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Aspen Mtn. Air reports $1 million loss serving Ruidoso

• Despite the losses, the airline intends to continue providing daily flights from Sierra Blanca Regional Airport to DFW and may expand service to include El Paso flights.

BY TONI K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The owners of the former Lone Star Airlines met last weekend with village leaders to let them know the Ruidoso air service was suffering tremendous losses.

And, "To see what we can do as an airline and as a community to make this work," said Patrick Imeson, vice chairman of Aspen Mountain Air, which bought Lone Star Airlines in November.

In June, Aspen Air lost about $180,000 in providing Ruidoso flights to the Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport, Imeson said Monday from his office in Aspen, Colo. He estimated total losses for the year at $1 million.

As of this weekend, the company officially changed the Ruidoso service's name from Lone Star to Aspen Mountain Air.

In response to the company's losses, the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce intends to increase promotion of the airline, which is integral to growth of the area's tourism and convention trade, an official said.

"One of the overviews from the meeting is that they are very committed to Ruidoso."

Joan Bailey,
Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce

"Not only is it another one of our best kept secrets, but there are a lot of residents here in Lincoln County who are confused about when it runs, and is it still going to run, and are they leaving," said Joan Bailey, chamber executive director.

The meeting, held Saturday at the Ruidoso Downs Race Track in the private box of track owner R.D. Hubbard, was to find out how the community may more effectively promote the airlines, Bailey said.

"And one of the overviews from the meeting is that they are very committed to Ruidoso," she said. "And they are one of the few airlines (in Ruidoso) that has not requested subsidy.

"But one thing they do need from us ... is some cooperation and any opportunity from the business community to help get the word out that we have this airline."

Promotional material about Aspen Air will be placed at area lodgings as well as the chamber, Bailey said. Another suggestion is to put up billboards advertising the air service on U.S. 70, she said. The target of the billboards would be the area's current 500,000 annual visitors, Bailey said.

Despite losses, the company for now intends to continue service to DFW from Ruidoso, and is evaluating whether to begin service to El Paso,

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▶ REVENUE

County seeks comment on tax cut plan

• A 20 percent increase in the taxable value of the county has prompted commissioners to call a special meeting.

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

It's time to cut property taxes, Lincoln County Commissioner Wilton Howell says.

He and Commission Chairman Monroy Montes want to eliminate one or two mills right away. If more money is needed to operate in the future, instead of turning to property tax, they say the county should consider a gross receipts tax they think is more equitable and will hit everyone who uses county roads and services.

In a 4-1 vote last week, Howell and Montes received approval to call a special hearing at 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 25, at the Ruidoso Convention Center to explain the proposal to the public.

Commissioner William Schwettmann voted against the meeting.

"I'm not against a tax cut, but I think we should find out more about the impact and go slow," Schwettmann said Monday. "I think we should consider providing more services, not less. We've cut the sheriff's budget to the bone and our streets need work."

Commissioner L. Ray Nunley was counted with those favoring the session, although after the meeting he said the commission should be cautious about tampering with the tax structure.

Howell said he met with officials from the Department of Finance and Administration's (DFA) local government division in early August to discuss lowering the county's tax rate in view of a 20 percent increase in the taxable value of the county from last

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Maiden's ceremony

Mescalero teen in rite of passage

Kawauney Beck, in buckskin dress, is counseled by medicine woman Zelda Yazza before starting a series of dashes (at right) around a ceremonial basket as part of her coming of age ceremony on the Mescalero Apache Reservation. See story and more photos on Page 1B.

Dianne Stallings/Ruidoso News

▶ COUNTY

Undersheriff Macsas says he'll resign

• The second in command is forced to step down because of health problems. Sheriff Tom Sullivan names Rick Virden to the post.

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Rick Virden will take over Saturday as second in command under Lincoln County Sheriff Tom Sullivan.

The former state police officer was selected by Sullivan to replace Cliff Macsas, 62, who has resigned as undersheriff because of health problems. His last day will be Friday.

"We've been talking about this for quite a while," Sullivan said of Macsas' resignation. "It's unfortunate that we have to lose him, but I'm sure Rick will be a good person in the job."

"It's unfortunate that we have to lose him, but I'm sure Rick (Virden) will be a good person in the job."

Tom Sullivan,
Sheriff

Sullivan got to know Virden in the 1980s when he was sheriff in Lincoln County and Virden was sheriff in neighboring Otero County.

"After our terms, I went into corrections and he went to the state police," Sullivan said. "I was impressed with him as a good sheriff. He has all of the administrative abilities I'm looking for. He knows budgeting, personnel and is a good investigator. He has the highest certification you can get from the New Mexico law enforcement academy.

"I really need someone who can run the department."

Macsas, who is facing an operation on his eye, will stay in touch as a consultant, Sullivan said.

But mostly Macsas will be trying to catch up his his hunting and fishing.

"I couldn't stay on with a clear conscious, because my night vision is shot," Macsas said. "I hate going, but the fellow who is taking my place is more than qualified. He's been an Alamogordo police officer, a two-term sheriff and a state police officer."

Macsas has served as undersheriff since Sullivan took office in January.

He previously worked with the Dallas Police Department for 30 years before retiring to Ruidoso to operate a restaurant in 1988.

Zia customers may see 8% decrease in monthly bills

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Ruidoso customers of Zia Natural Gas Co. will see an 8 percent decrease in their monthly bills if the New Mexico Public Utilities Commission follows the recommendation of a hearings examiner.

That would translate to a drop to $31.73 from $34.80 a month for the average customer who uses about 7,000 cubic feet of gas, said local Zia attorney Mercedez Fernandez-Wells.

In two other recommendations on other pending cases involving Zia, hearing examiners recommended that Zia be sanctioned for moving ahead without PUC approval by offering service to customers around Capitan and outside its approved zone.

The examiner wrote that the village of Capitan should continue to be billed under a preferential lower rate guaranteed under a 1992 agreement. However, he also recommended that Zia be allowed to serve customers from its transmission line around Capitan.

The commission is expected to issue its decision on the rate case Aug. 28. Until then Fernandez-Wells would only say Tuesday that her company has submitted its exceptions to the recommendation.

Zia filed for the increase in November 1996, requesting an overall hike of 30.7 percent to generate $2.84 million more in revenue and create uniform rates. That would have resulted in a 7.5 percent increase for

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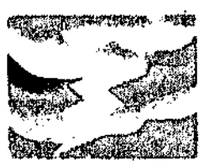

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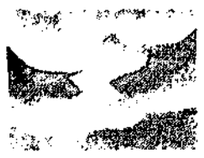

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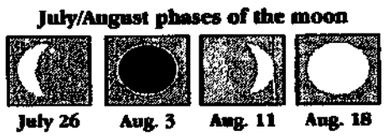
Ruidoso Readings	*High*	*Low*	*Precip.*
Friday	82	45	.91"
Saturday	81	46	.00"
Sunday	82	46	.00"
Monday	81	46	.04"

Regional-Wednesday	*High*	*Low*	*Forecast*
Albuquerque	89	61	Thunderstorms
El Paso, TX	91	70	Thunderstorms
Lubbock, TX	90	67	Thunderstorms
Midland, TX	92	68	Thunderstorms

Weather data courtesy of meteorologist Cam Moore KRIM-TV

July/August phases of the moon



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As summer enters its waning half, bright Vega passes almost straight overhead every clear evening after dark. To campers gazing up from their sleeping bags, Vega looks as if it could fall on them were it somehow to become detached from the sky.

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Above timberline in the White Mountains, many years ago.

L.C. SCRAPBOOK

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

Ruidoso News
Aug. 15, 1947

The second annual rodeo will be held at the Ancho Rodeo Arena on Highway 54 starting at 1 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 17. This rodeo is sponsored by the Ancho Ropers' Club. The admission will be $1.50 for adults and 25 cents for children.

Thomas Albert Crume, who has come to Ruidoso from Magdalena, will be the superintendent for the Ruidoso Grade School, Ruidoso-Stetson High School and the Stetson Grade School this coming year.

Mr. Frank Ivy, city marshal of Ruidoso, announces the opening of a Law Enforcement Officers Training School here Aug. 18-22. The Federal Bureau of Investigation is sponsoring this school and will provide much of the instruction.

The Aug. 18 issue of Life Magazine will have a four-page spread of Peter Hurd paintings.

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AIRLINE: Aspen Air says it's losing money serving Ruidoso area

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the West Coast feed to Ruidoso, Imeson said.

"We are still trying to figure out what the demand is for that service" he said.

Aspen Air hasn't set a deadline yet of when it needs to turn around losses before pulling its Ruidoso service, he said.

"Obviously, in cases where we are losing money we look at these kinds of things constantly," he added.

Aspen Air is the third company to offer flights from Sierra Blanca Regional Airport since the airport opened in 1988, said Airport Manager Tim Morris.

Mesa Airlines ran flights from Sierra Blanca Airport to Albuquerque for about six years, Morris said. Then the company, which was subsidized, lost business and eventually closed its Ruidoso service after a plane had an emergency landing on a county road, Morris said.

Lone Star Airlines moved in 1975, after about a year of no flight service at the airport, Morris said. For a while, Lone Star included El Paso in its flight schedule.

The company, though, experienced economic troubles, and sold to Aspen Air after 2.5 years of operation in Ruidoso. Morris attributed the company's downturn to the lack of snow in recent winters and subsequently a lack of winter passengers

Including its purchase of Lone Star, Aspen Air has spent $6 million providing daily flights from Sierra Blanca to DFW, Imeson said. The flights stop over in Roswell.

"And we will probably be at $12 million before we are done," Imeson said of the company's investment to provide Ruidoso service.

Though about 1,000 people purchased Ruidoso tickets in June, the company needed about 1,700 passengers to make a profit, he said. The average one-way flight from Ruidoso to DFW costs $100.

Bailey said other options to increase the airline's profitability are also being discussed, as well as the importance of getting flight service from El Paso.

"Because whether you are a conventioneer or you are coming up here for a weekend get away, time is of the essence," Bailey said. The time factor in travel is increasingly gaining importance as more and more people take "micro vacations," Bailey said.

"So, any time that we can appropriately design a resort destination such as the Ruidoso area and make it so that it is so easy to get here," he said. "And actually time has become, if not more so, as important a factor as money. If you can get them here as easily as possible ... then we've got 'em."

Aspen Air, which has been in business for 2.5 years, offers flights to 22 cities in seven states. Its operations are based in Dallas and its corporate headquarters are in Aspen.

TAXES: Commissioners propose lower property rate

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year to $406 million.

"The meeting called is not just for discussion," he said Monday. "It's something we need to do. This is our best and last chance this year to reduce taxes. It must be done by Sept. 1 or our previous millage rate is locked in for another year.

"We've demonstrated our ability to hold the line on the budget for the last five years. We could reduce the property tax by one or two mills without even talking about a substitute tax and without affecting services delivered today."

But if a substitute tax is needed, the commission could come close to eliminating all of its property tax by imposing a three-eighths of a cent sales tax, Howell said.

According to an estimate by DFA's Don Waddell, a one-eighth of a cent gross receipts tax would have generated $315,000 in 1995-96 based on the countywide collection of $252 million. Figures for 1996-97 won't be available until January, he said.

The county operates on 7.633 mills. In 1996, each mill generated about $340,000 in tax revenue. This year, that figure would be closer to $400,000, because of a 20 percent increase in taxable property values. One mill equals $1 for each $1,000 of taxable property value. In New Mexico, property is taxed at one-third of its market value.

If commissioners turned to a gross receipts tax, the first eighth of a cent designated for the general fund could be imposed by the commission, but would be subject to a referendum if someone gathered the signatures of 5 percent of the registered voters in the county calling for an election, Howell said.

The second eighth, by law restricted to medical indigency costs, could be levied by the commission without appeal, Waddell said. The third eighth, half for the general fund and half indigency, requires an election, he said.

"So you can see the process will reflect the pulse of the voters," Howell said.

The only gross receipt tax collected by the county now is a one-sixteenth of a cent sent to the LIncoln County Solid Waste Authority as collateral to ensure a regional landfill construction debt is paid.

The village of Taos in northern New Mexico is similar to Ruidoso with a large tourist and seasonal population. Officials there use gross receipt tax to pay village debts, keeping property taxes low, Howell said.

If the commission levied a gross receipts tax it would be charged against sales and services within the county's five municipalities, state Taxation and Revenue Department officials said.

That means the county would benefit directly from sales at the new Wal-Mart Super Store set to open in Ruidoso Downs.

The village of Ruidoso's gross receipts tax is nearly 7 cents on the dollar, the highest in the state.

Schwettmann said Ruidoso residents may not want to see any more gross receipts taxes, even if the county property tax rate went down.

"I just don't like doing things this fast," he said of Howell's push for quick action. "Good ideas need to be studied. To shoot from the hip just because it's politically expedient doesn't make sense. I don't think anyone on the commission realizes the impact of cutting property taxes and imposing sales taxes."

Howell said: "We're not trying to gouge tourists, but this is a truer way of putting in place a user's fee. According to the people in Santa Fe, 60 percent of the sales tax paid in Lincoln County is paid by non-residents.

"They put a strain on our services. People are always complaining that renters don't pay their share, but can vote on bond issues and other obligations. This way, they pay too. People receiving the services will pay the ticket."

Lincoln County has the lowest sales tax in the state and would remain the lowest even if the full three-eights of a cent was imposed, Howell said.

"The main purpose is to have a more equitable way for the county to pay its bills and to fuel the county," he said. "We're just changing fuels and reducing the consumption."

If the property tax levy isn't lowered, the county will be falling into the bureaucrat's way of thinking: more money means more programs and more employees," Howell said. "But I believe if the tax is beyond what we need for basic government, you're doing taxpayers a disservice."

School buses continue to roll in Capitan

Though one Capitan bus was put out of commission last week after overturning on the first day of school, children along the route are still riding the bus, said the school's bus contractor Monday.

Frank Silva, owner Capitan Transportation, said a spare bus was being used for the route behind the Capitan Mountains where a driver Thursday swerved to miss a deer and ended up rolling the bus onto its side, then onto its top and over to the other side.

Initial estimates by insurance adjusters totaled the school bus because its frame curved to the right as a result of the accident, Silva said.

Neither the driver nor the one high school student in the bus were seriously injured in the accident. Silva said the bus was traveling about 40 mph on a paved road before the accident, based on police calculations.

The driver of the bus, Keith Foreman, was not ticketed by police, Silva said.

The one high school student in the bus at the time suffered a broken collarbone and Foremen had a cut on his elbow.

Foreman, a bus driver for almost two years, had just started the route on State Road 246. Normally, about 30 students are picked up along the route, a school official said earlier.

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County opposes BLM plan to swap for land along Rio Bonito

By Dianne Stallings
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Lincoln County commissioners don't want to see the Bureau of Land Management acquire any more property in the county until agency officials satisfy conditions agreed to three years ago during a previous swap.

They voted Tuesday to oppose BLM's acquisition of a fifth parcel along the Rio Bonito near the historic settlement Lincoln until a resource management plan is in place and all survey disputes have been resolved.

"My understanding from PLUAC (Lincoln County Public Lands Use Advisory Council) was they did not have a problem with the land exchange itself, but they didn't want it completed until (the two conditions had been met)," District Manager Ed Roberson said from his office in Roswell Wednesday. "I don't want to do anything to upset the commission, I'll check to be sure they don't mean for us to stop working on it, just not to complete a swap."

The management plan for the district that includes Lincoln County should be published this fall, he said. And the agency is reviewing all of the survey lines connected to the previous four tracts acquired in swaps three years ago.

Commissioner Rex Wilson and PLUAC member and former Commissioner Stirling Spencer said errors in the survey used in the acquisition of the first four tracts have affected other private land owners adjoining them.

Two boundary disputes, one involving a lawsuit against the BLM, already have been settled, Roberson said. But commissioners are concerned that other boundary problems exist.

To ensure that all disputes are settled, agency officials have started reviewing survey lines at the first and westernmost tract acquired, near Government Springs, Roberson said.

"We're working our way down from that tract identifying problems," Roberson said. "We will try to resolve any we find individually with land owners. I don't see why that should hold up work on this swap."

In the previous swap, the BLM gained about 1,020 acres along the river near Lincoln and swapped isolated and difficult to manage tracts around the state. Plans for the land include low impact recreation.

This time, the same principals, Ron Greene and Max Kiehne, under the name of Bonito Land and Livestock Inc., are proposing to swap a fifth tract of 178.97 surface acres and 110.3 acres of water rights. In exchange, they have identified several BLM tracts within the county they would like to own.

"They gave us a list of land they want in return and our team has to review those to see if they are marked for disposal and if not, are they suitable for disposal or should we retain them," Roberson said. "I would like to proceed with that. They're calling the exchange the Los Chosas exchange, because apparently there was an old settlement there by that name."

The fifth tract is situated just east of the Lincoln historic district, where the river goes under road, he said.

The swap procedure contains opportunity for protests, he pointed out.

"It's not a done deal," he said. "There is a process we must go through."

Once he receives a copy of the resolution passed by the County Commission opposing the swap, he will show it to new BLM state Director Michelle Chavez of Albuquerque, and talk to the county manager, he said.

Although a memorandum of understanding drafted during long discussions between the county and the BLM three years ago has never been signed by the BLM, the agency is abiding by its terms with an emphasis on cooperation with county officials, Roberson said.

Zia: 8 percent decrease recommended in gas rates

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Zia's 6,000 customers in the combined area of Lincoln County and Jal. The major thrust of the increase would have occurred in Hobbs.

State case coordinator Steve Schwebke pointed out that under Zia's proposal the rate for gas would have decreased from $1.96 per million cubic feet to $1.77 in Ruidoso, but other factors such as the projected cost of gas Zia must purchase, would have resulted in the increase on customer bills.

"They wanted to make uniform rates, but we would be paying for upgrades in Hobbs," said J. Robert Beauvais, Capitan village attorney. "The PUC (examiner) said uniform rates were all right, but instead of a modest rate increase, a decrease is being recommended.

"They wanted an astronomical increase from the (Capitan-Carrizozo municipal system, which buys its gas from Zia). We estimated to pay both the transportation cost for the gas and part of the distribution cost they were asking for would have had a fiscal impact of $250,000. Instead, the PUC left the village's preferential rate in place with no new dollars coming from Capitan or Carrizozo."

In a related case, Zia contended that when the Capitan-Carrizozo Gas Association was dissolved and the assets were returned to the two incorporators - the villages – the entities lost the right to claim a lower preferential rate to buy gas. Zia officials said the special 1992 rate agreement between Zia and the association couldn't be assigned to another party.

The agreement was part the sale of a transmission line by the association to Zia.

"The PUC said it's going to let the court decide whether a breach of contract occurred, but for the state's purposes, (the hearing examiner is recommending) dismissing Zia's claim," Beauvais said.

"That was a critical case for the two towns, because Zia was asking that if we didn't sign a new transportation contracts and agree to pay them their regular (and higher rate), that they be allowed to turn off gas to two towns. The PUC said they don't have that ability."

The third case was based on several consolidated separate actions, he said. The two villages contended Zia exceeded its authority by contacting customers in Capitan without a franchise and laying line outside the town without PUC approval. Zia argued that the area was contiguous to its territory. The PUC agreed that most of the customers were seeking service, but the examiner recommended minimum sanctions against the gas company for four violations at $100 each.

The elements in that case probably will jump now to state or federal court where the two sides can litigate their stances, Beauvais said, adding that the two villages also will be suing Zia for unfair trade practices.

An Open Letter to the Public

Nor-Lea General Hospital
Tatum Clinic
Lovington Clinic

Dr. Ray Seidel
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RE: Hospital management contract

Dear Dr. Seidel,

I was recently reviewing a news article concerning the management contract for Lincoln County Medical Center, written by Dianne Stallings, and I concur with your perception for improvement of the management of the facility. I am currently the CEO/administrator of the 28-bed Nor-Lea General Hospital in Lovington, New Mexico, which at one time was managed by Presbyterian HealthCare Systems in Albuquerque. Currently, we are utilizing a management agreement from Lubbock Methodist Hospital System which emphasis local control of the facility, coordination between medical staff, board, and hospital employees.

Similarly, Presbyterian HealthCare is credited for contribution to the re-opening and creation of the hospital district for Nor-Lea General Hospital in 1978. Financially, the period of history that Nor-Lea General Hospital was under control of Presbyterian was disastrous, to say the least. In the beginning of the Presbyterian era and operational control from Albuquerque, Nor-Lea General Hospital performed satisfactorily, but operations were never in the black nor was there any teamwork between the board, medical staff, or employees, and evidently Nor-Lea became in debt to Presbyterian for $1.4 million. During the renewal period of the Presbyterian contract in 1994, the Board of Directors of Nor-Lea General Hospital elected to change management companies from Presbyterian to Lubbock Methodist Hospital System.

The management contract of Lubbock Methodist Hospital System is a local controlled arrangement with the local Board retaining all of the operational authority. Additionally, the only management fee charged to Nor-Lea General Hospital is the administrator's salary and benefits. In contrast, most of the Presbyterian management contracts are not of this same type of arrangement. Additionally, since the management contract has change from Presbyterian HealthCare to Lubbock Methodist Hospital System, Nor-Lea General Hospital has performed very well with a financial turn-around from a loss of $637,213 in fiscal year 1994 to a profit of $888,308 in fiscal year 1995, and a projected profit of $1,558, 625 for fiscal year 1996 (see attached). Additionally, we will pay the debt to Presbyterian, $1.4 million, back in a 40 month period while increasing our savings from $100,000 to over $1,000,000.

The success of Nor-Lea is not solely accountable to only Methodist Regional Services operating philosophy, but to a combination of several ingredients that are merged for a successful operation. The teamwork between Methodist Regional Services, the medical staff, board of directors, support of the local community, and the hospital employees are all ingredients that contribute to our success.

I concur with your thoughts on obtaining varies proposals from different management companies in order to ensure that the best possible company is selected to manage Lincoln County Medical Center. After all, this is why Portales is attempting to separate from Presbyterian, some of the physicians in Artesia are unhappy with Presbyterian, and the Hospital in T or C which is managed by Presbyterian is in turmoil. Many times people who work in health care, especially in management, really lose sight of why we are in the health care industry, and there is truly only one reason for health care which is patient care. Without quality and applicable health care services for patient care and managed in the most effective and efficient manner, there is no reason for our existence.

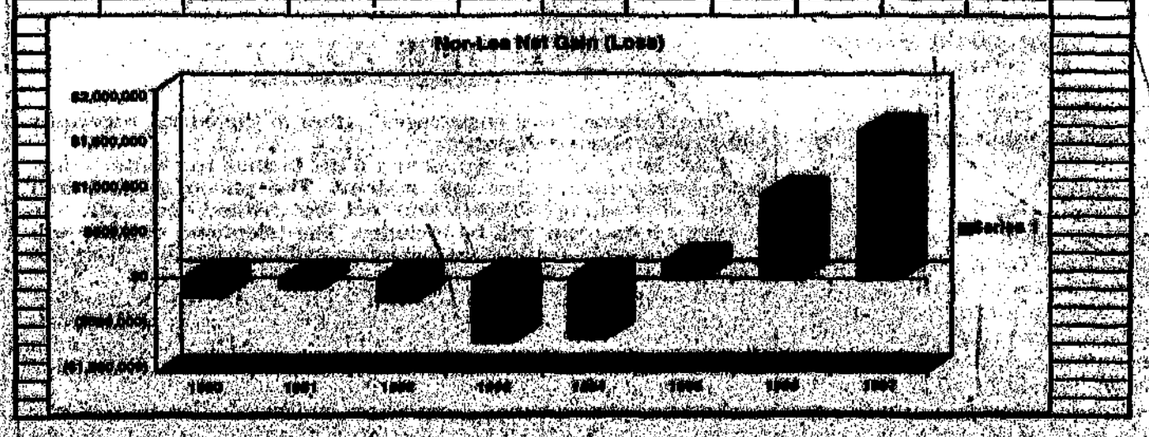
Please feel free to contact me if I can contribute in any manner to the important issues that will affect the overall health care in the community for many years.

Sincerely,

David R. Jordan, Ph.D.
CEO/Administrator

Nor-Lea General Hospital
Net Gain (Loss)

Fiscal Year	Dollar Amount	Management Co.
1990	($151,221)	(Audited) PHS
1991	($101,249)	(Audited) PHS
1992	($295,151)	(Audited) PHS
1993	($637,975)	(Audited) PHS
1994	($637,213)	(Audited) PHS
1995	$169,588	(Audited) Methodist Hospital System
1996	$888,308	(Audited) Methodist Hospital System
1997	$1,558,625	(Projected) Methodist Hospital System



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OUR OPINION

The good news, maybe

Whether it has real impact on your yearly income or not, it's always nice to hear that a decline in taxes is in the works — a cut in the capital gains tax at the federal level, and a nibble off the total property tax bill for Ruidoso property owners.

Yes ... capital gains taxes and property taxes are of more interest to the haves than to the have-nots. This go-round in federal tax-cutting, the experts say, is much more beneficial to middle- and upper-income people (people who have money invested) than to anyone else.

Our village's property tax rate cut, of course, affects only those who own property — and it might not be a reduction when the state, county, school and hospital levies are taken into account. Fact is, the portion of village residents' property tax payable is only about one-third of the total.

And it's doubtful any sort of reduction would have been considered by the village had not last year's reappraisal of property values sent revenues through the mandated permissible ceiling. So here's a case where property owners can thank their lawmakers in Santa Fe for writing some protection into the statutes. Under the state's yield control law, a taxing unit is limited to no more than a 5 percent increase in tax revenues resulting from higher appraisals.

Many Ruidoso property owners saw huge jumps in appraisals the last time around, some in the triple digits.

So what does it mean in the real world?

Simply this: If all the other entities that nibble from the property tax pie follow Ruidoso's lead and adjust their rates (as the law requires), in real terms no property taxpayer in Lincoln County should have an increase in their basic property tax rates of more than 5 percent.

... But (and there are always buts in dealing with government) there will be no decline in those portions of the total tax the voters have approved in advance for bonded indebtedness. The 5 percent limit is on the base rate resulting from property appraisal, nothing else.

The proverbial bottom line seems to be this: Hang onto that tax refund you get on capital gains. You might need it to pay the rest of your reduced property tax.

Rain's other impact

Take a close look at some of the details in last Friday's published update on Ruidoso construction projects:

Ruidoso's water storage capacity has been increased substantially.

A major upgrade in sewage handling was in place with the replacement of old sewer lines along Sudderth and Carrizo Canyon Road.

A new public library, more than twice the size of the old one, is about 30 percent finished, and is due completion in December — although it's behind schedule now.

The addition to Village Hall looks complete on the outside, but has months to go.

An addition to the Convention Center was completed last January; the White Mountain Recreation Complex in April.

But despite all that success, it's hard to get Mother Nature to cooperate all the time.

Two-inch water lines have been replaced throughout the Country Club Estates with 6-inch pipe, providing for more water pressure, but because of that work the roads have been torn up for months, thanks largely to all that wonderful rain this summer.

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THE DREAMER

Celebrating a brand new porch

A while back Charles Senning called me up and invited me to what he called "a porch party," a little gathering to celebrate the completion of a new porch, constructed by Frank Crawley, on Charles' home out on Cedar Creek.

Frank took me out to the celebration, and soon I learned that this day, Aug. 14, was his birthday and also the 34th anniversary of the surrender of the Japanese, ending World War II.

Thirty or 40 folks admired the porch, which was certainly a work of construction art, overlooking the pine trees extending up and down Cedar Creek. All of us enjoyed the great feast cooked by Charles himself.

At the celebration, I was pleased to make the acquaintance of Leon Armstrong and his wife, Patty, of McAllen, Texas, who were celebrating their 42nd wedding anniversary on this day. They were married Aug. 14, 1955, in Donna, Texas. They have a home in the pines just across the road from Charles.

BY DAN STORM
COLUMNIST

About Frank Crawley

Frank was born Aug. 14, 1933, in Shawnee, Okla., to Frank Crawley and the former Jacquelyn Cowan. He was graduated from high school at Oklahoma Military Academy and then attended Oklahoma State University on a football scholarship. Then he served in the Army's 82nd Airborne Division from 1953 to 1955, during the Korean conflict.

After two years in the oil fields of Louisiana, he came home and was graduated from Oklahoma Baptist University.

A building artist

Somewhere along the line, Frank picked up the art of building. On second thought, he was perhaps born with this gift. He supervised the building of the bell tower at St. Anne's Chapel in Glencoe, and the stone steps at the back door of the parish hall at the Church of the Holy Mount.

We wish Frank Crawley many happy returns of the day and all God's blessings.

And all congratulations and blessings to Leon and Patty Armstrong on the occasion of their anniversary.

Also thanks for Charles Senning for inviting us to share in the joy of his new front porch.

Services for Joe Gutierrez

Funeral services were held Aug. 15 at St. Jude's Catholic Church and the Hondo Cemetery for Joe G. Gutierrez, who was called home by our Lord on Aug. 13.

Dolores Rue read from the Book of Revelation:

"And she brought forth a man child who was to rule all nations..."

Juan Montoya read from the First epistle of the Apostle Paul to the Corinthians: "But now is Christ risen from the dead."

Father Coleman Heffern read from the Gospel according to St. Luke: "And Mary said, my soul doth magnify the Lord."

Pallbearers were Joseph, Jerry and Robert Gutierrez, Jimmy Chaves, Gene Gutierrez and Gilbert Salas. Honorary pallbearers were grandchildren, and Valerie Nunes.

Special music was by members of the church choir, Bob Richardson, Jose Almager, Henry Silva, Beatrice Silva and Juan Montoya.

Members sang in the church: *Buenas Dias, paloma blanca* (Good morning, white dove); *Te ofresco, senor, mi vida* (I offer you, Lord, my life); *Por los ninos* (For the children); and *Que los angeles del cielo, te encuentran* (May the angels of heaven meet you).

At the graveside the following were sung: Amazing Grace; *Pueblo Que Me Vio nacer* (City of My Birth); *Un Dia a la Vez* (One Day at a Time); and *Bendito, bendito* (Blessed, blessed).

Father Heffern prayed, "Welcome, oh Lord, our brother Jose to the heavenly table of thy children."

Joe Gutierrez was a member of a pioneer Lincoln County family. We rejoice that our dear friend is safe and happy with our Lord in Heaven.

YOUR OPINION

Love helps smooth out all the rough spots

To the editor:

I love the people of Ruidoso and Capitan.

So many have helped me through some rough spots in the road. For all those special people, and especially my co-workers at Home Health Services of Lincoln County, I wrote the following poem:

Empowerment

Frustration ... Resignation ... Anger ... Resentment ... Sadness ... Helplessness ... ALONE. Somehow this becomes my world.

From out of nowhere
You quietly and gently stepped in.
Once again I was free
To see the sunshine,
Smell the flowers,
Hear and feel the I-love-yous.
Thank you, most of all, for being there
When I couldn't even think to ask.
You heard my unspoken NO
And let it be okay.
Unknowingly, you allowed my gifts to people
To flow freely once again.

Linda Parks, R.N.
Ruidoso

The Torch Run a victory for all of Ruidoso

We have recently completed the annual Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics in Lincoln County. ... I would like to commend the residents and businesses of our beautiful county. A tremendous thank you for our community's assistance in this very worthwhile fund-raising effort.

This year, as coordinator for the Lincoln County Torch Run, I established a very lofty goal of $10,000 for our fund raising. Through the efforts of ... volunteers and the generosity of our community, we achieved that goal. This money will allow our local Special Olympics program to assist even more "special athletes" in the coming year.

Because of the attention that has been drawn to our community, New Mexico Special Olympics is bringing the state basketball tournament to Ruidoso beginning in November. This competition will bring several hundred athletes and coaches to our community for 2-3 days. This should prove ... beneficial to the merchants of Ruidoso. To ensure a successful tournament, a large pool of volunteers is imperative. These volunteers will be doing a number of tasks to assist in making these games a pleasant memory for our special athletes. (Those wishing) to volunteer may contact Melanie Kotila, the Lincoln County coordinator for special Olympics. She may be reached through the Special Education program at Ruidoso High School.

Our community has the focus of the entire (state) program this year. Lincoln County has raised more money this year than all but one community (Rio Rancho) in the state. This makes the people of Lincoln County very proud.

I would challenge you to keep up the good deeds, contributions and thoughts that you have expressed. This allows us to continue assisting those athletes with mental disabilities. (Those with) questions, or who would like to contribute, may contact me at the Ruidoso Police Department, 257-7365.

Bill Feineken
Ruidoso

LETTERS POLICY

The *Ruidoso News* encourages letters to the editor, especially about local topics and issues.

Each letter must be signed and must include the writer's daytime telephone number and address. The phone number and street or mailing address will not be printed; however, the author's hometown will be included. The telephone number will be used to verify authorship. No letter will be printed without the writer's name.

Letters should be 500 words or less in length, be of public interest and must avoid name-calling and libelous language. The *Ruidoso News* reserves the right to edit letters, so long as viewpoints are not altered. Shorter letters are preferred and generally receive greater readership.

Letters may be hand-delivered to the *News* office at 104 Park Avenue or mailed to P.O. Box 128, Ruidoso, NM 88345, attention of the editor.

The *News* reserves the right to reject any letter.

LCMC administrator responds to hospital criticisms

In the recent months there have been various statements regarding Lincoln County Medical Center. Below is a statement of the facts surrounding these issues. All statements ... can be independently verified if so desired.

By Valerie A. Miller
LCMC Administrator

Community Input: Every three years LCMC has developed a strategic plan with members of the community serving on the planning committee representative of the various areas of the county. In addition, patient satisfaction surveys and a county-wide health needs assessment have been conducted by independent survey firms. The results of these surveys have been incorporated into the hospital's plan. The board is currently assembling a community group to update the existing strategic plan. Furthermore, the date, time and place of the hospital board meeting is published in both the Ruidoso News and the Lincoln County News monthly. Never, in 7 1/2 years, has a resident of the county appeared at these meetings.

It should be noted that the hospital board consists of the following members: Tom Bathan, CEO, Ruidoso State Bank, Ruidoso; Dr. Roger Beechie, physician, Ruidoso Downs; Evelyn Bizzle, auxiliary president, Ruidoso; James Fennimore, physician and President, Medical Staff, Alto; John Haines, retired business executive, Alto; Greg Haueslee, conservationist, Capitan; Gary Hightower, rancher, Ancho; Nellie Ruth Jones, retired teacher, Ruidoso Downs; Dorothy King, investment counselor, Ruidoso; Gary Mitchell, attorney, Glencoe; Sonny Sanchez, self-employed, San Patricio; Dr. Don Wolfel, physician, Alto; W. C. "Dub" Williams, retired teacher, state representative, Glencoe.

One can hardly believe that the people listed above are "powerless" and a review of the hospital by-laws shows dissolution of the board by the Hospital Administration is not possible. As is evident, this is a well-qualified board which represents much of Lincoln County. As a point of information, the administrator reports to the LCMC board who has the power to hire and fire that individual.

Listening and responding to concerns is the "golden rule" at LCMC. However, one cannot respond to concerns that are not voiced to those who can effect change. LCMC has received a 98% satisfaction rating from both inpatients and outpatients over the last six months, and it is hard to believe that an organization which does not listen to ... customers could score so high.

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Physicians: The tenure of the physicians currently practicing in Ruidoso (averages) 7.69 years and their number has increased 43 percent since 1990. When calculated to include the tenure of one physician with over 35 years in practice, the (average) increases to 9.64 years. The national and New Mexico average for tenure of physicians in small rural communities is two years. Four communities have lost physicians with less than one year of tenure in the last fiscal year. The current visiting specialist panel has physicians from Lubbock, El Paso, Las Cruces, Alamogordo as well as Albuquerque, and has increased 64 percent since 1990. Referrals are the prerogative of individual patients and their physicians and it is considered illegal for a hospital of health care system to dictate those referrals. The law permitting the corporate practice of medicine in New Mexico expressly forbids a corporation from telling a physician how to practice medicine.

Physical therapy: Two physical therapists have left LCMC in the last five years, ... one to return home as her work visa had expired, and one to work at a competing facility which required breaking their employment contract with their employer, who has a contract with LCMC to provide physical therapy services. This same therapist returned to LCMC, and the contract employer for five months, after which he relocated to Idaho. The therapies associated with the equipment in the (July 2) letter to the editor always were available to LCMC. In order to support other local businesses this equipment was located to the Ruidoso Athletic Club with which LCMC has a contract. It was finally deemed necessary to bring those modalities in-house and the LCMC Auxiliary acquired the equipment for the department. The move in-house required the dislocation of other services due to lack of available space and was postponed as long as feasible.

Emergency department: The decision to use physician assistants and nurse practitioners (mid-level providers) in the Emergency Department was made before the current administration. Most rural hospitals have moved to or are in the process of changing their E.D. staffing to mid-level providers as the decline in reimbursement to small hospitals no longer makes M. D./D.O. staffing affordable. The procedure of physicians taking calls as a backup for their specialty in the Emergency Department, in both large and small hospitals, is a common practice and is the same whether the E.D. is staffed by a physician or a mid-level provider.

Ruidoso Emergency Medical Service (REMS): REMS is owned by the Village of Ruidoso and is managed by LCMC. The request and subsequent decision to make REMS cover Alto was made by the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners. Readers may be interested to note that REMS won the 1997 Systems Excellence Award for New Mexico, in which ... over 300 emergency medical services ... compete for this recognition.

Lastly, without specific concerns that we can address, the employees, who work tirelessly for the residents and visitors in Lincoln County, are struggling with "what is it people want of us?" We ask ourselves this in light of being:

Named to the Top 100 Benchmark Hospitals; scoring 99 out of 100 on our recent hospital accreditation survey; the naming Suzanne Leland as Nurse Manager of the Year for Presbyterian Healthcare Services; REMS earning the ... Systems Excellence Award; and patient satisfaction scoring 96 percent. If there are concerns that would be communicated to us they certainly would be addressed..

We have remained silent during discussion of all the recent issues in an attempt to not blow this matter into a county-wide divisive issue, but the continued impressions of some county residents have warranted a statement of the facts.

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Q My grandmother has medicare and the doctor has recommended she start physical therapy. Does medicare pay for this?

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A It depends on what coverage from medicare she has. In order to pay for physical therapy at a clinic in independent practice, like mine, she needs to have PART B, then medicare will pay 80% of the approved fee. The other 20% is then her responsibility, which is covered by the supplemental insurance if she has it. Congress has placed a maximum of $900.00 per calendar year for out patient physical therapy. I accept assignment from medicare.

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Consultant will help with public art venues

• Questions about whether freedom of expression would be limited under a set of proposed guidelines has prompted the commission to toss the rules and ask for a consultant.

BY TONI K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Members of the Ruidoso Arts Commission want to bring in a former state director to draft guidelines on how art works may be displayed in village buildings.

Bruce Eldredge, chair of the seven-member commission, said Laura Morrow has agreed to help the commission develop a simple process that would open up public buildings to displays of local artists' works. Morrow resigned early this year as the director of New Mexico Arts, the state division that oversees development of the arts.

If the Ruidoso Village Council approves the estimated $1,200 cost to hire Morrow, then she would be available to work with the commission in the next few months and new guidelines could be approved by December, Eldredge said.

The commission had one draft of proposed guidelines, but tossed it out last week after a public hearing on the issue.

"I guess if we had not had some of the comments we had at the public hearing on the cumbersomeness of the process, then we would have gone with it," Eldredge said.

At least two artists attending the hearing as well as several commission members voiced concerns about the draft — specifically about the selection process. Questions targeted what standards would be applied, who would apply them and whether they would stifle the artists' freedom of expression.

Most of the dozen or so people attending the meeting were managers of village buildings, potentially venues for local artists' works. They questioned what control they would have over the art selected for their buildings, where it would be placed and what their responsibilities would be once the art had been installed.

Tammie Maddox, director of the Ruidoso Convention Center as well as Ruidoso village clerk, asked what if a group that was renting space in the center was "absolutely offended" by a piece of art and insisted that it be removed. "What do we do?" she asked.

Eldredge said the commission is hoping to research how other places around the country allow art displays in public buildings.

Commission members also questioned parts of the proposed draft.

"What I'm concerned about is that the selection process itself will become too confusing," said Commissioner Stan Monks.

Eldredge said the commission also announced last week that it would be receiving a $4,000 grant from New Mexico Arts. The commission had requested $10,000 from the state's art division.

Most of the state grant will be used to coordinate a calendar of artistic events in the county, Eldredge said. It will augment the salary of an employee at the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce to track events.

Garage sale

Toni K. Laxson/Ruidoso News

Buyers look for bargains Saturday at the 6th Annual Lincoln County Humane Society Garage Sale sponsored by The Ruidoso News. Generous donors, dedicated volunteers and eager buyers combined with ample space at Eastern New Mexico University's warehouse, for the most successful fund raiser of the society's history with more than $5,000 in sales and donations.

Merchants praise post office after UPS strike ends

BY TONI K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Several Ruidoso businesses Tuesday afternoon received calls from the Alamogordo United Parcel Service office informing them that regular pickup and delivery service would resume today.

Ann Bolton, owner of J. Reynolds clothing store, said that although she is happy the UPS strike is over, she is surprised at how smoothly her business was able to manage using other carriers, including the U.S. Postal Service.

"The post office — what was nice is they delivered to us, even on Sundays," Bolton said. During the strike her store had only three UPS deliveries.

Ruidoso Postmaster John Quemada said his clerks, carriers and a contract carrier worked long hours during the strike to handle a 100-percent increase in the number of packages being sent parcel post.

To handle the additional traffic, carriers delivered packages to the midtown shopping district on Sundays, he said.

"It's continued like that even through today — and probably through the end of the week — because of the parcels in the system that will need to work their way through," Quemada said.

Quemada said he and his staff welcomed the increased load from the strike as a way to dispel negative public impressions about the post office.

"I think the employees and myself felt like this was an opportunity for the post office to shine," he said.

Quemada praised one clerk in particular, Rick Rel, who offered to come in at 4 a.m. every morning, instead of his usual time of 4:30 a.m., to sort through packages.

Tina Beechie, a manager at Imports Etc., said the worst effect of the UPS strike was that people assumed the store couldn't ship larger purchases. However, the store had been using bus service to ship larger items and another carrier for smaller packages, she said.

Bolton said her store does have some merchandise sitting in a warehouse because of the strike, but her only significant problem was in filling orders for one particular line which only used UPS shipping.

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RUIDOSO POLICE

Burglar taking $2,500 seen going out window

A woman saw someone climbing out the window of her condominium at about 9:30 p.m. Friday and then realized $2,500 in large bills had been taken from the top of the bedroom dresser, Ruidoso police said.

Carol C. McArthur said she heard a noise in a back bedroom at her condominium at Pinecliff Village, 401 U.S. Highway 70, and went back to investigate, police said. She saw someone climbing out the window, but could not tell whether it was a man or a woman or what the burglar had been wearing.

The burglar apparently entered the bedroom through an unlocked window.

Cellular phone stolen

A Capitan woman went into a Ruidoso convenience store last week and came out to find her $300 cellular telephone had been stolen from her car, Ruidoso police said.

Becca Swanson told police the theft occurred Tuesday, Aug. 12, when she was parked at the Allsup's store parking lot at 311 Sudderth Drive. While she was in the store, someone reached into her car and took the phone.

Jewelry theft from midtown store

Someone stole a squash blossom necklace from The Emerald Isle store sometime in the past month, Ruidoso police said.

