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► A SPECIAL REPORT

The new 'Kid' on the gaming block

• An executive at the Billy the Kid Casino believes Ruidoso can easily become a two-casino town, but the Mescalero Apache Tribe president said the Inn of the Mountain Gods is taking a "wait and see" approach.

BY TONI K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Standing in rows like chrome soldiers, the shiny new slot machines at the Billy the Kid Casino have a mission with a certain symmetry: a quarter-by-quarter revival of quarterhorse racing.

With the opening of the casino May 5, Bruce Rimbo, president of the Ruidoso Downs Race Track and Casino, thinks the odds now favor the track's survival.

Rimbo bases that on projections of what those new slot machines will deliver in revenues. He hopes each machine will bring in \$120 a day after gamblers get a 93-percent payout. Those dollars will be divided three ways. A total of 55 percent goes to casino operational costs, 25 percent goes to the state and 20 percent is reinvested in the horse racing indus-

► The new casino

- Owners: Ruidoso Downs Racing, Inc.
- Cost to build: \$5 million
- Employees: 70 full-time
- Number of slots: 300
- Features: Gift shop, buffet restaurant, off-track betting
- Hours: 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Sunday through Thursday; Noon to midnight Friday and Saturday

try — the latter the state Legislature's justification for allowing racetrack casinos.

"It's not," Rimbo said, "a get-rich-quick scheme."

If the projections pan out, it means each machine will contribute \$21 a day for horse race purses.

"It's not a lot," Rimbo said, "but then you multiply it daily..." His un-

spoken point is that over time, the cumulative effect will mean bigger purses for the Downs.

The casino will have its doors open for about 20 days before the pari-mutuel racing season begins Memorial Day weekend. Based on projections of casino revenues, opening day race winnings will be \$45,000, an increase of \$10,000 over last year, Rimbo said.

New Mexico is not the first to use a casino as a way to "sweeten the pot" for horse racing and thus revitalize the industry. Rimbo said the state follows Delaware, West Virginia and Iowa,

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"It's not a get-rich-quick scheme."

Bruce Rimbo,
Track and casino president



Bruce Rimbo, president of the Ruidoso Downs Race Track and Casino, shows off one of the 300 slot machines recently installed in the new casino.

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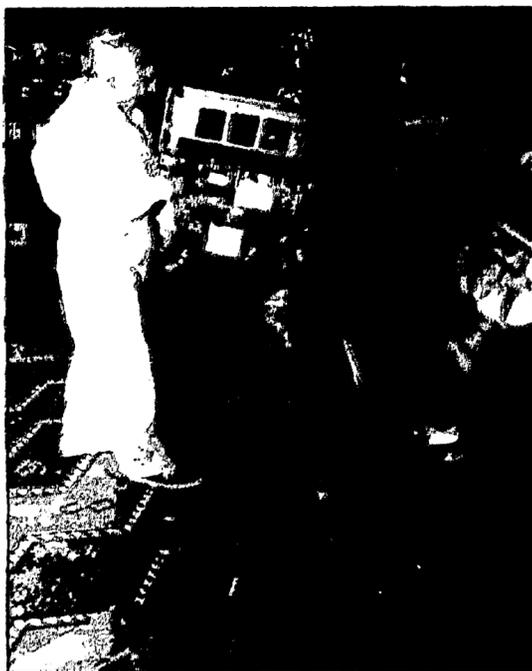
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LaRonda Holmberg, one of the casino's 70 new employees, works Thursday preparing slot machines for next week's opening. Holmberg, who has worked part-time at the track in the past years, said she's excited about joining the casino's staff at its inception.

Toni K. Laxson/Ruidoso News

The deal on jobs: Casino creates 70 full-time jobs

• In a town where the labor pool is scarce, the Billy the Kid Casino recently had to scramble to fill 70 new jobs.

BY TONI K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Every spring Dick Swenor has the daunting task of filling more than 80 open positions for the Ruidoso Downs Race Track's summer season.

This year, the challenge was even greater for Swenor, in charge of both security and personnel at the track for five years. Not only did he staff the track, but also the 70 new year-round jobs needed to operate the Billy the Kid Casino, scheduled to open May 5 next to the track.

"We were quite concerned we might not be able to pick up enough people, but by going outside the immediate area we are starting to pick them up," Swenor said.

As of February, Lincoln County's

unemployment rate was 4.3 percent, according to the New Mexico Labor Market Review. While that low number sounds like good news, it represents one of the major challenges for both existing and new businesses in the area — finding and keeping staff.

Over at the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce, the shortage of employees has sparked a special effort to tap into the youth labor to fill the increased need for summer employees.

"Typically, when a business makes a new hire, it has taken an employee from some other business," Joan Zagone, chamber executive director, said. "The end result is that we always have a need for employees. Employees are almost passed around, leaving someone always in need. What it has become, is not an employers' market, but an employees'. In other words, the employees

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Road work: 'We're doing the best we can'

BY TONI K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

In philosophical terms, the road to a Ruidoso Downs Race Track casino has been a long one.

In pragmatic terms, the road to the Billy the Kid Casino is a rough one.

Recent highway construction has U.S. Highway 70 in a state of upheaval, including the area in front of the Ruidoso Downs Race Track and its long-awaited casino, scheduled to open next week. Six miles of the highway are in the process of being

repaved and the south lane has been removed in preparation that work.

Joe Schulthess, project manager, recently said the road will not necessarily be pretty, but it will have four open lanes of traffic from the "Y" by Memorial Day weekend in late May, when the racing season starts.

"We are expending additional resources to make sure that happens," he said. "We are working double shifts on parts of our work, and putting in at least 60 hours a week. So, we are doing everything we can."

However, traffic still will

be confined to two lanes bordered by orange barrels when the Billy the Kid Casino opens May 5, Schulthess said. In the state's contract with the company, Meadow Valley Contractors Inc., four lanes of traffic are not required until Memorial Day, he said.

Ruidoso Downs village leaders expect police officers will be needed to help out with traffic control in front of the racetrack. Police Chief David Hightower said he may bring in some temporary people as well.

Typically, additional traffic control is needed on busy race days. But that assistance

may be needed more often, especially if casino business is brisk. Schulthess said his crews plan to shut the highway down to two lanes on non-race days even after the season starts.

"People don't realize, I still have three to four days a week when I can work, where I don't have to provide that access," Schulthess, referring to his company's state contract. "So, it's not a total shutdown."

The problem for the company is a limited number of complete dollars in which to do the project. In addition,

he said, the company has a contract that was drafted before anyone knew a casino would be built at the track.

"I think people envision that the racetrack will open and we will go away. But that is not what is required in the contract," Schulthess said.

He has discussed issue of traffic control with track officials and Ruidoso Downs village leaders. Whether or not the road will present a problem depends on the numbers wanting to try their luck at racetrack slot machines.

"We are sure we'll have additional traffic, but no one knows how much," he said.

Capitan gears up for vote

BY SANDY SUGGITT
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

CAPITAN — School Board members and administrators here are announcing the coming bond election at student banquets and awards programs to get people out to vote.

Superintendent Diana Billingsley said the deadline for absentee voting is May 7 with the general election on May 11 at the Lincoln County

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RUIDOSO'S THREE-DAY WEATHER OUTLOOK

SATURDAY High ... 58
Low ... 39



Rain showers

SUNDAY High ... 67
Low ... 32



Partly cloudy

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Low ... 37



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Tuesday	73	38	.00"
Wednesday	70	38	.10"
Thursday	69	38	.08"

Regional-Wednesday	High	Low	Forecast
Albuquerque	66	45	Showers, storm
El Paso, TX	70	51	Thunderstorms
Lubbock, TX	64	54	Thunderstorms
Midland, TX	66	58	Thunderstorms

April phases of the moon



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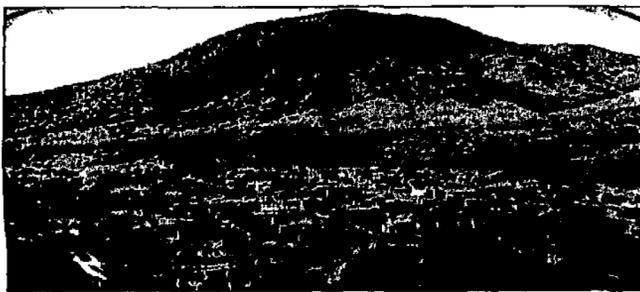


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White Oaks, N.M.

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Hotel lease vote possible Tuesday

BY TONI K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

At 7 p.m. Tuesday, Steve Olson, Leisure Hotels president and CEO, will personally present his reasons why Ruidoso village councilors should sign an agreement that night for a 116-room, \$7.6 million first-class hotel next to the Ruidoso Convention Center.

His presentation is to be followed with a public hearing and possible vote on the 58-page lease agreement, which offers the Kansas-based hotel company several incentives.

But during the third public hearing Thursday night, a direct political warning came from one opponent of the hotel, Sandra Davis, a chiropractor.

"The voters are going to

hold each and every one of you personally responsible (if you sign the lease)," she said to the council. She reminded members that the entire council was turned out after a golf course lease was signed 10 years ago.

The hotel agreement has been the source of considerable controversy because of the village's proposed incentive package, including the elimination of property taxes for up to 30 years. The hearing Tuesday will be the fourth held by the village council on the issue.

Before Olson's presentation, the village council is scheduled to go into a closed session about the lease agreement.

"We are meeting with Leisure Hotels prior to the meeting for some final negotia-

tion points," Mayor Robert Donaldson, who has been working on the agreement with Leisure Hotels for more than eight months, said.

Several people during the public hearings have suggested changes. One resident and a former village councilor, Al Junge, on Monday said an provision for an audit of the hotel operations be included as well as a mechanism to prevent the lease from being assigned to another party. He also questioned whether a cap amount had been set for how much the village will spend to prepare soil at the hotel site. Under the contract, the village would pay for the soil preparation, which Donaldson has said would cost \$95,000.

Donaldson, speaking before

the council's public hearing on the issue Thursday, addressed some of the rumors that he or village councilors may be involved with the hotel company either as potential investors or financial benefactors. Donaldson was emphatic that neither he, his company, Sun Country Mortgage, nor any of the council were receiving any form of compensation from Leisure Hotels.

"The only way I'm involved in this is in my capacity as mayor of the village," Donaldson said. "That's just one of the silliest rumors and it borders on libel."

More information about Leisure Hotels may be obtained from its web site at www.leisure-hotel.com.

LCMC supporters show concern about possible sale of facility

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Overtures by a for-profit corporation to buy Lincoln County Medical Center in Ruidoso has led a group of supporters to urge county commissioners in full-page newspaper ads not to sell the 38-bed

facility. One ad detailing the award-winning background of the hospital, ran Wednesday and another, with the results of a public opinion poll on the hospital, is set to run, said Gary Mitchell, a local attorney and chairman of the hospital board. The decision to buy the ad,

paid for by Citizens for the Lincoln County Medical Center, was based on two events - an appearance by a representative of Community Health Systems, a for-profit corporation that bought hospitals in Roswell and Deming, and by a report from County Manager Tom Stewart about

the cost to each taxpayer for medical care of the county's indigent. "A group of people, including (auxiliary volunteers), hospital board members and others who care about it, got together to run with this thing, if it becomes an issue," Mitchell said.

CAPITAN: Flyers urge support 'for our kids sake'

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Fairgrounds here. The bond issue is for \$2,000,000 for six additional classrooms, an elementary library, an elementary music room, and safety issues on the interior of campus.

This is the second bond issue proposed this year. In February, 27 votes killed a bond election for \$5,750,000 for new buildings and additions, site development, and other changes.

Billingsley said the board and administrators have more positive feelings about this bond election because the com-

munity knows the classrooms are needed and that the bus drop-off area is dangerous. "Even at the first election, those areas were never in question by the community," she said, "so we feel the community will support it because they know this is what we need."

The school board will be at the Farmers Country Market in Capitán Saturday, May 8, to answer any questions the public may have about the bond issue.

Flyers are in the post office, and a message on the marquee of the school says "For our kids' sake, vote May 11 for the classrooms they need."

Only 22.3 percent of the registered voters (2,612) voted in the Feb. 2 election, said Lincoln County Elections Clerk Sam Chavez. Of those, 36 voted absentee or early and 548 in person.

As of Tuesday, 65 people have newly registered to vote in the bond election, he said.

"So far only 13 people have voted absentee," Chavez said Tuesday. People can vote early by going to the County Clerk's office in Carrizozo or they can apply to have a ballot mailed to them, Chavez said.

For more information, call the County Clerk's office at 648-2398.

He contended Stewart's report on the county's cost of indigent health care contained figures that were wrong. The group intends to bring the correct figures to commissioners at one of their upcoming meetings, he said. "We though the issue was over with and then they present this, and next thing I know the county manager is going to various hospitals around the state checking it out, I guess," Mitchell said. "After my conversation with him, it became obvious to me that this is not a dead issue." Commissioners must find a way to finance construction of a new jail. Mitchell worries they may sell the hospital to pay for the jail and to bring in some income.

L.C. SCRAPBOOK

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

White Oaks Eagle April 27, 1899

Mrs. W. C. McDonald was in from the Carrizozo ranch Tuesday.

John W. Owen, our deputy sheriff and constable, spent a part of this week in Nogal on official business.

D. H. Lueras was in from Raventon Tuesday. He has just finished shearing his sheep, and

after losing at least 25 percent of his clip before shearing, because of scab, he secured about 3,000 pounds. Conditions are much the same among other Raventon sheep men.

Bert Rowland is here from Ruidoso, on a week's vacation and visit, after a winter's close application to business as chief clerk in J. W. Prude's Ruidoso store.

Died: Mrs. Tomasita Montoya, aged 65, of consumption, Monday morning at 3 o'clock. The deceased had been an invalid for many months.

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Tracy Rice paints an "olden days" portrait on a wall inside the \$5.5 million Billy the Kid Casino. The decor inside and out plays up the casino's wild west theme, including a re-creation of old Lincoln and a life-size stage coach hanging on a wall.

CASINO: 'A rising tide lifts all ships,' said Kennedy

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where one track went from bankruptcy to paying off a \$70 million debt in three years.

More winnings mean more incentives for horse owners, breeders, trainers and jockeys to trot away with the trophy. It also means more "celebrity" horses, trainers and jockeys, which in turn translates into a bigger draw for the gate, Rimbo said.

"It's just supply and demand," he said. "It's good for our horse business in the state and in the breeding business as a whole."

Proponents of the 1997 gambling bill, sponsored by state Rep. Dub Williams, R-Glencoe, say not only will the racetracks prosper, but also the many support businesses, such as veterinarians and feed and tack suppliers.

Rimbo used a quote from John F. Kennedy to illustrate the benefit: "A rising tide lifts all ships."

Sunland Park, near El Paso, Texas, opened its race-track casino a month ago and already has increased its purse by 30 percent because of slot machine dividends. Though Rimbo is projecting almost the same kind of increases at Ruidoso Downs, the Billy the Kid Casino is unlikely to generate the same large amounts of revenue as Sunland Park. The population base here cannot compete with the combined population of El Paso and Juarez, Mexico, he said.

But Ruidoso Downs' winnings will definitely go up, Rimbo said.

"It will certainly be profitable and better than what we have had in the last few years," he said. "And it will grow. Next year, it will be even bigger."

After eight months of accruing proceeds, the track's opening day in 2000 should reflect a sizable increase in purse winnings.

Rimbo is confident there will be enough business for both the Billy the Kid Casino and Casino Apache, on the neighboring Mescalero Apache Reservation, which offers not only slots but also other gaming such as blackjack tables and poker.

"We have no concerns about that at all," Rimbo said. "We think that, by the amount of people who have been up here, even this past winter, the amount of construction we see going on, the real estate business and all that kind of stuff, that this area is growing fast

enough and that there will be enough tourism all-year long.

As far as another casino bringing in a larger crowd of gamblers to the area through a "synergy" with Casino Apache, Rimbo said he didn't think just two casinos were enough to create that market.

"I don't think people are really going to come up here to Ruidoso for just a casino. I think they are coming to Ruidoso to see this area, to spend a weekend, week or summer here. They are coming for fun, for enjoyment to get away.

"There are some customers who go to the Inn of the Mountain Gods because they want to play cards," Rimbo said. "And they are going to continue going to the Inn... I think the Inn does very well all year round. And we expect to do the same. I don't see any competition."

Mescalero tribal officials have a "wait and see" approach to what the new casino's impact will be.

"I couldn't tell you because they haven't opened up, so I don't know," Mescalero President Paul Ortega said. "There's nothing to compare it with right now."

"But we are going to go on regardless of whether they do their thing."

Officials hope for economic 'ripple' from new casino

BY TONI K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Gamblers may cash in next week when the \$5.5 million Billy the Kid Casino opens, but odds are the village of Ruidoso Downs will have to collect its winnings over the long term.

The casino won't mean a gross receipts tax windfall for the village. Revenues from slot machines are not subject to the gross receipts tax. So, while the village will benefit from food beverage sales as well as an estimated \$14,000 in property taxes the first year, its big payoff will be indirect.

"It will have a good economic impact for all the businesses," Mayor Joe Hayhurst said.

The village is working on new planning and zoning regulations to open up more of U.S. Highway 70 frontage for commercial development.

"I think it is exciting for our community because a lot of people are anticipating getting jobs out there," Village Trustee Judy Miller said.

The casino's impact is expected to ripple beyond Ruidoso Downs' village limits in terms of tourism, growth and economics.

Steve Tally, incoming president of the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce, said the hope of the business community is the casino will increase lodgings' occupancy rates and tourism overall - not only by bringing more people to the area, but by enticing them to stay longer.

A few retailers, however, are concerned about an additional gaming enterprise. The theory is gamblers will spend all their vacation money gambling, with nothing left to buy a T-shirt with.

"Some retailers say it drastically hurts their business, and some say it helps," Denise Dean, current chamber president, said. "It's kind of hard to say."

Lisa Muhn oversees convention and group sales for the Ruidoso Convention Center.



An army of empty cardboard boxes fill the Ruidoso Downs Race Track grandstand's first floor. The boxes contain chairs, stools, tables, equipment and slot machines.

The casino is a benefit for her in that it adds to the menu of area attractions convention goers want.

"Especially because they are counting it as a family attraction," Muhn said of the combination track and casino. "It fits right in with how we market this area. It wouldn't be the main reason that a convention would come here, but it would add to the attractions we can offer them."

In Ruidoso Downs, businesses already are relocating at a rapid pace to Ruidoso Downs' stretch of U.S. Highway 70. A Big O Tires, a Sears, a Waldrop's Furniture and a Ramada Inn Express number among the new business signs lining the highway. Other projects in the works include a Denny's Restaurant.

Ruidoso Downs leaders anticipate the new casino will translate into additional expenses for Ruidoso Downs, starting with traffic control in front of the race track entrance. Police Chief David Hightower said he will dedicate officers to the traffic situation and will probably hire temporary people for the task as well.

When the Inn of the Mountain Gods opened its casino, Ruidoso police did see a few cases of white-collar crime resulting from gambling addictions, he said. "But as far as the majority of people who visit those casinos - it's entertainment ... And boosting the economy is something I and the people of this department are for."

Hayhurst said Ruidoso Downs is happy to accommodate what he and his trustees say will be an economic asset.

"And as problems arise, we will try to work on them," Hayhurst said.

The 16,000-square-foot casino will add to the village's non-residential tax base of \$10 million. Though the facility will cost \$5.5 million to build, its appraisal value has not been determined, so its property tax can only be guessed at, a state official said.

"They should see some type

of property tax revenue," Darlene Mares, a bureau chief with the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration, said.

Based on the village's non-residential property tax rate of \$7.29 for every \$1,000 of appraised value, Mares estimated that Ruidoso Downs would see a \$14,000 increase in property tax revenues because of the casino.

But a state law that "levels" property tax revenues for governmental entities would cause that increase to drop off in subsequent years, possibly dropping the rate. Mares cautioned that too many variables could affect the rate to make any accurate projections.

Bruce Rimbo, president of the Ruidoso Downs Race Track and Casino, pointed out that casino revenues directly benefit the horse racing industry by adding to the purses awarded to winners. Owners, breeders, trainers, jockeys are expected to use the additional income for reinvestment in farms, horses and capital improvements, which "rolls" the money over again in the economy.

"And that's good for the state and good for all of us," Rimbo said.



Orange barrels, a stop sign and detour signs stand across the road from the Ruidoso Downs Race Track — just part of the scenery with the current road construction on U.S. Highway 70.

JOBS: Pool of workers a 'pleasant surprise' as the new casino gears up

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are the ones who can pick and chose the job, not the employers."

Anticipating the challenge, Swenor started looking for employees at the beginning of the year, before the casino even started to go vertical. And to help attract quality applicants, track administrators raised the lowest pay scale to \$6 an hour.

"And it goes up from there. So we are paying a little more than minimum wage," said Bruce Rimbo, who oversees operation of both the racetrack and casino.

Overall, the track employs 300 people during the race season, but Swenor typically only needs to fill between 80-150 positions because the remainder are "locked in" by seasonal regulars, he said.

To fill many of the top positions at the casino, Rimbo pulled in experienced people from Nevada. His new depart-

ment heads at the reorganized track include people from Washington and Kansas.

Overall, Rimbo said he was "pleasantly surprised" by the number and quality of applicants for track and casino positions.

"By and large, we are pretty well set," he said.

However, that was not the case as recently as three weeks ago, according to Swenor. With less than a month before the casino opening, Swenor still had only about half the applicant pool needed for the full-time positions. Because of the nature of the work, the job applicants are subject to two background checks as well as drug testing, he said.

"We went out officially with some ads in late January, early February," Swenor said. "But things kind of died off and we weren't getting anything."

A second round of advertisements in a rash newspapers resulted in a rush of applications. "Now we're swamped. Of

course, they are coming from Alamogordo, Tularosa, Roswell, Hobbs, Carlsbad and everywhere else," he said. "I guess word got around that we're paying pretty well, and full-time employees have health insurance and all this type of thing. And it just sort of generated itself from there."

About 70 percent of the people hired so far are from the Ruidoso area, Swenor said. But those job candidates were not necessarily unemployed when they picked up their applications.

"A lot of them are coming from other positions ... I know a lot of them who are coming out and applying who are in jobs where they don't have benefits," Swenor said, adding that he was unsure what percentage of applicants were coming from other jobs. "We have had picked up some people from the other casino."

Casino Apache personnel could not be reached for comment on whether Mescalero

Apache operations have lost staff. Tribal President Paul Ortega said even if some employees switched to the Billy the Kid Casino, there is a constant flow of job applicants at Casino Apache. Ortega said he did not anticipate any staffing problems.

Swenor said he thought the two casinos probably offer about the same in employee compensation.

"I don't know what their bottom line is, but I think it's comparable," he said.



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OUR OPINION

**A sea change
in the mountains**

Another sea change is in store for Ruidoso next Wednesday, when the Billy the Kid Casino opens at Ruidoso Downs Race Track. (To mariners, a "sea change" occurs when wind and ocean current combine to make very different sailing conditions, and action is necessary.)

The casino is the second state-licensed non-Indian gaming venue - Sunland Park was first earlier this year - and will offer 300 ways for visitors to help build purses for the extended horse racing season at the Downs. That is, 300 video gaming machines will be available to entertain track visitors when the ponies aren't running - or even if they are.

The western street store-front design of the 16,000 square-foot casino ties in well with its name, and a particular effort has been made to add entertainment value beyond the mesmerizing video slot machines.

The new R. D. Hubbard enterprise has top-caliber management, as it should; after all, Hubbard's Hollywood Park and Woodlands racetracks, not to mention the Boomtown casinos in Nevada and Alabama were available to provide the expertise.

It is a sea change in Ruidoso's continued growth as a destination resort, and with change comes challenge.

The Mescalero Apache Tribe recognizes it; Casino Apache no longer will be alone in Lincoln County as a gaming center, although its venue includes traditional table games as well as slot machines and therefore isn't in head-to-head competition.

