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After the fire

The Bureau of Indian Affairs begins to replant

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Stands of scorched trees rim the top of ridges in Mud Canyon, stark reminders of two fires that swept through the Mescalero Apache Reservation in 1996, burning 10,000 acres.

The loss of ground cover and trees, combined with a break in drought signaled by torrential summer rain, caused heavy run-off of mud-laden water along U.S. 70 and the Mud Canyon housing area a few months later.

Working with corporate sponsors, officials of the Bureau of Indian Affairs forestry branch at Mescalero are trying to reestablish a new commercially viable forest on those blackened acres. But the first commercial thinning harvest will have to wait 60 years.

With the backing of Tribal President Wendell Chino and the tribal council, a replanting project started last year aims to replace dead trees with 1.5 million seedlings over a five-year period, said Dave Koch, a silviculturist with the BIA who specializes in the management of forest stands.

Crews of about 40 workers a day, mostly tribal members, pile into four wheel drive trucks that climb steep, muddy roads to the porcupine quill mountainsides, bare except for charred trees and low ground cover. The grass either returned naturally or grew from seeding by helicopter after the Elk and Chino Well fires.

Any trees suitable for commercial salvage were harvested right after the fires. Some also were cut for fuel wood. What remains will be



With Sierra Blanca Peak as a backdrop, William Mendez prepares to plant seedlings in a charred stand of trees burned by wildfire on the Mescalero Apache Reservation in 1996. The inset shows the remains of a seedling.

allowed to decompose naturally, providing some shade for seedlings in their early years and enriching the soil later, Koch said.

Working in forest stand management for 15 years, first with the U.S. Forest Service in Arizona and for the past 12 years with the BIA in Mescalero, Koch earned his degree from the University of Northern Arizona in Flagstaff. As a child he

spent time with his father hiking and camping. When he was ready to chose a career, he knew he wanted to be outside and in a forest. That's what he's done, currently under the supervision of forest manager Tony Recker.

Ninety percent of the 8-month to 1-year-old seedlings being planted are Ponderosa pine, because of its higher commercial value. The rest

are Douglas fir, planted in moister, cooler areas. Once trees grow to commercial size, wholesale fir sells for \$200 to \$450 per 1,000 board feet (MBF). Pine sells for up to \$1,000 MBF, Koch said.

To date, about 300,000 seedlings have been planted on the burn area, an effort started last year.

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Seeing a reprieve for Ruidoso's budgetary woes

The blow to the village's budget because of the loss of Wal-Mart has not been felt

• Though Ruidoso leaders were predicting a 14-percent drop in gross receipts revenues, the village so far is down only about 3 percent for the fiscal year.

BY TONI K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Ruidoso Village Manager Gary Jackson had good news Tuesday regarding village coffers.

"We would appear to be on track — actually a little bit ahead of what we had previously predicted," Jackson told village councilors.

During the third of a series of monthly budget reviews, Jackson said Ruidoso's primary source of funding, gross receipts revenues, was down only 3 percent compared to a projected 14 percent drop.

Jackson suggested the monthly reviews in January because of the difficulty in determining the impact of Wal-Mart's move from Ruidoso to Ruidoso Downs.

Downs.

"There's no real pattern," he said of gross receipts revenues. "It could be the rest of the economy is made up for some of the difference."

Earlier estimates from the state projected a loss of about \$900,000 a year to Ruidoso in gross receipts revenue (sales tax). And Ruidoso Downs, where the Wal-Mart Super Center opened in mid-October, is expected to garner an extra \$1 million a year.

Despite Wal-Mart's move, revenue from January's sales was actually higher than last year, from \$430,181 to \$491,299, he said.

"We were up by about 19 percent," Jackson said of January's returns. "So, for a year-to-date total ... we are down 2.9 percent."

"I think it's very encouraging what a good winter can do in terms of gross receipts," Mayor Robert Donaldson said.

He also said that the council should not be too optimistic. "This could be an anomaly in that we had such a good ski year."

Jackson attributed a portion of January's high revenues not so much to increased payments to businesses making late gross receipts payments to the state.

"It would appear that there were a substantial number of non-current filers," Jackson said.

Village gross receipts revenues, collected so far for 67 percent of the fiscal year, reflect 85.7 percent of the budgeted gross receipts revenue.

Jackson also told the village expenditures had been kept to 52 percent of the fiscal year's budget so far.

"We will certainly continue to watch expenditures as carefully as always," he said.

Downs boy tells police he does not recall shooting

BY TONI K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A 9-year-old Ruidoso Downs boy remembers only "bits and pieces" of the day he was shot in the head, a police corporal said Thursday.

"He has limited memory — bits and pieces," said Cpl. Chris "Corky" Condon. "The only memory he has of that day is taking some cans to be recycled."

Condon and another Downs officer interviewed Jesse James Del Rio for the first time Wednesday at his room in Albuquerque at Carrie Tingley children's hospital.

Del Rio was in good spirits during the interview, Condon said.

"He was doing really good. He was talking, he was joking with me," Condon said. "He has even gained some weight."

On Feb. 21, a family member discovered the boy at about 10 p.m. lying in a bedroom of his home. He

had head wounds from where a bullet entered one temple and exited another, police said. A .22-caliber pistol lay on the floor close to him.

The gun used in the shooting came back Wednesday from a Santa Fe state crime laboratory, where it was being processed for evidence, Condon said. The only evidence to process was a partial bloodied fingerprint, he said.

"It was half a smudge ... It was so distorted they couldn't compare it to anything."

By Wednesday of next week, evidence collected from Del Rio's hands after the shooting should be available, Condon said. He has recuperated from the shooting, but "It doesn't look like he's going to regain his sight," Condon said, adding that doctors caring for Del Rio say permanent blindness is not an absolute.

Condon and other Downs officers continue to look into the shooting, which until Thursday was being

investigated as either an accident, an attempted suicide, or foul play.

"We have eliminated one them," said Condon of the possibilities. Before stating which, Condon said he needed to confer with Canon Stevens, an assistant district attorney. Condon did say no arrests are pending at this time.

Officers continue to interview Del Rio's family members. Their discussion with Del Rio Wednesday was "inconclusive" as to assisting the investigation, Condon said.

Doctors told Condon the bullet did not damage the memory portion of Del Rio's brain. "And with time and counseling, he may be able to eventually remember," he said.

Officers talked with Betty Herrera, Del Rio's mother, on Wednesday to tie down several factors in the shooting, Condon said.

Police collect more evidence in case of missing woman

BY ELAINE HOBBS
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Another piece in the puzzle may have been found this week in the disappearance of Elizabeth Ballard/Lankhorst.

Ruidoso Police Chief Lanny Maddox said the suspects in the case moved out of their house and left Ruidoso March 28, and sufficient evidence has been found in the house to bring in the state's crime lab to go over the site.

Police also plan to bring back a specially trained cadaver dog from Santa Fe to follow up on a new lead next Tuesday.

Ballard/Lankhorst has not been heard from since she borrowed her mother's car to go to the store on the night of March 8. The car was in the mother's driveway the next morning, thoroughly cleaned and with the keys

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RUIDOSO'S THREE-DAY WEATHER OUTLOOK

SATURDAY	High ... 68 Low ... 28	MONDAY	High ... 68 Low ... 33
Partly cloudy		Partly cloudy	

SUNDAY	High ... 68 Low ... 31	Partly cloudy	
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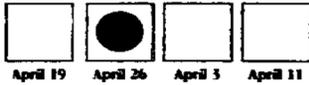
WEATHER ALMANAC

Ruidoso Readings	High	Low	Precip.
Tuesday	49	18	.00"
Wednesday	61	18	.00"
Thursday	46	30	.00"

Regional-Wednesday	High	Low	Forecast
Albuquerque	62	23	Mostly sunny
El Paso, TX	72	36	Mostly sunny
Lubbock, TX	70	40	Mostly sunny
Midland, TX	75	39	Mostly sunny

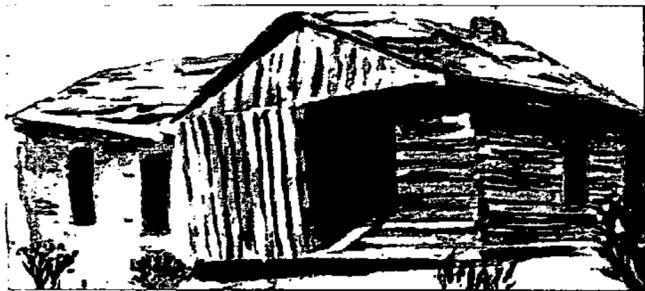


Aug. Sept. phases of the moon



STARDATE

On April 6, Mercury is in inferior conjunction, passing between Earth and Sun and moving from evening sky to morning sky.



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A painting of a house in White Oaks

L.C. SCRAPBOOK

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

White Oaks Eagle

April 5, 1900

Andy Mayes was in town Monday from his Mal Pais ranch for supplies.

Estolano Sanchez, commissioner from this district, returned from Lincoln Tuesday.

Master William Gallacher gave a birthday party

Wednesday. Seventy-five guests were present.

Ernest Langston has quit work for the railroad company at the Salado and will return to White Oaks to live.

W. G. Robertson and E. S. Dolph, of Scranton, Penn., are in the city looking after valuable mining interests here.

This has been a good week for every business house in White Oaks.

Six coal miners came here yesterday from Cerrillos. They made the journey overland by wagon.

FOREST: managing the trees

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an effort started last year. The Mescalero greenhouse produces about 380,000 seedlings a year.

Properly spaced, the seedlings will grow at a rate of about six inches in diameter every 20 years, Koch said. Growth accelerates after 15 years, when seedlings obtain dominance over competing vegetation.

In dry periods, the survival rate may be as low as 20 percent. In wetter periods, 85 percent will survive. They're planted just as the mountain snow begins to melt and again when summer rains start to ensure a source of natural moisture, he said.

The bureau allows logging operations of small and large-diameter trees. In recent years, trees as small as five to nine inches have become more marketable as national forests have shut down tree cutting in the debate over endangered species protection. To attain 20 inches in diameter might take a tree 80 to 100 years, Koch said.

The tribe practices "uneven aged management" in its forests, to ensure a viable forest at all times. An area will be cut in 20-year cycles, removing undesirable trees or timber with diseases or insect infestations.

Koch is a firm believer in the advantages of thinning a forest.

"Stand density reduction improves growth rates, forage production, water resources and habitat for big game," he said. "The potential for large catastrophic fire also is decreased."

Ponderosa pines in some parts of the Sacramento Mountains are being lost to disease and other problems, because the trees are cramped and do not receive enough sunlight, he said.

The crowded stands also provide a ready source of fuel for wildfire.

By thinning, the remain-

ing trees are healthier and grow better. By keeping ground cover cleaned or burned off, more sparsely-treed areas help firefighters stop wildfires by reducing fuel, Koch said. Of the 10,000 acres burned in the Elk and Chino Well fires, 4,500 acres were productive timberland, he said.

"A well stocked stand often looks open to people even though historically that's the way forests in the Southwest grew," he said. Fire suppression and lack of thinning created an unnatural situation, he said.

Once the trees and cut limbs decompose and the crowns of the remaining trees fill out from the additional sunlight and less competition for water, people generally don't see any evidence of cutting, Koch said.

The crews moving through the burn area will plant from 300 to 350 seedlings per person per day, he said. The goal is to place on each acre between 350 to 400 of the seedlings, all of them less than one-foot tall. They are planted in holes from eight to 10 inches deep, without water.

Crew members look for good sites on the north side of stumps and fallen or standing burned trees to block wind and provide shade. A minimum distance of 12 x 12 feet is maintained between each plant. An area 2-feet by 2-feet around each seedling is cleared of weeds and grass.

"The Mescalero tree planting crew has done an excellent job in selecting good microsites for seedlings," Koch said. "They have a vested interest in caring for the land."

Money for the replanting project comes primarily from Congressional appropriations. However, an organization called American Forests also provides reforestation funding through a project called Global Relief, to which companies such as Eddie Bauer have

"The Mescalero tree planting crew has done an excellent job"

Dave Koch, Silviculturist



Dianne Stallings/Ruidoso News
Dave Koch, a silviculturist with the Bureau of Indian Affairs on the Mescalero Reservation stands under blackened and barren trees.

contributed up to \$80,000 for the Mescalero replanting.

The total cost of replanting probably will be \$1.5 million, Koch said. The project also provides seasonal employment for tribal members.

Crews are split about 50/50 between men and women, said Cyrus Simmons, reforestation foreman.

Koch heard about the Global Relief sponsorship program through America Forests from another BIA forester. He submitted a pro-

posal that was funded last year and again this year.

Replanting works, as stands of young trees at Elk Springs show.

A fire there in 1971, possibly started by a residue burner at a sawmill, took out 21,000 acres, burning from Highway 244 east to Cow Camp.

The area was replanted from 1973-80, then replanted again in sections with high failure rates. Today those trees are healthy and average 12 feet in height.

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Impact fee hearing on May 19

Mayor Donaldson, citing controversy, delays a planned vote on the issue

Because of controversy regarding possible impact fees on new development, the Ruidoso Village Council scheduled a special meeting at 6 p.m. May 19 for a public hearing on the issue.

The hearing will be at the Ruidoso Convention Center.

Mayor Robert Donaldson said Tuesday a vote on impact fees would not be taken at the May 19 meeting, but scheduled

for a later session.

"My idea would be to hold two meetings ... to really hear what the public wants," Donaldson said.

A village advisory board recently voted 4-1 against assessing any type of impact fees on new construction. The Village Council, however, is not constrained to accept the board's advice.

According to a consultant's

study, Ruidoso should charge impact fees of \$4,100 a home to pay for infrastructure costs. The village, if a fee were adopted, could assess less than \$4,100.

Critics say the fees will negatively impact the local housing market, including existing structures. Proponents say Ruidoso has little alternative in light of increased infrastructure demands.

VILLAGE BRIEFS

Housing hearing slated

Affordable housing hearing could be scheduled for April 21

The Ruidoso Planning and Zoning Commission will decide Tuesday whether to schedule a public hearing on an affordable housing project for April 21.

The hearing, if scheduled, will be at the Ruidoso Convention Center, said Village Planning Director Cleatus Richards. The commission usually holds its meetings at Ruidoso Village Hall. Richards said the convention center is being considered for the commission's April 21 meeting because of the many people interested in the affordable housing project.

A group of home owners has formed in Tierra del Oso, which translates as "land of the bear."

Representatives of the White Mountain Home Owners' Association have criticized the project saying it would lower neighborhood property values, strain the infrastructure and create other problems.

Right-of-way policy

Guidelines for vacating public rights-of-ways are being drafted at the request of the Ruidoso Village Council. A proposal is scheduled to be presented to the council on April 14.

Requests by citizens to use village rights-of-ways appear routinely on the council's agenda, yet Ruidoso doesn't have any set policies for dealing with them, said Ruidoso Village Manager Gary Jackson.

Cleatus Richards, planning director, said a consultant will conduct a study of the village's current fee for public rights-of-way. The fee has not been updated for about 10 years, he said.

Though a final proposal is being drafted, on Tuesday councilors discussed including a clause that would allow the village to reclaim vacated rights-of-way if the need arose, such as in the case of road widening.

Additionally, a fee of \$50 a year and 10 cents a square foot was discussed by councilors.

Sign law amendments

Three changes are being proposed to the Ruidoso village ordinance regulating signs, their sizes and placement.

The amendments and zoning Commission for recommendation. They include:

- Under general regulations, a change would allow signs on or over public property provided the signs were properly licensed.

- Under banners across-the-street banners, applications could be submitted 90 days prior to the event being publicized rather than the current 120 days.

- Under off-premise and directional signs, an amendment would increase the allowable size of off-premise signs from 20' to 32 square feet.

Though Ruidoso's sign laws have been a contentious issue in the past, a public hearing to review the law drew comments from only one resident.

"I believe there is a feeling in town that the 4 by 5 foot off-premise sign is too small," said Al Junge, a Ruidoso resident. "Four by 8 (feet) would be much better."

Term limitations

Ruidoso may discard a recently enacted three-term limitation for board and commission members.

"I believe we may have been in error by doing that," Donald-

son said Tuesday about the decision to create term limits.

"There are a number of people with very fine qualifications who would be pushed out," Donaldson said.

A public hearing and vote on the issue is scheduled for April 28.

Sirens

Four non-working emergency sirens around Ruidoso will be fixed and two more added. On Tuesday, village councilors approved a budget amendment for \$21,500 from the general fund for the sirens.

A new signal controller would allow police dispatchers a reliable way to turn the sirens on during times of crisis situations such as fires or floods, Jackson said.

Residents, alerted by the sirens, could turn to a designated radio frequency for information and instructions regarding the emergency.

Crystal P. Adams to wed Kip McClellan

Crystal P. Adams of Ruidoso and Kip R. McClellan of Ruidoso will be married at 2:30 p.m. April 12 at the Flying J Ranch.

Adams is the daughter of Cliff and Lela Holcomb of Ruidoso and McClellan is the son of Peggy and the late Charles McClellan, also of Ruidoso.

A reception will follow the wedding at the ranch. Friends of the couple are invited to attend. For more information, call Peggy or Lela at at 257-2365 or 378-4675.

RUIDOSO POLICE

Bricks removed from behind Winner's Circle

Three pallets of bricks valued at \$800 disappeared from behind the Winner's Circle on April 1, police said. The report said approximately 2600 bricks on the pallets were taken by persons unknown. Police said there was no evidence at the scene to indicate how the bricks were moved.

Purse, keys stolen; car gone soon afterward

A woman reported the disappearance of her purse and her car on the night of March 31.

Christina M. Gonzales reported to police that on the afternoon of March 31 she left her purse with the car keys in it on her front porch about 1 p.m. and forgot about it. Sometime during the night, her car disappeared along with the purse.

When the report came in to Ruidoso Police on April 1, they advised her to call Ruidoso Downs Police. She was then informed by Ruidoso Downs Police that a car matching her car's description had been

found upside down after hitting a tree, the report said. Police said the odor of alcohol was strong in the car, and Gonzales' purse was found in the car with the keys inside it. Gonzales said in the report that there was nothing else that she had left in her purse.

