



Council proposes teen center

Community support key to total project

• The center will be between the village tennis courts and swimming pool off of Sudderth Drive and may be built by spring, mayor says.

BY TONI K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Testing the waters of community support, the Ruidoso Village Council Tuesday said a teen center will be built at Schoolhouse Park.

"We are going to underwrite what we can't get (from the community)," Ruidoso Mayor Robert Donaldson said prior to the Tuesday council session. "Our hope is that we don't even have to come up with the money."

With the council's blessing, Donaldson is putting together a steering committee assigned to seek donations of services, materials and money for the center. As of Wednesday, Donaldson had named Mary Austin and Joe Zagone to the committee.

Responding to a question from Councilor Bob Sterchi about how much money the village would spend, Donaldson said the steering committee will determine the construction budget.

Village councilors backed Donaldson's proposal to build the teen center, which he described as both an experiment to see if community donations materialized, and as a first step towards meeting the needs of local youth.

"A giant community center with an indoor swimming pool would be nice, but it's just not attainable right now," Donaldson said earlier.

What is attainable now, he said at the council meeting, is a building, possibly with a modular frame, of from 1,500 to 3,000 square feet. It could be located in the area between the village swimming pool and tennis courts at the park. And it could be finished by spring, if not sooner, he said.

The center would be rectangular in shape and include an office and handicap accessible bathrooms, Donaldson said.

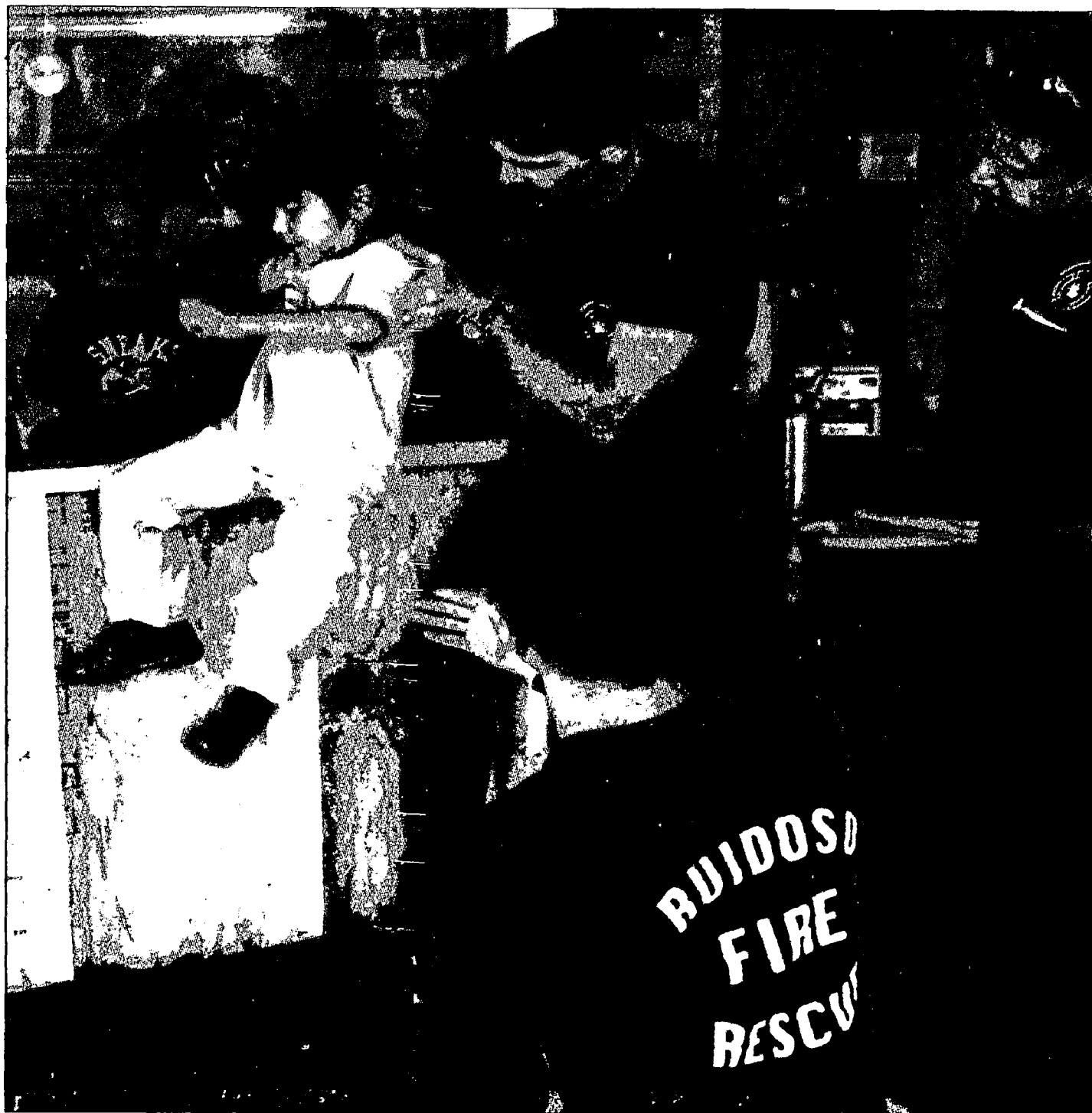
After that, it would be up to teens to say what is done with the center, he said. For it to be a success, the center has to be based on what teens actually want and not on what adults think teens want.

"It has got to be driven by the kids," Donaldson said.

Councilor Bill Chance asked what would be done if the center was not a success. Donaldson said the building could be used by the village for another purpose. Chance also mentioned the possibility of tapping into the YMCA organization for help.

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The Great Escape



Ruidoso firefighters assist kindergartners and preschool students through a window during a field trip to the fire station on White Mountain Drive. The Ruidoso Fire Department is providing hands-on training to school children at the station all this month. The theme of the field trips is: Fire Drills: The Great Escape. Children learn about calling 911, crawling through station smoke and other fire safety factors.

'Mooooove out of the way'

Encounters between livestock and vehicles on a highway could prove to be fatal

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

An 18-wheeler hit a cow on U.S. 54 about 11 miles north of Carrizozo Thursday morning, killing the animal and disabling the semi-truck.

The accident is the most recent example of what can happen when livestock meet vehicles on the roads of Lincoln County. Drivers, especially those on the roads early in the morning, at dusk or dark, should slow down. A slower speed and awareness could save their cars and their lives, law enforcement officials say.

The sheriff's office receives at

least one report of livestock on the road about every two to three days, Sheriff Tom Sullivan said.

New Mexico State Police officers last year responded to about a dozen accidents involving livestock in the Lincoln-Otero County area, said Lieutenant William Bower, who supervises the district. Deer and elk are even more of a problem, he said.

"With deer and elk, we get almost daily hits," Bower said. "Last year, we had about 200. We probably kill more deer (with cars) than the hunters do."

The road that cuts up from U.S. 70 to Cloudcroft (State Highway 244)

is one of the worst for encountering cattle.

"If you're driving that route, you can count on cattle being on the road," he said. "I chased a couple off the day before yesterday."

When state officers find cattle on the road, their first thought is to get them off the thoroughfare, not trying to find the owner, he said. Usually, nothing happens to the rancher.

"The problem is trying to prove there was negligence on the part of the rancher," Bower said. "If they left a gate open or something along those

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Hondo school break-ins to bring security system

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
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After five break-ins over the past year at the Hondo school complex on U.S. 70, Superintendent Barbara Casey has had it.

She's getting an estimate for the installation of a security system.

This time the thief did \$8,000 in damage, breaking windows, doors and computers, in addition to taking several items.

"I believe it is someone who already is out of school," Casey said. "I think whoever came in was extremely angry at the school or someone specific in the school. I don't know who."

The damage occurred in the elementary classrooms, she said. Four doors were broken, computers were

damages in six classrooms and a large window used to gain entry into the school was shattered. A set of inner and outer doors also was damaged, Casey said.

The Hondo High School Crime Stoppers is offering a \$100 reward for information that leads to the arrest and conviction of someone for the crime, she said.

The break-in apparently occurred overnight on Thursday, Oct. 2. The small district of 160 students conducts classes Monday through Thursday. Friday the school is closed.

Lincoln County Sheriff Tom Sullivan is optimistic that his office will make an arrest next week on the case.

"We have a suspect and I think we'll be able to tie this in to the previous incidents," he said Thursday.

Midtown stop lights may get a green light

• Following a pedestrian accident Sunday, the state may be more flexible regarding a village request for two additional stoplights in midtown.

BY TONI K. LAXSON
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State highway officials this week assured Ruidoso village leaders of more cooperation from the department regarding efforts to put two additional traffic signals in midtown, Village Manager Alan Briley said recently.

Currently, there is a stoplight at Eagle and Sudderth drives. After a woman was struck and killed while crossing Sudderth this spring, Ruidoso Mayor Robert Donaldson initiated a move to put stoplights at Country Club Drive and Center Street, saying crosswalks aren't enough to ensure the safety of pedestrians in midtown.

The state highway department last week responded to the village's

request by approving the two additional stoplights, provided the light at Eagle is removed, Briley told Ruidoso village councilors on Tuesday.

"We said that is not acceptable," Briley said.

On Sunday, an 85-year-old Colorado woman was struck by a car while crossing a midtown street. The woman spent a day in the hospital for a head injury and was released, according to police.

Since that recent accident, village leaders have again talked with highway officials about the stop lights and received a different message.

"My understanding is that the highway department is going to be working with us in any way possible," Briley said.

Mohammad Moabed, district engineer with the New Mexico Highway and Transportation Department, attended the Tuesday council meeting and said the additional traffic signals would probably not reduce the number of traffic accidents,

but "it will reduce the number of pedestrian accidents."

Even though the village has offered to pay for the two signal lights, estimated to cost \$200,000 each, the state must approve the lights before they may be installed because Sudderth is a state highway.

If the traffic lights are built, the village would like permission to turn them over to the state highway department for maintenance, Briley has said.

The lights would be synchronized with the existing light signal at Eagle Drive.

Briley, talking about the Sunday accident, told the council that it probably would have occurred even if a stoplight had been at the street where it occurred.

The driver of the truck that hit the woman told police he could not see because the sun was shining in his eyes.

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RUIDOSO'S THREE-DAY WEATHER OUTLOOK

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Low ... 32



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SATURDAY High ... 67
Low ... 33



Partly cloudy

MONDAY High ... 69
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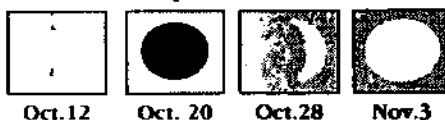
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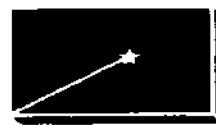
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Carrizozo about 1914.

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The Lady Godiva is going to erect a mill for the purpose of treating its own ores. With its own assay office, mill, and water supply, the property will be on a producing basis which will insure its permanent operation.

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Capitan-Carrizozo Natural Gas sues Zia in state district court

A battle over natural gas supply services escalated recently between Capitan-Carrizozo Natural Gas and Zia Natural Gas.

The municipal service operated by the two villages sued Zia in Lincoln County District Court, asking that a four-inch line the municipal service sold to the larger utility in 1992 be condemned to allow the villages to buy it back.

At the same time, Zia has filed for an amendment to a previous New Mexico Public Utility

Commission order that would allow it to serve three of the municipal company's largest customers: the Capitan School District, Fort Stanton Women's Prison and Ranches of Sonterra, according to Anastasia Stevens, PUC counsel.

No date has been set by hearings officer Bill Herman to consider Zia's request to amend its certificate of public convenience and necessity, she said.

The municipal gas company first filed a complaint against Zia, charging the larger compe-

titor was trying to lure away its customers, she said. Zia was given the authority to serve with the restriction that it not interfere with CCNG's existing customers, Stevens said.

"We ordinarily don't put that type of language in, but we did based on the fact that they were going after each other," Stevens said. "We told Zia if this became a problem, to come back and ask for a change."

Zia claims CCNG is serving some customers illegally, because they are so far away from

the village, she said.

"This is more of a technical fight over franchise rights and competition," Stevens said. "Zia claims it doesn't need a franchise, because it can get an easement over private land and the village can't shut them out."

The CCNG board decided to sell Zia the four-inch transmission line in 1992 to pay off the company's debt and to expand. Both sides have contended that portions of that agreement were not followed by the other entity.

CENTER: Efforts to raise funds for the center are already under way

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Elizabeth Flores, one of three teens to address the council Tuesday, said a teen group had investigated possibilities with the YMCA and found Ruidoso isn't large enough.

The push for a teen center in the Ruidoso area began in a meeting last spring at the high school, Donaldson said. A group of teens later presented their hopes for a center at the Community Update meeting in March, and invited the public to a youth summit in April of this year. Donaldson also formed a mayor's ad hoc committee to focus on the needs of local

youth.

In addition, the creation of a teen center was a constant topic at village strategic planning sessions held earlier this year.

Joshua Owen, another of the teens, said their effort was spurred by a state assessment that said the younger generation of this area felt isolated. A community center would help alleviate that isolation, he said.

"Now, we are just trying to figure out what we can do to get

the ball rolling," Owen said.

Flores said two fund raising efforts are already under way to help pay for a teen center — the Lady Warriors basketball team will contribute 25 percent of pledges from a walk-a-thon; and two local businesses are discussing possible contributions.

Donaldson said one reason the village can attempt the center now is because of an increase in gross receipts revenues coming into the village.

"That's part of it. Another part is that there are funds in the Parks and Recreation Department," he said.

He has been told "time and time again" by people that they would support a teen center.

If it is a success, then similar projects may be attempted, Donaldson said. If not, "Then that will tell us that that type of participation doesn't really exist, even if people say it exists. So it's time to see where people's hearts are."

COWS: Deputies remove livestock from the highway

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lines, it's their fault. If there's a hole in the fence where the cattle find somewhere to get through the fence, then it's the (state) highway department's responsibility. They have to go out and fix the fence. What's difficult is trying to find out where they came through. Rarely do we ever cite a rancher unless we find a gate wide open.

"Today, we had a cow take out a semi. While waiting for the tow truck, the officer was trying to get the rest of the cattle off the road. About the same time this morning, we had an officer near Cloudcroft trying to get eight elk off the road. We had herds of something in two different areas."

If it's obvious who owns the cattle, his officers will try to

contact them to handle the livestock.

"If we can't identify the cattle for one reason or another, we try to get them through the first opening in the fence we can find," Bower said. "Our purpose is to get them off the road and into the safest area we can."

Although the state police usually are called when an accident occurs, Lincoln County sheriff's deputies spend a lot of their time removing livestock to prevent accidents.

"Livestock get out all the time," Sullivan said. "When we get calls, we're usually familiar with whose ranch they come from and notify them to come out. We can't get out and play cowboy, they have to come from a gate."

It's not just the inconvenience, Sullivan said. Cattle

and fast moving cars are a dangerous combination, he said.

"I remember when I was a state trooper in Texas, I went to a lot of livestock accident and some of them were fatal," the sheriff said.

In ranch territory, around a forest or even the plains, a fence doesn't necessarily mean the road will be clear, he said.

"I went down Devil's Canyon twice to the (Lincoln County Cowboy) Symposium," Sullivan said. "I crossed a cattle guard and I just had to slow down. They were just standing there. Don't assume one won't bolt right in front of you."

A cattleguard switches some of the responsibility for accidents from the livestock owner to the vehicle driver, because it means the land is not fenced, he said.



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Detention center plan up for further talks today

• This is the second of two articles reviewing a recent county detention center study.

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
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The Lincoln County Commission is scheduled to discuss more of the specifics about a new jail today during a meeting that starts at 9 a.m. in Ruidoso Village Hall on Cree Meadows Drive.

Some commissioners will be looking at conclusions in a study submitted by Ray Mitcham Associates, P2RS Group Inc., Gerald A. Martin Ltd., Toby Michael Enterprises and Municipal Capital Markets Group Inc., but others have said they have little confidence in the accuracy and objectivity of the information in the report.

One of the most controversial aspects of the jail issue has

been where to put the new detention center. Commissioners voted last month to build it in Carrizozo. Ruidoso Mayor Robert Donaldson said he'll be at the meeting today to offer some alternatives to the current direction of the commission.

