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Presbyterian opts for 10 more years here

Lincoln County Medical Center's administrator notes that Presbyterian has a 20-year lease, and has chosen to continue its contract. If the county wants out, it must give 180 days' notice.

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Much ado about nothing. For the past two months, some Lincoln County commissioners have declared they weren't quite ready to commit to another decade of the county hospital being managed by Presbyterian Health Care Systems. They put off requests by Lincoln County Medical Center administrator

Valerie Miller to officially accept Presbyterian's decision to exercise its option for a second 10 years on a 20-year contract.

They listened to a local physician and some residents who urged the county to seek bids from other hospital management companies before deciding.

They talked about making changes in the contract before they signed up for a second stint.

Tuesday, after commissioners said they don't intend to talk to other management companies, but they still aren't ready to commit, Miller set them straight.

"This is a 20-year lease that was

signed in 1988 and runs until 2008," she said. "It is not a renewable lease or a new lease. It's Presbyterian saying they want to continue. It's the company's option."

She pointed out that either party can end the arrangement for the hospital in Ruidoso with 180 days' notice as provided in the contract.

During a break in the commission meeting, County Attorney Alan Morel said he previously had spelled out the situation for commissioners, but they had interpreted the situation in a different light.

Some of their confusion may have been tied to remarks by Miller about three months ago. At that time, she

"The (expansion) project is just sitting there now."

Valerie Miller,
LCMC Administrator

\$2.6 million, three-year hospital expansion and renovation project.

She said Tuesday she still would like the commitment so that the company can move ahead. "It's not legitimate for me to go ahead with the expansion until we know the issues (that commissioners want to change

told commissioners she would like a commitment from the county that commissioners intend to continue with Presbyterian before embarking on a

in the lease) and if we can resolve them," Miller said. "The project is just sitting there now."

If commissioners want a representative on the community board that oversees the operation of the 37-bed hospital, that can be done, she said. Previously, commissioners have served on the board at the invitation of the hospital, but have not stayed long.

Responding to Miller's predicament, Commissioner L. Ray Nunley offered a motion formally accepting Presbyterian's request to continue the

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INDIAN GAMING

Mescalero, others OK compacts

The Mescalero Apache tribe was one of ten Indian tribes in the state to submit a signed gaming compact to Gov. Gary Johnson on Monday.

"President (Wendell) Chino delivered it to the governor's office himself yesterday," said Rob Burpo, a lobbyist and financial adviser to the tribe.

Along with with compact, the tribe delivered a resolution that endorses the compact, yet protests the lack of negotiation between the state and tribes during the compact's development, Burpo said. According to federal law, the compacts must be reached through negotiation between the state and tribes.

The Associated Press reported Chino said the Mescalero signed the compact under protest because the terms were dictated by the Legislature.

He also said the one portion of the compact — the state's 16% share of revenue from gambling machines — "almost amounts to extortion."

Chino said he hoped U.S. Secretary of Interior Bruce Babbitt would influence the state to renegotiate the compacts' terms.

Gov. Johnson was not in his office Monday to receive the compacts, nor was he expected back until Friday, Burpo said. The governor is expected to sign the compacts after his staff reviews the accompanying resolutions for compliance with the law.

Once Johnson signs the compacts, the gaming bill will become effective, legalizing casino operations in the state.

Tribal casinos in New Mexico may now operate pending resolution of a 1995 lawsuit. The lawsuit, which has been appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court, questions the legitimacy of the last compact between the state and tribes.

If Johnson signs the compacts Friday and sends them on to Babbitt, then Babbitt has until about Aug. 25 to either approve or disapprove. He may also decide to do nothing, at which point the compacts became effective, but the terms involved may become subject to legal interpretation.

Excluding the Navajo tribes, which do not have casinos, only four of the state's tribes did not deliver signed compacts Monday, Burpo said.



Dianne Stallings/Ruidoso News



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Happy, happy Fourth

It was a colorful Fourth everywhere in the Ruidoso area over the weekend. Above, six-year-old Dyrhan Hackfeld, from El Paso, watched the Smokey Bear Fourth of July Parade in Capitan Friday morning along with thousands of other spectators. Left, children enjoy a ride in a giant-size basket as part of one of the many dramatic floats depicting "The Year of the Child" theme of the holiday parade in Mescalero.

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Cool weather, hot happenings bring out the crowds July 4 weekend a huge winner

The Fourth of July may not have been a thermometer-busting scorcher, but it had cash registers heating up.

BY JULIE BAXTER
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Rain clouds may have dimmed the night sky Friday and kept fireworks from making a bang, but there was still plenty to get fired up about over the Fourth of July weekend in the Ruidoso area.

Whether it was eating, drinking, shopping, foot stomping or victory viewing, activity abounded in Ruidoso during the three-day holiday, not to mention the traditional holiday bashes in Capitan and Mescalero. Only the fireworks display near the Spencer Theater was rained out.

The word from Ruidoso businesses and the community is that this was a fantastic Fourth.

"The town was packed," said Joan Bailey, executive director of the

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Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce. "There seemed to be a constant stream of people. I think we ended up with just a great Fourth of July."

She credited the cool weather and the hot happenings as reasons for the hopping crowds. "One of the things working in our favor was the return to traditional weather patterns," Bailey said. "Not only are we getting summer showers that cool us off, but it's hot everywhere else."

"I'd love to see the rest of July be that good."

Michelle O'Brien,
Mid-Town merchant

If the weather wasn't enough of a draw, visitors could treat themselves to four days of racing at Ruidoso Downs Race Track, get a sneak peek at the Museum of the Horse's Ruidoso Downs Race Horse Hall of Fame, or keep the beat with a concert at the Ruidoso Convention Center.

Dean and Eddie Fowler, the father and son team who own Win, Place & Show, put on a star-studded country concert with Chék Rippee and the

Roadrunners, Dan Seals and Darron Norwood all taking the stage. Both father and son were pleased with the turnout out for the show, as well as holiday business.

"Ticket sales were a little over 1,300," Dean Fowler said. "That's not bad; we're very happy with it."

Eddie Fowler said crowds were on hand all weekend at WPS and those who drifted in after the concert Saturday night had nothing but good comments about the christening of the convention center as a country venue. Of the weekend as a whole he said "I thought it was Labor Day (referring to the masses who flock to Ruidoso the first week of September.) It was tremendously busier than last year. I haven't seen a Fourth of July like this in years."

His take on things was echoed across the town.

Some merchants gave a nod to the Roswell 50th Anniversary UFO celebration, noting that some customers were in town because they couldn't find

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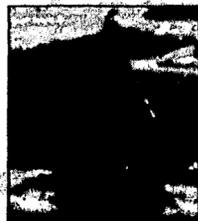
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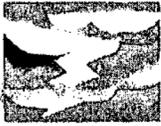
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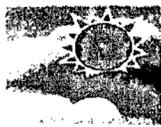
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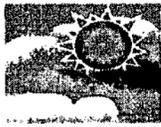
Thunderstorms

THURSDAY High ... 85 Low ... 47



Partly cloudy

FRIDAY High ... 86 Low ... 45



Partly cloudy

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Ruidoso Readings	High	Low	Precip.
Friday	76	47	trace
Saturday	85	46	.19"
Sunday	86	45	trace
Monday	85	46	.03"

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

June/July phases of the moon



STARDATE

The two nearest neighbor planets to Earth shine in the western sky during July's late evenings. As twilight fades, look very low in the west-northwest for star-like Venus, the next planet in toward the sun. Venus is quite near the horizon and it sets before the end of twilight. It will remain nearly this low in the sunset all summer and then will climb a bit higher in the twilights of autumn.

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lodging in Roswell.

"We were busy," said Michelle O'Brien, owner of Michelle's. "It was a good weekend for business; we were up significantly and all I can do is praise God because, you know, it was nice, I'd love to see the rest of July be that good."

Steve Tally, general manager at the Swiss Chalet Inn, and John Amezcua, general manager at The Cattle Baron, also said it was a weekend to remember. "Things were terrific. It was certainly busier than last year. We were basically full for the entire weekend," Tally said.

"Last year there were a lot of mitigating circumstances — the forest was closed, the gambling issue hadn't been resolved ... This was kind of like a Fourth of July of years past," Amezcua said. "It was refreshing to see the town hopping."

Bruce Eldredge, director of the Museum of the Horse, said the flood of folks also trickled down to the Downs. "He said

250 people showed up for the ticketed opening party for the Race Horse Hall of Fame and even more took the time for an equine history lesson or some saddle seeing.

"It was an excellent weekend," Eldredge said. "The numbers for the weekend were up probably 5 to 7% and the museum shop did even more."

With the retail fireworks of the Fourth, some business owners and managers are hoping the weekend will serve as an indicator for the remainder of the summer.

"With a good kickoff weekend like this we're placing large reorders and getting things back in stock for the days and weeks to come," said Vicky Daulton, owner of Covered Wagon Collectibles.

Although, Daulton admits she "hates to read too much into it."

Bailey agreed, comparing the tourism industry to stocks and bonds. "It has its highs and lows, but it really pays off if you stay in there for the long haul."

TEENS: Most hiring for 'instructors'

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on-site training, including first aid and CPR, crisis intervention, AMI philosophy, supervision and safety, reality therapy and counseling, goal setting and expectations. The initial group will consist of 15 full time and two part time employees, Valdes said.

Although most of the local people will be hired as instructors, if they show potential and are interested, they will be trained for management positions within the company, Valdes said.

Flooded with applications

"We're flooded with applications right now," Willis said. "We're going to stagger our hires through the end of October. We're scheduling the interviewing process now. We should be doing all of interviews for the initial group of people in the next week or so. Some may not be hired until next month."

"This is a non-profit operation and we can't front load the staff. Start-up revenue will be slim because we only get paid based on the number of kids being handled. The money goes into the kids, the staff and community."

The first week, six offenders will be admitted. The next week, the same number. Thereafter, three a week will be added, Willis said.

"The first kids help with the next group and that group helps with the next," Valdes said. "It creates a bonding."

State CYF makes choices

It will be up to CYF what offenders will end up at Camp Sierra Blanca, although they must be low risk and non-violent, Valdes said.

"But they still are kids that need full time supervision even though they're not habitual offenders," she said.

Under the contract, the offenders, ages 14-18, could begin arriving Aug. 1, a Friday, but Willis said he hopes the state holds off until Monday, Aug. 4.

For hiring info

Camp Sierra Blanca is flooded with applications at present, but information about hiring (mostly for instructor positions) is available by calling AMI at (505) 354-3219.

After more than a dozen years in programs with AMI, including working with violent offenders and moderate risk residential programs, Willis said he's still enthusiastic about the goals and approach of the company.

"I love my work," he said, adding that he applies some of the same principles in his own home.

"I think what we do philosophically is to give the kids the same thing good families do, lots of love, lots of discipline. Everybody has responsibilities and expectations. Discipline doesn't work without love and love without discipline. Discipline only works if the kid understands, so every discipline is a learning experience."

The staff is not composed of psychiatrists and psychologists, he said.

"We're reality therapists" who help the young offender look at different options than destructive behavior for frustration and anger, he said.

This will be Willis' first try at low-risk offenders.

"Hopefully, we stand a better chance of turning these kids around and getting them going in the right direction," he said. "The focus will be tons of love and tons of discipline, education and social skills; work ethic, vocational skills, morals and ethics, increasing self esteem and getting them excited about what they can do."

"We don't holler at the kids. If they do well, there will be a reward. If they don't, there will be consequences, just like the real world. You have to work hard, be dependable and treat others with respect."

Scott Willis
AMI manager

LCMC: Patient treatment critical

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lease. It passed unanimously.

The contract with Presbyterian was significantly modified in 1984, Morel said, adding that the county can look at its provisions again at any time.

The hospital project consists of a \$1.4 million expansion and improvement of the emergency room, \$420,000 to relocate physical therapy and \$770,000 to enlarge and

improve the area for operations, Miller said.

"I think competition is good," Commissioner Wilton Howell said. "But you have to consider other factors too, like how patients are treated and the results of the treatment."

Chairman Monroy Montes said no one on the board is looking for another management firm, even if they would like to see some changes in the contract.

CYF gets new federal funding

New Mexico Children, Youth and Families (CYF) has gained \$718,000 in federal grant money to evaluate and improve local programs that focus on preventing and controlling youth delinquency, Sen. Pete Domenici, R-NM, said in Washington Tuesday.

The funds will help local communities deal with at-risk

juveniles through mentoring, gang intervention and truancy prevention, Domenici said.

