



# Zia seeks 39% price hike

### Increase would reflect winter's higher demand for natural gas

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
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Starting this month, customers of Zia Natural Gas will see about a 39 percent increase in their monthly bills compared to prices they paid for the past year.

Zia filed with the New Mexico Public Regulation Commission a request for exemption from a rule that requires a hearing on any cost factor increase of 10 percent or more.

Staff engineer Guillermo Guaderrama said Thursday while he can't comment on what the commission will do, the staff recommends the exemption be granted.

"There's skyrocketing demand across the country now," he said. "Zia is asking for the exemption just like PNM has done the last three or four months straight. The prices are going up, and this essentially is a pass-through to the customers. If exemptions weren't granted, we'd be in here every month reviewing requests."

Zia is the second largest natural gas distributor in the state after Public Service of New Mexico and serves about 8,500 customers in Lincoln County.

The rule requiring a hearing is to ensure that distributors seek the best possible prices on natural gas before allowing distributors to pass through increases in rates to customers, Guaderrama said.

Although the petition states that Zia is asking for a 74.479 percent increase over its current gas cost factor, company attorney Mercedes Fernandez-Wells said, "Once you take into account all the cost of service factors, the actual increase to our customers will be 39 percent."

"If they spent \$80 on gas, the same amount this year will be \$112," she said. "To figure an individual bill, take the total usage and multiply by 1.39 percent. This reflects only the cost of gas and that's something we have no control

"There's skyrocketing demand across the country now."

Guillermo Guaderrama  
Staff engineer

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## Moving forward to the past



Dianne Stallings/Ruidoso News

Lincoln County Manager Tom Stewart thumbs through a payroll book from 1917 while the fort was a U.S. Merchant Marine Hospital for patients with tuberculosis.

## Volunteers invade Fort Stanton

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
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When Dick Weber walked into the front room of the future Fort Stanton Museum Wednesday, he felt a mixture of excitement and trepidation.

He was staring at a jumble of antiques and assorted equipment used at the fort during its 145 year history. The task ahead for volunteers with the Fort Stanton Partnership includes itemizing and cataloging each piece and any other items found elsewhere on the 88-building fort complex or acquired over the years by other museums.

The coalition of four local organizations also is setting up an amnesty program, hoping that people who have artifacts from the

fort will return them.

Weber, president of Fort Stanton Inc., a volunteer, non-profit group founded in 1996 to promote the conversion of the 1855 fort into a living museum, was one of the first to arrive for an official turning-over of the museum by the state property control division of the General Services Department under a contract awarded last month.

Fort Stanton Inc. is partners in the venture with the Roswell office of the federal Bureau of Land Management, the Mescalero Apache Nation and the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce.

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# Ruidoso could face federal fine in sewage spill

BY JAMES KAIHLAGE  
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The village of Ruidoso could be slapped with a \$27,500 fine, for a 200,000-gallon spill into the Rio Ruidoso from the Ruidoso waste water treatment plant.

The spill, which the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency called a violation of the federal Clean Water Act, was reported on July 31, said David Bary, a spokesman for the EPA office in Dallas.

"Any violation of a permit is a serious violation," Bary said.

An order issued to the village in August sought an explanation for the spill into the river. The village responded that the violation was the result of accepting excess waste from septic haulers.

Ruidoso Mayor Robert Donaldson, who is also the chairman of the Ruidoso/Ruidoso Downs Wastewater Treatment Plant Joint Use Board, said sewage pumped from septic tanks and disposed of at the plant was a part of the problem.

"It wasn't so much an issue with the plant," Donaldson said. "It was an issue with the line. There are a lot of illegal hook-ups. At the time there was a three-inch rain in Aqua Fria and that caused infiltration with the illegal hook-ups. It was just too much for the plant."

Aqua Fria is a subdivision at Ruidoso Downs' east boundary. The wastewater treatment plant is located east of Ruidoso Downs. Ruidoso is responsible for the operation of the facility.

The EPA is continuing to review the case to de-

termine if a penalty is appropriate. Bary said a decision, which may come in the next several weeks, could result in a fine of up to \$27,500. He said the agency could also decide to assess a small, or no financial penalty.

"Past compliance with the Clean Water Act is a part of the consideration," Bary said. The EPA spokesman said he was unaware of any past pollution violations.

But the village had been deemed to be in violation of the Clean Water Act by not filing a timely request to renew the wastewater plant's permit. Correspondence from the EPA states the plant's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System per-

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# Sheriff hopefuls debate issues, the Kid

BY JAMES KAIHLAGE  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

If Billy the Kid were roaming Lincoln County today, one of the three candidates for county sheriff wouldn't think twice about shooting the outlaw.

Ray Merritt, the independent contender for the post held by Tom Sullivan, said he would shoot the Kid.

"I would have given him a fair trial," Tony Seno, the Libertarian candidate for sheriff, said in a candidates' debate.

"He had a trial and escaped from jail," Merritt retorted.

Sullivan, who appears on the Nov. 7 ballot as the Republican, labeled Billy the Kid a "bad hombre."

The job of sheriff, as constitutionally outlined, is limited, Sullivan and Seno said.

Sullivan said while subpoena service is a part of the task, New Mexico's constitution requires the investigation of felonies.

Seno said by law the only enforcement activity delegated to a sheriff is



Jim Kahlage/Ruidoso News

Lincoln County sheriff candidates state their cases. From left, Libertarian Tony Seno, independent Ray Merritt, and incumbent Sheriff Tom Sullivan, a Republican.

to track down felons.

But Merritt said the constitutional requirements were penned long ago.

"These days we have cars instead of horses," Merritt said. "Now it's a police department," he said of the sheriff's office.

The three sheriff hopefuls debated Wednesday, during the radio program New Mexico in the Morning, on KRUI-AM and KWMW-FM.

Responding to a phone-in question, about what the caller said was the presence of illegal drugs in Capitan, Merritt agreed Lincoln County has a drug problem.

"It's ongoing," Merritt said. "We have transients and kids. The drug task force has a lot of work to do."

Incumbent Sullivan said there has been surveillance of the alleged drug dealing in Capitan.

"We can't be there everyday at noon," Sullivan said.

Seno said drugs need to be off of the school playground.

"I'm not pro drugs," Seno said. "I'm anti prohibition."

He said recreational drugs should be in liquor stores, taxed and out of the hands of dealers. Seno has called the war on drugs a failure.

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# Bush wins by a landslide in newspaper reader poll

Readers of the Ruidoso News handed George W. Bush a solid victory in the newspaper's Lincoln County Straw Poll.

The poll was published in the newspaper and required readers to clip it out, fill it in and send or bring it back to the paper.

Publisher Brad Treptow said such a survey is not a reliable indicator of the actual outcome of Tuesday's general election.

"The purpose was not to be scientific but to build interest in the election and hopefully, voter turnout," Treptow said Thursday, adding that other purposes were to have fun and to involve the newspaper's readers.

About one-third of the responses were returned by mail, he said.

Here are the results of the Ruidoso News Lincoln County Straw Poll. The unscientific poll was published in the newspaper, and drew a total of 64 responses.

**President**  
Bush, 41 votes, 67%; Gore, 20, 33%

**Lincoln County Sheriff**  
Sullivan, 32, 50%; Merritt, 29, 45%; Seno, 3, 0.5%

**Lincoln County Commission, District 3**  
Martinez, 38, 59%; Klein, 26, 41%

**Lincoln County Tax Assessor**  
Silva, 44, 69%; Vallejos, 20, 31%

**State Representative, District 56**  
Williams, 47, 73%; Alexander, 17, 27%

**Mill levy**  
For, 52, 81%; Against, 12, 19%

**AccuWeather SEVENTY-DAY FORECAST FOR RUIDOSO**

Mostly sunny. 54°	Mostly sunny. 22°	Partly sunny. 54°/24°	Clouds and sun. 50°/24°	Maybe showers. 52°/26°	Some sun-shine. 54°/26°	Partly sunny. 56°/28°
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**REGIONAL WEATHER**

**TODAY IN HISTORY**  
ALMANAC On Nov 1, 1881, a hurricane battered the Union fleet as it tried to attack ports in the Carolinas.

**SUN AND MOON**

	Sunrise	Sunset
Wed	6:21 a.m.	5:11 p.m.
Thu	6:22 a.m.	5:10 p.m.
Fri	6:23 a.m.	5:09 p.m.
Sat	6:24 a.m.	5:08 p.m.
Sun	6:25 a.m.	5:07 p.m.

**MOONRISE**

	Moonrise	Moonset
Wed	11:12 a.m.	9:26 p.m.
Thu	11:59 a.m.	10:18 p.m.
Fri	12:42 p.m.	11:12 p.m.
Sat	1:21 p.m.	none
Sun	1:57 p.m.	12:07 a.m.

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**REALFEEL TEMPS**

8 a.m.	25°
Noon	47°
4 p.m.	39°
8 p.m.	23°

The RealFeel Temperature is a measure of how the weather feels, taking into account all weather factors including temperature, humidity, wind, weather and UV radiation.

### GAS: High winter demand forces up prices, Ruidoso's gas supplier says

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over. It's a straight pass through and we got one of the best prices you can get in this area."

The new rate goes into effect today, because an application for an exemption automatically stays the mandatory

hearing rule until the commission takes action, she said.

After figuring the increase, Zia's per therm cost is 3 cents less than PNM at 53 cents per therm, she said. A therm is a heating content measure of gas, she explained.

The increase affects Zia customers in its Lincoln County, Hobbs and Jal systems. The

commodity cost is slightly higher at \$5.6410 or a 77.84 percent increase for Zia's system serving Maxwell, according to information filed with the PRC.

"Zia's cost of gas is based upon the projected costs to procure system supply, including all direct and indirect costs," according to the petition.

For the Lincoln County and Jal areas, Zia is buying gas supplies from Petro Gulf Corporation and entered into a supply contract for one year at a price of \$4.90 per Mmbtu.

If the rate increase is not granted, Zia maintains it would see a year-end deficit of \$3,868,498 for the Lincoln, Hobbs and Jal systems.

### MUSEUM: Volunteers dedicated to having museum at old Fort Stanton

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About 70 people showed up to celebrate the beginning of the museum and clients of the Amity Foundation, which operates an alcohol and drug rehabilitation center in another section of the fort, gave tours of the grounds.

Weber said the partnership hopes to whip the museum into shape in time to open for Thanksgiving tourists. They plan for the museum to be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. every day but Wednesday with tours from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturdays.

Volunteers are needed to help catalog and work on the computer and help out in many other ways, Weber said.

"This is all going to take more than just a few weeks to catalog," Weber said. "Part of our agreement with Les Swindle of property control is to inventory everything on the fort."

"Everything we retrieve from other places becomes Fort Stanton property - not the property of the partnership. Obviously, we're all hoping this property eventually will be returned to federal hands, because that's the only organization with deep enough pockets to run something this big."

Nick Skogland, facility manager on the fort for the state, helped gather many items scattered in several buildings and has been very helpful and cooperative in the museum effort, Weber said.

"He found the old motion

picture projector under a tarp stored somewhere and we already had the theater chairs, so that may be one of our displays," Weber said.

Films used to be shown on the second floor of one of the buildings for staff and their families one night and then for patients the next.

"The great thing about the fort is that we're talking history stretching from when it was a fort used for defense of settlers through the 30s Depression years and 40s war years through today," Weber said. "This place had many re-births. It's exciting because every decade will be represented."

Several payroll and patient books contain handwritten names and the coalition hopes

to post them on the Internet.

"Maybe some of their children are still alive and will see the posting," Weber said. "They may have old photos or things they would like to contribute."

Coalition members also are optimistic they may be able to capture some of \$72 million set aside for historical preservation in a bill just signed by President Clinton. The fund is supposed to grow to \$150 million in its fifth year, Weber said.

"I've already sent a letter asking how we can apply," he said. "We want to be ahead of everybody on this. We'll try for enough to take care of roof repair."

To volunteer, call Trink Edmonds in the afternoon or weekend at (505) 258-9122 or e-mail tedmonds@zianet.com

### SPILL: Village faces a major penalty

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mit expired on Aug. 31, 1999. What the EPA labeled a "partial application" was submitted on April 10, 2000, and a June 2 correspondence to the village stated there had not yet been a response to a notice of an incomplete application.

Ruidoso was declared in violation of the Clean Water Act for discharging into the Rio Ruidoso without a permit, and had faced the possibility penalties of up to \$27,500 per day of violation.

Complete paperwork has been filed, and a draft permit is expected to be finalized before the end of the year, according to the EPA's permit division. A

public comment period on the permit application closed on Oct. 31.

Several changes were made to the permit, largely to reflect amended New Mexico standards, said Cecilia Kernodle, of the EPA permit division.

"The permit isn't based on violations," Kernodle said.

Last month the village quit accepting septic waste into the treatment plant, and developed a plan to store the waste for shipment and land spreading on a farm near Roswell.

At the time village manager Alan Briley said the high concentration of solids in septic waste was incompatible with the operation of the plant.



Old Ruidoso saw lots of slab-log construction between 1900 and 1920.

### L.C. SCRAPBOOK

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

#### White Oaks Eagle November 1, 1900

Great interest is now being manifested in the race for sheriff of this county. Wingfield has recently made very serious inroads into Gonzales' chances of election. Gonzales is said to be overbearing and quarrelsome, and is feared by his people, who say

he will use his official authority as a shield behind which he will be revengeful and dangerous.

The teachers and patrons of public schools of Lincoln County are pleased with the way John A. Haley conducts the office of superintendent of schools, and the vote Tuesday will continue him in office for the next two years.

The election of Lincoln brought freedom to the blacks. The election of Bryan means liberty and freedom to whites and blacks alike.

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Correction — The information accompanying a photograph in Wednesday's Ruidoso News incorrectly identified some of the students honored by the Altrusa Club of Ruidoso's "I Made A Difference! 2000" program. The correct line-up is: School vice principal Art Howard; students Cody May, Rachel Warren, Gary Micander, Keely Barnett, Kristi Ensor and Benjamin Smith; principal Bill Green, and, seated, Abby Stringfellow and Marisa Sanchez. Not pictured were Erin Raterman and Kammi Sparks.

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**OUR OPINION**

**Three mills worth of health care**

We voters on Tuesday will be asked to approve a 3-mill property tax levy to operate and maintain our hospital and rural clinics for the next seven years. About two-thirds of the estimated \$1.37 million raised yearly would maintain and buy equipment for the county-owned Lincoln County Medical Center. The other third would support the county health clinics, including the new one at Hondo.

Lincoln County has an excellent primary health care system by any measure. The hospital provides nearly every medical specialty; on the staff, at last count, were 55 physicians and 20 other professionals — dentists, psychologists, physician assistants, nurses. Carrizozo, Corona and Hondo clinics put care in easy reach of practically every citizen. Ten ambulances cover the county's 4,859 square miles.

Quality medical care today requires expensive, high-tech equipment. Medicare, Medicaid and insurance claims entail vast patience and detail. No wonder LCMC had 216 employees and a payroll of \$7.6 million in 1999.

Yet, with all this, a vocal minority opposes the mill levy, even when it is being cut by some 30 percent — from 4.25 to 3 mills — from prior years. Some argue that private enterprise is best; that the county should sell the hospital to a for-profit company. Yet the for-profit Roswell medical center had an average cost-per-stay last year of more than \$9,000. At LCMC it averaged less than \$4,000.

Some physicians oppose Presbyterian Healthcare Services, the not-for-profit organization that has managed LCMC for nearly 30 years. The Attorney General's office has challenged the contract between the county and PHS. A petition is circulating for a grand jury to probe that issue. The county commission cites ambiguities in state law it believes must be resolved in the Legislature.

Nevertheless, Tuesday's ballot does not ask for endorsement of PHS. Regardless of who operates the health-care system in coming years, it must be maintained; the clinics must be operated. Quality, affordable healthcare must be accessible to all.

We believe the voters' approval of the mill levy on Tuesday is absolutely essential.

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**YOUR OPINION**

**Doctors sign on in favor of mill levy**

To the editor:  
As physicians who treat the residents and visitors of Lincoln County, we want to encourage you to vote "yes" on the hospital and clinic mill levy issue. We support the mill levy for the following reasons:

1. The mill levy is an important part of the partnership that has been successful for many years in assisting us to provide affordable, high quality primary care to people in the county.

2. The mill levy supports the clinics in Carrizozo, Corona and Hondo. Without the mill levy funds, the clinics cannot survive. The residents in these communities need convenient access to health care.

3. The mill levy is a reduction in taxes from 4.25 to 3.0 mills. Voting for the mill levy will insure your mill levy tax will not increase for the next 7 years. This small tax will insure that the health care delivery system is here when you need it.

4. The excellent primary care services available in our county provide an incentive to people who are considering moving to Lincoln County. It is important to have an excellent health care delivery system in a community that depends on economic growth for its continued success.

5. The mill levy is not a question of who manages the hospital, but instead it is one way you can help insure the continued provision of high quality, affordable health care for our community.

Please vote "YES" to keep our health care system intact.

- Mary Martinez, MD  
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**Opposing the levy**

To the editor:  
The Special Mill Levy is an unfair and mismanaged tax that should be replaced with a more equitable funding mechanism. If taxpayer assistance is required, it would be more equitable to fund these expenditures through a gross receipts tax where all expenditures would be borne by those the clinics and LCMC stand ready to serve; i.e., all visitors, residents, transients and property owners.

"Rubber stamp" approval to expenditures from this fund by our Commissioners is negligent at best. This is evidenced by the recently reported \$331,273 double payment. The cavalier attitude displayed by the Commissioners on this

overpayment was deplorable. Their attitude was this was "found" money that could now be spent on other LCMC projects. How many inappropriate expenditures have been made from this fund due to lack of oversight by those responsible for safeguarding taxpayer funds? Perhaps it is past time the county relinquished its LCMC role to private enterprise. Not only would there be a decreased tax burden resulting from the elimination of the Special Mill Levy, but the county's tax base would be increased by the placement of the facilities on the property tax rolls. The hype, propaganda and media advertising blitz urging continuing support of this unfair and grossly mismanaged tax gives me great concern. Does anyone believe the \$1.25 million per year amount could actually transform a mediocre medical facility into a state-of-the-art facility as the hype would have you believe? Does anyone believe their hospital bill was less than it would have been had there not been taxpayer support?

I urge all concerned citizens to vote NO on the Special Mill Levy Tax.  
Serafino "Steve" Carri Ruidoso

**Already voted 'no'**

To the editor:  
I am a Lincoln County property owner and I have already voted. I voted NO on the mill levy issue. The reason I did so was because I could never get straight answers to my questions below about the "facts" of Presbyterian Health Care's (PHC) operation of our local hospital and the hospital mill levy question on the ballot. Perhaps others might have the same reservations.

1. For years, the property tax millage has been used by PHC for the hospital's operating expenses, but now PHC has stated that they don't need it for that purpose. It is now to be used instead for maintenance and improvements.

This begs the question: If not NOW needed for operating costs, was it EVER so needed? If it wasn't available or used in the past for maintenance, etc., why is it needed NOW? What's changed? Was the contract illegal and all that money

misused all those years?

2. Lincoln County property owners constitute only a fraction of those who use the hospital, but have been paying 100% of the support costs, while the rest of the users get a free ride. Plus, it has been calculated that a 1/8-cent increase in the gross receipts tax, to be shared by everyone, including tourists, would raise more revenue than a 3-mill property tax levy. Probably with enough extra to cover the indigent fund requirement also.

Is it fair to expect only property owners to tote the whole load? Or, to equalize the tax burden, would it make any difference whatsoever in anyone's purchasing power or buying habits if an additional 1/8-cent sales tax was enacted?

3. Under PHC's administration of the hospital, doctors choosing not to be a part of PHC cannot use it, even though it's owned by the public and is tax supported, therefore their patients are also denied use of a public facility.

Discrimination? Can the County be held liable for allowing it if somebody pushed the issue?

4. PHC touts the fact that it is a "non-profit" organization and thus holds down patient's costs. Of the three classes of patients—insured, non-insured, and indigent—insurance companies pay for the insured, then hike their premiums so as to not lose money; taxpayers pay the bills of the indigent, at the same inflated rate charged an insurance company; and the non-insured patients either have the resources to pay cash or have made a conscious choice to chance not incurring a hospital bill over paying for insurance.

Is it really the patients' cost or PHC's cost that is being held down?

5. Many "authorities" have said the mill levy issue and PHC's operation of the hospital are two separate and distinct issues.

If they are indeed two separate issues, why is PHC paying for all the advertisements in support of the mill levy? Where does a "non-profit" organization get the money to lobby with — tax dollars?

Jim Alston Ruidoso

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**The doctor is out**

Among the pleasures we have had living in Ruidoso are the delightful SOB's we dined on at Dr. Steve's Kitchen.

**MOUNTAIN ASIDES**



BY KEITH GREEN RUIDOSO NEWS

That small restaurant, which used to be handy to the post office and right on the Upper Canyon Circle, provided high quality food, a casual atmosphere (as the big-city ads say) — and the best chicken burritos with green chile north of the Mexican border.

The menu called them "Son of Burrito." We called them SOB's, and Sue Lutz knew exactly what we wanted; husband Steve knew, too, and delivered from his kitchen one of the things we admire most in a restaurant — food of fine and consistent quality.

Unfortunately for hundreds of local regulars, Dr. Steve's doors closed with the end of October. Steve and Sue were tired; after more than three years, they wanted a rest and a new challenge. They're headed for the Bahamas for some weeks. (Sue's son B. J., who graduated from Ruidoso High School a few years ago, is in the cast of this year's "Nutcracker" at the Spencer. He got interested in theater early. We still recall his high school debut in the musical "Oklahoma!")

Meanwhile, the business is for sale (and maybe by now a deal has been done), and Sue and Steve are looking forward to a leisurely drive, lots of sea and sun, and seafood prepared by someone other than Steve. (Which reminds us that he cooked up a memorable shrimp gumbo, too.)

It's worth mentioning that just about every regular diner at Dr. Steve's started grumbling when word got out that the couple had other things in mind than operating a restaurant for the rest of their lives.

There were suggestions that a petition be circulated; that maybe they could be coerced into taking a break, then reopening in time to catch the ski business.

Alas, no success.

Steve Lutz would like to do something totally different. He'd cooked in Florida before coming to Ruidoso a decade ago, to be a chef at the Inn of the Mountain Gods. Sue got a faraway look when she talked about their coming trip.

Us — well, we're hoping Dr. Steve's isn't gone forever.

Who else, anywhere, can cook up such a great SOB?

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# Hayhurst quits Downs Council

Ruidoso Downs village trustee Ray Hayhurst has tendered his resignation from the village council.

Village clerk Gladys Dillard said the resignation was effective Oct. 19, according to a letter submitted by Hayhurst. The letter stated that Hayhurst had moved from Ruidoso Downs.

"The mayor will probably present a name for trustees to decide (on a replacement) at the next meeting," Dillard said. The next session of the village council is scheduled for Nov. 13.

The mayor will propose a replacement, but trustees must confirm the nominee. Hayhurst was elected to

the Ruidoso Downs council in 1994, and re-elected in 1998. Hayhurst's current term would have run through the spring of 2002.

Hayhurst is the brother of former Ruidoso Downs Mayor Joe Hayhurst, who lost a reelection effort in March when Bob Miller captured the mayoral seat.

## DEBATE: Candidates for sheriff sound off on radio

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Questioned about arresting casual marijuana users, Sullivan said he had seen a lot during eight years as a Texas narcotics law enforcement agent.

"I have no use for dealers and users," he said.

Merritt said police are required to enforce laws on the books.

"All drugs should be treated the same, alcohol or drugs," Seno said. "But if you get in a car and are under the use, then you are violating my rights."

Asked to address his qualifications to be sheriff, Seno said his experience didn't count in the sheriff's race.

"The residents of Lincoln County have experienced enough big, corrupt government," Seno said. "For five years

I've watched these guys (Lincoln County Commission) do all the wrong things."

