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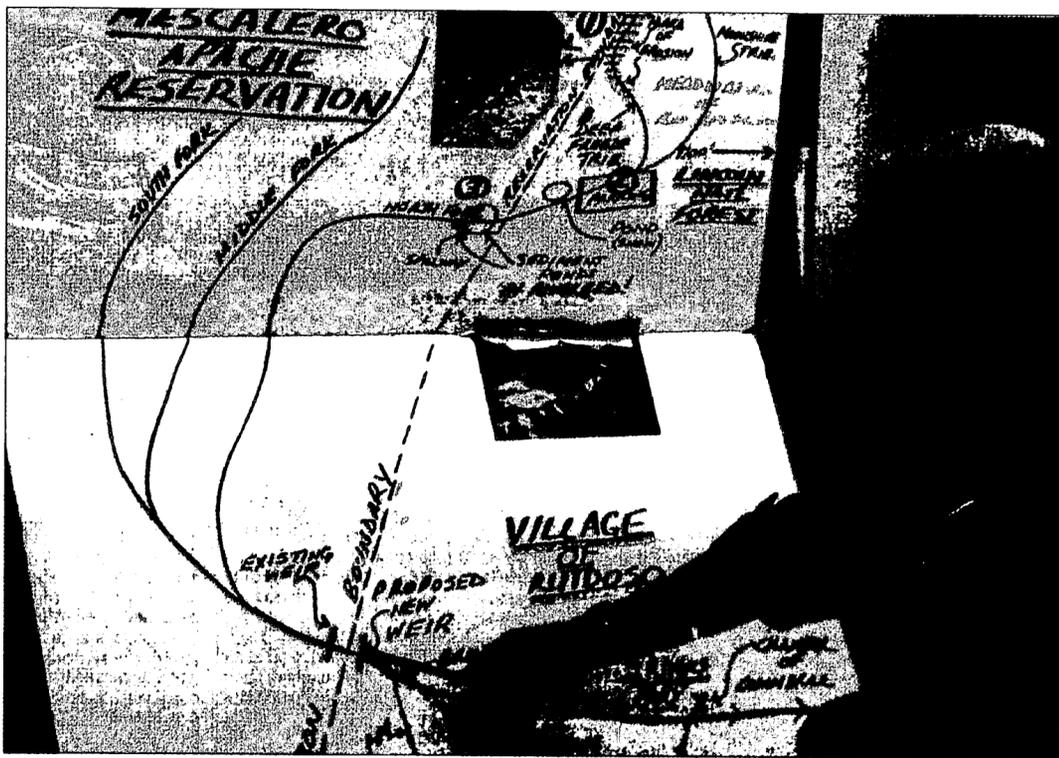
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Low river flows, brought on by a lack of snowpack and little in the way of precipitation for months, concerns Dick Wisner, executive director of the Ruidoso River Association. Wisner outlines where the river's recharge is derived from, and already realized impacts because of the area's dry conditions.

Officials say area facing 'drought'

BY JAMES KALVELAGE
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With a void of precipitation since Christmas Day in the Sacramento Mountains, fire, recreation and water conservation officials are starting to say drought, and are hoping weather patterns change.

But the chance of rain or snow in the near future is very slim, according to extended weather forecasts.

"This is the kind of winter you get with La Nina," said Charlie Liles, the director for the National Weather Service in New Mexico. "A lot of storms are going north."

The first three weeks of the new year have been precipitation free in Ruidoso, according to weather records. A normal January would deposit the equivalent of 1.21 inches of rain.

For October through December, Ruidoso received 47 percent of its normal moisture, according to Liles. That measured 1.78 inches of precipitation.

"Actually Ruidoso did better than most areas of the state," Liles said.

Alamogordo, for example, received only seven percent of its normal rain during the closing months of 1999.

Statewide, October, November and December posted 32 percent of normal precipitation.

The National Water and Climate Center, in its January water supply outlook report, suggests New Mexico will experience an even drier spring season than the last three months of 1999.

Liles, who as a member of the

Governor's Drought Task Force that met this past Tuesday, said state and federal officials are already showing concern over the dry situation.

"The consensus is everything is continuing to dry out and the picture down the road doesn't look good," Liles said.

Ruidoso area forest officials agree, saying their agencies are already at a heightened state of fire awareness, months ahead of time.

"I've instructed my staff to begin talking with the surrounding agencies, the Forest Service, the BLM, in regards to the possibility of requesting severity funding to address the extremely dry conditions that we're facing," said Tony Reck-

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State seeks authority to sell fort

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

State officials want authorization to sell historic Fort Stanton if the right deal come along.

State Rep. Dub Williams, a Republican who represents Lincoln County, was asked to introduce a bill that would permit the sale of the 80-building complex, said Mark Moores, public information officer for the state General Services Department. The property control division, which directly oversees the fort property, falls under the GSD.

County Commission Chairman Rex Wilson, who was re-elected Thursday to head the board, told other commissioners he met with Williams earlier in the week in Santa Fe.

The state representative wants input from the public before he introduces the bill, Wilson said.

"But if he doesn't carry the bill, someone else will," Wilson said.

No one has submitted a purchase offer, Moores said. But the move would open up more options for the state.

If, as one local group has proposed, a private trust was formed to create a living museum and convention center at the fort, it could submit an offer, said Commissioner Leo Martinez, who met with Gov. Gary Johnson about the fort Wednesday.

But the bottom line would be dollars.

The price offered would have to at least meet the appraised value of the land and buildings, which would have to be updated from 1995. An appraisal was put together that year after Johnson closed the fort as a state hospital for the developmentally disabled.

Martinez said Johnson would welcome a firm proposal that would alleviate the state's obligation to maintain the fort, established in 1855 about 12 miles northeast of Ruidoso.

"He said it costs \$300,000 just to

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Carrizozo, Capitan get funding through CDBG

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
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The town of Carrizozo scored big this year, receiving \$585,000 in Community Development Block grants from the state.

According to a summary from the Southeastern New Mexico Economic Development District, the county seat will be awarded \$325,000 for street and drainage improvements and \$260,000 for sewer system improvements under the Colonias (border communities) grant classification.

The village of Capitan, which is a winner

every year, received \$25,000 for more planning work.

Lincoln County wasn't as lucky, scoring 95th in the state, out of the running for any of the \$15 million being allocated.

The county wanted to install a sprinkler system in a center for the developmentally disabled in Carrizozo and was asking for about \$65,000, said County Manager Tom Stewart.

Economic district director Tony Elias suggested the county ask the state Legislature for the money, he said. The Legislature convened this week in Santa Fe for a 30-day session.

Next year, the county could submit a grant proposal to build an addition to the substation in Ruidoso, Stewart said. Now that commissioners decided to allow the sheriff's department to retain all but one of the offices allocated to it in the building, the county could show that more space is urgently needed by the state health department, which is housed on the other side of the building, he said.

The board that hands out grant money may be more sympathetic to provide space for a state agency serving women and children than it would for a sheriff, he said.

Lincoln County commissioners cave into sheriff's demands

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
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Sheriff Tom Sullivan scored three for three Thursday in battles at the Lincoln County Commission meeting.

He won approval for a new deputy, he kept all but one of the offices allocated to his deputies at the county substation in Ruidoso and three of his deputies didn't have to forfeit unused vacation time in excess of the county-allowed maximum.

But at times, the sheriff was irritated, telling Commissioner Leo Martinez, who was pushing for more space at the substation for the state Health Department, "Lets get it on."

Martinez pointed out that the county is not only obligated to provide space for the sheriff, it also must provide space for the health department.

Albert Esparsen, director of a state public health district covering nine counties including Lincoln, said the offices the health department oc-

cupies at the substation on Kansas City Street are nice, but "we're in dire need of additional space."

About 850 square feet used by the sheriff is not occupied on a full-time basis, he said. If the health department could move into half of that space, Family First and Children's Medical Services could be included.

Families First now is housed in an auto repair garage "and that situation is no longer acceptable and the county will lose the program if it can't find somewhere else," Esparsen said.

"I think Lincoln County has been good to us, and we have been good to the county," he said, adding that more than 1,500 patients are seen a month.

The Women, Children and Infants program brings \$350,000 into the county through grocery purchases and gross receipt taxes, Esparsen said.

Public health nurse Theresa Luna said the department has asked for more space for five years with little

result. Initially County Manager Tom Stewart suggested splitting the space being used by the sheriff, leaving him two offices and part of a hallway.

But Sullivan said he was willing only to relinquish one of his four offices and none of the hallway. He made that offer before he was asked, Sullivan said, noting he was left out of some of the early discussions on the issue.

He told Martinez he resented any implication that he orchestrated heavier use of the building by deputies recently to back up his position.

"I'm not saying the sheriff shouldn't be out there," Martinez said. "I'm just saying if the offices are not being used to the maximum, split them up half and half. If in the future, he can better serve the public by being there, then expand the building."

Local Libertarian Party official Tony Seno read a letter from Ruidoso Police Chief Lanny Maddox in which

he stated although he couldn't accommodate Sullivan's deputies full time, they could use the police department to fill out reports, make calls and conduct interviews when away from the base in Carrizozo.

"I tell you I'm not going to do it," Sullivan said.

"That shows how obstinate you are," Seno shot back.

But a former political opponent of Sullivan backed the sheriff's stance.

Ralph Romero said the health department only operates from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., but law enforcement doesn't work just those hours.

"Crime is not on a schedule," he said. "(Deputies) may not be there for eight hours and then may be there the next 100 hours straight."

"No one denies the needs of the health department," Commission Chairman Rex Wilson said. "It's growing and maybe we're late in looking at it, but the sheriff's department also is growing."

Commissioner William Schwettmann offered a motion to accept the manager's latest recommendation to give one more office to the health department. It passed 3-1, with Martinez voting against it. Commissioner L. Ray Nunley was in Texas due to the illness of his mother.

Earlier in the meeting, commissioners followed Stewart's recommendation and approved a one-year extension to the county's policy that vacation time in excess of 160 hours must be forfeited if it wasn't taken before the end of the year.

Three deputies collectively accumulated 904.5 hours of unused time off.

"Due to personnel shortages, the sheriff's department currently closely regulates deputies taking vacation time," Stewart wrote in a memorandum to commissioners. During a review of mid-year budget adjustments,

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RUIDOSO'S THREE-DAY WEATHER OUTLOOK

SATURDAY High ... 56 Low ... 32



Mostly sunny

SUNDAY High ... 47 Low ... 23



Partly cloudy

MONDAY High ... 45 Low ... 21



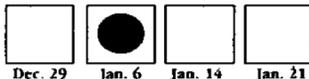
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Ruidoso Readings	High	Low	Precip.
Tuesday	66	33	.00"
Wednesday	65	34	.00"
Thursday	54	32	.00"

Regional-Friday	High	Low	Forecast
Albuquerque	59	30	Mostly sunny
El Paso, TX	74	32	Partly cloudy
Lubbock, TX	74	23	Mostly cloudy
Midland, TX	45	21	Mostly cloudy

Dec. Jan. phases of the moon



STARDATE

Sirius, the brightest star in the night sky, is most often associated with summer. It rises with the Sun then, ushering in summer's "dog days." But the best time to watch Sirius is during winter. Tonight, Sirius rises around 6 p.m. and remains visible throughout the night.

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

White Oaks Eagle Jan. 18, 1900

White Oaks can again boast of its temperate qualities - only one saloon now running, the "Palace" is a thing of the past ... only a dream.

D. Perea, sheriff of this county, visited Santa Fe the past week.

The W.O.B. & L. Co. has

moved the Capitan saw mill into another timber hill of the Capitan Mountains and will soon be sawing lumber.

Rev. E.F. Goodson, presiding elder of this district, left for El Paso Tuesday. He had been conducting a revival at the Methodist church the past two weeks.

I.M.M. McReynolds was here from Gray, Tuesdays. Mr. McReynolds is in charge of the livery business for S.T. Gray at the Salado and had drummers with him.

FORT: State officials say no offer for the historic facility has been made yet

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keep it in mothballs," Martinez said.

After the commission meeting, Weber, head of Fort Stanton Inc., the group advocating the living museum, met with County Attorney Alan Morel.

Weber plans to call a meeting of the organization Wednesday to decide the next course of action, Martinez said.

The state Corrections Department, which used the fort

for nearly three years for a women's minimum security prison, is talking to two companies about establishing a drug and alcohol rehabilitation center at the fort for male prisoners being released into the general population.

Last year, Corrections Secretary Rob Perry closed it as a women's prison, citing the same problem with high overhead.

Martinez said the rehabilitation center could be accommodated at the fort along with other activities.

But more than are historic buildings and land at stake, the commissioner said during the meeting.

The fort property carries with it 165 acre feet of water rights. One acre foot equates to 325,851 gallons of water.

"If we don't get involved now, we could discover after the fact that the state has sold those rights," Martinez said.

The bill the GSD wants passed would give the state a chance to see if a company, trust or other entity, including the federal government, is in-

terested in acquiring the fort, Moores said.

That option, as well as lease agreements were explored without success in 1995-96.

"We have no specific buyer in mind. We just want to have all the options available," Moores said. "We are obligated to leverage state assets to house state departments. It's a great property, but it doesn't really fit into the needs of state government" as far as efficiency and economy is concerned.

"We're not historians and we don't run museums."

DROUGHT: Forest rangers are already on alert because of the dry conditions

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er, the forestry manager with the Bureau of Indian Affairs on the Mescalero Apache Reservation. He said that would mean a helicopter would be eying the forest, and additional patrol personnel would be hired, perhaps as soon as a couple of weeks. Normally such diligence begins at the end of March.

"I keep being reminded that four years ago we had a fire in February that burned up a couple thousand acres," Recker said.

Drawing comparisons to four years ago, Recker said forest fuels are becoming so dried out it would take a "whole lot of precipitation" to ease the approaching fire worries.

Two wildfires earlier this month sent fire crews scrambling to halt the flames. On Jan. 3, 450 acres of grasslands southeast of Carrizozo raced across the landscape.

Carrizozo fire chief Leroy Zamora said he couldn't recall such a large wildfire in the winter. That fire was attributed to the disposal of hot ashes.

A week later, 175 acres were scorched just outside Ruidoso, in a blaze described as a sus-

picious by officials at the Mescalero Apache Reservation.

"We're not crying wolf right now, but if we don't get any spring rains we'll be in trouble," said Matt Reidy, fire management officer for the Lincoln National Forest's Smokey Bear District.

"Right now we're close to 1996," Reidy said. "That was kind of a base line for severe drought conditions."

He said forest rangers are starting to take some fuel moisture readings to better understand just how dry conditions are.

During the summer of 1996 the U.S. Forest Service closed the national forest around Ruidoso for one and a half months because of high fire dangers.

The Rio Ruidoso already is feeling the impact of a dry fall and winter.

"It's shaping up like another 1996," said Dick Wisner, executive director of the Ruidoso River Association, Inc.

River flows are currently one and a half to two c.f.s. (cubic feet per second). A healthy river, said Wisner, would be at least six c.f.s. right now.

"It's now at the point, the

river's low flow, that it's seriously affecting the fishery, as well as the river itself."

Wisner said a snowpack at the higher elevations is needed, coupled with ample rains during the summer, to sustain the Rio Ruidoso's health.

The mountain peaks currently have little, if any snow.

"The flow right now is a clear and present danger," Wisner said. State game and fish authorities won't stock the river until flows come up to at least four c.f.s., he added.

"It's a bit of a blessing in disguise," Wisner said, adding "it shows we do have a water problem. It shows the river is not dependable as a water source."

He said the concern is different than a decade or two ago, with Ruidoso tripling its permanent population base.

Ruidoso's mayor is confident the village's water supply will be adequate should precipitation be elusive.

"We're in good shape to meet commitments for water in the village," Robert Donaldson said Thursday afternoon.

Donaldson said water for drinking and fire suppression are the village's top priority.

"In the last six years, Ruidoso has spent \$6.9 million on improvements to the water system. We still have a long way to go, but our system is much more robust than the early nineties," the mayor said.

The village's Hollywood Well, capable of delivering 1,000 gallons of water per minute, is expected to be back on line in February. And, Donaldson said, despite the low level of Grindstone Lake, there is enough water in the reservoir to meet the village's needs for almost one year.

"It doesn't mean we can be wasteful with water," Donaldson said. "But we see no threat at all to drinking water supplies."

The mayor continues to urge conservation, especially when it comes to the water systems "low priority" - outdoor watering.

Donaldson said he will announce to the village council at its Tuesday night meeting that the community will move into "phase three" of its four leveled water conservation code.

That would restrict outdoor watering to Tuesdays and prohibit watering between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.

SHERIFF: The commission has approved an additional deputy for the force

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Stewart recommended Thursday the commission not use any of its reserve in excess of state requirements to fund requests still standing from last summer.

The requests include a ramp for the handicap at the

senior center in Carrizozo, money for the Capitan and Ruidoso public libraries and an additional deputy for the sheriff's department.

"We started the year with \$121,000 in discretionary money and now we're down to \$71,000. We can't afford any of these," Stewart said.

But on a motion by Com-

missioner Rick Simpson, seconded by Schwettmann, the board approved a fifteenth deputy for the sheriff at \$14,234 for the remaining five months of the year.

Sullivan said he's trying to get the department back up to 16 deputies where it was in 1985, when he previously served.

The motion passed 3-1 with Martinez voting against it.

"The county manager recommended we hold the line," Martinez said. "I don't think he's anti-sheriff or anti-law enforcement, but he recommends we wait."

But Virden said if a deputy isn't added now "we'll never catch up."

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County commission continues to nix Ruidoso as a meeting place

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
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A motion to conduct the next Lincoln County Commission meeting in Ruidoso died in a 2-2 split Thursday.

Commissioner Rick Simpson said he was asked by absent Commissioner L. Ray Nunley to propose scheduling next month's meeting in Ruidoso for a second hearing on self assessments for county subdivision road improvements.

But Commissioner William Schwettmann said he's re-

ceived several complaints from people who were in the audience at county meetings in the Ruidoso Convention Center and said they couldn't hear.

County Clerk Martha Proctor said. He also pointed out that county subdivision roads aren't in the village.

Proctor said she has problems with taping at the center. The situation is better at Ruidoso Village Hall, but still not as good as in the commission room in the courthouse in Carrizozo, she said.

Another problem is trying to bring all needed backup ma-

terial for issues and making copies of corrected minutes after drafts are approved by commissioners, she said.

"But I told them I'm versatile and will be happy to do the minutes wherever they say," she said.

Commissioner Leo Martinez voted with Simpson on the motion to conduct the February meeting in Ruidoso. Chairman Rex Wilson and Schwettmann voted against the motion.

Contacted late Thursday, Ruidoso Mayor Robert Donaldson agreed that the Ruidoso

Convention Center is not set up for taping government meetings and may present some problems.

"It's not set up for recording, but there's absolutely nothing wrong at village hall," he said. "We hold more meetings than they'll ever hold. It's on TV, and they have recording equipment there. And we're getting ready - probably within the next month - to redo all of our recording and speaker equipment because we want it so people don't even have to come to the podium and can be picked up while

speaking from the audience." Some people in Carrizozo are resistance to the idea of meetings in Ruidoso, he said.

"I will always cooperate to have any kind of county meeting over here, because I believe it's important that a lot of these meetings be close to the people," Donaldson said. "Within 10 miles of city hall, you probably have 80 to 90 percent of the population of Lincoln County. So I think it's more important for the government to come to the people than the people to have to go to the government."

When commissioners set the calendar for the year 2000 last November, they nixed efforts by Martinez to commit to conducting a designated number of meetings in Ruidoso.

At that time, Nunley, who represents Ruidoso but didn't support Martinez, said he was confident the board would honor requests to set meetings in Ruidoso when issues are on the agenda dealing with that area of the county.

Martinez voted alone against the motion by Schwettmann to set all of the meetings in Carrizozo.

Texas woman shot in an apparent suicide attempt

A shooting at a Texas Street residence in Ruidoso Thursday morning has left a 21-year-old San Antonio, Texas woman hospitalized and a 24-year-old Ruidoso man in police custody.

The woman, Regina A. Martinez, received a gunshot wound to the abdomen.

Martinez underwent surgery Thursday at Gerald Champion Memorial Hospital in Alamogordo.

Ruidoso police were called to 112 Texas St. at 5:27 a.m. on a call of a shooting victim and an attempted suicide.

According to a police report, Justin P. Lindley, 24, allegedly placed a .380 semi-automatic pistol to his head. During a struggle by another female to try to wrestle the weapon from Lindley, the gun accidentally discharged, striking Martinez.

Following the shooting Lindley reportedly went into the kitchen of the residence and slashed his wrist with a butcher knife.

Both victims were taken to the Lincoln County Medical Center.

Martinez was later transported to Gerald Champion Memorial Hospital in Alamogordo, where she was listed in stable condition Thursday evening, following extensive surgery.

Lindley, who was discharged from the Lincoln County Medical Center following surgery, was placed in protective custody by Ruidoso Police.

"He will remain in custody until other treatment resources are arranged," said Ruidoso Police Chief Lanny G. Maddox.

FUNERALS, DEATHS

Jackie Lenora Holder

Funeral services for Jackie Lenora Holder, 80, of Ruidoso, will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Jan. 21 at the LaGrone Funeral Chapel, with the Rev. Dave Bergs officiating. Burial will be at Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery in San Antonio, Texas.

Mrs. Holder died Tuesday, Jan. 18, 2000 at her home.

She was born Dec. 3, 1919 in Ranger, Texas. She had lived in Ruidoso for 12 years, moving here from Houston, Texas. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband, James R. Holder of Ruidoso; a sister, Lu Koch of San Antonio, Texas; and a stepdaughter, Gwen Testa of Stratford, Conn.

The family requests memorials to Alpha Home,

300 E. Mulberry, San Antonio, Texas 78212.

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

Vera Berlin Quinn

Funeral Services for Vera Berlin Quinn, 83, of Ruidoso, will be at 3 p.m. Friday, Jan. 21 in the First Christian

Church, with the Rev. Jim Smith officiating. Burial will follow at Forest Lawn Cemetery.

Mrs. Quinn died Monday, Jan. 17, 2000 in Ruidoso.

She was born July 14, 1916 in Navasota, Texas.

She was a member of the Altrusa, P.E.O. and the First Christian Church.

She moved to Ruidoso in

1968 from Navasota, and was a homemaker, housewife and special mom.

Survivors include her daughter, Jennifer Jane Quinn of Ruidoso; a brother, Morris Dickson Otto of Satellite Beach, Fla.; and several nieces and nephews.

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

Ruidoso council looks at water, other items

The Village of Ruidoso council will consider a full plate of agenda items and presentations Tuesday.

Councilors will get a review of the village's second quarter budget from village manager Alan Briley.

Mayor Robert Donaldson will deliver a report on the village's water system. He is also expected to announce that Ruidoso will move into "phase three" of its water conservation program. (See story on page 1.)

A public information hearing is also set dealing with the village's water master plan.

The plan looks at Ruidoso's water supply and delivery system, including proposed spending of \$16 million dollars for

improvements over the next 20 years.

During the regular consent agenda segment of the meeting, the council will consider the appointment and compensation for precinct workers for the regular municipal election that will take place on Mar. 7.

Adoption of a resolution to apply for a grant to New Mexico Litter Control, and a beautification act for Keep Ruidoso Beautiful, will be before councilors.

Other items include amendments to the 1999 - 2000 fiscal year budget for the village. Approval of the Lodgers Tax Committee's recommendation of special event funding for advertising of Pine-

stock, renewal of an annual agreement with White Mountain Search and Rescue, and a bid acceptance for \$49,075 worth of renovations of the mezzanine at the Sierra Blanca Regional Airport are also on tap.

The village council will consider a proposal for a plan to encourage private enterprise to develop employee affordable housing. They could take action on the plan.

A discussion of solid waste issues is scheduled to take place.

The council will also act on a resolution dealing with the Municipal Police Public Employees Retirement Association.

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OUR OPINION

Indigent health care and who controls it

Congratulations are due the Lincoln County Commission for at last tackling the issue of health care for indigent people.

A public hearing Thursday was the first round in establishing procedures for helping those in the county who need, but can't afford, critical health care. Commissioners last year established a .125 percent (or one-eighth of a cent on every dollar) gross receipts tax to fund the program.

Without second-guessing the commission and its final decision, on the program (this was written before the Thursday meeting), the draft document circulated to commissioners seems particularly designed to separate the wheat from the chaff in determining who gets their health bills paid by the county.

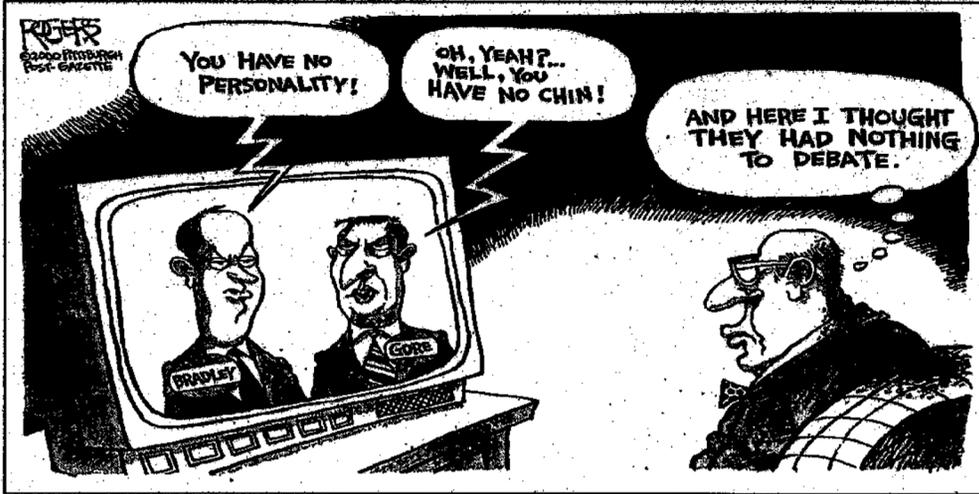
Unless it is changed before it becomes law, however, one provision of the proposed Lincoln County Indigent Hospital/Health Care Ordinance (IHC for short) seems of doubtful intent. The draft ordinance establishes the Lincoln County Commission as the IHC Board, with total authority to approve or deny health care claims. The hired county manager would be the sole interpreter of the 16 pages of regulations; the draft document includes a stated tilt toward the most restrictive interpretation in case of conflict with other provisions or laws.

