



LCMC administrator Valerie Miller resigns

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
 RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

After eight years as administrator of the Lincoln County Medical Center, Valerie Miller announced her resignation late Thursday during the closed-to-the-public portion of the county hospital's board meeting.

Gary Mitchell, chairman of the board, confirmed after the meeting that Miller said she is resigning because of health reasons. She also will be leaving Presbyterian HealthCare Systems, a firm with which she has been associated for more than a decade and that manages the hospital under contract with the county.

"She wanted to stay, but for health reasons, it's time to go and enjoy life. We hope she'll stay in Ruidoso," Mitchell said.

Miller declined to comment, but obviously was moved by the decision. She has undergone surgeries during the past few years.

No definite time has been set for Miller's last day or for the hiring of a new administrator, Mitchell said.

"The hospital staff will be notified of her resignation (this morning)," he said.

L. Ray Nunley, chairman of the Lincoln County Commission, said he learned of Miller's intended resignation Thursday.

"I appreciate the job she has done," Nunley said. "She was with Presbyterian HealthCare Systems when Wal-Mart opened (and Nunley became its pharmacist). She's made sure people were taken care of. I'm making reference to the way she handled the indigent fund. I don't know anyone who was turned away from there."

"I know probably there have been shortcomings somewhere, but it wasn't from a lack of effort on her part."

Under Miller's administration, the hospital moved from a precarious financial position to an "in the black" operation with the help of a special property tax levy that has been reapproved every three years by voters to buy major equipment and to go toward the general operation, if necessary.

"Valerie came and saved us eight years ago when we were in deep trouble," Mitchell said. "She turned the hospital into one of the finest in the nation and it has received honors no one dreamed it would ever get."

"She was a gift to us and there's no way we can ever repay her for the heart and soul she put in this hospital and everyone is the better for

having Valerie here all these years. We'll miss her."

As usual, Miller already was planning ways to help the board move forward, he said.

"She already was prepared to help us in selecting a new administrator," Mitchell said. "She will work with the board in that process and she'll give us plenty of time to select someone."

"We have the right to hire (or to let Presbyterian being in someone). We'll take a look at all options we have available. We reviewed several criteria tonight and we're going to get input from the great hospital staff she's put together, the medical staff, the auxiliary members, the county commissioners and the public."

Arrested officer out on bail

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
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A Ruidoso police officer, charged last week with embezzlement, was released from Otero County jail after his family put up their farm in Belen as security for the \$75,000 bail set by Magistrate Judge William Butts.

Defense attorney J. Robert Beauvais argued for a lower bail for Luis Torres, a five-year veteran of the department and former Belen police chief. He pointed out that a police officer may not be safe in jail. But Butts said law enforcement officers should be held to a higher standard. The community puts its trust in a police officer, he said during Torres' arraignment on the fourth-degree felony.

Ruidoso Police Chief Lanny Maddox, who fired Torres July 16 after he was charged, said the investigation is continuing. The former officer is accused of spending more than \$200 from a purse turned into him.

According to police, Torres normally worked the graveyard shift from late evening to early morning. A woman reported finding a purse with some money inside. Torres is accused of taking the purse, but reportedly did not interview the woman or take down her name. He didn't file a report, Maddox said.

The criminal complaint signed by Bern and read by Butts during a hearing states Torres admitted to spending the money.

District Attorney Scot Key will prosecute the case in Lincoln County.

Torres was hired to the Ruidoso Police Department by former police chief Richard Swenor in April 1993 and worked initially with the narcotics task force.

Torres served with the Belen Police Department first in 1986 and then as chief starting in March 1990, according to personnel records at the Belen city hall.

He was demoted to sergeant in July 1992 and he resigned in December of that year. The resignation came after he was placed on paid suspension by his successor, chief Ray Jaramillo, for "gross insubordination, malfeasance and neglect of duty," according to a report in the *Valencia County News Bulletin*. At the time, Torres and his attorney contended the actions of the city officials amounted to retaliation for a suit he had filed against the town.



Lauren Moran records data while Sean Alexander removes some dirt from a pit house being excavated at a site that saw multiple occupations of a prehistoric people.

Discoveries in Lincoln County continue to be unearthed Digging for insights to prehistoric life

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
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Sitting next to a adobe plastered hearth used more than a thousand years ago by the Jornada Mogollon, University of Delaware professor Tom Rocek contemplates the life of the prehistoric people who made the land along the Rio Bonito their seasonal home.

Although he has excavated at the central Lincoln County site on and off for the past 11 years, Rocek always finds something new.

This year, the crew of about a dozen graduate and undergraduate students from the universities of Delaware, Michigan and Pennsylvania, have uncovered a wall of a pit house, bringing the count to four excavated to date.

"Last year, we only knew of two for sure and possibly a third," Rocek said Thursday. "Now we have four and we're seeing occupation in a sequence — pairs of houses sitting on top of each other."

They also have excavated a deep storage pit, similar to others excavated

in 1989. The usual contents include corn and fire-cracked rocks.

"What's happening here is that the pit is filled, not with what they had been storing, but with trash dumped there later," Rocek said. "It's over one meter deep and (there is) an opportunity to see the different layers of sediment."

Archaeologists look for changes in the sediment, he said. Different colors or fragments indicate changes in conditions.

"The dirt records what happened," he said. "As you dig you make maps and record the location of each artifact."

Tom Rocek,
 professor of archeology

The pit houses, which were dug into the ground and roofed with branches coated with adobe and supported by wooden beams, are larger than anticipated at 6.5 meters across, but also shallow at 35 centimeters deep.

"One thing I want to know is what

season they occupied these houses," he said. "I figure it wasn't year-around. In 1989, we found a corn stalk fragment and a lot of corn, so I'm guessing it was the warm season near the fields."

Other questions Rocek is trying to answer include the relationship between the development of village life and the development of agriculture at the site, the number of people occupying the site at any one time and in successive occupations, how close the houses were to each other, and the number of people in each house and their social relationship — especially because the houses were relatively large.

The Jornada Mogollon are believed to have inhabited the village where Rocek and his crew are digging from 550 A.D. to 1,000 A.D. They are part of the same culture that later left its mark in pit houses and designs pecked in stone at Three Rivers Petroglyph Park on U.S. 54 at the western foot of the Sacramento Mountains.

Prehistoric bands looked for sites that would provide good water, good fuel and good farming — and this one appar-

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Highway construction to start again

Lime will be used to make the surface more stable

BY SANDY SUGGITT
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The widening of Mechem Drive awaits only written agreement from the state and some dry weather, said Bill Loomis, project manager for Meadow Valley Contractors, Inc, which is handling the construction.

The \$8 million project to widen about four miles of Mechem Drive was halted in late June because the soil along the road has too high a clay content and is unstable, "like Jello," Loomis said.

Ernest Sanchez, project manager for the state, has said because soil from only location so far, project coordinators don't know whether the clay soil would be a problem for the entire length of the road construction project.

On July 15 state highway officials and construction contractors discussed three options for stabilizing the soil and Tuesday night they reached a decision.

"We received a verbal okay (Tuesday night) to go ahead with the lime treatment of the soil and we're in the process of preparing the grade," Loomis said.

He has contacted the company that will provide the lime to treat the soil.

The treatment will be run about a foot deep, and all the construction company is waiting for is a written agreement and cooperation from the weather.

Treating the soil with lime will cost approximately \$600,000, Loomis said, and it will take about 30 days to do.

"It's going to be deep fall as far as paving the sides," he said. "These rains are killing us. We expect to get this side (the right side) completed by late fall if everything'll hold together."

Work continues along the east side of the road to replace water lines and utilities, but Loomis said the delay caused by the clay soil means the entire project probably won't be finished until next year.

The rejected options for stabilizing the soil were: to excavate the soil under the road to a depth of 2 feet and replace it with stable soil—the most costly and time consuming option; to put a geo-textile or geo-grid over the soil. The estimated cost of these options was between \$500,000 and \$1 million, Loomis said.

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Thunderstorms

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Thunderstorms

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Ruidoso Readings	High	Low	Precip.
Tuesday	83	52	.02"
Wednesday	82	51	.06"
Thursday	76	48	.28"

Regional-Wednesday	High	Low	Forecast
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El Paso, TX	94	69	Thunderstorms
Lubbock, TX	97	71	Thunderstorms
Midland, TX	98	72	Thunderstorms



July/Aug. phases of the moon



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There's no moonlight to wash out the Milky Way during most of July's second half, so now is the time to scout out this and other sights requiring deep darkness. It arches across the sky below Vega. Deneb is right in the Milky Way's midst, and Altair hangs on its lower edge.

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County commission to hold special meeting

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
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Carrizozo residents and officials are expected to show up in force tonight for a special meeting of the Lincoln County Commission to discuss possible sites for a new jail.

Mayor Manuel Hernandez and his governing council are fighting to keep the new jail in town by offering a free site and utilities connections at the Carrizozo Industrial Park.

The existing jail, more than three decades old, is situated in the county courthouse complex in Carrizozo, next to the sheriff's office and across a courtyard from the district attorney's office and the magistrate and district courts.

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"You can expect it will be loud," Gary Mitchell said of the meeting that will begin at 6:30 p.m. and be conducted in the commission room at the courthouse.

Mitchell is chairman of a jail committee appointed by commissioners to review crowding and living conditions at the jail and to recommend a course of action.

The committee urged the county to move ahead with construction of a new jail, possibly with 100 beds compared to the 47 beds now available.

Mitchell, who along with other lawyers in his firm, often is appointed as public defender,

offered a personal recommendation that the new jail be built somewhere closer to Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs, where most of the crime occurs in the county, and most of the defendants live.

Commissioners also are looking at including courtrooms in the new jail to further reduce the cost of transporting prisoners.

Since the meeting was first announced, six other items have been added to the agenda.

Commissioners will reconsider a proposal by the Museum of the Horse in Ruidoso Downs to manage the county Rural Events Center in Glencoe. The museum was the only entity to respond to a

request for proposals advertised by the county.

Commissioners said they were interested, but thought the money required for the museum, ranging from \$146,480 the first year to \$155,360 the second and \$145,950 the third, was too high.

Chairman L. Ray Nunley and Commissioner Monroy Montes met with museum representatives last week, but they wouldn't budge from the mark, Nunley said. To improve the center, build exhibits and promote it as proposed, the money is needed, they contended.

DIG: The prehistoric inhabitants apparently lived in the area seasonally

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ently satisfied those requirements. The village covers about 400 square meters, Rocek said. The crew last year found a significant amount of burnt corn indicating a heavy agricultural dependence as early as 550 A.D.

Contributing to Rocek's view that the occupants were seasonal are the types of underground storage pits they

used -- about one meter across and deep -- typical of a culture that temporarily abandoned its sites.

When part of the crew begins covering the current dig with dirt to preserve it for future exploration, Rocek will do some preliminary excavation on another part of the site to see what might make a good excavation next year.

Unlike amateur trophy hunters, the crew meticulously records every feature of the

houses to place them in context to the next. The value of artifacts is that they can tell a story of the ancient people who existed at a time when natural springs bubbled from the mountains around Nogal and a molten flow of lava spilled from a cinder cone on the Tularosa Basin.

When artifacts end up in private collections, they lose much of their relevance, although they may be identified as to the style of design

and probable period.

Originally from Czechoslovakia, Rocek grew up in the United States and at an early age began reading about archaeology. But he was in college before he realized he could earn a living in the field.

His major area of interest always has been the Southwest, focusing mostly in New Mexico and Arizona. His first dig was outside of Albuquerque with the University of New Mexico.

Border Patrol raids Chef Lupe's, five workers deported

BY SANDY SUGGITT
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Chef Lupe's lost five employees to the Border Patrol Wednesday and will have to close the night shift until Lupe Gallegos, the owner of the restaurant, can find new employees, Gallegos said Thursday.

"I'm going to work 16 hours a day, and my wife and a woman who's been here a couple years, but I have to close the night shift, I can't do 24 hours," Gallegos said.

The restaurateur said his business will be open from about 6 a.m. to about 10 or 11 p.m.

"I'm definitely trying to get some help and get it back open 24 hours," Gallegos said.

Doug Mosier of the El Paso Public Affairs Office of the

Border Patrol said agents "were summoned from Alamogordo by the local police department and given information referencing a criminal alien that was believed to be working at Chef Lupe's."

