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Looking back at 1996

Severe drought and wildfires followed by pounding rains kept weather in forefront

Police locate body in Lincoln Forest

State police found a body in the Lincoln County forest late Thursday afternoon and were trying to identify it.

Police were tipped off by out-of-state police Dec. 27 that someone may have been murdered in November and left in the Boy Scout Mountain area, said Lt. Bill Bower. The mountain is located in the Lincoln National Forest about 10 miles northwest of Arabela, near Pine Lodge.

Sgt. Curtis Harding went to the area Thursday and found the body in less than an hour as the sky darkened.

Police wouldn't say whose body it may be or who the suspected killer is, but they have names from the out-of-state police. Neither the victim nor the suspect is from this state, Bower said.

Ruidoso sales tax rises Wednesday

As the new year dawned in Ruidoso Wednesday, Jan. 1, retail items became about a penny more expensive on every \$10 purchase.

The 1/8th of 1% increase (0.125%) to the village's gross receipts tax, approved by councilors last summer, became effective on New Year's Day.

The increase raised the previous 6.8125% tax on retail goods to 6.9375%, making it the highest gross receipts tax charged by any municipality in the state.

It's the last hike village officials can make to the tax.

Village officials plan to use the extra revenues, projected to be about \$220,000 a year, for water-related projects or emergencies.

Planning commission meets

Ruidoso Planning and Zoning Commissioners will consider a request for a conditional use and a commercial site development in a business district at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 7 at village hall.

The public is welcomed to attend the regular meeting.

Commissioners previously approved Tim Hoyt's request for the conditional use and development for a mini storage business on Carrizo Canyon Road, but the timeline for the project has expired. Hoyt is resubmitting the applications.



Wanda Browther and her dog Pumpkin Tater revel in the first good Ruidoso rain of 1996. The village was inundated with 3 1/4" of rain June 26-27.



Tommy Michael Snare-Nevarez was born at 3:20 a.m. Jan. 2, the first baby to be born in Lincoln County this year.

Sex of first baby of 1997 surprises mom

by KATHLEEN McDONALD
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

When the Red Cross finally gets hold of Kenneth Snare, a Marine PFC on duty in Okinawa, Japan, they'll pass on some surprising news to him.

Snare and his wife Marlene of Ruidoso and El Paso, Texas, are the parents of the first baby born in Lincoln County in 1997.

Tommy Michael Snare-Nevarez was born at Lincoln County Medical Center at 3:20 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 2. He's an 18-inch, five-pound and 11-ounce dark-haired child who, to date, shies away from camera flashes.

"As far as we know it is the first baby born in the county" in 1997, nurse Kay Madaris said.

The real surprise for Kenneth will likely be the news that it's a boy. Marlene had an ultrasound Dec. 11 that indicated the baby was a girl, not a boy, she said.

"They said it was a girl's part," Marlene related. "So when it was a boy, I said 'What?' That was a surprise!"

Kenneth had hoped for a boy, boy.

but after the ultrasound, the couple adjusted to the notion of a girl. Marlene had even purchased some girl's clothing, Madaris related.

Ultrasound readings are correct about 99% of the time, Madaris said. In the case of little Tommy, the ultrasound picture didn't "show his little thing," because it was hidden from sight, she said.

Kenneth is out in the field in the Okinawa area, Madaris said, but the Red Cross is trying "to patch in a call" to him about the baby, who was expected to arrive Jan. 4.

Although this is Marlene's first child, the delivery was quick and easy, taking only two hours, the 20-year-old mother said.

"I thought it would take forever. I said 'Give me anything,' and they said, 'It's coming — you've got to push,'" Marlene recalled.

As it does annually for the county's first baby of the new year, the hospital gave Tommy a large bundle of clothes and baby items, Madaris said.

The clothes are fitting for a baby

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DROUGHT, WILDFIRES & FLOODING

It was feast or famine with 1996 precipitation.

First came the famine, with a three-year drought continuing into the summer, making the area susceptible to dangerous wildfires.

When the monsoon season finally arrived, it caused mudslides in fire-ravaged areas and flooding.

Then the ski area received a great start with snowstorm before it even opened, only to go without snow throughout the Christmas and New Year's busy holidays.

Feb. 22 — At least six fires whip up on the Mescalero Apache Reservation, burning 8,500 acres. Known

as the Elk Complex fires, officials think piles of forest slash re-lit during high winds.

Feb. 22 — Winds gusting up to 58 mph tear part of the roof off the Sitzmark Hotel in Ruidoso.

The year '96 in review

Snapped power lines take out electricity in 25 areas of town. A tree falls into the roof of a home, too.

March 13 — A controlled burn lit by the U.S. Forest Service goes out of control because of high winds on the Cibola National Forest west of Corona. It is named the Pinatosa fire.

March 23 — More high winds, up to 59 mph, snap power poles and leave 20 people in the county without power.

March 26 — Guests along Cedar

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Baby Tommy's mother gets help putting on his diapers.

Jan. 21 — Former Carlton police chief Tony Cassa is charged with molesting young property.

Jan. 22 — Police find 15-year-old Juan Lopez in the Lincoln Road and Mountain Drive area burglarized. Police arrest Antonio Gomez of Ruidoso Downs and charge him with some of the burglaries.