Under site selection, the consultants looked primarily at two locations, the Carrizozo Industrial Park with most of the required infrastructure in place, and undeveloped land below Grindstone Dam in Ruidoso.

Utility work alone in Ruidoso was estimated at \$192,645 compared to \$29,500 in Carrizozo.

Projected annual operating costs in Ruidoso were \$228,626, or \$56,346 less than in the county seat of Carrizozo at \$284,972. Over 20 years, that would amount to a savings of \$1,126,920.

The consultants said the

number of employees to run the new jail would be 19 compared to the 15 employed now. They recommended that if Carrizozo (25 miles northwest of Ruidoso) was chosen as the site, the 72-hour holding facility in Ruidoso be kept open.

If Ruidoso was chosen, the county would have to relocate employees or hire a new work force and then train them, which entails 280 hours to bring them to entry level for detention central officer.

Some could come from the current employees at the Ruidoso holding center, which would be closed and consolidated with the jail at a significant savings to county residents paying property taxes in Ruidoso.

Consultants listed the cost of operating the holding facility in Ruidoso at \$308,000 a year. Ruidoso Downs also runs a small holding facility, but the annual figure used by the con-

sultants was disputed by Commissioner William Schwetmann as being much too high. He contended the Downs spends about \$4,000 a year compared to the \$89,100 estimated by the consultants.

Using figures put together by the consultants, they concluded that by consolidating the two jails and renting space from the county, \$213,350 would be saved each year, for a 20-year figure of \$4,260,000. They also estimated an annual savings of \$156,000, if the county and two villages consolidated their dispatch centers.

Current cost of taking prisoners back and forth to courts was estimated at \$24,910 per year. Multiply that figure by 20 years and the cost is nearly half a million dollars.

Financing options dealt only with construction of the jail and looked at paying for it with property taxes or gross receipts taxes.

FUNERALS DEATHS

Juan S. Sanchez

A funeral mass for Juan S. Sanchez, 55, of Ruidoso Downs, will be today at 10 a.m. at St. Eleanor's Catholic Church in Ruidoso.

The Rev. Richard Catanach will officiate.

Mr. Sanchez died Sunday, Oct. 11, in Alamogordo. He was born Jan. 24, 1943 at Biscuit Hill and lived in Lincoln County all of his life.

He had served in the army and was a carpenter. He was a member of St. Eleanor's Catholic Church.

He married Carol Lopez Jan. 11, 1967 in Oxnard, Calif.

Survivors include his wife, Carol, of Ruidoso Downs;

daughters Juanita Aguirre of Weatherford, Texas, and Veronica Sanchez of Las Cruces; his mother, Pilar Sanchez of Ruidoso Downs; brothers Reynaldo Sanchez and Chris Sanchez, both of Albuquerque, and Ramon Sanchez of Ruidoso Downs; sisters Mary Parrish of Muskogee, Okla., Eloisa Perez of Los Lunas, Toni Chavez of Albuquerque, Amie Baca of Ruidoso Downs, Vitalia Gallegos of Los Lunas, Lele Baca of Ruidoso Downs, and Emma Sanchez of Lake Forest, Calif.; and four grandchildren.

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OUR OPINION

Privately public?

Most people take it for granted that major scenic and cultural attractions, like parks, monuments and museums, are government-owned and -operated facilities that always will be there when they want to visit.

That's not the case with the heritage museum and other facilities in historic old Lincoln operated by the Lincoln Heritage Trust. It's a private trust, privately funded and operated, and because of that about the only heat the public can put on it is through lobbying, jaw-boning and other benign forms of persuasion.

That is what a good many Lincoln people are trying to do since it has become known that the Trust's museum will be shut down this winter, because expense is exceeding income.

It's an unfortunate coincidence that the new (and public) Billy the Kid Scenic Byways Visitors Center in Ruidoso Downs is in its first season. After all, its primary role is to guide visitors to those rural areas that need all the economic impact added visitors can give—most especially the village of Lincoln. Fortunately the Lincoln State Monument, which includes the famous courthouse, is not at risk here, but the Trust facilities unquestionably add to a visitor's understanding.

The Lincoln Heritage Trust may be private, but if its goal is to survive, cooperation with public entities seems perfectly in order.

Preserving Lincoln is in everybody's interest.

A non-intervention policy

Nothing stirs the blood and inspires partisanship like a lively election campaign.

But, for the record (and foregoing the fun), the *Ruidoso News* won't publish letters to the editor favoring or opposing political candidates as the current campaign grinds forward. That is simply political advertising, and should be bought and paid for as such.

Nor will the newspaper editorially endorse political candidates; it follows a policy of non-intervention. That is, the newspaper will seek to inform, but not dictate to, its readers.

We urge every citizen to study the issues, get to know the candidates, and therefore make informed decisions when the polls open for business on Nov. 3—not forgetting that perfectly legitimate early voting and absentee voting already has started.

In that context, the newspaper will sponsor a public forum for all county and district candidates at the Ruidoso Convention Center on Monday, Oct. 26, from 7-9 p.m.

It's your best bet to compare the candidates before the election, so don't let it slip by.

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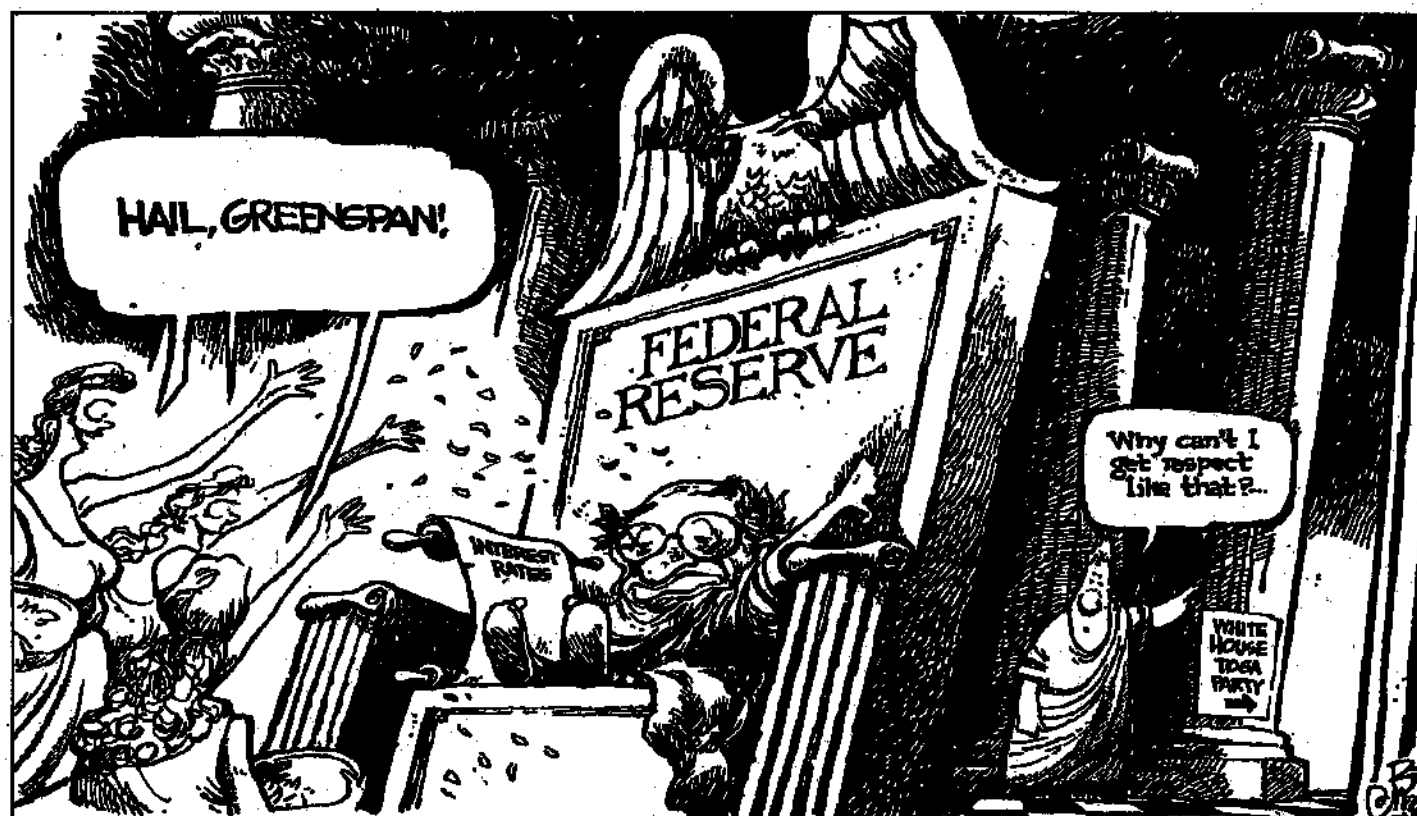
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No joking matter

To the editor:

There is a joke here in the county among outsiders or newcomers about driving in the Southwest. When following vehicles on a curvy road, how do you tell the locals from the rest?

The car driving across the center line is the "local."

Only this is not really a funny joke. If you start noticing the dented vehicles around here, you'll observe that most have damage in the left front area with the left front headlight usually smashed. A sure sign of what they were probably doing to get hit, or did the hitting.

Back east or on the west coast, people are smart enough to know that to cross the centerline (except when passing) means "death" (or you wish you were!)

When I am receiving visitors from back east or the west coast, I warn them to be very careful and drive defensively, because they will probably be run off the road before they get here. And invariably they are.

It seems that with all the effort put into getting drunks off the roads in our state, something should be done to re-educate drivers to realize the dangers of being in the habit of "straightening out the road" by driving across the centerline.

A Californian told me that their rule out here is "keep the two outside wheels ON the white fog stripe, or you'll probably get hit."

Of the last two serious accidents in our area, the lady who hit the motorcyclist, and the drover who hit the semi-tractor and trailer head-on on U. S. 70, it would appear that in both cases the probable offenders had crossed into the other lane

rather than steering around the curve in the road.

You can't drive around here on any day without seeing Southwestern drivers do this. Yes, the Texans are just as bad if not worse. It's a really bad habit to get into doing. It can kill!

Kent Martin
 Alto

Violinist, pianist are hits

To the editor:

Spectacular and thrilling describe the program presented by violinist Yoon Kwon and her pianist sister, Min Kwon, for the Ruidoso Community Concert Association on Saturday evening to a sell-out audience. Their virtuosity, wit, charm and grace made it a concert to long remember.

Robert K. Rowe
 Alto

Think of the animals

To the editor:

When most people think of an animal shelter, they imagine a building housing stray cats and dogs. They may not know that animal shelters also investigate cruelty complaints, issue pet licenses, assist in spaying and neutering pets and educate members of the community about responsible pet ownership.

The Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) sponsors National Animal Shelter Appreciation Week—Nov. 1-7—to celebrate the services that animal shelters provide.

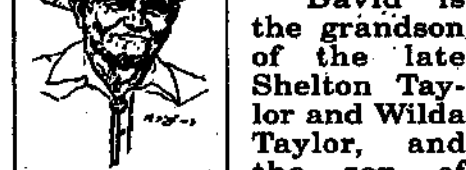
This year, National Animal Shelter Appreciation Week spotlights the contributions made by animal control officers, who work on the front lines helping people resolve conflicts with animals and aiding injured or stray animals.

THE SILVER LINING

Services for a young man

Services were held at the First United Methodist Church in Roswell on Oct. 13 for David Randolph Strahan, age 15, who was called home by our Lord on Oct. 9.

David is the grandson of the late Shelton Taylor and Wilda Taylor, and the son of Shelda Taylor Strahan, former residents of the



BY DAN STORM
 COLUMNIST

Ruidoso Valley and longtime friends of the Storm family.

At the services, the Rev. Ann Madden read from Psalm 84: "Blessed are they that dwell in thy house, O Lord; they will be always praising thee."

The Rev. Steve Chapell read from the book of Exodus: "And in the morning, there ye shall see the glory of the Lord."

David was a sophomore in Goddard High School, Roswell, and active in athletics, little theater and music.

He was a devoted and dearly beloved son, and we rejoice he is safe and happy with our Lord in heaven.

This is being sent to you just at high noon on Oct. 13.

Last evening just after sundown the first cricket of the fall was strumming and singing among the leaves of the small apricot tree: "trill-trill, strum, strum, crill, crull." It is the song of October.

Now at midday the temperature is an even 80 degrees out at the yard gate under the big cedar tree.

On the day of the first freeze, Oct. 6, a band of robin red breasts flew in from the north. Now they are chirping happily down among the oak, walnut and box elder trees down by the riverside.

The American flag out on the Blue Bird Meadow is rippling in a warm and gentle

west wind, with the bright sun lighting up the colors as it shines down from October's deep blue sky. Nearby the young mountain blue birds are flying to and from the blue bird tree, their native home, their silken light blue colors blending as they fly. They are the very picture and spirit of happiness, truly birds of heaven.

For many years now, the hollowed-out stones used by the Indians in times past to grind grain have served as drinking fountains for all the birds here about.

"This morning birds of all kinds are flying in, lighting in nearby trees and then flying down to drink at these 'metates' as they are called by the Spanish.

Among these birds today are cedar wax wing, scrub jay, Arizona jay, song sparrow, dove, robin and house finch.

Let us thank our Lord for glorious October, and all our other many blessings.

Just a little 'fuzzy logic'

Ever since the advent of computers, scientists have been exploring new boundaries of knowledge. Along the way, some brilliant somebody somewhere discovered the virtues of something called "fuzzy logic."

Fuzzy logic actually, according to some PhD people at New Mexico Tech in Socorro, is a relatively new approach to problem-solving based on a system of integrating large amounts of inexact, incomplete information with modern computational methods to derive usable conclusions.

Sounds like something that has been applied (as long-time part-time Ruidoso artist Bill Rakocy would say) "right here in River City."

Among apparent applications of fuzzy logic we've seen recently hereabout:

• The street markings at a no longer new four-way stop at Hull and Warrior Drive that are too small and inexact, the result being an endless stream of cars violating a right-turn lane to go straight south. About the only logical thing we've seen at that intersection is the way left lane drivers rush through the intersection to avoid being smashed by the illegal right lane drivers going into the bottleneck where the right lane ends.

• The driving speed indicator that's set up in midtown to remind drivers that there's a 25-mph speed limit is quite a wonderful innovation. Problem is, drivers can't see it until they're upon it because it's half hidden behind a power pole.

• The north exit from Furr's parking lot on Mechem Drive is a place where an accident is waiting to happen, because Meadow Valley Contractors—the company rebuilding Mechem—has put up a large caution sign exactly positioned to keep drivers turning onto the street from seeing north-bound traffic.

Well...about the only point I'm trying to make about fuzzy logic is that the more information, inexact though it is, that can be gathered the more likely everybody's internal computer (sometimes called a brain) is to come up with a satisfactory conclusion.

Then again, computational "fuzzy logic" is most often used to create "expert" computer programs—whereby machines can emulate experts in a given field in solving problems. (Maybe that's why such machines are so frequent in hospitals.)

Don't say it; I know it. I'm no expert.

MOUNTAIN ASIDES



BY KEITH GREEN
 RUIDOSO NEWS

LETTERS POLICY

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Constitutional change proposals range from property taxes to veterans' aid

The following arguments for and against proposed amendments to the New Mexico Constitution on the Nov. 3 general election ballot do not necessarily reflect legislative deliberations undertaken at the time of passage. No attempt has been made to ensure the validity or consistency of these arguments. They are excerpted from the Legislature's internet web site, which includes additional arguments and the text of the amendments.

Amendment 1

proposes to amend Article 8, Section 1 of the constitution to provide an exception to the requirement that property taxes be in proportion to the value of the property. The amendment requires the legislature to provide by law for limitation of annual increases in valuation of residential property. The limitation may be based on owner-occupancy of the property or the age or income of the taxpayer and may be authorized statewide or on a local option basis.

Arguments For:

Many areas have experienced dramatic increases in recent years in the valuation of residential property for property tax purposes. This escalation tends to affect long-time residents the most, because the differential between what they paid for the property and what the assessor says it is worth is the greatest.

Residential property valuation for tax purposes is based on the theoretical market value of the property. An assessor values property not on the price actually paid when the owner bought the property, but on an estimate of what the property could be sold for at the present time, usually determined by actual sales of comparable property two years prior to the tax year for which the property is being assessed. Thus, a property owner pays property taxes annually on the hypothetical sale value of the property. Assessors value property for property tax purposes, and there are great variations in actual practice among the various counties.