Ruidoso's city fathers recognize the change, and are pushing to create a third leg on the stool of Lincoln County tourism - a top-line convention hotel adjacent to the convention center and the Links at Sierra Blanca golf course.

Not every resident likes the idea, but suddenly in the waning year of the 20th Century, there is a momentum building in Lincoln County that bodes well for the county's economic well-being as the Third Millennium begins.



MOUNTAIN ASIDES



BY KEITH GREEN
RUIDOSO NEWS

**Our world
of work**

As if you hadn't noticed, greater Ruidoso is a very busy place this Spring. The unemployment rate is the lowest in years, thanks to two major road construction projects, commercial buildings popping up along with the dandelions in Ruidoso Downs and along M e c h e m Drive, residential building still on a roll...

A senior housing project north of the White Mountain school complex is progressing so rapidly that it wouldn't surprise us if it opens before those dandelions head out.

They're even talking about a 46-unit trailer park in Capitán, where many of Ruidoso's worker bees fly in from every day.

We haven't forgotten that new electronic casino opening next week; it also is contributing to the unemployment decline.

When the unemployment rate drops below 4.5 percent, the problem isn't lack of jobs, it's lack of workers. Ruidoso's tourist economy bangs up against that fact about this time every year. Midtown shops and fast food outlets begin beeping up for Memorial Day and the summer season.

But we're reminded of a new ad salesman that the Santa Fe New Mexican brought in a few years ago. He had the greatest credentials in the world but after about two months on the job he just didn't seem to be earning his keep.

The advertising manager finally sat him down one beautiful May afternoon and asked him why he wasn't living up to his great reputation as a salesman.

"You don't think I came out here to Paradise to work, do you," he replied.

GUEST COMMENTARY

School vouchers a 'threat to democracy'

BY BARBARA A. PEREA CASEY
HONDO SCHOOLS SUPERINTENDENT

I am writing to voice my concern about the school voucher issue. First of all, I would like to state that I am writing as a lifelong educator and not as a spokesperson for any political group or school district. It is my opinion that there is much to be learned about voucher legislation introduced during the regular session of the Legislature this year.

HB303, introduced by Rep. Dub Williams, R-Glencoe, was the Elementary and Secondary School Voucher Act. This act would allow public funds to be used for a voucher system for student attendance in a private educational institution. My greatest concern...is that it states: "A private school that accepts students that are participants in the program shall not be required to comply with rules that apply to public schools promulgated by either the state board or the local school board."

This means that a school

that accepts vouchers does not have to meet any minimum standards regarding instruction, teacher certification, employee background checks, provision of instructional materials, provision of services for special needs students, provision of transportation, and many other areas... Although Gov. (Gary) Johnson has stated that he wants to "scale back" his voucher proposal, he has not mentioned anything about a private school meeting any kind of standards to ensure that students are receiving adequate instruction and other services. This encourages private schools to take advantage of public funds without accountability to the taxpayers, the Legislature or the State Board of Education.

The New Mexico Constitution, Article XII, Section 1 provides for a "uniform system of free public schools sufficient for the education for, and open to, all children of school age in the state..." Further, Section 3 of the same article states that no state monies "shall be used for

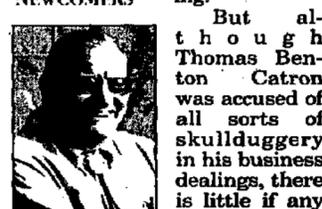
the support of any sectarian, denominational or private school, college or university." Governor Johnson has already violated the ... Constitution on several occasions. I think he should uphold the Constitution as he promised to do when he took his oath of office.

The governor and other voucher advocates have repeatedly stated that the voucher system would be aimed at students who are at-risk. We must consider that the majority of students who are at-risk come from single parent families, families who live in poverty, families who are not well educated - in short, families who are at-risk too. How many families with at-risk children can afford to pay full tuition at a private school? Let's say a voucher is worth...\$3,100. In New Mexico, tuition at many private schools far exceeds this amount...

I believe that a voucher system is a great threat to our form of government...a direct threat to democracy...vouchers should be stopped.

Rich for the times, but land-poor

It's hard to imagine one man accumulating several million acres of land from an initial investment of two wagon loads of flour. It's even harder to imagine that occurring without a great deal of underhanded dealing.



BY MORROW HALL
SPECIALIZED COLUMNIST

But although Thomas Catron was accused of all sorts of skullduggery in his business dealings, there is little if any evidence of it. He was acknowledged to be shrewd and cunning by all his friends, but they were quick to add that he was an extremely hard worker. It may be that he was just in the right place at the right time.

The United States government probably made it possible for Catron to amass his vast holdings, and that government should be held accountable. He seems to have worked within the law, but it was a bad law.

The land grant situation was a can of worms from the start. The United States concept of land ownership was not at all like that of its Spanish and Mexican predecessors. The many land grants were given to groups of settlers or to wealthy gentlemen who were required to care for those who worked for them and let them use the land.

The grants were communal, and there was seldom any paperwork involved after the initial conveyance.

When the United States took over, it laid its own land ownership laws over the grants. If one could find the heirs of the original grantees, a very complex process, he could pay them for deeds and acquire title.

Tom Catron did just that, for himself and for others. He often took his fees in partial interests. He provided the courts with complicated affidavits of heirship and tracked down those with fractional ownership. His own ownership grew to the point where even he didn't know how much land he had.

But, just as often happens in a game of "Monopoly," a large stack of deeds doesn't guarantee liquidity. Catron spent a lot of money, and he always needed more than he had.

One large continuing expense was his household. Catron met his wife, Julia, in Mesilla in 1875. They were married two years later. In 1883, he spent \$70,000 - an enormous sum at the time - to build them a fine house in Santa Fe. They had six children, but two died in infancy.

Julia traveled frequently, and as their four surviving sons grew older, she placed them in prestigious private schools, here and in Europe. Maintaining his home and paying the travel expenses of his wife and children were a constant drain on Catron's re-

sources.

He also lent money to many people, and while some of these loans were a lucrative source of interest revenue, others remained unpaid. The list of people he assisted in this way is like a Who's Who of New Mexico at the time - people like Pat Garrett, Elfecho Baca and Albert Fall - and in many cases the debts were never paid.

Catron also contributed heavily to the Republican Party and its candidates. His position as leader of the party was partially dependent upon this continuous flow of money.

Finally, not all of his investments were shrewd. One in particular, a scheme to develop the American Valley south of Quemado, was a spectacular failure and required a steady stream of funds Catron never recovered.

Catron's response to this

constant drain on his fortune was to become what we now call a "workaholic." He had dreams of traveling with his wife, but never seemed to be able to get away from his business concerns. He worked long hours, tracking investments, dunning those who owed him, "wheeling and dealing." There was little time left for pleasure.

From the first, Catron was convinced that when New Mexico became a state, the resulting stability would double the value of his holdings, bring new settlers to the state, allow increased investment and generally cure his financial ills. He was to work persistently towards that end for years.

Next week: Statehood.

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

All Ruidoso school bands to participate in Spencer concert

High school band in national festival today

Ruidoso school bands will perform in a Spring concert at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts.

Performing bands include the White Mountain Intermediate Beginning Band, the Ruidoso Middle School Concert Band, the Ruidoso High School Symphonic Band, and the Ruidoso High School Jazz Band.

The high school band went to Las Vegas, Nev., Wednesday to participate in a national festival and was to return to Ruidoso Sunday, in time for

the Spring Concert.

The public is invited to the concert, which is free of charge. Call Ruidoso High School, 258-4910, or Ruidoso Middle School, 257-7324, for more information.

The newly formed jazz band played at basketball games this spring, and both the high school and middle school bands participated in two large group festivals at Cloudcroft and Las Cruces; they received ratings of good or excellent at both events.

FUNERALS DEATHS

Proceso Salcido

A rosary for Proceso Salcido, 68, of Hondo will be at 8 p.m. today at St. Jude's Catholic Church in San Patricio. Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Saturday at St. Jude's, with Father Richard Catanach officiating. Burial will follow at the Proceso Salcido Cemetery.

Mr. Salcido died Wednesday, April 28, at his residence. Born March 28, 1911, in Hondo to Faustino and Maria (Chavez) Salcido, he was preceded in death by his parents, seven brothers and one sister.

He married Dominga Uilbarri in Roswell on Dec. 14, 1931. They enjoyed 68 years of marriage. She survives him at the family home.

A lifelong resident of the Hondo area, he served as justice of the peace during the 1940s. He was a member of St. Jude's and the Knights of Columbus.

Survivors include his wife, Dominga; a son, Julian Salcido of Albuquerque; daughters Elizabeth Sambrano of Carrizozo and Johnnie McTeigue of Hondo; a sister, Savanio Torres of Roswell; 14 grandchildren, 32 great-grandchildren; and six great-great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be Curtis McTeigue,

Jerome McTeigue, Gilbert Sambrano, Lorenzo Sambrano, Dominique Casaus and Nathan Casaus. Honorary pallbearers will be his remaining grandchildren.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Ballard Funeral Home.

Frank Gomez

Funeral Mass for Frank Gomez, 87, of Glencoe, will be at 10 a.m. today at St. Jude's Catholic Church with the Rev. Richard Catanach officiating. Burial will follow at St. Jude's Catholic Cemetery.

Mr. Gomez died Tuesday, April 27, at his home.

He was born Dec. 13, 1911, in Ruidoso and lived in the Hondo Valley all his life. He was a retired road maintenance foreman for the State Highway Department and was a member of St. Jude's. He married Grace Chavez on Feb. 17, 1934, in Carrizozo; she died on June 9, 1988.

Survivors include sons William Gomez of Glencoe, Juan Gomez of Hondo and Leroy Gomez of Las Cruces; daughters Amelia Candelaria of San Patricio, Beatrice Silva of Capitan, Rita Herrera of San Patricio, Priscilla Torres of Las Cruces and Lydia Moreno of Rome, Ga.; brothers Robert

Gomez of Ruidoso and Albert Gomez of Santa Fe; sisters Stella Romero of Silver City, Ignacia Pacheco of San Patricio and Carmelita Candelaria of Alamogordo; 46 grandchildren; 65 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

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

Lucy L. Chavez

A prayer service is scheduled at 7 p.m. today at the Ballard Chapel in Roswell for Lucy L. Chavez, 68, who died Thursday at Eastern New Mexico Medical Center.

The funeral will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at the chapel. Marcelino Banda, pastor of the Spanish Church of Christ of Brownfield, Texas, will officiate. Burial will follow at South Park Cemetery.

Born Jan. 24, 1931, in Carrizozo to Manuel and Emilia Lueras, she married Willie Chavez Jr. in Roswell in 1949.

Survivors include her husband and Ruidoso residents Minnie and Paul Guevara and Jake and Sharon Lueras of Carrizozo, and many other sisters and children, and nine grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

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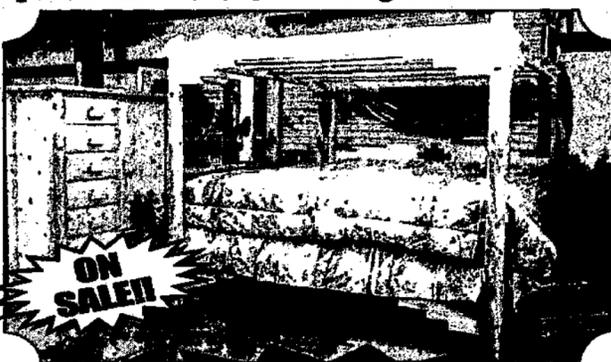


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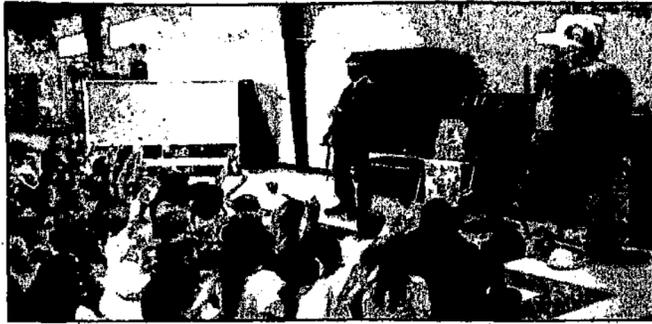


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Gun safety for children is promoted by one big bird at Sierra Vista

A rapt audience at Sierra Vista Primary School rapped along with Eddie Eagle during an instructional session on gun safety sponsored by the Ruidoso Gun Club.



Sandy Suggitt/Ruidoso News

BY SANDY SUGGITT
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A six-foot furry yellow eagle got first- and second-graders singing rap music at Sierra Vista Primary School Wednesday.

"Stop! Don't touch! Leave the area. Tell an adult," rapped Eddie Eagle, a cartoon character sent to the school by the Ruidoso Gun Club to teach gun safety.

Eddie Eagle's alter ego, David Mader, rapped through eight presentations of about half an hour each, and Ruidoso Police Detective Doug Babcock

talked to the children and asked them for their experiences. In another room, another member of the police department, Dewayne Goar, simultaneously gave presentations for other classes that Eddie Eagle visits at the end of each.

Mader, a member of the Ruidoso Gun Club, said this is a National Rifle Association program that he started in Ruidoso last year. In a year or two more programs may be added, he said.

The children watched a short cartoon video of Eddie Eagle being born and then flying around teaching children gun safety. The students leave with a workbook, a cartoon book, a handout, a sticker and a parents' guide to gun safety. Brittany Clement, a second-

grader, said her uncle has a gun for hunting but she and her siblings don't even know where it is. Lana Cochise, also in second grade, said the presentation "was fun because Eddie Eagle was there."

Judging by some of the questions, Babcock said, some of the children are in a home environment that's not safe and don't have adequate supervision.

Mader said that in general accidental shootings have gone down as people have become aware of the dangers. "But in rural areas there are a lot of guns around," he said.

By the end of the presentation, the children knew the words to Eddie Eagle's rap song and were rapping them out rhythmically.

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Timing adds dramatic touch to disaster drill at airport

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Bone fragments from a leg fracture jutted through Juan Arreola's jeans, but he didn't seem to care. A gash ran across Megan Lamb's cheek, but she was deep in conversation with a friend.

Students from the Ruidoso High School drama classes of Cathi McIntosh looked like victims of an airplane crash. That's just what Tomas Chavez, Ruidoso emergency management director, wanted as he prepared for a mock disaster drill Wednesday.

The students spent three hours receiving special touches from the EMS (Emergency Medical Services) District III Moulage Team, based in Clovis.

But while the mood was light before the drill began, Chavez said the exercise took on special significance, because participants knew that a few days earlier they had been at the Sierra Blanca Regional Airport for real, searching for the scattered remains of

a downed airplane and its passengers. Besides the 24 students, 65 emergency personnel responded when the mock disaster call went out to various agencies.

"Overall, the drill went real well," Chavez said Thursday. "There's always something that goes wrong, but that's why we do it, to test the resources available, and to use the emergency management plan I just read."

A breakdown in communication occurred at one point, but local ham operators and the Lincoln County Sheriff's dispatch took up the slack and kept Chavez in touch with emergency teams trying to rescue the crash victims and, in a simultaneous drill, putting out a fire at Grindstone Lake in Ruidoso.

"The fire drill was to test how our mutual-aid agreement functioned," he said.

The communications breakdown also was a good test for possible Y2K impacts that some people predict will shut down large segments of the gov-



As his friends receive the finishing touches on their "wounds," Juan Arreola, a drama student at Ruidoso High School, prepares to portray a victim of an airplane crash as part of a disaster drill.

ernment by disrupting computers as the world passes into the year 2000.

McIntosh said she's proud of her students' performances.

"The kids are used to acting and they did a fabulous job," she said.

"Some of the EMS guys were cracking jokes, but my kids didn't break character. It was cold and windy, and they were lying out there for an hour without blankets, without shoes and with ripped shirts."

Students who played people in shock, roamed the crash site dazed, she said. One girl took the role of a woman who couldn't find her baby and was hysterical.

"They're all back to normal today," McIntosh said, "except that a few are coughing."

Previous drama classes have participated in similar drills, but it was a new experience this time for all 24 students, who are in second- through fourth-year classes.

"Everybody did a great job," Chavez said. Participating agencies included the Ruidoso Downs police dispatch and fire department, the U.S. Forest Service, the Ruidoso Fire Department and police department, volunteer fire departments from Bonto and Fort Stanton, the state police and the Federal Emergency Management Agency in the person of Scott Magnus, an exercise evaluator.

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Correction

In Wednesday's story about the Ruidoso High School tennis team, two team members' last names were transposed. The correct names are Bryant Davis and Jeremy Phillips.

This week

TODAY
Baseball
Ruidoso vs. Hot Springs, 3 p.m. and 5 p.m.; White Mountain Recreation Complex
Saturday
Track and field
District 6AA championships, 9 a.m., Capitan High School
Ruidoso at Ross Black Relays, 1 p.m., Lovington
Tennis
Ruidoso at Artesia Inv., 8 a.m.
Softball
Ruidoso vs. Santa Teresa, 11 a.m. and 1 p.m., All American Park, Ruidoso Downs

Scoreboard

Friday, April 23
Tennis
Boys - Ruidoso 9, Lovington 0
Singles: No. 1 J. Anderson (R) def. J. Graham 6-0, 6-3; No. 2 C. Flanary (R) def. C. Tipton, 6-1, 4-6, 6-0; No. 3 B. Davis (R) def. C. Stephenson, 6-4, 6-3; No. 4 J. Phillips (R) def. J. White, 6-0, 6-0; No. 5 R. Brown (R) def. M. Prudencio 6-0, 6-2; No. 6 S. Sharma (R) def. S. Lunsford, 3-6, 6-3, 6-3.
Doubles: No. 1 Anderson/Flanary (R) def. Graham/Tipton 6-1, 6-7, 6-0; No. 2 Davis/Phillips (R) def. Stephenson/White, 7-5, 6-0; No. 3 Brown/Sharma (R) def. Prudencio/Lunsford, 8-5.
Girls - Ruidoso 6, Lovington 3
Singles: No. 1 H. Maker (L) def. D. Shade, 7-5, 6-0; No. 2 S. Carter (L) def. J. Bennett, 6-2, 6-3. Ruidoso wins four singles matches by default.
Doubles: No. 2 Maker/Carter (L) def. Goes/Espin 6-2, 6-2. Ruidoso wins two matches by default.

On deck

Three-on-Three Paint Ball Tournament, Saturday and Sunday
A three-on-three paint ball tournament to benefit the Australian All-Star Tour is set for 10 a.m. Saturday and Sunday. Entry fee is \$75 for the double elimination tournament. Field paint only is allowed. Cost is \$75 per case or \$5 for 100. CO2 is provided. For more information, call Deke at 336-4504.

White Mountain Search and Rescue Golf Benefit, May 4
Members and non-members are welcome at the White Mountain Search and Rescue Golf Benefit set for 1 p.m. Tuesday, May 4, at Alto Lakes Golf and Country Club. Entry fee is \$75 and includes 18 holes of golf, cart and buffet. Tournament format is Calloway, plus prizes for longest drive and closest to pin. Entry forms are available from Trudy Alexander at Alexander Mortgage, 258-1158.

Three-on-Three Basketball Tournament, May 8
A three-on-three open basketball tournament is set for Saturday, May 8, at the Capitan High School gym. Entry fee is \$80 and is limited to the first 16 teams. The double elimination tournament will benefit the Australian All-Star Tour. For more information, call Deke at 336-4504.

Gray Hawk Invitational Softball Tournament, May 7-9
The Noisy Water Gray Hawks are sponsoring a Men's Class Open and D/E and Women's Equalizer softball tournament May 7-9 at the Eagle Creek Sports Complex. For more information, contact Ruidoso Area Director, Rafael Salas, at the Ruidoso Parks and Recreation Office, 257-5030.

Fishing report

RIO RUIDOSO: The river is flowing at 9 CFS. Fish numbers have increased. Some stocking by Game and Fish. Best patterns are still pheasant tails, caddis larva, green rock worms and princeps. Nymphs are always better producers. Expect flows to stabilize with recent rainfall.
BONITO CREEK: Above the lake, flows are 6 CFS. Flows below the lake are 5 CFS. Same nymphs on the Ruidoso will work here. Below the lake the creek is fishable and trout are scattered.
AUTO LAKE: Unfishable. Deemed unsuitable for trout by Game and Fish Department. No stocking planned in the future.
GRINDSTONE RESERVOIR: Lake level is about two feet over bankfull. Fishing has been good. Streamers and pistol pates are best along with some nymph action.
BONITO LAKE: Lake level is full and flowing over spillway. Road construction still hampers access. Some parking is allowed in West Lake Campground. Best patterns are beats, midges, golden stone, nymphs and dries both.
LAKE MESCALERO: Lake level is steady. Will be May 1st before boats are available. Good dry fly action mid-morning and late evening. Griffiths gnats, hornbergs and caddis are best choices.
Silver Lake has been fairly productive. All other waters on the reservation open Saturday. Eagle Lakes and Upper Canyon expect to Saturday as well.
Mark your calendars - the annual Ruidoso River Clean-up is May. All participants will be appreciated.

Mike Hyman
Ruidoso River Association

DISTRICT 6AA TRACK CHAMPIONSHIP PREVIEW



Jessica Castaneda of Capitan will try to qualify for the state meet in the 400-meter and mile runs at districts Saturday.

GIRLS 6AA

Tiger girls hope for a Tulie miscue

BY LAURA CLYMER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Anyway he figures it, his Tigers come up short. Capitan girls track coach Bryan Massé has added and re-added the numbers and the possibilities, and every time the Tigers are anywhere from 20 to 28 points behind three-time defending District 6AA champion Tularosa heading into Saturday's district championships in Capitan. It has left Massé with this conclusion.

"We're going to try and run the medley relay as tough as we can and the mile relay tough," Massé said. "We're going to give Jessica Castaneda a chance to qualify in the mile and quarter-mile (runs) this week."

It's not Massé's preference to go into a district meet this way - focusing on qualifying individuals for the state meet, but at the April 23 Slade Relays in Tularosa, Massé was confronted with some ugly numbers.

"I'm not going to cherry-coat it. We were second by a lot," he said.

A much-improved Dexter team could challenge the Tigers for second place.

"They'll be right there with us," he said.

For the Tigers to unseat Tularosa, they'll need some help from Dexter and they'll have to

turn in personal bests Saturday.

"They are not such a runaway that they could screw up one or two things and still easily win," Massé said of Tularosa. "If our girls really perform and their's don't, then there is a possibility."

Saturday's District 6AA meet begins with field events at 9 a.m. Running events start at 11 a.m. There will be three preliminary races and the rest will be finals.

Individuals can qualify for the state meet by finishing first or second at the district meet, or by reaching the qualifying standard. Relay teams must win their relay to qualify for state, or reach the qualifying time.

Capitan already has qualified its 1600-meter medley and 1600-meter relays. Running the medley for the Tigers are Alicia Garcia, Erin Autrey, Krin Autrey and Castaneda. In the mile relay, Massé has five runners to choose from: Garcia, the Autreys, Crystal Roybal and eighth-grader Stephanie Kelsey.

In individual events, Castaneda is qualified in the 800-meter run. Two Tiger throwers, Brooke Holland and Lindsey Bush, are qualified in the discus. Senior Krin Autrey will go to state in the triple and long jumps, and senior foreign exchange student Adrianna Scaff qualified for state in the 100-meter high hurdles at the Slade Relays with a time of 17.3 seconds.

DISTRICT 2A-AAA GOLF CHAMPIONSHIPS PREVIEW

Boys enter district meet as team to beat

BY LAURA CLYMER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

The Ruidoso Warrior boys golf team aims for its eighth-straight District 2A-AAA championship Tuesday in Socorro.

But defending the district title won't be foremost on the minds of the Warriors, said Ruidoso coach Ron Wall.

"The focus is on state. We want to get down there and play the course a couple more times," Wall said.

The Warriors are riding two big wins as they head into district championships, which will be played on the New Mexico Tech Golf Course. Tee time is 9 a.m.

