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State, Meadow Valley, trade jabs over road projects

BY JAMES KALVELAGE
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

While the road construction on state Highway 48 and U.S. Highway 70 enters its third season, behind the scenes, sometimes with legalese, the New Mexico State Highway and Transportation Department, and the contractor on the road building projects, are sparring.

Meadow Valley Contractors, Inc., of Phoenix, Ariz., in a Jan. 31 letter to the New Mexico Highway and Transportation Department, said that project delays in Ruidoso and Ruidoso

Downs were the responsibility of the state.

The letter, signed by Bradley E. Larson, president and CEO of Meadow Valley Contractors, Inc., also stated that his firm had been subjected to unnecessary and inaccurate public criticism from state officials.

"There have been several instances where the Department has commented negatively about the ongoing projects and the Lt. Governor (Walter Bradley) has publicly singled out Meadow Valley for criticism because of the time required for construction and our alleged lack of preparation to prosecute the

work," the letter begins.

The correspondence tells of an agreement where neither party would involve the press in any dispute or issue that might arise. Meadow Valley contends the company has complied, but the state has violated the agreement.

New Mexico Highway and Transportation Department Secretary Pete K. Rahn, in a Feb. 17 response, said his department has acted responsibly.

"We have carefully avoided leveling specific charges against MCVI (Meadow Valley Contractors, Inc.) publicly, and when confronted by the press

with problems in Ruidoso we have merely alluded to the dispute with the contractor in general terms by reporting, dispassionately, that such a dispute may have to be resolved in court," Rahn stated.

The transportation department secretary said Meadow Valley, by allowing its letter to be leaked to the media, is trying to disparage the department and absolve Meadow Valley for any blame for the conditions of the road projects.

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▷ The best laid plans

Three projects taken on by Meadow Valley and completion dates:

1. Upper state Highway 48 (Aug. 2, 1999)
2. Lower state Highway 48 (July 31, 1999)
3. U.S. Highway 70 (Nov. 1, 1999)

Meadow Valley says poor state planning caused delays but the state says the contractor is to blame.

Mountain vista at sunrise



Dianne Stallings/Ruidoso News

As the sun comes up in the east, an explosion of pink and orange lights up the clouds and Sierra Blanca Peak. The frequently repeated morning scene is just one of the area's scenic attractions.

▷ RUIDOSO

Donaldson seeks to cap property tax

BY JAMES KALVELAGE
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Ruidoso Mayor Robert Donaldson will propose a \$1 million cap on the village's operational component of the property tax levy.

Coupled with new state legislation, which limits annual increases in residential property valuations, and growing revenues from the gross receipts tax, Donaldson foresees the village portion of the property tax bill heading down.

Currently \$1,035 million of the village's operational budget comes from the property tax.

"And it continually goes up with (property) reevaluations, with new properties that come in and with remodels." The mayor said the village's property tax levy has been moving higher, in part because of increased property values in Ruidoso.

"We're going to keep our operational (revenues derived from the property tax) at the million dollar level," Donaldson said Tuesday. "No matter how much increase in valuation, or how many new properties come on, commercial or residential, it will decrease the millage."

Donaldson said that would create a tax decrease, at least from the village's operational side of the annual tax bill.

The mayor felt continued revenue increases from the gross receipts tax afforded the village the opportunity to freeze the property tax levy.

"We've gone through Wal-Mart," the mayor said of the more than two-year-old reduction in gross receipts tax revenues when the retailer moved to the neighboring village of Ruidoso Downs.

"It would be great to have Wal-Mart still here and have that additional million dollars, but the reality is we've already grown. We have higher gross receipts today than when Wal-Mart was here."

Donaldson said projections indicate Ruidoso will see substantially higher revenues from the gross receipts tax in the coming years.

Of the village's approximately \$6 million in operational revenues, just over \$1 million is derived from the property tax. The other \$5 million comes from the gross receipts tax and other general fund fees.

The other component of the village portion of the property tax covers municipal debt service.

"The debt service side, we as citizens get to vote on every bit of that," Donaldson said.

▷ COUNTY COMMISSION

Motocross track plan meets area opposition

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
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Motocross racing might keep young riders out of trouble and draw visitors to Lincoln County, but a landfill near a large subdivision may not be the right site for a track, county commissioners said Thursday.

They agreed to help members of Lincoln County Motocross check out environmental issues surrounding the landfill and to look at other potential sites.

Representing the group asking for use of the abandoned landfill on Sierra Blanca Airport Road, Steve Gonzales said without a sanctioned track, local riders must either travel to other counties or ride on their own land, now that a private landowner decided to de-

velop property they were using.

Several residents of Ranches of Sonterra and nearby Alto said to put a track. The activity could release methane gas or expose garbage, which is buried under a two-foot deep top layer of dirt, said Chandler Brown.

Before moving ahead on the request, the county should consult the state Environment Department, he said.

Guy Hence said he is worried about riders leaving the track site and venturing out to adjoining dirt roads and private property.

He used to participate in motocross with his son and saw the "devastation" to areas used for that activity, he said.

"It will dramatically and nega-

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Fort Stanton meeting set for Thursday

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
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People interested in the future of historic Fort Stanton have a chance next week to voice their ideas and get involved.

State Rep. Dub Williams, R-Glen-coe, called a town hall meeting for 6 p.m., Feb. 24, at the courthouse in Carrizozo.

Williams withdrew a bill on Feb. 10 that officials with the property control division of the state General Services Department asked him to introduce during the legislative session. The bill would have authorized the agency to sell the fort established in 1855.

Although Williams inserted language in the bill that ensured water

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Dianne Stallings/Ruidoso News

Steve Gonzales, a proponent of the proposed motocross track, makes a presentation to the county commission.

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RUIDOSO'S THREE-DAY WEATHER OUTLOOK

WEDNESDAY High ... 61 Low ... 26



Mostly sunny

THURSDAY High ... 59 Low ... 26

Mostly cloudy

FRIDAY High ... 43 Low ... 16



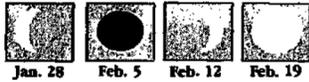
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Ruidoso Readings	High	Low	Precip.
Friday	55	27	.00"
Saturday	58	20	.00"
Sunday	64	20	.00"
Monday	66	36	.00"

Regional-Wednesday	High	Low	Forecast
Albuquerque	63	32	Mostly sunny
El Paso, TX	72	37	Mostly sunny
Lubbock, TX	73	34	Mostly sunny
Midland, TX	74	37	Mostly sunny

Jan./Feb. phases of the moon



Weather data courtesy of meteorologist Cam Moore KBIM-TV

STARDATE



Mars is maintaining its spot in the western evening sky right now. It looks like a fairly bright orange star, low in the west as darkness falls. It sets a couple of hours after sunset. It will remain visible in the evening sky for about two more months.

StarDate courtesy of McDonald Observatory, Univ. of Texas at Austin. For more information call 1-800-StarDate



The road through the Mal Pais near Carrizozo. courtesy Wayne Joyce

L.C. SCRAPBOOK

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

White Oaks Eagle
Feb. 1, 1899

El Paso is all stirred up over an attempt on the part of a gang of Negro soldiers from Fort Bliss to rescue two of their comrades from the police; and in the melee a policeman and a soldier was killed. Just why the department continues to keep Negro

soldiers in forts, when there is a good chance for them to show their fighting blood in the Phillipines where many noble men are meeting death, is hard to understand. A Negro, wearing a uniform, is a fomentor of strife where ever he goes.

On next Sunday evening the pastor of the congregational church will speak on "what constitutes a Christians."

A pleasant time is anticipated at a "Washington's Birthday" party this evening at the residence of J.H. Canning.

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COMMISSION: Some people in the area said the plan could be dangerous

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tively impact wildlife in the area and with 100-plus vehicles, the noise will reverberate," Hence said.

The combination of dry conditions and hot motors with sparks could pose a fire danger, he added.

John Hershey said he moved from Chicago for the "serenity and quiet peacefulness" of the area. A motorcyclist himself, Hershey said a track could increase air pollution from dust and result in more litter, "partying" and lower

property values.

"It's almost inconceivable that this use would be proposed in an area of such beauty," Hershey said.

Reynaldo Valcarcel disagreed that the landfill poses a danger.

"It's not a toxic waste dump," he said.

That statement was echoed by Kathy Eisen, who formerly worked for the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority. She said items in the waste stream were screened. She suggested using the closed and more remote Capitan debris landfill as an al-

ternative site.

Valcarcel said the trend is to convert old landfills for uses such as golf courses instead of letting the land sit.

But Joseph Muhlke said he built a home close to the landfill to provide a peaceful place for his wife, who is recovering from cancer treatment.

Commissioner Rick Simpson, on a speaker phone because he is recovering at home from a fall from a horse, said the potential noise at the nearby airport could be much greater.

Gonzales pointed out that

the private land the group used for practices is in the same area and no complaints about the noise were received by the county or the sheriff's office.

He pointed out that races would be conducted once a month, a designer would lay out the track, members would wet down the route to decrease dust and high banks around the area would help contain the noise.

That's when Lonnie Bellon ask commissioners to help find another site, if the landfill isn't a possibility.

"I just want a place for my sons to ride legally," he said.

FORT: Several speakers from several different agencies will be attending

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rights could not be severed from the fort land and preservation would be required, Williams said he wasn't satisfied the changes properly protected the property about 12 miles northeast of Ruidoso.

Although he wasn't aware at the time, a group from Lincoln County intended to ask the judiciary committee reviewing the bill that day to table it and give fort boosters another year

to come up with a plan to convert the complex into a living museum.

The coalition of representatives from groups interested in the museum plan went home happy with Williams' decision to withdraw the bill, said Dick Weber, head of Fort Stanton Inc.

While the coalition will have another year to pull things together, the probation and parole division is set to move ahead with starting an alcohol

and drug rehabilitation program in a section of the fort, according to the director.

Initially 40 inmates will be housed there, but if the program is successful, that number could increase to 80, he said last week.

County Manager Tom Stewart has lined up a roster of speakers for the town hall meeting that include Les Swindle of the property control division, speaking about state requirements and expectations, Jane

Jenkins with the National Historic Trust, Stephanie Gainey of the New Mexico Preservation Alliance, Eb Roberson from the federal Bureau of Land Management, Van Shamblin sitting in for Weber, professor Jon Hunter with New Mexico State University, Lee Simmons, manager of the Bureau of Indian Affairs agency on the Mesalero Apache Reservation and Freddie Kaydahzinne, tribal administrator.

"The list is evolving all of the time," Stewart said.

CONSTRUCTION: Larson said project modifications could cost millions

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"MVCI took this action after trying and failing to coerce the Department, in exchange for not going to the press, into agreeing to arbitrate all MVCI's claims instead of adhering to the express terms of the contracts which limit arbitration,"

said Rahn. He also called Meadow Valley's actions "highly improper."

But referring to five road projects contracted to Meadow Valley in Lincoln and Otero Counties, Larson said the delays that have plagued the projects are not attributable to Meadow Valley.

"In reality most of the prob-

lems stem from the poor quality of the contract plans and documents we have been provided by the Department, the Department's failure to act in a timely manner, or to the discovery of unexpected and unforeseen conditions, which are also indicative of the Department's inadequate pre-design investigative work," Larson stated in the letter.

Rahn said much of problem belongs to Meadow Valley. "Our project personnel are required to guarantee that projects are built according to the specifications. If a contractor, through inexperience or impatience, chooses to ignore the specifications, it should expect intransigence by

department project personnel."

"We are making every effort to overcome these issues that have hampered us so dramatically and complete these projects as soon as possible," Larson said. "But we cannot be held responsible for the design aspects of these projects. We can only bid on and build what we presume to be properly designed projects."

Larson said the cost of project modifications and weather problems will run into the millions of dollars.

He said once the projects are finished, he would like to sit down with the department and negotiate a resolution to avoid litigation or arbitration.

CLARIFICATION

The regular dinner for two at Victoria's Romantic Hideaway in the Gazebo Plaza is \$150.

Owner Joe Martinez said a

dinner price listed for Victoria's Romantic Hideaway as part of a story Feb. 9 about Valentine's Day was only for the special celebration.



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Capitan Municipal Election 2000 Precinct Three February 8, 2000

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Alfred Larry Monte

The election for Precinct 3 will be held at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds at 101 West Fifth from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Early voting for Precinct 3 will begin on February 16, 2000 at Capitan Village Hall, 114 Lincoln Ave. The hours for early voting will be the regular Village Hall hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The following individuals will serve as precinct board:

Presiding Judge Bertie Beavers
Election Judge/Absentee/Early Jane Livingston
Election Judge/Absentee/Early Kathleen Phillips
Election Clerk/Absentee/Early Darrah Stewart
Election Clerk/Absentee/Early Edith Dobbins
Alternate Lori Roberts
Alternate Barbara Sanchez

Election School will be held on February 29, 2000 at 9:00 a.m. in Ruidoso, New Mexico at the Ruidoso Civic Center.

