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Feel the chill?

It's been cold in Ruidoso for November

BY JAMES KALVELAGE
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

If you've felt the chill the past few weeks, it's been the temperature.

Through the first 15 days of November the average temperature in Ruidoso has been 32.9 degrees, said Charlie Liles, chief meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Albuquerque. The normal average is 39.9 for the entire month.

Liles said in the first half of November, the average temperature typically registers about 43 degrees.

"You've been about 10 degrees below normal," Liles said. "There have been some cold overnights. On Monday morning the temperature went to 8 degrees."

And last week the mercury fell to 9, 14 and 17 degrees three mornings.

Normally Ruidoso has an afternoon high of 57 degrees this time of year, and an overnight low of 23.

"I see a lot of highs in the 40s,"

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Season opener



Ski Apache lift operator Travis Prins shovels snow off the gable on Lift 7 at the bottom of Lower Spruce. Ski Apache is expecting a good crowd for the early opening. See story, page 1B, more photos, page 6B.

Candidate surprised to find recount complete

Mescalero Apache says he was not notified that verification of the tribal council election was to take place

BY DIANNE STALLING
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Carleton Palmer, who requested a recount in the Mescalero Apache election for four seats on the tribal council, said he was surprised to learn after the fact that a recount occurred.

"Olive Rose, the president of the election board, came to my house and delivered the results," he said Tuesday. "She never told me they were recounting, and I had no chance to send a representative there to watch. She told me there was one vote difference. We still feel the numbers are incorrect."

Rose didn't return several calls for comment to the tribal administration center.

Palmer came in fifth out of a field of eight can-

"We still feel the numbers are incorrect."

Carleton Palmer,
unsuccessful candidate

didates Nov. 7. He was three votes behind former tribal vice president Oliver Enjady, who won the fourth seat with 338 votes. Winning a second term on the council were Glenda Brusuelas with 357 votes and Arthur "Butch" Blazer with 409. Alfred La Paz, former police chief, placed second with 395 votes.

Harlyn Geronimo, who lost his bid for re-election with 327 votes, also filed a protest, but had not

been notified officially of the recount by Thursday, Palmer said.

He said that although their names were listed as plaintiffs, they also didn't receive official notification of a hearing in their bid to recall tribal President Sara Misquez. Two other people listed as plaintiffs were issued summons, Palmer said.

Last month, the tribal council secretary declared a petition for a recall election invalid, saying it contained fewer than the 552 signatures indicated and not enough to meet the required 25 percent of the tribe's eligible 1,919 tribal voters.

She also claimed some signers contend they thought they were calling for tribal dividends when they signed.

Embattled Downs fire chief's appeal hearing set for December

BY JAMES KALVELAGE
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An appeal hearing for fired Ruidoso Downs fire chief Nick Herrera has been scheduled for Dec. 18.

Whether the hearing is open or closed to the public will depend on Herrera, and likely, the status of a criminal investigation into the Ruidoso Downs Fire Department.

"We have an absolute right to have it open," said J. Robert Beauvais, the Ruidoso attorney representing Herrera in the employment dispute. "It would be an easy call if the criminal investigation was done."

Beauvais said an open hearing could be attended by those collecting additional information in the fire department investigation. A closed hearing likely would exclude the district attorney from gathering information.

Beauvais said there is a psychological benefit to having the hearing open, showing Herrera has

nothing to hide. The attorney indicated he has been frustrated in not being able to obtain information from the village or investigators.

"I still have an abiding concern about the criminal investigation," Beauvais said. "We've asked repeatedly for more information."

Ruidoso Downs village attorney Dan Bryant said whether the 9 a.m. beginning hearing is behind open or closed doors is up to Herrera.

"We will end the employment issue on that day," Bryant told the Ruidoso Downs village council Monday.

Presiding over the hearing will be Rebecca W. Ehler, the city attorney for Alamogordo. Bryant said Ehler had extensive experience in employment issues.

Herrera, who is challenging his dismissal by saying the new Ruidoso Downs administration was "out to get rid of him", was fired Aug. 28 after 10 years with the village department.

Village officials refused to detail the reason for terminating the fire chief following an executive session of the village council. The matter was described as a "personnel issue."

Herrera has been on paid leave for nearly four months.

Two other department members were also placed on leave in May, and by the middle of the month the remaining 14 volunteers stepped out in support of Herrera. New volunteers walked in to provide Ruidoso Downs with fire protection.

While reasons for the firing have not been disclosed, a number of memoranda from village officials to Herrera preceded the May 4 letter.

The memos dealt with issues such as the operations of the fire department, the number of units responding to emergency calls, mutual aid agreements, the use of department vehicles, driving habits of volunteers in responding to calls, and the condition of the fire barn.

Pine tree pest infestations worsen

An insect that causes fatal damage to evergreen trees in the Ruidoso area and across New Mexico has intensified after two years of drought, a state forest entomologist said.

Aerial surveys this summer showed that engraver beetles killed more than 13,000 acres of ponderosa pine and piñon trees in patches across the state, said Bob Cain of New Mexico State University's Cooperative Extension Service.

And more damage has been detected since September.

Other species that attack high-elevation conifers have infested another 33,000 acres, killing ponderosa pines, spruce and Douglas and white fir trees.

"We're seeing a tremendous increase in the number of areas affected plus a severe intensification of attacks in the infested zones," Cain said in a news release. "Certain parts of the state have experienced two years of acute drought during the winter and summer, and it's led to an immense buildup of bark beetles in wooded

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Bob Cain,
forest entomologist

areas."

In addition to Ruidoso, affected areas include the Guadalupe Mountains in Eddy County, Santa Fe, Pecos and Las Vegas.

But the largest outbreak is near Quemado in western New Mexico's Catron County.

Bark beetles feed on the phloem tissue, the substance just beneath the bark. The beetles, slightly larger than a pinhead, also introduce a fungus that blocks water movement from the roots to the top of the tree.

Once bark beetles have successfully colonized a tree, it cannot be saved, Cain said.

Deck the village



Dianne Stallings/Ruidoso News
Rodney Griego, left, with the village of Ruidoso, hands Tom Owen a Christmas decoration to hang from a utility pole on Sudderth Drive. Officials with Charter Communications supplied a truck and cherry picker to help in the holiday effort.

Mountaintop video camera beams ski shots to El Paso

Television station to use scenes to report Ski Apache conditions

Skiers in the El Paso area start getting a bird's eye view of conditions at Ski Apache beginning Monday.

El Paso television station KFOX has installed a weather reporting station and a video camera at the ski facility near Ruidoso, to be used in the station's ski reports on Thursdays and Fridays.

"KFOX serves the same customers that you guys serve," the station's Steve Mangenello told Ruidoso business owners at Thursday's Winter Mountain Summit. "The KFOX weather center will include a camera," Mangenello said. "It will be a big part of our ski reports."

The reports, and the cost of

installing the camera, will be covered through the Inn of the Mountain Gods resort facility, which will sponsor the report.

Mangenello said the reports, with video presentation of the skiing activity, will trigger those in El Paso, Las Cruces, Juarez and northern Mexico to make the trip to Ruidoso this winter.

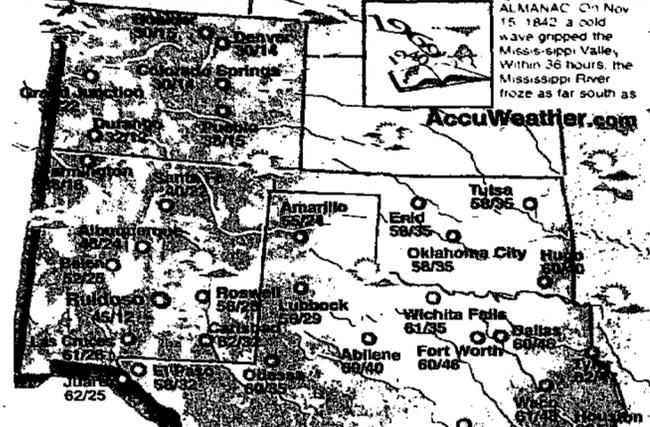
"Let it snow, let it snow, let it snow," Mangenello said. "And we'll bring to El Paso and Juarez what's happening in Ruidoso."

The Winter Mountain Summit, sponsored by the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce, brought about 50 area business owners together to look at expectations for the coming winter and ski season.

AccuWeather SEVEN DAY FORECAST FOR RUIDOSO

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Mostly sunny 45°	Clear, cool 12°	Chilly, sun 38°/15°	Sun, clouds 40°/20°	Chance showers 45°/15°	Brisk, chilly 38°/12°	Cold, sunshine 35°/10°
						Mostly sunny 40°/10°

REGIONAL WEATHER TODAY IN HISTORY



SUN AND MOON

Day	Sunrise	Sunset
Wed	6:34 a.m.	5:00 p.m.
Thu	6:35 a.m.	5:00 p.m.
Fri	6:36 a.m.	4:59 p.m.
Sat	6:37 a.m.	4:59 p.m.
Sun	6:38 a.m.	4:58 p.m.

MOONRISE AND MOONSET

Day	Moonrise	Moonset
Wed	8:51 p.m.	10:30 a.m.
Thu	9:57 p.m.	11:26 a.m.
Fri	11:03 p.m.	12:17 p.m.
Sat	12:09 a.m.	1:00 p.m.
Sun	12:19 a.m.	1:39 p.m.

MOON PHASES

- Nov 18: New
- Nov 25: First
- Dec 3: Full
- Dec 11: Last

REAL FEEL TEMPS

8 a.m.	19°
Noon	34°
4 p.m.	42°
8 p.m.	25°

BRRRRR: November's temperatures far below normal in Ruidoso

Liles said of his review of the numbers. "There were two days that hit 50, but not a day reached the normal of 57." Even last month was cooler than normal. The average Ruidoso temperature in October is 48.9 degrees. October 2000 went in the books at 48.3. The average temperature is figured by using the high and low readings. While temperatures have been lower precipitation is up. Ruidoso received 2.16 inches of rain in October, 139 percent of the normal 1.55 inches, according to the weather service. November is also on course to be an above normal precipitation month, thanks in big part to the election day storm that dumped as much as two feet of snow at some locations, and more atop Sierra Blanca. And more snow could arrive this weekend. "We've been in a storm track since early October," Liles said. "And the jet stream has taken a dramatic plunge to the south. We haven't seen that in November for years." Despite the long range fore-

cast suggesting temperatures will be above normal this winter in southern New Mexico, Liles said such forecasting is a guess, especially with El Nino and La Nina removed as factors. "La Nina died about five months ago," Liles said. "There is an early snow pack north of us and into the high plains of Nebraska and the Dakotas. If they can keep the snow pack up there every air mass from the north coming here will be colder." To greet skiers on the open-

Village keeps busy with public projects

BY JAMES KALVELAGE
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Nearly \$10 million in Ruidoso village projects, many with outside funding, are posted in the village's fiscal year. Reviewing the projects with Ruidoso councilors, Cleatus Richards, the village's special projects coordinator, said the work involves 18 projects now in various stages. Of the projects, 43 percent have gone to Ruidoso contractor Carl Kelley Construction. "The Grindstone sewer extension is in the design phase by ICA (International Consulting and Associates, LTD. of Rio Rancho)," Richards said. "I believe the work will be done by Carl Kelley." While many motorists may believe the new traffic signals at Sudderth Drive and Center Street are completed, that project yet has work to do. Synchronization with the Eagle Street signals needs to be completed by the contractor, Richards said. Hull Road reconstruction was finished a couple of months ago, a project done by village crews. The overflow parking lot near the White Mountain recreational fields near Hull Road has been finished. Additional renovations, to complete the move of the Ruidoso Police Department to their Mechem Drive facility, are being reviewed. "We opened bids on Nov. 16," Richard told councilors. "The bids were higher than anticipated. We're looking at the budget to see what can be com-

pleted." The bids dealt with enclosing a drive-up area of the new police complex for security in moving those arrested from police vehicles to the building. A new communications system at the station is 50 percent in place, Richards said. At the under construction Hawthorn Suites Golf and Convention Resort, upgrades to the so-called common area will add up to more than \$400,000. "The hotel construction is not going as quickly as anticipated," Richards said. "We'll need to eventually upgrade the parking lot and stripe it." Other items include landscaping and revising the Ruidoso Convention Center sign to add a panel declaring the hotel. The common area projects would be financed by the village to the tune of \$213,056. Allhub, the firm behind the Links of Sierra Blanca golf course, would ante up \$140,444. The hotel developer would pay \$103,000. Mainstreet phase two, which would extend the Sudderth Drive roadway and sidewalk improvements west from Midtown, is expected to see construction begin in the spring. The \$1 million project is funded 75 percent with non-local dollars. Several Sierra Blanca Regional Airport projects are completed, and some others still in the design phase, one is listed as "default pending." The cross-wind runway has been in dispute with contractor Meadow Valley Contractors Inc. over the condition of the paving job.



Carrizozo Station, c. 1930s. Courtesy

L.C. SCRAPBOOK

A glimpse into Lincoln County's past, compiled from local newspapers by Polly E. Chavez. **White Oaks Eagle November 22, 1900** H.A. Parker, H.A. Sumner and F.H. Griggs, the Rock Island railway party making a trip over the proposed Rock Island extension from Liberal to White Oaks to a junction with the El Paso & North-eastern, arrived here Tuesday at 10 o'clock. They stayed over long enough to get dinner and to meet a committee of citizens here, gathered up a few specimens and went on to Carrizozo, where Mr. Parker's private car awaited them. No information of importance was given out concerning the route of the road from Carrizozo, and the impression was given that a final decision had not been made. Schelerville will soon have a post office and a general store.

CORRECTION

The Allsup's convenience store location that had a reported armed robbery on Nov. 10 is located at 311 Sudderth Drive. A story in Wednesday's newspaper provided an incorrect address.

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Heads up



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Mark Davis plants a kiss on the shaved head of Jon Thompson as other youth ministers enjoy the prank. Youth ministers at six churches participating in Outbreak Ministries had to shave their heads or take pies in the face as pay off for their members turning up at a function Wednesday with more than 200 young people. From left, other youth ministers are Rex Pinal Jr., John Duncan (seated) and Bethany Graves. Participating churches are First Baptist of Ruidoso, Gateway Church of Christ, Angus Church of the Nazarene, Mescalero Reformed Church, the Mescalero Baptist Mission and Calvary Chapel of Ruidoso.

13 from area due tax refunds

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
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The Internal Revenue Service is looking for more than 670 New Mexicans - a lucky 13 from Lincoln County - whose federal refund checks were returned as undeliverable.

The checks total more than \$435,000, with the average refund about \$647. Refunds varying from \$1 to more than \$12,100 are waiting to be claimed, according to a spokesman for the Internal Revenue Service.

If someone believes he or she is due a refund and has not received it, call the IRS toll-free assistance number at 1-800-829-1040.

Refund checks don't reach the intended recipient for many reasons, the spokesman said. Most often, people move and the tax refunds come back to the IRS. Other undelivered refunds occur because taxpayers provide an incorrect address when they mail their return. Often, numbers are transposed or information is incomplete.

James Walsh, director of Area 6 field assistance, said an easy way to ensure a refund won't be lost or stolen is to opt for a direct deposit to a bank account.

Last year, more than 30 million taxpayers selected direct deposits into their bank accounts, up from 23.5 million the previous year, Walsh said.

A check of recipients listed by zip codes

shows that 13 people in the county are on the IRS list. Eleven in Ruidoso are Abram L. Beier, Courtney E. Belcher, Justin Jennings, Michael A. Olivares, Shara Gurule (listed twice), David R. and Cheryl Hale, Paula G. and Michele R. Lufkin (listed twice), Magana Heriberto, Robert V. and Mary Reinhart, Jason P. Rocha and Juan C. Warner (listed twice).

Listed from Ruidoso Downs are Don and Patricia Brandenburg and the late Edward A. Sanchez.

People who have moved since filing their last return should file Form 8022, "Change of Address," which is available by calling 1-800-829-3676 or by downloading it from the IRS Web site at www.irs.gov.

On the other side of the picture, the IRS is stepping up its collection efforts, according to a news release from the IRS office in Albuquerque.

Indicating that the IRS is settling claims for pennies on each dollar owed, it notes that during the last 90 days, many taxpayers received IRS notices regarding potential enforcement activity for all types of IRS problems.

Taxpayers can contact the IRS Solutions Office at 1-800-645-8228 to arrange a free consultation and discuss the latest and best solutions to their IRS problems. Office representative Margaret Linnell recently attended a seven-day seminar on the subject.

Interest rates to save village money

Village trustees were told reduced loan interest for the joint Ruidoso/Ruidoso Downs wastewater treatment plant will save the village some money.

Ruidoso Downs village clerk Gladys Dillard said the New Mexico Environment Department has reduced the

interest on the plant's Revolving Fund loan from a 4 percent interest rate to 2 percent.

Ruidoso Downs' share of the plant's operation and debt service is 15 percent.

Ruidoso's village council Tuesday approved the interest amending provision of the

loan. Ruidoso is the fiscal agent for the wastewater treatment plant that serves the two communities.

The 20-year-old loan, initiated in 1996, financed improvements that were made to the regional wastewater treatment facility.

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OUR OPINION

A turbulent season of discontent

New Mexico's political travail has been overshadowed in recent days by the Herculean struggle in Florida for 25 electoral votes and the presidency of this nation for the next four years. Nevertheless, we have had our own cliff-hanger. Our five electoral votes were Al Gore's on election night, then George W. Bush's for days, then Gore's again with the discovery of a clerical mistake in Dona Ana County worth 500 Democrat votes.

Many in Lincoln County no doubt were smugly patting themselves on the back during the hassle; no argument here about punched holes and pregnant chad; no clerical errors in this staid, Republican bastion.

Then last Sunday an order came down to impound Lincoln County's ballots — from a winning Republican district judge, at the behest of a losing Republican appeals court candidate who wanted the whole state locked down.

The county's Democratic party chairman cried foul; cried "presidential politics." The Republican chair surmised it did have something to do with the unresolved presidential race.

We say it has something to do with a season of discontent when nobody is willing to cry *enough, already!*



YOUR OPINION

The Palm Beach debacle

To the editor:
"Kill all the lawyers, kill them tonight..." (Get Over It, by The Eagles).

The good folks of Palm Beach County, Fla., decided to change the design of their ballot after the 1996 presidential election. This modification occurred because an estimated 15,000 ballots were not properly filled out, and not counted in the overall tally. It never became an issue because Bill Clinton handily carried the state against Republican presidential nominee Bob Dole.

A new ballot, one previously used in Florida and Cook County, Ill., was approved by the Palm County Election Board, and it is this so-called butterfly ballot that is at center of the controversy in this year's presidential election. Unfortunately, the election board forgot one thing: if you build a better ballot, you can always rely upon an even dumber voter who will find a way to screw up the system.

If Al Gore's minions of lawyers and supporters are to be believed, fewer than 5 percent of Palm Beach County vot-

ers might have voted for the wrong candidate or, having discovered their mistake, might have voted for the right candidate after voting for the wrong candidate. Arrows pointing to candidates confused some voters, and this, according to the Gore people, is reason enough to obfuscate the entire national electoral process.

To further confuse the issue, Jesse Jackson and his "rent-a-riot" descended on South Florida to claim civil rights violations, even though Jackson's son was elected to the House of Representatives by voters who used this same butterfly ballot. In addition, Bill Daley and Warren Christopher, Gore's hired guns deployed to Tallahassee, rejected last week's initial recount outright before it was even completed. A clear line was drawn in the sand, with the Gore partisans intimating anything short of victory would not be acceptable.

Americans have been treated (mistreated may be a better choice of words) to the sickening bellows and refrains of attorneys, political hacks and advisers. It seems like the root of the problem, that butterfly bal-

lot, has already been forgotten, a strategy that suits the Gore people just fine. Instead, we have focused on the next ruling, the next deadline and the next rebuttal. Suits have been filed in courts by both parties, and the right to vote has been prostituted for all citizens....

Any person with a scintilla of common sense should agree overseas ballots destined for Florida ought to determine this election, not the continuing litigation the Gore forces seem bound to pursue. Gore needs to realize that Americans are fed up with the litigious culture promoted by the Clinton administration. He is using the law in its littleness, not its grandeur.

It is conceivable that more voters in Florida intended to vote for Al Gore than for George W. Bush. It is conceivable the will of the majority of these voters is being denied an intended result. But it makes no sense to allow a different outcome because a small group of people did not apply an adequate amount of pressure to puncture the chads on these ballots.

Steve Brackett
Alamogordo

SOCIAL ISSUES

Americans do love their home life

*Here are the latest findings of The Shell Poll®, conducted periodically for the Shell Oil Company by Peter D. Hart Research Associates.

HOUSTON, Texas — Like the Cluevers, the Bradys and the Huxtables, today's families tend to spend a lot of time together, especially around the dinner table. According to the latest findings from The Shell Poll, 50 percent of Americans say they eat dinner at home with their family almost every night while an additional 18 percent of families eat together several times a week.

Not only are families breaking bread together; they are spending time together and appear to be happy doing so. Eighty-six percent of those polled are satisfied with their relationships with family members. Sixty-three percent are "totally satisfied." In this day and age with both parents working and kids glued to their PCs, a surprising one-fifth of respondents (19 percent) think that family ties are closer today than they were in their parents' day, compared to only 7 percent who felt this way in 1971 (Louis Harris and Associates).

Family relationships are just one of the topics covered in the seventh edition of The Shell Poll, an opinion survey conducted for Shell Oil company by Peter D. Hart Research Associates. More than 1,000

American adults were polled on a wide range of issues, including the Internet, friends in the workplace, holiday habits and knowing one's neighbors.

Among the highlights:
•Sixty-two percent of Americans say they spend most of their leisure time with their family rather than with friends. Not surprisingly, those age 35 to 49 — who are most likely to have children — are those most likely to spend a majority of their leisure time with family (68 percent). It is worthy to note that 58 percent of those age 18 to 34 also spend most of their leisure time with family versus friends (32 percent).

•The Internet is a standard tool in the workplace, but it's now playing a role in other arenas as well. Sixty percent of on-line Americans feel the Internet has helped bring people closer together and 55 percent say it has actually strengthened their relationships with family and friends.

Internet use is becoming as common for most Americans as turning on the television or microwave. Sixty-four percent of Web users said they use the Internet daily, with 34 percent using the Internet for a few hours every day and 30 percent using the Internet every day although not for very long. Though not surfing the Web to the same extent as younger Americans, nearly one-quarter of those age 65 and over (22 percent) use the Internet at home.

There has been much talk that e-mail is the communications medium of choice and The Shell Poll further supports this theory. Thirty-four percent of Americans exchange e-mail with friends at least "fairly often" and only 17 percent write letters to the same extent. Sixty-nine percent of frequent Internet users rely on e-mail to stay in touch with friends whereas only 62 percent use the telephone. Of seniors who use the Internet, 79 percent do so at least a few times a week.

•With the holiday season fast approaching, Americans are getting ready to travel, celebrate and shop. Three-quarters spend Thanksgiving, Christmas or Hanukkah with their immediate family and 70 percent say family time is the best thing about the holiday season. Almost half of employed respondents say they will be attending a holiday office party this year.

•Two-thirds of those polled (66 percent) say they are satisfied with their relationships with their neighbors and more than half (56 percent) say they know their neighbors fairly well.

The Midwest appears to be the friendliest area of the country, with 62 percent saying they know their neighbors well, compared to 60 percent of Southerners, 52 percent of Northeasterners and 49 percent of Westerners.

Seeking a good lunch

Our ongoing effort to find a good inexpensive lunch continues in Ruidoso, and we make no apologies; after all, everybody has to eat, and our town is much too spread out for everybody to go home for lunch, even if a just-released new survey (see below on this page) shows we Americans are devoted to home and the dinner table in the evening.

MOUNTAIN ASIDES



BY KEITH GREEN
RUIDOSO NEWS

We're not talking, here, about the great fare, not to say *haute cuisine*, available in some of our best, notable establishments. We're looking for the quick, \$5 sandwich or blue-plate special that keeps body and soul together and doesn't require a Tums chaser.

Great lunches are out there, you know, even if our personal No. 1 favorite, Steve's Kitchen, is no more.

Another Green, named Gael, has described wonderful restaurants in *New York* magazine for decades. This Green (not related) has a much humbler goal: To salute the places in Ruidoso and environs where a combination of good food, friendly service and reasonable prices make a lunch hour a delightful occasion.

We can't overlook the KFCs and Subways, Schlitzskys, McDonalds and Burger Kings; everybody expects the giants to do very well what they do. But seldom are they memorable (even if the folks at Ruidoso's KFC are about the friendliest anywhere).

We quickly tip our hats to the Lincoln County Grill, where Paul and Pat's Lincoln County breakfast burrito makes a brunch to remember. The Grill's barbecue brisket plate for under \$5 is a total bargain. (The Grill is close to the new Comfort Inn and may during the big seasons get crowded for breakfast.)

A bit west on Sudderth and across the street, Le Bistro turns out a quiche Lorraine at lunch time that would make any Frenchman smile.

