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Encounters with bears increase with dry weather

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Gail and Jerry DeLong were relaxing along a stream Tuesday on the Mescalero Apache Reservation at the west end of Upper Canyon, when the newcomers to Ruidoso experienced their first encounter with the area's most famous residents - black bears.

"My husband had caught four trout and we had changed our location," Gail DeLong said. "He was trying out his fly rod. I had my book and we were relaxing and enjoying ourselves."

About 6 p.m., she turned around and saw an adult bear standing less than 20 feet away.

"I'm a newcomer, but it was the biggest bear I've ever seen in my life," DeLong said. "His

head had to be three feet across. He had to be 10-foot tall standing up. It was huge.

"I said to Jerry, 'Come to the car, now. Do not ask any questions. Come to the car now.'" He didn't know what was going on. I had never been this close to a bear in my life and it was huge and it was standing there looking at us."

The Illinois couple edged around the car to stay out of the line of sight of the big bear, but discovered another smaller bear inside the vehicle drinking their non-alcoholic beer and munching on some menthol cough drops and a camera they had just received that morning for signing up as a Northwest bank customer.

"It was wrapped in plastic and I think he thought it was a Twinkie," DeLong said.

The couple approached within about five feet

of the car and the small intruder left, allowing them to get inside and rolled up the windows.

"I'm considerably overweight, but I told my husband he almost saw me climb a pine tree," DeLong said. "I don't know if this happens all the time, but we've been here a month and everybody has said, 'Aw, you know. We've been here five years and we never saw a bear.' Or one man said he saw a small cub a couple years ago on the road." /

After the experience, the couple agreed they should talk to a game warden or forester to find out what to do if they have another close encounter of the bruin kind.

"I absolutely adore animals," DeLong said. "We used to live in San Diego and the zoo and wild animal park there are renown for putting

the animals in natural habitat, but you know what, it's different when you're sitting along a stream and you're not expecting that and you turn around and there's a bear right in back of you. It makes me realize how ignorant I am about (wild animals)."

The DeLongs weren't the only people bothered by bears this week. Five incidents were reported Monday and Tuesday, three in the Bonito Lake/West Lake Campground area operated by the city of Alamogordo in Lincoln County.

The first occurred at 7:35 p.m. Monday at the campground when a caller reported a bear

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Zoo to You



Jan Dosch, holding a large tortoise shell, shares the stage Thursday morning at Ruidoso Public Library's storytime with "Julio," a parrot. Dosch and Julio are with the educational program, "Zoo to You," provided by the Rio Grande Zoo and sponsored by the Phelps Dodge Mining Co.

Toni K. Laxson/Ruidoso News

Hearing to be held on garbage, water rates

• Proposed residential water rates are \$18.12 a month and garbage collection at \$10.25 a month.

BY TONI K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Ruidoso Village councilors may vote Tuesday on a \$2.75 increase to residential garbage collection rates and a \$5.62 increase to residential water rates.

A vote by the council is expected to follow a public hearing at 6:30 p.m. in Ruidoso Village Hall, 313 Cree Meadows Drive, on the proposed rate increases.

The hearing will be the council's third on proposed rate increases.

In addition to the above rates, the council is to consider a \$3.75 increase per dumpster to commercial garbage collection rates.

The water rate increase will be the first for Ruidoso since 1984, village leaders say.

The current rates do not cover expenses of Ruidoso's water system, administrators said. At the current rate, the system is projected to operate \$237,000 in the red this year, Village Manager Alan Briley said at an earlier workshop on this issue.

The current residential water rate of \$12.50 would go up to \$18.12 for the first 4,000 gallons of water used. After 4,000 gallons, a fee of \$1.75 will be charged for every additional 1,000 gallons up to 25,000 gallons, when the commodity rate increases significantly.

To encourage conservation, the village is proposing a \$5 commodity fee for every 1,000 gallons used over 35,000, and a \$6 fee for every 1,000 gallons used over 55,000. Usage of more than 75,000 gallons carries an additional fee of \$9.75 per 1,000 gallons. The commodity rates continue to climb with increased usage.

Commercial water rates are also set to increase, from \$15 to \$21.75 a month for a .75-inch line (the size of line typically used by a home), and from \$25 to \$36.25 for 1-inch and 1.5-inch lines. A 2-inch line would cost \$72.50 a month rather than \$50 under the proposal.

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Billy the Kid Byways receives national status

• Exhibits at the byways visitors' center, which opened last week, may be on the sparse side now, but federal funding may be available soon to spruce them up, a coordinator said.

BY TONI K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Bill Hirschfeld is much more impressed this week with the national designation bestowed on the Billy the Kid Scenic Byways last week.

"The opportunities and the exposure of this designation are 10-fold of what I had imagined," Hirschfeld said Thursday in a memo to Ruidoso Mayor Robert Donaldson.

After attending a state workshop on byways earlier this week, Hirschfeld believes the national designation may translate into significant federal funding and promotion of the 90-minute driving tour through Lincoln County.

"They are going to be promoting this on our behalf," he said. "We could derive from this, over the next couple of years, millions of dollars in free promotion."

Based on information he collected at this week's workshop, sponsored by the New Mexico Department of Tourism, that publicity will target bus tour groups and other tourism organizations, he said.

And when state and national maps are printed, they will indicate the Billy the Kid Scenic Byways loop, which circles from Ruidoso to Hondo and includes historic, cultural and scenic attractions, Hirschfeld said.

The national designation could result in publicity through publications such as Life magazine and the TV Guide, he said.

In addition, the state tourism

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Alan Briley, right, village manager, and Jerry Mattox, manager of the visitors center, confer at a fork in the road.

Toni K. Laxson/Ruidoso News

State imposes fire restrictions

Effective today, the state's forestry division is enacting fire restrictions for smoking, campfires and open fires, officials said.

The restrictions apply to all state and private lands in New Mexico.

Currently, there also are fire restrictions for Ruidoso, Ruidoso Downs, Lincoln County and the Lincoln National Forest.

Fires for all wildland agencies are increasing daily because of dry conditions, said Toby Martinez, a state forester, in a prepared statement. Martinez said smoking is restricted to designated areas, within buildings and to cars with ashtrays.

Charcoal broilers and wood and coal grills and stoves used outside buildings are classified as campfires, he said. They are prohibited except in developed campgrounds or areas designated in writing by the landowner.

For more information, contact the Forestry Division at (505) 827-5830.

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RUIDOSO'S THREE-DAY WEATHER OUTLOOK

FRIDAY High ... 85
Low ... 44
Sunny

SATURDAY High ... 87
Low ... 48
Sunny

SUNDAY High ... 89
Low ... 48
Sunny

WEATHER ALMANAC

Ruidoso Readings	High	Low	Precip.
Tuesday	77	42	.00"
Wednesday	82	45	.00"
Thursday	82	44	.00"

Regional-Wednesday	High	Low	Forecast
Albuquerque	93	55	Sunny
El Paso, TX	102	67	Sunny
Lubbock, TX	100	68	Sunny
Midland, TX	102	70	Sunny



Weather data courtesy of meteorologist Cam Moore
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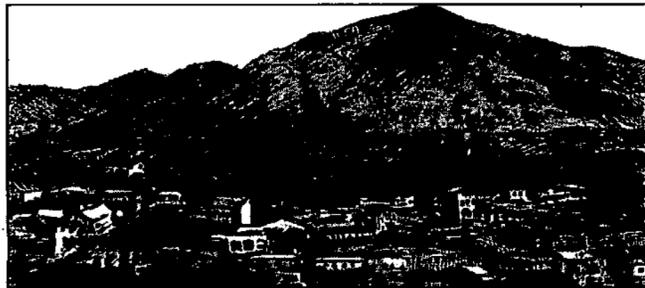
June/July phases of the moon

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White Oaks - Main Street.

I.C. SCRAPBOOK

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

White Oaks Eagle

June 11, 1900

A "Backcapper" in a mining district is a leach and a robber in disguise.

There are men in Lincoln County who have grown rich up on the misfortunes of others. We intend to expose some of these "backcappers" soon and when our exposure is

given it will in a measure explain why some of the best mines in the county have not been worked in the past.

The Helen Rey and American mines at Nogal have been the victims of a lot of ghouls who have grown fat upon their ability to deceive the real owners of these mines.

County politics are warming up a little early in Lincoln County. It seems to be the determination to see that competent and honest officers are elected this fall.

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BEARS: people need to take steps so encounters with bears are avoided

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going into tents and attacking a recreational vehicle. Apparently, the bear was not afraid of people, probably because it has been fed by visitors.

Game Warden Ron Moore says that type of bear can become a nuisance or danger to humans. He also reminds people that it is against the law to leave food out for bears. The fine for feeding bears can range from \$50 to \$500 and up to six months in jail for each offense.

About the same time, Monday a security guard at the lake reported a problem with a big red bear. And at 2:04 a.m., Tuesday, a request came in for a deputy to help security inhibitor a bear who came back to a camping area and was trying to enter tents. A few hours earlier, two residents off U.S. 48 reported incidents with bears trying to enter their houses and pacing around outside their homes.

Opinions differ on how human should react if they unexpectedly are confronted by a bear. Many hikers wear bells or carry whistles, hoping the noise will warn bears of their approach and prevent taking one by surprise, which might cause it to act defensively.

Experts generally recommend standing still and averting your eyes if confronted by a bear. Speak softly. Bears appear to be reassured by a calm manner. Move slowly if the bear has not yet seen you and you think it's possible to slip away.

If attacked, some experts say to roll into a ball and protect your head. Others say fight back with anything at hand — a walking stick, branch or try pepper spray with a strong propulsion.

But all agree, taking precautions to avoid bears in the first place is the best course. That includes hiking during the day, not at dusk or dark when the nocturnal bears naturally roam. Winter weather is no insurance either, because New Mexico bears are not true hibernators and may leave their dens.

Forester John Brown said with dry conditions and fewer berries and other food sources available in the wilderness, bears are more likely to come into populated areas looking for an easy meal at dumpsters, campsites and houses.

"You should make sure your trash is in a sealed container, even if it's inside the house," Brown said. "Don't put it on your porch or deck or next to an open window — that's an open invitation. Try a garage where there is less air circulation."

Campers should put food and refuse in the truck of their cars, he said.

Definitely, don't put anything inside the tents," Brown said. "Bears detect food by smell and sight. They already have come to associate ice chests with food and the scent of people with food."

Campers also are urged to clean all utensils and to carry their dish water to a restroom for disposal, because the odor will be masked.

Other information and hints from the New Mexico Game and Fish Department include:

- Allowing a bear to eat garbage may fatten it, but often doesn't deliver adequate nutrition.

- Bears are attracted to scent of film. Keep your camera locked in your trunk.

- The average male weighs about 350 pounds and is about

3.5 feet (on all fours) at the shoulder.

- Although called black bears, the color of their coats may be blonde or reddish brown.

- You can tell if a bear has been foraging in an area by looking for overturned rocks and tree stumps and torn apart rotten trees and logs.

- Feeding a bear may turn it into a nuisance and lead to its relocation or destruction.

- Bears are good climbers and naturally reclusive.

- Bears may mark their territory by chewing, scratching and rubbing against trees and sign posts. Look for marks or remnants of fur.

- Bears gravitate to rivers, which provide water, cover while traveling, forage, fishing and playing areas.

- When backpacking, hang food and trash about 10 feet high, out of the reach of a black bear that can stand upright about six feet tall. Keep food and trash away from the sleeping areas.



Black bears sometimes get into area dumpsters when scrounging for food. (Darlene Stallings/Ruidoso News)

DESIGNATION: the federal recognition could mean national publicity

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department is expected to put funding and promotional efforts behind the lyway, now one of four in New Mexico with the national designation.

"It puts us on the top for funding," he said.

Last week, the Billy the Kid Scenic Byways was one of 33 scenic roadways, listed by U.S. Secretary of Transportation Rodney E. Slater as 1998 All-American Roads or National Scenic Byways.

Criteria for the byways include their scenic, natural, historic, cultural, archaeological or recreational qualities. Hirschfeld said new byways are designations every two or three years.

The designation came the same week as the opening of the Billy the Kid Scenic Byways Interpretative Center, or Visitors Center, next to the Museum of the Horse in Ruidoso Downs.

The \$325,000 federally

funded center, open 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. seven days a week, still needs work on its exhibits, Hirschfeld said last week at one of two grand opening celebrations for the center.

The committee already has applied for a \$167,000 federal grant to enhance the center's exhibits.

The visitors center offers the same tour as the byway, only it can be done on foot and in much less time. Half of the center is dedicated to a mock byways, where people can walk about the attractions along the way.

The other half of the museum is a gift shop operated by the Museum of the Horse. In exchange for the gift shop, the museum is operating the center without charge for Ruidoso, through which the byways funds are channeled. Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs have a joint powers agreement for maintaining the center.

The byways and the center

have been in the works for years, Hirschfeld said in an earlier interview. The project took the time it did largely because of the bureaucracy involved, he said earlier.

On Wednesday, Hirschfeld expressed gratitude to the Hubbard Foundation, the benevolence organization of racetrack owners Joan Dale and R.D. Hubbard, for the initial contribution to get the byways off the ground. The foundation donated the land for the center, which in turn helped the village meet a matching grant requirement, he said. That parcel of land, right off of U.S. Highway 70, was appraised several years ago at \$120,000, he said.

"But I think it's worth more than that now," he said.

Hirschfeld said the center has about \$15,000 available now for continued improvements, which may include trying to improve acoustics at the center as well as graveling the parking lot.

Exhibits now at the center include a miniature Fort Stanton and a Smokey the Bear cutout. Proposed additional exhibits for the center include a spaceship to denote Roswell, a giant-sized ViewMaster, to show local attractions, and a huge slot machine with information about the Inn of the Mountain Gods and Casino Apache, coordinators said.

The byway committee at the outset didn't request enough money to pay for all the planned exhibits, Hirschfeld said.

"We only budgeted \$58,000 and we needed about \$258,000," he said. "It's just because we don't know the museum business."

Jerry Mattox, who will oversee the center, said between 40 and 50 people toured the center on June 10, the first day it opened. He and other coordinators estimated as many as 10,000 people may tour the center in a year.

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Construction will begin on Monday, June 22nd on Ski Run Road. This section will be closed from June 22nd until July 3rd. There is extreme fire danger on the Forest Service lands going up the Ski Basin Road.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Camp Sierra-Blanca escapee arrested

A 17-year-old juvenile inmate who escaped last March from Camp Sierra Blanca was arrested at a mobile home park in Albuquerque.

Police arrested Shawn Gabilondo June 6 on an escape warrant, according to Eddie Bender of the state Department of Children, Youth and Families.

Gabilondo, whose family lives in Albuquerque, escaped March 11 during a shift change at the minimum security juvenile detention camp for boys about 13 miles northeast of Ruidoso.

He was the first to run from the camp operated by Associated Marine Institutes

based in Florida, which emphasizes rehabilitation and building of self-esteem.

The boy apparently climbed out a bathroom window about 10:55 p.m. He was serving a one-year sentence for possession of marijuana and auto theft.

He arrived at the camp Nov. 6, 1997 and his sentence would have run out Sept. 25.

"The juvenile probation officer will get with the district attorney to decide if escape charges will be pressed," Bender said. "He certainly will serve out the remainder of his sentence."

Fire breaks out at Fox Cave

Besides a 600-acre fire just

northeast of Lincoln County, fire crews on Wednesday battled a 3-acre fire near Fox Cave off of U.S. Highway 70, a state fire official said.

Lynn Hutchison, a state fire official at the Capitan office, said no one was injured in the fires and no structures were burned, though an air tanker had to save one building from being consumed by the larger grass fire near Roswell.

Firefighters doused the Fox Cave area fire in about six hours Wednesday, Hutchison said.

The fire started at about 12:45 p.m. The cause of the fire is unknown.

FUNERALS DEATHS

Maira Ariana Figueroa

Funeral services for Maira Ariana Figueroa, 16, of Ruidoso, will be 3-5 p.m. today at LaGrone Funeral Chapel. Prayer service will be 6 p.m. today at St. Eleanor's Catholic Church. Funeral Mass will be in the church at 10 a.m. Saturday with the Rev. Richard Catanach officiating. Burial is to follow at Forest Lawn Cemetery.

She died Tuesday from injuries sustained in a car accident.

Born Nov. 11, 1981, in Whittier, Calif., she was a high school junior and a member of St. Eleanor's Catholic Church. She moved to Ruidoso two and a half years ago from Brea, Calif.

Survivors include parents, Alfredo and Maria Figueroa of Ruidoso, and sister, Eliana, also of Ruidoso.

Mary Ann Stark

Visitation for Mary Ann Stark, 64, of Ruidoso was on June 14 at LaGrone Funeral Chapel.

Funeral services were on

Monday also at LaGrone Funeral Chapel with the Rev. Wayne Joyce and Rev. Randy Widener officiating. Graveside services was on Tuesday at the Nevill Cemetery in Tahoka, Texas.

She died June 12 at her home in Ruidoso.

Born Nov. 18, 1933, in West Point, Texas, she was a member of Altrusa and the Vocational Nursing Association. A teacher, she was a wonderful piano player and played for the First Baptist Church in Seagraves. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Ruidoso and a store manager for Ritchie Distributing Convenience Store on Sudderth Drive. She moved to Ruidoso 27 years ago from Tahoka.

She married Jack Stark Jr. on Nov. 18, 1951, in Tahoka.

Survivors include husband, Jack of Ruidoso; son and daughter-in-law, R.T. and Gail Stark of Tahoka; son, Rickey Stark of El Paso; daughter and son-in-law, Robin and Darren Campbell of Morris, Okla.; mother, Clifford Tankersley of Tahoka; sister and brother-in-law, Sheila and Wendell Norman of Ruidoso; and eight

grandchildren.

The family has requested memorials be made to Hospice of Lincoln County.

Billie Jo Warren

Funeral services for Billie Jo Warren, 71, of Maljamar and a longtime resident of Lea County, will be 2 p.m. today at St. Mary's Episcopal Church in Lovington with the Rev. Williams officiating. Burial is to follow at Lovington Cemetery under the direction of Bethany Funeral Home.

She died Wednesday at Nor-Lea General Hospital in Lovington.

Born in Clemscott, Okla., on May 26, 1927, she was manager of the radio station at 105.1 FM in Maljamar.

Survivors include husband, Roy Lee Warren; sons, Gregory Lynn Warren of Ruidoso, Woodrow Michael Warren of Ruidoso Downs and David Joel Warren of Ruidoso; brother, Delbert Coffman of Hobbs; and seven grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her sister Bebe Nelson.

Commissioners seek payment for housing probation violators

By DIANNE STALLINGS RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The state should pay the county when it sends probation violators or others to county jail, Lincoln County Commissioners agreed Tuesday.

They directed Commissioner Wilton Howell to present a proposal Thursday to the New Mexico Association of Counties for a change in state law to require such payments.

The association and its affiliate groups are meeting in Ruidoso this week for their annual convention.

Commissioner Monroy Montes on Wednesday revisited one of his favorite topics with members of the association's commission affiliate - access to and control of a sheriff's search and seizure fund.

"I received a lot of support for some changes," Montes said Thursday. "It was a different scene from a previous meeting when 33 sheriffs walked in with their guns and cowboy hats (during a similar discussion)."

"The sheriffs say commissions can't touch their covert seizure money, but I disagree, if the sheriff buys a helicopter, we're liable and we pay the insurance, and what happens to the money generated if he disposes of it. It's hard to track."

He spoke to Attorney General Tom Udall and asked for another legal look at the situation, Montes said. In the past, Udall has issued an opinion that the funds are untouchable.

In reference to the expense of inmates in county jail, Howell explained that while the state is supposed to pay for inmates who are parole violators, they don't pay for probation violators.

"I'd like the attorney to research to see if there's something we can do," Howell said Tuesday. "Both are controlled by state offices. The Association of Counties should address the situation at the next State Legislative session and change the law."

Occasionally the state will put someone in county jail while waiting for a treatment program vacancy, Howell said.

The wait could be two to three months in jail, amounting to an unfunded mandate, he said.

When judges send someone to county jail to wait for a program, the minute they enter the jail, the county is responsible for their medical treatment and related costs, Commissioner Monroy Montes said.

The county jail should raise rates for holding state prisoners as high as possible

to discourage the state from sending them to the already crowded jail, Howell said.

Right now, the state is refusing to pay anything, because of a dispute over \$75,000 in physician bills for one inmate, County Attorney Alan Morel said.

If the county upped its price, the state would simply deduct the amount from the total it claims the county owes, he said.

"That's because it took the district attorney and the defense attorney three months to determine whether this inmate was competent or not," Howell said.

Prisoners also spend time in county jail while awaiting sentencing, Morel said. If they are sentenced for less than a year, the term must be served in county jail, not a prison, he said.

"I think we'd better serve the whole state if we took this battle up instead of trying to raise elected officials salaries," Howell said.

Schwettmann asked Howell to bring a prepared resolution and to make a presentation to association member.

If approved, it would then be assigned a priority for lobbying the legislature.

RATES: this will be the third public hearing on the rates

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Industrial water rates would increase by about \$11 for a .75-inch line to \$33 more a month for a 2-inch line.

The increase to residential garbage collection rates, to

take effect in September, would include a \$2 fee for yard waste collection and a 75-cent fee for recycling services.