161 Kathryn F. Griffin
Village Clerk
Capitan Village Hall

Trout fishing changes coming

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Low water flow coupled with the disease problems at two state hatcheries may lead to the stream system around Ruidoso temporarily being limited to "catch-and-release" trout fishing.

The classification would not affect Grindstone Reservoir, Mescalero Lake or Bonito Lake, where fishermen could continue taking home fish for the table, said Jim Shoop, a director of the Ruidoso River Association and owner of Fly's Etc.

Sportsmen, backed by letters from the association and sports clubs, will ask the fishing commission of the state Game and Fish Department to limit fishing to catch-and-release for two years in the Rio Ruidoso and any of its tributaries, including Carrizo Creek, Shoop said Tuesday.

"We want to make sure people realize this doesn't mean they can't fish," Shoop said. "But this is not a typical time and we must look at the renewable resources that are available. If we allow people to take the daily license limit, the resource will be depleted quickly," he said.

State fisheries officials have said some areas may not be stocked with rainbow trout this year, because of poor habitat conditions and because a parasite that causes whirling disease in trout has damaged one, possible two, hatcheries.

Parents irate about handling of bomb threat

BY JAMES KALVELAGE
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Some parents of Capitan students voiced displeasure with the handling of last week's bomb scare at the schools complex.

During a Tuesday morning meeting, between staff and about 20 parents, Diana Billingsley, superintendent, said some procedures need to be worked on.

Several parents said there were students, who were bussed home early following the 12:30 p.m. bomb threat on Thursday, and had no parents waiting for their arrival.

"The reason I let the buses go early was they (police) said they were going to close (Highway) 380," said Frances Traylor, the district's business manager for transportation.

"The buses left about ten

minutes early."

Suggestions were made to improve the dispersal of information, perhaps through a phone chain with parents, or better information to area radio stations.

"The radio said something was detonated," said Shelly Jones, a parent. "It sounded like there was an explosion in a building. You need to make sure the right story gets out."

Other parents said students, who were shuffled outside, were subjected to the cool, windy weather for hours.

"I don't think the kids should be left outside for that amount of time," said David Stevens. "I don't think three to three-and-a-half hours in the weather is good."

School Board President Tom Trost said keeping the pupils in one area, away from the school buildings, allowed

staff to know where everyone was.

High school students, who had vehicles at school, were allowed to leave early.

Other pupils waited for school buses.

"We were in a crisis situation, and I think it was handled very well," said Trost. "I know there are things that can be improved, but I think the staff did very well."

The district's policy for bomb threats states student vehicles will remain on campus.

It also spells out nearby buildings students will be evacuated to in the event of inclement weather.

Stevens called the incident "a wake-up call," that should be analyzed, to determine what went right and what went wrong.

Billingsley said district

principals would meet to debrief on the incident.

Officials will look at what procedures, spelled out in the district's emergency handbook, can be strengthened.

An afternoon meeting is scheduled for today to look at changes in the emergency situations procedures.

At the request of a parent, a condensed version of the emergency procedures may be printed for distribution to parents.

Darrel Stierwalt, principal at Capitan High School, said Lincoln County Crimestoppers will be asked to put up a reward, for information leading to a suspect in the bomb threat.

Dennis Vega, a patrolman with the Capitan Police Department was the first officer to respond to the bomb threat.

Chamber to consider business alternatives on Thursday

Summit to focus on no-snow outlook

BY JAMES KALVELAGE
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Ruidoso, with a singular lack of snow, will be the subject of a Winter Mountain Summit Thursday.

The Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce has called the summit, to address what

can be done as a business community to overcome the unseasonable winter.

The summit will take place Thursday from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., at the Best Western Swiss Chalet's Sierra Blanca Room.

"How a-ski community can

succeed in business without really any snow" will be the topic for discussion, said Joan Zagone, the chamber's executive director.

The meeting is looking for representatives from each financial institution in the area to participate in the discussion.

Also invited are Gene Simmons, from the Small Business Development Center office in Roswell, Riker Davis of Ski Apache, Robyn Cooper from the Ruidoso Convention Center, and officials from Grindstone Graphics, who do Ruidoso area promotion work.

"It is our hope that all of us can help educate one another on the importance of

preparing ahead of time for economic times such as these," Zagone said in letters to financial institutions.

"We are having kind of a tough winter season," said Steve Tally, president of the chamber. "We're asking the bankers to come, to hear from our business community, to give comments, and let the businesses know there are others in the same boat."

The summit, the first in several years according to Tally, is open to all in the business community.

For more information about the summit, the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce can be reached at 257-7395.

FUNERALS DEATHS

Charlotte H. Starnes

Memorial services for Charlotte Henderson Starnes, 80, of Ruidoso and formerly of El Paso, Texas, will be at 1 p.m. today, Feb. 23, in the Trinity-First United Methodist Church in El Paso with Dr. Bradace Elkins officiating.

Mrs. Starnes died Friday, Feb. 18, 2000, in Ruidoso. She was born Oct. 18, 1919, in Carlisle, Ark.

She was past president of the Women's Club of El Paso, a member of El Paso Country Club and active in the women's golf association, volunteer auxiliary for Providence Memorial Hospital, and a member of Trinity-First United Methodist Church, where she was a member of the MIZPHA Sunday school class and a home-maker.

She moved to Ruidoso in

September of 1999 from El Paso, where she had lived since 1953.

She married Jack T. Starnes July 19, 1946, in Little Rock, Ark. He died in 1977.

Survivors include a son, Michael B. Reveley, and his wife, Anne Platt Reveley, of Ruidoso and formerly of El Paso; a sister, June Pabian of Ponte Vedra, Fla.; grandchildren Samantha Reveley, James Haddad, Starnes Reveley and Connor Reveley, all of Ruidoso.

The family suggests memorials to the Hospice of Lincoln County, 116 Nob Hill, Ruidoso, N.M. 88345.

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OUR OPINION

A careless moment takes three lives

The District Attorney's findings are in: The man whose big truck took three lives in the Hondo Valley last month has been cited for careless driving.

Bruce Miller, 45, of Brampton, Ontario, Canada, could be fined \$1,000 and jailed for 90 days because he was careless in driving his 18-wheeler on U. S. Highway 70 on Jan. 8 when it collided with a van carrying members of an Alamogordo church to a service at Tinnie. Three church members died and others were injured.

District Attorney Scot D. Key, after exhaustive examination of the police reports and forensic evidence, concluded that the driver was not under the influence of any alcohol or drug and was driving within the speed limit when the accident occurred. Further, the van driver slowed to turn off the road, turn-signal blinking, then realized it was the wrong location, canceled the turn signal and speeded up.

That was when the crash occurred, sending the van 500 feet into a field and creating a tragedy for three families and many Alamogordo church members.

Key stated it simply: "Careless driving cannot be used as a predicate for a vehicular homicide or involuntary manslaughter charge."

Such is the law. And such is the pain of tragedy without criminal intent. The driver exhibited careless driving in driving, and people died; legally he was merely guilty of a misdemeanor. Civil liability is the remaining recourse for the families.

Meanwhile the big rigs roar through the Hondo Valley, and there is no guarantee that other drivers will not be careless in operating their vehicles.

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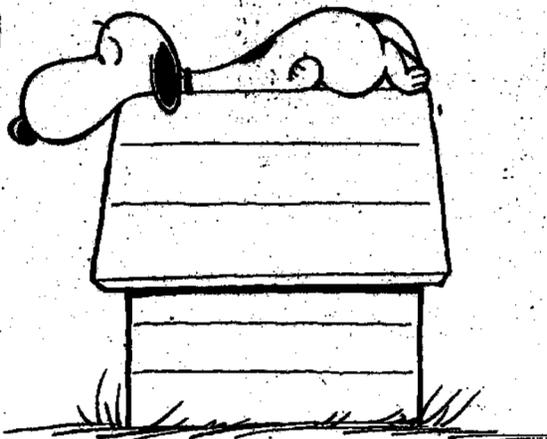
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YOUR OPINION

Non-voters, thank those who do vote

To the editor:

Pathetically, the vast majority of Lincoln County's eligible adults do not vote during school-related elections. Public school graduates, who paid for your education?

Across our county, there are too many freeloaders who are not contributing to our republic, but are reaping its benefits. I'm talking about the non-voters.

There is no such thing as a representative democracy (republic) without voters. Maintaining our republic and freedoms is more important than the election results.

I have, actually, met parents who have never voted. Unbelievable, but true.

Non-voters, be sure to thank the voters, because if no one voted, we would all be living in a dictatorship. "The worst democracy is better than the best dictatorship!"

Franklin P. Boren
Tinnie

'It takes a Yankee'

To the editor:

We had a town water meeting in Nogal the other night. My guess is that there were about 30 people there, quite a showing for our little community. I've

been in Nogal for four years and we rarely gather together except for fire meetings, softball, or harvest fests.

I must compliment Bob Moeller for his organizational skills and for taking the time to get everyone's attention. It seems that in small towns like ours as long as we have water in the tap and the forest doesn't catch fire everyone is happy. It is easy to take things for granted when no immediate threat is present. On that note I would also compliment Everett Greer, Marlow Sharpe and our volunteer fire department for making such complacency possible.

The meeting had several positive outcomes. We (could see) who amongst us was willing and able to work to assure our future ability to quench our thirsts and fires. We also affirmed that the community spirit still exists here when the question arose as to whether we should honor the proxies (absentee votes) as we had in the past...our respect for our fellow property owners and the values of tradition showed through and we banded together a little closer. It is reassuring to know that I live in a place where when people are called together they can still work with each other for the common good.

To me the community spirit is an American tradition that

has suffered much as our cities and towns continue to grow larger. It is far too easy to sit back and let other people make our choices for us. I am grateful that I live in a place that still has people who are willing to take the time and effort to get involved. I hope that none of us forgets to make that effort on future issues. Maybe it just "takes a yankee" to remind us of that.

Cathie Eisen
Nogal

Questions for voters

To the editor:

Before voting in the upcoming election, please ask your selves the following questions:

Is it more important for me and my family to have an adequate water supply and other necessary services or a recreation facility that will be used by a very small percentage of the population?

Is there, or is there not, a severe water supply problem in Ruidoso? (Hard to answer due to conflicting reports reported in the paper). The Mayor said with an expenditure of \$17 million over 20 years our water supply will be assured. However, the Water Department has put us on Phase III, a severe water supply condition in February, when there is only a 15

percent of average snowpack... Is there a sufficient water supply to fight a major fire in the Upper Canyon and in another area simultaneously?

...Would the \$6 million construction and associated maintenance costs of the Rec Center be better utilized in improving our water system?

Instead of pushing for more construction growth, would current residents be better served if the top priority of our elected officials were centered on development and maintenance of resources required for current residents rather than what is necessary to continue a rapid growth of the village...?

Should current residents bear the cost of future real estate development through higher service fees or bond issuance? Why was the impact fee chopped in its entirety rather than being reduced to a more reasonable amount?

While I am certain that our mayor and council members are doing what they feel is in the best interests of the community, I could not help but notice, in the recently published biographical data, that three of the five positions of our elected officials are or have been associated with real estate connected enterprises.

Steve Carri
Ruidoso

GUEST COMMENTARY

It's time to remove the 'marriage penalty'

BY JIM CAMPI
CITIZENS AGAINST GOVERNMENT WASTE

Someone once said that many torments lie in the small circle of a wedding ring. Certainly, every marriage has its ups and downs. But of all the problems that can conspire to thwart marital bliss, none are as burdensome and unfair as those imposed by the federal tax code.

For years, Congress has been trying to balance out two competing interests — progressive tax rates and fair treatment of married couples. And as with most things Congress sets its collective genius to accomplishing, it has failed abysmally. Since 1948, lawmakers have allowed small disparities to creep into the tax code that have, with changes in demographics, become yawning chasms.

You see, unlike most industrial nations, the United States imposes taxes on couples, not individuals. The American Institute of Certified Public Accountants estimates that there are at least 63 provisions in the internal revenue code where tax liability depends on a taxpayer's marital status.

To make matters worse, the tax code actually penalizes couples for being married. For example, the standard deduction for single taxpayers is \$4,250. Therefore, the deduction for a married couple should logically be \$8,500 — twice that amount. But it's not. The standard deduction for a married couple is only \$7,100 — 1,400 less than it would be if the two remained unwed.