Tuesday, the Warriors came back from two shots down to win the Dona Ana Tournament over second-place Las Cruces. Two weeks ago, Ruidoso claimed its first overall title in the Leroy Gooch

Invitational April 20, beating out 29 other teams.

The win in Las Cruces puts a target on the backs of the Warriors.

"It means we're going to be seeded first in the state tournament, and that puts pressure on you," Wall said.

The Warriors proved they are more than a one-man team, led by junior Ben Andrews, last year's Class A-AAA individualist champion.

"The best part of it all was that our boys were really consistent. Our team was solid. We didn't just have one kid carry us," Wall said.

Senior foreign exchange student Andy Ahlm has been hot of late, Wall said.

"Andy won the first tournament in the fall for us and then he kind of petered out. But in the last two matches



Felicia Gooch and her Warrior teammates seek a trip to state.

Tigers take aim at eighth district title

BY LAURA CLYMER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

The question might not be if the Capitan Tiger boys track team will win its eighth-straight District 6AA title, but by how much.

The Tigers defend their district crown beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday in Capitan. Field events start at 9 a.m., followed by running events at 11 a.m. With only three preliminary running events set, the rest will be finals.

Despite the fact that his team posted an impressive win in its last outing - Capitan ran away with the Slade Relays, scoring 198 points to second-place Tularosa's 66 - Tiger coach Ed Davis talked as though Saturday's meet will be close.

"Dexter is pretty tough. Cloudcroft can take some points away from us," Davis said. "We're going to have to perform. Dexter is going to be right there, clipping at our heels."

Last year the Tigers won the district meet by 80 points. With a set of even stronger distance runners, Capitan could increase that margin.

Justin Jones, who was high-point individual at the Slade Relays, and fellow runners Tyler Haughness, Truman Armstrong and Adam Hobbs have run well of late, Davis said.

The Tigers are already strong in the sprints and relays. Capitan is qualified in the 400-meter, 800-meter and 1600-meter relays. All it lacks is the medley relay, which is just less than a second off the qualifying standard of 3 minutes, 51.9 seconds.

Darin Sedillo, James Robinson, James Tacey and Jones will try to shave off that second Saturday in the medley.

Even though it looks as though his team is a shoe-in, Davis won't take any chances



Tiger pole vaulter Ryan Switzer cleared 13 feet, 1 1/2 inches the last time he performed at home.

comes Saturday. "When it comes district time, we're going to do what we have to win the team district title," Davis said.

Tiger sprinters Robinson and Tacey have qualified for state in seven and six events respectively.

Pole vaulter Ryan Switzer is set to go to state in his event. The Tiger are close to qualifying in the javelin (Scott Kennedy) and shot put (Jarrett Joy) as well as the triple jump.

To qualify for state, individuals must finish in the top two at the district meet or reach the qualifying standard. Relay teams must finish first in the district meet or meet the qualifying standard.

Davis will need all the Tigers he can get to state if they are to challenge a talented and deep Fort Sumner Foxes team at the state meet.

"Fort Sumner is loaded. They're standing in command."

Davis said of the Foxes, who are only one of two teams to beat the Tigers at a meet this year. But before they look to Fort Sumner, there's the matter of making it eight-straight district titles on Saturday.

Girls need a 'leg up' to earn a trip to state

More than just the District 2A-AAA title is on the line for the Ruidoso girls golf team this Tuesday. The three-time defending 2A-AAA champion Warriors must shoot a qualifying score to make their fifth-straight appearance at the state tournament.

"They need to qualify for state. They have two legs and need one more," said Ruidoso assistant girls golf coach Jeanne Jackson.

Teams must shoot three qualifying scores, or legs, to advance to the state championships.

Tee time for Tuesday's district championships is 9 a.m. on the New Mexico Tech Golf Course in Socorro.

"They are playing really well considering, except for two, this is the first year of golf for most of the girls," Jackson said.

Senior Melissa Lucero, shot a 98 at the Dona Ana Tournament Monday and Tuesday in Las Cruces to earn her first qualifying leg.

Seeking to upend the Warriors for the district title are the Silver Colts who beat the Warriors by 54 strokes at the Leroy Gooch Invitational April 20.



Laura Clymer/Ruidoso News

Ruidoso junior Ben Andrews and the Warriors shoot for another District 2A-AAA title Tuesday in Socorro. Hopefully, ski hats won't be a needed accessory when the Warriors tee off like they were earlier this month.

GOLF: Warrior boys peak just in time for state meet

Continued from page 1B

he's come around," he said.

That was evident Tuesday in Las Cruces when Ahim fired a second-round, team-best 76 to finish fifth overall individually.

Ruidoso's individual scores for the Doña Ana Tournament were: Ben Andrews 89-78-161; Chris Duncan 81-81-162; Todd Schrader 83-86-169; Colton English DQ-82; Andy Ahim 84-76-160.

The Warriors will play the New Mexico State University golf course a couple of more times before the May 10-11 championships.

Wall said Ruidoso has a leg up on the two teams expected to push it: defending state champion Artesia and Socorro.

Both Artesia and Socorro tried to get in this year's Doña Ana Tournament for a chance to play on the NMSU course.

Wall said Ruidoso has a leg up on the two teams expected to push it: defending state champion Artesia and Socorro.

But invitations went out first to schools that had played in the tournament previously. Because Ruidoso has played Doña Ana the last several years, it was invited to the tournament before other teams.

At Doña Ana, Ruidoso was the only school to shoot a qualifying score of 331 on the Picocho golf course. The next day, the Warriors posted a 317 on the NMSU course. Both days of the state tournament will be played on the NMSU course.

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Ruidoso track coach Ronny Maskew honored five Warrior alumni at Ruidoso's invitational track meet April 17. Among the recipients was Luisa Tam, to whom Maskew awarded a plaque and a hug.

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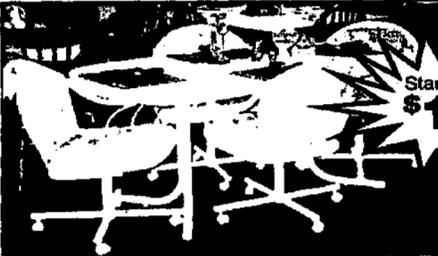
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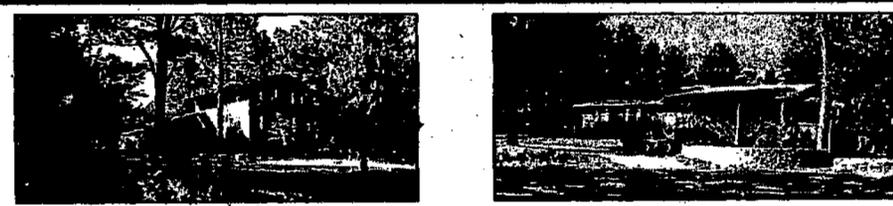
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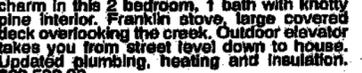
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15 Storage for Rent

UPPER CANYON MINI Storage now renting. Call 257-9673 or 420-0850

L & D SELF STORAGE Hwy. 49 Space available. 258-4599 or 257-9463.

Warehouse for lease 1,600 square feet in Ruidoso Downs on Hwy 70. \$625.00 per month. Call 378-4048 or 258-5091.

17 Business Rentals

OFFICE RETAIL AND CONDO SPACE for lease at Pinetree Square, 2810 Sudderth Drive, 257-5155. Monday thru Friday, 9AM to 4PM.

CAPITAN OFFICE SPACE for rent; 600 sq.ft., Highway 380. Water & electricity included. 648-2108

Mid-town Location - 1200 s.f. retail office, professional use. Large display areas, kitchenette and bath. \$675 per mo. Retail/office. 1-888-556-1349

LAST SPACE AVAILABLE "The Attic Complex" \$550. per month, Call 258-5338

GREAT LOCATION Plaza Center, Sudderth. Approx. 1800 sq. ft. for lease. Richard or Kathy at Coldwell Banker SDC, Realtors 358-8488.

1500 SQ. FT. OF OFFICE space; 3 separate rooms, large reception area, 1 utility room, carpeted, evap. cooling. 258-4093.

18 Bus. Opp.

ARTISTS!!! THE ADOBE, a new gallery specializing in local MEXICAN-MEDIUM originals. Interviewing local artists, commission 25%, call John at 257-8785.

"EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY!" PREPAID PHONE CARD DISTRIBUTORSHIP for sale! This region protected. Call anytime! 258-3377 evenings/weekends 258-2099

CAPITAN - Commercial building centrally located. One real, restrooms, office space, handicapped bathroom, perfect downtown location. \$55,000. Call Jean at Sierra's Real Estate 1-888-556-1349 or 378-4236.

THE 30 SECOND Commercial Easy Income, cover the telephone business. No selling, no special skills, your schedule, total support, 100% earning 4th month part-time. 1-800-315-0417

FOR SALE: Commercial property-retail liquor business, Ruidoso Downs. Qualified buyers only. Call 805-420-0582

LEASE/SELL/TRADE 2800 sq.ft. brick. Excellent condition. 394 Sudderth. Owner Agent. 257-2576

FOR SALE: ABC Kids Outlet -Consignment -Baby Furniture Rental -Tuxedo Rental Long time successful business.

Reduced to \$11,500 Owner financing available Contact Jo Steele Agency at 336-4700

SHOP/STUDIO IN TULAROSA, NM for sale or rent. 1/2 Block from Old Town. High ceilings, 2500 sq. ft. Impressive lighting. Sale price \$22K. Call (410)268-1213 more info.

HAVE IT ALL 618 SUDDERTH Home/Store in 6000 sq.ft. Log building, 3 Rental cabins, 25 trailer spaces, 7 storage units, 18 acres, river frontage. May consider part trade & financing. \$616,000. Owner/agent 257-2576.

MERLE NORMAN COSMETIC Studio, Beauty Salon, inventory & fixtures, \$85,000. Days 257-2121, evenings 258-3979.

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY FOR SALE - Approximately 3300 sq. ft., one-level building in prime commercial location near Farley's. Formerly known as Bentley's Brew Pub. Building and lot only for sale at \$390,000. Call Dick Weber at Tall Pines Realty for details. 257-7786.

19 Autos for Sale

LAS CRUCES TOYOTA 4-WHEEL DRIVE SPECIALS!!! 1998 Ford Expedition \$27,850 4x4, XLT, loaded, 25,000 miles 1996 Jeep Grand Cherokee Ltd \$22,650 V8, 4x4, leather, sunroof, CD, etc... 1993 Jeep Grand Cherokee Ltd. \$14,500 4x4, leather, loaded 1997 Suzuki Sidekick XJ \$9,950 4x4, loaded, automatic, A/C, AM/FM cassette 1990 Toyota 4-Runner \$10,980 4x4, 5-speed, AM/FM, A/C, running boards 1992 Toyota 4-Runner \$13,895 5-sp, 4x4, AM/FM, cassette, sunroof, cruise, A/C 1994 Toyota 4-Runner \$16,950 4x4, auto, AM/FM CD, A/C, running boards 1998 Toyota Rav 4 \$18,995 4x4, autom roof rack, A/C, 4 door 1998 Toyota Rav 4 Conv. \$17,995 4x4, AM/FM CD, A/C 1997 Toyota Rav 4 \$16,998 4x4, AM/FM cass, roof rack, 4 door 1996 Toyota Tacoma \$17,998 4x4, V6. Four to choose from!

1995 BUICK CENTURY Special, 4 door sedan, like new, loaded, with very low mileage. 9180. Asking \$10,000. Call 258-5704, leave message.

1977 OLDS CUTLASS Supreme, 350 w/Egalbrook 600 CFM carb, Performance Intake/Headere, auto trans. Needs windshield and TLC, or race III Call (805)258-2043 days, (505)437-3930 evenings.

FOR SALE 1991 FORD Probe Turbo; runs excellent, \$4,000. 257-4085

Rocky Mountain Motors 2804 Sudderth Ruidoso, New Mexico 1-800-687-0956 505-257-3564 '95 Chevy Blazer 4x4 \$14,995 '95 Pontiac Grand Prix \$6,995 '94 Jeep Grand Cherokee V8 \$13,995 '92 Chevy X/Cab 3/4 Ton \$8,995

1990 BUICK CENTURY LTD V-6, auto-trans, power steering, power brakes, power door locks, power windows, leather, 84K, asking \$4,900. 258-9014

1988 MAZDA P.U. WITH shell, 5 spd, immaculate \$2,200. 378-8178, evenings.

1991 SUBARU LEGACY 4-DOOR sport sedan, Automatic 4WD, pearl white, loaded. Call Tom at 800-748-2528 M-F 8-5 in Clovis, NM \$9000.

1990 LINCOLN 4-DR Towncar, runs & looks good, \$6,500, cash. 257-8820

FOR SALE 1984 MERCURY Topaz, four door, good condition, 165,000 miles. needs minor repairs, asking \$1000. Call Karin, 258-9057, 258-4910.

1947 WILLIS JEEP 4X4; Original engine, runs great, 4x4 works, looks good, has new tires, shocks, rag top and more. Asking \$3,500 OBO. Call (505)356-3536

FOR SALE BY OWNER: 2 Polaris 250 A.T.V. 4 wheelers. Asking \$5,000 for the pair or \$2,800 each. Call 336-4487

1986 HONDA MAGNA 700CC windshield, clean, 44,800 miles, \$1700. OBO, 258-4111, or 258-5020.

1992 OLDSMOBILE REGENCY fully loaded with leather seats, automatic. 257-4459

FOR SALE 7 YEAR OLD Registered Arabian Gelding, \$1,300. 378-7108 or 378-8191

STUDHAM HORSE TRAILER very, very cool!!! trailers; delux, TRAILER, 5000 lbs, \$2,000, no more, no less. Beautiful white rocking chair \$125. 258-5280

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20 Trucks/4x4's

1991 JEEP CHEROKEE Limited 4x4, leather interior, inside, outside, excellent condition, runs excellent, \$8,000 OBO. 505-848-1195

1978 BRONCO AUTO. 4WD \$36-1242

1992 SUBARU LOYALE wagon, 4x4, 4 door, one owner, a/c, 132k, \$2,200. 683-4876

96 TOYOTA TACOMA, V6, extended cab, 4WD, 5spd, bed liner, \$16,500, 258-3817.

Y2K READY! 1978 INTERNATIONAL Scout, 4x4, guaranteed, transmission, w/ air, only 82,000 miles. Runs great! \$2,500. 287-8388, evenings.

1982 Ford Bronco 4x4, new tires, standard; 1987 Ford Ranger 4x4, new tires & rims. 420-0511

1992 SUBARU LOYALE 4x4 4-door wagon, all power, a/c, runs & looks immaculate, \$3,885. 650-4440

1991 CHEVY 3/4 TON 454, V-8, auto, air, good condition, 100K, \$4,500 O.B.O. 336-9112

90 SUBARU WAGON, GOOD condition, \$2850. 258-5877.

1994 FORD F-150 XLT S/cab, 4x4, V-8, auto, captain's chairs, A/C, cassette, Nice Truck! Ask for Tracy at 257-4001 days, (505)437-3930 weekends

1998 Ford Expedition Eddie Bauer 4x4. Rear air, 3rd seat, 18,000 mi., wetgewood blue with graphics. \$32,500 - Call 258-3204 or 420-3560.

1986 FORD PU; 4WD, XLT Lariat Super-cab, one owner, low mileage, good shape, \$6,000 cash. 257-6620

1991 FORD EXPLORER XLT; 4WD, Excellent condition, \$6,500 firm! 257-7689 or 338-4197.

DUMP TRUCK; 1983 FORD 370 V-8, under CIL. Great shape, 6-year dump, \$5,500. 354-3197, 420-7100

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30" ELECTRIC RANGE, 35" Park Model Mobile with 35" addition, Space 68, Recreation Village. Owner space 70 or call 258-3593.

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29 Pets & Supplies - AKC REGISTERED BEAUTIFUL, Healthy German Shepherds, 1st shots, parents on premises, black & tan, 258-9272.

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23 Household - FURNITURE AND MORE, 1600 Sudderth, 3,000 square feet of used furniture, antiques and collectibles. Lots of new inventory in. Come browse!

Joyce's Furniture. "Since 1979" New & Used Furniture & Mattresses We Buy, Sell & Trade. 650 Sudderth - 257-7575

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DINING TABLE & CHAIRS, 6pc, vinyl rocker recliner, extendable, matching refrigerator, freezer, good condition, 257-9071

Mansfield Furniture "Buy, Sell or Trade" New & Used Furniture & Mattresses 257-8109 - 1000 Sudderth Dr.

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ANTIQUE AND COLLECTIBLES MALL opening soon in Ruidoso! Charming log cabin with much personality and high visibility. For information and to reserve vendor space, call (505) 887-6848.

HEIRLOOM FURNITURE 1920's Art Deco Wardrobe will sell for \$920. Appraised at \$385. Late 1930's carved dark wood rocking chair - two generations of children rocked to sleep. Will sell for \$315. Appraised at \$375. Call 257-6627

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KINGS TREASURE THRIFT STORE Mon-Fri 8:30-5:30pm Sat. 10-2pm. Refrigerator, home decor., new Spring items daily. 100 Gavilan Canyon Rd. 378-8113

TWO AVAILABLE! '73 & '74 project Cassia 150's, disassembled, 2 engines available, \$9,500. Will deliver. 354-2610, 257-4907 or 258-5222

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135 YARDS OF CARPET, & PAD excellent condition. Available Thursday, April 29, 258-5886.

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STEEL BUILDING in original crate. 40x24 was \$5,880 now \$2,969. Jim 1-800-292-0111.

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AVON PRODUCTS - Start your own business. Work flexible hours. Enjoy unlimited earnings. Call toll free (888)942-4053.

HOUSEKEEPER NEEDED immediately. Must be dependable & hard working. Apply in person at Ramada Limited, 1420 E. Hwy 70.

WORK AROUND YOUR SCHEDULE \$500-\$8000 FT/FT Training Provided Free info 1-800-801-3759, www.hotbizsite.com

NOTICE OF VACANCY

Position: Elementary Teacher
Salary: According to district approved scale
Reporting date: August 1999
Application deadline: June 1, 1999
Qualifications: • Must hold, or be eligible to hold, a New Mexico teaching license.
 • Bilingual preferred, but not required.
Application procedure: Applicants should submit the following:
 1. letter of interest
 2. resume
 3. at least three letters of reference
 4. transcripts
 5. credentials
Send application packet to:
 Barbara A. Perea Casey, Superintendent
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IMMEDIATE OPENINGS!
 • Bartenders (must be 21)
 • Buses
 • Cooks
 • Hostesses
 • Servers (must be 21)
 Please apply in person or send resume to:
 Che Bella II
 2823 Sudderth
 Ruidoso, NM 88345
 257-7540

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 Lincoln County is now accepting applications for the position of DISPATCHER in the Lincoln County Sheriff's Department, located in Carrizozo, New Mexico. Applicant must be 18 years or over, must have a high school diploma or G.E.D. and must be able to obtain a New Mexico Dispatcher Certification within one year from date of hire and N.C.I.C. Certification within six months from date of hire. Obtain application at the Lincoln county Manager's Office in Carrizozo or by calling (505) 648-2385. Applications must be received no later than 5:00 p.m., Monday, May 10, 1999. Lincoln County, Equal Opportunity Employer and in compliance with ADA requirements, title II-A.

Notice of Vacancies
Ruidoso Municipal Schools
Ruidoso, New Mexico
Date of notice: April 26, 1999
Position: Principal - Ruidoso High School
 Grades 9 - 12 (675 students)
 Qualifications: Current NM Administrative License, three years successful experience in high school administration, experience with block scheduling.
Position: Principal - Ruidoso Middle School
 Grades 7 - 8 (400 students)
 Qualifications: Current NM Administrative License, three years successful experience in middle school administration.
Contract period: 11 months
Start date: August 2, 1999
Salary: Per Ruidoso Municipal School Salary Schedule
Application process: Submit a letter of interest, application, and resume. For application and information, write or call:
 Mike Gladden, Superintendent
 Ruidoso Municipal Schools
 200 Horton Circle
 Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345
 Telephone (505) 257-4051
Selection process: Selected applicants will be interviewed following initial screening of application materials submitted.
Application deadline: May 14, 1999
The Ruidoso Municipal School District is an Equal Opportunity Employer and does not discriminate on the basis of race, national origin, religion, sex, marital status, or disability in compliance with federal and state laws.

NEEDED IMMEDIATELY!
 Nursery worker for our church nursery, Sunday mornings & evenings and Wednesday evenings. Excellent salary. Please come by First Baptist Church of Ruidoso office to complete an application or call 257-2081.

LOG CABIN NOW HIRING
 dishwasher, cook, and bus person. Apply in person 1074 Mechem.

SERVERS NEEDED.
 Must be over 21. Apply at 725 Sudderth Pizza Hut anytime.

TRAINEES WANTED. We pay you while you learn technical skills. Openings in many fields. Good starting salary. Complete an application as a salary. Call 1-800-354-9827.

KBUY AND KWES RADIO
 program Director and Morning Show Host, full time position with Ruidoso based company. Benefits and two weeks paid vacation. Send Resume to KBUY/KWES Radio, P.O. Box 39, Ruidoso, NM 88355, Attn: RH EOE

HELP WANTED
K-BOB'S
 All Positions
 Apply in person
 Mon.-Fri., 3-5p.m.

DESK, HOUSEKEEPING
 and janitorial help needed at Super 8 Motel. No current applications on file. Applicant can expect 32 hours per week, evenings and weekends. Looking for friendly, computer compatible, bilingual a plus. Apply in person.

SUBWAY NOW HIRING
 Shift supervisor: nights & weekends. Must be over 18. Apply in person only at 148 Sudderth, Ruidoso.

ATTENTION! Delivery
 drivers needed. Make up to \$12.50 per hr. Apply at both Pizza Huts 257-5161 or 259-3033.

Direct Care Staff
 Position Available
 Challenging work with mentally retarded and developmentally disabled clients. Will train the right person for this demanding position. Casa Feliz at Ruidoso Care Center 257-9071

ALTO COUNTRY CLUB
 NOW accepting applications for waitstaff and bus help. Please apply in person #1 Country Club Lane, Alto, ask for Tina.

HOUSEKEEPERS NEEDED
 Full or Part-time. Above minimum salary. Apply in person or call Innbruck Lodge, 601 Sudderth 257-4071.

RNs & LPNs
 needed at Ruidoso Care Center \$2000 sign-on bonus. Contact Human Resources at 257-9071

DISHWASHERS WANTED!
 Full-time positions. Apply in person at Cafe Wanda, 2084 E. Hwy 70, Ruidoso Downs.

WATSTAFF NEEDED. Must be 21 years old. Apply anytime, Pizza Hut, 1201 Mechem.

CASA BLANCA is accepting applications for all positions. Looking for people willing to work hard and get paid well. Apply in person 501 Mechem Dr.

BONITA PARK CAMP and Conference Center, a Christian camp, is accepting applications for summer employment positions. The positions include cook, janitor, dishroom and activities and are full-time and part-time. For more information call the camp at 336-4404.

ARE YOU READY TO LOSE
 weight? 45 people needed. Will pay you to lose up to 30 lbs. in 30 days. Call Tina toll free at 1-888-298-2069.

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 & 1st year income \$35K-Stevens Transport-OTR Truck Drivers Wanted! Non-experience or experienced-888-286-8817. EOE

IMMEDIATE OPENING!
 Part-time TV & Appliance Sales! Person needed. Full-time sales. Some sales experience helpful for above positions. Apply at or send resume to: TV & Appliance 149 Highway 70 Ruidoso, NM 88345 Interviews by Appointment Only

THE VILLAGE OF CAPITAN
 is accepting applications for two full-time Street Laborers. \$1,000-\$1,200 per month salary, with benefits. Must have current NM Driver's license and CDL license if recommended, but not required. Must have some general knowledge of heavy equipment. Complete job description and applications are available at the Village of Capitan, Box 245, Capitan, NM 88316, phone number (505)354-2247, between the hours of 8:00-4:30 Monday thru Friday. Applications will be accepted until 4:00 p.m. on May 7th, 1999. The Village is an Equal Opportunity Employer. /s/Deborah Curmine Clerk-Treasurer CMC Village of Capitan

HELP WANTED: ALL POSITIONS. Apply in person, High Country Lodge, Hwy 48, Alto, N.M. No phone calls please.

