



With its scenic backdrop, New Mexico is a natural for Hollywood

BY JULIE BAXTER
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

It's a full-scale media blitz. And this barrage of publicity isn't aimed at bringing the latest Hollywood blockbuster to New Mexico. It's aimed at bringing New Mexico to Hollywood.

The New Mexico Film Commission, which is part of the state Economic Development Department,

has long been touting the advantages of "shooting" in the state. And it seems to be working, said Linda Hutchison, director of the commission.

"The film industry has a very broad impact on the economy," she said of the benefits of hosting film, commercial and video crews. "As an example, during the past 10 years 1,150 feature films, television shows and commercials, and videos were

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Linda Hutchison
director, state Film Commission

shot in the state — bringing in 294 million in basic dollars, creating an economic impact of \$882 million."

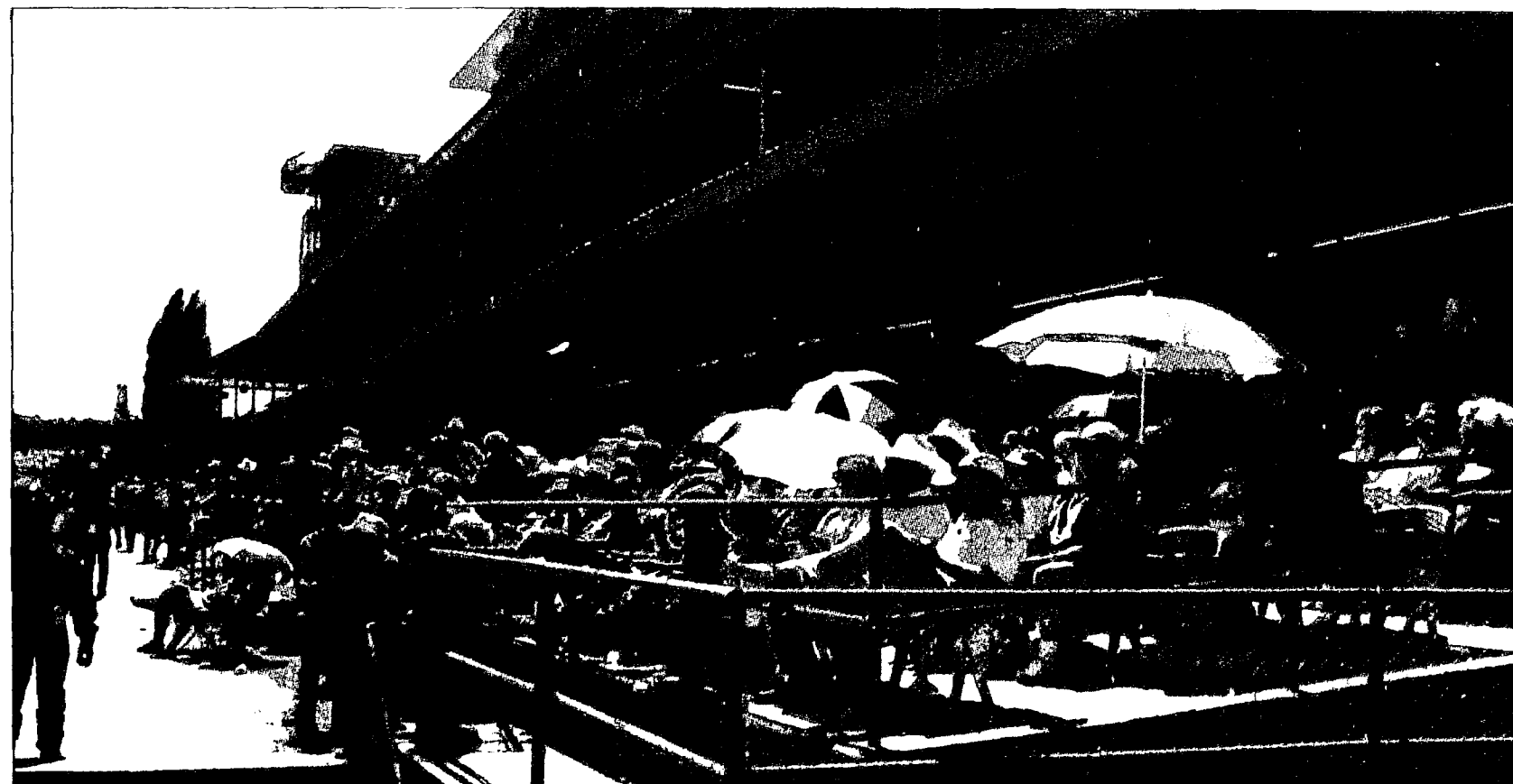
Lincoln County will soon be getting a taste of that impact when crews arrive in Carrizozo this October for the shooting of "The Outfitters" — a romantic, adventure comedy by screenwriter Reverge Anselmo. To rally the community around the production, Hutchison will speak at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at the Ruidoso Convention Center.

The benefits, Hutchison said, go

beyond the community where filming takes place.

"A lot of people don't realize how far-reaching the economic impact can be," she said. "We did an impact study, informally, with the permission of 'White Sands' (the movie). We found, though the movie was filmed in four

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Thousands watched at the Ruidoso Downs Race Track on Monday afternoon as women dominated the All American Futurity. Trainer Donna McArthur's 2-year-old filly, Corona Cash, won the race by a half length over Flys R Droppin. Tami Purcell, the first woman jockey to guide a Futurity winner, rode Corona Cash in her second ride in an All American Futurity. Several other events were held this weekend in conjunction with the \$1.6 million race, including a well-attended yearling sale Friday night and an All American Arts and Crafts show on Saturday. **More photos on page 6A.**

Track looks to add racing days in '98

Gambling bill requires 4 race days a week

BY LAURA CLYMER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

With the ink on the books of the 1997 race meet not quite dry, track officials have started planning for an expanded 1998 Ruidoso Downs race meet.

The 1997 All American champion has been crowned and the migration of horse trailers to the next race meet has begun. But what is usually "down time" for Ruidoso Downs Race Track will not likely be "down."

The day after the 39th running of the All American Futurity, Rick Baugh, general manager of the Ruidoso Downs Race Track, met with Hubbard Enterprises President Mark Wilson to discuss the track's off-season strategy and staffing decisions.

"Right now the first thing we're doing is getting the Sports Theater

ready for simulcasting on Friday, and then clean this place up," Baugh said Tuesday. "It looks like a war zone out here."

After that, it's on to the casino and what could be a 64-day race meet in 1998.

By the end of March 1998, Ruidoso Downs Race Track owner R. D. Hubbard wants the track's new casino up and running.

Track officials still must finalize plans and make sure the "scheme of things will mesh," Baugh said.

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St. Joseph's church steeped in history

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Surrounded by the massive beams and quarried stone of St. Joseph's church in Mescalero, Brother Peter Boegel of the Franciscan Mission explains the history of the massive structure.

Dressed in the traditional monk's robe, Boegel seems to fit perfectly into his role as one of the spiritual leaders of the mostly Mescalero Apache congregation that attends the church.

Completed in 1939, St. Joseph's Mission remains a tribute to the dedication of Father Albert Braun, whose vision stayed strong over the 20 years it took to complete the church.

Saturday, Boegel gave tours to members of the Lincoln County Historical Society through the 131-foot-long by 64-foot-wide building.

The Franciscan has been stationed on the reservation six years, with a two year interruption serving in California.

"The Mescalero are a very welcoming people," he said. "I was embraced from the first day."

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Brother Peter Boegel of the Franciscan order looks at home in the formidable St. Joseph's Mission church during a lecture on the history of the landmark structure on the Mescalero Reservation.

▷ CRIME

2 teens held in burglaries of 3 stores

• Police say they have three other juvenile suspects in the burglaries of the downtown stores.

BY TONI K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Ruidoso police on Tuesday morning arrested two of five juveniles suspected of recently burglarizing at least three downtown stores.

The arrests followed a tip from a Crimestoppers caller, said Detective Wolf Born.

All five of the suspects, one of whom is a girl, are under 18, Born said. Because the suspects are juveniles, the Police Department is withholding their names. All of the suspects live outside Ruidoso, and two had not been arrested as of Tuesday afternoon, police said.

At least one 16-year-old suspect told investigators he burglarized Radio Shack and the Village Buttery sometime early Monday morning, as well as a coffee house earlier, Born said.

The burglars broke in through a small window at Radio Shack, on Whitlock Road off Sudderth Drive, and took an estimated \$7,000 worth of merchandise, including amplifiers, speakers, compact disk players, cellular telephones, car stereos, beepers and at least \$100 worth of music compact disks, Born said. The burglars

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Developers say fairness will be key to zoning changes

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

In a county without construction codes or zoning, the impact of 50 buildings going up at one time and the existence of about 212 subdivisions, many before regulations of any type, could cause county officials to sprout a few gray hairs.

But other than worries over the underground water supply available

in the county by some commissioners and over restricting growth by others, county commissioners say they're comfortable with the county's new subdivision regulations, mandated by changes in state law. The rules provide the tools to protect the county, including disclosure statements for buyers, an application process for any subdividing, road construction standards and proof of availability of water.

County Manager Frank Potter

agrees.

"I feel comfortable with the direction now," he said. "The new state regulations and the county subdivision rules are easy to work with."

"They're basically the same as the city's (Ruidoso) except we're very service oriented. It doesn't take 60 days to go through planning or to the commission. Some subdividing is approved in a 24-hour summary review process."

"I would give anything if (the regu-

lations) had been passed 10 years ago."

The growth in the county has been on the upswing for the past few years, Potter said, and state statistics back up his statement.

A spokesman for the state construction industries department said in 1992 that 25 building permits were issued in the county, excluding municipalities. In 1996, the number jumped

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RUIDOSO'S THREE-DAY WEATHER OUTLOOK

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Low ... 46


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THURSDAY High ... 75
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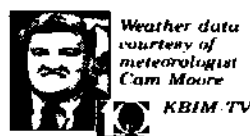
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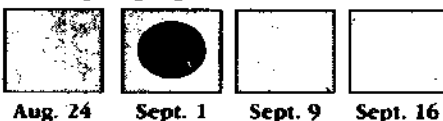
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Friday	85	48	.00"
Saturday	83	48	.00"
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Monday	82	44	.00"

Regional-Wednesday	High	Low	Forecast
Albuquerque	92	62	Thunderstorms
El Paso, TX	100	70	Sunny
Lubbock, TX	88	67	Thunderstorms
Midland, TX	93	68	Thunderstorms



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Ruidoso High's first team played at Hollywood Race Track. But is this the first team?

L.C. SCRAPBOOK

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

Ruidoso News
Sept. 5, 1947

This past week the officers and stockholders of the Hollywood Racing Association offered the in-field, grandstand, and locker rooms at the racetrack to the high school to be used by the newly organized Ruidoso High School football

team until such time as the school board can build a field.

The superintendent of the Ruidoso-Stetson School District has announced that the first home game will be played on this field Sept. 19, when the local team will meet the Portales team.

Tuesday night of this week, 19 high school boys had checked out practice suits and reported for football practice, according to the local coach, Paul Vance.

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Baugh also has to plan for a longer race meet in 1998.

The gambling bill requires tracks to run four times a week. Baugh said Ruidoso will begin its meet Memorial Day weekend and run through Labor Day weekend, as it has for the last two years.

But with four days of racing a week instead of three, the 1998 Ruidoso race meet will expand to 64 racing days, up from 49 this year, Baugh said.

All of that could be on hold, however, if the state's gaming commission is not in place.

Last week, Hubbard announced plans for a 10,000-square-foot addition to the racetrack. The estimated cost of the combination casino, sports theater, restaurant and lounge is \$3 million to \$4 million. It will hold 300 slot machines.

Revenue from those slot machines will improve race purses, Baugh said, including the All American Futurity's purse.

Monday's All American Futurity belonged to the women. Trainer Donna McArthur's 2-year-old filly Corona Cash with Tami Purcell in the irons won the \$1.6 million race by a half length over Flys R Droppin.

Purcell is the first woman to ride a Futurity winner. It was her second ride in an All American Futurity. She becomes the first woman jockey to win a race with a seven-figure purse in America. McArthur is the second woman trainer to saddle an All American Futurity winner.

Race day went well and without a glitch, Baugh said.

Perhaps the only hiccup during the day came when ESPN2 pre-empted live coverage of the race because of a rain delay in the baseball game it televised before the race.

Monday's betting handle reached \$1.3 million, while the attendance was listed at 8,689.

DEATHS FUNERALS

Opal Billman

Graveside services for Opal Billman of Ruidoso, who died Sunday, Aug. 31, at her home, were Tuesday, Sept. 2, at Forest Lawn Cemetery with the Rev. Wayne Joyce officiating.

Born April 27, 1913, at McKinney, Texas, she had lived in Ruidoso since 1971, moving here from Albuquerque. She was a lifelong housewife, and a member of the First Christian Church.

She married Bill Billman on Aug. 20, 1938, at Belen. He preceded her in death on Feb. 9, 1990.

Mrs. Billman is survived by three grandchildren, Ginnyren Willetts of Dallas, Paul Grant Gibson of Atlanta, and Georgia and husband Kortney Hall of Ruidoso; four great grandchildren, Wesley Hall of Ruidoso, Taylor and Mitch Willetts of Dallas and Quade Hall of Ruidoso; a sister, Inez Richey of Albuquerque; and nephews Frank and Milford Richey of Albuquerque.

The family has requested memorials to a favorite charity. Arrangements were under the direction of LaGrone Funeral Chapel of Ruidoso.

Madeline Irene Gaines

Funeral services for Madeline Irene Gaines were Tuesday, Sept. 2, at the Mescalero Assembly of God Church; a prayer service had been conducted Monday. Burial followed the funeral at the Mescalero Cemetery. The Rev. Donald Petty officiated at all services.

Madeline Gaines, 65, died Friday, Aug. 29, at Gerald Champion Hospital in Alamogordo. She was born Dec. 10, 1931,

at Mescalero and had lived there all her life. She was a member of the Mescalero Assembly of God Church and was retired from the maintenance department of the Mescalero Apache Tribe.

Survivors include a sister, Cecelia Hosetosavitt of Mescalero, and a niece, Burlinda Chino of Mescalero, and a number of nieces and nephews.

Funeral arrangements were under the direction of LaGrone Funeral Chapel of Ruidoso.

Kathy Travis

Funeral services for Winnifred Katharine Stryker Travis of Ruidoso will be held at the First Christian Church at 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 6. Mrs. Travis died Monday, Sept. 1, in Scottsdale, Ariz., after a lengthy illness.

Born in Lubbock, Texas, on May 15, 1930, she taught school in Texas 12 years and was a teacher at Ruidoso High School for 25 years before retiring in 1988.

In addition to teaching genealogy at Eastern New Mexico University-Ruidoso, her community service included active membership in the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Colonial Dames, the Hospital Auxiliary and the Friends of the Library, which she served as president.