And we've got high hopes for Shirley's Fast Food Diner (in the old Wanda's location on U. S. 70); Shirley Reynolds and family, and friends, have taken the skills they learned over the years at Tastee Freez and are serving up good simple food, fast. (But that's another column, sometime.)

We'd like to hear from you about your favorite under \$5 lunches in Ruidoso, and where you found them. Write us. Better yet, e-mail us at ruidosonews@zianet.com.

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Sheriff Sullivan dismisses opponent's barbs as 'sour grapes'

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Lincoln County Sheriff Tom Sullivan, re-elected to office earlier this month, calls recent criticism from one of his challengers "sour grapes."

But Libertarian Tby Seno, one of two candidates who ran against Sullivan in the general election, says he is just doing what every American should do, requiring elected officials to fulfill their legal duties.

According to state law, sheriffs are required to attend every district court session, every probate court session, every county commission meeting and trials or hearings before magistrates in felony cases where the arrest

"It's archaic and probably needs to be looked at again."

Tom Sullivan,
Lincoln County Sheriff

came through the sheriff's office. Friday during a commission meeting, Seno pointed out that Sullivan was missing.

"One of the sheriff's agents or the sheriff should be here," he said, accusing Sullivan of dereliction of duty. "He violated his oath of office."

Sullivan acknowledged the law exists, but pointed out it was passed in 1895 and speci-

fies that the sheriff will be paid fees for each of the sessions he attends and for many other duties.

"It was designed back then to provide a stipend for the sheriff, who didn't make much money," Sullivan said Wednesday.

"But sheriffs quit doing that years ago. We're also suppose to get \$1 for each subpoena we deliver, but we don't collect that."

"It's archaic and probably needs to be looked at again. I may bring it up at the prelegislative conference. I'm active in the sheriff's association and I don't know of any sheriff who follows that."

However, usually he either attends himself or sends one or two representatives from his office to commission meetings, Sullivan said.

"An old family friend died and I was attending her funeral Friday," Sullivan said.

"What I find interesting is that I physically have left meetings before, but he never complained, yet he does at the first meeting after the election. I think it's sour grapes," the sheriff said.

MAGISTRATE COURT

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

Paulo Martinez, 44, Ruidoso, through a plea agreement, was found guilty of two counts of driving with a revoked license and violating probation. Martinez, who had an earlier probation revoked, was ordered incarcerated until June 28, 2001, and assessed fines and court costs of \$418.

Benjamin M. Sanchez, 41, Albuquerque, pleaded no contest and was convicted of second offense driving while under the influence, driving with a revoked license and a lane violation. Sanchez was sentenced to seven days in the Lincoln County Detention Center, placed on probation for 361

days, ordered to perform 48 hours of community service and assessed fines and court costs adding up to \$1,077.

Ron M. Isenburg, 44, Roswell, pleaded no contest and was convicted of first offense DWI, driving without a valid driver's license, improper stopping on a roadway, having an open container in a vehicle and not having liability insurance. Isenburg received one day in jail, 179 days probation and was ordered to pay \$680 in fines and costs.

Christopher Cagle, 26, Lubbock, Texas, through a plea

agreement, was convicted of aggravated DWI-second offense, and driving while license revoked. Charges of felony DWI, a lane violation and careless driving were dismissed by the prosecutor. Cagle was sentenced to 14 days in jail, placed on probation until Nov. 3, 2002, required to perform 48 hours of community service and assessed \$1,038 in fines and costs.

Jay L. Chubb, 42, Ruidoso, through a plea agreement, was found guilty of third offense DWI and driving with a revoked license. Counts of felony DWI and a lane violation

were dismissed by the prosecutor. Chubb was sentenced to 37 days in jail, placed on probation until Nov. 5, 2002, ordered to serve 48 hours of community service and assessed \$1,288 in fines and costs.

Ruben Mendoza, 42, Capitán, through a plea agreement, was found guilty of second offense DWI. Charges of speeding and an insurance violation were dismissed by the prosecutor. Mendoza received a sentence of three days in jail, 364 days of probation; 48 hours community service and was required to pay \$699 in court costs and fines.

Downs wants bump gone

A show of hands indicated a majority of Ruidoso Downs residents at Monday's village council meeting want a DiPaolo Hill Street storm water diverting bump removed.

Some residents have complained that the so-called speed bump is a hazard, and repeated requests to eliminate the raised asphalt have gone unheard.

Mayor Bob Miller said the village did not design the water diverting bump, but the obstacle was the

New Mexico State Highway and Transportation Department's doings in connection with the U.S. Highway 70 reconstruction.

Miller said he has been talking with the state highway department to arrive at an alternative, but the process of talking with the state is slow.

Village attorney Dan Bryant said with government no job is started until the paperwork is done. He said the paperwork side of the initiative is underway.

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Alberta Gilmore Heard

Visitation for Alberta Gilmore Heard, 82, of Ruidoso Downs, will be from 1-3 p.m. Saturday at LaGrone Funeral Chapel of Ruidoso. Graveside services will be at 1:30 p.m. Monday at Fairview Cemetery in Midland, Texas, with the Rev. Wayne Joyce and Rev. Randy Widener officiating.

Mrs. Heard died Thursday, Nov. 16, 2000, in Ruidoso.

She was born May 14, 1918 in Fort Worth, Texas.

She lived in Midland from 1941 until 1951, in Odessa from 1951 until 1955, in McCombs from 1955 until 1965, in Monahans from 1965 until 1977 and moved to Ruidoso Downs full time in 1983.

In Texas, she was involved with the Women's Missionary Union and the Girl's Auxiliary. After moving to Ruidoso Downs, she was a member of the Ruidoso Baptist Church. She was a retired beautician.

She married Allen Heard on Aug. 1, 1937 in Midland, and he preceded her in death on Nov. 11, 1999.

Survivors include her children, Richard Allen Heard and his wife, Becky, of Belton, Texas, and Connie Sue McCasland and her husband, George, of Ruidoso Downs; a brother, Edward Gilmore of Dallas, Texas; a sister, Doris Anderson of Dallas, Texas; grandchildren Belinda Heard of Lubbock, Texas, James McCasland and his wife,

Dawn, of Ruidoso Downs, and John McCasland and his wife, Lucy, of Ruidoso; six grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family requests memorials to the Friends of Fairview Cemetery, P.O. Box 2134, Midland, Texas 79702.

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

James T. Edwards Jr.

Services for James Thomas "Jr" Edwards Jr., 76, were Thursday in Arlington, Texas.

Mr. Edwards died Monday, Nov. 13, 2000, in Abilene, Texas.

He was born Nov. 25, 1923 in Anson, Texas.

He was a retired aerospace supervisor.

Survivors include a daughter, Devonna Paul, and her husband, Morris, of Ruidoso; a brother, Edwin M. Edwards; a sister, Cora Stinnett; grandchildren Tifne Carter and Jeremy Paul; great-grandchildren Daniel Carter and Christopher Carter.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 49 years, Tammie Lou Edwards.

The family suggests memorials to Christian Services, Gateway Church of Christ, 415 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, NM 88345.

Arrangements are under the direction of Moore Funeral Home in Arlington, Texas, (817) 275-2711.

Consulting pact on hold

BY JAMES KALVELAGE
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A contract renewal with one of the village of Ruidoso's on-call engineering firms remains on hold over what some village advisers considered foggy compensation language.

Councilors Tuesday decided to have a tentative contract with International Consulting and Associates Ltd. of Rio Rancho reviewed by the village's legal council and staff.

Two weeks ago an amended one-year renewal agreement was adopted by the council, subject to a review and approval of the village's auditor. Councilor Bill Chance broke ranks with the other five council members in voting no for the approval on Oct. 31. Chance had urged termination of the contract with ICA and requesting proposals for on-call engineering services.

"The bottom line," said Lorri McKnight, the village's finance officer, "Ronnie (Hemphill, the village's auditor) recommended the council not approve the contract in its current form."

The sticking point had been the compensation method for paying ICA, McKnight said at Tuesday's meeting. The payment method had shown up in the past as an issue in the village's audits.

The amended contract sought to correct the problems

Hemphill had previously detected. Village manager Alan Briley said on Oct. 31 that the reworded section of the contract spelled out how the company would be paid, based on a negotiated lump sum, a fixed fee, hourly or a percentage of construction cost basis.

While new wording was hammered out in recent days with Hemphill's assistance, McKnight recommended the contract now be reviewed by the village's attorneys.

"I feel there is still a certain lack of clarity with the compensation clauses," said Charles Rennick, legal council for the village. "We need to further specify how compensation will take place."

Rennick said he would sit down with ICA and McKnight to deal further with the contract.

"Then we'll bring back to the council a document that the staff can say is a workable document," Rennick said.

Some council members said they wanted to see the proposed contract before the next meeting because of the ongoing changes.

While Tuesday's meeting focused on the contract, the Oct. 31 council meeting brought lengthy discussion on ICA, partly on the contract issue, and in larger part on the performance of past village projects involving the engineering firm and other consultants.

Police arrest suspect in Capitan burglary

State police arrested a suspect near Roswell believed to be connected to the theft of 10 guns from a residence near Capitan.

Brandon Brewer, 20, Artesia, has been charged with felony aggravated burglary, criminal damage to property, two counts of contributing to the delinquency of minors, four counts of conspiracy to commit criminal activity, and injury to a motor vehicle. Brewer made

an initial court appearance Wednesday in Lincoln County Magistrate Court in Ruidoso.

The defendant was ordered held at the Lincoln County Detention Center in lieu of a \$70,000 cash-only bond.

The weapons, nine rifles and a handgun, were reported taken from a ranch south of Capitan on Nov. 5, according to Lincoln County Sheriff's Department records. A storage building

had been broken into and the weapons reported missing to sheriff's deputies.

Several juveniles were allegedly with Brewer at the time of the reported break-in.

When Brewer was stopped by police in Chaves County, a number of guns similar to those missing from the Lincoln County home were found in the vehicle he was driving, said Ricky Virden, Lincoln County undersheriff.

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•6 p.m., Ruidoso Sports Advisory Council, Ruidoso Parks and Recreation office.
•6:30 p.m., Ruidoso ETZ Commission, Ruidoso village hall.

Tuesday, Nov. 21

•2 p.m., Ruidoso Planning and Zoning Commission, Ruidoso village hall.
•2 p.m., Lincoln County

Solid Waste Authority, LCSWA offices.

•6:30 p.m., Ruidoso Downs Planning and Zoning Committee, Ruidoso Downs village hall.

Ruidoso's Parks and Recreation office is located at 801 Resort Drive.

Ruidoso village hall is at 313 Cree Meadows Drive.

The LCSWA offices are at the corner of Second Avenue and Entrance Road, Ruidoso Downs.

Ruidoso Downs village hall is at 122 Downs Drive.

Defense lawyer wins delay in murder trial

Change of venue motion still under consideration in case of slain Allsup's clerk

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The defense attorney in the murder trial of Johnny Ray Gutierrez was granted a continuance this week by 12th Judicial District Judge Karen Parsons.

But a motion to change the location of the trial by attorney Gary Mitchell still is under consideration, according to a court spokesman in Carrizozo.

Gutierrez was tried for murder and armed robbery in early July for the stabbing death of Allsup's clerk John Diebler, Aug. 29, 1998. But the jury failed to reach a unanimous verdict.

Jurors deadlocked 10 for

and two against acquittal on murder and eight for and four against acquittal on the robbery charge, according to those contacted after the trial.

District Attorney Scot Key didn't wait long before announcing that Gutierrez would be retried on the charges. The trial was scheduled for the week of Dec. 4, but will be reset for the first quarter of next year, a court spokesman said.

A former Allsup's employee, Gutierrez, 40, has three prior felony convictions. He's accused of stabbing Diebler 27 times, and then robbing the store in the early morning hours after a night of drinking and drugs.

During his trial, Gutierrez contended he stayed behind at a friend's house with his sleeping son while others at the party left. Mitchell questioned witnesses' descriptions, pointing out some didn't match what Gutierrez was wearing or facial marks.

Jurors said doubt was planted that a second man at the party could have committed the crime. That man never testified at the trial. Another trio of people also were reported in the store around the time of the murder.

But Key tied his case to Gutierrez' actions after the crime, driving to Albuquerque with a woman friend where

they looked for drugs and where he unexpectedly had plenty of money. They also drank beer with friends, the same brand taken from the Allsup's store.

Key presented testimony from Gutierrez' woman friend, who tied him to the store, but she insisted she never saw blood and was unaware Diebler lay dead in the bathroom. Jurors said they weren't convinced she was truthful.

No fingerprints were found in the store, although one witness testified he saw a man he identified as Gutierrez standing behind the cash register and later blocking the store door to prevent his entry.

On the way to today

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1933 - The movie "The Invisible Man" opened to audi-

ences. Actor Claude Rains made his film debut in it.

1950 - Roberta Peters filled in for the lead in Mozart's "Don Giovanni," making her debut at the Metropolitan Opera in New York City. She became one of the Met's most famous stars.

1981 - Luke Spencer married Laura Baldwin in what was called "the wedding of the year" on the TV serial, "General Hospital." An audience of 14 million watched as vows were exchanged on the program.

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School board advances playground plan

BY SANDY SUGGITT
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The Ruidoso School Board took the next step toward a community-built playground at the White Mountain Recreational Complex.

At the school board meeting Tuesday, Ellen Bizzell, Parks and Recreation supervisor, presented a joint-powers agreement between the village of Ruidoso and the Ruidoso Municipal School District for an interpretive playground funded by a \$150,000 grant from the State of New Mexico.

The school board approved the joint-powers agreement subject to an amendment including approval of the plan and construction by the school board as well as by the village council.

Bizzell said the project is "a design-built project," or one in which one firm would be responsible for the entire project and the labor would be done by volunteers. The monies were allocated first for a recreation center, Bizzell said, and when that was voted down, the Parks and Recreation Department came up with this concept.

Firms bidding will "show us everything they can do," Bizzell said. "They would show us the design and any equipment and show us how to set it up and we are going to pick one from a set of criteria questions that haven't been developed yet."

Open meetings will be held to find out what children and parents want in the playground, she said.

Fine arts

The school board sent architect Scott

Stafford from Greer Stafford in Albuquerque back to the drawing board to come up with some "footprint" drawings of the proposed fine arts facility at the high school, showing how it would fit in the slope of the building site.

Stafford showed the board members two of seven blueprints for a fine arts facility to be built onto the existing fine arts building at the high school.

Option 2 provides 358 seats and Option 6, 388 seats.

"A drawback (of Option 6)," Gladden said, "is that it extends into Forest Service property." He said he talked with Forest Service personnel and the next step is to get the project placed on the site plan for the Forest Service for the school district to purchase the 1.2 acres.

The estimated cost of this option is \$1.38 million, and \$1.33 million for Option 2. Both estimates are more than the \$1 million set aside from the last bond issue for this project, Gladden said.

The Fine Arts Committee, composed of the directors of band, choir, drama and art, the high school principal and activities director and a parent representative, chose these two options at a meeting earlier in the day. Last February, the committee asked for an auditorium that would seat 500, expandable to seat 200-300 more later.

During a discussion period, Sam Swearingin and Bruce Eldridge told the school board they had come to the board meeting to offer to help raise more money from charitable and legislative sources so the facility could be built with more seats. Swearingin said he could get back to the board within the next 30-60 days.

Election proclamation

The school board approved the election proclamation for two four-year terms to begin March 1, 2001: position 4, that of James Paxton, and position 5, that of Jackie Branum. The regular school district election will be from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Feb. 6, 2001, at the Ruidoso Convention Center.

Those wishing to run in the election must file declarations of candidacy and a sworn statement of intent with the county clerk in Carrizozo between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Dec. 19. Write-in candidates' declarations of intent must be filed before 5 p.m., Jan 2.

Enrollment update

Superintendent Mike Gladden told the school board that enrollment on the 40th day of school is down 79 students from last year's 40th day. The State Department of Education used to base funding for the current year on 40th day enrollment. This year, the SDE changed the basis for funding for the following year to the average of enrollments for the 40th, 80th and 120th days of school.

By these criteria, Ruidoso's enrollment is down 52 students from last year's average, Gladden said.

Gladden also informed the board that student mobility is at 30 percent, with 331 students that did not return to school and 425 students new to the district, out of a total of 2,495 students enrolled in kindergarten through 12th grade as of Nov. 14.

The next meeting of the Ruidoso Board of Education is at 7 p.m., Dec. 12 in the Central Administration Office.

Counting their blessings



Volunteers for Public Schools man the serving line at White Mountain Elementary Thursday to serve Thanksgiving dinners to more than 400 parents who came to celebrate the holiday and eat with their children. Serving at left is Lisa Mulray.

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Horse complex gets boost from bond issue

A proposed horse teaching center and equestrian arena at New Mexico State University will get \$500,000 toward construction costs from the passage of Bond Issue B in last week's general election, according to a news release from the university.

Project plans include a building with a classroom, tack room, lockers and office plus an arena for riding events.

Costs for various options range from \$2 million to more than \$4 million, depending on the area configuration. Options range from an improved open arena to a fully enclosed, climate-controlled arena with 1,000 spectator seats and a concession stand.

The site is on the southeast side of the university campus.

Proceeds from the state bonds will be added to \$100,000 from severance

taxes awarded to the project in the last legislative session and approximately \$30,000 in private funding, the university said.

The school's Western equestrian team won national championships in 1995 and 1998 and was runner-up in 1997.

The university competes in the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association with more than 280 other colleges.

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Ski report

Ski Apache
Ski Apache will open Saturday.
New Snow Past 24 hours: 0
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New Snow Past Week: 4 in.
Weather: High clouds
Road conditions: Mostly clear
Midway depth: 26-48 in.
Surface conditions: Packed powder
Skiing conditions: Good
Trails open: 40 of 55
Lifts open: 9 of 11
Trails groomed this morning: 20 of 40
Snowmaking past 24 hours: Yes
Tomorrow's forecast: Mostly clear
Additional Info: Value Season Pricing in effect: \$29 Adult Lift Tickets and \$19 Child Lift Tickets for sale Nov. 18 - Nov. 22 and Nov. 26 - Dec. 15. Reduced pricing on 3 day tickets too.
Visit the Ski Apache web site at www.skiapache.com.

Preps on tap

Saturday, Nov. 18
Boys basketball
Captain/Carrizozo scrimmage vs. Hondo, Loving, Tatum, Estancia; 9 a.m. at Carrizozo; 9:30 a.m. at Captain
Monday, Nov. 20
Girls basketball
Ruidoso at Cloudcroft (V-JV), 4 p.m.
Tuesday, Nov. 21
Girls basketball
Hondo at home vs. Carrizozo, 5 p.m.
Boys basketball
Hondo at home vs. Carrizozo, 7 p.m.

Pecking order

Team	W	L	Pct.
All Around	3	1	.750
Aramark	3	1	.750
Eckos	3	1	.750
Tequila Slammers	2	1	.666
It's All Good	2	2	.500
County Cons	3	2	.600
P-Funk All Stars	2	3	.400
Alamo Pipe	2	3	.400
Big O Tires	0	4	.000
Mescalero Express	0	3	.000

Results for Nov. 14
Not available
Games for Nov. 21
6:30 p.m. — Alamo Pipe vs. Mescalero Express
7:30 p.m. — Aramark vs. Tequila Slammers
8:30 p.m. — County Cons vs. It's All Good

Fishing report

For fly fishing —
RIO RUIDOSO: The snow this past week was great. A slow runoff has helped raise the flow rates on the river at tad. As stated last week, the browns are beginning their annual spawn. The spawn should last well into December. So if you catch a brown, please return it unharmed to the water. The New Mexico Game and Fish Department has recently stocked the river so you should find a good number of rainbows about. The best subsurface fly selections remain the bead head pheasant tail nymphs or bead head prince nymphs. If you find surface feeding fish during a dreary overcast day, tie on a small BWO for that is more than likely what will be hatching.
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 Wulfs or Yellow Humplres are still 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. One lucky angler tied into a 19-inch rainbow this past week. He released it to grow and have babies. Remember Bonito will close December 1.
GRINDSTONE LAKE: Late afternoon and early evening fishing will still produce the best fishing here. Bead head flash-a-bugger and small rainbow or brown trout streamers continue to be effective near dark. Most subsurface flies should be fished quite deep with a sinking tip line. Bubble rig and propeller flies will do well for the spin caster fisherman. Renegade, black and olive propeller flies have been working well. Remember to squeeze the hook barbs 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, Hendricksons, Wulf patterns, Humplre's and Parachute Adams. Bead head brown and black woolly flash-a-buggers have been productive. Place a dropper fly behind you 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.
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Bait Fishing
BONITO LAKE: Fishing is slow on powerbait and Panther Martin lures and Kastmasters. Remember Bonito will close December 1.
GRINDSTONE LAKE: Fishing is slow on powerbait and Panther Martin lures and Kastmasters.

Hoops Time



Ready or not, basketball season is here. Junior Carrie Line fights for the ball during a Tuesday scrimmage against Alamogordo and Tularosa. Friday, Warrior Madness kicks off at 5:30 p.m. in the Ruidoso High School Gym. The intersquad scrimmage will give local fans a preseason chance to check out their favorite Warrior teams, both boys and girls. The scrimmage kicks off with action by the junior varsity girls followed by the C-team boys, JV boys, varsity girls and varsity boys. Each scrimmage will last 10 minutes. Admission is \$1 per person for the scrimmage, or \$2 per person including refreshments. Door prizes will be awarded.

Special Olympians set for hoops tourney

For the fourth consecutive year, Ruidoso will play host to more than 200 Special Olympians, who will "shoot the hoops" at the 2000 Special Olympics New Mexico State Basketball Tournament. Today and Saturday, Special Olympics athletes from across the state will meet at Ruidoso High School to compete in four basketball events: five-on-five team competition, three-on-three team competition, individual skills and the 10-meter speed dribble. In addition to volunteer coaches, more than 100 volunteers will lend a helping

hand by officiating, keeping score, feeding the athletes and cheering them on to victory. The event is free and open to the public. Opening ceremonies will be held at the Ruidoso Convention Center at 6:30 tonight. Divisioning rounds will run from 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. at the high school. Competition resumes at the high school Saturday from 8:30 a.m. until 4 p.m., followed by an awards banquet and victory dance at the Convention Center at 6 p.m.

Lady Warriors ready to surprise the competition

Several expected returners are also visibly absent, including 6-2 senior Amanda Fleck. But with four returning seniors — Crystal Rojas, Mindy Brunell, Justyn Vogel and Kammi Sparks; returning junior Carrie Line; sophomores Megan Gabaldon and Jenna Carrasco and freshmen Dusti Franklin and Clarissa Silva — Ronquillo said he has a solid core that wants to be successful. "These girls are physically ready and they want it bad," he said. "You would not believe how hard these girls are working. The effort is there. These girls have decided to commit to this program and that's what we need. We need girls who are going to commit to this program to make it successful." The physical readiness showed Tuesday, as the team hustled up and down the court. Ronquillo said that's exactly what he's looking for. "We'll put a lot of pressure on the ball, then get up and down the floor and maybe get some easy buckets," he said. "We're going to push the ball. Play an exciting style of basketball." With the loss of Fleck, the Warriors aren't tall. Vogel and Sparks top out at 5-11; everyone else is shorter. But Ronquillo said the team makes up for the lack of height with speed, and even Vogel and Sparks can run.

Once again, the Lady Warrior basketball team is opening its season with a new coach — the fourth in five years — and less-than-high expectations from the basketball community. But new head coach Albert Ronquillo is hoping that will work in the team's favor. "Nobody's expecting anything from Ruidoso, and I'm hoping and I'm glad that's the case so we can surprise some people," he said. An early look at the Warriors shows they just might do that. At a scrimmage Tuesday against Tularosa and Alamogordo, Ruidoso won three of the four short matches it played, with the only loss a very close miss to AAAAA Alamogordo. Ronquillo was pleased with the early-season effort. "Our execution on offense wasn't what I expected, but that's going to take a while," the coach said. "It's a completely new offense for these girls, so it's going to take a while. Our press worked well. There's some stuff we have to work on there also, but it's a good start." Besides the new coach, the team has a somewhat new look on the floor. Gone are graduates Elena Aguilar, Sarah Fromknecht and Billie Maldonado from last year's 7-14, 4-4 team.



The Lady Warriors are hoping to surprise their competition with speed and solid shooting.

He said Ruidoso will put pressure on everyone it faces, and the Warriors also look like they can shoot. While Ronquillo said the team's shooting is "coming along," Tuesday's scrimmage showed Ruidoso can put the ball in the bucket from both near and far. "We're looking to score however it comes," Ronquillo said. "Off the press. If it comes off our offense. If it comes off the fast break."