The commission hemmed and hawed over even establishing an indigent fund, and now would become the sole deciders of who gets help.

(The draft ordinance also might be seen by some people to inject the commission into operation of the Lincoln County Medical Center (LCMC); the county — read that taxpayer — owns the building and has paid for its recent expansion, but hasn't in the past taken such a direct role. The fact is, LCMC has been asking for years for an indigent fund to relieve some of the drain on its own resources—and, of course, the 4.25 mill property tax levy originated for bricks and mortar but later expanded to cover some operating expenses. At the minimum it's a question the voters might decide in November.)

Perusing those pages of proposed indigent care regulations is a bit like trying to fathom a health care insurance policy, or the provisions of health maintenance organizations—the often-decried HMOs.

Hopefully, when the commissioners finally adopt an ordinance so critical to the medically needy in the county they will conclude that somebody else — not themselves — should be making the nitty-gritty decisions about who is rescued from bankruptcy and who isn't.



Music to admire

To the editor:
Thanks go to Mr. Robbie Stevens, members of the Ruidoso High School 24 Karat Band, Joe Burgstaller, and the Ruidoso Community Concert Association for their enjoyable concert last Friday evening.

This concert demonstrated the effective results of the cooperative effort of several organizations. It also demonstrated the absolute need for the continuation of classical musical instruction in public schools, as well as the appreciation of the community in these endeavors.

Robert K. Rowe
Alto

A diminished Army

To the editor:
As a retired U. S. Army paratrooper, I must ask, "why did our people, including we combat veterans, silently allow Congress and Presidents Bush and Clinton to slash our military to its current critical level?" As in past wars, this will, probably, result in needless casualties for our nation's youth in future conflicts. Who cares?

We are relying too much on technology and not enough on manpower.

Each year we spend billions of dollars on foreign aid and protecting foreigners from themselves, while some of our own troops are on food stamps and 35 percent of our homeless are veterans. Additionally, our military units are having problems maintaining their combat readiness. Finally, our armed forces are hav-

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ing difficulty recruiting and retaining personnel.

Many of our service members are tired of being the world's policemen. Each day there are over two dozen wars occurring around the world. In 1995, the President promised that our troops would be withdrawn from Bosnia by Christmas of 1996. Another broken promise to our military personnel.

"An army cannot win a war unless it has the support of its people!" Please support our troops by voicing your concerns to your Congressmen and the President.

Franklin L. Boren
Tinnie

Save Fort Stanton

To the editor:
In your Dec. 29th issue "Our Opinion — Fort Stanton Patiently Awaits" — a great article. I hope it helps to get some action.

I'm a Lincoln County native, and all my life I've been interested in Fort Stanton. I know your commissioners and other folks in the whole area, Capitan especially, as a lot of jobs were lost when Gary Johnson closed the fort.

I wish Gary would do a little research on Fort Stanton. Does he know where it is located? I wish he would sorta put "drugs" on the back burner and look into the future of a place ... its location, buildings, climate and the big Merchant Marine Cemetery nearby with the many crosses.

Some of our Otero County pioneer boys, the Griffins, went to Fort Stanton a few years ago and built a beautiful entrance gate to the Ma-

rines Cemetery.

This great landmark should be put to some use, of which there are many. My wish for 2000 is "Restore Fort Stanton, soon."

Louise Coe Runnels, alias
"Bonita Lou"
Alamogordo

Food for the hungry

To the editor:

The Christian Services food bank provided emergency food boxes to over 2,100 needy persons last year. Christian Services could do this because of the support provided by the members of the Gateway Church of Christ, the First Baptist Church on Mechem, the Community United Methodist Church, the Grace Harvest Church, the Furr's on Highway 70, and several very generous local businesses and individuals.

We take the responsibility of helping the hungry people of this area very seriously.

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We will gladly accept donations of all types of canned goods, packaged dry goods, and any surplus Y2K food or supplies.

Arthur Hoopes
Christian Services
of Lincoln County.

Oh, the joy of gridlock

Posturing was neck-and-neck with sublime contempt as our elected lawmakers gathered in Santa Fe on Monday to begin 30 days of work on state financing, and whatever else Gov. Gary Johnson wants to bring up.

The governor wants a personal income tax cut of \$65 million over three years. The Democratic leadership would prefer to fiddle with tax credits or exempt capital gains taxes on technology companies, presumably with the same goal: stimulate economic development.

The governor would like to give teachers a 3 percent pay raise; the Demo-controlled legislative side wants somewhere between 5 and 6.24 percent, to improve education. (Gary still prefers vouchers.)

The Senate on Monday delayed the governor's speech while it wrangled over, then passed by two-thirds majority, some bills Johnson had vetoed a year ago. (Vetoed bills are fair game in every short session, according to the state constitution.)

Some Republican leaders, including Billy McKibben, the Senate minority leader, came on strong with a non-binding memorial opposing Johnson's drug-decriminalization plans. McKibben also joined in that over-ride movement. Whether it gets anywhere will depend on the House, which doesn't always bow to the Senate.

See what we mean? The animosity between the governor and the legislative leadership (now including some key Republicans) is tantamount to a guarantee that the 2000 session will set new lows in cooperation between the executive and legislative branches.

We'll get some sort of budget, even if it takes a special session later on. But, mostly, we'll see political posturing ad nauseam.

Practically nobody in either house of the Legislature likes the governor or most of his programs. Nobody likes him but the people who elected him. Sometimes gridlock is the best form of government.

MOUNTAIN ASIDES



BY KEITH GREEN
Ruidoso News

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GUEST COMMENTARY

Steady hand needed on the reservation

BY JOSEPH GERONIMO
MESCALERO TRIBAL MEMBER

In response to some letters written... Yes, the tribe has made its economic impact in both Lincoln and Otero counties and for that matter the entire southern half of the state and in the city of El Paso, Texas. It is one thing to gloat about this and spend the tribe's monies as if the purse had no bottom and place wolves in positions of power to watch the sheep. It is another matter to continue to expand the economic opportunities for the tribal members and use their expertise to continue to improve conditions for them with a powerful leader, which we are in dire need of at this time.

The cartoon at the bottom of Sara Miquez' letter saying that "The End is Near" is foretelling the future of the tribe; the tribal enterprises are facing economic crisis. Ski Apache has had no snow and this means that it is paying out more money than it is bringing in. This could have been taken care of using the tribal tradition given to us by the great Spirit, Casino Apache is facing a battle with outsiders

for non-compliance with gaming regulations, and the racist legislature in Santa Fe, while it is experiencing internal strife.

A child care center is sitting empty on the hill facing litigation for spending monies appropriated for other programs and letting out contracts for programs (for) which no monies were allocated.

The Mescalero Cattle Growers (of which I am president and CEO) cattle herd, which numbered over 10,000 head at one time, is now probably less than 2,000 head and continues to dwindle. The buildings at the once-bustling Cowcamp No. 1 cattle operation headquarters are falling apart and strangers are now herding sheep and their prime beef cattle on our range!

Our Mescalero Apache Schools consist of a few tin shacks and portable wooden buildings that are fire traps and our children are taught racism by not observing (the) Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. holiday. (I did not let my son attend school that day to teach him to respect a great man who fought for equal rights.)

The list goes on and on, and

our enterpriss and other programs will fall like dominoes without a strong, courageous spiritual leader who will not get nervous in front of a crowd of its own people, and whose sole purpose would be for the betterment of the tribe and willing to face any friend or foe to protect the tribe and its interests.

The tribal electorate supposedly made its choice and must now live with that choice and watch its entire crumble before

its very eyes, or rise up and remedy the mistake. It is one thing for a nurse to stand by and assist a brain surgeon perform magic for years, and it is an entirely different matter for that nurse-assistant to try brain surgery in the absence of the surgeon.

The writer is president of the Mescalero Apache Cattle Growers Association and serves on the tribe's executive livestock board.

LETTERS POLICY

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

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

Letters should be 300 words or less in length, be of public interest and must avoid name-calling and libelous language. The Ruidoso News reserves the right to edit letters, so long as viewpoints are not altered. Shorter letters are preferred and generally receive greater readership.

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.

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Property destined for apartment complex

BY JAMES KALVELAGE
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Property in Ruidoso, that at one time was the homestead of author Eve Ball, is planned to see an apartment complex erected.

The Village of Ruidoso Planning and Zoning Commission has approved a sketch plan of the proposed development.

The 2 1/2 acre property, at Nob Hill Drive and Mescalero Trail, would see two duplexes and four four-unit dwellings built, for a total of 20 apartment units.

"We have a dream of designing and building a reasonable and attractive apartment complex. We're committed to excel-

lence," Deborah Byars told the commission.

She and her husband Bart, who own Sierra Cinema, were seeking a preliminary review from the commission, before exercising a right to purchase the land and begin the more formal planning approval process.

Planning and Zoning Commission chair Glen Barrow questioned if a multi-family development would fit in the C-2 (commercial) zoned district.

Village attorney Chay Renick said the village's code does allow multi-family use in a commercial zoned area.

Mac Smith, a nearby resident, told the commission he wasn't excited about the added traffic 20 apartment units

would bring to his neighborhood.

After hearing the presentation delivered by the Byars' "they've put some of my concerns to rest," Smith said.

Landscaping, and parking space placement to retain trees at the site, were promised by the Byars.

Bart Byars pointed out "there is a real need for apartments in this town."

Barrow suggested the development include an historical marker, honoring Eve Ball.

The Byars said a commemorative bench, along a possible walking trail at the proposed development, could accomplish that.

Mescalero fire indicates arson

Evidence collected by a special fire investigator points to arson in the Jan. 10 blaze on the Mescalero Apache Reservation.

"It appears that we have someone who did something deliberate," said Tony Recker, Bureau of Indian Affairs forest manager on the reservation.

An outside investigator was brought in, after rumors a prescribed burn went uncontrolled.

The blaze, which quickly swept through 175 acres,

was just miles from Ruidoso's village limits, and came within a mile of the tribe's Inn of the Mountain Gods resort and casino complex.

Recker said it was the evidence gathered in the investigation that indicated the fire was intentionally set.

He declined to say what evidence pointed to arson.

"We are aware that the suspect acted on the reservation and it will continue to be investigated," Recker

said. The arson case has forestry officials and law enforcement on the reservation on "heightened awareness," said Recker.

Several out buildings were damaged in the fire. While fire crews had halted the spread of the blaze within hours, mopping up and taking care of hot spots carried over into a second day.

A forestry arson expert is continuing to work the case, according to authorities.

MAGISTRATE COURT

The following cases were taken from the files of Magistrate Court in Carrizozo, Judge Gerald Dean Jr. presiding. They are identified by the date filed, the defendant, the charges and the case number.

Dec. 10 - Michael Lopes, no age listed, Ruidoso; issuing worthless check; M30-FR99-108.

Dec. 10 - Robert G. McGee, no age listed, Levelland, Texas; issuing worthless check; M30-FR99-109.

Dec. 10 - Diane H. Loewy-Olivas, no age listed, El Paso; issuing worthless check; M30-FR99-110.

Dec. 10 - Bennett Rodkin, 64, Las Cruces; issuing worthless check; M30-FR99-111.

Dec. 10 - Angela Lackey, 33, Ruidoso; issuing worthless check; M30-FR99-112.

Dec. 16 - Fernando Salinas, 29, Ruidoso; possession of controlled substance with intent to distribute, marijuana, second or subsequent offense, third-degree felony, contributing to the delinquency of a minor, fourth-degree felony, resisting, evading or obstructing a police officer, no driver's license, no registration exhibited on demand, concealing identity - bind

over to district court; M30-FR99-107.

Dec. 20 - Simone C. Keith, no age listed, Ruidoso; issuing worthless check; M30-MR99-188.

Dec. 20 - Melinda Furness, 32, Nogal; contributing to the delinquency of a minor, fourth-degree felony; M30-FR99-113.

Dec. 20 - Marilyn Hartwell, no age listed, Clovis; issuing worthless check; M30-FR99-114.

Dec. 20 - Cody B. Brock, no age listed, Whitesboro, Texas; issuing worthless check; M30-FR99-115.

Dec. 20 - Eileen Bigmouth, no age listed, Mescalero; issuing worthless check; M30-FR99-116.

Dec. 21 - Philip Pekarcik, 33, Carrizozo; negligent use of deadly weapon, carrying while under the influence of intoxicant; M30-MR99-187.

Dec. 22 - Eric Chavez, 19, Carrizozo; receiving stolen property, fourth-degree felony; M30-FR99-117.

Dec. 23 - Name withheld, 20, Carrizozo; criminal sexual penetration of a child under 16; M30-FR99-118.

Dec. 27 - Richard Murphy, 39, Ruidoso; no registra-

tion, licenses suspended or revoked, improper stopping and parking, creating road hazard; M30-DR99-32.

Dec. 28 - David Hunter, 21, Alamogordo; altered driver's license by changing date of birth, concealing identity; M30-MR99-189.

Dec. 28 - James Benson, 38, Carrizozo; battery; M30-MR99-190.

Jan. 1 - Damon Wade West, 33, Datil; contributing to the delinquency of a minor, fourth-degree felony; M30-FR99-2000-01.

Jan. 1 - Jonathan David Nowell, 50, Ruidoso; notice of appeal of reckless driving, aggravated DWI, third offense; M30-DR99-31.

Jan. 4 - Sherri L. Partain, 22, Ruidoso Downs; issuing worthless check; M30-FR2002-02.

Jan. 4 - Sylvia Zamora, no age listed, Carrizozo; issuing worthless check; M30-MR2000-01.

Jan. 4 - Pamela W. Gass, 48, Picacho; three counts issuing worthless check; M30-FR2000-03.

Jan. 5 - John Christopher Fuentes, 38, Roswell; aggravated battery; M30-FR2000-04.

NEWS BRIEFS

County Republicans schedule meeting

The Lincoln County Republican Party announces the Lincoln County Mass Meeting and the county Central Committee meeting to be held on Saturday, Feb. 12, at 10 a.m. at the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo.

The objective of the meeting will be to elect delegates to the New Mexico State Pre-Primary Nominating Convention. All Lincoln County registered Republican voters are welcomed to attend.

For more information regarding the meeting, call Doris Nelms at 258-4780.



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Economic committee looks at midtown parking

BY JAMES KALVELAGE
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The diminishing amount of parking, especially along Sudderth Drive in midtown, has some business owners asking the village to address the need.

A number of thoughts were delivered during a Thursday afternoon meeting of the village's Economic Development Ad Hoc Committee.

Reviews of other mountain resort communities in the West told of private businesses charging for parking to parking lots built by the municipality.

Some of the municipally-owned facilities featured trams that would deliver

shoppers to the retail district.

Bill Chance, chair of the economic development panel, said business owners cannot continue to take away their off street parking stalls and think shoppers will continue to come.

On-site business parking requirements were relaxed by the village in a part of the business district to allow for midtown business renovations.

"Maybe we need to look at more parking requirements on developments," said Alan Briley, village manager.

Speaking from the audience, village councilor Ron Anderson said it's known the midtown area needs parking.

"What authority does the village have to purchase park-

ing areas? We have a problem and it's going to cost us to go after it. We need to identify it and go after it."

Briley said state law allows municipalities to increase its gross receipts tax to fund parking lot projects, but he added Ruidoso already has the highest sales tax rate in the state.

He also noted parking facilities can be built by municipalities and paid for through assessments on property owners in a business district. The property owners must reach some consensus on such a plan.

Some on the committee said the village had established three parking lots, each about a block off of Sudderth Drive. Those lots normally see scant

use, because, as the committee agreed, people don't want to walk to the shopping district.

Better signs, to direct tourists to the parking lots, was a recommendation of the committee.

Steve Tally, president of the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce told the committee that parking continues to be a concern raised by the chamber.

The parking debate was part of a meeting agenda that included word that the Main Street USA project phase two, which will redo sidewalks and their appearance on the west end of midtown, will eliminate an estimated 40 percent of the present on street parking along phase two.

Domenici introduces study that looks at violence and links to drugs and alcohol

WASHINGTON — Senator Pete Domenici reported today that the University of New Mexico Health Sciences Center has been awarded a federal grant to study links between the use of illicit drugs and alcohol and violence against women.

The \$184,440 grant was awarded through the Justice Department's National Institute of Justice.

The federal funds will be used for a study to examine individual and joint effects of men's and women's illegal drug and alcohol use, and binge and problem drinking on "intimate partner violence" against women.

"The rampant drug problems in northern New Mexico, and the associated alcohol abuse, have ramifications throughout our society," Domenici said. "This study should help determine what additional research we should undertake to find better ways to address these addictions and the violence that results."

The UNM Health Sciences Center will study specific types of drugs, multiple drug use, and drug-alcohol intoxication in relation to the severity and frequency of instances of violence against women.

Domenici is a member of the Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary Appropriations Subcommittee that funds the Department of Justice and its grant programs. He has taken the lead in trying to focus federal attention and resources on New Mexico for the fight against illegal drug trade and use, particularly as it relates to the heroin problems throughout north-central areas of the state.

RUIDOSO POLICE

High-speed chase ends at 100+ mph

A high-speed chase in Ruidoso, in pursuit of a stolen vehicle, was called off, when speeds reached beyond 100 mph Wednesday night.

The stolen automobile was later found abandoned.

Ruidoso police received a call of a 1992 Mitsubishi, taken from a residence on George P. White Drive just after 11 p.m. Wednesday.

Minutes later an officer spotted the vehicle on White Mountain Drive, and the pursuit began.

A number of squad cars joined in the chase.

The driver of the stolen auto is reported to have disregarded stop signals and stop signs, passed other traffic in no passing zones, and fled at speeds more than 100 mph.

The pursuit was called off for safety reasons, according to a Ruidoso police report.

The vehicle was later

found, unoccupied, in Turkey Canyon.

The owner of the auto said the vehicle had been left unlocked, with the key in it, at his residence.

Police are investigating, looking for a suspect or suspects.

Burglary suspect admits to another case

A suspect arrested for several Ruidoso home break-ins has admitted his involvement in another case.

Ruidoso police, responding to a report of a broken kitchen window at a Rio Arriba Drive residence, have tied the case to other incidents on Rio Arriba Drive and Otero Road.

The broken window was the only damage done in the newer break-in.

Nothing appeared to be missing from the residence.

The incident was reported on Jan. 17,

Michael Pena, 44, of Ruidoso, admitted responsibility for the more recently reported break-in, according to police.

Investigators are trying to determine if other break-ins in the area might be connected.

One of those cases involves a home broken into sometime between Jan. 4 and Jan. 19.

A police report states that breaking and entering occurred along Rio Arriba Drive. In that case it appeared nothing had been taken. Police evidence suggests the case is tied to the other incidents.

Prisoner damages jail door

A Capitan man, serving time in the Ruidoso Police jail, has had his term extended, for criminal damage to property at the lock-up. Aaron Matthew Hale, 19, pleaded guilty before a magistrate judge of the charge.

On Jan. 13 an officer at the

jail heard a scratching sound on a door, and discovered the words "die cop" and "I will" scratched in the door. Questioned by a police officer, Hale denied the incident, but later, in court, pleaded guilty, according to a police report. In addition to a 30-day term for being a minor in possession of alcohol, Hale received an additional 30-day sentence for damaging the door at the police lock-up.

Storage unit burglarized

A reenter of a storage unit reported to police his unit had been broken into, and items were missing. The incident is believed to have occurred in December or the first half of January. Among the items missing from the Mechem Drive storage unit was an antique cash register.

The loss is estimated at \$2,500, making the investigation one of felony burglary and larceny.

How to keep holiday plants alive into the new year

LAS CRUCES — Live holiday plants can be popular gift items. But once the holidays are over, keeping exotic houseplants like poinsettias and orchids alive may be challenging for novice gardeners, said a New Mexico State University horticulture specialist.

"Both poinsettias and orchids require bright, but not direct, sunlight," said Curtis Smith with NMSU's Cooperative Extension Service. "Inside the home, this could be a south-facing window with short curtains diffusing the sunlight."

Avoid placing the plants in

drafty locations near fans or heating registers. The air movement will cause water to evaporate from the plants' leaves more quickly.

"Poinsettias adapt to drought by dropping their leaves," Smith said. "We don't want that to happen, so don't let the soil dry out."

At the other extreme, over-watering poinsettias may cause root rot, reducing the amount of water taken up by the plants.

"Poinsettias will eventually lose their leaves," he said. "After this happens, give the plant a rest by allowing it to

dry out a little. Occasional watering and pruning when the plant starts to come back will result in a fuller plant."

If you want red color for the holidays, give the plant more than 12 hours of darkness a day, beginning with the fall equinox.

Orchids may present a bigger challenge, Smith said. "Under excellent conditions, the colorful flowers can last several months, even if the plant dies. Some people may choose to go this route and treat the plants as cut flowers, adding just enough water to maintain the blooms."

To keep the plants alive and promote growth, place them in a bright, sunny location away from drafts.

Keep the potting mix moist and the humidity around the plants high. "Misting the plants with water and grouping them closely together will increase the humidity," he said.

Depending on the variety, some orchids tolerate warm temperatures found in homes. Others may need cooler temperatures.

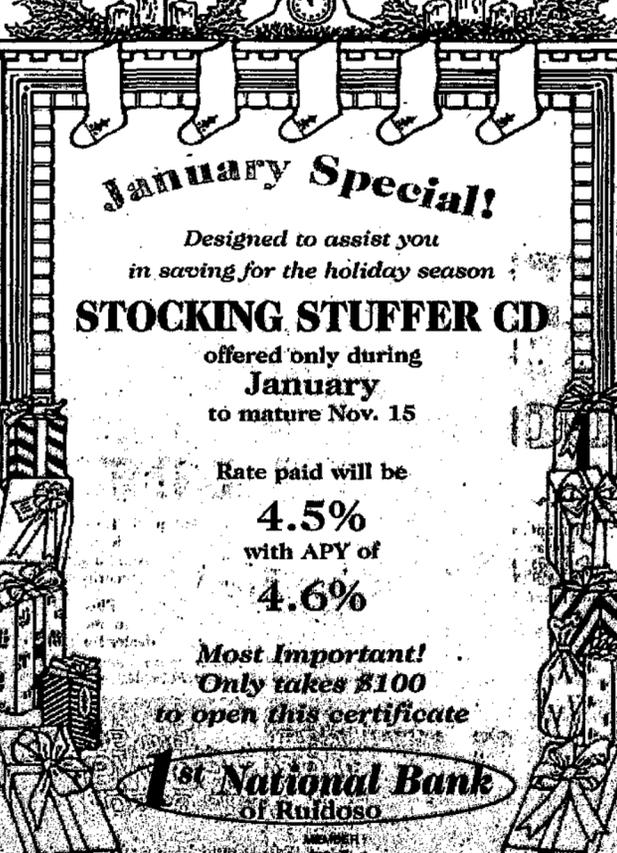
Smith recommends reading the plants' information labels for more growing tips.



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DISTRICT COURT

The following criminal cases are taken from Lincoln County District Court records in Carrizozo. They are identified by the date filed, the defendant, the charges and the docket number.

Dec. 1 - Dennis Lynnwood Baca, 28; fugitive complaint, state of Kansas, Johnson County, CV99-177.

Dec. 21 - Vivian Gonzales, 36, Ruidoso; unlawful influencing and fraud; CV99-179.

Dec. 28 - Gilbert Wanoskia Sr., 46, Dilles; three counts fraud by worthless check, a special penalty felony; CV99-180.

Jan. 5 - Humberto C. Portillo, 36, fugitive complaint, Texas, Palmer County, CR00-01.

Jan. 10 - Fernando Salinas, 29, Ruidoso; possession of marijuana with intent to distribute, fourth-degree felony, contributing to the delinquency of a minor, fourth-degree felony, resisting, evading or obstructing an officer, a misdemeanor; three motor vehicle code violations - no drivers license, failure to exhibit evidence of registration and no evidence of financial responsibility; and concealing identity, a petty misdemeanor; CR00-02.

Jan. 10 - Theresa, no age or residence listed; possession of controlled substance - methamphetamine, fourth-degree felony; possession of controlled substance - cocaine, fourth-degree felony; possession drug paraphernalia, special penalty misdemeanor; and possession marijuana under one ounce, petty misdemeanor; CR00-03.

The following civil cases are taken from Lincoln County District Court records in Carrizozo. They are identified by the date filed, the plaintiff and defendant, the type of action and the docket number.

Dec. 2 - Joan E. Park, in her capacity as county treasurer, vs. Roger Romero; post judgment replevin; CV99-272.

Dec. 2 - J. Robert Beauvais vs. Keith Warren; petition for breach of agreement, quantum meruit and suit on open account; CV99-273.

Dec. 3 - Collectrite Inc. vs. Dena Ballard; recover money for medical services rendered; CV99-274.

Dec. 3 - Mark Almond vs. Bob McAtee and Loretta R. McAtee, husband and wife; set aside fraudulent conveyance and foreclose judgment lien; CV99-275.

Dec. 6 - Ford Motor Credit Co. Vs. Jeanette Herrera; confession for judgment before suit; CV99-276.

Dec. 7 - Frank Candelaria vs. state of New Mexico, Motor Vehicle Division; notice of appeal; CV99-278.