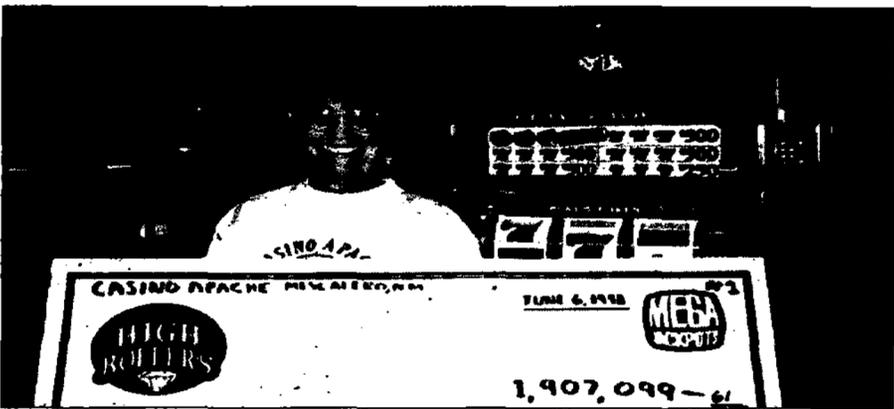
The village is re-assuming garbage collection services from the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority in September.

The current residential fee of \$7.50 a home would increase to \$10.25 a month, under the proposal.

Commercial garbage collection fees would increase by \$3.75 a month per dumpster, from \$19 to \$23.75.

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OUR OPINION

Be smarter than the average bear

It's summer time, which means family outings to the lake and to the woods for some fun and adventure. Or, at least that's what the black bears around here tend to think.

Humans also enjoy getting back to nature so the crossing of paths between the two species is practically inevitable.

Already this week there have been a number of encounters between humans and bears but luckily no one, including the bears, were injured. Just a little shock and surprise on both parts.

People need to keep in mind that when you bump into a bear it's not going to be like meeting the Animatron puppets that were so amusing at the Country Bear Jamboree at Disneyland.

This is for real and it can get real serious if a little common sense isn't used. The best advice is how to avoid a confrontation in the first place.

Forester John Brown advises making sure trash is in a sealed container, even if it's inside the house and not putting it out on your porch or deck or next to an open window.

Campers need to put food and refuse in the truck of their cars and definitely keep food out of tents.

The Lincoln County Sheriff's Office already has gotten reports of a bear going into tents, seemingly without fear of humans, which indicates that people must have been feeding it before.

Which leads, of course, to the No. 1 Rule: Don't feed the bears!

Other information and hints from the New Mexico Game and Fish Department include:

- Allowing a bear to eat garbage may fatten it, but often doesn't deliver adequate nutrition.
- Bears are attracted to scent of film. Keep your camera locked in your trunk.
- The average male weighs about 350 pounds and is about 3.5 feet (on all fours) at the shoulder.

While there are different theories about when bears will attack and what to do when bears attack, your definitely looking for trouble if you see a cub and decide you want to play with it.

The cub really doesn't want to play with you and Mom's not going to be happy when she comes back.



YOUR OPINION

Acts of cruelty

To the editor:
I am not especially an animal lover, but I feel like apologizing for being a human every time I see some of the appalling acts of cruelty to animals we allow right here in town.

I see horses being driven up and down paved streets, hour after hour, regardless of the weather, without regard to the long-term damage to their hooves and legs from the pavement. Horseshoes don't protect them from hard surface impact damage.

Then there are the riding stables where saddled horses are snubbed closely to a rail all day in the hot sun, to say nothing of the kiddy pony rides that make little ponies go around in a tight circle for hour after hour until their tongues hang out, in all kinds of weather.

Then there are the "horse lovers" who confine several horses in a small pen without shelter, and leave them there month after month, walking, living and lying in thick dung.

What would be the repercussions if people were treated in the same manner? Thank goodness we don't still have that poor longhorn being forced to stand stock still in mid-town day after day just so "animal lovers" could be photographed with it.

Some equal acts of cruelty are by dog-owners who keep the poor animal constantly tied with a short leash, unable to get any exercise or even water until they get home from work and happen to think about it.

We "westerners" have a hell of a lot to learn about humane animal treatment.

Maybe, just maybe, in the next life there will be a special place where people will be judged and treated just like they treat animals in this life.

Jim Alston
Ruidoso

A special thanks

To the editor:
I would like to take this opportunity to thank both the Ruidoso Police Department and the Ruidoso Fire Department for their immediate response on June 19, 1998, to a fire in our Fine Arts Building at Ruidoso High School.

Because of the professionalism displayed by our fire department, they were able to restrict the fire to one large storeroom, with smoke damage to the rest of the building. We could easily have lost a \$3.5 million facility, which would have been devastating for our student body and our community.

Thank you for a job well done!

Ron Hodges
Principal
Ruidoso High School

The Indian Dam

In about the year 1974 the Indian Dam at the Inn of the Mountain Gods was proposed. As I recall the SEO (state Engineer's Office) was against it, as were local residents in our Ruidoso Valley and the Village of Ruidoso. I personally held a

public meeting in Ruidoso and thoroughly explained the situation, saying the Dam would insure the success of the growth of tourism in our area, as well as increasing the flow of Carrizo Creek, our only perennial stream, small as it was. When the meeting was over all present were heartily in favor of the Dam. The only thing I asked was to build a safe dam.

Sure enough the flow of Carrizo Creek has doubled, now flowing a couple of second-feet. The growth of the area within the Reservation is unbelievable and is advertised as the most Distinguished Resort in New Mexico. It has helped make Ruidoso, and we are on our way.

Now the 64 dollar question has arisen: Is the Dam safe? No need to spend \$32,571 as advocated by the Army Corp of Engineers, that is a waste of funds. A quick glance at the blue prints will do the job! If there is an apron set on bed rock, reinforced with steel and concrete, it is safe. If not, they must build one now, as time is running out. Another flood similar to the one we had in 1941, or the one in 1894 and all below the dam can be classified as living in a Death Trap, if they are living anywhere near a flood plain.

Let us ask the company who built the dam for permission to examine the plans. A 30-minute deal

James V. Tully
Chairman,
Ruidoso Water Users
Association

Alpacas, contentment in fleece

If you want to see the soul of contentment, look an alpaca in the eye.

We did last weekend during that national alpaca convention at the Glencoe Rural Evans Center, and came away with a feeling that those people from all over the nation who are taking care of alpacas must have found a balm for the trials of modern living.

MOUNTAIN ASIDES



BY KEITH GREEN
RUIDOSO NEWS

Is there a more gentle creature anywhere than those natives of the high mountains of Chile and Peru? Standing no more than 25 or 30 inches high at the shoulder, with graceful stance and the softest fleece in creation, alpacas to us will be most remembered for their direct gaze and unyielding dignity.

Put a hand out and a soft puff from their nostrils greets you. No dog-lick from these curious creatures; just a breath of warmth and welcome.

And the people who brought their animals to Glencoe were just as warm and sincere — and eager to talk about those animals.

Take Carl McGee, formerly of Clovis, who used to run horses at Ruidoso Downs — a couple of them clearing two trials to the All American — and then went on to live in Utah, and who now lives in Colorado with his wife and a few alpacas. They're teachers, just waiting to "retire" into full-time alpaca breeding.

And Lincoln County's top alpaca breeders, Ann and Rick Evans, who've gotten into business big-time, now with 54 animals, probably the only resident alpacas in the county. Their farm is barley a mile from the events center.

Ann, said Rick, gets all the credit for organizing the national meeting.

We suspect the warm, direct gaze of an alpaca had something to do with it, too

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Have you ever played "Risk?" This appropriately named board game gives each of its players a number of armies placed at random across the globe. The players then roll dice to determine the outcome of battles, with the ultimate result that one of them rules the world.

In 1848, President James K. Polk was rolling double sixes.

It was an uncomplicated era. The clouds were gathering for the awful

storm of civil war, but they were mostly ignored. Stephen Foster's songs of home and peace and beauty reflected the simplicity of the times, and the rapid growth of the railroads, telegraphy and the press helped tie the loosely associated United States together.

It was still the Victorian era, and it was Queen Victoria herself Polk first challenged in his "for keeps" game of Risk.

In 1818, the United States and Great Britain had agreed to joint use and ownership of what

was then called Oregon and which also contained what are now the states of Washington and Idaho, parts of Montana and Wyoming, and the Canadian province of British Columbia.

As the number of settlers from the United States grew there, sentiment against this joint powers agreement grew as well.

Polk offered to accept the 49th Parallel, the present boundary as a permanent dividing line. The British, thinking it was his simply his starting bid, refused. But Polk was untrained and uninterested in the niceties of diplomacy. His first offer was his final one.

So he simply declared the Oregon agreement ended and claimed the lower portion as U.S. territory. It was essentially a dare, but it worked. The British decided against going to war against their former colonies for the third time in 70 years.

That allowed Polk to turn his full attention to Mexico and its northern territories then referred to as California and New Mexico. The dice rolled, and so did the armies.

Missouri was the natural gateway to all these places, and that fact had an enormous impact on the state.

Originally colonized by a handful of French trappers, Mis-

souri saw its first population boom in the form of immigrants from the southern states. It was admitted to the Union in 1821 as a slave state.

But then Missouri "saw the world." The states didn't travel; the world passed through it.

The evolution of opinion in Missouri is reflected in the career of its foremost citizen and spokesman, Thomas Hart Benton, who served as its U.S. senator for 30 years beginning in 1820.

Sen. Benton supported slavery at statehood, but he grew to oppose it as the years went on — and Missouri didn't join the Deep South states in secession in 1860 and 1861.

The people in Missouri were more interested in the rough but valuable lands to the west. They outfitted the growing numbers of explorers and were the first to hear their tales when they returned. Sen. Benton heard them all and became the Senate's foremost authority on the West.

When U.S. troops provoked an attack from Mexico in the disputed portion of Texas on April 25, 1846, President Polk was already preparing a declaration of war to present to Congress. The death of 18 mounted soldiers — then called "dragoons" after the European model — was the slap of the glove he

needed to get Congress to act.

Congress acted, and the citizenry followed. Calls to arms were seen in the press, and the able-bodied men of Missouri were among the first to respond.

The concept of civilian militias was a tradition from the Revolutionary War, and instead of signing up with the regular army, many men inspired by patriotism joined the Missouri Cavalry, sometimes called the Missouri Volunteers. The first regiment of this group went to Santa Fe with Gen. Kearny and then went south into Mexico. The second regiment followed and helped form the occupation force in New Mexico that dealt with the Taos Rebellion and kept the peace until the U.S. Territory was formed.

This sudden influx of Missourians into New Mexico formed a connection between the two places that continues to this day.

Elsewhere: Sen. Thomas Hart Benton should not be confused with his namesake, the painter, who was born in 1889 and died in 1975.

Next week: Missouri to Matamoros and back.

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Cowboy Symposium expected bigger than ever

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Although the founder of the Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium died in February, the annual celebration of cowboy life is thriving and expected to be bigger than ever this October, says Bruce Eldredge. The director of the Museum of the Horse and one of the symposium organizers said attendance at the three and a half hour event is expected to jump again this year in line with increases of about 2,000 every year since 1995 when 8,000 paid for tickets.

Visitors to the symposium at the Glencoe Rural Events Center on U.S. 70 will fill 1,800 of the area's estimated 2,000 rooms that weekend, Eldredge said. The event should funnel as much as \$600,000 directly into the local economy and have a ripple effect of more than \$1 million, he said. "I thought this was important for you to know as you make decisions about the symposium and the rural events center," Eldredge told commissioners during their monthly meeting Friday. Commission Chairman L. Ray Nunley said he appreciat-

ed the information, because he has heard rumors that the symposium is falling apart because founder Ray Reed is dead. "His death was a great loss. He laid the foundation," Eldredge acknowledged, but added that in the last few years since the event took off, Reed focused on gathering performers. Now a five-member committee is handling that job, he said. Scott Wells, also from the museum and a symposium organizer, said Reed continues to work through promotions he started before his

death. These events, Wells said, include a celebrity roping event at the symposium and a radio show called the "Lincoln County Symposium of the Air" that is broadcast in Virginia, Louisiana, Texas and Oklahoma on 12 stations, one reaching 90 percent of the Dallas metroplex, Wells said. "He's making Lincoln County a household word," Wells said. "This year's entire symposium is dedicated to Ray Reed. We're really taking over nationally in cowboy cultural events."

THE SILVER LINING

Services for Marden

Following morning services in Saint Joseph's Mission, Mescalero, graveside military services were held June 13 at Rinconada Cemetery on the Mescalero Indian Reservation for Ernest Marden, who was called Home by Our Lord on June 11.

BY DAN STORM
COLUMBIAN

The rifle squad under the direction of John Fossum was composed also of C. E. Chavez, Bob Stevens and Art Blazer.

The American Flag was held at the head of the grave by Dan Storm.

Father Larry Goselin read from the Gospel According to Saint John, and prayed: "May Christ, the good shepherd, lead our brother Ernest safely home."

The memorial crucifix and the American flag, which draped the casket, were presented to Ernest's sister, Adrienne Hanks.

Prayers in the Apache language were offered by Paul Ortega, and traditional Apache Indian prayer chants were sung by a group of Ernest's relatives.

Pall bearers were: Robert Gerónimo, Theodore Martin Jr., Wendell Gallerito, Arden Durry Jr., Lynn G. Hanks and David Martin Jr.

Honorary pall bearers were: Wade Comanche, Joey Padilla, Arden Comanche, Paul Ortega, Gary Comanche and Gabriel Ortega. Ernest served in the United States Army during World War II; and after returning home to the Reservation, he helped father Albert Braun build Saint Joseph's Mescalero Apache Mission, and became a charter member.

We rejoice that our friend Ernest Marden has been welcomed into Heaven by Our Lord where he is reunited with loved ones who have gone on before.

Dr. Nicole Stern, First Mescalero Physician

We all share in the pride of our friends and neighbors, the Mescalero Apache Indians, the one of their own, Dr. Nicole Stern, is the first one of her tribe to become a physician.

She is a worthy niece of her illustrious uncle, president Wendell Chino, who was the first Mescalero Apache Indian to become an ordained minister.

He served many years as pastor of the Mescalero Dutch Reform Church.

We extend all congratulations to Dr. Nicole Stern and wish her all good fortune and God's blessing.

Mescalero youth begins puberty ceremony

Family extends invitation to public to join ceremonial feast

Apache War Dancers, gourd dancing and the Don Patterson drum group from Oklahoma will help Sherri Lynn Comanche celebrate her puberty rite this week during the public portions of the ceremony that started at dawn Thursday and will run through Sunday. The family of the 13-year-old girl is extending an invitation for the public to join them at the ceremonial feast in the Gates Well area of the Carrizo section of the Mescalero Apache Reservation. They ask only that their traditions be respected. Lunch and dinner will be served. Blessings will be given by Comanche during the ceremony

and while she is the embodiment of the White Painted Woman, who gave the Apache virtues, pleasant aspects of life and longevity. Comanche is the daughter of Bruce Comanche Jr. and Natalie Fossum. Relatives from her paternal side are her grandfather, Bruce Comanche Sr., a Mescalero Apache and Comanche; grandmother Jo Marie Treas, a Mescalero Apache, great-grandmother, Eva Hosetosavit Comanche, a Comanche; and great-great-grandmother, the late Alberta Zangolache Begay, a Chiricahua and Mescalero Apache. Comanche is the direct descendant of great Apache chiefs.

On the maternal side, her grandfather is John Fossum, a Menominee from Wisconsin. Other relatives are her grandmother, Ivora L. Fossum, a Mescalero and Chiricahua Apache; great-grandparents, the late Ilene and John Fossum, both Menominee, great-grandmother Evelyn M. Gaines, a Mescalero-Chiricahua Apache who has been a force in efforts to preserve the heritage and culture of the tribes; great-great-grandfather George Martine, the son of the famed Apache scout, Martine, and great-great-grandmother, Lillian Mangas, the granddaughter of Chief Mangas Coloradas and Chief Victorio.



Dianne Stallings/Ruidoso News
Sherri Lynn Comanche, 13, marks the start of her puberty rite ceremonial with her great-grandmother, Evelyn M. Gaines, who has been a strong force among the Mescalero and Chiricahua in efforts to preserve the traditions and culture of the tribes.

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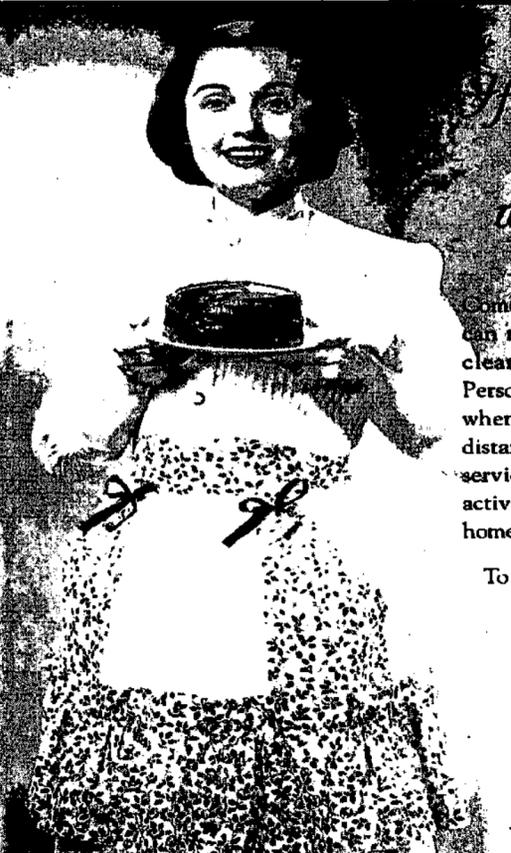
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Commissioners will advertise for DWI monitoring program

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Lincoln County Commissioners decided Tuesday to advertise for someone to operate the county's DWI offenders monitoring program.

Commissioner Wilton Howell, who serves on the DWI advisory board and called for the program to be opened up to other groups or individuals, emphasized that the current coordinator Charlie White and probation counselor Terry Gammage should apply, if they're interested.

White and Gammage were criticized by commissioners in April, because they accepted more pay than authorized in the grants approved for the program, causing the money to run out nearly three months early. The county was in danger of having the grant cut for lack of services, when the Labor Department agreed to allow White and Gammage to finish out the year without additional pay.

Requests for proposals to operate the DWI program will be reviewed at a special commission meeting at 5:30 p.m., Monday, June 29 at the courthouse in Carrizozo. The new DWI program fiscal year begins July 1.

"After someone is hired, the coordinator should sit down with the county manager and see if in the budget, they have enough to hire two

more clerks to help the magistrate judge with the paperwork," Howell said.

Earlier in the meeting, commissioners decided to take no action on a request for \$20,000 in seed money to start a alcohol and substance abuse/domestic violence intervention program requested by Dr. D.L. Blanks.

The program relies heavily on court referrals and should be self-supporting within three months, Blanks said. The non-profit program would spend nothing on advertising.

Howell said he'd like to integrate the DWI program with the intervention approach, but the two cannot be mingled under the existing grant arrangement. Although the county has no money in the budget for such an intervention program now, by December, more revenue than anticipated by the county treasurer may be flowing into the county and it could be reconsidered then.

Money is available from grants for substance abuse treatment, but he has not pursued it in the past, White said. In October, a grant also would be possible for domestic violence treatment from the Safe Communities program, he said.

Capitan resident E.J. Fouratt asked commissioners to advertise for a request for proposals from companies to handle all of the various types

of counseling and monitoring instead of fragmenting into several smaller programs.

"Let's get one provider to do all this stuff," he said, noting that the commission also pays for counseling at the jail. Birgit LaMothe of the Family Crisis Center, who has conducted a domestic violence victim's group for 12 years, said an intervention and treatment program for offenders is needed in the county.

"The women are scared if the men go to jail, they can't provide for their families," she said. "I don't know about the money, but I do see the need."

In other business, commissioners:

- Will ask the village of Ruidoso to increase the traffic speed on Carrizo Canyon Road from 25 mph to 35 mph. Howell said state police have been using radar equipment to catch speeders as they exit the Mescalero Apache Reservation, where the limit is 45 mph and enter Carrizo, where it drops to 25 mph.

- In connection to that request, commissioners asked County Attorney Alan Morel to report back at their July meeting on the legal status of the road. Although the village took over maintenance and other responsibility in 1993 when it was installing water lines, a contract was never signed. "We need to take the next steps," Howell said.

- Heard a report from

Valerie Miller, administrator of the Lincoln County Medical Center, about the renovation and expansion of the county hospital. She hopes to accept bids in December and break ground in January, which should put staff back into most of the hospital and the addition by November, Miller said. Presbyterian HealthCare Systems Inc. manages the hospital and will kick in \$40,000 toward the project, if more money is needed than the existing \$1.2 million county construction budget.

- Approved a new Blue Cross/Blue Shield health care plan for the county's 82 employees that will allow them to switch from a HMO to a selection process as they choose during the year. The Blue Access Plan 15 will cost the county, which pays 80 percent of the premium price, \$14,000 more, compared to a \$47,500 increase if the county stayed with the existing plan. The current plan locks employees into one approach or the other for a full year. In response to a question by Commissioner William Schwettmann, acting County Manager Martha Guevara said she has not asked employees at large about their preferences, but those she has talked to prefer the new plan.

- Approved a tract split to allow the construction of a new post office at Alto, contingent on an agreement to sup-

ply water being signed by July 14 between the developers, Susan and Ken Whitney, and the Sun Valley Water Association to supply water. The association has agreed to provide 55,000 gallons per year per tract provided the developers agreed to penalties for overuse that include higher rates and shut off of service, if a maximum cap is exceeded.

Although the county has no zoning, commissioners agreed the limit on water availability will prevent a business such as a car wash from going in on one of the other two commercial tracts near the Johnson Store on State Road 48. If no water was provided, the owner would have to drill wells and by water rights, said engineer John Shaw, who represented the Whitneys.

- Agreed to grant a 20-foot easement across the property line of the Glencoe Rural Events Center to allow Otero Electric Cooperative to provide service to the Bonnell Sand and Gravel Co.

On the advice of Morel, commissioners refused to agree to an easement as presented that would have covered the entire Glencoe property and would have required commissioners to get approval from Otero for any changes on the land. David Bonnell will pay for the survey and any other costs associated with the easement.

