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## FBI pursues casino token theft probe

Two former Casino Apache employees arrested
by James Kalvelage

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Two Ruidoso area men were arrested in Las Vegas, Nev., allegedly trying to cash in with slot machine tokens missing for months from Casino Apache.
Cha

Charged by police from the Nevada Gaming Control Board's enforce-
ment division were Brian Torres, 33 of Mescalero and Wesley Guill, 22, of Ruidoso. Both had worked at Casino Apache, investigators said. The two have been accused of the use of couning at gambling, according to Keith Copher, the chief of enforcement for the Nevada Gaming Control Board.
"Around March 3 casinos here started noticing tokens from Casino Apache turning up," Copher said. "At first the tokens were defaced. Later some weren't defaced."
The Nevada Gamin
Board issued an alert to all state casiBoard issued an alert to all state casialert clerk on March 17 noticed a $\$ 100$ Casino Apache token mixed in with
other tokens, when Brian Torres tried to cash out, Copher said. Guill was re portedly arrested minutes later,
tempting to cash in a $\$ 100$ token. "Most of the (Casino Apache) tokens were $\$ 100$ tokens. Some were 25 tokens," Copher said.
More than $\$ 40,000$ in
More than $\$ 40,000$ in face value tokens from Casino Apache were seized when the pair were arrested the tribal casino at Mescalero in January, Copher said. He said discussions with tribal gaming officials at Mescalero indicated the tokens had an actual value of $\$ 1,300$, because Casino Apache no longer had slot ma A Mescalero gaming tokens. clined to comment on the case, but did confirm that the two had worked at the casino.
A Federal Bureau of Investigation official working on the case concurred,
that the tokens had virtually no value that the tokens had virtually no valu
to the Mescalero gaming operation.

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## County budget on the verge of breaking

For the last few months, Lincoln County Manager Tom Stewart has warned that the county was skating on thin budget ice. be cracking.
Despite warnings that county
ail and juvenile offender costs were running high and no more were running high and no more
non-budgeted should be approved, the commission in January approved $\$ 14,234$ for an additional sheriff's deputy against Stewart's recommendawater study. Recently, county officials
found that a $\$ 10,000$ insurance deductible is due, said Glenna Robbins, county finance officer. A budget summary prepared
Robbins March 31 shows that if by Robbins March 31 shows that if
budgets and anticipated revenues are on the nose - neither a usual occurrence - the commission will county is required by the state to carry.
reserve conmission is required to reserve $\$ 767,749$ out of the county's $\$ 11.3$ million budget. The excess after
$\$ 53,462$.
$\$ 65,214$ in addition looking at needs with additional money penses and $\$ 22,109$ for juveniles, Robbins said
"This shows that we will have to 'dip' into the required reservess
in the amount of $\$ 11,752$," Rot)bins wrote in the summary. That will happen "only if all departments spend all their estimated budgets and all revenues come in as estimated. Generally, the actu-
$\qquad$ see BUDGET mage

## Allsup's store clerk arrested

Alleged false armed robbery report leads to misdemeanor charges
by James Kaivelagif

The clerk of an Allsup's convenience store, who reported an armed holdup, admitted to investigators that Ruidoso police.
According to a criminal complaint, Mark Edward Bloomquist, 25, of Ruidoso Downs, told a Ruidoso police detective that he had taken money and up. Detective Jim Biggs said h. be-
lieves the robbery report was an effort to hide instant lottery tickets Bloomquist had allegedly scratched ut had not purchased.

Bloomquist was charged with mis demeanor embezzlement and false re demeanor.
The overnight clerk, working alone, had initially told police that two armed men had held him at gun point
and robbed the Allsup's at Mechem

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## County clinic funding raises questions

by Dianne Stallings remooront ws stah writhe

Lincoln County Commissioner Lincoln County Commissioner ion from the New Mexico Attorney General's Office on the status of the Hondo Health Clinic and money collected from a special property tax levy.
sioners acted illegally by commissioners acted illegally by giving
money from the levy to two of the four recipients named in the proposal approved by voters in 1992, the commissioner said.
But Chief Deputy Stuart Bluestone in the office of Attorney Tuesday such ria Madrid said come through a state official
"Our office received a request on March 15 and we sent back a
response dated March 23 through response dated March 23 through
civil division director Albert

Lama," Bluestone said from his of fice in Santa Fe . thority to issue attorney general thority to issue attorney general

opinions. They usually come in response to requests from district attorneys, state officials and legislators. We don't intervene in local How

However, if the issue can not be resolved on a local level, his office could issue an opinion, as it
did in the hassle two years ago over equitable salaries for county officials, Bluestone said. But a quicker route would be
for Martinez to ask someone at the state level to submit the request, Bluestone said.

In his letter to Madrid, Mar tinez wrote that his questions deal with the allocation and expendi-
ture of public money collected from a tax levy in place since 1992.

Voters approved the levy "to operate and maintain the Lincoln County hospital and clinics, so Hecifically named as the CarrizoCenter and Hondo Clinic. "As it turns out, the county has disbursed the funds appropri ately to the Lincoln County Med ical Center (in Ruidoso) and the Carrizozo Health Clinic, but the Corona Health Center and the of the money," Martinez wrote "The Hondo community formally requested their share of the money, which has accumulated to almost $\$ 600,000$ at our last county commission meeting in February." The that the county donated a portabl that the county donated a portable

## Village must be diligent in water maintenance

UPDATE: WATER


For now, Ruidoso is keeping pace with water demands, but officials can't slow up efforts to acquire more water rights, develop more wells, and repair
leaking water lines, says the village leaking
do their residents and visitors have to do their part by conserving water, re-
placing outdated fixtures with water-efficient models, and using landscaping approaches that don't require much watering, Mayor Robert Donaldson said during the annual Community Up Th that end th
or conservation officer may hire a someone is using more than 25,000 gal lons per month, the officer may visit, not to write a citation, but to work with that resident on methods to conserve water, he said. istration is continually look toward


The Water Panel of Community Update featured, from the foreground, Jerry Hawkes. U.S. Forest what the build-out of Ruidoso will re- do. quire," he said. "It's easy for some people to say let's stop growth. I'm not sure that it's necessarily a proper thing to
"We have to look where we're head ing and what our build-out is.

See WATER, page 2.



## I.C. SCRAPBOOK

A glimpse into incoin
Countys past, conpiled from
local newspapers by Polly $\mathbf{E}$. local newspapers by Polly E
Chavez. White Oaks Eagle
April 5, 1900

Winter is dying hard. The
tail end of a Dakota blizzard tal end of a Dikota blizzard
struck us yesterday, and over coats and White Oaks coal, came in good place, and that is
something that every inhabi-
n overcoat and plenty of coal Estolano Sanchez, commissioner from this
returned
from Lincoln Tues day The following delegates The following delegates Democratic party of Lincoln County at the Territorial Democratic convention to be held at Albuquerque, N.M, April 2: Salazar, W. M. Reily, John A. Haley, Jones Taliaferro and S. Haley, Jones


CLERK: Police say there were inconsistencies with what Bloomquist was saying

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and Sudderth drives about 5:45 a.m. on March 24. Bloomquist had reportedly told officers that the holdup men attacked him when he took trash to the garbage dumpsters along the
side of the convenience store. Ruidoso police compiled composite drawing of one of the suspects later that morning. The criminal complaint lodged against Bloomquist states that when asked to give a general decription of the individual with ooked a lot like me.
"There were a lot of little things that there wasn't a good
feel for at first," Biggs said.
HONDO: Hondo to
Continued from page 1A
building to the Hondo School District to create a clinic in 1996, but did not give Hond their share County Manager Tom Stewart and County Attorney Alan Morel have said the noney was not due to Hondo ecause the clinic was not in op ration, the commissioner stat
"The Hondo community contends that if the mill levy
money had been made available ney had been made availabl

WATER. The village
"And then a lot of things came together," he said of suspicion
about Bloomquist's initial ac-

Bigge said clues that raised Bigges said clues that raised
doubt in his mind about an armed robbery included Bloomquist's statement that he
was attacked outside at the garbage dumpsters. The detec garbage dumpsters. The detec sup's said Bloomquist never took out the trash until his relief arrived at 8 a.m.
lice The same employees told police that Bloomquist stayed at the store until 8:30 a.m. so he
could take the trash out again. The other employees looked through that trash in the dumpsters and found a quantity of
scratched lottery tickets, some
coins and the alarm activation necklace that Blicomquist had bers, according to the criminal complaint.
A review of the store's cash register showed it had not been opened between 5:35 a.m. and contention that the robbers had opened the cash draver at 5:45 a.m., Biggs said. And, according to the complaint, the police detective had questioned Bloomquist as to why there were bills still in the register. Bloomquist anlegedy uales between the had rung up sales between the time drawer was opened for police at 6:01 am.
the Allsup's store to scrape ice off her vehicles windows about the police that. she only saw the police that, she only saw the Quid:

Questioned again by police on March 30, Bloomquist denied crime, but, according to the complaint, stated that the evidence collected by police couldn't lie, so I guess I did it" Bloomquist then allegedly admitted he had taken money and lottery tickets and thiat he had lied to officers An audit of th.
An audit of the Allsup's reg
ter showed an estimated $\$ 85$ in instant lottery tickets were missing and the cash drawe was short an additional $\$ 35$.
lose $\$ 65,000$ if a year's funds aren't available by June 30
to them, the money would have
been uged immediately to get
the clinic open," Martinez wrote.
He asked three questions:
Did commissioner act in
error orillegally when the money
was disbursed to only two enti-
ties instead of all four as pre-
scribed in the mill levy lan-
guage?
missioners action should com-
problem? to correct the
bursed to Hondo mey be dis-
now regardless of the status of
their clinics?
have Does the Hondo Clinic
hacure services through

money will revert to the state, she said. $\$ 180,000$ froeds a guarantee of 180,000 from the tax levy to ensure the clinic can operate for a
fill year, Casey said Tuesday That would leave $\$ 380,000$ in the accumulated fund for the clinics. The tax levy as divided now generates about $\$ 480,000$ for the clinics annually and anothor $\$ 1.7$ million for the hospital. Wilson said last month, he wants an independent entity to determine the need for health care in Hondo before taking action.