Ski Apache set to open

BY KAREN BOEHLER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Skiers looking to get an early jump on the season should be at Ski Apache Saturday morning, when the resort becomes the first in the state to open this season. "We're excited," said Ski Apache spokesman Riker Davis. "We're anticipating a great season ahead. We're very pleased to be able to open the mountain early with skiing to the top of the mountain." Unlike last year, when the top of the mountain never opened and the season was limited throughout the season, this year's snow is deep and plentiful. Forty of 55 trails are expected to be open, with nine of 11 lifts, including the Gondola, in operation. The only terrain not open will be Apache Bowl, the Elk Chair 8 complex of trails, Incredible, the Gondola and Lincoln lift lines and the Trench. Only chairs six and eight will not be running Saturday. At press time, Davis said the packed base varied from 26 to 48 inches, with conditions expected to be good on packed powder. Snowmaking conditions are continuing to add to those figures, and a predicted storm for Saturday could add even more white stuff to the

mountain. Resort employees have been working hard to get everything up and running for Saturday's opening, and Davis said he's expecting a good crowd. "I don't know whether a good crowd is going to be 1,000 or 3,000, but I expect somewhere in between," he said. The early opening also features discount pricing. What the resort calls Value Season Pricing will be in effect Nov. 18-Nov. 22 and Nov. 26-Dec. 15. Tickets will cost \$29 for adults and \$19 for children, reduced pricing on three-day tickets as well. While Ski Apache is the earliest resort in the state to open, it's not the only one jumping the gun on the traditional Thanksgiving Day opening. Taos Ski Valley and Ski Santa Fe will open Wednesday. Red River, which had plans to open in early December, will open Thanksgiving Day and Angel Fire will open Friday. In Colorado, Wolf Creek has been open since Oct. 28, Telluride opens Tuesday, and the Durango Mountain Resort (formerly Purgatory) opens Wednesday. For cross country fans, the Enchanted Forest ski area near Red River has been open since Nov. 11.

Lady Warrior soccer wraps up inaugural season

BY KAREN BOEHLER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

The first-ever Lady Warrior soccer team wrapped up its season with a less-than-stellar 4-13-1 record, but coach Sigurd Schmitz was not unhappy with how the junior varsity squad performed. "Our record was good," he said. "It was losing, but for a first-year team, as close as we came to some of those other teams — we were within one or two goals of the big schools that don't have an opportunity to play year round." The Warriors started the season with very little experience — Schmitz said 60 percent of the team had played soccer when they were young — then quit for a few years. The rest — except for two who played all their lives — had never played before. "I think they improved a lot," Schmitz said. "At the beginning of the year we probably controlled the ball maybe 35 percent of the time. At the end we were doing 50-60 percent, depending on who we played. I

think we've gotten stronger. We shoot better and I think we pass better." The junior varsity squad played JV teams from AAAAA schools Las Cruces, Mayfield, Alamogordo and Clovis and AAAA Artesia, Los Lunas and Belen, and varsity teams from Socorro, Santa Teresa and Las Vegas Robertson. Schmitz said the outcome against schools such as Socorro would have been different had they played them again later in the season. "If they'd have played us at the end of the year, they might have beat us 3 or 4 to nothing," he said. "We would have given them a much better game." Next season, the Warriors will play as a varsity squad, and while a berth at state is guaranteed (there are only two teams in District 4A-AAA), Schmitz said his team should be able to play with just about anyone.

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"I think we'll be able to take any AAA team in the state next year, minus the private schools," he said.

The difference between the strong private schools — such as Hope, Sandia Prep, Menaul and St. Michael's — and the public schools is that they have a continuing core of juniors and seniors coming through the program. Schmitz would like to see that happen at Ruidoso.

"If we're going to compete with the private schools, we're going to have to have all junior and seniors," he said. "Next year we're not going to have all junior and seniors. Those girls are going to have to play as hard as they can and we're going to do the best we can at state."

Looking even farther ahead, Schmitz is hoping to keep the players he's got now and build a solid foundation of younger players.

"We're going to be a good team," he said. "Next year is going to be our second year. We're still going to be a learning team, but in two years, we're going to be somebody to compete with."

"If I can just keep those younger kids coming up, they're going to be a force to reckon with."



Courtesy Ruidoso Middle School Blue teams members are, from left, back: coaches Billy Page, Cok Harrison, Borde Williams, Herman Fox. Second row: David Barnett, Jared Storey, Cory Welborn, Adam Gallardo, Austin Kirk, Bret Nichols. Third row: Joey Garcia, Brian Chavez, Francisco Sandoval, Sean Rankin, Chris Mendoza, Donell McFadden, Starnes Revely, Jacob Henson. Second row: Victor Lara, Tyler Brunetta, Chris Nolan, Tommie Armstrong, Tres Lopez, Sam Lundquist, Brian Leadingham, Bronson Riser. Front: Andrew Ramirez, Fred Walker, Joseph Romo, Jaime Valenzuela, Felipe Montes, Julian Wheeler, Greg Crow, Justin Padilla and Sergio Castanon.

Braves set football foundation

The Ruidoso Middle School Brave White football team really came together this season and set the foundation for football in the years to come, said coach Borde Williams.

The White team learned the basic fundamentals of football and the expectations of their coaches for the upcoming season.

With each practice, scrimmage and game, the White team developed good habits and techniques which will allow them to become a very successful group, Williams said.

The coach said he is really looking forward to the next season to see how well this group improves and matures over the course of the year.

WARRIORS: Ladies working hard in preseason

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"Hopefully we'll get to the point where we're consistent shooters and teams will have to come out and play us man-to-man. That's what I'm hoping for."

With eight or nine starters and two or three junior varsity/varsity players, the Warriors aren't big numberwise. But Ronquillo said that's fine with him.

"That's a good number where they're all going to get some good playing time," he said. "Any more, a couple of them probably wouldn't be getting as much playing time as they'd like, and we could see problems there. But with the numbers we have, they're all going to get some good playing time."

And everyone is going to play, the coach said, with no star hogging the spotlight.

"We have no one player we're looking to score," Ronquillo said. "Everybody's going to have to contribute."

Especially during district.

While the Warriors have left the frying pan of District 3AAA — headed by Ronquillo's old team, Silver — they've been put in the fire of District 4AAA, with Portales and Lovington both expected to be state contenders.

"We're going to have to work hard and we're going to have to improve from where we're at right now to be able to compete with our district," Ronquillo said. "I'm happy with the progress we've made, but we need to make more so we can compete in that district."

The Warriors will get ready for district play — which also includes Santa Teresa — with a solid preseason.

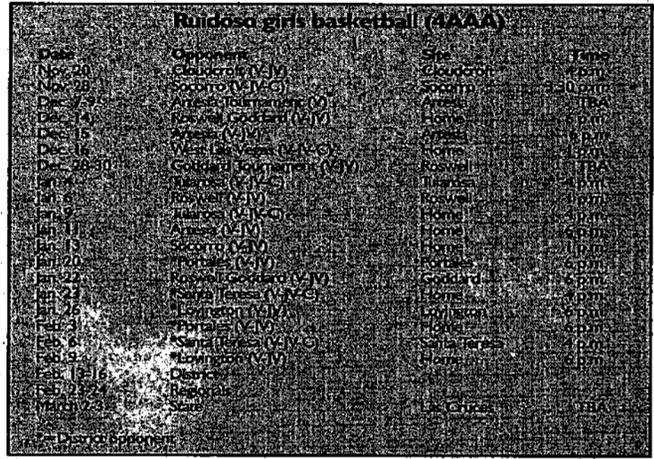
"It's a real good one," Ronquillo laughed. "We have a tough preseason schedule, which is only going to make us better."

The Warriors open with Cloudercroft Monday, but after the one small-school match, Ruidoso will face top AAA and AAAA teams.

"If we see we can play with these big teams, that will give us a lot of confidence, and I think right now these girls are beginning to believe they can play with anybody," the coach said. "We're beginning to believe that."

He would like the community to believe as well, and give his squad the support he feels they merit.

"That's something I want to urge," Ronquillo said. "That the community comes out and supports these girls. They are working extremely hard in practice, and they deserve for people to be here and support them."



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Smoke jumpers on fire prevention duty in Lincoln County

Smoke jumpers, who usually arrive at inaccessible fires by parachute, are working in Lincoln County this month to prevent the next fire.

The highly trained, physically tough fire fighters are clearing vegetation around the historic settlement of Lincoln and Fort Stanton, said Jim Desmond, fire management officer for the Bureau of Land Management. Left in place, the vegetation could become fuel for a wild fire.

"This is their off season," Desmond explained, "They're available to help us with this project."

The project really is a series of

"Our projects near Lincoln and Fort Stanton focus on cutting the excess brush or trees and then, either piling the debris for burning later or chipping the debris."

Jim Desmond, BLM fire management officer

projects around the two historic sites and are designed to reduce the threat of wild fire by reducing the amount of brush and small trees that could burn. Even if a fire starts, less fuel lowers the intensity of a fire, Desmond pointed out.

"Less intense fires are much easier to fight than fires with the intensity we had to fight last summer in New Mexico and throughout the West," he said.

Based in Boise, Idaho, smoke jumpers Shannon Orr, Tim Schaffer,

Dawson Kelsey, Mark Motes, Dennis Terry and Lee Rickard will live at Fort Stanton and will work until the end of November.

After a break for the Thanksgiving holiday, another crew of smoke jumpers will travel to the county to continue the work.

The fire season of 2000 was one of the busiest on record, Desmond said. Through Nov. 13, a total of 90,482 fire burned 7.26 million acres. That compares with the 10-year average of 106,306 fires and 3.65 million acres.

The heavy fire season caused

BLM and other federal agencies to reevaluate their fire fighting priorities, Desmond said.

The emphasis this year is on reducing the amount of vegetation available to burn either through mechanical means using chain saws and heavy machinery or by controlled burns.

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Herb Brunell is one funny guy who tells great stories.

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Whatever subject is in your photograph, fill up the camera lens with it.

"There's no sense in putting a telephone pole in the background when the telephone pole has nothing to do with the picture," he said.

Herb suggests that once you have the subject within the lens, take three giant steps forward. Now, shoot, but with a soft hand.

"Don't shake the camera," Herb said. "Put your elbows in your gut, keep your finger away from the front of the lens and slowly push the trigger."

For more how-to photo advice, whether you need it or not, head over to the Ruidoso Convention Center on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Herb and his buddies with the Photographic Society of Lincoln County are conducting a swap meet featuring classic and still-useful camera equipment. Telephone 258-4003 for details.

• Sarah Maze smells better than ever. It's because her business is soap. In fact, she has become so successful at selling soap at her store in downtown Ruidoso that she has opened up another Art of the Bath Shop in Sedona, Ariz.

"Sedona is an out-of-the-way resort, just like Ruidoso," Sarah said. "We just opened the shop, and so far it's done very well."

Sarah says she'll split her time right now between Ruidoso and Sedona. You can drop her a line at www.art-of-the-bath.com.

• Ski Apache hasn't opened this early since Richard Nixon occupied the White House in 1972.

"Our phones have been ringing off the hook," Riker Davis said. He is spokesman for the ski slope, which opens for the season tomorrow morning at 8:45 a.m.

Workers have been busy shoveling snow, putting the seat pads on the lifts and putting nacho cheese in the concession stands.

"We're ready to say, 'Can I help you?' in the morning," Riker said.

It is the first time in as many years that Ski Apache is the first slope to open in New Mexico, beating the north by a week.

An adult lift ticket is only \$29 through December 15, excluding the Thanksgiving holiday weekend. For more information, telephone 257-9001, or www.skiapache.com.

• If you love picking the horses, this is the weekend to be at Ruidoso Downs Race Track.

The track is hosting a handicapping contest that could eventually lead to a quarter-million dollar jackpot prize in Las Vegas, Nevada.

"The winner of the contest wins \$250 and a free trip to Las Vegas to compete in the national finals," Fritz Widaman said. He is marketing director for the race track.

The contest costs \$25 to enter and is held over Saturday and Sunday using several race tracks that are being simulcasted to Ruidoso Downs. For more information, telephone 378-4431.

Altrusa Club to sell chances on Christmas decorations

The Altrusa Club of Ruidoso will hold a drawing for three decorated "pinecone Christmas trees" for its community service project.

Tickets for \$5 each will be available between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Nov. 21 at the Chamber of Commerce office.

Also featured during the ticket sale will be the club's "Homemade Holiday Bake Sale."

The drawing for the trees will be Dec. 5.

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Two Lincoln County residents to be honored

Organization's first Milagro Awards to recognize couple's lifelong commitment to animal rights

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Two Lincoln County residents are being honored Saturday for their lifelong commitment to animal rights by Animal Protection of New Mexico Inc.

Robert "Skip" Trimble and his wife, Mary Trimble, who are strong supporters of the Humane Society of Lincoln County, will receive the Board of Directors Award during the first Milagro Awards dinner in Santa Fe.

Andrea Garcia of the San Juan Pueblo designed the award, a silver medallion. Milagro Awards recognize individual and collaborative acts of humane integrity, according to organization spokesman Harri-

ette Roller.

The Trimbles, who own the Coe Ranch in Glencoe, were selected for their service on the Animal League Defense Fund Board of Directors, collaboration with the Animal Protection Institute to establish the San Antonio Snow Monkey Sanctuary and establishing APNM's Companion Animal Rescue Effort (CARE) that provides foster care for animal victims of domestic violence.

Other awards will be:

- The Advocacy Award to U.S. Rep. Tom Udall (R-NM) for his sponsorship of The Chimp Act and his votes to restrict the use of cruel

steel leg hold traps, to limit funding of an international tuna fishing convention that allows dolphin-deadly nets, to make crush videos illegal, to humane euthanize downed animals and to ban the import of products made from dog and cat fur.

- The Animal Award for exceptional animal courage or intelligence to Duchess, a female boxer who rescued and fostered four orphaned kittens and a prairie dog.

- The Direct Animal Services Award to the Santa Fe Animal Shelter and Humane Society for exposing the plight of abandoned animals and/or assisting animal

victims of disasters in connection with its efforts to rescue more than 700 animal victims of the New Mexico forest fires.

- The Executive Director's Award to State Sen. Mary Jane Garcia and State Rep. David Pederson for passing state legislation making extreme animal cruelty a felony offense.

- The Humane Education Award to State Land Commissioner Ray Powell Jr., a veterinarian, for educating residents about the link between animal abuse and human violence, working to increase animal cruelty penalties and creating tailgate classrooms

and conservation education programs.

- Media Award to columnist Wes Smalling of the Santa Fe New Mexican for his coverage of cougar and wolf issues.

- Youth Awards to Wild Friends, elementary, middle and high school New Mexico students who since 1991 have written legislation, testified in legislative and public hearings and conducted wildlife summits.

APNM is a 21-year-old, statewide non-profit organization that advocates the rights of all animals by affecting systemic change for their humane treatment.

Law cracks down on fake Indian art

A new federal law is designed to improve the possibilities for prosecuting those who fraudulently peddle American Indian arts and crafts as authentic.

U.S. Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., a Senate Indian Affairs Committee member and co-sponsor of the bill, said the president last week signed into law the Indian Arts and Crafts Enforcement Act of 2000.

The bill, authored by Sen. Ben Nighthorse Campbell, R-Colo., makes it easier for Indian artisans to stop fraudulent representation of their work.

"The one-of-a-kind Indian arts and crafts at Old Town Albuquerque, the Indian Market, the Palace of the Governors and all over the state are just a few of the reasons tourists flock to New Mexico,"

"... fake pieces have been slipped into markets and stores, and passed off as the real thing."

U.S. Sen. Pete Domenici,
New Mexico Republican

Domenici said, "But fake pieces have been slipped into markets and stores, and passed off as the real thing. This not only cheats the buyer, but the legitimate Indian artisans that rely on the sale of their goods for their livelihood."

Domenici was the primary force behind the provision in the 1988 law requiring that Native American-style jewelry must be indelibly marked with the country of origin by cutting, die-sinking, engraving, stamping or some other permanent method.

The goal of this new law is

to improve chances of prosecution, and allow a longer reach beyond the retailer to the wholesaler and/or manufacturer. Many times, Domenici said, the retailer is also taken in by the fraud. Rather than allowing only tribes to sue, the bill allows Indian arts and crafts organizations and individual Indians to sue for violations of the law.

Current law has stiff penalties of \$250,000 in fines and five years in prison for the first offense; \$1 million and 15 years for the second infraction. Fines for corporations can reach \$5

million. No federal agency has yet successfully prosecuted any offender for a criminal violation of the laws that protect authentic Indian arts and crafts. Domenici said fraudulent items can cost as little as 10 percent of the original to make. This huge price difference is an extra profit for the seller and a fraudulent and illegal sale to the consumer.

The New Mexico Department of Indian Affairs estimates that profits to Indians in the state are down 40 percent.

It is now estimated that 40-50 percent of Indian arts and crafts items on sale today in America are actually copies of authentic items, many of which are made in Pakistan, Mexico, Taiwan, the Philippines or China. Copies are not illegal, but they must be represented as imitation or fake.

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Ski slopes get finishing touches



Ski Apache workers head up the trail, above, on the way to a job at a chair lift farther up the mountain. Rooney Lopez, right, shovels snow at the bottom of Chair 2 while Junior Peña watches. Workers have been keeping busy getting ready for Saturday's early opening.

Karen Boehler/Ruidoso News



Sheriff's Department investigates burglaries and stolen vehicle case

The Lincoln County Sheriff's Department is investigating several burglaries.

A Gavilan Canyon Road seasonal residence was broken into sometime during September or October.

The absentee owner told deputies that the theft of a VCR and a cooking grill was discovered on Nov. 12.

The department was informed Nov. 13 of a theft of tools from a location in the Ranches of Sonterra.

A seasonal trailer at the Rocky Mobile Home and RV Park, east of Ruidoso Downs, was broken into over the past weekend, according to the sheriff's office.

A semi automatic pistol was reported stolen from the trailer.

Law enforcers are looking for a vehicle reported stolen from the Little Creek RV Park in Alto. The sheriff's department was notified of the stolen vehicle on Nov. 14.

Village buys two new police cars

The Ruidoso Downs village council accepted a bid from Sierra Blanca Motors Co., Ruidoso, for the purchase of two 2001 Dodge Durangos to replace police vehicles.

Two auto dealers had returned bids for the sport utility vehicles, though one of the

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The Durangos will cost \$28,377 each.

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Take care with holiday spending, group warns

Americans plan to spend 45 percent more on holiday shopping than they did last year, according to the Second Annual Holiday Survey by Myvesta.org, formerly Debt Counselors of America. The average holiday shopper will spend \$1,220 in 2000, up from \$841 in 1999. One in 10 shoppers will spend more than \$1,500.

In addition, Americans' credit card balances have increased by 60 percent.

Myvesta.org's nationwide telephone survey asked 1,000 respondents how much debt they carry on all of their credit cards, including major bank, retail, gas and other cards. Americans' average credit card debt increased from \$1,751 in 1999 to \$2,814 in 2000.

"People's appetite for credit made a big leap forward in the past year," said Mike Kidwell, vice president and co-founder of the nonprofit Myvesta.org. "It's not surprising after another year of economic enthusiasm. Until we experience a major economic downturn, people will continue to push their credit limits to the sky."

Kidwell added, "If consumers use their credit cards to pay for those holiday purchases, the average total credit card debt in January will jump to more than \$4,000."

Assuming that people make only the 2 percent minimum payment, it will take 38 years to pay off the debt and the interest payments will top \$9,000."

"The holiday lesson is clear," Kidwell said. "Charge only what you can pay back in three months or less." By repaying the \$4,000 debt in three months, the person would pay only about \$120 in total interest.

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Cloudcroft ranks on magazine's Top 10 'overlooked' places list

Fodor's Travel Publications has listed Cloudcroft as one of the Top 10 most overlooked winter destinations in the world.

The announcement came this week as part of the first Fodor's Choice Destination Awards, which arrived at 10 little-known winter vacation spots after "sifting through hundreds of candidates."

In addition to Cloudcroft, a village of 900 people, the list included

Antigua, Guatemala; the Canadian Rockies via the Rocky Mountaineer Train; Columbus, Ohio; the Coromandel Peninsula, New Zealand; Girona, Spain; Leavenworth, Washington; Ouro Preto, Brazil; Plantation Country, Louisiana, and Saba, The Netherlands Antilles.

"We were surprised at the recognition, but at the same time, not surprised, as those of us who make our home in this mountain village know

first-hand what a charming, quiet and undiscovered gem it is," said Ron Gilmore, executive director of the Cloudcroft Chamber of Commerce.

Fodor's announcement came after much research of professionals in the field whose jobs it is to know of those "out-of-the-way" vacation hot spots.

"For the first time, Fodor's surveyed our hundreds of writers and editors around the globe and asked them their top picks for the most overlooked

and underrated places to visit during the winter season," said Fodor's spokeswoman Jane Glennon.

"Some of the places are not far from well-known cities and make great side trips. Others are a bit removed from tourist hubs but offer plenty that make them destinations in their own right," Glennon said. "These are...places that you might have heard about from a friend. People who know about these destinations are hesitant

to share them with others in fear that their discovery might be revealed."

Cloudcroft is a popular destination year-round for both Texans and New Mexicans. The village, an "island" surrounded by the Lincoln National Forest, offers skiing, ice skating, tubing, snowshoeing, shopping along old Burro Street with its Old West boardwalks and decor, and fine dining at the century-old railroad hotel, The Lodge.

Christmas tree-cutting permits available

Christmas tree permits can be purchased from the Lincoln National Forest for a minimal cost of \$5.

Any type of tree up to 10 feet can be cut just about anywhere on the Smokey Bear, Sacramento or Guadalupe Ranger Districts.

Exceptions are on private land or in Wilderness areas.

Now through Dec. 24, permits may be purchased at all Lincoln National Forest offices from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays. Also, permits can be purchased during the week or on weekends at the Alamogordo, Ruidoso and Cloudcroft Chamber of Commerce offices, Queen Store near Carlsbad, Mayhill Feed and Supply and the Roswell Convention Center and Visitor's Bureau. Trees can be harvested starting Nov. 18.

Mail-in applications are available at:

- All Lincoln National Forest offices: Alamogordo, Cloudcroft, Ruidoso and Carlsbad.
- Chamber of Commerce offices in Alamogordo, Cloudcroft, Las Cruces (Hispanic Chamber also), Clovis, Portales, Roswell, Artesia, Lovington, Jal, Ruidoso, Hobbs, Carlsbad, El Paso, Lubbock, Midland and Odessa.
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There are additional mail-in applications available at:

- Holloman Air Force Base Morale, Welfare and Recreation office.
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- New Mexico Game and Fish in Las Cruces.
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- Chamizal National Memorial in El Paso.

Maps and specific instructions are provided with each permit. Visitors are urged to call ahead for travel and weather conditions on the Forest, as no refunds can be given once a permit has been issued.

Lincoln County GOP announces Christmas party

The Lincoln County Republican Party will have a Christmas Party at 6 p.m. Dec. 10 at the Hubbard Museum of the American West, according to a news release from organizers.

Tickets are \$30, which includes dinner and dancing with the Lester Price Band.

To purchase a ticket, call 258-4780, 354-2382 or 800-653-6460.

Also, there will not be a regular meeting during December.

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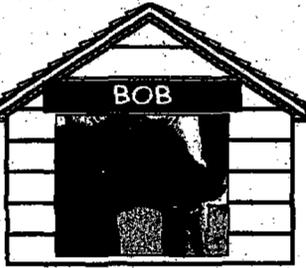
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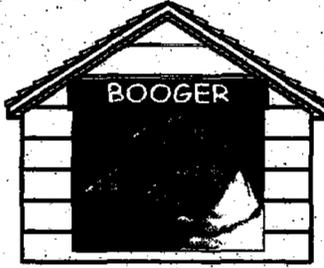


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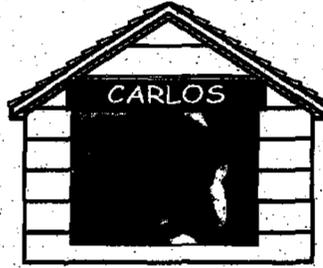
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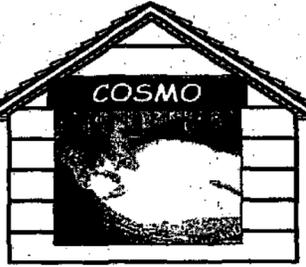
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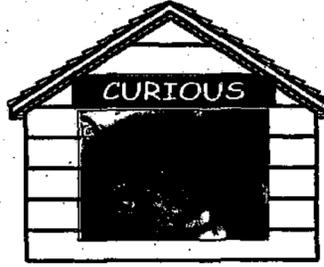
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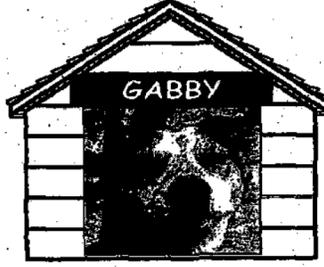
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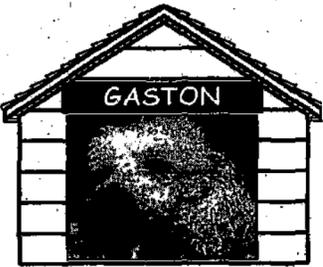
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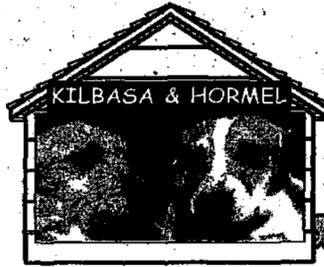
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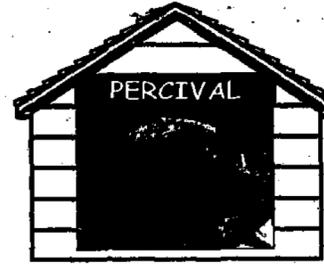
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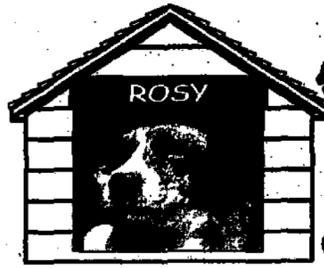


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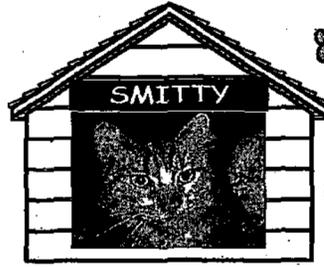
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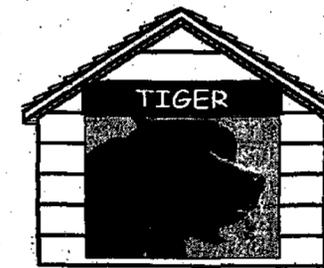
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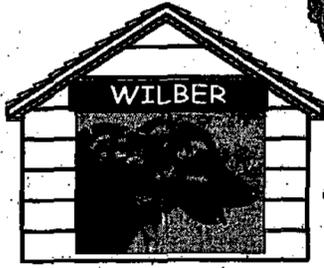
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Free admission at Old Courthouse

The Old Lincoln County Memorial Commission announces that, effective immediately, residents of Lincoln County will not be charged the 25c admission fee in effect at the Old Courthouse Museum...