Mosier said the agents arrived at Chef Lupe's around 10 a.m. Wednesday and did not find the "criminal alien" but found "two others of unlawful immigration status."

Three more undocumented people were taken from a residence on S. Begonia shared by all five, he said.

The five Mexican nationals, aged 22, 23, 25, 25, and 36, "were processed and voluntarily deported back to their native country, in Mexico," Mosier said.

Mosier said the Mexican Nationals were not identified

because they did not commit any crimes and chose to voluntarily return.

But, according to the Ruidoso police, it was the Border Patrol that called the

department, which differs from what Mosier reported.

"We didn't call them, they called us," Detective Robert Layher of the Ruidoso Police Department said.



The Moore-Roberts Store in Nogal, which burned in the 1930s. courtesy Johnson Szostars

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July 26, 1900

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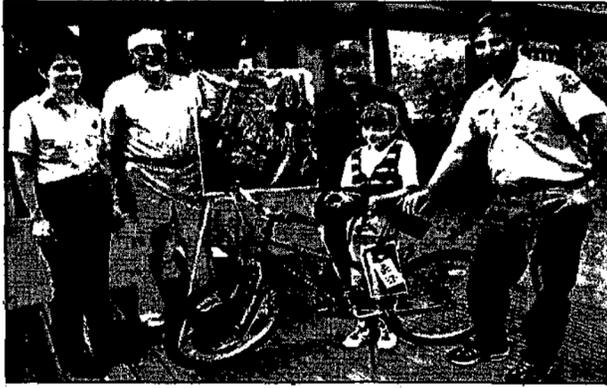
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Jeanette Zagone, 11, admires the bicycle she received as winner of a poster contest sponsored by the Forest Health Association. The association asked fourth, fifth and sixth grade teachers to have their students submit posters depicting their idea of a healthy forest. Association president Ross Dingman, second left, said the contest will be expanded next year to include schools outside of Ruidoso and scouting groups. Representing the association from left are Lynn Hutchison of the state forestry division, Dingman, Tom Chavez of the Ruidoso Firefighters Association, Local 3545 and Larry Cordova of the U.S. Forest Service.

Horse museum designer looks at Vietnam War

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

To Lincoln County residents, the idea that Gary Miller is trying to start a multi-million dollar national museum focusing on the Vietnam War, its past and current impacts isn't surprising.

After all, Miller once was director of the Lincoln Heritage Trust Museum, he put together the original concept and design for The Museum of the Horse in Ruidoso Downs, he was director of the Mighty Eighth Air Force Heritage Museum in Savannah, Ga., and worked on exhibits throughout the United States and Belize.

But this time, Miller — an artist with his own studio gallery in the historic settlement of Lincoln — plans to tackle a subject closer to his own heart. A former Air Force navigator and bombardier, Miller flew B-52s during the Vietnam conflict.

As president of his own museum planning firm, Museum Development Group, Miller is trying to raise \$200,000 to pay for an exhibit and architectural design package to show potential backers of the museum.

The total project could cost from \$18 million to \$35 million, depending on the building design and the size of the collection, Miller said. He would be associated with Scott Barnard Architects of Savannah in the development of the project.

Miller also is looking for a home for the museum in a major city with a good airport to attract international visitors. The list includes Albuquerque, Dallas/Fort Worth, Seattle, Denver and Washington D.C.

Although Miller had been



Lincoln artist and former museum director Gary Miller stands next to a F-4 Phantom flown during the Vietnam era and now parked at the Sierra Blanca Regional Airport north of Ruidoso.

thinking about a national Vietnam museum for more than a year, a chance encounter with actress Dana Delany last November at his gallery spurred him to action.

Delany, who earned two Emmys for her portrayal of a field nurse during the Vietnam War in a television series called "China Beach," was in Lincoln County filming a movie called "The Outfitters."

She encouraged Miller to tell the stories of the men and women who fought, nursed and otherwise were touched by the war.

"You don't remember Vietnam very well, do you?" Miller said he asked Delany.

She responded that she was only 12 during the heat of the war and only remembered part of it.

"That's when I realized the next generation — her gen-

eration — would be the one to tell the stories and play a direct role in carrying on the memories of the war," Miller said.

"The Vietnam era was one of the most pivotal and influential times in recent American history. I believe that a National Vietnam Experience Center will help ensure this defining moment in American's past is better understood and, more importantly, not forgotten by both future generations of Americans, as well as visitors to the center from abroad."

The museum would be a purely cultural, non-political project, Miller said. It would feature interactive participation and exhibits.

"The center would encourage and assist in exploration and investigation, which would not deny the past, but

rather bring a clear and more profound understanding to the Vietnam era, while building bridges among all participants, whether they were on the battle field, in the political arena or on the home front," Miller said. "The purpose would be to provide the knowledge which will enable each of us to put aside the issues that separate and to embrace those things that bring us together and define our humanity."

Miller hopes to receive support for the initial conceptual development planning phase from individual benefactors, foundations and organizations with an interest in the era.

For more information, contact Miller at (505) 653-4650 (phone and fax), or P.O. Box 124, Lincoln, NM 88338.

El Pasoan killed in accident Tuesday on Highway 54

An El Paso woman was killed Tuesday in a single-car accident on Highway 54 south of Carrizozo, according to state police.

April Acevedo, 17, died in the accident that occurred seven miles north of the Otero County line, said State Police Lt. William Bower.

The driver of the car, Sarah Acevedo, 21, sister of the deceased, is in critical condition in a hospital in El Paso.

Passenger Andy Perez, 22, is in satisfactory condition at Gerald Champion Memorial Hospital in Alamogordo, Bower said.

"It appears the driver fell asleep, drove off the eastern part of the roadway, hit a Highway Department sign and went airborne 65 feet over a culvert, then the car twisted in the air and landed on its roof," he said.

The deceased was apparently sleeping in the back seat of the car. It is not known whether she was wearing a seat belt or not, Bower said.

The driver was wearing a seat belt, but State Police do not know if Perez was wearing a seat belt, the lieutenant said.

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With a minimum of three days advance notice Americans With Disabilities Act compliance auxiliary aids will be made available. Also with sufficient notice, a translator will be provided for non-English speaking residents. Those residents unable to attend the public hearing may send written comments or call:

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11 DE AGOSTO, 1998
LA CIUDAD DE CARRIZOZO, NUEVO MEXICO

El Condado de Lincoln tendra una junta publica el martes, 11 de Agosto, 1998 a las 5:00 de la tarde en el edificio de los Comisionados, situado en Carrizozo, Nuevo Mexico. El proposito de la junta publica sera para discutir el programa de Desarrollo en la Comunidad del Conjunto de Donacion de Nuevo Mexico (CDBG) y para avisar a los ciudadanos de las metas del programa, la escala de actividades elegibles, el uso de fondos y otra informacion pertinente. Tambien es para obtener las opiniones de la ciudadanía sobre el desarrollo de la comunidad y necesidades de habitacion, particularmente las necesidades de la gente ingresos bajos y moderados.

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OUR OPINION

Heat from elsewhere

The American Civil Liberties Union, most often referred to simply as the ACLU, now appears to be looking closely at Lincoln County's much-criticized jail.

A representative for the organization said his county jail tour last week was part of an on-going investigation of jail conditions prompted by several complaints about treatment of prisoners.

The ACLU spokesman, however, didn't divulge any findings resulting from the visit; those, he said, will be passed along to the state ACLU organization and its board of advisers.

Interestingly enough, one of the advisers is Ruidoso lawyer Gary Mitchell, who has a particular interest in jails. He's not only a high-profile defender in cases of capital crimes but also part of a committee that has urged the county to build a new jail and judicial complex somewhere nearer the center of the county's population.

It's doubtful that the attention in Carrizozo from the ACLU is particularly pleasing to the county officials who are struggling with a jail problem they know must be resolved. The ACLU, most of us know, is that national organization dedicated to protecting the rights of the individual against the power of government. Too often, it's considered as no more than a bunch of outsiders from the big city poking around in things best left to local folks; it's a mighty pot-stirrer and flame-fanner.

But it's important to remember that the ACLU is exercising no greater right than any individual has in dealing with government. It has no police powers, no "official" status; it merely observes, reveals, and sometimes succeeds in its stated mission of defending individual freedoms.

For that reason alone, its report should carry weight.

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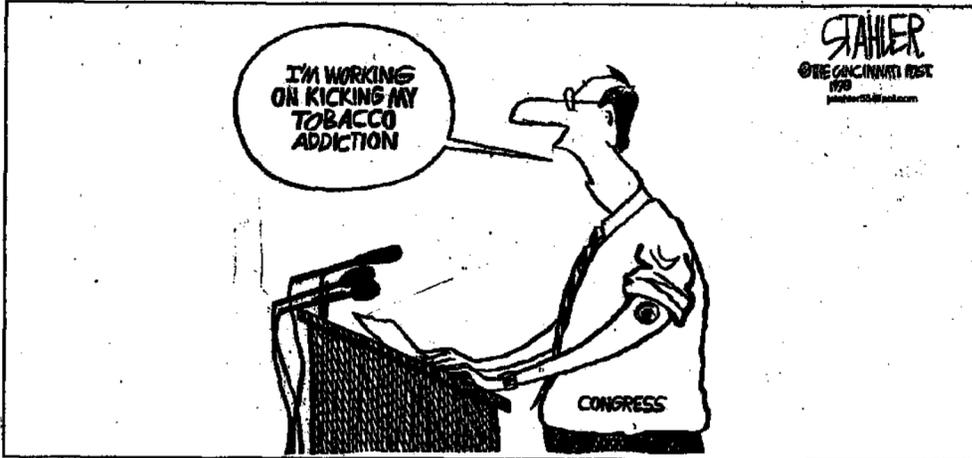
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YOUR OPINION

No motors at Grindstone

To the editor:

The State of New Mexico controls fishing methods at Grindstone Dam.

The July 15 meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission brings back many interesting discussions when the dam was constructed about 15 years ago. At the P&R meeting it was suggested that the use of electric-powered outboard motors be approved at Grindstone Lake.

Grindstone was built as a water supply source. Recreation, including fishing, camping, boating, etc., was a secondary factor and not given primary consideration in the planning phase of the dam.

In fact, at one point, a 50-foot easement around the entire lake was considered, to provide better control of waste resulting from recreation. To accommodate fishing and boating, a five-acre area in the southwest corner of the lake would be reserved, in which a fishing and boating dock would be built along with a bait and tackle house and refreshment stand to accommodate recreation...

Unfortunately, village councils to follow did not accept the dock idea and the matter did not come to pass.

In the meantime we were told in no uncertain terms by those in Santa Fe who controlled water quality that no propulsion methods including boat motors would be allowed at the Grindstone Dam.

Perhaps those wanting a waiver on this point should go to the source for an answer.

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

What Brady Bill success?

To the editor:

On June 21, the Justice Department released a report...which alleges that the Brady waiting-period law blocked 242,000 handgun sales between Feb. 28, 1994 (when the law went into effect), and Dec. 3, 1997, including 69,000 during 1997 alone. President Clinton promptly claimed that "keeping guns out of the hands of criminals has helped cut the crime rate to its lowest point in a generation."

Actually, however, there is no hard evidence that the Brady Law has kept 242,000 or 69,000, or even a dozen, criminals from obtaining guns. The most that can be said is that it has kept some from securing handguns legally. And since the administration has declined, with a mere handful of exceptions, to prosecute convicted felons caught trying to buy guns, the claim that the Brady Law is an effective crime-fighting tool remains as ludicrous today as in the past.

The National Rifle Association's Institute for Legislative Action points out that "it is a federal felony carrying a ten-year sentence for a criminal to try to buy a gun. Where are the thousands of criminals they claim Brady has stopped. Are they being let go or arrested?"...An earlier report by the General Accounting Office...found that the first 17 months under the Brady Law resulted in a mere seven convictions, with only three violators actually serving time. Understandably, the latest Justice Department statistical charade neglects to mention either arrest or conviction rates for felons whose handgun purchase applications have been rejected. Such figures would fur-

ther expose the Brady law as the ludicrous farce it is.

Darrell E. Witt
Alto

Where's Joe Skeen?