The car was impounded. It is not driveable.

Court appearance set following incident

The husband of Ruidoso police officer Ramona Sabo will appear in Magistrate Court on April 8 after pleading not guilty on April 2 to charges of assault and battery.

Charges were brought against Doug Sabo by Jack Nelson of 214 Coconino after Sabo reportedly got out of his car, started yelling obscenities and punched Nelson.

Police reported Nelson heard Sabo say something about running him off the road and kept trying to get Nelson to fight with him. Nelson reportedly told Sabo he wouldn't fight with him but would bring charges

against him.

Sabo then told Nelson to go ahead and file charges, that nothing would happen because there were no witnesses and his wife was a police officer, police said.

Nelson reported that Sabo then followed him onto his property and then left as Nelson went inside.

Truck bumps Buttery; damaged car returned

A red pickup truck ran into the back of the Village Buttery March 29, hitting a door and wall and breaking a gas line, police said.

The truck, which belonged to James L. Guill of 204 Wingfield, was damaged by trees on the driver's side, the mirror was knocked off and the push bar bumper was damaged.

No evidence of tampering was found in the wiring or ignition, police said, but the hood could not be opened for inspection of the engine because there was too much damage to it.

The truck was later returned to the owner.

SCHOOL MENUS

Friday, April 10, is the start of the Easter break.

Rob Hill & Sierra Vista

Monday, April 6 - Breakfast: cereal, milk, juice. Lunch: Fried chicken, mashed potatoes, corn, fruit, milk.

Tuesday, April 7 - Breakfast: donut, milk, fruit. Lunch: Sloppy Joe w/fritos, pork-n-beans, fruit, milk.

Wednesday, April 8 - Breakfast: cereal, milk, fruit. Lunch: spaghetti, green beans, garlic bread, fruit, milk.

Thursday, April 9 - Breakfast: sweet roll, milk, fruit. Lunch: beef pizza, tossed salad, chilled fruit, rice krispy treat, milk.

White Mountain

Monday, April 6 - Breakfast: cereal, milk, juice. Lunch: pizza, tater tots, salad, fruit, milk.

Tuesday, April 7 - Breakfast: turnover, milk, fruit.

Lunch: Sloppy Joe w/fritos or fruit pie, pork-n-beans, fruit, milk.

Wednesday, April 8 - Breakfast: cereal, milk, fruit. Lunch: spaghetti or chili cheese baked potato, green beans, garlic bread, fruit, milk.

Thursday, April 9 - Breakfast: sweet roll, milk, fruit. Lunch: Taco Bell Fiesta Burrito, nacho rounds, salad, fruit, milk.

Ruidoso Middle School

Monday, April 6 - Breakfast: cereal, milk, juice. Lunch: foot long chili cheese dog, baked beans, tossed salad, fruit.

Tuesday, April 7 - Breakfast: cherry turnover, milk, fruit. Lunch: glazed ham, mixed vegetables, Au Gratin potatoes, salad, fruit.

Wednesday, April 8 - Breakfast: Jelly filled donut, milk, fruit. Lunch: beef tacos, spicy pinto beans, tossed salad, fruit.

Thursday, April 9 - Breakfast: cereal, milk, juice. Lunch: spaghetti w/meat sauce, green beans, garlic bread, tossed salad, cherry cobbler.

Ruidoso High School

Monday, April 6 - Breakfast: cereal, milk, juice. Lunch: foot long chili cheese dog, baked beans, tossed salad, fruit.

Tuesday, April 7 - Breakfast: donut, milk, fruit. Lunch: Chef's salad, w/chopped ham, grated cheese, tomato wedges, crackers, dressing.

Wednesday, April 8 - Breakfast: baked French toast, syrup, milk, fruit. Lunch: chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, gravy, fruit.

Thursday, April 9 - Breakfast: sweet roll, milk, fruit. Lunch: spaghetti w/meat sauce, green beans, garlic bread, tossed salad, cherry cobbler.

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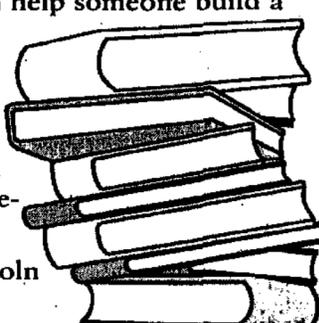
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OUR OPINION

Watchword: cooperation

With population growth a fact of life in almost every village and valley of Lincoln County, cooperation must be the watchword for those people coping with it.

Such would be the summary statement if a traditional diplomatic "white paper" had been written following the Community Update meeting at the Ruidoso Civic Center this week. Community officials and managers representing most of the population of the county, along with a good many other interested people, spent a full day Tuesday airing their concerns and offering their solutions.

Participants acknowledged that in each governing entity, a local decision could have a ripple effect. No single action resolves a dilemma. Communities should consider the impact on the whole county for every action considered.

The executive director of the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce put it in focus this way: "The biggest challenge...is our lack of ability to work and play well together."

Animosities such as those between Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs resulting from the relocation of a major retailer from one community to the other must be put behind us; future cooperation is more important than past frustration.

Large issues are inevitable as the county continues to grow, such as the most recent one — a new county detention center built to handle an increasing number of lawbreakers. Yes, crime increases right along with population.

Taxes can't be separated from growth, because the presence of more people signals a need for more schools, expanded services, an enlarged infrastructure. And taxes, whether in the form of bonded indebtedness, gross receipts or federal hand-outs, ultimately are the price we all pay for a decent place to live.

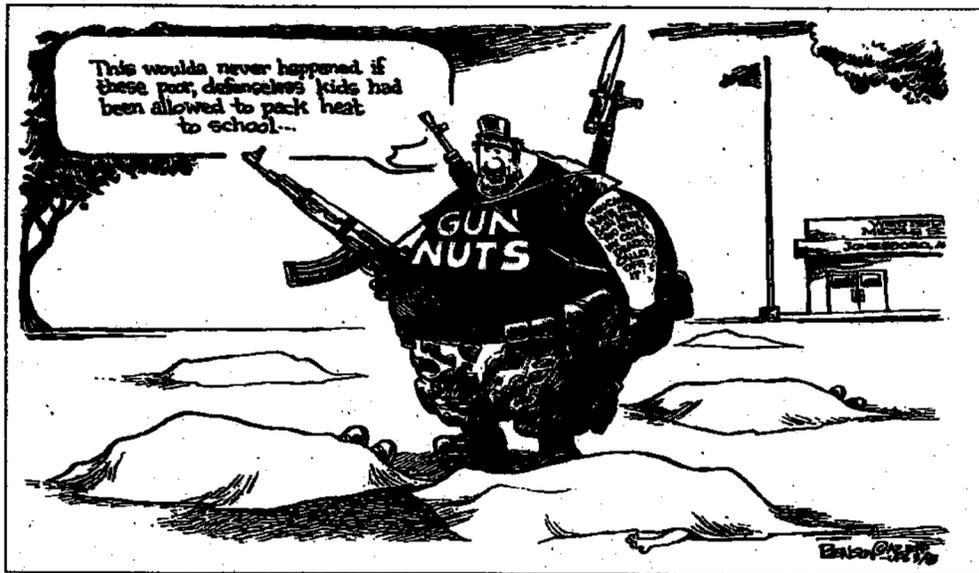
In essence, we must cope with the world as it is, not what we might wish it to be.

Rick Vincent, 1941-1998

The sudden death on Monday of Richard W. Vincent, one of the stalwarts of Ski Apache for the past 30 years, left his many friends and co-workers grieving.

His association with skiing as a sport and business was almost life-long. He had headed Ski Apache's ski school since 1972. His legacy, a friend said, is the organization he leaves behind and the people he's been associated with.

We join the entire community in honoring the memory of a man who made a difference in Ruidoso.



THE SILVER LINING

Going out (sort of) like a lamb

The old saying goes that if March comes in like a lamb, it will go out like a lion, and vice-versa.



BY DAN STORM
 COLUMNIST

As far as I can remember, March came in like a lamb, bright and shining; no wind and not very cold.

About the 27th the west wind whipping up stronger and stronger, until on the 29th it had dried up the land until dust was flying down the draw along what you might call a road leading up to the house.

Then on the 29th the sky was all white up to the west from the White Sands away to the west. At the time snow arrived on the mountain, pushed in by El Niño from California.

By early evening a fine mist began riding in on the west wind while snow clouds appeared on the horizon to the east.

After dark you noticed that a light snow was falling.

Early on the 30th a band of snow clouds from the east met with a storm off the mountain, directly overhead.

Then all day long the winds from the east and west took turns blowing in the snow with flakes of all sizes and shapes whirling, flying, swirling in the wintery blasts.

The thirsty ground soaked up most of the snow as it fell, although the pinons and cedar caught it and were turned into a scene of winter wonderment.

A different world

This morning, on March 31, the wind was traveling full force over this snowy vale, and I took down the American flag to save it from the blast, which was rocking the flag pole.

As the morning moved along toward noon, the wind was too much for the snow, together with the bright sun shining from a blue sky.

Now at exactly 12 in mid-day the temperature is 58 degrees at the gate and — would you believe it — there is not a speck of snow to be seen in any direction, high or low, and I have put the flag

back up.

Allen Reynolds services

Word was received from his daughter, Timmie Bullock, that our long-time friend, Allen Reynolds, had been called home by our Lord. Services were Thursday at the Ruidoso Baptist Church. I hope to bring you a little something about the service next time.

Spring bounces back

At 12:30 here we are on the eve of the first day of April.

All is still all through Storm Vale, except for the call of the dove echoing and resounding peacefully down from the hillside. The rufous-sided towhee, the jay, the house finch, nut hatch and other birds of summer have joined the snow birds feeding along the pathway to the door.

All the mountain land is rejoicing at Spring's return.

Again, thank you for the honor of these visits through the magic of the printed page. And let us look forward to the blessing of a joyous Easter season.

YOUR OPINION

Saving the home place

To the editor:

The recent article about the zoning controversy in Lincoln County mentioned that without zoning, ranchers have no protection against being squeezed out by subdivisions. I assume that Commissioner (Wilton) Howell is referring to the normal way ranchers are forced to submit to development by being required to pay higher and higher taxes until selling the home place is inevitable.

Ranchers are no longer victims of that scenario. We are now able to protect our family lands and continue our way of life as agriculturists by placing a voluntary conservation easement on our property. Our development rights (subdivision or other related development) can be placed in a land trust and retired in perpetuity.

Simply put, that means a ranch or farm that has risen in value dramatically because of encroaching subdivisions may be kept in the family by using a voluntary conservation easement to lower the estate tax significantly. Consequently, the children or other heirs will not have to sell the property to pay the IRS up to 50 percent of the value of the estate, after exemption, within nine months of the death of the owner.

Coincidentally, there will be a workshop on conserving agricultural lands on April 18 starting at 8:30 a.m. at the Museum of the Horse (in Ruidoso Downs).

Leading authorities on the use of voluntary conservation easements to protect agriculture and ownership of family lands in western states have agreed to share their knowledge and experiences at this special meeting.

By the way, Wilton Howell looked pretty good on that gray horse! (Community Update section, March 27).

Sid Goodloe
 Carrizo Valley Ranch

Library scheduling

To the editor:

There seems to be an important point that the present day library staff needs to keep in mind. The library exists to serve the patrons...the public. The hours are set to be the most helpful to the greatest number of people in the communities which the library serves. When I was director of a county library, all the area libraries determined hours from the times which the libraries were used most heavily by the patrons.

Several years ago, when there were only four librarians, the Ruidoso Public Library was open until 6 or 6:30 most nights, open later one night a week, and open until 2 p.m. on Saturday. I'm sure the present staff could arrange the hours, perhaps open at 10:30 or 11 a.m. and stay open until 6 or 6:30 p.m., and arrange to be open Saturday as well.

Perhaps this swank, pricey

new library really needs two more librarians, as has been claimed, or perhaps this is simply a ploy to push Lincoln County into making one more unnecessary expenditure. First, try the simple stratagem of a new arrangement of hours and see if the library can't please more of the patrons.

Judith M. Blucher
 White Oaks

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

The News reserves the right to reject any letter.

Coincidence worth noting

We've remarked more than once in this column that certain members of our Congressional delegation in Washington have been among the leading users of fax machines from the day they were invented.

MOUNTAIN ASIDES



BY KEITH GREEN
 RUIDOSO NEWS

Especially Sen. Pete Domenici; he seems to have taken to heart the axiom that no elected lawmaker can communicate too much with the people who elected him, and the news people who most often are the relayers of the information.

We've grumbled occasionally that all that phone time is just a waste of taxpayer's money.

But sometimes we have to bow to the senator, and one of those times is now.

On Wednesday, April Fool's Day, we received a faxed news release from Pete in which he said he had joined in honoring survivors of breast cancer.

Unfortunately, that fax got dumped. But it was important enough to get a better read, so we called the senator's office, and who answered the phone but Sarah Echols, a young lady from Ruidoso who's been helping the senator for a few months now.

(She said she sure wished she was at Ski Apache, skiing.)

But, she did promptly send the fax again, and indeed Domenici did cosponsor a resolution designating Wednesday as "National Breast Cancer Survivor's Day."

"On this day we can pay tribute to the brave women and men who are breast cancer survivors," said Domenici.

He didn't know it, probably, but it couldn't have been more timely in Ruidoso, because the night before, on Tuesday, one of our newly elected village councilors, Ovella Estes, revealed that her battle with breast cancer had entered a new phase; that it had recurred.

Readers may recall that about this time last year, she was in the forefront of establishing an area support group for victims of cancer.

We were impressed then by her forward-looking determination that she would not be defeated. We were impressed when she successfully campaigned for, and won, a council seat.

Most of all, we were impressed by her great good humor as she revealed to fellow council members that her battle against cancer was not over...and that she probably wouldn't win it.

It wasn't an early April Fool's joke; it was for real, right down to the oxygen tank she carried.

Her story truly is a profile in courage.

Cleaning up after the big snake story of 1960 that we've been perpetuating for too long:

Al Stubbs, many of you might recall, was editor of the Ruidoso News in the '80s. He also had edited the Alamogordo Daily News and — back in the '60s, the Roswell Daily Record.

Al was recovering in Albuquerque from injuries from an auto accident when we regurgitated that "biggest rattlesnake" story, but called upon his return to Ruidoso to confess that he — the brash young editor of the Record at the time — had bit on the hoax perpetrated by Ruidoso's Bill Hart and Vic Lamb, and published the snake story, picture and all.

"And," said Stubbs, "I don't think the story ever was printed in the Ruidoso News."

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YOUR OPINION

Whose land is it?

To the editor:
This is in response to Mr. (Jay Zane) Walley's letter of March 25, in regard to the passage of the Lincoln County land use resolution. Federal land belongs to the people of the United States. That includes those East Coast bureaucrats, West Coast bureaucrats and all other men, women and children, and the...generations to come.
These bureaucrats passed legislation — Taylor Grazing Act, Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILT). Certain monies are collected and percentage amounts are dispensed to states and counties. The federal government has paid Lincoln County adequately. In 1994, Lincoln County received \$48,775.15 from Taylor Grazing and \$340,998 from PILT funds. This amounts to more than 35 cents per acre for every acre of federal land in Lincoln County. Private range land produced 4 cents per acre.

All gas and oil royalties are split 50-50 with the state. Of 1993 royalty and lease revenue of \$270 million, \$135 million came to New Mexico. This happens every year, although I don't have the latest figures.

... Fish hatcheries, picnic areas and recreational sites for the public need water. The federal government has to apply for this water, so how is this use...by the...government a threat to the people?

The National Forest, B. L. M. and other federal lands are subject to orders from Washington, and from our courts. The Forest Guardians and the Southwestern Center for Biological Diversity are Americans expressing their rights. We all have that right! May the scientific facts...be used to settle these issues. The multiple-use policy is for the good of all. This land isn't managed just for livestock.

... The (county) land use plan at \$19,814 and the public land use committee at undi-

closed dollars is fighting a special-interest battle at the expense of the taxpayer...

Robert E. Hollis
Ruidoso

Objection too late

To the editor:
I have read, with interest, your opinion dated 3-25-98 captioned "A public library?"
"Opinions, after the fact, are easily come by; however, the time to talk about the library was when the bond issue was being promoted.

Perhaps the new library should not have been built. The fact that the funds necessary to maintain proper hours for a library would be in short supply due to the Wal-Mart fiasco was evident at that time. A well organized effort by the News to discuss the pros and cons would have been helpful at that time, but at this later date doesn't serve the village well.

... it might have been a good idea to spend money to update the old library and spend the bond money in more critical areas.

While this magnificent structure will be enjoyed by citizens of the entire county, very little financial relief comes from anywhere excepting the pocket-books of the citizens of Ruidoso.

So, it is up to us to find the funds to enable the library to maintain hours suitable to those who would enjoy what the library offers.

J. A. "Al" Junge
E. & O. E.
Ruidoso

A reminder to correspondents:

The editor reserves the right to edit letters for length and style. Generally, letters should be no longer than 300 words, or about one single-spaced typed page.

BY MORROW HALL
SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

Juan de Oñate's 1598 penetration into Nueva España del Norte — North New Spain — was almost half completed when he reached the Rio Grande near what is now El Paso. The unknown lands began south of what is now Chihuahua, and it was a 750-mile journey to the place the party finally settled.

Both legs of the journey were through lands sparsely populated and sparsely documented by previous explorers. Unassuming settlements of Pueblo Indians were found along the river; the vast spaces elsewhere were the occasional province of nomadic Indians or were profoundly uninhabited.

In February, 1598, the expedition passed its final inspection and began the journey north. On April 30, Governor Oñate claimed the Rio del Norte (later named the Rio Grande) and the territory it drained in an impressive ceremony, and the party moved into what is now New Mexico.

The main group of wagons traveled slowly when the terrain was uncooperative, and small advance parties often preceded it to search out the best route. As one of these parties moved north along the river, the impressive Organ Mountains could be seen to the east — but the scouts didn't notice. When they came back they couldn't believe they had missed the organ-pipe rocks of the range, so they called it Sierra del Olvido — "Mountains of Forgetfulness."