The fee will still be charged to transient visitors and, because of the tax law, local residents will be asked to pay the 5c tax which is due even on free admissions.

Nov. 18, 1960

Ballots impounded here in bank vault

The estimated 3,500 ballots cast in Lincoln County's 14 precincts were impounded on an order from the state Supreme Court and placed in the vaults of Ruidoso State Bank about 3 a.m. Friday... Bringing the ballot boxes here from the county courthouse in Carrizozo was Sheriff S.M. (Sally) Ortiz. The order was given by the Supreme Court on a demand by Charles W. Durrett, Alamogordo attorney and a Republican, who was defeated by incumbent Dan Sosa Jr., Democrat, as Third Judicial District Attorney. Oddly, Durrett won the Lincoln County voting, getting a total of 1743 to Sosa's 1685, an unofficial count showed.

Nov. 20, 1970

Senior Citizens elect officers

The local senior citizens group met Nov. 5 at the Nob Hill School cafeteria to elect temporary officers and appoint a number of committees to assist in the organization of the group. Permanent officers will be elected in 90 days.

Elected chairman was N. B. Buckley, Garney Waldrop will serve as vice-chairman, Mrs. Gladys Knox as secretary, and Mrs. Robin Byrd as treasurer.

Nov. 20, 1980

The Silver Lining by Daniel Agnew Storm

After many balmy spring-like days in the first half of November, in came the snow from the Rocky Mountains to the north, on the evening of Nov. 15 bringing winter weather to the second half of the Thankful Month, and announcing the "Snowy Winter."

... You will notice that a snowy winter is a healthy winter. I remember the days of the drought back in the '30s when there was no snow here in the vale. It was dry and the wind blew nearly all the time, and it seemed you could catch a cold more readily in that kind of winter than in one with snow everywhere.

Nov. 22, 1990

Zia Center seniors have a bone to pick over beef

Senior Citizens from Capitan had a beef with the Zia Senior Citizens' Board Monday night.

According to Bob Stephens, who spoke for the seniors, the Capitan center is getting inferior beef from the new supplier in El Paso, Texas...

Stephens claimed that the center didn't have (excess fat) when they bought their beef from the Cummins Corporation store in Capitan...



Konn Apostle offers a peace pipe created for her out of wood, antler, leather and turquoise by a member of the Ute Tribe.

Dianne Stallings/Ruidoso News

Konn Apostle's spiritual world

A Ruidoso woman finds truth and serenity in her study of Native American religious beliefs and of ancient runes

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Her name should be a give-away of something out of the ordinary.

Enter the gentle world of Konn Apostle and leave skepticism and negative feelings at the door.

Not a fad or temporary distraction, Apostle's dedication to finding personal peace and a harmony with the natural world while developing her own spirituality is a lifelong quest. As avenues open to her from the physical and spiritual cleansing of a Native American sweat lodge to the guidance of ancient runes, she shares them with others.

"Sometimes, people want me to tell them what to do and what not to do," she said. "But with runes, I don't feel I'm telling them. I'm providing a vehicle. They pull at random and I apply my knowledge."

She uses aroma therapy, healing baths and many different essences and essential oil to help with "headaches, backaches, feet aches and heart aches," she said.

Born in Utah and raised in the Mormon Church, Apostle said she always was fascinated with Native American culture, its ceremonies and respect for the land.

Her readings of Ute beliefs reinforced her inner conviction that everything has a life force, including rocks, trees and the sky.

She attended Brigham Young University, earning a degree in business administration. In 1985, at the age of 33, she moved to California to join Stanford University as athletic department director, where she stayed for 13 years.

But on a vacation to Ruidoso, she fell under the spell of Sierra Blanca Peak and moved to an attractive home above the Ruidoso River, where she built a sweat lodge, casts her runes and helps people find their own answers.

Runes are characters of an ancient alphabet, probably derived from Greek script and used by the Scandinavians and other Germanic peoples from about AD 300.

"I've done crystal ball and card readings, but I feel more drawn to the Nordic and Viking runes," she said. "Pretty much every society finds some kind of oracle they subscribe to."

She started studying Native American traditions and rune reading in the early 1980s, Apostle said. She learned the ceremonies of the sweat lodge or "inipi" under the tutelage of Phillip Scott, a shaman, who also participated in the Sun Dance for warriors of the Lakota Tribe.

The tenets of Lakota belief basically are respect for ancestors, respect for parents, respect for a person's own body and respect for mother earth, she said.

"I am using it to help others who

seek to know more or share what they know," Apostle said of the sessions she conducts in the home she shares with partner Sam Marchman.

A sweat lodge ceremony begins by "smudging" everything, cleansing the spirit and the body with smoke.

The lodge is covered with blankets and the fire pit is lit. Stones to be heated and water to create steam are gathered from the river.

"I have a metate with a grindstone," she said. "We each take a turn grinding the corn to meal and sprinkle it on the pathway to the pit inside the lodge where the stone people are carried after they become glowing red."

The lodge is built low, forcing participants to crawl inside to show humbleness, she said.

"I try to follow tradition, but I tell people there are no rules, except everything should be done with respect," Apostle said. "We beat on drums, which are the heartbeat of the universe. We use rattles and a couple of flutes."

The entire process takes five to six hours.

Inside the darkness of the lodge, water is ladled on the stones to create steam and heat. As she passes a peace pipe created for her with antler, turquoise, leather and wood by a Ute Indian, Apostle tells the story of the white buffalo calf woman, the bringer of the peace pipe to the people.

"It's optional whether people

smoke it," she said. "No one is required to do anything."

"Sometimes we chant the names of someone to whom we want to spend a special blessing, and always to the planet."

Two of Apostle's other essentials are her drum and her magic wand.

"I think of the bear on the drum as the power animal and each of the seven footsteps as the different stages of life and rebirth," she said. "Everything in my belief system is very circular. I believe in reincarnation. It's my belief that my interest comes from somewhere deeper than my short life on this planet."

Apostle's "magic wand" is named Tawanda.

"I found her in the Big Bend, and Sam took her down to her natural wood for me," she said.

Apostle acquired her first set of runes from a professor at San Diego State University, who met her during a conference and said she felt compelled to give the gift.

"I think of pulling runes as an affirmation, to validate something a person is pondering," Apostle said.

Her most important validation came recently from her father. After a visit and a sweat lodge experience, he pulled her to the side and said that, "I've seen many people fall away from the church, but I've never had seen anyone find spirituality to the depths you do."

A foot of heavy, wet snow blankets historic Lincoln

LINCOLN TRAILS



ROSALIE DUNLAP
RUIDOSO NEWS

Lincoln woke up to a wonderland of snow last Tuesday, approximately 12 inches of wet snow. The snow was so heavy with moisture that it broke many tree branches. The State Monument employees, BLM, and local residents worked hard to get all the branches from the highways and residences. We were fortunate that the electricity was not off long, and we didn't have the wind that others in the area experienced.

Many friends and family attended the funeral of Betty Shrecengost. (One of her activities omitted in her obituary was her term with the Lincoln County Planning and Zoning Committee for several years.)

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Forbes of Denver also attended the funeral of Betty, his aunt.

The Creative Memories group held a retreat over the weekend at the REA building, Carrizozo. There were 11 participants. Kudos to Carol Wilson for organizing the retreat, serving her homemade meals, furnishing sleeping accommodations and still finishing a great number of album pages. She also found time to bake a birthday cake for Barbara Van Gorder, Carrizozo, and yours truly.

WEDDINGS ENGAGEMENTS

Hicks/Ward

The sun shone on the wedding of Tara Hicks and Scharbauer Ward on Nov. 4, 2000. It was raining elsewhere, but the sun came out in time for the wedding held at the Presbyterian Church in Nogal.

The bride is the daughter of Carol and Lynn Hicks, Marquette, Mich.

The groom, whose home is Nogal, is the son of Pat Ward of Ruidoso.

Marc Harris of Albuquerque was best man while Lorca Dargis of Seattle, Wash., was maid of honor.

John Duncan of Ruidoso officiated at the wedding.

Jessica Masuga, Boston, Mass., provided music on the cello during the ceremony.



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K-12/ Adult: 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m.; Chancel Choir: Wednesday 7 p.m.	CHURCH OF CHRIST Gateway Church of Christ 415 Suddeth, Ruidoso, 257-4381. Jay Willmon, Minister. Sunday Bible study: 9:30 a.m.; Sunday worship: 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible study: 7 p.m. CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST LDS Church of Jesus Christ LDS Ruidoso Branch, North on Hwy. 48, between Ruidoso and Capitan, Joe Magill, 336-4359. Sunday schedule: Sacrament starts at 10 a.m.; Sunday School; Priesthood and Relief Society. Church of Jesus Christ LDS Mescalero Branch, 671-4630. Wray Schildknecht, President, 671-9506. Sunday: Sacrament meeting 10 a.m.; Sunday School and Primary 11:20 a.m.; Priesthood Relief Soc. & Young Women, 12:10 a.m. EPISCOPAL Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount 121 Mescalero Trail, Ruidoso. Father John W. Penn, Rector. Sunday Eucharist: 8 & 10:30 a.m.; Wednes- day: Daughters of King; noon; Eu- charist & healing: 5:30 p.m.; Choir practice: 7 p.m. Episcopal Chapel of San Juan Lincoln. Sunday: Holy Eucharist 10:30 a.m. St. Anne's Episcopal Chapel Glencoe. Sunday: Holy Eucharist 9 a.m. FULL GOSPEL Mission Fountain of Living Water San Patricio. Sunday School: 10 a.m.; Evening services: 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Tuesday and Friday. JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES Ruidoso - Kingdom Hall 106 Alpine Village Road, 258-3659, 257-3871. Sunday: Public Talk 10 a.m.; Watchtower: 10:50 a.m. Mon- day: Bible Study 7:30 p.m. Thurs-	day: Ministry School 7:30 p.m.; Ser- vice Meet 8:20 p.m. Congregacion Hispana de los Testigos de Jehova 106 Alpine Village Road, 258-3659, 336-7076. Dom.: Reunion Publica 1 p.m.; Estudio de la Atalaya 1:50 p.m. Mart: Escuela del Ministerio Teocratico 7 p.m.; Reunion de ser- vicio 7:50 p.m.; Juev. Estudio de libro 7:00 p.m. LUTHERAN MO. Synod Shepherd of the Hills 1120 Hull Road, 258-4191, 257- 5296. Kevin L. Krohn, Pastor. Sun- day: Worship 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m.; Sunday School & Adult Bible Class 9:30 a.m. Third Sunday Evening Bible Study, 5:30 p.m., call for location. METHODIST Community United Methodist Church Junction Road, behind "The Cof- fee House". Harry Riser, Pastor. Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.; Sunday worship: 8:30 a.m., 10:55 a.m. PENTECOSTAL The Apostolics of Lincoln County Cornerstone Square, 613 Sud- deth, 354-4906 or 430-6654. Pas- tor, Art Durn. Saturday evening worship 6 p.m. NAZARENE Angus Church of the Nazarene Angus, 12 miles north of Ruidoso on Hwy. 48, 336-8032. Charles Hail, Pastor. Sunday Early Morn- ing Worship, 8:15 a.m.; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday Morn- ing Worship, 10:45 a.m.; Sunday Evening Worship, 6 p.m.; Tues- day Prayer Meeting, 7 p.m.; Wednesday Youth Worship, 6:30 p.m. PRESBYTERIAN First Presbyterian Church 101 Sutton Drive (Nob Hill), Rui-	doso, 257-2220. Cathy E. Caudle, Pastor. Sunday: Church school 9:45 a.m.; worship 8:30 and 11 a.m. Potluck fellowship after worship the third Sunday of every month. Mountain Ministry Parish Community United Presbyterian Church Ancho, Reverend Scott King. Sunday worship: 9 a.m.; Sunday School: 10 a.m. Corona Presbyterian Church Reverend Scott King, Sunday: Church School, 10 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m. Nogal Presbyterian Church Reverend Bill Sebring. Adult Sun- day School: 10 a.m.; worship 11 a.m. REFORMED CHURCH Mescalero Reformed Mescalero. Bob Schut, Pastor. Sunday: Church school 9:30 a.m.; worship 10:30 a.m. Mon.: junior high youth 6:30 p.m. Wed.: high school meeting 7 p.m. Thur.: Kids Club (grades 1-5) 3:30. SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST Seventh Day Adventist 207 Parkway, Agua Fria, Ruidoso Downs, 378-4161. Pastor Rick Lytle 443-1904; Assoc. Pastor Wilburn Morrow 622-1206. Satur- day: Sabbath school 9:30 a.m.; Church service: 11 a.m. Wednes- day: Prayer meeting 7 p.m. NON-DENOMINATIONAL Abundant Life Family Church 2810 Suddeth Drive, Suite 210, 257-1188. Mark Gentry, pastor. Sunday worship 8:30 a.m. Thurs- day Bible study 7 p.m. American Missionary Fellowship Rick Smith, 682-2503. Monday: Women's Bible study 6:30 p.m. Tuesday: Ruidoso men's Bible study noon at Pizza Hut, Mechem Drive. Wednesday: Women's Bible study 6:30 p.m. at Schlotzsky's Deli. Capitan Jr.	High and Sr. High Youth Groups 6:30 p.m. at Christ Community Fellowship. Calvary Chapel 433 Suddeth Drive in the Gate- way Center, 257-5915. Pastor John Marshall. Sunday worship 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday: Mid-week bible study 7 p.m. Centro Cristiano Casa de Oracion 2818 Suddeth (Pinetree Square), Ruidoso, 257-6142. Pastor Carlos Carreon. Reunion General Jueves 6:00 p.m.; Domingo 10:45 a.m. Club Amistad Sabado 11:00 a.m. (niños). Christ Church in the Downs Ruidoso Downs, 378-8464. Al and Marty Lane, Pastors. Sunday: Chil-dren's ministries concurrent with Sunday Services 9:30 a.m.; worship 8 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.; Thursday: services 7 p.m. Cornerstone Church Cornerstone Square, 613 Sud- deth Drive, 257-9265. B.A. Thur- man, Pastor. 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BUSINESS BRIEFS

Building this year ahead of 1999 pace

Even without the construction of the multimillion dollar Hawthorn Suites Golf and Convention Resort complex, building in Ruidoso is ahead of 1999's pace.

Leading the charge, according to building permits issued by the village, are new single-family dwellings, manufactured homes, and new commercial buildings.

Year-to-date single family permits have reached \$23 million in value, up more than 17 percent from the January through October 1999 period. Manufactured homes have added up to \$1.2 million, compared to \$435,000 during the first 10 months of last year.

Commercial alterations or additions permits have also soared so far this year. The \$3.3 million in alterations or additions through October far outdistances the \$1.8 million in permits registered over the same period of 1999.

Total permitted values for the first 10 months of 2000 in Ruidoso have topped the \$40 million level, compared to just shy of \$30 million a year earlier.

First National rated tops by Bauerfinancial

First National Bank, Ruidoso has been awarded the highest rating by the country's leading bank research firm.

Bauerfinancial has awarded First National the five-star rating in each of the most recent 29 consecutive reporting periods.

The rating is based on an analysis of financial data filed by the bank with federal regulators.

"Big banks come and go," said Paul A. Bauer, president of the research firm. "Community banks, like First National Bank, stand the test of time and commitment."

For the star-rating of any U.S. bank, Bauerfinancial's Web site can be accessed at www.bankstars.com. The free service is also available by phoning (800) 388-6686 during business hours.

Kearns open leather apparel store

A long time Ruidoso couple have embarked on a new business endeavor. Kimble and Patricia Kearns have opened MountainLove Leather, featuring leather apparel for men and women as well as leather accessories.

The shop, which opened on Nov. 3, is located in the Attic and Friends Complex, 1031 Mechem Drive. MountainLove Leather is open Wednesday through Sunday, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

High tech Santa helpers

A group of Ruidoso area technology consultants has pledged to donate \$10 to the Santa Cops organization for every personal computer sold between now and Christmas.

"Our (technology) community has helped our businesses grow and to demonstrate our gratitude we will donate \$10 to Santa's Helpers, formerly Santa Cops, for every computer we sell," said Sandy Stambaugh, of the Handtech.com Independent Technology Consultants group.

The group provides technology products and services. Stambaugh can be reached at 336-9160.

ENMU gets cash from TNMP to provide uninterrupted power

Eastern New Mexico University-Ruidoso was the recipient of a \$1,800 Texas-New Mexico Power Company grant to purchase uninterruptible power supply units to protect computer and other sensitive electronics.

The check was presented to Sue Kluthe, student affairs adviser at the Ruidoso campus of ENMU.

"We do appreciate this very much," Kluthe told Jim Bassett, public information coordinator with the electric company's Ruidoso office.

"We congratulate Jim Miller (director at ENMU-Ruidoso) and Eastern New Mexico University at Ruidoso," Bassett said. "This group is certainly deserving of Customer

Connection funding.

Customer Connection allows TNMP to match up to \$75,000 for worthy causes in the communities the utility serves. Customer Connection funds come from money customers voluntarily contribute to the program when they pay their TNMP bills.

The \$1,800 check presented to the university campus Nov. 8 was the result of Ruidoso area TNMP customers donating \$900 toward the project.

To learn more about the Customer Connection program, or another funding source, Hometown Challenge, contact Bassett at the Ruidoso office of TNMP. The phone number is 258-5511.

EVERYBODY'S BUSINESS

That important FICO score

BY ROSALYN ROBINSON
PIONEER BANK

Have you recently applied for a loan and the lender either told you that "you had a high FICO score" or that "your FICO score was low"? Has anyone ever told you what FICO is or what it means?

The FICO score tells the lender about your past payment history, amount of credit owing, length of time credit has been established, search for and acquisition of new credit and types of credit established. In the situation of a mortgage loan, generally the lender obtains three FICO scores from three different credit-reporting agencies. The lowest FICO score is then used in determining loan eligibility.

Past payment history - The information that is utilized relative to delinquent accounts includes: dollar amount, severity, presence of public records (collections, state/federal tax liens, foreclosures, bankruptcies) and how many times past due.

Amount of credit owing - Taken into consideration is the amount owing on specific types of accounts. If you are at

the limit of your credit cards, while the fact you are current and will have some positive impact, the amount owing will have contrasting effect on your FICO score. Having numerous accounts could have a negative impact.

New credit - If you have recently obtained a substantial amount of credit, your FICO score could be affected. Numerous inquiries, too, would tell a lender you have been "shopping." There could be the possibility you will obtain additional credit after the lender approves your application. That additional credit might inhibit your ability to repay.

In the past, FICO scores were of primary importance in consumer credit evaluation. There is now a new development in commercial lending, whereby FICO scores will also play a role in determining eligibility. If you use credit cautiously and pay your bills on time, you should not have any FICO concerns.

Rosalyn Robinson has more than 20 years of lending experience. Call 258-5858 or e-mail pioneerbank@zianet.com for additional information.



Bart Byars shows off phase one of the Apartments on Nob Hill. The apartment units, on Ruidoso's southeast side, were to fill what Byars said was a need for Byars housing in the village.

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New apartments open at Nob Hill

BY JAMES KALVELAGE
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The Apartments on Nob Hill, Ruidoso's newest town homes are ready for occupants.

The 10-unit apartment complex, which is expected to be supplemented by 10 to 12 additional units, will eventually be comprised of two duplexes and four four-unit buildings at 109 Nob Hill.

A lack of apartment rentals prompted Bart and Deborah Byars to undertake the project.

"There is a need for rental property," said Bart Byars during an open house. "It's growing. There are apartments (in Ruidoso) that are condo units, but these are apartments for professionals and empty nesters."

An apartment at the Nob Hill community rents for \$705 monthly on a one-year lease. One of the newly completed units is already rented.

"We tried to do everything possible to keep it affordable," Bart Byars said. Being his own general contractor and doing much of the work himself, the landlord said he averaged a \$45 per square foot construction cost. The apartments are 832 square feet each.

The complex will have a courtyard area using the natural vegetation of the Nob Hill neighborhood.

"One of the things we have going for us is our location," Byars said. "It's hidden in plain sight," he said of the tucked-away development.

Within walking distance are six churches, stores, restaurants and the

Lincoln County Medical Center.

The property had once been the homestead of author Eve Ball. A commemorative bench, honoring Ball, is to be included in the Apartments on Nob Hill courtyard.

While agreeing that the monthly rental cost of \$705 is at the high end of affordable, Byars said Ruidoso has a real affordability issue for those in the job market's service sector. He praised village leaders for undertaking an initiative that seeks to address the need for decent, affordable housing.

The Byars may not be done with their adding to living facilities in Ruidoso. While the Apartments on Nob Hill yet have phase two to complete, the couple is contemplating construction of a cottage community not far away on Reese Drive.

Old motel being demolished to make site for bigger Visions

BY JAMES KALVELAGE
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

An old, longtime Ruidoso motel near Midtown is coming down to make way for a new retail complex.

The Super Saver Inn, 2803 Sudderth Drive, was purchased earlier this month by Mark Marquez, who owns another retail location in Ruidoso.

"We're tearing it down and will build for a continuation of the Visions complex," Marquez said during a break from the work of removing the old motel.

While Marquez said final plans for the new shopping structure haven't been formalized, he anticipated as much as 10,000 square feet of retail space. Visions will take about 4,500 square feet of the new center. Marquez said he has had several business interests in locating in his new endeavor, possibly including a restaurant.

The current space occupied by Visions already has a business ready to take over the 3,200 square foot facility, Marquez said. "It's going to be pretty nice," Marquez said. "We'll get it rented out. It will be Visions and three others."

The architectural style of the new shop-

ping center will match the current Visions building.

Marquez said the western end of Sudderth Drive is destined to become a player in the unique shopping experience of Ruidoso.

"We're full over there," Marquez said of the Visions building.

"There's demand for more shopping areas." The Super Saver Inn property is about an acre in size. Marquez declined to reveal what he paid for the property or



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Mark Marquez, operating a front-end loader, tears down a part of the wall of the former Super Saver Inn. Marquez purchased the property to make way for a new retail complex on the west end of Sudderth Drive.

the amount of investment going into the revitalized location.

MARKET GLANCE

Soft, hard or rough landing for the economy?

BY DON HILBER
WELLS FARGO ECONOMICS

There are two possible trajectories typically cited for the United States economy. The base case is a soft landing, where growth slows near its long-term trend. Productivity gains are strong enough so that tight labor markets do not result in accelerating inflation. The alternative scenario, typically given a probability somewhere between 20 and 40 percent, is a hard landing, commonly known as a recession.

But there is another possibility that is less often mentioned, yet may have the highest chance of all. That is a rough landing, whereby economic growth slows to well below trend, yet does not get so sluggish as to result in a contraction of output. With companies having greater control of their inventories than ever before, the chance that inventory investment reduces a large amount from any quarter's GDP growth gets less and less.

The chance that inventories subtract substantially for two quarters in a row is also low. For a recession to ensue, it will take a significant buildup of inventories on top of a sustained dip in consumer purchases of durable goods. If only the latter happens, the odds of a rough landing go up.