To the editor:

Wanted: Information regarding the whereabouts of Congressman Joe Skeen. He is not interested enough in his constituency to show up in person at events (without his assistants to cover for him); he is not interested enough to discuss issues with his Democratic opponent in the November election.

What exactly is he interested in? When is the last time the voters have seen Rep. Skeen here in the Second Congressional District explaining what he is doing for his \$136,000 salary? His standard excuse for not showing up is "pressing business in Washington." This lame excuse is unacceptable.

I'm sure other representatives are just as busy...yet they are able to present themselves to their constituents in person.

He needs to be held accountable for his extremist voting record, racist statements, and that he only represents himself and his special friends.

Example No. 1: He voted yes to pass the Capitol Hill budget bill for 1999...This budget is up 3.5 percent over 1998...

Example No. 2: Recently, the House voted to cut \$10 million...from the "Wildlife Services" program...that kills 100,000 coyotes every year for the benefit of ranchers... However, due to Joe Skeen forcing a re-vote the next day...the amendment was killed...

These are just two examples of Rep. Skeen's self-serving actions...

Sue Rossmann
Alamogordo

SOZ: Save Our Zia

This is a call to arms, to preserve New Mexico's much-admired state symbol from attacks from near and far.

The latest attack, believe it or not, is internal—in the middle of state government, and it's all because the New Mexico State Penitentiary's car tag making capability was rained out.

MOUNTAIN ASIDES



BY KEITH GREEN
Ruidoso News

An official news release from the state Department of Taxation and Revenue said as much, even as it noted that Arizona will be producing our passenger plates—upwards of 10,000 of them to be delivered this week.

That's a right neighborly thing to do. But plates produced in Arizona won't have our fine red Zia symbol; it'll be plain old red on yellow, with a conspicuous blank spot where the Zia belongs. They can't make Zias.

Yet New Mexico without its Zia is like... Heck, what if Texas' truck plates didn't have the little map of Texas in the middle?

If you didn't know, the Zia symbol is fraught with meaning; it's the circle of life, the four points of the compass, the four seasons, the four cycles of the day from sunrise to darkness, the ages of humanity from childhood to old age.

To the people of Zia Pueblo, where it originated some 400 years ago, the Zia also represents four obligations—a strong body, a clear mind, a pure spirit and devotion to the welfare of the people.

(Wouldn't it be nice if our legislators accepted such an obligation when they are sworn into office? But we digress.)

We do recollect hearing that Zia Pueblo would like compensation from the state for using its sacred symbol, and maybe they have a point...even if it's been official on the state flag since 1925.

Maybe the state could contract with Zia Pueblo to manufacture the license plates. But...Arizona?

The decline and fall of a way of life

In 1940, a young sociologist who was born and raised in rural Texas

FOOLS AND NEWCOMERS



BY MORROW HALL
COLUMNIST

Bado Grant, which originally included over 300,000 acres. In 1940, there were ten villages on the grant, each similar to the others.

The first petition to the United States government to confirm the grant was submitted in 1857, but it apparently languished in a file drawer until 1904, when the Court of Private Land Claims accepted only 5,024 acres of it. The people of the grant protested the action, but in vain.

El Cerrito and the other villages began to die that year, but it wasn't immediately apparent.

Under Spanish law, the king owned most of the land, but his representatives could allocate it for the use of specific groups. This land surrounded the villages of San Miguel del Bado and provided a place to hunt game, graze livestock and gather firewood.

The Court of Private Land Claims decided that it could not recognize the San Miguel common lands because they weren't in private ownership. It decided they would become public domain, and thus available for homesteading.

For years after 1904 the villagers continued to use these lands, but gradually they were homesteaded. Fences were built and "No Trespassing" signs were installed.

In 1940, Leonard found that the local livestock industry, which had provided the economic backbone of the El Cerrito economy, had evaporated. The villagers still had their little farms along the river, but they weren't adequate to support them.

The men began to take jobs elsewhere. They helped build railroads, cut timber or worked on farms, often in other states. But every year they returned to their homes, if only for a few weeks, and tried to keep the culture they loved alive.

"Times were good then and

everyone had some money," one resident told Leonard about the days before the fences went up. "No one lacked food and there was always work. There was a system here then that has died out."

There were 20 families, comprising 136 people, living in El Cerrito in 1940. Thirty years later, Calvin Horn of Albuquerque, who published Leonard's study, visited the village. There were only two families—six people—still living there.

A few decades ago some bright lawyer invented a new system of land ownership called a condominium. Those who buy a residence in one get total ownership of their inside walls and joint ownership of common walls, parking lots, lawns, sidewalks, and perhaps a swimming pool.

The old Spanish system of land ownership was similar in concept, but when the United States took over New Mexico, government representatives failed to comprehend it.

In some cases, like El Cerrito and the other villages of San Miguel del Bado, the government refused to recognize the "common lands" of the grants. In others, the grant communities weren't prepared for the new concept of property taxes, and they lost much of

their common land in delinquent tax sales.

And in other cases, shrewd land owners and their lawyers asserted claims of ownership that were accepted by the government. The stories of New Mexico's "robber barons" are replete with instances of blatant fraud and bribery.

It could be argued that the way of life in the land grants was doomed anyhow, that the exodus from the tight little agricultural villages was inevitable in the face of new technology and improved civilization. But that assertion had little effect on the resentment and frustration that continued to grow among the native people for over a century after the Mexican War.

It was that resentment and frustration that finally exploded in Tierra Amarilla in 1967.

Next weeks Reies Tjjerina and his crusade.

Elsewhere: In 1904, when the San Miguel del Bado Grant was so drastically reduced in size, Theodore Roosevelt was elected President and Helen Keller graduated from Radcliffe.

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GUEST COMMENTARY

THE SILVER LINING

After-hospital care shouldn't be a no-no

The Kid's buddies start rehearsals

BY SHILDON L. GOLDBERG
AAHSA President

Recently a Florida woman in her 80s (we can call her Rachel) had to go to the hospital for treatment. Like many of us, her first concern was when she would be able to return home and resume her life. She and her husband, George, live in a continuing care retirement community (CCRC) because it offers independent living, assisted living and, if needed, skilled nursing care all in one place.

Many older Americans seek out this type of community because it enables them to move from one level of care to another if needed, maintain their relationships with family and friends, and allows them to remain as independent as possible for as long as possible.

A few years ago, Rachel and her husband joined a Medicare managed care plan, mainly because it offered additional coverage for prescription drugs and eyeglasses.

The managed care plan seemed fine until Rachel needed sudden hospitalization and rehabilitation in a nursing home following the hospital stay. The managed care plan

would not allow Rachel to use the nursing home at the CCRC since the plan did not have a contract with that facility. In spite of her husband's and the retirement community's objections, Rachel was forced to use an unfamiliar nursing home 20 miles from her home. George, who had difficulty driving, was unable to visit her as often as he liked. As a result, Rachel felt guilty for George's extra burden and feared loneliness. At the same time, George felt guilty for not being able to spend as much time with his wife as he would have liked.

The hypothetical case of Rachel and George is reality for a number of seniors who have chosen managed care plans; I have heard their stories first hand. This is why we worked with Sen. Barbara Mikulski of Maryland and Sen. Lauti Faircloth of North Carolina to introduce bipartisan legislation to give individuals a right to return home after a hospital stay, if their place of residence can provide the care and services necessary to their recuperation.

Married couples who have promised to be together for better or worse, in sickness and in health, should not be separated

because they choose a managed care health insurance plan. The "Seniors Access to Continuing Care" legislation will help to ensure that managed care plans have choices that are in the best interests of their patients, not choices which are most convenient for the HMO.

Experts in aging say that going home to familiar surroundings should dramatically decrease recovery time and, most likely, reduce the cost of care. Everybody wins, but especially couples like George and Rachel.

Since 1994, the number of older Americans with Medicare-managed care increased by nearly 32 percent and growth is expected to accelerate as new Medicare Choice plans become available. We must fix this problem, before it hurts too many more of our country's seniors.

The author is president of the American Association of Homes and Services for the Aging, an association of not-for-profit long-term care and senior housing providers.

Practices have begun for the historical Lincoln pageant, "The Last Escape of Billy the Kid," to be held Aug. 7, 8 and 9.



BY DAN STORM
Columbus

John Shreengost again will play Billy the Kid; and his mother, Diane Shreengost, the director of the past several years, again will direct the show.

The pageant goes back to the year 1940. In that year, towns and villages throughout New Mexico put on celebrations honoring the state's the birthday, or cuatro-centennial—going back to the days of Coronado's arrival in 1540.

How it began

In 1940 Wilbur Coe, son of Frank Coe, was president of the Lincoln County Historical Society. Wilbur and his wife, Louise, put together "A Day in Old Lincoln."

This was a day set aside to

honor pioneers of New Mexico and all the Southwest. At that time there were many old-timers left who remembered the early days, and they gathered from all over the West to share memories and renew old acquaintances.

As part of the day in old Lincoln, Wilbur and Louise established the historical pageant, "The Last Escape of Billy the Kid."

As script writer, Wilbur Coe got hold of veteran Hollywood script writer Blanding Sloan and his young assistant, Mark Hamilton.

They took almost all their material from "The Saga of Billy the Kid" by Walter Noble Burns, who in turn had taken much of his material from interviews with Frank Coe, Wilbur's father.

In the first pageant, in 1940, the streets of Lincoln served as the stage, and the first "Kid" was played by Peter Hurd.

The Lincoln pageant is in a

class by itself, being the only western show that takes place on the spot where the real action took place over a hundred years ago. Also, many of the actors are descendants of the historical figures of those days.

During World War II the pageant was discontinued, and revived in 1949.

My lucky day

Yesterday I was reminded of the old song "The End of a Perfect Day."

Just after noon came a down-pour of nearly two inches of rain. Then, near sundown, here came two young ranchers, Clete Powell and Hunter Smith, true westerners cut out of the same cloth as the old-timers.

They drove through the mud holes and over the rough road, bringing me two cows I had not seen for half a year, and a fine calf.

So, many thanks to Clete Powell and Hunter Smith for making July 20 a perfect day, a lucky day sure enough.

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Sport shorts

Men's league postponed

First round action of the Ruidoso men's league softball tournament was rained out Thursday. Parks and recreation Director Rafael Sales said Thursday's scheduled games will be played Tuesday, July 28.

All-stars to take the field

The Ruidoso adult softball all-star games will be played Wednesday, July 29, at Eagle Creek Sports Complex. The all-star women will play at 7 p.m. followed by the all-star men's game. The games were rained out earlier this month.

Three local teams to state

A trio of area women's softball teams will compete in the USSSA Women's State Softball Tournament Saturday and Sunday in Hobbs. Vying for trophies in the Women's Class C division will be Thunder n' Lightning and the Flamigos. The Blue Angels will represent the area when they compete in the Class D bracket of the tourney.

Scoreboard

TUESDAY, JULY 21
Adult Softball - Men's league
Nads 15, Casino Apache 0
Madness def. Diamondback (forfeit)
Bombers 25, Mesc. Madness 24

Pecking order

Parks and Recreation Adult Softball
1998 Men's Final League Standings

Team	W	L	PCT
Nads	22	5	.815
Merchants	21	6	.778
Bombers	19	8	.703
Grizzlies	17	10	.629
Extreme	17	10	.629
Los Amigos	15	12	.555
Black Flyz	15	12	.555
Mesc. Madness	5	22	.185
Diamondbacks	4	23	.148
Casino Apache	0	27	.000

1998 Women's Final League Standings

Team	W	L	PCT
Diamond Sals*	18	2	.900
Flamigos	17	3	.850
No Excuses*	14	6	.700
Backdraft	9	12	.429
Blue Angels*	8	11	.421
Wild Things	6	13	.316
Gray Hawk II	5	14	.263
Leftovers*	2	18	.111

* Indicates final make-up games to be played Monday

This week

TODAY
Horse racing - Ruidoso Downs Race Track, post time 1 p.m., American Airlines Juvenile Trials.
Saturday
Bull-riding - Bobby Lane Memorial Bull Riding contest begins at 2 p.m. Arena provided by Robert Beaver. Proceeds to benefit scholarship fund for Lincoln County students.
Horse racing - Ruidoso Downs Race Track, post time 1 p.m., Rainbow Derby, Rio Grande Futurity.
Sunday
Horse racing - Ruidoso Downs Race Track, post time 1 p.m., Rainbow Futurity, Rainbow Futurity Consolation.