Dec. 7 - Cliffhanger, formerly known as Cliffhanger, vs. Cliffhanger, husband

Maryland corporation, vs. Cecilia R. Guimaras; promissory note; CV99-279.

Dec. 9 - Provident National Bank vs. Jean Meach; complaint on contract and for debt and money due; CV99-280.

Dec. 10 - Bridgette Saint-Vincent, individually and as personal representative of the estate of Lise Wright, vs. Drew Wright, individually and as personal representative of the estate of Michael Wright and Kelly Wright-Richardson; declaratory judgment; CV99-281.

Dec. 13 - Countrywide Home Loans Inc., doing business as American's Wholesale Lender, vs. Kathryn Ann Cappuccelli, formerly known as Kathryn A. Schoenfelder, a single woman; foreclosure; CV99-282.

Dec. 17 - Wade Willis vs. Rex Wilson, William Schwettmann, L. Ray Nunley, Rick Simpson and Leo Martinez, individually and in their capacity as commissioners, and Correctional Systems Inc.; violation of civil rights, negligence; CV99-284.

Dec. 27 - Chrysler Financial Co. LLC vs. Herbert F. Harrington and Marian Tieshocthos; debt collection; CV99-285.

Dec. 28 - Crown Point owners Association Inc., a New Mexico Corp., vs. Kenneth and Virginia Breeden, Sabas and Maria de Canavati, Henry and Willa Dean Clay, Richard W. Cleveland Jr. and unknown spouse, Dwight and Krista Clower, Fredrea Codner and unknown spouse, Charles K. Davis and unknown spouse, Gilbert and Guadalupe Estrada, Maria W. Gary and unknown spouse, Natividad and Sara Gonzalez, Donald and Sammy Graves, Maria Chaves de Gutierrez and unknown spouse, Cheryl J. Haragan and unknown spouse, International Vacation Owner Services Inc., a New Mexico corporation, Octavio Humberto Jimenez Garza and Maria Tatyana de Jimenez, Scott and Kathleen Knapp, Jose Hugo Lopez Contreras and Olivia Villa de Lopez, Ramon and Alva Madrid, Ruben and Arnela Ochotorena, Rick and Lisa Percy, Beverly G. Pelletier and unknown spouse, Johnny and Linda Ramirez, doing business as A-I Sheet Metal, Sotero and Patricia Ramirez, Reta R. Rasmussen and unknown spouse, Leannell C. Roach and unknown spouse, Ramon and Angela Sanchez, Patrick and Dorothy Santry, Donald and Iris Severns, Carl A. Shepardson and unknown spouse, Larry and Keasandra Pearson Smith, Daniel and Glee Soto, Anne Lee Thorne and unknown spouse, Roberto Ugarte and unknown spouse, Billy and Brenda Walls; foreclosure of lien; CV99-286.

Dec. 30 - Christopher Faviell vs. Rex Wilson, William Schwettmann, Rick Simpson, L. Ray Nunley, and Leo Martinez, individually and as the Lincoln County Commission, and Correctional Systems Inc.; violations civil rights, negligence; CV99-287.

Dec. 30 - Village of Ruidoso, a New Mexico municipality, vs. Sanford T. and Kay Word of Lubbock, Texas; husband

and wife, and Morris and Dian Foster of Clovis, husband and wife; eminent domain; CV99-288.

Jan. 3 - In re: forfeiture of a silver 1988 Ford two-door sedan with New Mexico license plates and concerning Fernando Salinas and the vehicle's registered owner, Susan Pryce; forfeiture; CV00-01.

Jan. 4 - Florencio Chavez vs. state of New Mexico, Taxation and Revenue Department, Motor Vehicle Division; appeal and petition for writ of certiorari; CV00-02.

Jan. 11 - Lehrman Brothers vs. Marilyn Smalley, unmarried, and Phillip R. Smalley, a single man, as joint tenants; foreclosure; CV00-03.

Jan. 11 - Petition for name change, from Kevin Rees Garner to Kevin Pees McWright; CV00-04.

Jan. 11 - Donny and Joann Robertson vs. Victor Baca and Excavating Monroy Chavez; personal injury; CV00-05.

The following domestic relations cases are taken from Lincoln County District Court records in Carrizozo. They are identified by the date filed, the plaintiff and defendant, the type of action and the docket number.

Dec. 1 - Heather Eddy vs. Dennis Baca; petition for order prohibiting domestic violence; DV99-89.

Dec. 3 - Rhoda S. Glick vs. Richard R. Hostetter; divorce; DM99-146.

Dec. 6 - Michelle Chino vs. Fernon Chino; domestic violence petition; DV99-90.

Dec. 6 - Pollie Birady vs. John D. Applegate; domestic violence petition; DV99-91.

Dec. 6 - Jessica D. Stamps vs. Ronald Stamps; divorce; DM99-147.

Dec. 7 - Kimberly Brock vs. Cody Brock; divorce; DM99-148.

Dec. 8 - Denise Zamora vs. Dwayne Kenemore; domestic violence petition; DV99-92.

Dec. 10 - Wilhela Ann Mendoza vs. Danny Rat Mendoza; divorce; DM99-149.

Dec. 10 - Bob L. Bailey vs. Betty J. O'Dell Bailey; divorce; DM99-150.

Dec. 13 - Patricia Newton vs. Tracy Newton; domestic violence petition; DV99-93.

Dec. 17 - Paul J. Grigo vs. Michael Barela Jr.; petition for order of protection from domestic abuse; DV99-95.

Dec. 17 - Daniel Dean Rowell vs. Sarah Camp; to register and file foreign custody decree and motion for order enforcing foreign decree; DM99-152.

Dec. 20 - Hakan Duzagadam vs. Shalla Duzagadam; domestic abuse petition; DV99-96.

Dec. 20 - Lucy Edgar vs. Donald Kent Edgar; domestic abuse petition; DV99-97.

Dec. 23 - Suzanne Erica Barela vs. Marcos Ray Barela III; divorce; DM00-153.

LCMC BIRTHS

The following births were recorded at Lincoln County Medical Center during the months of December 1999 and January 2000:

December births
Dec. 28, 1999 - A daughter, Katelyn Deeann Ryan, to Amanda and Cody Ryan, 7 pounds, 5.6 ounces, 20 1/2 inches long.

January births
Jan. 2, 2000 - A son, Diego Pete Mendez, to Nicole Marru-

jo, 8 pounds, 14.5 ounces, 22 inches long.

Jan. 2 - A daughter, River Dawn Brothers, to Donald and Amanda Brothers, 7 pounds, 10.7 ounces, 18 1/2 inches long.

Jan. 2 - a son, James Edward Little-Youngman Jr., to Roslyn Enjady, 7 pounds, 8.2 ounces, 21 inches long.

Jan. 4 - A daughter, Tess Cahil Davenport, to Molly and Michael Davenport, 7 pounds, 10.78 ounces, 17 1/2 inches long.

Jan. 4 - A son, Ian Golden

Sears, to Lori and Cliff Sears, 7 pounds, 2.0 ounces, 19 3/4 inches long.

Jan. 6 - A son, Zane John Anthony Ortega, to Diana and Shelton Ortega Jr., 7 lbs, 6.9 oz, 19 inches long.

Jan. 11 - A daughter, Guadalupe Karina Martinez-Corral, to Sonia Corral, 76 pounds, 5.1 ounces, 19 3/4 inches long.

Jan. 14 - a son, Isiah Anthony Valdez, to Geneva Retamozza, 5 pounds, 10.5 ounces, 18 1/2 inches long.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

The following couples were issued marriages by the office of Lincoln County Clerk Martha Proctor during the months of November and December.

• Kenneth M. Anderson, 33, and Rhonda S. Sumruld, 29, issued and used Nov. 1.

• Pat Pettit, 49, and Connie Swart Becholdt, 49, issued Nov. 3 and used Nov. 7.

• L.P. Shugart, 69, and Wanda Adams, 62, issued and used Nov. 4.

• Randy Spear, 43, and Juanema Huddleston, 37, issued Nov. 4 and used Nov. 8.

• Nathan James Rank, 28, and Amber Christine Auchmoedy, 21, issued Nov. 5 and used Dec. 4.

• Frank Archuleta, 62, and C. Maria Guadalupe Ramos, 45, issued and used Nov. 12.

• Colby Miller, 24, and Amy Leigh Morris, 25, issued Nov. 18 and used Nov. 26.

• John E. Kasovia Jr., 32, and Marina L. Wendel, 38, issued Nov. 18 and used Nov. 21.

• Anthony R. Cardone, 21, and Nikki C. Price, 19, issued Nov. 19.

• Adam T. Vigil, 36, and Gwen R. Ammann, 35, reissued Nov. 22 and reissued Nov. 24.

• Franklin Samuel Pirelli, 37, and Antoinette Lily Vera,

30, issued Nov. 24 and used Dec. 4.

• Charles T. Kuykendall, 35, and Kim L. Kelley, 35, issued Nov. 24.

• Mitchell Cockran, 44, and Shelley M. Lippert, 34, issued Nov. 24 and used Dec. 9.

• William T. Beckett, 58, and Sharyl Zierlein, 47, issued Nov. 24.

• Arvel W. McCoy III, 49, and Donna Lee Criswell, 30, issued and used Nov. 29.

• John Michael Cardone, 18, and Joyce Ann Robbins, 21, issued Nov. 29 and used Dec. 4.

• Christopher Shay Suttle, 24, and Angela Lyn Lackey, 34, issued Dec. 2 and used Dec. 4.

• Fred Travis Jones, 28, and Ruby Jean Slack, 27, issued and used Dec. 3.

• Randy Joe Nelson, 46, and Rafaela A. Parra, 49, issued and used Dec. 3.

• Timothy Young Smith, 54, and Gloria F. Scott, 53, issued and used Dec. 6.

• Ralph Cole, 42, and Anna D. Temple, 51, issued Dec. 7 and used Dec. 24.

• Jay C. King, 41, and Monica R. Kellam, 35, issued and used Dec. 7.

• James Caryl Coon, 65, and Delores Dianne Coon, 51, issued Dec. 9 and used Dec. 12.

• Todd Wilson, 42, and Elena Pelcastre, 26, issue Dec. 16.

• Shawn Knight, 22, and Valerie Agueda Maldonado, 22, issued Dec. 12 and used Dec. 17.

• Donald Atchley, 47, and Janene Millsap, 25, issued and used Dec. 17.

• Troy Padilla, 31, and Lucha Ramirez, 28, issued Dec. 17 and used Dec. 24.

• James Tacey, 20, and Sabrina Lyle, 17, issued and used Dec. 22.

• Jarod R. Fox, 27, and Brenda Frazier, 35, issued Dec. 17 and used Dec. 29.

• James A. Wohletz, 56, and Dianne Graham Garner, 56, issued and used Dec. 28.

• Omar Martinez, 26, and Leticia Esther Martinez, 26, issued Dec. 29.

• James Bradley Aston, 31, and Amber Paige Hawkins, 33, issued and used Dec. 29.

• Gregory Lynn Dalton, 35, and Libby Angelene Allison, 30, issued Dec. 29.

• Terry Blain McMaster, 37, and Derralynn J. Gloyna, 41, issued Dec. 29 and used Dec. 31.

• Bryne K. Moore Jr., 21, and Kristy Dawn Manning, 25, issued and used Dec. 30.

• Alan Boyce Mariner, 28, and Toni Front Chaplin, 21, issued Dec. 30.

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Students discover lessons in 'murder'

BY SANDY SUGGITT
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The Jan. 8 "murder" of a visiting lecturer at Ruidoso Middle School is the focus of intense interest to 110 eighth grade students as they conduct their own mock investigation.

Thomas C. Rutherford, the fictitious lecturer, was to teach Steve Havill's science class how to draw bridges and was apparently in the process of setting up his demonstration when someone hit him over the head with a baseball bat, killing him.

Now Havill's class — and some of the other eighth grade classes at the school — are in the thick of it: analyzing evidence and interviewing witnesses.

One of the stereoptic microscopes the students are using in the "investigation" was bought with a Michael Jordan and National Foundation for the Improvement of Education grant that Havill has received.

Is it the victim's blood on the T-shirt in the dumpster? Does it match the blood on the baseball bat that is believed to be the murder weapon? A witness, Winona Winston, heard loud voices arguing in the classroom the visitor was in. But does she know more than what she's telling?

Havill's room is the crime



"Detective" Ryan Gorby puts "witness" Maria Johnson (aka Nena Evans) at ease as he interrogates her for the "murder investigation."

lab and students are the forensics staff. They compare fingerprints, shoe prints and fibers found at the scene of the crime, and send out for DNA comparisons on blood samples.

"The victim had a sprained ankle and left crutches at the scene and I've proved in lab work that (the bat) is the murder weapon because his blood is on the bat and his hair," "Detective" John Duffy, a student, said.

The murder mystery encompasses most subjects so that students learn different aspects of the "crime" in different classes.

In Valerie Edmister's social studies class, students study the Constitution and Supreme Court cases relevant to the case, Havill said. In two weeks they will be done with the investigation.

Then the "detectives" will present their case to the district attorney (thematic math teacher Gordon Thompson), and if it passes muster, the students will take it to the grand jury in Carrizozo.

Havill, who also is a mystery writer, designed the murder case to give students first-hand experience with it.

Capitan students begin to get 'MADD'

BY SANDY SUGGITT
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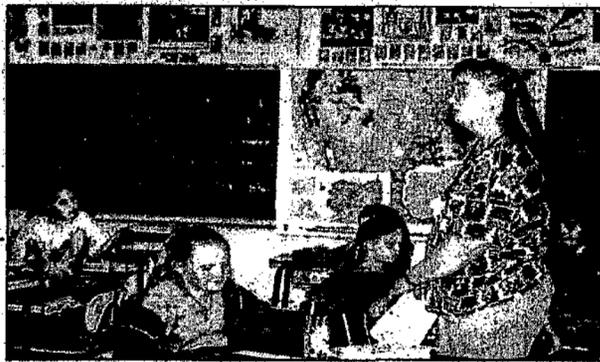
Elementary students in Capitan are in the second week of the MADD (Mothers Against Drunk Drivers) National Elementary School Project, "Protecting Me, Protecting You."

Capitan is one of 10 schools participating in the national pilot project to prevent youth from using alcohol and drugs while their brains are still developing and their neurons still busily connecting.

"How many of you have seen Jello being made?" asked Wanda Gielow de Figueroa, who taught fifth grade students their second session Thursday. "Liquid Jello is like a baby brain. In fact, parts of our brains are liquid until all our neurons are connected."

Teacher Tiffany Menix said she likes the lessons because they integrate science with reducing drug and alcohol use.

Dee Forester, another fifth-grade teacher, said the students are enjoying the sessions and are learning



Wanda Gielow de Figueroa teaches the second "Protecting Me, Protecting You" lesson to Dee Forester's fifth grade class at Capitan Elementary School.

about parts of the body they haven't studied yet.

"I think she's presenting some interesting facts to the children that they were not aware of. ... They always like it when they're learning something and at the same time participating."

Fourth- and fifth-grade students have sessions once a week for eight weeks, and kindergarten through third grades have sessions twice a week for four weeks.

Gielow de Figueroa said there are observers in each class critiquing the lessons, as she is also doing, to improve them.

The children's attitudes were surveyed during the first lesson and will be surveyed again after the end of the project, after six weeks, after 2-5 years, and finally, nine years later to see how their attitudes change over time regarding alcohol and drug use.

'Depressed' preschoolers are tuned in to negative facial expressions, study finds

People who are clinically depressed tend to see the outside world through the prism of their interior sadness.

To demonstrate that effect, scientists show them pictures of others and ask them to match facial expressions to emotions.

Depressed teen-agers and adults tend to interpret happy facial expressions as neutral and neutral expressions as sad, a phenomenon researchers call negative bias.

But investigators at Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis have found some striking differences in how children with symptoms of depression interpret facial expressions. Unlike depressed teen-agers and adults, children aren't more likely to read more negative content into emotions. But they're exceptionally good at identifying the ones they do see. The researchers reported their preliminary results in October 1999 at the annual meeting of the American Academy for Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and the Canadian Academy of Child Psychiatry in Chicago.

Picturing emotions

Lead investigator Christine Mrakotsky and colleagues tested 20 children between the ages of 4 and 5-1/2. Eleven had symptoms of depression. The other nine were age-matched control subjects. Each of the children was given the Facial Affect Comprehension Evalua-

tion (FACE) test. They were asked to find identical faces in a series of blurred photographs of faces. They also were instructed to match happy, sad, angry, scared and surprised faces to a list of those emotions. And the children were asked to recognize from facial expressions seven emotions and to verbally label these emotions: happiness, sadness, fear, anger, surprise, disgust and shame.

"They were more accurate than controls in identifying negative emotions, especially emotions such as sadness, shame and fear," said Mrakotsky, a research associate in Washington University's Early Emotional Development Program. "An emotion such as shame is very complex, so we would have expected it to be difficult for a child of 4 or 5 to identify it. But the children with symptoms of depression were quite able to identify these emotions."

In all, the preschoolers with depressive symptoms recognized and labeled significant-

ly more emotional expressions than the control children. They also recognized significantly more sad emotions and so-called "internal" emotions such as shame or fear. And they scored slightly higher in recognizing anger and disgust, but there were no differences in recognizing positive emotions such as happiness and surprise.

"Whereas depressed adults tend to reflect their negative emotions in these kinds of tests by perceiving most emotions as sadness, the children did not blur out any emotions," Mrakotsky said.

"They were more accurate than other children in recognizing negative emotions but did not show the negative bias observed in adults. In that way, children with depressive symp-

oms seem to differ qualitatively in their recognition of emotions from adults with major depression."

Mrakotsky is careful to say that the children in the study had symptoms of depression rather than that they were depressed because it is not clear that such young children can get depressed. These experiments were conducted as part of a larger, comprehensive study that hopes to determine whether young children truly can suffer from clinical depression.

Child psychiatrist Jean Luby, M.D., is principal investigator of that five-year study funded by the National Institute of Mental Health. An assistant professor of child psychiatry, she also directs the Wash-

ington University Early Emotional Development Program.

"The main questions have to do with defining depressive syndromes in preschool children, if in fact, they can be identified and defined," Luby explained. "This study of emotional recognition does lend some validity to the idea that children we have identified as appearing to be depressed are somehow different from normal controls. They certainly seem to have different capabilities for recognition of emotion."

Whether these differences actually represent major depression is still unknown. "Our children are probably different in that they show depressive symptoms," Mrakotsky said. "However, we are not yet able to say whether this will devel-

op into a disorder like major depression over a long time period."

Defining the symptoms

How long symptoms persist is important. In adults, a depressive episode must last at least two weeks before a patient officially can be diagnosed as depressed. That is a lot longer in the life of a three-year-old than in the life of an adult.

Other symptoms like lethargy, sadness and sleep problems are easy to spot in a full-grown human, but what are their equivalents in small children? And because in many physiological and psychological ways children are not simply miniature adults, is it necessary to find childhood equivalents of adult symptoms to diagnose.

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Snowmaking in last 24 hours: On the Chair 8 trails, Elk Ridge and Bullrun
Settled snow base on trails to be open: 14-24 inches
Trails open: Capitán, Top Notch, Smokey Bear, Snow Park, Lower Deep Freeze, Lower 58T, Lower Moonshine and the lower novice slopes.
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Friday, Jan. 21
Prep boys basketball
Ruidoso at home vs. Lovington (V, JV, Fr), 4 p.m.
Carrizozo at Vaughn, 7 p.m.
Mescalero at home vs. Loving, 5 p.m.
Corona at home vs. Mountainair, 7:30 p.m.
Prep girls basketball
Ruidoso at Cobre (V, JV, Fr), 4 p.m.
Mescalero at home vs. Loving, 5 p.m.
Corona at home vs. Mountainair, 6 p.m.
Prep wrestling
Ruidoso at St. Michael's Tournament
Saturday, Jan. 22
Prep boys basketball
Capitan at home vs. Hatch, 2 p.m.
Carrizozo at home vs. Mountainair, 2 p.m.
Mescalero at Mesilla Valley, 1 p.m.
Corona at home vs. Hondo, 3:30 p.m.
Prep girls basketball
Ruidoso at Silver City (V, JV, Fr), 4 p.m.
Capitan at home vs. Hatch, 2 p.m.
Carrizozo at home vs. Mountainair, 2 p.m.
Mescalero at Mesilla Valley, 1 p.m.
Corona at home vs. Hondo, 2 p.m.
Prep wrestling
Ruidoso at St. Michael's Tournament
Tuesday, Jan. 25
Prep boys basketball
Ruidoso at Santa Teresa (V, JV, Fr), 4 p.m.
Prep girls basketball
Ruidoso at home vs. Santa Teresa (V, JV, Fr), 4 p.m.
Capitan at home vs. Tularosa (V, JV), 5 p.m.
Prep wrestling
Ruidoso at Roswell, 5 p.m.

Scoreboard

Monday, Jan. 17
Prep girls basketball
Cloudcroft 48, Mescalero 33
Tuesday, Jan. 18
Prep girls basketball
Portales 83, Ruidoso 27
Prep wrestling
Roswell Goddard 42, Ruidoso 33

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Cahoon Park Run
The 18th annual Cahoon Park Run will be held at 10 a.m. Feb. 26 at Cahoon Park in Roswell. The event consists of a competitive 10K run, 3-mile fun run/walk and a 2-mile walk. Participants will compete in seven age divisions for both men and women. Overall winners in both races will receive a gift certificate from Golden Corral and a ceramic collectible. First-through third-place finishers will receive ribbons and the first-place finishers will receive ceramic hearts. All participants will receive a long-sleeve T-shirt. Pre-registration is \$8 before Feb. 23. Late registration is \$9. For more information, contact the Roswell Recreation Department at 505-624-6720.

Northern New Mexico Senior Men's Golf Association
The Northern New Mexico Senior Men's Golf Association is now accepting applications for the 2000 season of play. Members must be 55 years old and live in northern New Mexico or southern Colorado. The association will play 27 tournaments in various cities in northern New Mexico and southern Colorado from April 25 through Oct. 24. The association has grown steadily each year, which allows members to play the finest golf courses in the area. The schedule and membership applications are available. For more information, contact Don Homan at 2325 Valle Luminoso, Santa Fe, NM 87505 or call 505-471-0380.

Grapplers fight tough, but fall to Goddard

BY KAREN BOEHLER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Ruidoso's wrestlers may have lost a dual match to Roswell Goddard Tuesday, falling 42-33, but they certainly didn't lose for a lack of trying.

"We wrestled the best we've ever wrestled, in my opinion," said coach Jerrett Perry. "We're in a lot better shape, but we're not quite there yet and we're going to continue to peak pretty soon."

If the Warriors still haven't peaked, their future competitors should feel some trepidation. Whether winning or losing, the Warriors appeared to give it all they could on the mat, and considering the team is young — five freshmen are among the varsity wrestlers — the future looks bright.

"We won a lot of matches, especially the kids who've been learning over the season, so we're extremely happy they're coming around," Perry said.

In the first match of the night, 112-pounder Jeremy Pritchett had what

Perry termed "a fantastic win."

Perry called 125-pounder David McNally's 13-11 overtime win "the match of the night."

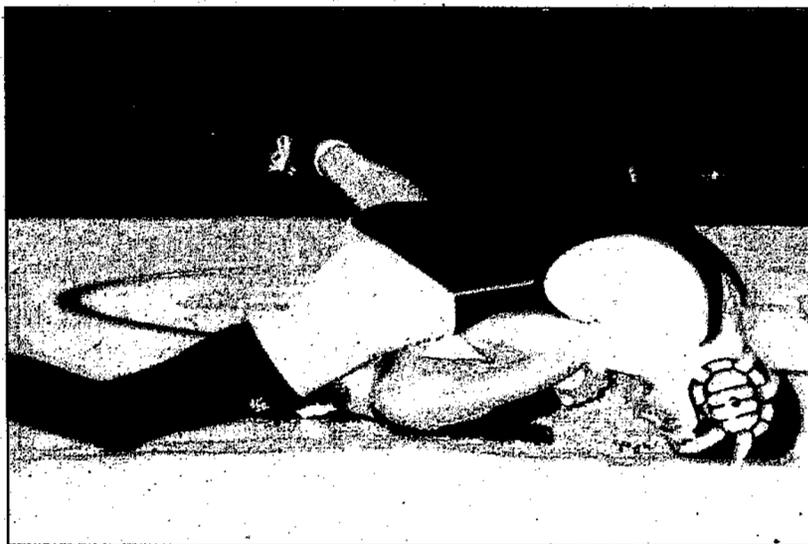
"He's our little freshman and he's really coming around," Perry said. "He takes wrestling extremely seriously. He's one of the guys who's going to help build this young program."

Another freshman, Royce McMillion, lost at 130 pounds, but fought his opponent to the end, finally falling 9-2. And sophomore heavyweight Pat Hodges faced senior Aaron Payne, a possible state contender in AAAA, losing a tight 3-0 match.

"In the years to come, he's going to be tough," said Rocket coach Jaime Martinez of the Warrior wrestler.

Although the Rockets are also young — Martinez said they're mostly freshmen and sophomores with some juniors and seniors in the mix — they were experienced, and that experience gave Ruidoso a chance to continue working toward its goal.

"If we compete with people like



Freshman grappler Jeremy Pritchett, 112 pounds, gets a hold on Rocket Phil Fresquez. Pritchett pinned the Goddard wrestler in the first period.



Warrior wrestler David McNally tries to get a grip on Goddard Rocket Chase Bishop while the referee watches closely. McNally won 13-11 in what Ruidoso coach Jerrett Perry called "the match of the night."

that, then we're going to be among the best," Perry said. "We're going to continue to work hard until state then hopefully we can take home some medals. We feel real optimistic."