MIDTOWN GIFT SHOP
 needs part-time sales clerk, 257-9642.

LICENSED JOURNEYMAN
 Top wages. Frontier Electric of Ruidoso Inc. 257-9511

TEMPORARY SOLID WASTE
 Laborer, salary \$5.89 hourly. Apps accepted until positions are filled. Complete job desc. and apps. at the Village of Ruidoso, 313 Cree Meadows Dr., Ruidoso, NM 88345. 257-3343 FAX-259-8017. EEOE.

EXPERIENCED MATURE
 wait people and cooks. Apply in person at Cree Meadows Restaurant.

SALES REP NEEDED TO
 sell & distribute N.M. Wine, part-time. Established route in SE N.M. Ruidoso based, reliable car that can haul wine required. Prefer sales/wine experience. Send resume to N.M. Wineries, P.O. Box 1180, Deming, NM 88031.

GREAT WALL OF CHINA
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS
NOTICE is hereby given that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners shall hold Public Hearings beginning at 1:00 P.M. on Thursday, May 20, 1990, to be held at the Lincoln County Courthouse, Commission Chambers, in Carrizozo, New Mexico, to consider the following:
1. PROPOSED ORDINANCE ADOPTING A SECOND ONE-EIGHTH PERCENT (1/8%) OF THE COUNTY GROSS RECEIPTS TAX TO BE USED FOR THE SUPPORT OF INDIGENT PATIENTS WHO ARE RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN
2. PROPOSED ORDINANCE PROHIBITING IMPROPER HANDLING OF FIRE; PROVIDING PROCEDURES TO DECLARE AN EXTREME FIRE DANGER EMERGENCY; ESTABLISHING GUIDELINES FOR THE SALE, POSSESSION OF DISCHARGE OF FIREWORKS; AND REGULATING AND/OR PROHIBITING THE USE OF AERIAL AND GROUND AUDIBLE DEVICES DURING EXTREME DROUGHT CONDITIONS
The proposed ordinance prohibiting improper handling of fire, etc., will be handled as an emergency Ordinance and will be considered for public input and final adoption, if proposed Ordinance is adopted by the Board of Commissioners on May 20, 1990, this Ordinance will become effective immediately.
All parties and interested citizens will have the opportunity to be heard. Copies of the proposed ordinances may be obtained from the County Manager's Office at the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting.
MARTA GUEVARA
ASSISTANT COUNTY MANAGER
2163-11(4)30

LEGAL NOTICE

CALL FOR BIDS
The Ruidoso Valley Public Schools is receiving bids to provide propane for the 1989-2000 school year. The sealed bid must be received by 2:00 p.m., May 12, 1990. Specifications for the services are available in the office of the Superintendent, P.O. Box 55, Ruidoso, NM 88345. The Board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids submitted, waiving minor technicalities. Ruidoso Valley Public Schools is an equal opportunity employer.
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The Ruidoso Valley Public Schools is selling an industrial dishwasher and is accepting

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HIGHWAY COMMISSION TO MEET IN RUIDOSO
SANTA FE - The New Mexico State Highway Commission will meet on Thursday, May 13, 1990, at the Swiss Chalet Inn, 1451 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico.
The Policy Committee, Finance Committee, Intermodal Committee and the Legal Committee will meet Thursday morning. Memberships of these committees is less than a quorum of the full Commission; however, the meetings are open to the public.
A copy of the tentative Agenda may be obtained by contacting Lina Guillares, Administrator for Secretary Pete Rahn, at 505-827-5113.
The six-member Commission consists of Holm O. Burum, III, Chairman; Sherry Galloway; Edward Begay; Albert N. Sanchez; Pete T. Mooker; and Sid Strebeck, Members.
Pursuant to the American with Disabilities Act of 1990, notice compelling reasons dictate otherwise, meetings and hearings conducted by the Commission will be held in accessible buildings. Given reasonable notice, interpreters and readers will be made available to the hearing and visually impaired. For more information contact Muffett Foy Cuddy, ADA Coordinator, New Mexico State Highway and Transportation Department at 827-1774 by 5:00 p.m. on or before November 25, 1989. 2174 11(4)30

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sealed bids. Sealed bids for the purchase of the dishwasher must be received by 2:00 p.m., May 12, 1999. The Board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

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LEGAL NOTICE

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN ALBERT DEIBLER, deceased.

PROBATE NO. PB-89-20

NOTICE TO CREDITORS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned personal representative at PO Box 4541, Ruidoso, NM 88355 or to the attorney for the personal representative, Charles E. Hawthorne at 1096 Mechem Drive Suite 302, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345, or filed with the District Court of Lincoln County.

Dated: March 30, 1999.

/s/ANGELA D. DEIBLER Personal Representative of the Estate of John Albert Deibler, Deceased

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MARTHA GUEVARA ASSISTANT COUNTY MANAGER 2167 1T(4)20

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NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Notice is hereby given that until 4:00pm, May 21, 1999, sealed competitive proposals will be accepted from qualified independent Public Accounts to perform the audit of the Village of Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1999.

Any interested party may obtain specifications from or submit proposals to:

Leann Weibracht, CMC Village Clerk/Treasurer 122 Downs Drive P.O. Box 348 Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346

All proposals shall be sealed and marked on the envelope "1998/99 FISCAL YEAR AUDIT PROPOSAL 5-21-99." All proposals shall be in writing, and the Village Council reserves the right to reject or accept any and/or all proposals in the best interest of the Village.

BY ORDER OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL Leann Weibracht, CMC Clerk/Treasurer 2172 2T(4)30(6)5

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of Trustees will hold a public hearing on May 10, 1999 at 8:30 p.m. at the Village Hall Building. The purpose of the public hearing is to discuss the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) objectives. The CDBG Program will 1) Benefit principally low and moderate income persons 2) Aid in the prevention or elimination of slum or blight 3) Meet other community development needs having a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of a community where other financial resources are not available to meet such needs.

The CDBG Program will allow localities to apply for assistance under seven funding categories: 1) Community Infrastructure 2) Housing 3) Public Service Capital Outlay 4) Economic Development 5) Emergency 6) Planning 7) Contingency

The CDBG Program will be discussed in length. The public is encouraged to attend.

/s/ Deborah Cummins Clerk-Treasurer, CMC Village of Capitán 2170 2T(4)30(6)5

LEGAL NOTICE

The Planning and Zoning Commission of the Village of Ruidoso will hold a regular meeting on May 18, 1999 at Village Hall, 212 Cree Meadows Drive. The meeting will begin at 2:00 P.M. The purpose of the meeting will be to consider Case # PV99-010 a Variance requested for the following described property:

Lot 13, Block 2, Highwood Addition, So. Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico.

By order of the PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION. /s/Cleatus R. Richards Planning Administrator 2173 1T(4)30

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MOVING SALE FRI. & SAT. furniture, antiques, crystal, kitchenware, tack, tools, Snapon etc., patio furniture, electric tools. St. Rt. 48 to mile marker 18, follow signs. Also 11 horse Honda pressure washer.

429 BARCUS RD. SAT. 8:00am - 4:00pm. Built-in oven, kitchenaid, dish washer, cooktop with hood, lots of misc. items.

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YARD SALE SAT 8-2PM. Miscellaneous items including videos, 205 Drooping Juniper, off Grinstone Rd. No Early Birds!

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Final Preliminary Budget Hearing for Fiscal Year 1999-2000 at 1:00 P.M., on Thursday, May 20, 1999, to be held at the Lincoln County Courthouse, Commission Chambers, in Carrizozo, New Mexico. Auxiliary aides are available upon request; please contact Martha Guevara at 505/648-2385 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting to make any necessary arrangements. MARTHA GUEVARA ASSISTANT COUNTY MANAGER 2164 1T(4)30

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Marty Racine

Rod Fiddler, one-time artist, still is — but now it's with a cookbook and a taste for good international cuisine.

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Spanky's

A gallery succeeds as a restaurant without any chicken-fried steak

BY MARTY RACINE
RUIDOSO NEWS CORRESPONDENT

The ghost wears a brown coat, brown shoes and gray slacks. And every so often the pots hanging in the kitchen will clang for no visible reason.

The apparition — possibly a gentleman caller from when the building was a bordello — is not the only character inhabiting Spanky's Café in Capitan.

There are the owners, longtime artists crazy enough to believe an "alternative eatery" could survive in a chicken-fried-steak town; a waiter who writes and makes guns; and Tippy The Big White Dog. Tippy rules the balcony and barks at the trucks rumbling down Smokey Bear Boulevard.

So it's no surprise that Spanky's is rated among the top restaurants in New Mexico. Some feel it makes the best pizza anywhere. It takes reservations from New Orleans and counts out-of-towners as regulars.

It was opened five years ago by Rod Fiddler and Jan Kennedy, who met while working at an art foundry in Colorado. A painter and sculptor, Fiddler was once commissioned to sculpt "lousy artwork that sold for thousands of dollars. Worked on a three-foot Mickey Mouse in Florida. I said when I see Goofy that's it."

The couple wandered to California, Arizona and back to Colorado. When Fiddler entered the Pennsylvania Institute of Culinary Arts, one of the premier cooking schools in the

country, Kennedy accompanied him to Pittsburgh.

But she didn't care for the East and returned to help open an art foundry in Lincoln. Fiddler joined her when he finished school, with no intention of opening a restaurant.

"I came out here just to paint because I've been chasing her around for I don't know how many years."

The building at 101 Smokey Bear Boulevard had, in addition to a bordello, been a pharmacy, bar and assorted restaurants. After 15 years as B&L Pizza it was sold to a couple who went out of business in four months. Then, Fiddler and Kennedy bought it.

They remodeled the "shabby" structure that included an upstairs living quarters and named it Spanky's after the old Our Gang series. But the first two years were not easy, says Kennedy.

"We had to earn our place in the community, such as (the sentiment): 'If they last through the winter, we'll go in.' And you're dying that first year."

It was more than a perception.

Kennedy says some in Capitan did not wish them success. Windows were broken, nasty articles written by a neighbor ran in a county newspaper — until Kennedy threatened to sue — and the building was incorrectly surveyed during an application for a beer and wine license.

"Supposedly a church was too close to the premises. I knew it was incorrect."

It was resurveyed, but the license had been delayed six months.

Fiddler, who keeps a low profile in town, shrugs it off. "I'm not really aware of being accepted or not because it really doesn't matter to me. We're known, we've built a reputation, I don't feel like I've paid any dues."

At first they cooked mainly soups and pastas — in their upstairs flat.

"That's why I'm wearing this brace on my leg," says Fiddler. "Walking down the stairs with stock pots, sloshing all over, trying not to spill it."

They finally secured a loan to remodel the restaurant kitchen and install proper equipment.

"Our banker was eating here a lot, so that helped."

James Gieb, an English major from UCLA, came to Lincoln County when his parents retired to Ruidoso. An aspiring writer, he was also attracted to New Mexico for its literary legacy.

Two years ago he dropped into Spanky's for a pizza. Service was hurried. He asked Jan if they needed help.

Come back tomorrow at 4:30, she said.

"I was there at 4:30, not knowing there was a backdoor. Sat out front for about 15 minutes. Finally one of the waitresses came around and brought me out back."

He knew how to cook but more importantly he was licensed to serve alcohol. "I never waited tables before but I told Jan I did."

Now he's the headwaiter in a field rife with turnover. And because he lived in Germany he has a European philosophy about his craft. "I don't rush getting people their ticket. In Europe they want you to sit there and relax after you eat. People here finish their meal and expect their ticket to be on the table. I think that's impolite."

His German won the day during last year's World Cup soccer tournament when some Dutch visitors stuck around to drink beer and watch the matches on the kitchen TV.

And his knowledge of guns is also appreciated. Having serviced the firearms of several Sheriff's deputies, policemen have joined artists among the clientele.

Gieb is also a promoter, responsible for the busiest lunch in the café's history. A touring bus was parked across the street one day when he went into the market for some items.

"Whose bus is that," one of the ladies wanted to know.

"George Strait's."

By the time the rumor had

boomeranged up and down the boulevard and over to Ruidoso and down to Roswell, Spanky's had arrived.

With artwork on the walls, in the bathrooms and on the porch Spanky's is like a gallery that serves food.

Fiddler recently even sold one of his paintings, though he has had little time lately to take up the brush.

Instead, food is his art, where instinct, whim and education shape a style.

Asked where he gets his ideas, he replies, "I used to read Penthouse and now I read cookbooks."

The menu, a Mediterranean-influenced global cuisine, changes every three days and incorporates fresh herbs and spices and specialty items, many of which are shipped in.

"It's an ever-changing thing," Fiddler says. "There's no structure. It's not a classy joint, it's not contrived. It can

be loud, it reminds me of New York where you go in and all you do is read lips."

Indeed, their second-story apartment lends a disarmingly urban ambience, like an old deli where the owners resided upstairs.

And now business is good, even if it overwhelms the cozy confines. "It's a dance," says Kennedy. "It's a good thing James is a soccer player because sometimes I'm ruining through the dining room and he'll just bounce off me, spin around and keep going. Summers are crazy when everything is totally full and loaded up and there's no space. What are you going to do? Give 'em another glass of wine."

And ask for their patience.

Reach Marty at P. O. Box 1409, Capitan, N.M. 88316 or e-mail: marty.racine@chron.com



Marty Racine

Jan Kennedy has a way with a welcome.



Marty Racine

Spanky's Restaurant on Smokey Bear Boulevard in Capitan suddenly was accepted after George Strait dropped by one day.

'Different' Dennys restaurant to be built soon on U. S. 70

• The national restaurant franchise, to be located next to the new Waldrop's furniture store, is scheduled for an August opening and will employ 35-60 people, an executives says.

BY TONI K. LAXSON
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

In less than a month, construction is projected to start on a \$1.2-\$1.5 million Dennys franchise on U.S. Highway 70 inside Ruidoso Downs, company executives said this week.

Sue Byers, with R&D Properties of Holbrook, Ariz., said the 24-hour restaurant is scheduled for an opening sometime in August. Whether the opening is early or late in the month depends on how construction progresses, she said.

Though the land purchase is not yet finalized, Robbie Qualls, co-owner of the franchise, said the new restaurant will be located on the north side of the road just west of the new Waldrop's Furniture store currently under construction. A groundbreaking for the new restaurant could be as soon as two weeks in a "best case" scenario, Byers said.

The restaurant will hire 35-60 people, Qualls said. Byers said the company will start looking for employees in June and start hiring around the first of July.

The restaurant will be a "Classic Dennys Diner," which means it will have a different look than most of the restaurants in the national franchise chain, Qualls said.

"It's not your typical Dennys, in other words," he said from his office in Holbrook, Ariz. "The concept is a '50s diner with stainless steel, a juke box ... and it will look like a diner from the outside, with the new Classic Denny's Diner logo sign."

Construction of the restaurant will be coordinated by the Phoenix firm of Food Service Concepts. Qualls said that company will hire



A Dennys Classic Diner is planned for the lot west of the new Waldrop's Furniture store, undergoing last-minute construction work Wednesday before a Thursday opening. Across the street from the planned restaurant is the new Sears.

subcontractors for the work based on a bidding process. Preference will be given to local contractors if the bids come in at the same levels, he said.

Nancy Hoover, with Food Service Concepts, said the restaurant should be built in 90 days from its groundbreaking, or sooner with ideal weather and construction progress. Qualls' company still is in the process acquiring the land from

Mark and Mary Waldrop, as well as building permits from the village of Ruidoso Downs, Hoover said.

When construction is finished, the restaurant will be ready to open within a week, Qualls said.

He said while the opening of the Billy the Kid Casino in Ruidoso Downs is a plus for the restaurant, it was not a deciding factor in the restaurant's marketing feasibility.

"Don't get me wrong, but as a Roswell native I have kept an eye on Ruidoso for a long time. So, I think the time was just right to do it this year," he said.

The building will be a nice addition to the community and not an "eyesore," he said. The new Classic Dennys built so far in El Paso and in Cortez, Colo., have received accolades from the communities, he said.

The restaurant will offer a scaled-down menu from the regular Dennys franchises, Qualls said. No information was available on the building's square footage.

Qualls, with his partner Doug Koch, is owner or part-owner in 42 Dennys franchises in New Mexico, Arizona, Colorado and other states. The partners development company is R&D Properties, and the management company is Q.K. Inc.

Chamber adds five new directors; banquet May 14

The Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce will induct five new board members at its annual awards banquet in mid-May.

Joining the 16-member elected board in the coming year will be Susie Fuqua, Ed Gonzalez, Deborah Marcum Byars, Cathi McIntosh and George Staten, said Joan Zagone, chamber executive director.

The new members were elected earlier this month by chamber members. Only five candidates for the five open board positions resulted when a sixth candidate, Vickie Daulton, withdrew her name prior to the election. Daulton, owner of the Riverside RV Park, said she withdrew because of time considerations.

The chamber's awards banquet will be May 14 at the Cree Meadows Country Club. Space is limited, and Zagone urged people interested in attending

to purchase tickets soon. The tickets are on sale now at the chamber — \$15 for singles and \$28 for couples.

The reception will be 6-7 p.m., with dinner and a brief awards ceremony from 7-8 p.m. Music and dancing will follow. The theme is "Celebrating a New Beginning for the Chamber and the Community." The tone of the banquet will be light, with the emphasis on socializing rather than business, Zagone said.

The new board members will join current board members Denise Dean, Ron Anderson, David Wiberg, Debbie Haines, Alberto Robles, Jim Stoddard, Bruce Kernodle, Steve Tally, Tim Wierwille, Phillis Barnett, Cindi Clayton, Eddie Parker, Bob Lacouture and ex-officio officers (appointed by the board) of Nelda Lewis, Jim Miller, Jackie Branum and Bill Chance.

Susie Fuqua is gallery

director for Dave McGary's Expressions in Bronze Gallery on Sudderth Drive and also has worked at Ruidoso Office Supply and Zia Natural Gas. She is a native New Mexican and a Ruidoso resident since 1993. Her husband Douglas is a high school teacher.

Ed Gonzalez has been the general manager at the Wal-Mart Super Center for the past eight months and has been a member of the chamber for the same length of time. Gonzalez was an active chamber member in Belen, where he was previously stationed with Wal-Mart. Since 1992, Gonzalez has participated in local chambers where they are available.

Deborah Marcum Byars is owner of Sierra Cinema and has been a member of the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce since 1994. She has acted for the chamber as a liaison for the film industry — both with the Ruidoso Arts

Commission and the New Mexico Film Commission.

Cathi McIntosh, an active chamber member for seven years, co-owns with her husband the Ruidoso Lifestyles magazine and Homes and Land magazine, and the Action Ski shop on Sudderth Drive. McIntosh teaches drama, French and choreography at Ruidoso High School. McIntosh serves as a volunteer on the Ruidoso Arts Commission.

George Staten, an architect with 40 years experience, moved to Ruidoso last year and opened a business in the Pine-tree Square. The former El Paso resident has been active in community events since arriving here, such as donating architectural plans to the village of Ruidoso for a teen center. Staten was active in the El Paso chamber of commerce.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

'Mystery shopper' returns to Ruidoso

The Ruidoso Valley Greeters, the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce and the Ruidoso News will begin a program to reward outstanding individuals in the service sector of the business community.

The program will kick off during National Tourism Week, May 2-8.

A survey conducted in Farmington has shown the factors that keep customers shopping locally were "price, product and customer service."

A monthly winner will receive a traveling trophy to be displayed in his or her business for a month. A framed citation will be given to the recipient for permanent display. Also, the individual will appear on the "Lincoln County Conversations" and will also be featured in the business section of the Ruidoso News.

Any person, resident or visitor is encouraged to nominate a candidate for the "Champion of Customer Service" award. Nomination forms are available at the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce, 120 Sudderth Drive, as well as other participating businesses.

Women in business conference open locally

A live satellite conference on "Winning Strategies for Women Entrepreneurs" will be presented 5:30 p.m. May 17 in the Edward Jones office at 1121 Mechem Drive.

The conference is free and the first of several the business will sponsor this year, Bunny Trolinder, co-owner, said. The conference will cover such topics as the best marketing strategies, developing a successful marketing plan, marketing on a shoestring budget and how to incorporate the

Internet into a marketing strategy.

Because seating is limited, interested participants are asked to make reservations by calling Trolinder at 258-2011.

Other sponsors of the conference include the U.S. Small Business Administration, the American Business Women's Association, Edward Jones and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce.

Roswell job fair near

Students at Eastern New Mexico University and area residents are invited to the Spring '99 Job Fair on May 4 in the Oilfield Training Center of the ENMU-Roswell campus.

The fair is part of the college's continuing efforts to stimulate work force development and is presented by the ENMU-Roswell Customized Training and Technology Career Services departments and the U.S. Department of Labor.

"A recent survey we conducted of the largest Chaves County employers identified more than 1,200 jobs that would be available in the next year," Robert Rhodes, customized training director.

The fair will be open 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. More than 35 companies are scheduled to participate, including NovaBUS Inc., ENMU-Roswell, the New Mexico Department of Labor, Tobosa Developmental Services, the city of Roswell, ITS, Mentor, NMMI, Villa Del Rey, and the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation. Participants are encouraged to bring their resumes and meet with local employers. ENMU-Roswell Career Services Center staff also will be on hand to help with resume writing and provide information on other career services.

For more information, call 624-7404.

China's economic growth weaker than advertised

BY SUNG WON SOHN
WELLS FARGO ECONOMICS

Official economic statistics are not reliable. For example, Beijing's economic growth target for 1998 was 8 percent; 21 of 22 provinces reported 8 percent economic growth even before the year was out. China's State Statistical Bureau has begun to collect some data directly, but the numbers are still suspect.

A significant portion of economic growth comes from state infrastructure spending, excess production of inventories at state-owned enterprises (SOEs) and other white elephant projects. Streets all over China are torn up to create jobs for the unemployed workers.

Coal mines and textile factories have been producing goods no one wants to buy. There are so many office towners in Pudong, near Shanghai, that it will take years to fill them.

Most likely, real economic growth is much lower than the 9 percent for 4Q'98 and 8.3 percent for 1Q'99 advertised by Beijing. The SOEs, the largest employer in China, laid off 10 million people last year and another 5 million are expected to be cast off this year. In addition, the government has been reducing subsidies for housing and medical care. Consumers have pulled in their horns. Retail prices are actually falling in China. Exports, the backbone of economic growth, has been falling or moving

MARKET GLANCE

sideways. Weak economic conditions in Asia have made a big dent on Chinese exports. In the meantime, China is relying on export tax rebates and import restrictions to help its balance of payments.

Will China devalue? Not likely in the near future. According to the "Big Mac" index in The Economist, the renminbi is undervalued. The import content of Chinese exports is about 40 percent; a devaluation would be self-defeating according to government officials. In addition, China has external debt of \$150 billion and the banking system is technically insolvent,

all arguments against a devaluation.

Chinese wages are still lower than many of its Asian neighbors. But wages are only a fraction of total labor costs. For example, one steel mill in China has 11 kindergartens, 15 middle and senior high schools, 900 clinics and 56,000 apartments; Chinese steel is not very competitive in international markets. Some say that China should do what Singapore has done, cut everyone's wages 15 percent. Politically, this would be difficult to do.

Politically, China has been trying to position itself as the leader in Asia; a devaluation would hurt China's standing in Asia.

4-H youth development program gets support

Domenici asks \$750,000 to expand an after-school program aimed at reducing juvenile delinquency problems statewide

WASHINGTON — Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., has requested \$750,000 to expand an after-school program, coordinated by the Cooperative Extension Service's New Mexico 4-H Youth Development Program, into a statewide initiative.

The request came as part of Domenici's endorsement of the president's budget request of \$282 million for the Justice Department Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention to reduce the crime rate among the nation's youth, a \$4 million increase above 1999. The programs are funded in the FY 2000

Commerce, Justice, State and the Judiciary Appropriations Bill.