Ongoing

Sign-up for adult coed softball
Deadline to register for the adult coed softball league is Aug. 12. Cost to enter is \$150 per team. Games will be played on Wednesday nights beginning Aug. 19. Call Ruidoso parks and recreation for more information, 257-5030.

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.

On deck

Ruidoso High School Football Camp
Football players ages 10 and up can still sign up for the Ruidoso High School Football Camp, July 27-30. Head coach Les Carter said he will accept registration up until the first day of camp. Cost to register is \$20 and includes instruction and a camp T-shirt. The camp runs from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

Runner's Classic
The 15th Annual Runner's Classic will offer 10K and 5K runs and a 5K walk and 1-mile kids fun run. The races start 8 a.m., Saturday, Aug. 8, from Village Hall. Cost to enter \$10 in advance and \$12 the day of the event. T-shirts to the first 75 entrants. Awards to the top two finishers in all age divisions. Prizes for overall winners as well. Registration forms available at the Ruidoso Parks and Recreation office or the municipal pool. Call 257-5030 or 257-2795 for more information.

Athletic budget reflects conservative projections

BY LAURA CLYMER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

The belts will fit a hair tighter this upcoming season of the Warrior athletes.
The 1998-99 budget for Ruidoso athletics is a modest 7 percent more than last year's. The Ruidoso School Board has earmarked \$269,428 of the general fund for athletics at the high school and middle school. Last year, \$245,296 was allotted to athletic related activities.
Still, Ruidoso athletic director Les Carter said he made some cuts.
"What we did, probably more than anything else, is cut the incidentals. We cut that down more than anything else,"

Carter said.
The incidentals account, also known as the R Club, was used in emergencies or if a team had some unforeseen expenses such as spending an extra night in a motel because of the weather, Carter explained.
"It was always kind of nice to have. You had some extra," Carter said of the incidentals account. "We're going to have tighten the old belts a little bit."
Carter built his athletic budget request based on last year's expenditures.
"The bottom line is, before, we had taken what the teams had spent and tried to add the 10 percent or whatever we were given," Carter added.
This coming year's increase

of 7 percent was based on a conservative estimate of enrollment growth, said Ruidoso School Superintendent Mike Gladden.
"We were very conservative," Gladden said. "We just projected a 1 percent increase in students, but we've been averaging 3 percent for the last five years."
Last year's school enrollment was an anomaly to that trend with an increase of 1.34 percent.
"We try to be conservative going in," said Gladden, noting that the district could a little bit more to it if enrollment increases.
Filling out the bottom line of the athletics budget is the athletic activity fund which annual-

ly contributes about \$30,000 from gate receipts and concession sales.
School officials were again moderate in their projections of ticket sales revenue, counting on only \$21,500 to be generated. According to Gladden, however, gate receipts have averaged more than \$30,000 for the last five years.
Of the total athletic budget, nearly 60 percent of it, or \$157,025, pays for coaching staff salaries. The remainder pays for contract services, fees, travel, scouting, equipment, clinics, meals and rooms. Each activity was designated an amount of money, and the coaches know how much they have, Carter said.

PIECES OF THE PIE

1998-99
Ruidoso School Athletic Budget
Breakdown by activity

Cheerleading	\$1,500
Drill team	\$1,500
Cross Country	\$6,600
Football	\$12,000
Soccer	\$4,250
Volleyball	\$6,850
Boys basketball	\$7,000
Girls basketball	\$7,000
Wrestling	\$4,700
Golf	\$3,550
Tennis	\$2,350
Baseball	\$5,850
Softball	\$5,850
Track	\$9,800
Incidentals	\$4,200
Middle School Sports	\$5,000
Officials	\$15,000
Bus/Driver expenses	\$12,000

Southern star



1998 Ruidoso graduate Adam Windham (No. 32) was selected to participate in North/South AAA/AAAA All-Star Boys Basketball Game to be played Thursday, July 30, at the UNM Arena. Windham leaves Saturday for five days of practice under South All-Star coach Bubba Jennings of Artesia. "They are the best players in the state," Windham said of his South teammates and his northern opponents. "It's just kind of intimidating, but it's also going to be fun."

Talented Rainbow Derby field leads off the racing weekend

• This Snow Is Royal seeks the Rainbow Derby's pot of gold.

TANYA LAIB-SHIPLEY
RUIDOSO DOWNS PUBLICITY

Ten of the most talented 3 year-olds in the nation are set to compete for the \$153,523 Grade 1-Rainbow Derby Saturday at Ruidoso Downs.
This year's trials drew multiple stakes winners and finalists from the 1997 Rainbow and All American futurities. At the end of five trials, last year's fastest qualifier to the Rainbow Futurity, This Snow Is Royal, set the fastest time for the Rainbow Derby.
The James McArthur trainee boasts a lifetime record of seven wins in 10 starts and has \$548,539 to his earnings.
In the final trial heat for the Rainbow Derby July 11, Wicked Winner, the winner of the Ruidoso Quarter Horse Sales Futurity, broke on top but mid-stretch This Snow Is Royal caught her and went on to win.
His regular rider Sam Thompson was confident about the finals.
"She (Wicked Winner) had me beat a length midway through the race, then I got heads up with her. Once I passed I took a hold of This

Snow Is Royal and he drug me. I think he can win the final if he does everything right like he did in the trials. He has a really good chance. He's that kind of horse," said Thompson.
Honor Ease won her trial heat to the Rainbow Derby by a half-length for the second fastest time of 21.465. She is trained and ridden by the successful duo of Sam Sandoval and Nancy Summers.
The chase for the Rainbow
Sunday's Rainbow Futurity is the third richest in its history at \$609,727. Only 10 2-year-olds advanced from 17 trials to the Grade-I event.
Co-fastest qualifiers, Hes My Dasher and Sunset Dash also hope to make Rainbow history. Both colts won their trial heats and share the fastest time of 19.625 seconds for 400 yards.
Hes My Dasher is trained by John Bassett. Bassett, seeking his first Rainbow Futurity win, says his colt is doing well after the trials.
"He came back bucking and playing. After the consolation I thought that he would be the one to beat. You have to stack a lot of luck on top of it though," Bassett said.

Skeletal remains of old mining district highlight Skull Canyon hike

Skull Canyon Trail

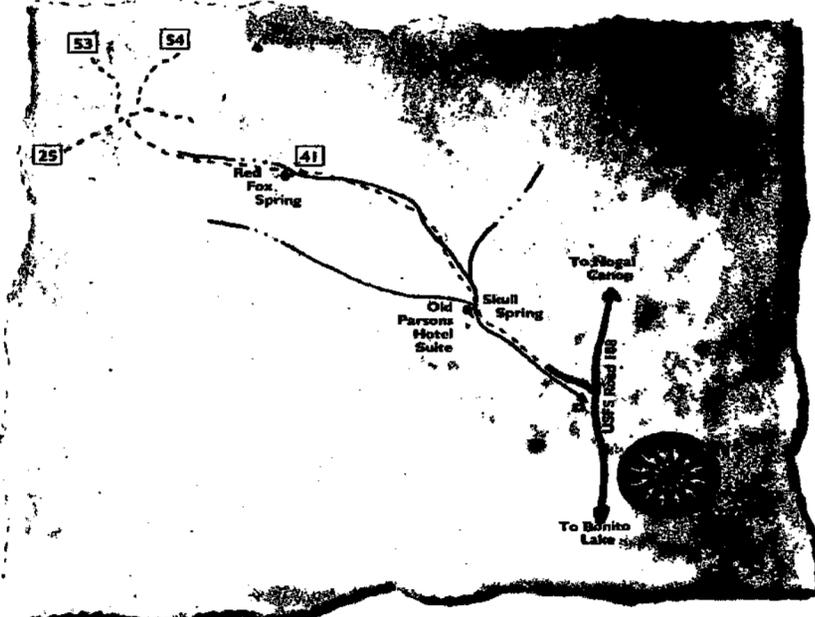
Begin this hike by proceeding northwest on the remnants of a road that extends a little more than 1/4 mile up Skull Canyon to the wilderness boundary. This road is passable by 4-wheel drive only and is much easier to traverse on foot. The remains of a small dam which used to hold a small pond behind it are still visible.



TRAIL TALK
BY JOHNNY HUGHES

During the early 1970s, my dad took me fishing at this pond and we enjoyed one of the finest days of fishing I have ever experienced. This pond held Rainbows in the 16-to-20-inch class, which almost is unheard of in the headwater streams in this region.
Skull Canyon Trail #41 begins at the wilderness boundary a few hundred yards below Skull Spring. The trail passes through a wire gap in a fence at the spring and appears to split. Follow the left fork of the trail which is identified with a sign.
The USFS topo map erroneously shows Trail #41 going up the wrong canyon. The trail follows along the bottom of Skull Canyon and not the unnamed canyon to the south as depicted on the map.
Skull Canyon Trail passes through ponderosa pine and large Gambel Oak trees in the lower portions of the canyon and gradually winds its way into oak brush and meadows in the upper reaches of the canyon.
Although the trail is only two miles in length, it does gain approximately 1,200 feet in elevation, so pace yourself

on the ascent.
The trail ultimately intersects with Crest Trail #25 on the divide at the foot of Nogal Peak. The Crest Trail provides the more adventurous hiker additional hiking opportunities if so inclined.
Fantastic views can be enjoyed along the divide. Tortolita Canyon Trail #54 winds behind Nogal Peak and has great views of Water Canyon and the Tularosa Basin but the trail is very overgrown with vegetation because of lack of use.
The return hike involves retracing the Skull Canyon Trail back to the parking spot. A loop hike would require significant hiking along one of the roads.
Water is present in lower Skull Canyon during most seasons and Red Fox Spring flows intermittently. Otherwise, no water is present along the upper half of the hike.
Do not wear shorts on this hike or the stinging nettle along the trail will eat you alive. In places, this voracious plant grows above your head and almost completely engulfs the trail during the monsoon season.
The area around the buildings where the hike starts is the site of the old Parsons Hotel and Mine. This area had the greatest concentration of mining activity in the Bonito Mining District. Mining in this area was initiated in the early 1880s and proceeded well into the 1960s. Just above the Parsons Hotel site along the Tanbark Canyon road are the remains of an old mill used to process the ore from the mines in the area which is definitely worth visiting.



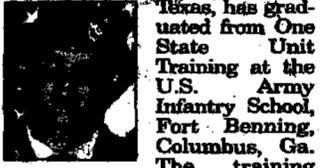
Skull Canyon Trail

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: A 4-mile round-trip hike into the upper Bonito drainage of the White Mountain Wilderness.
SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS: Views of Nogal Peak. Opportunities to visit an old mining district.
AMOUNT OF USE: Light. **NET ELEVATION GAIN:** 1,200 feet.
ESTIMATED HIKING TIME: 3.5 hours. **DIFFICULTY:** Easy to moderate.
DIRECTIONS: Take USFS Road 107 off of Hwy 37 toward Bonito Lake approximately 7 miles to the intersection of USFS Road 108. Turn north onto Road 108 for 1 mile until some abandoned buildings on the left are reached. Park next to the buildings.

MILITARY NEWS

Riggin completes basic training

Army Pvt. Jeffrey D. Riggin, son of Cindy Lemons of Ruidoso and Rayte Riggin of Hereford, Texas, has graduated from One State Unit Training at the U.S. Army Infantry School, Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga. The training combines military training and advanced individual training.



Pvt. Jeffrey D. Riggin

During basic training, the trainee received instruction in drill and ceremonies, map reading, tactics, military customs and courtesies and first aid. The recruit developed combat skills and handled various weapons available to the infantry soldier.

During the advanced individual training, the soldier received instruction to become qualified as a light-weapon infantryman and an indirect-fire crewman assigned to a rifle or mortar squad. Instruction included weapons qualifications, tactics, patrolling, field communications, combat operations,

and survival during a nuclear, chemical or biological attack.

Riggin then completed Airborne School and received his Silver Wings upon graduation with the 507th Charlie Company.

He will be stationed at the 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, N.C., where he will receive ranger training.