Mrs. Travis is survived by her husband, David Hail Travis of Ruidoso, and daughters Susan Lee of Ruidoso and Gayle Ann of McKinney, Texas.

Contributions to the Friends of the Ruidoso Public Library are requested and will be designated for a genealogical collection in memory of Mrs. Travis.

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TEENS: Police have 5 suspects

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took several hours removing items from the store, he added.

Police have recovered stolen Radio Shack equipment from three different locations, including one suspect's home and an abandoned building used by the suspects to hide merchandise.

"We have gathered here all of the Radio Shack property that I know of — that I've been told was taken. We will know for sure in the next day or two," Born said.

"They were going to take it out of town and try to sell it," he added.

Also recovered by police are two skateboards stolen in late July from the Roastery, a coffee shop at 113 Rio St. Burglars also took at least \$150 and coffee products from the store.

Born said he doesn't anticipate the department recovering the \$700 stolen Monday night from the Village Buttery, a restaurant at 2109 Sudderth Drive. That money "is in Alamogordo," Born said.

One of the suspects not yet in custody is a 17-year-old Alamogordo boy. Another is a 16- or 17-year-old Mescalero boy. The female suspect is a 16-year-old Capitán girl, Born said.

The two arrested suspects are a 16-year-old Carrizozo boy and a 16- or 17-year-old Capitán boy, Born said. Both are being held at the Ruidoso jail pending further investigation.

The department is charging all of the suspects, with the possible exception of the girl, with three counts of commercial burglary, a felony, Born said. Additional charges may be filed following further police investigations, he added.

The girl, who was in custody Tuesday afternoon, will be released to her parents, he said.

Police believe the suspects may be responsible for many more recent crimes other than burglaries, Born said.

"There's other questions and other people we are going to interview. And the people who are here, we are going to reinterview them," he said.

FILM: State appeals to Hollywood

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primary locations, goods and services were purchased from 388 vendors in 16 counties and 36 communities."

The appeal of the state isn't limited to the gleaming gypsum of White Sands or the busy streets of Albuquerque. And isn't limited to Westerns either.

"Without even trying, New Mexico becomes a prime location for Western-themed movies. We have the landscape for them, the characters for them. New Mexico has a history rich in what people perceive as the 'typical West,'" Hutchison said.

But contemporary films like "Mad Love" and science fiction movies like "Contact" have also been filmed in the state.

"New Mexico has the opportunity to be the backlot for a number of stories, not just Westerns," Hutchison said. "We can do just about anything in New Mexico except the ocean. ... Because of the four seasons and the diverse landscape — from desert to ranch land to high country."

"The Outfitters," Hutchison said, is bound to have a positive economic effect on all of Lincoln County. Although she said it's difficult to speculate on how much or how many, she did say that a "home-grown" production like Anselmo's will do plenty for the area.

"It will certainly have more effect on local businesses and the labor pool because they won't be bringing people in. They'll be utilizing what the area has to offer."

ZONING: New building codes leave developer questioning county's fairness

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to 53 and for the first seven months of this year 49 already have been issued.

Because the county doesn't have building codes, state inspectors are responsible for checking construction in the unincorporated portions of the county. The village of Ruidoso's inspection program picks up the responsibility in a three-mile zone around Ruidoso, called the extra territorial zone. A board composed of two county commissioners and one village counselor also rules on zoning requests within that area.

Without a county building permit system, it's tough to track development, Potter said. But he has been told by the state the permits primarily fall in the area from Ruidoso north to Alto, west to Loma Grande and Sun Valley and east to Fort Stanton.

That makes sense with both the new Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts and Ranches of Sonterra, the largest subdivision to be built in the county in decades, located near Alto on Sierra Blanca Airport Road.

"I'd like to see where all the growth for the last five years has occurred, but the county didn't have that information," Potter said. "(Planner Patsy Sanchez) is trying to put that together, the ones within the ETZ zone and from the state, because we do need to look at trends for our comprehensive plan. I do know that home construction and development has not been on a small dollar scale. They've been very high dollar."

Commissioners have mixed thoughts about zoning, ranging from it's not the right time yet to zoning, to zoning in a limited form to protect the rural nature of the county.

That's just fine with developers, because the regulations leave many decisions up to the discretion of commissioners. Some think that the regulations already are too restrictive, since the county tightened them in response to passage of new state

requirements that changed the definition of what constitutes a subdivision.

Any division of a lot now falls under the regulations in an attempt to tract even small one or two lots splits that can add up over a period of years.

Local real estate agent Gary Lynch still is smarting from a commission decision last month rejecting his proposal to break six large lots into 12 of about 10 acres each. The tract previously was owned by Ranches of Sonterra.

"I've heard from umpteen number of people that our application was not handled fairly," Lynch said Tuesday. "I spoke to one commissioner before we moved ahead and he indicated there wouldn't be a problem, but he changed his mind and voted against it."

He refused to name the commissioner.

The stumbling block in the approval was an agreement commissioners reached with representatives of Properties of the Southwest, the company that developed the Ranches subdivision.

As John Underwood, attorney for Lynch and his partners explained, Ranches was on the brink of jumping into a new category of subdivision that would have required things like central water service instead of individual domestic wells. To avoid the 500 lot-and-over requirements, company officials voluntarily agreed not to subdivide a 120-acre tract in smaller than 20-acre lots.

But Underwood argued that when Lynch and partners bought the tract, the old record on the property was wiped clean. The number of lots allowed shouldn't be tied to what is happening at Ranches.

However, the majority of commissioners contended action had been taken on the tract while it was part of Ranches, locking it into six lots of 20 acres each. The fact that ownership had changed hands doesn't lessen the impact of breaking the lots into 10 acres and increasing

the number to 12, said Commissioner Wilton Howell.

Lynch said the commission has approved similar requests before from people who have purchased from Sonterra.

"It's mixed messages," Lynch said. "In an area where there obviously will be big growth, they should be open to creating a better tax base for the county."

With private roads, the county will be facing no infrastructure costs, he said. And the water report submitted indicates no problem with supply. His development of 12 lots would consist of four commercial lots fronting the airport highway, and the rest would be residential, Lynch said.

He doesn't object to the others who have been allowed to subdivide after buying from Sonterra, Lynch said, adding, "I just don't think we're getting fair and equal treatment."

Ensuring that everyone plays by the same rules and is treated fairly by commissioners also is one of the main elements in deciding whether to move ahead with any new development by Properties of the Southwest, said Lonnie Phillips, who heads the Sonterra project.

"We've basically finished everything at Ranches, (the new regulations) don't affect us as far as that development is concerned," he said. "If we do anything new in the area we would be affected and we hope to have something by the time we finish here in about 12 months."

The new regulations are restrictive and will add a tremendous amount to the cost of developing, but our basic premise is as long as everybody plays by same rules, we don't mind that. It's making sure everyone adheres to the same restrictions put in the subdivision act that's important. We're big boys and we do this all over the country."

The major cost anywhere in the state will be the ability of counties to require central water and sewer service in smaller developments.

"How they handle that will

make a difference," Phillips said. "When you start putting in water lines and fire hydrants, the costs really jump high. We will have to look at a lot of factors before we develop another subdivision to see if we can fulfill the requirements and still sell lots at a reasonable price."

Like many others in the county, Phillips said he hasn't plowed all the way through the new volume of regulations. But one of the other requirements he sees as a problem, especially for small private developments, is a 50-foot minimum right-of-way for roads.

"We've sent copies to our engineers back in Texas so we can evaluate exactly what we can do," Phillips said.

Two units of the Sonterra subdivision already are sold out except for a few scattered lots. In the third unit of 245 tracts, opened for sale in August 1996, 110 lots are left.

Commissioner L. Ray Nunley, who favored the Lynch application, said his major concern with subdivisions is water availability, which also ranks high with Commission Chairman Monroy Montes.

"If the state can't handle the situation (with review of ground water supplies), they need to pay us to do it," Nunley said.

"We do need some zoning in the county, but I don't know what type will work for us," he said. "I don't want to take the rural out of the county. I want to protect both rural and others. I'm in favor of growth and I don't want to over manage it."

Commissioner William Schwettmann, who abstains on votes related to Ranches of Sonterra, because of engineering work he performed for the company, said he's worried that the new regulations, even though largely dictated by the state, will lead to no growth in Lincoln County.

"I think we are making it so difficult to subdivide that there may never be another Sonterra," he said. "What we're doing is putting the brakes on any subdivision."



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It's a rare collection of images, the special ones that sear our private memory; the pointless details we remember for years afterward, meaningless in themselves except for what else happened on each of those days. The day John F. Kennedy was assassinated in Dallas, the moment Neil Armstrong stepped on the surface of the moon, and — for a lesser number each year — those radio reports of disaster at Pearl Harbor and of a president's death at Warm Springs, Ga.

Most of us, when we learned of these events, still can recall where we were, what we were doing, the feeling that struck us, the nearly unconscious actions we took in protest or shock or disbelief.

And now, on the Labor Day weekend in 1997, the death of an English woman in Paris.

English royalty, so long symbolic, took on human terms 16 years ago when a 20-year-old beauty married the heir to the English crown, and Princess Diana became the star of a fairy-tale Camelot much more real than Jack and Jacqueline Kennedy's. Those of Anglo-Saxon descent wherever they lived in the world took a personal interest in the woman who would, God willing, someday become the queen mother of a diminishing English realm.

And when royal Prince Charles and royal star Princess Di proved how very human they were, and with time slipped and failed in the messy business of life, Diana became more admired.

When that far-from-fairy-tale life ended following a crash in a motor car in a Paris tunnel in the early hours of a Sunday morning, our consciousness was seared once again: A shooting star gone in too short a time, another star born in the pantheon of a century's history.

In America, it was a holiday — a long Labor Day weekend. For millions of us, the 1997 Labor Day holiday will be associated with the death of a princess.

In Ruidoso, one of the images many will remember about this Labor Day will be the flags flying at half-mast during the 39th running of the All American Futurity race at Ruidoso Downs, in memory of a woman who had died, as another woman won a very rich horse race.



Courtesy: Carmon Phillips, The Old Mill

Completing the record

Mary Lou Gooch of Ruidoso named all the musicians in the L. C. Scrapbook photo published on Aug. 27; she knew because her husband Leroy was in the picture, at far left. Others, left to right, were Earl Hefte, Roger Rush, Clyde Peterson (who with Leroy made up "The Four Profs").

She said they were performing at the Chaparral club — located where the Champions Run condos now stand — one evening in the mid-1960s, and musicians Ray Reed and Gene Lambert (at the right) stepped in for a few numbers. Hefte, Rush and Peterson all were teachers, as was Gooch; hence, the "four pros."

Lambert had been part of the Bob Wills band.

And Reed was well into a career that took him all over the country. He's now the carerod of the annual Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium, this year to be Oct. 10-12.

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Ed Stein
Rocky Mtn.
NEWS-NEWS**THE DREAMER****Happy birthday to brother Mark**

This is being sent to you just after midday on Aug. 31 and will reach you on Sept. 3, the eve of the birthday of our brother, Mark.

Marcus Kennedy Storm was born Sept. 4, 1911, in Valdez, Alaska, to Lynn Whippo Storm and Bertha Kennedy Storm. He is named after his grandfather, Capt. John Calvin Kennedy, of the 13th Illinois Cavalry, and Major Marcus Reno, both of the Union Army in the Civil War.

He was baptized in the historic little Episcopal Church of the Epiphany, in Valdez.

Mark inherited his grandfather Kennedy's courage, compassion, devout nature and love of horses.

His fondness for horses began when Mr. Perkins would bring groceries to our house in his one-horse wagon. When the wagon would arrive, Mark would be looking out the window, and at sight of the horse would laugh with delight.

BY DAN STORM
COLUMNIST

Many times he would be carried out to pet the large bay horse.

This was before he could talk and at this same time he began drawing pictures with pencil and crayon, of horses, wagons, dogs, sleds, human figures, snowbirds, Christmas trees and seagulls.

In the intervening years between those early days, horses have figured prominently in Mark's paintings and sculptures.

Life in Oregon

After we left Alaska the second time, we lived for a

while in the little southern Oregon town of Ashland.

There were ranches in the surrounding country and contestants came from miles around to the Ashland rodeos. Here Mark became acquainted with bronc riders such as Verne Dollarhide, and the famous Modoc Indian riders, sunlight and Roland Jackson. Here also he began drawing rodeo scenes in crayon, pencil and water colors.

When we lived in the mountains of Sinaloa, Mexico, for a year, Mark gained permanent background for his later paintings of Mexican cowboys (vaqueros), mule and burro caravans and ox carts.

Life in Lincoln County

When we arrived in Lincoln County in 1925, Mark was in his true element. Here he worked as a cowboy and entered the rodeos.

Among the champions of his rodeo days were Cecil

Massey, Roy Coe, Gerald Tully, Alan Reynolds, Jack Casey, Buzz Casey, Bill Dick Browning, Dude Browning, Claude Walker, Johnny Thomas, Jose Herrera, R. C. Lott and Porfirio Gonzales.

In many of Mark's paintings, Lincoln County comes shining through.

Among those who have appeared in Mark's paintings and portraits are Paul Jones, Bob Lambert, Wendell Chino, Gerald and Gerry Tully and Porfirio Gonzales.

When we started going to Austin, Texas, for the winters, Mark attended the University of Texas where he studied architecture and was on the track team. There Mark met his wife-to-be, Fernie Sweeney of Houston. They were married in 1936, and now have two daughters, six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

We wish our brother Mark many happy returns of the day, and all God's blessings.

YOUR OPINION**Active Altrusans**

To the editor:

That was a terrific article Julie Baxter wrote about the annual orientation for the Ruidoso school district and staff. Nowhere, though, does it mention (except under the photo) the breakfast buffet. I belong to the group that poured its heart, soul and countless hours into putting on that buffet — Altrusa of Ruidoso. Altrusa has done breakfast for this group for 16 years.

You may not know it, but Altrusa is the group that gave us G.U.S. (the Gently Used Sale) in June. Altrusa is the driving force behind Mammogram Month (Oct. 6-31 this year). Last year over 400 local women had mammograms at a cost of just \$55. Six women received \$42,100 in scholarships from Altrusa. This is done in varying amounts every semester. Altrusa is involved in the Crisis Center, literacy in Lincoln County, the river cleanup and many more worthwhile projects. As individuals, outside of Altrusa, members are active in church groups, Big Brother-Big Sister, Project Vida, Friends of the Library, Ruidoso Little Theater, Humane Society, Hospital Auxiliary, Museum of the Horse, Garden Club, Eastern Star, Lincoln County Sheriff's posse — this is one busy group.

Altrusans (and Altrousans, our husbands) know we are

making Ruidoso and Lincoln County a better place to live, but every now and then we need a pat on the back, or "job well done." Some recognition. Thank you, Ruidoso, for supporting Altrusa.