The Department of Justice grant requires each state to have a system holding adolescents accountable — including probation, restitution, community service, secure confinement and aftercare programs, Domenici noted.



Courtesy Chris Stromberg, Carrizozo Trading Post

A cafe and meat market in downtown Capitan, early in the century.

L.C. SCRAPBOOK

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

Ruidoso News
July 11, 1947

Louise Massey of "Adobe Hacienda" Fame First to Play at Cree Meadows.

Saturday, July 7, the first player teed off on the Cree Meadows Golf Course in Ruidoso. Lovely Louise Massey of El Rancho del Padre in the Hondo Valley had been asked

to do the honors.

Bill Gallacher brought his wife, daughter and mother over from Carrizozo for the races. Bill's mother is 91 years of age and gets around like one much younger. Nick Vega, our sheriff, and his family also were over several times.

The Ranchmen's Camp Meeting for 1947 will open July 16 at Nogal Mesa, 12 miles east of Carrizozo. This meeting will be the eighth annual meeting to be held there, and will last for four days.

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It really is the wild, wild animal west

Aggressive bear comes visiting

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Cheryl Free is no shrinking violet around wild animals or firearms, but even she was caught off guard by an aggressive bear bent on exploring her home by way of a second-story balcony.

Free blames the bear's lack of fear on people who feed it for amusement. That kind of amusement could end up killing the bear, someone's pet or worse, she warns. She

ought to know. Her husband is paid to track down nuisance skunks and raccoons.

"The two bears that came here already are tagged as nuisance bears," Free said.

Although the couple has lived in Ruidoso nine years, they moved to the end of Cedar Creek Drive just last month.

"I have a 14-year-old dog who is deaf, has cataracts and is crippled," she said. "I hesitated to bring him here because I had read about the

bear that killed someone's pet dog last year (in the Alto area).

About 9 p.m. Thursday, Free said she heard a thumping noise on her balcony. At first she thought it must be raccoons, but when she checked, there was a bear with his hind legs in the tree and his front end on the deck.

"In the dark, my first thought was, 'By god, what a raccoon,'" Free said. She shot a pistol into the air to scare him, but it didn't phase the bear. Fortunately, her dog didn't hear it, either and remained asleep during the entire confrontation.

"I whacked at him (the bear) with a broom," she said. "But he stayed in the area until just before the deputies (from the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office) arrived."

Friday night, her parrots alerted her to the presence of another bear.

"They don't get excited when it's raccoons, but they were screaming at the bear," Free said. "I went out with a gun in one hand and a broom in the other and chased him away. He went down a few houses where there are renters and they feed him. Unfortunately, the bears are only doing what they are trained to do."

Visitors may not be aware of the law, but they can be fined if they are caught baiting bears. A nuisance bear may have to be removed from the area, which means it may die as a result of being transported to another area and into the territory of another bear. As a last resort, the bear may have to be killed.

In Free's case, Game Warden Ron Moore gave her some shotgun shells with rubber loads to sting the bruin and encourage it not to return.

... so does a cougar

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

When his dog ran off into the darkness of his backyard Thursday, John Parnell, who lives near Capitan, figured it was chasing a neighborhood cat.

"I grabbed my flashlight and my gun and went outside," Parnell said. But he couldn't get a fix on where his chow Mae Mae had gone.

"She quit barking and didn't come when I called," he said. After a few threats, Mae Mae returned to her owner and obligingly took him to a tree to show what she had cornered.

Standing under the 20-foot tree, Parnell flashed his light upward. The beam struck something about six feet above him. It didn't take him long to figure out he was looking at the glowing reflection of the eyes of an adult cougar.

Parnell beat a hasty retreat and called the state Game and Fish Department. An officer advised him to take his dog inside

and wait until morning when the cat would be gone.

"He must have been friendly or he would have gotten my dog," Parnell said. "He would have had to eat my gun first if he was going to get me."

This isn't Parnell's first encounter with a cougar.

"I've seen them in the woods before, but this still was kind of unnerving," he said.

If other reports Parnell has heard are related to the same cougar, the creature knows his way around the community. A cougar was spotted near the Smokey Bear Restaurant in Capitan after it closed for the night. Another man said he routinely sees cougar tracks around a five gallon tank of water he leaves outside at night.

"I live about a mile from town and was sitting in my motor home when I saw one crossing an arroyo," Parnell said. "I watched him go down. There are sheep across the road and he ignores them. He knows what he's doing."

Hubbard firm seeks infrastructure cost recovery from hotel developer

BY TONI K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The former lease holder of land next to the Ruidoso Convention Center says a Santa Fe company should pay \$400,000 to build a hotel on the site.

Village Attorney John Underwood told the Ruidoso Village Council Tuesday night he had just received a letter from Don Dutton, an attorney for Allhub Investments, Inc., claiming Santa Fe Hospitality owed the company for 50% of the infrastructure costs involved in the common area, such as sewer and water lines under the parking lot at the Ruidoso Convention Center.

When Underwood told

Santa Fe Hospitality of the claim, he was told the firm would not be interested in building the hotel if obliged to pay \$400,000.

"For that reason we need to assure Santa Fe Hospitality by an amendment to this lease that we would hold them harmless from such a claim," Underwood told the council.

The council unanimously approved the amended 50-year lease with Santa Fe Hospitality.

Allhub, the firm of R.D. Hubbard, owner of the Ruidoso Downs Race Track, has had options to lease the site on and off since 1989.

An amendment to the 1989 lease agreement stated that a

subsequent lease within two years after its lease expired would be expected to pay half the infrastructure costs for the common area.

When Allhub signed another lease in 1994 with the village, that clause was not included, Underwood said. "I'm saying that with the documents I've reviewed, that it is not owed," Underwood said.

The lease approved Tuesday specifies that Santa Fe Hospitality will build an upscale resort facility on the 3.8-acre site with at least 150 rooms. A provision in the lease makes the number of rooms negotiable if a feasibility study by the company doesn't support the number.

Fair sponsor offers help to Capitan Head Start

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The Lincoln County Fair Association would like to provide a temporary home for Capitan's Head Start program.

Association member Craig Whipple told county commissioners Tuesday that at the same time it's helping Head Start, and with a little financial boost from the county, the association may be able to complete some needed repairs and improvements to the fair building.

Commissioners said they're willing to listen, but they want to see some cost figures first and hear more specifics about what would be needed to create space for the program designed for preschool children.

A special meeting was set for 8 a.m. July 22, at the county fair building in Capitan, to discuss the issue. Action must be taken this month if the program is to start by mid-August when other students return to school, commissioners said.

But Sandy Gladden, who heads Region IX state cooperative education in the county,

"We're looking for something permanent."

Sandy Gladden,
Head Start coordinator

said since Head Start only needs 126 days a year in the classroom, it has some leeway on the start-up date.

Funding for Head Start in all areas of the county flows through Region IX.

Begun 4.5 years ago, Capitan Head Start serves up to 20 children, Gladden said. It was removed from the Capitan school complex when the district ran out of room because of a growing enrollment in kindergarten through 12th grades.

"For the last year, Deborah Ingle provided temporary quarters for the program," Gladden said. "Now we're looking for something permanent and we have a proposal at the national level for money to pay for a building."

Pending that decision, Ingle and Steve Anaya, director of the state office of Rural Eco-

nomics and Community Development, are working on temporary funding to start the 1997-98 year.

It could take until the first week in October to ensure compliance with the Americans With Disabilities Act on a building Ingle hopes to move to, a corner next to the Capitan school plant, she said.

Apart from the Head Start issue, Commission Chairman Monroy Montes said if the fair association needs more money to maintain the fairgrounds, it could become a county board again and let the county maintain the building, pens and arena.

The association, whose members wanted their independence from the county several years ago, currently receives about \$19,500 a year to handle the fair building and grounds and to run the annual county fair each August.

Whipple said in the last few years, the cost of utilities and other items have gone up and the association would like to take another look at the county's payment for the group managing the fairground.



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OUR OPINION

Spotless Ruidoso?

If cleanliness is right up there next to Godliness, then there is no third-place in a tourist town. We say that with the clear knowledge that after one huge July 4 weekend our village (especially at the most popular venues) was one major trash-heap.

Yes, lots of litter is the price we pay for crowds of free-spending, and sometimes freely littering, vacationers. And, no, this isn't a criticism of the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority, whose trucks once again made the long haul to Otero County with many tons of stuff from everywhere.

One of the biggest trash-heaps was beautiful Bonito Lake, where traffic was bumper-to-bumper, fishermen had to yell "fore" before casting a line and picnickers neither burned nor buried their garbage — they left it. (Yes, we know, our neighbors in Alamogordo, along with the Department of Game and Fish, control that lake).

But Grindstone Lake was little better. Cash registers filled quickly in Mid-Town, but the trash cans filled even faster. And few of our visitors, bless them, think far enough ahead to figure out where the dumpsters are located. (Can't really blame them; neither do many locals.)

Nevertheless, merely remarking with resignation that "that's the price of success" is not a solution, even if there is a correlation between the volume of garbage removed and the number of tourists in town.

Ruidoso has an anti-littering ordinance. So does the State of New Mexico, even if it seems to be enforced but rarely. We're all familiar with the State Highway Department's effort to get volunteers to keep the highway shoulders clean...a feel-good way to fix a problem, perhaps in lieu of tough enforcement.

Ruidoso Municipal Court Judge Michael Lines says littering is classified as a petty misdemeanor under state law. The state allows municipal judges to assess up to \$500 and/or up to 90 days in jail for petty misdemeanors, depending on the seriousness of the infraction.

"There are really some severe penalties," Line notes. He usually assesses a fine of \$114 for first-time offenders. Enforcement, of course, is one way to assure that Ruidoso's public areas are kept pristine for visitors.

Another way would be some enforcement warning signs at the entrances to town, but with a positive spin — maybe something like the one they once used in England: "Keep Britain Tidy." Espanola, noted for years as the grunge of northern New Mexico, even had a slogan, "Keep Espanola Beautiful." (Yep, the locals thought that was funny, too.)

Maybe ours could be: "Ruidoso is as beautiful as you want it to be...\$500 fine for littering." In other words Ruidoso needs its tourists, but to keep the next ones coming we need a clean, inviting community.

More trash containers would help. Or might service clubs provide litter bags to tourists? Nobody has a lock on ideas...call the newspaper hotline (257-1122) and let us hear them. We'll keep you informed.

OTHER VIEWS

These quotes are by local residents, or are quotations worthy of note from other publications.

"The rover is on the surface of Mars ... the scientists are in heaven."

Richard Cook, the mission manager at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif., as he reported the success of the Pathfinder

mission to the red plane. The bouncing lander hit a rocky plain on Mars after a 360-million-mile, six-month trip from Earth on July 4. The successful deployment of the controlled Sojourner rover Sunday was the first-ever man-controlled movement on another planet.