NEWS BRIEFS

Local to represent state in Homecoming contest

Sundae Mares Elwell was crowned Homecoming Queen New Mexico at the State Finals in Albuquerque May 31. She will represent New Mexico in the Eighteenth Homecoming USA finals in Anaheim, Calif. Aug. 2.

Elwell is the Ruidoso High School Homecoming Queen and the daughter of Paula Elwell.

Local to compete for Miss New Mexico Title

Allison Rhodes will be competing for the title of Miss New Mexico on June 20 in Alamogordo.

She was crowned Miss Albuquerque on March 14, 1998. Rhodes is the daughter of Susie Randall Cox of Ruidoso and Carroll Rhodes of Tahoka, Texas.

She will be competing in interview, talent, evening gown, and physical fitness in swimsuit.

If she wins state, Rhodes will advance to Miss America in Atlantic City, N.J., which will be televised Sept. 19.

Although currently living in Albuquerque, Rhodes is a 1993 graduate of Ruidoso High School and an honor graduate of Columbia University.



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Two homicide cases set to go to trial

The vehicular homicide trial of John Curtis, 36, of Roswell, is set to begin Monday in Lincoln County District Court in Carrizozo. Curtis is accused of drinking while driving when he lost control of his car, skidded down an arroyo and overturned the vehicle, killing Kimberly Graham, 25, of Roswell. He was released from county jail in July of 1997 because of injuries he suffered in the same accident on June 21 of that year. The condition of the release required Curtis to

stay in his parent's home in Roswell, where he is monitored by radio emitter attached to his ankle. The trial is scheduled for three days on the docket of District Judge Karen Parsons. Another case previously set for this week in front of Parsons, the murder trial of Terri Payseno, 41, has been moved back by mutual consent to the week of Sept. 14. Payseno is charged with shooting and killing rancher Sonia "Sonny" Kirkwood, 58, in September 1997 and then hiding her body in a horse trailer. Payseno also faces charges of two counts of tampering with evidence, one count of felon in possession of a firearm and 11 counts of violation of the Remote Financial Service Unit Act. She is accused of withdrawing about \$4,000 from ATM machines with Kirkwood's card after the victim's death. The two operated a small horse ranch five miles southeast of Hondo.

County jail discussions continue

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

While asking for more work as part of a jail construction study, Lincoln County Commissioners Tuesday kept lowering the amount they wanted to pay for the assignment. By the time they were finished, the price had dwindled from a maximum of \$20,000 to a cap of \$10,000 to be paid to Ray Mitcham and his team of consultants who are putting together a needs assessment and options for jail sites, staffing and financing. As commissioners talked, they added that they wanted information on rehabilitation programs, land acquisition, administration, medical and dental care, infrastructure, the type of building and transportation costs. Commissioners told County

Attorney Alan Morel, who is negotiating with the firm, they want a flat fee with no per hour cost, per diem or mileage. Morel said company representatives were worried that when the commission advertises later for proposals to build, finance and operate the jail, they might be excluded from submitting a plan because they conducted the study. "It would be silly to exclude them," Commissioner Monroy Montes said, adding that he'd like the group to project a cost for remodeling the existing jail in Carrizozo for use as a juvenile holding facility. He also wanted some suggestions on how the jail can generate money. "A lot of places build a jail and then go broke," he said. "We need to know how we can operate. Maybe we should consider 75 beds instead of 100 and

a component where 50 can be added later, if needed." Commissioner Wilton Howell suggested Eastern New Mexico University be contacted about classes for inmates and that consultants consider consolidating law enforcement dispatch at the new jail. "The scope of the work is tremendous," Montes said, proposing a \$15,000 cap that received no support from other commissioners. Commissioner William Schwettmann voted against the motion for \$10,000. "I don't think we'll get anything for \$10,000 but a hand shake and a printed form," he said. "It probably would be worthless to us." Chairman L. Ray Nunley said the Mitcham group is serious and the commission needs to move ahead before more jail crises occur.

RUIDOSO POLICE

Alleged Peeping Tom arrested

A 22-year-old Ruidoso man was arrested shortly after midnight Wednesday after being accused of peeping through a bathroom window at a 21-year-old woman, Ruidoso police said. The incident and the man's arrest occurred at the 29 Pines Motel on Sudderth Drive at about 12:45 a.m. Thursday. A state police officer assisted Ruidoso Officer Luis Torres in arresting the suspect, Marvin Tso of Ruidoso, who was found on the east side of the motel, according to Torres's report. When the man saw Torres, he began running, but was stopped by the state officer. When officers were in the process of putting the man in the police car, the man reportedly broke out the car's rear window and caused damage to the interior, police said. The total damage to the car was estimated in excess of \$1,000, police said. The man has been charged with two felonies — criminal damage to property and resisting arrest. A third charge regarding the alleged peeping, a disorderly conduct offense, is pending, said Lt. Wolf Born, a department spokesman.

Man allegedly tries to set fire to house

A Ruidoso man is accused of

breaking into a former girlfriend's house on Rio Street early Wednesday morning and trying to set a fire while the woman's children slept, Ruidoso police said. Lance Villanova, 31, has been charged with five felony offenses, including three counts of abandonment and abuse of a child, in regard to the reported break-in, police said. Lt. Wolf Born said Villanova was first arrested on a charge of violating a restraining order. Michelle Kannady, 33, told police her children, ages 7, 11 and 12, were asleep and did not see Villanova when he reportedly broke into the house sometime before 3:26 a.m. Wednesday. She accused him of writing profanity on her kitchen cabinets, cutting her clothes and trying to start a fire on the living room coffee table. He also is accused of breaking out the windshield on a 1979 Pontiac Kannady owns and flattening a tire. She also said he took a clock and a pair of sandals, police said. Total damage and theft is estimated at \$2,000. He was arrested at about 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, said Police Detective Robert Layher. As of Thursday morning, Villanova was being held at the Ruidoso Police Department awaiting arraignment, police said. Though it is up to a magistrate judge to determine a bond amount, standard bond for the five felonies would be \$25,000,

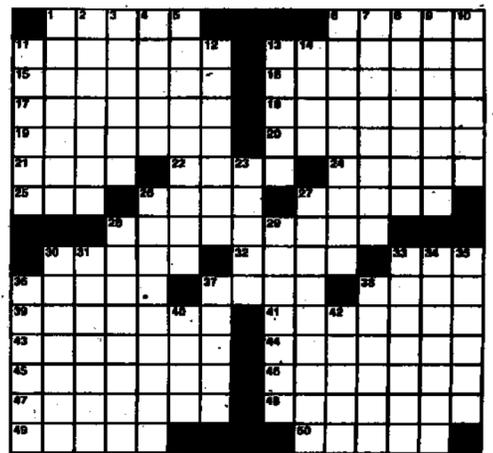
Layher said. **Car speakers stolen**
A pair of car speakers reportedly were taken from a Nogal man's car Wednesday night while it was parked at the Sierra Cinema, Ruidoso police said. The speakers are valued at \$40.

Convicted dumper behind bars
Magistrate Judge William Butts on Thursday said he has revoked the probation of a Ruidoso Downs man found guilty last month of illegal dumping. Shane O'Reilly, 19, failed to pay a \$500 fine and \$41 in court costs by June 7, his deadline. O'Reilly also failed to report for the 100 hours of community service he was assessed by Butts on May 7. O'Reilly was to spend the time cleaning up an area near Cedar Creek Spring. Butts said O'Reilly now will have to serve out his six-month sentence, previously suspended. O'Reilly, who admitted to illegally dumping a couch about a year ago, was arrested by Forestry Enforcement Officer Barry Majala as the person who had dumped another couch on forestry land off of Hale Road, according to court records. At the time of his conviction in May, O'Reilly had been on probation for an unrelated offense, court records showed.

Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz

- ACROSS**
- 1 Flubs
 - 6 Handles
 - 11 Digital display
 - 13 Caviar source
 - 15 Ancient capital of Syria
 - 16 What one may see on a Cree's knee
 - 17 Fez's place
 - 18 Jafar al-Sadiq's rule
 - 19 "Whew!"
 - 20 Added to the staff?
 - 21 Bell
 - 22 Matches, in a way
 - 24 Anatomical canals
 - 25 Computer attachment?
 - 26 Munich's river
 - 27 Moves slightly
 - 28 Kind of drill
 - 30 It's often waxed
 - 32 "What —!" ("Groovy!")
 - 33 Forenoons
 - 35 Declivity
 - 37 Warm-up exam, for short
 - 38 The conductor keeps it
 - 39 It's hot stuff
 - 41 Left-handed, in a way
 - 43 About 26,000 square miles of Asia
 - 44 Rehearse one's lines
 - 45 "Star Trek II" ship
 - 46 Animal, to granny
 - 47 "Old Gringo" author Carlos
 - 48 Like some golfers
 - 49 Spending time?
 - 50 Observers



ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

CAJOLE, COSMOS, MONOPOLY, OGTOPI, INTHESUN, LEADEN, BEENRED, BLARING, WARE, RUN, OSHA, BAD, ITSA, STATE, OPTREUNION, MISSOULAMONTANA, ANTONIOBANDERAS, NEON, MAS, LARS, FAT, EMIL, TOWARDS, RAREGAS, EMILIA, COCACOLA, REDEEM, IDENTIFY, INESSE, DESISTS

DOWN

- 1 They're not available in Spain
- 2 Capitol architect Benjamin
- 3 Rocket scientists they're not
- 4 Kitty alternative
- 5 Hits
- 6 This may be A or B
- 7 Like benzene
- 8 Off-relocated employee
- 9 Perfumery employees
- 10 Mounts
- 11 Maunder
- 12 Noted transcendentalist
- 13 Casino rounds
- 14 Shanter start
- 23 "Aunt — Cope Book"
- 26 Numb
- 27 Redwood or magnolia
- 28 Fabric resembling broadcloth
- 29 Edible mushrooms
- 30 Sudden outburst
- 31 More patriotic
- 33 Wheat-preserving device
- 34 Postgraduate
- 35 Shepherds, in a way
- 36 Wolf
- 37 Fuel sources
- 38 Woodhouse's Wooster
- 39 Gray-brown goose
- 42 Like an old hand

Puzzle by Frank Longo

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Commission discusses future garbage collection in Lincoln County

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Different opinions surfaced Tuesday on how to move forward with garbage collection and disposal in Lincoln County. Commissioner Monroy Montes, who serves as one of the county's representatives on the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority, said commissioners better start thinking about how they want to handle county garbage in the future, before the village of Ruidoso pulls out of the authority coalition — set for September. "The county needs to decide if it should continue as it's operating now," he said. "I'd like some direction from this commission. We could put collection under the county manager as a new business. I think there's money to be made. But I don't know how it would affect the

rest of the members of the authority." The villages of Corona, Carrizozo, Capitan and Ruidoso Downs also are authority members. The coalition was formed in 1991 in reaction to the closing of local landfills and in an attempt to regionalize collection and disposal. The Lincoln County authority joined with a parallel authority in Otero County to build a regional landfill south-east of Alamogordo. Ruidoso will retain voting privileges in issues connected to that landfill and will continue to receive a lower member's rate for dumping garbage there. Montes pointed out that in every study of the authority's operation, the only entity that generated more money than it cost to provide service was the county, where the monthly charge is \$5.50. Commission Chairman L.

Ray Nunley proposed seeing what type of service and rates a private hauler could offer. However, officials of the village of Ruidoso recently sought proposals from private haulers and rejected them in favor of the village operating the service. Commissioner William Schwettmann said the county shouldn't leap into anything until it has consulted its partners in the authority. "I think we have to see where we are when Ruidoso pulls out," he said. "The others still rely on us for some leadership. I think we should stay there and work for the benefit of the entire group, even if all of us go private." Commissioner Wilton Howell said asking for proposals doesn't mean the county has to accept any of them, but it might help commissioners formulate a plan. He agreed that a private

hauler would not pick up around a dumpster any better than the authority's employees. Capitan resident E.J. Fouratt said the only time dumpster sites were clean was when the county road department handled the job. "I tried four years ago when I was chairman of the authority to get help out of the jail (using inmates to clean around dumpsters)," Howell said. "They gave me all the reasons why they couldn't help. They didn't have a van, they'd have to segregate the inmates who worked. Heck, E.J. (Fouratt) even volunteered to drive the van to the work sites at one point." Montes said the newly-appointed authority representatives from Capitan and Carrizozo should ask the authority manager for a plan. "I've been asking for one for more than a year," he said. Commissioner Rex Wilson

said he's not ready to give up on the authority. "I remember people thought it was ridiculous when the dumpsters started showing

up throughout the county, but they're using them," he said. Montes was scheduled to meet with the rest of the authority board on Tuesday.

Capitan prepares for Fourth of July Parade; events outlined

To participate in the Capitan Fourth of July parade, now is the time to sign up and assemble a crew. Entrants in the 43rd Annual Smokey Bear Parade will compete in seven adult and three children's categories. They are antique or classic vehicle, cart or buggy, equestrian, fire department, float, pedestrian and tractor. For children, the categories are best dressed cowboy, best dressed cowgirl and Smokey's

bicycle brigade. Those wishing to be judged must be in line by 8:50 a.m. The parade, sponsored by The Friends of Smokey, will step out promptly at 10 a.m. A perpetual trophy will be awarded to the entry best representing the parade theme, which is "Smokey and the Constitution: Protecting Our Rights and Resources." The grand marshal will be Frankie Silva. No entry fee is

charged, but entries must be received by June 30. Entry forms are available at village hall on Old Lincoln Avenue or Smokey Bear Historical Park or by writing Friends of Smokey, Box 545, Capitan, NM 88316. Other events set for the big weekend in Capitan are the 18th Annual 10 K and two mile fun run/walk on July 4, the Sixth Annual Old West Ranch Rodeo, July 3-4, the Second

Annual Capitan Music Festival July 4, the 43rd Annual Smokey Bear Stampeded with four performances July 2-5, a "Back to Back" dance July 2-4, a Cowboy Church and Gospel Sing, July 5, a cutting horse exhibition July 5, a sanctioned senior steer roping July 5, and the Smokey Bear Calf Scramble, July 2-4. For more information, call (505) 354-3104 or (505) 354-3342.

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REGIONAL BRIEFS

Summer reading program underway

A summer reading program for children is underway at the Capitan Public Library. Participants will receive the added bonus of being able to ride on the library float in the July Fourth Parade. Children in first through fifth grades can stop by at the library to pick up a reading log and program schedule. Programs will include puppet making, a visit to the Bonito River in Lincoln and local guests. The library has received money from the Capitan Village Recreation Fund and has purchased a puppet theater and many new books.

Friends of Smokey to meet

Getting ready for the big July Fourth holiday weekend, members of Friends of Smokey will meet at 12:30 p.m., Thursday, June 25 at the Smokey Bear Restaurant in Capitan. Reports will cover participation in the Lincoln County Forest Health Festival June 27, the Friends July Fourth celebration, the Smokey Bear Trail Ride set for Aug. 7-9, and other topics. The next meeting will be 12:30 p.m., July 9. The public is invited to all Friends meetings and events. Suggestions are welcome.

Masons raise money at picnic

To raise money for college scholarships, more than 150 Lincoln County Masons and their families held the organization's seventh annual picnic June 13 at Lincoln's Center Park, coordinators said. The group consists of the Carrizozo Lodge No. 41 and the Ruidoso Lodge No. 73.

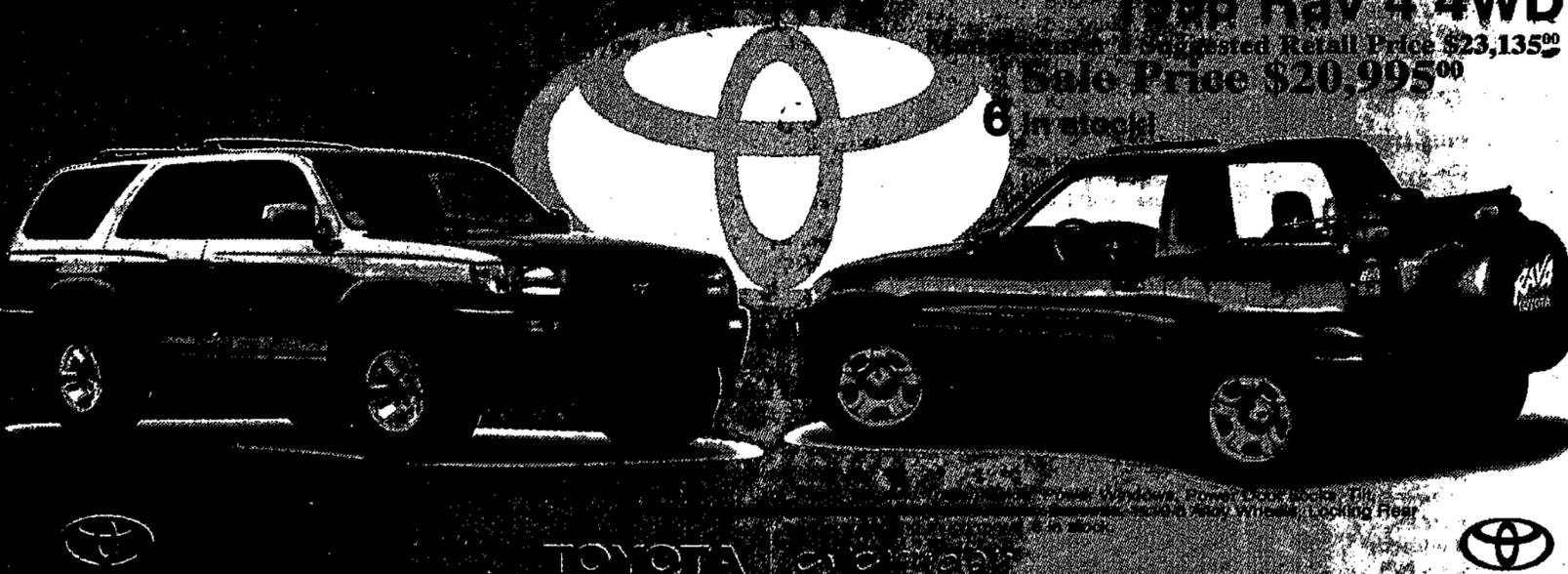
Feasta De San Juan in Lincoln

The people of Lincoln will celebrate the annual Feasta De San Juan with a Mass at 6 p.m. Wednesday. The Sacred Heart, Capitan Sunday Choir will lead the music for the Mass. Several members of the choir live in Lincoln or their families are from Lincoln. The Hondo Dancers will lead the procession beginning the celebration this year. This is an important year for this historical Lincoln County church and the Quarto Centennial celebrations taking place around the state.

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TUESDAY, JUNE 16
Adult softball - Men's League
Nads 17, Diamondbacks 2
Los Amigos 22, Mesc. Madness 12
Los Amigos 27, Casino Apache 11
Grizzlies 19, Casino Apache 4
Extreme 25, Merchants 24

Pecking order

Paris and Recreation Adult Softball

Men's League Standings through June 17

Team	W	L
Merchants	15	2
Bombers	11	5
Nads	11	5
Extreme	11	6
Grizzlies	11	6
Los Amigos	11	8
Black Flyz	7	8
Diamondbacks	3	13
Mesc. Madness	2	14
Casino Apache	0	15

Women's League Standings

through June 16

Team	W	L
Diamond Sals	11	1
Flamingos	8	3
No Excuses	6	3
Gray Hawk II	4	2
Blue Angels	5	7
Wild Things	5	7
Backdraft	4	8
Leftovers	1	11

This week

FRIDAY
Horse racing - Ruidoso Downs Race Track, post time 1 p.m., Zia Futurity Trials.
Adult softball - Cool Pines Classic, Eagle Creek Sports Complex, T.B.A. continues through Sunday.

SATURDAY
Horse racing - Ruidoso Downs Race Track, post time 1 p.m., Zia Derby Trials and Aspen Cup Handicap.

SUNDAY
Horse racing - Ruidoso Downs Race Track, post time 1 p.m., Norgor Derby.

On deck

18th Smokey Bear Run - July 4
Registration has started for the 18th Smokey Bear Run. The 10-kilometer run and two-mile fun run are set for Saturday, July 4 in Capitán. Entry fee is \$10 for the out and back race. Awards for top finishers in age groups and overall male and female winners. For more information, call the main branch of the Ruidoso State Bank at 257-4043.

Alien Chase - July 4
Four events will be offered by the Roswell Recreation Department for the fourth annual Alien Chase in Roswell. Races are: a 5K walk, 5K run, 10K walk and 10K run. Cost to enter is \$15 if received before June 26 and \$20 thereafter. Races begin at 7 a.m. Saturday, July 4. Late registration is from 6 a.m. to 6:30 a.m. the day of the race. Awards for first and second overall female and male in each event and for age division winners. A special prize for best costumed athlete as well. Call 505-624-6720 for more information.

Ongoing

Adult coed soccer
Every Tuesday, adults interested in playing coed soccer can meet at 5:30 p.m. at the White Mountain Recreation Complex soccer fields for pick-up soccer games.

Fishing report

FISHABLE WATERS
Streams: Ruidoso, Bonito, Hondo, Penasco
Lakes: Alto, Bonito, Lake Mescalero, Grindstone, Eagle Lakes.

Stream flows will be decreasing on a daily basis until the beginning of monsoon season - hopefully sooner than later.

Fly selection for streams:
• Sizes 14 to 18
• Dries - stimulators, elk hair caddis, god-dard caddis, blue winged olive, daves hoppers.
• Nymphs - pheasant tails, gold ribbed hairs ears, green rock worms, princes. Lake levels have been stable or dropping slightly since the end of runoff.
Fly selections for lakes:
• Sizes 12 to 22
• Dries - griffiths gnats; black, cream and olive midges; elk hair caddis; adams; mayflies-cream, rust and black.
• Nymphs - large pheasant tails, dark wooly buggers, pistol petes.
Best times are a strong favorite for both lakes and streams with early mornings next best. Streams have been productive mid-morning.