The Warriors will get another chance to work on that goal today and Saturday in Santa Fe.

The Warriors will be competing against 17 other teams in the prestigious St. Michael's Tournament. Among others, the Warriors will be facing wrestlers from Aztec, Cobre, Moriarty, Kirtland Central and Bloomfield.

"Every AAA school that you can imagine in New Mexico is going to be there, and we're going to try real hard to place among the best," Perry said. "And I think we can, the way that we're wrestling and the way that we're conditioning. We're setting our expectations extremely high."

Results:
103 Shawn Gurule won by forfeit
112 Jeremy Pritchett def. Phil Fresquez, pin in 1st
119 Reynaldo Valenzuela def. Justin Gray, pin in 3rd
125 David McNally def. Chase Bishop, 13-11 OT
130 Chris Neft def. Royce McMillion, 9-2
140 Justin Smith def. Casey Arnett, pin in 1st
145 Mike Martinez def. Dusty Justus, pin in 1st
152 Cole Randie def. Tanner McGarvey, pin in 1st
160 Grant Brumlow won by forfeit
171 Randy Lingren def. Shane Villardo, pin in 2nd
189 Adrian Nelson def. Luke Bates, pin in 2nd
215 Keith Bassett def. Pete Brumland, pin in 1st
Hwt Aaron Payne def. Pat Hodges, 3-0

Lady Warriors fall to Portales

BY KAREN BOEHLER
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With district starting tonight, the Lady Warriors need to start playing the type of game their coach knows they can.

"They've just got to come and play basketball," said coach Jim Varnadore. "They have the talent and they have what it takes to do it, they just have to learn to work together and play."

They didn't work together Tuesday, getting thoroughly trounced in Portales, 83-27.

"A thorough beating" was how Varnadore described it. "They're just a very good team and played very well."

Ruidoso didn't. "We didn't play very good," Varnadore said. "We kind of let down after the game started. They got to 15-2 or so and we had a letdown and didn't pick it up from there."

The Warriors trailed 23-4 after one, 45-11 at the half and

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Warriors get ready for district matchups

Ladies open season vs. Cobre, Silver

BY KAREN BOEHLER
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District 3AAA has never been easy for the Lady Warriors, and it won't be any different this year, the final year in the district.

Ruidoso opens tonight against Cobre, then travels up the road to Silver Saturday. With the Colts the No. 1-ranked AAA team in the state, Ruidoso coach Jim Varnadore is grateful he can kick off district play against the Indians.

"It's much better because we have a chance to beat Cobre on Friday night," he said. "If we had to play a hard game against Silver and get clobbered and then go and

play Cobre, it might be a different outcome. But playing them first gives us a chance to not worry about the next night and just go play basketball."

Varnadore knows Silver is the strongest team in the district and perhaps in the state. But after that things get murkier.

"We have three other teams in district — Santa Teresa, Hot Springs and Cobre — and we stack up very well with those," he said. "There's a great chance of being the second-place team in the district. We just have to put our minds to that goal, play one game at a time and not get overconfident and not get down when we aren't playing well. I think that's our problem now. We're getting down when things are not

Warriors take on Santa Teresa Tuesday

BY KAREN BOEHLER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

The Warriors square off Tuesday against one of next year's district foes, then jump into this year's fray Tuesday.

Ruidoso coach Billy Page called tonight's game against Lovington a "pre-district" game, because realignments next season will put the Warriors and Rams together, as they are now in football. But win or lose, the match against the Rams doesn't mean much except as preparation.

Prior to Tuesday's loss at Roswell Goddard, Page said the final two preseason games would show whether or not the Warriors are ready for dis-

trict. "If we have two good solid games against Goddard and Lovington, then I'll say, 'Yeah, we're ready for district,'" he said. "If we come out and are real flat and lackadaisical, which we haven't been, then I can say, 'No, we're not ready.' But we'll be ready. We'll get ready."

They'll need to. Three 3AAA teams are ranked in the top 10. Silver is No. 5, Ruidoso is No. 7 and Hot Springs No. 9. Silver, as always, is expected to be No. 1 in the district.

"That's what everybody is saying," Page said. "And of course until we beat Silver, that's what you have to say. Hot Springs beat them last year, but Hot Springs didn't end up in the state tournament or in the

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- When: 7 p.m. tonight
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- Where: Santa Teresa High School

High school wrestlers put WWF to 'shame

If you've never seen high school wrestling, you're missing an incredible sport.

When I moved from general assignment reporting to sports, I knew basketball and football, volleyball and baseball and pretty much all the other sports high schools offer.

Wrestling, however, was something involving folks with names like Hulk Hogan and Jessie "The Body" Ventura, played out on the television stages of the World Wrestling Federation.

So it came as a total surprise to me the first time I walked into a gym and found out what REAL wrestlers do.

Because believe me, high school

KAREN'S KORNERS



BY KAREN BOEHLER
SPORTS EDITOR

wrestlers or grapplers or matmen, but they're not "players."

wrestling is as far removed from the world of the WWF as you can imagine.

In one of my first articles about a wrestling team, I called the wrestlers "players," a term generally used for high school athletes. I quickly got called on the carpet by the coach.

"My athletes are not 'players,'" he told me. "They're wrestlers or grapplers or matmen, but they're not 'players.'"

And he was right. Wrestlers do anything but 'play.'

Wrestling is an amazing sport, with some of the most highly conditioned, intense athletes you'll ever find. In competition, these athletes go head-to-head for six minutes with almost perfectly-matched peers.

They have to be in shape both physically and mentally, because one little mistake in either venue can cost the match.

The faces on the athletes as they struggle to find a hold or get out of the grip of their opponent or consider how to make their next move tells the story.

Those faces are intense. I've always consider cross-country

athletes some of the finest around because of what they have to do. But when they're running you don't get a chance to see them.

At a wrestling match, the fans are often right at the edge of the mats. You can see, up close and personal, just what these young athletes are going through. You can watch the expressions on their faces change from determination to pain to joy or sorrow.

You can see the minute changes in hand-holds it takes to get an opponent in place. You can watch as a wrestler strains both mind and muscle to hold his opponent in that place, trying, as all do, for the ultimate goal: a pin.

You can hear the coaches call out

instructions from the sidelines, although I can't imagine how the wrestlers even know what's happening beyond the edges of the mat.

And finally, you can hear the slap by the referee as he signals a pin and see the relief on the faces of both challengers as they know they get to take a breather.

Until the next time. The wrestling season is short, and compared to other sports there aren't a lot of home meets. But the Warriors have two more home meets before the season ends, and I'd encourage anyone wanting to see some of the finest athletes around to attend.

I promise you won't be disappointed.

Lady Chiefs open district vs. No. 10 Loving

BY KAREN BOEHLER
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The Lady Chiefs begin district play today with a match against Loving, the No. 1 team in District 5A and No. 10-ranked team statewide. Although his team faces a challenge, Mescalero coach Rol Bradford thinks the Chiefs could give Loving a test.

"We played them here last year, and we really had a good game against them," he said. "If we can go at it with that same kind of attitude, hopefully we can play in that game with them. And if my girls see they can play with the top

team in the district, maybe that will give us some momentum to carry us into district play."

The Chiefs compete in District 5A, which includes Loving, Hagerman, Mesilla Valley and Lake Arthur. Although Bradford is not certain how the rest of the district shapes up, he expects Hagerman to fight for the second spot, with the Chiefs and Mesilla Valley fighting for third and fourth and Lake Arthur taking the cellar spot.

For the Chiefs to compete, however, they're going to have to get more consistent. Monday, they fell to Cloud-

croft 48-33 in a game in which no one could hit the basket early.

The score was 5-2 Bears after one quarter and 17-10 at the half. The Chiefs stayed close after three, 29-20, but couldn't hold on through the final stanza.

"I think against Cloudcroft, we really played some good defense," Bradford said. "We played good defense against Corona and played great defense against Cloudcroft. But there's still that age old problem with us; being able to shoot and put the ball in the hoop."

The scoring was evenly spread among players on both

teams. Kassie Kaydahzinne led all scorers with nine points and three others had five points each. The problem for Mescalero was that top scorers Ophelia Prins and Sasha Aragon were two of those with only five each.

Bradford said the team played well, but not as good as they had last week against Corona.

"After Friday, I thought we'd got to another level, then it was like we were right back at peg one," he said. "The girls are still working their tails off and that's all we can do — try to get it to the point where they've got confidence."

Warriors named to All-State team

...has been named to the All-State team. The Warriors were named to the All-State team in... Frizzell... back... the first... and... team... Schiele... Keith... and junior Todd...

Schrader, who tied for the quarterback position, was named in offensive positions. Rounding out the Warriors' honors were junior Jesse Anderson at place kicker and senior Grant Bramble, defensive lineman. Both received honorable mention. State champion St. Pius led the voting with eight players named to the first team. Rimmerup Artesia had two players on the first squad.

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district championship. We feel we have a good chance. A very good chance."

But the Warriors will still have to get by not only Silver, but Hot Springs, Cobre and Santa Teresa, and that might not be easy either.

"Neither (Cobre nor Santa Teresa) has a very good record, but you can't count them out," Page said. "Any

team, come district time, could have a good game or have a bad game and you can't count anybody out. Everybody's chomping at the bit to be in the district championship."

Including Ruidoso. And if the Warriors can live up to the potential they showed early in the season, they just might find themselves back at the state tournament, come early March.

LADIES: Rams pound Ruidoso

and 63-17 after three, only scoring in double figures the last quarter. Individually, only Crystal Rojas scored in double figures with 11 points. Elena Aguilar had seven.

Letting down is something that has more to do with the mental aspect of the game than the physical part. The Warriors started the season with some strong games, but have been on a slide since the new year.

"It's a mental problem and I hope it's something they can get over," Varnadore said. "It's something that's happened around here forever. That was one of the things I hoped to be able to help with."

"We start a game, and if any little thing goes wrong, it seems like we just don't do what we need to do. Hopefully with district starting we can solve that problem."

All-girl soccer in Ruidoso's future

BY KAREN BOEHLER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

All-girl soccer is in Ruidoso's future.

The success of the U.S. women's soccer team at the World Cup last year has energized young female soccer players in Lincoln County.

While the Lincoln County Youth Soccer League has supported boys and coed teams, this is the first time an all-girls team has been considered. The idea was proposed by several prospective players.

"Some girls approached me from the high school, asking why there wasn't a girls soccer team," said coach Sigurd Schmitz. "I poked around to see if there was interest."

Apparently, there was and Tuesday, players and parents met to begin the undertaking.

"We have a lot of girls who are real dedicated to sports," said Margaret Lahey, one of the organizers. "A lot of them are volleyball players or basketball players, and they have wanted to have a chance to do soccer."

A U-15 traveling team is being formed.

Schmitz is looking for 13, 14 and 15 year old girls from throughout Lincoln County.

"(We're looking for) anybody from this region — Captain, Hondo," Lahey said. "Anybody whose parents are willing to drive them this far for practice are welcome to join the team."

Practice is scheduled to begin in March with competition beginning soon after. Because of a lack of competition locally, the team will travel to tournaments in places such as Albuquerque, Las Cruces and Lubbock, Texas in the spring to compete. The team may continue to compete through the summer if players are interested.

Sign ups will be at 7 p.m. Jan. 26 at the Ruidoso Middle School at Schmitz' science classroom. Any girl interested in signing up should bring a copy of a birth certificate and a small photo, along with a \$12 registration fee.

Registration night will also serve as an organizational meeting with parents signing up for the committee they choose to serve on: steering

committee, fundraising, transportation, housing or telephone. Because it is a traveling team, Lahey said, parents should realize the team will take a great deal of commitment.

Players and organizers will also be looking for community support, especially in the form of donations.

"We're looking for donations because we have to pay for uniforms and tournaments and bus travel and everything else," Schmitz said.

If the U-15 team is successful, Ruidoso High School athletic director Ron Wall has indicated a girls team might be added to the Warrior fall sports roster. Initially, the team would be junior

varsity, with the team becoming a varsity squad as the players gain experience.

Schmitz, who volunteered to coach the squad, is an avid soccer player and coach who has served as the Warrior assistant coach. Misty Rel will serve as assistant coach.

For more information, contact LCYSL liaison Kathy Yeager at 354-3306.

U-15 GIRLS SOCCER

- When: U-15 girls soccer team signups
- When: 7 p.m. Jan. 26
- Where: Ruidoso Middle School, Sigurd Schmitz science classroom
- Cost: \$15

Fishing report

For bait fishing — GRINDSTONE RESERVOIR: Fishing is fair on powerbait and salmon eggs. **BONITO LAKE:** Closed until April 1. **Jim McGarvey, Western Auto**

For fly fishing — The river is flowing less than two cubic feet per second and fishing above the Carizo Creek confluence is nearly at a standstill. We really need moisture. I figure if the skiers "think snow" and the fishermen think "rain" and we all wash our cars, something should happen. **RIO RUIDOSO:** The river is still extremely low with ice patches galore. If you do venture forth, take extreme care in walking the shoreline and waterline as the ice adds a dimension we are not used to. The best fly selections we found this past week have been green rock worms or pheasant tail nymphs. A small hatch of baetis came off Saturday morning, allowing for a bit of dry fly action.

BONITO CREEK: Fishing is now spotty on the South Fork due to the reduced water flow. With the onset of the cold weather and ice, the fishing is very limited, although lots of pocket water fishing and lots of natural beauty are here to enjoy. The fish are not picky on the South fork, so grab the best of what your fly box holds and toss it. If you pack it in, pack it out. Remember, there are no trash cans in the middle of the forest.

BONITO LAKE: The lake closed for the season Nov. 30. Reopens April 1, 2000. **EAGLE LAKES:** The lakes are closed for the season. Look for their opening in May 1999.

GRINDSTONE LAKE: Late evening fishing will produce the best fishing here. It's time to break out the streamer flies and the sinking tip line and fish the late evenings. We have been doing fair with little rainbow trout streamers and black nose dace streamers late in the day. Bubble rigs and propeller flies will do well for the spin caster. There is considerable ice in most of the lake's coves so some of your favorite summertime spots may be iced over.

LAKE MESCALERO: The lake level is down, but is fishing well in the late afternoon and evening. Dry flies that have been working are parachute Adams, Hendricksons, mosquito's and midges. Muddler, minnows and black nose dace streamers have produced. Prop flies with a bubble rig have been doing well for the spin casters. Ice patches are on the lake so a little walking may be required to find open water. Remember to purchase your day pass at the reception desk at the inn. Remember to take your trash home with you and pick up whatever trash you may see while visiting one of our lakes or streams. Keep our waterways clean and beautiful. Practice catch and release wherever and whenever you can.

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going our way and we don't seem to recover. But I saw better things at Artesia."

The Warriors head into tonight's game with a six-game losing streak, but records don't mean much this time of year. If Ruidoso can get on track and take it to the Indians then give the Colts a good fight, a berth at the state tournament just might be a possibility.

Avalanche victims found faster with robotic 'swarm,' researcher says

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. - Rescuers seeking a skier or snowboarder buried under an avalanche face a major problem: how to find the unfortunate person before suffocation, or frostbite and hypothermia, do.

Death can come in half an hour. A record number of snowsports enthusiasts died last year in avalanches in the United States.

"Yelling and pointing are probably not the most efficient ways to conduct a rapid search," says researcher Rush Robinett, describing ad hoc cooperation between searchers at the slopes.

Robinett, with the Department of Energy's Sandia

National Laboratories, has a better, if unconventional, approach.

Computationally, he says, finding a snow-buried skier is remarkably similar to locating the point source of a chemical or biological attack. His group's recently developed computer program, which provides group intelligence for a swarm of mini-robots to rapidly pinpoint a source of contagion, can also be used by a group of humans carrying minicomputers, global positioning receivers, and simple radio equipment to find a skier buried in whiteness.

In Sandia computer simulations, he says, searchers using the "swarm" algorithm

called "Distributed Optimization" found avalanche victims four times faster than simulations of any published search scheme currently in use. "That's with conditions as simple as possible," says Robinett. In more complicated situations, where depth of snow burial or rocks or trees created complications, the Sandia algorithm comparatively was even faster.

In its primary use for the Department of Defense, the search algorithm enables cockroach-sized robots to "talk" to each other through radio transmitters and home in on a target far more quickly than solitary searchers using more conventional means. The

group search technique, called swarming, relies upon neither a central intelligence telling the searchers what to do nor the intuition of individuals. Instead, each robot continually informs others of its position and of the strength of signal received at that position from the sought-for source. The steady streams of information from multiple sources allow each member of the swarm to continually refine the direction of its search.

The same algorithms, says Robinett, can be used by human "platforms" [searchers] to locate buried skiers. Skiers in avalanche country already carry radio beacons as standard operating procedure,

though search techniques to locate the beacon usually are not particularly advanced: A standard approach is to exhaustively search every inch of ground - a time-consuming procedure. Another requires the searcher to make a right-angle turn when signal strength decreases. Such searches are difficult because buried obstacles mask the strength of radio signals, and the transmitter's physical orientation is unknown.

Because of the increased popularity of the ski slopes, according to the Cyberspace Snow and Avalanche Center in Corvallis, Ore., skiing deaths due to avalanches were a record in the U.S. last year,

with 33 fatalities in 23 separate incidents. Chances of survival decrease markedly after a half-hour under the snow, says Jim Frankenfield, director of the Center. Says Robinett, "Because finding the location of a radio-frequency sender and finding the center of a region from which some form of lethality is emanating are essentially the same activity, we can solve a whole class of similar problems with the same algorithms. By carrying lightweight radios, GPS positioning devices, and pocket computers programmed with robotic search algorithms, rescuers would be told [via computer screen], "South three steps for most efficient path search," or some such thing."

Scientists say the city of New Orleans could share the same watery fate as mythic Atlantis?

With predicted sea level rise, wetland loss, subsidence, and the absence of restoration programs, the future of New Orleans appears bleak. Research from University of New Orleans scientists examine the processes driving catastrophic coastal conditions and the breakdown of the Mississippi River Delta.

NEW ORLEANS — By the year 2100, the city of New Orleans may be extinct, submerged in water. A future akin to the fabled sunken city of Atlantis?

Yes, according to Dr. Chip Groat, Director of the United States Geological Survey (USGS) in Washington, D.C.,

"With the projected rate of subsidence (the natural sinking of land),

wetland loss, and sea level rise," he said, "New Orleans will likely be on the verge of extinction by this time next century."

University of New Orleans coastal geologist Dr. Shea Penland and coastal geomorphologist Dr. Denise Reed have spent their careers (combined 40 years) figuring out exactly what is driving this catastrophic condition. Their research has identified the specific problems jeopardizing the future of New Orleans and southern Louisiana. "We have the greatest coastal land loss problem in North America. This is more than a serious problem . . . it's a catastrophic one. We're living on the verge of a coastal collapse," warns Dr. Penland.

Currently, 40 percent of all coastal wetlands in the United States are

located in Louisiana, and 80% of all wetland loss in our nation occurs in Louisiana. From 1930-1990, the Mississippi River Delta lost more than 1,000 square miles of land, approximately the size of New Jersey.

Over the last 50 years, land loss rates had accelerated from 10 miles to 40 miles per year by the 1970s, with the current rate being approximately 25 square miles or 18,000 acres of wetlands a year. Coastal Louisiana is poised to lose more than 10,000 acres per year for the foreseeable future.

New Orleans is sinking three feet per century—eight times faster than the worldwide rate of only 0.4 feet per century. Currently, New Orleans, on average, is eight feet below sea level—11 feet in some places.

Many of the low-lying barrier

islands will disappear by 2050.

UNO scientists suggest that, without appropriate restoration efforts, Louisiana faces continued wetland loss, the deterioration of the Mississippi River Delta (the largest and most economically profitable in the nation), and the possible collapse of the entire ecosystem.

However, Penland, Reed, and other researchers have shown that the coastal ecosystem, while damaged, is sufficiently intact for restoration efforts to succeed in managing the problem.

They, along with other University of New Orleans scientists, continue to work in close concert with state and federal agencies to create, evaluate, and monitor restoration strategies and coastal management solutions.

There work is included in: the Coast 2050—a new multi-agency \$14 billion restoration report/plan for coastal Louisiana.

Today, Penland, Reed and other university scientists continue to work on the issue: restoring barrier islands; working on a \$5 million contract with the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers to document and assist in the beneficial use of dredge material; studying the biochemistry of the waterways; detecting and measuring water stratification such as that associated with the "Dead Zones" offshore in the Gulf; engaged in the long-term establishment and preservation of grassed populations; designing restoration projects; training the next generation of students with coastal restoration courses; and much more.

Psychiatrists and psychologists work on preventing workplace violence in the new millennium

SAN DIEGO — Recent outbreaks of workplace violence in Seattle and Honolulu have left many U.S. workers feeling uneasy about their safety, perhaps with good reason. Today, workplace violence accounts for one in every six violent crimes in the United States, and 60 percent of American workers do not feel safe on their jobs.

An increasing number of companies recognize this horrific trend and they are starting to use preventive programs that can pinpoint a potential problem and take action before it explodes during business hours.

"Workplace violence prevention has been around for a while in government and in law enforcement agencies, but now we are seeing a significant

switch into the corporate world," said Dr. James Cavanaugh, director of the Isaac Ray Center at Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center. Cavanaugh has organized a team of psychiatrists and psychologists who work with companies and agencies to identify and deal with workplace violence.

Unfortunately, companies often experience first hand an incident involving one of their employees before they act, Cavanaugh noted. Rush has offered its special workplace violence prevention team for several years but has recently begun to work with two companies to enhance and expand this service.

The Isaac Ray Center at Rush has joined forces with Pro-

fessional Workplace Interactions, Inc. (PWI) in San Diego to further enhance response time capabilities and develop useful information products for corporate America. While the Rush professionals evaluate on behalf of the company, employees who may not be fit for duty (i.e., could potentially be dangerous), PWI assists companies to first be aware of the workplace problem and then to develop intervention and prevention strategies to reduce the risk of future liability by educating company managers. Once a potentially violent employee is identified by PWI, then the San Diego consulting group can call the Rush team for state of the art clinical assessment and intervention advice.

"Violence in the workplace

usually is the result of stress," said Dr. Rodgers Wilson, director of special projects at the Isaac Ray Center. "Our team assesses employees' emotional and physical fitness for their jobs. This shows us the potential for violence and guides us in assessing the diagnostic issues and in deciding upon the preventive measures necessary for the situation."

According to David Smith, president and CEO of PWI, there are three stages that lead to a violent act, allowing the trained manager opportunities to intervene. "The first stage is exhibited through inappropriate language such as swearing, yelling or name calling," Smith said. "Next, the employee will often vandalize company prop-

erty or steal an object from another employee in an attempt to sabotage the employee's career." The third and final stage is reached when the employee commits, or attempts to commit, a violent act or act of sabotage. "We have another employee, Smith said. "Rush and PWI try to pinpoint the potential for violence at the earliest stages, but many companies still don't come to us for help until after a violent incident has occurred. We want to raise companies' awareness and increase their participation in preventive measures rather than wait until incidents of workplace violence become full blown," Cavanaugh said.

The courts are placing the liability for on-site violence on

the companies, causing many businesses to take a second look at their policies and procedures. While many larger companies have the resources and the motivation to conduct workplace violence training, Cavanaugh believes that the future holds huge potential for developing Internet educational materials for smaller companies who want to reconfigure their policies to better understand and reduce their risk. Currently, Rush and TeamWerks, Inc., a Chicago based Internet solutions, software company, are working to develop new products that will incorporate the clinical and educational expertise of the Rush Isaac Ray Center/PWI initiatives with TeamWerks' software development capabilities.

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20 Trucks/4X4's

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1993 FORD EXPLORER 4x4, XLT, power windows and seats, leather interior, one owner. Can be seen at Lincoln Tower parking lot, \$9,750, 258-4467, days, 258-3651 evenings.

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22 Motorcycles

1998 KAWASAKI dirt bike; KLX300R, original owner, mint condition, very low mileage, \$4,000 OBO. 258-3023, leave message.

24 RV/Travel

SALE OR TRADE: 1993 Coachman diesel pusher; loaded and in immaculate condition for home or land in Ruidoso area. Coach valued at \$65,000. 806/894-9919

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24 RVs and Travel Trailers

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25 Livestock

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29 Pets & Supplies

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30 Yard Sales

HOUSEHOLD/HOUSE sale: Everything must go. Many giveaways w/purchase. 9am-4pm every weekend until sold. Call for appointment during week. 830-0114 (Shawn)

FRANCISCAN CHINA; Apple USA, dinette w/chairs, queen bed, drawers, side tables, mirror, 2 tv's, Barrister bookshelves, padded bar stools, plus 120 Lober Terrace #10. 257-7389. Friday and Saturday.

CLOSEOUT ON ALL ITEMS to include tools, fixtures, plants, fountains and other. Aspen Cove Home Garden, 1153 Mechem. Open Daily.

MOVING SALE: furniture, tools, clothing, misc. 10am-4pm, Sat only. 211 Sequoia Drive.

YARD SALE: 101 North Candlewood, Fri, Sat, Sun, 9am-7 Lots of baby, children's & some women's clothes, toys, books, household & more. \$

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18 Business Opportunities

FREE PREGNANCY TEST Caring and confidential assistance. 258-1800

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TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO... JERALD DEWBRE Plaintiff vs. TOMMY A. JONES, THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF TOMMY A. JONES, KATHRYN JONES and STATE OF NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, Defendant.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE is given that the real property described below in Lincoln County, New Mexico, will be sold to the highest bidder for cash or certified funds on Wednesday, February 16, 2000 at 9:30 a.m. on the premises of the Lincoln County Courthouse, 300 Central, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301.

