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▶ SAN PATRICIO SANCTUARY

Art gallery goes to the monks

• Benedictine monks and nuns arrive in San Patricio with plans to turn the former Meigs Gallery into a retreat for those seeking inner discovery and peace.

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEW STAFF WRITER

What was once a gallery stuffed full of the unusual and the fine is being converted into a retreat, a place where visitors can look for emotional peace and spend time on inner reflection.

The retreat will be run by the Benedictine monks and nuns, a group that first settled into New Mexico at Recos, where their paths crossed that of John Meigs last year.

Over several decades, Meigs amassed a collection ranging from the unique, such as an 1893 Chicago ferris wheel crafted out of toothpicks, to marvelous sketches and paintings by famous artists, first edition books and antique furniture and accessories.

About 42 years ago, Meigs bought a two-room house. Over the next five decades, he added land and walls to create a sprawling 19-room home and gallery along the Rio Hondo in San Patricio near The Sentinel Ranch, owned by his long-time friends, the late Peter Hurd and Henriette Wyeth.

But after his adopted son, Clinton Meigs, died a few years ago, Meigs had no family to take care of him as he aged — or to care for his collection and home after his death. So he started looking around and after two failed attempts to work out an arrangement with the state, he turned to the members of a Benedictine monastery in Pecos for help.

And they were eager to offer Meigs a refuge for the rest of his life in exchange for the 12.8-acre tract and building.



John Meigs and Eileen O'Brien chat about the future of the chapel where they're sitting on Meigs' property. It gets good strong sunshine from the south and is surrounded by a garden.

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Ruidoso director shows local history at Taos Film Festival

• "Storytellers of Lincoln County" documentary excerpt will be shown at 10 a.m. Saturday.

BY TONI K. LAXSON
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A 20-minute segment of a documentary of Lincoln County's residents recalling the area's history will be shown this weekend as part of the prestigious Taos Film Festival.

"It's an oral history from the direct descendants of the people who knew Billy the Kid," said film director Delana Michaels, a Ruidoso native and former West Coast actor.

She excerpted sections about Billy the Kid from her documentary "Storytellers of Lincoln County" for the festival.

Michaels' father, Carmon Phillips, sells the documentary at his Old Mill gift shop in Ruidoso and has collected local history through his photography.

The entire documentary, which was first shown in 1994, is 67 minutes long. It also includes oral histories about other notable Lincoln County residents such as Sheriff Pat Garrett and Gen. Blackjack Pershing, who served at Fort Stanton.

"I was glad to get it in the festival because it's been several years (since the documentary was completed)," Michaels said, adding that usually only recent films are allowed. "We had the premiere at the Museum of the Horse (in Ruidoso Downs) several years ago." It also has been shown at the Palm Springs International Film Festival and the International Documentary Film Festival in Lisbon, Portugal.

The documentary excerpt will be shown at 10 a.m. Saturday in the Caffe Tazza at 122 Carson Road in Taos. The film festival began Thursday and concludes Sunday.

Michaels is featured as an actor in another film at the festival, "Lewis & Clark & George."



Delana Michaels

Contributed photo

Board trashes Ruidoso ideas for garbage collection service

• A lack of unanimous support Wednesday kept Ruidoso representatives on the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority may prompt Ruidoso to assume its own collection service, officials say.

BY TONI K. LAXSON
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One "no" vote and one abstention Wednesday kept Ruidoso representatives on the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority Board from the unanimous support they said is essential to make the countywide garbage service viable.

"I consider a negative if we can't get at least a conceptual agreement," Ruidoso Mayor Jerry Shaw said.

"We, as a council, have some decisions to make," Ruidoso Councilor Robert Donaldson said. "And time is of the essence, because we have got a loan out there where (Ruidoso) represents 50 to 60% of the revenue of this board. And I'll be honest . . . but I can't support signing Ruidoso's future away by signing a loan if I don't think this thing can work."

In a meeting that often dissolved

into argumentative debate, the 11-member LCSWA board discussed six proposals from the Ruidoso Council to improve its garbage collection service. Ruidoso has received endless complaints about litter around trash bins because of wild animals and poor service.

Board member Monroy Montes, who also chairs the Lincoln County Commission, voted against Ruidoso's proposal for LCSWA to become a rate-setting authority. Currently, village and county members on the board set their rates.

"To like the concept is to like dissolving the Solid Waste Authority as it now exists and calling it a special district," Montes said of the change.

At one point in the meeting, Montes said "I feel like a hostage," referring to the Ruidoso proposals.

Board member Cecilia Kuhnel, mayor of Carrizozo, abstained from the vote. When asked the reason for her abstention, Kuhnel said she did not like to be bullied.

Revenue from Ruidoso's collection service represents the majority of the LCSWA's operating budget,

"I feel like a hostage."

Monroy Montes, County Commission Chairman



Donaldson said. The board didn't vote on the other five points recommended by the Ruidoso Council.

Shaw walked out of the meeting shortly after the split vote.

"We voted on one thing and they refused to vote on anything else. And I didn't see any reason in wasting my time listening to things I've listened to for three years," Shaw explained later.

Arguments at the meeting ranged from what would have been included in a halted LCSWA study by Eastern New Mexico University, to whether Ruidoso sold the LCSWA poor equipment when the consortium was formed, to whether pine needles should be picked up by the service.

"We can sit and talk about the past all day long. But can we please

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▶ SLOTS NOW LEGAL

Governor Johnson signs off on Legislature's gambling bill

• One down — one to go, say local gambling entities in response to governor's signing of the bill to legalize gambling at Indian casinos, tracks and clubs.

BY TONI K. LAXSON
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Gov. Gary Johnson signed the Legislature's gambling bill Thursday, moving at least two local organizations one step closer to becoming gambling entities.

"Well, I think it's about time," said Tommy Hall, chairman of trustees at the Elks Club on State Highway 70. Besides existing Indian casinos, the bill legalizes gambling machines at fraternal organizations and racetracks. "As long as they treat us equal to the Indians, I think it's great," Hall said.

"The governor said all along that he would sign the bill, so we were pretty comfortable with that," said Rick Baugh, Ruidoso Downs Racetrack general manager. "But we've got one more step to go and

that's if the Department of Interior signs the compact."

Lobbyists and state officials have questioned whether the Indian gambling compacts within the bill will gain necessary federal approval, because of the 16% the state is to receive from video machine revenues at Indian casinos.

Rob Burpo, a lobbyist for the Mescalero Apache Tribe, said in earlier interviews he thought the percentage was too high to gain a signature from the U.S. Department of Interior. He said the state revenue share violates a federal mandate that requires tribes retain gambling exclusivity.

Catherine Bedell, spokesperson for the Mescalero Tribe, said Thursday the tribe has no official comment until after the Mescalero Apache Tribal Council reviews the compact in the new bill.

Gov. Johnson, in a prepared statement Thursday, said the bill he signed was "somewhat different from the bill

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Lightning cuts out classic radio; snowpack slows repair work

Reception of the classic Albuquerque radio station may resume as soon as Saturday.

BY TONY K. LAYSON
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A combination of lightning strikes and an unusually deep snowpack has silenced the classic music of 95.9 FM since last weekend, but volunteers hope to get it back on the airways Saturday.

Local reception of the station went dead April 4 from a lightning strike near the translator on Buck Ridge near Sierra Blanca Peak, said Mike Weber, president of the Friends of KHFM in Ruidoso.

Efforts to bring the station back on line this week were stopped in their tracks, literally, by the deep snowpack blocking the road to the translator station, said Weber, a volunteer instrumental in bringing the station to Ruidoso.

The road was finally cleared at 7 a.m. Thursday, he said. Weber and Bruce Kernodle, a volunteer with engineering experience, repaired KHFM's broken translator Thursday afternoon. Kernodle said they would either drive the translator to the Albuquerque station themselves or ship it by bus.

A working translator, which includes both receiver and a transmitter, may be in place as soon as Saturday, Kernodle said.

"It depends on what it needs. I'm sure the KHFM people will get right on it," he said.

Weber said dead air at the KHFM's location on the FM band has prompted many people to call with questions. "I personally have taken 15 or 16 phone calls," Weber said.

One woman even sent him a check for \$100 this week to help with repairs, he said.

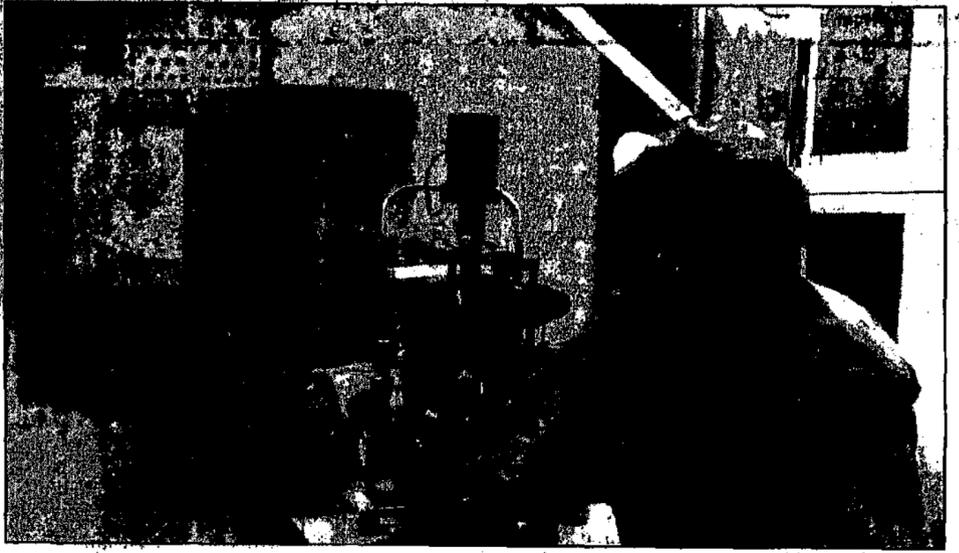
In 1994, Weber and others in the community mounted a campaign to bring the station to Ruidoso, which has no other classical stations. They started the Friends of KHFM and raised an initial \$11,000 in a year for start-up costs. The station went on air in October 1995.

The non-profit organization continues to receive donations for operational costs, he said.

Mike Langner, in charge of special projects for the Albuquerque station, said the Ruidoso translator, on top of Buck Ridge at an altitude of 10,500 feet, transmits the radio station's frequency to an area of roughly 500 square miles.

"It goes across the whole eastern section of the White Sands area," Langner said from his Albuquerque office. The outage has "affected listeners as far as Cloudcroft."

Eye on health



Linda Morris, an optometrist assistant with the Lincoln County Eye Clinic, eyes the eyes of Jo Wigley Wednesday as part of the Lion's Club eye screenings at the Ruidoso Convention Center. The mobile eye screening unit was parked in the convention center Wednesday and Thursday and the Ruidoso Lions expected to screen at least 50-75 people during the two-day free health event.

County may hire animal control officer

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
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Complaints about dogs and cats running loose in Lincoln County, coupled with Sheriff Tom Sullivan's request, have convinced county commissioners to take another look at paying for an animal control officer.

But they want a plan that will be less expensive than the \$96,000 they were spending for a deputy who was assigned to animal control under a previous sheriff, but spent most of his time answering other calls.

Sullivan, who took office in January, told commissioners Tuesday he is looking for advice on the most economical method of handling the job. County and state law specifically places the responsibility on the shoulders of the sheriff, he said.

The county has a leash law that requires all dogs to be restrained if they are off of their owner's property. Owners can be fined for violation, as

well as for the care of the animal while impounded.

He proposed loaning a vehicle and some equipment to the Lincoln County Humane Society, if their employees would respond to calls outside municipalities. But society shelter administrator Jim Riggins said with only three employees, the society hasn't enough manpower to handle the job. To hire additional staff for full coverage would be too costly, he said.

Since the Humane Society depends on donations, it would be unacceptable to have to explain to callers that a dog couldn't be picked up because staff is busy with other duties or doesn't have enough money, he said. The public would accept that type of explanation better from the sheriff's office, he added.

He proposed that the sheriff hire a person without deputy certification and let him handle just the part-time animal control officer (ACO) job, and he offered to help the sheriff to put together a budget for impounding.

"People have gotten used to no coverage," Riggins said. Even before the sheriff lost the ACO in a budget cut from the commission, the officer was not bringing in many animals, he said, because picking up dogs and cats was a low priority. After the officer left, dispatchers told the public deputies wouldn't pick up animals and referred their calls to commissioners or the Humane Society, Riggins said.

In 1995 the county ACO only brought in six dogs, Riggins said. The next year county

residents brought 46% more animals to the shelter than 1995, showing residents started taking care of the problem when the county didn't, Riggins said. The county pays the shelter \$14,287 a year to meet state requirements for humane impounding of animals and for rabies quarantine.

"I think you would see tremendous returns from that one person, if he was dedicated to finding the animals and picking them up," Riggins said.

Commissioner Wilton Howell said even if someone is hired specifically for impounding, he would expect deputies to round up loose dogs when they see them in places such as Corona, at the county's northern border.

"I'm not going to support funding a full-time control officer," Howell said. "Come back at budget time with some figures."

The commission may be able to pay to use Ruidoso's ACO in problem areas around the perimeter of the village, he added.

County commissioners calculate make-up of Glencoe Rural Events Center advisory board

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
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Advice about how to manage and improve the Lincoln County Rural Events Center in Glencoe will be coming mostly from county residents.

County Commissioners Tuesday agreed that the seven members of a new advisory board with voting powers should be county taxpayers, but those seven could appoint up to seven other non-voting members from outside or inside the county, making it a possible 14-member board.

The decision will allow the board to seek help from universities and those with backgrounds in staging large horse shows.

At the beginning of the discussion, Capitan resident Doris Cherry urged commissioners to require all members to be residents of the county since tax money is being spent on the center. But Museum of

the Horse Director Bruce Eldredge and rodeo/roping event promoter Jerry Tully said that would prevent state officials and other experts from serving on the board.

Commission Chairman Monroy Montes and Commissioner Wilton Howell favored allowing out-of-county members. Commissioners Rex Wilson and William Schwettmann leaned toward in-county only. But as the discussion proceeded, Howell suggested a mixture of the two and Dick Swenor, who works on the annual county Cowboy Symposium event at the center, proposed a seven-person voting board, including two at-large members, plus others with no vote.

Each commissioner will appoint one of the voting members, not necessarily from his district. They'll all agree on the other two at-large members.

Howell noted that as members of the committee, those advisers from other areas will not charge consulting fees. No one will be reimbursed for travel expenses or per-diem costs.

Schwettmann said people who travel

long distances to attend the meetings without reimbursements may have their own agendas in mind rather than the interests of the county.

But Howell, noting that he does not collect travel reimbursement when he attends meetings of the Association of Counties in Santa Fe, said there are many other people who don't expect something in return.

To create staggered terms, initially four of the voting members will be assigned four-year terms and three will have two-year terms. The non-voting members will serve one-year terms.

In other business related to the center, which is located about 12 miles east of Ruidoso on U.S. 70, commissioners attempted to end up with a lower bid on the construction of an outdoor arena by breaking the project into separate bidding lots for aspects such as sand, electrical and bleacher work.

Bids on the whole project came in \$116,000 more than the \$130,000 budgeted for the arena from federal grant money.

Capitan Schools seek help linking computers

Volunteers are needed for Capitan Net Day Saturday, when the three schools at Capitan will be wired together for cable and computer hook-ups. Call Librarian Becky

Borowski ahead of time or just show up at the school complex about 7:30 a.m. Experience with wiring would be helpful, but is not a necessity to help.

Trash: Who will pick it up?

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would change (with board members)," Jackson said.

The LCSWA, a consortium of the county and all its village governments, was formed in 1991 and began operation in 1992. Before then, Ruidoso ran its own garbage collection service.

The Ruidoso Council's proposals included:

- The LCSWA must allow an independent party to study a tier system of rates, in which communities would select the level of garbage collection services much like making a menu selection;
- The LCSWA must have a professional study made of the Ruidoso garbage transfer station and its compliance with the lease/purchase agreement signed when Ruidoso sold it to the LCSWA;
- The LCSWA must develop specific policies and procedures regarding the collection of yard waste, slash and other special pick-up needs.
- And the LCSWA must adopt a capital improvement and replacement plan to ensure its equipment stays in good shape.

"This board, if we went that way, would have taxing authority. It would have enforcement authority. It would not be the hodgepodge of ordinances and things that

"We just feel that without a unanimous decision it (changes) would never happen."

- Jerry Shaw, LCSWA board member and Ruidoso mayor

"These are things that we have been talking about for the year I've been on this board. And all we do is talk. The time has come forward that if you want Ruidoso to stay in the collection system, then we have got to make this board work, and quit talking about things and start doing some things."

- Robert Donaldson, LCSWA board member and Ruidoso councillor

"It would appear that one of the structural problems with the Authority is the lack of authority."

- Gary Jackson, LCSWA board member and Ruidoso village manager

"I feel like we are being held hostage."

- Monroy Montes, LCSWA board member and Lincoln County Commissioner chairman

"This system has to work in such a way that we find out what needs to be paid, then we have to charge it. And we have never done this before... I think it is absolutely necessary to do that, otherwise we're not going to succeed."

- Dr. Bernhard Reimann,

What they said: LCSWA

LCSWA board member from Capitan

"Personally, I think we jumped the rail and got ahead of ourselves."

- Joe Hayhurst, LCSWA board member and Ruidoso Downs mayor

"I don't see anyone can expect someone to haul off 300 bags of pine needles for \$9. And that has been expected in the past. It's one of the things that have strained this facility. It is one of the things that have strained this board. And probably cost more than anything else not being paid for... I really fail to see how it is the Solid Waste Authority's responsibility to clean somebody's yard up."

- Wilton Howell, former LCSWA board member and Lincoln County commissioner

"It's not a matter of cleanliness, guys. It's a matter of whether you are going to have a house or not if you don't get those pine needles up. Because you are going to be in greater danger this spring than you were last" from the threat of wildfire.

- Ginny Dingman, Ruidoso resident and wife of Dr. Ross Dingman, a LCSWA board member who could not attend the meeting because of a prior engagement in Albuquerque.

RUIDOSO VILLAGE COUNCIL COUNTDOWN • April 8, 1997						
Ruidoso Village Council 505-259-4343 Councillor Bill Chance was on vacation.						
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A "green light" for staff to pursue a contract with the state to expedite road construction along Mechem Drive. Council is to vote on the contract in early May.	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	6-0 yes
Use of \$2,000 in lodgers tax revenues to market a July concert by country music star Le Roy Parnell at the Ruidoso Civic Center.	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	5-0 yes
A proclamation that April is "Keep Ruidoso Beautiful" month.	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	5-0 yes
Special event funding from lodgers tax revenues for 1997-1998.	yes	abstain	yes	yes	yes	4-0 yes

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OUR OPINION

Success is granted

It's been said more than once, quite seriously, that the best way to measure the success of a civic enterprise in late-20th Century America is by the amount of government grant money it's able to raise. The idea even in the last decade became emblazoned in a notable booze commercial, "while you're up, get me a Grant(s)."