Mike Hyman
Ruidoso River Association

A perfect ending



Pitcher Manny Herrera of the Mariners rears back and fires during the Minor League Championship game of the Ruidoso Little League Baseball Association. Herrera and his teammates capped off a perfect season with a 15-9 victory over the Twins. The Mariners, sponsored by Ruidoso Rotary Club and coached by John Hall, finished 15-0 for the season.

Laura Clymer/Ruidoso News

Clovis Classic winner eyes next prize

BY MICHAEL KACZER
RUIDOSO DOWNS PUBLICITY

Clovis Classic Futurity winner Au Revoir Dooley is set to compete in today's fifth race of the Zia Futurity trials for 2-year-old New Mexico bred. Ten trial races are scheduled at Ruidoso Downs Race Track with 100 hopefuls heading to the post of the 360-yard race.

Trained by Juan M. Gonzalez, Au Revoir Dooley has been flawless at Ruidoso Downs, capturing his two previous races with little effort. If he should happen to win the Zia Futurity, there's a strong chance that Au Revoir Dooley will be supplemented for the 40th running of the All American Futurity, according to Gonzalez.

Staunch An Sticks, who ran third to Au Revoir Dooley in the Clovis, is entered in the Zia trials. Other New Mexico bred who ran in the Clovis and are competing in the Zia trials include Rime Up and The Sweet Gamble.

Another early favorite along

with Au Revoir Dooley is Cowgirl Cadillac from the Fred Danley barn. Cowgirl Cadillac won three races at Sunland Park including the Grade III New Mexico Spring Futurity against Au Revoir Dooley. She will be in the 10th race. Dooley Jet, a half brother to Au Revoir Dooley will meet Cowgirl Cadillac in that race.

Saturday's 11 event race card will be highlighted by the Aspen Cup and four trials for the Zia Derby.

The 400-yard Zia Derby for 3-year-old New Mexico bred leads Saturday's program. Beduinos Call, winner of last year's Zia Futurity, will be in the first trial. Trained by Blane Wood, Beduinos Call loves the Ruidoso strip. He won 10 of 11 starts last year in Ruidoso.

But in his first start this season here, June 5, Beduinos Call was set down by Py Yui, who is entered in the third trial race. In their confrontation, Beduinos Call didn't break that sharply as Py Yui

who went on to win his fourth race in succession.

If everything goes according to plan, these two gladiators figure to make the finals and to meet again in the final July 5. Another entry in the Zia Derby trials to keep an eye on is A Special Strait, a filly who will race against Beduinos Call in the opener. Trained by Ben Torres, A Special Strait has an unblemished record, winning all of her four starts last year along with her only appearance this year. Despite being idle since February, A Special Strait performs well when she's fresh.

Saturday's 10th race, the \$10,000 Aspen Cup for 3-year-old fillies at six furlongs, appears to be a wide-open event with a field of 12 going to the post. One to watch is Aslewofwhite who broke her maiden over the Ruidoso strip last season. Trained by Hermengildo Aldavaz and ridden by Miguel

See RACING, page 2B

ADULT SOFTBALL

Sixty teams vie for Cool Pines

BY LAURA CLYMER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Fifty teams seeking to escape the heat plus 10 local entries means the Cool Pines Classic softball tournament at Eagle Creek Sports Complex is sold out.

The double elimination tournament begins at 8 p.m. today and the action doesn't stop until 4 p.m. Sunday when the Men's Class D championship game is scheduled.

Local teams and game times:

- MEN'S CLASS D**
• Merchants vs. Pecos Valley Plumbing of Artesia, 8 p.m. Friday, A field;
• Nads vs. Nos Otros of Artesia, 8 p.m. Friday, B field;
• Grizzlies vs. Guys Overdrive of Alamogordo, 9 p.m. Friday, A field.
- MEN'S CLASS E**
• Bombers vs. First Methodist Ponies of Hobbs, 8 p.m. Friday, C field;
• Casino Apache vs. Scorpions of Clovis, 6 a.m. Saturday, C field;
• Mescalero Madness bye in first round, first game 10 a.m. Saturday, C field;
• Extreme bye in first round, first game 11 a.m. Saturday, A field.
- WOMEN'S CLASS B/C**
• Thunder 'n Lightning vs. the Classics of Alamogordo, 10 p.m. Friday, C field.
- WOMEN'S CLASS D**
• Wild Things vs. Desert Sun Devils, 9 p.m. Friday, C field.

Beware of bears

This time of year our local black bear population begins to move into town, primarily for dietary fortification. The annual dry spell drags on and new green growth and forage for bears becomes harder to find.



THE WILD SIDE
BY MIKE HYMAN
RUIDOSO NEWS OUTDOORS
CORRESPONDENT

Black bears are intelligent. They know that when times are tough they can always find enough food in our dumpsters to sustain them until conditions improve. This is a survival technique that has been handed down from sow to cub for many generations in this area.

Our communities have been most fortunate to have avoided any fatalities or serious maulings in the past. The following are some guidelines for being as bear safe as possible:

- Try not to make any trips to the dumpsters after dark. By all means, if the trip must be made, don't send a child. Take it yourself.
- Save your food waste and scrap in a separate plastic bag, and take this to a dumpster in a more congested part of town. This will cut down on dumpster bears in the more secluded areas of town.
- When cooking indoors - close windows and doors to cut down on the aroma that attracts these critters. Don't let food cool outside or near a window.
- For cooking outdoors - don't leave the grill or fryer unattended, even for a second. When eating outdoors, stay in a group and keep the kids close by. Black bears prefer to work the edge of herds or groups by laying low

See BEARS, page 2B

HIKING

Vacant mines, elk, deer among the sights along the Aspen Canyon loop

Aspen Canyon Loop

The hike starts on Big Bonito Trail #36 and climbs slowly up Bonito Creek. Less than 1/4 mile from the trailhead the trail passes a mine located on the south side of the streambed. This mine is called the Bonito #1. The mine extends almost 55 feet into the hillside. Recent samples collected from the mine showed only trace amounts of silver.

About 3/4 mile further up the trail the dilapidated headframe of the Silver Spoon Mine appears. The mine shaft is partially collapsed but is reported to be 160-feet deep. Recent samples collected near the mine entrance assayed at only 1.5 ounces of silver per ton of ore. Imagine the effort required to remove a ton of rock from this area for less than 2 ounces of silver. And you thought your job was tough!

Continue 1/3 mile past the Silver Spoon and the trail intersects with Little Bonito Trail #37. Follow Big Bonito Trail #36 as it turns southerly for another 3/4 mile to the intersection with Aspen Canyon Trail #35. Turn up Aspen Canyon on Trail #35. An excellent campsite is located at the Bonito Creek/Aspen Canyon junction.

Aspen Canyon Trail #35 climbs steady-



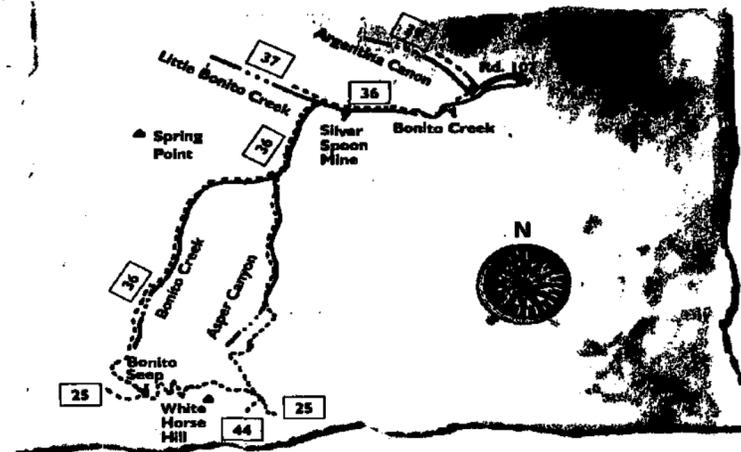
TRAIL TALK
BY JOHNNY HUGHES

ly toward White Horse Hill over the next 2 1/2 miles. The upper reaches of this hike are through alpine meadows where opportunities to see elk or deer are excellent, especially early or late in the day.

Just beneath White Horse Hill, Aspen Canyon Trail #35 intersects with Crest Trail #25 and Three Rivers Trail #44. Turn west on Crest Trail #25 and begin switchbacking down into upper Bonito Creek toward Bonito Seep. This seep flows during all but the driest seasons.

At Bonito Seep, turn back onto Big Bonito Trail #36 and continue down the canyon bottom for approximately 5 miles back to the trailhead. Upon reaching the intersection with Aspen Canyon Trail #35 again, the remaining portion of the hike retraces the route from the beginning of the hike.

Water is usually always present in Bonito Creek and Aspen Canyon and fingerling trout can be seen in some of the larger pools. Both drainages have several good locations for campsites. The higher ground near White Horse Hill has an abundance of level ground for campsites, but water is restricted to the canyon bottoms and exposure to the elements can be a problem.



ALPINE CANYON LOOP

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: A 10.5-mile round-trip hike into the upper Bonito drainage of the White Mountain Wilderness.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS: Views of Nogal Peak and White Horse Hill. Opportunities to see deer and elk.

AMOUNT OF USE: Heavy.

NET ELEVATION GAIN: 2,200 feet.

ESTIMATED HIKING TIME: 8 hours.

DIFFICULTY: Strenuous

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RACING: Full weekend on tap

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Fuentes, Aslewofwhite has competed against the boys in her last four outings.

Shes The Bomb is eligible to improve also. Dingy Baby could attract some attention after running well in allowance company at Lone Star.

The \$10,000 Norgor Derby for 3-year-olds at six furlongs will be the feature race Sunday. A few of the top 3-year-olds who are slated to run in the Norgor are Road Runner Handicap winner King Of Stars, undefeated Bubbles Big Baby and Czaria, a filly who has been campaigning at Lone Star.

SPORTS SHORTS

Merchants cruise to Roswell Budweiser title

The Ruidoso Merchants men's softball team went undefeated in winning the Men's Class E division of the Roswell Budweiser All-Nighter softball tournament played Saturday and Sunday.

The Merchants downed Pecos Valley Tools, 12-7, for the championship. Their road to the title included wins over the Outlaws, 16-6; the Scrubs, 10-8; and Pecos Valley Tools, 16-13.

Richard Guevara of the Merchants earned the tournament's Most Valuable Player award and his teammate Bobby Snowden was named Best Defensive Player. Guevara and Snowden also made the all-tournament as did Lance LaMay and Mike Bryant.

Carrizozo barrel racer appointed to position

Carrizozo's Rene Odom is the newest district director for the National Barrel Horse Association. Odom was appointed to director's position of District 5 which includes members from New Mexico, Arizona and Texas.

As director, Odom recently announced that NBHA sanctioned event, the Billy the Kid Classical Barrel Race, will be hosted by Wes and Cindy Smith at the their Mesa Ranch.

First Down Bounce captures first jewel

BY MICHAEL KACZER
RUIDOSO DOWNS PUBLICITY

In front of a packed house and a national audience watching on ESPN2, First Down Bounce, scored a neck victory over Okey Dokey Dale in the \$306,883.00 Ruidoso Quarter Horse Futurity Sunday at Ruidoso Downs.

Ridden by Jacky Martin, First Down Bounce broke well from the gate, and for the last 100 yards of the 350-yard event, was in a footrace with Okey Dokey Dale. For Jens finished third, a half length behind the winner.

Martin, however, was never concerned about the rest of his competition.

"He broke ahead in front five or six jumps in from the gate, was a half-neck, maybe a long neck in front," Martin said. "From then on in, I didn't think there was anything in the race that could run him down."

"There was no one that showed in the trials last week that they had that much speed

to run him down. I was more concerned with keeping him running than anyone running him down."

First Down Bounce triumphed netting \$128,861. The running time in the Ruidoso Quarter Horse Sales Futurity was 17:74 seconds with a 91 Speed Index. With Rivacoup scratched from the race, the field of nine 2-year-olds ran against a wind gusts that reached 26 miles per hour.

"I was more concerned with keeping him running than anyone running him down"

Jacky Martin,
jockey aboard First
Down Bounce

Owned by R. D. Hubbard and Jimmy Jones Jr., First Down Bounce is trained by Dwayne Sleepy Gilbreath, who liked the son of champion sire First Down Dash when he began working with him last October.

"He's a sharp horse, really, a nice horse to be around," Gilbreath said. "He's a very sharp minded horse. Jacky has helped me with him all along. Everything just went great with him."

Martin, who will be seeking his seventh All American Futurity victory Labor Day said First Down Bounce is still a little green.



First Down Bounce, the fastest qualifier going in, lived up to his billing by winning the Ruidoso Quarter Horse Sales Futurity.

"He wants to look around and see a lot of things," Martin said. "I was just more concerned with keeping his mind to where he didn't get beat by the other horses running around him."

In addition to First Down Bounce, First Down Dash also sired second-place runner Okey Dokey Dale, fourth-place finisher First To Shine and sixth-place finisher So Dead-solid Perfect.

With one jewel claimed and two more to go in the Quarter Horse Triple Crown, the Rain-bow Futurity is next. Trials will be July 11 with the championship slated for July 26. The final leg in the Triple Crown will be the 40th running of the \$2,000,000 All American Futurity.

In Sunday's Ruidoso Quarter Horse Sales consolation, John Bassett's trainee Hes My Dasher, dashed home to an

impressive one length victory over Image Of Master and jockey Jacky Martin.

Hes My Dasher, ridden by Jerry Yoakum, took the lead soon after the start and was never headed. Hes My Dasher was clocked in 17:89 earning an 87 Speed Index. Hes My Dasher's triumph was worth \$13,389. The runner-up is trained by Dwayne Sleepy Gilbreath. All Dane with G.R. Carter in the irons finished third.

A wicked winner



Wicked Winner held off longshot Real Tacky Lady to win Saturday's Ruidoso Quarter Sales Derby for 3-year-olds. Wicked Winner, a daughter of Run-away Winner, ran the 400 yards in 20:15. Her winner's share of the purse was \$38,779.

BEARS: Respect the natives

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and waiting for their chance to catch a plate of food.

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Internet users have access to business information through a web site recently established by the New Mexico Small Business Development Center Lead Center in Santa Fe. Users of the NMSBDC web site tap into a comprehensive source of information on how to get assistance on almost any subject relating to business development and entrepreneurship. To log on, enter <http://www.nmsbdc.org>.

The site, months in the making, includes a guide to the resources of New Mexico's 18 statewide Small Business Development Centers, from individual business counseling to special workshops. In addition, the web site gives instant access to a wide variety of public and private sources of business help, including business loans and technical assistance. For the number of the Small Business Development Center near you, consult the web site or call (505) 428-1362.

County unemployment drops about 30 percent

Lincoln County's unemployment rate in April fell from 6 to 4.2 percent — a 29.8 percent decline, according to the recent New Mexico Labor Market Review.

The drop in the county's unemployment rate was the biggest in the state for the month of April.

Lincoln County's unemployment rate in April was down 22 percent from the same month last year, from 5.7 to 4.2 percent, according to the report put out by the New Mexico Department of Labor.

At the same time the county's labor force increased 6 percent, from 6,863 to 7,276, the report said.

For the nation, New Mexico was listed with the third highest average unemployment rate at 6.1 percent. Last year, New Mexico was ranked eighth in the nation for unemployment, with a rate of 6.2 percent.

Pottery business transplants to location rooted in Lincoln County history

BY TONI K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Sale orders instead of the times tables are written on chalkboards. And rather than student desks and text books, classrooms contain kilns, potters' wheels and clay molds.

The Earthly Greens Pottery has found a home at Lincoln's school house, dedicated in 1936. Right next door is the Convento, the courthouse known for being

the location of Billy the Kid's "daring escape" in which he shot two prison guards.

The history of the place isn't what attracted Ronda and Randy Dougherty to the school — it's electrical capacity played a factor, though.

"We run electric kilns here, and they are computerized, so they require a lot of power," said Ronda Dougherty, who has been a professional potter for 14 years. It isn't that easy to find a

location with adequate power, she added.

She, her husband, and artist Fred LaFave, who hails from Carrizozo, produce various lines of pottery — from glazed bowls and plates covered with red chili peppers, to cowboy boots decorated with ceramic tile mosaics, to garden pots and glazed platters.

The Doughertys, who were high school sweethearts, started their pottery company in Buckeye, Ariz., but found it was just too hot a location for a business with ovens that reach temperatures of 1,800 and 1,900 degrees. Next, they moved to Juarez, but "I just hated it there," Ronda Dougherty said.

About a year ago, they transplanted again, this time to the old Lincoln schoolhouse. The weather is cooler and the potential shoppers plentiful.

"That's why we moved up here — so we would have the tourism trade during the slow months," Ronda Dougherty said.

The building had been vacant for at least a year, with the last tenant, a foundry, moving to Ruidoso Downs, she said.

After only a few minor renovations, they moved into the school and opened the pottery.

The biggest challenge was not re-fitting the schoolhouse, she said, but in removing the 7-foot-high weeds filling the front and back yards of the schoolhouse.

Now, the Earthly Greens Pottery uses almost all the space available in the 8,000-square-foot building, and business is back to normal, she said.

"It really has taken six months to a year to get us back into full production," she said.

The front room of the pottery, formerly the school auditor-



Randy Dougherty, Ronda's husband and co-owner of Earthly Greens Pottery in Lincoln, works with clay molds in one room of the pottery, a converted schoolhouse.



Ronda Dougherty, at a pottery wheel, throws what will become a terra cotta coffee mug.

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THE VILLAGE OF CAPITAN is accepting applications for a full-time MVD Clerk/Assistant Office Clerk \$1,000-\$1,200 a month salary with benefits. Must have minimum office skills and a current NM Drivers License. A job description and application can be picked up at the Village of Capitan, NM 88318 between the hours of 8:00-4:30 p.m. Monday thru Friday. Phone 505-354-2247. Applications will be accepted until 4:00 p.m. on July 2, 1998. The Village is an equal opportunity employer.

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INSPIRATION HEIGHTS APARTMENTS offering part-time maintenance position. Flexible hours, salary DOE. Apply in person, 110 Sierra Lane, Ruidoso Downs or call 378-4236 for information.

MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR needed at Ruidoso Care Center. Contact Human Resources for more information at 257-9071

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Person needed to sell: Ford, Lincoln, Mercury products, 6-day a week job. Training, salary, and commission provided. Call Rod 378-4400

NEED IMMEDIATELY F/T & P/T housekeepers. Must be available weekends & holidays. \$6.00 per hour. Apply in person Human Resources/Inn of the Mountain Gods, M-F, 9-3.

DRIVERS NEEDED, Retired preferred. Call after 7pm. 257-4351, ask for Gino

MAINTENANCE TECH NEEDED: General knowledge in electricity, plumbing, carpentry and sheet rock-competitive wages. Must be able to work Saturdays and be on call on a rotation basis. Experienced persons only. No phone calls. Apply in person, 220 Crown Drive, Ruidoso, NM.

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EDITOR WANTED for The Times News, a 10,000 paid circulation weekly in Taos. Edit the weekly paper, special sections, and supervise a staff of 10. Reply in writing to: George Fellows, PO Box U, Taos, NM 87571. Email: taosnews@newmex.com

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HOUSEKEEPERS: Part-time, need some experience. Pay rate starting above minimum wage. Apply at Holiday Inn, Express, 400 West Hwy 70.

TRUCK DRIVERS NEEDED to operate Belly Dump and End Dump trailers for Ruidoso area road construction. Independent owners with trailers also welcome. Contact Circle W Equipment. 505-838-4430

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• Willing to work in a customer service environment • With excellent oral & written communications skills • Committed to giving superior service & concern to the customer • With knowledge of plumbing and HVAC terminology • With sales ability by written or oral means • With ability to cope with stress in the workplace

WE OFFER: • Excellent company benefits • Excellent working environment

Mail resume to: Dispatcher, P.O. Box 428, Ruidoso, NM 88345

RESTAURANT EQUIPMENT: Everything you need for complete operation. Six full booths, one half booth, large gas grill, double basket fryer/warmer, 2 microwaves, double door refrig., freezer, under the counter refrig. Much more, too numerous to list. Call for complete inventory. \$15,000 OBO.

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1994 EXPLORER XLT loaded, CD player, keyless entry, 47,000 miles, will take book wholesale. 258-5833 or 258-5479

1993 FORD ESCORT LX for sale. Great condition, one owner \$3,900. Daytime 258-5050, evenings 257-1323, ask for Kim

1989 OLDS CUTLESS SUPREME, white, 2 door, great condition. \$3,995 258-4051

1981 MERCURY TRACER, 5 speed, 4 door, cruise, air, stereo, runs great. \$3,000. Call 257-0282

1984 CORVETTE, red/saddle, large top, new tires, great condition. \$8,295 258-4051

BY OWNER 1993 CADILLAC Sedan Deville, gold package, roof leather interior, 41,000 actual miles. Can be seen Seeping Springs RV Park, Hwy 70 E. R.D. Space 39

20 Trucks/4X4's 1973 INTERNATIONAL TRUCK \$3,500. 1990 Ford 3/4 ton pickup \$1,000. 1984 Ford 3/4 ton pickup, 4x4, \$3,500. Call 378-4752 day, 378-8428 night.

1994 FORD RANGER XL automatic, 6 cyl., 52K miles, white. Only owner use at Alto Lake C.C. \$7,900 336-4939

79 DODGE 3/4 TON 4X4 PICKUP, new tires, toolbox, clean, in very good condition. 258-3716

1990 CHEVY 9-10 pick-up, 4x4 \$4,000 or best offer. Call 378-4443 or 378-5246 after 5pm.

1987 FORD BRONCO II, XLT, 4X4, cruise control, power windows/locks, A/C, AM/FM cassette, cargo cover. Blue Book \$4,200, asking \$3,200, or best offer. 257-3242.

