



Trust board member resigns

BY TERRANCE VESTAL
RUIDOSO NEWS EDITOR

Lincoln County Heritage Trust Board member C.K. Stribling tendered his resignation Thursday "because of the circumstances."

The Trust recently announced that it will have to close its museums in the historic town of Lincoln because of financial woes.

Stribling, who said he served on the board for four years, said while, as a "native son of New Mexico" he is still interested in preserving the history of the area "that's the end of Lincoln for me."

"I put in a lot of time," Stribling said in his time on the board. "Hopefully, new funding can be found for the museum. It's important. I'm just not interested in being on the board anymore."

The Lincoln County Heritage Trust has come under fire by members of the public since the sudden announcement that the museum and the Dr. Woods House would be closed Nov. 1.

J. Robert Beauvais, another Heritage trustee, said Thursday that he has discussed the matter with Scott Spencer, another board member.

"We want the mission of the trust to continue," Beauvais said. "We want to see it to a logical conclusion."

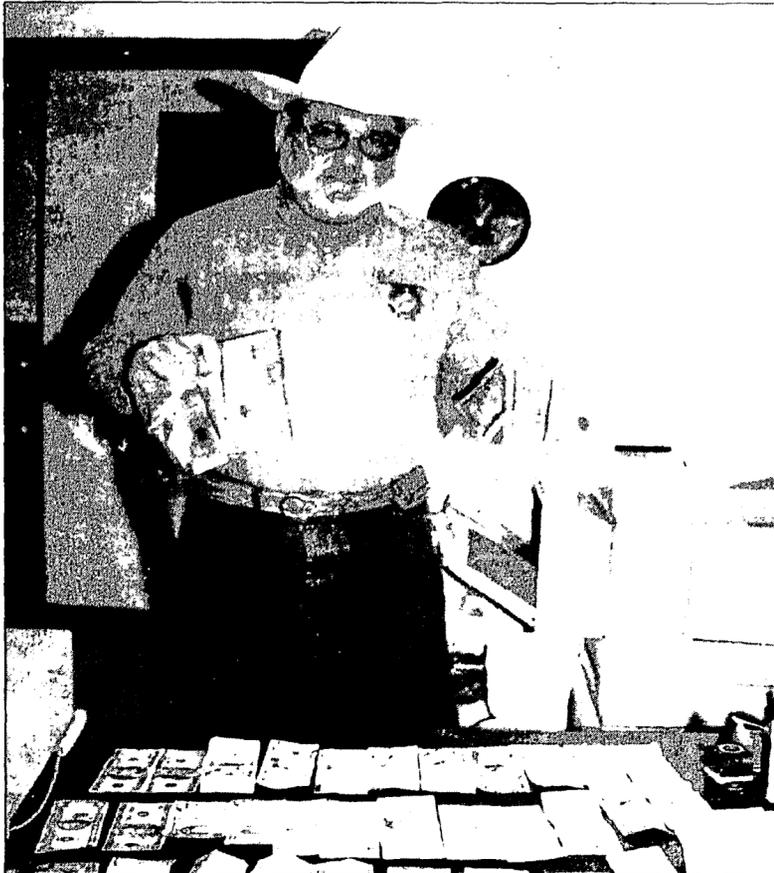
Beauvais said the trust's options are limited at this point but include finding an organization with a "complimentary mission" to take over the properties, possible the state's Monument Division.

Beauvais said that the board will consult with DeDe Freeman, who chairs the board, before making any decision on the direction the trust will take.

Further comments by Stribling are contained in the Letters to the Editor section of this edition (See page 5A).

Two others sought

Heroin sting nets two



Frank Hooper of the Lincoln County drug task force stands in front of \$800 in cash and about \$1,800 in heroine confiscated during a sting operation Tuesday.

BY SANDY SUGGITT
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The first heroin bust in 12 years netted two arrests, 6 grams of heroin, and \$800, said Frank Hooper of the Lincoln County Narcotics Unit.

Two others are still being sought after a heroin sting conducted Tuesday.

Agents from six agencies staked out the house at 217 Cambridge Way at 8 a.m. Tuesday, where three of the four people charged with trafficking of heroin live, Hooper said.

An undercover agent said he went into the house with a search warrant and found about 6 grams of heroine and drug paraphernalia, along with Michelle McCarty, 48, and her 6-year-old son (who was placed in custody of the Children Youth and Families Department).

The agent said the phone kept ringing as customers called to ask if they could pick up their packages and the agent told them to come on over.

Dion Reynolds, 21, of Capitan, was a customer who agents say came to the house to purchase some heroin while the sting was going on, "so we sold him some," said the agent.

"He then stated that he was



Henry Padilla



Diane Walding

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Mayor hopes county split talks end

BY TERRANCE VESTAL
RUIDOSO NEWS EDITOR

Mayor Robert Donaldson said Thursday the proclamation issued by the village of Ruidoso was to promote an understanding between Ruidoso and Lincoln County and not exacerbate any animosities that already exist between the entities.

"It was basically meant to put to bed any thought that the village as a government is pursuing splitting the county," Donaldson said. "But we want to raise awareness of the affect county government has on Ruidoso citizens and Lincoln County citizens as well."

The four-page proclamation, titled "A Proclamation to Promote Understanding between Ruidoso and Lincoln County, outlines why "... some people have begun talking about creating a new county."

Donaldson said he had not heard from the county since the proclamation was released at a regular village council meeting Tuesday night.

"It doesn't surprise me because the county commission already knows Ruidoso is disgruntled," Donaldson said of the commission's apparent silence. "They discount any unhappiness and haven't really listened to the reasons. There's a lot more specifics here (in the proclamation)."

Donaldson said that now that the village has raised the awareness of the public "and the commission" on the issue, "it's up to the commission on how they want to respond."

"We would like to work with them," Donaldson said. "We would like to see them work with other municipalities."

Commission Chairman L. Ray Nunley could not be reached for comment Thursday. According to Wal-

Mart Pharmacy staff where Nunley works, he was out of town until today.

Commissioner Wilton Howell, who represents a portion of Ruidoso, said while he has not read the proclamation he agreed that "the majority of the county commission has been negligent" to Ruidoso.

"We haven't gotten our money's worth and I've tried to tell them (the other commissioners) that," Howell said. "I've been booed and cussed and all in Carrizozo but what people need to realize is that Ruidoso is very productive in terms of tax money. The better Ruidoso does, the better the rest of the county will do also."

The proclamation follows in entirety:

A Proclamation to Promote Understanding between Ruidoso and

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Village officials scrutinize construction of new Post Office

Postal site

Ruidoso Mayor Robert Donaldson, left, discusses plans for the \$3.29 million U.S. Post Office with the project's manager, Scott Martin, at the 2.6 acre site next to the Ruidoso Convention Center. The lot was entirely cleared of trees because of plans to raise the elevation of the site by as much as 17 feet. The post office is expected to be completed in spring and landscaping added.



Toni K. Laxson/Ruidoso News

• Only this week, Ruidoso village officials received copies of the plans for the \$3.29 million U.S. Post Office under construction next to the Ruidoso Convention Center.

BY TONI K. LAXSON
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Ruidoso village leaders became worried recently when a 2.6-acre wooded lot next to the Ruidoso Convention Center was leveled.

Though village planners knew it was the site of the future U.S. Post Office in Ruidoso, they had not yet seen plans for the \$3.29 million structure. Federal buildings are not subject to local building codes, regulations or even permitting requirements.

On Tuesday, Ruidoso Mayor Robert Donaldson announced his concerns at a meeting of the Village Council.

"I imagine just about all of us have heard comments," he said. "The federal government is not required to follow our laws ... Nor are we given any way to stop them."

On Wednesday, following a meet-

ing with project managers at the site, Donaldson said his concerns were, for the time being, alleviated.

"There's an effort to work on the landscaping and stuff," he said.

"If they have issues and concerns, we are certainly want to work with them," Scott Martin, project manager, said Wednesday.

The lot had to be entirely cleared of trees because the plans called for elevating the site by as much as 17 feet, explained Cleatus Richards, director of the Ruidoso Planning Department. Though there had been discussion about trying to replant the some of the larger trees that had been at the site, it was decided the trees were not likely to survive, Richards said.

On Wednesday, Richards got his first look at plans for the new post office, though he had made a request to see the plans about two months ago.

"Normally, we don't allow disturbance of a site until they have an

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RUIDOSO'S THREE-DAY WEATHER OUTLOOK

SATURDAY High ... 45
Low ... 30

Rain showers

SUNDAY High ... 56
Low ... 28

Mostly cloudy

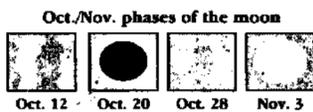
MONDAY High ... 51
Low ... 33

Rain showers

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Ruidoso Readings	High	Low	Precip.
Tuesday	51	45	1.10"
Wednesday	61	29	trace
Thursday	62	30	.00"

Regional-Wednesday	High	Low	Forecast
Albuquerque	62	45	Rain showers
El Paso, TX	74	58	Thunderstorms
Lubbock, TX	71	57	Thunderstorms
Midland, TX	75	58	Thunderstorms



STARDATE

On Saturday bright, cream-colored Jupiter stands just above the moon as they set around 3 a.m. If you miss them in the morning, though, they will appear near each other in the evening sky as well, with Jupiter above the moon as darkness falls.

Saturday is Halloween, one of four "cross-quarter" days, which occur roughly half way between a solstice and an equinox.

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The horse and buggy was the main source of transportation at the turn of the century.

L.C. SCRAPBOOK

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

White Oaks Eagle Oct. 25, 1900

The compromise shaft is now down a little over 60 feet, and 12 feet of sulphide ore has been cut to the bottom. A 20-foot drift south has been cut on ore that runs \$70 per ton. One hundred tons of sulphide ore is on the dump which assays \$40

per ton. Immense quantities of free gold is being taken from the tunnel. Messrs. Heiniman and Cray bought this property a little over three months ago for \$1,500. They sold it immediately for \$20,000 to Kansas City Capital. The Kansas City people have refused an offer of \$100,000.

Jas. Lee, Geo. Queen, Q. Haley and Lloyd Hulbert, composed the party of nimrods who went to the White Mountain country hunting. They returned without game.

Early voting ends Saturday

The final day for early voting is Saturday, Oct. 31, at the Ruidoso Convention and Civic Events Center off Mechem Drive.

Lincoln County residents registered to vote in the Nov. 3 general election can cast their ballots early in person - no excuses needed.

On Saturday, the polling place in Ruidoso will be open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

On Tuesday, Nov. 3, polls will open at 7 a.m. and close at 7 p.m. For more information, call the Lincoln County Clerk at (505) 648-2394.

On going construction



Dianne Stallings/Ruidoso News

Construction continues on State Highway 48 near the Swiss Chalet. Blasting in the area is scheduled to begin today. (See story on page 3A for more details)

POST OFFICE: The new post office will feature 5,200 post office boxes

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approved site development plan," Richards said as he looked over blueprints for the structure.

The post office won't be required to pay the village a building permit fee, which would have been \$7,471, according to planning staff.

However, besides providing the village with plans of the construction, the project manager has said the plans also will be brought before the Ruidoso Planning and Zoning Commission as a courtesy.

"I think this is an indication of their efforts to cooperate with village," Richards said.

The building, said to be 19,000 square feet, will have an exterior of rough brown block.

Landscaping is planned for both the Sudderth frontage of the building as well as along Sierra Blanca Drive, the drive to the convention center, Richards said. Two entrances are planned, one off of both roads, he said.

After prompting from Donaldson, Martin agreed to discuss landscaping at the back of the building, which abuts the golf course. The plans call for a block wall at the back of the facility that will match the block used for the building. Donaldson asked if mature trees could be planted along the back wall.

"We just want to make sure that it fits in with the community," Donaldson said.

Martin said the trees couldn't be too close to the wall, since

they could be used as access to the facility, but agreed to consider trees that were spaced a short distance from the wall.

Construction of the building should be finished in 270 good working days, which will probably result in construction continuing into June, Martin

said. The new building will be almost four times the size of the current post office, which was built in 1961. It will have about 5,200 post boxes, compared to the current 3,150, according to information provided earlier.



courtesy

Architects rendering of Ruidoso's new post office

PROCLAMATION: Ruidoso apparently is not getting its tax dollars worth

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Lincoln County

To foster understanding between two parties, one must communicate the depths of one's motivation and where that motivation has come from, hence, this proclamation.

Many of the discussions in the local papers about starting a new county or Ruidoso wanting to control everything or getting all its tax dollars back, have missed the point. It's not about Ruidoso counting the pennies it sends to the county or the pennies sent back. It's about equal treatment under the law for the taxpayers of Ruidoso. If adequate county services were provided where needed, then the talk of creating a new county or moving the county seat would soon disappear.

For instance, why is it necessary for Ruidoso to fight fires in the county? The Lincoln County Commission could set up a fire district in the Ruidoso area as they have in other areas of the county to handle that responsibility. It could then contract with the village to fight those fires instead of the taxpayers of Ruidoso paying for the service the county should be providing. Why is it necessary for the village police to respond to an accident with injuries at 7:30 a.m. on a weekday two miles out on Airport Road, 10 miles or more from our police station? If the county commission would fund adequate police protection in the county, again, the Ruidoso taxpayers would not have to foot the bill. If the county would transport their prisoners from Ruidoso in a timely manner, the taxpayers of Ruidoso would not be paying for service the county commission is supposed to provide. None of these are new and most have been discussed and potential solutions dismissed by the Lincoln County Commission. Sadly, these are but a few of the many examples that continually occur.

Ruidoso property owners pay approximately \$1.4 million in property taxes to the county for county operations and special projects. We pay only \$1 million in property tax to the Village of Ruidoso for the operations of our own village gov-

ernment. Our population numbers are responsible for much of the other income that is derived from other sources based on population. We represent 47 percent of the total property valuations in the county. When people state that county money is sent to Ruidoso EMS, Ruidoso is paying 47 percent of the money contracted to Ruidoso EMS for services in the county, but outside of Ruidoso. Ruidoso pays for its own EMS service. When people state that the county is sending money to the Ruidoso library, 47 percent of that money is from Ruidoso and over 40 percent of the users are non-Ruidoso, Lincoln County residents.

The commissioners often state that they give to Ruidoso through the (Lincoln County Medical Center) hospital. The reality is, Lincoln County wouldn't have a hospital if it wasn't in this area of the county. Everybody in the county pays a separate property tax levy that is but a small part of the hospital's budget. Remember, taxpayers in Ruidoso pay 47 percent of that tax. The people employed by the hospital live all over Lincoln County. The people who help do construction on the hospital also live all over the county. Finally, the capital equipment that is purchased for the hospital cannot be bought in Ruidoso. The direct benefit of the hospital is to all of the citizens of Lincoln County, not to just the citizens of Ruidoso.

More than 50 percent of the total use of our parks and recreation facilities for adults and children are by non-Ruidoso, Lincoln County residents. The county road department did provide some of the dirt work for the road at the White Mountain Sports Complex. Ruidoso invested \$1 million in the project, the Ruidoso School Board invested land worth well over a half million dollars and the county did in-kind services that would have a value of about \$80,000 in the private sector. The county did fund all of the municipalities a one-time shot of money for recreation. The vil-

lage's portion was approximately \$67,000. We spent or dedicated over a third of those funds on the Little League park on Gavilan Canyon Road, which is not even in the Village of Ruidoso but in the county. Our taxpayers have always been good neighbors to the people of Lincoln County.

The taxpayers of the various municipalities in Lincoln County pay the vast majority of the taxes. Why do these municipalities then have to pay Lincoln County again to use our jail? Lincoln County provides Capitan, Corona and Carrizozo their police communications and dispatch at no charge, yet Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs must pay for their own. The senior citizen centers in the Hondo Valley, Corona, Capitan, Carrizozo and Ruidoso Downs all receive funding from the county. Why is the Ruidoso Senior Center the only one left out? Is this equal treatment for all taxpayers?

It would also appear that the Lincoln County Commission is playing the different villages against each other. I have been told by people in Carrizozo (that) commissioners have said to them there was no money for Carrizozo because it all goes to Ruidoso. Well Carrizozo, we don't receive the money either. It's time for municipalities to get together and ask where does the money go.

The citizens of Ruidoso do not expect every dollar of tax sent to the county to be sent back to Ruidoso. We understand that a portion of the overhead of the manager's and clerk's offices, the courthouse and the jail is our responsibility. It seems to me, however, to be totally unacceptable that Ruidoso receives back less than 3 percent of the property taxes it sends to Lincoln County and most of the time, much less.

These and more are the reasons that some people have begun talking about creating a new county. Interestingly, the comment I hear most often by people who oppose the formation of a new county is to move the county seat closer to the population base. These people I

have spoken with live in Ruidoso, Ruidoso Downs and Alto. The discussions about creating a new county or moving the county seat are features created by these unequal treatments of the various parts of Lincoln County.

I believe it will be a real tragedy if Lincoln County was eventually split. But to those who say it can never happen, it can and may happen, not because various city and county leaders want it, but because the citizens of this part of the county finally get fed up with little return on their tax dollars and can see no other alternative that will allow them to receive fair and equal treatment.

If we are to end the divisions that exist in this county, we must find new and creative ways of bringing the services required to all areas of the county and all municipalities. We must create a state-of-the-art county government that is moving toward the new information age, not running away from it. In this world of computers, modems and the Internet, why can't each village hall and a center in the valley have a county computer substation with designated employees, authorized by the county, to record deeds, look up records and valuations, accept protests and provide other pertinent county services? Why can't we find new ways to offer the people and their communities the level of protection they desire from incompatible property uses, while not infringing on the rural area's traditional or historic lifestyles? Why can't we have a county government that wants to partner with the different areas and municipalities to help manage the unique problems that each has? We must not only talk to each other but really listen and understand what each other is saying. We must start rejoicing in each other successes. We must end the petty jealousies that exist between us. We can make this county work but only if all citizens and all communities feel they are a part of Lincoln County and they all have a role in the process.

Sincerely, Robert P. Donaldson, Mayor of Ruidoso

"We must end the petty jealousies that exist between us."

Robert Donaldson, Ruidoso mayor

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Ruidoso teen center gets backing from citizens, businesses

BY TONI K. LAXSON
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Donations for a Ruidoso teen center have already begun rolling in, village leaders announced this week.

"I've already spoken with an architect, George Staten," Ruidoso Mayor Robert Donaldson said at Tuesday's council session.

Staten has volunteered to design the 1,500- to 3,000-square-foot building, which is to be located in School House Park, Donaldson said. And Paul Crown, head of Cablevision, has offered to provide free cable service as well as hook up a sound system at the teen center.

Additionally, the Optimists Club

has expressed an interest in the project, Donaldson said.

His goal is to build the center with as many donations as possible before dipping into village funds. An account has been set up at Village Hall to accept cash donations as well. Village Manager Alan Briley on Thursday said the account had \$300 in it.

Previously, the location of the center was set for an area between the tennis courts and swimming pool. On Tuesday, Donaldson said a better location would be next to the Ruidoso Senior Citizens Center at the park.

The new site, recommended by Rafael Salas, head of the Parks and Recreation Department, is a better in many ways and would offer more

parking, he said.

The center, whose interior is to be determined by teens, could be finished as early as this spring, Donaldson has said.

During the discussion, Councilor Bill Chance said the old Wal-Mart building on U.S. Highway 70, located next to the Furr's grocery store, was not an available option for the village.

"Wal-Mart obviously isn't interested in the community, in the teen center or in you or I," he said, referring to a recent letter to the editor that criticized the village for not trying to acquire the vacant building. "It is a business decision."

Donaldson added that he learned the building isn't actually owned by

Wal-Mart, but by another entity in Bentonville, Ark., Wal-Mart's corporate headquarters. That entity, he said in an earlier council session, has set rent at \$10,000 a month.

"Honestly, they are not going to donate that building," he said at the time.

Chance also said he is exploring whether any assistance for the center could come from the YMCA organization.

Councilor Ron Anderson told the council he has talked with principals at Ruidoso's high school and junior high. Both have agreed to allow village leaders to meet with groups of teens during school hours to discuss what the teen center should offer, he

said. "So, I think we should schedule one or two meetings with kids at each location," Anderson said.

People wishing to make cash donations to the center should make checks out to VOR/Teen Center and drop the checks off at village hall at 313 Cree Meadows Dr., with members of the teen center committee or with Donaldson. Members of the committee so far include Joe Zagone, Mary Austin and Glenn Remington.

Anyone wishing to make a donation of either services or items — such as televisions, VCR, pool tables, etc. — should leave a message for Donaldson at 258-4343, he said.

Mechem road work to continue through winter—maybe

FUNERALS DEATHS

• Despite previous statements by construction officials, road work along Mechem is to continue during the winter.

BY TONI K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

What Mechem Drive looks like this winter depends heavily on the weather from now until mid-December, a construction official said this week.

If warm, dry weather prevails, then the east lane now under construction will be paved and southbound traffic diverted on to it, said Kevin Clower, a project engineer with Meadow Valley Contractors, Inc., the company contracted by the state to widen Mechem Drive.

Northbound traffic, however, will continue on the west lane while road crews start work on the middle lane, Clower said Wednesday at a weekly meeting on highway issues.

But, "We are behind schedule now because of the weather," he said.

Road crews need two to three weeks of dry weather to

finish putting in curbs, gutters and sidewalks along 4 miles of the east side of Mechem Drive — from Sudderth to White Mountain Drive, Clower said.

After that, paving can be done quickly, he said, but only when the temperature is at least 60 degrees.

"We just need a couple of good days to pave it," he said.

"But you are still scheduled for completion (of the east lane) before suspension?" Ruidoso Village Manager Alan Briley asked Clower at the meeting.

"Right," he answered.

Previously, the project manager for the work said the goal was to "button up" the first stretch of the project for winter, completing as much construction work as possible before shutting down until warmer weather arrived. Bill Loomis, who is no longer with Meadow Valley, said the goal was to give motorists as much of the road back as possible for the winter. (Clower said Wednesday Loomis has left the company to take another job.)

Now, the goal is to complete the east lane and shift work to the middle lane, where

dirt work can be done even during cold weather, construction officials said.

"I would hate to see you suspend when that type of work can continue," Ruidoso Mayor Robert Donaldson said at the meeting.

Clower said the company hopes to complete the east lane at least by mid-December, or sooner, if possible.

Blasting to start today

Road work on the second leg of Mechem, starting at White Mountain Drive and ending at Ski Run Road, is to continue through the winter as planned earlier.

As part of that job, blasting is to start this afternoon at the top of Alto Hill, just north of the Best Western Swiss Chalet, said a representative for the sub-contractor in charge of the blasting.

Ed Allen, a field supervisor for American Mining Services, said Thursday there won't be any blasting after today for the next two weeks. After that, blasting will occur about once a week "off and on" for the next eight to 12 weeks, he said.

"There shouldn't be any

real material flying through the air," Allen said of today's work. "We're just going to fracture the rock."

Traffic shouldn't be held up more than five minutes at a time during the blasting, which is scheduled to start at 3 p.m., Allen said.

Explosives will be used to remove rock bed so a replacement water line may be put into the ground at depths of up to 16 feet. The existing water line, which connects much of Ruidoso to the village's main water tanks in Alto, is too close to designated blasting sites for the road construction itself, officials say. State highway officials recently approved a complex plan to divert the existing water line away from the areas marked for explosives. Under the plan, the water line will cross the road in four places, Clower said.