Merritt said he had gained leadership and management abilities working with the U.S. Army and the State Department.

"People I've talked to in the county say they're not represented," Merritt said. "They only see officers at election time."

Sullivan said his deputies are visible.

"He's not talking to the people I'm talking to," Sullivan responded. "We have had high visibility, and not just this last year."

Pressed about his use of the word corrupt, Seno said he has no evidence to say that Sullivan is corrupt.

"I meant every word of it," Seno said. "Government has just gotten too big. The drug war

brings corruption. I've seen our public servants turned into big bullies."

Taking the Lincoln County Sheriff's Department to full time was deemed an issue for the county commission to address, Sullivan and Merritt said.

"In March, Tom Sullivan said he was talking about going to 24-hour service right then," Seno said. "That hasn't happened."

"I have to have the personnel to do 24 hours a day," Sullivan responded. "Mr. Seno knows that."

Sullivan said he would need 16 deputies, three more than the current number to have full time coverage that extended beyond midnight.

"I agree," Merritt said. "You have to have the people out there but commissioners must approve more people."

### An Open Letter to the Citizens of Lincoln County

Dear Citizens,

With the November 7<sup>th</sup> general election only days away there are three candidates seeking the office of Lincoln County Sheriff.

I have served three terms as Lincoln County Sheriff, from 1983-1986, and from 1997 to present, and would like for you to consider some of the issues.

Realistically, no candidate can guarantee you a "crime free community" wherein everyone will live happily ever after if he is elected.

However, a sheriff should possess certain qualities and skills in order to conduct a successful crime prevention program and maintain an effective law enforcement agency.

He should be a leader, a manager, an administrator, a planner, an organizer, a trainer, a mediator, a problem solver, a confidant, and above all use good judgement and common sense.

I feel that my broad overall career in law enforcement, which included 6 years as a Texas State Trooper, 8 years as a narcotics agent and supervisor over a 31 county West Texas district, 8 years as Lincoln County Sheriff, and 10 years as an administrator in the New Mexico Corrections Department, uniquely qualifies me to once again serve as your sheriff.

I am proud of my record of accomplishments during my three terms as your elected sheriff and would like to serve you again. My main concern has always been for your personal safety and that of your children.

I pledge to do the best job I can with the resources available and to seek additional funding resources, (i.e., grant money to supplement the budget) to make the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office a professional, effective law enforcement agency that you can be proud of. I would only ask that, prior to casting your vote, you carefully examine the credentials and accomplishments of the candidates seeking this office. Hopefully your vote will be to reelect Sheriff Tom Sullivan. Lincoln County needs an experienced Sheriff.

Without neglecting my responsibilities as your elected Sheriff, I have made a sincere effort to contact as many of you as possible in person to ask for your vote. If I haven't had that opportunity, I am asking for your vote now.

Sincerely,

*Tom Sullivan*

Tom Sullivan  
Lincoln County Sheriff

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# More Midtown parking backed

## Village attorneys will look at ways to assess businesses for development

BY JAMES KALVELAGE  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Attorneys for the village of Ruidoso will look into assessment processes by which Midtown property owners could buy additional parking space.

The village council Tuesday discussed the state's Business Improvement District Act, which allows property tax assessments to finance improvements within a business development district.

Several properties have been talked about to develop parking areas or green space, with purchase prices ranging from \$600,000 to \$1.2 million.

"Downtown merchants are concerned about losing events," Mayor Robert Donaldson said. "The businesses want to help themselves. (New Mexico's) municipal code statutes allow business development districts."

The district would have defined boundaries. Assessments, likely based on property value, would collect ad valorem taxes that would have to be used for a defined development.

"The taxpayers can participate," Donaldson said of the village helping to finance the purchase of a property or two. "But I think they would want to see the businesses help. What we're seeking to do is provide them with an alternative where they can also help themselves and show the taxpayer they want to do that."

While parking and green space both have been considered in the Midtown area, Jimmy Millar, a Midtown business owner, said merchants consider more parking the primary need.

"If we have a parking lot behind the (Comfort Inn) motel and another at the other end (of Midtown), and a trolley running down the street, I think you'd see more gross receipts taxes," Millar said.

He said merchants are willing to show Ruidoso's other taxpayers that they'll do their part to help fund more parking.

The business development district's assessment power would require approval by the district's property owners.

"It takes 51 percent of the assessed value to agree," Donaldson said.

aldson said. "It's not property by property. If one person has a \$1 million assessed value he gets a million votes. And another person is \$30,000 in assessed value, he gets 30,000 votes. But once you hit the 51 percent, it's all it takes. It's not something that can be done lightly, overnight."

Councilor Ron Anderson said the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce is also involved in the effort to help Midtown merchants, working on fundraising and seeking grants.

Anderson noted, following a meeting of some Midtown merchants last month, that parking, not green space, appeared to be the big issue for shop owners.

"This village isn't going to dictate," Donaldson said. "It's up to the Midtown merchants."

Calling a business development district something that needs to be looked at further, the mayor said the idea will be presented to Midtown.

"The time has come and we need to be able to provide the vehicles to do that," Donaldson said.

# Housing land sale hearing Nov. 28

BY JAMES KALVELAGE  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A public hearing, on the sale of village property, has been set for Nov. 28. The Ruidoso village council took the action at their Tuesday meeting.

The land, approximately 12 acres near Grindstone Lake, would be sold to an apartment developer in the village's quest to establish affordable housing. The proceeds would be

used to extend sewers to the edge of the development and into two subdivisions currently on septic systems.

In order to sell real property, the sale must be executed by ordinance, and that requires a public hearing.

CDS Investments Inc., of Salt Lake City, Utah, submitted the only bid in September, offering \$325,000 for the 12-acre parcel. The firm would have to develop a 150-unit

apartment complex.

The sewer extension project is anticipated to cost as much as \$400,000, in which case the sale agreement requires CDS to purchase additional acreage on a pro-rated basis to cover the sewer line cost. Village attorney John Underwood said such "in-kind" agreements are permissible.

Ruidoso owns approximately 400 acres in the Grindstone area.

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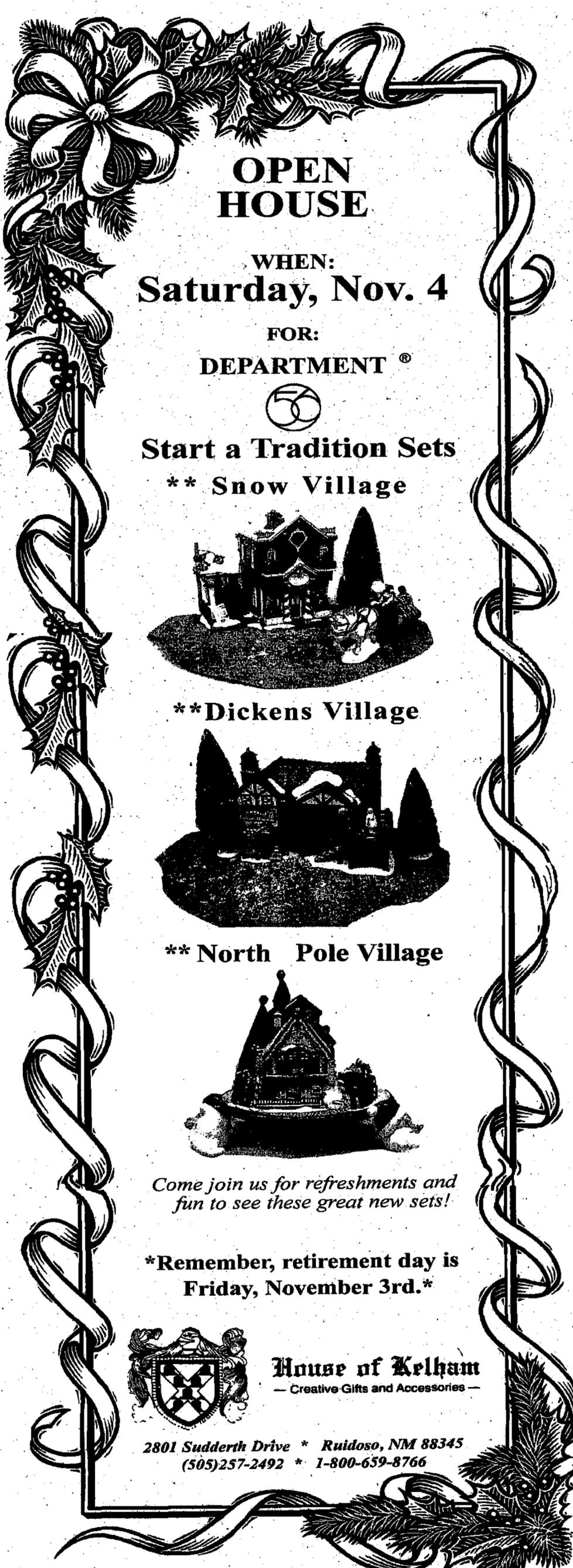
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Mescalero President Sara Misquez spoke of tribal advancements.



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A model of the school complex was displayed on the stage.

**Geronimo doubts method**

Harlyn Geronimo, a member of the Mescalero Tribal Council who did not attend a ground-breaking ceremony for a new school complex Wednesday, said he does not oppose the project, but does think it's a mistake to bond revenues from the tribe's casino to pay for the schools.

Despite his opposition to the method of paying for the \$30 million complex, he would have attended the ceremony if his schedule had allowed it, he said. "It's the obligation of the federal government to build the schools," he said. "Previous administrations didn't want to get into this type of situation."

**Ground broken for new Mescalero Apache school complex**

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

As temperatures dipped and winds picked up Wednesday, members of the Mescalero Apache Tribe celebrated the ground breaking of a new \$30 million school complex set to open for the 2002-2003 school year.

President Sara Misquez said the 205,000-square-foot complex will include an auditorium, computer laboratories, fine arts facilities and a sports complex. Wood, metal, auto and industrial shops will be part of the educational mix.

She thanked the council, "except for the few not in support of this project."

"We are not releasing the government of its obligation to

Mescalero," Misquez said. But starting the project shows the urgent need for the education of the tribe's children, she said, pledging to fight to make the government help pay for the complex, which will accommodate kindergarten through 12th grade. The project also will create jobs, she said.

Greg Mendez, the council member who is chairman of the tribal education committee, said he wants the new school to be the foundation of the tribe, where children can graduate and go on to college, then return to teach or lend their skills at home. The thrust will be excellence in education and athletics, he said.

Council member Christie La Paz said he will be happy for the

day the tribe can offer classes to all of its member children, because he has seen Indian children "pushed aside" in Ruidoso schools.

School Superintendent Ray Swinney thanked teachers and students for their patience over years and led children in a yell of "thank you" to Misquez and the tribal council.

Joe Trujillo, an aide to U.S. Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., said the senator was instrumental in convincing President Clinton to increase funding for Indian school construction. Six new schools, four in New Mexico, are planned next year.

"You're way down on the list, but President Misquez took the reins faster," he said, referring to a bonding finance plan being

used to construct the school complex. "We'll still try to get you more money."

Tom Battin, president of Ruidoso State Bank, recalled first viewing the site of the new school across from the reservation's White Mountain housing development, with the late Wendell Chino, who led the Mescalero for more than 40 years.

He referred to the start of construction as a "high mark in the history of the tribe" and congratulated leaders past and present for the great strides accomplished in one generation.

He noted the economic impact of tribal enterprises on the entire area of the state with a \$25 million payroll last year.

"That happens because

someone dreams a dream and someone does the hard work and gets things done," he said.

In memory of the late President Chino, who died in November 1998, Battin said the bank is donating \$1,000 to a scholarship already established in his name at Ruidoso State Bank.

On a hand-out about the school complex, Misquez wrote that she is working on a plan to use some casino money to fund an established dividend policy, but that must be approved by

the U.S. Secretary of the Interior before it can be implemented.

Since June 1999, the tribe "has rebuilt financial responsibility and community improvement," she wrote. It has reduced its debt service by more than \$8 million, has redeemed more than \$4.5 million in bad checks and overdrafts left by the Paul Ortega administration and has benefited from a nearly \$11 million increase in the investment portfolios established by Chino, she wrote.

**MAGISTRATE COURT**

The following cases were recently adjudicated in Lincoln County Magistrate Court at Ruidoso with Judge William R. Butts presiding.

Joshua Stocks, 23, Ruidoso, entered guilty pleas to counts of aggravated DWI-second offense, driving with a revoked license, evading a police officer, reckless driving, and speeding 67 mph. in a 30 mph zone. Stocks was sentenced to 364 days in the Lincoln County Detention Center and required to pay \$1,147 in fees and fines, which are due 30 days after

release from jail.

Tabatha Rue, 25, Ruidoso Downs, through a plea agreement, was found guilty of driving without a valid driver's license and following to close. A charge of driving with a suspended or revoked license was dismissed. Rue was placed on probation for 90 days and assessed court costs of \$98.

Ronnie Hammett, 37, Capitan, through a plea agreement, was found guilty of second-offense driving while intoxicated, possession of drug paraphernalia, and negligent use of a deadly weapon. Charges of tampering with evidence and possession of less than one ounce of marijuana were dismissed. Hammett was sentenced to

seven days in the Lincoln County Detention Center, placed on probation for 721 days, assessed \$886 in fines and costs, ordered to attend 90 Alcoholics Anonymous meetings in 90 days, and required to perform 48 hours of community service.

Brian T. Hix, 20, Ruidoso, through a plea agreement, was found guilty of driving without a valid driver's license. Charges of driving with

a suspended or revoked license and violating probation were dismissed. Hix was sentenced to 90 days probation and required to pay a \$59 fee.

Ralph Gonzales, 42, Hondo, pled guilty to a petty misdemeanor charge of battery on a household member. Gonzales was sentenced to five days in jail, put on probation for 177 days, assessed court fees of \$51, and ordered to stay away from the victim.

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Southeast Regional Planning Organization (SERPO)  
Joint Policy & Technical Committee Meeting

DATE: Thursday, November 9, 2000  
TIME: 10:00AM  
LOCATION: Civic Center, City of Roswell  
912 North Main St., Roswell NM

A Joint Policy & Technical Committee Meeting of the Southeast Regional Planning Organization (SERPO) will be held to discuss the following agenda items:

**Action Items:** Review/Approval of the October 25, 2000 Meeting Minutes; Proposed Resolution from SERPO to the New Mexico Legislature; Rating, Ranking and Prioritization for FY2001/2002 \$5310 (Elderly and Disabled) and \$5311 (Rural and Small Urban) Transit Grant Applications.

**Discussion and Information Items:** Transportation funding program requirements and overview by the Regional Planning Section, NMSHTD; District 2, Roswell, discussion of the statewide transportation priority map for the SERPO and any transportation related issues; discussion of the FY2000-FY2006 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and FY2001-2007 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIPR) cycle; the State Parks Division, Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Departments' February 9, 2001 trails application deadline and general information; Representation is requested from all municipal, county and tribal governments within Lincoln, De Baca, Curry, Chaves, Roosevelt, Otero, Eddy & Lea counties. Any questions about the agenda may be directed to the SERPO Planner, c/o Regional Planning Section, NMSHTD, P.O. Box 1149, Santa Fe, NM 87504-1149 or by phone at (505) 827-3244.

Pursuant to the American with Disabilities Act of 1990, unless competing reasons dictate otherwise, public meetings and hearings conducted by the Southeast Regional Planning Organization in conjunction with the New Mexico State Highway and Transportation Department will be held in accessible buildings. Given reasonable notice, interpreters and readers will be available to the hearing and visually impaired. Contact the ADA Coordinator at 505-827-1775 by November 6, 2000.

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# Man charged with assault, fleeing accident in Downs

Ruidoso Downs police arrested a Ruidoso man Nov. 1, after the suspect allegedly fled the scene of a two vehicle collision.

Daniel Torres, 23, who also had an Anthony, N.M. address, and was described as a Mexican national, was apprehended following a 1,000 yard foot pursuit.

Police were notified of the accident, on U.S. Highway 70 near Downs Drive, including a report that the driver of one of the vehicles was running from the scene.

The driver and passenger of the second vehicle told an officer after they began to chase Torres he turned, pulled out a knife, and threatened to kill them if they continued to follow

him. Police caught up with Torres in an area near the race track Sports Theater parking lot.

Torres, who was taken into custody without incident, was charged with felony aggravated assault, fleeing the scene of an accident, reckless driving, failing to have a vehicle registration, no driver's license, and no proof of insurance.

Torres was ordered held on a \$10,000 cash only bond by Magistrate Court Judge William Butts.

Torres is also wanted by Ruidoso Municipal Court on a warrant for failing to appear in court. U.S. Border Patrol officials indicated they also wanted Torres.

## RUIDOSO POLICE

### Assault complaints filed

Criminal complaints for misdemeanor assault have been issued for two Ruidoso men in the wake of a Mechem Drive incident on Oct. 30.

According to a Ruidoso police report, officers were dispatched to a report of a fight in progress.

A victim told officers rocks were being thrown at a residence where he was, and when he attempted to leave he was grabbed by the two men and struck in the face.

The two suspects told police there had been no fight.

### Bad checks passed

The Criminal Investigations Division of the Ruidoso Police Department is investigating two separate cases of worthless checks issued to Thriftway Supermarket, 304 Mechem Drive.

In one of the incidents, a \$227.40 check was returned to the store because the checking account was closed. The check was written on the account of a Texas person.

The other case involves a closed account check for \$140.95.

That check was on the

account of a Cloudcroft person.

Both cases are categorized as misdemeanor fraud greater than \$100 but less than \$250. They were reported to police on Oct. 30.

### Domestic response

Ruidoso police responded to a domestic incident Oct. 31 on Texas Street after a 911 hang-up call.

The victim told police she had punched a man after the man allegedly hit her several times.

The victim told police she did not want to press charges.

# Panel to look at park idea

BY JAMES KALVELAGE  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Ruidoso could have a 20-acre park with picnic tables, similar to the Forest Service's Cedar Creek picnic grove, if one idea gains ground.

The village park, just downstream from the Grindstone Dam, could be established in a fashion similar to plans for a new village playground, by assembling volunteer labor, said Mayor Robert Donaldson.

He said a "chain-saw" party could have volunteers clear smaller trees on the property to see what's there and then professionals would come in and work on the larger trees.

In addition to a picnic area the land could be used for events, such as the Pine-stock music festival and the New Mexico State Chili

Cook-off.

"This is a much better site than Schoolhouse Park ever was," Donaldson said. "Event promoters are very excited about this site."

Donaldson said Grindstone Park would primarily be a family recreation area, though by special permit it could be reserved. He said events that use the park might be able to apply for a liquor permit.

"Why do people have to go all the way to Bonito Park to have a picnic?" Donaldson asked during discussion on Grindstone Park.

He said he would like to see people remain in Ruidoso for their recreational activities.

"My concern is if we spend a lot of money for a little use," Councilor Bob Sterchi said.

Donaldson said he did-

n't see the proposed Grindstone Park being an expensive proposition.

"Green-space is important in this town," Donaldson said. "Picnic tables are pretty cheap. First, open it up by clearing some trees. Over time we can see things that can be added."

The mayor envisioned a covered pavilion for group picnics as a possible future addition.

"Keep it natural," Donaldson said. "When there are big events, mow it. It's just a natural site."

The mayor believed most of the clearing work could be done with volunteer help.

"Build it, and they'll come," Councilor Linda Flack said.

The six-person council agreed to establish an ad-hoc committee to look at the Grindstone Park plan.

## Village council vacates Porr Drive right-of-way

Village councilors vacated 2,904 square feet of Porr Drive right-of-way to sell it to Ruidoso Laser Wash.

The right-of-way vacated — which is at the intersec-

tion of Porr and Mechem drives — was considered to be unused because of the recent reconstruction of the intersection.

Ruidoso Laser Wash would

pay \$3 per square foot to acquire the right-of-way.

The vacation request had been endorsed by the village's Planning and Zoning Commission on Oct. 17.

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**Scoreboard**

Thursday, Nov. 2  
Boys soccer  
State tournament: Santa Fe Prep 4, Ruidoso 0

**Preps on tap**

Friday, Nov. 3  
Football  
Ruidoso at home vs. Portales, 7 p.m.  
Boys soccer  
Ruidoso at state tournament, TBD  
Volleyball  
Class AA Regional Tournament: Capitan vs. Cimarron, Silver High School, 3:45 p.m.  
Class A Regional Tournament: Carrizozo vs. Tatum, Eastern New Mexico University, 9 a.m.

Saturday, Nov. 4  
Boys soccer  
Ruidoso at state tournament, TBD  
Cross Country  
Capitan, Mescalero, Ruidoso at State Tournament, Red Rock State Park, Gallup: A-AA boys, 9:30 a.m.; AAA boys, 10 a.m.; A-AA girls, 11:30 a.m.; AAA girls, noon

Football  
State quarterfinals: Capitan at home vs. Navajo Prep, 1 p.m.  
Volleyball  
Capitan at Class AA Regional Tournament, Silver High School, TBD  
Carrizozo at Class A Regional Tournament, Eastern New Mexico University, TBD

**Pecking order**

Team	W	L	Pct.
Eckos	3	0	1.000
All Around	2	0	1.000
Teguilla Slammers	2	0	1.000
P-Funk All Stars	2	1	.667
Aranark	1	1	.500
It's All Good	2	2	.500
Alamo Pipe	1	2	.333
Country Cons	1	2	.333
Big O Tires	0	3	.000
Mescalero Express	0	3	.000

Results for Oct. 31  
Country Cons 95, Mescalero Express 58  
Eckos 68, Big O Tires 41  
It's All Good 61, P-Funk All Stars 57

Games for Nov. 7  
6:30 p.m. — Tegulla Slammers vs. P-Funk All Stars  
7:30 p.m. — Big O Tires vs. Mescalero Express  
8:30 p.m. — Aranark vs. It's All Good

**On Deck**

Pro rodeo  
The Sertoma Motor Speedway Mesa Verde Pro Rodeo is coming to the Otero County Fairgrounds in Alamogordo. The Professional Rodeo and Cowboy Association-sanctioned event will take place today and Saturday beginning at 8 p.m. Produced by Double J Rodeo Palace, Inc., the event will feature bareback riding, saddlebronc riding, calf roping, steer wrestling, team roping, steer roping, barrel racing and bull riding. Ticket prices are \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. Children 6-years-old and younger are free. Tickets may be purchased in Alamogordo at Big O Tires, Alamo Tires, Dollar Boots and Jeans and Holloman Air Force Base.

College rodeo  
Eastern New Mexico University will host its annual College Daze Rodeo at 7:30 p.m. today and Saturday in the Lewis Cooper Rodeo Arena. Admission is free for ENMU students. Admission for adults is \$5, and \$3 for children.

**Volleyball regionals underway**

BY KAREN BOEHLER  
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Capitan and Carrizozo will be fighting to earn a spot at the state volleyball tournament when they compete in the revamped regional tournaments today and Saturday.

One win for either team, and they head to West Mesa High School next week to play for all the marbles. A loss, and the season's over.

As the District 5AA champions, the Tigers will travel to Silver City to face District 8AA runnerup Cimarron. They'll play at 3:45 p.m. today at Silver High School.

Capitan coach Sherry Gowen said the Rams lost a good setter to an injury last week, but still have some strong players.

"They mix the ball up pretty good," she said. "We just need to do our thing and block and we'll be fine."

Gowen said as long as the Tigers play their game, they should do OK. But they can't overlook anyone.

"(Cimarron) very well could have the game of their life. Friday, so we just need to play," she said.

**Griffins fly past Warrior kickers**

BY KAREN BOEHLER  
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

BERNALILLO — Ruidoso's soccer season ended Thursday on a cool Bernalillo morning at the state soccer tournament.

Although the effort was there, the goals weren't, and Santa Fe Prep cruised past the Warriors 4-0.

Early on, the revamped Ruidoso squad — which hadn't played a game together in the current configuration — looked as though it would stay right with the Griffins.

Both sides had chances to score, and there were offensive flurries on both sides.