1988 TOYOTA 4X4 TRUCK. 5 speed, air, extras \$3,950, 1985 Ford supercab 4x4 \$2,250. Both good condition, tuneups, brakes, tires. 354-3425

1988 CHEVY 4X4, air, p/windows, p/locks, automatic, am-fm, cassette, cruise, headache rack, bluebook \$5,100. Asking \$4,250. Runs great. Call 257-0282

1984 CHEV 3/4 TON diesel, 4 speed, standard, needs engine work, good tires, mobile phone, \$800. 258-3788 leave message.

1986 F150 PICKUP. Eddie Bauer edition, V-6, 5.9 engine, w/new A.R.E. camper shell, 27,000 miles, clean inside & out. \$13,500 OBO. Must sell 378-4997

1993 DODGE 1 TON diesel, club cab, automatic, LE package, 78,000 miles, new Michelin tires. \$14,950 258-5036 or 420-1498

'94 F150 XL 4X4, 2 door club cab, 8' bed, 300 C.I., 5 speed, overdrive, factory air, much more, 81,000 miles. 257-5833.

21 Vans for Sale 1987 CHEVROLET ASTRO AWD VAN, 27,000 miles, loaded, factory warranty, CD player, all wheel drive. Must see, call 378-5842 or 378-4747 K-Bobs, ask for Bill.

24 RV/Travel 1992 DUTCHMAN ROYAL 27' 5th wheel, 13' slide, very clean \$12,500 firm. 505-267-4135

1977 COACHMAN, 20' travel trailer, double axle, a/c, tires, like new, new battery and furnace. Very clean, sleeps six. \$3,900 OBO 378-4457 after 5:00pm.

1981 20' TERRY TAURAS, full bath, tandem axle, new tires, air, ac/dc, very good condition, seldom used. \$3,500 338-8208, Dave Jones.

25 Livestock SADDLE, "RANCH" Association tree, 3 1/2' horn, 15' seat, 12' cantle, "rough out", Bull Hide leather, heavy man's saddle, excellent condition. Brand new. Call Gallacher (505)648-2416

HORSES BOARDED, LAY-UPS WELCOME. Studio in barn for rent, \$250, utilities included. 378-6163

450 JOHN DEERE CRAWLER with 6-way dozer, 81" Ford tractor w/ blade. Call Terry Strickland 354-2512

27 Feed & Grain HAY FOR SALE: 1997 hay at \$2.00 per bale, no sorting. We also have 1998 hay. Three Rivers Cattle Co., 648-2448.

#1 ALFALFA HAY FOR SALE: Small bales, round bales, hay grazer, landscape crossesies, 8' long. 354-3308

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28 Produce & Plants COMPOST, THE BEST source of organic matter, available bulk or by the bag. Call Paul at White Mountain Composting 257-6708

29 Pets & Supplies COLLIE SPANIEL MIX, female, spayed, 3 years, needs loving home with yard and room to run, gentle and loving. \$25. Call Judy Emberton, 257-4233.

31 Household NEW WHITE DAY BED, upgraded mattress; pillows and covers, \$350. 257-5217.

DOUBLE BED & FRAME, working microwave, 40 yards. used carpeting, each \$20. 257-5557

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NO DOWN PAYMENT? Problem Credit? Own the home you need now, without a big down payment. Complete financing if qualified. DeGeorge Home Alliance 1-800-343-2884

COMPUTER 486, color monitor, mini-tower, 8MB Ram, CD-Rom, modem, windows MS Works, games \$345. Printer, \$115. 258-9127

EXERCISE MACHINE \$100. One 10-speed, one 12-speed bicycle \$200 each. Pin Ball Machine \$250.00. Cellular phone \$25.00. 257-8774

LOTS OF SOUTHWEST & CHRISTMAS ceramic bisque ready to paint & finish. 336-7934

36 Miscellaneous **FAST LOANS** Homeowners. Say good-bye to your high interest rate loans. Get \$20,000-\$100,000. Cash for any reason! Pay off bills. Self-employment OK! Prior Bankruptcy OK! No application fee! No obligation! Don't delay! Refinance Today! 1-800-948-0514

32 Steel Buildings SALE: 40x60 \$6,599; 50x76 \$14,811; 60x100 \$18,1

THE VILLAGE OF CAPTAIN is seeking applications for the position of Village Clerk. The Village of Captain is a small, friendly community with a population of approximately 1,000. The Village Clerk is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Village. The position is a full-time position with a salary of \$10,000.00. The Village Clerk must have a minimum of two years experience in a similar position. The Village Clerk must be a resident of the Village of Captain. Applications should be submitted to the Village of Captain, 114 Lincoln Ave., P.O. Box 248, Ruidoso, NM 88316. Phone: 505-848-2247. Applications will be accepted until 4:00 p.m. on June 19, 1998. The Village Clerk will be an equal opportunity employer.

PRIVATE CARE for elderly and disabled to assist with daily living. Transportation provided. Excellent references. Inquire: Call Diane 257-7554.

EXCALIBUR FLOORING specializing in hardwood floors, new installation and refinishing. Licensed and bonded. Call: Anita 354-2134 mobile 430-0878.

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BOOKKEEPING personal or business. Call 378-1903.

BOOT & SHOE REPAIR CUSTOM LEATHER WORK HORSEBACK AND... FALL LEAF STRAW HATS... THE SADDLE SHOP... JERRY JONES 8... BOB ANDERSON... RUIDOSO DOWNS 878-1028

42 Child Care DAYCARE IN MY HOME: Infants to 3 years old welcome. Home preference. 258-3034.

MOTHERLY LOVE CHILD CARE 24 Hrs. 7 Days. Alternative care with interactive age appropriate activities. 378-4334.

44 Firewood for Sale "SUMMER SPECIAL" FIREWOOD: Juniper \$100 delivered. Delivered and stacked \$125. Split & seasoned. Call 653-4531 after 5:00 PM.

FREE WOOD, dead and down. Call 258-4876 or 252-2777.

46 Lost & Found LOST SHARP CAMCORDER with camera case and three irreplaceable family videos at Ruidoso. Downs Place Track on Sunday 6-14-98. Reward offered, no questions asked. 925-830-6191 or 378-4427.

LOST MAY 27TH, Female Siamese type, light grey coat, blue eyes. Lost in Deer Park Meadows. Alto area. REWARD! If found, please call 338-4680.

48 Announcements RUIDOSO INTERNET MAGAZINE: <http://www.ruidosomain.com> Free web site, Message board, lots more.

49 Personals **HAPPY BIRTHDAY** To my husband... **104 Cedar Place**... **With all my love always**... **Love your loving wife**... **Carla**

PREGNANT? NEED HELP? Pregnancy crisis center. Free pregnancy test and caring and confidential assistance. 258-1800.

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50 Construction ST JOSEPH'S APACHE MISSION in Mesquite is taking bids for: The construction of a 32' x 64' concrete basketball court. Call Brother Peter at 671-4473

Legal Notice LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS COMMISSION CHAMBERS COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING JUNE 28, 1998 8:30 P.M. NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE is hereby given that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners will hold a Special meeting on Monday, June 28, 1998, at 8:30 p.m. in Commission Chambers, at the Lincoln County Administration Building, in Carrizozo, New Mexico, to consider the D.W.I. Program Coordinator position and any other proper business that comes before the Commission for consideration. Agenda will be available 24 hours prior to the meeting. Auxiliary aides are available upon request; please contact Martha Guevara at 505/848-2385 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting to make any necessary arrangements. MARTHA GUEVARA, ACTING COUNTY MANAGER 1652 1T(6)19

Legal Notice INVITATION FOR BIDS NOTICE is hereby given that the Village of Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, calls for sealed bids for TWO (2) TRUCKS (TRACTORS) for the Village's Solid Waste Department (Bid #97-017). Interested bidders may secure a copy of the specifications from the Purchasing Agent at the Village of Ruidoso Centralized Purchasing Warehouse, 421 Wingfield, Ruidoso, New Mexico (505)257-2721. Sealed bids will be received by the Purchasing Officer at the Ruidoso Purchasing Warehouse, 421 Wingfield, Ruidoso, New Mexico, until June 30, 1998 at 3:00 p.m., local time, then publicly opened and read aloud at the Village of Ruidoso Water Department, 419 Wingfield, Ruidoso, New Mexico. Any bids received after closing time will be returned unopened.

Legal Notice TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO ROSEMARY DELARA, W/A ROSEMARY ROLES and BEATRICE S. SALAZAR, vs. No. CV-98-113 Division

Legal Notice GROUP I: DELFINIA ROMERO SANCHEZ, MAURICIO SANCHEZ, JUANITA R. SANCHEZ, MARY S. CHAVEZ, JESUSITA S. SILVA, MAX R. SANCHEZ, SORIDA SANCHEZ, LOUISE H. COE, if living or if deceased their unknown heirs, GROUP II: All unknown claimants of interest in the premises adverse to plaintiffs. Defendants, FIRST AMENDED NOTICE OF PENDING OF SUIT TO: GROUP I: DELFINIA ROMERO SANCHEZ, MAURICIO SANCHEZ, JUANITA R. SANCHEZ, MARY S. CHAVEZ, JESUSITA S. SILVA, MAX R. SANCHEZ, SORIDA SANCHEZ, LOUISE H. COE, if living or if deceased their unknown heirs, GROUP II: All unknown claimants of interest in the premises adverse to plaintiffs. PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Plaintiffs have filed a Complaint To Quiet Title in the above captioned cause wherein you are named as a Defendant. YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the general object of this action is to quiet title on the following described real property: TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, RANGE 16 EAST, N.M.P.M. LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

Legal Notice A tract of land in the SW/4 of Section 20, Township 10 South, Range 16 East, N.M.P.M., Lincoln County, New Mexico, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the N.E. corner, a point of the South R.O.W. of U.S. Highway 70, from which the W 1/4 corner of said Section 20, a marked stone found in place, bears N. 34 degrees 30'48"W., 1839.11 feet; thence S. 01 degree 37'05"W., 1269.30 feet, coincident with an existing fence to the S.E. corner; thence N. 88 degrees 18'13"W., 355.08 feet, along a fence to the S.W. corner; thence N. 02 degrees 18'20"W., 1046.47 feet, coincident with an existing fence; thence N. 03 degrees 16'13"W., 51.50 feet coincident with an existing fence; thence N. 08 degrees 53'11"E., 87.24 feet, coincident with an existing fence to the N.W. corner; thence coincident with the South R.O.W. of Highway 70, on a spiral curve to the right having a chord bearing of N. 77 degrees 21'30" E., and a chord distance of 60.20 feet, to a highway R.O.W. rail, Station 28+17.0; thence coincident with the South R.O.W. of U.S. Highway 70, on a curve to the right having a chord bearing of N. 79 degrees 31'46"E., and a chord distance of 295.77 feet to the place of beginning, which have been described by a surveyor as 9.851 acres, more or less. YOU ARE NOTIFIED that unless you enter your appearance or file pleadings herein within twenty (20) days from the last date of publication of the Notice, the Plaintiff will make application to the Court for a Decree of Default and Decree of Default will be rendered against you a prayed for in the complaint. The name of Plaintiff's attorney is Marc Prelo, PRELO LAW FIRM, and whose address is 228 Rio Street, Ruidoso, New Mexico, 88346. WITNESS my hand and the

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LEGAL NOTICE INVITATION FOR BIDS NOTICE is hereby given that the Village of Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, calls for sealed bids to LEASE ONE (1) INTERGRATED LOADER & BACKHOE for the Village's Solid Waste Department. (Bid #97-018) interested bidders may secure a copy of the specifications from the Purchasing Agent at the Village of Ruidoso Centralized Purchasing Warehouse, 421 Wingfield, Ruidoso, New Mexico, until July 1, 1998 at 2:00 p.m., local time, then publicly opened and read aloud at the Village of Ruidoso Water Department, 419 Wingfield, 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 informalities as allowed by the State of New Mexico Procurement Code. By Order of the Governing Body /a/Terr Waterfield Purchasing Agent Village of Ruidoso 1647 1T(6)19

LEGAL NOTICE The Planning and Zoning Commission of the Village of Ruidoso will hold a regular meeting on July 7, 1998 at Village Hall, 313 Cree Meadows Drive. The meeting will begin at 2:00 P.M. The purpose of the meeting will be to consider Case #P98-028 a Variance request for the following described property: Lot 28, Block CG, Central St. Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico. By order of the PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION. 1658 1T(6)19

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE is hereby given that on May 8, 1998, Alto Lakes Water Corporation, P.O. Box 130, Alto, NM 88312, filed application No. H-719 at into H-787 & H-804 (T) with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to temporarily change location of well and place and purpose of use of 10.0 acre-foot per annum of shallow groundwater by ceasing the diversion of said waters from the following shallow wells:

WELL NO.	SUBDIVISION	SECTION	TOWNSHIP	RANGE
H-719	NW1/4SW1/4SE4	34	10S	13E
H-719-8	NW1/4SW1/4SE4	34	10S	13E
H-719-8-2	NW1/4SW1/4SE4	28	10S	13E
H-719-8-3	NW1/4SW1/4SE4	34	10S	13E
H-719-8-4	NW1/4SW1/4SE4	34	10S	13E
H-719-8-6	SE1/4SW1/4SE4	34	10S	13E
H-719-8-7	SE1/4SW1/4SE4	34	10S	13E
H-719-8-8	SE1/4SW1/4SE4	34	10S	13E
H-719-8-9	SE1/4SW1/4SE4	25	10S	13E
H-719-8-11	NW1/4SW1/4SE4	28	10S	13E
H-719-8-12	NW1/4SW1/4SE4	25	10S	13E
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H-719-8-16	SW1/4SW1/4SE4	35	10S	13E
H-719-8-17	SW1/4SW1/4SE4	35	10S	13E
H-719-8-18	SW1/4SW1/4SE4	35	10S	13E
H-719-8-19	SE1/4SW1/4SE4	35	10S	13E

and commencing the use of existing shallow wells described as follows:

WELL NO.	SUBDIVISION	SECTION	TOWNSHIP	RANGE
H-787	SE1/4SW1/4SE4	28	10S	13E
H-804	SE1/4SW1/4SE4	28	10S	13E

for the diversion of 10.0 acre-foot per annum of shallow groundwater for domestic use on 40.0 acres of land located in the SE1/4 of Section 28, Township 10 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M., at a condominium complex in Alto, New Mexico.

The move-from and move-to points of diversion are in Alto, New Mexico.

This temporary application is for a period of five years, with all rights to revert to the original place and purpose of use on December 31, 2002, or sooner upon written request from the applicant.

Any firm or corporation or other entity objecting that the granting of the application will be detrimental to the objector's water right shall have standing to file objections or protests. Any person, firm or corporation or other entity objecting that the granting of the application will be contrary to the conservation of water within the state or detrimental to the public welfare of the state and showing that the objector will be substantially and specifically affected by the granting of the application shall have standing to file objections or protests. Provided, however, that the State of New Mexico or any of its branches, agencies, departments, boards, instrumentalities or institutions, and all political subdivisions of the state and their agencies, instrumentalities and institutions shall have standing to file objections or protests. The objections or protest shall be in writing and shall set forth specific reasons why the application should not be approved and must be filed, in triplicate, with Thomas C. Tumeay, State Engineer, 1900 W. Second St., Roswell, New Mexico 88201, not later than ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. If no valid objections or protests are filed, the state engineer will evaluate the application for impairment to existing water rights, public welfare of the state, and conservation of water within the state.

cc: Santa Fe COURIER No. 2 253 693 592

1625 3T(6)5,12,19

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H-719-8-9	SE1/4SW1/4SE4	25	10S	13E
H-719-8-11	NW1/4SW1/4SE4	28	10S	13E
H-719-8-12	NW1/4SW1/4SE4	25	10S	13E
H-719-8-13	NW1/4SW1/4SE4	25	10S	13E
H-719-8-14	NW1/4SW1/4SE4	25	10S	13E
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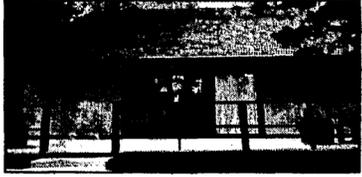
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LEGAL NOTICE

INVITATION FOR BIDS
NOTICE is hereby given that the Village of Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, calls for sealed bids for THREE (3) OPEN TOP ALUMINUM WALKING FLOORS for the Village's Solid Waste Department. (Bid #97-016)

Interested bidders may secure a copy of the specifications from the Purchasing Agent at the Village of Ruidoso Centralized Purchasing Warehouse, 421 Wingfield, Ruidoso, New Mexico, until June 30, 1998 at 2:00 p.m., local time, then publicly opened and read aloud at the Village of Ruidoso Water Department, 419 Wingfield, Ruidoso, New Mexico. Any bids received after closing time will be returned unopened.

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By Order of the Governing Body
/s/Terri Waterfield
Purchasing Agent
Village of Ruidoso
1646 1T(6)19

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
IN THE PROBATE COURT
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ELIZABETH NORA BALLARD
Deceased

PROBATE #1762
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will

forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned or personal Representative or filed with the Probate Court.
DATED: June 17, 1998
E. Sharon Ashley
188 Church #15
Ruidoso, New Mexico 88355
1644 2T(6)19,24

LEGAL NOTICE

"If any party having a claim, lien or debt or other equitable interest fails to file a suit in a court of law within 60 days from this date, June 17, 1998, then they shall waive all future claims against this land and it will become the property and allodial freehold of the Assignee to said Patent, Yvonne M. Zumwalt - Assignee."
Township 11 South, Range 17 East, N.M.P.M.

A tract of land situated in the SE1/4SW1/4, Section 4, and the NW1/4, Section 9, T11S, R17E, N.M.P.M., described by metes and bounds as follows:
Beginning at a point which is 347.64 feet South of the NE corner of the SE1/4SW1/4, Section 4, said point of beginning the SE corner of the Manuel Romero 5-acre tract, marked by metal automobile spring leaf located near the center of the Marcus Baca Arroyo (also marked by a limestone set in the fence line 30 yards to the South); Thence from said point of beginning Westerly along the South boundary of said Manuel Romero tract a distance of 626.5 feet to the SW corner of the said Manuel Romero tract; Thence North along the West boundary of said Manuel Romero tract a distance of 347.64 feet to the NW corner of said Manuel Romero tract; Thence West along the North boundary of the SE1/4SW1/4, Section 4, a distance of 62 feet; Thence Southerly parallel to the East boundary of the said SE1/4SW1/4 a distance of 1320 feet, more or less, to a point on the South boundary of said SE1/4SW1/4 located approximately 631 feet East of the SW corner of said SE1/4SW1/4; Thence

Southwesterly a distance of 650 feet, more or less, to a point on the East boundary of the NW1/4NW1/4, Section 9, said point being 300 feet Southwesterly a distance of 1400 feet, more or less, to a point on the South boundary of the said NW1/4NW1/4, Section 9, said point being marked by a limestone and being 120 feet, more or less, East of the SW boundary of the SW1/4NW1/4, Section 9, said point being 1320 feet, more or less, East of the West quarter section line, Section 9, a distance of 2590 feet, more or less, to the center of said Section 9; Thence North along the center line Sections 9 and 4 a distance of 3612 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning, containing 146 acres, more or less.

Together with an undivided one-half interest in the Salcido cattle watering lane situated in the NE1/4SW1/4, Section 4, described as follows: Beginning at a point on the South boundary of the said NE1/4SW1/4 located 626.5 feet South of the SE corner of said NE1/4SW1/4; Thence North a distance of 270 feet, more or less, to a point on the North bank of the Rio Ruidoso, Thence West a distance of 200 feet, Thence South along a fence line a distance of 270 feet, more or less, to the South boundary of the said NE1/4SW1/4; Thence East along the South boundary of the said NE1/4SW1/4 a distance of 200 feet to the place of beginning.
1651 3T(6)19,24,26

LEGAL NOTICE

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NOTICE is hereby given that the Village of Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, calls for sealed bids for TWO (2) 24 TON 4X4 PICKUP TRUCKS for the Village's Solid Waste Department. (Bid #97-020)

Interested bidders may secure a copy of the specifications from the Purchasing Agent at the Village of Ruidoso Centralized 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 July 1, 1998 at 4:00 p.m., local time, then publicly opened and read aloud at the Village of Ruidoso Water Department, 419 Wingfield, Ruidoso, New Mexico. Any bids received after closing time will be returned unopened.

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Purchasing Agent
Village of Ruidoso
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LEGAL NOTICE

The Ruidoso-Lincoln County Extraterritorial Zoning Commission will hold a PUBLIC HEARING on Monday, July 6, 1998. The special meeting is scheduled to begin at 6:00 p.m. in the meeting room of Village Hall, 313 Cree Meadows Drive in Ruidoso, New Mexico.

A. PUBLIC HEARING to hear two requests for a Special Use Permit for an industrial use in a C-1 Commercial zone in the NE4SE4, Section 33, Township 10 South, Range 13 East.

B. PUBLIC HEARING for a request for a Special Use Permit for an industrial use in Alto Crest 50, Unit 1, Block 1, Lots 6,7,8.