A member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, Domenici said the \$750,000 would be used by the New Mexico Cooperative Extension Service's 4-H Youth Development Program, to

expand its after school program to all 33 counties in the state. The program targets an estimated 175,000 New Mexico youth who are home alone or unsupervised between 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. during the week.

"The ultimate goal is for this program to operate in all

counties, using the 4-H youth development model as the program structure. This after-school program would give our kids alternatives to drugs and crime, and target juveniles at extreme risk," Domenici said.

Domenici also requested continued federal funding for

the Boys and Girls Clubs of America in 2000, for which he secured \$40 million in 1999 to promote anti-crime initiatives. Through Domenici's efforts program doubled in funding between 1998 and 1999. New Mexico Boys and Girls Clubs receive a portion of this funding.

"The Boys and Girls Clubs have done outstanding work in establishing successful community-based crime prevention programs, including several of New Mexico's Indian pueblos, and are having a significant impact with these youth," Domenici said.

Funding in the CJS Appropriations Bill will have to be provided within the statutory spending limitations enacted in the bipartisan balanced budget agreement reached between Congress and the president in 1997 and reaffirmed in the recently passed congressional budget resolution. The Congress will have to set priorities for spending to meet those limits.

The senator's funding requests are consistent with Domenici and Congresswoman Heather Wilson's introduction of the Juvenile Crime and Community Protection Act, legislation which would overhaul the federal approach to helping communities deal with juvenile delinquents.

Lincoln County FCE wins district banner again

BY PHYLLIS SCHLEGEL
RUIDOSO NEWS CORRESPONDENT

CARRIZOZO — Eighteen members of the Lincoln County Association of Family Community Education (FCE) clubs attended New Mexico AFCE District IV meeting in Alamogordo and came home with the attendance banner for the second year in a row. Marsha Slane of Cloudcroft, chairperson, announced, "and Lincoln County was so certain of winning again they did not even bring the banner with them."

The theme of the District IV meeting April 25-26 was "Petticoats to Politics" and much lace and red, white and blue were used on door prizebags, "ditty bags," table decorations and apparel of the Otero County FCE members who served as hostesses.

Dr. David Townsend, noted historian, teacher, and former state legislator, spoke at the morning session to the 77 FCE women gathered from five New Mexico counties. Townsend encouraged women to consider entering politics and "if you have the desire to serve your state, run for office in the New Mexico Legislature. That is where you can have the most impact".

The first woman legislators were Bertha Paxton and Louise Coe in the 1920's. The later wrote "The Lady and the Law Book", which is now out of print. Today there are women serving as the majority whip in each house of the 1999 Legislature.

The accommodations for the District IV meeting were arranged at the Elks Club in Alamogordo, including a delicious lunch served at noon time.

Carrizozo Schools crank down the school year

Cinco de Mayo, the Mexican celebration of Independence Day, will be observed at the Carrizozo Municipal Schools, Tuesday evening, May 4 at 6:30 p.m.

The Cinco de Mayo First Grade Dancers will perform as part of this end-of-the-year celebration in the Old Gym.

Following, at the general meeting, input from parents is encouraged and visitation of all classrooms. The public is invited.

Other year-end events planned at the school include:

- National Honor Society Induction, Thursday, May 6 Spring Program of Music and Art on Tuesday, May 11
- Sports Banquet on Wednesday, May 12
- School Board Meeting, Tuesday, May 18

High School baccalaureate at Santa Rita Catholic Church, Wednesday, May 19

Class of 1999 graduation ceremony and the last day of school, Friday, May 21.

For further information on these events, call the school at 648-2346

A first for the Hootens

The birth of a first child is a very special time.

Such an event was realized when Gracie Danielle Hooten arrived on April 19 at Gerald Champion Hospital, Alamogordo. She weighed 7 lbs. 9 1/2 ozs. and was 19 1/2 inches long.

The parents are Kristal and Robbie Hooten. Even prouder are grandfather Joe Hooten, great-grandfather Pat Withers of Carrizozo, and the maternal grandparents, Frances and Ray Pinnell of Ruidoso.

CHURCHES

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Apache Indian Assembly of God
Carrizozo, Highway 48, Donald
Petty, pastor. Sunday School: 9:45
a.m.; Sunday worship: 10:45 a.m.
7 p.m.; Wednesday services: 7 p.m.

First Assembly of God
El Paso Road, Ruidoso, Rev. Bill
Lernard, Pastor. Sunday School: 9:30
a.m.; Sunday morning worship: 10:45
a.m. (includes children's church);
Sunday evening praise: 6 p.m.;
Wednesday family night: 7 p.m.

BAPTIST

First Baptist Church
Carrizozo, Highway 48, Pastor:
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.; Sunday
worship: 11 a.m., 7:15 p.m.; Church
training: 6:30 p.m. Sunday

First Baptist Church
420 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso, Tim
Gilbert, Pastor. Sunday: Contemporary
praise & worship 8:30 a.m.; Bible
study/Sunday school 9:30 a.m.; traditional
worship 11 a.m.; evening prayer
and worship 6 p.m. Wednesday:
Prayer and discipleship time 6:30 p.m.;
Youth Bible study & fellowship 6:30
p.m. "Steps S.S. Class" for singles and
single again in the old Youth Building
(north of the Sanctuary). Bob and
Mary Tackett, teachers.

First Baptist Church
Ruidoso Downs. David Jordan, Pastor.
Sunday: Worship hour 11 a.m.;
Sunday school 9:30 a.m.; Evening
worship: 6 p.m. Wednesday: Prayer,
meeting 7 p.m.

First Baptist Church
Tinnie, Bill Jones, Pastor. Sunday
School: 9:45 a.m.; Sunday worship:
11 a.m.

Iglesia Bautista Vida Eterna
Hwy. 70 Ruidoso Downs. Ramon
Robledo, Pastor. Domingo: Escuela
Dominical 10 a.m.; Culto de Predicacion
11 a.m.; Culto de Predicacion 6
p.m. Miércoles: Escuela Bíblica 7 p.m.

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

Ruidoso Baptist Church
128 Church Drive, Pastor: Gateway.
Wayne Joyce, Pastor; Randall Wideman;
Associate Pastor. Sunday School: 9:45
a.m.; Sunday worship: 10:45 a.m., 6
p.m.; Wednesday Bible study: 7 p.m.

Trinity Southern Baptist Church
Captain (north on Highway 48), 354-
2925. Rex Bernsford, Pastor. Sunday
School: 9:45 a.m.; Sunday Worship:
11 a.m.; AWANA Wed: 6:30 p.m.

BAHA'I FAITH

Baha'i Faith
Meeting in members' homes. 257-
2987 or 336-7739

CATHOLIC

St. Eleanor Catholic Church
Ruidoso, 257-2330. Reverend Richard
Casarich, Sacrament of Penance: Sat.
4:30 p.m. or by appointment; Sunday
Mass: 6 p.m.; Sunday Mass: 10
a.m. (English); 11:30 a.m. (Bilingual);
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat. 4:30
p.m. Sunday Mass, St. Jude Thaddeus,
San Antonio 8 a.m.

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

Santa Rita Catholic Church
Carrizozo, 648-2853. Father Dave
Berg, Pastor. Sunday: Public Talk: 1:30
p.m.; Watchtower: 2:20 p.m. Monday:
Bible Study: 7:30 p.m. Thursday

ADULT BIBLE STUDY: 6 p.m.

St. Theresa Catholic Church
Corona. Sunday Mass: 6 p.m.

St. Joseph Apache Mission
Mescalero, Father Tom Herbat, Pastor.
Sunday Mass: 10:30 a.m.

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

CHRISTIAN

First Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)
Hull and Gavilan Canyon Road, Rev.
James M. Smith, Pastor. Sunday
School, K-12/Adult: 9:30 a.m.; Sunday
Worship: 10:45 a.m.; Chancel
Choir: Wednesday 7 p.m.

Church of Christ
Capitan - Highway 48, Les Ear-
wood, Minister. Sunday Bible study:
10 a.m.; Sunday worship: 11 a.m., 6
p.m.; Wednesday Bible study: 7 p.m.

Gateway Church of Christ
415 Sudderth, Ruidoso, 257-4381.
Jimmy Sportman, Minister. Sunday
Bible study: 9:30 a.m.; Sunday worship:
10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wednesday
Bible study: 7 p.m.

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST LDS

Church of Jesus Christ LDS
Ruidoso Branch, North on Hwy. 48,
between mile markers 14/15, 336-
4359 or 257-9691. Sunday: Sacrament
meeting 10 a.m.; Sunday
School 11:10 a.m.; Priesthood Relief
Soc. 12:10 p.m.; Primary/Young
Women: 11:10 a.m.

Church of Jesus Christ LDS
Mescalero Branch, 671-4630. Wray
Schlindknecht, President, 671-9506.
Sunday: Sacrament meeting 10 a.m.;
Sunday School and Primary: 11:20
a.m.; Priesthood Relief Soc. & Young
Women: 12:10 a.m.

EPISCOPAL

Episcopal Church
of the Holy Mount
1211 Mescalero Trail, Ruidoso. Father
John W. Penn, Rector. Sunday Eu-
charist: 8 & 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday:
Daughters of King: noon; Eucharist
& healing: 5:30 p.m.; Choir practice:
7 p.m.

Episcopal Chapel of San Juan
Lincoln. Sunday: Holy Eucharist
10:30 a.m.

St. Anne's Episcopal Chapel
Glencoe. Sunday: Holy Eucharist 9 a.m.
St. Matthias Episcopal Chapel
Carrizozo, 6th & E Street. Sunday:
Holy Eucharist 9 a.m.

FOUR SQUARE

Capitan Four Square Church
Highway 48, Capitan, Harold W.
Perry, Pastor. Sunday School: 10
a.m.; Sunday worship: 11 a.m., 7
p.m.; Wednesday Bible study: 7 p.m.

FULL GOSPEL

Mission Fountain of Living Water
San Francisco, Sunday School: 10 a.m.;
Evening services: 7:30 p.m. Sunday,
Tuesday and Friday.

JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

Ruidoso - Kingdom Hall
106 Alpine Village Road, 358-2659,
257-3871, Sunday: Public Talk: 1:30
p.m.; Watchtower: 2:20 p.m. Monday:
Bible Study: 7:30 p.m. Thursday

MINISTRY SCHOOL 7:30 p.m.; Service Meet 6:20 p.m.

Congregacion Hispana
de los Testigos de Jehova
106 Alpine Village Road, 258-3659,
336-7076. Dora: Reunion Publica
10 a.m.; Estudio de la Biblia 10:50
a.m. Mier. Escuela del Ministerio
Teocratico 7 p.m.; Reunion de car-
vicio 7:50 p.m.; Juve Estudioso Libre
7:00 p.m.

LUTHERAN MO. SYNOD

Shepherd of the Hills
1120 Hill Road, 258-4191, 257-
5296. Kevin L. Krohn, Pastor. Sun-
day: Worship 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m.;
Sunday School & Adult Bible Class:
9:30 a.m. Third Sunday Evening
Bible Study, 5:30 p.m., call for loca-
tion.

METHODIST

Community United
Methodist Church
Juniper Road, behind Daylight
Downs. Harry Riser, Pastor. Sunday
School: 9:45 a.m.; Sunday worship:
8:30 a.m., 10:55 a.m.

Capitan United Methodist
Church
Pastor Tom Woodward and the con-
gregation of Capitan United
Methodist Church welcome Lincoln
County residents and visitors alike to
attend Bible study Sunday morning at
8:30, followed by worship service at
9:10. Communion is offered during
worship on the first Sunday of every
month, and a potluck luncheon is
served the third Sunday at 12:30.
White Oaks and Third in Capitan.
505-648-2846.

PENTECOSTAL

Spirit of Life Apostolic/
Pentecostal Tabernacle
Lincoln Ave., Capitan, 257-6864.
Allan M. Miller, Pastor. Sunday
School: 10 a.m.; Sunday Evening
Services: 6 p.m.; Tuesday Bible
Study: 7 p.m.

NAZARENE

Angus Church of the Nazarene
Angus, 12 miles north of Ruidoso on
Hwy. 48, 336-8032. Charles Hall,
Pastor. Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.;
Sunday worship: 10:45 a.m. and 6:00
p.m.; Wed. fellowship: 6:30 p.m.

PRESBYTERIAN

First Presbyterian Church
101 Sutton Drive (Nob Hill), Ruidoso,
257-2220. Vernon Edmondson,
Pastor. Sunday: Church school
9:45 a.m.; worship 11 a.m. Poduck
fellowship after worship the third
Sunday of every month.

Mountain Ministry Parish
Community United
Presbyterian Church
Ancho, Sunday worship: 9 a.m.; Sun-
day School: 10 a.m.

Corona Presbyterian Church
Worship 11 a.m.

Mojo Presbyterian Church
Adult Sunday School: 10 a.m.; wor-
ship 11 a.m.

REFORMED CHURCH

Mescalero Reformed
Mescalero, Bob Schur, Pastor. Sun-
day: Church school 9:30 a.m.; wor-
ship 10:30 a.m. Mon: junior high
youth 6:30 p.m. Wed: high school
meeting 7 p.m. Thur: Kids Club
(grades 1-5) 3:20.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

Seventh Day Adventist
207 Parkway, Agua Fria, Ruidoso
Downs, 378-4161. Pastor Rick Lytle
443-1904; Assoc. Pastor Wilbur
Morrow, 622-1206. Saturday: Sabbath
school 9:30 a.m.; Church ser-
vice: 11 a.m. Wednesday: Prayer
meeting 7 p.m.

NON-DENOMINATIONAL

Abundant Life Family Church
2810 Sudderth Drive, Suite 210,
257-1188. Mark Gentry, pastor.
Sunday worship 6 p.m. Thursday
Bible study 7 p.m.

American Missionary Fellowship
Gregg Horst, 354-2307. Monday:
Ruidoso men's Bible study noon at
Pizza Hut, Mechem Drive; Women's
Bible study 6:30 p.m. Wednesday:
Capitan youth group 7 p.m. at the
fair building. Thursday: Adult Bible
Study 6:30 p.m.

Calvary Chapel
433 Sudderth Drive in the Gateway
Center, 257-5915. Pastor John Mar-
shall. Sunday worship 10:30 a.m.;
Wednesday: Mid-week bible study 7
p.m.

Centro Cristiano Casa de Oracion
(en Gateway Church) 415 Sudderth
Road, 630-0046. Pastor Carlos
Carreon. Reunion General Juves
6:00 p.m.; Sabados 6:00 p.m. Club
Amisad 10:00 a.m. (niños).

Christ Church in the Downs
Ruidoso Downs, 378-8464. Al and
Mary Lane, Pastors. Sunday: Chil-
dren's ministries concurrent with
Sunday Services 9:30 a.m.; worship 8
a.m. and 10:45 a.m.; Thursday: ser-
vices 7 p.m.

Christ Community Fellowship
Capitan, Highway 380 West, 354-
2458. Ed Vinson, Pastor. Sunday
school, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday worship,
10:30 a.m.

Cornerstone Church
Cornerstone Square, 613 Sudderth
Drive, 257-9265. B.A. Thurman,
Pastor. Sunday services: Adult and
children's Church, 10:30 a.m.; Bible
Study, Adult and Youth, Wednesday:
7 p.m.

Cowboy Church
Noon Sundays at the Glencoe Rural
Events Center. Everyone welcome.
Preacher Buster Reed of Amarillo.
Call 378-4840 for more info.

Living Word Church
441 Mechem, 257-3470. Pastors: Terry
and Suzanne Lewis. Sunday: Renewal
services Sunday 10:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.
Wednesday: Incessant prayer noon;
mid-week services 7 p.m.

Peace Chapel
Interdenominational (ULC)
Alto North, 336-7075. Jeanette
Price, Pastor. Morning chapel: 6:50
a.m. (Sept. - June); Sunday Service:
11 a.m.

Trinity Mountain Fellowship
Gavilan Canyon Road, 336-4213.
Sunday: morning prayer 8:30 a.m.;
Sunday school 9 a.m.; service 10 a.m.
Thursday: home Bible study 7 p.m.

CLUBS

All American Duplicate Bridge Club
7 p.m. Thursday in the Ruidoso Sen-
ior Citizens Center for weekly
open and novice games. For more
information call 257-9228.

AL-AROH of Ruidoso
Meets every Tuesday from 8-9 p.m.
at the Gateway Center, 439 Sud-
derth, Ruidoso, 257-9397

Alto Women's Association
Meets 11 a.m. Tuesdays at the Alto
Club House for lunch at noon and
cards at 1 p.m. Business meeting the
first Tuesday of every month.

Atraveso Club
Meets 7 p.m. the first Tuesday of
every month for program and at
noon the third Tuesday of every
month for lunch at the Episcopal
Church of the Holy Mount, 1211
Mescalero Trail, 257-4476

Alzheimer's Monthly Support Group
Meets the first Wednesday of each
month at 7-9 p.m. at Ruidoso Care
Center, 257-9071

American Cancer Society
of Lincoln County
Breast cancer "Reach to Recovery"
program, Jan Yowell R.N. Memorial
donations to American Cancer Soci-
ety.

American Legion
Robert J. Hagan, Post 79
Meets at the third Wednesday in
the American Legion Building at U.S.
Highway 70 and Spring Road in Ruidoso
Downs, 257-5796

American Sewing Guild of NM
Neighborhood group meeting, 258-
3000

B.R.O.E. No. 2088
Meets 7:30 p.m. the first and third
Tuesdays of every month in the
Elk's Lodge Building, Hwy. 70.

B.R.O. Does
Meets 7:30 p.m. the second and
fourth Thursdays of every month in
the Elk's Lodge Building, Hwy. 70.

Boy Scouts of America
Boy Scout Troop 59 meets at 7-8:30
p.m. Mondays at the Episcopal
Church of the Holy Mount, 1200-1487
Children's Team/Kids Discipline
Program: 6:30-7:45 every Wednesday
except the first. First Baptist
Church (420 Mechem). For children
4 years-old grade.

Choir Group
Meets 6:45 p.m. Tuesdays at 1089 E.
Paso Road, Las Cruces. Possible car-
pool, 258-5621

Christian Horsemanship Association
Meets at the second Thursday of
every month in the Christian Horsemanship
Center, 258-4708.
Co-Dependents Anonymous
Step study meeting 7 p.m. first Tues-
day of the month, topic meeting all
other weeks at Texas-New Mexico
Power Company.

Community Friends
of the Vietnam War
Meets at 6 p.m. the first Monday of
each month at the VFW Post 7686
Auxiliary Hall, 700 Hwy. 70 West,
Alamogordo.

Daughters of the American Revolution
Meets at 11:30 a.m. the second
Thursday of every month, Sept.
through May, 258-5875.

Disabled American
Veterans Coe-Curry Chapter 23
Meets at 7 p.m. the first Tuesday of
every month in the American Legion
Hall at Hwy. 70 and Spring Road,
Ruidoso Downs, 257-5796

Domestic Violence Victims Sup-
port Group
Meets noon Tuesdays at the office of
Diane Harmon, LISW, RN, Lincoln
Tower, 2nd floor suites, Conference
Room, 258-4708.

Family Crisis Center
The crisis line 257-7365
Fraternidad Order of Police
Meets at 7 p.m. the first Monday of
every month at K-Bob's Steak House
Restaurant at noon every Thursday.

Friends of Sweeney-Capitan, Inc.
Meets at the Smokey Bear Cafe
12:30 p.m. at the Smokey Bear Cafe
in Capitan. The public is welcome to
attend all meetings and events.

Gambler's Anonymous
Meets at 3 p.m. every Sunday at the
Gateway Church of Christ, 415 Sud-
derth, Ruidoso, 257-9228 (free en-
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653-4912.

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The Lincoln County Bird Club meets
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Lincoln County Democratic Party
Meets once a month, 257-7558

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In St. Eleanor's Catholic Church, Board
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every month. Food bank hours are
noon-4 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and
Friday, 257-4624

Lincoln County Homebuilders
Meets at the local Club the first
Tuesday of each month. Board of
Directors meeting at 6 p.m. and general
meeting at 7 p.m. 257-9090

Lincoln County Medical Center
Auxiliary
Meets 9:30 a.m. the first Tuesday of
every month in the hospital confer-
ence room.

Lincoln County Prides
Lincoln County's gay, lesbian and bi-
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for more information.

Lincoln County Resource Exchange
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Mechem, Ruidoso, 258-3252.

Lincoln County Sheriff's posse
Meets 2 p.m. the first Sunday of
every month at the Lincoln County
Fair Building in Capitan, 354-4263

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT IN LINCOLN COUNTY



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Sandy Suggitt

"TWO HATCHETS," an original bronze sculpture by artist and teacher Gaylon Gillem, who makes metal work seem easy. To find out what driving a fork-lift has to do with bronze casting, turn to page 4D.

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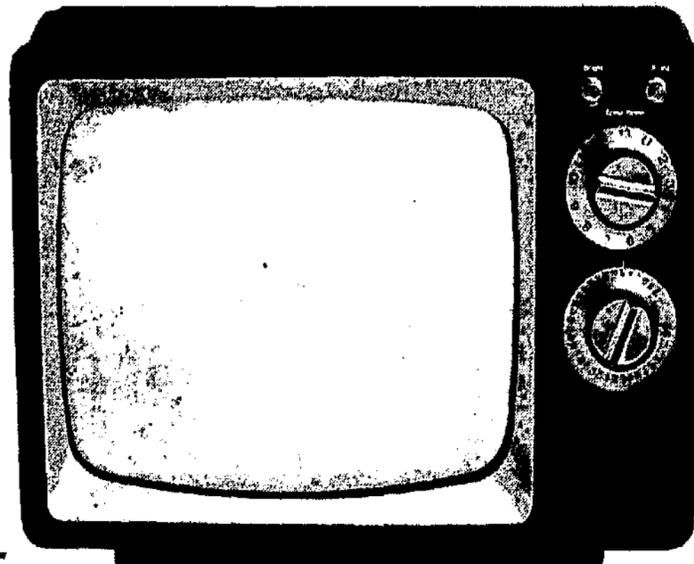
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546 Sudderth, Ruidoso by the traffic lights at Paradise Canyon, 257-4056.
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Rio Street Gallery

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416 First St., Ruidoso, 257-6677
New Orleans artist Jim Leasure specializes in portraits of clients' guardian angels. He also paints angelic themed school and church murals, ceilings and walls of private homes and businesses. His studio is open to the public by appointment.

Spring Canyon Gallery

2206 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, 257-1561.
Artist Misha Malpica opens her Spring Canyon sculpturing studio to the public. Joining her is Jim Mauritsen and his works connecting stone and burwood. Hours: 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday, or by appointment call 257-1561 or 257-0205.

Stribling Fine Art

1031 Mechem Dr., Ruidoso, 258-4892
Featuring contemporary Southwest paintings by New Mexico artist Stephen Stribling. Located in The Attic complex (upstairs in back). Hours: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday through Sunday, or by appt.

The Tree's House

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

Western Trails Gallery

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

3 1/2 miles NE of White Oaks, 648-2965.
From her adobe studio, potter Ivy Heyman makes functional porcelain, sculptures and lighting in the shadow of Patos Mountain. A one hour drive north from Ruidoso. Open seven days, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Art of shoeing horses demonstrated

A horse shoeing demonstration sponsored by the Hubbard Museum of the American West will be at the pageant grounds in historic Lincoln from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday, May 8.
Rick Simpson from San

Patricio will be the guest farrier. A longtime ranch hand and a county commissioner, Simpson draws from his knowledgeable about horse shoeing and the analogies between human and horse anatomy.

EYE ON THE ARTS

The Ruidoso Arts Commission invites nominations of Hispanic artists, writers, dancers, and musicians for membership positions on the Artist Advisory Committee of the Hispanic Cultural Center in Albuquerque.

Ground has been broken on the National Hispanic Cultural Center of New Mexico, which will

showcase the state's 400-year-history of Hispanic arts, culture and humanities and the thriving contemporary art community.