Darlene Stabaugh told police the missing necklace is made of silver, coral and amethyst and valued at $1,248. It had been on the top of a display case in the store, 2610 Sudderth Drive. The last time it was seen by store personnel was July 19. The theft was reported Thursday, Aug 14.

Pot-bellied stove taken

A burglar or burglars broke into the vacation home of a Tucson woman sometime between Aug. 2 and Thursday, Aug. 14, and took out a pot-bellied stove, Ruidoso police said.

Mary Harrison told police she arrived at her home in the 500 block of Second Street to find the antique stove missing and ashes spilled all over the floor. The burglar or burglars apparently came in through the back door and went out the same way with the stove, judging by the trail of ashes, police said. Nothing else in the home appeared to be missing or had been disturbed, police said.

The wood-burning stove is valued at $675.

Cigarettes taken from Carrizozo grocery store

Thieves used a cement block early Thursday to break into Sturges Market in Carrizozo and make off with several cartons of cigarettes.

After breaking the front glass door at the store on Central Avenue, they left with cartons of Marlboro and Marlboro Lights cigarettes, said Carrizozo Police Chief Duane Vinson.

One person probably was stationed outside as a lookout and the other took the cigarettes, he said. But heavy rain Wednesday night and Thursday morning wiped out footprints that could have indicated whether the thieves fled on foot or in a car.

Tasty subject

Toni K. Laxon/Ruidoso News

Katy Bowen shows off one of 17 entries Saturday in the All American Pie Bake Off. A panel of three judges determined a blueberry-apple pie by Lisa Rogers of Ruidoso as the first place winner. The event was sponsored by Zia Natural Gas Co., where Bowen is public relations director.

Grant gives art events exposure

• A $4,000 state grant will pay for an employee to track artists and artistic events.

BY TONI K. LAXON
RUIDOSO NEW STAFF WRITER

The Ruidoso Arts Commission, formerly the Arts and Film Board, recently announced it will receive a $4,000 state grant, most of which will be used to coordinate a calendar of art activities in Lincoln County.

Commission Chair Bruce Eldredge said Monday the much of the money from the New Mexico Arts Division will be used to pay an employee at the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce to track artists and artistic events.

The commission, through the work of member Herb Brunnell, has already created a directory of more than 200 artists in Lincoln County.

The commission requested $10,000 from the state's art division this spring. Eldredge said even though the commission didn't receive all it requested, it was fortunate to have the $4,000, given the number of grant requests throughout the state for artistic endeavors.

Besides the calendar, some of the grant will be spent supporting the Lincoln County Arts Commission, already in the process of forming under the coordination of Capitan artist Virginia Watson-Jones, Eldredge said.

Information gathered for a calendar of artistic events will be provided to the Ruidoso News for publication in its Friday arts and entertainment section called Vamonos, which now carries a listing of local events, Eldredge said.

DEATHS FUNERALS

Peter Rixon of Ruidoso died Thursday, Aug. 14, at his home. He was 63.

Mr. Rixon was born Nov. 3, 1933, in Auckland, New Zealand. He moved to Ruidoso five years ago from California. He was a real estate agent and antiques dealer.

Services were held 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 17, at Gateway Church of Christ. Jimmy Sportsman officiated.

Survivors include his fiancee, Catherine Smith of Ruidoso and Ardmore, Okla.; daughters Donna Maree Holm Rixon, Elizabeth Antonio Rixon and Diana Holm Rixon, all of Auckland, New Zealand, and Careline Holm Rixon or Ruidoso; son John Russell of Los Angeles; five brothers and seven grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a son, Mark Rixon.

The family requested memorials to the American Cancer Society.

Arrangements were handled by LaGrone Funeral Chapel of Ruidoso.

Deputies' proposal nixed by County Commission

For the second time, Lincoln County Commissioners have rejected a contract proposed by the local sheriff's deputies union.

After an executive session last week, commissioners voted to send the document back for negotiation on three points, Commissioner L. Ray Nunley said. Details of the agreement will not be public until after it is ratified by both sides. In New Mexico, executive sessions are closed to the public.

Marines honor Mescalero man

A Mescalero man recently was cited for outstanding services by the Marine Corps for superior performance.

Marine Lance Cpl. Joel J. Chino, son of Lenore L. Kaydahcinne of Mescalero, was awarded the Meritorious Mast from his commanding officer in the 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines, 1st Marine Division, Marine Corps Base, Camp 11, Calif.

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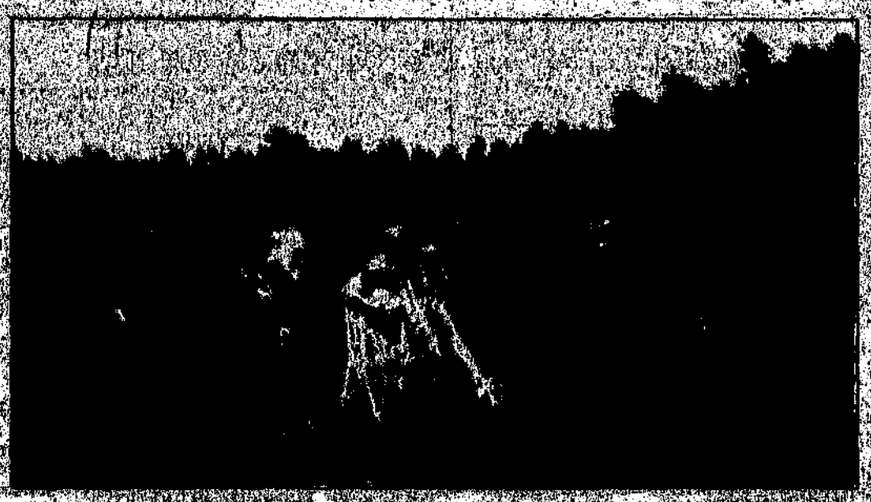
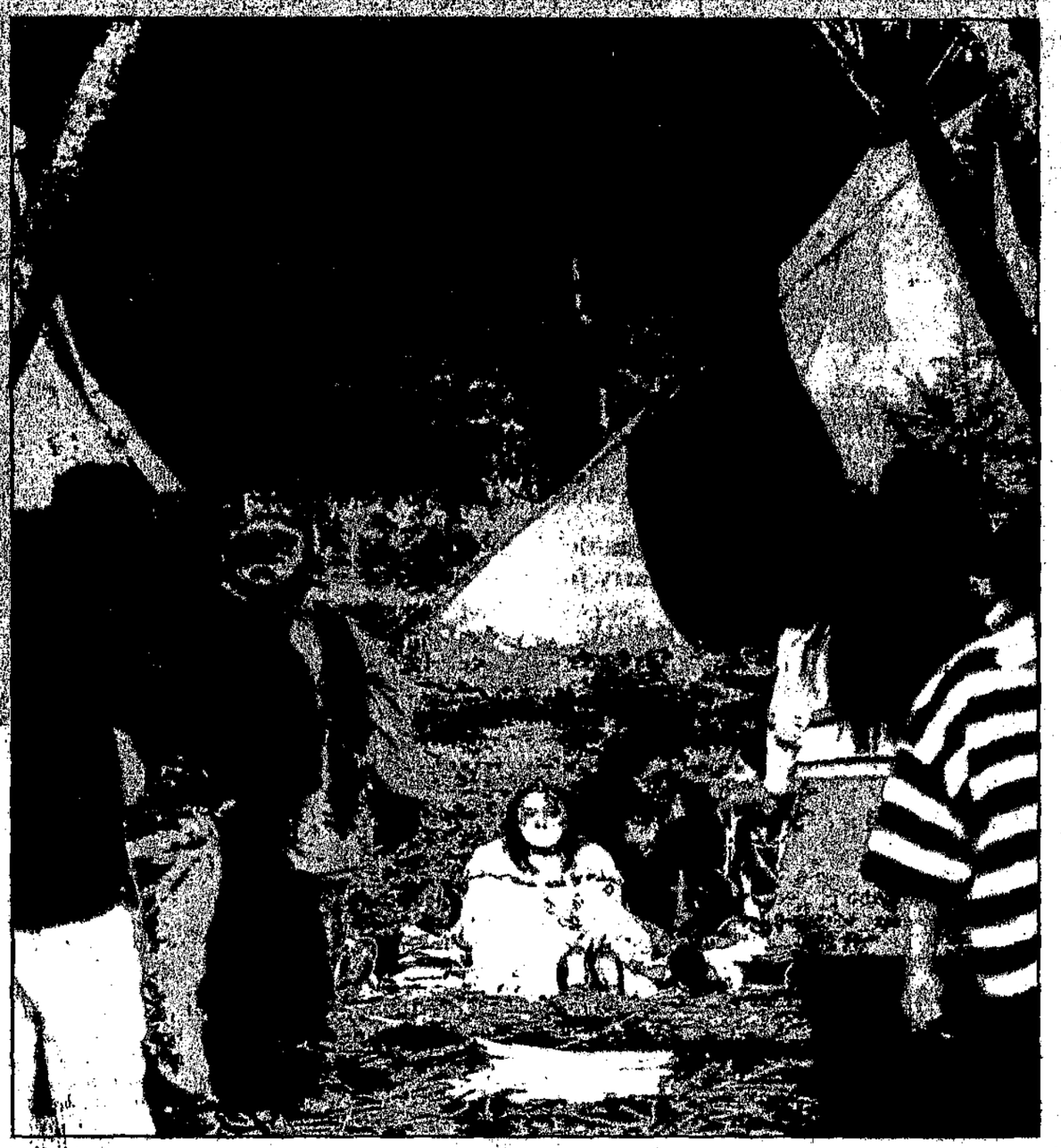




A Mescalero maiden spends eight days in a Coming of Age Rite

The Last Great Battle of the Apache: The War for Tradition

This is the first in a continuing series focusing on the Mescalero Apache people's efforts to preserve their traditions, culture and language.

Story and Photos
BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The sun broke free from a sheet of clouds as three medicine men from Mescalero chanted blessings before Kawauney Beck took off on the final run of her coming of age ceremony.

On grass still damp from a late rain Sunday night, she ran past the arbor where a feast to share with friends was being prepared by her grandmother, Judy Lester, and helpers. She circled a ceremonial bowl full of ritual items and returned to her medicine woman, Zelda Yazza, who checked her leggings and offered encouragement before the medicine men sent her on the second run.

This time the basket, with some contents kept secret among tribal members, was moved farther away, an action repeated with each of the next two runs.

Exhausted and with friends and family urging her to "run, run," Kawauney completed the last public portion of the Apache rite of passage ritual and headed through the arbor and into her ceremonial teepee.

Earlier, she sat center stage in an open teepee of tree trunks as medicine men Joey Padilla, Harrison Toclanny and Sidney Baca bestowed blessings on visitors with pollen collected from water plants.

Although the four-day ceremony ended for her friends with the feast of roasted mescal, tripe, chili, gravy, Spanish rice, fry bread and other dishes, Kawauney faces four more days of seclusion, during which she must avoid water and continue to wear her heavy buckskin dress.

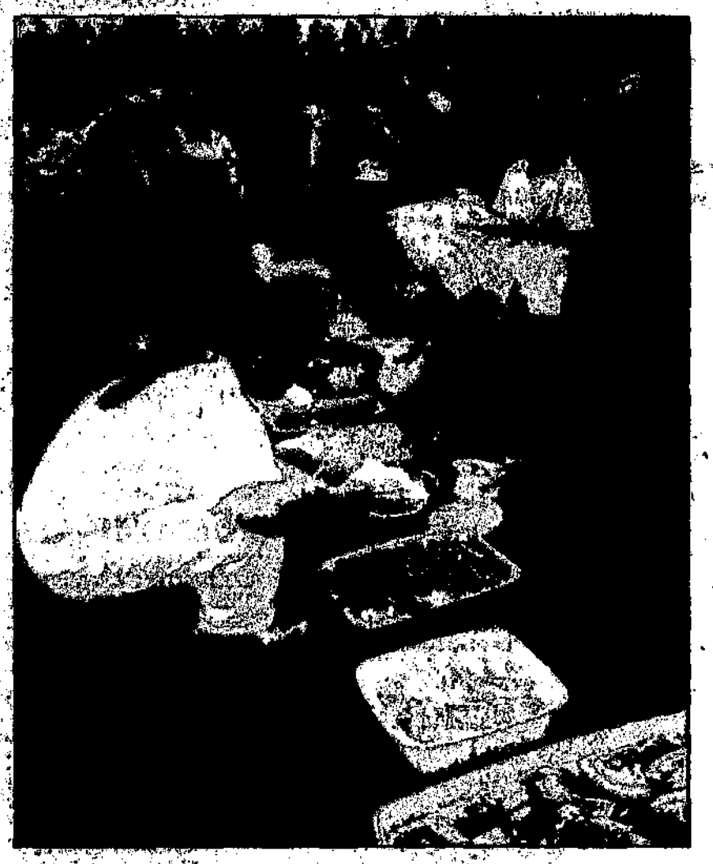
Putting together a feast and ceremony isn't easy for the families of young girls facing their transition into women. A traditional fringed and beaded buckskin dress must be created or handed down, medicine men and women must be arranged, pollen from water plants gathered and mescal plants, a type of agave, must be harvested and their hearts roasted.

But to Clar Eyelash, the ceremony is an important tie to the tradition of her family's Chiricahua tribal background. In traditional dress, she watched her daughter prepare Monday for the last run. Eyelash joined a group of supporters surrounding Kawauney and encouraged her daughter on the last few yards of the arduous run.

Kawauney's family blood lines draw from several tribes, the Chiricahua, the Choctaw, the Comanche, as well as Italian, Mexican, Spanish and English. But here on the Mescalero Apache Reservation, by providing the coming of age ceremony for her daughter,

See MAIDEN, page 3B

Friends and family members, above, line up to receive a blessing from medicine men presiding over the coming of age ceremony of Kawauney Beck (seated at center). In photo top left, Kawauney is comforted by her mother, Clar Eyelash, at the end of her maiden run.



Guests (above) dig into a feast of roasted mescal, chili, tripe, rice and other dishes prepared by Kawauney's grandmother, Judy Lester, and other helpers. At right, well-wishers relax outside the cooking arbor constructed between the ceremonial teepee and the teepee where Kawauney will spend eight days, the last four in seclusion following the four days of public feast.

Sertoma Club working to acquire speech and hearing van here

BY JULIE BAXTER
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Long before other Ruidoso civic and service clubs had women join their ranks this spring, the Sertoma Club was being led by president Cheryl Graves.

Sertoma, an acronym for Service to Mankind, is a national civic group that voted to admit women to its ranks in 1985. But its ahead-of-the-pack mentality isn't all that sets Sertoma apart, said Graves and secretary Pam Emery. Instead, they said, it's Sertoma's focus on communication, kids and plain ol' fun that also make it a club of distinction.

The local branch of Sertoma, which is the third oldest civic club in the nation and boasts 960 charters in the United States, Canada, Mexico and Puerto Rico, was chartered Aug. 21, 1996. In its first year, Ruidoso Sertoma has adopted the national mission focusing on speech and hearing.

"One of our goals is to raise enough money to get a speech and hearing van in the area, because the need is great," Emery said.

That great need, Graves added, is punctuated by the lack of local speech and hearing experts and sound-proof facilities for testing.

"There's no audiologist here, no real facilities to do proper testing," she said.

Adopting the national sponsorship of communication hasn't kept the Ruidoso chapter from taking on a few projects of its own, though. Feeding the hungry and keeping kids out of trouble have also taken prominence on the local agenda.

In service to youths, Sertoma has formed a Serteen club. Open to youths ages 13 to 19, the club is aimed at helping them chart their own course and make their own activities happen.

"It gives them something to do besides get into trouble," Emery said. "They can raise money for what they want to do."

Graves' hopes for the future of Sertoma include building a recreation center.

"What is there for kids in Ruidoso?" Graves questioned. "This is a great town, but what do (kids) have to go do? We ask them what they would like to see in the community, not what we'd like to see, but what they would like to see. There needs to be some good alternatives for them besides getting in trouble."

By involving them in planning and

See SERTOMA page 3B

Courtesy photo
Outgoing Sertoma President Cheryl Graves talks with other members at a recent banquet.

WEDDINGS ENGAGEMENTS

Tice-Duncan

Tice and Duncan wed July 19

White Oaks artists Palla Tice and John Duncan are now sharing the same palette.

They were married July 19 by Father David Berg in the Santa Rita Church in Carrizozo.

The bride is a native of Pleasant Valley, N.Y., and has been painting professionally for more than 30 years, after an apprenticeship with a French Impressionist. She is the daughter of Merlin and Sandra Tice of Lady Lake, Fla., who were in attendance along with her brother Merlin Tice II. The bride's maid of honor was her daughter, Monique Foster of New York City.

The groom, a California native, has been painting professionally for more than 20 years and studied under four of the "early Taos" painters. He now works in post-impressionistic respresentational style. His first love, before meeting Palla, was sky scapes. His sons, Thomas Duncan of Albuquerque, Brian Duncan of Fort Collins, Colo., and Tobias Duncan of Taos, were present as was his daughter, Katy Duncan of Santa Fe.

The couple will make their home in the historic Taylor House (circa 1887) in downtown White Oaks.

Mehaffie, Comiskey marry July 5

Megan Elizabeth Mehaffie and George Eugene Comiskey were wed July 5 in Lubbock, Texas.

Mehaffie, the daughter of Shamus and Virginia Mehaffie of Ruidoso and Lubbock, is a graduate of Texas Tech and is a special education teacher at Hodges Elementary School in Lubbock. Comiskey, son of William and Marjorie Comiskey of Kansas City, Mo., is a graduate of Avila College and Wayne State University and is employed as a specialist for Safe and Drug Free Schools.

After their reception following the 1 p.m. ceremony in the Baker Building, the couple was off to a honeymoon on the West Coast. They will make their home in Lubbock.

Mehaffie-Comiskey

Do you know some history about Lincoln fair?

LINCOLN TRAILS

BY ROSALIE DUNLAP

With the Lincoln County Fair over for another year and seeing a few of those who helped get the fair started I am working on a project and would like help on getting information and photos.

There were so many who worked hard at getting the fair started and have never been recognized for their efforts and dedication.

The fair actually started with an Achievement Day held at the school grounds of the Capitan schools. This was held for three years and then the group was able to use the old school gym building and grounds in 1956. (I found Ralph's slides that he took and were in his office when we lost our home to fire and lost most of our photos, which show that the fair started in 1956.) Among the photos were the men building the livestock pens.

I would like to have the photos of those who worked on the fair from 1953-63 and stories of events, happenings and fun things during that time. Some of the stories I have heard have concerned the moving of the grandstands from the old rodeo grounds east of Capitan to the fair grounds, Champ Ferguson and his tea and coffee, stories of the funny things that the 4-Hers did and others.

I will be sending out a letter this week with the list we have already compiled. If anyone knows of anyone we have missed please let me know. There will be a self-addressed envelope to those who get a letter for reply.

As of now we don't know when we will have this recognition event but hopefully in the next two months. I know it is a busy time of year but hopefully we can do it before November.

This all came about when I took a photo of Ralph Dunlap and Grady Eldridge in Smokey Bear. I realized here were two who worked hard to get the fair started and it hit me we were losing some of those early founders and I thought it was time to recognize them. The response from others has been great.

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Floyd Goodloe, Pastor, 354-3119
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.; Sunday Worship: 11 a.m.; AWANA Wed.: 6:30 p.m.

BAHA'I FAITH

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Meeting in members' homes. For information, call 257-2987 or 336-7739.

CATHOLIC

ST. ELEANOR CATHOLIC CHURCH
Ruidoso
Reverend Richard Catanach, 257-2330.
Sacrament of Penance: Sat. 4:30 p.m. or by appointment; Saturday Mass: 6 p.m.; Sunday Mass: 10 a.m. (English), 11:30 a.m. (Bilingual); Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat. 4:30 p.m. Sunday Mass, St. Jude Thaddeus, San Patricio: 8 a.m.

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH
Capitan, 354-9102
Saturday Mass: 5 p.m.; Sunday Mass: 9 a.m.; Monday Adult Bible Study: 6 p.m.

SANTA RITA CATHOLIC CHURCH
Carrizozo
Father Dave Bergs, Pastor, 648-2853
Saturday Mass: 6:30 p.m.; Sunday Mass: 11 a.m.; Tuesday Adult Bible Study: 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.; 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
Lee Benwood, 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
415 Sudderth, Ruidoso
Jimmy Sportsman, Minister, 257-4381
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, North on Hwy. 48, between mile markers 14/15
336-4359 or 257-9691
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 Soc. & Young Women, 12:10 a.m.

EPISCOPAL

EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE HOLY MOUNT
121 Mescalero Trail, Ruidoso
Father John W. Penn, Rector
Sunday Eucharist: 8 & 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday: Daughters of King: noon; Eucharist & healing: 5:30 p.m.; Choir practice: 7 p.m.

EPISCOPAL CHAPEL OF SAN JUAN
Lincoln
Sunday: Holy Eucharist 10:30 a.m.

ST. ANNE'S EPISCOPAL CHAPEL
Glencoe
Sunday: Holy Eucharist 9 a.m.

ST. MATTHIAS EPISCOPAL CHAPEL
Carrizozo, 6th & E Street
Sunday: Holy Eucharist 9:30 a.m.

FOURSQUARE

CAPITAN FOURSQUARE CHURCH
Highway 48, Capitan
Harold W. Perry, Pastor
Sunday School: 10 a.m.; Sunday worship: 11 a.m., 7 p.m.; Wednesday Bible study: 7 p.m.

FULL GOSPEL

MISSION FOUNTAIN OF LIVING WATER
San Patricio
Sunday School: 10 a.m.; Evening services: 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Tuesday and Friday.

JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

RUIDOSO - KINGDOM HALL
106 Alpine Village Road
258-3659, 258-3204
Sunday: Public Talk 1:30 p.m.; Watchtower: 2:20 p.m. Monday: Bible Study 7:30 p.m. Thursday: Ministry School 7:30 p.m.; Service Meet 8:20 p.m.

CONGREGACION HISPANA DE LOS TESTIGOS DE JEHOVA
106 Alpine Village Road
258-3659, 336-7076
Dom.: Reunion Publica 10 a.m., Estudio de la Atalaya 10:50 a.m. Lun.: Estudio de Libro 7 p.m. Mart: Escuela del Ministerio Teocratico 7 p.m.; Reunion de servicio 7:50 p.m.

LUTHERAN

SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS
Hull Road, 258-4191, 257-5296
Kevin L. Krohn, Pastor
Sunday: Worship 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m.; Sunday School & Adult Bible Class 9:30 a.m. Wednesday: Bible study noon.

METHODIST

COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Junction Road, behind Daylight Donuts
Harry Riser, Pastor
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.; Sunday worship: 8:30 a.m., 10:55 a.m.

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH PARISH
Trinity Carrizozo/Capitan
Bob Boyd Pastor, 648-2893, 648-2846
Carrizozo
Sunday School: 10:00 a.m.; Sunday worship: 11:10 a.m.
Capitan
Sunday worship: 9:15 a.m.; Adult Sunday School 8:30 a.m.; Sunday School 11 a.m.

PENTECOSTAL

SPIRIT OF LIFE APOSTOLIC PENTECOSTAL TABERNACLE
Lincoln Ave., Capitan
Allen M. Miller, Pastor, 257-6864
Sunday School: 10 a.m. Sunday; Sunday Evening Services: 6 p.m.; Tuesday Bible Study: 7 p.m.

NAZARENE

ANGUS CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
Angus
12 miles north of Ruidoso on Hwy. 48
Charles Hall, Pastor, 336-8032
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.; Sunday worship: 10:45 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday fellowship: 6:30 p.m.

PRESBYTERIAN

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Nob Hill, Ruidoso
James Hovland, Pastor, 257-2220
Sunday: Church school 9:45 a.m.; worship 8:30 a.m. & 11 a.m. Tuesday: Bible study 10-11:30 a.m. Potluck fellowship lunch after worship every third Sunday.

MOUNTAIN MINISTRY PARISH COMMUNITY UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Ancho
Sunday worship: 9 a.m.; Sunday School: 10 a.m.

CORONA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Worship 11 a.m.

NOGAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Adult Sunday School: 10 a.m.; worship 11 a.m.

REFORMED CHURCH

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

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST
207 Parkway, Agua Fria, Ruidoso Downs, 378-4161
Pastor Rick Lyle 443-1904
Assoc. Pastor Wilburn Morrow 622-1206
Saturday: Sabbath school 9:30 a.m.; Church service: 11 a.m. Wednesday: Prayer meeting 7 p.m.

NON-DENOMINATIONAL

ABUNDANT LIFE FAMILY CHURCH
2810 Sudderth Drive, Suite 210, 257-1188
Mark Gentry, pastor
Sunday worship 4 p.m. Thursday Bible study 7 p.m.

AMERICAN MISSIONARY FELLOWSHIP
Gregg Horst, 354-2307
Monday: Ruidoso men's Bible study noon at Pizza Hut, Mechem Drive; Women's Bible study 6:30 p.m. Wednesday: Capitan youth group 7 p.m. at the fair building. Thursday: Adult Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

CALVARY CHAPEL
433 Gateway Center
Pastor Ben Sladoba, 257-5915
Sunday: worship 11 a.m.; Wednesday: Mid-Week Bible Study & Kids' Adventure Club 7 p.m.

CHRIST COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP
Capitan, Highway 380 West
Ed Vinson, Pastor, 354-2458
Sunday school, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday worship, 10:30 a.m.

CORNERSTONE CHURCH
Cornerstone Square, 613 Sudderth Drive
B.A. Thurman, Pastor, 257-9265
Sunday services 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.; Wednesday 7 p.m.

IGLESIA HISPANA CASA DE ORACION
Senior Citizen Center (atras libreria)
Pastor Carlos Carreon, 257-5126
Miercoles: reunion general 7 p.m. Domingos: escuela dominical 10 a.m.; reunion general 6 p.m.

LIVING WORD CHURCH
441 Mechem, 257-3470
Pastors: Terry and Suzanne Lewis
Sunday: Renewal services Sunday 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wednesday: Intercessory prayer noon; mid-week services 7 p.m.

PEACE CHAPEL INTERDENOMINATIONAL (ULC)
Alto North
Jeannie Price, Pastor, 336-7075
Morning chapel: 6:50 a.m. (Sept. thru June); Sunday Service: 11 a.m.

RUIDOSO WORD CHURCH
Ruidoso Downs
Al and Marty Lane, Pastors, 378-8464
Sunday: Children's ministries 9:00 a.m.; worship 10:45 a.m.; Thursday: services 7 p.m.

TRINITY MOUNTAIN FELLOWSHIP
Gavilan Canyon Road, 258-4213
Sunday: morning prayer 8 a.m.; Sunday school 9:30 a.m.; service 10:30. Thursday: home Bible study 7 p.m.

CLUB CALENDAR

ADULT SINGLES GROUP
The Ruidoso/Lincoln County Adult Singles group meets every Thursday at 6:30 p.m. at The Texas House, Ruidoso. The group has a no-host dinner with speakers and discussions to follow. Activities are also planned throughout the month. All adult singles are invited to join the group for dinner and socializing. For further information call 258-4680 or 257-5077.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS
Meets at the Lincoln Tower, Lower Level, rear entrance: Mondays - Noon AA meetings and 8 p.m. Step Study. Tuesdays - 8 p.m. closed AA and Alanon. Noon meeting. Wednesdays - Noon AA meetings and 8 p.m. Alanon Study. Thursdays - Noon open womens meeting and 8 p.m. Open meeting. Fridays - Noon AA meeting and 8 p.m. Book Study. Saturdays - 8 p.m. AA open. Noon meeting. Sundays - 8 p.m. open ladies and men's stag meeting. Noon meeting - Birthdays, last Saturday. Phone number 258-3643.

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

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

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

ALZHEIMER'S MONTHLY SUPPORT GROUP
Meets the first Wednesday of each month at 7-9 p.m. at Ruidoso Care Center. Call 257-9071 for more information.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED PERSONS
AARP meets at the Senior Citizens Center behind the Ruidoso Public Library at 10 a.m. the fourth Wednesday of every month. President, Virginia Quesenberry.

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY OF LINCOLN COUNTY
Meets at noon every fourth Thursday in the Lincoln County Medical Center conference room. For more information contact memorial Chairman Jane Yowell, P.O. Box 2328, Ruidoso, NM 88345. Telephone: 257-4066.

AMERICAN LEGION ROBERT J. HAGEE, POST 79
Meets at 7 p.m. the third Wednesday in the American Legion Building at U.S. Highway 70 and Spring Road in Ruidoso Downs. For more information call 257-5796.

AMERICAN SEWING GUILD OF NEW MEXICO
Neighborhood group meeting. Call Jennie Powell at 258-3896.

B.P.O.E. NO. 2086
Elks meets in the Elk's Lodge Building on U.S. Highway 70. 7:30 p.m. the first and third Thursdays of every month.

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

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

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

CANCER SUPPORT GROUP
Meets 7–9 p.m the third Thursday of each month at the Texas-New Mexico Power Company, 1100 Mechem, Ruidoso. Call 258-4682 or 258-3726 for information.

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

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

CO-DEPENDENTS ANONYMOUS
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
Meetings are held at 11:30 a.m. on the second Thursday of the month, Sept. through May at a place designated by the hostess. Call 258-4593 or 257-6974.

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 #24
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.

LA JUNTA R.C.E.
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 CHILDBIRTH 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 Capitan. President 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.

NOISY WATERS SERTOMA CLUB
Meets at noon at K-Bobs the second and fourth Wednesday of every month. For more information call 257-4122.

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

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR 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.

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

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 PIECEMAKERS QUILTING 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 SHRINE 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 CLUB
Meets 11:30 a.m. every Tuesday for lunch and a short meeting at Cree Meadows Country Club. Come to visit or join. 1997–98 officers: Bill Allen, 257-2776; David Rallsbach, 258-9169; Ward Hook, 257-2487; Roy Yochem, 258-9069.

RUIDOSO VEGETARIAN CLUB
Meets monthly for 6 p.m. potluck at the Galloping Tortoise coffee house across from Cattle Baron on Sudderth in Ruidoso. Also monthly lunches at different restaurants. For information call Russ Warwick at 257-2172 or Fay Aldridge 257-5765.

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.

SIERRA BLANCA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
Meets at the Deck House at 9 a.m. Saturdays. For more information call Dusty Rhodes at 257-2135.

SIERRA 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.

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

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 Propsner at 257-6600.

VFW POST 7072
Jerome Don Klein Post 7072 at 7 p.m. the second Monday at American Legion Hall at Highway 70 and Spring Road in Ruidoso Downs. For more information call 257-5796.
Don Klein VFW Women's Auxiliary Unit 7072 meets at 6 p.m. the second Friday of every month at American Legion Hall, US 70 and Spring Road in Ruidoso Downs. For more information call 257-5796.

WHITE MOUNTAIN SEARCH & RESCUE
7 p.m. the third Monday at the public meeting room at Ruidoso High School foyer. Betty Beachum, President; John Lefftinck, 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 257-2389.

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

ZIA GIRL SCOUT COUNCIL
Ruidoso service unit meets 6 p.m. the second Monday of every month at the Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount.

MAIDEN: Tribe preserves its traditions and ceremonies

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Eyelash has established a tangible link with the past.

Ellyn Bigrope, curator at the Mescalero Cultural Center, said the coming of age ceremony is the most important of all rituals to the Apache.

"It's one of the traditions we're hanging onto. All of the girls want this ceremony now," Bigrope said Tuesday.

Reflecting back on her own ceremony years ago on the reservation, Bigrope said, "As I get older, it's helping me more. That's the way it is for me. I don't know about the other young ladies.

"At that time, it was something that was very exciting, but now all of the things the medicine man and the medicine woman said to me and taught me, I'm making more use of it for myself."

On July 4 of each year, usually a half dozen girls participate in a major ceremony at the tribal grounds But through the summer a few girls, or in some cases, just one, will stage a cerebration in places like White Tail, the former Chiricahua settlement on the reservation chosen by Eyelash. The three main tribes of the reservation early in the century were Chiricahua, Mescalero and Lipan.

Bigrope gave a brief description of the traditional ceremony, although she noted that some less essential aspects may be modified by families:

Days before the ceremony begins, the teepees of the young girls are put up on the south side of the feast grounds next to a long arbor of oak brush to be used for small cooking fires.

The day before the ceremony, the men of the families, accompanied by medicine men, go into the forest to select poles for the ceremonial teepees. As the trees are felled, the medicine men bless them, the girls and those at the ceremony. Their chants are punctuated at intervals by a sharp keening, a high wailing sound, from the women.

The blessing song continues as the teepees go up. Four poles, from 25 feet to 30 feet tall, are topped with evergreen branches for each girls' teepee.

The first four poles of the ceremonial teepee, one for each of the four corners of the world, are slanted inward until they touch to form a pyramid, then are lashed together to a central pole. Oak brush is laid around the perimeter.

For the ceremony to begin, the sun must be out, so the exact time can't be determined before the event, but it will be as early as possible, Bigrope said.

A pit is dug in front of the teepee. The decision about when to light the fire the first day falls to the head medicine man and medicine woman.

A blanket and a swath of buckskins for each girl are laid on the ground in front of the ceremonial teepee entrance. The girls leave their teepees, walk through the arbor and kneel on the buckskins. In front of each girl is a medicine man and by her side a godmother or medicine woman.

As they kneel, their attendants pass in front of them. The godmothers reach into their pollen sack, put a small portion between their thumb and forefingers and lift it to the four directions. Then pollen is placed on the shoulder, chest, ankle and across the noses of the girls. The girls then mark their godmothers and medicine men and the blessing begins for guests.

At the end of another song, the girls stretch out on their buckskin, face down, and the attendants massage them from head to toe while praying that they always will have strong bodies, arms and legs.

A medicine basket is placed in front of the teepee containing among other items, eagle feathers, gramma grass, pollen, red and white clay, all important symbols in Apache beliefs.

The girls make four runs around the basket. When they return, they lift their buckskins toward the sun, driving away any evil spirits that may be near and frightening off the supernatural bearers of illness.

The rug is given one last shake and a basket of fruit and candies is tossed to the crowd, followed by the feast.

Although traditionally the girls should stay sequestered in the teepee, many use the rest of the day and next two days to socialize with visitors, Bigrope said.

On the fourth day, the ceremony is similar, but the girls' faces are painted and they paint their attendants and medicine men. Another blessing is given, another run takes place, some teepee poles are brought down. as the girls stand in lines facing the east in front of the four remaining poles.

As they girls retire to their teepees and the last poles come down, candies and fruits are thrown to the crowd again.

Dancing occurs every evening in the large ceremonial teepee and the last day of the feast visitors dance all night, Bigrope said. Often the Dance of the Mountain Gods is performed.

The choice of food for the feast is left up to the family, but includes the dried or roasted mescal.

SERTOMA: Club teaches youths to be future leaders

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working toward a common goal, Graves and Emery said it may propel youths into great things in the future.

"It teaches them to be leaders in their community at a young age," Emery said. "You make good citizens out of them."

Adults can also find plenty to feel good about by being involved with Sertoma, Graves said. "Self fulfillment," she said. "We all get caught up in our own existence. ... We live in this gorgeous place and what do we do to give back to it? "

"Just to be able to help, there's nothing more fulfilling," Emery added.

Members are asked only to volunteer what they can and only the time they can spare, Graves said.

And everyone's opinion is valued. "We're really into the team concept," Emery said.

The 35 members and volunteers in Sertoma have been busy in their inaugural season. In the past year, Emery said, Sertoma has been part of the Aspenfest parade and had two garage sales, ticket raffles, pictures with Santa – all to raise money for its chosen causes. That money went toward feeding hungry families at Thanksgiving and year round, and a scholarship in memory of former Ruidoso High School student Jenny Ames. Graves said the community has shown great support for Sertoma through donations to the garage sales or simply getting involved.

"When we do something, it's more individual. We pick the real needy causes," Emery said.

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The Most Famous Pirate of All

Blackbeard the Feared

Blackbeard...

There was a time when just the mention of his name was enough to frighten people. That is just what he wanted.

He was an expert at creating a frightening image, not only by how he looked, but by what he did.

If a victim resisted giving up a diamond ring, he might chop off the victim's finger. However, there is no record that he took a life unless he was attacked.

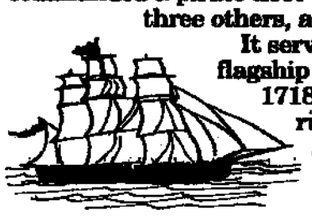
Blackbeard's Jolly Roger

The many tales about his cruelty helped him get his way. Once, just to prove he was boss, he shot a crew member and made him lame for life.

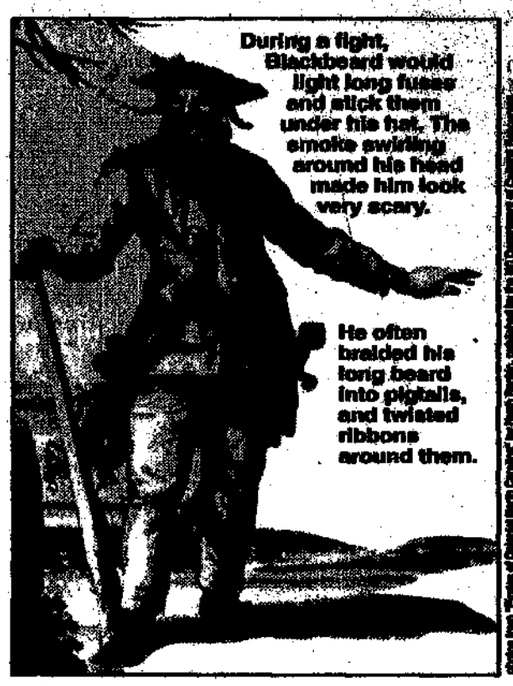
Exciting discovery

Blackbeard's biggest ship might have been discovered off the coast of North Carolina in November of 1996. Experts are diving for proof that this is really the ship.

This treasure lies under 20 feet of water near Beaufort Inlet, N.C. The Queen Ann's Revenge was captured by Blackbeard in 1717. Later, he commanded a pirate fleet of this ship and three others, and 300 men.



It served as his flagship until June of 1718, when it was run aground, stripped of its cargo and abandoned.



During a fight, Blackbeard would light long fuses and stick them under his hat. The smoke swirling around his head made him look very scary.

He often braided his long beard into pigtails, and twisted ribbons around them.

Photo from "Pirates of Colonial North Carolina" by Hugh Rankin, published by the N.C. Department of Cultural Resources

His life

We don't know a lot about Blackbeard's private life. His real name was probably Edward Thatch, but it might have been Teach or Thache. He was probably from England.

No one knows how many wives he had. Some experts believe he might have had at least two, and maybe 14.

He was probably a pirate earlier, but we know in 1716 he was captain of a pirate ship.

North Carolina

Blackbeard and other pirates made North Carolina one of their bases since there were many places to hide along the shoreline.

Also, many of the local citizens welcomed the pirates. The stolen goods were cheaper than those sold legally.

North Carolina officials probably didn't mind having the pirates around either. Some were accused of receiving a share of the pirate's loot.

His enemies

Other colonists feared and hated Blackbeard. He was a threat to shipping.

In May of 1718, he blockaded the port of Charleston, S.C., for almost two weeks. He demanded a chest filled with medicine. Sickness was a big problem aboard the ship. When Charleston paid the ransom, he robbed his hostages, but let them go unharmed.

The governor of Virginia disliked him so much he sent ships to hunt him down. They cornered him and his men in the waters near present-day Ocracoke, N.C., in November 1718. Blackbeard was killed in this battle, one of the most notable in pirate history.

The final battle lasted only about six minutes, but it was very bloody. People said Blackbeard was shot five times and cut with a cutlass (a short sword) more than 20 times before he was finally killed.

The Rookie Cookie Cookbook is chock-full of recipes designed especially for kids. Rookie Cookie makes cooking fun, encourages reading, and takes kids step-by-step through the cooking process. To order, send check or money order only for $7.95 plus $3.50 postage and handling per copy, to: Rookie Cookie Cookbook, P.O. Box 419467, Kansas City, Mo. 64141. Make checks payable to Andrews and McMeel.

Go dot to dot and color.

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Rookie Cookie's Recipe

Pirate's Treasure

You'll need:

- 2 30-ounce cans fruit cocktail in syrup
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon nutmeg
- 1 box lemon cake mix
- 1 stick of butter or margarine

What to do:

1. Pour fruit cocktail in 13-by-9-inch baking dish.
2. Stir in cinnamon and nutmeg. Mix well.
3. Sprinkle cake mix evenly over fruit.
4. Cover cake mix evenly with thin slices of butter or margarine.
5. Bake in a preheated 350-degree oven 45 minutes, or until golden brown.

Serves 12.

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MIGHTY FUNNY'S Mini Jokes

Q. What happened to the frog when he ate a poisonous bug?
A. He croaked!

Q. Why did the duck tell the mirror a joke?
A. To see if it quacked up!

(all jokes sent in by Samantha Gerza)

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BASSET BROWN THE NEWS HOUND'S PIRATES TRY 'N FIND

Words that remind us of pirates are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward or diagonally. See if you can find: PIRATE, BLACKBEARD, MEAN, SHIPS, CAPTAIN, ROB, CAROLINA, BASE, SHORE, STEAL, CAPTURE, EASTERN, BLOCKADE, RANSOM, BATTLE, SHIPWRECK, FIGHT, FLAG, FRIGHTEN.

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Mini Spy...

Mini Spy and her friends are pretending to be pirates. See if you can find:

- canoe
- sailboat
- question mark
- number 8
- heart
- banana
- letter T
- ladder
- fish
- bird
- ruler

A Treasure Chest of Pirate Facts

Pirates were the gangsters of their day. Some were not very smart. They were often cruel. They drank a lot. Their life was hard and most died young.

Stede Bonnet, a pirate who once sailed with Blackbeard, was hanged, as were many pirates.

Pirate fact-a-roonies

- Pirates were also called "buccaneers."
- It was probably not true that pirates forced their captives to "walk the plank." It was just too easy to toss them overboard.
- Sometimes pirates would set their captives adrift in small boats. They also marooned them on desert islands.
- After the pirates had gotten their victims' valuables, they might switch ships and then send them on their way.
- The buried treasure story also is probably not true. A pirate's life was so uncertain it is unlikely that any one of them put aside anything for the future.

Jolly Rogers

Pirate flags were called "Jolly Rogers." Many were black, but the most scary ones were red. When people saw a red pirate flag, they knew they would all be killed.

Jolly Rogers were used to frighten the enemy into surrendering, often without a fight. Most pirates had their own special flag:

Jack Rackman was known as "Calico Jack" because he wore clothes made up of many different colors. He was married to Anne Bonny.

Thomas Tew became very wealthy, but died in a pirate battle only a year after he had stolen all his riches, so he didn't get to enjoy them.

Stede Bonnet was known as the "gentlemen's pirate." He came from a wealthy family, and bought his own pirate ship. Most pirates stole their ships.

Henry Every was very, very mean. He was never caught.

Richard Worley robbed ships in the waters off New York and Philadelphia, Cape Henry, Va., and Cape Hatteras, N.C.

Look through your newspaper for things you would put in a treasure chest.

Women pirates

Mary Read

There were many women who dressed as men and became pirates. Two of the most famous were **Mary Read** and **Anne Bonny.**

Mary Read was English. Her mother wanted a son to inherit the family money. So she dressed Mary like a boy. Mary joined the navy and turned to pirating.

