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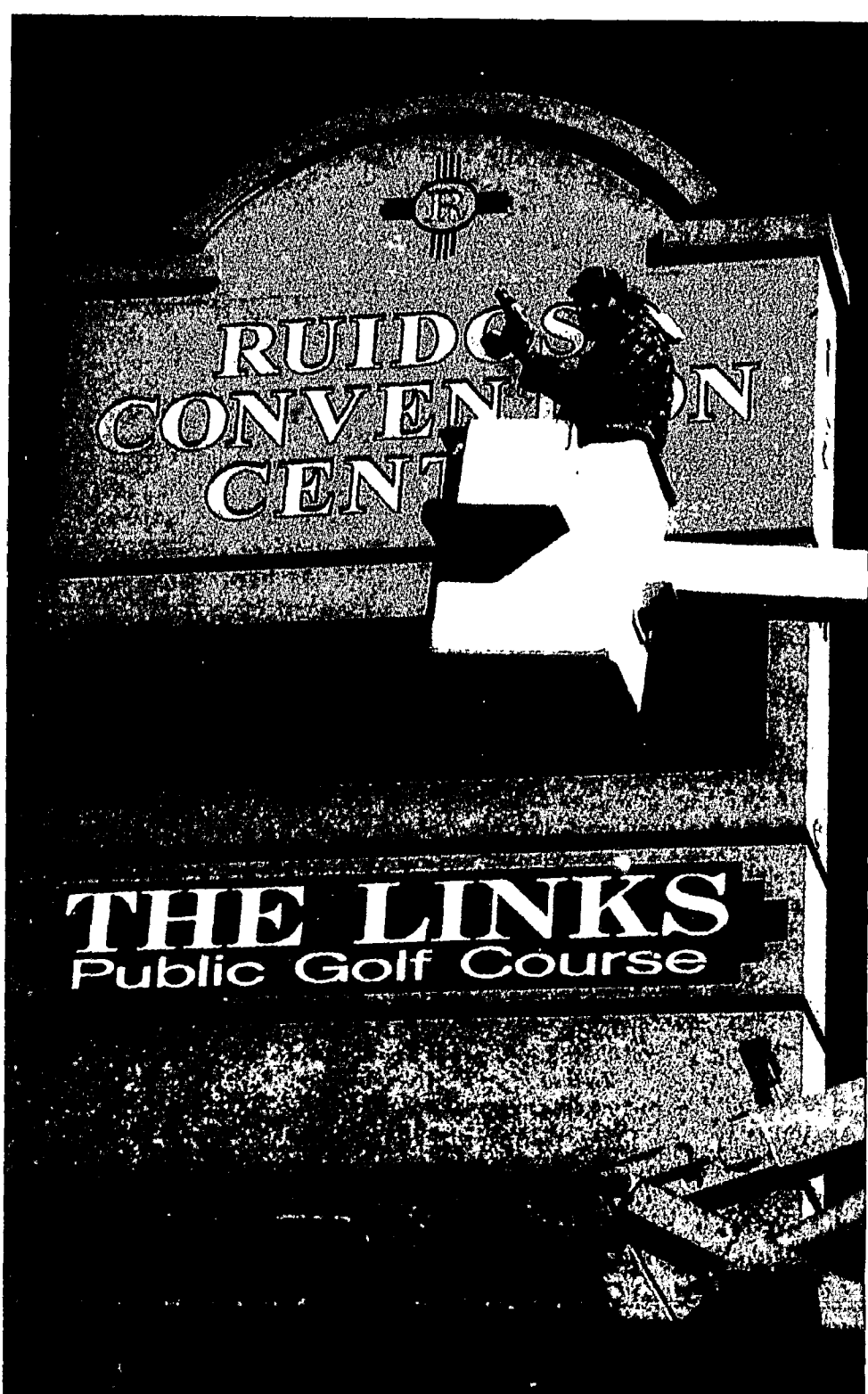
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The message was clear: It was maintenance time Thursday for the display sign at the entrance to the Ruidoso Convention Center. Sign technician Jeff Ammons said he was "up" to the task.

Lawmaker: Pardon the Kid

Governor feels it's too late to restore Billy's rights

Billy the Kid died 120 years ago and a Las Cruces politician says it's time to pardon the outlaw for his crimes.

State Rep. Ben Rios, a Democrat, asked state lawmakers to consider a pardon for the infamous Kid who roamed the hills around the historic settlement of Lincoln and drew his gun as a "regulator" on the side of John Tunstall during the Lincoln County War of 1878.