Davis switches duty stations

Marine Cpl. Natalie S. Davis, daughter of Wilson E. and Juanell Davis of Capitan, recently reported for duty with the 8th Motor Transport Battalion, 4th Force Service Support Group, Lubbock, Texas.

Davis' rotation to a new duty station exemplifies the worldwide assignability of marines and sailors.

This flexibility allows U.S. naval forces to protect the country's national interests by serving as the principal enforcers of peacetime engagement, deterrence and crisis response around the world.

The 1986 graduate of Eunice High School of Eunice, N.M., joined the Marine Corps in March 1998.

Medical conference examines 'futile care' issue

A conference next month titled "Futile Care: Issues in a Medical Community" in Albuquerque will address the care and comfort for a patient in situations where a treatment toward a cure is no longer viable.

The conference for healthcare professionals, clergy and other caregivers will be from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Aug. 8 at the Nursing and Pharmacy Building at the University of New Mexico.

According to Presbyterian Healthcare Services, the purpose of the conference is for physicians, nurses and other healthcare providers to gain a better understanding of the clinical, legal, ethical and historical dimensions of medical futility; how to assist patients,

families and other members of the healthcare team in reaching satisfactory patient care and treatment decisions in light of a potentially futile situation; and how communities and healthcare institutions can craft policies regarding medical futility.

The conference will feature nationally-recognized speakers Dr. Lawrence J. Schneiderman, of the San Diego School of Medicine, University of California, and Dr. Arthur U. Rivin, of UCLA Medical School and Center.

A panel discussion also will be featured representing various perspectives.

Panelists will include clergyman, an intensive care unit nurse, a legislator, a family member, a legal ethicist, a physician and a patient.

The conference is presented by the Hospital Ethics Committee and Presbyterian Healthcare Services in cooperation with Lovelace Medical Center, St. Joseph Healthcare System, UNM Health Sciences Center and the VA Medical Center.

EDUCATION BRIEFS

Teaching workshop offered at ENMU

A two credit hour workshop, "Students as Teachers, ELED, SED, SPED 493/593," will be offered at ENMU's College of Business and broadcast over TV at the Ruidoso site. The class covers strategies

for structuring cooperative learning groups. The workshop will be on Tuesday and Thursday, Aug. 4 and Aug. 6, from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

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LINCOLN COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER has an opening for a full-time physician office RN with at least 2 years hospital experience required and 1-2 years physician office experience preferred. Prior management experience also preferred. LCMC offers a competitive salary and comprehensive/flexible benefits program. If interested contact Rebecca, Human Resources, Box 8000, Ruidoso, NM 88355, (505) 257-8256. EOE

EMPLOYMENT NOTICE: The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners invites applications for the position of LINCOLN COUNTY MANAGER. The Manager is Chief Executive Officer and reports directly to the Board of Commissioners. Candidates for the position of County Manager must have an outstanding record of leadership and achievement, and a government background is preferred. The successful candidate must be proactive in implementing the policies and directions of the Lincoln County Commission and should possess integrity, dedication and creativity.

Compensation is competitive. Letter of interest with application and resume describing the applicant's qualifications and salary requirements should be submitted to the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners, P.O. Box 11, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301, no later than 5:00 p.m. Monday, August 24, 1998. Also, please include the names and telephone numbers of 3-5 references. Obtain application at the Lincoln County Manager's Office in Carrizozo or by calling 505/648-2385.

Lincoln County is a B+ over county, continues to be fiscally sound and provides law enforcement, road maintenance and various services that espouse the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the County. Lincoln County, Equal Opportunity Employer and in Compliance with ADA Requirements, Title II-A.

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EXPERIENCED SALES PERSON needed Thursday thru Sunday. Apply in person at Stampede Leather, 2311 Sudderth.

ADULT BASIC EDUCATOR The New Mexico Corrections Department, Education Bureau is hiring an Adult Basic Education Instructor at the Fort Stanton Correctional Center...

RUIDOSO OPTICAL 700 Mechem Dr. 257-9300

HELP WANTED: Prep cook. Experience necessary, full-time. Apply in person, no phone calls please.

HOUSEKEEPERS: Working environment indoors. Must have some experience. Pay above minimum wage.

LADY WANTED AS ELDERLY woman's helper. Call 378-5349

SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS POSITIONS available starting 8-17, accepting applications. For information call 378-5410 or 658-4919.

FULLTIME HOUSEKEEPER WANTED - Apply at West Winds Lodge, 208 Eagle Drive. Apply in person ONLY. NO PHONE CALLS.

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PART-TIME HELP NEEDED through September. Retail sales experience helpful, but not necessary. Call 257-4864

HOUSEKEEPER APPLICATIONS are being accepted at the Super 8 Motel. Pay scale depends on performance.

NOW HIRING CHECKERS Apply in person at Thriftway 304 Mechem

MR BURGER NEEDS EXPERIENCED PART-TIME COOK and experienced Front Counter person. Apply in person, 1203 Mechem.

HOUSEKEEPERS NEEDED at Cree Manor Suites: full-time or part-time. Fully furnished apartment included.

HELP WANTED: Zia Senior Citizen Center an opening at the Ruidoso Downs Center for a full-time Site Coordinator/District Driver.

39 Work Wanted

GRAVEL DRIVEWAYS, Landscaping, Lot Clearing, Graveling, Excavating, Concrete, Block, Insured, Gravel Trucking and Landscaping 378-4152

MICHELINA'S NOW HIRING all positions. Top dollar benefits available. Apply in person, no phone calls please. 2703 Sudderth

TACO BELL IS NOW HIRING full or part-time positions. We offer flexible schedule, competitive wages, paid vacation, health insurance.

THE GREAT WALL OF CHINA Has openings for all positions. Full and Part-time. Apply in person. 2913 Sudderth

CASA BLANCA is accepting applications for all positions. Looking for people willing to work hard and get paid well.

IMMEDIATELY HIRING SERVERS and phone operators at Pizza Hut on Sudderth. Apply in person.

SAFE DRIVERS NEEDED. Apply anytime. Pizza Hut, 1201 Mechem.

GARDEN GREEN & SUPER CLEAN. Powerwashing, deck refinishing, yardwork, mowing, pin-striping, fire-break brush clearing, roofs, gutters, hauling, odd jobs.

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POSTAL JOBS to \$18.35/HR inc. benefits, no experience. For app. and exam info, call 1-800-813-3585, ext 5019, 8AM-7PM, 7 days a week, inc.

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MAINTENANCE & LAWN Professionals wanted. Fun work environment, will train. General Services 257-0112

BUSY PAINT CONTRACTOR needs experienced & dependable help. Call 354-2471. Leave message & number for interview.

DATA CHEK LLC, the region's fastest growing company is hiring telephone collection agents. Full-time positions \$6.00-\$8.50 per hour.

CHURCH MUSICIAN NEEDED to lead a healthy and joyful United Methodist congregation in music and worship.

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YARD MAINTENANCE Mowing, weed eating, hauling. Reasonable rates. Free estimates. 257-3007

ASSISTANT MANAGERS (COUPLE) Large Condominium Community seeking couple to live on property. One individual to have strong office skills including light bookkeeping and payroll.

GOVERNMENT JOBS. Now hiring. \$18,000-\$68,000. Call 1-800-983-0819 ext. J-400 for current Federal, State, County lists.

OFFICE ASSISTANT Part-time help needed. Maximum of 32 hours per week. Please call Zoe Ann at The Ranches of Sonterra, 338-4547.

CARRIER PAID TRAINING, Counsel Corp. is providing Free - CDL Training. Must have High School diploma or equivalent.

TWO POSITIONS AVAILABLE: Insurance office. Excellent typing skills and telephone voice a must.

GUEST SERVICES & VALET PARKING ATTENDANTS Friendly with good work record. Must be able to list 20+ stand for long periods and work a.m. or p.m. shift.

HONEST, DEPENDABLE. No job to small. Trash hauling, pine needle raking/removal, mowing, landscaping, window washing, house cleaning, weeding. Call 430-6846, 354-2603.

A-PLUS LAWN CARE Mowing, weed-eating, pine needle clean-up, gutters, trash hauling and odd jobs. Free Estimates. Dependable. 336-4819, 420-5724, 257-3778

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EMPLOYMENT NOTICE: Lincoln County is now accepting applications for a full-time PURCHASING AGENT in the Lincoln County Manager's Office, Carrizozo, New Mexico.

LINCOLN COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER has an opening for a full-time position in one of our physicians offices for a Receptionist. Previous experience preferred.

FRONT DESK CLERK needed, F/T position. Swiss Chalet Inn, apply in person.

DRIVER...SWIFT TRANSPORTATION. Now hiring experienced & inexperienced Driver/Contractor CDL training available. Excellent pay & benefits.

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WHISPERING PINES CABINS needs part-time housekeeper. Call 257-4311 for interview.

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IN NEED OF PART-TIME RESPONSIBLE sales person for midtown gift shop. Call 257-9842

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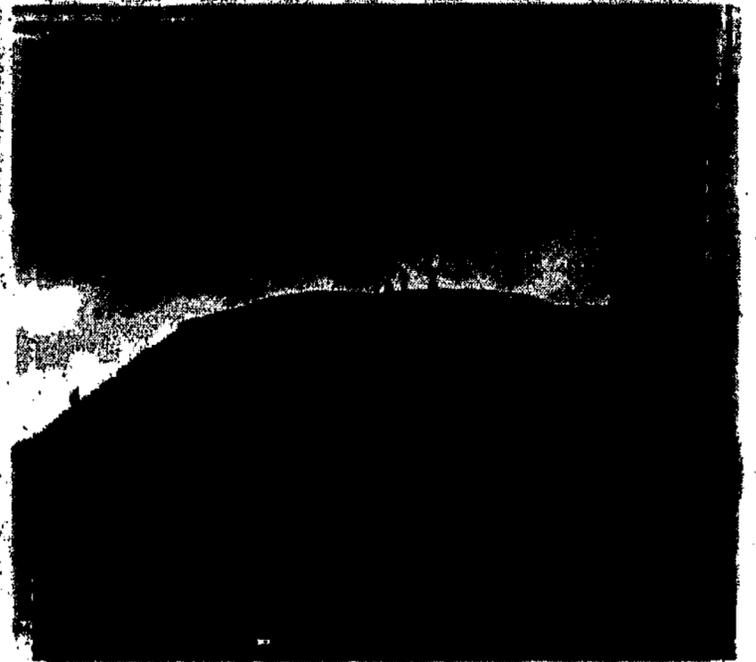
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CAMBODIAN POET U Sam Oeur visits Capitan for a special poetry reading Monday. His book of poems, "Sacred Vows," retells the horrors of his homeland as well as relates the beauty of his culture. For more about this unique event see Page 4C.

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Art and Artifact

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

A contemporary gallery featuring fine art and rare, unusual objects for collectors, housed in a 1896 bordello. 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, 653-4081, or 653-4065.

The gallery is moving from Jira 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 653-4081.

Capitan Gallery of Cowboy Furnishings

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Chamber of Commerce Gallery

720 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso, 257-7395

July's featured artists are Elaine Armstrong and Patsy Blasdel. Hours are: Monday, 9-5; Tuesday through Thursday, 8:30-5; and Friday, 8:30-4:30.

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 Palla) is the historic Taylor Home (1887) in this living ghost town and budding artist colony. Open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, as well as most week days. Call ahead to be sure.

Eagle Ranch Art Gallery

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

Featured in July: Elaine Armstrong's sculptural raku vessels and Patsy Blasdel's watercolor and pastel paintings. Gallery hours: 9 a.m.-6 p.m. daily.

Gail's Frame of Mind

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

The gallery features original art by Denise Dorn, 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.

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102 Lincoln Ave., Capitan, 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 hand-spun yarns, the garments are finished with

knitted trim and eclectic buttons. Call first.

Hurd-La Rinconada Gallery

Off Hwy. 70 in San Patricio, 653-4331.

The gallery exhibit includes works by Peter Hurd, Henriette Wyeth Hurd, Andrew Wyeth, Michael Hurd, Jamie Wyeth, Carol Hurd Rogers and Peter de la Fuente. Works can be viewed Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and by appointment on Sunday.

The Kenyon Thomas Gallery

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

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

Lincoln County Art Co-op

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

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

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.-5 p.m. every day.