Anne Bonny was from Ireland, where her father was a lawyer. They moved to America. She fell in love with a pirate and ran away with him.

Anne and Mary became shipmates. They fought alongside the crew and were known for being cruel.

Anne Bonny

They were caught and sentenced to die. But both women claimed to be pregnant and so were not hanged. Mary died in jail. No one knows what happened to Anne.

The Mini Page thanks Dave Moore, registrar for North Carolina Maritime Museum, and Dr. Jeffrey Crowe, director of the Division of Archives and History, North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources.

Next week: The Mini Page compares teachers' rules and schools 100 years ago and today.

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Mystery author takes suspense out of inspiring students to write

BY JULIE BAXTER
RUIDOSO NEWS EDUCATION WRITER

Better writing was the word Monday when Ruidoso School District staff gathered for their annual orientation.

With a look ahead to the school year starting Tuesday, teachers, administrators and staff laid the ground work to keep stepping toward the goal of improving students' written communication. Focusing on the Educational Plan for Student Success (EPSS), the accomplishments of the past and the achievements for the future all took center stage, along with Santa Fe author Michael McGarrity.

One of the goals of the EPSS is to improve students' communication skills. As first stride in that direction, the district revamped its language arts curriculum three years ago and has been working on implementing new curriculum standards and ways of measuring student improvement.

Frank Cannella, principal at White Mountain Elementary School and head of the district's language arts committee, glowed over the direction the district has taken. He particularly praised the development of a continuum that shows writing as ongoing process — the same process for students no matter what their grade.

"We're the only district in the state doing something like this — taking the writing process and making it consistent for K-12," Cannella said.

Cannella was also happy with a new portfolio system developed for Ruidoso students that will hold two to four writing samples from every year of their education, kindergarten to 12th grade. When students graduate, those same portfolios will be bound and presented to them. Cannella called keeping the portfolios an excellent way to "encourage the kids to love to write."

In tandem with the goal of improved writing, teachers from across the district were enrolled in the High Plains Writing Project and a similar mini-workshop to help them develop their own skills.

"Teachers of writing must write themselves," said Marian Matthews, director of the High Plains project and one of four Eastern New Mexico University faculty members who will visit Ruidoso classrooms once a month to give teachers guidance and input on writing programs.

"Writing is very important because writing helps us understand what we know and what we think," she said. "Students' writing helps us understand what is important and meaningful to them."

McGarrity echoed those very words in his address to the teachers.

"A passion to write doesn't come from just writing anything," he said. "I am convinced that a passion to write first comes from other passions ... your students will write willingly and with great desire if you can lock into their curiosity."

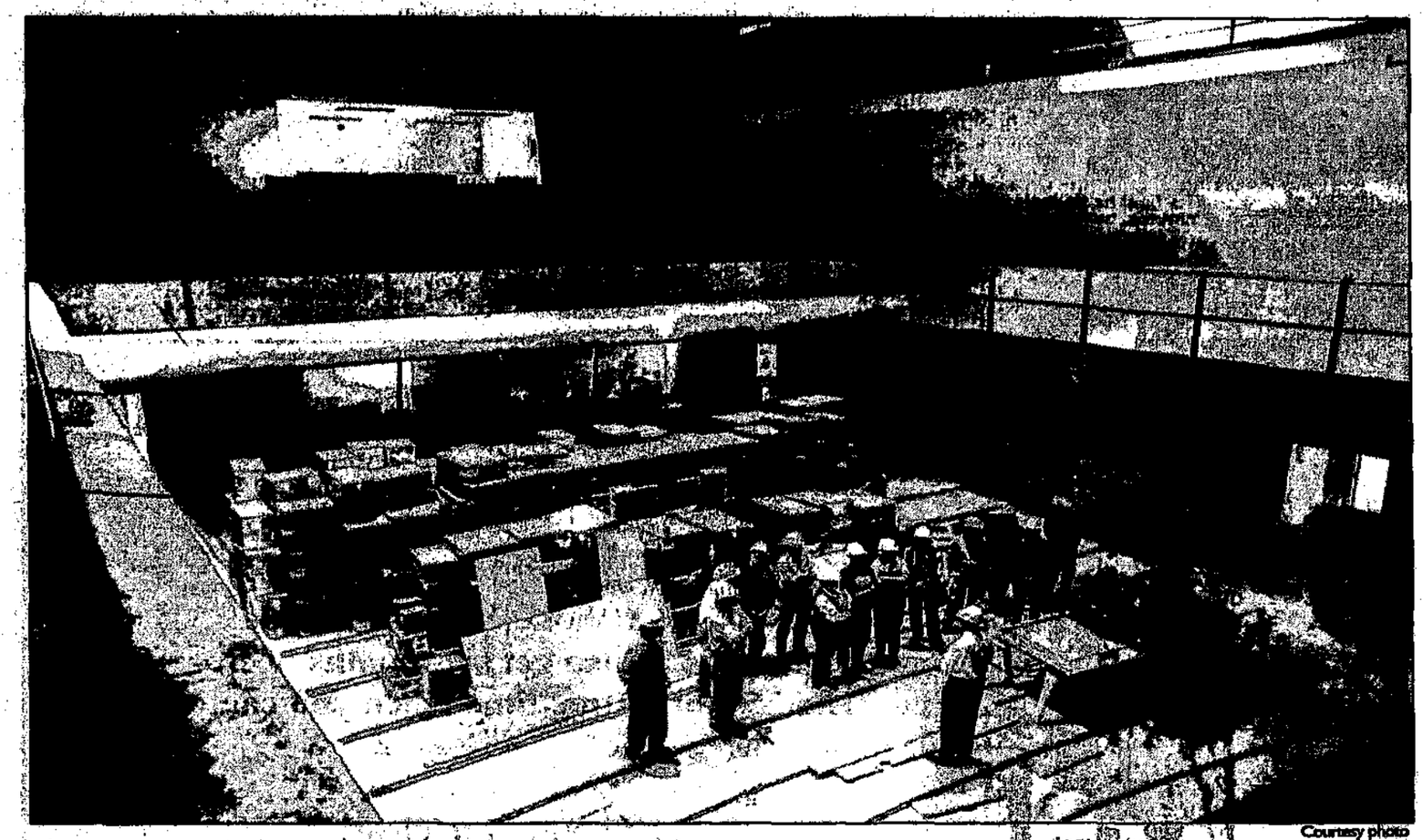
His own life was the best example McGarrity said he could give.

"I was what you called a troubled kid. I could read before I got to school, but to this day I still can't write cursive. I was more interested in horses than I was in school."

But the end result is a man who has won critical acclaim for his two mystery novels set in New Mexico, and a man who benefited from never being labeled or told he couldn't do it. He recommended teachers do the same and never close doors for their students' future.

"As you go out there this year, the school year of '97, before you try to teach writing or all of its components, find out from your students what it is they love, what it is that drives them and use that inspiration."

Going to school at Spencer



Courtesy photo

Ranid Harmon, executive director of Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts, briefs a group of educators from the Ruidoso and Capitan school systems on the 85 percent complete theater. The group of principals and superintendents is standing about six rows back in the theater's orchestra seating level. The boxes behind them, stacked on the balcony level, contain 514 seats which will start being installed over the next couple of weeks. The educators were attending a briefing on the theater's education plan, which will bring over 3,000 students from the districts into the facility during its first year of operation, as well as bring guest artists into the schools. The Spencer hopes to expand the program into Carrizozo, Hondo and Mescalero school districts in the future.

Board goals aimed at safety, environment and all-day K

BY JULIE BAXTER
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In step with the harried pace that back-to-school brings on, the Ruidoso School Board tackled a large agenda and some major goals Tuesday night.

Safety, communication, better education, environment and career possibilities all landed on the table when the board adopted its goals for the coming year. The content of the five goals was hashed out over the weekend at a Saturday morning retreat for board members, school administrators, student council members and a teacher representing the Ruidoso Education Association.

The first two goals — "ensuring a safe and respectful school environment for all with an attitude of 'zero tolerance' toward violent or destructive behavior" and to "continue positive communication among staff, students, parents and community with openness and honesty and encourage more attendance at school sponsored activities" — were carried over from last year's goals.

The three new additions to this year's list of ambitions are to "develop an action plan to implement all-day kindergarten, develop an action plan to increase awareness and appreciation of the local environment outdoor/educational experiences," and "develop an action plan to expand district vocational education programs (K-12) and support school-to-work transitions for students through community partnerships."

All of which aim to strengthen a main strength pointed out at Saturday's retreat — a focus on kids.

In regard to the all-day kindergarten goal, board member Susan Lutterman asked whether "develop an action plan" was strong enough wording.

"I hope that 'develop' is a strong enough word because I think it's really important (to have all-day kindergarten)," she said. "I hope this is not just developing something. I hope someday we can do it."

Board member Ronnie Hemphill shared Lutterman's wish to see all-day kindergarten up and running.

"My desire is to see it in place next fall, but I don't know if it's fair to put those kind of time restrictions on it," Hemphill said.

Superintendent Mike Gladden said making it a board goal will help make day-long education for kindergartners a reality.

"I take this very seriously. When you put in in the goals for this year, I feel we should do everything possible to have it by 1997-98."

Along with the goals, Hemphill also had praise for the development process.

"We've done this (the retreats) for several years," he said. "It's a very worthwhile effort and time well spent."

But in the end setting high goals doesn't mean anything without results. Board President James Paxton said he was pleased that, although the goals may not be tracked every day or at every meeting, they are tracked diligently.

"I think what's made these work is that the intent doesn't get watered down ... these things do have some real measurable results from one year to the next."

EDUCATION BRIEFS

RASCAL Club begins today

The Ruidoso After School Care and Learning Club begins today at Sierra Vista Primary School.

The program for students in kindergarten through fourth grade who attend Ruidoso schools provides a healthy snack, indoor and outdoor play and crafts and activities. The club meets from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding school holidays and teacher in-service days. Fees for the program provided by Ruidoso Municipal Schools, Region IX Education Cooperative and Medicaid in the schools, are based on monthly income.

For further information call program director Lee Ann Southard at 258-4943.

Registration continues at ENMU-Ruidoso

Registration for credit, upper division television and community education courses is continuing for the fall semester at Eastern New Mexico University-Ruidoso.

Classes will start Aug. 25. Financial aid and academic counseling appointments are still available as well. Math and English placement tests are given on Fridays.

Interested students may register in person at the college, 709 Mechem Drive, or by phone, fax, mail in or purchase order. The fall schedule is also available at the college's web site – http:www/enmu.edu/Ruidoso. For more information call 257-2120 or 1-800-934-3668.

GED test at ENMU Friday

Eastern New Mexico University-Ruidoso will offer the General Educational Development (GED) test to Lincoln County residents at 8:30 a.m. Friday.

Cost of the exam is $20 payable at the office before testing time. Applicants must be at least 17 years old to be eligible for testing. If under 18, applicants must obtain an underage permission form from ENMU. A valid state identification and GED pretest are also required.

The GED test is offered at the ENMU office for Lincoln and Otero County residents each month at the college, 709 Mechem Drive. For more information call 257-2120 or 1-800-934-3668.

Three from Ruidoso graduate from NMSU

Julieanne Hufstedler, Ashley King and Rosemary Pinto were among 380 summer graduates at New Mexico State University in Las Cruces.

Hufstedler, of Ruidoso, earned a bachelor's degree in education; King, of Ruidoso Downs, an associate's of applied science, and Pinto, of Mescalero, an associate's of arts.

Former gymnasts earn Ames scholarship

Four former gymnasts – Cindy Scott, Suzanne Flanary, Darlene Martinez and Shannon Conley – are the recipients of the Ruidoso Gymnastic Association's 1997 Jenny Ames memorial gymnastics scholarship.

The scholarships are funded by RGA's Aspenfest Arts and Crafts show and are awarded as a tribute to former New Mexico gymnastics all-around champion Jenny Ames, who died in a car accident in 1996.

Neal to participate in Project ASTRO-NM

Ruidoso Middle School teacher Clifton Neal is one of several teachers from across the state preparing for a two-day training session at the National Solar Observatory at Sunspot.

The Space Center in Alamogordo has recruited the 48 teachers and astronomers to participate in Project ASTRO-NM during the 1997-98 school year. The training session will be held Friday and Saturday.

Project ASTRO is an educational program that teams astronomers with educators and the young people they teach. During the school year, amateur and professional astronomers will help educators give their classes or youth groups a first-hand experience with astronomy and science. The program is funded by a grant from the National Science Foundation.

SCHOOL MENUS

BREAKFAST IN A SACK

Monday, Aug. 25 – cereal, milk, fruit

Tuesday, Aug. 26 – blueberry muffin, fruit, milk

Wednesday, Aug. 27 – donut, fruit, milk

Thursday, Aug. 28 – strawberry muffin, juice, milk

Friday, Aug. 29 – breakfast burrito, fruit, milk

SIERRA VISTA & NOB HILL

Monday, Aug. 25 – BREAKFAST: breakfast pizza or cereal, toast, chilled fruit, milk; LUNCH: cheeseburger Mac, green beans, roll, fruit, milk

Tuesday, Aug. 26 – BREAKFAST: baked French toast sticks or cereal, toast, fruit, milk; LUNCH: chicken tenders w/dipping sauce, corn, roll, fruit, milk

Wednesday, Aug. 27 – BREAKFAST: donut or cereal, chilled fruit, milk; LUNCH: lasagna, tossed salad, garlic bread, fruit, milk

Thursday, Aug. 28 – BREAKFAST: strawberry muffin or cereal, toast, juice, milk; LUNCH: grilled cheese sandwich, tator tots, fruit, milk

Friday, Aug. 29 – BREAKFAST: breakfast burrito or cereal, toast, chilled fruit, milk; LUNCH: Warrior burger, oven fries, hamburger trimmings, fruit, milk

WHITE MOUNTAIN SCHOOLS

Monday, Aug. 25 – BREAKFAST: breakfast pizza or cereal, toast, chilled fruit, milk; LUNCH: cheeseburger Mac or steak fingers, green beans, roll, fruit, milk

Tuesday, Aug. 26 – BREAKFAST: baked French toast sticks or cereal, toast, fruit, milk; LUNCH: chicken tenders w/dipping sauce or All American sub, corn, roll, fruit, milk

Wednesday, Aug. 27 – BREAKFAST: donut or cereal, chilled fruit, milk; LUNCH: lasagna or turkey pot pie, tossed salad, garlic bread, fruit, milk

Thursday, Aug. 28 – BREAKFAST: strawberry muffin or cereal, toast, juice, milk; LUNCH: grilled cheese sandwich or cheese enchiladas, tator tots, fruit, milk

Friday, Aug. 29 – BREAKFAST: breakfast burrito or cereal, toast, chilled fruit, milk; LUNCH: Warrior burger, oven fries, hamburger trimmings, fruit, milk

RUIDOSO MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOLS

Monday, Aug. 25 – BREAKFAST: pancakes w/syrup or cereal, toast, fruit, milk; LUNCH: turkey pot pie, mixed vegetables, roll fruit

Tuesday, Aug. 26 – BREAKFAST: potato and egg burrito or cereal, toast, fruit, milk; LUNCH: lasagna, tossed salad, corn, garlic bread, cherry cobbler

Wednesday, Aug. 27 – BREAKFAST: breakfast pizza or cereal, toast, juice, milk; LUNCH: salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, roll, tossed salad, fruit

Thursday, Aug. 28 – BREAKFAST: scrambled eggs or cereal, toast, fruit, milk; LUNCH: BBQ chicken on a bun, potato salad, tossed salad, fruit

Friday, Aug. 29 – BREAKFAST: glazed or cereal, toast, fruit, milk; LUNCH: cheese enchiladas, spicy pinto beans, tossed salad, fruit

Annual orientation welcomes the new and honors the 'old'

BY JULIE BAXTER
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A day before students filled the hallways with chatter and laughter, Ruidoso High School was alive with the sounds of conversation.

Ruidoso school district teachers and staff milled around the lunchroom at the high school Monday morning, munching on muffins, catching up with old friends and looking ahead to the coming school year.

After introductions by Superintendent Mike Gladden, a scripture reading and prayer from Paul Wirth, director of instructional support, and the pledge of allegiance led by fourth-grader Sergio Castañón Jr., the 1997-98 RHS student council president, Katie Lukens, took her turn at the podium and reminded all in the room that they're in it together.

Using teamwork as an acronym, Lukens outlined how each letter is important, but how they all work together as well. She said "T" is for together, "E" is for education, "A" is for attitude, "M" is for motivation, "W" is for willingness (as in willingness to take risks and willingness to meet the challenges of each day), "O" is for opportunity, "R" is for respect and "K" is for "keep up the good work."

"Through your combined efforts you have the Ruidoso school system a safe, as well as fun, place to learn and grow," Lukens said. "I know this will be a great year and I'm proud to be a part of this team."

New members and longtime members of the team also were recognized, as building administrators introduced their newest staff members and school board members handed out "years of service" awards.

New players on the Ruidoso schools' team are:

Ruidoso Middle School special education teacher Dan Bolin; White Mountain Intermediate School bilingual teacher Turid Cabada; Ruidoso High School physical education teacher and boys basketball coach Gary Grahn; and RMS counselor Dinah Hamilton.

Also, Nob Hill Early Childhood Center preschool teacher Sandra Hatch; RMS choir teacher Dan Hood; White Mountain Elementary School third-grade teacher Jennifer Johnson; WMES special education teacher Mary Ann O'Dell; Sierra Vista Primary School nurse Randi Dooley Park; RMS special education teacher Alicia Pirelli; Nob Hill nurse Bonnie Rossiter; RMS science teacher Sigurd Schmitz; RHS band teacher Robbie Stephens; district psychologist Larry Tobin; RHS special education teacher Jimmy Varnadore; RHS math teacher Larry Woods; Nob Hill Parents as Teachers instructor Adriana Castro.

Also, WMIS special education instructional assistants Sara Duttweiler and Frances Kampsky; district technology advisor Mark Hamilton; Nob Hill special education instructional assistant Sabrina Lundquist; Gavilan Canyon School instructional assistant Violet Rodela; RMS secretary Veronica Saenz; WMES Title 1 instructional assistant Jeri Sparks, and new maintenance crew member Bryan Dolan.

Service awards were given to:

• For five years – Sandra Ashcraft; Sherry Baca; Carol Bartlett; Carla Burns; Gloria Jan Carey; Bella Chavez; Sandra Emberlin; Melody Gaines; Claudia Garrett; Terrie Gillespie; Kim Graham; Eddie Hedin; Helene Kobelnyk; Elaine Koontz; Juan Lopez; Malinda Mader; Virginia Maes; Danette McNulty; Daniel McNulty; Nancy Mobley; Charlene Morgan; Jan Mullican; Franklin Rodela; Lee Ann Southard; Louis Telles; Paul Wirth; Waynta Wirth; Deanna Wright, and Colette Yuzos.

• For 10 years – Margaret Dixson; Nancy Donaldson; Herman Fox; Ron Hardeman; Bill Morris, and Borde Williams.

• For 15 years – Earl Allison; Amie Baca; Leigh Carter; Willa K Carter; Rebecca Durham; Glenda Farus; Danny Flores; Rebecca Johnston; Patricia Mulholland; Phylis Parker, and Karen Reeder.

• For 20 years – Susan Keeton.

• For 25 years – Robert Elder and Delton Estes.

For a pictorial view of the first day of classes, see page 1D

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Ruidoso schools teachers and staff dig into a breakfast buffet at Monday's orginazion.

Board sets policy on matters of life, death and medicine

BY JULIE BAXTER
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The Ruidoso School Board tackled a life-or-death issue last Tuesday night.

In an effort to be proactive and have a policy in place before a life-threatening situation may arise, the board passed a "Do Not Resuscitate" policy stating that requests by parents or physicians to withhold life-saving measures will not be honored.

The policy, passed unanimously, reads, "The board of education of the Ruidoso Public Schools believes that a decision not to resuscitate a student or initiate life-saving measures is a medical judgment best made by a physician. The school district's responsibility to make such judgments is substantially limited. The board of education takes the position that its paramount responsibility is to protect the health and well-being of all students and school personnel. Great emotional trauma could result to students and school personnel if school personnel are required to stand by, unable to render aid to a student in distress."

Board members asked whether it is within the district's power to deny such requests. Superintendent Mike Gladden said the policy had been reviewed by the district's attorney and had been found to be completely within its scope of power.

In other health matters, the board approved a new medication policy. Drafted by school nurse and health services coordinator Terrie Gillespie, the policy clarifies how medicine ranging from aspirin to antibiotics should be given to students while they're at school. A signed, dated order by the physician with specific directions and times the medicine should be taken and an authorization form signed by the parent must be completed, and drugs must be in prescription bottle, before medicine can be taken during school.

Each dose of medication must be taken under supervision from the school nurse or other personnel, and the time, date and any observations will be recorded in a standard medication log form. High school students are allowed to bring one pill to school and take it at the appropriate time if authorization from a doctor and a parent have been completed.

For nonprescription drugs, the same policy applies for students in preschool through eighth grade. Ninth- through 12th-grade students may keep nonprescription drugs with them if parents have given written authorization, if the medication is not kept in their locker and they carry only enough medicine for one day.

In other business the board heard, approved or recognized:

• A bond building projects from Gladden. Bids will be opened Friday for the construction of a kitchen at Sierra Vista Primary, with the board accepted a bid from Gentry Construction for $279,000 in a special meeting at 7:45 a.m. Monday. In the next two to three weeks bids will be taken for the roofing project at the high school, with bids then being taken for roofing at the middle school.

• A joint operating agreement with the Village of Ruidoso for the management and operation of the White Mountain Recreation Complex.

• A call for bids to pave the road leading to the recreation complex.

• Paul Crown of Lincoln Cablevision, and Ed Kinley and Buddy Fulgham of Eastern New Mexico University-Portales as Friends of Ruidoso Schools for their partnership in creating the computer networks at all of the school sites.

• News that the state Board of Education will meet in Ruidoso on Aug. 21 and 22 and the Legislative Education Study Committee will meet in Ruidoso on Aug. 18 and 19, to observe the district's multicultural program. The state board will convene at 8:30 a.m. Aug. 21 and reconvene at 8:30 a.m. Aug. 21 in the board room at the district central office.

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Bill Pratt/Ruidoso Downs
Memorize mesmerized the Ruidoso Downs Race Track crowd with his fastest qualifying run of 21.485 in the All American Futurity Trials Thursday at the racetrack. Ten 2-year-olds qualified for the $1.7 million Labor Day race.

Field finalized for 39th All American Futurity

BY JOHN EASTWOOD
RUIDOSO DOWNS PUBLICITY DIRECTOR

The field for the $1,739,017 Grade-1 All American Futurity is set.

Owning the fastest qualifying time after the 15 trials ran last Thursday at Ruidoso Downs was gelding Memorize, winner of the 12th trial heat in a crisp 21.485 seconds for the 440 yards.

After a clean break from post nine, under one-time All American Futurity-winning rider Jacky Martin, the C. Dwayne Sleepy Gilbreath-conditioned runner had a clear lane to sprint down the outside of the Ruidoso chute, and was a length back of front-runners Runaway Fortune and Brace For Fame 100 yards into the 440-yard dash.

At the midway point, the Texas-bred found his best stride and was only a half-length back of Runaway Fortune. Exploding in the final 100 yards, Memorize drew out to post a one-length win over Runaway Fortune.

Owned by Lucas Racing Inc. Allison R. Lucas Et Al of New Market, Florida, the 2-year-old son of Leaving Memories out of the Coup De Kas mare Fleur De Coup has won two of his four career starts for earnings of $6,375.

A 20-to-1 shot in the morning line, Memorize took money on the board from the outset and was bet down to 3-to-1 by post time.

Twelfth heat runner-up Runaway Fortune qualified co-fifth fastest to the All American final with a time of 21.635.

Racing in the colors of the late Carl W. Guillory, Sr. of Alexandria, La. and trained by his son Carl Jr., Runaway Fortune is a Texas-bred filly by Runaway Winner out of the Six Fortunes mare Miss Six Fortune.

Racing exclusively at Delta Downs in Louisiana, the filly won one of her three career starts with a nose defeat in the American Airlines East Region Juvenile Challenge in her race prior to heading to New Mexico.

"This is probably the greatest thing that's ever happened to me. I've roped and won championships all over, but there was no feeling like I had when this filly qualified," said Guillory, describing how he felt after learning his filly made the finals.

Ridden for the first time Thursday by Ruidoso newcomer Tanya Laib, Runaway Fortune will be one of four finalists to go postward in this year's All American with a woman in the saddle – the first time in the race's 38-year history that more than one woman has ridden in the quarter horse classic.

"I think she's going to come back better now that she's raced over the surface," Laib said of her ride's chances on Labor Day.

This Snow Is Royal, winner of the sixth trial as the 1-to-2 favorite, posted the second-fastest time of the 138 juveniles with a time of 21.515.

Under regular rider Tami Purcell, This Snow Is Royal got away in good order from post two and lay fourth in the early going, 1-1/2 lengths back of early leader Merri Music Man.

As he had done in the Rainbow Futurity trials, the full brother to 440-yard world record holder Evening Snow hit another gear halfway through the 440 yard dash and drew off to a convincing 1-1/2-length score over non-qualifier First Smart Money.

Racing for Jaramar Ltd and Partners-J. McArthur Et Al, the James McArthur-trainee has won three of four lifetime starts with all starts run over the Ruidoso Downs straightaway.

Dashin Is Easy qualified third-fastest with a time of 21.520 while winning the first heat over non-qualifier Willie Wanna Dash. Dashin Is Easy was the lone trials starter to make the final of the 19 sent postward by six-time All America Futurity-winning trainer Jack Brooks.

Last year, Brooks had three

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Almager's knockout scores big with hometown fans

BY LAURA CLYMER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Former Ruidosoan Mary Ann Almager spent more time signing autographs than throwing punches Saturday night at the Ruidoso Convention Center.

That was just fine with her.

Fresh off the easy knockout of Annie "Pink Panther" Painter, Almager beamed as she worked the hometown crowd and signed autographs.

Almager made short work of Painter who traveled a long way to step into the ring. The Atlanta, Georgia boxer lasted less than two minutes. Almager's second knock down of Painter ended the bout at the 1:31 mark of the first round, much to the delight of the 17-plus relatives in the audience.

"I'll be back (for another fight)," Almager promised after Saturday's bout. It sounded more like an apology for her quick work rather than a vow.

Almager improved her professional record to 12-1 with the win.

Results from the other bouts were:

• In the main event, Eric "Powerhouse" Holland of Alamogordo outlasted Albuquerque's Mario Ortiz in a 10-round fight, 97-95, 95-95, 97-95.

• Alamogordo's José Terrazas KO'd Ricardo Galvan of El Paso at the 2:04 mark of the second round of their welterweight bout.

• Jacob Gomez of Anthony scored a unanimous decision over Dominguez Castaneda of El Paso in a super bantamweight fight.

• Albuquerque's Frankie Archuleta outdueled counter-puncher Julian Romero of Juarez, Mexico in an unanimous decision.

(Jasper Riddle contributed to this article.)

Laura Clymer/Ruidoso News
A triumphant Mary Ann Almager pays tribute to the vocal hometown support after knocking out Annie Painter in the first round Saturday during the "Rumble in Ruidoso II" at the Ruidoso Convention Center.

At last, a champion for the men

Julie Baxter/Ruidoso News
The 1997 Men's Softball League Tournament champion Grizzlies.

Rain clouds parted long enough for the Ruidoso Men's Softball League to crown a league tournament champion Thursday.

After repeated rainouts, the final three teams received a respite and played out the tourney at Eagle Creek Sports Complex.

The Nads earned the right to play the undefeated Grizzlies after an extra-inning, 11-10 victory over Extreme.

Riding the momentum, the Nads pounded out a 19-5 win over the Grizzlies to force an "if" game. But the Grizzlies wouldn't be denied, taking the tourney with a 19-14 win.

Rick Silva was named Umpire of the Year for the men's summer softball league.

Watch out for the Mr Special Express

Brooks' 3-year-old fastest qualifier to Aug. 31 All American Derby.

BY JOHN EASTWOOD
RUIDOSO DOWNS PUBLICITY DIRECTOR

Mr Special Express annihilated six other sophomores in the second of eight trial heats and posted the fastest qualifying time of 21.30 seconds for 440 yards to the Grade-1 $257,312 All American Derby at Ruidoso Downs Friday.

Having flashed signs of brilliance at 2, most notably a close third-place finish in last year's All American Futurity, the now 3-year-old son of Special Task was riding a five-race losing streak heading into the All American trials.

Following a vastly improved effort in the Rainbow Derby trials – running second to Rainbow fastest-qualifier Deposit Cash after stumbling at the break – Mr Special Express ran an even fourth in the final of that Grade-1 event behind his stablemate Dashing Perfection.

Seeming a horse on the improve, the Jack Brooks-trainee was sent away as the even-money favorite in the second trial, with Royal Shake Em a close second choice at 8-to-5.

Following a clean break from post seven, rider G. R. Carter had Mr Special Express in the game from the outset.

Reaching the halfway mark Mr Special Express was still running on in third. He found another gear in the final 100 yards as the leaders began to wilt. Carter turned his stick down and the duo crossed the line, two lengths clear of Call Me Colours.

With the Ruidoso winds kicking in following his victory, the mark set by Mr Special Express was never in danger as the rest of the day's trials were run into a head wind of varying velocity. At the end of the day the New Mexico-bred sophomore had won the most productive heat of the day with the next four horses behind him also qualifying for the Aug. 31 All American Derby final.

A horse that seemed a notch below the best of his generation at 2, second-fastest qualifier Devine Wind turned in a powerful performance in the day's sixth trial to earn his first starting berth in a Grade-1 event as a 3-year-old.

The Timothy Cross-trained Merganser gelding posted a time of 21.47 while beating fourth-fastest qualifier Ima Calyx Kitty by three-quarters of length. Touch Of La Jolla, a nose back of Ima Calyx Kitty, also made the Derby final as the fifth-fastest qualifier.

Bred by his owner, James T. Lewter of Clovis, Devine Wind made it one-two for New Mexico breeders in the All American Derby trials.

Though only making the All American Derby final as the 10th-fastest qualifier, the Jack Brooks-trained Dashing Perfection was arguably the most impressive trial winner on the card.

Running into the strongest headwind of the day in the eighth trial heat, Robert W. Moore's Rainbow Derby victor again turned in an awesome performance in winning off by 1-1/2 lengths over non-qualifier Winlotsa Cash in 21.670. Dashing Perfection was supplemented to the All American Derby at a cost of $15,000 – the lone supplement among the 68 3-year-olds to compete in the Derby trials.

The field for the Aug. 31 All American Derby, with qualifying times in parenthesis, is as follows: Mr Special Express (21.305); Devine Wind (21.470); Rare King (21.570); Ima Calyx Kitty (21.580); Touch Of La Jolla (21.590); Call Me Colours (21.605); Royal Shake Em (21.635); Gridiron Special (21.655); Firebrand Streaker (21.665); Dashing Perfection (21.670).

Mars Blackman snaps losing streak with win in World's Championship

Bill Pratt/Ruidoso Downs
Mr Special Express outran the wind and the rest of the sophomores in the All American Derby trials.

Riding a seven-race losing streak that accounted for his entire 1996 campaign, Mars Blackman stepped onto the Ruidoso Downs track Sunday in his first start of '97 in the Grade-1 $41,338.12 World's Championship Quarter Horse Classic. The talented 5-year-old Dwayne Sleepy Gilbreath-trainee succeeded in ending his winless ways with a driving victory by a head over Streakin Kas.

A winner of eight of 10 starts as a 2-year-old for earnings of $174,606, and six of eight starts and $104,221 the following year, Mars Blackman hooked a number of the country's best older runners as a 4-year-old last year. Though he had four second-place finishes and one third-place finish, from 7 starts, to his credit, the Texas-bred ended the year winless, even though he had banked $48,012 and ran a 120 speed index in a 440-yard race – the second-highest speed index ever recorded at that distance.

Mars Blackman that speed index earned when he finished second behind Evening Snow at Turf Paradise last year when that 3-year-old turned in a world record performance of 20.94 seconds at the classic Quarter Horse distance of 440 yards.

Owned by Marilou Kelly and Charles Grannon of Sonoita, Ariz., Mars Blackman has won 15 of his 25 career starts for earnings of $347,505.

FUTURITY: Field set for Ruidoso's third jewel

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trainees in the final.

Trainer Donnie Strickland, who won the 1996 All American Futurity with Streakin Flyer, will be represented in this year's All American final by Southern Rose Ranch's fourth-fastest qualifier, Flys R Droppin. Flys R Droppin took the 15th trial by three-quarters of a length over co-tenth fastest qualifier Barrel Of Fun in a time of 21.575.

Corona Cash, the nation's leading juvenile heading into the All American Futurity trials, went postward in the fourth trial heat as a heavy favorite at 2-to-5 odds.

Following a somewhat tardy break, the First Down Dash filly was a surprising fifth with 220 yards to run. Soon after hitting the halfway point, rider Tami Purcell had the James McArthur-conditioned runner in full stride, and she willingly went on to grab the lead. Drawing clear late, Corona Cash hit the wire a one-length winner.

Dispelling any doubts of her ability to go past 350 yards, Corona Cash posted the co-fifth fastest time of 21.635. Donna McArthur, who trains the California-bred filly by First Down Dash for owners Jaramar Ltd., had little doubt of her filly's ability to go 440 yards.

"This filly really looks like she should run short, but the farther she goes, the better she's going to get," Donna McArthur said.

What makes Corona Cash's victory in the fourth heat more impressive is the feeling from her trainer and rider that her trial effort wasn't the filly's best.

"Our filly didn't get away as good as she can and Tami (Purcell) said she really didn't like that hard racetrack," McArthur added.

After the last of the 15 trials had been run, the full field for the 39th-running of the All American Futurity still was not set. Finishing in a tie for the final spot with a time of 21.685 were the undefeated Idaho-based filly Royal N Perfect and Barrel Of Fun.

A shake was held at the Ruidoso Downs Racing Office Friday morning to determine the 10th starter and Royal N Perfect won the shake and will go on to the final of the All American.

Owned by 18-year-old Mike Ivie of Riverton, Utah, Royal N Perfect takes a perfect eight-for-eight record into the Sept. 1 final.

The field for the 39th running of the Grade-1 All American Futurity, with qualifying times in parenthesis, is as follows: Memorize (21.485); This Snow Is Royal (21.515); Dashin Is Easy (21.520); Flys R Droppin (21.575); Accusatory (21.635); Corona Cash (21.635); Runaway Fortune (21.635); Honor Ease (21.655); Cautious Memories (21.660); Royal N Perfect (21.685).

FUTURITY TRIALS

Ruidoso Downs Results
All American Futurity Trials
Thursday, Aug. 14, 1997

Race 1: Purse$1200 2YO All American Fty. Trial 120 440 Yd
7 - Dashin Is Easy(GR Carter) 3.40 2.20 2.10
6 - Willie Wanta Dash(E.Garcia) 2.40 2.20
5 - Dash Unlimited(J.Martinez) 2.20
Quin 7-6 3.20 Tri 7-6-5 21.80
Winning Time :21.52

Race 2: Purse$1200 2YO All American Fty. Trial 120 440 Yd
7 - First Down Bully(GR Carter) 8.20 2.40 2.40
8 - Showcase Six(J.Martin) 2.40 2.40
6 - Leavem Leader(B.Shipley) 4.00
Quin 7-8 4.20 Tri 7-8-6 44.20
D/Dbl 7-7 12.20 Winning Time :21.83

Race 3: Purse$1200 2YO All American Fty. Trial 120 440 Yd
6 - Tolltac The Belle(T.Purcell) 6.20 4.00 2.40
5 - Im Stealing The Show(GR Carter) 9.40 3.80
1 - Secrets Dash(B.Shipley) 2.60
Quin 6-5 26.20 Tri 6-5-1 123.80
Winning Time :21.81

Race 4: Purse$1200 2YO All American Fty. Trial 120 440 Yd
7 - Corona Cash(T.Purcell) 2.80 2.40 2.40
1 - Runaway Wave(J.Martin) 4.20 3.00
5 - Real Tacky Lady(L.Payne) 2.60
Quin 7-1 12.60 Tri 7-1-5 44.40
Winning Time :21.63

Race 5: Purse$1200 2YO All American Fty. Trial 120 440 Yd
1 - Bye Bye Chicks(L.Payne) 4.00 3.40 3.00
4 - Incredible Barb(T.Purcell) 4.00 3.20
8 - Sheza Eye Opener(GR Carter) 4.60
Quin 1-4 16.00 Tri 1-4-8 182.00
Ex 1-4 20.20
Winning Time :21.85

Race 6: Purse$1200 2YO All American Fty. Trial 120 440 Yd
2 - This Snow Is Royal(T.Purcell) 3.00 2.10 2.10
9 - First Smart Money(GR Carter) 2.10 2.10
8 - Character Counts(J.Martin) 3.80
Quin 2-9 3.40 Tri 2-9-8 5.10
T/Tri exchanges: 882 Winning Time 21.51

Race 7: Purse$1200 2YO All American Fty. Trial 120 440 Yd
8 - A Special Strait(J.Martinez) 13.00 4.40 3.20
9 - Hot Eye(J.Badilla,Jr.) 4.00 3.20
5 - Mr Eye In The Sky(GR Carter) 3.40
Quin 8-9 14.00 Tri 8-9-5 96.40
T/Tri 3464.10 Winning Time :21.80

Race 8: Purse$1200 2YO All American Fty. Trial 120 440 Yd
9 - Bed A Chick(L.Payne) 14.00 7.80 4.60
8 - Dollyx(J.Badilla,Jr) 8.00 5.60
6 - Slick Treasure(J.Martin) 4.60
Quin 9-8 113.40 Tri 9-8-6 2364.80
Winning Time :21.87

Race 9: Purse$1200 2YO All American Fty. Trial 120 440 Yd
10 - Fashionable Late(B.Shipley) 13.40 5.40 3.20
3 - Outlaw Dasher(T.Purcell) 3.40 2.60
9 - Good Timin Hank(GR Carter) 2.40
Quin 10-3 12.80 Tri 10-3-9 81.80
Winning Time :21.87

Race 10: Purse$1200 2YO All American Fty. Trial 120 440 Yd
4 - Royal N Perfect (Cammin Papineau) 6.60 4.20 3.20
8 - Royalanon(J.Martin) 7.20 4.80
1 - Four Six Dash(GR Carter) 6.40
Quin 4-8 54.00 Tri 4-8-1 674.20
Winning Time :21.68

Race 11: Purse$1200 2YO All American Fty. Trial 120 440 Yd
7 - Accusatory(K.Hart) 7.40 3.80 3.60
1 - Stardust Dash(GR Carter) 3.80 3.60
8 - Getaway Fugitive(J.Rodriguez) 5.60
Quin 7-1 18.80 Tri 7-1-8 183.40
Winning Time :21.63

Race 12: Purse$1200 2YO All American Fty. Trial 120 440 Yd
9 - Memorize(J.Martin) 8.20 5.00 3.80
4 - Runaway Fortune(T.Laib) 5.00 3.60
3 - The Informant(S.Estrada,Jr.) 3.60
Quin 9-4 17.80 Tri 9-4-3 134.60
Winning Time :21.48

Race 13: Purse$1200 2YO All American Fty. Trial 120 440 Yd
1 - Honor Ease(N.Summers) 10.00 2.80 2.60
6 - Cautious Memories(J.Martin) 2.40 2.20
3 - Beduinos Bolero(T.Purcell) 3.00
Quin 1-6 3.20 Tri 1-6-3 139.60
Winning Time :21.65

Race 14: Purse$1200 2YO All American Fty. Trial 120 440 Yd
5 - Illegal Runaway(J.Martin) 3.60 2.80 2.60
9 - Magic Em Up(J.Badilla,Jr.) 5.80 3.40
2 - Take A Pass(GR Carter) 9.00
Quin 5-9 16.00 Tri 5-9-2 686.60
Ex 5-9 23.40 Winning Time :21.81

Race 15: Purse$1200 2YO All American Fty. Trial 120 440 Yd
10 - Flys R Droppin(J.Brooks) 5.00 3.00 2.20
1 - Barrel Of Fun(GR Carter) 5.40 2.60
2 - Slice Of Victory(K.Hart) 2.20
Quin 10-1 20.60 Tri 10-1-2 50.80
Trp 1-5-10 51.40 Winning Time :21.57
Attendance: 2,592 Handle: $449,782

American flashback – 1959

Courtesy photo

The first All American futurity winner, Galobar.

Galobar gallantly outran the rest

BY JOHN EASTWOOD
RUIDOSO DOWNS PUBLICITY DIRECTOR

Up until Labor Day, Sept. 1, this column will look back at a past All American Futurity champion. For those who were there in any of the years examined, the images will come quickly to mind.

The mere mention of these champions names is enough to send a chill up the spine. The rousing battles that have tested equine courage define Ruidoso and remain permanently etched in the memories of those close to the sport. The All American Futurity, the icon of quarter horse racing, has been run at Ruidoso Downs every Labor Day since 1959.

Labor Day, Sept. 7, 1959
Weather: Clear
Track: Fast

Sept. 7, 1959 marked the beginning of a Labor Day tradition with the inaugural running of the All American Futurity.

The first edition of what has evolved into quarter horse racing's most prestigious event figured to be a contentious affair.

As the field paraded to the post, five entrants – Miss Olene, Galobar, Real Gone, and the coupled entry of Panama Ace and Explosive – vied for favoritism.

With Miss Olene at 5-to-2, Panama Ace and Explosive at 3-to-1, Galobar at 7-to-2 and Real Gone at 4-to-1, the five would enter the gate with a nearly equal distribution of public sentiment in their corners. The other five runners in the 1959 field went postward at double-digit odds.

When the gate sprung open in the first All American Futurity the field, with the exception of longshot Tonta Lass who lost her rider, got away cleanly and dashed down the Ruidoso Downs stretch with little separating them.

Midway through the 400-yard sprint it was the outsider Mary Sunshine clinging to a slim advantage over favored Miss Olene. Real Gone was just off her with Galobar another head back in fourth.

Put to a drive by her rider Clifford Lambert, Galobar accelerated past the tiring leaders 100 yards from home. Out-kicking her opponents in the final yards, the sorrel filly hit the wire a half-length better than Panama Ace, the latter having mounted a furious late charge after being outrun early in seventh. Miss Olene held on gamely for third a neck back of Panama Ace.

Racing for owner/breeder Hugh Huntley, Galobar took home $64,843 of the first All American Futurity's $129,686 purse.

Conditioned by Newton Keck, Galobar was a daughter of Three Bars, out of the Raffles mare Josephine R. For Keck, the '59 All American was the first of his three wins in the quarter horse classic. As a duo, Keck and Huntley also teamed to win the 1961 All American with Pokey Bar.

Galobar rewarded her backers among the holiday crowd with a $9.10 win payoff.

The next chapter in the history of this great race will be written Monday, Sept. 1, with the 39th running of the All American Futurity.

