



Apaches celebrate fifty years of fighting fires

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Older Apache firefighters from Mescalero remember their early training as a first line of defense against fires for their settlements and schools.

They were pulled from their fourth grade classes to watch and learn from members of The Red Hats, an all-Indian fire-fighting crew organized in 1948 and trained by the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the U.S. Forest Service.

Three of those young boys who became firefighters 30 to 40 years ago, will be on hand for the 50th Anniversary celebration Saturday and Sunday of the formation of the Mescalero Red Hats.

They took time out recently to reflect on their early days with the group, the impressive work that gained the Mescalero Apache firefighters a national reputation and how technology has changed methods of attacking wild fires.

The two-day commemoration begins at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Mescalero Ceremonial Grounds with the unveiling of a monument to the firefighters designed by artist Oliver Enjady. Members also will receive medallions recognizing their service.

At noon, a free lunch will be served and the public is invited. Apache War Dancers will appear at 4 p.m., followed by a free dinner.

The Mountain Gods dancers are scheduled for 7 p.m.

Sunday's events begin with the Mescalero Hot Shot Challenge Run, a 10k, 5K and four mile relay walk. To participate, call Harry Wheeler at 671-4410.

A noon lunch is next, followed at 4 p.m. by Apache War Dancers, at 5:30 p.m. dinner and at 7 p.m., the Dance of the Mountain Gods.

Pride

The Red Hats were the first organized fire-fighting group in the West with the exception of permanent Forest Service employees.

Firefighter Berle Kanseah, former tribal council member, who also is involved in the preservation of tribal cultural heritage, said the Mescalero Apache possess special assets born from their traditions.

"We can condition in short time to different elevations in different areas and climates," Kanseah said. "That's why the Armed wanted to use Apaches, because we acclimate faster. It's part of the tradition. We're fortunate to have an elevation of 6,000 feet at Mescalero. The mountains rise to 12,000 feet and just 17 miles away is the desert. We can work at 9,000 all day long for years.

"We have gone to school off the reservation close to sea level, so we don't suffer as much as others would in our area."

The crew showed outstanding effectiveness first on regional fires near and on the Reservation, according to a short summary of the group's history. The reputation of the firefighters grew and it wasn't long before the crew expanded to meet Western demands. Quick response time became an acknowledged assets. In four hours, crews could be on the ground fighting fires in the California forests.

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Four firefighters who have seen changes over the years are the Mescalero Red Hats. Pictured will be at the two-day celebration this weekend. They are Ray Mendez (standing left) and Ray Kirgan. In front are Berle Kanseah and Lewis La Paz. Pictured in the inset are members of the Red Hats who received an award for meritorious service from the Secretary of Interior. They are, standing left to right, Pete Valdez, Percy Via, Irby Kazhe, William Peto, Marcus Pena and William Pellman. Seated are William Evans, Fred Shanta, Rufus Lester, Paul Choneska, Frank Second and Maurice Gallerito.

Air Force moves forward with training complex

Ranchers group threatens to sue government

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A site designated by the U.S. Air Force as the preferred option for construction of an air-to-ground target training complex sent a coalition of several groups running to an attorney this week.

The Air Force released its Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) Friday on the proposed expansion of German Air Force operations at Holloman Air Force Base.

The EIS analyzes the potential environmental impacts of stationing 30 additional German Air Force Tornado aircraft and 640 associated personnel at Holloman.

In that document, the preferred alternative was identified for a new target complex on West Otero Mesa.

While the proposal has the approval of officials from the city of Alamogordo, because of the economic benefits, it has been opposed by ranchers, sportsmen and the Bureau of Land Management, which manages a portion of the land and has a water line in place.

Bob Jones, president of the Paragon Foundation, which sponsored a meeting earlier in the year to bring together those who would be affected by the choice of West Otero Mesa, said Tuesday the decision was

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Albert Rojas outside Magistrate Court.

Judge rules enough evidence found to prosecute alleged bank robber

BY TONI K. LAXSON
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An Albuquerque man will be prosecuted in district court because of "overwhelming probable cause" that he was involved in a 1996 Ruidoso armed bank robbery, a judge said Tuesday.

Based on the testimony of two of seven state witnesses, Lincoln County Magistrate Judge William Butts on Tuesday bonded 20-year-old Albert Rojas over to district court on charges of armed robbery with a deadly weapon and conspiracy to commit a felony.

Butts also increased Rojas' bond amount to \$250,000. Rojas, who turned himself in to the court in January, had been out of jail on a property bond put up by his family. He was taken to the Ruidoso holding facility on Tuesday, pending his family making the increased bond amount.

Butts delivered his decision following a seven-hour hearing Tuesday on whether there was probable cause that Rojas participated in the bank robbery on Nov. 4, 1996, of the First Savings Bank at 2713 Sudderth Drive.

According to testimony, the robbery occurred at about 10 a.m. in the morning when no other customers were in the bank. About \$2,000 was taken from tellers' drawers in the robbery. While one robber held a gun to the manager's head, the other jumped the tellers' counter and took the money.

The other suspect in the case, Vicente Montes, was sentenced to 10 years in late February after he pleaded no contest.

Butts referred to testimony from the bank manager, Eddy Gibson, who said he saw Rojas' face before the man pulled down a ski mask, walked into his office, aimed an automatic pistol at his head and threatened his life.

"I believe and trusted Gibson is a credible and trustworthy witness," Butts told the court.

Butts also referred to the testimony of a 19-year-old woman, Amber Herrera, who is also the cousin of Montes. Herrera told the court that Montes had brought Rojas over to her apartment the night before the robbery. She later identified Rojas to police on the bank's videotape of the robbery based on the clothes he was wearing.

Jacob Vigil, Rojas' attorney, discounted Herrera's testimony based on statements she made that the defendant was wearing jeans the night before the robbery. In the videotape, the robbers are shown to be wearing khaki pants.

He also discounted Gibson's testimony, saying the bank manager never mentioned seeing one of the defendant's faces in his statements to the either the Ruidoso police or the FBI.

Butts first set Rojas' bond for \$500,000, saying it was what had been set for Montes. He agreed to lower the bond amount to \$250,000 after repeated requests for a lower bond from Vigil.

Council restructures meetings rules

BY TONI K. LAXSON
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Robert Donaldson wants to change the way things are done at Ruidoso Village Council meetings.

Ruidoso's newly elected mayor proposed several new policies Saturday at a council retreat workshop. The changes range from how public hearings will be con-

ducted, to how councilors will address each other and the mayor during council sessions, to getting more audible microphones for the council.

"That's what we are doing, establishing policies that we will vote on (at one of the council's May sessions)," Donaldson said.

The new policies, especially those pertaining to

public hearings, would be explained to people attending council sessions before a hearing begins, he said.

One of the biggest changes in policy is in regard to whom may request a spot on the council agenda. Currently, anyone may be placed on the agenda at their request.

Donaldson, whose proposals were met with

approval from councilors, said the village should instead try to handle residents' complaints and concerns by directing them first to the proper village board or department head. If the situation is not remedied, then the resident would be put on the council agenda.

"Some items should

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RUIDOSO'S THREE-DAY WEATHER OUTLOOK

WEDNESDAY High ... 66 Low ... 25



Sunny

THURSDAY High ... 72 Low ... 30



Sunny

FRIDAY High ... 73 Low ... 31



Partly cloudy

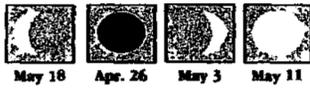
WEATHER ALMANAC

Ruidoso Readings	High	Low	Precip.
Friday	40	25	.04"
Saturday	53	19	Trace
Sunday	60	20	.00"
Monday	61	28	.00"

Regional-Wednesday	High	Low	Forecast
Albuquerque	69	34	Thunderstorms
El Paso, TX	100	70	Sunny
Lubbock, TX	88	67	Thunderstorms
Midland, TX	93	68	Thunderstorms



April/May phases of the moon



STARDATE

Venus and Jupiter - the third and fourth brightest objects in Earth's sky - put on a stunning display in the predawn sky for the next few days. They will pass about one-third of a degree from each other - less than the width of the full Moon. They rise around 5 a.m. Today, Jupiter is just below Venus, which is the brighter of the two planets. The waning crescent Moon rises before them.

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5 YEARS A DRAGON

courtesy Bill Rakocy's "Ghostown of White Oaks"

White Oaks - Main Street in the 1890s.

I.C. SCRAPBOOK

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

White Oaks Eagle
April 19, 1900

The White Oaks Electric Company capital \$10,000, divided into 2,000 shares, was incorporated by John A. Brown, Paul Mayer, Robert E. Lunt, August Ziegler, Jones Taliaferro, S. C. Wiener. The company intends to construct telegraph, telephone and electric railway lines. The wire and machines

have been ordered for the telephones to Carrizozo, and the contract for poles will be let this week. The electric light plant will quickly follow this. With the Old Abe, the South Homestead and Lady Godiva using a reasonable number of lights, the town can be supplied at a very reasonable rate.

... there will be a meeting of the Board of school examiners of the County of Lincoln, for examination of teachers at White Oaks on Saturday, April 21, 1900. - John A. Haley, Supt. of Schools.

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Requests for absentee ballots can be made Thursday

Those that want to get a jump on the primary election, which will be held June 2, can request absentee ballots starting Thursday.

Requests can be made by phone to the Lincoln County Clerk's Office at (505) 648-2394 or in person at the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.

The last day to register or change party affiliation will be May 5. Registration forms are available at all municipal clerks' offices or the county clerks office. Political party offices also should have voter registration forms.

Early voting begins on May 13 at the Lincoln County Courthouse and the Civic Events Center in Ruidoso

FIREFIGHTERS: of Mescalero have a nationwide reputation for expertise

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In 1951, the Red Hats fought seven separate fires in that state. Assignments to Idaho and Washington followed the next year.

The men were considered particularly valuable on dangerous fires where experience and stamina were essential. In 1954, the Secretary of Interior awarded the Meritorious Service Award to the Mescalero Red Hats for their fire fighting accomplishments throughout the West.

Hard work

From fourth through eighth grade, young boys of the tribe trained to fight fires, to create fire lines and take other steps to slow a fire until help could arrive.

The training was necessary because telephone lines might go down in a fire and isolate the communities and schools at White Tail, Elk Springs and Carrizo, said Ray Kirgan, a former tribal council member with 40 years in fire fighting and the man most credited with training new firefighters over the years.

It was just one more job for the boys, who already worked hard around their homes and family gardens, Kanseah said.

"We grew up working hard," he said. "The traditional way was to put your head down and work. If someone patted you on the back - good. If not, you did the best you could do. We have good discipline."

Kanseah grew up in White Tail and remembers watching the Red Hats demonstrate what to do.

About six boys would participate, Kirgan said. It was exciting for the young to think

they might someday be called upon to help, he said.

They were amazed at the skill of the Red Hats, he said. They saw a demonstration of how one forester could mop up a very hot fire by hand and without water in one hour.

Many of the boys wanted to pursue fire fighting when they grew up, but the work is seasonal and most have other jobs at Ski Apache or the Inn of the Mountain Gods or other Mescalero enterprises. A few lucky ones become forestry technicians or pursue fire and timber management.

Kirgan was offered a job with the forestry branch of the BIA when he was 18. Although at 58, he's retired now, he's still active in fire fighting as are Kanseah and Raphael "Ray" Mendez, a tribal council member who grew up in Elk.

"At first, we used nothing but shovels and other hand tools, but with modern technology now, we have satellite mapping to pinpoint hot spots, helicopter and aircraft, tankers and lap top computers that are taken into the field and can show what direction the wind is moving and how fast before it gets to you," Kirgan said.

The method of travel and communications also has changed from regular pickup trucks to elaborate radio and telephone systems in four-wheel drive units and helicopters, Kanseah said.

But even under primitive conditions, the Red Hats could always reach a fire on the Reservation, because they knew every inch of the territory. They would ride horses or hike, but they would get there, he said.

Mendez is proud of the Mescalero ability to build a fire line to stop a fire, stripping the

County budget review begins

Sheriff Tom Sullivan will take the hot seat first during the Lincoln County Commission's initial department-by-department look at the county's proposed 1998-99 budget.

Law enforcement, the county detention center and the Glencoe Rural Events Center are three of the major budgets to be reviewed Wednesday starting at 8:30 a.m. in the commission room at the courthouse in Carrizozo.

The county treasurer, clerk and volunteer fire departments will come up during a second session on Thursday. Special programs will be looked at during a preliminary review of the budget the following Tuesday.

The county operates primarily through the general fund and the road fund. Most of the other funds are for programs in which the money is passed through the county or is reserved for capital outlay or projects such as repairs to county buildings.

Under the general fund, the county anticipates receiving \$3,409,750 in revenue and has proposed expenditures of \$3,282,965.

But in the road fund, expenses are estimated at \$1.1 million, about \$200,000 more than the expected revenue of \$899,196. Unless cuts occur, the difference would have to be pulled from the general fund reserve.

line of all vegetation down to the dirt, then back firing it, so that the wild fire dies out when it runs out of fuel. The technique of successful lines of men with specific assignments to create a fire line has been adopted by crews from other areas.

Training now starts at the age of 18 for both women and men. It takes one or two fire seasons to weed out those who aren't right for the job, Kirgan said.

Safety record

In half a century, only one crew member has died on a fire, Kanseah said. The man was struck by falling rocks on a fire in California.

Although Kanseah credits good crew leadership with keeping him safe over the years, Mendez remembers one time in 1951 when an inexperienced non-Indian leader placed his crew in danger.

"We were fighting a fire on Mount Graham in Safford, Ariz., when an inexperienced leader put us right in front of the fire at the end of the canyon," he said. "We got caught at the top as the fire swept up the canyon. We couldn't run. We just stayed down until it cleared up and we were able to regroup."

The fire that stands out to Kanseah was the Elk Springs fire in 1971 on the Reservation.

The blaze rolled until it ran out of timber, burning 21,000 acres from Highway 244 east to Cow Camp.

Mescalero firefighter crew leaders speak up when they think they've been improperly directed on a fire, Kanseah said.

"They may say 'No, we do it a different way,'" he said.

RANCHERS: say the low-flying aircraft pose a danger to their way of life

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not unexpected.

The coalition of affected groups, including the Otero Cattle Growers Association and the Lincoln Forest Permittees, plans to sue the government to stop the action, he said.

"It's my opinion that the Air Force has shown very little understanding or did not listen

to the people involved in this," Jones said. "Air Force officials appeared to have already made up their minds even before going through the EIS process, and did that (the EIS process) only as a formality."

"How could an EIS show no significant impact as a result of this kind of low overflight activity?"

Other options studied included not allowing any

expansion of the German Air Force at Holloman or using an already existing bombing range further north on the White Sands Missile Range.

The West Otero Mesa option, of four proposed, would involve creating a new target complex on 5,120 acres of the McGregor Range, a 697,472-acre Army training area south of Alamogordo.

A "record of decision" will

be issued in 30 days stating the Air Force's chosen course of action.

A copy of the final EIS is available for public review at the Ruidoso Public Library. For more information, contact the 49th Fighter Wing Public Affairs office at (505) 475-5406 or write 490 First St., Suite 2800, Holloman AFB, NM 88330-8277.

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never make it to the agenda," Donaldson said.

Speakers will be asked to keep their presentations to the council to 10 minutes, not including time spent answering questions from the council, he said.

People to speak before the council also will be asked to supply details of the issue or issues they wish to address. For example, if a letter is to be read to the council, then a copy of the letter should be submitted prior to the meeting, he said.

One of the goals of the new policies is to prevent people without legitimate concerns from using council sessions to grandstand, Donaldson said.

"Some people come just to get on the camera," he said. "If they are not going to be asking any questions, you can be sure that they are not going to get on the agen-

da.

The council's agenda also will be closed sooner than before to allow time for staff to prepare council packets. Currently, the agenda is open until noon on Thursday preceding a Tuesday council session.

"And I plan on attending all of the agenda meetings (in which the agendas are put together by village staff), so there will probably be more items on the consent agenda than there have been in the past," Donaldson said.

The consent agenda, in which the council decides on numerous items with one vote, are all items that are not considered to be contentious, though there seems to be a public perception that they are, a village administrator said.

During public hearings, people wishing to speak on issues will be required to submit their names on a card along with

their address and what they want to address, councilors said. The cards will be easily available, even for people walking into a session late, Donaldson said.

Comments during public hearings will be limited to Ruidoso residents, property owners and business owners, Donaldson said.

Public comments during a public hearing end, as required by parliamentary procedure, after a motion is made. After that time, all discussion of an issue is only between councilors and the mayor. Because of this, Donaldson urged councilors to not "rush" to a motion during public hearings.

Also, speakers during public hearings will be asked to keep their comments to five minutes.

As far as the agenda's line up of items, Donaldson said the manager's reports should be moved to the front of the agenda

instead of being the last items. The reason for doing this is because of the importance of the information regularly brought up during the manager's reports. More people will hear the reports, which last about 15-20 minutes, if they came first, he said.

"And I think that's time well spent," he said, adding that communication of village news has been a difficult for Ruidoso. "Getting information to the public is critical."

The main audience who want to see the reports are the residents watching the council session on public access channel, Channel 11 on Lincoln Cablevision, Donaldson said. Hundreds, if not thousands, of people watched the sessions on the public access channel, he said.

"Don't ever underestimate the number of people watching those meetings," he said.

It's 'Keep America (and Ruidoso) Beautiful Month'

'Bank Challenge' litter clean-up Saturday

They may not be wearing pin-stripes, but local bankers will be out in numbers Saturday morning for a "Bank Challenge" litter clean-up effort, a coordinator said.

April is Keep America Beautiful month in New Mexico, said Susan Luterman, chair of Keep Ruidoso Beautiful. This Saturday's clean-up effort is to honor this month's designation, she said.

Teams from four local banks will compete from 9 to 11

a.m. Saturday to see who can pick up the most trash.

The public is welcome to join the clean up effort by either calling one of the participating banks or the Ruidoso Parks and Recreation Department at 257-5030, Luterman said.

Participating banks include First National Bank, of which Luterman is an officer, Ruidoso State Bank, Sierra Bank and First Federal Bank, she said.

The teams are to meet in the parking lot of the First National Bank at 11:30 a.m. to determine a winner and to hand out prizes and t-shirts. The prize for the bank team with the most litter will be something simple, more of a token award, she said.

T-shirts will be handed out through a drawing, she said.

"Basically, it is just to create an awareness," she said of the clean-up effort.

Members of the Keep Ruidoso

Beautiful Committee, formed last year by the Ruidoso Village Council, are trying to educate the community about litter abatement, she said.

"The whole point is to start picking up the trash."

Eighteen communities in New Mexico will conduct clean-up efforts this month, she said.

A village-wide effort, the annual Ruidoso River clean-up, is scheduled for May 16.

DEATHS FUNERALS

Joe Ann Stokes

Visitation for Joe Ann "Jodie" Stokes, 70, of Ruidoso was Monday at LaGrone Funeral Chapel. Funeral services were on Tuesday at the First Baptist Church in Ruidoso with the Rev. Tim Gilliland and the Rev. Don Madaris officiating.

A graveside service will be at 10 a.m. today at Resthaven Cemetery in Lubbock, Texas.

Mrs. Stokes died Saturday, April 18, at her home. She was born Nov. 29, 1927 in Pride, Texas.

She moved to Ruidoso in 1968 from Lubbock when she retired from advertising sales.

She was co-owner and operator of Sherwood Forest Cabins with her husband in Ruidoso.

She was a member of First Baptist Church in Ruidoso.

She married L.C. "Cowboy" Stokes on March 6, 1952, in Lubbock.

She is survived by her husband, Cowboy, of Ruidoso; a daughter, Patricia Kay Webb, of Alamogordo; a son, Michael Crumley, of El Paso; and a sister, Willie Marie Bradford, of Lamesa; seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by a son, Terry Stokes, on June 14, 1997.

The family has requested memorials to Hospice of Lincoln County.

Arrangements are by LaGrone Funeral Chapel of Ruidoso.

Erwin C. Toensing

Visitation for Erwin C. Toensing, 82, was Monday, April 20 at the LaGrone Funeral Chapel where the funeral was on Tuesday.

The services were officiated by the Rev. David Bergman and burial followed at Forest Lawn Cemetery.

Mr. Toensing died Friday, April 17.

Mr. Toensing was born July 31, 1915, in Darwin, Minn. The son of Emilie and Frank Toensing, he grew up in the rural community of Atwa-

ter, Minn. He was baptized into the Lutheran faith on Aug. 24, 1915, by Pastor J. F. Guse.

He was confirmed in the Lutheran faith on May 26, 1929, by Pastor F.E. Passche at St. John's Lutheran Church, Atwater, Minn.

At the age of 30, Mr. Toensing opened his own business, 'Erwin's Sales and Service' in Atwater.

In 1951, he moved to Albuquerque, N.M., and later started 'Erwin & Sons, Inc.' until he retired in 1979.

Following his retirement, he started 'E.J. Enterprise Signs' with his wife, Jeanette.

Mr. Toensing was a member of the Albuquerque Chamber of Commerce for more than 20 years, a member of TVI Advisory Board, and a member of the Sheet Metal Council.

He also was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church for many years.

During this time, he served as chairman, trustee, member of the Board of Education, and chairman of the Building Committee.