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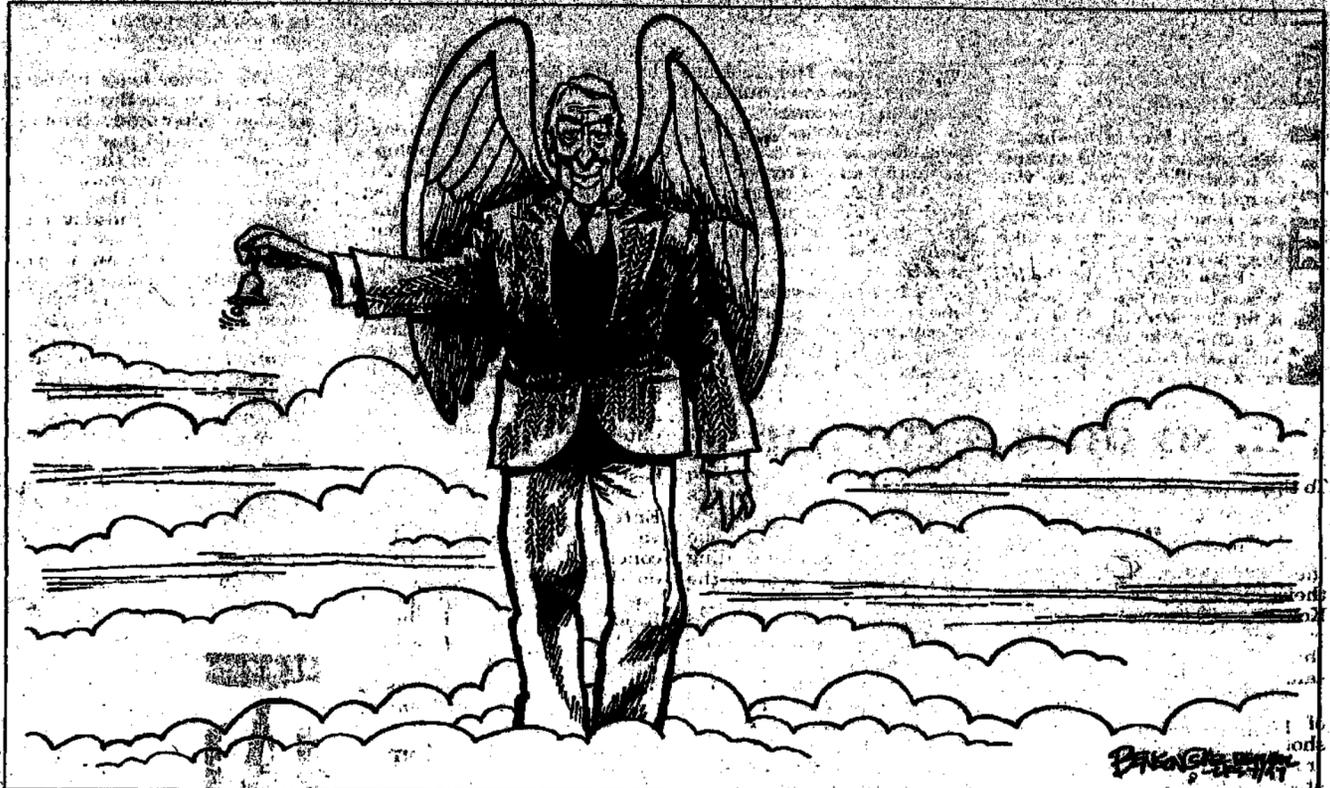
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THE DREAMER

Two holiday weekend reunions, with rain

Two Fourth of July season family reunions were held in Glencoe on Saturday, July 5.

One for David and Della Bonnell, celebrating David's birthday (on the Fourth) and Della and David's 40th wedding anniversary on December 14. This was held at the Rural Events Center.

And the other: the annual Perry family reunion held at the Perry Ranch.

At the Bonnell gathering, all the children and grandchildren were present: Ruthie Bonnell and her daughter Krystyn; Paul Bonnell and his wife Maria and their children, April and Cerena; and Joel Bonnell and his wife Kristy, and their daughter Harley.

Marie Bonnell's father Benny Sanchez made the trip from Albuquerque. Youngest at the gathering, numbering approximately 150 people, were Harley Bonnell and Nathan Dunn, both aged one year.

Among the seniors present were Gerald and Wynema Tully, Peg and Leota Pfingster; Louise Joiner; Johnny Thomas; and Jonnie Bond.

A feature of the of the day was a performance of the



BY DAN STORM
COLUMNIST

Hondo Fiesta Dancers. Other children present joined in the dancing.

I was pleased to see the widow of my long-time friend Shelton Taylor, Mrs. Wilda Taylor and their children Betty, Kay and Shelda, who came up from Roswell.

We all wish David Bonnell many happy returns of the day and all God's blessings, and we congratulate David and Della on reaching their 40th year together.

Perry Reunion

Approximately 130 descendants of Mayme and Elzy Perry gathered at the Perry Ranch Friday, Saturday and Sunday for the holiday weekend.

All the nine living Perry children except George were present. George, eldest of the children, and his wife Karen

were unable to attend.

Those present were Nina Taylor, Gladys Noaker, Ruth Rosco, Leroy and his wife Lola Mae, Elzy Junior and his wife Sharon, Don and his wife Charlotte, Jane Stout, and Charles and his wife Ann.

Donie Ray and Gary Perry were on hand representing their father, Lloyd, at the reunion.

Youngest at the gathering were Ryan Wessler and Nicole Ross, both age one year.

A memorial walk

I noticed something new at the Perry residence, a T-shaped walkway extending straight out from the front door and off to the sides of the doorway, composed of red brick.

Son Don showed me that the bricks carried names, beginning with George and Phoebe Coe, who established the George Coe homestead in 1884.

From there the bricks carried the names of Elzy and Mayme Perry, and their descendants followed, inscribed in the brick walkway. And so another memorial is added to the Coe-Perry tradition.

The Storm brothers were

raised with the Perry children, so I felt very much at home and shared many fond memories.

Mother Nature's fireworks

Late in the evening I sat watching the distant lightning away in the east, all across the heavens. This was on July 3.

The next day, the 4th, all the world was gray above with heavy clouds that lasted all day. Then about eight o'clock at night the thunder rumbled on the western hill.

Before long, the ground lightning came flashing and traveling along the ground like running messengers ahead of each thunder boom.

The large drops came splattering down and the ground lightning rose suddenly to the sky adding bursts of fireworks to the banging of the thunder in Mother Nature's own Fourth of July fireworks display. With this display came an inch of rain.

Of course we are thankful every day to be alive, but today, July 5, two hours after high noon we are especially thankful to our Lord to be alive and enjoying so many blessings, shared with so many others.

YOUR OPINION

LCMC something rate in rural health care

To the editor:

Home Health Services of Lincoln County has been providing services to the residents for 21 years. We have worked closely with Lincoln County Medical Center during this time and have always found them to be responsive to the diverse needs of this county and its residents.

Lincoln County Medical Center's commitment to providing access to health care is strong. They bring specialists to us on a monthly basis. This is unheard of in rural healthcare.

The massive, rapid changes in health care will impact rural access to much needed health care services. This will affect us all.

We in this beautiful, but remote, mountain town need to recognize that a hospital that provides care to all, regardless of ability to pay, is a blessing! Just two years ago Lincoln County Medical Center was rated in the top 100 rural hospitals in the nation.

In 1996 they easily passed a difficult national accreditation survey. This heralds a well managed administrative hand as well as superior clinical care.

It is very easy to find fault with the current administration, but I suggest that we talk to people in similar areas under a for-profit hospital before we criticize.

I hear from my peers in tiny rural areas horror stories about admission and collection practices, and the care given in hospitals that are responsible to a for-profit board whose principle concern is the bottom line.

Verna Adams RN,BSN
Administrator
Home Health Services
of Lincoln County

Dick Weber
Board President

Leroy Goch's role far beyond that of coach

To the editor:

I was pleased to see that the paper treated the accom-

plishments of Leroy Goch in a long article. That it appeared on the sports page did not surprise me, since he had been deeply involved with golf since he retired. I do want to point out, however, that his influence on the people in this community extended far beyond this.

Leroy taught generations of school children how to play music. His enthusiasm was contagious, his patience a wonder to behold, and his ability to coax good music out of moderately talented students was positively amazing. I don't know how many golfers he taught, but the nature of golf teams limits the number of participants to only the most talented of the available pool of students (which was pretty small when he was teaching school). But the nature of bands is inclusive.

There was room for everybody from the fifth grade on up. If you wanted to play, he found a way — and an instrument — for you to play, and he kept you playing for as long as you wanted; usually for years.

Over his career as a band teacher, he had some really fine musicians, some of these became professionals themselves, performing and teaching. But even more important, he instilled the love of music into anyone he taught. Whether they themselves were talented, merely competent, or totally helpless, each one learned that music was both a joy and an art.

Not one of these people, I venture to say, has forgotten that the music they hear every day is the result of sustained human effort; they know what is involved in the performance, and they can appreciate its value. This is an immense achievement for them, and for Leroy, and it deserves to be remembered. I daresay that few individuals in this community have had so great an impact on so many lives on a daily basis. He will be missed, certainly, but he will be remembered, too, every time one of his students listens to music.

Carol Hubbard
Ruidoso Downs

YOUR OPINION



In Hong Kong, things don't always change

To the editor:
Watching Red China's robot-like Peoples Liberation Army troops goose stepping to the flag raising ceremony on their July 1 takeover of Hong Kong brought to mind the old proverb, "The more things change, the more they stay the same."

I still have vivid memories of pictures and news reels shots of Hitler's elite troops crossing borders as they "liberated" such defenseless countries as Poland, Austria, Czechoslovakia, just to name a few. This happened only a few months after Britain's then pacifist Prime Minister, Neville Chamberlain, returned triumphantly from Munich waving a treaty he signed with Hitler's cronies stating he had achieved "Peace in our time." The rest is history.

Now comes our President with his big push to continue granting Communist China, the worst human rights violator in history, the privilege of Most Favored Nation trade status, as American entrepreneurs rush to fill their coffers with cheap Chinese products at the expense of our own manufacturing sector and those of

our close allies. All the while China is the prime supplier of sophisticated weaponry to our declared enemies, Iran, Iraq and North Korea. China has already declared their intention of taking over Taiwan, one of our best friends and trading partners in that part of the world.

Those of us who are old enough to remember just prior to our involvement in World War II, American businessmen of that time made millions shipping scrap iron and steel to our then "friend," Japan. A good portion of it was delivered back to us by air at Pearl Harbor.

Yes, one might after careful

consideration, remember that "The more things change, the more they stay the same."

Emmett Downes
Alto

Concrete sign solution very welcome here

To the editor:
Regarding "Your Opinion" Bill Riggles of Ruidoso dated July 2. Yes, we know Tom Jones very well and yes, he did come to Ruidoso with a computerized sign-making machine which we purchased from him when he left town, and we are still making computerized signs, banners and etc. This might be one of the best kept secrets in Ruidoso.

We are referring to E.J. Enterprise Signs. We are very thankful that something concrete has been established on the banner question. We also thank all the people in Ruidoso responsible for bringing this to a satisfactory decision.

Erwin G. Foensing
Jeanette Foensing

For merchant freedom

To the editor:
Communication has been the prime mover in America

from 1776. That's why we are great. It's therefore proper and fitting that the merchant banner restriction is removed.

Rather than institute a "citizens oversight watchdog committee on codes and government," isn't it better to cooperate and "live and let live," we used to express that term so much in the 1970s.

Now we tend to be freaked-out by new rules almost weekly, and the "freaking" happens in government as well as in commerce and industry. Play fair and let the merchants make a living — without that government employees have no job, and we have no growth. Be nice.

Bill Rakoty
(ex-Ruidoso merchant)
El Paso, Texas

Crime, gambling and research

To the editor:

I have noticed with interest that you have an increase in crime in your community. The following may help you understand why the problem possibly exists.

Consider a study by the Wisconsin Policy Research Institute to see what happened in that state when casinos for blackjack and slot machines were introduced by Indians in a number of locations. After correcting for other factors, the study found that, in an analysis of 14 counties with casinos compared to the 13 adjacent counties that had no casinos, there was an increase between 1992-1994 in major crimes of 6.7% in those counties with casinos; burglaries showed

the greatest hike, at 13%.

Arrests for simple assault jumped 37.8%; stolen property, up 28.1%; drunk driving increased 13.9%; and drug possession went up 21.9%.

Thus, according to the study, there were some 5,200 more major crimes committed and 17,100 more offenses of a lesser nature due to the introduction of casinos.

States like to boast about how much revenue gambling brings in when it is made legal; less play is given to the additional costs associated with gambling, which, in this study, were pegged at almost \$61 million. This figure includes the losses incurred by the victims, as well as the added police, judicial, and prison expenses.

Darrell Witt
Sylmar, Calif.

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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.

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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.

BIG BROTHERS / BIG SISTERS TOURNAMENT A HUGE SUCCESS



A field of sixty-three players in thirteen teams competed for prizes and special contests in the Annual Golf Tournament benefiting Big Brothers/Big Sisters at The Links at Sierra Blanca on Wednesday, May 14. Sponsoring this event for a third year were the Ruidoso Board of Realtors, The Ruidoso News, and Farley's Food Fun & Pub. The tournament raised \$1,300 for Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Lincoln County.

The team of Don Hauech, Don Mann, Carolyn Carter, David Ware, Judy Branscum and Phil Doolio took first place with a score of 57 among the six "A" teams. Second place for "A" teams was taken by the team of Jimmy Sportsman, James Hobbs, Jack Waters and Mike Spurtock with a score of 62. Winning first place with a 63 scorecard playoff from the seven "B" teams was the team of Javier Valdez, Don Dutton, Michael Heard, Harvey Stanford and Mel Alexander. Second place for "B" teams was taken by the team of Roddy Taylor, Todd Fincher, Duane Sterling, J. F. Valenzuela, and J. Dominguez.