Jan. 23 — A grand jury indicts Lincoln County Deputy Angelo Vega on two counts of attempted first-degree murder of a woman. He is accused of trying to kill her because he became infatuated with her. Police reveal that charges against him for attempting to kill her were dropped. He is charged with molesting a young girl. He is charged with molesting a young girl. He is charged with molesting a young girl.



Vicente Montes, son of Lincoln County Commissioner Chairman Montes, is arrested and charged with a \$100,000 armed bank robbery and Albuquerque murder on Nov. 25.

Feb. 18 — Ruidoso resident Julian Morales, 46, enters the Ruidoso Police Department with a \$25,000 man. Chinese assault rifle with a 40-round magazine clip and handgun attached and two handguns. He is arrested and arrested by Detective Jim Higgs, and later sent to the state mental hospital for treatment.

Feb. 22 — Jeff Morgan is sentenced to serve 150 days probation for shooting a firearm in village limits when killing an elk in 1995.

Feb. 23 — Ruidoso police report a 16% decrease in residential burglaries in 1995 compared to 1994. A total of 240 home burglaries were reported in 1995, 40 less than in 1994. Drunk driving arrests also dropped 42% compared to the previous year, and fraud and forgery increased 35%.

April 2 — A train's diesel fuel tanks rupture and engulf its engines in flames, starting a grass fire as well, about 10 miles north of Carrizozo.

April 16 — Rescuers find the body of Stephen Kerr, 43, of Miamos, Ohio in the Lincoln National Forest's Three Rivers area. He apparently fell from a cliff while hiking alone.

April 19 — Officer Luis Torres almost shoots himself in the right foot during a street encounter. He is wounded when he sprays his leg.

May 4 — Motorcyclist Salvador Hernandez, 48, of Carlsbad, is killed when he hits an oncoming car on Highway 48 in north Ruidoso.

May 8 — Carlton Johnson of rural Ruidoso Downs threatens RRS students with explosives when they finished rehearsing a play at the Castle. He was arrested and later sent to the state mental hospital for treatment.

May 10 — Rene Romero, 21, of El Paso, Texas, dies when his car swerves into an 18-wheeler on State Highway 54 north of Carrizozo. He was driving a stolen car.

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May 30 — James Bush, 56, of Sioux Falls, S.D., dies on U.S. Highway 70 in eastern Lincoln County when his semi truck rolls.

July 4 — Jeremiah Martinez, 18, of Mescalero is killed on U.S. Highway 70 near Mescalero when the pickup he is riding in is hit by another vehicle. Five others are hospitalized in the unreported accident.

July 18 — A mistrial is declared in the prosecution of Lincoln County deputy Angelo Vega for intimidating witnesses and extortion.

July 19 — Marlon Howard, 45, of Bent is killed on U.S. Highway 70 near Mescalero when a semi truck hydroplanes and hits his pickup.

Aug. 2 — Police suspect someone tried to torch two homes on Wingfield Street. One of the fires causes extensive damage.

Aug. 3 — A decomposed body found in the Capitan Mountains is identified as a missing Bernal woman, Marilyn Blaine Boyd, 38. The death is ruled a suicide.

Aug. 31 — A 3-year-old girl is found in a car hanging on a fence outside her parents' Mescalero Downs vacation rental. She had not tried to climb the fence and go falling.

Sept. 9 — Ruidoso Downs officer Ray Montes is fired after sending vil-

lage property. Embezzlement charges have not been filed.

Sept. 27 — Police experience the calmest Aspencade Motorcycle Festival the town has hosted in years, and note a 70% reduction in arrests compared to 1995.

Oct. 6 — The body of 19-year-old Jennifer Leonardell of Albuquerque is found after a flash-flood two days earlier smashed into her car and washed the vehicle and body downstream from the low water crossing on Capitan Gap Road. The girl was staying at Lone Tree Bible Ranch and working at Spanky's Restaurant in Capitan.

Oct. 8 — Hondo Valley resident Steve Hernandez, 33, is charged with killing horse trainer Jim Hare Oct. 6 by hitting him on the back of the head with a sledgehammer at a Hondo Valley roping arena.

Oct. 22 — A lost hunter is found after he was caught overnight in a snowstorm in the White Mountain Wilderness. A hunting guide who helped find him, Scott Miller, 35, of Alamogordo, dies of a heart attack the next day in the forest.

Oct. 25 — Ruidoso Downs officer Clint Crainmore resigns after he is arrested at Holloman Air Force Base. Downs and AFB officials won't talk about the incident.

Oct. 30 — A 15-year-old Ruidoso boy is shot in the leg while in downtown Ruidoso. Charged with the crime are brothers Jandy Dacanay, 18, and Luckie Dacanay, 16.

Nov. 1 — Two 14-year-old boys are arrested for burglarizing about five vacation homes on Hildago and Mustang Drive. Inside the homes, the boys smashed furniture and spray-painted hate graffiti on the walls.

Nov. 2 — Kendall Jennings, 24, of Bonito is found dead from a stab wound in the leg near Capitan's Rodeo Bar. Authorities still looking for his suspected murderer, Samuel Don Stanton, 43, a local ranch hand and parolee from Camp Sierra Blanca.