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The village council autho rized a stady of single-family lots in the community "to deter
mine what really is out there, mine what really is out there, be rated on feasibility of building, because some would not ing, because some would not market, but may later when
property values increase, he property values increase, he
said.
"It will give us a guide on

## rights," he said.

Fortunately, some of the
pressure is off on New Mexico's water debt owed to the state of Texas through the Pecos River the mayor said.

The eradication of watel guzzling salt cedars and retiring

## CORHECIION

A story about the nation's drug war in Friday's edition incorrectly identified, a Capi name is Ray Siedel. The forum on the drug war was entitled Just Say Now Drug Policy Re form Forum.
Engineer determined were not
being used beneficially seem to be doing the job, he said "So the fear of having a priority call against our water rights
said.

## said.

ty althater right is real property, although it is not necessarily attached to a piece of land. The valuable priority date, the more valuable the right, he said. water for the isn't not enough water for the whole system, they
start by eliminating the junior start by eliminating
The village aims to buy 200 acre-feet more of water rights. Using a multiplier formula dict. ted by the state, that would equate to an additional 506 acre f 3et of water, Donaldson said. An acro-foot is a

## "Coupled

 almost 2,400 give the village rights in the acre feet of water rights in the Rio Ruidoso Basin," Donaldson said. "That doesn't mearn we should stop buying. Weneed for the next 20 years to con need for the next 20 years to con
tinue to buy water rights when they become available.n
With water rights in place, the associated challenge is to
produce the water to go with


#### Abstract

hose water rights, he said. Donaldson responded to list of recommendations offered by the Ruidoso River Association, represented by Dick Wis- - Attack leakage problems before taking on more demand. Base growth on available supply meet new demands. Donaldson said in an atempt to lower the amount of water lost through leaks and to costect leaks, the village is repairing or replacing about 10 miles of water lines per year. But with 320 miles of lines and mountainous terrain, the process will never end, he said. North Fork area to wells in the North Fork area to maximize output and verify the wellield's outential through an independent third party. Village officials figure the maximum water rights they can secure for those wells will produce 2,000-3,000 acre feet, Donaldson said. rights in the Rio Rurface water as quickiy as possible to take pressure off the river. wells, the Hollywood and Cherokee, and integrate them into the system for maximum flexibility. Hollywood already is on line, although it doesn't produce the best quality water, because fldson said. It is being used in aldson said. It is being used in may within the next few months be hooked to a 5 -million water storage tank so that it could service the entire town if cessary, he said.

Develop an alternative source of water for Grindstone even if the river is dry. Grindstone should he considered an emergency source of water and treatment plant capacity there shouldn't be increased without developing an alternate source of water. The village is pursuing bank water rights in river so that Grindstone Reservoir can and wells will be drilled in the and wells win be drilled in the ing and parking area around the edge of the existing lake will be relocated to higher ground to allow the reservoir to be filled, creating a larger reserve.


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## Ruidoso's 1999 activity 'equivalent to a town of 65,000'

by James Kalvelage

Long-time area real estate office owner-broker Bill Pippin, during a Community Update forime segmeni on growth trends last Friday years in Ruidoso.

In 1960, Fippin said, most village roads had dirt and gravel pave ments.

Many of the cabins were the smaller, frame cabins that were used the heat in the so-called flotlands: Pippin told the approximately 80 attendees.
"Many were uninsulated and some didn't even have running water. They provided a place to eat
sleep and keep dry, Pippin said.
sleepin also pointed to the sea sonal nature of Ruidoso's part-time residents 40 years ago
could she day after Labor Day you and not hit a gun down Sudderth and not hit anyone," he said. "Ruito live, but a hard place to maike
living.
Reviewing the price of homes and property around Ruidoso, Pippin two-hedr 1957 real estate ads offered a sohool and churches, for $\$ 8.500$. Land offerings included 80 acr with springs and timber for $\$ 24,000$. Real estate listings at the start of 2000, taken from a recent issue of Homes and Land magazine, had 44 listings under $\$ 100,000$, Pippin said. here were 58 residential hist $\$ 200,000$, and 47 others were priced from $\$ 200,000$ to $\$ 1.7$ million. lage, Ruidoso is indeed a unique vil traot home subdivisions per se.. You may have a very expensive home right next to a manufactured home." Pippin said the real estate indusgreat role in the growth of played a "Realtors have taken an active roll in politics on local, state and national levels as a watchdog on issues that effect homeowners, sell-
: CROWTH ${ }^{\prime}$. doso, ${ }^{\text {T Pippin said. }}$
make-u home owners in tuidoso has changed as well, said Rosalyn Rob nga Bank.
Years ago part-time residents owned about 80 percent of the Tod ${ }^{2}$
rcent she estimated, 30 to 35 year round
The averare in the area was sale price of a home in the arean wass $\$ 98,000$ in 1990 , said Appraisals. By 1999 the figure had jumped to $\$ 122,000$.
more than doubled, topping the sales million level last year.
"My guese is this growth will continue in residential housing, as
long as there's a good supply of mong as as long as there is not a serious natural disaster in the area, as long as there is an adequate supply of water, and the economic conditions remain good," Adamson said. While property sales soared in
the late 70 , they stopped cold in

1981, because of high mortgage interest rates, The Truman Barnett, of The Thile Company. With the "oil bust" of the 1980s, property sales remained
1990 starting in late picking up drastically and they haven't stopped since, Barnett said.
Over the last three years, according to statistics presented by Bar increased nationally by 5.5 percent. In the Ruidoso area, during the same period, sales jumped 13 per cent annually.

The demand for homes in and around the village has pushed up the size of individual sales by 86 percent
since 1996, Barnett said. Nationally the rise is seven percent.
"We had a tremendous year laët year and everything is showing it's going to continue this year," Barnett said of propertt closings. "All last
"Starting in late 990 the sales since.' year we had real estate people saying
started picking up drastically, and the haven't stopped

Truman Barnet
Truman Barnet Company my office, a demograph
ics company from Den-
ver. We were going over some of the sales statistics I had, I as they were of me. One of the points that came out was the impact this village has is surprising. lodgers gross receipts tax, the your places like the Furr's Wal Mart, those kinds of stores indicates that this kind of population should be equivalent to a town of 65,000 " Barnett said that's why so many new facilities, like new hotels and seen before are setting up shop in the Ruidoso area
there's nothing out there to sell. The inventory is we have seen more construction orders than we've ever seen."
coing?" Barnett we going?" Barnett asked. company that came into my office, a demograph

## Sheriff, Board of Education contenders state their election qualifications

- A local educator and a career rently a sergeant in charge of law enforcement officer will be patrol, Montes also has covered year.
by Dianne Stallings


## Orlando Montes

Pledging more interagency cooperation, Orlando Montes is challenging incumbent Lincoln County Sheriff Tom Sullivan in the June Republican primary. in the general election

Born in Lincoln County, Montes graduated from Hondo High School and has worked for the sheriff's office for more than 15 years, the last eight in

## domestic vio civil process.

civil process. the county chapter of the Fraternal Order of Police and a mémber since its inception locally, he said. His adyanced law enforcement training ating from the state police academy

Montes said he's chosen Bobby Angermilier to serve as his undersheriff, if elected. Angermiller has more than 14 years of law enforcement expe-
rience with his initial years in the Ruidoso Downs Police Department, where he rose through the ranks to become acting chief before joining the sheriff's office.
"The voters of Lincol County now have an opportuthe sheriffis department and the services provided by this agency", Montes -said. 4 ' will work closely with all local, state and federal law enforcement agencies to better serve county citizens.
property and the protection of property and the welfare of the most important part of this process."
have fives and his wife, Viola, have five children and operate

Douglas O. Fuqua
Douglas O. Fuqua of Ruidoso is running in the Repub-
Lican primary against incum-
bent Van W. Witt of Chaves
County for the District 8 seat County for the District 8 seat on the state Board of Educa-
Born in Tucumcari, Fuqua earned bathelor and master degrees from Eastern New
Mexico University, and took Mexico University, and took
advanced study at the Univer ad vanced study at the Univer-
sity of Northern Colorado, Sity of Northern Colorado, sity and New" Mexico State University.
He began teaching 36 years ago in Fort Sumner and has taught music, mathematics and aerospace education in and Silver City.
and Silver City.
was'employed by the Tularose School District.
Fuqua served one torm on

School Board and taught classes at UNM and NMSU.: taisk because I foel the public schools of New Mexico need a strong directional change," Fuqua säid.
The quality of high school graduates has declined over the years, he said.
who still is on the front lines in the classroom and I know the students I see today do not have the same basic acad emic skills of earlier times," Fuqua said. teachers artage of qualified teachers aggravates the situawhe current level of confi dence in the public schools is Bery low for good reasons,

Drop-out rates declined watered down the academic requirements to sule academic level that it is alniost ingpossible not to pass," he said. If feel this cheats the students" who re willing to work to achieve. "Rather than holding the schools 'accountable' on the current standards, which only who are the most creative with the numbers, I would measure schools on the only basis that means anything: Do the young people leaving the system know anything."
Fuqua's wife, Susie, is a galléry director in Ruidoso and is on the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Comimerce. childrea.