Kitty Jelsowsky
President-elect,
Altrusa-Ruidoso

Of ants and people

To the editor:

Ant hills and human cities are almost alike, the major difference: In an ant hill everyone has a job and is willing to do that job or die trying. Such dedication is rarely seen in a "human hill." The ants have been doing their thing longer than we have ours, and theirs appears to be working better for them than ours is for us. Is there a lesson in that? The ant's society is a basic or a simple system to follow. Maybe we should study the ants a little bit closer? They also have a very good immune system.

Aliens visited the Earth millions of years ago and stayed; we now know them as cockroaches. That would explain the big dark brown eyes in almost all of the "alien abductees" drawings of what their abductors look like. These aliens are half bug and half human, and sometimes they come here to visit the bugs, not the humans! And we humans are doing our darndest to kill them. Maybe we should try

another approach. The ant and roach are hard bugs to kill; just ask the Orkin man. They survived an ice age and global flooding. Can't we humans take a hint? The ant/roach communicate in a much more advanced manner than we do without the aid of high tech equipment. Have you heard any ants talking lately? What do ants and roaches eat? The waste of human society. They are actually helping us by cleaning up our mess and we are trying to kill them. Maybe this could be an easy way to dispose of our non-recyclable waste. Treat it with something the bugs like and let them eat it...

Recycle, re-use... Rebuild, repair? Our manufacturers have turned us into a throw-away society. Recycling should start at the manufacturers. There should be a law requiring all manufacturers to recycle 100 percent of their old, worn, not-user-repairable products like car parts, trucks, lawn equipment, toys, packaging... This would be the end of landfills or barges loaded with trash sitting in some harbor just pumping toxic bilge water... polluting our harbors and rivers... Just think of the cost savings, for the government and most everyone except those who profit from the "management" of all the (stuff) nobody wants. Waste management is big business, and big business makes big political

contributions to the right politicians who make the laws right for big business. It's a vicious circle.

I'll probably get run over by a garbage truck next week. Who said ants, garbage trucks and politicians weren't related subjects? You just need to think about it for a minute or two and you'll see the relationship.

Richard Nordland
Ruidoso Downs

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. 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 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.

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CHURCH: Tribal traditions mix with Catholicism at St. Joseph's Mission

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Religion at St. Joseph's is a mixture of tribal traditions and Catholicism, with mutual respect on both sides, he said.

For instance, the metallic "jingle" decorations used on dress and bag fringe create a sound that represents a blessing. They are used by medicine men as they sing and chant, he said.

In the sanctuary at the head of the church, the portrait of the Apache Christ, a Mescalero holy man, was painted by Robert Lentz in 1990. On his raised left hand is painted the Zia sun sign, as he greets the sun on the fourth morning of the coming of age ceremony for young girls. That is the most sacred of celebrations and illustrates the sanctity of creating new life.

In his right hand, he holds a deer hoof rattle. An eagle flies in the background, a symbol of the eagle that first led the Apache to their promise land. A bowl at his feet contains an eagle feather, a grass brush, a bag of tobacco and a bag of cattail pollen, items used in the puberty rite.

The Apache Christ stands on top of Sierra Blanca Mountain, one of four mountains sacred to the Mescalero.

Braun first arrived at the mission as a young friar in 1916 and soon saw the need for a church. The existing adobe church was crumbling.

His project was interrupted in 1918 when he went to Europe as an Army chaplain during World War I. His travels in Europe exposed him to cathedrals and he decided to build the Apache church in that style as a tribute to the tribe and as a memory to those who died in the war.

He started with \$100 and a few volunteers. They dug a foundation more than seven feet deep in places and laid the cornerstone in 1920.

A Philadelphia architect drew up and donated the plans for the church, but he never saw the results of his work.

All of the materials are native to the reservation or surrounding area. The stone was quarried in winter about four miles down the canyon near Bépt. They were hauled to the mission in the spring.

"It was a Herculean task," Boegel said.

Lime was burned in pits near the church. The stones were laid in the summer and

fall. The walls of the tower are four feet thick and form the foundation for a cross outside that stands 103 feet high.

Sitting in the wooden pews, visitors are 80 feet below the ceiling and its massive beams. The timber for the roof was purchased from a local sawmill. The tiles on the floor and roof came from a pottery plant in La Luz Canyon. The lighting fixtures were designed and crafted in Juarez, Mexico.

Initially boards blocked out the sunlight at the windows,

but in 1961 a glass firm in El Paso designed and installed the current colorful windows.

One person, a German Franciscan named Brother Salesius, lost his life during construction and is buried outside the church, Boegel said. He was trying to unload one of the heavy stones off a truck when it slipped and crushed his chest.

A brochure on the church, available inside, pointed out that Salesius had been an artilleryman of the German army in World War I and fought

against those to whom the church is dedicated.

Braun also joined the service as a chaplain in World War II and survived the infamous Bataan Death March in the Philippines. He worked at the mission for many years after his return, eventually was transferred to Phoenix, Ariz., and died in a nursing home there in 1983 at the age of 95.

He's buried in the sanctuary of the imposing church that has become a landmark on the Mescalero Reservation.

Jail gets approval to hire 3

Some new faces will be greeting inmates at the Lincoln County Detention Center in Carrizozo.

At a Lincoln County Commission meeting Monday, jail administrator Wayland Hill asked for five more employees, one to handle paperwork, and four to act as jailers.

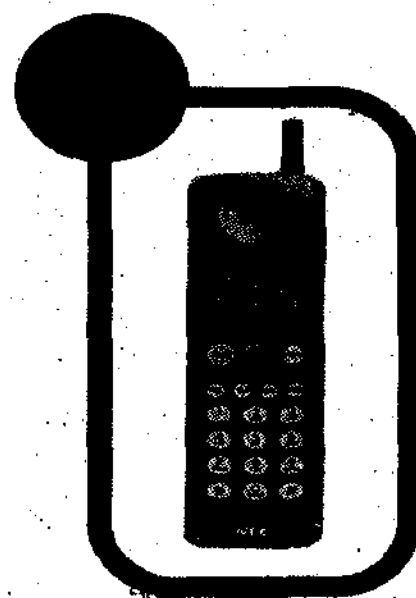
Although he tries to schedule two jailers per shift, at times only one person is there to supervise more than 48 inmates, Hill said. The county is under pressure from the

state Fire Marshal's Office and the New Mexico County Insurance Authority to add staff, he said.

Several attempts at motions failed, including one from Commissioner Wilton Howell to hire all five as part time.

Commissioner L. Ray Nunley finally received support for his motion to hire three new employees. He said commissioners can look again at the jail situation during mid-year budget review.

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Suspect Monk will be tested

Murder suspect Harry Doyle Monk Jr. has been transferred to the state hospital in Las Vegas for evaluation.

At a hearing in Lincoln County District Court Tuesday, assistant district attorney Canon Stevens agreed to a request for an evaluation from Monk's attorney Gary Mitchell. The process could take from three to nine months to complete, Stevens said.

The evaluation is required because Monk has been taken off a stabilizing medication, she said. Mitchell contends his client is incompetent to stand trial.

Monk is accused of killing his friend Daniel William Van Bemen in the remote Capitan Mountains on Nov. 15.

In an interview earlier this year, investigator C.M. Vincent of the Lauderdale County, Miss., Sheriff's Office said Monk concocted a scheme to cover his incest with his 15-year-old daughter. He planned to blame the pregnancy of the girl on Van Bemen, then killed his friend so it would look as if Van Bemen ran to avoid prosecution.

Last November, Monk was living in his ex-wife's back yard in a semi-rural settlement in Lauderdale County, Miss., called the Mini-Farms. Living with him were his children and current wife, whom he married when she was 15 and pregnant, police in Mississippi said.

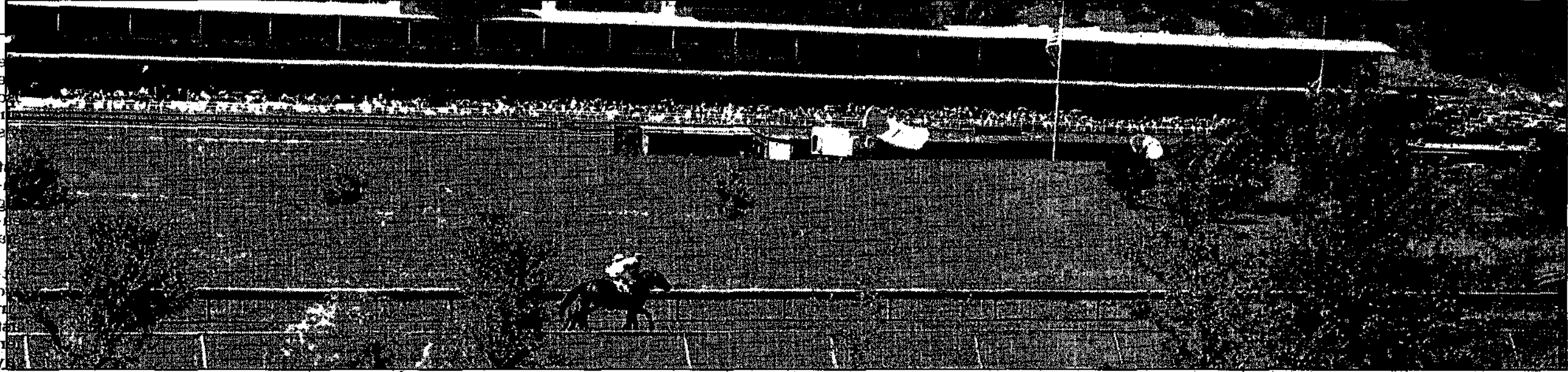
Monk had been coming to hunt in the Capitan for many years with a Navy buddy from Portales. He invited Van Bemen to come with in November.

Neither hot-dogs, beer nor soft drinks can stay a race fan from his concentration as a new race is about to start



Keith Green/Ruidoso News

An All American extravaganza



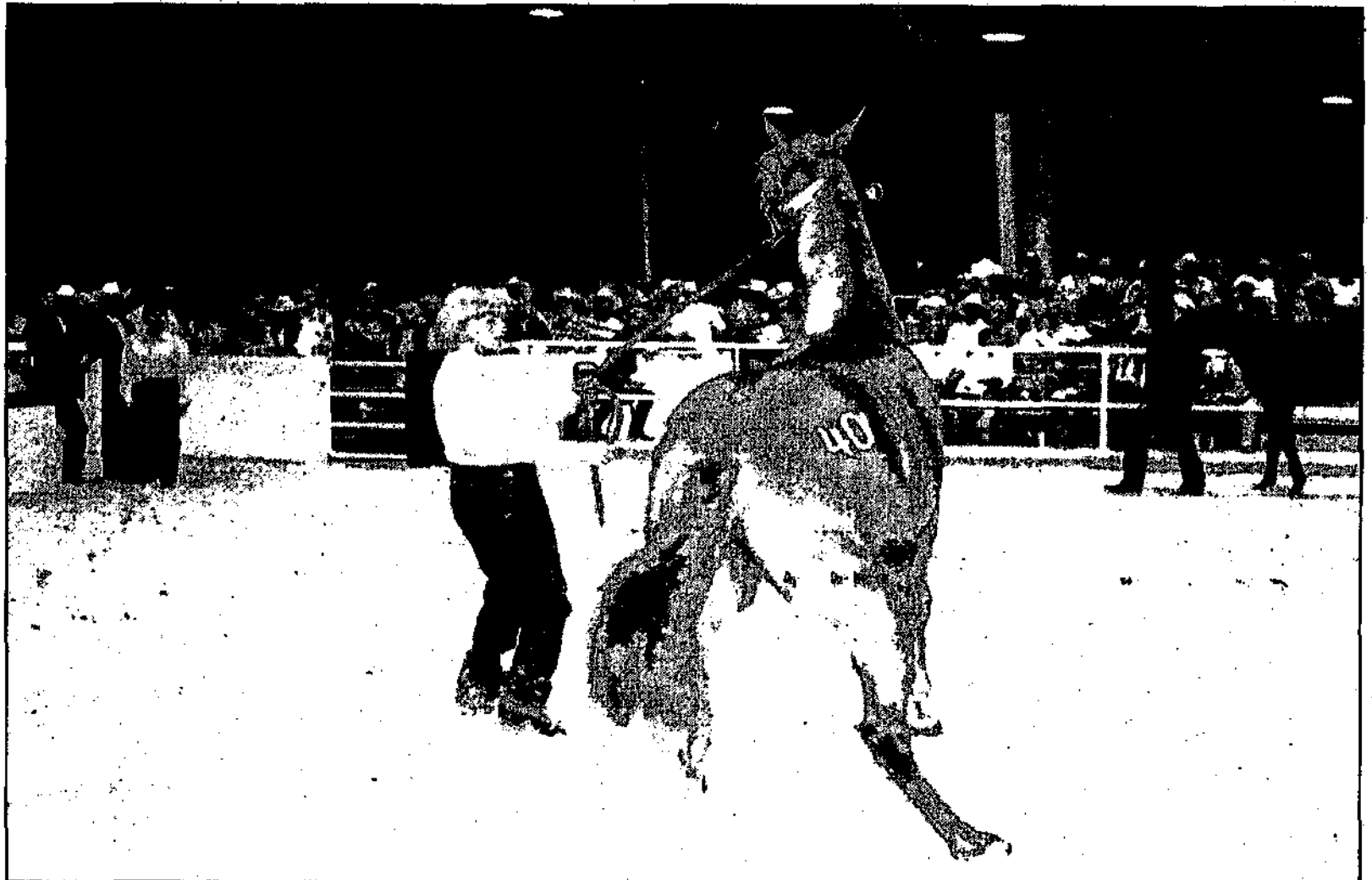
Keith Green/Ruidoso News

Under blue skies, the 1997 All American Futurity attracted thousands to Ruidoso Downs where flags were flown at half-mast in memory of Princess Diana, and where a woman named Tami Purcell riding a filly named Corona Cash won the winner's share of almost \$900,000. It wasn't the biggest purse in the history of All American racing, but it rated as perhaps the most interesting field.



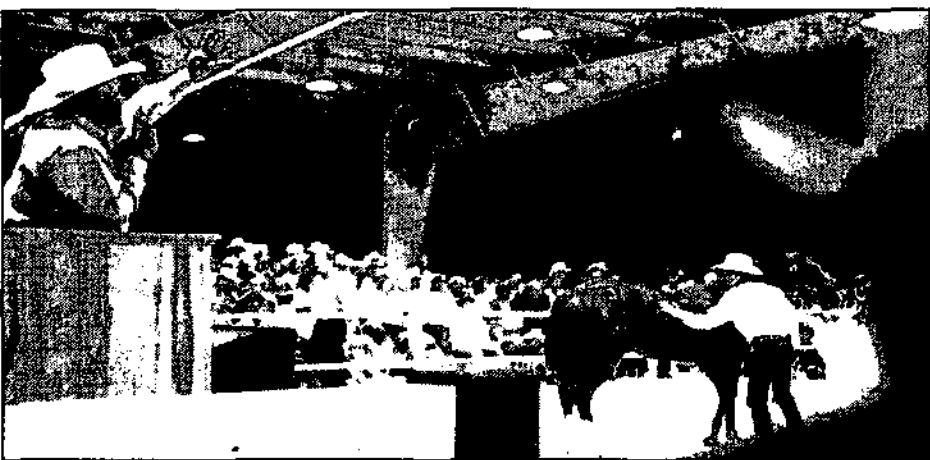
Toni K. Laxson/Ruidoso News

Even a long view from the entrance is better than no view on race day.