LEGAL NOTICE

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PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME

WHEREFORE, Petitioner requests that the Court enter its order without a hearing. Upon filing the notice of petition with proof of publication thereof, and if no sufficient cause is shown to the contrary, that the Court enter its order legally changing the Petitioner's legal name from KEVIN REES GARNER to KEVIN REES MCGWRIGHT.

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INVITATION FOR BIDS

NOTICE is hereby given that the Village of Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, calls for sealed bids for One (1) Road Marking Machine.

LEGAL NOTICE

for the Village of Ruidoso Street Department. Interested bidders may secure a copy of the specifications from the Purchasing Agent at the Village of Ruidoso Centralized Purchasing Warehouse, 421 Wingfield, Ruidoso, New Mexico or by phoning (505) 257-2721.

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ELECTION NOTICE

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NOTICIA DE ELECCION PUEBLO DE RUIDOSO, NUEVO MEXICO
ELECCION DE BONOS DE OBLIGACION GENERAL SE LEVANTA A CABO EL MARTES, 7 DE MARZO DEL 2000

NOTICIA PUBLICA ES AQUIDADA que en una eleccion de bonos de obligacion general que se llevara a cabo en conjunto con la eleccion municipal regular en el Pueblo de Ruidoso, Nuevo Mexico, (siguiendo como el "Pueblo"), el martes, 7 de marzo del 2000, la siguiente pregunta sera sometida a los electores registrados y calificados del Pueblo para votar (y para los "electores municipales que no son residentes" del Condado de Lincoln, mas completamente explicado en lo siguiente).

Bonos del Centro Comunitario Debera expedir el Pueblo de Ruidoso hasta \$6,000,000 de Bonos de Obligacion General para construir, equipar y mejorar el centro comunitario el cual sera localizado en los Campos de Recreacion White Mountain en Hull Road y el cual debe incluir una alberca recreacional cubierta accesible para personas minusvalidas con vestidores y armarios; un cuarto dedicado a las actividades de los jovenes; una facilidad de un cuarto con varias recreaciones y funciones comunitarias; una pista de caminar cubierta con uso durante todo tipo clima de 1/16 de milla; y oficinas administrativas para el departamento de parques y recreacion?

Los lugares de votacion para la eleccion se abiran a las 7:00 a.m. y se cerraran a las 7:00 p.m. en el mismo dia. Los recintos seran consolidados y los electores (excepto votantes en ausencia, votantes por anticipado y electores municipales que no son residentes) deberan votar en los lugares de votacion localizados en el recinto consolidado en el cual el o ella vive. Los lugares de votacion para cada recinto consolidado seran los siguientes:

1. Los votantes en los recintos consolidados 6, 8, y 10, votaran en el Centro de Convenciones de Ruidoso, 111 Sierra Blanca Drive, Ruidoso, Nuevo Mexico.
2. Los votantes en los recintos consolidados 7 y 9 votaran en el Centro de Convenciones de Ruidoso, 111 Sierra Blanca Drive, Ruidoso, Nuevo Mexico.
3. Los votantes que no son residentes votaran en la oficina de la Escribana Municipal, 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, Nuevo Mexico.
4. Los votantes en ausencia y los votantes en ausencia que no son residentes votaran en la oficina de la Escribana Municipal, 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, Nuevo Mexico.
5. Los votantes por anticipado y los votantes por anticipado que no son residentes votaran en la oficina de la Escribana Municipal, 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, Nuevo Mexico.

6. Los votantes por anticipado que no son residentes votaran en la oficina de la Escribana Municipal, 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, Nuevo Mexico. Ninguna boleta para votar en la eleccion de bonos se recibira por el cuerpo de recintos a menos de que, en el dia de eleccion, la persona ofreciendo votar sea un elector registrado y calificado del Pueblo o un elector municipal que no es residente que este registrado y calificado segun se provee en este documento. Un elector municipal registrado que no es residente, significa cualquier persona que, en el dia de eleccion, es un elector calificado y registrado del Condado de Lincoln, pero quien es un residente de la porcion del Condado de Lincoln que se encuentra en las afueras de los limites municipales del Pueblo de Ruidoso, quien a pagado un impuesto predialista en el territorio del Pueblo de Ruidoso durante el ano anterior de la eleccion, y quien a archivado un certificado de elegibilidad en la oficina de la Escribana Municipal anunciando la intencion de la persona para votar en la eleccion en la pregunta de crear un centro comunitario.

Los libros de registro del Condado de Lincoln se cerraran por la Escribana del Condado a las 5:00 p.m. el martes, 8 de febrero del 2000. Cualquier persona elegible de otra manera para votar como un elector calificado o un elector municipal calificado que no es residente y no registrado actualmente, puede registrarse antes de ese tiempo en la oficina de la Escribana del Condado, Corte de Condado de Lincoln, Carrizozo, Nuevo Mexico, o en la oficina de cualquier asistente oficial de registro que este disponible. Un elector municipal que no es residente tambien debe archivar un certificado de elegibilidad con la Escribana Municipal no mas que sesenta ni menos que quince dias antes de la fecha de la eleccion, por ejemplo, en o despues del 7 de enero del 2000, pero a mas tardar el 21 de febrero del 2000.

La votacion por anticipado se llevara a cabo en la oficina de la Escribana de la Municipalidad durante las horas y dias habituales de lunes a viernes. La votacion por anticipado empezara el miercoles, 16 de febrero del 2000 y terminara a las 5:00 p.m. el viernes, 3 de marzo del 2000. Votacion en ausencia sera validada segun autorizada por elCodigo Municipal de Eleccion, segun cambiado y reemplazado. Solicitudes para obtener las boletas para votar en ausencia se pueden obtener en la oficina de la Escribana Municipal, Oficinas Administrativas del Pueblo, 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, Nuevo Mexico, pero a las 8:00 p.m. del jueves, 2 de marzo del 2000 la Escribana Municipal, requerida por ley, destruira las boletas para votar en ausencia no utilizadas, las solicitudes completas deben ser entregadas a la Escribana Municipal antes de ese tiempo.

EN TESTIMONIO DONDE, el cuerpo gobernante del Pueblo de Ruidoso, Nuevo Mexico, a causado que esta noticia sea fechada el 30 de noviembre de 1999, y que sea publicada segun requerido por ley.

PUEBLO DE RUIDOSO, NUEVO MEXICO
 Por /s/Tammie J. Maddox, Escribana Municipal
 2555 41(1)14,21,28(2)4

LEGAL NOTICE

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, STATE OF NEW MEXICO, COUNTY OF LINCOLN, RANCHO RUIDOSO CONDOMINIUM OWNER'S ASSOCIATION, INC., a New Mexico non-profit corporation, Plaintiff,

HIPOLITO ACEVEDO LIMAS and ELISA HERNANDEZ de ACEVEDO,
 IRMA M. ARAGON MORELLI and UNKNOWN SPOUSE, PATRICIA ARAGON MORELLI and UNKNOWN SPOUSE, RICHARD C. BIGELOW and SANDRA M. BIGELOW, CHARLES S. BUCKINGHAM and SANDRA L. BUCKINGHAM, DR. RAMIRO CORREA MACIEL and MARIA DE LA LUZ SANCHEZ de CORREA, LUIS A. CUELLAR and UNKNOWN SPOUSE, MATTHEW S. DYE and ROBIN V. DYE, GEORGE W. GILSTRAP, CLARA HENDERSON AS TRUSTEE OF THE CLARA HENDERSON REVOCABLE TRUST, ROBERT A. GRAJALES and UNKNOWN SPOUSE, LANDON D. GROTE and J. JODIE DUFEK-GROTE, DOROTHY L. KELLY, EXECUTRIX OF THE ESTATE OF RUBY M. LAMAR, a/k/a RUBY M. LAMAR, deceased, and her UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND ASSIGNS, ETHWELL F. LAMAR, if living, and if deceased, THE ESTATE OF ETHWELL F. LAMAR and his UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND ASSIGNS, JAY A. LEEK and JANIE F. LEEK, ROMAN A. LUERAS and wife, LINDA LUERAS, and MARIILYN NOLAN and UNKNOWN SPOUSE,

ROGER K. SALISBURY and BELINDA M. SALISBURY, PATSY SLATE and UNKNOWN SPOUSE, and MALCOLM R. MADERA and UNKNOWN SPOUSE, Defendants.

SPECIAL MASTER'S SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on February 8, 2000, at 10:00 A.M., at the front entrance to the Village of Ruidoso Municipal Complex located at 313 Cree Meadows Drive in Ruidoso, New Mexico, the undersigned Special Master will sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash, all right, title and interest of the following named Defendants in and to the following described properties of the Rancho Ruidoso Condominium Owners Association, Inc. A New Mexico non-profit corporation, located on Little Creek Road in Alto, New Mexico, pursuant to the following judgment liens:

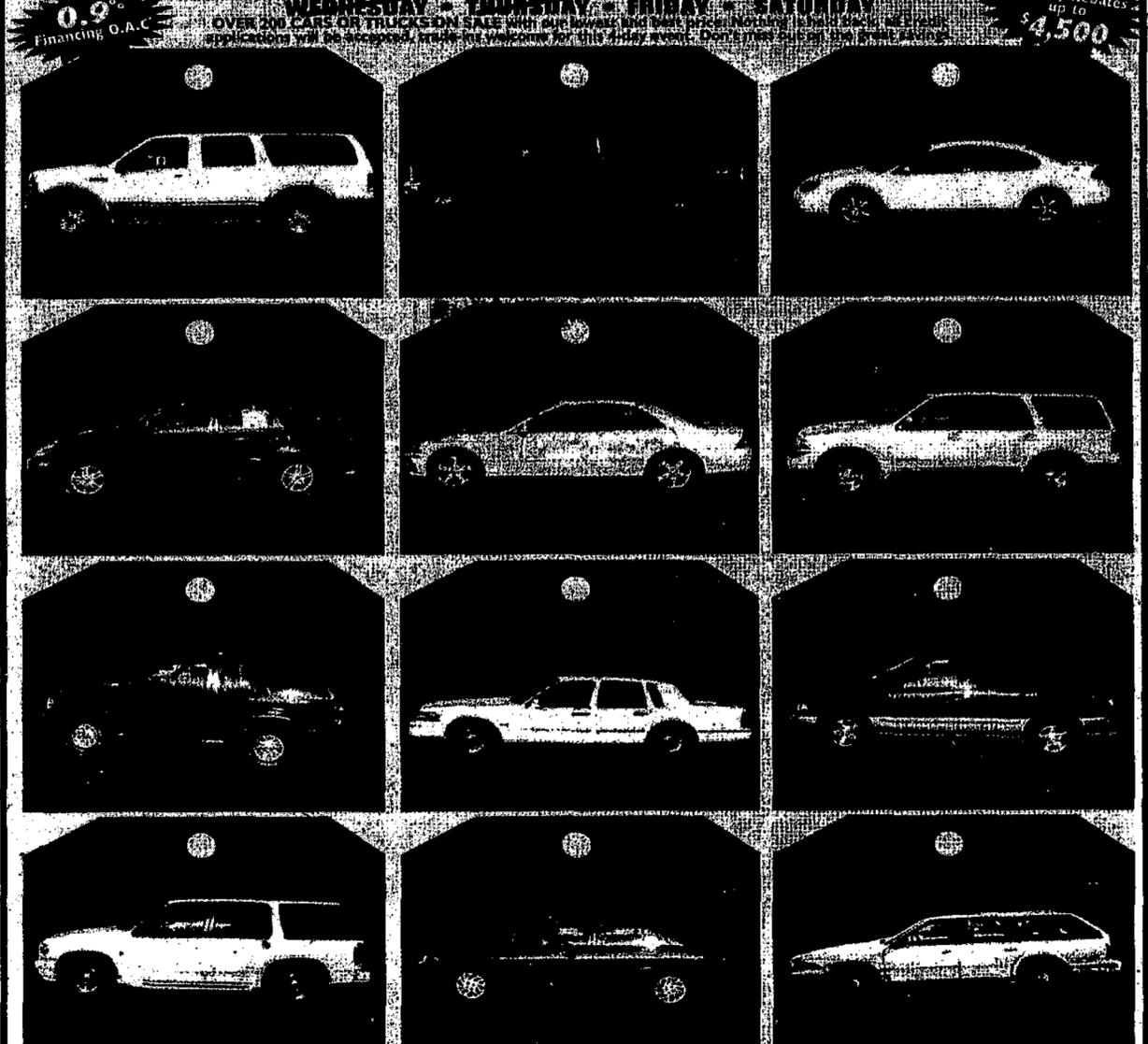
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- c) Charles S. Buckingham and Sandra L. Buckingham, husband and wife, jointly and severally 1/52nd fractional interest in Unit 07 restricted to Blue/White Season Maintenance Fees \$1,130.47 Attorney's Fees and Costs 410.14
- d) Dr. Ramiro Correa Maciel and Maria de la Luz Sanchez de Correa, husband and wife, jointly and severally 1/52nd fractional interest in Unit 20, restricted to the Red/Summer Season Maintenance Fees \$985.88 Attorney's Fees and Costs 410.14
- e) Roman A. Lueras and Debbie L. Lueras, husband and wife, jointly and severally 1/52 fractional interest in Unit 05 restricted to the Red/Winter Season Maintenance Fees \$1,296.02 Attorney's Fees and Costs 410.14
- f) Jay A. Leek and Janie F. Leek, husband and wife, jointly and severally 1/52 fractional interest in Unit 12 restricted to the Red/Winter Season Maintenance Fees \$865.88 Attorney's Fees and Costs 410.14
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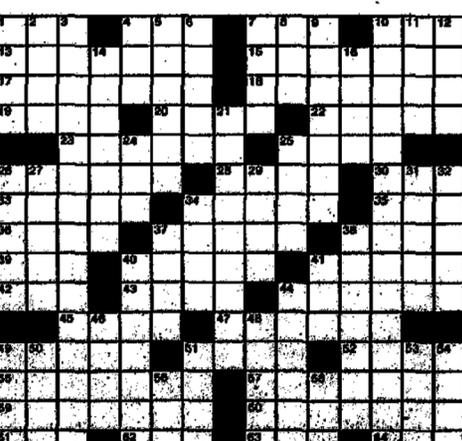
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Looking Back

Jan. 20, 1950

Ruidoso Roundup by Mary Nell Barber

Ralph Brown, Bill Hart and Carmon Phillips flew to Colorado and other points to investigate the operation of ski runs on a large scale...

Coke Hedgecock, Wade Hedgecock, Chuck Milligan, Marion Gayton, and Dave Parks took an excursion into White Mountain Park Ski basin last Saturday...and if anyone wants to know how bad the wind was blowing up that near to Baldy they can tell you...

Jan. 22, 1960

Woman's club honors Mrs. R. B. Oberholtzer

The Ruidoso Woman's Club in its meeting Jan. 13 chose Mrs. Ralph Oberholtzer as "Woman of the Month." She always gives generously of her time and means to many worthwhile projects.

The club voted to have a tea on Feb. 14 to honor all past presidents who are still active members... Mrs. Tom Rigby, Mrs. George McCarty, Mrs. Ike Kennedy, Mrs. Ernestine Sheill, Mrs. Cy Leland Sr. and Mrs. Melvin Knox...

Jan. 23, 1970

Alto Village acquires High Mesa Ranch acreage

Plans for completion of the second nine holes of the proposed 18-hole Alto Lakes Golf and Country Club are moving nearer completion, according to Don Blaugrund, president and developer of Alto Village...

Said Blaugrund, "In keeping with our planned timetable for expansion of the present nine-hole course, Alto Lakes and Country Club is seeking one of the country's leading golf course designers...Robert Trent Jones and Associates...to design and construct the second nine."

Jan. 24, 1980

The Silver Lining by Daniel Agnew Storm

It was good to see so many friends and loved ones at the services of our beloved friend, Mayme Coe Perry. Mayme was called home by our Lord at the home of her daughter, Mayme Jane Stout, at Phoenix, Arizona, on January 17...

Mayme was the daughter of the beloved pioneer couple George W. Coe and Phoebe Brown Coe. On July 29, 1912, she married Elzy Perry... They raised four daughters and six sons, all of whom were reared at the home ranch in Glencoe... The Perrys were among the very first people we met when we came to the vale in 1925. The Storm boys picked apples for Mayme and Elzy Perry that fall, and through the years the Storm and Perry families became fond friends...

Jan. 25, 1990

No. 1 Grizzlies end Tigers' streak; Lady Cats win easily

The Carrizozo Grizzlies came to Capitan Tuesday to continue one of the oldest rivalries in the state.

"When Carrizozo and Capitan play it's always exciting," said Carrizozo boys head coach Ron Becker. The Lady Tigers came away with a handsome defeat of Carrizozo, but both boys teams lost, ending a three-game winning streak for the Tiger varsity team...

She was raised by a grandmother, begged for a college scholarship, fought the establishment to become a legislator, taught thousands of children, and now, as superintendent of the Hondo Valley Schools...

Barbara Casey is having a grand ol' time

BY SANDY SUGGITT
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

HONDO — Barbara Perea-Casey — 26 years a teacher, 12 years a state legislator, and for the last four years, superintendent of Hondo Valley Schools — laughs as she recalls her struggles and her satisfactions.

On her first teaching day at Goddard High School in Roswell she was kicked out of the faculty lounge — because she was only 21 and looked younger than most of her students.

But she'd been teaching Spanish at Highland University in Las Vegas for three years before applying for teaching positions all over the state. Goddard hired her, even though she had no teaching certificate and had never taken education courses (she received her teaching certificate during that summer).

"March 18, 1974, was my first day at work. It was a Wednesday. The kids thought I was another student," Casey said.

Casey has at least two marks of distinction to her career as an educator: she's the "longest-lived" superintendent of the Hondo Valley Schools in 15 years (all others were fired after six months), and she served for 12 years in the New Mexico Legislature while she was teaching for the Roswell schools.

When Casey was hired as superintendent in 1996, the State Department of Education mandated that the district give the superintendent a two-year contract — or else it wouldn't get an operating budget.

Until then, the school board would not allow the superintendent to pay bills on time or spend bond money for repairs, resulting in overdue penalties to the district.

"I finally called the state superin-

tendent and said 'I'm not allowed to do my job without going over the board's head.' He said 'Do what you need to do.'

"By April the board was ready to fire me and by June the state superintendent came to the board meeting when they were going to fire me. Three of the five (board members) resigned, there was no board from June to October, and the State Board of Education took applications for board members ... and chose the board for me."

Uphill all the way

Casey said she's had to fight for everything she's achieved from the beginning.

Her sisters had all quit school to get married, and her father told her she had to go to college. He died when she was 15, and that same year her mother lost her job at a parachute factory.

"We lived on \$77 a month in 1967," Casey said. "It was tough. Then I found myself with no money to go to school, and I was devastated."

When she graduated from high school in Las Vegas, there were five scholarships available, and six people, including Casey, applied. She was the one who didn't receive a scholarship, and she came home and cried. But her grandmother didn't have time for tears and urged her to fight for a scholarship.

So she sat into the office of the president of New Mexico Highlands University without an appointment, hour after hour, until finally she was invited in. She told him that she had good grades and would really work hard in school.

The president gave her a scholar-

"Everything we do should be focused on how it's going to affect the children. Period."

Barbara Casey
Superintendent, Hondo Valley Schools



Superintendent Casey, in shades, doing what she loves best: Educating.

Sandy Suggitt/Ruidoso News

ship and she received National Teaching Fellowships through the Spanish Department, racing through school because each year she wasn't sure she'd get another scholarship. She finished her bachelor's and master's degrees in three years, and at age 19, she was hired to teach Spanish at Highlands University, to students who were older than she was.

After three years there, she was asked to teach Chicano studies, but she wanted to teach Spanish, so she began interviewing for other teaching jobs, and eventually, was hired in Roswell.

Casey taught at Goddard High School for 19 years—and during 12 of those years, she also served as a legislator.

A state legislator

Before running for election the first time in September of 1984, she worked with community members who were filing suit against Gov. Bruce King and the legislature for gerrymandering districts.

"The federal courts ruled in the people's favor and new legislative districts were created," Casey said. "We were looking for a candidate to run for the new district, and a teacher I met with the community committee suggested I run."

Casey beat her principal opponent, Michael Kelly, an oil man.

"He had a lot of money and was well-known and I was a lowly teacher," she said. "I had gone to the Democratic Party for help, but they supported him. I ran anyway as a

Democrat in the primary and won. It was pretty much a grass-roots effort. They (the Democratic Party) were surprised I beat him."

Casey asked the school board for permission to run.

"The principal laughed at me, said I'd never make it ... and the board felt the same way," she said. "When I won I was stunned."

She won that election and all the rest through her 12 years with the legislature, but it took the Roswell School Board eight years to create a policy for a person to serve in the legislature.

"I went to the legislature every year and lost pay and had to pay for a substitute for all 12 years that I was there," Casey said. "It was a credit union that kept me afloat: I borrowed money to live through the session."

"It cost me a fortune. I didn't paint the house or buy a vehicle for 12 years, but I loved my work."

Casey served because she loved being able to help. People came to her house to ask for help in getting through the red tape. Some had relatives in prison, some were hungry, and some needed help with child care.

"Whatever was bothering them, they called me up and asked for help. ... I'd help bury their dead, feed their animals — whatever they needed — and I enjoyed it, I really loved it," Casey said. "I love being able to help."

Casey's major accomplishments

See CASEY, page 4C

At lasting gift in the heart of Lincoln

Lincoln still is enjoying the beautiful wreaths and ristras, courtesy of Jane Terrell. She quietly put them up for the Christmas holidays on the various businesses, museums and homes. Thank you, Jane. Hope you are feeling better.

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Maness, gave a lovely tribute to Janice Herd. Following the meeting was the installation of officers by Inez Marrs.

The Lincoln County FCE

held their planning meeting in Carrizozo last week. They have planned a busy year. The programs will include the "Casa" Christmas project again, literacy, making the "Ouch dolls" for the hospital, stress management, a Flag Day picnic, herb planting and uses, and several crafts projects.

Coming activities to be thinking about are the annual Cultural Arts — both county and district. The mid-year board meeting is March 15-16 in Albuquerque.

Other dates to remember are the Ag Fest by the agricultural organizations Feb. 3 at the Sweeney Center, Santa Fe. The Farm Bureau breakfast will be on the morning of Feb. 4.

Betty Shrecengost has returned from her travel to Albuquerque to visit the Bert Shrecengost family then on to Scottsdale, Ariz., to visit her daughter and husband, Dick and Susie Kuris.

Herman McArthur is enjoy-

ing his retirement. He is like the rest of the retirees; there seems to be so many things that need to be done.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman McArthur visited her father Carl Tennis in San Antonio and her sister Patti Flynn and husband in Port Aransas, Texas. Pattie and her husband still have their restaurant, "Mesquite," in Portland, Texas.

The Episcopal Church held its annual meeting in Ruidoso Sunday. Pam McArthur gave the vestry report for San Juan's chapel. Betty Shrecengost was elected convention delegate alternate.

The leadership for the Episcopal church of Lincoln County, Vestry and the convention delegates and their spouses will have a luncheon at the Casa de Patron Feb. 2.

The FCE members were notified that one of their state board members, Andrea Cox of Dora, underwent triple bypass surgery in Lubbock Friday.

WEDDINGS ENGAGEMENTS

Lamb/Murrell

Former Ruidoso residents Wendy Lamb and C. R. "Buzzy" Murrell were married Oct. 30, 1999, in Las Cruces.

Wendy is the daughter of Vic and Joan Lamb, editors and publishers of the Ruidoso News during the 1950s and 1960s. Buzzy, a native of Kenna and Roswell, was manager of Ski Apache (then Sierra Blanca Ski Area) during the early 1960s when it was owned and operated by Robert O. Anderson.

The two became acquainted in 1963 when Wendy worked at the ski area. They shared an affection for each other, but lost touch when Wendy went off to college and Buzzy moved away to pursue a career in banking.

After 35 years they were reacquainted by chance in October, 1998, when Wendy made a



Mr. & Mrs. C. R. Murrell.

Courtesy

phone call to an office in Santa Fe inquiring about financing.

It was a very surprised and delighted Buzzy Murrell who answered the telephone that day.

They now make their home at Cochiti Lake, between Albuquerque and Santa Fe.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Four new sales people join Coldwell Banker

Four new sales associates have been added to the ranks of Coldwell Banker SDC Realtors in Ruidoso and Alto.

Frankie Comeaux brings 23 years of experience from her previous real estate employment. She and her husband recently moved from Houston, Texas, to Ruidoso.

Another Texas addition to the staff is Jackie Buckland, who has been an active Realtor for 10 years. She and her husband hail from Snyder, Texas.

Marvilee Kissling comes to Ruidoso from Albuquerque, where she had worked for the Department of Defense. Her husband is forming a new company in Ruidoso, Kissling General Contracting.

A former New Zealander, Kristy Moore, is the fourth addition to the Coldwell Banker SDC sales staff. She recently married Brian Moore, a technician with Charter Communications (new operator of the Ruidoso-area cable TV system.)

Event focuses on trade with Mexico

New Mexico businesses, looking to export to Mexico for the first time, or to expand their export market, can learn how, during a three-day trade show in Monterrey, Mexico, March 7-9.

The New Mexico Economic Development Department says the show, called REPCOM 2000, is an inexpensive way to begin learning how the export market works.

Two days of one-on-one pre-qualified appointments with potential representatives, distributors or joint venture partners will be a part of the trade show.

The Economic Development Department notes there are a number of products in demand in Northern Mexico.

Businesses interested in the export market can learn more about the trade show and register for the event by contacting the New Mexico Economic Development Department, (505) 827-0300.

Domenici says new budget doesn't tap into Social Security

LAS CRUCES — The chairman of the Senate Budget Committee, Pete Domenici, R-NM, has released the text of the correspondence he sent to Majority Leader Trent Lott outlining likely new budget figures that show not one penny of Social Security funding will be used this year for federal government expenditures.