Oñate's wagons creaked across the Jornada del Muerto — the hot, dry "Dead Man's Trail" that parallels the river to the east from Hatch to Bosque del Apache. After that, there were pueblos on both sides of the river, at or near the places now named Socorro, Belen,

Symbolic amputation, 400 years later

Albuquerque and Bernalillo. The vanguard of the party stopped just north of present-day Española on July 11, and the wagon train caught up a few days later.

The place the settlers chose to occupy, San Gabriel del Yungue, deserves its own story. For Oñate, it seems to have served as a home base for further travels. Eventually he went as far west as the Gulf of California and as far east as Kansas, looking for gold and silver and proclaiming his authority.

The Keresan pueblo of Ácoma, southeast of Grants, gets my vote as New Mexico's most enchanting place. The name means "people of the white rock," and what a rock it is! It's over 350 feet tall and its setting is reminiscent of Arizona's Painted Desert. People have lived on its flat summit for over a thousand years.

Sheet mica (or isinglass) is found 14 miles from the pueblo, and the Indians used it to glaze their windows. It's theorized that the light brown adobe walls of the village, bathed in gold and glinting with mica at sunset, led to the legend of the "cities of gold."

Natural depressions in the rock served as reservoirs for rain water. There were plenty of loose rocks and boulders to roll down on foes below. There were several trails to the top, some well concealed, and residents

could usually get down to collect food at night even under siege.

Hernando de Alvarado of Coronado's expedition in 1540 was the first European to see Ácoma. He called it "a rock with a village on top, the strongest position in all the land."

Oñate sent 18 soldiers to Ácoma in December, 1598, under command of his nephew, Don Juan de Zaldivar. They climbed the rock at the invitation of the Indians, who then ambushed them. Zaldivar and 12 of his men were killed; the others escaped and took the news to the governor.

Zaldivar's brother, Vicente, was Oñate's sergeant major, and he led a punitive force of 70 to Ácoma. The siege took only three days; they burned the village, killed close to 700 Indians and captured about 500, mostly women and children.

A trial was held at Santo Domingo Pueblo in February at which Oñate decreed that all captured males over 25 years of age should have one foot cut off and be indentured as servants for 20 years. Younger males and most females were merely indentured; children under 12 were to be wards of the government.

Two Hopi Indians who were at Ácoma and helped its cause were sentenced to have their right arms amputated.

Former New Mexico state historian Myra Ellen Jenkins wrote that witnesses said there

were only a few mutilations, and most of the captives escaped. But Oñate's harsh revenge for his nephew's death, punctiliously documented as a matter of routine, would haunt him later.

Another punitive raid was made on the Jumano pueblo of Gran Quivira, south of present-day Mountainair, where the atrocities were again faithfully recorded.

Meanwhile, Oñate's colonists were failing miserably to maintain their accustomed standard of living — at times they almost starved. The settlement was in shambles.

Under pressure, Oñate resigned as governor and went back to Mexico in 1607, where after seven years of investigations he was found guilty of 12 offenses, many stemming from his treatment of the native people.

He was condemned, Jenkins wrote, "to perpetual exile from his New Mexico, banishment from Mexico City itself for four years, loss of his titles and a whopping fine."

The Ácomas also exacted punishment on Oñate — 400 years later. In Albuquerque, one foot on a bronze statue of the governor was cut off — but the perpetrators had to call the press before the symbolic act was noticed.

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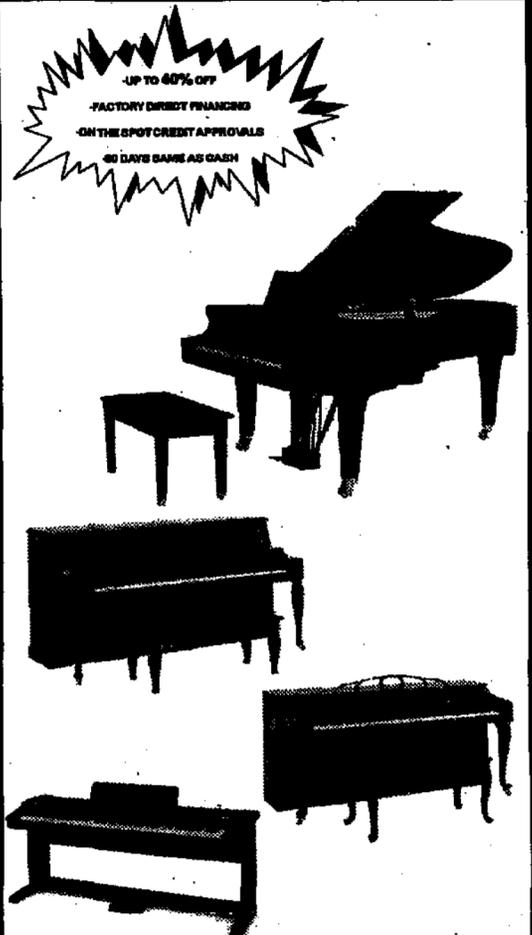
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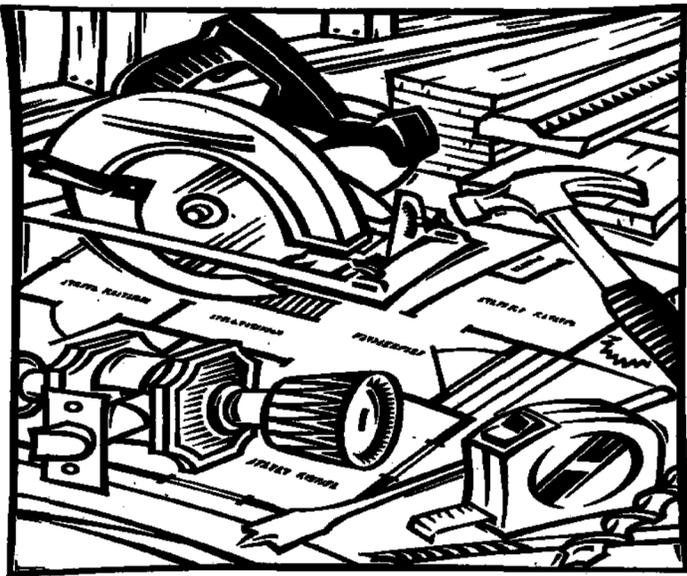
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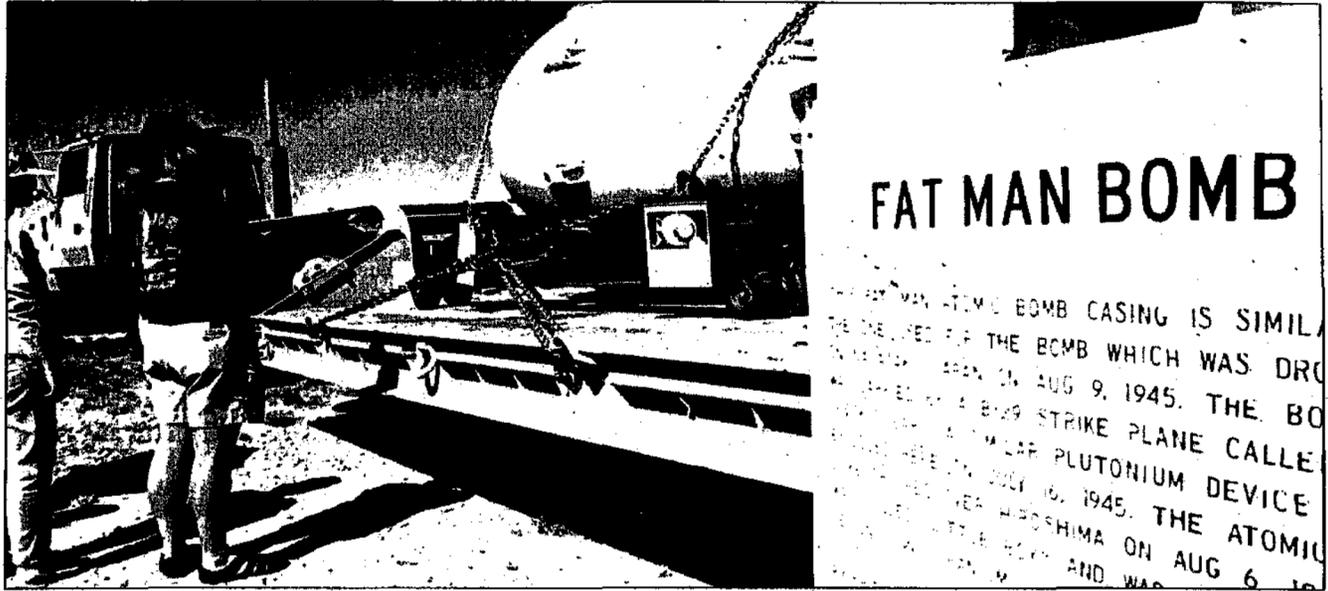
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By bus, they will be driven to the George McDonald ranch house where the plutonium core of the first atomic bomb was assembled in 1945 before it was tested on July 16.

Visitors may also tour the site by car, sponsored by the Alamogordo Chamber of Commerce that leaves the Otero County fairground at 8 a.m. The caravan will enter the missile range west of Tularosa and be escorted to and from Trinity Site by military police. The caravan will depart Trinity for the return to Alamogordo at 12:30 p.m.

Cameras are allowed only at the Trinity Site. Fill up gas tanks, because no fuel is available on the range.

For more information, contact the missile range public affairs office at (505) 678-1134.



The Fat Man Bomb display is located at Ground Zero in the compound that contains the Trinity Site. This display and other attractions can be seen on the Trinity Site tour that is held only two times a year.

Ruidoso village council to consider strengthening animal control laws

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The dog arrived at the shelter entrance dead and hanging out the back of a pickup at the end of a rope.

The animal was missing much of its skin and had been dragged for miles before the owners realized it either had fallen or jumped out of the pickup truck bed.

Unfortunately, that deadly result isn't unusual when dogs ride in pickups, says Jim Riggins, administrator of the Lincoln County Humane Society animal shelter.

"You see them standing on top of tool boxes or leaning way out the side of the pickup bed, or some even standing on top of the cab," Riggins said Thursday. "What most people don't see are the ones that are

thrown out when the driver comes to a sudden stop or swerves on a turn. What they don't see are the dogs that are hit by other cars after they land on the pavement. Or if they survive, they have broken limbs or internal injuries."

Riggins and Ruidoso Police Chief Lanny Maddox hope to end that miserable scenario for canines.

Maddox has asked the village council to consider revising animal control laws to require dogs to be restrained on private property and in pickup trucks.

A hearing on that issue is scheduled for the 6:30 p.m. meeting of the council Tuesday, April 28 at village hall on Kansas City Street. Maddox would like dogs to be on cables, chains or behind fences when on private prop-

erty to prevent an animal from suddenly running off his owner's lawn to attack a passerby or another animal. The issue is similar with trucks, he said.

"I'm concerned about citizens who walk close to a pickup and a dog is unrestrained," Maddox said. "Secondly, I'm concerned about the welfare of the animal. I've seen several in the past that have fallen or jumped out and harmed themselves.

"It's a controversial law, but it's a safety issue," Riggins agreed.

"Few animals survive a fall like that," he said. "And I hear so often that the animal had ridden that way for years before an incident. I knew one man whose dog rode in the back for 10 years that died from a fall."

Tying a rope around a dog's neck can end with the animal hanging itself by accident, he said.

The shelter on Gavilan Canyon Road sells a restraining device for \$30 that can be fastened to a collar or a harness and will keep the animal in the center back of the pickup bed.

"Better than that, if an owner wants to protect an animal and enjoy it, why not put the dog in the pickup cab," Riggins said. "That way, he or she is protected from the elements, from being stolen by someone, from most accidents, besides being close by so that the owner can enjoy the dog's companionship."

If a dog does ride in the back of a pickup under any conditions, Riggins said owners should put down a rug or cover of some sort to protect the canine's foot pads from red hot metal in the summer and frigid cold surfaces in the winter.

German Shepard kills Pomeranian

A Ruidoso resident's dog apparently went next door to a neighbor's yard and attacked and killed a puppy that was tied up there on March 22, police said.

Libby Corry of Main Road, the owner of the dog, said in a police report that she was in her back yard with her young German Shepard and her other dog, a Husky mix, and left the yard for a few minutes to go in the house to eat some food.

When she returned, she

noticed some blood around the Shepard's mouth and after investigating saw that a Pomeranian puppy, owned by Faye Fallis, had been killed next door.

Corry appeared upset, then requested that Animal Control pick up the dog and have it destroyed, police said.

Faye said in the report she had left the puppy outside on a leash when the German Shepard attacked it, killing it. She said she would not press charges if Corry will

replace the puppy. Corry agreed, police said. The report was turned over to Animal Control for further action.

Jim Riggins of the Humane Society of the Lincoln County said the village's animal ordinance states that an animal may not be on someone else's property.

The Humane Society is rewriting the ordinance, with the village council, to state that an animal must be physically held on its owner's property.

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Ruidoso woman gets a lesson in telephone 'slamming'

BY ELAINE HOBBS
RUIDOSO STAFF NEWS WRITER

When Ruidoso resident Diana Bush opened her long distance telephone bill recently, she expected to see a small total. Instead, she discovered it was twice as much as she expected and not even from the company she had signed up with.

Bush is a victim of what is known as "slamming." Her long distance service had been taken over by a different company without any notice to

inform her of the change.

Bush said she carefully checked her bills from Telco, the company she had chosen as her long distance carrier, for the first two years of service. Since she had never had a billing problem with them, she said she had quit being so vigilant for the last two years. She said she had purposely kept her long distance calls down the previous month to save money, and that was the main reason she really scanned the bill. When she found the bill had been sent

by a company called IXC, a name she had never heard of, she started checking her past bills.

The change of companies had happened four months earlier, in November. She said she found she had been charged almost \$100 more than she normally would have paid with her chosen carrier.

"What they do is they just steal it (the service)," she said.

Bush contacted GTE, her local service provider. She

said GTE was very helpful in contacting IXC and finally told Bush she would get a credit from IXC on her local carrier bill that would cover the amount she was overcharged.

Slamming is becoming a fairly common practice, said Kay Bird of the New Mexico Attorney General's Office, and it is illegal under both the federal and the state Unfair Trade Practices acts. The office has taken action against companies that do this, Bird said.

The procedure is usually to have the person whose service has been slammed fill out a complaint with the Attorney General's Office, and it is then given to the FCC to investigate. One company, called CTS, was prosecuted for using the practice on Vietnamese immigrants in Albuquerque; it was fined.

Bush has now returned to Telco as her long distance carrier. She said they told her they just thought she had chosen to go with another carrier.

"I would just tell people to read their phone bill. See who you're doing business with," said Bush. "If it can happen to a little elderly retired woman on Social Security in Ruidoso, it can happen to anyone."

The State Attorney General's Office advises people who believe they have been victims of this practice to call 800-678-1508 and ask for Consumer Protection. They can provide the proper form to file a complaint.

The Consumer Protection Division is responsible for protecting the public from fraudulent or unethical business practices.

The Consumer Protection Division is able to tell people if the New Mexico Attorney General's Office has received complaints about a business, the nature of the complaint and when the complaint was filed.

GTE sends out advise on slamming prevention

GTE's April phone bills may include a bit of advice for telephone customers - how to prevent slamming, the unauthorized changing of a user's long distance company.

"Because slamming is the number one telephone complaint to the Federal Communications Commission, it's important that our customers understand it and what they can do about it. We want to make sure our customers have the service - both local and long-distance - that they want," said Gray Mundell, General Manager-Customer Operations for GTE's Western Division.

Mundell said slamming is done in a variety of ways.

"In one case we handled, the customers thought they were signing up for a drawing. The fine print on the form authorized a change in long distance suppliers.

In other cases, people have answered telemarketing surveys only to find out that they unknowingly authorized a change," the GTE manager said.

"We encourage our cus-

tomers to check their bill every month to ensure that they have the long-distance company they've chosen. If they've been switched, the customer should call us. Our number is on the yellow border on the phone bill.

Mundell said another way for customers to check their long distance supplier is to call toll-free 1-700-555-4141. A recording will answer and identify the long distance supplier assigned to the customer.

"Customers also may contact us and request a form that authorize GTE to change long distance carriers only at the written request of the customers," Mundell said. "That gives them an additional measure of protection."

GTE encourages its customers to get a name and call-back number if they are solicited for long-distance or other telecommunication services.

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Managed care meeting set

The New Mexico Department of Health is sponsoring Salud! Medicaid Managed Care Information meeting, Monday, April 6 at 10 a.m. to noon at the Ruidoso Convention Center.

The topics covered will be: basic information on managed care, definitions, eligibility, exemptions, benefits, Native American issues, issues relating to people with special needs, grievance, and how to choose a plan.

The material takes about an hour and a half to cover. There also will be time for group discussion during the meeting.

The presenters will be Gay Finlayson from the Arc of New Mexico and Tunte Vigil of the All Indian Pueblo Council. Finlayson specializes in Salud! enrollment and advocacy with people with developmental disabilities. Vigil specializes in Native American issues regarding Medicaid Managed Care. Please share this information with others who might be interested. Registration is not necessary.

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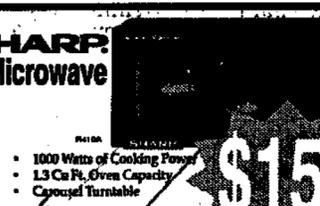
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Stable, guaranteed payments to counties for federal lands gets support

Predictable "in lieu" federal land payments get backing from the Clinton Administration.

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

If a proposal by the Clinton Administration becomes law, the amount of money the U.S. Forest Service pays to states annually will be stabilized and will provide a predictable level of funding for county roads and schools.

Payments to states under the "Twenty-five Percent Fund Act of 1908" have declined from more than \$361 million in 1989 to \$233 million in 1997, a 35-percent reduction, according to information from Jerry Hawkes of the Smokey Bear Ranger District of the Lincoln National Forest.