The tax brackets themselves are equally unfair. Under current tax law, a single taxpayer enters the 28 percent tax bracket at \$25,350. However, a married couple enters that bracket at just \$42,350. With a more equitable tax code, the benchmark for that bracket would be \$50,000.

Despite these drawbacks, there is an upside... According to the Congressional Budget Office, some couples actually receive a so-called "marriage bonus" — a lower tax liability than they would have received if they filed as individuals. Bonus most often occur

when there are large discrepancies between the incomes of the two earners, or when one spouse earns nothing at all.

According to the Congressional Budget Office, "If marriage penalties and bonuses were small, they would be of little consequence." Taxpayers would not perceive as unfair the small differences... But the penalties and bonuses can be large." Approximately 21 million married taxpayers are victims of the marriage penalty, which amounts to an additional \$1,400 per couple in tax liability. In some cases the penalty can reach as high as \$20,000 annually.

As with any other tax cut proposal, President Clinton is eager to appear both for and against it simultaneously. In response to a question about the marriage penalty, Clinton remarked, "On principle, I don't like the marriage penalty...I don't think any American could. On the other hand, it's like every other tax cut — there are a lot of tax cuts that might be desirable, but how would you pay for them?"

The most equitable solution to the marriage penalty would be instituting either a flat tax or national sales tax. However, given the current political environment, neither seems likely to be implemented in the near future.

In the meantime, Congress is considering less comprehensive reforms to address the marriage penalty, such as expanding the 15 percent tax bracket and increasing deductions for married couples. These adjustments alone would save married taxpayers an estimated \$182 billion over ten years.

Simple justice dictates that marriage should not increase tax liability. The time has come for Congress to tackle the marriage penalty. Legislation to eliminate the penalty would not only give 21 million taxpayers much needed relief, but would also demonstrate Washington's commitment to both fairness and families.

The writer is media director of Citizens Against Government Waste, a 600,000-member nonpartisan, nonpolitical organization dedicated to eliminating waste, fraud, mismanagement and abuse in government.

Downs to seek plan for fire station, community center

BY JAMES KALVELAGE
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The Village of Ruidoso Downs will have a site plan prepared for property that could become home to a new fire station and community center.

The decision followed cancellation of an emergency meeting that had been scheduled for Feb. 10. The agenda item, "discussion of community center," was then placed on last week's regular council meeting.

Beginning the discussion, Mayor Joe Hayhurst said "I though I was just doing my job. We have it in our budget to do a gym-community center."

Since early January village public works crews have been hauling dirt to the 7 1/2 acre

U.S. 70 property location purchased for a new fire station. More than 2,000 yards of material has been spread at the location.

"My understanding was the fire department was going in first," trustee Judy Miller told Hayhurst.

"We're working on both of them," Hayhurst said of the fire station and community center.

That response brought criticism from some residents, who questioned why a plan hasn't been undertaken to determine the best use of the land.

"We all went down there in a van one night, everyone that was right here, and I said this is where we need to put the (community) center, right here. And nobody says yea or nay," Hayhurst said. "But as an

overall plan, there isn't one."

"The concern that I have personally about this moving ahead—are we going to be building the right kind of building at the right place?" said resident Paul Van Gulick, who is a member of the village's Planning and Zoning Board.

"I'm concerned about procedures too, whether or not the monies expended on this have actually been voted on by the council and whether or not they followed village procedures."

Ruidoso Downs purchased the property last September, for \$225,000. Part of a state loan totaling \$386,000 for a new fire station, was used for the acquisition.

Mayor Hayhurst, who said he received a cue from a community survey, said he pre-

sented the plan to add a community center so youth could have a place to play and for community events. Hayhurst envisioned a 100-by-200 foot metal multi-purpose building at the location.

"What's wrong with having a metal building that we can have stuff for our kiddos and for our citizens of this village?" Hayhurst asked.

"If we're going to spend a half-million dollars, we need some planning," said trustee Judy Miller.

"Mayor, my understanding is you thought you were doing what you thought the people wanted. And my understanding is that the trustees didn't exactly vote on what you thought you were doing. And that's the whole issue, said audience member Wayne Fair-

cloth. "So why don't you act on this. Either you do it or you don't."

"What we want to do is get a plan for this land," responded trustee Jackie Branum, who forwarded a motion to seek a request for proposals for development of a site plan.

Included in the site plan requirements would be a building with some gymnasium amenities for youth recreation.

Village administrator Bob Durrett will write a resolution for the Feb. 28 council meet-

ing, calling for a request for proposals for a site plan. The plan would be required to show how a fire station, expandable community center, parking, and possibly a storage area for village heavy equipment would fit on the property.

"What we'd like to see is a plan," Branum said. "A plan that we could put up here and show people and say this is where the building's going, this is where we're going to add on, this is the walking track, this is the parking."

County plan to sue Forest Service 'on hold'

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A request for the Lincoln County Commission to sue the chief of the U.S. Forest Service was put on hold Thursday.

Commissioners agreed something needs to be done to speed up the rehabilitation of the county watershed, primarily on federal forest land, but they weren't convinced going to court is the answer, they said.

"I'm not sure what the first step should be, but we're not ready to file a lawsuit," said Chairman Rex Wilson. "We need to look at the administrative alternatives first and in the meantime, the commission can send a statement to Washington and have Jerry Hawkes (Smokey Bear District ranger) come in and brief us and move the issue forward."

Pamela Lewis, of the county's Agricultural and Rural Affairs Committee, said the area's watershed was dis-

cussed during a committee meeting Feb. 9. Members agreed that Forest Service Chief Mike P. Dombeck needed "a wake-up call" to give local districts more money.

"They can't do more controlled burning, because they don't have enough personnel," Lewis said.

She passed around copies of a letter from Dombeck to Forest Service employees dated March 2, 1998, which repeatedly referred to the restoration of watersheds as top priority. He specifically cited the need for more money from Congress to increase controlled burns and over the next five years to double the amount of thinning of trees in unnaturally dense forest stands, particularly along the urban-wildland interface that characterizes the Ruidoso area.

"A 10- to 12-foot juniper drinks from 25,000 gallons to 30,000 gallons of water per day," Lewis said, pointing to

the need to reduce junipers on private and public property.

Poor management of the watershed is robbing the county of its water, said J. Zane Walley with The Paragon Foundation, which is looking at legal action against the Forest Service. Before a lawsuit can be filed, all administrative remedies must be exhausted, he said.

The federal agency is charged with maintaining a sustainable timber harvest and providing a health watershed.

"It doesn't do either anymore," Walley said. "We're sitting on a time bomb with the fuel load at such a dangerous level when the next big fire hits, we'll see loss of life and the forest floor scorched."

YOUR VOTE COUNTS

According to unofficial results, Hondo voters passed a general obligations bond with 48 ballots in favor of the measure and 45 opposing it. But the public schools capital improvement question, which meant \$35,000 this year, failed 44-43.

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The *RUIDOSO NEWS* is proud to present the event that brings Lincoln County residents together to voice their challenges and share solutions. This year's topics are based on a reader's survey collected last year. On March 31, we will present panel discussions on water resources; affordable housing, growth and economic development.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the New Mexico Public Regulation Commission ("Commission") will conduct public comment hearings regarding the application of GTE Southwest, Inc. ("GTE") for authority to discontinue service and the application of VALOR Telecommunications of New Mexico, LLC, ("VALOR"), for a Certificate of Financial and Technical Competency and for a Certificate of Operating Authority to Provide local exchange services in New Mexico. VALOR proposes to furnish basic local exchange and exchange access services within the New Mexico territory currently served by GTE. The Commission is charged with determining whether the applications are in the public interest and conform to all applicable laws and Commission rules.

The Hearing Examiner assigned to this case issued a procedural order on January 28, 2000. The procedural order states that a public hearing will be held beginning at 9:30 a.m. on April 4, 2000, at the offices of the Commission, Marlan Hall, 224 East Palace Avenue, Santa Fe, New Mexico. The statewide public comment hearings scheduled in this Notice are in addition to the public hearing scheduled for April 4 at the Commission's offices in Santa Fe. The public comment hearings shall be held at the following dates, times and locations.

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2. Hobbs: Thursday, March 9, 2000, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon
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Hobbs, NM 88240
3. Carlsbad: Friday, March 10, 2000, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon
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Public comments are encouraged and will be accepted at these hearings. In addition, public comments will be accepted at the beginning of the public hearing in Santa Fe on April 4, 2000 at the time and location stated above.

A copy of this Notice shall be sent to all persons in the Telecommunications Service List and the attached service list, to any other person requesting service, and shall be published by the Applicants in a non-legal section of local newspapers in the territory currently served by GTE and in the *Albuquerque Journal*.

Interested persons should contact the Commission to confirm the date, time and place of the public hearings since hearings are occasionally rescheduled. Any person with a disability requiring special assistance in order to participate in this proceeding should contact the offices of the Commission at least 24 hours prior to the commencement of the hearing.

In accordance with 17 NMAC 1.2.32.2.2, this Order is being signed by the Chairman of the Commission or another Commissioner designated by the Chairman to issue this Order.

ISSUED at Santa Fe, New Mexico this 11th day of February, 2000.


COMMISSIONER

Noce murder case goes directly to District Court

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A preliminary hearing on a murder charge against Pete Louis Noce set for Friday was waived by his attorney. The case will be transferred to the 12th Judicial District Court in Carrizozo for a trial to be scheduled. Noce is accused of killing John Mirabal, 29, in the parking lot of the victim's Ruidoso condominium Aug.

22, 1999. Preliminary hearings are conducted in magistrate court, where the prosecution must convince a judge that "probable cause" exists to believe a defendant committed the crime. If the prosecution fails, the judge could dismiss the charge at the magistrate level. District Attorney Scot Key will prosecute the case, court officials said. Attorney Gary Mitchell represents

Noce. According to court records, Noce, 36, and a friend, Jack Stepp of Las Cruces, were drinking at The Quarters bar in Ruidoso. They argued over Mirabal's girlfriend in the bar parking lot about 1:30 a.m. Mirabal and his companions drove to their condominium at The Village Lodge on Mecham Drive. Noce and Stepp followed them.

Court records reflect that witnesses claim Noce went to the passenger side of Mirabal's car and "a scuffle ensued." A witness said the victim yelled, "Help me get the gun away from him," and then a shot was heard. As the two women drove away, they heard Mirabal say, "Hey, hey" and saw him run after the vehicle. When they stopped, he fell. They put him in the vehicle and

drove him to the Lincoln County Medical Center, where he was pronounced dead. The women saw Noce in Stepp's vehicle and noted the license plate number, which police officers said helped them track the friend and interview him in Las Cruces. Noce was arrested Aug. 26 in Silver City and was brought back to Lincoln County.

How N.M. got fort

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

When the federal government conveyed Fort Stanton to the state, no direct money was involved. On June 15, 1956, the fort changed hands for \$851,915.73 with the condition that the state didn't have to pay cash for the fort if it continued to be used for health purposes, Lincoln County Manager Tom Stewart said recently.

After reviewing documents connected to that conveyance, Stewart said the state each year earned a 5 percent "public benefit allowance" against the debt by performing health services at the fort.

The stipulation required that the use of the fort for health purposes continue for 20 years from the date of Sept. 13, 1955, unless the secretary of Health and Welfare gave written consent to change the conditions. During that period, the state was not to dispose of the property or encumber it without written federal approval.

Each year for the next 20 years, the state was to file a report reviewing its use of the fort.

In 1977, a document was filed noting that the conditions

- Acquisition dates**
- New Mexico acquired Fort Stanton from the feds like this:
 - Sept. 13, 1955; health service work-off starts
 - 1956, State pays \$851,915
 - 1976, title issued after 20 years elapse

of sale expired on June 15, 1976 and that the federal government waived its right to enter the property at any time to determine if its contract with the state had been breached.

Title was issued to the state at that time. The next use of the fort 12 miles northeast of Ruidoso probably will be as a drug and rehabilitation center for state prison inmates on parole.

Mark Moores from the state General Services Department, which supervises state property, said the privately run program will be responsible for the buildings it uses in the program. The Corrections Department is no longer involved.

The GSD asked the state Legislature to approve money

for maintenance of portions of the fort complex not being used by the California-based Amity Foundation for the remainder of the current year and for next year, Moores said.

Maintaining the operation of the local volunteer fire department is part of that request, he said.

State Rep. Dub Williams, R-Glencoe, said he's not sure that budget survived.

The director of state probation and parole said the treatment center was put on hold during the legislative session when a bill was introduced to sell the fort.

After the bill was withdrawn toward the end of the session, he said he hoped to start the program by late June.