Winners of the Longest Drive contests on #2 were Javier Valdez and Joyce VanLandingham. Closest to the Pin on #8 was won by Don Dutton. Mike Heard won Closest to the Pin on #5. Winning Closest to the Pin on #11 were James Hobbs and Joyce VanLandingham, who also won Closest to the Pin on #17.

Special thanks is given to those organizations who contributed special contest prizes and door prizes: Regal Mortgage; Pioneer Savings Bank; Casa Mortgage; Museum of the Horse; Dan Fender Tire; Golf, Etc.; The Links at Sierra Blanca; Inn of the Mountain Gods; The Ruidoso News; and Farley's Food Fun & Pub. First Federal Savings Bank, Lincoln County Abstract & Title Co., GSV Title Services, Inc. and The Title Company contributed towards the post-tournament festivities at Farley's Food Fun & Pub.

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CELEBRATING THE

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Ruidoso style

- Top left, rodeo action took center stage for four days running at the Mescalero Arena, part of a long-standing Independence Day weekend tradition for the Mescalero Apache tribe and their many visitors.
- Left center row, country star Daron Norwood (right, pictured with a band member) lit up the stage Saturday at the Ruidoso Convention Center. Norwood was the headliner at the concert sponsored by Dean and Eddie Fowler and Win, Place & Show.
- Right center row, the July 4 parade in Capitan was a highlight of the expanded celebration that included concerts, barbecues and much neighborly visiting.
- Left bottom row, Mescalero had its parade too, with some outstanding floats featuring the celebration's theme, "The Year of the Child."
- Right bottom row, Barbara Eldredge took advantage of her sneak peek at the Ruidoso Downs Race Horse Hall of Fame Saturday night by slipping on the silks and goggles and getting a taste of what it's like to be on the inside of the starting gates. Barbara's dad, Museum Director Bruce Eldredge said 250 people showed up Saturday to see the new Hall of Fame, which opened to the public Sunday.



Staff photos by:

- Laura Clymer, top left
- Julie Baxter, near right
- Toni K. Laxson, far right
- Dianne Stallings, below left
- Julie Baxter, below right



Hubbard Foundation grants largest ENMU-Ruidoso scholarship

BY JULIE BAXTER
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Eastern New Mexico University-Ruidoso and the R.D. and Joan Dale Hubbard Foundation have teamed up to offer an exceptional scholarship to some exceptional students.

"There's a lot of scholarship help from the lottery for high school graduates, but there's nothing for the non-traditional students," said James Stoddard, executive director of the Hubbard Foundation.

Enter the \$1,200 Hubbard scholarship, renewable for up to four years provided students continue to make a grade point average of 3.0 while carrying 12 or more credits. But the award not only helps students who may have been out of school for more than a few years earn a two-year degree at ENMU-Ruidoso, but it also can pay for tuition, books and supplies for a bachelor's degree.

Whether the student chooses to earn that degree via instructional telecourses in Ruidoso or opts to attend ENMU-Portales, the scholarship offers a long-range financial solution.

ENMU-Ruidoso Director Jim Miller said the scholarship is unique in that regard. "It's significant for the school because of the design of this scholarship. It's really the first of its kind," he said.

Miller agreed that the students the money is targeted for is right on target.

"With lottery scholarships,



Accepting a scholarship check from the Hubbard Foundation is Dr. Jim Miller, director of ENMU-Ruidoso, left. James Stoddard, foundation director, did the honors.

aid for kids leaving high school is about to be solved. Now the Hubbard Foundation is stepping in to help those folks who aren't just out of high school," he said.

The Hubbard award is the largest ENMU-Ruidoso has to offer students. The intent is to reward dedicated adults who may not have the resources to attend college otherwise, Stoddard said. He said the Hubbards are entrepreneurs themselves and like to reward that spirit in others. "They are very excited about helping the non-traditional student who wants to help himself," he said.

The scholarship will not be

given away based on economic need or academic achievement, and that is just the way Stoddard said it should be. "The Hubbards want to reward people who will achieve... a person who's got drive, ability and desire."

And Miller thinks having a four-year scholarship available will pull one more obstacle out of those individuals' paths and clear their road to success.

"With a lot of people often their first question is 'how am I going to pay for a college education?' They make a lot of excuses," Miller said. "This eliminates the excuses."

With plans to give another scholarship next year and the year after for four years, while keeping the first recipient in books, supplies and class has both Stoddard and Miller looking to the future with high hopes.

But Miller is worried not enough prospective students are sharing that bright outlook. "A continuing problem is that we can't get enough people to apply for scholarships," he said.

He reminded prospective ENMU-Ruidoso students that the application deadline for all scholarships is Aug. 1.

Sixteen youngsters nabbed for alcohol possession at area teenage parties

On the last weekend of June, law enforcement officers apprehended 14 minors and two juveniles for possession of alcohol at teenage parties in the Ruidoso area, a state release said.

Checkmated

Operation "Checkmate," the project of a multi-agency task force, has targeted teen parties in Lincoln County for two months, resulting in numerous charges against teens and at least two adults, authorities said.

Members of the task force emphasize that minors drinking alcohol or in possession of alcohol do not have to be intoxicated or driving to be breaking the law.

Furthermore, officials say the blood-alcohol content for a minor to be considered legally intoxicated is .02% — just one beer for most youth. Anyone under the age of 21 is considered a minor in New Mexico.

Operation Checkmate, sponsored by the New Mexi-

co Department of Public Safety, also includes officers from the U.S. Forest Service Law Enforcement Division, the Lincoln County Sheriff's Department and the Ruidoso Police Department.

Concurrent with Operation Checkmate is a sting operation in which officers pose as clerks or customers in stores where alcohol is served.

Special party rules

Any adult purchasing alcohol for minors, or hosting a party, should be aware that New Mexico state law requires liquor stores to register beer keg sales and large quantity sales of alcohol, authorities said. These registrations are often useful tools to law enforcement officers in tracking down the adults who procure alcohol for minors.

Anyone wishing to report information about underage drinking may call Lincoln County Crimestoppers at (505) 257-4545.

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Firefighters and truck with the Glencoe-Palo Verde-San Patricio Volunteer Fire Department on part of the considerable territory covered by the department.

Volunteer firefighters provide protection in Hondo Valley, many neighboring areas

This is one of a continuing series about the fire departments within Lincoln County.

The Glencoe-Palo Verde-San Patricio Volunteer Fire Department is responsible for much of the Hondo Valley and its surrounding area.

These firefighters protect numerous homes, art galleries, historic homes and businesses.

They respond to fires from Eagle Creek on the north, to Mescalero Reservation to the

south, from San Patricio to the east, and Ruidoso Downs to the west.

Assistant Chief Godfrey Gomez said residents in the district are keenly aware of fire and the damage it can inflict.

Last year's Chino Wells fire on the Mescalero Reservation reminded residents of the need to create "defensible spaces" around their homes, firefighters said.

As a result of recent rains, brush has grown at a rapid rate and provided potential

fuel for fires, fire officials said. Valley residents who burn the brush have been informing the fire department of the controlled burns, Gomez said.

The main fire station is at Glencoe, where a new brush truck and a pumper truck are kept. Glencoe also has a substation at Agua Fria, which also has a pumper truck.

For more information about the department, call (505) 653-4457.

Cars targeted by thieves at popular kids' summer entertainment center

Break-ins lead to theft of purses from under seats

Thieves broke into five cars in the Funtrackers parking lot Friday and Saturday, taking purses but leaving other items of value, according to Ruidoso police reports.

The burglars targeted primarily vans parked at the recreational center, located at 101 Carrizo Canyon Road.

Even vehicles with tinted windows and purses tucked under the seats were broken into by thieves, according to police reports.

Detective Wolf Born said police believe the thieves may have been watching their victims as they left their cars.

Victims include a Texas woman whose van was broken into sometime between 6-7:24 p.m. Friday, police said.

Burglars got into Maria Blocker's van through the passenger side door, which was damaged near the lock with an object described in a later police report as a flat-blade screwdriver.

Thieves took a cellular telephone and Blocker's purse containing \$180, a checkbook and credit cards.

The next day her purse was recovered at the Ruidoso Post Office, according to reports.

Police do not know if the woman, who left Ruidoso Saturday, recovered any of the stolen items when she retrieved her purse.

A Lubbock woman had her purse stolen Saturday afternoon from the recreational center's parking lot. She had placed it under the driver's front seat of her 1997 Ford Explorer, which had tinted windows, police reports said.

She left her car from about 8-9 p.m. Saturday. When she came back out, she discovered the Ford's passenger door damaged and her purse stolen.

The thieves left a cellular telephone, a compact disk player and other items of value in the car, police reports said.

Three other burglaries happened in Funtrackers parking lot at the same time Saturday, from about 8-8 p.m.

A Midland man reported his wife's purse stolen from their 1996 Chevrolet van. Her purse, like the others, had been concealed under a car seat.

Burglars broke the driver's side window of Larry Foster's van rather than punching out a door lock, reports said. A cellular telephone inside the van was not taken, but a 35 mm

camera was. The purse contained \$120, a checkbook and credit cards, according to reports.

The fourth van to be broken into in the parking lot belongs to a Roswell man, police said.

A purse containing \$120, credit cards and a checkbook was taken. Thieves broke into Edward J. Lawrence's van by damaging the van's passenger door, according to reports.

Damage to Lawrence's Chevrolet Lumina van is estimated at \$100.

Nothing, not even a purse, apparently was taken from a Mazda belonging to a Carlsbad woman, police reports said. Patricia Elliot's car was broken into at Funtrackers' like most of the other burglaries.

Her car was damaged Saturday night, several hours after the four other burglaries had been reported.

Police reports do not say whether Elliot had left her purse in the car.

Her car had been broken into by having the lock on the driver's side door punched in by a tool that appeared to be a flat-blade screwdriver, according to police reports.

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Hanging on



Laura Clymer/Ruidoso News

This cowboy managed to stay aboard his ride during bull riding competition Friday at the Mescalero Rodeo. Cowboys and cowgirls competed for four days during the July Fourth holiday weekend. In the afternoon, they participated in the Mescalero Rodeo, while at night they competed in the Smokey Bear Stampede in Capitan.

All-Stars to shine on the Eagle Creek softball field

BY LAURA CLYMER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Ruidoso's best adult slo-pitch softball players take the field for an all-star doubleheader beginning at 7 p.m. today at Eagle Creek Sports Complex.

The festivities begin with Jennifer Lewicki's rendition of the "Star Spangled Banner" followed by the first pitch of the women's all-star game at 7 p.m., featuring a match-up between the American League All-Stars and the National League All-Stars. Then, the men's all-stars show their stuff at 8:30 p.m. Both games will be played on field B at Eagle Creek Sports Complex, located off Ski Run Road.

All-stars from the league-leading Bud Light Diamond Sals join selections from the Flamingos, Wild Things and Comic Relief to form the American League team. Sals coach James Stephens will manage the American All-Stars.

Representing the National League All-Stars are players from No Excuses, Gray Hawk, Seidel Shockwave and the Kelly Girls. Phil Townsend of No Excuses will coach the National All-Stars.

In the men's game, the American League All-Stars are players from league-leading Capitan Construction, the Nads, Extreme and the Eagles. They'll be coached by Capitan Construction's Terry Cox.

Joining forces for the National League All-Stars will be players from second-place Grizzlies, the Homeboys, Merchants, Chata and Ace's. Arnold Saenz will direct the National All-Stars.

Both games are slated to go the full seven innings. No run rule will be in effect. As selected by the players and coaches, an all-star crew of umpires will call the balls and strikes, the safes and outs. Umpiring the women's game will be Rick Silva, Dusty Cocchiola and

American League All-Stars Women

Claudia Branum, Diamond Sals
Laura Clymer, Diamond Sals
Vicki Eckerdt, Flamingos
Cristina Gorzales, Comic Relief
Sue Keeton, Diamond Sals
Francine LaMay, Flamingos
Jackie Lester, Wild Things
Saridy Parada, Diamond Sals
Michelle Payton, Comic Relief
Debbie Sanchez, Flamingos
Lisa Shaw, Diamond Sals
Jeri Smith, Wild Things
Kody Taylor, Diamond Sals

Coach: James Stephens of the Diamond Sals

National League All-Stars Women

Sandy Baca, Gray Hawk
Becca Fossuro, No Excuses
Becky Martinez, No Excuses
Julie Montoya, Gray Hawk
Patsy Page, Gray Hawk
Marie Ramirez, Kelly Girls
Sharon Saenz, No Excuses
Toby Sanchez, Seidel Shockwave
Kala Scarafioti, Gray Hawk
Jana Townsend, No Excuses
Louise Wilson, Seidel Shockwave
Teresa Woodard, Kelly Girls
Shannon Zumwalt, No Excuses

Coach: Phil Townsend of No Excuses

American All-Stars Men

Aaron Bell, Eagles
Keray Espinosa, Nads
Luis Figueroa, Jr., Eagles
Jody Fromknecht, Nads
Ernie Gallegos, Extreme
Scott Ingram, Nads
Ron Moore, Capitan Const.
Orin Nutting, Extreme
Troy Padilla, Capitan Const.
Rudy Saiz, Capitan Const.
Anthony Sanchez, Capitan Const.
Bobby Snowden, Capitan Const.
Kenny Trapp, Capitan Const.
Leroy Zamora, Extreme

Coach: Terry Cox of Capitan Const.