Studies comparing those values with actual sales of residential property in the county show that in some counties average values for property tax purposes vary from as low as 67 to around 98 percent of actual sales prices. Enabling legislation will be required before any change occurs as a result of this amendment. This gives the legislature the time to consider the implications of any change and balance the provision of relief from the future

impact of rising property values with the needs of local communities to maintain tax revenues.

Arguments Against:

By allowing different classes of residential property to be valued differently, the amendment will create significant inequities between types of property or types of property taxpayers. Good tax policy favors taxes that are equitably applied. It is very likely that this amendment will result in greater inequity in the system. Such inequities will breed greater public dissatisfaction over time.

Valuation of property for tax purposes has traditionally been based on the nature and use of the property, not the characteristics of the owner.

Tying assessed value to the ownership of the property would change the nature of the tax. This type of tinkering with the underlying concept of the tax can have unforeseen consequences. If the objection is to the concept of a tax based on the value of the property, then it would be better to eliminate the tax. The property tax is the only true tax on wealth. As such, it is an important part of the mix of state and local taxes and is one way to ensure that the wealthy who own large amounts of property pay their fair share of taxes.

Amendment 2

proposes to amend Article 6, Section 32 of the constitution to add two additional members to the judicial standards commission. Currently, the commission has nine members (two justices or judges, two lawyers, and five non-lawyer citizen members). The proposed additional members would be a magistrate judge and a non-lawyer citizen member.

Arguments For:

The judicial standards commission possesses broad powers to investigate charges of judicial misconduct and recommend to the supreme court discipline, removal or retirement of a justice, judge or magistrate. The enabling legislation for the commission provides that the two judicial positions must be filled by a person who is a justice of the supreme court or a judge of the court of appeals or district court. Consequently, the fifty-nine magistrates have no representation on the commission. Since the commission has the power to recommend sanctions against magistrates, it is appropriate to include a magistrate as a commission member.

The addition of an additional non-lawyer citizen member, as well as the additional magistrate member, ensures that the non-lawyer members will continue to outnumber lawyer members.

Arguments Against:

There is no need to expand membership of the commission. The present commission functions well and has an appropriate balance of two judicial, two legal and five citizen members.

The judicial standards commission was not created to provide a voice of advocacy for each category of judicial officer. The magistrate's point of view can be adequately represented by the present judicial members.

Amendment 3

proposes to amend Article 10, Section 2 of the constitution to change the current restriction that prohibits a county official who has been elected to two consecutive four-year terms from holding any public office for two years thereafter. The amendment would make the prohibition applicable only to the holding of any county office within two years.

Arguments For:

While it may be desirable to require an interval between terms of office at the local level, there is no logical reason for this prohibition to apply to an official who wishes to move on and seek election to a state or federal office. The present provision is unduly punitive in its impact on citizens who serve as county officials. It discriminates against county officials because there is no similar limitation on other elected officials, local or state.

This amendment will return this prohibition to its original form of barring county officials from holding a subsequent county office, not any public office. From the adoption of the constitution of New Mexico until 1992, the prohibition applied only to county office.

Arguments Against:

New Mexico has a commitment to citizen service in gov-

ernment and a suspicion of career politicians. A review of the constitution indicates a history of reluctance on the part of the voters to allow county officers to remain in office for extended periods of time. The current provision ensures that after two consecutive terms a county official must return to the status of ordinary citizen, rather than being able to continuously hold public office.

This increases the likelihood of elected officials being in touch with voters and community issues. Frequent changes to provisions regarding eligibility to run for public office create confusion and instability in the electoral process.

Amendment 4

proposes to amend Article 20 of the constitution by adding a new Section 22 requiring that all assets of a public employees retirement system or an educational retirement system be held in a trust fund for the benefit of the members and beneficiaries of that system. The new section prohibits any expenditure from or use of such a trust fund other than for the benefit of the trust beneficiaries or the expenses of administering the system. It provides that: the board of each retirement system shall be the trustees of that system; the board has the authority to adopt actuarial assumptions for its system; the legislature shall not increase benefits or change the funding formula unless adequate funding is provided; and an employee who has met the minimum service requirements for an applicable retirement plan has a vested property right with due process protection.

Arguments For:

It is necessary to give constitutional protection to New Mexico's public employee retirement system (PERA) and educational retirement system (ERA).

By creating a constitutional duty to hold retirement system funds, assets, proceeds, income, contributions, gifts and payments to the retirement trust funds solely for the bene-

fit of the beneficiaries, no future legislature or governor will be able to raid or use those retirement trust funds for any other purposes. What one legislature creates and protects by law another legislature may undo.

In fact, legislation was introduced in the New Mexico legislature both in 1997 and 1998 that, if it had been enacted into law, would have provided a much more limited retirement plan for future state employees and may have affected the actuarial soundness of the retirement plans for current employees. There is also the example of the current crisis in federal social security trust funds, raising concerns that current and past use of the trust funds may affect the viability of the federal social security system.

This proposed amendment makes it a constitutional requirement to provide adequate funding if benefits are increased or the funding formula for a retirement plan is changed; it mandates fiscal soundness by forcing the legislature to provide appropriate funding for increased benefits.

Arguments Against:

The current retirement system does not need constitutional protection. The legislature has never seriously considered raiding its public retirement funds. Embedding the current retirement boards and associations in the constitution locks into place the current systems, making it almost impossible without a constitutional amendment to make necessary changes in how the retirement systems operate or are organized.

If this amendment is approved, it may be very difficult for the legislature to change what many consider to be generous public employee retirement plans or to reduce costly contributions to those plans from general revenues. While it is important to protect retirement benefits that public employees have earned, it is also important to provide the state and its local governments with sufficient flexibility to provide

the level of benefits that the state and its employees can afford.

Amendment 5

proposes to amend Article 8 of the constitution of New Mexico to add a new section to exempt from property taxation property owned and occupied as the principal place of residence by a veteran with a permanent and total service-connected disability if the residence has been adapted to the veteran's disability using a federal grant for specially adapted housing. The exemption would also apply to the surviving spouse of an eligible veteran if the spouse continues to occupy the property as the principal place of residence.

Arguments For:

Providing this property tax exemption to certain disabled veterans is a way to show appreciation for the sacrifice made by those veterans who became totally disabled in the service of their country. A property tax exemption will help offset the disincentive for totally disabled veterans to specially adapt homes due to the decrease in value of the property caused by making the needed modifications.

Arguments Against:

The property tax is based on the value and nature of the property, not the characteristics of the owner. Creating an exemption for certain individuals is a departure from the underlying principle of property taxation and could set a precedent for other special interest groups to seek exemptions.

The constitution already provides a tax benefit for honorably discharged members of the armed services. An additional benefit for a few of those veterans is not necessary.

This appears to violate the equal protection provisions of the United States constitution. An exemption for all disabled persons, or all veterans, might be acceptable, but this exemption is limited to disabled veterans who qualify for and use federal funds to modify their residential property.

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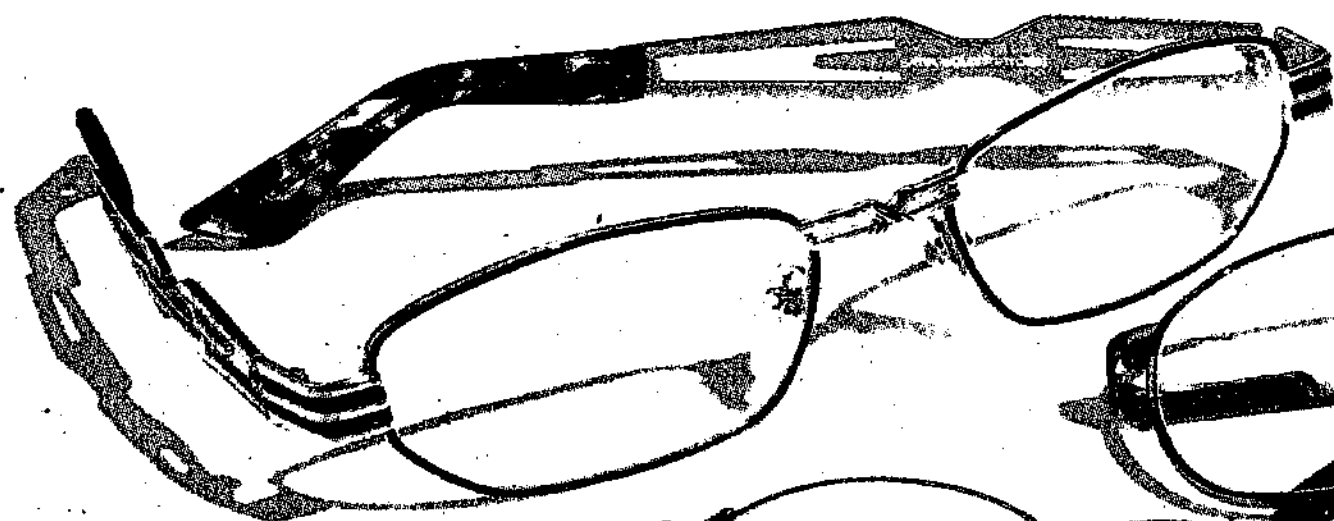
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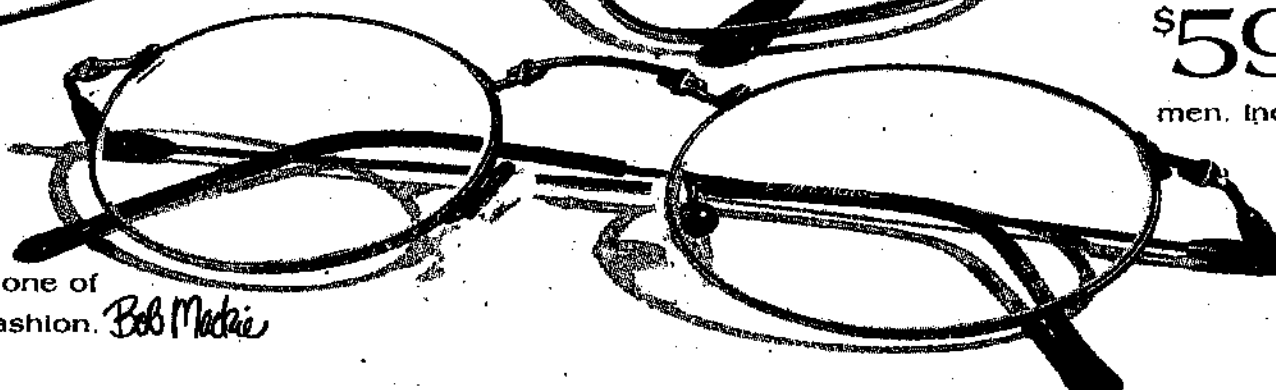
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► RUIDOSO DOWNS

Council to reconsider proposed seasonal business licenses

BY TONI K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Ruidoso Downs village councilors have continued a public hearing on changes to the village's ordinance regulating temporary and seasonal businesses.

Changes discussed at the Monday meeting will be incorporated into the ordinance and brought back to the council for consideration at its Oct. 26 session.

Proposed changes include increasing the fees for temporary merchants, in operation for 72 hours, from \$300 the first day and \$200 subsequent days, to \$500 the first day and \$300 for subsequent days. Also, the fee for seasonal vendors, who intend to be in operation for six months or less, was dropped from a one-time fee of

\$250 to a one-time fee of \$100.

Another proposed amendment to the ordinance, which was passed quickly by the council last month, would drop a requirement that applicants apply for business licenses by March 15 of each year.

In other action Monday the council:

- Approved accounts payable following some discussion. Trustee Judy Miller questioned the legal bill from Village Attorney Dan Bryant, saying it seemed high at about \$6,500. Village Clerk Leann Weibrecht said the bill included Bryant's work on the proposed ordinance for temporary and seasonal vendors in addition to other tasks.

Downs resident Jim Burrow questioned trustees about both the monthly clothing

allowance for employees, which came to \$1,400 for the police department alone, and the bottled water for village departments. In response to Burrow's questions, Weibrecht said employees are given monthly clothing allowances which are not considered a part of their salaries and are not taxed. She said the village spends about \$31 a month on bottled water.

During discussion of accounts payable, Burrows injected that he thought the village animal control officers were doing a great job, referring to a legal notice recently filed against the village that said an animal control officer had entered a home without permission.

"It's been a lot quieter since he's been on the job," Burrow said of the animal control officer.

- Discussed development of a citizen review board for the village. Bonnie Richardson, a Downs resident who proposed the board, told the council she pulled information about citizen review boards from the Internet, including 10 factors for creating an effective board. She also said people have told her that they would be interested in serving on the board, which ideally would function independent of council influence, she said. The board members' names should be drawn from a hopper rather than appointed to ensure that independence, she said.

Mayor Joe Hayhurst said any action on the board should be tabled until Oct. 26 because Village Attorney Dan Bryant was not at the meeting. Bryant is researching different types of

citizen boards for the village.

- Approved spending about \$2,000 for upgrades to computers in administrative offices. Weibrecht said the upgrades were needed before February to keep the software programs from crashing in the year 2000. Installation of the upgrades are expected to cost the village about \$200 more, she said. Police Chief David Hightower said he would apply for upgrades for his department's computers on Oct. 26.

- Heard complaints from regarding a proposed equipment yard at the Agua Fria water utility on South Spring Road. Hayhurst told residents the yard would stay in front of village hall and next to U.S. Highway 70.

- Approved a bid of about \$34,000 from Ruidoso Paving

to pave Di Paolo Drive. Ruidoso Paving was the only company to submit a bid on the project.

- Approved renewing a \$6,380 contract with the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce.

- Approved the purchase of four mobile radios from Key Communications of Ruidoso Downs for a total of \$3,248.20. One radio will be used by animal control officers and the others by the fire department.

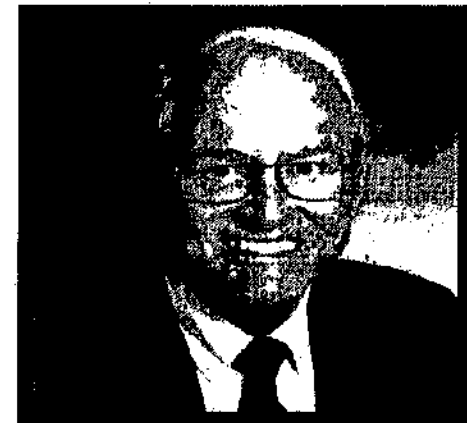
- A previous agenda item to make police Officer Grant Lipscomb a full-time employee was struck from the agenda because promotion is automatic when officers receive state certification.

- Approved giving Fire Chief Nick Herrera permission to purchase a \$4,725 water tank, pending his inability to acquire one for less.



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Schools recognized as 'high performance'

BY SANDY SUGGITT
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Ruidoso Middle School and Ruidoso High Schools were recognized as "High Performance Schools" by the State Department of Education, announced Superintendent Mike Gladden at the school board meeting Wednesday evening.

Gladden said high school students were awarded this because of the high percentage of students to pass the high school competency exam required by all students to get their diplomas, and middle school students because of their performance on the Iowa

Test of Basic Skills.

The schools were given their choice of a flag or a banner, and Ruidoso High School student body president Erica Oxford said they'd go with the flag. Ruidoso Middle School principal Sergio Castañon said the middle school chose flags as they planned to hang flags in the gym.

Gladden said he met with the architect and went over various building projects. The building contractor and insurance carrier have agreed to spray ozone spray in the ducts of the fine arts building at the high school, as the smell of smoke is the only remaining concern from the fire there.

The auxiliary gymnasium

at the middle school is expected to be completed Jan. 1, he said, and the auxiliary gym at the high school Feb. 1.

The six-classroom addition to White Mountain Elementary is progressing rapidly, Gladden said, and is expected to be complete within three to four weeks.

Wirth presented the results of the first full year of full-time support services to family of children from birth to age 5. Almost 200 families were served by Lincoln County Parents As Teachers, he said, and parents surveyed felt the personal visits were helpful and increased their confidence as parents.

Capitan schools look into free breakfast plan

BY SANDY SUGGITT
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

There may be no such thing as a free lunch but Capitan High School students may soon be eligible for a free breakfast.

Capitan Schools began offering \$1 breakfasts to high school students between first and second periods Wednesday, said Superintendent Diana Billingsley.

