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**Egg hunt in Downs Saturday**

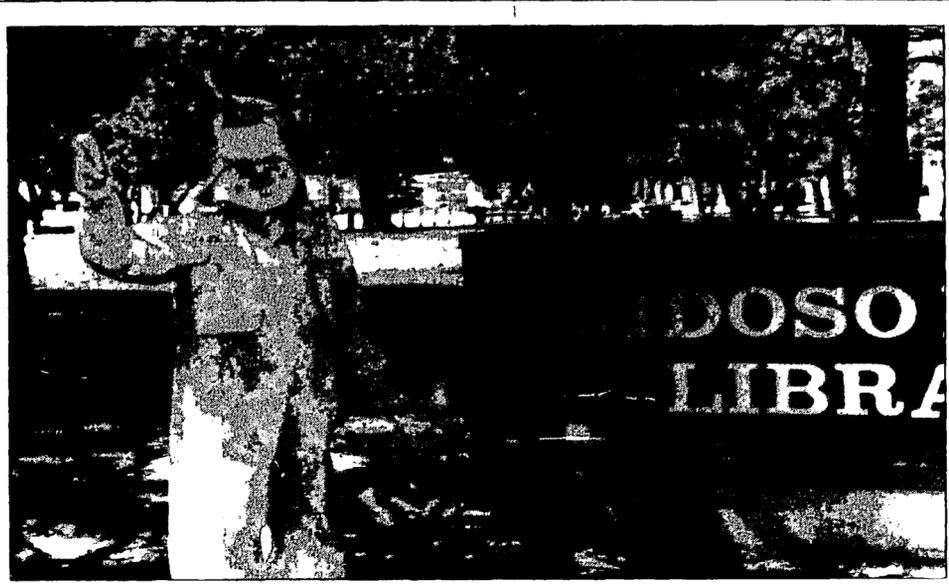
The Ruidoso Downs Community Egg Hunt will be held at the All American Park next to the Downs Senior Citizens building at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 22. Children will be divided into age groups, and each group will have a designated area. Age groups are 2-5, 6-8 and 9-12. Prizes will be given for the lucky eggs found in each group. There also will be a hat decorating contest for the girls who wish to enter. Prizes will be given for the best. The Ruidoso Downs Firemen are assisting in a basketball throw and prizes will be given to the winning pitchers. The Ruidoso Downs Auxiliary is sponsoring the event.

**Free tests of well water next week**

If you're wondering what's floating around in the well water you drink, you can get some free information at "water fairs" in Corona Tuesday and San Patricio Wednesday. The fair is only for people with privately owned water wells. Just bring a quart of water in a clean glass container after letting the water run for at least five minutes. Pour the water at least eight hours before testing, so it's at room temperature, for best results. Don't use containers or lids that are used to store items with a strong odor. The fair in Corona runs 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. March 25 at the senior citizens center. The fair in San Patricio runs 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. March 26 at the senior citizens center. The tests are sponsored by the New Mexico Environment Department.

**Democrats hold local election**

The Lincoln County Democratic Central Committee will elect officers and committee members at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 1 at the Cree Meadows Country Club. All registered Democrats may vote. Positions to be elected include precinct/ward officers, county central committee, state central committee members and county party officers. For more information call Chay Rennick at 257-2635 (home) or 258-9090 (work), or Laura Schryer at 336-4772.



Julie Baxter/The Ruidoso News

**Hopping into Spring**

The beckoning bunny at the Ruidoso Public Library Thursday was a sure sign that Spring is here and Easter is just around the corner. A Ruidoso Senior Center RSVP volunteer and library staff members split the duty of bundling up in the bunny suit this week to delight passersby.

## Value of Ruidoso area construction doubles in decade

by **TONI K. LAXSON**  
 Ruidoso News Staff Writer  
 Construction values in the Ruidoso area almost doubled from 1995 to 1996, and building permit applications increased by 20%, according to village records.

"Everybody's pretty happy right now, pretty satisfied," said Jerry Bertramsen, president of the Lincoln County Home Builders Association. "There's building going on all over town right now." The value of new homes, businesses and building improvements in the Ruidoso area climbed to \$42.5 million in 1996 from \$23.8 million in 1995, village records show. Building permit applications increased from 754 to 906. The numbers cover Ruidoso and the unincorporated areas to the north.

Tim Vega, Ruidoso planning and zoning office manager, noted part of increase comes from construction of the Spencer Theater for Performing Arts north of town. Its final cost is expected to

be about \$17 million. However, because construction of the theater is still underway, the 1996 records do not reflect the total cost of the project, Vega said.

Development in Ruidoso and its surrounding communities has been steadily thriving since the economic slump of the mid-1980s, he said. New construction has risen every year since 1988, when total development came to \$5.1 million, according to village records.

Construction of new homes, for example, increased by about \$600,000 from 1995 to 1996, and by roughly \$5 million from 1994 to 1995.

Bertramsen said the dramatic leap in construction expenditures may be due to several expensive homes built in recent years. He also attributed the increase to a new influx of Californians moving to the area.

The surge in development continues despite a 10-month moratorium by the Ruidoso Village Council on most subdivision requests, Vega noted. The Council

established the moratorium to prevent developers from increasing water demand beyond what the village's present zoning accommodates.

"We've been in a drought for the last two years," he said. "So I guess we're not up to spec on the water tables. But (water levels) have increased recently."

Once water tables rise to a set level, the moratorium will end. Vega said he is aware of only one or two developers with projects on hold until then. "Before the moratorium went into effect, we sent out memorandums to all the land surveyors," Vega said. "So, they're probably just waiting" for water levels to rise before submitting subdivision requests.

The moratorium does not affect development of dense housing, such as apartments, in areas presently zoned for that development, he said. Also, the Council has granted requests for waivers on the moratorium for subdivisions that reduce density or do not increase water demands, such as storage units.

## Gambling bill dead after tied House vote

by **HELEN GAUSSOIN**  
 News Capitol Correspondent

On a tie vote that brought a gasp from state lawmakers, a bill to legalize casino gambling died Thursday night in the New Mexico House.

"It's over," sponsor Rep. Dub Williams (R-Glencoe) said after the vote. He said he was disappointed for his constituents, which include the Ruidoso Downs Racetrack and Mescalero Apache Tribe, but not disappointed with the more than six hours of debate that preceded the vote.

"It's a letdown obviously. I wanted to win - that's the American way. I didn't get what I wanted for my constituents but I'm not disappointed with the debate. There is a kinship here."

Representatives could vote to reconsider the bill, but Williams said he doesn't know if any opponent could be persuaded to switch sides. The legislative session ends Saturday.

If the vote stands, the defeat means the Legislature most likely will not legalize casinos and the issue goes back to the federal courts, which have ruled the reservation casinos are illegal. While the Senate has passed a gambling bill, the House is extremely unlikely to support it.

"We kind of sensed all along it would be close. I never dreamed it would be this close," Williams said.

John Underwood, a lobbyist for the village of Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs Racetrack, said he would not be trying to persuade anyone to ask for a new vote.

"If they reconsider, I would rather it come from someone who wants to do it on their own. God knows they've been lobbied to death," he said. Asked what he plans to do now, Underwood said, "Sit back, relax my head and see what happens."

Williams noted the tribe has "a tremendous investment" and said it is unfortunate the issue is going back to the courts.

He thinks most New Mexicans want Indian tribes to have avenues to economic development, he said.

The House vote came after nine mostly unsuccessful attempts to amend the bill, including several failed attempts to let tribes keep more of the revenue from casinos.

**Pros and cons**

Opponents to the bill said gambling leads to substantial social costs that outweigh the economic benefits.

"New Mexico is very high in general business activity and yet we have a decline in state revenue. Why is that? It's substantially because of gambling," said Rep. Max Coll (D-Santa Fe). "A few years ago New Mexico was in the middle (in terms of bankruptcies). Now, we're near the top. Why is that? I submit it's because of gambling... For every job gambling creates, there is a tragic story."

But supporters, some noting gambling is already in the state, said tribes need gambling for economic development.

"We've become a capitalistic society, leaving behind our Native

American people," said Rep. James Roger Madalena of Jemez Pueblo. "We need economic development."

Rep. Leo Watchman of the Navajo Nation said the tribes will be back to ask for state help if they are not allowed to open casinos for economic development.

**Bill's components**

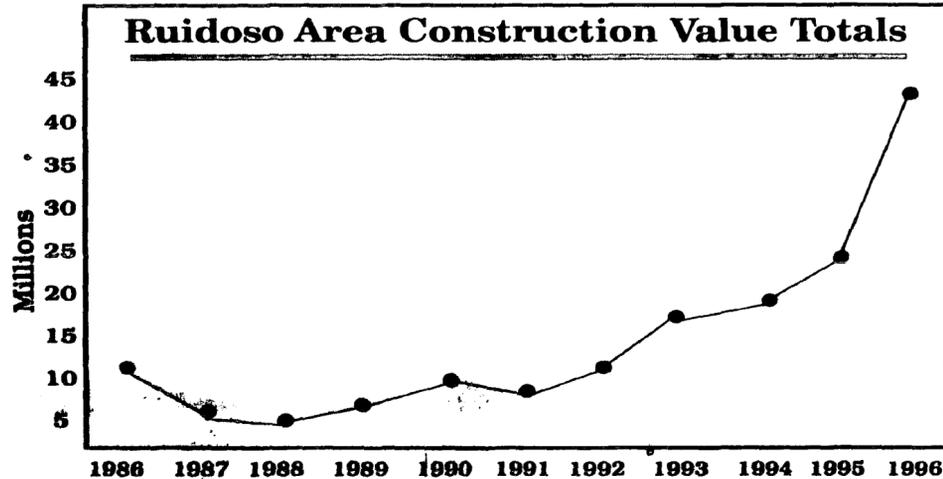
Components of the dead bill included:

- **TRIBES**
    - authorized 10-year compacts with the tribes;
    - tribes would have had to pay the state 16% of the net win from video slot machines and annual regulatory fees based in part on the number of machines and table games. - tribes would have been prohibited from cashing government retirement and benefit checks, including cash assistance checks for the poor and social security checks, and would have been required that automated tellers in casinos be programmed to reject welfare benefit debit cards.
    - required the tribes to close the casinos for at least four hours a day;
    - would have allowed the tribes to regulate reservation gambling.
  - **TRACKS AND CLUBS**
    - allowed horse tracks and fraternal and veterans clubs to operate video slot machines;
    - tracks and clubs would have been required to pay the state 25% of the net win from the machines. Tracks would have been required to put 20% of what's left into racing purses, and clubs would be required to donate 88% of what's left to charities;
    - only permitted off-reservation gambling if the federal government approved the compacts with the tribes;
    - off-reservation gambling would have been regulated by a five-member commission;
  - **TRACKS**
    - each racetrack would have been allowed up to 500 slot machines;
    - tracks would have been restricted to operating the games only when live racing or simulcast racing was taking place;
    - under the only amendment to win approval, the racetracks would have been limited to operating the games no more than 12 hours a day;
  - **CLUBS**
    - clubs would have been allowed to have up to 15 machines;
  - **ALL GAMBLING SITES**
    - gambling on and off the reservation would have been required to prohibit those under the age of 21 from playing;
    - all gambling sites would have been prohibited from serving alcohol in areas where gambling occurs;
    - and all gambling places would have been required to program the slot machines to pay out 80% of the take.
- Among the unsuccessful attempts to amend the bill were two sponsored by Williams that would have lowered the amount tribes would have to pay the state. Federal officials have said the 16% revenue sharing requirement might be too high under federal law.

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# Rancher cites issues with local BLM plans

By Dianne Stallings  
Roswell News Staff Writer

A proposed 20-year management plan for half a million acres of federal land in Lincoln County worries some ranchers.

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) released the two-volume Roswell District proposed management plan and final environmental impact statement (FEIS) last week and will accept public comment through April 5. The first volume deals with the essentials of the plan and its impact on the environment. The second volume reviews objections from the public and other agencies about an earlier draft, and responses from the BLM.

Joel Bonnell, chairman of the county Agricultural and Rural Affairs Committee and a member of the county Public Land Use Advisory Council, is one of the few people who has combed through the 500-page plan that also includes a proposed amendment to the resource management plan for the Carlsbad district.

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rights-of-way across BLM land. Agency officials are trying to establish how much water is required in the Rio Bonito to support aquatic and plant life, Bonnell said. After that is established, they want the state to recognize that the "instream" flow is beneficial and should be treated as a new water right. Currently, instream flow is not recognized as being beneficial and a water right in this state, he said.

"They will make that a test case over there," Bonnell said. If they succeed, the BLM could resort to pumping groundwater or seek other sources to keep the stream running, although it normally goes dry at times in all but the wettest years, he said.

Language in the management plan also may make it tougher for individuals and utilities to keep

existing or arrange future rights-of-way across BLM land, he said.

But Howard Parman, spokesman for the BLM, said Bonnell is reading more into the plan's language than is there.

The Rio Bonito proposal calls for encouraging the reintroduction of native grass and other plant species, but does not cover water flow within the stream, he said.

Access to BLM land should not be affected by any management plan changes, either, although the agency may attempt to reduce the number of different rights-of-way by having several different entities use the same easement, Parman said.

Bonnell's committee will prepare a response to the plan and its EIS for county commission review before sending it to the BLM.

The proposed resource management plan covers the environmental consequences of activities such as minerals management, livestock grazing management, vegetation and pest management, cultural and paleontological resource management and outdoor recreation.

The plan for the Roswell District that includes Lincoln

County is a refinement of the agency's preferred alternative that was open for public review in November 1994. Comments from the public, review by BLM staff and new information developed since the original draft was released prompted changes in the agency's preferred alternative,

according to Parman. The changes were mostly to clarify language and did not cause any change of direction from the original document, he said.

Copies can be obtained by calling the Roswell Resource Area Office at 505-627-0272. Volume 1, containing the essen-

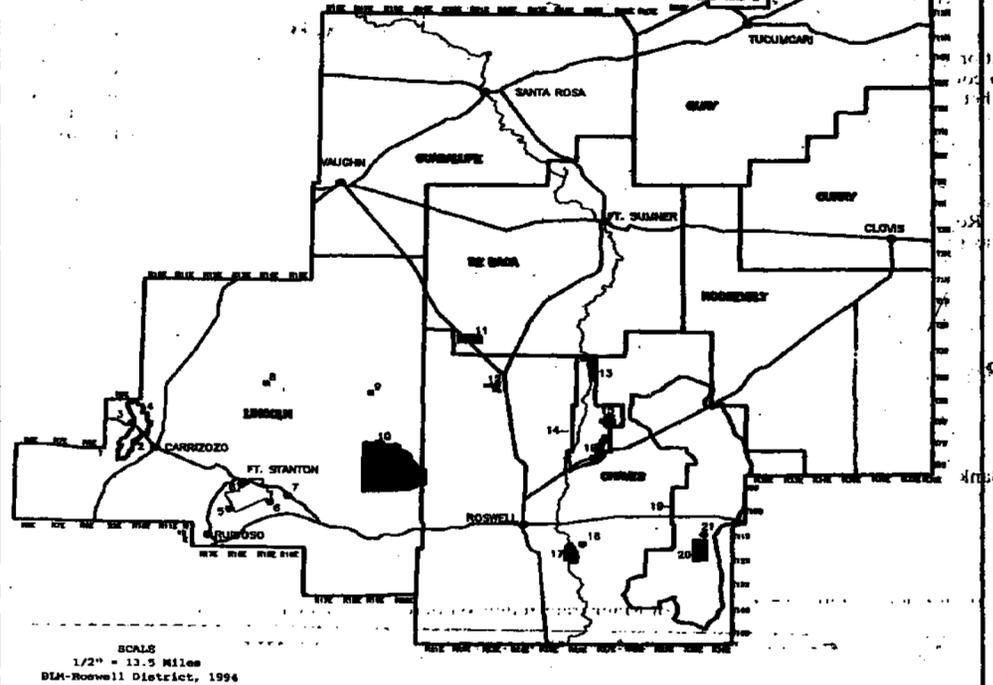
entials of the plan, can be viewed on and downloaded from the Internet at <http://www.blm.gov>. A protesting party may raise only those issues submitted for the record during the planning process. Specific protest procedures can be obtained by contacting the Roswell District Office.

## Potential BLM land acquisitions

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|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|
| 1 - Carrizozo WMA                    | X | 11 - Crystal Churns/Devil's Well Caves*  | X |
| 2 - Valley of Firas Reclamation Area | X | 12 - Harkin-Abellego Caves               | X |
| 3 - Millcreek Cave*                  | X | 13 - South Pecor River Grotto            | X |
| 4 - Little Black Peak WMA            | X | 14 - Pecon River/Deer Mgmt. Area         | X |
| 5 - Rio Bonito Waterfall             | X | 15 - Baystack Bluffs ACSC, District      | X |
| 6 - Lands adjacent to Ft. Stanton    | X | 16 - Baystack Mountain GNV Area          | X |
| 7 - Rio Bonito Acquired Lands        | X | 17 - Overflow Wetlands ACSC              | X |
| 8 - Rio Christine Cave*              | X | 18 - Gaspari Blinn Hill Site             | X |
| 9 - Torgack Cave*                    | X | 19 - Caprock Hill                        | X |
| 10 - Cedar Hills Deer Mgmt. Area     | X | 20 - Mescalero Sands ACSC                | X |
|                                      |   | 21 - Mescalero Sands North Dune GNV Area | X |

\* Part of the Roswell Cave Complex ACSC

NOTE - Reader must refer to tables and narrative to determine the affected acreage within each area.



## Proposed plan covers all areas of BLM management

Local residents will have plenty of input before the BLM develops a low-impact recreation plan for its acreage around the Rio Bonito, says agency spokesman Howard Parman.

If people are looking for particulars, they won't find it in the proposed resource management plan and final environmental impact statement (FEIS) for the Roswell BLM District, he said.

The plan deals with general management policies. Details will come later, he said.

But the proposed plan specifies the use around the historic settlement of Lincoln will be low-intensity such as hunting, fishing and hiking. Parman said while reviewing some of the highlights of the BLM's 20-year management strategy.

Other new management plans relevant to Lincoln County include:

- 47,482 acres of BLM land within the county has been identified as appropriate for disposal. The land could go to private individuals, non-profit

recreational groups and local governmental entities through land swaps or other methods;

- on the other hand, the BLM proposes to acquire Zia Christine Cave and Torgack Cave in the middle of the county, and Cedar Hills Deer Management Area in eastern Lincoln County;

- commercial guided tours of some caves would be allowed for the first time, on a case-by-case basis, but could not exceed 20% of the total seasonal use of each cave, such as Fort Stanton Cave;

- any changes in grazing practices will follow established standards for rangeland health and will depend on what has to be done to meet those guidelines;

- other than the Rio Bonito area, no new recreational areas are planned for development in the county;

- and the utility corridor for the Sierra Blanca Regional Airport will be retained with no changes.

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### Officials mum on officer's leave

Village and county officials are declining to comment about a Ruidoso police officer on paid administrative leave for the past month.

Debbie Rogge, village of Ruidoso human resource officer, said Thursday that Pete Esquibel has been on paid administrative leave since Feb. 19.

She could not confirm whether Esquibel, a Ruidoso police officer since 1986, had been suspended or was under investigation. She said it was against village personnel policy to reveal the reason for Esquibel's administrative leave.

Police Chief Lanny G. Maddox also declined to comment about Esquibel or even to say the officer had been put on administrative leave.

"This personnel issue is not something for public information at this time," Maddox said. "Especially without a disposition."

Lincoln County District Attorney Scot Key also declined to comment about Esquibel or whether his office was investigating the officer.

The Ruidoso News was unable to reach Esquibel for comment because his telephone has an unlisted number.

Rogge said Esquibel, who was promoted to the title of corporal in 1991 and earns \$13.29 an hour, also had worked for the Ruidoso Police Department for several years in the early 1980s.

### Bank closes twice during day hours

Executives with First Savings Bank aren't saying why the business closed and locked its doors twice in the past week during scheduled lobby hours.

The bank, located at 2713 Suderth Dr., locked its doors first on Friday, March 14, at

1:30 p.m. The doors were again locked for a short time Wednesday morning.

"I really have no comment about that," said Dean Rigg, assistant vice president, about the bank being locked. "The doors will not be locked again during business hours."

Police came to the bank to investigate March 14 after a bank customer told them no one at the bank was responding to telephone calls. A bank employee quickly arrived after police and opened the bank's doors. At the time, a handwritten note posted on the door stated, "Back soon, will be closed until 2 p.m. due to staffing problems. Thank you for understanding."

Jim Bunn, bank president, said from his Las Cruces office Wednesday he could not comment on why the bank's doors had been locked. He added that the bank's operations were fine, and that he would issue a statement in several days.

### Teens arrested for stealing liquor

A beer bash in a wooded area north of Capitan led to the arrests of two juveniles and three adults Saturday.

The adults were charged with burglary in connection to the theft of about \$300 of beer and liquor Thursday from the Alto Lakes Country Club, said Lincoln County Undersheriff Cliff Macsas. The 17-year-old boys were referred to juvenile authorities, he said.

The adults are Jerome Mendoza, 19, an employee of the Alto Country Club kitchen; John Shrecengost, 18, from Lincoln; and Shawn McEuen, 19, Capitan.

Mendoza, who bonded out of county jail in Carrizozo on bail set at \$10,000, knew how to disarm the country club's burglar alarm, Macsas said.

Shrecengost was released the same day as his arrest by order of Magistrate Judge William

Butts, according to jail records. McEuen was released without bond to the custody of his father. Sheriff's Deputy Angelo Vega investigated the theft of five cases of beer and several bottles of whiskey, Macsas said. He was called about 9 p.m. Saturday to back up Capitan police officers breaking up a beer party in the forest near Capitan.

Vega was able to match some of the bottles with the inventory reported missing from the country club, the undersheriff said.

### RC&D council meets Tuesday

The South Central Mountain Recreation, Conservation and Development Council Inc. meets at the Lincoln Volunteer Fire Station at 10 a.m. Tuesday, March 25.

Jerry Mattox is on the agenda to discuss the future of historic Fort Stanton.

### Surprise someone with red roses

If you want to surprise someone special with roses today — or just treat yourself — the Ruidoso Evening Lions Club will deliver a dozen to you for \$15.