The replacement water line needs to be installed at 16 feet because the elevation of the roadway near the new line will be dropped in some places by about 10 feet, officials said. Water lines need to be buried between 4 and 6 feet deep, Richard Sanchez, director of

Ruidoso's Water Department, said.

Snow removal

Another issue of the road construction was resolved this week when state highway officials and contractor representatives met to decide who should have the task of removing snow along road construction areas. "The highway department gave us a response — we are responsible," Briley said Tuesday at the Ruidoso Village Council meeting.

It was decided the highway department was in charge of maintaining the road in inclement weather. But the highway department has a contract with village of Ruidoso to perform that task, Briley said. So, the job falls to Ruidoso.

Briley cautioned that snowplows may pile snow up on concrete barriers along construction zones, possibly restricting motion on the road. If the east lane is completed, then the concrete barriers can be pushed back some, allowing the snow to be dumped over the barriers or onto sidewalks, he said.

Benjamin L. Herrera

Funeral mass for Benjamin L. Herrera of Ruidoso Downs, 66, who died Tuesday, will be at 4 p.m. today at St. Jude's Catholic Church in San Patricio.

Burial will follow at the St. Jude Catholic Cemetery. The Rev. Richard Catanach will preside.

Mr. Herrera, born in San Patricio on Aug. 27, 1932, was a life-long Lincoln County resident. He married Bea Chavez on Nov. 16, 1953. A carpenter, he was a member of St. Jude.

Survivors include his wife, Bea; mother, Aleisa Herrera; daughters Becky Harrington of Stillwater, Okla., Arlene Herrera of Ruidoso Downs, Lorena Rue of San Patricio, Dolores Rue of Glencoe, Teresa Herrera of Stillwater and Sandra Rue of Ruidoso Downs; sons Sammy, Ben Jr. and Pat Herrera of Ruidoso Downs; 17 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Arrangements are under the direction of LaGrone Funeral Chapel of Ruidoso.

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OUR OPINION

Election countdown

They were counting down at Cape Kennedy Thursday morning as seven astronauts, including an old-timer named John Glenn, prepared to go into low Earth orbit for a nine-day scientific mission.

The rest of the country was in the throes of an extended countdown toward next Tuesday's general election. In New Mexico the countdown was marked by an extended flurry of television advertisements castigating the very thought that anyone else could be trusted to do any sort of job for the rest of us except the particular person whose cohorts paid for the ad.

But such a state of affairs hasn't changed much in recent campaigns. If anything, the interesting switch in this year's campaign is the great increase in one-on-one debates in the gubernatorial race. Gov. Gary Johnson and challenger Martin Chávez have faced off time after time both on and off the air—to the point that one gets the impression they are running on automatic pilot as they punch and counter-punch.

To their credit, they have gotten neither vicious nor violent, and the net effect is that this year the voters should be better informed than ever, at least in that one race. There is a difference in these two, and it shows. It also shows the value of frequent debates in informing the voters.

None of the debates were in our neck of the woods, of course; we don't have enough votes. Nevertheless, our political future will be improved should this year's gubernatorial campaign launch a new trend.

But it will all go for naught if those better informed citizens don't bother to vote.

Halloween's coming

Ruidoso never has been your typical Halloween-celebrating community; it's just too easy for children stumbling around in the dark to fall over an embankment, or worse.

So long lists of Halloween safety dos-and-don'ts don't particularly apply. The rule for Ruidoso is and always should be: Adults accompany kids in making their rounds, and make the rounds before darkness falls.

Better yet, involve the youngsters in planned church, school or community events that keep them off the streets and out of trouble.

Costumes, of course, should be of flame-resistant material; accessories, like swords, should be fake and softly flexible.

John McPhee, of the State Health Department, says it well: "Tragedies can be averted and children can enjoy a fun, carefree time when parents are involved and take precautionary steps."

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Haunted House

YOUR OPINION

Parks & Rec needs to save adult basketball

To the editor:

I am not going to let the men's basketball league end without at least putting forth a little effort to save it. I need the help of some other people who feel the same way. I need people who want to play, who want to exercise, and who just do not want a tradition of recreation for our community to end. We must convince the city recreation department that we still want a league and that the program is worth keeping. So we need players and teams, and we need to communicate with (the) department.

...I get the feeling that they would be glad to just let it go and not have to deal with it, even though it is exactly this kind of program that they should be fighting to keep. I...feel that the department should put forth a lot of effort to find a way to keep this program alive...We need programs like this to promote a feeling of community, to provide social opportunities, and to provide a healthy physical outlet...

I will do what I can to get people to get the program going again, and I hope the Parks and Recreation Department will not just let one more adult recreation program disappear...

Maybe, this is not important to a great number of people in this community, but to those of us who need and use it, it is important. Adults need recreation too, and if it cannot be provided, then what is the point of having a Parks and Recreation Department in this city?

Dennis Davis
Ruidoso

Honor the academics; they are our future

To the editor:

Here's hoping to see more student recognition for academic achievement in the *News* this school year.

Scholastic attainment merits at least equal space along with athletic skills. Teacher-student learning accomplishments provide solid foundations for students, schools and the entire Ruidoso community.

Honor rolls and awards assemblies deserve first place in this reader's eyes.

Marchand "Mac" McDougal
Ruidoso

Brady Canyon side-swipe carries its own message

To the editor:

This is in response to Sherry Puckett's "east and west coast" letter. Three weeks ago I was driving home late at night and encountered a vehicle coming up the hill, around the curve, in the middle of the road, with bright lights on and speeding.

I immediately moved as far right on (Brady Canyon Road) as possible, slowed down from 25 mph to 15 and prayed there would not be a head-on collision.

The vehicle never faltered, and, bang, the sides of our cars bounded off one another. I stopped; the other vehicle kept going. Fortunately, I was not injured and my car sustained no damage.

No matter where you are from, everyone needs to drive on their side of the road and visualize imaginary lines on the road to reduce danger to yourself and these roadhogs.

THE SILVER LINING

Snow birds in a birthday rain



BY DAN STORM
COLUMNIST

This is being sent to you just at high noon on Oct. 27, my 89th birthday; and my lifelong little friends, the snow birds, are out in the front yard singing in the rain, reminding me of the favorite song of the 1930s.

The pathway to the door is a miniature long lake with the snow birds, song sparrows and house finches feeding along the shoreline.

The rain has been falling very gently since before daybreak, and they tell me it is raining east to the Texas border and north to the Colorado line.

Usually the home bunch of cows and calves go up to the hills when it rains, but today they are close around the house to keep me company and help celebrate my birthday, eating hay in place of birthday cake.

For breakfast I had some of the large chocolate cake Mrs. Zella Hicks baked me specially for my birthday.

This extension of the rainy season into Indian Summer gives us a running start into a wonderful fall and winter season.

Halloween's ahead

This message will reach you as Halloween approaches, and memories are carrying me back to my childhood days in Juneau, Alaska.

My brothers and I and the other children of the neighborhood would take our jack-o-lanterns and go from house to house, where we would play Halloween games such as diving for apples. A tub would be half full of water and a dozen or so apples. We would "dive" for them—that is, try to bite them out of the water.

After playing several games, we would move on to the next house after having been given sacks containing candy, cookies, apples and oranges. Along the way, we would be given a large sack in which to

Some of these drivers are also dangerous to drive behind because without warning they brake and then put on a "blip" of a turn signal or brake with no signal at all.

As far as "not letting the door hit ya," I suggest you attend one of the hospitality seminars offered by the Chamber of Commerce. The east and west coasts would welcome the visitors you wish to run off the road. I want our tourists and visitors to know that your attitude does not represent the majority of us "southwestern" drivers.

Katy Bowen
Ruidoso

Warriors need support as playoffs approach

To the editor:

The RHS warrior Football Booster Club would like...to thank the community for the outstanding Warrior spirit and support that shook Bulldog Stadium Friday night in Artesia. We are proud of our Warriors and ask that the community spirit continue as we battle for a playoff position.

(Tonight) at Horton Stadium...the warriors ram helmets with Portales. Friday, Nov. 6, at Horton Stadium, the Warriors tumble with the Lovington Wildcats in the last game of the regular season. We invite you to some exciting football entertainment.

Catch the spirit as our Ruidoso Warriors continue their quest to "shock the world"...

Susan Lutterman,
president
RHS Football Booster Club

Just a little anticipation

I've heard about the "beltway" for years—that circle of freeways wrapping around Washington in the District of Columbia like a corral fence.

TV types and syndicated columnists, particularly, like to pontificate about the "real people outside the beltway."

They're the ones the "insiders" like to point to as being the people whose

votes and polled opinions are so important to those enjoying the power and prestige of being inside the beltway. They give lip service about the outsiders' importance, but seldom do they really pay attention unless an election is coming up.

Well—New Mexico has its own figurative beltway; I call it the Rio Grande Corridor—that string of counties between Taos and Las Cruces, where the power brokers wheel and deal, and where the politicians spend most of their time and our money.

I'm mindful of that every time I venture into such places as Albuquerque, where last weekend the state's newspaper people gathered for their annual mutual admiration session (a convention and awards banquet).

I was able to hear Gov. Gary Johnson debate with challenger Martin Chávez (a straw poll of listeners gave Johnson a 26 percent margin), and shake hands with a few people with currently prominent names, like Attorney General Tom Udall (running for the U. S. House) and House Speaker Raymond Sanchez (a Demo shoo-in for reelection).

What struck home, however, was the blank look on the faces of my peers in the newspaper business who live along the Rio Grande when I suggested that state government wasn't of such overwhelming concern in my corner of the world. Of course, all of us reflect our background, and Lincoln County is notable for its obstreperous insistence on not doing the politically correct thing.

Nevertheless, some of us will (or already have) voted in the election that's officially next Tuesday, probably attracted to the polling places more by local races than those at state level. (Yep, it's likely that Congressman Joe Skeen will go back to Washington.)

I do have a certain anticipation about who wins the governorship. We'll all know before the next issue of this newspaper reaches you. And I do hope you vote.

LETTERS POLICY

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

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

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YOUR OPINION

Stribling resigns Trust

To the editor:
In an effort to clarify what has evidently become a very confusing situation, I would state the following:

There is not now nor has there ever been a Lincoln Heritage Trust. The Anderson and Freeman families founded the Lincoln County Heritage Trust some years ago as a private, not-for-profit corporation, which they have funded at the rate of \$60,000 to \$70,000 in losses per year, amounting over the years to something in the area of \$4.5 million, not mentioning the endless hours of their valuable time and efforts.

Their level of commitment remains; however, the funding, unfortunately, is no longer available to the trust. Accusations, charges, threats and attempted blackmail says more about the accusers than the accused and in no way alters the fact that a new source of funding will have to be found if the museum is to reopen and continue to function.

References to a trust director are a mis-statement of fact. The board substituted that position with a coordinator some months ago, at the end of the Salazar administration.

I have tendered my resignation to the board and will state irrevocably that I have no agenda for nor interest in the affairs of Lincoln other than the sincere hope that a funding solution will be found, the museum will reopen, and the Lincoln County War will continue in good health and continued vigor.

C. K. Stribling
Ruidoso Downs

On visual pollution

To the editor:
The village council considers the political signs around town to be visual pollution. Beauty is in the eyes of the beholder. I consider the signs to be most dear to my heart and truly a celebration of freedom.

I consider this season to be just as vital to our national and community culture as the celebration of Christmas. Let us consider the possible wider effect of what the council has proposed. Should we single out the democratic process and the resultant signs? Should we consider all the temporary signage regardless of purpose? ... Should we also complain about the club and activity signs that garishly appoint the community tennis courts? I rejoice in the placement of political signs.

Speaking of limiting to 30 days the time that a political sign can be in place, why then do we not proclaim removal of Christmas decorations. The ...decorations have now become festooned year round upon the many commercial buildings of our pristine village. What gaudy taste these incandescent rope icicles portray for our village! Good taste surely has a limit...That Christmas decor should be limited to the same schedule that we have lived with for so long, or, should we set a limit of one week for the celebration of both Christmas and Politicking? And what are we to do about the tasteless commercial/club decorations about town?

I suggest that we actively participate in our community management, the national and local electoral process, and also I most highly recommend the celebration of both politics and religion. When we give ear to

both the variety of religious beliefs, customs and the divergent political philosophies, we encourage understanding, education and peaceful coexistence. This is what the world is sorely in need of at this time.

Ray Prossner
Ruidoso

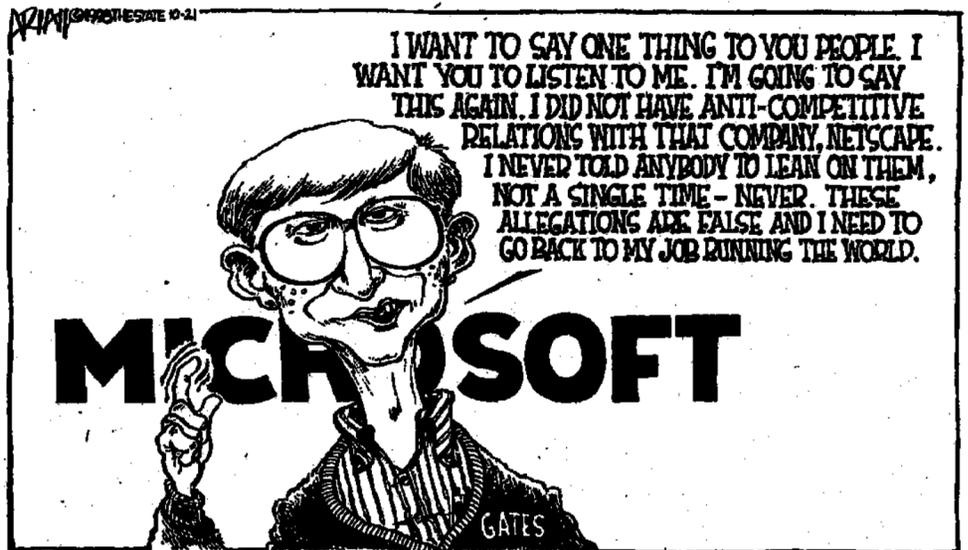
Teen center welcomed

To the editor:
Hooray for Robert Donaldson and the village council on their decision to build a teen center! Please, Ruidoso, don't let this effort to help and support our youth be met with apathy. I want to challenge every parent in the Ruidoso area to donate a minimum of \$100 to help build the center. This is a small price to pay to give our kids a safe place to go have fun. How many times have we heard them say they have no place to go?

And teens, I challenge you to donate your time and efforts to make this center a success. How many Saturday nights have you driven up and down Sudderth wishing you had somewhere to go? If you can prove that you will support this beginning effort, there may be no limit to what could come in the future, perhaps a community center with indoor pool... This is your chance. You can do what you want with it. Find out how you can get involved. However, if you don't put forth effort to make this a success, you lose your chance to get anything else from the village in the future.

Let's put forth every effort to make this a success. I'm writing my check and volunteering my time today. How about you?

Mollie Warren
Ruidoso



Time to pay or change

I continue to be dismayed by the behavior of the leadership of the Mescalero (Apache) Tribe in the issue of their obligation to pay the state... a reasonable share of the tribe's gambling revenue. ... (T)his behavior... is evidence that theirs is a culture in adolescence; (it) has not matured to a point of accepting responsibility for one's actions.

Mr. (Wendell) Chino, the tribal president, has previously entered into an agreement... in which the tribe agreed to pay a percentage to the state of the gambling revenue in return for being allowed to reopen Casino Apache. He reopened ... but then said the percentage was unfair and he would not pay it. Now he has stated that he will participate in arbitration with the state, but will not abide by

the outcome... if (it)...were not to their liking...equivalent of the adolescent retort, "you can't make me!"

I fear that this will not be an easily resolved issue ... This summer I spoke for over two hours with Congressman Pete Sessions on this every problem. He agreed...that all of the reasons for maintaining the current paternalistic system are no longer valid...that Native Americans are enslaved by the socialism of the Bureau of Indian Affairs and Indian Health Service systems and that they should be liberated. He opined that the U. S. government should set a date beyond which the current system would cease to exist and give a lump sum payment to each tribal member and a payment to each tribal government to enable them to make the transition to taking responsibility for themselves

individually and collectively. Both he and I know...how strongly the Indians would fight having to shoulder the same responsibilities as their fellow Americans...

Thomas Arrowsmith-Lowe
Ruidoso

A lady remembered

To the editor:
As much as I hate funerals, today (Oct. 27) I attended the ceremony for Mrs. Mary Dell Kelley, one of the finest human beings I have ever met.

Ruidoso has lost one of its kindest, most hard-working residents and this village will never be the same.

Mary Kelley was "mother" and friend to many of us, and we bid farewell in utmost gratitude.

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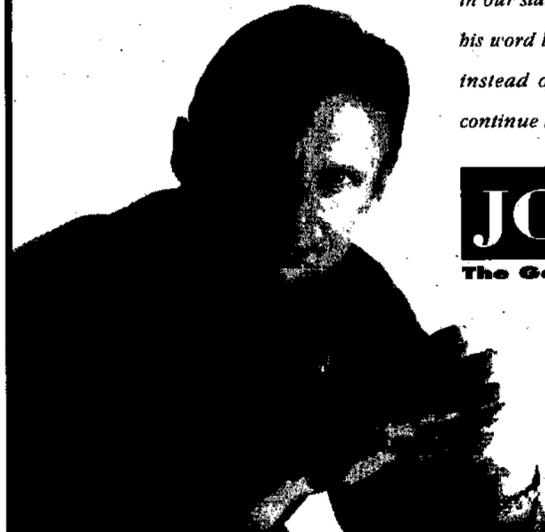
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VILLAGE NEWS

Restrictions on campaign signs

Ruidoso leaders are to consider a proposed ordinance at their Nov. 10 meeting to restrict the placement of campaign signs.

Ruidoso Mayor Robert Donaldson, in initiating discussion about the possible ordinance, said there are more campaign signs in the village now than he has seen in 20 years of living here. The intent of the ordinance would not be to discourage political signs, he said.

"However, we are a tourism-based economy and it's important how the town looks," he said.

Village councilors on Tuesday instructed Village Manager Alan Briley to draft an ordinance that prohibits the placement of signs in public parks and anywhere signs would block motorists' view of traffic.

At Donaldson's recommendation, the draft should not allow political signs to be put out until 45 days before an election, instead the current 60-day rule. The ordinance also would increase the permit fee for putting up signs in the village. Currently, a \$100 deposit is paid by applicants and the money is returned if the signs are removed within 10 days after an election. Donaldson suggested that the fee be increased to \$200, with \$100 to be returned if the signs are picked up.

Applicants also should be required to sign a release form that allows the village to remove any signs that have fallen down or are in disrepair, he said.

Unlike commercial signs, political advertisements have been regulated by election codes rather than the sign ordinance.

gross receipt tax revenues slightly higher than projected, but at 1 percent less than at this time last year, a village official said.

Lorri McKnight, finance officer, told Ruidoso Village Councilors Tuesday 28.8 percent of the year's projected gross receipt tax revenues had been received at the budget's 25-percent mark.

"We've received about \$28,000 less than last year, about 1 percent," McKnight said.

Gross receipt tax revenues, the village's primary source of funding, were inexplicably down for the month of August, village administrators said. Mayor Robert Donaldson said it couldn't be because merchants didn't have good sales that month — he talked to several who said August was profitable, he said.

The reason could be attributed to late reporting by merchants to the state, which then sends the revenues back to the village about 45 days later, village officials said. Also, the numbers may jump back up in September because some businesses report their gross receipts taxes on a quarterly basis, administrators said.

McKnight said revenues from water utility fees are at 27 percent at the end of the first quarter of the fiscal budget year, which begins July 1.

"So, we appear to be on target with that," she said, referring to an increase in water fees this summer and the village's projection of what those fees would bring in revenues.

It was too soon to review revenues from the village's solid waste department, which assumed garbage collection services from the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority at the beginning of this month.

renovate the sewer treatment plant shared by Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs, Ruidoso Village Manager Alan Briley said this week.

Village councilors on Tuesday approved a bid of \$899,000 for planned improvements to the Regional Waste Water Plant. Under a contract with Ruidoso Downs, Ruidoso will pay for 85 percent of the improvements and the Downs will pay the remainder.

Improvements to the plant will include modifications to comply with federal regulations. The work will increase the plant's capacity for treating sewage, reducing the chance that the village will be cited for non-compliance, Briley said.

Winter hours at village hall

The hours of operation changed this week at Ruidoso Village Hall because of shorter winter days, Village Manager Alan Briley said Tuesday.

Instead of being open from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., the hall will be open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Briley said. Drop boxes for utility bills may be used 24 hours a day, he added.

The move to shorter hours is based on a concern for employee safety, Briley said.

Upper Canyon work

U.S. Geological Survey teams will be working in the Upper Canyon around the Rio Ruidoso, Village Manager Alan Briley said this week.

The teams may reroute portions of the river to allow work to be done on the Upper Canyon water treatment plant, Briley said.

"So, if (you see) people on backhoes and with pipes and stuff — that's the U.S. Geological Survey teams," he said.

Police report gang-fight in Carrizozo

Four wounded in Friday night affray; one suspect still at large

BY SANDY SUGGITT
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Four people were wounded in what Carrizozo police are calling a gang-related incident involving two alleged Roswell gang members and one Carrizozo man.

Carrizozo Police Chief Angelo Vega said members of the Southside Gang of Roswell went to Allsup's Convenience Store in Carrizozo in the late hours of Oct. 23 and taunted locals with gang signs.

A local allegedly retaliated by breaking out a window of the 1989 Pontiac Grand Am in which the gang was traveling. He also allegedly assaulted a juvenile inside the car, police reported.

The gang members then reportedly went to the low-income housing project at 601 D Avenue in Carrizozo where an alleged former gang member, Steven Archuleta, 19, of Roswell, was staying with his girlfriend, Vega said.

The gang members apparently started throwing beer bottles at vehicles near the project.

James Guevara, 31, and Sage Dagger, 25, both of Carrizozo were visiting a tenant, heard the noise and went to see what was happening, and the fight erupted, Vega said.

Archuleta's girlfriend, Judy Vega, called the police saying the fight was still in progress. When Carrizozo police officer James Steck arrived, most of the fighting was over, he said, but a female juvenile was unconscious, and three others were injured — one a possible victim of stabbing.

The officer then requested immediate help from the emer-

gency medical service and backup.

Lincoln County Sheriff's deputies Dave Thomas and Herman McArthur responded to his call. Since the Southside Gang members had already fled the scene, Vega said, their main concern was getting the injured people to Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC).

Four people from Carrizozo were injured: Guevara received multiple stab wounds, and Dagger and Bobby Ray, 18, received lacerations and bruises; and the female juvenile suffered blows to the face and lacerations.

All four were transported by ambulance to LCMC, treated, and released later that day, according to Vega and Jule Sterchi, interim administrator at LCMC.

Vega went to Ruidoso and did a follow-up investigation with the injured people, which led the investigation to Roswell.

He sent two officers to the New Mexico State Police Office in Roswell to interview five people stopped on their way to Roswell by the State Police — with backup from the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office — because of their odd behavior. They were then released.

Two of them were subsequently identified by Sgt. Al Pennington, commander of Gang Control and Narcotics in Roswell as members of the Southside Gang.

He and another detective then assisted Carrizozo police in finding the locations of the other suspects involved.