Toni K. Laxson/Ruidoso News

Excitement of another kind characterized the Super Select yearling sale, where buyers sought a future winner of the quarter horse world's biggest prize, the All American Futurity.



Toni K. Laxson/Ruidoso News

Auctioneers were busy for hours during two horse auctions last weekend.



Contributed/Ruidoso News

Needlework competition also was part of the All American Festival, down to the wire.

A new feeling of optimism was one characteristic of the 39th running of the All American Futurity. There was a feeling that a future casino at the Downs will do much to rescue a sport that had been losing ground in much of the country in recent years.



Dianne Stallings/Ruidoso News

Crafts had their own All American days at the nearby village of Ruidoso Downs.



Keith Green/Ruidoso News

After the big race came the long wait, as thousands waited to leave the track ... 'til next year.

A woman's place is in the winner's circle

• Tami Purcell becomes first woman jockey to win the quarter horse classic.

A birthday present and a place in history were delivered in the same package Monday.

Two-year-old filly Corona Cash outran the rest to win the \$1.6 million All American Futurity at Ruidoso Downs.

Owner Oscar McArthur couldn't have asked for a better birthday present than the filly's half-length win over Flys R Droppin.

Breaking from post 10 under regular rider Tami Purcell, Corona Cash got away cleanly and quickly and was in front by a head at the first point of call in the 440-yard classic. It was an advantage she maintained for most of the running until edging away late to post her winning half-length margin.

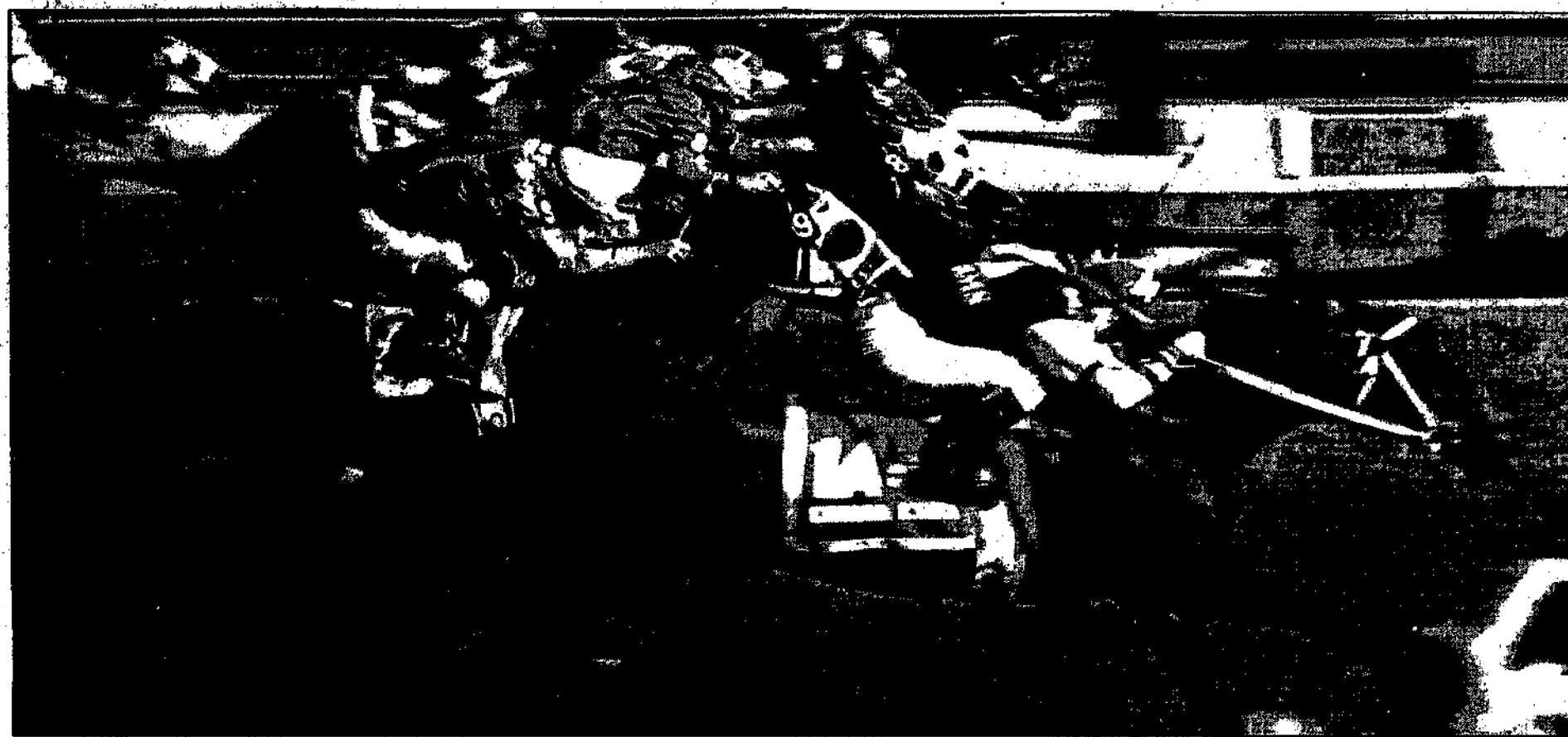
"She left good and smooth, it was a good smooth start. She was able to get going and the distance helped her and she just kept trying and wouldn't give up," Purcell said of her trip in the biggest win of her career.

With her victory in the world's richest quarter horse race, Purcell, 37, became the first woman to win the All American and the first woman to ride the winner of a horse race in America with a purse of \$1 million or greater.

In celebration, the rider threw her whip into the air after she and Corona Cash crossed the line.

"I've always wanted to do that, I kept trying and trying and finally it just went up in the air," Purcell said.

Purcell and Corona Cash



Tami Purcell rode into history aboard All American Futurity winner Corona Cash. Purcell became the first woman ride the winner of race with a seven-figure purse.

encountered a brief anxious moment about midway through the sprint when the filly Royal N Perfect came out and made contact with Memorize just to their inside.

"There might have been a little bit (of contact). Coming down the lane I think there was a horse kind of getting out a little bit and put the nine (Memorize) into me and I think it just made her (Corona Cash) mad," the rider said.

If anger was the emotion aroused in the daughter of First Down Dash, she was able to channel it into acceleration

as she pinned her ears and ran a straight line down the outside lane of the Ruidoso straightaway. The Donna McArthur-trained filly bested what some considered to be the most talented field ever assembled in the history of the All American Futurity.

Away from post three under Jimmy Brooks, Flys R Droppin had a clean trip and turned in a game performance but was second best. Only a nose separated the runner-up from third-place finisher Royal N Perfect.

Royal N Perfect, the previ-

ously undefeated filly owned by 18-year-old Mike Ivie of Utah, came out midway through the running forcing Memorize into Corona Cash. Following a stewards' inquiry into the incident, the filly was disqualified and placed fifth. Honor Ease was moved up to third and Memorize was placed fourth.

With the victory, McArthur became only the second woman to train the winner of an All American Futurity. Connie Hall saddled A Classic Dash to win the 1993 All American. McArthur is the third woman in the history of U.S. racing to

win a race with a purse of \$1 million or greater.

"I had a lot of confidence in our filly. She didn't get out the gates as good as she can, but she's so good and she's so seasoned and she's a competitor and we had everything on our side today," McArthur said.

"You have to be 110 percent when you come for a race like this today, you can't come half-cocked," McArthur said.

Corona Cash earned the \$888,690 winner's share of the purse. Her time of 21.55 seconds for the 440 yards was the Futurity's slowest since 1991.

Ruidoso succumbs to Artesia

BY LAURA CLYMER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Better efficiency inside the opponents' 20-yard-line will be crucial if the Ruidoso Warriors are to even their record at 1-1 in Friday's home opener.

The Warriors, who host Lovington at 7:30 p.m., converted one of three scoring opportunities in their season-opening loss to Artesia last Friday.

Defense decided the outcome the last time the two teams met on the gridiron in the Class AAA playoffs last year. It did so again, when the Bulldogs turned away visiting Ruidoso, 19-8.

"We played well. We just ran a little short of gas. The kids played hard and gave us everything they had," Ruidoso head coach Les Carter said.

The Ruidoso red zone was more a shade of pink after the Warriors squandered two scoring opportunities inside the Artesia 10-yard-line in the first half.

The Warriors put together a 17-play drive in their first offensive series, but came away with nothing. Another drive by RHS came up empty, and at the half Artesia led, 7-0.

The ball control offense was just what Carter said the Warriors needed against Artesia. But the Warriors also needed to capitalize. At halftime, Carter addressed that issue.

The Warriors responded by taking the second-half kickoff and marching down the field for a 3-yard option scamper by junior quarterback Corey Saenz. Ruidoso faked the extra point kick and Saenz hit Adrian Herrera for a two-point conversion, for an 8-7 Warrior lead.

With eight minutes left in the game and seven players playing both sides of the line, the Warriors simply fell victim to fatigue. They committed mental and physical mistakes, allowing the favored Bulldogs to retake the lead.

"It wasn't because the kids quit trying. It was because the kids didn't have any more to give," Carter said. "We were pleased with their effort. We just need to work on getting the ball in end zone."

Capitan will battle more than other teams in '97

BY LAURA CLYMER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Two years ago, the Capitan class of 1998 looked like it would have no trouble upholding the Tiger tradition of success on the volleyball court. Last year the Tigers finished 12-7 and won their second straight District 6AA volleyball title.

That year's junior class was a strong group of athletes led by Coye Robbins and five others. But now, three of the six players are gone, including Robbins, and coach Bryan Massé and his team face the season with a whole new starting lineup — decimated by transfers and graduation.

Capitan's success depends,

in large part, on how well the team gels, Massé said.

"They have a real good attitude, team-wise," he said, adding the Tigers work hard, have a passion for the game and listen.

But will that be enough for the Tigers to three-peat the district title?

"We're going to depend on middle blockers. We're going to have to play great defense simply because we don't have the killer hitters," Massé said.

Massé hopes the lack of a big hitter will play into the Tigers' paws. Teams might overlook Capitan, giving his team a window of opportunity.

Quickness on both offense and defense are a must for the Tigers, Massé said.

Shouldering the load for Massé will be seniors Monica Johnson and Michelle Wilson.

Johnson was coming into her own last year when she severely sprained her ankle. She's back and healthy, and playing setter/hitter for Massé.

The other Tiger to see regular action in 1996 was Wilson. Wilson will play both front and back row this year.

Senior Ann Holt, a defensive specialist in '96, moves to setter/hitter. Rounding out the senior class are Staci Gunkel and Carlsbad transfer Stephanie Midgley.

Four juniors complete the upperclass ranks for Massé. They are Cara Baker, one of Massé's tallest at 5-foot-8, Misty Thetford and the Autrey



Volleyball '97

twins, Erin and Krin.

Capitan's success also will depend on how quickly the Tiger sophomores and freshmen develop. Massé has good numbers in both classes.

The sophomores are Marlo Maroon, Krystal Roybal, Trenna Stephens, Esperanza Martinez and Holly Schlarb, a

transfer from Carrizozo.

The freshman class features 6-foot Lindsey Bush, Mandi Arrowsmith and Jessica Castaneda.

"In 18 years of coaching I finally got my first 6-footer to coach in volleyball," Massé said of Bush.

When Capitan's other tallest player measures 5-8, there's little doubt that Bush will see some varsity action.

"She'll definitely help us in the middle. She's got long arms and she's a pretty good blocker," Massé said.

The Tigers will be challenged from the opening serve of the season. They host Tatum on Thursday for freshman, junior varsity and varsity action beginning at 4 p.m.

Tiger football coach relishes the role of the darkhorse



Junior Justin Joiner directs a young offensive backfield for the Capitan Tigers.

• Tigers start 1997 grid campaign with a 15-0 shutout of Loving last Friday.

BY LAURA CLYMER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Entering his seventh year at the helm of the Capitan Tigers, Ed Davis is content his team is considered somewhat of a darkhorse in this year's Class A football race.

"Last year we had seniors who never played before. But this year we just have three seniors (who have playing experience)," Davis said.

That trio of Tim McGarvey, Matt Daniels and Jason Montes will try to lead a young, but talented underclass group to improve upon last year's 4-6 mark.

The Tigers took a step toward that goal Friday with a 15-0 victory over Loving in the home-opener. Two touchdowns by sophomore James Robinson paced Capitan over the Falcons.

Robinson's first score came on a 1-yard run in the third quarter, which capped off a 60-yard drive, Davis said. Raymond Harris' extra point made it, 7-0.

In the fourth quarter, Robinson picked off a Falcon pass and returned 52 yards for another touchdown.

A pass from junior quarterback Justin Joiner flipped a pass to Patrick Hansell for the two-point conversion.

The Tiger defense limited the Falcons total offense to 144 yards and recovered five fumbles.

"They moved the ball on us," Davis said. "The quarterback and did a super job of moving the ball on us. But we made some adjustments at the half."

Capitan's defense stepped up in the second half, and the game ended on a goal-line stand by the Tigers.

The Tigers played well enough to win, but it was not flawless.

"We made a lot of mental mistakes," Davis said. "The ability is there. If we can just get the mental aspect changed ... and we know we can do that."

Capitan doesn't have much time to get mental. The Tigers host No. 2-ranked Fort Sumner Friday. Mario Martinez's Foxes were 25-0 victors over Class AA Estancia.

"(The key to the season is) to come together as a unit. We've got a tough schedule," Davis said.

A good work ethic is in the Tigers' corner.

"It's the hardest working bunch of kids we've had," Davis said.

And with no major superstar, Capitan is balanced as well.

"We've got so many guys who are even. They stomp their toe or slip on a blade of grass and they might lose their position," Davis said.

Joiner will direct the Tiger offense which is composed mostly of sophomores and juniors. Rounding out the backfield are sophomore Robinson, and junior James Tacey and Raymond Harris.

"Those four boys can run," Davis said.

Of Capitan's 262 yards in total offense Friday, 251 of them were gained on the ground. Josh Long led Capitan with 10 rushes for 83 yards, while Robinson picked up 68 yards on 12 attempts.

Does that signal a run-oriented offense this season for the Tigers?

"We didn't want to be, but we were Friday night. We would like to be able to run and throw with the speed we have," Davis said.