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### Phoenicians visit Ruidoso area

Forty-five members of the Phoenician Committee of the Phoenix Chamber of Commerce will leave home today, March 21 for a two-day tour of El Paso, Texas, Las Cruces, Alamogordo and Ruidoso.

The group will meet with chambers of commerce, tour businesses and hear about economic development issues.

Stops include the Ruidoso Downs Racetrack, and a fish hatchery in Mescalero.



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### Launching to learn

Ruidoso Middle School eighth graders and science teachers Clifton Neal and Carla Burns watch a balloon take off Feb. 6 as part of the school's annual balloon launch. The yearly science project is aimed at teaching students about weather. Neal said this year's balloons went further than the past five years.

### 'Zozo man faces no jail for molesting children

An admitted child molester apprehended in Carrizozo in January may never serve a day in prison for his crimes.

Steven Lyle Craig, 47, will be sentenced April 18 on a charge related to sex crimes against family members while he was living in Lafayette, Colo., between August 1995 and June 1996. Craig pleaded guilty last week to molesting two children, but most likely will not go to prison under a plea agreement with the Boulder County District Attorney's office.

All but one of the original 10 charges against Craig were dropped because he is a first-time sex offender, said Deputy District Attorney Mary Keenan.

Two boys, ages 12 and 13 at the time of the incidents, complained to authorities after leaving their father's home to live with their mother. Their accusations were combined into a single

charge of sexual assault on a child from a person in a position of trust. Craig originally was charged with three counts of sexual assault, three counts of aggravated incest and four counts of misdemeanor child abuse.

The maximum sentence for the charge would be 16 years in community corrections, Keenan said. The plea agreement stipulated Craig would not serve time in prison, she said, adding that Craig "doesn't appear to be a pedophile" and he should respond to treatment.

"Prison doesn't do him any good," she said. But the final decision will come from District Court Judge Morris Sandstead, who can reject or accept the agreement.

Craig was living with his wife and a 10-year-old son in Carrizozo when he was arrested and sent back to Colorado to face the molestation charges.

### Tribe passes IRS review

by DIANNE STALLINGS  
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

The Mescalero Apache Tribe and its Casino Apache Tribe passed an Internal Revenue Service compliance review last week despite first-time jitters.

The three-day review covered information reports and payroll tax returns filed by the Tribe and casino during the 1995 calendar year, as well as its compliance with Title 31 of the Bank Secrecy Act dealing with casino operations.

The review didn't reveal any major or material noncompliance issues or findings, according to Tribal Treasurer Tom Gallagher. The session was not an audit, since the Tribe is not a taxable entity, he stressed. The review was to determine if W-2 and other forms have been filed.

Tribal President Wendell Chino said he wasn't surprised to learn the IRS review didn't uncover any compliance problems. The Tribe always has tried to maintain a professional, business-like manner in its dealings, he said. The Tribe instituted controls and security measures that exceed those required or recommended by the gaming industry, he added.

The positive feedback on the compliance review came during two exit interviews with IRS agents after the session, Gallagher said.

No formal conclusion letter has been received on the March 10-12 review, Gallagher said. But in exit conferences, tribal officials received positive comments from the IRS agents.

"I felt it was a learning experience for both the IRS and the Tribe," Gallagher said. "It was a very good session. They commented on the professionalism and business-like manner (of the tribal staff)."

Title 31 affects cash transactions at casinos and requires that wagering be tracked daily with an ending report sent to the IRS for totals in excess of \$10,000.

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## Editorial

### Waiting for the other shoe to drop at the Roundhouse

Barring a call for a special session to clean up essential work left undone, the 1997 New Mexico Legislature will close up shop on Saturday.

Whether it will go into the record books as one of the most successful will hinge on what actually happens during the remaining hours.

That's characteristic. Historically, most of the good (and bad) legislation that gets on the books in New Mexico is passed in a last-minute flurry of motions, waivers of third readings, committee recommendations and voice votes. If there isn't a "do-pass" recommendation from a committee, forget it.

Then the stack of approved legislation that might have made it through both houses is sent along to the governor for signature or veto.

The last week of a legislative session is one of sleepless nights, endless arguments, all-night committee sessions and very nervous lobbyists. To a disinterested observer the whole exercise is reminiscent of a cattle auction—sweaty, hectic and colorful. And, as with an auction, sometimes it's hard to tell who bought what until you read the report the next day.

That's when the dismay sets in.

On this particular Legislature's plate as the session disintegrates toward adjournment are big issues of vital interest to a lot of special interests.

Lincoln County's special interest, without question, is Indian gaming. At midweek, it appeared a bill was working its way through the House and into the Senate that would allow Indian gaming compacts with the federal government, at a price. But that price (a 16% take for the state) according to Gov. Gary Johnson might not pass federal muster. He's also said he won't sign off on slot machines for certain resort hotels, bars and such.

So even if the Senate and House get together on a package and send it to Johnson, history would suggest that it still might not become law.

Whatever happens come Saturday, on gaming, on prison financing and all the other hot issues of the session, we can't really expect to know what the outcome is until the governor has done his thing.



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### Put a sewer plant at Ft. Stanton

TO THE EDITOR:

The south-central mountains are becoming a popular place to live and we are gaining population rapidly. With greater population comes more retail sales, sales taxes, etc., but it also brings pollution, a deterioration of groundwater supply and quality through contamination from septic tanks, etc., and waste disposal problems. Since the "experts" haven't come up with any solutions yet, here is an idea for our leaders to consider:

Require all subdivisions, such as Sun Valley, Alto Village, Deer Park Village, Rancho Ruidoso, etc., to install and the residents to hook up to a central sewer system (not permit septic tanks except in the most unusual circumstances).

Run the sewer system east to the Fort Stanton area, which is conveniently downhill most of the way, to a large consolidated waste disposal plant. Have the state prison system run the disposal plant, training and licensing prisoners in wastewater management (good paying and in-demand employment upon release), allowing each participating community/subdivision to claim a pro-rata share of the discharged effluent credit, which counts toward water rights.

New Mexico could then count the treated and discharged waste-

water as part of the drainage basin flow into the Pecos River and part of the amount of water we "owe" Texas. As an aside, there is very little reason not to involve the prison system in solid waste collection/management also.

A plan such as this, which at first glance looks expensive, might not be. Many of the collection sewers are already in place, just not run to an adequate treatment plant. The big cost would be the treatment plant, but getting the state involved to help share the cost (and benefits) would cut down costs to the existing subdivisions. Developers would have to factor in the cost for future developments; and municipalities such as Ruidoso, Ruidoso Downs and Capitan (if they wanted to participate), would be spared the expense of continually upgrading and sizing up their own facilities. We have a "regional solid waste disposal system," why not a regional wastewater treatment plant? Think about it.

Jim Alston  
Ruidoso

### Huge 'thank you' for Bonito VFD

TO THE EDITOR:

I want to extend a huge thank you to the Bonito Volunteer Fire Dept. for all of their courage and determination in fighting the fire here on March 8.

Margaret Bertramsen  
Ruidoso Downs

### Mountain Asides

BY KEITH GREEN  
THE RUIDOSO NEWS

#### A little news: the cat's meow...

Adding a new staff member to any organization requires some adjustment. An even larger dose of adjustment is required when the addition weighs in at about two pounds, has four legs, a swishy tail, and an endless curiosity.

Yep, a teenage female tabby cat has joined the staff of *The Ruidoso News*, and now has about two dozen people under firm and direct control.

As every cat-owner knows, cats are independent, demanding, insatiable, curious, haughty, loving, unpredictable and (most of the time) quite willing to curl up on any available lap and go to sleep.

That's our staff cat to a T. So what to name her? An ongoing tally on a convenient white board at midweek had a neck-and-neck race between "Copycat" and "Typo" with "Lois Lane" a distant third. "Scoop" had one vote and so did "Deadline."

The problem, familiar to New Mexico election-watchers for decades, is that there appears to be more votes cast than there are eligible voters...

Stay tuned; we'll let you know what name prevails. Meanwhile, "Kitty" always gets a response, especially if the cat's awake.

St. Patrick's Day in Ruidoso came and went with no major revolutions to report, but with considerable consumption of corned beef and cabbage in public and private venues.

The Ruidoso Woman's Club probably would rate four stars in Michelin's Guide, as members on Monday served up a banquet, incidentally renewing a tradition that had been by-passed for a few years. This time it was for fun rather than for funds.

Fronting Sudderth, next to the Woman's Club building, is a brand new building.

Gary and Denise Dean have moved into their new Ruidoso Office Supply site, described by Gary Dean as "not a lot bigger than the old location, but much more visible," since it's at one of the major turn-offs for drivers heading up Carrizo Canyon Road toward the Inn of the Mountain Gods.

Parking is plentiful, too. Some of that's for the Woman's Club; naturally, we want to be good neighbors," says Gary.

The Deans are planning something of a grand opening later in the summer.

It'll be a bit of a juggling job for Denise, since she's heavily involved in planning the 26th Annual Ruidoso Art Festival in July.

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## Glorious spring in mountains

This is being sent to you right at noon on March 18, and will reach you on March 21, the second day of Spring.

The apricot trees are coming into full bloom and the bees are humming their work songs with a special tone of gladness after a hard winter.

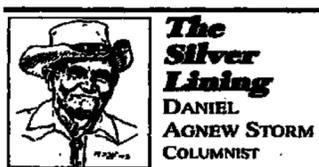
My pet lizard, Oswald, has come out from his winter home under the door step to the front door, blinking as he looks up at the bright sun.

The river is flowing down with the best snow-melt I have seen in years. Last year the river was almost dry down in the orchard country around San Patricio and Hondo, causing the trees to go without water when they needed it worst. This year there will be plenty of water.

So, take it all around, the Luck O' The Irish has come to the mountain world.

Emmett Daniel Downes had invited me on his special Saint Patrick's Day program on Saturday, the 15th of March. He was going to let me dedicate a song or two or maybe sing one, and tell about Lincoln County cowboys of Irish descent.

It would be a chance to hark back to the days when I had my radio show 30 years ago: the Silver Lining of the Air.



**The Silver Lining**  
DANIEL AGNEW STORM  
COLUMNIST

The Reverend Anna Gaddy had made me a new silk green hatband for my new straw hat given to me by my brother Mark. And Mrs. Althea Brownson, widow of my longtime friend Willard Brownson, made me a knitted green pin-on good luck shamrock.

Then on March 12 Emmett called me up and said, "You don't have to be on my show."

I asked him why and he answered, "It's been cancelled." The Irish are world famous as jokers so I said, "You are kidding, aren't you?"

"No," he said, "I wouldn't kid you about something like this."

So there I was, as the old song goes: "All dressed up and no place to go."

### A Friend Lends A Helping Hand

However, the Luck O' The Irish stays always with you. As the years go by and the cowboys grow older or become disabled, it's harder and harder

to find somebody close around who can help you brand.

There were three here on the place that needed to be branded and I looked high and low for somebody to help.

I had left word Friday for Alec Romero to call me and let me know if he could come over Saturday.

At seven o'clock Saturday the phone rang and it was Alec saying he was on his way over.

This boy is the real McCoy, with the cowboy savvy learned from his father, Ruben Romero.

He is the grandson of Lucia Romero who celebrated her 89th birthday on Saint Patrick's Day.

### Birthday Celebration for Lucia Romero

Loved ones and friends of Lucia Romero gathered at her home March 16 to help her celebrate her birthday. All her children and most of her grandchildren were present. Special songs were sung amid great rejoicing.

We all congratulate Lucia on reaching this milestone along life's highway and wish her many happy returns of the day and all God's blessings.

# CAPITAN

## Bomb scare nets students



Two Capitan Middle School students were placed in the custody of their parents Thursday after being accused of authoring a bomb threat at Capitan Middle School.

District Superintendent Diana Billingsley said a teacher noticed a note stuck in a soft drink machine near the principal's office about 8 a.m. The handwritten note read, "Roses are red. Violets are blue. There's a bomb in the school, so what are ya goin' do?"

Capitan police and the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office were notified and the school's 143 students were evacuated from the building, Billingsley said. They waited outside for about an hour while the building was searched and then they returned to classes.

"Principal Bill Mac Veigh told students he would pay a reward for information leading to whoever planted the note," Billingsley said.

A tip quickly led to two girls at the school, which includes grades sixth through eighth. They will face disciplinary action by the district and may face criminal charges, she said. A bomb threat is a fourth-degree felony.

School discipline could range from a short-term suspension to suspension for the remainder of the school year, she said.

Incumbent Capitan School Board members marched into the board meeting last week wearing false noses, mustaches and glasses as a welcome to returning members Tom Trost and Jack King, who during their previous terms on the board often

lightened the mood by donning the disguises. Two extra pairs were shared with King and Trost for this new board portrait. Pictured (left to right) are King, Jim Hobbs, Freda McSwane, Trost and Board President Beverly Payne-Calaway.

## Capitan School District may nix out-of-district students

By Dianne Stallings  
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Crowded on its buses and in its classrooms, the Capitan School District may have to turn down students who live out of district, but hope to go to school in Capitan.

School board members want to hear what parents have to say on the issue. They will include questions about the possibility of banning out-of-district students on a Quality of Education survey to be sent home with students in early May.

Parents will be asked if they support the district's current policy or if they would back a policy to allow out-of-district students.

"We've met enrollment (limits) in several classes and are looking at overcrowding and we don't know where to put them," said board President Beverly Payne-Calaway.

"I get a lot of comments from other district officials why we

allow students to come in here," she said during the board meeting last week. "It hurts their districts. In some cases, they don't have enough students to field sports teams."

"Maybe they ought to find out why their students are choosing our district over theirs," board member James Hobbs said.

Superintendent Diana Billingsley said she doesn't know the exact number of students living in the Capitan district who are going to other schools, but 34-40 students in the district are being schooled at home.

"So if they all came back, we'd be really crowded," said School Board member Jack King.

District Transportation Director Frank Silva asked board members to consider the impact out-of-district students have on transportation, when they begin debating whether to pass a policy against such students.

"We are not (reimbursed by the state) for 65 students we are

hauling," Silva said. The students must provide their own transportation to the district boundary and a designated pick-up point, he said.

When the state counts students on buses to determine whether more buses should be added, those out-of-district students are not considered, Billingsley said. The only exception is students from Hondo, because Capitan has a formal agreement with that district.

Other questions on the survey will deal with parents' opinion of the school curriculum, the physical appearance of the complex, whether they would support a baseball program and the adequacy of the vocational education program.

Elementary School Principal Becca Ferguson urged the board to ask parents who feel strongly for or against an issue to indicate why, so the schools will have ideas about how they can improve.

## Athletic boosters ask for help

by Dianne Stallings  
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Members of the Capitan Athletic Boosters say they're exhausted and are worried that community businesses may tire of being asked to help finance future student activities.

Wynn King and Raynere Greer told school board members their group is shrinking and it's difficult to recruit new supporters. They would like to see more financial help from the district.

School officials said they would look for corporate sponsors as a way of alleviating the financial squeeze.

Greer emphasized that the boosters support raises for teachers this year and also would like to see the increment payments for coaches increased, as well as a new weight room and a second athletic field developed.

But over the last six years the boosters have been working with the board, the number of students

in sports programs have grown. "It seems the more we help, the less financial help we receive from the schools," she said.

While Capitan boosters spend their money on gasoline and the basics for students, other district booster groups use their money to buy meals, new shirts and other extras.

"Are they doing something we don't know how to do?" King asked board members. "It seems every time we turn around, the programs are screaming for money."

"We're wearing our community out (asking for money) for sports, band, cheerleaders, trophies, helmets, special trips and meals. The community can only support so much and it's done an excellent job for us."

Superintendent Diana Billingsley said sports programs are supported through the district's operational budget, gate receipts from competitions and

the activities fund (generated by outside events and fund-raising).

"The percentage we spend (from the operating budget) is as much or more than other districts spend our size," she said. The district does not oversee the booster group or other money-raising efforts.

King said the boosters are working hard to buy helmets, balls and other equipment in an effort not to limit the number of students who can participate in sports.

"But we can only do so much by ourselves," King said. "There are three or four of us and when that's gone, our programs are going to die."

Transportation director, Frank Silva suggested that corporate sponsors be solicited.

Board President Beverly Payne Calaway suggested high school athletic director Gerald Montes contact four or five corporations.



Joe Ferrell, manager of the new Farmers Country Market in Capitan, says customers will be happy with a larger selection of meats, produce and other items, as well as longer operating hours, including Sunday.

## Farmers-Country Market moves into Capitan grocery

By Dianne Stallings  
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

More produce, more meat, more staff and more hours were the bonuses for customers when Farmers Country Market opened in Capitan earlier this month.

On March 3, the Roswell-based operation took over Cummins Grocery, a family-run landmark in the village.

"We saw a great opportunity for customers and for us," said store manager Joe Ferrell, who previously managed a Farmers Country Market in Texas and most recently was assistant manager of the store in Roswell on Hobbs Street.

"We're looking to expand all the time and we saw an opportunity to serve the area with something they were not receiving before," Ferrell said. "Capitan is growing, and we're also getting customers from Carrizozo, Alto, Lincoln and Hondo. One man drove in from 56 miles out in the middle of nowhere. These people

used to have to drive to Roswell or Ruidoso. People here have been extremely friendly and accepted us with open arms."

Customers are excited about the store being open seven days a week instead of six, and about being able to choose from more produce and meat selections, he said.

"We've added about 300-350 new items across the store," Ferrell said.

Seven new employees also were hired to handle the longer hours and Sunday opening, he said.

"We're extremely excited to be in the community and look forward to meeting everyone," said Ferrell, who has been with the company six years.

What customers see today is not the end of the expansion, Ferrell said.

When the U.S. Post Office moves from its location at the end of the market building later this year to a spot next to the Capitan

Country Store, Ferrell anticipates expanding into that space.

"We're going to take on more and more all the time and give the community what it needs and wants," he said.

Former owners David and Deborah Cummins have no immediate plans to leave Capitan, Mrs. Cummings said. She will continue in her job as village clerk, and her husband is checking out colleges to take refrigeration courses.

"Whether we stay depends on where the best school is," she said. "We haven't had much time to plan. It took weeks just getting 45 years worth of things out of the store. And David stayed a week after the (transfer) to help."

Cummins' mother and father, who previously ran the store, moved to Albuquerque when the younger Cummins took over a few years ago.

The store's new hours are 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Sunday.

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## BUSINESS

# Reopening a chapter of Old Lincoln County history

by JULIE BAXTER  
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

History has it that Deputy Sheriff Robert Olinger went to his death at the hands, and guns, of Billy the Kid with a belly full of food from the Wortley Hotel.

Now, 116 years later the Wortley is knocking 'em dead all over again with its menu fare and authentic atmosphere, minus the deadly gunfights. Re-opened after 45 days of renovation, the centerpiece of Lincoln has taken rein of the past in hopes of riding high into the future.

With hardwood on the floors, lace curtains on the windows and a painting of Pat Garrett, the Wortley's most famous owner, on the wall, the feel of the hotel is much like it must have been in the late 1800s. The decor recalls a time when dust-parched, wind-blown travelers sought solace from the desert sun inside the Wortley's wooden walls and shaded porch. Despite its destruction by a 1934 fire, the hotel was painstakingly rebuilt in 1960 to resemble the legend of the West it was in Garrett and William H. Bonney's day. Now the Wortley of the present is lovingly preserving the Wortley of the past.

The Lincoln County Trust, which owns the hotel, and the Wortley staff are banking on the hotel's rich and varied history to draw in a new generation of visitors. Keeping with the spirit of the 1880s, guests at the Wortley will find the staff decked out in authentic period clothing, ranging from muler's boots and high-collar shirts on the men to long, corset-waisted, bustled, high-neckline dresses on the women.

"We have about 40,000 tourists come through here a year from all over the world," said Wortley manager Joe Salazar. "They kind of expect it (to see the historical garb)."

The history also is a selling point for locals.



Colleen Salazar sits at the bar in the newly opened saloon portion of the Wortley Hotel, as her husband, Joe, chef John Thompson and wine steward Ben Leasure stand behind her. When the historic hotel was closed 45 days for renovation, room number one was converted to house the bar.

"So many of the local people have history connected to the Wortley," said Joe's wife, Colleen Salazar, who works for the Lincoln County Trust. "The locals have a lot of love for this hotel because of their family histories."

The Salazars also have a personal love for the Wortley — it's where the now-married couple met 21 years ago when they each took on jobs at the hotel. "We're just thrilled because the whole community feels that (same) way about the Wortley," Colleen added.

The menu also is a draw at the Wortley, which first opened its doors as "Murphy's mess" in 1872 to feed and house the men who were at work building L.G. Murphy's "Big Store."

"We're real proud of the staff that we have now and the type of food we're serving," said Joe Salazar. "We're breaking records every day."

Chef John Thompson and

wine steward Ben Leasure have taken great care to craft a menu of food and spirits that complement each other and suit any taste.

Thompson has 28 years experience in the food and beverage industry, a career that has taken him across the country and the globe. Lunch items he's put on the menu run from the traditional burger and fries to the exceptional pasta and Chicken Waldorf salads. Dinner delights include steaks, chicken, fish and more, not to mention some delectable desserts. Thompson also plans to add Southwest Nouveau cuisine in the future.

Leasure has selected wines from vineyards across the country, including Santa Fe, to add to a dining experience at the Wortley, as well as a score of beers from across the world and a nice port or two.

For those who prefer a little of the supernatural with their meal or overnight stay in one of the Wortley's seven rooms, the his-

toric hotel also is reputed to have a few ghosts. A lady in white visits room three, Colleen said. Some historians guess she haunts the Wortley because of a wedding-day tragedy. Joe said one theory for the ghost's materializations is that she and her fiancé eloped, but the marriage was short-lived because the bride's family killed the groom in anger and the bride then killed herself.

Other features at the Wortley the Salazars and posse are hoping to attract attention with include the smoking room stocked full of Phillipine cigars and the hotel's non-profit ties with the Lincoln County Trust. Colleen Salazar said the relationship is ripe with possibilities for group tours, family reunions and other gatherings.

Leasure, a local artist, also plans to move his studio and gallery from Ruidoso to the Wortley to add yet another appeal.

"The Wortley is the heartbeat of Lincoln," Colleen added, "and without it the town's not full."