Drop off nominations to the attention of Stan Monks, chairman of the Ruidoso Arts Commission, at the village hall or call the village office at 257-2386.

CALLS FOR ENTRIES

Wildlife of New Mexico

The first annual Wildlife of New Mexico juried exhibit, sponsored by the Sierra Art Society, will be in Truth Or Consequences Oct. 6-10.

To submit two or three dimensional artwork you must be a resident of New Mexico (at least six months of the year) and be at least 18 years of age. Artwork must be original and depict or

represent wildlife of New Mexico. The show will be juried by slides or photographs. A non-refundable entry fee of \$10 per entry (limit three) is required. Deadline for entries is July 29. For a prospectus, call (505) 894-0615 daily between 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. or write: Sierra Art Society, 306 Main St., Truth or Consequences, NM 87901.

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The Arts

Shifting gears

story and photos by Sandy Suggill
VAMONOS STAFF WRITER

The sculptures Gaylon Gillem produces are a far cry from his previous occupation — that of driving a fork-lift.

His works range from fantasy figures to Native Americans and include anything else that catches his fancy.

Gillem, who has sculpted for 30 years, studied art on an art

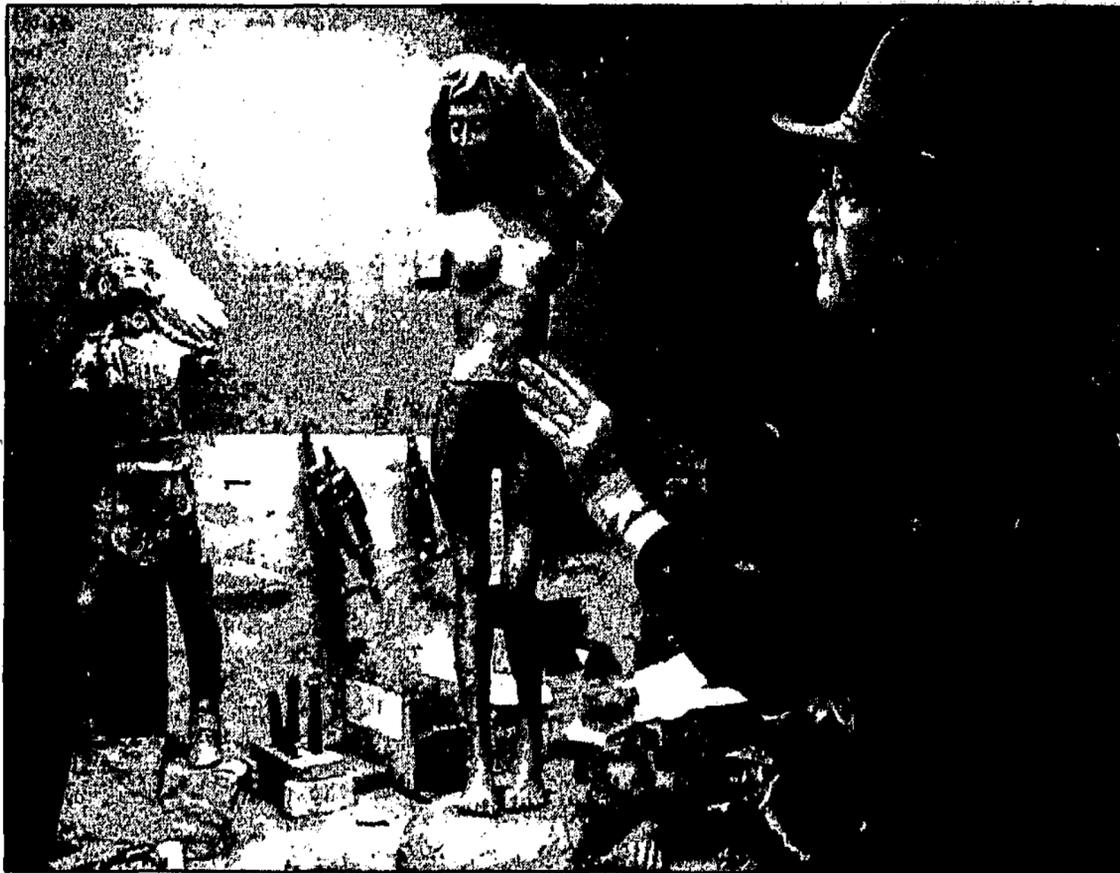
scholarship in 1968 in Amarillo, Texas, where he met Lincoln Fox.

"He taught me the fine art of seeing," Gillem said, "and we became close friends."

Fox later moved to Santa Fe



"MORNING RAIN," one of Gillem's more recent creations.



GAYLON GILLEM reassembles and welds together the many pieces that required separate bronzing for "Morning Rain."

and they lost touch for a few years.

"Then in 1973 Lincoln called to ask me to produce his work in Ruidoso. I was driving a fork-lift at the time," Gillem said.

From 1974 to 1982, Gillem worked with Fox. He decided he liked Ruidoso and stayed on, working with Dave McGary for three years. He painted murals for a few months in Amarillo, moved to Santa Fe in 1989 to work in art casting foundries for five years where he refined his metal-casting skills and operated a foundry.

In 1993, he married Gail Jennings after "romancing" her for 14 years. The two moved to Bonito Lake and Gillem ran Old West Bronze, a foundry built in an old schoolhouse in Lincoln. The foundry closed a year later because it couldn't expand, and was sold to sculptor Ken Payne, who built Legends Casting Company across from Fenton's Gallery in Ruidoso Downs.

The next four years Gillem worked at Legends, and then in April of 1998 the business went up for sale and he started his own studio, Bonito Bronze, on Mechem Drive.

Gillem sculpts his own designs and commission work in clay, and takes his work through all the stages of bronze casting. He exhibits his sculptures at Gail's Frame of Mind, a few doors down from his studio at 1204 Mechem Drive, and at Shidoni Foundry and Gallery in Santa Fe. He also teach-

'He [Lincoln Fox] taught me the fine art of seeing and we became close friends.'

es—promising amazing results for raw beginners — and lectures on sculpting and bronze casting.

The process of bronze-casting is long and arduous, but well worth the effort, because bronze sculptures last for 2,000 years and buff to shine even when they're old, Gillem said.

He starts by painting a rubber mold around an original clay, wood, stone or wax sculpture, then paints plaster of Paris on the back. This is the "mother mold," and it's cut apart so hot wax can be poured in and out, until it's 1/4 inch or so — the thickness the bronze will be.

Dressing the wax, the next step, involves putting the pieces back together and getting rid of imperfections so the piece is ready to go to the foundry. Gillem then "sprues and gates" — adds rods of wax that will act as chan-

nels for the bronze to run through. He then dips the piece in a slurry, throws sand at it, shakes it off and lets it sit for four hours. This is repeated to build a ceramic shell layer by layer around the wax pattern. By this time, Gillem said, "It looks like a big frosty donut."

He cuts the bottom off and puts it in a 500-degree oven to melt the wax out (thus the name "lost wax"). Now a crucible of bronze heated to 2,000 degrees is poured into the shell. The bronze will solidify in an hour or so and the ceramic shell is busted off the before the metal pieces are welded back together.

After several more steps of cleaning up the bronzed piece, it's ready for the patina process: a gas torch heats the bronze, and various chemicals are added to create different patterns of "rust" on the surface. Once that's done, the process is stabilized with hard wax of paste wax while still warm, so the pores absorb it and seal the wax in during cooling. That process alone can take two months, Gillem said, and is one of the most important effects of a sculpture.

If that sounds like a lot of change, it's not over yet: Gillem is now negotiating to return to Legends Casting Company which may reopen as a foundry in the near future, he said.

A ton of ideas right in the back yard

by Dianne Stallings
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Although she knows many sculptors don't agree, to Jane Terrel part of the thrill of creating a sculpture is searching for the right stone right where nature left it.

"I don't buy quarried stone and I don't have the heavy equipment to dig for the deeper veins," she said. "I ask friends who are putting in roads or water tanks to call me if they hit some alabaster. Some other artists don't want to deal with rock that has been on the surface, but I find unique things surface stones give you. I come out and look for the rocks in the field that speak to me.

"Every piece of stone has its own life. I believe (sculpting) is a gift working through me."

Terrel is one of the additions to the annual Lincoln County Art Loop, a two-day expedition into the art culture of the county outside of Ruidoso set for Saturday and Sunday, July 10-11. The loop will include 21 artists and a chance for visitors to watch the creative process and take something home with them, from paper making to pottery and jewelry, to paintings and sculpture.

When selecting her stone, Terrel looks for color, texture and shapes, and usually "sees" the subject in the raw material. At other times, she sits and looks at a piece for months before inspiration hits.

"I use the curves, fractures and imperfections God put in them," Terrel said. "I find the stone has so much more life and movement. The heart of the stone is so beautiful, it's worth scraping off the flaky stuff. The problem is now I have about two tons of rocks scattered around our home."

Terrel lives with her parents, Jack and "Chuck" Johnson, at the edge of Capitan on a peaceful and attractive piece of property full of bird feeders, bird houses and plants.

Once the stone is brought back to the house, it's covered with tarps or stored in the family's former tomato shed, now Terrel's workshop. Alabaster is soft and will

deteriorate when exposed to the elements, eventually just flaking away. Completed sculptures are sealed to prevent that process.

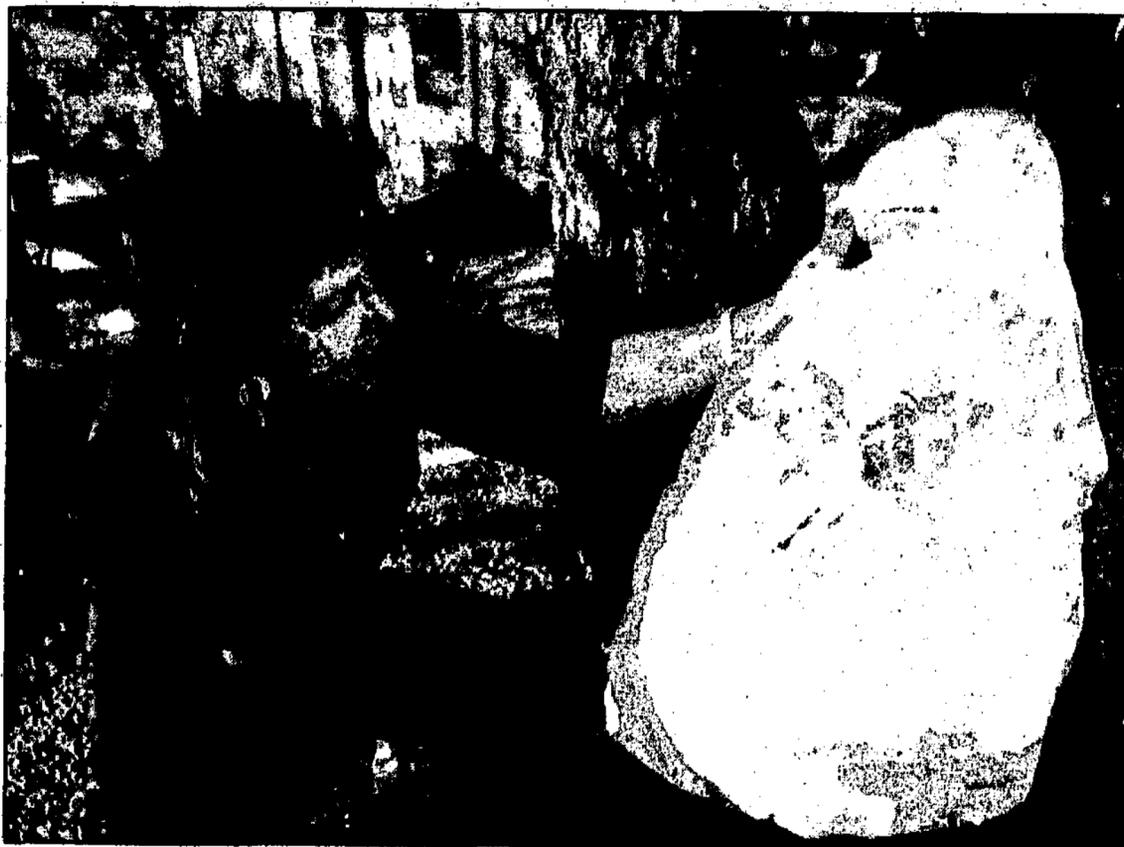
But Terrel, who taught at Fort Stanton for 12 years when it was a hospital for the developmentally disabled, also uses those imperfections, turning a pitted surface into a buffalo mane.

"You can't see the real color until last two sandings," she said. "Then it jumps out at you. You see the depth, down two or three layers. It's a lengthy process. People don't always realize that."

Occasionally, Terrel hits a mother lode of pink alabaster, which she refers to as "kind of the holy grail for sculptors."

When she does, she shares it with the fifth-grade children she teaches at the Mescalero Apache school, staying after hours a few days a

week to work with budding sculptors and taking photographs to create portfolio, in



Dianne Stallings

SCULPTOR JANE TERREL studies stones before deciding what "life" she'll give them.

case they decide to pursue an art career later.

"I tell the children, 'You don't need fancy tools,'" she said. A nail embedded in a board, a screw driver, a hammer and a horse rasp - which is what she used on her first bear - work wonders on soft alabaster.

"The world need more carvers," Terrel said. "I enjoy sharing what I learn and I learn so much from the children."

Terrel drew as a child, mostly with pencil, and some pen and ink, anything from portraits and horses to cartoons. But when she became a mother, artistic drives were pushed aside. Now that her 20-year-old son Cody is in the Airborne Rangers at Fort Bliss and her 22-year-old daughter is in college at Roswell, Terrel's creative energy is on the move again.

Two years ago, sculptor Pam Topper gave her some stone.

"I carved it and felt peace and harmony in my soul, like coming home," Terrel said. "I knew that was what I wanted to do. I never draw anymore, unless it's a sketch for a piece of rock, and I haven't touched my fishing pole in a long time. I crave it."

She credits local sculptor Kent Anderson with mentoring a whole colony of stone artists. She claims she came by her artistic talents naturally from a mother gifted in floral arranging and a father who is a carpenter, mechanic and early on, gave her a desire to create things with her hands.

Most of her sales occur by referrals. She's held off showing in a gallery.

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wanted to do.'

"I've only been carving two years," Terrel said. "I'm just now feeling confident and have work worthy of going into a gallery. I'm still such a baby at this, but I have 22 pieces finished.

"I did spirit bears at first because it was healing for my soul. I have Cherokee in my background. Their bear clan are healers and the bears I created were healing old scars."

Until recently, her themes mostly were Southwestern, but she's beginning to play more with abstract, elongated forms. Jim Brazael, also a sculptor, encouraged her to carve with the stone's grain, to go with the flow of motion. Terrel also studied Alan Houser, a Chiricahua Apache who teaches in Santa Fe and is a mentor for many Native American carvers.

Her studio, off State Road 48 on Juniper Street, is in the subdivision area south of Capitan toward Ruidoso. Her work runs from \$35 for an personal mounted bear fetish to \$2,000 and will be on sale during the Art Loop. But people also may see her this summer on Carrizo Canyon Road, carving with some of her friends. She says to consider it an open invitation to stop, watch and talk.



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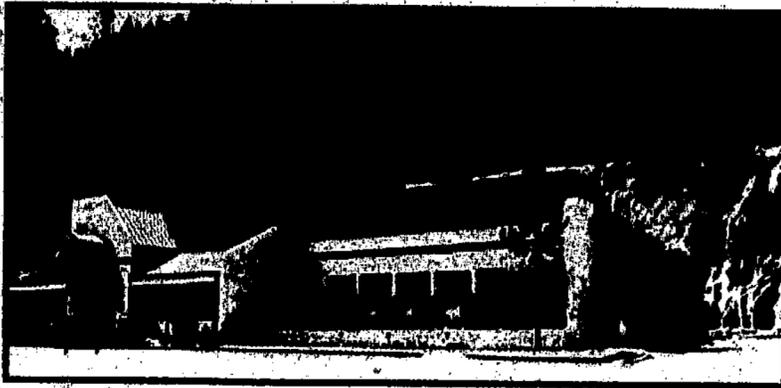
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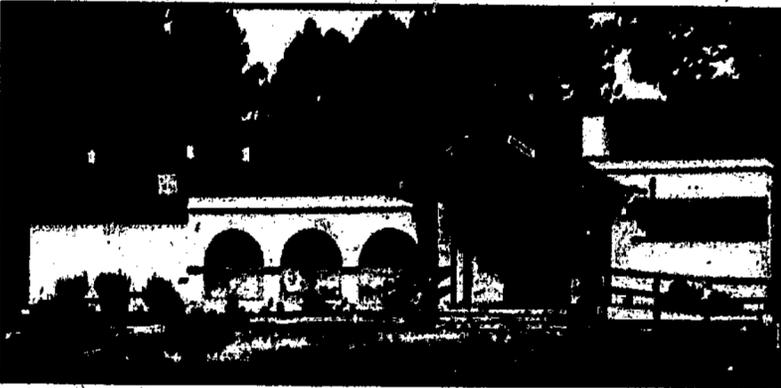
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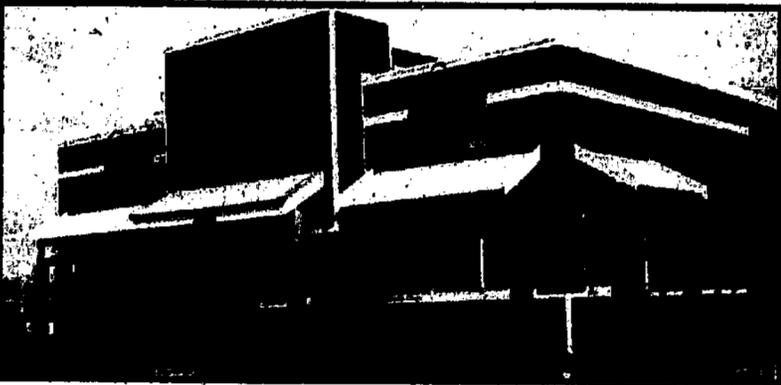
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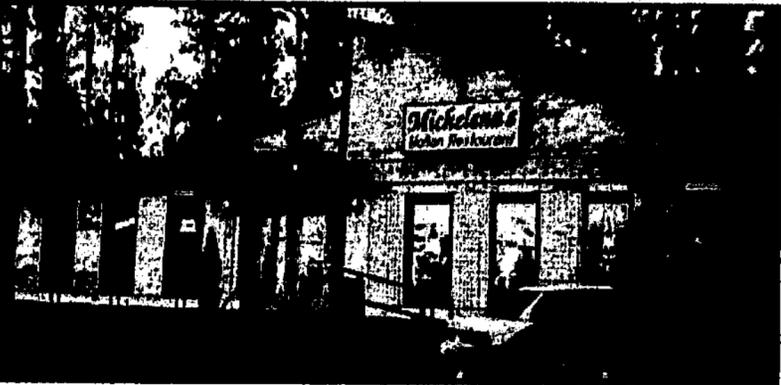
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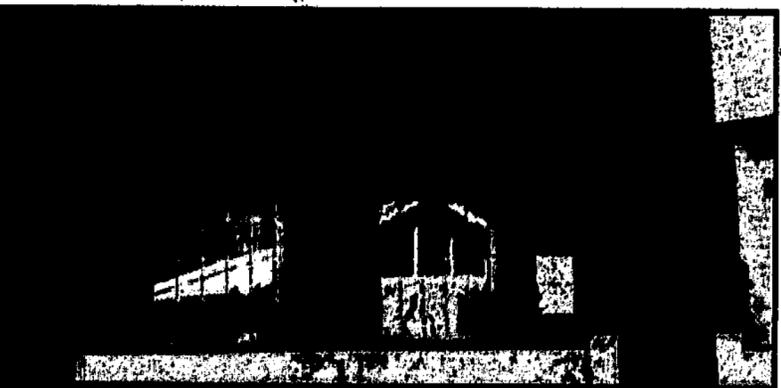
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dining guide

Goin' Out

a Chart Topper keeps in tune

Bobby Vee, a longtime R&B voice, will perform the tunes that made him a classic at the Inn of the Mountain Gods West Conference Center at 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. today.

Born Robert Thomas Velline in Fargo, N.D., Bobby Vee was on the track to musical stardom by age 15.

"I played saxophone in the high school band, but I wanted to rock out," Vee said. "We were playing all the standard band pieces and I wanted to do 'Yakety Yak.'"

By listening to the radio, Vee learned the words of popular songs of the '40s and '50s, and joined his brother's band as a vocalist.

Vee took the big stage for the first time unexpectedly. On Feb. 3, 1959, Buddy Holly, Richie Valens and The Big Bopper, on tour to Moorhead, Minn., were killed when their plane crashed into a snow covered Iowa field. Promoters of the tour, which included several other performers who had been traveling by bus, asked for local talent to fill in for the evening's show.

Vee knew the words to all the songs, and so a "15-year-old" voice was introduced to the world. Vee would go on to release 38 songs in the Billboard Top 100, six gold singles, 14 Top 40 hits and two gold albums over the next 30 years.

Still playing with his brother and the Shadows, Vee released his first single, "Susie Baby" in June of 1959. By the end of the summer Susie Baby had reached No. 1 on all the local radio stations in the upper midwest and major record companies were calling to sign Vee. Bobby Vee and the Shadows signed with Liberty Records in the fall of 1959 and the band stuck together until 1963.

Vee's career waned after the Shadows disbanded, but was saved by a remake of "Devil or Angel" by the Clovers.



courtesy photo

Bobby Vee's big break came in the wake of tragedy.

"Devil or Angel" prompted Liberty Records to sign Vee, without the Shadows, for a five-year contract. Vee continued to release albums throughout the '60s, and was hailed by U.S. Billboard Magazine as "One of the top 10 most consistent chart makers ever." Vee shared the charts side-by-side with the Beatles and made tours throughout Japan, Australia, the United Kingdom and Europe.

Performing about 100 shows a year, Vee's music has continued into the '90s. From the white sock and ducktail days of "Susie Baby" to the high tech digital '90s, Vee continues to grow as an artist and entertainer. Ticket information is available from Guest Services at 257-5141.

'Outfitters' reaches the locals, but misses mass appeal

IN review

Chuck Stallings
SPECIAL TO THE
RUIDOSO NEWS

"The Outfitters," a movie shot entirely in Lincoln County and now playing at Sierra Cinema, tracks two out of work hunting guides willing to pursue any new business opportunities to live in the country and avoid big city blight.

The two main characters, A.J. (Del Zamora) and P.D. (Danny Nucci) Mitjans, are reminiscent of the bungling cowboy Christian Brothers, a popular shoot 'em up comedy more than a decade ago that depended on the charm of the actors and outrageous vignettes.

"The Outfitters" employs the same techniques, more or less, while ambitiously working with a thread bare budget.

Zamora's colorful character dominates his scenes, with Nucci often playing the straight man. Others were less fortunate with a script that rushed simple subplots with action and dialogue not always on point.

The photography was beautiful, often mimicking a chamber of commerce-type brochure, profiling sweeping vistas mixed with close-ups of barbed wire cutters and boots, a reminder that this is the great Southwest. A better, more subtle perception of the

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IN review

Dianne Stallings
SPECIAL TO THE
RUIDOSO NEWS

Most theatergoers clear at the end of a movie, but Friday, during the first local showing of "The Outfitters" at Sierra Cinema, the audience didn't budge until the credits rolled past the screen.

Filmed entirely in Lincoln County, where director/producer Reverage Anselmo spent many of his earlier years, the picture featured local residents as extras and in bit parts, and no one wanted to leave until they found their names.

The experience felt personal. Faces were familiar and Anselmo obviously wanted audiences to

appreciate the spectacular scenery, pulling back to show mountain landscapes.

He peppered the script with names of local towns, bars and landmarks. He caught the character of rural New Mexico in the opening scene with Nucci driving down a long, straight road in his pickup - his cattle dog silhouetted at his side.

