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Village annexation recommended despite opposition

BY TONI K. LAXSON
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Ruidoso either surrounds their land or is attached, and they have village water and sewer lines but some people don't want to be annexed into the village.

Most landowners responding to a village survey said "No" to five proposed annexations. However, only a small percentage of the landowners responded at all, Ruidoso village staff said.

Despite negative responses, the Ruidoso Ad Hoc Annexation

Committee decided this week it was time for five "islands" of unincorporated land to join the rest of the village. While one of the pockets is surrounded by Ruidoso the remainder are adjacent to the village.

"If you are getting the benefits, then you should be paying as everybody else does," Robert Donaldson, committee chair as well as a village councilor, said.

The Ruidoso Village Council at its regular meeting on Jan 27 will vote on the annexation of the following areas:

• A section above the Sleepy Hollow subdivision,

• A section containing the Chateaux Village,

• A section including the Carrizo Road frontage area and the Camelot Crown Estates,

• A section including frontage road along U.S. Highway 70, and

• A section along Gavilan Canyon Road with some school grounds and ball fields as well as homes.

If the council approves the proposed annexations, they would be passed to the New Mexico Boundary Commission for a decision, said Cleatus Richards, director of the village's planning department and an

advisor to the committee.

The Boundary Commission, which looks at how well a municipality will provide services to a proposed annexed area and its continuity to the municipality when considering approval, usually takes about six months to deliver a ruling. Richards said landowners in the annexed areas would have 30 days to appeal any ruling.

While the majority of the targeted pockets of land are undeveloped, a few, such as the Gavilan Canyon Road area, have homes on them.

Last summer, the annexation com-

mittee considered annexing about 300 lots in Gavilan Canyon, but dropped the idea because the cost of providing village services to the area was prohibitive.

The five areas being proposed would not carry the same costs because most already receive police protection, street services and most either have water and sewer lines installed or have the ability to tie on fairly easily.

"They would have minimal cost to the village, if any," said Donaldson,

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Julie Baxter/Ruidoso News

Sierra Vista Primary School student Nicole Warner cuts out part of her "I have a dream" poster Wednesday. Warner and the rest of Carol Bartlett's second-grade class learned about historic civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. this week. The lesson included reading King's biography and making posters with their own dreams for their communities, their country and the world.

"Everybody should be treated the same..."

Students have Kingly dreams

BY JULIE BAXTER
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Nearly 30 years have passed since Martin Luther King Jr. was assassinated in Memphis, Tenn. but his vision lives on in Ruidoso.

Just ask Nikkee Johnson. She has a dream, too.

"I have a dream that I won't grow up in a world where I will be judged by the color of my skin," said Johnson, a student at Sierra Vista Primary School.

Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday will be recognized nationally on Monday although it actually is Jan 15.

Johnson and her classmates in Carol Bartlett's second-grade class learned about King and his mission this week and then drafted dreams of their own.

Though the students are young, Bartlett said King's messages of non-violence and equality aren't lost on them.

"They have a strong sense of what's right and wrong when they're young," she said.

Bartlett read a biography of the civil rights leader to her class and held discussions with them on why he was such an important voice in American history.

When asked why he was a man

to be remembered, the students had plenty to say.

"Martin Luther King said a prayer in Washington, D.C. There he said he had a dream that his four children, when they grew up, wouldn't be judged by the color of their skin but by the color of their character," said Andrea Montes.

Other students like Whitney Sowell told stories of King's experiences in a whites-only shoe store and his refusal to step to the back of the line. Instead, she explained, that he told that store owner he wouldn't buy any shoes at all if he couldn't stand where he was.

Carl Lueras said; "He was a great man. He wanted everybody to be nice to each other."

The students obviously got the message that King was brave for standing up for what he believed in.

"Everybody should be treated the same," Sowell said. "It's not the color of their skin, it's how they act (that matters)."

► What's closing

Federal, state and county offices will be closed in celebration of the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday.

Local banks and post offices also will be closed.

Students at Eastern New Mexico University-Ruidoso and in the Ruidoso School District will get the day off.

Village offices in Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs will be open.

Council buries excavation law

• Ruidoso village councilors agreed a new law overseeing dirt work done on development would be unnecessary and too taxing for most projects.

BY TONI K. LAXSON
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Saying they were trying to relax building regulations rather than increase them, Ruidoso village councilors this week killed off a proposed law on excavation and grading requirements.

"I'm just curious where the need for this came from. It looks to me that we were trying to liberalize things, make things easier for the builders," Councilor Bob Sterchi said before the vote. "It seems like we are just building things back up for them again."

The new ordinance, part of the Uniform Building Code, was proposed to the council Tuesday as a companion to a more lenient hillside protection ordinance. Both are designed alleviate flooding caused by construction on sloped lots, village staff said.

The hillside ordinance was adopted about 10 years ago by Ruidoso leaders also as a way to discourage construction on sloped lots, village staff said. However, sloped lots now represent the majority of available land, and developers have increasingly complained about the law's extensive requirements.

Even though it's been relaxed, the hillside protection law, which also was up for a vote Tuesday, remained too stringent to be reasonable, developers said.

In a hearing on the ordinance, developers suggested several changes. The council tabled a vote on the amendment to incorporate those suggestions. The revised law is to come back for another public hearing and possible vote at the Feb. 10 council session.

It will be the third public hearing on the hillside protection ordinance. In May, the village council tossed out another proposed amendment to the ordinance because it was too restrictive for the construction of single family

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Rep. Williams to push 'lifeblood' improvements

• Two projects are in the works for the highway — one to repave it from Ruidoso to the racetrack and another to expand the road to four lanes west to the Inn of the Mountain Gods.

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It's Ruidoso's lifeblood, according to Dub Williams.

Residents know the importance of U.S. Highway 70 to their local tourism economy, the Republican state representative said this week.

Now, "the (state) legislature has to understand that," said Williams, who is on the Legislative Transportation Committee.

Williams, a Glencoe resident, met Monday with other area leaders to discuss projects to upgrade and expand Highway 70. On Tuesday, Williams reviewed that meeting for the Ruidoso Village Council.

"We had legislators, we had mayors, we had county commissioners — all the players all along the highway met yesterday. And we talked about the issue of Highway 70 and its

importance to us," Williams said.

The New Mexico Highway and Transportation Department has two projects underway to improve the east-west thoroughfare for the Ruidoso area.

First, an estimated \$8 million project still in the design phase will expand the highway west of Ruidoso from two lanes to four, said Allan Whitesel, a project development engineer with the highway department. Actual work on the stretch of road is not expected to start until November 1998 at the earliest, Whitesel said.

The other project, heading east from the intersection of Sudderth Drive, calls for the repaving of about 6 miles of Highway 70 to the entrance of the Ruidoso Downs Race Track. This project is expected to cost \$5.7 million and the construction bid will probably be awarded in April or May, said Robert Salazar, design engineer for the project. Williams, however, told Ruidoso councilors that highway officials told him the road work in Ruidoso Downs would be completed before the racing season starts in May.

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RUIDOSO'S THREE-DAY WEATHER OUTLOOK

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Low ... 19



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SATURDAY High ... 54
Low ... 17



Mostly Cloudy

SUNDAY High ... 48
Low ... 21



Partly Cloudy

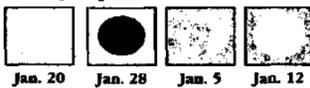
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Ruidoso Readings	High	Low	Precip.
Tuesday	49	20	.00"
Wednesday	46	18	.00"
Thursday	51	12	.00"

Regional-Friday	High	Low	Forecast
Albuquerque	53	26	Partly Cloudy
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Lubbock, TX	62	32	Partly Cloudy
Midland, TX	68	33	Partly Cloudy



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ANNEXATION: five 'islands' left out of the village due to possible error

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who described the proposed annexations as cost-effective for the village.

How these areas escaped annexation before now is puzzling and would be difficult to trace without reviewing the minutes of council sessions extending back decades, he said.

"It's pure speculation and you just don't know," Donaldson said. "A vote was taken and then it just wasn't recorded or it was lost ... there was some kind of clerical mistake years and years ago ... For whatever reason it's

just not showing up on the tax rolls."

"It's not all that amazing that the pockets of land were left out," he concluded.

The first area, above the Sleepy Hollow subdivision, includes a large, undeveloped parcel whose owner agrees to the annexation and the Gibson tract, which is fully served currently by village services.

The second area, which is next to the Central subdivision, contains Chateaux Village and already has village utilities that could be tied onto. Future developers would be responsible for

putting in roads and tying onto water and sewer lines.

The third area, which includes a portion of Carrizo Road and the Camelot Crown Estates, has no roads in the area above the Carrizo frontage property. Future developers would be responsible for building roads and extending water lines as well as additional water tanks, village staff said. More than 51 percent of the landowners responding to the village's survey in that area are in favor of annexation, staff said.

The fourth area, which includes frontage along a portion

of U.S. Highway 70, has no village roads to maintain and existing water lines on the west side of the highway. It would cost \$8,000 to \$10,000 to provide water lines from Camelot Drive to the proposed annexation area, village staff said. No sewer lines are available to the area.

The fifth area, off of Gavilan Canyon Road, would need some water and sewer line extensions, staff said. While the school district has agreed to the annexation of its lands, homeowners are opposed to the annexation.

Federal disaster relief funds finally made available

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has finally acted on a three-month old request for disaster relief connected to heavy rain storms suffered by New Mexico last summer, according to a release from U.S. Sen. Pet Domenici (R-N.M.)

Lincoln County is one of six counties in the state eligible to receive disaster aid, because of the storms.

According to the USDA, the department granted the disaster designations this week in response to the state's request

for assistance for agricultural losses caused by the heavy rain from May 1 through Aug. 31. The request for assistance was submitted Oct. 22.

The disaster declaration makes family-sized farm operations in designated counties eligible to be considered for low-interest emergency loans from the Farm Service Agency.

DeBaca County is designated as a primary disaster area with Chaves, Guadalupe, Quay, Roosevelt and Lincoln listed as contiguous disaster counties.

Lincoln also is among those counties listed for disaster aid because of back-to-back snowstorms that delivered three feet of snow over the Christmas holidays.

Domenici sent USDA Secretary Dan Glickman a telegram Friday stressing the need for livestock producers in 11 New Mexico counties to access disaster assistance programs for losses incurred during those storms. Gov. Gary Johnson submitted the request Dec. 30.

Domenici said he has renewed his call for the USDA to expedite its consideration of a disaster declaration to make assistance available to New Mexico farmers and ranchers hard hit by late December snow storms.

"While family-run farms and ranches can benefit from disaster assistance for summer storms, I don't want the USDA to wait two or three months before deciding on the latest request for winter storm recovery assistance," Domenici said.

EXCAVATION: 15-page ordinance 'way too restrictive' for home building

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homes.

Cleatus Richards, director of planning for the village, recommended the inclusion of the grading and excavation law when the hillside protection law went through its second revision.

Before the vote Tuesday, Richards and Village Manager Gary Jackson said the new law allows village inspectors a means of monitoring dirt work at construction sites.

"Without the standards in place up front, we have nothing with which to control (builders) in the initial development," Jackson said.

While area builders can be counted on to adhere to good building policies, "we have other builders come in from time to time who may not follow the same standards," Jackson added.

Tim Hoyt, a local builder, was one of only three people to speak during the hearing on the excavation and grading law.

"I've been reading this ordinance, and I believe it's just way too restrictive for what goes on around here," Hoyt said, adding that he could understand applying the ordinance to large commercial construction, but not for homes.

Hoyt said it would take him 45 minutes to present his problems with the 15-page ordinance.

"What I would like to see is for you to deny it," he said.

Councilor Robert Donaldson said most of the homes that

cause drainage problems for other property were built before building codes were adopted.

"Do we penalize future development by over-regulating the sins of the past?" Donaldson said. "There's got to be a compromise here somewhere."

An audience of more than 20 people, most of whom work in the land development industry, applauded after the council voted down the excavation and grading ordinance.

Young men of White Oaks, photographed at the Koch studio, ca. 1900.



Courtesy Robert Leslie, Carrizozo

L.G. SCRAPBOOK

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

White Oaks Eagle Jan. 18, 1900

White Oaks can again boast of its temperate qualities — only one saloon now running. The Palace is a thing of the past — "only a dream."

Robt. Law, from Santa Fe, but now formerly an employee of the Carthage Coal Co., is now foreman of the Old Abe coal mine, having taken charge Monday.

Geo. e. slight was over

from Nogal Monday.

White Oaks Eagle terms of subscription, one year (in advance) \$150; six months \$1; three months 75 cents.

D. Perea, sheriff of this county, visited Santa Fe this week.

The W. O. B & L. Co. has moved the Capitan saw mill into another hill of the Capitan Mountains and will soon be sawing lumber.

L. M. M. McReynolds was here from gray, tuesday. Mr. McReynolds is in charge of the livery business for S. t. Gray at the Salado.

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RUIDOSO SCHOOLS

Lower interest rates speeds bond sale

BY JULIE BAXTER RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A combination of low interest rates and high assessed valuation has pushed the Ruidoso School District's bond sales ahead a year.

The \$8.5 million bond resolution, passed by voters in February, 1997, was scheduled for sale over three years.

But bond analyst Charles Casey told the Ruidoso School Board Tuesday that now is the time sell.

said, he was concerned that interest rates would increase in the spring.

"It's a benefit to tax payers that we take advantage of the extremely low rate," said Superintendent Mike Gladden.

But selling the remainder of the bonds now wouldn't be possible if the district's assessed valuation hadn't increased.

In 1996-97, the district's assessed valuation totaled \$198,839,972.

In 1997-98, that value grew to \$240,716,280 -

an increase of 21 percent.

Gladden said the increase allows the district to sell the remainder of the bonds without extending itself beyond its bonding capacity.

"We can't bond over a certain percent of the assessed valuation of the district," Gladden said.

Caron Snow, district business manager, said the legal bonding capacity for the district is 6 percent of assessed valuation.

can issue or take to voters.

With the 21 percent increase, Snow said, the district's bonding capacity is now a little over \$14 million.

Issuing the bonds earlier may also speed up the timetable for the building projects the money is designated for - additions at Sierra Vista Primary School and White Mountain Elementary School, and auxiliary gymnasiums at the middle school and high school.

The district will take bids for the sale of the remaining \$3.5 million in bonds at 2 p.m., Feb. 10.

District finances given clean bill by auditor

The 1997-98 school year has been in full swing for nearly six months, but the 1996-97 year received high marks at the Ruidoso School Board meeting Tuesday.

Gayland Cowan, an independent public accountant, recapped the district's 1996-97 school year audit for the board.

"It was an excellent audit," said Superintendent Mike Gladden, calling it one of the best the district has had in years.

Caron Snow, district business manager, said the team of auditors was checking to make sure the district complied with state and federal regulations, and has established and maintained effective internal control.

After a week observing district day-to-day operations and pouring over documents and records, the auditors found the district followed all the rules.

She credited the work of all the administrative staff for the successful audit.

"We've had little or no turnover in personnel. That makes a difference," she said.

the duties performed and provides for stronger internal control."

State regulations require every school district in the state to be audited yearly.

In other financial matters, the board heard a food service report from Snow.

To make the food service program self-sustaining, the district contracted three years ago with Aramark, a food service corporation, to provide more marketing and better management - to "beef up" the district's food service program.

Snow said the goal also was to increase participation in the school meal program so the district could receive more reimbursement from the federal government.

reduced-price or paid lunch or breakfast it serves. Increasing the number of meals

served increases federal reimbursement, reducing the amount of subsidies.

The contract with Aramark is meant to reduce the amount of subsidy from the general fund to \$20,000 or \$30,000 a year.

"We continue to budget less to supplement the food service program," Snow said.

The board also approved budget adjustments and cash transfers to the Indian Education Fund.

In other business, the board:

Recognized students selected for the All-State band and choir. Students selected for All-State band are Stephan Hardeeman, Tiffany Skinner, Evan McClendon and Evan Stubbs.

Heard a report on a proposed Area Career Center from Jim Miller, director of Eastern New Mexico University Ruidoso, and Gary Cozzens, Region IX Education Cooperative School-to-Careers coordinator.

DEATHS FUNERALS

John Bennett

John Bennett, 47, of Ruidoso, died Dec. 27.

Bennett, who was in construction, moved to Ruidoso in 1994.

His family will be providing a dinner for a gathering of his friends at the Inn of the Mountain Gods in the Dan Li Ka room on Saturday at noon.

Amalia Montoya

Amalia "Molly" Montoya, 82, a former Ruidoso resident, died Jan. 12 in El Paso.