## A whirlwind history of the Wortley Hotel

Originally built in 1872, the historic Wortley Hotel was first operated by L.G. Murphy. Providing meals and lodging for the men who were at work building Murphy's Big Store, the imposing two-story adobe building across the street which later became the Lincoln County Courthouse, it was first known as "Murphy's mess." Later, it came to be known by the name of its cook Sam Wortley.

During terms of court it was occupied by judges, lawyers, lawmen and other official visitors. The Wortley was the site of Deputy Sheriff Robert Olinger's last lunch on April 28, 1881, the day his famous prisoner Billy the Kid made his escape from the courthouse. Having heard the gunshot from the jail, Olinger quickly left the hotel to check on his prisoner and was killed by Billy the Kid as he entered the side yard of the courthouse.

The hotel was operated by a succession of owners almost continuously, including famous Billy the Kid slayer Pat Garrett, until 1934 when it burned to the ground. In 1960, the Wortley was carefully rebuilt as a replica of the original by the Old Lincoln County Memorial Commission and the State of New Mexico. The plan for the new building was carefully based on old photographs and excavations of the old foundation.

The new building sits on the foundations of the original and some say the remains of the original adobes were used to make the new ones, as they were made on site. A modern kitchen and plumbing were added and the Wortley once again became the center of Lincoln.

The Wortley sits behind a white picket fence down the street from the old Lincoln County Courthouse. Along the front is a 92-foot porch where guests can view the beauty of the surrounding hills and mountain peaks. Part of the porch is enclosed for dining. The seven guest rooms are furnished and maintained in the style of the late 1880s, complete with brass beds and antique vanities.

The dining room, full of country charm, is open from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 4:30 to 9 p.m. seven days a week and for brunch on Sundays.

— Information courtesy of the Wortley Hotel

We're so excited about (the reopening), we can't imagine anyone not being excited."

"It's going to be a great place,"

Thompson said. "I recommend it not only because I'm the chef here, but because it's a true experience of the past."

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# BUSINESS

## Everybody needs a little TLC

by JULIE BAXTER  
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Nestled in a nook between Schatzky's Deli and Santana Ltd., A Little T.L.C. Crafter's Mall doesn't look large enough to hold a treasure trove of arts and crafts. But shoppers shouldn't be deceived; this little corner in Pine Tree Square houses a wealth of goodies from 30 area crafters.

**"We're just trying to be the complete gift store."**

PATRICIA BAXTER  
A LITTLE T.L.C. CO-OWNER

"It's a lot bigger than it looks," said co-owner Patricia Baxter. "There's so many talented people here."

A Little T.L.C. opened its doors 10 days ago and Baxter said response has been fantastic — just what she'd hoped for. The central idea behind the indoor bazaar is to give local artists and craft makers a place to display their works, without giving up their proverbial day jobs.

"I wanted to get all the local talent in one place," Baxter said. "A lot of them would love to have their own shops. Here, they can have a storefront and still hold their other jobs."

Craft choices at T.L.C. encompass a world of arts such as soft-sculptured dolls, country carvings, teddy bears, hand-painted blue jeans, dried flower arrangements, paintings, sugar eggs for Easter and children's clothing. Baxter said she's impressed with the skill that stocks her shelves.

"A lot of these ladies say 'I'm so glad you did this because I didn't think I had any talent,'" Baxter said. Now those same ladies are coming up with clever ideas faster than they can craft them into custom-made handiworks. Again, that's just the reaction Baxter was hoping for.

Aside from the abundance of art and crafts fare, a few shopping selections are near and dear to Baxter's heart.

"Baby Bundles" are Baxter's own copyrighted creations. The soft-sculptured dolls/hand puppets are her pride and joy. Because they're so special, the dolls only land on the shelves a few times a year, Baxter said, adding that they are on display



Julie Baxter/The Ruidoso News

A Little T.L.C. — Crafter's Mall co-owners Patricia Baxter and Bill Heath stand near the teddy bear corner of their store. Baxter is holding one of her copyrighted "Baby Bundles" dolls. The large bear in the background is nicknamed Cinnamon Bear and Baxter said he's there just for hugs.

right now but she'll only sell 10 of them.

Teddy bears bedecked in biker jackets, poodle skirts and any other outfit imaginable are also special to Baxter because of her affinity for Cinnamon Bear. Baxter said she was fond of the 150-pound black bear that was shot and killed last fall by a Ruidoso Brady Canyon resident. To honor the fallen baby bear, Baxter takes in "orphaned" teddy bears, gives them a makeover and then donates the proceeds of their sale to the Lincoln County Humane Society.

Her generosity isn't extended to animals alone; Baxter also has plans for craft classes at T.L.C.

She plans to share her skills with both adults and children on topics ranging from garbage art to cake decorating. A schedule hasn't been set for what and when, but Baxter said anyone who's interested can stop by the store in the shopping center at 2810 Sudderth Dr. and pick up more information.

In the meantime, art and craft admirers can find all their hearts' desires at A Little T.L.C.

"We're just trying to be the complete gift store," Baxter said. "If we don't have it, there's so much talent here that one of these vendors can make it. There's no reason for anyone to leave here empty handed."



Julie Baxter/The Ruidoso News

Museum of the Horse curator of Education Jim Dickinson shows members of a National Tour Association group the finer points of a 12-person, western stagecoach that once belonged to Buffalo Bill.

## Tour touts pleasures of Ruidoso

A tour for the tour industry hit town this week, leaving local community promoters hoping for more visitors in its wake.

Seventeen members of the National Tour Association took a four-day jaunt through southern New Mexico to learn about all of the enchantments this corner of the Land of Enchantment has to offer. The March 16-19 tour hit El Paso, Guadalupe National Park, White City, Carlsbad Caverns and Roswell before arriving in Ruidoso Monday.

The group's first stop was in Ruidoso Downs for a glimpse of the Free Spirits at Noisy Water sculpture and a walk through the Museum of the Horse. From there they traveled on to Ruidoso

for dinner at Che Bella and an overnight stay.

Tuesday morning, the tour of tour operators headed out to the Flying J Ranch for breakfast and entertainment. Then they were off to Lincoln, Capitan, Alamogordo, Las Cruces. The tour ended Wednesday with a trip to Camino Real before heading back to Albuquerque for the National Tour Association Tour Operator Spring Meet.

The trip drew tour operators and wholesalers from Texas, Kansas, Missouri, Colorado, New Hampshire, Tennessee, California, Pennsylvania, Vermont, Arizona, Oregon, Illinois and Canada. The intent behind the tour is to spark more

tourism in the region.

"We've been working on this for months," said Sandi Kuykendall of the Ruidoso Convention and Visitors Bureau. "There's an opportunity to get a lot of visitors from something like this."

Kuykendall explained that wooing those who book the tours is crucial, because if they are turned on about a vacation spot they convey that excitement to their customers. She hopes that the visit also will make the visitors more Ruidoso aware.

"People expect all of New Mexico to be desert and are so surprised to see how beautiful Ruidoso is," Kuykendall said. "This (tour) is better than any picture or brochure."

## BUSINESS BRIEFS

### Jordan named Emerald winner

Peggy Jordan, a Realtor with Century 21/Aspen Real Estate, has received the 1996 Emerald Award from the Century 21 Regional Masters Program.

Her consistently high production and quality service were cited as reasons for her selection.

Jordan also received the Ruidoso Board of Realtors Multi-Million Dollar Producer Award for 1996.



Peggy Jordan

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The following interest rates on certificates of deposit and new car loans were reported March 20 from local banks.

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6 months	5.15%
1 year	5.35%

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Pioneer Savings Bank	
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STATEWIDE...The New Mexico Livestock Board is investigating several livestock shootings in the Socorro area, along with some in the Silver City area. Between November 7, 1996 thru November 17, 1996 there were 22 head of livestock shot and killed.

New Mexico Crimestoppers is offering up to \$1,000.00 for information that leads to the arrests and indictment of the person(s) responsible for the killing of livestock. An additional reward is also being offered by the New Mexico Cattle Growers Association. If you have any information about this crime or any other felony crimes, please call the 24-hour hotline at 1-800-432-6933. You will remain anonymous even when you collect your cash reward.

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# Council reviews garbage service survey Tuesday

The Ruidoso Village Council will talk about its survey of residents concerning garbage service at its Tuesday meeting.

The council meets at 6:30 p.m. about the following items:

- A public hearing on an amendment to the village's Water Contingency Plan. Village Manager Gary Jackson said the amendments are to add flexibility to the plan adopted by the Council in 1994 and amended in 1996. One of the proposed amendments would allow residents to use containers to water flower beds and potted plants

during water contingency Phases I through V.

- A public hearing on establishing term limitations for village boards and commissions. Jackson said only one board presently has term limitations. The proposed term limits for all the boards and commissions is two consecutive terms.

- Results from the public survey about Ruidoso's garbage collection service will be announced in a report from the special committee on solid waste, Jackson said. Also, the committee will ask the Council for direction in its

negotiations with the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority to improve service, Jackson said.

- Creation of a committee to study proposed development fees. Jackson said state law requires an exhaustive study before a municipality may charge development fees. The Capital Improvements Advisory Committee would, by law, have 40% of its members from development and real estate fields.
- Representatives are to be appointed for talks with Lincoln County officials about funding for village services provided to

county residents.

- Jackson is scheduled to initiate discussion with the Council about a strategic planning process the village may undertake later this year.
- A public hearing on a zone map amendment to two lots in the White Mountain Estates Subdivision. The amendment would change the zoning from high-density residential, such as that needed for apartment buildings, to multi-family residential, such as the zoning needed for construction of a triplex.
- The scheduling of a public

hearing on April 29 for a zone map amendment to six lots in the Forest Heights subdivision.

- Acceptance of the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program for contracts involved with Airport Development Grant Assistance.
- Approval of an agreement for government funding of the Non-Directional Beacon at the Sierra Blanca Regional Airport.
- Award a bid for construction of a vehicle maintenance shop.
- Approval of out-of-state travel for Chief of Police Lanny

Maddox to Phoenix, Ariz., for the Rocky Mountain Information Network Executive Board meeting on May 27.

- Approval to apply for a \$9,000 federal grant for a part-time crime victims' liaison with the Ruidoso Police Department.

In closed session, the Council is scheduled to discuss the following:

- Pending litigation in which the village of Ruidoso is or may become a participant.
- Collective bargaining strategy.

## RUIDOSO PLANNING COMMISSION

The Ruidoso Planning and Zoning Commission has decided to hold a public hearing April 15 on the three following zone text amendments:

- Hillside protection regulations
- Driveway requirements for single family and duplex development
- Regulations regarding street signs

The Commission also took the

following actions Tuesday at its regular meeting:

- Despite the objections of about five residents, the Commission approved a rezoning request to allow mobile homes on six lots between Mechem Drive and Ranier Road, slightly north of University Drive, said Tim Vega, planning and zoning office manager. The lots are presently zoned for commercial use. At least one of the

residents' objecting to the rezoning said the mobile homes would reduce neighboring land values. The Ruidoso Council is to discuss the issue at its meeting March 25, and is scheduled to vote on it April 29.

- The Commission tabled a request for vacation of public right-of-way in the Ponderosa Heights subdivision at the applicant's request.
- The Commission approved

an amendment to a commercial development site in the Ruidoso Springs subdivision. The amendment would allow the applicant, Marilyn Patterson, to open a sandwich shop at 2536 Sudderth Drive.

- The Commission approved a request from Wayne Townsend to amend a commercial site's zoning for a mini-storage business on Cree Meadows Drive across from Ruidoso Village Hall.

## Brett Williams

Brett Williams, 37, of Ketchum, Idaho, died in his home Saturday, March 15.

He was born March 23, 1959, the son of Donald L. and Helen Marie Wohlford Williams. He was married to Anne Bleakley of San Angelo, Texas, on May 1, 1993.

He was a graduate of Central High School and attended Angelo State University. He worked in the survey business in San Angelo for Wilson, Williams, Langhor & Associates for many years and in Albuquerque.

He had been in the construction business the last six years in Ruidoso and in Sun Valley, Idaho. He was well known as an artist and a craftsman. He was an avid skier, mountain biker and outdoorsman.

He is survived by his wife, Anne Williams, of Ketchum, Idaho; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Donald L. Williams of San Angelo; one sister, Jan Williams Henderson and her husband Craig of San Angelo; an aunt, Mrs. Jerit Wohlford of Fort Smith, Texas; his cousins, Mr. Charlie Wohlford and his wife Kim of Fort Smith, and Mrs. Cindy Perkins and her husband Wylie of San Antonio, Texas; and by many people whose lives he touched with kindness, love and humor.

Services are pending at Johnson Funeral Home.

## Martha J. Salyer

Martha J. Salyer, 79, affectionately known as "Cricket" to family and friends, died Tuesday, March 18, at the Aspen House in

## OBITUARIES

### Las Cruces.

Cricket was born in Portsmouth, Ohio on Sept. 19, 1917. She resided in Las Cruces for the last four years. Cricket was a retired elementary school teacher from Albuquerque Public Schools. She was active in St. Mary's Episcopal Church and volunteered at St. Martin's Hospitality Center in Albuquerque. She enjoyed playing golf at Four Hills Country Club.

She is survived by a son, Stephen Early and wife Jeanette of Las Cruces; three daughters, Ann Decker of Seattle, Wash., Mary Noltensmeyer and husband Dave of Ruidoso, and Joan Quirici and husband Bob of Albuquerque; grandchildren Susan Mullins and husband Dave, and Stephanie Romero and husband Kevin all of Las Cruces.

Kerry and Sean Decker both of Seattle, Wash., and Lindsey Noltensmeyer of Ruidoso; and two great-grandchildren, Melissa Mullins and Kenny Romero, both of Las Cruces.

Cricket was preceded in death by her husband, Jack P. Salyer. Visitation will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 19, at Getz Funeral Home in Las Cruces. The funeral service will be 1 p.m. Thursday, March 20, also at Getz Funeral Home, with Fr. Charles DeVries officiating. Burial will take place at 1:30 p.m. Friday, March 21, at Santa Fe National Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association New Mexico Chapter, 1-800-777-8155 or to Mesilla Valley Hospice, 299 E. Montana, Las Cruces, NM 88005 (505) 523-4700.

## RUIDOSO'S THREE-DAY WEATHER OUTLOOK

SATURDAY High ... 56  
Low ... 30



SUNDAY High ... 66  
Low ... 27



MONDAY High ... 60  
Low ... 32



## WEATHER ALMANAC

Ruidoso Readings	High	Low	Precip.
Tuesday	58	28	.00"
Wednesday	67	22	.00"
Thursday	70	27	.00"
Regional-Friday	High	Low	Forecast
Albuquerque	79	39	Sunny
El Paso, TX	87	43	Sunny
Lubbock, TX	90	45	Sunny
Midland, TX	91	47	Sunny



### March phases of the moon



**STARDATE** March 23: Full moon of March, called the Crow Moon, Lenten Moon, or Sap Moon. A partial lunar eclipse will be visible from most of the Americas. The moon will enter the dark inner portion of the Earth's shadow at 7:57 p.m. MST and exit at 11:21 p.m. MST March 24. At the eclipse's peak, Earth's shadow will cover 92.4 percent of the moon's diameter.

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## NCAA SCORES

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Utah 82, Stanford 77 (OT)  
Kent. vs. St. Joseph's, late game  
UCLA vs. Iowa State, late game

## SPORTS SHORTS

### Basketball tourney deadline March 28

Deadline to enter the "Leather & Lace" basketball tournament slated for April 4-6 in Mesalero is Friday, March 28.

The men's open tournament is limited to those 6-feet and under. Cost to enter is \$150. Deposit of \$100 is required. The tournament will be limited to 18 teams, 10 players per roster.

First-place team members will receive jackets and a plaque. Individual awards and plaques will be presented for second through fifth. Awards for sportsmanship, high point, hustle, all-tournament and most valuable player will be given out as well.

For more information, call Gleda Bob at 671-4346, or Christine Kozine at 671-4741.

### Second benefit golf scramble on Sunday

The second of four benefit golf scrambles for the Ruidoso Warrior golf teams will be at 12:30 p.m. Sunday at Alto Lakes Country Club.

The cost is \$25 per player plus cart fees with proceeds going to transportation and meal expenses for the RHS girls and boys golf teams.

Players may pay \$85 for all four scrambles, and receive a 1997 Warrior golf team ballcap. Each tournament will have at least \$500 in prizes.

Each player will be matched according to handicap in an A-B-C-D format, and will have at least one Warrior golfer assigned to a team.

The remaining schedule includes: April 6 at the Links of Sierra Blanca and April 13 at the Inn of the Mountain Gods.

## SKI REPORT

The snow report for Ski Apache for Friday, March 21:

Inches of new snow in past 24 hours: 0. Inches of new in past 48 hours: 0. New snow in last seven days: 0.

Snow base: varies from 49 to 79 inches on trails open.

Snow surface: Machine groomed and variable spring snow.

Number of trails open: 55 of 55, 100% open.

Lifts open: 11 of 11, including the Gondola, chairs 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and two surface lifts.

Regular, non-holiday ticket pricing is in effect. Half-day tickets are sold for afternoon skiing beginning at 1 p.m. Call (505) 257-9001 for the latest conditions at Ski Apache.

Ski Apache will remain open through Easter Sunday, March 30.

## CALENDAR

### THURSDAY, MARCH 20

Baseball  
Ruidoso versus Lake Arthur, 1 p.m. at the Eunice Tournament.

### FRIDAY, MARCH 21

Baseball  
Ruidoso at Eunice Tournament, TBA

### SATURDAY, MARCH 22

Track & Field  
Ruidoso boys and girls, and Captain boys and girls at Rose Relays in Tularosa, 9:30 a.m.

Golf  
Ruidoso girls at New Mexico Military Institute Invitational, TBA

Baseball  
Ruidoso at Eunice Tournament, TBA

### SUNDAY, MARCH 23

Golf  
Ruidoso boys and girls benefit golf team scramble at Alto Lakes Country Club, 12:30 p.m.



Laura Clymer/The Ruidoso News

The Ruidoso cheerleading squad heads to Albuquerque in hopes of reclaiming the Class AAA state championship. The Warriors have finished in second place the last two years after winning the title in 1994.

## Cheerleading championships features a battle of the spirits

by LAURA CLYMER  
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Ruidoso's rivalry with Silver High School extends beyond the playing fields and benches. It reaches to the sidelines, where the cheerleading squad's gritted jaws hide behind spectacular smiles.

The Ruidoso/Silver rivalry heats up again this weekend when the schools' cheerleading squads meet in the Class AAA State Cheerleading Championships in Albuquerque Saturday.

The Warriors finished second last year to Silver, and second the year before to Bernalillo. Ruidoso brought home the state championship three years ago when this year's captain Amy Andrews was a freshman.

"It's been a long year, and we've overcome a lot of things. We hope to come home with a state championship," Andrews said.

Ruidoso and Silver should be the favorites in the "performance cheer" category, said Warrior coach Kim Graham. Bernalillo no longer has a coach to sponsor its team, and from what she's seen, Ruidoso and Silver dominate the south. The only surprise might be a team from up north, she said.

"We don't get a chance to see the northern schools," Graham said.

Ruidoso's squad will perform a three-minute routine which features stunts, cheers and a dance drill to music. Judges will rate the routine's difficulty, stunts, voice, transitions and use of music, among other things.

The Warriors started practicing their current routine last October. They made some major adjustments in January, and have spent the last couple of months refining it.

Unlike other sports like football or basketball, cheerleading squads have just two major competitions: state and nationals, Andrews said.

"In basketball or football you have games all season long, and your games last 40 minutes or so," Andrews said. "In cheerleading you work

all year for three minutes. It's a stressful thing. It's a one-shot deal, and your one shot isn't very long."

Members of this year's team are: seniors Andrews, Jessica Estrada, Yesenia Figueroas, Suzanne Flannery, Kyla Henry, Somer Paxton, Lisa Reyes, Sheha Reyes; junior Dawn Rankin; sophomores Rebecca Echols, Erica Oxford; and freshmen Kiley Gifford, Jayla Miller, Lindsey Notensmeyer and Amy Van Winkle.

### History won't be made

Justo Quintano, the lone Warrior of the Ruidoso High School cheerleading squad, found out just two days before the state championships that he won't be making the trip.

Quintano was to be the first Ruidoso boy to participate in the state championships, but he was removed from the squad Thursday for disciplinary reasons.

Quintano's presence would have been somewhat of an anomaly for high school competition, although men are no strangers to college cheer squads, Coach Graham said. "Kentucky, who won the national championship, had two guys for every girl," Graham noted.

Karen Honeycutt, NMAA assistant director, is a former cheer coach and dance drill coach at Albuquerque High School. She remembers boys participating on cheer squads back in 1978.

Honeycutt said 10 high school teams will compete in Saturday's coed division - seven Class AAAA schools and three Class AAA schools.

In order to qualify for the coed team, two or more males must be on the squad. Teams with one male compete in the regular division, Honeycutt said.

"What the state is seeing is more male involvement in the squads where they're doing the partner stunting, and that could be from watching the national championships," Honeycutt said.

## Baseball team moves into Eunice Tournament semis

Even though their classmates start spring break today, Warrior athletes will be busy this weekend. Who's on deck for Ruidoso?

Rodney Webb's Ruidoso baseball team posted an 11-6 victory over Lake Arthur Thursday in the first round of the Eunice Tournament.

Ruidoso plays Jal, 9-8 winners over NMMI, in a 3:30 p.m. semifinal contest today (Friday). On the mound for Ruidoso will be Ricky Pacini, who will get his first start of the season.

In the Lake Arthur game, junior shortstop Scott Sebastian smacked a two-run homer in the top of the seventh inning to seal the win for the Warriors, who evened their season mark to 1-1.

Senior Billy Rogge worked six innings, yielding four hits, seven walks and six runs while striking out four Panthers. Senior Andy Friberg pitched the seventh inning for Ruidoso.

The Warriors banged out a dozen hits. More important, the Ruidoso defense played errorless baseball.

"Lake Arthur really impressed me," Warrior coach Rodney Webb said.

If the Warriors win today, they'll play in a 6 p.m. championship Saturday. If they lose, they'll play for third place at 3:30 p.m.