Lorene & Larry's

268 Main Rd. Capitan, 354-2605

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McGary Studios & Expressions in Bronze Gallery

2002 Sudderth, Ruidoso, 257-3790

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

The Montano Store

Hwy. 380, Lincoln, 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.-5 p.m. Friday to Sunday. Admission fee included in the \$5 daily pass which can be purchased at the Court House or the Lincoln County Heritage Trust at either end of town.

Mtn. Arts Gallery & Framing

2530 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso, 257-9748

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

Museum of the Horse

Hwy. 70, Ruidoso Downs, 378-4142.

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

Red Rose Art Studio

County Rd. E016, Hondo, 653-4203.

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

Sacred Images, Angels & Icons

416 First St., Ruidoso, 257-6677

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, 217 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso, 257-1561.

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

The Tree's House

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

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

Western Trails Gallery

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

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

White Mtn. Pottery Gallery

2328 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso, 257-3644.

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

White Oaks Pottery Studio

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

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

EYE ON THE ARTS

An exhibition of work by Dale Chihuly opened at The Albuquerque Museum June 14 and will run through Aug. 28. Chihuly is contemporary glassblowing's most well-known artist, a creator of wildly colorful glass forms reminiscent of flowers, sea anemones and chandeliers. He has three installations of glass works at the Spencer Theater in Ruidoso.

Chihuly was the co-founder of the Pilchuck Glass School in Seattle, Wash., and has been credited with revitalizing glassblowing as an art form. He entered the glassblowing scene in the 1960s, studying in the United States and at

the Venini glass factory in Venice, Italy - an influence that shows in much of his work. Chihuly has not blown glass himself since 1976, when his left eye was injured in an accident. He now works with a teams of assistants, supervising and composing the massive glass pieces which can weigh more than one ton.

Both drawings and sculptures will be on display in the museum. The Albuquerque Museum is located at 2000 Mountain Road, NW, near Old Town. Museum admission is free. Museum hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday.

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The Arts



THE POLITICS OF POETRY

by Dianne Stallings
YAMONOS STAFF WRITER



Cambodian poet U Sam Oeur endured the horrors of a regime with the brutality of a hammer.

His work was often driven and shaped by the political climate of his time. He graduated from California State University in 1965 and worked as a translator and poet.

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U Sam Oeur and poet/translator Ken McCullough will present a bilingual reading in Khmer and English at 8 p.m., Monday, July 27 at the Territorial Theater in Capitan.

The two are on a book tour with stops among other places in Washington D.C., New York and Taos. Ruidoso resident Rick Rotert is an acquaintance of McCullough and persuaded them to appear in Capitan.

As explained in an article on U Sam Oeur by Dinitia Smith in The New York Times, Cambodian poetry traditionally relies on several of 46 rhymes and metric schemes, and is chanted.

"U Sam Oeur uses some of those forms and incorporates in them myths and prophecies of the Angkor era of the 10th to 14th century, common to classical works," she wrote. "But he also employs narrative passages and sections of free verse."

Some of the poems will be selected from a collection of his early work called "Sacred Vows," which was being translated in 1968, the same year U Sam Oeur received his masters of fine arts in poetry from the Iowa Writers Workshop. It was during this period that he became friends with McCullough, a former minor league pitcher in the Pittsburgh Pirates organization, who lived next door while pursuing a master's in poetry.

U Sam Oeur had come to the United States in the mid-1960s to earn an industrial arts degree from California State University. But his talent was discovered by Mary Gray, director of the Asia Foundation, an organization that was successful in arranging an invitation for him to attend the workshop in 1966.

When U Sam Oeur decided to return to Cambodia, McCullough was going to help him translate traditional Cambodian folklore into English, but the political climate was too unstable.

U Sam Oeur worked in Cambodian industry, served in the army for two years and was elected to the National Assembly in 1972. A year later, he was appointed Secretary General of the Khmer League for Freedom.

Although he knew of the impending takeover by the Khmer Rouge in 1975, he stayed in Cambodia and was captured with his wife, mother-in-law and 4-year-old son while fleeing in a stream of people from the capital of Phnom Penh. He survived four years in Pol Pot labor camps, according to a biographical sketch of the poet. Growing up on a farm gave him valuable survival skills and a convincing "cover story."

Between 1975 and 1979, an estimated one to three million of Cambodia's seven million people died from starvation, execution, torture or disease.

After the country was "liberated" by the Vietnamese in 1979, U Sam Oeur remained in part, because of a vow he made at the age of 16 to stay in Cambodia until democracy was established.

However, in the 1980s, the government launched a campaign of harassment against U Sam Oeur, because of his outspoken support of democracy. His property was confiscated, he was threatened and forced to resign his job.

The threats have followed him to the United States, according to the biography furnished by Rotert.

McCullough assumed the poet didn't survive the Khmer Rouge. But in 1985, he

learned that U Sam Oeur had written the English Department at the University of Iowa asking for a copy of his thesis. His destroyed his own copy in 1975, when he was forced to leave his home. The documents, as well as an 80-poem manuscript he was compiling, would have been possibly lethal evidence of his literacy.

Through the efforts of McCullough and Clark Blaise, director of the International Writing Program, U Sam Oeur returned to Iowa City in 1992 to participate in the program. He and McCullough went back to work on "Sacred Vows," published by Coffee House Press, and on an autobiography to be published next year.

In an article about U Sam Oeur, Erin Hemme Frostie wrote, "In Cambodia, there is a saying that words are heavier than the blow of a hammer. For the last five years, Sam has written to break down the walls of oppression in his homeland. Through his poetry, which chronicles his experiences in Cambodia, he expressed his dream for Cambodia's future - peace and freedom."

His wife, Sim Syma, remains in Phnom Penh caring for her mother, but his son, Bonya Roeuddhi, 28, moved to the States in 1994 and lives in Texas.

U Sam Oeur's poetry has appeared in more than a dozen publications and in the anthology, "Voices of Conscience: Poetry from Oppression."

A chamber opera, "Krasang Tree," based on the poetry and experience of U Sam Oeur, was performed in May 1996 and is scheduled for a performance by Cambodian actors and musicians at the Jeanne Lune theater in Minneapolis (where U Sam Oeur now lives) in September.

McCullough's most recent books are "Traveling Light" and "Sycamore Oriole." He's received the Academy of American Poets Award, a National Endowment for the Arts Fellowship, a Pablo Neruda Award and the Capricorn Book Award.

Homegrown talent

by Meredith Keaton
VANHOUS STAFF WRITER

10 Ruidoso-area artists are featured in this weekend's Art Festival

New Mexico has long been a haven for artists of all media. Ruidoso's serene beauty makes it especially favored by artisans looking for inspiration in the cool pines. Visitors of the 27th annual Ruidoso Art Festival Friday and Saturday will not only get to experience the talents and trades of 125 artists, but also will get a hefty dose of local flavor from Ruidoso area artists.

Two locally featured sculptors are Jordan Torres and Jim Mauritsen. Torres creates alabaster and limestone depictions of scenes tied to his Native American heritage. His pieces vary in style from representational to expressionistic. Torres returns to the festival after his selection as one of the Top 10 artists at last year's show to offer works ranging in price from \$75 to \$2,000.

Jim Mauritsen works from his Sudderth studio and has been carving in Ruidoso for four years. He will be on hand to display a collection of his stone and wood carvings.

Michele Malpica displays original art using the combined talents of sculpture, beadwork, and dressmaking to create Native American "dolls." Malpica's works have won numerous awards and tend to draw a response from all who view them. "I try to create a passing moment, a glimpse of faces that reflect pride and sadness - ethereal, powerful faces that make people respond," Malpica said.

Among the potters participating in this year's show are Vicki Conley of the Pinon Gallery and Todd Shelby and Karen Pritchett of Anamalia Pottery. Conley creates what she calls "functional" pottery, beautiful and useful pieces which are sold in shops and galleries around town.

Shelby and Pritchett use vivid imagination to create functional and eclectic decorative pottery with a touch of whimsy in their Capitan studio.

Virgil Stephens of Nogal is a cowboy turned artist whose western drawings have sold internationally. Stephens, raised as a cowhand, has sold more than 1,000 prints and originals of his detailed pencil and pastel drawings. Working from photos he conjures up scenes of animals and people with a distinct western theme.

Oil painter Maureen Quemada returns to the show with her Hawaiian and Spanish influenced paintings. Quemada, who works from a studio in midtown Ruidoso, uses intense color and classic ethnic images to give her works an exotic flair.

Bronze, copper, flowed metal and glass come together in the wearable crafts of Donna Spray. Spray's hand crafted jewelry "is very free form," she says. This year marks her 20th year at the festival.

Also on display in the wearable arts category will be Denise Dorn's batik and fabric creations. Batik is done by

applying wax to material and dying over it. The resulting design is similar to tie-dye.

Rand Harmon, an arts and tourism consultant and event promoter, will show his artistic photography, which he has pursued for some years now. Harmon's black and white photos depict scenes from "off the beaten path," with many featuring prehistoric ruins, remote landscapes and scenes from national monuments.



ARTIST VIRGIL STEPHENS



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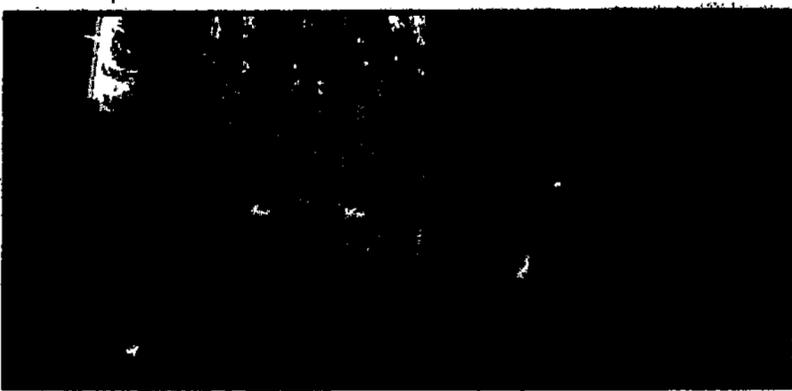
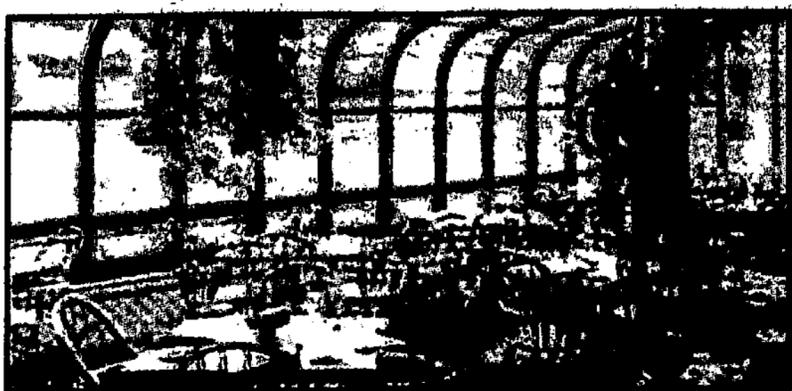


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 Lunch 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
 Dinner 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Sun. - Thur. 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Fri. & Sat.

Dan Li Ka Dining Room

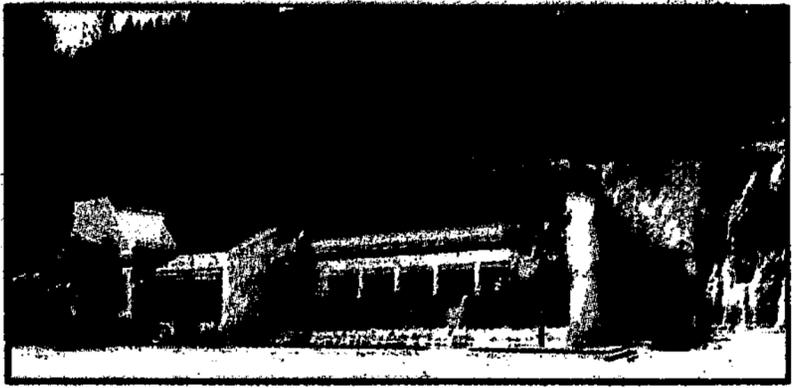
Elegant dining with fantastic views of Lake Mescalero provides the atmosphere at Dan Li Ka. The dining room also offers a Sunday brunch buffet and always has fine cuisine choices for lunch and dinner. And while at Dan Li Ka don't miss the decadent dessert and pastry menu.