Tuesday, Vega said, they obtained warrants for three gang members and the man

from Carrizozo involved in the incident at Allsup's.

Vega said Assistant District Attorney Scott Klundt approved the charges.

Fabian McGee, 18, of Roswell, identified as a Southside Gang member, was arrested about 2 p.m. Wednesday and charged with aggravated battery with a deadly weapon (Vega said it was suspected to be a knife), aggravated assault, conspiracy to commit aggravated battery, two counts of assault and two counts of battery.

Bond was set by District Judge Karen Parsons at \$80,000, and a stipulation that he must come up with the entire amount (not 10 percent of that amount).

Steven Archuleta, 19, of Roswell, identified as a former Southside Gang member by Pennington, was arrested Thursday afternoon about 1:30 p.m.

He was charged with aggravated battery with a deadly weapon, assault, tampering with evidence, possession of controlled substances, possession of drug paraphernalia, and battery. His bond was set at \$25,000.

Oscar Rubio, 19, of Roswell, identified as a Southside Gang member, is still at large, and is being charged with assault and battery. A bond of \$5,000 cash has been set for Rubio.

Bonafacio Zamora, 20, of Carrizozo, was arrested Tuesday night and bonded out, said Vega. He was charged with assault, criminal damage to property under \$1,000, and bond was set at \$5,000 cash.

"We're a small community and aren't used to this type of attack but we have zero tolerance for unnecessary attacks," Vega said.

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Angelo Vega, Carrizozo chief of police

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BUST: 'It took a lot of time to catch them'

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then became trafficking and possession with the intention of distributing. We had to arrest him. We couldn't let him walk away with the drugs."

Still being sought at the time of publication are two other members of the household, McCarty's sister, Diane Walding, 44, and Henry Padilla, 46, uncle of Reynolds. Hooper said heroin and drug paraphernalia were found in their bedroom as well as in the bedroom of McCarty.

McCarty was charged with trafficking a controlled substance - heroin - and possession of drug paraphernalia. Her bond was set at \$250,000, because, Hooper said, she's had previous convictions relating to controlled substances.

Dion Reynolds, 21, of Capitan, was charged with trafficking of heroin, a second-degree felony, and possession of marijuana. His bond was set at \$100,000.

Padilla and Walding were charged with trafficking of heroin and possession of drug paraphernalia. Their bonds were set at \$100,000 each.

All of the defendants must pay the full bond, not 10 percent, Hooper said.

The maximum sentence for

second-degree felony trafficking is nine years, he said.

"These guys have been doing this for a long time, it just took us a long time to catch them," he said. "It's a very close-knit ring and hard to get into."

"This is a group that's been active for years," said Lincoln County Sheriff Tom Sullivan.

"This is a group that has been active for years."

Tom Sullivan, Lincoln County Sheriff

for at least a year, Hooper said, and nine agents from six agencies collaborated: the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office, the Ruidoso Police Department, New Mexico State Police, the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Otero County Narcotics Unit, and Alamogordo Department of Public Safety.

The task force got a search warrant from Judge William Butts' magistrate court on the basis of a confidential informer. They served the search warrant at 2:15 p.m. on Tuesday, after watching the house since 8 a.m., and they left the house at 5:30 p.m.

Hooper said 6 grams of heroin is a lot for this area.

He said the last heroin bust was 12 years ago, result-

ing in the arrest of Jose Del Rio from Capitan who was dealing with the people involved in the present bust.

In related news, another drug bust, Hooper said, occurred Oct. 12 and was at some camp trailers in Gavilan Canyon. The narcotics unit arrested "the major methamphetamine dealer" in Lincoln, Doña Ana and Otero Counties, he said.

Russell Hammond, 34, from Chaparral, which is just west of the Doña Ana-Otero boundary, was arrested and charged with fourth-degree felony possession of a methamphetamine, possession of a firearm by a felon, possession of drug paraphernalia, and possession of marijuana, less than an ounce. Bond was posted at \$50,000.

Kevin Smith, 32, from Artesia, was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia, and bond was set at \$1,000.

Frank Apadoca was charged with possession of methamphetamine, possession of drug paraphernalia, and possession of marijuana. His bond was set at \$6,500.

Methamphetamine is a central nervous system stimulant, said the undercover agent, and the most popular drug currently. He said it's even in the junior high school here in Ruidoso.

Health fair offers immunizations, tests

Lincoln County residents age 65 and older and others with high health risk have been reminded by the county health department and Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC) that they may receive free immunizations against flu during the sixth annual Community Health/Wellness Fair next week.

Free immunizations including tetanus, Hepatitis A for ages 2-18 and Hepatitis B for 0-18 years also will be given, accord-

ing to Dana Roman of LCMC.

Shots will be given at the Ruidoso Convention Center from 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 5.

Other county locations and times will be on Friday, Nov. 6, as follows:

Lincoln - 10 a.m.-Noon, La Placita (old Carabajal house).

San Patricio - 1-4 p.m., Senior Citizens Center.

Capitan - 9 a.m.-Noon, Old Capitan school gym
Carrizozo - 1-4 p.m.,

School multipurpose room.

Those seeking health screening for blood pressure, glucose and cholesterol may receive them; a minimal charge will be made for glucose/cholesterol tests. Appointments also may be made for prostate and breast/cervical screening. The health department said fasting for tests is not necessary.

Information on family health issues and health services available in the county also will be provided.

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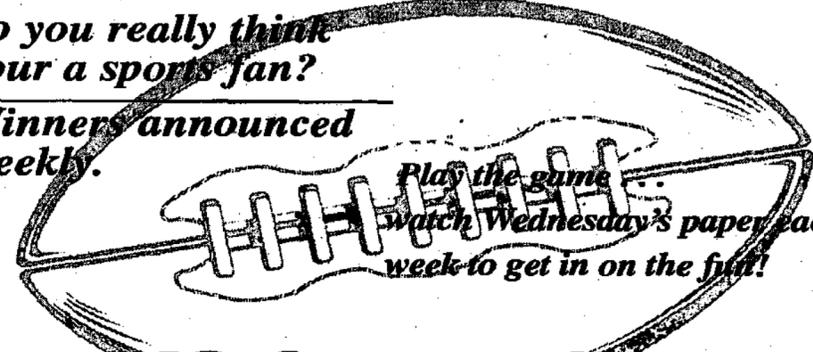
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It's that time of year
The playoffs have arrived

Several Lincoln County teams attempt to keep their seasons alive with the start of playoffs for volleyball districts and six-man football.

In Carrizozo, the Grizzlies, who skated through the regular season District 3A volleyball schedule, host the winner of Corona/Mountainair in the district championship match at 1 p.m. Saturday.

Also Saturday, the Corona Cardinals six-man football team plays in the quarterfinals. The Cardinals, whose victory over Vaughn last week got them into the playoffs, travel to No. 4 Melrose to meet the 5-2 Buffaloes at 2 p.m.

The two teams have met once already this season. Melrose won, 75-20.

In the heat of the battle, some words to live by

About a month ago, I received a Lincoln County Little League Football schedule from league president Rick Riddle. Attached to it was a short write-up about the league's progress thus far, and a list of the "YMCA Spectator Code."

FROM THE BENCH



BY LAURA CLYMER
SPORTS EDITOR

The code is a guideline for parents whose children are participating in the youth football league.

I find the code applicable to all athletic leagues. As our teams - high school in particular - head toward the district playoffs, let's keep in mind these principles:

1. Remember that children play organized sports for their own fun - they are not there to entertain you.
2. Be on your best behavior. Don't use profane language or harass officials, coaches and players.
3. Applaud good plays by your own team and, more important, applaud good plays by the opponent's team.
4. Show respect for your team's opponents - without them there would be no games.
5. Never ridicule or scold a child for making a mistake during competition. When was the last time you were perfect?
6. Condemn the use of violence in all forms.
7. Respect the officials' decisions.
8. Encourage players to always play according to the rules.

The best role models are not professional athletes. The best role models should be the parents and the players and coaches involved in the games.

Our children see and hear our comments. Let's make sure we say what we want them to hear - "Good job," "Nice hustle," "Atta, boy!" "Atta, girl!"

If we abide by those guidelines, then we're all winners - no matter what the final score reads.

And where to practice my preaching, here are some games:

• High school: Portales at Ruidoso, 7 p.m. today at Horton Stadium;
• Little league: Minors - Broncos vs. Capitán, 9 a.m. R.H.S. practice field, Saturday; Majors - Wildcats vs. Lobos, 11 a.m. R.H.S. practice field, Saturday.



Laura Clymer/Ruidoso News
Senior Erica Romero leads a banged-up Ruidoso girls team to districts.

► CROSS COUNTRY

Romero chases fourth district title

BY LAURA CLYMER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Ruidoso's Erica Romero looks to extend her run of titles to four at the District 3AAA Cross Country Meet in Silver City. The meet starts at 3 p.m. today.

"There's a couple of good girls from Cobre who will challenge her, but as always Erica will rise to the challenge," coach Ronny Maskew said. "If I had to depend on somebody, I would just as soon have it in her hands."

Romero has won an unprecedented three straight 3AAA individual titles. The senior Warrior leads the Ruidoso girls squad, which will have to make a Xena-like effort to unseat favored Cobre for the team title.

In the boys race, Ruidoso's Dabert Comanche goes for his second straight individ-

ual title. He'll have to beat Silver's Jonathon Anglin, who beat Comanche by eight seconds earlier this season at the Ruidoso Invitational.

"I think Dabert's ready to go and he's ready to get after it," Maskew said of his top runner.

The Warriors' hopes for the boys team title took a blow when they learned that they'll be running without their No. 3 runner, who is academically ineligible.

"We need three kids to step up - Ben Smith, Josh Romero and Kyle Sparks. Kyle is the one who really has to. He's a senior so he's capable of handling it," Maskew said.

"Everyone from our No. 1 runner to our No. 5 has to move up from where we were the last time we ran against them (Silver)."

Ruidoso edged Silver by six points in the

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The headless blocker rides again



Laura Clymer/Ruidoso News
Just in time for Halloween - it looks as though the Capitan Tiger volleyball team has a 'headless' player among their ranks. Adrianna Scaff, obscured by teammate Lindsey Bush, does strike fear in Capitan's opponents, however, not because she's 'headless' but because the foreign exchange student from Brazil routinely pounds the ball past her foes with as much force as the legendary Headless Horseman of The Legend of Sleepy Hollow fame. Scaff and her Tiger teammates - if they won last night - play in Dexter for the District 6AA title at 6 p.m. Saturday.

Warriors must play with an 'urgency,' head coach says

BY LAURA CLYMER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Ruidoso will get a look at its quarterback of the future - not by design, but by necessity.

Sophomore Todd Schrader takes over for injured senior Corey Saenz when the 6-2 Warriors meet Portales in a 7 p.m. District 4AAA football game today at Horton Stadium.

Saenz, who strained ankle ligaments in Ruidoso's loss to Artesia, won't suit up today, and his teammates face a must-win situation.

"We have to play it now like every game is a playoff game. It doesn't matter who you play, you've got to win. We've got to focus on the urgency that's at hand," Ruidoso coach Les Carter said. "This is a three-game season. If you lose one, you have to win the other two."

The Rams bring 3-5 overall record and a 0-1 district mark to the table. In the preseason district poll, Portales was picked to finish last.

But the No. 3-ranked Warriors aren't overlooking their opponent.

"Everybody has been real down to earth," Carter said Thursday. "We have not prepared for anybody but Portales. We've got a team to play Friday night and we've got to prepare for them."

Non-stop rain forced Ruidoso to move its Tuesday practice inside. Still, the coaches have made sure Schrader and his back-up Frizzell Frizzell have received plenty of repetitions with the first offensive unit.

"We're going to continue to do the things we've been doing all year. We're not going to change our offense. Todd's run it at the junior varsity level all year, plus as a back-up to Corey," Carter said.

The junior varsity War-

riors are 4-3 under Schrader's direction. Ruidoso lost to Alamogordo JV Saturday, but Schrader didn't play because today's start.

"We couldn't take the chance," Carter said of the decision not to let Schrader play last Saturday.

Offensive coordinator John Roberts will adjust his play calling slightly by picking more set plays rather than plays that require the quarterback to read the defense, Carter said.

"Todd sees the defense well. With his height, he stands up and throws the ball well," Carter said.

Portales hasn't shown a lot of blitzing so far, but Carter said he wouldn't be surprised if the Rams send more people when the defense lines up.

"They run a four-man front, a 4-2 type defense and then they'll change it around. I imagine they'll bring some linebackers," he said.

When it comes Saenz's on-field leadership, that void will be filled by other members of the Ruidoso offensive unit.

"Brett has always been a leader, plus our offensive line is very confident with what we they do," Carter said. "One of them even told me that he could block for me."

When the Rams have the ball, they'll run mostly a double wishbone attack that features a lot of sweeps.

"They'll spread out and go some double slots when they throw the ball," Carter said.

But what could be working the most in the Rams' favor can't be drawn up on the chalkboard.

"They're in a situation where they're trying to make their season the best possible,"

See RUIDOSO, page 3B

Tiger gridders attempt to avoid the district's basement

BY LAURA CLYMER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

For the first time in four years, the Capitan Tiger football team's season will end in October.

A 16-14 District 4A loss to Jal last Friday eliminated the Tigers from the playoffs.

"In all of my coaching I've only had two Fridays like this and this is the second one," Tiger coach Ed Davis said. "So I don't handle this too well. It's a sad situation that we're here in the first place."

Capitan, 4-5 overall and 0-2 in districts, faces Hagerman, a team in the same situation.

"You're playing to stay out of last place and for pride," Davis said.

Kick off is 7 p.m. in Hagerman.

Seven turnovers against Jal - including four fumbles inside the Panther 10-yard line - put the Tigers in the position of playing for pride and pride only today.

"That is nothing but mental," Davis said of the turnovers.

Capitan outgained the Panthers, 312 yards rushing to 98 for Jal. The Tigers completed three of four passes for 70 yards.

Jal's only two scores came on long pass plays, and that would be all it needed.

"Those were back breakers. The defense did a good job except for four plays," Davis said.

Capitan scored on big plays of its own: an 87-yard touchdown run by quarterback Justin Joiner and a kick-off return for a touchdown by James Robinson.

But a missed field goal in the second half and turnovers proved fatal to the Tigers.

"The opportunities were there, we were just unable to rise to the occasion," Davis said.

Without the lure of the playoffs, how then will Davis motivate the Tigers?

"You just have to approach it from a mental aspect," Davis said. "Hopefully from this you learn a lesson. You're not going to go out and lay down. You're not going to quit."

Hagerman has quickness to match Capitan's speed. The Bobcats have better size in the trenches as well.

"We've worked all week on trying to figure out what they do best and neutralize it," Davis said.

Hagerman runs a spread offense that tries to run first and then pass.

"It takes a lot of mental preparation to make sure you don't line up wrong defensively," Davis said.

This week

TODAY
Football
 Portales at Ruidoso, 7 p.m.
 Capitán at Hagerman, 7 p.m.
Cross Country
 Ruidoso at District 3AAA Meet, 3 p.m.
 Silver City

Saturday
Football
 Six-man Playoffs - Quarterfinals
 Corona at Melrose, 2 p.m.

Volleyball
 District playoffs
 District 6AA Championship
 Capitán/Tularosa winner at Dexter, 6 p.m.
 District 3A Championship
 Corona/Mountainair winner at Carrizozo, 1 p.m.

Pecking order

A.P. Football Polls

Class	Record	Pts.	Pos.
Class AAA			
1. Artesia (11)	8-0	110	1
2. Lovington	7-1	97	3
3. Ruidoso	6-2	80	2
4. St. Pius	8-1	75	5
5. Raton	7-1	74	4
6. Taos	5-2	53	6
7. Silver	5-3	48	7
8. Moriarty	5-3	33	8
9. Kirtland Central	5-4	17	9
10. Cobre	4-4	5	10
Class A			
1. Fort Sumner (10)	7-2	110	1
2. Escalante	7-1	92	2
3. Lordsburg	5-3	78	4
4. Texico	5-3	78	3
5. Loving	4-4	49	-

Teams receiving points: Reserve (5th) 12, Animas 6, Jal 6, Navajo Prep 6

District Football Standings

4AAA	Dist.	Overall
Artesia	1-0	8-0
Lovington	1-0	7-1
Ruidoso	0-1	6-2
Portales	0-1	3-5
4A	Dist.	Overall
Loving	2-0	4-4
Jal	2-0	3-6
Capitán	0-2	4-5
Hagerman	0-2	4-5

On deck

Cyclo-Cross event Saturday
 Zia Velo Racing Club is hosting the first Cloudcroft Cyclo-Cross bicycle race at 1 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 31, at the Silver, Saddle and Apache campgrounds just off state highway 244, three miles from Cloudcroft. The event is the second in the N.M. Cyclo-Cross Race Series. Cyclo-cross is traditionally an European sport that combines road racing and off-road racing. It requires cyclists to occasionally dismount and run up hills and over obstacles while carrying their bicycles. Races last 25, 45 or 60 minutes depending on the category. No special equipment is required. Mountain bikes are accepted but bar-ends must be removed. For more information, call Outdoor Adventures at (505) 434-1920.

Pecos Valley Roundup
 The 13th annual Pecos Valley Roundup is set for 8 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 7, in Roswell. Events are: 20-kilometer walk, 10-kilometer walk, 10-kilometer run, 2-mile run and 2-mile walk. Start and finish at Roswell city parks and recreation office, 1101 W. Fourth St. Entry fee is \$15 if before Oct. 29. Late registration is \$20. Awards to top finishers and age division winners. For more information, call Bob Edwards at (505) 627-5507.

Golf skills camp Nov. 22-24
 The Savane College All-America Golf Classic will host a skills camp for high school students from 12:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22, at the El Paso Country Club. High school students are eligible for the camp and can sign up at any pro shop in the area. The registration deadline is Friday, Nov. 13.

Former Denver Bronco to speak
 The Ruidoso Chapter of FCA will host guest speaker Randy Rich for a 7 p.m. Nov. 9 speaking engagement in the Ruidoso High School gymnasium. The event is open to the public. Rich, a former member of the Denver Broncos, is general manager of KLYT radio station in Albuquerque.

1998 Roswell Gridiron Gus
 Gridiron Gus, a four-on-four charity flag football tournament, will be in Roswell for two days, Nov. 21 and 22. Team entry deadline is Nov. 7. Coed divisions have been added. For more information and a brochure, call (505) 623-5695, ext. 19.

Fishing report

Fishable waters
 Streams: Ruidoso, Bonito, Honido, Penasco
 Lakes: Alto, Bonito, Lake Mescalero, Grindstone, Eagle Lakes.
 Stream flows predominantly clear except following rains. The Bonito and Eagle creeks will be clearer than the Ruidoso. Exact flows to decrease.
 Fly selection for streams:
 • Sizes 14 to 18
 • Dries - stimulators, elk hair and goddard caddis, blue winged olive, daves hoppers, ants and beetles.
 • Nymphs - pheasant tails, gold ribbed hairs ears, green rock worms, princes, muddler minnows and other streamers. Lake levels will be fairly stable. Alto is full and dingy. Bonito is down six feet and Grindstone is down two feet as well.
 Fly selections for lakes:
 • Sizes 12 to 22
 • Dries - griffiths gnats; black, cream and olive midges; elk hair caddis; adams; mayflies-cream, rust and black and stimulators.
 • Nymphs - large pheasant tails, dark woolly buggers, pistol petes, gold ribbed hairs ears and muddler minnows.
 Best times - Fall fishing is best in the Sacramento Mountains as days shorten, expect mid-day fishing to be excellent.
 Mike Hyman
 Ruidoso River Association

**RUNNERS:
 Warriors chase district laurels**

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team standings of the Ruidoso Invitational Oct. 15. But with fewer teams in the district meet, places carry more weight. The Warriors won't have as much help from a larger field of runners.

The Cobre boys bring an unknown quantity of talent in to the district race. The Indians ran their junior varsity team at the Ruidoso Invitational.

This year's district course is unfamiliar to the Warriors, but should be a surface they like, Maskew said. It starts at a campground in the Gila Mountains and winds on gravel roads and dirt roads and through the woods.

"It's supposed to be raining and cold, which is fine with us," Maskew said. The Warriors left at 7:30 a.m. today for Silver City.

Ruidoso's girls team won't be at 100 percent when it tries to knock off Cobre. Maskew's No. 2 runner, Loni George, has been slowed by a strained calf muscle, and the Warriors' No. 4 runner, Kara Cervantes, is recovering from a sprained ankle.

Of his team's competition, Maskew said, "They've got five, maybe six good girls. And we're



The Warrior boys will need a top performance from senior Kyle Sparks in today's District 3AAA meet in Silver City, said Ruidoso coach Ronny Maskew.

going to have to run well to beat Silver City."

The Warriors should have no trouble qualifying for next week's state meet. The top

three teams from districts and the top 10 individuals earn trips to Gallup. There will be four complete teams at districts.

Grizzlies finish 4-4

BY LAURA CLYMER
 RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Homecoming festivities and a final game with no play-off consequences - two situations that can erode a football team's concentration.

Not so for Carrizozo last Saturday.

The Grizzlies cast aside any distractions from their homecoming celebration and the relative meaninglessness of the game and posted a 60-24 victory over Pine Hill.

The victory evened Carrizozo's record at 4-4 for the season, and gave the Grizzlies their first and only District 1 victory in six-man football.

"I was kind of worried, it being homecoming. They were too relaxed for me. But they came out right away and played," said Carrizozo coach Pat Ventura.

Early on, Pine Hill gave Ventura reason to worry. The visitors scored the first touchdown of the game to take a 6-0 lead.

But on the ensuing kick off, Carrizozo's Ryan Roper tied the score with a return for a touchdown. Roper's point after kick gave the Grizzlies an 8-6 lead they would never squander the rest of the way.

"After that, we just settled down," Ventura said.

Roper led the Grizzlies with 14 carries for 112 yards and a touchdown. He also threw for 110 yards and a TD

on seven-of-12 passing. Simon Beltran added 87 yards rushing on 11 carries and two TDs. Carrizozo's leading receiver was Cameron Douglas who caught three passes for 59 yards and a touchdown.

The victory was a nice way to end the season, said first-year coach Ventura.

"We've got some good fundamentals going and we're working together," said Ventura.

The head football coaching position at Carrizozo has been a revolving door the last four years. The Grizzlies' only senior, Miguel Najjar, played under four different coaches in his high school career.

Ventura has vowed to change that, promising that he'll return next year.

On paper, he has every reason to come back. The Grizzlies return five of six starters, including their two offensive stars in Roper and Beltran.

And the Grizzlies know what they're getting into with Ventura at the helm.

"They know what I expect of them right now," Ventura said.

Ventura has given his Grizzlies a two-week break before starting them on an off-season weight training program.

With his first season as head coach of his alma mater in the books, Ventura said the Grizzlies accomplished many of their goals.