By that standard, the Ruidoso River Association already is a big winner; something to drink a toast to, perhaps.

Word this week that the organization had been awarded \$200,000 to help preserve the Rio Ruidoso established, without question, the 465-member group as a force to be recognized.

Not that it wasn't already. Since its formation in 1996, the association has worked without cease to focus public attention on the longtime degradation of the river as a water resource, and its critical importance as a flowing stream to the village's tourist ambience, not to mention the economy.

Among its membership today not only are property owners, many of them original builders in the valley and the Upper Canyon, but also people with a wealth of knowledge about water resources and how to use and preserve them.

Reports about Ruidoso's historical water problems and potential solutions, both published in this newspaper's "Community Update" edition on March 31, might give something of a blueprint—or at least a sketch map—for how that grant might be used.

As pointed out by Dick Wisner, president, the grant for openers is "generic" in its application. How it ultimately is used will depend on what wins approval in the detailed proposal the association must make to the State Environment Department by the end of this month.

Just preparing that proposal in the short time available will stand as a challenge to the association.

The grant also, of course, opens the gate to continued cooperation with the village of Ruidoso, which in the breach will be the public agency that will be most directly involved in the river's restoration and development (or not) as a critical part of the community's municipal water supply.

Meanwhile, we salute the Ruidoso River Association, which suddenly stands tall as a citizens' action group that actually got some action in achieving its objective.

Q&A

Why double-parking for some in Midtown?

Why are all those United Parcel Service, Federal Express and Postal Service trucks allowed to double-park in Midtown, when everybody else would get a ticket if they tried it? I saw one truck block two full handicapped spaces the other day.

Gary Casey,
Ruidoso

Ruidoso Police Chief Lanny Maddox said a long-standing village ordinance allows delivery trucks to double park, or even park in the center lane, because "there is no other place to load or

unload." Ordinance 12-6-8.4, titled Stopping, Standing or Parking in Freight Curb Loading Zones, allows for expeditious loading or unloading.

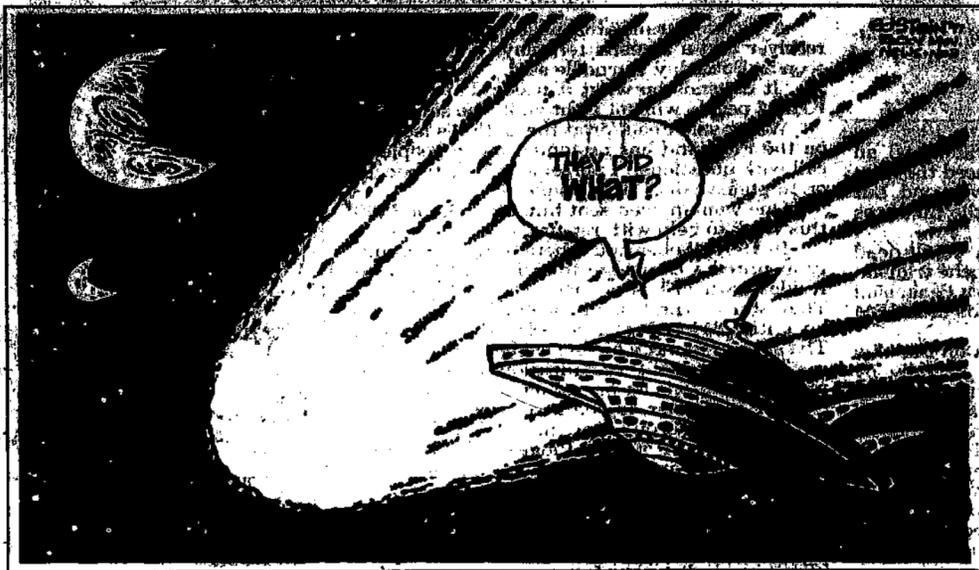
However, the ordinance states that trucks or vehicles loading or unloading "in no case should be longer than 30 minutes."

Queries for "Q & A" may be mailed to P. O. Box 128, Ruidoso, attention Editor; they must be signed, with a phone number for follow-up.

Calls also are welcome at 257-4001 during business hours, or at 257-1122, the hotline, 24 hours a day.

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THE SILVER LINING

The birthday of our brother John

John Whippo Storm, eldest of the Storm Brothers, was born April 15, 1907 in Denver, Colo. to Lynn Whippo Storm and the former Bertha Catherine Kennedy.



BY DAN STORM
COLUMNIST

At the age of not quite 2 years he and our mother set sail from Seattle in the deep of winter bound for Valdez, Alaska. Here in the house is a small Episcopal prayer book. On the first blank page are some childish attempts at writing, together with a notation in our mother's handwriting: "Written by John Whippo Storm on the steamship Yucatan, in mid-ocean, January 19, 1909."

Our father had gone up to Valdez a few months earlier where he was working as a government surveyor, prospector and mining geologist.

Mother and John arrived in Valdez during one of the coldest winters on record up to that time and many years since.

There is a photograph here in the house, taken by our father, of John and our mother next to a snow drift extending above the windows.

Why don't we have home mail delivery in Ruidoso?

To the editor:

We love Ruidoso...but!

We have lived far and wide in the United States and Alaska.

Of all the places we have lived we chose Ruidoso to be our last. We have been here three years, and we can't figure why most people have to drive to the post offices to get their mail.

I have never run into a place without home mail delivery. We pay the same for postage stamps and mailing packages, etc. So we ask our neighbors "What's the deal?" Why does everyone have to drive to the post office if they want their mail? Their response is, nearly every time, "God, I don't know."

That's why I am writing this. How come no mail delivery here in this near-perfect place to live?

Jack Watson
Ruidoso

'Welfare reform' merely a repeal

To the editor:
The guest article on so-called "welfare reform" (recently) sugar-coated the facts

A guardian brother

The following Oct. 27, 1909 I was born, and John became my guardian brother. I remember hearing John say "I am going to the store to get some candy for Danny." Later he returned smiling as the snowflakes were blown through the door as he came in. Later on when I was about 2 1/2 years old, John and I would walk down to Mr. Hunt's combination drug and candy store to buy taffy.

John would lead the way shouting "Mush" at the malamute sled dogs who would be lying in their harness in the middle of the street. As we approached they would get up on the snow piled up on the side of the street and look at us with friendly curiosity.

There in their harness, to my young eyes they looked larger than horses. At Mr. Hunt's store he bought three large striped bags full of taffy, strawberry pink, chocolate brown, and vanilla white, for a nickel. Munching on this candy we retraced our steps back over the snow-packed street, past the malamutes now dozing on their perch of piled snow by the street.

Back to 'The States'

With the family John came by boat (the only means of travel in those days) to "The States" as the Alaskan people called the "Lower 48," as we say nowadays.

YOUR OPINION

Actually the legislation repealed national welfare law as we have known it for 60 years. Under this law the federal government vacates the field, leaving it to the states to decide in 50 different ways what responsibility, if any, the public has for the welfare of poor families.

With this law, Congress appropriates billions to the States to use in any way they choose: for new equipment for the police; for new facilities and equipment for their legislatures; for filling pot-holes, etc., etc., etc. — except that if they choose to spend some or all of

the funds for poor families they cannot assist them for more than two years at a time nor more than five years in a lifetime.

With 8 million unemployed actively looking for work and an equal number too discouraged to continue seeking jobs, plus a larger number with part-time work who took it because they couldn't find full-time jobs, welfare repeal has added millions more job seekers without adding any new jobs to seek.

After visiting the grandparents in Denver and Los Angeles we went back to Alaska, this time to Juneau, where our father was superintendent of the Perseverance Gold Mine.

Later on in Ashland, Ore., John became active as a Boy Scout and graduated from Ashland High School.

About 1921 the family moved to Mexico where father worked for a silver smelter in Copala, Sinaloa.

Here John became fluent in Spanish.

A Devout Nature

Since early boyhood John was an acolyte in the Episcopal Church, and later studied for the Episcopal priesthood at Kenyon College in Gambier, Ohio.

At the University of Texas he studied architecture.

In World War II he served as a lieutenant in the Army Engineers.

On this beautiful April day, April 8, I look forward to the birthday of our brother John, and I feel the spirit of my guardian brother fondly close as he visits me from heaven.

Bill Hay
Ruidoso

LETTERS POLICY

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

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

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

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

The News reserves the right to reject any letter.

Catatonic, you might say

Some weeks ago, we noted in these columns that a young female cat had come to the attention of the newspaper, and the next step was to name the feline.

After considerable time and discussion, and quite open voting (this being a democracy), the momentous selection was made. The Ruidoso News thereupon became thoroughly controlled by "Copycat."

We didn't know at the time just how total that control would become. You see, Copycat is a very friendly, loving and warm-hearted cat, and quickly adjusted to something of a cat-paradise existence, no competition for affection, lots of ear-scratching and tumbling, rubbing, plenty of food, strange corners to explore. She was introduced to her designated veterinarian, Lynn Willard, last week and got stuck a few times, to her dismay.

She also got an appointment for a piece of strategic surgery designed to keep the neighborhood's feline population a bit more under control.

But...the timing was wrong, wrong, WRONG. The urges of Spring came before her surgical appointment, and all week it's been Copycat vs. the staff, she wants out, but she can't be let out.

The staff's motivation to keep her indoors is summed up with a notice posted on the back door: "Do not let the cat out, or you get to take the kittens."

Lest we forget, another federal income tax payment deadline is upon us; next Tuesday is the day.

In the spirit of that day, then, it's worth noting that the "average" taxpayer among 381 must work two hours and 40 minutes of each eight-hour work day just to pay federal, state and local taxes.

That cheerful news is from the Tax Foundation, which also notes that back in 1995, the tax bite took just 58 minutes to pay. (For those with jobs, that is).

Corina Montoya, who last week wrote about Ruidoso's CHINS (Children in Need of Services) program notes that CHINS office has a list of people who have provided approved services for children in the past, and accept inquiries about care for children. CHINS also would like to add to the provider list.

(And a typographical error slipped in; 200 area providers attended an all-day training recently, not 2200.)

An era of good feeling has descended upon this sometimes-competitive Internet service scene in Ruidoso.

Looking Glass Industries (Judith Timmons, et al), having added to service capability and relocated offices, and having considered at least one tentative offer to buy their Ruidoso ISP (Internet service provider) location, now would like to enter into cooperative agreements with others in Internet-related businesses—the Ruidoso Internet Group (RIG) that has acquired the "Ruidoso.net" domain name, and other organized and independent operators who design web sites for other people.

The RIG people plan to focus on developing web pages for local businesses as a way for the smallest can handle as benefits such a non-profit organization.

MOUNTAIN ASIDES



by Kari Green
RUIDOSO NEWS

LINCOLN COUNTY COMMISSION COUNTDOWN - April 8, 1997

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MOTION	Council	Chavez	Montoya	Schwettmann	Wilson	TALLY
To grant a variance to Nat. Palomares for the patch of the roof on his house in the settlement of Lincoln, as an appeal of a decision to deny a variance by the Lincoln Historic Preservation Board.	yes	yes		yes	yes	4-0 yes
To create a commission-appointed seven-member advisory board of local people for the county Rural Events Center in Glenora with up to seven additional non-voting members to be appointed by advisory board members.	yes	yes	absent due to family illness	yes	yes	4-0 yes
To advertise for bids to construct an outdoor arena at the Rural Events Center in Glenora by dividing portions of the job into separate bids, such as stand for the arena, electrical work and painting.		yes		yes	yes	4-0 yes

County commissioners overturn decision of Lincoln Historic Preservation Board

By **SHANNE STALLINGS**
STAFF WRITER

Members of the Lincoln Historic Preservation Board say Lincoln County commissioners failed the community again Tuesday by granting a variance to a resident who violated architectural regulations.

The vote was 4-0, with Commissioner L. Ray Nunley absent due to a family illness.

Some board members have complained that commissioners consistently have backed away from enforcing a previous ordinance, rewritten last year, and are reluctant to back them on the new version, too.

Francisco Gallegos, chairman of the preservation board, told commissioners

Tuesday that Palomarez was given six months to complete the facade under the provisions of the old ordinance, but it took him 1.5 years, placing the work under the new ordinance.

He has a mobile home and failed to meet the required roof eave while building a false facade to conform with the historic architectural designs of the 1880 era. He did not request a variance for the materials used, she said.

"I don't want to be in a position for six years of fighting a satellite dish (as happened in a previous case)," said Commissioner Chairman Monroy Montes. "I don't believe there was an effort by Mr. Palomarez to go around the ordinance or to make Lincoln a less desirable place."

The Palomarez home is in Zone B, the

five-mile area around the actual settlement of Lincoln, but still inside the historic district. He has always thought requirements should be less restrictive in that zone, Montes added.

Gallegos pointed out that they are, since mobile homes are banned entirely in Zone A, the settlement itself.

Although Gallegos contended the difference in roof pitch is "easy to tell," commissioners disagreed.

"For two years this commission stuck its neck out to try to enforce an ordinance we were told was unenforceable," Commissioner William Schwettmann said. "I hate to ever oppose the Lincoln board, but I think we should reverse this decision and allow Mr. Palomarez the variance. I don't think most people would notice the difference."

COMMISSION WRAP-UP

At its Tuesday meeting, the Lincoln County Commission also:

- postponed a decision on whether the county will maintain up to 35 miles of roads in the Cibola National Forest near Corona. Commissioners want their staff to indicate which roads might benefit the county and to have a commitment from the Forest Service that it will continue to supply cattle guards, culverts and a road-building material called calesche;

- approved the replat of three tracts, which included lot splits, presented by surveyor Tim Collins. The approval divides a 20-acre tract owned by Pete Terrazas into two, 10-acre tracts, north of Angus Hill; splits 6.4 acres near Fort Stanton Ranchettes south of Capitan, owned by Cynthia Williams, into two equal tracts; and breaks up a

35-acre tract owned by Lisa Annala into four lots east of Enchanted Forest subdivision on top of Angus Hill;

- awarded a contract for auctioneering services to Charles F. Dickerson of Fair Acres over six other bidders;

- awarded a contract for radio maintenance to A&G Southwest out of two bids received;

- awarded the bid for a 1997, 4x4 Club Cab pickup to Desert Sun Motors in Alamogordo at \$22,514;

- reviewed suggested changes in the county's subdivision regulations submitted by the county planning and zoning commission, and set another hearing to look at additional changes during the county commission's regular meeting May 13;

- and reappointed Jerry Wright, Buddy Guthrie and Marc Puelo to the county Planning and Zoning Commission.

DOWN'S PREVIEW

The Ruidoso Downs Council will meet April 11 for the following agenda items:

- Consider hiring a contractor to provide improvements to the water system.
- Consider hiring an attorney based on applicants' proposals.
- Consider purchasing new, non-police-style uniforms for dispatchers.
- Consider purchasing computer hardware for less than \$5,000 for the police department.
- Consider requesting bids for a project to pave Wood Lane in a cooperative project with the New Mexico

Department of Highways and Transportation.

- Consider approval of an ordinance banning sexual harassment.

- Consider a possible date for the Council's budget workshop.

- Hear a quarterly report from Joan Bailey, executive director of the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce, on the chamber's marketing uses of revenues from the village's lodgers tax.

- Hear a request from Carl Jackson for street repairs to DiPaolo Hill Road.

Murder hearing delayed

The preliminary hearing of Henry "Buddy" Adair, 50, on an open count of murder was postponed Tuesday at the request of the DeBaca County district attorney's office.

The hearing in Fort Sumner has been rescheduled for

May 14. Adair is charged with the Dec. 16 shooting death of his friend, Garvin Griffin, 52, at the Leigh Murphy Ranch just over the DeBaca County line. Adair lives in Ramon, a small ranching town in north-eastern Lincoln County.

RUIDOSO POLICE

Victim's car cut at car wash

A 17-year-old Ruidoso youth reportedly attacked and partially cut off the ear of a 17-year-old Alto youth last week at a car wash on Sudderth Drive, police reports said.

The attack started early in the evening Wednesday April 2, when the Ruidoso youth accused the Alto boy of making defamatory statements about him, police reports said.

The suspect reportedly grabbed the Alto youth in a headlock, then beat him on the face, head and stomach. The suspect reportedly threw the victim to the ground and kicked him in the head before running off. During the fray, a portion of the victim's ear was cut from his head.

The victim, who talked to police at the Lincoln County Medical Center, said he didn't see the suspect with any weapons.

The victim's mother said the top quarter of the victim's ear was later recovered from the car wash. She said the family is pursuing reconstructive surgery for her son.

The suspect, who turned himself in to police April 3, has been arrested and charged with aggravated assault, Born said. Because the suspect is a juvenile, he was taken to the juvenile facility at the Otero County Detention Center.

The suspect went before Lincoln County District Judge Karen L. Parsons Friday in Carrizozo for a detention hearing. Parsons' ruling was to keep the suspect in custody.

Pay phone thefts continue

Thieves have stolen the third Ruidoso pay telephone since December, police say.

Ruidoso Detective Wolf Born said a privately owned pay telephone was ripped from a second floor wall of the Upper Canyon Inn at 215 Main Road either late March '90 or early April 1. The owner reported the phone's worth at \$1,300.

Two other pay phones, valued at \$1,600 and \$2,500, were stolen from Ruidoso businesses on Dec. 6 and Jan. 16 or 17, respectively, police reports said. The first phone was taken from an establishment at 143 Upper Terrace, and the second from an Exxon gasoline station at 453 Sudderth Dr.

"They break into the coin boxes and then throw the rest away," Born said. He said police have not yet

recovered any of the discarded phones. No estimates are available on the amount of money in the phones.

Stolen statue recovered by gallery

A 20-year-old Ruidoso man is being sought in the theft of an 18-inch statue from the front of a local store, police records said.

An employee at the Camel House, at 714 Mechem Dr., said the man came in the store Thursday, April 3, trying to sell an elk rack. The employee declined the offer. After the man left, the employee noticed an alabaster statue missing from the front of the store. The statue of an Indian woman, has a turquoise stone inset and is valued at \$1,500, police reports said.

The employee called other art galleries about the possible theft. Two of those galleries reported seeing the suspect.

A worker at the Ruidoso Store told police the suspect also tried to sell him an elk rack the same day as the theft. The next day, at the Galleria West, the suspect sold the missing statue to a worker for \$100, police reports said. The gallery contacted people at the Camel House to report that they had recovered the statue.

Moving neighbors misuse credit card

A 77-year-old Ruidoso woman told police her neighbor took advantage of her willingness to help out, police said.

Ruidoso Detective Robert Layher said the woman loaned her neighbor the use of a credit card on March 18 to rent a moving van for a move to Houston. The neighbor, a 48-year-old former resident of Ruidoso, paid the woman back with a check for roughly \$700. The check, however, bounced, and the credit card charges actually added up to a total of about \$1,000, Layher said.

Home broken into, apparently lived in

An employee with a local power company on Monday, April 7, reported a break-in at a home on Carter's Lane, police reports said.