Nick Skogland, who took over maintenance when a women's prison closed at the fort last August, said officials from Corrections were at the fort two weeks ago to notify him and Sam Townley, a plumber, that their last day will be Feb. 29.

The two hope GSD will hire them so that they can continue in state jobs, he said. Skogland has worked in various capacities at the fort through several state transitions.

Society lists history programs

Seven programs and field trips are scheduled by the Lincoln County Historical Society this year for members and guests.

They include an adobe workshop, a field trip to Victorio Peak and a pot luck dinner and slide presentation on the ranching heritage of the county.

The programs listed are:
• April 8, "Billy Mathews of Lincoln County War Fame," presented by Elvis Flemming, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Old San Juan Church in Lincoln.

• April 29, a field trip conducted by Karl Laumbach, principal archaeological investigator for Human Systems Research Inc., to the Garrett Ranch site, the Cox San Augustin Ranch and the Fountain murder site. All are within a short distance of each other on the east side of San Augustin Pass between Alamogordo and Las Cruces.

• May 26-27, an adobe workshop co-sponsored by the society and the Lincoln State Monument.

• June 17, a Chautauqua presentation called "Erna Ferguson (1884-1968) New Mexico First lady of Letters," presented by Deborah Blanche at 7 p.m. in the Hubbard Museum of the American West in Ruidoso Downs.

• Aug. 19, "The Indian Wars Trooper: His Weapons and Equipment," presented by Ira Rabke, tentatively set for Fort Stanton and co-sponsored by the Lincoln State Monument.

• Sept. 23, a field trip to Victorio Peak and the Hembrijo Canyon Battlefield.

• Oct. 21, a pot luck, music and slide presentation by Hollis Fuch on the ranching heritage of Lincoln County at the Carrizozo Woman's Club.

Individual and family memberships in the historical society are \$20 per year, a life membership is \$150 and a student membership up to 18 years old is \$10.

For more information, contact Lynda Sanchez, vice president and program chair at (505) 652-4821.

River clean-up volunteers sought

Volunteers are needed to work on committees for the annual River Clean Up campaigns of the Ruidoso River Association.

The date for the clean up event and to coincide with National River Clean Up Week. To volunteer, contact Dick Wisner at (505) 257-9494.



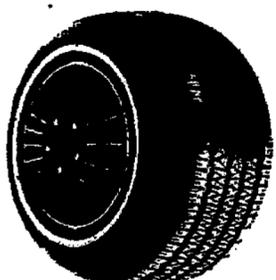
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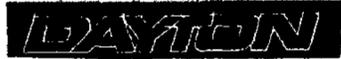


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Lifts open: Chairs 2 (midway), 3, 4, 5, 7 and 8, including the Kiddie Korral with Pinocchio surface lift.
Hours of operation: 8:45 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Regular season ticket prices: adults \$40, children \$25.

This week

Thursday, Feb. 24
Prep boys basketball
District 6AA Tournament
District 3A Tournament
Friday, Feb. 25
Prep boys basketball
Ruidoso at home vs. Cobre (W, JV, Fr), 4 p.m.
District 6AA Tournament
District 3A Tournament
Prep girls basketball
District 3AAA Tournament: Ruidoso at home vs. winner Santa Teresa/Cobre, 7 p.m.

Scoreboard

Thursday, Feb. 17
Prep boys basketball
Dora 64, Honda 58
Prep girls basketball
District 6AA Tournament: Capitan 34, Dexter 27
District 3A Tournament: Corona 50, Honda 40
Friday, Feb. 18
Prep boys basketball
Hot Springs 44, Ruidoso 43 OT
Capitan 95, Tularosa 34
Carrizozo vs. Mesilla Valley cancelled
Tahillies 83, Corona 48
Saturday, Feb. 19
Prep girls basketball
Hot Springs 61, Ruidoso 46,
District 3A Tournament: Carrizozo 48, Corona 26
Prep wrestling
14th place at State Tournament

Pecking Order

Mescalero Parks & Rec
Men's Basketball League Standings through Feb. 15

Team	W	L	Pct.
Alamo Pipe	6	0	1.000
The Players	6	1	.857
Tulie Bad Boys	6	2	.750
Cuties	5	2	.714
Julian G.	4	2	.666
Sierra Blanca Slammers	3	3	.500
Hardwood Thunder	2	5	.286
Brew Crew	2	5	.286
Oliver O's	2	5	.286
Renegades	0	6	.000
Forty Minutes Plus	0	6	.000

Results for Feb. 20
Oliver O's 103, Renegades 38
The Players 64, Forty Minutes Plus 53
Alamo Pipe 49, Julian G. 47
Tulie Bad Boys 78, Cuties 72

Results for Feb. 21
Oliver O's 75, Hardwood Thunder 66

Games for Feb. 27
7:30 p.m. - Julian G. vs. Sierra Blanca Slammers

Games for Feb. 28
6:30 p.m. - Alamo Pipe vs. Renegades
7:30 p.m. - Sierra Blanca Slammers vs. Brew Crew
8:30 p.m. - Cuties vs. Forty Minutes Plus

Games for Feb. 29
6:30 p.m. - Hardwood Thunder
7:30 p.m. - Renegades vs. Alamo Pipe
8:30 p.m. - The Players vs. Julian G.

On Deck

Softball meeting set
A softball meeting for all coaches, managers and players interested in the men's and women's 2000 season softball league will be held at 6 p.m. Thursday at the Ruidoso Senior Citizen's Center. It is important that a representative from each team attend the meeting. Topics to be discussed include fees, insurance, rule changes and league bylaws. For more information, call 257-5030.

Capitan Park Run
The 18th annual Capitan Park Run will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday at Capitan 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. Registration is \$9. For more information, contact the Roswell Recreation Department at (505) 824-6720.

March Madness Basketball Tourney
The fourth annual March Madness mens 6-foot and under plus one basketball tournament will be held March 10-12 in Mescalero. The first 16 teams to register will play. The entry fee is \$175, with a non-refundable \$100 deposit due no later than March 3. Prizes will be awarded to the top four teams. Awards will be given for most valuable player, most 3-point shots, hustler, most points and sportsmanship. Two players per team will be picked for the all-tournament guard. For more information, call Abraham or Gina Chee at 257-7497.

Hodges is second in state at heavyweight

BY KAREN BOEHLER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

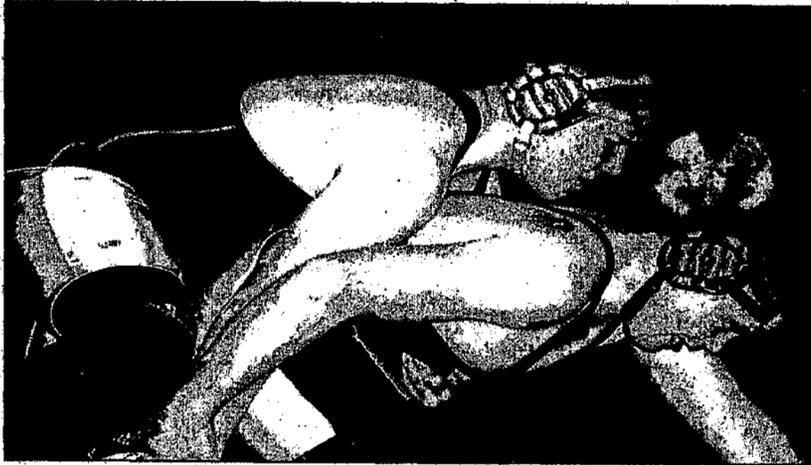
KIRTLAND - So close, and yet so far. The Warrior wrestling team didn't break or even match any records as far as medals won at the state tournament Friday and Saturday, but it did come close, with three wrestlers just one match away from the medal round, and two others making it to consolation-round action Saturday.

And sophomore heavyweight wrestler Patrick Hodges did something no Warrior has done in at least 10 years — make it to Saturday's championship round, where he finished just short of the title, falling 5-0 to Silver's David Turrieta, who also defeated Hodges at the district meet.

Even more than the championship round, Hodges' semi-final round Saturday afternoon was the highlight of the tournament, at least for Warrior fans.

Facing No. 1 seed Tim Wagoner of Aztec, Hodges led throughout the match — but just barely. With the home-town folks screaming for Wagoner, he tied the Warrior with just seconds left in the final period, then appeared to take a win with an escape at the buzzer. Hodges looked stunned, just kneeling on the mat, then rising to hug his opponent.

But Ruidoso coach Jerrett Perry argued the escape had come after time



State runner up, Ruidoso heavyweight wrestler Patrick Hodges tries to take No. 1 seed Tim Wagoner of Aztec to the mat during the semifinal round of the state wrestling tournament. Aztec won the team title, but Hodges won the individual match, sending him to the championship round.

ran out, and the officials agreed, sending the match into overtime.

The wrestlers went back to the mat, and Hodges sent Wagoner to the mat, taking the victory and starting a frenzy among the rest of the Warriors.

Hodges said he surprised even himself with that win.

"I couldn't believe it myself," he said. "But I'm proud. This was a goal, and I got there. I'm going to come back next year and take the whole thing."

Perry agrees.

"I'm extremely proud of him," the coach said. "He's a sophomore and he's a state finalist. We feel like he's going to

be a two-time state champion."
Three Ruidoso wrestlers just missed the medal round, falling in consolation action.

Shawn Gurule, 103, lost to Jorge Chee of Shiprock, Cade Hall, 130, was edged by Eugene Tellez of Grants and Keith Bassett, 215, fell to Chris Ruiz of Taos.

Earlier Saturday, Austin Ritter, 145, fell in the fourth round of consolation action to home-town boy Jacob Collins of Kirtland Central. And despite nursing a possibly broken hand, Grant Brumlow, 160, fought gamely against Jesse Diaz of Cobre, but lost 8-6 in overtime.

"We wrestled well," Perry said. "We had a couple of letdowns, but when you go to the state championship, the semifinals, that's the cream of the crop, the best of the best in New Mexico. And we were one point away in some cases, and some of those were with younger kids, and that's exciting."

On the team level, Aztec claimed yet another state title, with Moriarty second and Silver third. Ruidoso finished in 14th place with 60 points. Perry expects that to change next year.

"The future is very bright," he said. "Our expectations are going to quadruple, and we're going to see if we can take home a state trophy next year."

Complete team and Ruidoso results will be in Friday's *Ruidoso News*.

Hot Springs edges Lady Warriors

BY CHARLES FLANARY
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

The Hot Springs Lady Tigers terminated Ruidoso's hopes of tying for the second place spot in district Saturday, edging the Warriors 61-46 in the final regular-season game of the season.

The Lady Warriors (7-14, 4-4) came out strong and played tough in the first quarter, leading the Tigers 9-5 with a little more than two minutes remaining. The Tigers, however, kept the Warriors from scoring for the rest of the quarter, while putting in eight points of their own to take a 13-9 lead.

Hot Springs started the second quarter with the ball and made the first score of the quarter — a free throw. With seven minutes left on the clock, Crystal Rojas made two 3-point shots to bring the Warriors back into the lead, 15-14.

Ruidoso played very tough defensively and stayed inside their own 3-point arc the entire night, never pressing the Tigers. Ruidoso's aggressive playing brought the Tigers to the line for four points in a row, putting Hot Springs in the lead again. With around three minutes left in the half, the Tigers had two baskets resulting from steals and lengthened their lead to seven points, 23-16.

The Tigers gave the Warriors a full-court press most of the half.



Rising above the crowd, Mindy Brunell shoots for two while surrounded by a pack of Lady Tigers.

"One of the main things that helped us was our press right at first because we got all those field goals and got ahead, but then we let down," the Hot Springs coach said.

The Tigers were unable to keep the Warriors from finishing it on top, 25-24, after Carrie Line sunk a two-pointer in the last seconds.

Ruidoso started the third with the ball and Amanda Fleck opened the quarter with a two-pointer. This basket gave them a three-point lead over the Tigers. Hot Springs then stayed close behind until around three minutes remaining when they tied it up at 32-31.

See LADIES, page 2B

Capitan girls split in tournament

BY KAREN BOEHLER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

CAPITAN — The Lady Tigers did what they needed to do Thursday: defeat Dexter to guarantee a trip to the regional tournament. But then, despite a solid effort Saturday, Capitan fell to Tularosa, giving the Tigers second place in District 6AA.

Capitan 34, Dexter 27
Thursday's semi-final round action against the Demons started slowly, with Dexter taking a very slim 6-2 lead after one quarter. But Capitan slowly fought back, tying the game at 12-12 on a three pointer by Alicia Garcia late in the second, then tying it with a pair of free throws by Lindsey Bush just before the half.