This is a trial the school is running this week and next week to see what effect it has on students' work. If enough students participate and complete the paperwork for free and reduced lunches, Billingsley said she thinks the school district will be able to offer free breakfast to everyone during the second semester because of federal reimbursements.

She said 55 students ate breakfast Wednesday.

At a meeting Oct. 8, the Capitan School board heard from Gregory T. Hicks, the architect contracted to upgrade or expand the Capitan Municipal School facilities. Hicks presented two different site drawings for the expansion, and the board and audience discussed these and made recommendations, Billingsley said.

The cost of the expansion ranges from \$3.6 million to \$4.4 million, which does not address the roof, drainage and parking problems. Billingsley said no decision was made because the task force met Thursday and Hicks will be presented with additional information and recommendations today.

Billingsley said Hicks will be directed to consolidate the facilities plans with paving, maintenance, parking, roofing and drainage plans, and said she thought they would have the plan by the end of October.

The board approved a request for out-of-state travel by the Future Farmers of America to the national convention in Kansas City, and approved funds to provide a vehicle and \$600 if the club runs out of money, Billingsley said.

In other business:

A special meeting will be held Monday by the Capitan Board of Education to discuss reorganization of the board and selection procedure of a new board member, Superintendent Diana Billingsley announced.

School Board President Beverly Payne-Calaway resigned at the beginning of

the board's Oct. 8 meeting, and the remaining board members went into executive session and reorganized the board, without the required 24 hours prior notice.

The meeting will begin at 8 p.m. in the board room at the Administration Building.

Darrel Stierwalt, high school principal, recognized Chris Hail as a National Merit Scholarship student. Hail received a letter of commendation for outstanding performance on the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test in 1997.

The board approved the rules and regulations for use of the severance tax bond issuance of \$18,000 requested from the state legislature last spring, Billingsley said.

The Capitan Municipal Schools Strategic Plan was again presented to the board as an update of last year's, she said, and the district and teachers want to continue their focus goals.

The board changed its November regular meeting date from Nov. 12 to Nov. 5 because there is a regional school board meeting in Carriazo on Nov. 12, she said.

VILLAGE NEWS

Solid Waste Department information available

Information about Ruidoso's new Solid Waste Department can be found in the village's newsletter, Village Manager Alan Briley said.

Rules and regulations regarding garbage disposal and its collection are in the newsletter as well as information about the village's snow removal policy, pending impact fees on new development and telephone numbers for village departments. The new Solid Waste Department can be reached at 257-1502.

Briley said copies of the newsletter are available at Ruidoso Village Hall, 313 Cree Meadows Drive.

Mayor Robert Donaldson, while discussing the new garbage department, said construction materials should not

be put in dumpsters, and urged people to report those who do. Construction waste should be disposed of at Sierra Contracting, he said.

Workshop on capital improvements Monday

Ruidoso's capital improvement plan may be more important this year than in the past — the village actually has money to spend this year, Village Manager Alan Briley told village councilors this week.

To discuss the plan as well as the village's capital equipment replacement plan, the Ruidoso Village Council will hold a public workshop at 4 p.m. Monday in Village Hall, 313 Cree Meadows Drive.

Lodgers tax postponed

Village councilors this week

indefinitely postponed a proposed increase to Ruidoso's lodgers tax, from 4 to 5 percent.

Ruidoso Mayor Robert Donaldson recommended the postponement until it was known whether a hotel is going to be built next to the Ruidoso Convention Center. The village is currently negotiating a possible lease with a hotel firm, Donaldson said, adding that the company should be included in discussion about the tax increase if an agreement is reached.

The council also rejected proposals for a special events facilitator, a contract that would have been funded by revenue from the lodgers tax increase. The one-percent increase was estimated to generate about \$100,000.

Donaldson said the action was not a reflection on the quality of the proposals.

NEWS BRIEFS

Hunting class offered

The Ruidoso Hunter Education instructors announce a hunter education certification class, which will begin Monday and finish on Friday, Oct. 23.

The class will be held from 5:30 p.m. until 9 p.m. each day at Ruidoso Downs Village Hall. The class is required for anyone under the age of 18 wishing to go afield with a firearm.

The course is approved by the New Mexico Game and Fish Department and is recognized in all other states that require adults to pass an approved hunters education course, such as Colorado. Class size is limited so it is suggested that those who wish to attend pre-register with David Wheeler at 378-4399 or with Tony Ballard at 257-7088. A social security number is required to attend. A small one-time fee of \$5 is requested from each student. For more information call Wheeler or Ballard. An adult must accompany students under the age of 12 for the entire class. Students only need to bring a pencil, everything else will be provided.

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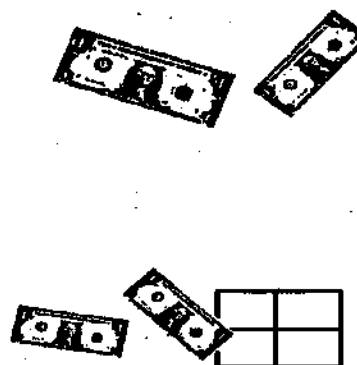
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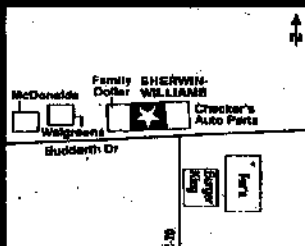
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SHERIFF'S REPORTS

Batteries removed from highway loader

Four batteries were stolen from a state Highway and Transportation Department front end loader over the weekend while it was parked on U.S. 380 near the settlement of Lincoln.

No value figure was available, but Lincoln County Undersheriff Ricky Virden said it was one of at least four thefts that occurred within a two-day period Oct. 5-7.

"Without more troops, I don't know how we can stop these (breaking and entering offenses), Virden said. "We just don't have enough people."

Door found open at Fawn Ridge house

In another case, a door was found open at a house being watched by the owner's friend in Fawn Ridge.

But until the owners returned, deputies won't know for sure if something was taken.

Sun Valley site hit, tools and other items stolen

Ray Pack wasn't as lucky in Sun Valley. Someone stole \$1,530 of air-powered tools and other construction items, including a chain saw, from his residence.

The theft apparently took place about 3:30 p.m. and someone might have witnessed the incident, according to a report by Deputy Chris Rutten.

Disabled car targeted for tools, stereo items

Mike Spurlock reported to Deputy Paul Wersich that someone broke into his disabled car between Oct. 3 to Oct. 5, while it was parked on the side of the gravel pit on Gavilan Canyon Road.

When he returned the day after the car broke down, he found the window smashed and a metal tool box, tools, the car stereo and speakers missing.

Class action suit targets recalled diet drugs

People who live at high altitude and took the diet drugs Fen-Phen or Redux may be at more risk for heart valve problems, Attorney Mark J. Caruso says.

He's filed a class action suit in New Mexico State Court's First Judicial District in Santa Fe on behalf of about 10,000 New Mexicans who took the diet drugs. The suit seeks unspecified damages for injuries the plaintiffs claim were caused by the drugs primarily manufactured by Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratories and Smith Kline Beecham.

The suit claims that the drug makers failed to test their product before selling it to the public and failed to warn the public of risks of use.

Caruso is interested in being contacted by anyone who thinks they may have been adversely affected by taking the drug, which was recalled by the Federal Drug Administration one year ago.

A recent report by the Mayo Clinic found that more than 30

percent of the people who took the diet drug developed serious heart valve damage, Caruso said in a news release. The FDA recommends an echocardiogram for anyone who has taken the diet drug to determine if they have the heart condition.

"New Mexico's high altitude (results in) ... a higher incidence of heart damage."

Mark J. Caruso, Attorney

altitude seems to cause a higher incidence of heart valve damage."

Symptoms of heart valve damage include difficulty breathing, shortness of breath, fatigue, exercise intolerance and heart murmur. Another

problem caused by the diet drug is pulmonary hypertension, a serious disease of the lung that may result in death, he said.

Individuals may receive information about the suit and copies of medical studies by calling Caruso at (505) 883-5000.

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Scoreboard

Wednesday, Oct. 14
• Adult Coed Softball
Los Amigos II 23, Chances Are 15
Hit n Run 27, Los Amigos II 9
Sweet & Sour 22, Camp Sierra Blanca 9
Chances Are 19, Camp Sierra Blanca 18
CoNads 15, Sweet & Sour 5

Tuesday, Oct. 13
• Adult Coed Softball
CoNads 18, Guns & Roses 12
CoNads 13, Los Amigos II 2
Sweet n Sour 26, Guns & Roses 16
Hit n Run 13, Chances Are 7
Hit n Run 26, Sweet & Sour 18
• Volleyball
Ruidoso def. Santa Teresa, 3-0
15-9, 15-4, 15-10
Hatch def. Capitan, 3-1
10-15, 15-13, 15-7, 15-13

Saturday, Oct. 10
• Volleyball
Silver def. Ruidoso, 3-1
15-0, 14-16, 15-5, 15-6
• Cross Country

Southeast Invitational
Boys team results: 1. Ruidoso 27, 2. Goddard 50, 3. Clovis 71, 4. Artesia 86, 5. NMML 97, 6. Roswell 104.
Ruidoso boys individual finishes (out of 56 runners): Dabert Comanche, 1st, 15:37.15; Collin May, 4th, 16:51.72; Calum Blaylock, 5th, 16:58.16; Joshua Romero, 8th, 17:38.44; Benjamin Smith, 9th, 17:40.35; Kyle Sparks, 10th, 17:45.46; and Erik Sproul, 44th, 21:50.19.
Girls team results: 1. Clovis 23, 2. Roswell 76, 3. Artesia 79, 4. Ruidoso 82, 5. Goddard 102.
Ruidoso girls individual finishes (out of 33 runners): Loni George, 5th, 21:01.47; Kammi Sparks, 12th, 22:43.92; Shannon Salazar, 18th, 13:38.91; Kara Cervantes, 22nd, 24:15.49; Eva Reinfeld, 27th, 25:10.55.

This week

TODAY
• Football
Capitan at Loving, 7 p.m.
Corona at Roy, 7 p.m.

SATURDAY
• Football
Carrizozo at Mountainair, 2 p.m.
• Volleyball
Cobre at Ruidoso, 11 a.m.
• Soccer
Ruidoso at Silver City, 4 p.m.

TUESDAY
• Volleyball
Dexter at Capitan, 4 p.m.
Santa Teresa at Ruidoso, 4 p.m.
Carrizozo at Hondo, 5 p.m.

Pecking order

Team	Class	Rec.	Pts.	Prev.
1. Artesia (10)	AAA	7-0	100	1
2. Ruidoso		6-1	83	3
3. Lovington		6-1	76	2
4. Raton		5-1	70	4
5. St. Pius		6-1	67	5
6. Taos		3-2	43	6
7. Moriarty		4-3	29	7
(tie) Kirtland Central		4-3	29	9
9. Cobre		4-2	19	-
10. Silver		3-3	15	8

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DISTRICT 4A FOOTBALL

Tigers open bid on enemy ground

BY LAURA CLYMER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Last weekend's Class A football results proved one thing to Capitan football coach Ed Davis: the race for the state title is as wide open as the eastern New Mexico plains.

"I've never seen it this open. It's wide open. There's not a Class A team that's undefeated," Davis said.

Davis can thank his team's opponent tonight, Loving, for that. The Falcons upset No. 1 Fort Sumner in Fort Sumner, 27-7 last Friday.

True, the Foxes committed

seven turnovers, but according to Davis, the Falcons beat Fort Sumner "handily."

Loving (2-4 overall) hosts the visiting Tigers (4-3) for a 7:30 p.m. District 4A game today.

Davis witnessed a Loving team that ran three plays to perfection against Fort Sumner: the dive, the option, and the quick slant pass.

"We've got to make sure we've got people on the quarterback and the pitch man, and watch for the dive," Davis said of the Tigers' defensive objectives.

Loving coach George Frederick's team is better than its

record indicates. The Falcons lost to Texico, 22-20, and fell to the Carlsbad junior varsity in the waning seconds.

"We just finally put everything together," Frederick said of his team's effort last week.

Senior quarterback Kevin Hernandez directs the Loving option which features Kiki Lujan at fullback and A.J. Armendariz at running back.

What must the Falcons concern themselves about the Tigers?

"They've got real good speed. We've seen them, against good football teams, break long TD runs," Frederick said.



Senior Raymond Harris (#13) leads the potent Tiger running attack. He's already gained 969 yards on 86 carries for a gaudy 11.3 yards per carry average.



Competitors in the girls varsity cross country race of the Ruidoso Invitational fight for position early on. The Warriors' Erica Romero (#501) finished second to Laci Jackson of Hobbs (#508). Romero's time of 20 minutes, 55 seconds was a personal best for the senior runner.

RHS' top runners finish second to one

• Warrior boys take second in team event and establish themselves as the early District 3AAA favorite.

BY LAURA CLYMER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Warrior senior Erica Romero bid farewell to the home fans with a second-place finish at Thursday's Ruidoso Invitational Cross Country Meet.

The three-time defending District 3AAA champion posted a personal best time of 20 minutes, 55 seconds, which was second only to Hobbs' Laci Jackson (19:57).

"It was sad in a way (to run my last race on this course), but that's why I wanted to do my best," said Romero while she stood near the finish chute cheering on the other runners. "I feel like it was my best. As far as it being my last time, I have no regrets."

Romero moved up steadily throughout the race, taking over third place in the first leg of the race. She then reeled in the second-place runner along a flat stretch of the course that parallels Gavilan

Canyon Road.

"I knew if I got in front of her before the hill I had a better chance of staying in front," Romero said.

That she did, but the Warrior standout was unable to make up any ground on Jackson, who won for the second straight year.

Ruidoso coach Ronnie Maskew offered this praise for his senior, "She ran extremely well today. She's a great kid. She seems to work at every thing very hard. She's one of the top ones I've worked with here and we've had some pretty good ones."

The Warrior boys' second-place finish, however, didn't impress Maskew.

"I don't think they ran very well," Maskew said. "Doggone it we need our second and third runners to be up further than they were."

The Warriors beat district rival Silver, which finished fourth. It was the first time the two teams have run against each other.

"I think it puts us as the one to beat, but if we don't improve, anybody can step up and win it," Maskew said.

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Dabert Comanche finished second to Silver's Jonathon Anglin.

Warriors start drive to secure runnerup spot

BY LAURA CLYMER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

The immediate challenge looming before the Warrior volleyball team requires the Warriors to take the proverbial 'one step at a time.'

Ruidoso has positioned itself solidly in second place of the District 3AAA standings with a 3-2 record. A win in Gadsden over Santa Teresa Tuesday means the Warriors have lost only to Silver in 3AAA play.

Now the Warriors must complete the sweep of the district's basement dwellers - Cobre on Saturday and Santa Teresa on Tuesday - to be poised for the runner-up spot when they travel to Hot Springs Oct. 24 for the final regular season district match.

Even though Cobre and Santa Teresa have one district win between them, it is not as easy as it might seem, contends Ruidoso coach Fran Webb.

"We can't look past Cobre and Santa Teresa," Webb said.

Cobre pays Ruidoso a visit Saturday. The Warriors swept Cobre in three games Sept. 26, but Webb remains leery of the Indians.

"They've always been able to come back," she said.

Then on Tuesday, the Warriors must repeat their performance against Santa Teresa. In the first meeting with Santa Teresa, the Desert Warriors surprised Webb, even though Ruidoso won handily. What's hurting them more than anything now is their lack of winning tradition, Webb said.

"Their younger teams are looking real good. They have a strong freshman team. They beat ours," Webb added.

First and foremost in Webb's mind is Saturday's match with Cobre, however.

"We need to win this one in order to stay in second place. We can't afford to lose," she said.

Ruidoso 3, Santa Teresa 0

With junior Julie Miller hitting well, Ashley Scott and Cassie Bednorz digging well and Brynn Hatcher and Elizabeth Miller controlling play at the net, the Warriors waltzed to a 15-9, 15-4 and 15-10 win on the road Tuesday in Santa Teresa.

Julie Miller finished with five kills and four blocks to pace the Ruidoso offensive attack. Elizabeth Miller anchored the Warrior defense with 20 digs from her position. Scott recorded 10 digs and Bednorz had eight to effectively limit Santa Teresa's success offensively.