The house, whose owners weren't at home, had broken window panes in both the bathroom and living room. The bed had been slept in, cigarettes smoked and some wine had been drunk. Feces were found on the kitchen floor, police reports said. No one was at the home when police investigated.

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First-place Odyssey of the Mind team members from Capitan Middle School are (back row, left to right) Seth Adcock, Josh Osborn and Mike Trapp. In front are Sam Boese, Melanie Hail and Bo Sparks. The six will compete in June at the national competition in Maryland.

Odyssey begins for students

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

When they heard their team announced as first-place winner in the state Odyssey of the Mind competition division, six Capitan Middle School students whooped and hollered.

"You should have heard us," said Seth Adcock. The Capitan School District fielded teams from all three school levels: elementary, middle and high school.

Besides the first place win by the middle school team, one of the four elementary school teams took a second place and the high school team came in third in its division.

The competition draws teams from all over New Mexico. The top winners, including the Capitan Middle School team, will head June 4 to the University of Maryland in College Park, Md.

Middle school team members used a Roswell Incident theme. The members are Seth Adcock, Josh Osborn, Mike Trapp, Sam Boese, Melanie Hail and Bo Sparks. Matt and Liz Boese were their coaches.

To compete, the teams, composed of children tested as gifted, selected from among five problems to present.

These year, the problems dealt with:



Capitan High School won third place in Odyssey of the Mind competition in Albuquerque last weekend. Team members (standing, left to right) are coach Becky Borowski, Chris Hail, Ty Davis, Klay Jones and Philip Koreni. Seated are B.J. Montoya and Coye Robbins.

- creating vehicles propelled by different energy mechanisms that could break balloons within an eight-minute time period;

- creating a humorous presentation using an android designed, built and operated by the team;

- create a performance about archaeology including one scene from the past and one from the present, showing how team-made artifacts were used;

- design and build a structure that will hold weight, yet will weigh less than one ounce;
- and create a performance

with humor that includes a character with one or more out-of-proportion characteristics.

No more than \$100 could be spent.

Using a Star Trek theme, the high school team designed three cars propelled by a battery, a rat trap and a rubber band. Team members are Ty Davis, Klay Jones, Chris Hail, B.J. Montoya, Coye Robbins and Philip Koreni. Librarian Becky Borowski was their coach.

Second-place elementary school team members are: Austin Williams, Ashley Osborn,

Brittany Adcock, Brian Taylor, Aaron Kotila and Brett McInnes with Laura McInnes as coach.

Other elementary team members are: David Griego, Candle Turner, Kendall Jackson, Kaleo Wallace, Anna Hail, Javier Trost, with Kathy Soliday as coach; Josh Castaneda, George Boese, Katrina Johns, Colt Freemole, James Boese and Jayna Johns, with Mary Castaneda as coach; and Dalana West, Stacey Trapp, Kate Cherry, Keith Sultemeier, Brendon Osborn and Ryan Jackson, with Cindy Jackson as coach.

Workshop total loss after fire in Capitan

A workshop equipped with tools and other equipment burned to the ground about 3:30 p.m. Wednesday on Mt. Capitan Road.

"We found the workshop fully engulfed with flames when we arrived and a grass fire was in progress," said David Cummins, chief of Capitan's volunteer fire department. "Only one wall was standing. The structure was a total loss."

The fire on a tract owned by Chuck and Mittie Mespelt was put out in about 20 minutes with the help of eight Capitan volunteers and crews from the U.S. Forest Service, State Forestry and Fort Stan-

ton. But Capitan personnel stayed at the fire site until 7 p.m. to ensure embers wouldn't flare up again, Cummins said.

"We have no idea at this point how it started," Cummins said. Mespelt's home was within 50 feet of the flames.

"Luckily, the winds were coming from about the only directions that wouldn't involve the house," Cummins said.

Mespelt was watching television when his wife went outside to hang up her laundry and noticed flames coming from the workshop. The loss was valued at about \$20,000, Cummins said.

Library board meets Wednesday

The Capitan Library Board will meet at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday at the library next to village hall.

The top topic will be fundraising for the library, which is manned by volunteers.

Water issues top Capitan agenda

Water: how to store it, secure rights to it and deliver it, will be discussed at the Monday meeting of the Capitan Board of Trustees in village hall.

At 6:30 p.m., a hearing on priorities for the village's application for a 1998 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) will lead off the evening, and water appears to be at the top of the wish list.

Trustees also will take a look at a proposal from Don Brewer, owner of a local ranch and of the Smokey Bear Shell Station, for an exchange of easements with the village.

At 7 p.m., the trustees are scheduled to hire an engineer to design a water storage project for the village from a block

grant received this year. Trustees will discuss water conservation measures for the spring and summer, including designated times to water lawns.

Other items on the agenda include:

- an executive session closed to the public on water rights and real property;
- setting the time for a village clean-up week;
- an update on the current CDBG grant project;
- permission to advertise for a hearing on ordinances for a drug policy and for curb cuts;
- George Richardson to discuss an unspecified water issue;
- declaring the week of May 1, Municipal Clerk Week;
- and hearing from Richard Rumpf about the volunteer-operated public library that has opened next to village hall.



Members of the Capitan Elementary School Odyssey team coached by Kathy Soliday placed eighth in their division. Members are (back row, left to right) David Griego, Candle Turner and Kendall Jackson. In front are Kaleo Wallace, Anna Hail and Javier Trost.



Members of the Capitan Elementary Odyssey team coached by Mary Castaneda placed eighth in their division. In back row (left to right) are Josh Castaneda, George Boese and Katrina Johns. Seated are Colt Freemole, James Boese and Jayna Johns.



Members of the second-place Odyssey team from Capitan Elementary are (back row, left to right) Austin Williams, Ashley Osborn, Brittany Adcock. In front are Brian Taylor, Aaron Kotila and Brett McInnes. The team is coached by Laura McInnes.



Cindy Jackson coached the Capitan Elementary Odyssey team that took sixth place in its division. Team members are (back row, left to right) Dalana West, Stacey Trapp and Kate Cherry. In front are Keith Sultemeier, Brendon Osborn and Ryan Jackson.

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Spirit of Ruidoso to rise again

By Julie Baxter
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

With considerably more than at their last gathering, 40 or so Ruidoso business owners and managers sat down Wednesday night and got down to the business of how to build better business.

The group, which had opted for a Main Street Merchants moniker at its first meeting last Tuesday, decided to rekindle an old flame and change its name to Spirit of Ruidoso. But the decisions made went much farther than resurrecting the namesake of the business group that thrived in the 1980s; they also stepped toward resurrecting the popularity and spirit of Spirit.

The merchants came together in hopes of forming a united force to drive change in the Ruidoso business community. Concerns and issues that arose as keys to rejuvenating commerce in Midtown, and all of Ruidoso, included parking problems, extended business hours and aesthetics such as physical appearance and maintenance.

Parking, or rather the lack of it and the lack of signs pointing out what parking there is,

takes the top seat in Midtown merchants' minds.

Almost everybody has a concern about parking, said J. Roberts, store owner. Ann Bolton, who spearheaded the movement to get organized.

Village Councilor Robert Donaldson and Village Manager Gary Jackson agreed that parking is a problem in the Midtown area, and urged the group to come before the council as a unified, united group to spur change.

Ordinances are intended to serve a specific purpose, Jackson said, "and sometimes things change... A unified voice will lead to change."

The remaining parking concerns relating to signs, and aesthetic areas like trash service and street sweeping, can be handled by village staff without council action, Jackson continued, urging open communication between himself and the group to meet those demands.

When the praises of entertainment were sung as a way to attract business, many in attendance wondered if there is a city ordinance prohibiting street performances. Donaldson said he and Jackson could look into it.

"The idea is to create atmosphere in the downtown district. I think as long as (performers) are off the sidewalk, it's no problem at all,"

Donaldson said.

The idea of collectively staying open later on some nights of the week also was batted around. "One of the biggest complaints we hear is that there's not enough to do in Ruidoso," Donaldson said. "That extended business hours were mentioned for a 'nighttime alternative activity.' People are beginning to think to do something."

With all the ideas flowing, the Spirit group also took charge and organized. "Block heads" were appointed as contacts for people along the Sudderth strip, and a committee was formed to put together the association's first special event. The "block heads" will gather input from and share information with businesses within their geographical assignments, plus try to draw more businesses from all over the village into the group. Marilyn Peterson, owner of Galleria West, will lead up the effort for the group to spring into a May Day Open House.

The "block heads" and May Day committee will meet again Monday to forge ahead with plans for a renewed Spirit and further discuss the idea of extending business hours.

The name change from Main Street Merchants also helped put a primary message of the group at the forefront — this association isn't just for

Who you gonna call

Following are a list of contacts and their businesses for anyone interested in joining Spirit of Ruidoso:

- Cy Siano, Siano's, 257-9898.
- David Wilkes, Silver Mountain Jewelry, 257-1346.
- Larry and Sally Wimbrow, Candle Power, 257-9508.
- Karen Anderson, Wild Wild West, 257-2550.
- Chris Stephens, Vibes, 257-9400.
- Diane Crawford, Sisters Too, 257-3286.
- Richard Rumpf, ZW's Gallery, 257-6160.
- Kathy Garber, La Lorraine, 257-2954.
- Jean Sappington, Jean's Cheery Blossom Shoppe, 257-5198.
- Michael Cherny, International Dry Goods of New Mexico, 257-3034.

businesses that line the main drags of Sudderth or Mechem drives, this group is for anyone and everyone wanting to work for positive change.

"Whatever we do as a group isn't only going to help each one of us," said Larry Wimbrow, who owns Candle Power with wife Sally. "It's going to help the village as a whole."

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Support sought for Project Graduation

Parents of Ruidoso High School seniors are seeking the help of the business community to create a safe, drug-free graduation celebration.

Project Graduation is looking for donations of cash and merchandise to be given away at graduations during the week in part May 24. The party will run from 10 a.m. until 10 p.m. the next day and will have a "Jammin' Me Crazy" DJ music all night long.

If you would like to help by volunteering, you, time or donating prizes, contact Kathy Barnett at 258-4440 or Marilyn Ward at 257-9057 or 257-6006.

Rural Tourism will hold meeting in Lincoln Co.

The Rural Economic Development Through Tourism (REDTT) Project will hold its spring 1997 regional task force meeting in Lincoln County Saturday through Monday.

Tourism volunteers and professionals from Chavez, Cibola, DeBaca, Doña Ana,

Elky, Lea, Lincoln, Otero and Sandoval County will attend the meeting.

Events slated for the two-day meeting include a reception for Lincoln County artists and a Sunday trip to Arts Weekend in Capitan, followed by dinner at the Ellis Store Country Inn in Lincoln.

Monday activities include reports from all nine counties on tourism public relations activities and work on the state grant proposals.

For more information about the REDTT Project, contact Karen Watson at 648-5994.

Crop growers workshops to be held this month

New Mexico State University is sponsoring two April workshops for crop growers.

Pistachio growers and apple growers will meet April 18 at the Otero County Fairgrounds in Alamogordo for the day-long learning sessions. The main thrust of the workshops is year-round orchard management.

For more information, contact Esteban Herrera at (505)648-2691.

Interest rates this week

The following interest rates on certificates of deposit and new car loans were reported April 10 from local banks.

CD Rates (minimum \$500 bal)	New car loan rates
Pioneer Savings Bank	Pioneer Savings Bank
• 3 months 4.45%	• 48 months 8.25%
• 6 months 5.20%	• 60 months 8.25%
• 12 months 5.40%	

Meeting a need for muscle-kneading

White Mountain School of Applied Healing set to graduate first class, ready to take in new students for soothing skills lessons.

By Julie Baxter
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

When it comes to massage, a touch can be magic, and a new school in Ruidoso has opened to teach all the tricks of the trade.

White Mountain School of Applied Healing will graduate its first class of prospective massage therapists this May and will start a new class for a new group of students in June. Dr. Beatrice Barnett, Dr. Leonard "Ted" Barnett and Dr. Pablo Falcon give students 650 hours of schooling on the physical, mental and operational aspects of becoming a massage therapist. After students complete the course they are eligible to take both the national and state board exams to become fully accredited.

But Beatrice Barnett, also known as Dr. B, said the school about much more than anatomy, physiology and massage.

"We concentrate on the body-mind-spirit connection," she said. "I believe that everybody has a different way of massaging. We go into each individual and see where their talent lies. You've got to work

from within out."

The lessons at White Mountain run the gamut. Students are expected to know all the bones and muscles in the human body, as well as other important aspects of human anatomy. But they also are taught the ancient Asian rhythmic movements of Tai Chi by Falcon, for inner harmony. Other subject matter includes office politics and management, and the various massage techniques.

The techniques taught are even more abundant than the lessons. Classes include Swedish Massage, deep tissue massage, trigger point massage, acupressure, shiatsu, foot shiatsu, ear massage, reflexology, sports massage, lymph drainage, infant massage, massage in nursing, massage during pregnancy, therapeutic exercises, nutrition, herbology and essential oils.

That abundance of techniques allows students to test a variety of methods and find out what they are most comfortable with.

"I want them to get it into their hearts. Their hands will become like eyes. They learn to see and feel with their eyes,"

Dr. B said. "There are so many different aspects... this is just the beginning for them. When they get a solid base, they can connect and get anywhere they want to go."

Along with that whole-person knowledge, whole-person approach, the staff at White Mountain also strives for a family feeling. "It's like a big family," said Dr. B. "I'm really proud of the bonding (she's seen among students in the school's first class.)"

The friendly, comfortable approach also is extended to the community. Dr. B and Falcon have opened up their classroom space to other classes and groups to provide affordable meeting space for everyone.

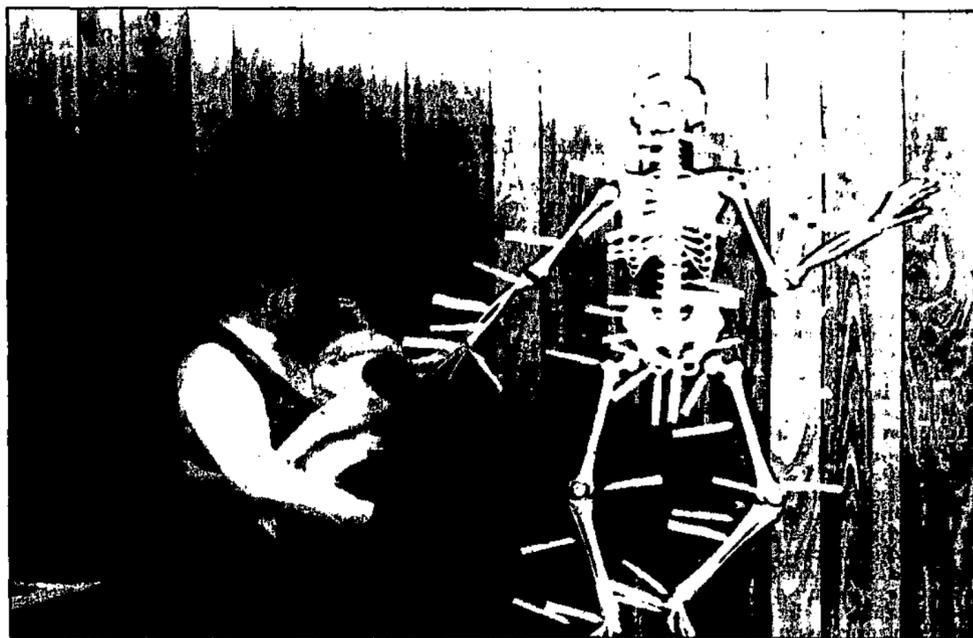
The school charges only a percentage of what admission is charged, or if it is a support group, may charge no fee at all.

"We try to give something back to the community in a positive way," Dr. B said. "We try to make it so they can fulfill their own dreams."

White Mountain School of Applied Healing also may extend a helping hand to those whose bodies may need a massage, but whose pocketbooks won't allow it. Part of the course requirements for stu-

"We try to give something back to the community in a positive way. We try to make it so they can fulfill their own dreams."

Dr. Beatrice Barnett, chiropractor and naturopath



Dr. Beatrice Barnett of the White Mountain School of Applied Healing shares a moment at the school with Fluffy, a St. Bernard pup she and Rev. Pablo Falcon are training for search and rescue operations. The skeleton on the wall is one of the many teaching aids used at the school. Students are required to label all the bones in the human body to demonstrate their knowledge of anatomy. The student who completed this identification did a stand-up job and earned an A+.

dents is 160 hours of actual massage time. Instead of having students put their hands on friends or family, Dr. B hopes to offer the student services to local care facility residents. She stressed that the quality of the students' massages isn't any less than the best. "I won't let them loose on anybody until I know they can do it," she said.

"I would have a massage from any one of them (her students)."

That's no small compliment coming from a doctor with 20 years of experience in massage therapy, chiropractic and naturopathic medicine.

All ages and all walks of life are welcome at the school; in fact, Dr. B said a number of

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Ruidoso businesspeople share food and fun with State Rep. Dub Williams at the ACI Burgers & Business luncheon Wednesday afternoon.

Burgers & Business luncheon gives some food for thought

The Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce, the Association of Commerce & Industry of New Mexico hosted a luncheon Wednesday recapping the 1997 state legislative session's impact on business.

BY JULIE BAXTER
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Ruidoso may be more than 200 miles from Santa Fe, but a Wednesday luncheon brought to town a review of the 1997 legislative session and its impact on the business community.

The Association of Commerce & Industry of New Mexico hosted a post-legislative session luncheon Wednesday at the Enchantment Inn to recap the good, bad and the ugly business-related bills that hit the Roundhouse floor this year.

ACI Vice President J.D. Bullington walked the audience through the 1997 session and highlighted the business-friendly bills that passed, those that didn't and other areas that ACI plans to keep a watchful eye on.

"Everyone on both sides of the aisle is characterizing the session as good for business," Bullington said.

Legislation that contributed to that winning outlook includes the in-plant training bill with \$6 million in state funding, the extension of the manufacturer's investment tax credit for another two years, and funding for the state tourism department. Other, lower profile victories for New Mexico small businesses included a law requiring state government and agencies to pay their bills within 30 days instead of 60 days, and a 60-day time period for acquiring non-taxable transaction certificates for tax exempt purchases. Under current law,

certificates must be acquired between the time an audit-notification letter is sent and when the auditor arrives.

Bullington also gave a plug for New Mexico's soon-to-be formed School-to-Work coalition. New Mexico is one of 10 states which will receive federal grants to start the education-business partnership. The state will receive \$13.2 million over the next four years and will be divided into 17 regions for implementing the program aimed at linking businesses and schools.

Legislation that didn't pass, which Bullington said was to the relief of ACI, included the "Parental Leave Act" and the "Whistleblower bill." He explained that the leave act called for employers to give every employee eight hours of paid leave for each child they have to attend non-athletic school functions. "We thought that was overburdensome," he added.

The "Whistleblower bill" would have encouraged employees to go to the news media to report suspected or alleged violations. "That's a bit much," Bullington said.