Nov. 6 — The First Savings Bank in Ruidoso is robbed by two masked men, one with a handgun, of about \$24,000.

Nov. 17 — Ruidoso Magistrate Judge William Butts finds enough evidence against Jandy Dacanay to keep him in jail for the shooting of a Ruidoso boy Oct. 30.

Nov. 25 — Vicente Montes, 19, the son of the Lincoln County Commission chairman, is arrested and charged with robbing the First Savings Bank and murdering an Albuquerque man in a road argument.

Nov. 29 — An 11-year-old White Mountain Elementary School 6th grader is arrested after bringing a loaded semi-automatic handgun to school. He is banned from all public schools in this county for the year.

Dec. 5 — A 15-year-old Ruidoso High School student is arrested after pulling out a knife during a fist fight on school grounds.

Dec. 10 — Henry Buddy Altair, 60, of Hammond, far northeastern Lincoln County, is arrested for the Dec. 15 murder of his friend, Garvin Griffin, 62.

Dec. 17 — Ben Payne, 15, of Sedona, Ariz., dies after falling while skiing at Ski Apache.

Dec. 31 — Jacob Scott, 30, of Ruidoso Downs is shot in the head but finally the bullet passes off and he is released from the hospital the same day. Ruidoso Downs Police arrest Mescalero Sheriff 14 on New Year's Day for the shooting.

Jan. 2 — Nine state Indian public file suit against U.S. Attorney John Kelly to keep him from shutting down their gambling casinos. The Mescalero Apache Tribe does not join the suit. Kelly said late last week that the Indian casinos must close by Jan. 15 if the gambling tribes will face forfeiture of slot machines and other gambling devices.

Jan. 12 — Mescalero Apache President Wendell Chino unveils his 16th term as the president. During his inaugural address he calls for tribal cohesion, unity and sends an olive branch to the Ruidoso community.

Jan. 18 — The tribal council issues the town liquor license to the Mescalero Inn.

Feb. 6 — State Senate passes a bill allowing video gambling at restaurants, charities and hotels. The bill moves on to the House for review and is killed Feb. 7.

Feb. 12 — A bill to set up a committee of House and Senate members to study and ratify Indian gaming compacts never gets to the House floor for a vote. Legislators now say the Indian compacts will be in the hands of the courts.

April 19 — Nuclear storage negotiations between the Mescalero Apache Tribe and a coalition of nuclear utilities end. The two sides disagree on contract issues, and the end in talks makes the storage pact dead.

April 26 — Ruidoso officials file opposition with the U.S. Department of the Interior about the Mescalero Apache Tribe's application to annex Carrizo Lodge.

They cite concerns about the tribe selling alcohol without a license at the lodge, which it renamed Mescalero Inn; and concern about the village's future responsibility to serve the property with water and sewer.

May 22 — Department of Public Safety special investigator Ron Fisher determines the tribe is selling liquor at the Mescalero Inn without a permit, but is uncertain whether it's illegal. District Attorney Bert Atkins is also unsure of its legality because the state Legislature changed the law last year, allowing tribes to approve their own liquor licenses within the jurisdiction of their land.

May 22 — Gov. Gary Johnson says he opposes the annexation of 7.5 acres of Ruidoso to the Mescalero Apache Reservation if the buildings at the site will be used for a casino.

May 25 — The Mescalero Apache Tribe erects a new boundary sign on Carrizo Canyon Road that marks the Mescalero Inn land tract as part of the tribe's reservation trust. The sign is posted without permission from Ruidoso officials, who say the land is still a part of the village.

May 31 — Tribal attorney Gregory Quinan asks state officials to join the tribal council in seeking a declaratory judgment on whether the tribe's liquor ordinance at the Mescalero Inn is legal.

June 5 — Federal Court Chief District Judge John E. Conway rules the tribe's gambling compact with the state is illegal because only Gov. Johnson signed it, and not the state Legislature. The tribe says it will appeal.

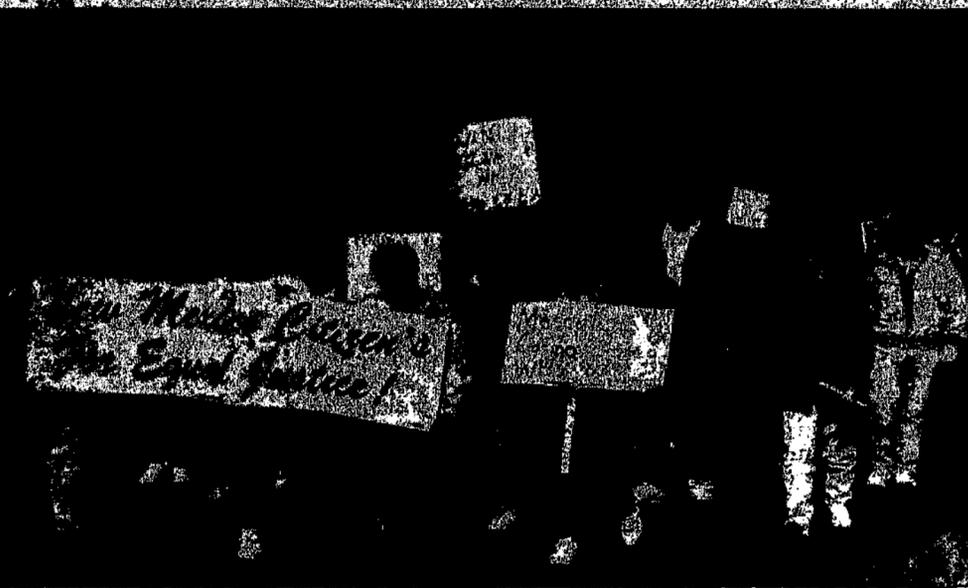
June 12 — U.S. Attorney John Kelly refrains from comment about Conway's ruling, saying he wants to wait until after a federal court hearing on the legality of compacts held by nine state Indian pueblos.