A prayer service for Montoya will be at 7 p.m. today at LaGrone Funeral Chapel. A funeral service will be at 9 a.m. Saturday at St. Jude's Catholic Church in San Patricio.

will follow at Forest Lawn Cemetery in Ruidoso.

Born in June, 1915, in Glenco, Montoya had lived in Anthony, Texas and Roswell. She was a member of the American Legion and was a homemaker.

Montoya is survived by children Johnny B. Montoya of Roswell, Ray B. Montoya of Arizona, and Mary E. Nunez of Anthony.

Also surviving are sisters Concha Sanchez and Estefinita Sanchez, both of Ruidoso Downs, and Cecelia Moore and Esther Armstrong, both of Roswell; 17 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Arrangements are by LaGrone Funeral Chapel of Ruidoso.

MILITARY SERVICE

Philip D. Bunch

Phillip D. Bunch, son of Monty L. Bunch of Ruidoso, recently completed the Motor Vehicle Operator Course at Marine Corps Detachment, Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

Bunch acquired the specialty skills and technical ability necessary to operate light and medium tactical-wheeled vehicles during various field and convoy operations. Bunch spent more than 1,800 hours of classroom instruction and practical application learning how to drive designated courses on and off road.

Bunch joined the Marine Corps in May, 1997.

Thomas S. Roybal

Air Force Airman Thomas S. Roybal, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas G. Roybal of Capitan, has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air

Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, Roybal studied the Air Force mission, customs, organization, and received special training in human relations.

Those airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

James B. Torres

Army Pvt. James B. Torres, son of Elizabeth L. Shirley and Rudolpho J. Torres of Ruidoso, has entered basic infantry training at Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga.

During the training, Torres will receive instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, customs and courtesies, and first aid.



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OUR OPINION

Vital issues, vital votes

Health care was a central topic at this week's regular meeting of the Lincoln County Commission.

On the one hand, the commission agreed to a five-month experimental program by which all the county's volunteer ambulance people (otherwise known as emergency medical technicians) will come under Ruidoso EMS.

On the other, the commission was told by the administrator of Lincoln County Medical Center that the county's \$1.2 million commitment to the expansion of the hospital guarantees nothing toward completion of the \$2.4 million project.

In the background: Ruidoso EMS is an adjunct of LCMC.

Talk about awkward timing.

Emergency medical services, hospital care, home health care, assisted living, nursing homes, hospice care... These services represent the serious side of living in Ruidoso and just about everywhere else this side of Paradise.

They conjure up the good and bad of living...the joy of birth, the trauma of accidents and illness and surgery, the overwhelming sadness of decline and death.

All so essential in the scheme of things, and all at a price. So when newspaper headlines relate changes in the wind for any of these things, people do pay attention. These are powerful images that conjure up fear above all else; the fear of inadequate response in an emergency, of poorly trained or poorly equipped practitioners, of catastrophic illness and inadequate insurance.

The national argument over health care reform a few years ago was rooted in these fears. When change is mentioned, it's fear of the unknown that first crops up.

And so questions do arise. Lincoln County's elected commissioners took some heat last year when they put the Alto ambulance under Ruidoso EMS. Now that's spreading to all the other communities, after a 3-2 vote, because the commission hopes for higher collections, more accessible training and better coverage. (Actually, trying to increase collection for ambulance service from 20 to 25 percent of the total — which tells something about need.)

Administrator Valerie Miller of LCMC, one never noted to mince words, cited changes in Medicare and other health programs as putting a damper on hospital revenue that might prevent the parent Presbyterian Health Care System from contributing its half. That gave pause to some commissioners, but it was hard to argue Miller's response: "It's the county's hospital." True; and the county has a long-term contract with Presbyterian to operate it. The good news is that, unlike many community hospitals, LCMC is operating in the black.

So, as is the usual case, the commissioners must cope with tough questions, in an election year.

We wish them luck. They'll need it.

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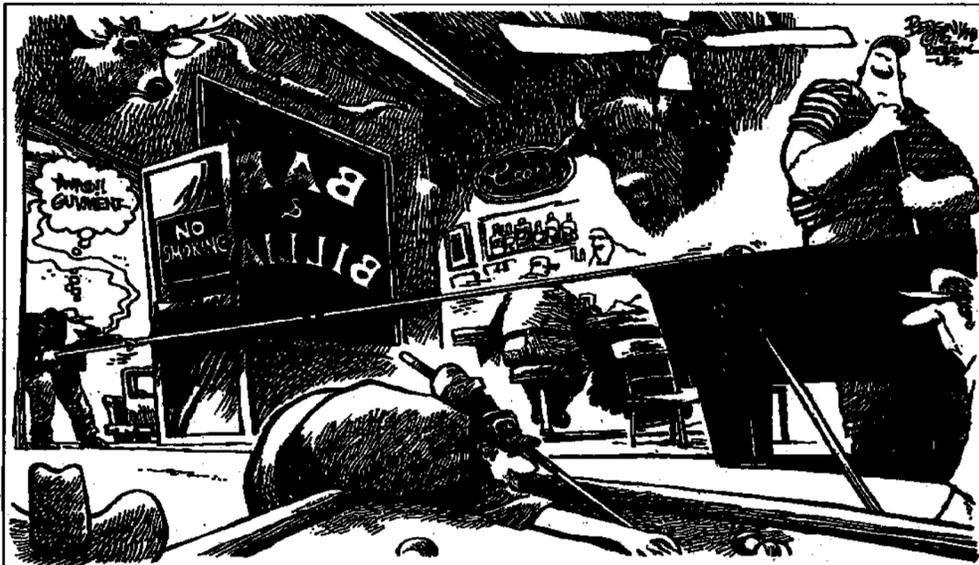
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THE SILVER LINING

January after the storms

This is being sent to you a half hour before high noon on Jan. 13 and will reach you on Friday, Jan. 16, so by then we will be on the half-way mark of January with no cold weather yet this year; and we are actually in what we call "the deep of winter."



BY DAN STORM
COLUMNIST

Today, the west wind is singing down the valley, carrying a warm breath from the desert way to the west. The temperature in the shade of the cedar tree at the gage is 56°.

It seems that the weather spirits have brought us this sunny January to make up for the record snow storms of December. And yet, in spite of all the warm sunny weather, it seems the snow wants to stay.

Over at the foot of the hill the patches of snow are hanging on and the hillside under the piñon and cedar trees you can

see the white specks of snow hiding in the shade.

This is all on the shady side of the vale. On the sunny side it is a different world, with new grass already beginning to show amid the winter gold of the hill-sides.

Lowland snows

In the area around Roswell, three snow storms came one after another, without giving any chance of melting.

And this all happened during the shortest days of the year, when the sun travels lower on the horizon and has less melting power than any other time of the year. The snow melting, the deep snow with layers of ice in between the snowfalls, and the wind all made for a record in severe December weather. On top of this, the land around Roswell is flat for miles in every direction.

Look to the hills

Pioneers used to tell of crossing the prairies in covered

wagons, with winter closing in, when they would say to one another: "If we can just make it to the hills." In the hills then would find wood, water and shelter.

Here at Storm's Crossing, the cows that were around the house headed for the hills when the first of the snow storms blew in.

Back in the deep canyons they would find shelter from the wind, and on the sunny sides of the canyons the snow would melt off on the first sunny day and the cows would find grass and snow-melt water.

After a day or two, here they came back wading through two feet of snow, the young calves leading the way, playing like children, delighted with the snow...What a great feeling it gave to be throwing alfalfa on the snow to the cows returned from the hills.

And the words of the Psalm came to mind: "I to the hills will I lift mine eyes."

GUEST COMMENTARY

Permanent fund investments need flexibility

BY RAY POWELL
STATE LAND COMMISSIONER

As a member of the State Investment Council (SIC), I appreciate the opportunity to highlight significant events relating to our permanent funds and the recent events surrounding venture capital investing by the SNG. The Council holds almost \$9 billion of investments in trust for the current and future citizens of New Mexico. These investments are the permanent funds established by our citizens in the New Mexico Constitution to provide support for both today's and for future generations of school children and taxpayers. In 1997, the permanent funds distributed \$385 million of revenue — an average of about \$600 that each tax filer was not required to pay to support education and other programs. At the same time, the funds grew in value an additional \$2 billion in 1997, making the third largest permanent fund in the nation.

As Commissioner of Public Lands, the success of our permanent funds is critically important to me.

Under the New Mexico Constitution, I serve as the trustee for the state trust lands that are the sole source of income for the Land Grant Permanent Fund. This fund is held in trust for the beneficiaries of the state lands, which are primarily the public schools and educational institutions of New Mexico. On behalf of the trust beneficiaries, I have a strong interest in assuring that the permanent funds are prudently invested.

I also supported the Constitutional Amendments passed in

1996 and the subsequent statutory changes that allow the SIC to further diversify our permanent fund investments, and to increase our venture capital investments. Why should New Mexico's permanent fund invest in venture capital? Venture capital investment presents two huge opportunities for our citizens.

First, venture capital investments can provide significant returns that will increase the permanent funds. This result is already occurring. The SIC has averaged a return of over 25 percent for the past nine years in venture capital investments using the expertise of our independent investment advisor, the excellent SIC professional staff, and the thorough evaluation by our Venture Capital Investment Advisory Committee.

Second, thanks to the efforts of the (state) legislature, venture capital also provides an opportunity to simultaneously invest for return and for the benefit of New Mexico economic development. Our New Mexico venture capital program invests in firms that have an office in the state and are committed to investing in new and growing New Mexico businesses.

The program has grown slowly, but with the increase in funds available for investment, venture capital firms are opening offices in New Mexico and the opportunities will increase.

I strongly support using our trust assets to simultaneously provide for our beneficiaries and for New Mexico economic development. The efforts of the State Land Office in promoting economic development on state trust land at Mesa del Sol and at

other communities around the state mirror the intent of the venture capital program.

I am told that over 70 percent of the population growth of New Mexico comes from our own children. While the Land Grant Permanent Fund provides nearly 20 percent of our public school budget and our teachers do a very good job in educating our children, many of our children are forced to become "economic refugees" in order to find good jobs to raise and support their families.

This is not only an extremely poor return on our investment in education, but it also robs New Mexico of our most valuable resource, our children. These young people represent the energy, imagination and love for rural and urban New Mexico that will help ensure that New Mexico prospers in the future.

It is for this reason that we must reinvest in New Mexico. That is why the efforts of the Land Office and the SIC to use our trust assets to both provide for the future and to also promote economic development and job growth are so important.

However, with the rewards of venture capital investments come the risks. We cannot afford to ignore the risks and therefore jeopardize the entire program. Therefore, I have advocated, and will continue to advocate the State Investment Council follow a consistent and proper process for reviewing each investment. With an open process, the public can hold us accountable for our decisions. We must invest in the future and we must do it right.

Steadfast attitudes

What is it about this mountain fastness we call Ruidoso that so often seems to put its people out of step with the rest of New Mexico?

That's something we've pondered occasionally for sometime now, and a question that probably can't ever be answered.

But it has been, and will continue to be, the subject of debate —

most obviously in the political arena.

A recent example is the approval by the Lincoln County Commission of an effort by Commissioner Wilton Howell to get the state legislature to put a cap on property taxes and things that affect them, like valuation of property for tax purposes. It's certainly played well in Lincoln County, where state-mandated reappraisals have tripled or quadrupled some people's tax bills.

And Ruidoso, nearly everybody knows, has the highest gross receipts tax rate in the state...at least until 2003. It would drop by a penny in that year unless the village's \$4.6 million bond proposal for water system improvements is approved this March 3... in which case it would continue as the source for paying off that debt. (Yes — an editorial on the opinion page in Wednesday's paper urged in stating it would end this year.)

Now, the out-of-step part: Some bigwigs met for a symposium in Albuquerque earlier this week, and some sought to make a case that in the 21st Century the people of New Mexico would have to look more at property taxes to finance local government — not the ubiquitous gross receipts tax.

The semi-rationale behind that idea, apparently, is that there would be more local control, and therefore more fairness. That sounds great too...

But, first:

- Convince the school systems that property owners always will vote for money for schools.

- Convince the voters that they would support county commissioners who choose to raise property taxes.

- Convince state legislators that local government should operate without a modicum of state control.

We'll stand pat with the out-of-step world of Lincoln County, where people like Wilton Howell seem to be more interested in tax relief than in increasing tax revenue.

LETTERS POLICY

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

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

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Ruidoso residents talking trash

Residents may soon be able to dispose of pine needles and other yard waste with either a curbside pickup service or at collection center.

BY TONI K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A panel of Ruidoso residents will review companies' proposals to provide yard waste collection services.

The panel is to make its recommendation to village leaders Jan. 27.

"We want to make sure we have the best possible contract before going to the Ruidoso Village Council," said Village Manager Gary Jackson.

Based on a consultant's earlier study, it would cost homeowners 84 cents a month to pay for curbside pick up of yard waste, such as pine needles. The same study, by Molzen-Corbin & Associates,

projected the cost of providing a collection center for yard waste at 47 cents a month.

The village is to open bids from contractors today, Jackson said.

Last spring, the village council began researching yard waste collection services, beginning with a study on how much yard waste the village generates.

In the past, regular garbage collection services have not been able to adequately handle the disposal of yard waste, which on occasion can represent dozens of bags filled with pine needles for just one home.

Village leaders contend Ruidoso desperately needs a viable way for residents to dispose of forest waste products. The potentially combustible materials must be cleared from lots if homeowners are to create "defensible

spaces" against the threat of catastrophic fire, say village and forest health officials.

The village council tried to collect proposals from companies for the collection of yard waste after the June study came out. However, potential contractors balked at submitting proposals, saying the volume of waste had been underestimated in the consultants' study.

Based on a population estimate of 8,300, the Molzen-Corbin study said Ruidoso produces 17.8 tons, or 102.4 cubic yards, of forest waste a month.

"We think that it will probably be a little more than that," Jackson said. "It's still a very subjective thing."

Following a couple of roundtable conferences with potential bidders, the village amended its request for proposals.

Hondo clinic gets a shot in the arm from county

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Since winning approval from the Lincoln County Commission to use a county-owned metal building for a community health clinic, Hondo school and community officials have been busy.

Hondo School Superintendent Barbara Casey said Tuesday that in less than one month, they have contacted state agencies, pinpointed grant sources and have secured support from the county's legislative delegates.

Impressed with their progress, commissioners entered into a contract with the Hondo School District officially transferring the building to the community and allocating \$20,000 toward the project.

Casey and others asked for the building because of the critical need for health care for students and their families. An attempt failed last year by Commissioner Monroy Montes to win support from a majority of commission to apply for a Community Development Block Grant, that would have financed a portable health clinic to use in rural areas, including Hondo.

Instead Commissioners L. Ray Nunley, William Schwettmann and Rex Wilson, voted to use the grant application to improve the county fair building in Capitan. The commission received word Tuesday that the county scored poorly on that application and it was rejected by the block grant committee.

Reporting to county com-

missioners on Hondo's effort since the December commission meeting, Casey said Seferino Montano, executive director of La Casa de Buena Salud Inc., will prepare an application under the Rural Primary Health Care Act for money to open the clinic.

"La Casa also will supply the health care providers, who will probably be a general practitioner and a nurse practitioner," Casey said.

The District IV office of the state Department of Health will apply on the community's behalf for money from the Healthy Kids Fund and will request money from a Robert Wood Johnson grant received by the state, she said.

The Office of School Health will pay for a clinic coordinator to help organize the operation, she said.

A Medicaid facilitator has been hired by Region IX Education Cooperative and can be used to register potential clients for Medicaid eligibility, Casey said.

"It is anticipated that 300 families will be Medicaid eligible," she said.

Other steps include:

- The Lincoln County Health and Wellness Board will serve in an advisory capacity to help in the organization of the clinic.

- Steve Strain from Architecture Plus, currently under contract as Hondo's District architect, will arrange for the building to be moved and for utility hookups and renovations.

- Strain also will oversee the building of an ambulance

garage. After approving use of the metal building for the clinic, commissioners had asked for help from Hondo in providing a place for the county ambulance.

- State Rep. Dub Williams (R-Glencoe) and State Sen. Pete Campos (D-Santa Rosa) were asked to introduce legislation during the 1998 session of the state Legislature starting Jan. 20 asking for \$100,000 to operate the clinic and \$75,000 for capital outlay.

Casey outlined proposed services to be provided by the Hondo Valley Health Clinic as:

- A health care provider, a general practitioner and a nurse practitioner to be at the clinic from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at least twice a week.