What would a rough landing feel like? It isn't pretty. Overextended companies fail. Firms think twice about spending on capital investment. Construction seizes up in areas with high vacancies.

Hiring at many companies is put on hold. For some firms, layoffs begin in earnest. Borrowers have a harder time repaying debts, especially those supported by overvalued home prices. Interest rates fall, but not by enough to overcome fears of job or income loss. Consumers begin to save more and spend/borrow less.

Bonds: Safety at a price

During rougher times interest rates will fall both

because credit demand lessens and because inflation pressures ease. We are not quite there yet. Sticky energy prices and low unemployment are keeping headline inflation from falling for now. The Fed will not ease until those conditions change, and the markets have finally come to not expect action anytime soon. The Treasury market, which sets the pricing for all credit, has already rallied for most of this year. It needs some hope of Fed action before another drop in yields.

The Treasury market also faces periodic bouts of appreciation or retraction when the budget outlook shifts or when flight to safety becomes paramount. In the short term, these factors will probably whipsaw yields. Other bonds may be more attractive for the investor seeking safety without volatility and without paying a high price.

Mortgage agencies face election uncertainty, so the betters said lie in the municipal

and corporate markets. But watch out for anything but the highest-grade corporate bonds. Spreads have not yet spiked, as they are apt to when the consensus gets nervous about impending economic trouble.

Stocks: Rotations possible

As the economy has moved on to a slower growth path, and as interest rates have come down, a major rotation into earlier discredited sectors has taken place. The shift this year has been huge, expect more of the same. Another possible rotation is out of U.S. stocks and into the equities of other nations.

The underlyng companies in other developed markets have already performed as well or better than U.S. stocks this year. It is only when currency movements are taken into account that U.S. investors have benefited. But with the dollar overvalued and uncertainty rising in America, a worldwide portfolio shift is looming.

Used OR table for LCMC costs \$100

Commissioners OK use of saved \$29,900 for bathroom remodel

CARRIZOZO - County commissioners have approved a change in capital outlay purchases for the county-owned Lincoln County Medical Center.

Hospital administrator James Gibson said he was able to purchase a used operating table for \$100 from St. Joseph's Hospital in Albuquerque. He would like to use the \$30,000 budgeted to buy the table to convert a bathroom for handicapped access.

Commissioner Leo Martinez questioned the cost of the conversion, saying he thought it was too high.

He also put Gibson on notice that he will be asking for proof in the form of receipts and other documents to verify expenditures for the restroom and other purchases from the special tax levy fund set aside for capital outlay at the hospital.

"It's our obligation to ensure the money is spent wisely," he said.

A Mediterranean island culture spanning 6,000 years

BY ELLEN AND HANK BARONE FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

The last three days of our bicycle sojourn were spent in Italy's Aeolian Islands, only 22 miles off the northeastern coast of Sicily.

Born of fire and burnished in myth, the Aeolians have nurtured human culture for almost 6,000 years.

Homer wrote that Aeolus, master of winds, ruled the seven islands: Lipari, Vulcano, Salina, Panarea, Stromboli, Filicudi and Alicudi. Today, elemental ruggedness - including two active volcanoes - helps preserve a timeless aura despite proximity to the mainland.

Writing some 2,800 years ago, Homer sent war-weary Odysseus to a "floating island" - probably Lipari, our

basecamp - ringed by a smooth wall of cliffs. There Aeolus, god of wind, comforted the wanderer with "numberless dishes," and the music of flutes. But things ended badly after Odysseus' men opened a sack of wind and Aeolus banished them.

But Aeolus smiled on us as we arrived by hydrofoil to the small harbor of Lipari, the largest and most populous of the Aeolians, and also the name of the island's chief town. Colorful fishing dories filled the harbor as grizzled fishermen in yellow, rubber boots and wool caps sat gossiping while mending nets on the harbor wall. Open-air cafes ringed the port beckoning passengers on the stream of ferries that stop on their continuous loop around the islands.

A sheer wall of lava topped by a stone fortress, the Castello, dominates the town of Lipari. Its soaring flanks jut aggressively into the water a few feet from the harbor. Each strand of the island's history has left its ghostly mark behind in the Castello's stones.

You enter through an early 12th

century Norman gate, but the fortress itself was begun by the Greeks in the fourth century BC. Inside are the remains of a Bronze Age settlement, part of a Roman town, a heavily restored Baroque cathedral, and a rather gloomy Norman cloister. The whole compound is enclosed in massive walls built by the Spanish more than 400 years ago.

On each level of the tightly truncated fortress walls are represented mind-boggling leaps of time: six thousand years of Aeolian life, civilization upon civilization.

A ride out of the twisted alleyways and pastel buildings of town revealed a hilly interior with sweeping views of the sea, sparkling azure and turquoise before the distant deep green of Vulcano and Salina. Colorful fishing villages reminiscent of another century, dot the island's shoreline.

Between boat excursions to the other islands, our stay on Lipari settled into a comfortable routine: explore, eat, sleep - not necessarily in that order. Siesta, is a time-honored

and sacred tradition on the island, and after days of heavy cycling, it was one to which we adapted quite enthusiastically.

Our evening meals never varied in their location - the multi-generational Ristorante Filipino, a restaurant with its own fishing fleet - but always in cuisine. Each evening, the chef would acquaint us with the exact spot our meal was caught. "In the Aeolians, fish are like people - each has its favorite hangout," he said with a smile.

We're fond of our life in Ruidoso. But sitting there beneath the shade of an isolated lemon tree, looking out at the unruffled expanse of the Mediterranean, while sipping Malvasia, the island's sweet passito wine, we wondered as all travelers do at some point... what if.

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, international publications.



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Christmas in the Park



Ruidoso children at last year's Christmas in the Park, right, make their wishes known to Santa Claus in this November 1999 file photo as the lights reflect in the glasses of Mayor Robert Donaldson, left.

This year's Christmas in the Park tree-lighting program will be Nov. 30 at Schoolhouse Park with festivities beginning at 6:15 p.m. There will be visits with Santa, the lighting of the trees, sleigh rides, entertainment, door prizes and hot chocolate and cookies.

The annual event is sponsored by the Ruidoso Parks & Recreation Department. Door prizes are donated by local merchants.



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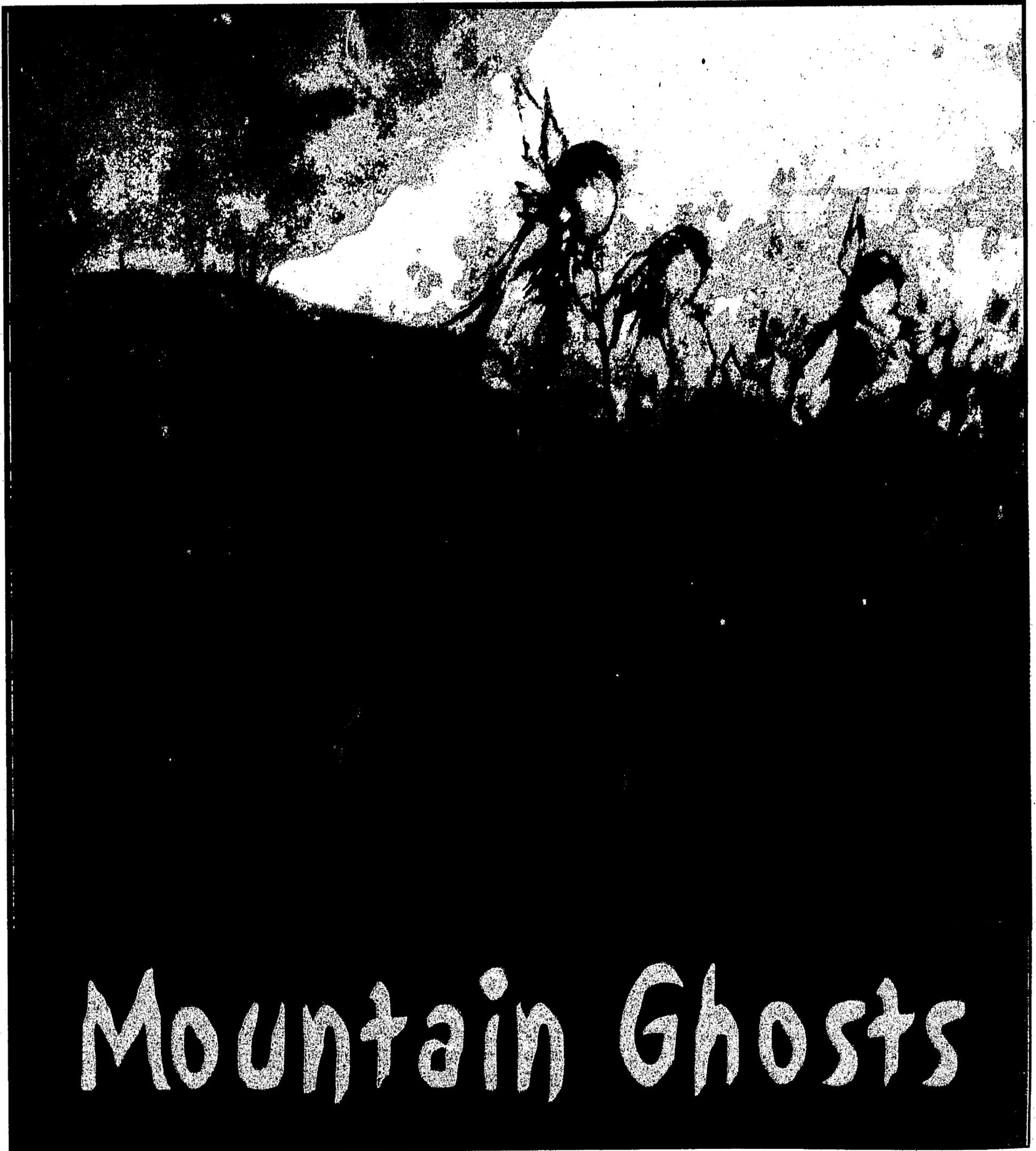
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'Twill be the night of 'The Nutcracker'



Courtesy

THE SNOW QUEEN AND THE SNOW KING rehearse for the Christmas classic, "The Nutcracker," at the Spencer Theater December 1 and 2.

by *Sandy Suggitt*
VAMONOS! EDITOR

Once upon a time - well, actually, it was Christmas Eve at the Spencer Theater - the Stahlbaum family was joyfully decorating the Christmas tree with dolls and candy and cookies.

Young Clara Stahlbaum and her brother, Fritz, admire the tree, and when guests arrive, play with the children until Uncle Drosselmeier arrives with his new invention, a mechanical dancing Doll. Uncle gives Clara an old Nutcracker Doll and Fritz a stick horse, on which he gallops around the Spencer stage. Despite his galloping, he's jealous of Clara's Nutcracker Doll and grabs and breaks it. Uncle Drosselmeier mends it with a kerchief and the party comes to an end.

Later in the night, Clara wakes up and goes to look for her kerchief-mended nutcracker doll. She finds two Rats leading an army of Mice from one side and giant toy soldiers marching in from the other side. The King of the Rats strides in to command the rodents, and the Nutcracker Doll, now a Prince, takes command of the Toy Soldiers. War ensues, and Clara puts a stop to it by throwing her shoe at the Rat King - who falls down and dies.

The Snow Scene and the Land of the Sweets

A beautiful sleigh arrives, pulled by elves, and Clara and the Nutcracker Prince are taken on a journey through the snow, guided by Snowflakes and Angels. They arrive at The Land of the Sweets, and who should greet them

but the Snow King and the Snow Queen and Sweets from the around the world: Spanish Chocolate, Arabian Coffee, Tea from China, Russian Nougats, Peppermints and Harlequins. The Dew Drop Faery enters and leads Flowers and Petals in a dance until the Sugar Plum Faery and her Cavalier arrive to dance.

To find out how this Christmas tale ends, buy a ticket and watch 65 local children, 10 adults and two professional dancers perform this timeless Christmas classic. Tickets are available through Ballet New Mexico (258-1946), the Spencer Theater Box Office (336-4800 or (888) 7872) or at Furr's on Mechem Drive. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 12.

The Snow Queen reigns over the artistic direction of 'The Nutcracker'

by Sandy Suggitt
VAMONOS' EDITOR

Artistic director, choreographer, Snow Queen, Dewdrop Faery and ballet instructor:



Courtesy

these are the roles 19-year-old Laney Atherton performs as she leads 68 children and ten adults in preparing for "The Nutcracker" performance Dec. 1 and 2 at the Spencer Theater.

Atherton started dancing when she was 3 in Houston, Texas, and won first place at the "I Love Dance" national competition and other national competitions.

In Houston, she participated in many competitions, and won "overall best" at several national ones.

"Once you go to a competition, it's paired with a convention where you take master classes, meet a lot of famous people and I was also doing acting and musical theater," she said.

"I really didn't like the competition part - it made me nervous, but I loved performing and I loved earning things - awards, money, scholarships - for performing. The excitement of it all was very interesting for a young child."

At age 12, she joined the Houston Dance Theatre, studying classical ballet and modern dance at the company's American Academy of Dance. Shortly after joining, she performed for the first time in "The Nutcracker," as well as in "Cinderella," "Giselle," and others on a monthly basis with the Houston Dance Theatre's Corps de Ballet.

At the same time, she played leading roles in local and troupe theatrical performances, and won two gold medals at the Dance Olympics.

In 1998, she came to Ruidoso to be

with her father and to study with Randall Graham at Ballet New Mexico's nonprofit dance school, the Aspen Leaf School of Dance.

"I was here for a year and a half, then in '99, I went back to Houston to study with my old company (on a scholarship)," she said. "I really want to have a dance career and I was getting out of shape and needed to go back and get some really strict Russian teachers."

Atherton returned to Ruidoso in July to earn some money for college, and ended up teaching ballet classes at Aspen Leaf School of Dance.

"At first it was going to be a part-time job," she said. "Pretty soon it ended up being a full-time position and then came 'The Nutcracker.'"

Initially, the parents who run the ballet school suggested she be assistant director to Graham, who directed "The Nutcracker" last year. She had been teaching her ballet students "The Harlequin," she said, "trying to get them in the mood for doing 'The Nutcracker.' Then it was agreed that I would be the actual artistic director."

Atherton said directing "The Nutcracker" was "nerve-racking" and "very stressful at times." She had taught classes before and had choreographed dances for competitions, but never for a whole production. Her description sounds like a teacher's nightmare:

"There are 60 to 65 kids in 'The Nutcracker,' and on Saturdays they're there all at the same time. We don't have any volunteers to help during rehearsals ...

nobody helping me keep them quiet. It's like being a mom for a day to 65 children all at once. ... They're very rambunctious and they love what they're doing, so they're very excited - and very talkative," she said.

"The other thing is just putting it all together in a certain amount of time and having it look like I've done this a million times, and being able to assure the parents that it's going to be fine. A lot of parents had trouble at first believing in me, and believing I wasn't a teenager from Houston, that I was doing a job and a very big one."

Atherton said there had been quite a few absences at rehearsals and the company lost three days due to the snow last week, putting it behind schedule. Just as she was about to pull out her hair, Saturday's rehearsal ran smoother than it has so far.

"There were a lot of kids who weren't very serious about what they were doing, but once they started learning, a lot of them have come a long way in the past few months," she said. "Their hard work is definitely going to pay off."

In May, Atherton received a four-year scholarship to the University of Colorado for a degree in performing and visual arts. Her main goal, she said, is to open a performing and visual arts academy that is academically accredited for elementary, middle school and high school.

"While I'm trying to get that going, I really would like to choreograph more pieces for a company, and I'd like to perform too," she said.

Touring the country and the world, the Snow King joins the cast

by Sandy Suggitt
VAMONOS' EDITOR



Courtesy

The Snow King will be performed this year by Robert Williams Jr., a 1997 graduate of Ruidoso High School who toured and performed with The Young Americans for the past two years.

"I love it," he said of his Snow King role. "It's a

wonderful learning experience and it's a great performance experience in general. I get to learn a lot, and hopefully provide a good role model for some of the boys that are in ballet now."

He explained that the Snow King and the Snow Queen are the leaders of the Land of the Sweets, in charge of all the dolls and the snowflakes and everything that happens to Clara, the heroine, and the Nutcracker.

Williams said he was able to take the part because he's in Ruidoso taking a break from his hectic touring schedule to help his parents in their business. In the process, he "got hooked up with Ballet New Mexico."

His first experience with Ballet New Mexico was when he performed with the company in "Snow White" in May of 1997 at Ruidoso Middle School. This followed on the heels of a high school production of "Oklahoma!"

After graduating from high school, he went to New Mexico State University in Las Cruces to major in vocal performance on a scholarship.

About half way through his first semester there, a touring variety show called the Young Americans performed for Ruidoso High School, then held auditions after the performance. Williams auditioned and was accepted, and the following August moved to California to join them.

"I did three national tours and an international tour with them. I've been to 38 different states plus Australia and new Zealand performing with them," he said, singing, acting, dancing and doing improv in more than 100 performances with the nonprofit organization.

Only 35 of the total 130 to 150 people in the group

tour at a time, and everything is audition-based, Williams said. He's been lucky — or talented enough — to be chosen for tours and for performances, because some may be in the organization for five years and not tour.

"There's always shows going on in southern California, a lot of publicity, so we're doing shows for different organizations down there," he said. "For the Thanksgiving day football game in Michigan last year between Detroit and the Steelers, the Young Americans performed at the half-time of that."

While in Ruidoso helping his parents with their business, Doctor Steve's Kitchen, Williams has participated in both the Eastern New Mexico University-Ruidoso choirs. In May, he said, he'll probably move back to southern California to finish his degree as a musical theater major and hopes to minor in dance.

THE SKINNY

WHAT:

The Nutcracker

WHERE:

Spencer Theater

WHEN:

7 p.m., Dec. 1 and 2

TICKETS:

\$10, adults \$5, children under 12

Ballet New Mexico, 238-1946; the

Spencer Theater Box Office, 336-4800,

(888) 818-7872, or Furr's on Mechem

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Saturday November 18

Photographic Equipment Swap Meet
9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Ruidoso Convention Center. Call 258-4003 for more information.

Ski Apache
opens today. Call 257-9001 for snow reports, or 336-4356 for more information.

Tuesday, November 21

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

Wednesday, November 22

Pre-school Storytime
2 p.m. at the Ruidoso Public Library. Call 258-3704 for more information.

Thursday, November 23

Hubbard Museum of the American West
will be closed today for Thanksgiving.

Ruidoso Public Library
will be closed today. Call 258-3704 for more information.

Friday, November 24

Ruidoso Public Library
will be closed today. Call 258-3704 for more information.

Ongoing

Photographic Exhibition
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Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Ruidoso Senior Center, 501 Sudderth. 257-4565.

Bridge
At the Ruidoso Senior Center, 501 Sudderth. 257-4565.

• **Party Bridge** — Wednesdays at 1:30 p.m., Fridays, 1 p.m.

• **Duplicate Bridge** — Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays, 1 p.m. and Thursday at 7 p.m.

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6589 for showtimes and information.

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Wednesday nights 7-9 p.m. Call Paul for details at 257-4874.

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107 Kansas City Rd. (next to the Ruidoso Village Hall) 258-3704. Open Monday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Tuesday, 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Wednesday and Thursday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m., Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

• Friends of the Library Book Shoppe is open 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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
5-7p.m. July 26 opening at the international Museum of Art, El Paso.

Gary Niblett on the Old Chisum Trail
Artwork inspired by the Last Great Cattle Drive of the Millennium. Open daily at the Hubbard Museum of the American West.

American Horses and American Artists
Exhibition and sale of fine art by twelve of the country's best equine artists at the Hubbard Museum of the American West, through Oct. 31.

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

Movies

The following movies will show November 17 through 21 only: *Charlie's Angels*, 1:15 p.m., 3:30 p.m., 6:45 p.m., 8:30 p.m., *Red Planet*, 1:30 p.m., 3:45 p.m., 7 p.m., 9 p.m.

The Grinch
Showing November 17 through 30
Comedy, 1 hr. 45 min.

Rated PG for some crude humor.
Starring: Jim Carrey, Anthony Hopkins, Molly Shannon, Jeffrey Tambor, Verne Troyer.

Directed by Ron Howard.
Produced by Brian Grazer.
Written by Dr. Seuss, Jeffrey Price, Peter S. Seaman and Dr. Seuss.

Distributor: Universal Pictures
Release Date: November 17, 2000

Nationwide
Synopsis:

In this live-action adaptation of the famous Christmas tale by Dr. Seuss, director Ron Howard (*Apollo 13*, *Splash*), casts comedian Jim Carrey in the title role, giving this rendition of *How the Grinch Stole Christmas* a perverse, manic spin. Add great special effects and a fast-moving script and this well-loved story of a freakish green monster living in a mountainside cave who disguises himself as Santa Claus and burglarizes every single house in the adorable village of Whoville on Christmas Eve becomes a hilarious holiday comedy.

Showtimes: (November 17-21) 1 p.m., 3:15 p.m., 6:30p.m., 8:45 p.m.
(November 22-30) 12:45 p.m., 3:15 p.m., 6:45 p.m., 9:15 p.m.

102 Dalmations
November 22 through 30
Kids/Family and Comedy.
Not Rated.

Starring: Alice Evans, Gerard Depardieu, Glenn Close, Ioan Gruffudd and Tim McInnerny

Directed by Kevin Lima.
Produced by Ed Feldman and John Hughes.

Written by Brian Regan and Kristen Buckley.

Distributor: Buena Vista
Release Date: November 22, 2000

Synopsis:
In this all new tale, Cruella De Vil is released from prison on good behavior swearing that she will have nothing to do with fur ever, again in her life. She, however, cannot keep this promise and soon is plotting another "furocious" scheme to get her ultimate Dalmatian coat.

Showtimes: 1 p.m., 3:30 p.m., 7 p.m., 9:30 p.m.

Unbreakable
Showing November 22 through 30
Drama.

Rated PG-13 for mature thematic elements incl. some disturbing violent content, & for a crude sexual reference.

Starring: Bruce Willis, Samuel L. Jackson, Charlayne Woodard, Robin Wright Penn, Spencer Treat Clark.

Directed by M Night Shyamalan.
Produced by Barry Mendel, M Night Shyamalan and Sam Mercer.

Written by M Night Shyamalan.

Distributor: Touchstone Pictures
Release Date: November 22, 2000

Nationwide

Synopsis:
Unbreakable is a riveting story shared by two men: David Dunne, the sole survivor of a devastating train wreck who finds himself miraculously unharmed, and Elijah Price, a stranger who proposes a

bizarre explanation.
Showtimes: 12:30 p.m., 3:15p.m., 6:45 p.m., 9:15 p.m.

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Courtesy Universal

THE GRINCH (Jim Carrey) and his dog Max masquerade as Santa and Rudolph in Universal's Dr. Seuss' *How The Grinch Stole Christmas*.

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From the:
Arts Coordinator

Ruidoso Arts Commission

Thank you for the wonderful reception which was held to celebrate the new position of Arts Coordinator for the Village of Ruidoso, and for the opportunity to meet so many of you. The large number attending made a strong statement for the enthusiasm with which this new position is being greeted by the community. The event was sponsored by the Arts Commission, and both the Spencer Theater and the Hubbard Museum of the American West were generous in their support of it.

As many of you already know, I am planning a series of open meetings to which the public is invited. We are hoping for a good representation of gallery owners, business owners, arts interested citizens, and artists.

Several results are expected from these meetings, such as: a comprehensive listing of all area artists, arts organizations, galleries, and others who are interested in the at and cultural life of Ruidoso and Lincoln County; an inventory of venues, events, and needs of the artist community; and to gain information with which to develop a marketing plan for Lincoln County as an active arts community.

Meetings have been scheduled as follows:

Tuesday, November 21, 5 p.m., Ruidoso Public Library Classroom
Tuesday, November 28, 5 p.m., Ruidoso Public Library Classroom
Wednesday, November 29, 3 p.m., Ruidoso Village Hall, Council Room

Tuesday, December 5, 3 p.m., Capitan Senior Citizens Center, 115 yard Road, Capitan

Please bring your brochure, business card, ideas, and any other information which you would like to be on file with the Ruidoso Arts Commission. Call the Arts Coordinator, Mary Lea Lane, at 378-4302 if you have any questions.

Mary Lea Lane
Ruidoso Arts Coordinator



"Painting is my passion. I've been very fortunate to be able to do this and do other things. I love real estate. It's a great way for a senior citizen to meet other people and keep alive."

Born in Wink, Texas, an oil-rush town of tents, Rose grew up reading with coal-oil lamps. He began drawing and painting as a child. After getting his degree in Kansas City, he opened an ad agency and did a lot of commercial art, while painting the landscapes and still-lives for which he's become known.

Rose and his wife, Susie, moved to Ruidoso from Midland, Texas in 1977 for "the mountain": "We moved to the mountain, my wife and children and I; we're avid skiers, sportsmen. I climb mountains, water ski, climb in caves, hunt a fish," he said. "It's part of being 'on the



mountain."