Domenici will provide a full briefing to his Senate colleagues this week on the figures.

The fundamental purpose of the letter is to show that the federal budget surplus will be larger than originally estimated and that no Social Security funds will have been spent in FY 2000 for any other purpose

than to support that important program — as Domenici pledged in the budget resolution he produced last year.

Domenici's assessment was covered by the Associated Press and in a front-page *Washington Post* article, his office said.

"New Mexicans should be heartened by the fact that when the new budget estimates are released, they will show that we kept our commitment to protect Social Security funds," Domenici said.

"This is a positive, new dynamic for America, and I expect it to guide our discussions as we begin the FY 2001 budget process."

Senator backs improvements at state's two border crossings

COLUMBUS — U.S. Sen. Pete Domenici Friday pledged to step up efforts to bring more federal resources to the ports of entry at Columbus and Santa Teresa to ensure both border crossings are improved to meet growing international traffic and trade.

Domenici and U.S. Customs Service Commissioner Raymond Kelly toured facilities at Columbus and Santa Teresa, and met with local, state and regional officials to assess the needs at New Mexico's ports of entry and along the entire Southwest border.

Domenici, chairman of the Senate Budget Committee, said he will be vigilant in ascertaining needed resources for the Southwest border—beyond those to be included in President Clinton's budget, which will be sent to Congress in early February.

"The potential for economic growth at both Columbus and Santa Teresa is great, but federal border resources must be used to the maximum benefit. There is evidence that we can use more easy-access cargo bays and inspection services so traffic and goods can be more easily processed and moved along," Domenici said. "Also, port facilities must have the most up-to-date technologies to keep pace with increasing border trade."

"I look forward to seeing the president's budget and working this year to secure the funding needed to make the New Mexico ports of entry more receptive to international trade and tourism," he said. "I am also interested in using our national laboratories and other resources to bring the best technological advancements to the border crossings, both to

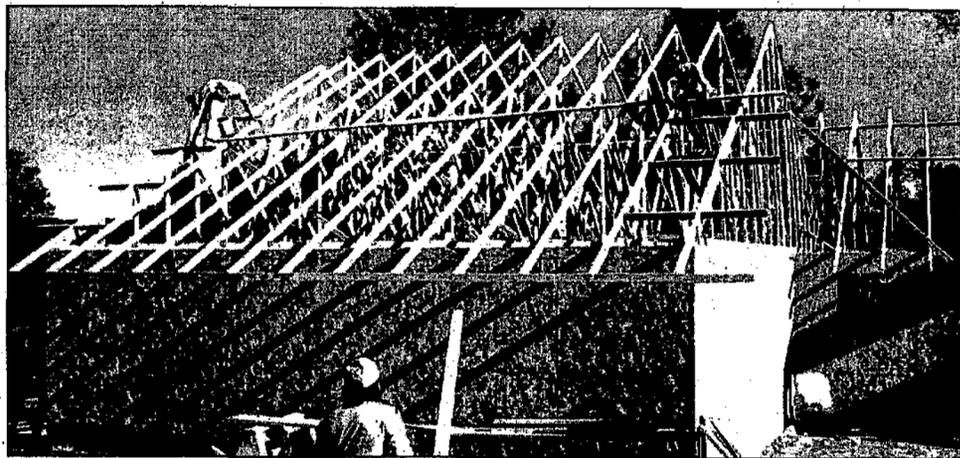
facilitate trade and inhibit contraband from entering the country."

Among other things, Domenici said he would try again to win funding to improve dock space at the Columbus border crossing. Commercial truck traffic has more than doubled at Columbus in the past five years, from almost 2,400 crossings in 1995 to nearly 5,200 last year. Total vehicle crossings increased from 327,590 to 377,587 during that same period.

Domenici is a member of the Treasury and General Government Appropriations Subcommittee that has wide-ranging funding jurisdiction over the Customs Service and border-related projects. Last year, he was instrumental in gaining \$7.85 million for a new Border Patrol facility at Santa Teresa, in addition to \$367,000 for border fencing and \$1 million for a border development and deployment center.

For Columbus, Domenici gained a \$1 million transportation appropriation to help fund a road realignment to clear traffic congestion at the border crossing.

Domenici sought the funding because there is currently only one lane of traffic for both commercial and private vehicles coming to and from Mexico, leading to congestion problems. Since becoming law however, the state of New Mexico has balked at requesting the funding which requires a 25 percent non-federal match. Because the funding was approved specifically for the Columbus project, it cannot be transferred. If unused, it would revert to the federal border corridor transportation program.



William Abott and Justin Reel frame roof trusses for sub contractor Kendall Price Construction on a new home going up on Hull Road in Ruidoso. The project's general contractor is Don Russell Construction, Inc. of Ruidoso.

MEASURING THE GROWING ECONOMY OF 1999

Ruidoso building boom unabated

BY JAMES KALVELAGE
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Village figures suggest the building industry in Ruidoso took a hit in 1999, but those numbers are misleading, because of a briefly imposed development impact fee.

Home construction in 1999 actually was extremely strong, according to officials with the Lincoln County Homebuilders Association.

Building permit figures from the village indicate the total value of 1999 permitted construction projects was \$36,983,085. In 1998, the number was \$43,385,276, the strongest showing since detailed figures were kept. But approximately 20 percent of the 1998 permitted activity actually took place in 1999.

A key component in the decline in 1999 new construction permits was the Jan. 1, 1999, institution of a village impact fee. The \$4,000 fee prompted many to seek building permits in December of 1998, to beat the fee enactment, according to village officials.

"In December of '98 people were getting permits for structures continually," said Joyce McMath, code enforcement and building inspection assistant for Ruidoso. McMath said many of those homes were built in 1999, and some were never started.

A total of 46 single-family structures were permitted in December of 1998, the most ever for a single month. Later in 1999 the impact fee was rescinded.

The 139 building permits issued in 1999 for single family home construc-

tion totaled \$23,287,565. The year before, 191 permits represented \$28,168,857 in new single family home values. The average value of new home construction reached \$167,536, according to the figures.

The value of permits for new commercial construction in 1999 was \$2,525,139, about half the level of 1998. Building permits for commercial endeavors also fell, more than 50 percent, to ten permits.

"It was a very good year," Shamie Mills, president of the Lincoln County Homebuilders Association, said of 1999 home construction. "It was a very good year for most of our members."

Mills feels the permit numbers from Ruidoso only represent a part of the home building business. "There isn't a lot of buildable land left in Ruidoso. Most of the viable land is getting farther out of Ruidoso," Mills said construction is growing notably in Capitan, the Ranches of Ruidoso, Alto and the Ranches of Sonterra.

The home builders association's immediate past president, John VanTussenbroek, felt the building boom will continue. "Everything I look at tells me Ruidoso is a number one retirement location. I've heard the predictions are the area will triple in population over the next five years."

VanTussenbroek said other retirement and resort areas in the west are seeing home building costs reach to \$400 per square foot.

In Ruidoso, a modest dwelling can

be constructed for \$85 to \$90 per square foot.

"Our price is so much lower than other resort areas. People come here and find out what a bargain it is, and this is where they want to be," VanTussenbroek said.

Mills, though, worries about the type of homes being built. Many, she said, are for retirees and are beyond the price range of many families.

"In the long run, it's not good for Ruidoso," Mills said. "If we don't make affordable housing available for common, everyday workers, then Ruidoso is going to peak out and dead end."

Mills felt over the last seven years there has been little in the way of housing constructed for families.

While issued permits for new homes and businesses fell last year, remodeling and additions permits soared, for both existing homes and commercial buildings. Both reached new highs in 1999.

The value of single family structure alterations or additions was \$4.9 million. Commercial alterations or additions totaled \$1.9-million.

The numbers, from the village's planning and zoning department, represent activity both inside Ruidoso's village limits, and within a three-mile extra-territorial zone around the village, over which the village has jurisdiction.

The overall number of 1999 building permits issued by Ruidoso was 1,095, the first time the village has topped the 1,000 level.

"It was a very good year for most of our members."

Shamie Mills,
Home builders association
president

Key economic indicators for the new year

BY SUNG WON SOHN
CHIEF ECONOMIST, WELLS FARGO

The giddy millennium party is over. Y2K, holiday e-commerce and year-end stock market euphoria are all behind us. It was exciting and fun while it lasted. Now it's back to the nitty-gritty business of monitoring the pulse of the broader economy. Which indicators will matter most in 2000? Those that the Fed has its eye on.

Headline Inflation: Markets will be governed above all else by how inflation behaves. The New Economy argument of fast growth without inflation will be more severely tested in 2000. The Fed is running a neutral policy by keeping real interest rates near 3.0 percent. At the very least, it will have to match inflation's path.

Gross domestic product (GDP): The Fed may not be content to merely track inflation. Greenspan has more years ahead of him now. He

would lose his godlike stature if he refrains from being pre-emptive. As long as GDP growth remains above its long-term potential, short-term rates will keep getting notched higher.

Productivity: More output per hour has raised the bar on the economy's long-term potential. But a slowing economy without a similar slowing of hours worked will cap the recent advance in productivity. If it falls below its new long-term average, that will not be fast enough to prevent a reemergence of inflation.

Unemployment: While the pool of available labor is the latest in a line of obscure indicators to capture attention, the good old fashioned jobless rate still provides a better read on labor market tightness. It is far less volatile, and easier to interpret each month. The jobless rate also remains the best predictor of consumer confi-

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dence and spending over long periods. If joblessness falls, interest rates will rise.

Global output growth: Bottlenecks have not yet formed to push inflation up. Goods are increasingly traded globally. If world growth gets too strong, capacity could easily become too tight and inflationary pressures will build. A rise in commodity prices will be the first sign. Markets ignored these prices last time they rose because inflation did not follow. But that was before labor markets were drum-tight.

The dollar: Helping to keep fast growth from causing inflation has been a rising dollar that lowered imported goods prices. The dollar has managed to remain strong, so its effect on prices is now neutral. But a huge trade deficit puts the U.S. more at the mercy of foreign investors. If they reduce their allocations suddenly, it will show up first in currency values. Then import prices could take

off, pressuring inflation.

Stocks and bonds in synch

All last year major stock market indexes kept rising despite a pronounced rise in interest rates. With core inflation under control and strong economic growth persisting, investors opted to trade bonds for stocks, rather than flood or flee them both.

Simultaneously, even though the supply of Treasuries shrank, the supply of stocks also contracted. Skyrocketing earnings also helped make the case for stocks over bonds.

This year, stock and bond prices could move in concert again. Earnings growth will not be as strong now that companies have tougher year-ago comparisons to match.

If the economy slows, bond prices will rally; falling yields will then provide a boost to the stock market. If inflation takes off, the opposite will happen.

Bond yields will keep rising and stocks will finally top out. The performance of 1999 is unlikely.

CASEY: Her family includes a pot-bellied pig

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in the legislature include "a lot of brick and mortar" for the county, bringing in money for schools and infrastructure, new roads and water lines.

She also pushed the Gun-free Schools Act and the Dena-Lynn Gore Law. The latter changed the state statute and constitution so that people convicted of violent crimes could no longer be released on bail (after a 9 year old Artesia girl was kidnapped, raped, murdered and buried in the desert).

"Her mother came to me and asked me to change the law," Casey said. "It took me two years to get that done. I went to meetings all over the state, and it was a lot of work to change the state constitution."

Casey and five other women lobbied the legislature and the voters, raised money for bumper stickers, talked on the radio and to various civic organizations all over the state, and the law was changed.

Another accomplishment was the Enterprise Zone Act, which allows government entities or an Indian tribe to give incentives to businesses wanting to relocate in the area. It took her eight years to get that through the legislature, she said.

Casey introduced the Public School Code, which would change the law to stop social promotion (to pass a failing student). Parents who insist on moving their child up to the next grade are allowed to do so, Casey said. She tried to change it for six years and wasn't able to do it.

She also got teachers a half-hour duty-free lunch and raised the annual minimum wage for teachers to \$18,000.

But these are only a few of the thousands of pieces of leg-

islation Casey introduced that were signed into law.

A family member

Casey's family consists of her husband, Frank, and her pot-bellied pig, Sweet Pea.

She met her husband at a party when he was taking classes at Eastern New Mexico University in Roswell. When he asked to marry her, she made him ask for her hand from her grandmother, who was 81 at the time.

"For five hours they were there," Casey said. Neither her grandmother nor her husband would tell her what they talked about, but years later, after her grandmother died, Frank told her what transpired.

"He said, 'We played poker and she beat me each time. She took all my money.'"

"She was the driving force in my life," Casey said. "She pushed me to go to school and get good grades. She was very particular and very active. She expected me to be successful, no matter what. ... She taught me to work hard for everything I had."

Casey's childhood was one of hard work — washing floors, chopping wood for the week, filling up coal buckets, ironing underwear and sheets. Even her birth was unique, she said: she was originally thought to be a tumor.

The other member of her family, Sweet Pea, is a four-year-old, 120-pound pot-bellied pig that Casey and her husband flew in from New York during a legislative session.

"She's really smart," Casey said. "She says 'Mama,' she says 'No,' she walks around the house looking for me, and she loves to talk on the phone."

Sweet Pea sleeps with Casey and her husband and has been litter-trained since she was the size of a Coke can at six weeks of age.

"My husband is my biggest fan," Casey said. "He's always been very supportive, and he encourages me all the time — sometimes he pushes. He convinced me to go back to school and get my administrator's certificate."

In 1996, after her husband urged her, she applied for and got the job as superintendent of the Hondo Valley School District. Casey said she enjoyed teaching and it was hard to leave her students in Roswell.

A superintendent of schools

What she likes about being superintendent, she said, is that her office is in the elementary school building and she has contact with young children, which she wouldn't have otherwise.

"I never really worked with elementary kids because they terrify me. ... They come in here and I play with them or they play on the computer. I love the elementary kids," Casey said. "Some of the high school kids are complaining that I don't spend more time over there. Elementary kids are refreshing: they're honest, uninhibited and they're having a grand ol' time."

Casey is very satisfied with her position in Hondo, and thinks of herself as a teacher, first and a superintendent second.

"I love the label 'Superintendent of Hondo Valley Schools,'" Casey said. "It's part of what I am, and that's an educator. I'm still a teacher and always will be."

What she likes best about the job, though, is the children.

"I love the kids. I feel everything we do should be focused on the kids ... the best meals, the best equipment, the best teachers, everything. ... Everything we do should be focused on how it's going to affect the children. Period."

"Because they're my babies. They're precious, even the big ones."

"My husband is my biggest fan."

Barbara Casey, family member

New psychological research focuses on boys in grade school

Popularity reinforces aggression

WASHINGTON — Aggressive, antisocial behavior as an adult doesn't win you many friends, but the same behavior in elementary school can make you one of the most popular kids in school. That's one finding from a new study of 452 fourth-through-sixth-grade boys, which shows that tough, antisocial boys were not only viewed as popular and antisocial by their peers but also by their teachers and themselves.

The study appears in the January issue of *Developmental Psychology*, a journal published by the American Psychological Association (APA).

The findings of the study are important because they show how children are rewarded with popularity for being antisocial. Psychologist Philip C. Rodkin, Ph.D., of Duke University, the study's lead author, along with co-authors Thomas W. Farmer, Ph.D., of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and Ruth Pearl, Ph.D., and Richard Van Acker, Ph.D., of the University of Illinois at Chicago, say the findings are also important because "if some popular children are also antisocial, they may be overlooked in programs (focused mainly on unpopular children) that assist children toward positive developmental outcomes, and they also may have a large and negative influence on their peers."

The study involved boys from 59 classrooms from schools in Chicago and North Carolina. The schools involved included inner-city,

suburban and rural schools. The study found that there were similarities and differences in the typical behavioral profiles of popular African American and European American boys. Most popular boys in both ethnic groups were model children—athletic, cooperative, studious and sociable. However, about a third of very popular children were extremely antisocial.

These boys tended to argue, be disruptive, get into trouble and start fights. African American boys in mostly White classrooms were particularly likely to be antisocial and very popular. This finding, according to the authors, adds to previous research findings that some of the characteristics associated with popularity and status may reflect the values of particular peer cultures. An alternative interpretation is that aggression may be functional for African American children who are socialized in low-income and higher-risk communities.

Dr. Rodkin says the study raises questions of whether high popularity buffers antisocial boys from future adjustment difficulties. For instance, popular antisocial boys may escape many of the risk factors predicted by peer rejection. Conversely, popular antisocial children might be particularly resistant to making necessary lifestyle changes in adolescence if their oppositional behavior has generally been associated with social status and prestige. "These boys may internalize the idea that

aggression, popularity and control naturally go together, and they may not hesitate to use physical aggression as a social strategy because it has always worked in the past," Dr. Rodkin said. "Obviously, there will come a point in these boys' lives when this turns from an adaptive and fun to a lonely and potentially dangerous characteristic."

Although many popular antisocial boys may become lifelong bullies, Dr. Rodkin notes that "society effectively says that some kinds of aggression and rebelliousness are legitimate to express and are culturally rewarded, and some antisocial boys in our study may go this route." For instance, many political leaders, CEOs and supervisors use aggression in a nonviolent way (verbal aggression, manipulation, etc.) to get what they want. "They may not be loved, but they are powerful and have status, prestige and social/professional connections," he adds.

This study only looked at popularity as it applies to boys, but the authors also have evidence that there are substantial gender differences for popularity. Previous studies have shown that even when educated in the same classrooms, preadolescent boys and girls are involved in segregated cultures that can best be described as "separate worlds." They add that future research examining the differences between popular children should consider this.

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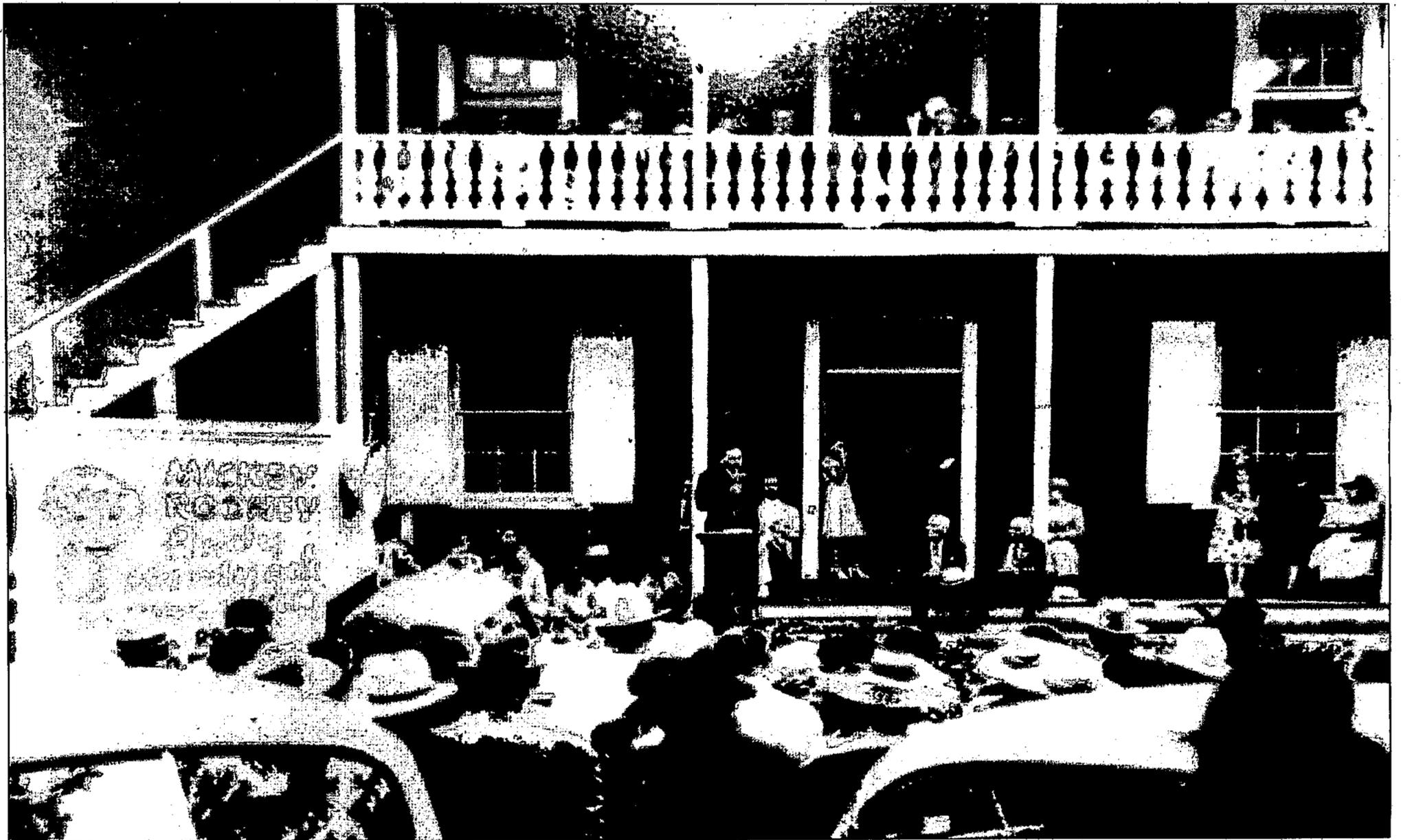
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Once again, it's time to put your Lincoln County Trivia knowledge to the test. The *Ruidoso News*, along with some friends, put these questions together so readers can find out how much they really know about the people, places and events of the area.

The questions range from the distant past to recent years. We will be printing the answers to these brain teasers next week to give readers plenty of time to peruse, ponder, and debate answers with friends and family.

Good Luck!

1. How much time passed between the first death of the Lincoln County War and the last death of the Lincoln County War?
2. In what year did Lincoln lose its status as the county seat?
3. In what year was Ruidoso incorporated?

4. Where was the first limousine service located in the Ruidoso area?
5. Who had a bear tied up near the front of his service station as a tourist attraction?
6. Who established the Ruidoso News?
7. What Ruidoso News publisher at one time ran for governor of New Mexico?
8. Who was the chief of the Mescalero tribe in 1930s and 1940s?
9. What was the name of the first theater in Ruidoso?
10. What was the name of the second theater in Ruidoso?
11. Who was the first night watchman in Ruidoso?
12. When did Ruidoso High School win its first state football championship?
13. What building was "jerked" out of the way of the fire of 1953 to contain a blaze that already had consumed several buildings?
14. Where was the original location of the First Church of Christ in Ruidoso?
15. Where was the First Christian Church originally located?
16. What year did the Ruidoso-Hondo Valley Hospital open?
17. Where was the first chair lift in Ruidoso located?
18. What did the Great Wall Chinese Restaurant used to be?
19. Where was the first stoplight in Ruidoso located?
20. Where was the first 5-pin bowling alley in Ruidoso?
21. What historic barbershop is now a fruit stand located on the south side of Highway 70 in Hondo?
22. Where is the chair from that once-famous barbershop?
23. Where was the first jail in Ruidoso?



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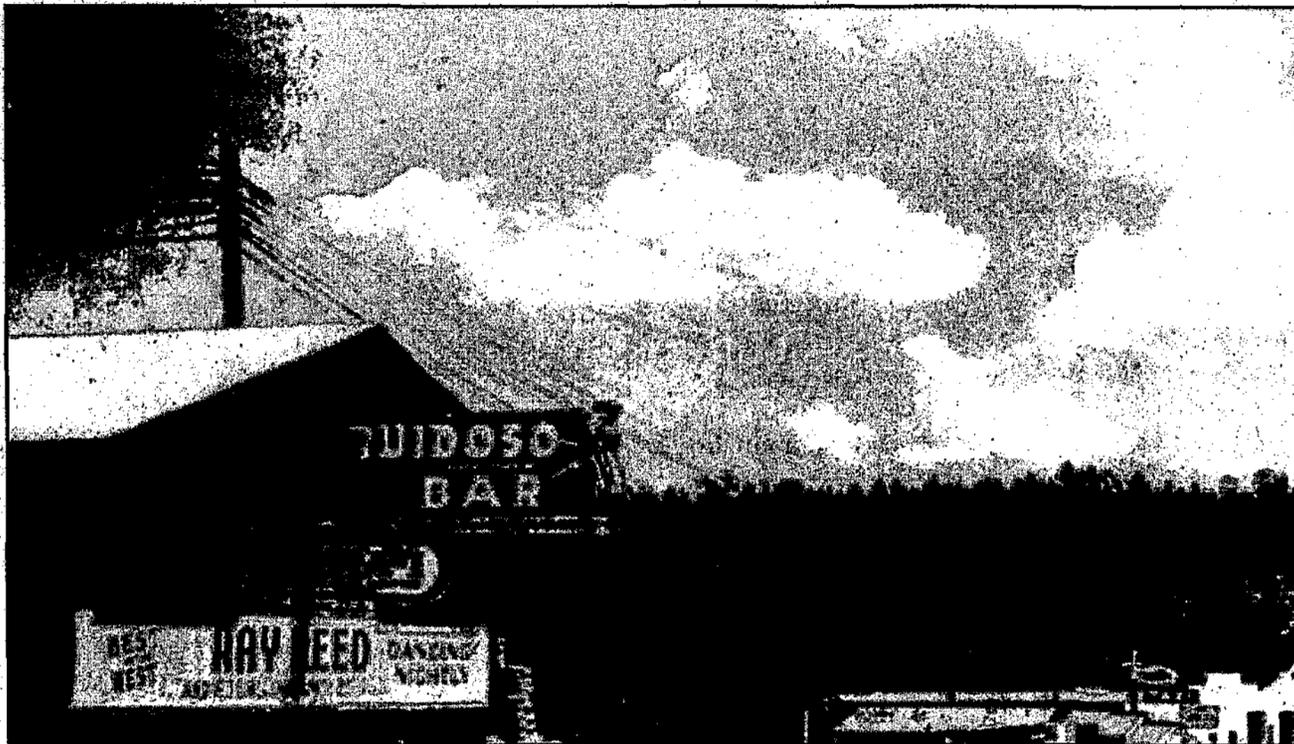
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24. Where was the White Mountain Grocery?