- Prenatal care and Women, Infants and Children (WIC) services.

- The possibility of pharmacy access through a courier who will transport prescription drugs from either Roswell or Ruidoso through Hondo.

- Laboratory services
- children's medical services

- women's health services, including pap smears and mammograms.

Hearing how quickly and effectively the community has moved on the project, Montes, who is elected from the Hondo area, offered the motion to enter into a contract with the school district and for the \$20,000 allocation. It passed unanimously. The money previously was going to be used to build a garage for the ambulance.

County Commission looks to state legislature to enhance Rural Events Center complex

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

To continue improving the Rural Events Center in Glencoe, Lincoln County Commissioners will be asking the New Mexico Legislature for \$250,000 this year.

But to ensure the community of Capitan isn't left out of the picture, the commission also will ask for money to upgrade the county fair building in that community.

The commission was unsuccessful in its attempt to secure a Community Development Block Grant for the Capitan project, described as improvements to a community center.

Glencoe center manager Linda Wallace said \$200,000 would be used to install 2,000 seats in the Joe R. Skeen Arena, the capacity requested by five event promoters; the Women's Pro Rodeo, Men's Pro Rodeo, Lippizan Stallions, Delveckio Invitational Buck-out and the Super Bull Tour.

The other \$50,000 would buy a portable stage in compliance with a request from the state fire marshal who wants the existing permanent wooden stage removed.

Opponents of the county-owned Glencoe center, which is 12 miles east of Ruidoso,

challenged Wallace Tuesday during a county commission meeting about how much money the county would collect for rent of the facility for 16 events scheduled from April through October. They also questioned whether the statistics she submitted showing the economic impact of such events on the county were accurate, whether 2,000 people would attend the events and how much it would cost to stage the events.

Wallace said staging the events costs the county nothing since she has no staff and manages and maintains the facility on U.S. 70 by herself.

If event promoters think they can draw 2,000, it's not her job to disagree with them, Wallace said.

"I just lease the facility," she said.

She collected \$10,000 in rental fees last fiscal year and estimated about double that amount this year with \$11,000 collected to date.

In her letter summarizing the request, Wallace pointed out that events at the center have changed from being mostly county-based to groups coming in from outside the county. The arena now has 500 seats, but large events such as rodeos and concerts look for as many as 2,500 people, she said.

In estimating a \$1.3 million economic impact on the county from two major events a year, three days each, Wallace said she used figures from the Bureau of Economic Analysis and from a study by El Paso County in Colorado. She estimated another economic shot of \$852,322 from small events.

While some county residents view the center as a chance to draw major-arena events and an audience from outside the county that will spend money at motels, restaurants, gas stations and shops, others contend the center is a waste of county money. Many of the opponents come from Carrizozo or Capitan, where they fear the center will take business away from the county fair building and arena.

The center was purchased with \$250,000 from the state Legislature and another \$185,000 mostly in rural economic development money was used to build an outdoor arena.

Future projects listed by Wallace for the center include better restrooms, a covered arena, livestock stalls and lightning improvements.

WILLIAMS: Highway 70 would be NAFTA corridor

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would be completed before the racing season starts in May.

"That's a promise that was made to me," Williams said. "And I hope to hold a few feet to the fire. And I'll be starting tomorrow (Wednesday). I have a transportation committee meeting and ... I will remind them that we want that highway fixed, at least that part — going from here to Ruidoso Downs."

He emphasized the need for good highways to promote tourism.

Referring to a recently approved project to expand a highway from Santa Fe to Farmington, Williams said it was time the state's governing body recognized the need for better roads in southern New Mexico.

"We have not spent very many dollars on Highway 70 trying to upgrade it in terms of making it a four-lane highway," Williams said.

"But we would like to see it turned into a NAFTA corridor, which would bring at least

some federal funding to Highway 70 and would give us a four-lane highway from El Paso at least to Amarillo. And certainly from Las Cruces to Amarillo, or at least to the Texas line."

Salazar said Wednesday the project, running east from Ruidoso, will be pushed back one to two months because of delays from the holidays. The contract was initially scheduled to be awarded in March, he said.

The 6.1-mile project includes resurfacing the highway and creating a continuous left-hand turn lane into Ruidoso Downs Race Track. The cost is estimated at \$5.7 million without building shoulders on the two-lane portion east from Ruidoso Downs to the bridge that crosses the Rio Ruidoso. The shoulders were something that was part of the original design, he said. If that portion was constructed, the cost would have increased to \$9.2 million.

Other expected improvements to the road include removing the lights on the

median in front of the race-track and replacing them with break-away street lights on either side of the highway. Curbs and gutters will be added and drainage will be improved, Salazar said.

The western leg of Highway 70 work — to expand the road to four lanes to the Inn of the Mountain Gods — also has been delayed. The engineering firm working on the project has asked for some realignment in the design to avoid a rock shelter of archaeological value, Whitesel said.

That redesign should be completed by March or April, he said. Originally, the state was scheduled to go out for bids on the project in September, with construction to possibly start in November. But that timeline will be delayed, and could be delayed even further while the state secures funding for the project, Whitesel said. In addition, the redesign may impact the state's easement agreement with the Mescalero for construction of the four-lane highway, and delay the project, he said.

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Kevin Cooper, left, and Scott Perteet are the owners and entrepreneurs behind General Services.

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Variety spices up business venture

BY JULIE BAXTER
RUIDOSO NEWS BUSINESS WRITER

Being all-around handy guys has turned into a business opportunity for Kevin Cooper and Scott Perteet.

Cooper and Perteet are the owners of General Services and self-declared property care specialists. The duo said they can tackle a long list of jobs ranging from chimney sweeping to yard work and almost every other imaginable chore in between.

"Basically we saw a kind of a sink hole in town as far as professional service," Cooper said of the reason he and Perteet started the business. "People need to get things done for their home."

Whether they are part-

time residents or full-time Ruidosoans, Cooper said sometimes doing those odd jobs can be too much for homeowners. That's where General Services comes in. Cooper, Perteet and crew will tend to yards, remove snow, make light repairs, sweep chimneys, haul away debris, paint, clean, and even move furniture.

"We do a lot of different things," Perteet said. "Anything a homeowner would need, outside of construction."

General Services also works for several property management companies, keeping yards clean and steps in repair.

They both have a background in construction, which they said makes running General Services a snap. But just

because it comes easy, doesn't mean Cooper and Perteet aren't working hard to keep customers happy.

"Customer service and quality of work is our primary goal," Cooper said. "It's more of a service business than (a business) that's out to make money. The money comes along. We hold ourselves and our employees up to a high ethical standard; we respect our clients property and privacy."

Cooper and Perteet haven't kept their business plan limited to chores, either. They also provide cabin-watching service, arrival and departure preparation, and clean up. General Services will stock the refrigerator, turn on the lights, and make the beds, so an owner's cabin is ready and

waiting for them. Then, when the stay is over, the company will clean it, winterize it and watch it until the owner is ready for his or her next trip.

They said the business is all about pleasing people.

Cooper said referrals and repeat business seem to point out that they're doing it well.

"Just about anybody that has used us will use us again and again," Cooper said.

But the entrepreneurs also get some pleasure out of satisfying their customers.

"I think the best part of it is meeting so many nice people," Cooper said. "When people are glad to see you everyday it's very motivating."

For more information about General Services, call 257-0112.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Counseling Center adds new staff member, to start new group

The Counseling Center Inc. will welcome a new staff member and start a new group in 1998.

Vicki Morris, a therapist and substance abuse specialist, joined the Counseling Center Jan. 5 to head up the Substance Abuse Program.

A special group paid for by a special grant from the Victim's Advocacy Program is for victims of violence and crime. No dates or times have been set for the group but the Counseling Center is hoping to hold it every other week from January through June. Attendance will be free for crime victims.

For more information on the new group, call Richard or Katherine at the Counseling Center, 257-5038, or Sandra Wiggins at the district attorney's office in Alamogordo, 437-3640.

for the LCCS, which has become one of the nation's leading cowboy cultural events. Formerly, Griffin served as special events coordinator for the Museum.

"This marks the first time a museum staff member will dedicate their time solely to the symposium," Museum Director Bruce Eldredge said in a Jan. 5 press release. "We felt it was important for the museum to utilize Glenn's considerable talents in the facility and exhibit functions of the museum. Georgia Griffin has the experience to coordinate the functions of the Symposium. We are very pleased that we can dedicate her full time to this effort."

The promotions took effect Jan. 1.

Certified optician joins Lincoln County Eye Clinic

Wendy Black, 31, a board certified optician, has joined the staff of the Lincoln County Eye Clinic of Randall Cox, OD.

Black is reportedly the first optician certified by the American Board of Opticianry (ABO) to enter into full-time practice in Lincoln County.

"Ruidoso is one of the areas that we've always wanted to live in," said Black, whose photographer-husband, D.A. Black, accompanied her to the area. "It's an escape to heaven."

A native of California with a dozen years experience as a dispensing optician and lab technician, she also is a member of the National Academy of Opticianry.

She comes to the position from one she held with Dr. Charles Brooks in Portales. Prior to that she worked with Clovis Home Care, and the National Vision Association. She attended optical college in Orange, Calif.

The clinic, operated by Randall Cox, is located at 205 Sudderth in the Lincoln County Medical Center complex.

Museum promotes two staff members

The Museum of the Horse announced this week that staff members Glenn Barrow and Georgia Griffin have been promoted to new positions.

Barrow, formerly director of the Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium and preparator and exhibit curator, has been promoted to director of facilities in addition to his exhibition duties. As director of facilities and exhibits coordinator, he is responsible for the supervision of four employees and all functions related to the facilities and exhibition work. He also will continue to serve on the Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium Committee.

Griffin has been promoted to coordinator of the Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium, a full-time position. In her new capacity she will coordinate all staff and volunteer functions

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Warrior girls' District 3AAA journey starts way out west

BY LAURA CLYMER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

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Dwayne Rogers,
RHS girls coach

Ruidoso's second season begins today. The Warriors embark on their District 3AAA journey with a trip to the outback - western New Mexico, that is. A 4-10 overall Ruidoso team takes on Cobre in Bayard today, followed by a meeting with the perennial district conqueror, Silver. Coach Dwayne Rogers is not overlooking the Indians, but, understandably, he's got the Colts foremost on his mind. It's been nothing but Silver atop the 3AAA for as long as his Warriors can remember. The usually multidimensional Colts seem more two-dimensional this season, and maybe that's why Silver has just an

8-5 overall record. "We've got to shut down Julie Whetten. She's a player. It's a pretty simple game plan: shut her down and you can shut down Silver." The Warriors have to worry about Lisa Arizaga, as well. Both are 5-foot, 8-inches and both play in the post. It won't be much of a game if the Warriors get in foul trouble - something that happens more often than not. "We can't get in foul trouble. We have to keep our key players on the floor," Rogers said. That's even more important this weekend, because the Warriors are weakened by the flu bug and fatigue. "We're a little bit tired because of the scheduling. With five games in seven

days, we're going to have to gut it out this weekend," Rogers said. "We're not really 100 percent physically, but we've got 12 girls on varsity that means everyone has to step up." There will be one change in Rogers' starting lineup this weekend. Patty Ramos steps in for a puny-feeling Jana Morris. Other getting the starting nod are point guard Denise Rodella and forwards Bailey Bishop, Mandin Spence and Mandi Lewallen. **Tularosa 57, Ruidoso 50** Tularosa's Wildcats avenged an earlier defeat to Ruidoso with a 57-50 victory Monday in Tullie. "Give Vicki Lawrence (Tularosa's coach) some credit. They were ready for

us," Rogers said. The Wildcats took advantage of the Warriors' propensity to foul. Tularosa shot 42 free throws, which nullified Ruidoso's advantage in baskets. "We've been plagued by foul trouble among the top scorers six out of the last seven ball games," Rogers said. "I can't keep some of our seniors on the court and it's really hurt us." The Warriors also had trouble finding the basket. Bishop and Spence led Ruidoso with nine points each. "We couldn't hit the shot when it counted. We missed a lot of easy shots that we need to knock down," Rogers added. "But we played hard. The girls played their hearts out and that's all I can ask for."

The white at the end of the tunnel



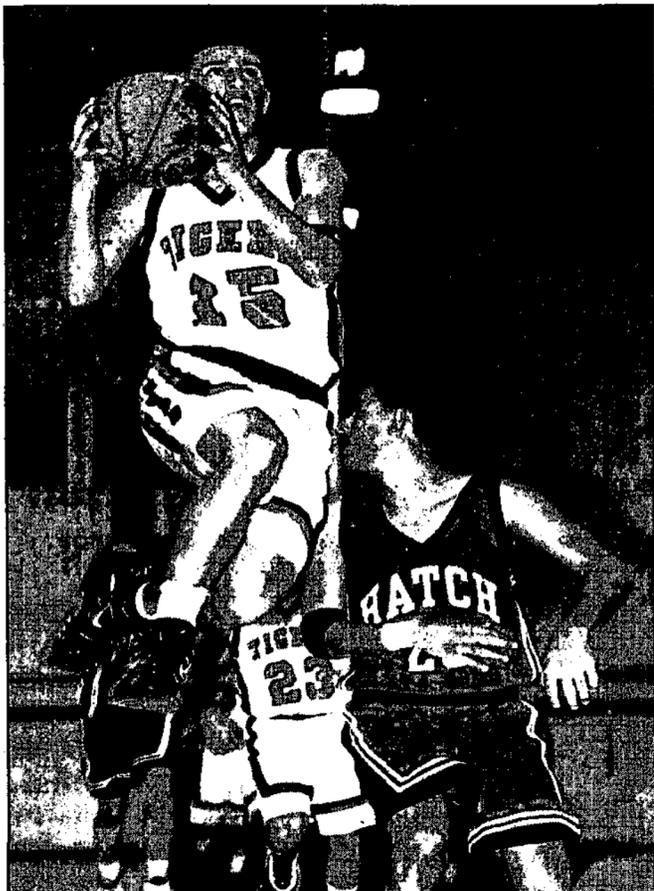
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It's the first big ski weekend after the Christmas holidays for Ski Apache starting tomorrow. Ski Apache general manager Roy Parker expects the numbers on the slopes to be solid again for the Martin Luther King three-day holiday weekend. But they won't be as strong as the holiday numbers. Parker said 38,000 skiers took to the Ski Apache runs over the eight-day Christmas holiday. Six inches of snow last week kept conditions tops in the state on the 55 open runs at the ski area. Surface conditions are packed powder; skiing conditions are excellent as this skier (above) found out Wednesday. Snow depth midway on the mountain was 58 inches.

Village seeks public's input about rec dollars

BY LAURA CLYMER
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Residents will get a chance to voice how they want to spend nearly \$68,000 earmarked for recreation at a public hearing Wednesday. The Village of Ruidoso Parks and Recreation Commission will hold the public hearing during its regular monthly meeting at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday in village hall. The purpose of the public hearing is for village officials to hear the public's recommendations for distributing \$67,965 in recreation money. The money came from a revenue sharing plan approved by the Lincoln County Commissioners late last year. Ruidoso Parks and Recreation Director Rafael Salas is inviting officials from various youth recreational leagues to the meeting in hopes they will speak up for what they need. "Of course from the very beginning it was focused on the youth (recreation), but there are other needs as well," said Salas, noting that representatives of all recreational leagues are invited to attend. Ruidoso Little League Baseball President Darlene Hart intends to be one of the representatives at the meeting. "What I intend to do is bring some kind of proposal. I do have a semi-proposal drawn up," said Hart, who added she has a wish list of items that could total as much as \$70,000. Representatives don't need to submit a proposal at the public hearing, but it wouldn't hurt either, Salas said. "Some of these people might be able to make a proposal for seed money to start the programs," he added. Salas said he's heard talk of starting a youth roller hockey league or boxing program. The money could be used to improve current programs as well, such as the summer United States Tennis Association tennis program or the youth softball program. "What we'll do is compile it and make the recommendations to the council on how to distribute the funds," Salas said. The money became available in November when county commissioners OK'd a plan to funnel \$150,000 back to the county and its municipalities for recreation and vocational education. Ruidoso received the \$67,965 or 45.31 percent of the money, the portion of property values it represents county-wide. The remaining money will be divided equally among the county's four other municipalities to ensure the smaller towns receive money to complete a project.



Laura Clymer/Ruidoso News

Capitan's Garydon Silva and his Tiger teammates will see plenty of the Hatch Bears in the next week. Capitan and Hatch play Saturday and yet again in a week on Saturday, Jan. 24. The two teams met last Saturday in the Smokey Bear Inv.