Ruidoso 11, Lake Arthur 6  
RHS.....2..0..2..1..3..0.....3-11  
LAHS.....1..1..0..1..0..3.....0-6

## WARRIOR WEEKEND

WP - B. Rogge (1-0), LP - Johnson (N/A). Ruidoso individuals: S. Sebastian 2-5, 2R, 3RBI, 2-run HR; R. Pacini 3-4, 2B; and B. Rogge 2-5, 2 R, 3SB.

### Warriors linksters post strong showing

Junior Heather Stephens led the Ruidoso girls golf team to an eighth-place team finish at the El Paso Amigo Golf Tournament March 14 and 15. Stephens shot a two-day total of 190 to finish in the top 10, medaling for the tourney.

The Warriors played well in their first tournament of the spring season, said girls coach Les Carter.

Ruidoso travels to Roswell for the New Mexico Military Institute's invitational Saturday.

### Tracksters opt for Tulie

Ronny Maskew's boys and girls track teams will stop 15 miles short of their original destination Saturday, running in Tularosa's Rose Relays instead of Alamogordo's White Sand Relays.

Why are Warriors going to Tulie, and not Alamo? Because district foes Silver and Cobre will be in Tulie, Maskew said.

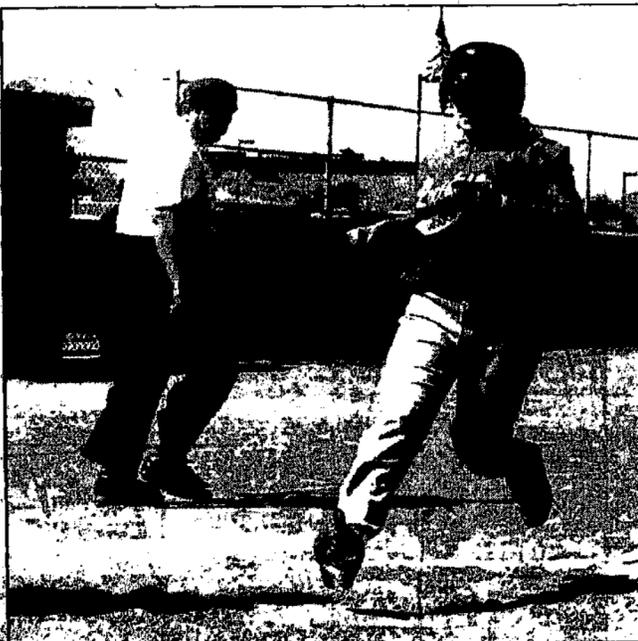
Ruidoso will join Lincoln County sibling school Capitan at Saturday's meet, which begins at 9:30 a.m.



Laura Clymer/The Ruidoso News

### Fiddlin' fisherman

It took just 30 minutes Tuesday for world-champion fiddler Bart Trotter (right) to catch this 21-1/4-inch brown trout from Grindstone Lake in Ruidoso. Trotter used a Pistol Pete bait, and paid attention to the wise words of his guide "Stoney" Stonestreet (left).



Courtesy photo

Ruidoso freshman Aquilina Herrera scores a run during the Warriors' doubleheader against Los Lunas. Herrera is one of Ruidoso's leading hitters with a .400 batting average.

## Young Warrior softball squad learning from its tough competition

by LAURA CLYMER  
Ruidoso News Sports Writer

No one can accuse Ruidoso softball coach Brian Baca of padding his schedule. That's because the first-year Warrior coach wants his girls to see how the "big girls" play the game.

Ruidoso fell to 0-5 on the season, after being shut out by the Belen Eagles Wednesday, 17-0.

"We've pretty much faced three well-established programs in Alamogordo, Los Lunas and Belen," Baca said. "We've played three really good teams so far. We did that on purpose so they could see top quality teams. We want to show them what's out there. We're not building a team for a year; we're building a program for years to come."

Despite the 0-5 mark, Baca and assistant coach Billy Page are pleased with the progress of the young Warriors.

"The girls have come a long way. It's hard to build a program without much experience," said Baca, who starts six freshmen, two sophomores and a senior. "They just don't have the softball sense yet (that comes with experience)."

What Ruidoso lacks in experience, it makes up for in effort and attitude.

"The surprise is the number of girls we've have come out. They're sticking with it and working hard," Baca said.

Unlike slo-pitch softball, fast pitch is a game of

pitching first. Freshman Tiffany Harris has handled the pressure of being the Warriors' No. 1 starter, with her consistency. Backing her up are sophomore Amy Hemphill and freshmen Aquilina Herrera and Krystal McNutt.

"It's kind of discouraging, but we know when we're seniors we'll be good," McNutt said. "I'm glad we've got a program. Hopefully we'll get better support later on."

Hitting has proven more natural for Ruidoso. Through four games, the Warriors have four players batting .400 or better.

Freshman leadoff batter Cassi Bednorz has a nifty .451 average. She's followed by Aquilina Herrera, Sara Fromknecht and Elizabeth Figueroa - all own .400 averages.

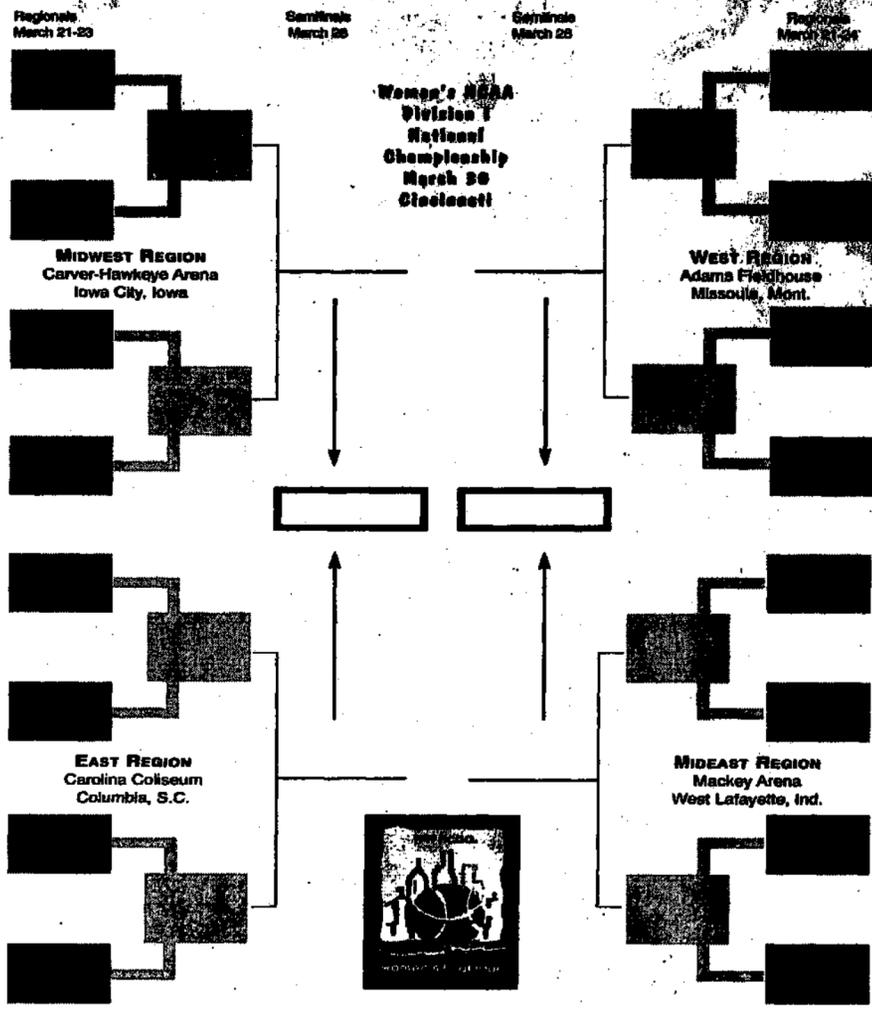
The Warriors return to the diamond April 3 for their first home game of the season, a 5 p.m. contest with Alamogordo. Until then, Baca's team will focus on the fundamentals.

"It's a game of hitting, catching and throwing," Baca said. That's what the Warriors will work on over spring break.

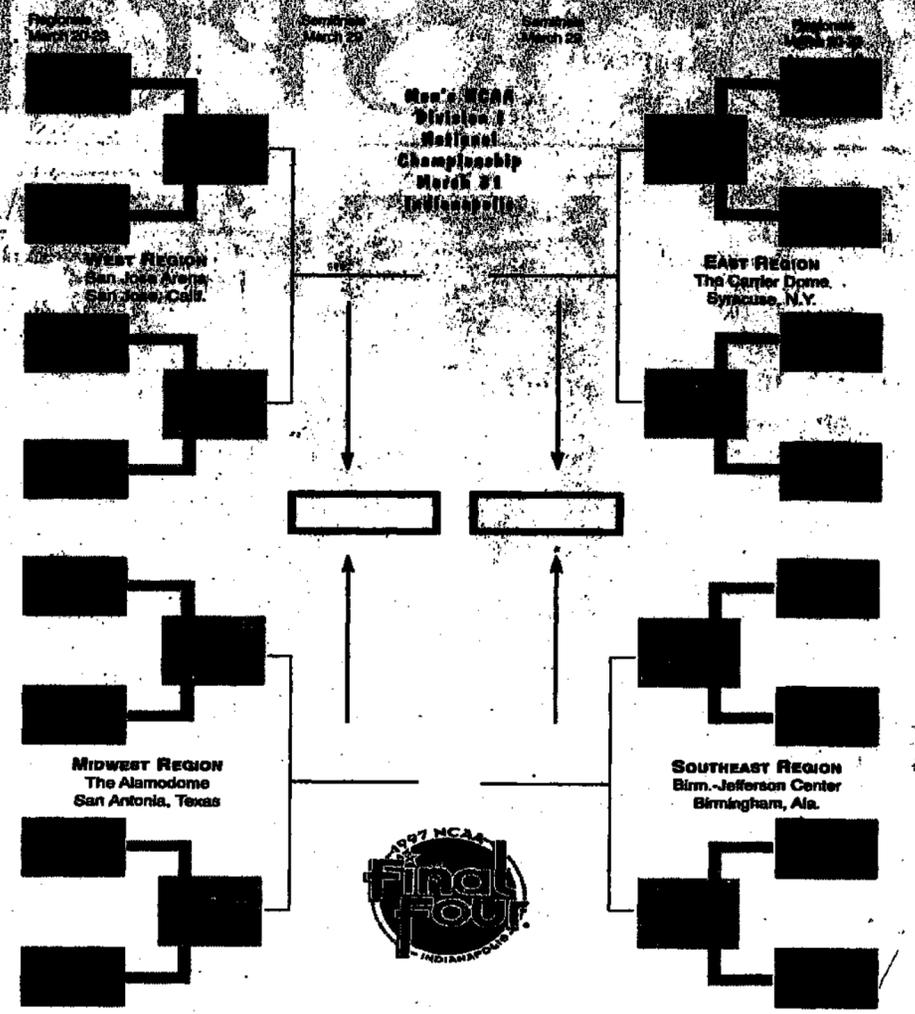
"Instead of preparing for another team. We're going to work with the Warriors, and get ourselves better," Baca said.

DRUMBEATS: Alamogordo swept the Warriors March 13, 25-9 and 31-20. Then, Los Lunas won a pair, 19-8 and 24-0, March 15.

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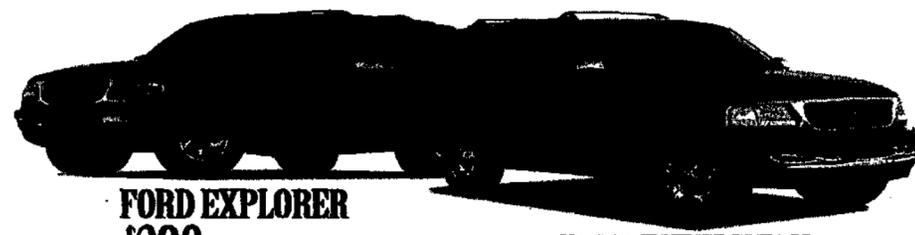
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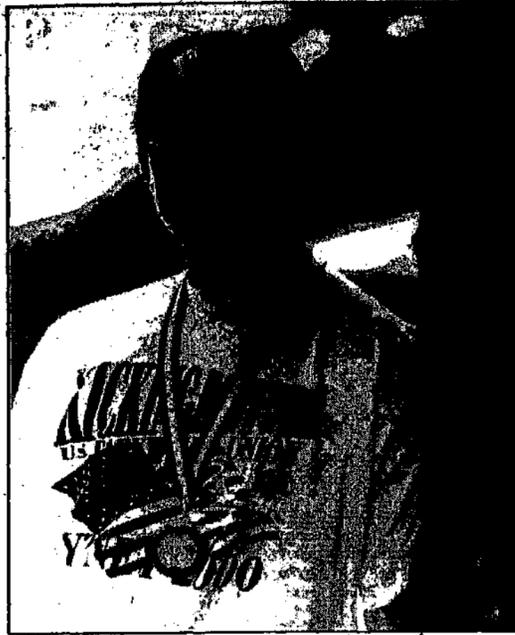
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Ruidoso's Shane Hutson has set his sights on the 2004 Olympics.

## Ruidosoan wins Tae Kwon Do state gold medal

Ruidoso's Shane Hutson brought home a gold medal last week from the New Mexico State Tae Kwon Do championships.

The 26-year-old went 3-0 on his way to capturing the gold medal in the men's open division, green belt level. It was Hutson's first state tournament.

The New Braunfels, Texas native now has set his sights on the 2004 Olympic Games.

"It's a full-medal Olympic sport. It will be in the 2000 Sydney games," Hutson said.

Hutson trains with Tae Kwon Do instructor Brett Maul. Maul offers classes every Tuesday and Thursday at the Ruidoso Athletic Club, but Hutson and Maul train every day.

Hutson's next tournament will be the El Paso Invitational, featuring competitors from Mexico.

**"It's a full medal Olympic sport. It will be in the 2000 Sydney games."**

SHANE HUTSON  
TAE KWON DO COMPETITOR



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## Hardwood honors

Six Captan Tigers were honored for their efforts on the basketball court during the District 6AA campaign. They are (from left to right): Ann Holt, honorable mention; Monica Johnson, honorable mention; Andra Fish, honorable mention; Casey Cunningham, honorable mention; Sonya Wood, first team all-district; and Joni Autrey, honorable mention.

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Upper Canyon on river. \$850/Mo. Bills included. 257-2985.

## UNFURNISHED 3BRDM/

2BA, good neighborhood, No pets. Call 258-1120

## CHARMING, WELL INSULATED

large 2BRDM/2BA home. 411 4th St. lots of storage, easy access. Exceptionally clean. \$550/Mo. plus utilities, lease/deposit 505-521-4057

## 3BRDM/2BA Modular home,

unfurnished \$575/Mo. plus bills. 2BRDM/2.5BA Condo, unfurnished \$550/Mo. plus bills. 2BRDM/1.5BA furnished condo \$550/Mo. plus bills. No pets. Call Pat at The Prudential Real Estate Realtors, 257-7313.

## SIERRA BLANCA VIEW

3BRDM/2BA like new \$850/Mo. Sierra Blanca Realty 257-2576

## 6 MONTH LEASE 6

Bedrooms, fully furnished, Downtown location 257-7855

## FOR RENT: 2BRDM, fully

furnished, close to town, fireplace, real clean \$400/Mo. 258-5525 or 257-4802

## BEAUTIFUL HOME & location

in Alto area, 3BRDM/2BA, \$850/Mo. plus utilities, unfurnished. Requires 1 month security, no pets. Call Mark Mobley at 1001 Mechem Dr. after 4PM at 505-336-7929

## CLEAN 3BRDM/2BA furnished,

near Cree Meadows \$1,000/Mo. plus bills. Call 258-4948.

## 2 ROOM HOUSE on Main

Rd. Prefer singles. Bills paid \$250/Mo. 806-872-5519, 257-4311

## 2BRDM/1BA furnished,

fireplace with attached studio apt. or office downstairs \$650/Mo. plus utilities 378-8518

## REMAX RENTALS

Unfurnished 2/2 duplex #425 2 nice 3/2 furnished homes \$1,000

## Unfurnished 4/3 house \$760

Unfurnished 2/2 adobe on 6 acres \$1,000 Large unfurnished 4/3 on the river \$1,000 Call Chris at 258-5833 or 336-8431

## 113 WINGFIELD Un-

furnished 2BRDM/1BA with 2 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, utilities. Call Cindy, Gary Lynch Realty, 257-4011 L#273525.

## UPPER CANYON 2BRDM/

1BA, fireplace, furnished, \$450/Mo. + dep. ALSO Studio apt., furnished, \$350/Mo. + dep. Call 257-2270 or 378-8518.

## SUMMER LEASE 3-6

months. Completely furnished 2B/1 3/4BA adobe brick, 2 stall horse barn, fenced yard, W/D, carport. No inside pets, past references. \$20.00 deposit, \$550/Mo. plus low utilities. 378-4949

## 4BRDM/2BA house on Car-

rizo Creek with laundry room, wood burning stove, 2 carports, fenced yard, \$800/Mo. Call Mark Mobley at 257-7786 Tall Pines Realty.

## 8 Apts. for Rent

1 & 2BRDM. APTS. furnished, bills/cable paid. No pets. Call 258-3111.

## CARRIZOZO: Two large

1BRDM duplexes. Unfurnished except for stove and refrigerator. Owner pays water, sewer and trash. \$250/Mo. Call Chris at Re/Max (505) 258-5833 or 1-800-657-8570

## SUPER NICE EFFICIENCY

apartment furnished, includes bills/cable. Call 258-5390 after 5PM or leave message

## 3BD/2BA bills paid \$895/Mo.

2 1/2 water paid \$475/Mo. 257-2270 or 378-8518. 3/1.5 furnished \$550/Mo. Call Carol at Pinos Mountain Realty, Inc., 257-4700

## SOWER APARTMENTS

Excellent access and location on river, private 2BRDM/1 1/2BA, carpeted, VERY CLEAN major appliances, dishwasher, W/D, patio, outside storage, LOW UTILITIES, \$500/Mo. Available March 8th, possibly sooner. 336-4859 leave message.

## VALLEY VIEW APARTMENTS

#5/96- 111 Rio Arriba, unfurnished 1BRD, 3/4-BA, w/fireplace. \$550/Mo. Includes basic utilities. Call Cindy, Gary Lynch Realty, 257-4011. Lic. #273525.

## LUXURY APARTMENT

suitable for single/couple. Furnished w/garage & utilities paid. No smoking/pets. Adults preferred. \$500/Mo. 257-5794.

## CIMMARON has efficiency

apts. available. No pets. \$300/Mo. Call 378-4376.

## NICEST TWO BEDROOM

ONE BATH APARTMENT in town. Cathedral ceilings, washer/dryer, dishwasher, refrigerator, stove included. Gas heat/hot water. "LOW UTILITIES" 257-9085 for details.

## READ THE CLASSIFIEDS

You may find something you need or want at The Ruidoso News.

## 15 Storage for Rent

**NEED LOTS OF STORAGE SPACE?** Units are 400 sq. ft. Rock bottom prices. Call 257-1353

## L & D SELF STORAGE

Hwy. 48 Space available. 258-5940 or 257-9463.

## E. J. STORAGE 114 Horton

Circle 257-5899

## 16 Pasture for Rent

### PASTURE FOR RENT

6 acres in Bent One half hour from Ruidoso & one half hour from Alamogordo 257-4001 DAYS, ask for Drew, 671-4855 NIGHTS.

## 17 Business Rentals

### DREAM OF YOUR OWN BUSINESS?

616 SUDDETH 6500 sq. ft. has many possibilities for all part; share your ideas with owner/agent Barbara Willard 257-2576

### FOR LEASE Office bldg.

2500 sq. ft., 1208 Mechem, reception area, 3 offices, two storage rooms & restrooms, kitchenette. Rent \$1250/Mo. water paid. Call Pat 258-4030

### OFFICE SPACE FOR

LEASE Pinetree Square, 2810 Sudderth. Call 257-5155 8:30-12:00 & 1:00-4:30.

### FORMERLY GLADRAGS

Restaurant on the river for lease Call Mark Mobley at 257-7786, Tall Pines Realty

### FOR LEASE: 850 sq. ft.

office space, Jira Plaza, available 4/1/97. Brokers welcome. Owen Russell, Real Estate Broker, 505/257-8341.

### OFFICE SPACE for rent.

1007 Mechem Dr. Call Cindy 258-5958, Mon.-Fri., 8A-5P.

### 2-2-2 CONDO

by Racetrack, sleeps 6, includes water, hot tub, pool ALSO 2-2-1/2-2 for \$650 or 2-2-1/2-2 for \$425. (505)378-4292 1-800-569-0948

### CARRIZO LODGE CONDOS

12 Mo. lease, \$525 plus elec. 3BRDM/1.5BA, P/B, Balcony. Month-to-Month lease \$650 summer, \$750 winter. Included amenities: Water, cable, jacuzzi & sauna (Pool seasonal)

### FOR SALE OR RENT: by

Owner. 2BRDM/1.5BA, fully furnished, Call 505-336-1058

### 2BRDM/2BA Eagle Creek

Condo. Fully furnished. Unfurnished, \$500/Mo. Month to Month or long term. Ask for Marilyn or James, Century 21 Aspen Real Estate at 257-8057

### LIVE IN ONE OF THE

PREMIER PROPERTIES IN THE RUIDOSO AREA! Corridors for lease: 2 or 3 bedrooms, full baths w/ea. bath, room: spa tub w/master bed, fireplace, garageport, excellent to good condition, furnished or unfurnished, first class appliances in kitchen, some with washer/dryer combos. All utilities paid except electricity. Starting at \$550.00, deposit + first month's to move in. Manager on site. Call Prestler and Associates at Champion's Run Condominiums, located north of the Museum of the Horse, Hwy. 70 East. 378-7108

### 11 Cabins for Rent

**FOR LEASE** several weeks per year. 3BRDM/2BA, furnished cabin w/large deck. Please No pets/No smoking. H.A. Wagner 1-512-576-2965.

### 157 FERN TRAIL

1BRDM/3/4BA, cabin on river, basic furnishings, \$400/Mo. + utilities. Call Cindy, Gary Lynch Realty, 257-4011 Lic#273625.