26. Where was the city lumber company located?

25. What was the best finish that the Ruidoso High School basketball team ever had?

27. Who were the owners and operators of that lumber company?

28. Who were the original owners of the Inncredible?

29. Who was the developer of Alto Village?

30. What was Alto Village before it was Alto Village?

31. What was the original use of the building that now houses the Hubbard Museum of the American West?

32. What was originally housed in the current Ruidoso Police Department?

33. What year did Mescalero Apache Tribal President Wendell Chino announce the building of the Inn of the Mountain Gods?

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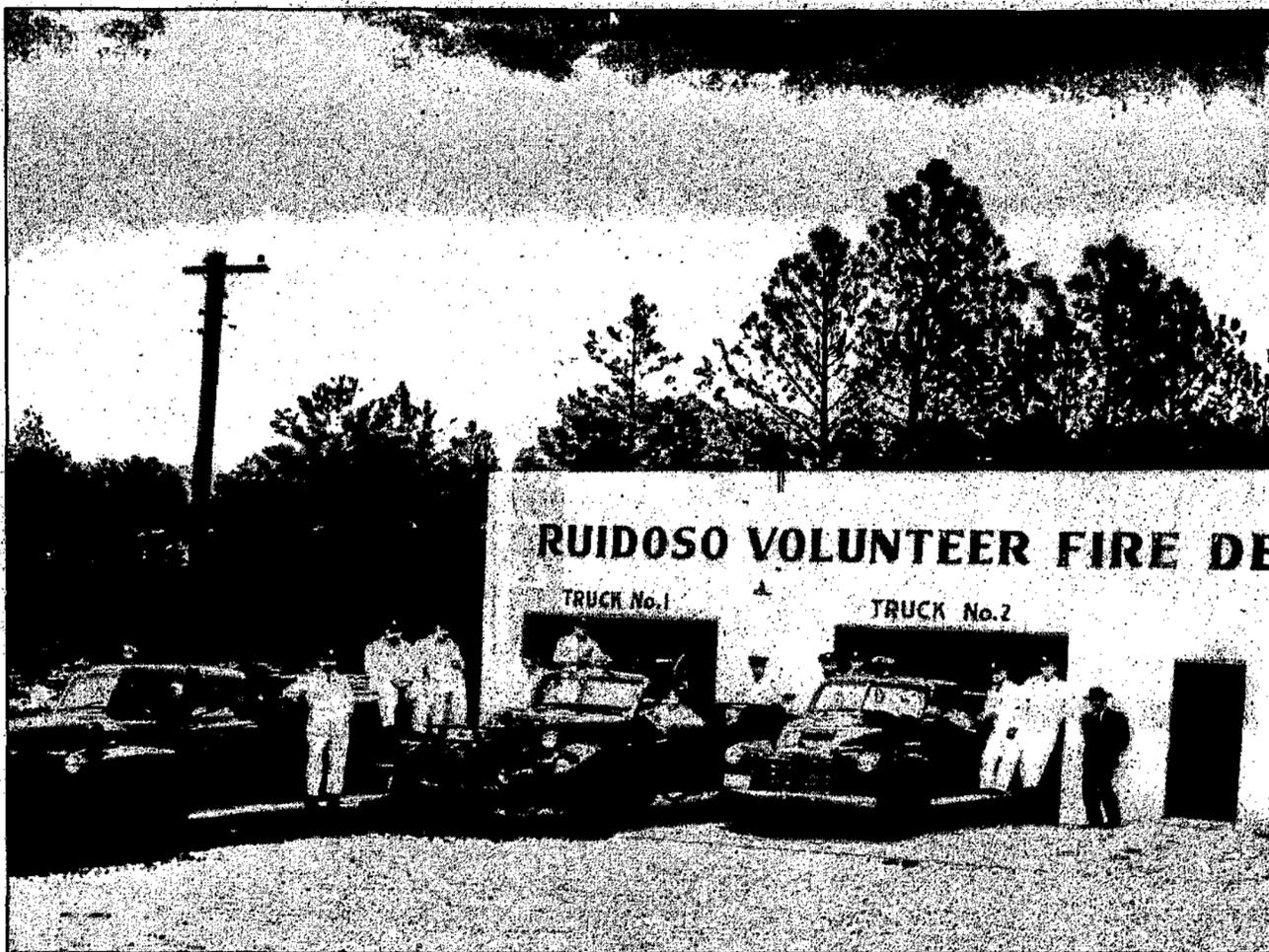


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- 34. Where is the "No Scum Allowed Saloon" located?
- 35. What bar was written up as one of the top 10 "toughest places" in the United States in Life magazine?
- 36. Where was Tiny's Café?
- 37. What was Alamo Pipe & Supply before it became Alamo Pipe & Supply?
- 38. Where was the Taste Freeze located before it moved to its current location?
- 39. Who built the Plaza Dee Shopping Center?
- 40. Who built the original Holiday House?
- 41. What year did Sudderth become a 4-lane drive?
- 42. How many bowling alleys have been in Ruidoso?
- 43. Who is Mechem Drive named after?
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- 45. Where was the picture frame factory located in Ruidoso?
- 46. What church in Ruidoso has had the same pastor for more than 40 years?
- 47. Who composed the Ruidoso High School Warrior fight song?
- 48. In what year did the first class graduate from Ruidoso High School?
- 49. How many state championships has the Ruidoso Warrior golf team won?
- 50. What year was the building that is now White Mountain Intermediate School built?
- 51. What year was White Mountain Elementary School built?
- 52. Who was the first home economics teacher for the Ruidoso School District?
- 53. What former teacher is now in the New Mexico Legislature?
- 54. What year did the current high school open?

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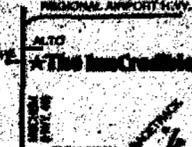



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55. Where did the Ruidoso High School Warriors first play football?

56. Up until 1947, Ruidoso students in grades 1-8 attended county schools. At that time, where did grades 9-12 attend?

57. The oldest elementary school in the Ruidoso High School district is Nob Hill. What year was it built?

58. What is Ruidoso's form of government?

59. Highway 48 runs between what two villages?

60. What's the name of Ruidoso's local hospital?



Ruidoso at the time this photo was taken was simply known as "the little town in the mountains." It had not become "the year-round playground" yet. courtesy the Brunell Collection

61. Who manages the local hospital?

62. What's the name of the local chamber of commerce?

63. What's the county seat of Lincoln County?

64. When was the first Ruidoso Post office established?

65. Where was the first golf course in Ruidoso located?

66. In what year did U.S. postal authorities change the name of Palo Verde to "Green Tree," which upset many local residents?

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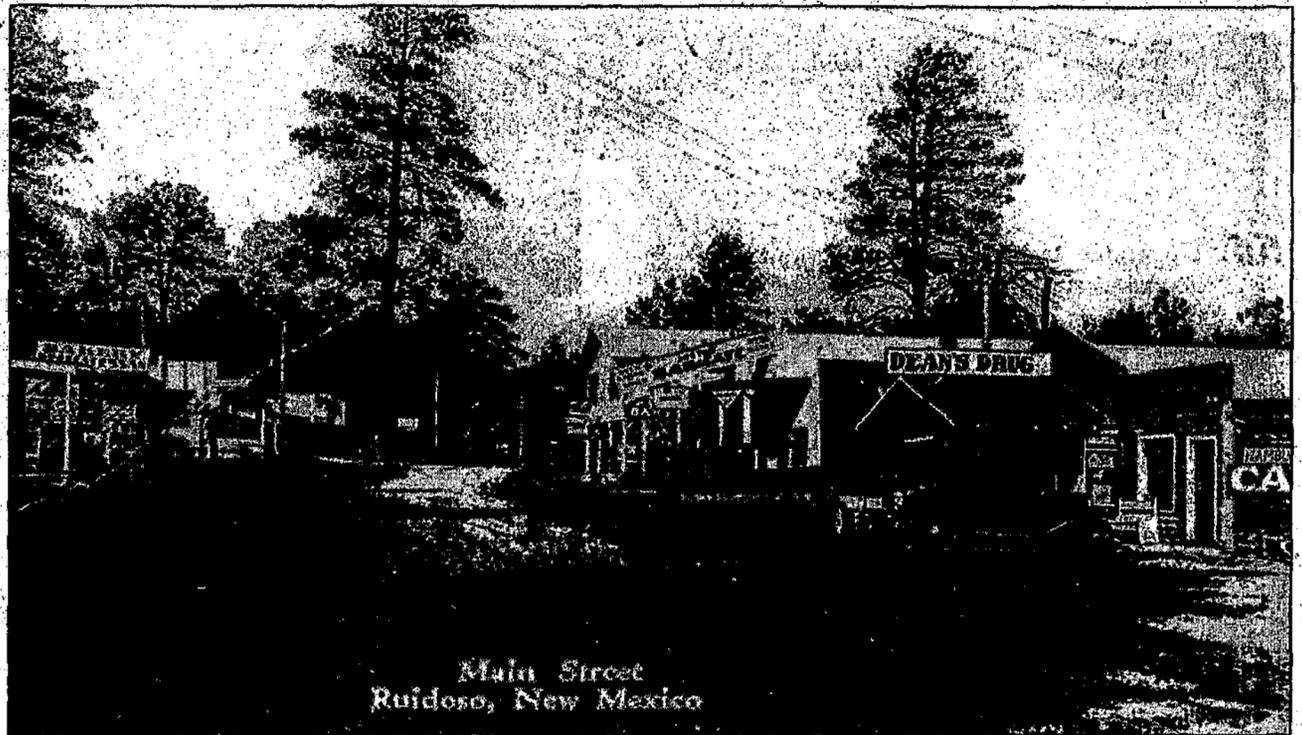
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- 67. Who ran the coffee shop in the Chaparral Hotel?
- 68. What did The Link's Golf Course used to be?
- 69. Where was the first Ruidoso ski area?
- 70. What was the original name of Aspenfest?
- 71. Why was the name of the event changed to Aspenfest?
- 72. Where was Dr. W. D. Horton's office located?
- 73. What was the use of the present Smokey Bear Ranger Station on Mechem Drive?



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- 74. What was the common name for Cherokee Bill Canyon?
- 75. How many drive-in theaters have been in the Ruidoso area?
- 76. Who published the Ruidoso Reporter newspaper in the late 1960s?
- 77. What western legacy founded by Ray Reed, who often played in Ruidoso, continues to grow year after year and brings visitors from all over the country?
- 78. Who was known as the "Will Rogers of Ruidoso"?
- 79. What was La Lorraine before it was a restaurant?
- 80. In 1952, what dubious distinction did Highway 70 have?
- 81. How many horses were killed in 1955 during a fire at Ruidoso Downs Race Track?



Ruidoso's Main Street back in 1955.

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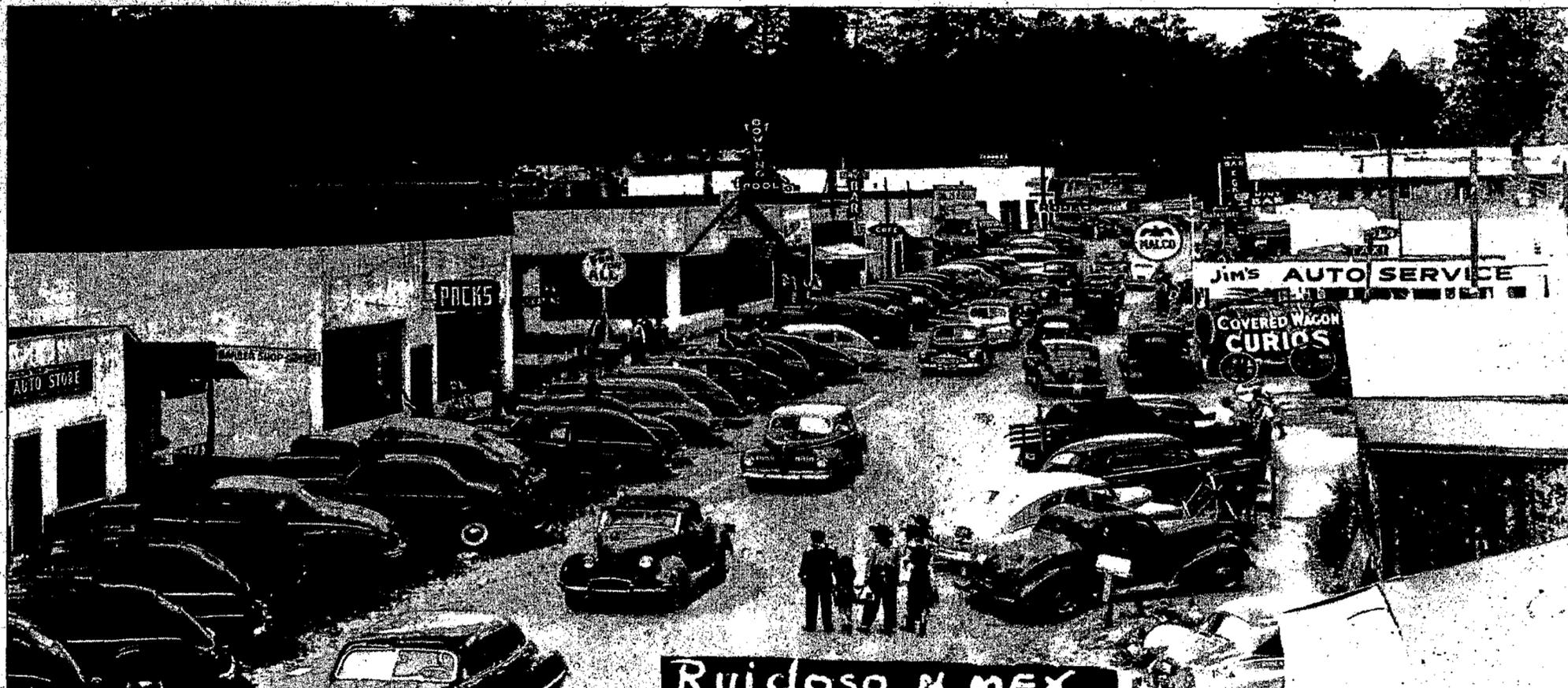
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82. In what year was the Smokey Bear Museum dedicated in Capitan?

84. What was the name of the land where the ski resort was built?

86. In what year was the ski resort offered for sale to the Mescalero Apache Tribe?

83. What was the name of the corporation that built the ski area now known as Ski Apache?

85. In what year was the agreement for the ski resort approved?

87. Which two men who gained national news attention after reportedly killing a snake that was 18 1/2 feet long?

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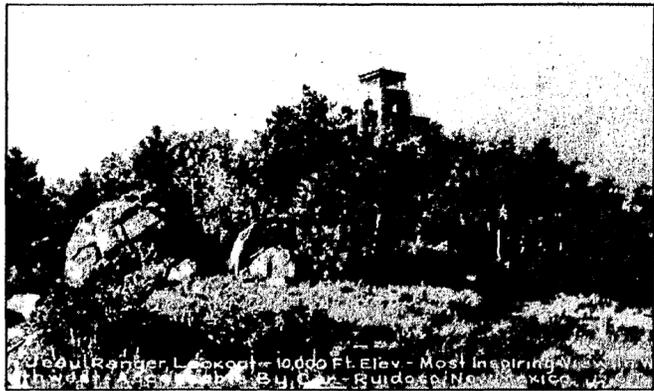
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88. Up until 1965, how many county districts held the villages of Ruidoso, Carrizozo, Capitan, and Ruidoso Downs?

89. In 1966, what was the hourly wage of a paid Ruidoso firefighter?

90. What Lincoln County artist painted the official portrait of President Lyndon Johnson?

91. What former Ruidoso Downs Race Track general manager was sentenced in U.S. District Court for personal and corporate tax evasion?

92. When did Ruidoso's first recorded bank robbery take place?

93. Who was the White Mountain Middle School coach whose firing caused 90 students to stage a walk-out in protest in 1978?

94. Who is credited with the building of the cathedral-like St. Joseph's Church at Mescalero?

95. How many fatal accidents occurred at the "old" Ruidoso Airport from 1965 to 1985?

96. Who owned the land on which the present Sierra Blanca Airport exists?

97. Which Ruidoso Downs mayor said his job "isn't worth two cents" and resigned in 1990?

98. Who was the man who donated the building that houses ENMU-Ruidoso?

99. What action movie star came to Ruidoso to rally opposition to proposed nuclear storage on the Mescalero Apache Reservation?

100. What is the name of the sculpture that adorns the Hubbard Museum of the American West?

101. What was the name of the last movie made in Lincoln County?

HOW DID YOU DO?

We hope you enjoyed playing the third edition of *Trivia 101!* Remember, we will be printing the answers to these questions next Friday. Meanwhile, we suggest you get together with other readers and compare answers.

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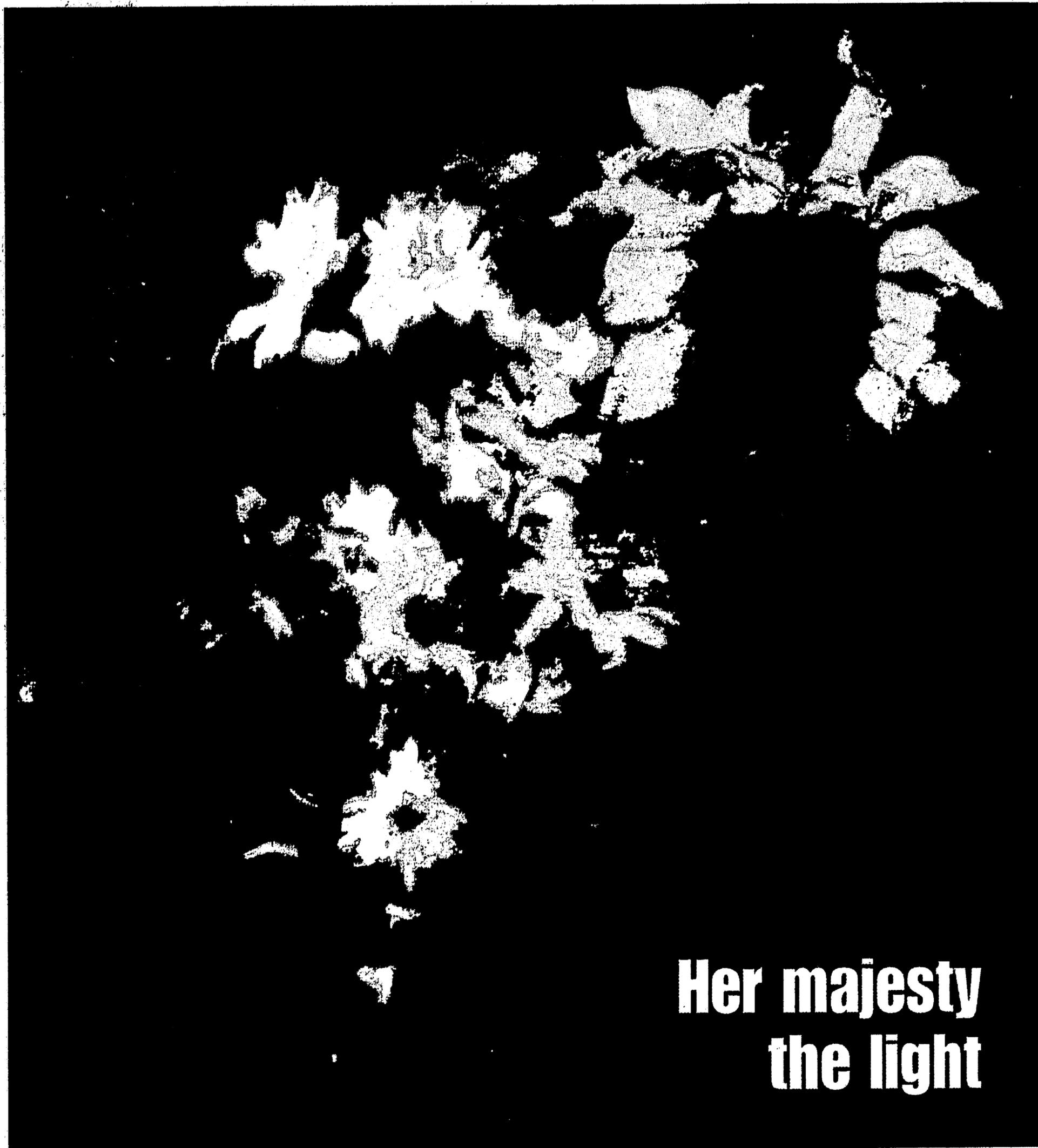
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SUNFLOWER AND FRIENDS BY JULIE THIGPEN received an honorable mention in "A Monet Invitational: Flowers, Always Always" sponsored by the New Orleans Museum of Art in 1995. For more about Thigpen's work please see page 3E.

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The Arts

Her majesty light

by *Dianne Stallings*
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

*L*ush colors, sensual forms and rich lighting draw viewers to the paintings of artist Julie Thigpen.

Subject is secondary. Capturing the light and gesture is what Thigpen seeks.

See LIGHT, page 4D



Courtesy

THIGPEN'S MOTHER AND CHILD PORTRAIT is her tribute to one of her favorite models, who posed for the artist for many years and continued throughout her pregnancy.

THE ARTS

LIGHT

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When I paint the figure, what really captures me is the gesture, the movement and energy that runs through the figure."

JULIE THIGPEN
ARTIST

She quotes Monet, who when questioned about his favorite painting subject, said, "I do not paint subjects. I paint her majesty, the light."

Commercially successful from the outset, Thigpen has won numerous awards, including the award of excellence at the New Orleans Academy of Fine Arts Student Show in 1986, 1987 and 1988, Best of show in 1997 in the national juried Southern Representational Painters exhibit in Alabama and the Eclipse Medallion Award in 1995 at the Artdex International in Vancouver, British Columbia.

Thigpen, her husband and two children moved from New Orleans to a home on Old Fort Stanton Road last June. It's the perfect home for an artist with white walls, cathedral ceilings, unusual angles, plenty of windows and a solarium that Thigpen uses for her studio.

Born in Lake Charles, La., Thigpen grew up in a creative family. But her father, a writer, thought the life of an artist was too risky and urged her to pursue a safer career in teaching, which she dutifully did.

A straight "A" student, she earned a bachelor's degree and master's degree in English and spent several years teaching in New Orleans.

"But I realized one day that was not me," she said. "It was not what I wanted."

She took what she thought was a one-year hiatus from teaching with the concurrence of her husband, Bob (a professor at the University of New Orleans), and attended the New Orleans Academy of Fine Art. She was 35 and by the end of her first year, she was awarded a full scholarship at the academy.

"I never went back to teaching," she said.

Thigpen sold many of her landscapes while still in high school, but portraiture was her favorite. She tried every medium, but kept coming back to oils because she likes to see brush stroke and texture. Oil stays wet longer and is more malleable, she said. She uses brush and palette knife.

She shied away from art classes.

"I always thought it was better to be self-taught," she said. "Too many teachers want clones and that's deadly to an artist. A good teacher can't have that much ego involve-



Courtesy.

"DISCLOSURE" won The Eclipse Medallion Award at the Artdex International exhibition in Vancouver, British Columbia in January 1995.

ment and that's what I found. You have to team up with someone's whose work you love and someone who respects you as an individual.

At the academy, she found the exception in teacher Dell Weller.

"He was a great teacher, but such a task master. He made us draw nine hours a day, mostly figures. We couldn't spend more than 30 minutes on any one work."

For the first year, he allowed his students only to use six colors.

"He believed colors were to be mixed, not used ready made," she said. "You can mix anything you want on the palette without gray or black. You begin to pick up on the nuances, to see the blues in a shadow."

She also worked with a Russian colorist for two years. One time she walked into a session to find he set up a still life with all objects in reds, including the backdrop.

"I began to see this deep purple red with gradations in the drape, an orange red in something else. I saw the colors against

each other, instead of the object," she said.

She's never worried about the marketability of her work, she said.

At the end of her first year at the academy, she sold every piece she entered in the school art show, which helped her gain the confidence that her avocation could be her vocation.

"Otherwise, it would have felt too selfish to paint and never make a living from it," she said.

"I'm not exclusively anything," Thigpen said. But in New Orleans, she was known as a figure painter usually mixed with some local architectural feature.

"I loved the figure so much. When I paint the figure, what really captures me is the gesture, the movement and energy that runs through the figure."

That energy transfers to other forms in the paintings, she said.

"If you can feel and translate that, you have an exciting painting," she said. "I feel if I ever get lost, I will find my way back



Dianne Stallings

THIGPEN in her studio.

through the figure."

She executes the underlying sketch for her paintings quickly and as one entity.

"I do everything at once," she said, otherwise she could stall on perfecting an eye or hand and miss the whole. That approach holds whether she's working with a still life, a landscape or a human subject.

"It's very challenging to paint flesh," she said. "It's so translucent and picks up the colors around it."

Thigpen occasionally indulges her appreciation of the work of other artists by including a painting within a painting. Although most of her work is representational, she's beginning to branch out more into expressionism.

To that end, she paints hundreds of small works featuring the female shape.

"I want to draw and not have to think about it," she said. "I want the technique to be there so I can concentrate on what I want to say in the picture."

"There are two ways of looking at your art — as a process or a product. I'm concerned with growth and the overall results, not how many paintings I produce or sell a year. By the end of the year, I want to be able to say I did something. I couldn't do before. It may take 50 or 500 paintings to get there, but then I know I'm still growing."

Thigpen prefers to work with live subjects. One woman she painted for 12 years while the model was earning her doctorate.