Santa Fe Prep coach Todd Kurth could be heard urging his players to, "Watch out for No. 9 (Miguel Medrano)" when the action was near the Santa Fe goal.

But a tripping call on Ruidoso gave Prep a penalty kick, and Matt Chalom used the chance to put the ball past Warrior goalie Luis Hernandez.

"When you give up a goal on a PK early, it takes a lot of morale out of the guys," said Warrior coach Corey Hood.

"They were over aggressive to start the game. They were being a little dumb. They were just being too aggressive — diving in when they should have been staying on their feet. We gave up a goal that if we could have kept from giving up, we might have had a definite chance."

Still, even at 1-0 at halftime, it looked as though Ruidoso might be able to stay in the game.

But Griffin Asher Tenn-McClellan didn't waste any time in the second half, putting another ball past Hernandez one minute into the second half.

Kurth said that was what he wanted.

"I think we had some nerves and some butterflies going in the first half, and I told them to settle down and start playing a ground game; start playing some smart soccer," Kurth said. "We had to separate from those guys on the score. We couldn't let the game go 1-0. Too close. Anything can happen at 1-0."



Warriors Daniel Duncan, No. 7, and Miguel Medrano try to get the ball ahead of Griffin Stehan Pruell.

With Prep up 2-0, Hood said the Warriors had to start making changes — bringing their defense up to try to score.

"The strength of our team is in our defense, and our defense then had to start stepping up trying to get some goals," the coach said. "And when you try and score goals, sometimes you give up goals. When you're here, a 1-0 loss is no different than a 4-0 loss. Once you give up one you have to try and sneak back in and get back in the game. Four nothing looks worse on the score card but you still go home."

With the Ruidoso defense trying to generate offense, Santa Fe Prep pushed two more balls into the goal; Othiamba Umi scored 11 minutes into the second half, and Stefan Friedman-Gerlicz notched the final Griffin goal with 17:20 remaining in the game.

With the Warriors missing much of the offensive power that propelled them through the season, Ruidoso was out shot 24-

4. That said a lot for Hernandez, who made some solid saves throughout the game.

"The biggest thing that was a problem was just communicating with the other guys, which he just hasn't had a year's worth of experience at doing," Hood said. "Knowing when to come out. Knowing when to go out. Knowing when to let Sean (Sebastian) or Ryan (Blackman) head a ball out. He did a very good job. It's just experience."

The turmoil of the past few weeks didn't show on the field, as the Warriors gave it their all.

"(The Santa Fe Prep) studs play soccer because they don't have football," Hood said. "They just have a lot more experience, a lot more depth than we have. I just feel so bad because our guys worked so hard. That's competition, but they worked their butts off and I couldn't be any prouder of them."

**Capitan Tigers take aim on Eagles**

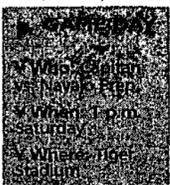
BY KAREN BOEHLER  
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

While last week's district championship victory over Animas might have come as a surprise to some Capitan fans, coach Ed Davis said he knew all along that his team had the heart to do it.

Although a 5-5 season record may not seem like championship material, Davis said the Tigers played the toughest Class A schedule in the state — facing Class A No. 1 team Hagerman and No. 2 Fort Sumner, and the No. 4 and 5 Class AA teams: Dexter and Lordsburg.

"It was a tough schedule," Davis said. "We knew that going in. It's bugged us and bugged us. We lost kids to grades. That's hurt us. But these kids have been able to overcome this and still continue on, which that shows character."

That character has landed the Tigers in the state quarterfinals, facing District 1A champion Navajo Prep at 1 p.m. Saturday in Capitan.



Davis said he doesn't know much about Navajo Prep, other than "they're very big." He said he hasn't seen any film of the Eagles, but knows they have several good running backs.

"They line up and do a lot of power running, as far as we can tell," he said.

Tyrel Noelson, 140-for-916; Royal Martin, 144-for-867; and Darren Oliver, 60-for-357, lead the Prep ground game.

But Capitan can match those numbers. Justin Hunter is 115-for-1,006, Joey Saiz 105-for-913 and Michael Walker 62-for-674.

"We are also a power running ball club," Davis said. "We get in the wing-T and we run our trap boot sweep. We feel like that's a necessity to do that."

"I feel like we've still got to go out and do the things we're capable of doing best," he said. "We've got to make those things work."

Capitan didn't pass much against Animas because of a lingering shoulder injury

to quarterback Saiz. But the senior is expected to be 100 percent by Saturday, and his stats — 12 for 35 for 330 yards in the air — mean the Tigers may try some passing.

Although the northern New Mexico teams traditionally aren't as strong as those from the south, Davis knows the Tigers will have to work hard to earn a win.

The Eagles earned their title last week with an overtime victory vs. McCurdy.

"It's going to be a tough game," he said. "They've got a pretty decent ball club, as best as I can find out."

Just the fact the Tigers are back at home — after a tough loss vs. the Alamogordo sophomores in the last regular-season home game — should help.

"It's a lot better than having to go all the way to Escalante," he said. "We hope that's in our favor. Our last home game didn't turn out the way we wanted it to, but it seems like right now our kids are focused; hopefully they are. (I told them.) You're playing for the championship right now. You're playing for all the marbles. Losers check it in. Winners keep going. That's the only way you can look at it."

**Runners ready to take on all comers**

BY KAREN BOEHLER  
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Runners from three area schools head to Gallup Saturday to compete in the state cross country tournament at Red Rocks State Park.

Although northern New Mexico squads have historically dominated the competition, none of the local runners are intimidated.

Ruidoso's girls, who will compete as a team, as anxious to get on the course and compete, said Warrior head coach Ronny Maskew.

"I think they're all excited about being the district champions and they're ready to go up there and run," he said. "That's a good feeling, to know they're all ready and eager to run."

Amanda Montes, who finished 74th last year and would like to break into the top 50 Saturday, thinks the squad has a chance of doing well.

"We'll do pretty good," she said. "A lot of girls stepped up

and did really good (at the district meet.) We're going to have a good team."

Eva Rehfeld sprained her ankle at the district run, but was back practicing Tuesday.

Maskew agrees with Montes that the Lady Warriors could do well.

"We don't know much about any of the teams we're going to be running against, but all of them feel like they're ready to have their best performance of the year, and we're anxious to get there and see how we do," he said. "What we want to do is go out there back and give our best performance to help build for the future."

Things aren't quite as rosy on the boys side.

Junior Josh Romero was sick during the district meet, and still wasn't feeling well enough to practice Tuesday.

Maskew said he wasn't concerned about Romero missing practice, but was worried about a lack of energy from the illness.

The coach said they'd have

to wait and see how Romero feels before saying whether he'll run or not.

Last week, after the district meet, Romero didn't want to look ahead.

"It depends on how I'm feeling them, because ... my goal was to beat Amik, and it didn't happen just because physically I wasn't there," he said. "I think it's a little too early to say what my goal for state is."

Whether or not Romero is able to run, Willie Comanche will be representing the Warriors.

The AAA boys will run at 10 a.m., with the girls going at noon.

Capitan  
Capitan's boys finished a solid second at their tough district meet last week, and while coach Zale Woodward where he thinks his team will finish at state, he's proud to see the first-year team just competing.

"We just want to compete as a team and score as a team," he said. "Wherever that puts us,

**Do or die for Warrior gridders**

BY KAREN BOEHLER  
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

For Ruidoso and Portales, it's do or die at Horton Stadium tonight.

Whichever team wins the gridiron matchup advances to the state playoffs. For the loser, the season is over.

"The way we look at it is this is a playoff game," said Warrior coach Rodney Webb. "Because if we win, we go on and if we lose, we don't."

Webb expects it to be a "no holds barred" matchup, pitting the 4-3, 1-1 Warriors against the 7-1, 1-1 Rams.

In district, both teams have beaten Santa Teresa, and both have lost to Lovington.

That gives the Wildcats the District 4AAA title, but the winner will earn the runner up title.

Webb said he expects tonight's game to be rough and tumble.

"They are extremely big and they are extremely physical," he said. "The only way to



counter that is to be as physical as them. And I'm talking both sides of the ball. We have got to play our most physical game of the year."

The good news for the Warriors on that front is that the squad is healthy. Even Nathan Stanaland is close to coming back.

Although the senior won't play tonight — he's penciled in for the regular-season finale vs. New Mexico Military Institute next week — he's been practicing non contact drills and just knowing he's coming back could give the squad a psychological lift, Webb said.

The bad news for Ruidoso is that starting offensive lineman David Rice won't be starting because of grades. But Webb said missing a player or two is nothing new this season.

"Virtually every week this year we've had an injury or an illness or something that we've had to overcome," he said. "So I think it's something we're used to and are prepared to deal with."

Webb laughs when asked if he's decided on a kicker yet (to replace suspended starter Jesse Anderson), but said Phillip Darley and Chad Swanner will kick off "depending on the kind of kick we want," and that while "the extra point and field goal duty is still up in the air," he gives the early nod to Todd Schrader.

The key to the game, though, won't be kicking.

Webb said the Warriors have to go out and play mistake-free ball, and keep the ball away from the Rams.

"Their game plan against every opponent is to control the ball and execute long scoring drives," Webb said. "We can't allow them to do that. We can't allow them to go three yards, three yards, three yards."

That's something Webb said the Warriors have had trouble doing this season, but thinks the off week between the Santa Teresa win and tonight's matchup has been good for the squad.

"We've taken good advantage of our time. We think we're the most prepared we've been for a game in recent memory — dating back to the past several years," he said.

Offensively, Ruidoso needs

# WARRIORS: Ruidoso faces must-win situation

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to play its game, and do away with the mistakes.

"Offensively, at this point in the season, you can't go changing a lot of stuff. We're just going to do what we do offensively," Webb said. "We're

going to throw a lot. And it's just a matter that we execute. There hasn't been a team this year that's stopped us from throwing the ball. We've just stopped ourselves."

Webb is also hoping the home-field advantage — with the enthusiastic Warrior fans,

the cold and the elevation — will be a plus for his squad.

"It just comes down to getting it done," Webb said. "Our kids are going to be motivated. They're going to be emotional out there and they're going to be fired up because they know what's at stake."

# X-C: Area teams shoot for state titles

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Saturday, while the A-AA girls run at 11:30 a.m.

### Mescalero

The Chiefs had a disap-

pointing district meet, finishing fourth as a team and failing to qualify.

But sophomore runner Warren Sago, who's been wowing his opposition most of the season and finished third at dis-

trict, will compete as an individual.

"I'm sure Warren will do well," said coach Thurman Sanchez. "We're looking forward to the race and he's looking forward to the race."

# V-BALL: Capitan, 'Zozo fighting for state berths

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If Capitan gets by Cimarron, they'll face the winner of the Sandia

Prep/Santa Fe Indian School contest at 10:30 a.m. Saturday.

Gowen predicts her squad will face the Matadors, which would be an unusual coincidence.

The last time Capitan played Sandia Prep was in 1988, when Gowen was a player and the Tigers defeated the Matadors then went on to win the state title.

She knows the matches will get tougher as the season progresses.

"They're real fundamental-

ly sound," Gowen said of Sandia Prep.

But she's looking forward to the upcoming action.

"We're ready.

Let's do this," the coach said.

### Carrizozo

Carrizozo just missed earning the District 7A title last week, falling to Mountainair by the slimmest of margins.

The runner up status sends the Grizzlies to Eastern New Mexico University, where they'll face Tatum in opening-round action at 9 a.m. today.

The Grizzlies lost to the Coyotes late in the season, but the match was two days after an exhausting five-game loss to Mountainair, and 'Zozo was playing without

two seniors and with another injured starter.

Coach Jeanna Morton thinks things can and will be different today.

"I think we can play them a good, strong game," she said. "Just because we lost previously, I don't think that indicates what we'll do this time."

She said the Grizzlies just need to come out ready to play. "We need to make sure we're moving on the ball," she said. "We need to work on that. Make sure we're moving smoothly. Everybody's covering their positions. Making sure we've got all our holes covered on the court."

And she echoes Capitan's coach in saying the team is ready.

"We're very ready," she said.

If 'Zozo gets by Tatum, the squad will face the winner of the Grady/Gateway Christian game at 5:45 p.m. Saturday.

# Local coach honored by ENMU

BY KAREN BOEHLER  
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

A volunteer softball coach at Ruidoso High School has been honored by his alma mater.

Carl Efurud, who works with the Warrior pitchers and catchers, was inducted into the Eastern New Mexico University Athletics Hall of Honors in September during homecoming ceremonies.

"(It was) rather a surprise," Efurud said of the long-overdue honor.

He said he was in Arkansas visiting his mother when his wife, Betty, called to tell him he'd been picked.

"It was kind of hard for me to believe at the time," he said.

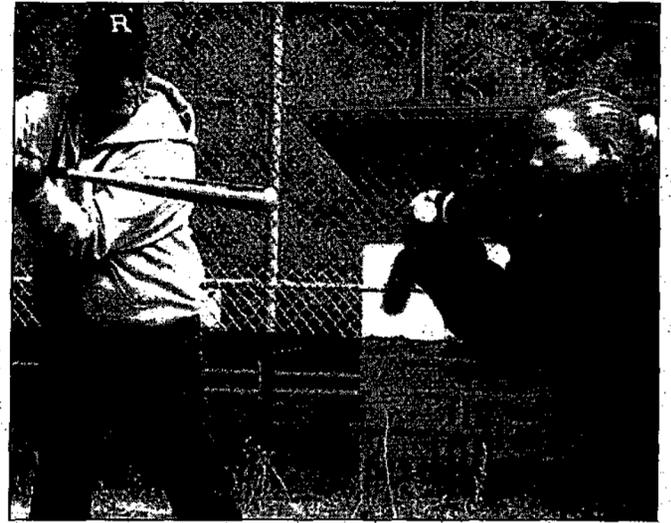
Efurud and Betty spent the homecoming weekend in Portales, where they were feted at a breakfast and at halftime ceremonies, rode in the homecoming parade — "I got to ride in the rumble seat of a car," Efurud said. "I've always wanted to do that." — and watched the Greyhounds lose narrowly to Abilene Christian.

Efurud graduated from Jal High School, then spent four years with the ENMU football team.

He was a member of the undefeated 1957 squad (9-0-1), was named the hardest blocker-tackler that year and earned the Brazell Award as a senior in 1958.

Efurud received the U.S. Army Outstanding Lineman award when he played at Fort Riley following graduation from Eastern.

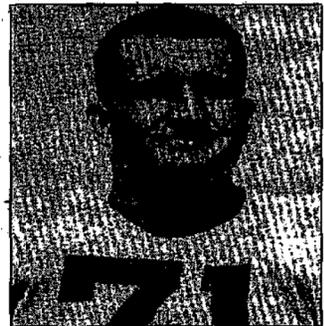
After his stint in the Army, Efurud and Betty moved to northwest New Mexico, where he taught industrial arts and



Carl Efurud works with grandniece Crystal Gheer on her batting stance.

coached football.

The two spent 38 years in Farmington — Efurud taught for most of his career at Kirtland



Carl Efurud in his 1957 yearbook picture.

Central, then for eight years at Farmington High.

He has a street named in his honor at the AAAAA high school.

But Betty's roots are in Ruidoso Downs.

She graduated from Ruidoso High, has family in the village and the two have always visited.

Three years ago, after Efurud retired, they moved to Ruidoso Downs, and just recently decided to make it their permanent home.

Efurud coached softball for many years in Farmington, and with grand niece Crystal Gheer a big part of the Warrior team, he offered his services to the squad.



## Fishing report

**For fly fishing — RIO RUIDOSO:** The browns are beginning their annual spawning. The spawn should last well into December. The NIMGF Department has recently stocked the river so you should find a good number of rainbows about. The best subsurface fly selections remain bead head pheasant tail nymphs or bead head prince nymphs. If you find surface feeding fish, we would suggest Parachute Adams, Hendrickson's, or BWO's. Toss a small hopper in green or yellow to see what happens for we are at the end of hopper season. **SOUTH-FORK:** No change here. Very little water flowing. You will need to hike a mile or so up stream before you will find fish. This is mostly pocket water fishing, so place your efforts on pools and cuts. Bead head nymphs, stimulators and small hoppers are always effective on these small feisty fish. These fish are hungry and not fussy. **BONITO LAKE:** Late evening fishing is still best here. Fish the upper end of the lake near where the Rio Bonito stream enters the lake. Look for rising fish. Small light colored dry fly patterns such as light Cahills or blonde Wulffs or yellow humpies are working well. If you do fish this area and catch a brook, please return it to the water. The number of brooks in the Bonito watershed is very low; we need to keep them there. Spin casters will do well with propeller flies behind a bubble rig. Black, peacock, olive or renegade prop flies are still productive. **GRINDSTONE LAKE:** Late afternoon and early evening fishing will still produce the best fishing here. Bead head flash-a-buggers and assorted streamers also continue to be effective near dark. Most subsurface flies should be fished quite deep. Bubble rigs and propeller flies will do well for the spin caster fisherman. Renegade, black and olive propeller flies have been working. Try a hot pink prop; some folks have reported action with them. Remember to squeeze the hook bars down if you are planning to catch and release.

**LAKE Mescalero:** The fishing late afternoon and evening remains good. Dry flies continue to be working toward evening. Patterns that have been producing are Hendrickson's, Wulff patterns, Humpy's and Parachute Adams. Bead head brown and black woolly flash-a-buggers have been productive. Place a dropper fly behind your dry and see what happens. Black, brown and olive propeller flies with a bubble rig have been doing well for the spin casters. Remember to purchase your day pass at the reception desk at the Inn. Practice catch and release wherever and whenever you can. Check out our Web site at [www.fly-etc.com](http://www.fly-etc.com). Jim Shoop, Fly's Etc.

**Bait Fishing:** **BONITO LAKE:** Fishing is fair on Pistol Petes and Panther Marlin lures. Remember that Bonito Lake closes Nov. 30. **GRINDSTONE LAKE:** Fishing is fair on powerbait.

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# A season of fun predictions

BY TIM KEITHLEY  
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

I have three hobbies: politics, horse racing and the weather.

The fascination behind all of them is trying to predict what will happen. There is nothing more exciting than sticking your neck out and trying to pick winners.

Here goes:

•If you get the chance on Saturday afternoon at 3:15, get in front of a television and watch Fusaichi Pegasus run in the Breeder's Cup Classic. The three-year-old will win the nation's top thoroughbred race and then retire to stud (not bad work, if you can get it).

This is the greatest Thoroughbred race horse since Secretariat. It will be worth your time to watch him race one final time.

•Here's a gentlemen's wager that Benjamin Harrison never thought he would be making headlines in the year 2000.

But here we are, with the former President of six score back in the headlines. To refresh your high school civics textbook memory, he was the last guy to win the Oval Office without winning the popular vote.

•Prediction No. 2: Gov. George W. Bush

wins the election while Vice President Al Gore wins the White House.

It's possible that Gore will win the election by taking only 17 of 50 states, which contain enough Electoral College votes to put him over the top. It is almost impossible for Bush to win the election if he loses New York, California and Florida. He is either behind or neck-and-neck in all three states this (Thursday) morning.

•Hillary Clinton wins in New York, Tom Sullivan wins the sheriff's race, the mill levy passes, Kona Gold wins the Breeder's Cup Sprint, Meadow Valley will be here until Christmas, and we'll get three inches of snow Sunday night.

One more prediction: I'll lose \$200 this weekend betting on horses.

•Speaking of Sullivan, I thought our radio debate this week featuring the sheriff and his two challengers was lively.

I like all three men. Sullivan, Ray Merritt and Tony Seno all care deeply about being sheriff. The reason why Sullivan will win is because incumbents almost always win three-dog races.

When you have two challengers, it splits the opposition vote.

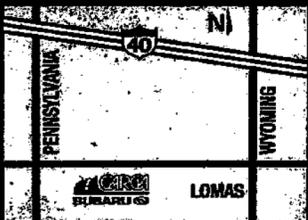
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Late husband's love of ornaments  
inspires woman's library exhibit

# of Christmas past

Display to remain through the holidays

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Carving until his death 18 months ago, Harry Jackson created stylized Santa Claus figures that were snatched up by buyers and treasured by his children.

Now Reggie Jackson shares with the public the few figures she still owns of her husband's work. They're part of an old-fashioned Christmas display at the Ruidoso Public Library that will remain in the main case by the checkout counter through the holidays.

The display also incorporates old glass and molded ornaments, an ancient string of tree lights, tin trims, old tinsel stored in its original box, children's toys and small canisters.

Jackson's creative touch, cultivated from years of dealing in antiques, adds just the right tone to the display.

Her husband started carving about 15 years ago as a past time, Jackson said, adding that she used to tease that he

liked making sawdust.

He first carved ducks, she said.

"But that took so long, I suggested he do primitive Santas," she said. "We did a few shows and sold quite a few."

They were living in western Washington State at the time and Jackson noticed intriguing displays set up by residents at the library there.

When she tired of the rain and yearned for more sunshine seven years ago, they moved to Ruidoso.

Earlier this year, Jackson plunged into her first library display, bringing old cook

books and equipment for the public to enjoy.

"In Washington, they used to change the display every three to four weeks," she said. "They had everything from collections of teapots to rocks to beaded purses. It was enough to draw people to the library just to see the displays."

Jackson said she hopes other people in Lincoln County will follow her lead and offer future displays to the library.

"If they think they have something people would enjoy, it's a good feeling to be able to share them with other people," she said.



Reggie Jackson, above right, carefully arranges a display of carved Santa Clauses and other items as a celebration of an old-fashioned Christmas at the Ruidoso Public Library. One of Harry Jackson's carved primitive Santas, above left, is part of the display. Jackson carved Santas of all descriptions. The display at the library includes one unfinished piece behind a black Santa Claus, right.

Dianne Stallings/Ruidoso News



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Nov. 3, 1950

**Political gathering at Navajo Club**

A large and enthusiastic crowd greeted John E. Miles and his political companions at the Navajo Club Monday night. Many said the crowd exceeded any other political gathering held in Ruidoso in many years.

Mr. Miles (gubernatorial candidate) was accompanied by A. N. Fernandez, Representative from New Mexico in Congress; Tibo Chavez, candidate for lieutenant governor; and Robert D. Castner, candidate for state auditor.

Nov. 4, 1960

**Main Road again center of squabble**

Telephone calls to Mayor Robert Pearson of Ruidoso and to the Ruidoso News by state Highway Commissioner John Sudderth early this week were for the purpose of assuring that this community would get "one of the finest paving projects" it has ever had when bids are let in January by the state highway department.

He made the calls after last Friday's action in Santa Fe in which the highway commission had an internal squabble over a shortage in secondary road funds — and which led to Sudderth's withdrawing the proposed Ruidoso improvement from consideration last weekend.

Nov. 6, 1970

**GOP elects three in county contest**

Lincoln County voters elected three Republican candidates in the only local contested races in the county.

John E. Conway, Alamogordo-Ruidoso attorney, won his bid for the state senatorial seat vacated by Joe Skeen; Mabel Vigil, Carrizozo, won the County Treasurer's position; and Republican John Stark was reelected as County Commissioner for District 3.

Nov. 6, 1980

**The Silver Lining by Daniel Agnew Storm**

Two fine folks celebrated birthdays in October, and just barely inside the blue and golden Indian Summer Month.

Mrs. Edith Coe Boyce, lifelong pioneer resident of Lincoln County, and our great little neighbor, Craig Whipple, celebrated birthdays together on October 31.

The celebration took place at the home of Pal and Nellie Ruth Jones down at what the old timers used to call "The Narrows."

Nov. 8, 1990

**66.9% of registered voters cast ballots**

This year's general elections drew a better turnout than expected with a total of 66.9 percent of all registered voters casting a ballot.

Lincoln County had 7,042 registered voters eligible to vote in Tuesday's elections. 4,709 of those made a decision in the county's and state leadership. ...

Straight-ticket voters were in the majority this election. Sam Chavez, the Lincoln County Elections Clerk, said that 3,050 voters pulled a straight party line. Of those, 1,691 voted Republican and 1,359 voted Democrat.