The third quarter was another low-scoring affair, with Capitan outscoring the Demons 6-5. But the Tigers took their first lead late in the quarter at 20-19, and although Dexter tied it on a free throw early in the final stanza, Capitan never trailed again.

While there wasn't much scoring, Tiger coach Bryan Massé said rebounds were key.

"Especially on the offensive boards, because we were getting two, three, four shots and we got after the loose balls pretty well," he said. "We pretty much held them to one down here."

"We really weren't shooting that well. We were a little tight, but we just kept hitting the offensive glass and getting it back and pretty soon we'd get

a foul and we could go to the line and score."

Fouls were the other difference in the game. While both teams went to the line fairly equally, the Demons were having a hard time getting their charity shots in the hoop. Dexter was 7-for-18.

"That was the key to the whole game right there, was missing those free throws," said Demon coach Ruben Campos. "I think we did a pretty good job boxing out. It was just the free throws. They wouldn't go in."

Demon Emmi Trammell led the scoring with 19 points, but Massé said the team wasn't as worried about her this time around.

"We could have held her down a little more, but everybody else would have gotten more," he said. "We felt like we didn't do a very good job on the boards the last couple of times we played them because we gimmicked and worried too much about her. So tonight we tried to just play her straight up so we could get more rebounds."

Campos said his team was more prepared than in their first loss to Capitan, and said his team played "great."

Massé said the same about the Tigers, who gave a solid team effort.

"Alicia (Garcia) did a good job running the team," he said. "Everybody came in and worked hard. Especially Lindsey on the boards and Holly."

In the locker room following the game, the team

See CAPITAN page 2B

Tigers top Warriors in OT

BY KAREN BOEHLER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Ruidoso's Warriors (14-6, 5-1) came that close to continuing their undefeated district season, but the Hot Springs Tigers put an end to the winning streak, downing Ruidoso 44-43 in overtime in Truth or Consequences Friday.

"It was just a matter of not getting the right shots to fall," said Warrior coach Billy Page. "We definitely had our chances."

As expected, Page said the Tigers played well on their home court, surrounded by screaming supporters. He said the Ruidoso defense was strong, but the Warriors missed some shots they should have made and didn't always capitalize on turnovers by the Tigers.

Nevertheless, he thought the team did well.

"I wasn't upset or anything," Page said. "I thought we should have won it, but we didn't."

Hot Springs led 12-8 after one quarter — after the Warrior's usual slow start — and 21-18 at the half. But the War-

riors outscored the Tigers 15-10 in the third quarter to lead by two points going into the final stanza.

Even late in the game, the Warriors led by two, but Page said there was too much time left on the clock, and Tiger Clifford Thorton made an amazing shot to tie the game at 40-40.

"He just put up a tough shot, and it went in," Page said, explaining the defense did what it was supposed to do — the shot just went in.

One difference in the game may have been that Solomon Barnett, who led the Warrior scoring with 12 points, was in foul trouble early and only played about 12 minutes of the game.

The Warriors only had five free throws all game — all by Barnett — while the Tigers had 16.

J.R. Floyd scored nine for Ruidoso and Mike Blank eight.

Despite the loss, the Warriors are still in first place in 3AAA, and Page isn't worried.

See WARRIORS, page 2B

Grizzlies down Cardinals to earn District 3A title

BY WENDY WIDENER
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

CARRIZOZO — The Carrizozo Lady Grizzlies (16-3, 6-0) whooped up on the Corona Cardinals (12-5, 3-3) Saturday, taking a 48-26 victory.

The teams were fighting for the district championship, but the Grizzlies stayed on top of their game throughout and Corona just couldn't get it "through for two."

Corona coach Travis Lightfoot shed some light on the tactics of his team.

"The difference in the game is that we shot very poorly," he said. "(We) couldn't make a basket. I don't know if it was nerves. I don't know what it was. The game in my eyes was a lot closer of a game. We just couldn't score. We just couldn't get the baskets. I'm very proud of the way the girls played defensively. I think that they handled that very well. (But) if you can't put points on the board, you're not going to win no matter how good of a defense you've got."

At the end of the first half, the board read 26-12 Carrizozo and after a short pep-talk, the Grizzlies still didn't let up their merciless beating of the Cardi-

nals as the girls just "couldn't score."

With 4:26 left in the third period, the Grizzlies were constantly reminded to just "look at the score and have fun" by the coaches and fans alike.

Defeat for the Cardinals was imminent, but countless interruptions for fouls forced the loss to be drawn out in the last quarter.

Grizzly Renee Rael lead her team with 21 points. Rael was all over the court. From rebounds to side-shots, the senior Grizzley had it going on. Rael was also awarded The Carrizozo Player of the Year award.

The Grizzlies were not lacking a cheering section as Christa Frank's little brother showed overwhelming support from the sidelines and cheered her on as she also made her mark in the game with a total of 12 points.

Corona superstar Sarah Stewart struggled to keep her team afloat, but was not able to keep up with the Grizzlies with her 16 points. Delia Gonzales also assisted Corona with 10 points.

The crowd stayed in the depths of the game as constant

See GRIZZLIES page 2B

Emergency supplement funds granted for use in county

Lincoln County has been chosen to receive \$3,364 to supplement emergency food and shelter programs in the area.

The selection was made by a national board that is chaired by the Federal Emergency Management Agency and consists of representatives from the Salvation Army, American Red Cross, Council of Jewish Federations, Catholic Charities, U.S.A., National Council of Churches of Christ in the U.S.A. and

United Way of America.

The board provides the administrative staff and functions as fiscal agent. The board was charged to distribute funds appropriated by Congress to help expand the capacity of food and shelter programs in high-need areas around the country.

A local board made up of interested persons will determine how the funds awarded to Lincoln County are to be distributed among the emergency foods and shelter pro-

grams run by local service organizations in the area. The local board is responsible for recommending agencies to receive these funds and any additional funds available under this phase of the program.

Under the terms of the grant from the national board, local governmental or private voluntary organizations chosen to receive funds must:

- be nonprofit
- have an accounting system

- practice nondiscrimination
- have demonstrated the capability to deliver emergency food and/or shelter programs
- if they are a private, voluntary organization, they must have a voluntary board.

Qualifying organizations are urged to apply.

In 1999, the Lincoln County Emergency Food and Shelter Board distributed emergency food and shelter funds through Christian Ser-

vices of Lincoln County, 415 Sudderth Drive, in Ruidoso. Christian Services of Lincoln County provided 6,480 meals and 37 nights of lodging with the funding.

Public and private voluntary organizations interested in applying for emergency food and shelter program funds must contact Robert Orr at 257-4773 for an application.

The deadline for applications to be considered for funding is Friday, March 10, 2000.



Three of the planners for the Friday lock-in, "Celebrate Life 2000," discuss the all-night food, DJ dancing and other fun in store for about 500 youth in grades 7-12. They are, left to right: Esther Salas, Heliena Rolph and Lisa Lovelace, all in the tenth grade.

Teen 'lock-in' scheduled Friday at Senior Center

BY SANDY SUGGITT
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Calling all area teens in grades 7-12: Celebrate Life 2000 lock-in is scheduled Friday, 7 p.m.-7 a.m., at the Ruidoso Senior Center for a night of fun and growth.

Anyone can come and go from 7 p.m. until midnight, but then the doors will be locked until the event concludes at 7 a.m. Saturday.

Teen organizers Esther Salas, Heliena Rolph and Lisa Lovelace warn that sleeping will not be allowed, but they say there are enough stimulating activities planned that no one would want to. The event is free and the first 100 youth to show up will receive T-shirts with the "Celebrate Life 2000" logo commemorating the lock-in.

Some of the activities planned are dancing to DJ music, playing games, winning prizes, watching movies, and participating in Gatekeeper Training, which teaches how to identify depressed or suicidal people and how to assist them. Pizza, finger foods, popcorn, vegetables and maybe cotton candy will be available all night.

Christian radio station KLYT, Albuquerque, will broadcast updates on the lock-in to Albuquerque listeners.

Unlike other teen events,

such as the Sept. 27 FunFest at Fun Trackers, no grants were needed to finance this event. It was funded by community donations, said Wanda Gielow de Figueroa, coordinator of the Lincoln County Maternal Child Health Planning Council and one of the planners.

Sponsors include the Youth

Suicide Prevention Task Force, the Lincoln County Community and Youth Asset Building Team, Ruidoso Parks and Recreation, Lincoln County Health and Wellness Board, the DWI Council and Lincoln County Maternal Child Health. Organizers of the event say help from parents is welcome for the event.

Valley of Fires recreation area road sealed

CARRIZOZO - The Valley of Fires Recreation Area west of here on U. S. Highway 380 was closed Friday for road work that should help keep dust down this summer.

Under the supervision of the federal Bureau of Land Management, the park usually offers picnicking and camping overlooking the youngest lava flow in the continental United States.

The flow occurred about 1,500 years ago.

"The recreational vehicle (RV) people who came in were given free passes for two-days with no deadline date on them," said Shirley Rousseau, a volunteer host at the recreation area who worked gate control.

"After initially being unhappy, they left very happy about it."

Dirt and water was hauled into the area to prepare for a sealant to be applied to the roadway on Wednesday, she said.

The recreation area, a popular spot during the summer, should reopen Friday.

Now 8:30 a.m. every Sunday New church changes worship service hours to meet needs

Beginning Sunday, Feb. 20, Abundant Life Family Church-Ruidoso, 2814 Sudderth Drive, is changing its service times from Sunday at 6 p.m. to Sunday at 8:30 a.m.

Serving the village of Ruidoso for the past two years, Abundant Life Family Church-Ruidoso, an affiliate of RHEMA Bible Church, Broken Arrow, Okla., is moving its service time to better meet the spiritual needs of an active communi-

ty, the church advised. Pastor Mark Gentry said "With each of the seasons, those living in this mountain paradise have different interests that reflect the reasons they chose Ruidoso."

Our 8:30 a.m. start time gives the community one more choice for worship."

For more information on Abundant Life Family Church, contact the church office at 257-1188.

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"John Brown's Holy War"

On December 2nd, 1859, a tall, gaunt, fifty-nine-year-old man was executed in Virginia before 1500 armed guards. Just a month earlier, few had heard of John Brown, a former shepherd who had embarked on a violent crusade to end slavery. Now his name divided North from South. Was he a martyr or a madman, a fanatic, or a hero? More than a century later, John Brown remains one of America's most controversial and misunderstood figures.

Born in Connecticut and raised in Ohio, John Brown was the child of devout Calvinists who believed that life on earth was an ongoing trial, and that the true believer had to adhere to a strict code of right and wrong or else answer to God.

By 1831, the anti-slavery movement had spread from Boston to western states. In 1837, the abolitionist publisher Elijah Lovejoy was shot to death in Illinois by a proslavery mob. At a memorial service, Brown rose from his seat and issued a vow: "Here before God, in the presence of these witnesses, I consecrate my life to the destruction of slavery."

"Brown denounced slavery in language fierce and bitter, and thought that slaveholders had forfeited their right to live," noted Frederick Douglass. "He thought that he had no better use for his life than to lay it down in the cause of the slave."

Then, in 1854, Congress passed the Kansas-Nebraska Act, giving settlers the right to decide whether their territories would be slave or free; and outsiders on both sides of the slavery issue began moving in.

By the summer of 1859, Brown had decided to launch his crusade against slavery into the South by attacking the federal arsenal at Harper's Ferry, Virginia.

On the evening of October 16th, 1859, Brown and twenty-one men — fugitive slaves, college students, free blacks, and three of his own sons — quietly entered Harper's Ferry. Outnumbered, the arsenal's single guard surrendered. But then a passenger train started to approach and the baggage master ran to warn the passengers. He was shot and killed, the first victim of Brown's war against slavery in the South: a free black man.

As the news from Harper's Ferry spread to Richmond, a company of Virginia militiamen stormed into town. Soon eight of Brown's men were dead or dying, five others were cut off, and two had escaped.

Although he was completely surrounded, Brown refused to surrender. Marines stormed the building, then captured and held them while a lynch mob howled outside.

Just days after the raid, Brown's trial began. It would take a week. On November 2nd, the jury deliberated for forty-five minutes and reached their verdict: guilty of murder, treason, and inciting slave insurrection. The South rejoiced in Brown's execution.

"John Brown's Holy War" on The American Experience airs Monday, February 28th at 8:00 p.m.
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Eastern New Mexico University, Portales, New Mexico

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EDUCATION BRIEFS



Lincoln County Literacy Council volunteer instructors

Training for ESL tutors offered

The Lincoln County Literacy Council sponsored an English as a Second Language (ESL) Tutor Training on Jan. 29 and Feb. 12.