June 14 — Bureau of Indian Affairs officials decide to allow the tribe to annex 7.5 acres of Ruidoso to the Mescalero Apache Reservation. Village officials say they'll fight the decision, but they'll drop their appeal if they can resolve lingering issues with the tribal government about the property.

June 19 — U.S. Attorney Kelly says he won't try to stop the tribe from selling liquor at the Mescalero Inn in Ruidoso without a state license, but will join the tribe in seeking a court ruling on the state law allowing tribes to write their own liquor licenses.

June 23 — State liquor officials reject the tribe's request to seek a declaratory judgment by the state liquor law, saying the liquor sales at Mescalero Inn are simply illegal and must stop.

June 25 — Ruidoso Mayor Jerry Shry and Mescalero Apache Tribal President Wendell Chino meet to



Casino Apache supporters and laid-off employees march in protest.

hind closed doors with attorneys to negotiate issues involving the tribe's annexation of the Mescalero Inn tract. Nothing is resolved.

July 12 — A federal judge rules that gambling compacts held by nine state Indian pueblos are invalid. Based on the ruling, U.S. Attorney John Kelly says he expects all Indian casinos to close by July 27.

July 22 — Mescalero Apache Tribe President Wendell Chino says he will not close Casino Apache.

July 25 — U.S. District Court Judge Martha Vasquez issues a stay, pending appeal, to her ruling that Indian gambling is illegal. The stay enables the casinos of nine Indian pueblos to stay open.

July 26 — U.S. Attorney John Kelly says in a press release he's unhappy about the court's stay allowing casinos to remain open, but his office "will not take enforcement action against the tribes while the stay is in effect."

Aug. 7 — U.S. Attorney John Kelly decides the Mescalero Apache Tribe's Casino Apache is not protected by a judge's stay protecting the operation of other Indian casinos. His spokesman says "it remains possible" for the U.S. attorney to take action against Casino Apache.

Aug. 8 — U.S. Attorney John Kelly files a motion to have a federal judge's stay against Indian casino closures overturned.

Aug. 8 — An historic gathering, called by tribal officials, brings Ruidoso, county and tribal officials together for about four hours. Wendell Chino presents financial figures representing the economic impact of tribal businesses on Ruidoso and the county.

Aug. 16 — A federal district court agrees to hear an appeal to a Nov. 20 ruling declaring Indian gambling illegal. The hearing will be sooner than expected.

Aug. 16 — A state banking official says one of the Ruidoso State Bank's ATM machines at Casino Apache isn't legal, so it must be unplugged.

Aug. 19 — Chino says he wants to continue negotiating annexation of Ruidoso land with Ruidoso officials, but without attorneys.

Sept. 6 — A state official lets Ruidoso State Bank keep an unauthorized ATM machine at Casino Apache after the bank filed an application for the machine.

Sept. 18 — Chino seeks a restraining order from a federal judge that would stop U.S. attorney John Kelly from shutting down Casino Apache. Kelly told Chino Sept. 18 that he would close Casino Apache by Sept. 24.

Sept. 24 — A federal judge denies the tribe's request for a stay, and U.S. attorney Kelly forces the closure of Casino Apache by threatening to seize gambling machines and freeze bank accounts.

Sept. 25 — Chino files a request for a stay on Kelly's action with the 10th Circuit Court of Appeals, hoping to reopen the casino.

Sept. 25 — Kelly files a counter



Mescalero Apache Tribal President Wendell Chino speaks at his inauguration into his 16th elected term.

request, asking the 10th Circuit Court of Appeals to deny the tribe's request for two restraining orders against him. He also asks the court to overturn a stay it issued to the Jicarilla Apache tribe Sept. 24, allowing it to keep its casino open until the court hears an appeal in a case mirroring that of the Mescalero.

Oct. 2 — About 230 workers at Casino Apache, many from the Ruidoso area, file for unemployment.

Oct. 8 — The 10th Circuit Court of Appeals denies the tribe's request for a stay that would let Casino Apache reopen. The court cites a desire to maintain the "status quo" until it hears an appeal of a ruling against Indian gambling compacts Nov. 20.

Oct. 13 — A group of unemployed Casino Apache workers calling themselves New Mexico Citizens for Equal Justice rally with anti-Kelly slogans at a rally for President Bill Clinton in Albuquerque.

Oct. 18 — Chino endorses presidential contender Senator Bob Dole, after complaining four days earlier that he was the only tribal leader not invited to a gathering with President Bill Clinton.

At that meeting, all other tribal leaders in New Mexico endorsed Clinton.