Courtesy Roland Niesner  
 Attending Ruidoso's Oktoberfest was a natural for German citizens Roland and Birgit Niesner, who have lived in Alamogordo since May of 1999. The frequent visitors to Ruidoso and Cloudcroft see the Sacramento Mountains

"I enjoy the freedom of mind, the openness. New Mexico is very special. The people seem to be very proud."

**Roland Niesner**  
 of the German Air Force,  
 Holloman AFB

# A touch of Bavaria in Ruidoso

BY JAMES KALVELAGE  
 RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The recent Oktoberfest activities in Ruidoso captured true German flavor.

Though they presently live in Alamogordo, Roland and Birgit Niesner are born and raised Rhinelanders. The couple, thirtysomethings, trekked up the mountain to check out Ruidoso's Oktoberfest last month.

"We've gotten used to American food," Roland said amid the Oktoberfest booths selling bratwurst, German potato soup, apple kuchen, and other eastern European fare.

Roland Niesner is one of the 700 members of the German Air Force training at Holloman Air Force Base.

"It was something to get used to," he said of southern New Mexico. "I first came here in 1997, driving, to see what it was like. The weather is very hot in May and June. Eastern Europe is not like that."

One the other hand, Birgit labeled the October weather enjoyable.

"I called back to Germany and they tell us it's cold, rainy," she said. "And we got used to the heat. It's very dry. We really enjoy it. If you want it cooler, drive up to Cloudcroft or Ruidoso."

Roland said the mountain communities not far from Alamogordo offer outdoor activities like hiking and biking, which are popular activities back in Germany.

"Coming from Germany, everything there is crowded. You're very open here," Roland said of the immediate area, and the sparsely developed Southwest in general.

"I enjoy the freedom of mind, the openness. New Mexico is very special. The people seem to be very proud."

The couple equated the Ruidoso area to Bavaria, where Roland was born in 1965.

He lived and was schooled for 20 years in Ingolstaet, a city about 35 miles north of Munich, which in its own right is renown for its Oktoberfest celebration.

While Ruidoso's Oktoberfest is held indoors, Roland said in Munich the event includes hundreds of tents set up outside in a central Munich location about the size of a Ruidoso golf course. He recommends that those who travel to Germany in the fall seek October festivals in smaller communities. The smaller communities offer a real flavor of the region.

Birgit was born in 1964, in Ostfriesland, northern Germany. Having worked nearly 15 years in account-

ing, she met Roland several years before they married in 1999.

While Roland has had earlier experience in America through his military duty, Birgit has been in the U.S. for less than 18 months. The couple married in March, 1999, and arrived in Alamogordo two months later.

"We were here one-and-one-half weeks when I had to go to Ellis (Air Force Base), Roland said. "Birgit was here one-and-one-half weeks and I was gone. She went to the P-X and met a couple from Ruidoso."

"I was looking for a barbecue (grill)," Birgit added. "I didn't know what to look for. They (the Ruidoso area couple) asked if I needed help. We got invited to Ruidoso."

The couple's first taste of Ruidoso was in June, 1999. They've been back often.

"The city is more impressive than Alamogordo," Birgit said. "It reminds us of Germany."

Both espoused the recreational opportunities in the Sacramento Mountains.

"The trees, you don't see them so much in Alamogordo," Roland said. "The (pine) needles, leaves, it's almost like Bavaria. It gave us a nice feeling to have a place to go to. It's only one

hour 20 minutes to get up here."

Birgit, who as a non-American is not allowed to work in the U.S., said she enjoys sports, aerobics, and outdoor activities. She did take a course in the English language last year at New Mexico State University in Alamogordo. She said it is important for the spouses of the German Air Force members to become involved in activities since they are prohibited from employment without a "green card."

"For many, the wives go back home to Germany, or some get divorced," Roland said, acknowledging the strain on spouses of being without a job and away from home.

But the Niesners feel they're in southern New Mexico at least until Roland's contract to provide fighter jet instruction with the German Air Force at Holloman ends in late 2001.

Eventually the couple envisions a return to Germany and building a home.

"Home is here too," Roland said. "We've met a lot of friendly people. And I have a Texas family that I stayed with when I was at Sheppard Air Force Base. They are like family. And we have family in Germany. Wherever we go, it's like coming back home."

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I guess it is the weather, but we seem to be having problems getting on the Internet and browser the past couple of days. Wonder if they are still installing the fiber optics line to Hondo. We also will have a new tower in the Arabela area; I understand there will be three new communication towers, for Arabela, Ruidoso and Carrizozo.

Phyllis Zumwalt's mother, Jessie Longley-Minter, passed away in Las

Cruces Thursday, Oct. 26. She was a lovely lady and always had a smile and a greeting for everyone. She will be missed by her extended family.

Memorial services will be held in Nogal at 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 4.

Halloween has come and gone once again. No goblins in Lincoln, as the youngsters attended the activities in Capitan.

How many forgot to change their clocks back one hour on Sunday morning? I certainly don't like changing the time twice a year.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman McArthur attended the homecoming activities of New Mexico Military Institute, Roswell, recently.

Bob Graham attended a water seminar and certified operator classes in Angel Fire last week.

It is fall time, and two businesses have closed until next spring. The Wortley Hotel served its last meal Sunday and La Paloma Art gallery had its last show this past week. Both had a successful summer and look forward to reopening in the spring.

Jerry Flores, operator of the Wortley Hotel Restaurant, plans opening the Chango Restaurant in Capitan sometime in November, so we will still enjoy his great cooking.

Betty Shreengost is in Albu-

querque to see specialists. We wish her Godspeed and that she comes home with news.

Lincoln is getting very popular for weddings at various sites this fall. We have had weddings at the Ellis store, San Juan's Church and the Courthouse.

We have enjoyed a couple of days of sunshine, but it looks like we may have some more moisture later this week. It seems to be very general. So much of the county has not had any precipitation, so this moisture is very welcome.

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**The Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce is New Mexico's**



Joan Zagone, the chamber's executive director, is presented with the Chamber of the Year award by Bob Cochar, editor of the New Mexico Business Journal

Courtesy Association of Commerce and Industry

**CHAMBER OF THE YEAR**

BY JAMES KALVELAGE  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

**T**he Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce has been honored as the state's chamber of the year by the New Mexico Business Journal and the state Association of Commerce and Industry.

Chamber executive director Joan Zagone said the award was the result of the local chamber board's commitment.

"I am so proud for my board," Zagone said. "It took a lot of concentration and commitment."

In presenting the award during a statewide chamber gathering in Cloudcroft two weeks ago, Bob Cochar, editor of the New Mexico Business Journal, cited member-oriented efforts by the

Ruidoso Valley chamber as the factor for the honor. Cochar said the Ruidoso area chamber had implemented a number of changes in communicating with and representing its members, as well as giving stature to its members that sets them apart from the rest of the business community.

"The chamber was determined to offer its members real value from their chamber relationship," Cochar said.

"It established business councils for each of the 10 business sectors in the community so that the entire business community would be fairly represented. To do this, revisions in policies and procedures had to take place. Perhaps most important in this process was the development of a 'value system' for members, the board and the staff, one that commits everyone to the motto, 'excellence

through service.' Indeed, each of its members are requested to sign this pledge, and this does set them apart from the rest of the business community."

Zagone said other chambers around New Mexico have inquired on the business council approach to representation. Two other chambers were honored at the Cloudcroft gathering.

The meritorious service award was presented to the Greater Albuquerque Chamber of Commerce, to recognize the chamber's education initiative.

Susan Musgrave, executive director of the Los Alamos Chamber, was named New Mexico's chamber executive of the year for a coordinated recovery effort in the aftermath of the Cerro Grande fire that swept through part of the community in May.

**Valor apologizes for service problems**

BY JAMES KALVELAGE  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

It has been a trying first two months for Valor Telecom, and for some of the phone company's customers.

"The grumbles are legitimate," said Duffy Swan, Valor's vice president of governmental relations for New Mexico. "We feel embarrassed."

Valor purchased telephone lines and equipment in New Mexico and two other states from GTE. The sale was finalized in New Mexico on Sept. 1.

Some customers have complained, especially on long waits to establish new service.

"We have some (computer) system glitches," Swan said. "The system has been scheduling work dates 13, 15, 17 days out. Customers are saying 'Is that the best you can do?' Service orders get placed, but the orders don't go out on the system. Then the customer calls and asks 'Where are you?' The order's not in the system."

Swan said as the computer system is being fixed orders are being handled manually.

"We're ... telling them that we are committed to regaining their trust."

Duffy Swan,  
Valor vice president

The phone company executive noted much of the equipment inherited from GTE is in need of repair or replacement.

"And we have a high percentage of inexperienced, new people," Swan said. "In New Mexico we've hired 180 new people. On top of that, we deployed 18 additional service technicians effective Oct. 30."

He said the entire service team worked last weekend to try to reduce a backlog.

"That's the good side; we're committing more people to work on installations and repairs," Swan said.

Another plus the Valor official pointed to is research and testing on DSL (high speed data). Swan said the vision is to begin the first rollout of DSL in 2001.

"It's high-speed services that we have committed to in New Mexico, including Ruidoso. We promised to have it within 24 months after taking over from GTE."

Also vowed for 2001 is CLASS, or customer local area subscriber services. That includes customer options like speed calling, call waiting and call forwarding. Swan said Valor will have the services available in every phone exchange.

"But the last two months, it's been getting a feel of what we inherited," Swan said. "We anticipated some bumps in the road, but it's been giving us more problems. It's like the birthing process. We see solutions."

Swan said Valor is close to agreements with cellular phone providers after discovering the accords were needed to eliminate toll charges for land phone customers calling cellular exchanges. Ruidoso area Valor customers found per-minute charges on their first bill if they called the 420 or 430 cellular exchanges. Swan said those charges have been removed from Valor customer billings.

"I'm calling customers personally," Swan said. "Anne (Bingaman, president of Valor) is talking to customers. We're apologizing, and telling them that we are committed to regaining their trust."

**MARKET GLANCE**

**Economy slowing, but less than meets the eye**

BY SUNG WON SOHN  
CHIEF ECONOMIST, WELLS FARGO

An economic slowdown is here. Growth should settle to a sustainable pace of about 3.5 percent next year, down from the sizzling rate of 5.4 percent over the last four quarters.

The gradual dissipation of the wealth effect from the stock market is a major reason; today about 20 percent of gains in consumer spending is attributable to the boom in the stock market. Capital spending on computers, software, pickup trucks, etc., won't be growing at an exponential rate for the following reasons.

The cost of capital has shot up for many firms, especially in the stock market. Slowing cashflows is another reason. The cost of technology after adjusting for inflation is no longer falling as rapidly giving businesses a reason for pause in capital spending.

However, the risk of a hard landing is increasing. The equity

market looks fragile; a major correction that will sap consumer and business confidence as well as spending plans is not out of the question. The credit squeeze is spreading. In response to rising charge-offs and delinquency rates, financial institutions have tightened credit standards. The IPO volume has dipped sharply. The junk bond market, especially for the telecoms, has plunged. Foreign borrowers face sharply higher interest rates.

The political instability in the Middle East and the price of oil are additional uncertainties that could push us into a recession.

**Bonds: Credit spreads are generous — now**

As a soft landing unfolds, interest rates should trend down, and credit spreads which have widened because of a slowing economy, should narrow. Should a recession become more likely, however, investors would

shun non treasuries. The current credit spreads are generous if a soft landing materializes. But, investors should stick to high quality instruments since the risk of a recession is rising.

The Federal Reserve has already announced a "tightening bias." Nevertheless, Chairman Alan Greenspan won't cut interest rates anytime soon. Economic slowdown is occurring.

Productivity gains are limiting inflation. It might take a financial crisis like the stock market crash of 1987 or the Russian default of 1998 to persuade the central bank to cut interest rates. At the moment, the central bank is more likely to raise interest rates.

**Stocks: More realistic**

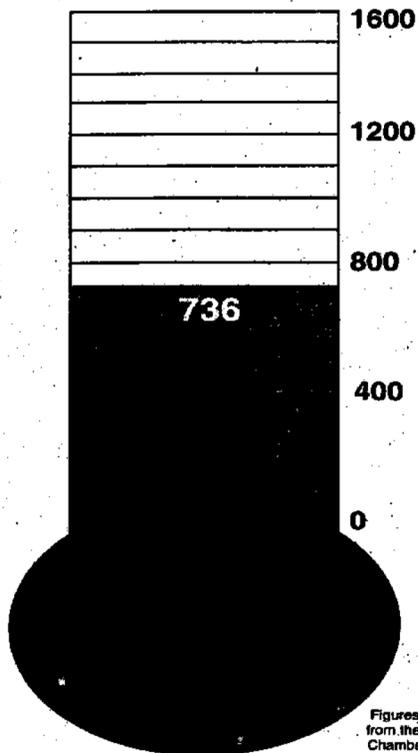
The economic slowdown and high valuations are causing investors to form reduced, but more realistic expectations of future earnings and stock prices. Economic slowdown

means more earnings disappointments. Valuation (P/E ratio), the primary engine of the stock market boom over last several years, is still at lofty levels, especially among high-tech firms. For example, over a five-year period, a high-tech firm with a P/E ratio of 40 over trailing earnings and a net margin of 15 percent would have to double sales every year in order to increase earnings by 20 per year; a difficult, if not impossible, task. The bottom line is that the upside potential for equities is severely limited.

At the same time, uncertainties are increasing for stocks. Risks include the growing risk of a recession, monetary policy, stuttering economic growth overseas, and a credit squeeze. Diversification and stock picking should receive more attention.

In a volatile market, it is more difficult to recoup big losses because the upside potential is very limited.

**Lincoln County Regional Business Survey**



Figures as of 10/31/00 from the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce

# Officials to seek opinion on waste agency boss

Attorney general would decide whether county commissioner's employment is a conflict of interest.

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

County officials want the state attorney general to rule on whether Lincoln County Commissioner Rick Simpson's employment as manager of the Solid Waste Authority is a conflict of interest.

Don Dutton, waste authority attorney, told commissioners last month he posed three questions to state Sen. Pete Campos on that issue. Campos will ask for an attorney general's opinion, he said.

County attorney Alan Morel, who said Simpson consulted him before applying for the job, said he's not opposed to seeking an opinion.

Morel at the time was a commission-appointed member of the waste authority board.

In a legal memorandum to Simpson dated June 30, Morel wrote that he didn't think serving in the two positions would pose a conflict of interest, but recommended the commissioner file a written notice of his financial interest in the waste authority with the county clerk.

The recommendation was based "on the fact that part of the funding of the authority is paid by the citizens of the county ... through the ... (commission) pursuant to the Lincoln County Environmental Gross Receipts Tax," Morel wrote.

He advised Simpson to step down as the commission's representative on the board and told him that as a commissioner, he should not vote on any item that would directly affect or impact the funding or operation of the

"Some bills were sent out at the higher rate. This rate was arrived at illegally, it seems to me, because the ordinance still was in existence."

**Solid Waste Authority.**

After reviewing documents surrounding the formation of the waste authority, established by the county and originally, all five of its municipalities to handle garbage collection and disposal, Morel also concluded that the environmental tax is being han-

dled correctly.

The tax was passed to help start the waste authority 10 years ago and subsequently, was pledged toward repaying of the cost of building a regional landfill south of Alamogordo, owned jointly by waste authorities in Otero and Lincoln counties.

be used for their mandatory garbage collection operations.

Morel explained that because the joint waste authority formed by the two counties to oversee the landfill had no financial history, the tax was pledged, although members always anticipated it wouldn't be needed.

A penalty was included for prepayment as a trade-off for a lower interest rate, he said.

After June 1, 2002, the members can prepay without penalty.

In a related action, com-

missioners approved a revamped solid waste ordinance in a 3-1 vote with Simpson absent and Commissioner Leo Martinez voting against the motion.

Martinez said he prefers elected officials serve on the Solid Waste Authority board now that it is empowered to set rates.

Appointed representatives are not as answerable to the public, he said.

But Dutton said commissioners still choose who will sit on the authority board and can change the appointment, if they disagree with the representative's votes.

Morel also pointed out that when the county waste authority board approved a garbage collection rate increase last month, an ordinance still was on the books locking in \$5.25 as the residential rate.

For the board's action to be legal, that ordinance should have been rescinded or amended, an action that didn't occur until the commission meeting.

"Some bills were sent out at the higher rate," Libertarian policy analyst Tony Seno said. "This rate was arrived at illegally, it seems to me, because the ordinance still was in existence."

On a recommendation by Commissioner L. Ray Nunley, Dutton said he would advise the SWA to give a credit to customers for the period the higher rate was charged, but the ordinance still was in effect.

"I commend Alan for finding the conflict," Dutton said. "I wasn't aware of the ordinance either or I would have advised my board to wait."

Tony Seno,  
Libertarian policy analyst

Al Junge, a former Ruidoso village councilor, previously questioned why gross receipts tax collected in excess of money needed for the bond repayment wasn't used to pay off the multimillion-dollar debt earlier.

Instead, the money was refunded to various entities to

## Solid waste refund unlikely, chairman says

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A recommendation that customers of the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority receive a refund on their next quarterly billing may be rejected by the authority's governing board, chairman Debra Ingle said.

The recommendation came from the County Commission at its meeting last month and during a discussion of action amending a county solid waste ordinance. While researching the ordinance, County Attorney Alan Morel discovered that when it was adopted in 1992, the law locked in a rate of \$5.25 for garbage collection in unincorporated portions of the county.

Unaware of that constraint, the authority board, which is responsible for garbage collection throughout the county, except for Ruidoso, previously approved a \$1.50 per month rate increase to \$6.75 for the same areas.

The increase was reflected on its lat-

"Why the county didn't rescind the ordinance long before now, I don't know."

Debra Ingle,  
waste authority board chairman

est quarterly bills. Commissioners suggested that customers receive a credit on the next quarterly bill for the amount in excess of \$5.25 covering the time the old county ordinance still was in effect.

But Ingle said Tuesday the authority legally had the power to set rates since one year after it was created, although for several years it deferred to each member entity to vote on increases. The authority is a coalition of the county and four of its municipalities. About two years ago, Ruidoso opted to collect its own garbage, but still is a partner in a regional landfill.

"Why the county didn't rescind the ordinance long before this, I don't know,"

Ingle said.

Authority manager Rick Simpson, who also is a county commissioner, was absent last month when the commission rescinded the 1992 ordinance setting the rate.

He said Tuesday the authority acted within its legal power to enact the \$1.50 per month increase as specified in joint power agreements signed by all of the members entities.

"We did a couple of hearings on the rate increase and people had time to protest," he said. "We did it right by the book. The commission action was only a request."

"Although the authority doesn't have a meeting until (4 p.m.) Nov. 21, we're not leaning in that direction."

The county was the only member of the authority to pass an ordinance locking in a price, he said.

"That was eight years ago," Simpson said. "The fact is it's still one of the cheapest rates in the state. A \$1.50 increase is very reasonable."

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## ON THE GO WITH HANK AND ELLEN Cruisin' Costa Rica' gorgeous rain forest

BY ELLEN AND HANK BARONE  
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

It was on the second day of a four-day adventure when we heard it — a frightening roar that evoked images of big cats and feeding frenzies.

We stared at each other in disbelief, wondering if we should bolt for the water or hold our ground and accept an inevitable end in the Costa Rican rain forest.



The Barones

"Howler monkeys" gasped Mari-beth, as she and the more seasoned members of our party grabbed their binoculars and focused on the treetops.

Unable to spot the riotous noise-makers, most of our group scrambled into the tropical tangle in frantic search of the elusive howlers.

Monkeys? Unfounded fears turned into fascination as we, too, joined in the search. As novices unfamiliar with the sounds of tropical jungles, the unnerving noise was our introduction into the world of ecotourism.

Like many visitors to Costa Rica,

a Central American eco-paradise, we came to experience its remarkable natural beauty. The tiny tropical nation, hardly the size of West Virginia, is famous for its enlightened approach to conservation. Almost a third of the country is designated National Park, biological reserve, or wildlife refuge. Blessed with a bewildering assortment of wildlife — including 850 species of birds — Costa Rica is truly a haven for the naturalist.

We boarded the cruise ship, M/V Temptress Voyager in the southern port of Golfito just northwest of Panama, after a short but scenic flight from San Jose, the capital city and point of entry for most visitors.

Small by cruise ship standards, Voyager, is a 174-foot, one-class vessel that accommodates 63 guests in 33 ocean view cabins. Absent are the mega-ship casinos, grand dining room, beauty salon, and gift shop.

Instead, Voyager offers well-appointed, air-conditioned cabins with private baths and panoramic picture windows, small-ship access to unspoiled coasts and rain forests, on-board biologists and naturalists, and a wide variety of daily activities ranging from jungle explorations and bird-watching tours to snorkeling and sea kayaking.

So it was that we found ourselves snaking through bamboo and

head-butting banana leaves under a dense canopy of Costa Rican rain forest identifying army ants and strangler vines, rare orchids and medicinal plants. Over our heads treetops were chockablock with parrots, toucans, tanagers, trogons, and other exotic species of bird. Our binoculars hadn't seen so much action in all the years we'd owned them.

As reward for our efforts, while we hiked up steep switchbacks and clambered down gullies, the Voyager crew was back on the beach stocking the bar and preparing lunch. Emerging from the jungle soaked with sweat and thirsty, we were greeted with a cold beer, comfortable beach chairs, and a delicious barbecue buffet. Any lingering doubts that we'd done the right thing by foregoing our usual preference of traveling independently for the comfort and convenience of the Temptress cruise were quickly eliminated — howling monkeys and all!

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*The Barones are full time travel writers and photographers operating out of their home in Alto. Their work appears in a wide variety of regional, national, and international publications.*

## After 5,000 years, world's oldest built boats still deliver

CAIRO — A fleet of the oldest built wooden boats in the world, located in the desert sands of Abydos, Egypt — more than eight miles from the river Nile — are painstakingly being excavated by archeologists. The work is revealing remarkable new evidence about the wealth, power and technological prowess of the earliest days of Egyptian civilization.

The work is being conducted under the authority of Egypt's Minister of Culture, Dr. Farouk Hosni, and the Secretary General of the Supreme Council of Antiquities, Dr. Gaballa Ali Gaballa.

To date, 14 of the large vessels, dating from 3000 B.C. and estimated to be between 60 and 80 feet long, have been identified, and a large section of one boat has been exposed, conserved and studied by a team of archeologists from the University of Pennsylvania Museum, Yale University and the Institute of Fine Arts at New York University working under permit from Egypt's Supreme Council of Antiquities.

Dr. David O'Connor, the Lila Acheson Wallace Professor of Egyptian Art and Archaeology, Institute of Fine Arts, New York University, and Curator Emeritus and Research Associate, Egyptian Section, University of Pennsylvania Museum, has been working at Abydos since 1967 and is project director for the Abydos Boats project and co-director, with Dr. William Kelly

Simpson of Yale University, of the long-running multi-faceted Abydos Expedition.

"Ancient Egypt is a riverine civilization, yet before these boats were discovered, we knew very little — beyond representations on ancient pots — about ancient Egyptian boats earlier than the reign of Khufu, one of the greatest fourth dynasty pharaohs," noted Dr. O'Connor.

"These boats provide us with a window into better understanding Egypt at the dawn of its extraordinary, long-lived civilization. Moreover, recent excavations have confirmed our original guess. These boat graves contain actual and viable boats intended for a king's use in the afterlife. They are in meaning and function the direct ancestors of the famous boat recovered at Khufu's Great Pyramid at Giza and predate Khufu's boat by perhaps as much as 300 years."

During the May/June 2000 excavation season, a team that included expert conservators and an ancient boat specialist was able to establish that the boats were placed in their graves many years before Khasekhemwy's funerary enclosure was built — so that they were intended for the afterlife of a much earlier dynastic ruler, perhaps even Aha, the first Dynasty I (ca. 2920-2770 B.C.) ruler of Egypt.