The meeting is open to the public. Auxiliary aides are

available upon request; please contact Patsy Sanchez at 648-2385 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting to make necessary arrangements.
Martha Guevara
Acting Lincoln County Manager
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LEGAL NOTICE

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION TO CHANGE NAME OF CHANCE LEVI PENDER

Cause No. CV-98-122
NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME
TO: WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Please take Notice that the Petition to Change Name in the District Court of Lincoln County. The purpose of the petition is to change Petitioner's legal name from CHANCE LEVI PENDER HOOPER. Please take further notice that a hearing in the District Court to approve the petition will be held on the 4th day of August, 1998 at 8:30 a.m. at the Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, New Mexico.
RICHARD A. HAWTHORNE, P.A.
s/Richard A. Hawthorne
Attorney for Petitioner
1221 Maehem, Suite 2
Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345
(505)258-3483
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LEGAL NOTICE

The Planning and Zoning Commission of the Village of Ruidoso will hold a regular meeting on July 7, 1998 at Village Hall, 313 Cree Meadows Drive. The meeting will begin at 2:00 P.M. The purpose of the meeting will be to consider Case #PV98-027 a Variance request for the following described property:
Lot 31 & 32, Block L, Ruidoso Springs, Sd. Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico

By order of the PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION.
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LEGAL NOTICE

INVITATION FOR BIDS
NOTICE is hereby given that the Village of Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, calls for sealed bids for ONE (1) CAB & CHASSIS TRASH COLLECTOR for the Village's Solid Waste Department. (Bid #97-019)

Interested bidders may secure a copy of the specifications from the Purchasing Agent at the Village of Ruidoso Centralized Purchasing Warehouse, 421 Wingfield, Ruidoso, New Mexico, until July 1, 1998 at 3:00 p.m., local time, then publicly opened and read aloud at the Village of Ruidoso Water Department, 419 Wingfield, 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 informalities as allowed by the State of New Mexico Procurement Code.

By Order of the Governing Body
/s/Terri Waterfield
Purchasing Agent
Village of Ruidoso
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LEGAL NOTICE

The Ruidoso-Lincoln County Extraterritorial Zoning Authority will hold a special meeting on Monday, July 13, 1998. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 6:00 p.m. in the meeting room of Village Hall, 313 Cree Meadows Drive in Ruidoso, New Mexico.

A. Reconsideration of Special Use Permit for a commercial use, to wit, a Fruit Stand, in an R-1 Residential zone on lot 6, Gavilan Ranch Subdivision.
Mr. Alfred Trujillo
B. Final determination of the ETZ Commission recommendation for approval of a Special Use Permit for a Bed and Breakfast in an R-1 Residential zone, Lot 34, Block 9, Alpina Village Subdivision, Unit II. Approval is contingent upon the approval of the septu system by the Environmental Department.
Mr. & Mrs. Don Adams
C. Final determination of the ETZ recommendation on a request for two Special Use Permits for an industrial use in a C-1 Commercial zone in NE4SE4, Section 33, Township 10 South, Range 13 East.
D. Final determination of the ETZ recommendation on a request for a Special Use Permit for an industrial use in a C-1 Commercial zone in Alto Crest 50, Unit 1, Block 1, Lots 6,7,8.

The meeting is open to the public. Agenda is available 24 hours prior to the meeting.

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LEGAL NOTICE

The Planning and Zoning Commission of the Village of Ruidoso will hold a regular meeting on July 7, 1998 at Village Hall, 313 Cree Meadows Drive. The meeting will begin at 2:00 P.M. The purpose of the meeting will be to consider Case #PV98-025 a Variance request for the following described property:
Lot 1A, Site 54, White Mountain Meadows Unit 1, Sd. Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico

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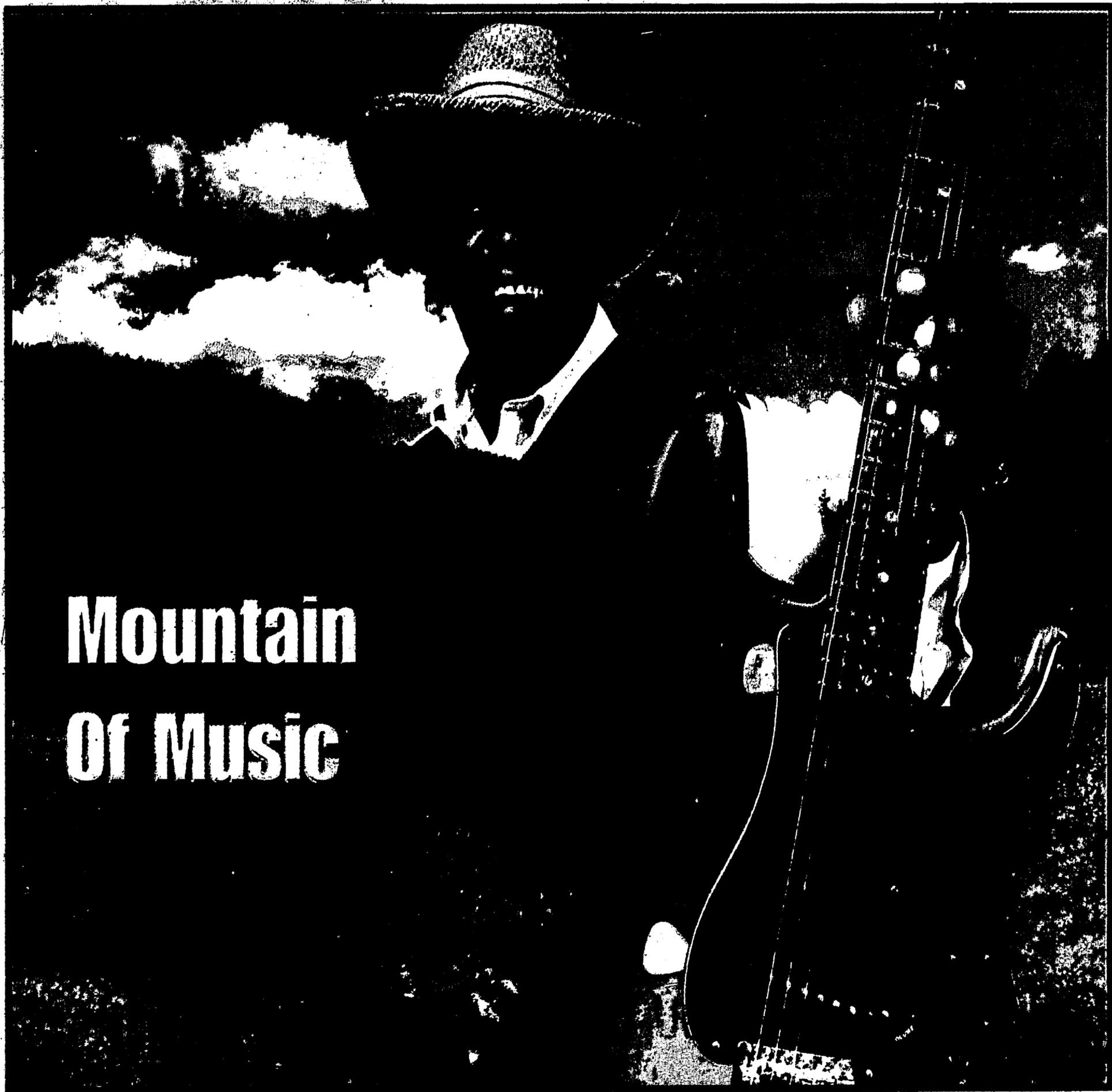
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WE'VE GOT ONE THING TO SAY TO ABC'S 20/20: THANK YOU!

On May 11th ABC's "20/20," one of the country's most respected news magazines, reported on the results of an investigation that showed that over 50% of glasses made in American today were made wrong.

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on the cover



THERE WILL BE A mountain of music to listen to at this weekend's Mountain of Blues Festival, including Long John Hunter. The two-day festival kicks off Saturday and features regional favorites playing along side several national acts. Who will be cooking up the hot tunes and cool sounds? See Page 4C.

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Art and Artifact

107 S. Lincoln Ave., Capitan, 354-2318.
A contemporary gallery featuring fine art and rare, unusual objects for collectors, housed in a 1898 bordado. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday, or by appointment.

Benson Fine Art

Moving to San Patricio, 258-5113, 653-4061, or 653-4062.
The gallery is moving from the Plaza into an old adobe in San Patricio. Following considerable restoration, the gallery will open in the summer. During the moving time, however, the gallery's web site will be active and period artists can be viewed by calling for an appointment, 258-5113 or 653-4061.

Capitan Gallery of Cowboy Furnishings

433 Smokey Bear Blvd., Capitan, 354-4801.
Handcrafted cabin furniture made from native woods as well as lamps, ironwork, stained glass, pottery and unique antique accessories. Open seven days a week.

Duncan Studio Gallery

Downtown White Oaks, 648-2253.
The studio of post-impressionist representational artist John Duncan and the impressionist works of his wife (who paints under the name Pata) is the historic Taylor Home (1887) in this living ghost town and budding artist colony. Open 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, as well as most week days. Call ahead to be sure.

Eagle Ranch Art Gallery

7288 Hwy. 54/70, Alamogordo, 1-800-432-0999.
Featured in June: retablo art of Viviana Duran Prelo. Gallery hours: 9 a.m.-6 p.m. daily.

Gail's Frame of Mind

1204 Mechem, White Mountain Plaza, Ruidoso 258-9071.
The gallery features original art by Denise Dom, Gaylon Gillem, Patti Mayes, Rand Harmon, Barbara Culler, Buddy Godinez, Marcia Bizeau, Bruce Chapman, Bernice Landrum, Billie Long, Monty & Barbara Jones, Bruce Dietrich, Jeff St. John and Langley Lamps. Open Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Handwoven Designs

102 Lincoln Ave., Capitan, NM 354-2008.
Maggie Doyle is a nationally recognized, fourth-generation hand weaver with a working weavery in Capitan. She draws inspiration from the landscapes of her New Mexican home for her handwoven clothing. Using natural fibers, dyes, and handspun yarns, the garments are finished with knitted trim and eclectic buttons. Call first.

Hurd-La Rinconada Gallery

Off Hwy. 70 in San Patricio, (505) 653-4331.
The gallery exhibit includes works by Peter Hurd, Henriette Wyeth Hurd, Andrew Wyeth, Michael Hurd, Jamie Wyeth, Carol Hurd Rogers and Peter de la Fuente. Works can be viewed Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m.-6

p.m. and by appointment on Sunday.

The Kenyon Thomas Gallery

546 Sudderth, Ruidoso by the traffic lights at Paradise Canyon, 257-1056.
Pottery and pastels by Kenyon Thomas, fine weavings by Marcia Thomas. Call for gallery hours.

Lincoln County Art Co-op

Four Seasons Mall at 2900 Sudderth, Ruidoso, 257-8006.
Twenty local artists featuring oil, pastel, acrylic, wood working, sculpture, metal art, Victorian lamps, ceramics and tile. New artists welcome. Meetings at 5:30 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month.

Lincoln Heritage Trust

Lincoln Heritage Trust, Lincoln 653-4025.
On display throughout the summer, the Billy the Kid tintype and the paintings of Peggy Jones. Admission fee included in the \$5 daily pass which can be purchased at the Court House or the Lincoln County Heritage Trust at either end of town. Hours: 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m. every day.

Lorene & Larry's

268 Main Rd. Capitan, 354-2605.
Original art and watercolor painting, Southwestern prints, custom design furniture by Larry. Art lessons every Wednesday and Thursday.

McGary Studios & Expressions in Bronze Gallery

2002 Sudderth, Ruidoso, 257-3790, 1-800-687-3424.
Dave McGary's combined facility features a finishing studio and a gallery which showcases a two-decade retrospective collection of his "Images in Bronze." Gallery hours are 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

The Montano Store

Hwy. 300, Lincoln, (505) 653-4372.
Featuring the newly renovated store and temporary exhibits highlighting the Montano family, Hispanic contributions to the area and adobe architecture. Hours: 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Friday to Sunday. Admission fee included in the \$5 daily pass which can be purchased at the Court House or the Lincoln County Heritage Trust at either end of town.

Mt. Legends Gallery & Foundry

610 E. Hwy. 70, Ruidoso Downs, 378-8040.
7:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday, public bronze pourings and foundry tour.

Museum of the Horse

Hwy. 70, Ruidoso Downs, 378-4142.
The summer show: "The Cowboy Boot: Soul of the American West." Museum hours 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.

Quemada Studio & Gallery

2415 Sudderth Dr., #3, Ruidoso, 257-5743.
Located at LaClaire's Mountain Village. Colorful paintings of people and places. Studio hours are 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday through Saturday and by appointment.

Red Rose Art Studio

County Rd. EB16, Hondo, (505) 853-4203.
The studio of Hondo Valley artist Paula White features her works in oil, acrylic and porcelain in styles from Impressionistic to abstract expression. Weekly classes are held on Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call for hours.

Sacred Images, Angels and Icons

416 First St., Ruidoso, 257-6827.
New Orleans artist Jim Leasure specializes in portraits of clients' guardian angels. He also paints angelic-themed school and church murals, ceilings and walls of private homes and businesses. His studio is open to the public by appointment.

Spring Canyon Gallery

The Gazebo Place, 2117 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso, (505) 257-1561.
Creating images of the Southwest in mixed media, acclaimed artist Misha Malpica opens her Spring Canyon studio to the public. Her sculptures are on display at the gallery. Hours: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday, or by appointment call 257-1561 or 257-0205.

The Tree's House

Nogal Canyon Road off Hwy. 37 between mile markers 9/10, Nogal, (505) 354-4206.
The Laggs are woodworkers who design and create a variety of functional artworks, including doors, screens and lamps. Located in Nogal at Hwy. 37 and Nogal Canyon Road.

Western Trails Gallery

320 East Smokey Bear Blvd., Capitan (505) 354-4203.
Original western oils, a collection of quality Indian jewelry and artifacts, unique ethnographic and regional crafts. Featured artist is Jel Wei Zhou whose oil paintings take a western/southwestern theme.

White Mt. Pottery Gallery

2328 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso, 257-3844.
Featuring Tim Wierwille's landscaped series, Will and Johana DeMay, Chris Heede, Larry Davidson, Vicki Conley, Ivy Heyman, Alan Butler and Bill Campbell. Call for gallery hours.

White Oaks Pottery Studio

3 1/2 miles NE of White Oaks, (505) 648-2985.
From her hand-built adobe studio, potter Ivy Heyman throws mostly functional pieces in the shadow of Patos Mountain. The studio is open 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Friday through Sunday. Call first to confirm.

Send submissions to:
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The Ruidoso News, P.O. Box 128
Ruidoso, NM 88355
or FAX to: 505-257-7053

The listing is free of charge. Submissions due by 5 p.m. the Friday before publication.

CALLS FOR ART

For more information or to receive a prospectus about any of the projects listed, contact NM Arts, 228 East Palace Ave., Santa Fe, NM 87501, (505) 827-6490 or in state 1(800) 879-4278.

The Nenahnezad Local Selection Committee seeks to commission an interior, 2D mural for the east wall of the multipurpose room in the Nenahnezad Chapter House. The artwork should represent the Navajo people and the history of the region. The media is paint, the style is representational and space available is 8 feet 6 inches wide by 18 feet high. The artist may use any portion of the space available. Deadline is July 8. Project amount is \$4,500 and is open to New Mexico residents only.

The Santa Fe Boys and Girls Club Local Selection Committee seeks to commission an interior, 2D, portable mural for the newly renovated Boys and Girls Club gym in Santa Fe. The club's motto "A Positive Place For Kids," as well as aspects relating to the history of the neighborhood and the usage of the facility, should be visually depicted in the mural. The selected artist will be required to work with the children who use the facility, ranging in age from 6 to 18. The media is open to any painting medium, though the Boys and Girls Club Board of Directors can supply 1/4 inch masonite panels and acrylic house paint if the artist chooses to use these materials. Style is open and the scale is a minimum of 64 square feet. Deadline is July 10. Project amount is \$7,500 and is open to New Mexico residents only.

The Northern New Mexico Military Institute (NMMI) Local Selection Committee seeks to commission two stained glass windows with three panels each for the areas above the entrances to Hinkle Hall and Bates Dining Hall at NMMI in Roswell. The artwork should reflect male and female cadets in their daily lives, with images and ideas depicting the four pillars of cadet life: academics, physical development, leadership and spiritual growth. The media is stained glass, and the style is

open. The two windows measure 16 feet long by 5 feet high and are composed of three panels each in the shape of a gothic arch. Three finalists will be chosen and required to meet with the Selection Committee, observe cadet life and submit a detailed proposal. Finalists will be compensated with \$500 each. For more information regarding NMML, you may access their web site at www.nmml.cc.nm.us. Deadline is July 15. Project amount is \$23,500 and is open to all U.S. residents.

The New Mexico School for the Deaf (NMSD) Local Selection Committee wishes to commission an artist to work as a mentor to two or three NMSD high school students while creating a series of interior 2D and/or 3D textiles. The textiles may be hung together or separately but must have a unifying element, and may be transported to different areas of the campus for special occasions. The artwork should encourage a building of community and create a visual narrative about students at NMSD. The media is open to any textiles including mixed media, but must be durable and low maintenance. Style and scale are open. Up to three finalists will be selected for this project and compensated with \$125 each to make a presentation to the selection committee. Deadline is July 17. Project amount is \$7,968 and is open to New Mexico residents only.

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The Arts



by Meredith Keaton
VAMONOS STAFF WRITER

The blossoming Blues Society of Ruidoso has been a reliable source of entertainment for the Ruidoso area, and now they're hitting it big time. The first annual Mountain of Blues Festival kicks off Saturday featuring four nationally recognized blues groups rocking along side the favorites who have appeared at the Society's Blues and BBQ shows.

"This is something that Ruidoso has not really seen. These are national acts; this is their life," said organizer Cheryl Blanchard of the Texas House Cafe.

"I'm expecting 4,000 people or better, and if we have less than that we will not be disappointed," Blanchard said. "The response has been tremendous. We've been getting calls from coast to coast which we didn't expect."

The Society has been hard at work, bringing blues to the schools with the help of Bare Bones Blues Band of El Paso and Gary Stamper, a Ruidoso third-grade teacher, and providing monthly entertainment with Blues and BBQ shows featuring southwestern blues bands. The festival will give blues enthusiasts the chance to see national acts perform with the regional favorites.

"We're fortunate because we live here and we can put on something in a place like Ruidoso where everybody

wants to come anyway," Blanchard said. "We're giving people another reason to come here while creating another big weekend."

Organizers hope that the festival will bring enough business to Ruidoso to be a yearly recognized event.

"There's been incredible community support," said Lisa Muhn, Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce special events coordinator and Blues Society member. "We're hoping to add another viable summer event. We needed some special events and we hope that this will just continue to grow to make a great event for June."

The weekend's line up features Long John Hunter, Smokin' Joe Kubek Band with Bnois King, Sista Monica Parker, Mike Morgan and the Crawl, The Sultans, Bad News Blues, KGB Blues, Bare Bones Blues, Tony Rio and Voodoo Chili and the Phil Czolgosz Group.

Topping off the weekend will be the display of 27 vintage Beechcraft Bonanzas and a UH 60 helicopter at the Sierra Blanca Regional Airport. "Basically, the display of these aircraft will just bring more people," said Tim Morris of the Sierra Blanca Regional Airport. "We've had an annual aviation day on this weekend for a few years and it all just kind of coordinated." Requests have also led to the inclusion of a classic car show, a continual local favorite.

Tickets to The Mountain of Blues Festival are \$15 per day or \$25 for a two-day pass. Advance tickets may be purchased at the Texas House Cafe located at 2811 Sudderth Drive or at the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce. For more information call 257-3506 or 1-800-253-2255.

Interview by Meredith Keaton

Q. How did you first get interested in music?

A. Well, it's getting to be an old story, but it's the truth. I went to see B.B. King in Beaumont, Texas in 1953 when I was about 22 years old. B.B. got up there and started playing and I just couldn't take it any longer.

Q. What's the most exciting thing that's happened in your career?

A. Being with Alligator Records - they take pretty good care of us - and traveling all over the world. I didn't used to travel much. I played in Juarez for 10 years straight seven nights a week.

Q. What's been your inspiration?

A. I love entertaining and seeing people smile and have a great time.

Q. What's the best thing about being a musician?

A. It's better than picking cotton, that's a hard job.

Q. What makes a good performance?

A. Making people feel like it's worth coming out and pleasing the majority of the crowd. Of course, you can't please everyone all the time, but pleasing the majority is good enough.

Q. What's drawn you to play the blues?

A. My only inspiration was B.B. and I was a country boy. That was really all there was for a guy like me. I don't really play the blues though, I play happy music.

Q. How do you relate to your fans?

A. I'll go play somewhere and it's kind of like a reunion. People are coming up and saying that they saw me in El Paso and that they saw me in Juarez and sometimes they even say they thought I was dead. But I guess I'm doing something right.

Q. How does success feel?

A. I've been on the poor side all my life, and to be able to come out and stand next to everybody who really knows what's going on and feel like your standing as tall as them is my success.

Q. How do you like playing smaller towns like Ruidoso?

A. Being from El Paso, I've played all around that area before and I'm looking forward to seeing a lot of the old rascals I used to hang around with. My group and I are going to have a hellacious time down there. I'm just hoping it won't be as hot as it has been in Florida. I'd also like to mention the band, the band is what makes the audience. They're great.

Q&A

King of the Night

Long John Hunter knows how to rock a crowd. He should, he has more than 40 years of experience. Hunter was one of the Mountain of Blues Festival to work his magic in that amazing way.



Q&A

Mike Morgan, a blues guitar phenom, will perform at the Ruidoso Mountain of Blues Festival Saturday and Sunday. Morgan's appearance with The Crawl should be an interesting one while he reunites with vocalist Lee McBea and works his way around the stage with a broken leg sustained in a motorcycle accident. I spoke with Morgan by phone at his Dallas home about the motivation behind the music.

interview by Meredith Keaton

Q. How did you get your start in blues?

A. I got my start by listening to Stevie Ray Vaughn's first record. I had never been serious about music before then, but I started playing my guitar more and then it was like a one-time shot at a hometown gig. After that one thing led to another and I quit my job to pursue this.

Q. How has your music changed since you began?

A. When I started it was completely straight ahead. All I listened to was 50s and 60s Chicago blues. I thought that unless you were playing straight classic blues you weren't really a blues band. Since then I started expanding and writing more with each record. Since Lee's joined us we've been writing together.