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## OUR OPINION Updating 'Update'

From affordable hrousing to water problems, economic development to growth management, dozens of Ruidoso residents at Fridays' "Community Update," an annurial day-long self-help brainstorming session sponsored by the Ruidoso News.

Some six dozen people gathered at 10 a.m. for a session on growth trends, followed by one about affordible housing. The traditional luncheon, attended by nearly 140 people, was keynoted by Rosemary Thompson, regional represenMany stayed for a concluding session about area water is-
Elsewhere in this issue are summaries of the local issues considered during Update. The videotape of a "condented on Ruidoso cable channel 11 beginning at 2 pre Thursday

The Ruidoso News thanks the panelists for their help in making Update the most successful in a continuing annual series, and thanks the record-settingnumber of attendees. n update on Update will be published in September.

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## YOUR OPINION

Violence and humanity
To the editor:
No one, especially children, should have to live in fear. Our governments are, constitution-
us. against violence
New Moring the past five years, New Mexici has moved from ninth to third (seeond in vio lence) place in overall crime, ed anyone , since 1960 . In the
1800 , Judgeiseac Parker, the hanginade saac Parker, the ecutions drastically reduce vio lent crime
"We humans often, irrationally, rationalize our ownn be
havior and beliefs." Many New Mexicans are inhumanely for encaging conivicts for decades or keeping them on death row for years instead of, humanely, putting them out of their misthariasia). Aren't most prisons miserable places?

History and the world at large condemins Hitier and the atrocities that he inflicted upon his fellow man. I don't believe that there are any pageants or
byways named in his honor Ayw there any memorials dedi cated to those who have glorified Hititer?

Lincoln County, it is time for us to stop glorifying Billy the Kid and volence, and to start speaking out against punishment'! Wouldn't anything else be hypocritical? Tinnie

## A murdered friend

Tb the editor:
Last week, my friend was murdered.
He was a being with a heart so full of Iove: Love for life, for people, and for other animals. His goal each day was singular not a neighborhood ntisance. slípped out the foor while the deliverymen were here.

The driver stopped at first, but couldn't wait the 60 seconds it would haye talken me to grab
nay happy little bundle of love miy happy little bundle of love
insteda, the driver floorea it and intentionaily sacrificed beautiful 11 e for his precious 60 Second, Do, Yous stil hear his oculd screaw, 1 leppt praying,
 But, when I teached my friend, was gasping for nit dind hit eye here imploing me the tell him It's goniria be aikight youte my
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know the heartbreak, pain, and suffering you have inflicted aprion my family and mysself. $\mathrm{to}^{\prime}$ Dn . Coioper and Carla for their kind words compassion and gentle ways with Hiasteen. thank you to the gentleman in the Jeep Wagoneer for his-assistance and concern.

Beth Boag
Ruidoso

## See motocross first.

1o the editor
As a lifelong resident of Ruidoso, and an active motocross rider, I am angered by dill the proposed motocros,s track on Airport Road.
After reading the articles in the paper, 'IE' is $\mathbf{6}$ byious' that' thity people stating their megative pinion have no clue about the stereoty mot riders in and have Steneotyped riders in general. riders partying and litfering on the proposed site. Another is worried that riders would riding on residential streets or private property
Obviously these misinattended a motocross race. attended a motocross race. ever been present at any other rack in the state.

These people need to attend a motocross race sometime, and by doing so they will realize that just hope that these people haven't convinced other local residents that the sport of motocross and local riders will have a negative impact on the airport area. I encourage anyone to attend a race and see for bad as these people haive made it out to be. : Ion Friberg

Ruidosq

## Some TV alternatives

To the editor:
from Bucke Mountain (a pountie of peaks north of Siexra Blanca): CBSGMBM 16, UPN-JSSA 38, ABC-KOATES, PBS-KENWG: All 6 are UXP frequency whidh does not reduite a bís boong anrising a small bowh tie buterini (egGhatinel Master $\mathrm{NO}_{0} 4221$ Mwiti-Bow, zhout 2 feet square), Which eang oa quickly atfached to any surfate, as foll ze soine
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guides are included. Similar service is available from Dish Cetwork.
Both services offer promotional equipment and ingtalla tion packagas which bring inrecouped through reduced sub scription costs and more pro gramming variety, A well will meet the needs of many households. The trick is to comy bine (using a reverse splitter) the cable from the antenna (net works) with the output of the DBS Teceiver This will enable all connected sets to surf net work stations independently Those needing the abignal. multaneously view different DBS'chatinels on separater sets will require a dual feceiver s'ys tem which will increase the ini monthly fee. A•radio additiontal roceiver/rempte combination eliminates compromises in placing the receiver. Eart Adam

## Zero smoking for kids

To the editor:
Congratulations to Carrizo $z 0$ for its new law making it ille gal for minors to procure, pos sess, utilize or consume any to bacco products" within the tow imits! The more we study the efrects of tobacco products, the are particularly dangerous for young people whose bedies are still developing. Permanent, irreversible, damage is done to the lungis of teens and pre-teeis who smoke.
ey the megenew law may con vey the message to our younger entirely irrational after alr Until now the messuge seemed to be that we didn't care if they dimolsed or whant themed to we just piant want them to brey tobacco pould he if ein the comminithes in Lincoln County followed Car tizozio's example of zeto tolek ancel

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watching TV, how about a few minutes with God's word? It has sbime good advice, and answer home problem home

Dole-gr wait until your chill then showe them in a church pew and expect them to listen. I am the mother of two daughters. Ive hompeschooled the oldest for the past 4 years pull my youngest out of public schiool as well. Not only has the language become progressively Forse and accepted, it leaves little doubt as to what some of the kids ar
ble We as parentis are responsible for what they are exposed to betwfere as they grow into aduits.

But, by getting badk to luasics, and grounding them in the prepared to cope as well as dea with whatever is to come in their lives. (Proverbs 22:6) Melissa Phillips
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## Equitable city services

To the editor: Re: Ruidoso officials continue to look for equitable county day, March 24.
I think Mayor Donaldson is correct in his concern for the taxpayers in Ruidoso.
taxpould point out also that us 'part-time specifically those of helping hand also
Allthough our house is in the Village limits, we piy utilities to the village of some $\$ 40$ per
month. Water -1 used 70 gal month. Water-I used 70 gal repaired - is very high for us pepartimers but is surely worth it. Sewer and garbage charges are very much out of line in my opinion. Out garlagge containier is a block away from my houge
Ine charges doubled not very long aco.
Also for our part of the city thixes, our street is not paved
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## 'Affordable housing' seen by mayor as one key to continued economic expansion in Ruidoso

by Jambs karybiatas

RUDOSO NELSS STAF TVRIER
Ruldoso Mayor Nobent Donaldson, who has espeused a need for ationdable housing, heand comment, Ruday chal laging e vilage ylan that Woutd provide the seed for an Ruidoso resident Sam Sweanengin, who said he is a finamilal plamper, said government cannot solve the housing ${ }^{\text {issue, }}$ Wh
Why not have the private Bector care chis,' affordable housing segment of the annual Community Update forum. If you start getting into subsidized housing, is the message to business that we're going to bail you out being a resort community provided fow opportunities. for high-paying johs, but the reality is a need

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DEATHS

## Joe L. Ranne

Memorial services for Joe L. Ranne of Ruidoso will be at First Baptist Church of RuiFirst Baptist Church of Rui-
Mr. Ranne Gied Monday,
April 3, 2000, at his home in April 3, 2000, at his home in Ge was born Feb. 28, 192 the United States Ai Force from 1943 to 1946. He narried Kathleen Aiken Nov. 5. 1946 . He lived in Midland, Texas, Where he was a building conwhen he retired and moved to Ruidoso.

Survivors include his wife, Kathy, of Ruidoso; sons Ronald Ranne of Whitesboro, Teras, Roy Ranne of S. Lake Tahoe, Calif; a daughter, Ronda ers James Ranne of Llano, Iexas, Roger Ranne of Glendale; Axity and lian of Rannet. sisters Nina Byme of, Hells, Texas, Inda Young of Whitesboro Texas, Jocille Typton of


#### Abstract

for many workors. He said aftordable housing is a necessiy to keep employees in the Elarlier this year the rillage decided to offer municipal land near Grindstone Reservioir, and ghathe would construct a 150 unit apartment complex: Sale would require that half of the units fall into the "affordable", category An open bid process would, the mayor said, give the village maximum bangs for and ours." Donaldson said five developers have approached the village, saying they like the con- ditions of the the offering and thens of the the offering and the open-bid process.

Revenue derived from the possible sale would return to the water department: was used to purchase the frind-


hildren; and four great-grand The family requests memorials to the Hospice of Lincoln County, 117 El Paso Road, Ruidoso, N.M. 88345.