RACE RESULTS

Ruidoso Downs Results
August 15, 1997

Race 1: Purse$1200 3YO All American Derby Trial 120 440 Yd
3 - Rare King(GR Carter) 4.00 3.20 2.60
8 - Gettin It Gone(B.Perez) 9.00 4.80
6 - Spill Perfume(K.Hart) 4.60
Quin 3-8 28.20 Tri 3-8-6 293.20
Winning Time :21.57

Race 2: Purse$1200 3YO All American Derby Trial 120 440 Yd
8 - Mr Special Express(GR Carter) 4.00 3.60 2.20
1 - Call Me Colours(J.Brooks) 14.80 4.40
3 - Royal Shake Em(R.Vallejo) 2.40
Quin 8-1 57.80 Tri 8-1-3 185.40
D/Dbl 3-8 8.40 Winning Time :21.30
Scratched: 2 - Speedy Empress

Race 3: Purse$1200 3YO All American Derby Trial 120 440 Yd
4 - Go Go Cash Man(JR Hobbie) 27.00 7.40 3.80
7 - Streakin Flyer(L.Layton) 3.00 2.60
2 - Lead Story(A.Baldillez,Jr) 3.00
Quin 4-7 19.60 Tri 4-7-2 40.00
T/Tri exchanges: 46 Winning Time :21.80

Race 4: Purse$1200 3YO All American Derby Trial 120 440 Yd
3 - Our Liquidator(T.Purcell) 6.20 4.00 2.80
1 - Real Runaway(J.Martinez) 5.00 2.80
6 - Rare Ruler(J.Martin) 3.00
Quin 3-1 20.80 Tri 3-1-6 86.40
T/Tri 3738.60 Winning Time :21.68

Race 5: Purse$1200 3YO All American Derby Trial 120 440 Yd
3 - The Ravin Maniac(GR Carter) 3.60 3.00 2.40
β - Whip Hand(J.Badilla,Jr.) 9.40 5.80
6 - Flare For Toby(L.Payne) 6.40
Quin 3-8 26.00 Tri 3-8-6 345.60
Ex 3-8 55.40 Winning Time :21.75

Race 6: Purse$1200 3YO All American Derby Trial 120 440 Yd
5 - Devine Wind(J.Rodriguez) 26.80 7.80 4.80
7 - Ima Calyx Kitty(J.Badilla,Jr.) 4.80 3.20
2 - Touch Of La Jolla(J.Martinez) 5.60
Quin 5-7 30.40 Tri 5-7-2 412.40
Winning Time :21.47 Scratched: 4 - Such Easy Cash

Race 7: Purse$1200 3YO All American Derby Trial 120 440 Yd
7 - Deposit Cash(K.Hart) 3.80 3.40 2.40
8 - Jack The Lad(B.Shipley) 21.40 4.20
6 - Toast To Dash(T.Purcell) 2.60
Quin 7-8 55.60 Tri 7-8-6 224.60
Winning Time :21.75

Race 8: Purse$1200 3YO All American Derby Trial 120 440 Yd
7 - Dashing Perfection(GR Carter) 3.00 2.60 2.40
6 - Winlotsa Cash(J.Badilla,Jr.) 5.60 4.20
2 - Its All Memories(B.Shipley) 5.20
Quin 7-6 11.20 Tri 7-6-2 121.20
Ex 7-6 12.80 Winning Time :21.67

Race 9: Purse$2000 MDN 2YO 118 5 1/2 Fur
8(Dead Heat) Mesquite Cowboy(R.Thedford) 16.60 13.80 8.60
9(Dead Heat) Open Choice(J.Martinez) 4.40 3.80 3.40
5 - La Migra(V.Smallwood) 3.80
Quin 8-9 67.40 Tri 8-9-5 342.60 Tri 9-8-5 175.00 Trp 7-7-8 15.60
Winning Time 1:06.0 Trp 7-7-9 15.60
Attendance: 2,540 Handle: $289,297

Ruidoso Downs Results
August 16, 1997

Race 1: Purse$1800 MDN 2YO 120 Clm$5000 330 Yd
10 - A Fortune Teller(B.Shipley) 8.40 5.60 3.60
1 - Lady Of Authority(T.Fincher) 12.00 5.80
2 - Dreaming(J.Rodriguez) 4.00
Quin 10-1 55.40 Tri 10-1-2 302.00
Winning Time :17.01

Race 2: Purse$1900 MDN 3YO 120 300 Yd
3 - Silver Young Devil(J.Rodriguez) 7.40 3.60 2.80
5 - JRS Fortune(J.Maldonado) 3.60 3.00
6 - Strait For The Cash(M.Meador) 5.00
Quin 3-5 10.00 Tri 3-5-6 222.60
D/Dbl 10-3 32.00 Winning Time :15.55

Race 3: Purse$1900 3YO&UP N/W3 120/122 Clm$3200 350 Yd
5 - Arise Runnin(B.Shipley) 4.60 3.20 2.80
4 - Whata Easy Flight(B.Perez) 6.20 4.40
10 - Sign In Cash(S.Estrada,Jr.) 4.60
Quin 5-4 19.00 Tri 5-4-10 47.10
T/Tri exchanges: 45 Winning Time :18.01
Scratched: 3 - Awinnintoast

Race 4: Purse$1900 ST/MT 1,2,3 3YO&UP 116/121 Clm$2500 6 Fur
7 - Slew West(J.Maldonado) 22.40 10.60 5.60
5 - Bojo(C.Rivas) 8.00 4.60
4 - Do It Again Don(V.Smallwood) 5.20
Quin 7-5 42.60 Tri 7-5-4 247.20
T/Tri carryover: $4308 Winning Time: 1:12.3 Scratched: 10 - Rose U Seven

Race 5: Purse$1900 MDN 3YO 120 440 Yd
10 - Lil Victory Flame(J.Santos) 3.20 2.80 2.80
6 - Glass Mountain Dew(S.Sherbino) 6.60 4.60
5 - Last Hustling Star(J.Hunt) 6.40
Quin 10-6 17.40 Tri 10-6-5 138.20
Winning Time :22.09

Race 6: Purse$1900 3YO&UP N/W2 116/121 Clm$2500 6 Fur
5 - Moore Blind Love(D.Sterling) 16.20 5.00 3.80
2 - Versailles Park(Q.Ilu) 3.60 3.40
3 - Cielo Rojo(M.Fuentes) 5.00
Quin 5-2 26.60 Tri 5-2-3 372.40
Winning Time :21.68

Race 11: Purse$1200 2YO All American Fty. Trial 120 440 Yd
7 - Accusatory(K.Hart) 7.40 3.80 3.60
1 - Stardust Dash(GR Carter) 3.80 3.60
8 - Getaway Fugitive(J.Rodriguez) 5.60
Quin 7-1 18.80 Tri 7-1-8 183.40
Winning Time :21.63

Race 12: Purse$1200 2YO All American Fty. Trial 120 440 Yd
9 - Memorize(J.Martin) 8.20 5.00 3.80
4 - Runaway Fortune(T.Laib) 5.00 3.60
3 - The Informant(S.Estrada,Jr.) 3.60
Quin 9-4 17.80 Tri 9-4-3 134.60
Winning Time :21.48

Race 13: Purse$1200 2YO All American Fty. Trial 120 440 Yd
1 - Honor Ease(N.Summers) 10.00 2.80 2.60
6 - Cautious Memories(J.Martin) 2.40 2.20
3 - Beduinos Bolero(T.Purcell) 3.00
Quin 1-6 3.20 Tri 1-6-3 139.60
Winning Time :21.65

Race 14: Purse$1200 2YO All American Fty. Trial 120 440 Yd
5 - Illegal Runaway(J.Martin) 3.60 2.80 2.60
9 - Magic Em Up(J.Badilla,Jr.) 5.80 3.40
2 - Take A Pass(GR Carter) 9.00
Quin 5-9 16.00 Tri 5-9-2 686.60
Ex 5-9 23.40 Winning Time :21.81

Race 15: Purse$1200 2YO All American Fty. Trial 120 440 Yd
10 - Flys R Droppin(J.Brooks) 5.00 3.00 2.20
1 - Barrel Of Fun(GR Carter) 5.40 2.60
2 - Slice Of Victory(K.Hart) 2.20
Quin 10-1 20.60 Tri 10-1-2 50.80
Trp 1-5-10 51.40 Winning Time :21.57
Attendance: 2,592 Handle: $449,782

Winning Time 1:11.4

Race 7: Purse$1900 4YO&UP N/W 5/23 121 Clm$2500 7 1/2 Fur
7 - Bel Purdue(J.Martinez) 7.80 4.00 2.20
4 - Cowboy Coffee(T.Fincher) 3.40 2.20
2 - Bobs Bikini(J.Maldonado) 2.20
Quin 7-4 11.00 Tri 7-4-2 56.00
Winning Time 1:33.4 Scratched: 1 - No More Norm

Race 8: Purse$2200 3YO&UP N/W2 120/122 Clm$10000 550 Yd
6 - Race N Run(T.Laib) 17.00 6.60 6.20
4 - Marisini Moon(S.Estrada,Jr.) 12.60 6.20
1 - Glittering Moon Dash(D.Sterling) 6.60
Quin 6-4 66.80 Tri 6-4-1 917.40
Winning Time :27.64

Race 9: Purse$3800 3YO&UP NMB 116/121 Clm$10000 6 Fur
2 - I Like Westerns(M.Fuentes) 10.60 2.60 2.60
1 - Bold Classy(J.Martinez) 2.60 2.20
7 - Porch Talk(J.Maldonado) 2.80
Quin 2-1 5.40 Tri 2-1-7 78.80
Ex 2-1 19.40 Winning Time 1:10.4
Scratched: 3 - Herewego, 6 - My Special Ego

Race 10: Purse$1900 4YO&UP N/W 5/23 121 Clm$2500 7 1/2 Fur
3 - Believe In Stars(J.Martinez) 15.40 6.00 3.80
8 - Onemorebird(A.Fuentes) 4.00 2.80
2 - El Travieso(K.Roller) 3.60
Quin 3-8 23.00 Tri 3-8-2 718.00
Trp 8-2-3 460.80 Winning Time 1:34.2
Attendance: 3,795 Handle: $287,293

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Race 1: Purse$1900 Mdn[F] 2YO 120 400 Yd
5 - Heart Sparks(T.Laib) 18.40 6.40 3.40
3 - Smooth Traffic(J.Martinez) 3.00 2.60
8 - Spacial Quick Dash(S.Estrada,Jr.) 3.00
Quin 5-3 11.40 Tri 5-3-8 78.00
Winning Time :20.28

Race 2: Purse$2000 MDN 2YO 118 5 1/2 Fur
2 - So Many Weapons(M.Fuentes) 8.40 3.60 3.40
5 - Hyper Jo(B.Shipley) 4.40 4.20
6 - Park and Spark(B.Perez) 4.20
Quin 2-5 16.60 Tri 2-5-6 896.40 D/Dbl 5-2 54.40 Winning Time 1:07.4

Race 3: Purse$1900 3YO&UP 120/122 Clm$2500 1000 Yd
1A - Bullion Powder(V.Smallwood) 8.40 7.60 4.80
1 - Canoochee Sam(B.Shipley) 8.40 7.60
3 - Narbonne High(S.Sherbino) 4.20
Quin 1-3 17.00 Tri 1-3-8 21.30 T/Tri exchanges: 83 Winning Time :53.36 Scratched: Comeback Norma Jean

Race 4: Purse$1900 MDN 3YO&UP 116/121 Clm$2500 5 1/2 Fur
1 - State Stuff(C.Rivas) 14.60 4.80
5 - Dark Thirty(M.Fuentes) 3.20 2.80
7 - Quiet Music(J.Arteaga) 5.00
Quin 1-5 11.60 Tri 1-5-7 487.20
T/Tri carryover: 7911.85 Winning Time 1:07.1

Race 5: Purse$1900 3YO&UP N/W 3 120/122 Clm$5000 870 Yd
3 - Little Tobin(S.Sherbino) 5.20 3.00 2.60
6 - Reckless Spyrica(S.Estrada,Jr.) 4.00 2.80
1 - Paint Minute(J.Martinez) 3.80
Quin 2-6 6.60 Tri 2-6-1 29.20
Ex 2-6 10.40 Winning Time :46.36

Race 6: Purse$3100 2YO N/W 2 Alw 118 5 1/2 Fur
4 - The Soul Express(C.Rivas) 8.20 4.20 4.00
3 - My Funny Valentine(J.Maldonado) 9.00 5.00
7 - Carisquina(M.Fuentes) 4.00
Quin 4-3 79.20 Tri 4-3-1 914.00
Winning Time 1:03.2 Scratched: 2 - Soft Stuff

Mars Blackman took the World's Championship Quarter Horse Classic.

Race 7: Purse$10000 added 3YO&UP NMB Speed Hdcp 6 Fur
5 - Prime Connection(M.Fuentes) 16.40 6.80 4.00
3 - Brave Jack(J.Martinez) 15.20 6.00
4 - Proud and Jivey(V.Smallwood) 4.40
Quin 5-3 137.20 Tri 5-3-4 2657.80
Winning Time 1:10.2

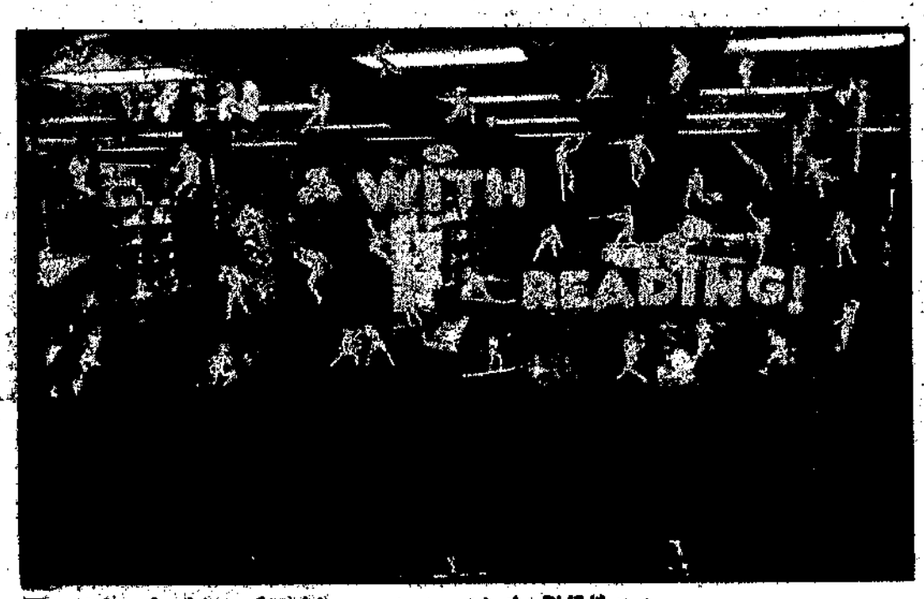
Race 8: Purse$15000 added 3YO&UP WCQH Classic 120/122 440 Yd
3 - Mars Blackman(L.Layton) 13.00 5.20 3.60
10 - Streakin Kas(J.Martin) 4.60 3.00
5 - Now I Know(K.Hart) 2.80
Quin 3-10 44.20 Tri 3-10-5 262.40
Winning Time :21.46

Race 9: Purse$2700 3YO&UP NMB 116/121 Clm$3200 6 Fur
7 - Al Prince(C.Rivas) 4.00 3.00 2.20
3 - Full Touch(K.Roller) 4.20 2.80
2 - Strummer(J.Martinez) 2.40
Quin 7-3 11.20 Tri 7-3-2 36.80
Trp 8-8-7 729.80 Winning Time 1:12.2
Attendance: 2,940 Handle: $218,782

Day 1

(and just 179 to go, kids)

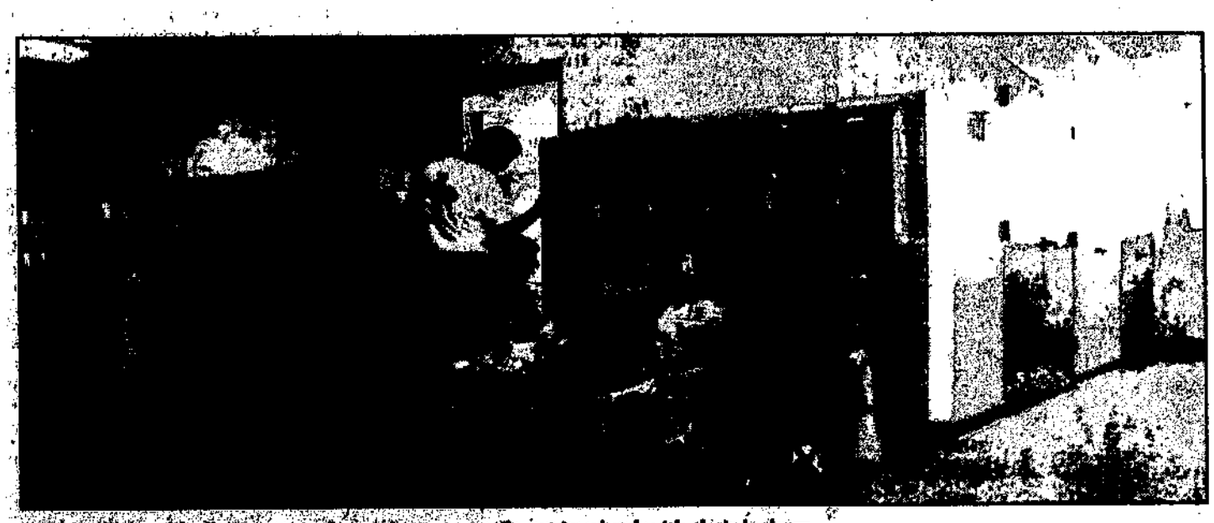
Arriving for the first day of classes at Ruidoso Middle School.



The serious business of studying was apparent in the RHS library.

A bit of last-minute registration at Ruidoso High.

Middle School classes were under way by 9 a.m.



Middle School hallways were busy places as pupils got involved with their lockers.

School started for a new term Tuesday for students at Ruidoso Middle School and Ruidoso High School. The bells rang in earnest for classes this (Wednesday) morning at the White Mountain complex.

Signs were everywhere Tuesday that the periodic swing of life for young people was in effect: Caution signs (and police) were visible and 15-mile-per-hour speed limit lights were blinking along White Mountain Road as parents and children arrived for orientation.

At the Middle School, those moving up after years at White Mountain were struggling with hall lockers and looking just a little bit lost.

At Ruidoso High, students were settled into their seats and teachers were hard at work by 9 a.m.; only a few seemed a bit disconcerted.

But ... with a bright sun slanting into east windows and cafeteria workers already making pizza, all seemed right in academe on Aug. 19, 1997.

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A full parking lot and a few late arrivals made up the scene at Ruidoso High School on Tuesday morning.

Bus routes posted for schools

Following are the bus routes for Ruidoso schools:

• Bus #1 - grades kindergarten through sixth grade.

Departs the bus barn at 7:30 a.m. for pickup at Walnut and Hood at 7:30 a.m.; pickup at Walnut and Reese at 7:32 a.m.; pickup at 107 Meander at 7:34 a.m.; pickup at 247 Meander at 7:56; pickup 147 Meander at 7:57 a.m.; pickup at 118 Meander at 7:58 a.m.; pickup at 101 Meander at 7:59 a.m.; pickup at Paradise and Meander at 7:40 a.m.; pickup at Hart and Paradise at 7:42 a.m.; pickup at Circle and Paradise 7:43 a.m.; pickup at Country Club and Lookout at 7:47 a.m.; pickup at Country Club and North at 7:48; pickup at 127 Rowan at 7:49 a.m.; pickup at Rowan and Lower Terrace at 7:50 p.m.; pickup at 133 Lower Terrace at 7:51 a.m.; Lower Terrace and Rainbow at 7:52 a.m.; pickup at 106 Wiley at 7:56 a.m.; pickup at Heath and Encanto at 7:58 a.m.; pickup at Heath and Encanto at 8 a.m.; pickup at 118 Kirkman at 8:01 a.m.; pickup at Innsbrook and Mesa at 8:02 a.m.; pickup at Mesa and Devon Court at 8:03 a.m. Drop off at White Mountain Elementary at 8:08 a.m.; drop off at White Mountain Intermediate at 8:10 a.m.; drop off at Sierra Vista Primary at 8:11 a.m. and drop off at Nob Hill Early Childhood Center at 8:24 a.m.

Bus departs Nob Hill at 2:36 p.m.; Sierra Vista Primary at 2:52 p.m.; White Mountain Elementary at 3:03 p.m. and White Mountain Elementary at 3:03 p.m. Students will be dropped off at Heath and Encanto at 3:16 p.m.; Kirkman and Heath at 3:17 p.m.; 118 Kirkman at 3:18 p.m.; Innsbrook at 3:19 p.m.; Devon Court at 3:19 p.m.; 106 Wiley at 3:21 p.m.; Country Club and Buckner at 3:23 p.m.; Lower Terrace and Rainbow at 3:25 p.m.; Lower Terrace and Eagle at 3:27 p.m.; Rowan and Lower Terrace at 3:28 p.m.; Rowan at 3:29 p.m.; Country Club and North at 3:30 p.m.; Country Club 240 at 3:32 p.m.; Country Club and Lookout at 3:33 p.m.; 469 Paradise at 3:34 p.m.; Paradise Curve at 3:36 p.m.; Paradise and Hart at 3:37 p.m.; 134 Paradise at 3:39 p.m.; Paradise and Meander at 3:40 p.m.; 101 Meander at 3:41 p.m.; 119 Meander at 3:42 p.m.; 126 Meander at 3:43 p.m.; 136 Meander at 3:44 p.m.; Apt. A Meander at 3:44 p.m.; Walnut and Reese at 3:45 p.m.; Walnut and Reese at 3:45 p.m.; 320 Walnut at 3:46 p.m.; 310 Walnut at 3:47 p.m.; and to the central office at 3:48 p.m. Back to the bus barn at 4 p.m.

• Bus #2 – fifth and sixth grades.

Departs the bus barn at 7 a.m.; pickup at Burger King at 7:12 a.m.; at Sierra SW at 7:15 a.m.; at Budget Motel at 7:16 a.m.; at Cowboys Trailer Park at 7:17 a.m.; at Heights Drive at 7:18 a.m.; at Zia Gas and Silver Drive at 7:19 a.m.; at Harris and Downs Drive at 7:20 a.m.; at West and Harris at 7:22 a.m.; at Agua Fria at 7:25 a.m.; at Circle B at 7:28 a.m.; at Palo Verde Slopes at 7:28 a.m.; at Back Forty at 7:32 a.m.; at Vicki's Dog Grooming at 7:34 a.m.; at Biscuit Hill at 7:35 a.m.; at Christian School at 7:40 a.m.; at Hollywood Mart at 7:51 a.m .; at Willow Trailer Park at 7:52 a.m.; at Camelot at 7:52 a.m. Drop off at White Mountain Intermediate at 8:06 a.m.; Sierra Vista Primary at 8:08 a.m. and Nob Hill at 8:15 a.m. Returns to bus barn at 8:15 a.m.

Departs White Mountain Intermediate at 3:10 p.m., drops off at Burger King at 3:20 p.m.; at Sierra SW at 3:32 p.m.; at Budget Motel at 3:33 p.m.; Cowboys Trailer Park at 3:35 p.m.; Heights Drive at 3:36 p.m.; Zia Gas at 3:37 p.m.; Harris and Downs Drive at 3:38 p.m.; at West and Harris at 3:39 p.m.; at Parnell and Harris at 3:40 p.m.; Agua Fria at 3:34 p.m.; at Circle B at 3:45 p.m.; at Palo Verde Slopes at 3:47 p.m.; at Back Forty at 3:51 p.m.; at Vicki's Dog Grooming at 3:53 p.m .; at Christian School at 3:56 p.m.; at North Parnell at 3:58 p.m.; at River Park at 4 p.m. Returns to bus barn at 4:05 p.m.

• Bus #3 – grades K through 6th

Super Select, Valley Video, Glencoe through Biscuit Hill, Palo Verde, Verde Slopes, River Park, Spaghetti Flats and Willow Tree Trailer Park. Pickup and drop off times were not available.

• Bus #4 – grades 7th through 12th

Flying J and Highway 48, Rancho Ruidoso, Alto, Gavilan Canyon, Eagle Creek, Fawn Ridge, Hull Road, Mountainside, Nogal Place, High Loop, Gavilan Canyon at Hull's Hideaway. Pickup and dropoff times were not available.

• Bus #5 – grades K through 6th

Pickup at Teepee Cabins at 7:19 a.m.; Thriftway at 7:25 a.m.; Crow's Nest Mart at 7:26 a.m.; at Condo at 7:26 a.m.; at Springs at 7:27 p.m.; Mont Blanc at 7:32 a.m.; Third dirt road on the right at 7:34 a.m.; past Swiss Chalet at 7:36 a.m.; Gavilan and Mechem (turn around) at 7:28 a.m.; Alpine Village Road 7:36 a.m.; Pizza Hut 7:44 a.m.; Ranger Station at 7:45 a.m.; Allsup's at 7:46 a.m.; Gary Lynch Realty at 7:51 a.m.; at Thunderbird Lodge at 7:52 a.m. Drop off at White Mountain Elementary at 8 a.m.; at White Mountain Intermediate at 8:03 a.m. and Sierra Vista at 8:05 a.m.

Departs Nob Hill at 2:40 p.m., Sierra Vista at 2:56 p.m., White Mountain Intermediate and Elementary at 3:05 p.m. Drop off at Allsup's on Mechem at 3:16 p.m.; at Duran Duran at 3:18 p.m.; at Casa Blanca at 3:20 p.m.; at Gary Lynch Realty at 3:21 p.m.; at Thunderbird Lodge at 3:23 p.m.; at Bush Ski Shop at 3:24 p.m.; at Teepee Cabins at 3:27 p.m.; at Mark Condos at 3:29 p.m.; at Sierra Ice and Water at 3:30 p.m.; at Mechem and Innsbrook at 3:31 p.m.; at A-Frame Cabins at 3:32 p.m.; at Farley's at 3:35 p.m.; at Springs at 3:37 p.m.; at Mont Blanc at 3:38 p.m.; at the third dirt road past Swiss Chalet at 3:43 p.m.; at Alpine Village Road at 3:45 p.m.; at Pizza Hut at 3:47 p.m. and Ranger Station at 3:51 p.m.

• Bus #6 – 7th through 12th

Pickup at Teepee Cabins at 7:16 a.m; at Thriftway at 7:16 a.m.; at Mark Condos at 7:17 a.m.; at Aspen Lodge at 7:17 a.m.; at Rainbow Center at 7:21 a.m.; at The Springs at 7:22; Mont Blanc at 7:23 a.m.; Alto Store at 7:26 a.m.; at Swiss Chalet at 7:29 a.m.; Alpine Village Road at 7:31 a.m.; Pizza Hut at 7:32 a.m.; Barnet Carpet at 7:35 a.m.; Forest Service at 7:36 a.m.; Allsup's at 7:37 a.m.; at Ponderosa Heights at 7:38 a.m.; Lookout Manor at 7:40 a.m.; Apache Village at 7:50 a.m.; Brady Canyon Road at 7:40 a.m. Drop off at Ruidoso High School at 7:53 a.m.; Gavilan Canyon School at 7:53 a.m. and Ruidoso Middle School at 8 a.m.

Departs RHS at 3 p.m., RMS at 3:10 p.m. Drop off at Teepee Cabins at 3:20 p.m., Thriftway at 3:21 p.m., Crow's Nest at 3:23 p.m.; at Innsbrook Village at 3:26 p.m.; at Mystic Pines at 3:30 p.m.; at Rainbow Center at 3:34 p.m.; at The Springs at 3:36 p.m.; at Mont Blanc at 3:37 p.m.; at Swiss Chalet at 3:40 p.m.; at Alpine Village at 3:45 p.m.; Pizza Hut at 3:47 p.m.; at Sierra Glass at 3:50 p.m.; at Forest Service at 3:51 p.m.; at Allsup's 3:53 p.m.; at Ponderosa Heights 3:54 p.m.; Lookout Manor at 3:56 p.m., Apache Village at 3:57 p.m.; Brady Canyon Road at 3:58 p.m.

• Bus #7 – K through 2nd

Pena Canyon, down Sudderth from Alpine Lodge to Allsup's on Lower Sudderth. Pickup and drop off times were not available.

• Bus #8 – 7th through 12th

Pickup at Circle B RV at 7:02 a.m.; at Vickie's Dog Grooming 7:05 a.m.; Biscuit Hill at 7:07 a.m.; Hondo Dog Grooming at 7:10 a.m.; Draper Horse Farm at 7:12 a.m.; at Green Acres RV Park at 7:12 a.m.; at Downs Feed Store at 7:13 a.m.; at 110 N. Central at 7:14 a.m.; at Central and Parnell at 7:14 a.m.; at 331 Central 7:15; at 335 Central at 7:16 a.m.; River Lane/Riverview at 7:17 a.m.; at 315 River Lane 7:18 a.m.; at 429 River Lane at 7:19 a.m.; at River Lane and Parker Road at 7:23 a.m.; at 329 Parker at 7:24 a.m.; at Champions Run Condos at 7:25 a.m.; at entrance road and North Street at 7:27 a.m.; at North Street and Highland Road at 7:30 a.m.; at #1 Heights Drive and U.S. Highway 70 at 7:33 a.m.; at Short Drive at Zia Gas at 7:35 a.m.; at Willows Trailer Park at 7:40 p.m.; at Camelot Drive and U.S. 70 at 7:45 a.m.; at Lancashire and U.S. 70 at 7:47 a.m. Drop off at RMS at 7:50 a.m.; at RHS at 8 a.m.

Departs RHS at 3 p.m., RMS at 3:12 p.m. Drop off at Willow Trailer Park at 3:20 p.m.; at Camelot Drive and U.S. 70 at 3:23 p.m.; Lancashire Road and U.S. 70 at 3:24 p.m.; at Hobbs Drive and U.S. 70 at 3:31 p.m.; at Short Drive and U.S. 70 at 3:32 p.m.; Champions Run Condos at 3:33 p.m.; at 170 N. Central at 3:35 p.m.; at River Lane and Riverview at 3:36 p.m.; at 315 River Lane at 3:38 p.m.; at 429 River Lane at 3:39 p.m.; at River Lane and Parker Road at 3:40 p.m.; at 369 Parker Road at 3:42 p.m.; at Dunlap Feed Store at 3:42 p.m.; at Circle B RV Park at 3:45 p.m.; at Vickie's Dog Grooming at 3:46 p.m.; at Biscuit Hill at 3:47 p.m.; at Hondo Dog Grooming at 3:48 p.m.; at Draper Horse Farm at 3:400 p.m. at Green Acres Trailer Park at 3:51 p.m.

• Bus #9 – third through sixth

Pickup at Penn Scott at 7:20 a.m.; Magenah at 7:20 a.m.; Cochise at 7:21 a.m.; Nachie at 7:22 a.m.; Penn Scott #415 at 7:24 a.m.; at Naizille at 7:25 a.m.; at 809 Penn at 7:26 a.m.; at 819 Penn at 7 a.m.; Warrior at 7:28 a.m.; 1105 Penn at 7:29 a.m.; at Nana at 7:30 a.m.; at #1217 Penn at 7:31 a.m.; at 1209 Penn and 1200 Penn at 7:33 a.m.; Negrito at 7:34 a.m.; Chief at 7:35 a.m.; Peso at 7:36 a.m.; Chimuth at 7:37 a.m.; Mescalin at 7:38 a.m.; 252 Penn at 7:39 a.m.; Carrizo Trails at 7:44 a.m. ; #29 at 7:45 a.m.; #17 at 7:46 a.m.; #21 at 7:47 a.m.; #24 at 7:49 a.m. Depart at 7:55 a.m.; Junction 13C at 7:56 a.m.; Junction 121 at 7:57 a.m.; Camelot at 7:58 a.m. Drop off at White Mountain Elementary at 8:10 a.m.; at White Mountain Intermediate at 8:12 a.m.

Departs White Mountain schools at 2:55 p.m. Drop off at Deposito at 3:10 p.m.; 13C Junction at 3:11 p.m.; at 121 Junction at 3:12 p.m.; at Camelot at 3:27 p.m., at Carrizo Trail 3:36 to 3:39 p.m.; Penn Scott at 3:41 p.m.; Magenah at 3:42 p.m.; Cochise at 3:43 p.m.; Nashie at 3:44 p.m.; 415 Penn at 3:45 p.m.; 416 Penn at 3:46 p.m.; Santana at 3:47 p.m.; Naizille at 3:48 p.m.; 809 Penn at 3:48 p.m.;819 Penn at 3:50 p.m.; Peso at 3:51 p.m.; Chief at 3:52 p.m.; Warrior at 3:53 p.m.; Negrito at 3:54 p.m.; 1105 Penn at 3:55 p.m.; Nana at 3:56 p.m.; 1217 Penn at 3:57 p.m.; at 1209 Penn 3:58 p.m.

• Bus #11 – K through 6th

Pickup at Rancho (Custer's Last Stand/Black Foot) at 7:02 a.m.; at Airport Road and Ranches of Sonterra at 7:11 a.m.; High Mesa Road and Mulligan at 7:21 a.m.; at Mulligan and French Drive at 7:23 a.m.; at Johnson's Store at 7:27 a.m.; at Gavilan Canyon Road 7:30 a.m.; at 126 Gavilan Canyon at 7:31 a.m.; Gavilan Canyon and Duncanas at 7:34 a.m.; at Lower Eagle Creek and Dorgans at 7:38 a.m.; at Lower Eagle Creek and Spurgeon at 7:39 a.m.; at Gavilan Canyon and Fawn Ridge at 7:47 a.m.; at 1004 Hull Road at 7:50 a.m.; Hull and Pinion Park at 7:51 a.m.; Hull and Snowcrest at 7:52 a.m.; Hull and Mountain Shadows at 7:53 a.m.; Nogal Place and Old Lincoln Road at 7:55 a.m.; Nogal Place and High Loop at 7:56 a.m.; Royal and Morningside at 7:58 a.m.; Royal and Robinsons at 8 a.m.; Royal at 8:01 a.m. Drop off at White Mountain Elementary at 8:05 a.m.; White Mountain Intermediate at 8:06 a.m., Sierra Vista at 8:08 a.m. and Nob Hill at 8:20 a.m.

Departs Nob Hill at 2:35 p.m., Sierra Vista at 2:35 p.m., White Mountain schools at 3:05. Drop off at Hull Road and Mountain Shadows at 3:15 p.m.; Nogal Place and Old Lincoln at 3:17 p.m.; Nogal Place and High Loop at 3:18 p.m .; Royal and Morningside at 3:21 p.m.; Royal at 3:23 p.m.; Hull and Snowcrest at 3:26 p.m.; Hull and Pinion Park at 3:27 p.m.; 1004 Hull at 3:28 p.m.; Gavilan Canyon Road and White Mountain at 3:31 p.m; Fawn Ridge at 3:32; Lower Eagle Creek 3:336-3:40 p.m.; Gavilan Canyon and Duncan at 3:47 p.m.; at 126 Gavilan Canyon at 3:49 p.m.; at Johnson's Store at 3:53 p.m.; at Alto Century 21 at 3:55 p.m. at High Mesa and Mulligan at 4 p.m.; Mulligan and French at 4:02 p.m.; Airport Road and Ranches of Sonterra at 4:10 p.m.; Rancho Ruidoso and Little Big Horn and Blackfoot at 4:20 p.m.

• Bus #12 – 7th through 12th

Pickup at Sleeping Springs at 6:55 a.m.; River Ranch at 6:55 a.m.; Frontage Road at 6:58; Montey's Fruit Stand at 7:00; Tully Barn at 7:02; Hondo Video at 7:05; Palo Verde at

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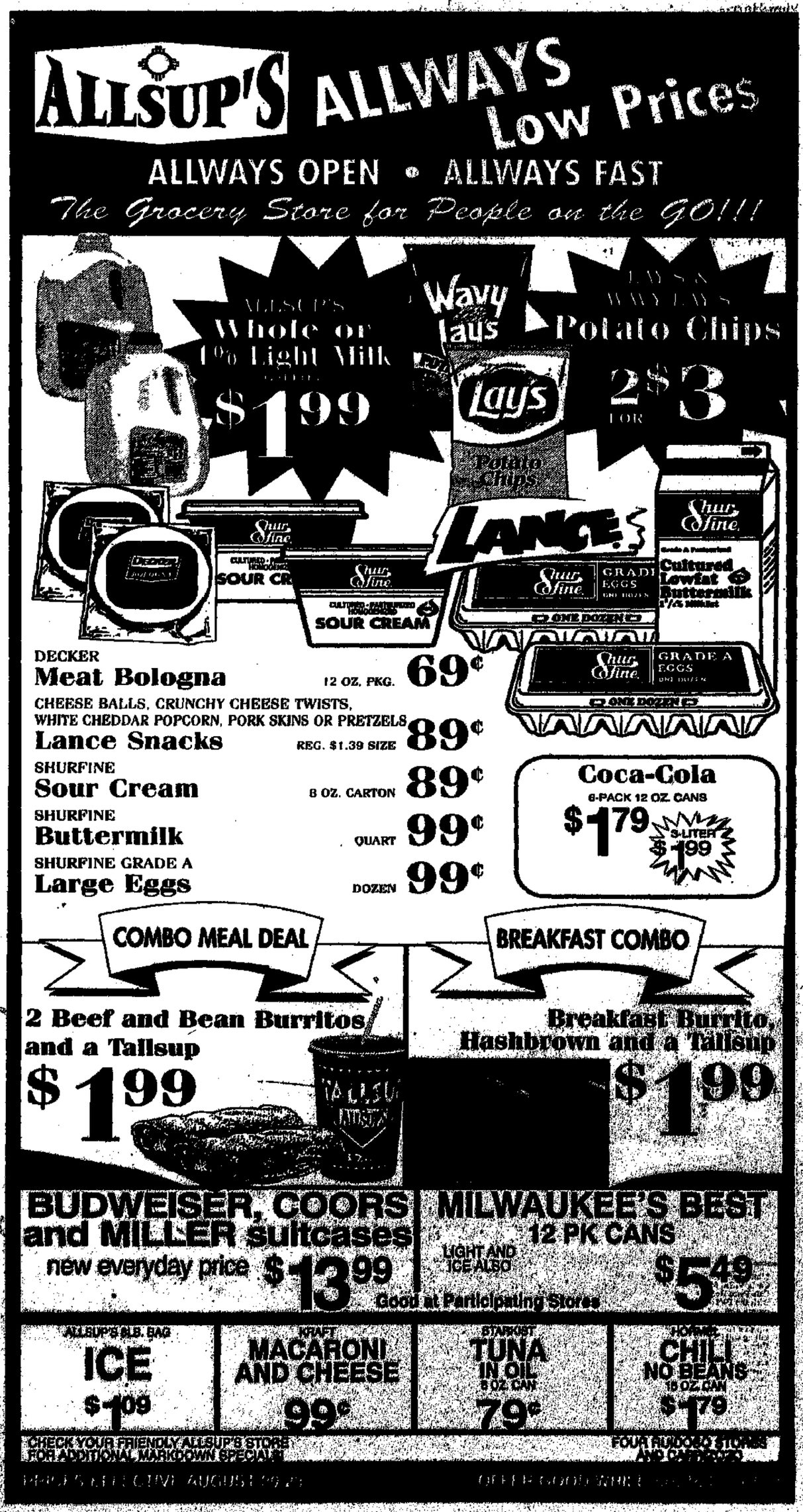

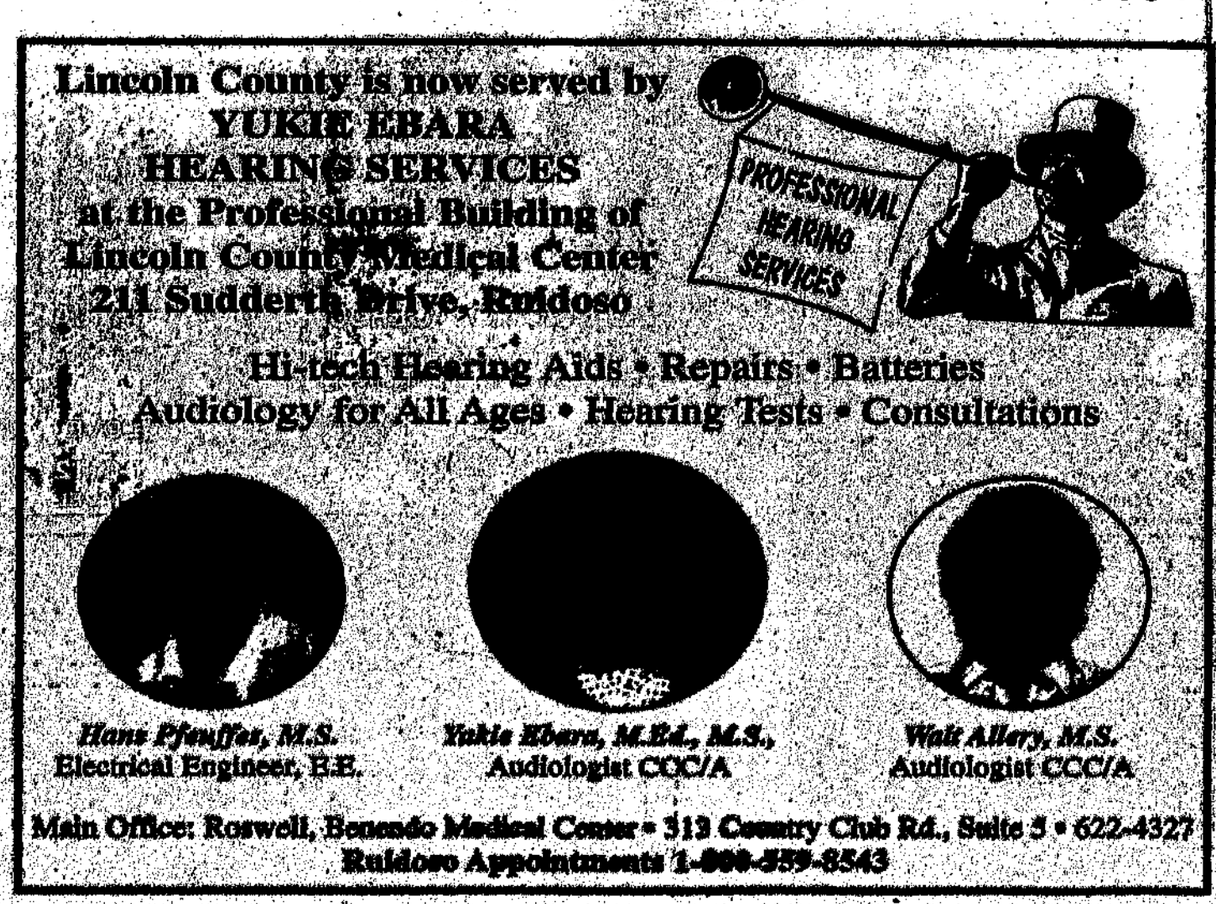

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7:30; Back Forty at 7:24; Harris & Downs at 7:30; Harris & Parnell at 7:33; Harris & Spring at 7:33; Agua Fria at 7:35; RMS at 7:40; RHS at 7:50; Bus Barn at 8:05.

Departs RHS at 3:00; RMS at 3:10; drop off at Downs & Harris at 3:20; Harris & Parnell at 3:21; Harris & Spring at 3:22; Agua Fria at 3:26; Palo Verde Slopes at 3:27; Back Forty at 3:30; Sleeping Springs at 3:33; River Ranch at 3:35; Wilson at 3:36; Frontage Road at 3:39; Monteys Fruit Stand at 3:41; Tully's Barn at 3:43; Hondo Video at 3:47; Bus Barn at 4:05.

• Bus #13 – K through 8.