Tigers and Bears hatching up quite a rivalry

After its third-place finish at the Smokey Bear Invitational, the Capitan boys basketball team was jerked back to earth by Estancia Tuesday. The Bears posted a 56-53 win in Capitan. The defeat drops Capitan to 3-9 overall. The Tigers not only lost the game but also senior post player Eric Ferguson. Ferguson rolled his ankle in pregame warm-ups and then twisted it some more during the game. Capitan coach Gerald Montes pulled the 6-foot, 3-inch Ferguson in the second half of the game, but not before he scored 11 points. Montes said Ferguson will miss from two to four weeks of play. Kenny Stahl, a 6-3 junior, will move into Ferguson's starting position. Montes said fatigue played a part in his team's loss Tuesday. "I think part of it was we were tired and we got outstuffed in the first half," he said. Kris Davis led Capitan with 18 points. Point guard Garydon Silva added seven. After last weekend's Smokey Bear performance, Montes said his Tigers made strides in the right direction. Despite the loss Tuesday, the Tigers continued that march. "We're starting to hit on five or six cylinders. Before Christmas it was one or two. Now if we can hit on all eight by Tularosa ..." Montes said.

"We just need to finish strong in this pre-district schedule."

The remainder of the Tigers' pre-district schedule includes last night's game against Carrizozo and a pair of rematches with Hatch, the team Capitan defeated for third place at the Smokey Bear. The Tigers visit Hatch Saturday, then have a week of practice before hosting those same Bears Jan. 24. The District 6AA season opens for the Tiger boys Jan. 30 in Capitan against Cloudfcroft.

Tiger girls gear up for rematch with Tatum

The Capitan Tiger girls received a surprise breather Thursday when their game with Carrizozo was canceled. That means Bryan Masse's team had an extra day to prepare for its rematch of last weekend's Smokey Bear Invitational championship game with Tatum. The Tigers claimed a 53-49 victory over the Coyotes in the title game, and no doubt Tatum is itching for another shot at Capitan. Capitan's victory at the Smokey Bear evened the season series between these two teams. Saturday's game will be the rubber match. Capitan, 7-4 overall, has a four-game win streak to keep

PREP BASKETBALL

going. After Tatum, the Tigers then travel to Mountainair Tuesday before opening District 6AA play versus Tularosa Jan. 27.

Grizzlies rebound with win; open district play in Corona

After a disappointing showing at the Smokey Bear Invitational, the Carrizozo boys basketball team returned the winning track with a 55-51 win over Mescalero Monday. Sophomore guard Ryan Roper continued to shoot the lights out of the gym with 23 points. Josh Vega added 16 points in the winning effort.

Carrizozo coach Rick Bessera just hopes his Grizzlies can survive the week through Saturday. Carrizozo plays six games in 10 days, including Thursday's game in Capitan.

Of the "brutal week" Bessera said, "I just hope the kids can respond physically and mentally." Saturday the Grizzlies open their district campaign in Corona against the Cardinals. Corona is 3-3 overall, and led by prolific scorer Logan Marshall, who averages 26 points a game for the Cardinals. Bessera described the Grizzlies' pre-district games as "battles." "The wars start Saturday," he noted. "We're going to have

to really buckle our seatbelts and get with it."

Carrizozo girls sidelined

The Grizzly girls team canceled its Thursday game because it had too many sick players. School officials said the girls will play Saturday in Corona for the district opener.

Bessera's girls team is coming off a 51-44 victory over Mescalero Monday. Sophomore guard Renee Rael lit up the Chiefs for 34 points. Amber Vallejos added seven and Melanie Whitaker had six.

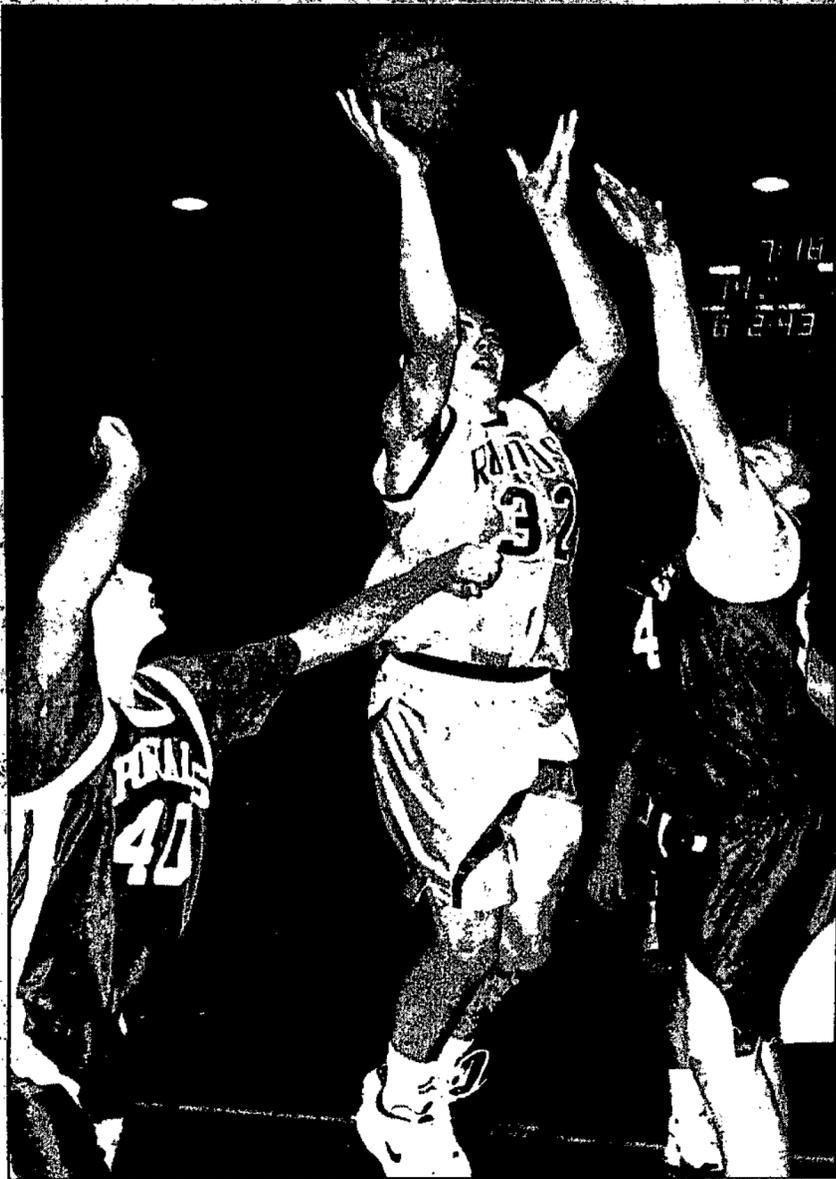
Corona is paced by Sarah Stuart, who averages 14 points a game for coach Travis Lightfoot. The Cardinals are 2-3 overall and have overcome what Lightfoot described as "a slow start."

But the Cardinals recently beat a decent Lake Arthur team and the Vaughn Eagles. They meet up with Vaughn again tonight (Friday) before hosting the Grizzlies.

Saturday features a full plate of Carrizozo/Corona basketball. The junior high teams play at 5:15 p.m. followed by the girls varsity game and then the boys varsity contest.

Other games Elsewhere around the county: Boys - Cloudfcroft at Hondo Valley, 6:30 p.m. today; and Vaughn at Corona, today. Girls - Hondo Valley at NMMI, 3:30 p.m. today.

Defenseless



Steve Barnes/Ruidoso News
Ruidoso's Adam Winkler scores easily over the defense in the third game of the High Country Shootout. The Warriors topped their record to 8-5 overall with a 60-46 win Tuesday over Tularosa. Ruidoso sees the Rams again Tuesday in Fortuna for another non-district game.

SPORTS SHORTS

RHS senior named to all-star football team

Seth Bassett, a senior at Ruidoso High School, has been selected to play in the AAA/AAAA North-South All-Star football game, July 31 in Albuquerque.

Bassett will play guard for South in the 55th annual all-star match up.

"Seth is probably going to be one of the smaller players, but there's no one with any more heart on that team," said Ruidoso High School football coach Les Carter.

Wide receiver Juan Warner, linebacker Arthur Miller and defensive tackle Johnny Adams, all RHS seniors, were named as alternates for the South team.

The teams were selected by a committee of head football coaches in each section of the state representing AAA and AAAA districts.

In the history of the North-South duel, South has won the title 34 times, with North winning 16 times, and four games ending in ties. The South, coached by Carter and his Warrior coaching staff, won last year's game 27-0.

The game at University Stadium at the University of New Mexico will be played in conjunction with the 52nd annual North-South All-Star basketball games and the 54th annual New Mexico High School Coaches Association Coaches Training and Clinic.

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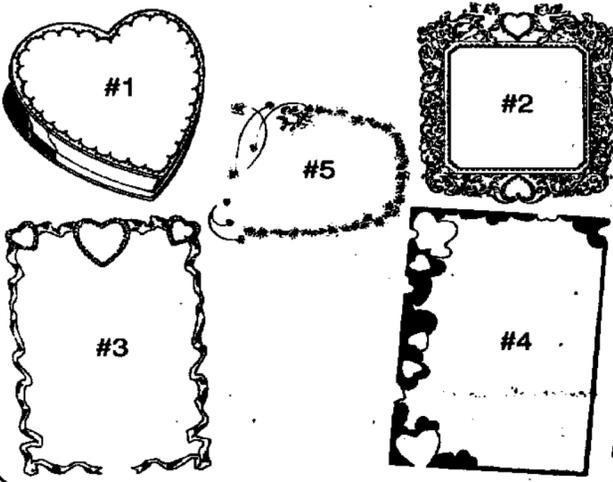
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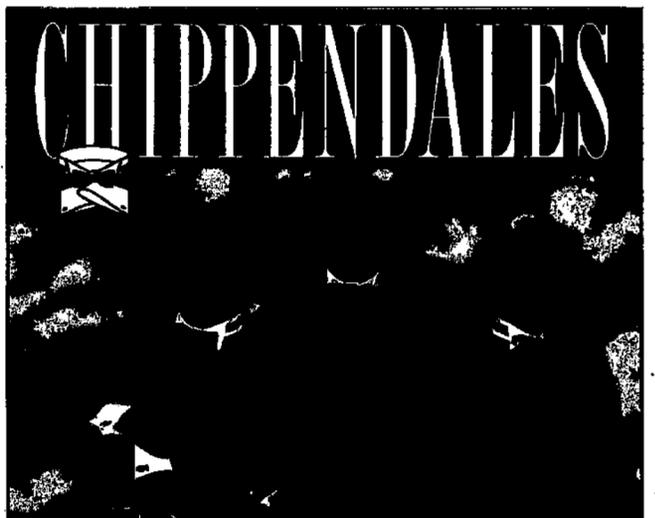
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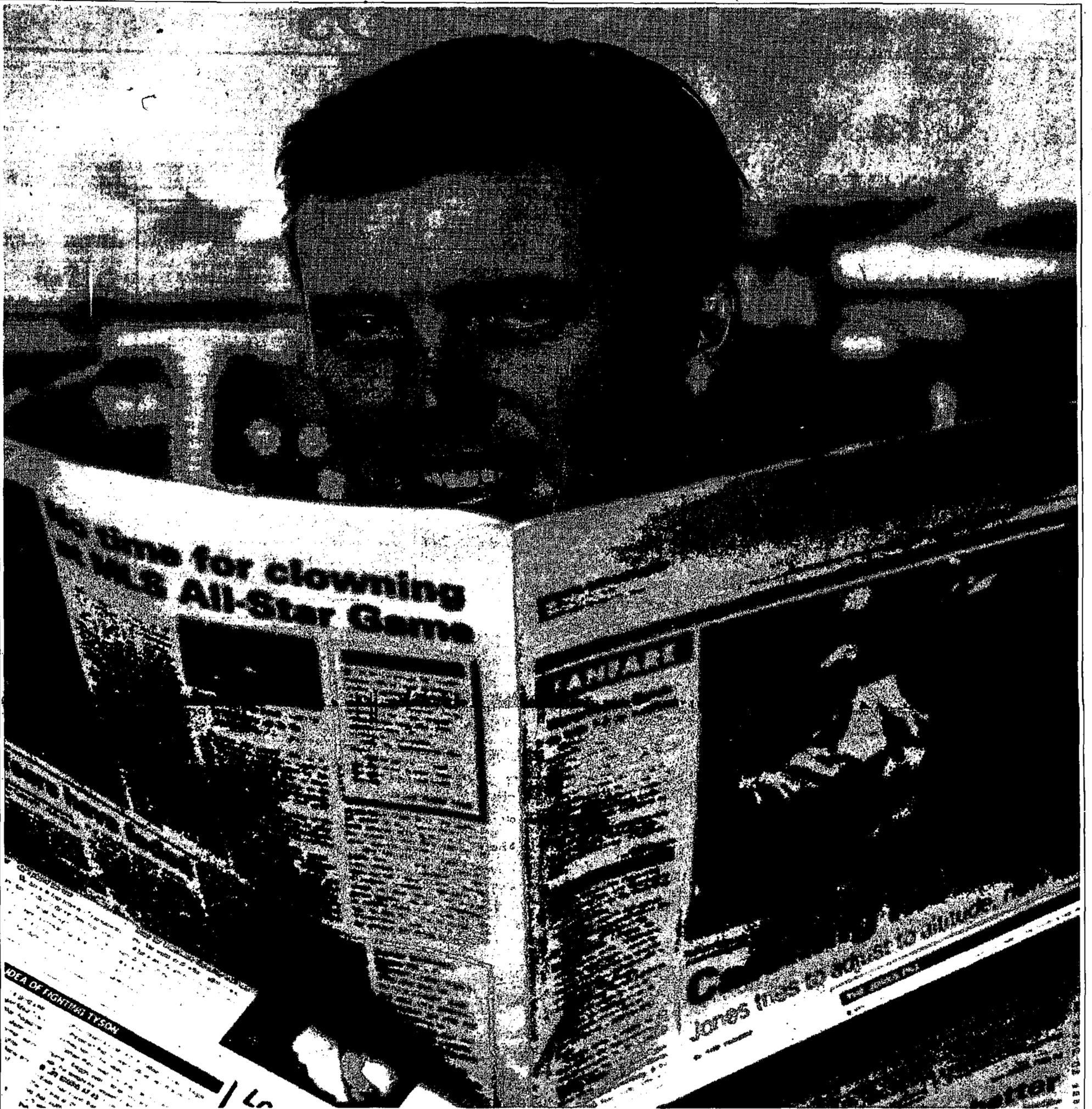
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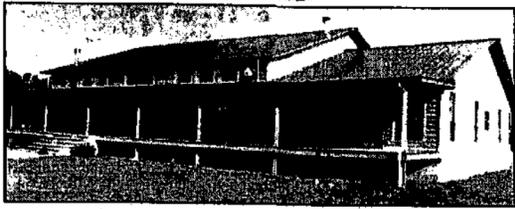
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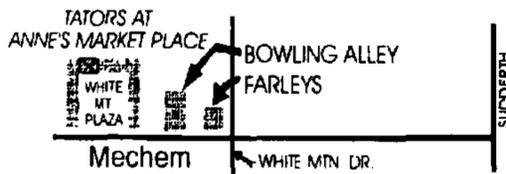
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E. Lay Powell's sculpture "From Birth Through Life to the Stars," celebrates the ancient art and storytelling of the petroglyphs.

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Stone Crazy

BY JULIE BAXTER VAMONOS STAFF WRITER



A native son of New Mexico, artist E. Lay Powell is using his talent and his energy to connect residents of the present to residents of the past.

Powell, the artist behind the latest exhibit at the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce, has spent his life in love with rocks and petroglyphs. But the artist doesn't think the beauty of nature's canvas, appreciated by Native Americans for centuries, should be wasted on only the select few who get to view it. So he uses his gift of vision and his talent for rendering, and portrays the beauty for all the world.

Powell said he first discovered the love of petroglyphs as young boy growing up on ranch in Roswell.

"It happened when I was about 6 years old," he said. "My family didn't want me hanging around the house weekends, watching TV. So my dad took me to brandings and roundups."

But his father was worried about his safety, too. Instead of letting him into the thick of the action, Dad sat him on a pile of rocks. It was those rocks on the ranch that "turned him on."

Those rocks were covered with petroglyphs. Powell jokes that the 6-year-old he was would have conversations with those rocks – conversations with the ancient ones so to speak.