He sold E.J. Enterprise in 1988 and retired to Ruidoso. In Ruidoso, Mr. Toensing started 'E.J. Signs, Sharpening and Storage Units.'

He was a member of Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, where he served as elder for three years and chairman for two years.

Mr. Toensing is survived by his wife, Jeanette; sons, Maynard and his wife, Judy, Gene and his wife, Fran, all of Albuquerque, and Clayton and his wife, Anne, of Bellevue, Wash.; daughters, Carolyn Homp and husband, Phil, of Anderson, Texas, Gloria Krebs and husband, Jake, of Denver; stepson, Andrew Martinez, of Tucson, Ariz.; ten grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and his in-laws, John and Lucy Briseno, of San Jose, Calif.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his brother, Harold, and his sisters Mildred Gratz and Adeline Urban.

VILLAGE NEWS

Visioning meeting on business/tourism

A Ruidoso committee appointed to put together a "visioning" survey will hold one last meeting to find out what questions residents believe should be included in the survey. A date for the meeting has not yet been set, village officials said.

The last range of topics will center on Ruidoso's economy, including business and tourism.

Water master plan

Ruidoso's 12 to 15-year-old water master plan will be updated by consultants and a computer model of the system created.

The project, approved by Ruidoso village councilors this week at a combined cost of \$71,000, will allow village officials to make effective improvements to the water system, Ruidoso Deputy Village Manager Alan Briley said.

The village has about \$60,000 set aside in its 1998-99 budget for the work, village officials said earlier.

Eight firms responded to a village request for proposals for the work, Briley said. The bids were received on Feb. 27. A

selection committee reviewed the proposals and selected the Wilson & Co. firm as the best candidate, Briley said.

The computer model will be effective as a long-range planning tool for improvements and also will point out deficiencies in the system, said both Briley and Mayor Robert Donaldson.

Right-of-Way policy

Ruidoso established a policy for leasing public right-of-way that includes a way for the village to reclaim the land if a need arose.

Fees for leasing right-of-ways will include a \$50 yearly fee in addition to a charge of 10 cents for every square foot. Each license for the lease of land will be for a five-year period.

The leases, or licenses, are typically requested by people who have adjoining land separated by public right-of-ways, Village Manager Gary Jackson said.

Girls' softball league

A request for continued village funding for a girls' softball league was referred to the Ruidoso Parks and Recreation Commission last week by the Ruidoso Village Council. The

commission turned down the request last week, on the basis that the village was trying to be consistent in what recreational activities were village supported by the village, a staff member said. The village of Ruidoso doesn't provide financial sponsorship of other leagues organized outside the village, such as the Ruidoso Little League, a village staff member said.

Vicky Eckerdt, local coordinator of a chapter of a national girls' softball league, talked at length to the Ruidoso Village Council last week asking that funding be reinstated.

Eckerdt said she only learned in early April that the village would no longer sponsor the teams, whose members range in age from 10 to 14. The village has sponsored the league, which has nationally certified coaches, for five years, she said.

Eckerdt said she would have applied for the recreational funding made available to the village by the county; however, she was told at the time the village did intend to sponsor the teams, she said.

She admitted the chapter had exceeded its budget last year by about \$1,000, for a total of \$2,783. She said the registration per girl had

been increased this year, and that the girls were willing to raise money themselves as they did last year. Eckerdt also said the Ruidoso-based games, in which out-of-town teams travel here, brought in money for the local economy.

Ruidoso Mayor Robert Donaldson told Eckerdt the problem was not money, but the complaints about the league that were directed at the village. Most of the complaints were from parents about certain members not being able to play in games, he said.

"If the village of Ruidoso is going to take the hits, then we want to have the authority to make sure things are going to be done right," he said.

Eckerdt responded by saying about a dozen girls did not have parental permission to play in out-of-town games and therefore could not participate in all the games.

Donaldson recommended that she speak to the Parks and Recreation Commission, which met the following night. The commission denied her request, saying the league could not be funded when other leagues weren't, a village staff member said.

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OUR OPINION

Crime has its price

Like the bounty hunters of yore who rounded up bad guys to collect the reward money, law enforcement officials in recent years have had an extra incentive for going after drug dealers.

Under the law, the sheriff's department or municipal police force that nails the violators and confiscates the vehicles, cash or whatever used for the drug dealers' ill gotten gains may be kept and used by the lawmen to continue the battle.

That sometimes is a tidy sum. Over a period of time, an active and successful anti-drug program — after the perpetrators are convicted, of course — can collect a whole parking lot full of vehicles, plus cash and weapons. The agencies can convert the hardware into cash. (But not the drug haul, of course; it's evidence.)

It's turned out to be quite an operation, especially along the Interstate system. With a good drug-sniffing dog, some local police departments have added thousands annually to their spending budgets. One community picked up a BMW sedan in a highway bust, and the town's parks and recreation department director used it for years.

So it's no surprise that Lincoln County's commissioners would like to have some of the loot the sheriff has picked up from drug busts. After all, the jails fill up when drug dealers are nabbed, and that puts a burden on the county and its taxpayers.

Nor is it a surprise that the sheriff, with backing from the district attorney, has declared hands off; the law, he says, is very specific on the subject. Since 1978, when the law was passed, confiscated money may be used only for enforcement of the Controlled Substance Act.

The New Mexico Association of Counties may be taking the lead on the issue, as pressure on county detention centers mounts.

Crime and punishment takes many forms, and here's one where money (as with most things) is at the bottom of the argument. Let the law prevail, or change it.

OTHER VIEWS

Quotes of local interest from all over, as published in newspapers from here or elsewhere.

Subsidized housing

"We have been working with (opponents) from the beginning. We are always open to suggestions."

Stephen Crozier, developer of the proposed Tierra del Oso

project on Jack Little Drive, after pulling his request for a site development approval from the Ruidoso Planning and Zoning Commission last week. He said his goal still is to start construction of the \$3.9 million, 60-apartment complex sometime this year.

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YOUR OPINION

Rules governing a public library

To the editor:

Can you digest just one more comment on the Ruidoso Library situation? The "Hitchhiker," our state's publication for librarians (No. 1255 from April 6, 1998) states:

"To be designated 'public,' a library must have a governing board, be open at least 26 hours per week with 6 of those hours evenings or weekends, and spend at least \$1.50 per capita annually on books and materials..."

Your new building truly is a jewel and deserves the greatest amount of popularity and usage.

Eve M. Jaenke
Alamogordo Public Library
board member

Potter firing example of high-handed action

To the editor:

As a former county employee, I had occasion to work closely with County Manager Frank Potter. I found him to be knowledgeable, effective and dedicated. He had a sincere interest in the welfare and progress of the county.

Early in April, I began hearing rumors that three of the county commissioners were planning to fire him. I did not see how this could be possible since they had only recently given him a unanimous vote of approval and offered to raise his pay, which he declined in favor of the county budget.

On April 14...several others and I went to the commission meeting to, perhaps, say a word in favor of Mr. Potter or at least to get an explanation for the firing. As it turned out, no one was allowed to discuss the motion to terminate, although several of us tried to. The only explanation was some kind of nonsense about not wanting to hurt Frank.

The vote was taken with several still calling to be allowed to talk. It went down exactly as the rumor reported—two for and two against, with the chairman quickly breaking the tie in favor of firing him. It was also very apparent the other three had predetermined to do so, and they did not want to discuss it with the public or the other two commissioners. It was a travesty on the concept of public meetings, and if the truth was known, there may be a violation of the open meeting laws.

Well, it's done, and they have had their way. Lincoln County has lost the service of an experienced and dedicated professional.

It is my personal opinion that the action was not justi-

fied, but setting that aside, the manner in which it was done was high-handed, unfair and disgraceful. When it was over, one of them said, rather arrogantly, "if the voters don't like it, there is an election coming up and they can vote us out."

An excellent idea, commissioner!

Cliff Macsas
Capitan

An embarrassment for Lincoln County

(The following letter to the Lincoln County Commission was submitted to the newspaper for publication.)

To the commissioners:

I am not sure now what to say to people when they tell me they feel that you have already decided upon your actions at meetings and feel there is no point in making their opinions known. I have always told them that they should come to the meetings; that you allowed the citizens of Lincoln County to express their opinions on the subjects you deal with. I have always felt that you allowed public input, pro or con. I'm no sure anymore!

At your commission meeting of April 14, I saw you push through removing Frank Potter, county manager, from office with a vote of 3-2. Two commissioners, Monroy Montes and L. Ray Nunley, said they did not want to embarrass Mr. Potter by stating why he was to be removed other than by using the word "inefficiency." What is more embarrassing than being removed for "inefficiency" after two months previously being offered a raise of \$4,000? Mr. Potter refused that raise, stating that the county could not afford to give him this raise.

This reevaluation (that is how it was put on the agenda) was a surprise to the citizens of Lincoln County; I believe, a surprise to Frank Potter; and at the time of presentation, sounded like it was a surprise to two of the commissioners. It did not seem to be a surprise to three of the commissioners (Howell, Nunley and Montes).

With no explanations, no audience participation allowed (the two who did make comment went up on their own...), and the non-surprise of the above three commissioners (that) Potter lost his job, I am asking "was this already a done deal and only needed to be voted at the meeting by the above three commissioners?"

I was ashamed of my commissioners (except Schwetmann and Wilson) at this meeting. I have been angry occasionally at the commission (that is to be expected), but I have not been ashamed of you before as I was at this meeting.

If you wonder why many of the people of Lincoln County question many of the things you do — look at the Frank Potter reevaluation at this meeting.

I do not know why Frank Potter was removed, as your actions told me that I had not only no right to the information, but that I do not have the intelligence to decide there was a need to remove Frank Potter. With the last reevaluation and offer of a raise, I wonder about your action. But then I am not intelligent enough to ask questions and evaluate your answers.

Don't ever wonder why your actions are questioned. Your actions April 14 showed why your actions are questioned by the citizens of Lincoln County.

Barbara Culler
Carrizozo

Is the kitchen's heat getting to the president?

To the editor:

Back in the days when Harry Truman, a Democrat, was running against Thomas Dewey, a Republican, for President of the United States, I was a young journalist living in Santa Fe.

I weekly took the Gallup Poll and sent in the results. As election time neared, my poll in Santa Fe showed that Harry Truman would be the next elected president.

Much to my surprise, I received a letter from the Gallup Poll saying that my polling was in error and that Thomas Dewey would win the next presidential election.

As we all know, Thomas Dewey did not win the election, and Harry Truman was our next president.

As a result of this polling experience, I lost faith in most polls, and today when I read in the news media or hear on the TV news the popularity rating of certain elected officials, I have my doubts as to the accuracy of the "supposedly" polling results.

Also, I remember Harry Truman saying, "if you can't stand the heat, stay out of the kitchen."

Is that why our current president, Bill Clinton, is traveling the world while "doing his job?" Is he staying out of the kitchen?

Annie McManus
Caballo

Thou shalt not steal thy neighbor's courthouse

To the editor:

There has been a good deal of talk recently...regarding the explosive growth now going on in Lincoln county, and the even greater growth projected for

the future, causing one to ask, where is Lincoln County headed?

One report stated that Ruidoso wants to annex Alto, against the will of most of its inhabitants.

"Today we rule Ruidoso; tomorrow, all of Lincoln County?" those of you with some knowledge of history know where that kind of thinking has led to in the past ("Today, we rule Germany; tomorrow, the world." — Adolph Hitler). Wrong! Ruidoso and its environs already is bulging at the seams. How many more people do you really want ... 20,000; 100,000; 1,000,000?

Do the people of Ruidoso really want to become another Albuquerque.

Where are you going to get the water? What are you going to do about the increase in crime and pollution (both environmental and moral) that always accompanies such cancerous growth.

Will those of you who now live in that still beautiful mountain community really want to live there after all of the trees and wildlife and clean air are gone?

Perhaps you should give some thought to these questions rather than try to gobble up everything you can get your hands on and welcoming development gone mad.

I assure you the developers and certain self-serving politicians couldn't care less.

I know that many of the good citizens of Ruidoso and its environs are followers of Jesus Christ and members of the various Christian denominations.

One of the commandments that all of you share is, "Thou shalt not steal" (thy neighbor's jail and courthouse).

We will now have an opportunity to see how many of you are sincere in your beliefs or only pay them lip service.

Donald Queen
Carrizozo

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COUNTY NEWS

Ruidoso-SWA divorce still at least six months away

Commission sends volunteer to conference

Upon a 4-1 vote, Lincoln County commissioners agreed at their meeting last week to send a member of the Public Lands Use Advisory Council to a conference in Reno, Nev., for the weekend despite complaints that the commission should not be spending public money on the trip.

Commissioner Wilton Howell voted against the move. Council member Tony Seno, who also is head of the county Libertarian Party, said \$500 would be needed to cover the \$100 registration fee, motel charges and other expenses.

Charles (Chay) Rennick, who is running for a commission seat, urged commissioners to stick to providing essential services.

"This commission already commissioned a land use plan of over 100 pages at the cost of \$15,000 for the consultant alone," he said. "The plan deals with public lands and the assertion of private use, not land use in general. Commissioners also (several years ago) approved contributing \$5,000 to \$10,000 toward a lawsuit in Nevada."

The group conducting the seminar is private and Seno is not a county employee, Rennick said.

"I can't imagine anything that applies better as fluff. I was not aware that volunteers were eligible to use county money," he said. "I suggest if you're going to spend \$500, it go to sending non-partisan professionals like Patsy Sanchez to Santa Fe on planning and land use."

Oscura resident Jerry Carroll objected to Rennick's remarks.

"These organizations are fighting against removal of private property rights through land use plans," he said. "I take offense when he says it's not important."

"I think that makes my point," Rennick said. "It's a matter of political philosophy."

"They (Western rights groups) are fighting for access across public land," said county probate judge Stirling Spencer, a rancher and former commissioner.

Commission to review boards, appointments

The time may be right to consolidate two Lincoln County boards that deal with many of the same land-related issues, County Commissioner Monroy Montes says.

He has proposed consolidating the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee and the Public Lands Use Advisory Council, and called for a hearing on the issue. The committee deals with private land use and the council with public land use.

The hearing was approved unanimously by commissioners, but Commissioner Rex Wilson offered an amendment, which was approved, that members of the two boards be allowed to come back with recommendations.

Oscura resident Jerry Carroll said the boards represent varied sections of the community and commissioners should not cut themselves off from different perspectives, advice and time spent studying.

But Montes said the move shouldn't affect the effectiveness of the consolidated board.

Commissioners also discussed a uniform approach for appointing people to different county boards.

County Attorney Alan Morel said the commission has 28 boards and committees of varying membership numbers.

Montes said the essential point is to clear up whether commissioners, on boards represented by districts, have the right to appoint anyone they want from their districts or need a majority vote of the commission.

Commissioners agreed to take five boards at a time each month, determine if they are active, whether their structure should be revised and make any needed changes.

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Ruidoso's separation from the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority may not occur until the end of September — after the first quarter of the 1998-99 fiscal year, which begins July 1.

Ruidoso Mayor Robert Donaldson told authority members Tuesday the village will not be rushed into action officials may regret later. Before the separation occurs, routes must be set up, equipment purchased and a decision made as to whether the village should handle garbage collection itself or contract with a private firm.

"We will not make a mistake by rushing into this," Donaldson said. "We've been working on that. We're not just starting today."

The mayor said one of the hold-ups has been waiting for

other members of the authority to pass a revised joint powers agreement that will allow Ruidoso to handle its own garbage and other debris, but remain a partner in a regional landfill south of Alamogordo. Capitan, the only village left to take action, is scheduled to approve the agreement next week.

"We're moving as rapidly as we can," Donaldson said. "For sure, this will be done by the end of the first quarter."

Requests for proposals already have been issued, seeking companies interested in picking up garbage and yard debris, he said. Ruidoso decided to break from the authority after complaining for more than two years that the service provided did not meet the needs of its residents.

Capitan officials have been concerned about how Ruidoso's split from the six-member coalition might affect the closing of a debris landfill at the edge of that village. But Mayor Norman Renfro, sitting in for authority representative Debra Ingle, a village trustee, was assured by the Authority's general manager, Jerry Wright, that closure is moving without a hitch.

Tires will be removed from the 17-acre site next week, the expense covered by grant money allocated for the project, he said. About 3,000 tires are stored on the land.

Charles Ferguson, a state environmental specialist who oversees solid waste for the district, said the cost shouldn't exceed \$60,000 if no elaborate contouring is needed and the county does the dirt work as offered.

Authority member Monroy Montes, a county commissioner, asked Ferguson how much longer the closure will take.

"We've been wrestling with this for a year and a half," Montes said.

Six months should finish the closure, Ferguson said. It must be completed by July 1, 1999.

Montes said the Authority may have to postpone raises for employees until the cost of the closure is determined. If it's as high as \$100,000, the coalition may need every dollar it has, he said.

Earlier in the meeting, Wright proposed either a 5 percent or a 9 percent raise for employees. With the authority's future uncertain and some major road construction projects starting in the area, Wright has lost one employee and may lose more, he said.

"Last year, they received their first annual raise since the authority was formed," he said. "Some had received individual increases or were moved up a

slot," Wright said.

He recommended a 9 percent, but Gary Jackson, an Authority board member and Ruidoso village manager, said it might be wiser to wait and determine an appropriate raise after Ruidoso has disengaged and the county and four villages are operating the authority on their own.

The difference between giving a 5 percent and 9 percent raise is \$29,000. The increase from existing wages would be \$44,000 for the higher amount, Montes noted. The authority payroll now is \$564,000.

The majority of the employees probably will leave the Authority when Ruidoso reclaims the garbage transfer station.

Wright said the county will not need the transfer station because with Ruidoso gone, its waste will drop by 50 to 75 percent.

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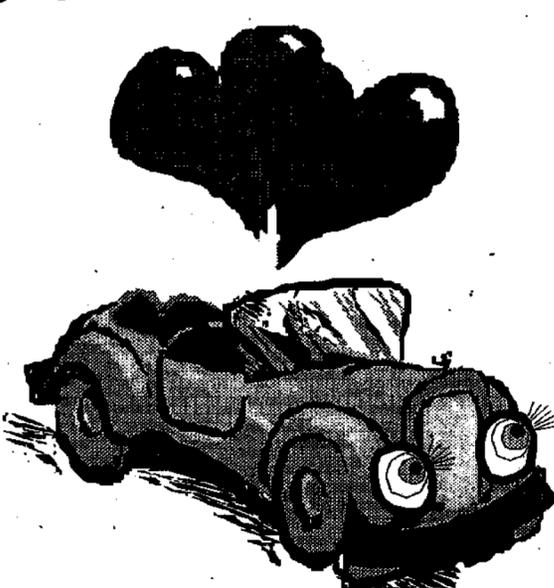


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Status of Mechem/Sudderth road construction still in limbo

State officials say work on State Road 48 will remain on hold until the contractor can supply the proper equipment and concrete mix.

BY TONI K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Road work on Mechem may resume as soon as this afternoon or as late as May 2, depending on when the contractor hired for the \$8.3 million job can meet state specifications.

Bill Loomis, project manager for Meadow Valley Contractors, Inc., said changes have been made to existing equipment, which he hopes to have certified by the state today. If so, then construction could resume this afternoon, he said.

Officials with the New Mexico Highway and Transportation Department say it could be early May before the contractor comes into compliance and work may resume.

"The fact that they're not ready to go is their problem. It's

their inefficiency and their fault. We want to work with them," said Steve Turner, project manager for the New Mexico Highway and Transportation Department.

Besides a proper laboratory for testing materials, Meadow Valley needs approval from the state for its concrete mix, Turner said Tuesday. The company's first submittal for a concrete mix design, to be used at the intersection of Sudderth and Mechem, was rejected by the department, Turner said.

Virginia Lorenz, district manager for the highway department, said late last week it would take at least two weeks for the company to acquire an approved mix design for concrete.

"So, they can't pour the concrete" until then, she said.

Last week, the entire project was put on hold by the state. Though state officials could not be reached for comment, Loomis at the time said the stop order was issued

because his company had a Type 1 lab for testing materials instead of the Type 2 lab required by the state.

The mobile laboratories are used to ensure construction materials such as dirt and concrete are of sufficient compaction and strength, respectively.

At the time, Loomis said the Type 2 lab differed very little from the Type 1 except for more floor space, different water capacity and a bathroom. On Tuesday, Loomis amended his earlier statement, saying neither lab had a bathroom, and that the labs differed in capabilities.

One of those differences is the labs' electrical power capacity. Lorenz said the labs must have sufficient power to operate ovens for testing construction materials.

"The lab has to accommodate the different testing equipment," she said. "We also have to have the proper equipment in place when they start to

make concrete cylinders."

The cylinders, Lorenz said, are tested to ensure the concrete's strength. The cylinders must be cured in a water bath at a certain temperature, Lorenz said. The lab also needs to have potable water as well as temperature controls, neither of which are available in the Type 1 lab, she said.

Turner said Meadow Valley should have been aware of the state's specifications.

"These labs have been used since 1994, so the contractor knew about this requirement well in advance of the project," Turner said. "This is not an overnight thing. We didn't have this problem with other contractors."

Turner said Meadow Valley officials, with earlier statements, were trying to make the state look bad by misrepresenting aspects of the job's specifications.

"They're trying to use public sentiment to circumvent specifications," Turner said.