McGarvey at tackle and Daniels and Montes at guards will be responsible for opening holes for the running backs and protecting Joiner when he drops back to pass.

Joiner's primary target will be 6-foot-4 Patrick Hansell at tight end. There's a battle for starting spots at split end, with Lance Jones and Cody Joiner among the hopefuls.

Fortunately for Davis, he has lots of players to pick from — 56 in all.

"We are young. We are going to make mistakes. We are going to correct them," Davis said confidently. "I kind of like being the darkhorse."



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3 - Ute Creek Jct(J.Martinez) 2.40
Quin 1-6 51.80 Tri 1-6-3 311.60
D/Dbt 1-6 58.40 Winning Time :1:14.1

Race 3: Purses\$1800 MDN 2YO 120
Cm\$5000 330 Yd
3 - Merri Music Man(C.Rollings) 8.00
4.20 3.40
2 - Leaving Las Vegas(J.Hunt)
9.60 6.60
9 - Gold For The Takin(GR Carter) 3.80
Quin 3-2 39.40 Tri 3-2-9 49.70
T/Tri exchanges: 25 Winning Time :16.84

Race 4: Purses\$1800 MDN 3YO&UP
120/122 Cm\$3200 350 Yd
8 - Turn Me Up(GR Carter)
4.60 3.40 2.40
9 - Nice Looking Straw(C.Rollings)
12.80 4.40
4 - Last Hurdling Star(J.Hunt) 2.40
Quin 8-9 66.40 Tri 8-9-4 269.00
T/Tri exchanges: 25 Winning Time :17.83

Race 5: Purses\$2600 MDN[F] 2YO NMB
120 400 Yd
1 - Disarming(J.Rodriguez)
9.00 6.00 4.80

2 - Coda Will(B.Washburn)
13.60 12.80
5 - Brandy Shaker(J.Maldonado) 14.40
Quin 1-2 68.80 Tri 1-2-5 2301.00
Ex 1-2 299.40 Winning Time :20.37

Race 6: Purses\$1900 MDN 3YO&UP
120/122 300 Yd
7 - Pleasant Mary(S.Estrada Jr.)
13.00 8.60 5.80
8 - Lethal High(J.Brooks)
5.60 4.00
2 - Kaiseh(B.Shipley) 3.60
Quin 7-8 28.00 Tri 7-8-2 203.20
Winning Time :15.68

Race 7: Purses\$1900 3YO&UP N/W 2
120/122 Cm\$3200 870 Yd
3 - Chargin Kas(J.Fierro) 14.20 4.40 3.40
1 - Buddah Kid(K.Roller) 2.60 2.60
7 - Quark(D.Sterling) 4.20
Quin 3-1 15.00 Tri 3-1-7 131.40
Winning Time :46.67

Race 8: Purses\$2000 3YO 120 Cm\$4000
5 1/2 Fur
2 - Hypercut(Q.Bui) 28.80 7.40 4.40
1 - AJ Prince(C.Rivas) 3.60 2.60
4 - Con Fuerza(F.Fischer) 3.00
Quin 2-1 39.20 Tri 2-1-4 176.00
Ex 2-1 54.00 Winning Time :1:05.4

Race 9: Purses\$1900 3YO&UP N/W 97
116/121 Cm\$2500 1 Mile
7 - Kwahadi Dancer(J.Martinez) 9.40
4.20 3.40
8 - Silent Attack(K.Roller) 8.80 4.80
2 - Tagumpay(D.Mitchell) 3.20
Quin 7-8 48.00 Tri 7-8-2 533.20
Tri 3-2-7 393.60 Winning Time :1:41.4
Scratched: 4 - Longwaytothemint
Attendance: 2,479 Handle: \$187,679

Ruidoso Downs Results
August 30, 1997

Race 1: Purses\$2600 N/W 2 NMB 120

Cm\$5000 350 Yd
1 - Corina Dosi(A.Baldillez Jr.)
8.00 5.00 3.40
2 - Classic Strals(T.Fischer) 4.80
3.60
6 - Chiz Grimes(J.Rodriguez) 3.60
Quin 1-2 17.40 Tri 1-2-6 134.40
Winning Time :17.53

Race 2: Purses\$2000 MDN[F] 2YO 118 5
1/2 Fur
4 - Capito's Doll(B.Shipley)
4.80 3.60 2.40
5 - My Worthy Lady(K.Roller)
6.40 2.60
1 - Taming The Shrew(V.Smallwood)
2.20
Quin 4-5 31.40 Tri 4-5-1 66.20
D/Dbt 1-4 27.00 Winning Time :1:06.3

Race 3: Purses\$1900 MDN[F] 2YO 120
400 Yd
7 - Finished Business(K.Hart)
12.00 4.20 3.00
9 - A Fulldown Runaway(J.Martinez)
3.40 2.60
2 - Dancing Winner(J.Rodriguez)
2.60
Quin 7-9 12.60 Tri 7-9-2 11.00
T/Tri exchanges: 294 Winning Time :20.11

Race 4: Purses\$2000 MDN 2YO 118 5 1/2 Fur
10 - Bubble's Big Baby(S.Estrada Jr.) 32.00
14.20 7.20
5 - Mojo Red(T.Laib) 5.80
5.40
9 - Classie Dancer(D.Mitchell) 7.60
Quin 10-5 137.60 Tri 10-5-9 1693.20
T/Tri exchanges: \$9132.93
Winning Time :1:04.1

Race 5: Purses\$1900 3YO&UP N/W 3
120/122 Cm\$5000 350 Yd
7 - Tan Your Hide(A.Baldillez)
6.60 4.00 3.60
9 - Salvo Dulce(V.Smallwood)
12.00 6.20

4 - Real Easy Bullen(B.Shipley) 6.40
Quin 7-9 49.40 Tri 7-9-4 3354.00
Ex 7-9 50.80 Winning Time :17.88

Race 6: Purses\$2800 3YO&UP 116/121
Cm\$8000 5 Fur
8 - Bold Classy(J.Martinez)
3.60 3.00 2.60
7 - Politech(V.Smallwood)
4.60 3.60
5 - Double Or Quits(D.Howard) 3.40
Quin 8-7 14.80 Tri 8-7-5 94.40
Winning Time :1:10.4

Race 7: Purses\$4000 3YO&UP Alw
120/122 330 Yd
7 - Fabulous Leader(B.Shipley) 22.20
6.40 3.00
2 - The Rainbow Royale(J.Martinez)
2.80 2.40
6 - Digging Gold(C.Rollings)
2.60
Quin 7-2 22.60 Tri 7-2-6 214.40
Winning Time :16.72

Race 8: Purses\$4500 3YO&UP N/W q/t MCT
97 Alw 116/121 5 1/2 Fur
3 - Gail Mountain(D.Howard) 5.80
4.00 3.00
6 - My Special Ego(T.Laib)
4.60 3.60
1 - Poupon Express(V.Smallwood)
4.40
Quin 3-6 17.00 Tri 3-6-1 187.60
Ex 3-6 27.80 Winning Time :1:04.2

Race 9: Purses\$1900 4YO&UP 121
Cm\$2500 7 1/2 Fur
4 - Believe In Stars(D.Mitchell)
13.60 7.00 4.80
1 - Oriental Pass(M.Fuentes)
4.20 5.00
1A - Onemorebird(A.Fuentes)
4.20 5.00
Quin 4-1 20.00 Tri 4-1-3 212.60
Tri 7-3-4 821.00 Winning Time :1:34.3
Attendance: 5,347 Handle: \$408,926

Ruidoso Downs Results
August 31, 1997

Race 1: Purses\$1800 MDN 3YO&UP

120/122 Cm\$5000 870 Yd
3 - Mr Easy Treat(T.Laib)
6.80 3.80 2.80
8 - Always a Raresey(J.Fierro)
10.80 5.00
7 - Tumppum Duck(S.Estrada Jr.) 8.00
Quin 6-8 22.60 Tri 6-8-7 310.40
Winning Time :1:12.2

Race 2: Purses\$2100 3YO&UP N/W 3
116/121 Cm\$5000 5 1/2 Fur
5 - Classy Lincoln(M.Maldonado) 19.00
7.00 4.00
7 - Raise A Looker(Q.Bui)
4.20 3.40
6 - Far East Ridge(J.Martinez) 4.80
Quin 5-7 46.40 Tri 5-7-6 3729.40
D/Dbt 6-5 84.40 Winning Time :1:06.1

Race 3: Purses\$1900 MDN 2YO 120 350
Yd
9 - All Down Dash(A.Baldillez Jr.) 16.20
7.00 3.20
2 - Reddinos Snip(A.Fuentes)
5.60 3.00
8 - Bubbling Crude(J.Martinez) 2.60
Quin 9-2 39.00 Tri 9-2-8 38.20
T/Tri exchanges: 122 Winning Time :17.60
Scratched: 3 - Classic Silk Dash

Race 4: Purses\$1900 3YO&UP N/W 2 97
116/121 Cm\$2500 6 Fur
5 - Circle Cowboy(M.Fuentes) 10.00
5.20 3.60
3 - Clyde The Glider(R.Kedder)
19.20 9.20
5 - Slew West(J.Maldonado) 5.40
Quin 6-3 195.00 Tri 6-3-5 4790.60
Winning Time :1:12.1

Race 5: Purses\$2100 3YO&UP 120/122
Cm\$4000 870 Yd
7 - Maji Moto(S.Sherpino) 44.80
14.60 5.00
5 - Go Streakin Garrett(A.Fuentes)
5.20 2.80
6 - Deign(GR Carter) 3.40
Quin 7-5 61.20 Tri 7-5-6 869.20
Ex 7-5 192.60 Winning Time :46.43

Race 6: Purses\$1900 F&M 3YO&UP N/W 2

97 116/121 Cm\$2500 6 Fur
1 - Southern Tracker(M.Fuentes)
7.40 4.40 3.80
3 - Pats No Show(S.Sherpino)
6.00 4.20
8 - Knobbill Gaby(Roller) 5.20
Quin 1-2 38.00 Tri 1-2-8 458.40
Winning Time :1:12.2

Race 7: Purses\$2000 Added 2YO Ruidoso
18 Fur 117/120 5 Fur
7 - Castle(M.Fuentes)
10.60 4.20 2.60
3 - Cartequine(L.Payne)
5.80 3.20
9 - The Soul Express(C.Rivas)
2.60
Quin 7-3 39.20 Tri 7-3-9 124.20
Winning Time :1:12.2

Race 8: Purses\$3500 F&M 3YO&UP Alw
N/W 3 116/121 6 Fur
4 - Mi Tiera(Q.Bui) 16.00 6.60
3.40
7 - Prissy Poly(G.Villegas) 5.00
2.80
3 - Saratoga Sk Pack(V.Smallwood)
2.60
Quin 4-7 39.00 Tri 4-7-3 150.00
Winning Time :1:11.1

Race 9: Purses\$257312.10 3YO All Ameri-
can Dashing 120 440 Yd
1A - Floating Perfection(GR Carter)
3.20 2.40 2.20
4 - Royal Shake Em(R.Vallejo)
4.20 3.00
7 - Devine Wind(J.Rodriguez) 3.60
Quin 1-4 13.80 Tri 1-4-7 82.80
Ex 1-4 17.40 Winning Time :21.39

Race 10: Purses\$1900 3YO&UP N/W 2
116/121 Cm\$2500 7 1/2 Fur
1 - Floating Clouds(J.Martinez) 11.40
5.40 3.80
8 - Mc Mysterious(T.Laib) 4.80 3.00
7 - Versailles Park(G.Villegas) 2.80
Quin 1-8 24.00 Tri 1-8-7 133.00
Tri 4-1-1 293.40 Winning Time :1:36.2
Attendance: 7,894 Handle: \$786,203

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Lots of visitors for the weekend

I hope everyone had a great Labor Day weekend. Lincoln was a busy place — lots of people coming to Lincoln to get away from the crowds elsewhere.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Dennis had their families home for the weekend. They were Nancy of Albuquerque, her mother and a friend, and Mr. and Mrs. Roger Cooper and daughter Cassie of Roswell. They also visited with Mr. and Mrs. Lee Abbott.

LINCOLN TRAILS



BY ROSALIE DUNLAP

Betty Shrecengost and I attended the State Acequia Commission meeting in Santa Fe last Thursday.

Joe Amastep of El Paso was in Lincoln on Sunday. He had been in Roswell attending invitational soccer games. His son, David, was a member of the winning team — the El Paso Cathedral. The games were held at the DeBremmond stadium.

Mr. and Mrs. John Tiwald, Joanna and Jay of Albuquerque spent their weekend in Lincoln. Margy's mother, Julia Reidy, was suffering from a cold and was unable to come.

Our new snack shop, Lagados, is now open Thursday through Saturday and sometimes more. They serve snacks, baked goods and light meals. The owners are Louise and Leslie Thomas. Leslie also had the food concession during the recent polo games at San Patricio. She is one busy gal with lots of energy. John Thomas came home over the weekend to help his mother at Lagados. Leslie Thomas spent the weekend in Colorado.

The Lincoln County Republican Women met at the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo last week. County officials and courthouse employees also attended as guests of the club.

Among the business conducted was the election of Libby Babbcock as vice president. Vice President Genevieve Sewell had to resign due to health reasons. Genevieve and her husband plan on moving to El Paso to be nearer to their doctors. We wish you well Genevieve and thanks for your dedication to the Lincoln County Republican Women.

The La Junta Club met at the San Patricio Senior Citizens Center. The program was decorating flower pots, conducted by Mollie Mason of Capitan. Dates for club members to remember are Achievement Day on Sept. 19, the quilt show in Carrizozo on Sept. 27 and the state meeting in Silver City Oct. 26-29, as well as the regular meeting Sept. 18.

The Lincoln County Historical Society held its quar-

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"There's not a lot of production now, though at one time that's what the valley was known for."

Monroy Montes, orchard owner



Varieties of valley-grown apples are sold by the bag at the Glencoe Fruit Stand. Cleo Montes oversees the store, where people can buy fruit directly from the orchard.

Toni K. Laxson/Ruidoso News



Monroy Montes examines apples from his Glencoe orchard, which produced its best crop in 11 years. The fourth-generation orchard grower has seen both the industry and the style of life change over the past few decades.

Toni K. Laxson/Ruidoso News

Apple orchards grow fewer amid pressures

BY TONI K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Monroy Montes is resigned about probably being the last in his family to make a living from his 150-year-old orchard in the Rio Ruidoso Valley.

"There's not a lot of production now, though at one time that's what the valley was known for," said Montes, a fourth generation orchard owner as well as the chairman of the Lincoln County Commission.

In recent decades, orchard growers along the Rio Ruidoso and Hondo valleys have "died or quit and their sons have gotten better jobs ... And you can't blame them," Montes said.

Only a handful of orchard growers now remain in the region, which once proliferated with primarily apple crops, though peaches, cherries, pears and plums also are grown here.