Jerry Alyce Sailor
Memorial services for Jerry Alyce Sailor, 59, of Ruidoso were at 2 p.m. April 3 at the Community United Methodist Church, with burial at the Zephyr Cemietery at Zephyr,
She died Friday, March 31, 2000 in Ruidoso. She was born Nov. 23, 1940 in Crane, Texas. She graduated from Texas Tech University in 1963 and ived in Lubbock, Texas until 1981 when she moved to Ruidoso. She was co-owner of the member of Community United Methodist Church.
 Sailor om Jua 8,1968.
Survivors include her husRuidoso; a daughter Sue Anna

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employees per hotel,
money would be used to bring sewer lines up into the area, Doinaldson said. "Mat will allow us to look to the future and see if this works -(if it People who live and work here deserve decent housing," the mayor said.

Steve Tally, board president of the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce, agreed ith Donaldson.
500 rental units? he of 450 to 500 rental units," he said of
the Ruidoso area. "I applaud the village administration for getting behind this."

Tally called the lack of a large enoing workforce the number one issue the chamber "With three new hotel coming, with an average of 40
lem will get more severe," Thally said. With projections that Lincoln County's population will show an increase in 2000 , and by 2010 Tom Battin presiden of Ruidoso State Bank, said New Mexico Department of

Labor statistics indieate the number of people in the local work force has actually with a 4.7 percent jobless rate last year in Lincoln County, Battin said there is a need for affordable housing, in an effort to balance Ruidoso's cost of livmy.
my. The biggest factor is the
cost of housing," Battin said. But speaking from the forum audience, Swearengin said the problern wasn't a lack
of affordable housing, but of affordable housing, but He poor wages. He said if commercial enterprises go out of business because they couldn't pay a employee in Ruidoso - that was capitalism.


Lindley and her husband Shayne, of Austin Texas; and a sister, Nancy DeLoach and her husband, Remer, of Perry, Fla. The family suggests memo rials to the American Cance Arr.
Arrangements are under the direction of LaGrone Funer al Chapel of Ruidoso.

Mary Clydie Peterson
Graveside services for Mary Clydie Peterson, 91, of Amarillo, Iexas, were at 2 p.m tery, with the Rev. Fred Moore and the Rev. Wayne Joyce officiating.

She died Friday, March 31, 2000 in Amarillo

Survivors include sons Layry Peterson of Tucumeari and J.W. Peterson of El Paso, son of Florida, Pauline Moore of Amarillo Tbxas and Nadine Pe on. of Phoenix, Ariz.
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## Prepare for growth, says keynote speaker: 'It's coming' <br> by Dianne Stalingas <br> UIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRTTER <br> Growth is galloping right at Rui- <br> doso. <br> Community leaders and business owners had better prepare or keynote speaker for warned the Community. Update luncheon in Ruidoso Friday <br> "I saw Santa Fe change over the years," said Rosemary Thompron director of District 6 (Southeastern New Mexico) Economic Develop ment under the state Economi Development Department. <br> "Listening to the program. this <br> morning on the need for affordable housing in Ruidoso, I know that Santa Fe faces the same problems and sees the same mixed reactions. whether you like it or not." happen whether you like it or not. 20 years, Thompson said shek liver for in Santa Fe for 30 years, but added that today, she could not afford to pay the price that would be asked for e home she bought five years ago. Her department, Thompson ment agency with 70 employees and seven division. <br> ment. The other divisions are inter- <br> - UPDATE ECONOMY <br> national trade, film, science and technology, space commercialization which works on bringing the proMexico, and office of the Secretary that includes marketing. <br> Community development is our job," she said of her division. "We Work with recruiters to bring jobs to New Mexico. We ar assess needs, as existing businesses" <br> Involving business owners in defining community development goals, identifying problems and coming up with solutions is one of her district covers Lea, Lincoln, Otero, Eddy, and Chaves counties. <br> In line with that goal, a business retention/expansion program, is under the lead of the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commierce, banker Tbm Battin, Ruidóso Mayor Robert Donaldson and others. <br> Similar "surveys" were completed in seven other communities and Carlsbad, shesaid. The new survey is tailored to the needs of busiaess owners in Lincoln County and probably will be launched after the <br> Labor Day weekeno <br> Volunteers will sit down with business owneers and compete the survey, ahout an hour's process, Thompson said, Atter the informa tion is compiled, from four to 10 pxi orimes, including red flag, issules identified. The process could take two years to finish, but along the way a networlc of communication is created, she said. <br> Thompson said she has alerted chamber director Joan Zagone to the pospre in Ruidoso might be right as a "call center" for the telecommunica tions industry.

## U. S. Forest Service works to restore long-neglected basin watersheds

 PY DIANNE STALIINGSRUDDOSO NEWS STAEF WRMER

Some critics blame overgrazing by livestock and excespoor condition of the watershed around Ruidoso.
But Smoksey Bear District Ranger Jerry Hawkes told guests at the annual Community Update Friday that what led coln National Forest and stands of trees in the Sacramento Mountains was the effort started 80 years ago to protect valuable timber, grazing forage and pockets of development.

The Forest Service began to manage for their products and it rees to burn, so they put out fires," he said. "The trees and brush have gone unchecked. One hundred years ago, the forest was more open with large
neath them. When there UPDATE: WATER SHED tion areas the smaller trees and fores and the mountains" would burn, but the larger trees Hawles said. thould survive Today, many of the large trees are gone and were left with crowded trees of medium to small size. When it rains, the soil erodes because nothing grows under them.":

With grass and forage allowed to grow in forests where
small trees are removed, the run-off after a rain is slowed and water can percolate into the underground supply - called recharging the aquiffer-as well as drain into stream systems, he
said. A
A crowded forest could proleaping from tree crown to tree crown, driven by seasonally strong winds, Hawkes said. But officials now recognize past mistakes, he said. Wh

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Hawkes said.
Hawkes Hawkes defined a watershed as a drainage area or runof basin. The Rio Hondo watershed is one of 21 in New Mexico given priority for special federal dollars to improve its condition he said. Smokey 400,000 acres in the coln National Forest, 50 percent needs more work, Hawkes said.


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We've treated 36,000 acres oo this point, but we not onily have 150,000 new acres to trieat, but those areas that have been and we'll have to go back in, he aid. "But it will be easier to maintain once the initial treatnent is finished.

Portions of the forest are being cleaxed of water gurzaling jumipers and small pines in an a fire and to increase the water recharge, Hawikes said.
more groups, government entities, and individuals became interested in watoished management, but they need have tinue to work together, Hawke said,

The thinning must continue on private and public land and In the last few' years as
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Mheywere not being use by the (Cakino, Apache) gasino. well, FBI spepitil agent at the Albuquerque office said,
case," Whwell spid. "We into the case, Ellwell said. "We are tion Alaitional charges ar posifible; and additional arrests conld come, Ehwell said: While briege and Guill have been harged in Nevada state court deral prosecution, for thef an ration and inter

BUDGET: Stewart

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I ending cash balance at the ad of June is somewhat greater han the estimated cash balance howing on the balance sheet. Stewart said Tuesday "This g continuation of what I have een saying?
tan and juvenile detention casts haven't come down "and m concerned," he said: "I don rant to panic anyone. 1 jus want to be fiscally responsible. t appears we may go over the budget and we need to make an

## state transportation of stolen

 goods would be up to the U.In Las Vegas Coipher said while Las vegas, Copher said charged, there are more individuals believed involved in the token theft who could eventually be arrested.

The Casino Apache tokens are not supposed to work in slo machines at other casinos, but "marker system" in the ma chines don't work, and the ma gitimate tokens are accepted. Apache tokens that of Casino Apache tokens that had been
accepted in Nevada casino ma-
chines was estimated at more age" $\$ 1,000$, a "small percentage Copher said of the more missing tribal tokens discovered in the ariests.
Torres and Guill are believed to have been in Las Vegas on two separate occasions in arch, investigators said. released from the Clark County Deteastion Center in Las Vegas after posting $\$ 20,000$ bonds "The U.S. Attomey will discuss the matter with Las Vegas authorities to determine if fedral charges will be filed," RIergal charg
well said.

Two men face trial in killing of Ruidoso man
Both deny guilt in the death of John Mirabal, who died in August
999 after being sho
by Diannie Stallings
The trial of two men charged in the shooting death of John Mirabal of Ruidoso in
August 1999 is set for Sept. August 1999 is set for Sept.
Peter Noce, 36, of Silver City and Jack, Stepp of Las Cruces will be tried together in the 12th Judicial District court of Judge Karen Parsons in Carrizozo.
Noce is charged with voluntary manslaughter and ampering with evidence, bined sentence of seven and a half years and a $\$ 10,000$ fine. Stepp faces charges of agravated battery and tampering with evidence.
if convicted, he also could he sentenced up to sears and a half years, provided the jury
finds the battery resulted in death:
A court clerk explained that if District Attorney' Scot Key successfully argues that aggrayated circumnstances increased by one-third.

The two men waived their preliminary hearing in magis trate court in Ruidoso and their arraignment in district court in Ca

According to police ac counts and court records Noce and Stepp were drinking
at The Quarters bar in Ruidoso. They argued over Mirabal's girlfriend in the bar park ing lot at about $1: 30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$.

Mirabal, 29, and his companions drove to their condo minium at The Village Lodge On Mechem Drive. Noce and
Stepp allegedly followed them. .