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RUIDOSO: Gridders meet young Rams

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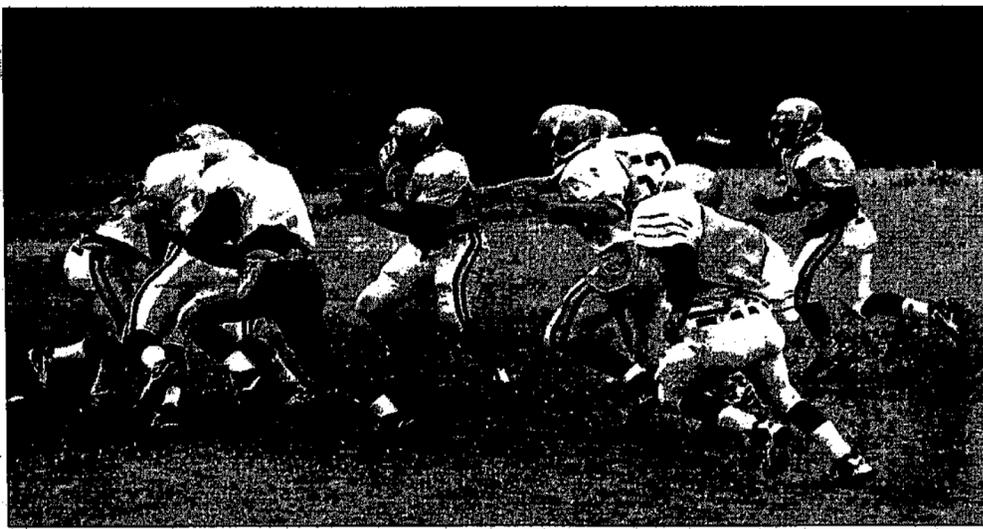
Todd Schrader starts first game

Carter said. Portales probably believes it has a chance to beat the Warriors because Saenz will be on sidelines, said Carter,

adding, "They're strong point is emotion."

OF NOTE: What did Carter have to say about the Artesia game? "We felt like we had the opportunity to win the ball game, and at the time it was pretty disappointing. The kids did a lot of good things. The feeling is that we had a good game plan and that our kids were prepared to play,"

Carter said... The word on Saenz's status is still, "We don't know," Carter said. "He's not even 50 percent now." ... Ruidoso fell only one spot in the Associated Press Class AAA Top 10 football poll after its loss to No. 1 Artesia. The media voted the Warriors No. 3, indicating members must have realized the final score didn't indicate how close the game really was.



An unheralded Ruidoso defensive unit will have to contain Portales' wishbone attack.

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Mountain Top gymnastic teams continue to win

The Ruidoso Mountain Top gymnastics teams have continued their winning ways, most recently capturing the Level V and Level VI titles at the White Sand Invitational in Alamogordo.

The three Mountain Top teams will return competition again Nov. 7 at the Duke City Kachina Invitational.

The Level V team was led by 12-year-old Bethany Barnett who scored a 9.2 on the uneven bars en route to a first-place finish in the all-around. Barnett's all-around score jumped a point from the previous Balloon Fiesta Meet in Albuquerque, where she earned a bronze medal.

In the same division, Jeanette Zagone improved her fourth-place finish to earn the silver medal with a 34.2 all-around score. Ashley Brillante and Lauren Coker finished fifth and sixth, respectively, in the 11- to 12-year-old division. Also competing for the Mountain Tops was Sara Coca.

Thirteen-year-old Cecily Howell dominated her division for the second week in a row. Howell took the gold medal in the all-around at the Alamogordo meet, and also swept all four events plus the all-around at the Balloon Fiesta Invitational. At the Albuquerque meet, Howell scored a near perfect 9.6 on the uneven bars

and a 34.7 for the all-around. Taking the bronze medal in the 9- to 10-year-old division was Mackenzie Mobley. Rebekah Hiedin finished a close fourth. Seven-year-old Ali Ray was fifth in her division.

The Level VI team was led by Sarah Wirth who was first on the balance beam and first in the all-around. Streisand Webb finished fourth in the all-around and first on the uneven bars. Aven Frey took fifth in the all-around with teammate Dara Whitlock winning the floor exercise and taking sixth all-around.

Jaime Wirth captured bronze in the all-around for the Level IV team.

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Downs honors its policemen

Ruidoso Downs Police Chief David Hightower on Monday recognized employees in his department for their service during the Golden Aspen Motorcycle Rally.

Sgt. Dana Terlecky, who submitted the request to award either commendations or certificates of excellence to police department staff, said Thursday there had been an unusually high number of calls for assistance during the rally weekend. Not only were the calls more plentiful, but more difficult as well, he said.

"We had stolen cars; we had attempted suicides; we had domestic situations ... and we had a near-fatal traffic accident and we had a larger number of accidents," Terlecky said, adding that it was the most accidents he had seen in nine years of working the motorcycle rally.

Officers Kenneth Arther, R.J. Olshaskie and F. Grant Lipscomb as well as Fire Chief Nick Herrera were recognized for their work at a domestic call in which a man slit his throat in an effort to commit suicide.

The officers and Herrera administered first aid to the man and restrained a woman at the residence when she began attacking the officers, Hightower said during a presentation of the awards at Monday's Ruidoso Downs Village Council session.

Hightower also received a commendation, presented by Cpl. Chris Condon, for driving a juvenile to an Albuquerque detention facility after working a 12-hour shift.

Certificates of excellence also were awarded to Condon, Officer Todd Cullers; police dispatchers Cyndi Miller, Byron Starnes, Ann Ella Dullea and Lorie Carpenter; as well as temporary dispatchers Amy Aragon, Linda Scroggs and Chaundell Hoy, Terlecky said.

The awards were not a reaction to recent legal actions taken against the police department, Terlecky said.

New police equipment

Ruidoso Downs village trustees this week also approved an outlay of about \$8,100 to outfit four new Dodge Durangos for the village police department.

Police Chief David Hightower told the council \$120,000 had been budgeted for the purchase of the vehicles and about \$8,000 remained of that money. The new purchases only exceed that amount by \$134, which will come out of another department account, he told the council.

Light bars will be purchased from the Law Enforcement Equipment Co., one of three bidders, at a cost of \$1,175. Console units will be purchased from Gall's, also one of three bidders, at a cost of \$599.96. The vehicles will be painted with police insignia by Signs by Smith, a single source bid, at a cost of \$1,400. Cages, or partitions, to be installed in the cars' back seats for the transportation of suspects, will be purchased from Setina Police Vehicle Equipment, also a single source bid, at a cost of \$3,293.52.

Computer upgrades

To prevent a meltdown of data on Jan. 1, 2000, the Downs trustees approved the purchase of \$2,975 in computer upgrades for police department computers.

Because the department uses a particular type of software, only one vendor, Access Data Corporation of Angel Fire, was eligible to submit a bid for the upgrade, village officials said.

The upgrade includes installation and conversion of current data.

The council also approved spending another \$250 with the company to upgrade the computer with the Downs Municipal Court.

More license law changes

Proposed amendments to an ordinance regulating Ruidoso Downs' temporary and seasonal vendors will resurface at least one

more time at council sessions.

The ordinance, in one form or another, has been a regular item on the council's agenda for the past two months. It will be discussed again at the council's Nov. 23 meeting. The Nov. 9 meeting has been canceled, according to village staff.

The ordinance will not be up for a vote until after the Nov. 23 meeting, Village Clerk/Treasurer Leann Weinhbrecht said.

A new round of changes was proposed this week for the ordinance, which sets fee amounts and definitions for vendors. Sean Baker, an attorney representing the village, suggested the council add a clause in which all applications are automatically denied if an applicant does not hear from the village within a specified time. The applicant would be free to submit again, he said.

Baker also pointed out that one section of the ordinance denies an applicant due process and would need to be changed. Past proposed changes would increase the license fee for temporary vendors, who sell items for 72 hours, and would reduce the fee for seasonal vendors, who operate for six months or less.

\$15,000 in lodgers tax

Ruidoso Downs recently doubled its lodgers tax contributions to the Museum of the Horse for advertising expenses — from \$5,000 to \$10,000.

The museum raised its request, said village officials, because the cost of advertising has increased in the five years since the facility first requested lodgers tax revenues.

The council approved another \$5,000 for the museum to off-set costs from the Cowboy Symposium.

Lodgers taxes, which are collected from establishments such as hotels and bed and breakfasts, are to be distributed to events and organizations that increase an area's tourism.

Pressed into service



Mechanical problems with a press unit turned nearly everybody at the Ruidoso News into folding machines this week, and also resulted in a lack of full-color printing in today's paper.

RUIDOSO POLICE

Just doing her job

A census taker called police around 5 p.m. on Oct. 28, and said that while she was going door-to-door doing her census work on Paradise Canyon, she saw a nude man in a yard. She told police that she didn't want to press charges.

Aggravated battery alleged

Ruidoso police reported that they arrested Morris Mitchell, 39, of the Cimarron Apts., W. Highway 70, Ruidoso Downs, outside of Quarters on Sudderth Drive around 1:48 p.m. on Oct. 27 and charged him with aggravated battery against a household member.

The victim, Mary Jane Trujillo, 35, of the same address, called the police from the office of Quarters.

After Mitchell's arrest, she was taken by ambulance to Lincoln County Medical Center, treated, and released to police custody.

today for a warrant out of Rio Rancho.

Mitchell was subsequently charged with two counts of criminal damage to public property for kicking the door panel of a patrol car and later flooding the jail cell. The damage is estimated at \$100.

House on Woodford vandalized

A window was broken in a residence in the 3000 block of Woodford sometime between 9 p.m. Oct. 8 and 2:30 p.m. on Oct. 27, according to police reports.

The reporting party told police he checks on the house "regularly" for the owner, who lives in Arlington, Texas, and that he noticed the locked window was broken at 2:30 p.m. Oct. 27.

He also related that several windows had been broken "a week or so ago." Police searched the residence and noticed a big rock on the ground next to the broken window. Apparently nothing was taken from the residence.

KEEP DISTRICT JUDGE KAREN L. PARSONS

Karen L. Parsons has been serving as your District Court Judge in Otero and Lincoln Counties since March 1997. When Karen was seeking appointment to the bench, many colleagues wrote to the Judicial Selection Committee and the Governor, highly recommending her for appointment. Confidence in her ability to serve was expressed by one of her peers: "I believe (Karen Parsons) would bring decisiveness, fairness, creativity, and a strong intellect to the bench. . . ." That attorney's confidence in Karen Parsons has now been echoed by members of the juries who have served in Judge Parsons' Courtroom:

Pete Coca stated: "Judge Parsons is a very professional judge. I like the way she keeps the Court in order. She keeps the cases moving . . . she's very fair . . . I felt very comfortable in her courtroom. She helped us understand how to look into the case in order to make our decision. I think she's doing a great job."

Wayne Bradley remarked: "I was very impressed with Judge Parsons' gentleness with the jury. When I previously served on juries in Texas, the judges were harsh, even rude, to the jury members. Judge Parsons was unbelievable! She's super great, and she kept everything under control."

According to Marilyn Trotter: "She is very fair to everyone. She is always in control. She seems like a very honest person. It was a very hard trial, but



Judge Karen L. Parsons with her family, husband Neale Williams of twenty years, daughters Shirryn and Rachael.

she was very respectful of the jurors. She's wonderful."

Quoting Dr. James L. Brown: "Judge Parsons is very, very good, and I hope she gets elected. It was a hard trial — a murder trial, but Judge Parsons explains a lot and makes you feel at ease. She's very qualified."

Mark Remington said: "Judge Parsons is very patient. She kept everything under control. She was a pleasure to work with for everybody. She treated the jury very well . . . with total respect and consideration."

Prior to Judge Parsons' appointment, another colleague expressed confidence in Karen's ability to meet the demands of dealing with juvenile offenders. She wrote: "I am confident that any young person appearing before Karen will be treated fairly and with compassion. . . . I believe Karen will make every effort to instill in that young person a sense of self-worth, and she will attempt to give that person hope for the future." Once again, Karen has lived up to those high expectations:

A parent whose child recently appeared before Judge Parsons wrote to Judge Parsons: My child "was in your court on . . . We spent the morning listening to case after case of children that have made the wrong choices that have put themselves in opposition of the law. I've never had quite the experience that I had that morning . . . I am impressed by your compassion and clarity. It was evident that you truly care for these kids and are invested in giving them opportunity to heal their lives . . . As a family educator, much of my life is spent advocating for children. It does my heart good to find others such as yourself, devoted to the well-being of our youth. Thank you for your time, energy and effort."



WE HAVE A GREAT DISTRICT JUDGE (WITH PROVEN JUDICIAL EXPERIENCE) IN KAREN L. PARSONS LET'S KEEP HER BY VOTING THIS NOVEMBER. THANK YOU.

Karen L. Parsons was appointed District Judge by the Governor of the State of New Mexico after being found qualified and recommended by a bi-partisan committee of lawyers, judges and private citizens. She was found by the Committee and Governor to possess:

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- A**bility, knowledge & experience
- R**espect, reliability & responsibility
- S**incerity & compassion
- O**bjectivity & intelligence
- N**oticeable accomplishments; hard working
- S**ecurity, steadiness & trustworthiness

A Lincoln County resident for 38 years, Judge Parsons has 20 years of continuous legal experience.

Judge Karen L. Parsons has gained bi-partisan voter confidence. Constituent Virginia Gonzales Young of Alamogordo, New Mexico (who is not a Republican) speaks out:

"To the people of Otero and Lincoln Counties:

There are many of you who do not know Karen L. Parsons, have never had occasion or opportunity to meet her. She is the current District Judge, Division III, Twelfth Judicial District. Her courtroom is usually at the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, but she has handled Court matters in Ruidoso and Alamogordo.

In the past two years since she was appointed judge, she has handled the job in a very professional and dignified manner. She is fair and will listen fairly and impartially to both sides of the issues at hand. Karen is a person of high moral standards, is hard working, sincere and compassionate. If you have never met Karen L. Parsons, please make it a point to do so. You will see for yourself what a nice person she really is. She is always this way, not only when she is running for office.

We need to keep Karen L. Parsons as District Judge. She is very qualified for this job, and she has proven it. PLEASE VOTE FOR KAREN L. PARSONS!"

A-MESSAGE FROM JUDGE PARSONS:

"It has been my honor to serve as your District Judge. I am committed to provide personal and professional integrity, fair and impartial treatment and a consistently respectful judicial temperament. I ask for your vote and I promise you . . . MORE OF THE SAME!"
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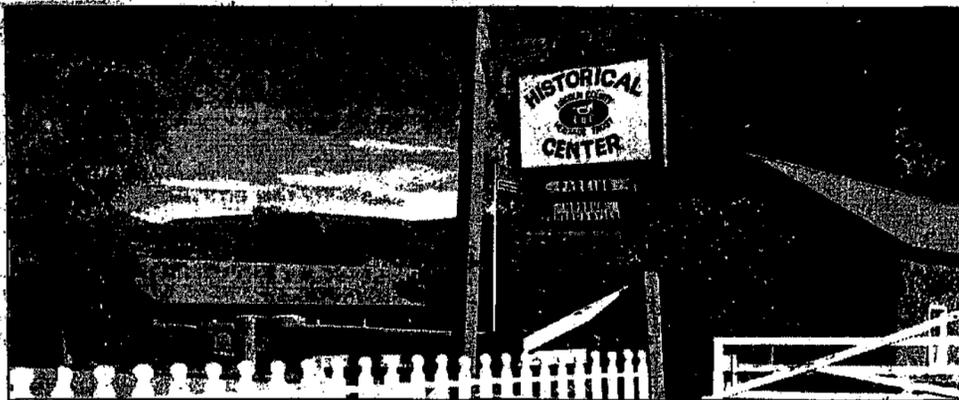
State-operated historical monuments (including Lincoln) remain open despite rumors

SANTA FE - Lincoln and Coronado State Monuments are still open despite rumors to the contrary, says Museum of New Mexico State Monuments staff.

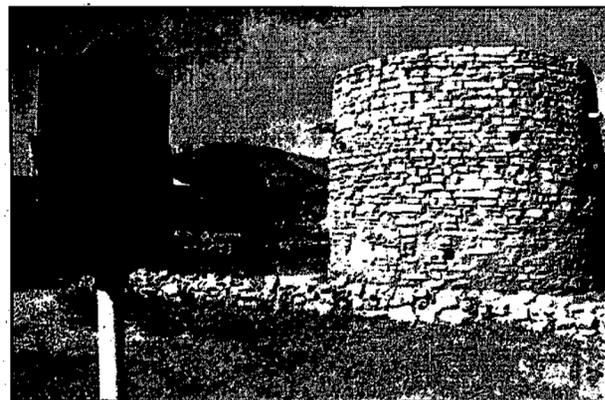
In recent weeks both press and public have been confused by the closure of the former State Parks and Recreation campground immediately next door to Coronado State Monument in Bernalillo, and the closure of certain properties of the now-defunct Lincoln County Heritage Trust in the community of Lincoln.

"Facilities owned and operated by the State Monuments are alive and well at both locations," according to A. Robert Baca, director of State Monuments. "No matter what happens to the Coronado campground or the Lincoln Heritage buildings, the public can still see some sites richest in the history and culture of New Mexico, ancient and more recent. We want to emphasize that it is only the Coronado campground and only the Lincoln Heritage properties that are closed."

Coronado campground, once part of Coronado State Park, was transferred by the Johnson administration to the Museum of New Mexico



The historical museum at Lincoln, operated by the Lincoln County Heritage Trust, is closed, and its future operation remains in doubt.



The Torreón, an early-day defensive building, along with the famous courthouse, is operated by the state and remains open.

in July without funds for staff and maintenance. Operating with volunteer help since the transfer, the museum system closed the campground on Oct. 15. The neighboring monument, however, remains open. At the monument are the ruins of Huaua Pueblo where Coronado camped in 1540 on his way north in search of the fabled "seven cities of gold." The monument is ten

miles north of Albuquerque at exit 242 off Interstate 25, and a mile west on State Road 44.

In Lincoln, the locale of some of Billy the Kid's most daring exploits more than a century ago, the Lincoln State Monument and the Lincoln trust once sold a joint ticket so the public could tour all facilities in the historic town. The State Monument buildings include

the Courthouse, the Torreón, San Juan Church and the Montaño Store, and are open to the public year round. The Tunstall Store, with exhibits on the history and pre-history of Lincoln County, is open April through October.

Holiday schedules at Coronado include a Dec. 18 luminaria tour from 6:30-8:30 p.m. with refreshments, American Indian drum

music and Spanish music.

Christmas Eve at Lincoln will headline a visit from Santa, refreshments and merriment sponsored by the Lincoln State Monument and the Lincoln Fire Department.

Both monuments are open to individuals and group tours 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily throughout the year except Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's and

Easter holidays. There is an admission charge for adults, but admission is free to youth 16 and other.

To schedule group tours or for information about the monuments, interested persons may call Coronado at 800-419-3738 or Lincoln at 800-434-6320.

The Museum of New Mexico is a division of the state Office of Cultural Affairs.

Skeen to honor tourism people here who helped with travel writers' tour last summer

U. S. Rep. Joe Skeen, R-NM, will join tourism officials from Lincoln and Otero counties and New Mexico State University on Nov. 2 to present awards to participants in the 1998 Lincoln-Otero joint "fam" (or familiarization) tour.

The awards will be presented at 2 p.m. in gallery of the Museum of the Horse in Ruidoso Downs. Joining in for presentations will be officials of the Lincoln-Otero Joint

County Tourism Task Force as well as members of the Rural Economic Development Through Tourism (REDTT) Project, which sponsored the tour for three national and regional tourism writers in June.

"We are delighted that Congressman Skeen will ... help us present these awards to the many groups and individuals who helped make this tour such a success," said

Karen Watson, project director.

"A great many people worked very hard and contributed a lot of time and personal resources to make the tour a success for both counties and for REDTT. We believe it's important that we extend our appreciation to them for their efforts."

"And since Congressman Skeen created the REDTT project seven years ago and con-

tinues to secure its funding, we are especially proud to have his participation," she said.

The five-day tour took the travel writers to more than 20 locations throughout communities in Lincoln and Otero counties. The stops included Alamogordo, Cloudfcroft, Sunspot, Mescalero, Ruidoso Downs, Ruidoso, Alto, Lincoln, Capitan, White Oaks, Three Rivers and Tularosa, as well

as a number of other sites along the way, such as White Sands National Monument, Valley of Fires National Recreation Area and the Billy the Kid Scenic Byway.

The Rural Economic Development Through Tourism (REDTT) Project is a program of the New Mexico State University

Cooperative Extension Service. It is funded by a grant from the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

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- LIBERTARIAN PARTY**

**UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVES
REPRESENTANTE DE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS**

DISTRICT 2 - DISTRICTO 2
VOTE FOR ONE - VOTE POR UNO

- JOE R. SKEEN**
REPUBLICAN PARTY - PARTIDO REPUBLICANO
- E. SHIRLEY BACA**
DEMOCRATIC PARTY - PARTICO DEMOCRATICA

**GOVERNOR and LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR
GOBERNADOR y TENENTE GOBERNADOR**

VOTE FOR ONE PAIR - VOTE POR UN PAR

- GARY E. JOHNSON and WALTER D. BRADLEY**
REPUBLICAN PARTY - PARTIDO REPUBLICANO
- MARTIN J. CHAVEZ and DIANE D. DENISH**
DEMOCRATIC PARTY - PARTICO DEMOCRATICA

**SECRETARY OF STATE
SECRETARIO DE ESTADO**

VOTE FOR ONE - VOTE POR UNO

- DIANNA J. DURAN**
REPUBLICAN PARTY - PARTIDO REPUBLICANO
- REBECCA VIGIL-GIRON**
DEMOCRATIC PARTY - PARTICO DEMOCRATICA
- DAMACIO A. LOPEZ**
GREEN PARTY - PATIDO VERDE

**STATE AUDITOR
AUDITOR DE ESTADO**

VOTE FOR ONE - VOTE POR UNO

- DOMINGO P. MARTINEZ**
DEMOCRATIC PARTY - PARTICO DEMOCRATICA
- RICHARD E. HALEY**
GREEN PARTY - PARTIDO VERDE

**STATE TREASURER
TESORERO DE ESTADO**

VOTE FOR ONE - VOTE POR UNO

- LORENZO G. GARCIA**
REPUBLICAN PARTY - PARTIDO REPUBLICANO
- MICHAEL A. MONTOYA**
DEMOCRATIC PARTY - PARTICO DEMOCRATICA

**ATTORNEY GENERAL
PROCURADOR GENERAL**

VOTE FOR ONE - VOTE POR UNO

- DAVID C. IGLESIAS**
REPUBLICAN PARTY - PARTIDO REPUBLICANO
- PATRICIA A. MADRID**
DEMOCRATIC PARTY - PARTICO DEMOCRATICA

**COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS
COMISIONADO DE TIERRAS DE DOMINIO PUBLICA**

VOTE FOR ONE - VOTE POR UNO

- RAY POWELL**
DEMOCRATIC PARTY - PARTICO DEMOCRATICA
- SAMUEL M. HITT**
GREEN PARTY - PARTIDO VERDE
- MAURICE R. McDONALD**
LIBERTARIAN PARTY - PARTIDO LIBERTARIO

**JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT
JUEZ DE LA CORTE SUPREMA**

VOTE FOR ONE - VOTE POR UNO

- ROBERT H. SCOTT**
REPUBLICAN PARTY - PARTIDO REPUBLICANO
- PETRA J. MAES**
DEMOCRATIC PARTY - PARTICO DEMOCRATICA

**STATE REPRESENTATIVES
REPRESENTANTE DE ESTADO**

DISTRICT 56 - DISTRICTO 56
VOTE FOR ONE - VOTE POR UNO

- DUB WILLIAMS**
REPUBLICAN PARTY - PARTIDO REPUBLICANO
- JENI (BEBE) FLORES ALEXANDER**
DEMOCRATIC PARTY - PARTICO DEMOCRATICA

**PUBLIC REGULATION COMMISSIONER
COMISIONADO DE LA COMISION REGULATORIA**

DISTRICT 5 - DISTRICTO 5
VOTE FOR ONE - VOTE POR UNO

- TONY SCHAEFER**
REPUBLICAN PARTY - PARTIDO REPUBLICANO
- JACK L. VALENCIA JR.**
DEMOCRATIC PARTY - PARTICO DEMOCRATICA

(THE FOLLOWING LISTING OF COMMISSION CANDIDATES WILL DEPEND ON WHICH COUNTY DISTRICT YOU RESIDE IN. IF YOU DO NOT RESIDE IN A DISTRICT THAT HAS A COMMISSION SEAT UP FOR A VOTE THE BALLOT WILL MOVE STRAIGHT TO THE COUNTY CLERK RACE.)