The sound track, which included many local musicians and singers, was used to heighten the comedy, as in one scene where Anselmo synchronized the rhythm with the beat of cattle moving toward the camera.

Del Zamora, a New Mexico

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performances

Bobby Vee

Tickets are available for two performances of Bobby Vee at 7 and 10 p.m. today at the Inn of the Mountain Gods West Conference Center. Ticket information is available from Guest Services at 257-5141 ext. 7250.

Navah Perlman

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GOING OUT

MOVIE SUFFERS

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Southwest was the crack that crawled along the windshield of P.D.'s truck in the opening scene. It also seemed to set the tone for this down and outer.

Will these two dreamers ever grab the elusive brass ring in any of their simple entrepreneurial ventures? Success always appears to be just a dream and a lot of luck away.

This movie screamed for an idea to be fully developed. The two female leads, Dana Delany and Sarah Lassez, play one-dimensional stereotypes opting for closeups over dialog. Lassez' lines were laced with the overused valley girl "Duh." Delany's lines were less memorable. This was not good bio material for either one of these talented actresses.



Both reviewers agree that Sarah Lassez turned in a solid performance even though the script wasn't on her side.

LOCALS WILL LIKE IT

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native who has established a healthy film and television career, plays A.J. Mitjans, the hapless brother of P.D. Mitjans, Nucci's character. P.D. arrives at the family ranch near Carrizozo to deliver the ashes of their father and to try to convince A.J. to sell the land. Instead, the brothers embark on a series of failed enterprises, creating some of the best scenes in the film as they repeatedly go to their contentious friend, Mitch, to ask for equipment, livestock and money.

Taking the role of Mitch is Ed Bruce, a well-known country music artist and rock solid actor,

Nucci is a rising talent, who will be remembered in this flick as the romantic lead with tobacco breath. Most local cowboys settled for just a pinch between their cheek and gum.

Perhaps to ensure a PG rating, the love scenes were stylized by simulating surf board riding fully clothed, while doing a Sixties version of "the swim."

Don't try to figure it out. The character, Mitch, provided the continuity that connected the scenes. His running joke of "two mules" and his interplay with the brothers provided some of the best moments in the movie.

Another subject involved the worst dressed state police officer in New Mexico. What would a comedy be without a bigoted, self important law officer? Can we at least agree that all law officers are not bigoted?

who appeared in "Electric Horseman" with Robert Redford.

Good performances also are turned in by the four lead actors, although Sarah Lassez' "hippy chick" character seems forced.

Dana Delany of "China Beach" television series fame plays Cat Bonfaim, who babysat and then seduced P.D. She looks great. Nucci, who gained notice for his role in "Titanic," was commanding on screen and Zamora created a distinct New Mexico character, who probably reminded many in the audience of someone they know.

The film may not win awards, but for Lincoln County viewers, it's certainly worth the price of the ticket.

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Literature

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JUDGE MIKE LINE

BOOKWORM

WHO IS READING WHAT

Name:
Mike Line

thought out and solidly based in scripture.

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Municipal judge

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Latest read:
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He may well have been evil incarnate

Part 1 of 2



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He had a pathological hatred of Mexicans that appealed to the Apaches and, while he may have been a renegade, he was a renegade with courage, which the Apaches admired.

Sometime in the early 1820s, a male child was born to the Worthingtons, a respectable Virginia family, and they named him Peter. The boy was a wild one from the start. At the age of 17, a warrant was issued for the lad's arrest, stemming from a personal problem that he had with a local man. Young Peter settled the dispute by killing the fellow, hence the warrant.

The youth fled his native state and at the same time adopted the alias of Jack Gordon, the name he would use for the remainder of his mis-spent life.

Jack Gordon

Jack Gordon, in re-inventing himself, claimed that he had been a British seaman who had jumped ship and was searching for adventure. According to one account, he was in the Rocky Mountains for a few years working as a fur trader, but that source of income was already in decline.

By the summer of 1846, Jack was in Missouri and, joining Colonel Alexander Doniphan's volunteers to go and fight in the Mexican War, traveled west along the Santa Fe Trail.

By January of 1847, he had been with Doniphan's men when they had conquered Santa Fe and then marched down the Rio Grande where they defeated the Mexicans at the Battle of Brazitos. It was during their occupation of El Paso that Jack once again found himself in hot water.

Details are lacking, but apparently Jack killed a local man and suddenly found himself facing a charge of murder. Deciding to release himself on his own recognizance, Jack commandeered a horse and galloped north out of El Paso. He had not gone far when he made the acquaintance of the Apaches, some of the most ferocious warriors ever to inhabit the Southwest.

For reasons that have never been made clear, the Apaches did not kill Gordon outright, but instead took him prisoner. Somehow, Gordon managed to ingratiate himself to his captors to such an extent that he was, according to legend, made a member of the tribe. Whether or not he was inducted into the Apache tribe is anyone's guess, but there is no doubt whatsoever

er that throughout 1847 and 1848, Gordon was riding with his captors and raiding both Hispanic and Anglo settlements throughout the region.

The Leader

By this time, Gordon had acquired at least one Apache wife, and apparently the respect of the warriors. He had a pathological hatred of Mexicans that appealed to the Apaches and, while he may have been a renegade, he was a renegade with courage, which the Apaches admired.

In the aftermath of one raid led by Gordon, a detachment of dragoons (heavy cavalry) commanded by a Major Enoch Steen, took off in pursuit. The dragoons caught up with Gordon and the Apaches near Dog Canyon on July 5, 1849. In the skirmish that followed, the troopers killed five Apaches.

Less than six weeks later, Gordon had a measure of revenge when the same Steen led another detachment in pursuit of Gordon. Steen and Gordon met in single combat and the renegade shot Steen through the side, wounding him gravely.

At about the same time, legendary Texas Ranger John C. Hays was stopping in El Paso with a group of travelers en route to California. Hays needed a guide who was intimately familiar with both the country and the Apaches, and Gordon's name was mentioned.

Jack had gotten into the habit of sneaking into El Paso occasionally to go to the store of a merchant by the name of Ben Coons. Hays heard of this and began to frequent the store himself. Sure enough, late one evening, Hays and some fellow travelers were in Coons' store when Gordon suddenly strode through the door. Coons, clearly terrified of Gordon, introduced him to Hays.

Hays' plan was simple. He intended to meet with the Apache chiefs, distribute presents and talk of peace. Gordon agreed to take Hays' proposal to the Apaches. Before he departed though, he regaled Hays with the stories of how many Mexicans he had killed and that he had never killed an American. Hays judiciously did not mention Major Steen.

The meeting

As one can well imagine, Hays did not overly trust Gordon. Having made his deal with the Devil, Hays and his party rode upriver where they met the now-recovered Major Steen, who added to Hays' worries by informing him that the Apaches had ambushed and killed two express riders within a couple of days of each other.

As dusk approached on the day set for the meeting of the settlers with Gordon and the Apaches, Hays and his party waited nervously at the agreed-upon spot. In the distance, Hays suddenly heard a bugle call, and then he could hear the unmistak-

PAST TENSE

able sounds of men engaged in combat.

As luck would have it, a party of Mexican troopers, searching for hostiles north of the border, had chanced upon Gordon and the Apaches as they approached the Hays camp. Then, just to make a bad situation worse, the Mexican troops rode right into Hays' camp, as though they had been expected.

After the Mexicans had departed, Hays instructed his sentries to be extra watchful that night, knowing full well how things must have looked to the Apaches. Much to Hays' surprise, Gordon rode into his camp that very night.

Gordon told Hays that, yes, he had been with the Apache band that had made contact with the Mexicans, but that he was still willing to persuade the Native American warriors to talk peace with Hays. Gordon left with two of Hays' very nervous men, and for the next six days searched for his adopted kinsmen without success. When Gordon finally returned, Hays managed to persuade him to stay on as a scout, at least until they reached Tucson.

Gordon not only stayed on until they reached Tucson, he seemed to want to curry favor from Hays. When the ex-Texas ranger mentioned a Mexican child that had been kidnapped by the Apaches a year earlier, Gordon quickly offered to retrieve the missing youngster — and he did, too.

The Germans ...

However, at about the same time, Hays received word that Gordon, again in the company of the Apaches, had attacked a German wagon train, killing at least seven men and capturing another 17. Gordon attempted to ransom the captives in Mexico, but no one was interested. In the

end, the best anyone could hope for was that the Germans had died quickly.

.. and on to California

On a rainy afternoon in the winter of 1850-51, some time after Hays and his party had reached San Francisco, one of his men was astonished to see Jack Gordon riding down the street. Gordon had escaped from jail in San Jose, where he had been locked up for horse theft. However, as one of Hays' men later noted, "The county jail at San Jose was constructed of adobe and wood, and was as much a restraint upon Jack Gordon as the film of the gossamer would be as a cage for the bald eagle." In other words, adobe walls did not long a prison make for Jack Gordon.

In 1851, Gordon apparently caught a case of "gold fever." Panning for gold in Mariposa County, Gordon was informed that a bounty hunter was in the area looking for him to collect the reward placed on his head by Mexican authorities after he had murdered a citizen of Durango.

Gordon apparently felt that he could call the fellow's bluff, and did. At a miner's meeting, he loudly announced his identity and dared the bounty hunter to come forward and take him. The bounty hunter, favoring discretion, quickly left the area.

Back to New Mexico?

In January of 1852, it was reported that there were numerous attacks by Apaches, and one of those attacks — on the Santa Fe mail coach — was committed by both Apaches and whites, together. It *did* sound as though old Jack had returned to the area. It was suspected at the time that Gordon was, in fact, masterminding a whole series of raids in the Southwest: several mail stages were attacked and even El

Paso itself came under assault. Finally, the citizens of El Paso petitioned for and received a regiment of volunteer troops to protect them.

California again, and then Texas

In 1853, Gordon was back in

California, where, almost unbelievably, he was listed as one of the men who volunteered to help hunt down legendary Mexican bandit Joaquin Murietta. Perhaps Apache Jack, as he was now known, resented the competition that Murietta repre-

sented.

In any case, by December of 1854, Jack Gordon was back in Texas, where he became, of all things, a stagecoach driver.

Source: "Unholy Terror Cornered" by Wayne R. Austerman

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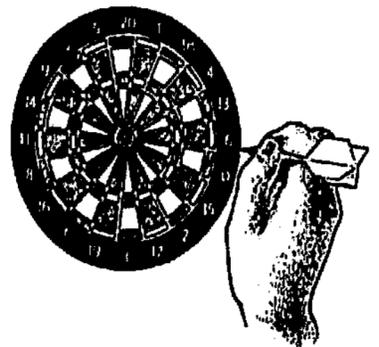
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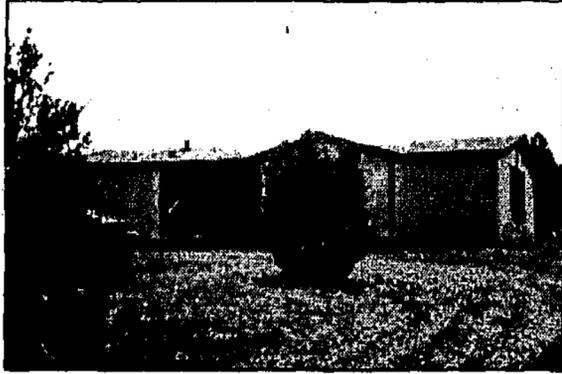


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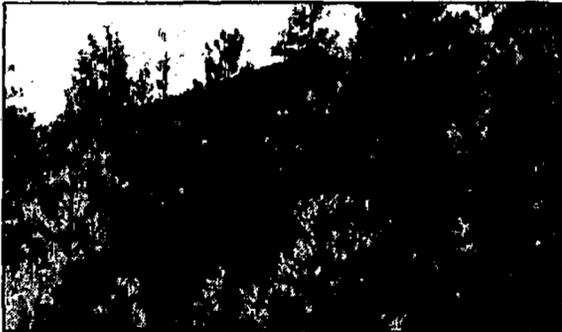
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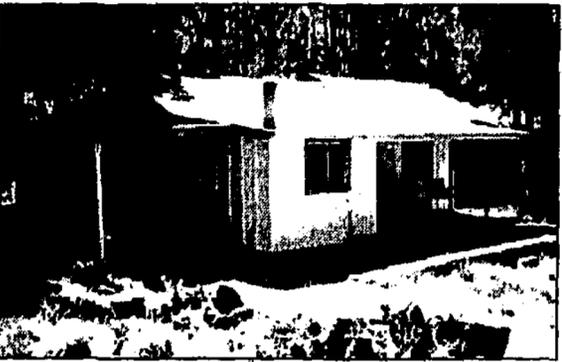
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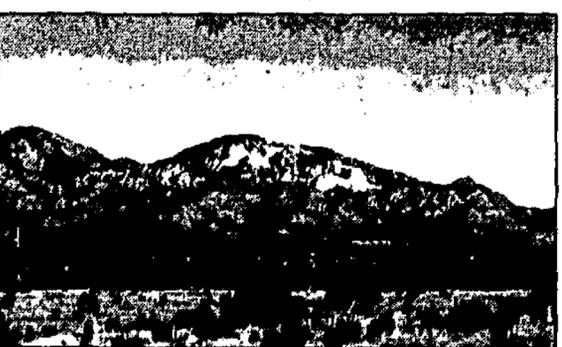
ONLY \$29,950

For this cute single wide with potential at 164 N. Oak in Ponderosa Hts. Good rental. 2 BD, 1 BA on 2 lots, shed. #98-81121. Call Jan.



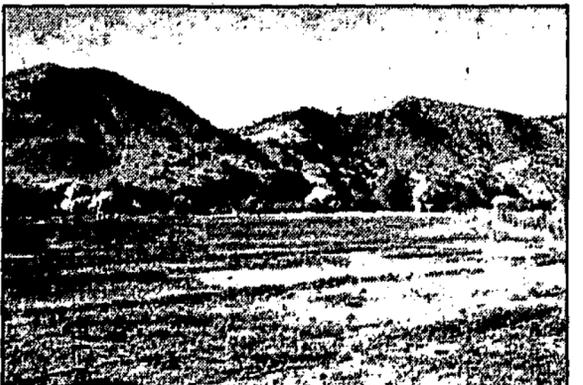
VIEW OF SIERRA BLANCA in CAPITAN

184 Main Road, Capitan. Spotless, well kept mobile w/add on. 3 BD, 2 BA w/ carport and LARGE storage area - could be extra room. Call Linda. #99-90149. \$75,000.



THIS COULD BE YOUR VIEW!

Approximately 252 acres with fabulous views of Capitan Peak in historic Lincoln County. Access from Hwy. 368, this could be your private retreat just a few miles from Lincoln Natl. Forest. Wildlife abounds in the area, and the seller will finance this pristine property. #98-81758. Priced at \$199,000. Call Corey!



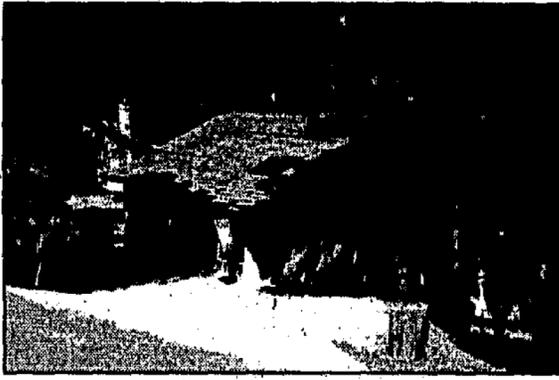
BILLY THE KID COUNTRY

Price reduced on this beautiful 9 acre tract in historical district near Lincoln. Owner says he is ready to sell. Priced at \$62,000. #A70314 Call Gladene!



NEWLY REMODELED STUCCO HOME

702 Center. This 3 BD, 2 BA home has been remodeled in the newest Southwest colors. A newly installed top grade metal roof is just one of the many features this home offers. Call Linda. #99-90349. \$159,000



OWNERS MOTIVATED

Alto home all on one level. 3 BD, 2.5 BA, fireplace, workshop or garage. Great decks and wooded. Separate dining area. This home has nice cabinets and lots of storage. 103 Delmonte. Full golf membership. Price reduced to \$167,500. #97-71895.



TRI LEVEL SKI HAUS!

This 4 BD, 2.5 BA tri-level home is situated on two lots and is surrounded by beautiful pines. It's furnished, has two fireplaces, lots of deck space, views and room for everyone. #98-81306. Priced at \$172,000. Ask for Mary.



SUNNY SLOPE

See this affordable 4 BD, 2 BA home located on Sunny slope Drive. Tiled kitchen, baths and entryway. Metal roof and paved drive. Very well maintained. Priced at \$97,900. Call Gladene to see.



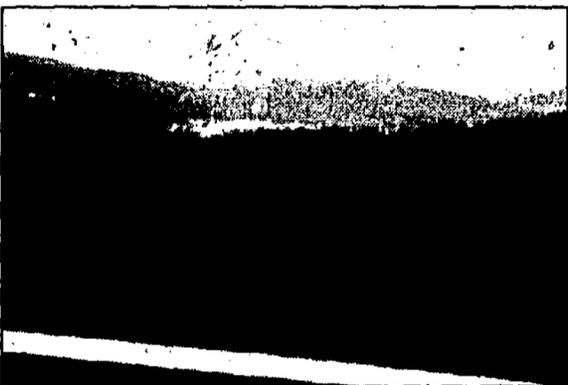
PRICE REDUCED

Main house is 3 BD, 1 BA. Guest quarters has 1 BD, 1 BA. This charming home is situated on two pretty street to street lots in the Sleepy Hollow Subdivision. The river is just a short walk from this home. #98-81146. Was \$160,000. Now only \$140,000! Ask for Mary.



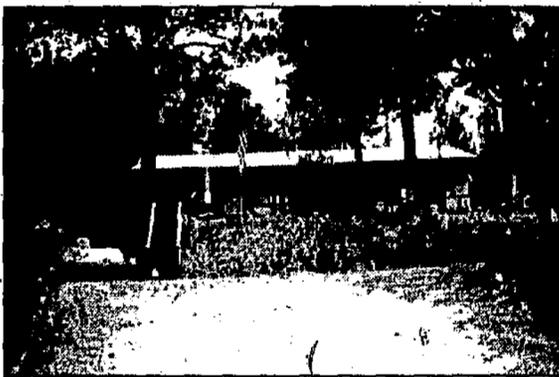
CAPITAN COUNTRY

Give yourself a breather on 2.41 acres in Capitan, featuring 3 BD, 2 BA, game room with Ben Franklin stove. Spacious living room with rock fireplace. This ranch style home is loaded with amenities such as oak kitchen cabinets, breakfast bar, dining area. Metal roof, fencing, storage building, Hwy. frontage. Zoned commercial. Horse allowed. #97-71714. Price \$133,900. Ask for Mike



FABULOUS VIEWS!

From the deck of this well-kept, fully furnished 3 bedroom, 2 bath manufactured home at 612 Del Norte Drive. \$83,000. Just bring your toothbrush and start living! Call Watt to see. Listing #91127.



NESTLED IN THE PINES

With a view of the valley, this 3 BD, 2 BA has all the features a family is looking for. Perfect starter or vacation home. Come see this one — you'll love it. \$100,000. #98-80404. Ask for Linda.



FOX HOLLOW CONDOS

Nice 2 BD, 1.75 BA condo, mostly furnished, excellent rental, super location with good views. #98-81881. Priced at \$57,500. Ask for Mike.



GREAT CLEAN CONDO!

2 BD, 2.5 BA, easy access, furnished. Front and back entry. Bedrooms on first level. #98-81006. Ask for Joyce or Frances.



CHAMPION RUN CONDO

Remodeled 3 BD, 3.25 BA, 2 fireplaces, 3 levels, covered parking, southwest decor, new interior paint, mostly furnished. Great condo. #98-81978. Priced at \$99,500. Call Mike to see.



CASA DEL COCINERO

Bed and Breakfast with southwest decor. Turn key business, 4 BD, 4 BA in main house. Guest cottage 1/1. Large storage area with numerous possibilities, 2 hot tubs, beautifully landscaped. Ask for your apt. #99-90090. Priced at \$450,000. Ask for Mike.



OWNER SAYS SELL - PRICE REDUCTION!

A home with space - yet close in. Horses allowed, mostly fenced. Completely remodeled. Reduced to \$252,500. #98-80737. Ask for Frances.



IF YOU LIKE THE BACK OF THIS HOUSE... you'll absolutely love the front, the loft, the LR & DR, the dream kitchen, the 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths and 3/4 bath and 1/2 bath, the bonus room, the office, the stone fireplace, wrap around deck, storage, 2-car garage, all on .99 acre! To step right up into the front door. Call Jan. #91204. Offered at \$218,000.



OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS!

Have price reduction on this excellent commercial property! Call for a complete package on the Rocky Mountain Mobile Home and RV Park. Entire operation includes 56 mobile home spaces, 18 rental mobile homes, 48 RV spaces and really neat 2 BD, 2 BA home for owner or manager. good financials and potential. Call Kathy for more info.

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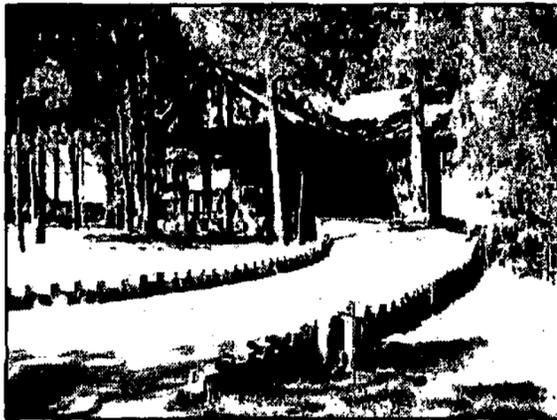
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SUPERB SANTA FE STYLE VILLA

On secluded 1.75 acre knoll with views and EZ parking. 2 level, 3 BD, 2.5 BA + library, office, dream kitchen, DR, large LR w/FP. Textured walls, soft desert hues, custom window treatments, much more. One of kind casual elegance for corporate retreats, lovers, etc. Offered at \$229,000. #99-90245. Please call Jan.



GRACE and STYLE

Elegant living and great comfort this — this home has all the amenities you could ask for. All it needs is you. Located in White Mountain Meadows — this 3 BD, 3 BA home would be a pleasure to own. \$219,000. #99-90131. Ask for Linda.



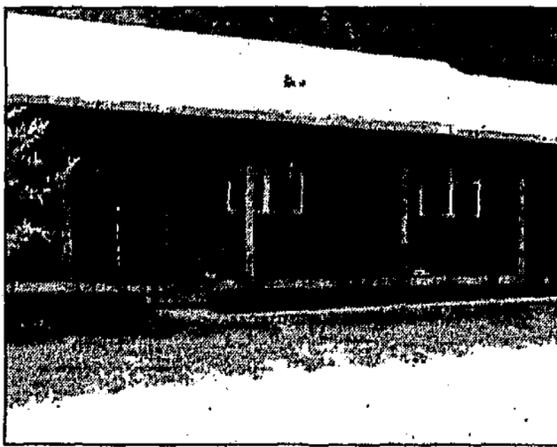
NEW! ELEGANT! IMPRESSIVE!

Almost completed superb townhome in prestigious White Mtn. Meadows. 3 BD, 2 jacuzzis, office, very spacious den/playroom/workshop, living room and dining area have full view of majestic Sierra Blanca. Let us show you this knock out! Call Sally B. \$250,000 #98-81521.



COUNTRY ESTATE

Just completed. Nestled on six lovely secluded acres in Alto's prestigious Deer Park Woods, this is a stunning three bedroom with a charming country kitchen, warm family room, large pantry, sunny breakfast nook and lots of extras. #98-81448. Full golf membership. \$295,000. Call Mike or Sally.