"I would have to believe that as many as 60 percent are no longer in business," Montes said. "The orchards are still there but (the owners) are making their living as carpenters, in Alamogordo at the Air Force base."

Just 30 years ago, the orchards were still thriving, with markets in El Paso, Mexico and locally, Montes said.

"I remember people coming from as far as Dallas," he said. "They are really good apples."

But crop failures, labor costs and a poor return on investment have turned the appeal of orchard growing locally, despite its deep-rooted tradition for families such as the Montes.

In 1850, Montes' great-grandfather first moved to the valley and put the family into the orchard business — long before New Mexico became a state.

In the 1960s, Montes and his family lived and worked together closely on the orchard.

"We were raised like the Waltons. See, my grandfather used to live right here," Montes said, pointing to one of the homes bordering the orchard. "It was the 1960s, but we lived like it was the 1930s."

Now, Montes works the orchard mostly by himself. This year, however, he has hired a teen-ager to help him pick fruit. His orchard is producing its best apple crop in

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At 4, she's already a live wire on the beauty pageant circuit

BY JULIE BAXTER
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

With more beauty queen titles than years under her belt, Corey Jo Cattedra is proving that accomplishment doesn't necessarily come with age.

Just 4 years old, Corey has won five local and state beauty contests, as well as having met some influential people.

This week she is in Santa Fe at the New Mexico State Fair taking part in the parade as New Mexico Ciderella. While in Santa Fe, she will also mug for the camera with none other than Gov. Gary Johnson.

The crown Corey has already won includes 1996-97 Miss Junior Ruidoso Petite, 1997 Miss Darling Dim-

ples, 1997 princess and first-place winner for beauty in the Kid's Alley event, 1997-98 Otero County Petite Tot and 1997-98 New Mexico State Ciderella pageant overall photogenic tot winner and one of the top 10 finalists. She also took home talent and photogenic trophies in the 1997-98 New Mexico and Texas Showcase.

Corey recently returned from California, where she competed in the Junior America Talent Competition. The youngest participant in the event, she took second place despite competing against boys and girls nearly twice her age. While in California, Corey got her chance to perform in front of some of the top casting agents in Los Angeles and also read for a part in a Crest toothpaste commercial.

Her participation in the Cinderel-

la pageant system prohibited her from competing in this year's Junior America pageant, but since being crowned Ruidoso Junior America Queen for 1997-98, she will be able to compete in next year's state and national Junior America events.

She takes baton twirling, tap, jazz, ballet and Irish dancing lessons at Dance 'N Twirl in Alamogordo and performs at numerous community events in Alamogordo and Ruidoso.

The little beauty has big dreams that go beyond toothy smiles and darling dimples, though.

"When Corey grows up she wants to be the next Shirley Temple and be on Broadway," said Corey's mother, Joann. "Corey is also interested in medicine, thanks to her family doctor, Ray Seidel."

Corey devotes some of her time to bring animals to homebound people and nursing home residents.

"I would like to introduce this program to Ruidoso," Joann added. "It has been very successful and beneficial to many people. It has worked in many big cities around the country."

Some may wonder if such a young girl is prepared for the flashy world of beauty pageants, but Joann said she doesn't push Corey to do anything she doesn't want to do.

"I think parents should encourage their children to be anything they want to be and try to help them by letting them get involved with many different activities," she said. "I would also like to say congratulations and thank you to Corey for being herself and reaching for her dreams."



Corey Jo Cattedra

WEDDINGS ENGAGEMENTS



Sanchez and Turner

Turner and Sanchez will wed Sept. 13

Amber Turner and Freddy Sanchez will be married in a Sept. 13 ceremony.

Turner, the daughter of Jerry and Peggy Turner of Ruidoso, and Sanchez, son of Joe Sanchez and Tina Ritter of Ruidoso, are both 1994 graduates of Ruidoso High School.

The two will be wed in a 2 p.m. Sept. 13 ceremony at the Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount. A reception will be held after the wedding at the Ruidoso Downs Senior Citizens Center.

Youths return from Paris trip

Fifty-three young people from New Mexico and their adult sponsors returned from World Youth Day in Paris, where they heard Pope John Paul II.

They joined more than a million people from around the world in the religious experience.

"Our youth were impressive in their cooperation and ability to adapt to some difficult situations," said Bishop Ricardo Ramirez, who led the pilgrimage from the Diocese of Las Cruces.

The local youths represented Ruidoso, San Patricio, Roswell, Silver City, Las Cruces, Hatch, Garfield and Dexter.

The message heard by the youth of the world was "be faithful to Christ and to the church, to take their special place in the creation of a better world and to build a civilization of love," Ramirez said.

APPLES: "The industry is changing"

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more than a decade — about 2,000 bushels, he estimated.

Even so, he won't necessarily make more money. Half of the apples won't meet current aesthetic requirements because of hail or other damage to the fruit. Many of his apples simply will not be picked unless he can sell them.

He has basically two markets — his fruit stand and sales to other vendors and peddlers. The apples available in local grocery stores come from Washington, Utah or Idaho, Montes said.

"I think it's kind of a changing industry," he said. "We have had to diversify and sell a lot of other things. We try to sell any product that is New Mexico agriculturally related."

His store, the Glencoe Fruit Stand on U.S. Highway 70 on the way to Roswell, sells local firewood, honey from Artesia, peanuts from Portales and strings of red chile peppers, called ristras, from Las Cruces.

He also sells bags of his peaches, pears and plums, though apples make up most of his produce. Bags of apples sell for about 30 to 40 cents a pound and feature the following varieties: golden delicious, macintosh, red delicious, Jonathan, winesap and Rome beauty. Planted but not yet producing are gala and Fuji apple varieties, Montes said.

Diversification helps Montes survive the constant crop failures due to weather.

"The weather has been getting completely too erratic. Too wet, too dry, too windy, too cold — it's always too something," Montes said.

Even three years ago, for instance, when the weather was perfect, persistent winds prevented bees from pollinating the crop, he said. One year ago, hail damage was so severe it almost took a few trees along with the fruit.

"I'm not complaining, don't get me wrong. I love every minute of it," he said.

The orchard looks very different than it did 100-plus years ago, or even 50 years ago, though one 100-year-old tree still exists, Montes said.

"This is the way the entire orchard used to be," he said, pointing to a full-size apple tree reaching 30 to 40 feet high.

He and his father replaced the large apple trees planted in 1941 with dwarf versions of the same variety, or cut the large trees back to become dwarf versions themselves, Montes said.

"It reduces labor costs ... they are easier to pick," he explained.

Besides picking, Montes also has to spray, prune and water his 1,500 trees. He spends about \$3,000 to \$4,000 on the trees, and often struggles to make a profit on fruit sales when the crops fail.

"But again, if you have a good year, but can't sell it all, what good will it do you?" Montes said.

Adjacent to his orchard is a stand of apple trees belonging to a cousin. The trees, a large variety, have obvious infestation problems and haven't been pruned for some time. His cousins have other jobs in Ruidoso and don't have the time to work on their orchard, he said.

"It's a tough way to make a living," Montes said.

"The weather has been getting completely too erratic. Too wet, too dry, too windy, too cold — it's always too something."

Montes Montes,
orchard owner

Summer's rain has brought unwanted plants

Although grasses are greener and wildflowers are growing everywhere with the increased rainfall this summer, other less desirable plants also are thriving.

"With more precipitation, we have more plants growing, so we have more weeds," said Keith Duncan, a brush and weed specialist with New Mex-

ico State University's cooperative extension service. "With a wet year, we also tend to notice the brushy plants more, because they're growing faster."

Unusual growth in weeds and brush can cause problems for farmers and ranchers. This year, weeds are coming up that are unfamiliar to ranchers or have not been seen in many



Members of the two local Girl Scout troops are honored for outstanding accomplishments.

Courtesy photo

Gold Awards go to 8 Girl Scouts

Eight local Girl Scouts have been awarded the Girls Scout Gold Award.

Rebecca Conley, Elizabeth Flores, Lori Genta, Bay Hirschfeld, Lily Walstad, Chloe Wierwille, Melissa Lucero and Amanda McClendon, girls from two Ruidoso-area senior troops, are the recipients of the highest achievement awarded to Girl Scouts.

They received their awards in an Aug. 19 ceremony at Holy Mount Episcopal Church.

The Gold Award symbolizes outstanding accomplishments in leadership, community service, career planning and personal development. Scouts must meet individual requirements, culminating in a special community project to receive the award.

Troop 60004 and leader Vicki Conley hosted an "empty bowls" dinner for their community service project. The

senior Girl Scouts went to local elementary school classrooms, teaching and assisting fourth grade students as they made 250 bowls for the dinner. The bowls, along with food donated by local restaurants, were then used at the dinner, which raised more than \$1,400 for the Lincoln County Food Bank.

Troop 60005 and leader Cheryl Lucero's project was beautifying the landscape and giving kids a safe place to play.

The project included landscaping at the Ruidoso Gymnastics Association, a non-profit organization dedicated to the youth of Lincoln County. The troop also created a "safe zone" for dropping children off and picking them up as part of the project.

The gold award was established in 1960. Since then, only 28 Girl Scouts have been honored by the Zia Council with the distinction. Nationwide,

more than 19,000 girls have earned the award.

Gold pendants were presented to each winner by Peg Crim, president of the Zia Girl Scout Council. Other visiting dignitaries included Linda Bentley of the Zia Girl Scout Council and Marth Grassie, chairwoman of the Gold Award Committee.

Each girl also received a letter of congratulations from Elinor J. Ferdon, national president of Girls Scouts of the United States of America, and Mary Rose Main, national executive director of Girls Scouts U.S.A. They also received a letter from President Bill Clinton and first lady Hillary Clinton. The letter praised girls' achievement, which "represents a significant contribution to America's great tradition of community service."



Ruidoso police Officer Luis Torres pulls on one of many lightweight uniform shirts recently donated to the Police Department by a group of midtown merchants.

Midtown merchants' gift to police fits them like T

A group of midtown merchants recently donated more than \$400 worth of lightweight summer shirts to Ruidoso police officers.

Ann Bolton, owner of the J. Roberts clothing store in midtown Ruidoso, said she initiated the donation after learning that officers had two choices: wear the heavy, long-sleeved shirts they are issued, or purchase summer uniform shirts themselves.

"We bought them because

they would be cooler walking their patrols on busy days and weekends," Bolton said.

She called a few other businesses in the midtown area, and together they purchased white, short-sleeved shirts for officers.

Contributors besides J. Roberts were Fentons Gallery, Sierra Cleaners, Imports Etc., Wild, Wild West, La Lorraine and Noisy Water Artwear, Bolton said.

years.

"We've had weeds showing up that even the best of us had to go back to the books and look up," Duncan said.

Cocklebur, filaree, pingue and several yellow-flowered plants from the sunflower family are some of the weeds popping up.

Unlike weeds, these woody plants are perennials with deep root systems. For the most effective control, herbicide treatments should be matched to specific brush problems, Duncan said.

Along fences and in scattered stands of brush, Duncan recommends a high volume foliar spray. This involves spraying the plants with herbicide until dripping wet, usually in late spring or early summer.

Basal bark treatments can be used on smooth-barked plants with less than a six-inch diameter. The lower 15 to 20 inches of the stem should be wet with the herbicide solution, but not to the point of runoff. This technique is very accurate and can be used any time of the year except early spring.

On smaller, smooth-barked plants, herbicide solutions should be applied with a straight stream nozzle in a six-inch band around the stem, Duncan said. This band should be 12 to 24 inches above the ground.

When brush is very dense and covers a large area, an aerial broadcast spray works best. While plant mortality rates may be lower than with individual plant treatments, a larger area can be covered with less labor. Timing depends on the plant species.

DUNLAP: Do you remember the county fair in '53-'59?

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terly meeting at St. Joseph's church at Mesalero.

Ellyne Bigrope gave the history, culture and practices of the Mesaleros, and Brother Peter gave the history of the church and Father Braun, who built and is buried in the church. Among those attending was Bill Thorpe's history class from Eastern New Mexico Uni-

versity-Ruidoso.

The response to the fair project has been great. Thank you.

I still need to hear from those involved and get in contact with others. If there are any of you out there who have stories, pictures and information on someone who was involved in the years 1953-59 please let me know. It's going to be a year-long project to get all of this put together. And

thanks to those who have sent stories and pictures. One former 4-H member sent some slides that Ralph had taken of the Achievement Day.

I wonder how many others he sent to 4-H members during that time.

My husband Ralph and I were among the friends who helped celebrate Marry Ellen and Franklin McKay's eighth wedding anniversary Sunday.

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SOCIAL CALENDAR

WHAT'S HAPPENING

MUSIC

Winkler Music Park - R&B Review
Noon-7 p.m. every Sunday across from the Ruidoso Downs race track. Music starts at 1 p.m. Admission \$10 per carload or \$5 per person. Bring your lawn chairs, blankets, ice chest. For more information call 257-3506.

ZZ Top in concert
Wednesday, Sept. 17, at Tingley Coliseum, Albuquerque. Tickets \$28.75. For more information call (505) 265-1791.

Ruidoso Pops Concert
8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Sept. 26-27, at the historic Old San Ysidro Church, Corrales. An evening of music from opera to jazz. All of the professional talent is donated with proceeds to benefit the Corrales Historical Society. Tickets \$12.50. (505) 898-5695.

The Brechtano String Quartet, El Paso Pro Musica series
7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 27, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, in the Fox Fine Arts Recital Hall, University of Texas at El Paso. Acclaimed for their passionate music making, one of the country's finest young string quartets performs the season opener. Tickets \$14 for adults, \$10 for seniors and military, \$5 for full-time students with ID. (505) 833-9400

Halle to America, Otero County Community Concert Series
7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 6, at the Flickinger Center in Alamogordo. The 1997-1998 season opens with a joyous celebration of American popular music from the first half of the 20th century. Admission to community concerts is by season membership only, single concert tickets are not available. An adult membership is \$35, student membership is \$15, and a family membership (two adults and their children) is \$85. (505) 437-8810, 437-0494 or 437-2606

etc

Land and People of Mainland China and Hong Kong
7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 4 and 11, in the executive board room the convention center at the Inn of the Mountain Gods. Dr. T. Karl H. Wuerschling, "Doc," narrates this free slide presentation. Doc has toured mainland China and Hong Kong for fifteen consecutive years.

Women and Investing Today
6:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 4, in the Innsbrook Party Room, 103 Innsbrook Dr., Ruidoso. Carole Wiberg and Judy Parrish of N.M. Financial Investment Services will present the free seminar. Seating is limited to 30. Please call 257-9256 or 1-800-258-2640 to make reservations.

Disney on Ice Presents Toy Story
Friday through Sunday, Sept. 5-7 at Tingley Coliseum in Albuquerque, with matinee and evening shows. Tickets: \$9.50, \$12.50 and \$14.50. Call 1-800-905-3315 for information. Ticket price does not include admission to the N.M. State Fair.