"But that's not going to happen. We're concerned with quality. That is our No. 1 priority. Specifications cannot be disregarded for short cuts."

Turner said the contractors went "way ahead of themselves" on the project.

"I tried to reel them back but they didn't listen," he said.

Loomis said the company's current laboratory is being modified, including additional electrical power capacity.

"A state lab inspector was here (Tuesday)," Loomis said. Also, a representative from an independent firm, John Peti with National Calibration Inc., is to calibrate the equipment today, Loomis said.

"If everything goes well and the calibrations are done tomorrow and the lab gets certified, everything could get started up tomorrow afternoon (today)," Loomis said. "But that's an if."

A Type 2 lab has been ordered by Meadow Valleys. Loomis said the company sup-

plying the lab told him Tuesday it could be finished and installed by April 27. It will then take the highway department about a week to certify the lab, he said.

"But in the meantime, hopefully, we will be working out of the Type 1 lab," he said.

Crews to put in water lines are to be in Ruidoso today, he said, as well as an earth work crew and a concrete crew. "Everybody is ready to go," he said.

Surveying work is still being done by Meadow Valley because it is not dependent on testing, he said.

"There's nothing going on that requires testing. The power company was out there doing something and I think that's all," Loomis said. "But as far as any construction, I don't think there is any going on. In fact, I know there isn't."

"We are striving as hard as we can because we know that one day lost now is worth five in the rainy season."

SCHOOL MENUS

Sierra Vista School
Monday, April 27 - Breakfast: Cereal, milk, juice. Lunch: Pizza, tossed salad, fruit, Rice Krispy treat, fruit.
Tuesday, April 28 - Breakfast: Donut, milk, fruit. Lunch: Cheeseburger macaroni, green beans, roll, fruit, milk.
Wednesday, April 29 - Breakfast: Cereal, milk, fruit. Half Day.
Thursday, April 30 - Breakfast: Fruit muffin, milk, fruit. Lunch: Beef stew, cornbread,

salad, milk, fruit.
Friday, May 1 - Breakfast: Cereal, milk, juice. Lunch: Warrior Burger, oven fries, hamburger trimmings, fruit, milk.
White Mountain School
Monday, April 27 - Breakfast: Cereal, milk, juice. Lunch: Pizza, tossed salad, fruit, Rice Krispy treat, fruit.
Tuesday, April 28 - Breakfast: Turnover, milk, fruit. Lunch: Cheeseburger macaroni or Salisbury steak, green beans, roll, fruit, milk.

Wednesday, April 29 - Breakfast: Cereal, milk, fruit. Half Day.
Thursday, April 30 - Breakfast: Fruit muffin, milk, fruit. Lunch: Red beans & cornbread or beef tacos, tossed salad, fruit, milk.
Friday, May 1 - Breakfast: Cereal, milk, juice. Lunch: Warrior Burger, oven fries, hamburger trimmings, fruit, milk.

Ruidoso Middle School
Monday, April 27 - Break-

fast: Cereal, milk, juice. Lunch: Foot long cheese dog, baked beans, tossed salad, fruit.
Tuesday, April 28 - Breakfast: French toast sticks, milk, fruit. Lunch: Hot ham & cheese sandwich, tater tots, salad, fruit.
Wednesday, April 29 - Breakfast: Cereal, milk, fruit. Half Day.
Thursday, April 30 - Breakfast: Turnover, milk, fruit. Lunch: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, green beans, garlic

bread, tossed salad, cherry cobbler.
Friday, May 1 - Breakfast: Cereal, milk, juice. Lunch: Cheese enchiladas, spicy pinto beans, tossed salad, fruit.
Ruidoso High School
Monday, April 27 - Breakfast: Cereal, milk, juice. Lunch: Foot long chili cheese dog, baked beans, tossed salad, fruit.
Tuesday, April 28 - Breakfast: Churro, milk, fruit. Lunch: Hot ham & cheese sandwich,

tater tots, salad, fruit.
Wednesday, April 29 - Breakfast: Cereal, milk, juice. Half Day.
Thursday, April 30 - Breakfast: jelly filled donut, milk, fruit. Lunch: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, green beans, garlic bread, tossed salad, cherry cobbler.
Friday, May 1 - Breakfast: Cereal, milk, juice. Lunch: Cheese enchiladas, spicy pinto beans, tossed salad, fruit.

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Scoreboard

MONDAY & TUESDAY

GOLF
Leroy Gooch Invitational
Class AAAA Girls Team Results
1) Clovis, 750; 2) Carlsbad, 759; 3) Hobbs, 765; 4) Farmington, 816; 5) Gallup, 934; 7) Oñate, 1007.
Class A-AAA Girls Team Results
1) Socorro, 769; 2) Portales, 771; 3) Ruidoso, 772; 4) Grants, 807; 5) Hot Springs, 846; 6) St. Michaels, 857; 7) Raton, 964.
Class AAAA Boys Team Results
1) Carlsbad, 617; 2) Clovis, 626; 3) Goddard, 632; 4) Hobbs, 635; 5) Farmington, 636; 6) Alamogordo, 648; 7) Oñate, 677; 8) Mayfield, 678; 9) Roswell, 682; 10) Gallup, 684; 11) Las Cruces, 688; 12) Gadsden, 789.
Class A-AAA Boys Team Results
1) Los Alamos, 625; 2) Ruidoso, 642; 3) Socorro, 655; 4) Raton, 658; 5) NMMI, 668; 6) Artesia, 669; 7) Grants, 674; 8) Hot Springs, 676; 9) Sandia Prep, 678; 10) Lovington, 690; 11) Clondcroft, 707; 12) Portales, 740; 13) St. Michaels, 762.
Class A-AAA Girls Individual Leaders
1) Danielle Harthorn, Portales, 171; 2) Devon Lowe, Ruidoso, 177; 3) Felisa Lopez, NMMI, 183.
Class A-AAA Boys Individual Leaders
1) Miguel Greigo, Socorro, 146 (won in playoff); 2) Paul Kindsfather, Los Alamos, 146; 3) Ben Andrews, Ruidoso, 150.

SATURDAY, APRIL 18

SOFTBALL
Silver 16, Ruidoso 2
Tracer 15, Ruidoso 4
TRACK
Ruidoso Invitational Track Meet
* Girls Team Totals
1. Ruidoso, 141
2. Hobbs, 84
3. Artesia, 60
4. Las Cruces, 59
5. Hot Springs, 12
* Boys Team Totals
1. Artesia, 170
2. Ruidoso, 102
3. Hobbs, 88
4. Las Cruces, 34
5. Hot Springs, 24

TUESDAY, APRIL 14

SOFTBALL
Ruidoso 12, Hot Springs 6

On deck

THURSDAY
Softball - Cobre at Ruidoso, 3 p.m.
Eagle Creek Sports Complex.
Tennis - Lovington at Ruidoso, 3 p.m. at Ruidoso Municipal Tennis Court and Ruidoso Middle School.

FRIDAY
Track - Ruidoso at Artesia Invitational, 3 p.m. Capitan at Slade Relays in Tularosa, 3 p.m.
Softball - Ruidoso at Cobre (DH) in Bayard.

SATURDAY
Rodeo - Lincoln County Rodeo Club clinic, 9 a.m. with books closing at 8:30 a.m. for roping events, 9:30 a.m. for calf, steer and bull riding, and 11:30 a.m. for speed events.
Senior Olympics - Golf, 1 p.m. The Links at Sierra Blanca.

MONDAY
Golf - Ruidoso boys and girls at Dona Ana Country in Las Cruces, Picacho Hills Country Club.

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. Twenty-seven classes are offered with each session running a half day. Some of the classes offered include: firearms, firearms safety, fly fishing, basic map and compass, nature photography, camp cooking, basic backpacking and wildlife identification. 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.

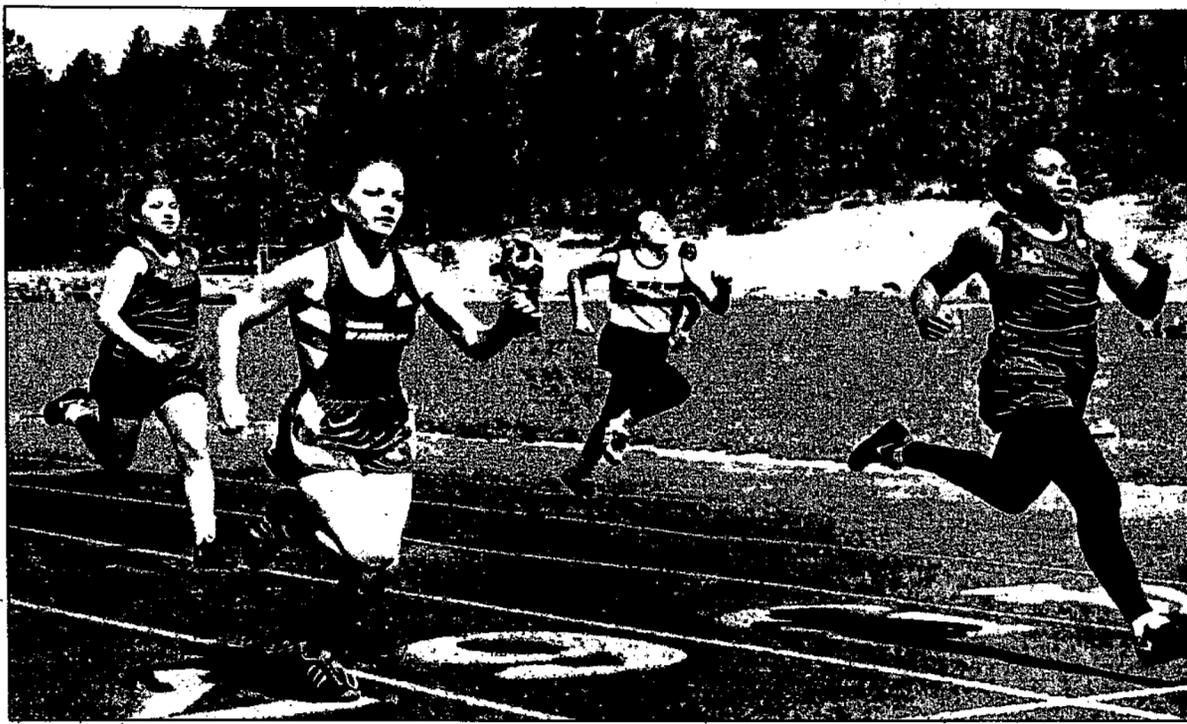
Fishing report

Ruidoso River flows are stable and clear at present. The regular nymph selections are working well.
Bonito Lake has been off and on. Varied flies producing well at times.
Bonito River flows are excellent. Fishing has been sporadic at the following flies: baetis and caddis nymphs and some dries.
Grindstone Reservoir lake is exceptionally high. Calm evenings have been productive with dry flies. Varied patterns, temperature indicative of insect hatch.
Hurd Ranch flows are good, but muddier now than before. Some streamers and egg patterns may produce.
Lake Mesalero level has dropped considerably. The release has been stopped for the time being. No boats yet.
Evening risers increasing daily.
Closed waters include: Eagle Lakes, Silver Lake and Upper Canyon on the reservation.

Mike Hyman
Ruidoso River Association

Correction

The Ruidoso girls golf player pictured in the April 15 issue of The Ruidoso News was incorrectly identified as Monica Keyes. The player should have been identified as senior Leslea Gerth. The Ruidoso News regrets the error.



Freshman Mindy Brunell did her part to help the Ruidoso girls win the Ruidoso Invitational team title with a fifth-place finish in the 100-meter dash and fifth-place showing in the 200-meter dash.

Warriors finish one-two at invite

BY LAURA CLYMER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

The Ruidoso track teams landed a one-two punch to visiting teams from Truth or Consequences, Hobbs, Artesia and Las Cruces Saturday.

The Warrior girls, behind a complete team effort, easily outdistanced Hobbs for the Ruidoso Invitational team title with 141 points to the Eagles' 84.

A feisty Ruidoso boys team pushed past Hobbs for second-place in the boys final team standings. A strong, well-balanced Artesia boys team ran away with the team laurels with 170 points.

"I thought the kids did a very good job," coach Ronnie Maskew said. "I didn't have any complaints about effort at all. Almost everybody had a good day."

Two Ruidoso girls eclipsed the state qualifying standards in their events, and a Warrior relay also met the standard to qualify for the state meet.

Amber Green qualified in three events - long jump, triple jump and the 200-meter dash - en route to two golds and a silver.

Senior Mandi Lewallen will go the state meet by virtue of her first-place performance in the 100-meter high hurdles. Lewallen ran a 16.49 in the finals.

Lewallen and Green joined Priscilla Rojas and Jessica Daniels to run a 51.84 in the 400-meter relay, which was second to the Hobbs but

good enough for a trip to state.

But overshadowing the fine individual performances was the total team effort from the Warriors.

"We don't have a lot of girls, but we have a lot of girls who participate in a lot of events," Maskew said. "I just think we have some girls who are pretty good quality."

Maskew noted the performances of throwers Tawyna Heineken and Abby Figueroa, who both came through in the shot put.

"Our field events are picking up and giving us some added depth," Maskew said.

Complementing the Warrior girls were the boys, who earned the praise of Maskew.

"I thought the boys did extremely well," said Maskew, noting that Artesia is one of Class AAA's toughest teams.

Thomas Schiele was the lone Warrior boy to qualify for the state meet in the triple jump. Schiele set a school record in the event with an effort of 42 feet, 1 1/4 inches.

Schiele also scored in the long jump (third place), pole vault (second place) and ran a leg in Ruidoso's 400-meter relay, which posted its fastest



Jumper Thomas Schiele landed in the record books.

time of the season (44.67).
"We had consistent performances all day - nothing outstanding just really consistent," Maskew said.

Ruidoso's second state qualifying meet is Friday at the Artesia Invitational. Lovington, Portales, NMMI and Socorro round out the guest list.

Ruidoso Invitational results

GIRLS SCORES
LONG JUMP-1. Amber Green (R), 16-7.75* 2. Angela Cabrera (H), 15-9 3. Lajsha Cleaver (H), 15-2.5 4. Christine Waddell (HS), 14-3.5 5. Leandra Mackey (H), 14-1.75 6. Parker (A), 14-1.75
TRIPLE JUMP-1. Lajsha Cleaver (H), 35-2.25 2. Amber Green (R), 33-9.75 3. Monique Rosenzweig (H), 33-4.75 4. Angela Cabrera (H), 32-10.5 5. Leah Miller (R), 31-3.5
DISCUS-1. Sina Herrera (R), 103-1.5 2. Crystal Fields (H), 97-11 3. Tawyna Heineken (R), 91-4 4. Abby Figueroa (R), 88-0 5. Akerson, A. (LC), 81-0 6. Rutherford (A), 81-3
400 M DASH-1. A Dutchover (LC), 1:04.11 2. Jayme Paxton (R), 1:05.94 3. Erica Romero (R), 1:07.25 4. April Figueroa (R), 1:08.34 5. M. Mitchell (LC), 1:10.35 6. K. Grant (H), 1:15.55
300 M HURDLES-1. Boneau (A), 51.14 2. Kammi Sparks (R) 51.19 3. B. Baxley (LC), 54.71 4. Lily Huerta (H), 55.74 5. Esquilba (A), 56.04 6. Elizabeth Miller (R), 57.36
800 M DASH-1. Erica Romero (R), 2:40.02 2. Kali Veieto (H), 2:41.52 3. Sundae Ehwel (R), 3:03.22 4. Huttanus (A), 3:19.64 5. Carmen Filosa (HS), 3:25.29
SHOT PUT-1. Trina Heckard (H), 35-3.5 2. Rutherford (A), 32-9.5 3. Tawyna Heineken (R), 31-4 4. Akerson, A. (LC), 30-7.5 5. Abby Figueroa (R), 29-1 6. Joania Burgess (H), 28-9 7. Lamie, R. (LC), 27-5
HIGH JUMP-1. Chambers (A), 5'-0 2. Smith (A), 5'-0 3. Kammi Sparks (R), 4'-10
400 M RELAY-1. Hobbs, 50.31 2. Ruidoso, 51.84 (Lewallen, Rojas, Daniels, Green) 3. Artesia, 52.03 4. Las Cruces, 53.82 5. Hot Springs, 1:07.84
100 M HURDLES-1. Mandi Lewallen (R), 16.49* 2. Boneau (A), 17.53 3. Kammi Sparks (R), 18.25 4. Abalos, M. (LC), 18.46 5. Lard (A), 18.89 6. Waddell, C. (HS), 18.91 7. Esquilba (A), 19.13
100 M DASH-1. Mathews (A), 12.41 2. Glenda Mackey (H), 12.43 3. Priscilla Rojas (R), 13.12 4. Nolas, A. (LC), 13.25 5. Mindy Brunell (R), 13.53 6. L. Mackey (H), 13.55
1600 M RUN-1. T. Elder (LC), 6:01.46 2. Tamara Mackey (H), 6:03.33 3. E. Villa (LC), 6:08.49
4. Lori George (R), 6:23.22 5. Felicia Frizzell (R), 6:49.58 6. Sundae Ehwel (R), 6:57.58 7. Shetterly (A), 7:04.19
800 M RELAY-1. Hobbs, 1:50.35 2. Ruidoso, 1:51.00 3. Las Cruces, 2:01.30 4. Hot Springs, 2:25.69
MEDLEY RELAY-1. Las Cruces, 4:49.68 2. Ruidoso, 5:04.26
200 M DASH-1. Amber Green (R) 25.45* 2. Mathews (A), 25.60 3. Smith (A), 27.90 4. Leandra Mackey (H), 28.53 5. Mindy Brunell (R), 28.58 6. Carrera (A), 28.85
3200 M RUN-1. T. Elder (LC), 13:03.87 2. Erica Romero (R), 13:04.24 3. Felicia Frizzell (R) 14:28.48 4. Tamara Mackey (H), 15:05.45
1600 M RELAY-1. Ruidoso, 4:17.28 (Green, Rojas, Paxton, Daniels)
BOYS SCORES
LONG JUMP-1. Lucero, C. (HS), 20-11.75 2. Jake Rogers (A), 19-11.5 3. Thomas Schiele (R), 19-5.5 4. C. Saenz (R), 19-3.5 5. Ora Ray Welch (H), 18-5 6. Cruz, S. (LC), 18-25
TRIPLE JUMP-1. Thomas Schiele (R), 42-1.25* ** 2. Solomon Barnett (R), 39-3.5 3. Decker, B. (A), 38-3 4. Ora Ray Welch (H), 37-6
HIGH JUMP-1. Jake Rogers (A), 6-3 2. Livingston (A), 5-9
POLE VAULT-1. Seth Bush (A), 13-6 2. Thomas Schiele (R), 12-0 3. Sanchez, L. (HS), 10-6 4. Thatcher, L. (HS), 10-0 5. Smith, M. (LC), 10-0
JAVELIN-1. Seth Bush (A), 152-9 2. Arthur Miller (R), 150-9 3. Adam Worley (A), 149-8 4. Toby Williford (H), 132-9 5. Nolan Riley (A), 129-11 6. Chris Parsons (R), 109-7
SHOT PUT-1. Marc West (A), 46-11.5 2. Jose Martinez (A), 45-4 3. Jeremy Vaughn (H), 41-11.5 4. Bobby Allen (HS), 41-11 5. Michael Arango (A), 41-6 6. B. Cook (H), 40-7
DISCUS-1. Kennemur (A), 129-3.5 2. A. Miller (R), 129-1
400 M RELAY-1. Hobbs, 42.37 2. Artesia, 43.35 3. Ruidoso, 44.67 (Grant, Schiele, Saenz, Barnett) 4. Hot Springs, 46.15
110 M HURDLES-1. Charles Maupin (A), 16.12 2. Josh Sanchez (A), 18.87 3. Tucker, J. (LC), 19.93 4. Phillip Russell (R), 20.09 5. Chris Parsons (R), 20.29
100 M DASH-1. A. Kennemur (A), 11.37 2. Neil Collins (H), 11.55 3. Hille, W. (LC), 11.68 4. Garvin Grant (R), 11.70 5. Rhodes, M. (LC), 11.76 6. Quarrell, E. (LC), 11.84
1600 M RUN-1. Fabian Gutierrez (H), 4:54.85 2. Dabert Comanche (R), 4:59.96 3. Micerwitz (LC), 5:00.33 4. Patrick Haynes (A), 5:04.51 5. Eric Flores (R), 5:08.24 6. Collin May (R), 5:14.63
800 M RELAY-1. Hobbs, 1:28.53 2. Artesia, 1:31.27 3. Ruidoso, 1:35.07 4. Las Cruces, 1:37.99 5. Hot Springs, 1:40.71
400 M DASH-1. Josh Seed (A), 51.82 2. Kerry Mackey (H), 52.28 3. Grant Taylor (A), 54.01 4. Erskine Clay (H), 55.59 5. J. Wiziak (A), 56.38 6. L. Thatcher (LC), 58.73
300 M HURDLES-1. David Rogers (A), 41.45 2. Jason Decker (A), 42.25 3. Bryan Brindler (A), 43.92 4. Phillip Russell (R), 45.37 5. J. Tucker (LC), 47.96
800 M DASH-1. Eric Flores (R), 2:11.84 2. Brett Boneau (A), 2:13.84 3. Michael Box (H), 2:14.52 4. Fabian Gutierrez (R), 2:16.25 5. Casey Crandell (A), 2:18.48 6. E. Macherwitz (LC), 2:20.40
MEDLEY RELAY-1. Artesia, 3:57.6 2. Hobbs, 4:00.79 3. Las Cruces, 4:06.75 4. Ruidoso, 4:29.19
200 M DASH-1. Matt Bailey (A), 22.64 2. Micheal Sifuentes (A), 22.87 3. Solomon Barnett (R), 23.30
3200 M RUN-1. Dabert Comanche (R), 10:59.18 2. Collin May (R), 11:21.22 3. Marco Ramirez (H), 11:36.52 4. Roy Hough (R), 12:05.32 5. Clay Brown (A), 12:10.33 6. Andrew Schwartz (H), 12:40.60
1600 M RELAY-1. Hobbs, 3:23.10 2. Artesia, 3:28.01 3. Ruidoso, 3:51.16
* indicates state qualifying mark
** indicates school record

RHS, Cobre battle for state bid

BY LAURA CLYMER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Ruidoso's girls bid to continue their softball season into the post-season hinges on its performance against Cobre Thursday and Friday.