One thing Bullington said ACI will be monitoring in the future is legislation dealing with workman's compensation. He pointed out that New Mexico is a model state because of its law mandating that employees can't sue employers for on-the-job injuries. In exchange for lifetime medical benefits. "The Supreme Court recently put a crack in it," he said. So now ACI plans to keep an eye out for bills that will renege the law's foundation.

The lunchtime gathering closed with words from State Rep. Dub Williams. After speaking briefly about this session's controversial gaming

bill, Williams summed up his feelings about the future of Ruidoso. "If you asked me today about the future of Ruidoso, New Mexico, I'd say, 'Folks, we have just started.'"

ACI praised as business aid

The "Burgers and Business" affair was co-hosted by the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce and Chamber Executive Director Joan Bailey. She welcomed the 25 or so in attendance and extended a big "thank you" to Bullington and Williams for their devotion to the Ruidoso area and its needs.

"For those kinds of things you can't thank too many people, too many times for that kind of dedication," Bailey said.

Bailey also had praise for ACI and its efforts to fight for state business interests in Santa Fe, calling the organization the "most viable organization a business can belong to in the state of New Mexico." She also pointed out that communities in the northern part of the state often see their goals realized because they are highly organized and active in groups such as ACI. Part of the luncheon's purpose, she continued, was to spread the word about ACI and its good work and get more people involved to shape the future.

Tom Dattin, the local representative on the ACI board, took a turn at the mic, too. He touted the organization and its active involvement in state politics, calling it a grassroots effort to improve New Mexico's economic climate. "I encourage all of you to join," he said. "It's an opportunity for us to have a voice."

EMS Conference in Ruidoso this weekend

Emergency help won't be hard to find this weekend as nearly 500 Emergency Medical Service personnel converge on Ruidoso for the EMS Region II conference.

The event at the Ruidoso Civic Events Center will feature training workshops, vendor booths and national speakers, along with some fun and games. It also will allow Emergency Medical Technicians and paramedics from 12 Southeastern New Mexico and West

Texas counties to meet each other and get to know their fellow fighters in the battle of health and safety.

Jim Stover, director of Ruidoso EMS, said it's also nice to have the event in town so volunteer EMTs can attend the training workshop without losing time at their day jobs.

Highlights of the conference, which will run all weekend, include Friday's golf tournament at The Links at Sierra Blanca, a Friday registration

reception at the Museum of the Horse and a Saturday night awards ceremony at the Flying J Ranch.

Brian Hecht, executive director for EMS Region III, said the conference is shaping up to be terrific and thanked the Ruidoso EMS and the village as a whole for all their hard work. "This has just been unbelievable what Jim (Stover) and his staff and the local people around Ruidoso have done for us," Hecht said.

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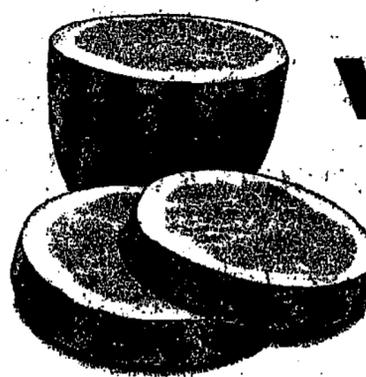


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It's redemption on the road for the Warriors — maybe

Ruidoso track coach hopes the Warriors will find redemption in Las Cruces this Saturday at the Onate Invitational.

BY LAURA CLYMER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS WRITER

It's back to Las Cruces for the Ruidoso track team where the Warriors intend to redeem themselves for last Saturday's performance. "I wasn't very happy with the way we came out in most of the events," Ruidoso coach Rodney Maskew said after the Warriors' showing at the Las Cruces Invitational. Both Warriors teams finished in the middle of the 14-team invitational.

By Tuesday, Maskew's disposition improved

with the Warriors hard work in Monday's practice. "I really hope coming off spring break had something to do with it," Maskew said.

Ruidoso usually competes during spring break, but not this year. As a result, the Warriors hadn't run in two weeks.

The Warriors spent the week in practice getting back in the competitive groove before returning to Ruidoso.

Ruidoso originally was scheduled to run in the Roosevelt Goddard Invitational April 5, but Maskew opted for the Las Cruces event when Goddard changed the date of its invitational. That means Ruidoso will head west again

"All of our district schools will be there, which is one of the primary reasons we're going down there."

Rodney Maskew, Ruidoso track coach

Bright spots from Las Cruces

Several Warriors performed well April 5, notably senior Caleb Hull who won the shot put with a personal-best 48 feet, 9.5 inches throw.

Hull and teammate B.J. Williams both recorded personal bests in the throwing events: shot put and discus. Hull's 132-foot, 1-inch effort in the discus earned him fourth place in that event.

On the girls side, Tonya Henkenen claimed fourth place with a shot put of 30 feet, 6.5 inches.

A pair of Ruidoso hurdlers ran well also. Junior Mandi Bewallen was second best in the girls 100-meter hurdles, while senior Guadalupe Garcia took third in the boys 110-meter hurdles.

Three of four Ruidoso girls relays placed in the Onate meet. The Warriors' best finish was their 800-meter relay of Lewallen, Priscilla Rojas, Lisa Lopez and Jessica Daniels.

► RUIDOSO RESULTS, 2B

Ruidoso seeks 'up' elevator

The Warrior baseball team, in the basement, hopes to find a ride to the top of the district standings.

BY LAURA CLYMER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS WRITER

After dropping a pair of district doubleheaders, the Ruidoso baseball team finds itself in hole. But it's not six feet deep — not yet.

"We're making little, bity mistakes that are hurting us right now," Warrior coach Rodney Webb said after his team lost a pair of District 3AAA games to Silver Tuesday. The Colts are defending district champs, and ranked No. 5 in the state polls.

Ruidoso's second-year program is 3-10 overall and 0-4 in 3AAA play.

The Warriors will try to break their district goose egg in Gadsden Saturday when they face Santa Teresa.

The Desert Warriors are a "notch below" the likes of Cobre and Silver, who are two of the best in AAA, Webb said. Santa Teresa had the Colts down 6-4 in the sixth inning before losing to Silver.

"When we go down there, they're going to think that we're not very good," said the Warrior coach. "It's going to be a good opportunity for us to win our first two district games."

Webb believes his Warriors are capable of competing with anyone in the district. Now it's just a matter of getting them over the proverbial hump.

"I have to convince them that it's not enough to play with them (the Silvers and the Cobres)," Webb said.

Senior outfielder/pitcher Ricky Pacini has been a one-man wrecking crew for the Warriors of late. Pacini's hot bat has produced eight hits in 15 at-bats against some of the best AAA pitching in the state. The senior Warrior has three doubles, two triples, seven RBI and six runs scored to go with his nifty .533 average over the last two games.

Ruidoso should be at full strength when it travels to Gadsden. Second baseman Brad Davidson hasn't let a broken nose and cheekbone sideline him. Davidson took a beating in the first inning of the Warriors' game in Cobre last Saturday. He was spiked by a runner sliding into second, and then caught a ball with his face on the same play. By Tuesday, the plucky Davidson was back in the Ruidoso lineup for the Silver doubleheader.

Senior outfielder and lead-off hitter Billy Rogers is back as well. Rogers missed the Cobre doubleheader with a pulled hamstring muscle. He recovered and ready to play Wednesday.

DRUMBEATS: The Ruidoso junior varsity team split a doubleheader with Tularosa Monday taking the first game 22-12 before losing the nightcap 6-6.

Teamwork makes a dream work



With help from Texas-New Mexico Power employees, workers from Highland Construction raise the new scoreboard at the Ruidoso baseball field, located at the White Mountain Recreation Complex. The Warriors put the new tally sign to rest the next day when they hosted Silver for a District 3AAA doubleheader.

Laura Clymer/Ruidoso News

Tigers race against the qualifying watch

Capitan's girls and boys track teams will attempt to qualify for the state meet at Hagerman's Roadrunner Invitational.

BY LAURA CLYMER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS WRITER

With just one meet under their belts, the Capitan Tigers head to Hagerman for the state-qualifying Roadrunner Meet Saturday.

The Tiger boys and girls join Hagerman, Eunice, Tatum, Loving, Dexter, Fort Sumner and Cloudcroft for the 9 a.m. get-together.

Considering Capitan boys coach Ed Davis has yet to see his entire team in practice, the Tiger mentor wasn't disappointed with Capitan's second-place finish at its own invitational April 5.

"We think they are all running well. We were very pleased with Saturday's results overall," Davis said.

"We've still got a lot of tracksters who are rodeoing."

Davis and girls coach Bryan Massé opted to give their tracksters a break during spring break. The Tigers didn't compete in either of the first two meets of the season.

"They needed a break because they went right from basketball to track," Davis said of the tracksters. Davis said his boys will focus on getting in better shape and emerging from Saturday's meet healthy.

"Let's see where we are and see what we need to work on to get ready for Tatum next Friday (April 18)," Davis said.

The Tiger relays are set for Saturday. Running in the 400-meter, 800-meter and 1600-meter relays are Sean McEuen, James Tacey, James

Robinson and Lance Jones. Raymond Harris, who is recovering still from a tonsillectomy, will help out in the sprints and high jump as soon as he's 100%.

Davis has seven Tigers throwing the disc, shot and javelin. "We're trying to develop some strength in the field events," Davis said. "But we're young. We've got two seniors."

Joining Davis' two seniors are 30 other tracksters, which has been a pleasant surprise to Davis.

Saturday's invitational begins at 9 a.m. with the field events.

Girls chase qualifying marks

Bryan Massé's girls, fresh off a second-place showing Saturday, hope to meet the qualifying standards for the 1600-meter and medley relays in Hagerman.

"We'll load those two (relays), and try to qualify them. Of course, we'd like to see some of our individuals qualify to take the pressure off them, too," Massé said.

The Tigers' 1600-meter relay could be renamed the "Autrey" relay if it weren't for anchor leg Trisha Seidel. Senior Joni Autrey and her twin younger sisters, Erin and K'rin Autrey, make up the first three legs of the mile relay for Capitan. That sisterly combination won the 1600-meter relay in Saturday's Capitan Invitational.

Joni and Erin team up with Monica Johnson and Andra Fish for a formidable Tiger entry in the medley relay.

The Hagerman meet will feature some tougher competition than last week, Massé said.

Warrior girls stake their claim

The Ruidoso girls golf team made a bold statement Thursday with its play in the "Great Eight" Invitational at The Links of Sierra Blanca.

Despite gusting winds, the Warriors fired a 376 as a team en route to capturing the invitational, which featured the top Class AAA girls teams in the state. The Warriors' total bettered efforts from West Las Vegas, Socorro, Albuquerque Academy, St. Pius, Livingston and Artesia.

Ruidoso staked its claim as an early favorite in the race for state championship laurels with the victory.

"We're pretty pleased. The weather was tough, but our girls played well," Ruidoso coach Lee Carter said.

Heather Stephens paced the Warriors with a 91. Leigh Ann Christensen was close behind with a 92. Leale Gerth shot a 95, followed by Devon Lowe's 96.

The Warriors proved they have the mettle of champions

by withstanding the annoying winds and cool temperatures.

"I was pleased because we didn't succumb to the weather conditions," she continued to play well no matter what," Carter said.

Ruidoso will have the opportunity to show Thursday's performance was no fluke when it travels to Albuquerque for the St. Pius Invitational Tuesday. There, the Warriors will face top teams from the north, including some Class AAAA schools.

The St. Pius meet will be played at Paradise Hills Golf Course, home to this year's state championships.

"We just can't get satisfied with this. We have to continue to get better, but the girls are excited," Carter said.

School team spots

The Warrior girls softball team split the doubleheader with Santa Teresa in Gadsden Tuesday.

SPORTS SHORTS

Ruidoso squandered a 13-11 lead in the seventh inning to the Desert Warriors, losing 14-13 in the varsity contest.

"We just had a couple of mental errors that cost us the game. They had a couple of good hits when they needed them," explained Ruidoso assistant coach Billy Page.

The Warriors rebounded with a 15-14 victory in the nightcap, but that counted as a junior varsity win, not a varsity victory.

Ruidoso, 2-8 overall and 0-1 in districts, hosts Silver City at 1 p.m. Saturday at Eagle Creek Sports Complex.

Nettles triumph in Artesia

The Warrior girls stayed perfect in dual meets with a 7-2 win over Artesia Tuesday, but the Redwood boys fell 9-0 to the Bulldogs.



Leigh Ann Christensen did her part by firing a nifty 92, second best for the Warriors at the "Great Eight" Invitational Thursday at The Links.

Caught in the act



Laura Clymer/Ruidoso News

Warrior baseball player Scott Sebastian was the victim of a Silver High School pitcher's pickoff move Tuesday. Sebastian was tagged out on the play. The visiting Colts swept a pair of district games from the Warriors, 17-5 and 10-8. Ruidoso travels to Gadsden for another district doubleheader with Santa Teresa Saturday.

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GAME TIME

Friday, April 11
Warrior boys and girls. Santa Teresa vs. Ruidoso at 7:00 p.m.
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Monday, April 14

Ruidoso girls Silver 1 p.m. Eagle Creek Sports Center
Track & Field
Ruidoso at Las Cruces (Mesa Invitational) 9 a.m.
Capitan at Roadrunner (Mesa TBA) High School

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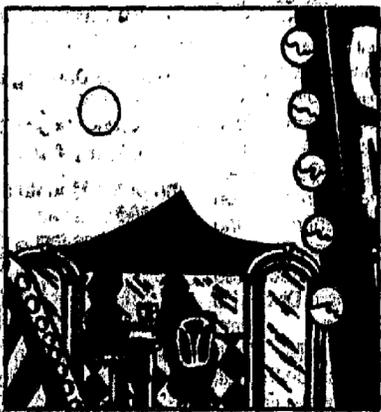
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What's happening?

music

El Paso Pro Musica Chamber Players
7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 12 and 2 p.m. Sunday, April 13 at the Fox Fine Arts Center Recital Hall, El Paso. Maestro Federico Cortese returns from Rome to lead some of El Paso's finest musicians in a spectacular season finale. For ticket information call 915-893-8400.

Orpheus Chamber Orchestra
8 p.m. Saturday, April 12 at Popejoy Hall, Center for the Arts, UNM, Albuquerque. The chamber orchestra without a conductor, Orpheus creates a richness of sound and joyous spirit. Tickets are \$27.50, \$25 and \$20 and may be purchased through ProTix by calling 1-800-905-3315.

La Boheme
7:30 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, April 16-17 at Popejoy Hall, Center for the Arts, UNM, Albuquerque. Puccini's best-loved opera about bohemians Rodolfo and Mimì who meet and fall in love even as she is dying of consumption. Tickets are \$45, \$40 and \$35 and may be purchased through ProTix by calling 1-800-905-3315.

Moscow Balalalkas, Ruidoso Community Concert Series
7:30 p.m. Friday, April 18 at the First Christian Church, Hull and Gavilan Canyon roads, Ruidoso. A return U.S. tour with a new program of authentic Soviet classics on traditional Russian folk instruments. For more information call 258-9122.

Cree Meadows Country Club
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. The club is located at 301 Country Club Drive, Ruidoso, 257-2733.

Elkhorn Pub
7 p.m. Friday and Saturday live music by various local artists. 7 p.m. Wednesday jam sessions. The new pub is located at 2820 Sudderth in Pine Tree Square, Ruidoso, 257-4361.

Galloping Tortoises
5:30 p.m. Sundays, Randy Jones and friends play rock 'n roll, country and blues. The coffee house is located at 682 Sudderth, Ruidoso, 257-2511.

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

In-Espresso-Bite Coffee House
8 p.m. Friday, April 11 blues jam. 8 p.m. Saturday, April 12 Mark Remington plays a mix of country, blues, 60's and 70's. The coffee house has moved 1/2 block east of the old place.

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.

Gee Ken Lounge: 6-10 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday until April 27. Linda Flores performs in the lobby. **Apache Tea:** 6-10 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, until April 12 Tomás Vigil.

Incredible Saloon
9 p.m. Wednesday nights, Randy Jones. The bar is located on N. Hwy. 48, Alto, 338-4312.

Marie Laveaux Nightclub
Live music Friday and Saturday nights. The nightclub is located at 1214 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso, 258-3784.

Mescalero Nightclub
8 p.m.-close Friday and Saturday,

April 11-12 dance music with DJ. 9 p.m. Saturday, April 12, Kooka Comedy Showcase at Cafe Mescalero. Features Pete Christensen, Gordon Meehl and Daniel Folly. The nightclub is located 1 mile north of the Inn of the Mountain Gods, next to Cafe Mescalero, 257-6895.

Screaming Eagle Lounge
8 p.m.-close Thursday through Saturday. Karaoke plays a variety of music from the 1930's forward. Thursday night is *White Night*—lower drink price all night. The lounge is located in the Enchiridion Inn, Hwy. 70 W., Ruidoso, 378-4051.

The Texas House
6-10 p.m. Wednesdays, Alan Fremont plays country western music. Various artists perform 7-11 p.m. every Friday and Saturday. Open 24 hours on weekends. The restaurant is located at 2811 Sudderth, Ruidoso, 257-3608.

Win, Place & Show
Live country music seven nights a week, 8:30 p.m. -1:30 a.m. The bar is located at 2516 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, 257-8882.

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

etc

"Is it feasible to use today's technology to search for and identify proof of extraterrestrial presence?"

7 p.m. Saturday, April 12 at the International UFO Museum, 114 N. Main St., Roswell. Dr. Peashoot Mehta examines the issues in this month's presentation.

Thoughts About Raising Adolescents
6-8 p.m. Tuesday, April 15 at the Counseling Center, 1707 Sudderth, Ruidoso. "Substance abuse issues," the third in a series of six free workshops presented by Sergio Castro, a case manager, and M.L. Winter, a psychotherapist. Any parent interested in listening and learning about themselves as a parent and about their adolescent is welcome to attend. For more information call Sergio Castro at 257-5038.

Business After Hours
Little Creek RV Park
5:30-7 p.m. Wednesday, April 16 at the RV park near the junction of Hwy. 220 and Airport Road.

Dr. Mel White at ENMU-Portales
7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 17 in the Becky Sharp Auditorium (COB 14), ENMU-Portales. Dr. White is the author of "Stranger in the Gate: to be gay and Christian in America." For more information contact Dr. Michael Conaghe at 505-382-2502.

Relax I Class
10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday, April 20 at the White Mountain School of Applied Healing, 1204 Mechem, #15, Ruidoso. To reserve a place call 258-3046.

Message Therapy
Starts in June at the White Mountain School of Applied Healing, 1204 Mechem, #15, Ruidoso. This is a 12-month, 650-class-hour course taught by N.M. registered instructor. Registration deadline is May 1. For more information call Dr. Barnett at 258-3046.

Call for Native American Dancers
For Southern Eagle Contest Pow-wow at Mescalero Friday through Sunday, May 2-4. More than \$20,000 in cash prizes will be awarded. Booth space can be rented for \$50. For more information call 505-671-4494.

Food Bank Donations Needed
The Lincoln County Food Bank is in need of donations, especially peanut butter. Please drop donations off at St. Elizabeth Catholic Church in Ruidoso. Volunteers are also needed. Please call Bob Whitley at 257-8837.