**COUNTY COMMISSIONER
COMISIONADO DE CONDADO**

DISTRICT 2 - DISTRICTO 2
VOTE FOR ONE - VOTE POR UNO

- L. RAY NUNLEY**
REPUBLICAN PARTY - PARTIDO REPUBLICANO
- CHARLES BENNICK**
DEMOCRATIC PARTY - PARTICO DEMOCRATICA

**COUNTY COMMISSIONER
COMISIONADO DE CONDADO**

DISTRICT 4 - DISTRICTO 4
VOTE FOR ONE - VOTE POR UNO

- WILLIAM SCHWETTMANN**
REPUBLICAN PARTY - PARTIDO REPUBLICANO
- ROBERT O. GODDARD**
DEMOCRATIC PARTY - PARTICO DEMOCRATICA

**COUNTY COMMISSIONER
COMISIONADO DE CONDADO**

DISTRICT 5 - DISTRICTO 5
VOTE FOR ONE - VOTE POR UNO

- RICK L. SIMPSON**
REPUBLICAN PARTY - PARTIDO REPUBLICANO
- JIMMY McTEIGUE**
DEMOCRATIC PARTY - PARTICO DEMOCRATICA

**COUNTY CLERK
ESCRIBANO DE CONDADO**

VOTE FOR ONE - VOTE POR UNO

- MARTHA MCKNIGHT PROCTOR**
REPUBLICAN PARTY - PARTIDO REPUBLICANO

**COUNTY TREASURER
TESORERO DE CONDADO**

- JOAN E. PARK**
REPUBLICAN PARTY - PARTIDO REPUBLICANO
- KAREN L. MORRIS**
DEMOCRATIC PARTY - PARTICO DEMOCRATICA

**ELECTION OF NON-PARTISAN JUDGES
ELECCION DE JUECES NO PARTIDOS**

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Shall GENE E. FRANCHINI be retained as a Justice of the Supreme Court?

Renedremos a GENE E. FRANCHINI como Juez de la Corte Suprema?

YES/ (SI)
NO/ (NO)

Shall HARRIS L. HARTZ be retained as a Justice of the Supreme Court?

Renedremos a HARRIS L. HARTZ como Juez de la Corte Suprema?

YES/ (SI)
NO/ (NO)

Shall LYNN PICKARD be retained as a Justice of the Supreme Court?

Renedremos a LYNN PICKARD como Juez de la Corte Suprema?

YES/ (SI)
NO/ (NO)

Shall JIM WECHSLER be retained as a Justice of the Supreme Court?

Renedremos a JIM WECHSLER como Juez de la Corte Suprema?

YES/ (SI)
NO/ (NO)

**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT I
ENMIENDA CONSTITUCIONAL I**

Proposing to amend Article 8, Section 1 of the constitution of New Mexico to authorize the legislature to limit increases in valuation of residential property for property taxation purposes.

Propone enmendar la Seccion 1 del Articulo 8 de la Constitucion de Nuevo Mexico con el fin de autorizar a la asamblea legislativa que ponga limites en los aumentos del avaluo de propiedades residenciales para los fines de gravar impuestos sobre a la propiedad inmueble.

FOR (A FAVOR)
AGAINST/ (EN CONTRA)

**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT II
ENMIENDA CONSTITUCIONAL II**

Proposing an amendment to Article 6, Section 32 of the Constitution of New Mexico to add an additional citizen and a magistrate as members of the judicial standards commission.

Propone enmendar la Seccion 32, del Articulo 6 de la Constitucion de Nuevo Mexico con el fin de agregar un ciudadano y un juez magistrado mas a

la comision de normas judiciales.

FOR (A FAVOR)
AGAINST/ (EN CONTRA)

**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT III
ENMIENDA CONSTITUCIONAL III**

Proposing to amend the Constitution of New Mexico to prohibit second-term county officials from holding additional county offices.

Propone enmendar la Constitucion de Nuevo Mexico para que los funcionarios publicos de condado que hayan desempeñado el segundo plazo de su cargo no podran desempeñar cargos publicos adicionales en el Condado.

FOR (A FAVOR)
AGAINST/ (EN CONTRA)

**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT IV
ENMIENDA CONSTITUCIONAL IV**

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of New Mexico to prohibit the expenditure or encumbrance of retirement trust funds, created for public employees and employees of public schools, colleges and universities, for any purpose except for the sole and exclusive benefit of the trust beneficiaries; providing for the administration of the trust funds; affirming certain property rights.

Propone enmendar la Constitucion de Nuevo Mexico con el fin de prohibir que se utilicen y se graven fondos del fideicomiso creado para las pensiones de jubilacion para los empleados publicos y los empleados de las escuelas de las escuelas publicas y los centros docentes publicos y que dichos fondos se utilicen unica y exclusivamente para pagar las pensiones de los beneficiarios del fideicomiso y disponer medidas para administrar los fondos del fideicomiso y afirmar ciertos derechos de propiedad sobre los fondos.

FOR (A FAVOR)
AGAINST/ (EN CONTRA)

**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT V
ENMIENDA CONSTITUCIONAL V**

Proposing to amend Article 8 of the Constitution of New Mexico by adding a new section to provide an exemption from property taxation for property that is owned and occupied by a veteran who has a permanent and total service-connected disability and that has been adapted to the veteran's disability.

Propone enmendar el Articulo 8 de la Constitucion de Nuevo Mexico con el fin de agregar una nueva seccion que diponga que no podran gravarse impuestos sobre la propiedad inmueble que le pertenece y que ocupa el veterano que tenga propiedad inmueble tenga modificaciones e instalaciones contruadas con el fin de acomodar la incapacidad fisica del veterano.

FOR (A FAVOR)
AGAINST/ (EN CONTRA)

**BOND QUESTION A
PROPUESTA DEL BONO A**

The 1998 Capitol Projects General Obligation Bond Act authorizes the issuance and sale of senior citizen facility improvement and equipment bonds. Shall the State of New Mexico be authorized to issue general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed six million three hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$6,320,000) to make capitol expenditures for certain senior citizen facility improvements and equipment projects and provide for a general property tax imposition and levy for the payment of principal of, interest on and expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of the bonds and the collection of the tax as permitted by law?

FOR (A FAVOR)
AGAINST/ (EN CONTRA)

La Ley de Bonos de Fondos Capitales de 1998 autoriza la emision y venta de bonos para financiar las mejoras de los centros de ciudadanos mayores y equipos para los mismos. Deberan los votantes autorizar al Estado de Nuevo Mexico que emita bonos de obligacion general en suma que no exceda seis millones trescientos veinte mil dolares (\$6,320,000) para la erogacion de fondos de capital para ciertas mejoras en los centros de ciudadanos mayores y equipo para los mismos y disponer que, por ley, el estado imponga un impuesto general sobre la propiedad inmueble para pagar el principal, los intereses y gastos contruados en la emision de los bonos y para recaudar el impuesto segun lo permita la ley?

FOR (A FAVOR)
AGAINST/ (EN CONTRA)

**BOND QUESTION B
PROPUESTA DEL BONO B**

The 1998 Capitol Projects General Obligation Bond Act authorizes the issuance and sale of public educational capitol improvements and acquisition bonds. Shall the State of New Mexico be authorized to issue general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed seventy-two million nine hundred forty thousand dollars (\$72,940,000) to make capitol expenditures for certain public educational capitol improvements and acquisitions and provide for a general property tax imposition and levy for the payment of principal of, interest on and expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of the bonds and the collection of the tax as permitted by law?

La Ley de Bonos de Fondos Capitales de 1998 autoriza que el estado emita y venda bonos para mejoras de inmuebles de centros docentes y adquisiciones para los mismos. Deberan los votantes autorizar al Estado de Nuevo Mexico que emita bonos de obligacion general en suma que no exceda setenta y dos millones novecientos cuarenta dolares (\$72,940,000) para recaudar fondos capitales para ciertas mejoras en los centros docentes y adquisiciones para los mismos y

disponer que, por ley, el estado imponga un impuesto para pague el principal, los intereses y gastos contruados en la emision de los bonos y la recaudacion del impuesto segun permita la ley?

FOR (A FAVOR)
AGAINST/ (EN CONTRA)

**BOND QUESTION C
PROPUESTA DEL BONO C**

The 1998 Capitol Projects General Obligation Bond Act authorizes the issuance and sale of land acquisition bonds. Shall the State of New Mexico be authorized to issue general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed six hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$620,000) to make capitol expenditures for acquisition of unique and ecologically significant lands affording habitat to rare, threatened or endangered species, and providing for a general property tax imposition and levy for the payment of principal of, interest on and expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of the bonds and the collection of the tax as permitted by law?

La Ley de Bonos de Fondos Capitales de 1998 autoriza la emision y venta de bonos para financiar la compra de tierras. Deberan los votantes autorizar al Estado de Nuevo Mexico que emita bonos de obligacion general en suma que no exceda seis cientos veinte mil dolares (\$620,000) para la erogacion de fondos de capital para las adquisiciones de tierras de significado especial y ecologico con el fin de proveer habitat para especies raras en peligro y disponer que, por ley, el estado imponga un impuesto general sobre la propiedad inmueble para pagar el principal, los intereses y gastos contruados en la emision de los bonos y para recaudar el impuesto segun lo permita la ley?

FOR (A FAVOR)
AGAINST/ (EN CONTRA)

**BOND QUESTION D
PROPUESTA DEL BONO D**

The 1998 Capitol Projects General Obligation Bond Act authorizes the issuance and sale of El Camino Real international heritage center bonds. Shall the State of New Mexico be authorized to issue general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed one million thirty thousand dollars (\$1,030,000) to make capitol expenditures for the El Camino Real international heritage center, including exhibits and a trail system, to commemorate El Camino Real de Tierra Adentro in Socorro County, and provide for a general property tax imposition and levy for the payment of principal of, interest on and expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of the bonds and the collection of the tax as permitted by law?

La Ley de Bonos de Fondos Capitales de 1998 autoriza la emision y venta de bonos para financiar el centro internacional de la Herencia del Camino Real. Deberan los votantes autorizar al Estado de Nuevo Mexico que emita bonos de obligacion general en suma que no exceda un millon treinta mil dolares (\$1,030,000) para la erogacion de fondos de capital para el centro internacional de la herencia, inclusive exhibiciones y un conjunto de veredas, para conmemorar el Camino Real de Tierra Adentro en el Condado de Socorro y disponer que, por ley, el estado imponga un impuesto general sobre la propiedad inmueble para pagar el principal, los intereses y gastos contruados en la emision de los bonos y para recaudar el impuesto segun lo permita la ley?

FOR (A FAVOR)
AGAINST/ (EN CONTRA)

**BOND QUESTION E
PROPUESTA DEL BONO E**

The 1998 Capitol Projects General Obligation Bond Act authorizes the issuance and sale of radio communications bonds. Shall the State of New Mexico be authorized to issue general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed two million two hundred sixty thousand dollars (\$2,260,000) to make capitol expenditures for conversion of the state's radio communications system to digital services to enhance law enforcement officer safety and effectiveness and provide interconnection for emergency response to natural disasters, and provide for a general property tax imposition and levy for the payment of principal of, interest on and expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of the bonds and the collection of the tax as permitted by law?

La Ley de Bonos de Fondos Capitales de 1998 autoriza la emision y venta de bonos para comunicaciones radiales. Deberan los votantes autorizar al Estado de Nuevo Mexico que emita bonos de obligacion general en suma que no exceda dos millones dos cientos sesenta mil dolares (\$2,260,000) para la erogacion de fondos de capital para convertir el sistema de comunicaciones radiales del estado a servicios digitales para mejorar la seguridad y eficacia d los agentes del orden publico y proveer la interconexion para responder a las emergencias en los casos de catastrofes naturales y disponer que, por ley, el estado imponga un impuesto general sobre la propiedad inmueble para pagar el principal, los intereses y gastos contruados en la emision de los bonos y para recaudar el impuesto segun lo permita la ley?

FOR (A FAVOR)
AGAINST/ (EN CONTRA)

Cutting down on holiday expenses through planning and practice

LAS CRUCES - During the holidays, people express love, friendship and appreciation with gifts. But by trying to put a value on a relationship, some people end up buying gifts they can't afford, said a consumer specialist with New Mexico State University.

"If money is limited, the temptation to use a credit card to purchase gifts is greater," said Susan Wright with

NMSU's Cooperative Extension Service. "Credit Card issuers spend millions of dollars on advertising and special promotions during the holidays, urging more credit card spending to increase credit-card purchases."

Consumers can eliminate overspending and reduce the use of credit cards by following these tips:

- Make a holiday spending

and gift plan at least one or two months in advance. Determine who needs to receive gifts. List possible gifts and the amounts to be spent.

- Set limits for spending on gifts, parties, travel and other holiday activities. Shop throughout the year to take advantage of sales and cut costs.

- Schedule shopping trips to look for gifts, then go home

and think about the available choices. Comparison shop to get the best prices. Schedule a second trip to actually buy the gifts.

- Watch advertising and sales flyers. Specialty food items for parties and holiday dinners can be purchased when on sale and put in the freezer for use at holiday time.

- Consider making gifts for friends and family. Plan craft

days during the year for the family to work on projects that can be given as gifts during the holiday season.

- Agree with family and friends to give major gifts after the holiday. Plan to make purchase during "after holiday" sales. This plan works better for adults than for children.

- Reduce costs of holiday cards, gift wrap and gift boxes.

Use brown paper bags that are colorfully decorated with material from around the house. Wrap gifts in the newspaper comics and tie with colorful yarn instead of expensive ribbon.

Clean up holiday card lists and mail cards to the most important people. Hand deliver cards to relatives and friends who live nearby to cut down on postage.

Fraud: What to look for, what to avoid, and who to call for help

BY SUSAN WRIGHT
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Fraudulent and deceptive schemes come in many forms. Some are subtle and difficult for the consumer to detect.

In less than six months, the New Mexico Attorney General's office helped to resolve over 300 consumer complaints about fraud regarding auto purchases and repairs, home repairs, catalog and telemarketing mail orders, retail sales, false advertisements, billing for goods and services, and credit card use.

Being an alert consumer is the first step in self-defense. Many problems can be avoided by recognizing fraudulent schemes and the tactics that are used to cheat consumers out of their money.

Vacation Schemes

Variations of vacation schemes are common. Vacation certificates of \$69.50 to \$99.50 for various resort areas can be used to receive discounts of up to 50% at hotels such as Marriott, Sheraton, and Hilton. Seven nights in a luxury hotel in Acapulco can cost only \$229. Travel club memberships for \$200 buy a bargain Hawaii trip.

The two main types of travel fraud are vacation certificates and "two for ones." Certificates offer big discounts on hotels and plane fares.

The certificates require a partial fee up front, and the purchaser promises to pay the balance 44 to 60 days before departure.

Postponement of the trip usually follows, with excuses such as the hotel is booked when you want to travel or plane reservations are unavailable on the date requested. By the time the buyer complains to authorities, the company has disappeared.

The "two for ones" also offer unbelievably low prices. To qualify, the buyer must have

a second person along who will pay "full fare." Sellers require a \$200 to \$300 prepayment. Then the buyer discovers that the "full fare" price is two to three times more than normal.

When the promoters will not make a refund, contact your credit card company if you used your credit card. They will usually make refunds for travel that was paid for, but not delivered even if you have already paid the bill.

Telephone Investments

In recent years the Federal Trade Commission has brought suit against numerous telephone investment companies and recovered millions of dollars for consumers. Even so, the FTC estimates Americans lose nearly \$1 billion every year from fraudulent investments.

When you have invested by phone, chances of getting your money back are slim. Even in cases where authorities do recover money, consumers usually get back less than 10 cents on the dollar.

The telephone is the major method of fraudulent investment sales.

Boiler-rooms with high-pressure salespeople make hundreds of calls a day. The con-artists sell gold and other metals, coins, associated securities, oil and gas leases, and cellular telephone licenses.

These operators are hard to prosecute. They move their systems from location to location, change their name, and sell a new product.

Don't risk your hard-earned money in investments sold by strangers over the telephone.

If you need to make a complaint, the following agencies handle various investment frauds: the Federal Trade Commission, the Chief U.S. Postal Inspector, the Commodities Futures Trading Commission, the Securities and Exchange

Commission, the State Attorney General's Office, and the State Securities Commission.

Credit Repair Firms

Some firms promise through newspapers, radio, TV, and direct mail to help people with bad credit records to get credit cards and improve their credit ratings. These firms make claims such as "We can get you a Visa or MasterCard regardless of your credit history" or "If you have a bad credit rating, we will help clean it up." Fees for these services may range from \$100 to \$700.

One of the largest "credit repair" companies in the country had 29 clinic franchises in 13 states and Washington, DC. The Federal Trade Commission filed complaints for false claims against the company and it is now closed.

Overseas Job Placement

Some overseas job placement firms provide a legitimate service. Others are a rip-off. For example, the Federal Trade

Commission has charged one firm with using a fraudulent telemarketing scheme that offered to place customers in overseas jobs.

The firm claimed to match applicants to jobs using a computerized database of openings for fees of \$395 to \$550.

The company advertised in national magazines and newspapers, and used local media, direct mail, and telephone promotions.

Approximately 70,000 customers were bilked out of \$25 million.

Pigeon Drop

The pigeon drop con is a

team effort. The con team establishes a sense of trust in the victim with one member striking up a conversation. The other con-artist interrupts their conversation asking whether money he has just "found" belongs to either of them. When both say "no" the victim and "friend" are asked to "share the money" but must put up an equal amount to insure that they can repay the money in case someone should claim it.

After the victim gets her money, the con artists stage a switch of some sort and disappear with all the money.

An 84 year-old Albuquerque woman lost \$1,600 in a variation of this scheme. Two female con artists convinced the woman they needed her as a witness to their discovery of a large sum of money found in a telephone booth.

The woman was told she would have to put up \$1,600, but would receive a reward of \$1,000 for helping. The con artists disappeared with the money. The victims of this cruel crime are often elderly.

Home Improvements

A phony repair person approaches a homeowner posing as a city official or saying he was referred by a neighbor. He calls attention to a "flaw" or problem in the house that must be repaired immediately.

After being promised quick and efficient repair work at bargain prices, the homeowner is convinced to sign a contract and make a sizeable down payment to "pay for materials."

The repair person may disappear at that point or, shoddy repairs may be done and an exorbitant charge will result when "additional" repairs must be done.

The signed contract may

indicate that the house can be seized if payment is

How to Complain About Fraud

The best way to stop consumer fraud is to complain to the proper authorities. If you think you have been the victim of a fraudulent scheme and need to know the proper regulatory agency to contact, call 1-800-878-1508 or write:

The Consumer Protection Division
Attorney General's Office
P.O. Drawer 1508
Santa Fe, NM 87504

If you have a complaint about a product you bought through the mail, write to the Consumer Protection Office, U.S. Postal Service, Washington, DC 20260.

Avoiding Fraud

There are numerous schemes that are used to separate people from their money. Under the Unfair Trade Practices Act, New Mexico prohibits most deceptive or dishonest business practices aimed at consumers.

The law states "any false or misleading statement, oral or written, visual description or representation of any kind knowingly made in connection with a sale, lease, rental, or loan of goods or services in extension of credit or in collection of debts which deceive or mislead" will

lead to prosecution.

But, con artists still approach victims daily. To protect yourself from being conned, follow these cautions:

1. Before agreeing to any transaction, check with officials—the local police department, Attorney General, Better Business Bureau, or consumer protection offices.

2. Shop around for services or products and compare prices and quality.

3. Do not sign any contract without reading it carefully. If you have questions, consult your lawyer or someone you know and trust.

4. Never do business with someone who appears at your door uninvited.

5. Deal with local firms that are well established and that you can check among your friends and neighbors.

6. Never give your credit card or bank account numbers to anyone over the phone unless you initiate the call.

7. Do not pay for services before you receive and are satisfied with them.

8. Be wary of promises of goods or services at "special" prices, prizes that require a payment or service charge, or "free" offers.

9. Ask for credentials and references of anyone offering goods or services over the phone or door-to-door. Then, check them before doing any business.