Oct. 23 — Ruidoso officials file an appeal with the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs protesting the tribe's annexation of Ruidoso land.

Nov. 8 — A group of laid-off Casino Apache workers indirectly

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takes responsibility for a blacklisting of village businesses that began circulating in late October.

Nov. 15 — Casino Apache reopens with non-house banking rules, against the advice of the U.S. attorney.

Nov. 22 — Casino Apache reopens with class III gambling two days after a 10th Circuit Court of Appeals hearing on the legality of Indian gambling compacts. A judge at the hearing questions the fairness of the tribe being the only one with a casino forced to close. Kelly resists the reopening, but with the help of Sen. Pete Domenici, the tribe gets the go-ahead. However, if the court rules against the compacts in 1997, the casino will have to shut again.

Dec. 4 — The Mescalero Apache Tribe signs an agreement with Texas-New Mexico Power for an electric alliance for the new Mescalero enterprise.

Dec. 10 — The Mescalero Apache Tribe continues nuclear storage talks with British Nuclear Fuel Limited and an unnamed company, says the tribe's financial consultant.

Look for more year-in-review lists in Wednesday's paper

OPINION

Violence puts its mark on the Ruidoso Valley

It was not an auspicious beginning for 1997. What is it about the male psyche that turns hormones into violence? That is the larger question surrounding the apparently deliberate shooting of a 20-year-old named Jacob Scott at a convenience store in Ruidoso Downs on Tuesday night, just about 27 minutes before a new year began.

The victim was not seriously injured by the grazing .22 calibre bullet, but a shot to the head never can be considered minor. Preliminary investigation quickly brought an arrest, and with it the conclusion that the shooting was (and here's a '90s buzz-word for you) "gang-related."

Witnesses left no doubt about the incident. The shooter was 16 years old, and quickly arrested. But as with so many happenings, it's much easier to determine the "who" and "what" of the matter. The "why" is a much larger question, and often as not the bloody determinate.

We know clearly that a juvenile shot a young adult; that the older youth survived; that the child is now in a heap of trouble. There's also some indication that the child might have been a victim in a recent Midtown incident of violence.

So, do we have a classic tale of gang brotherhood and revenge? A rural "West Side Story" without the gritty big-city romance and musical accompaniment? But there's danger in even drawing such a comparison, because a part of growing up is building a kind of self-esteem. Every kid wants to be noticed.

Indeed, such might be the appeal of gangs: A need to be noticed and valued, by whatever standard your friends recognize.

Unfortunately, our culture puts emphasis on the glamor of violence. If you don't believe it, see what kind of videos are in biggest supply. Consider why Billy the Kid was and is such an historic icon.

Look at our past. When knighthood was in flower, on the boundary between myth and history, everybody's favorite gang leader was Robin Hood.

We can even make a case that King Arthur's Round Table was a most successful gang, until a lady named Guinevere messed things up.

So our generation calls 'em gangs; they're still a bunch of kids battling their way through puberty in a society that is much too blind to parental responsibility.

Ruidoso's police department has a good idea: Assign a gang specialist. In the real world, it takes one to know one, and maybe do something about it.

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Waku '95

Not arising from campaign ninety-six hastened growth of ozone hole

Alan Greenspan spoke and he shook the stock market he should not exhale

Eta Hulme, a popular cartoonist for The Fort Worth Star-Telegram, summed up her impressions of the year just passed in a few words and two drawings.



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Of publishers and advisors

by KENN ARSEN

Changing hats at a newspaper isn't all that unusual. The person in charge of newspaper publishing over the years has been a publisher, circulation manager, editor, general manager, publisher, general production manager, general manager, circulation manager, and (I'll bet) with something called a production research director and assistant at the general manager.

In other words, the longer the title, the smaller the job.

Now let's see what the publisher's wife says. She likes people who according to many people, come what may.

Publishers sometimes reason for the office if they can't find anybody else to do it, why not have them to suggest to the staff that somebody else grab a lunch with.

Publishers suggest by the way, advisors suggest how to use it without making a mess (and then how best to clean it up).

This advisor also gets to write a column on the Opinion page (that's his one) and try to make it useful to the thousands of readers who consider Ruidoso the nearest thing to Paradise this world can offer.

In this column we'll try on occasion to explain things that happen in Ruidoso, and may well also seek to answer questions about our neck of the woods, some times going to considerable pains to make sure the answer is right and reasonable.

Ruidoso is a magnet for interesting people from all over the world, and on occasion we'll put them in a rosy spotlight because everybody is interested in people.

As planned, now we'll sound off on some windy news. Funny things get too hot and heavy, we might do it a bit more often.

Meanwhile, we welcome cards, letters, phone calls, fax messages and queries over the internet.

Write me at "Mountain Asides," The Ruidoso News, P.O. Box 128, Ruidoso, NM 88345. Call me (I'll return calls if I'm off contemplating a mountain side) at (505) 257-4001. Fax me at (505) 257-7053.

And you computer-literate internet surfers (I'm still learning what that means) can tell me what's what anytime of the day or night at "info@lookingglass.net."

Next time, we'll explain what that string of alphabetical gibberish means.