It wasn't until he went to school in Roswell, that Powell discovered what a treasure he had discovered. He said his classmates were filled with envy and awe when he told

them about the petroglyphs on his ranch.

"I realized something I had known all my life was sacred," Powell said.

He said he also found pottery shards around the ranch – just one more connection between the child he was and the man he is.

"It came to me naturally. I don't know how else to explain it," Powell said. "It just fell into my lap."

Coming to it naturally, Powell said he's been blessed with a gifted eye and talented hands. He said his greatest gift is his vision – he can look at deteriorating, crumbling petroglyphs and see the whole, rather than the pieces that remain.

"My eyes allow me to see through to what was there and bring it up, bring it forward," he said.

In high school, he further explored his passion by taking and excelling in archaeology classes. Powell delved further into archaeology, at the University of New Mexico, where he earned a bachelor's degree in fine art with a double minor in architecture and archaeology.

After college, he had hoped the arts community would embrace its latest protege with open arms, but instead, he found breaking into the art world discouraging. With a substantial debt to pay off, thanks to his college education, Powell opted for some time in the military – where Powell said "things changed."

Initially stationed in Georgia, Powell was transferred to Hawaii. He said many soldiers were going crazy "from rock fever" (being stranded on an island), but he loved it after a land-locked life in New Mexico. Hawaii

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THE ARTS

Powell: Sketching petroglyphs

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also opened up more architectural and archaeological wonders for him, not to mention a natural world of beauty.

The first job he got to put his skills to work at was for the Bureau of Land Management in Taos. The BLM had just acquired the Orilla Verde park from the state and was taking an inventory of the area. With all the flora and fauna accounted for, Powell was hired to take stock of the archaeological treasures at the park.

"I've never had such a great job in all my life," Powell said.

Not only was the job great for Powell, Powell was great for the job, too. He worked for the BLM for three years, making sketches of the treasures of the land. Powell also created a display there, complete with his murals and artifacts he found while taking inventory.

"When the BLM saw my field sketches, they sent me to rock recording school," Powell said.

One of his lessons was at Three Rivers Petroglyphs National Recreation Area, which took six years to record.

"That was when I really got discovered," Powell said.

During that time with the BLM, word of Powell's talent for visually recreating petroglyphs and rock art

spread. He started sketching for the Taos Archaeological Society, the American Rock Art Research Association (ARARA) and other organizations, that had a great appreciation for his talent.

The idea to put petroglyphs on canvas came to him while he was recording petroglyphs on private land.

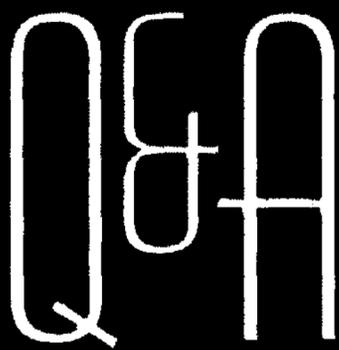
"I was getting into areas that no one would ever get to see," Powell said. "I thought it was such a crime that these sites were so far away from the public eye. I thought, 'I need to let the public have access to these treasures that are our country.'"

His medium of choice for bringing color to his sketches and black and white photography is acrylics, because the paints are more vibrant than water colors. He's also mastered other mediums including photography, sculpture and paper embossment.

Unfortunately, sketching the rocks he loves doesn't pay the bills. Powell also works full time. Since moving to Ruidoso in 1995, he's worked with stained glass artist Lial Brewer and is currently employed at Dave McGary's studio painting and welding the sculptor's bronzes.

Powell is happy with his choice to move, and said he finds great inspiration in the seclusion the area can provide. He said he gets his best inspiration when it's just him and the wind, alone on the mountain.

"Life looks good in Ruidoso," he said.



AN INTERVIEW BY TONI K. LAXSON

The sculpting husband and wife team of Rick and Rita Hadley sold their Indiana business five years ago and moved to Ruidoso to pursue and explore their potential as artists. While he creates Native American bronze sculptures, Rita, who also works at the Legends Casting Co., focuses on horse sculptures. The two display their work at Arabian horse shows have a growing list of clients.

Q: I understand that you are not just sculptors in one medium.

Rita: Right. I do pencil drawings, we both do stained glass — in fact, Rick taught me how to do stained glass. And we also do ceramics, pottery and my most important, or my favorite love so far, has been sculpting in the bronze medium. Oh, yes, and copperwork.

Rick: Three-dimensional wall art in copper, brass and aluminum. It's a different medium.

Q: For example, don't you create huge metal trees?

Rick: Yes, we've done two trees so far. One was of an aspen tree set which was about 7-1/2 feet tall. We just delivered it to a client in Colorado. And then we have another which we both designed of a wind-swept coastal tree.

Q: I understand you didn't meet as artists.

Rita: No, actually we met in

the office equipment business. We both wore suits and ties and briefcases. And the more we were around each other the more we ended up falling in love.

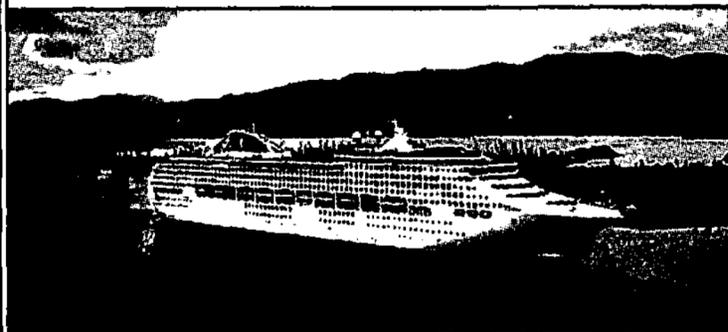
Q: How did you land in Ruidoso?

Rita: My sister invited us — Rick had never been out west, at all. He'd never left Indiana. All he'd ever seen was corn fields and soybeans. So, we brought him out here on Christmas Eve at night, and there's all this snow falling. He wakes up in the morning and sees Sierra Blanca and he just absolutely falls in love.

Rick: I said, 'Why don't we go home and just sell it all and move out here?' She thought I was crazy. But the more we talked about it, the more it became the thing we wanted to do ... By March, we had moved. We sold our farm, our business, our cattle, horses — everything — and moved into a little four-room cabin on the river and just loved it.



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CALLS FOR ART

• The Fourth Annual Miniature Arts Show at the Bardean Gallery in Albuquerque is slated for April. The gallery is holding a juried show of miniature art for artists living in New Mexico.

Most media accepted, including: oils, acrylics, watercolors, gouache, pastels, egg tempera, prints (hand pulled), pencils, inks and mixed. Works are to be original and two-dimensional are to follow the traditional maximum image size of 25 square inches, representational pieces to follow a 1/6 scale (or smaller).

Sculpture will be accepted this year, with the maximum size being 8 inches by 8 inches by 8 inches (including mount).

The deadline for submitting works is March 20. Cash awards, ribbons and certificates will be given.

For more information or a prospectus, call (505) 881-1122.

• The Eastern New Mexico University Local Selection Committee seeks to commission an exterior 3D sculpture for the area between the Science Building and the Research Lab at the Portales campus. The theme of the artwork should pertain to the natural sciences, but will be developed with the finalists and LSC. All durable outdoor media and styles will be considered. Three finalists will be selected and required to meet with LSC and create a maquette of their proposals. Finalists will be awarded \$400. Project amount: \$21,230. Open to New Mexico residents only. For more information, or a prospectus, contact NM Arts, 228 E. Palace Ave., Santa Fe, NM 87501, or call (505) 827-6490, or 1(800) 879-4278 in N.M. Deadline is Jan. 30.

• The Las Vegas Local Selection Committee seeks to commission an artist to design and build an exterior patio space between Secure Treatment Cottages A and B at the New Mexico State Hospital. The area is between the male and female housing units and will be used for interaction and family visits. A seating area which incorporates water, a bird feeder or other calming elements would be acceptable. Any durable outdoor media will be considered. The style should blend harmoniously with the landscape and the mountain views. The area available is approximately 12 feet by 12 feet. Project amount: \$5,740.

For more information, or a prospectus, contact NM Arts, 228 E. Palace Ave., Santa Fe, NM 87501, or call (505) 827-6490, or 1(800) 879-4278 in N.M. Deadline is Jan. 30.

Benson Fine Art

Ultra Plaza, 700 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso, 257-2813.

Ethnographic art, historical prints and maps are also available. Gallery hours: 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday or by appointment.

Duncan Studio Gallery

Downtown White Oaks, (505) 648-2253.

The studio of post-impressionist representational artist John Duncan and the impressionist works of his wife (who paints under the name Palla) is the historic Taylor Home (1887) in this living ghost town and budding artist colony. Open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, as well as most week days. Call ahead to be sure.

Eagle Ranch Art Gallery

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

The Alamogordo Senior High School advanced art class will show its work through January. The students have used a wide range of mediums for the show, which is a kaleidoscope of talent. Gallery hours: 9 a.m.-6 p.m. daily.

Gail's Frame of Mind

1204 Mechem, White Mountain Plaza, Ruidoso 258-9071.

The gallery features original art by Gaylon Gillem, Patti Mayes, Barbara Diehl Westbrook, Bernice Landrum, Billie Long, Bruce Chapman, Teresa Hughes, Red Moore, Marcia Bizeau, Monty and Barbara Jones, Denise Dom and Virgil Stephens. Also showing antiques from various vendors. Open Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Hurd-La Rinconada Gallery

Off Hwy. 70 in San Patricio, (505) 653-4331.

The gallery exhibit includes works by Peter Hurd, Henriette Wyeth Hurd,

Andrew Wyeth, Michael Hurd, 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.

The Kenyon Thomas Gallery

546 Sudderth, Ruidoso by the traffic lights at Paradise Canyon, 257-1056.

Pottery and pastels by Kenyon Thomas, fine weavings by Marcia Thomas. Call for gallery hours.

L.C. Mercantile & Trading Post

320 S. Lincoln Ave., Capitan, 354-2316.

Discover the art of Southern New Mexico with works by Peter Rogers, Jose Rivera, Suzanne Donazetti, Ken Payne, Geraldo Kirwin, Elaine Armstrong and others. On-premises studios of photographer Lionel Lipmann and Marilyn Quinell, designer of fine objects in stained glass. Gallery hours are 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Thursday-Sunday and by appointment.

Lincoln Heritage Trust

Lincoln Heritage Trust, Lincoln (505) 653-4025.

Carriazo artist Polly Chavez's Spanish Colonial New Mexican Retablos continues. 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.

McGary Studios & Expressions in Bronze Gallery

2002 Sudderth, Ruidoso, 257-3790, 1-800-687-3424.

Dave McGary's combined facility features a finishing studio and a gallery which showcases a two-decade retrospective collection of his "Images in Bronze." Gallery hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Saturday, closed Sunday.

The Montañño Store

Hwy. 380, Lincoln, (505) 653-4372.

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

Mt. Legends Gallery & Foundry

610 E. Hwy. 70, Ruidoso Downs, 378-8040.

7:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday, public bronze pourings and foundry tour.

Museum of the Horse

Hwy. 70, Ruidoso Downs, 378-4142.

Sixth annual Fall American Art Show and Sale, and Peter Hurd's Wartime Sketches. Opened Nov. 22. The Fall American Art Show features 90 New Mexico artists on display and for sale. The Hurd sketches from World War II are also for sale. 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, (505) 653-4203.

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

The Tree's House

Nogal Canyon Road off Hwy. 37 between mile markers 9/10; Nogal, (505) 354-4206.

The Laggs 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 (505) 354-4203.

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

White Mt. 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. "A collection of talented clay artists." Call for gallery hours.

White Oaks Pottery Studio

3 1/2 miles NE of White Oaks, (505) 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.

To have your studio listed in "Bellas Artes" submit the studio name, address, phone number and artist information to:

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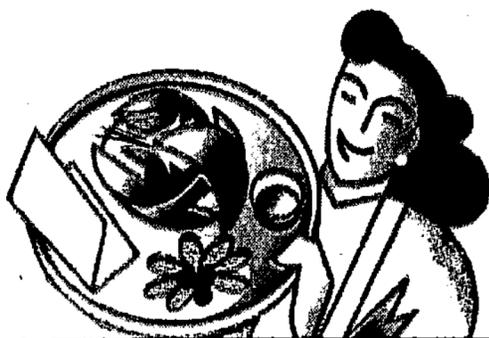
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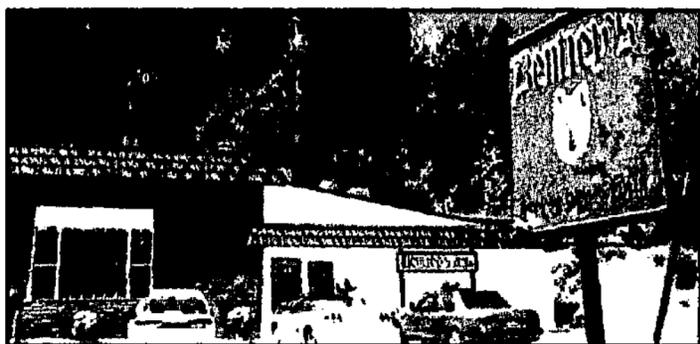
A Guide To The Finest Restaurants In The Area



Apache Tee Cafe

Looking for a meal with some atmosphere, take the short drive to Apache Tee. Serving up steaks, seafood and daily specials created by chef Brendon Gochenhour and drinks from the full-service bar, the Apache Tee has the best view and the friendliest staff around.

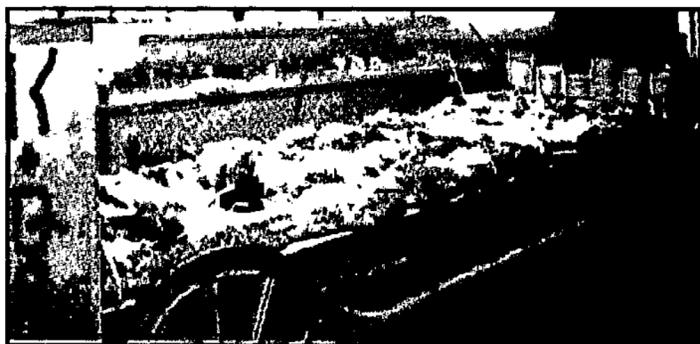
Price Range: \$\$
Phone: 257-5141
Address: at the Inn of the Mountain Gods, Carrizo Canyon Road, Mescalero
Hours: 7 a.m. - 10 p.m. Sun.-Thurs., 7 a.m. - 11 p.m. Fri. and Sat.



Bentley's Brew Pub & Paw

If you're pining for a pint of Old English Ale look no further than Bentley's. The Ruidoso brew pub serves up European and domestic micro brews and fine wines, along with some fabulous food. House specialties include fish and chips and steaks hand cut on the premises.

Price Range: \$\$
Phone: 258-4232
Address: 1133 Mechem Dr., Ruidoso
Hours: 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sun.-Thurs., 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Fri. and Sat.



K Bob's Steak House

Steaks, seafood, prime rib and the best salad bar in town await diners at K Bob's. Open since 1979, the steak house serves up some hearty country breakfasts and daily lunch and dinner specials, as well as catering for all occasions. Y'all come in.

Price Range: \$-\$\$
Phone: 378-4747
Address: West Highway 70, Ruidoso Downs
Hours: Open seven days a week at 6 a.m.



Cafe Mescalero

Fine dining in a casual atmosphere is what you'll find at Cafe Mescalero. Serving traditional Mexican food with a Southwestern flare, the Cafe has "edible art" by chef Anthony Carpenter for breakfast, lunch and dinner and fajita specials all weekend.

Price Range: \$\$
Phone: 257-6693
Address: one mile south of the Inn of the Mountain Gods, Carrizo Canyon Road, Mescalero
Hours: Lunch 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily, Dinner 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Sat. & Sun.



Che Bella

Take a tasteful trip to Northern Italy at Che Bella with its selection of pastas, gourmet pizza, veal, poultry, steaks and fish. And once you've finished your meal, stay a while in the cigar and martini bar for a cosmopolitan way to cap off your evening.

Price Range: \$\$
Phone: 257-7540
Address: 2823 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso
Hours: Fri., Sat. & Sun. Lunch 11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m., Dinner Wed.-Mon. 5 p.m. - 10 p.m., Bella Bar 4:30 p.m. - Midnight. Closed Tues.



Dan Li Ka Dining Room

Elegant dining with fantastic views of Lake Mescalero provides the atmosphere at Dan Li Ka. The dining room also offers a Sunday brunch buffet and always has fine cuisine choices for lunch and dinner. And while at Dan Li Ka don't miss the decadent dessert and pastry menu.