The Warriors, 4-10 overall and 2-3 in district play, meet the second-place Cobre Indians for three games in two days.

Thursday's game is set for 3 p.m. at Eagle Creek Sports Complex. Then Friday, the Warriors head west to meet the Indians on their home turf for a doubleheader in Bayard.

Whoever wins at least two of the three has the inside track on the district's runner-up spot. Only the district's top two teams advance to the Girls State Softball Tournament.

"The winner of this series will be the one going to the state playoffs," second-year coach Brian Baca said Tuesday. "I do feel con-

fident that if we play well we have a chance to move up to the second spot."

If the Warriors were to accomplish that goal, then they would have to follow it up with sweep of Hot Springs on April 30 and a sweep of Santa Teresa May 2.

"We need to not have a let down against those other schools, too," Baca added.

Silver sweeps Blue and Gold

Despite losing two games to district-leading Silver on Saturday, 16-2 and 15-4, coach Baca found plenty of positives to talk about.

"I was real pleased with the performance. We had probably our best defensive game," Baca said.

"I'm especially pleased with our outfield play. They moved well and made some good catches."

The Warriors were without freshman ace pitcher Crystal Gheer, who was sidelined with eye problems.

Sophomore Tiffany Harris, who handled the pitching chores last year, assumed her old position on the mound for Ruidoso.

"The girls rallied around Tiffany, and they played even harder. That shows their maturity and how far they have come," Baca said.

In addition to playing the leather better, Baca said Ruidoso put the ball in play with its bats.

Earlier in the season, the Warriors were striking out too much, Baca said. Saturday was different.

"We were making them make a play," Baca said. "Overall, as a whole team we're contacting the ball."

Baca attributes the improved Warrior batting attack to practice where the players rotate through a number of hitting stations, including live batting practice.



Ruidoso pitcher Tiffany Harris runs down a pop up while first baseman April Tegada readies for back up.



Shane Hoffman, a fourth grader, does a rope traverse over Cedar Creek.



Sgt. Victor Martinez and Staff Sgt. Thomas Chavez secure the ropes for White Mountain Elementary students to do a slide over Cedar Creek.



Brian Chavez, also in the fourth grade, walks a rope bridge over Cedar Creek.

Climbing to confidence

BY ELAINE HOBBS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

White Mountain Elementary School third and fourth grade students are participating in survival exercises this week at Cedar Creek with some help from the Army and Air National Guard stationed at Kirtland Air Force Base.

The exercises are part of a program under the guard's Counter Drug Support Task Force that combines the two branches of Army and Air Force to teach self esteem and counter drug abuse among young people all over New Mexico, Staff Sgt. Steven Lounsbury of the Air National Guard said.

Two sessions per day are being conducted this week Monday through Friday by Sgt. Victor Martinez, lead rappel master from the Army National Guard; Staff Sgt. Paul Cook, the non-commissioned officer in charge of drug demand reduction, Air National Guard; Staff Sgt. Thomas Chavez, Air National Guard; and Lounsbury.

Kids are first given gloves, hard hats and rappelling harnesses and shown the basics of traversing a rope over Cedar Creek and walking a rope bridge, which consists of an upper and lower rope tied parallel to each other and secured to two trees.

Then they try it themselves, secured with carabiners to a safety rope and spotted by guardsmen. Others are shown how to do a slide on a rope tied between two trees over the creek.

Principal Frank Canella said he asked the guardsmen to bring the program to White Mountain students because it is a good confidence builder for kids and also because the guardsmen can be good male role models for them.

The guardsmen said they first give a talk about drug abuse and show kids this is one way to do something else and stay out of drugs. Lounsbury said they teach several different classes under the task force and also conduct a number of youth camps.



Staff Sgt. Paul Cook of the Air National Guard gives a briefing to Nan Wierwille's fourth grade students on the survival exercises they are about to do at Cedar Creek.



Staff Sgt. Paul Cook helps fourth grader Travis Ingles do a slide over Cedar Creek.

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Portales
Wednesday, April 29
Memorial Building - Auditorium
200 East 7th St.
4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Clovis
Thursday, April 30
Clovis High School - Cafeteria
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BY DAN STORM
COLUMNIST

Little Juanita arrives in the vale

On April 15, birthday of our brother John, a favorite golden-colored young cow named Gingerbread Girl was all by herself on what we call "the Knoll," an oval-shaped level spot at the foot of Storm Mountain.

Beside Gingerbread Girl lay her first calf, red body and snow-white head, shining in the bright sun beaming down on the green meadow.

The next day a few cows — grown, yearlings and calves — were feeding out in front of the house. Then here came gingerbread Girl followed by her newborn calf, so tiny on comparison with the other cows that she seemed like a walking toy.

Arriving among the small herd of giants, the calf let out a loud bawl wither tiny voice — "Blaaa!" After a minute or so, he started butting heads with an older calf who, playing a little rough, sent her sprawling. Up she jumped and came back into the head-butting game, which the older calf soon tired of and walked away.

Whereupon the new calf went running round and round her mother, much as to say: "Look at me, I won!" Since Gingerbread's first calf was born on brother John's birthday, why not call her Juanita, Spanish for Janie or Little Johnnie?

The new calves seem to be even more full of life than usual. It seems there's a new vitality, new life all through the air. You can feel it.

Snow flakes on blossoms

Winter returned for a day on the 17th with snow flakes flying in from every direction — mainly from the east.

At midday Gingerbread Girl was out grazing away among the driving snow flakes. And where was Juanita? There: right next to the east wall of the old garage under a cedar bush, out of the wind and with a cedar roof catching the falling snow.

On the 18th the temperature went down to 28, and in the early morning before sun-up Juanita was out running and prancing on the upper end of Blue Bird Meadow, while her mother grazed close by.

Today on the 19th, it was 24 degrees in the early morning and here was a film of ice on the bird-watering stand.

However, the pear and apple blooms and buds came smiling through.

The Mountain Blue Bird

Now it is one o'clock and the temperature is 69, and the mountain blue bird, the messenger of happiness, has arrived at his favorite tree, the large apricot just west of the flag pole, where the early breeze is rippling our colors.

Let us be grateful to our Lord and help others be thankful.

Spotlight



Courtesy
Tim Rich is the new 11th District Deputy Grand Masonic Master, and past master of Ruidoso Masonic Lodge No. 73.



Sally Canning is just 5 feet tall, but she's a voracious

Weed-eater

whose battle with water-stealers on the range is making a big difference in the landscape north of the Capitan Gap.

BY LAURA CLYMER
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Sally Canning has a front yard and back yard most would envy. It spreads for thousands of acres in either direction from her ranch house, located north of the Capitan Gap.

Like any other homeowner, Canning has her battles with weeds. Canning's weeds, however, often loom 10 to 20 feet above the five-foot-tall Lincoln County native. The prolific plants sprout everywhere, in an almost a never-ending cycle, and they come in forms of everything from smallish ground covers to thistle to one-seeded juniper trees to piñons. Indeed, they are everywhere.

No, this isn't a scene from "Attack of the Giant Killer Thistle."

Rather, it's more of a sequel to a documentary about land management and how ranchers are trying to return the lands to the green pastures that once were.

Born to tug

"I loved to sit and pull weeds," Canning recalls about her childhood.

So it doesn't take much of a leap some 40 years later to find Canning doing much the same — plucking, spraying, mowing, hoeing and bulldozing weeds on her parents' ranch, the Block Ranch, one of Lincoln County's largest spreads.

Canning spent her college days at Texas A & M studying how to grow plants, rather than eradicate them. She graduated with a bachelor of science degree in plant science, specializing in greenhouses, native plants and fruits and nuts.

That's still the case. Canning has a small orchard with apple, cherry and peach trees and garden beds full of flowers surrounding her ranch house.

But her interest in plant life has taken a turn, of sorts, over the last seven years.

"My specialty has grown more to killing plants," she notes with an ironic smile.

Canning became a believer when she heard of fellow Lincoln County rancher Sid Goodloe's techniques of controlled burning, thinning of trees and brush control.

Goodloe's point of view helped Canning see something different when she looked at her family's land.

"What I didn't realize was that I was looking at thousands of acres of weeds," Canning says.

Armed with her plant science degree and zealous about her new cause, Canning became the Block Ranch's land manager in 1992 at the request of her father.

Why? Because three major concerns for ranchers are erosion control, water surface quality and watershed quality.

"The majority of the plants we have trouble with are not from here," Canning says.

These are known as noxious plants. Noxious plants are not native, and they have a tendency to be detri-

mental environmen- tally, economically or socially.

One such noxious plant is the musk thistle, another is the stinging nettle.

"If you walked into it (stinging nettle), you would spend the evening very, very unhappy," she says.

Landowners, and ranchers, must decide if they can tolerate a noxious plant, or if they want to control it and get rid of it.

That pesky piñon

What makes what Canning does a sticky issue is that piñon is a native plant.

"Our main battle here is piñon. They take all the water out of the soil. Then, the rains will wash the soils away and the winds will blow the soil away and we'll be down to rock," Canning explains. "There's nothing to slow the water down."

"A rancher must consider a multitude of issues concerning land. You have to look at a million different things that the environment has to sustain, such as water, soil, nutrients, animal impact, human impact. One of the factors is plant growth," she says. "The land can sustain only so much."

Canning's current efforts affect about 1,000 acres of the Block Ranch. Chunks of some 200 acres each are in different stages of Canning's long-range goal of removing the dense brush and bringing back the pasture lands that existed on the ranch decades ago.

Canning has pictures to guide her and history on her side. A former pasture located due west of her ranch house once was the homestead of bean farmer Pat Coor. Coor's bean field had to have water somewhere, but now there is no trace of such a water flow, Canning notes.

Brush control removed the junipers, which had taken over the bean field, and returned the field to



Sally Canning atop her weed-eater of choice, a Cat bulldozer, which she uses to mow down junipers.



Canning surveys her handiwork — the slash from a cleared pasture that is ready for a controlled burn.

grass lands, which in turn help rebuild the watershed.

"We're looking to replenish the watershed not only for the plants but for humans," Canning says.

Scalpel, please

Canning uses Goodloe's analogy of surgery to describe what she does to the land. Surgery is needed when something is broken internally, even though on the surface everything looks OK. Surgery requires a cut into the skin (or ground in this case) and leaves a scar that takes time to heal. It could take up to 10 years for a 300-acre tract of land to return to a healthier state. First Canning and her crew has to thin out the trees, cutting down the unhealthy ones and chemically removing the very young ones.

For the other trees, Canning's weed eater of choice is a Cat bulldozer that she can turn on a dime and still give five cents change. She selects which trees will stay and which will get dozed. The bulldozer can't reach certain parts of the land, especially the rocky areas. And the bulldozer isn't the best method for fragile tracts of land where Canning wants to preserve certain ecosystems, but she can make quick work of a patch of junipers with the multi-ton machine.

What can be used of the fallen trees for firewood is removed and the remaining slash — the smaller branches — is either piled or strewn across the pasture.

Then, Canning must wait two years until the slash and stumps dry out before starting a controlled burn. Even then conditions must be perfect for the burn; too much wind or humidity will extinguish plans for a burn.

Forest fires, which used to be feared and suppressed, are nature's way of returning nutrients to the ground.

"She (Mother Nature) said she wanted to burn every seven years," Canning says.

Canning's philosophy is plant removal for the sake of plants. The return of gramma

grass benefits not only the rancher's livestock, but also supports the watershed, she says.

Her work extends beyond the barbed wire of Block Ranch.

Canning has consulted for homeowners who want to get rid of certain noxious plants from their yards.

One client had a back yard full of musk thistle and numerous gophers to boot. The client wanted Canning to remove the gophers. Canning did so by wiping out the thistle first — the gophers left on their own free will soon afterward in search of other thistle to munch.

"I take away bad plants. Some of those bad plants are nice plants; they are just in the wrong place," Canning says.

► Canning's hit list

Here are the most range-damaging plants Sally Canning battles:

- One-seeded juniper — Drinks lots of water. Kind of like goldfish — a few are nice; 4,000 are too many. Good firewood, fencing material.
- Alligator juniper — Another heavy water consumer, it's excellent firewood.
- Piñon — Its root system can out-compete smaller plants. Excellent firewood and producer of a native culinary delight, piñon nuts.
- Elm — Called by Canning the soon-to-be biggest No. 1 invader, it gulps water along stream beds.
- And Musk thistle, Canada thistle, Jimson weed.



The long-range goal of brush control is gramma grass.

SOCIAL CALENDAR

Entries may be submitted by mail, fax - 257-7053, or brought in to the office at the Ruddoso News, 104 Park Ave.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

MUSIC

Dance With Love Star Express 8-12 p.m., April 25 at the Captain Fair-ground Building. \$3 admission, all ages welcome.

Blues And Country At The Galloping Tortoise 3 p.m., Saturday Blues Jam. 6 p.m., Sunday Country Jam with Pat McCarthy and Randy Jones.

Blues At The Texas House Live entertainment Fridays and Saturdays, open from 7 a.m. to 12 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 24 hours Friday and Saturday and until 10 p.m. Sundays. Also Blues Sundays. For more information call 257-3506.

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Young Children's Fair 10 a.m.-2 p.m., April 25 at Walmart. Bring your children for fun activities. Come and learn about community agencies which provide services to young children. For more information contact Likis at 257-2368 or Cathy at 257-3157.

Dona Ana Doll Club Show/Sale 10 a.m.-3 p.m., May 2 at the Las Cruces Hilton, 125 Lohman exit. Admission \$2. For more information call 505-524-7338.

New Mexico State Forestry Seventh Annual Lincoln County Conservation Days 9:15 a.m.-2:30 p.m., April 23-24. If Questions please call Lynn Hutchison at 354-2231.

Inn Boutique Fashion Show 8 p.m., April 23, at the Mescalero Inn Nightclub. Free admission, open to ages 16 and over. Doors open at 7 p.m. 505-257-5141.

Barrel Race 2 p.m., April 26 at La Feliz Montana Ranch, Hwy. 380 between Lincoln and Honda.

Books open at 1 p.m. and start at 2 p.m. 3-D format. Open - \$30, Youth-\$20, Exhibition-\$3. For more information call 505-648-2958.

Living With Crisis: Who We Are, How We Grieve 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., April 22 at ENMU. \$10 fee payable to Hospice of Lincoln County includes book and refreshments. \$15 fee payable to Hospice Foundation of America for 3 cds.

Magician Bennett Dismant's Show Play 2 at Flying J Ranch. Door opens at 5:30 p.m., gunfight at 6:15 p.m. with dinner and show at 6:30 p.m. Adults \$14, children 4-12 \$7.50. Tickets available at Lincoln County Medical, Desert Sky Health Foods, Family Practice Associates and 3-Bar D Age Hardware (Captain).

Kindergarten Registration And Preschool Developmental Screening For Children Birth Thru Five Years Old All parents should bring immunization records, social security numbers and Medicaid cards if your child is on Medicaid. Birth certificates will be required for all children registering for kindergarten and applying for Medicaid. Families wishing to apply for Medicaid will also need income and residence verification from the past 30 days. Ruddoso-Nob Hill Ecc-April 24, 9am-2pm Corona Elementary-April 30, 10am-12pm

New Phone Number For Red Cross The telephone number for the Chaves County Red Cross which serves both Chaves and Lincoln Counties will be a toll free number for all persons needing service. The new number is: 1-888-622-4370.

Notice Of State Engineer Sub-Office Hours In Ruddoso 9 a.m. to 12 noon, every first and third Tuesday of each month at the Ruddoso Village Hall, 313 Cree Meadows Drive.

Poetry Readings At The Magic Mushroom's Experience Shop 7 p.m., 1st and 3rd Saturday of every month. Come to read or come to listen. All welcome. 1407 Sudderth, Ruddoso.

Corona Sunday Mass 6 p.m. St. Joseph Apache Mission Pastor: Father Tom Herbst, Pastor. Sunday Mass: 9:45 a.m.; Sunday Mass: 6 p.m.; Sunday Mass: 8 a.m.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Rev. Father Tom Herbst, Pastor. Sunday Mass: 6 p.m.; Sunday Mass: 8 a.m.

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Hill and Gavilan Canyon Road. Rev. James M. Smith, Pastor. Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m.; Chancel Choir: Wednesday 7 p.m.

First Baptist Church Carrizozo. Hayden Smith, Pastor. Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.; Sunday worship: 11 a.m.; 7:15 p.m.; Church training: 6:30 p.m. Sunday

First Baptist Church 420 Mechem Drive, Ruddoso. Tim Gilliland, Pastor. Sunday. Contemporary praise & worship 8:30 a.m.; Bible study/Sunday school 9:30 a.m.; traditional worship 11 a.m.; evening prayer and worship 6 p.m.; Wednesday prayer and discipleship time 6:30 p.m.; Youth Bible study & fellowship 6:30 p.m.

First Baptist Church Ruddoso Downs. David Jordan, Pastor. Sunday. General assembly 9:30 a.m.; worship hour 11 a.m.; Sunday school 9:30 a.m.; Evening worship 6 p.m.; Wednesday: Prayer meeting 6:30 p.m.

Basilia Bautista Vida Eterna 420 Mechem Drive. Luis F. Gomez, Pastor. Domingos: Escuela Dominical 10 a.m.; Culto de Predicacion, 11 a.m.; Culto de Predicacion 6 p.m. Miércoles: Estudio Bíblico 7 p.m.

Mescalero Baptist Mission Mescalero. Sunday. Sunday school 10 a.m.; Worship 11 a.m.; 7:15 p.m.; Training union 6:30 p.m. Wednesday services 6:30 p.m.

Ruddoso Baptist Church 126 Church Drive, Palmer Gateway. Wayne Joyce, Pastor. Randal Widener, Associate Pastor. Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.; Sunday worship: 10:45 a.m.; 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible study: 7 p.m.

Trinity Southern Baptist Church Captain (south on Highway 48). 354-2235. Rev. Berneford. Pastor. Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.; Sunday Worship: 11 a.m.; AWANA Wed. 6:30 p.m.

St. Eleanor Catholic Church Ruddoso. 257-2330. Reverend Richard Cazanach. Sacrament of Penance: Sat. 8:30 p.m. or by appointment; Saturday Mass: 6 p.m.; Holy Eucharist: 11:30 a.m. (Bilingual); Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat. 4:30 p.m. Sunday Mass: St. Jude Thaddeus, San Patricio: 8 a.m.

Sacred Heart Catholic Church Captain. 354-9102. Saturday Mass: 5 p.m.; Sunday Mass: 9 a.m.; Monday Adult Bible Study: 6 p.m.

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Intergalactic Explorations: Summer Science in the Mountains Camp For 7th And 8th Graders June 22-26 & July 6-17 in the Southcentral Mountains of New Mexico. For more information call 505-257-2120.

St. Jude Trail Ride 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., April 25 at the Bonito Stables. Contact Brenda Pope for more information 354-2616.

The Territorial Theater of Captain Acting Workshops 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m., Tuesdays at the theater located at 320 S. Lincoln Avenue in Captain. Initially, the workshops will be limited to adults, though later workshops will be provided for young people. Contact Virginia Jones at 354-2316 or Paul Adamian at 257-4874 for more information.

Department Of Labor Office Closed The Department of Labor office in the Income Support Division building at 101 5th Street in Ruddoso will be closed every Wednesday and Friday afternoon temporarily. Regular hours will be 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, and 8 a.m. - noon on Wednesday and Friday.

Stress Management Class Mondays at 4 p.m. at the Counseling Center 1707 Sudderth. This class is free and open to the public.

The Lincoln County Rural Development Through Tourism Council Meeting 2 p.m., April 27 at the Northwest Bank Community Room in Carrizozo. For additional information, call Betty McCright at 505-648-2311.

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or 354-3104. Meet With Staff Members of U.S. Senator Pete V. Domenici 10 a.m.-11 a.m., April 30 at the Village Hall in the Council Room in Ruddoso Downs. Anyone who is experiencing difficulty with a federal agency who would like senator Domenici's assistance is welcome.

Ruddoso Municipal School District's Girl-Old Program Advisory Committee Meeting 5 p.m., May 6 at the Administration Building 200 Horton Circle. The public is invited. For more details call Paul Wirth at 257-4051.