If legislators agree, the nonbinding proposal to pardon Henry McCarty, also known as William H. Bonney or Billy the Kid, would go to Gov. Gary Johnson.

A spokesman for Johnson's office said pardons are intended to restore a person's civil rights and it's too late for Billy.

Lincoln County Sheriff Tom Sullivan said the proposal "is the dumbest thing I've ever heard."

The sheriff said, "As far as I'm concerned, Billy was nothing but a glorified cop killer responsible for the murder of Sheriff William Brady and deputies George Hindman, Robert Olinger and James Bell. I have a real problem with that."

Local historian Drew Gomer with the Hubbard Museum of the American West said before people start fighting about pardons, "they need to understand the history of the area and the Lincoln County War."

He pointed out that Billy was one of six people shooting at sheriff Brady and Hindman, but there is no dispute that he shot the other two deputies during his escape from jail in Lincoln.

Police department's move near complete

BY JAMES KAIVELAGE
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Ruidoso's police department should, later this month, see all its divisions in the new law enforcement complex on Mechem Drive. The delayed effort to move the dispatch and communications center from the old police station will cost an additional \$27,975.

The Ruidoso Village Council Tuesday approved a change order with Key Communications Inc. that will microwave voice and data communications to and from the Mechem Drive station.

"It actually will be a cost savings," said Lanny G. Maddox, police chief. "We'll have the ability to send data to village hall on the microwave. That will end an expensive telephone line. In the long run, we will save some money."

Along with the police department move to the former Moncor Bank building on Mechem Drive, plans had called for a communications tower at the new police complex. Some resident opposition surfaced over the plan for a tower at the site.

Village officials and Key Communications then ex-

plored alternatives.

"Because of the inefficiency in modem and phone lines it was decided to go with microwave," Alan Briley, village manager, said in a memorandum to the mayor and village councilors. "Being that microwave is line of sight, a middle area between the old and new police buildings is somewhere here near village hall. If the microwave link is here, we can use the other half of the signal to carry the computer lines that hook the main computer here at village hall with the police department."

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Lanny G. Maddox,
Ruidoso police chief

Briley said to run high-speed data lines between village hall and the new police station would cost \$2,622 to connect and a monthly charge of \$325. The microwave system would pay for itself in seven years.

Maddox said police radio communications will travel by microwave from the roof of the new police station, to the roof of the Ruidoso Public Library next to village hall, and from there to the present transmitter tower behind the old police station. He hoped to see the system in place in two or three weeks, completing the move of the entire department's staff to the new facility.

Counties seek more control over forests

Bill pending in Legislature would allow clearing, thinning

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
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The first bill introduced on the Senate side of the aisle in New Mexico's Legislature this year would give county commissioners power under an emergency declaration to take actions necessary to clear and thin forests.

Although State Sen. Manny Aragon (D-Bernalillo), who introduced the bill, could not be reached for comment, the chairman of the Lincoln County Commission said the bill is a response to resolutions sent by several counties seeking a faster reaction to the call to thin forests near urban areas at high risk of fire.

Several amendments dealing with the more technical and legal issues are being attached, said Commission Chairman Rex Wilson. Language laying blame on the U.S. Forest Service for forest overgrowth is being removed.

"I'm pretty sure that language is being thrown out," he said Thursday. "It's time to look forward to what

"It's time to look forward to what we're going to do to eliminate the problem."

Rex Wilson,
Lincoln County Commission

we're going to do to eliminate the problem. That was our approach when we passed a resolution of our own in September."

Lincoln County's resolution wasn't as aggressive as those approved by Otero and some other counties because Lincoln has a good working relationship with its district forest ranger, he said.

The resolution included five points, including asking for a state of emergency to be declared and demanding immediate allocation of money to the Smokey Bear Ranger District to alleviate the dangerous conditions. But while the board in September expressed its support for other counties, commissioners stopped short of threatening to take control and correct conditions in the forest.

State Rep. Dub Williams, a Republican from Glencoe, said the Aragon bill would allow commissioners to manage their own forests.

"It gives a lot of power to commissioners and those I have talked to

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Council OKs RV living as couple builds home

Decision reverses Planning and Zoning board's denial

BY JAMES KAIVELAGE
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Overtaking a Planning and Zoning Commission decision, the Ruidoso Village Council Tuesday allowed property owners to live in a recreational vehicle while building their home.

The reversal of the commission's Aug. 1 denial came on a required two-thirds council vote. It ended a long running appeal where Gerald and Sandi Griep reportedly had been residing in the RV at their construction site in the Camelot Mountain Tracts Subdivision.