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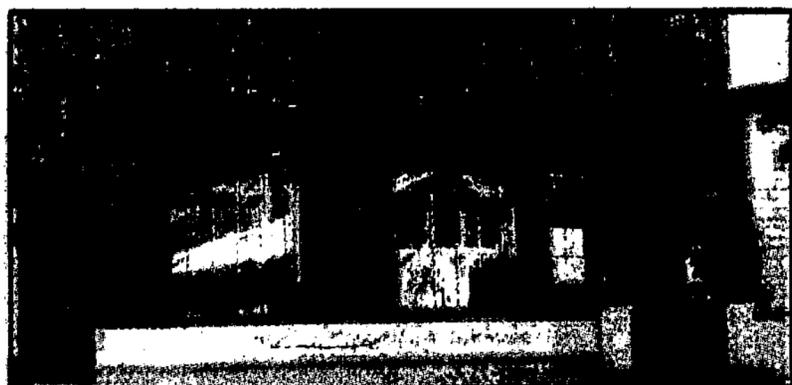
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La Lorraine

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Dining & Entertainment

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music

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by Meredith Keaton
VAMONOS STAFF WRITER

Peru native Christian Orellana is a musician with a beautiful tune as well as a social conscience. Playing native Andean instruments he spreads culture and ancestry from abroad to audiences in his new hometown of Albuquerque. Tonight Orellana will visit the Spencer Theater to tune in the summer concert series 'Music Under the Stars' and share his knowledge and talent of the culture that makes up the base for modern contemporary music.

Orellana has performed professionally since he was 16, and to him it is a gift he's had all his life. "Before the time I was performing to make a living, it was just a passion," he said.

Orellana's devotion to the music of his homeland offers audiences a unique experience. In addition to playing basic traditional music he often blends his native instruments with other sounds such as reggae and punk.

"It's unique already just because of the origin, but also the fact that I play three instruments at once and show the natural sounds of the hand-crafted instruments. They have a sound that's in touch with nature and a certain spirit," Orellana said. "I love to do the classical music with the pipes or

infuse reggae and ska with the traditional instruments."

The road to music as a profession hasn't been entirely easy for Orellana despite his original talents. "I found myself pretty recently without a band and what I tried alone didn't please me. I knew I couldn't quit music and that pushed me onto another stage in my career as a solo artist. It challenged me to prove myself by playing and focusing more on the roots of my music," he said.

His solo career, which he says is still in birth, gives him the opportunity to use his skills at playing multiple instruments.

"When I decided to pursue a solo career I had to dedicate myself to a lot of work. I began with the guitar harmony and started rehearsing the bars and the beats and once I got it down I started with the melodies on my pipes. I enhance my pipes in a way that makes it sound like I'm playing three instead of just one," he said. "Of course it was a big challenge, but at this point I'm really comfortable with my repertoire."



CHRISTIAN ORELLANA performs tonight.

a rock band as well as playing solo and traditional I can put in a tension and add different dynamics to involve other crowds too," he noted. "I generally have a great response from kids. They have so many questions and it's so impressive to them."

Because he's been a musician throughout his life, Orellana has a cool stage presence.

"I love the spotlight. I can concentrate well now and the reward is how I am received. Sometimes people are so moved that they relax or cry. I really enjoy when people are moved by what I do on stage because it proves that your efforts have been acknowledged," he said.

While music has been a life long pursuit of Orellana, since moving to New Mexico, he has a new cause. "I want to dedicate a lot of my time to good deeds. I donate my time to play at homeless shelters and day camps and the Albuquerque Museum. I want to work with events that have a noble cause and become the best human being I can," Orellana said. "I want to use my experiences in a way that can help others."

One of Orellana's most recent battles is for the musicians who are being told not to play in Albuquerque's Old Town.

"We're being stopped from playing in Old Town because it's defined as soliciting. We just want to play our music. Aside from making money, a lot of what I perform has an indigenous heritage and I like to explain that during my performances. It's a treat for everyone, including the tourists that visit Old Town," he

Giving audiences the best he can is also a goal of Orellana.

"Whatever type of music I'm doing is always done with all my heart. I've learned that I can't let anger or being upset take over my performances. It takes away my concentration and the good energy in my music," he added. "That's my philosophy, always take a good attitude on stage. I've learned to separate my personal life from my passion. When it's time to come back to my problems my music stays in a good place and my audiences deserve that."

Orellana finds that his music touches the souls of all kinds of people. The addition of his traditional flavor to currently popular styles of music lets him connect with more people than if he solely played traditional pieces.

"My music fits different types of crowds. It fits the older crowd because it's easy to listen to. But since I started playing in

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Singer Marcella Garcia performs songs in English and Spanish Fridays and Saturdays from 6-10 p.m. Garcia is slated to perform most weekends throughout the summer.

performances

'Always... Patsy Cline'
The Museum of the Horse presents "Always... Patsy Cline" by the Amarillo Little Theatre for two enchanting benefit performances, Saturday and Sunday. On Saturday night there will be a special silent auction and during intermission a live auction will take place.

This musical is based on the true story of a woman named Louise Seger who met Patsy Cline at a concert and continued a friendship with her until her untimely death. Show times are 6 p.m. Saturday and 6:30 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are \$1,500 for a table on Saturday or \$150 per person, and \$45 on Sunday. To purchase tickets contact the Museum of the Horse at 378-4142 or 800-263-5929.

'The Authentic Life of Billy the Kid'
A two-act play by the Lincoln County Players continues with 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday performances through August 1 at the Captain Territorial Theater. Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and younger.

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THE SKINNY

WHAT
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featuring Christian Orellana

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Plot: An asteroid the size of Texas is heading directly toward Earth at 22,000 mph. NASA's executive director, Dan Truman (Billy Bob Thornton), has only one option - to send up a crew to destroy the asteroid. He enlists the help of Harry S. Stamper (Bruce Willis) - the world's most foremost deep core oil driller - and Stamper's roughneck team of drillers to land on the asteroid, drill into its surface and drop a nuclear device into its core.

The Mask Of Zorro

Rated: PG-13

Show times: 12:30 p.m., 3:15 p.m., 6:40 p.m., 9:20 p.m.

Plot: Twenty years after Don Diego

de la Vega (Anthony Hopkins) fought oppression in Alta California as the hero Zorro, he must name a successor. Vega undertakes the task to transform a bandit with a troubled past (Antonio Banderas) into the new Zorro, who defends the weak with the slash of a steel blade and the mark of the "Z."

Saving Private Ryan

Rated: R

Show Times: 12:30 p.m., 3:05 p.m., 6:15 p.m., 9:30 p.m.

Plot: During the chaos of D-Day a crack unit of troops is ordered to find Private James Ryan (Matt Damon). As the soldiers push deeper into enemy territory, moving from one danger to the next, Captain Miller (Tom Hanks) and his men find themselves questioning their orders. Why is one man worth risking the lives of eight, and why is Private Ryan's life worth more than their own?

VIDEORAMA

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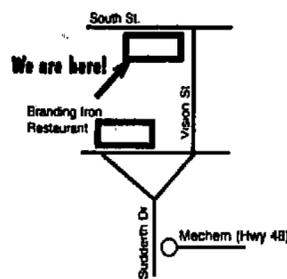
BEST BET



THE CAPITAN TERRITORIAL THEATER presents "The Authentic Life of Billy the Kid" Friday and Saturday through Aug. 1. The play stars (from left): Larry Wimbrow, Glen Pinnock, Rance Price and John Richards.

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MUSICIAN: Reaching out

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said.

In his struggles to petition for new licensing regulations for Old Town vendors and musicians Orellana has seen both sides of politics. "I wrote a proposal and got a meeting date with the merchant board, but one of the board members told me that the only reason I got a meeting was because they were trying to be diplomats. Basically, they wasted my time in a very kind way."

With his professional life on the up and up and noble causes on his mind, Orellana still finds himself a young artist and tries to relate most to people in his age group - those in their 20s.

Despite all the travel his career involves he remains very close to his family. "I have a 7-year-old brother who looks at me as a role model. That reminds me of what is right. One of my goals for the future is to start a family business. In Peru my mom had a restaurant and I'd like to give her the opportunity to cook again. It would be a great Peruvian restaurant with great music and my whole family there with me," he said.

"I don't want much more than what I have. I just want to have a decent life and live in harmony with people around the whole planet while extending my beliefs against what's not right and spreading my music to a new generation."

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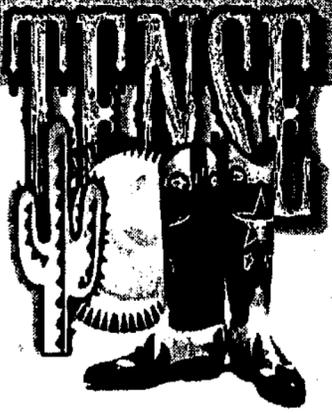


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HIS PISTOL AND SHOT THE
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KILLING HIM INSTANTLY. AS
THE SERGEANT PITCHED
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NAUGHTY...

Lincoln County was a violent place long before the Lincoln County War started. And the Coes, while they were peaceable people, were not immune to it. A good case in point is the saga of Frank Freeman.

Frank Freeman was a native of Alabama and a friend of the Coes. He had freely admitted that he had left his home state after some unpleasantness involving guns and black men. It is difficult for our 20th-century minds to understand how George Coe could describe Freeman as "friendly" considering his previous history and what he did in Lincoln one night in the Wortley Hotel. But one of the primary rules in studying the Old West is to never, never pass judgment on 19th-century men with our 20th-century values. It just doesn't work.

A meal to remember

One night after making some purchases and running some errands in town, Frank Freeman decided to go to the Wortley Hotel for dinner. Shortly after taking his seat in the restaurant, Freeman was surprised to see a black sergeant from Fort Stanton take the seat right next to him. Freeman's background immediately came to the fore. "There's a table for you over there," he announced to the black noncom. The sergeant replied, quite reasonably, "Isn't this a free country, sir?"

Apparently not, at least as far as Frank Freeman was concerned. Without another word, Freeman drew his pistol and shot the sergeant in the head, killing him instantly. As the sergeant pitched forward onto his plate, it occurred to Frank that he had been naughty, and he decided it might be a good time to leave. But he did not do so quickly enough, and Sheriff Brady, who had come running at the sound of the shot, arrested him and sent word to Fort Stanton about what had happened.

Fort Stanton is about nine miles from Lincoln, so a company of black buffalo soldiers arrived late in the evening to take charge of the prisoner and bring him back to the fort's guardhouse.

The temporary escape of Frank Freeman

In those days, the road from Lincoln to the fort hugged the Bonito

River, criss-crossing it several times. When they had gone several miles from Lincoln, the soldiers began to talk loudly of finding a good tree to "hang this chicken."

Freeman, realizing that he had better do something and do it fast, leapt from his horse into the river, and with the soldiers' bullets whistling all around him, swam and hid in the darkness. After the soldiers gave up the search, Freeman emerged from his hiding place and began the long walk to the Coe Ranch. In the middle of the night, soaked to the skin and still with his hands bound, Freeman walked the 20 or so miles from Lincoln to the Coe place across the mountains.

People these days talk a lot about "bad dudes." Want to see some real bad dudes? Examine the average inhabitant of Lincoln in the 1870s. Freeman's actions, while politically incorrect to our 20th-century minds, are still of the stuff that create legends. Soaking wet and bound, he walked across mountains teeming with predators, unarmed.

George suffers the consequences

About 10 days later, George was working in the fields when, looking toward his home, he saw that it was surrounded by soldiers in the company of Sheriff Brady. As George approached the group, he noticed that his neighbor, Doc Scurlock (who was also destined to become prominent among the Regulators) was sitting astride a horse with his hands bound.

When George introduced himself to Brady (the two had never met before), the Sheriff immediately placed him under arrest. Despite George's protestations, his weapons were confiscated and he was forced to abandon his ranch and accompany the group back to Lincoln. When he announced that he had no horse available, things got ugly.

On the orders of Sheriff Brady, both prisoners were placed on the same "little pony" with their feet bound under the horse's belly and George's arms tied around Scurlock's waist. George didn't have so much as a saddle blanket with which to make the 35-mile

journey. He graphically describes his suffering: "That was the most horrible three hours that anyone ever had to endure. I know, for I've been shot twice, had my leg broken in two places, and I could say more, but that's enough."