Price Range: \$\$-\$\$\$
Phone: 257-5141
Address: Inn of the Mountain Gods, Carrizo Canyon Road, Mescalero
Hours: open daily, call for information and/or reservations.

The InnCredible

For 30 years, The InnCredible has been treating diners to specials like Crabby Monday and Wednesday lobster, not to mention fresh fish, steaks, chicken, pasta, barbecue and more. In this business you're either great or you're history - InnCredible is both.

Price Range: \$\$\$-\$\$\$
Phone: 336-4312
Address: Highway 48 North at Alto Village.
Hours: the bar opens daily at 3:30 p.m. with fine dining starting at 5:30 p.m.



Cattle Baron

Sensational steaks, seafood and a 46-item salad bar are featured on Cattle Baron's menu. Fresh trout, catfish, Pacific snapper and King salmon and speciality dishes like filet mignon with green chili bearnaise sauce are also patron pleasers.

Price Range: \$\$\$-\$\$\$
Phone: 257-9355
Address: 657 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso
Hours: 11 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Sun.-Thurs., 11 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. Fri. and Sat.



Farley's Food Fun & Pub

Good food, food fun and good prices is what Farley's is all about. The atmosphere is light and fun and there are 16 domestic beers on tap. Cooks Pedro Bonilla and Nick Lawrence grill one of the best burgers around and you won't want to miss the wood-fired pizza.

Price Range: \$-\$\$
Phone: 258-5676
Address: 1200 Mechem Dr., Ruidoso
Hours: The restaurant opens at 11:30 a.m. seven days a week.



Texas Club Grill & Bar

Enjoy great charbroiled steaks and seafood, Texas-style chicken fried steak and fresh pasta in a casual Western atmosphere. The menu also features terrific coconut shrimp and fried catfish. Live music on weekends and cocktails are the perfect complement to a Texas Club meal.

Price Range: \$-\$\$
Phone: 258-3325
Address: 212 Metz Dr., in Innsbrook Village, Ruidoso
Hours: Lunch 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Dinner 5 to 10 p.m., Closed Tuesdays.



Top of the Inn Deli & Pizza Parlor

Fresh baked pizzas, large deli sandwiches, soups, ice cream and bakery goods seven days a week. Gourmet coffees and cappuccinos are also available to satisfy your caffeine craving. Enjoy good food with a great view.

Price Range: \$-\$\$
Phone: 257-5141
Address: the Inn of the Mountain Gods, Carrizo Canyon Road, Mescalero
Hours: 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sun-Thurs., 10 a.m. to 12 a.m. Fri. and Sat.



Michelena's Italian Restaurant

Family style dining at one of Ruidoso's favorite restaurants. A variety of Italian dishes such as ravioli, lasagna, manicotti and, of course, pizza. An excellent selection of fine wines and imported beers.

Price Range: \$-\$\$
Phone: 257-5753
Address: 2703 Sudderth Dr. - Midtown
Hours: Open 11:00 a.m.



La Lorraine

Established in 1985, La Lorraine specializes in French and gourmet dining. Chef Rick Vashina's pepper steak and creme brulee are bound to make your mouth water. Customers rave about the presentation of the food and the outstanding service at La Lorraine.

Price Range: \$\$\$-\$\$\$
Phone: 257-2954
Address: 2523 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso
Hours: 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Tues.-Sat., 5:30 to 9 p.m. Mon.-Thurs., 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. Fri. and Sat.



Price range key: entrees priced \$7 and under = \$; entrees \$7 to \$15 = \$\$; entrees \$15 and over = \$\$\$

dining guide



Going out

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Museum to host Western dance class

The Museum of the Horse will offer Western dance classes beginning Thursday, Jan. 22 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. The public is welcome to sign up for the six weekly classes which will cover two-step, jitterbug and waltz.

Longtime dance instructor Glen Barrow and his wife, Sherry, will conduct the classes.

The cost for non-members of the Museum of the Horse is \$45 for the six-week course. Museum members may enroll at a cost of \$35 per person. Interested parties should call 378-4142 for more information.

Roswell theater presents classic play

Roswell Community Little Theatre's latest production is the play, "To Kill a Mockingbird," a classic drama in which a small Southern town reassesses its values. Directed by Jim Bignell, a cast of some 20 people of all ages, will bring this powerful story to the stage.

The play is taken from the Pulitzer Prize winning novel of the same name, written by Harper Lee. The popular movie version starred Gregory Peck and was widely acclaimed.

Performances are scheduled for 8:15 p.m. on Jan. 23, 24 and the following week on Jan. 30 and 31. Reservations may be made by phoning 622-1982. Sunday matinees are set for 2 p.m. Jan. 25 and Feb. 1, and no reservations are needed. Admission is \$7 for adults and \$3.50 for full-time students.

The theater is located at 12th and Virginia streets in Roswell.

'Steel Bandits' set to perform at Flickinger

There's no sibling rivalry at work when seven brothers and a sister combine musical talents in the form of a steel drum band, complete with brilliant costumes, beautiful vocal arrangements and intricate choreography.

The "Steel Bandits" bring varied musical ranges from calypso to classical, contemporary to country, big band to Broadway to the Flickinger stage Tuesday, Jan. 27. The show starts at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are available by calling (505)-437-2202, or by stopping by Flickinger at 1110 New York in Alamogordo.

Ruidoso's

ROCKIN' THE Blues



From left to right: Alex "The Rev" Vegas, of the Bad News Blues Band, wails on the sax; Gary Stamper, of the KGB Blues Band jams on guitar, and Mike "Bad Dog" Blommer, also of Bad News, blows his horn.

Ruidoso was rockin' Saturday night.

The Ruidoso Convention Center was filled with the sights, sounds and smells of Blues and Barbecue, along with plenty of people on hand to enjoy the feast of the senses.

The third Blues and Barbecue event sponsored by the Texas House Cafe and the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce attracted more than 300 people to eat, drink and dance the night away.

With food provided by the Texas House, drinks provided by

Win, Place & Show and sound provided by the KGB Blues Band and the Bad News Blues Band, the concert raised more than \$200 for the Chamber's Two Rivers Park project.

"It was wonderful," said Cheryl Blanchard, owner of the Texas House and who, along with husband, Pete, has been a driving force behind the effort to bring the blues to Ruidoso. "We had a blast. It turned out great."

Lisa Muhn, special event coordinator for the Chamber, agreed.

"It was great," she said. "In the

last two concerts we've raised \$500."

Blanchard said the crowd loved the brassy, bluesy sound of the Bad News and are always supportive of Ruidoso's own KGB.

But the bands loved it, too. Blanchard said Bad News has already called to see when they can come back and play in Ruidoso again, and that KGB had a great time.

With this success under their belts, Blanchard and Muhn are looking ahead to the next Blues and Barbecue, Jan. 31, which will

feature local favorites the KGB Blues Band and Sam Dunnahoo, and G.G. and the Magic Band from Northern California.

"We're heading in the right direction," Blanchard said. "It gets better and better every time."

Sponsors and supporters are still wanted in the effort to bring more blues to Ruidoso, though. If you would like to help or want more information, call Pete or Cheryl Blanchard at the Texas House, 257-3506.

T-Bone played some electrifying blues

SINGING THE BLUES



Gary Stamper
for the Ruidoso News

T-Bone Walker was a blues performer who was instrumental in the development of modern blues. He was the first artist to bring the electric guitar to the blues.

Just as important, he influenced every major blues guitarist, and many rock and jazz players, in the last half of this century.

Aaron Tibeaux Walker was born in Linden, Texas May 28, 1910, but moved

with his family to Dallas when he was 2 years old. His blues education came from his parents, who were musicians, and from Blind Lemon Jefferson, the creator of Texas blues.

As a boy, young Aaron would lead Jefferson around the streets of Dallas collecting tips for him as he played.

After learning the basics of blues guitar from Jefferson, he began performing with the traveling medicine shows and carnivals. His reputation grew and in 1929 Columbia Records recorded "Wichita Falls Blues." He was using the name "Oak Cliff T-Bone" at this time.

In 1930, he won first place in a talent contest in Dallas. The prize was an opportunity to play with Cab Calloway's Big Band. During the early '30s he played with several bands in Texas before moving to California in 1934.

Around 1935, while pursuing his musical career in California, he began experimenting with the electric guitar. In 1939 he became the first blues artist to record with an electric. His style energized blues and widened its appeal.

T-Bone Walker worked steadily during the '40s in Los Angeles and Chicago. In 1946 he recorded "Stormy Monday" and "T-Bone Shuffle," which both became blues classics. After this his career skyrocketed.

T-Bone Walker continued to record and perform for the next two decades. He was another blues artist who enjoyed success during the blues revival of the '60s.

However, in the early '70s, his health began to fail. In 1974 he suffered a stroke and in March, 1975 he died.

The blues has never been the same since T-Bone plugged in his guitar. His swinging sound and showmanship made him one of the greatest bluesmen of this century.



Denzel Washington, left, and Donald Sutherland star in "Fallen."

Light, darkness face off in 'Fallen'

Let's check out what's showing on the silver screens of Sierra Cinema. Opening today are "Fallen" and "For Richer or Poorer." For more information call 257-9444.

Fallen

Rated R
Show times: 1:15 p.m.*, 3:45 p.m., 6:45 p.m. and 9:05 p.m.*
Plot: Denzel Washington, John Goodman and Donald Sutherland star in this supernatural thriller.

Decorated homicide detective John Hobbes (Washington) and his partner, Jonesy (Goodman) have apprehended a demonic serial killer, been present at the killer's trial and witnessed his execution. Now the pair is suddenly confronted with a new series of slayings committed in the late killer's peculiar style. The detectives' superior, Lt. Stanton (Sutherland) is unsure whether the new murders are the work of a copycat or a rogue cop. When continuing investigation uncovers circumstantial evidence implicating Hobbes in the killings, the detective is drawn deep into a baffling mystery. Hobbes' investigation forces the detective to question his beliefs about the forces of light and darkness, and brings him face to face with one overwhelming truth: evil is eternal and knows no bounds.

For Richer or Poorer

Rated PG-13
Show times: 1:30 p.m.*, 4 p.m., 7 p.m. and 9:20 p.m.*
Plot: Brad and Caroline are about to go from rich and famous to broke and Amish.

Brad and Caroline were the toast of New York. They had everything a couple could want except a loving marriage and an honest accountant.

Now they're fugitives on the run, looking for a place to hide.

On the lam from the IRS, the duo hides out in Amish county and poses as the long-lost relatives of a local farming family.

Two of America's most popular comic actors, Tim Allen and Kirstie Alley, are perfectly paired in this new romantic comedy. They reach new comic heights together with the charisma and charm reminiscent of the great screen couples of the past.

Titanic

Rated PG-13
Show times: 2:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Plot: The journey of the Titanic begins in the present, at site of the ship's watery grave, two and a half miles under the ocean's surface. An ambitious fortune hunter (Bill Paxton) is determined to plumb the treasures of this once-stately ship, only to bring to the surface a story left untold. The tragic ruins melt away to reveal the glittering palace that was the Titanic as it prepares for its maiden voyage from England. Amidst the thousands of well-wishers bidding a fond bon voyage, destiny has called two young souls, Rose De Witt Bukater (Kate Winslet) and Jack Dawson (Leonardo DiCaprio), daring them to nurture a passion that would change their lives forever.

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WEST
 ♠J10972
 ♥863
 ♦A53
 ♣75

EAST
 ♠843
 ♥AQ95
 ♦K
 ♣Q8642

SOUTH
 ♠Q65
 ♥742
 ♦J74
 ♣K1083

The bidding:
 West North East South
 Pass 1♦ Pass 1NT
 Pass 3NT
 Opening lead — jack of spades.

Most players surely prefer to win rather than lose — even though you may sometimes think your partner comes from exactly

the opposite school.

For example, consider this deal where South is in three notrump and you lead the jack of spades, won by dummy's king. Declarer returns the eight of diamonds, losing the trick to your partner's king. East, a firm believer in always returning the suit led by his partner, leads the eight of spades to dummy's ace.

This does not prove to be an enormous success. Declarer leads another diamond from dummy, forcing out your ace, and eventually winds up making three notrump.

It is true that East's spade return at trick three would have worked out fine if you had started with six spades to the J-10-9 instead of only five. But the fact remains that East's spade return was a dreadful play.

East should have realized that shifting to the five of hearts at trick three was certain to defeat the con-

tract. South clearly had no hope of making three notrump without establishing dummy's diamonds, and you were known to hold the ace. As soon as declarer led another diamond, you would take your ace and return a heart through the K-J to quickly settle South's hash.

The deal demonstrates for the umpteenth time that blindly following a general principle is not always the right thing to do. While the general rules of defensive play are highly reliable in most cases, that certainly doesn't mean one must follow a rule regardless of the situation. Every play must stand on its individual merits.

Of course, it goes against the grain to deliberately play away from the A-Q-9-5 into dummy's K-J-10, but if the circumstances demand it — as in this case — you must swallow hard and do it. It's simply a matter of self-survival.

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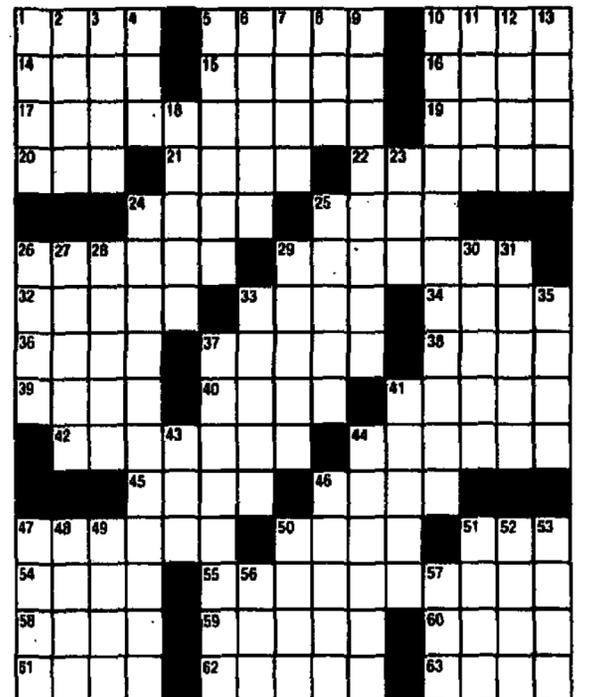
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- ACROSS**
- 1 27, to 3
 - 5 Virgule
 - 10 St. Nick accessory
 - 14 The top
 - 15 "Remember the —!"
 - 16 "Ars Amatoria" poet
 - 17 Surgical site in the Beaver State?
 - 19 Kid's phrase of request
 - 20 Chang's Siamese twin
 - 21 Itch
 - 22 Full moon color
 - 24 Commedia dell'—
 - 25 Rapper who co-starred in "New Jack City"
 - 26 Le Carré character George
 - 29 Methodology
 - 32 Estate papers
 - 33 Gunk
 - 34 Champagne Tony of golf
 - 36 — vera
 - 37 Middays
 - 38 Money to tide one over
 - 39 It's west of N.C.
 - 40 Just
 - 41 "What — I do?"
 - 42 Nielsen stats
 - 44 Comic Charles Nelson —
 - 45 Unpleasant task
 - 48 Hospital unit
 - 47 Declarer
 - 50 Swiss river

- 51 "— is me!"
- 54 Glitzy sign
- 55 Doc from the Old Line State?
- 58 Cartoonist Al
- 59 Chorus girls?
- 60 The first: Abbr.
- 61 Fashion's Klensch
- 62 1956 Four Lads hit "— Much!"
- 63 It's just for openers

DOWN

- 1 Supergarb
- 2 "— the rooftop..." (Christmas lyric)
- 3 Arctic Ocean sighting
- 4 Phone line abbr.
- 5 — pants (wise guy)
- 6 Jessica of "Frances"
- 7 Right-hand person
- 8 — cone
- 9 Decorated officers
- 10 Driver's license in the Gem State?
- 11 Russian "John"
- 12 Engine knock
- 13 Actress McClurg
- 18 Fishing gear
- 23 — room



Puzzle by Stephanie Spadaccini

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- 24 Sound system in the Keystone State?
- 25 Humor not for dummies
- 26 Quite a hit
- 27 Distance runner
- 28 Actress Massey
- 29 Chlorinated waters
- 30 1988 Olympics site
- 31 Inconsequential
- 33 Pagoda sounds
- 35 "Handy" man
- 37 Rural
- 41 Goddess of agriculture
- 43 Suffix with elephant
- 44 Least cooked
- 46 "Yippee!"
- 47 Suffix with utter
- 48 — piccata
- 49 Kin of "Uh-oh!"
- 50 Envelope abbr.
- 51 Alert
- 52 Leave off
- 53 Periphery
- 56 "Strange Magic" rock band
- 57 1988 Dennis Quaid remake

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The Kid and the Governor

This is the first of a two-part series.