The tutor trainer was Sandra Hahl of the New Mexico Coalition for Literacy.

She was assisted by Mary Allen, who is seeking her certification as a tutor trainer in ESL.

The 12 people attending the training are now certified through Laubach Literacy as ESL tutors.

A project of Eastern New Mexico University-Ruidoso, the council is an educational non-profit organization.

It provides volunteer tutors to help people to improve their ability to speak, read and write in English.

One in four Lincoln County residents have low literacy skills, the council notes.

Those interested in the program can call for more information on the council, contact Betsy Hambrick at 630-8181 or (800) 934-3668.

Area students win honors at Texas Tech

Amy Laura Andrews of Ruidoso, a senior, made the President's List at Texas Tech University, Lubbock, and Sneha Surendra Sharma of Ruidoso Downs, a junior, made the Dean's List at Texas Tech for the fall semester.

Andrews is the daughter of Dwight Andrews, and Sharma is the daughter of Suren Sharma.

Students on the President's

List earned a 4.0 (A) grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours of class work.

Students on the Dean's List earned a 3.5-3.9 grade point average while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours of class work.

More than 3,700 Texas Tech University student qualified for academic honors lists at the end of the fall semester.

ENMU-Ruidoso seeks scholarship support

BY SANDY SUGGITT
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The drive is on to raise scholarships for the Ruidoso Instruction Center of Eastern New Mexico University. The effort will end March 1.

Director Jim Miller and Tom Rigsby, chair of the college advisory board, are approaching businesses and individuals to persuade them to create scholarships for August and next January, when they are awarded to eligible students.

"Twenty-nine students last fall were eligible for the lottery scholarships, so more students are now applying and taking advantage of the lottery," Miller said.

Rigsby said there will probably be changes with the lottery scholarships, and the college needs to be ready to offset them. The lottery scholarship fund provides that after the first semester students (who meet eligibility criteria) could have all their tuition paid, Rigsby

said. But, Miller said, lottery funds are expected to be \$2.7 million short to cover current students, and that doesn't count new students.

"We're going to have to rely on local scholarships more," Miller said. "This is a growing institution. We've had solid growth, so we've got to keep our scholarship program growing too."

Of the 24 students that will graduate May 15, half attended school on scholarships at one time or another, he said. In all, 96 students received scholarships this school year, for a total of \$81,230.

About 150 scholarships are made available through the college and individual, business and organizational donors, Miller said.

These range in size from the \$50 art supply scholarship donated by Candace Garrett to the \$1,200 scholarship donated by the Hubbard Foundation for a full-time student who is not a recent high school graduate.

The purpose of the program, according to the guide to scholarships, is "to encourage new student enrollment in university class" and "to assist current students in maintaining their enrollment at the Ruidoso Instruction Center ..."

"The community has supported the college since its inception," Rigsby said. "We just feel that that support will continue and there are businesses out there that may not know about it."

Miller said a modest tax deduction is available because the college is non-profit.

Scholarships go beyond the actual money for students' tuition. They provide a "spark of motivation and encouragement, and it really helps them feel good about themselves and gives them energy to go on and complete the thing," Miller said.

Scholarships of any size are welcome, Miller said. For more information, contact him at the college: 257-2120.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Central Office

Wednesday, Feb. 23 - Bilingual staff meeting, 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 24 - ENMU/RMSD planning meeting

Friday, Feb. 25 - Professional Development Day. No school for students. 8:15 a.m. Spencer Theater, all teachers; 8:30 a.m. White Mountain Intermediate, transportation staff. 8:30 a.m. Ruidoso Convention Center, all other staff

Nob Hill

Thursday, Feb. 24 - Good Citizens assemblies at 10:45 a.m. and 2:15 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 25 - District-wide in-service. No school

Sierra Vista Primary School

Wednesday, Feb. 23 - Grade-level meetings at 8 a.m.; first grade meet in Mrs. Coleman's classroom, second grade meeting in Mrs. Sutton's classroom. 8:30-8 p.m., bilingual program at Central Office. Medicaid Time

Study

Thursday, Feb. 24 - Staff evaluations all day. Medicaid Time Study

Friday, Feb. 25 - Certified staff at Spencer Theater for workshops. Classified staff at Ruidoso Convention Center for workshops.

White Mountain Elementary

Wednesday, Feb. 23 - Staff meeting, 8 a.m. in the lounge

Thursday, Feb. 24 - Board visitation at 10 a.m. Random Acts of Kindness winners get

their names on Channel 56.

Friday, Feb. 25 - No school. In-service at Spencer Theater or the Ruidoso Convention Center for certified teachers.

Ruidoso High School

Wednesday, Feb. 23 - Knowledge Bowl

Thursday, Feb. 24 - Teepee serving sweet and sour pork, egg rolls, fried rice, chow mein noodles, coconut cake, tea, lemonade or coffee

Friday, Feb. 25 - No school. All-day in-service.

SCHOOL MENUS

Capitan

Wednesday, Feb. 23 -

Breakfast: French toast, sausage, juice or fruit

Lunch: Chile cheese fries, cornbread, fruit

Thursday, Feb. 24 -

Breakfast: Toast, cereal, jelly, juice or fruit

Lunch: Chicken pot pie, mashed potatoes, rolls, fruit

Friday, Feb. 25 - Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, cereal, juice or fruit

Lunch: Hamburger, lettuce, tomato, pickles, French fries, Jell-O

Monday, Feb. 28 - Breakfast: Omelet, toast, salsa, juice or fruit

Lunch: Fish nuggets, home fries, apple crisp

Tuesday, Feb. 29 - Breakfast: Toast, jelly, cereal, juice or fruit

Lunch: Red enchiladas, lettuce, tomato, garnish, pinto beans, crackers

Nob Hill Early Childhood Center, Sierra Vista Primary, White Mountain Elementary, Intermediate

Wednesday, Feb. 23 - Breakfast: Cereal, graham crackers

Lunch: Mini corn dogs, green beans, fruit

Thursday, Feb. 24 -

Breakfast: Frosted Strawberry Pop Tart, graham crackers

Lunch: Barbecued beef on a bun, potato chips, lettuce and pickle, fruit

Friday, Feb. 25 - Breakfast: Cereal, graham crackers

Lunch: Taco Bell tostada chips, lettuce and tomato, fruit

Monday, Feb. 28 - Breakfast: Cereal, graham crackers

Lunch: Corn dog, green beans, fruit

Tuesday, Feb. 29 - Breakfast: Breakfast pizza

Lunch: Beef taco, refried beans, lettuce and pickle, fruit, sugar cookies

Ruidoso Middle School

Wednesday, Feb. 23 - Breakfast: Cinnamon rolls, fruit, milk

Lunch: Cheese enchiladas, pinto beans, lettuce and tomato, fruit

Thursday, Feb. 24 - Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, fruit, milk

Lunch: Sliced ham, green beans, rolls, fruit

Friday, Feb. 25 - Breakfast: Cereal, milk, graham crackers, fruit

Lunch: Bean burrito, lettuce and tomato, salsa, fruit

Monday, Feb. 28 - Breakfast: Cereal, milk, graham

crackers, fruit

Lunch: Spaghetti and meat sauce, green beans, garlic bread, lettuce and tomato, fruit, hamburger on a bun, pizza French fries, milk

Tuesday, Feb. 29 - Breakfast: Donuts, fruit, milk

Lunch: Taco salad, corn, fruit

Ruidoso High School

Wednesday, Feb. 23 - Breakfast: Cinnamon rolls, fruit, milk

Lunch: Barbecued beef on a bun, potato chips, lettuce and pickle, fruit, milk

Thursday, Feb. 24 - Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, fruit, milk

Lunch: Frito pie, cornbread, lettuce and tomato, fruit, milk

Friday, Feb. 25 - Breakfast: Cereal, milk, graham crackers, fruit

Lunch: Pizzaburger on a roll, mixed vegetables, lettuce and tomato, fruit

Monday, Feb. 28 - Breakfast: Cereal, milk, graham crackers, fruit

Lunch: Baked potato with chili, lettuce and tomato, fruit

Tuesday, Feb. 29 - Breakfast: Donuts, fruit, milk

Lunch: Turkey and noodles, mixed vegetables, wheat rolls, fruit



Sandy Suggitt/Ruidoso News
Sierra Vista Primary students are spellbound and amused when visiting magician, Harlan Rhodes, pulls a red rabbit out of his mouth instead of the red ball he'd been trying to hide from them. Rhodes, from Midland, Texas, performs for about 90,000 students per year.

How did he do that?

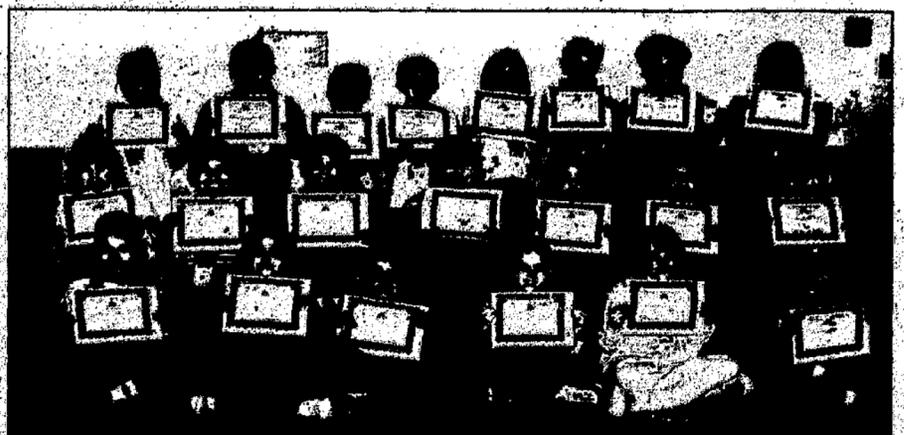


Sandy Suggitt/Ruidoso News
Mara Marmolejo, a second grader, is the assistant for a disappearing-balls trick with magician Harlan Rhodes, who visited Nob Hill, Sierra Vista Primary, White Mountain Elementary and White Mountain Intermediate Schools Wednesday and Thursday.

Sierra Vista Primary good citizens for January



Courtesy
First grade, from left, back row: Luis Zaragoza, Nora Castillo, Jonathan Partillo, Christin Geronimo, Delaney Quintana, Candace Smith, Kayle Frierson; middle, Zachary Porter, Gabriella Begay, Rochelle Obholz, Diana Gallegos, Alexis Tellez, Megan Jones, Clifford Poncho; front, Carly Reynolds, Kiana Mangas, Whitney Balderrama, Robert Priddy, Maria Gandilla.



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Second grade, from left, back row: Celina Lopez, Elaina Via, Zachary Cleveland, Perry McCall, Savannah Webb, Sandy Jilgworth, Leshia Gallegos, Taylor Davidson; middle, Sydney Norton, Leonel Lerma, Eric Evans, Simona Guerrero, Paul Sanchez, David Cardona, Stephanie DiPaolo; front, Ricky Nava, Abriana Herrera, Isaac Sanchez, Colton Parker, Destiny Stubbs, Kelsey Richardson.

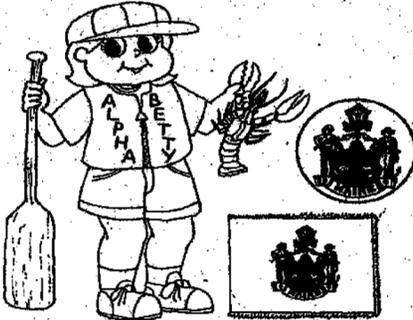
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By BETTY DEBNAM

Alpha Betty Visits the Vacation State Maine From A to Z



Maine is at the northeastern tip of the United States. It is bordered by the Atlantic Ocean, two Canadian provinces and New Hampshire.

About 1,200,000 people live there. Some of them include French, English, Irish, Swedish, Canadian and Native Americans. Some of the Native Americans include members of the Passamaquoddy, Penobscot and Maliseet tribes.

Until 1958, Maine held its presidential elections two months before the rest of the country. People said, "As Maine goes, so goes the nation." They looked at the results from Maine to predict who would be president.

Augusta, the state capital, has about 21,000 people. It began as an Indian village. In 1628, Pilgrims from Plymouth Colony set up a fur-trading post there.



This lighthouse at Cape Elizabeth is one of more than 60 that were built along Maine's rocky coast to warn sailors on the Atlantic Ocean.



More Blueberries are grown there than in any other state.

The Chickadee is the state bird.