December bids a seasonal farewell

On the last day of December, the Sacred Month, the sun came up in a clear sky, trimming the pinon trees on the mountain top in shimmering silver and gold.

From just above the hilltop the sun turned the hillside and all the vale below into airy purple-crimson, and the hillside across the valley to the north were all overcast in pink and orange light.

Light clouds, with their round tops showing above the hill horizon to the south and east, borrowed from these blending hues of the morning enough to form colors of their own — lightly glowing and blending into something new to your sight — not of this world, like scene in a beautiful dream.

Quickly as it had appeared, the morning pageant faded from the sky leaving you with the feeling that for a brief few minutes Heaven had come down to our Mountain Land.

Then toward evening of a mild and sunny day, clouds gathered over the hills to the west as if to be on time for a sky-borne injection of good will. The setting sun behind the cloud bank turned the hills into blazing, fiery red and orange gold.

As the sun went down behind the hill, it sent crimson coloring into the very air itself so that all between the sunset and you was glowing sunset red.

Then as the sun sank still lower the colors rose up to the clouds directly overhead, bringing you heavenly messages on the eve of December, the Sacred Month.

A Beloved Cousin

You may remember my writing about my cousin Marguerite Kennedy Stevens, and her



The Silver Lining

DANIEL AGNEW STORM
COLUMNIST

husband Claude Stevens of Blandville, Calif. Marguerite had been reading The Ruidoso News, and wrote me asking, "Are you the Dan Storm who is the son of my Auntie Rosalie Kennedy?"

Marguerite was the daughter of James Kennedy, youngest of our mother's three brothers.

For years she and Claude came to visit me and see the Lincoln Park and became very fond of Lincoln County.

Marguerite Kennedy Stevens was called home by our Lord on Dec. 28, after celebrating her 102nd birthday on Dec. 12 with grandson Stanford Hill and granddaughters Stella Melton and Claudia Vitale in San Diego, Calif.

We rejoice that Marguerite has been reunited with Claude and other loved ones who have gone on before to be in heaven with our Lord.

New Year's Day in the Mountain World

On New Year's morning the sun shone through a light haze of clouds over San Diego

Mountain, casting all the vale below in half-light touched with pearl, opal and rainbow lights.

Already the morning air was warm and balmy, fragrant with the incense of winter herbs mingled with onion and cedar fragrance.

A western breeze scattered the clouds so that the sky was all blue and white.

At 10 a.m. the temperature rose to 50 degrees and a hot came humming around the apricot tree.

In the pathway to the door the head of the last year had increased to 10 from six yesterday. The tame cottontail rabbit chased the snow birds in the the feeding. Overhead the snow came and his call of fair weather.

At high noon the temperature rose to 78. At the upper end of Blue Bird Meadow two half-grown calves appeared out of the pasture and then raced down the field blocking and picking full of the joy of being alive.

At the close of a spring-in-winter day, the clouds assembled in the west for a new year's evening festival.

Rays of the setting sun sent gold and rainbow beams through the clouds on the hill horizon and up to these overhead, which now caught the crimson and orange lights of the sunset.

Shower you behold the evening sunset while the glowing overhead cast all the vale below in heavenly light and sky color at the close of the New Year's Day and the week of a golden time to mind.

The Evening Dishes
The Glory of God
And the Immortal Growth
of the Mountain.

Jan. 10 — Lincoln County stands to lose 114 jobs after state officials decide to close Camp Sierra Blanca.

Jan. 26 — Construction begins on the \$17 million Spencer Theater.

Feb. 16 — Sierra Bank opens and former Northwest Bank vice president Carl Bartley becomes Sierra Bank president.

March 1 — Richard Loverip takes three out of five Ruidoso Board of Realtors Awards.

March 8 — Apache Trails and Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce protest a \$300,000 cut to the state tourism budget.

March 13 — Lone Star Airlines reduces its Dallas service. Scenic Airlines moves in for summer and fall seasons.

March 22 — Ruidoso Computer Systems and TrailNet bring local access to the World Wide Web.

April 5 — GTE announces a 42% rate reduction.

April 11 — New Mexico Film Office visits Ruidoso to offer advice on attracting the film industry.

April 19 — The Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce and local businesses offer advertising help to Lone Star Airlines.

May 3 — New Mexico Lottery ticket sales generate as much as \$1,500 for individual retailers dur-

ing the first week of sales.

May 20 — The Lincoln National Forest closes, threatening tourism economy.

June 7 — The U.S. Small Business Administration offers disaster relief loans to businesses hurt by the drought.

June 28 — The Lincoln County District Court upholds Ruidoso's sign ordinance banning banners foring county commissioners and business owner Wilton Howell to take down his banner.

July 2 — Lincoln National Forest reopens.

July 15 — The Ruidoso Planning and Zoning Commission approves Kokopelli Mesa, a new subdivision with 116 homes.

July 24 — Ruidoso councilors vote to jack up the village's gross receipt tax to 6.9375%, making it the highest rate in the state. The rate is effective Jan. 1, 1997.

Aug. 8 — Mescalero officials release an economic report showing the tribe added \$44 million to Ruidoso's economy in 1995.

Aug. 9 — The Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce sponsors a facelift to the billboard at the intersection of Sudderth Drive and Highway 70, adding a red arrow to direct traffic into town.