Rose, who had been exhibiting his landscapes at McMahon Fine Art for years, had an enchanting experience five years ago that resulted in a new series of more abstract paintings he named the "ghost series."

"I was on the (Mescalero) Indian reservation in the early '80s and I heard chanting," he said. "It was a hot, summer day and I could hear chants in the windless air. That's what inspired the ghost series."

In 1995, he painted a series inspired by the experience, and now he's working on building up another exhibition of 40 or 45 paintings in a similar vein. The landscapes and ghostly, abstract figures, often on horseback, are done with waterproof ink and acrylics. Rose lets the color build up in thin washes, which gives them a translucent look.

The figures are executed with what Rose calls "carefully clumsy drawing," and are painted on with a stick, "pushing paint around" and using a scrubbing technique, which results in thick and thin lines.

"I always have one element as the center of interest and everything else is subordinated to it, using positive and negative

space," Rose said.

Each painting — whether landscape or of the ghost series — has a storyline and history, and Rose prepares thoroughly before beginning on the final painting. Hanging on the walls of his studio are detailed drawings he makes for every painting. These are often followed by small versions of prospective paintings.

Although he uses Masonite for his ghost series, because he needs a hard surface for painting with a stick, five years ago Rose came up with a new painting surface for small still lifes: aluminum foil. For 30 years, he used aluminum foil over his palettes because he could just wad it up and throw it away rather than having to wash his palettes.

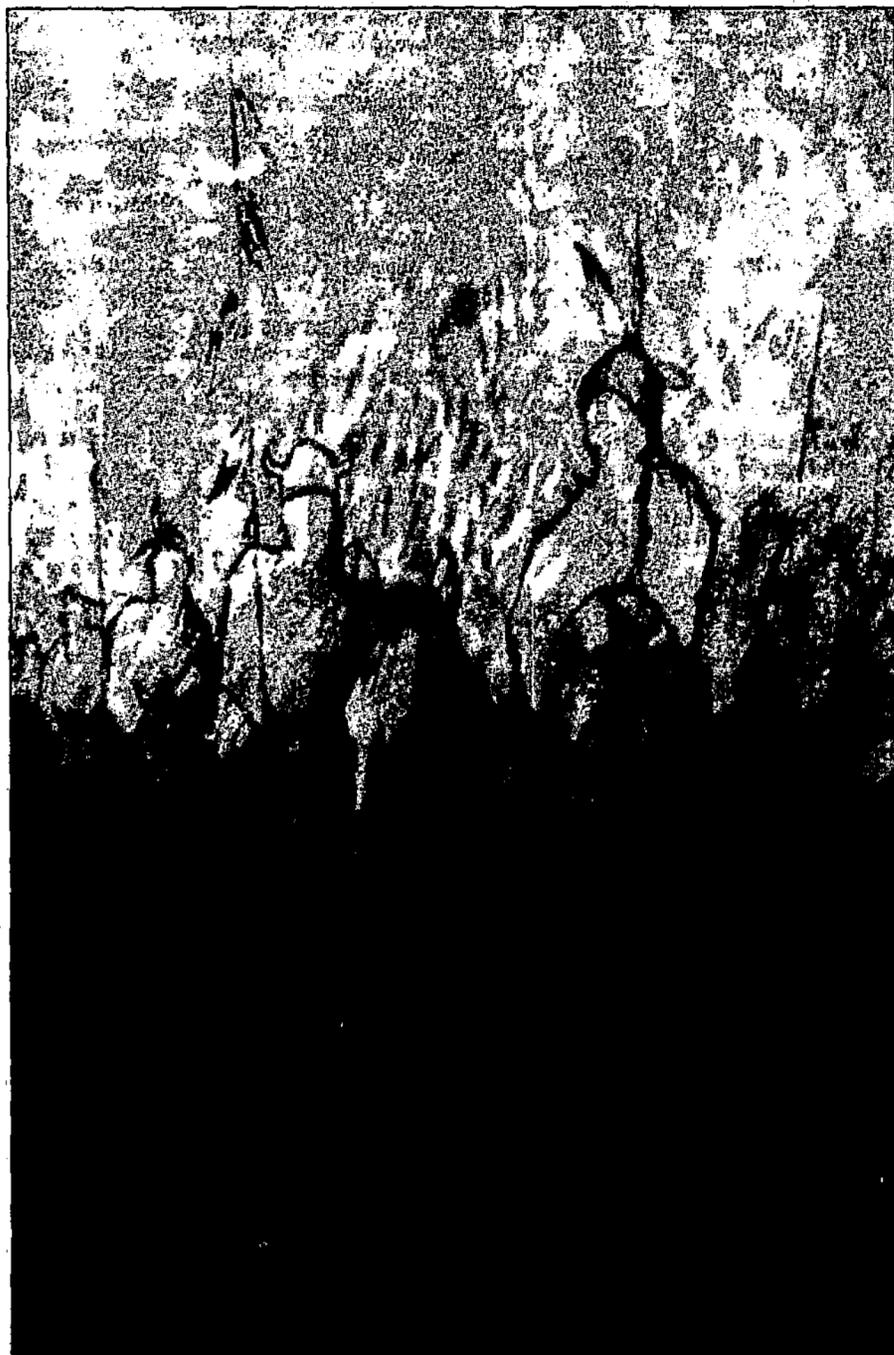
"Then all of a sudden I unrolled it and saw how well the paint sticks to it," he said. "Paint flows on like a really good water color except that this is opaque. ... It'll last a lot longer than linen or Masonite. It'll last for 10,000 years."

Rose has had one-man shows in Kansas City, Dallas, Midland, and Ruidoso, and his work is in many collections and is on permanent display in the State Capitol in Austin. Ghost Series II will be exhibited



at McMahon Fine Art in Jira Plaza.

GHOST SERIES II paintings are shown on this page, with one of Martin Rose's landscapes below left.



On the mountain



MARTIN ROSE paints with a stick on one of his "ghost series" paintings at his studio in Ruidoso.

*Story and photographs
by Sandy Suggitt*

WAMONOS' EDITOR

Martin Rose has been painting for four hours every morning since 1961 when he graduated from the Kansas City Art Institute and School of Design. Even though "If you're not painting, you're frequently thinking about painting, thinking about what you're doing and why you're doing it," as he says, that still leaves a lot of his considerable energy untapped. For the last 20 years, he's worn another hat as well: that of a real estate agent.

"After four straight hours of painting, I go to the office and there's nice people, or I go out to galleries or to art shows," he said. "My passion is painting and the need is to be around people, but I have tremendous energy and I have to burn it some place."

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Fruit of the Trees

Hwy 380 between 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.

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Hurd-La Rinconada Gallery

Off Hwy. 70 in San Patricio, 653-4331.

Michael Hurd's latest works plus works by Peter Hurd, Henriette Wyeth Hurd, Andrew Wyeth, Jamie Wyeth, Carol Hurd Rogers and Peter de la Fuente. Works can be viewed Monday - Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and by appointment on Sunday.

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From her adobe studio, potter Ivy Heymann makes functional porcelain, sculptures and lighting in the shadow of Patos Mountain. A one-hour drive north from Ruidoso. Open 7 days, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Peter Hurd painting is donated to Eastern New Mexico University

Clovis resident Addie Swearingen recently donated a Peter Hurd painting titled "Rancho de las Chavez" to the Friends of Eastern Foundation at Eastern New Mexico University.

"My gift to the Friends of Eastern Foundation is intended to add more beauty to the ENMU campus and enhance the university art collection for all to enjoy," explained Swearingen.

A special appreciation luncheon was recently held in the Campus Union Building in recognition of Swearingen's gift.

This isn't the first time Swearingen has made a donation to Eastern New Mexico University. She sponsored the purchase of the pipe organ in Buchanan Hall, helped the psychology department expand the viability of its student research program and helped fund the construction of the KENW-FM public radio station in Maljamar.

Over the years, she has also established four scholarships, two of which are endowed. Combined, the Mary L. Peed Scholarship, the Addie Swearingen Foundation Freshman Award, the Swearingen Accounting Scholarship and the Addie Swearingen Nursing Scholarship have funded 145 scholarships.

In addition, she has supported the Starter Scholarships and has helped another 26 freshmen with their tuition.

'The Hornrimmed Stranger' visits Alamogordo from the past

Alamogordo Music Theatre will present "The Hornrimmed Stranger" at 7:30 p.m. on November 3, 4, 10, and 11 at the Flickinger Center in Alamogordo.

The dry, lighthearted comedy was written by Paul Treat of Las Cruces.

The comedy is set in New Mexico in the late 1950s at the height of the Cold War, with events that were controversial then and now. Tickets are \$7, 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 Web site at www.zianet.com/amt, or contact Norm Daviess at 434-6972.

Artist's Bulletin Board

Oil painting classes start December 4 and 6, 7-10 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays, at the Ruidoso Senior Citizens' Center, 501-A Sudderth Drive. \$12 per session + supplies. Call instructor Laura L. Flynn at 257-4001 (days) or 257-0514 (evenings) to reserve a space.

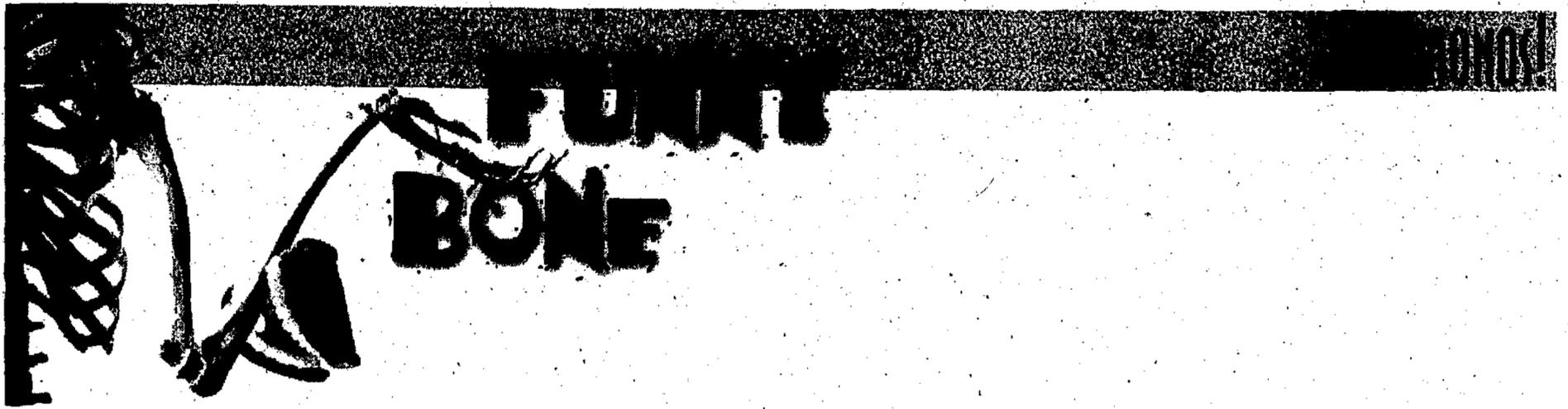
The Photographic Society of Lincoln County will sponsor a photographic equipment swap meet from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Saturday at the Ruidoso Convention Center.

For more information, contact The Photographic Society of Lincoln County, P.O. Box 3060, Ruidoso, NM 88355. Call Ray Bowerman at (505) 336-1388, Dave Travis at (505) 258-4006, or Herb Brunell at (505) 258-4003.

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GET THE ART BUG!





Real Men never miss their afternoon naps



Dave Barry
DAVE'S WORLD
TRIBUNE MEDIA SERVICES

Today we present: Masculine Medical News For Men. Our first item concerns what could be the most significant medical discovery for men since the invention of the electric nose-hair trimmer. According to an Associated Press article sent in by alert reader Shirley Damiano, researchers at the University of Chicago have discovered that (and here, to indicate the importance of this breakthrough, we will activate our keyboard's "Caps Lock" feature) MEN NEED SLEEP.

The reason for this is hormones, which are chemicals that our bodies produce so they can take control away from our brains. For example, men produce a hormone that compels them to watch instant replays on TV. If a man is watching a football game, a moose could walk into the room wearing a tutu, and the man will not notice, because his hormones are forcing him to watch, possibly for the sixth time, a football player fall down in slow motion. Women do not produce this hormone but they do produce one that compels them to rearrange furniture, and another one that causes them to believe they

can improve their appearance by using a tiny pencil to draw dark lines around their eyeballs.

So anyway, according to the University of Chicago researchers, men produce a hormone that causes them to develop muscle mass, which they need to perform masculine tasks that are biologically necessary for human survival, such as operating the remote control. The thing is, men produce this particular hormone ONLY DURING DEEP SLEEP. If they don't get enough sleep, they become flabby.

In other words, men, the reason that you do not have the chiseled physique of a male underwear model is NOT that you have the same exercise habits as a cheese log: It's that you're not getting enough deep sleep! For your medical health, you must change your lifestyle immediately. I'm sure your spouse will be supportive.

YOUR SPOUSE: Dear, could you take out the garbage, mow

the lawn and help me move a 350-pound sofa around the living room until I finally decide that I like it best in its original location?

YOU: Gosh, honey, I sure wish I could! But I need to get some deep sleep so I can build muscle mass.

YOUR SPOUSE: Gee, I guess that IS medically more important!

YOU: Thanks, honey! And by the way, those eyeball lines are very attractive!

I think there should be a TV exercise show called "Muscle Mass for Men." It would be similar to other exercise shows, except that instead of annoyingly perky women prancing around to annoying music, "Muscle Mass for Men" would consist of eight to 10 uninterrupted hours of a man sleeping in a Barca-Lounger. I can envision a nationwide chain of Men's Muscle Mass Fitness Centers, equipped with state-of-the-art beds. Fitness-conscious men could spend entire weekends at these centers, watching golf on TV and secreting vital hormones. (Anybody who thinks you can't watch golf

and sleep at the same time has never watched golf.)

OK, men! We've got you on a medically sound masculine fitness program, scientifically based on an actual newspaper clipping. Before you know it, your muscles are going to be so massive that you may have to move up to a larger potato-chip-bag size ("Small Village") to provide your new physique with adequate nutrition.

But even the manliest man can become sick or injured. The question is: What should you do if you need medical treatment? The masculine answer is: Try to fix the problem yourself. Real men know that many so-called "serious" health problems, such as a sucking chest wound, that the so-called "medical profession" will charge you an arm and a leg to correct, can be easily treated via simple home remedies such as duct tape.

For a good example of a man treating himself in a manly medical manner, let us consider a newspaper clipping sent in by alert reader Joel Prange from the Redding (Calif.) Record Searchlight, concerning a man in Tehama County who had a painful corn on his toe. Now if this man had gone to see a doctor, who knows what he would have been charged? So, according to the article, which I am not making up, the man "decided to shoot it with his 22-cal-

iber rifle."

And guess what? It worked out FINE, except that he injured his foot and had to be taken to the hospital for treatment and may face legal charges. This is why the American Medical Association states: "For foot problems, it's a lot easier to aim a pistol." Although of course nobody is suggesting that you should attempt this without ANY preparation. First, you should sleep.

(Dave Barry is a humor columnist for the Miami Herald. Write to him c/o The Miami Herald, One Herald Plaza, Miami, FL 33132.)

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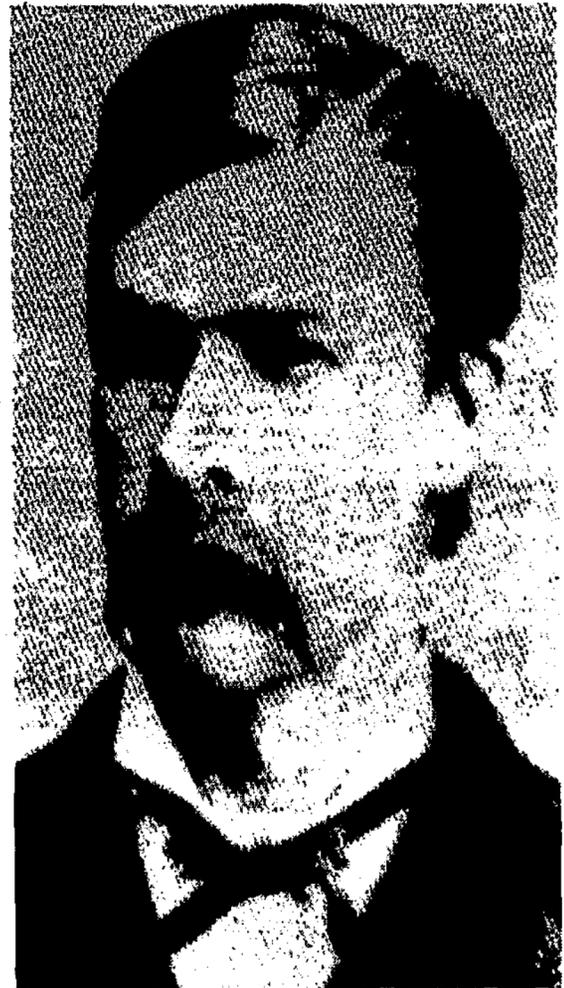


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In the shadow

Morgan Earp was born April 24, 1851 at Pella, Iowa. When he was 13, Morgan accompanied his parents to California. At the age of 19, in 1870, Morgan returned east to Lamar, Missouri where big brother Wyatt was serving as a constable (his first job in law enforcement).

Over the years since 1931 when Stuart Lake's "Frontier Marshal" was first published, volumes have been written about Wyatt Earp. There is always, in these various works, mention made of Wyatt's brother Morgan. But as other historians have pointed out, Morgan inevitably is left in the shadow of his older brother. So, to a great extent, is the other "Fighting Earp," Virgil, who was the real career lawman in the Earp family. Morgan, however, is almost always mentioned in passing, if he is mentioned at all. And that should most definitely *not* be the case.



How to drive your friends crazy

Many years ago, when I was in the Air Force, I was stationed at Omaha, Nebraska. Now, as anyone who has ever lived in that state will tell you, Nebraska is not known for its entertainment facilities. Therefore, we young GIs frequently found ourselves spending our spare time driving monotonously over the seemingly endless roads in that part of the country — drinking beer and generally doing things that we probably shouldn't. On one of these excursions we came to a crossroads that left everyone in the car gaping.

For decades, it has been a given that if you want to be my friend, you are going to have to tolerate listening to my stories about the Old West. So, it came as quite a surprise when we came to a crossroads in the middle of nowhere (actually it was in Pella, Iowa) and found our-

selves staring at an old farmhouse that had a sign in front of it informing us that this structure was the birthplace of Morgan Earp.

Well, as you can imagine, I, at least, was very excited. My companions were amazed at their bad luck. Just when they thought they had heard all I had to say about the Old West, we suddenly found ourselves almost in the front yard of a place where an Old West character was born. Then, just to compound their bad luck, one of my buddies said something to the effect of "Was he related to Wyatt Earp?" An hour or so later, when I finally stopped talking, he had heard more than he ever wanted to know about Morgan Earp.

And now, I'm gonna do it to you.

Beginnings

Of course, there were more than the three Earps — Wyatt, Virgil and Morgan — usually referred to in the movies. The eldest was a half brother named Newton who never came west. Then there was James, Virgil, Wyatt, Morgan and Warren. All five of these men were ultimately involved in the Tombstone tragedy and only James was never a part of the violence, thanks to a debilitating wound that he received during the War Between the States.

Of all the brothers, Wyatt is, hands down, the most famous and controversial. In fact, when I was in Tombstone a week ago, it was hard not to notice that historians there are still arguing about him!

Actually, their arguments have more to do with their own egos than history, which is the primary reason that I try to stay out of it.

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Wyatt had married a local woman named Urilla Sutherland, who died tragically shortly after they were married. The record has never been clear, but she either died as a result of giving birth, or possibly diphtheria — or perhaps both. Whatever the case, Wyatt had trouble with his late wife's family and with the exception of Newton and Warren, the other Earp boys engaged in a 20-minute street brawl with Wyatt's former in-laws. Only fists were used, so it was nothing like that more celebrated street brawl that the Earps engaged in about 11 years later at Tombstone.

Adulthood and marriage

The year 1875 found Morgan, along with brother Wyatt, in Kansas. In September, the 24-year-old Morgan was arrested and fined for an unnamed offense at Wichita. Seven months later, around the time of his 25th birthday, Morgan and Wyatt were both run out of Wichita under a charge of vagrancy. (Note: This is deceiving. It was a common practice in either run off or arrest former lawmen who were no longer serving in that capacity. It seems decidedly ungrateful, but in the eyes of the city fathers, these men went instantly from the sta-

tus of respected lawman to dangerous killer the very second they took off their badges.)

It was also about this time that Morgan met and married (it was probably common-law, as many of the marriages in that time and place were) a young woman named Louisa Houston. There is still much that is unknown about the strikingly beautiful "Lou," as she was called. One of the few fascinating stories that we do know about her is that she was the illegitimate grand-daughter of none other than Sam Houston. She and Morgan had no children, but they did have a little dog that they both doted upon. Little details like this are not important to the researcher, but they are invaluable in bringing into focus the humanity of the people involved.

Many years later, Wyatt would claim that about this time he and Morgan visited Deadwood, S.D., together. This was probably true, but Wyatt's claim that Morgan became marshal of Butte and killed badman Billy Brooks in a face-to-face gunfight there is not true. Billy Brooks may have been there at that time, but he came to his richly deserved demise at the end of a lynch mob's rope at Caldwell, Kansas.

For a brief time, Morgan did serve as a deputy sheriff at Ford County, Kansas (Dodge City was the county seat) before he and Lou moved down to Tombstone to be with his brothers and to join in their get-rich schemes there. It was to be the last chapter in his brief life.

Tombstone

Among the clannish Earp family, Morgan was always known as the most "affable," or likeable. He was one of those friendly people that everyone always remembers as being fun to be around. In fact, Doc Holliday's famous friendship with Wyatt aside, his main carousing buddy at Tombstone was Morgan — not Wyatt. However, Morgan was also the most hot-tempered of the brothers, as a story later related by Josephine Earp (Wyatt's last wife) shows.

Josie, when she had first come to Tombstone, had moved in with Tombstone's famous corrupt sheriff, Johnny Behan. Johnny was also an inveterate ladies' man, and was, quite simply, unable to remain faithful to one woman. The last straw for Josie was the night that she returned early from a trip to see her family in California and surprised

Johnny a bit more than she had intended. When Josie walked into their house, she found that Johnny had retired early — but not alone. After making a huge scene, Josie ejected Johnny from the house — his house, actually, but he was not prepared to argue but he was not prepared to vacate it at that time. Later, of course, he wanted very much for Josie to vacate the premises — but she was not about to oblige.

Consequently, Josie had to be very careful about when and where she went. If she wasn't careful, she was well aware that she might return home to find all of her possessions in the street. Therefore, the Earp brothers tended to take turns either accompanying her out or simply staying with her at the house. Johnny, of course, thought that it was only Wyatt with whom he had to contend. But he should've known that, if you messed with one of the Earp boys, you were liable to have trouble with all of them.

Well, one night when he knew Wyatt to be elsewhere, Johnny went over to give Josie a piece of his mind. He was in the middle of berating her on the front porch when the door suddenly flew open and Morgan knocked him off the porch and into the middle of next week. Clearly, Morgan was not at his "affable" best at this time.

The gunfight

The feud between the Earps and the "Cowboys" (Tombstone-ese for local outlaws) had been simmering almost since the Earps had first arrived at Tombstone in December of 1879. There were several near-miss situations where gunfights were narrowly avoided. Once, shortly before the festivities at the OK Corral were to commence, Wyatt and Morgan had taken Ike Clanton — he of the big mouth and no brain — to court to pay a fine. When Ike announced that he would "fight you anywhere or any way," Morgan instantly offered him a pistol to do just that. Ike, of course, had second thoughts and turned down this thoughtful invitation.

It was about 2:30 in the afternoon on October 26, 1881 when the Earps, Doc Holliday and the Cowboy faction met in an alley near the OK Corral to finally settle their differences. There is some question, and we will probably never know for sure, but it may well have been Morgan Earp who "opened the Ball." Eyewitnesses overheard him say "Let 'em have it" to Doc

Holliday as they swung into the alley. This was, of course, no problem for Doc. His response was a simple "All right."

Morgan was hit in the shoulder during the gunfight (the only participant to come away completely unscathed was Wyatt), and it was also a bullet from Morgan's pistol that struck Frank McLauri (probably the most dangerous of the Cowboys) in the head, killing him instantly and ending the shootout.

The End

Morgan and Virgil, thanks to their wounds, were not incarcerated after the shootout as were Wyatt and Doc. All four men were acquitted of any wrongdoing at the inquest that began within a few days of the fight. But it was far from over. The Cowboys were determined to get revenge, and on December 28, 1881, as Tombstone's Chief of Police Virgil Earp was crossing the street between the Oriental Saloon and the Eagle Brewery (now the Crystal Palace), five shotgun blasts rent the night air.

Luckily for Virgil, the shooters were just far enough away that the buckshot could not do the work it would have at a closer range. Virgil didn't even go down, but his elbow was literally pulverized by pellets. He would remain a cripple for life.