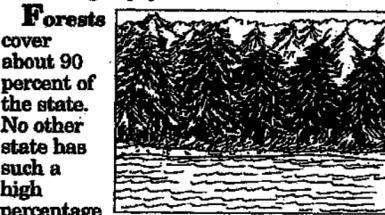
Mount Desert Island is the site of Acadia National Park, the second most visited national park in the U.S.

Earbuffs were invented by Chester Greenwood in 1873 in Farmington, once known as the Earbuff Capital of the World.

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Fishing is a top industry in this coastal state. Commercial fishers harvest about 200 million pounds of shellfish and other ocean fish a year. People who fish for a living or for fun also catch salmon, trout and bass in the rivers and streams. Ice-fishing is popular in the winter.



Forests cover about 90 percent of the state. No other state has such a high percentage of forest land. Lumbering and the manufacture of wood products such as paper and toothpicks are important.

E.B. White

Elwyn Brooks White is one of Maine's most loved authors. He wrote 20 books, including three for kids: "Charlotte's Web," "Stuart Little" and "The Trumpet of the Swan." Many of the characters are based on animals from his farm in Maine.

E.B. White (1899-1985) also wrote for adult magazines. He and his wife, Katharine, had one son.

Years ago, E.B. White talked to The Mini Page about writing "Charlotte's Web." He said: "I have a barn, and I had been watching barnyard animals for 40 years. I knew the characters. It was just a matter of reporting. I like to write about animals. I take animals seriously."

In "Charlotte's Web," a little girl, a humble pig and a very smart spider help each other out.

In "Stuart Little," a mouse is born to human parents. E.B. White started it for his 6-year-old niece, but didn't finish it until she was grown up. The movie version is out now.

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It's fun to learn phonics, or the sounds that letters make. This week's target sound is the one made by the letter F.

Q: What's gray and has purple feet?
A: An elephant that makes its own grape juice!

Q: What did George Washington's father say when he saw George's report card?
A: "George, you've gone down in history!"

Go on an F word hunt. What other words can you find beginning with F? What sound do you hear?

Q: What goes around the yard but never moves?
A: A fence!

THE NEWS HOUND'S MAINE TRY 'N FIND

Words that remind us of Maine are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward or diagonally. See if you can find: MAINE, SHIPS, HIKING, JEWELS, KENNEBUNKPORT, LOBSTER, MOOSE, COLD, FOGGY, ATLANTIC, ROCKY, COAST, BAYS, PUFFINS, RIVERS, SKI, ZINC.

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The Great Schooner Race in Rockland highlights the beauty of these old-time sailing ships.

Hiking is popular, especially on the Appalachian Trail, a hiking path stretching from Maine to Georgia.

More than 2,000 Islands add to the state's beauty.

Jewels from Maine include tourmaline, amethyst, topaz and garnets.

Mount Katahdin, the highest mountain in Maine, is about a mile above sea level.

Kennebunkport is where former president and first lady George and Barbara Bush own a vacation home.

Lobster harvests weigh in at about 40 million pounds each year, more than any other state.

The Moose is the state animal. There are more moose per square mile than in any other state. Deer, bear, bobcats, foxes and mink are also at home there.

Northeasters are fierce storms with strong winds from the northeast and much rain or snow. Maine's weather also includes cold, snowy winters and cool summers. The coastal areas are often foggy.

Maine's Atlantic Ocean border is famous for its rocky coast, beaches, inlets and bays.

Puffins were almost extinct in Maine because people killed so many. For the last 25 years, the Project Puffin has been bringing puffins to Maine from other places. Today it once again has healthy puffin colonies.

Quoddy Head Light overlooks a channel separating the United States from Canada. The most eastern point of the United States is on the West Quoddy Head peninsula.

More than 5,000 Rivers and streams flow through the state.

There are more than 450 downhill Ski trails. Cross-country Skiing has been popular for more than 100 years.

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Millions of Tourists from all over the world visit there each year. One of Maine's nicknames is the "Vacation State."

Less than half the population lives in Urban, or city, areas. The biggest city is Portland, with about 64,000 people.

Vikings probably landed on the Maine coast about 1,000 years ago.

Whale watching is a top activity.

The White Pine is the state tree.

MoXie Falls is a 96-foot waterfall in the Jackman-Moose River area. People can swim near the bottom.

The Yarmouth Clam and Maine Lobster festivals are traditional celebrations of the sea harvest.

Zinc and copper deposits in Maine are some of the biggest in the country.

The Mini Page thanks Doris Freeman, manager, education and library services, Bangor Daily News, for help with this issue.

Look through your newspaper for stories or pictures about tourist attractions in your state.

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RUIDOSO REALTY GROUP. New office, long-time broker has openings for three agents. Best commission incentive in Ruidoso. Please call Mike, 430-2800 for confidential interview. 060 MANUFACTURED HOMES FOR SALE: 060 MANUFACTURED HOMES FOR SALE

FACTORY MATCHES YOUR DOWN PAYMENT WITH REBATES UP TO \$3000! 16x70 3 bedrooms 2 baths \$25,990 or \$199/mo. 28x32 3 bedrooms 2 baths \$38,990 or \$299/mo. STARTING AT \$999 DOWN!! 16x80 3 bedrooms 2 baths \$26,990 or \$229/mo. 26x80 3 bedrooms 2 baths \$46,990. CALL TODAY! 1-800-257-8984 237-1450. 121 JIMMY LANE ALBUQUERQUE

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FOR RENT: Two bedroom, 1 1/2 bath furnished condo, \$550 per month plus utilities. Call Kathy at Tall Pines Realty, 257-7786. Two bedroom, 2 1/2 bath furnished condo, \$700 per month plus utilities. Call Kathy at Tall Pines Realty, 257-7786. We have 3 units in White Mountain Meadows, both furnished and unfurnished, \$550 per month plus utilities. Call Mark at Tall Pines Realty for more information, 257-7786. Commercial property on Sudderth Dr. for lease. Includes commercial building plus an apartment in back. \$2000 per month plus utilities or any part thereof negotiable. Call Mark of Tall Pines Realty for more information, 257-7786. Nightly rentals also available! Please call Kathy at 257-7786

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

CUSTODIAL/Maintenance person needed; full-time, wage DOE. Apply in person at Super 8 Motel, 100 Cliff Dr., Ruidoso

DECK HOUSE Restaurant is accepting applications for cashier/hostess. Experienced helpful. Breakfast cook; minimum 4 years. Experience required. Apply in person, 200 Mechem

EXPERIENCED housekeeper wanted. Approx 20 hours per week. 2-4 mornings per week. Must have transportation. \$8/hr to start. For interviews, contact Kathie 554-3200.

FULL CHARGE Bookkeeper with 3 years minimum experience. Must have thorough knowledge of automated accounting systems, Microsoft Office, Quickbooks, payroll processing. Salary DOE. Send resume to: Resume, 808 Mechem, Suite D, Ruidoso, NM 88345

FULL-TIME TRUCK DRIVER, excellent benefit package including vacation, sick, medical & insurance. Apps accepted until 4:00 pm Monday, February 28, 2000. Complete job desc and apps at the Village of Ruidoso, 313 Cree Meadows Dr., Ruidoso, NM 88345-4343. FAX 258-5361. EEOE

GREAT WALL OF CHINA restaurant has openings for part or full-time waitstaff, bus person and hostess. Apply in person, 2913 Sudderth Drive.

HOME MAILERS NEEDED Earn \$635 weekly mailing letters. Easy! Limited on-line. Call 1-800-931-5357 Ext 8400 24hrs

HOUSEKEEPERS NEEDED full or part-time. Good salary. Apply in person or call Inara 257-4971

HOUSEKEEPING POSITION available. Please apply in person, no phone calls. Ramada Limited, 1420 E. Hwy 70.

IMMEDIATE HIRE: Bartender. References required. Nights only. Apply in person after 3:30 p.m. daily. The Incredible Restaurant 7 Saloon. Hwy 48 N at Alto.

IMMEDIATE OPENINGS for servers and part-time bartender in the restaurant. See Amy. Apply in person at Swiss Chalet, 1451 Mechem.

LINCOLN COUNTY Medical Center has an opening for a full-time Registrar beginning ASAP. Position will require some nights and weekends. Vg offer a generous bonus package. If interested, contact Pam, Human Resources, Box 8000, Ruidoso, NM 88365 (505)257-8256

LOCAL LANDSCAPING Firm seeking individuals with landscape, irrigation & maintenance experience. Apply at Conley's Nursery & Landscaping, Inc., E. Hwy 70, 378-4376

MAINTENANCE PERSON & Grounds Keeper; part-time employment. See Ben Romero at Crown Point Condos, 220 Crown Dr. References required. No phone calls please.

MANUFACTURED HOME Salesperson position open. Contact Bill at Thoroughbred Homes, 378-8064

MERCHANDISER NEEDED in local grocery store. Part-time, flexible hours, twice a week. Please call J.R. Demco & Merchandising at 1-800-210-1452.

NEED ADDITIONAL Income? www.elformebusiness.com/edcitez

NEEDED ADMINISTRATIVE Assistant. Experience required. Part to full time. 257-1081.

300 HELP WANTED

PART-TIME repair/maintenance cleaning persons needed for weekly, monthly, rental business. 801-463-8834

RUIDOSO'S NEWEST Staffing Firm now hiring Clerical, waitresses, waiters, cooks, dishwashers, servers. Call 258-2359 for appointment. E.O.E. Drug test may be required.

RUIDOSO'S NEWEST Staffing Firm now hiring general laborers, operators, and CDL. Call 258-2359 for appointment. E.O.E. Drug test may be required.

STAT NEED! \$21/hr minimum. Med/Surg. Full-time or part-time. No exp. req. Call Cheryl 1-800-843-8369

400 SERVICES EARTH MOVING. Excavating, footings, trenches, rock cut, retaining walls, LCM and clearing, leveling, building pads. Gravel Drives, new or repair. Bernard Excavating 378-4132, 420-0704. Licensed, Bonded, Insured.

GARAGES & MORE! Top Quality 24x24 garage on your prepared pad. \$9,999, includes tax. (other sizes available) By CPA, Construction Professional & Assoc. Licensed Contractor. Call Richard or Pete @ 338-1199 or 430-7095 Financing available (O.A.C.)

HANDYMAN SERVICE, maintenance and repair. Free Estimates. References available. 257-2050, ask for Tim.

J.C. CONSTRUCTION 258-4132. Remodels, Decks, Painting, New Construction. Lic# 81976

JOHN'S MAINTENANCE: All types of repair and maintenance. Homes, cabins & decks. Power wash, seal, or paint. Free Estimates. 258-3703

PRIVATE COMPUTER lessons in your home on your machine with your programs at your pace. Experienced professional. Caroline McCoy. 378-8202

START SPRING CLEANING Yard work, pine needles raked, handyman work. Wood for sale. No job to small. Reasonable rates. 378-7152

TRACTOR WORK - Small jobs preferred. Mowing, blade work and leveling, backhoe, trenching, auger, water, electric, sewer lines installed. "We're cheaper than renting equipment". Call anytime 258-3786, 354-7000. (7am-5pm 450-8544)

WANTED: Your handyman work on building repair or maintenance. Both residential or commercial. 29 years local. Call Larry at 354-2532 NM Lic #57727

420 CHILD CARE DEPENDABLE BABY Sitter; 24 hours, 7 days per week. Meals included. Call 257-3768.

MOTHERLY LOVE State Licensed Child Care; 24hrs, 7days. Attentive, loving care. Toddler and Preschool classes. 378-4334

440 FIREWOOD FOR SALE WINTER SPECIAL: Seasoned Cedar, Pinon, Alligator. Full cord, delivered \$125 + tax. Passak Ranch (505)849-2849

460 LOST & FOUND BLACK AND WHITE female Sheltie named Singer wearing blue nylon collar with bow. Lost in Lincoln National Park. Call 258-3782

190 AUTOS FOR SALE

490 PERSONALS

FIBROMYALGIA sufferers. This may be your answer for pain relief. Call 1-800-325-5499, free information

500 CONSTRUCTION SPECTRUM Construction available for small or large projects. License GB-88. Call 854-8034 or 430-7514.

600 LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO HARRY G. WILCOX JR., Plaintiff

vs. Cause No. CV-98-283 Div. I EDMOND V. IWANICKI and JOYCE G. IWANICKI, husband and wife; BILL GARDNER, a single man; and GENEDECK W. MARTIN, a single man, Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT TO: EDMOND V. IWANICKI and JOYCE G. IWANICKI, husband and wife; BILL GARDNER, a single man; and GENEDECK W. MARTIN, a single man, PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Plaintiff herein has filed a Complaint for Money Due on Promissory Notes And Foreclosure of Mortgages in the above captioned cause where-in you are named as Defendants.