In sworn statements, witnesses said Noce went to the passenger side of Mirabal's car a scuffle ensued.
the gun away from him" and then a shot was heard,
records reflect. As the two women drove away, they heard Mirabal say, "Hey, hey," and saw him run
after the vehicle. When they after the vehicle. When they stopped, he fell.

The women pulled him into the vehicle and drove him Center, where he was pro nounced dead.

The women stated they saw Noce in Stepp's vehicle and noted the license plate Police them track Stepp and inter view him in Las Cruces inte Noce was arrested in Sil ver- City Aug. 26, four days after Mirabal's death, and was brought back to Lincoln Coun

Key will prosecute the cas for the state. Attorney Gary Stepp.

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adjustment Another financial item he's keeping in mind is the new fire Station at Ramehes of Sonterra, agreed to loan the Bonito Volun teer Fire Department money in excess of what that group has available to build the station. Hes not sure if the money
be needed in this fiscal year. "We're operating on th margin for sure," Stewvart said "Commissioners are trying t hold the line on taxes and I don't
blame them for that, but ther blame them for that, but there f your child is 3 or 4 y
requirements.
pared by Robbins was requestpared by Robbins was requesttinez, who yoted against paying for the extra deputy for the last five months of the year. At that January meeting, commissioners took no action on a haridicap ramp for the senior cial help for libraries in Capitan and Ruidoso.

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presidents who assumed the office upon the death of the president
presidents who assumed the office upon the death of the president. "A
The second evening, "Politics and the Presidency," begins with "A Independent Cast of Mind" which focuses on America's occasional proclivity to elect a president who claims to be independent of partisan politics. As the program suggests through recounting the stories of Joh Adams, Taylor, Hayes, and Carter, mependence doesn't always lead to effectiveness. The Professional Politician examines the relationship between the skils required for success in poitics and the skills require by a successful presiden. The
"Executive Vision" opens with "The American Way," featurin presidents who advocated limiting the powers of the federal government Though Jefferson, Coolidge, Hoover, and Reagan may have understoo the special character of America in different ways, each was guided by a belief that there is a distinctiy American way of doing things. "The World stage" highlights Monroe, McKiniey, Wison, and Bush, four men engaged in the task of securing a stable world in which American interests could be asserted and denided.

The fourth evening, "The Candidate," starts with "The Heroic Posture" Whichexamines men of millitary fame who became Commanider-in-Chie Chites Wigton, W.H. Harrison, Grant, and Eisenhower. In "Compromise fisis positive qualities than for bis relative lack of negative ones. As the prestdentital career of Pierce, Gariteld, Harding, and Ford demonstrate, the testuits can be surprising.
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## Pre-prom alcohol forum attracts no parents

By SANDY SUGCII RUIDOSO NEWS STAEE YTMEE No parents were at the
Monday forum organized to form parents of the symptoris of alcohol poisoning so they could pass the information on to children who will be attend, ing the school prom Saturday often involve alcohol.
"This just emphasizes what the kids sey, that the community doesn't care what happens to them," said Victória Hisel, business manager of the DWI Prevention Frogram. fliers about the $7 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. forum to parents of juniors and semiors at Ruidoso High. Sehool and put more than 100 posters around town - and not one parent came to the forum.
Jana Hawmitt, a probagram, said she thought prozram, said she thougni whe because of "heavy-duty denial" "Pa
"Parents think Td much rather may kids drink at. home than out with a bunch of kids, fammitt said. She parents needed to come to the: forum, while they didn't need to because their children wouldn't drink.
All the committee members who planned the event and drug use among young people in the commurity, and that some parents rent condominiums for their children's parties - and provide alcohol.

Thtert, tesedrch that shows that alcothol damages brain de. Telopnent on youpg peoples, menhions, ot thata compittee Elicueroa, wha has been teachin' stuidents in area schnols.

The committee had planned to show two videos. sudden death caused by alco sudden death cauced by alco-
hol poisoning. Parents of hol poisoning. Parents of binge-drinking teld of finding them dead the next morining. The other video showed X-rays of brains of young people who binged on alcohol and the
damage it did to their brains, particularly in their ability to parn.

Death is a real possibility for someone who piasses out from alcohol consumption, said Barbara Reyes, DWI coordina-
tor. The old standlays of coffee tor, The old standloys of coffee, person "sleep it off" could risk the life of the individual A cold shower could put the person in shock, and food and coffee can cause the person to vomit and choke, she said.
When people are treated for alconol poisoning in the treated as are other drug overdoses, said Gielow de Figueroa. An intravenous line is inserted to keep fluids flowing and to keep them from going into shock, and they're hooked up to a ventilator to also \#iven charcoal to help are sorb the poisons.
Al the participants at the
otherwise parentless parent
forum said they feit it was aribical for all high sechool youth to prom. Green hishool princlpal Bill working in conjunction with Viclice Hisel on giving prasen-
tations to classes during Gertations to classes during Gerald Ames's
"That's nows to me," Hisel said, hut she called later to sisel that she talked to Gerald Ames and would be in his dlassroom all day Friday. The history classes are for juniors, she said, but there are also seniors
taking the class. taking the class.
Green said there would be a day-long seminar in May behigh school and that Students Against Drunk Driving is "getting the word out and putting posters up $\ldots$ about abstinence fura without it

The schpoll doed not en dorse any Ideas about stay at home and have parties thiak posed to drink, so don't do it's Green sata.

He attributed the lack of parents at the parent fortum to apathy end parente letting the "Ghe kids cail the shots. Sp many parents tume a blind eye to it, they say Not my hidg and mon they get a call at 3 in the morniag anat their ades

The prom committee has activities plamed throughout the night of the proin to ret partacipants involved in the prom and not leave the build and drinks and activity booths The school is definitely encouraging the police depart ment to be out in force and that what might feel a aneed," Green that might feel aineed," Green
said.

## LULAC convention here Saturday

## Options available.for after-prom fun, courtesy of two churches

## by Sandy Suggitt

ULDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER
Prom-goers will have the Ruidoso Bowling Center to a.m. Saturday, and can go from there to a party at the 420 Mechem Drive Mechem Drive.
We rented the bowling we're retutning to the First Baptist Church and we're going to have games set upgoing to have games set up--
ping pong, air hockey, baskiet-
ball, board games and movies,
from 2 a.m. 6 a.m, ${ }^{\text {n }}$ said Mark Davis, youth pastor
First Baptist Church.

Davis said he and John Duncan, youth pastor from the Gateway Church of Christ, are paying for the parties out of their church budgets. Food will be available and prizes the night, including a VCR, CD player and a color television. T think there needs to be something to do (after the prom) and I know a lot of kids
prestdent for the south
The Ledgue of United Latin, Amprican Citizens Dremact for New Mexico nuil conyention in Ruidoso Saturday.
The convention will be hosted by ihe Lincola County chapter and wrill be at Clube Meadows Country Carteople atfending trom cumcari will he welcomed by Lee Martinez, local LULAC president and a Lincoln County commissioner, and by Mayor Ro
Dr Cuca Castillo, district director, will preside. Presentations will ba made by Coninie Martiniez, state director, and Chevo Moralez, past national vice

Barbara Perez Casey ne Hotido, Xalley isuperin endent of Ediools aida for tor, vill give state legisia dress.
A social featarigg the infill be on Furay at th Rui dos of Sonion Citizens Cerite at 7 pm Mhe evening will LuLAC by Dr Cyththis of Oroze vi Dr Cynthia E. provided by the Glendint provided by the Glencoe Fi-
esta Dancers, Eva Reyes Cristina Ontiveros Noyes Rodriguez and Scoth Brady:"
nformation concerning activitigs is ayailable from Jerxy Salas, LULAC Ficepresident, at 430-1510 or
$430-6863$.
them an alternative and an after-prom thing," Davis said.
The howling alley will be The howling alley will be will be able to bowl free.
"It's a non-controversial event where we don't have to worry about people coming in drunk, and it makes for a real soid. "We're hoping this thing
kicks off and sparks some more interest to make and better next year."
Davis said he would have participants sign in and out in case parents called and wanted to know where their children are.
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rect for either farsightedness or nearsightedness. Availabie in clear or rect for either farsightedness or nearsightedness. Available in clear or ing and opaque, color changing, options. We even. offer WILD EYES cosmetictheatrical lenses in many prescriptions.
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Monovision and bifocal lenses. For patients who need correction for
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options. Check with Dr. Gutowski and Dr. Sonneamoser.
Questions concerning the wide variety of both corrective and cosmetic con-
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Mescalero Trail. Ruidoso, NM


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## Lights out for tennis team