And then, about three months later, on March 18, 1882, it was Morgan's turn. He and brother Wyatt had attended a play at Scheffelin Hall and then repaired to Campbell and Hatch's Billiard Parlor. They had

been warned that there was a plot to kill them, but being Earps, they ignored the warning.

Morgan had just made a shot and was standing with his back to the back door of the place when the guns roared from outside. Wyatt had been sitting watching the game and one of the bullets slammed into the wall over his head, narrowly missing him. Morgan, unfortunately, was not so lucky. A bullet tore into his back, shattered his spinal column, exited and inflicted a flesh wound on an innocent bystander.

Morgan's humor was intact to the very end. As they picked him up off of the floor, he said, Rodney Dangerfield-like, "That's the last game of pool I'll ever play!" Lou and the other brothers were sent for and a short time later, in a very emotional scene that even included his little dog, Morgan Earp, the best-liked of all the brothers, passed into history.

As you can imagine, that wasn't the end of it. Wyatt looked down at the dead body of his favorite brother and went quietly insane. He and his comrades spent the next several months racing around the Arizona countryside killing everyone who might have had a hand in Morgan's murder.

And that, of course, is another story.

SOURCES: *Frontier Marshall* by Stuart N. Lake; *Wyatt Earp: The Life Behind the Legend* by Casey Tefertiller and *The Encyclopedia of Western Gunfighters* by Bill O'Neal.



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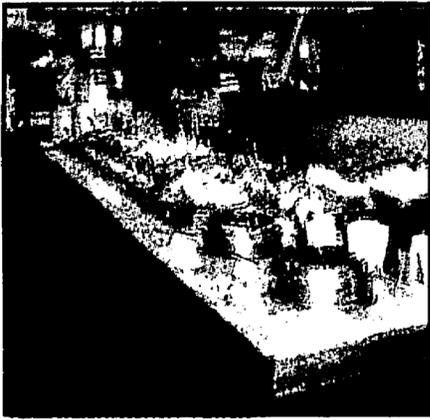
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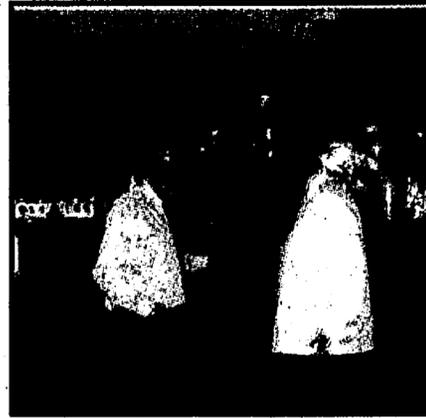


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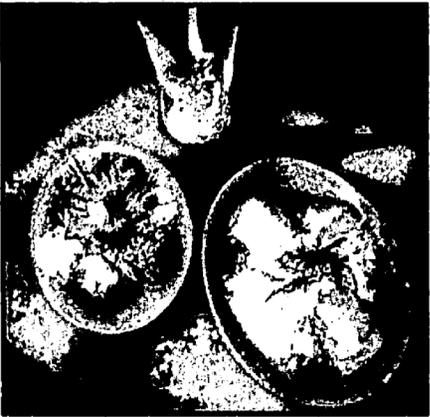
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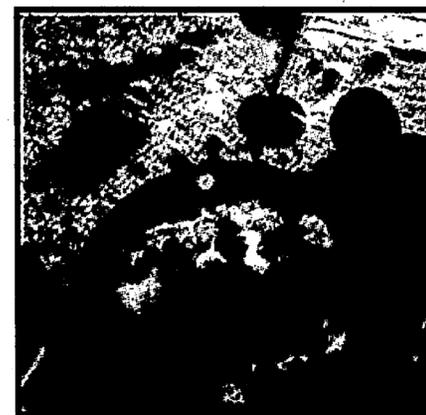
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Darling Mountain Home 1/2 AC 3 BD/2BA with attached 2 car garage. Remodeled, new carpet & floors, crown molding, fireplace, workshop. \$135,000. owner/agent 257-9057.

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• RV Space available. \$135/month plus utilities.
• Short term 1 month only 3 bdrm, 2 bath, fully furnished. \$900 plus utilities.
• NIGHTLY RENTALS ALSO AVAILABLE
Tall Pines Realty 257-7786 Donna Mobley Lic.#314765

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340 ARTS

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HOUSES: 302 CIRCLE DRIVE - Unfurnished 3BR/1BA, \$675 + bills. On market, month to month. 121 PARADISE CANYON RD. - Unfurnished 3BR/2 3/4 BA + Loft. \$850 + utilities. APARTMENTS: 111 RIO ARRIBA, #2 - Unfurnished 1 BR/3/4 BATH, \$625 per month, includes basic utilities. View! NO PETS. 111 RIO ARRIBA, #3 - Unfurnished 1 BR/3/4 BA w/ fireplace, \$625/month, includes basic utilities. NO PETS. CASINS: 161 LERNAN, Unfurnished 1 BR/3/4 BA, \$400 + utilities. Stove, Refrigerator. 161 LERNAN, Unfurnished 1 BR/1 3/4 BA, \$400 + utilities. Stove & Refrigerator. MOBILES: 1023 GAVILAN CANYON RD. - Unfurnished 2BR/1BATH mobile, \$400 per month (includes water) + utilities. On market, month to month. CONDOS: MYSTIC PINES #5 - Fully furnished 2BR/1 1/2 BATH and unit condo. \$850 + utilities. LOOKOUT MANOR L - Fully furnished, 2 BR/1 1/2 BA. \$950/month, includes all utilities. On Market, month to month. NO PETS. Call Cindy Lic. #273525 or Kathy Lic. #359275 GARY LYNCH REALTY 257-4011

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Fortress Mini Storage & Prestige Cabinets 257-7622

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1995 TOYOTA 4X4 Extended cab. Passenger door has been damaged. Engine runs good, transmission good. Asking \$1,000 Call 257-2276 for more information

1991 S-10 BLAZER, 4.3L 4x4, four-door, 118,000 Miles. Loaded, excellent condition. Only \$3,800 336-8435

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200 TRUCKS & 4x4s FOR SALE

1998 HONDA CR-V, 4 WD EX, 47K miles, excellent condition, A/C, CD/Tape player, automatic, loaded, \$18,500 (505)378-1255

240 RV'S AND TRAVEL TRAILERS

1978 COUNTRY AIRE 32 FT. 5th wheel, \$3,500 1978 28 ft. Travel Trailer, \$1,500 8x35 Mobile Home \$900 1979 Dodge 22 ft. Motor home, nice! \$3,900 Call 430-9537

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250 LIVESTOCK & HORSES EVERYTHING FOR HORSES Saddles, ropes hoofknives, wormer, fly spray, hand tools. Across from Race Track, Prime Time Flea Market.

RANCHERS NEED PRIVATE ranches to hunt elk and deer for 2001 season. Safe, good prices. Have references. (915)947-2248 or (915)656-4198 Frank.

260 FARM EQUIPMENT

14 ft. Trailer Tandem open utility trailer w/ramp, flatbed with 18" rails, new tires - \$925.00 378-4048 or 336-1381

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270 FEED & GRAINS

TOP QUALITY Alfalfa \$5.00 Hegari (in barn) 2 miles north of Tularosa, 1/2 mile west Gertsberger Farm 505-585-4578

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COMPOST SIERRA CONTRACTING PRODUCERS OF WHITE MOUNTAIN COMPOST Compost \$17.50 cu. yd. Compost - Top Soil Mix \$18.50 cu. yd. BAGS SOLD AT CONLEY'S OR SEASONS NURSERY TRUCK LOAD, WE DELIVER 430-1091 YOU PICK UP 1 MILE EAST OF RUIDOSO-DOWNS Free Mulch U-Pick-Up White Mountain Composting

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FREEZER, CHEST STYLE, 4 cu. ft., great condition, \$125. 354-4348.

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\$7.50/hour. Shift differentials. Benefits available. RUIDOSO CARE CENTER 257-9071

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Taxi Drivers Wanted Full & part-time, both local & long haul (medical transports) Full & Part-time Dispatcher & Data Entry Person Sober minded need only apply Apply in person at 533 Hwy. 70 GOOD DRIVING RECORD & HEALTH CARD REQUIRED

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Positions Available:

- General Labor
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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: Chavez, Curry, DeBaca, Eddy, Guadalupe, 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) 824-7410 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.

APPLICANTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR SUBMITTING COMPLETE PACKET ENMU-ROSWELL IS AN EEO/AA/ADA Employer

315 SOUTH PARNELL, turn by Segal. Furniture, clothes, baby items and dishes. November 18th. 8-7

A SALMON COLORED couch and over stuffed chair, night stands, desk and table. Large round walnut table \$450 407 Gary Drive Saturday AM

GIANT RUMMAGE SALE! Lots of Bargains! Sierra Mall, Saturday 11/18, 9-4. Sponsored by Non-Profit: Little Creek Auxiliary. Proceeds help local needy families. Donate items Friday 11/17, 9-4. Tax Deductible. Will pick up donations. Call 336-4943.

HIGHWAY 48 MM.11, Watch for signs. Large Freezer, misc., small kitchen appliances, radio/stereo, rugs, furniture, knick knacks, clothes, books, children's toys. Door open 8:00 a.m. Saturday

MULTI-FAMILY YARD SALE, Saturday 8:00am-7 103 Robin Road, across from Two Rivers park, near Pizza Hut-Sud-dorth.

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310 HOUSEHOLD GOODS

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380 HELP WANTED

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WE BUY JUNK CARS. Any model, any age, any condition, anywhere in the county. 378-8178.

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ALPACA FARM Maintenance Position

Position. Full or part time position for mature, responsible individual. Farm and livestock experience preferred. Confidential reply or resume to Enchantment Farm Alpacas. Box 8330, Ruidoso, NM 88355.

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APPLICATIONS BEING taken for full-time warehouse and delivery help. Must have clean driving record. Apply in person. Dale's Furniture, Hwy 70 East, 1 1/2 miles east of race track, Ruidoso Downs.

ARAMARK-RUIDOSO Municipal Schools currently has temporary part-time and one full-time position available. Please pick up applications at Ruidoso Municipal Schools Administration Office or contact Ruidoso Dining Hall Department. Positions opened until filled.

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Cattle Baron & Farley's are currently accepting applications for all positions. Insurance and 401(k) plan available. Apply in person for an interview between 2p.m.-5p.m. Mon.-Fri. and 11a.m.-3p.m. Sat. & Sun. Applications accepted at any time during business hours. Apply at 657 Sudderth or 1200 Mechem. No phone calls please.

Cattle Baron Restaurants, Inc. is an EOE.

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FRONT DESK CLERK PART-TIME. Weekends and holidays. Experience preferred. No phone calls. Apply in person at PineCliff Village.

GENERAL LABORERS needed for Cablevision Communication, Inc. Call Tabby @ 258-2359 or come by 1092 Mechem to apply.

HOUSEKEEPERS NEEDED for Thursdays and Fridays. Apply at Crown Point Condos 220 Crown Drive

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IMMEDIATE OPENINGS FOR Landscaping and nursery employees. Full time. Call 378-4375 or Apply at Conley's Nursery, Hwy. 70 East, Ruidoso Downs.

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MENTAL HEALTH/Substance Abuse Therapists Community Mental Health Center seeking Mental Health/Substance Abuse Therapists to provide services to adolescents and adults in our Alamogordo and Ruidoso offices. Masters degree and New Mexico independent license required for Mental Health Therapist. LADAC with BA accepted for CD clients (LPC a plus). The Counseling Center offers a challenging multidisciplinary team-working environment with competitive salaries and excellent fringe benefits. Send resume and letter of interest to The Counseling Center, ATTN: Human Resources, 1900 E. 10th Street, Alamogordo, NM 88310. 437-7404 Position open until filled. EOE

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NAIL TECH. Experience preferred. 7p time. Assume existing clientele. Call Diane at 257-7777

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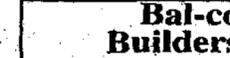
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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF LIEN SALE

AGI MINI STORAGE Unit #23 & Unit #24 Misc. Household Items Last known owner: John W. Andrews 104 Deer Park Road P.O. Box 505 Alto, NM 88312 LIEN SALE WILL BE HELD: Date: Monday, Dec. 4, 2000 Time: 10:00 a.m. Terms: Cash Only Location: AGI Mini Storage 501 Carrizo Canyon Road Ruidoso, NM 88345

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV 00-162

BANK ONE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE (aka THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF CHICAGO AS TRUSTEE),

Plaintiff,

vs.

KIM NELSON, PEGGY NELSON aka PEGGY TRUEBLOOD, and TMS MORTGAGE INC., dba THE MONEY STORE,

Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on November 21, 2000, at the hour of 10:30 a.m., the undersigned Special Master will, at the northeast entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, New Mexico, sell all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendant(s) in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 105 Clover Drive in Ruidoso, and is situated in Lincoln County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

LOT 14, BLOCK 4 OF GREEN MEADOWS ADDITION, RUIDOSO, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN BY THE PLAT THEREOF FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF LINCOLN COUNTY, AUGUST 29, 1958, IN TUBE NO. 168.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above-entitled and numbered cause on October 2, 2000, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above-described property.

The Plaintiff's judgement which includes interest and costs, is \$83,089.34 and the same bears interest at the rate of Ten Point One Two Five Percent (10.125%) per annum from October 16, 2000. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$852.60. The Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgement to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN

that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above-described real property subject to a one (1) month right of redemption.

/s/ Nick Vega, Special Master Nick Vega P.O. Box 353 Carrizozo, NM 88301

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LEGAL NOTICE

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Qualifications based competitive sealed proposals for Professional Services will be received by the Contracting Agency, The Village of Ruidoso, 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, NM 88345 for RFP #00-002.

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Drive, Ruidoso, NM 88345 for RFP #00-001.

The Contracting Agency is requesting Engineering Services for Water and Sewer Improvements.

Proposals will be received at Village of Ruidoso Purchasing Warehouse located at 421 Wingfield, Ruidoso, NM 88345 until 5:00 pm local time, Thursday, November 30, 2000. Submitted proposals shall not be publicly opened. Any proposals received after closing time will be rejected and returned unopened. The fact that a proposal was dispatched will not be considered.

Copies of the Request can be obtained in person at the office of the Purchasing Agent at 421 Wingfield or will be mailed upon written or telephone request to Morris McGowan, Purchasing Agent, at (505) 257-2721.

The Village of Ruidoso reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and waive all informalities as deemed in the best interest of the Village.

/s/ Morris McGowan Village of Ruidoso Purchasing Agent

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LEGAL NOTICE

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Qualifications based competitive sealed proposals for Professional Services will be received by the Contracting Agency, The Village of Ruidoso, 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, NM 88345 for RFP #00-002.

The Contracting Agency is requesting Engineering Services for Airport Improvements at Sierra Blanca Regional Airport.

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/s/ Morris McGowan Village of Ruidoso Purchasing Agent

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-00-130

FIRST HORIZON HOME LOAN CORPORATION fka Mortgage Companies dba Sunbelt National Mortgage,

Plaintiff,

vs.

MITCHELL B. STIRMAN aka M. BRETT STIRMAN aka BRETT STIRMAN, VALERIE ANN NARAMORE aka VALERIE A. NARAMORE fka VALERIE A. STIRMAN aka VALERIE STIRMAN and NORTHWEST BANK NEW MEXICO, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,

Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on December 13, 2000, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., the undersigned Special Master will, at the northeast entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, New Mexico, sell all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendant(s) in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at Oak Drive, Capitlan, New Mexico and is situated in Lincoln County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot 8, Block 2 of LOMA GRANDE ACRES, Unit Two, Lincoln County, New Mexico as shown by the plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk and Ex-Officio Recorder of Lincoln County, New Mexico, on June 7, 1972, in Tube No. 448.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above-entitled and numbered cause on October 31, 2000, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above-described property. The Plaintiff's judgement, which includes interest and costs is \$65,898.27 and the same bears interest at eight percent (8%) per annum from October 16, 2000. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$851.96.

The Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgement to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above-described real property subject to a one (1) month right of redemption.

/s/ Nick Vega, Special Master Nick Vega P.O. Box 353 Carrizozo, NM 88301

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NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above-described real property subject to a one (1) month right of redemption.

Nick Vega, Special Master P.O. Box 353 CARRIZOZO, NM 88301

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LEGAL NOTICE

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Eastern Area Workforce Development Board, of the State of New Mexico is accepting proposals for One-Stop Operator services. All proposals will be accepted until 10:00 a.m. on December 29, 2000. Complete specifications may be obtained from Pyramid Services Corporate Office, 115 South Florida Avenue, Suite C, Alamogordo, New Mexico or by calling (505) 434-0239.

A mandatory pre-proposal conference is scheduled on November 28th, 2000 at 10:00 a.m. at the Roswell Airport, 2nd Floor Conference Room, 1 Jerry Smith Circle, Roswell, New Mexico. Bidders MUST ATTEND THE CONFERENCE.

The Eastern Area Workforce Development Board of the State of New Mexico, reserves the right to accept/reject any or all proposals and to waive any or all technicalities.

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LEGAL NOTICE

RESOLUTION #2-2001

UPPER HONDO SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

OPEN MEETINGS RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Section 10-15-1(B) of the Open Meetings Act (Sections 10-15-1) through 10-15-4 NMSA 1978) states that, except as may be otherwise provided in the Constitution or the provisions of the Open Meetings Act, all meetings of a quorum of members of any board, commission or other policy-making body of any state agency held for the purpose of formulating public policy, discussing public business or for the purpose of taking any action within the authority of such board, commission or other policy-making body, are declared to be public meetings open to the public at all times; and

WHEREAS, any meetings subject to the Open Meetings Act at which the discussion or adoption of any proposed resolution, rule, regulation or formal action occurs shall be held only after reasonable notice to the public; and

WHEREAS, Section 10-15-1(D) of the Open Meetings Act requires the Upper Hondo Soil and Water Conservation District to determine annually what constitutes reasonable notice of its public meetings;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Upper Hondo SWCD on this 2nd day of November, 2000, that:

1. Regular meetings of the Upper Hondo SWCD shall ordinarily be held on the first Thursday of each month at 4:00 p.m. at the District Office located on Smokey Bear Boulevard (Hwy) 380 West-Forest Service Complex, Capitlan, NM. A proposed agenda will be available from the Program Director. Notice of regular meetings will be given seven days before the meeting to parties who request it in writing. Notice of regular meetings will be released seven days before each regular meeting. Meeting dates for 2001 are: January 4, February 1, March 1, April 5, May 3, June 7, July 5, August 2, September 6, October 4, November 1, December 6.

2. Special meetings of the Upper Hondo SWCD may be called by the Chairman or a majority of the members upon seven days notice. Parties who have requested notice of meetings in writing will be notified by telephone. The Lincoln County and Ruidoso News will be notified by telephone.

3. Emergency meetings of the district are meetings called under circumstances which demand immediate action by the Board of Supervisors. Although the board of supervisors would avoid emergency meetings whenever possible, such circumstances may occasionally arise. Emergency meetings may be called by the Chairman or a majority of the members upon three

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hours notice. Parties who have requested a notice of meetings in writing will be notified by telephone. Notice of emergency meetings will be posted at the district office, at the Post Office in Capitlan, at Ruidoso State Bank in Capitlan, at the Post Office at Ruidoso, and other pertinent places.

4. Pursuant to Section 10-16-1 (E) NMSA 1978, the Upper Hondo SWCD may close a meeting to the public if the subject matter of such discussion of action is included in Subsection E of the Open Meetings Act, Section 10-15-1 NMSA 1978. If any Board of Supervisors meeting is closed pursuant to Section 10-15-1 (E) NMSA, such closure:

(1) If made in an open meeting and the vote of each individual member is to be recorded in the minutes. Only those subjects announced or voted upon prior to closure by the Board of Supervisors may be discussed in a closed meeting; and

(2) If called for when the Board of Supervisors is not in an open meeting, the closed meeting shall not be held until public notice, appropriate under the circumstance, stating the specific provision of law authorizing the closed meeting is given to the members and to the general public.

John A. Cooper, Chairman

DATE: November 2, 2000

This resolution passed upon motion by Mary Shanks and seconded by Jerry Burchett with vote as follows:

John A. Cooper Yes

James Sanchez Yes

Jerry Burchett Yes

Sally Canning Yes

Mary Shanks Yes

Robert Runnels Absent

Stan Thomas Absent

ATTEST: Greg Hauswiler

DATE: 11-02-2000

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-00-019

CONTINGENT CORPORA-TION,

Plaintiff,

vs.

RACHEL HARGROVE aka RACHEL HARGROVE JACKSON, KELLY JACKSON aka KELLY SHANE JACKSON, JESSIE LOU LOCKE, and VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO,

Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on December 13, 2000, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., the undersigned Special Master will, at the northeast entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, New Mexico, sell all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendant(s) in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 140 Paradise Canyon Road in Ruidoso, and is situated in Lincoln County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

LOT 2-A-B, BLOCK 14, OF PALMER GATEWAY SUBDIVISION, RUIDOSO, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN BY THE REPEAT OF LOT 1A AND LOT 2A, BEING A PEPLAT OF LOT 1 AND THE WESTERLY 75.0 FEET OF LOT 2 AND THE LOCKE TRACT, BLOCK 14, PALMER GATEWAY, SUBDIVISION, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO RECORDER OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, ON NOVEMBER 20, 1990, IN CABINET E, SLIDE NO. 207.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above-entitled and numbered cause on November 8, 2000, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above-described property. The Plaintiff's judgement, which includes interest and costs, is \$62,209.48 and the same bears interest at Fourteen Point Six Two Percent (14.62%) per annum from October 31, 2000. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$1,059.35. The Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgement to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN

that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above-described real property subject to a one (1) month right of redemption.

/s/ Nick Vega, Special Master Nick Vega P.O. Box 353 Carrizozo, NM 88301

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ed and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser of such sale shall take title to the above-described real property subject to a one (1) month right of redemption.

/s/ Nick Vega Nick Vega P.O. Box 353 Carrizozo, NM 88301

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

NOTICE is hereby given that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners will hold a Special meeting on Thursday, November 30, 2000 at 8:00 P.M. to be held at the Ruidoso Convention Center, 111 Sierra Blanca Drive, in Ruidoso, New Mexico. The purpose of this meeting is to consider the following item and any other proper business that comes before the Board:

1. Public Hearing to consider revisions to the Lincoln County Subdivision Regulations Ordinance No. 1999-01.

Copies of the agenda for the November 30, 2000 meeting will be available at the office of the County Manager prior to said meeting.

Auxiliary aides are available upon request; please contact Martha Guevara at (505) 848-2395 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting to make any necessary arrangements.

/s/ Martha Guevara Assistant County Manager

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LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Lincoln County Enhanced 911 Committee will hold their regular meeting on Wednesday, December 6, 2000. The meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m. in the Commissioner's meeting room of the County Courthouse in Carrizozo, New Mexico.

Purpose of the meeting is to continue with the naming of roads in the county with no names or those with duplicate names for E-911 Rural Addressing purposes.

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

Auxiliary aides are available upon request; please contact 648-2385 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting to make any necessary arrangements.

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE is hereby given that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners shall hold a Public Hearing beginning at 6:00 P.M. on Thursday, November 30, 2000, to be held at the Ruidoso Convention Center, 111 Sierra Blanca

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Drive, in Ruidoso, New Mexico, to consider the following:

Proposed Ordinance to consider revisions to the Lincoln County Subdivision Regulations Ordinance No. 1999-01

All parties and interested citizens will have the opportunity to be heard. Copies of proposed revisions may be obtained from the County Manager's Office at the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting.

/s/ Martha Guevara Assistant County Manager

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LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on August 21, 2000, Ruidoso Municipal Schools, 200 Horton Circle, Ruidoso, NM 88345, filed application No. 01679 & H-485-B into H-272-S-8 thru H-272-S-8 with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to temporarily change point of diversion and place and/or purpose of use from surface to groundwater by ceasing the diversion of 19.2 acre-feet per annum of surface waters of the Rio Ruidoso via the Hale Ditch South which diverts at a point located in the SW1/4NW1/4NW1/4 of Section 29, Township 11 South, Range 14 East, N.M.P.M., and supplemental shallow well H-485-B located in the SW1/4NW1/4SE1/4 of Section 21, Township 11 South, Range 14 East, N.M.P.M., and ceasing the irrigation of 6.0 acres of land located in part of the SE1/4 of Section 21, Township 11 South, Range 14 East, N.M.P.M. Applicant proposes to commence the use of the following existing shallow wells:

WELL NO. H-272-S-8 SUBDIVISION NW1/4NE1/4NE1/4 SECTION 15 TOWNSHIP 11S RANGE 13E

WELL NO. H-272-S-7 SUBDIVISION SW1/4NE1/4SE1/4 SECTION 14 TOWNSHIP 11S RANGE 13E

WELL NO. H-272-S-6 SUBDIVISION SE1/4NW1/4SW1/4 SECTION 14 TOWNSHIP 11S RANGE 13E

for the diversion of up to 19.2 acre-feet per annum of shallow groundwater for the irrigation of 6.0 acres of land located in part of the NE1/4 of Section 10 and part of the NE1/4 of Section 15, all in Township 11 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M.