Dona Ana Downers Quarterly Meeting 12-5 p.m., May 3 at the Social Center of the Good Samaritan Village, 3011 Buena Vista Circle, Las Cruces, New Mexico. \$5 donation requested, for information call Jeanne-Marie Gehring at 522-4667.

Organizational Meeting For Ruddoso Silver Clean Up 6 p.m., May 5 at the Ruddoso Parks and Recreation Dept. Office at 801 Grindstone Resort Drive. For more information call the Parks and Recreation at 257-5030.

Republican Women Of Lincoln County Meeting 11:30 a.m., April 28 at Casa Blanca Restaurant. The speaker will be Rod Adair. There will be a board meeting at 10 a.m. prior to the luncheon. Call Bobbie Milburn at 257-4402 for reservations by Thursday the 23rd.

Village Of Ruddoso Meetings 6:30 p.m., April 28 Council Meeting at the Village Hall.

1:30 p.m., April 30 Advisory Committee at the Village Hall.

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Board looking at tighter rules governing drugs in the schools

Tougher, more specific rules concerning substance abuse in the public schools are being refined for the Ruidoso School Board.

BY ELAINE HOBBS
 RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Significant changes in the school district's substance abuse policies, among other things, were presented in draft form by Paul Wirth, director of instructional support, to the Ruidoso Municipal School Board last week.

Wirth's ad hoc committee had been working on the revisions since last November.

Wirth said his committee felt the substance abuse policies needed significant changes, and should incorporate all district policies by cross-referencing all those of tobacco-free and drug-free schools. They wanted a clear vision and philosophy that recognized that alcohol, tobacco and drugs are a home problem, and they influence school behavior and health problems. He also said they felt that intervention and referral should play an important part.

Part of the Background and Philosophy section of the draft reads, "RMSD recognizes that alcohol, tobacco, and drug abuse are treatable health problems. Health problems of youth are primarily the responsibility of the home and community. The

schools, however, share that responsibility when substance abuse or dependency interferes with school behavior, student learning, and the development of each student. RMSD will seek to intervene with students manifesting signs of use, misuse, or abuse of any tobacco, alcohol, or drugs, in order to educate and aid them."

A. Prohibition under II. Controlled Substances reads, "Students are prohibited from using, possessing, distributing, or being under the influence of drugs, alcohol, or tobacco, and from possessing, using or distributing drug paraphernalia while on school property or at school-sponsored activities, including transit and lodging."

Other parts of section II. include definitions of terms used in the policies, sections on the enforcement of policy, reporting student use, and discipline.

Discipline steps

The paragraph under Discipline reads, "Students who violate this policy shall be subject to intervention and discipline, including suspension and expulsion, or to other appropriate alternatives as prescribed by this policy, in accordance with the discretion of school authorities."

Section III. Support Services/Non-Disciplinary Referral (Intervention Referral) begins,

"In addition to promoting a safe, smoke-free, and drug-free environment for all, the substance abuse policy is designed to help the 'at-risk' individual through assessment, counseling, and education. This is not a disciplinary process, but rather a mechanism used for members of the school and community to express concern and facilitate students receiving help."

C. Enforcement of Policy reads, "RMSD reserves the right to search a student's person, personal effects, and vehicle in enforcing this policy (District Code 9.19)."

Section C. 1. goes on to say that a pat-down of a student may be conducted in private by an authorized official of the same sex as the student "upon reasonable suspicion that such student is in possession of a controlled substance."

Part of C. 2. reads, "Periodic general inspections of lockers, desks and similar facilities may be conducted by school officials for any reason, at any time, without notice and without consent."

Section C. 3. deals with inspection of student vehicles, and C. 4. says, in part, that drug-detecting dogs may be used in a search.

In IV. Disciplinary Referral, a first offense would include notification of parents, and/or police as appropriate, referral to

intervention process, short-term suspension (up to ten days) and possible recommendation for long-term suspension or expulsion.

Second offense would include the notification of parents and/or police as appropriate, re-referral to intervention process, short-term suspension (up to ten days) and possible recommendation for long-term suspension or expulsion.

A third offense would include notification of parents and/or police as appropriate and recommendation for long-term suspension or expulsion.

Section V. Athletic Discipline says in part that the school district will drug test athletes at the beginning of each sport season, and a 15 percent random testing will be conducted during each sport season.

Repeated tests

"If a student-athlete's drug test is positive, a retest may be requested by student-athlete and will be given. If a student-athlete whose drug test is positive chooses to quit the team, an intervention plan shall be developed and followed. If a student-athlete whose drug test is positive requests assistance, an intervention plan shall be developed and implemented for the duration of the school year. The intervention plan may include provisions to allow the student-

athlete to practice with the team and will include a minimum of 6 weeks suspension from competition and regular drug testing. The athletic director will be part of the core team to develop intervention plans for student-athletes.

"If a student-athlete's follow-up drug test is positive, the student-athlete will be suspended from athletics for the remainder of that sport season or nine weeks, whichever may be longer. In addition, an intervention plan shall be developed and implemented.

"If a student-athlete tests positive for a second offense during the school year, the student-athlete will be suspended from all athletics for one calendar year. The student-athlete shall be re-referred for an intervention plan.

"If a student-athlete is charged by police/law enforcement authorities with use and/or possession of drugs and/or alcohol, or if a student-athlete (and/or parent) self-reports, an intervention plan may be developed and implemented for the duration of the school year. The intervention plan may include provisions to allow the student-athlete to practice with the team and will include a minimum of 6 weeks suspension from competition and regular drug testing."

Wirth said they first

reviewed all the current policies, then consulted school attorneys and asked them for the modified policies used statewide. After lengthy discussions, the suggested modifications were sent back to attorneys for review. The modifications were then drafted to present to the board.

Board likes direction

Board members commended the committee for the time and effort spent and made some suggestions for more specific language in a few sections to eliminate loopholes and make the intent clearer.

That, Wirth said, was just what the committee was looking for, and he said he would take the suggestions back to the committee. The suggestions will be incorporated in the next draft and presented to the board at the next school board meeting.

Changes to policies concerning pregnant and parenting students, student evaluations, and student transfers were mainly to clean up the language, Wirth said.

The current policy on student transfer credits refers to transfers of high school students. Modifications to that policy would set up a similar system for grades K through 8, and there are some slight changes in the processing of home schoolers.

Sierra Vista Primary's Good Citizens



Courtesy
 First Grade Good Citizens for March, back, left to right: Sammy Monnarez, Myles Marlot, Dillon Bee, Mary Estrada, Wacey Cochise, Nick Rue, Stephany Spreutels. Middle: Lester Bob, Nathan Yont, Lariss Tretreault, Clifford Keith, Lorena Aguilar. Front: Franette Jim, Ely Jiron, Sierra Johndreau.



Courtesy
 Second Grade Good Citizens for March, back, left to right: Victoria Montes, Lara Cochise, Mikaila Gonzales, Travis West, Claudia Nava, Joanna Woods, Terra Wallace. Middle: Cody Parker, Rochelle Gallegos, Ronnie Hutson, Meshia Rue, Veronica Baeza, Nicole Presiderio. Front: Whitney Sowell, Dominique Archuleta, Ralford Rocha, Zachary Doth, Austin O'Leary, Junior Mejia.

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Ruidoso Middle School student winners in the Region IX Middle School Knowledge Bowl Tournament are back row, from left, Colin Leslie, Fletcher Herring, Matthew Finnell, Nick Spence, and Adrian Salas. Third row, Sarah Williamson, Timea Eckherdt, Elsa Frey, Lauren Lahey and Licia Bourassa. Second row, Nathanael Hedin, Ryan Kluthe, Carrie Line, Noel Owen, Aaron Romero and Brendan LaCounte. Front row, Joshua Romero and Colton English.

RMS cleans up in 'knowledge bowl'

Ruidoso Middle School students cleaned up in the Region IX Middle School Knowledge Bowl held April 15 at the Ruidoso Middle School gymnasium. Students from the 6th, 7th and 8th grade competed during the year in six tournaments with a possible three points per win.

Questions are developed from the categories of literature, mathematics, current events, life/earth/physical science, geography, government and civics, New Mexico history, history, sports, fine

arts/humor, language arts, trivia, computers and optional categories. Contestants are given 20 seconds to press a buzzer and answer the question within five seconds after being recognized.

Out of a possible 18 points, overall points for the 6th grade competition were Ruidoso, first with 18 points and an undefeated record for the year; Cloudcroft, second with 8 points; and Tularosa, third with 7 points.

The 7th grade overall points were Ruidoso, first

with 16 points; Tularosa, second with 11 points; and Cloudcroft, third with 4 points.

First place in 8th grade overall points was Ruidoso with 14 points; Carrizozo, second place with 7 points; and Tularosa, third place with 5 points.

Overall school points for the year out of a possible 54 were Ruidoso, first place with 48 points; Tularosa, second place with 23 points; and Cloudcroft, third place with 16 points.

Optimist oratorical winners named

Ruidoso Middle School students Noelle Owen and Colton English were the winners of the Optimists Oratorical Contest held recently with the assigned title, "My Commitment to the Future." The competition was an assignment in Dorley Stillwell's 8th grade language arts class "for the experience," she said. The competition began with 96 students from which were chosen the top ten boys and top ten girls.

Those students competed to choose the winning boy and girl at the local competition. Owen and English, after winning locally, then went on to compete in the zone competition where they placed second. The zone is southeastern New Mexico area down to the border of Texas.

The winning prize is a \$1500 scholarship. Owen and English presented their speeches at the Ruidoso School Board Meeting April 14. The speeches were student written; the judges, professional people with experience in communications.



Noelle Owen and Colton English

Early childhood development in focus at Wal-Mart

'Week of the Young Child' to be celebrated Saturday

BY ELAINE HOBBS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

This week marks the national celebration of the Week of the Young Child, and Ruidoso will be holding its own celebration Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Wal-Mart.

The celebration is designed to focus on the importance of the early years for children's learning and all aspects of development.

Booths with free information and child interaction will be set up at Wal-Mart by several agencies that deal with early childhood development and parenting.

WIC, the Women, Infants and Children nutrition program, will have a booth with nutritional information and will offer free immunizations for children; Parents as Teachers will have a booth with materials dealing with early literacy; Region IX, which has early childhood programs, will have a booth about language development in children; Maternal Child Health (MCH) will have a booth where height, weight and plotting on growth charts can be done for a child; and Children's Medical Services will have a booth with general information on services for children.

This is the first collaborative effort to hold the celebration. Sharon Miller, director of WIC, says it's exciting to have all these agencies that provide services for parents and children get together to support it. Wal-Mart also was very cooperative in providing a place to hold the event, she said. "We called them and explained the celebration, and they said if it's for kids, we're glad to do it."

Miller and Cathy Overdorf, coordinator of Lincoln County Parents as Teachers, are two of the people who were instrumental in organizing the event. Miller works with about 500 people per month, running a nutrition and education program for pregnant women,

including post parted and breast feeding information and information on infants from ages one to five years old. The program includes income support, for which there are different guidelines than those used by the welfare system. The criteria are based on income and nutritional needs. Clients are given vouchers that specify the foods they can buy.

Each month a client comes in and gets her voucher, and as part of the program is given education in nutrition and counseling on stress, alcohol and drugs. Clients are screened for nutritional risk, and if they have infants, they are given counseling on breast feeding and formulas. If a pregnant woman chooses not to breast feed, she is provided with vouchers for formula and nutritious food. Counseling also includes how to use checks wisely when purchasing food.

As coordinator of Lincoln County Parents as Teachers, Overdorf conducts parent education programs. She said these are not programs on parenting. Parents can sign up to meet monthly with a parent educator who gives them information on different stages of childhood development. The program uses a nationally devised curriculum based on new information in brain development research on the early years of childhood. It is funded with a three-year grant written by Ruidoso schools to serve the whole county.

Besides that program, Overdorf said, there are play groups, and sometimes mothers and children get together and have a topic they talk about. Observation of interaction among the children also can provide a learning experience, and sometimes activities are provided that help parents interpret child behavior.

Parents as Teachers does screening of children's development in all areas so that if there is a problem, it can be diagnosed and monitored. Children are usually screened every year on their birthdays.

This is in conjunction with Region IX, which provides services for children at risk or children who have some developmental delays. It has an advisory group on early childhood development.

"Region IX...really tries to help the total family."

Cathy Overdorf,
L.C. Parents as Teachers

Overdorf said that Region IX, whose director of early childhood programs is Likis Castanon, serves communities throughout the region, including Ruidoso, Carrizozo, Cloudcroft, Tularosa, Capitan, Corona and Hondo. "They really try to help the total family," said Overdorf.

Knowing how difficult it is for people to find the right agency to help them, Miller tried to get different agencies to put together a resource directory so that people needing different kinds of services could find them easily in one source. When she found that not much progress was being made, she took it upon herself to gather and document the information and then, with no funding of her own, somehow get it printed.

Her efforts were rewarded when Valerie Miller, administrator of the Lincoln County Medical Center, heard about the project and offered to donate the cost of printing it as a community service. It is titled the Lincoln County Resource Directory, and 500 copies were printed. They are free to anyone needing a copy from Sharon Miller at 258-3252.

Public school food menus are on Page 6A today

NEWS BRIEFS

Sexual Assault Awareness Month program planned

May is Sexual Assault Awareness Month. The New Mexico Coalition of Sexual Assault Programs Inc. in conjunction with the The Counseling Center, Inc., at 1707 Suderth Drive in Ruidoso, and the Child Abuse Prevention Task force, will sponsor and co-facilitate three workshops to address different aspects of sexual assault prevention.

A professional training on Child Abuse Reporting laws and an outline of sexual assault statutes will be held from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. April 30. That evening a public meeting will be held to address Child Abuse Prevention concerns of parents, teachers and the community from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Snacks and child care will be provided on site.

On May 1, training will be held on Adult Sexual Assault Prevention and Recovery at 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Continuing Education certificates will be available at all three workshops.

For more information, call Katherine at The Counseling Center, Inc. at 257-5038.

Marketing seminar in Ruidoso

A Group Tour Marketing seminar will kick off National Tourism Week in Ruidoso on May 4 at the Ruidoso Convention Center adjacent to the Links at Sierra Blanca Golf Course.

Sponsored by the Ruidoso Valley Convention and Visitors Bureau in conjunction with Rural Economic Development Through Tourism, the confer-

ence will explore ways to increase the impact of group tours in southern New Mexico.

The featured luncheon speaker is Russ Wolf of the Flying W. Ranch, a Colorado Springs tourist attraction. Group tours make up a sizeable portion of its annual audience. The seminar begins at 10 a.m. with a panel discussion on group tour trends with speakers from Southwest Airlines, World Discovery Travel and the UFO Museum and Research Center.

A series of marketing workshops focus on developing group markets that target senior travelers and corporate retreats. Publicity and promotions, web site marketing and preparing effective portfolios for marketing at group tour markets, such as Pow Wow, also will be discussed.

Information is designed to help local businesses tap into the growing Group Tour Market.

The workshop will conclude with regional planning sessions to develop cooperative marketing strategies for the region.

To register for the Group Tour Marketing seminar, contact the Ruidoso Valley Convention and Visitors Bureau at (505) 257-7395 or (800) 253-2255 by April 29, 1998. The registration fee of \$10 includes lunch and workshop materials.

Life Planning clinic to be held in Roswell

Villa del Rey Retirement Village in Rowell is hosting a Life Planning clinic to discuss issues of power of attorney and advance directives.

Local attorneys, experienced in laws regarding seniors, will be present to pro-

vide information and answer questions about the different types of power of attorney documents, and the Healthcare Directive law in New Mexico.

Attorneys Tom Dunlap, Mark Taylor and Barbara Reddy comprise the panel.

The panel discussion is sponsored by the Chaves County Bar Association as part of Law Day in New Mexico.

The clinic will be held at 9 a.m. Thursday at 2801 N. Kentucky Ave. The public is invited to come at 8:30 a.m. for coffee and refreshments.

Free legal info available

Southeastern New Mexico residents can receive free legal

information on May 2 by connecting with the "Ask-A-Lawyer" call-in program sponsored by the Young Lawyers Division of the State Bar of New Mexico.

New Mexico lawyers have volunteered to give free legal information by telephone from four locations across the state.

Callers in the Roswell area can access this public service by dialing (505) 622-6221. Statewide callers also can dial toll free, 1-800-846-6227.

Call centers also will be staffed in Albuquerque at (505) 797-6000, Santa Fe at (505) 982-1947, Farmington at (505) 325-7555, and Las Cruces at (505) 522-7500.

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By BETTY DEBNAM

Thanks for Just About Everything! Cheers for Engineers

Civil engineer



George Washington was a civil engineer. He helped in the building and planning of roads and bridges, and also the White House. He is shown above as he lays the cornerstone for the U.S. Capitol Building.

We usually don't see engineers at work, but we certainly see and use what they create. Most of the men and women in these jobs work behind the scenes, using tools and discoveries in science and new technology to:

- design
- improve on
- and keep running

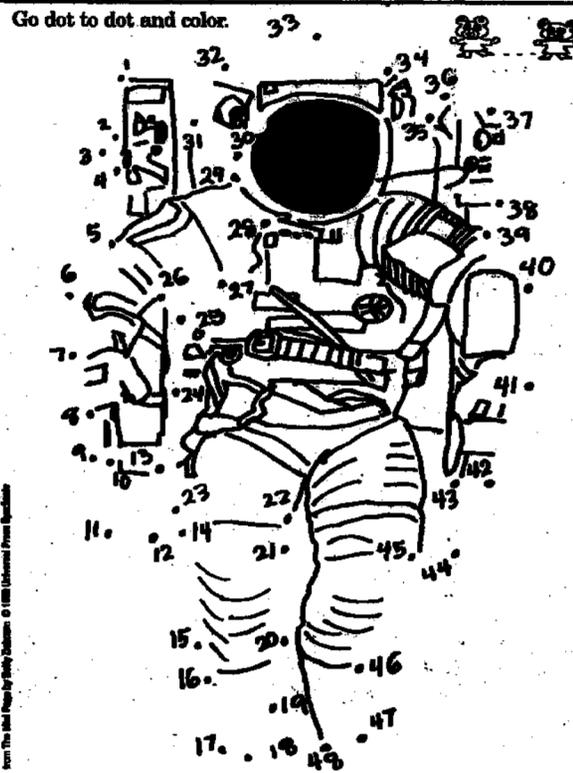
the thousands of buildings, things, products and stuff that we take for granted and depend on to make our lives better, safer, healthier, easier and fun.

Computer engineers



John Backus is a computer engineer. He invented a computer language that made the machines easier to use. In the future, we will be amazed at what engineers can build using the valuable computer as a tool.

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Cheers for these other kinds of engineers. We have given you an example of the valuable they might make for us.

Aerospace engineers



design the jet planes that fly us to many places.

Chemical engineers



make better, cleaner fuel for cars, buses and planes.

Bioengineers



design artificial legs that can do almost anything a real leg can do.

Energy engineers



create safer energy sources that help to run our appliances.

Electronic engineers



build television sets that entertain and educate us.

Manufacturing engineers



design ways to make new cars, buses or trains.

Material engineers



invent fabrics to make strong, lightweight bullet-proof vests.

Petroleum engineers



drill for the petroleum from which the gas that runs your family's car is made.

The Mini Page thanks Chuck Blus of the National Academy of Engineering for help with this story.

Mighty Funny's Mini Jokes

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Q: What street does a ghost live on?
A: A dead-end street!

(all jokes sent in by Mario Lemon)

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ENGINEERING

Words about engineering are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward. See if you can find: DESIGN, CREATE, SCIENCE, MATH, TOOLS, TECHNOLOGY, POWER, RESEARCH, AEROSPACE, DISCOVER, CHEMICAL, CIVIL, ELECTRICAL, MECHANICAL, MINING, DREAM, SYSTEMS.

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10 Top Engineering Feats

In the past 30 years, engineers have created more advances in technology than at any other time in history. Some achievements that have changed our lives include:

Moon landing

On July 20, 1969, men walked on the moon. The moon program was probably the most complicated engineering project in the history of the world.

At the busiest time in the program, 400,000 people were working on it. Millions of pieces had to be designed and built, then fitted together exactly.

Before we could land on the moon, engineers had to design:

- space vehicles
- very accurate navigational systems
- a lunar landing craft
- space suits
- scientific instruments.

Satellites

Since 1965, satellites have been:

- forecasting weather.
- making Earth's gigantic phone, TV and computer networks work.
- mapping the world.
- helping ships, planes and cars, navigate.
- monitoring pollution.

Computer-aided design

Before computers, all the thousands of parts of a machine had to be actually tested to be sure everything worked properly. Now much of the testing can be done on computer.

Jumbo jets

Jumbo jets have made air travel affordable for most people.

This 747 jet seats up to 566 passengers, and can fly one-third of the way around the world without refueling.

Advanced mixing of materials

Engineers mix different substances to make very strong objects that weigh very little. We could not build space shuttles or jet engines without these special materials. These materials also are used to improve ordinary objects such as golf clubs, racing bikes and tires.

Microprocessors

These computer chips are the brains of personal computers. They are also used in much day-to-day technology, including microwave ovens, VCRs and TV remote controls.

CAT scan

These machines let doctors find out what is happening inside a body — without doing surgery.