### Secluded Cabin

2 bedroom, 2 bath, great views, hot tub on deck. \$650 per month - references required. Call Joe Zagone at CENTURY 21 Aspen Real Estate 257-9057

### 12 Mobile Spaces/Rt

CAPTAN 2-acre lot w/ utilities for mobile home, \$200/Mo. plus water. 2 1/2 spaces. \$135/Mo. includes electric. Call 354-3197

### LOT FOR RENT in Capitán.

1.2 acres \$200/Mo. 354-2029

### 13 Room for Rent

#### ROOMMATE WANTED:

Home in central location, all amenities, 257-3498 after 6PM. \$300/Mo. plus 1/2 utilities.

### 14 Want to Rent

**LUBBOCK COUPLE** own race horses interested in leasing 3 or 4 bedroom, 2BA from mid-May to mid-Sept. Past references. Clean, non-smoker. Can pay all rent up front. 806-748-7100 or 806-745-3075

### PRIVATE RV SPACE

Done with electric, but building temporary dog house would lease for 3 months, water and electric, minimum utilities required. 505-362-2205

## 1985 LINCOLN TOWNCAR

Drives, Looks, Runs and Performs Good. Nearly new tires. \$3,000. Partial finance available 258-5811

## 1981 WHITE FORD EX-

PLORE 4x4 running boards, excellent CD player. High mileage. See to appreciate \$11,500. 268-3377

## 1997 MITSUBISHI Eclipse

G35, white exterior, gray leather interior, sun roof. 5-spd. 7000 miles \$19,500. 258-5559 or 258-4001

## 1979 JEEP WAGONEER

4x4, needs brakes, \$1,200. 1991 Buick Park Avenue, immaculate. Asking \$9,500. KADA \$12,500. 258-4643

## 1980 SUBARU LOYALE

Station wagon, 4WD, air, automatic, new tires, more. Excellent condition. \$5,500. 354-6013

## 1978 PONTIAC FIREBIRD

needs paint, runs strong \$1,160. 257-7713

## 1980 CHEVROLET SUB-

URBAN 2VD, Conversion, excellent condition, \$8,400 Call Ron at 420-0443 or 268-3737 after 6PM.

## 1988 SUBARU Station

Wagon, 4WD, excellent condition. \$4,750 Call 257-2985

## 1993 MERCURY COUGAR

XP-7 A/T, 3.8L V-6, A/C, cruise, PE, PS, P/W, P/D, keyless entry, retail \$10,275 asking \$8,950. 257-4001 days, 437-3930 weekends

## 1996 SUBARU SA WAGON

auto, cruise, air, cassette, ABS, P/W, P/D, trir. hitch, luggage rack, need tax money \$16,800 by owner 257-7737

## 20 Trucks/4X4's

# CLASSIFIEDS

## 29 Pets & Supplies

**GREAT DANE PUPPIES** AKC, Boston, two males, one female \$300 to \$500, excellent bloodline, great temperaments. 505-523-2921

**SIX WEEK OLD HEALER PUPPIES** For Sale \$50/ea. Call 336-4069

**FREE TO GOOD HOME** 1 year Black Lab and 2 Lab mix puppies. Take 1 or all. 336-4076 or 257-7349

## 30 Yard Sales

**MOVING SALE:** Griffith Ave. In Agua Fria. Some antiques, furniture, patio furniture & lots of misc.

**GARAGE SALE:** Swiss Chalet, 10A-2P, Saturday ONLY! 1451 Mechem

**SAT/SUN, 8A-5P** All kinds equipment including computers, printers, TV satellites, two-way radio, cellular phones, accessories, restaurant equipment, appliances, office equipment, furniture, ceramic molds, supplies, too many misc. items to list. In Capitán off Hwy. 48 turn on Aspen follow the signs. 354-9403

**GARAGE SALE:** Dishes, electric smoker, Wrangler jeans size 40-34, pillows, silk, lots of knickknacks. Sat. ONLY. 207 Rio Arriba between cemetery & old Moncor bank, weather permitting. 258-9055

**GARAGE SALE:** Fri/Sat. 21/22, 9A-5P, 307 N. Central, furniture, toys, LOTS, LOTS of cassette!

**SAT. 3/22, 7A-2P** 253 Junction behind library. Computer desk, waterbed, skis, clothes, household items, misc.

**MOVING SALE, SAT. 3/22** 124 Whirlaway past Whispering Pines Restaurant, Upper Canyon lots of everything

**GARAGE SALE** Need to get rid of more stuff. Queen sleeper sofa \$225, exercise equipment \$110, metal office desk \$100, some things FREE! Sat. 9A-12. 104 Arabella

**SUPER GARAGE SALE:** Knitters, Designer yarn sewers, large spools thread, Leather, Suede scraps \$5 lb. High chair plus clothes, plus great misc. Stampede Leather Studio next to bowling alley, 1204 Mechem-White Mtn. Plaza, Sat/22 9A-1P ONLY

**9A-??, FRI/SAT/SUN** 21/22/23, Small appliances, furniture, linens, plants, towels & linens, golf clubs, bag & cart, boots for birdhouses, old horsehoes, decorative & craft items, infant, children & adult clothing & shoes, small wooden crates, lots of misc. Ashley wood burning stove, 101 Second & Hwy. 48, 1 block from downtown Capitán.

**MOVING SALE:** Household, King bed, accessories, bureaus, microwave stand, dishes, kitchenware, bicycle, doll collection/accessories, material/firmings, lots more in Lincoln across from courthouse. March 21/22, 8A-3P

## 31 Household

**Joyce's Antiques** New & Used Furniture. New & Used Mattresses. Used Appliances. We Buy, Sell & Trade. 650 Sudderth • 257-7575

**KING OAK PLATFORM** bedroom set \$300. Double bed with box & mattress \$200. 336-7707

**NEW FIESTA 10, 5-PIECE** settings, several serving pieces, assorted colors \$250. 378-9186

**TOO BIG FOR YOUR CHAIR?** Extra wide, reinforced, stylish chairs. Optional lumber support 1-800-944-0003

## 34 Arts

**ALB. CERAMICS AND DOLL SHOW** Supplies, Molds, Blaque, March 21-22, Alb. Fair Grounds. \$3.00, 10 to 6 Fri., 10 to 4 Sat.

**ORIGINAL OILS, Serigraphs, prints & much more!** Were moving plus great better clothing, etc. Stampede Leather, 1204 Mechem, White Mtn. Plaza, next to the bowling alley, Sat. ONLY 9A-1P

**CERAMIC KING** Spring Sale. Everything on SALE March 18-22, Tue. to Sat. 9A to 5P, 3300 Girard NE. Albua. 881-2350

**Gail's Frame of Mind** Spring Art Classes Register Now Art Supplies Discount Framing 258-9071

## 35 Sporting Goods

**FOR SALE:** O/U engraved, 12 gauge shotgun \$400 (books \$625), 9mm Ruger P89DC, (boxed) \$370, Bayonet, Engraved, 1881 French \$165 (perfect) 257-4005

**RESULTS** are in sight when you use the classified section. The Ruidoso News, 257-4001.

## 36 Miscellaneous

**STEEL BUILDINGS:** 30x40-10, \$4,629; 40x60x14, \$8,192; 50x75x14, \$10,390; 50x100x16, \$14,688; 60x100x16, Mini storage building, 30x100, 20 units, \$8,692. Free brochures. Sentinel Buildings, - 800-327-0790, Ext. 79.

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**DIAMOND SOLITAIRE** 1-karat ring for sale. Wide 14K band. Appraised at \$4,000 will sell for \$3,600. 257-4781

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**LUMBER AUCTION** April 5, 1997 10AM 9000 Broadway SE Albuquerque 2x4, 2x6 timbers, etc. GUSTIN AUCTIONS 889-3713

**SUN/MAR EXCEL.N.E.** "Composting toilet, excellent condition \$475. 257-2038 or 257-4429 Bart

**GT DYNO AIR** - Boys 20" bike, Cost \$400 new, hardly used, was stored when son moved to Colorado, looks like new. \$200, 257-9417.

**LEATHER COAT,** Women's large, black, wrings, beads, very nice, like new! Paid \$250, asking \$160. 257-4001 days.

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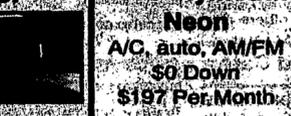
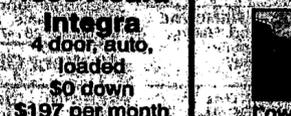
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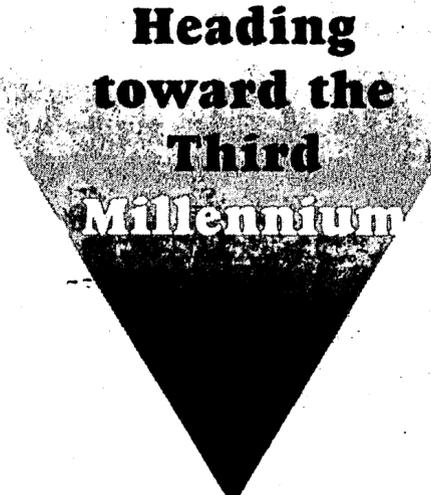
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# COMMUNITY UPDATE '97

## Monday, March 31st



**Heading toward the Third Millennium**

Legislative review by Rep. Dub Williams; the Mescalero Apache Tribe's Rob Burpo; Manuel Romero, Acting Secretary, N.M. Corrections Department; Loretta Chavez-Henry, Juvenile Justice Division Director, N.M. Department of Human Services; and others...

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# VAMOS!

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**Talbot's spring fever jams**

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**Curtain rises on RLT's '97 season**

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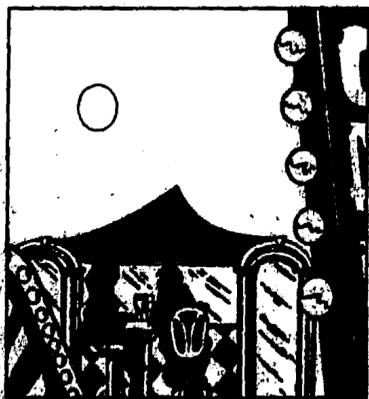


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Starring in lead roles for the refocused Arts & Film Commission are (from left to right) Herb Brunell, Bruce Eldridge and Nell Heller.

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## Wyoming's bravest man

The Johnson County War.  
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VAMONOS

# What's happening?



## Music

**ROSWELL SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA**, John Farrer conducting — 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 22 at New Mexico Military Institute's Pearson Auditorium, Roswell. The concert includes works spanning the continent of Europe, beginning in Italy with Rossini's "La Cenerentola" overture, continuing to France with Gounod's "Symphony No. 1 in D Major," and culminating in Russia with Tchaikovsky's "Symphony No. 2 in C minor." Ticket prices range from \$9 to \$18 and can be purchased by calling the symphony office at 505-623-5882 or at the door.

**THE COFFEE POT**, 808 3rd St., Tularosa, (505) 585-8262 — Saturday evening, music and dinner. 1 block east of Catholic church. Look for the pink windows.

**CREE MEADOWS COUNTRY CLUB**, 301 Country Club Dr., Ruidoso, 257-2733 — 5:30 p.m. Thursdays and 7 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, Randy Jones on his guitar. Randy plays a variety of music, from country to blues.

**GALLOPING TORTOISE**, 662 Sudderth, Ruidoso, 257-2511 — 5:30 p.m. Sundays, Randy Jones and friends play rock 'n roll, country and blues.

**HOLLYWOOD INN**, 2239 Hwy. 70 W., Ruidoso Downs, 378-9911 — Live music most weekends.

**IN-ESPRESSO-BLE COFFEE HOUSE**, Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso — 8-10 p.m. Saturday nights through March 29 Jay Silverman and Bob Banhagel play the blues.

**INN OF THE MOUNTAIN GODS**, Mescalero Apache Reservation, 257-5141 — Dan Li Ka Dining Room — Piano dinner music 6-10 p.m. every night with Bill McClain Monday and Tuesday, Dave King Wednesday-Sunday. Bill Gross plays vibraharp for Sunday brunch noon-3 p.m. Gos Kan Lounge 6-10 p.m. Wednesday — Sunday until April 27. Linda Flores performs in the lobby. Apache Tee — Mark Remington 6-10 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday, until March 22.

**INCREIBLE SALOON**, N. Hwy. 48, Alto, 336-4312 — 9 p.m. Wednesday nights, Randy Jones.

**MARIE LAVEAUX NIGHTCLUB**, 1214 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso, 258-3784 — Friday and Saturday, March 21-22 and 28-29 rock with "No Excuse."

**MESCALERO NIGHTCLUB**, 1 mile north of the Inn of the Mountain Gods, next to Cafe Mescalero, 257-6695 — 8 p.m. — close Friday, March 21 dance music with DJ. 9 p.m. Saturday, March 22, Jim Talbot Band plays blues. \$3 cover.

**SCREAMING EAGLE LOUNGE**, Enchantment Inn, Hwy. 70 west, Ruidoso, 378-4051 — 8 p.m. — close Thursday through Saturday, Keri plays a variety of music from the 1930's forward.

**THE TEXAS HOUSE**, 2811 Sudderth, Ruidoso, 257-3508 — 6-10 p.m. Wednesdays. Alan Fremont plays country western music. Various artists perform 7-11 p.m. every Friday and Saturday. 6-8 p.m. Sundays JJ plays Latin jazz and blues. Open 24 hours on weekends.

**WIN, PLACE & SHOW**, 2518 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, 257-9882 — Live country music 7 nights a week, 8:30 p.m. — 1:30 a.m.

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



## etc!

**RUIDOSO ROSE DAY** — Friday, March 21, sponsored by Ruidoso Evening Lions Club. One dozen long-stemmed red roses delivered to your door for \$15. To order call Doyle Howell, 378-4336.

**"THE DIVORCE DILEMMA"** — 9 a.m. — 3:30 p.m. Saturday, March 22 at Gateway Church of Christ, 415 Sudderth, Ruidoso. Free divorce adjustment seminar.

Child care available at the building. For more information or to pre-register call 257-4381.

**THE NEW MEXICO CERAMIC AND DOLL SHOW**, New Mexico State Fairgrounds, Albuquerque — 10 a.m. — 5 p.m. Friday, March 21 and 10 a.m. — 4 p.m. Saturday, March 22. Includes a competition open to amateurs and professionals. Entries accepted 1-7 p.m. Thursday, March 20, with an entry fee of \$1.50 per piece. A drawing also will be held to benefit The Albuquerque Children's Museum. First prize is a Skutt Kln worth \$1,060.

**RUIDOSO DOWNS COMMUNITY EGG HUNT** — 10 a.m. Saturday, March 22 at the All American Park next to the Downs Senior Citizens building. Prizes will be given for lucky eggs found in age groups 2-5, 6-8 and 9-12; and for the best decorated hat. Ruidoso Downs firemen are assisting in a basketball throw for which prizes will be given.

**OPERATION DWI BLITZ** — Until Sunday, March 23. Ruidoso police and police agencies throughout the state will set up sobriety checkpoints and saturation patrols throughout the area to enforce DWI laws.

**RUIDOSO AND CAPITAN SPRING BREAK** — Schools closed March 24-31. Classes and buses will resume their normal schedule on Tuesday, April 1.

**FREE WATER FAIR** — 9 a.m. — 3 p.m. Tuesday, March 25 at the Corona Senior Citizens Center and 10 a.m. — 3 p.m. Wednesday, March 26 at the San Patricio Senior Citizens Center. Testing will be done for pH, conductivity, TDS, nitrates, sulfates and iron. Bring at least one quart of water in a clean glass container after letting the water run for at least five minutes. Pour the water at least eight hours before testing.

**JOSH McDOWELL**, Christian youth speaker — 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 26 at Bonita Park Nazarene Conference Center, Hwy. 48 midway between Ruidoso and Capitan. His theme will center around the events of Easter — were they a hoax of history? Josh will present information on such issues as: who was Jesus Christ? Did he really live? Did he really die on the cross? Is there historical evidence for the resurrection? Why does it matter? There is no admission charge, but an offering will be taken.

**AMERICAN RED CROSS ROSE DAY** — Wednesday, March 26. One dozen roses delivered for \$14. To order call 437-4421.

**CLOSURE OF TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT**, Room 208, 1000 New York Ave., Alamogordo — noon-5 p.m. Friday, March 26.

**CARRIE TINGLEY CLINIC**, N.M. School for the Visually Handicapped, 1900 White Sands Blvd., Alamogordo — Friday, March 28. Children and young adults up to the age of 21 with chronic physical problems or difficulty with bones, joints and/or muscles may be scheduled for appointments. Doctors, rehabilitation therapists and orthotists specializing in support braces will evaluate and treat patients. Medical and insurance are accepted for payment. Services are not free but no New Mexico resident is refused care due to inability to pay. For appointments or more information call 1-800-472-3235, ext. 5270. Advance scheduling is requested.

**CLOSURE OF MAGISTRATE COURT #2**, 301 W. Hwy. 70, Ruidoso — through March 28. Court personnel attending automation training in Alamogordo during this period.

**"HOSANNA! HE IS RISEN!"** First Assembly of God, 139 El Paso Road, Ruidoso — 8:30 p.m. Friday through Sunday, March 28-30. Easter presentation of the drama of Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection, complete with cast, costumes and props. Admission is free. Everyone welcome. For more information call 257-2324 or 336-4633.

**EASTER EGG HUNT**, sponsored by the Lincoln County Sheriff's posse — 10 a.m. Saturday, March 29 at the Carrizozo Country Club. Children up to the age of 12 are invited to participate.

**CASINO APACHE**, Carrizo Canyon Road, Mescalero Apache Reservation, 257-5141 — slots, live blackjack, and poker tables. Open daily.

**RUIDOSO DOWNS SPORTS THEATER**, half-mile east of race track, off Hwy. 70 off Service Lane, Ruidoso Downs — simulcast racing throughout the week. Call 378-4431 for races and times.



## Clubs & Meetings

**LINCOLN COUNTY ADULT SINGLES GROUP** — 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 21, BYOB and snack to share as you watch the Dr. John Gray video series "Men are from Mars, women are from Venus." RSVP to Bob at 258-3201 for directions to his house. March 23-March 30 trip to Puerto Penasco, Mexico. Call Darrell at 354-2635 for more details. 6 p.m. Thursday, March 27 no-host dinner at the Texas House, Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso.

**LINCOLN COUNTY BLUES AND JAZZ SOCIETY** — 7 p.m. Monday, March 24 at the In-ESPRESSO-BLE Coffee House, in the Gazebo Shopping Center on Sudderth Drive in Ruidoso. Musicians and blues/jazz lovers are welcome to attend. Bring your ideas and "wish list" of the musical happenings you'd like to see here in Lincoln County. For more information call 257-2528.

**THE REPUBLICAN WOMEN OF LINCOLN COUNTY** — 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 25 at Cafe Mescalero, Carrizo Canyon Road, Ruidoso. Representative Deb Williams will be the featured speaker. For information and reservations please call Bobbie Milburn at 257-4402 or Eileen Brady at 257-6841.

**CARRIZOZD FCE CLUB** — 1 p.m. Tuesday, March 25 at the Otero County Electric Co-op in Carrizozo. Betty McCreight will present a hands-on program "Breads for the Holidays." Everyone will make bread, so bring a cookie sheet.

**RUIDOSO VEGETARIAN CLUB** — 6 p.m. Tuesday, March 25 at the Ruidoso Roastery, 113 Rio, Ruidoso.

**RUIDOSO VILLAGE COUNCIL** — 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 25 at the village hall. Two hearings will be included on the agenda. One concerns a conflict in two water rules, the other concerns limiting terms for appointed civic boards and commissions for the sake of uniformity.

**LINCOLN COUNTY CHAPTER OF AARP** — 10 a.m. Wednesday, March 26 at the Ruidoso Senior Center. Estel Allen will speak on women's issues and women's history month. A potluck follows at noon.

**COMMUNITY EARTH DAY PLANNING MEETING** — 10 a.m. Thursday, March 27 at the Alamogordo Friends of the Zoo Education Building, located on White Sands Blvd. between Alameda Park and the Chamber of Commerce. For more information call Anne Doherty at White Sands National Monument, 505-479-8124.



## Library

**STORYTIME AT THE RUIDOSO PUBLIC LIBRARY** — 2-3 p.m. on Wednesday afternoons. 10-11 a.m. Thursdays, puppet shows, songs, dance, nursery rhymes, storytelling, arts and crafts, and creative drama. For 3- to 6-year-olds, no sign-ups and it's free.



## Movies

**SIERRA CINEMA**, 721 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso, 257-9444 — "Silence," "Return of the Jedi," "Liar Liar." Call theater for show times and ratings.



## Theater

**RUIDOSO LITTLE THEATRE TALENT SHOW AND CONTEST** — 6:30 p.m. Friday, March 21 at The Castle on Hwy. 70 in Ruidoso. Categories for the show are singing, acting, dancing, lip sync, novelty acts and instrumental. For more information contact Pam Cromwell at 505-354-3209.

**"FEATHER ON THE SEA"** Flickinger Center for Performing Arts, Alamogordo, 505-347-2202 — 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 27. Idaho Theater for Youth present the story of Icarus, the classic Greek myth, with masks, music, mazes and minotaur. Tickets \$8 for adults, \$6 for children 12 and under.

**"WOMEN TALK"** Ruidoso Little Theatre, The Castle, Hwy. 70, Ruidoso — 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, March 27-29 and April 3-5. A play in three scenes by Sloane Drayson-Krigger. Tickets \$7 for adults, \$5 for students and senior citizens.

**"KISS OR MAKE UP"** Roswell Community Little Theatre, 12th and Virginia streets in Roswell — 8:15 p.m. Friday and Saturday, March 28-29 and Thursday, Friday, Saturday, April 3-5. 2 p.m. matinee performance Sunday, March 30. A story of deception and an intricate fabric of lies with hilarious consequences.



## Museums & Galleries

**BENSON FINE ART**, Jira Plaza, 700 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso, 257-2813 — The gallery is featuring the work of Ruidoso artist Louise Barrat as well as new work by contemporary Southwest artists Wm. Warder, David Bailey, Jim Boyer, Kenny McKenna, Jean Gardner, John Hopkins, Alfred Veronika, Laurin Knode, Gary Meyers, Carl Brice, Wayne Reitz, Bea Stanton, Ron Stewart, Philip Frenschberger and Joseph Orr. The gallery also specializes in the work of deceased Southwest artists Maynard Dixon, Ed Borain, Edgar Payne, Jimmy Shinnerton, Humberto Villa, Albert Groll, Clyde Forsythe, Harrison Puffuff, Rod Gabel, among others. For further information call 257-2813.