10. Remember, when an offer sounds too good to be true, it usually is!

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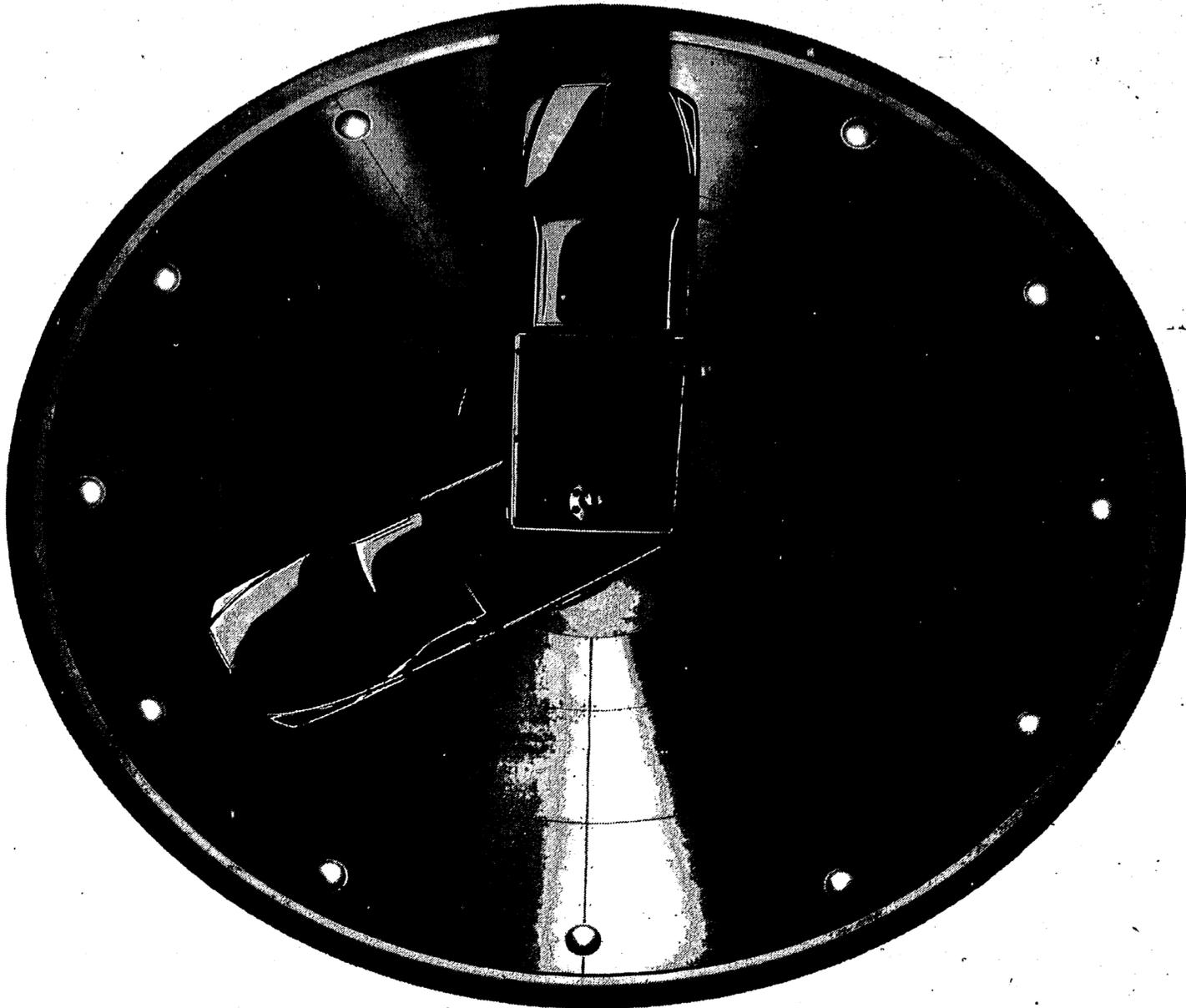
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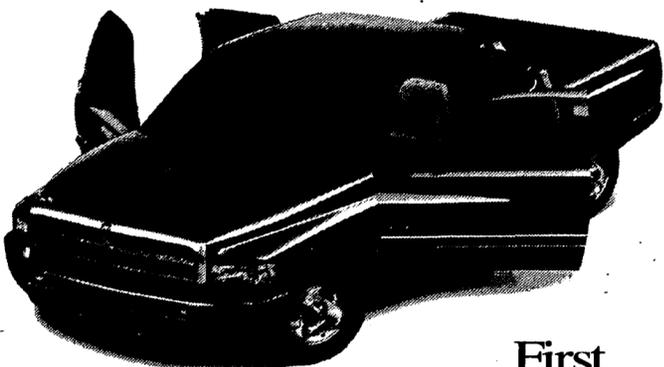
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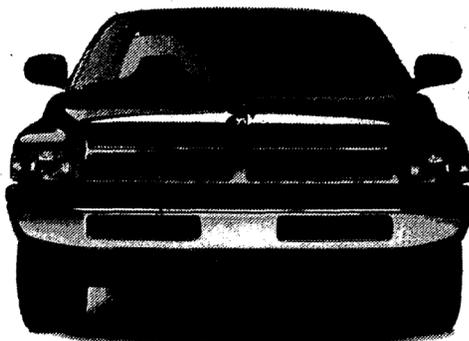


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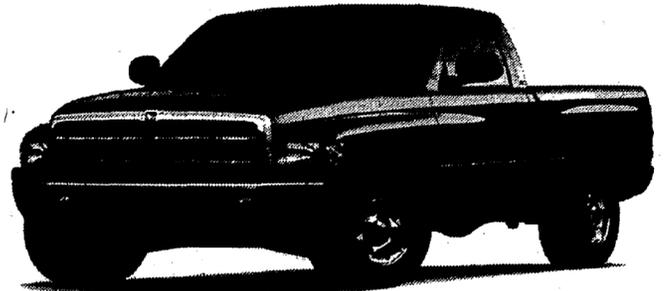
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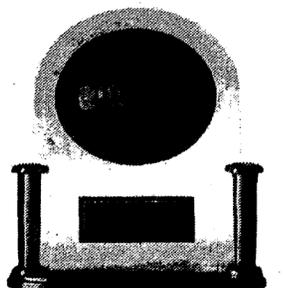


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Laura Clymer

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Hurd-La Rinconada Gallery

Off Hwy. 70 in San Patricio, 653-4331.
Solo show of Michael Hurd's latest works opened Aug. 16. The gallery also includes works by Peter Hurd, Henriette Wyeth Hurd, Andrew Wyeth, 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

346 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.
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. Scheduled to close for the winter Nov. 1.

Lorene & Larry's

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

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.
Through Sunday: "The Cowboy Boot: Soul of the American West." Winter hours: 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, 653-4303.
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, 257-6627
New Orleans artist Jim Leasure specializes in portraits of clients' guardian angels. He also paints angelic themed school and church murals, ceilings and walls of private homes and businesses. His studio is open to the public by appointment.

Spring Canyon Gallery

The Gazebo Place, 2117 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso, 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 Laggs are woodworkers who design and create a variety of functional artworks, including doors, screens and lamps. Located in Nogal at Hwy. 37 and Nogal Canyon Road.

Western Trails Gallery

320 East Smokey Bear Blvd., Capitan 354-4203.
Original western oils, a collection of quality Indian jewelry and artifacts, unique ethnographic and regional crafts. Featured artist is Jei 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.

Eclectic artist returns to Eagle Ranch Gallery

The delightful and eclectic work of Debra Smith Wills returns to the gallery at Eagle Ranch during November. Angels, storytellers, kachina dolls, stoneware plates, wind chimes, ornaments and jewelry are all part of the art and craft creation of Debra Wills.

Daughter of a Baptist preacher, she lived a number of different places, but returned to the Alamogordo area in 1990 to marry her childhood sweetheart, Dick Wills. Her work reflects her Cherokee heritage, her deep roots in her faith, and her whimsical sense of humor.

A self-taught artist, she uses a wide range of mediums. She is perhaps best known for her work in sculpting clay into angels - angels holding newborn babies, sister angels, angels holding bowls of chilies or angels in the forms of cats, rabbits and pigs. Collectors of "Poozart" angels will delight in the expanded line.

She once again has handmade soaps and bath salts that coordinate with handmade soap dishes. The soaps are pure with no chemical additives. She uses goat's milk make the soaps more emollient. The gentle, rich lather releases the essential oils of fragrant flowers. Also new this year are "soaper's bowls," which are for people who like to make soap or just like a lot of soap at the sink.



DEBRA SMITH WILLS

Wooden and mosaic crosses, Mudhead and Koshari figures peeking over the edge of Pueblo wall pockets, masks, Kachina birds, ornaments are just several of the items featured.

Her work can also be seen at Horsefeathers in Tularosa, The Carson House Shop in Taos, The Galeria in Old Mesilla, Southwest Pride in Grants, Southwestern Art in Denver, Southwest Art in Albuquerque and Sagebrush Gifts in Albuquerque.

A reception to meet the artist will be from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 6 at the Eagle Ranch Gallery, 7288 Hwy 54/70. Gallery hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. seven days a week.

Arts in public places meeting set

The Museum of the Horse will host a Nov. 17 New Mexico Arts workshop to assist potential applicants with new funding guidelines and application procedures. NMA will also use this meeting as an opportunity to provide general information regarding the Art In Public Places program. The workshop is set for 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Call 378-4142 for more information, or call Stan Monks for more information at 336-4896.

Program coordinators will lead the workshops and will introduce and explain the new funding categories including general support, community arts development, local arts councils, arts education projects, arts projects, traditional folk arts projects, technical assistance, and partnerships/ art enterprise projects. The new three-year strategic plan will be reviewed and discussed in relation to the new funding guidelines. Copies of both the guidelines and strategic plan will be available at the meeting or by contacting NMA.

The new executive director,

Margaret Brommelsiek, and/or assistant director Patricia Garcia Salazar will be in attendance to discuss the new strategic plan which resulted from state-wide constituent feedback.

Garcia Salazar was appointed assistant director in August. She came to NMA in January as the manager of Art in Public Places.

NMA is the arts agency for the state of New Mexico under the Division of Cultural Affairs. NMA distributes funds to arts organizations who produce programming that reaches into every corner of the state. NMA also runs an Art in Public Places program which commissions and purchases artworks for public buildings from 1 percent of state capital expenditures and partners with the New Mexico State Highway and Transportation Department to place landmark artworks along Route 66 and El Camino Real. A representative from the AIPP program will be available to provide general information prior to, during and after each workshop.

The Arts

Swinging is back

story by Meredith Keeton
VAMANOS STAFF WRITER



With its dazzling lifts and athletic moves, swing dance has found a new audience in members of the younger generation and a revival from its reminiscing Post World War II participants.

This isn't a ballroom waltz - this is the jitterbug, the east coast swing and the west coast swing, and all feature quick steps, spins, throws and lifts.

Among the many offerings of ENMU Ruidoso are dance classes taught by instructors with numerous years of experience in cutting the rug. Monday's All Class Social (dance presentation and mixer) at Nob Hill School drew about 50 dancers and visitors.

On a national level, the "swing movement" of the past year has spawned numerous clubs across the country - I'm sure the Gap "Khakis Swing" ad campaign has helped. These clubs have brought dance to a new generation and sparked a renewed interest in learning to dance with a part-

ner (something that seemed lost in the '70s and '80s). Dance has always been a form of personal expression and social interaction. In recent years, social dance has made a comeback as recreation and exercise meet for footloose entertainment.

I have to admit that the moves in the Gap commercials looked daunting, yet were enough of a catalyst to convince me to at least take a class. Overcoming my fear and convincing a friend to take a session offered during the summer, we enrolled in Swing I. After the first class I was hooked, as were most people in my class. Aside from having a great time learning to do the swing, it became somewhat of a social gathering for the group of us.

Dancing with a partner, something to which my know-how was isolated to the ballroom waltz for me, is challenging and fun. Classes are entertaining, unpressured and small with lots of personal instruction. When my partner and I had completed swing II we moved on to jitterbug, being promised even faster foot action. We have completed level three and hope to continue.

ENMU classes, taught by Carol Ann Clark, Karen Laine and Ubaldo Armenta, offer residents a chance to get out, meet new people and improve their skills with classes in jit-

terbug, tango, east coast swing, mambo, salsa, cha cha, fox-trot, waltz and rumba.

The classes run in four week sessions, with three weeks of instruction followed by a party for all the classes on the fourth week. Couples and singles of all ages can start with the level one course in their preferred dance and move up to level eight. Dancers can expect a relaxed environment and small classes.



Currently, most of the classes are on level three, but mambo one, salsa one and cha cha one are being offered for the November 2 through 23 session. Classes are held in the Nob Hill Early Childhood Center cafeteria, mambo from 6 to 7 p.m., salsa from 7 to 8 p.m., and cha cha from 8 to 9 p.m. on Monday nights. The fee for each four week session is \$20 per dancer.

For more information or to register, call ENMU at 257-2120 or stop by the office at 709 Mechem in the Sierra Mall.

Foot stompin' fun

Never has there been as much hootin', hollerin' and stompin' of feet at the Spencer Theater as when the House of Blues Highway 61 Tour did its thing and what a thing it was. Lovers of blues feasted on the twang of John Hammond's National guitar, the exquisite harmonies of the Blind Boys from Alabama, Chicago's original Billy Boy Arnold and Booker T. Jones.

John Hammond, the opening act, has been around for a long time, close to 30 years now, and he is a troubadour. He tours constantly, plying his wares which include just three instruments - a steel guitar, an acoustic guitar and a harmonica. He pounds and strokes his guitar in those pulsating blues rhythms and sings for all he is worth. At the conclusion of his performance Hammond brought out Billy Boy Arnold.

Billy Boy Arnold is a Chicago original and grew up with and around some of the very greatest blues singers and performers in the country. But, to be honest, I didn't much care for Arnold's work. Perhaps because it was too repetitive and because he swallowed the microphone. I barely understood what he was singing and that's a shame because blues always tells a story.

Before I get jumped on by every blues lover who reads this review, I will defend my position by saying that I know blues is not only words of lament, regret, sadness and that blue's blue thing that happens to us all, but is also deeply rooted in its rhythm. It saunters. It walks. It strolls. Arnold's performance did that very well but to me it just wasn't very exciting. But Arnold *did* introduce the next act The Blind Boys of Alabama. They are what I call exciting.

The original "Boys" met and learned music at Talladega Institute for the Blind in Alabama. They began their illustrious career in 1939 but it took nine years before their first album was recorded. Since 1948 they have topped out the Gospel charts several times. Clarence Fountain is the founder of the group and he sings lead.

Younger, sighted singers who guide the other two singers about the stage have since replaced two of the original group.

Before going any further I have to say that the Blind Boys of Alabama was, for me, the best act of the night. The best harmonies I have ever heard and the most audience-rousing troupe to come along in a long long time. The deep, resonant bass, as is so typical of gospel groups, would slide slowly down to his contra bass register and we would wait, like an anxious bride on her honeymoon night, for the conclusion of the phrase. The audience erupted in screams and shouts and whistles each time that deep note was reached.

With material steeped in early African American spirituals, more traditional spirituals made popular over the years and the influence of the Mississippi Delta turned the Spencer Theater, for a small moment in time, into the Spiritual Gospel Revival Hall of Ruidoso. Led into the audience by the bass player the diminutive tenor traveled up the aisle, across the hall to the other side and back down to the stage. His powerful voice and excitement for what he was doing brought us to our feet.

After the intermission, Booker T. Jones, on keyboards, took command of the stage. Booker T. (and the MGs. Remember?) is an amazing musician in that he plays several instruments very well, sings, is a prolific writer and has produced dozens of blues, pop and even country artists' recordings. He has worked with the top R&B and rock/pop musicians as either a musician on their recordings or as a producer of them. For us he played several of his most well known pieces. After all who could forget "Cruisin'" or "Groovin'" or "Hang 'Em High"?

During a concert I will often single out, for my attention, a musician to watch and listen to. During the House of Blues concert I singled out Ndugu Chancler, the incredible drummer in the Booker T. Jones Band. Chancler was on stage the entire evening. Because the drummer is so critical to a group Chancler let me in on his amazing talent. His drums sang. So did Chancler, just because he was into the music and he played with a visible love for what he was doing.

He was great!



Joel B. Carothers
IN REVIEW
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Writer's group offers workshop

The Southwest Writers Workshop will present a two-day workshop from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 7 and 8, at the Albuquerque Marriott Hotel. The workshop features Kristine Kathryn Rusch and Dean Wesley Smith, both multi-published authors.

Workshop topics include: the structural elements needed in commercially successful fiction, when and how to get an agent, the language of advances, insights into the publishing world and tips about

copyright.

Continental breakfast and lunch are included in the price of admission. Cost is \$150 for SWW members and \$175 for non-members. One-day packages are available at \$80 and \$100.

Both Rusch and Smith have more than 30 novels each to their credit. They have been nominated for every major science fiction and fantasy field award.

For more information about the workshops, call SWW at (505) 293-0303.

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

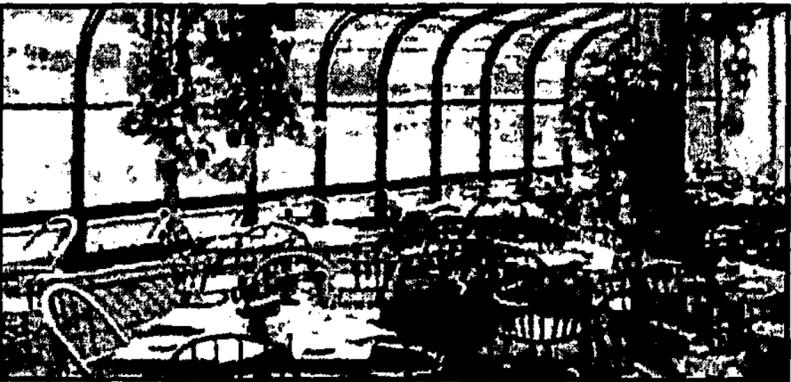
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Hours: Breakfast: 7 a.m. - 11 a.m.
 Lunch: 12 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
 Dinner: 5 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.



Apache Tee Cafe

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

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



The InnCredible

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

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



K Bob's Steak House

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

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



Cafe Mescalero

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

Price Range: \$\$
Phone: 257-6693
Address: One mile south of the Inn of the Mountain Gods, Carrizo Canyon Road, Mescalero
Hours: Open 7 days a week
 Lunch 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
 Dinner 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.



Dan Li Ka Dining Room

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

Price Range: \$\$-\$\$\$
Phone: 257-5141
Address: Inn of the Mountain Gods, Carrizo Canyon Road, Mescalero
Hours: Breakfast: Mon. - Sat. 7-11 a.m.
 Sun. Breakfast: 7-9:30 a.m.
 Sun. Brunch: 11 a.m.-3 p.m.
 Lunch: Mon. - Sat. 11 a.m.-3 p.m.
 Dinner: 6-10 p.m.

Cattle Baron

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

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



Farley's Food Fun & Pub

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

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



Texas Club Grill & Bar

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

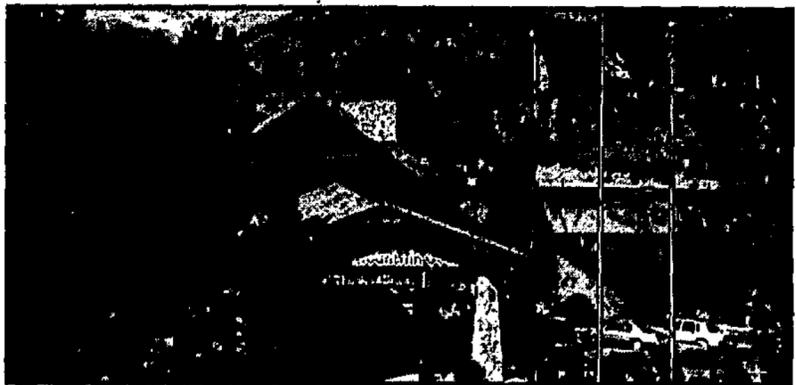
Price Range: \$-\$\$
Phone: 258-3325
Address: 212 Metz Dr., in Innsbrook
Village, Ruidoso
Hours: Lunch 11:30 a.m.-5 p.m.,
Dinner 5-10 p.m.,
Closed Monday



Top of the Inn Deli & Pizza Parlor

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

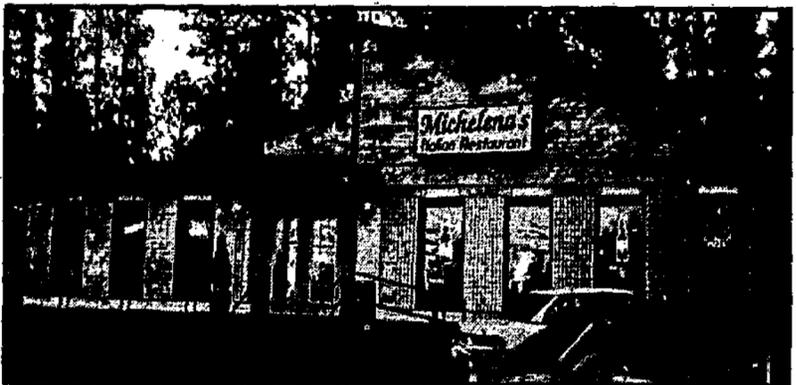
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Address: Inn of the Mountain
Gods, Carrizo Canyon Road,
Mescalero
Hours: 12 noon-9 p.m. Sun.—Thurs.
12 noon-11 p.m. Fri. and Sat.



Michelena's Italian Restaurant

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

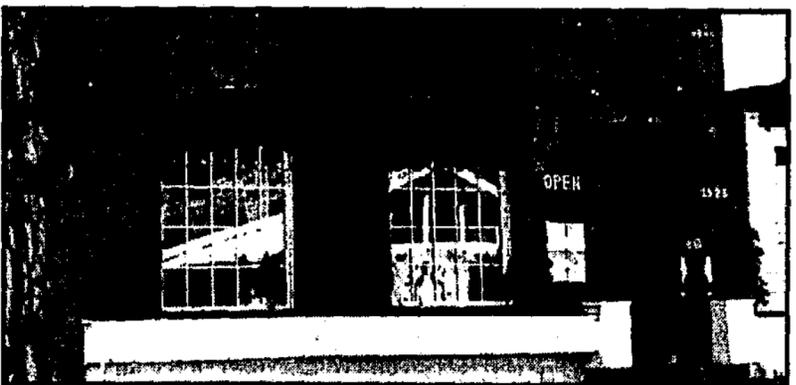
Price Range: \$-\$\$
Phone: 257-5753
Address: 2703 Sudderth Dr. - Midtown
Hours: Open 11:00 a.m.



La Lorraine

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

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



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

dining
&
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GOING OUT



VAMONOS!

music

Spooky happenings around town

where to go for adult tricks and treats

story by Sandy Suggitt
VAMONOS STAFF WRITER



Hark ye ghouls and ghosts, witches, specters, wraiths and apparitions, flappers, nuns and presidents, phantasms, rabbits and broccoli plants:

Halloween is this Saturday night, so slip into something exciting and take a look around town.

Bob McNamara of Farley's said his whole staff will be in costume, and they're all excited about Farley's fourth Halloween party.

"It's a hot spot to go to, we have a great turn-out, enthusiastic guests and about 90 percent show up in costume," he said.

The following public houses, watering holes, taverns, saloons, nightclubs, eateries and eating houses will have Halloween costume parties, contests and prizes Saturday night:

- Casino Apache - costume contest at 9 p.m. (no masks or full-faced grease paint, but moustache-nose-glasses are OK). First prize: a TV-VCR combination; registration for

additional prizes starts at 6 p.m. and the drawings begin at 7 p.m.; blackjack tournament begins at 1 p.m. (\$100 buy-in). Music: Al Munoz Mariachi Trio.

- Mescalero Nightclub - costume party, all kinds of DJ music

- Farley's Food Fun & Pub 258-5676 - costume contest, judging at 10 p.m., giveaways, cheap drinks and funky clothes.

- Quarters - costume contest, judging at midnight; drink specials, giveaways at 8 p.m. Music: No Excuse (rock'n roll), Wednesday through Sunday.

- Texas Club - costume prize, best men's and best women's costume prizes. Music: Tommy Martin (country).

- Win Place & Show - costume contest, judging at 11 p.m.; drink specials, giveaways. Music: Larry Hamilton Band (country/western).

Win, Place & Show

The Larry Hamilton Band plays nightly at WPS, 2516 Sudderth Dr.

The Quarters

No Excuse plays through Sunday. Karaoke on Mondays and Tuesdays at 2535 Sudderth Dr.

Bentleys

Live music Tuesday through Thursday. Bring your instrument and join the jam at 1133 Mechem.

Cree Meadows Country Club

Live music every night: piano from 5 p.m.-7 p.m., dancing Wednesday through Saturday, 7 p.m.-11 p.m.

The Texas House

Live entertainment Fridays and Saturdays. Open from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Thursdays through Tuesdays. Closed Wednesday.

Galloping Tortoise

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

performances

Glen Campbell

Glen Campbell has two performances scheduled for 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 7, at the Spencer Theater. Tickets available for 3 p.m. performance (8 p.m., waiting list). Call 336-4800 for ticket availability and information.

Mark O'Connor

Violin prodigy Mark O'Connor performs at 8 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 14. O'Connor claims fans from nearly every musical genre - classical, country, jazz, bluegrass and Celtic. Tickets still available: \$12, \$20 and \$25. Call 336-4800 for more information.

Phantom of the Opera -CANCELLED

The Spencer Theater has cancelled its scheduled Halloween showing of the 1925 classic silent film, "The Phantom of the Opera," starring Lon Chaney.

what's brewing

Where to go for your cup of joe!