The CAT scan takes hundreds of X-rays of the body. A computer puts these photos together to make a three-dimensional television image.

Lasers

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Fiber-optics

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1 Real Estate

HOME ON WOODED LOT
 3BR/2BA open floor plan Southwest colors, like new, deck. Lot runs street to street in Flume Canyon. Call Lisa Smith, Coldwell Banker, SDC Realtors 257-5111

FOR SALE BY OWNER 14 acres prime property on the river. 3 Bedrooms plus 2 apartments, barn horse pens, coral, too much to list. Call for info 915-877-4686 (pager 915-720-3713)

FOR SALE FOUR BEDROOM Tri-level, huge rooms, completely renovated, large decks, close in. Top floor potential rental 605-257-5987 or 805-652-3580

PINECLIFF TIMESHARE UNIT For sale. Weeks 48 thru 13. Apartment 6, building 5. For more information call Melissa 972-434-2834

FOR SALE BY OWNER:
 4 BD, 2 1/2 BA, with family room, city utilities, natural gas, 1620 s.f. \$148,300. 117 Black Forest Dr. Call Fred Cowan 257-4645

REAL ESTATE ASSISTANT SALES PERSON Will provide condo plus commission. Ritter Associates at Champions Run 378-7108

BEAUTIFUL NEW CABIN
 Upper Canyon, large corner lot, big covered porch, nice view, 2BDR, 1BA, 152 Whirlaway. \$82,500. 505-258-3588

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 1. 263 Hemlock - needs a little work, city utilities, owner very anxious. \$6,750.
 2. Sandia Drive - great area. \$7,500. Terms
 3. 808 Colorado St. (close to Nat'l. Forest), ready to go! City utilities, great area, level lot. \$16,900. Might finance.
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2 Real Estate Trades
PRICED TO SELL OR TRADE Home in Alamogordo or Tularosa for home in Ruidoso. 257-4551 or 585-8541.

3 Land for Sale
 1 1/2 ACRES BUILDING SITE, large pine trees, \$18,500, 10% down, owner will carry. Call 622-1589

2 1/2 ACRE FLAT LAND with river frontage. Lots of trees. Close in. 505-378-4157 Owner/Agent

BY OWNER Block 1, Lot 1, High Sierra Estate, (Commercial) Water, phone, electric. 132 ft Hwy 48 frontage. 354-3122

WOODED LOT, Close to Inhabrook & Texas Club, nice view. \$25,000. Daytime 257-2121, after 5:00 258-5232

4 Houses for Sale

PRICE REDUCED!! NEW HOME: MAGNIFICENT SIERRA BLANCA VIEW Level entry, 3 bedroom, 2 bath with Jacuzzi, walk-in closets, large garage, fireplace, covered porch, maintenance free stucco exterior. All this on one acre with horse privileges. Call for viewing, anytime. \$179,000. 336-8459

RENT YOUR HOUSE!
 Betty Beachum Realtor is now a full service property management co. First rate handling of all your property management needs. Call us about renting your house, condo, or commercial property. 258-5441

THIS LOVELY HOME HAS 3BR/2BA on 3 acres of land, with river frontage, all fenced, flat land with fruit trees, 50x50 barn, stalls & pipe corral. Close to the race track. Can be shown anytime. (505) 378-4157 Owner/Agent

"ADOBE FOR SALE" Small but charming, one bedroom, completely renovated on three lots in Carrizozo. \$32,000 Call 354-6002

2BR/2BA CONDO, White Mountain Estates, view, secluded, pines. Last chance before listing 4-23-98. Make offer (505)258-4693

BRIGHT & SPACIOUS 3 BR/1 1/2 Bath Condo overlooking Eagle Creek. Beautifully furnished. Ski Run Road, Alto 336-8390. Possible owner finance.

6 Mobiles for Sale
 1994 14X56 2 BEDROOM 1 1/2 bath, dishwasher, wood stove, large wood deck, new A/C. \$11,000 805-740-1050

Palm Harbor Factory Direct
 Free color brochures. 2, 3, 4 & 5 bedrooms. Call for free construction literature and floor plans. **CALL TODAY! 1-800-720-1004 Albuquerque 291-1515** 10028 Central Ave. SE Albuquerque, NM 87128

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FOR SALE BY OWNER 3 bedroom, 2 bath doublewide on 2 acres in Capitán. Great view! 354-2067

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"ABSOLUTELY AFFORDABLE"
 1998 14X56 2 bedroom, payments only \$157.21 per mo. Credit problems? We can help. \$14,900, dh-\$1596, 12.5%, 240 mos. Call 1-800-853-1717, ask for Bob. DLR #00895

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RIGHT PRICE - GOOD BUYS - MOBILES!!
 15 SCREAMING EAGLE - Country living, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, fireplace, decks, artist's retreat/dark-room/apartment. Carport, storage, 3/4 acre. A steal at \$54,900. 5% down if qualified.
 209 WEST SANTA ROSA - A darling 2 bedroom, 1 bath in great shape. Lightly used. Completely chain-link fenced. Storage shed, treed, level lot. \$46,500. 5% down if qualified.
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MOBILES FOR SALE 3 Bedroom, 2 bath, add-on, space 55, Cherokee Park. \$15,000. 16x70 1991 Redman Space 183, Circle B Campground. Must see! HOLIDAY HOMES, 1301 MECHEM. 258-3330

7 Houses for Rent

106 METZ, COMPLETELY FURNISHED Large 2-3 bedroom, 2 3/4 baths, encl. patio w/jacuzzi, deck w/view. Available May thru July. Call 326-9154

REFERENCES REQUIRED Super class doublewide, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, garage, lease, \$750/mo. Sierra Blanca Realty 257-2576

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HOUSE FOR SALE OR RENT IN ENCHANTED FOREST 3BR/2BA WITH GARAGE \$700 plus deposit. 258-1004

CLEAN TWO BEDROOM, 1 bath furnished, \$350 plus utilities, \$100 Deposit. References 378-4396

2 BEDROOM, open floor plan, decks on beautiful Cedar Creek, furnished, all appliances. \$750. p/m, 4 month lease required. 257-4351.

FULLY FURNISHED SUMMER RENTAL:
 3 bedroom, 2 bath A-Frame, with Sierra Blanca view. Great location! \$1,300. AVAILABLE NOW 258-5568

BEAUTIFUL 3 BDRM./3 BA, (White Mountain Meadows), available June 6th for long term lease, \$750/mo. Reply with ref. to Box 183 Alto, NM 88312.

2 BEDROOM 2 BATH Upper Canyon on River, W/D hook-ups, nice deck, quiet area. Utilities plus cable paid. \$725/mo. 257-9502

TWO BEDROOM FURNISHED HOUSE with fireplace, central location, Gateway Area, Sudderth Drive \$400/mo. Two people, water furnished, no pets 257-2004

Ruidoso Properties Better Homes and Gardens
 Multiple Rentals Available Now!
 Call RENTAL HOTLINE - 257-9603 for a list of current available long-term rentals, or call 257-4075 during business hours.

8 Apts. for Rent

SHARE CLASSY PADI Fireplace, view, 2 master bedrooms, mature, nonsmoker. \$395 month + 1/2 bills, references. 257-0098

FURNISHED APARTMENT: ALL BILLS PAID in exchange for a retired couple to work front desk and light maintenance duty so many hours a week. Please call 257-4058

CAPTAN, NICE FURNISHED 2Bdrm apartment for rent. \$850/mo. Includes all utilities and cable TV. Available April 20th. Smokey Bear Motel 354-2253

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FURNISHED APARTMENT Walking distance to downtown. 1 year lease. \$600 per month including utilities. Prefer no children, no pets, no smoking. 257-2121

NICE CLEAN 1 BEDROOM in Capitán \$265 month 354-3176 or 354-2008

NEW UNFURNISHED 1BDRM APARTMENT Nice location \$385 per month plus 1 month security, electricity included. Call after 5pm at 336-7829

Newly painted 2/2 Unfurnished. Good location. Ruidoso Properties 257-4075

FURNISHED 1 & 2BDRM. APTS. bills paid. No pets. Call 268-3111.

ONE BEDROOM FURNISHED APARTMENT Utilities paid. Covered parking, single person or couple. No pets. References \$375/MO. 378-1038

BEAUTIFUL AFFORDABLE EFFICIENCY APARTMENT includes utilities and cable. Quiet area. Call 258-5390, if no answer Leave message and phone number

UTILITIES PAID, CLEAN MODERN, 2 BEDROOM apartment. Convenient location. \$425. Lease and deposit. (505)521-4057

9 Mobiles for Rent

FOR RENT: 2 BEDROOM, 2 bath on River, Ruidoso Downs. Water paid, no pets. \$480 per month. 378-6469

FURNISHED 2 BEDROOM, 1 BATH with deck and great view. \$325 monthly + utilities. Ponderosa Heights. Call Corinne 258-3600, after 7:00 653-4714.

NICE 2 BEDROOM, 1 BATH On river, 12x55, easy access, water furnished, natural gas, cable available, near V. \$285/mo 378-4498

10 Condos for Rent

2B/2B, 2-CAR GARAGE/PORT sleeps 6, fully furnished, (3) TVs, and VCR, cable available, refrig. air, 4 months @ \$775 per/mo "longer discounted" 378-1163 or 800-569-0948

FURNISHED OR UNFURNISHED two bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, fireplace, W/D, no pets. \$475 monthly 257-4442

FOR LEASE:
 Alto Alps townhouse: 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, furnished \$850/mo.; unfurnished \$750/mo. Annual contract. 336-4377

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NEEDED IMMEDIATELY, 1 OR 2 BEDROOM RESIDENCE. No pets, work full time in Village, 20 yr. old son in school & works part-time. Good references, permanent. No utilities, \$350; utilities included, \$425-\$450. Call 257-2494 home, 257-5511 work.

SENIOR CITIZEN wants a good spot for 14x88 mobile home. No pets. Call Mr. White collect 915-287-3547.

15 Storage for Rent
 L & D SELF STORAGE Hwy. 48 Space available. 258-4899 or 257-9463.

17 Business Rentals
OFFICE WAREHOUSE FOR RENT Large fenced yard on Macheson. 2400 SF \$1650 month 528-8116

OFFICE SPACE FOR RENT No smoking, limited traffic. Betty Beachum, Realtor 258-5441

OFFICE SPACE "NON SMOKING" for lease at Pinetree Square, 2810 Sudderth Drive. Monday thru Friday. 9AM to 4PM. 257-5155.

STOREFRONT OFFICE SPACE, 650 s.f., 271 Hwy 70 E., Ruidoso Downs \$300 plus electric. 378-4661

FOR LEASE: 850 sq. ft. office space, Jira Plaza, available 4/1/97, Broker welcome. Owen Russell, Real Estate Broker. 505/257-6341.

COMMERCIAL BUILDING for lease. Highway 70 and Griffith Drive. Agua Fria. Over 1100 square feet, \$750 per month. Call 378-8152

WHITE MOUNTAIN PLAZA Space available. Busy location. Ask for move-in special. 800 SF 1204 Macheson 258-6376

DOWNTOWN COMMERCIAL SPACE FOR LEASE 392 Sudderth. Approx 3500 Sq Ft. Available July 1st 257-9336

FOR RENT: STORAGE BUILDING, approximately 800 sq. ft. Convenient second location. Easy access. Could be used as workshop with adjustment for utilities. \$200/mo Call. 258-5959.

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0 Trucks/4X4's

984 CHEV 3/4 TON diesel, speed, standard, needs engine work, good tires, noble phone, \$800. 553-3788 leave message.

90 DODGE 1 TON, flatbed, 5000, '84 Dodge, 4 wheel drive p/u, \$1,500. '83 Ford, 20, flatbed, \$1,500. '72 Dodge motor home, \$800. 553-3893

1994 FORD 1/2-TON Super, toolbox, bug shield, \$6,900. Real clean 10 1/2' cabover camper, self contained w/roof air-conditioner. \$600 336-8459

1996 TOYOTA TACOMA, V-6, air, 4x4, 16,000 miles, extra clean, \$18,900. Call 257-6000 or 257-2363

1990 GMC SHORT WHEEL BASE Truck, 250, 8 cylinder, 4-speed, good condition \$1800. Call 258-5951 message or 420-6784

22 Motorcycles

TAKING BIDS for a 1983 650 Honda motorcycle. Call or come by Liberty Finance. 238 Sudderth 257-0114

24 RV/Travel

1986 AVION 35FT like new, rear bath, full awnings and the extras. Located on the river. \$13,950. 940-892-4326.

MERRY MILLER VAN. 1976 3/4 ton Dodge chassis; new 360 factory long block with 20,000 miles. Bath with shower, refrigerator, range, CB, Stereo, towing package. Runs/drives like new. \$3,200 OBO. Phone 257-1155

VW CAMPER (Westfalia), 1974 with 1976 engine, excellent condition \$4700. Call 378-8152

25 Livestock

HORSES BOARDED \$90.00 month or \$5.00 daily. We feed. 378-8191

9 YEAR OLD BLACK GELDING: Rideable, needs experienced rider. Asking \$700 (505)671-4403

27 Feed & Grain

12,000 HORSE QUALITY COASTAL SQUARE BALES. 10% protein in the barn. \$3/bale 254-834-3380 or 817-219-2409

HAY FOR SALE: Alfalfa and Cat. Three Rivers Ranch 648-2448

28 Produce & Plants

STRAWBERRY PLANTS. Locally grown, hardy plants. We dig them when you call. 25-87-50, 50-815. 378-8543

COMPOST, ONE OF THE BEST sources of organic matter, available bulk or by the bag. Call Paul at White Mountain Composting 257-8708

30 Yard Sales

END ROLLSH END ROLLSH!! FOR SALE NOW AT "THE RUIDOSO NEWS"

Great For Packing, Art Projects. \$1.00 per inch. From the core out. Call first for availability. 257-4001

31 Household

TOP OF THE LINE SONY, 27" black tube Trinitron TV, like new \$175. BEST SIMMONS X-LONG TWIN Mattress, cost new in Sept., \$350, must sell \$175. 257-9725

FOR SALE: Hutch, dining table, six chairs. Twin beds, mattress sets, dresser w/ mirror. Lounge chair w/ ottoman. Call 257-4202

BEAUTIFUL HAND CARVED Southwest tables & chairs with upholstered seats. High quality like new. (6) sets, \$700-\$1000 each. Call 257-2498

FOR SALE: Frost free refrigerator, electric stove, vent hood, kitchen sink, oak chairs, bar stools, childrens swing set. Call 336-7890

NEW, NEVER USED dorm size refrigerator \$100. Exergilder \$80; manual treadmill \$60; two microwaves. Call 354-6013

FOR SALE: WICKER BAR & 2 bar stools, \$100. Glider Rocker, like new \$75. Deluxe Hammond Organ, Make offer. 257-2865

Joyce's Furniture New & Used Furniture New & Used Mattresses Used Appliances We Buy, Sell & Trade 650 Sudderth • 257-7575

Mansfield Furniture

"Buy, Sell or Trade" New & Used Furniture & Mattresses 257-3109 • 1000 Sudderth Dr.

32 Music Instrument

PIANO, GRAND 4'11" Wuritzer \$4,800. 257-5797

33 Antiques

ANTIQUE TABLE, 6 Chairs, Buffet, and China Hutch for sale. 257-3205

34 Arts

SIGN UP FOR BEGINNING WATER COLOR CLASSES (Day and Night Classes) Senior discount. Call Betty 258-4278

DONA ANA DOLL CLUB SHOW & SALE: Sat., May 2nd, 10am-3pm, Las Cruces Hilton, 1-25 Lohman exit. Admission \$2.00

SPECIALS OF THE WEEK AT THE CAMEL HOUSE

Custom Picture Framing and all Marshall Pottery are on Sale at 20% OFF with this ad!!! The Camel House 1690 Hwy 70 E., Ruidoso Downs • (505) 378-7065

36 Miscellaneous

STEEL BUILDINGS - Must sell 5 manufacturer display overruns 25x34, 30x40, 50x80 - brand new, never delivered - no reasonable offer refused. 100% financing available. Limited Supply 1-800-527-4044

KINGS TREASURE THRIFT STORE MON-FRI 9:30-4:30 P.M. SAT 10-2PM PROCEEDS TO PCC 378-8113

PERSONAL COMPUTER 486, Color monitor, windows 3.1, modern word processor, games. \$365 OBO 258-9127

CASH IN A FLASH! Up to \$1000 A-1 Pawn, 118 E. Hwy 70

PHONE CARDS! From \$4.00 for 15 minutes up to \$40.00 for 180 minutes. Ruidoso Bus Station, 138 Service Road.

(2) 250 GALLON PROPANE TANKS for sale. Call after 5:00pm weekdays 378-4443 or all day sat and sun.

COLLECTORS - WINCHESTER RIFLE, model 61 w/scope, .22 caliber, excellent condition, \$450. Call 258-4184.

UTILITY TRAILER, 6'x10' w/ drop tailgate, ramp, single axle, like new, \$795. Call 258-4184.

37 Wanted to Buy WE PAY CASH FOR Used Propane Tanks "Will Haul" 258-5673

38 Help Wanted EXPERIENCED CARPENTER NEEDED. Must have own hand tools. Call 354-2738 after 5pm.

DATA CHEK, LLC. Human Resources Bookkeeper P/T Flexible hours: Mon-Sat, Bookkeeping and spreadsheet background required. Apply at 1096 Mechem Sta 312 or fax resume to 258-4933 Wage DOE, EOE

LAUNDRY HELP: Full time, apply at Beckers Mountain Laundry, 721 S. Mechem.

COOKS...CASHIERS Pd. vacation/health ins. Cashier must be 21 yrs. 2727 Sudderth Lincoln County Grill

EXCELLENT HOURLY WAGE for part-time Nursery worker (Ages Birth - 3 Years), Sunday Morning (9:30 - Noon) and Sunday Evening for one hour. References required. Please contact Linda or Stephanie at 257-2081 or come by the First Baptist Church at 420 Mechem Drive to complete an application.

SHIFT MANAGER - IMMEDIATE OPENING Insurance and Paid Vacation Apply in person - Lincoln County Grill 2727 Sudderth

Brillante Construction Thomas Brillante General Contractor REDWOOD DECKS • REMODELING • PAINTING 258-5198 Lic. #NM 056319-08 98

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BURKETT HOME REPAIR INTERIOR - EXTERIOR CARPENTRY, PAINTING, DECKS, STAIRS, ROOF REPAIRS. LICENSED 257-2910

GOOD WORK, FAIR PRICES In business since 1964 Call 258-2111 VALLEY PLUMBING AND HEATING CO.

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T.N.T MAINTENANCE Carpet, Upholstery, floors and window cleaning. 258-4865

STOP Looking Out Your Dirty Windows Let Window Masters Clean Your Windows So They Sparkle Free Estimates Residential • Commercial 257-4757

NUISANCE ANIMAL Control, Live, Humane removal of Raccoons, Skunks, etc. Leave message, 336-9689 will call back after 5:00.

46 Lost & Found FOUND: PRESCRIPTION EYEGLASSES pewter frames in carrying case, found on Gavilan Canyon Rd. at Ball Park. Call 257-4001, ask for Glna.

HIGHWAY ENGINEER TECHNICIANS NEEDED: To perform inspections on construction projects for the New Mexico State Highway & Transportation Department in Various local areas: Alamogordo, Tubac, Carlsbad, Ruidoso and Coors. 1 to 5 years experience in one of the following: Engineering, Surveying, Materials Testing, Highway Design, or Highway Construction. Computer Experience desirable. Hr. salary: \$7,527-\$12,26. Contact Ruth Montoya 824-3324. Equal Employee Opportunity Employer.

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CAPITAN MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT POSITION: ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTOR (3rd Grade) QUALIFICATIONS: Master Teacher Ability to be a successful mentor Excellent interpersonal skills CONTRACT: 1998-99 School year SALARY: As per District Certified Salary Schedule APPLICATION DEADLINE: Friday, May 8, 1998, 12:00 Noon PROCEDURE: Call or write for application. Submit letter of interest, application and resume to: Office of the Superintendent, Capitan Municipal Schools P.O. Box 278 Capitan, N.M. 88316 Phone: 505-354-2239 Fax: 505-354-2240 Capitan Municipal Schools policy is to select the best qualified applicant without regard to race, color, marital status, religion/creed, sex, disability/handicap, or national origin.

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48 Announcements

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CALL FOR BIDS

The Hondo Valley Public School District is accepting bids for 201 covered...

Scope of work includes construction of a financial and compliance audit of the general purpose financial statements...

The Board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids submitted, using minor technicalities...

The Hondo Valley Public Schools is receiving bids to provide propane for the 1998-99 school year...

Specifications for the services are available in the office of the Superintendent...

1808 4T(4)15, 17, 22, 24

LEGAL NOTICE

INVITATION FOR BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Village of Ruidoso Downs, Lincoln County, New Mexico calls for sealed bids...

An Electrical Contractor to install light fixtures at the ballfield in the American Park...

1808 1T (4)22

LEGAL NOTICE

LINCOLN COUNTY CLERK'S REGULAR MEETING

REGULAR MEETING April 30, 1998 - 7:00 P.M.

NOTICE OF MEETING The Lincoln County Clerk's Office is holding a regular meeting on Thursday, April 30, 1998 at 7:00 p.m. at the Ruidoso City Events Center...