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

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

clubs/meetings

Lincoln County Adult Singles Group
Friday-Sunday, April 11-13 10 to Caribee Tavern. Those with RVs contact Daniel at 354-2625 for information on an RV park. Those who want to stay in a motel contact Vivian at 338-1076 for motel information. 8:30 p.m. Thursday, April 17 no-host dinner at Texas House Restaurant. Kathy Travis from ENMU will speak on genealogy. 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 18 Dr. John Gray video series, "Men are from Mars, Women are from Venus" at Harold's house. BYOB and a drink to share. R.S.V.P. to Harold at 338-8105.

Southeastern New Mexico Economic Development District
10 a.m. Friday, April 11 at Campus Union Building Banquet Room, ENMU-Roswell. This is the board of directors quarterly meeting with special guest speakers Eric Mills of the Capitol Observer and Peter Rahn, secretary of N.M. Highway and Transportation Department. A buffet luncheon follows the meeting.

Alpine Village Sanitation District
9 p.m. Saturday, April 12 at ENMU-Ruidoso offices. For more information call 257-5783.

REDTT Spring 1997 Regional Task Force Meeting
Sunday and Monday, April 13-14 at various locations in Lincoln County. April 13: reception for Lincoln County artists in Capitan followed by dinner at the Ellis Store Country Inn in Lincoln. April 14: activities include reports on tourism activities and a public relations workshop. For more information about the rural task force or about the Rural Economic Development Through Tourism (REDTT) Project contact Karen Watson at 505-648-5984.

Planning and Zoning Commission
2 p.m. Tuesday, April 15 at the Ruidoso Village Hall.

Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority
2 p.m. Tuesday, April 15 at the Ruidoso Civic Events Center.

Ruidoso Parks & Recreation Committee
8:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 16 at the Ruidoso Village Hall.

library

Earn a Ticket to the Circus
Children between the ages of 2 and 11 are invited to read as many books as possible before April 26 to earn a ticket to the Carson and Barnes Circus. Reading records are available at the Ruidoso Public Library. Pick up your ticket on April 28 at the library. For more information call 257-4336.

Ruidoso Public Library Storytime
2-3 p.m. on Wednesday afternoons. 10-11 a.m. Thursdays, puppet shows, songs, dance, nursery rhymes, story-

telling, arts and crafts, creative drama. For 3- to 6-year-olds, no sign-ups and no fee.

movies

Sierra Cinema
"Anacarda," "The Saint," "Liar Liar." Call theater for show times and ratings. The cinema is located at 721 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso, 257-9444.

theater

Forever Field
7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, April 11-12 at the Floriger Center for Performing Arts, Alamogordo, 505-347-2202. The Alamogordo Music Theatre presents a musical production that captures the memories of the 1950s. The first-act cast decorates with a blend of memory and wit as they tell the story of their fictional group, "Forever Field." Tickets are \$5 and are available by calling the Floriger Center.

Men of the Soldier Women
7:30 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, April 16-17 at Popejoy Hall, Center for the Arts, UNM, Albuquerque. An unusual musical drama of friendship and love that portrays how the relationship between two imprisoned men gradually evolves from hostility and distrust to mutual respect and understanding. Tickets are \$35, \$32 and \$27.50 and may be purchased through ProTix by calling 1-800-905-3315.

museums/galleries

Lincoln County Artists' Weekend
Friday through Sunday, April 11-13 at the Lincoln County Mercantile and Trading Post, 320 S. Lincoln Avenue, Capitan. Friday: 6:30 p.m. public discussion of the Lincoln County Arts Council, the state's Art in Public Places program and the relationship among art, culture and economic development. Saturday: 10 a.m.-5 p.m. public exhibit and sale of artists' work; 7-9 p.m. reception for artists and the general public. Sunday: 2-3:30 p.m. reception for Lincoln County artists hosted by the Rural Economic Development Through Tourism. For more information call Virginia Watson-Jones at 505-354-2318.

Artist's Reception/Memorial Bill Debo
4-8 p.m. Friday, April 18 in the lobby of Golden Library, ENMU College of Fine Arts, ENMU-Portales. The exhibit includes his paintings as well as art-facts, letters, jewelry, a knife and wood carvings from Alaska. More information is available by contacting the College Fine Arts at 505-582-2873.

Benson Fine Art
Jira Plaza, 700 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso, 257-2813 - The gallery is featuring the work of Ruidoso artist Louise Barnat as well as new work by contemporary Southwest artists Wm. Warder, David Ballew, Jim Boyer, Kerry McKenna, Jean Sander, John Hopkins, Alfred Vetrone, Lauren Knole, Gary Meyers, Gurt Bolea, Wayne Baize, Bee Stanton, Ron Stewart, Phillip Fronsberger and Joseph Orr. The gallery also specializes in the work of deceased Southwest artists Maynard Dixon, Ed Boren, Edgar Payne, Jimmy Swinerton, Hernandez Villa, Albert Groll, Clyde Forsythe, Hanson Pugh, Rod Goebel, among others. For further information call 257-2813.

Eagle Ranch Art Gallery
7288 Hwy. 54/70, Alamogordo, 1-800-432-0920 - Two area artists are featured during April. Martha Julian will show her "Works on Paper," featuring black and white drawings in charcoal, ink and pencil, and pen and ink drawings and sketches. Fletcher B. Thompson is a noted artist in the medium of wrought iron. His "Works in Iron" will feature functional pieces as well as free form design. Museum hours: 9 a.m.-6 p.m. seven days a week.

McGarry Studios and Expressions in Bronze Gallery
2002 Sudderth, Ruidoso, 257-3790, 1-800-687-3424 - Dave McGarry'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.

Mountain Legends Gallery & Foundry
610 E. Hwy. 70, Ruidoso Downs, 378-8040 - 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday, public bronze pourings and tour of the foundry.

Museum of the Horse
Hwy. 70, Ruidoso Downs, 378-4142 - 7 p.m. Saturday, April 12, "Poetry Nite." All poets and poetry lovers are invited to read their original works or works by their favorite poets during a celebration of language in its finest form. Admission is free. Please arrive early and sign up if you are going to read. Museum hours: 10 a.m.-5 p.m. daily.

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

The Tree's House
Nogal Canyon Road off Hwy. 37 between mile markers 9/10, Nogal, 505-354-4208 - Georgia and Michael Lagg are woodworkers who design and create a variety of functional artworks, including doors, screens and lamps. Gallery hours are Thursday through Monday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

parks/recreation

Volunteers needed at Smokey Bear Historical State Park
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 or stop in at 118 Smokey Bear Blvd., Capitan.

Bureau of Land Management
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Funtrackers
104 Carrizo Canyon Road, Ruidoso, 257-3275.

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

Nogal Amusement
Fishing and ponding at 5 Nogal Canyon Road, Bent, 24 miles W. of Ruidoso on Hwy. 70, 671-4980.



Neighbors

AROUND
THE TOWN

Neighboring Mescaleros to host pow-wow contest

Dancers, who will come from all over the Southwest to compete, vie for more than \$20,000 in prize money.

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Dancers from all over the Southwest will converge on Mescalero May 2-4 for the Southern Eagle Contest Pow-Wow sponsored by the Mescalero Apache Tribe and the Southern Eagles Indian Club.

More than \$20,000 in cash prizes will be awarded to the dancers who win the judge's admiration in 12 dance categories. The competition is a terrific show with everyone showing off their best talents and outfits, said one of the organizers.

"This is an annual event to which we invite dancers from all over the United States and Canada," said Fred Kaydahzinne, head of housing for the Mescalero Tribe. "It's a good healthy activity for our Indian people and a way of preserving our culture and heritage. We feature dances from the north and from the south, quite a variety."

The public is invited to bring cameras and to chat with dancers,

if the opportunity arises, Kaydahzinne said. Booths will be set up for the sale of food, arts and crafts, he said.

"It's a good chance to bring communities together," he said. No admission is charged.

Registration opens at 2 p.m. Friday, May 2, at the Mescalero gymnasium, followed by the Gourd Dance. At 7 p.m., dancers will enter the performance floor and the contest pow-wow will begin.

The Gourd Dance will start at noon May 3, with the grand entry and contest pow-wow at 1 p.m., a supper break from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m., the Gourd Dance again at 6 p.m. and the grand entry and contest at 7 p.m.

Sunday will wind up the contest with the Gourd Dance at noon, followed by the grand entry and contest at 1 p.m. Kaydahzinne said all dancing should be finished by 7 p.m., when awards will be presented to the winners.

Dean White Breast of Toledo, Iowa, will act as master of ceremonies. Head dancers will be picked daily by head gourd dancer Dennis Chapabitty from Sacramento, Calif.

Three \$1,000 "winner-take-all" prizes will be awarded: one for the Southern Straight Dance honoring Mescalero President Wendell Chino, a men's Grass Dance sponsored by Ruidoso Ford, and a spe-



Dianne Stallings/Ruidoso News

Dancers from all over the Southwest will compete in the pow-wow.

cial from bronze sculptor Dave McGary in four categories (men's fancy, men's northern traditional, women's jingle and women's fancy shawl).

McGary also will award a bronze sculpture plus \$250 to one first-place winner in the men's and the women's general contest divisions.

Twelve dance categories will be staged, including a junior boys and

girls division and a tiny tots boys and girls division.

All drums are welcome. Host drums will be manned by Black Lodge Singers and White Swan from Washington, and the Cozad Singers from Anadarko, Okla.

Booth space may be rented for \$50. For information, contact Kaydahzinne, Sherman Blake, Helen Little or Jackie Blaylock at (505) 671-4494.

Lincoln bustles with activity in April

BY ROSALIE DUNLAP
Ruidoso News Correspondent

It has been a busy April so far. Ralph and I went to Playas to visit our granddaughter, Patricia and take her cat back to her. Then we visited Ralph's 93-year-old aunt, Jewell (Judy) Fuller.

Easter church services were held at the San Juan Church with a very good attendance. Following the church services there was an egg hunt held for the children at the Schreengost home.

We have lost a dear friend with the passing of Henriette Wyeth. She was such a charming lady and so gracious to everyone. Our sympathies go to her family and friends.

There have been so many golden wedding anniversaries being celebrated. It started with Bob and Jane Shafer of Carrizozo, then Fletcher

and Imogene Hall. We had ours — which the family had as a surprise to me. I'm afraid I gave my husband a bad time as he kept telling me we didn't need a party since we

had our trip to New Zealand. Then the family had the wonderful party at the fair building, our renewal vows the next day and the ladies of the church (Pat, Janice, Carol) gave a reception at the home of Pat and Tom Sullivan. Thanks to all of you for making the weekend such a wonderful time with so many memories. And thanks to those who took photos of all the activities.

Saturday afternoon A.B. and Phyllis Zumwalt of Hondo celebrated their anniversary with renewal of vows at the Nogal Church. They had all their family there but two grand-children. The Zumwalts and us go back to 1954

when we moved to Nogal. Our pets, two puppies and a lamb, played together, playing tug-of-war, etc.

LINCOLN TRAILS

A.B.'s family are old settlers to the Nogal area, and Phyllis grew up in Carrizozo. There are a lot of memories to remember, with our children going to school together, church activities and a long friendship.

Saturday night Arcie and Irene Barham had their celebration with a dinner and dance at the Carrizozo Country Club. Irene was at one time Ralph's secretary and Gordon and Becky went to school together and were active in 4-H. Arcie trained horses and ran the ranch for Pat Dunning. They have always been great friends.

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County photographic society seeks photos of Hale-Bopp comet

The Photographic Society of Lincoln County would like to have a public showing of comet photographs made in Lincoln County.

The work can be any size print, slide or transparency — color or black and white — taken with any type of camera.

First, however, they need to know who would like to participate and the kind of photograph, so they can make arrangements for space and display equipment. A show date will be determined by the amount of interest.

There is still time to take the picture and get it ready to display.

Call Leland Deford (257-3676), Dave Travis (258-4006), or Herb Brunell (258-4003) for information and to let them know about the amount of interest.

Mail to the Society can be sent to P.O. Drawer T, Ruidoso, NM, 88355.

Please participate this time — they won't do this again for 2000 years or so.

New officers elected for RSVP council

New Advisory Council officers were elected at the regular meeting of the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) of the village of Ruidoso. The meeting was held Feb. 6 at the Ruidoso Senior Center. Elected were Leon Eggleston, chairperson; Bart Young, vice-chairperson; and Sally Martin, secretary/treasurer. James Wheeler will join the council as a new member.

The Advisory Council is composed of 11 members. Other members are Thomas Carroll, David Thomsen, Betty Kurtz, Wes Kurtz, Gary Jackson, Theresa Luna, and Doyle Howell. Sandee Jourden and Charlotte Seitz as staff are non-voting members.

The purpose of the council is to lend support and leadership and to promote the local RSVP project. All Advisory Council meetings are open to the public.

Membership in RSVP is open to any one 55 years of age or older. The purpose of RSVP is to provide meaningful opportunities for seniors to be active participants in the community through volunteering. Currently RSVP has 134 volunteers and 43 work stations in Ruidoso, Ruidoso Downs, and Alto. Work stations include village, county, and state government offices, public schools, and non-profit agencies in need of extra help. Seniors interested in information or volunteering may call 257-4565 or stop by the Ruidoso Senior Center.

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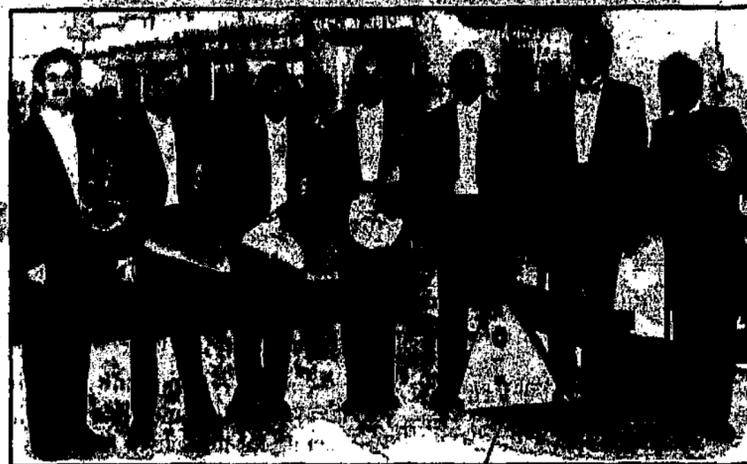
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Last community concert



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The Moscow Batalikas will perform as the last concert in this season's Ruidoso Community Concert Series at 7:30 p.m., Friday, April 18 at the First Christian Church in Ruidoso. After two seasons of coast-to-coast sold-out performances and standing ovations, the award-winning virtuosi instrumentalist and vocalists return to the U.S. with performances of a new program of authentic Soviet classics on traditional Russian folk instruments including old favorites as well as a few surprises.

Lincoln Trails: a busy April

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had more than two feet of snow Sunday night.

and Arcie always had a joke or story to tell on you (and he had several on me).

Sunday afternoon, the home of Johnson Stearns was the setting for the baby shower of little Miss Richardson, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rick Richardson. The event was hosted by Judy Glover and Linda Gibson. The little miss received many lovely and useful gifts.

Saturday morning I attended the photo workshop given by Carol Wilson in Carrizozo.

Ralph Dunlap and Betty Schrecengost were among those who attended the Republican Central Committee meeting at the courthouse in Carrizozo.

Betty Schrecengost, Khaki Sweetman, and I attended the Richardson baby shower Sunday.

We have really had the gamut of weather — from unexpected snowstorms to showers and then the horrible wind over the weekend. But it is so much worse elsewhere. Our son in Boston had more than three feet of snow and my family in western Nebraska

The Wortley Hotel is keeping busy. The gallery and coffee shop next door is progressing. Hopefully they will be open in another month. Ralph Dunlap's remodeling in the back of his shop is finished. It certainly made a difference in the looks of the room, besides being a lot safer.

We are all so thankful that Bishop Terrance Kelshaw is improving so well from his recent brain aneurysm. We last saw him when we went to see Bob and Linda Hart in Las Cruces. They were confirmed in St. Andrew's Church. He was having such a good time.

Father Jan Davey has been busy going back and forth to Tucson, Ariz. Her daughter Ruth has had complications with her expected baby.

Eleanor Shockey has been filling in as organist for San Juan's Church when Janice Herd has been unable to attend. We seem to have our Lincoln people on the go this spring with seeing new grandchildren, branding and ranch work meetings. Maybe we will all get back on schedule soon.

Anderson completes engineer courses

Marine Pfc. Gregory J. Anderson, a 1996 graduate of Ruidoso High School of Ruidoso, recently completed the Basic Engineer Equipment Operator Course.

During the nine-week course at Marine Corps Detachment Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., students receive instruction on engineer equipment operation, maintenance

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Hall of famer



Dianne Stallings/Ruidoso News

Actor Richard Farnsworth was inducted into the National Cowboy Hall of Fame's "Hall of Great Western Performers" at the 36th Annual Western Heritage Awards in Oklahoma City on March 15. Farnsworth, a Lincoln resident, began his movie career in 1936 as a stuntman for actors like John Wayne and Guy Madison.

WEDDINGS ENGAGEMENTS

Crist, Hutchinson engaged to wed

Allison Tamara Crist and Joel Wade Hutchinson are engaged to be married at 11 a.m. on Saturday, July 19, in the Rose Garden at Fuller Lodge in Los Alamos.

Allison is the daughter of Phyllis and Bob Hedges of Los Alamos. She is a graduate of New Mexico State University and is attending graduate school at Washington State University.

Joel is the son of Karen and Ken Hutchinson of Ruidoso. He will graduate from New Mexico State University in May and is student teaching at Los Alamos Middle School.



Courtesy photo

Allison Crist, Joel Hutchinson

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Dorley Patton, Walt Harris

Patton, Harris engaged to wed

Dorley A. Patton and Walt H. Harris are engaged to be married at 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 17 at the Tree of Life Church in San Angelo, Texas. A reception will follow immediately across the street from the Tree of Life Church.

Dorley is the daughter of Ms. Barbara Patton of Odessa, Texas. She is the granddaughter of Betty and Vic McCarty of Ruidoso.

Joel is the son of Joel and Peggy Harris of San Angelo, Texas.