## Rural tourism grant planning session slated Nov. 13

CARRIZOZO — Organizations with projects to present for grant consideration by the Lincoln County Rural Economic Development Through Tourism council should send representatives to the 10 a.m. meeting in Carrizozo on Nov. 13.

The meeting is the 2001 grant planning session and the public is invited to attend.

Projects included for review are "Voices From the

Past," at White Oaks Miners Days, Art in the Orchard and Nogal Artfest.

REDTT is a 12-county program of the U.S. Department of Agriculture administered through New Mexico State University. Local administration comes through local county extension agents and county extension home economists.

The council meets the second Monday of each month at the Otero Electric Co-operative

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# White Mountain playground project gets council nod

BY JAMES KALVELAGE  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Ruidoso is taking the next step in establishing an interpretative style, resident-assembled playground at the White Mountain Recreational Complex.

Village councilors Tuesday gave the green light to prepare qualification-based bid requests for the project and backed signing a joint-powers agreement with the Ruidoso Municipal Schools to place the children's park on approximately 38,000 square feet of school property.

The playground would be funded through an already in-hand \$150,000 state grant and an additional \$30,000 in the recreation department's budget, said Jim Stoddard, chairman of the Ruidoso Parks and Recreation Committee.

"We want to get input from parents, students, the schools, and then get the community to build it," Stoddard said.

Mayor Robert Donaldson said it will be critical to assure children are a part of the process.

"What we're trying to do is those things that are a service to the community. It shows small kids that their opinions matter."

Robert Donaldson,  
Ruidoso mayor

"What we're trying to do is those things that are a service to the community," Donaldson said. "It shows small kids that their opinions matter."

Councilor Bill Chance, a liaison between the council and the committee on the playground, said community volunteerism will play a major role. "This really creates family time," Chance said. "It creates value and spending time together as a family. Anytime we can promote family we need to do that."

A design/build project delivery system, a new procurement approach for the village, would be used to bring the playground to reality.

The process is described in a village outline as a mechanism where a singular firm would be responsible for the design, construction oversight

and delivery of a project all under one contract.

"This is a perfect concept for this kind of system," said Lorri McKnight, the village's finance officer. "We will go out for requests for proposals all at one time. The proposals will be based on qualifications, not on a low bid like we normally do."

Proposals from responding firms would be reduced to a "short list," with the perhaps five on the short list rated according to the criteria established for the bidders.

"It's a very interesting concept and we're very excited about using it," McKnight said of the qualification based bid awarding process.

A village memo stated the purpose of the qualification based bid approach is a way to retain an experienced and qualified firm to provide design

## Village calls for forest help

Ruidoso's village council is calling for a fix for the health of sections of the Lincoln National Forest and is backing efforts to resolve forest problems, particularly wildfire worries.

A resolution adopted by the council Tuesday noted there is a concern that property and lives could be lost if efforts fail to address the problems.

The resolution noted the importance of the Lincoln National Forest as an asset to the area.

But it added that parts of the forest may be in a condition that could cause a loss of personal property as shown earlier this year by the Cree Fire.

It also stated the condition of the forest

may have contributed to a loss of business in Ruidoso.

The resolution confirms the village council's support of the efforts to engage concerned parties in addressing the problems of the Lincoln National Forest and urges the parties to work together to reach an expedient solution to the problems which create a threat to residents.

The message also supports multiple uses of the forest lands and requests that the U.S. Forest Service consider the needs and desires of all citizen groups with an interest in the forest.

Approval of the resolution came without comment during the consent agenda of the council meeting.

and construction services.

The firm selected would have to prepare, based on community meetings, children's input and parks and recreation committee members, a schematic drawing, working drawings, specifications for construction, project manage-

ment and a community-built master plan for completing the project.

The firm would also assist in establishing committees that would deal with areas such as fundraising, materials, childcare, volunteers, and others.

Councilors reviewed a television news piece on a similar endeavor in Canandaigua, New York that took just days for community volunteers to assemble. Closer to home the city of Alamogordo has Kids World, an interpretative playground.

### DATEBOOK

The following governmental meetings are scheduled for next week in the villages of Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs.

**Monday, Nov. 6 -**  
• 5 p.m., Keep Ruidoso Beautiful Committee, at village hall.

**Tuesday, Nov. 7 -**  
• 2 p.m., Ruidoso Planning and Zoning Commission, at village hall.

**Wednesday, Nov. 8 -**  
• 12 noon, Scenic Byways

Committee, at the Museum of the American West.

• 12 noon, Ruidoso Library Board, at the Ruidoso Public Library.

**Thursday, Nov. 9 -**  
4 p.m., Ruidoso Arts Commission, at village hall.

Ruidoso Village Hall is at 313 Cree Meadows Drive. Ruidoso Downs Village Hall is at 122 Downs Drive.

The Ruidoso Public Library is located at 107 Kansas City Road.

### ENMU regents to meet today

The Eastern New Mexico University board of regents will meet at 10 a.m. today in the Regents Room of the Administration Building on the Portales campus.

Agenda items include a site utility project for the Roswell campus, a student financial aid presentation and the annual performance evaluation and merit pay report by university president Everett Frost.

### ENGAGEMENTS WEDDINGS

#### Schmid/Hendricks

Sharon Schmid and Jeff Hendricks, both of Ruidoso, will be married Dec. 29 at the Ruidoso Baptist Church.

Schmid is the daughter of Lynn Bates of Roswell and Brian and Charlene Brown of Bangor, Maine.

Hendricks is the son of Anne Hendricks and Mert and Susan Hendricks of Roswell.

The couple invites their family and friends to join them in celebrating their marriage.



Sharon Schmid and Jeff Hendricks

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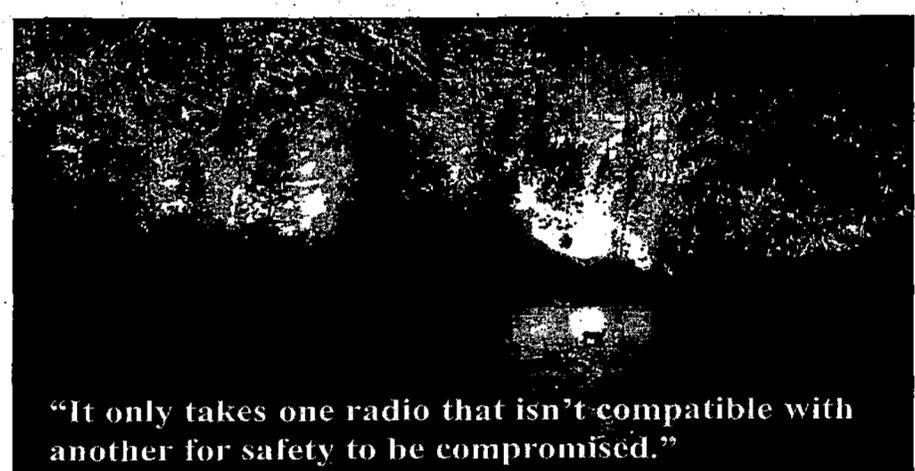
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# Man charged in shooting incident

BY JAMES KALVELAGE  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A Ruidoso area man, arrested on Aug. 31 on a charge of battery on a police officer, is in more trouble for an alleged shooting incident.

Charles T. Kuykendall, 36, of Alto, has been charged with assault with intent to commit a violent felony, aggravated battery, and use of a telephone to harass or intimidate.

The charges stem from an Oct. 29 incident in Ruidoso Downs where Kuykendall is accused of threatening to shoot three people. A .44 caliber Ruger Blackhawk was allegedly used in the incident, according to a Ruidoso Downs police file. The gun discharged, causing a minor injury to one of three people who were allegedly threatened.

Kuykendall appeared in Magistrate Court Monday. After declining to respond

to the new charges, Judge William Butts ordered the defendant to be held without bond in the Lincoln County Detention Center. The judge also added a fourth count, for allegedly violating a condition of Kuykendall's release on a two-month-old incident in Ruidoso.

Kuykendall was arrested on Aug. 31 by Ruidoso police following a traffic stop. He allegedly provided an officer with false information about his identity after an officer said he saw a vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed. According to a narrative report on the Aug. 31 incident, Kuykendall became angry, refusing to cooperate with an officer who attempted to handcuff him. The suspect reportedly began to walk away from the officer resulting in the officer's use of pepper spray. Kuykendall allegedly extended an arm and attempted to swing at the officer. A narrative report by the officer, claimed Kuykendall took up a fighting stance, prompting the officer to

struck the motorist with his service baton. Repeatedly Kuykendall said he would not get on the ground as ordered by the officer because he did not want to be hit with the baton any further, the report states. Additional attempts to "close the distance" with the officer brought more baton blows and orders to Kuykendall to go to his knees. Kuykendall was reported to have been bleeding from an arm when assistance arrived, allowing the officer to handcuff Kuykendall.

Kuykendall was charged with battery on a peace officer, resisting an officer, concealing identity, driving with a suspended or revoked license, and two other driving infractions.

A condition of his release on the previous charges included a provision that Kuykendall not possess any firearms or dangerous weapons. He was released on Sept. 1 after posting a 10 percent cash bail on a \$10,000 bond.

## MAGISTRATE COURT

The following criminal cases were filed in the Magistrate Court of Judge Gerald Dean Jr. in Carrizozo.

They are identified by the date the case was filed, the defendant, the charges and the case number.

Sept. 13 - Ray L. Schultz, no age listed, Albuquerque; issuing worthless check; M30-MR2000-131.

Sept. 28 - Terry Kerr, 39, Ruidoso; failure to appear; M30-FR2000-132.

Sept. 27 - Benny D. Lopez, 18, Albuquerque; hunting on federal land without a habitat stamp; M30-MR2000-140.

Sept. 27 - Ann Fee, 42, Carrizozo; driving without a valid license, DWI, second, careless driving, eluding, evading or resisting an officer, battery to a police officer

and assault to a jailer; M30-DR2000-13.

Oct. 6 - Marc Wilson, 43, Albuquerque; wrong bag limit on deer; M30-MR2000-142.

Oct. 13 - Lena Lewis, 24, Kansas City, Mo.; larceny less than \$100; M30-MR2000-134.

Oct. 13 - Nita Jaramillo Colvin; 42, Portales; battery against a household member; M30-VR2000-13.

Oct. 13 - Arlis Scott, 19, Ruidoso; possession of stolen property over \$250; M30-FR2000-133.

Oct. 16 - Richard Vega, 34, Las Cruces and Carrizozo; DWI; M30-DR2000-14.

Oct. 16 - Tony Gant, 37, Ruidoso Downs; three counts of contributing to the delinquency of a minor (ages 14, 15 and 17); M30-FR2000-131.

Oct. 17 - Susan Dunn, 30, Nogal; no habitat stamp; M30-MR2000-145.

# Donated equipment stays at hospital

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

When equipment is donated to the Lincoln County Medical Center, even if that action takes place through Presbyterian Healthcare Foundation, the donation will stay at the county-owned hospital, administrator James Gibson said last week.

"It has been a long-standing policy at Presbyterian Healthcare Services that the donor's intent for the donation is honored in all circumstances," he said. "There is no question when the donor requests that the donated item or funds remain at LCMC, the donor's wish is carried out, regardless of who manages the hospital."

A question about procedures in handling donations to the hospital, but funneled through the foundation for tax purposes, was raised during a Lincoln County Commission meeting last week.

Candace Valcarcel asked who owns equipment if it is donated to the founda-

tion. Gibson responded that it belongs to the foundation.

A spokesman for the R.D. and Joan Hubbard Foundation, which recently donated money to the Presbyterian foundation to purchase a blood chemistry analysis machine, said the Hubbards intend that the equipment remain at the county hospital no matter who manages LCMC in the future.

"Donated items to Presbyterian Healthcare Foundation, technically reside

"It has been a long-standing policy at Presbyterian Healthcare Services that when the donor requests that the donated item or funds remain with LCMC, the donor's wish is carried out, regardless of who manages the hospital."

James Gibson,  
hospital administrator

on the books as property of Presbyterian Healthcare Services. To get the appropriate tax benefits, the donation is made to the foundation," Gibson said.

"The Hubbard Foundation donated money for the purchase of a chemistry analyzer for LCMC. The piece of equipment has been purchased and will remain at LCMC regardless of who manages the hospital, because that was the intent of the donor," he said.

The same thing happened when Presbyterian ceased managing a hospital in Artesia, he said. Items that were donated with requests that they stay in Artesia remained at that hospital, he said.

"Presbyterian Healthcare Services has been a benevolent partner for the past 28 years," Gibson said. "During the time PHS has managed LCMC, they have invested more than \$4.5 million in capital items, including bricks and mortar. The investment PHS has made is far greater than the average one percent profit they have made over the years."

## MUNICIPAL COURT

The following driving while intoxicated cases were adjudicated during the month of October in Ruidoso Municipal Court with judge Michael S. Line presiding.

Alec R. Romero, 29, Capitán, pleaded guilty to a charge of first offense DWI. Romero was placed on probation for one year and required to pay fines and court costs of \$460.

James M. Piersall, 24, Lubbock, Texas, pleaded guilty to a charge of first offense DWI. Piersall was

placed on probation for one year and required to pay fines and costs of \$460.

Christopher Tsinnijinnie, 24, Mescalero, pleaded guilty to a count of first offense DWI. Tsinnijinnie received one year probation and ordered to pay fines and court costs of \$460.

Daniel Sotelo, 21, Ruidoso, entered a plea of no contest and was found guilty of first offense DWI. Sotelo was placed on probation for one year and ordered to pay fines and court costs of \$460.

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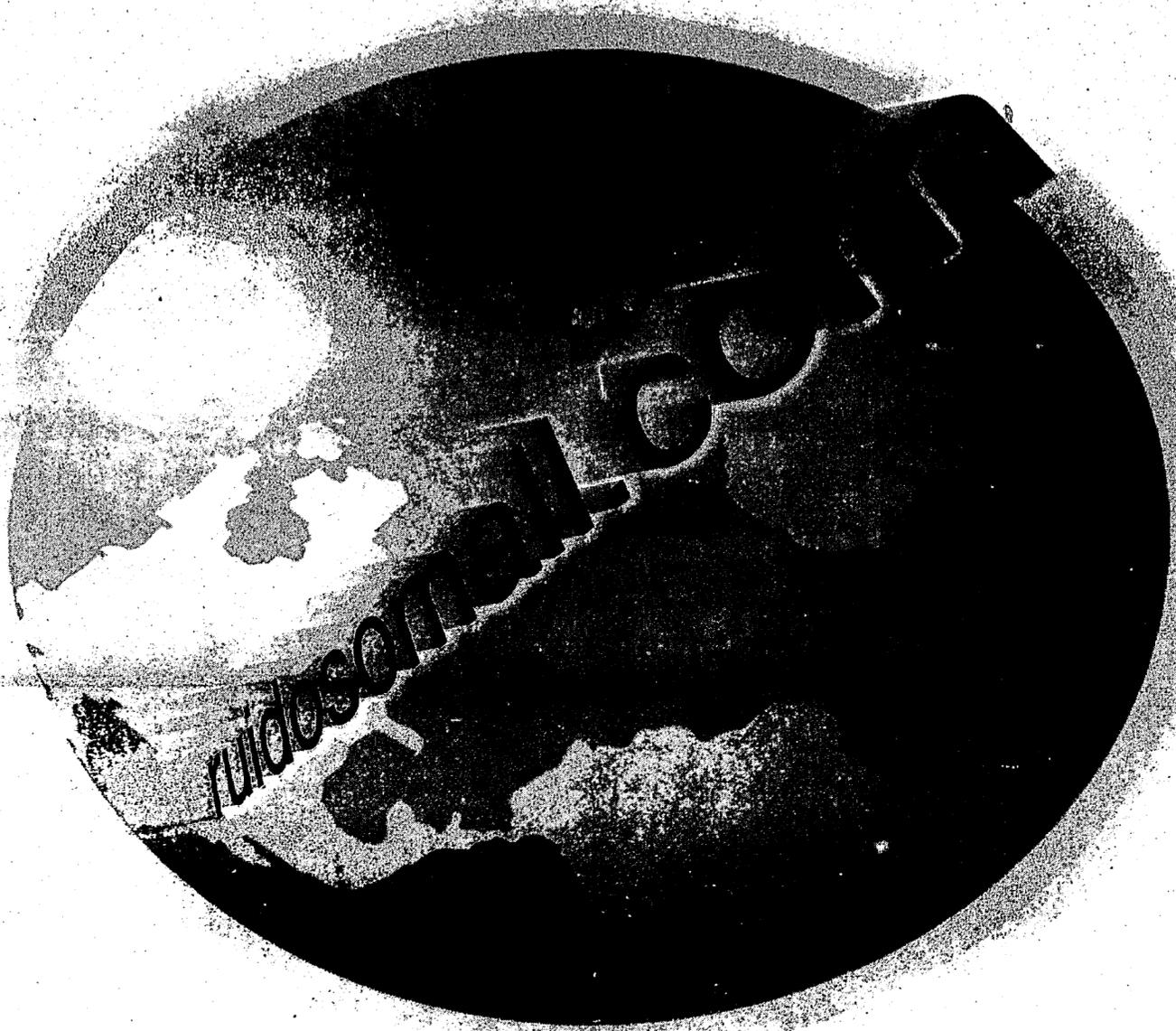
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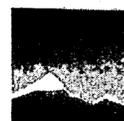


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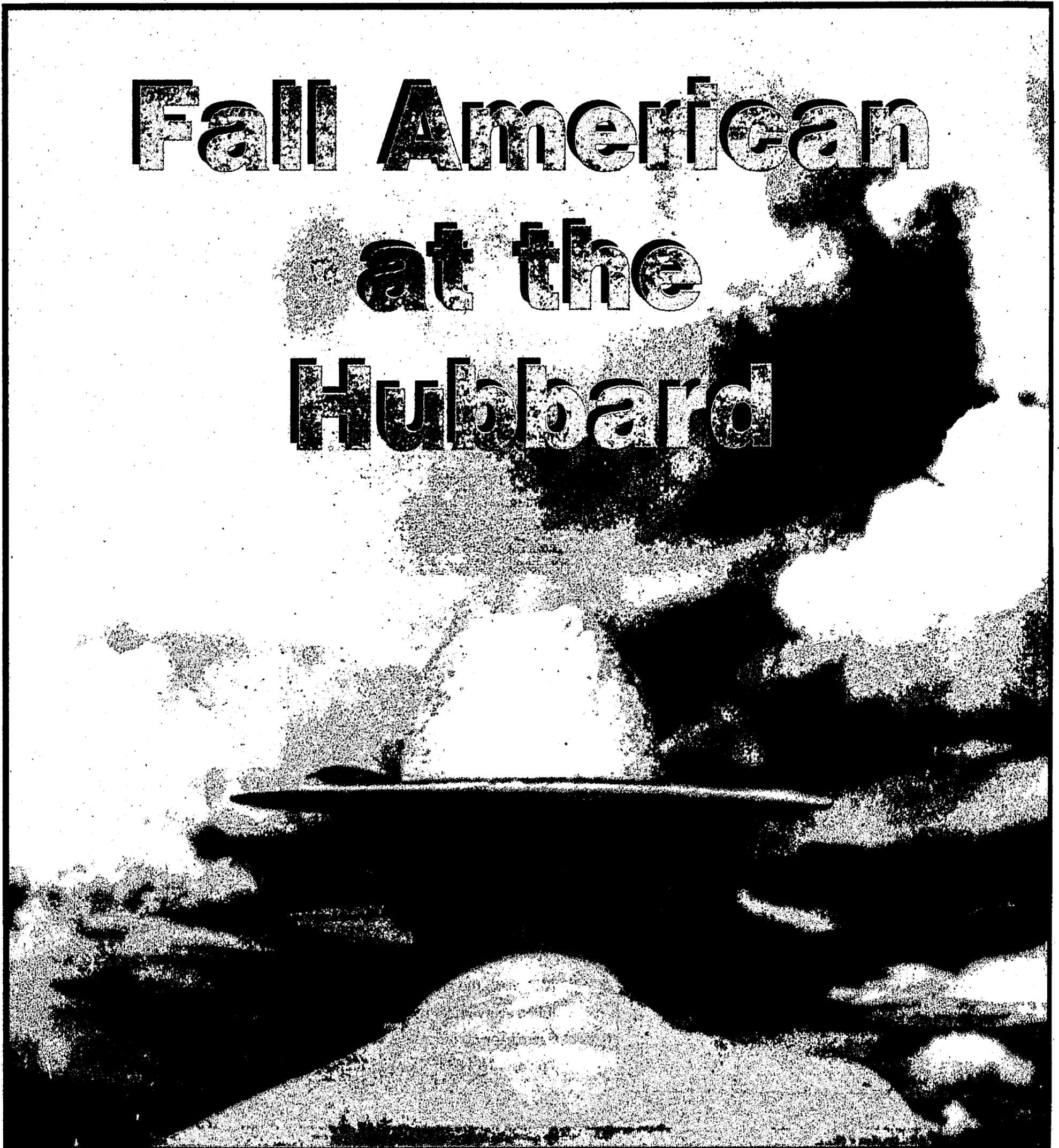
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'SEARCHING FOR HEAVEN,' a color print photograph by Mike Silva of Bossier City, Louisiana won first place in the people category of the Fall American Photography Competition, Exhibition and Sale. To see more of the photographs on exhibit at the Hubbard Museum, turn to PAGE 8D

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## 'Til Death Do Us Part'



*Gary Micander*

**T**his fall, RHS Drama will present "Til Death Do Us Part," an audience-participation murder mystery. There will be two performances of the play, one at 7 p.m. Friday, November 10, and one at 8 p.m. Saturday, November 11. The mystery takes place at a wedding of the Lomax and Blossom families.

*see 'Til Death Do Us Part on 4D*

# "Til Death Do Us Part'

Herb and Eula Lomax don't really approve of their zookeeper son, Leo, marrying Lotus Blossom, an herbologist, because they think she's after their money. Newton Figg doesn't want Blossom to marry Leo Newton's



Gary Micander

LOGAN FLEHARTY practices his facial expressions as Herb Lomax.

still in love with her. Newton's date, the bubble-headed Lulu, doesn't catch on too quickly. Howard, the Lomax family lawyer, has a little something up his sleeve as well. It might involve the mysterious guest who calls herself Aunt Hildy.

Unfortunately, Aunt Hildy dies mysteriously before revealing whose aunt she really is! When the lawyer, Howard, is also murdered, amateur sleuth, Miss Peabody, takes charge and conducts an investigation punctuated by the traditional wedding events — the throwing of the bouquet, the cutting of the cake, and the happy couple's first dance. But each moment brings Miss Peabody a step closer to the identity of a ruthless

killer consumed by greed. Is it one of the bridesmaids? A suave tango instructor? The grandmother of the bride? The corny cousin from Big D? The justice of the peace? With the help of the audience, all but the killer (and the bodies) will live happily ever after.



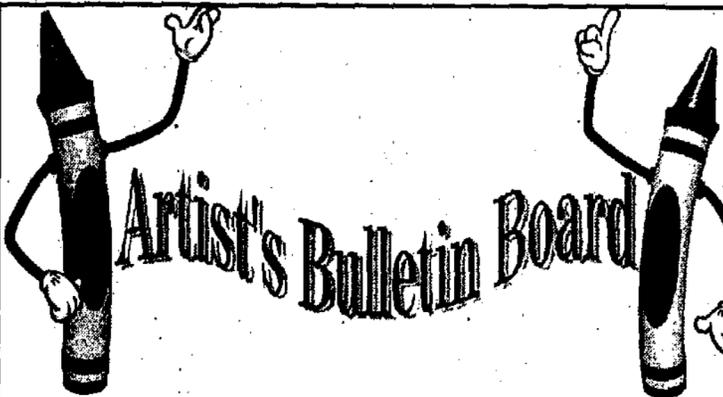
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THE CAST of RHS Drama's "Sleeping Beauty," from left, back: Kelli Blank, Allison Oxford, Lindsey Williams: front: Tim Lucero, Beth Hetterick, Scott Gossett, and Jennifer Lewicki.