National League All-Stars Men

Wes Burk, Chata
Gerald Gomez, Grizzlies
Seigo Guero, Sr., Ace's
Keith Hendrickson, Grizzlies
Chris Hugar, Grizzlies
Bob Koehler, Merchants
Josh Lopez, Homeboys
Rooney Lopez, Homeboys
Rudy Lugo, Merchants
Ron Maes, Homeboys
Jim McGarvey, Merchants
Mike Payne, Homeboys
Rodney Pena, Grizzlies
Luke Saenz, Grizzlies

Coach: Arnold Saenz of the Grizzlies

Morris Paul. Calling the men's game will be Silva, Laura Clymer and Lisa Shaw.

The number of players from each team was determined by league standings through June 25. In the women's league, six selections went to the first-place team, five went to the second-place team, four went to the third-place team and three went to the fourth-place team. Two players each from the fifth through eighth place teams were allotted as well.

The men's breakdown was similar: first place, six all-stars; second place, five; third place, four; fourth, fifth and

sixth places, three each; seventh place, two and eighth and ninth places, one each.

Last year, the Ruidoso Parks and Recreation Department, the Ruidoso News, Coca Cola-Dr. Pepper Bottling of Alamogordo, Sierra Bank and Noisy Water Artwear teamed together to renew the all-star rivalry in celebration of the 10-year anniversary of the Eagle Creek softball diamonds.

The American All-Stars claimed a 15-8 victory over the Nationals in the women's game, while the National men edged the American All-Stars for a 4-3 decision in the night-cap.

Softball teams weather the heat

• Two of three Ruidoso entries return from the Girls Youth State Softball Tournament with trophies despite the raging Alamogordo sun.

BY LAURA CLYMER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Scorching sun and temperatures near the century mark failed to wilt the wills of Ruidoso's three girls slo-pitch softball teams that competed in Alamogordo Saturday and Sunday.

That's not say the Alamogordo heat didn't play a factor; it did most certainly. Still, Ruidoso girls returned from the Tularosa Basin with the third-place trophy for the 10 and under division and the consolation championship trophy for the 12 and under division.

Perhaps most affected by the sizzling temps were the Mountain Maniacs who had to play three games nearly back-to-back in the middle of the day Saturday.

"We were cursed with a hard schedule," Mountain Maniac coach Vicki Eckerdt said. "We had no time for a break to eat or to get out of the sun."

After beating the Hobbs Maniacs 15-5, the Ruidoso girls dropped two in a row. Fire and Ice from Hobbs downed the Ruidoso entry 15-13 and then the Maniacs fell to the Hobbs Panthers.

The Maniacs refused, however, to let the heat defeat them.

Eckerdt's team rallied to win its next two, pounding Alamo's Blazers, 15-4, and the Tigers from Alamo, 14-3.

To go with their 3-2 overall record and consolation crown, the Mountain Maniacs also returned with a first-place in the talent and dance contest held during the opening ceremonies Friday.

"We gained a lot of valuable tourney experience in the heat which we will need to compete in Lubbock at the world tournament," Eckerdt said.

"There's no guarantee at tournaments. Sometimes the ball bounces your way and sometimes not," Eckerdt said.

"You work just as hard for the losses as the wins, so we'll just keep playing and having a good time," she added.

The Ruidoso Cheats certainly had a good time, especially after bringing back a third-place trophy in the 10 and under division.

Tressa and John Ramos team started slow, losing its first game to the Hobbs Mariners, 13-4, and then falling to Alamo's Cheats, 13-10.

But the little ones rebounded with a come-from-behind win over the Clovis Sparks, 12-10, Sunday.

"Oh, that was so exciting. We had three home runs. Katie Cornado used everything she had and hit three home runs for us," Tressa Ramos said.

After falling to the Mustangs again, 21-5, the Chi-



Barb Randall for the Ruidoso News

Tressa Eckerdt concentrates while on the pitching mound for the Mountain Maniacs, Ruidoso's 12 and under girls softball team. In five games, Eckerdt walked only one batter while she and her teammates claimed the consolation championship at the Girls Youth Softball Tournament in Alamogordo.

cas played the Cheats for third place. The Ruidoso girls avenged the earlier defeat with a 14-5 victory.

"All of my girls did so well. They played with all their heart and soul. I'm so

proud of them. Nobody expected us to be playing for a trophy," Ramos said. "For being the first time they really did great."

Ruidoso's 16 and under team finished 1-2 overall.

► **PREP SPORTS**

Coaching couple leaves Ruidoso for California

• Ruidoso athletic director Les Carter begins his search for a boys varsity basketball coach and a girls varsity volleyball coach.

BY LAURA CLYMER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Ruidoso boys basketball coach Ben Sanchez and his wife, Jauna, the Warriors' volleyball coach, resigned from their teaching and coaching positions last week.

The couple has moved to California where Ben will teach and coach the varsity boys basketball program at a high school near Ontario, Calif. Jauna will teach in the same school system but not coach, Ruidoso athletic director Les Carter said Tuesday.

"The basic reason (they left) is that they wanted to get closer to her family," Carter added.

In two full years as head boys basketball coach, Ben Sanchez's teams posted a 20-29 overall record. Jauna Sanchez's volleyball teams compiled a 34-18 overall mark, including 1995 District 3AAA runner-up laurels and a 1995 third-place finish in the Class AAA State Volleyball Tournament.

Ruidoso School Superintendent Mike Gladden said the district posted the job openings as soon as it could last week on Tuesday or Wednesday.

Carter hopes to fill the positions as soon as possible. Volleyball practice for the girls officially opens in just over a month, Aug. 11.

"I believe we have some people who are qualified," said the Ruidoso athletic director.

"We want to get someone in place as soon as possible."

Carter said the Sanchezes and the district parted on good terms.

"Ben is going to be in a bigger school. They probably have over 2,000 students. It was an opportunity for him to advance," Carter said. "They did a good job when they were here. Both of them. We just believe that whoever we get will have the desire to continue improving the program."

Attracting good coaches and then getting them to stay is becoming more a chore for athletic directors, Carter said. More coaching jobs yield more opportunities for young coaches.

"When you have good, young coaches, naturally coaches are going to have the desire to move up and improve," he said.

A couple of names to fill the boys basketball position have surfaced already, including current Ruidoso girls basketball coach Dwayne Rogers.

New soccer head coach

In other coaching moves, Dave Anderson takes over the head boys soccer position from Sigurd Schmitz, whose teaching contract wasn't renewed.

Anderson served as assistant soccer coach last fall. He also serves as head girls and boys tennis coach for the Warriors.

Schmitz directed the Warriors to a 13-7 record, a district title and a fourth-place finish at the Class AAA State Soccer Tournament.

Beduinos Call avoids the field to claim Zia Futurity final laurels

By JOHN EASTWOOD
RUIDOSO DOWNS RACING DIRECTOR

Avoiding all the crashing that was taking place in his inside, Richard Shearer's Beduinos Call notched the third stakes win of his career Saturday with a half-length win over Kodachrome Bunny in the \$120,750 final of the Zia Futurity at Ruidoso Downs.

Breaking from post five in the field of nine, a field reduced from its original 10 with the late scratch of A Special Strait, Beduinos Call stumbled his first few of jumps out of the gate.

While rider Todd Fincher was busy getting the gelding into stride, Blow You Away, breaking from post four under G. R. Carter, was hugging in badly and bumped soundly with Aces Boss, who in turn slammed into Shezaconfederately.

Once in full stride Beduinos Call quickly sprinted clear of the field and, with a path cleared to his inside, came over as he shied from the Ruidoso Downs railbirds, just as he had done in two earlier starts at the mountain track.

After running straight and fast in his trial heat, in which he posted the second-fastest qualifying time, the talented Blane Wood-trainee reverted to his habit of hugging in as he sped down the straightaway.

"When I picked his head up the crowd was yelling and it just scared him to death," jockey Todd Fincher said. "He just went in real bad and I was doing all I could to keep him straight. But once I got over and we weren't bothering anyone I went ahead and laid down and let him run. He's just a super fast horse."

Blow You Away, who cleared out the inside for Beduinos Call, finished seventh but was disqualified for

his antics at the break and placed last.

The inside bumping was not the only incident in the Zia however. Aces N Cash, who finished third, was disqualified for interfering with several rivals as he crossed over coming down the straight.

A Special Strait, who was expected to vie for favoritism with Beduinos Call, was a late scratch. Shortly after the fastest qualifier left the paddock and stepped onto the track, jockey Joe Martinez stopped and turned the daughter of Strait To The Bank around and headed back to the paddock.

It was later determined that an abscessed hoof, which trainer Ben Torres had been treating for the past week, was still hampering the filly.

Runner-up Kodachrome Bunny, breaking from post nine, managed to avoid all of the contact in the roughly run Zia and ran a determined race under Alex Baldillez. But, the Tim Guidry-trained runner was the second-best 2-year-old in New Mexico on Saturday.

Streakin to victory

Running into a strong head wind, Tom Williams' and William Stradley's Nameh-mastreaker prevailed by a nose over Dont Leave Me Out to take the \$33,325 Zia Derby at Ruidoso Downs Sunday.

Surgin to a short lead with only 100 yards remaining in the 400-yard test, the Fred Danley-trainee then withstood another run from Dont Leave Me Out to prove best in the New Mexico-bred feature.

Dont Leave Me Out, the fastest qualifier to go postward in the Zia, went off as the third choice in the wagering and ran determinedly down the outside lane to just miss in a game effort. In third was second-favorite Tommies Better.

RACE RESULTS

Ruidoso Downs Results July 8, 1997

Race 1: Purse \$1800 3YOUP NW 97
120/122 Cms \$2500 550 Yd
7 - Dancing For Royals (A. Escareno) 5.40 4.40 4.00
8 - Tilted (K. Smallwood) 12.80 5.20
1 - Raging Dragon (Martinez) 3.40
Quin 7-8 51.60 Th 7-8-1 530.60
Winning Time :27.26

Race 2: Purse \$2500 MDN 2YO NMB
118 5 Fur
1A - Lavis Speedman (J. Gonzalez, II) 4.60 3.60 3.20
3 - Ramonway (B. Shipley) 3.00 3.00
1 - Oddsock (M. Fleeter) 4.60 2.60 3.20 DK
Quin 1-3 37.20 Th 1-3-2 37.20
Dbl 7/1 12.00 Dbl 7-7 5.40 Winning Time :10.04

Race 3: Purse \$1800 MDN F&M 3YOUP
116/121 5 1/2 Fur
5 - Saratoga Sh Rock (D. Sterling) 14.60 5.80 4.20
4 - Miss Cadet (L. Leib) 4.60 3.80
10 - Karen K. (J. Arbaugh) 4.60 3.80
Quin 5-4 32.20 Th 5-4-10 32.20
1st half Twin Effects: 18
Winning Time :10.54

Race 4: Purse \$1800 3YOUP NW 2
120/122 Cms \$4000 350 Yd
5 - Tan Your Hide (J. Martinez) 5.20 3.00 2.60
6 - Nancy Foyck (B. Perez) 4.60 3.00 2.60
8 - Arise (M. Fleeter) 4.60 3.00 2.60
Quin 5-6 7.00 Th 5-6-8 40.60
2nd half Twin Effects: No winners
T/In Carryover \$2041.65 Winning Time :17.91

Race 5: Purse \$1800 MDN 2YO 120
400 Yd
9 - Dancing Moonshine (G. Carter) 5.80 3.20 3.00
7 - Brandon Boy Special (A. Escareno) 5.20 2.80
6 - Beduinos Snip (B. Shipley) 6.60
Quin 9-7 54.600K Th 9-7-6 889.80
Ex 9-7 48.40 Winning Time :20.61