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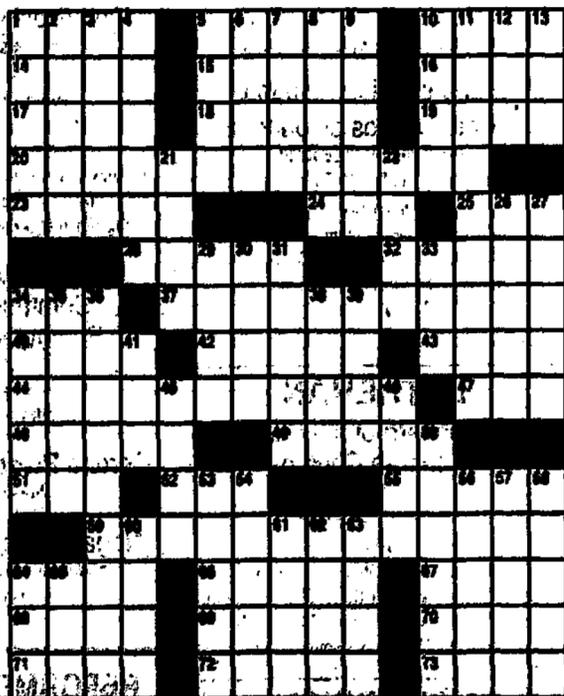
- 1 Applaud
- 3 Sweetheart
- 10 Nuclear weapon, for short
- 14 As well
- 15 Derives
- 16 Fly high
- 17 Go pft!
- 18 Kins
- 19 Wraps up
- 20 Notes in cyberspace
- 23 Sidewalk
- 24 Sailor's ascent
- 25 Sailor
- 26 Singer James et al.
- 32 Roomy
- 34 Mediator: Abbr.

- 37 "Nixon" character
- 44 Where to get a hoggy
- 45 Cleaver's "Soul"
- 46 Scorer on serve
- 48 Part of Chopin's Opus 10
- 47 Doubles team
- 49 Imps
- 48 Fly-fishing, for one
- 51 "For shame!"
- 52 "Well, ———— di-dah ..."
- 53 In the lead
- 54 Dangerous strain
- 55 "The Second of May" artist
- 56 Start of a Dickens title

- 67 "Cheers" patron
- 68 Attend Choate, e.g.
- 69 No-Tell, for one
- 70 Paradise
- 71 Just okay
- 72 Beginning
- 73 Hardy heroine

DOWN

- 1 Sights along the Champs Elysees
- 2 Large, furry pet
- 3 Chinese, e.g.
- 4 Like Miss Manners
- 5 Word on a gift tag
- 6 Wash
- 7 They're good with tricks
- 8 The brainy bunch
- 9 E. B. White piece
- 10 "Peekaboo"
- 11 Build
- 12 Rotten
- 13 ——— Maleprop
- 21 Running behind
- 22 Neuter
- 26 "Nixon" character
- 27 Small rocket engine
- 28 Thunder god
- 29 Tops
- 31 Actress Loretta and others
- 33 "There you are!"



Puzzle by Elizabeth C. Garald

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

SLAB ARAFT ADAM
PAPA MELEE GIBE
AVES BABAR ONUS
MAXIMUMSTRENGTH
KEES ANY
BLEIGH OOZE ALA
TALC BRAZE BUD
ADVANCEDFORMULA
LET ALMA TRUP
END GUE ADLEST
AND ONE
WHITERTHANWHITE
HURL ONANA DEB
EMMA ONTEL GELS
TERS WOLDS MALO

- 34 Masterful
- 35 Twin brother of legend
- 36 Shiners
- 38 "We'll tak ——— o' kindness yet": Burns
- 39 Make over
- 41 Alphabetrio
- 42 Scandinavian port
- 43 O.E.D. misdirection
- 44 1995 Sandra Bullock film
- 52 1836 bottle site, with "the"
- 54 Try to pick up
- 56 Wear away
- 57 Buenos
- 58 Denounces
- 59 Mafia chief
- 61 Fruity
- 62 Toward shelter
- 63 Scot or Breton, e.g.
- 64 Family docs
- 65 Conquistador's cache

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THE SAINT (PG13)
*1:30 4:00 6:45 *9:15

LIAR LIAR (PG13)
*1:15 *3:15 5:15 7:15 *9:30

* Friday - Saturday only
257-9444



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

Iglesia Bautista Vida Eterna
420 Mechem Drive
Luis F. Gomez, Pastor
Domingos: Escuela Dominical 10 a.m.
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

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CATHOLIC

St. Eleanor Catholic Church
Ruidoso 257-2330
Reverend Richard Catamach
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 354-9102
Saturday Mass-5 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
Bent
Father Tom Herbst, Pastor
Saturday Mass-6 p.m.
Sunday Mass-8 a.m.

CHRISTIAN

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

CHURCH OF CHRIST

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

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

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST LATTER DAY SAINTS

Church of Jesus Christ LDS
Ruidoso Branch - 336-4359 or 257-9691
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
Glencoe
Sunday: Holy Eucharist-9 a.m.

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

FOURSQUARE

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

FULL GOSPEL

Mission Fountain of Living Water 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 Esp. - 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: Night 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, 257-3614
Warren K. Schrock, Pastor
Capitan/Carrizozo
Carrizozo
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Sunday worship 11:10 a.m.
Wednesday choir-6:30 p.m.

Capitan
Sunday worship-9:15 a.m.
Adult Sunday School-8:30 a.m. 2nd
Sunday School 11 a.m.

PENTECOSTAL

Spirit of Life Apostolic/Pentecostal Tabernacle
Capitan, Lincoln Ave.
(2/10 mile past fairgrounds heading toward the business district)
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. 1st Thursdays

NAZARENE

Angus Church of the Nazarene
Angus
at Bonito Park Nazarene Conference Center
12 miles north of Ruidoso
on Highway 48
Charles Hall, Pastor
336-8032
Sunday School-9:45 a.m.
Sunday worship-10:45 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday fellowship-6:30 p.m.

PRESBYTERIAN

First Presbyterian Church
Ruidoso, Nob Hill
257-2220
James Howland, 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 Schet, Pastor
Church school-9:30 a.m.
Sunday worship-10:30 a.m.
Men's junior high youth-6:30 p.m.
Wed. high school meeting-7 p.m.
Thurs. Kids Club (grades 1-5)-3:30

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

Seventh Day Adventist
Ruidoso Downs, Agua Fria
207 Parkway • 378-4161
Pastor Nick Lytle 443-1904
Assoc. Pastor William Morrow 622-1206
Sabbath school-9:30 a.m.
Church services-11 a.m.
Prayer meeting Wednesday-7 p.m.

NON-DENOMINATIONAL

American Missionary Fellowship
Gregg Hunt
354-2307
Ruidoso Area 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
(now reunions on Calvary Chapel)
433 Gateway Center, 257-5126
Pastor Carlos Carron
Martes 7:30 p.m. predicacion
Domingos 5 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
Jeamaje 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 a.m. Pastor
9:30-10:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30-12 Noon Service
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Going out

Dozen artists featured during annual 'ghost town' studio tour

The studios of a half dozen White Oaks artists will be open to the public Saturday and Sunday, April 19-20, from 1-4 p.m. during the Artists of White Oaks 4th Annual Studio Tour.

Another half dozen guest artists and craftsmen will be participating, making this year's tour the largest ever in this one time mining boom town and frequent haunt of Billy the Kid.

White Oaks, founded around 1879, is located in the mountains off Route 54 just north of Carrizozo. Though still considered a "ghost town," there are 40, or so, residents who not only man the White Oaks volunteer fire department, but also find the time to write, draw, paint, build, carve, sculpt, tool or shoot (photographs, mostly).

This year's studio tour (always held the weekend after the April 15 IRS deadline for no particular reason) features the work and studios of White Oaks painters John Duncan, Bob Reynierson and Palla, as well as noted saddlemaker Harlan Webb, potter Ivy Heymann, furniture artist Jeff Chapman and photographer Peter Wolfe.

Guest artists include custom buckskin designer Connie Garrison (Southwest Artware Buckskins, Ruidoso), bear claw jewelry and hat bands by Eddie & Larry Verecke (Lost Marble Antiques, Carrizozo) and the works of wood carvers Mike and Georgia Lagg (Tree House Studios, Nogal).

Admission to all studios is free. Maps are available at the White Oaks Schoolhouse and Museum. Also open for touring will be the historic Gumm House.

The 4th Annual Artists of White Oaks STUDIO TOUR



Laura Clymer/Ruidoso News

Maps for the Artists of White Oaks Studio Tour will be available at the White Oaks Schoolhouse and Museum. Admission to all studios is free.

Historic Taylor House/Studio to be open

For the first time in a couple years, artists John Duncan and "Palla" will open their historic Taylor House (circa 1887) studios during this year's tour.

A native of California, John Duncan has been painting professionally for over 20 years and studied under four of the "early Taos" painters and now works in post-impressionist representational style. His first love is sky-scapes. His works range in price from \$450-\$6,000.

"There seems to be a generational change right now," he notes, "and the new generation seems to be going more towards gadgets than art." He noted that in Taos galleries

where he used to be represented, "they're carrying what I consider commercial art. Period. It's nothing that a museum would ever want, in the past, in the present, or in the future. It's pretty. It's technically competent. It's empty of emotion. It might go with your sofa.

"If you want to sell art in America today, you do market research and then you give them what they want."

"Maybe it's lifestyle changes," added Palla, who also paints in the impressionist style, "and they collect names. It's a celebrity culture now."

"I think it's a lack of education in the schools and a general lack of sensitivity, growing up without even an aware-

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"Palla"



John Duncan



Harlan Webb

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White Oaks: annual studio tour

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ness of painting, or even art," added Duncan.

"I love the place," noted Duncan about White Oaks. "I love the house, I like the lifestyle and it's really interesting meeting the people that come through White Oaks. A lot of them are looking for Shangri-La. They're looking for a place that's sanctuary...and really, that's all in the past. There's hardly anyplace like that left."

Palla, a Pleasant Valley, N.Y., native, has been painting professionally for over 30 years after an apprenticeship with a French Impressionist.

New Furniture Ranch Studio Open

Also new on this year's tour is artist Jeff Chapman's Patos Mountain Furniture Ranch (overlooking the Patos (Duck) Mountains near White Oaks Pottery outside of White Oaks).

Chapman, 47, who is also a licensed contractor, returned full-time to his first love...handmade furnishings, last year turning out a line of aspen/pine log/pole beds, trunks, dressers, mirrors, frames and other designs.

Colorado-born, Chapman spent his youth globe hopping as a military dependent, spending time in Spain, Japan and California. For a while he was part owner of a restaurant in Hawaii.

He hand tools his popular aspen log beds in sizes from twin to California king (with or without a canopy). Prices on the pieces start in the \$400 range and go up from there.

Chapman is also experimenting with inlaid ceramics in his furniture (done by White Oaks Pottery owner Ivy Heymann) and adding leather-tooled hardware (by saddlemaker Harlan Webb).

Potter joined by carvers and photographer

For this year's studio tour, woodcarvers Mike and Georgia Lagg, as well as a photographer Peter Wolfe, will be displaying their work at Ivy Heymann's White Oaks Pottery studio.

Heymann, 42, arrived in White Oaks in 1976 with two things on her mind: pottery and black diamond skiing. She opened her studio two years later.

Her ski season ended a bit early this year when she broke a leg in two places, then skied down the mountain to the first aid station at Sierra Blanca.

Heymann, who built a 40 sq. ft. kiln out of bricks recovered from a turn-of-the-century gold smelter, is



Ivy Heymann

known for her black, blue and green glazes in a variety of forms from pots to sculpted pieces.

She studied ceramics at the University of Miami with Christine Federghi and apprenticed in Georgia and with Vernon Owens at Jugtown Pottery in North Carolina.

"There's no other place I'd rather be," she notes. "When I die, just roll me into that kiln with my last load."

Studio legendary Webb site

Two things make Harlan Webb happy: making saddles and cowboying.

At 64 he's doing a lot more of the former, and he's still on his custom, built-from-scratch saddle orders (\$1,500 and up; \$2,500 average). When he gets tired of working on one, though, he takes a break by making custom-ordered belts (\$100 and up), wallets (\$65 and up), purses (\$100 and up) and brief cases (depends).

Webb calls the whole southwest his home, though he's spend most of his life in and around Roswell, N.M., and El Paso, Texas.

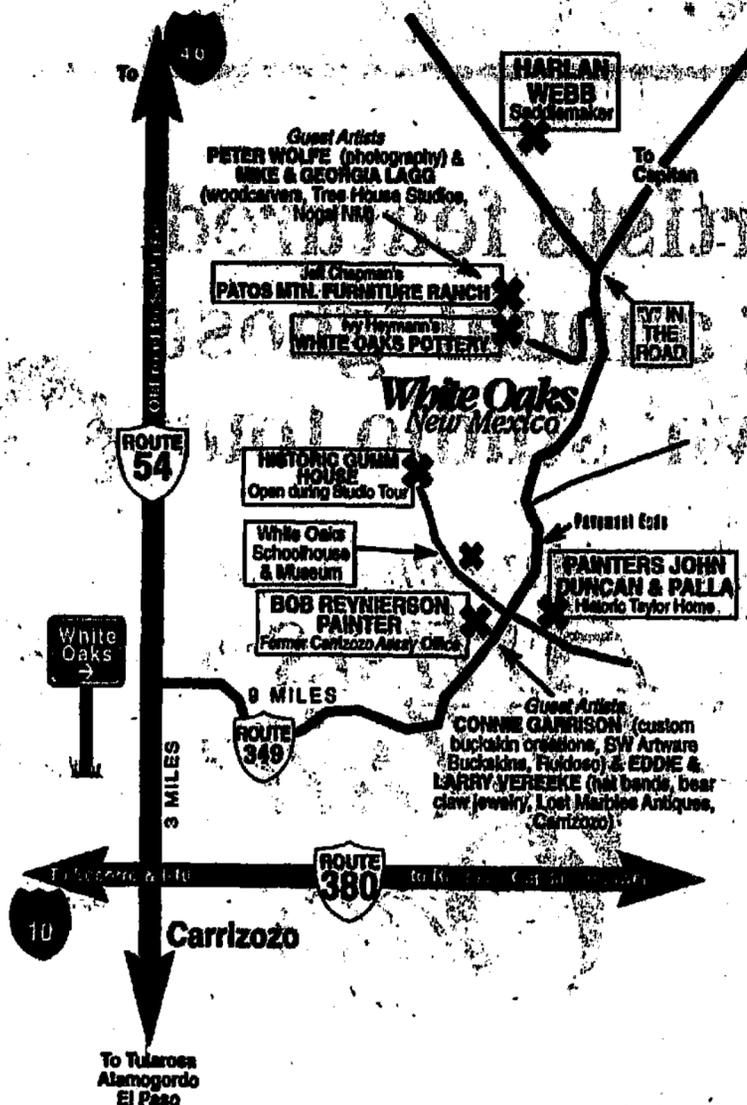
"There's a bigger demand for saddles now than there's ever been in the history of the United States," says Webb. "There are more horses in the United States than there's ever been, all kinds of horses. And, there are fewer saddlemakers that custom-make...hand-make saddles, which is a totally different ball game than machine saddles.

"I read someplace in a saddle publication, that replacing saddles that were stolen or lost in fires last year would take a million saddles."

Most of Webb's saddle orders are for show saddles, some that people have no intention of ever riding. Many of Webb's customers are Sunday afternoon riders trying to out-do one another with equipment.

"They're the backbone of my business," he said.

"I'd love to make a really good working cowboy saddle, but there just aren't that many working cowboys left," he said. "A working



GETTING THERE

FROM EL PASO: North on Route 54 thru Alamogordo, Carrizozo turn off just the other side of Tularosa. Thru Carrizozo three miles north, turn right 9 miles to White Oaks, New Mexico. Or I-10 to Las Cruces, I-25 to San Antonio, New Mexico, then Route 385 east to Carrizozo. North 3 miles to White Oaks turnoff.

FROM LAS CRUCES: Route 70-82 to White Sands/Alamogordo then north on Route 54 thru Tularosa. Left on 54 to Carrizozo. Three miles north of the crossroads and then 9 miles into the mountains.

FROM ALBUQUERQUE: I-40 east to Moriarty, south to Willard, Corona and down Route 54 towards Carrizozo. Or I-25 south to San Antonio, east on Route 385 to Carrizozo. North 3 miles to White Oaks turnoff.

FROM ROSWELL: Route 380 west to Carrizozo. North on Route 54 to White Oaks turn off (about 3 miles).

cowboy needs it stout and durable, and it doesn't have to be pretty.

"In the 1950s and early 1960s we thought that saddlemaking might disappear because people were using pickups too much, but it just turned around. During that era it looked so bleak that no one learned the trade. So now we've ended up with a big demand not near enough people to make them.

"Very fortunate that way," is how Webb responded to a question about demand far out-stripping his ability to supply. He is currently about two years behind on orders.

"If I just worked as hard as I could, I could make a fancy saddle in two weeks. But it'd be a real hard two weeks. Plain old saddles? I could turn out two a week."

Reynieron experimenting with styles

Bob Reynieron, 68, was looking for a piece and a place to quietly think when his wife of 39 years died.

He found it in White Oaks. A Kentucky native who once specialized in precision, realistic equine paintings, Bob is now experimenting in media from clay to watercolors and oil, and in techniques from realism, to impressionism and abstract realism.

"I'm really painting more for myself now," he notes. Late last year he closed his gallery, a former assay office moved to White Oaks from Carrizozo, to visitors in order to concentrate on his work.



Jeff Chapman

GOING OUT

RLT presents benefit performance to raise money for regionals

Ruidoso Little Theater is sending the cast and crew of "Throckmorton, Texas" packing, and the public is invited to help sponsor the trip.

The play will represent RLT and the state of New Mexico at the Southwest Regional Festival in Denton, Texas, April 17-20. Director Mary Maxson and her ensemble won first place in the American Association of Community Theatre State Festival and Competition in March.

In Denton, they will compete against award-winning theatres from

Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, and Louisiana. To help raise money for festival fees and travel, RLT is hosting a benefit performance of "Throckmorton, Texas" at 7 p.m. Sunday, April 13, at the Castle. Admission to this special performance is \$10.

"We need all the help we can get with this," said RLT manager Pamela Cromwell. "RLT is proud of this show, and we're proud to send them to regionals. But, as usual, we're strapped for the kind of money it takes to support an effort like this."

The Little Theatre is currently summoning all its resources to pay for the Castle, which it moved into last June. The non-profit, volunteer organization is counting on community support, like Sunday's benefit show, Cromwell said. The cost of sending Maxson's group to

Denton for four days is about \$2,000.

The show is actually Act 1 of "Throckmorton, Texas," titled "The Whiz Bang Cafe." Directed by veteran RLT member Mary Maxson, the play stars Louise Cone, Kimble Kearns, Lynn Price, Rance Price, and Gene Templeton.

It's business as usual for Whiz Bang owner Mary Nita (Cone), serving up coffee and cake to her only regular customer Leo (Kearns), Throckmorton's evangelist.

But when Walter and Ann Simmons (Templeton and Lynn Price) stop the cafe on their way to San Angelo, the small-town cafe heats up with small-town intrigue. Walter, an accountant, is obsessed with the idea of being a cowboy someday, and he's driving his wife crazy. With typical small-town inquisitiveness, Mary Nita and Leo make it their business to "help" the Simmons with their domestic problems. When things fall apart, the only cool head belongs to truck driver Buck (Rance Price), who saves the day.

The dialogue is sharp, fast and funny (well, as fast as dialogue gets in Throckmorton, Texas). Judges at the state competition commended the directing and dramatic performances of this RLT troupe. Everyone is invited to see "Throckmorton, Texas" before it hits the road, and tell the performers to "break a leg" at regionals.