Pickup at Botella Rd. at 7:15; Salt Wells at 7:18; Goat Mtn. at 7:20; White Mtn. Rd. & Eahles at 7:23; White Mtn. Rd. & Rocha at 7:24; White Mtn Dr. & Yucca at 7:26; Carrizo Trails at 7:27; White Rd. & Duffy at 7:32; White Mtn. Rd. & Fizzell at 7:33; White Mtn. Rd. & Comanche at 7:34; White Mtn. Rd. & Evans at 7:35; White Mtn. Rd. & Torres at 7:36; Carrizo Lodge at 7:41; Before Rainbow Lake at 7:42; Shaiver & Son at 7:43; Twin Mtn. Rd. at 7:44; Thomas/Action at 7:45; Grindstone at 7:46; Chavez at 7:47; Evergreen at 7:48; 227 Carrizo Canyon Rd. at 7:49; NHS at 8:00; WMP at 8:05; WMI at 8:06; SVP at 8:15; Bus Barn at 8:30.

Departs Nob Hill at 2:30; Sierra Vista at 2:55; White Mountain at 3:05; drop off at Loyas Body Shop at 3:30; 227 Carrizo Canyon Rd. at 3:31; Evergreen at 3:32; Chaves at 3:33; Grindstone at 3:34; Thomas/Action Gas at 3:35; Twin Mtn. Rd. at 3:36; Shaver & Son at 3:37; After Rainbow Lake at 3:38; Carrizo Lodge at 3:39; White Mtn. Rd. & Torres at 3:44; White Mtn. Rd. & Evans at 3:45; White Mtn. Rd. & Comanche at 3:46; White Mtn. Rd. & Frizzell at 3:47; White Mtn. Rd. & Duffy at 3:48; Carrizo Trails at 3:53; White Mtn. Rd. & Duffy at 3:48; Carrizo Trails at 3:53; White Mtn. Rd. & Yucca at 3:56; White Mtn. Rd. & Rocha at 3:57; White Mtn. Rd. & Eahlr at 3:58; Salt Wells at 4:00; Goat Mtn. at 4:02; Botella Rd. at 4:05

• Bus #14 – K through 6th.

Pickup at Palmer Loop at 7:30; Gavilan Trailer Park at 7:50; 1st Trailer on R after RV at 7:51; House on Left at 7:52; Double wide trailer on left 7:54; 2nd driveway after Buddy's at 8:00; 1st Christian Church at 8:00; Left on Hull to White Mtn. Dr.; Whispering Bluff at 8:10; SunnySlope Dr. at 8:10; Turn around at Farley's; Driveway across from Fire Dept. at 8:13; White Mountain Elementary at 8:14; White Mountain Intermediate at 8:15; Sierra Vista Primary at 8:16; Nob Hill at 8:25; Bus Barn at 8:30.

Departs from Nob Hill at 2:35; drop off at Gavilan Trailer Park at 2:50; Sierra Vista at 2:58; White Mountain schools at 3:05; Jack Little/Wht. Mtn. Dr. at 3:15; Don Snyder/Wht. Mtn. Dr. at 3:15; L.L. Davis/White Mtn. Dr. at 3:15; SunnySlope at 3:16; Shaw St. at 3:20; Across from SunnySlope/White Mtn. Dr. N. on Hull, S. on Gavilan; Hull Highway at 3:32; Past Crystal; Debbe/Gavilan at 3:33; 2nd. Trailer past storage sheds at 3:36; first trailer on left before RV park at 3:37; House on right at 3:38; Gavilan Trailer Park at 3:39; Palmer Loop at 4:00

• Bus 15 – K through 8th

Pickup at Hwy 70 Red Barn past M.M. 251 at 7:00; Hwy 70 Big Hunter Dr. Black Canyon at 7:03; Hwy 70 before M.M. 247 at 7:05; Reformed Church at 7:06; 213 Old Road at 7:13; Hwy 70 M.M. 245 at 7:16; Under foot-bridge at 7:20; Turn left on Yucca Dr. Mescalero Dr. corner of Broken Arrow at 7:23; Chonesta Dr. at 7:24; turn rt. on Hwy 70; 24590 Hwy 70 at 7:26; Go to Cloudcroft Jct. 224 turn rt. past M.M. 25 first drive on rt. Mud Canyon at 7:33; Junc. 224/Sandspear at 7:36; Hwy 70 Summit at 7:42; Restaurant, Cow Camp at 7:47; M.M. 257 First Drive at 7:49 a.m.; M.M. 258 at 7:52; Yoggie Bear at 7:55; Twin Spruce at 7:56; Safe Haven at 7:56; C.Bull's at 7:56; Cherokee at 7:57; Camelot at 7:57; Drop off at Nob Hill at 8; White Mountain Elementary at 8:09; White Mountain Intermediate at 8:10 and Sierra Vista at 8:11.

Departs Sierra Vista at 2:45; White Mountain schools at 3; drop off at Yoggie Bear at 3:25; Safe Haven at 3:26; C. Bull's at 3:27; Cherokee at 3:29; Cow Camp at 3:35; first drive after M.M. 257 at 3:36; second drive at 3:38; third drive at 3:40; red barn past M.M. 215/Cloudcroft Road at 3:49; Junction 224, past M.M. 29, first drive, Mud Canyon at 3:54; Juction 224/Sandspear Drive at 3:57; Highway 70 – Black Canyon, Big Hunter Drive at 4; Reformed church at 4:08; 213 Old Road at 4:09; Broken Arrow at 4:12; Chonesta Drive at 4:15; Community Center at 4:15.

• Bus #16 – 7th through 12th

Pickup at Highway 70 E – 24767 at 6:43; at Rodeo grounds at 6:45; at 212 Wardlaw Drive at 6:47; 213 Old Road at 6:53; 401 Old Road at 6:54; Mesquite at 6:58; Highway 70 (Willow) at 6:59; Assembly of God/YACCA at 7; Maple at 7:02; 410 White Mountain Drive at 7:18; 514 White Mountain Drive at 7:22; 809 Carrizo Canyon at 7:32; 597 Carrizo Canyon at 7:33; Action Gas at 7:33; 235 Tomahawk at 7:35; Evergreen Trailer Park at 7:35; 227 Carrizo Canyon at 7:36. Drop off at RMS at 7:20, after wait for Bus #20, RHS at 7:55.

Departs RHS at 3:02, RMS at 3:10; drop off at 103 Junction at 3:13; 140 Junction at 3:14; Carrizo (Rue) at 3:18; Carrizo (Tomahawk) at 3:20; Carrizo (Action Gas) at 320; 597 Carrizo at 3:21; 809 Carrizo at 3:31; 514 White Mountain at 3:31; 410 White Mountain at 3:33; Highway 70 at 3:40; Arrow Drive at 3:42; Wardlaw Drive at 3:44; 404 Old Road at 3:47; Mesquite at 3:48; Highway 70 at 3:50; YACCA at 3:53; Maple at 3:55; Arbor at 3:56; Community Center at 4.

• Bus #17 – K through sixth

Pickup at Penn Canyon at 7:26; Magoosh, Santan, 813 Penn Scott; Visions at 7:51; Lincoln County Grill at 7:52; Timbers Mall at 7:53; Gazebo at 7:54; Diamond Shamrock at 7:55; Daylight Donuts at 7:57; Allsup's at 7:58; Dr. Beschle at 7:59. Drop off at Nob Hill at 8; at White Mountain schools at 8:10.

Departs Nob Hill at 2:30; White Mountain schools at 2:50. Drop off at Visions at 3:20; Lincoln County Grill at 3:21; Timbers Mall at 3:23; Gazebo at 3:24; Diamond Shamrock at 3:25; Daylight Donuts at 3:27; Ole Tesa at 3:28; Allsup's 3:29; Dr. Beschle at 3:30; Nob Hill at 3:30; Penn Canyon (155 Penn Scott, Magoosh, 310 Penn Scott, Santana, Chiquito and 813 Penn Scott) at 3:45.

• Bus 18 – 7th through 12th

Pickup Penny Canyon at 7:05; Magoosh at 7:06; Naiche at 7:07; 619 Penn Scott at 7:08; 1203 Penn Scott at 7:09; 1200 Penn Scott at 7:11; Negrito at 7:13; Chief at 7:15; 624 Penn Scott at 7:17; Chiquito at 7:18; 410 Penn Scott at 7:19; 174 Penn Scott/Magoosh (Carrizo Canyon to Sudderth to Mechem to White Mountain) at 7:20; Dan Swearingen at 7:40; Sierra Vista at 7:41; drop off at RHS at 7:45, at RMS at 8.

Departs RMS at 3, drop off at Gavilan Trailer Park at 3:15; departs RHS at 3:20, Sierra Vista at 3:25; drop off at L.L.Davis at 3:27; Sunny Slope at 3:29; Dan Swearingen at 3:30; Inn of the Mountain Gods at 3:45; 174 Penn Scott; Naiche at 3:50; 410 Penn Scott at 3:52; Chiquito at 3:53; 619 Penn Scott at 3:54; Chief at 3:55; Chino at 3:56; Negrito at 3:57; Penn Scott at 3:58-4:04.

• Bus #19 – 7th through 12th

Pickup at #640 White Mountain Drive at 6:50; Carrizo Trail at 6:55; Palmer Loop at 7; White Mountain Drive at 7:07; Woman's Club at 7:18; Sunworld Savings at 7:20; Timbers Mall at 7:23; Gazebo at 7:24; Diamond Shamrock at 7:25; Ruidoso Office Supply at 7:25; Chef Lupe's at 7:27; Mountain View at 7:28; Sitzmark at 7:29; drop off at RMS at 7:32 and RHS at RHS at 7:43.

Departs RHS at 2:45, RMS at 3:15; drop off at Sunworld Savings at 3:21; Timbers Mall at 3:23; at Gazebo at 3:24; Diamond Shamrock at 3:25; Ruidoso Office Supply at 3:26; car wash at 3:27; library at 3:32; Hospital at 3:33; #640 White Mountain Drive at 3:45; Carrizo Trails at 3:48; Palmer Loop at 3:51; White Mountain Drive at 3:55; bottom of the hill at 3:57.

• Bus #20 – 7th through 12th

Pickup from just before Cow Camp at 6:40; at red barn at 6:47; Big Hunter at 6:50; Mudd Canyon at 6:55; Chatto at 707; Summit Drive at 7:10; Cow Camp at 7:16; M.M. 258 at 7:19; Twin Spruce at 7:20; Cherokee Village at 7:21; Burger King at 7:25; RMS at 7:26; 101 Mounder at 7:28; 117 Hart Bradley at 7:30; Phillips at 7:31; drop off at RHS at 7:37 at RMS at 7:44.

Depart RHS at 3:04; drop off at Walnut and Hood at 3:10; depart RMS at 3:11; drop off at Paradise 138 B at 3:14; Hart at 3:15; Phillips at 3:14; Twin Spruce at 3:23; Baca at 3:24; Cherokee Village at 3:25; Burger King at 3:26; two dirt roads past the power plant at 3:29; M.M. 256 at 3:30; just before Cow Camp at 3:32; Cow Camp at 3:33; Summit Drive 3:39-3:41; red barn at 3:44; Mudd Canyon at 3:48; just past M.M. 28 at 3:53; Chatto at 4:05.

• Bus #22 – K through 6th

Pickup at Barnet Carpet at 7:24; Porr Drive at 7:27; Showtime Video at 7:36; at Ruidoso Office Supply at 7:38; Evergreen Road at 7:40; Hickory Road at 7:41; Mountain Animal Clinic at 7:43; Arby's at 7:45; library at 7:47; Clutters Pet Shop at 7:49; Lucy & Ethel's Pets at 7:51; Happy Trails at 7:53; drop off at White Mountain Elementary at 7:55, White Mountain Intermediate at 8, Sierra Vista at 8:20.

Departs Nob Hill at 2:46; Sierra Vista at 2:55; White Mountain schools at 3:15; drop off at Barnett Carpet at 3:23; Lincoln County Abstract at 3:24; Porr at 3:25; Showtime Video at 3:29; Ruidoso Office Supply at 3:33; Hickory Road at 3:35; Mountain Animal Clinic at 3:37; Arby's 3:39; library at 3:41; Clutters Pets at 3:44; Lucy & Ethel's Pets at 3:45; Bruhell's at 3:46; Happy Trails at 3:49.

• Bus 23 – third and fourth

Pickup at Burger King at 7:21; Dipaolo/Highway 70 at 7:23; Heights at 7:25; Short Drive/Harris at 7:27; Valley View/Harris at 7:27; Ruidoso Word Church at 7:28; Second/Harris at 7:30; Downs Drive/Harris at 7:30; West/Harris at 7:31; Harris at 7:32; Parnell/Harris at 7:33; Spring/Harris at 7:34; Agua Fria at 7:38; Circle B at 7:39; Back Forty at 7:43; Green Acres at 7:46; Clutter's at 7:55; drop off at White Mountain Elementary at 8:08.

Departs Clutter's at 3:07; Ruidoso State Bank at 3:21; Burger King at 3:22; Dipaolo/Hwy 70 at 3:35; Heights at 3:37; Short Dr. & Harris at 3:39; Ruidoso Downs Word Church at 3:40; Harris Dr. & Downs Dr. at 3:42; West/Harris at 3:44; Harris/? at 3:45; Parnell/Harris at 3:46; Harris/Spring at 3:47; Agua Fria at 3:48; Gymnastics at 3:50; Circle B at 3:54; Palo Verde at 3:55; Back Forty at 3:57; Green Acres Park at 4:00; Burnt House at 4:02.

• Bus #24 – K through 6th

Sew & Vac at 7:30; Texaco at 7:32; Independent Signs at 7:36; Ruidoso Trailer Pk. at 7:38; Chamber of Commerce at 7:40; Ruidoso Paint at 7:42; Story Book Cabins at 7:45; Whispering Pines at 7:46; Whirl-A-Way & Main at 7:47; Main(KIM) at 7:50; 929 Main at 7:52; Main(Gay) at 7:53; Sherwood Forest at 7:55; Branding Iron at 8:00; White Mountain Elementary at 8:10; White Mountain Intermediate at 8:12; Sierra Vista at 8:13; Nob Hill at 8:20.

Departing at Bryant(Attorney) at 3:30, Sew & Vac at 3:31; Texaco at 3:31; Conoco at 3:32; Sudderth at 3:33; Tender Tots at 3:34; Independent Signs at 3:34; Ruidoso Trailer Pk at 3:36; Synergy Gas at 3:36; Chamber of Commerce at 3:37; OverLook at 3:39; Ruidoso Paint at 3:40; Radio Shack at 3:41; Ruidoso State Bank at 3:42; Tall Pines Realty at 3:45; Brunell's at 3:46; 4 Seasons Mall at 3:47; Schlotsky's at 3:49; Whispering Pines at 3:51; Whirl-A-Way St. at 3:52; Sherwood Forest at 3:54; Main at 3:56; 929 Main at 3:57; Main at 3:58; Branding Iron at 4:00; Great Wall China at 4:02.

• Bus #25 – 7th through 12th

Picking up at 506 Sudderth at 7:03; Ruidoso Trailer Pk at 7:04; Two Rivers Pk at 7:05; RCC IX-1400 Sudderth at 7:07; Pro Ski Sports at 7:09; 4 Seasons Mall at 7:10; Cherry Blossom at 7:11; Story Book Cabins at 7:14; Turn around at Noisy Water Cabins), 1003 Main at 7:17; 929 Main at 7:18; 808 Main at 7:19; Sherwood Forest at 7:21; Main at Mt. Breeze at 7:23; 307 - A Main at 7:24; Branding Iron at 7:27; Lower Terrace at Rainbow at 7:30; 306 Country Club at 7:34; 334 Country Club at 7:35; Course View/Country Club at 7:36; Buckner/Wylie Rd. at 7:37; Heath & Encanto at 7:39; Kirkman & Mckenzie, Texas Club at 7:40; Cree Meadow & Skyview at 7:42; Ruidoso High School at 7:45; Ruidoso Middle School at 7:53.

Departing at Ruidoso High School at 3:05, Ruidoso Middle School (unload 3) at 3:12; 506 Sudderth at 3:15; Ruidoso Trailer Pk at 3:17; Two River Pk at 3:18; RCC IX - 1400 Sudderth at 3:19; Radio Shack at 3:21; Movie Company at 3:22; 4 Seasons Mall at 3:23; Cherry Blossom at 3:24; Casey's Cabins at 3:26; Branding Iron at 3:28; 3007-A Main at 3:29; Storybok Cabins at 3:30; Main at Mt. Breeze at 3:31; 605-A Main at 3:32; Sherwood Forest at 3:33; 1008 Main at 3:34; Lower Terrace at Rainbow at 3:40; Cree Country Club at 3:43; 306 Country Club at 3:44; 334 Country Club Course View/Country Club at 3:45; Buckner at Wylie Rd. at 3:47; Heath at Encanto at 3:49; Texas Club at 3:50; Sky view at Cree Meadows at 3:52; Bus Barn at 4:05.

•Bus #26 – K, First and Second

Picking up at Burger King at 7:10; Budget Motel at7:12; Diapolo/Hwy. 70 at 7:14; Heights Dr. at 7:16; Short/Harris at 7:17; Valley View/Harris at 7:18; Second/Harris at 7:19; Downs/Harris at 7:20; West/ Harris at 7:21; Parnell/Harris at 7:22; East Dr./Harris at 7:23; Agua Fria at 7:25; Petes Auto Parts at 7:26; 108 Canyon Rd. at 7:28; Circle B at 7:31; Back Forty at 7:33; Vicki Dog Grooming at 7:35; Biscuit Hill at 7:36; Hwy 70/across from bus barn at 7:39; Green Acres at 7:40; Downs Feed Store at 7:43; Christian School at 7:44; Sierra Vista Primary at 8:00; Nob Hill at 8:10; Bus Barn at 8:20.

Departing at Bus Barn at 2:20; Nob Hill at 2:30; Sierra Vista Primary at 2:45; Dropping students off at Camelot at 3:15; Burger King at 3:16; Budget Motel at 3:19; Diapalo & Hwy 70 at 3:20; Heights Dr. at 3:21; Short/Harris at 3:23; Valley View/Harris at 3:24; Second/Harris at 3:26; Downs Dr. at 3:29; West Dr. at 3:31; Parnell/Harris at 3:31; East Dr/Harris at 3:32; Agua Fria at 3:33; Petes Auto Shop at 3:35; 108 Canyon Rd. at 3:37; Circle B at 3:40; Back Forth at 3:41; Vicki's Dog Grooming at 3:43; Biscuit Hill at 3:44; Green Acres at 3:47; Down Feed Store at 3:50; Christian School at 3:51; S. Parnell/Hwy 70. at 3:51; Bus Barn at 4:05.

•Bus #27 – Third through 6th

Picking up at Conley's Nursery at 7:22; Down's Feed Store at 7:25; Parnell & Hwy. 70 at 7:27; 105 Central at 7:28; 209 Central at 7:29; 221 Central at 7:30; 256 Central at 7:31; 264 Central at 7:32; Central & Parnell at 7:33; 318 Central at 7:34; 335 Central at 7:35; River Lane & Riverview 1 at 7:36; River Lane & Riverview 2 at 7:37; 415 River Lane at 7:42; Champions Run at 7:45; North Lane & Joe Welch at 7:47; Highlands Lane & Joe Welch at 7:48; Willow Trailer Park at 7:53; White Mountain Elementary at 7:57; White Mountain Intermediate at 8:03; Willow Trailer Park at 8:11; Nob Hill at 8:14; Bus Barn at 8:23.

Departing at Bus Yard at 2:30; White Mountain Elementary at 3:05; White Mountain Intermediate at 3:20; Dropping students off at Willow Trailer Park/Fina Gas Station at 3:22; Champions Run at 3:25; Highlands Lane & Joe Welch at 3:30; 981 North Lane at 3:31; North Lane & Joe Welch at 3:32; 105 Central at 3:35; 229 Central at 3:36; 221 Central at 3:37; 256 Central at 3:38; 264 Central at 3:39; Central & Parnell at 3:40; 318 Central at 3:41; 335 Central 3:42; River Lane & Riverview Drive 1 at 3:43; River Lane & Riverview Drive 2 at 3:44; 415 River Lane at 3:44; River Lane & Parker Rd. at 3:46; 329 Parker Road. at 3:47; Parker Road & Park Lane at 3:48; Downs Feed Store at 3:49; Christian Church at 3:50 Green ACres at 3:52; Conley's Nursery at 3:55; Bus Barn at 3:58.

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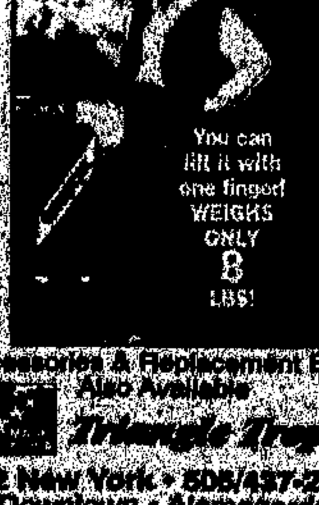

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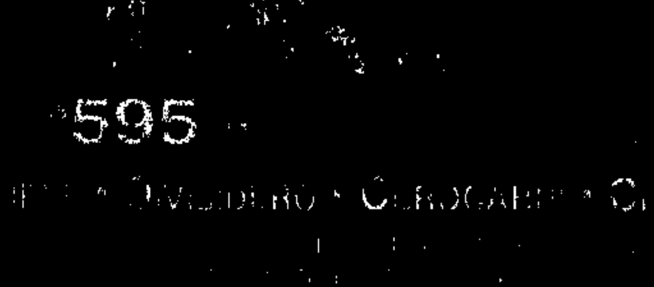

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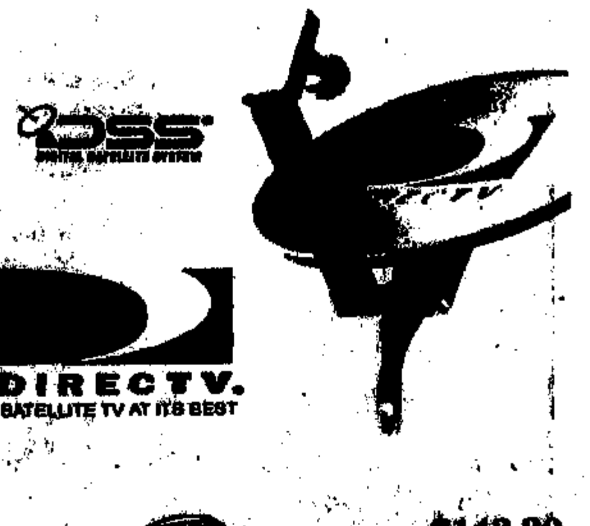

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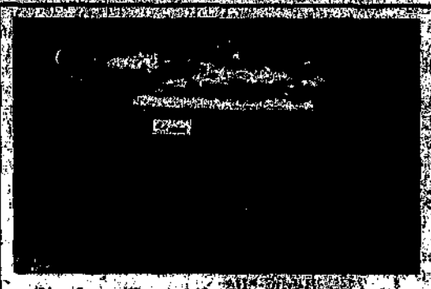

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1 Real Estate

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Culver Realty
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Three log cabins, recently remodeled and completely furnished. 12'x18' log workshop with attached storage area. Located on 5+ level lots with many tall pine trees. Completely fenced. Graveled parking area for at least 7 cars. Property borders park land. You can listen to the Rio Ruidoso river from the large redwood deck. Call Owner/Agent Flora Fisher at 257-2011 for appointment.
Fisher Realty
257-2011

SMALL RANCH Arabela. 720 deeded acres. Call Stirman Real Estate 378-4391.

LEVEL LOT that backs up to park with pond. Perfect for new double wide or home. Community water, easy access. $17,500 Bill Pippin Real Estate 257-4228

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CONDO-CONDO-CONDO 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath. Views of golf course and Sierra Blanca. $89,500 #9770424. CALL DAVID at 257-9057 CENTURY 21 Aspen Real Estate

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1ST TIME BUYERS/RETIREES 3BDRM/2BA [illegible] remodeled [illegible] down [illegible] available. Jennie Dorgan 1-888-556-1349 or 258-5833 Re/Max

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A nice 14x80 3bdr, 2ba mobile on 1+ acre lot. $39,500.00.

A nice 14x70 2bdr, 2ba mobile on 5 city lots. $56,500.00.

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1 to 40 acre tracts.

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207 Barcus: READY TO [illegible] This new, single story, cedar [illegible] home is located on a large lot on [illegible] fairway. It is 1675 sq. ft. [illegible] garage, large master suite with [illegible] walk-in closet. It features a security system, lots of recessed lighting, custom wall treatments, fireplace with gas logs, tiled kitchen, entry, and formal dining room. Very nice [illegible]

[illegible]

SMALL MOBILE & LOT Ready for hunters, fisherman, skiers. 305 Brady Canyon. $18,500. Call Mike 430-0835 Total Real Estate 257-1381

HOME ON WOODED LOT
3BDRM/2BA open floor plan, Southwest colors, like new, deck. Lot runs street to street in Flume Canyon. Call Lisa Smith, Coldwell Banker, SDC Realtors 257-5111

2 Real Estate Trades

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107 Blueridge Dr.
beautiful level lot
good view of Sierra Blanca
$54,000
915-673-5593
692-1234 evenings

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3 Land for Sale

WHERE DO YOU FIND 12 acres of seclusion in Ruidoso? Wonderful valley views, gentle slopes, many building sites and easy access. Corner of College Drive and Canyon. Juniper Hills area. A bargain at $113,00.00. Jennie Dorgan, RE/MAX, 1-888-556-1349 or 1-800-657-8570

3 BEAUTIFUL MT. VIEW LOTS 1.091, 1.122, 3.747 acres each, in town, first addition Cree Meadows, sewers on property, other utilities, on paved street. 257-9127

3 ACRES WITH A LOVELY 2,500 SF home with double garage, river frontage, fruit trees, all fenced. Large barn with stables and pipe corrals. This is all flat land. 1 1/2 miles from race track. Can be shown anytime. Call Owner/Broker 378-4157

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10 ACRES FOR SALE by owner, 2 miles west of Capitan. Great views, owner financing available. $20,000. 354-4266.

5 ACRES of land in The LaMay Subdivision NW of Ruidoso 505-648-2421

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1/2 ACRE, TREED, LEVEL AREA secluded and zoned for mobiles. Asking $18,000 OBO. 258-1041

ATTENTION BUILDERS & INVESTORS.
5 1/8 acres in Alto on Sun Valley Rd. $79,500.
Call Mike, 430-0835,
Total Real Estate
257-1381.
Will trade for Upper Canyon house or cabin.

4 Houses for Sale

HOUSE FOR SALE 3BDRM/2BA, nice area. New carpet. $19,500. For information-125 Eagle Drive.

FOR SALE/by owner. 3BDRM/2BA on 4 1/2 fenced acres. Sun Valley Area. Live creek/pond, 2-stall horse barn w/water and electricity. Very private/secluded. $171,000. 505-257-4311 for appt. Owner is licensed New Mexico Real Estate Agent.

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3 BEDROOM, 2 BATH, Knotty Pine livingroom. 2 lots, fruit trees, partial basement. New financing required. $80,000.00 Please call after 6:00 pm. (505) 524-2544

FOR SALE BY OWNER. Furnished, 3BDRM/2BA, large screen porch, storage shed, carport, extras, close to schools & shopping, large trees $110,000 258-1170

CONDO FOR SALE. Large 3BDRM/2.5BA, gas heat, great view, best location. $89,000. 257-9026,258-5336

293 JUNCTION ROAD, house. 120 Cedar Place mobile. Both immaculate. 915-755-5101, 4933 Maxwell, El Paso.

FOR SALE BY OWNER:
"Cozy" 3BDRM/2BA.
$87,500 fully furnished
310 Swallow Dr.
Call 378-8428 for appt

FOR SALE BY OWNER 3BDRM/2FULL BATHS 201 Sunnyslope. Must see to appreciate 258-3181

BY OWNER: Great new home, paved, level access with city utilities. 105 Ginger Pl. Green Meadows Add. 2BDRM/2BA lots of extras 1,100 SF $87,500 appt. 257-1345

FOR SALE BY OWNER 2BDRM/2BA Condo w/ fireplace, nice deck on Cree Meadows Golf Course. Great rental investment or vacation home. New appraisal $85,000, fully furnished. Call La Ronda - Days: 505-258-3373 Eves: 505-378-4888.

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$55,000 to $43,000.
3 bedrooms, 2 baths, fireplace, 2-car garage with workshop. Corner lot — you better check this out.
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7 Houses for Rent

3BDRM/2BA. TOWNHOUSE in White Mountain Meadows, unfurnished 257-5366

3BRDM/2BA, 2 FIREPLACES 815 Carrizo Canyon. call Ernie Valles at 505-524-0051 or Enrique Valles 505-382-7003. Call after 6PM.

UNFURNISHED 4BDRM/2BA W/D, Upper Canyon, $700/mo. $500 deposit. 336-4477

SMALL 1 BEDROOM house to rent. Furnished or unfurnished. $300.00 month, bills paid. Pets welcomed. Call Pam or Rick 257-6133 daytime or 257-3202 weekends/evenings.

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UPPER CANYON-THREE BEDROOMS, Three Baths, partially furnished. Large lot. $750.00 monthly plus utilities. Option to purchase available. Josie 915-584-1212/915-581-1510 505-257-2724.

UNFURNISHED 2 BEDROOM 1 bath, with refrigerator, range. $400.00 month. 231 Fir 257-5577

2 BDRM. HOUSE FOR RENT
1.75 bath, W/D included, fireplace, fenced yard w/dog run. $500. per month W.D.D.
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8 Apts. for Rent

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9 Mobiles for Rent

TWO VERY NICE MOBILES (14X66 FURNISHED), (14X79 UNFURNISHED "SOLITAIRE") Water paid with natural gas and cable available. Nicely located and park has river frontage near "Y". Solitaire will be available Approx. 9/5/97. 378-4499 - 378-4467

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3 BEDROOM, 1 BATH Nice mobile. 8 miles East of Ruidoso, HWY 70. $425.00 plus deposit. 378-1047 420-4248

FOR RENT TWO BEDROOM, bath and half, Mobile Home, very clean and private big deck. 258-5525, 257-4902.

UPPER CANYON 2 BEDROOM 1 BATH behind Whispering Pines Restaurant. Furnished or unfurnished, $325.00/mo plus utilities. 915-858-4774

10 Condos for Rent

2BDRM/2.5BA Condo, excellent view. No pets/smokers. $550/Mo. Whispering Bluff, Adults preferred. 258-3210

FOR LEASE: 2BDRM/2.5BA condo, $600/Mo. unfurnished, all city utilities, great view. Marge Woodul, RE/MAX of Ruidoso 258-5833, Res. 258-4681

LARGE 3BDRM/2.5BA Unfurnished, w/refrigerator, W/D One of a kind, No pets. $795/Mo. plus utilities. 257-9026, 258-5336

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11 Cabins for Rent

FURNISHED TWO BEDROOM, three fourths bath, $500.00 month plus deposit, utility bills paid, no pets. 257-5944

12 Mobile Spaces/Rt

CAPITAN MOBILE HOME Pad space for rent #118 E. 2ND St. Call 257-5381

R.V. LOTS FOR RENT $125.00 month plus electric. Pinon hills Park, Capitan. 354-3197.

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13 Room for Rent

"ROOMMATE WANTED" 2BDRM/1BA home on 7 acres in Bent. Horses, pets OKAY 1/2 hr.-Ruidoso, 1/2 hr.-Alamogordo 671-4855. Leave message.

14 Want to Rent

CLEAN, ONE or 2BDRM house, have dog, rent or lease, Ruidoso area. Call Ron at 258-9441

BUILDER NEEDS FIXER-UPPER home, up to $400.00 per month. Lease option to purchase. Please call 336-9116

15 Storage for Rent

EXTRA LARGE STORAGE SPACE at 48 and Gavilan Canyon Road. $95 month. 257-1353

L & D SELF STORAGE Hwy. 48 Space available. 258-4599 or 257-9463.

17 Business Rentals

APPROX. 400 sq.ft 1302 Sudderth, plush interior $400/Mo. 257-5800

PROFESSIONAL OFFICE SPACES, many amenities including receptionist for telephone calls. **COMPOUND 1401,** 257-3080, evenings 257-4171

OFFICE SUITE for lease 2 rooms, foyer, storage area and bath, approx. 800 SF good exposure, access & parking. 1216 Mechem, Echo Plaza. 258-3934

LEASE: OFFICE SUITE: 4 ROOMS AND STORAGE, SHARE RECEPTION AREA, 2 RESTROOMS AND KITCHENETTE. NEWLY DECORATED. PARTLY FURNISHED. 1206 MECHEM DR. CALL PAT 258-4030

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FOR RENT - MIDTOWN DISTRICT $700.00 month. 257-5691 or 257-6199

FOR LEASE: 850 sq. ft. office space, Jira Plaza, available 4/1/97. Brokers welcome. Owen Russell, Real Estate Broker. 505/257-5341

18 Bus. Opp.

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[illegible] SCREENING company for sale, [illegible] established [illegible] Call 257-[illegible] or 258-[illegible] after 5

19 Autos for Sale

1996 BUICK RIVIERA Gold $1,900 Call 258-3111

1996 SATURN SC2 9,400 miles, red, tan leather, sunroof, Mint condition $15,900 258-4436 (W)

1996 PONTIAC BONNEVILLE 4DR SE Excellent condition, emerald green color. 38,000 miles w/ 75,000 or 6 year extended warranty. $18,250. 378-5256

1973 CHEV. TRUCK 454 engine. Runs good. $700. 257-3267

1979 LINCOLN TOWNCAR all leather interior, excellent condition, new tires 378-5410

LINCOLN MARK V excellent condition exterior, interior & engine 258-4131, 1010 Hull Rd.

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21 Vans for Sale

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23 Auto Parts

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30 Yard Sales

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31 Household

ELECTRIC RANGE AND DISHWASHER for sale, used. 258-5442, ext. 111. Ask for Lester.

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OLD COWBOY & INDIAN GEAR - BITS, SPURS, SADDLES, BEADED BAGS. MULE CREEK TRADING [illegible] **CAPITAN**

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34 Arts

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35 Miscellaneous

INTERIOR LANDSCAPING WITH ARTIFICIAL trees, plants and flowers of Jacque's Garden Gallery, Sierra Mall. 721 Mechem.

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37 Wanted to Buy

[illegible]

38 Help Wanted

NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS for cooks, waitress and busser positions at [illegible]. Apply in person only from 8-11 a.m. at 106 Sudderth. EOE.

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THE INN OF THE MT. GODS AT MESCALERO needs one PBX operator 3-11:30 p.m. shift, 2 Front Desk clerks, 3-11:30 p.m. A.S.A.P. Please come to Personnel office to fill out application M-F 8-4.

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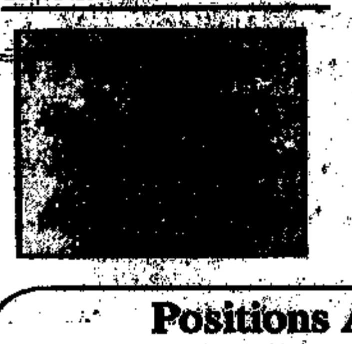
SALES HELP/STORE OPERATIONS experience required, high ticket, applicant must be presentable [illegible], self starter with initiative & good work history, some lifting required. Call Upscale Outdoors 258-3934



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WANTED: DRIVERS Apply in person at Pizza Hut on Sudderth at 1:30PM

THE CHILDREN'S WORKSHOP
is accepting applications for teachers. Experience with children ages 0 to 5 a must. Must be at least 18 years of age and willing to submit and pass a state and federal criminal background check. Please come by the Children's Workshop for an application between the hours of 7:30am and 6:00pm. No phone calls please. 2710 Sudderth Drive.

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MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:
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- Significant technical experience and demonstrated leadership management skills.
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- Restorative care philosophy, excellent professional skill (both assessment and hand-ons), with good communication and organization skills
- Working knowledge of nursing home regulations
- Ability to perform essential duties as outlines below
- Ability to perform work tasks within the physical demand requirements as outlined below
- Genuine caring for and interest in elderly and handicapped people
- Ability to comply with the Patient Bill of Rights and the Employee Responsibilities
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Contact Human Resources at 257-9071

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Anticipated Start Date: Sept. 2, 1997
Interested applicants should send a Letter of Application, a current resume, and transcripts to:
Dr. Jim Miller, Center Director
Ruidoso Center of ENMU
709 Mechem Drive
Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345
(505) 257-3120 [illegible]
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- 4 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage, fireplace - in Alto, remodeled, mostly unfurnished except for appliances.
- 2 bedroom, 1 bath, unfurnished house on river, $450 plus bills.
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Call Pat with the Prudential Lela Kesler Realtors for details, 257-7313.

THE INN OF THE MT. GODS at Mescalero seeks a full-time Assistant Tennis Pro. Tennis skills preferred but not required. Retail sales helpful, will train. Complete working Pro Shop. Contact Shawn Kennedy at 505-257-5141 ext. 7425, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Thur.-Sun. or Personnel office M-F 9-4.

ATTN: PAINT CONTRACTORS Crown Point Condos in Ruidoso is taking bids on exterior painting of 7 buildings. Must be licensed and insured. Contact Jim Peters (505) 257-5508 or (505) 257-7041 for details.

THE VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO DOWNS is accepting applications for a General Laborer. Blade experience is required. Starting Salary is $7.00 per hour. A job description will be provided with the application. Applications can be picked up at Village Hall, 122 Downs Drive, Ruidoso Downs. Deadline for the return of applications is August 27, 1997 at 4:00PM.

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ALTO LAKES GOLF & C.C. need people for grounds maintenance til Oct.-Nov. 6:00AM-2:30PM daily, some weekends. $6.00-$6.50 per hour. This is a job not a position. If you don't want to work, don't apply. See Jim.

WANTED: EXPERIENCED MAINTENANCE person at Crown Point Condos. Must be willing to work Saturdays and be on call on a rotating basis. Apply in person 301 Crown Dr., Ruidoso, NM 8:00a.m.-4:00p.m.

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SERVERS & COOKS NEEDED
Apply in person
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Competitive wages with personal/family insurance

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THE RUIDOSO NEWS
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SMOKEY BEAR RANGER DISTRICT, 901 Mechem Dr., is seeking an employee for the Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP). To be eligible for this program, the employee must be age 55 or over and meet the income limitation guidelines. The employee will work up to 1300 hours a year at minimum wage. Duties will include clerical work in the office, including answering the telephone and helping the public, or depending upon the experience of the person hired, may include cleaning in these office buildings, general building yard maintenance in the campgrounds. If you're interested, call Christie Reeves at 257-4095 for more information.

FORTUNE 500 COMPANY SEEKS SALES MANAGEMENT TRAINEE. Base income plus commission 25K-30K first year. Training provided and established accounts, full benefits. Not MLM. Bilingual capacity a plus. For consideration send your resume to: Vernon Iwancin PO Box 325, Ruidoso NM 88355.

ATTENTION ALL NIGHT OWLS! Best Western Swiss Chalet needs a part-time night auditor. No phone calls. Please apply in person. 1451 Mechem Drive

WANTED: COOKS Apply in person at Pizza Hut on Mechem at 1:30PM

WANTED: DRIVERS Apply in person at Pizza Hut on Mechem at 1:30PM

NOW HIRING: All positions. Apply in person. Mc Donald's 144 Sudderth.

UPSCALE STORE LOOKING FOR hard-working, motivated sales personnel. Send resume to: Box 779, Ruidoso, NM 88355

LOCAL GIFT SHOP NOW HIRING FT/PT sales associates. Upper End and Collectibles knowledge a must. Minimum 3 years related retail experience required for possible consideration. Benefits package available. Send resume to: P.O.Box 4903, Ruidoso, NM 88355

WANTED: WAITRESSES Apply in person at Pizza Hut on Mechem at 1:30PM

WAIT PERSON, BUS PERSON, Kitchen help, daytime dishwasher help needed. Full-time/Part-time. Apply in person Great Wall of China, 2913 Sudderth

39 Work Wanted

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THE CHILDREN'S WORKSHOP
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ATTENTION TEACHERS & RUIDOSO MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS STAFF:
The Children's Workshop offers a special child care package for school employees! Call 257-1479 or come by the school for more details.

44 Firewood for Sale

FIREWOOD FOR SALE Call 354-2541.

46 Lost & Found

REWARD: LOST ENGAGEMENT RING. VICINITY WAL-MART AUG 15TH 257-4708

49 Personals

ABANDONED VEHICLE IN TEXAS: LICENSE NUMBER 867 - JTK CALL 972-442-1997

I would like to thank my family, friends and neighbors for the beautiful flowers and plants, gifts, cards and calls following my recent surgery. What can I say except your just the greatest. A very special "Thank You" to my best friends Christine and Cindy for your just being there when I needed you.

Thanks to Dr. Woffal and Dr. Rebstock for your great abilities. A very special thanks to Pastor B.A. Thurman and Pam Cooper, everyone at Cornerstone Church for your love, prayers and spiritual help, I love you all.

May God Bless each of you all for your kindness.

Linda Thompson

I would like to thank everyone for the flowers and the foods that was brought to us during the death OF MY MOM Gregorita Olguin. I would especially like to thank Home Health for the wonderful service they gave us during the past few years and Jeri from Hospice who was of great help. Thank you all so very much. May God bless you always.

Legal Notice

LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Public Land Use Advisory Council have rescheduled their regular September meeting to Monday, August 25, 1997. The meeting will begin at 9AM in the Commissioners Room of the Courthouse in Carrizozo.

Agenda will be available 24 hours prior to the meeting. Auxiliary aides are available upon request; please contact Martha Guevara at 648-2385 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting to make any necessary arrangements.

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LEGAL NOTICE

INVITATION FOR BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Village of Ruidoso Downs, Lincoln County, New Mexico calls for sealed on:

1 Hydraulic Sewer Cleaner

Interested bidders may secure a copy of the specifications from the Purchasing Agent at the Village of Ruidoso Downs Village Hall, 122 Downs Drive, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico or by phoning (505)378-4422.

Sealed bids will be received by the Purchasing Officer at the Ruidoso Downs Village Hall, 122 Downs Drive, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico, until August 29, 1997 at 4:00PM, local time, then publicly opened and read aloud at the Village of Ruidoso Downs Village Hall, 122 Downs Drive, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico. Any bids received after closing time will be returned unopened.

The Village of Ruidoso Downs reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids and to waive all informalities as allowed by the State of New Mexico Procurement Code.

By order of the Governing Body

Arlene Wehbrecht, CMC
Clerk/Treasurer
Village of Ruidoso Downs

1155 2T(8)13,20

LEGAL NOTICE

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

The Village of Ruidoso Downs, NM will receive sealed bids for:

Sewer System Improvements 1997, Phase I,
Las Lomas Subdivision, Units 1 and 2 and Mountain Home Subdivision
Ruidoso Downs, NM
Project Number: CDBG 97-C-RS-I-G-32

Date: Friday, September 12, 1997
Place: Ruidoso Downs Village Hall Council Chambers, 122 Downs Drive, Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346
Time: 2:00 PM (DST)

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held at the Ruidoso Downs Village Hall Council Chambers at 2:00 PM (DST) on Wednesday, September 3, 1997. Contractors will have the opportunity to view the site and existing conditions.