Silver 3, Ruidoso 1

The Colts left little doubt that they are the cream of the crop in the 3AAA. Silver opened Saturday's match in Ruidoso with an impressive 15-0 first game effort, and went on to 14-16, 15-5, 15-6 win.

The Warriors never really recovered from that opening game.

"We didn't have just an outstanding performance by anyone," Webb said.

While Ruidoso's hitters struggled at the net, Silver's Julie Whetton had her way all day. The Colt standout led the Silver domination.

"We dug ourselves a hole and against Silver it's next to impossible to get out it," Webb said.

Grizzlies strive to keep playoff hopes alive

BY LAURA CLYMER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Carrizozo's post-season hopes are on the line Saturday when the Grizzlies travel to Mountainair for a District 1 six-man football contest.

Coach Pat Ventura's team (3-3 overall, 0-1 in the 1) faces a must-win to put itself in position as district runner-up. Mountainair is coming off a 62-12 pounding of Pine Hill and upped its district record to 1-0.

The loser of Saturday's 2 p.m. game will be left out of the playoff picture.

The Grizzlies have some momentum they can ride into Mountainair. Carrizozo whipped Clovis Christian last Friday, 36-6, to break a three-game losing slump.

"We had a good week of practice and it paid off. The kids seemed to be a

little more focused," Ventura said of the Carrizozo win.

The same has been true of this week's practices, he added.

Ventura and the Grizzlies have spent the last several days working on solving the defensive dilemma posed by the Mountainair offense.

"They like to throw ball. They have some quick kids," Ventura said.

Offensively Mountainair prefers to dump short passes to the receivers so they can run.

"We're going to have to play good defense in order to win," Ventura said.

The Grizzlies will counter with defensive stunts. Ventura said the defense can't get sucked in by the Mountainair quarterback. The receivers block initially then release into pass patterns.

"You try to play man defense on everyone," Ventura said.

Also, the Carrizozo defenders will try to flush Mountainair quarterback Abelino Chavez to his left so it will be more difficult for Chavez to set up and throw.

The Grizzly offensive has to do its part as well.

Carrizozo must jump on Mountainair early to build a lead and maintain that lead with a ball control offense, Ventura said.

Still, the bottom line Saturday will come down to who plays the best defense, the first-year Grizzly coach added.

Game statistics

Carrizozo 36, Clovis Christian 6
Carrizozo rushing leaders: Ryan Roper 15-130; Simon Beltran 14-125, 1 TD; Josh Vega 1-8.
Carrizozo passing: R. Roper 9-16-135 yards, 3 TDs, 2 INTs. Receiving: Chris Margis 3-48, 1 TD; S. Beltran 3-67, 1 TD; Miguel Najjar 1-12, 1 TD; Cameron Douglas 1-15. TOTAL OFFENSE: Carrizozo 315 yards, Clovis Christian 120 yards.

On deck

Little League Basketball
Sign up for Little League Basketball, grades 1 through 4, will be from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the White Mountain Elementary school cafeteria on Thursday, Oct. 22; Tuesday, Oct. 27; and Thursday, Oct. 29. Cost is \$30 for the family's first child and \$25 for each additional sibling. The first meeting will be Nov. 1. Call 378-4661 for more information.

Coed volleyball league
The Village of Ruidoso parks and recreation department adult coed volleyball league begins play at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 21, at Ruidoso Middle School. Entry fee is \$150 per team. Entry fee and preliminary rosters were due Wednesday, Oct. 14. Final rosters are due Nov. 11. For more information, call 257-5030.

Adult basketball league
The Village of Ruidoso parks and recreation adult basketball league begins play at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 22, at the Ruidoso Middle School gymnasium. Cost to enter is \$275 per team. Entry fee and preliminary rosters were due by Thursday, Oct. 15. Final rosters are due by Nov. 12. For more information, call 257-5030.

New optometrist opens next to Vision Center in Wal-Mart

John Davis clears up both eyesight as well as misinformation.

BY TONI K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Most everyone has it wrong about nearsightedness, John Davis says.

"If you are long-legged, you have long legs," Davis said. "If you are nearsighted, you've got near sight."

As an optometrist for 25 years, Davis knows the difference between nearsightedness and farsightedness — and that most people are confused about which is which. Just as people are confused about whether his office is a

part of the Wal-Mart Super Center or the Visions Eye Care Center.

"I'm next to the Visions Center in Wal-Mart," Davis said recently. "I'm a separate business from them and they are a separate business from Wal-Mart."

Because his office is inside and to one the side of the Visions Center, Davis said it's been tough getting the word out that he is there, even though he opened his business full-time in July.

Something else people are confused about is the difference between an optician, an optometrist and an ophthalmologist. An optician, he explained, is someone trained to work with lenses and materials. An optometrist, which he is, is someone trained to "measure" the eye for corrective lenses. And an ophthalmologist is a medical doctor who primarily deals with diseases of the eye and eye surgery, Davis said.

Davis provides eye examinations first by computer and then the old-fashioned way, where he conducts the examination himself with the traditional eye chart of a pyramid of shrinking letters.

"That stuff in the back there is the latest on the market," Davis said of his eye exam machinery. "But if a person allows a machine to



Optometrist John Davis examines a patient's eyes at Davis' office in the Wal-Mart Super Center by the Visions Center.

Toni K. Laxson/Ruidoso News

► New business

- Who: John Davis, O.D., optometrist
- Where: Next to the Vision Center at the Wal-Mart Super Center
- When: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays; Starting in November, noon to 4 p.m. Sundays
- Telephone: 378-7148

think for them they deserve all the mistakes that are wrought by them."

The profession is one that he was advised to follow as a boy — by his own optometrist, Davis said. When being fitted for contacts, Davis was told by his optometrist that he

"thought" like an optometrist and should pursue the career.

Instead, Davis got a degree in biology from the College of Idaho before joining the Navy.

He served in Vietnam and then used his G.I. Bill to go back to school. He

earned a doctorate of optometry from Pacific University in Oregon and went to work in Taos, where he practiced for the next 20 years.

He now lives in Roswell with his wife, a native of San Patricio, and commutes to Ruidoso Downs. It's his wish, however, to move to the area, preferably Arabella, Davis said.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

New Sherwin-Williams store opens

A Sherwin-Williams opened recently at the Mountain View Mall, located at Sudderth Drive and U.S. Highway 70, the store's manager said.

Rene Galindo said the 4,000-square-foot store, which sells paints and wallpaper, will have two grand opening celebrations — one on Nov. 12 for wholesale customers and another Nov. 14 for retail customers.

The wholesale grand opening, in which business owners are welcome to attend, will be 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Nov. 12, with a catered lunch served from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Discounts will be offered on selected items, Galindo said.

The grand opening on Saturday, Nov. 14, will also offer a catered lunch from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The celebration itself will be from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. KWES-FM, 93.5, will be at the store from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., according to a company release.

The event also will feature a grand prize drawing, giveaways and in-store specials.

Galindo said the store, which intends to hire an additional employee, has 60 different wallpaper patterns in stock and 42,000 that can be ordered.

The store's hours are 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays. Closed Sundays. For more information, call the store at 630-2200.

SBA target Y2K bug

The U.S. Small Business Administration recently announced plans to dedicate a week to helping small business owners prepare for potential computer problems linked to the year 2000 transition, commonly called the Y2K bug.

Free morning and afternoon seminars about the Y2K bug will be held in Albuquerque on Oct. 20. For more information, or to register, call (505) 346-7909.

Experts are concerned that on Jan. 1, 2000, many computers will recognize "double zero" not as 2000 but as 1900.

The glitch could cause

them to stop running or to start generating erroneous data.

"Y2K Action Week" will be Oct. 19-23. The Small Business Administration will lead several federal agencies in hosting a series of educational events across the country, all geared to minimizing Y2K disruptions.

For more information about the Y2K bug, the SBA has an Internet home page at www.sba.gov/y2k/ and a toll-free answer desk at (800) 827-5722, which will route callers to the best sources of Y2K information.

The agency also has a 24-hour fax-back system in which people call (877) 789-2565, make a selection from a menu, and a fax on the information is sent within minutes.

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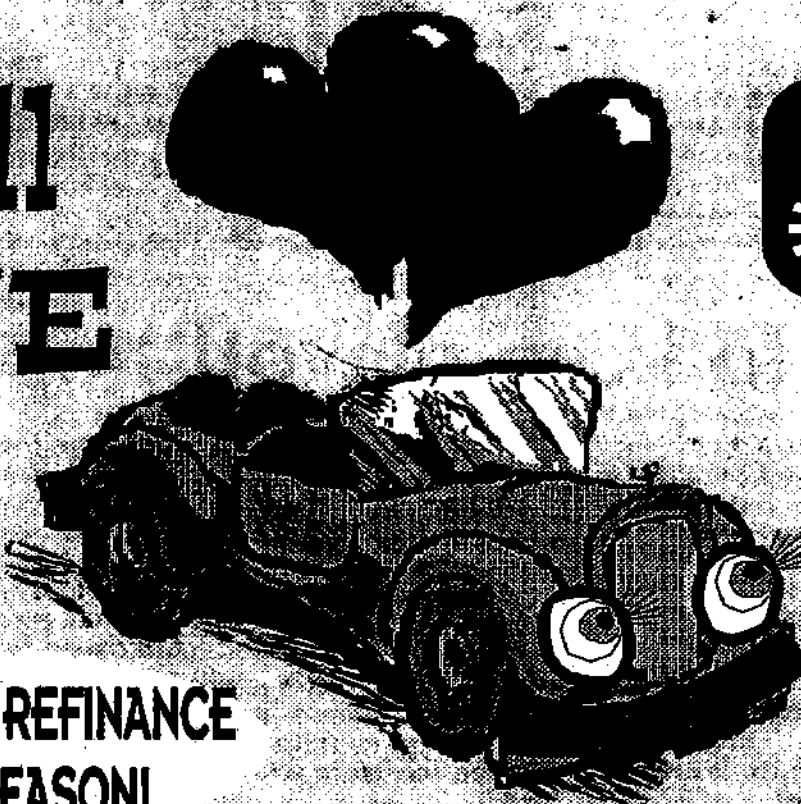
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State school for deaf hires regional supervisor

The New Mexico School for the Deaf recently hired a regional supervisor for the southern portion of New Mexico to oversee STEP*HI, an early intervention, home visitation program for families of the deaf and hard of hearing children, ages 0-6.

Ann Swanson, from Veguita, N.M., already has begun work, insuring that health and education agencies and care providers are aware of the program so that they can refer eligible children and their families for STEP*HI services.

Swanson's new position is an extension of what she's been doing for the past 10 years. She has been a STEP*HI parent advisor helping families with language and auditory development, choose communication methodologies, and explore resources to maximize the potential of young children with diagnosed hearing loss.

She became involved with the STEP*HI program 15 years ago when it started in New Mexico. Swanson's youngest daughter, Lisa, became deaf following meningitis when she was an infant.

Lisa was one of STEP*HI's first children and became STEP*HI's first graduate. Now, 16 and a junior at Belen High School, she maintains a 3.5 grade point average and has been profiled in "Who's Who Among High School Students." Her family attributes much of her success to early intervention provided by the STEP*HI program.

Swanson said because hearing loss among children is a low-incidence occurrence and because much of New Mexico is rural, familiarity with best practices for appropriate development of deaf and hard of hearing children is limited in the state. She said the southern portion of New Mexico is particularly sparsely populated and geographical distances are vast.

"Many families feel isolated, but STEP*HI will come to them," she said. "STEP*HI is committed to providing services to families of children with a hearing loss wherever they live in the state."

Parent advisers and deaf role models live in all areas of the state and are able to meet special needs as they arise, Swanson said. Spanish-

speaking STEP*HI parent advisers are able to communicate with Spanish-speaking families.

Until recently, the regional supervisors for STEP*HI in the southern portion of the state was a part-time contracted position. Swanson said the New Mexico School for the Deaf, however, recognized the need to hire a full-time supervisor to heighten awareness of the STEP*HI program, locate eligible children, and support families already accessing services.

Swanson said people who know any hard of hearing or deaf children, ages 0-6, should contact her. She can be reached by phone at (505) 864-8569; E-mail at ann.swanson@hotmail.com; fax at 861-3023; and by mail at P.O. Box 568, Veguita, N.M., 87062. Swanson can then communicate with family members to determine if they are interested in receiving free STEP*HI home visitation services. STEP*HI can also be reached toll free at the New Mexico School for the Deaf Santa Fe campus by calling 1-800-841-6699.

County 4-Hers receive state fair awards

Twenty-six 4-Hers from Lincoln County 4-H Clubs won ribbons for their inside projects at the New Mexico State Fair. The winners were:

- Katrina Johns, Carrizozo Club - Photography, Action Picture, second place; Photography, Picture of People, second place; Braiding I, Exhibit Board, first place.

- K.C. Hendricks, Carrizozo Club - Photography, Still Life, third place.

- Justus Wilson, Carrizozo Club - Photography, Self Determined, first place; Baking, gingerbread, third place.

- Ryan Gaines, Carrizozo Club - Welding, Name Plate, first place, 4-H Clover, second place; Wood Science - gun rack, first place, cutting board, second place, tool box, first place.

- Morgan Thomas, Hondo Club - "This is 4-H" T-shirt, first place.

- J.R. Shafer, Carrizozo Club - "This is 4-H" project box, second place.

- Wesley Hall, Capitan Club - Forestry, tree collection, first place; Wild Life, birds nest exhibit, second place.

- Mary Beth Shivers - Carrizozo Club, Adventures

with Food, butterscotch fingers, first place; oatmeal cookies, second place; braiding board, second place; baking, whole grain muffins, third place.

- Opal Greer - Carrizozo Club, Fun with Clothing, tote bag, second place.

- Kaitlyn Vega - Carrizozo Club, Fun with Clothing, back pack, first place.

- Sonya Vega - Carrizozo Club, Fun with Clothing, purse, third place.

- Patrick Luna - Hondo Club, Leathercraft II, exhibit board, second place.

- Tanner Daniel - Capitan Club, Leathercraft IV, knife sheath set, first place.

- Robbie Burchett - Capitan Club, Rocketry, model rocket, second place.

- Colt Freeman - Hondo Club, "This is 4-H," work book, second place, T-shirt, third place.

- Audrey Thomas - Hondo Club, Leathercraft I, exhibit board, first place; Braiding II

exhibit board, second place.

- Keith Shafer - Carrizozo Club, Leathercraft II, exhibit board, third place.

- Mollie Hightower - Carrizozo Club, Baking III, whole wheat bread (machine), first place; Senior Clothing, school dress, second place.

- Trenna Stephens - Capitan Club, Foods for the Future, quick pickles, first place, beats, second place.

- Brit Ventura - Capitan Club, Wood Science III, child's chair, third place.

Also exhibiting were: E.J. Sanchez - Hondo Club, Leathercraft, Jackie Chavez - Hondo Club, photography; and Stephen Chavez - Hondo Club, rocketry.

4-H is the youth program of the Cooperative Extension Service. To learn more about 4-H in Lincoln County, call the Extension Service at (505) 648-2311.

RUIDOSO POLICE

Man arrested allegedly damages trailer

According to Ruidoso police reports, Robert Romero, 25, of Commerce City, Colo., was arrested at 5:16 p.m. Oct. 1 and charged with one count of criminal damage to property and one count of aerosol spray abuse. He broke two windows and damaged the trailer siding at 104 Queen Air Court. Damage is estimated at \$1,000 or less.

Girl under house arrest following shoplifting

A juvenile, 15, was taken into custody for shoplifting at Visions for Women, 2801 Sudderth Drive at 5:29 p.m. Oct. 2, according to Ruidoso police reports.

She allegedly took pants and a shirt, which were returned when police went to the store with the juvenile. A juvenile probation officer was notified and the juvenile was released to her mother and is under house arrest, according to the police report.

Man stabbed on Mechem

Carlos Saenz, 19, of Ruidoso reported to police that he was stabbed three times and beaten up by two unknown males at 5 a.m. on Oct. 3.

Emergency room staff told police the stab wounds were to the left side of the back and the left arm. Two of the stabs were 3 to 4 inches long and 1 to 2 inches deep, the other 3 to 4 inches deep. Emergency room personnel reportedly had to put a chest tube in the victim because the stab to the back went into the lung.