Lew Wallace had entertained hopes of being an ambassador in the Middle East, not the Governor of a remote, violent frontier called the New Mexico Territory. But New Mexico was all that he had been offered, and Wallace was resigned to make the best of it.

Ironically, Wallace is remembered as much, if not more, for his actions in New Mexico than for any of his other accomplishments.

PAST TENSE



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Historian

Wallace, a former Civil War general in the Union Army, had taken over the reins of New Mexico in late 1878. His interest in the troubles of Lincoln County at the time was practically nil.

In February of 1879, Wallace was immersed in preparations for the arrival of his wife and

son at the Governor's Palace in Santa Fe. He was even more immersed in the completion of his novel, "Ben-Hur." But all that had to be set aside after Feb. 18, 1879. It was on that day that lawyer Huston Chapman was gunned down in the street in Lincoln.

Wallace is forced to involve himself

Prior to that day, Wallace had claimed, as much to convince himself as anyone else, that the problems in Lincoln County had resolved themselves. With the death of Chapman, Wallace could no longer look the other way. The Governor decided to go to Lincoln in person to see for himself exactly what was happening.

Upon his arrival, Wallace learned that there was a young man who had been an eyewitness to the death of Chapman. The problem was that the young man himself was a fugitive. He went by several aliases, but most people just called him "Kid." The Hispanic population called him "El Chivato." The name he went by was William H. Bonney. And shortly after Wallace's arrival, he received a letter from this fugitive.

The correspondence begins

Dear Sir

I have heard that You will give one thousand \$ dollars for my body which as I can understand it means alive as a Witness. I know it as a witness against those that Murdered Mr. Chapman. if it was so as that I could appear at Court I could give the desired information, but I have indictments against me for things that happened in the late Lincoln County War and am afraid to give up because my Enemies would kill me. the day Mr. Chapman was murdered I was in Lincoln, at the request of good Citizens to meet Mr. J.J. Dolan to meet as Friends, so as to be able to lay aside our arms and go to Work. I was present when Mr. Chapman

was Murdered and know who did it and if it were not for those indictments I would have made it clear before now. if it is in your power to Annully those indictments I hope you will do so so a(s) to give me a chance to explain. please send me an annser telling me what you can do You can send annser by bearer I have no Wish to fight any more indeed I have not raised an arm since Your proclamation. as to my Character I refer to any of the Citizens, for the majority of them are my Friends and have been helping me all they could. I am called Kid Antrim but Antrim is my stepfathers name. Waiting for an annser I remain Your Obedeint Servant.

W.H. Bonney

Delighted to have the cooperation of an eyewitness, Wallace addressed the following letter to the Kid:

Lincoln, March 15, 1879

W.H. Bonney,

Come to the house of old Squire Wilson (not the lawyer) at nine (9) o'clock next Monday night alone. I don't mean his office, but his residence. Follow along the foot of the mountain south of the town, come in on that side, and knock on the east door. I have authority to exempt you from prosecution, if you will testify to what you say you know. The object of the meeting at Squire Wilson's is to arrange the matter in a way to make your life safe. To do that the utmost secrecy is to be used. So come alone. Don't tell anybody - not a living soul - where you are coming or the object. If you could trust Jesse Evans, you can trust me.

Lew Wallace

A means to an end

What the Kid did not know was that he was merely the means to an end. Wallace never really gave a damn what happened to some young thief in the middle of nowhere. What he cared about was solving the troubles in Lincoln as quickly as possible and getting back to his novel. After all, what did the life of some youthful desperado, naively trying to clear his name matter, when placed next to Wallace's story of the King of Kings?

The Kid showed up at Squire Wilson's and met with the governor. Many years later, Wallace reminisced how the Kid had entered the dwelling with a rifle in one hand and a pistol in the other. The plan they agreed on was a simple one: The Kid would be arrested by the Sheriff, remain incarcerated until the Grand Jury met and testify. For this service Wallace promised him that "I will let you go scot free with a pardon in your pocket for all your misdeeds." The Kid liked this idea and disappeared into the darkness outside Squire Wilson's.

It wasn't long, though, before a fly got into the ointment. Within a matter of hours of the Kid's meeting with Wallace, Jesse Evans, along with Billy Campbell, the



Billy the Kid and Tom O'Folliard were the first "guests" of Juan Patron's bed and breakfast.

actual triggerman in Chapman's death, escaped from jail. It makes one wonder just how secret the Kid's meeting with the governor really was.

The Kid immediately fired off a somewhat nervous note to Squire Wilson:

Please tell You know who that I do not know what to do now as those Prisoners have escaped. to send word by a bearer a note through You it may be he has made different arrangements if not and he still wants it the same to Send "William Hudgins" as Deputy, to the Junction tomorrow at three o'clock, with some men you know to be all right. Send a note telling me what to do.

W.H. Bonney

P.S. Do not send soldiers.

Wallace attempts to assure the Kid

Clearly, the Kid was apprehensive. Jesse Evans and Billy Campbell were about as dangerous as men can be, and the Kid was not anxious to be confronted by them.

Wallace responded to the Kid's note with one of his own that stated that the escape of Evans and Campbell made no difference to the arrangements that he had made with Billy. On March 20, 1879, the Kid answered:

I will keep the appointment I made, but be Sure and have men come that you can depend on I am not afraid to die like a man fighting but I would not like to be killed like a dog unarmed. tell Kimbal to let his men be placed around the house and for him to come in alone, and he can arrest us. all I am afraid of is that in the Fort We might be poisoned or killed through a Window at night, but You can arrange that all right. tell the Commanding Officer to watch Lt. Goodwin he would not hesitate to do anything There will be danger on the road of somebody waylaying us to kill us on the road to the Fort. You will never catch those fellows on the Road. Watch Fritzes, Captain Bacas ranch and the Brewery. They will either go to Seven Rivers or to

Jicarilla mountains. They will stay close until the scouting parties come in give a spy a pair of glasses and let him get on the mountain back of Fritzes and watch and if they are there will be provision carried to them. It is not my place to advise you but I am anxious to have them caught and perhaps know how men hid from soldiers better than you. Please excuse me for having so much to say and still remain,

Yours truly,
W.H. Bonney

P.S. I have changed my mind. Send Kimbal to Gutierrez just below San Patricio one mile, because Sanger and Ballard are or were great friends of Camuls (Campbell). Ballard told me yesterday to leave for you were doing everything to catch me. It was a blind to get me to leave. Tell Kimbal not to come before 3 o'clock for I may not be there before.

The Kid surrenders

The next day, true to his word, the Kid surrendered, along with his inseparable friend, Tom O'Folliard. They were brought to Lincoln, spending their first night in Lincoln's infamous pit carcel - a jail that was little more than a hole in the ground - and were transferred the next day to the more pleasant surroundings of Juan Patron's. In a way, O'Folliard and the Kid were the first guests of the bed and breakfast that Patron's would ultimately become.

And what did Wallace really think of Billy? The answer lies in a letter that Wallace wrote to a friend back east about the same time. In this letter, Wallace commented that "A precious specimen named 'The Kid' whom the Sheriff is holding here in the Plaza, as it is called, is an object of tender regard. I heard singing and music the other night; going to the door I found the minstrels of the village actually serenading the fellow in his prison."

Wallace's contempt was palpable. It is interesting to note that for all of his education and sophistication, Wallace failed to realize the significance of the minstrels serenading the "Precious Specimen."

PARTING SHOT



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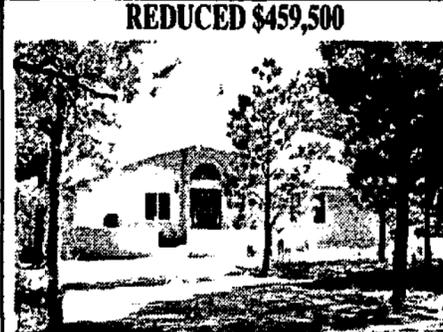
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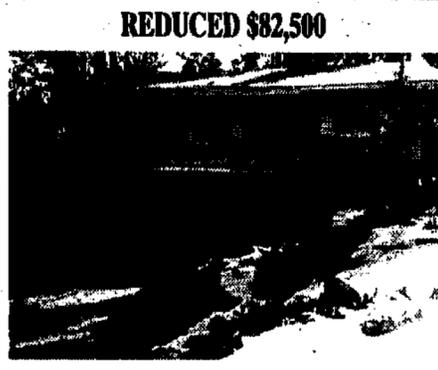
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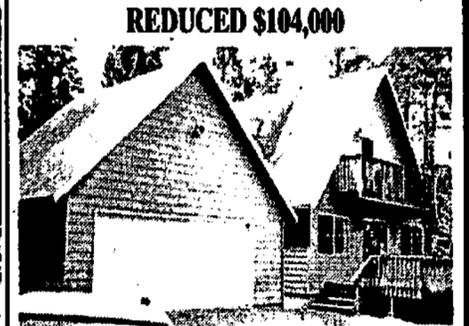
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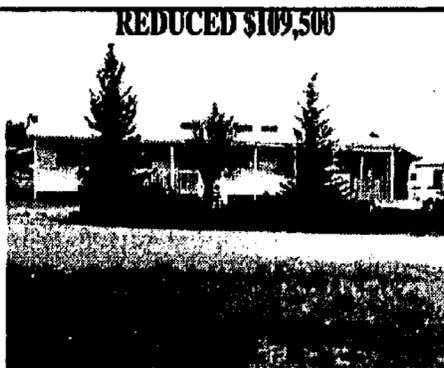
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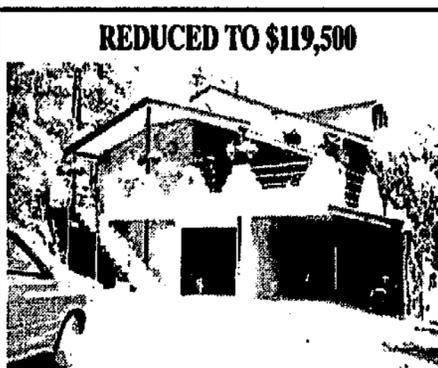
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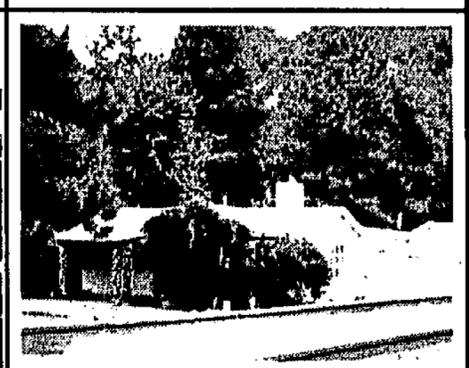
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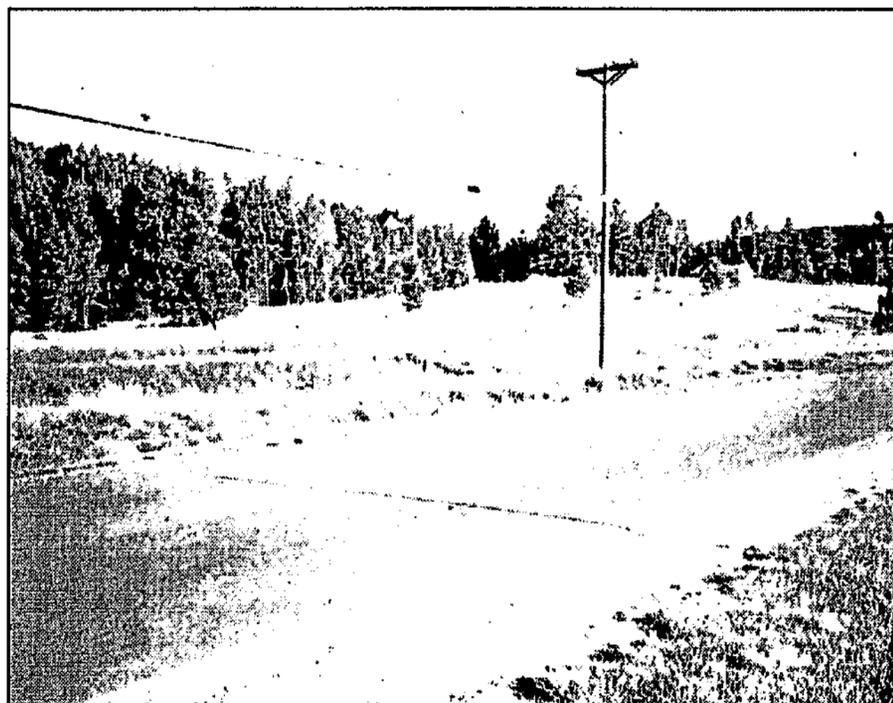
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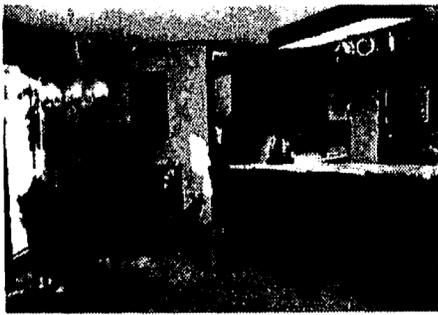