"I haven't found a model here yet," Thigpen said. "I know I'll be doing more landscapes here. There's such a variety of warm and cool colors, changes in the landscape."

Thigpen shows locally at the Rio Street Gallery in Ruidoso.

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Design Piece by Lorene James, one of many works of art by students of three art classes at ENMU.

ENMU Art Show

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The work includes drawing, life drawing, design, beginning and advanced ceramics, and beginning painting from last semester's classes. Students display what they've learned from drawing and design teacher Karen Reeder, ceramics teacher Susan Wier-Ancker and painting teacher Judy Pekelsma, who coordinated the show.

"The quality of the work is excellent and it reflects the energy and talent of the students," Pekelsma said. "We want the public to come and support these people who are venturing into the art world."

About 75 students took art classes last semester, Pekelsma said. Art classes will make this an annual event because it's important for students to learn proper display, meet the public and hear their comments about the work. Next year, she said, the show will be larger because art teachers will hold on to work for the show next January.

"It kind of validates doing the work - to see it in an actual show," Pekelsma said. "And in the real world if you are an artist, this is how you sell your work, so it's important to learn to present your work in a positive manner and to be able to speak about your work."



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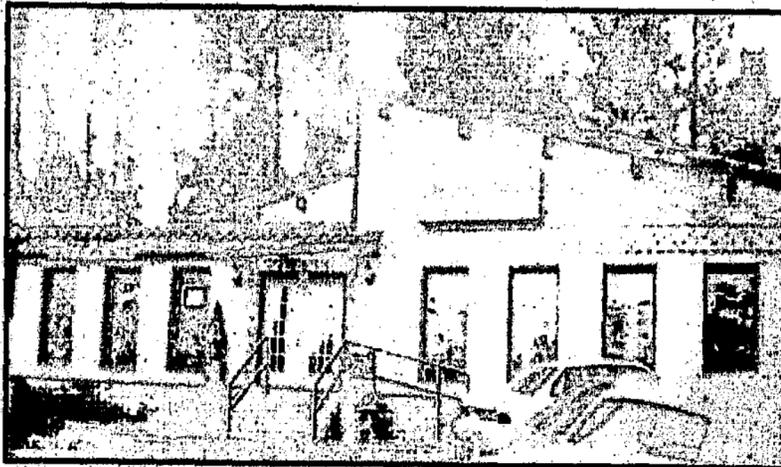
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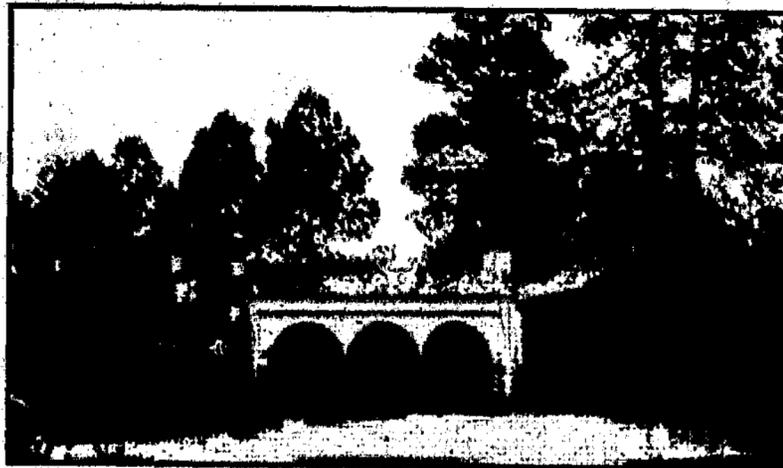
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performances

Hubbard Museum hosts Valentine's Dance
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movies

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

The Hurricane
Rated: R
Show times: 1:15 p.m.*, 4:15 p.m., 7:15 p.m., 10:15 p.m.*
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Rated: R
Show times: 1:30 p.m.*, 4:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 10:30 p.m.*
Any Given Sunday
Rated: R
Show times: 1 p.m.*, 4:00 p.m., 7 p.m., 10:00 p.m.*
* Friday and Saturday only
For more on the movies, see page 9D.



Courtesy

DEB MARTIN (VICTOR), RIGHT, AND Michael Shiles (Toddy) in "Victor/Victoria"

Gay Paris comes to the Spencer Theater

by Sandy Suggill
VAMONOS STAFF WRITER

The stage of the Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts will be transformed into Chez Luis, a Parisian gay nightclub Saturday as the cast of "Victor/Victoria" performs for a local audience.

See VICTOR/VICTORIA page 9D

The Hurricane

Genre: Drama.

Rated: R for language and some violence.

Starring: Denzel Washington, Deborah Unger, Liev Schreiber, Vicellous Shannon and John Hannah

Directed by: Norman Jewison

Produced by: Norman Jewison, Arman Bernstein and John Ketcham

Written by: Arman Bernstein, Christopher Cleveland and Dan Gordon.

Distributor: Universal Pictures

Synopsis: In June 1966, Rubin "Hurricane" Carter was a strong contender for the middleweight boxing title.

When three people were murdered in a New Jersey bar, Carter's dreams were destroyed.

Driving home from a nearby club, Carter was erroneously arrested for the murders and sentenced to serve three life terms in prison.

Several years later, Carter's published memoir, *The 16th Round*, inspired a Brooklyn teenager and three Canadian activists, who believed in the truth, to join forces with Carter to prove his innocence.



courtesy Paramount Pictures

Denzel Washington and director Norman Jewison on the set of Universal's *The Hurricane* - 1999

Their extraordinary efforts, commitment and love ultimately secured his release, leaving "Hurricane" to sum up his 20 years in prison for a crime he didn't commit by simply stating, "Hate got me into this place, love

got me out."

Any Given Sunday

Rated: R for strong language and some nudity/sexuality.

Starring: Al Pacino, Dennis Quaid, Jamie Foxx, Cameron Diaz and James Woods

Directed by: Oliver Stone, produced by Clayton Townsend, Lauren Shuler Donner and Dan Halsted, written by John Logan.

Distributor: Warner Brothers

Synopsis: Although professional football provides the action-packed backdrop of *Any Given Sunday*, the film takes a simultaneously epic and intimate look at the men and women who comprise the milieu of the film, from the modern-day gladiators of the gridiron, their coaches and often beleaguered families, to the moneyed team owners and business concerns who attempt to control the game as big business, to the hungry sports media, and hangers-on trying to get a taste of the glamour.

Girl, Interrupted

Genre: Drama

Rated: R for strong language and content relating to drugs, sexuality and suicide.

Starring: Winona Ryder, Angelina Jolie, Whoopi Goldberg.

Clea Duvall and Vanessa Redgrave

Directed by: James Mangold; produced by Douglas Wick and Cathy Konrad; written by James Mangold and Susanna Kaysen.

Distributor: Columbia Tristar

Synopsis: In 1967, after a session with a psychiatrist she'd never seen before, Susanna Kaysen was diagnosed with Borderline Personality Disorder—an affliction with symptoms so ambiguous almost any adolescent girl might qualify—and sent to a renowned New England psychiatric hospital where she spent the next two years in a ward for teenage girls.

There, Susanna loses herself in an Oz-like nether world of seductive and disturbed young women: among them Lisa, a charming sociopath who stages a disastrous escape with Susanna, Daisy, a pampered girl with a predilection for rotisserie chicken, and Polly, a remarkably kind burn victim.

Ultimately, assisted by the hospital's head psychiatrist, Dr. Wick, and a no-nonsense ward nurse, Valerie, Susanna, like Dorothy, resolves to leave this Oz and reclaim her life.

VICTOR/VICTORIA

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The play is based on the 1982 motion picture adapted by Blake Edwards (based on a German film, *Viktor Und Viktoria*), which was nominated for seven Academy Awards and won for Best Score. It opened on Broadway in 1995 starring Julie Andrews.

"Victor/Victoria," directed by Mark S. Hoebee and produced by NETworks, have been crisscrossing the continent from east to west and as far north as Anchorage, Alaska, said Deb Fiscella, the company's press representative.

Deb Martin ("Six Degrees of Separation," "Triumph of Love," "Nine," and "Merrily We Roll Along") stars as Victoria Grant, a penniless English soprano who auditions at Chez Lui but is rejected. Michael Shiles ("Big," "42nd Street," "City of Angels") plays Toddy, a gay entertainer at Chez Luis who befriends Victoria and talks her into dressing in drag—as a female impersonator—making her an instantaneous success as Count Victor Grazinsky.

Then the "count" enraptures a visiting American businessman-gangster, King Marchan, played by Steven Fabrizio ("The Music Man," "Guys & Dolls," "Jesus Christ Superstar"), enraging

King's girlfriend, who returns to Chicago to report that King is in love with a man.

King's bodyguard, Squash, comes out of the closet and falls in love with Toddy, and Victoria reveals herself to King as a woman, after he tells her he doesn't care if she's a man. Although King loses a business partner, everything else ends happily ever after.

Fiscella attributes the continued popularity of "Victor/Victoria" to Blake Edwards' undeniable comic genius. A master of both comedy and drama in film, television and radio, some of his his 49 films include "Breakfast at Tiffany's," "Days of Wine and Roses," and "Experiment in Terror." The Pink Panther series includes comedies "Micki & Maude," "Victor/Victoria," "The Party," "The Great Race," and others.

"His hand is evident in 'Victor/Victoria,'" Fiscella said. "There's a vaudevillian-slapstick intelligent humor going on throughout the show. In addition, you have Henry Mancini's music, which people immediately respond to."

The way Edwards handles gay and feminist issues adds to the longevity of the show, she said, because they're treated in a light-hearted way—and that type of role reversal has been around forever.

Kid's play

• where to take the children •

Fun places for the young and the young at heart abound in Ruidoso. Here's a list of places to take the kids.

• **FUNTRACKERS**, located at 101 Carrizo Canyon Road (257-3275), is an amusement park that offers bumper boat rides (children 7 or older), three tracks for go-carts (children 14 and up only on the "pro" track), 18 holes of miniature golf, video arcade, and a snack bar. Bumper boats, go-carts and miniature golf cost \$4 each; the "pro" track costs riders \$4. Funtrackers is open Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

• **PLAYGROUNDS AND PARKS** Also at Schoolhouse Park is a playground.

It features 15 different play equipment, some of which are accessible to wheelchair-bound children.

The play equipment includes a slide and jungle gym. Four, lighted tennis courts, picnic tables, three pavilions and restroom facilities are available as well.

A short jaunt west on Sudderth takes you to Two Rivers Park, located behind the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce. Carrizo Creek meets the Rio Ruidoso at Two Rivers Park, which offers a playground with swings, a slide, a circular ride and picnic pavilion area.

The park closes at nightfall.

Skateboarders and roller bladers can skate, jump and hotdog to their hearts content at Northpark,

another relatively new village addition.

Northpark is next to Fire Station No. 2 on White Mountain Drive.

It's open from 8 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, and 8 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

A parent or legal guardian is required to be in attendance at all times with children under 13 years of age.

• **SNOW PLAY**

A commercial Snow Play area, Ruidoso Winter Park, in its third year of operation, continues to offer premium tubing and two tow lines for those who want to save their energy for the downhill ride on three chutes.

The park is on Ski Run Road 1/4 mile west off SR 48 north of Ruidoso.

Rates are \$5 for children 42-inches and under for three hours on the slopes, \$13.50 for children through 15 and \$15 for those 16 and older.

For more information, call (505) 336-7079

In Alamogordo

The Space Center is located at the top of New Mexico Highway 2001 in Alamogordo. The International Space Hall of Fame and the John P. Stapp Air and Space Park is open from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. daily.



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'Print' Olive, rancher and gunman

Print Olive had been a rancher for decades when he made his final mistake.

There were men in the Old West who were more than aware of their status as man-killers, or "shootists," a term generally thought to have been originated by Clay Allison. Men such as James Butler "Wild Bill" Hickok come readily to mind. It was said that Hickok didn't walk into a room, he slid into it. Hickok preferred to never have his back exposed, and when he entered say, a saloon, he did so by stepping through the doorway and immediately stepping to one side or the other, placing his back against the wall.

And then there were men who never really considered themselves to be gunmen, even though they really were. Isom Prentice "Print" Olive was one of them. Print never considered himself to be anything but a rancher. He just happened to be a rancher who used his guns... alot.

Beginnings

The ranch that Print Olive returned to after serving with the Texas Volunteers during the Civil War was in Williamson County, Texas, and had been founded by his father.

In those days, there were thousands of Texas longhorns running wild on the range throughout that state. All one really had to do to start their own herd was to go out and round them up, an act which, considering that the cattle were wild, was not as easy as it sounds.

The ranges were all open then, but it

was a fact that whoever controlled the water holes also controlled the surrounding range. And anyone caught branding cattle in areas like that was considered to be a rustler.

Apparently, in the early days, Print's hatred of rustlers had not yet honed itself to the fine edge that it eventually would. The first rustler to run afoul of Print was a man named Rod Murray. When Olive confronted Murray on the range, Rod went for his gun. Print shot him out of the saddle only to discover that Murray wasn't dead. So Print took the wounded man back to the ranch and patched him up. The two became friends and Print gave Murray a job punching cattle legally. Rod Murray was the last rustler to be treated so gently by Print Olive.

Fun on the trail

The next rustler to run afoul of Print was

a man named Dave Fream. When Olive confronted Fream on the range, Fream, like Murray before him, went for his gun. The two men then proceeded to blow rather large holes in each other. When the gun-smoke cleared, Print had been wounded but was still in the saddle. Fream was not so lucky. He was on the ground and very dead.

After recovering from his wounds, Print stood trial for murder, but the jury set him free, scoffing at the fact that there was even a trial as they did so. After that, Print drove a herd to Kansas, but, as was frequently the case, there was trouble along the way.

Many of the homesteaders whose land the drive crossed would levy a toll to both cross the land and use whatever water was available. And it was over these tolls, often exorbitant, that one of Print's most trusted employees, Jim Kelly, earned his keep. Kelly was a black cowboy frequently known sim-

ply as "Print's Bad Nigger." If Kelly's skin color had been lighter, he would probably have been known as a gunfighter himself.

When the tolls seemed too high to Print, he would send Jim Kelly over to "chat" with the toll-takers. As one cowboy put it: "That big black boy with his gun would sure tell them punkin' rollers where to head in at. He'd roll up his eyes like a duck in a thunderstorm and grit his teeth — Lord, he could play a tune with his teeth. Most of the settlers were poor northern folks that never seen any colored people and were scared of them anyway. When they saw Kelly they would come down quick enough from \$25 to \$5 as the price..."

When the drive arrived at Ellsworth, Kansas, Kelly even saved his employer's life. When Print argued with a gambler by the name of Jim Kennedy, both men had the idea that it was time to end the discussion permanently and simultaneously, both of them reached for their hardware. Before Jim managed to get his weapon into operation, Kennedy had shot him in the hand, thigh and groin. None of these wounds were destined to prove fatal, and before Kennedy could inflict any more damage, Kelly entered the fray and proceeded to blow enough holes through the gambler to cause him to lose interest in continuing the fight.

Return to Texas

When Olive and his men got back to Williamson County, they found that rustling had become far too prevalent to suit them. Print posted signs on his land that were to the point: "All cattle and horse thieves pay attention. Anyone caught riding an Olive horse or driving an Olive cow will be shot on sight." He wasn't kidding, either. The next two rustlers that Olive caught in the act were shot dead on the spot. The bodies were then wrapped in the hides of the cattle that the men were caught butchering.

This and other less-than-hospitable acts brought about a period of open warfare in Williamson County. Finally, the Print, his father and brothers determined to relocate to Nebraska, which they did in 1877. But, as Print and the rest of the Olives were to discover, things were tough all over.

The death of Bob Olive

When Print's brother Bob stumbled across what appeared to be a rustling operation in progress one day in 1878, he brazenly rode up and asked the men if they had a bill of sale for all of the Olive cattle that they were penning.

A man named Ami Ketchum showed Bob a bill of sale that had what Bob suspected was a document bearing the forged signature of his brother Print. Bob went to the local law and was deputized to make an arrest. When Bob and his three-man posse surrounded the Ketchum place and demanded that those inside surrender, gunfire erupted. Bob was shot through the lungs by Ketchum associate Luther Mitchell and two days later, he died.

Print was inconsolable, and when he heard that the law had caught up with Ketchum and Mitchell, he and his men saddled up. They caught up with the posse transporting the prisoners to jail, and whether they bribed the lawmen or threatened them, we will never know. What matters is that the prisoners were turned over to Print Olive and his men.

With the two prisoners seated in a wagon, Print's cowboys went off in search of a suitable tree. They found one in almost no time at all, and the prisoners, still seated in the wagon, were positioned under it. At this point, Mitchell, who had been the actual triggerman in Bob Olive's death, began to whimper and beg, which for Print, was the last straw. Print shot him in the chest, his bullet catapulting Mitchell over backwards. Mitchell's boots kept him in the wagon, and the rope that had been fastened around his neck kept him from hitting the ground.

Print then instructed the wagon driver to "move it," and the man promptly complied. The ropes were far too long, though,

and both men landed on the ground. This mistake was quickly corrected, and in no time at all, the duo were dangling lifelessly.

Later, the bodies were burned and buried, although apparently not quite deep enough, because they were located when someone noticed an arm protruding from the ground.

Jail and decline

Print denied setting the bodies aflame (evidence does suggest that this was accomplished by a couple of drunk cowboys), but was found guilty of second-degree murder and given a sentence of life in the Nebraska Penitentiary.

He served less than two years before being granted a new trial and acquitted. But in the 20-month period that Print was incarcerated, much had changed. Half of his stock had frozen to death during a particularly cold winter; his father had died, and even Jim Kelly had drifted away.

Print moved the remainder of his family and holdings to Dodge City, Kansas, where he founded the Sawlog and Smokey Hill Ranch. He was even elected Director of the Western Kansas Stockman's Association, an unmistakable sign that the old rancher/gunman was becoming respectable.

Print Olive had been a rancher for decades when he made his final mistake. It didn't seem that important at the time... Olive had co-signed a note for a dead-beat by the name of Joe Sparrow. Young Sparrow had already acquired something of a reputation as a braggart and despera-

do, but for whatever reason, Print trusted him.

Sparrow, as one might expect, paid back some of the loan, but not all, and Print was left holding the bag. As it turned out, it was only a \$10 bag, but to Print, it was the principle of the thing. He threatened Sparrow, who said he would pay the money back, but didn't. Sparrow then began to brood over the debt, and in the summer of 1886, he headed up to Trail City, Colorado, where he waited for Print to make one of his periodic trips to that place.

On August 16, 1886, Print entered his favorite saloon in that city and the last thing he saw as he pushed through the batwing doors was the form of Joe Sparrow aiming a pistol at him.

Epilogue

Joe Sparrow escaped justice in the matter of the death of Print Olive, and, in fact, died in Mexico in 1924. Jim Kelly drifted, ultimately, to Ansley, Nebraska, where he died in early 1912.

And to this day, Print Olive is remembered as a pioneer rancher, a fact that would not have sur-

prised him. He is also remembered as a gunman, a fact that most definitely would have surprised him.

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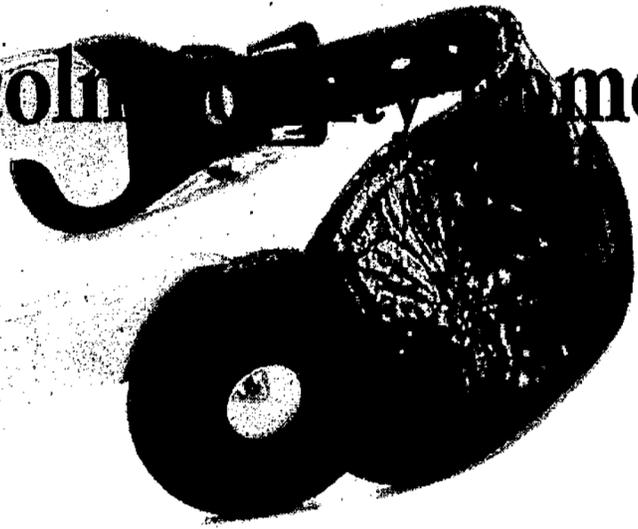


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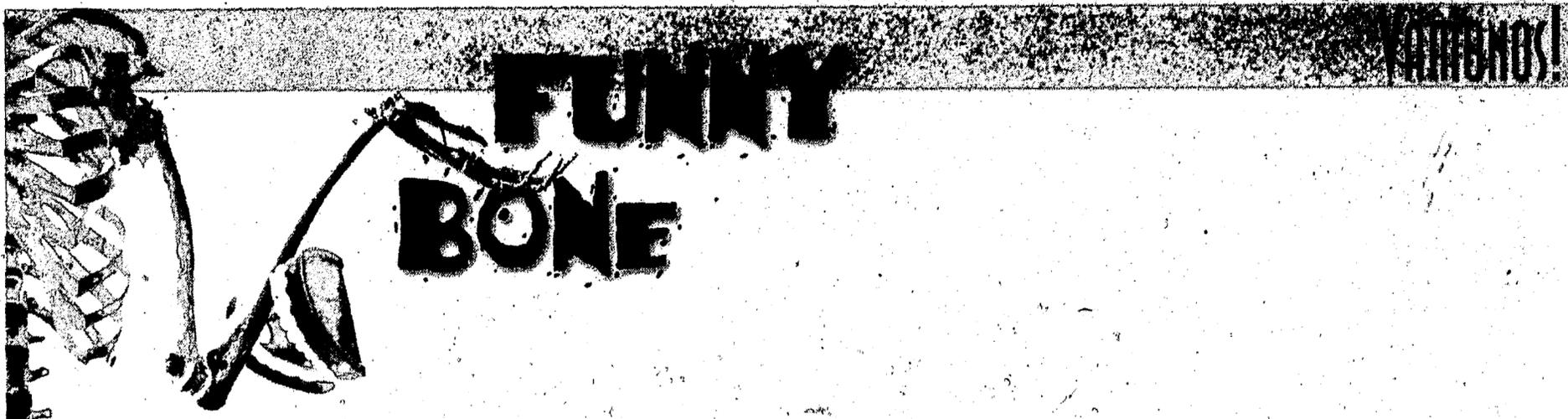
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Key Super Bowl terminology 'run,' 'pass,' 'ligament,' 'beer'



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been on the other side of this coin. While visiting Ireland, I watched an Irish sport called "hurling" (really) in which men who are not wearing helmets basically beat each other senseless with sticks. In terms of violence, this sport makes American football look like Pat the Bunny. I'd never seen this sport, so I relied on the fans around me to answer my questions ("Is that player dead?" "Did all that blood come out of his EAR?" etc.).

So I know how hard it can be to understand a foreign sport, which is why today, to help you foreign persons follow the Super Bowl, I am presenting:

THE RULES OF AMERICAN PROFESSIONAL FOOTBALL

Football is played on a field that is 100 yards (374 kilometers) long and is covered with lines called "hash marks" to indicate where players have lost their breakfasts. On either side of the field are the benches, where the 350 players who are not involved in the game sit and wave to their moms. Behind each bench is a big plastic jug of Gatorade. The object of the game is to be the first team to dump this on the "coach," a very angry man who hates everybody.

The game is divided into four 15-minute quarters, each of which

lasts a little over three hours. Timeouts may be called by anybody at any time for any reason, including political unrest in Guatemala. Between the second and third quarters, there is a half-time musical extravaganza in which Neil Diamond, Toni Tennille, the Muppets and the late Al Hirt join with every human being who has ever auditioned for "Star Search" to perform "A Tribute to Medleys."

The game begins when a small man of foreign extraction kicks the pigskin, or "ball," as far as possible, then wisely scuttles off the field.

The referee then places the ball on an imaginary "line of scrimmage," which is visible only to the referee and his imaginary friend, Mr. Pootywinkle. On either side of this line, the two teams form "huddles," where they decide who will perform the traditional celebratory dance when the upcoming "play" is over.

The "play" itself happens very quickly, so you foreign persons must not blink, or you'll miss it. Here's what happens:

1. A large player called the "center" squats over the ball, and then the "quarterback" touches him in a way that would get them both executed in the Middle East.
2. All the players run into each

other and fall down.

3. Certain players leap to their feet and perform celebratory dances, while referees add to the festivity by hurling brightly colored flags into the air.

Now comes the heart and soul of football: Watching slow-motion replays of the players falling down. You'll see this from every possible point of reference, including the Hubble telescope.

You'll see so many replays that at some point you'll swear that, in the background, you can see Mr. Pootywinkle.

When the replays are finally over, the referee formally announces that the play does not count. Then it's time for eight commercials featuring sport utility vehicles climbing Mount Everest,

and it's back to the huddles for more non-stop action!

Yes, foreign persons, football is a complex sport, but you'll find that if you take the time to watch this year's Super Bowl, you will soon discover why every year, so many millions of Americans are glued to their television sets. Watching rental videos.

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We are coming up on the Super Bowl, which is by far the most important sporting event in the world as measured in total tons of free shrimp consumed by sportswriters.

This year, the Super Bowl will be broadcast to many foreign nations, which, almost by definition, contain numerous foreigners. These people are often puzzled by American football, a highly complex sport that requires a knowledge of many technical terms such as "run," "pass," "cornerback," "blitzkrieg," "Texas League," "ligament" and "Hank Stram." This complexity makes the game difficult for foreigners to grasp.

I know this because some years ago, while visiting Japan, I watched the Miami Dolphins and the Oakland Raiders play a demonstration game in a Tokyo stadium where, for a zesty snack, you could buy pieces of fried octopus on a stick. The fans were polite but they had no clue what was going on. The only thing that aroused their interest was the Dolphins cheerleaders. The game would stop for a time out, and the cheerleaders would start jumping around, and immediately the fans would go WILD, cheering and thrusting their octopus nuggets into the air.

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