Q. What do you try to project to your audiences?

A. We give 'em everything we've got. Reviews of our live shows are good. We just give 'em a good show.

Q. What's different about playing for smaller festivals as opposed to larger ones?

A. When you have less people, they're really in to what you're doing. Sometimes those are the most fun. It's always a good atmosphere.



Q. What is the attraction to blues?

A. Anybody with any heart or any soul likes it. It's just good music.

Q. What's your inspiration?

A. I guess it still goes back to what it was traditionally. It's 'oh, poor me' and heartbreak. But no matter what kind of music you're listening to, blues, country, even pop, it's that way with music in general. But it can also be inspiring, like the title song I wrote for our album *Ain't Worried No More*.

Q. What keeps you in the music industry?

A. Well, I love the music and I love the money. It's taken me 12 years to start making a decent living at it. It's not just fun and games anymore. People look at this and think that it must be great, but as you get older your priorities change. There are drawbacks. I hate leaving my family and I do think of it as a job, but the love of the music is still there.

Tapping In

SATURDAY, 11:00-11:50

TONY RIO AND VOODOO CHILI

This Albuquerque band brings the hard driving sound of R & B to life. Rich vocals and hot guitar sessions produce a sound to be amazed at. Relying on a tradition of classic blues, Tony Rio and Voodoo Chili will have audience members on their feet screaming for more. Voodoo Chili is led by frontman Tony Rio. His guitar style is influenced mostly by Freddie King, Jimmy Vaughn, Stevie Ray Vaughn and Albert Collins. Rio was born and raised in Albuquerque and began playing guitar in 1964 as the result of listening to AM radio and using his dad's guitar—an original Martin bought as a gift by his mother. The band released, "Voodoo Chili" in 1996. One of the cuts from the CD, "The Alvarado Hotel Blues," was named Best Blues Song of 1997 at the New Mexico Mic Line Awards.



SATURDAY, 12:10-1:00

BARE BONES BLUES



Inspired by blues greats Stevie Ray Vaughn, Muddy Waters and Buddy Guy, Bare Bones is the youngest touring blues band in the Southwest (they're all under 16).

Anyone who has heard the group can attest, they can flat cook up a fine blues stew. Lead vocalist James Bullard's voice is mature beyond its years and captures the grit of blues.

SATURDAY, 1:15-2:15

THE SULTANS

Purveyors of blues, swing, roots, R & B and Rockabilly this Albuquerque band is one of the hottest blues bands in New Mexico. The Sultans have carved a niche as one of the region's finest and most entertaining bands.

SATURDAY 2:30-3:50

BAD NEWS BLUES

Winners of the 1997 Arizona Blues Show-down, the Bad News Blues Band takes us back to our roots, complete with dark shades and suits a la "the Blues Brothers." The Tucson band has a tradition of walking halfway across East Speedway Blvd., near the University of Arizona, and playing tunes from the median. Crowds find it entertaining and passing motorists honk and wave at the musicians. With an awesome horn section and mean guitar playing, Bad News Blues could make any trip worthwhile.



SATURDAY 4:00-5:40

MIKE MORGAN AND THE CRAWL

When guitarist Mike Morgan and his band, The Crawl released their 1990 Black Top debut, "Raw & Ready," the band quickly went from local Texas phenom to nationally recognized blues stars. With each subsequent release, Morgan's powerful guitar playing and The Crawl's road-proven stage shows drew rave reviews from critics and left fans open-mouthed in amazement. With a healthy dose of hard driving Texas blues, a touch of horn-fat Southern soul, and a splash of old-fashioned roots rock, Mike Morgan and The Crawl are back and ready to take their aggressive, innovative blues to fans from coast to coast.

SATURDAY, 6:00-7:30

SMOKIN' JOE KUBEK BAND WITH BNOIS KING

In the blues world, the two Ks, those of Kubek and King, signify the best "one-two" punch in the business. The compelling and critically acclaimed Smokin' Joe Kubek Band, featuring

Bnois King, is all business. Their music is stripped and serious, hell bent and beautiful. Although you'll never hear Joe sing a note, he has the guitar prowess and musical gift to communicate more in a single solo than most vocalists are able to with a truck-load of verses and a bumper crop of choruses. The jazz-infected, tasteful blues guitar runs of the richly imaginative King are sharp and inventive. King's astonishing vocals can bring tears to your eyes, sinking into lonely sorrow and deep blues, or reveling in the joy of being alive.

SUNDAY, 11:00-12:15

PHIL CZOLGOSZ GROUP

Also known as PCG, this El Paso group plays a variety of blues styles and also features a stand-up, box bass player. Phil Czolgosz, who sings and plays guitar, has been playing for more than 25 years. Along with Don Skinner on bass and Ace Patterson on vocals and drums, PCG has established a name for themselves throughout the Southwest.

SUNDAY, 12:30-2:15

KGB BLUES

Billed as a band on a mission, Ruidoso's own KGB Blues Band offers up a combination of both originally penned tunes and obscure covers. Mixing both Chicago style and Texas blues, KGB is on a mission to spread the news about the blues. All members of the band contribute to the compositions. Some of the biggest crowd pleasers have become known as "girl songs," blues from a female perspective.



SUNDAY, 2:30-3:45, BAD NEWS BLUES

SUNDAY, 4:00-5:30

LONG JOHN HUNTER

Guitar Magazine says Long John Hunter, "Burns down the roadhouses with his torrid live show and a pointed guitar style. Rocking and soulful." John T. Hunter Jr. was born in Louisiana in 1931 and grew up in Arkansas and Texas. He had no interest in music until, at age 22, co-workers at the Beaumont, Texas box factory where he worked took him to see B.B. King perform at the Raven Club. Hunter was amazed at the reception King got from the crowd, especially the frenzy of the women in the audience. The next day Hunter went out and bought a guitar. Even though he had never played before, he was determined to be like B.B. Before long he put a band together and very quickly developed his own style. Less than a year later, Hunter was headlining at the Raven Club. Hunter became a legend in the El Paso area during the 1950s and 1960s, rocking the border town with his wild performances. Since then he's played numerous high-profile concerts including the Chicago Blues Festival, South By Southwest, San Antonio Cultural Festival, Long Beach Blues Festival and tours in Europe and Hawaii. When Long John Hunter rocks his Texas blues, everyone within carshot is invited to the party.

SUNDAY 6:00-7:15

SISTA MONICA PARKER

Affectionately known by friends and fans as Sista Monica, this singer and songwriter is the hottest contemporary female blues performer and recording artist on the music scene today. She is a nominee for the nation's prestigious 1998 W.C. Handy Award for Best Contemporary Blues Female along with Koko Taylor and Debbie Davies. She is also the only woman nominated for the California Music Award's (the "Bammies") for Most Outstanding Blues Artist along with Joe Louis Walker, Robyn Ford and Chris Cain. Born and raised in Gary, Ind., Sista Monica Parker lived in Chicago before relocating to the Bay Area in California. She grew up a gospel singer in the Great Band Missionary Baptist Church choir. In her late 20s, she went to her first Chicago Blues Festival and made a connection with blues music. In 1992, with 15 years of business and technical expertise under her belt, she began singing in her bathroom shower, garage and car. She hired a band, took to the stage and has performed at more than 1,000 festivals and clubs since.

dining guide



Casino Deck Buffet

Come enjoy our newest restaurant the Casino Deck Buffet. With excellent food made by our experience chefs, and a view that never ends, you will never have to gamble again on a great place to eat.

Price Range: \$\$
 Phone: 257-5141
 Address: Inn of the Mountain Gods,
 Carrizo Canyon Road,
 Mescalero
 Hours: Breakfast: 7 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
 Lunch: 12 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
 Dinner: Sun-Thur. 5 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Apache Tee Cafe

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

Price Range: \$\$
 Phone: 257-5141
 Address: Inn of the Mountain Gods,
 Carrizo Canyon Road,
 Mescalero
 Hours: Breakfast: 6:30 a.m. - 11 a.m.
 Lunch: 11 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
 Dinner: Sun-Thur. 5 p.m. - 9 p.m.
 Fri. & Sat. 5 p.m. - 10 p.m.

The InnCredible

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

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

K Bob's Steak House

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

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

Cafe Mescalero

Fine dining in a casual atmosphere is what you'll find at Cafe Mescalero. Serving traditional Mexican food Southwest favorites for lunch and dinner.

Price Range: \$\$
 Phone: 257-6693
 Address: One mile south of the Inn of
 the Mountain Gods, Carrizo
 Canyon Road, Mescalero
 Hours: Open 7 days a week
 Lunch 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
 Dinner 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Sun.—Thur.
 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Fri. & Sat.

Dan Li Ka Dining Room

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

Price Range: \$\$-\$\$\$
 Phone: 257-5141
 Address: Inn of the Mountain Gods, Carrizo
 Canyon Road, Mescalero
 Hours: Breakfast: Mon. - Sat. 7-11 a.m.
 Sun. Breakfast: 7-10 a.m.
 Sun. Brunch: 11-3 p.m.
 Lunch: Mon. - Sat. 11 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
 Dinner: Mon. - Sun. 6-10 p.m.



Meet Susan Miller & Doug Siddens

Real estate professionals representing Alto and Ruidoso properties. Both are glad to show you any of the real estate represented in this brochure. 505-336-4248 or 1-800-687-6602 or Doug's mobile phone 430-8413!

MARK YOUR CALENDER SATURDAY, NOV. 14

We have Alto and Ruidoso homes for sale from 10:00 to 5:00

View one of our properties or if you have questions regarding any of them, whether you are touring a full range of properties. Get the complete list of Alto and Ruidoso homes for sale from the Century 21 Real Estate Professionals.

Our Sales Office is located at

Stop by for a complimentary package of refreshments and a CENTURY 21 Real Estate Professionals located at



Ponderosa Heights Unit 3

Shultzaberger • \$88,000 • 201 East Redwood Dr.
3 bedrooms, 2 bath, appliances only. Wood vegas ceiling, beautiful views.



Ruidoso Springs

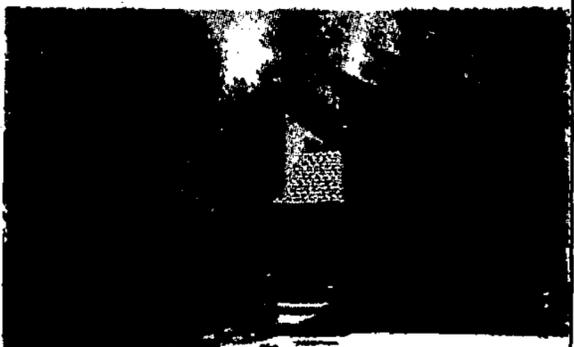
Turner • \$119,900 • 114 Texas Street
3 bedroom, 2 bath, fully furnished with decorator touches, private deck with jacuzzi tub and Sierra Blanca view, walk to the shops location.



Alto

Howze • \$187,500 • 205 Sunset

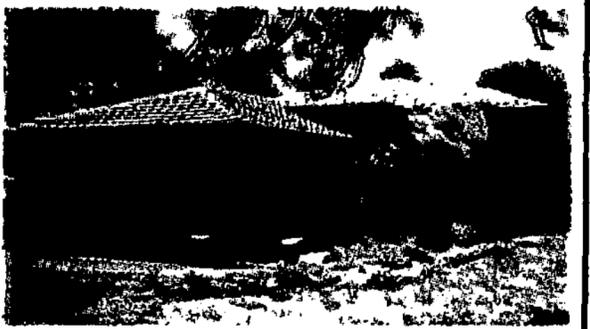
3 bedrooms, 2 bath, full golf membership. Appliances only with fantastic view of Sierra Blanca.



Alto

Tomlin • \$218,000 • 111 Raccoon Court

3 bedrooms, 2 bath. Full golf membership, appliances only. Jacuzzi in the atrium. Very nice.



Alto

Sun Valley Builders • \$249,000 • 312 El Camino

2 bedrooms, 2 bath. Appliances only. Superb quality on this 2 year old home with 2 private court yards.

Upper Canyon

Burger • \$249,900

1042 Main Road

2 completely furnished 3 bedroom, 2 bath homes for 1 price adjacent to the river with beautiful river views!



Rainbow Lakes Fun Park

\$375,000 • 806 Carrizo Canyon Road

Land, building, business, name. 5.023 acres on the creek. High visibility.

Century 21 Aspen Real Estate, Ruidoso, N.M. 88355
800 • 687 • 6602 — 505 • 336 • 4248





Alto

Sun Valley Builders • \$519,000 • 816 Deer Park Drive
3 bdrm, 3 bath, 3 car garage. Just completed!
Full golf membership. The ultimate in country club living!



Alto

Lemaster • \$350,000 • 728 Deer Park Drive
3 bdrm, 3 bath. Fully furnished. Full Golf Membership. Total mountain appeal!



Alto

Mote • \$Call Us! • 739 Deer Park Drive
7 bdrms, 6.5 baths plus 1 1/2 bath in guest apt.
Full Golf Membership with easy access.



Alto

Crawford • \$459,500 • 113 Raccoon Ct.
4 bdrms, 3 1/2 baths. Full Golf Membership, fairly new with lots of light & open floor plan.



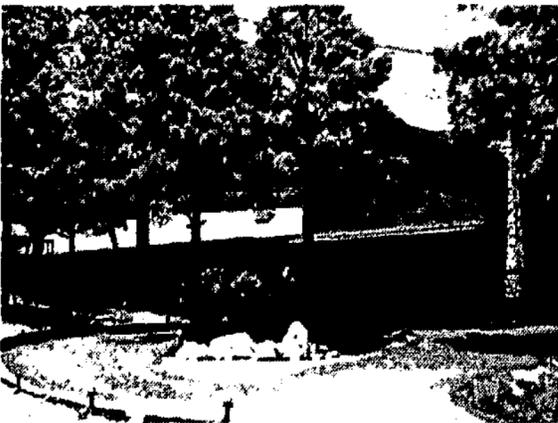
White Mtn. Meadows

Sarwar • \$388,000 • 118 Pat Thompson Ct.
6 bdrms, 4 baths, stucco home with nice landscaping!



Alto

Seidel • \$139,000 • 254 Sierra Blanca Dr.
3/3, furnished, full membership.



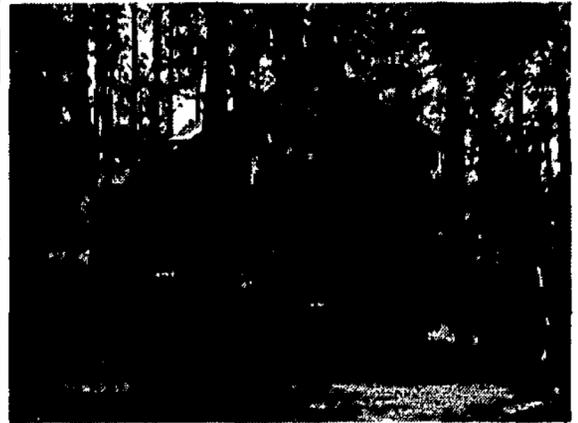
White Mtn. Estates

Siddens • \$329,000 • 105 Don Snyder Dr.
Owner/Agent. 4 bdrms, 3 1/2 baths, separate 1 bdrm, 1 bath, full kitchen and living room in addition. 3 car garage & more!



White Mtn. Estates

Force • \$349,500 • 100 McBride Drive
3 bdrms, 3 1/2 baths. Nice Sierra Blanca view. Large den for entertaining. In immaculate condition!



Alto

Twyford • \$155,000 • 105 Capitan Court
3 bedroom, 2 bath. Full golf membership. Pretty chalet-styled home.



Alto

Tune • \$652,800 • 613 Deer Park Drive
5 bedrooms, 4.5 baths, 2 car garage, full golf member - beautiful Capitan views.



Alto

Turnbo • \$225,000 • 103 Raccoon Court
3 bdrm, 2 bath, 1 car garage on nice wooded level lot with full golf membership.

NEW CONSTRUCTION!

Alto

Powers • \$249,975 • 111 Piñon Drive
3 bedroom, 3 bath. Social membership. Big Sierra Blanca View!



Carrizozo

Hill • \$32,500 • 300 Cedar St.
1 Bdrm, 1 Ba, Adobe completely remodeled, hardwood floors, new appliances, cabinets, sinks, vanities, etc.



Las Lomas

McGarvey • \$67,500 • 604 Colorado St.
4 bedroom, 2 bath. Nice fenced yard. Large den.



SOLD! SOLD! SOLD!

White Mtn. Estates

Morton • \$172,500 • 214 Jack Little
3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage. The perfect retirement home. In like new condition.



White Mtn. Meadows

577 - 583 White Mtn. Meadows Dr.
4 nice patio homes \$96,500 each. 2 bdrm, 2 bath, 1 level, 1 car garage!



Alpine Village

117 Mountain Rd. • \$99,500
2/2 nice home on 2 lots with small barn, 2 horses allowed. Appliances only. NOW VACANT.



Ponderosa Heights,

Thomason • \$109,900 • 103 S Candlewood
Three bedrooms, 2 full baths, 1-car garage. Fully furnished. The perfect get-a-way cabin!



REDUCED \$99,900

Western Hills

Adams • \$109,900 • 112 Bridle Dr.
2/1.5, 2-car garage. New with owner financing. Secluded.



Just Off Paradise Cyn Rd!

Odom • \$36,500 • 137 Debord Dr.
1 bdrm., 1 bath. Do you just come for the weekends and need an affordable cabin - this is it. Completely furnished! Drive by and peak in the windows. Possible owner financing with good down!



Green Meadows

Vestal • \$113,900 • 112 Clover Dr.
3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2-car garage. All one level. Nice fenced yard.



Apache Hills Subdivision

Jaeger • \$116,000 • 125 Apache Hills Dr.
Four bedrooms, 3 baths. Very secluded feeling yet right in town. Very nice - no step entry!



Skyland Addition

Proctor • \$149,900 • 4-Plex
New carpet and paint. All rented 1 bdrm, 1 bath units. Just across from Ruidoso Women's Club.



Enchanted Forest

Kappler • \$93,500 • #14 Mesa Dr.
3 bdrm., 2 bath-2 car garage. Level with wooded country setting. Earth stove and large covered deck.



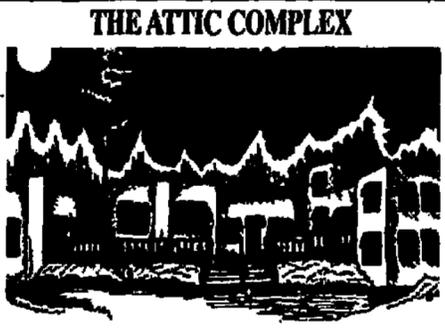
Cree Meadows

Harris • \$159,500 • 135 Rowan
Bdrms 3, baths 2, fairway home. Fenced yard, well maintained.



Commercial

McMahon • \$178,000 • Jira Plaza
Last unit for sale - new - finished!



THE ATTIC COMPLEX

Commercial

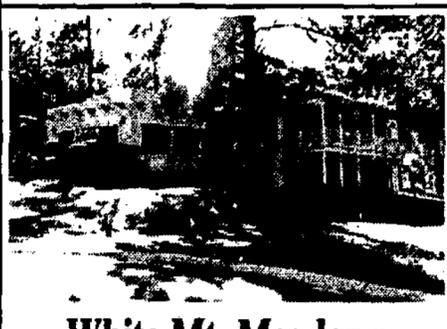
Now available in three separate parcels.
#1-\$125,000 #2-\$239,000 #3-\$299,000
Possible owner financing!



REDUCED \$135,000!!

Middle Cedar

Vigil • \$137,500 • 120 Musketball
3 bedroom, 2 bath. Chalet with Carport. Very nice with Mountain flavor!



White Mt. Meadows

Perkins • \$179,900 • 104 E. Miller Court
3 bedrooms, 3 baths. Trade considered.



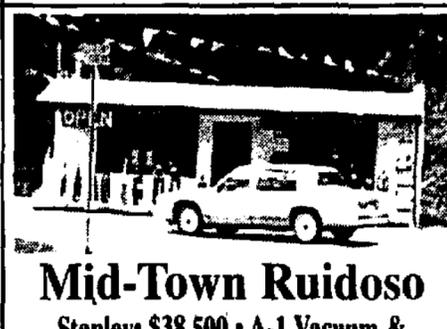
Lake View Estates

Landsheft • \$164,000 • #19 Excalibur Rd.
Outstanding Townhome with enormous views! 3 bdrm., 2 bath.



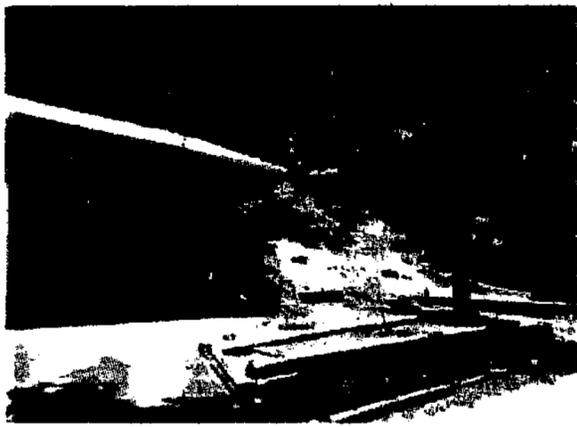
Country Club Est.

Russell • \$119,900 • 311 La Luz Lane
3 bdrms, 2 ba, 2 car gar. Nice 1 level home. In like new condition built by one of Ruidoso's leading builders.



Mid-Town Ruidoso

Stanley • \$38,500 • A-1 Vacuum & Sewing Center • 1925 Sudderth
Name, equipment and inventory. Fantastic established clientele. Small enough for 1 person to handle yet enough income to support a family. Owner will train!