Race 6: Purse \$2000 3yooup NW 3
116/121 Cms \$5000 7 1/2 Fur
1 - Iron Soldier (G. Carter) 4.60 3.00 2.40
6 - Monsieur Magique (J. Martinez) 3.20 2.60
5 - Far East Ridge (J. Fierro) 3.20
Quin 1-6 7.00 Th 1-6-5 83.60
Winning Time :1:33.4

Race 7: \$10000 Grtd. Master Salls
Handicap 3YOUP 870 Yd
1 - Noblesse Six (D. Sterling) 5.00 7.00 3.40
1A - Ive Been Blessed (J. Rodriguez) 5.00 7.00 3.40
2 - Streakin Victory (K. Hart) 6.80
Quin 1-2 34.00 Th 1-2-3 335.80
Ex 1-2 55.20

Working Time :49.60
Race 8: Purse \$1800 4YOUP NW 5/23
121 Cms \$2500 6 Fur
5 - Luv To Fly (Fierro) 23.60 8.00 4.20
6 - Dramatic Blurr (J. Bombek) 8.60 4.80
2 - Leaf's Spy (D. Mitchell) 4.80
Quin 5-6 78.40 Th 5-6-2 2528.00
Tip 1-1-5 290.20 Winning Time :1:12.3

Attendance: 1,723 Handle: \$126,584
Ruidoso Downs Results July 8, 1997
Race 1: Purse \$1800 3YOUP 120/122
Cms \$3200 350 Yd
7 - Usual Suspect (J. Rodriguez) 19.60 7.60 4.80
8 - Hurry For On (G. Carter) 4.20 2.80
2 - Phil A. Dozen (A. Fleeter) 3.20
Quin 7-8 28.20 Th 7-8-2 202.80
Winning Time :17.79

Race 2: Purse \$2600 3YOUP NW 2 Alb
120/122 400 Yd
7 - Dead Heat - Only Game In (J. Rodriguez) 3.60 3.20 2.80
2 - 22.00 Dbl 7-7 42.00
9 - Dead Heat - Zany For Cash (T. Fincher) 2.80 3.00 2.40
6 - Power of Authority (J. Hunt) 2.80
Quin 7-9 7.60 Th 7-9-6 33.00 Th 9-7-8
22.00 Dbl 7-7 42.00 Winning Time :20.14 Dbl 7-9 42.00

Race 3: Purse \$1700 MDN 2YO
Cms \$1000 350 Yd
2 - Projectable (G. Carter) 3.60 2.80 2.60
8 - Every Day Hero (D. Mitchell) 2.80 2.80
9 - Dont Question Dooley (V. Smallwood) 4.80
Quin 2-8 6.80 Th 23.60 T/In
exchanges: 89 / Winning Time :17.92

Race 4: Purse \$1800 F&M 3YOUP NW
5/23 116/121 Cms \$2500 6 Fur
5 - Pops No Show (S. Sherbino) 26.40 12.00 6.60
2 - Classy Lincoln (C. Rivas) 4.20 3.80
7 - Southern Tracker (D. Mitchell) 4.20
Quin 5-2 91.60 Th 5-2-7 1095.60
T/In carryover: \$6322.95 Winning Time :1:13.2

Race 5: Purse \$2400 MDN 2YO NMB
120 Cms \$5000 350 Yd
9 - Wired To Run (J. Gonzalez, II) 3.80 3.00 2.60
4 - Glare (L. Swan) 5.00 3.80
7 - BG Bleu Blyou (T. Fincher) 2.80
Quin 9-4 18.60 Th 9-4-7 48.60
Ex 9-4 25.80 Winning Time :18.00

Race 6: Purse \$2500 MDN 3yooup
120/122 350 Yd
2 - Balbrador (A. Baldillez, Jr.) 12.40 4.60 4.00
4 - A Whirlwind Rising (S. Sherbino) 3.60 3.00
5 - Get On The Fiddle (B. Shipley) 3.80
Quin 3-7 14.40 Th 3-7-8 52.30

Quin 2-4 14.00 Th 2-4-5 222.20
Winning Time :17.03
Race 7: Purse \$1700 MDN 3YOUP
120/122 Cms \$5000 350 Yd
7 - Whirl Easy Flight (A. Escareno) 5.80 3.80 3.20
2 - Chargin The Charts (D. Rodriguez) 5.40 4.00
10 - Destiny Dash (J. Maldonado) 5.40
Quin 7-2 28.60 Th 7-2-10 337.20
Winning Time :18.01

Race 8: Purse \$2400 F&M 3YOUP
116/121 Cms \$3250 5 1/2 Fur
8 - Ladychick (C. Rivas) 7.20 4.40 3.60
2 - Betsy Goodie (J. Maldonado) 11.20 5.20
4 - Fonder Pass (H. Webb) 4.40
Quin 8-2 67.40 Th 856.00
Winning Time :105.2

Race 9: Purse \$2800 3YOUP NW 3
Alw 120/122 870 Yd
3 - JS Smash (A. Fleeter) 53.00 9.20 6.80
2 - Special Site (T. Fincher) 5.60 3.80
3 - GO Strakin Gamett (J. Maldonado) 3.60
Quin 3-2 37.40 Th 3-2-4 326.60
Ex 3-2 106.20 Winning Time :46.11

Race 10: Purse \$1700 3YOUP NW 2
116/121 Cms \$2500 7 1/2 Fur
1 - Songnumberben (V. Smallwood) 6.80 7.80 4.80
1A - Stack Of Roses (J. Maldonado) 9.80 7.80 4.80
2 - Versailles Park (T. Fincher) 4.20
Quin 1-2 15.80 Th 1-2-5 142.40
Tip 8-3 405.00 Winning Time :13.70

Attendance: 4,515 Handle: \$321,285
Ruidoso Downs Results July 8, 1997
Race 1: Purse \$2000 3YOUP 120/122
Cms \$5000 350 Yd
3 - Free Radin (T. Fincher) 22.00 7.80 4.00
5 - Western Magic (J. Martinez) 4.00 2.80
1 - Marys Dash To Fame (B. Shipley) 4.20
Quin 3-6 29.20 Th 3-6-1 554.60
Winning Time :17.95

Race 2: Purse \$1800 MDN 3YO 120
Cms \$5000 6 Fur
3 - Sippy Travis (C. Rivas) 9.60 3.80 2.80
1 - Pecos Preferred (B. Shipley) 4.20 3.60
2 - Nanchek (J. Martinez) 2.80
Quin 3-1 13.20 Th 3-1-2 45.20
Dbl 3-1 103.00 Winning Time :1:13.4

Race 3: Purse \$1800 MDN 2YO 120
350 Yd
3 - Tailor Fit (B. Shipley) 12.00 4.00 3.60
7 - Mr Eye In The Sky (G. Carter) 2.80 2.40
8 - Blazin To The Bank (J. Hunt) 4.00
Quin 3-7 14.40 Th 3-7-8 52.30

T/In exchanges: 57
Winning Time :17.77
Race 4: Purse \$1800 4YOUP 121/120
Cms \$2500 6 Fur
1 - Lard and Sals (S. Sherbino) 6.80 5.00 4.08
10 - Elegant Roman (B. Theford) 8.40 5.80
5 - Cowboy's Kid (B. Shipley) 4.20
Quin 1-10 45.60 Th 1-10-9 384.00
Winning Time :58.3

Race 5: Purse \$1800 MDN 2YO 120/11
350 Yd
6 - Am Buck Eye (G. Carter) 10.60 5.20 3.80
3 - JA Slidin Nine (L. Lyon) 14.40 8.60
1 - Will Keep The Change (J. Rodriguez) 10.60
Quin 6-3 105.00 Th 6-3-1 3197.00
Ex 6-3 267.00 Winning Time :18.05

Race 6: \$15000 added 2YO Zia Futurity
Condit NMB 120 350 Yd
5 - Lucky Cassia (T. Fincher) 12.60 5.20 4.60
8 - Tita So Shave (K. Hart) 4.80 3.60
7 - Completed Form (B. Perez) 6.80
Quin 5-8 38.00 Th 5-8-2 397.60
Winning Time :18.05

Race 7: Purse \$350 3YOUP NW 2/3
120/121 Cms \$5000 6 Fur
2 - Sweet Advice (K. Hart) 15.00 9.60 2.80
4 - Kelly Mergert (J. Rodriguez) 5.00 3.80
10 - Tinto Buns Dash (J. Martinez) 3.40
Quin 2-4 38.20 Th 2-4-10 157.80
Winning Time :15.89

Race 8: Purse \$3400 3YOUP NMB
116/121 Cms \$5000 6 Fur
2 - Bold Classy (J. Martinez) 4.00 2.20 2.10
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10 - Exclusive Casino (M. Fleeter) 4.60 4.00
1 - Scars and Stripes (T. Fincher) 6.80
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By BETTY DEBNAH

Summer Pests Are Buzzing I Spy Houseflies

It's summertime, and it's not hard to spy houseflies in or out of the house. Along with their close relatives, the mosquitoes, houseflies are buzzing.

These two are members of the same insect group. Members of this group have only two wings used for flying.

Their buzz can be annoying. Houseflies beat their wings as often as 200 times a second. Even worse, they spread disease.

While we don't like them, they do play an important part in the balance of nature. They help by eating other insects. Mosquitoes are food for birds.



Some scientists believe there might be 150,000 different species, or kinds, of flies. These include horse, fruit, flower and sand flies, gnats and tiny no-see-ums.

A close look at a housefly

- Two real wings for flying.** It can fly more than 4 miles per hour.
- Two smaller wings** keep it balanced while flying.
- Huge eyes** cover most of its head. Each eye has about 4,000 different lenses. This kind of eye is called a compound eye. Experts don't know what sort of image a fly might be seeing.
- Antennae** pick up smells and sense sounds and airway movements. It's hard to swat a fly because an enemy sneaking up changes the airflow, which the fly can sense.
- Hairs on its feet** help the fly taste food.
- A fly can walk on ceilings and on slippery surfaces.** Claws and sticky hairs at the end of its feet keep it from falling!
- Saliva:** The housefly begins digesting food by vomiting strong juices onto it. The juices turn the food to liquid. The fly then soaks it up with sponge-like lips.

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Disease

Flies carry many germs, or bacteria, that make people sick. A fly might land on a pile of dog poop, then go straight to your bowl of cereal. When flies clean themselves, they brush the germs onto your food.

In some countries, flies might carry dangerous diseases such as cholera or typhoid. In the United States, they are more likely to cause diseases such as diarrhea.

Life cycle

Houseflies, like many insects, go through a metamorphosis (met-uh-MORE-fuh-sus) process. This means they look and act completely different at each stage of their lives.

- Flies lay their eggs in manure, on dead animals or other decaying matter.
- In eight to 12 hours, the eggs hatch into larvae, or maggots.
- In about five days the larval skin hardens and turns brown. The larva enters the pupal stage.
- About five days later, the grown fly crawls out of the pupal shell.

During warm weather, the female might lay as many as 2,000 eggs during her lifespan of about 26 days.

MIGHTY FUNNY'S Mini Jokes

HOW DO RATTLESNAKES CALL HOME?
A: I don't know, but don't put it close to your ear!

POISON TO POISON!

Q: What do you get if you cross a vacuum cleaner with a telephone?
A: I don't know, but don't put it close to your ear!

Q: What do you get if you cross an elephant and a cactus?
A: The biggest porcupine in the world!

Rookie Cookie's Recipe

Cool Curry Dip

You'll need:

- 1/2 cup sour cream
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 1 1/2 teaspoons curry powder
- 1/2 teaspoon garlic salt
- dash of cayenne pepper

What to do:

- Combine all ingredients in a bowl. Mix well. Refrigerate several hours.
- Serve with crackers or cut-up vegetables such as carrots, broccoli, squash, mushrooms, cauliflower or any others you like.

Makes about 1 cup.

Getting to Know the Mosquito

A closer look

Mosquitoes hear and smell with their antennae. Tiny hairs on their antennae pick up any changes in airflow.

Male mosquitoes can tell when a female is near by "hearing" the beat of her wings. Female wings create different air waves than male wings. When we hear a mosquito buzzing, we are probably hearing the female. Males don't drink blood, so they are probably not around you.

The female's wings beat at a higher pitch than the male's. She beats her wings hundreds of times a second, making the familiar whine.

Mosquito legs are long and skinny.