In 1997, Lincoln County was projected to receive \$17,000 from the service based on the previous year's payment, but by the end of the fiscal year June 30, the county

recorded only \$14,000, according to the county finance office. This year, the county anticipated a \$14,000 payment, but by the end of February already had banked \$19,376. A county spokesman said part of the extra money could be a delayed check from last year's payment.

The only factor that kept the overall national reduction in payment from being higher than 35 percent is a provision enacted in 1993 that established a guaranteed payment

to the states of California, Oregon and Washington for counties with national forests affected by decisions related to the northern spotted owl, Hawkes said.

The declining payment formula will expire in 2003.

The Clinton proposal would provide funding for county roads and schools and would equal 76 percent of an average of payments from 1986 to 1990, or the payment received for 1997, whichever is higher.

Payments to every recipi-

ent nationwide would be equal or greater than their 1997 amount. In total, the 1998 payments would be \$37 million higher than the 1997 payments. Over the next six years, the increase would be \$200 million more than the projected amount under the current formula, according to Forest Service figures.

The Service supports the proposal, Hawkes said.

Smoky Bear District officials gathered input on the proposal from the county and local

school districts, then forwarded their responses to the state office in Albuquerque last month.

The stabilization proposal, which is part of the Clinton budget proposal, would not affect special annual payments under separate authority to the states of Minnesota and Washington, nor the Payment in Lieu of Taxes program administered by the Bureau of Land Management.

Capitan's recreation unit formed

CAPITAN - A committee was formed Monday to recommend how Capitan should spend \$8,000 the village received for recreation from the Lincoln County Commission.

The Capitan Board of Trustees appointed a six-member committee to bring back recommendations for the board's meeting in May.

Members of the committee are Police Chief Carroll Durbin, baseball representative Angela Autrey, library representative Maxine Schrup, state Forestry

Division official Larry Bandy, Fair Association president Shorty Sanders and a representative from the school district, to be named later.

Trustees also selected Engineers Inc. of Socorro to do the engineering on the village's well and hydrant project financed by a \$268,000 Community Development Block Grant.

The trustees' next meeting has been changed from April 13 to 7 p.m., Wednesday, April 7, in village hall.

Rabies clinics Saturday throughout county

Veterinarians will offer rabies clinics Saturday at various locations about the county.

- Ruidoso Area:
- The Ruidoso Tennis Court Fire Station, located off of Sudderth Drive — 1-3 p.m.
 - The Ruidoso Downs Fire Station — 1-3 p.m.
 - The Capitan Fire Station — 1-3 p.m.
 - Lincoln Fire Station — 9-10 a.m.
 - Hondo Post Office — 10:30-11:30 a.m.
 - Carrizozo Fire Station — 2:30-3:30 p.m.
 - Corona Fire Station — 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
 - Alto Fire Station — 10 a.m.-noon.

The rabies vaccinations will be \$5 each. Other vaccinations will be offered at reduced fees. All pets should be on a leash or in a carrier.

Capitan gets a first review of its own Main Street project

BY ELAINE HOBBS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

CAPITAN - A presentation about the New Mexico Main Street Program of the New Mexico Economic Development Department was given at Lincoln County Mercantile on March 25.

Elmo Baca, the program director, said the program can help small communities through a revitalization plan and also help community members implement their plans. He was accompanied by staff member Jan Kindle.

Main Street America was created when the National Trust began to fight retail invasion of America's towns where it had a negative impact on local residents. It is funded by the New Mexico State Legislature through the general fund.

Baca said most communities want to revitalize for several reasons: They may be ashamed of the way their community looks or appears to visitors; they are interested in creating more wealth for the community; they are interested in increasing property values; they want to generate taxes; or all of the above.

He listed many of the towns which have used or are

currently using the program to implement their plans. Among them are Raton, Grants, Silver City, Gallup, Socorro, Las Vegas, Ruidoso and Roswell.

Not all of the towns that have worked with the Main Street program have been successful in carrying out their plans, but he said in an atmosphere of cooperation and careful planning, most communities have realized very positive results. Emphasis was placed on the fact that Main Street is not a quick fix and that it works best as a gradual process.

The first thing that needs to be done, he said, is for community members to form a board of directors and set up four committees to work on design, promotion, organization and economic restructuring. The board then establishes a plan and, at that point, the Main Street program staff can step in and help implement ideas with program associates who specialize in different fields.

Baca said a local manager carefully chosen from the community is needed to implement the projects, and he or she is paid a salary generated by the community. Main Street often helps the community find ways to generate these funds.

Main Street does not provide funding itself, but instead provides expertise through associates who are architects, urban designers, specialists in networking, landscape architects or special events planners.

In other words, Baca said, people who can train other people or provide tools to help with economic restructuring, help organizations obtain low interest loans or find grants for different projects and any of the other tasks facing communities willing to work on revitalization.

For example, Baca said that grant funding might be obtained to restore Capitan's train depot as a museum from a federal program that generated money through the state's highway department. He said money might also be available through a program that funds scenic byways, such as the Billy the Kid Scenic Byway.

He cited events that have been used for promotion and to generate civic pride in many towns such as a Christmas light parade, decorating the streets for Christmas, fiestas with international food booths on the main street, and hanging flower baskets in front of merchants' establishments to enhance the downtown dis-

trict. Sometimes very inexpensive projects can bring impressive results, Baca said.

Discussion was encouraged after the presentation, and one concern voiced was that of gentrification - what happened to Silver City, Santa Fe and Taos - and how it could be prevented from happening.

Baca acknowledged that it had been a problem in some revitalized towns but said that the best preventative was careful planning at the beginning.

"It is really up to you, the community members," Baca said.

Lists were circulated after the discussion by organizers Virginia Watson-Jones and Lionel Lippmann for attendees to volunteer their time on a future board of directors or one of the committees needed to start organizing a revitalization program. Music was provided by Patricia Brimberry on violin and Gary Meyer on keyboard, and refreshments were served.

Besides area residents, the meeting was attended by L. Ray Nunely, chairman of the Lincoln County Commission, and John Whitaker, a member of the Capitan board of trustees.

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 - Trails open: 55 of 55
 - Lifts open: 11 of 11
 - Road: Mostly clear
- Ski report phone number: 257-9001

Scoreboard

TUESDAY, MARCH 31

Baseball -
Ruidoso 6, Tularosa 5
Ruidoso 2 0 0 2 0 0 2.....6
Tularosa 0 0 0 0 2 1 2.....5
Leading hitters: A. Herrera, 3-4, 3B, HR, 2RS, 2 RBI; A. Kopacka, 2-4, 2B, 3B, 2 RBI.
Winning pitcher: Harley Davidson (1-1); 5 1/3 IP, 2H, 3R, 1ER, 5KOs, 6BB
Save: S. Martinez 1 2/3 IP, 1H, 2R, 0ER, 2 KO, 2 BB
Losing pitcher: Cody May
Tularosa 14, Ruidoso 10
Ruidoso 1 1 2 1 5 0 0.....10
Tularosa 2 2 3 2 3 2 X.....14
Leading hitters: A. Herrera, 3-4, 2B, RBI; J. Adams, 2-3; H. Davidson, 2-4, 2B, 3B, 2 RBI.
LP: Tristan Torres in relief 2/3 IP, 1H, 2R, 2ER, 2 BB, 1KO. Other RH5 pitchers J. Leadingham, 4 IP, 10R, 9H, 4BB, 2 KO; B. Davidson, 1 1/3, 2R, 2ER, 2 BB, 1 KO

On deck

TODAY
Softball - Ruidoso at Cobre Tournament, 9:30 a.m. vs. St. Plus X

SATURDAY
Little League Basketball - Ruidoso Little League Basketball championships at Ruidoso High School: 2 p.m. boys finals, McDonald's Magic vs. ReMax Lakers; 4 p.m. girls finals, Ruidoso Ford Sievers vs. Thriftway Jazz; 6 p.m. coed finals.
Track - Ruidoso at Las Cruces Invitational, 9 a.m.
Softball - Ruidoso at Cobre Tournament, TBA

MONDAY, APRIL 6
Adult softball meeting
Ruidoso adult softball meeting for team managers, at 6:30 p.m. in the village hall, 313 Cree Meadows Dr.

APRIL 9 AND 10
Coaches clinic
A coaches clinic for little league baseball and softball coaches will be at 6 p.m. Thursday and Friday night at the Village of Ruidoso Parks and Recreation office. For more information, call Marcus at parks and rec office at 257-5030.

APRIL 13
All Indian basketball tournament
The 23rd Annual Native American AISES Basketball Tournament will be hosted by the American Indian Program and American Indian Society and Engineering Society May 1-3 at the NMSU Activity Center in Las Cruces. Format will be 10 men's and six women's all-Indian double elimination tournament. Entry fee is \$130 with a \$65 non-refundable deposit due April 13. Awards given to both divisions. For more information, call (505) 646-4207.

APRIL 21
Adult slo-pitch softball league
Men's and women's adult softball teams can begin signing up for the Ruidoso Parks and Recreation summer league season.
Cost to enter a team is \$375 and is due by 5 p.m. April 21. The season begins Monday, April 27 for the women's league and Tuesday, April 28 for the men's league.
Format for the league is triple round robin with a post-season tournament. For more information, call Parks and Recreation at 257-5030.

MAY 5
Becoming an Outdoors Woman
A three-day workshop for women interested in learning more about hunting, fishing and basic survival skills will be offered May 15-17 at the NRA Whittington Center in Raton. Becoming an Outdoors Woman is sponsored by the New Mexico Game and Fish Department. Cost is \$170 if registered prior to May 5, or \$190 after that date. The fee includes instruction, program materials, use of equipment, and all meals and lodging. For more information, call (505) 382-6968.

Fishing report

Ruidoso River flows are excellent. Flow to chamber is clear, but from chamber down, muddy because of water release at Lake Mescalero. Fishing is sporadic, but highly productive at the right times. Wide variety of nymphs and a few dries.
Bonito Lake opened Wednesday. Fishing has been sporadic but productive when good. Try some small midge-type flies in the day and varied nymphs throughout the day.
Bonito River flows are excellent, and expect this stream to be sporadic also. Baetis and caddis larva are strong suggestions.
Grindstone Reservoir lake is filling nicely. Fishing is improving. Lots of evening risers.
Hurd Ranch flows are great. Fishing is sporadic also. Streamers are a good choice.
Lake Mescalero is virtually full. Bank fishing only. Midges and adams' and varied nymphs are best bets.
Closed waters include: Eagle Lakes, Silver Lake and Upper Canyon on the reservation. "Runoff should last at least 90 days. These flows generally produce the best fishing of the year. Go fish!"
Mike Hyman of Ruidoso River Assoc.

Rogers resigns from girls hoops job

BY LAURA CLYMER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Ruidoso athletic director Les Carter is searching for a girls basketball coach.

Three-year coach Dwayne Rogers resigned from the girls varsity coaching position a couple of weeks ago, Carter confirmed Tuesday.

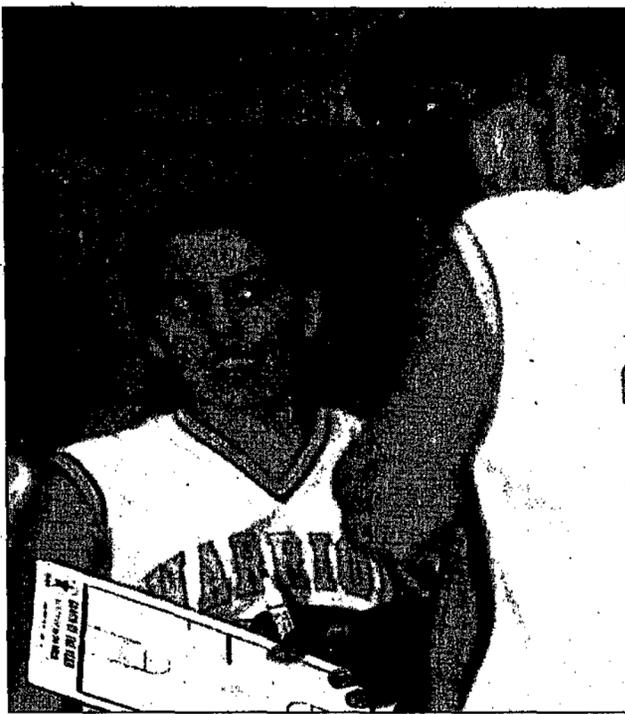
Rogers said Thursday that he's seeking employment in the Charlotte, N.C. area.

"We visited this summer and we loved it," Rogers said of his family's vacation to the area. "If not, I'd love to be in Ruidoso for the three years."

Carter said he will direct his search for a replacement within the school district initially. The position has been announced through central office, Carter said.

"If we have the people in the district then we need stay within it, and I think we have people who are qualified," said Carter, who wants to fill the position as soon as possible.

"We want stability - people who are kid-oriented and who can take the program and go with," Carter added.



Coach Dwayne Rogers said the girls basketball program needs "new energy."

"I think Dwayne's attitude was to try to make the kids do the right things and to teach the kids the fundamentals, and I think he did a good job at that," Carter said.

In 1995, Rogers took over the ailing Ruidoso girls basketball program, which had endured several coaching changes prior to his arrival.

He posted a 12-55 overall record in three years, includ-

ing back-to-back third-place finishes in the District 3AAA regular season.

"I feel like I've taken it as far as I can," Rogers said of the girls program. "It needs someone with new energy."

Rogers said a challenge facing the new coach will be developing a year-round program for girls basketball players because that's what the other district schools do.

PREP BASEBALL

Warriors welcome defending state champs

BY LAURA CLYMER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Tempting as it might be, the Ruidoso baseball team can't overlook its Tuesday opponent.

The Warriors, who are 3-6 overall, face a Silver baseball team that returns just one position player from last year's District 3AAA championship squad.

It's the district opener for the Warriors and their first home game as well - a 3 p.m. Tuesday contest at the White Mountain Recreation Complex.

The Colts won't have the dominating pitching staff it had last year, either. Silver's most veteran hurlers are two pitchers who saw limited action on the mound last year.

Despite all the evidence to the contrary, Warrior coach Rodney Webb expects a fight from the Colts.

"They still are the defending state champs and play baseball well over there," Webb countered.

Ruidoso enters the game having

won two of its last three contests. The Warriors rebounded from a poor performance at the Eunice Tournament to split doubleheaders with Socorro and Tularosa.

Additionally, the scheduled doubleheader between Cobre and Ruidoso on Saturday was pushed back to May 5, giving the Warriors' young and inexperienced pitching staff another day of rest before the Colts stampede into town Tuesday.

Senior shortstop Scott Sebastian, who missed this past Tuesday's Tularosa doubleheader, should return to the lineup for the Silver game, Webb said.

Sebastian was backed up admirably by eighth-grader Chad Swanner, who held his own in Tulie. But the senior Warrior's return to the starting lineup will be important for the district game.

Game time Tuesday is 3 p.m.

Ruidoso shares double dip

Ruidoso's sporadic pitching corps came through in the first of two

games for the Warriors in Tularosa.

Freshman Harley Davidson, who was roughed up repeatedly at the Eunice Tournament, threw a no hitter through 4 2/3 innings to lead the Warriors to a 6-5 win in the first game. He battled evenly with Tularosa's top pitcher, Cody May.

Davidson's control was much improved, said Webb, who had considered cutting short the freshman's career as a varsity pitcher.

Adrian Herrera and Aaron Kopacka led the Warriors offensively. Each had driven in two runs, with Herrera belting a home run.

Leading 6-5 in the seventh inning, junior Scotty Martinez picked up the save when he struck out a Wildcat batter with runners on second and third.

In the second game, the Wildcats scored every inning to earn the split.

"I think after we beat May we had kind of let down," Webb said. "We kind of booted the ball around, committing four errors in one inning."

SPRING TRAINING '98: CAPITAN GIRLS TRACK

Tiger thinclads must rely on work ethic

BY LAURA CLYMER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Capitan girls track coach Bryan Massé will readily admit his 1998 team isn't blessed with a bevy of speed burners. But the Tigers do have a quality that's can be just as rare - a work ethic.

That's what Capitan will have to rely on if its going to make a run at district and state laurels.

"The main thing is we're going to try to be competitive in the events we can be competitive in," Massé said. "We don't have any superior sprinters that can load up and outrun anybody, so we're going to have to out-condition people."

The Tigers are blessed with a bunch of quarter-milers. Hence, Massé will focus his coaching efforts on the team's 1600-meter relay and 1600-meter medley relay teams.

"We don't have a whole lot of speed as far as sprinters go," Massé said, "We do have some pretty decent quarter-milers."

At its last meet, the Tigers' 1600-meter relay was within seconds off the state qualifying mark of 4:35.2.

Capitan's most versatile runner is freshman Jessica Castaneda, who can run anything from the 200-meter dash to the 3200-meter run. She's also the fastest Tiger from the 200 on up.

Injuries and the usual

Date	Opponent	Site
March 24	Rose Relays	Tularosa
March 28	Alfalfa Relays	Hagerman
April 9	Roadrunner	Hagerman
April 17	Tatum Relays	Tatum
April 21	Tiger Relays	Capitan
April 24	Slade Relays	Tularosa
May 2	District 6AA meet	Tularosa
May 8-9	State Meet	Albuquerque

inclement Lincoln County spring weather have slowed the Tigers' progress thus far.

Seniors Michelle Wilson and Monica Johnson are nursing injuries, as well as classmate Stephanie Midgeley, who has a strained leg muscle.

"We're just kind of fighting through it right now," Massé said.

The Tigers are shorthanded in the field events where they lost depth to graduation last year, as well as the hurdles.

"We're going out there with the attitude that we're going to get better, we're going to have some fun, and we're going to gradually run ourselves into shape," Massé said.

Tiger Track upperclassmen
Seniors: Monica Johnson, relays and long jump; Michelle Wilson, relays; Courtney May, shot and disc; Stacey Gunkel, shot, disc, mile and two-mile runs; Stephanie Midgeley, long jump and relays.
Juniors: Jessica Hathcock, 400, 800, mile runs; Erin & Krin Autrey, relays, long jump, high jump, triple jump

Local senior games set to begin April 15

The 1998 edition of Lincoln County Senior Olympics begins Wednesday, April 15, with the billiards competition at the Ruidoso Downs Senior Center.