VICTORIA HERNANDEZ, 10, of Capitan, and Valerie Williams, 11, of Capitan, point out the photographs they produced at the Children's Photography Workshop on Oct. 21 at the Hubbard-Museum of the American West.

Submissions for the weekly calendar must be turned in to the newspaper office by noon on Friday the week preceding publication.

## Friday, November 3

**Moscow Chamber Orchestra**  
8 p.m. at the Popejoy Hall in Albuquerque. Part of the Ovation Series. Call (505) 277-3824 for tickets and information.

**Sam Mangwana**  
8 p.m. at the NMSU Music Recital Hall in Las Cruces. Call (505) 646-4413 for more information.

## Saturday, November 4

**Elite Syncopation**  
7:30 p.m. performance at Fox Fine Arts Recital Hall in El Paso. Call (915) 833-9400

**A Salute to Frank Sinatra**  
8 p.m. performance by the Nelson Riddle Orchestra at the Popejoy Hall in Albuquerque. Call (505) 277-3824 for more information.

## Sunday, November 5

**I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change.**  
2 p.m. performance at the Popejoy Hall in Albuquerque. Call (505) 277-3824 for more information.

**The Ysaye Quartet**  
3 p.m. performance at the Simms Center for the Performing Arts. Call (505) 268-1990.

## Tuesday, November 7

**After-school Tuesdays**  
3:30-5 p.m. at the Ruidoso Public Library. This week's activities will be Abecedarian Afternoon. Call 258-3704 for more information.

## Thursday, November 2

**After-school Movie**  
3:30-5 p.m. at the Ruidoso Public Library. Call 258-3704 for more information.

## Ongoing

**Photographic Exhibition**  
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## Exhibits & Receptions

**Chamber Artist of the Month**  
Connie Younger is the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce's Artist of the month for November. She specializes in oils.

**Images: The Mexican Revolution**  
5-7 p.m. July 26 opening at the International Museum of Art, El Paso.

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**ENMU BFA Exhibit**  
Runnel's Gallery at Eastern New Mexico University in Portales. 562-2787.

## Movies

**Pay It Forward**  
Drama. 1 hr. 55 min.

Rated PG-13 for mature elements: substance abuse/recovery, some sexual situations, language and brief violence.

Starring: Kevin Spacey, Helen Hunt, Haley Joel Osment, Jay Mohr, Jim Caviezel.

Directed by Mimi Leder and Oliver Stapleton.

Produced by Mary McLagen, Jonathan Treisman, Leslie Dixon, Peter Abrams, Robert L. Levy and Steven Reuther.

Written by Catherine Ryan Hyde and Leslie Dixon.

Distributor: Warner Brothers

Synopsis: 'Pay It Forward' is a feel-good family story about a social studies teacher, Eugene Simonet (Kevin Spacey), who challenges his 11-year-old students to come up with an idea that will change the world. Trevor McKinney (Haley Joel Osment) decides to step up to the plate. His idea is a game called "pay it forward." In the game, every time somebody does a favor for you, you "pay it forward" to three other people. Surprisingly, the idea seems to work, helping his teacher to come out of his shell and reveal a dark past, and bringing his mother, Ariene McKinney (Helen Hunt) — who works two jobs to keep their household afloat — new freedom.

Showtimes: 2:15 p.m., 4:45 p.m., 7:15 p.m., 9:45 p.m.

**Charlie's Angels**  
Action/Adventure and Comedy.

Rated PG-13 for action violence, innuendo and some sensuality/nudity. Starring: Drew Barrymore, Cameron Diaz, Lucy Liu, Bill Murray, Sam Rockwell.

Directed by Joseph McGinty. Produced by Leonard J. Goldberg, Drew Barrymore, Leonard Goldberg and Nancy Juvonen.

Written by Ed Solomon, John August and Ryan Rowe.

Distributor: Columbia TriStar

Synopsis: In this remake of the popular 1970s television show, the three angels — Dylan (Drew Barrymore), Natalie (Cameron Diaz), and Alex (Lucy Liu) — are called to duty by their flirtatious boss, Bosley (Bill Murray), to intervene in the kidnapping of a well-known millionaire. The film has been updated from the original TV show in a few poignant ways: The angels are now called "women" (not "little girls") in the introductory voice-over, and they concentrate on strength and martial arts when they fight criminals because they no longer carry guns. Packed with glam action



Courtesy Columbia

LUCY LIU, Cameron Diaz and Drew Barrymore in Columbia's "Charlie's Angels."

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Showtimes: 2:30 p.m., 5 p.m., 6:45 p.m., 9 p.m.

**Contender**  
Drama. 2 hrs. 05 min.

Rated R for strong sexual content and language.

Starring: Joan Allen, Christian Slater, Jeff Bridges, Gary Oldman, William Petersen.

Directed by Rod Lurie and Denis Maloney.

Produced by Scott Shiffman, Steve Loglisci, Gary Oldman, Maurice Leblond, Rainer Bienger, Mark Frydman, James Spies, Douglas Urbanski, Marc Frydman and Willi Baer.

Written by Rod Lurie. Distributor: Dreamworks SKG

Synopsis: When the vice president of the United States dies suddenly, Senator Laine Hanson (Joan Allen) is chosen by the president (Jeff Bridges), to be the vice presidential replacement. Dogged with opposition from both parties, Hanson is challenged to prove that she is a strong enough politician to handle the job's responsibilities. However,

during the confirmation process, the fierce congressman Shelly Runyon (Gary Oldman) digs up secret information about her past personal life that sparks a huge political controversy. Showtimes:

2 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 7 p.m., 9 p.m.

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# It's Jubilee time



The countdown is on for one week from today. On November 10, the Ruidoso Valley Greeters will once again offer the best Lincoln County has to offer in their Jubilee 2000 at the Ruidoso Convention Center. Doors will open at noon on Friday, and stay open until 7 p.m. Friday will be the day for uninterrupted shopping. Saturday hours are 10 a.m. until 7 p.m. Sunday hours are 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Patrons should "bring Christmas lists, and remember, parking and admission are free," said Carol Benham of the Greeters.

Saturday offers fun for the whole family. Santa will be there to take his orders for Christmas cheer. The Greeters will offer Polaroid pictures with Santa for \$2. Visitors can also bring their own cameras if they wish. Santa can be visited on Saturday between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. He will return between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. on Sunday.

Local musicians and entertainers will be on hand to provide Christmas carols, Santa songs, and seasonal favorites. A part of the Jubilee for the past few seasons, these musicians have become a special highlight of the Jubilee.

A new addition last year to the jubilee and returning this year will be the Alpaca petting area.

A storyteller, Nisha Hoffman, will be available to entertain children while their parents shop. She will tell seasonal stories in the Hospitality room from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday. Stories will include "The First Christmas," "Santa," "A Wild Toboggan Ride," "Snowsuits," and "The Legends of Christmas." Forty-five-minute programs will be offered, starting hourly.

Another feature of the Jubilee is the Food Court, in which local restaurants will provide food for Jubilee attendees.

With more than 70 booths to choose from, everyone should find something they like.

# 'Winter Gifts' will be the first offering of new ballet school

by Sandy Suggitt  
NAMONOSI EDITOR

A new ballet school and small chamber ballet company will show its stuff with its first program, "Winter Gifts," at 6 p.m. on Dec. 16 in the old gymnasium at Ruidoso Middle School.

Sionán O'Neill, who taught for New Mexico Ballet at the Aspen Leaf School of Dance, opened her own school in June, the O'Neill Academy of Ballet. One of the first things she did was to form a small chamber ballet company so dancers will have more perfor-

mance venues available, she said.

"We're looking to perform at the Hubbard Museum and other smaller places, some of the schools" she said. "We formed (the school) as a nonprofit so we'd be able to go out as an educational outreach program."

The reason for forming the chamber company is so that dancers aren't just doing once-a-year performances.

"For example, we could do moving-art (exhibits) for art galleries, or dinner theater, so they realize performing is any chance you get."

Thirty-eight dancers, age 3 1/2

to 74, will participate in the performance in the winter production, "Winter Gifts." This program includes variations from 'Les Sylphides,' and we're also doing 'The Dollmaker's Christmas,'" she said of the upcoming program, "Winter Gifts."

## 'Les Sylphides'

"'Les Sylphides' is a very pretty, classical ballet," O'Neill said. "It was the first ballet without a story line, which made it very radical for 1898, and created quite a stir at the time. It's more of a mood setter, with lovely music by Chopin."

## 'Dollmaker's Christmas'

"'Dollmaker's' was done to a piece of music called 'Les Boutique Fantastique,' which means 'the fantastic toy store.' I've taken liberties with the story line - not having boys at the moment (in class) - and it allows all the children to perform as school children or dolls in the toy store."

The performance allows all the students to have active dancing rolls and to use what they're learning in class, she said.

## Tickets

Tickets are \$2 and are available through the studio at 103 El Paso Drive in Ruidoso, or through the dance students. For more information, call 630-1312 or 630-9504.

O'Neill's early training was on scholarship at the San Francisco Academy of Ballet with the Pacific Ballet Company. She experienced Russian-style training with her primary teacher, Carolyn



Sandy Suggitt

Sionán O'Neill, left, practices for "Winter Gifts" performance with students Victoria Arrowsmith, 8, Taylor Vuicich, 6 1/2, Alyssa Montes, 6, and Jessica Dilley, 7. Shown at far left is Taylor Vuicich.

Parks who was also admissions judge for the Bolshoi Ballet's residence-school in the Soviet Union. After five years there, she moved on to the Dance-Drama Center in Long Beach for two years of study directed at stage, screen and television performance, taking ballet, tap, jazz, modern dance and acting.

From there she followed her passion for classical ballet and trained in Long Beach and then

San Francisco in the Royal Academy of Dancing syllabus, passing the first professional exams.

Because of an injury and a lengthy recuperation, she received a master of science degree in physiology and behavioral medicine with a minor in education from Antioch College in Seattle, which gave her additional insight into injury prevention for dance students.



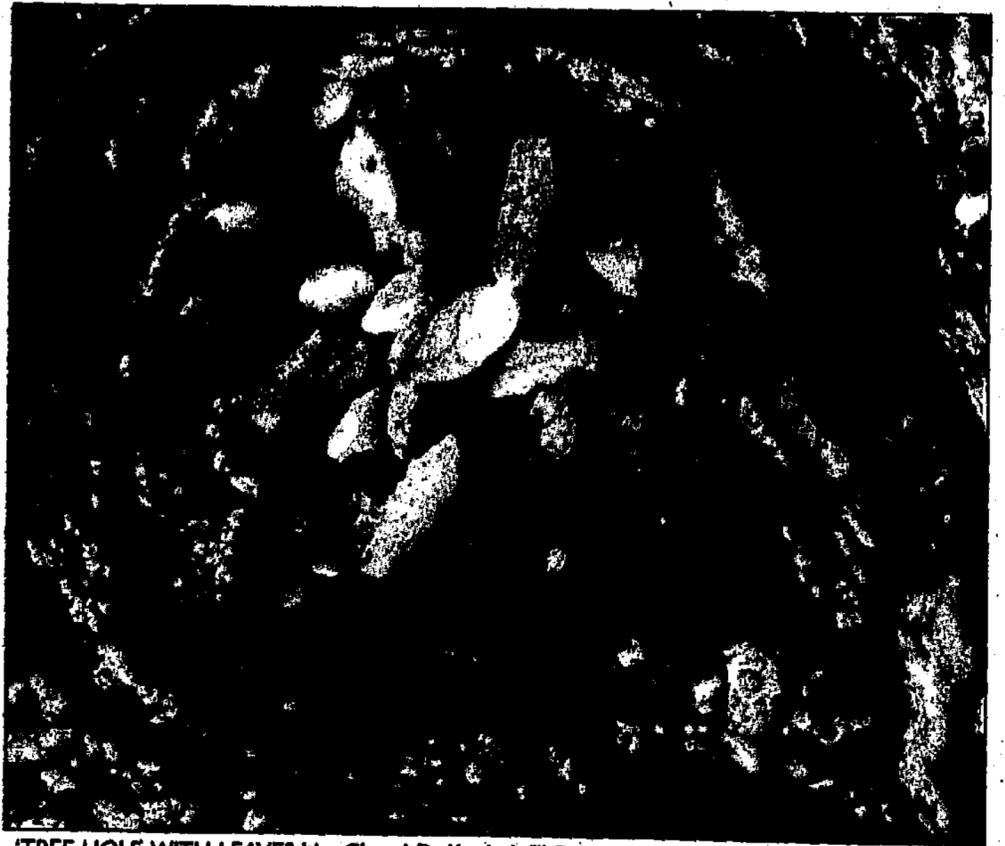


*The Arts*

# Hot shots



'WOMAN IN BLACK, MOROCCO,' by Jean Abbott, Las Cruces, digital print.



'TREE HOLE WITH LEAVES,' by Cheryl D. Knobel, El Paso, Texas, gelatin silver print, first place in open category.

*Story by Sandy Suggitt*

*Photographs of photographs by Gary Micander*

WAMONOSI EDITOR

**A** wide variety of photographs comprises the recently opened Fall American Photography Competition, Exhibition and Sale at the Hubbard Museum of the American West, presented by the museum and the Photographic Society of Lincoln County and sponsored by the First National Bank for eight of the nine years of the annual exhibit.

In all, 167 photographs are exhibited in six categories: landscape, people, architecture, open, sports and alternative/mixed media/experimental, said Barbara Bertucio, curator of collections. The competition was open to both amateur and professional photographers.



'SELF PORTRAIT #1,' BY H. Lynn Wild, Lubbock, Texas, digital print, first place in alternative category.



'GOAL TO GO,' by Diane Lacey, Fort Davis, Texas, color print; first place in sports category.

James L. Enyeart, professor and director of Marion Center for Photographic Arts of The College of Santa Fe, juried the show, and was impressed by the professionalism of nearly all the photos.

"I saw very little — and, in fact, maybe no — absolute amateurish involvement in the whole competition, and that's unusual because sometimes amateurs misunderstand and misgauge the level of their own abilities, so will enter a competition for which there is no hope," Enyeart said.

This is so, he suggests, because of the museum's long-standing efforts to educate and to build "a really good way of fostering appreciation for the medium," and this "tends to sort out those who misunderstand."

All juried show are more different than they are alike, Enyeart said; cultural identities grow around the institutions that put on the shows, and attract artists on this basis.

"It's really the nature of the institution, the integrity it brings to the quality of the show and the character of how it treats the artist in the exhibition itself, the longevity with which the exhibition has taken place, in effect, one can judge before entering a competition if there's commitment to the medium and the ideas."

Enyeart said that in judging the photographs, he looked for the broadest representation for the six categories, and looked for "the idea that was behind the category, and the manner in which it was executed, that is, the quality of its craft."

With a different juror and at another time, though, different works would have received the prizes, he said.

"All in all," Enyeart concluded, "it was a terrific show."

**The winners**

Architecture - 1st place: "Cape Town Changing Houses, Dave G. Houser, Nogal, color print; 2nd place: "Saint

Michaels," Penelope Kinney, Placitas, hand-tinted Polaroid Land — 1st place: "Sunwapta Cascades," Doug Nielson, Albuquerque, gelatin silver print; 2nd place: "Last Light' American Basin," D.L. Lawrence, Los Alamos, Digital print

Sports — 1st place: "Course a la Cocarde," Frederic Moras, Ruidoso, Ilfachrome print; 2nd: "Goal to Go," Diane Lacy, Fort Davis, Texas, color print

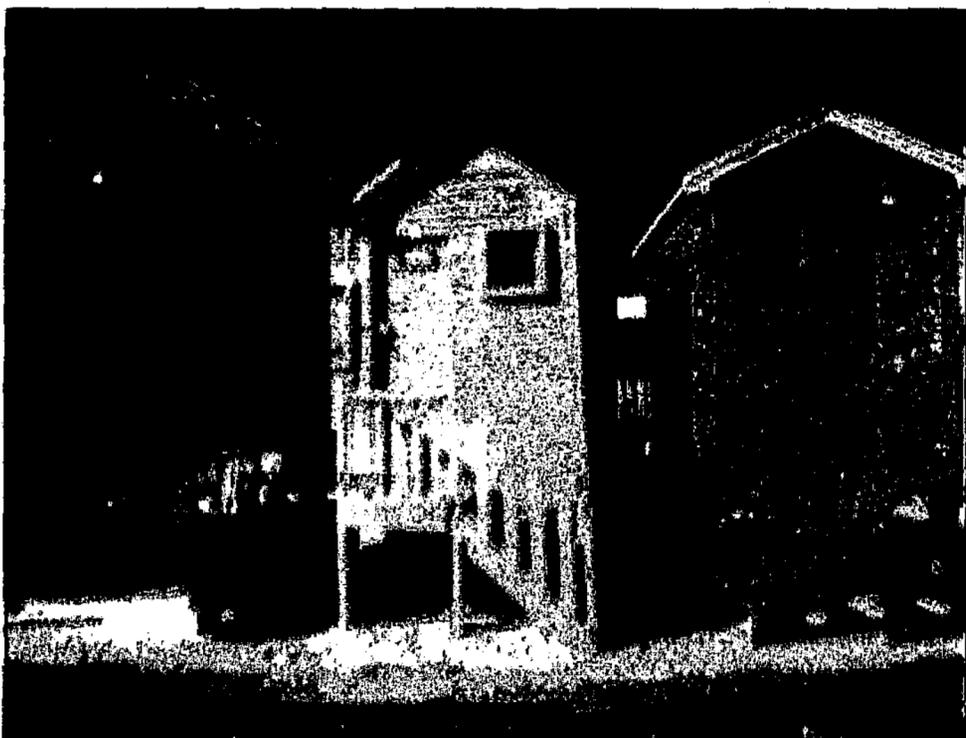
People — 1st place: "Searching for Heaven," Mike Silva, Bossier City, Louisiana, color print; 2nd place: "Man and Marilyn," Arlene Becker, Santa Fe, digital print

Open — 1st place: "Tree Hole with Leaves," Cheryl D. Krobek, El Paso, Texas, gelatin silver; 2nd place: "Van Gogh Morning," Judith Gouch, El Paso, Texas, gelatin silver print

Alternative/Mixed Media/Experimental — 1st place: "Self Portrait #1," H. Lynn Wild, Lubbock, Texas, digital print; 2nd place: "Broken Identity," Roz Rosenblum, Monroe Township, New Jersey, collage



'SUNWAPTA CASCADES,' by Doug Nielson, Albuquerque, gelatin silver print, first place in land category.



'CAPE TOWN CHANGING HOUSES,' by Dave G. Houser, Nogal, color print, first place in architecture category.

# Winners are chosen for 'Nutcracker' contest



**THE WINNING POSTERS**

Above, left, is the first-place drawing by Michael Jacquez. Below, left, is the second-place drawing by Jasmine Amezuia. Above, right, is the third-place drawing by Charlotte Pawlak.

by Sandy Suggitt  
VAMONOS! EDITOR

Winners of the first Ballet New Mexico, Inc. art contest have been chosen by judges Virginia Jones and Susan Weir-Anchor, and the winning posters will go in the program for the "Nutcracker" performance at 7 p.m. on Dec. 1 and 2 at the Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts.

Michael Jacquez, a junior at Ruidoso High School, is the first-place winner. He won \$50 and two tickets to the "Nutcracker," and his drawing is

on the poster and on the cover of the program.

Second-place went to Ruidoso High School senior Jasmine Amezuia. She won two tickets and her drawing will be in the program.

Charlotte Pawlak, a homeschooler from Capitan, won the third-place prize of two tickets, and her drawing will also be in the program.

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 12 and are available through Ballet New Mexico at 258-1946, the Spencer Theater Box Office at 336-4800 or (888) 818-7872, or at Furr's on Mechem Drive.

The production will be different this year, said

Judy Pekar, with Laney Atherton as artistic director. Atherton studied with the Houston Ballet, while the former artistic director, Randall Graham, gave the ballet a Joffrey interpretation.

Sixty-eight local children who are attending the Aspen Leaf School of Dance, Ballet New Mexico's nonprofit, parent-run dance school, along with about ten adult volunteers in the community, will dance in the performance.

The Cloudcroft Dance Theatre will bring its dance company to perform the "Snow Scene," with Deborah Rinderknecht and Trish Jones directing.

# Capitan's Centennial draws old timers from all over



*Sandy Suggitt*  
A FEW OF THE CELEBRANTS are, from left: LaMoyne Peters, born in Carrizozo in 1920, Roy Lamay, born near Bonito Lake in 1915, "Peg" Fred Pflingsten, for in Angus in 1913 and moved to Capitan in 1914, Garth Hyde, born in Capitan in 1936.

by *Sandy Suggitt*  
¡vamonos! editor

Lots of old-timers gathered in the County Fair Building to celebrate Capitan's Centennial Ice Cream Social on October 29, swapping old stories and catching up on new ones.

"It was the kind of crowd that you only find around here at funerals and weddings," Virginia Watson-Jones, one of the organizers, quoted Lincoln County rancher Preston Stone as saying.

Most of the attendees were born and raised in the area.

"I was born in Angus in 1913 and moved to Capitan in 1914," said "Peg" Fred Pflingsten. "It's been my post office ever since."

Garth Hyde was born in Capitan in 1936 and his father, who could not hear or speak, ran a shoe shop and barber shop. Hyde left Capitan in 1954 to attend college and has been

pastoring ever since.

"I was born and raised in Capitan," said Fletcher Hall, 85. "And I stayed in town."

Toni Otero, who's lived in Capitan for 74 years, along with her husband, Herman, sold copies of *Capitan, New Mexico, 1900-2000, Home of Smokey Bear, the Living Symbol*, written by Lionel W. Lippmann and Watson-Jones. The book was published by Friends of Smokey-Capitan Inc. and copies are still available at the Smokey Bear Museum and at El Paisano Restaurant in Capitan for \$20.12, including tax.

Music was provided by Cindy and John Fogelson, Marcella, Agatha Long and Tim and Leona Rice, and birthday cake, ice cream and coffee were served to the visitors.

"I'm real happy," Watson-Jones said of the turnout for the event. "This is just what I wanted."



*Sandy Suggitt*  
ROSE MONTES, above, a Capitan native, signs a quilt of Lincoln County residents to be done by Betty Joiner.

## County artists invited to submit to 'Lincoln County Art: The New Millennium'

by *Sandy Suggitt*  
¡VAMONOS! EDITOR

Lincoln County artists have an opportunity to see their work in the State Capitol March 16 with a juried exhibition of all media.

The exhibition is sponsored by the Village of Ruidoso Arts Commission and the Governor's Gallery, an outreach facility of the

Museum of Fine Arts, Museum of New Mexico, a division of the Office of Cultural Affairs — where work of New Mexico artists is displayed.

The juror is Terry Bumpass, curator of the Governor's Gallery.

The exhibit will be in the Governor's Gallery from March 16 through May 11; the deadline for submitting work is Dec. 20,

and artists will receive notification of acceptances on February 1, 2001.

A \$5 entry fee is required for each slide or photograph of work to be entered.

Copies of the prospectus are available at Gail's Frame of Mind or by calling 354-2316.

"Lincoln County has not exhibited there since the mid-

eighties," said Virginia Watson-Jones, a member of the Arts Commission and liaison for the exhibition.

Watson-Jones said the Art Commission has mailed out invitations to about 250 local artists encouraging them to participate.

"It's a wonderful opportunity," Watson-Jones said. She added that the Governor's Gallery does

good publicity for the exhibition.

"People from all over the world visit the State Capitol Building," she said.

Although the Governor's Gallery does not sell works of art, a list of artists' names and addresses will be provided to visitors interested in purchasing work they see at the Governor's Gallery.