The Ruidoso Roastery, 113 Rio Street, 257-3676

A good assortment of fresh roasted coffees and all the basic espresso drinks plus bagels and pastries. Open Monday through Thursday 7 to 5, Friday 7 to 9 and Saturday 8 to 9.

The Galloping Tortoise, 662 Sudderth, 257-2511

Basic espresso drinks, homemade desserts, deli sandwiches and live music jams featuring local artists.



WILLIAM GRAHAM, portraying Cole Porter, will have two shows in the area. The first will be Nov. 6 at the Flickinger Center in Alamogordo and the second will be No. 2 in the Ruidoso Community Concert Association on Nov. 10 at the First Christian Church, Hull and Gavilan roads.

Best of Broadway brought to life

Audiences in the area will have two opportunities to see longtime performer William Graham.

First, the Flickinger Center for Performing Arts in Alamogordo will present Graham in "Tin Pan Alley to Broadway" at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 6. Graham returns to the Flickinger Center's stage for the second time. Two years ago he brought Cole Porter "alive" to the delight of his audience.

If that date doesn't work or fans want

See GRAHAM page 9C

Country crooner



Courtesy photo

GLEN CAMPBELL will perform two concerts, at 3 p.m. and 8 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 7, at the Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts. Tickets are still available for the 3 p.m. show. (There is a waiting list for the 8 p.m. show.) Campbell has 40 years of country hits, such as "Gentle on My Mind," in his repertoire. Call 336-4800 for ticket availability. Tickets cost \$10, \$15 and \$20 for the 3 p.m. show.

Las Cruces hosts Renaissance fair

The 27th Annual Renaissance Craftfaire, sponsored by the Dona Ana Arts Council, will be Nov. 7 and 8 at Young Park in Las Cruces. Young Park will transform into the realm of a Renaissance atmosphere.

One hundred and sixty-five artisans from New Mexico, Arizona, Texas, California, Colorado, Oklahoma and various other states will sell handcrafted items including stained glass, pottery, photography, leather goods, jewelry, painting, textiles and wood.

In addition to the artists' booths, the two-day festival featured on-going entertainment at two different entertainment areas, royal processions, The Holy Grail Society, a large area with children's activities and fantastic food booths.

Magellan, the faire's specially created dragon, will float on Young Park Lake. There will be canoe rides, provided by a local Boy Scout Troop, around the dragon's lake. Ratcatcher Robert will be a featured attraction to the faire, providing medieval history of "rats" and demonstrating a unique creation, the "Ratapult."

Many sounds of music will fill the park throughout the weekend. Danu, a Celtic duo, will entertain in the park and at the Royal Hall. Runa Pacha, Andean musicians,

will share the history and sounds of their music during the day. Celtic/Renaissance guitarist Richard Searles will perform at his booth, and fairegoers will have the opportunity to purchase tapes and CDs. Harp music will be performed by Santa Fe artists Luscious Music and Inlakesh, a duo playing the ancient didgeridoo, will perform on the main stage as well as at the Royal Hall.

Gate admission is a suggested donation of \$3 for adults. Children under 3 are admitted free. All proceeds from the faire are earmarked for the Dona Ana Arts Council's Youth-At-Risk programs, special programming in Las Cruces schools and cultural activities in the community. For health and safety reasons, fairegoers are advised that no pets will be admitted.

Young Park is one block of the intersection of Lohman and Walnut Avenues and is accessible from I-25 (Lohman exit) and I-10 (Amador exit).

To avoid parking congestion, fairegoers are encouraged to ride the free shuttle from the NMSU Advanced Manufacturing Center (2345 E. Nevada Street) to and from the park. The shuttle will run every 10 to 15 minutes. Additional faire information may be obtained from the Dona Ana Arts Council, 523-6403.

VIDEORAMA

Showtime Video's October and November new video releases

October 27
Lion King 2
Big Hit
Opposite of Sex

November 3
Godzilla
Boogie Boy
Les Miserables
First 9 1/2 Weeks

November 10
Horse Whisperer
Armageddon
Small Soldiers
Dead End
Colony

November 17
Can't Hardly Wait
Dirty Work
Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas
Hurricane Streets
Johnny Skidmarks

Top Rentals for Oct. 23-Oct. 30

Hope Floats
Lost in Space
Black Dog
Odd Couple II
Deep Impact
Lion King 2
U. S. Marshals
X Files
Wild Things
City of Angels

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

SILVERSCREEN

Graham performs favorites

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something closer to home, Graham will perform as the second show in the Ruidoso Community Concert Association series. The show is set for 7 p.m. Nov. 10 at the First Christian Church. Call 336-4015 for more information.

In "Tin Pan Alley to Broadway," he will sing many of his great songs of the 1920s, 30s and 40s. Anecdotes about the songs and songwriters will be interspersed with his singing, giving the performance historical substance. Many of the stories come from his personal experiences performing on national radio programs with Bob Hope, Ginny Sims and Curt Massy.

Graham spent time during the Big Band era touring with some of the better known groups where he

picked up some stories. The show is built on his personal perspective of the era, making it an intimate portrayal.

The audience will be treated with standards from the Golden Age of American Popular Music. A typical show includes songs such as Porter's "Night and Day," Lerner and Lowe's "Gigi," Jerome Kern's "Smoke Gets In Your Eyes," Gordon Jenkin's "This Is All I Ask," with other favorites by Irving Berlin, Rodgers and Hart, Johnny Mercer, Hoagy Carmichael and others.

Tickets for the show are \$10 for adults, \$7 for children 12 and under. They may be purchased in advance at the Flickinger Center or at Outdoor Recreation at HAFB or at the door the night of the event. Call 437-2202 for more information.

Here's what is showing at Sierra Cinema For more information call 257-9444. * Indicates show times for Friday, Saturday and Sunday only.

Simon Birch
Rated: PG

Show times: 12:15 p.m.*, 4 p.m., 6:45 p.m., 9:05 p.m.*

Plot: Simon Birch (Ian Michael Smith) was the smallest delivery ever recorded in the history of Gravestown Memorial Hospital. The doctors proclaimed Simon a miracle and ever since, he's been quick to remind anyone who forgets. Simon is certain he's going to be a hero ... he's just not sure how. In the meantime, he argues about faith with his tyrannical Sunday school teacher (Jan Hooks) and by-the-book priest (David Strathairn), rides sidecar on a bike of his best friend (Joseph Mazzello), and plays lazy afternoon baseball games (with the advantage of having the tiniest strike zone in the league.) But fate takes an unexpected turn when Simon gets his first hit: a high foul ball with tragic conse-

quences. From then, the destinies of the two boys become linked as both try to find the one thing they're missing. For Joe, it's the identity of his father. For Simon, it's the special purpose God has in mind that only a small miracle like himself can fulfill.

Practical Magic
Rated: PG-13

Show Times: Noon*, 2:15 p.m.*, 4:35 p.m., 7 p.m., 9:20 p.m.*

Plot: Sally (Sandra Bullock) and Gillian (Nicole Kidman) Owens have always known they were different. Raised by their aunts after their parents' deaths, the sisters grew up in a household that was anything but typical - rules were for other people. The little girls ate chocolate cake for breakfast, stayed up late and studied spell books, practicing the ancient arts of white magic that had been handed down through their family from generation to generation. Attempting to pass on the unique and powerful psychic heritage of the Owens women, Aunt Jet (Dianne Wiest) and Aunt Frances

(Stockard Channing) hope to give their nieces the strength that comes from the use of practical magic. But the invocation of the Owens' sorcery also carries a price - some call it a curse: the men they fall in love with are doomed to an untimely death.

A Night at the Roxbury
Rated: PG-13

Show times: 12:30 p.m.*, 2:45 p.m.*, 4:45 p.m., 7:15 p.m., 9:15 p.m.*

Plot: It may have taken the Butabi Brothers seven years to graduate high school, but by now they've realized there's more to life than working in their father's silk plant store. Their goal is to get into LA's No. 1 night spot - the elegant Roxbury Club - and become movers and shakers in today's happening night club scene. Steve (Will Ferrell) and Doug (Chris Keaton) are determined to prove that for the first time in their lives they are really worth something. They set out to prove their manhood by going through the ultimate rite of passage, getting into the A-club.



The Story of Luke Short



Drew Gamber
LINCOLN HERITAGE
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Luke arrived in Dodge City shortly before the departure of two of its most famous lawmen: Wyatt Earp and Bat Masterson, both of whom quickly became friendly with the diminutive gambler.



LUKE SHORT

Other than the time and general region, we aren't really even sure where he was born. He was short in stature, reflecting his name, but he was not a man with whom to tangle, a fact that several of his fellow gamblers were destined to find out the hard way.

Luke Short was born in 1854 either in Mississippi or Arkansas, depending upon what version you choose to believe. One of 10 children, Luke was 2 when his family relocated to Grayson County, Texas. His education, at least as far as books were concerned, was

almost non-existent. He did, however, excel in the other forms of education available in Texas at the time. Namely, riding and shooting.

In 1876, young Luke left home to go and make his fortune. His first choice of business ventures was an illegal one: selling bootleg whiskey to the Native Americans in the Dakota Territory. It was a popular occupation for the less-than-scrupulous at the time, primarily because the booze could be disposed of at rates approximately five times more than the white man was paying.

Busted

But, as stated above, it was illegal. When representatives of the Department of the Interior became aware of Luke and his partner's scheme, they immediately arrested Short. His partner, who was never identified, had vanished shortly before the arrest - which was a lucky thing for Luke because this same mysterious character just "happened" to be in Sidney, Nebraska when Luke and the arresting officers were passing through the town. Somehow, the fellow communicated with the manacled Short, and the two managed to release Luke on his own recognizance.

After that, Luke became obscured by the mists of time for several years. There are theories as to what he was doing and where he was, but none have ever been verified. He may have been busy shooting people in Leadville, Colorado; he may have been scouting for the army, hunting for Dull Knife's Cheyenne; or he may well have been doing something entirely different. At least one writer has asserted that Short and a man named Brown quarreled "bitterly" over a gambling debt in Leadville. The argument ended with Short shooting Brown (apparently not fatally) in the face. This may or may not be true, as documentation is lacking.

Chances are he was simply traveling and gambling because in 1881 he showed up in Dodge City and by that time, he was already an experienced "Knight of the Green Cloth."

Influential Friends

Luke arrived in Dodge City shortly before the departure of two of its most famous lawmen: Wyatt Earp and Bat Masterson, both of whom quickly became friendly with the diminutive gambler. Luke's friendship with these two men, as well as others of the gambler/gunman/lawman class was to serve him well in the future.

After becoming friendly with not only Wyatt, but all of the other Earps present in Dodge City at the time, Luke decided to tag along when the Earps, who, in the company of Bat Masterson, had decided to seek their fortune in the west's newest boomtown: Tombstone, Arizona Territory.

After gaining employment at the Oriental Saloon as a faro dealer, Luke settled in as a citizen of Tombstone. Unfortunately for Luke, many other citizens of that same town were known to settle even the most minor disagreements with pistols.

He found this out on the night of February 25, 1881, when he met Charlie Storms. Charlie was another gambler who apparently felt that Luke could be pushed around simply because he was not a big man. (At his tallest, Luke measured only 5 feet 4 inches). Bat Masterson, also employed as a dealer at the Oriental, observed Storms badgering Short. Pulling Storms outside, Bat informed him

PAST TENSE

in no uncertain terms that he was in the act of making a huge mistake if he was determined to pick a fight with Short. Storms seemed to heed this warning and left the premises.

However, Storms returned a short while later, apparently having only gone to another saloon to bolster his courage with tonsil paint. *This time*, after a brief flurry of profanity and insults, both men went for their guns. Short, instead of standing his ground and firing, employed a technique that was destined to serve him in good stead in the future: he advanced on his opponent while firing his weapon. When it was over, the two men would have been standing nose to nose — if Storms were still standing, that is.

Luke's first bullet snapped Storms' neck and the second ripped through his heart. Everyone present agreed that it was a clear-cut case of self-defense and Luke was ultimately cleared of all charges.

Return to Dodge

Cleared or not, Luke felt that it was best to leave town, so he headed back to Dodge City. Back in Dodge, things went along swimmingly for a couple of years, until April of 1883.

By that time Luke, along with partner Will Harris, was the proud owner of the legendary Long Branch Saloon. In an attempt to increase their already booming business, the two had imported several female singers to entertain the customers. They were informed by representatives of the mayor that there was an ordinance prohibiting music in saloons, so Luke fired the singers, only to discover that another saloon in town now had musical entertainment also — the mayor's saloon, to be precise.

When Luke realized the situation, he promptly rehired his singers. This time, when the mayor sent a messenger over to remind Luke about the ordinance, Luke tried unsuccessfully to shoot the fellow.

At this point, the city government requested (presumably by letter) that Luke vacate the city. Short immediately left for Topeka to complain to the state government. When they shrugged him off, he began sending telegrams to his many friends.

The Dodge City "War"

Luke's friends were not about to ignore him as the state authorities had done, and in no time they began to drift into Dodge, all wear-

ing sepulchral expressions. This was not lost on the city fathers and they quickly decided that perhaps they were a tad hasty in their treatment of Short. In no time, charges were dropped and Luke was back running the Long Branch as before.

However, prior to their departure, Luke's friends posed for one of the most famous pictures of western lawmen/gunmen/gamblers ever made. Included in this picture are Luke, Wyatt Earp, Bat Masterson, William Harris, Charlie Bassett, M. F. McClain and Neal Brown. They jokingly referred to themselves as "The Dodge City Peace Commission."

Longhaired Jim Courtright

It was in Texas, however, that Luke's most famous gunfight occurred. In 1885, Luke left Kansas for Fort Worth where he became part owner of the White Elephant Saloon.

Two years later, in 1887, Luke met a man known as "Longhaired" Jim Courtright. In the past, Courtright had been a lawman and had impressed one and all who knew him with his dexterity with weapons. He was said to be able to shoot well with either hand, and was generally considered to be a man with whom it would be best not to fool. By the time that Luke met him, Courtright was in the extortion business. Virtually all of the saloons in Fort Worth, with the exception of the White Elephant, found it judicious to pay Courtright for "protection."

Luke, however, was not impressed with Courtright's deadly reputation and proceeded to tell him so in no uncertain terms. The citizens of Fort Worth held their collective breath. They all felt that it was just a matter of time until Luke became a permanent resident of the cemetery.

It wasn't long before Courtright made another visit to the White Elephant and Luke Short. Specifically, it was on February 8, 1887 that the two met for the second and final time. Ironically, Luke had sold out his interest in the White Elephant the day before, but he had apparently injured the ego of Courtright, and Longhaired Jim was not to be denied. Luke decided to go with this and went looking for him.

In the company of his friend Bat Masterson, Short came upon Courtright at, appropriately enough, a shooting gallery. The two (Short and Courtright) began to speak, and while they were thus

engaged, Luke began to reach inside his coat. This, quite naturally, alarmed Courtright, who shouted a warning. Luke responded that he did not keep his gun there, but it was too late — Longhaired Jim was already in the act of pulling his own gun.

Luck was definitely not with Courtright that day, and the hammer of his revolver caught on his watch chain. While Longhaired Jim was busy trying to disengage his pistol, Luke was busy emptying his own weapon into Courtright's body, advancing on his opponent exactly as he had done with Charlie Storms back in Tombstone. Short's bullets struck Courtright in the thumb, arm and, most importantly, the heart. Much to everyone's surprise, the underdog came out on top.

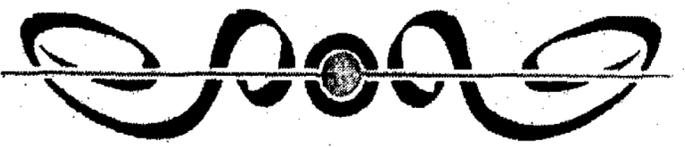
The Last Fight

Three years later, still in Fort Worth, Luke Short engaged in the injudicious use of firearms for the last time. A local saloon owner named Wright attempted to ambush Luke with a shotgun. Taking part of the blast in his left leg, Luke immediately returned fire, breaking Wright's wrist before he could escape.

It was Luke's last gunfight. Three years later, back in Kansas, he died of dropsy at the age of 39. Present at the time was a woman who claimed to be his wife. While no marriage records have come to light, she was clearly fond of the little gunman and probably could have shed much light on the many things we do not know about the life of Luke Short. She was identified as Hattie Buck and she, too, vanished in short order, leaving only a faded photograph of herself behind, revealing her to be a beautiful woman by anyone's standards.

And that is pretty much the way it goes. Where the Old West is concerned, we seem to *not* know more than we do.

Sources: "Encyclopedia of Western Gunfighters" by Bill O'Neal; "The Gunfighters," by Dale Schoenberger; the files of "True West" magazine, courtesy of Marcus Huff, editor.



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Patty's Peppers features 'old way' style of Mexican food

• *New restaurant owner Patty Cocchiola started learning the art of authentic Mexican cooking at the age of 6.*

BY TONI K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Patty Cocchiola had a tough cooking instructor — her grandmother.

"She gradually taught me — I didn't move on to another food item until I had perfected what she had already showed me," said Cocchiola, who with her husband Dusty Cocchiola recently opened Patty's Peppers at 310 Sudderth Drive.

"And believe me — she was a tough act to follow."

Breakfast, lunch and dinner are served six days a week at the restaurant. The menu, which includes some American items, features the authentic Mexican dishes Cocchiola started learning from her grandmother at age 6.

"I started making the masa for the tortillas. That was my job," she said. "I was the youngest of four that my grandmother watched while my parents worked. So, I was always in the kitchen with her."

The lessons paid off. For years, acquaintances have been clamoring for opportunities to taste her Mexican dishes, which she prepares the "old way" with fresh ingredients, Cocchiola said.

"The new way uses powders and stuff," she said. "And we make pretty much everything from scratch."

Cocchiola, who worked for years in the local health care industry, started selling her burritos and salsa to appease the people who craved her cooking. From there, the idea for a restaurant was born, she said.

In mid-September, she moved into the space that was

formerly Jimmy's Restaurant, and after a few weeks of painting and refurbishing, opened for business from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. every day of the week except for Wednesdays.

She emphasized that breakfast is served all day long at the restaurant. Her red chili with pork is becoming the most popular dish on the menu, which also includes stuffed sopapillas and tostadas.

The most expensive item at Patty's Peppers is fajitas at \$7 a plate, she said.

Local residents have been very supportive of the restaurant, and Cocchiola said she appreciates their patience during the restaurant's first few weeks when she and her staff were still getting organized.

"I don't want to serve anything that to me isn't the best. And to me the best is homemade," Cocchiola said.

"I still feel like my cooking isn't anywhere near hers," she said, referring, of course, to her grandmother. "But I guess we all feel that way about our grandmothers."



Patty Cocchiola stands inside her restaurant, Patty's Peppers, which features traditional Mexican food.

Toni K. Laxson/Ruidoso News

► Patty's Peppers

- What: Patty's Peppers
- Who: Patty Cocchiola
- When: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. everyday but Wednesday
- Where: 310 Sudderth Drive
- Phone: 630-2323

Developers work on site plan for spa project; await final approvals

BY TONI K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Developers of Cloud 9, an outdoor oriental spa, intend to develop a site plan of the project before going back to the Extra-Territorial Zoning Commission for a zoning application, a company executive said Thursday.

Craig Rawlings, a financial consultant for M. York, the company behind the project, said the site plan will take some time to complete, and may not be ready for the next commission meeting, scheduled for mid-November.

Earlier this week, the extra-territorial commission tabled a request from the company planning the spa, which is to be located on 7.5 acres of land near the Eagle Creek Sports Complex, just south of the High Country Lodge on State Road 48.

Besides the commission,

Cloud 9 has to acquire approval from both the Ruidoso Planning and Zoning Commission and the Eagle Creek Water Association. Mary Ratchford, president of M. York, said the project could be through bureaucratic hurdles by as early as February or March in a best-case scenario.

Construction of the outdoor spas and spa building, estimated to cost a total of \$550,000 to \$800,000, should be finished in six months from groundbreaking, she said.

M. York on Sept. 29 sealed a contract with the village of Ruidoso to lease the wooded land from the village for \$24,375. Under the contract, the company also will pay the village 10 percent of its gross receipts after surpassing \$410,000 in business income.

On Oct. 13, the council revised its contract, setting a 10-day deadline for the company to



Architects rendering of Cloud Nine spa project.

courtesy

submit a complete financial statement disclosing principals, stockholders and management. The company was also given a 90-day deadline to turn in a complete financial package.

Also, "Any additional amendment requests, modification requests or negotiation request after Oct. 13, 1998, by

M. York will cause automatic termination of lease offer," the village's revisions stated.

Ruidoso Village Manager Alan Briley said Thursday the contract and its deadlines do not become effective until after the Eagle Creek association approves the lease as well. Mayor Robert Donaldson said Thursday the company had submitted the requested financial information.

According to company literature, the spas will offer massage therapy, saunas, outdoor hot tubs, herbal wraps, salt baths and facials.

"The landscaping will include the natural mountain setting with featured waterfalls along paths leading to the private tubs in a Japanese garden style," a company release states. "Each hot tub will have its own unique design and will feature state-of-the-art water purification systems to assure the cleanest water possible."

The spa initially will employ 23 people, according to company executives.

The architect contracted to design the spa is Gary Saxton, who is currently designing outdoor landscaping pool areas for two of Las Vegas's newest casinos, including the Mandalay Bay, according to company literature. Locally, Saxton is known for his work with sculptor Dave McGary on his studio and the Free Spirits at Noisy Water monument at the Museum of the Horse.

The spa will be on a hillside overlooking Alto Lake. It will be open year-round. Patrons to the spa will be provided with kimonos, towels and sandals. The facility will have separate men's and women's locker rooms with private showers, according to the release.

Realtor Board installs new officers

The Ruidoso Board of Realtors recently installed new officers and honored outgoing officers, according to a release from the organization.

Recognized for their dedicated service to the Ruidoso Board of Realtors during the past year and presented with special honorary plaques were Marcia Guynes, president; Scott Miller, vice president; Larry Tillman, secretary/treasurer; and Mark Mobley, director. Wes Burk, who served as secretary/treasurer from October 1997 to February 1998, was unable to attend.

Linda Foster, 1998 president of the Realtors Association of New Mexico, conducted the installation of new officers,

including Nancy Lore, president; Kathy Osborne, vice president; Harvey Foster, secretary/treasurer; and Ed LeBlanc, director from 1998 to 2001.

Continuing as board directors are Sandy Davidson, whose term ends September 1999, and Ron Wright, whose term ends September 2000.

The installation of officers was done during a luncheon Oct. 4 at the Alto Lakes Golf and Country Club.

The Ruidoso Board of Realtors is a professional organization chartered since 1953 under the National Association of Realtors.

The 164 members of the Ruidoso Board of Realtors are

granted the right to use the term "Realtor" in connection with their real estate activities, and can take advantage of industry information, special education, products and services offered through the state and national Realtor organizations.

The Ruidoso Board of Realtors operates the Ruidoso Multiple Listing Service, an invaluable tool for members in assisting property buyers and sellers.

Property listings are currently posted on the Internet at two locations: fbsdata.com and REALTOR.COM — the web site of the National Association of Realtors.



Officers and directors of the Ruidoso Board of Realtors installed on Oct. 8 are, from left to right, Harvey Foster, secretary/treasurer, Nancy Lore, president, Ed LeBlanc, director, Linda Foster, president of Realtors Association of New Mexico, Kathy Osborne, vice president. Not pictured: Ron Wright, director, and Sandy Davidson, director.