Aug. 16 — Seven local banks

give the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce \$47,000 in matching funds for chamber building repairs.

Sept. 24 — Casino Apache closes under orders from U.S. Attorney John Kelly.

Sept. 27 — The Mescalero Apache Tribe starts its tourism company.

Sept. 27 — The estimated tax benefit from the Golden Aspen Rally totals \$171,026, with more than \$2 million in gross receipts.

Oct. 2 — Casino Apache lays off 270 employees when it closes.

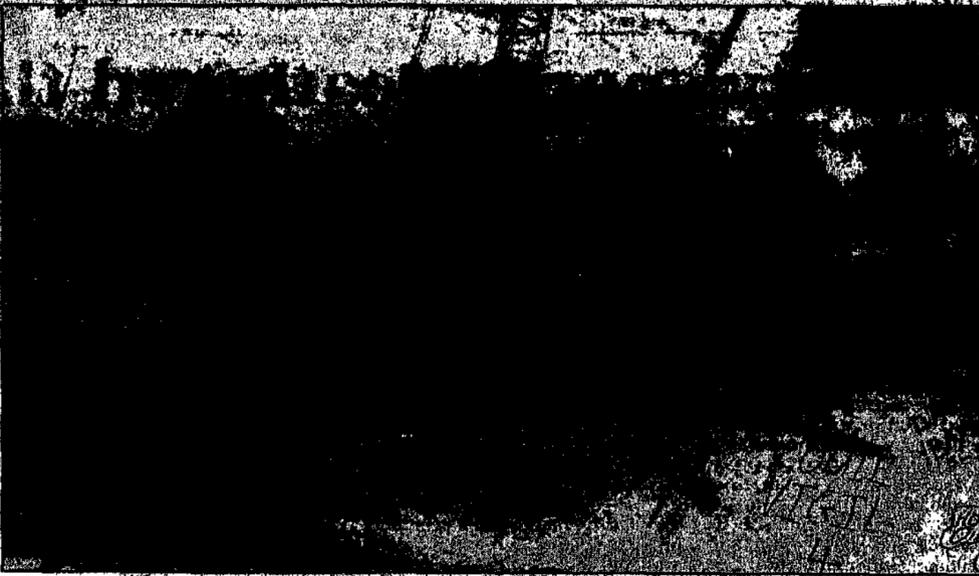
Nov. 13 — The Lincoln County Commission contributes \$1.2 million for renovating Lincoln County Medical Center, which is experiencing growth in outpatient services.

Nov. 27 — Casino Apache reopens.

Nov. 27 — Lone Star Airlines is purchased by Peak International, Inc., an Aspen, Colo.-based airline.

Nov. 28 — Ski Apache opens on schedule thanks to early snow.

Nov. 29 — Wal-Mart breaks ground at a new Highway 70 location in Ruidoso Downs. Officials plan to move the Ruidoso store to the bigger building, taking a big chunk of sales tax from Ruidoso and bringing it to the Downs.



Mary Maxson (left), Spencer theater director Rand Hamon, and owner George Spencer (right) celebrate the last steel beam going up at the theater along Sierra Blanca Airport Road.



A massive amount of dirt is being moved for the construction of a new, larger Wal-Mart in Ruidoso Downs. That community will gain a huge sales tax revenue increase, while Ruidoso stands to lose when its store closes.



Christmas shopping business this year received mixed reviews from Ruidoso businesses.

CRIMESTOPPERS "CRIME OF THE WEEK"

The Ruidoso-Lincoln County Crime Stoppers will pay up to \$1,000 for information that leads to the arrest and Grand Jury indictment or Magistrate Court Bindover of the person or persons who committed this crime or any other unsolved felony crime in Lincoln County. Let's work together to call a stop to crime.

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LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO... On November 2, 1996, Kendall Jennings was found stabbed to death at the Rodeo Bar three miles east of Capitan, NM. The suspect is Samuel Dan Stanton. Samuel Dan Stanton fled to Roswell and then absconded to a destination unknown. Stanton is described as a white male, 5'11", 160 lbs., green eyes, and 34 years old. He goes by several different aliases. He is known to be armed and very dangerous.

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RUIDOSO'S THREE-DAY WEATHER OUTLOOK

SUNDAY	High: 46 Low: 22	MONDAY	High: 50 Low: 27
	Partly cloudy		Partly cloudy
TUESDAY	High: 46 Low: 22	WEDNESDAY	High: 46 Low: 22
	Partly cloudy		Partly cloudy

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Historical Readings	High	Low	Forecast
Tuesday	61	21	00%
Wednesday	52	26	10%
Thursday	64	29	00%
Friday	68	35	Mostly cloudy
Saturday	72	48	Partly cloudy
Sunday	78	45	Early cloudy
Monday	80	48	Partly cloudy



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 January 3, 1997
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State seeks information about records of its 400-year history

New Mexico has received a federal grant to help identify the locations of its 400-year history. The grant of \$89,000 is from the National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC) to the New Mexico Historical Records Advisory Board. The board is to be used in identifying historical records repositories throughout the state, formal or informal places where records are stored, and in compiling information about the condition of those records.