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LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE
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SPECIAL MEETING
AUGUST 21, 1997

Notice is hereby given that the Capital Improvement Advisory Committee will hold a Special Meeting for election of officers and consideration and possible action land use assumptions on Thursday, August 21, 1997. The Special Meeting will be held at Village Hall, 313 Cree Meadows Drive at 1:30 P.M. Meetings of the Capital Improvement Advisory Committee are open to the public. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Capital Improvement Advisory Committee will be Thursday, August 28, 1997. If you have questions please contact the Planning Department, Village of Ruidoso, 313 Cree Meadows Dr., Phone (505)258-4014.

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The Sun Valley Sanitation District Board of Directors will hold a special business meeting on August 21, 1997 at 7:00 P.M. at the Alto-Bonito Fire Station. On the agenda will be the operation and financial matters of the district.

/s/ Jo Steele
Secretary
Sun Valley Sanitation District

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LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on July 30, 1997, an application was filed with the Federal Communications Commission, Washington, D.C., by MTD, Inc. ("MTD"), for a permit to construct a new Commercial FM Radio Station in Ruidoso, New Mexico. MTD, Inc. is a New Mexico corporation, and its address is P.O. Drawer 2010, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico 88346. The names and address of all officers, directors and shareholders of MTD are Woodrow Michael Warren (whose address is 105 Sierra Lane, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico 88346), R.D. Hubbard (whose address is 73-405 El Paseo, #32D, Palm Desert, California 92260), and Edward A. Burger (whose address is 73-405 El Paseo, #32D, Palm Desert, California 92260).

The application specifies operation on Channel 268A (101.5 MHz), with an effective radiated power of 0.068 kilowatts, and a height above average terrain of 669 meters. The proposed location of the transmitting tower is atop Buck Mountain, 12.5 kilometers northnorthwest of Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, with geographical coordinates of Latitude 33-24-14, Longitude 105-46-56. The studio and offices will be established in the Ruidoso area, within the proposed station's 1 mV/m service contour, at an exact site to be determined upon grant of the application.

A copy of the Application for Construction Permit is available for public inspection during regular business hours at the following location:
1090 Mechem Drive
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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Lincoln Board of Commissioners shall hold a Public Hearing beginning at 1:00 P.M. on Tuesday, September 9, 1997, at the Lincoln County Courthouse, Commissioners Meeting Room, in Carrizozo, New Mexico. The purpose of the Public Hearing is to consider proposed amendments to the Lincoln County Subdivision Ordinance No. 1997-4.

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

MONROY A. MONTES, CHAIRMAN
LINCOLN COUNTY COMMISSION

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The application specifies operation on Channel 244C (96.7 MHz), with an effective radiated power of 25.0 kilowatts, and a height above average terrain of 878 meters. The proposed location of the transmitting tower is atop Buck Mountain, 12.5 kilometers northnorthwest of Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, with geographical coordinates of Latitude 33-24-14, Longitude 105-46-56. The studio and offices will be established in the Cloudcroft area, within the proposed station's 1 mV/m service contour, at an exact site to be determined upon grant of the application.

A copy of the Application for Construction Permit is available for public inspection during regular business hours at the following location:
Village Hall-Cloudcroft
201 Burro Avenue
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LEGAL NOTICE

On July 31, 1997, William E. Brown and Kellie k. Brown filed an application with the Federal Communications Commission for a construction permit for a new Class A FM station to operate on 101.5MHz at Ruidoso, New Mexico. The proposed station will operate with an effective radiated power of 6 kilowatts, at an antenna height of 66 meters above average terrain. The transmitter site will be located at the Alto Hill Electronics Site, 6.3 kilometers north of Ruidoso. The studio will be in a location to be determined within the station's 3.16 mV/m contour.

A copy of the application, amendments and related materials are on file for public inspection during regular business hours at the Ruidoso Public Library, Ruidoso, New Mexico.

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LEGAL NOTICE

The Lincoln County Agricultural and Rural Affairs Committee have re-scheduled their regular September meeting to Monday, August 25, 1997. The meeting will begin at 1 p.m. in the Commissioners Room of the Courthouse in Carrizozo.

AGENDA

Final Draft of Comprehensive Land and Use Plan.

Auxiliary aides are available upon request; please contact Martha Guevara at 648-2385 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting to make any necessary arrangements.

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LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE

On July 31, 1997, Richard E. Oppenheimer tendered an application to the Federal Communications Commission for a construction permit for a new Class A FM broadcast station to operate on 101.5 mHz (Channel 268A) at Ruidoso, New Mexico with 67 watts effective radiated power and an antenna height of 47 meters above ground from a transmitter site located atop Buck Mountain approximately 12 km NW of the center of Ruidoso in Lincoln County, New Mexico. The studios of the station will be at a location to be determined.

A copy of Mr. Oppenheimer's application, any amendments thereto and related materials are on file for public inspection during regular business hours at Ruidoso Public Library, 501 Junction Rd., Ruidoso, NM.

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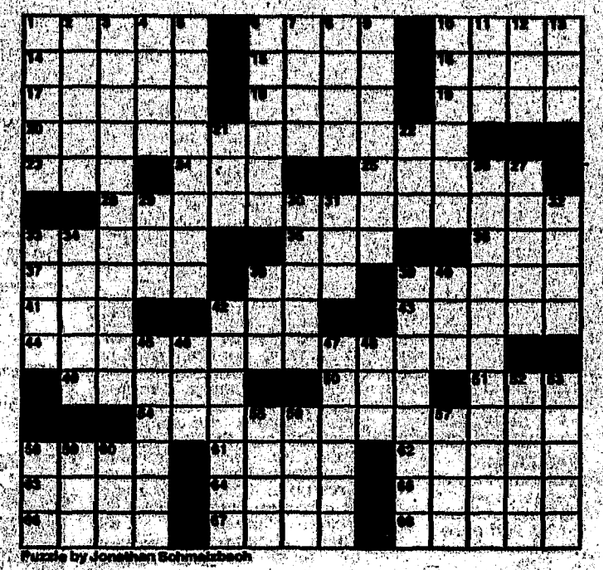

Puzzle by Jonathan Schmaizbach

ACROSS

1 Union flouters
6 It's mined in South Australia
10 Legendary Memphis recording company
14 City near Leipzig
15 Gossiper Barrett
16 Wyoming town named for a frontiersman
17 "——With a View"
18 Scored 100 on
19 Bailiff's cry
20 Pickup line
23 Famous twin
24 Slacker at the track
25 Name on old Asian maps
28 Pickup line
33 ——Tuck
35 Association: Abbr.
36 Vast amount
37 "—— people go"
38 Babe in the woods
39 Sorry ones
41 Somewhat: Suffix
42 Impediment
43 This may have fallout
44 Pickup line
46 Coup ——
50 Welcome item
51 Govt. pension agcy.
54 Blanket pickup line rejection
58 Jai ——
61 Spoken
62 Take —— (plop down)
63 Bath powder
64 Incense
65 Bridge, in Bologna
66 Rams' mates
67 Predicament
68 Show of derision

DOWN

1 Ghost
2 "Gigi" star
3 Song from "Call Me Mister," 1946
4 Ink smudge
5 Religious school
6 Jungle swingers
7 Somewhat, in music
8 Freshly
9 It's spotted in a garden
10 Turns inside out, so to speak
11 Mattel item
12 "Fables in Slang" author
13 —— Affair
21 "Krazy" one
22 1983 hit "—— House"
26 Play staging
27 Maturation catalysts
29 Ingredient in a Western 47-Down
30 The Beatles' "Baby —— a Rich Man"
31 Spinner in space
32 Harper's Weekly cartoonist
33 Cannes cop
34 Fix the lawn
36 Train unit
38 Hovels
40 Western Indian
42 Race track supporters
45 Legal subject
46 "Ball ——"
47 See 29-Down
48 Marvy
52 Roll right along
53 China ——
56 Misstep
59 Angelic headgear
57 "The race ——!"
58 Broke bread
59 Fortas's forte
60 Half pints, maybe

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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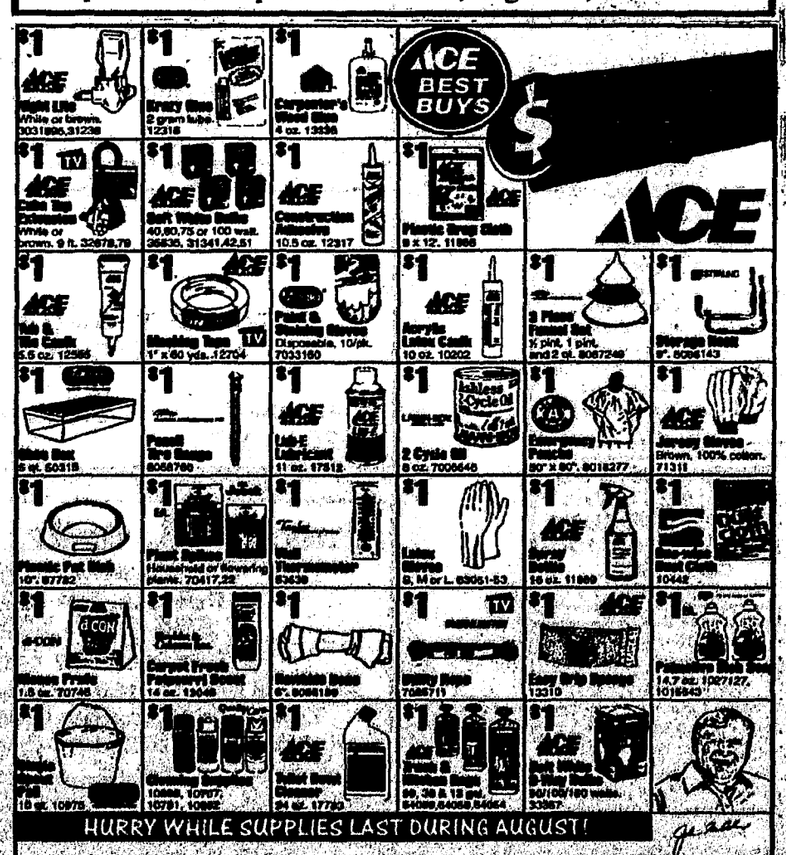

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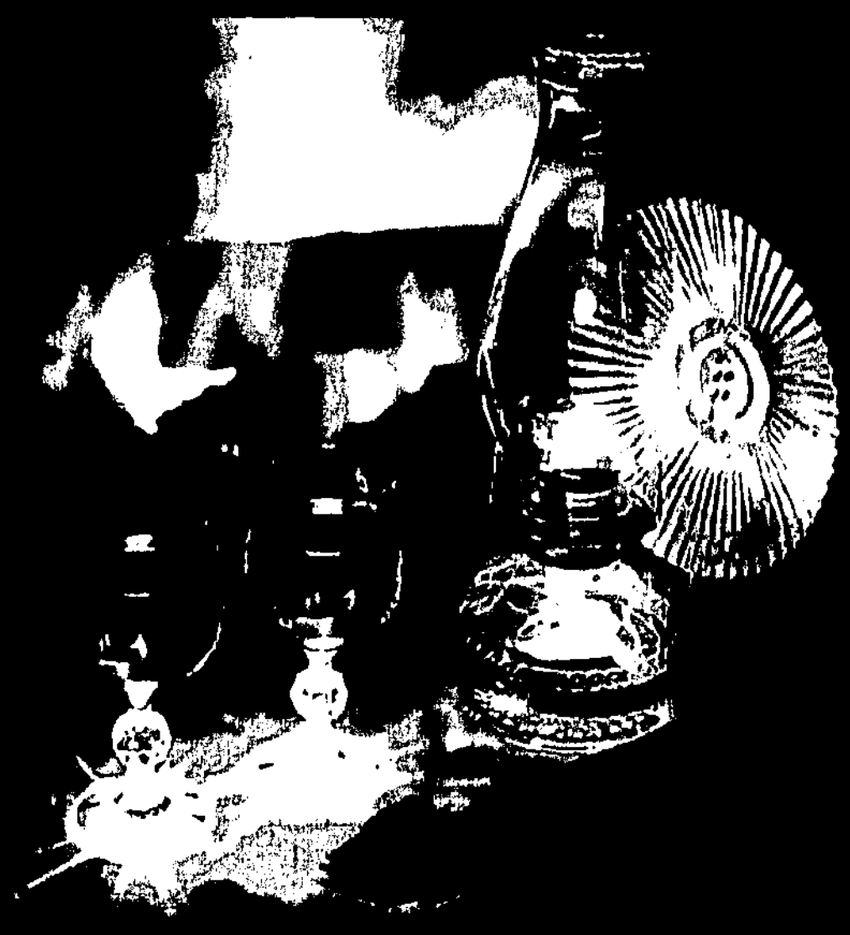

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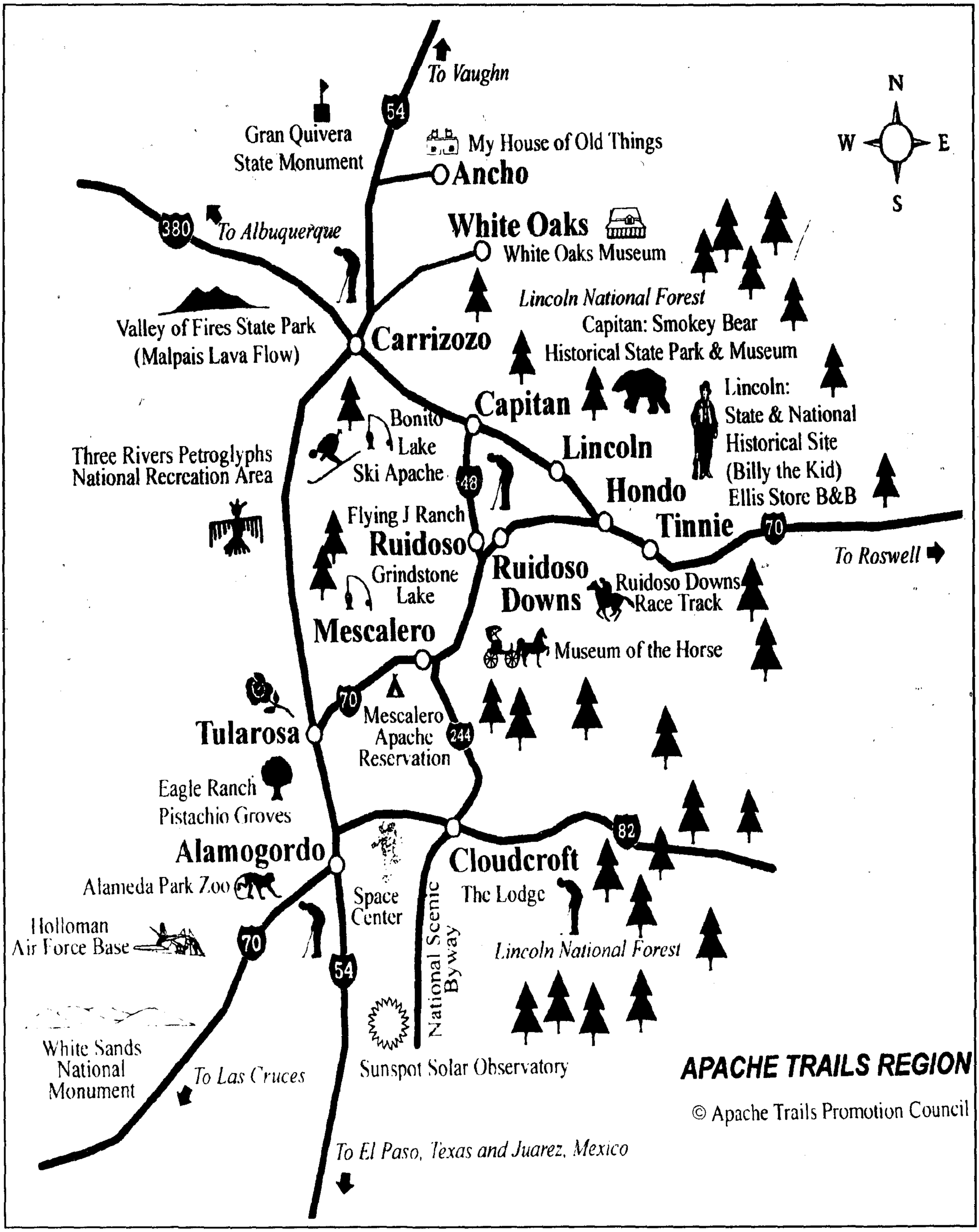
New Mexico's Golden Triangle/page 3

Area has wealth of recreation



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History engrossing in Lincoln County

To grasp what Lincoln County's history is about, visitors should consider the variety of museums. Here's an overview:

The Museum of the Horse is open daily 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., May 1 to Labor Day, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., September through October. From November through April, hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday. General admission $4; children $2.50; seniors 65 and older, $3.

Located on U.S. 70, next to Ruidoso Downs Race Track, the museum celebrates the horse and its role in the American West. Out front, seven striking horse sculptures announce it.

Phone numbers for museums

Lincoln State Monument (for Historic Settlement of Lincoln tours): 505-653-4372

Lincoln County Heritage Trust Historical Center: 505-653-4025

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Museum of the Horse: 505-378-4600

Smokey Bear Museum: 505-354-2298

Ancho Museum "My House of Old Things:" 505-648-2456

White Oaks Schoolhouse Museum: 505-648-2328

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The horses are the work of Ruidoso artist Dave McGary, who unveiled the "Free Spirits at Noisy Water" in 1995.

In the museum, visitors will find the private collection of the late Anne C. Stradling. Through Stradling's bequest, her 10,000-piece collection was moved to the former Hubbard Museum (owned by Ruidoso Downs Race Track owner R.D. and Joan Dale Hubbard).

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The Lincoln Historical Center is the place to begin a walking tour of the town, and is where visitors can purchase admission tickets. It's open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.

A tour starts with a 10-minute slide show which explains the economic conflict that was at the root of the Lincoln County War. Exhibits focus on Billy the Kid. Displays also concentrate on the area's Mescalero Apache Indians, Buffalo Soldiers, cowboys and theHispanic heritage.

Down the street is the **Lincoln County Courthouse** where Billy the Kid made his infamous escape by shooting his way out of imprisonment. The museum houses gun exhibits, artifacts like the Kid's spurs, and a life-size portrait of Billy.

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The two-story adobe courthouse was built in 1873-74 and became a museum in 1939. It's open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.

The Tunstall Store Museum is open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. May through September. The museum tells the story of the young and wealthy store owner, John Henry Tunstall, who was murdered a year after building the store in 1877.

Also in Lincoln is **Dr. Wood's House**, a museum which closely resembles a doctor's office and home during the early 1900s. The house is open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., May through September.

Travel west on 380 to Capitan. There, the **Smokey Bear Museum** is open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. May through September. Admission is free.

The museum, next to Smokey Bear State Park, tells of the black bear cub that later became the symbolic mascot of U.S. Forest Service fire prevention. Smokey was found after a wildfire that raged through the Capitan Mountains in 1950.

Ancho Museum, or "My House of Old Things," may be reached by traveling west on Highway 380. Turn north on Highway 54 at Carrizozo and go about 25 miles north to Ancho. The museum is open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, May through Oct. 15.

This is a museum housed in Ancho's former nine-room railroad depot, run by L.Y. and Sara Jackson. The depot contains an array of 100-year-old railroad artifacts, clothing, appliances, photographs, guns, telegraph equipment, china and furniture.

The old mining community of **White Oaks** is northeast of Carrizozo. Take U. S. 54 north and head east into White Oaks on Highway 349.

The White Oaks Schoolhouse is open 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

This schoolhouse is where students at the once-thriving White Oaks were educated from 1895 to 1947. A new museum, the Miner's House, is open daily, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. May through September.

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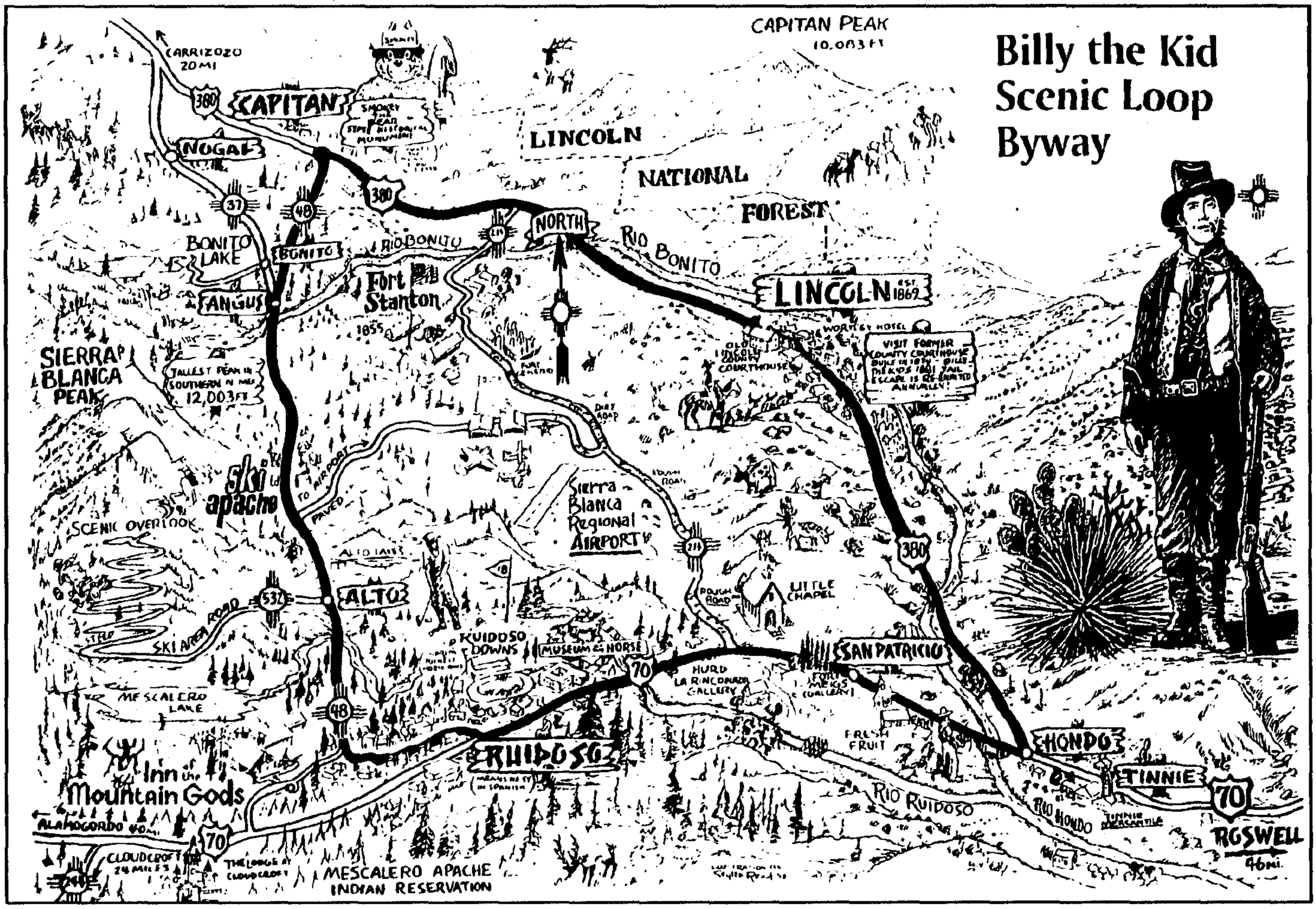
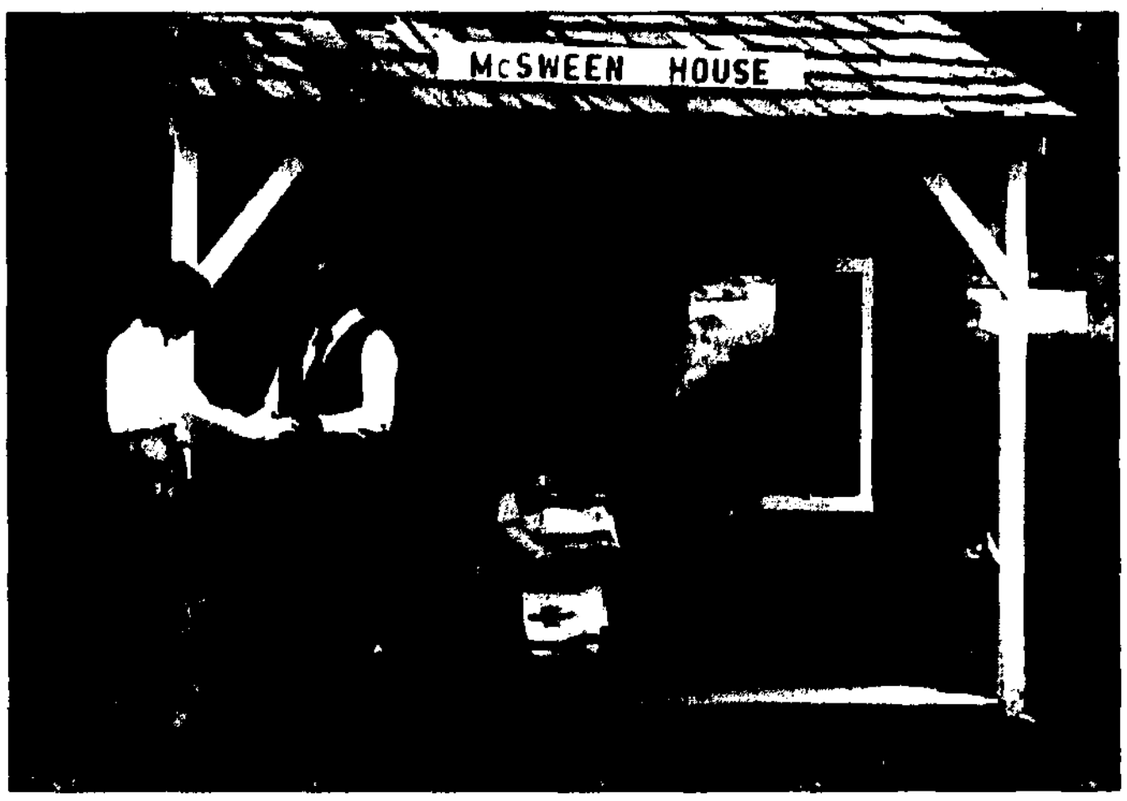


Coming soon: Billy the Kid Byway

With a new interpretive center due completion this fall, Lincoln County's recently designated Billy the Kid Scenic Byway will become an extra-special treat for visitors. The interpretive center will be adjacent to the Museum of the Horse on U. S. Highway 70, and will represent an investment of more than $500,000.

The trail (see above) crosses the trails of the infamous outlaw himself, who made his fame during the Lincoln County War more than a century ago.



Tension mounts at the McSween House before the final battle at the annual re-enactment of the Lincoln County War.

Much of the war took place in the community of Lincoln, which remains essentially unchanged since the 1880s except for the paved main street. The town has been designated an historic district, so it won't change much in the future, either. Historic markers all over town make even a solo walking tour educational.

Three museums tell about the real Billy the Kid, show the only authenticated photo of the outlaw (owned by one of the musuems), and tell of sites that he frequented. At the courthouse, for example, holes are left in the wall by Billy's bullets when he escaped from jail in 1881.

Historic markers already dot the new scenic loop. One on Highway 70 just west of Hondo

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points to the site of the John Tunstall murder, which ignited the Lincoln County War of 1878-1879.

The now-peaceful Hondo Valley also has fruit stands dotting the roadside, historic churches, and the unique Hurd La Rinconado and Fort Meigs art galleries.

The best source of Old West history in the Ruidoso area is the Museum of the Horse, where displays honor the role the horse has played in the settling of the West.

A multitude of art galleries and shops can be found in the Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs area, the population center of Lincoln County.

The loop north on Highway 48 out of Ruidoso climbs past the Ski Apache turnoff and then heads into Capitan, home of the Smokey Bear State Historical Monument and museum. Smokey Bear was rescued from a fire-ravaged area of the nearby Capitan Mountains, and after making his fame in a Washington, D.C., zoo, he was returned to Capitan for his final resting place. East on Highway 380 out of Capitan, is a turn-off to Fort Stanton, where the likes of Blackjack Pershing and Kit Carson once served. It's worth a short detour on a paved road. Local groups hope to develop a living history museum at the site in the years ahead.

The victorious "Murphy Men" stand over the fallen "Regulators."

Re-enactors gather in front of the set of "Old Lincoln Town."

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Ruidoso Downs nearing 51st season

Quality racing has been the hallmark of exciting summers in Ruidoso for five decades

Ruidoso Downs racing is on again this year, the 51st consecutive meeting for Quarterhorses and Thoroughbreds.

The track has planned a 49-day meet – primarily three-day racing weekends – between Memorial Day and Labor Day.

Things will kick off on May 23 with the trials for the Ruidoso Quarterhorse Sales Futurity. Post time is 1 p.m. The opening weekend also will include the $10,000-added Road Runner Handicap on May 25.

And, for the first time at Ruidoso Downs, trials for the Clovis Classic Futurity will be run on May 24, with the finals on June 7. The Classic will be limited to animals acquired through the Clovis (N.M.) sales ring.

The futurity trials will be run on opening day May 23, with the 10 fastest qualifiers returning to run in the first leg of the Ruidoso Triple Crown which includes the Rainbow and All American futurities.

The centerpiece of the entire season of course will be the 38th running of the All American Futurity on Labor Day, Sept. 1.

Simulcasting (all year around) consists of full cards from Hollywood Park, including the popular Hollywood Nights on Fridays. Ruidoso Downs also brings in the full cards from the Downs at Albuquerque until its closing, as well as Santa Fe when its meets begin in mid-June.

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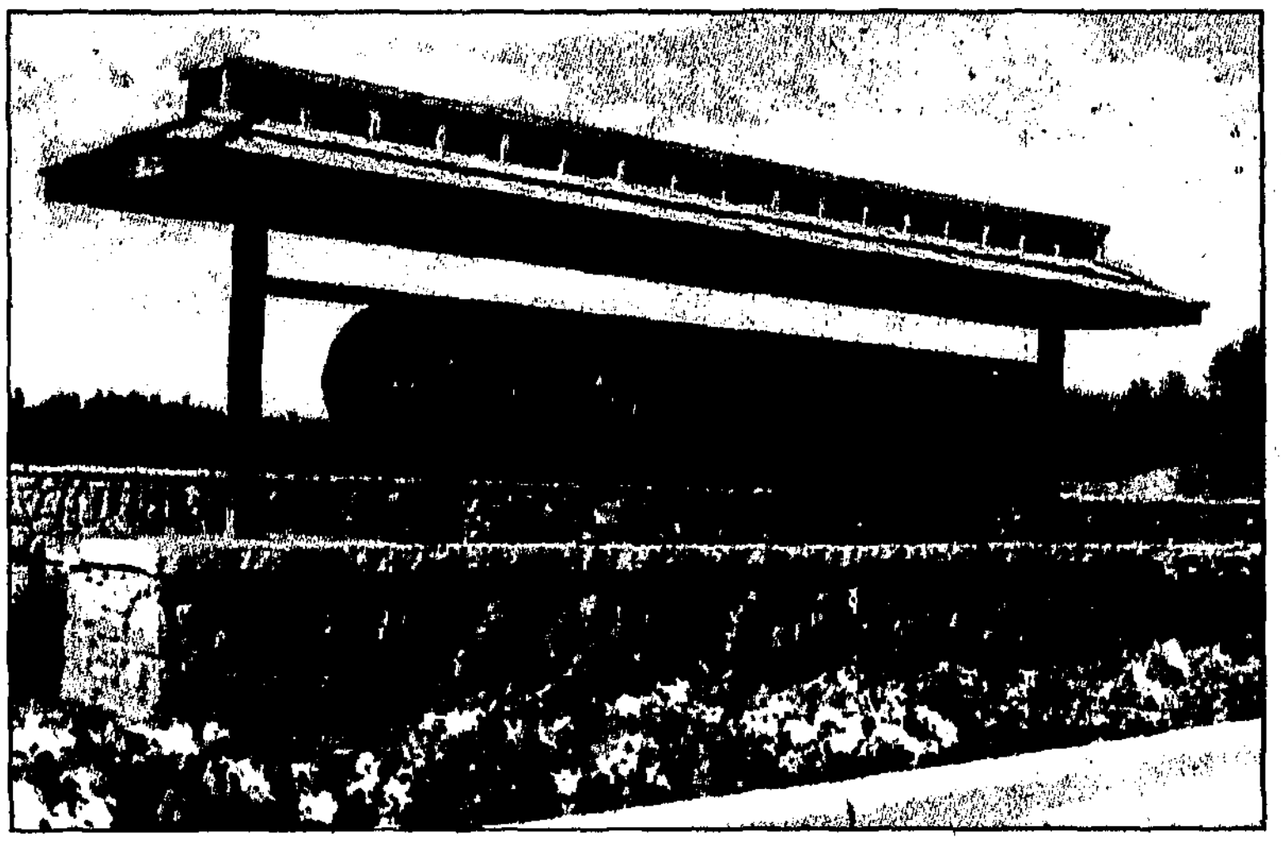

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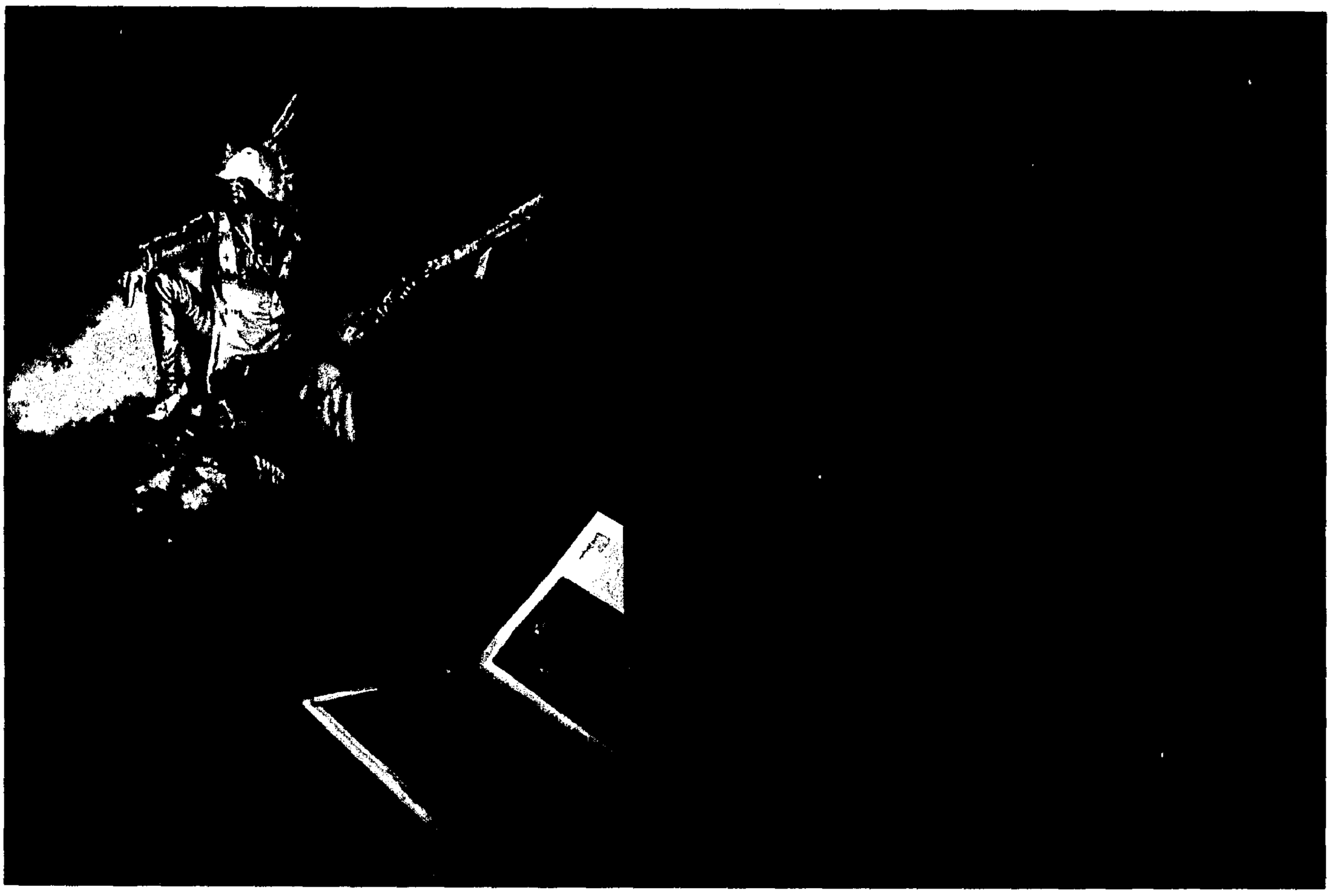
Competition among the jockeys will be as strong as ever, with many veteran riders returning to the cool pines.

Racing will take place throughout the summer on a Friday through Sunday schedule except on opening and closing weekends, when racing will also take place on Monday, May 26 and Monday, Sept. 3.

Also on the schedule will be two special Thursday race days, one on July 3 (the Master Salls Handicap) and the second on Aug. 14 for the All American Futurity trials.

The race schedule for 1997 is tentative, pending approval by the New Mexico State Racing Commission. For more information, race fans may call Ruidoso Downs Racing, Inc. at (505) 378-4431.

Ruidoso Downs, the real jewel of Quarterhorse racing's Triple Crown.



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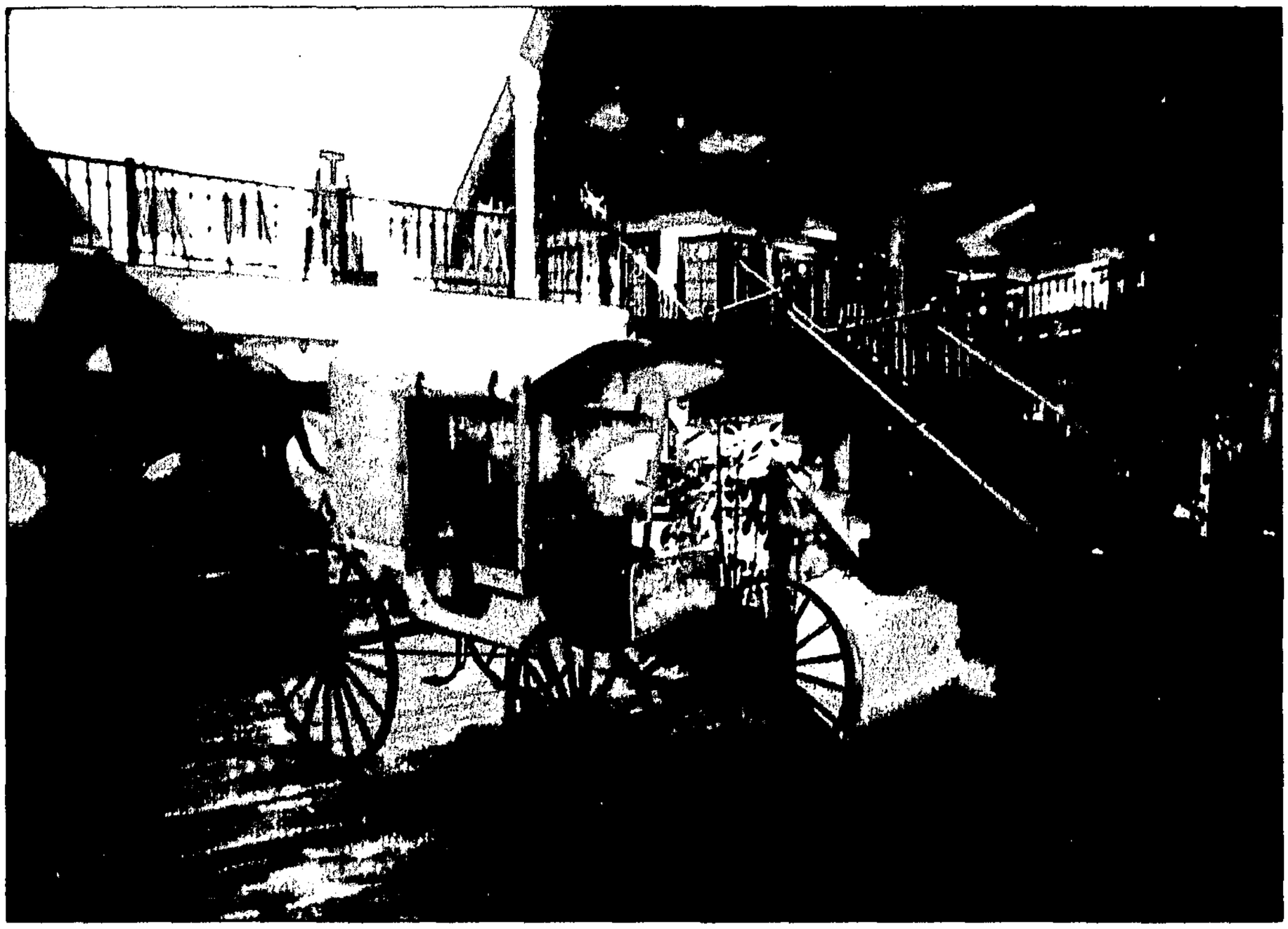

The Museum of the Horse (above) in Ruidoso Downs has one of the most extensive collections of horse memorabilia in the nation. A fascinating display of firearms dating back 200 years is on display through March 31. The museum also hosts a wide variety of educational and fun events nearly every weekend. Ruidoso Downs Race Track (below) opens May 23 with live racing which continues through Labor Day. Simulcast races are shown throughout the winter months.

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Simulcasting, pull tabs available year round

If you want a chance to make back some of the money you spend on your vacation, check out the simulcast horse races and pull tabs in the Ruidoso area.

Simulcast horse racing runs all winter at the Ruidoso Downs Sports Theater, and pull tabs are available at the main lobby of the Mescalero Apache Tribe's Inn of the Mountain Gods.

The state government also offers scratch games and Powerball through many local convenience stores.

Open September-May, the Ruidoso Downs Sports Theater offers some of the best simulcast pony action in the west, as well as full food service, beverages and parimutuel windows for wagering.

Doors open at 11 a.m. Thursday through Monday, and stay open until the last race, which on Friday and Saturday nights can be as late as midnight. Thursday, Sunday and Monday, the last race is usually around 6 p.m.

About 45 large television screens are situated throughout the theater, which can be viewed from the kitchen, bar area and corridor for free. Football and other sports can also be viewed on some of the TVs, and about 25 nine-inch monitors also fill the building.

The theater is located a half-mile east of Ruidoso Downs Race Track, off of U.S. 70 on Service Lane. It's the first road east of the Horseman's entrance between the Museum of the Horse and the racetrack.

For more information about the theater or races, call 505-378-4431 or 505-378-4627.

Those seeking instant gratification when placing bets should make a gamble with a pull tab game.

The cards, for sale at the Mescalero Apache Tribe's Inn of the Mountain Gods, cost from 25 cents to $1 and offer winnings as great as $5,000.

To purchase a pull tab card, just go to the lobby of the Inn, which is located about two miles from Ruidoso on Carrizo Canyon Road.