Thirteen major events are scheduled over a six-week period. Top finishers at the local games qualify for the New Mexico State Senior Olympics, scheduled for Aug. 5-9 at the University of New Mexico.

To participate, competitors must be at least 50 years of age as of Aug. 5. A \$5 registration fee entitles the individual to participate in all events offered.

For more information, call Bart Young at 257-3193, Virginia Danielson at 354-2652, Henry Ernest at 257-9219, or Barbara Ward, 648-2997.

- Local senior olympics schedule for April**
- Billiards (eight-ball pool), 1 p.m., April 15, at Ruidoso Downs Senior Center
 - Shuffleboard, 1 p.m., April 16, R. Downs Sr. Center
 - Table Tennis, 1 p.m., April 16, R. Downs Sr. Center
 - Golf, 1 p.m., April 25, The Links at Sierra Blanca
 - Singles Bowling, 1 p.m., April 29, at Ruidoso Bowling Center (RBC)
 - Doubles Bowling, 1 p.m., April 30, at Ruidoso Bowling Center

Tackle tactics for fishing trout

BY MIKE HYMAN
RUIDOSO NEWS OUTDOORS CORRESPONDENT

Here's a more in-depth look at how to tie the most productive spinning and fly fishing rigs for the local waters.

For spinning rods I prefer a six- to eight-foot light action rod with an open-face spinning reel and a four- to eight-pound test. For lure fishing, a swivel or snap swivel is mandatory. Some lures are worse than others and tend to wind up your line during the retrieve, so using a snap swivel tends to prolong line life and simplify the act of changing lures. Swivels are simple to attach using the clinch knot.

Bottom rigs, like the Carolina rig, work well in the lakes for bait fishing. Carolina rigs are fairly easy to master. They consist of three clinch knots and a hollow conical sinker, a separate 18- to 24-inch piece of monofilament line and a hook in the 12 to 16 size range.

Start with the end of your line, pass it through the small end of the hollow conical sinker and attach the snap swivel with a clinch knot. Then attach one end of the extra piece of monofilament line to the snap end of the swivel with another clinch knot. Attach the hook with a clinch knot and you are in business.

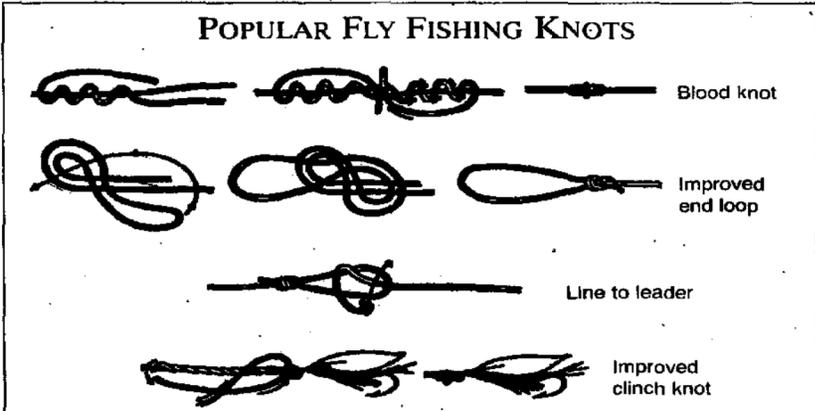
Bubble rigs consist of one clear two-

inch plastic bubble, two swivels and two separate pieces of line - one 10 inches long and one four feet long. Incidentally, all the knots in this rig are clinch knots. Starting with the line from your reel, attach one swivel here, depress the center post in the bubble, submerge and fill half way with water. Reinsert the center post and pass the 10-inch piece of monofilament through the bubble and attach it to the line swivel.

It's important to have the larger end of the bubble's center post facing the reel end of the line. If this step is not followed correctly the weight of the bubble will depress the post and empty the bubble's water during the first cast. Attach the second swivel to the end of the short monofilament line, leaving the bubble six inches or so to slide back and forth. Attach the four-foot section of monofilament to the second swivel and attach your choice of spinners, flies or bait, and you're ready to catch fish.

The bubble rig is the most versatile rig for the lakes in the area. You can vary the water in the bubble and cast farther, or fill it completely for a slow sink with bait for those days the fish are suspended half way down.

Here are some guide lines for fly fishing rods and rigs in the area: For the lakes, I prefer an eight to nine foot, light action rod with a two to six weight



line, followed with a nine foot 6X tapered leader.

Or you can try a woven or braided butt section with the following guideline:

- 12 inches of 5X attached the to the butt section with a loop to loop knot, and;
- 12 inches of 6X (attached to the 5X) with a double surgeon's knot. Then, attach the fly of your choice with a clinch knot.

Now for the streams - I prefer a 5- 1/2 to 7 foot light action rod in the two to five weight range, with a 7-1/2 foot tapered 6X monofilament leader or a braided or woven butt section and 18

inches of 6X for dries or nymphs. Some fly fisher-people prefer to nymph fish. They use a number 8 to 10 split shot and a strike indicator, consisting of some colored yarn or poly-pro attached at the junction of the fly line and leader. The split shot is 12 to 16 inches up from the fly. The woven or braided butt section consists of 10 to 18 inches of 6X monofilament and a weighted nymph, using the manufactured butt section as a strike indicator.

With any rig you choose, take your time and be patient. It's the first time. It will help avoid the pitfalls of tying them again and again.

Scouters recognized for achievements



R.J. Ludwick receives his God and Country award. Pictured here, from left, are: Ludwick's stepmother, Nora Ludwick, Father John Penn, R.J. Ludwick, and Ron Ludwick.

Jerry Longbotham

Jerry Longbotham, an energy consultant of Ruidoso, was presented the Silver Beaver Award from the Conquistador Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

This award recognizes distinguished service to youth and is the highest honor that Boy Scouts bestows. Nominations for this award must be submitted to and approved by the BSA National Court of Honor. Since 1931, only 198 recipients have been honored with this award.

Longbotham has been involved with scouting since 1972 serving as a member of Parents for Scouting, Webelos leader and Scoutmaster. His expertise in outdoor skills, education, canoeing, archery,

forestry, electricity and other areas, has provided educational and advancement opportunities to rural areas that would otherwise have been unavailable.

In addition to his scouting activities, Longbotham has served on the Zia Girl Scout Council Board of Directors and executive board for Camp Mary White and he has held memberships in such organizations as the Capitan Music Boosters, Adobe Whitewater Club and life member of United Bowhunters of New Mexico. He also is president of the Ruidoso Utilities Council and a MFA/CPR and Firefighters Training School instructor.

Currently Longbotham is focusing his efforts on raising \$2,000 by May 1, to benefit the Leukemia Society of America

and riding in honor of Kayla Ann Coronado in his first "Santa Fe Century" - a 100-mile bicycle ride.

R.J. Ludwick

R.J. Ludwick, a member of the Episcopal Church in Lincoln County, recently received his Cub Scout God and Country award at Church of the Holy Mount in Ruidoso.

Ludwick, who is a member of Pack 95, Den 6, accomplished several projects prior to receiving the award, including Bible study, visiting the elderly at the Care Center, taking a friend to church and studying forgiveness. Ludwick is 11 years old and is a fifth grader at White Mountain Intermediate School.

'Zozo School Library continues activities

The Carrizozo School Library reports many successful activities and programs that have taken place this semester and more that are on the way.

In January, February and March, students participated in "Author's Birthday Parties," in which students who had read at least two books written by authors born in that month received an invitation to a birthday party. At the party, students were presented with bookmarks and badges and served cake and punch.

Then the students discussed their favorite books and participated in a drawing for free books.

The library sponsored a book fair in February and March, which library officials say was "highly successful." Because of the tremendous community support, the library will now be able to purchase new equipment, collect a substantial number of free books, and order more than \$280 in instructional material. Library representative want to thank all who participated and assisted with the book fair.

On March 23, a "Mystery Box" appeared in the library. All week students guessed what was in the box. On March 27, the box was opened and a variety of teeth and jaws from eight different animals were inspected by students. Twenty-one students had guessed correctly at least part of what was in the box and collected prizes for their detective work.

A scholastic Network trial membership through April 30 is currently in place at Carrizozo schools. This is a kindergarten through eighth-grade Internet subscription service. It provides an interactive curriculum correlated to national standards and personal connections with famous people. Through this service, teachers and students can log on to the site and visit a variety of pre-selected and approved Internet locations. Students and teachers may access this web site at school or at home, if they have Internet service.

Carrizozo Schools will soon be getting a new automated library circulation system. The new software will allow the library to enter all books on computer and use the bar code/scanner check-out method. The library hopes to have all books entered and ready for check-out by the beginning of the 1998-99 school year.

Plans for remodeling the library have begun and will soon be finalized. The library was awarded Critical Capital Outlay monies to fund the project. The remodeling will include new lighting, carpeting, circulation area, and computer stations. Other monies will be used to add new furniture and equipment.

Anyone interested in helping organize a "Friends of the Library" organization, please contact Rosemary Shafer at 648-2346. The Carrizozo School Library welcomes students as well as community members.

New info resource for amputees

In an effort to address the needs of more than 500,000 Americans who have lost limbs, the Amputee Coalition of America has established the National Limb Loss Information Center in Knoxville, Tenn.

The center is a one-of-a-kind resource that provides much needed educational and

rehabilitation information and support services to persons facing or who have experienced the loss of a limb.

Callers to the Center may request the following types of information from trained specialists:

- answers to questions regarding care options
- referrals to health care providers and rehabilitation professionals
- reference materials describing prosthetic technology

• direction to local peer visitation training programs

The NLLIC is supported through a public-private partnership between the Amputee Coalition of America (ACA) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in Atlanta.

For more information, or to receive a free copy of the ACA's national publication "In Motion," contact the Amputee Coalition toll-free at 888-267-5669.

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Local investment adviser recognized

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According to a recent press release, the council position is awarded by Putnam Investment, one of the nation's oldest and largest investment management companies with more than 60 years of experience in equity and fixed-income mutual fund investing and a 30-year track record managing institutional assets.

University director named to committee

Jim Miller, director of Eastern New Mexico University-Ruidoso, has been named to the New Mexico Small Business Advisory Committee.

The committee meets twice a year to advise the state's directors of small business centers about issues that affect small businesses.



Miller

Miller was appointed to the committee in December, he said. As the trainer of small business owners, Miller offers a different perspective to the committee, which is otherwise composed of owners, themselves, he said.

Disaster loans available to some businesses

Businesses depending on farmers and ranchers in six counties, including Lincoln, may now apply for low-interest Economic Injury Disaster Loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA).

The loans are to help businesses meet normal operating expenses that cannot be met because of a disaster.

Excessive rainfall last spring and summer caused many farmers and ranchers to experience reduced incomes which may have had an adverse economic effect on dependent businesses. Farmers and ranchers are not eligible for this loan program.

To obtain an application or to receive additional information, interested business owners may call the SBA at (800) 368-6903 or (817) 267-4688 for the hearing impaired.

The deadline for filing an application is Sept. 9, 1998.

The loans may be used to help businesses meet installments on long-term debt, accounts payable and overhead expenses that would have been met had the disaster not occurred. Refinancing of long-term debt, however, is not eligible under this program.

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It's a circuits act at a new repair business in Ruidoso

• Rick Rushing knows his electronics. He actually grew up in a television repair shop.

BY TONI K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Ruidoso has given Rick Rushing's new business a nice reception.

In return, he's offering the same.

Rushing is the owner of Rick's TV Repair.

"I do consumer electronic repairs — TVs, VCRs, stereos, cam-

corders, microwaves ..." Rushing said Wednesday while seated inside his shop at 1302 Sudderth Drive.

It's a line of work that Rushing, in his mid-30s, has been doing since he was a boy.

"I was weaned in a TV shop. My dad had a shop since the '40s," Rushing said. "My uncles have a couple of shops ...

my brother has a shop ..."

Electrical equipment and its technology has changed through the years, and Rushing keeps up by attending factory schools, sponsored by equipment manufacturers.

Since he opened his shop in mid-October, his business has gradually increased. Now, his clientele has increased to the point where he's almost too busy to do service calls, Rushing said.

A successful television repair shop, Rushing said, is one whose reputation for honesty and good service has to be spread by word-of-mouth. That's one of the most challenging hurdles of new shops in the business — establishing public trust.

Rushing is now over that hurdle. "I have gotten lots of customers," he said. "It's really been picking up lately."

About a dozen televisions

are in the shop, many waiting to be picked up. Rushing is in the process of working on two television sets — not including a large projection-style set across the room. The set is ready, but Rushing has it on so that he can occasionally go over and "tweak" the picture's reception.

"You can't really see the picture on those close-up," he said.

Televisions aren't his only specialty. A transfer from Pensacola, Fla., Rushing spent an entire year working on just camcorder repair alone.

He and his wife, a medical transcriptionist, moved to Ruidoso after one too many Florida hurricanes. Neither had ever been to Ruidoso before they packed the U-Haul, Rushing said. But an associate of his wife's was a Ruidoso native, and the woman never stopped talking about the Ruidoso area and how much she missed the temperate climate and beautiful scenery, Rushing said.



Toni K. Laxson/Ruidoso News

Rick Rushing checks out the circuits on a television set.

Ironically, Rushing himself is not much of a television viewer himself, he said. "I've got one going all the time, but as far as watching ... maybe Jeopardy or Seinfeld."

The shop is open weekdays from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m., except for Wednesday afternoons when he makes service calls. On Saturday, the shop is open from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Business resource center slated for Ruidoso this year

BY TONI K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Eighteen months in the planning, a Small Business Resource Center in Ruidoso is getting closer to actuality.

"We have several buildings in mind," said Gene Simmons, director of the Small Business Development Center in Roswell. "We don't have any specifically chosen. We do have a lot of private support, including banks in the area."

Funded primarily with federal money, the center differs slightly from the development center Simmons operates, he said.

"The resource center is going to be very similar to a library, only it will emphasize business," he said. "So, if they want to find out how to go into government contracting, we would have the information. If they need to enhance their marketing in other areas, we will be able to help them."

The goal is to give small business owners the information they need to make educated choices."

The center, which will serve all of Lincoln County, has been in the works for 18 months, said Jim Miller, director of the Eastern New Mexico

University-Ruidoso instruction center.

"Gene has been working here for the SBDC in the two-county areas since 1992," Miller said. "The volume of his clients and their needs has grown to the point where he is stretched pretty thin. So we have to do something to provide some relief."

Small businesses and home-based businesses are booming in the Ruidoso area, Miller said. That's demonstrated the number of calls to the Roswell center.

No cost for the facility and its operation has been put to paper, yet, Simmons said.

Once the center is in place, the goal is to set up a revolving loan fund program that will support small businesses with what is called "gap financing," Simmons said.

"Gap financing is to help enhance the equity position of some businesses," he said. "Often you find businesses that are viable, but a little weak on the equity side. The revolving loan is to support that, and to let some businesses stay in business."

Roy Miller, state director of the Small Business Development Centers' network, said he recently met with aides to U.S. Sen. Pete Domenici in Wash-

ington on the issue of gap financing for small businesses.

"We are going to brainstorm additional legislation or avenues to support the loan fund," Miller said. "There's real interest at the national level for establishing lending enterprises, especially for gap financing."

Miller was in town last week to attend the network's quarterly meeting at the Best Western Swiss Chalet.

The difference between the resource center and the existing development center in Roswell is primarily that financial counseling is offered at the latter, Simmons said.

"Within the Business Resource Center, we are going to offer counseling through the Small Business Development Center," he added.

"The resource center is designed to provide information and education to clients or potential business owners.

Federal funding of the project comes in at 70 percent. The remainder is local money or in-kind support, such as the potential donation of a building.

The size and scope of the small business resource center depends on the funds received and the interest in the community, he said.

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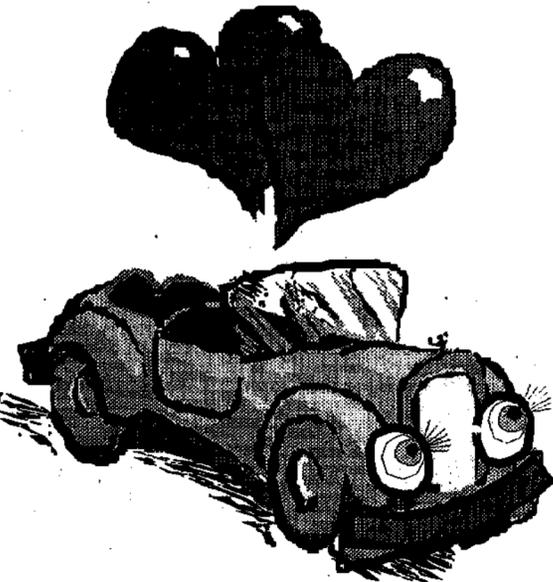
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About the interior: approximately 3,900 luxurious square feet of living area includes a master suite, with a large walk-in closet. The master bath includes his and her separate vanities, jacuzzi tub, glassed-in shower, and separate water closet room. The jacuzzi deck, vanity tops and shower are all finished in travertine marble. Featured in this floor plan are three additional bedrooms, 2.5 additional bathrooms, study/music room, large utility room with sink and built-in ironing board, family room with fireplace, living room with fireplace, breakfast nook, formal dining room and kitchen. The kitchen includes a smooth-surface electric cook top, double oven (convection/thermal), trash compactor, dishwasher, disposal and built-in microwave. A large walk-in pantry is flanked by birch cabinets with tile counter tops and with a work island in the middle of this well-arranged kitchen. The two gas fireplaces are custom designed to each be one-of-a-kind. Ten-foot-high ceilings are accented with graceful ellipsed arches in the entry, formal dining room and living room. The floor finishes are ceramic tile, saxony plush carpet and hardwood floors. Accent lighting is achieved with recessed lighting both inside and out. The closets and pantry are customized European "Classy Closets". A security system will add peace of mind to ownership of this home.