SEND THEM PACKING

What: Benefit performance of "Throckmorton, Texas" by the Ruidoso Little Theater for its regional competition
When: 7 p.m. Sunday, April 13
Where: The Castle, Hwy. 70
Cost: \$10

Brahms' 'German Requiem' to be performed in Cruces this weekend

The Las Cruces Symphony at New Mexico State University will be joined by the Masterworks Chorus and University Singers, conducted by Jerry Ann Alt, in a performance of Brahms' "German Requiem" at 8 p.m. on Saturday, April 12, and at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 13, in the Music Center Recital Hall.

This magnificent work will also feature Martha Rowe, soprano, and Jon Linford, baritone.

Brahms wrote this requiem during his most impressionable years when he experienced the mental

breakdown and death of his friend and mentor, Robert Schumann. The work is not a liturgical mass, but music relating to death set to German words. Brahms here addresses those who mourn, offering them consolation with final resurrection and judgment referred to only as a promise to the future.

Proceeds from these concerts will benefit the orchestra scholarship fund. Tickets are on sale at the Pan Am Ticket Office and Dillard's for \$7, \$10 and \$15. For other information call the Symphony Office, 646-3709.

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- 46 - Carrizo Canyon Lodge
- 47 - Mescalero Inn
- 48 - Inn of the Mountain Gods
- Shuttle Center

Arts Weekend in Capitan



Toni K. Laxson/Ruidoso News

Lincoln County artists, including those above, will gather at 6:30 p.m. today in Capitan for a public discussion about supporting the local art community. The discussion, followed by a potluck dinner, will be in the Lincoln County Mercantile and Trading Post at 320 S. Lincoln Ave., in Capitan. The works of 90 local artists will be displayed at the Post. A public exhibit of those works will be 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. Saturday. Pictured (from left to right) are: Suzanne Donazetti, a Carizozo sculptor; John West, Carizozo jewelry designer; Virginia Watson-Jones, Capitan sculptor; Ann Buffington, Carizozo sculptor; Jeff M. Chapman, White Oaks furniture designer; Kenneth Payne, Carizozo sculptor; and Lonnie Lippmann, Capitan photographer.

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Southwestern humor heats up the stage

Roswell comedian debuts on Mescalero stage Saturday.

Arizona's Pete Christensen will be starring in this weekend's Comedy show at the Sports Bar in the Mescalero Cafe at 9 p.m. Saturday. Also scheduled to appear are Gordon Meehl and Daniel Folly.

This weekend's comedy show, normally held in the nightclub, will be performed downstairs in the Mescalero Cafe.

Christensen has garnered a reputation as a clean comic that gets laughs while making the audience think. He's been dubbed a social-political humorist with topical, insightful humor, with the stage presence that's a cross between Dudley Moore and the Cowardly Lion. Everything Christensen does is driven by an inner comic time bomb, always threatening to explode, organizers said.

Christensen has performed with the biggest names in the comedy business, the likes of Billy Crystal, Lorie Anderson and Pauly Shore.

Feature performer Gordon Meehl is returning to the Southwest after an extensive five-week tour of the East Coast comedy circuit. Meehl's easygoing stage presence and likable personality always gets him invited back to

every club, organizers said.

A Canadian comic and writer, Meehl now draws his material from the streets and offices of El Paso. Gordon lets us into his life and shares with us what it is like to marry a Native American woman. "Whenever we have sex it rains... that explains the drought of '96!"

A new face and talent, Daniel Folly will be getting things started as he makes his comedy debut. An ex-Marine now living in Roswell, Folly has been working his routine on friends and family and is now ready to try it out on stage.

Hosting the show will be KOOKS, producer for "Kooks Comedy Show" and also Artistic Director of the Dona Ana Repertory Theatre in Las Cruces.

The performance begins at 9 p.m. so you can come early and grab a bite before the show. Kooks Comedy Show also invites you to join the comics after the show to dance 'till dawn at the Mescalero Inn Nightclub across from the cafe.

After the show you can dance and groove with the latest tracks on the charts with DJ Michaud at the nightclub.

The Mescalero Cafe is located on Carrizo Canyon Road 1.5 miles north of the Inn of the Mountain Gods on the Mescalero Apache Reservation.

For additional information or directions please call 505-257-6695.

Rattlesnake Roundup in Alamogordo April 19-20

The 10th Annual Rattlesnake Roundup, the only event of its kind in New Mexico, will be held 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, April 19 and 20 at the Otero County Fairgrounds in Alamogordo. Come see live rattlesnake shows, including the famous sleeping bag trick. Snake handlers will crawl into sleeping bags filled with live snakes.

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The Caribbean Jazz Project will perform in Popejoy Hall at 8 p.m. Saturday, April 19. Tickets are \$25, \$22, and \$18, and are available through ProTix by calling 851-5050 or (800) 905-3315, or at Albuquerque and Santa Fe Furr's Supermarkets. Tickets may also be purchased at the UNM Ticket Office, located at the main entrance to the UNM Bookstore.

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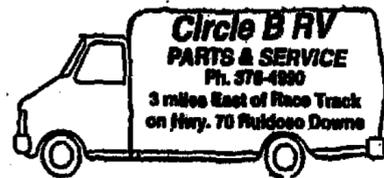


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Club Calendar

ADULT SINGLES GROUP

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

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Meets at the Lincoln Tower, Lower Level, rear entrance.
Mondays - Noon AA meetings and 8 p.m. Step Study.
Tuesdays - 8 p.m. closed AA and Alanon. Noon meeting.
Wednesdays - Noon AA meetings and 8 p.m. Alanon Study.
Thursdays - Noon open 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.
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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.

AUTO WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION

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

ALTRUSA CLUB

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

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

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED PERSONS

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

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY OF LINCOLN COUNTY

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

AMERICAN LEGION

ROBERT J. HAGEE, POST 79

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

AMERICAN SEWING GUILD OF NEW MEXICO

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

B.P.O.E. No. 2086

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

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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 Pasco 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 Mothe's office in Compound 1402 at 1401 Sudderth Drive.

FAMILIES & FRIENDS FOR FAIRNESS & SUPPORT
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FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE LODGE #26
Meets at K-Bob's Steak House Restaurant at noon every Thursday.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

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

GOLDEN AGE CLUB

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

HIV + SUPPORT GROUP

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

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

KIWANIS CLUB

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

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LINCOLN COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY

Meets once a month. Call Cecé Griffin, chairperson at 257-7858 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
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LINCOLN COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER AUXILIARY

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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.

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NOBY WATER SERTOMA CLUB

Every Wednesday at 100n 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, 258-3717 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 258-5153 for more information.

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

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

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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.

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.

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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.

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

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

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

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

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

ZETA ALPHA SCOUT COUNCIL

Ruidoso Area Scout Council meets 6 p.m. the second Monday of every month at the Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount.

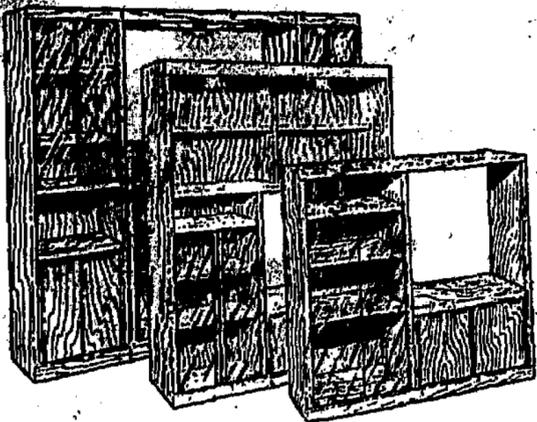
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Doc Holliday, the "deadly dentist"

(This is the second in a two-part series about Doc Holliday.)

PAST TENSE



Drew Gember
Ruidoso News

Many years after Doc's death, his best friend, Wyatt Earp, reminisced about why Doc eventually left Fort Griffin. It seems that Doc caught a local man named Ed Bailey cheating and after some angry words, Doc had all but eviscerated Bailey with a Bowie knife. As Wyatt pointed out, "Well, that broke up the game." No doubt.

Unfortunately for Doc, Bailey was locally popular and Doc was not. At the time, Fort Griffin had no jail, so the homicidal dentist was kept under guard at the local hotel. Things weren't looking very optimistic for the young dentist/gambler. Bailey's friends were forming a lynching party at which they planned to have Doc as the guest of honor.

Kate Haroney, which was her real name, or Big Nose Kate Elder as she was popularly known, came to Doc's rescue.

Thinking quickly, Kate set fire to a small stable (it should be noted that she led the horses from it first), and then, when most of the local citizens were rushing to extinguish the blaze, Kate showed up at the hotel where Doc was incarcerated. Sticking the muzzle of a gun under the nose of the single guard who was left on duty, she threw another pistol to Doc, and the pair escaped into the night. Neither of them ever returned to Fort Griffin, for reasons that are obvious. Together, they headed for Dodge City, Kan.

Doc in Dodge

On June 8, 1878, the Dodge City Times ran an advertisement that read: "Dentistry. J.H. Holliday, Dentist, very respectfully offers his professional services to the citizens of Dodge City and surrounding country for the summer. Office at Room No. 24, Dodge House. Where satisfaction is not given, money will be refunded."

Once again, Doc found that there was more gold in people's pockets than in their teeth, and he was soon dealing cards instead of working on dental problems.

It was during the summer of 1878 that Doc and most of the other gamblers and gunmen then infesting Dodge made the acquaintance of Eddie Foy, possibly the most famous comedian of the 19th century. Foy had such an engaging personality that even the hardest of the hardcases took him to heart.

Most Hollywood films in which Doc Holliday is a character have at least one scene in which a gunfight erupts while Doc is playing cards. In these scenes, all of the patrons except Doc drop to the floor. Doc inevitably remains calm and cool, continuing to deal cards, heedless of the danger.

Yes, it is true that Doc had little regard for his own personal safety, but his instincts when confronted with a potentially deadly situation were the same as any other man. One of Foy's reminiscences highlight this fact. Speaking of

an incident in Dodge City one night, Eddie Foy said the roar of a number of pistols sounded outside the saloon and that "Everybody dropped to the floor at once, according to custom. Bat Masterson was just in the act of dealing a game of Spanish monte with Doc Holliday, and I was impressed by the instantaneous manner in which they flattened out like pancakes on the floor. I had thought I was pretty agile myself, but those fellows had me beaten by seconds at that trick."

It was about this time that the defining moment in the friendship of Doc Holliday and Wyatt Earp occurred. According to Wyatt, "It wasn't long after I returned to Dodge City that his (Doc's) quickness saved my life. He saw a man draw on me behind my back. 'Look out, Wyatt!' he shouted, but while the words were coming out of his mouth he had jerked his pistol out of his pocket and shot the other fellow before the latter could fire."

A somewhat garbled account of the incident appeared in the Ford County Globe, noting that "none were seriously hurt." Wyatt Earp was not the sort of man to forget such things and he and Doc's friendship was bonded forever by the incident.

Doc in Las Vegas

By the summer of 1879, Doc was running a saloon in Las Vegas (the one in New Mexico). On July 19, 1879 a man named Mike Gordon was on an extended drunk in Doc's saloon and was generally making a nuisance of himself. Gordon, it seems, was inordinately fond of a saloon girl in Doc's employ — a feeling that the lady in question did not return. When she exhibited a decided lack of interest in Gordon's entreaties, Mike decided to go out in the street and use Doc's saloon for target practice.

Gordon fired two shots into the saloon from the street and was preparing to fire a third when Doc calmly stepped out the front door and perforated Gordon, ending the problem. Gordon died the following day.

In October of the same year, Wyatt Earp and his second wife, Mattie, arrived in Las Vegas where Wyatt began to fill Doc's head with the tales of the boundless opportunities for men such as themselves to make money in the new boomtown of Tombstone, Arizona Territory.

Doc sold his interests in Las Vegas and he and Kate accompanied the Earps as far as Prescott, A.T., where they intended to rendezvous with one of Wyatt's older brothers, Virgil.

In Prescott, Doc hit a winning streak at the tables and while the Earps — Wyatt, Virgil, James and Morgan, along with their wives — headed for Tombstone, Doc and Kate remained in Prescott. So, despite the fact that so many seem to think that Doc and Wyatt were joined at the wrist and ankle, Doc and Kate didn't arrive in Tombstone until nearly 10 months after the Earps had arrived there in December of 1879.

Trouble in Tombstone

In Tombstone, Doc was something of a millstone around Wyatt's neck. Wyatt was



attempting to run for sheriff and otherwise become an outstanding member of the community. The fact that his best friend was a noted gunman did not sit well with the local citizenry. The situation was exacerbated further by a stagecoach robbery near Tombstone.

On July 6, 1881 stage driver Bud Philpot was killed during a holdup. Wyatt's political (and romantic) rival, Cochise County Sheriff John Behan, plied Kate with liquor and got her to sign a statement implicating Doc in the robbery/murder.

When she sobered up, Kate recanted her story, but Doc was less than pleased with her contrite attitude. He put her on a stage the very next day. And just in case anyone was curious as to how he felt about the charges, he stated publicly that he would kill, on the spot, the next person to so much as mention the words "stagecoach" or "robbery" to him. No one was inclined to take him up on this offer. Tensions between the Earp "faction" (primarily the Earp brothers and Doc) and the "Cowboys," as the local criminal element was known, mounted steadily until the afternoon of Oct. 26, 1881 when the famous "Gunfight at the O.K. Corral" occurred.

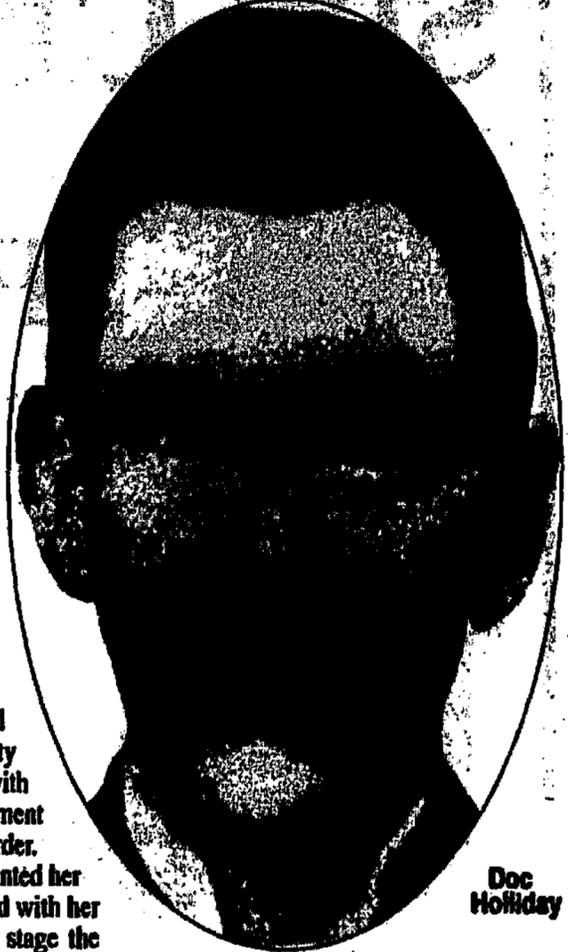
Tom McLaury's last view of the planet Earth

Historians have been divided for years about who shot who during this classic Old West confrontation, but one thing all seem to agree on is that Tom McLaury's last view of the planet was staring into the twin muzzles of the shotgun Doc was carrying on that climactic day.

Two months later, Virgil Earp was seriously wounded and crippled for life by unknown assailants as he crossed the street between the Oriental and Crystal Palace saloons. In March of 1882, Morgan Earp was shot and killed from ambush while shooting a game of billiards in Bob Hatch's saloon.

While much is made of Wyatt and Doc's famous friendship, the friendship of Doc and Morgan is frequently overlooked — but friends they were, and when Doc got the news of Morgan's murder he went about Tombstone with blood in his eye and a gun in his hand searching for the men he felt were responsible. Luckily for all concerned, he found no one.

After that, Doc, Wyatt, Wyatt's younger brother Warren and several friends went about the Arizona countryside searching for the killers. Wyatt held warrants for the men thought to be responsible, as well as a com-



Doc Holliday

mission as a U.S. Deputy Marshal, but all those warrants really represented to Wyatt and his friends were hunting licenses.

It has been said many times that the hunt for Morgan Earp's assassins was an illegal vendetta, which it was, but the fact remains that when it was over, organized crime in Southeastern Arizona was as dead as the cowboys who faced the Earps and Doc at the O.K. Corral.

Doc and the Earps headed for Colorado, where they parted company. Several attempts were made to extradite Doc back to Tombstone where his life wouldn't have been worth a plug nickel, but they were thwarted by Wyatt's friend Bat Masterson in a series of political maneuvers.

So far as is known, Doc Holliday never killed another man, although he was involved in several shooting scrapes before the end of his life.

The final days

The end finally came in Glenwood Springs, Colo., where Doc had somewhat belatedly gone for treatment of a disease that was beyond treatment. Contrary to popular opinion, Doc's last days were spent in the hotel in Glenwood Springs, not in a sanitarium.

Doc became a Roman Catholic on his deathbed, possibly out of respect for his cousin, Sister Melanie. He had been delirious for days and was not expected to regain consciousness when, on the morning of Nov. 8, 1887, he opened his eyes and asked for a glass of whiskey. As he drank it down, he looked at his bare feet protruding from under the bedcovers. He smiled. "Well, I'll be damned. This is funny." He was speaking of the fact that he was, contrary to his entire lifestyle, dying with his boots off.