## Nogal Artfest, relocated to Carrizozo, was rained on for the second weekend in a row

by *Sandy Suggitt*  
¡VAMONOS! EDITOR

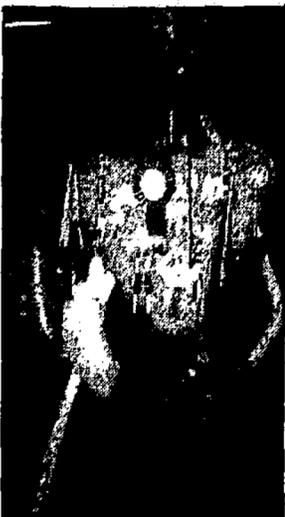
The third annual Nogal Artfest was rained out October 21, but 38 of the scheduled 51 artists showed up and stayed most of the day. The event was resched-

uled for October 28 at the Carrizozo Rec Center, and it rained again most of the day.

Steve Duffy, a gallery owner from Madrid with a home in Lincoln County, was ready to act as auctioneer for artwork donated by artists, but there weren't

enough visitors to make it worthwhile.

Fewer artists showed up the second time around, and not all winning works for the People's Choice Awards were available to be photographed, but here are some of them.



GEORGE TIPPIN, of Capitan, won the People's Choice Award for Crafts, shown at left. Anacleto Loya won the People's Choice Award for Sculpture, center. Joyce Hastings won the People's Choice Award for Fine Crafts, right. Not shown: Stephen Carter won the Best of Show Award for 2D Art for his photographs.

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### Bellas Artes Gallery

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### Fruit of the Trees

Hwy 380 bet. mile marker 95 and 96, 653-4699

Artist Paula Wilson and bookbinder Beverly Wilson showcase handmade paper, blank journals and multiple paper products. North at the sign on Hwy 380 between mile marker 95 and 96, follow the drive to the studio 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Thursday - Sunday.

### Gail's Frame of Mind

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416 First St., Ruidoso, 257-6627

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

### Spring Canyon Gallery

2206 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, 257-4561.

Artist Misha Malpica's Spring Canyon sculpturing studio, where you can meet the artist and watch as a creation unfolds before your eyes. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mon.-Thurs.; 10 a.m.-7:30 p.m. Fri.-Sun.

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## Photo equipment swap meet

The Photographic Society of Lincoln County will sponsor a photographic equipment swap meet from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Nov. 18. The event will be held at the Ruidoso Convention Center.

Tables to display equipment can be reserved for \$15.

For more information, contact The Photographic Society of Lincoln County, P.O. Box 3060, Ruidoso, NM 88355, or call Ray Bowerman at (505) 336-1388, Dave Travis at (505) 258-4006, or Herb Brunell at (505) 258-4003.

## Move over, Harry Potter

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*The Perils of Jodene* is Roswell author John Truett's fifth published novel. His previous works — *Clay Allison*, *Legend of Cimarron*, *Monument In The Storm*, *To Die In Dinetah*, *The Dark Legacy of Kit Carson*, and *Curse of the Emperor's Gold*, have all been Western historical fiction. John Truett is now branching out into contemporary action/adventure novels with *The Perils of Jodene*, as first in a series. *More Perils of Jodene* will follow in 2001.

John Truett's novels can be ordered from any bookstore or at [iUniverse.com](http://iUniverse.com), [amazon.com](http://amazon.com), [borders.com](http://borders.com), [barnesandnoble.com](http://barnesandnoble.com) and other Web booksellers.

## 'The Hornrimmed Stranger' visits the Flickinger Center in Alamogordo

Alamogordo Music Theatre will present "The Hornrimmed Stranger" at 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 3, 4, 10, and 11 at the Flickinger Center in Alamogordo. The dry, lighthearted comedy was written by Paul Treat of Las Cruces, N.M. The story is set in New Mexico in the late 1950s at the height of the Cold War, and concerns events that were controversial then and now. The comedy is purely fictional; it consists of humorous situations. The cost is \$7.00, and all tickets are available at the Flickinger Center, Holloman's Outdoor Rec, Sharp as a Tack, and Danny's Music Box. For more information visit the AMT website at [www.zianet.com/amt](http://www.zianet.com/amt), or contact Norm Daviess at 434-6972.

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# A few kind words for the demonettes of Hell



Dave Barry  
DAVE'S WORLD  
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There has never been a TV series where the animal hero was a bat. Why not? Why couldn't Lassie have been a bat? There could have been an episode wherein Lassie and her young master, Timmy, are frolicking around the farm, with Lassie playfully catching insects for Timmy via sonar, when suddenly ... UH-oh! Timmy is caught in the quicksand!

So Lassie flits as fast as she can back to the farmhouse, where she squeaks and hurls her tiny self against the screen door until Timmy's family, realizing that something is wrong, comes running outside and kills Lassie with a rake. Because people generally hate bats. Plus they are getting sick and tired of Timmy falling into the quicksand every other week.

But my central point is that bats have a poor public image. This is unfair, because bats play a vital role in the ecology, as opposed to dogs, who hardly ever do anything except bark and emit paint-peeling puffs of flatulence, which would be a good name for a rock band.

Fortunately, there are people working on behalf of bats - people who study bats; who

respect bats; who love bats; who have, on occasion, TASTED bats. A group of these people met recently in Miami, Fla., for the 30th annual North American Symposium on Bat Research. On hand to provide retail diversion was a company

called Speleobooks ("Cave and Bat Goods"), which was selling a wide array of bat-themed merchandise, including bat jewelry, bat candles, bat

shirts, bat ties, bat baby clothes, bat sculptures, bat tissues, bat cookie molds, bat Christmas-tree ornaments, bat hot sauce and bat tea towels.

The symposium itself was a serious affair, consisting of bat researchers presenting scientific papers on such topics as "Feeding Ecology of the Naked-backed Bats"; "More on the Complexities of Water Hole Use by a Coloradan Bat Community"; "Common Vampire Bat Management in Nicaragua"; "Is Leptonycteris curasoae an Unreliable Pollinator?"; "Is Myotis lucifugus the Mosquito Hunter of the Night?" and of course the question that is on everyone's mind: "Do Frugivorous Bats Provide Directed Dis-

persal for a Large-seeded Tropical Tree?"

(For the record, another good name for a rock band would be "Mosquito Hunter and the Unreliable Pollinators.")

I talked to several bat scientists at the symposium, and here are some of the bat facts I learned:

• Wherever you live in the world, there are bats nearby. In fact **LOOK OUT THERE'S ONE COMING AT YOU**

**NOW!!!**  
• No, seriously, although bats look like evil, creepy demonettes from hell that want to swoop down and bite us and give us rabies, the truth is that they are generally harmless flying mammals just like us who form colonies, care for their young, go to the mall, etc. Statistically, the average bat is far less likely to be rabid than Pat Buchanan.

• Besides catching insects, bats play a critical role in pollinating certain plants, such as the agave, without which there would be **NO TEQUILA**.

• Even vampire bats have their human side. Researcher Ted Fleming told me that sometimes a female vampire bat will

return from a successful blood-sucking trip and share her good fortune by "regurgitating to her roost mates." Awwwww.

• Many bat species are endangered because of humans, some of whom view bats as actual food. A researcher named Tom Kunz told me that in parts of Southeast Asia, bat soup and fried bat are considered tasty treats. In Guam, people have eaten pretty much all the bats. There's a bat shortage! You could become a bat rancher and get rich! Although you would need skilled bat wranglers.

• Kunz also told me that the Gubu people of Papua, New Guinea (I am not making the Gubu people up), have a big feast wherein they boil up a mess of bats, cook them over coals and then eat them whole, after which they pick little bat teeth out of their mouths. Kunz said that, as a researcher, he actually took a tiny bite of this dish.

• Incredibly, he did not say that it tasted like chicken.

So we see that bats have really received a "raw deal" from us humans. I think that from now on, we should all remember that bats are our friends, and we should make every effort to be nice to them

while remaining at a safe distance of, in my case anyway, 14 miles. Also, if we go to a restaurant in Southeast Asia, we should make darned sure we know what we are ordering.

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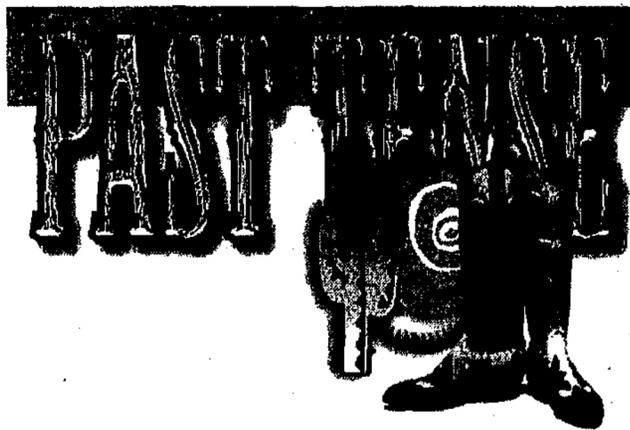
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# 1881

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The Year of Our Lord, 1881, was quite an eventful one in the Old West. Normally, when I cover a particular year in the Old West, it only takes one column. Well, as you can see, I am starting the third one for 1881, and I'm still not sure it will be the last! Some of the things covered in the previous two columns were the Luke Short—Charlie Storms gunfight at Tombstone; Billy the Kid's trial, escape and subsequent death; and we have *still* only covered seven months of that year so far!

## August, 1881

Historians are still unsure of the exact circumstances, which is to say, who did the deed, but one thing is certain: On August 13, 1881,

Newman Haynes "Old Man" Clanton, patriarch of the Clanton family, was killed, along with four of his fellow outlaws, at a place that has been alternately identified as Guadalupe Canyon and Skeleton Canyon. Both of these canyons are located in Arizona within sight of the Mexican border.

Clanton, as even a casual student of western history will tell you, had a family that was a pivotal part of the Earp saga at Tombstone. Two of his sons, Isaac, or Ike, as he was commonly known, and Billy, the youngest of the clan, were destined to figure most prominently in that drama.

Old Man Clanton, who, until his death that August, was the undisputed leader of the "Cowboys" (which in Tombstone was synonymous with "outlaw"), had made a going concern of rustling Mexican cattle and selling them on the U.S. side of the border. And if any of the Mexicans who were being robbed had the temerity to object, neither Old Man Clanton or any of his sons or cronies had the slightest compunction about killing them.

Now, there are those who think it was the Earps and Doc Holliday who staged the ambush that took the lives of Clanton and the other four outlaws, but it is more likely that it was simply (and justifiably) irate Mexicans who followed the gringo outlaws into the U.S. and

ambushed them. When it was all over, only one of the Clanton contingent, Billy Byers, was left alive.

After the death of Clanton, the reins of outlaw leadership fell to Curly Bill Brocius and Johnny Ringo — *not*, as some movies would have us believe, to Ike Clanton. Brocius and Ringo, whatever their faults, were not cowards. This was not a statement that Ike could have made.

Josephine Earp, in her memoirs, hit the nail right on the head. Quoting Ike as saying that "fight is my racket," she pointed out that the exact opposite was really true: racket was his fight.

Eleven days after Clanton's mostly unmourned demise, up in Colorado, there was more fun concerning outlaws and lawmen. On that day, the 24th of August, outlaw Burt Wilkinson killed a Silverton lawman who was attempting to arrest him. When a rather large reward (documentation is lacking, but some said it was as high as \$2,500) was offered, two men, Ike Stockton (formerly of Lincoln, N.M.) and Bud Galbreth, captured Wilkinson and collected the reward. What makes this event particularly interesting is that both Stockton and Galbreth were members of the Burt Wilkinson gang! So much for "honor among thieves..."

And on the 31st of August, the ever-industrious Black Bart robbed the Yureka, California stagecoach a mere nine miles from town.

## September, 1881

On the 4th of September, the afore mentioned outlaw, Burt Wilkinson, who did not show any particular

wisdom in his selection of gang members, was lynched at Silverton, Colorado. History did not record whether or not any of his traitorous former associates were present.

Three days later, in Missouri, the James/Younger gang pulled off one of their better-known robberies at a place called Blue Cut. When they stopped the Chicago and Alton Railroad train at that place, all of the bandits were disguised, with one notable exception: Jesse James himself.

Jesse, who by this time was a bit on the brazen side as far as the law was concerned, loudly announced that he wanted the authorities to know who he was as this robbery was being committed specifically because the railroad had helped offer the reward for the gang. And Jesse, apparently, wanted folks to understand that he did not approve of anyone giving the railroad any business at all! After plundering the express box, the bandits then systematically robbed the 90+ passengers on the train of their personal valuables. The gang made off with somewhere in the vicinity of \$12,000. At this time, Jesse had less than a year to live.

The very next day, on the 8th of September, the Bisbee stage was held up near Hereford, Arizona Territory. It was a successful robbery, with no one being hurt, and the bandits departed with \$3,250 in cash and jewelry. Typically, for that time and place, one of the suspects in the robbery was Cochise County Sheriff John Behan's deputy, Frank Stillwell.

In the course of the next year, Stillwell was destined to make some extremely poor career decisions. The worst of these was being identified as one of the triggermen in the death of Morgan Earp, who, according to many, was big brother Wyatt's favorite brother. Wyatt, Doc Holliday, and others sympathetic to the Earp cause, caught up with Frank in the railroad yards at Tombstone a mere two days after Morgan's murder. They dispatched him in such a fashion that there was a running joke at Tucson for the next week or so: residents quipped that Stillwell had been shot so many times that they didn't know whether to bury him or sell him for scrap metal.

On the 9th of September, over at Fort Smith, Arkansas, five outlaws were hung for various capital crimes committed in the Indian Nations (Oklahoma). Amazingly, considering the way things tended to go with justice in those days, the hanging was actually a legal one!

Remember the two outlaws

who turned in their boss, Burt Wilkinson? Well, neither Ike Stockton nor Bud Galbreth had any intention of going straight. They had turned in Wilkinson for the reward and nothing else.

And while the authorities were grateful for the actions of these two turncoats, they were still quite aware that both men were most definitely outlaws. On the 26th of September, when lawmen attempted to arrest the pair, Stockton went for his gun. In the resulting (extremely brief) gunfight, Stockton took a bullet in the thigh. Doctors decided that the leg could not be saved and amputated it the next day. The operation was a success, but the patient died...

**October, 1881**

At Socorro, New Mexico Territory, two of the men who had formerly ridden with Ike Stockton were lynched. The next day, Black Bart, who was one of the most industrious outlaws that the Old West ever knew, robbed the Yureka to Redding, California, stagecoach. Three days later, the always courteous outlaw robbed the Lakeview to Redding stage.

And then, on October 26th, what is perhaps the most famous (and probably most discussed by historians) gunfight that ever happened in the Old West took place.

Ike Clanton, known to all who knew him as a bag of wind, had been going around Tombstone bragging that he and his outlaw cronies were going to kill the Earps and Doc Holliday. Well, on the 26th, the Earps called his bluff.

About 2:30 in the afternoon, in an alley about 90 feet from the OK Corral, the Earps, along with Doc Holliday, confronted a group of cowboys that included the drunk and obnoxious Ike Clanton. With him in that narrow alley was his little brother Billy, the two McLaurys, Tom and Frank, and Billy Claiborne. All of these men had been threatening the Earps and Holliday at one time or another in the course of the previous year, and when they saw Doc and the Earps swing into the alley they must have collectively uttered the

phrase "Oh, s---." But the time for talking has passed.

City Marshal Virgil Earp demanded the cowboys guns and got them, although not in the manner that he had hoped. There were about 30 witnesses to this famed gunfight and there are about 30 different versions of what happened next. Basically, everyone with the exception of Ike and Billy Claiborne, went for their guns. Claiborne showed remarkable good sense and departed the scene at a speed approaching Mach 1. Ike, ever the blowhard, lunged at Wyatt, and despite all of his threats, suddenly announced that he didn't want any trouble at all. When Earp calmly pushed him away, telling to "go to fighting or get away," Ike chose the latter course, abandoning his teenage brother Billy to his fate. As historian Bob Boze Bell has so accurately pointed out, Ike, "without stopping, ran into the front of the lodging house (adjacent to the alley), out through the back door, onto the back landing, by (Sheriff John) Behan, over Billy Claiborne, into the photography gallery, through the hall, out the back, around the gallery corner, over the fence, between the outhouses, across Allen (Street), under the freight wagon, into Kellogg's Saloon, past the faro tables, through the fiddler, out the back door, down the alley and into Alfred Emanuel's building on Toughnut Street, where he secured himself behind a barrel of mescal."

Courage was not Ike's strong point. In fact, six years later, he was killed trying to rustle some cattle. True to form, he was running away at the time.

Anyway, with Ike's departure, the shooters left to settle the matter were the three Earps (Virgil, Wyatt and Morgan) and Doc Holliday.

Holliday's presence, of course, gave new meaning to the phrase, "The doctor will see you now." For the cowboy faction there was Billy Clanton, who, unlike big brother Ike, had some courage, and the two McLaurys, Frank and Tom.

**Coming attractions**

Well, like I said at the beginning, 1881 was a big 'un, and I've run out of the space necessary to finish even the story of the OK Corral gunfight, much less the rest of the year. However, I promise that next week's installment will

definitely be the last of 1881.

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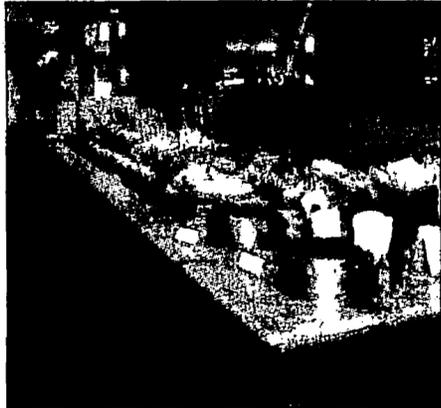


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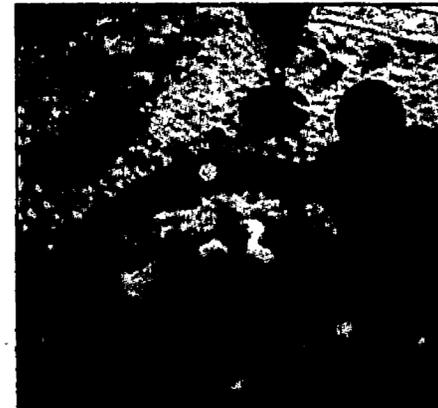
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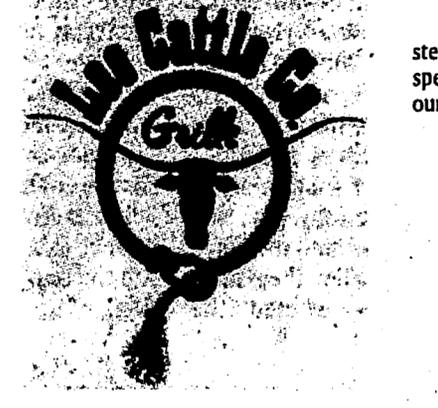
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To be known as Santa's Helpers, because the communitywide project includes volunteers from many different organizations, the collection and distribu-

tion of toys, food and clothing for local children and families will be handled much as in prior years. Applications will be distributed for completion by parents and guardians and returned to the Board of Realtors office in Jira Plaza, 700 Mechem Drive, Suite 10, Ruidoso.

Specific requests for participating children will be available once again through "Angel" cards placed on Christmas trees in local businesses and churches.

Because the Sierra Mall storefront

used in recent years now is a music store, Santa's Helpers will be located at 1086 Mechem Drive. The sponsors said the site is convenient for dropping off items, with plenty of parking for volunteers.

The new site will be open beginning Saturday, Nov. 25. Distribution of gifts and food to families will be on Wednesday, Dec. 20.

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One of the reports will be on the results of ticket sales for two handmade quilts by Ruth Ann Originals, one with a cat theme and the other with a dog theme.

Tickets are available from society members for \$1 each or six for \$5. All proceeds go to the group's spay and neuter fund. Tick-

ets also will be on sale at the society booth at the annual Christmas Jubilee Nov. 11-12, at the Ruidoso Convention Center off Mechem Drive.

The winners of the quilt will be drawn Nov. 12 during the jubilee. Ticket holders need not be present to win.

Other topics on the Nov. 18 meeting agenda include dog training classes, the results of the jubilee booth and reports on the society thrift shop and membership drive.

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SMALL ONE BEDROOM off Carrizo Canyon Rd. \$325.00 monthly plus \$100.00 deposit.

TOTALLY REMODELED 2BD, 1BA. 243 Carrizo Canyon, \$575 includes water.

LAS CASITAS DE ROSA excellent location, 2 bedrooms upstairs; 1.25 bathrooms; and w/d hookups.

1 & 2 BD APARTMENTS, Terrific view on Mechem, \$430 with \$400 deposit.

1BD APARTMENT, Available in Capitán. \$290/mo plus deposit.

1BD FURNISHED, ALL Bills paid. No dogs \$425/mo \$150 deposit

\$285 EFFICIENCY CABINS; midtown, utilities paid. Clean and cozy.

APARTMENTS, HOUSES, Mobil Homes. 258-2212

CIMARRON CONDOS, \$225/mo. plus deposit. 378-6260.

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080 APARTMENTS FOR RENT

APARTMENTS ON NOB HILL Now Accepting Applications

2BR/1BA Single Level Courtyard Homes. Ruidoso's all new apartment community.

COZY, FURNISHED efficiency apartment in Midtown. Very clean. \$295 per month includes basic utilities.

MODERN, CLEAN NEWLY painted, one bedroom apartment. Lots of closets and storage.

NICEST TWO BEDROOM, one bath apartment in town. Cathedral ceilings.

NOW TAKING applications; 1,2,3 bedroom apartments. Certain income restrictions apply.

STUDIO APARTMENT, furnished, utilities and cable included.

VERY AFFORDABLE ALL paid except electric. Cute one bedroom apartment.

RESALE: 2 Bedroom, 2 Bath with garage and guest apartment or rental.

Model Home Open Great Western Realty, Inc. Professional Property Managers of Alto Alps Condominiums

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090 MOBILES FOR RENT

10'X50' 2BD/1BA mobile, \$275/mo., \$100/deposit. 10 miles east of race track.

20' TRAVEL TRAILER; 10 miles east of race track, \$175/mo, \$100/dep.

3BD/2BA, \$500 Unfurnished, plus utilities, plus \$250 security deposit.

3BD/2BA, IN EXCELLENT Condition. Near "Y" on river, water furnished.

NOW TAKING Applications 2 Trailers - Convenient location. 16x80, 3/2, \$550 + deposit

100 CONDOS FOR RENT 3/2 CONDO, furnished, \$750, you pay utilities.

FURNISHED 2BR/2BA Townhome on Cree Meadows. LT Lease. A + Realty Services

110 CABINS/VACATION RENTALS UNFURNISHED 2 BEDROOM, study, 3/4 bath, 2 level, \$525/mo.

120 MOBILE SPACES FOR RENT Big 90'X170' fenced spaces. \$165/mo. Easy access.

130 ROOM FOR RENT A QUIET HORSE FARM on the river.

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140 WANT TO RENT

COUPLE WOULD LIKE TO rent 3/4 BD house in Alto. Unfurnished need around middle of December.

150 STORAGE SPACE FOR RENT AA STORAGE: 378-7030. Inside-Outside storage.

ALL SIZES STORAGE UNITS available. Affordable Storage, 253 Carrizo Canyon.

L & D SELF STORAGE Hwy 48. Space available. 258-4599 or 257-9463.

UPPER CANYON MINI Storage now renting. Call 257-9673.

170 BUSINESS RENTALS FOR LEASE: Commercial/light industrial space; (2) 20'x50' bays with 16' walls and 14' doors.

FOR LEASE: HIGHLY Visible sq. ft. commercial building with Hwy 70 frontage at the "Y".

FOR LEASE: PRIME Office Space. Executive suites with conference room.

THREE OFFICE SPACES for rent, handicap accessible, with utilities good price.

WAREHOUSE FOR RENT, approx. 1600 sq.ft, restroom, forced air heating, two 14 ft. roll up doors.

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180 BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

A + MEM MARR/NESTLE. Established vending route. Will sell by 11/13/2000.