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LEGAL NOTICE The Planning and Zoning Commission of the Village of Ruidoso will hold a regular meeting on April 21, 1998 at Village Hall, 815 Cree Meadows Drive. The meeting will begin at 2:00 P.M. The purpose of the meeting will be to consider Case #PV98-014 a Variance request for the following described property:

LEGAL NOTICE Lot 5, Block 4, Forest Heights, Sd. Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico. By order of the PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION. /s/ Cleo R. Richards Planning Administrator 1488 47(4)3, 15

LEGAL NOTICE The Eastern New Mexico University Board of Regents will meet Friday, April 10, 1998 at 9:30 a.m. in the Regents Room of the Administration Building on the Portales campus. Regents will act upon business so presented and may meet in executive session. Agendas for the meeting are available at the Information Center of the University Relations Office located in the ENMU-Portales Campus Administration Building. The public is invited to attend the regular meeting. Eastern New Mexico University is an EEO/AA Institution. 1488 17(4)3

LEGAL NOTICE

RESOLUTION #7-23 WHEREAS, the Village of Capitan has the authority pursuant to Section 3-15-5 NMSA (1986 Rep Form) to protect its citizens from unsafe or dilapidated properties including those premises covered with rubble, rubbish, wreckage or debris; and WHEREAS, the Village of Capitan, have been advised of the existence of such conditions on the property described as M. Capitan Unit 8, Lot 23 being more commonly known as 694 M. Capitan Road; and WHEREAS, the Village of Capitan further finds it necessary for the protection of its citizens to have the rubbish, wreckage and debris removed. NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Capitan acting by and through its duly elected Trustees does hereby make the following findings: A. The property located in M. Capitan Unit 8, Block 11, Lot 23 (694 M. Capitan Road) as referenced above is found to be located in a substandard damaged and dilapidated condition. B. As such, the property constitutes a menace to the public comfort, health, peace and safety. C. A copy of this resolution will be sent by certified mail to the owner of record of the property at P.O. Box 173 Albuquerque, New Mexico. D. Within ten days of the receipt of a copy of the resolution or of the posting and publishing of a copy of the resolution, the owner or agent in charge of the building, structure or premise shall commence removing the rubbish, wreckage and debris, or file a written objection with the municipal clerk asking for a hearing before the governing body of the municipality. E. If a written objection is filed, the governing body shall: 1. fix a date for a hearing on it resolution; 2. consider all evidence for and against the removal resolution at the hearing; and 3. determine if its resolution should be enforced or rescinded. F. Any person aggrieved by the determination of the governing body may appeal to the district court by: 1. giving notice of appeal to the governing body within five (5) days after the determination made by the governing body; and 2. filing a petition in the district court within twenty (20) days after the determination made by the governing body. The district court shall hear the matter de novo and enter judgment in accordance with its findings. G. If the owner, occupant or agent in charge of the building, structure, or premise fails to commence removing the building, structure, rubble, rubbish, wreckage or debris: 1. within ten (10) days of being served a copy of the resolution or of the posting and publishing of the resolution; 2. within five days of the determination by the governing body that the resolution is to be enforced; or 3. after the district court enters judgment sustaining the determination of the governing body, the municipality may remove the rubbish, wreckage, or debris at the cost and expense of the owner. The reasonable cost of the removal shall constitute a lien against the parcel of land from which it was removed. The lien may be foreclosed in the manner provided in Section 3-36-1 through 3-36-3 NMSA 1976. H. The municipality may pay for the cost of removal of any condemned building, structure, wreckage, rubbish or debris by granting to the person removing such materials, the legal title to all salvaged materials in lieu of all other compensation. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Capitan, State of New Mexico, have adopted this resolution this 6th day of December, 1997.

/s/ Deborah Cummings, Clerk-Treasurer, GMC /s/ Norm Renfro, Mayor 1484 17(4)3

LEGAL NOTICE 12th Judicial District Court County of Lincoln State of New Mexico IN RE: The Petition for Name Change of BOBBI JEAN HARRIGER CAUMO No. CV 98-09 NOTICE TAKE NOTICE that in accordance with the provisions of Sections 40-8-1 through 40-8-3 N.M.S.A. 1976 BOBBI JEAN HARRIGER CAUMO will apply to the Honorable Kazun I. Persch, District Judge of the Twelfth Judicial District at the Lincoln County Judicial District Courthouse at Carrizozo, New Mexico, at 8:30 o'clock a.m., on the 30th day of April, 1998, during a regular term of the Court, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard for an Order for a change of name from BOBBI JEAN HARRIGER CAUMO TO BOBBI ELIS FERDUSON. /s/ Alice Blaca Baxter District Court Clerk /s/ Elizabeth Curren 1488 47(4)3, 10, 15

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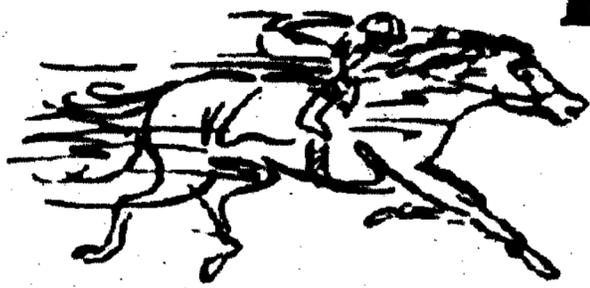
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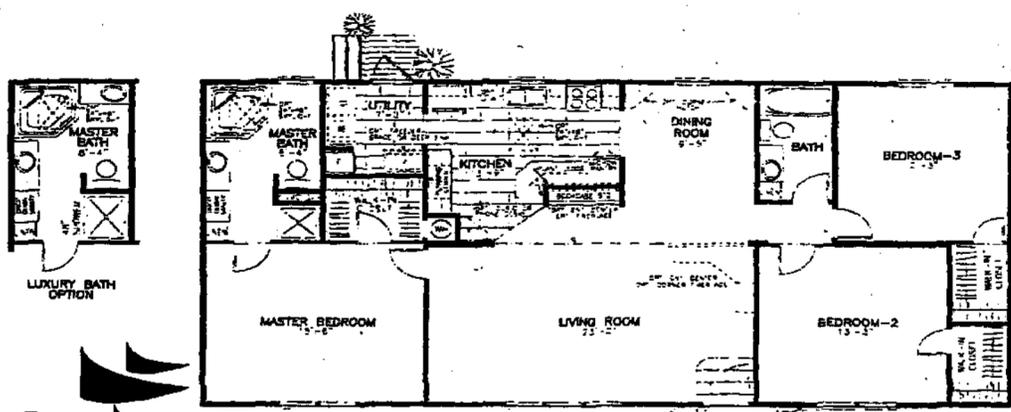
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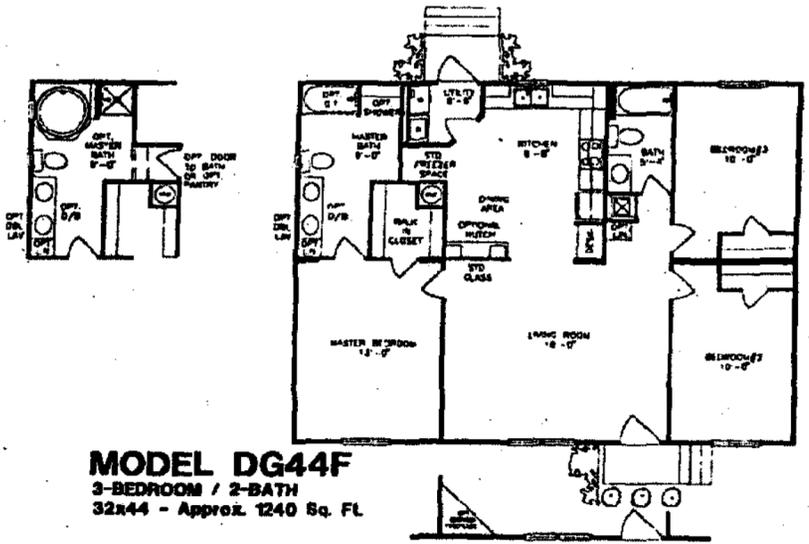
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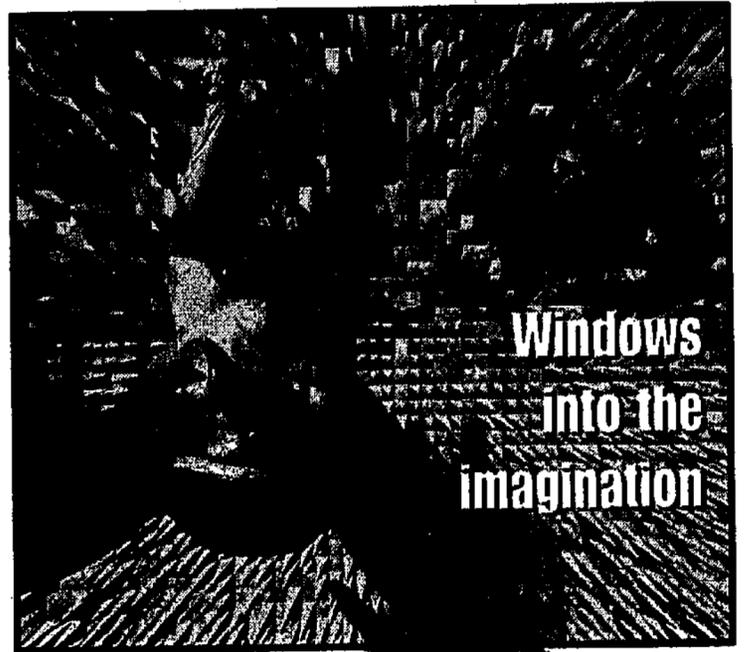
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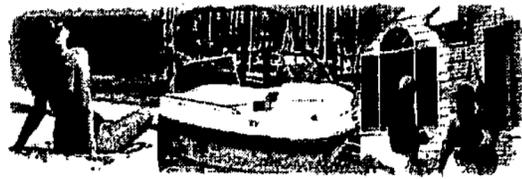


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Carizozo artist Polly Chavez's Spanish Colonial New Mexican Retablos continues. Admission fee included in the \$5 daily pass which can be purchased at the Court House or the Lincoln County Heritage Trust at either end of town. Hours: 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. every day.

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Red Rose Art Studio

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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.

Spring Canyon Gallery

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EYE ON THE ARTS

The Roswell Fine Arts League accepted three of Alto artist Sharon Adamy's paintings for its 1998 exhibition. Sharon exhibited three paintings in the 1997 exhibition, of which two won awards including First Place Pastel. The work will be displayed at the Roswell Museum and Arts Center, 807 N. Missouri from May 21 through 25... An earthenware clay tray by Capitan artists Karen Pritchett and Todd Shelby was selected for the Bayou City Art Festival in Houston last weekend.

The juried festival featured painting, sculpture, jewelry, pottery, glassware, furniture, photography and wood, fiber and leather works by 300 artists from around the country... Gallery Fifteen of Clovis presents the works of Hondo Valley artist Paula White beginning Sunday running through April 30. White paints with oils, acrylic and watercolors creating landscapes and still lifes. Raised in Lovington, White learned porcelain painting from her mother, Marie White Neely.



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Ruidoso actor back in front of camera

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Ruidoso's resident professional actor, Delana Michaels, is back in Hollywood this week for the filming of "Divorce Chili," a film by Rod McCall.

Michaels, daughter of Old Mill store owner Carmon Phillips, grew up in Ruidoso and has amassed an impressive list of television appearances, as well as producing her own documentary on Lincoln County's early history that premiered at the Taos Film Festival last year.

When Michaels isn't acting, she spends her time with husband Mike Clements, a local physician The two met in school, married 26 years ago, moved to California where they both established careers over the next 20 years, before deciding to return to New Mexico.

In this new movie, Michaels plays "the Beverly Hills mother from hell," Clements said.

McCall's last two movies, "Paper Hearts" (renamed Cheatin' Hearts) and "Lewis and Clark and George" both premiered at the Sundance Film Festival in Utah with actors such as James Brolin and Kris Kristofferson.

This latest film is centered on a young couple who throw a party and video tape their friends' responses to their decision to divorce.

While not acting, Michaels has been busy with the production stage of her latest film, "Street of Dreams," about the 1940s Big Band Era. It will focus on Bob Grabeau, who made more than 20 demo recordings in the 1940s and still sings with big bands.

"She loves the music and he was her vocal coach," Clements said. "He's one of the few voices still out there from that time period."

The film already has been shot, but Michaels is trying to round-up financial support. The production required acquisition of music and archival rights.

Moving to New Mexico didn't mean her interest in acting and producing diminished. She's continued to add to her credits that include a co-starring role in "Checkpoint" a film by Parvis Sayyad, a supporting roles in "Picket Fences," "Roseanne," "Murder, She Wrote," and "The Burning Bed," and a co-starring role in "Fantasy Island." Two of her nine theater appearances were in "Plaza Suite," and "Star Spangled Girl."

"She still needs to be in Hollywood," Clements said. "This is the first time this year she's been back, but generally, she commutes every month or two to the coast."

Michaels plays the French horn and piano, sings and dances. Her dialects include southern, Brooklynese, cockney, Irish, French and Russian. Her training includes the Lee Strasberg Theater Institute.



Delana Michaels

SPOTLIGHT: Community theater group meets

Community actors from across the state will take center stage in Ruidoso for the 1998 Theater New Mexico Conference, starting today and continuing through Sunday at the Enchantment Inn.

Registration for the three-day conference is from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. today.

This year's conference will focus on workshops. In alternate years, the conference features a production competition, won last year by the Ruidoso Little Theater's presentation of "Throckmorton, Texas."

Three workshops will be offered Saturday afternoon. Larry Parker, the head of Albuquerque Community Theater, will present "Community Theater Management." Jimmy Vaughn will offer "Getting Involved in Community Theater," and Stephen Slaughter of Louisiana will direct a workshop titled, "Acting, the Other Element; An

Explanation of the Four-Step Process."

For more information, call Lynn Price at 257-4991.

New Mexico Theater Conference Schedule

- Friday
 - 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. - Registration
 - 6 p.m. - Welcome mixer
 - Saturday
 - 10 a.m. - Spencer Theater tour
 - Noon - Lunch
 - 1 p.m. - Workshop, "Getting Involved in Community Theater"
 - 2:15 p.m. - Workshop "Acting, the Other Element..."
 - 4:30 p.m. - Workshop "Community Theater Management"
 - 6 p.m. - Dinner (on your own)
 - 7 p.m. - "Imago" at Spencer Theater
 - 9 p.m. - Social
 - Sunday April 5
 - 9 a.m. - Breakfast and Business Meeting, Enchantment Inn
- Cost per person for all events is \$25.

Tooting His Own Horn

BY ELAINE HOBBS
RUIDOSO NEWS VAMOS STAFF WRITER

For Wes Jones, making music has been a way of enjoying life through his youth, a world war and continues during retirement.

After more than 50 years since he first came to Ruidoso to play his trumpet, Jones is still playing when he has the chance. Since retiring, he has called Ruidoso home, but he and his trumpet have traveled all over together.

He was born in San Angelo, Texas, and grew up mostly in Slaton and Lubbock. As a young teen-ager in the early 1940s, he established himself as a musician and played with many of the working dance bands in Lubbock while attending Texas Tech.

In the summer of 1942, Jones came with a group of Lubbock musicians to Ruidoso to play nightly for dancers at the Navajo Lodge. Their pay was \$5 a week, meals in the lodge and lodging in a cabin directly across the street.

He traveled all over Texas with the Waco-based Joe Busse Orchestra, playing one-night stands and riding long distances between engagements in a "sleeper bus." For a young teen-ager, he says, this was a unique experience.

Playing more summer seasons in Ruidoso was about the most interesting thing to do at the time, but then World War II began and he joined the U.S. Navy. Jones became a flier of torpedo bombers, which later carried over to his civilian life when he became a private pilot. He still found some time while in the service to play with several Navy dance bands during his hitch.

After being discharged from the service in 1946, more music jobs came along at the Melody Club in San Angelo, the La Vista

Club in Clovis and at the Aviatrix Club in Amarillo playing with the Carlton Scales Orchestra.

Summer season music continued in Ruidoso in 1946 with Texas Tech's orchestra leader Ned Bradley at Ruidoso's Davis Bar, now a part of the Winner's Circle, lots of one-night performances and a trip to Las Vegas to play

Late in 1949, Jones moved his family to Artesia. There, he began selling cars and playing with the Bill Walton Orchestra of Carlsbad, an association which lasted 20 years. While living in Artesia and Roswell, he and the Walton Orchestra played a circuit that, Jones says, "included every country club, fraternal organization, private dance club, all of the area's military facilities and a lot of hotel ballrooms and gymnasiums in between."

During the mid-1970s Jones came back to Ruidoso, playing with the late Ray Reed, Tag Lambert and Charles Brown, a popular jazz pianist and organist from Albuquerque. They played at the Chaparral Hotel, Win, Place and Show, Noisy Water Lodge and many other places.

The early 1970s found him in southern California where he played with local and area pickup bands, and when he moved on to Albuquerque, he again teamed up with Charles Brown to play in local piano bars and cocktail lounges.

Business created a hiatus in his musical pursuits during the 1980s, until his retirement in 1988, when he says he had "a completely dead lip for playing the trumpet - a situation which was almost like starting all over again."

In recent years through many hours of practice, he says he has reached a normal level of playing again and plays as often as possible with local musician friends "who understand the meaning of music being a hobby, not a career."

Naturally, his trumpet sits ready - just inside the door of his den.



Wes Jones, 1948

in the Hi Life Club, a small casino just off the strip.

Jones had some more luck that summer in Ruidoso when he met his future wife, Nancy, while she was on vacation attending one of the night clubs where he was playing. They were married the next year.

He returned to college at Texas Tech and played with various bands until forming his own band which played primarily in Lubbock at the Lubbock Supper Club, a popular night spot.

A ski slope slides down and so does Spalding

Spalding Gray's Slippery Slope, is, in part, a metaphor for almost anyone's life, in one incarnation or another. Gray is depressing, brilliant, hypochondriacal, funny, obsessive, poetic, dark, colorful, completely self-absorbed, and a master of painting pictures with words.