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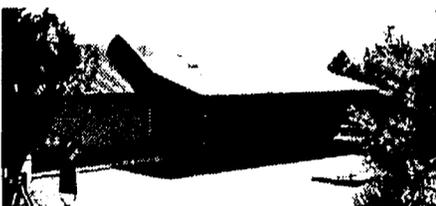
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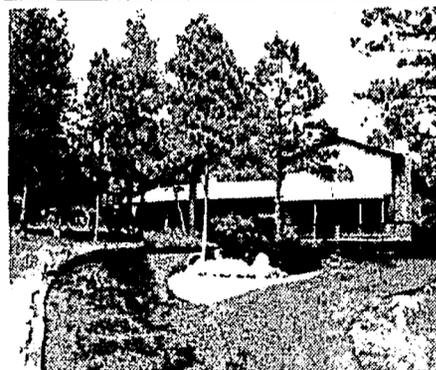
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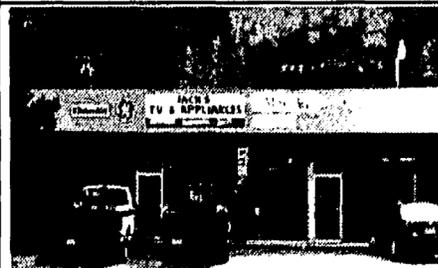
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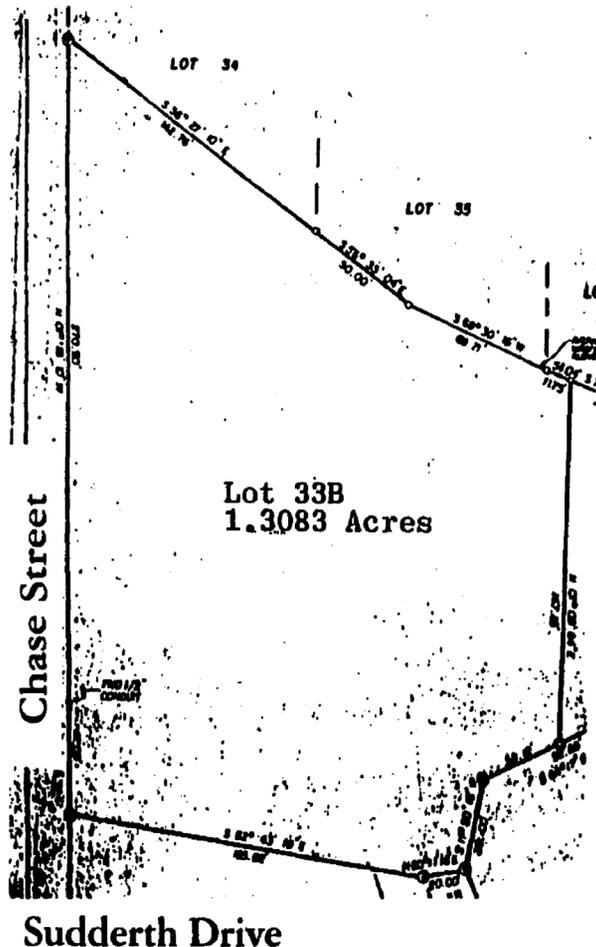
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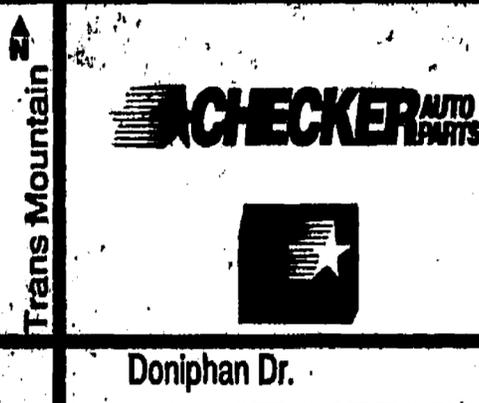
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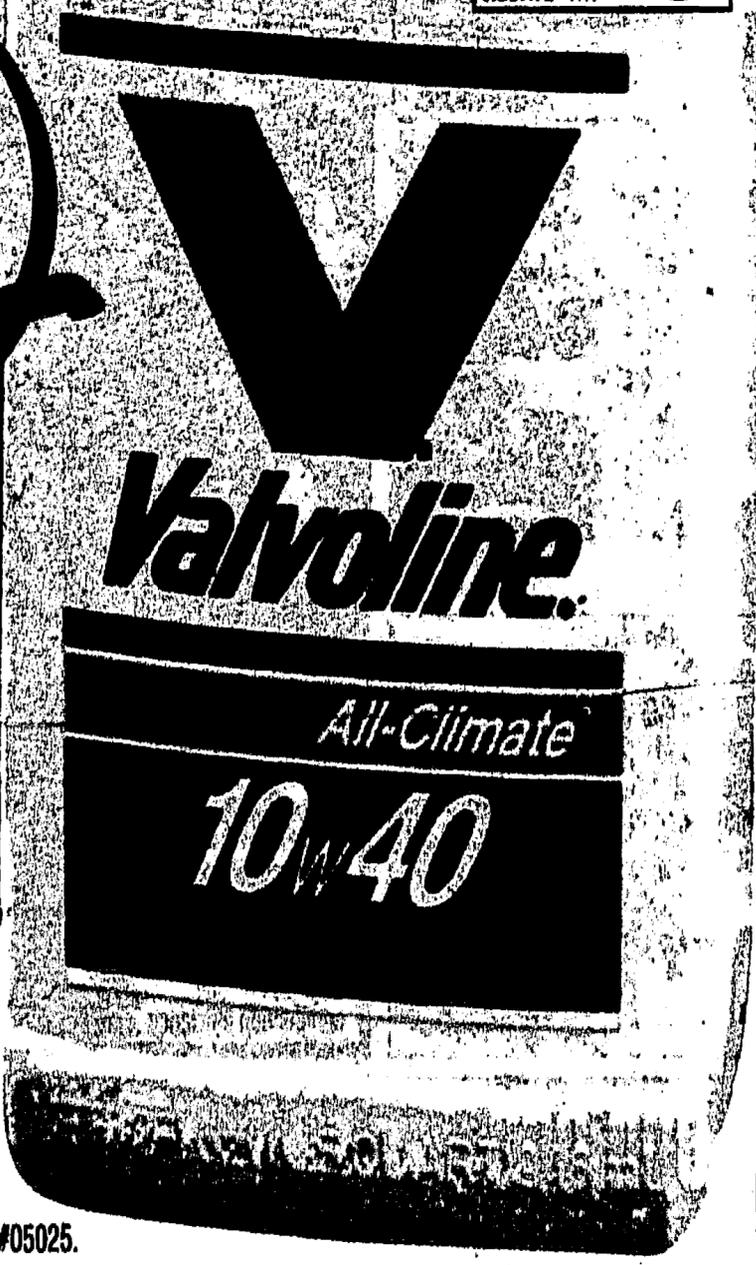
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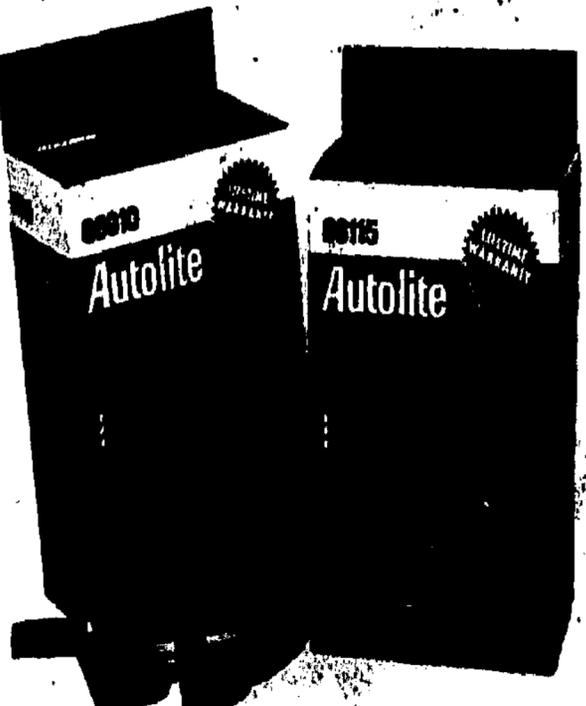
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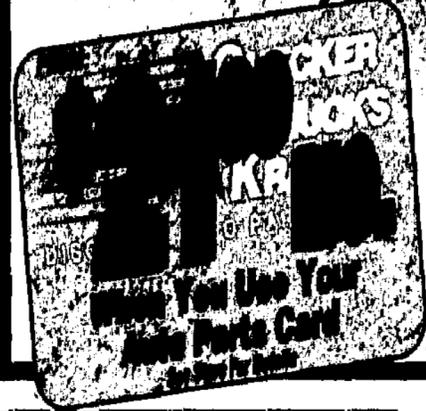
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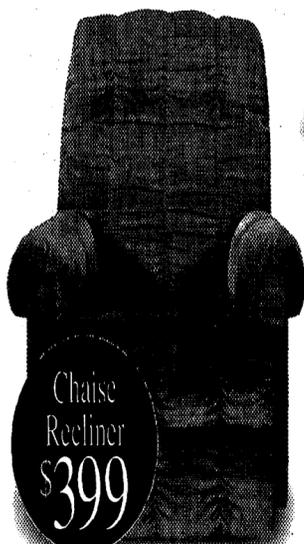
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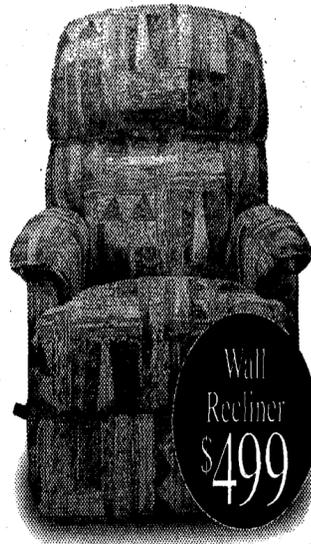
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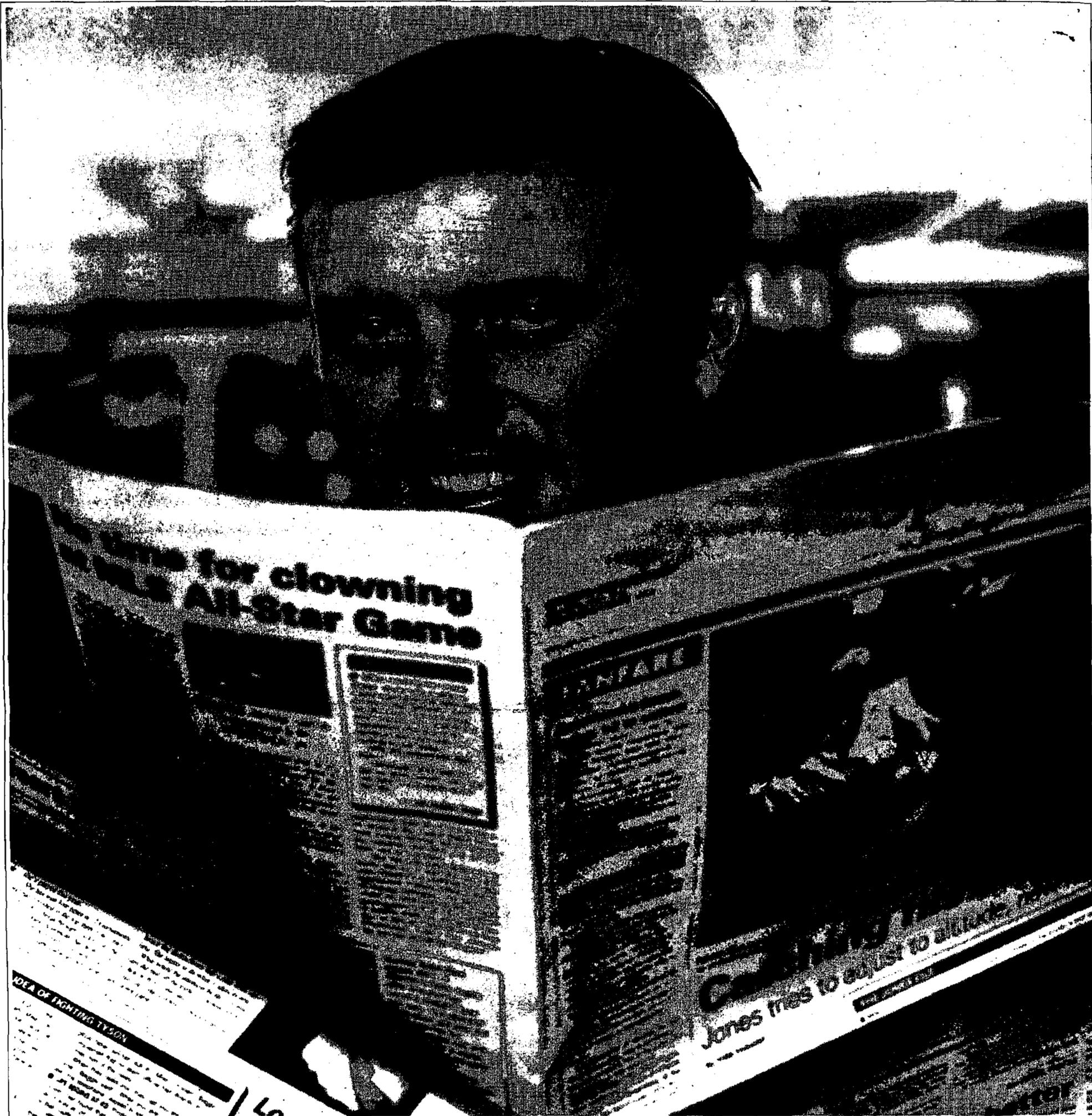
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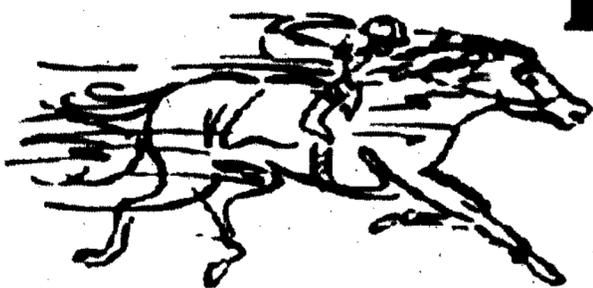
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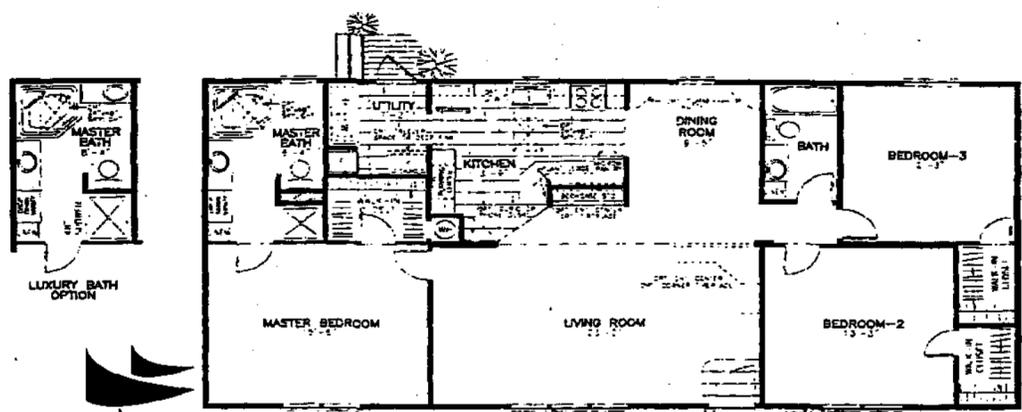
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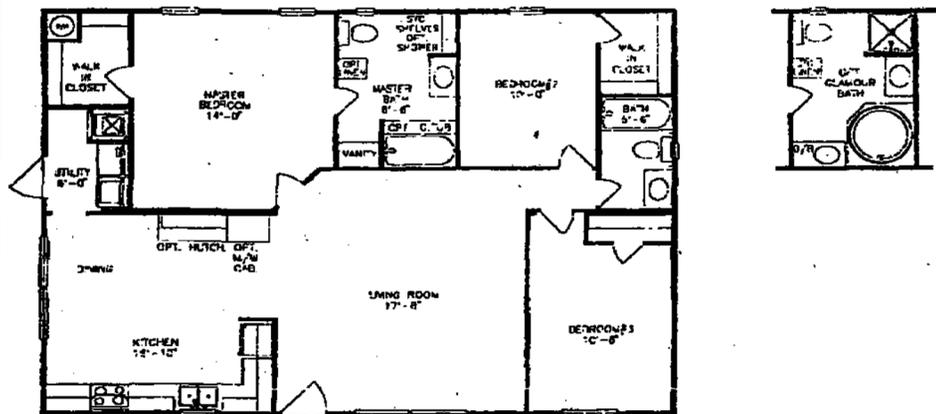


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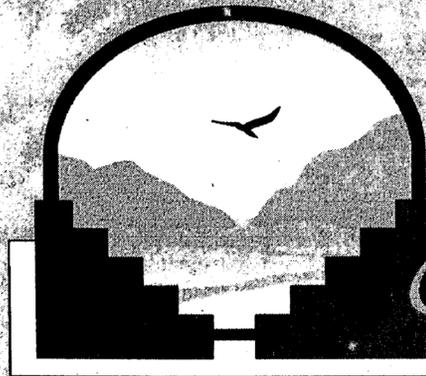
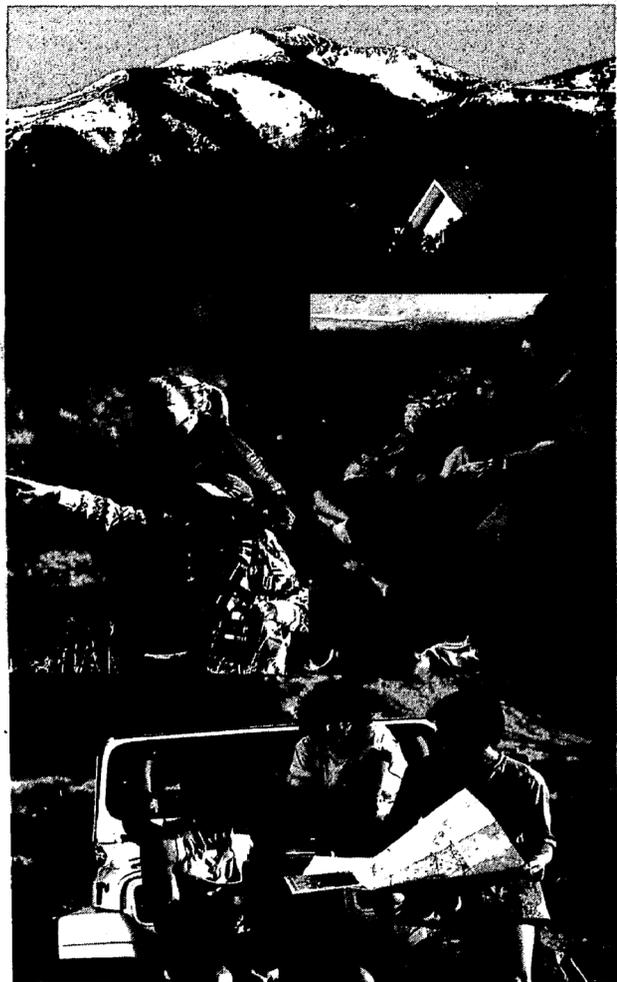
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