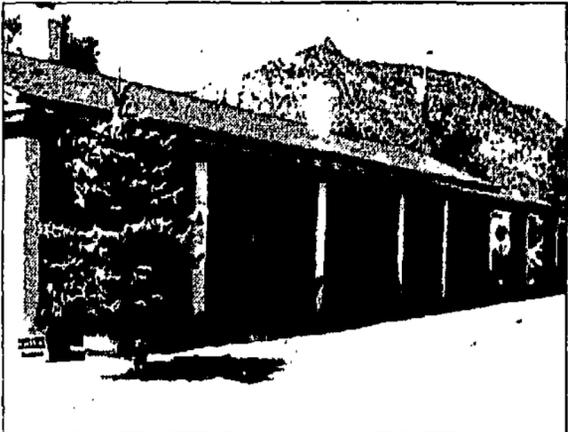
IN HISTORIC LINCOLN

Wonderful stucco home w/courtyard, saltillo tile floors, custom kitchen, Berber carpet, 2 car garage all on 3.036 acres. Domestic well, irrigation well, and windmill. 4 BD, 3 BA. Price \$247,500. #98-81925. Call Corey.



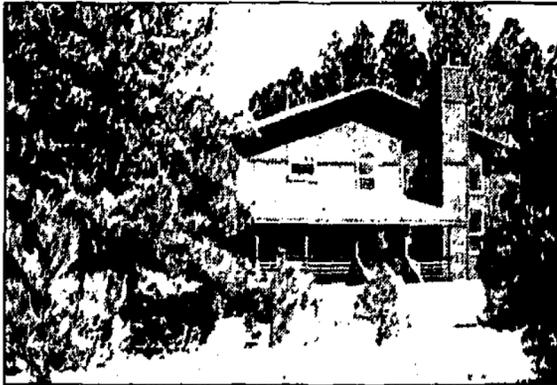
EXCELLENT EAGLE CREEK LOCATION

Very large home, newer construction on approx. 6 acres, super water well, 5 BD, 4 BA, 2 living areas, 2 complete kitchens and laundry facilities. Beautiful appointments throughout, nice floor plan with big rooms and closets. Lots of storage and so much more. Ready for showing and moving in. Call Kathy for a tour today. \$349,000.



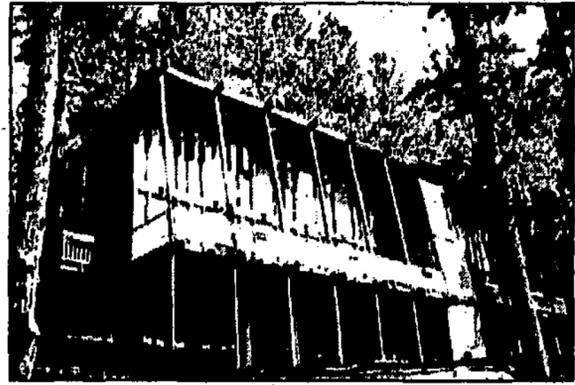
ADOBE HACIENDA IN HISTORIC LINCOLN

#98-81522. Remodeled 4 BD, 3.75 BA luxury home. Situated on 11.17 acres, 3.55 acres of water rights, domestic well and village water to keep the mature orchard beautiful! 4 fireplaces on the property. \$425,000. Call Corey.



FIT FOR A KING!

Wow! Wonderful home in Alto Village, 3 BD, 2.5 BA, double garage, level entry, master on main floor, wood floors, berber carpet, covered decks and much more. Full "golf" membership. Open layout with tall ceiling and windows in living area. Neat decorative touches all around. You need an appointment to see, so call Kathy. \$219,500.



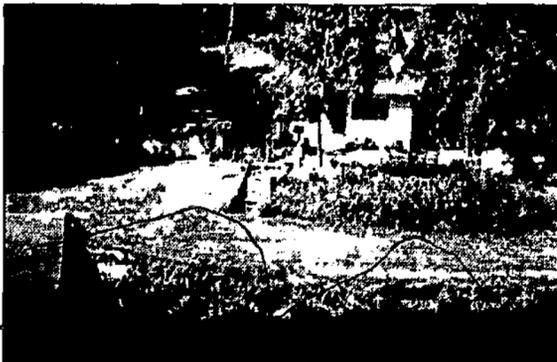
IT WILL KNOCK YOUR SOCKS OFF!

This one is fantastic! Floor to ceiling windows with views, 3 BD, 3 BA, artist's studio, office/loft, storage, laundry room, wrap around decks, 2 car garage, low maintenance siding, metal roof, paved drive, RV parking with some hook-ups, street to street lot and so much more. You need to see this one, so call Kathy for an appointment. \$249,000.



NEW CONSTRUCTION

See the spectacular Sierra Blanca view from Snowcap Drive. Wonderful split level design features 3 BDR (master suite on main level), master bath and guest bath have spa tubs and separate showers, 1/2 bath off laundry room. Huge family room with neat tile, pecan wood cabinets, double fireplace to master bedroom, vigas and latillas for handrails, skylights, loft & office area, 4 decks, oversized garage, NM mudroom and lots of storage. Scheduled completion date 5/1/99. \$249,900. Call Kathy for a tour.



EDWARDS ESTATE

Historic Southwest style adobe, situated on the banks of Rio Ruidoso. Luxurious main house, 3 BD, 2 BA, spacious living room w/FP, large master w/FP, great country kitchen w/breakfast bar and nook 2/FP, formal DR, serene sunroom. Portal connects private guest house to main house, also separate care takers quarters. This is simply one of a kind estate of old NM in tradition. #98-81520. Priced at \$750,000. Ask for Mike.



SOUTHWEST DELIGHT!

Very comfortable, newer home in Alto Village with wonderful Southwest touches everywhere. 3 BD, 2 BA, double garage, level access on level corner lot. Stucco exterior, metal roof, covered porches, built-in spa on back deck. Open living/dining with excellent kitchen layout and beautiful tile floors. This one is special! \$192,900 (Alto social membership) #98-81975. Please call Kathy for an appointment to see.

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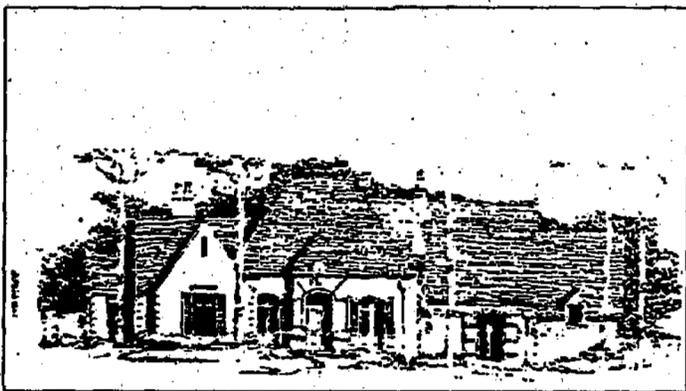
Three bedroom, 2 bath, secluded HOME with lots of charm. Sunny quiet location one one acre lot.



Alto

Hochendoner • \$165,000 • 390 Lakeshore Drive

Three bedroom, 2 bath, one-level cedar home, social membership, beautiful views with super access.



Alto

Sun Valley Builders • 104 Meadows Dr.

New construction by leading Alto builder. Very prestigious french country home with such charm. Located on a level, wooded lot with spectacular view of Sierra Blanca. Full golf membership home.



Gavilan Hills

Duncan • \$359,900

Tri-level 4 bedroom, 2 bath. Main house is tastefully done in all the right colors & accents. Nice decks with full views and sun. Located on 7.5 acres w/private 2BDR, 1BA guest house. A must see! Two-car garage. Very, very nice. Many amenities.



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Hamilton Terrace

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

SOLD!! SOLD!! SOLD!!



Alto

Davenport • \$325,00 • 221 French Drive
3 bdrm, 3 baths, beautiful stucco w/tile roof, golf course & Sierra Blanca views. Full golf membership. Many amenities come with this home.

REDUCED \$339,000



Alto

Monks • ~~\$349,000~~ • 310 High Mesa Road
Four bedroom, 3 bath – new – cedar home. Huge family room, air conditioning, metal roof on 1 wooded acre. Full membership.



Alto

Seidel • \$139,000 • 254 Sierra Blanca Dr.
Three bedrooms, 3 baths, furnished, full membership. Sierra Blanca view.



Alto

Reynolds • \$210,000 • 617 Mid Iron Drive
Three bedroom, 3 bath, split level. Full membership.

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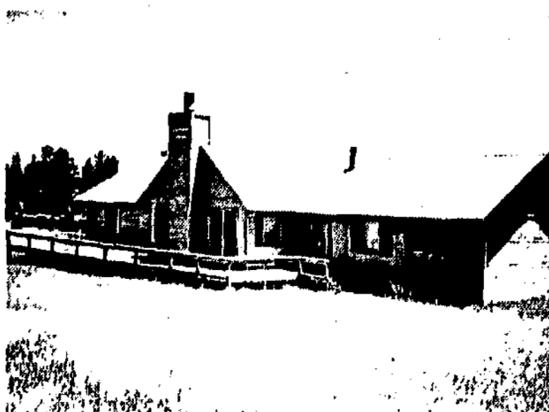
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Kruger • \$149,000 • 206 Sierra Blanca Dr.
3 bedroom, 2 bath, full golf membership. Great get-a-way with easy access!



Alto

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



Alto

Labarba • \$265,000 • 736 Deer Park Drive
Full golf membership. Recently remodeled. Open and light floor plan with easy access. Three bedroom, 2 bath.

Reduced to \$219,500



Alto

Warner • ~~\$235,000~~ • 510 Lakeshore Drive
Three bedroom, 2 bath, full golf membership. Newly remodeled with southwest flair. Exceptional rock fireplace 1-car garage.



Alto

Allendar • \$486,000 • 720 Deer Park Drive
Full membership, 3 bedroom, 3.5 baths. Dog run and gorgeous backviews. Remodeled and perfectly maintained.



Alto Condo

Adalid Corp. • \$189,900 • Unit B3, 303 Midiron Dr.
Four bedrooms, 3 bath fully furnished down to the dishes! On the #9 fairway. Full golf membership.



Ranches of Sonterra

Rennick • \$39,900 • 285 Pena Drive
Awesome acreage with views of Capitans and full southern exposure. Motivated seller!



Commercial

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



Devon Hills

Oxford • \$28,500 • 107 Jann Lane
Beautiful lot, all city utilities. Private cul-de-sac. Close to Texas Club.



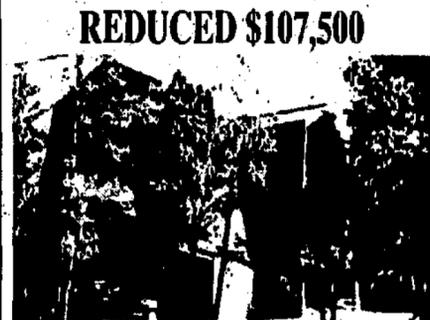
Navajo

Partee Townhomes • \$89,900 • 105 Keys Dr.
Two new townhomes. Both are end units. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, refrigerated air and new appliances. Great location.



The Alto Store

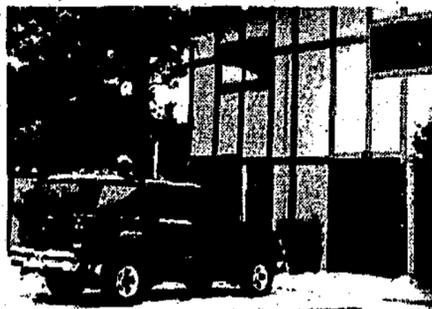
\$239,500 • Corner of Gavilan and Hwy 48
Land, building and successful business. Deli styled luncheons, convenience store and more. Call for details



REDUCED \$107,500

Enchanted Forest 2

Ervi • \$114,900 • #4 Alto Drive
Three bedroom, 2 bath, 2-car garage w/large enclosed workshop. Handyman special - house is unfinished...but close.



Innsbrook Village

Garry • \$105,000 • 212 Metz, Unit #225
Corner unit, 3 bedroom, 3.5 baths. New carpet, paint and vinyl throughout.



The Deck House Restaurant and the Adobe Plaza est. 1964

\$475,000
Includes the plaza, which has 7 rental units other than the Deck House - the Deck House Restaurant business and equipment. Never offered at this price. Books available upon request. Well established clientele base.



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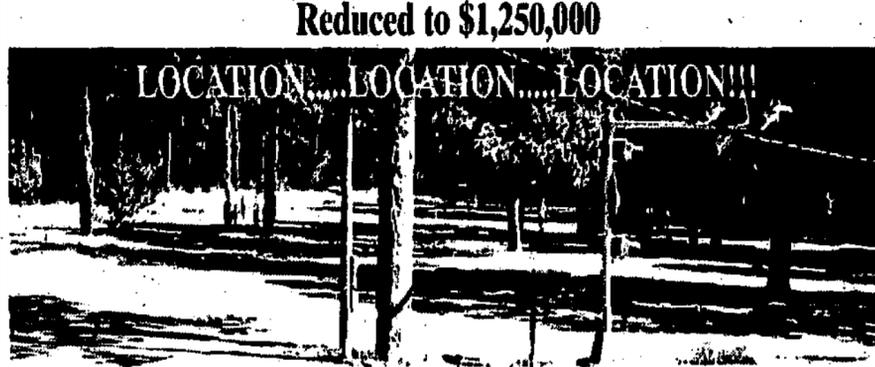
Provence • \$95,500 • 110 Di Paolo Street
Three bedroom, 2 bath, fairly new modular with beautiful views.



Reduced to \$99,500

Green Meadows

Vestal • \$106,500 • 112 Clover Drive
Furnished with fenced back yard and 2 car garage. Cathedral ceilings in living room and dining area.



Reduced to \$1,250,000

LOCATION...LOCATION...LOCATION!!!

Downtown Ruidoso

Canning • \$1,500,000 • Corner of Sudderth and Country Club
4.02 acres of prime commercial! High traffic count corner!



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Forest Heights

Edmundson • \$119,900 • 106 Gila Road
3 bdrs, 2 bath cabin, 1-level living. Mostly furnished w/workshop underneath house. Very well maintained.



Fort Stanton Ranchettes

Carter • \$399,900

Three bedroom, 3 bath lodge type home on 19.683 rolling acres bordering National Forest. 36' x 120' barn - 36' x 60' stable. 90' x 200' piped arena. Gentleman's horse ranch deluxe. 2 bedroom/2 bath mobile. Sierra Blanca and Capitan views. Creek frontage.

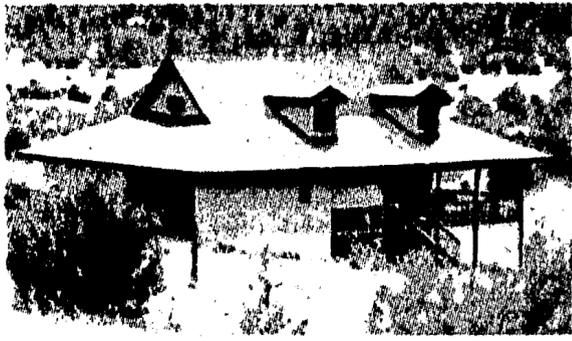
Awesome Commercial Acreage With Sierra Blanca Views

Robinson • \$1,250,000



9.3 +/- acres. Seller is motivated on this large multi-use potential piece of property in the heart of Ruidoso with Sierra Blanca views, large trees and easy access. Owner will carry paper and/or joint venture. Submit all offers.

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Alto

Howard • \$249,900 • 119 Reindeer Drive

5 bedroom, 3-bath on 6.6 acres w/social membership. Big Sierra Blanca view. This country style home is 3 years old. Hardwood floors and private master bedroom and bath. Vacant and easy to show!

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Upper Canyon

Robbins • \$399,900 • 619 Main

3 bdrms, 3 full-baths. Plus guest apt. with private entry, on the river on 2 lots!



Black Forest

Sullivan • \$189,900 • 114 Black Forest Road

Four bedrooms, 3 and one half baths, 2 car garage. Year round stream. Decorated in greens and cranberry. Beautiful moss rock fireplace.

Reduced to \$199,900



White Mountain Estates

7 Rivers • \$209,900 • 809 Hull Road

This beautiful large split level home sits on an exceptional lot in White Mountain Estates. Living room plus a nice den. Long private drive. A must see!



Valley

Lewicki • \$1,200,000 • 11+ acres on the river

New 3,000 sq. ft. home. New 14 X 80 mobile with 2 car carport. New 1400 sq. ft. barn. This is a unique piece of property.



Alto

Nichols • \$168,500 • #65 Deer Park Townhouse

Nice 2 bedroom, 2 bath level townhouse in Deer Park Woods. Fully furnished, ready to move in. Full golf membership

Reduced to \$447,000



Alto

Bennett • \$475,000 • 117 Quail Run

Four bedrooms, 4 baths, 2 car garage. Beautiful with 16 foot viga ceilings. Alto social membership. Each bedroom has its own bath. 2 private patios and an office. Alto full golf membership with acceptable offer.

Reduced to \$139,900



Upper Canyon

Carzoli • \$149,500 • 213 Perk Canyon Dr.

Three bedrooms, 3 baths with decorator touches throughout. A great house for the price.



Alto

Hensley • \$420,000 • 805 Deer Park Drive

Four bedroom, 4 bath. Beautiful new Santa Fe styled home in Deer Park Woods with full membership.

Reduced to \$575,000



Alto

Weigel • \$695,000 • 106 Meadows Drive

Four bedrooms, 4 baths, full golf membership. Big Sierra Blanca view; large in style and grace. The colors of this home will embrace you!

Reduced to \$219,500



Alto

Allard (owner-agent) • \$223,500 • 113 Sunrise

Four bedrooms, 3+ baths. Full golf membership, newly remodeled. Owner will provide home warranty.

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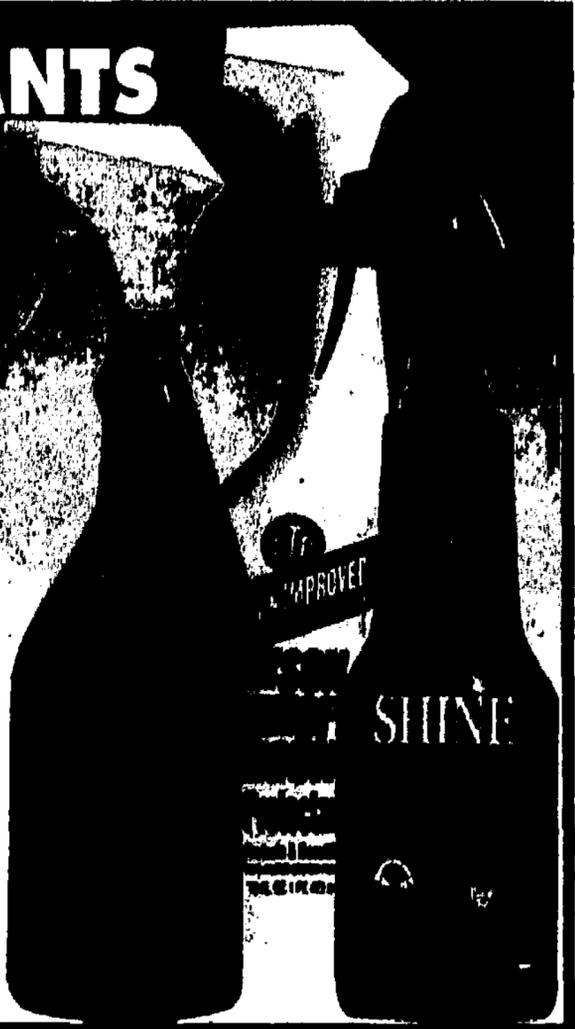
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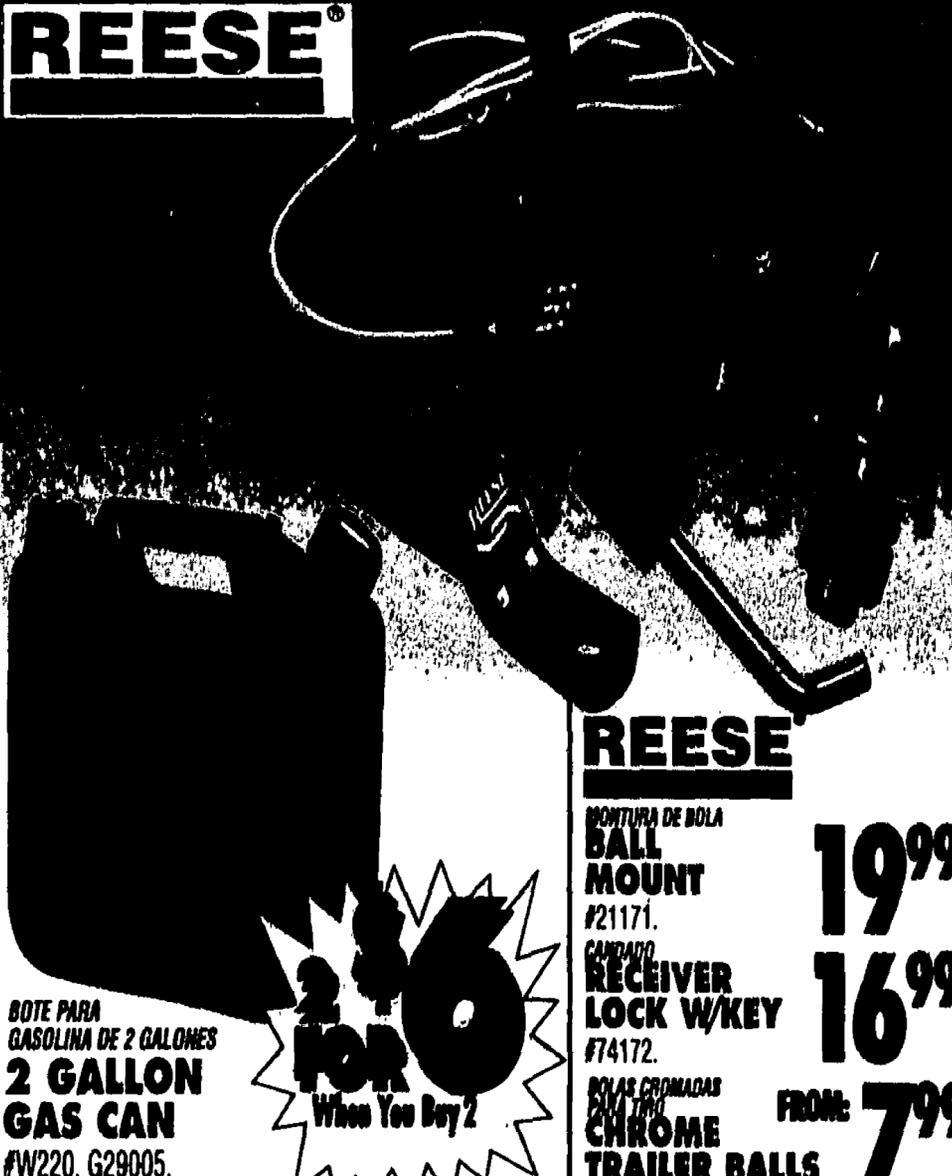
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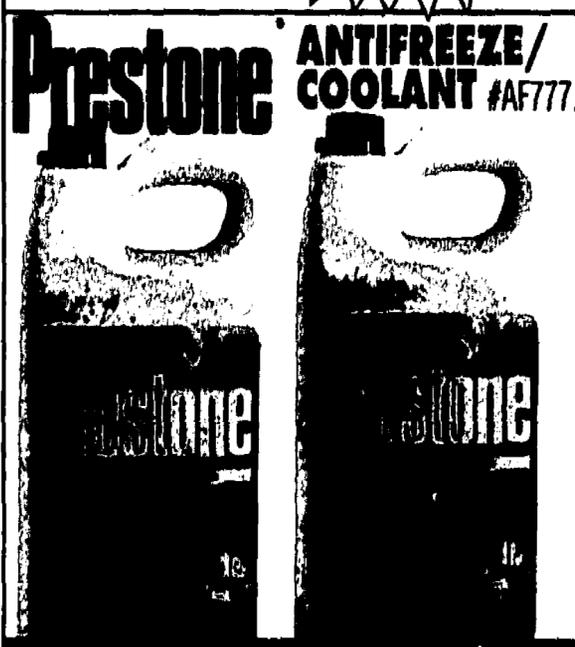
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