The mosquito's proboscis is a hollow tube with sharp points at the end. The female mosquito jabs the proboscis into an animal's or person's skin, and then sucks out the blood.

There are at least 3,300 different kinds, or species, of mosquitoes. There are about 150 types just in the United States alone.

Life cycle

- Many mosquitoes lay their eggs in water.
- Eggs hatch into larvae. To get air, wormlike larvae move back and forth between the bottom and top of the water. The larvae are called "wigglers" because they move around so much.
- Each wiggler changes into a pupa. Its head and chest curl into a ball. Pupae usually float near the surface of the water. They swim by rolling through the water, and are called "tumbler."
- The adult mosquito comes out of the pupa shell. It waits for its wings to harden, then flies away.

Yellow Fever

Yellow fever can damage the liver, causing people's skin to turn yellow. It causes horrible deaths.

Many experts believe that yellow fever wiped out much of Columbus' crew during his second trip to the New World in 1495.

Between 1596 and 1900, at least 90 yellow fever epidemics struck in some areas of what is now the United States.

In 1793, an epidemic hit Philadelphia, which was then the U.S. capital. About 5,000 people, 10 percent of the population, died. Half the people, including President George Washington, fled the city. Records show there was an especially large mosquito problem that year. But people back then did not realize that mosquitoes were causing the disease.

Dr. Walter Reed, a U.S. Army surgeon, proved that a mosquito carried the tiny organisms causing yellow fever.

TRY 'N FIND INSECTS

Words that remind us of flies and mosquitoes are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward or diagonally. See if you can find: MOSQUITO, FLY, WINGS, BUZZING, EGGS, BITING, ANTENNAE, EYES, LENSES, JUICES, SUCK, GERMS, VIRUSES, MAGGOTS, WATER, BLOOD, BITE, INSECT, HAIRS.

I HATE MOSQUITOES!

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Mini Spy

Mini Spy and Rookie Cookie are being pestered by flies and mosquitoes. See if you can find:

- letter A
- Jadie
- pencil
- word MINI
- bell
- letter Z
- safety pin
- kite
- sailboat
- one dice
- mushroom
- alligator
- number 3

The Mini Page thanks Nathan Erwin, O. Orin Insect Zoo, and Jim Peacor of the Entomology Department, National Museum of Natural History, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C., for help with this issue.

Look through your newspaper and find pictures of things that might attract flies.

Next week explore our country's beautiful and important lighthouses.

RUIDOSO POLICE

Purse cut from arm

A street robber came up behind a woman getting into her car last week, cut the strap to her purse and ran off, Ruidoso police said.

Jan K. Waffel of Ruidoso Downs, told police she was in the parking lot at the Golden West Pawn and Sales on U.S. Highway 70 when she was robbed of her purse.

The robbery happened shortly after 11 a.m. on Wednesday, July 2, according to police reports. She told police the robber ran off behind Chilero's, a nearby restaurant.

Her purse was found the next day inside a dumpster in the Honda Valley area, reportedly dropped off by someone in a maroon van, police said.

Midday car burglary

A Texas man was across the street from his pickup truck Saturday afternoon when a thief broke out a truck window and stole a purse, police said.

John Walker's 1998 Dodge Ram was parked at the corner of Sudderth and Country Club drives on the edge of the Mid-Town area.

Walker was away from his truck for about an hour returning at 1:45 p.m. to find the driver's side window to his truck had been broken.

Because of damage to the door itself, police believe the thief tried to force the door open first. The thief took only the purse, valued at \$50, leaving behind a cellular telephone in the truck, police said.

Primary school hit

Fifty dollars was stolen and several windows broken when the Sierra Vista Primary School was broken into last week, police reports said.

Danny Flores, principal, told police someone apparently broke into the school sometime during the night of Thursday, July 3, through a window in the teachers' lounge.

The burglar broke another window to get into the main office, where file cabinets had been pried open and a vault was found open.

A pouch containing \$50 in one of the file drawers had been emptied, police said.

Other damage to the school, located at 199 White Mountain Road, included damage to Flores' office door, another broken window and a desk damaged in one of the classrooms.

Church windows broken

Rock-throwing vandals broke several windows at the First Baptist Church on Mechem Drive last week, police said.

Dean Whitaker, youth minister at the church, told police a church janitor arrived at the building at 7 a.m. Thursday, July 3, to find four windows had been broken, including two of the milk-glass windows at the front of the church. More windows to the church nursery were also broken. A nearby youth center had been broken into through another broken window, police said. Sodas and potato chips were taken from the youth center, where potato chips were scattered across the floor.

The cost of replacing the broken windows is estimated at \$1,000, reports said.

VCR, stereo taken

Burglars removed a VCR, a stereo and clothes from the vacation home of a Roswell man in the 100 block of Candlewood Drive, police reports said.

The thefts happened sometime between June 30 and Sunday, July 6, when the burglary was reported.

The burglars apparently entered the home through the front door, police said. Homeowner James says the burglars had glass shatters a lady's hair.

Cocaine in wallet

Two Ruidoso police officers were picking up a man on outstanding battery charges Sunday morning when they found cocaine in his wallet, police reports said.

Officer Ignacio Lopez said he and another officer went to a home in the 300 block of S. Evergreen Road to arrest Victor Gonzalez on aggravated battery charges. The officers followed the 26-year-old Ruidoso man into a bedroom so he could put on some shoes.

Lopez, who noticed Gonzalez's wallet on a dresser, asked him for some identification, and was told by Gonzalez to look in the wallet, Lopez said in his report.

When he looked in the wallet, he found a folded paper packet containing a powdery substance, which was later confirmed as cocaine, Gonzalez told the officers a man had given him the packet the night before. Police have charged Gonzalez with possession of a controlled substance.

Homes broken into

Nothing has been reported missing from one burglarized home in the 200 block of Scenic Drive, police said.

The owner of the house, a Fort Worth woman, said she found the front door of her home open and front window broken when she arrived at the house on Wednesday, July 2.

Three days later, a Las Cruces man was walking behind his neighbor's home in the 200 block of Scenic Drive when he noticed a sliding glass door had been broken out, police said.

Nothing appeared to be missing from the home, but a package in one of the bedrooms had been thrown on the floor and apparently rummaged through, reports said.

Burglary on Warwick

Neighbors of a condominium in the 100 block of Warwick Drive told police last week a window at the home had been broken out, reports said.

Claire Brockman of Ruidoso told police Thursday, July 3, she didn't know how long the window had been broken. She said the owner lives in Midland, Texas, and had not been there for some time, reports said.

Though police did not know if anything was missing, a television set had not been taken from the home. The house was clean except for one unmade bed.

Wallet snatched

A woman left her wallet on a bag of groceries inside the Cree Meadows restaurant Saturday evening, went outside to get more groceries and returned to find the wallet gone, police reports said.

Marlene Bell, manager of the Cree Meadows restaurant at 301 Country Club Drive, told police the wallet contained \$92, a checkbook and credit cards.

Shoplifter passes up jeans for boots

A man reportedly walked out of a store Saturday morning with a \$100 pair of cowboy boots, according to police reports.

Hilda Ortega, owner of the Horseshoe Western Wear store, told police she discovered the theft after finding a pair of hiking boots in a dressing room. The man tried on a pair of jeans and purchased the store before leaving the store at about 10:30 a.m. Saturday.

Ortega said tape from a store camera showed the man walking in with the hiking boots and walking out with cowboy boots.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

MUSIC

Weed Bluegrass Festival
Friday through Sunday, July 18-20, in the Weed Community Building downtown Weed. Festival times: Friday, 7-10 p.m., admission \$3 single, \$5 couples and \$7.50 families; Saturday, 10 a.m.-10 p.m., admission \$5 single, \$7.50 couples and \$10 families; Sunday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Services by Pastor Dave Natz with gospel music to follow. For more information and a listing of performers scheduled to appear call (505) 748-9351 or (505) 687-3648.

Cree Meadows Country Club
Live music Thursday to Saturday nights. The club is located at 301 Country Club Drive, Ruidoso, 257-2733.

El Horn 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, 257-4391.

Galloping Tortoise
7-7 Fridays, "Gen X" night. Listen to your CDs and play board games. From 7 to 9 p.m. Saturdays, live music for singles and couples. From 6 to 9 p.m. Sundays, Randy Jones and friends play rock 'n' roll, country and blues. Deli food, ice cream and cappuccino available. The coffeehouse is located at 662 Sudderth, Ruidoso, 257-2511.

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

In-Espresso-Ble Coffee House
8 p.m. Friday, July 4, open mike and blues jam. 8 p.m. Saturday, July 5, live music. The coffee house is located at 2111 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, 257-0634.

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 vibraphone for Sunday brunch noon-3 p.m. Apache Tea: 6-10 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday until July 19, Tomas Vigil.

Marie Laveaux Nightclub
Live music Friday and Saturday nights. The nightclub is located at 1214 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso, 258-3764.

Mescalero Nightclub
8 p.m.-close Friday and Saturday dance music with DJ. The nightclub is located 1 mile north of the Inn of the Mountain Gods, next to Cafe Mescalero, 257-6695.

Screaming Eagle Lounge
8:30 p.m.-1:30 a.m. Wednesday to Sunday Weazel's back!! 7 p.m. The lounge is located in the Enchantment Inn, Hwy. 70 W., Ruidoso, 378-4051.

The Texas House
7-11 p.m. Wednesdays, Will Kelso plays tunes for you. Various artists perform 7-11 p.m. every Friday and Saturday. Open 24 hours on weekends. The restaurant is located at 2811 Sudderth, Ruidoso, 257-3506.

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, 257-9982.

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

Bridge Tournament
July 11-13, at the Ruidoso Civic Event Center. Ruidoso "Christmas in July" sectional bridge tournament sponsored by Unit 388 of the American Contract Bridge League. For more information call 257-8360.

Gateway Church of Christ
Wednesday Bible School 8:30 a.m. Monday to Thursday, July 14-17 at the Gateway Church of Christ, 415 Sudderth, Ruidoso.

Business After Hours
The Links of Sierra Blanca 7 p.m. Thursday, July 17, at the golf course on Mechem Drive in Ruidoso.

Spay/Neuter Assistance for Your Pet
The Lincoln County Humane Society is offering assistance with the cost of spaying or neutering your pet. If you are a resident of Lincoln County and on a fixed income or low income, please call Jim or Sandra for more information at 257-9841.

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

clubs/meetings

Women's Network
11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Wednesday, July 9, at the Galloping Tortoise, 662 Sudderth Drive (across from Cante Bero). Lunch cost: \$8.25. RSVP: 257-6839.

United Way of Lincoln County Campaign Committee Meeting
7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 10, at the

Texas-New Mexico Power Company building. All interested in becoming involved in the United Way are invited to attend.

Royce Club
8 p.m. 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month at Rocky Mountain Sports, 1103 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso. This club intends to promote all forms of cycling, road or mountain, for all age groups and riding abilities. For further information call 258-9224.

Experimental Aviators Association
The FAA is seeking interested aviators for a local chapter to be formed. Anyone interested should contact Andy at 354-2610.

library

Rural Bookmobile East
New Mexico State Library

Stop at the following locations: Tuesday, 10 a.m.-6:30 p.m., Carrizo Canyon, Carrizo, 257-5141; Wednesday, July 16, 10 a.m.-6:30 p.m., Nogal, P.O.; Thursday, July 17, 10 a.m.-6:30 p.m., Lincoln, P.O.; 9:30-5 p.m. Friday, July 18, 10 a.m.-6:30 p.m., Carrizo Canyon, Carrizo, 257-5141; Saturday, July 19, 10 a.m.-6:30 p.m., Carrizo Canyon, Carrizo, 257-5141. For more information call 505-461-1206.

Ruidoso Public Library
Summer Activities

Scholarship Book Fair: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. now through Saturday, July 12. Pet show: 9 a.m. Saturday, July 12 for boys and girls of all ages and their pets. Sign ups start July 7. Preschool Story Hour: 2-3 p.m. on Wednesdays and 10-11 a.m. Thursdays. Fun for 3- to 6-year-olds, no sign-ups and it's free. Read the 7 Seas: through Friday, August 1. Children will keep a record of the time they spend reading and then return the record to fish for a surprise. All active readers will earn an invitation to a Beach Party at the Ruidoso swimming pool on Thursday, Aug. 5.

theater

GRMS, RIV VU
8 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, July 17-19, 24-26, 31-Aug. 2 and Aug. 7-9. Presented by the Ruidoso Little Theatre at The Castle, Hwy. 70, Ruidoso. A man and a woman, each married to other people, are accidentally locked in a vacant apartment. Tickets are \$7 for adults, \$5 for students and seniors.

museums/galleries

Little Creek Pottery Open House
10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, July 12-13. Larry Davidson welcomes the public to an open house. Go north from Ruidoso on Hwy. 48, turn on to Airport Rd and follow the pink markers to the pottery. For more information or directions call 336-7739.