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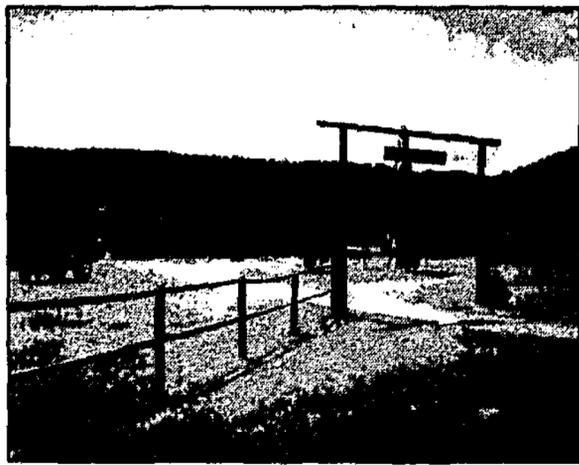
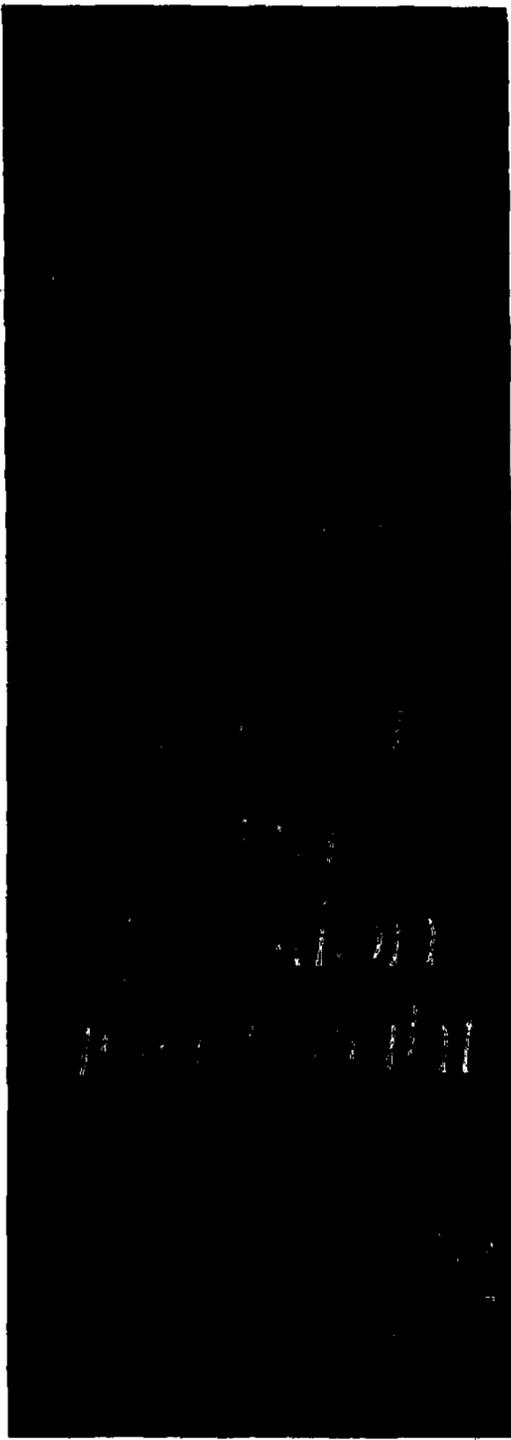
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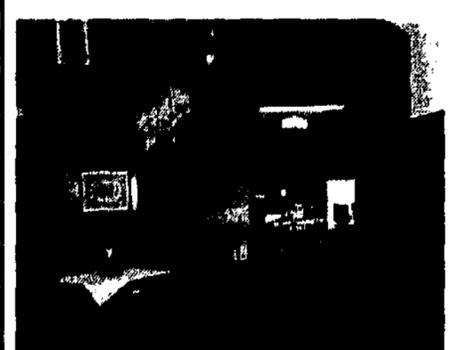
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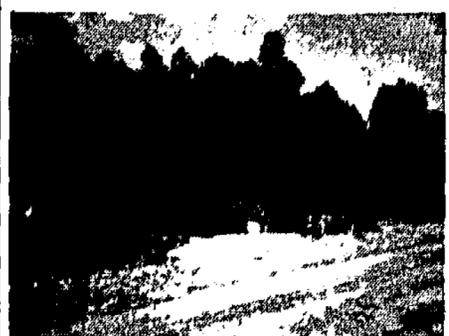
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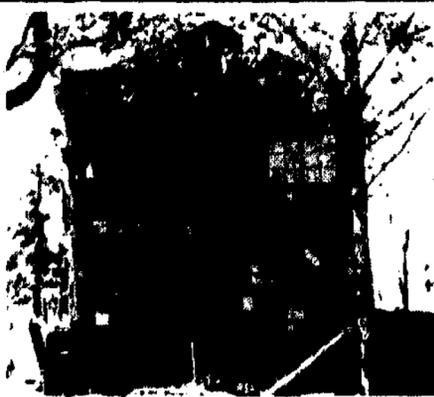
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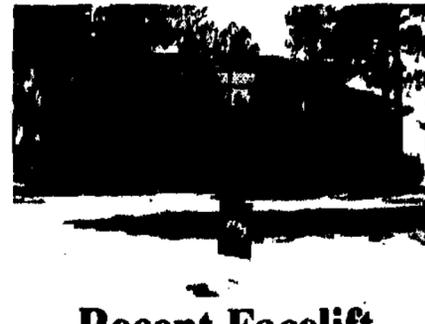
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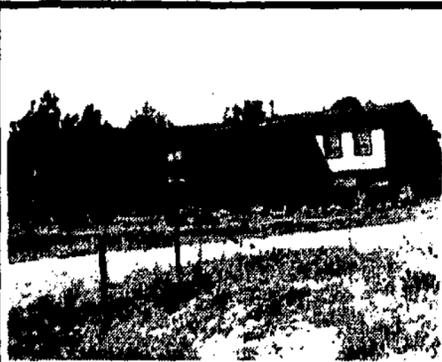
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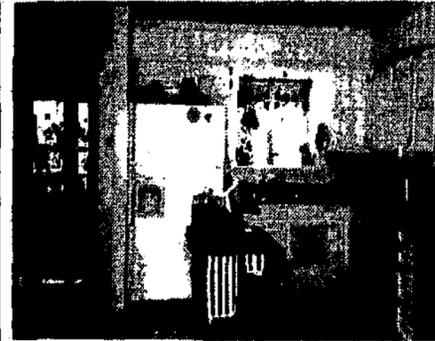
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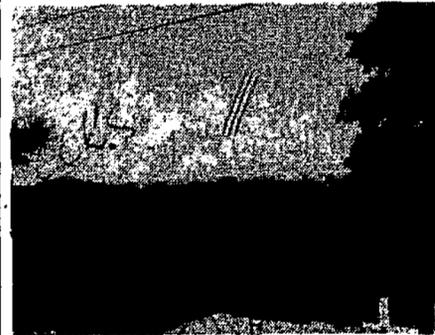
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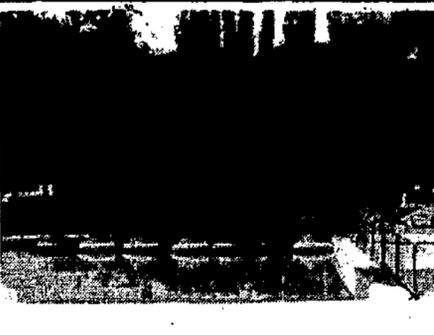
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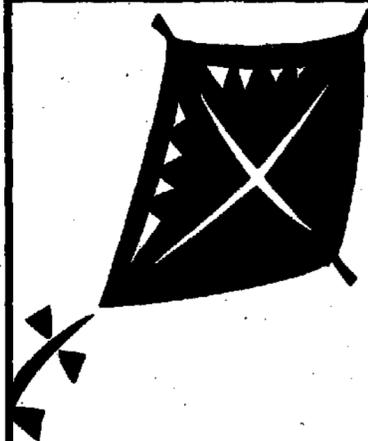
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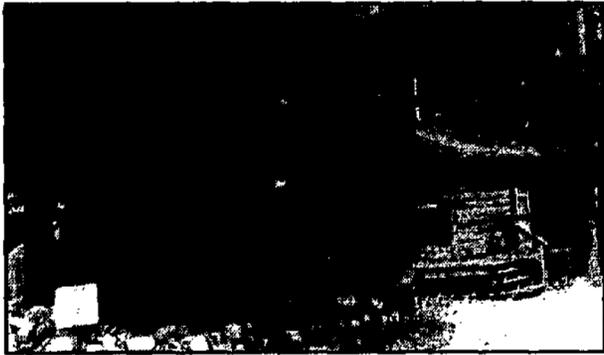


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GREAT CABIN ON MAIN-UPPER CANYON - Zoned commercial neighborhood. Could be used for retail or home, or both. Two bedroom, 1 full bath, large kitchen, fireplace, sun room looks out over river, fenced back yard. \$89,900. Call Ron! 97-70102

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NEW LISTING! - Country Club Dr. goes to the creek! Remodeled, one level, 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath, part adobe, light & open, 2 fireplaces, sun room, double carport, gorgeous, lushly landscaped lot goes to the creek! Charming! \$198,500. Call CC. 97-70346

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CUTE CHALET! 2nd story master suite! Two bedroom down, decks, pretty wooded lot! Full golf membership. Great Access. Ask for Ellie. \$169,900. 97-70337

FEATURED HOME



ENDURING EXCELLENCE - Spacious 1 level brick home on a peaceful cul-de-sac complemented by area amenities. Five bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, formal dining, 2 car garage and 2 decks. Area below home already has concrete floor and could be finished to game or hobby area. \$249,900. Ask for Lisa Smith. 97-70276

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CORPORATE RETREAT/ MOUNTAIN VIEWS - This 6 BDR, 6 BA home has it all, lots of room w/living area, game room and awesome views of Sierra Blanca from covered decks. Convenient location, close to track & shopping. \$224,900. 97-70336

COZY & COMFORTABLE & AFFORDABLE - 3 bedroom, 1 bath, has level access, large deck & fenced yard, conveniently located near the river and park. Assumable loan, no qualifying. \$61,000. 97-70071



Mary Austin
257-5785

GREAT RESIDENTIAL AREA - Lovely 3 bedroom, 2 bath, beautiful fenced yard w/greenhouse, fruit trees, 2 car garage, sunny country kitchen, level paved access. \$122,500. 96-61890

LUXURY ALTO TOWNHOME - Furnished in style, 4 bedroom including a large master suite. Full golf membership, walk to the clubhouse. Fantastic views & garage. Well priced at \$198,500. 96-60687



BEAUTIFULLY REMODELED! Possible owner financing. Three bedroom, 2.5 bath on La Luz. New decks, carpet, roof and more. \$99,500. 96-60908

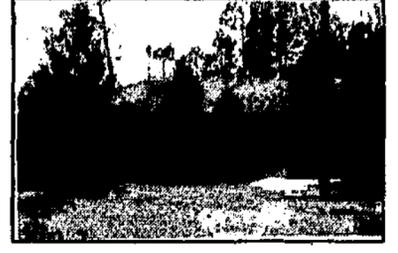
SUPERB COMMERCIAL BUILDING - 3,000 +/- sq. ft., lot goes street to street, bathrooms, workshop, storage. Excellent traffic and super location. \$225,000. 96-60899



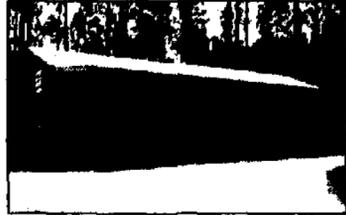
Carolyn Carter
258-5267

GREAT PANORAMIC VIEWS FOR A GREAT PRICE! Three bedroom, 2 3/4 bath, with lovely decks, cozy corner fireplace, fenced yard area below, level access. Super price in area of higher priced homes! \$89,000. 96-61412

INNSBROOK VILAGE CONDO - Completely remodeled with light SW contemporary decor. Two bedroom, 2 bath, mostly furnished. Living room features cream colored leather furniture. All on one level. \$62,500. 96-621010



Lani Cogan
336-8312



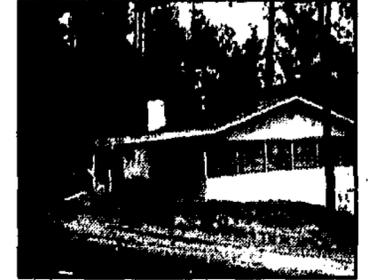
RUSTIC CHARMER - NEW CONSTRUCTION - 2 1/2 features rough cut wood exterior siding, knotty pine t/g inside. Super quality and style. Two redwood decks, custom cabinets, nice one level. Owner is licensed NM Realtor. \$99,900. 97-70028



SUPER, SIERRA BLANCA VIEWS! Almost new 3 bedroom, 2 bath, with lovely vaulted ceilings, corner fireplace, refrigerated air conditioner, great Sierra Blanca views from deck off living area (partially covered), 2 lots made into one, level access. Fully furnished. \$89,900. 97-70245



"OLD RUIDOSO" CABIN ON THE RIVER - Sleepy little cabin in Sleepy Hollow, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, built-in fireplace. Great river lot! May owner finance w/large down. \$99,500. 96-61089



EXCELLENT CONDITION - WELL MAINTAINED - Pampered, mountain getaway, Upper Canyon area, 2 bedroom, 2 bath plus sun room - can sleep a bunch! All city utilities, big lot, deck, mostly furnished, wash/dryer, carport, big lot! \$89,900. 97-70188



PRICED TO SELL! Master bedroom separate from other 2 bedrooms, good access, very clean & well maintained. Excellent location. Walk to the Links! Close to schools. Room to add garage/carport. \$59,000. 97-70104

WHERE THE EAGLES SOAR!! Truly spectacular, panoramic views, on 7.797 +/- acres, can have 15 horses, fenced. Charming split-level 3 bedroom, 2 bath master has even better views. \$219,900. 96-62105



Carolyn Henson
258-5568

NEW WITH STYLE & PIZAZZ! New construction, great view, 1 level, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, vacation home or permanent residence, jazzy kiva corner fireplace, exposed wood vegas and beams. High ceilings, interesting and unique! \$129,900. 96-61910

GREAT VACATION OR PERMANENT HOME! RV and boat carport in back, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, lovely stone fireplace, fairly new carpet and appliances. Double garage, office/sewing room off breakfast area and garage, level access. \$139,900. 96-62099



RUIDOSO HOME WITH SECLUSION and a great valley view to boot. This home has a spacious master bath, 3/2.5, rock fireplace, lots of wood inside, office and shop downstairs, large wooded lot and more. \$149,500. 97-70130

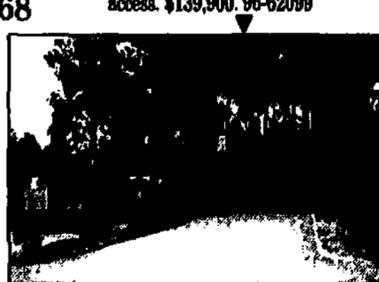
GREAT RETREAT OR MINI RANCH - Large dormitory, caretakers home, playgrounds, barns, corrals, tall pines, 75+ acres on Eagle Creek, lots of seclusion, fantastic Sierra Blanca views, close to National Forest, and possible owner financing. \$895,000. 96-62030



Ed LeBlanc
258-3693

ALMOST NEW mountain home with 3 bedrooms and 2 baths. This home also has Berber carpet, rock fireplace, wood floors, tile counter tops, dream kitchen, carport, and more. \$116,250. 96-61848.

SIERRA BLANCA in the sky and Cree Meadows in the vale. What a view! This lot has paved road, natural gas, city water, and has usable slopes. \$11,000.00. unls#new
GRINDSTONE SUB. lot with a view of S.B., fairly level, underground city utilities, nice homes around \$17,500. 96-61880.



MOBILES OKAY on this beautiful 5+ acres in Enchanted Forest 1. Capitan views, large pines, seclusion. \$26,000. 97-70361

GREAT VIEW with a flat area to build on top. Lot backs up to State land and in town. \$10,000.00. 96-61652

BUILDABLE LOT in Cedar Creek with tall pines and a possible mountain view. Possible owner financing. \$14,995.00. 97-70358



UPPER CANYON CABIN OPERATION - Don't miss the chance to own your own business in the historic Upper Canyon. Six rentals plus living quarters, office, shops, and laundry room. \$269,000. 96-61807



LARGE, SPACIOUS & LIGHT describes this remodeled home. Three bedrooms, three baths plus guest suite on lower level with second kitchen. New metal roof & new oak kitchen cabinets. \$249,900. 96-60765



THIS CUSTOM-BUILT HOME HAS IT ALL! Charm and character in this (almost) new 4 bedroom, 3 bath home, in beautiful White Mt. Estates, low maintenance, metal roof and 50 year vinyl siding, double finished garage plus single garage. Reduced to \$195,000. 96-61108



FABULOUS TOP OF THE MOUNTAIN with views that don't get better, immaculate custom built 4 bedroom, \$229,900. Owner/builder. 1+ acre, huge workshop, office, lots of storage, double garage + single garage, truly panoramic views, 94-40828



Don Lincoln
258-4808

GREAT VACATION HOME - 2 bedroom, 2 bath in the woods, in a nice neighborhood. Partially furnished. \$94,500. 96-60436

BIG RIVER FRONTAGE! This river front cabin is the ultimate Ruidoso experience! Beautifully maintained log sided original. Large screened porch, deck & grill. \$159,900. 96-61912



Nancy Lore
258-4741

CUL-DE-SAC WITH FABULOUS SIERRA BLANCA VIEWS! Great access, super, large floor plan with new carpet, painting (ext. & int.), wall coverings. Fantastic views of Sierra Blanca, Cree, town. Four bedrooms, 2 baths plus 2 powder baths. Reduced to \$169,900. 97-70140

BREATHTAKING VIEWS from this lovely one level, 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath home on huge lot w/perfect access, 2 living areas, light & open, lots of windows to appreciate views, area is custom homes. Apt. only. \$229,900. 96-60027



Richard & Janis
Loverin
258-5008



ACREAGE AND MORE! This charming setting with 6.2 +/- acres is totally fenced. Excellent views of Sierra Blanca & Capitans. Two bedroom mobile, stalls, horse barn, runs & more! \$89,900. 96-61583



ATTRACTIVE HOME WITH SUN ROOM - This 3 bedroom homes' entrance is graced w/sun room providing a really nice ambiance. Paved drive and parking. All on one level. Nice! \$105,500. 97-70233



IN PINES WITH A VIEW! - Live in a quality built, spacious environment situated in a beautiful neighborhood! Possible \$5,000 new carpet allowance with suitable offer. \$215,000. 94-41752



CLEAN & NEAT, CLOSE TO CREE! This nicely furnished two bedroom condo has 2 baths also. Covered deck and a nice view. Close to grocery store and golf course. End unit. \$59,900. 96-61976



GIANT VIEW OF SIERRA BLANCA This remodeled mobile has unbelievable views. Add-on adds additional room to living room and enhances street appeal. Large carport has terrific deck above. Furnished. \$58,500. #16



HARMONY WITH NATURE Lovely new home includes 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, cedar siding, large deck. Open floor plan w/cathedral ceilings, wood accents, lots of windows. .8 acres, 1 year warranty. \$104,500. 97-70224



TWO BEDROOM AND ONE FULL BATH - This nice mobile home comes fully furnished down to the linens. Just bring your toothbrush. There is a full size bed, a set of bunk beds and even a fold out couch. It will easily sleep 6. \$17,500. 96-61413



FOUR BEDROOM, 2.5 BATH One of the nicest homes in Ruidoso. Super nice, clean, bright, remodeled in 1994. Kitchen cabinets, carpet, paint, outside storage shed and window coverings. \$175,000. 96-61723



Rose Peebles
257-3200

ALTO VILLAGE - INVESTMENT PROPERTY - SELLER SAYS SELL! This tastefully decorated duplex with 2 master suites for each side, has adjoining hot tub. Great for partners. \$159,000. 96-60138

LUXURY LIVING AT ITS BEST! Low maintenance home, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, large family room, open kitchen-dining room, double garage. Many custom features. \$179,000. 96-61948



Ron Ritter
378-8191

ONE OF THE BEST RESTAURANTS IN RUIDOSO - Both the Deck House Restaurant and The Tortilla Company, furniture, fixtures, equipment, recipes will be sold. Clint and Mary want to take a vacation! Go by and eat anytime. \$250,000. 96-62091

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