St. Eleanor Church Silent Auction and Enchilada Dinner
4-8 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 6, at St. Eleanor Parish Hall, 120 Junction Rd., Ruidoso. An evening of food, fun and great buys for the whole family. Adult \$5, children 4-11 years \$3.

"Freedoms of Abstinence"
7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 9, Cynthia Cooper with the Crisis Pregnancy Center Prevention Services will meet with parents in the multi-purpose room of the Captain High School. Wednesday, Sept. 10, she will speak to the students and staff at the high school. 357-2238

Blood Drive, LCMC Auxiliary
8:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Friday, Sept. 12, at Gateway Church of Christ, 415 Suddeth Drive, Ruidoso.

Parent/Child Retreats, Fort Lone Tree Christian Children's Camp
September and October - special fun-filled weekend for 8-14 year old boys and girls and their parents in an old western fort setting. Friday evening through Sunday lunch, 3 days, 2 nights and 5 meals. Father/daughter Sept. 12-14 or 26-

28; father/son Sept. 19-21; mother/daughter, Oct. 24-26. Cost \$50 for the adult, \$35 for the child. (505) 354-4265

Build I Class
10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 20, at the White Mountain School of Applied Healing, 1204 Mechem, Ruidoso. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a light lunch. Cost \$95. For information or reservations call 258-3046.

Christmas Fantasy Applications
Applications are now being accepted for Christmas Fantasy Arts and Crafts Fair to be held Thanksgiving weekend in the Roswell Civic Center, 900 N. Main, Roswell. For more information contact the show promoters at (505) 622-0985.

Healing Circles
7 p.m. every Wednesday at White Mountain School of Applied Healing, 1204 Mechem, Ruidoso. Drumming, guided meditation, chanting, story creation, energy healing. For information call 258-3046.

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

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

clubs/meetings

Scenic Byways Committee
2 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 3, at the Ruidoso Village Hall.

LCMC Auxiliary
9:30 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 3, general meeting in the hospital conference room. 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 9, luncheon at the Texas Club with installation of officers for the coming year.

Ruidoso Middle School ABC Parents
5:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 4, in the Ruidoso Middle School Library. All interested parents are urged to attend.

Nogal Presbyterian Church
Adult Sunday School: 10 a.m.; worship 11 a.m.

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. Thurs.: Kids Club (grades 1-5) 3:30.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST
Seventh Day Adventist
207 Parkway, Agua Fria, Ruidoso Downs, 378-4161. Pastor Rick Lytle 443-1904. Assoc. Pastor Wilbur Morrow, 422-1206. 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 Suddeth 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: Captain youth group 7 p.m. at the fair building. Thursday: Adult Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

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

Christ Community Fellowship
Captain, Highway 380 West, 354-2458. Ed Vinson, Pastor. Sunday school, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday worship, 10:30 a.m.

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

Centro Cristiano Casa de Oracion
Ruidoso Senior Citizen Center (area library), 258-4875. Pastor Carlos Carreon. Miceles: 6 p.m. reunion general. Domingo: 10 a.m. reunion de oracion; 6 p.m. reunion general.

Living Word Church
441 Mechem, 257-3470. Pastors: Terry and Suzanne Lewis. Sunday: Renewal services Sunday 10:30 a.m. & 5 p.m. Wednesday: Intercessory prayer/noon mid-week services 7 p.m.

Peace Chapel
Interdenominational (ULC)
Alto Nord, 336-7075. Jeanne Price. Pastor: Morning chapel: 6:50 a.m. (Sept. - June); Sunday Service: 11 a.m.

Ruidoso Word Church
Ruidoso Downs, 378-8464. Al and Mary Lane, Pastors. Sunday: Children's ministries 9:30 a.m.; worship 10:45 a.m.; Thursday: services 7 p.m.

Trinity Mountain Fellowship
Gavilan Canyon Road, 336-4213. Sunday: morning prayer 9 a.m.; Sunday school 9:30 a.m.; service 10:30 a.m.; Thursday: home Bible study 7 p.m.

Republican Party of Lincoln County
5:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 8, at K-Bobs, Hwy. 70, Ruidoso. Dinner at 6:15. Guest speaker will be Dr. Jim Miller, ENMU. Ruidoso: Board meeting at 4:30 p.m.

Annexation Ad Hoc Committee
9 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 9, at the Ruidoso Village Hall.

National Association of Retired Federal Employees
10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 9, at the Ruidoso Downs Senior Citizens Center. Berry McCright, Lincoln County home economist will be the guest speaker.

Ruidoso Village Council
6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 9, at the Ruidoso Village Hall.

Lincoln County Adult Singles Group
6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 9, no-host dinner at K-Bob's restaurant. Business and planning meeting for the month.

Capitan Extension Club (FCE)
9:30 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 10, at Jo Blazer's home. Bring dried flowers to work on floral and embossed notepaper or bring any unfinished projects to work on.

Ruidoso Federated Woman's Club
Noon Wednesday, Sept. 10. Past presidents and all lifetime members will be honored at the luncheon.

Library Board
Noon Wednesday, Sept. 10, at the Ruidoso Village Hall.

Eagle Creek Water Users Association
6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 10, at the Ruidoso Village Hall.

Capital Improvement Plan Advisory Committee - Special Meeting
1:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 11, at the Ruidoso Village Hall.

Arts and Film Board
4 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 11, at the Ruidoso Village Hall.

Extra Territorial Zoning Commission
6 p.m. Monday, Sept. 15, at the Ruidoso Village Hall.

Extra Territorial Zoning Authority
6:30 p.m. Monday, Sept. 15, at the Ruidoso Village Hall.

CLUBS

Alcoholics Anonymous
Meets at noon every Monday in the lower level of the Lincoln Tower (rear entrance), 1096 Mechem, Ruidoso. 258-3643

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.

Altruism 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, 257-5068

Alzheimer's Monthly Support Group
Meets the first Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at Ruidoso Care Center. 257-9071

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.

American Cancer Society of Lincoln County
Meets at noon every fourth Thursday in the Lincoln County Medical Center conference room. Jane Yowell, R.O. Box 2328, Ruidoso, NM 88345.

American Legion
Robert J. Hage, Post 79
Meets 7 p.m. the third Wednesday in the American Legion Building at U.S. Highway 70 and Spring Road in Ruidoso Downs. 257-5796

American Sewing Guild of NM
Neighborhood group meeting. 258-3895

B.R.O.E. No. 2086
Meets 7:30 p.m. the first and third Thursdays of every month in the Elks Lodge Building, Hwy. 70.

B.R.O. Does
Meets 7:30 p.m. the second and fourth Thursdays of every month in Does meet in the Elks Lodge Building, Hwy. 70.

Boy Scouts of America
Boy Scout Troop 59 meets at 7:30 p.m. Mondays at the Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount. 258-3417. Cub Scouts: Ruidoso pack meeting at 2 p.m. the third Sunday of every month.

Cancer Support Group
Meets 7 p.m. the third Thursday of each month at the Texas-New Mexico Power Company, 1100 Mechem, Ruidoso. 258-4882

Choir Group
Meets 6:45 p.m. Tuesdays at 1089 El Paso Road, Las Cruces. Possible car-pool. 258-5621

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

Community Friends of the Veterans 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 Suddeth Drive, Ruidoso. 257-5038

Daughters of the American Revolution
Meets at 11:30 a.m. on the second Thursday of the month. Sept. through May: 258-4593 or 257-6974.

Disabled American Veterans Co-Curry Chapter 23
Meets at 7 p.m. the first Tuesday of

Planning and Zoning Commission
2 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 16, at the Ruidoso Village Hall.

Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority
2 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 16, at the Ruidoso Downs Village Hall.

Parks and Recreation Committee
6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 17, at the Ruidoso Village Hall.

Airport Advisory Board
6:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18, at the Ruidoso Village Hall.

Capitan Public Library Board
7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 24, at the library.

Capital Improvement Plan Advisory Committee
1:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, at the Ruidoso Village Hall.

library

Capitan Public Library
106 S. Lincoln Ave., next to the village hall. Registration is free. The library is open 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, with Wednesday evening hours from 5:30 to 7:30. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 13, yard sale at the library. The Library Book Plate Contest has been extended to Oct. 1st.

Ruidoso Public Library
Preschool Story Hour: 2-3 p.m. on Wednesdays and 10-11 a.m. Thursdays. Fun for 3- to 6-year-olds, no sign-ups and it's free.

movies

Sierra Cinema
721 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso, 257-9444. "Excess Baggage," "Cop Land," "Leave it to Beaver," "Conspiracy Theory." Call the theater for show times and ratings.

theater

I Hate Hamlet
Thursday through Saturday, Sept. 4-6, 11-13 and 18-20 at the Ruidoso Little Theater, The Castle, Hwy. 70, Ruidoso. A young Shakespearean actor is haunted by the

eccentric and bawdy ghost of John Barrymore, who tries to advise him in matters of romance and drama. Tickets are \$7 for adults, \$5 for seniors/children 12 and under.

parks/recreation

Pitchin' in the Pines
1 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 6-7 at the Salazar Arena, Mescalero. Events and fees: open bull riding \$40, \$300 added; novice bull riding \$45, \$200 added; steer riding 12 and under \$25, \$100 added; mutton bustin 6 years and under \$5. For entries call 378-8185 or 258-8043. Spectator admission: adults \$4, children \$2, under 6 years free.

Golf Shamble
United Way of Lincoln County
1:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 13, at the Sierra Blanca Links golf course. A large number of door prizes will be given away. 257-5330

Fantrackers
101 Carrizo Canyon Road, Ruidoso, 257-3275.

Inn of the Mountain Gods Arcade
Video arcade, pool tables. The Inn also has tennis courts, horseback riding and fishing. The arcade is located on Carrizo Canyon Road, Mescalero Apache Reservation, 257-5141.

Rancho Sosegado
Trout Fishing/Picnics
Fishing and picnicking at 5 Nogal Canyon Road, Benit, 24 miles W. of Ruidoso on Hwy. 70, 671-4580.

Ruidoso Athletic Club
415 Wingfield, 257-4900.

Ruidoso Bowling Center
Saturday nights "Rock 'n Bowl" at 1202 Mechem Drive, 258-3557

Ruidoso Municipal Skateboard Park
White Mountain Drive, Ruidoso.

Women's Pool League
7 p.m. Sundays at the Ruidoso Bowling Center. For information and sign-up call Melissa at 257-3557.

Submit your calendar information to Louise by calling 257-4001 or faxing to 257-7053.

CHURCHES

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Apache Indian Assembly of God
Mescalero, 671-7477. David Pastor, pastor. Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.; Sunday worship: 10:45 a.m. 7 p.m. Wednesday services: 7 p.m.

First Assembly of God
El Paso Road, Ruidoso. Rev. Bill Leonard, Pastor. Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.; Sunday morning worship: 10:45 a.m. (includes children's church); Sunday evening praise: 6 p.m.; Wednesday family night: 7 p.m.

First Baptist Church
Carrizo, Hayden Smith, Pastor. Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.; Sunday worship: 11 a.m.; 7:15 p.m.; Church training: 6:30 p.m. Sunday

First Baptist Church
420 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso. Tim Gilliland, Pastor. Sunday: Communion, praise & worship 8:30 a.m.; Bible study/Sunday school 9:30 a.m.; traditional worship 11 a.m.; evening prayer and worship 6 p.m. Wednesday: Prayer and discipleship time 6:30 p.m.; Youth Bible study & fellowship 6:30 p.m.

First Baptist Church
Ruidoso Downs. David Jordan, Pastor. Sunday: General assembly 9:30 a.m.; Worship hour 11 a.m.; Sunday school 9:30 a.m.; Evening worship: 6 p.m. Wednesday: Prayer meeting 6:30 p.m.

First Baptist Church
Tinele, Bill Jones, Pastor. Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.; Sunday worship: 11 a.m.

Iglesia Bautista Vida Eterna
430 Mechem Drive, Luis E. Gomez, Pastor. Domingo: Escuela Dominical 10 a.m.; Culto de Predicacion, 11 a.m.; Culto de Predicacion 6 p.m. Miercoles: Escuela Biblica 7 p.m.

Mescalero Baptist Mission
Mescalero. Sunday: Sunday school 10 a.m.; Worship 11 a.m.; 7:15 p.m.; Training union 6:30 p.m. Wednesday services 6:30 p.m.

Ruidoso Baptist Church
126 Church Drive, Palmer Gateway. Wayne Jones, Pastor. Randall Widener, Associate Pastor. Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.; Sunday worship: 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible study: 7 p.m.

Trinity Southern Baptist Church
Capitan (south on Highway 48), 354-3119. Floyd Goodloe, Pastor. Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.; Sunday worship: 11 a.m.; AWANA Wed.: 6:30 p.m.

BAHA'I FAITH

Baha'i Faith
Meeting in members' homes. 257-2987 or 336-7739

CATHOLIC

St. Eleanor Catholic Church
Ruidoso, 257-2330. Reverend Richard Catasack, 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 Francisco 8 a.m.

Santa Rita Catholic Church
Carrizo, 648-2853. Father Dave Berke, Pastor. Sunday Mass: 6:30 p.m.; Sunday Mass: 11 a.m.; Tuesday Adult Bible Study: 6 p.m.

St. Theresa Catholic Church
Corrales. Sunday Mass: 6 p.m.

St. Joseph Apache Mission
Mescalero. Father Tom Herbst, Pastor. Sunday Mass: 10:30 a.m.

Our Lady of Guadalupe
Berke, 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, Vern Edmondson, Interim Pastor. Sunday School: 10:12/Adult: 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m.; Chancel Choir: Wednesday 7 p.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Church of Christ
Capitan - Highway 48. Les Enwood, 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
4115 Suddeth, Ruidoso, 257-4381. Jimmy Spontano, Minister. Sunday Bible study: 9:30 a.m.; Sunday worship: 10:30 a.m. 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible study: 7 p.m.

Church of Jesus Christ LDS
Ruidoso Branch, North on Hwy. 48. Between mile markers 14/15, 336-4389 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
Glenox. Sunday: Holy Eucharist 9 a.m.

St. Matthias Episcopal Chapel
Carrizo, 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 Francisco. Sunday School: 10 a.m.; Evening services: 7:30 p.m. Sunday.

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: Minister's School 7:30 p.m.; Service Meet: 8:20 p.m.

Congregacion Hispana de los Testigos de Jehova
106 Alpine Village Road, 258-3659, 258-3204. Domingo: Reunion Publica 10 a.m.; Estudio de la Biblia 10:50 a.m. Lun.: Escuela 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
Hill Road, 258-4191, 257-5296. Kevin L. Krohn, Pastor. Sunday: Worship 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m.; Sunday School & Adult Bible Class 9:30 a.m. Wednesday: 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
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Learning starts before school with help of Parents as Teachers

 BY JULIE BAXTER
RUIDOSO NEWS EDUCATION WRITER

Parents are a child's first and most influential teachers. That's the philosophy of the Lincoln County Parents as Teachers program as it tries to educate those early educators.