The project began in December, 1995, with the award of the grant and will run through June 1998. The State Records Center and Archives and other state offices, libraries, counties and municipal offices contain many records in both Spanish and English of the state's history. But many are unsorted and stored in conditions that allow them to deteriorate. Many others may be held in churches, private pantheons and businesses or homes.

The board hopes to attract widespread participation by surveying repositories and conducting workshops on historical records preservation, archival techniques and records management practices. Three regional workshops are planned.

L. Elaine Olah, state historical records coordinator, said the result will be a strategic plan that sets forth New Mexico's historical record needs, recommends specific preservation/access strategies and lists board priorities for future funding.

A by-product of the 18-month project will be a directory of New Mexico Historical Records Repositories. The board will provide a copy of the directory to all participants in the project and will sell copies to others for a nominal fee.

Olah said the board is willing to present a conceptual model of the strategic plan at any meeting of organizations interested in historical records.

Olah's address is State Records Center and Archives, 404 Montezuma, Santa Fe, N.M., 87501-2502. Phone: (505) 827-7332. FAX: (505) 827-7331. E-mail: colah@isd.state.nm.us

Marie Henderson
 Funeral services for Marie Jackson Henderson, 95, will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 4, at the High-Good Street & Deaver Funeral Home Chapel in Oklahoma City. Officiating will be the Rev. Susan Smith. Burial will be in the Rose Hill Cemetery.

Mr. Henderson was born in Alto, Okla. She was born Aug. 6, 1901 to Sarah and Charles Tucker. She moved to Houston, Texas, in 1956 from Oklahoma City and lived in Houston until moving to Alto on Aug. 1, 1988. She was a member of Cammie Park Bible Society and Prayers Director in the 1940s. She attended Northwestern University in Chicago and graduated from Oklahoma University in Norman. She was a music teacher in Oklahoma City for 10 years.

She married Howard Devo Henderson in August, 1930 and he preceded her in death after 63 years of marriage on July 9, 1983.

She is survived by a daughter, Elizabeth, Bartlesville, Okla.; two grandchildren, Mary Richard, Bartlesville, Okla. and Suzanne, Christian, Okla.; a brother, Sub Valley, Idaho; and two nephews, David Tucker of West Palm Beach, Fla., and Bill Tucker and his wife Sara of Crystal Beach, Fla.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Mary Margaret Henderson.

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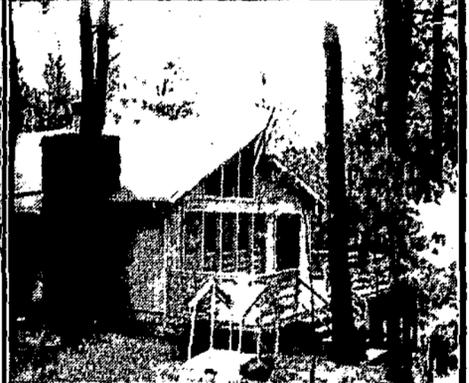
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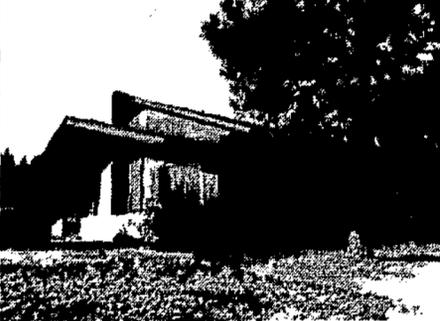
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Harris • \$169,500 • 135 Rowan.
Bdrms 3, Baths 2, Fairway home.



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Bdrms 3, Baths 3, Upper Canyon on river



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Commercial

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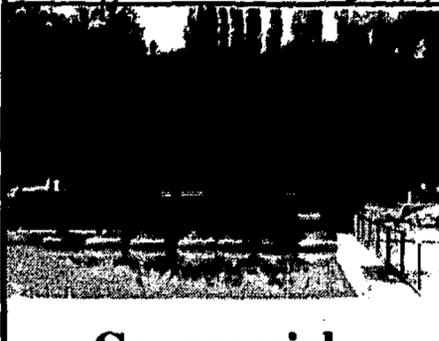
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3/2 1/2, like new, full golf membership



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3/3 #6 Fairway, full golf membership



Alto

Thompson • \$330,000 • 525 High Mesa Dr.
4/3 1/2, #4 fairway, full membership



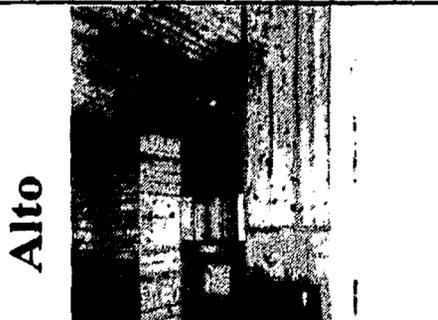
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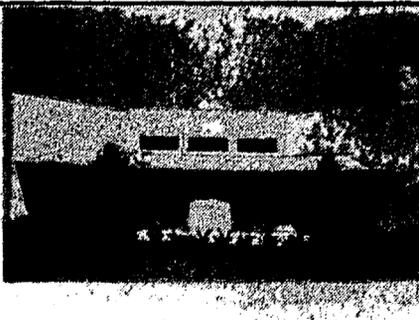
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