IN REVIEW



Joel B. Carothers
Ruidoso News

Themes ran through his performance Friday evening at the Spencer Theater. Themes of death, skiing, sex, his unwillingness to reach in and cross that painful threshold in life called investment in the here and now and in the lives that we touch and touch us. He is obsessed with his past. Every story he told was about his past. The future eludes him, even metaphorically, except, of course, as a person who will die.

Perhaps it is because his mother committed suicide at the age of 52. Perhaps it is because he spent nearly his whole life only able to turn left while skiing. Perhaps it is his demand for sex as his reward for a performance well done. Perhaps it is because of his father's death three days after the birth of his own son. Perhaps it is because the answers to the questions he asks are too large for him to absorb or understand or so simple that he misses them.

Whatever it is there is something that causes him to keep asking. Whatever it is, he is clearly afraid of death, even though he embraces its mystery and inevitability constantly in his performance.

I also find it difficult to peer so intimately into someone's life, soul, or existence and Gray makes us do that. I savored the moments of relief when I got to laugh at his humorous perspectives. But because Spalding Gray is so very clever with words—almost hypnotic—we are forced to live some not-so-pleasant parts of his life with him.

That made me uncomfortable. I was made especially uncomfortable when he told us he couldn't even look at his son until the child was eight months old. I don't

want to hang all of him on that statement but to be so self-absorbed as to deny one's own blood is a stretch for me.

Despite his brilliance I felt a dislike of him. In an environment such as a monologue, especially an autobiographical one, I wanted to truly like the performer. I wanted to like those stories that were told because they were also about me.

Spalding Gray is not the kind of man I would want to hug or be hugged by because of the ugly truths he touched in himself. Standing here, on the sidelines, was and is as close to the man as I would ever want to get. I want to say the things I have said here and to thank him for giving me things to think about, but his kind of darkness is too negative in a world already burdened by negativity.

Sounding like a contradiction I must say that aside from this darkness, he truly is a funny man. He told "knee-slappers" and the skiers in the audience knew, to their own depths, some of the tales he told about learning and mastering various conditions on the slopes. At the age of 52 Gray finally learned to turn right on his skis which brings him to the present day.

The Slippery Slope title is appropriate for much of Gray's performance because a ski slope takes one on a journey over a vast terrain and just like life, is full of lessons, bumps, even bruises, and great joy. But a ski slope in Gray's monologue starts at the top and ends at the bottom, it's downhill all the way, at least emotionally.

Again, to put my observations in perspective; Gray is very good at what he does. He has moments of brilliance and his life has given enough fodder for him to fire his canon for years, I respect his willingness to put himself out there and perhaps he would not even be an actor had he not had some of the "stuff" thrown at him that life throws.

But he reminds me too much of Woody Allen who is totally self-absorbed and stopped growing in any way, in 1968. Like Allen, Gray puts out all the bad things that have happened to him, dissects them, even smoothes out the sharp painful edges with humor but is always in despair, always without hope.

New writer's group to meet April 13 at Aspen Tree Bookstore

A new writer's group will meet at 7 p.m., Monday, April 13 at the Aspen Tree Bookstore.

Doringa Reum, owner of the Aspen Tree, and Lyn Kidder, local writer, invite writers of fiction, non-fiction and poetry to share their "works in progress" as well as their writing problems and successes.

Although the group's focus will be determined by

the group itself, Reum and Kidder hope that participants will read portions of their current writing projects. Members could also share information about upcoming writing contests and conferences.

"People should not be intimidated about sharing their work," Reum said. "We're all in this creative process together."

Do something cool with the kids this weekend!



Thank you
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for sending
25 Ruidoso
honor
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this show!

7PM
Friday
April 3rd &
Saturday
April 4th

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Tickets \$20 adults, \$8 kids at the Spencer Box Office Mon-Fri 9-5 (no service charge). Call 336-4800 for information. Fax orders 336-0055 (\$3 per transaction service charge). Charge by phone with ProTix: (800) 905-3315 (\$3 per ticket service charge), or at both Ruidoso Furr's locations (\$2.50 per ticket service charge).



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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: Inn of the Mountain Gods,
Carrizo Canyon Road,
Mescalero

Hours: 7 a.m. - 10 p.m. Sun.-Thurs.,
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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.



K Bob's Steak House

Steaks, seafood, prime rib and the best salad wagon 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

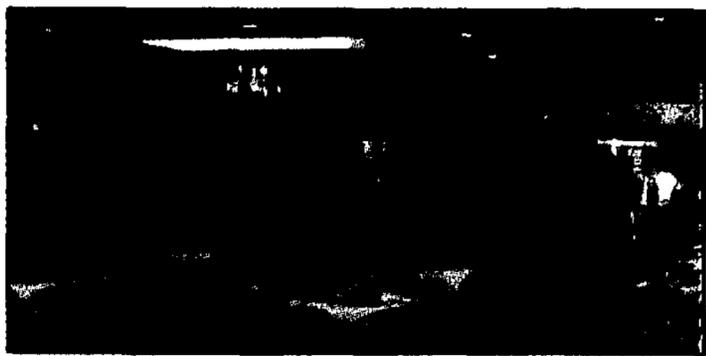
Fine dining in a casual atmosphere is what you'll find at Cafe Mescalero. Serving traditional Mexican food with a Southwestern flare, the Cafe has "edible art" by chef Anthony Carpenter for lunch and dinner.

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. Tue.-Sat,
Dinner 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tue.-Fri.,
5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Sat.
Closed Sunday and Monday



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: Breakfast: Mon. - Sat. 7-11 a.m.
Sun. 7-10 a.m.

Brunch: 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

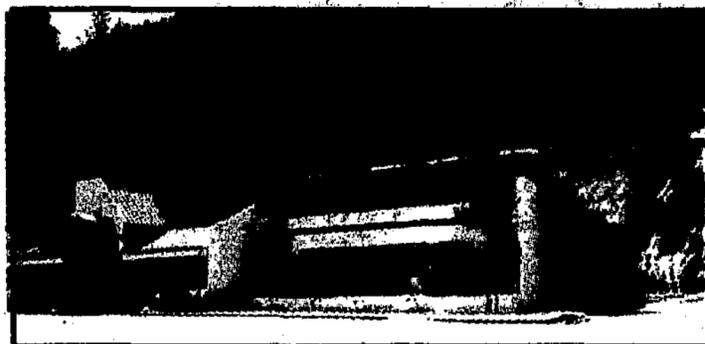
Lunch: Mon. - Sat. 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Dinner: Mon. - Sun. 6-10 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.

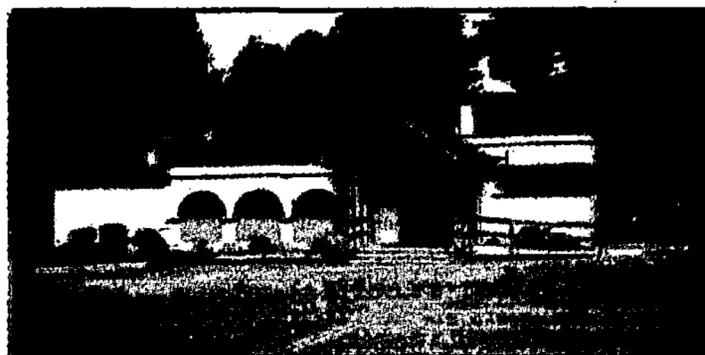
Price Range: \$-\$\$
 Phone: 258-5676
 Address: 1200 Mechem Dr., Ruidoso
 Hours: The restaurant opens at
 11:30 a.m. seven days
 a week.



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 Monday & Tuesday.



Top of the Inn Deli & Pizza Parlor

Fresh baked pizzas, large deli sandwiches, soups, ice cream and bakery goods. 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: Inn of the Mountain
 Gods, Carrizo Canyon Road,
 Mescalero
 Hours: 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Tue.-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.

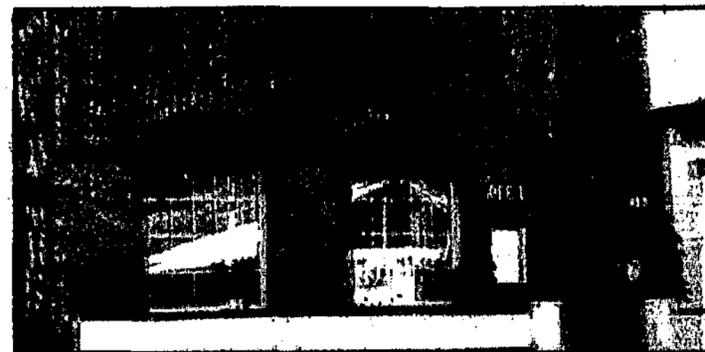
Price Range: \$-\$\$
 Phone: 257-5753
 Address: 2703 Sudderth Dr. - Midtown
 Hours: Open 11:00 a.m.
 Will be closed Saturday April 11
 and will re-open Tuesday May 5.



La Lorraine

La Lorraine specializes in French and gourmet dining. Known for their pepper steak and creme brulee, they're bound to make your mouth water. Also featuring veal, lamb and seafood. 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 2:00 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 = \$\$\$

GOING OUT



LEAPING LIZARDS!

Mime, mask and movement transform an ordinary world of simple creatures and shapes into a realm of strange and wonderful today and Saturday, when the Spencer Theater presents IMAGO Theatre Mask Ensemble. Masters of visual illusion, as well as expressive dancers and acrobats, IMAGO's performers give personality to critters like frogs and worms, and even to abstract objects like orbs.

Imago's unusual images and creatures show shades of humanity in the world of the fantastic: a larval insect performs impossible acrobatic feats; a human shadow bursts into flames; a sphere transforms from an eggplant into a boulder into a circus performer. This creates in the viewer a sense of wonder, reminding us all of our common link with animals, objects and phenomena of our universe. Like futuristic magicians, Imago playfully distorts the scientific laws of our world and creates illusions that tickle the funny bone in our sense of "what we think to be true."

The Straits Times of Singapore calls Imago "amazingly evocative... with their masks, costumes and superbly subtle limbs... we wander willingly into their wild, weird, and whimsical world... The curious thing about the visual tricks of Imago is that although your brain can see how they are done your eyes think otherwise."

Imago presents "Frogs, Lizards, Orbs and Slinkys" at 7 p.m. today and Saturday. This production made Imago world-famous, appearing on television specials, on stages in almost every city and town in Oregon, through all fifty states and on three continents. Imago's presentation will

surprise kids from 3 to 103. Arms are really legs, up is down and back is front.

Entertaining since 1978, co-founders and directors Carol Triffle and Jerry Mouawad draw upon their training in the Jacque LeCoq method to create characters that are both fantastic and touchingly human.

"Comedy, especially physical comedy is reawakening," said Mouawad. "It reawakens our bodies to a giggly, uplifting sensation. A physical connection between performer and the audience can be delightful and life altering. Seeing the finest of physical and clown theater has changed my own life."

In addition to being adept in theatrical movement, Triffle and Mouawad are also talented in the plastic arts. Using any and all materials, the pair create masks that defy definition, incorporating not only the face but the body as well. Addition use of music and multimedia



effects combine for a truly unique theatrical experience.

Ticket information

Tickets are still available for both evenings at \$8 for children and \$20 for adults. Call the Spencer Box Office for more at 336-4800.

music

Capitan Medicine Show
Every Wednesday from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., Doctor Gary Meyer will preside over an evening of music, song and performance.

Tejano Night
Every Thursday from 8 p.m. to midnight at Screaming Eagle Lounge in the Enchantment Inn.

Elkhorn Philharmonic
Gary Meyer and a group of musicians take center stage at the Elkhorn Pub every Wednesday evening and at the Lincoln County Mercantile in Capitan at 1 p.m. Sundays.

Blues At The Texas House
Live entertainment Fridays and Saturdays, open from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 24 hours Friday and Saturday and until 10 p.m. Sundays.

movies

Sierra Cinema
"Titanic" has finally set sail, leaving its Ruidoso port for other waters. Opening today are "Lost in Space" and "Primary Colors." For more information call 257-9444.

Lost in Space
Rated PG
Show times: 12:30 p.m.*, 3 p.m., 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.*
Plot: Danger, Will Robinson! Lost in Space is the first science-fiction adventure about a family's ill-fated intergalactic voyage aboard a sabotaged spaceship. Starring Gary Oldman, William Hurt, Matt LeBlanc, Mimi Rogers and Heather Graham. Inspired by the TV series, Lost in Space remains faithful to the original characters while incorporating a contemporary storyline.

Primary Colors
Rated R
Show times: 12:15 p.m.*, 3:30 p.m., 6:30 p.m. and 9:15 p.m.*
Plot: Told from the point-of-view of a young, black idealist campaign manager who is in search of someone to believe in, "Primary Colors" hits the road with the soon-to-be Prez - a road littered with tight scheduled, sex scandals, cover-ups and a sea of human oddity. Sound familiar? John Travolta stars as the illustrious President with Emma Thompson as the First Lady and Billy Bob Thornton as the self-described "redneck" political strategist.

The Newton Boys
Rated PG-13
Show times: 12:45 p.m.*, 3:15 p.m., 6:45 p.m., and 9:05 p.m.*
Plot: Matthew McConaughey and Ethan Hawke star as bank robbing brothers from Texas. The Newton boys became the most successful bank robbers in history from 1919 to 1923, ripping off 80 banks and six trains from Texas to Canada.

THE SKINNY

WHAT:
Klaus Ammann
WHERE:
Flickinger Center, Alamogordo
WHEN:
3 p.m. Sunday
COST:
A \$1 donation is requested

German big band to perform in Alamogordo

The Alamogordo Centennial Committee is sponsoring the German Big Band "Klaus Ammann" for a 3 p.m. Sunday concert at the Flickinger Center for Performing Arts, 1110 New York Ave.

A donation of \$1 per ticket will benefit Alamogordo's Centennial Committee. Tickets can be picked up in advance at the Flickinger Center, the Squash Blossom at 822 N. White Sands Blvd, Alamogordo Chamber of Commerce at 1310 N.

White Sands Blvd., or the German Public Affairs Office at HAFB.

The flamboyant sounds of the 18-member "Klaus Ammann" will take you back to sounds of yesterday. The band has been together for more than 20 years and is well known in Germany. It's been the backup band for many German pop singers and a house band for the German theater in Munich.

The band tours in Germany, the United States and much of Europe. "Klaus Ammann" has composed

and performed sound tracks for many German movies as well. Three vocalists will perform songs from the era. Two members of the German Air Force, presently residing in Alamogordo and playing with a local band, "Catch 22," are instrumental in bringing this big band sound to Alamogordo. Take the opportunity to enjoy the music of the 30s and 40s. For more information call 437-2202.

BRIDGETACTICS

CLUBBED INTO SUBMISSION

West dealer.
East-West vulnerable.

NORTH

- ♠ K986
- ♥ 863
- ♦ J2
- ♣ Q754

WEST

- ♠ J2
- ♥ A 1042
- ♦ KQ 1073
- ♣ 103

EAST

- ♠ 104
- ♥ QJ96
- ♦ 8654
- ♣ K98

SOUTH

- ♠ AQ763
- ♥ K7
- ♦ A9
- ♣ AJ62

The bidding:

West	North	East	South
Pass	Pass	Pass	1♠
Pass	2♠	Pass	4♠

Opening lead — king of diamonds

The most successful declarers are those who constantly seek ways to improve on their chances. This holds true no matter how good or bad the final contract may be.

Take this case where South starts out as a slight favorite to make four spades. If East has the heart ace or the singleton or doubleton king of clubs, ten tricks are a virtual certainty.

When the deal occurred, South won the king of diamonds with the ace, cashed the A-K of trumps and then exited with the diamond jack to West's queen. This forced West to return a club or a heart, both apparently beneficial to declarer's cause.

However, after West returned the ten

of clubs to South's jack, declarer found he had not materially improved his position. He tried playing the ace and another club, but East won with the king and returned a heart to set the contract one trick.

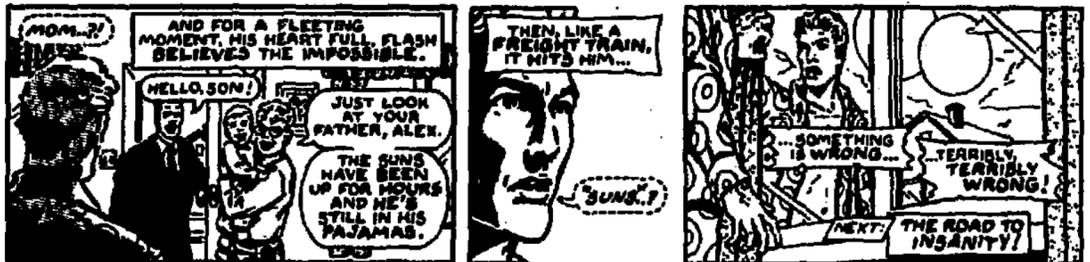
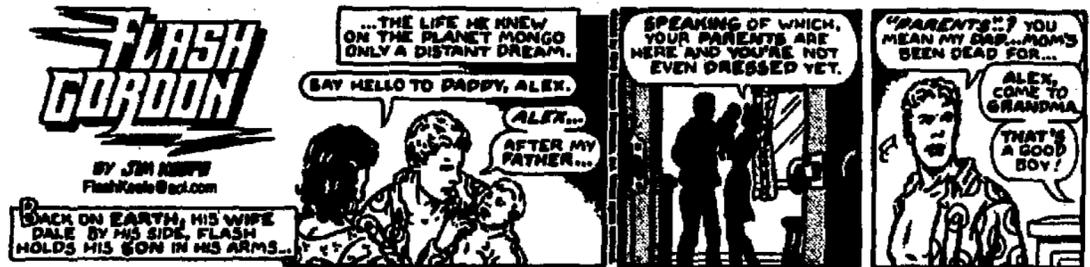
Declarer was a bit unlucky to fail on this line of play, but he should have done better. When he led a diamond at trick four, he already knew that West had started with the K-Q of diamonds and Jack of spades; West therefore could not hold both the ace of hearts and king of clubs, since he had passed originally. Consequently, at least one of these two cards had to be in East's hand.