Saenz told police that he was driving on Mechem Drive, approaching Dan Fender Tire when he saw two males walking who waved at him. He pulled over thinking they were friends. He reported to police that they hit him in the mouth with something and they stabbed him in the left arm and the left upper part of his back. He got back into the vehicle, went home and woke up his mother and sister, and went to the hospital. According to the police report, one of the suspects was described as being about 5 feet 5 inches tall, weighing 220 pounds, and the other was described as being about 5 feet 7 inches tall, weighing 120 pounds.

Five warrants issued in light of assaults

Warrants were issued against Jonathan Edward Schut, 19, and Gary Schut, 21, both of Mesalero, for assault against a household member, aggravated battery against a

household member, and battery against a household member for the beating of a 29-year-old man residing at 210 Crown Drive.

The police report states that he was found unconscious in a pool of blood and that was diagnosed with a broken jaw, broken nose, fractured eye socket.

Warrants were also issued for Lorena Lester, 44, Florence Schut, age unknown, and Mona Lester, age unknown, all of Mesalero, and the boyfriend of the victim, 29, unemployed, of 210 Crown Drive, for the beating of a woman, 25, of the same address.

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- Gumbo vegetable
- Military group
- Take on
- "Gallipoli" director
- Mozart offering
- Start of a quote by 39-Across
- Old schoolhouse item
- Nostradamus, e.g.
- Where the worm turns
- Gelsh's garment
- Droop
- Function
- Record producer Brian
- ran
- Noble's partner
- Tear asunder
- Tombstone lawman
- Comedian Foxx
- See 17-Across
- Open a bit
- Rock music's Ford
- Trans World Dome team
- Like a harvest moon
- Popular race
- The pause that refreshes?
- Fish cookout
- Sweet potato
- Radio antenna
- Folder's locale
- Gilbert of "Roseanne"
- John Lennon hit
- End of the quote
- Where the buffalo roam
- Town in Nevada
- Otherwise
- Single-masted vessel
- Audition for a part
- Textile worker

DOWN

- Narrow margin of victory
- Carrier
- "Get real!"
- Former defense collective
- Bird of prey
- Ivorites and others
- Get carried away?
- One born on April 1
- Debate side
- Echoes
- Choos
- Exalted
- "Lone Star" director John
- Singer Horne
- Colorless
- Designer Cassini
- Actress with a "Tootsie" role
- Not a savor
- Auction bids
- Daybreak direction
- Acress Cannon
- Gov. Wilson
- Bacchanalian event
- Money in Johannesburg
- Advent
- He's on "Tonight" tonight
- Irregularity
- Lethargic feeling
- Sat (for)
- Provoke
- "Lonely Boy" singer
- Slangy affirmative
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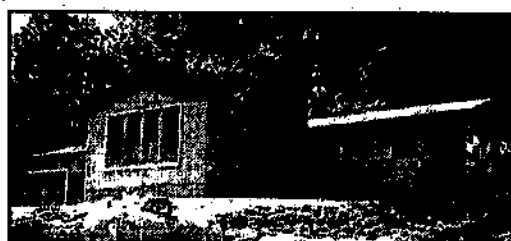


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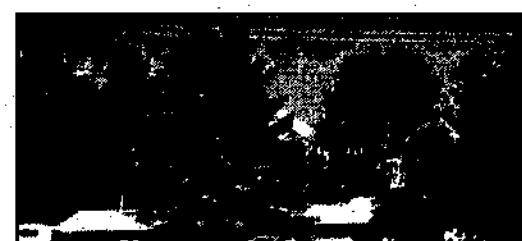


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3-in-1 stroller, baby items,
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GARAGE SALE!** Not a lot of
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ping by. 108 Aspen Circle.
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tions, boots, clothing,
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White Mountain, right
on Skyline, Left onto
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**YARD SALE AT CHRIST
CHURCH IN THE DOWNS
THRIFT SHOP:** Saturday
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Oct 18th, 11am-? No early
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SUN. 8am-?** Dishes, old
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furniture, LOTS of sewing
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bicycles, books. Parnell &
Harris Downs.

YARD SALE, MOVING! Lots
of stuff. Sat, Oct 17th, 8am-?
503 Grindstone Canyon Rd.

**MOVING SALE: SATUR-
DAY 8am-noon.** Rocky Moun-
tain Trailer Park (north of
Ruidoso Downs). Selling
washer, dryer, microwave,
clothes for adults and chil-
dren, and lots of misc.

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The gallery is moving from Jira Plaza into an old adobe in San Patricio. During the moving time, however, the gallery's web site will be active and period artists can be viewed by calling for an appointment, 258-5113 or 653-4081.

Bonito Bronze

1204 Mechem Dr., Ruidoso, 258-1313

Bronze sculptor Gaylon Gillem's works. Open Monday-Friday 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

California Colors

201 Country Club Rd., Ruidoso, 257-9518

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720 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso, 257-7395

Artist for October: P.A. Jones' works of pastels and oils are featured. Hours are: Monday, 9-5; Tuesday through Thursday, 8:30-5; and Friday, 8:30-4:30.

Eagle Ranch Art Gallery

7288 Hwy. 54/70, Alamogordo, 1-800-432-0999.

Featured in October: Ruidoso artist Jerry Fugere's realistic landscapes and seascapes. Gallery hours: 9 a.m.-6 p.m. daily.

Gail's Frame of Mind

1204 Mechem, Ruidoso, 258-9071.

The gallery features original art by Denise Dorn, Gaylon Gillem, Rand Harmon, Barbara Culler, Buddy Godinez, Marcia Bizeau, Bruce Chapman, Bernice Landrum, Billie Long, Bruce Dietrich, Jeff St. John, Izzy Mike & Georgia Lagg, Falling Rock Pottery and Langley Lamps. Open Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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Solo show of Michael Hurd's latest works opened Aug. 16. The gallery also includes works by Peter Hurd, Henriette Wyeth Hurd, Andrew Wyeth, Jamie Wyeth, Carol Hurd Rogers and Peter de la Fuente. Works can be viewed Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and by appointment on Sunday.

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546 Sudderth, Ruidoso by the traffic lights at Paradise Canyon, 257-1036.

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Four Seasons Mall at 2500 Sudderth, Ruidoso, 257-6906.

Twenty local artists featuring oil, pastel, acrylic, wood working, sculpture, metal art, Victorian lamps, ceramics and tile. New artists welcome. Meetings at 5:30 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month.

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Lincoln Heritage Trust, Lincoln 653-4025.

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. Scheduled to close for the winter Nov. 1.

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Hwy. 380, Lincoln, 653-4372.

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Mtn. Arts Gallery & Framing

2530 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso, 257-9748

The gallery features originals and prints by local artist Teri Sodd. Prints by Bill Jaxon, Michael Atkinson, Judy Larson, Dale Terbush, Robert Carver and Suanne Wamsley. Handmade artifacts, pottery, kachinas and rugs also available. Open seven days, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Museum of the Horse

Hwy. 70, Ruidoso Downs, 378-4442.

Through Sunday: "The Cowboy Boot: Soul of the American West." Winter hours: Museum hours 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.

Quemada Studio & Gallery

2415 Sudderth Dr., #3, Ruidoso, 257-5743.

Located at LeClaire's Mountain Village. Colorful paintings of people and places. Studio hours are 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday through Saturday and by appointment.

Red Rose Art Studio

County Rd. E016, Hondo, 653-4203.

The studio of Hondo Valley artist Paula White features her works in oil, acrylic and porcelain in styles from impressionistic to abstract expression. Weekly classes are held on Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call for hours.

Sacred Images, Angels & Icons

416 First St., Ruidoso, 257-6627

New Orleans artist Jim Leasure specializes in portraits of clients' guardian angels. He also paints angelic themed school and church murals, ceilings and walls of private homes and businesses. His studio is open to the public by appointment.

Spring Canyon Gallery

The Gazebo Place, 2117 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso, 257-1561.

Creating images of the Southwest in mixed media, acclaimed artist Misha Malpica opens her Spring Canyon studio to the public. Her sculptures are on display at the gallery. Hours: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday, or by appointment call 257-1561 or 257-0205.

The Tree's House

Nogal Canyon Road off Hwy. 37 between mile markers 9/10, Nogal, 354-4206.

The Lags are woodworkers who design and create a variety of functional artworks, including doors, screens and lamps. Located in Nogal at Hwy. 37 and Nogal Canyon Road.

Western Trails Gallery

320 East Smokey Bear Blvd., Capitan 354-4203.

Original western oils, a collection of quality Indian jewelry and artifacts, unique ethnographic and regional crafts. Featured artist is Jei Wei Zhou whose oil paintings take a western/southwestern theme.

White Mtn. Pottery Gallery

2328 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso, 257-3644.

Featuring Tim Wierwille's landscaped series, Will and Johana DeMay, Chris Heede, Larry Davidson, Vicki Conley, Ivy Heyman, Alan Butler and Bill Campbell. Call for gallery hours.

White Oaks Pottery Studio

3 1/2 miles NE of White Oaks, 648-2985.

From her hand-built adobe studio, potter Ivy Heyman throws mostly functional pieces in the shadow of Patos Mountain. The studio is open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday through Sunday. Call first to confirm.

Tour d'Art at the Las Cruces Mesilla Valley Mall

The Sixth Annual Mesilla Valley Fine Arts Exhibit will adopt a French theme this year, calling the show Tour d'Art. The exhibition runs October 19-25 at the Mesilla Valley Mall in Las Cruces.

Reminiscent of a French Cafe street scene, umbrella tables and French music will set the stage for the opening reception at 7 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 18. This juried and judged exhibition features 75 paintings and 10 sculptures by the region's finest artists. In addition to selecting the work of several southern and northern New Mexico artisans, Albuquerque judge David Schwindt included

paintings, photography and sculpture from more than a dozen Texas artists, as well as artistry from Colorado and California.

Artists will share more than \$9,000 in prize money and guaranteed purchases. As a special memorial to Jim Hoover, a \$1,200 Best of Show award will be given in his memory. Hoover was a tireless worker of past exhibitions and treasurer of the Mesilla Valley Fine Arts Gallery, the exhibition sponsor. The Dona Ana Youth Choir will receive a grant from the exhibition and will perform at the opening reception.

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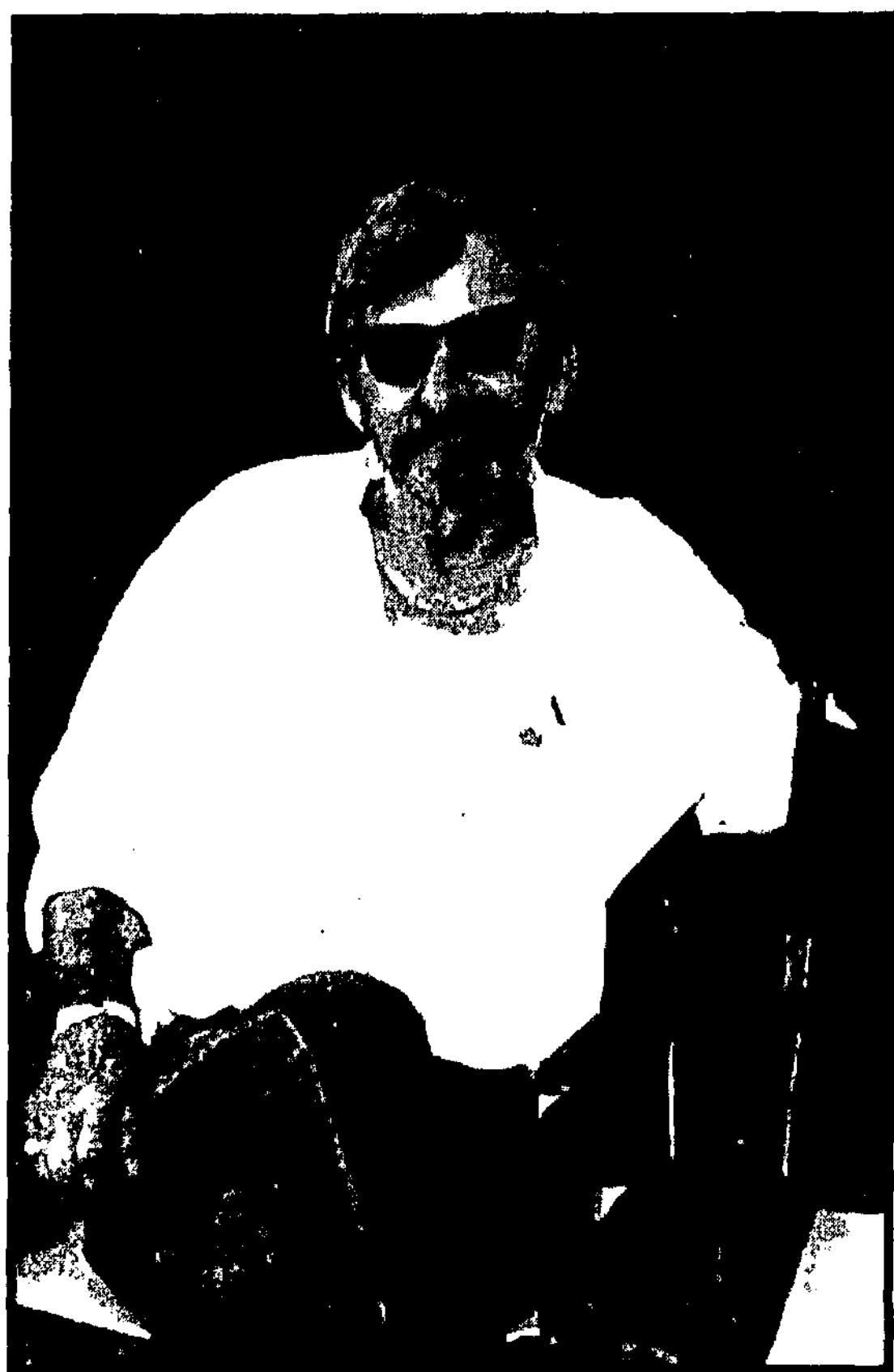




The Arts

Gib Singleton G puts the spiritual back into art

story by Sandy Suggit
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER



GIB SINGLETON

Gib Singleton's body of work is emotional and spiritual, sometimes sacred burlesque - earthy and ghostly, comic and tragic - but always expressing the inner depths of its subjects, whether saints or sinners, cowboys or crucifixions.

He started drawing Christ figures in the sand when he was 3 years old, and his work continues to express the spiritual side of life, sometimes with a touching drollness.

"I don't know why I do what I do," he said, "other than the fact that I think one of these days I would like to put the spiritual back into art."

Attracted by art and history, he leapt through school and scholarships, one of which (a Fulbright fellowship) sent him to the Vatican in his early 20s to work as a staff artist for three years. There, he sculpted and worked on the restoration of the Tomb of David and the ceiling of the Sistine

Chapel.

His silver crucifix with a bowed cross was chosen by Pope John Paul II and two other cardinals. The pope carries this cross on his staff and will be buried with it. A bronze and wood crucifix of Singleton's rests beside the Holy Shroud of Turin in Italy. Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis enlisted him to help with the reconstruction of hundreds of pieces of centuries-old art destroyed by the floods of the early 1960s.

At the Belle Di Arte Academy on another Fulbright fellowship, Singleton was awarded the prestigious first-place in sculpture.

Golda Meir's extensive collection of his work was left to the state of Israel and a major bronze piece hangs in Yad Vashin Memorial in Jerusalem.

This side of the water, Robert Redford, Kevin Costner, Peter Max and Andy Warhol are among a great many who are Singleton collectors. His sculptures and paint-

ings are in public collections at the Museum of Modern Art, the Museum of Natural History, the Cowboy Hall of Fame in Oklahoma City, and the Rodeo Hall of Fame, to name just a few.

The subjects of his sculptures range from mythological and religious to historical and contemporary figures, such as "Ride Free," a bronze cowboy on a Harley Davidson, or "Sideline Warrior," a football player modeled after John Elway, a friend of his.

"It's almost like football players are gladiators," Singleton said chuckling. "He's standing there on the sideline ready to do battle; he has that determination."

Another piece, "White Man's Medicine," is a Native American sitting on a stump - in a posture similar to Rodin's "Thinker" - with a bottle of whiskey in one hand and his staff in the other.

"You take an Indian who is free of sin, just pure, a pure person living off the fat of the land, and then along comes the white man with the whiskey bottle. His whole world has changed," Singleton said.