**MCGARY STUDIOS AND EXPRESSIONS IN BRONZE GALLERY**, 2002 Sudderth, Ruidoso, 257-3790, 1-800-687-3424 — Dave McGary's combined facility features a finishing studio and a gallery which showcases a two-decade retrospective collection of his "Images in Bronze." Observe through glass windows the stages of the finishing process which produce the signed and numbered limited edition bronzes. Gallery hours are 10 a.m. — 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday, closed Sunday.

**THE HISTORICAL MUSEUM**, 805 W. Richardson Ave., Artesa, 805-437-2921 — 2-4 p.m. Saturday, March 15 open house and kick off for "Zia Girl Scout Council 85th Anniversary" exhibit which will run through March and April. Museum hours are 8 a.m. — 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

**MOUNTAIN LEGENDS GALLERY & FOUNDRY**, 610 E. Hwy. 70, Ruidoso Downs, 378-6040 — 7:30 a.m. — 4 p.m. Monday-Friday, public bronze pourings and tour of the foundry.

**MUSEUM OF THE HORSE**, Hwy. 70, Ruidoso Downs, 378-4142 — Showing through March 31, "200 years of firearms: rifles, pistols and commemorative from the collection of C.L. 'Boss' Wright." Regular admission: Museum hours: 9 a.m. — 5:30 p.m. daily Tuesday — Sunday.

**ROSWELL MUSEUM AND ART CENTER**, 100 West 11th Street, Roswell, 505-624-6744 — "Karen Anne: Ground Zero/Sacred Ground," on exhibit through April 27. "Spirit ascendant: the art and life of Pedro Pablo Barale," on exhibit through April 27. "The spirit's final journey: paintings by Bernadette Vigil," on exhibit through May 11.

**SPACE CENTER**, Alamogordo, 1-800-549-4021 — "Electric space: exploring our plasma universe" through April 27. The exhibit takes a closer look at the sun and how it can cause Earth's largest light show, the polar aurora, and examines key concepts in space physics. Through interactive exhibits visitors can explore the realms of our plasma universe.



## Parks & Recreation

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: SMOKEY BEAR HISTORICAL STATE PARK**, 118 Smokey Bear Blvd., Capitan — The state park needs help during the busy tourist season when there is the constant threat of fire. Please donate some time to help spread a very important message from a very important bear. For more information call 505-354-2748.

**RUIDOSO PARKS DEPARTMENT NEEDS VOLUNTEERS** — 8:30 a.m. — 11:30 a.m. Fridays, litter clean-up volunteers are needed. The department supplies trash bags and will loan out tools and safety equipment to those who request them. Also, on Saturday mornings volunteers are needed to supervise youth community services workers. For more information or to provide volunteers call 257-5030.

**BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT**, 438-7400.

**FUNTRACKERS**, 101 Carrizozo Canyon Road, Ruidoso, 257-3275 — video game room.

**FREE LINE DANCING LESSONS** — 10-11:30 a.m. every Monday at the Ruidoso Senior Center, behind the public library at 501 1/2 Junction Road.

**INN OF THE MOUNTAIN GODS ARCADE**, Carrizo Canyon Road, Mescalero Apache Reservation, 257-5141 — Video arcade, pool tables.

**RUIDOSO ATHLETIC CLUB**, 415 Wingfield, 257-4000.

**RUIDOSO BOWLING CENTER**, 1202 Mechem Drive, 258-3557 — Saturday nights "Rock 'n Bowl."

**RUIDOSO GYMNASTICS** — Year-round boys and girls classes for ages 18 months through high school. For more information call 378-4661.

**SEEPING SPRINGS TROUT LAKES & CAMPGROUND**, 378-4216 — Where you can fish without a license. Open 8 a.m. — 5 p.m. seven days a week. Located four miles east of the race track Hwy. 70.

**SMOKEY BEAR RANGER STATION**, Lincoln National Forest, 257-4095.

**WOMEN'S POOL LEAGUE** — 7 p.m. Sundays at the Ruidoso Bowling Center, 1202 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso. For information and sign-up call Melissa at 257-3557.

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# Neighbors

## Paul Vordermann, a builder of community

*Vordermann juggles a full life and many volunteer projects*

By **TONI K. LAXSON**  
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

**P**aul Vordermann strides with characteristic high energy from his danish-styled hot water heater, called a HAUSA, to the guest house directly behind his Ruidoso home. While walking, he rapidly explains the various construction hurdles he encountered during construction of the two projects.

He built them, as well as his own home, his son's computer, the koi pond next to the house, the tree nursery in front of his home, etc.

Vordermann, a Ruidoso resident for 14 years, is a builder — not by trade, but by inclination.

"I could easily stay at home all day long and build things," Vordermann said. "I've built a car, a house and furniture. The next thing I want to build is a boat. I would really love to build a boat."

Fortunately for the people of Ruidoso, Vordermann doesn't stay at home all day long. The 46-year-old general manager of the Family Practice Center is actively involved in several projects that improve the quality of life here. And while he diverts some of his energy into nurturing the arts, such as being a board member of the Ruidoso Community Concerts, and some time into purely civic activity, such as being vice president of the Ruidoso Kiwanis Club, Vordermann's primary gift to the community has been in areas that would intimidate most volunteers.

### Providing Shelter

When an abused wife with three children calls the Ruidoso Police Department for help, the department, in turn, often calls Vordermann for assistance. As a volunteer with the Family Crisis Center of Lincoln County, Vordermann helps police expedite processing the complaint. Then, with the aid of local hotels, restaurants and clothing retailers, Vordermann provides the woman and her children with shelter for the night, food to eat and clothes to wear, if necessary.

The work is often gruesome and discouraging, especially in the mid-'80s when economic hardships

translated into several calls a week, but Vordermann stays upbeat about it all. He attributes an improved economy as well as the policies of local judges for a reduction in spousal abuse complaints. The trick to further reductions, he said, is putting the abusive spouse, almost always the man, in therapy as well as the victim.

While chatting recently with Michele Rebstock, another crisis volunteer, Vordermann recalled some of the more memorable cases that he witnessed over the years. There was the time a man attacked his wife and her girlfriend with an ax, and then there were the two hairdresser spouses who stabbed each other with scissors.

And, "There was the woman who looked like somebody had taken a ping pong ball and stuck it up under her eyelid, that's how hard he had struck her," Vordermann recalled. "And every time she cried, bloody tears would run down her face . . . and I was so angry."

Recently, the Ruidoso Police Department presented Vordermann with a plaque in recognition of his volunteer work with the Family Crisis Center. The plaque applauds Vordermann with "sincere appreciation and recognition of your unselfish and dedicated service."

Ruidoso Police Detective Wolf Born said the department didn't give Vordermann the plaque as part of an annual recognition award to a citizen. The award is unique and was created in response to Vordermann's volunteer work. "Because any time you call him, he's there. Any time day or night, he's there," Born said.

### Stories by the bushel

Vordermann teases about being known as the husband of Dr. Arlene Brown, a Ruidoso general practitioner, but he has garnered considerable local notice himself through his involvement in the community, his ebullient personality and by virtue of the fact that he's just so darn interesting.

Raised in a small Wisconsin town, Vordermann dutifully joined the military on his 18th birthday instead of waiting to be drafted. It was 1968, the middle of the Vietnam War, but instead of trudging through rice paddies, Vordermann was put to work by the National Security Agency as a cryptologist stationed in what he describes as remote and desolate



Paul Vordermann, general manager of the Family Practice Center and an active community volunteer, chats with co-workers and a visitor in his office.

Toni K. Laxson/Ruidoso News

## in PROFILE

### Paul Vordermann



**Born:** May 8, 1950  
**Hometown:** Janesville, Wis.  
**Military Service:** Went into the Air Force in the late 1960s but was detached to the National Security Agency to work as a cryptologist in the Middle East.

**Education:** He attended "about 11 universities and colleges" while in the military, but obtained his degrees in computer science and accounting from Milton College outside Janesville.

**Favorites authors:** Anne Rice, Mary Higgins Clark, Andrew Voss and Richard Patterson.

**Famous people he's met:** "As incredible as it sounds, I once met Spiro Agnew" while in the military. What was Agnew like? "Abrupt."

**Favorite board game:** "We (he and his son Ryan) play an awful lot of Crosstracks," a game that is a combination of dominoes and chess.

**Favorite movie:** "Being There," starring with Peter Sellers

**Favorite dream vacation:** "I've always wanted to have unlimited time in the South Pacific."

spots in the Middle East, one of which was on the Russian border. "Yeah, I did that for a year and a half," Vordermann said. "I was there the day the Communists overran a NATO site on the Black Sea on the northern coast of

Turkey . . . I have some great stories from there."

After his release from military service, Vordermann returned to Wisconsin to earn college degrees in both computer science and accounting, and to marry his high

school sweetheart. He went to work as a computer programmer in Milwaukee, was quickly promoted to a systems analyzer and eventually became an investigator of computer fraud.

"Back in the '70s, computer fraud was so new that they didn't know they had a problem, but they would think that they would have a problem. I would go in and investigate it. Then I would track down assets and, hopefully, recover some of the of the money. As one of my co-workers said, I was so good at what I did because I basically have a criminal mind," Vordermann said with a laugh. "You know, if you think like a criminal, you will find out where the money goes."

When he was 26 years old, his wife Nancy died from cancer of the lymph nodes. At the time she became ill, they both worked for the same company, she as a computer programmer. She was quite ill for two years, Vordermann said, and his company, Globe Union, allowed him to spend considerable time with her.

"Globe Union treated me very nice. They essentially said to me, 'Come in and work when you can.

See Vordermann, page 4V

# Vordermann: a volunteer in times of crisis

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And when you can't work, no problem, we'll just cover for you.

"It was very touching when my wife died - practically everyone from the corporation showed up. You don't expect that from a big corporation."

After his wife's death, Vordermann spent the next six years as a bachelor in Milwaukee. He started buying up property in Milwaukee and, as a landlord, honed his construction skills.

### A Ruidoso man

He met his Dr. Brown on a blind date when he was 31. Vordermann wooed her, he said, by fixing gourmet meals and taking them to her at the Milwaukee hospital where she worked. Vordermann still loves to cook elaborate meals, including what he calls "real" Beef Wellington as well as roasted pork loin served with an apple and raisin chutney.

He married Dr. Brown a few months later and within two years they began searching for a way to move to New Mexico, Brown's home state. When the offer came from Ruidoso to open a family practice, they took it, relocating here in 1983. The couple now live with their 9-year-old son Ryan on 35 acres of land not five minutes from the heart of Ruidoso.

At the time of the move, Dr. Brown told her husband, then 33 years old, that he could take it easy in Ruidoso. "She said, 'I want you to retire. You've already been a success at business. Now you can ski and play golf.'"

Despite not retiring, Vordermann says he loves small-town life, with all of the small town quirks and dynamics that accompany it.

Plus, he found community involvement more rewarding than in a big city because the impact

he could make was so much greater, Vordermann said.

He was one of the residents instrumental in bringing Ruidoso reception of KHFM, a classical radio station. He started the First Defenders Program to coordinate community service projects for first-time misdemeanor offenders trying to work off their sentences. He and several others also instigated Ruidoso's Topsy Taxi, which provided free rides to inebriated residents and visitors. The taxi service was disbanded when a commercial taxi service came into town because they didn't want to be competition to a business, he said.

Perhaps the most surprising thing in light of Vordermann's work at the Family Practice Center, his various building projects and extensive volunteer service, is that he accomplishes everything with relaxed good humor and an impression of accessibility.

"When you think of Ruidoso, you think of Paul Vordermann," said Detective. Born. "That's what

Ruidoso is all about. It's just a nice feeling that you can depend on somebody."

Vordermann, in addition to building cars, houses, computers and furniture, also builds community.



Tom K. Laxson/Ruidoso News

Paul Vordermann and his 9-year-old son Ryan rake up pine needles next to their home so the lawn will flourish this spring. Vordermann built his house as well as the guest house behind it.

# New businesses arrive

## LINCOLN TRAILS

The big news for Lincoln is the opening of the Wortley Hotel. The chef is John Brown and Ben Leisure is the wine steward and cashier. The hotel looks so nice with the new renovations. There are now two restrooms and a nice wine/beer bar. The beautiful cherry wood sideboard makes a lovely background for the bar. The bar was remodeled from room No. 1. The Wortley Hotel is owned by the Lincoln County Heritage Trust.

C.K. Streibling is now the new chairman of the Lincoln County Heritage Trust. Lincoln also has a new business featuring pottery. Mr. and Mrs. Daughtery have leased the building that was the Stagecoach Cafe as their home and have leased two rooms in the schoolhouse for their wholesale/retail pottery business.

Next door to us, Horace Cordova has sold his property. It will become a gallery and an espresso/dessert shop.

Phoebe and Nina Taylor have returned from an extended trip to California. They visited with their sister/daughter and family, Shirley and Ed Dimas and children, visited with Ray's sister in Clear Lake and other relatives in the Sacramento area. Nina really enjoyed the sights, the blooming trees and flowers around San Francisco area. She didn't particularly care for the airplane trip from Las Vegas to California - too bleak, but did enjoy the trip home.

During Valentine weekend Evangelist Rev. George Birlew per-

formed 15 weddings in the front of San Juans Church. Rev. Birlew is a new resident of Lincoln, living in the former Irvin Aldaz home.

Charlie and Lucille Ritchie have moved into their new home east of Lincoln.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Dunlap attended the confirmation of Linda and Bob Hart in the St. Andrews Episcopal Church in Las Cruces last Sunday. They then shopped in El Paso, getting building materials for the shop.

The Lincoln Pageant and Festivals organizational group met at K-Bob's in Ruidoso Sunday night.

Cheri Hobbs has been missing from the Lincoln Post Office after undergoing surgery. Gladys Hobbs and Ceil Dockray have been tending the post office during her absence.

There seems to be work still going on at the Montano Store.

Shawna Shreengost and Rusty Barrows have been busy attending various FFA judging activities this month. Sounds like the team and members are doing quite well. Certainly are keeping long hours and doing a lot of traveling.

Our sympathy goes to the family of Myra Richards. Myra never forgot the time we took our children out to the ranch to visit with her. She was such a fun lady and will be missed. She was one of the faithful attending the Lincoln County Fair and helping at the Corona Cowbelle Booth

## WEDDINGS ANNIVERSARIES



Dean and Speedy Haynes

Dean and Speedy Haynes of Ruidoso will celebrate their 59th wedding anniversary at 1-5 p.m. Sunday, March 23 with an open house at 420 Bradley.

All their friends and neighbors are invited to drop by to say "Hi," share their cake and punch or stay for lots of visiting. No gifts please.

Send us your wedding announcements



Ab and Phyllis Zumwalt

Ab and Phyllis Zumwalt of Hondo will celebrate their 50th anniversary at 2-4 p.m. Saturday, April 5 at Nogal Presbyterian Church in Nogal. Friends and relatives are invited. No gifts please.

It will be hosted by their children Buckley and Carol Zumwalt of Carrizozo; Sherman and Glen Philpott of Siloam Springs, Ark.; Dunny and Clara Zumwalt of Las Cruces; Rusty and Mackie Zumwalt of Tinnie and Jack and Yvonne Zumwalt of Artesia.



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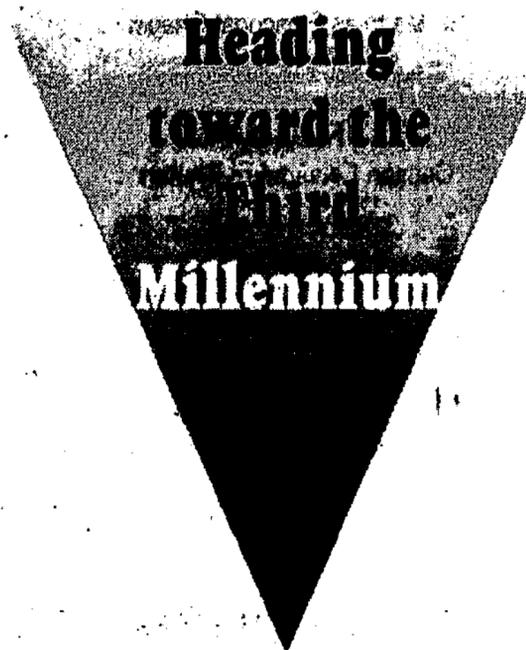
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# Church calendar

## ASSEMBLY OF GOD

### Apache Indian Assembly of God

Mescalero  
Donald Pettey, pastor  
Telephone: 671-4747  
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 Lenard, Pastor  
Sunday School-9:30 a.m.  
Sunday morning worship-10:45 a.m.  
(includes children's church)  
Sunday evening praise-6 p.m.  
Wednesday family night-7 p.m.

## BAPTIST

### First Baptist Church

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

### First Baptist Church

Ruidoso  
420 Mechem Drive  
D. Allen Cearley, Pastor  
Sunday School-9:30 a.m.  
Sunday worship-10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.  
Wednesday services-7 p.m.

### First Baptist Church

Ruidoso Downs  
David Jordan, Pastor  
General Assembly-9:30 a.m.  
Worship hour - 11 a.m.  
Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.  
Evening worship - 6 p.m.  
Wednesday prayer meeting-7 p.m.

### First Baptist Church

Tyrone  
Bill Jones, Pastor  
Sunday School-9:45 a.m.  
Sunday worship-11 a.m.

### Iglesia Bautista Vida Eterna

420 Mechem Drive  
Luis F. Gomez, Pastor

Domingos: Escuela Dominical 10 a.m.

Culto de Predicacion, 11 a.m.

Culto de Predicacion 6 p.m.

Miercoles: Estudio Biblico 7 p.m.

### Mescalero Baptist Mission

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

### Ruidoso Baptist Church

126 Church Drive  
Palmer Gateway  
Wayne Joyce, Pastor  
Randel 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)  
Floyd Goodloe, Pastor  
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.  
AWANA Wed - 6:30 p.m.  
For information, call 354-3119

## BAHA'I FAITH

### Baha'i Faith

Meeting in members' homes.  
For information, call 257-3987 or 336-7739.

## CATHOLIC

### St. Eleanor Catholic Church

Ruidoso 257-2330  
Reverend Richard Catanach  
Sacrament of Penance - Sat. 4:30 p.m.  
or by appointment.  
Saturday Mass - 6:00 p.m.  
Sunday Mass-10 a.m. (English)  
11:30 a.m. (Bilingual)  
Sacrament of Reconciliation:  
Saturday-4:30 p.m.  
Sunday Mass-St. Jude Thaddeus,  
San Patricio-8 a.m.  
Women's Guild-7 p.m. the third Monday  
Knights of Columbus-7 p.m.  
2nd and 4th Tuesday.

### Sacred Heart Catholic Church

Capitan 354-0102  
Saturday Mass-3 p.m.  
Sunday Mass-9 a.m.  
Adult Bible Study Monday-6 p.m.  
Santa Rita Catholic Church  
Carrizozo 648-2853  
Father Dave Bergs, Pastor.  
Saturday Mass-6:30 p.m.  
Sunday Mass-11 a.m.  
Adult Bible Study Tuesday-6 p.m.

### St. Theresa Catholic Church

Corona  
Sunday Mass-6 p.m.

### St. Joseph Apache Mission

Mescalero  
Father Tom Herbst, Pastor  
Sunday Mass-10:30 a.m.  
Our Lady of Guadalupe  
Bert  
Father Tom Herbst, Pastor  
Saturday Mass-6 p.m.  
Sunday Mass-8 a.m.

## CHRISTIAN

### First Christian Church

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

## CHURCH OF CHRIST

### Church of Christ

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

### Gateway Church of Christ

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

## CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST LATTER DAY SAINTS

### Church of Jesus Christ LDS

Ruidoso Branch - 336-4359 or 257-9691  
12 miles North on Hwy 48 on east side  
between mile posts 14 and 15.  
Sacrament meeting-10 a.m.  
Sunday School-11:10 a.m.  
Priesthood Relief Society-12:10 p.m.  
Primary & Young Women-11:10 a.m.

### Church of Jesus Christ LDS

Mescalero Branch - 434-0098  
Marvin Hansen, President  
Sunday: Priesthood & Relief Soc. 11:30 a.m.  
Sunday School & primary-noon  
Sacrament meeting-10:30 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

Glenoco  
Sunday: Holy Eucharist-9 a.m.

### St. Matthias Episcopal Chapel

Carrizozo, 6th & E Street  
Sunday: Holy Eucharist-9:30 a.m.

## FOURSQUARE

### Capitan Foursquare Church

Highway 48, Capitan  
Harold W. Perry, Pastor  
Sunday School-10 a.m.  
Sunday worship-11 a.m., 7 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible study-7 p.m.

## FULL GOSPEL

### Mission Fountain of Living Water Full Gospel

San Patricio  
Sunday School-10 a.m.  
Evening services-7:30 p.m. Sunday,  
Tuesday and Friday.

## JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

### Ruidoso - Kingdom Hall

106 Alpine Village Road  
258-3659, 258-3204

Sunday Public Talk - 1:30 p.m.

Sunday Watchtower - 2:20 p.m.

Monday Bible Study - 7:30 p.m.

Thursday Ministry School - 7:30 p.m.

Thursday Service Meet - 8:20 p.m.

### Congregacion Hispana de los Testigos de Jehova

106 Alpine Village Road  
258-3659, 336-7076

Reunion Publica Dom. - 10 a.m.

Estudio de la Atalaya Dom. - 10:50 a.m.

Estudio de Libro Lun. - 7 p.m.

Escuela del Ministerio Teocratico Mart. - 7 p.m.

Reunion de servicio Mart. - 7:50 p.m.

## LUTHERAN

### Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church

Hull Road  
258-4191, 257-5296  
Kevin L. Krohn, Pastor

Sunday worship-8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School & Adult Bible Class-9:30 a.m.

Wednesday: Noon-1 p.m. Bible Study

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## METHODIST

### Community United Methodist Church

Junction Road  
Behind Daylight Donuts  
Craig Cockrell, Pastor  
Sunday School-9:45 a.m.  
Sunday worship-8:30 a.m., 10:55 a.m.