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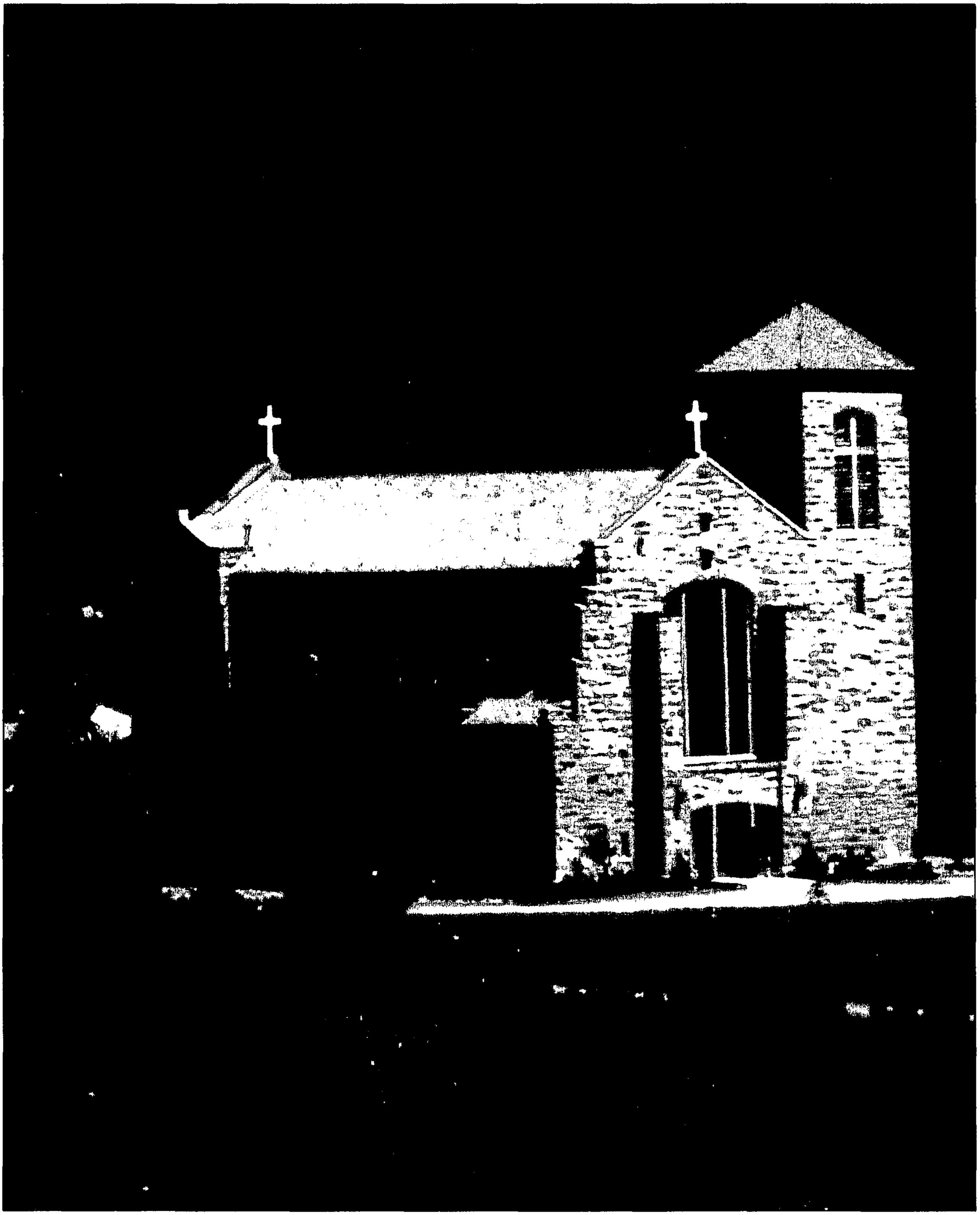

St. Joseph Apache Mission in Mescalero reveals the fascinating merger of traditional Mescalero Apache Indian religion with Christianity. Towering over the community along U.S. Highway 70, it is open to the public.

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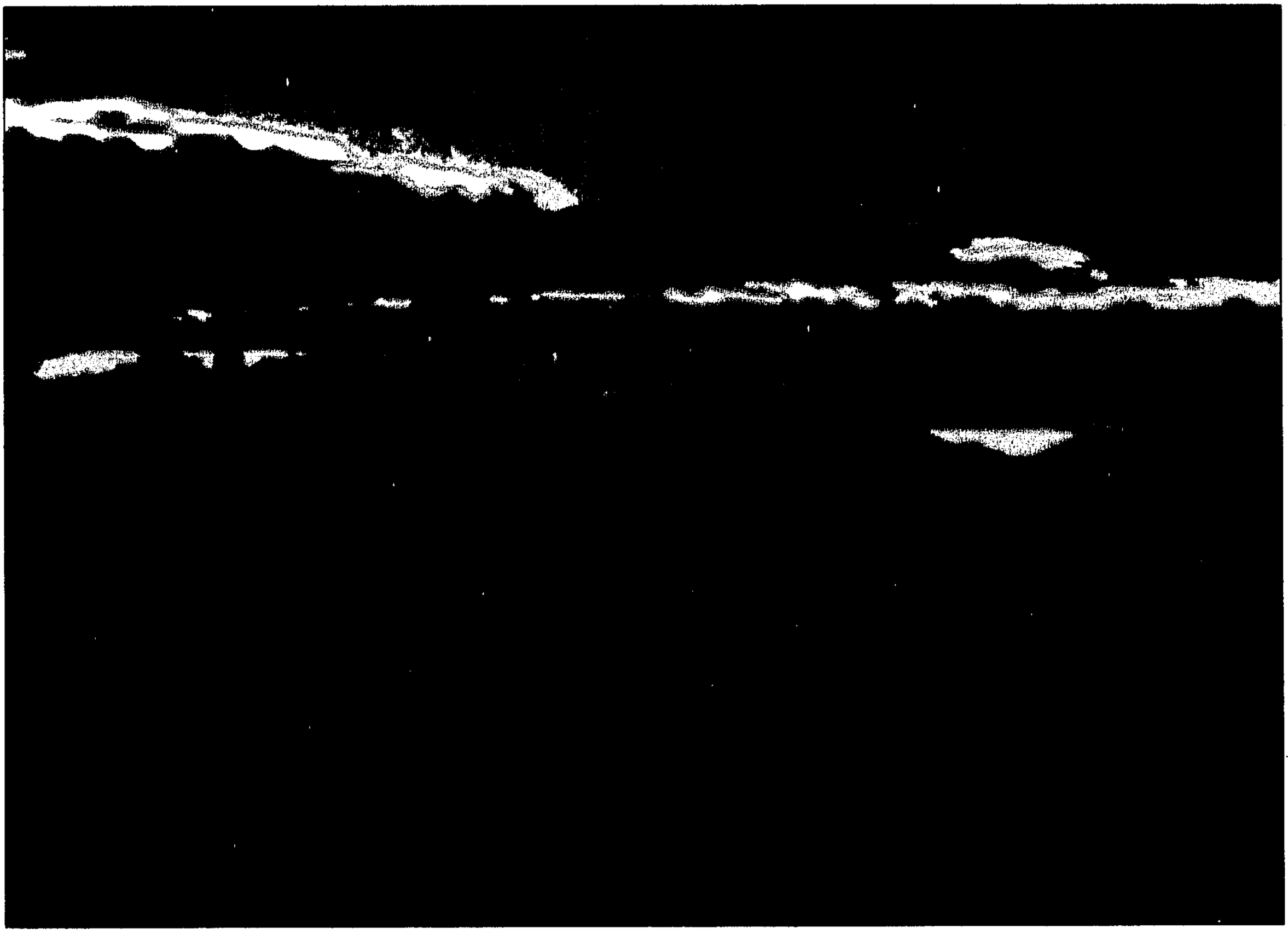
Alamogordo's Space Center (left) includes the International Space Hall of Fame, Clyde W. Tombaugh Omnimax Theatre and Planetarium, John P. Stapp Air and Space Park, Hubbard Space Science Education Building, and Shuttle Camp. (Below) The largest expanse of white sands in the world, White Sands National Monument near Alamogordo offers a spectacular contrast to the Organ Mountains at sunset. The sands stay cool in the summer because of their lack of color, and sledding down the dunes is a favorite pastime of visitors to the park. Several programs, such as striking tours during full moons, are offered on a regular basis.



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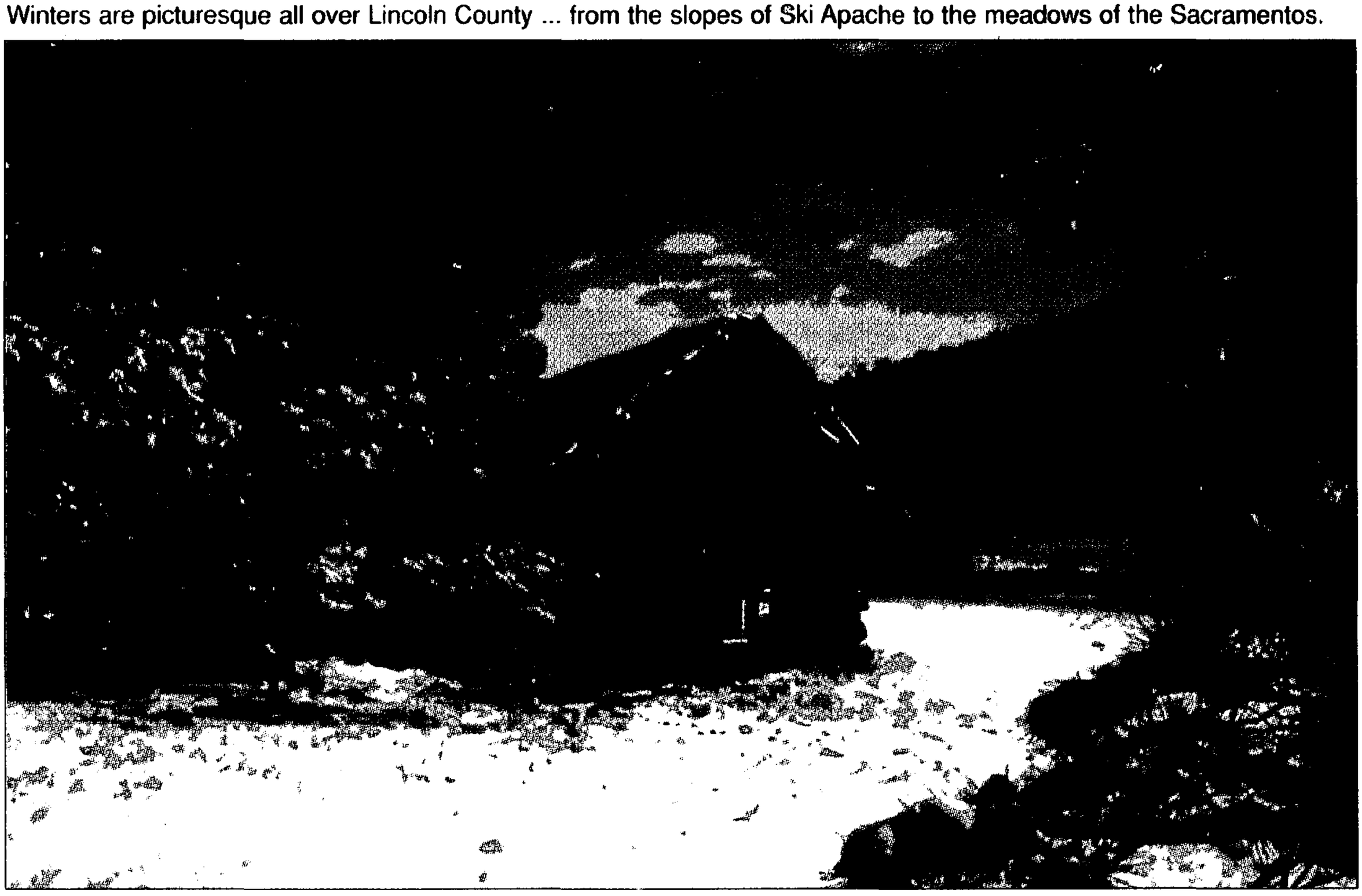
Winters are picturesque all over Lincoln County ... from the slopes of Ski Apache to the meadows of the Sacramentos.



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Lodging abounds in Ruidoso

At the intersection of U. S. Highway 70 and State Road 48 in Ruidoso, it's noted that 48 lodges are ready and waiting to receive guests in Ruidoso. They range from luxurious suites to simple log cabins tucked in the Upper Canyon.

Near the "Y" on U. S. 70 is Ruidoso's newest facility, a Holiday Inn Express.

It is an addition to a cluster of motels serving the "entrance" to the Village. Located conveniently for travelers along Highway 70, these facilities also are popular with summer visitors who want a short commute to the Ruidoso Downs Race Track and Museum of the Horse—just a skip and a jump to the east and a notch beyond the site of a new Wal-Mart superstore to open in the fall of 1996.

National "branded" motels such as Days Inn and Super 8, and a number of budget motels also are located in the area.

Rental rates vary with the location and the season, but the odds are that something will be available when a call is received.

A destination resort for many from New Mexico and neighboring states, the Mescalero Apache Tribe-owned Inn of the Mountain Gods provides all resort conveniences (golf, boating, hiking, horseback riding, a variety of restaurants, excellent accommodations) with the added attraction of Casino Apache.

The main dining room, called In-A-Da, has been beautifully remodeled and opened on Easter weekend for the summer season of 1997.

From one of the high overlooks, on the main route (Mechem Drive) to Alto Lakes and Ski Apache from Ruidoso, the Swiss Chalet (a Best Western) offers fine accommodations, dining and spectacular views from balconies that seem to be at the top of the world.

But for many frequent vacationers in the area, the family-operated lodges, cabins and condos tucked away on byways and in quiet canyons have become "summer homes" that bring them back each year. Several of the most popular ones are convenient to Midtown in the delightful Upper Canyon area and along Sudderth Drive.

The list below offers a variety. More information is available on the Internet at *http://www.ruidoso.net*.

Guide to lodges in the Golden Triangle

Ruidoso

A-Frame Cabins • 505/258-5656 • 800-333-7079 • 2 & 3 bdrm , pool hot tub, pets, C / TV, kitchens, fireplaces, wood 1012 Mechem Dr.

Canyon Cabins • 505/257-2076 • 1, 2 & 3 bdrm., C / TV, kitchens, fireplaces, king beds. 416 Main Rd

Casey's Cabins • 505/257-6355 • River cabins Complete kitchens, fireplaces, C / TV. Next to midtown shops & restaurants King, queen beds. 2640 Sudderth Dr

Cro's Nest Motel & Apts. • 505/257 2773 • Large 2 & 3 bdrm , kitchens, C / TV, sm pets w/approval, fireplaces 143 Upper Terrace Rd

Dan Dee Cabins • 505/257-2165 • 800/ 345 4848 • Acres & acres of forest with charming mountain cottages, fireplaces, river, ski paks, racetrack box, all attractions nearby 310 Main Rd.

El Alto Lodge • 505/257 2528 • 800/269-3837 • Cabins, rooms, kitchens, fireplaces, color TV, fully furnished Convenient to golf course & Convention center 404 Mechem

Forest Home Cabins • 505/257-4504 • Clean, cozy, fully furnished cabins 1-4 bdrm cabins w/kitchenettes, C / TV, fireplaces, no pets please 436 Main Rd

High Country Lodge • 505/336-4321 • 800/845-7265 • Located 4 miles north of Ruidoso on Hwy. 48 32 2 bdrm cabins, fireplaces, kitchens, C / TV, heated pool, jacuzzi, game room, children under 18 free Hwy 48, Alto

Hurd Ranch Guest Homes • 505/653-4331 • 800/658-6912 • Three adobe casitas, authentic antiques, private patios, designer furnishings, fireplaces & art by the Hurd-Wyeth family Hurd-La Rinconada gallery on site Hwy 70, San Patricio

Idle Hour Lodge • 505, 257-2711 • 800/ 831-1186 • 13, 2 bdrm rustic cabins in pines near river Kitchens, grills, C / TV, fireplaces, fully equipped, playground, ski paks, hot tub, BBQ pit, groups 100 Lower Terrace

LaJunta Guest Ranch • 505/ 336-4361 • 800/443-8423 • 10 cabins, C / TV, fireplaces, mtg room, courtyard, BBQ Sun Valley Rd , Alto

Mountain Air Cabins • 505/ 257 5600 • Year round, rustic / modern, secluded, relaxing, family vacation, fishing, nature trails, BBQ, picnic tables, C / TV, fireplaces, kitchens 1129 Main Rd

Noisy Water Lodge • 505/257-3881 • 800/810-5440 • Ten woodsy cabins, fully furnished. 1-3 bdrms with kitchens, C/TV, some fireplaces, meeting hall, near river. No pets. 1301 Main Rd.

Ponderosa Courts • 505/257-2631 • 1, 2 & 3 bdrm, ski pak, C/TV, kitchens, fireplaces, close to river, park & hiking. No Pets. 104 N. Laurel.

The Riverdeck • 505/257-7498 • 2 bdrm, kitchen, livingroom, fireplace, C / TV, on the river, no pets. 101 Sleigh Rd.

Riverside Cottages • 505/257-4753 • 800/328-2804 • Five 1 & 2 bdrm cottages w/fireplaces, antique decor, on river, small pets w/ approval. 101 Flume Canyon

Ruidoso Lodge Cabins • 505/257-2510 • 800/953-2510 • Clean, recently redecorated, on the river. 1-3 bdrm cabins w/kitchens, fireplaces, porch & TV. 300 Main.

Sherwood Forest • 505/257-2424 • 800/67609515 • 14 cabins, 6 rm motel. Fireplaces, kitchens, indoor pool 496 Main Rd.

Sierra Blanca Cabins • 505/257-2103 or 258-4061 • 12 quaint 1 & 2 bdrm log cabins w/fireplaces, kitchenettes, C / TV (HBO), outdoor grill & children's playground. Convenient to midtown shops & attractions. 217 Country Club Rd

Starlite Cabins • 505/257-2255 • 6 units, pets allowed. 1/4 mile north from Sudderth and Mechem intersection.

Story Book Cabins • 505/257-2115 • Charming knotty pine cabins each with a cozy stone fireplace and complete kitchen Just minutes from downtown area, yet quiet and secluded 1, 2, 3 bdrm, C / TV (HBO), fax, no pets. 410 Main Rd.

Tepee Cabins • 505/257-4418 • 800/208-3733 • 1 & 2 bdrm Close to river. Walk to midtown, kitchens, C / TV. No pets please 100 Mechem Dr

Track & Ski Lodge • 505/336-4240 • 800/687-0620 • Motel rms, 2 bdrm/2 bath cabins, kitchen, fireplaces, queen beds No pets Hwy 48 N , Alto

Upper Canyon Inn • 505/257-3005 • 888/4RUIDOSO • 1 & 2 bdrm cabins, fireplaces, kitchen, C / TV, ski pak No pets 205 Main Rd.

Whispering Pine Cabins • 505/257-4311 • 1 & 2 bdrm, king beds, kitchens, fireplaces, C / TV 422 Main Rd

Alpine Lodge • 505/257-4423 • 11 units, ski pak, C/TV, small pets. 2805 Sudderth.

Apache Motel • 505/247-2986 • 800/426-0616 • Clean, moderate rates, sm pets, kitchenettes. 344 Sudderth.

Best Western Swiss Chalet • 505/258-3333 • 800/47-SWISS • 82 units, restaurant/lounge, swimming pool, spa, dry steam sauna, meeting rooms. 1451 Mechem.

Bestway Inn • 505/278-8000 • 20 units, room service, ski pak, king & queen beds, fax. Pets allowed w/permission. 2052 Hwy. 70 W., Ruidoso Downs.

Cree Manor Inn • 505/257-4058 • Motel rooms, 1& 2 bdrm luxury apts, ski pak, C/TV, phones. Paradise Canyon & Starlite Rd.

Days Inn • 505/378-4299 • 800/DAYS INN • 50 units, king & queen beds. Suites available w/jacuzzi tubs. Smoking & nonsmoking rooms. Heated indoor pool & spa. WID avail. Fax. Free cont'l breakfast. 2088 Hwy. 70 W., Ruidoso Downs.

Economy Inn • 505/378-4706 • Newly remodeled 17, one-level units with parking in front. 1, 2 & 3 beds in room. Single-king beds, C/TV, ski paks, air conditioning, sauna, phones, fax, pets w/permission, next to restaurant. Hwy. 70, Ruidoso Downs.

Enchantment Inn • 505/378-4051 • 800/435-0280 • 80 hotel rooms, adjoining suites, indoor pool/jacuzzi. Outdoor patio/BBQ, rooms available w/private jacuzzi. Banquet/meeting rooms. Guest laundry, restaurant, bar. Hwy. 70.

Holiday Inn Express • 505/257-3736 • 800/HOLIDAY • 104 rooms, 6 suites with king beds, sleeper sofa, microwaves and refrigerators. Outdoor pool and spa Free continental breakfast. 400 W. Hwy. 70.

Inn of the Mountain Gods & Casino Apache • 505/257-5141 • 800/545-9011 • 253 units, conference facility for 600, whirlpool, pool, tennis courts, spa, restaurants, lounge, golf course.

Innsbruck Lodge • 505/257-4071 • 47 rms, open year round, convenient to midtown and only 10 minutes from racetrack. Fax. 601 Sudderth.

The Lodge • 505/682-2566 • 800-395-6343 • 47 rms, 11 B&B, Corp Ret. sleeps 8. A historic resort where Victorian tradition and majestic scenery join to form a world of charm and romance. Rest./saloon. P.O. Box 497, Cloudcroft

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Oscuro High Desert Hostel • 505/648-4007 • 1914 Adobe ranch house on 240 acres. Budget accommodations for travelers, 2 dormitories and 2 private rooms. Fully stocked kitchen and large common room. Free laundry and linens. A great weekend getaway/business retreat. 15 miles south of Carrizozo on Hwy. 54.

Pines Motel on the River • 505/257-4334 • 800-257-4834 • 10 clean, cozy, 1 level newly remodeled rms on the river. Centrally located, C/TV, ceiling fans, Ski Pak, on-site fishing, outdoor grill and picnic area. 620 Sudderth.

Ruidoso Super 8 Motel • 505/378-8181 • 800-843-1991 • 63 units, non-smoking, handicap room, C/TV, w/ remote, sauna, spa, phones. Hwy 70.

Shadow Mountain Lodge • 505/257-4886 • 800-441-4331 • 19 units.C/TV, phones, no pets, fireplaces, kitchenettes, hot tub avail. Designed for couples. Upper Canyon. 107 Main Rd.

Sitzmark Chalet • 505/257-4140 • 800-658-9694 • 17 units, K&Q beds, some fireplaces, C/TV, in-room coffee, refrigerators, microwaves, phone, hot tub, no pets, most major credit cards, centrally located. 627 Sudderth.

Sunset Canyon Lodge • 505/257-3566 • 800-687-2685 • 5 units, fully equipped kitchen suites & rooms. Hot tub, non-smoking, TV/HBO, walking distance to Midtown shops and dining, fireplaces available. 102 Park Ave.

Thunderbird Lodge • 505/257-3908 • 800-416-3908 • One of Ruidoso's historic landmarks, recently reopened and remodeled. Motel type rooms, 1 & 2 bedroom suites with fully equipped kitchens. Some fireplaces, cable TV, BBQ and picnic areas. All rooms non-smoking. Bike tours. Se habla Espanol. 205 Mechem Dr.

Villa Inn Motel • 505/378-4471 •800-447-8455 • 60 rms, phones, restaurant, C/TV, heated pool, courtesy coffee. W. Hwy 70.

Village Lodge • 505/258-5442 • 800-722-3779 • All suite lodge, kitchens, fireplaces, hot tub. 1000 Mechem Dr.

West Winds Lodge • 505/800-421-0691 • C/C/TV, kitchens, fireplaces, indoor heated pool, hot tub. 208 S. Eagle Dr.

Winners Inn • 505/257-5886 • 7 rms, courtesy coffee, commercial rates, no pets, convenient to Midtown. In-room phones. 1508 Sudderth.

Alto Alps Condos • 505/336-4377 • 800-962-1420 • 122 luxury condos on 52 wooded acres. Clubhouse, meeting facilities, game room, outdoor pool, game courts, dry saunas. 1-4 bdrm units. Fireplaces, fully equipped kitchens, phones, color & cable TV. Hwy 48 & Sun Valley Rd., Alto.

Aspen Lodge • 505/257-2978 • All suites, Ski Pak, fireplaces, C/TV, pets w/ permission. 159 Upper Terrace.

Big Pine Lodge • 505/258-3100 • 800-697-3100 • 1, 2 &3 bdrm, C/TV, fireplaces, no pets, w/d, full kitchens w/ dishwasher. 103 Raymond Buckner Dr.

Champions Run Condominiums • 505/378-8080 • Fully equipped 2 & 3 bdrm. Fireplace, washer/dryer, C/TV & phones. Jacuzzi & outdoor pool. Timeshare & rental monthly, weekly, nightly. Located next to Ruidoso Downs Racetrack. 819 Hwy 70, Ruidoso Downs.

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Fairway Meadows • 505/257-4019 • 800-545-9013 • Located on Cree Meadows Golf Course. 2 bed/2 bath. Fireplaces/wood, C/TV, phones, washer/dryer, air conditioning. Ski Pak, group rates, no pets. 120 Lower Terrace.

High Sierra Condominiums • 505/257-6913 • Timeshare & rental, C/C/TV, 1,2, & 3 bdrms, fireplaces, phones, w/d. 501 Excalibur Rd.

Innsbrook Village Management • 505/258-5441 • 800-284-0294 • 1-4 bdrm luxury condos, swimming pool, tennis courts, 3 par, 9 hole golf course. 146 Geneva.

Lookout Estates • 505/257-5064 • 800-545-5137 • 1 to 5 bdrm, fireplaces, private decks, kitchens, dishwashers, w/d, clubhouse, pool (May-Labor Day). 220 Lookout Dr.

Pinecliff Village • 505/378-4427 • Condos, pool, C/TV, phones, fireplaces. W Hwy 70.

Pinon Park Rentals • 505/258-4129 • 800-457-4656 • 2 to 5 bdrm luxury condos, fully furnished & equipped w/laundry, fireplaces, phones, C/TV. Located amid scenic tall pines overlooking The Links Golf Course. 108 Jack Little Dr.

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Casa De Patron • 505/653-4676 • 653-4500 • Adobe with hand-hewn beams, private courtyard, quiet, fine food. Billy the Kid, our most famous house guest. 5 bdrms, w/private baths. Also 2 casitas. Lincoln.

Ellis Store & Co. • 505/653-4609 • 800-653-6460 • 1870s historic dwelling nestled in Rio Bonito Valley. Stay in the room where Billy the Kid slept. Breakfast fresh from the oven & evening dinner by reservation. Hwy 380, Lincoln.

Monjeau Shadows • 505/336-4191 • All meals available. Private baths & TVs. Children and pets welcome. Nogal.

Paz De Nogal • 505/354-2826 • 1856 restored adobe ranch house, courtyard, fireplaces, hiking & horse trails. Tennis courts & stables. A short drive to Lincoln, Capitan & Ski Apache. Nogal.

Sierra Mesa Lodge • 505/336-4515 • Elegant bed & breakfast, hot tub, spa, non-smokers, 5 beautiful suites. Gourmet breakfast & high tea. Only Triple A 4-diamond hotel in southern New Mexioc. Alto.

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Bonita Park RV Park & Retreat • 505/336-4404 • 9 miles north of Ruidoso, dormitory facilities, bath house, RV park, five meeting rooms, 3 dining rooms. Capitan.

Bonito Hollow Campground • 505/336-4325 • Full and partial hook-ups, tent sites and cabins on river.

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Showers, restrooms, laundry, pavilion and fire rings in forest setting. Alto.

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Recreation Village RV & Mobile Home Park • 505/258-3145 • Full hookups, next to The Links Golf Course & Jogging Trail. 717 E. White Mountain Rd.

Riverside RV Park • 505/257-3428 • 16 sites by the river. Full hookups, C/TV, fishing. Easy access to shopping, racing, skiing, casino. 298 Gavilan Canyon.

Safe Haven RV Park • 505/257-5765 • 800/387-7701 • No distractions, just relaxation. Full hookups, laundry & cable. Hwy. 70 W.

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Tall Pines RV Park • 505/257-5233 • 80 sites nestled in the pines. 3 levels, full hookups, C/TV. Centrally located to midtown. 1800 Sudderth.

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Belmont • 505/623-4522 • 22 rooms, color TV, kitchenettes, pets. 2100 W. Second.

Budget Inn West • 505/623-3811 • 29 rooms, pool/jacuzzi, kitchenettes, color TV, kitchenettes. 2200 W. Second.

Days Inn • 505/623-4021 • 62 rooms, pool/jacuzzi, restaurant, color TV, lounge, pets.

Best Western El Rancho Palacio • 505/622-2721 • 45 rooms, color TV, pets. 2205 N. Main.

Frontier • 505/622-1400 • 38 rooms, pool/jacuzzi, restaurant, color TV, pets. 3010 N. Main.

Hacienda Motel • 505/623-9425 • 34 rooms, pool/jacuzzi, color TV, kitchenettes, lounge, pets. 2331 N. Main.

Leisure Inn • 505/622-2575 • 100 rooms, pool/jacuzzi, restaurant, color TV, kitchenettes, pets. 2700 W. Second.

Mayo Lodge • 505/622-0210 • 26 rooms, pool/jacuzzi, color TV, kitchenettes. 1716 W. Second.

National 9 • 505/622-0110 • 66 rooms, pool/jacuzzi, color TV, kitchenettes. 2001 N. Main.

Navajo Motel • 505/622-9220 • 29 rooms, pool/jacuzzi, color TV, kitchenettes, pets. 1013 W. Second.

Ramada Inn • 505/623-9440 • 61 rooms, pool/jacuzzi, restaurant, color TV, pets. 2803 W. Second.

Roswell Inn • 505/623-4920 • 121 rooms, pool/jacuzzi, restaurant, color TV, kitchenettes, lounge. 1815 N. Main.

Sally Port Inn • 505/622-6430 • 124 rooms, pool/jacuzzi, restaurant, color TV, lounge, pets. 3575 N. Main.

Super 8 • 505/622-8886 • 63 rooms, pool/jacuzzi, color TV, kitchenettes.

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Zuni Motel • 505/622-1930 • 35 rooms, pool/jacuzzi, restaurant, color TV, kitchenettes, lounge, pets. 1201 N. Main.

Alamogordo

Ace Motel • 505/437-5671 • 2615 N. White Sands Blvd.

Alamo Inn • 505/437-1000 • 1450 N. White Sands Blvd.

All American Inn • 505/437-1850 • 800/224-1850 • 508 S. White Sands Blvd.

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Super 8 Motel • 505/434-4205 • 800/478-7378 • 3204 N. White Sands Blvd.

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Western Motel • 505/437-2922 • 1101 S. White Sands Blvd.

White Sands Inn • 505/434-4200 • 800/255-5061 • 1020 S. White Sands Blvd.

Evergreen Mobile Home & RV Park • 505/437-3721 • 2200 N. Florida Ave.

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KOA Kamp Grounds • 505/437-3003 • 412 24th St.

Mountain Meadows RV Park • 505/585-4979 • 240 Mountain Meadows Rd., Tularosa.

Oasis Mobile Home Park • 505/437-1908 • 2800 Lawrence Blvd.

Oliver Lee State Park • 505/437-8284 • 44 campsites, 17 w/elec. & water. 12 miles south on Hwy. 54.

Rocket Mobile Village & RV Park • 505/437-8388 • 607 S. White Sands Blvd.

Three Rivers Petroglyphs Campground • 505/354-2231 • 12 sites, campground 30 miles north on Hwy. 54.

Traveling Elks • 505/437-1897 • W. Hwy. 70.

Vista Verde RV & Mobile Home Park • 505/434-6078 • 3050 Hwy. 54 South.

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'Saddle up' at the Museum of the Horse

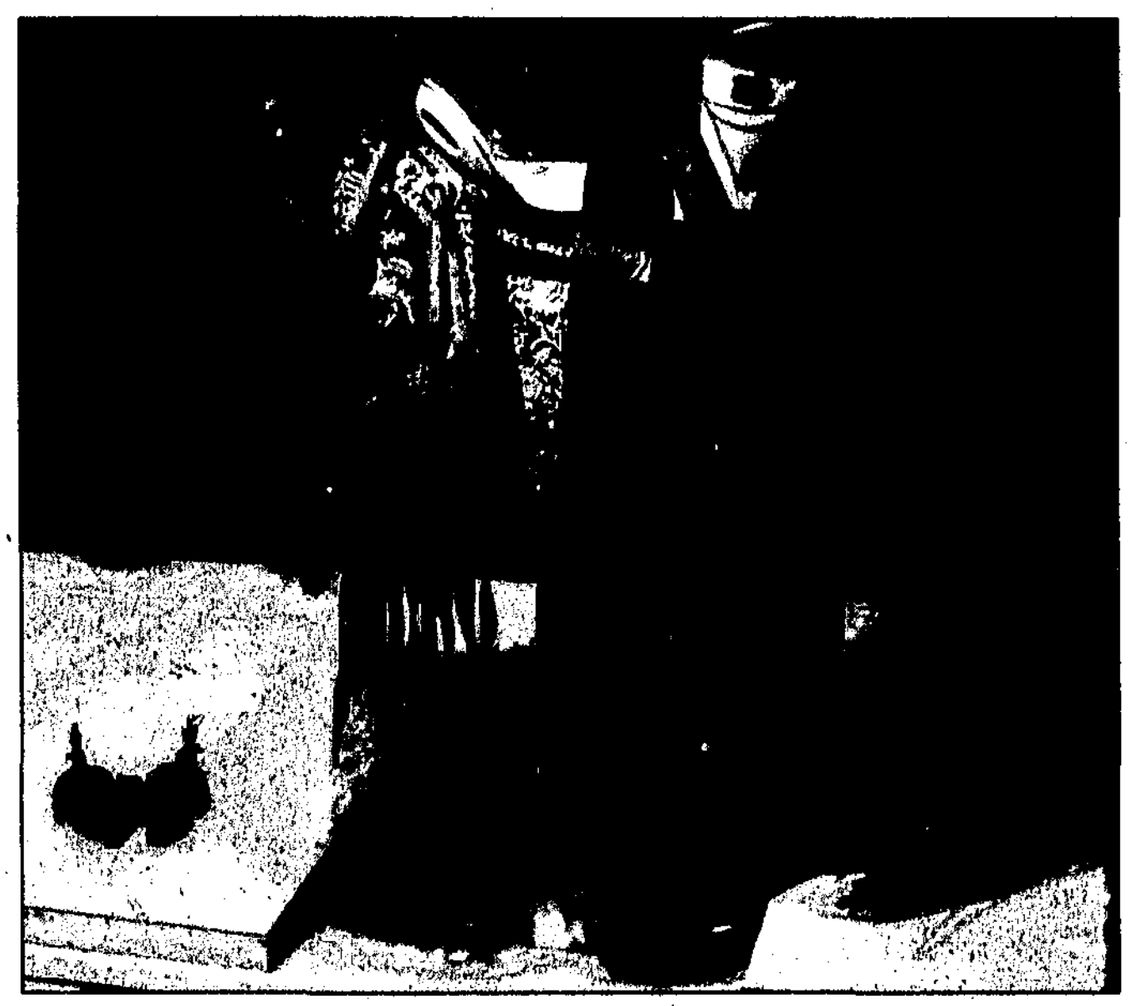
by RICHARD ROTERT

The rousing call to "Saddle Up" has been revived at the Museum of the Horse in Ruidoso Downs with a new exhibition dedicated to the history and development of the saddle.

On display May 24 through Oct. 14, the informative display examines the origins of the saddle with incisive commentary of the saddle, coupled with rarely viewed artifacts from the museum's extensive collection, private gifts, and the archives of the Smithsonian Institution.

Exemplary artwork defines the saddle as a work of art in itself. And an interactive saddlemaking demonstration – complete with break-apart saddle by noted saddlemaker Harlan Webb – will bring the historical record up to date.

The saddle, along with its counterparts the stirrup, bridle and horseshoe, vastly altered man's association with his valued equine companion while permanently altering the course of human history. The museum's international collection, in excess of 80 saddles, contrasts various styles of multicultural horsemanship. Distinct forms of the saddlemaker's art range from the ornately-tooled leather of craftsman G.S. Garcia of Elk, Nev., to the modest elegance of ivory inlay in a Russian Cossack turn-of-the-century saddle. Admirers of pop culture may view a video presentation of western actors Wilford Brimley and Lincoln's own Richard Farnsworth, which accompanies their personal saddles on display.



This grand exhibit answers a wide variety of questions. What implications did the saddle have for ancient medicine? How did the saddle influence modern warfare?

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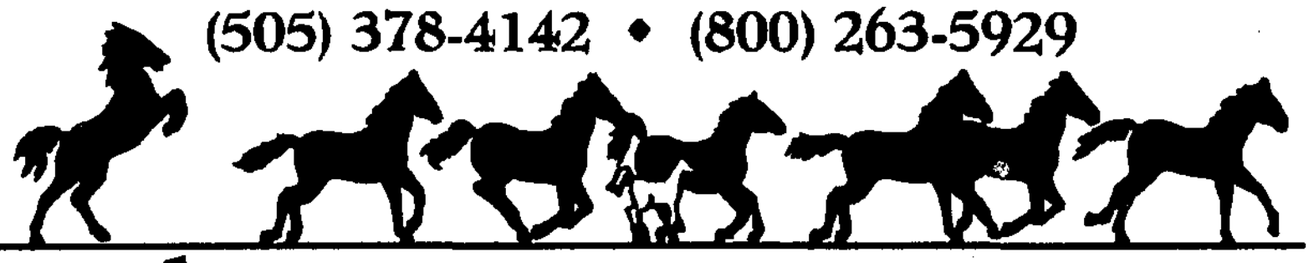

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Alamogordo offers natural wonders

White Sands National Monument and Oliver Lee Memorial State Park are the desert and the oasis all within 10 miles

A quiet oasis is how Oliver Lee Memorial State Park has been described. The park is located at the mouth of Dog Canyon in the Sacramento Mountains, 10 miles from Alamogordo.

The park is open year round and is equipped to accommodate overnight and day-use visitors.

Archaeological research shows that the trail through Dog Canyon was a travel route more than 4,000 years ago, for people moving from the lowland desert into the Sacramento and Guadalupe Mountains. Nearly 170,000 stone artifacts have been discovered.

It is believed the Apache Indians came to the area 500 years ago, and they used Dog Canyon as a fortress.

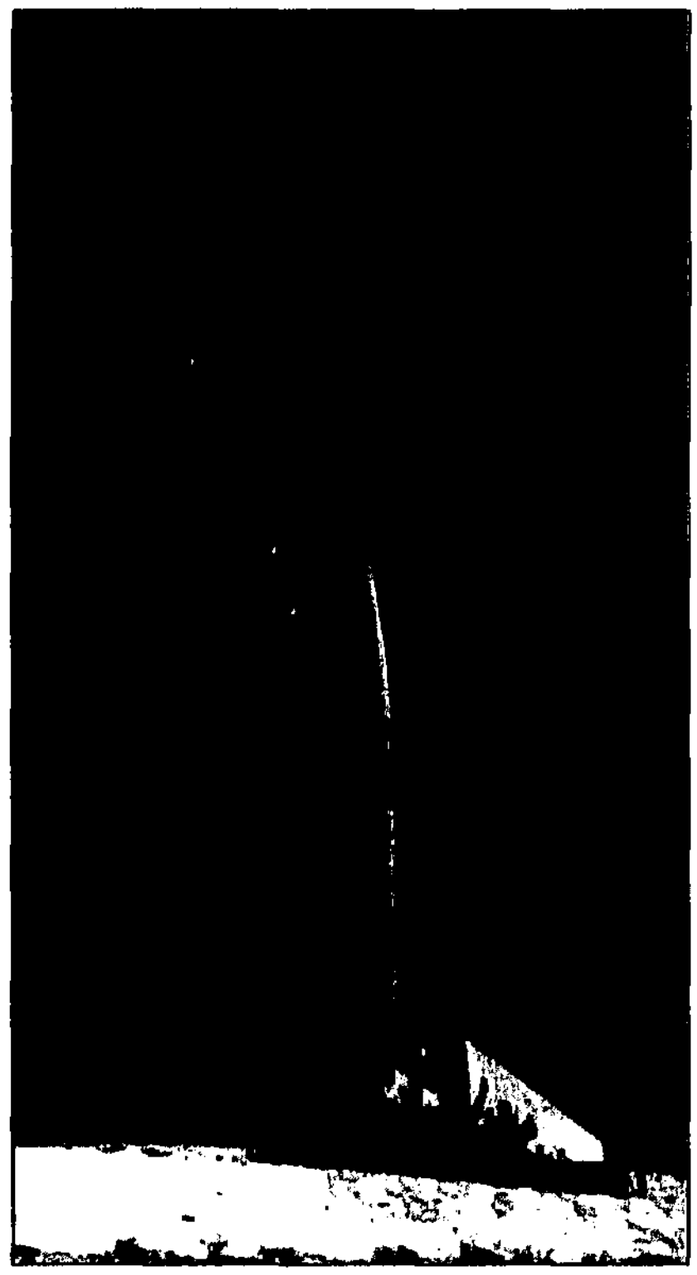
About 600,000 people a year enjoy the scenic splendor of White Sands National Monument.

Considered a great natural wonder, giant dunes of gypsum sand cover 275 square miles of desert, and have created the world's largest gypsum dune field. A number of plants and animals that have successfully adapted to such a harsh environment may also be seen.

An eight-mile scenic drive leads into the heart of the dunes. Big Dune Trail, a one-mile, self-guided nature trail, allows visitors to explore the dunes on foot.

The Interdune Boardwalk is a wheelchair accessible 1/4 mile nature trail. The Alkali Flat Trail is a 4 1/2 mile roundtrip backcountry trail through the heart of the dunes. Sunset strolls are daily at 7 p.m. in May, June and July. They are leisurely one-hour ranger-guided walks.

White Sands National Monument is 15 miles west of Alamogordo on U.S. Highway 70/82.