By Wendy Widener

The Rividoso tennis team had a chilly, dark evening on Now Mexico Military Institute Colts Thursday.
The match started at 8 p.m., but didn't end until almosit 7 p.m. As the district
foes played into the sunsest, the foes played into the sunset, the
cold breeze began to blow and darkness set upon the Ruidoso tennis courts.
The east court had twofailngg lights, on the diagonal from each other, so one player on axch side had an advantage olayer covid possibly see the player could possibly see the Ginish their matches even theough the lights had failed,
buit finally the remaining games were moved to the other court, There, all four lights ly interrupted as the lights Dave Anderson fad the liont's coin-operated powt source moxe quartere.
ted atierson seemed disgrunteamplayed undenditions his , thiche kids played really on oproiturity to pliv one of the bets teams in the states
But, arain, we are up against
the facilities we play at. Ou school will not resurface the courts we have, so we can't use them. Theyre unplayable fo high school be resurfaced ever year for the last three or four years and nothing has been done. "Therible city's light situation-is terrible. Both the city court and in sood courts are jus embarrassment that we have to play under these conditions. It doesn't give our kids a feel ing that the community or the school cares; when the facilities are just rundown like they
are. So if we expect our kids to play to their potential, then wo nieed to give then every oppor tunity we can.
Anderson continued, These are simple thinges. These are not expensive things. The sichool cam resur
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$\$ 10,000$ and the village can pu Hew lishts in for probph under \$1,000. Both of the facil ities can be uged by the community as troll.
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pespite the failing facilities
and the complaints of coaches and players, the boys fought while falling to NMM
The game in which the Warriors triumphed was a doubles match saw senior Charles Flenary and junior Jesse Anderson team up to beat William-Burke and Jason Zuniga.
Zuni
Paul Brga. Went on to defeat Paul Brown in a singles fight dark. The match finally ended in Zuniga's favor, but not until Brown gave it all he had.
be ashamed of (Paul) had nothing to Coach Oaroliyn Satterly NMMI Brown also toamed up with Jeremy Phillips to go into three sets ys. Andrew Juavamillo and Louis Villalobos. Brown and Phillips won one of those sets but the other two were given to

Junior Saras Sharma didn't do too shabiby; as' he only came out for the team the day before his first meet. Sharma
was overthrown by NMMI's Was overthrow

The Burlse didn't go down without a fight, as the warsoru, few but proud temanes NMiMI cadets.

See tranitis, page 28


The Warrior softbali team shows off the first trophy it won In the team's history- aurnesy second-place


- Cassie Bednorz, Kathy Hightower

Simona Ramos, Fromknecht and Mille - again doing most of the damage. un and triple, and Ramos, Fromknecht and Miller all hit 1000
"Thie hitting was really on," Baca
understated.
The Warriors picked up six runs in three in the fourth.

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good job in relief.
Getting Gheer, who missed the early part of the season with an injury, back on the mound was a big help, but
Baca said there were other factors as Baca said there were other factors as "I think she does give a little bit of
confidence, but I also think the defense helped us and definitely the offense," he said. "Crystal's a good pitcher, but I think she'd be the first to admit that without defensive backing (it wouldn't ball, but when they did, the defense was there to make some plays."

Thatcher, Ariz. 5, Ruidoso 4
In Saturday's championship game, the Warriors came within one run of earning the tournament title, falling 5-4 to Thatcher, Ariz.

Despite cold weather - it never snowed, but Baca said storms circled players on other squads, Ruidoso jumped out to a quick 3-0 lead. on a double by Miller, then Miller and Ramos scored on a hit by Brantley, The Warriors held that lead until
fourth, when the team's youth and inexperience caught up with it.
Thatcher went ahead $4-3$, scoring the four runs on three Ruidoso errors. Thatcher added one more in the bottom of the sixth, then it. was the Warriors Bednorz
Bednorz scored on a single by
Ramos and the Warriors had a runner Ramos and the Warriors had a runner
on third, but left her stranded, leaving

## Carrizozo girls withstand weather

BY KAREN Boertler
RUDOSO NEwS Sports
TULAROSA - Cold temperatures and the threat of snow sent many teams home
early from the Rose Relays in Tularosa Friday, including Capitan and Hondo, but for Chose who stayed, the finishers made the bone-chilling termperatures worth while.

Carrizozo's girls put on a solid show, taking fourth and Animas, all bigger schools. The meet included teams from as far north as Santa Fe, as far west as Lordsburg and every-


Brooke Holland finished Girst in the 1,600 -meter run, the first time she ran in that meter run. Ariel Burr was the fastest girl at the meet, winning the 100 -meter dash, and Zozo's 400-meter and $800-$ meter relay teams both finished first. "They did pretty good," said coach Pat Ventura. "The last few races we pulled some peo-
ple out and switched them. We


Jessica Castenada crosses the finish line first in the 800 -meter run with teammate Jessica Tully-Mitchell, far left, second.
had the relay loaded, and pulled it out. And pulled the
medley out and and pulled the medley out and and pulled the mile relay out. But that's all
right. In this weather, we qualright. In this weather, we qual-
ified some. We had a few strains, we didn't want to pull any muscles." The Grizzly boys finished ninth, with no gold medals but
some strong second-place finishes

Bryan Bartz took second in the 200 -meter dash, qualifying for state, and third in the 100 javelin with a state qualifying See RELAYS, page 2B

## District baseball snowed out

KAREN BOEHLER
RUDOSO NEWS SFORTS EDTIOR
TULAROSA - Mother Nature played an April Fool's trick on the Ruidoso basebal ing the field with snow and forcing the postponement of the Warrior district opener
Cobre.
But Ruidoso did get a pair of games in against Tularosa Thursday. Unfortunately for the their second victory.

## Tularosa 9 , Ruidoso 1

The Warrior bats were again slow in coming around,

## the Wildcats early in the game.



Wildcats early in the gen Seconct baseman Wille Lumdquist tosses to flrst baseman Tristan Torries durir After Tulaxosa scored in the ing Thursday's game against the Wildcats in tularosa.
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wind home run by Daniel Bigas, the Warriors fift

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Willie Lundquist started the Ruidoso action with a single thier came home on a double by Ryan Blackman. But Blackman was stranded at second when the next batter struck out, and muster in the game.
Tulie caqme back in the bottom of the stanzo with two runs, then, affer a pitching change from Chad Swhinner to Matt Looke, picked LIp tyo more on the thitd. Whe Cats added to thein
total with three in the outth axd one in the

David MeNally came on to pitch for Ruidosi in the sixth, and held Tularosa scoreless thanks o some strong backip in the field
While the Warriors could only manage one run, they were making contact with fhe ball Rudoso had four hits, three of thase doubles Locke also doubled.
On the motund, Swanner Went two 1 nnings
ving the three runs on four hits one walk, a hit

RELAYS: County teams perform well
Continued from page 1B
throw and the 400 - and 800 metar relay teams each
finished second. finished second.
Ventura said. "They've stili got a ways ta go to get in got a ways to go to get in
shape and we're still a little broke dowh."

But the coach sees a promising future. he "Weid. "Noming along," he said. "Next week we
ought to have a better week Capitan left early, but Capitan lent early, but
two Tigers decided to brave
the cold for the 3,200 -meter run. Tyler Haughness, who
finished fourth, and Adam finished fourth, and Adam Tigers left at the track at the finish.
"I don't think it was
that bad," Haughness said. "I just think (the rest of the team) just wanted to leave."
Hobbs, who ran ail undled up, said Haugh. buss decided to stay, "and I just came along. I was thinking about it, and do it, I decided I would, too. having fun. I had a beanie, some pants. What more do Mescalero also stayed to the end, and while the at Tularosa, coach Sheldon the effort. good. Everybody beat their
BASEBALI:


## TRACK: Ruidoso strong

at Socorro meet
Contnued from paga 1 B
to yoin Schiele as a state quadifier
Ryan Kinabrell helped the Warrora take all hut the top spot in the pole vault by finighing fourth. in the triple jump, and Karimi Sparks took first in the high jump, Monica Keves state-qualifying second time. Monica Keyes was second in the 300 .
meter hurdles, and both the 400 - and $800-m e t e r ~ r e l a y ~ t e a m s ~ f i n i s h e d ~ s e e s ~$ $800-\mathrm{m}$
ond.
"Overall, we're pretty pleased;"
Maskewt said. "We see a couple of Maskevt said. We see a couple of things we need to work on and werre going to try to concentrate on that in Of the seyen teams competing in tors, and while Silver finished on top in both divisions, Maskew thinks the Warriors have a chance to be right in the hunt for the district title
said, , have more thati hope," he
Saturday; the Warriors travel to Invitational, which Maskew said will be "a mess", because of Ruidoso" prom. "We're trying to concentrate on a
few events, and let some of the kids
get back early" he said. "We're going try to makke the best of it." get the field events finished, qualifying a few participants, and do one relay: Then, some of the older athletes will head back to Ruidoso while the younger athietes who whill get a chance to run in more events. Results from the Socorro Invita-
tional follow.


Continued from page 18 batsman and three strikeouts.
Locke went three innings, allowing six runs on five hits, no walks and four strikeouts.
McNally
hit a batter and McNally hit a batter and runs nor hits.

Tularosa 10, Ruidoso 3 Swanner started off the second game with a solid triple
in the first inning but was stranded when Ben Lundquist hit a shot back to Tularosa The Wy May.
of Swanner on then keyed picking up one run in the first and three in the second before Swanner was relieved by

Tulie picked up four more runs to jump out to a $8-0$ lead
The Warriors tallied one

## SOFTBALL: Warriors get Cobre trophy

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## Ruidoso one run short. "Thatcher was by

 "Thatcher was by far awery good team," Baca said. " think what happened was we contacted the ball well, but
some. of our inexperience howed through

Baca said the game was ood learning experience fo the young squad, giving them chance to play in a tight match said. "In the past couple $h$ said. "in the past couple o any close games. We came out

## TENNIS: Warriors fall in district to NMMI

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Bowie pretty easily. So I think that's a pretty good accomwhis was a good test for us. tight game. We kind of fell But Baca had no doubt who the better team wa
the seven innings, ${ }^{\text {one }}$ baid No doubt about it. It was just that one inning we got a little mistakes."
Fromiknecht Warriors - Gheer, Ramos :- were named to the all-tournament team.