### United Methodist Church Parish

Trinity Carrizozo/Capitan  
648-2893, 257-5614  
Warren K. Schoenecker Pastor,  
Capitan/Carrizozo

### Carrizozo

Sunday School 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday worship 11:10 a.m.  
Wednesday choir-6:30 p.m.

### Capitan

Sunday worship-9:15 a.m.  
Adult Sunday School-9:30 a.m. 2nd  
Sunday School 11 a.m.

## PENTECOSTAL

### Spirit of Life Apostolic/Pentecostal Tabernacle

Capitan, Lincoln Ave.  
(2/10 mile past fairgrounds heading  
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257-6864

Allan M. Miller-Pastor

Bible Study-7 p.m. Tuesday

Sunday School-10 a.m. Sunday

Sunday-Evening Services-6 p.m.

Ladies fellowship-6 p.m. last Thursdays

## NAZARENE

### Angus Church of the Nazarene

Angus  
at Bonito Park Nazarene Conference Center  
12 miles north of Ruidoso  
on Highway 48  
Charles Nail, Pastor  
336-8032

Sunday School-9:45 a.m.

Sunday worship-10:45 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday fellowship-6:30 p.m.

## PRESBYTERIAN

### First Presbyterian Church

Ruidoso, Nob Hill  
257-2220

James Hovland, Pastor

Church school-9:45 a.m.

Sunday worship-11 a.m.

Potluck fellowship lunch after worship the  
third Sunday; women's Bible study & brown  
bag lunch at noon the second Tuesday.

### Mountain Ministry Parish

Community United

Presbyterian Church

Ancho

Sunday worship-9 a.m.

Sunday School-10 a.m.

### Corona Presbyterian Church

Worship-11 a.m.

### Nogal Presbyterian Church

Adult Sunday School-10 a.m.

Worship-11 a.m.

## REFORMED CHURCH

### Mescalero Reformed

Mescalero

Bob Schut, Pastor

Church school-9:30 a.m.

Sunday worship-10:30 a.m.

Mon. junior high youth-6:30 p.m.

Wed. high school meeting-7 p.m.

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

## SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

### Seventh Day Adventist

Ruidoso Downs, Agua Fria  
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Pastor Rick Lytle 443-1904  
Assoc. Pastor Wilburn Morrow 622-1206  
Sabbath school-9:30 a.m.  
Church service-11 a.m.  
Prayer meeting Wednesday-7 p.m.

## NON-DENOMINATIONAL

### American Missionary Fellowship

Gregg Host  
354-2307

Ruidoso men's Bible study-noon, Monday,  
Pizza Hut, Mechem Drive  
Capitan youth group-7 p.m. Wednesday at the  
fair building

Women's Bible Study-6:30 Mondays

Adult Bible Study-6:30 p.m. Thursdays

### Calvary Chapel

433 Gateway Center

Pastor Ben Slaboda

257-5915

11 a.m. Sunday Worship

7 p.m. Wednesday, Mid-Week Bible Study  
& Kids' Adventure Club

### Christ Community Fellowship

Capitan, Highway 380 West

Ed Vinson, Pastor

354-2458

Sunday School-9:45 a.m.

Sunday worship-10:30 a.m.

### Cornerstone Church

Cornerstone Square,

613 Sudderth Drive

257-9265

B.A. Thurman, Pastor

Sunday services 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Wednesday-7 p.m.

### Iglesia Hispana Casa de Oracion

(nos reunimos en Calvary Chapel)

433 Gateway Center, 257-5126

Pastor Carlos Carreon

Martes 5 p.m. predicacion

Domingos 3 p.m. predicacion

### Living Word Church

441 Mechem, 257-3470

Pastors: Terry and Suzanne Lewis

Renewal services:

Sunday 10:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Wednesday noon - intercessory prayer

7 p.m. - mid-week services

### Peace Chapel Interdenominational (IJC)

Alto North

Jeamsle Price, Pastor

336-7075

Service Schedule:

Morning chapel - 6:50 a.m. (Sept. thru June)

Sunday Service - 11 a.m.

### Ruidoso Word Church

Ruidoso Downs

Al and Marty Lane, Pastors

378-8464

Children's Ministries-9:30 a.m.

Sunday worship-10:45 a.m.

Thursday services-7 p.m.

### Trinity Mountain Fellowship

Gavilan Canyon Road

336-4213

Sunday Worship

9:30-10:30 a.m. Prayer

9:30-10:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:30-12 Noon Service

For our weekly schedule call

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# Going out

## Community offers myriad of artistic ideas

By TONI K. LAXSON  
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Besides being a ski resort, a summer haven and a racetrack town, Ruidoso also is the hub of a respected artist community.

That artistic climate not only generates tourism dollars, it propagates Ruidoso's name recognition and contributes significantly to the area's charm and character, say artists and village leaders.

Even so, local artists and art appreciators believe Ruidoso is only scratching the surface of this area's cultural potential, based on comments at a recent public hearing sponsored by the Ruidoso Arts and Film Commission.

"We need to educate the community that art is business. It's big business," said one artist.

During the two-hour long and mostly free-form hearing, artists tossed about dozens of ideas - from a community-wide effort to woo the motion picture industry, to innovative "showings" of local artists' work in public libraries,

vacant downtown buildings and throughout area restaurants and stores.

"Create an arts calendar of the entire county and distribute it," suggested one artist.

"I'd like to see a county-wide guide of the artists for collectors who come here," said another artist.

"The Commission could sponsor juried competitions for sculpture in public places," suggested Richard Malcolm, a Ruidoso artist.

Out of the discussion, three suggestions repeatedly surfaced: create a centralized clearinghouse for information about local artists and events, provide an organization to pursue funding for local arts, and the artistic community itself needs to work more cohesively.

The Commission may soon apply for a state grant that could be used for a par-

ticular project supporting the arts. Though the Commission has yet to officially decide what that project may be, a

calendar of local artistic events is a strong possibility, said Bruce Eldredge, commission chair.

Information gathered from comments and surveys distributed at the public hearing will help commission mem-

bers decide on immediate and distant grant applications, Eldredge said. It also will help define what role the Commission takes in supporting the arts - whether to take on projects itself, or to funnel the work to other organizations and individuals.

The Commission is planning a one-day retreat in April or May to organize both its focus and role. Sherry Barrow, a consultant, is being paid \$2,500 by the village to help the Commission. Results from the retreat will be announced in early June, commission members said.

*"We need to educate the community that art is business. It's big business."*

Local artist at the recent Arts & Film Commission meeting

## Artistic brainstorming

Participants at a recent public hearing sponsored by the Ruidoso Art and Film Commission made the following suggestions to strengthen the local art community:

- Create an atmosphere that nurtures the arts.
- The village and Lincoln County should forge a coherent plan to support the arts.
- Serve as a conduit for arts funding.
- Create an arts calendar of art events occurring countywide.
- Create a countywide guide/directory of artists for collectors.
- Educate the citizenry about the importance of the arts in the local economy.
- Use the Chamber of Commerce as a centralized source of information on artists.
- Encourage more galleries to open in Lincoln County by offering incentives.
- The Chamber of Commerce should coordinate gallery openings.
- Convince local art galleries to work together.
- Sponsor art exhibits at public areas, such as the Ruidoso Public Library.
- The Ruidoso government should sponsor an arts program on a cable access channel.
- Ensure the viability of existing art galleries before trying to bring in more.
- Exhibit the work of local artists in Ruidoso's restaurants and retail stores.
- Provide a centralized means of getting publicity out to Alamogordo and Roswell.
- Ruidoso's galleries should combine resources to publish a joint brochure.
- Artists should work cooperatively rather than competitively.
- Musicians should be asked to play at gallery openings.
- The community as a whole should solicit business from the motion picture industry.
- The arts community should include schoolchildren as well as adults.
- Artists' works should be displayed in vacant downtown buildings.

## Now is the time to act, actress says

By TONI K. LAXSON  
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

If Ruidoso ever wants big-time movie producers to bring their big-time checkbooks here, it will take the entire community to woo them, said Nell Heller.

"We're at a point now where it's going to be, 'Let's do it,' or, 'Let's not do it,'" said Heller, a television actress and Ruidoso resident.

She has been working with Stan Monks, a member of the Ruidoso Arts and Film Commission, to generate interest in grooming Ruidoso for the motion picture industry. The economic rewards of such an endeavor would be tremendous, she said.

"They say that every dollar spent (attracting the industry) creates \$1,000," said Heller, quoting national media reports.

Another source she quotes, a production company that scouted New Mexico for film sites in 1986, ranked Ruidoso second in the state as the most attractive location after Santa Fe.

She has numbers from the New Mexico Film Office showing that the film industry spent almost \$60 million in the state between 1994 and 1995, about \$31 million in 1995-1996, and is projected to spend about \$37 million in 1996-1997.

Heller is assisting Monks, who is in England with his family, with his second attempt at inspiring local interest in the motion picture industry. Acting in Monks' place, Heller proposed the idea at a recent public hearing of the Ruidoso Arts and Film Commission.

Monks first tried to initiate interest in 1994, and he prepared a feasibility study to illustrate the economic benefits. Heller said the idea never really took off.

Last year, the Arts and Film Commission invited 300 area merchants and residents to meet with officials from the state's film office to discuss opportunities, Heller said. The Commission canceled the meeting when only three or five people responded to the invitations, she added.

Now is an opportune time to revive interest in the proposal



because the Sierra Blanca Regional Airport offers commercial flights, a prerequisite for attracting the motion picture industry, and because the area is looking for new business opportunities, Heller said.

Also, the community ought to look at the updated study provided by Monks, she said. The study

includes a three-year operational plan and recommends hiring a part-time film coordinator for \$15,000. Heller said the village would have to pay a consultant \$80,000 for the study Monks has provided for free.

To be effective, the community would have to show production companies a "willingness to go the extra mile," Heller added.

"Yes, they expect perks. They don't expect to pay full price at hotels. But they bring in business that more than makes up for it," she said. "So, the village has to be willing to give in order to get."

### Heller's dramatic resume

Nell Heller, a Ruidoso resident of more than two years, has been acting most of her life.

Twelve years ago, she moved to California and branched out from a career primarily in the theater to include television and movie work.

Heller, who acknowledges being older than 30, is a member of the Screen Actors Guild and has been in episodes of the television series "Lazarus Man" and "Highway to Heaven."

**SPOTLIGHT**

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Gallery crawls  
 Artists' directory  
 Film festivals  
 Guided art loops  
 Hollywood Sets  
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**GOING OUT**

**Talbot's blues are back**

The Jim Talbot band belts out the blues starting at 9 p.m. at the Mescalero Night Club on Saturday, March 22. The nightclub is located on the Mescalero Apache Reservation next to Ruidoso on Carrizo Canyon Road. Cover is \$3.

Working out of the Austin, Texas area, the Jim Talbot Band are regulars at Joe's Generic Blues Bar on 6th Street.

Jim Talbot first moved to Austin in 1976 after working in various blues bands in his hometown of Providence, R.I.

Shortly after his arrival, Talbot began working the black clubs in East Austin, honing his vocal skills and developing a traditional yet unique guitar style. His main influences are BB, Freddy and Albert King.

Over the years, his territory has expanded to include Texas, New Mexico and Louisiana... with more than 20 years of experience, Jim Talbot has matured into a smooth, solid blues performer.

Appa Perry has been playing Fender bass with Jim Talbot for more than four years. Perry hails

from Vinton, La. and is a seasoned veteran with a colorful background. He has worked with many blues and rock greats during his 20-year tenure in Austin. Perry's

rock-steady bass anchors the Jim Talbot trio in a solid groove that is smooth, swinging, at times funky, and always danceable.

Bill Sneeringer rounds out the band on drums. Sneeringer cut his musical teeth in Houston, Texas and has worked with some of the top blues bands there. He has mastered a mature feel of the blues and plays driving swing and chugging shuffles that get dancers on their feet.

Together, the trio churns out some of the best traditional and original blues. No gimmicks, no attitude, just an honest, hard-working band doing what they love: playing the blues for you.



Talbot

**Talent show kicks off RLT season**

Someone is going to walk away with \$100 in cash for proving to be the Golden Talent among talents in the first Ruidoso Talent Show and Contest. Contestants take the stage at 6:30 p.m. Friday, March 21, at the RLT Castle off Highway 70. Tickets are \$7 for adults, \$5 for students and seniors.

"This show is going to be a lot of fun," said director Pamela Cromwell. "We have entries from people of all ages, singing, dancing, acting."

The idea behind the talent show is to raise a little money for RLT, and to give more people a chance to become familiar with the Castle, Cromwell said.

"RLT is a community theater,

**LOCAL TALENT**  
**What:** Ruidoso Talent Show  
**When:** 6:30 p.m. tonight, Friday, March 21  
**Where:** RLT Castle, Hwy 70  
**Cost:** \$7 for adults, \$5 for students and seniors

so I think the community should really get to know our new home," she said.

As a theater of the community, for the community, by the community, RLT is always encouraging part-time or amateur thespians to

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**Heller: always a good 'school nurse'**

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"I was always good for a school nurse or a librarian," she said.

She also has had parts in the made-for-television movie "My

First Name is Steven," and the Hallmark production of "The American Story."

She has had parts in several of the daytime soap operas.

But, "most of my work," she said, "has been in commercials."

**Brainstorm: artists make suggestions**

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- Ruidoso should sponsor an annual film festival.
- Guided tours of artists' studios should be revived.
- Artistic competitions ought to be publicized and held in public

- arenas.
- Artists should fill historic homes on tour with their art.
- The local newspaper ought to do more to promote local artists and art events.
- The local newspaper ought to feature critiques of local arts.

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**RLT: season starts with talent show**

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add their talents to the mix of volunteers. Anyone, with or without experience, can try out for a play. Little Theater also needs people for costume and make-up work, prop management, concession sales, and a myriad of small, behind-the-scenes tasks.

RLT purchased the Castle last year, and the non-profit theater company has been adjusting to the change. The Castle is still in serious need of repair and upgrading, Cromwell said. Board members have chased bats out of the Castle's turrets, mended immense holes in the roof, and cleaned like mad. However, RLT members still have a huge amount of work ahead of them before the Castle shines like Camelot again.

"Lately we've had trouble with the heaters, as anyone who attended the last high school play can attest," Cromwell said. "We didn't know it, but the gas company had turned off all the lines in the area because of a broken water pipe. Then they forgot to turn our gas back on. We didn't realize the heaters actually weren't heating because it takes so long to heat that auditorium anyway. It's comfortable in there now."

Once the basics are taken care of and the building is sound, RLT plans to fix up a conference room adjoining the lobby and lease it for

public use. There is also a large chamber in the part of the Castle that crosses Crown Point Drive, and that room may one day be a rehearsal hall or dance studio.

Despite current difficulties, minor disasters, and a looming balloon payment on the mortgage, RLT volunteers are optimistic about the future and see great potential in the Castle. Maintaining cash flow is critical now, so the board has slated a full schedule of plays for 1997.

Right after the talent show, the season opens with "Woman Talk," a one-act play that runs for two weekends, March 27-29 and April 3-5. Six more plays and the year-end Betty Awards comprise the season, and season tickets sell for \$50. The stage is pretty much booked on weekends through the summer. For anyone wanting to use the stage, weekend openings begin in August, and November is currently wide open, Cromwell said.

"We have some great stuff planned for this year," Cromwell said. "I hope our community will come to the plays and use the theater. The more people we have involved, the better quality productions we can offer."

Membership in RLT is \$10. If you would like to participate in Ruidoso Little Theater, either on stage or behind the scenes, call Pamela Cromwell at 354-3209.



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### ADULT SINGLES GROUP

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

### ALCOHOLIC'S ANONYMOUS

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

### ALL AMERICAN

#### DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

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

### ALTO WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

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

### ALTRUSA CLUB

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

### ALZHEIMER'S MONTHLY SUPPORT GROUP

Meets the first Wednesday of each month at 7-9 p.m. at Ruidoso Care Center. Call 257-9171 for more information.

### AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED PERSONS

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

### AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY OF LINCOLN COUNTY

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

### AMERICAN LEGION

#### ROBERT J. HAGEE, POST 79

Meets at 7 p.m. the third Wednesday in the American Legion Building at U.S. Highway 70 and Spring Road in Ruidoso Downs. For more information call 257-5796.

### AMERICAN SEWING GUILD OF NEW MEXICO

Neighborhood group meeting. Call Jennie Powell at 258-3896.

### B.P.O.E. No. 2086

Elk's meets in the Elk's Lodge Building on U.S. Highway 70. 7:30 p.m. the first and third Thursdays of every month.

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

### BETA SIGMA PHI

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

### BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

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

### CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

Meets the third Tuesday of each month from 7-9 p.m. at the Senior Center, 501-A Sudderth Drive. Call 258-4682 or 258-3726 for information.

### CHOIR GROUP

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

### CHRISTIAN SERVICES OF LINCOLN COUNTY INC.

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

### CO-DEPENDENTS ANONYMOUS

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

### COMMUNITY FRIENDS OF THE VIETNAM WAR

Meets at 6 p.m. the first Monday of each month at the VFW Post 7686 Auxiliary Hall, 700 Hwy. 70 West, Alamogordo.

### COUNSELING CENTER

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

### DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

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

### DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS COE-CURRY CHAPTER 23

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

### FAMILY CRISIS CENTER

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

### FAMILIES & FRIENDS FOR FAIRNESS & SUPPORT

Meets 6:30-8 p.m. 2nd Monday of the month at #12 Tara Woods Condos, 102 Eagle, Ruidoso. We give support and information to families and friends of special needs persons. For more information call Jenny at 258-3993.

### FEDERATED REPUBLICAN WOMEN OF LINCOLN COUNTY

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

### FRATERNAL ORDER OF POUCE LODGE #26

Meets at K-Bob's Steak House Restaurant at noon every Thursday.

### FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

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

### GOLDEN AGE CLUB

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

### HIV + SUPPORT GROUP

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

### HUMANITARIAN SOCIETY OF LINCOLN COUNTY

Meets at 4 p.m. the third Wednesday of every month at Texas-New Mexico Power community room.

### KIWANIS CLUB

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

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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

### LA JUNTA F.C.E.

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

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

### LINCOLN COUNTY BIRD CLUB

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

### LINCOLN COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY

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

### LINCOLN COUNTY FOOD BANK

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

### LINCOLN COUNTY HOMEBUILDERS

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

### LINCOLN COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER AUXILIARY

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

### LINCOLN COUNTY PRIDE!

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

### LINCOLN COUNTY RESOURCE EXCHANGE

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

### LINCOLN COUNTY SHERIFF'S POSSE

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

### LIONS INTERNATIONAL EVENING LIONS CLUB

Meets in the Lions Hut on Skyland behind Mountain Laundry on Tuesdays for supper.

### MASONIC LODGE #73

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

### NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED FEDERAL EMPLOYEES, CHAPTER 1379

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

### NOBY WATERS SERTOMA CLUB

Every Wednesday at noon at the Enchantment Inn. For more information call 257-2021.

### OPTIMIST CLUB

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

### ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

#### RUIDOSO CHAPTER #65

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

### OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS

Meets 10 a.m. every Saturday at Perfect Health Therapeutic Massage, 1204 Mechem, Suite 11. Please call 258-1153 for more information.

### PINE TOP ROAD AND CUSTOM CAR CLUB

Meets every second Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at the Texas-New Mexico Power Building.

### QUILTING GROUP

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

### REPUBLICAN PARTY OF LINCOLN COUNTY

Meets the first Monday of each month at 6 p.m. Anyone interested is welcome. For more information call Bob Nys at 258-4372 or Pat Hume at 354-2382.

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#### RUIDOSO-HONDO VALLEY CLUB

Meets at the Swiss Chalet Inn at noon on Tuesdays.

### RUIDOSO CARE CENTER AUXILIARY

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

### RUIDOSO CHESS CLUB

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

### RUIDOSO DOWNS AUXILIARY

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

### RUIDOSO DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

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

### RUIDOSO FEDERATED WOMAN'S CLUB

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

### RUIDOSO GARDEN CLUB

Meets in various locations at 10 a.m. the third Tuesday of every month. For information call 258-5509 or 25-2877.

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### RUIDOSO GYM CLUB

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

### RUIDOSO PINCENAKERS QUILTING GROUP

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

### RUIDOSO PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

Meets at noon the second Wednesday of every month at the Civic Events Center.

### RUIDOSO SHRINE CLUB

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

### RUIDOSO VALLEY NOON LIONS

Meets at Cree Meadows Country Club for breakfast at 7:30-11:30 a.m. Tuesdays.

### RUIDOSO VEGETARIAN CLUB

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

### SERENITY SEEKERS AL-ANON FAMILY GROUP

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

### SERVICE CLUB COUNCIL

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

### SIERRA BLANCA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

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

### SIERRA BLANCA DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

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

### SIERRA BLANCA SWINGERS

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

### TENN

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

### THURSDAY BRIDGE

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

### UNITED WE STAND

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

### VFW Post 7072

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

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

**Ruidoso News**  
March 21, 1947

**ROUND UP** — Things I noticed just by looking around: If Sunday wasn't enough to give every living human being within a radius of 50 miles of Ruidoso the spring fever those who were not smitten have no soul, and are to be pitied. There could not be a much more perfect day anytime of year

or any place... Beautiful new homes overlooking the golf course and belonging to Texas enthusiasts... Bill and Bebe Coe home from the Legislature and happy about it... Jerry McCanlies of Palo Verde having fun dancing Saturday night... Edith Boyce the same night helping furnish the music by playing the piano almost every evening... The most popular song on juke boxes in Ruidoso is "Jole Blone"... The Ruidoso News being read all over the county — by the way, we go into 26 states now, three foreign countries and Hawaii.