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BUSINESS BRIEFS

Construction values continue to rise

Ruidoso's construction industry continues to boom. A report from the Ruidoso Planning Department shows construction values for September up 66 percent from the same time last year.

For the year, construction values in September were up by about 42 percent from last year.

Smokey Bear Park hiring

The Smokey Bear Historical Park in Capitan is hiring

laborers for a Youth Conservation Corps Project. Applicants should be 18-25 years old.

To apply, contact either the New Mexico Department of Labor at 101 5th St., Ruidoso, 88345; or a park official at the Smokey Bear Historical Park.

New owner of Nature's Tapestry flower shop

The floral shop, Nature's Tapestry, has been purchased and moved to a location at the intersection of Mechem Drive and Gavilan Canyon Road, owner CeCe Bustamante said.

The shop is now called Nature's Tapestry and Garden Center, and features a gardening center in addition to the floral shop.

It is located in a new building across the street from the Alto Store.

'Anti-cramming' policy expanded by GTE

GTE recently announced it was adopting the toughest anti-cramming policy in the industry to prevent unauthorized charges from being passed onto customers' telephone bills.

GTE is the first company to declare its intention to implement all the best practices endorsed by the industry's anti-cramming task force.

"We're building upon many industry-leading steps GTE has already taken to send the strongest signal possible that GTE won't tolerate companies that submit false or deceptive charges to us," said Larry Sparrow, president of GTE Wholesale Markets.

GTE is in the process of implementing new policies that:

- Enable customers to limit the companies that can

bill products to their local telephone bill by April 1.

• Eliminate non-telecommunication items, such as "club fees" or "membership fees" for psychic or sports chat lines as of Jan. 1.

• Require independent third party verification for any new service other than long-distance service provider changes on Jan. 1.

In addition, GTE is redesigning its local telephone service bills. Changes will be phased in over six months, beginning in October with new bill phrases.

Many of the industry's best

practices originated with GTE's customer satisfaction program.

GTE began working with its billing and collection clients in February 1997. GTE attacked the issue by requiring clear, descriptive terms on bills and setting a customer complaint level ceiling.

GTE announced this past May that it wouldn't renew third-party billing contracts with three companies for failing to meet minimum customer satisfaction levels and 11 more are on probation.

Christmas trees available

ALAMOGORDO — The Lincoln National Forest is making it much easier for the public to buy and cut Christmas trees in the Forest this year. For \$5 people can cut any type of tree, just about anywhere on the Smokey Bear, Sacramento, or Guadalupe Ranger Districts. Exceptions are on private land or in Wilderness areas. From November 1 through Dec. 24, permits may be purchased at all Lincoln National Forest offices from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on weekdays. In addition, permits can be purchased during the week or on weekends at the Chamber of Commerce offices in Alamogordo, Ruidoso, Cloudcroft and the Roswell Convention Center and Visitor's Bureau. Trees may not be harvested, though, until Nov. 27.

Cost of the permits either over the counter or by mail is \$5. Mail-in applications are available at: all Lincoln National Forest offices; Chamber of Commerce offices

in Alamogordo, Ruidoso and Cloudcroft, Las Cruces, Clovis Portales, Roswell, Artesia, Lovington, Jal, Ruidoso, Hobbs, Carlsbad, El Paso, Lubbock, Midland and Odessa; U.S. Post offices in El Paso, Alamogordo, Tularosa and Carrizozo; and JC Penny stores (catalog depts) in El Paso and Las Cruces.

There are also mail-in applications available at: Holoman Air Force Base in Morale, Welfare and Recreation office; the Public Affairs Office at White Sands Missile Range; U.S. Border Patrol, U.S. Game and Fish, and Bureau of Land Management offices in Las Cruces; the Outpost Gallery in Dell City, Texas, and the Chamizal National Memorial in El Paso, Texas.

Maps and specific instructions are provided with each permit. Visitors are urged to call ahead for travel and weather conditions on the Forest as no refunds can be given once a permit has been issued.

State child support checks to go out uninterrupted

SANTA FE — Recently, the State Human Services Department reported several phone calls have been made to the department from concerned custodial parents about a possible eight-week delay in their receiving child support checks.

"This talk is unfounded and

checks will be continue to be mailed on time as they always are," said Helen Nelson, the Child Support Enforcement Division director.

The Child Support Enforcement Division converted to a new, more powerful computer in August and there have been no

reportable delays in checks to custodial parents as a result of the new system.

Besides the new computer system, the CSED has recently opened a new customer hotline (1-800-288-7207). In the first weeks of operation more than 2,000 telephone calls were

received. The inquiries were mostly from custodial and non-custodial parents wanting information on their cases.

Currently, the division is working more than 78,000 child support cases involving parents throughout the country.

Ranchers warned to guard against poisonous plant

LAS CRUCES — Before the winter weather hits, livestock owners should protect their animals by treating poisonous rayless goldenrod plants.

Rayless goldenrod, also called jimmy weed, is toxic to all animals, but especially affects horses. It causes losses every year in New Mexico.

"Research at New Mexico State University has told us that the best time to control rayless goldenrod is in the fall, once it blooms," said Keith Duncan, brush and weed control specialist with New Mexico State University's Cooperative Extension Service. "So you need to treat it between bloom and frost, which will kill the above ground por-

tions."

The plant is native, growing mainly along river valleys and drainage areas in eastern and central New Mexico. It is most abundant on alkali or gypsum soils.

"When cattle and horses and sheep want to get out of the winter weather, they go down into the lowlands in these river basins where the goldenrod grows," Duncan said. "That's why it's a problem."

To identify rayless goldenrod, look for a small shrub with several upright branches growing from a stout, woody, crown. Stems will be two to four feet tall with clusters of yellow flowers on stem tips from August to

October.

Most poisoning problems occur late winter and early spring, although the above part of the plant is nothing but dried stems, Duncan said.

"We don't know why the animals will eat it at that time, but they do," he said.

Both green and dry plants contain the toxin tremetol, which produces a condition called "trembles" in affected animals and causes death in large doses. There is no antidote.

Until recently, no good control measures were available for the control of rayless goldenrod. NMSU research and demon-

stration trials have shown that rayless goldenrod can be controlled with herbicides that contain picloram, metsulfuron or tebuthiuron.

Herbicides can be applied aerially to dense stands covering large areas. Smaller areas can be treated with four-wheelers or backpacks.

Picloram and metsulfuron should be sprayed after the plant blooms but before the frost. Tebuthiuron may be used any time during the year.

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If you read the The Ruidoso News, then you know how much **CONGRESSMAN JOE SKEEN** means to our local area.

Joe Skeen's priorities are our priorities.

Improving Education

Joe strongly supported and helped pass the sweeping Balanced Budget Act of 1997 which helps pay for college through tax deductions on student loans and Education Savings Accounts. And Joe's support for Hispanic Serving Institutions will bring an increase in funding of 23% to those universities that have at least a 25% Hispanic enrollment.

Promoting Tourism

Joe Skeen knows how important tourism dollars are to New Mexico's economy. He was successful in increasing the budget for REDYTT - the Rural Economic Development Through Tourism program - part of the \$3 billion a year tourism business that employs over 53,000 New Mexicans.

Preserving Social Security and Medicare

Joe supports a bipartisan commission to review options that will protect and strengthen Social Security. In addition, Joe voted to set aside \$1.4 trillion of the budget surplus to save Social Security. On Medicare, Joe voted to extend the solvency of this important program when it was revealed two years ago that the program would go broke in 2001 if nothing was done to protect this program.

Helping Small Business

The lifeblood for New Mexico's cities and towns is small business. And Joe's work in lowering the top capital gains rate, repealing the alternative minimum tax, eliminating

the death tax for farmers and small business owners, allowing full deductions for health insurance costs, and much more, has helped small business. Joe's efforts were recognized by The National Federation of Independent Business, the nation's largest organization of small businesses.

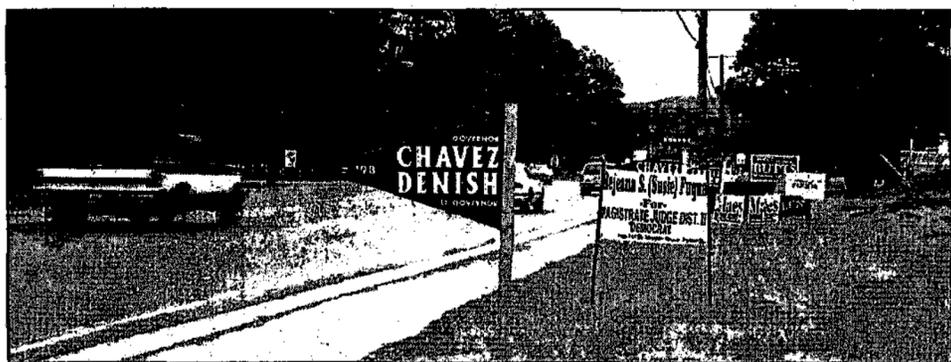
Promoting Taxpayer Rights

Joe Skeen is a strong advocate for taxpayers rights. That's why he supported the comprehensive overhaul of the IRS. For the first time, IRS employees are held accountable for the actions and the burden of proof falls on the IRS, not the taxpayer in a dispute.



Joe Skeen is working in Congress to make life in New Mexico better.

Signs of the time



Political signs dominated at School House Park on Sudderth this week, as voters prepared to go to the polls in the state general election next Tuesday.

New facility boosts seismic research world-wide

SOCORRO — An innovative new instrument center to support scientists in their efforts to study earthquakes and other seismic data has been dedicated at New Mexico Tech here.

The new center, part of the "Program for Array Seismic Studies of the Continental Lithosphere" (PASSCAL) is a repository of research tools for seismologists, managed under the "Incorporated Research Institutions for Seismology" (IRIS) program that is supported by the National Science Foundation (NSF).

Center director Marcos Alvarez will operate the new facility in association with New Mexico Tech geophysicists Rick Aster and Harold Tobin.

The new center will provide a centralized location for researchers to access a variety of portable seismic instruments.

"Our principal role is as a 'lending library' for seismic instruments," said Aster.

In addition to the consortium's seismic research efforts, IRIS fosters K-12 and college level educational programs that highlight the role of seismology and the Earth sciences in society. This role is emphasized through the consortium's work as an advocate for earthquake education and hazard mitigation.

Since seismologists can also

track the seismic anomalies that nuclear explosions produce, IRIS holds an important position as watchdog for the Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty (CTBT).

Since 1984, IRIS has worked to explore the Earth's interior through the collection, distribution, and analysis of seismic data. Currently, more than 90 universities and institutions comprise the IRIS research consortium, which supports the research needs of Earth scientists in the United States and around the world.

Public Regulation election a first in N. M.

LAS CRUCES — Voters on Tuesday will find one heretofore unknown candidate position on the state general election ballot, that of Public Regulation Commissioner.

The commission (or PRC) was established by the last New Mexico Legislature as a single entity made up of five members representing districts, much as is the state Board of Education.

The PRC will combine the duties of two former elected commissions, the Public Utility Commission and the State Corporation Commission. A stand-alone agency, the State Fire Marshal's office, formerly part of the corporation commission, will become part of the new PRC. Utility services such as telecommunications, electric power and natural gas will be governed by the PRC, as well as truck and bus lines, and all firms incorporated in the state.

Lincoln County, and most of Southwestern New Mexico, will be in PRC District 5. On the ballot are two Las Cruces residents, Democrat Jack Valencia and Republican Tony Schaefer.

Following is information provided by each candidate.

Tony Schaefer Republican

The Public Regulation Commission will have broad regulatory authority over utilities, insurance, telecommunications and transportation in New Mexico. Its influence in important areas such as healthcare and electric service will be determined in great measure by the positions taken by candidates in this election.

I believe that we must support New Mexico utilities, especially electric utilities. When marketing firms come to New Mexico to sell power, they provide no jobs, take local revenue out of state, undercut the base of local economies and provide no tax revenue to support roads and schools. In California (a prime example) deregulation has resulted in an increase in rates to residential electric customers. Why should we experiment with the economies of rural communities? I don't believe we should.

We can achieve lower rates through productive regulation. We achieved a 10 percent electric rate reduction in Doña Ana County. It can be done. Rural Electric Cooperatives provide some of the best service and reliability in New Mexico, and, with wholesale competition, they will be able to lower rates. The role of the PRC is to work with them, to the benefit of consumers, not against them.

We must also improve the way that healthcare is managed. Let's cut the cost of administration, improve access, and get insurance companies and HMOs out of second-guessing doctors. The goal is assuring good, quality medical care when needed, not satisfying some third party that it is needed. We must view healthcare from regional, not state-wide, perspectives. Ruidoso is not Albuquerque. Rural communities have different needs and must be supported in efforts to achieve medical service, including mental health and nurse practitioners.

I pledge, as a practitioner,

to facilitate, to work for betterment, to make decisions to promote the interests of consumers and the economy of New Mexico.

Jack Valencia Democrat

The PRC will regulate many of our day-to-day expenses in the areas of telephone, utilities, insurance and transportation service. In addition, The PRC will assist the volunteer fire departments of rural New Mexico. I want to be your voice on issues that are critical to our families on a day to day basis. I will work hard to ensure that the rates we have to pay...are fair, reasonable and just.

As a Las Cruces City Councilor, I have 13 years' experience in rate making, ruling on appeals and acquisition of utilities. I oversee a \$50 million utility budget and I am well aware of what is fair, reasonable and just regarding rates and service. As past president of the New Mexico Municipal League, I have worked with city officials of Ruidoso, Ruidoso Downs, Carrizozo, and Capitán, and have made visits to Lincoln County and I believe

I can...act on your behalf...

The PRC has an obligation to protect the rights and opportunities of current and future consumers...and I see my representation on the PRC as an opportunity to improve the level and quality of services in Lincoln County.

I will ensure that an equal playing field exists regarding rates and rule-making which govern (area electric, gas and water suppliers), (each of which) must be responsive to year around residents and seasonal residents of Lincoln County...

I will work toward having GTE (telephone) look at expanding phone services currently available to include voice messaging and digital high speed data lines for business and home computers.

Forty percent of New Mexico drivers are uninsured and I will work with the Legislature and insurance companies to bring solutions to this problem.

I am committed to making decisions on behalf of the citizens of Lincoln County that are based on the fundamental principles of what is fair, reasonable and just for all citizens.



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- I am concerned about the increase of crime and promise to seek any and all possible solutions
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- I will not tolerate anything less than due process of the law

My commitment to the citizens of Lincoln County:

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decorator items; ★Quality oils, prints, pictures, portraits,
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 The Planning and Zoning Com-
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 Ruidoso will hold a regular
 meeting on November 17,
 1998 at Village Hall, 313
 Cree Meadows Drive. The
 meeting will begin at 2:00
 P.M. The purpose of the
 meeting will be to consider
 Case #PV98-050 a Variance
 request for the following de-
 scribed property:
 Lots 14 & 15, Block 5,
 Palmer Gateway Subdivision
 Ruidoso, Lincoln County,
 New Mexico.
 By order of the Planning &
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 /s/Cleatus R. Richards
 Planning Administrator
 1851 1T(10)30

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 Lot 14, Block 2, 2nd Supple-
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 division - Ruidoso, Lincoln
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 Planning Administrator
 1852 1T(10)30

LEGAL NOTICE
ORDINANCE 98-5
 The Village of Capitan Board
 of Trustees will hold a public
 hearing on November 9,
 1998 at 6:30 p.m. for the
 purpose of amending Water
 Ordinances 81-1, repealing
 Water Ordinances 83-0,
 87-1, 81-5, 84-9, 85-1, 85-4,
 87-3, Water Restrictions Or-
 dinance 98-4 amending
 Sewer Ordinances 81-1, re-
 pealing Sewer Ordinance
 97-10, amending Trash Or-
 dinances 81-1, repealing
 Trash Ordinances 78-5, 81-7,
 84-5, 84-7. These Or-
 dinances will be combined to
 establish a Utility Ordinance
 98-5. Discussion of items to
 be changed are water tap
 fees, sewer tap fees, late
 fees, penalties, dates when
 payments are due, water re-
 stricting times, meter tamper-
 ing. This Utility Ordinance
 98-5 will be considered for
 adoption at the regular meet-
 ing of November 9, 1998 at
 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall
 Bldg. A copy of this or-
 dinance is available to be re-
 viewed or picked up by the
 public. The public is en-
 couraged to attend.
 /s/Deborah Cummins
 Clerk/Treasurer, CMC
 1878 4T(10)23,30(11)4,6

LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF LIEN SALE
 The Stash Unit #86
 Household and personal
 items.
 Last known owner:
 Anita Johnson
 P.O. Box 1159
 Ruidoso, New Mexico 88355
 Date: November 13, 1998
 Time: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 Location: The Stash
 1107 Mechem
 Ruidoso, NM 88345
 1873 2T(10)30(11)4

LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF LIEN SALE
 The Stash Unit #84
 Household and personal
 items.
 Last known owner:
 William Kenney
 P.O. Box 5157
 Ruidoso, New Mexico 88355
 LIEN SALE WILL BE HELD:
 Date: November 13, 1998
 1863 4T(10)23,30(11)4,6

LEGAL NOTICE
INVITATION TO BID
 Formal bids for Ambulance
 Parking Bay Addition to
 Honda Fire Station will be
 opened at Presbyterian
 Healthcare Services,
 Materials Management De-
 partment for Lincoln County
 Medical Center on November
 9, 1998 at 1:00 P.M.
 Lincoln County Medical Cen-
 ter District Board of Trustees
 reserves the right to reject
 any or all bids, to accept any
 or all bids and to waive all
 technicalities.
 Specifications may be ob-
 tained at the Materials Man-
 agement Department at 101
 Mountain Road NE, Albuquer-
 que, NM 87102, c/o Phil
 Gallegos (505)246-8747.
 1879 1T(10)30

LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF INVITATION FOR BIDS
 NOTICE is hereby given that
 competitive sealed bids will
 be received by the Lincoln
 County Purchasing Agent at
 the Lincoln County Court-
 house, P.O. Box 111, 300
 Central Avenue, Capitan,
 New Mexico 88301, until
 2:00 P.M., Wednesday, De-
 cember 2, 1998, at which
 time and place the bids will
 be opened and publicly read
 aloud. Any bids received

**ELECTRONIC MONITOR-
 ING**
 The Lincoln County Board of
 Commissioners will review
 and make their final de-
 termination during their regu-
 lar commission meeting
 scheduled for 9:00 A.M., on
 Tuesday, December 8, 1998.
 Specifications are available
 at the Office of the Purchas-
 ing Agent, Lincoln County
 Courthouse, Capitan, or by
 calling Martha Guevara at
 (505)648-2385.
 All bids must be clearly
 marked on the outside of the
 sealed envelope with the bid
 number(s) shown above.
 Lincoln County reserves the
 right to accept or reject all or
 any part of any bid, waive
 minor technicalities and
 award the bid to best serve
 the interest of Lincoln
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MARTHA GUEVARA
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LEGAL NOTICE
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR DESIGN PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
 RFP No. 00

Project Name:
 Village of Capitan Public Safety Facility
Contracting Agency:
 Village of Capitan
 Address: P.O. Box 248
 Capitan, NM 88316
 Telephone: (505)354-2247
 Date: October 19, 1998

NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
 Qualification-based com-
 petitive sealed proposals for
 design professional services
 will be received by the Con-
 tracting Agency, Village of
 Capitan, P.O. Box 248,
 Capitan, NM 88316 for RFP
 No. 001.
 The Contracting Agency is re-
 questing proposals for pro-
 fessional architectural ser-
 vices for a Public Safety Fa-
 cility located at 211 Smokey
 Bear Blvd.
 Project No. pending
 Proposals will be received at
 Village of Capitan, Village
 Hall, P.O. Box 248, Capitan,
 NM 88316 or 114 Lincoln
 Ave., Capitan, NM 88316 until
 November 12, 1998 10:00 a.m.

Copies of the Request for Pro-
 posals can be obtained in
 person at the office of the
 Village Clerk Deborah Cum-
 mins at 114 Lincoln Ave.,
 Capitan, NM 88316 or will be
 mailed upon written or tele-
 phone request to P.O. Box
 248 Capitan, NM 88316 at
 (505)354-2247.
 A Pre-Proposal Conference
 will be held on October 30,
 1998 at Capitan Village Hall
 Bldg. 8:00 a.m.

1. PROJECT DESCRIPTION
 Construction of a 8,000
 square foot Public Safety Fa-
 cility to house the Capitan
 Volunteer Fire Department,
 Capitan Police Department
 and Ambulance, at 211
 Smokey Bear Blvd. within the
 Village limits of the Village of
 Capitan.

2. SCOPE OF WORK
 The Offeror shall perform the
 following professional ser-
 vices:
 2.1 Provide standard Basic
 Design Services, consisting of:
 Architects, Schematic Phase
 Design Development Phase,
 Construction Documents
 Phase, Bidding and Negotia-
 tions Phase, Construction
 Administration Phase, Post-
 Construction Phase.
 2.2 Periodic on-site observa-
 tion during construction.
 2.3 Other:
 This contract will be con-
 tingent on CDBG funds
 awarded on January 15,
 1999.
 Purchasing Agent:
 Deborah Cummins
 Clerk/Treasurer, CMC
 Date: October 19, 1998
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YARD SALES

132 W. CREEK RD.,
 Capitan. Ski equipment,
 tools, tack, etc. Sat 8am-
 3pm, Sun 8am-1pm. No early
 birds please!!

MOSTLY INSIDE SALE:
 Everything goes cheap!!
 Come get it, misc items,
 Sat, Oct 31st, 108
 Shadow Lane, off
 Grindstone.

**YARD SALE* 120 E.
 STREET** Corner of B. & 3rd
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 more. Friday 10am. - 5pm.

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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Looking for something to do this weekend? Checkout Vamonos!

(Inside the Ruidoso News every Friday.)

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Feature of the Week

OPEN HOUSE!!
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 Open house: Sun., Nov. 1, 10-2

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GOLF COURSE AND VALLEY VIEWS! From this fully furnished 3 bedroom, 2 bath chalet home. Very well maintained, newly painted in quiet neighborhood, covered deck, 1-car detached garage. Priced at \$105,000.

SIERRA BLANCA VIEW! From the living room of this very well maintained, low maintenance 3 bedroom, 1 3/4 bath home. Huge lot, fantastic decks, quiet neighborhood. You will not be disappointed. \$107,500.

LOVELY HOME ON CEDAR CREEK!! This 3 bedroom, 1 3/4 bath home sits in a quiet cul-de-sac location. Tall pines and your own park-like setting with the creek. You need to see this one. \$169,900.

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Advertise in the classifieds.
 Call Suzanne at 257-4001
 Ruidoso News

PUBLIC NOTICE
 ★ FINAL WEEKEND ★

The units listed below represent excess inventory. Auction and wholesale buyers have already submitted their bids and these units will be sold by Oct. 31, 1998. Now, you the public, are invited to submit a bid on these units. Highest bid wins. None of these units will carry over. All sales are final. Limited one per customer. Some units have factory warranties left, others have 100% limited warranty. Financing available to retail buyers only.

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| 1996 EAGLE TALON | 1994 FORD F-150 |
| 1995 FORD EXPLORER 4x4 | 1993 MERCURY VILLAGER |
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