Upper Canyon

Carzoli • \$149,500 • 213 Perk Canyon Dr.
3 bedrooms, 3 bath, with decorator touches throughout.



Upper Canyon

Watt • \$259,000 • 110 Bear Creek Trail
3 bdrm, 2 bath, with 2 fireplaces on the river.



Upper Canyon

Robbins • \$399,900 • 619 Main
3 bdrms, 3 full baths. Plus guest apt. with private entry, on the river on 2 lots!



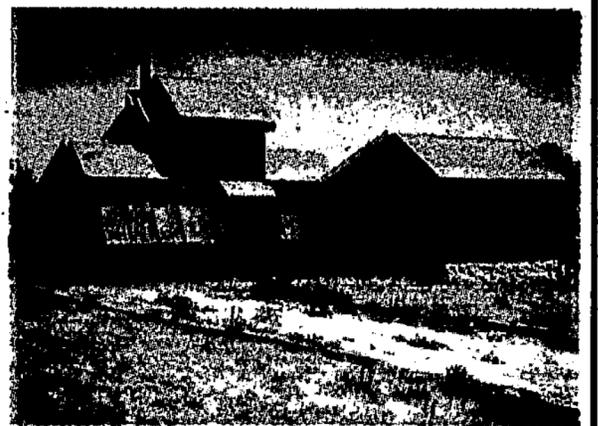
Cedar Creek

Duran • \$179,900 • N. Cedar Creek Rd.
Bedrooms 3, baths 2 1/2, jacuzzi tub, deck, on 1 acre. 2 car garage. Like new condition-motivated seller!



Hamilton Terrace

Fletcher • \$249,000 • 454 Mechem Drive
Great location for all kinds of business or can be used as a super large home. 1.1205 acres of land. One large home and separate guest efficiency!



Alto

Rae • \$119,900 • 234 Mira Monte
3/2, full golf membership. Unfurnished.



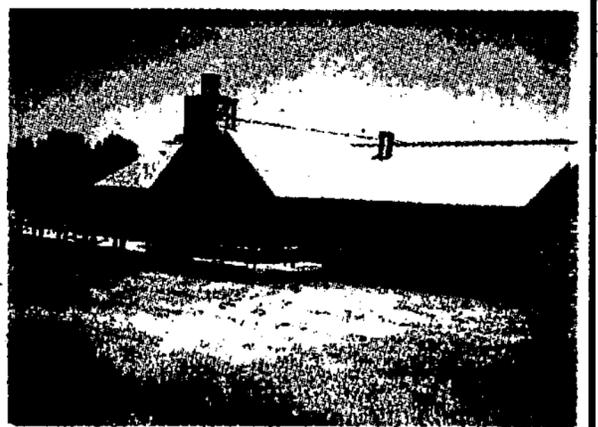
Alto

Bleakney • \$139,500 • 629 Midiron Drive
3 bedroom, 2 baths, full membership. Cute A-frame cabin!



Alto

Gilstrap • \$237,500 • 316 El Camino Dr.
4 bedrooms, 4 baths with full golf membership. Chalet style fully furnished.



Alto

Freiderich • \$225,000 • 1008 High Mesa Dr.
Gorgeous Sierra Blanca View gives this 4 bdrm., 3 bath home that added touch. Full golf membership.



Alto

Nichols • \$249,000 • 104 Fawn Court.
4 Bdrm, 2 1/2 Ba, mountain chalet home with full golf membership and 2 fireplaces. Ask for the detailed furniture addendum that goes with this home.



Alto

Woodard • \$325,000 • 716 Deer Park Dr.
This 1 level custom built home offers 3 bdrm., 2 baths and has an exceptional master suite! Full golf membership this home is in "like new" condition.



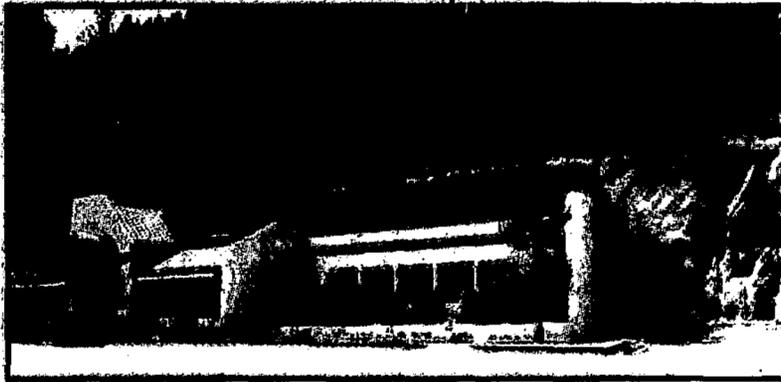
Rancho Ruidoso Estates

Higginbotham • \$349,500 - 300 Valley View
4 Bdrms, 2 1/2 Baths, 2 Car Garage. Beautiful ranch style home on 5 acres with creek. 3000+ Sq. Ft., 2 fireplaces, large den.

Cattle Baron

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

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



Farley's Food Fun & Pub

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

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



Texas Club Grill & Bar

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

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



Top of the Inn Deli & Pizza Parlor

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

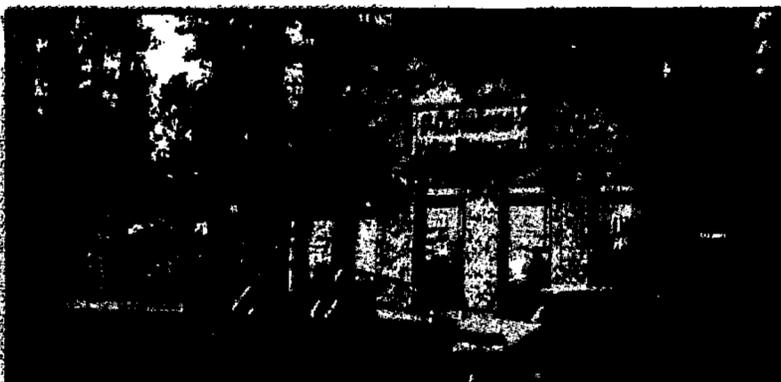
Price Range: \$-\$\$
Phone: 257-5141
Address: Inn of the Mountain
Gods, Carrizo Canyon Road,
Mescalero
Hours: 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Wed., Thurs. & Sun.
11 a.m. to 12 a.m. Fri. and Sat.



Michelena's Italian Restaurant

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

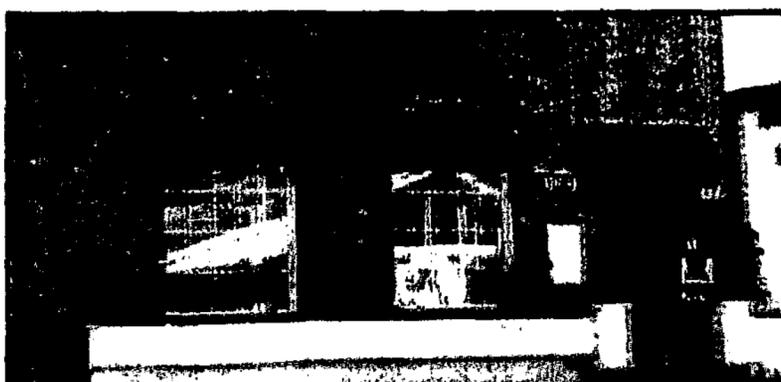
Price Range: \$-\$\$
Phone: 257-5753
Address: 2703 Sudderth Dr. - Midtown
Hours: Open 11:00 a.m.



La Lorraine

La Lorraine specializes in French and gourmet dining. Known for their pepper steak and creme brulee, they're bound to make your mouth water. Also featuring veal, lamb and seafood. Customers rave about the presentation of the food and the outstanding service at La Lorraine.

Price Range: \$\$-\$\$\$
Phone: 257-2954
Address: 2523 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso
Hours: 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Tues.-Sat.,
5:30 to 9 p.m. Mon.-Thurs.,
5:30 to 9:30 p.m. Fri. and Sat.



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

Dining in Ruidoso

GOING OUT

VADONOS!

music

Win, Place & Show

Heading West plays nightly at Win, Place and Show, 2516 Sudderth Dr.

The Quarters

Bad News Blues Band performs Friday, Saturday and Sunday at The Quarters, 2535 Sudderth Dr.

The Texas House

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

Galloping Tortoise

Live music every Sunday, 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m., featuring the country music talents of Randy Jones, Pat McCarthy, Luis Torres, Ken Arthur, Mark Reminton with Dave Jones singing. The Monday Blues, an open-mic blues jams from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. every Monday.

Center Stage

Music and dramatic entertainment at 8 p.m. every Wednesday beginning in the Territorial Theater, 320 S. Lincoln Ave., in Capitán. Admission is \$5 at the door.

Mescalero Nightclub

The Nightclub features DJ music every Friday and Saturday night. Dress code enforced: no cutoffs and no bare midriffs and hats off at the door. Open from 7 p.m.-1 a.m.

Cafe Mescalero

Singer Marcella Garcia performs songs in English and Spanish every Friday and Saturday from 6-10 p.m. Garcia is slated to perform most weekends in June.

performances

The Canadian Brass

STAND-BY tickets only. Tickets are \$30, \$25, \$12. Call the box office for availability, 336-4800.

Father's Day Concert

Piano concert at the Hurd La Rinconada Gallery in San Patricio from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday. Call 800-658-6912 for more information.

Quintet's 'brass tacks' include Bach, some fugues and a smile

Horns will blow Saturday night at the Spencer Theater when The Canadian Brass marches on stage 8 p.m. in tuxedos and their "formal dress" sneakers, bringing a little levity to the idea of a brass quintet.

When The Canadian Brass made its start in Toronto nearly 30 years ago, the idea of a brass quintet was entirely novel. Now this highly entertaining ensemble consistently occupies the high places on the music charts, has created a vast repertoire of music for horns (including classical, jazz, blues, popular music, show tunes and gospel), designs their own instruments and educational materials, and continues to pack concert halls around the world.

With two trumpets, a trombone, French horn and tuba, The Brass puts the swing back in Dixieland and gives Bach a whole new attitude. Taking on the master's Art of the Fugue, arranger Arthur Frackenpohl and the quintet may have salvaged Bach's last creation from eternal dust-gathering (The sequence of fugues is normally an acquired taste). The sound of five horns "fuguing" makes the work sharp, lively and vitally alive, according to reviews.

The Art of the Fugue begins a diverse program for Saturday night's concert at the Spencer Theater, with a taste of Gabrieli and Pergolesi rounding out the classical selections. Then the quintet hangs a sharp left with "A Tribute to Lennon and McCartney," performing some of their best-loved songs. After intermission it's on to "Meditations on Tibet" by Christopher Dedrick, then selections from Bernstein's score for West Side Story, and the perfect finale for a Ruidoso concert — "Hornsmoke: A Horse Opera in One Act" by Peter Schickele.

If you don't have tickets to this concert and you're wondering how to get in, give the Spencer Theater a call at 336-4800 and ask about a waiting list. It may be possible to get tickets at the last minute. The Canadian Brass in concert is a rare one-two, hit-'em-upside-the-head combo of stunning musical virtuosity and spontaneous bouts of hilarity.



SILVERSCREEN

What's showing at Sierra Cinema
For more information call 257-9444.

The X-Files
Rated PG-13
Show times: 12:30 p.m., 3 p.m., 6:45 p.m., 9 p.m.
Plot: The truth is out there, but where? Agents Fox Mulder (David Duchovny) Dana Scully (Gillian Anderson) take to the celluloid to search for revelations about the smoking man, Mulder's sister, Sully's cancer, and possibly, the truth about cats and aliens. Also starring Mitch Pileggi and Martin Landau, the movie version of the popular TV series was directed by Rob Bowman and written by Chris Carter.

Six Days, Seven Nights
Rated PG-13
Show times: 1 p.m., 3:15, 7:15 p.m., 9:30 p.m.
Plot: Harrison Ford stars as a care-free cargo pilot bribed into flying a sharp, driven magazine editor, played by Anne Heche, to Tahiti so she can meet a deadline. When the plane is forced down in a storm, the

two land on a deserted island where danger and romance ensue.

The Truman Show
Rated PG
Show times: 1:15 p.m., 3:30, 7 p.m., 9:15 p.m.
Plot: Twenty-nine years ago, a baby boy was adopted by the OmniCam Corporation to become the subject of the most popular television show of all time. His name is Truman Burbank (Jim Carrey). Truman Burbank has the feeling that he's being watched. He doesn't know how right he is. Every second of every day, from the moment he was born, for the last 30 years, Truman Burbank has been the unwitting star of the longest running, most popular documentary-soap opera in history. He lives every moment under the unblinking gaze of thousands of hidden TV cameras. Welcome to "The Truman Show." The whole world is watching.

VIDEORAMA

- Showtime Video's June releases**
- June 16
- Fallen
 - Spice World
 - Switchback
 - Wings of the Dove
- June 23
- Mr. Magoo
 - The Postman
 - Uncle Sam
 - Welcome to Sarajevo
- June 30
- Amistad
 - Gold Coast
 - Half Baked
 - Postmortem
 - TMNT - The Next Mutation

- Showtime Video's Most Rented Videos for June 12 to June 19**
- Scream 2
 - As Good As Gets
 - The Rainmaker
 - Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil
 - Star Ship Troopers
 - Mousehunt
 - L. A. Confidential
 - Alien Resurrection
 - For Richer or Poorer
 - Flubber
 - Desperate Measures
 - An American Werewolf in Paris
 - Copland
 - End of Violence
 - Fallen
 - Home Alone 3
 - Joey
 - The Rage
 - Tomorrow Never Dies

Information courtesy of Showtime Video, 1715 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso, 257-2801.

BILLBOARD'S BEST

- Top 10 Albums**
1. Master P: MP Da Last Don
 2. The Smashing Pumpkins: Adore
 3. City Of Angels: Soundtrack
 4. Godzilla: Soundtrack
 5. Hope Floats: Soundtrack
 6. DMX: It's Dark And Hell Is Hot
 7. Backstreet Boys: Backstreet Boys
 8. Reba McEntire: If You See Him
 9. Garth Brooks: The Limited Series
 10. Orisx: Shut 'Em Down

- Top 10 Singles**
1. "The Boy Is Mine," Brandy & Monica
 2. "You're Still The One," Shania Twain
 3. "Too Close," Next
 4. "My All," Mariah Carey
 5. "Get Lonely," Janet
 6. "Everybody (Backstreet's Back)," Backstreet Boys
 7. "They Don't Know," Jon B.
 8. "All My Life," K-Ci & Jojo
 9. "Adia," Sarah McLachlan
 10. "Truly Madly Deeply," Savage Garden

See the Grand Canyon in Alamo

The most requested film in the history of the Clyde W. Tombaugh IMAX Dome Theater - "Grand Canyon: The Hidden Secrets" - is returning to the unique Alamogordo theater for a limited engagement, beginning July 1. The Tombaugh IMAX Dome Theater is the smallest IMAX Dome theater in the world and because of its size it offers the sharpest projected image of any domed theater.

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There will be a special program following the 7 p.m. July 1 showing. Superintendent Dennis Vasquez of White Sands National Monument, who transferred to White Sands from Grand Canyon National Park, will talk about his tour of duty at the Grand Canyon. There will be no additional charge for the special presentation.

Cost is \$6 for adults, \$5.50 for seniors and military, \$5 for youth (13-17), and \$4 for children 12 and under. Children under 5 are admitted free of charge.

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WHILE COLE, THE JAMES BOYS AND THE OTHERS WERE ALL SEASONED OUTLAWS, ALL OF THEM KNEW THAT THE UNEXPECTED WAS ALWAYS A POSSIBILITY. AND IT WAS IN GALLATIN THAT THE UNEXPECTED HAPPENED.

Frank James and Cole Younger were in Liberty, Missouri, February 13, 1866. As part of a group of a dozen or so men in town that morning they took part in the first peacetime bank robbery in America. With the exception of Arch Clements, none of the other bandits was ever identified.

A little over two years later, on March 21, 1868, the James/Younger gang struck again in Russellville, Kentucky. This time, Jesse James more or less recovered from the wound he received when he tried to surrender to Union authorities at the close of the Civil War, and Jim Younger, brother to Cole and former bushwhacker himself, were present.

In addition, the gang included George and Oliver Shepherd, Jim White and John Jarrette. As in Liberty two years before, the gang rode slowly into town and approached Russellville's Southern Bank of Kentucky.

Several of the robbers were led by Jesse James into the bank while the rest of the outlaws remained mounted in the street. When the unmistakable sound of gunfire erupted from inside the bank the men in the street spurred their horses into action.

One of the standard practices of the James/Younger gang was to gallop up and down the street while a robbery was being committed. The bandits would shriek rebel yells and fire their pistols to keep citizens off of the street. For years, thanks to this tactic, resistance from local citizens was minimal. Minimal, that is, until the gang rode into Northfield, Minnesota in 1876 — but I'm getting ahead of myself.

Jim Younger

Jim Younger was not thought to be present in Liberty, Missouri in 1866, but he was identified as one of the bandits present in Russellville, Kentucky in 1868. While the Youngers' best biographer, Marley Brant, feels that Jim was an unwilling outlaw at best, he was identified as one of seven armed men who attempted a holdup in Corydon, Iowa on June 3, 1871. None of Jim's brothers or either of the James boys were ever implicated in this robbery, so it does give one pause to wonder just how unwilling a participant Jim really was.

At any rate, Jim and his six cohorts attempted to rob the office of the county treasurer. The quick-thinking clerk foiled their attempt by inform-

ing the robbers that the money was all kept at the nearby Obocock Brothers Bank.

One wonders just what the Obocock Brothers thought of this little subterfuge.

At any rate, the gang met with no resistance in the bank, made a sizeable withdrawal and galloped out of town. A posse was hurriedly formed and actually managed to catch up with the outlaws. A number of shots were exchanged without anyone on either side being hit before the posse decided that there were more important things in life than money, and they withdrew back to Corydon.

Gallatin

It was about noon on December 7, 1869 when Cole Younger, Jesse and Frank James and several other bandits rode into Gallatin, Missouri. They were headed for the Daviess County Savings Bank.

While Cole, the James Boys and the others were all seasoned outlaws, all of them knew that the unexpected was always a possibility. And it was in Gallatin that the unexpected happened.

When Jesse James stepped up to the cashier's cage, the man that turned toward him was a face that Jesse recognized. According to Jesse, it was not a face that brought back pleasant memories.

Jesse claimed that the cashier, John Sheets, was in fact, "Captain Cox," the man Jesse held responsible for the death and decapitation of his Civil War mentor, Bloody Bill Anderson. The James family claims that Jesse called out "Captain Cox!" to Sheets and when the man responded, well, that was all the proof Jesse needed. He shot Sheets on the spot, killing him instantly. It has never been satisfactorily explained whether or not Cox and Sheets were, in fact, the same man.

The other bandit in the bank that day was Cole Younger, and he never commented on Jesse's actions and whether or not he felt they were justified.



BOB YOUNGER

A Positive ID

Whatever the case, the sound of the gunfire brought the townsmen running. When Jesse went to mount his horse, it bolted, leaving him afoot in a street that was rapidly filling with gunsmoke. He jumped up behind big brother Frank and the outlaws thundered out of town, guns blazing.

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The horse that bolted was later traced to Jesse and for the first time the authorities knew for whom they were searching. And, once the James Boys had been identified, it wasn't a real big leap to connect their friends, the Youngers, with them.

It was on April 29, 1872, in Columbia, Kentucky, that the James/Younger gang struck again. On that day it was the "core group" of the gang that was implicated in the robbery of Columbia's Deposit Bank: Jesse and Frank James, in the company of Cole, Jim and Bob Younger — the James/Younger Gang.

The bank employees in Columbia were not about to just give in without a fight, and within moments of the bandits entrance into the bank, guns began to roar. One employee was hit in the hand and cashier A.J. Martin died instantly with a bullet in the head. Again the James and Younger brothers galloped out of town.

John Younger

Another of the Younger brothers, John, had been having troubles of his own. Back in 1866, as a 15-year-old, John Younger had shot and killed a man named Gillcreas, who had been foolish enough to come at the armed Younger with a slingshot, of all things.

In 1871, in Dallas, John was involved in a melee that left one lawman dead, one wounded, and John with some buckshot in his arm.

John Younger's Waterloo came at a place called Monegaw Springs, Missouri, on March 16, 1874. While never a regular member of the James/Younger gang, it is thought that John may have been present the previous January for a train robbery engineered by the gang at Gads Hill, Missouri. Whether or not John was present at Gads Hill, he was definitely hiding out with brother Jim at the home of a friend in Monegaw Springs.

Two Pinkerton Detectives, Louis Lull and John Boyle, spent a day in the vicinity posing as "cattle buyers." When the two "cattlemen" stopped at the home where the Youngers were hiding, the brothers concealed themselves and then followed the two detectives.

When the Youngers overtook the Pinkertons on the road, John instantly levelled his shotgun at them at the same time that former guerrilla Jim levelled two pistols. The detectives were instructed to divest themselves of all weapons, which they promptly did. However, when Jim jumped to the ground and began collecting the detectives weapons, Lull suddenly produced a pistol and opened fire on John.

Lull's bullet struck John in the throat, causing him to reflexively fire both barrels of the shotgun into Lull, killing him and blasting him out of the saddle. Jim, though struck in the thigh by Boyle, managed to kill the detective with return fire. When Jim turned back to his brother John, John was already dead.

As previously stated, this was John Younger's Waterloo. Brothers Cole, Jim and Bob would not meet their own fates — the inevitable fate of outlaws in the Old West — for another year and a half. And in a place none of them ever expected to be in, either: a small town in Minnesota called Northfield.

Sources: "The Encyclopedia of Western Gunfighters" by Bill O'Neal; "The Outlaw Youngers" by Mailey Brant; "I, Jesse James" by James Rosa (great-grandson of Jesse James).



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