In addition to everything else, it began to rain, causing the men's



WILLIAM BRADY

PAST TENSE

bonds to shrink and tighten.

Payback Is a ...

By the time they arrived in Lincoln, all George could think about was revenge. He knew that he had been arrested because of his association with Frank Freeman, but in his own mind, he felt that he had done nothing wrong. (Don't forget that being an accomplice in those days was not nearly as catastrophic as it can be today.)

When he was asked if anyone in Lincoln could stand bail for him, George immediately thought of "Uncle" Ike Ellis, owner of the Ellis Store at the far east end of town. However, when he arrived at Ellis' place, he was more interested in procuring some weapons and avenging himself on the Sheriff, whatever the cost. Luckily, Ellis spoke with him for a long time, finally getting him to calm down and listen to reason.

But George never forgot his mistreatment at the hands of Sheriff Brady. And Frank Freeman, the source of all the trouble? A short time later he was cornered and killed by troops near the ranch of Charlie Bowdre.

In his book, George speaks of the Kid's reaction to both Tunstall's death and George's own suffering. According to George, after he had returned to his ranch, a small group of Regulators, including the Kid, gathered there.

In George's account, "Billy the Kid spoke up calmly: 'Well, they've darned near killed George, my next best friend.'"

Pulling out his pistol, the Kid then announced, "George, I'll bet you my pistol against five cents that I'll get even with that outfit before you do." To this George replied that, "I'll just call your hand on that."

And, as George would state later, "Billy the Kid made no idle boasts or bets." To anyone the least bit observant, Sheriff Brady was as good as dead.

Assassination

According to George Coe, the above conversation took place during the evening of March 31, 1878. Sheriff Brady had less than 18 hours to live. Later that night, in the company of fellow Regulators Frank MacNab, Fred Waite, Henry Brown, John Middleton and Jim French, the Kid rode into Lincoln.

It has never been made certain exactly what Sheriff Brady and his four deputies were doing in the street that April Fool's Day morning of 1878. Later accounts suggested that they were on their way down to the old Courthouse (the Murphy/Dolan Store was still the Murphy/Dolan Store at that point in time) to post a notice on the door.

Five men carrying Winchesters to hammer up a piece of paper? Doesn't seem very likely. According to George Coe, someone (reportedly Henry Brown) went down to the Ellis Store and started a "ruckus" designed to get Brady out into the street and heading for that end of town. If that was, in fact, what they did, it worked like a charm. Brady, in the company of his four deputies, left the Murphy/Dolan Store and began their fateful and fatal walk down Lincoln's street. As one might expect, they never made it to their destination.

As the quintet passed the Tunstall Store, the Kid and the others rose up from behind a gate that was at the back of the store on the east end of the building and opened fire with Winchesters.

This may well have been the worst planned ambush in history. I say this because two of Brady's deputies weren't even hit. One was superficially scratched. Deputy George Hindman was fatally wounded, dying a few minutes later. Sheriff Brady, however, went down with a whopping 16 bullets in him. He was, of course, dead when he hit the ground. Eyewitness Amelia Bolton Church, who was a child playing in the street that day, would later say of Sheriff Brady that "he never moved."

Sources: "Frontier Fighter" by George Coe; "A Documentary History of the Lincoln County War" by Frederick Nolan and "The Encyclopedia of Western Gunfighters" by Bill O'Neal.

CORRECTION

In last week's *Vámonos*, the photograph of John Tunstall was mislabeled as George Coe because of the editor's error. The *Ruidoso News* regrets the mistake.



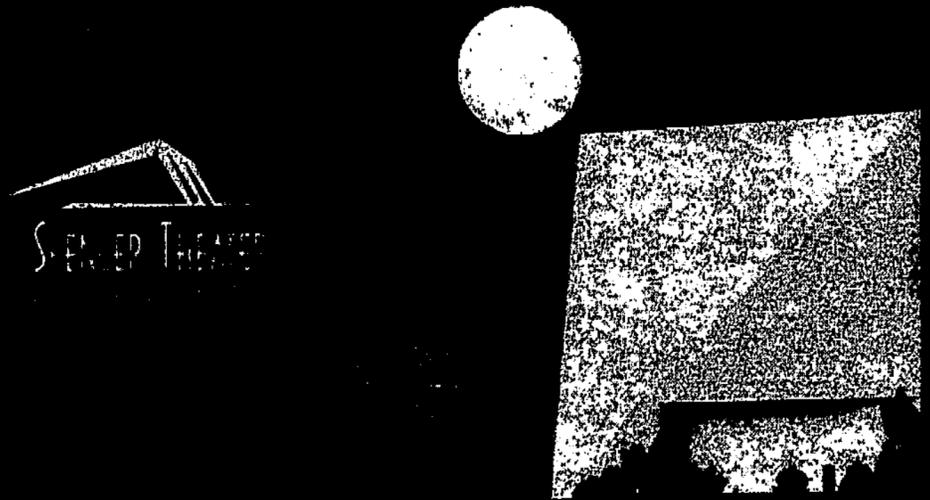
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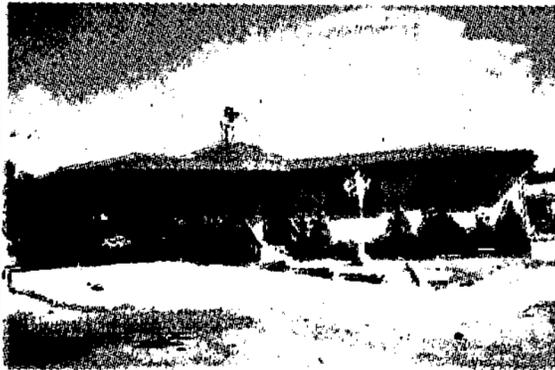
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3 bedrooms, 2.5 bath, 2 car garage. Large custom stucco home on 5.13 acres. Exceptional kitchen layout. Light colored tile and carpet.

REDUCED \$349,000

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

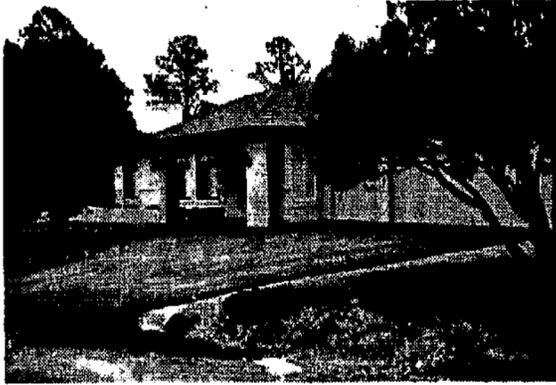
\$375,000 • 806 Carrizo Canyon Road

Land, building, business, name. 5.023 acres on the creek. High visibility. Undeveloped portion along creek would make a great R.V. Park or cabin project.

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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

Bennett • \$475,000 • 117 Quail Run
4 bedrooms, 4 baths, 2 car garage. Beautiful with 16 foot viga ceilings. Alto social membership. Each bedroom has its own bath. 2 private patios and an office.



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.

REDUCED \$319,500



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!

REDUCED \$329,000 AND MOTIVATED!



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

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



Alto

Howze • \$187,500 • 205 Sunset
3 bedrooms, 2 bath, full golf membership. Appliances only with fantastic view of Sierra Blanca.



Alto

Babcock • \$155,000 • 839 High Mesa Drive
3 bedrooms, 2 bath. A really cute house with hardwood floors and Sierra Blanca view! Lots of storage.

REDUCED \$29,500



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.



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.



White Mtn. Meadows

577 - 581 White Mtn. Meadows Dr.
3 nice patio homes \$96,500 each. 2 bdrm, 2 bath, 1 level, 1 car garage!

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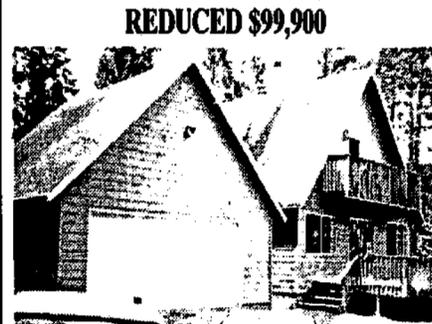
Alpine Village

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



Alpine Village

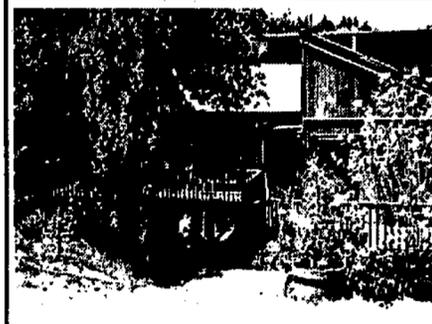
Barela • \$114,500 • 114 Iron Mtn. Road
3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, 2 car garage. Fenced. Nice wrap around decks. Private drive. Cute secluded cabin.



REDUCED \$99,900

Western Hills

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



Airport West

Porter • \$139,500 • 115 John Christman Dr.
3 bedrooms, 2 bath, sunken living room - sun room with jacuzzi tub - on quiet cul-de-sac with great views.



Green Meadows

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



Nogal

Hill • \$115,500 • Lincoln Street
Nice 4 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car detached garage on 1.83 acres in sunny country setting.



Skyland Addition

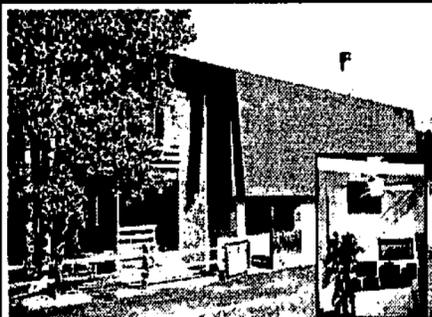
Proctor • \$149,900 • 4-Plex
New carpet and paint. All rented 1 bdrm, 1bath units. Just across from Ruidoso Women's Club.



REDUCED \$89,900

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.



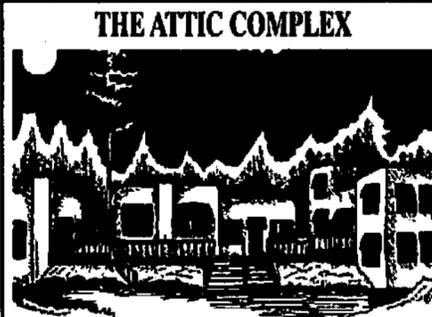
Cree Meadows Townhome

Minuti • \$149,500 • 119 Niblic Court
3 bedrooms, 2 bath, 1 car garage, recently remodeled with nice decks and nice Sierra Blanca Views.



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.

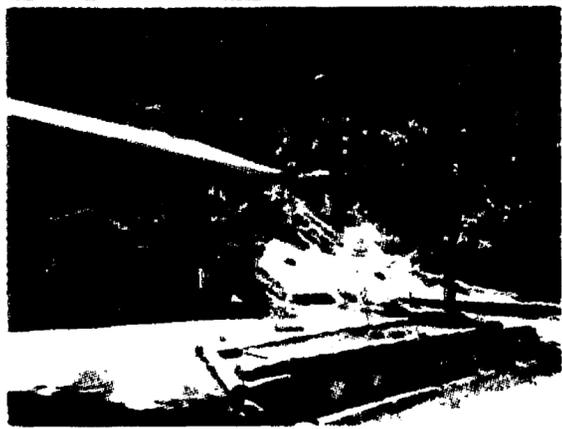
Russell • \$119,900 • 311 La Luz Lane
3 bdrms, 2 ba, 2 car gar. Nice 1 level home. In like new condition built by one of Ruidoso's leading builders.



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Enchanted Forest

Willingham • \$119,000 • Enchanted Forest Dr.
3 bedroom, 2 bath home on 2 lots with oversized 2 car garage. Very clean with pretty country setting.



Upper Canyon

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



Alto

Tomlin • \$218,000 • 111 Raccoon Court
3 bedrooms, 2 bath. Full golf membership, appliances only. Jacuzzi in the atrium. Very nice.



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!



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.



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.

SOLD!! SOLD!! SOLD!!



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.

SOLD!! SOLD!! SOLD!!



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.