Simona being a freshman,
was pretty impressive at the with all the girls, but thase hree girls were noticed by th ther coaches.
Now the
to district pla
Ruidoso was scheduled to face Santa Teresa in the 3AAA opener Tuesday, and Baca felt as team was ready.
"The girls are ready to play now it's just; a matter of getting he said. "Rellaxing and jus playing the game we can play.

## Blackman at third for three

when Nick Page tripled and
came home on a ground-ball out by Tristan Tbrres. Cats scoreless in the third and fourth, with Locke going 1-2-3 in the fourth.
The Warriors then added a sifth when Locke reached on an error, advanced on a wild
pitch and an out by Blackiman, then came home on a Tularosa The 'Cats tallied their final Run in the top of the sixth, and the seventh when Ben Lundquist led off with a single, passed ball and came home on a single by Locke.

Although both teams were also had some fine fielding Coach Mike Morris singled out
solid efforts, including a line shot that he caught and became a double play when the runne There were-still far to many Ruidoso strikeouts at the plate, but Morris said his "Once again, ye have young players, and they re learning," he said. "All these games are what it's about. Our hitting is not what it should ve're still learning the And we're still learning that too. slow"." four hits, with tine triple by Page the only extra-base hit. gainst Cobre the snow-ou gainst Cobre, the Warrior were scheduled to try again to Silver. Saturday, Ruidoso is a home against powerhouse Santa Teresa.

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Weather wisdom


The Anchmedeans Club of Captran High School yisited Saierra Blanca Regionat Alport Tuestlay to sees the weather station, At left back, are Mike Regions. math teacher and jacob White, clut, necondert in front ane Cario DeSaintis, dent The 11 ith-grade students had built a weather station at school from a kit and are serting up a Web page

## Historical preservation: grants now available

SANTA FFE - Proposals archival program, to re-for-
projects to improve mat records or to createdocfor projects to improve preservation of and access to historical records will be accepted through April 28 by the New Mexico Historical Records Advisory: Board in the second year of a preger
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tate counte applicants are ribal county, municipal and public government agencies, public universities, quasigovernmental organizations, non-profit organizasulting with qualified groups. The types of projects that will be considered are those that will improve the preservation of and public access to original records through training in records archival methods, establishment of a records or
umentary editions.

Grants from $\$ 500$ to $\$ 8,500$ will be awarded from residual and contingency funds. A match of 25 percent project cost is réquired. late May and money will in late May and money will be availabie on a reimburse-
ment basis from June ' 1 through March 31, 2001. The guidelines and at application forme may be downloaded from the state Commission of Public $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Records. Web page } \\ \text { www.state.nm.us/cpr; } & \text { or }\end{array}$ write to New Mexico Historical records Advisory Board, 1205 Camino Rey, Santa Fe , NM87505.

For more information, call board chairman Elaine tor Jo Anne Jager at (505) 476-7900.

## Some in region object to flight training over Otero Mesa

## German Air Force expands at Holloman

by Dianne Stallings RUDDOSO NEWWS STAFF WKITER

Despitte olvjections from local ranchers, envirommental groups and one federal agericy about the location of the flight training area, the Gerxain Air Force Flying Training Center was activated last week at
Holloman Air Force Base Holloman Air Force Base.
Lt. Gen. Rolf H. Portz German Air Fonce ehief of staff, presided over cere-
monies with Gen: Michael E. Ryan, U.S. Air Fotce chief of staff.
The center wras established at Holloman in May, 1996, as a tactical training center. At the time, about 325 German military persomnel and 12 Tomado aircratt
were assigned to the base. Those number increased to 600 German military staff and 25 Torinadoes today and will continue to grow until about 750 military personnel, 125 civilian employees and 42 Tornadoes are in place by the end of 2001, according
to information from the Air Force.

## RUIDOSO POLICE

Cash taken in buiglary
Ruidóso police are investigating a burglary that took gating a burglar, at Circle J
Daree last monthecue, at 1825 Sudderth place last at 1825 Sudderth
Brive. According to police Drive According to police
files, the larcenyßurglary files, the larceny/burglary and March 20.
and March 20.
6336, was missing containing restaurant's office. A rear door to the office was also found partially open.

## Felony larceny probed

A March 29 incident at a Suddierth Drive gas station restilted in the business manager's purse disappearing, along with a rep
travelers checks.

The manager told police she let a person use the business phone, which was behind the sales, counter. The manager noted that the suspect later
when thanking her for the use
of the phone.
gated as felony laring investi-

License
taken from truck
An emplogee at Sierra Glass, on Mechem Drive, reported to Ruidoso police hat a license plate had been taken from the company's work truck. The incident ccurred between p.m. March 30 and 9 am. March 31.

Wallet grabbed on street
A Ruidoso man, stopped for questioning by police after he was observed running down the street at 1:50 a.m., had just been stolen.
The victim said he was outside the Quarters Bar on

German air crew training for the F$4 F$ Phantom II and Tornado is centralized at Holloman. Crews come to the base at Pensacola, Fla.

Fighter weapons instructor courses for both aircraft also are taught at the base, along with advanced tactics for Tor The Germa
The German Air Force has trained ears Rysed states for more than 50 Friday, which said during the ceremon eaxly 500 included a formation of ational and internair force troops, and a 16 international dignitarie oned at Holloman
Bob Jones, president of the Paragon Foundation, a non-profit group that has sued the United States Air Force to stop he use of Otero Mesa south of Alam ogordo for training runs, said he's not gainst German's training at Holloman.
opposed to the German presence, but we certainly are opposed to the training compound at Otero Mesa and all the day. year ae group filed suit more than a year ago to stop construction of the complex and is asking the court to order the air force to move training operation White Sands Missile. Range.

He pointed out that regulations require the air force to use all areas it controls to the fullest extent before seeking more. Air Force officials have countered that the missile range is inappropriate for the training missions ty. But dones said in view of other similar lawsuits filed against the Air Force across the country, "I think they better back up and use what they have or they may lose it all."

Sudderth Drive early morning on April 2. He said he had been looking through his wal came from behind and took the wallet.
The:skallet reportedly con tained five credit cards and other identification cards.

## Household battery

Police arrested a-Ruidoso man March 30, charging him with battery against a household memker.
Arrested was Kenneth Wayne Carnes, 52. Police were called about $7: 45$ p.m. to Whitney Drive residence, according to a police report. The victim had a mino cut to. the head arid a black eye, said an investigating off cer. The report alleged that a head lock and forced her head into a chair.

## Census workers still in demand

Tests of basic skills for those wanting part-time work with Census 2000 - with hourly wages from $\$ 10.50$ to $\$ 12$ an hour - will be conducted today at 10 a.m. at Pioneer cio Senior Citizend Cen Paviond at 2 p.m. at Eastern New Mexico University-Ruidoso.
Thursday tests will be at 10 a.m. at the Carrizozo Village Hall and Pioneer Savings Bank, Ruidoso, and at 2 p.m. at the Ruidoso Convention Center.
On Friday, testing will be at the Ruidoso Village Hall at 9 a.m.; the Presbyterian Hall at 2:30 p.m. More information is avail. able from Census 2000 at
(505)
$541-6900$ or toll-free at (888) 325-7333.

## Thank You

The Ruidoso News would like to thank all of those residents who attended the Community Update on Friday, March 31. A special thank you for those panelists, our keynote speaker, Rosemary Thompson, Business Liaison from the State Economic Development Division and the businesses that advertised to make this event a success.

## GROWTH TRENDS PANEL

Realtor Bill Pippin
Rosalyn Robinson, Pioneer Savings Bank Truman Barnett of the Title Company, Rod Adamson of Adamson Appraisals, Dave Parks, High Country Insurance Tim Hoyt, Blue Spruce Construction

PANELISTS

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Mayor Robert Donaldson,
Steve Tally, president of the Greater Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce board,
Tom Battin, Ruidoso State Bank, Jim Stretz, New Mexico Mortgage Finance Authority.

Keynote speaker (during lunch) Rosemary Thompson, regional representative of the New Mexico Economic Development office

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Mayor Robert Donaldson
Jerry Hawkes, U.S. Forest Service Dick Wisner, Ruidoso River Association Robert Beauvais,

## EDLCATION BRIEFS

 All-American scholarSamantha Serna of Ruidoso was named an All-American Scholar by the United (USALA).