To cater to the primary threat to his contract — that East had the club king and West the heart ace — South should have led a club to the jack at trick four. If the finesse lost, East would become marked with the ace of hearts.

In the actual case, though, the club finesse wins. Declarer then cashes the ace before exiting with a diamond. West wins with the queen, but must then either concede a heart to South's king or lead a diamond, allowing South to ruff in dummy while discarding a heart from his hand.

The recommended approach may seem just a slight improvement on the actual line of play, but attention to such small details is what makes all the difference between superior and merely adequate declarer play.

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IN THE STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Be sure to follow through on family commitments. Don't allow bickering over small matters to spoil your week. Family members are undecided about who does what, so be prepared to delegate responsibilities accordingly.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) A few cross words with a partner could temporarily upset you, but overall, this is a good week for conveying ideas and enjoying leisure activities. For the most part, those around you are cooperative and in a good mood. Key in on them for peace of mind.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Make plans for some future travel and also for fun and exciting times. There may be one monetary dispute on your mind, but rest assured that all is well. A friend surprises you with an interesting suggestion this weekend.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Leisure activities and romance are highlighted, but a pushy friend could irritate you. Work developments bring an improvement in your income. However, don't let a pessimist's gloom and doom prophecies drag your buoyant mood down.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22) Although it's not a good week for signing papers, you are in agreement with partners and clients about important issues. This sets a harmonious tone for the entire week. Socializing is a plus this weekend.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) The emphasis is definitely on saving rather than spending. Look for possible investments that will make your money work

for you. Investigate innovative options and opportunities, since it's a good week to be adventurous.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Speaking up is preferable to moodiness and keeping things in. Powerful connections prove helpful to you in business. The weekend accents togetherness with friends and family.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) You certainly should stay away from gambling. Also, try not to overspend. Indications are that a heart-to-heart talk will benefit both you and a loved one regarding a mutual concern.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) A family member is quite moody this week. Make sure everyone at home has the chance to participate in a project. Doing so will insure that no one feels left out or ignored.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) Dealing with a co-worker's sensitivities can be quite trying. Once you detach yourself from this situation, you'll begin to make progress. This person's feelings are being blown out of proportion.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) You're the one who's so concerned about reputation, so be careful not to jeopardize it with foolish or indiscreet behavior. However, should you slip, don't be too hard on yourself. Learn from your mistakes instead.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to March 20) Dieters who have been too lax with themselves could go on a big-time binge. Adopt moderation, if possible. Get sufficient, deserved rest over the weekend.

VIDEORAMA

Showtime Video's new releases for March and April.

- March 31
- The Little Mermaid
- U-Turn
- Slappy and Stinkers
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- April 14

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- Rocket Man
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- Body Count
- Mrs. Brown
- Behind Enemy Lines
- April 28
- Alien Resurrection
- Anastasia

- Heaven's Burning
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A short but violent life

He lived to be a little older than 20 years, but in that 20 years he developed a reputation that most men need a lifetime of dis-solution to attain. He is virtually unknown today – except to historians – but in his own time, he was as infamous as other, more noted out-laws, such as John Wesley Hardin and Bill Miner.

In his time, he was known to most people as Cherokee Bill. As to his personality, well ... let's just say you wouldn't want your sister to date him. A paragon of virtue he was not.

Cherokee Bill's real name was Crawford Goldsby, and he was born in 1876 at Fort Concho, Texas. He was part white, part black, part Mexican, and of course, part Cherokee. Somewhere along the line he acquired the name Cherokee Bill because, simply put, the name Crawford Goldsby is a name that most people would give to an accountant, not a desperado.

PAST
TENSE



Drew Gember
From
Hanging Judge
Parker

Goldshy's criminal career didn't really get off the ground until he was 18, but when it got started, it started with a vengeance.

In 1894, at Fort Gibson, in Oklahoma (formerly known as the Indian Nations) Goldsby ran afoul of a local man named Jake Lewis. When a fist fight erupted between the two, it seemed to onlookers as though it would just be an entertaining little match of fisticuffs. Which is exactly what it was until Goldsby, hereafter known as Cherokee Bill, began to get the worst of it.

A poor loser

Being a good loser was not in Cherokee Bill's makeup. Consequently, he evened the odds in his own favor by pulling a pistol and shooting Lewis with it. As Lewis slumped to the ground, Cherokee Bill realized the full extent of his naughtiness. Knowing full well what would happen to him if Lewis died – the local citizenry would undoubtedly have gone out of their way to see him "jerked to Jesus" – Bill decided to seek his fortune elsewhere, in a big hurry.

As it turned out, Jake Lewis *didn't die*, but by the time the extent of Lewis' injuries was ascertained, Cherokee Bill was long gone.

Joining forces with two other miscreants who also were in desperate need of some sort of moral code, Cherokee Bill hit the outlaw trail full time. His two partners in crime were the Cook brothers, Bill and Jim, and from that day onward, their destinies were inexorably linked to Cherokee Bill's.

The Cook brothers had started their

criminal careers somewhat in advance of Cherokee Bill's, and with the shooting of Jake Lewis, Bill found that he had an instant posse on his trail. The Cooks, you see, had been rather busy giving a whole new meaning to the word "larceny." If it wasn't tied down, they took it.

Lawmen became rapidly and intensely interested in chatting, at length, with all three.

The forces of law and order became even more interested in June of 1894. During that month a posse stumbled across the three desperados, and, as it turned out, things didn't go too well for the minions of the law.

The first death

At a place called Fourteen Mile Creek near Tahlequah, Oklahoma, the good guys and the bad guys met, quite by accident. By all accounts, virtually everyone concerned would've rather the situation hadn't come up. But come up it did, and the result sealed the fate of Cherokee Bill – he killed his first man that day.

When the surprised lawmen confronted the equally surprised outlaws, the only one they really recognized was Jim Cook, who they knew was wanted for theft. Of course, it didn't take a rocket scientist to know that Cook's two compadres were probably not runaways from a seminary. Therefore, when one of the lawmen began to announce to Jim that he was under arrest, it wasn't a real big surprise when Cherokee Bill, along with both of the Cooks, went for their guns.

Everyone began shooting at once, horses began to bolt in fear, and dust and gun-smoke obscured virtually all of the combatants from each other. When the gun-smoke cleared, Cherokee Bill and both of the Cooks had galloped off.

Lawman Sequoyah Houston lay dead in the dust, and his fellow lawmen decided that it was Cherokee Bill who fired the fatal shot. It was not to be his last killing.

They say that even the worst of us have a few good points.

Whoa.

As soon as I wrote that line the names of Ted Bundy and Jeffrey Dahmer came to mind. OK, so let me re-phrase that; Back in the 19th century, *most* of the so-called "badmen" had a good point or two.

There. That's better.

Cherokee Bill's "saving grace" was that he truly loved his family. Now, for most of us that can say we truly love our families, the word "murder" is not usually the first word that follows that phrase. In Cherokee Bill's case, however, it applies.



Cherokee Bill started his criminal career at the age of 18 – with a vengeance.

Brotherly love

Bill had a sister named Maude, and some time before her brother hit the outlaw trail, she married a "gentleman" named George Brown. George was one of those low-lives who are, unfortunately, still prevalent today. He beat Maude regularly, and while she tried to keep this fact from her lethal brother, her efforts were less than successful and Cherokee Bill found out how George Brown had been treating his sister.

This is where the word "murder" comes into play. When Cherokee Bill got wind of Brown's behavior, he immediately sought him out for an in-depth discussion of the matter. The two bandied a few words about and then Cherokee Bill awarded Brown several new orifices in places that God had not intended. In other words, after her brother finished discussing the situation with her husband, Maude Goldsby Brown was a widow.

Later in 1894 Cherokee Bill and the Cook brothers were extremely busy, particularly Cherokee Bill. A station agent named Richard Richards got on Bill's bad side by having the effrontery to complain because Bill and the Cook brothers were following their chosen profession – namely, they were robbing the place. Bill killed him for it.

Then there was the railroad conductor, Samuel Collins. When the conductor attempted to throw Cherokee Bill off the train, the outlaw killed him for his trouble. Apparently Bill felt that because he planned on robbing the train, he didn't need a ticket to ride it.

In Lenapah, Oklahoma, Bill and several other accomplices were busying themselves robbing the Shufeldt and Son

General Store. While they were occupied with this endeavor, a man named Ernest Melton happened by, and, hearing a commotion inside the place, stuck his head in to see what was going on.

This, of course, was precisely what he should not have done. Cherokee Bill immediately jerked a pistol and fatally shot Melton in the head. Shortly thereafter, in early 1895, while Bill was visiting his sweetheart, alert lawmen trapped and captured him. And it was for Melton's death that Bill was sentenced to hang by the legendary "Hanging Judge" – Isaac Parker.

Nevertheless, Cherokee Bill managed to get himself into trouble wherever he went – even death row. On July 26, 1896 in the jail at Fort Smith, Arkansas, Cherokee Bill somehow got hold of a gun. Apparently thinking that he could escape from what would now be called a maximum security prison, the deluded Cherokee Bill stuck the weapon in the face of a guard named Lawrence Keating and demanded to be released. When Keating, the father of four, tried to reason with the desperate outlaw, Cherokee Bill shot him to death. Retreating back to his cell, he began taunting the authorities, laughing dementedly and firing an occasional round into the cell block.

Starr steps in

At this point, the forces of law and order received some assistance from an unexpected source. Also languishing in the Fort Smith jail was Henry Starr, a more accomplished (and more humane) outlaw than Cherokee Bill had ever been.

Starr told the guards – none of whom were eager to confront Cherokee Bill – that he would be happy to go and disarm the crazed outlaw. The authorities, feeling that they had nothing to lose by such a maneuver – except maybe Starr himself – agreed.

Henry Starr had been called many names, but "coward" was not among them. After receiving permission to approach Cherokee Bill, Starr ambled casually down to Bill's cell and strolled in. A rather tense silence followed, and then, a few minutes later, Starr emerged with Cherokee Bill's weapon. Starr never did divulge what had passed between them, and the authorities really didn't care. The main thing was that Cherokee Bill was back in irons.

And that was where he remained, right up until the day of his execution. When Cherokee Bill mounted the 13 steps of the gallows, he was asked if he had any last words. Looking around him, Cherokee Bill then said the words for which he is best remembered today.

"I came here to die," he said, "not to make a speech."

Sources: "Age of the Gunfighter" by Joseph Rosa; "The Life of Outlaw Henry Starr" by Henry Starr; "Encyclopedia of Western Gunfighters," by Bill O'Neal.

NOTEWORTHY

BOXOFFICE

A listing of who is coming from near and far to perform near and somewhat far.

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• **BRIAN GANZ**, pianist, 7:30 p.m. April 18 and 2 p.m. April 19 at Fox Fine Arts Center Recital Hall in El Paso. Tickets: \$14, call Ticketmaster, or El Paso Pro-Musica at 915-833-9400.

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5. Madonna- Ray Of Light
6. Savage Garden- Savage Garden
7. Eric Clapton- Pilgrim
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3. Usher- Nice & Slow
4. Celine Dion- My Heart Will Go On

5. Destiny's Child- No, No, No
6. Montell Jordan Fat, Master P & Silk The Shocker- Let's Ride
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9. Wyclef Jean- Gone Till November
10. Next- Too Close
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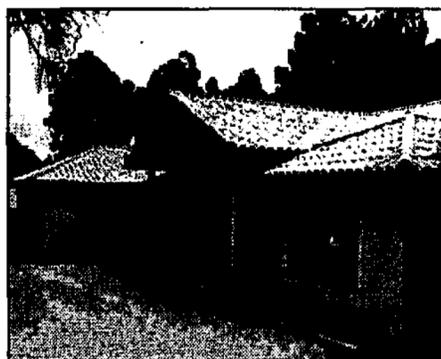


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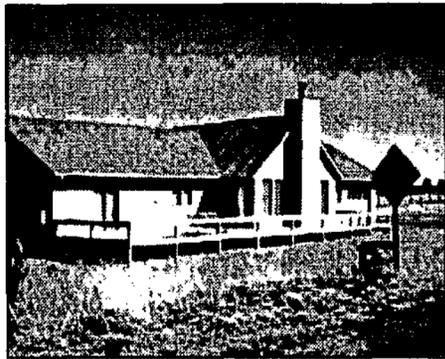
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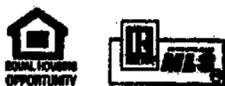


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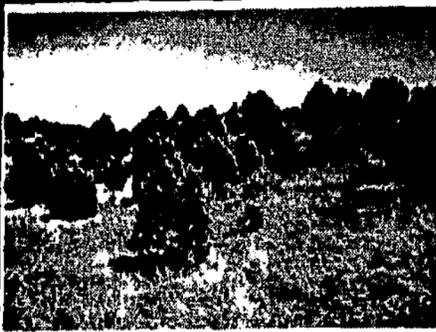
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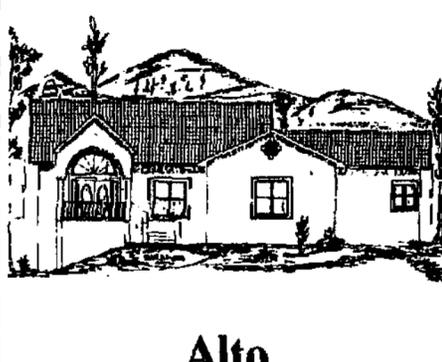
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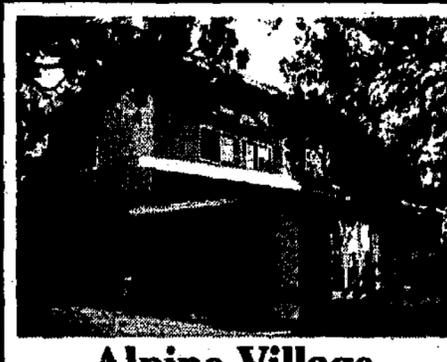
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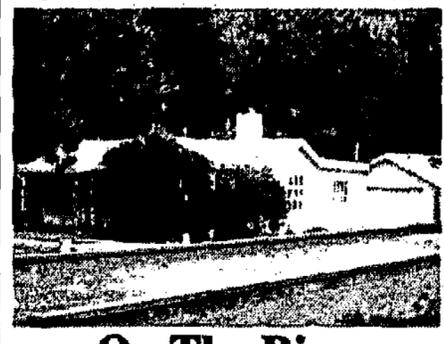
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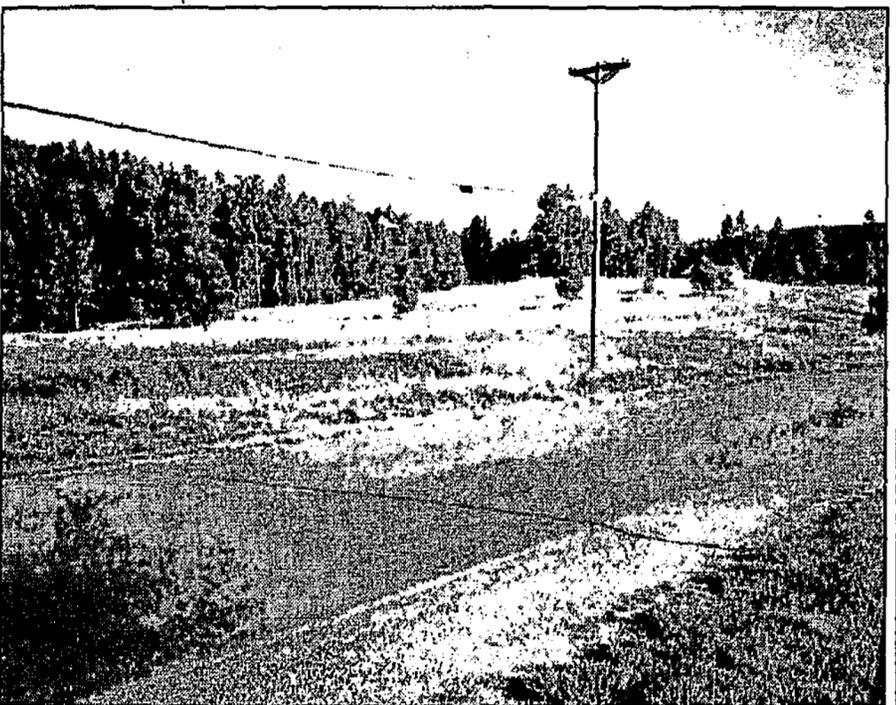
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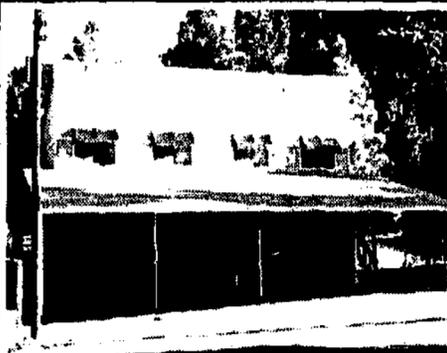
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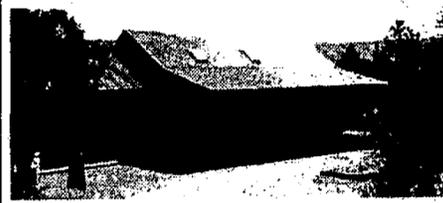


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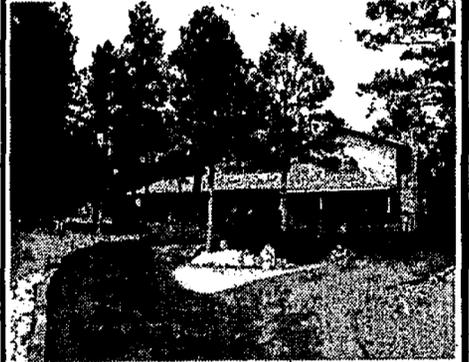
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Great location for all kinds of business or can be used as a super large home. 1.1205 acres of land, chain link fence on part of property. One large home and separate guest efficiency!