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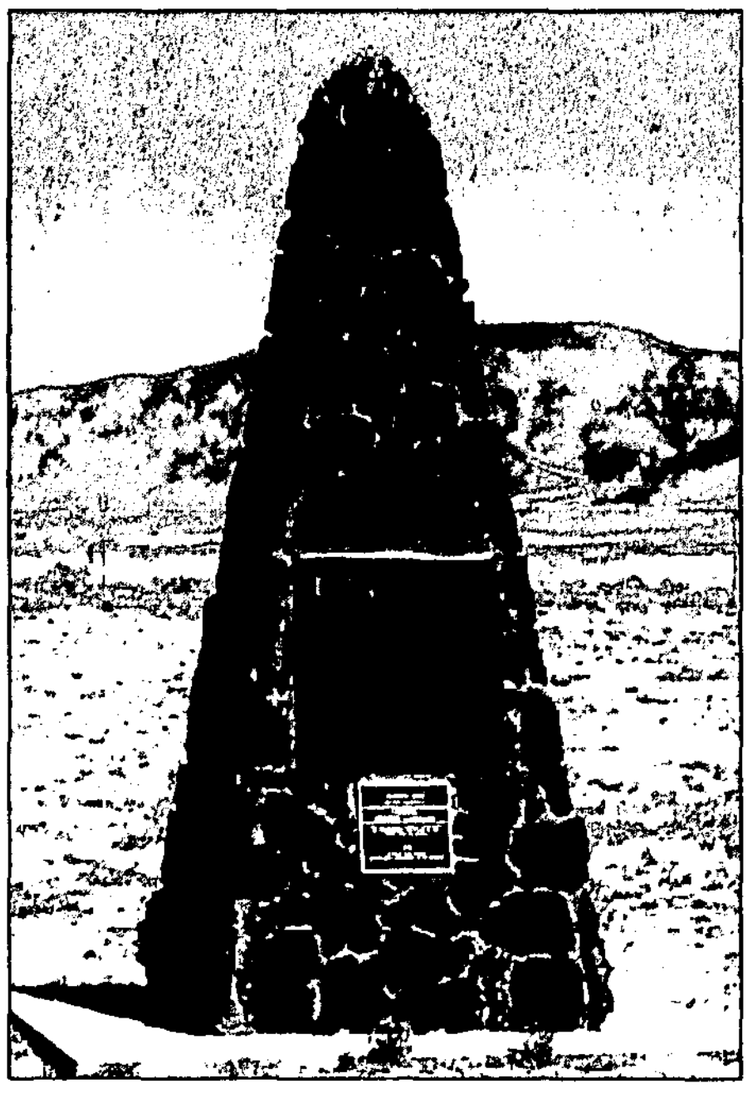

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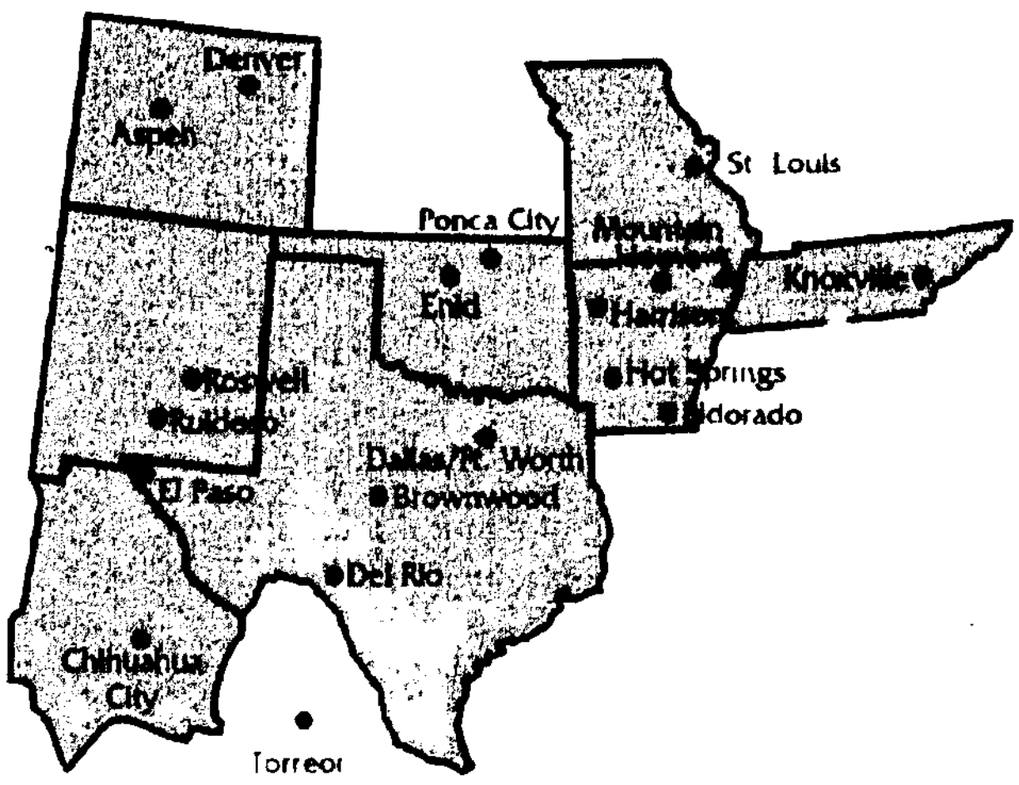

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Ski fashions get softer edge

Day-glow colors and grunge snowboard styles are pretty much out, while a straight-line, more conservative look is in, say some local ski moguls.

"Neon is out finally," cheers Steed's Ski Sports shop owner Mike Steed. "Thank God!"

And notes Wild West Ski Shop owner Ron Anderson, "They're getting away from the snowboard grunge look in styles."

The industry is saying "Sell the thrill, not the grunge," Anderson relates.

That look helped cast a somewhat surly image on the sport, which some in the industry are trying to shed, he says.

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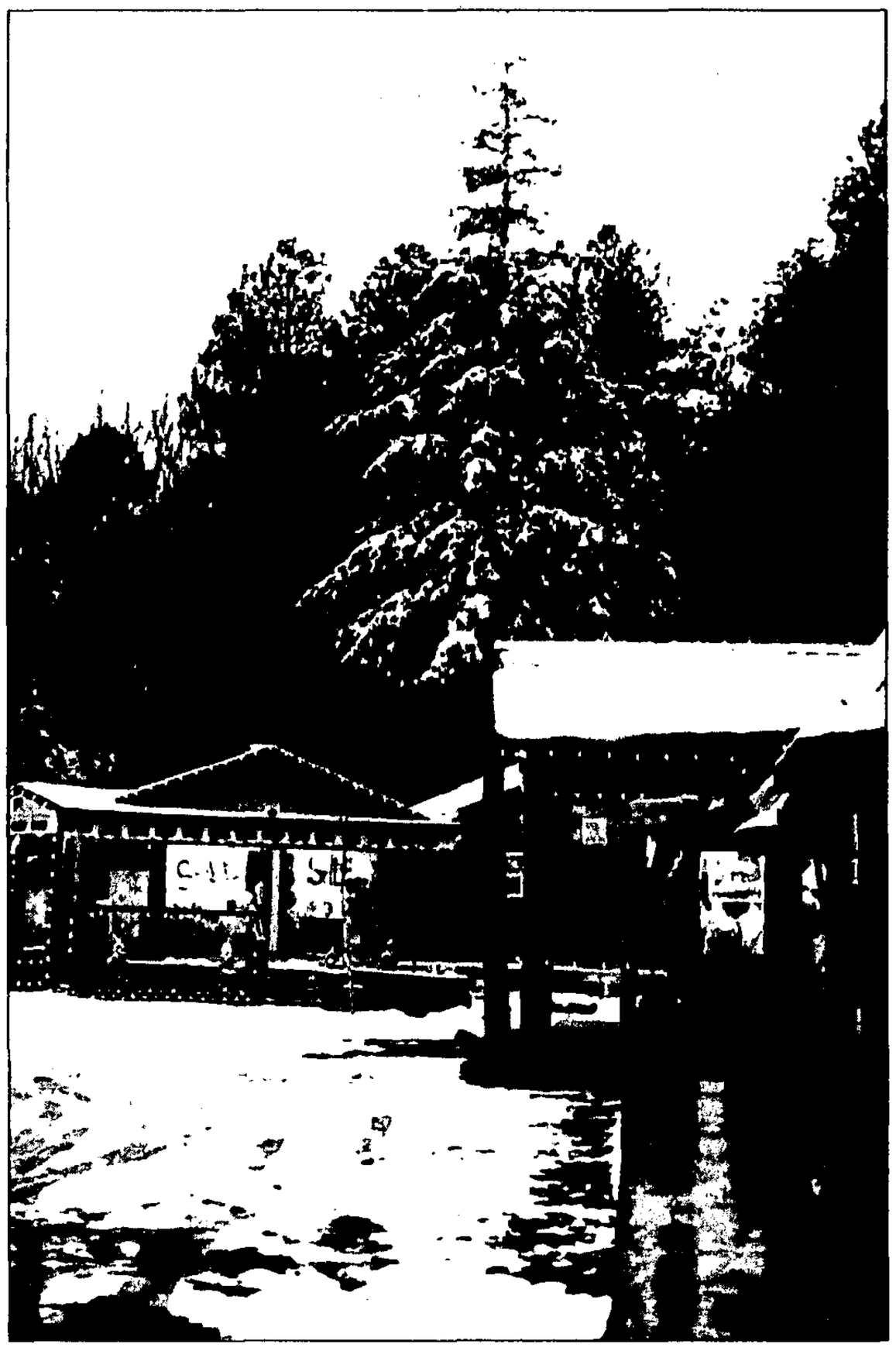

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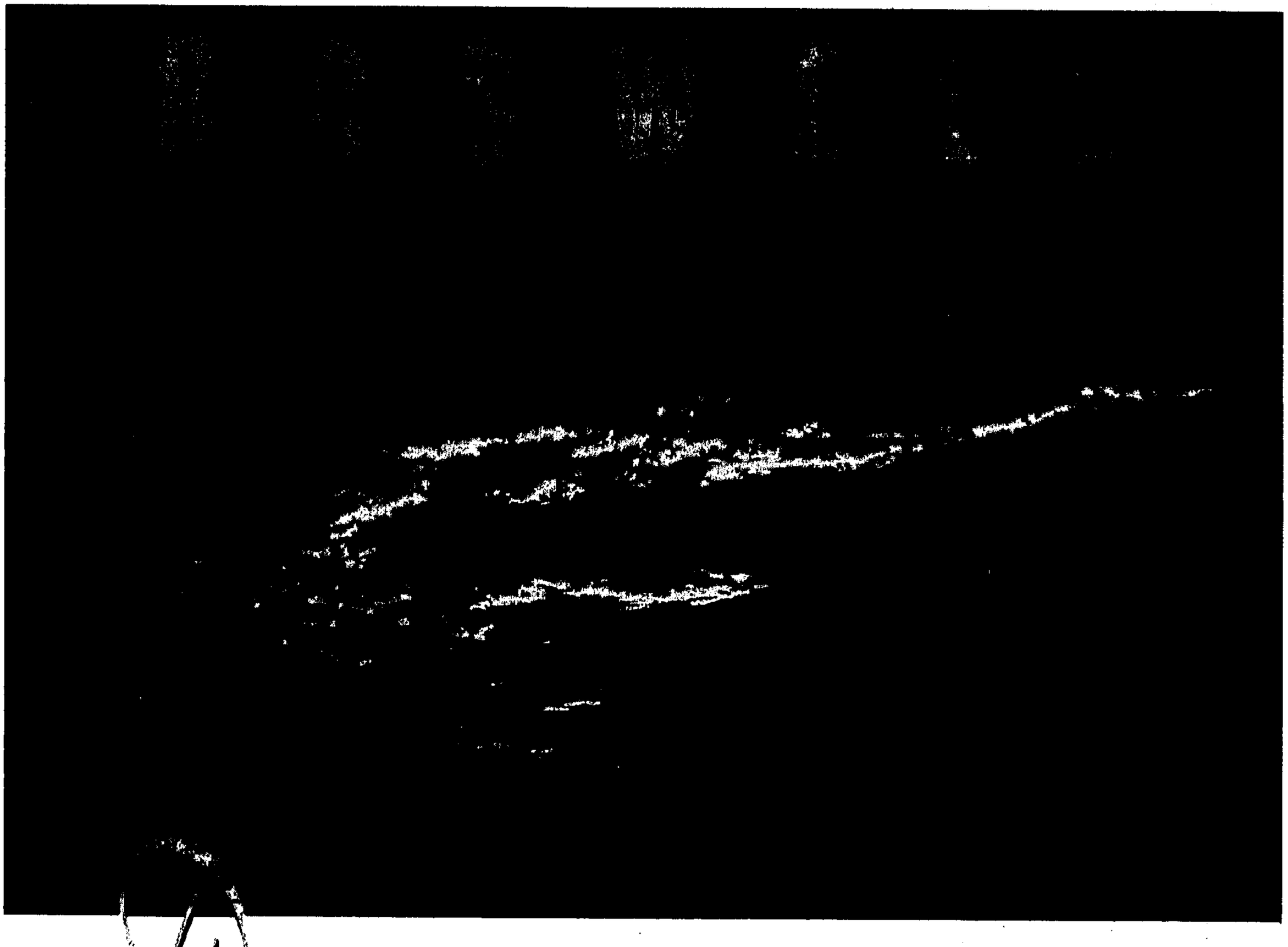

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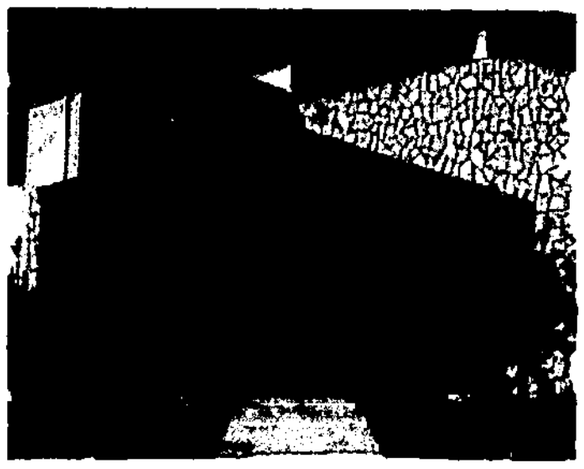

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But the new style is kind of 1950s-ish with straight line parkas covering the buttocks.

Other hot jackets are the fleece pull-overs that now look like Berber carpet, says Rocky Mountain Sports owner Cindy Clayton.

"It's wild the things they're doing with fleece this year," she says.

Leather is also strong, and raw silk is making an appearance as lining in some powder shells, she says.

Earth tones are in with leopard and zebra prints for all ski suits in general, says Clayton's assistant clerk Kip McClellan.

There's also a lot of purples, yellows, oranges and grays marking the clothing, but the colors are soothed by the darker colors around them, he says.

And what's really in, McClellan adds, "is anything that doesn't show dirt or blood."

"If it's warm and comfy, it works."

Every color under the sun is stylish in ski wear this year, says Mountain Ski Shop owner Ronnie Taylor. "It isn't just neon anymore. There's multiple colors, so we can be our own person. If you're a brown, you can be a brown."

Best of all, the ski clothing is more practical than ever before.

"The clothes don't just have to be for skiing, but can be worn casually too," Taylor says of the suits, parkas, pants and snowboarding clothing and boots he sells at his shop–the largest retailer of ski clothing in Ruidoso.

This winter's line of high-tech gear is designed to keep you warm without feeling like a bear on skis.

New air walk snowboarding boots that you can slip right into are hitting the the market. And materials for clothing is lighter than ever.

"The Inside Edge has come out with some really nice ski gear in their High Tech line," says Steed. "It's very technical ski clothing that stands up to very heavy duty (winter) conditions," he says. "You keep yourself warm when necessary and cool when necessary without caring a lot of extra stuff."

The light-weight, high tech fabric is similar to cycling gear, with a "ventilation system" that allows body moisture to dry without becoming cold, explains Clayton.

But, as always, just about anything goes in Ruidoso when it comes to fashion.

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Happenings galore in a mountain springtime

Lincoln County offers a wealth of activities the year round. So does its neighbors: Alamogordo, Cloudcroft and Roswell.

An overview of some of the activities visitors will find in the months counting down to summer follows – when the Lincoln County pace shifts into overdrive.

Ruidoso

The Museum of the Horse in Ruidoso Downs is open daily, with frequent special entertainment events; call 378-4809 for updates.

Racing at Ruidoso Downs will begin on May 23 and continue through Labor Day. The Downs has requested a 49-day meet for 1997–generally Friday-Sunday weekly.

Ruidoso Art Festival, Convention Center, July 25-26.

Alamogordo

April 10-11–"Forever Plaid," Flickinger Center; 437-2202.

April 18-20–All-Arabian Horse Show, Otero Fairground; 437-9367.

April 19-20–Rattlesnake Round-Up, Otero Fairground; 437-0231.

May 3–Free Planetarium Show, Tombaugh Omnimax, 9 a.m.; 437-2840.

May 16-17–PRCA Rodeo, Otero Fairground; 437-0231.

May 22–Full Moon Program, White Sands National Monument; 479-6124.

May 22-28, Vietnam Wall, Washington Park; 475-5576.

June 7–Free Planetarium Show, Tombaugh Omnimax, 9 a.m.; 437-2840.

June 11-15–AHS-sponsored Junior Rodeo, Otero Fairground; 437-0231.

June 14-15–High Rolls Cherry Festival, High Rolls; 682-3445.

June 15–Juneteenth Parade; 437-6120.

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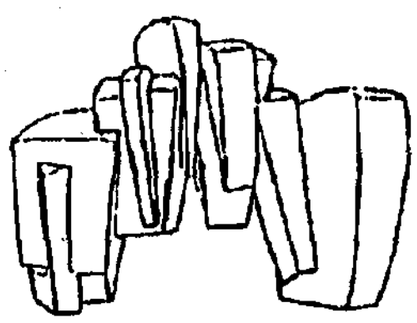

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Golfing part of the fun in every season

Winter or summer, the courses are open

Aprés ski options in Ruidoso are seldom limited to coffee houses and fireplace lethargy. The versatile sports enthusiast can usually shed ski boots and don spikes for an afternoon on the golf course.

It's not unusual for Ruidoso greens to be clear and sunny in the middle of winter. In fact, it's more common than not.

"Under normal circumstances, we golf year round," says Mike Massey, who works at the Cree Meadows pro shop.

When snow reaches the village, it usually melts away that day. In general, Cree doesn't lose more than 25-30 days a year to weather.

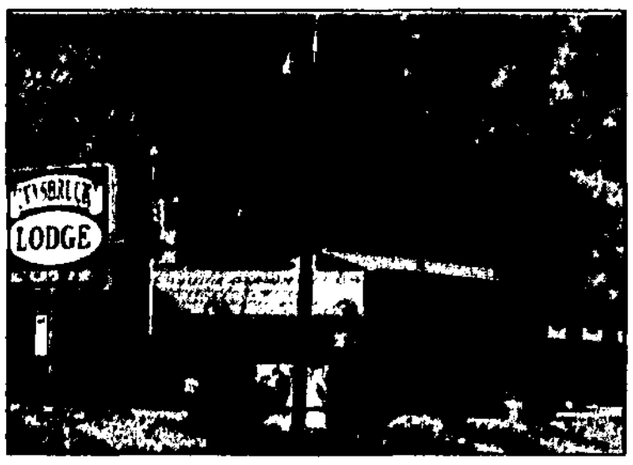
"That's including summer," Massey adds.

Cree Meadows is billed as Ruidoso's oldest, most playable and most affordable course. Every hole affords panoramic views of Sierra Blanca. The course celebrates its 50th anniversary this year.

Golfers can enjoy their sport year round at the prime courses of Ruidoso, Alamogordo and Roswell.

At The Links of Sierra Blanca, snowblowers keep the driving range open all the time. As snow starts melting from the fairway, maintenance crews clean off the greens and golfers can tee off.

Innsbruck Lodge



Innsbruck Lodge is located in midtown Ruidoso, adjacent to the city park, offering an olympic size pool, tennis courts and playground picnic area.

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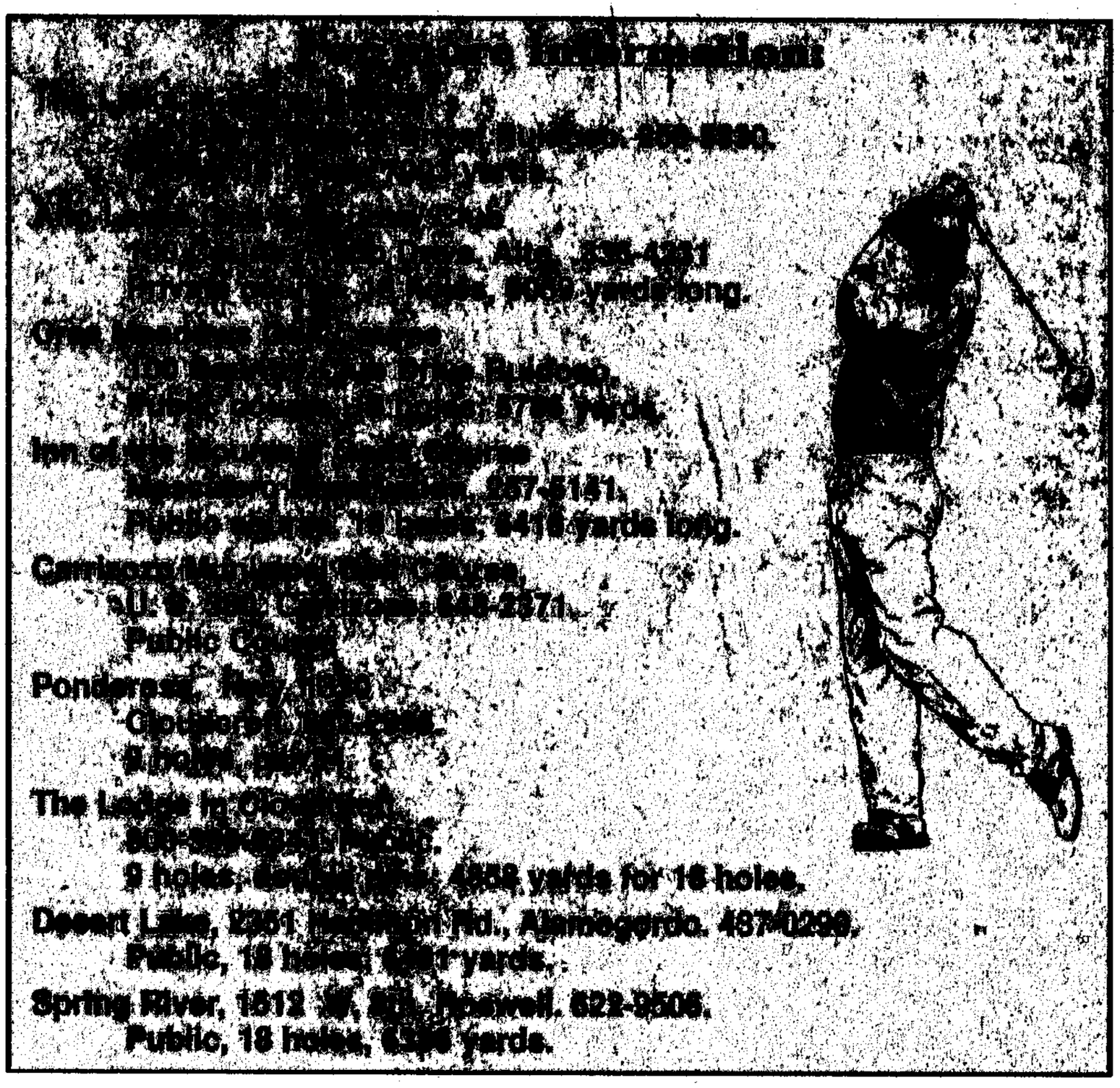
The Links is a Scottish style course designed by senior tour professional Jim Colbert.

The Inn of the Mountain Gods course is nestled between the pine forest and Mescalero Lake at the Mescalero Apache Reservation's resort.

"Each hole is surrounded by two to three sand traps and we have water features on four of the first nine holes and five of the back nine," says golf pro Daniel Nuñez. Carts are required. The course is closed only in January and February.

Other nearby public courses include the Carrizozo Municipal Golf Course, the Desert Lakes Golf Course in Alamogordo, Ponderosa and The Lodge in Cloudcroft, and Spring River Golf Course in Roswell.

Private courses are the N.M. Military Institute course in Roswell and Alto Lakes at Alto.



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July 4–Fireworks (437-2840), parade (437-6120).

July 14-18–Spkace Week, Space Center; 437-2840.

July 26–Lake Lucero Tour, White Sands NM, 5 p.m.; 479-6124.

Aug. 9-10–"Wizard of Oz," Flickinger Center, 7:30-p.m. ; 437-2202.

Aug. 12–Otero County Parade; 437-6120.

Aug. 13-16–Otero County Fair; 437-6120.

Cloudcroft

May 24-25–Mayfair: Juried arts and crafts show, Zenith Park, Highway 82. Horseshoe tournaments, food and drink.

June 13-15–Western Roundup: Barbecue, pie auction, western parade, train display, street dance.

June 27-29–Bluegrass Festival. Artists jam in Zenith Park all day; special 2 p.m. performance on Saturday; gospel, Sunday morning.

July 5-6–July Jamboree, Zenith Park; 682-2733.

Aug. 15-17–"Singing in the Clouds" gospel music; 682-2733.

Aug. 23-24–Civil War reenactment; 682-2733.

Roswell

April 23–NMMI Spring Concert, Pearson Auditorium; 622-6250.

April 24-26–"Dance Concert," ENMU University Theater.

May 1-11–Paintings by Bernadette Vigil, Roswell Museum & Art Center.

May 9-July 6–Beatrice Mandelman exhibit, Roswell Museum & Art Center.

May 16-18–"Take a Number, Darling," Roswell Community Little Theatre, 8:15 p.m.; Sunday Matinee (2 p.m.); 625-1400.

May 22-26–15th Annual Juried Show, Roswell Fine Arts League, and 9th Annual JuriedShow, New Mexico Miniature Arts Society, Roswell Museum; 625-8648.

May 23–Roswell Symphony hosts El Paso Brass Quintet; Roswell Museum; 623-5882.

June 1-30–"Mary Peck, Chaco Canyon," Roswell Museum.

July 1-6–Roswell UFO Encounter '97, Roswell Convention Center; 888-767-9355.

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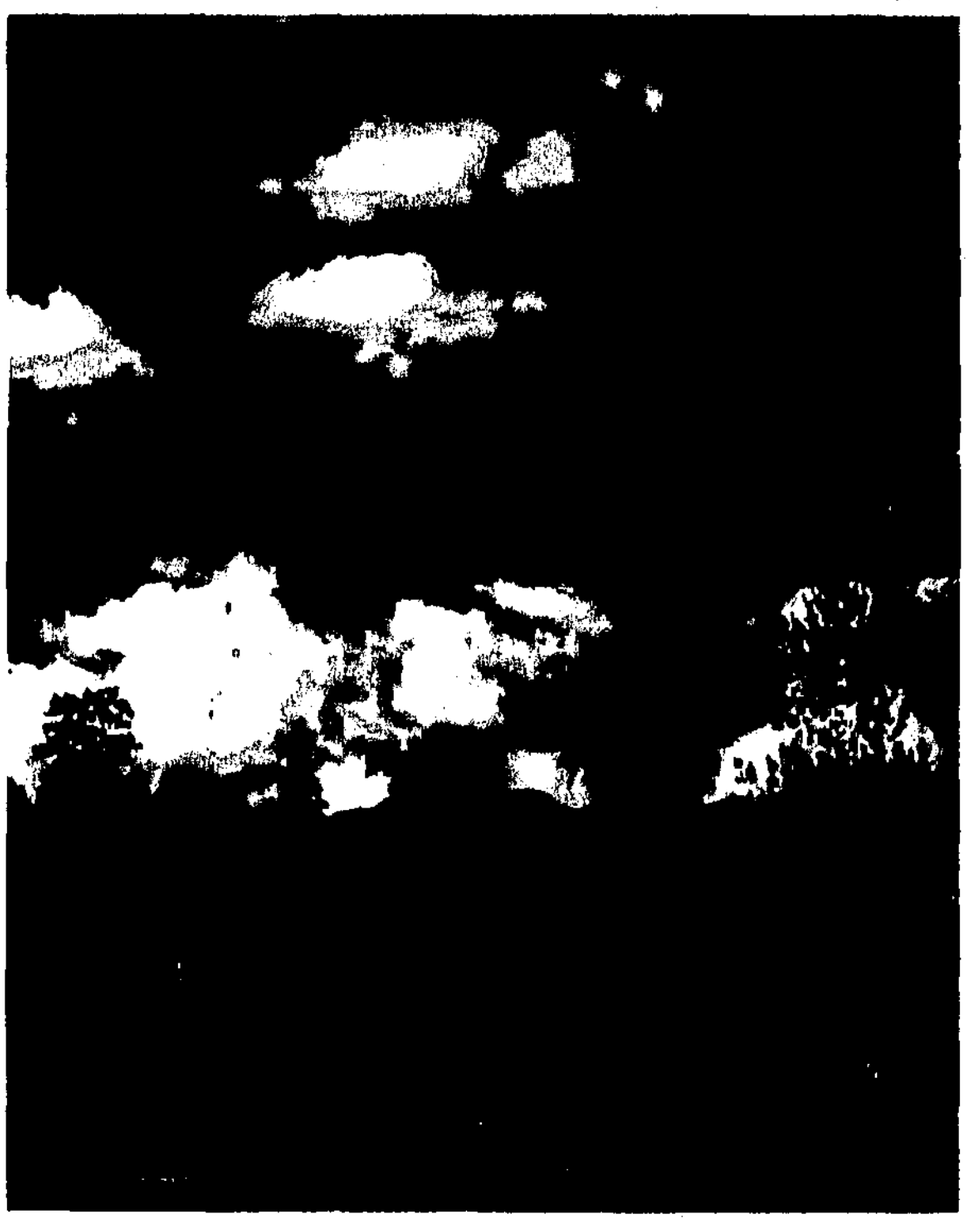

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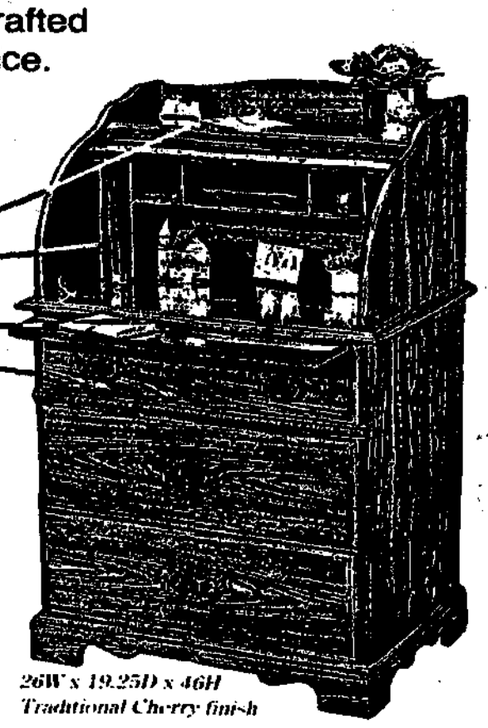

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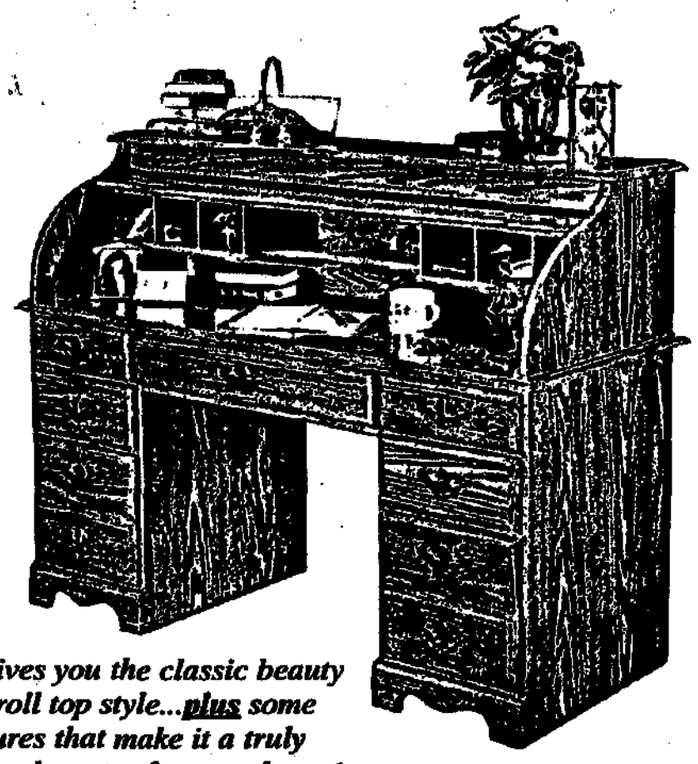

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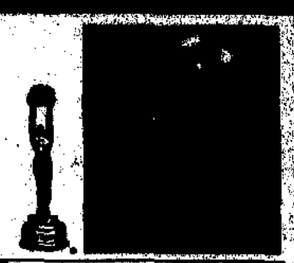

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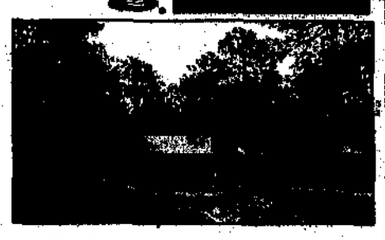

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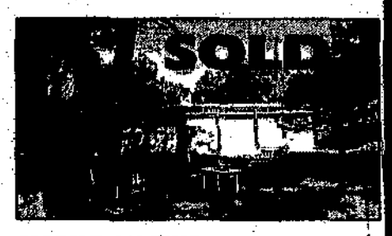

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WHAT YOU SEE IS WHAT YOU GET! Everything stays at this 3 bedroom, 2 bath home with fireplace, covered deck and plenty of storage. Great condition. Quiet location. Priced right! $87,500.

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MUST SEE CONDO! One of the neatest around. New carpet, new paint. 2 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, covered deck. Appliances including washer and dryer stay. Furniture available separately. $62,500

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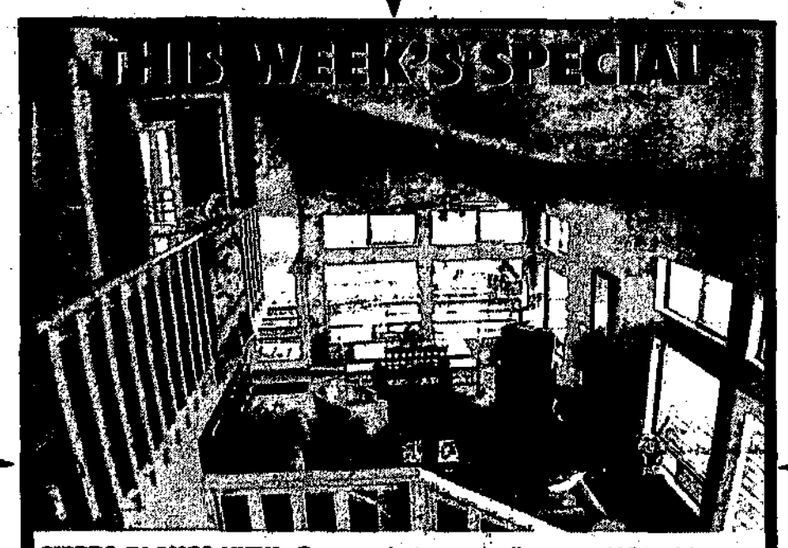

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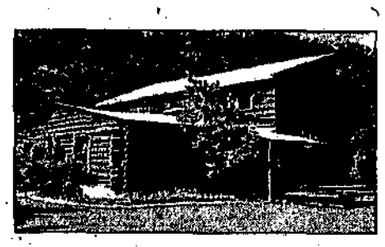

JUST LISTED, HOME ON BONITA RIVER – 4 bedroom, 2 bath, big barn or garage. Huge oak trees. Satellite dish. City water. Super owner financing. $99,500.

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Wonderful view of Sierra Blanca and Cree golf course. Excellent neighborhood. Very buildable. 127 Coronado. Only $13,000

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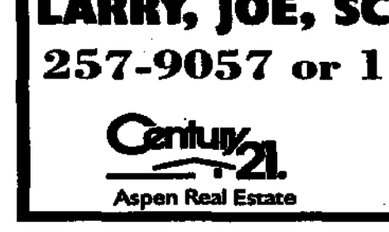

Two Alto golf membership lots priced to sell. $16,500 and $15,900

QUALITY CRAFTSMANSHIP throughout this 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath home on Hull Road. Custom built-ins and woodwork, extra nice finishing inside and out. River rock accents, metal roof, paved drive, fenced backyard, more. A rare find. $197,000.

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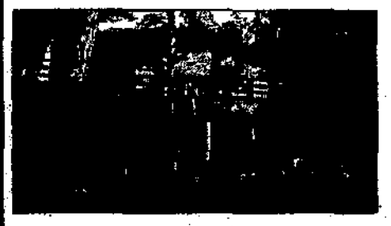

BIG SIERRA BLANCA VIEW – from this fully furnished 3 bedroom, 2 bath home. Neat decks, 2-car garage, storage, new heating and insulation. New paint. Lovely lot adjacent to national forest. $85,500.

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MOUNTAIN GETAWAY! Outstanding location with views. 2 bedroom, 2 bath chalet with nice decks, good parking and seclusion. A great deal! $158, 500.

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ALTO-GOLF COURSE HOME: This wonderfully furnished, 3 bedroom, 3 bath home has a deck "To die for." Big great room, gameroom, 2-car garage, more! Close to clubhouse. Full golf membership. $296,000

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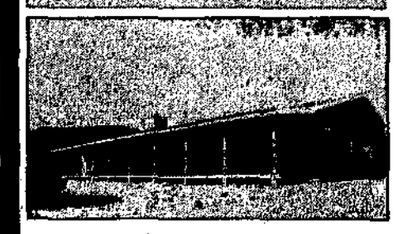

TERRITORIAL STYLE HOME – Located on 3.2 acres near Lincoln, NM. Beautiful, new custom home has spacious floor plan with 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, 2 living areas plus study, 2 fireplaces, saltillo tile. $215,000.

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COUNTRY SETTING IN TOWN FOUR BEDROOMS! Large home with level access, 3-car garage, new interior paint and carpet, Jacuzzi, more. Great views of Sierra Blanca. Very nice, must see! $239,000.

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EXCELLENT LOCATION AND VALUE! 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath home. Nice neighborhood near Grindstone Lake. Big, fenced yard. Good access. Workshop and storage. Recently remodeled plus new roof and siding. $87,500.

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EVERYTHING STAYS! Beautiful new furniture, kachina collection, signed SW art, TV, linens, etc., etc. Unbelievably nice, big mobile on flat fenced lot. Super location, covered deck, storage. You must see! $69,500.

97-70879 **CALL MARTIN ROSE**

GREAT MOUNTAIN FEELING – Secluded but close to town. 3 bedroom, 3 bath home with 2 living areas and separate dining room. Fireplace, lots of storage, large decks. $119,500.

97-70961 **CALL SCOTT MILLER**

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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HUGE HOME ON THE RIVER – Spanish style, red tile roof. TWELVE ROOMS! 2 kitchens, guest quarters, spa, tremendous "great room." Fabulous custom features throughout. $450,000.

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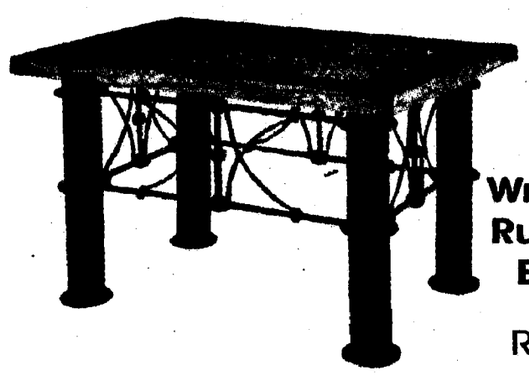

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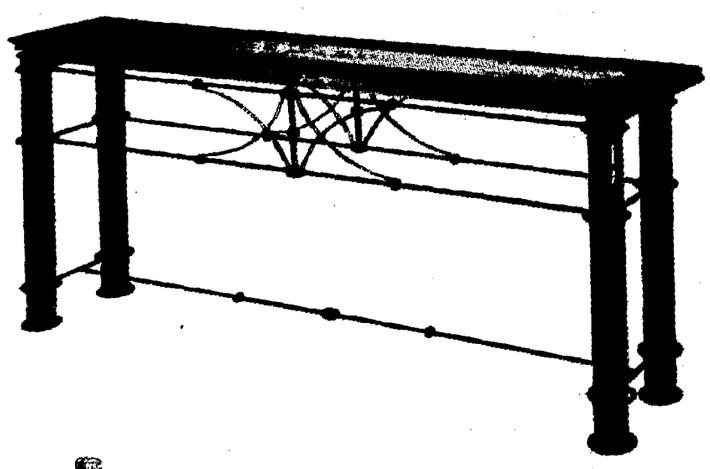

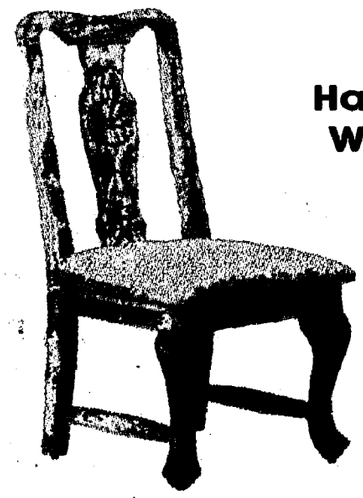

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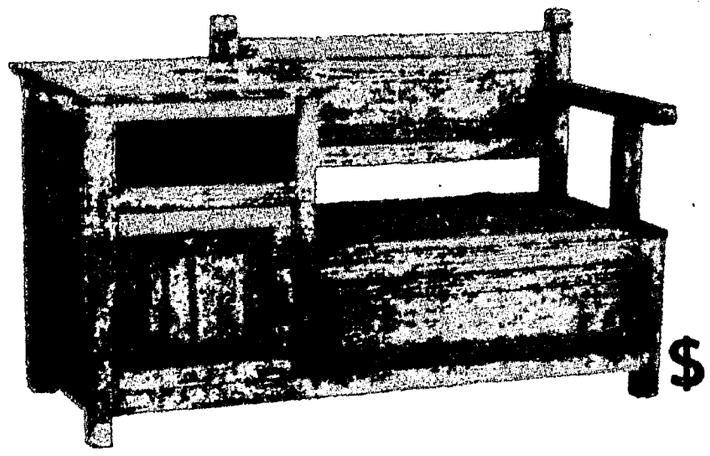

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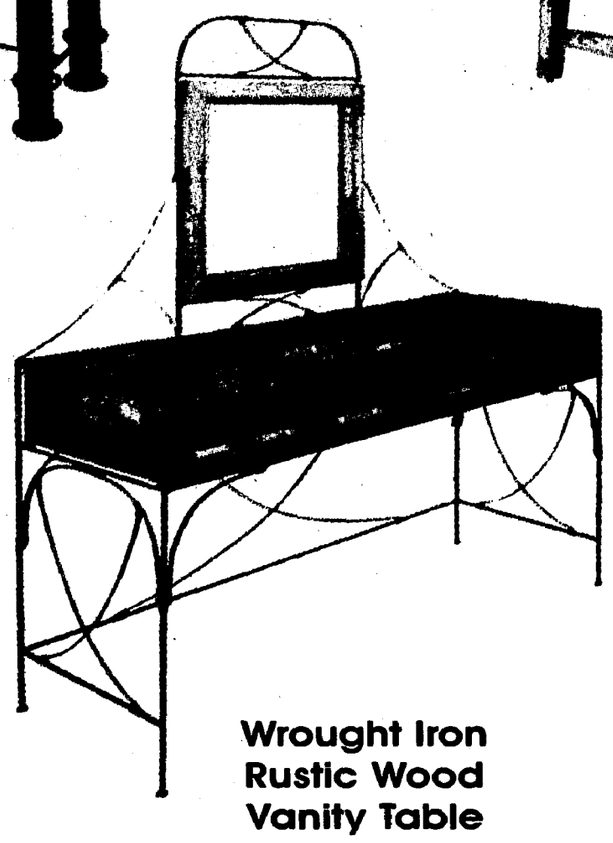

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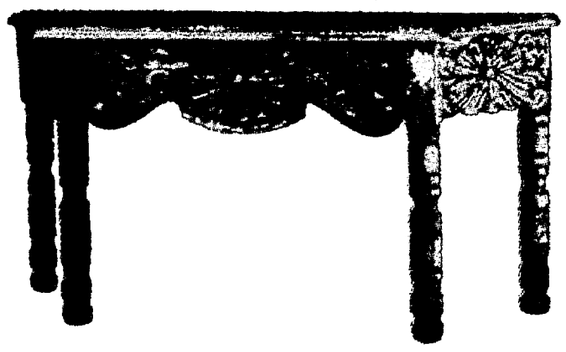

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