The USAA established the All-American Scholar Award Program to offer deserved recognition to superior stu-
dents who excel in the ic disciplines can Scholar must earn a 3.3 or higher grade-point average Only scholars selected by a
school instructor, counselor, or schoor instructior, counselor, or
other qualified sponsor are accepted.
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Rocket launches coming Students from Ruidoso Carlsbad, Portales, and Rosheell schoois will launch high-powered made rockets Roswell Municipal Airport Thursday, April 15. Participating schools are
Ruidoso Middle School, Ruidoso High School, Mesa Middle School, Portales Junior High; School, Alta Vista and PR Leyva Middle Schools; from Righ Schools

The academic focus of the student-launch project is launch technology. Students ered model rockets that will carry muiliple-sensor to altitudes of about 2,500 feet. After landing, the rockets and payloads will be recovered so payload information can be

Launch Day was developed by New Mexico Space Grant
Consortium, a NASA-funded statewide program led by New Mexico State Universitysis College of Engineering. It is cosponsored by U.S. Sen. Pete Engineering and Technology Experiences for Students pro gram and will involve students
in the New Mexico Mathemat-

## SCHOOL MENUS

## Capitan

Wednesday, April 5 cereal, juice or fruit
Lunch: Chicken pot pie, hamburger, corn dog
Thursday, April $\mathbf{6}$ sausage, juice or fruit chile meat, nachos, fruit, pizza, burrito
Friday, April 7-Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, cereal, juice or fruit

Lunch: Sub sandwich, cheese, lettuce, tomato, pickdog, burrito
Breakfast: ${ }^{\text {Monday }} \underset{\text { French }}{\text { April }}$ Tbast, sausage, juice or fruit

Lunca: Chicken nuggets, tater tots, fruit, brownies, Tuesday, April $11-$ cereal, juice or friuit

Lunch. Frito pie, pinto beans, salad, cookie, pizza, corn, dog
Nob Hill Earty Chlldhood Center, Sierra Vista Primary White Mountalin Elementary, Intermediate

Weidnesday, April Breakkfast: Cereal
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Lharich, Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoedy stavy roil, salad fruit
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ics, Engineering and Science The kaunch will take place Munneen 8 a.m. and noon at the Municipal Airport in Roswell. For more mformation, can646. 6414 , or visit the Space Grant Web site at htthe://spacegrant.nmesu.edu.

## State Bar sponsors

## chool essay contest

High school juniors and seniors from New Mexico are State Bar of New Mexicos annual esse contest and compete for cash prizes of up to .
This year's contest quesof the Brave," explores the complicated issue of immigration.

Essays expressing personed until April 12 ill be accep ed until April 13. Essays are pages and will be judged by a panel of judges, lawyers and ournalists and evaluated according to content, original The Albuquerque law firm f Modrall, Sperling Roehl, Hasris \& Sisk, PA. will sponsor cash awards of $\$ 700$ for first
place, $\$ 350$ for second place and $\$ 150$ for third place. Contes cants will recoive either a cer inicate of completion, an honor cash award. First-, Becond-, and third-place winners will receiv heir cash awards during an annual Law Day luncheon at he Hyatt Regency Hotel in Now in its 11 th 1
igh school cesay coar, the ponsored by the State Bar's Public Legal Education Comnittee to promote higher eduantion and to encourage as Student or the kaw.
Students may obtain inforentry form through their high school English teachers or by calling the State Bar office at (505) 797-6030.
beans, garlic bread, salad, fruit
Ruidoso Middle School
Wednesday, April 5 Breakfast: Pop Tart, graham rackers, fruit, milk
Lunch: Chicken fajitas, corn, lettuce and pickle, fruit Breakfast: Donuts, fruit, milk Lunch: Beef enchiladas, pinto beans, lettuce and toma o, crackers, fruit

Friday, Aprill 7 - No school Monday, April 10 Breakfast. Cerea, milk, gra Lunch: Chef aalad with ham and cheese, crackers, ranch dressing, fruit
Tuesday, April 11 Breakfast: French toast strips,
frit milk fuit, milk
Lunch:
baked beans, lettuce and tomato, fruit

## Puidoso High School

Vednesditiy, April $5-$ Breakfast fors with, graham Lunch Chef salad with hami and cheese crackers, ratroh dressitug, fifit Breaterast Donn fpril, frit, milktunch: Spagenetti and meat sauce, treen beans, garfruit bread, lettuce and tomato, Felday, Apint 7-BreakLunch Givkey, pot pie, miked vegetables, wheat toils, तut Londay, $A$ pri 10 . Breakfast. Cereal, mill, sraLunche slonty suoe on a bun, corn, lettuce and pictie, Tritresday, April, , 11 , Breakfist Mrench togst striph, Frait, milk:
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 unior, Kelly Paton, frestiman, and Solomon Barnett, junior. Seated, from left Saras Sharma, junior, Alex-
tHoff, senlor, and jacob Omelas, sophomine.

## RHS HONORS

 Sandy Suzgutiontwidaso News Monica Kayes, Distinguished War2000 school year. Keyes is a serior.

## the very best scholars

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Distinguished Warrior Monica sheyes suffers an ailment that ayes received the awpard as uished Warrior" March 28 at the Ruiguished Warilor March 28 at the Rui-
doso High School Academic Awards Banquet for superior academic achievement and outstanding, performance in extracurricular activities, and these may be symptoms of the disease.
"Senioritis" is the ailment, and it comes near the end of the last year in high school when everything piles upcations for scholarships "and everything have to get out," she said.
Koyes ranks third in her.class with a 4.286 grade-point average and attributes her good grades and many accompo following the footsteps of her sisters who were involved in many activities and worked for good grades.
"I always "wanted to be involved in into a good college.

Keyes said her two older sisters, who praduated from college, set a good examportive. But, she said, English teacher and student council sponsor Pixie Arthur has been her main mentor in
school and has supported her in everyschool
Keyes said she's considerinig Pepperdine University or Occidental College, decision after she recovers from senioritis.

Keyes list of honors and extracurricular activities while in high school is long and includes four years of being on point averages of 3.8 or above, WradeWho Amorages of 3.8 or above, Who's dents, Outstanding Student Council Member in 1997, U.S. Achievement Academy National Award, New Mexico State University Honor Scholar, UniverChampion Mexico Star Scholan, District meter relay. She also was active in other sports, drama, and was president of the Executive Boaxd of Stasdent Council.

Alexis Golden Hioff, also a senior, had the highest grade-point average in her class at 4.429.
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Solomion Baniett, Sean SebastInn and Siares Shamina all juniors
tied for first place in grades at the awards banquet, with grade-point averages of 4.313. Barnett attributes his success in school to his strong Christian
upbringing and an inherited desire to
${ }^{\text {"Wy }}$ My family has been supportive," he said. The always taught us to try to be helped we with they encourage us and ahead by teaching things at home.,

Barnett atténded a private' school and he said he feels seco received a better education because there were fewer stu: "...cheating
dents in It's worth the effort to do heditation, well in school, 'her said, edge and you have the knowledge and people respect you
forbeing smart. It makes your life easier in the long rum." Barnett said he plans to . study computer engineering;
his academic strengths are his academic strengths are
social studies and math. Sebastian said. he acquired a strong work ethic baskethaill and baseball.
"Whatever I do, I try to work as harc as I can because I iike to Wh.

Sebastian's family participates in everything he does, including sports, "I get in trouble if I haven't d
"I get in trouble if I haven't done my donework, momework, like if I'm playing on the computer, theyll enforce the rules. Homework before play."
He also has an older brother, now a school and in sports.
'I tried to copy him like little brothers do. I credit him with the work ethic, and I always try to surpass him," he

Sharma, the class clown, attributes his academic success to "cheating, medi tation, herbal products from Yridia - and
hard work, natural ability and luck." In a similar vein his academi rengthis are Engtish, science and grape yogut. decided to be smaiter than my Ider sistery Sharma said
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## When he said.

When he was younger, he said his nother helped him with his homework related examples.' He also had good teachers, he said, and the most inficiential ones when he, was in sixth and eighth grades. His eighth-grade teacher contact with people from MIT,
where he wants to attend college. There was aiso a giftedprogram coordinator/counselor he consulted for deqisions he made.in bigh schgol iin Colorado. good teachers aifld the support of the teachers 'is important to success," teacher doesn't have any interaction with you, you don't get the same out of it., His academic strengths taking a calculus science. He's Mexico .State UniversityAlamogordo Tuesday and Thursday

Kelly Paton, a freshman, received
the highest grade-point average in her class, with 4.2
"I think the biggest ipfluence I've had (toward doing well in school) was I really expected the best of everyone so I just tried my best, learned good study habits," she said. "And my parents also
expect a lot of me - good grades and to

Paton named two teachers who had a hands-on approach to teaching and learning as being influential to her academic success. In seventh and different way of teaching things that made it more fun and

She gave an example of a time when her class studied the Revolutionary War, drew a big map on the floor and reonacted the battles with corles.

Paton sata, her strengtis are science and English. She doasn't Dike math
although she does well in it she said. In all, 15 seniorr received plaques at the awards banquet for hawing grades


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Looking for some stability and easy access for everybody, the society found new shop space in the Pine Tree Square near Schlotzsky's Deli
The thrift shop,' which has thrived since opening last month at the other location, Sudderth Drive near the corner of Sudderth and Mechem Drive

The hours will stay the same-noon to 5 M Wedres day through Saturday:

Volunteera are needed to
man the shop. Donations of lightly used items always are welcomed, said Sandy Ford, so-
ciety shelter administrator.

The humane society conracts with the villages of Ruidoso and Capitan and the county of Lincoln to ensure that impounded animals are given humane treatment.

But the group also needs donations of money and goods such as dog and cat food.

The organization through benefactors and frugal management, maintains a spay and neusure fund to help pet owners produce their animals won't reproduce.

Society members are dedicated to the concept of reducing the number of unwanted pets through birth control insteíid of killing millions of abandoned throughout the United States.

Money generated by the thrift shop goes directly into the spay and neuter subsidy fund.

Pet owners in need of voucher to offset the cost of sterilizing their animals, should contact the shelter at 05) 257-9841.

Knowing that the commu nity is growing, the group also is trying to put aside some money from other sources for builang expansion.
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