The Montano Store
Hwy. 980, Lincoln, (505) 653-4372. Featuring the newly renovated store and temporary exhibits highlighting the Montano family, Hispanic contributions to the area and adobe architecture. Hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday to Sunday. Admission fee included in the \$5 daily pass which can be purchased at the Court House or the Lincoln County Heritage Trust at either end of town.

New Mexico Churches
Tapestry and Retablos
Lincoln County Heritage Trust, Lincoln, (505) 653-4372. Featuring local artists Polly E. Chavez of Carrizo and Bob Scrimmer of Alto. Admission fee included in the \$5 daily pass which can be purchased at the Court House or the Lincoln County Heritage Trust at either end of town. Hours: 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. every day.

Benton Fine Art
1208 Hwy. 59/70, Alamogordo, 257-2813. The gallery is featuring the work of Ruidoso artist Louise Baratt as well as new work by contemporary Southwest artists Wm. Warder, David Salter, Jim Boyer, Kenry McKenna, Jean Sanders, John Hopkins, Alfred H. Jones, Lauren Knode, Gary Meyers, Curt Bole, Wayne Balze, Ben Stanton, Tom Stewart, Phillip Froehbeier and Bob Scrimmer. The gallery also specializes in the work of deceased Southwest artists Margaret Dixon, Ed Boren, Ed Boren, Jimmy Swinnerford, Hermano Villa, Albert Groll, Clyde Forsythe, Hanson, Hubert, Rod Goebel and many others. For more information call 257-2813.

White Mountain Pottery Studio
2328 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso - midtown. Lincoln county's largest selection of local pottery. Featuring Tim Wierwille's landscaped series, Will and Johanna DeMay, Chris Heede, Larry Davidson, Vicki Conley, by Herman, Alan Butler and Bill Campbell. A collection of talented clay artists. For further information and gallery hours call 257-3644.

parks/recreation

Kids Golf Clinic
8:30 a.m. Monday through Friday, July 14-18 at the Cree Meadows Country Club, Country Club Drive, Ruidoso. Cost is \$35 per student. To register call 257-5815.

Kids Tennis Camp
8-10 a.m. every Thursday, Friday and Saturday at the Inn of the Mountain Gods, Carrizo Canyon Road, Mescalero. Basic drilling, shot progression, court rules and scoring will be taught. Cost is \$15 per child, per week. Call Glen Kennedy, head pro for information at 257-5141, ext. 7425.

Request Club
Inn of the Mountain Gods, Carrizo Canyon Road, Mescalero. Saturday adult development classes: women, 10-11:30 a.m.; men, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Cost is \$7 per person, includes lunch. Challenge courts available 8:30-11:30 a.m. Saturday and Sunday for a \$10 fee. For information



Dianne Stallings/Ruidoso News

The Art Loop tour through Lincoln County the coming weekend will include the sculpture studio of Pamela Topper in Nogal. The entire tour also includes galleries and studios in Carrizozo, Capitan, Lincoln and the Honda and Ruidoso valleys. For more information or to obtain a map in advance call (505) 354-2010 or (505) 354-2676.

through Saturday. For more information call 257-1056.

McGarry Studios and Expressions in Bronze Gallery
2002 Sudderth, Ruidoso, 257-3790, 257-3824. Dave McGarry's polished facility features a finishing studio and a gallery which showcases a two-decade retrospective collection of his "Images in Bronze." 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. "Saddle Up!" exhibition now through Oct. 14. See saddles of generals G. S. Patton, "Black Jack" Pershing, Santa Anna, and W. T. Sherman. Also see saddles of "Buffalo Bill" Cody, Annie Oakley, The Cisco Kid and Pancho, including Cassidy and 65 more. Museum hours: 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m. daily.

New Mexico Museum of Natural History and Science
10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, July 12-13, Martian meteorite on display. This is part of the "Back to Mars" exhibit on display through August. Museum hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m. daily. The museum is located at 1801 Mountain Road NW, Albuquerque, (505) 841-2800.

Quemada Studio and Gallery
2415 Sudderth Dr., #3, Ruidoso, 257-5743. Located at LeClair'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) 354-4206 - The Loggs are woodworkers who design and create a variety of functional artworks, including doors, screens and lamps. Gallery hours are by appointment and Saturday 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

UNM Maxwell Museum of Anthropology
10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, July 12, "Eye Dazzlers," an exhibit featuring a selection of vividly colored and patterned late 19th century Navajo weavings. Held in conjunction with a companion exhibit by the same name at the University Art Museum featuring late 19th-mid 20th century paintings. Old Town location: San Felipe Plaza, 2031 Mountain Rd. NW, Albuquerque; UNM location: University Blvd., just north of Martin Luther King, Jr. Ave, Albuquerque. For more information on events call (505) 277-5963.

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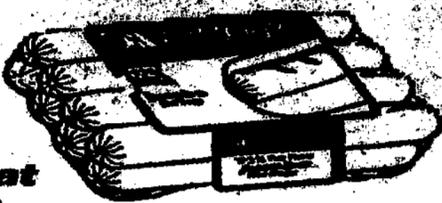
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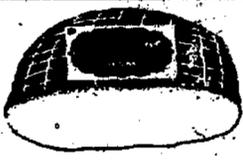


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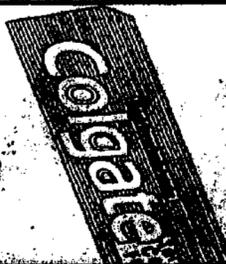
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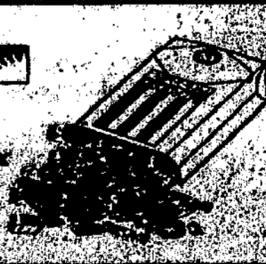
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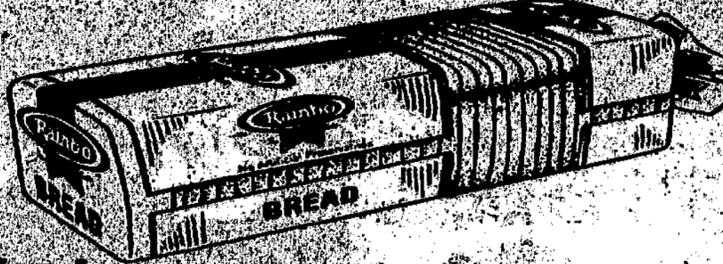
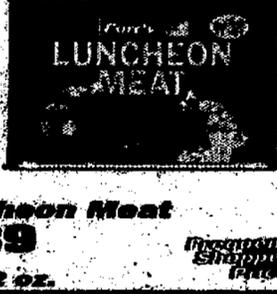
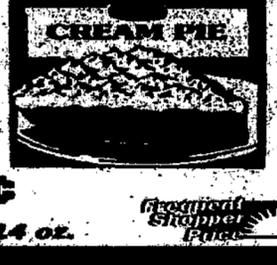
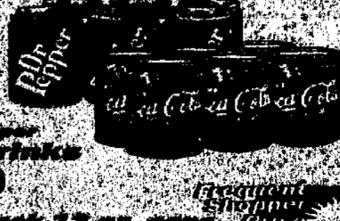
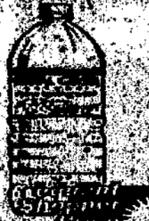
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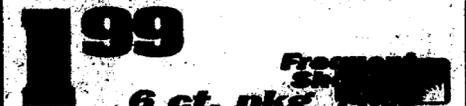
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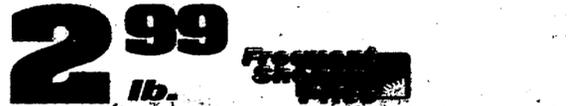


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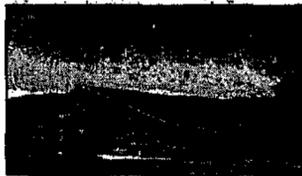


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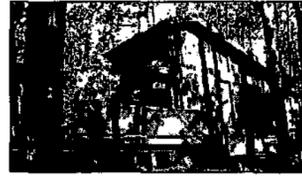


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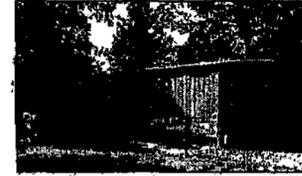
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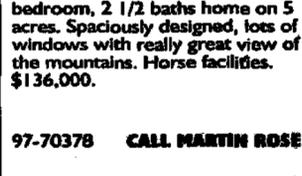
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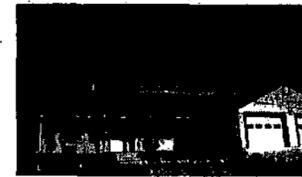
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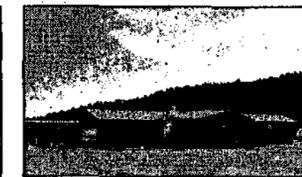
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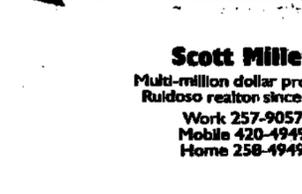
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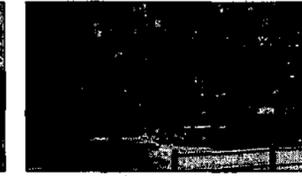
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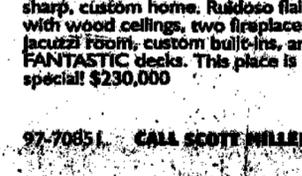
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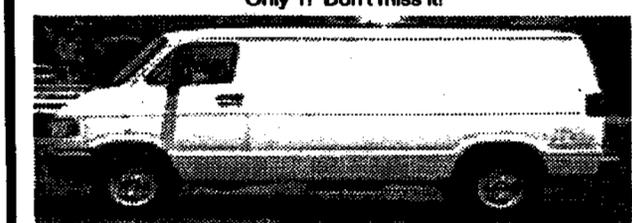
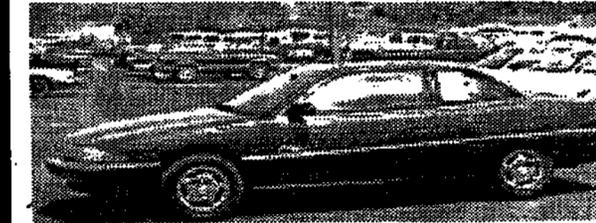
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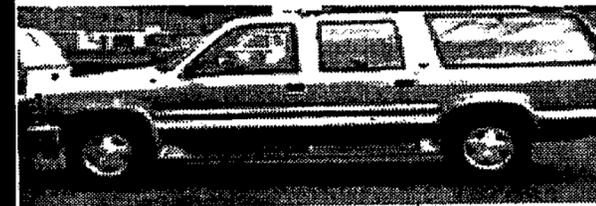
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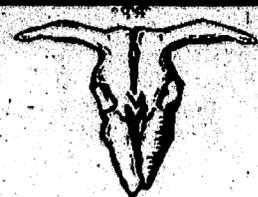
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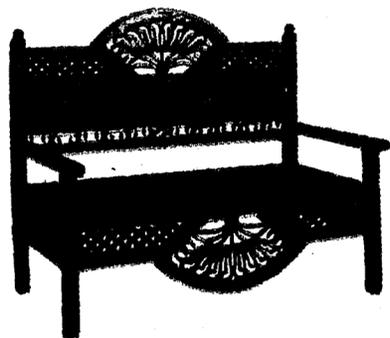
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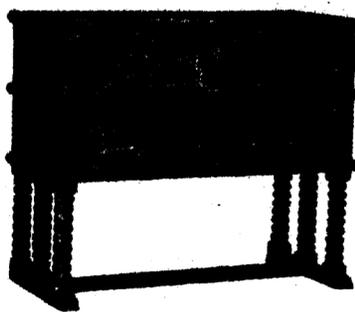
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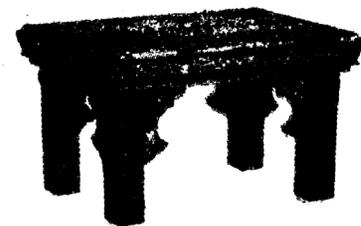
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