Copies of the agenda for the April 30, 1998 meeting will be available at the office of the County Manager prior to said meeting.

Auditory aides are available upon request. Please contact Martha Guevara at 545-2588 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting to make any necessary arrangements.

MARTHA GUEVARA ASSISTANT COUNTY MANAGER 1808 1T(4)22

LEGAL NOTICE

CALL FOR BIDS

The Ruidoso Board of Education wishes to receive bids for instructional supplies for the Ruidoso Municipal Schools District...

Bids must be received in the office of the Superintendent on or before May 10, 1998, at 2:00 p.m. Bids will be opened and read aloud at the regular board meeting on May 10, 1998 at 7:00 p.m. at the Administration Office...

The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and waive all technicalities.

1808 2T(4)22, 24

LEGAL NOTICE

CALL FOR BIDS

The Ruidoso Board of Education desires to receive bids for Small Office Machine Maintenance. Specifications are available in the office of the Superintendent of Schools...

Bids must be received in the Superintendent's Office by 4:00 P.M. May 15, 1998. BIDS MUST BE SEALED AND MARKED "BID FOR SMALL OFFICE MACHINE MAINTENANCE"...

1808 2T(4)22, 24

LEGAL NOTICE

VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Governing Body of the Village of Ruidoso, New Mexico will hold a public hearing in conjunction with the proposed purchase of the Village of Ruidoso Downs...

The name of the applicant is Enchantment Inn Corporation, whose address is PO Box 5095, Ruidoso, NM 88303. To be used in the purchase of the Village of Ruidoso Downs...

1812 2T(4)18, 22

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CALL FOR BIDS

The Ruidoso Board of Education wishes to receive bids for maintenance and control supplies. Specifications are available in the office of the Superintendent of Schools...

Bids will be received in the office of the Superintendent by 4:00 P.M. May 10, 1998. BIDS MUST BE SEALED AND MARKED "BID FOR MAINTENANCE AND CONTROL SUPPLIES"...

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1808 2T(4)22, 24

LEGAL NOTICE

NEW MEXICO ENVIRONMENTAL DEPARTMENT

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission Regulations, the following proposed discharge plans have been submitted for approval to the New Mexico Environmental Department...

DR. JAMES VILLAGE OF CAPTAIN, Norman Raulo, Mayor, proposes to renew its discharge plan to discharge 10,000 gallons per day of treated domestic wastewater from its wastewater treatment facility...

Any interested person may obtain further information from the Civil and Water Pollution Prevention Section of the New Mexico Environmental Department...

1808 1T(4)22

LEGAL NOTICE

INVITATION FOR BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Village of Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico calls for sealed bids for INTERIOR CLEANING & RECOATING OF 1MG STEEL RESERVOIR.

Interested bidders may secure a copy of the specifications from the Purchasing Officer at the Ruidoso Purchasing Warehouse, 421 Wingfield, Ruidoso, New Mexico or by phoning 505/257-2721.

Sealed bids will be received by the Purchasing Officer at the Ruidoso Purchasing Warehouse, 421 Wingfield, Ruidoso, New Mexico, until May 6, 1998 at 2:00 p.m. Bids will be opened and read aloud at the Village of Ruidoso Water Department, 119 Highland, Ruidoso, New Mexico. Any bids received after closing time will be returned unopened.

The Village of Ruidoso reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids and to waive all technicalities as allowed by the State of New Mexico Procurement Code.

By Order of the Governing Body / Terri Waterfield Purchasing Agent Village of Ruidoso 1808 1T(4)22

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Notice is hereby given that until 4:00 P.M. April 30, 1998, sealed competitive proposals will be accepted from qualified independent Public Accountants to perform the audit of the Village of Ruidoso, New Mexico for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1998.

Any interested party may obtain specifications from our submit proposals to: Leann Webbwehrt, CMC Village Clerk/Treasurer 122 Downs Drive P.O. Box 504 Ruidoso Downs, NM 88348

All proposals shall be sealed and marked "RUIDOSO AUDIT PROPOSAL 4-30-98". All proposals shall be in writing and the Village Council reserves the right to reject or accept any and/or all proposals in the best interest of the Village.

BY ORDER OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL Leann Webbwehrt, CMC Clerk/Treasurer 1810 2T(4)17, 22

LEGAL NOTICE

The Ruidoso-Lincoln County Esthetic-Shorts Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, May 4, 1998. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 6:00 p.m. in the small meeting room of Village Hall...

1808 1T(4)22

LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT NEW MEXICO

CAUSE NO. CV-97-152 DIVISION II IN RE: The forfeiture of a White 1998 Chevrolet Sprint 2-Door Hatchback bearing Texas license plate 1253172322, and containing CYNTHIA ALMADA, EDUARDO GOMEZ, and vehicle's registered owner, STANLEY L. THOMPSON, Respondents.

NOTICE OF PENDING OF ACTION The State of New Mexico to the above-listed Respondents:

You are hereby notified there is pending in the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, a civil action, being Cause No. CV-97-152-11, in which the State of New Mexico, on behalf of the Lincoln County Narcotics Enforcement Unit, is Plaintiff and you are Respondent.

The general object of said action is a suit for forfeiture of a vehicle, and/or U.S. Currency, and/or property as described above. Unless you enter your appearance in said cause on or before May 22, 1998, judgment will be rendered against you in said cause by default.

Attorney for Plaintiff: JAMES WAYLON COWLEY, Assistant District Attorney, 1000 New York Avenue, 9th 301 Alamosa, New Mexico 88310

Witness my hand and seal of said court in Alamosa, New Mexico, this 19th day of March, 1998.

ALICE BACA-BAXTER District Court Clerk By: Eugenia Vega Deputy 1497 4T(4)18, 22, 24

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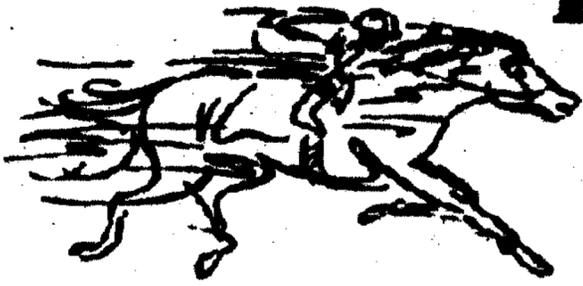
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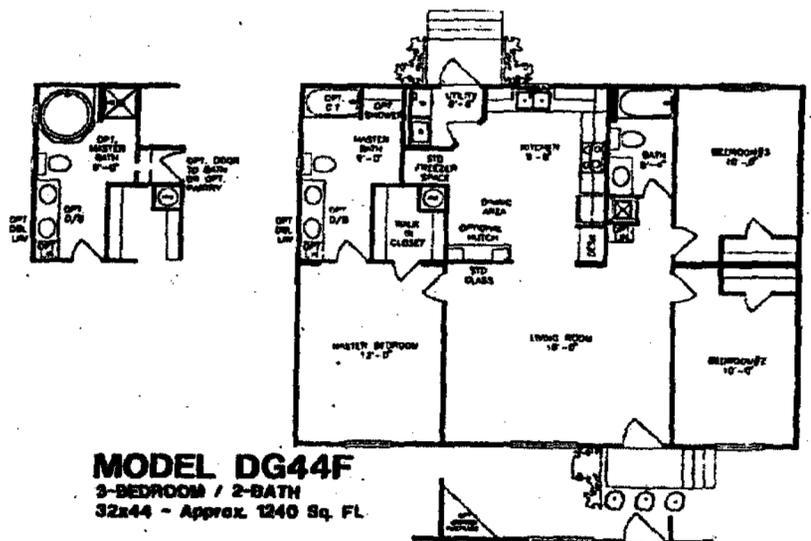
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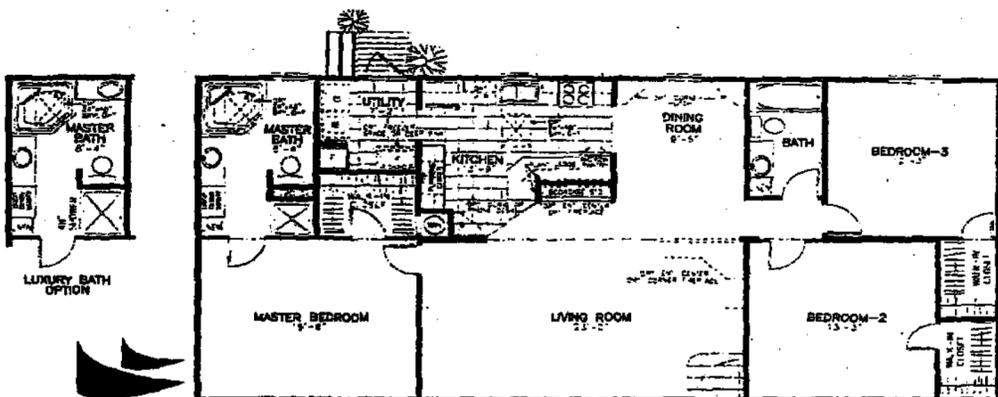
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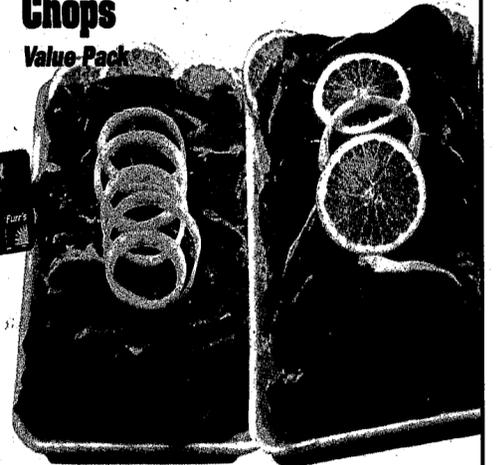
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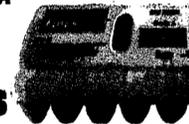
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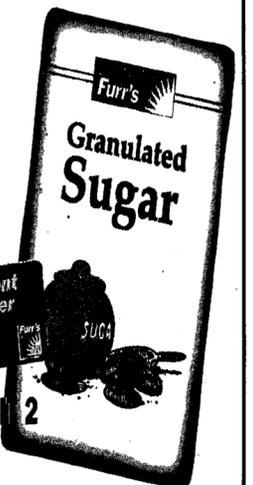
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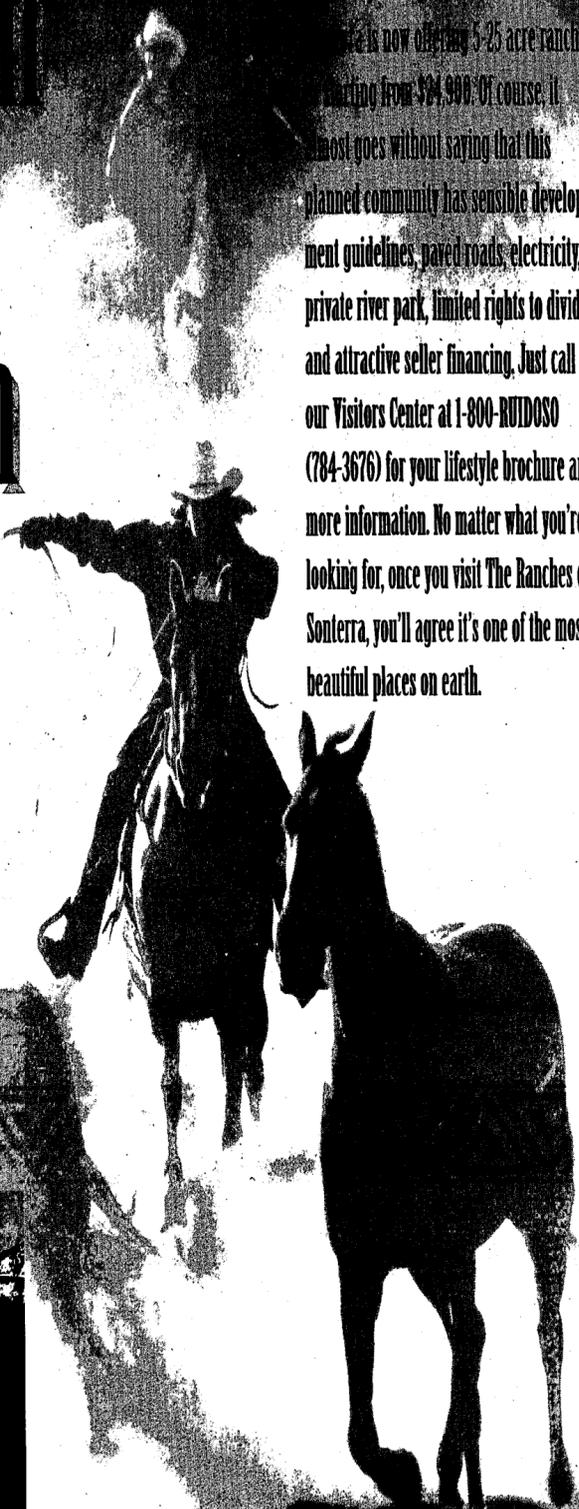
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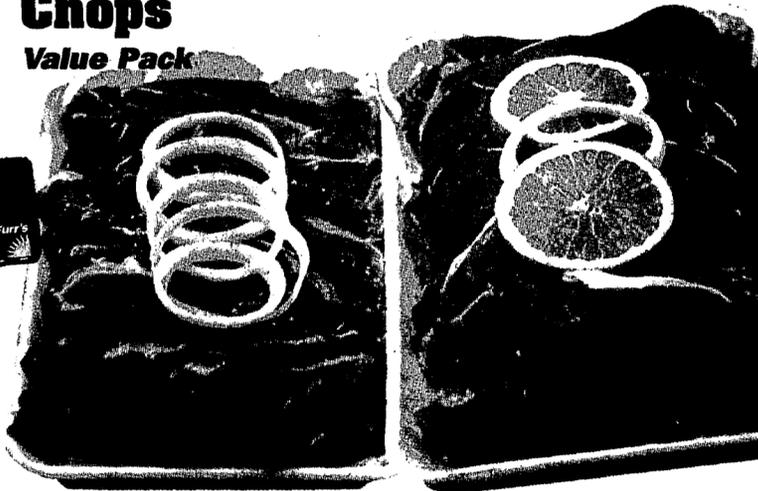
**Hormel Always Tender
Pork Country Style
Ribs
Value Pack**

**or Bone-In Pork Sirloin
Chops**

Value Pack



87¢
lb.



FREE ON WEEKDAYS!

Spend \$50 or more in one transaction using your Frequent Shopper Card Monday thru Friday 4/20 - 4/24/98 only, & receive the items below Free!
*Free item must be redeemed when \$50 purchase transaction is made. Purchase total excludes tobacco & liquor.

1 Gallon
Furr's
Milk



+

24 oz.
Furr's White
Sandwich
Bread



+

1 Doz.
Grade A
Large
Furr's
Eggs

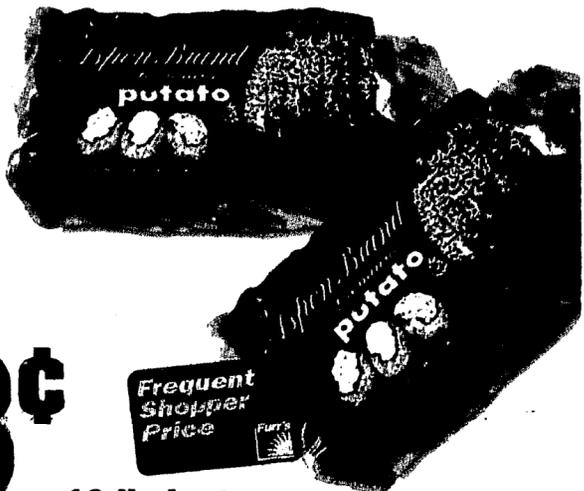


FREE!

**U.S. #1
Colorado
Russet
Potatoes**

78¢

10 lb. bag



**Furr's
Vegetables
Whole Kernel or
Cream Style Corn,
Sweet Peas,
Mixed Vegetables
or Cut Green Beans
(Excluding "No Salt")**

4.100
FOR

14.5 to 15.25 oz. LIMIT 8



**Furr's
Granulated
Sugar**

87¢

4 lb. LIMIT 2



Furr's HALF PRICE Weekends

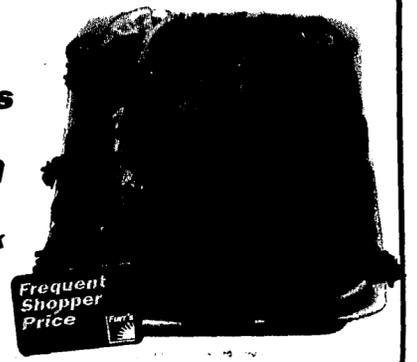
Frequent Shopper

4/25 & 4/26/98 ONLY!

**Boneless
Top
Sirloin
Steak
Value Pack**

1.59
lb.

4/25 & 4/26/98 ONLY



**Sterling
Atlantic
Salmon
Fillets**

Great on the Grill!

3.49
lb.

4/25 & 4/26/98 ONLY



**Furr's
Soft Drinks**

39¢ LIMIT 4
2 liter

4/25 & 4/26/98 ONLY



**MEGA
Macaroni
& Cheese**

**Mega
Macaroni
& Cheese**

15¢ LIMIT 10
7.25 oz.

4/25 & 4/26/98 ONLY



Discounts taken are 50% or more, & are taken off regular prices, not already discounted Frequent Shopper prices. Prices valid on 4/25 & 4/26/98 only.



HayK&S!

SEE PAGE 4
FOR FREE
KIDS CLUB ITEM!

**USE
THE
CARD**

Prices valid 4/22/98 through 4/28/98. "Free on Week Day's" offers valid only Monday thru Friday, 4/20/98 - 4/24/98. Ad prices reflect Furr's Frequent Shopper discounts. To receive Frequent Shopper discounts, Furr's Frequent Shopper card must be presented to cashier at the time of purchase. Regular price will be charged on all purchases made without the Furr's Frequent Shopper Card. We reserve the right to limit quantities. No sales to dealers.

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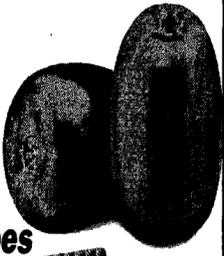
HALF PRICE

Weekends

Frequent Shopper

4/25 & 4/26/98 ONLY!

Red, Ripe Roma Tomatoes



39¢ lb.

4/25 & 4/26/98 ONLY

Sweet, Red Medium, Texas Grapefruit



51.00 FOR

4/25 & 4/26/98 ONLY

Norbest Premium Oven Roasted Turkey Breast



1.98 lb.

4/25 & 4/26/98 ONLY

Dinner Rolls



79¢ 12 ct.

4/25 & 4/26/98 ONLY

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YOUR CHOICE MEAT SALE

Furr's

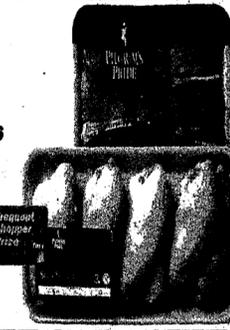
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Your Choice:
Whole Packer Trim Beef Briskets
OR
Ground Beef Regular
10 lbs. or more



99¢ lb.

Your Choice:
Pilgrim's Pride Fresh Grade A Boneless Skinless Chicken Thighs
OR
Split Breasts Jumbo Pack



1.69 lb.

Your Choice:
Oscar Mayer Ham Cooked or Baked
OR
Oscar Mayer "Free" Turkey Breast Smoked or Oven Roasted



1.59 6 oz.

Your Choice:
Mama Rosa 14 Inch Pizza Pepporoni
OR
Deluxe



4.19 48 oz.

Your Choice:
Rudy's Farm Rolled Sausage Regular
OR
Hot



1.79 16 oz.

Your Choice:
Farmland Hot Dogs
OR
All Meat Bologna



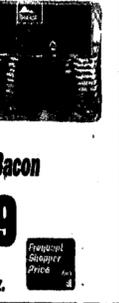
79¢ 12 oz.

Your Choice:
Farmland 4X6 Cooked Ham
OR
4X6 Turkey Breast Oven Roasted, Smoked or Honey



2.39 10 oz.

Your Choice:
Farmland Sliced Bacon



1.69 12 oz.

Your Choice:
Farmland Sliced Cooked Ham
OR
Sliced Honey Ham
OR
Sliced Turkey Breast



3.39 16 oz.

Your Choice:
Bar-S Sliced Bacon
OR
Furr's American Singles



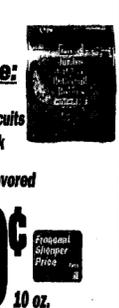
99¢ 8 oz.

Your Choice:
Furr's Meat Bologna
OR
Pickie & Pimento Loaf
OR
Spiced Luncheon Loaf
OR
Salami



1.19 8 oz.

Your Choice:
Furr's Jumbo Biscuits Buttermilk
OR
Butter Flavored



69¢ 10 oz.

Your Choice:
Furr's Half Moon, Colby
OR
Mild Cheddar Cheese



1.79 10 oz.

Your Choice:
Food Club Split Breast
OR
Individually Quick Frozen
OR
State Fair Corn Dogs



3.99 10 ct.

seafood

Jumbo Sea Scallops



8.99 lb.