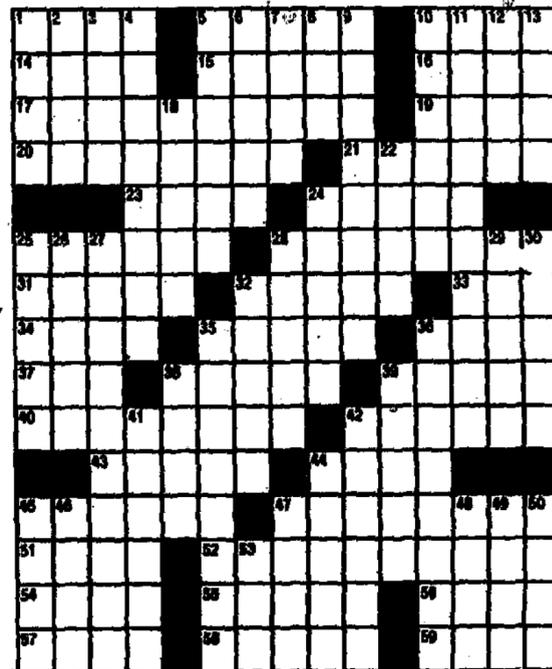
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- 47 Necessary nutrients
- 51 Fiery gem
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Puzzle by Gregory E. Paul

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- 7 Look after
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- 9 Like an elk
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Is the Bowl open? You bet!

Before Ski Apache had its web site and we started our e-mail program, the folks that fielded all the phone calls joked about how many callers asked just that one question. Now that I answer upwards of 100 pieces of e-mail a day, I guess the joke is on me. Before the Bowl opened this year, probably 50% of the e-mail requests were that same question. Must be a very popular place. And deservedly so, this is certainly the largest skiable acreage on the mountain and has the most widely varied terrain.

TRAIL TALK



Jim Secor  
Ski Apache

You get there by taking the Gondola or Chair 1 to the top, ski the catwalk to The Face. From there you have a couple of options. After a good dump of powder, the south face, accessible from all along The Face, offers some of the best powder on the mountain. The trees are widely spaced so you have some margin for error. This route dumps you into the fingers, ending up at the load ramp for Chair 6.

When the south face is a little thin, or you're not ready for the deep stuff, cross over The Face from the catwalk and traverse across to the liftline and down.

Once you ride Chair 6 to the top there are a number of paths to take. A "must see" is the view from Apache

Bowl Ridge, running along the fenceline, which is the upper boundary of the ski area. The view of White Sands is breathtaking and you can see the lower extents of the malpais. Continue along the ridge for the easiest route back to the chair lift, or cut off early for some fast GS turns around some well placed trees. More adventurous tree skiing can be had by going down Game Trail a little ways then taking a left. If you go too far you will miss the load area for Chair 6 and find your self in Upper Deep Freeze.

The liftline offers some of the best skiing at Apache Bowl. I prefer the skiers' right side, which funnels down near the bottom for a short little bump run before getting back on the lift.

Snowboarders and those skiers who like to get a little air between their skis and the snow, just love The Fingers. A bunch of naturally formed halfpipes, they were formed by lava flows way back a millennia or so ago.

Because The Bowl has its own lift, you can get a lot of mileage, and there is rarely any wait in the queue. By lunchtime you will be ready to stop at the top lift terminal and head into the snack bar. This is a really cozy warming spot with a great view.

I have certainly enjoyed giving you my perspective on the trails at Ski Apache. Remember we are open through Easter Sunday, March 30. Come on up and enjoy the great spring skiing we have to offer.

See you on the slopes. Jim

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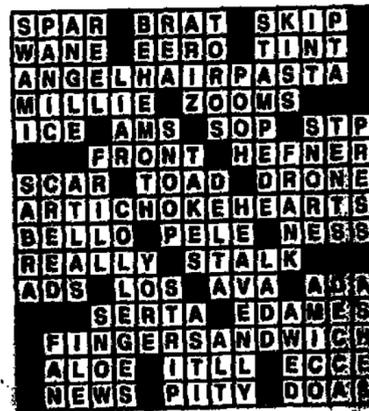
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- 1 Rights
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- 4 Of the cloth
- 5 Flute sound

# The Johnson County War and the bravest man in Wyoming

(This is the first in a two-part series about the Johnson County War.)

There were a number of range wars in the Old West, the Lincoln County War being the most famous, thanks largely to Billy the Kid. But small wars and feuds were forever popping up across the West: the Mason County War, the Sutton-Taylor feud, and the Johnson County War, just to name a few.

## PAST TENSE



Drew Gomber  
Ruidoso News

Wyoming was and is a vast landscape populated by few people. It is cattle country, with mild summers and ferocious winters.

From the 1870s through the 1890s the Wyoming cattle country was largely controlled by foreign interests, primarily English and Scottish.

## Hollywood told it wrong

Contrary to most of what the movies tell us, the people that settled the West were *not* here to build a new and better world for themselves. On the contrary, they were here trying to re-create what they had left behind in the East. The new and better world came about, well, basically by accident.

The men who ran the Wyoming Stock Growers Association were no different, at least in that sense. They, too, were trying to re-create what they had left behind in the British Isles, which explains why they tended to look on the cowboys as serfs.

Their foreign capital bought a lot: politicians, courts, newspapers and public opinion. They weren't all foreign, of course. Wealthy eastern businessmen and railroads were also among their investors. None of these groups of people were popular with your average westerner.

## Drought kills range cattle so the Association alters the rules

In the summer of 1886 there was a severe drought in Wyoming and it weakened the cattle. When the Wyoming winter arrived, everything that lived out on the range died. Cattle died by the thousands. For those who had been there, it was reminiscent of the slaughter of the buffalo in the preceding decades.

Now the cattlemen badly needed the cowboys. But instead of giving the cowboys incentive, they tried to bully them into submission. A new scale of wages went into effect, titled "fair, but reduced" by the Association.

Cowboys were hired on a "part-time" basis and then jettisoned the first time there was a lull in the work. Unfortunately, it is a practice that is once again becoming popular with some of the larger corporations today.

For awhile, the cowboys went on strike, demanding \$40 a month in wages. The problem was, the rugged individuality that defines the cowboy worked against them on

this particular occasion, and it wasn't long before the strike was broken.

Then, after the strike, when the Association had the perfect opportunity to be magnanimous and make friends, they became vicious.

The Association blackballed the leaders of the strike, making it impossible for these men to get work. They were left with one of two choices: they could either leave Wyoming, or they could try to homestead and start their own cattle spreads.

## Necessity breeds a community of rustlers

As the Association should have expected, the practice of mavericking ran rampant. (Mavericking was the taking of unbranded cattle, usually calves, and slapping your own brand on them.) In addition, the Association issued a directive that closed down the "grub lines."

In winter, out-of-work cowboys rode the grub line, going from ranch to ranch, receiving free meals and shelter for the night. In this fashion they were able to survive until spring when the roundups began. The Association's edict stated that any cowboy looking for a meal had to pay 50 cents for it. This stunned even the men who had managed to stay employed.

The situation forced many honest men to rustle just to survive, and the Association took the consequences of their actions with typical bad grace. They announced that Wyoming was now divided into two camps: the "honest" men and the rustlers. Included on their list of rustlers was anyone whose homesteads included cattle that "everyone knew they could not afford."

Next, the Association hired "detectives" who took many a cowboy to court but were frustrated when a jury of the cowboy's peers — other cowboys — let the accused go free. With this, the Association turned to terrorism.

## Wild west terrorism

In 1889, a part-time prostitute known as "Cattle Kate" (whose real name was Ella Watson) was taken along with her paramour, storekeeper Jim Averill, and lynched one dark night. The proceedings were botched, however, and the two slowly strangled to death.

They had been suspected of stealing cattle.

The Association announced that Johnson County was the seat of all rustling activity in Wyoming and vowed to burn the rustlers out, literally if necessary. They sent emissaries to Texas, where they recruited more than 20 gunmen. They were hired on at \$5 a day plus expenses, with a \$50 bonus for every rustler they killed. The Association reportedly had a "dead list" with more than 70 names on it. Things were starting to look ugly.

To give an idea how powerful the Association had become in Wyoming, it is known that the governor of Wyoming knew of the approaching war, and did nothing.

The Association formed an "army" of approximately 50 men. In addition to the Texas gunmen, there were 15 or 20 of the top

cattlemen, a surgeon, three teamsters, and two newspapermen, one from Cheyenne and one from Chicago.

Curiously, it never seemed to occur to the Association that they would be perceived as anything other than men administering justice to a lawless land. They were so confident of their success, in fact, that they took great pains to neutralize the state militia should some local lawman decide to call upon them for assistance. Then they cut the telegraph lines to Johnson County.

It never occurred to them that the hunters could become the hunted.

## The army begins the conflict

On Tuesday, April 5, 1892, a train with blacked-out windows pulled out of Cheyenne. Inside, according to historian Leon Metz, were the "invaders, horses, supplies, wagons, and enough ammunition to kill everyone in three states." Later that day, the train arrived in Casper and unloaded.

At dawn the following morning the Association's "army" started cross-country on horseback. Their arrogance was mind-boggling. They intended to ride into Buffalo, Wyo., the Johnson County seat, kill the sheriff and county commissioners, and then knock off rustlers as they found them.

They thought no one would notice — or apparently mind — them running about the countryside executing whoever struck their fancy. The Old West was always known as a lawless place, but it was never quite that lawless, especially by 1892.

Sixty-five miles north of Casper, the little army changed its plans. Not being a *real* army, there was no discipline. Consequently, by this time, most of the Texans were now drunk and arguing amongst themselves. In addition, word reached them that Nate Champion, a man near the top of their dead list, a man they considered to be the most notorious rustler in Wyoming, was holed up with some friends at the KC Ranch. Despite the fact that the Association considered Champion to be a notorious cattle thief, it is a matter of record that Champion had no criminal record and was not wanted by the law anywhere. He had never been indicted for anything.



Nate Champion (left) the man who held off an army of gunmen.

## The Association makes a mistake

The Association decided to put their plans for Buffalo, the sheriff, and the county commissioners on the back burner for the time being so that they might go and wipe out Champion and his friends.

The little army rode all night through a blinding snowstorm so they could arrive at the KC Ranch before dawn. The Texans suffered terribly during this ride, as few of them had brought any winter clothing. They had not counted on the Wyoming winter reaching well into what they had always considered to be spring. Nevertheless, they suffered no casualties and when dawn finally arrived, the army of gunmen and aristocrats had completely surrounded the KC Ranch.

The night before, two trappers had taken refuge there from the storm and had spent the night in the cabin with Nate Champion and his partner, Nick Ray.

When morning came, the two trappers came out of the house and headed down to the stream for water. Luckily for these two men, they were not on the dead list and were quietly taken prisoner.

When the pair did not return, Nick Ray stepped outside for a look. It turned out to be a fatal mistake. A number of rifles cracked and Ray went down. Suddenly his partner, Nate Champion, burst through the door, his six-gun blazing. Laying down a covering fire with one hand, Champion dragged Nick Ray back inside with the other.

So began one of the most extraordinary and one-sided gun battles the Old West ever knew.

The Association had planned on eliminating Champion and anyone with him as quickly and as easily as possible. They were wrong about that. Nate Champion was not about to go gently into that good night.

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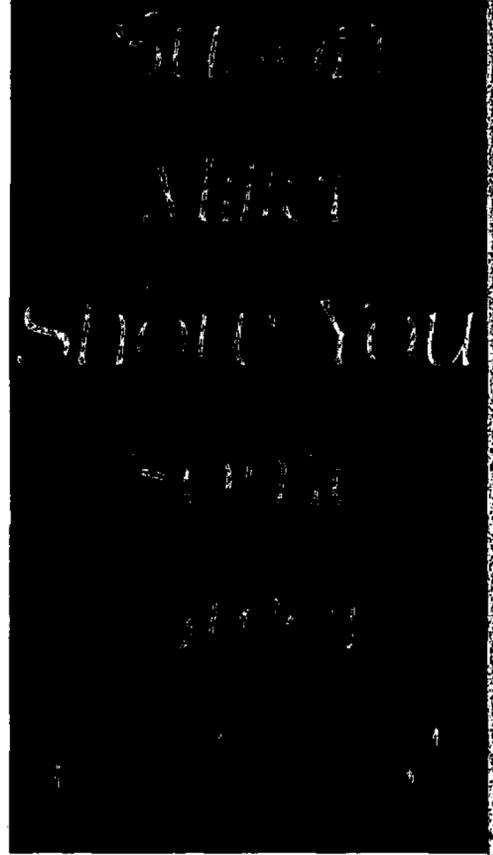
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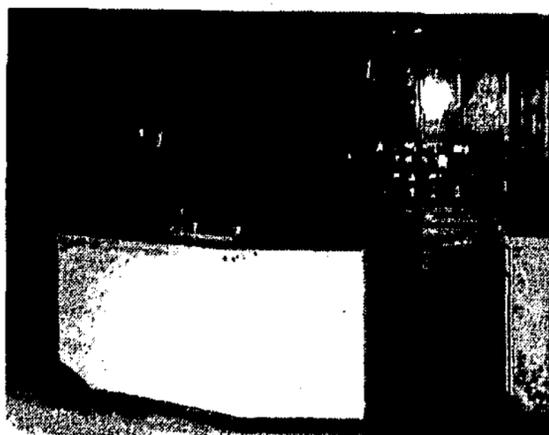
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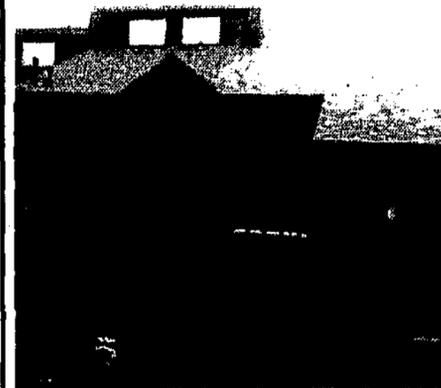
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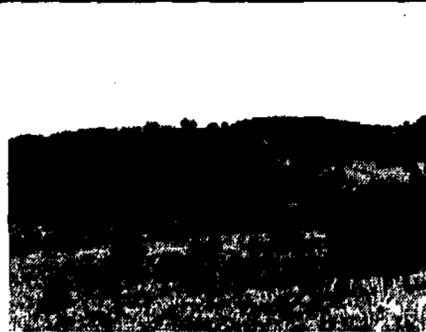
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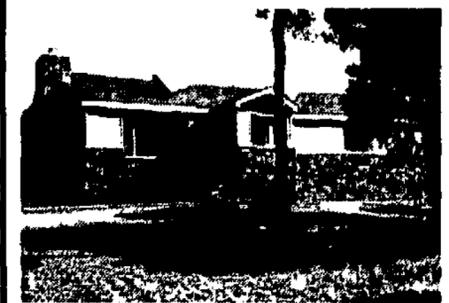
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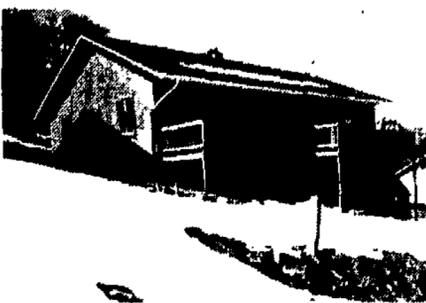
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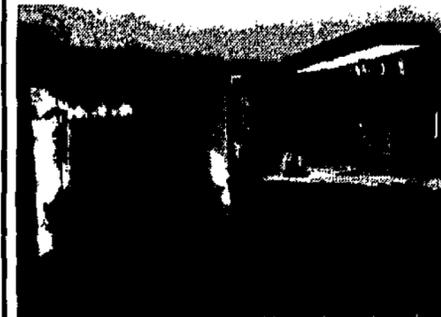
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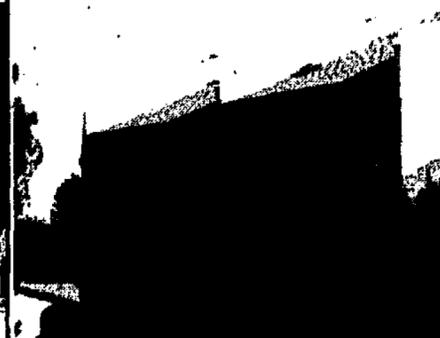
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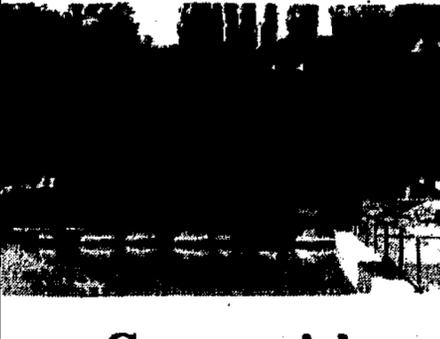
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3/3, furnished, full membership.



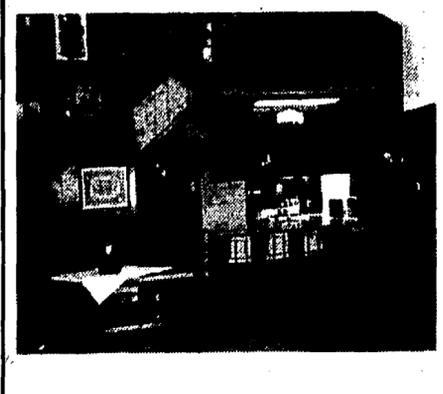
**Alto**

Stevens • \$155,000 • 423 Sunrise  
3/2 log home, full golf membership.



**Alto**

Kesterson • \$170,000 • 309 Midiron  
3/2, full golf, fully furnished. Big!



**Alto**

Calderon • \$186,500 • 121 Forest Dr.  
3/2, fully furnished, full golf!



**Reduced to \$179,500**

**Alto**

Gerron • \$189,900 • 819 High Mesa  
3/2 1/2, views, full golf membership!



**Alto**

Schellinger • \$195,000 • 213 Sierra Blanca Dr.  
Big chalet, full golf membership!



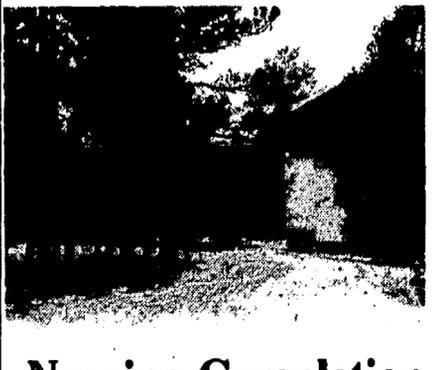
**Alto**

Mashburn • \$64,500 • 128 Mulligan  
Level, fairway lot, full golf, WOW!



**Alto**

Bloyd • \$259,500 • 822 Deer Park Dr.  
3/2 1/2, like new, full golf membership.



**Nearing Completion**

**Alto**

Powers • \$298,500 • 101 Juniper Ct.  
4/3 under construction, full golf membership.



**Alto**

Loyd • \$295,000 • 102 Coggins Ct.  
3/3 #6 Fairway, full golf membership



**Alto**

Messer • \$295,000 • 106 Forest Dr.  
4/4. Full golf. On 17th Fairway



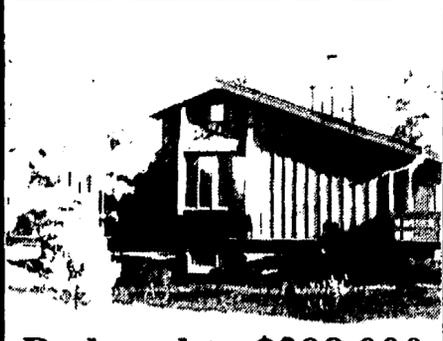
**Alto**

Sager • \$299,000 • 104 White Ct.  
3/2. Full golf. All one level. Sunny!



**Alto**

Lemaster • \$382,500 • 728 Deer Park Dr.  
3/3, full golf membership! Classy!



**Reduced to \$298,000**

**Alto**

Wiggs • \$339,000 • 808 Deer Park Dr.  
4/3 furnished, full golf membership



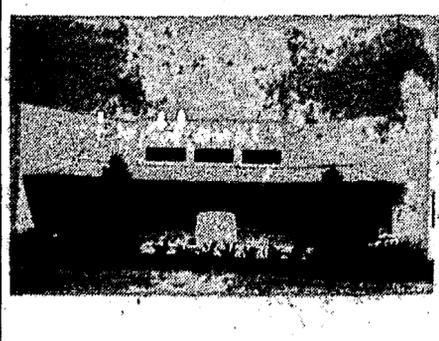
**Alto**

Neessen • \$53,000 • 839 Deer Park Dr.  
Beautiful social membership lot!



**Alto**

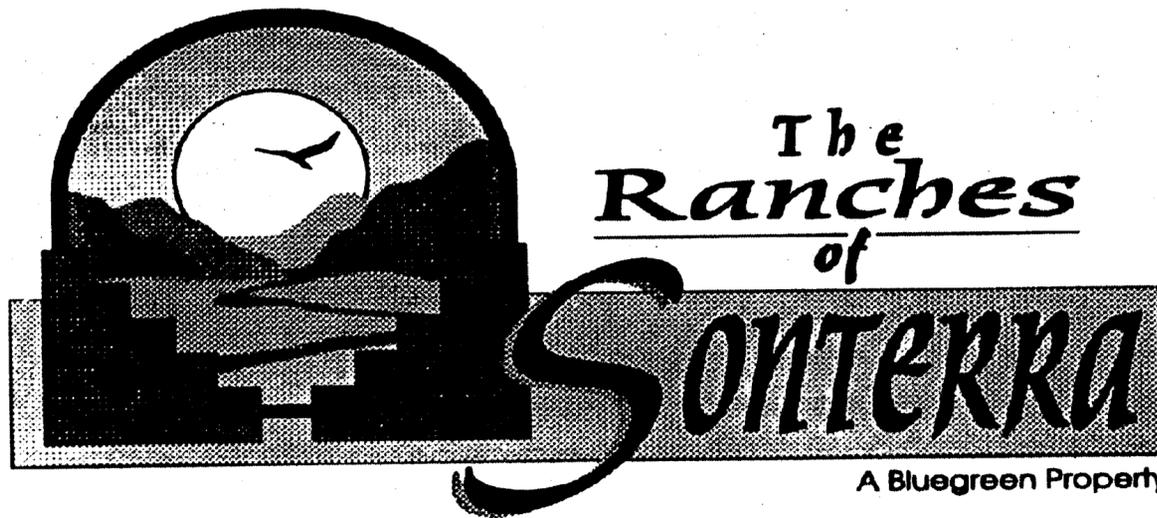
Bostic • \$379,000 • 714 Deer Park Dr.  
4/3 1/2, new, full golf membership!



**Alto**

Haines • \$459,000 • 114 Mulligan  
4/4 fairway home, full golf membership.

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