The move-from points of diversion are located approximately 4 1/2 miles east of Ruidoso. The move-to points of diversion are located within the Ruidoso Village limits, Lincoln County, New Mexico, N.M.P.M.

This is a temporary application, for a period of ten years, with all rights to revert to the original points of diversion and place of use on August 31, 2010, subject to an earlier reversion by written request of the owner.

Any person, firm or corporation

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tion or other entity objecting that the granting of the application will be detrimental to the objector's water right shall have standing to file objections or protests. Any person, firm or corporation of other entity objecting that the granting of the application will be contrary to the conservation of water within the state or detrimental to the public welfare of the state and showing that the objector will be substantially and specifically affected by the granting of the application shall have standing to file objections or protests. Provided, however, that the State of New Mexico or any of its branches, agencies, departments, boards, instrumentalities or institutions, and all political subdivisions of the state and their agencies, instrumentalities and institutions shall have standing to file objections or protests. The objections or protests shall be in writing and shall set forth specific reasons why the application should not be approved and must be filed, in triplicate, with Thomas C. Turney, State Engineer, 1900 W. Second Street, Roswell, New Mexico 88201, not later than ten (10) days after the date of the last publication of this Notice. If no valid objection or protest is filed, the State Engineer will evaluate the application for impairment to existing water rights, public welfare of the state and conservation of water within the state.

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LEGAL NOTICE

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO

TERRY LEE BROADDRICK

Petitioner,

vs.

DARRELL WAYNE BROADDRICK

Respondent.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT

TO: Darrell Wayne Broaddrick, Respondent

GREETINGS:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that there has been filed in the District Court of Lincoln County, State of New Mexico, a certain cause of action wherein Terry Broaddrick is the Petitioner and you are the Respondent, the same being Cause No. DM-00-88, Division III.

The object and purpose of the said suit is grant a divorce the Petitioner.

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that unless you enter your appearance or file pleadings herein on or before 1/30/01, the Petitioner will make application to the Court for a Decree by Default will be rendered against you as prayed for in the petition.

The name of the Plaintiff's attorney is Charles E. Hawthorne, and whose address is 1086 Mechem, Suite 302, Ruidoso, New Mexico, 88345.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico this day of October, 2000.

/s/ Jan Perry DISTRICT COURT CLERK LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

By: Elizabeth Ysasi Deputy

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NOTICE
 THE RUIDOSO NEWS WILL BE CLOSED THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2000

EARLY DEADLINES FOR FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2000 ARE:
 LEGALS-MONDAY, 11/20 @ 4:00 PM
 DISPLAY AND CLASSIFIED DISPLAY TUESDAY, 11/21 @ 3:00 PM
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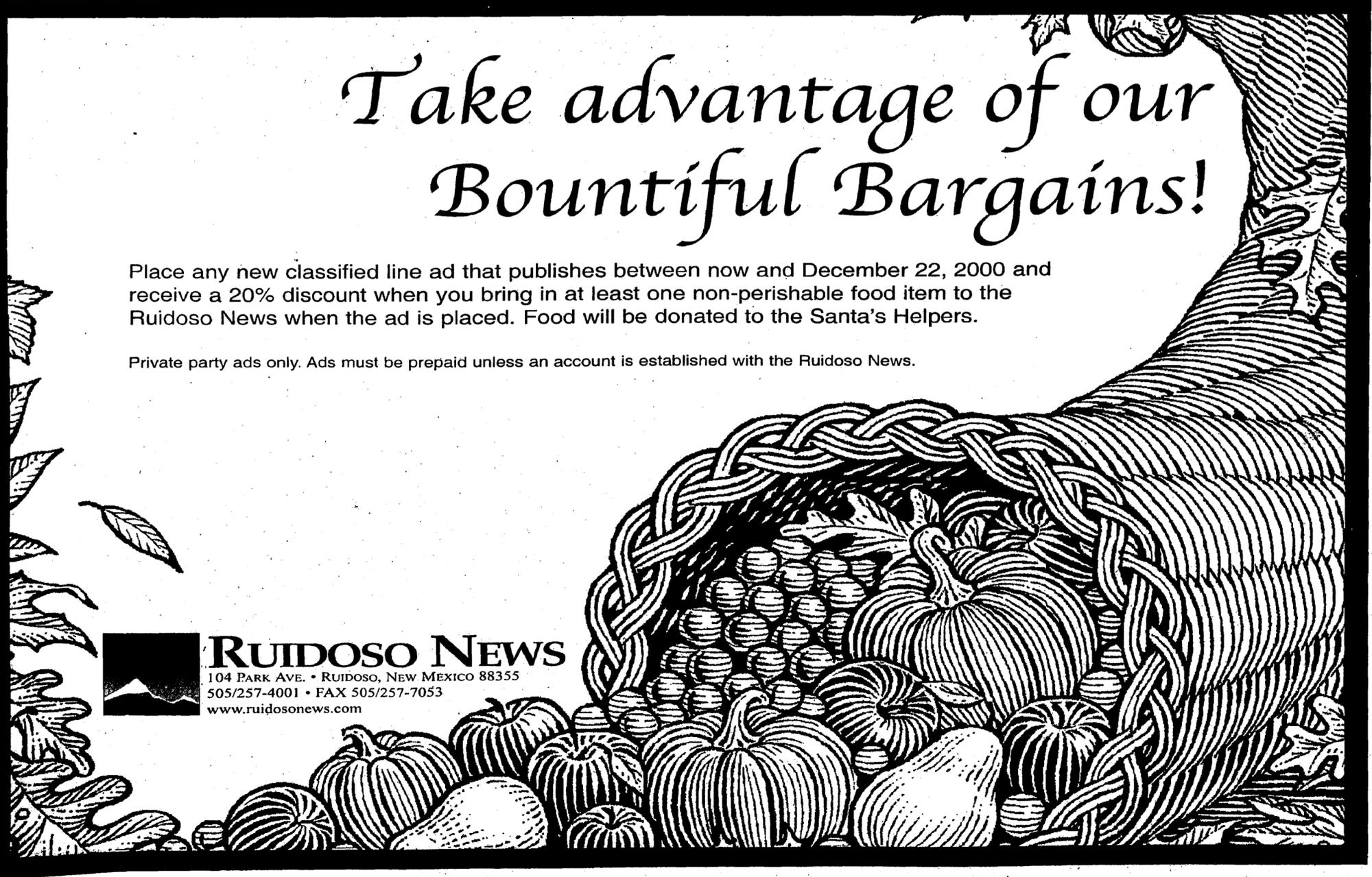
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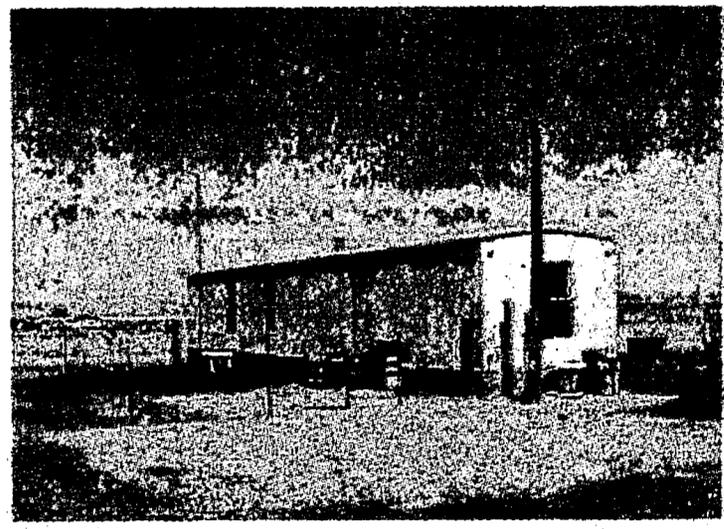
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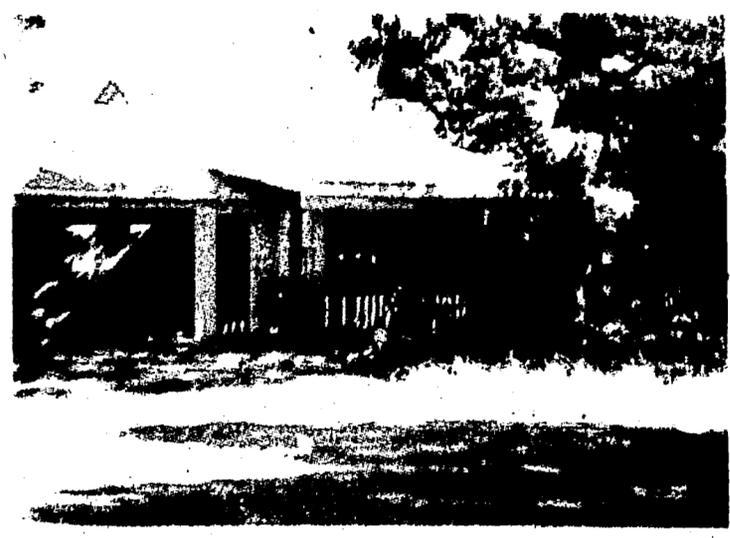
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Lakeside Estates

Smith • \$160,000 • 304 Buena Vista Drive

3 bdrms, 2 bath on 1.01 acre. Big Sierra Blanca view. Full golf membership adjoining lot 6 with no membership, included. Super nice deck.



High Mesa

Benson • \$186,000 • 114 High Mesa Lane

3 bdrm, 3 bath on a heavily wooded lot located on cul-de-sac, like new. Dog run, security system. Satellite dish. Full golf membership.



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Yates • \$550,000 • 632 Midiron Drive

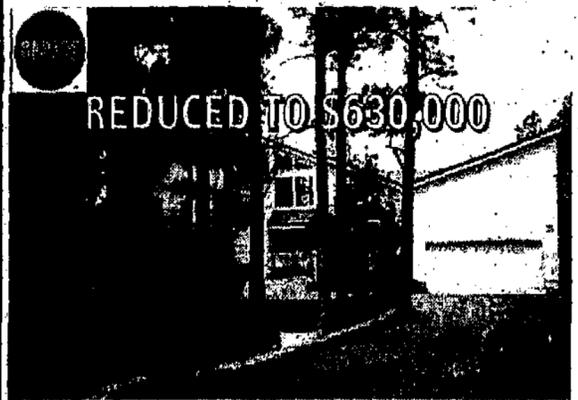
3 bdrm, 2 1/2 bath. Beautiful log home on 1.52 acres. Full golf membership. Overlooking #12 green. Refrigerated air - cherrywood cabinets, cedar closet, Sierra Blanca view and Capitans. 3 car garage.

New Construction

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Blaugrund • \$250,000 • Country Club Condos #A5

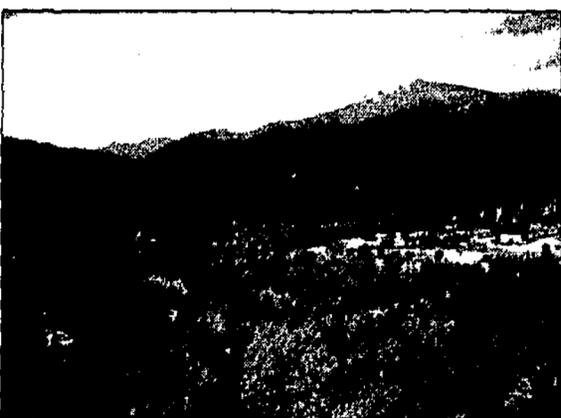
Full golf, on the golf course. 3 bdrm, 2 baths, nice patio and refrigerated air.



New Mexico State University Property

\$225,000 • 411 College Drive

BACK ON MARKET! Twenty acre tract with 2100+ sq. ft. building in village limits - city water available - many possibilities.



Lookout Estates

Atcheson • \$164,900 • Unit D-1, 220 Lookout Dr.

3 bdrm., 2 1/4 bath upstairs; 2 bdrm., 2 1/4 bath down. Downstairs rents for \$900 a month. Furnished - view of Sierra Blanca, golf course and the river!



Airport West

Harkins • \$53,900 • 405 Del Norte Dr.

Furnished 3 bdrm., 2 bath older mobile with covered deck. Nice views - owner may finance!



Country Club Estates

Cooper • \$117,500 • 306 Hull Drive

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Country Club Estates

Carey • \$289,000 • 100 La Luz

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Sunny Slope

Reyes • \$225,000 • 205 White Mtn. Meadows Dr.

New 4 bdrm, 3 bath stucco with 1 year warranty. A must see. 2870 sq. ft.



High Sites Subdivision

Hale • \$125,000 • 103 Monica's Court

Three bedroom, 2 bath with large fenced 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 kept in immaculate condition. A must see family home!



O.P. Addition Capitan

Ford • \$65,000 • 302 Lincoln Avenue

Two bedroom, 2 bath 1976 modular on 3 lots, RV pad and hookup, 16x14 heated work room off garage.



Gavilan Acres

Rhodes • \$65,000 • North Road

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Ponderosa Heights

Cooper • \$98,500 • 122 Aspen Circle

Three bedrooms, 2 baths. Excellent renter. Home is 1 level. 2-car garage. Motivated seller.



Pinon Park Condo's

Long • \$79,900 • Unit #C7

2 bdrm, 1 1/2 bath, completely remodeled July 2000. New carpet, paint, appliances, furniture and new wet bar.

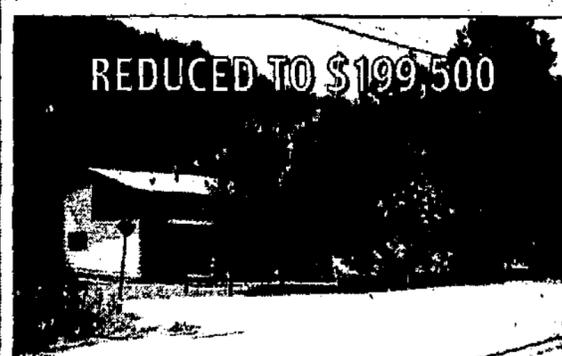


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White Mountain Meadows

Radziewicz • ~~\$248,500~~ • 110 Coker Lane

Three bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, 2-car garage, fenced yard. Hardwood floors - nice hobby or office room downstairs. Large bedrooms - bright interior - Victorian styled. A must see home!

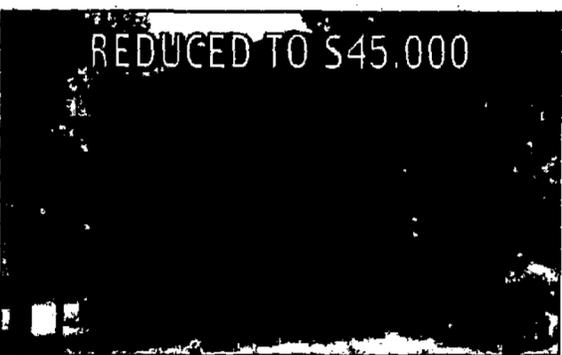


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Carrizo Canyon Road

Garnett • \$212,000 • Carrizo Canyon Road

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Spring Park

Green • \$49,950 • 242 Mountain View Dr.

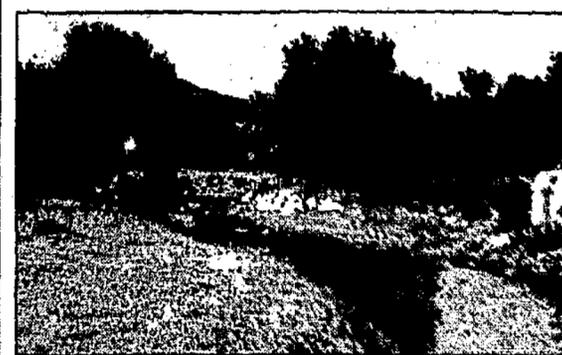
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Alto Alps

Plumlee • \$159,500 • #48 Alto Alps Condo

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Valley

Lewicki • \$50,000 • 11+ acres on River

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Skyland Subdivision Graves Ent. • \$475,000 • 1605 Sudderth Dr.

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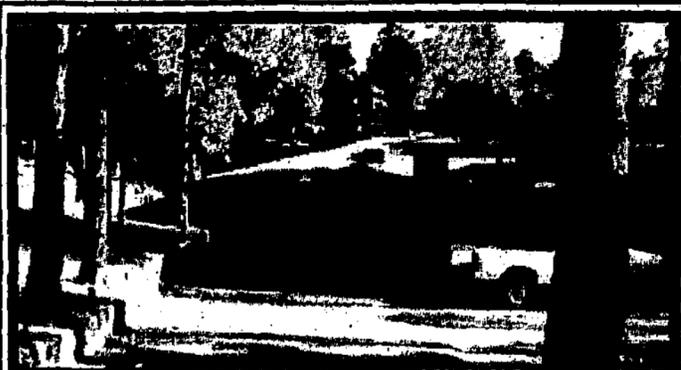
Hillside Addition Casey • \$285,000 • 102 Cedar Creek Court

Across from Cree Meadows CC on private cul-de-sac. 5 bdrms, 2 full baths, 2 levels. Great for entertaining lots of windows - comes completely furnished. Even has new tooth brushes.



North Cedar Creek Duran • \$235,000 • N. Cedar Creek Rd.

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.



Young Heights Graves • \$499,500 • 116 Grove Dr.

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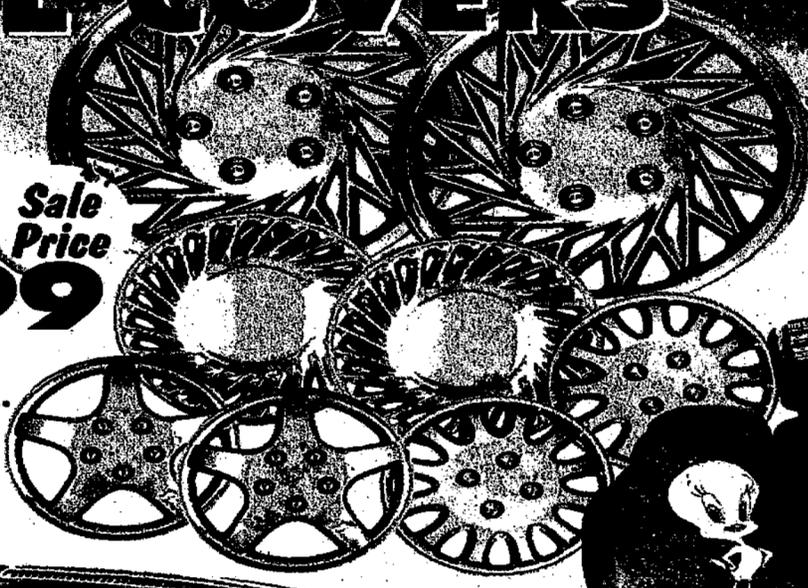
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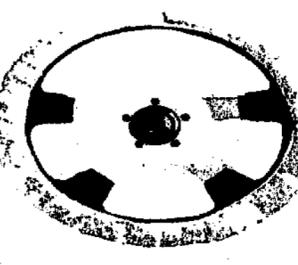


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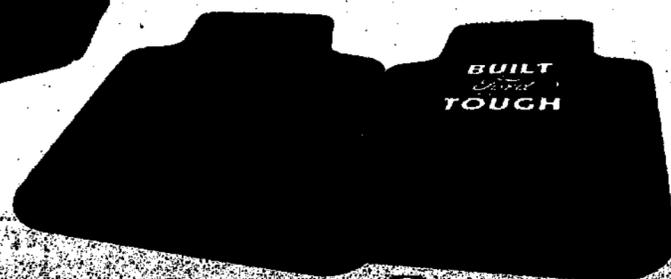


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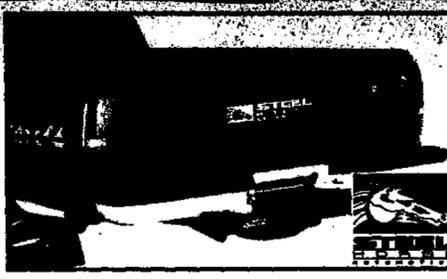
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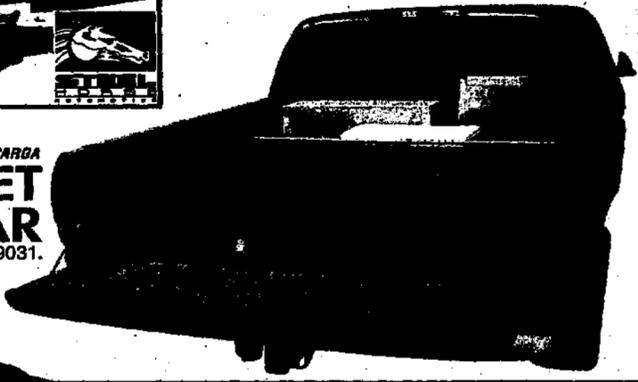
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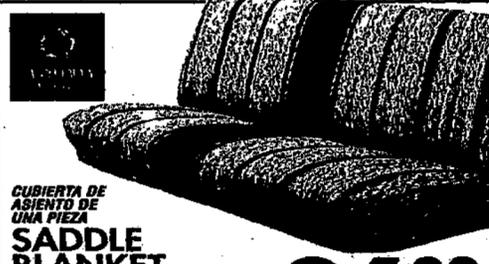
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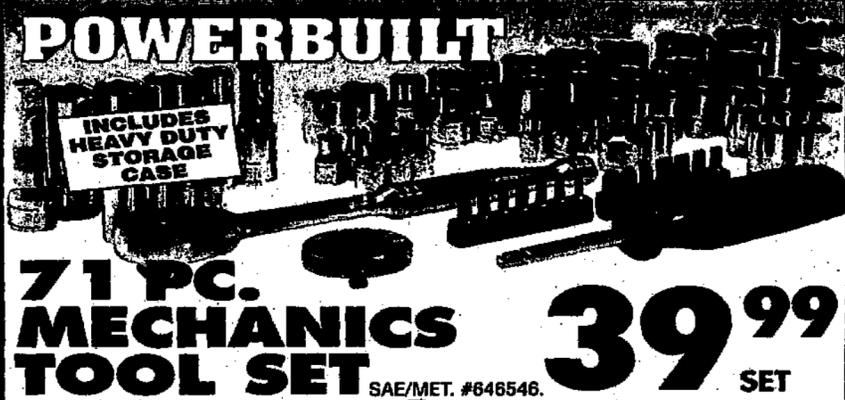
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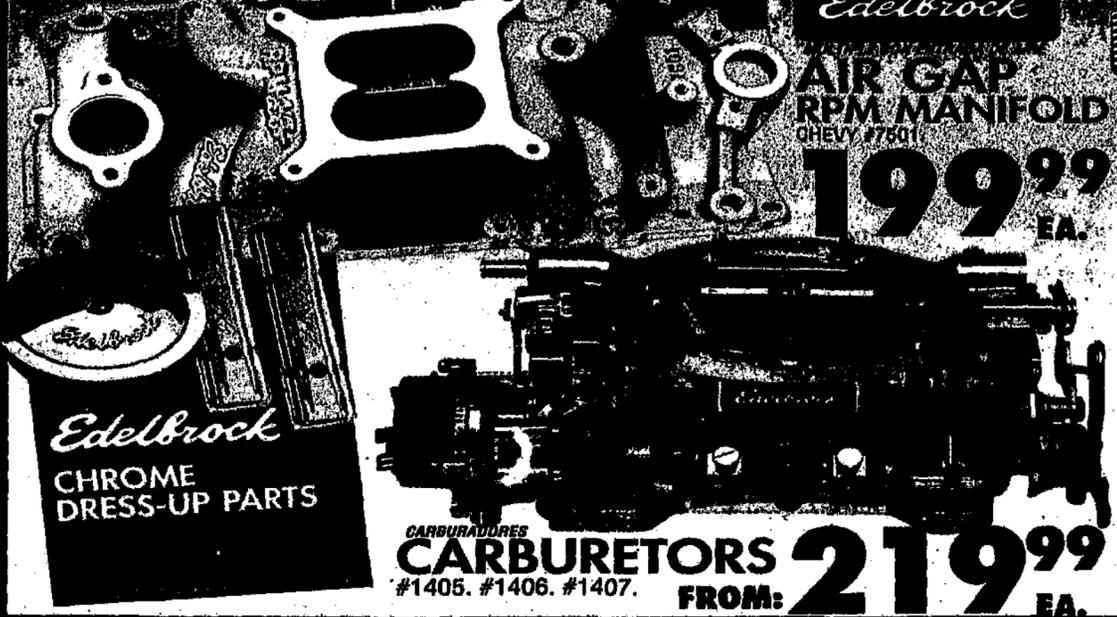


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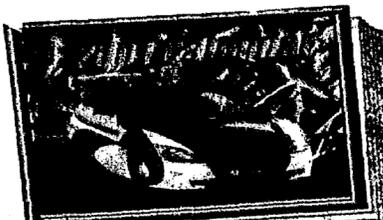
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