You are notified that unless you enter your appearance or file pleadings within thirty (30) days from the last date of publication of this Notice, the Plaintiff will make application to the Court for a Default Judgment and a Default Judgment will be rendered against you as prayed for in the Complaint.

The name of Plaintiff's Attorney is: Don E. Dutton, THE DUTTON FIRM, LTD., whose address is 1095 Mechem, Suite 229, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345. WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL of the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico on this 26th day of January, 2000

CHERYL CASTRO District Court Clerk of Eugenia Vega By: Deputy 2587 4T(2)9,10,23

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF CANDIDATES FOR OFFICE, DESIGNATION OF POLLING PLACE AND PRECINCT BOARD MEMBERS

In connection with the regular municipal election to be held on March 7, 2000, and pursuant to 3-8-90 NMSA 187B: A. Notice is hereby given that the following qualified voters are candidates for public office of the Village of Ruidoso. The candidates' names are listed in the order that they will appear on the ballot as determined by the drawing by lot.

1. For the office of Councilor for a four year term: VOTE FOR THREE (3). 1. Frank T. Cummins 2. Bob Storch 3. Ronald E. Anderson 4. Bonald D. Hinzman (Declared Write-In Candidate)

2. For the office of Councilor for a two year term: VOTE FOR ONE (1). 1. Linda A. Flack B. Notice is hereby given that the following questions, listed in order of appearance will be submitted to the voters: Shall the Village of Ruidoso issue up to \$8,000,000 of General Obligation Bonds to construct, equip and improve a community center to be located at the White Mountain Recreational Fields site on Hill road, and which shall include a handicapped accessible indoor recreational swimming pool with dressing and locker

NOTICE TO CREDITORS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned Personal Representa-

No. PB-008 Division III

LEGAL NOTICE TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF A.N. SPENCER, Deceased. No. PB-008 Division III

LEGAL NOTICE

600 LEGALS

Facilities: a dedicated teen activity room; a multi-room recreation and community function facility; an indoor all-weather 1/16 mile walking course; and parks and recreation department administrative offices? For: Against

Notice is hereby given that the following polling places shall be used for the conduct of the regular municipal election to be held on March 7, 2000.

1. Voters in consolidated precincts 7 and 9 within the municipal boundary will vote at the Ruidoso Convention Center, 111 Sierra Blanca Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico.

2. Voters in consolidated precincts 6, 8, and 10 within the municipal boundary will vote at the Ruidoso Convention Center, 111 Sierra Blanca Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico.

3. Voters in the absent voter precinct will vote at the office of the Municipal Clerk, 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico.

4. Nonresident Voters shall vote at the Office of the Village Clerk, 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico.

5. Early Voters and Nonresident Early Voters shall vote at the Office of the Village Clerk, 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico.

D. The following Precinct Board Members have been appointed: Precinct 7 and 9 Sunny bonds Hirschfeld - Presiding Judge Calvin Cowden - Judge/Clerk Florence Maul - Judge/Clerk Delma Loya - Clerk/Translator Mary Lee Nurney - Judge/Clerk Alternates: Jacqueline S. Craig Susan Lutterman

2. CONSOLIDATED Precinct 6, 8, and 10 Terri Hemphill - Presiding Judge Wayne Bergeron - Judge/Clerk Strand M. "Mac" McDougal - Judge/Clerk Rodolfo Lugo, Jr. Clerk/Translator Alternates: Betty Gonda Patay A. Bode

3. ABSENTEE/EARLY VOTING/IN RESIDENT Precincts Janna Sims - Presiding Judge Carla Grover - Judge/Clerk Earline Phillips - Judge/Clerk Alternates: Peggy McClellan Mary Gomez

Notice is hereby given that a Precinct Board Election School will be held on the 29th day of February, 2000 at the Ruidoso Convention Center, 111 Sierra Blanca Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico. The school will begin at 9:00 a.m. The school is open to the public. Posted this 1st day of February, 2000. Published and dated this 16th and 23rd day of February, 2000. /s/Tammie J. Maddox, Municipal Clerk 2594 2T(2)16,23

LEGAL NOTICE

600 LEGALS

Defendants Alpine Acres, Ltd., a New Mexico Limited Partnership, by and through its General Partner, Bill Eastland; HW Enterprises Incorporated, a New Mexico corporation; John Does 1 through 100 and their Unknown Heirs, Devises and Assigns; and Any and All Unknown Claimants of Interest in the Premises Adverse to Plaintiffs.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the above styled and numbered cause of action has commenced and is pending in the Twelfth Judicial District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico.

The general object of the Complaint is to quiet Plaintiffs' fee simple title in the following described real property located in Lincoln County, New Mexico:

Lot 1, Block 1 of PINESCAPE ADDITION, Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the replat thereof

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Filed for record in the office of the Clerk of Lincoln County, New Mexico, on the 27th day of November, 1974, in Tube No. 533.

You are further notified that unless you file an answer or responsive pleading to the Complaint on or before April 4, 2000, judgment will be entered against you by default and Plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief sought in the Complaint.

Plaintiff's attorney: Lee Griffin LEGAL SERVICES INC., P.C. 1088 Mechem Drive Suite 102 Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345 (505)258-5546

WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court on February 21, 2000.

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FREE! SAVE TIME! Iwantacar.com BUY or SELL any vehicle the stress free way!

600 LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Three or more Lincoln County commissioners will be attending the Town Hall Meeting regarding the future of Fort Stanton on Thursday, February 24, 2000.

Martha Guevara Assistant County Manager 2631 1T(2)23

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Lincoln County Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee will hold their regular meeting on Thursday, March 2, 2000.

Copies of the agenda for the meeting will be available at the office of the County Manager 24 hours prior to said meeting.

Auxiliary aides are available upon request; please contact Martha Guevara at 649-2385 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting to make any necessary arrangements.

LEGAL NOTICE

COUNTY OF LINCOLN RFP #99-00-034

COUNTY OF LINCOLN NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

The County of Lincoln is issuing a Request for Proposal and Operation of a new 122 bed Adult Detention Facility within the city limits of Carrizozo, New Mexico and immediately adjacent to the municipal airport.

400 SERVICES

METAL ROOFS REMODELS • ADDITIONS Balco Builders DECKS, PAINTING & REPAIRS GARAGES & CARPORTS

METAL ROOFS Senior Discounts • Free Estimates JOHN LYNN ROOFING 257-3243

Patricia S. Ortiz, Attorney 505-257-3525 if in jail, call collect

RUIDOSO READY LABOR Temporary workers AVAILABLE NOW; 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

WHITE MOUNTAIN GLASS AND HOME FURNISHINGS (505) 257-5920 134 Sudderth Drive • Ruidoso NM 88345

PROTECT YOUR INVESTMENT! "A finish you can depend on" Scotty's PAINTING 258-3992

600 LEGALS

IMMUNIZATIONS

Innovative ways of reducing costs. Proposals will be received in Lincoln County, P.O. Box 711, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301 for RFP #99-00-34 until Wednesday, April 5, 2000, 2:00 p.m.

Copies of the Request for Proposal can be obtained in person at the Office of the County Manager, 300 Central Avenue, Carrizozo, NM 88301 or will mailed upon written or telephonic request to Jane Williams, at 505-648-2385.

Lincoln County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals and to waive all formalities.

THE CONTENTS OF SELF STORAGE UNIT #13 INCLUDING MISCELLANEOUS HOUSEHOLD ITEMS AND BOXES

LEGAL NOTICE

COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

ROBERT W. WEBER, Plaintiff, vs. CV-00-036

GROUP ONE DEFENDANTS: EAST LAKE SIDE CORPORATION, a New Mexico corporation, d/b/a ERNEST FREDECK, DOLORES FREDECK, JOHN DOES 1-5, REPRESENTING THE HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF ERNEST AND/OR DOLORES FREDECK, et al.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF

400 SERVICES

COMPUTERIZED BOOKKEEPING K & C Bookkeeping Services • Monthly Financial Statements • Payroll Service - Taxes - Reports

390 WORK WANTED

Brillante Construction Thomas Brillante GENERAL CONTRACTOR REDWOOD DECKS • REMODELING

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF INVITATION TO SUBMIT BIDS

NOTICE is hereby given that competitive sealed bids will be received by the Lincoln County Purchasing Agent at Lincoln County Courthouse, 300 Central Ave. (P.O. Box 711), Carrizozo, NM 88301, until 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 8, 2000.

J.E. CONSTRUCTION INC. License #28161 • Bonded & Insured Commercial & Residential Construction

400 SERVICES

600 LEGALS

PENDENCY OF SUIT

TO: GROUP ONE DEFENDANTS: EAST LAKE SIDE CORPORATION, a New Mexico corporation, Ernest Fredeck, Dolores Fredeck, John Does 1-5, Representing the heirs and devisees of Ernest and/or Dolores Fredeck, et al.

Arturo Armentariz and Elena Armentariz, John Does 11-15, representing the heirs and devisees of Arturo and/or Elena Armentariz, et al.

CHERYL CASTRO DISTRICT COURT CLERK

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Public Sale

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LEGAL NOTICE

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LEGAL NOTICE

PUEBLO DE RUIDOSO AVISO DE NOMBRES DE CANDIDATOS PARA CARGO PUBLICO, DESIGNACION DE LOCALES PARA VOTAR

MIEMBROS DE LA JUNTA DIRECTIVA DE PRECINTO Con respecto a la eleccion municipal regular que se llevara a cabo el 7 de Marzo del 2000 y de acuerdo con 3-8-30 NMSA 1878:

LEGAL NOTICE

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Proposals will be received until 4:00 p.m. on March 14, 2000 for supplying Ruidoso Municipal School District with Food Service Management during the school year of 2000-01 with options for renewal of the contract not exceed four additional years, 2001-2002, 2002-2003, 2003-2004, and 2004-2005.

LEGAL NOTICE

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That the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due.

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5. Votantes en los precinctos consolidados 7 y 9: Sunny Bonds Hirschfeld - Presiding Judge

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3. Votantes en los precinctos consolidados 7 y 9: Sunny Bonds Hirschfeld - Presiding Judge

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

BANKERS TRUST CO. OR N.A. AS CUSTODIAN OF TRUSTEE, Plaintiff, vs. THOMAS E. CHAVES and IRENE CHAVES, husband and wife - Defendants.

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WEEKDAY AFTERNOON grid showing TV programs from 1:30 to 6:30 for various channels including KASA, KENW, KOBR, CNN, KOAT, EI, USA, KBIN, KASY, DSC, TNN, FAM, HBO, HBO-2, HBO-3, SHOW, MAX, DISN, TNT, ANI, KRPV, COM, TLC, TCM, UNI, ESPN, NICK, SciFi, FX, H&G, CNN-FN, WTBS, WGN, LIFE, FSSW, ESPN2, OUTD, HIST, A&E, CNBC, and CMAX2.

THURSDAY EVENING grid for FEBRUARY 24, 2000, showing TV programs from 7:00 to 12:00 for various channels including KASA, KENW, KOBR, CNN, KOAT, EI, USA, KBIN, KASY, DSC, TNN, FAM, HBO, HBO-2, HBO-3, SHOW, MAX, DISN, TNT, AMC, KRPV, COM, TLC, TCM, UNI, ESPN, NICK, SciFi, FX, H&G, CNN-FN, WTBS, WGN, LIFE, FSSW, ESPN2, OUTD, HIST, A&E, CNBC, and CMAX2.

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SATURDAY MORNING											FEBRUARY 26, 2000														
	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30	1:00		1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30		
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SUNDAY MORNING FEBRUARY 27, 2000

Grid of TV programs for Sunday Morning, February 27, 2000. Columns include time slots (8:00, 8:30, 9:00, 9:30, 10:00, 10:30, 11:00, 11:30, 12:00, 12:30, 1:00) and various channels (KASA, KENW, KOBR, CNN, KOAT, etc.) with program titles and descriptions.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON FEBRUARY 27, 2000

Grid of TV programs for Sunday Afternoon, February 27, 2000. Columns include time slots (1:30, 2:00, 2:30, 3:00, 3:30, 4:00, 4:30, 5:00, 5:30, 6:00, 6:30) and various channels (KASA, KENW, KOBR, CNN, KOAT, etc.) with program titles and descriptions.

SUNDAY EVENING FEBRUARY 27, 2000

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MONDAY EVENING FEBRUARY 28, 2000

Grid of TV programs for Monday Evening, February 28, 2000. Columns include time slots (7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 8:30, 9:00, 9:30, 10:00, 10:30, 11:00, 11:30, 12:00) and various channels (KASA, KENW, KOBR, CNN, KOAT, etc.) with program titles and descriptions.