FOR SALE BY OWNER 5 acre cottage resort, \$1.5 million, 4.5xgross, 13 cabins with large comfortable home.

FOR SALE: RETAIL KNIFE, jewelry and Curio shop in high traffic area with very reasonable lease.

WILL PAY 50% APR FOR Short term loan. Ask for Tim (505)258-4512

190 AUTOS FOR SALE 1995 CHEVROLET, 4 DOOR Station Wagon. 285 V-8. Great shape, runs good.

1995 CORVETTE, BLACK on black, removable hardtop, new \$3,000 tires, Bose, SBK, excellent condition.

'87 BEL-AIR, 4 DOOR Coupe, 95% restored. \$4,800 (915)565-7240 (915)562-7408

TOD GOOD TO PASS UPI Having to sell my mother's 1995 Mercury Cougar XR7, 20,000 miles, V-8, Red in color.

200 TRUCKS & 4X4S FOR SALE 1981 SUBURBAN 4X4, 1/2 ton, low miles, auto, A/C, 9 passenger, nice tires and wheels.

1989 CHEVROLET PICKUP Supercab, 4x4 shortbed, 3/4 ton, new motor, tires, shocks and battery.

070 HOUSES FOR RENT

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www.zianet.com/starr/ 257-4274 716 Mechem Dr. • Ruidoso, NM NM THIS WEEKS FEATURE Three bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, huge den, family room, formal dining, double garage - views of Links and Sierra Blanca.

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MARTIN ROSE Multi-Million Dollar Producer Office: 257-9057 Toll Free: (800) 658-2773 Res: (505) 258-4143

Ahhhhhh! Ruidoso! Georgia Underwood Century 21 Aspen Real Estate 727 Mechem Dr. Ruidoso (505) 257-9357

CHARLOTTA STEWART ... it's with an "A" 605-257-9057 Office: 1-800-430-8915 Cell 505-257-2331 Home

Sierra Blanca Realty Barbara Willard - Broker (505) 257-2576 THE GOOD LIFE - soak away your worries in this 4-person spa in master suite.

GARY LYNCH REALTY SUPER COMMERCIAL LOCATION! Great location and lots of square footage make this a prime commercial property!

616 Mechem Ruidoso, NM 88345 garylynchrealty.com 257-4011 CHECK OUT THIS PRICE!

FOR SALE Alto Alps Condominiums NEW CONDOMINIUMS UNDER CONSTRUCTION: Come out, check our quality construction with custom cabinets, lots of tile and many other custom features.

Looking for a weekend getaway? A seasonal retreat? A reason to smile? COMPLETELY REMODELED Mountain View Lane 2 bedroom, 1 bath cabin. New carpet, vinyl, bath fixtures, plumbing, electrical, heating, cabinets, molding, trim & paint (inside & out)!



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Size Truck for the Village of Ruidoso

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By Order of the Governing Body

/s/ Lorri McKnight Finance Director

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DRIVERS You Belong With The Best!

The Pizza Hut Delivery Unit of Ruidoso is Hiring DRIVERS For PART & FULL TIME POSITIONS

- We Offer:
• Earnings from \$6.00 up to over \$12 an hour plus tips
• Reimbursement Programs (\$1.00 for each delivery)
• Freedom from a 9-5 Desk Job
• Flexible Hours

We Require:
• Clean Driving Record
• Minimum Age: 18 yrs. old
• Proof of Insurance
• Production Positions Open
• Please Come By Between 10-2, 5-9 For Interview



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LOOKING FOR A REWARDING CHALLENGING CAREER? Earn while you learn. Ask about our nursing assistant training program. RUIDOSO CARE CENTER 257-9071

\$2,000.00 Sign on Bonus RN's and LPN's needed at Ruidoso Care Center Contact Human Resources at 257-9071

Trendy Deli & Coffee Shop is seeking energetic and fun persons for full time and part time 8:00 a.m - 6:00 p.m. Daily Time Square Deli Books-N-Beans 2501 Sudderth 630-2326

Help us go way back to the 50's ... in our new diner ... Denny's ... NOW HIRING COOKS, SERVERS, HOSTS AND BUSSERS. Apply in person 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Hwy 70 in Ruidoso Downs. We offer health benefits, 401K, paid vacations, and a great opportunity for advancement.

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LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE HONDO SCHOOLS WATER SYSTEM WISHES TO ADVISE ITS CONSUMERS THAT THE MAXIMUM CONTAMINANT LEVEL FOR TOTAL COLIFORMS IN DRINKING WATER WAS EXCEEDED DURING THE MOST RECENT REPORTING PERIOD OF October, 2000.

The New Mexico Environment Department and the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) set drinking water standards and have determined that the presence of total coliforms is a possible health concern. Total coliforms are common in the environment and generally not harmful to themselves. The presence of these bacteria in drinking water, however, generally is a result of a problem with water treatment or the pipes which distribute the water, and indicates that the water may be contaminated with organisms that can cause disease. Disease symptoms may include diarrhea, cramps, nausea, and possibly jaundice, and any associated headaches and fatigue.

A request for a variance for 1980, 14x61 Mobile Home, G & D Mobile Home Park, Bob Anderson, owner.

All citizens will have opportunity to make and/or verbal Comment.

/s/ Emma J. Herrera

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT on Tuesday, November 14, 2000, at 10:30 a.m. at the rear entrance to the Sears Store, located at 2172 Highway 70 West, in Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico, the undersigned will offer at public sale and sell to the highest bidder the following described personal property:

- Lot#1: 1998 Dodge 3/4 Ton Pickup with stake bed and Tommy-lit
Lot#2: Miscellaneous office equipment, including, the following: a fax machine; Gateway 200 Computer with hard drive, speakers and Canon bubble jet printer; Trash cans; Adding machines (2 desktop; 4 handheld); Desk lamp; 4 file cabinets - 4 drawer each; 3 rolling file cabinet; Xerox printer; Miscellaneous: file holders; 7' Desk; 5' Desk; Computer Desk; Break table and chairs; 2 Clocks; Leather desk chair; Cloth desk chair; Leather recliner; 2 Floor pads; 3 Side chairs; Draftsman chair; Paper cutter; Stacking Pencil Sharpener; 2 Stacking Computer Organizers; 3 Two-Line phones with intercom; 1 Two-line portable phone; Time clock; 4' Receiving desk and lamp.

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LEGAL NOTICE

VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Governing Body of the Village of Ruidoso, New Mexico will hold a public hearing in conjunction with the regularly scheduled meeting on November 14, 2000, beginning at 8:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building of the Village of Ruidoso, New Mexico. The public hearing is concerning the approval of a Restaurant Beer and Wine Liquor License. The State of New Mexico Regulation and Licensing Department Alcohol and Gaming Division has given preliminary approval of this license.

The name of the applicant is Terrill, Inc., whose address is 2547 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso, New Mexico, 88345, to be used at the business known as Cafe Rio, located at 2547 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico.

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Mexico, 88345. Comments or inquiries should be directed to the Village Clerk, Tammie J. Maddox, 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, NM 88345, 258-4343 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

By: /s/ Tammie J. Maddox Clerk

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the planning and zoning for The Village of Ruidoso Downs will hold its regular meeting on Tuesday, November 7, 2000, at 7:00 PM, in the Village Council Room in the Village of Ruidoso Downs. At the end of the meeting, there will be a workshop for commercial zoning.

All citizens will have opportunity to make and/or verbal Comment.

/s/ Emma J. Herrera

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LEGAL NOTICE

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO SIERRA BLANCA REGIONAL AIRPORT IMPROVEMENTS-2000

Improve Facility Access and Entrance Road and Turn-around Ruidoso, New Mexico AIP Project No. 3-35-0052-11

The Village Council of the Village of Ruidoso, New Mexico will receive sealed proposals for construction of the Sierra Blanca Regional Airport Improvements - Improve Facility Access and Entrance Roads and Turn-around, until 3:30 p.m. (local time) November 14, 2000 at the office of the Purchasing Agent. Proposals should be addressed or delivered to:

Purchasing Department Village of Ruidoso Purchasing Warehouse 421 Wingfield Drive Ruidoso, NM 88345 Phone: (505)257-2721

Bids received after 3:30 p.m. (local time) November 14, 2000 will be returned unopened. All interested parties are invited to attend the Bid Opening. Bids will be opened and publicly read aloud immediately after the specified closing time at:

Water Department Village of Ruidoso 419 Wingfield Drive Ruidoso, NM 88345

Copies of plans and specifications together with contract documents are available for public inspection at the Sierra Blanca Regional Airport, Village of Ruidoso, and at the Purchasing Department, Village of Ruidoso, and at the

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Shelves (various sizes); 10' Table display for tabletop power tools; 16x8x2 Adjustable portable shelving; 1 folding tables; Lawnmower displays; Sport court and carpet tiles; 18' Cash wrap (counter); 2 Spinner display racks.

Lot#5: Pallet jack; 3'X5' platform truck; 2 Large appliance dollies; 4 Small dollies; 2 rolling trash containers; 7 ladders; Portable loading ramps.

All items in each lot will be sold together, as a single unit. Cash or certified checks only will be accepted. Full payment is required at the time of sale. Buyers must take possession upon completion of the sale at the sale location. The listed items will be available for inspection beginning at 9:00 a.m. on the date of the sale, at the sale location, listed above. The liquidating creditor reserves the right to bid on any or all items.

Dated: October 31, 2000

LEGAL SERVICES INC., P.C.

/s/ By: Lee Griffin, attorney for Howard and Toni Varnadore Secured Creditors 2172 Highway 70 West Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico 88346

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offices of Leedshill-Herkner, Inc., and may be obtained from Leedshill-Herkner, Inc., 600 Copper Ave. N.W., P.O. Box 1217, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103, upon a deposit of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) which will be refunded to each contractor submitting a bid upon return of the plans within ten (10) days after bid opening.

Each bidder shall be prepared to furnish the Owner with satisfactory evidence of his competency to perform the work contemplated.

Each bidder will be required to submit with his bid, a certified check, cashiers check, or bid bond in the amount of 5% of his bid, made payable to the Village of Ruidoso.

The Village Council agrees to carefully canvass and consider each bid submitted. In consideration thereof, no bids may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for receipt of bids for sixty (60) calendar days.

The Village Council reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive technicalities and to accept the proposal it deems to be in the best interest of the Village to accept.

Minimum wage rates on this project shall be determined by the U.S. Department of Labor Wage Rate Decision No. NM800002 or by the New Mexico State Labor Commission, whichever is the higher for each trade or labor classification.

A.I.P. CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS:

- a. Required Languages: 1. Policy: It is the policy of the Department of Transportation (DOT) that disadvantaged business enterprises as defined in 49 CFR Part 23 shall have the maximum opportunity to participate in the performance of contracts financed in whole or in part with Federal funds. 2. Buy American Provision: The proposed contract is subject to the Buy American provision under Section 3129 of the Aviation Safety and Capacity Expansion Act of 1990. Details of such requirement are contained in the specifications.

- b. DBE Notice: All bidders and proposers shall make good faith efforts, as defined in 49 CFR Part 26, Regulations of the Office of Secretary of Transportation, to subcontract 13.26 percent of the dollar value of the prime contract to small business concerns owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals (DBE). In the event that the bidder for this solicitation qualifies as a DBE, the contract goal shall be deemed to have been met. Individuals who are rebuttably presumed to be socially and economically disadvantaged include women, Blacks, Hispanics, Native Americans, Asian-Pacific Americans, and Asian-Indian Americans. The apparent successful bidder (proposer) will be required to submit

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information concerning the DBE's that will participate in this contract. The information will include the name and address for each DBE, a description of the work to be performed by each named firm, and the dollar value of the contract (sub-contract). If the bidder fails to achieve the contract goal stated herein, it will be required to provide documentation demonstrating that it made good faith efforts in attempting to do so. A bid that fails to meet these requirements will be considered nonresponsive.

- c. Required Notices: The regulations and orders of the Secretary of Labor, OFCCP and FAR 152.61, require that the sponsor or his contractor(s) include, in invitations for bids or negotiations for contracts or subcontracts over \$10,000, the following notices:

- 1. The proposed contract is under and subject to Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and to the Equal Opportunity Clause. 2. The successful bidder (Proposer) must supply all the information required by the bid or proposal form. 3. The successful bidder will be required to submit a Certification of Nonsegregated Facilities prior to award of the contract, and to notify prospective subcontractors of the requirement where the amount of the subcontract exceeds \$10,000.

Samples of the Certification and Notice to Subcontractors appear in the specifications.

- 4. Women will be afforded equal opportunity in all areas of employment. However, the employment of women shall not diminish the standards or requirements for the employment of minorities.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The work to be done under this project is described as follows: Improve Facility Access Road and Turn-around. This is an unopened roadway.

Bidding Contractors must possess applicable valid New Mexico Contractors License(s) at the time of bid opening.

The owner will evaluate bids and reserves the right to award a contract at its sole discretion.

VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO, NEW MEXICO

By: Purchasing Agent

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Village of Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico call for sealed bids on:

Water Pipe Fittings and Accessories for the Village of Ruidoso

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By Order of the Governing Body

/s/ Lorri McKnight Finance Director Village of Ruidoso

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Special Projects Coordinator

/s/ Cleatus Richards

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dition no more than 14 days after bids have been opened. Those who do not submit prime bids will forfeit deposits unless sets are returned in good condition at least seven (7) days prior to bid opening. No partial sets will be issued. Sub-bidders may obtain one (1) set of drawings and specifications from the Architect upon deposit of Seventy Five Dollars (\$75) per set (plus non-refundable shipping costs). The sub-bidders will be refunded their deposit by returning set in good condition no more than 14 days after bids have been opened.

Bid security in an amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the largest possible total for the bid submitted on an acceptable bidder bond, as a guarantee that if awarded the contract, the bidder will enter into a contract promptly and execute the required performance bond and payment bonds.

Bidders are advised that the following is included in the contract:

- 1) Liquidated damage clause. 2) Statement of Qualifications by the General Contractors. (Part of Bid Form) 3) State Wage Rates. 4) Public Works and Apprenticeship And Training Act. 5) 5% Preference applicable to qualified New Mexico Contractors 6) Bid Bonds, Performance Bonds and Payment Bonds shall be required from the General Contractor.

The owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any or all informalities.

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EASTERN NEW MEXICO UNIVERSITY-ROSWELL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

POSITION: Regional Director, New Mexico Works Program LOCATION: Customized Training Department SALARY: DOE START DATE: November 5, 2000 CLOSING DATE: Until filled

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Bachelor's Degree required. Education and/or experience in Human Services or related field, preferably as an administrator or coordinator. Computer Literacy Required.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS: Master's Degree.

RESPONSIBILITIES: Manage all aspects of the New Mexico Works Program in Region IV, consisting of the following counties: Chaves, Curry, DeBaca, Eddy, Guedalupe, Lea, Lincoln, Quay, Roosevelt, and Socorro, in accordance with the New Mexico Human Services Department to provide services to welfare clients. Oversight of operations conducted by ENMU-Roswell, as well as four subcontracts with educational institutions or governmental organizations. Travel is required, must possess a valid NM Drivers License.

DUTIES: Development of long and short-range plans. Daily communication with the NM Human Services Department. Oversight of the Welfare-to-Work program with the NM Department of Labor. Administrative and operational problem solving. Coordination of a comprehensive client database for use by NMWP contractors throughout the state. Maintaining and improving financial and statistical reporting for the region.

ENMU-Roswell reserves the right to cancel, change or close any advertised position at any time. The decision to do so will be based upon the needs of the University and the final determination will rest with the provost. Please call the Human Resources Office at (505) 624-7410 for a copy of complete details of this job announcement.

TO APPLY: Submit letter of interest, resume, complete transcript, and names, addresses and phone numbers of three professional references to: Human Resources Office, ENMU-Roswell P.O., Box 6000, Roswell, New Mexico, 88202-6000. Complete applications must be in the Human Resources office to be considered for this position.

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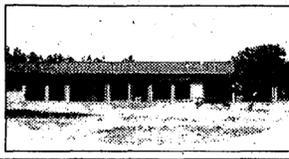
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| <b>Jan Harlow</b><br>630-9611<br>harlowj@ruidosoproerty.com       | <b>Gary Branson</b><br>257-0900<br>430-0446                     |   |



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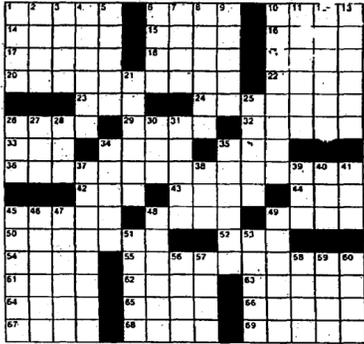
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  - Locking device
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  - Overconfident racer of fable
  - Charles Lamb pseudonym
  - Raise
  - Quickly, quickly
  - Charitable donation
  - Start of a Daniel Webster quote
  - "Act now!"
  - New England's Cape
  - Generally
  - Turn to cinders
  - Sentry's cry

- DOWN**
- Prevent from acting
  - Chicken
  - Syrup brand
  - Radical collage org.
  - Middle of the quote
  - California's Fort
  - Cover for a diamond
  - Theater sign
  - Elève's place
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  - Latin love
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  - Utah national park
  - Garfield's foil
  - Racing org
  - Singer John
  - Honolulu-based detective
  - Survive
  - Noah's landfall
  - English diarist Samuel
  - Whiplash preventer
  - Total
  - Cousin of a metaphor
  - Scrapbook user
  - "... me, villain!"
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  - It's swung in forests
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  - Sudden arrival of fall weather
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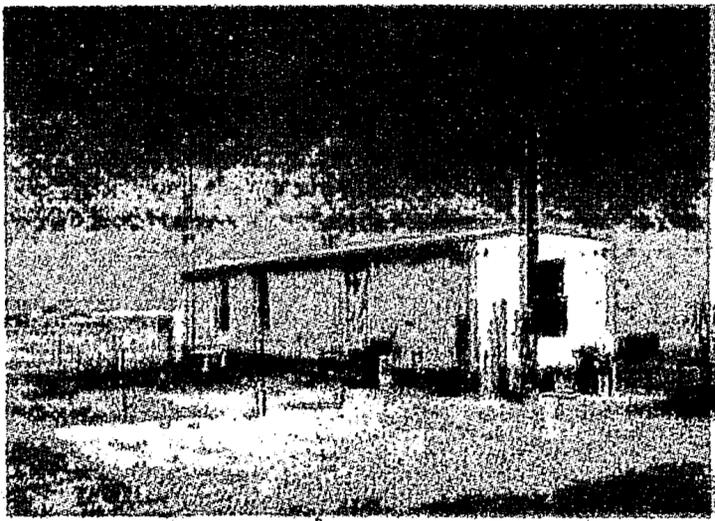
3 bdrm, 2 bath, very nice stucco home. Great floorplan with master bdrm which is separate from other bdrms.



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3 bdrms, 2 bath, 2 car garage. All one level catus pine siding, long covered porch with great views. Home is on 1 acre, fairly secluded. 2 years old - Owner builder.



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**Scribner • \$1,000,000 • 550 High Mesa Rd.**

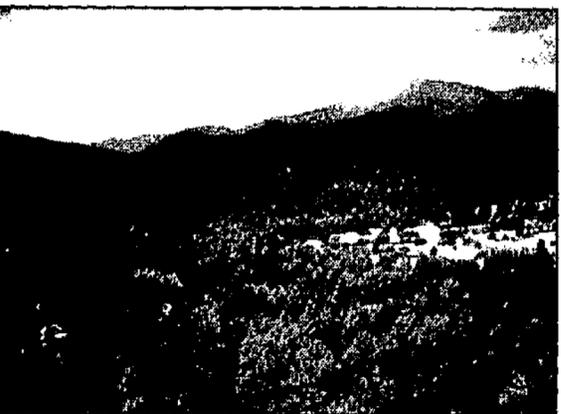
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**Airport West**

**Harkins • \$53,900 • 405 Del Norte Dr.**

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**Country Club Estates**

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**Sunny Slope**

Reyes • \$225,000 • 205 White Mtn. Meadows Dr.

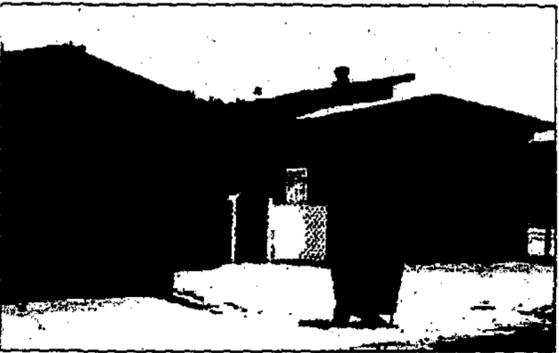
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**High Sites Subdivision**

Hale • \$125,000 • 103 Monica's Court

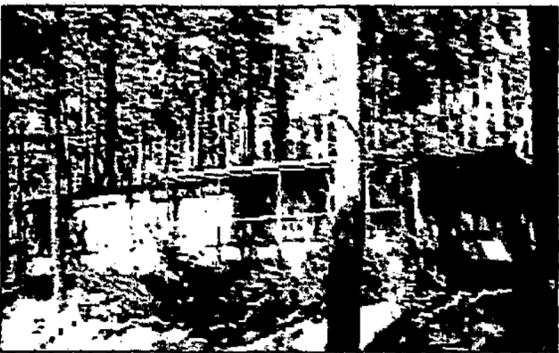
Three bedrooms, 2 bath with large covered back yard and nice front lawn area. Very easy access located on a cul-de-sac in the Ruidoso Care Center area. Pergo wood floors, wood window blinds and more in immaculate condition. A must see family home!



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**Ponderosa Heights**

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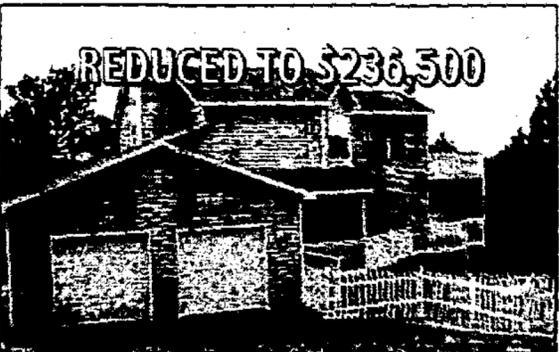
Three bedrooms, 2 baths. Excellent rental. Home is 1 level. 2-car garage. Motivated seller.



**Pinon Park Condo's**

Long • \$79,900 • Unit #C7

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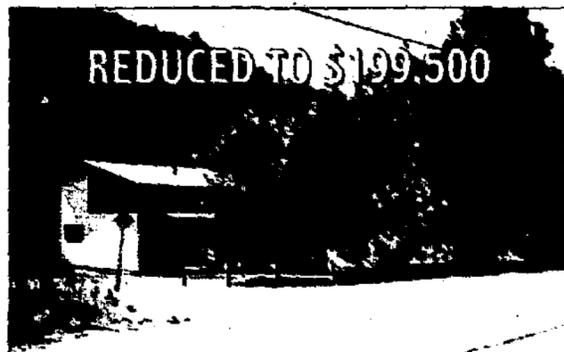


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**White Mountain Meadows**

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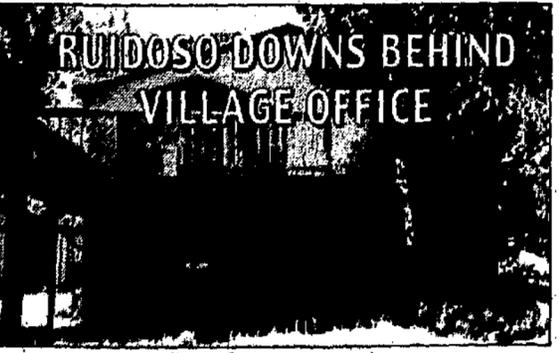


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**Carrizo Canyon Road**

Garnett • \$212,000 • Carrizo Canyon Road

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