Dover Sole Fillets Individually Quick Frozen



3.99 lb.

Catfish Fillets Individually Quick Frozen



3.59 lb.

Whole Cooked Crawfish 3.99 lb.

HOME HEALTH AND BEAUTY

Furr's Charcoal



1.99 10 lb.

Colgate Toothpaste



1.99 6 to 6.4 oz.

Benadryl Allergy Relief



Tablets, Kapsels or Softgel

3.99 24 ct.

Bain De Soleil Sunscreen



SPF 4 to 50

7.99 3.12 to 4 oz.

Cialrol Herbal Essences Shampoo or Conditioner



2.69 12 oz.

Loreal Kids Shampoo, Conditioner or Styling Aids



2.50 FOR 9 oz.

Bic Original Razor



1.99 10 ct.

Studio Styling Aids



1.99 6 to 8.5 oz.

FURR'S VIDEO RENTAL ONLY 49¢ Where else.

Flubber



15.95 each

Fuji Quick Snap



6.99 each

Kodak PREMIUM PROCESSING

FREE 2nd Set EVERY DAY

Duracell Batteries



AAA or AA

3.49 4 pack

Furr's

Where else.

Compare to Sunny Delight!

Furr's Citrus Punch



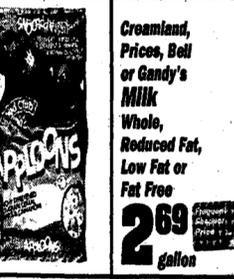
99¢ 64 oz.

Doritos Tortilla Chips



25.00 FOR 10 to 14.5 oz.

Food Club Bag Cereal



1.59 13.75 to 16 oz.

Furr's Creamland, Prices, Bell or Gandy's Milk



Whole, Reduced Fat, Low Fat or Fat Free

2.69 gallon

Tropicana Frozen Orange Juice



99¢ 12 oz.

Furr's Grade A Large Eggs



1.29 18 ct.

Furr's Pinto Beans



2.19 4 lb.

Bueno Green Chile



3.29 28 oz.

Ocean Spray Grapefruit Juice



1.99 64 oz.

Pringles Potato Crisps



1.19 6 to 7 oz.

Country Charm Yogurt



2.88 FOR 8 oz.

Fieldcrest Frozen Assorted Pops



1.99 18 pack

Heinz Squeeze Ketchup



1.79 28 oz.

Schilling Italian Dry Seasonings



Alfredo Pasta, Italian or Thick & Zesty Spaghetti

99¢ 1.25 oz. to 1.5 oz.

Furr's Ultra 2 Detergent



3.69 60 oz.

Purina Cat Chow



Regular, Tuna or Meow Mix

5.99 6.3 to 7 lb.

BEVERAGES

Pepsi Cola, Dr Pepper or 7up



1.59 6 pack, 12 oz. cans

Corona, Pacifico, Modelo Especial or Negra Modelo Beer



5.49 6 pack, 12 oz. bottles

Miller Lite Beer



6.99 12 pack, 12 oz. cans or bottles

Corbet Canyon Wine Cabernet Chardonnay or Merlot



7.99 1.5 liter

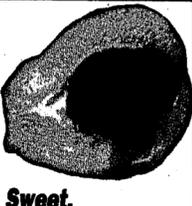
WET-N-WILD BEST DEAL OF THE YEAR SALE
ONLY AT FURR'S: GOOD ANY DAY TICKETS \$8.50 (PLUS TAX).
 Save up to \$8.00 when you buy tickets at furr's. Where else.
TICKETS ARE GOOD FOR ANY DAY OF THE 1998 SEASON
INCLUDING ALL HOLIDAY WEEKENDS AND SPECIAL EVENTS.
BUY AS MANY TICKETS AS YOU LIKE FOR ONLY \$8.50,
BUT HURRY THIS SALE ABSOLUTELY ENDS
WHEN WET-N-WILD OPENS ON MAY 2.



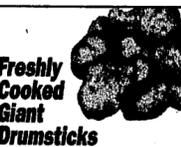
Red, Ripe, Whole Watermelon
39¢ lb.
Frequent Shopper Price



Super Select Cucumbers
399¢ FOR
Frequent Shopper Price

 <p>Red, Ripe Tomatoes 79¢ 4 pack <small>Frequent Shopper Price</small></p>	 <p>Medium, Washington Anjou Pears 69¢ lb. <small>Frequent Shopper Price</small></p>	 <p>Sweet, Mexican Papaya 59¢ lb. <small>Frequent Shopper Price</small></p>	 <p>Fresh Red Leaf Lettuce 99¢ each <small>Frequent Shopper Price</small></p>
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 <p>Fresh, Mexican Pineapple 2300 FOR <small>Frequent Shopper Price</small></p>	 <p>Monterey Whole Portabella Mushrooms 279 6 oz. pkg. <small>Frequent Shopper Price</small></p>	 <p>Dole Classic Salad 129 16 oz. pkg. <small>Frequent Shopper Price</small></p>	 <p>Red, Ripe California Strawberries 189 16 oz. pkg. <small>Frequent Shopper Price</small></p>
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BAKERY		DELI	
 <p>Dessert Cakes 499 8 inch <small>Frequent Shopper Price</small></p>	 <p>Lemon Meringue Pie 299 8 inch <small>Frequent Shopper Price</small></p>	 <p>Hormel Premium Hams 399 lb. <small>Frequent Shopper Price</small></p>	 <p>Freshly Cooked Giant Drumsticks 399 7 ct. <small>Frequent Shopper Price</small></p>
 <p>Specialty Breads Assorted Varieties 199 16 oz. <small>Frequent Shopper Price</small></p>	 <p>Quick Pick Glazed Donuts 299 12 ct. box <small>Frequent Shopper Price</small></p>	 <p>Wisconsin Colby or Cheddar Cheese 299 lb. <small>Frequent Shopper Price</small></p>	 <p>Crockett's Kitchen Salads 99¢ lb. <small>Frequent Shopper Price</small></p>

FLORAL

 <p>Blooming Cactus 399 4.5 inch <small>Frequent Shopper Price</small></p>	 <p>Spring Celebration Bouquet 499 each <small>Frequent Shopper Price</small></p>
 <p>Aloe Vera 699 6 inch <small>Frequent Shopper Price</small></p>	 <p>Bromeliad 1599 6 inch <small>Frequent Shopper Price</small></p>



Kids! Get a FREE Kids Club Balloon!
 WITH YOUR KIDS CLUB CARD
 AVAILABLE 4/22 THROUGH 4/27 ONLY
 ONE BALLOON PER CARDHOLDER PLEASE



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The store that saves you more

AFFILIATED FOODS INC.
 MEMBER STORE
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PILGRIM'S PRIDE JUMBO PACK



Drumsticks or Thighs
59¢ LB.
SMALL PACK 69¢



Milk
SHURFINE/SHURSAVING PREMIUM QUALITY HOMOGENIZED OR LOWFAT ALL VARIETIES

188 GALLON



Cello Wrapped Tomatoes
99¢ 4 CT. PACK



Crisco Oil
NATURAL BLEND VEGETABLE PURITAN CANOLA-CORN

159 48 OZ.



HUGGIES Diapers
SUPREME SIZES 1-5, 18-34 CT. OVERNITES SIZES 3-4, 20-24 CT. ULTRATHIN SIZES 3-5, 22-32 CT.

599



KRAFT Velveeta
REGULAR OR LIGHT

399 32 OZ.

FREE

Breakfast on us!



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Just Purchase One **MIRRO CLASSIC 10 Inch Sauté Pan**
999

FOR ONLY **AND RECEIVE**



ONE DOZEN SHURFINE GRADE "A" Large Eggs **FREE**



11 OZ. SHURFINE LINK Pork Sausage **FREE**



7.5 OZ. SWEETMILK OR BUTTERMILK Shurfine Biscuits **FREE**



12 OZ. SHURFINE Orange Juice **FREE**

ASSORTED
**Fritos®
or Chee-tos®**
REG. \$2.19

Fritos *cheetos*
CRUNCHY

CAMPBELL'S
**Tomato
Soup**
10.7 OZ.

\$3
2 for

59¢



SQUEEZE BOTTLE
**Sue Bee
Honey**
12 OZ.

1.89



LITE, FRENCH ROAST
ITALIAN ESPRESSO ROAST OR
COLOMBIAN SUPREME
**Maxwell House
F.A.C. Coffee**
11-13 OZ.

\$5
2 for

Spring



PURINA
CAT CHOW OR
**Meow
Mix**
18 LB.

7.99



REG., MULTI CAT
OR S.O.C.
**Tidy
Scoop**
7 LB.

2.79



ASSORTED
REG. OR R/CRISP
**Pringles
Snacks**
6-7 OZ.

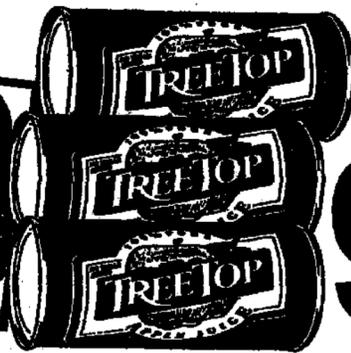
99¢



KRAFT ASSTD.
DELUXE
MAC & CHEESE OR
**Velveeta
Dinners**
9.4-14 OZ.

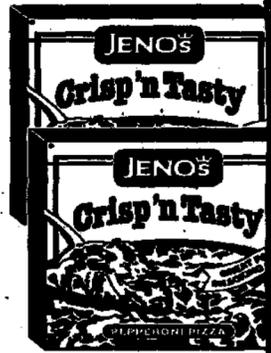
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Key Buys!
Look for "Key Buy"
Signs throughout the
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Key Buys
Save
you
more!



TREE TOP
**Apple
Juice**
12 OZ.

99¢



Dairy Delights

SOFT
**Parkay
Margarine**
16 OZ. TUB

1.19



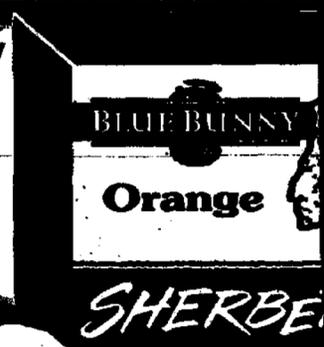
PARKAY
**Soft
MARGARINE**

PARKAY
**Soft
MARGARINE**

Frozen

ASSORTED
**Blue Bunny
Sherbet**
HALF GALLON

1.79



BLUE BUNNY
Orange

SHERBET



ASSORTED KRAFT
**Shredded
Cheese**
8 OZ.

1.79

BLUE BUNNY ORANGE OR
RAINBOW
Cool Tubes
6 PACK

1.89



ORANGE
**COOL
TUBES**

SELECT GROUP KLEENEX

Facial Tissue
70-175 CT.

99¢



KLEENEX WHITE
Dinner Napkins
45 CT.

1.29



KLEENEX VIVA
Paper Towels
ROLL

79¢



shower
Spring



KLEENEX COTTONELLE
WHITE OR ULTRA
Bath Tissue
4 ROLL PKG.

99¢

ASSORTED FLAVORS
Squeezit
6 PACK/6-7 OZ.

99¢



ASSORTED BETTY CROCK
FRUIT ROLL-UPS OR
Fruit by the Foot
4-5 OZ.

1.69



CHOCOLATE CHUNK OR HONEY
GENERAL MILLS

Golden Grahams
Treats
6.2 OZ.

1.69



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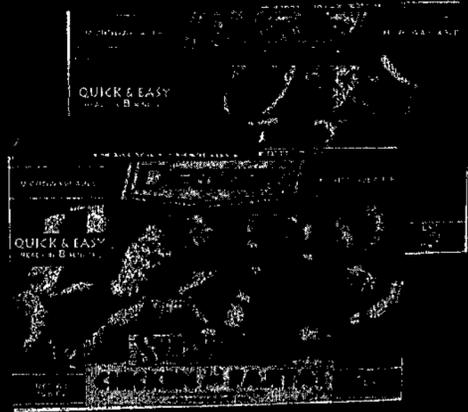


CINNAMON TOAST CRUNCH
FRENCH TOAST CRUNCH, TRIx
FROSTED CHERRIOS OR WHEATIES
General Mills
Cereal
12-18 OZ.

2 for \$5

DECKER
Jalapeno
Loaf
12 OZ.

59¢



DECKER

BEEF FRANKS

DECKER
Beef
Franks
12 OZ.

1.39



FRANKS



DECKER RANCH BRAND
Smoked
Sausage
12 OZ.

99¢

DECKER
Beef
Chorizo
8 OZ.

1.19



DECKER
All Beef
Bologna
12 OZ.

1.39

DECKER

BACON

DECKER REG., MAPLE OR
MESQUITE

Sliced
Bacon
12 OZ.

99¢

DECKER

Country Style
Pork Sausage

DECKER BREAKFAST
Country
Sausage
1 LB.

1.19



DECKER



DECKER REGULAR OR THICK

Meat
Bologna
12 OZ.

\$1
2 for 1





HICKORY SMOK
MESQUITE
**Bull's Eye
BBQ Sauce**
16 OZ.

\$3
2 for



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Savings

ASSORTED VARIETIES
**Thick & Chunky
Pace Salsa**
16 OZ.

179



MILD OR
MEDIUM
**Pace
Queso**
15 OZ.

239



LIGHT & TANGY,
COCKTAIL OR
PICANTE VEGETABLE
**V8
Juice**
46 OZ.

199



ASSTD. REG., SUPREME
OR CHUNKY PREGO
**Spaghetti
Sauce**
27.7-28 OZ.

169

149



ASSORTED
REG. OR FREE
**Kraft
Dressing**
8 OZ.

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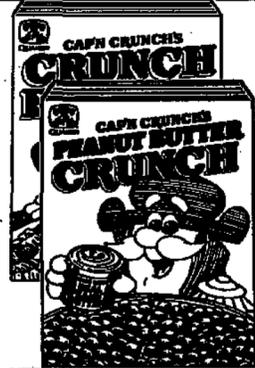
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**Jeno's
Pizza**
7.2-8.1 OZ.

99¢



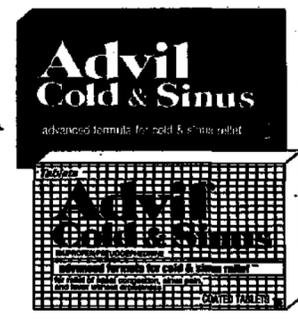
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**Pizza
Rolls**
7.5 OZ.

155



ASSORTED CEREAL
**Cap'n
Crunch**
15-16 OZ.

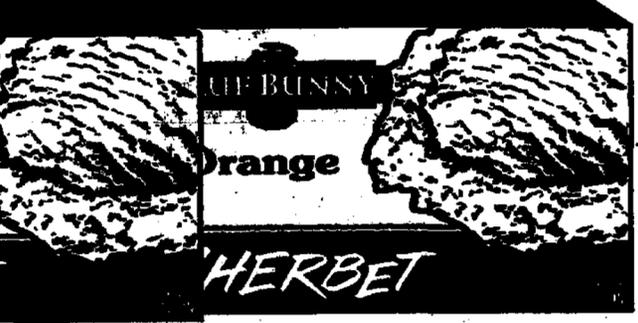
\$4
2 for



TABLETS OR CAPLETS
**Advil
Cold & Sinus**
20 CT.

459

Foods



SWEET PEAS, NIBLETS CORN
OR MIXED VEGETABLES
**Green Giant
Vegetables**
16 OZ.

99¢

Health & Beauty

ASSORTED
**White Rain
Hair Care**
YOUR CHOICE

99¢



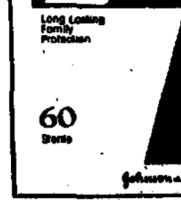
7 OZ. HAIRSPRAY OR
SPRITZ
4 OZ. STYLING GEL
13.5 - 15 OZ. SHAMPOO OR
CONDITIONER
5 OZ. MOUSSE

ASSTD. SHEER
**Band-Aid
Bandages**
60 CT.

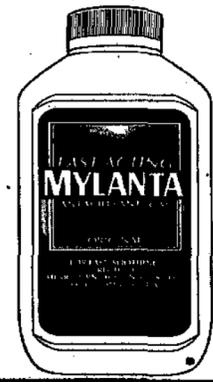
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SPORT STRIP
**Band-Aid
Bandages**
30 CT.

169



BAND-AID®
VE BANDAGES



REGULAR STRENGTH
ASSORTED LIQUID
Mylanta
12 OZ.

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MEAT

SMALL
PACK
69¢

PILGRIM'S PRIDE JUMBO PACK

Drumsticks
or Thighs

59¢
LB.

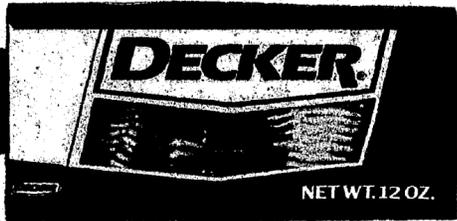
FRESH BEEF
Spare Ribs LB. **99¢**

TENDERIZED BEEF
Cube Steak LB. **2³⁹**

SANTA FE 10 INCH FLOUR
Tortillas 10 CT. **1¹⁹**

SANTA FE CORN
Tortillas 32 CT. **99¢**

MAMA ROSA'S STUFFED CRUST
PEPPERONI OR
SUPREME
Pizzas 1 LB. **1⁹⁹**



PREFERRED TRIM FAMILY PACK
PORK
Sirloin
Chops LB. **1¹⁹**

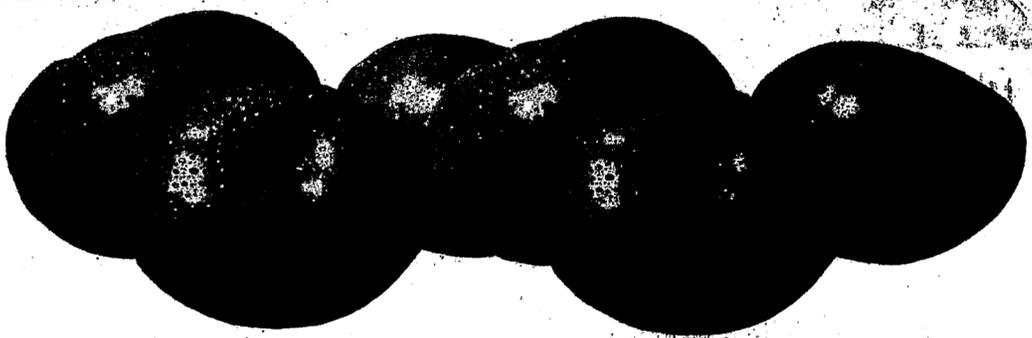
PREFERRED TRIM BONELESS BEEF
PETITES
Sirloin
Steaks LB. **2¹⁹**

REG., MAPLE OR MESQUITE
DECKER
Sliced
Bacon 12 OZ. **99¢**

REGULAR OR THICK SLICED
DECKER
Meat
Bologna 12 OZ. **2 for \$1**

PRODUCE

1015 TEXAS
Yellow Onions
LB. **59¢**

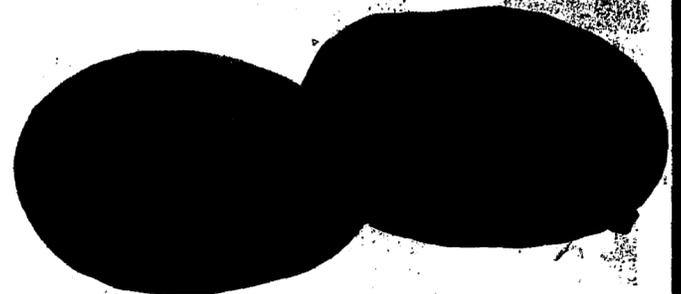


CELLO WRAPPED
Tomatoes **99¢**
4 CT.
PKG.

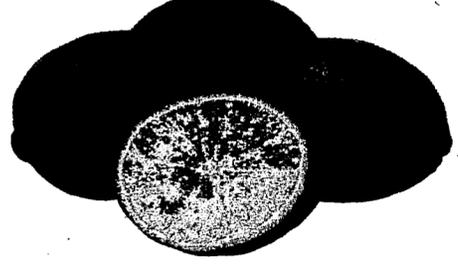
DOLE
AMERICAN BLEND
Salad Mix
10 OZ. **1⁶⁹**



JUICY TROPICAL
Mangos
3 for \$1



JEWEL GREEN
Limes
6 for \$1



KRAFT REG. OR LIGHT VELVEETA
Spread
32 OZ. LOAF
\$3⁹⁹



HUGGIES ASSTD. PULL UPS, SUPREMES
STEPS, OVERNITES OR ULTRA TRIMS
Diapers
13-34 CT.
\$5⁹⁹

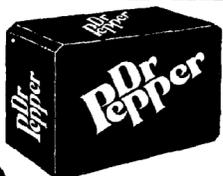


CRISCO NON STICK
COOKING
Spray
8 OZ. BTL.
\$1⁷⁹
CRISCO ASSORTED
Oil
48 OZ. BTL.
\$1⁵⁹



MAXWELL HOUSE ASSTD.
Coffee
11-13 OZ. CAN
2 FOR \$5

ALL TYPES
**Dr
Pepper**
12 PK. 12 OZ. CANS
\$2⁹⁹



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THRIFTWAY - MEMPHIS, TX

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