And then there's Grace, the elegant, stylish, sensual, comical old lady who has graced posters and greeting cards for years - and will



"GRACE"



"HORSESHOE PLAYERS"

again soon, according to Singleton's business manager and friend, Eve Harris.

Harris told how Singleton came back from Europe in his late 20s, penniless, and met a woman in her 80s who would become the model for his one-line drawings. He named her "Grace" because, he said, despite her wrinkles and sagging breasts, he saw that her beauty had traveled inside, transforming her.

"I see women as beautiful," he said, "and when a woman gets into her 50s, 60s, 70s, she begins to lose her physical aspect of beauty, and people have a tendency to think that the beauty of woman is over at that point. Wrong. The beauty of woman goes inside a woman and becomes a spiritual thing, and the spiritual thing is the class and elegance and grace."

Although these pieces are whimsical, there is also something of the sacred in them, and this is a characteristic of the artist who cre-

ated them. Singleton takes his art seriously, and sees it as his way to make a difference in the world in a very short period of time.

"The Millennium," a sculpture Singleton describes as "a pretty tough piece of sculpture" has God taking his son back from the world in disgust after 2000 years.

"In Michelangelo's Sistine Chapel, in the center is God touching Adam, giving life to Adam," Singleton explained.

"I had this idea ... God is his father, right, he's holding the dead Christ, he's come back to earth 2000 years later and is pissed off at what man has done to his son ... and he's taking his son away from humanity."

Singleton sees people beginning to think for themselves for the first time in history, and he feels

it's important for artists like him to make a statement.

"I would like to come up with something that would make a hell of a lot of difference to us," he said. "Maybe something that would express the power of thought, the power of feeling, and the power of individuals thinking."



"FRIARS"

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GIB SINGLETON



DETAIL OF "FRIARS"

Singleton's works available locally

Santa Fe sculptor Gib Singleton came to Ruidoso over Labor Day weekend for a show of his work at Fenton's Gallery in Ruidoso Downs.

"I was introduced to his work by a friend of his, a movie producer who lives in Albuquerque part-time," Fenton said. "I really liked the artist and I bought six pictures and suggested doing a show for Labor Day."

She had never heard of his work, she said, because he's well-known in Europe and is just starting to get known here.

"I really liked his vivid colors and his humor, and I like the elongated designs on some of the women," said Peggy Fenton, who has some of his paintings and sculptures in her gallery. "His work is very detailed, and he has a style of his own. I've never seen anyone that's done the type of work he does. His work has a lot of feelings; his work isn't stiff at all."

Several of Singleton's pieces are for sale at Fenton's Gallery.



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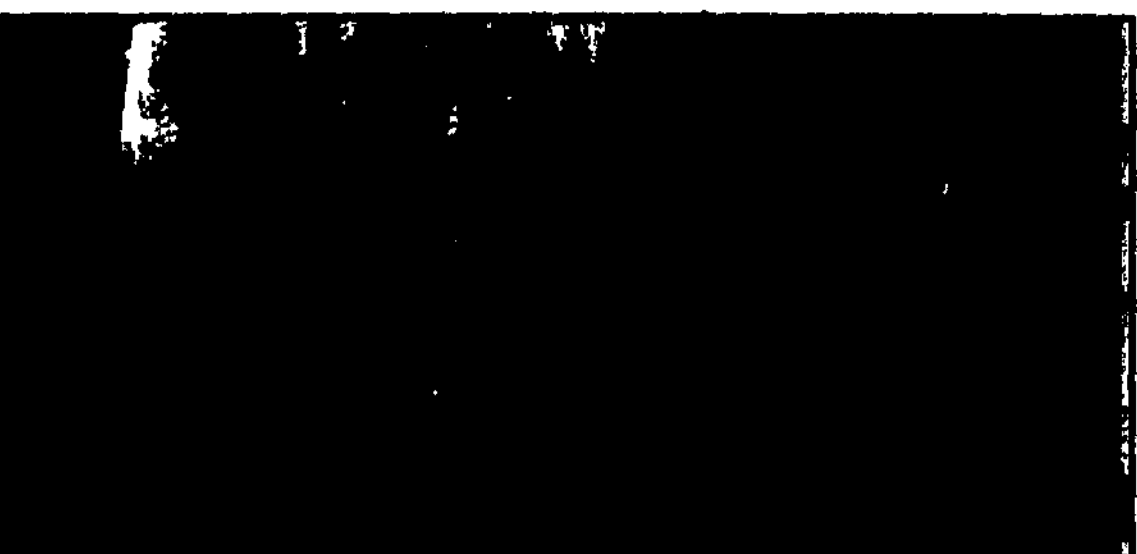
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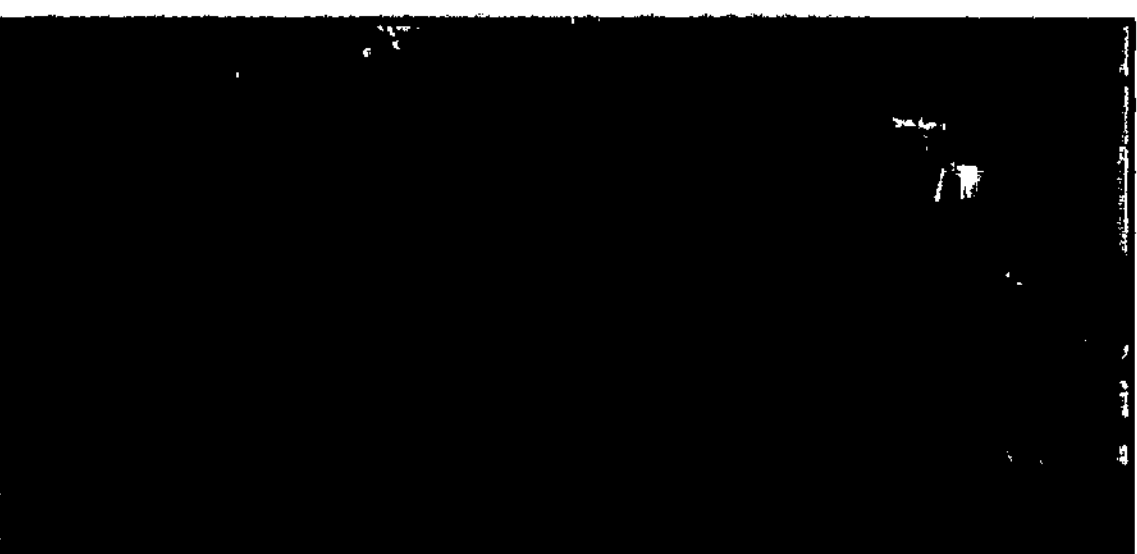
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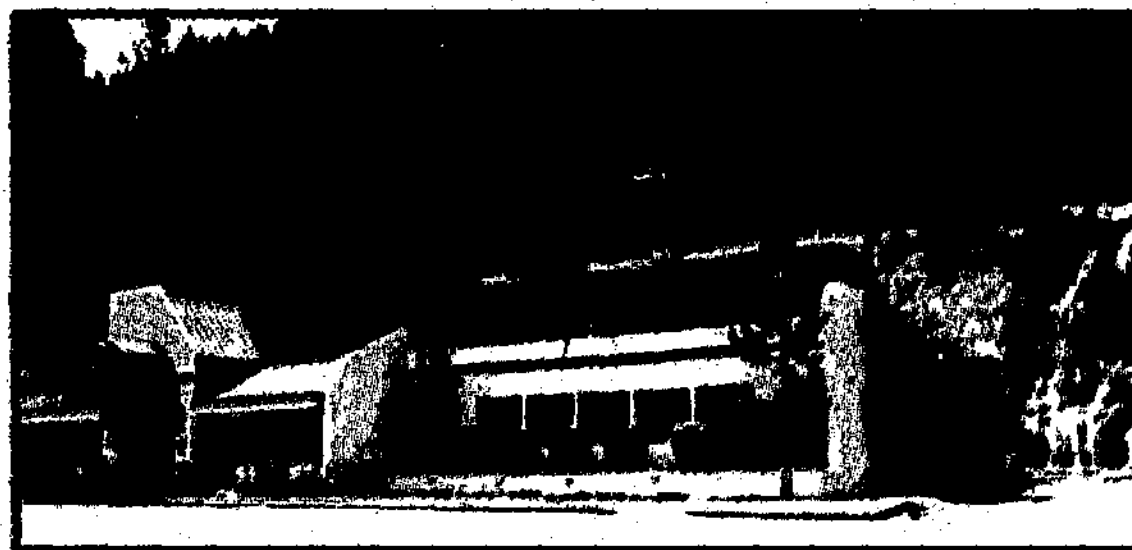
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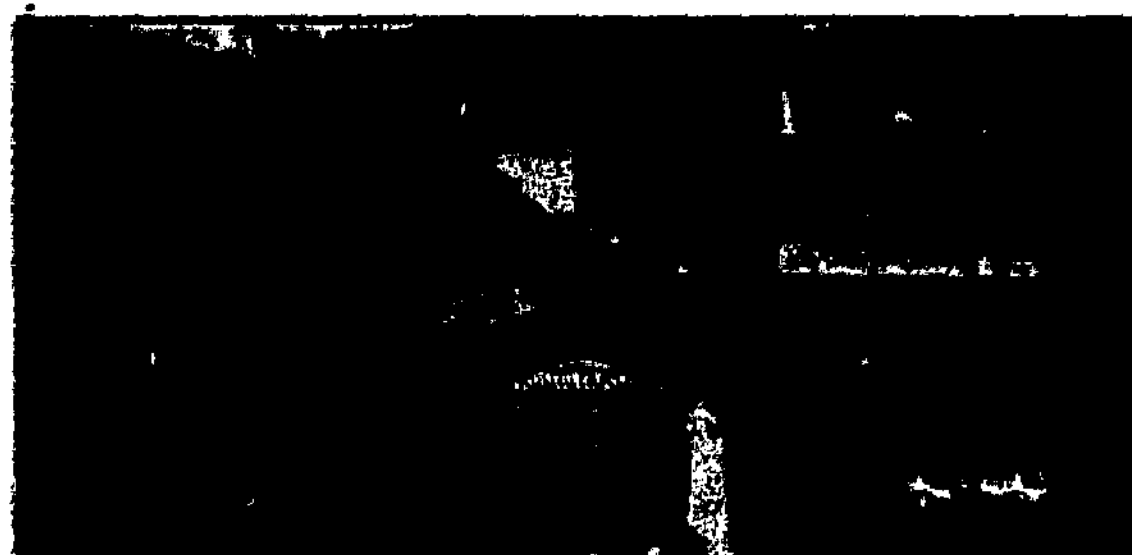
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GOING OUT

a bigger and better Oktoberfest

stories by Meredith Keeton
VAMOS STAFF WRITER

This year's Oktoberfest, today and Saturday at the Ruidoso Convention Center, has grown in the number of performers and food vendors, said to Lisa Muhn of the Ruidoso Chamber of Commerce.

The event will feature authentic German dance groups, seven food vendors serving German favorites, arts and crafts vendors, a Kinderhall with children's activities and a drink bar offering German drinks.

Entertainment begins today at 5 p.m. and continues through midnight. Bands featured will be the Die Polka Schlingels with a 13-piece band from Albuquerque and Swing Shift from Albuquerque. Dance groups include The Enzian Schuplattlers from Albuquerque and The Olympic Flame Dancers from El Paso, both performing authentic pieces.

Saturday's activities are slated from noon until midnight. Admission is \$5 for one day and \$8 for both days. Children under 18 are admitted free of charge. Tickets will be sold at the door.



DIE POLKA SCHLINGELS perform today and Saturday at Oktoberfest.

LOTS OF FUN
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TAP today and
Saturday at
Ruidoso's
Oktoberfest
celebration at
the Ruidoso
Convention
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Q&A

The Enzian Schuplattlers from Albuquerque will be one of the featured dance groups at this weekend's Oktoberfest celebration. Longtime group member Carol Rehdein explains what makes the Enzian Schuplattlers kick up their heels.

Q. How many people are in your group?

A. There are fourteen dancers; six couples and two singles.

Q. How long have you all been dancing together?

A. The group's been together for 14 years.

Q. Have all of you been with the group since the beginning?

A. More than half of us have been dancing together for at least 10 years.

Q. What kind of dances do you do?

A. They're Bavarian and Austrian folk dances, schupplattler to be exact.

Q. What's the best part of working with the Enzian Schuplattlers?

A. We travel a lot and have fun together.

MORE Q&A

Albuquerque's Swing Shift has made its name performing polkas and waltzes at Oktoberfest celebrations. The five-piece band has broadened its horizons to include the Big Band and Dixieland sounds as well. Twenty-five year Swing Shift veteran Jack Cutshall had this to say about the band.

Q. How large is your band?

A. It's a five-piece now.

Q. When did you start playing together?

A. The trumpet player and I started playing together 25 years ago, and the rest of the group, except our drummer, got together 15 years ago. Our drummer's still in her trial period.

Q. What kind of music do you play?

A. We offer a big variety, a lot of polkas (because it's Oktoberfest) and waltzes. We will also play some 40s Big Band, Latin,

Dixieland and a little bit of country.

Q. How did you first get involved with Oktoberfest?

A. We were asked to play one many years ago, and we've added to our repertoire to meet the demand for Oktoberfest performers.

Q. What's the best part about performing?

A. Watching the crowd have a good time. The more fun they have, the harder we work.

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Keeping with the family tradition



Drew Gamber
LINCOLN HERITAGE
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There are many who claim that Hardin was a reformed man when he got out of prison. I don't know why they say that. He did, after all, become a lawyer.

He was usually called Mannie Clements to distinguish him from one of the men whose shadow he grew up in, namely his father, known as Mannen. They were both born Emmanuel Jr. and Sr., respectively. Mannen was first cousin to John Wesley Hardin, the deadliest gun-fighter of all time, and that served as another shadow that loomed large throughout the youth of the young man known as Mannie.

Being involved in arguments in which firearms figured conspicuously seemed to be something of a family trait. Mannen has been quoted as making remarks to the effect of "I'd cut anyone in half with a sawed-off shotgun for \$300." Charming.

Ultimately, Mannen was gunned down in a saloon — something that also seems to have been a family trait.

Mannie was born January 16, 1868, the same year that his then-15-year-old cousin John Wesley Hardin began his deadly career. Some of the youth's earliest memories must have been tales of his infamous relation.

Hardin was many things, but the world's best role model he wasn't.

When Mannie was 19, his father, Manpen, ran afoul of Ballinger, Texas City Marshal Joe Townsend. In a saloon brawl, Townsend dropped the elder Clements with a single bullet through the heart. There is no record of Mannie's feelings on the matter, but it's a good



MANNIE CLEMENTS

bet that he approved when his uncle-by-marriage, Jim Miller, in an attempt to assassinate Townsend, succeeded only in blowing the Marshal's arm off.

Oh yes, Jim Miller. We can't forget him. "Deacon" Jim, or "Killin'" Jim was the Old West's most notorious assassin-for-hire. Before he was finally lynched in Ada Oklahoma on April 19, 1909, Miller may have murdered as many as 50 men. No one will ever know for sure. Mannie had quite an interesting family.

Pecos

In 1889, 21-year-old Mannie accompanied Miller to Pecos, Texas. According the reminiscences of those present, Mannie was determined to make a name for himself as a killer. This isn't exactly a surprise when you think about the atmosphere in which he grew up. He wasn't too successful, though. At one time he hired himself out as a gun-for-hire to the citizens of Alpine, Texas, who wanted to rid the town of someone they considered to be a detriment to the community — which is to say, a troublemaker. Mannie lost out on being paid when he missed the target and killed the proverbial innocent bystander. Feeling that anyone could make a mistake, Mannie returned to Pecos undaunted.

Four years later, in 1893, he got another opportunity. Mannie, Jim Miller, and a shadowy character called "M Q. Hardin," attempted to assassinate Reeves County Sheriff Bud Frazer. There had been bad blood between Miller and Frazer, and Miller intended to bury the hatchet — preferably in

Frazer's head.

The plot, as they so often do, went awry, and Frazer survived. Miller was determined, however, and on June 1, he and Frazer met again. And again, the results were not what Killin' Jim had been hoping for. But this time, Frazer had ambushed Jim, so Miller decid-

PAST TENSE

ed to take the Sheriff to court and get rid of him legally. To do this, he needed a lawyer. Mannie sent a wire to John Wesley Hardin, recently released from prison and looking to get his fledgling law practice off to a good start.