The program, which began serving families in 1994, is trying to expand its scope beyond the Ruidoso area to all of Lincoln County. The goal, according to Parents as Teachers Coordinator Cathy Overdorf, is to serve 150 families in every Lincoln County community and Mescalero.

"The program tries to be a resource for parents and parent education," Overdorf said. "We're not trying to tell parents how to raise their children. We're more of a resource for parents of all socioeconomic, culture and ethnic groups."

The voluntary program, which is free to parents of children age birth to 5, includes one-on-one visits with trained child development specialists, free developmental screenings, and group meetings on a variety of child raising topics. Overdorf said the Parents as Teachers program can also serve as a clearinghouse of information for parents. Whether they're wondering

why their 2-year-old has so many ear infections or if behavior is normal for a certain age, Overdorf said she can track down the right resources and put parents in touch with the right contacts.

"Ultimately we'd like this program to be the one where anybody with questions about early childhood can call," Overdorf said.

Funded by an \$80,000 grant from the Department of Children, Youth and Families, which pays salaries and the cost of parent conferences, the program housed in a modular building at the Nob Hill Early Childhood Center campus may be the first step in a successful academic career.

"It really encourages growth and development in intellectual, social and physical skills," Overdorf said. "Research shows that children stimulated in that way do better academically."

She pointed to studies that say the same.

For example, the Second Wave Study of the Parents as Teachers Program conducted by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. In that study, researchers found that, at age 3, children participating in Parents as Teachers demonstrated more advanced

achievement and language ability than their counterparts and demonstrated more positive aspects of social development. It also showed that parents were more knowledgeable about child-rearing practices and child development than their counterparts.

"One to three years of age is when the brain is developing," Overdorf said. "It's when we can make the most impact. Academically, kids in the program, on the whole, do better. Parents involved can learn more about their child's development, and tend to have better relationships with schools."

With Overdorf and certified parent educator Adriana Castro manning the program full time, and other volunteers pitching in part time, the program is poised to look toward the future. Some of the things Overdorf would like to see develop include a lending library of resource material for parents and play groups for same-age children.

"I wish I would have had a program like this to help me with my kids," said Overdorf, whose children are already grown.

For more information about the Parents as Teachers program, call Overdorf or Castro at 257-3157.

And the winner is ...



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Eastern New Mexico University-Ruidoso recently awarded its first Hispanic Cultural Pride Scholarship to Erica Sanchez, 20, (middle) pictured here with ENMU-Ruidoso Director Jim Miller and scholarship director Dolores Rue. Sanchez, the daughter of Thurman Sanchez and Bonnie Rue, is attending her second year at ENMU-Ruidoso. She plans to transfer to New Mexico State University in January, where she will major in criminal justice. Her career goal is to go on to law school and become a criminal attorney. This is the third year the Hispanic Cultural Pride Scholarship has been given to local students, but the first time the money has been awarded through ENMU-Ruidoso.

Hondo schools get \$400,000 in state money

 BY JULIE BAXTER
RUIDOSO NEWS EDUCATION WRITER

The Hondo Valley Public School District has been awarded \$400,000 by the Public School Capital Outlay Council.

The award, announced Thursday, is part of the state lottery money allocated for public school projects. Hondo plans to use the money to build two more classrooms for its elementary school.

Superintendent Barbara Casey said increased enrollment at the elementary is causing overcrowding.

Although final enrollment figures for the 1997-98 school year are not totaled yet, Casey said the district already has 12 more students than it did this time last year with more coming in. All of the Hondo elementary classrooms except

fifth grade are too full, Casey continued.

"It's very uncomfortable for kids to work in close quarters," she said. "Our classrooms are half the size of standard classrooms. Even with 12 students they are too crowded."

The \$400,000 is the first lottery money the Hondo School District has received. Casey said the district applied for the money in October, which was followed by an on-site visit from members of the Public School Capital Outlay Council this spring.

Criteria those visitors evaluated included the district's property wealth, the growth of its student population and how critical the need for more space is, said Steve Burrell, director of capital outlay for the state Department of Education.

"Districts have to be bonded to 75 percent of capacity and demonstrate a critical need

that must be met despite the use of available funds (to qualify)," Burrell said. "It's kind of a last-ditch effort to raise money for specific projects."

The classroom addition is part of a five-year facility improvement plan in Hondo. The first stage of that plan, which is slated for completion in 2002, is a library addition already under way. The space will house a new computer laboratory, a multi-purpose conference room, handicap accessible restrooms, a stage and a small kitchen.

Over the money from a bond issue passed in February was used to start the library project, Casey said. Now the \$400,000 from the state will be thrown into the mix to finish the library, build the new classrooms and make repairs to the district's agriculture building, which has been damaged by flooding.

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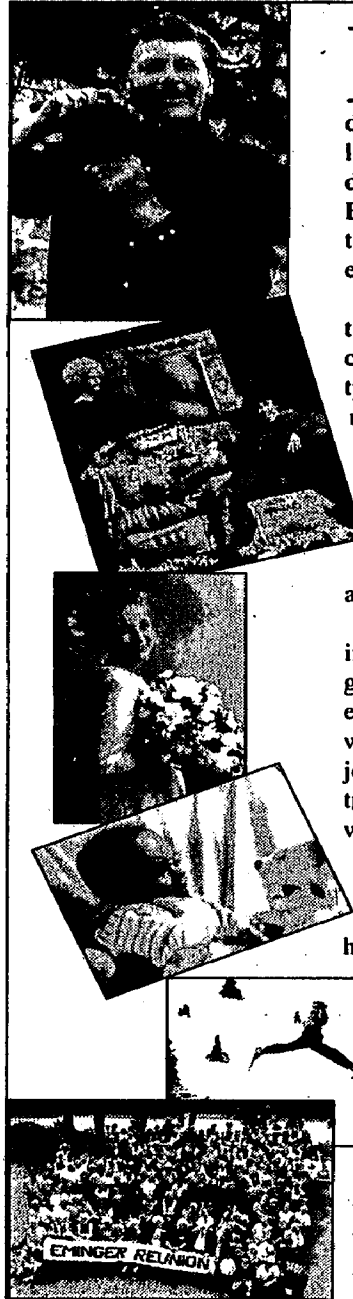
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Ruidoso has so much beauty year round, it provides Bill Riggles with many favorite backdrops for his studio. He is not confined to artificial props or lighting. When photographing people outdoors they feel less stress and restrictions. Bill uses his years of experience and expertise to create splendid images of special events.

"If a tree falls in the forest and no one is there to hear it, does it make a sound?" Of course it does, but no one has the opportunity to appreciate the tremendous sound it made. Photographs can take a fragment of time and immortalize it to share with others. Images contain a bit of magic in them. Most of us photograph our memorable moments, but a trained eye can distinguish between what is trivial and what is an art.

At the age of 9, Bill remembers sitting in front of the television pretending to photograph images on the screen. His grandmother bought a roll of film for a present and he went around the yard capturing his first subjects. So anxious was he to see the results, he tried see-sawing the film in a sink full of water. His 10th birthday present was a hobby kit for developing and contact printing black and white film. A family friend gave him an old enlarger and he has been hooked ever since.

He read everything, studied every good picture and bugged every photographer he came across. Bill recalls, "So many photographers I talked to when I was little would say, I used to be a professional but I got burned out on it. I would think, yea I know how it is when you have to do something, it takes away all the fun. I never wanted that to happen to my photog-

raphy, so for years I never wanted to be a professional."

The 19 year native of south Florida moved to Ruidoso shortly after graduating high school. Like so many others residents in Ruidoso he says, "I got out to seek a place where I could feel myself think. I love looking at the world from up here. We sit in the layer of atmosphere where clouds live."

Bill's full time photographic career began in 1989 after 12 years with the U.S. Forest Service, Smokey Bear Hot Shots. He has since produced an impressive display of 11 x 16 prints showing the life of a wildland firefighter. The USDA and BLM has used them in youth education programs and are currently on display at the Elk Horn Pub at Sudderth and Mechem.

His shop and color darkroom are located at 508 Mechem, below the Title Company's new offices. He can photograph anything or anybody anywhere. Inspired by the work in National Geographic, he studies the photographs of the world's best photographers to uncover the techniques used. He says, "If you look carefully, reflections, shadows and effects reveal many things about how photographs are produced. I imagine myself in the shoes of the photographer and what they had to go through."

Photographing families is his forte, and shooting on location gives variety to his images. People feel comfortable at home and the backgrounds tell a more intimate story about their lives. Kids and infants are more at ease and can be photographed while playing and interacting with each other. Most impressive, are the mountain scenes "I photograph a lot of reunions here and I love it when families return home with photos of them standing on a mountain ledge or with massive fir trees behind them." In addition to shooting the group, Bill will include individ-

ual families and candid of the kids as they get distracted.

But, Mr. Riggles will tackle most assignments he encounters. He has the equipment needed to do extreme closeups and portable lights for fill flash outdoors in remote places. He can even fire his camera and/or flashes remotely from 200 feet away.

Other endeavors include, weddings, bronzes, jewelry, pottery, pets, architecture, sports, advertising and landscapes. He grins "let me see did I forget anything?"

When the New York Post, needed a photographer to accompany their writer, Dianne Stallings recommended him. His photograph was on the front page the next day. Bill recalls "It was an investigative report on Sam Donaldson, we were ran off the ranch and as we were leaving the Lincoln County Sheriff was coming up the road. The reporter jumped out of his car with notebook in hand and a million questions, all at once. This sheriff got one earful, waved and drove on as the reporter tried to pursue notebook in hand. I was following in my truck with a telephoto set up, stuck it out the window and clicked. Paparazzi can go too far. But credible news stories, I love it."

More on the mellow side, you can find him teaching photography at ENMU, or ski instructing at Ski Apache Disabled Skiers Program.

Bill appreciates his local customers and says, "Let me thank every one who has given me the opportunity to photograph for them." His next goal is to attract more assignments out of town. They may include, photographing New Mexico for outside publications or travel to who knows where.

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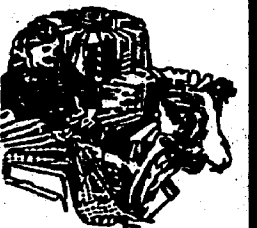
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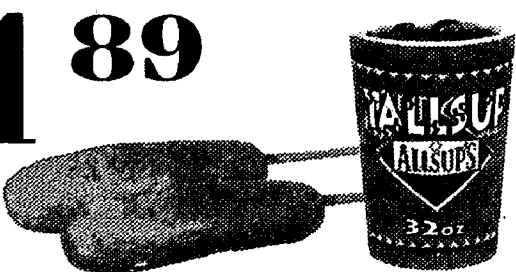
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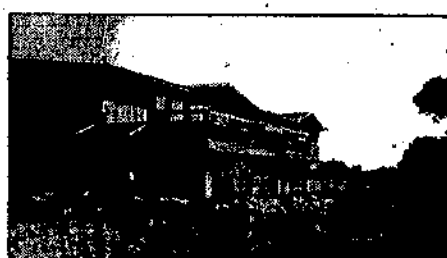


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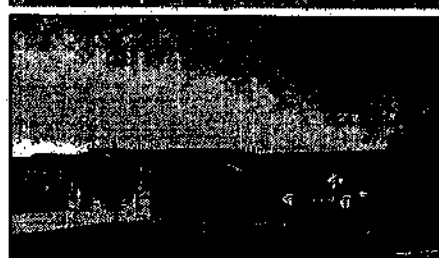
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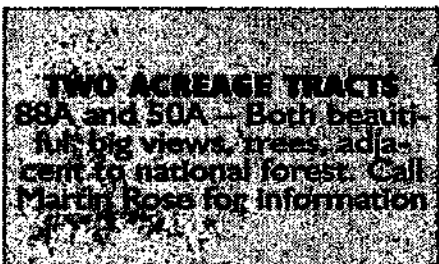
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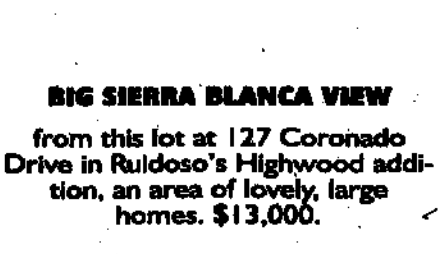


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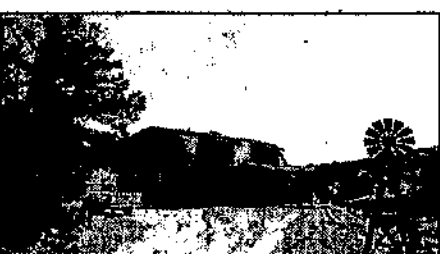
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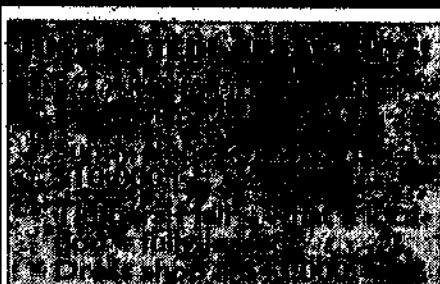


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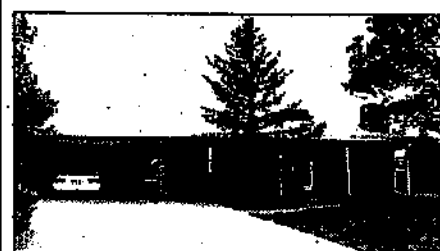
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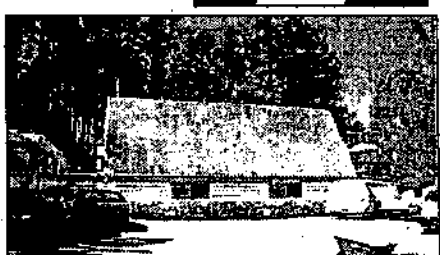
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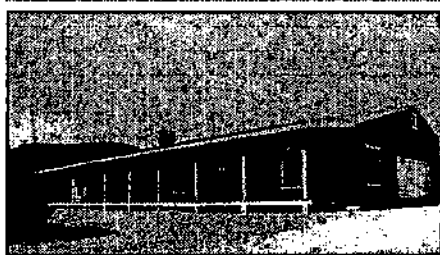
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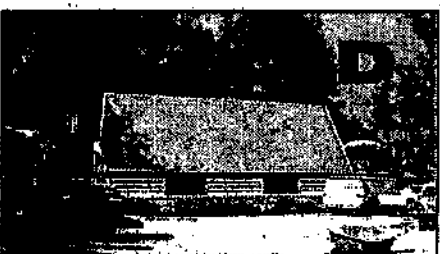
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