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Of laws and lawyers

Because of strong partisan feeling on both sides, the trial was moved to El Paso. When Clements, basking in reflected glory, rode into town with his two infamous relatives, the town was electrified. Hardin, despite spending 16 or so years in prison, was still an instantly recognizable name in Texas, and Jim Miller had been notorious for years.

On April 14, 1895, attorney John Wesley Hardin entered the courtroom to represent Jim Miller. He couldn't have been more poorly prepared. Unfortunately, John Wesley had done most of his preparing for the trial in the company of lots of toadies, liquor and prostitutes, who, uh, affected his concentration. Luckily, though, the jury members, who were also impressed with Hardin's reputation acquired before he was a lawyer, decided it would be in everyone's best interest if they were unable to agree on a verdict. A second trial was scheduled to be held in September of 1895 in Colorado City, Texas. Ultimately, Frazer was acquitted, for all the good it did him.

On September 14, 1896, Miller and Frazer met for the last time. On that day, in Toyah, Texas, Miller spied Frazer playing cards in a saloon. Depending on which version you read, Frazer either saw or did not see Miller a moment or so before Miller used both barrels of a shotgun to turn Frazer's head into a fine red mist.

John Wesley Hardin didn't live long enough to see the September 1895 trial or the September 1896 killing of Frazer. Hardin himself had been shot from behind in the Acme Saloon by El Paso Constable John Selman in August of 1895.

Mannie the lawman

By 1908, Mannie Clements had been working for some time as an El Paso constable and was something of an enforcer of the law in the truest sense. He was considered to be a formidable opponent in a gunfight — it was just unwise to cross him. At the age of 40, Mannie was finally getting the attention that he had craved almost since birth.

Over the years, he had also developed some political ambitions. He ran for police captain and lost, but during the campaign, rumors began to circulate that Mannie was involved with the organized crime that had been running rampant in El Paso for several years. (Between 1903 and 1907, there had been some 49 unsolved and/or unprosecuted murders.)

There may well have been something to these rumors. Mannie and his wife of six years, Effie, seemed to always have an abundance of cash and people couldn't help but notice when they paid for a new house in cash. As a lawman, he made \$30 a week.

Mannie did a lot of gambling, and it may have been a factor in his separation from Effie in the summer of 1908. In addition, since the death of John Wesley Hardin, Mannie had developed an almost psychotic animosity toward anyone remotely connected with the incident.

John Selman, the triggerman in Hardin's death, had been unwillingly removed from the planet in 1896 at the hands of yet another lawman, George Scarborough. (Lawmen seemed to kill each other in Old El Paso with amazing regularity.)

Nevertheless, Mannie was always "on the prod" when talk turned to the death of John Wesley Hardin. Most of the participants involved in the last days of Hardin were either dead and/or gone. But one man remained who Clements felt shouldn't have: Albert Bacon Fall. Fall had been the attorney who defended John Selman at his trial. Mannie thought it would be a nice thing if Fall were to suddenly die.

Mannie made at least two attempts on Fall's life, both taking place in saloons and both being foiled by alert patrons who knocked Mannie's gun aside. But this wasn't the worst of Mannie's problems.

The worst of his problems took the form of a Chicago gentleman of Dutch extraction named Sam Van Rooyen. Van Rooyen, while a successful businessman, appears not to have had a lick of sense otherwise. Festooned in expensive jewelry and flashing a large wad of bills, Van Rooyen made the rounds of the El Paso saloons. When he was relieved of all this excess weight by well-meaning thieves, Van Rooyen claimed to have recognized Mannie Clements as one of the bandits.

The end

Before the trial began, Mannie loudly announced that "he hoped the jurors loved life as much as he, if they got his meaning." During the trial, Mannie busied himself by glaring at the jurors, one by one. Apparently, they got his meaning. He was acquitted.


The incident, however, cost him his job as constable. In December of 1908, he ran for deputy sheriff and lost. It was also rumored that he was hiring out as an assassin at the exorbitant sum of \$1,500 per job. And there were some mysterious killings in El Paso about that time.

It was about 6 p.m. on December 29, 1908, when Mannie Clements strolled into the Coney Island Saloon. The details of the last moments of Mannie Clements' life are confused, but apparently he became involved in arguments with several men. No one could later agree on just who had fired the fatal shot, some claiming that they had seen a man in a long coat and hat rush out the back door just after the shot was fired. Eyewitnesses saw Clements stagger, put a hand to the back of his head and turn and face the man with whom he had most recently argued. He staggered again, seemed to right himself for a moment and then, grabbing for the edge of the bar, twisted and fell on his back.

It was never definitely established who fired the fatal shot. A bartender named Joe Brown was tried and acquitted. Popular opinion at the time favored Coney Island owner (and close friend of Pat Garrett) Tom Powers, who had once been known as a trick shot. One of the reasons that bartender Brown was acquitted was that he was standing so close to the victim that there would have had to have been powder burns on Clements' head. There were none. Powers, however, stood about six feet away.

In the end, it made no difference. The 20th century had arrived and the day of the gunfighters was over. Mannie Clements had been born into a gunfighting family and had died in the family tradition.

Sources: "Encyclopedia of Western Gunfighters" by Bill O'Neal; "John Wesley Hardin, "Dark Angel of Texas" by Leon Metz; "The Last Gunfighter" by Richard Marohn; and True West magazine story "The Last of the Breed" by Patrick King.



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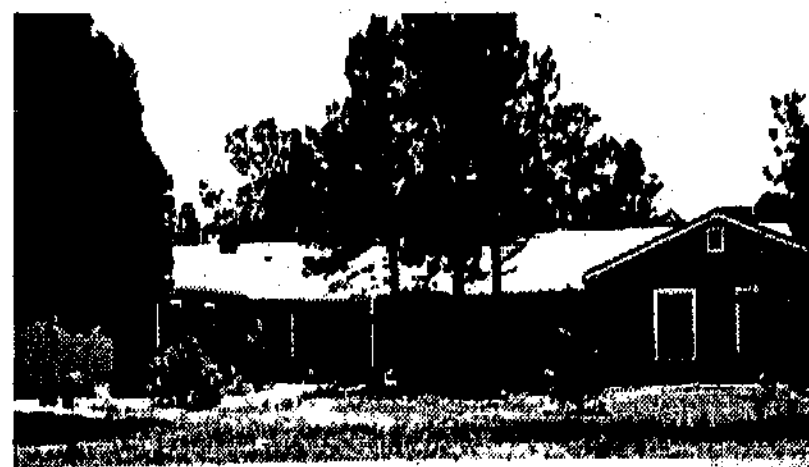
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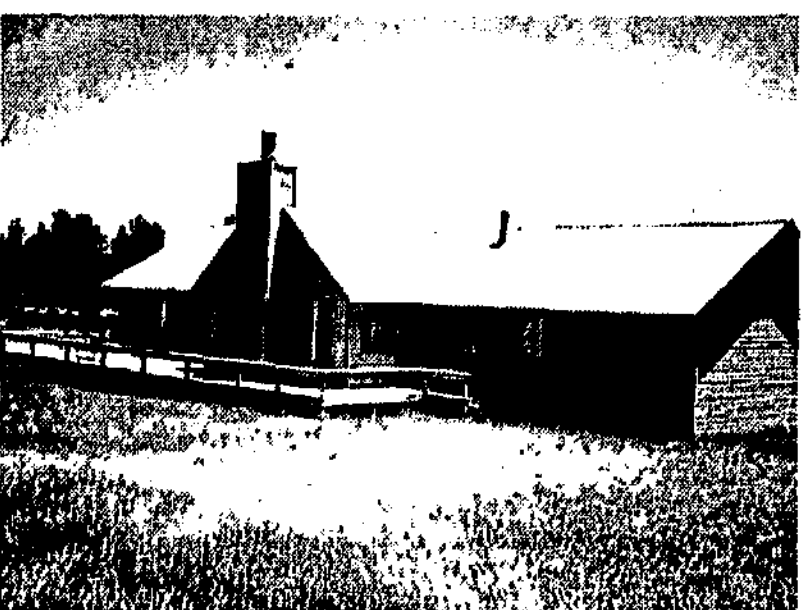
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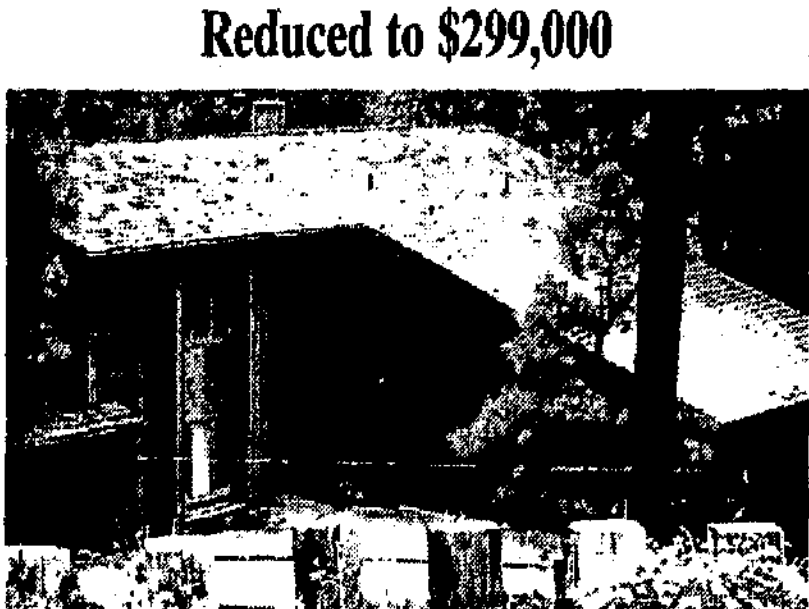
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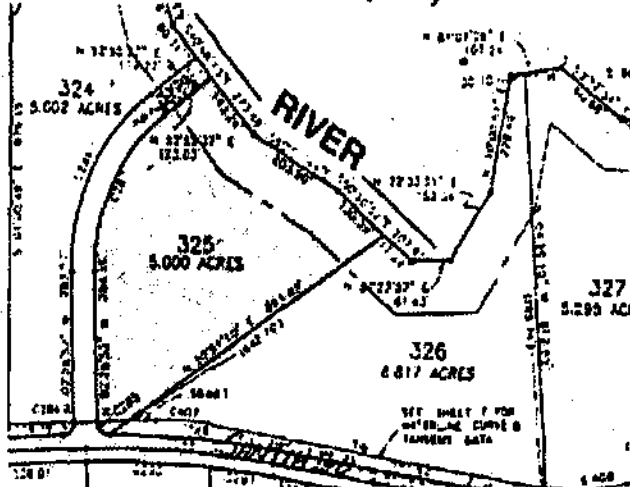
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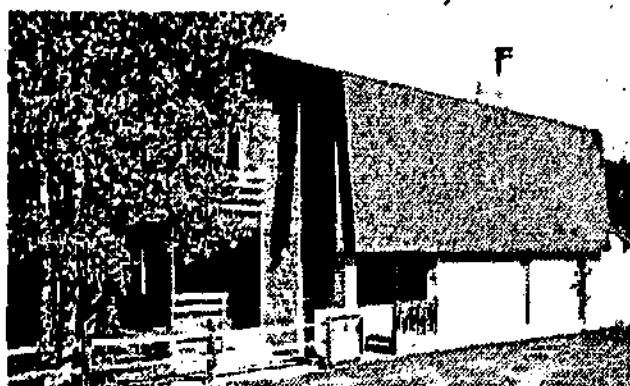
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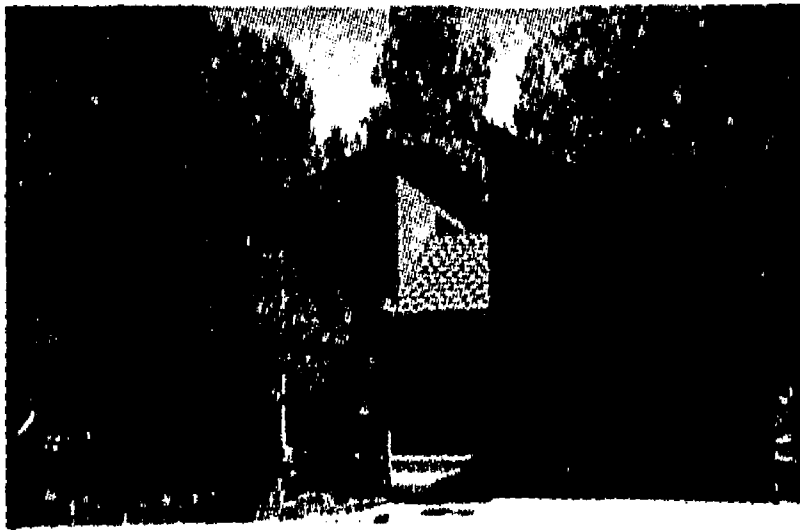
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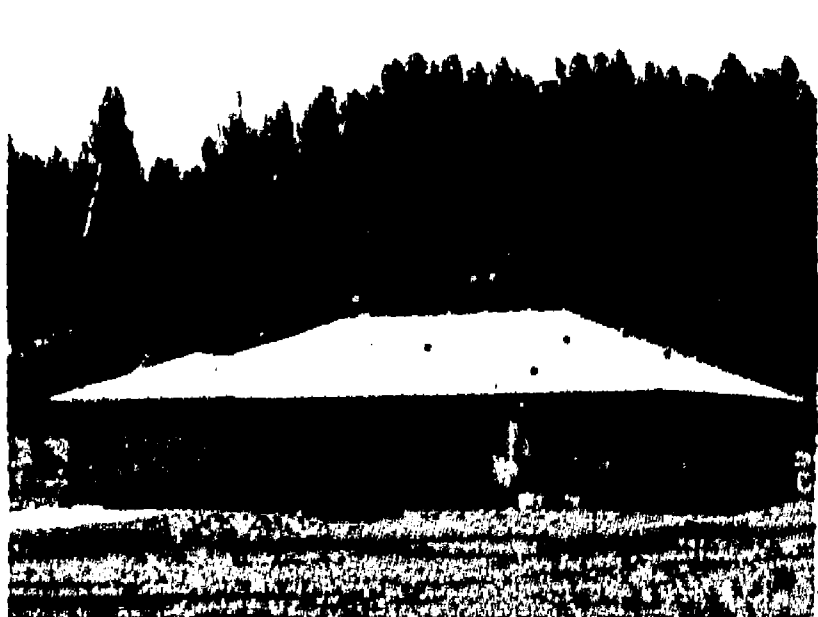
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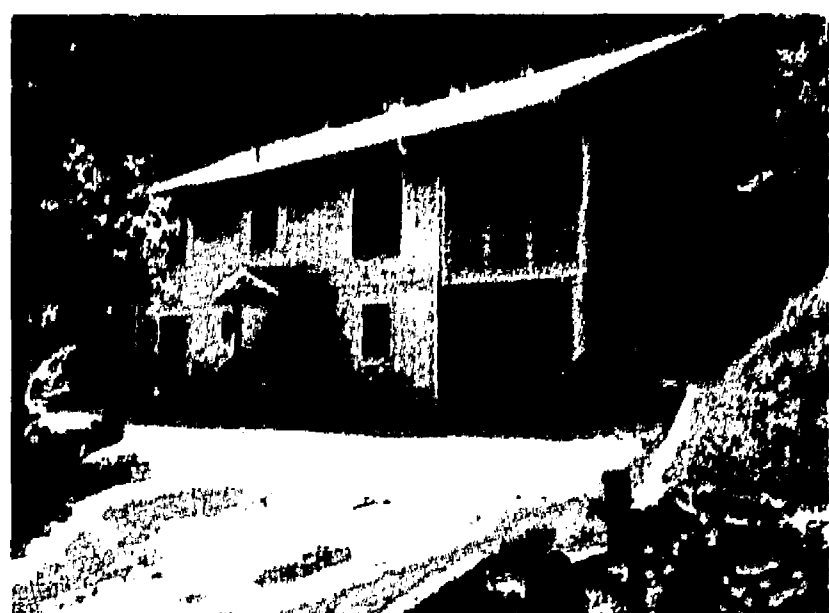
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