Village ordinance prohibits living in a recreational vehicle except in a permitted RV park. A conditional use permit can be issued to allow short-term residency of an RV while a home is under construction.

Questioned by Councilor Linda Flack about the Grieps previously living in the RV while building a different house in Ruidoso, the Grieps' lawyer, David N. Stevens said that house was sold by the Grieps.

"I'm telling you now that Mrs. Griep says the party's over," Stevens responded. "She doesn't want to live in an RV anymore."

"I don't understand why it's such a nasty thing."

Ron Anderson,
village councilor

Mayor Robert Donaldson said "neighbors rule" when it comes to allowing residency in a RV during construction. He agreed with Stevens that such requests need to be decided on a case-by-case basis with input from neighbors. Both agreed allowing a property owner to live in a RV during construction in a densely populated neighborhood would be improper.

"I don't see why it's such a big deal when someone wants to put up a nice RV on a lot, hook up the utilities and build a house," said Councilor Ron Anderson. "I don't understand why it's such a nasty thing."

Council member Bob Sterchi said if it happened in Anderson's neighborhood he would protest.

"It wouldn't bother me at all," Anderson responded. "What is the problem?"

Flack said she was concerned that an approval could set a precedent. She voted against the couple.

Donaldson called the opposing stands of the planning commission and village council "a difference of opinions."

Development issues, scenic views on residents' minds, survey finds

BY JAMES KAIVELAGE
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Ruidoso should consider revising its development regulations, preserve hillsides and forests to protect scenic views and require forest management practices to reduce fire dangers, according to the results of a recent survey.

The results of the Community and Visitors Survey, mailed to full and part-time residents last summer, were tabulated by BRW, a Phoenix based consulting firm.

"The long term solutions," said Nancy Ryan, a senior planner with BRW, "are to look at (traffic) circulation with a bypass,

pedestrian improvements in Midtown, clean up sign clutter, adopt and enforce regulations that reduce the fire danger."

Ryan addressed the Ruidoso Village Council Tuesday.

The questionnaire delved into five visioning categories: land use-environmental, parks-recreation-arts-culture, public facilities-infrastructure, public services-administrative services, and economic development.

"On land uses, 87 percent agreed or strongly agreed on protecting hillsides and forests," Ryan said. "Eighty-five percent

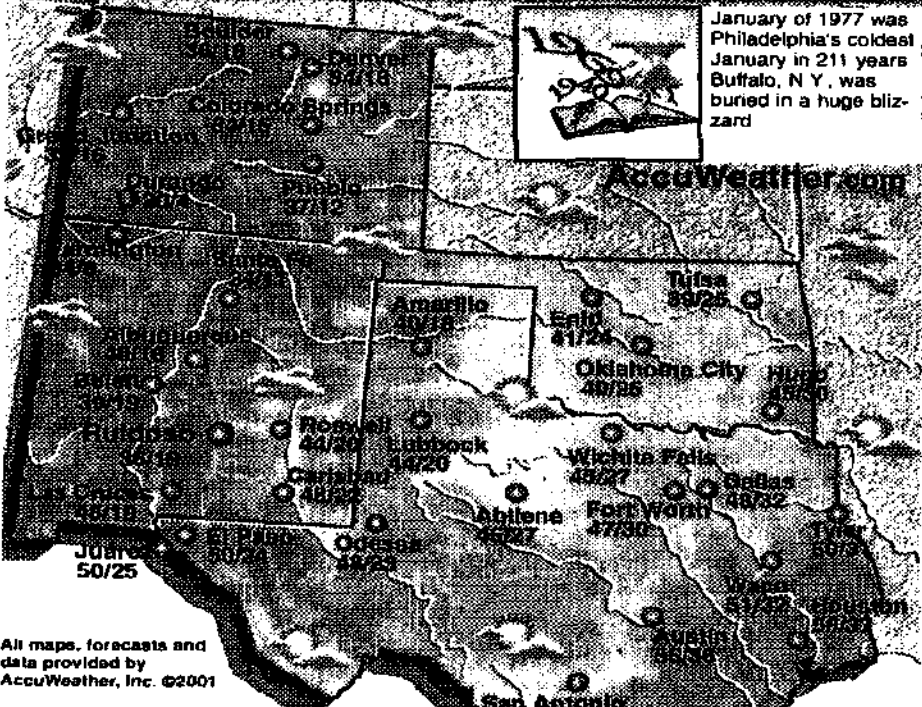
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Clouds, sun	Partly cloudy	Mostly cloudy	Partly sunny	Some sun	Clear, sun	Clouds, sun	Mostly sunny
36°	18°	40°/24°	48°/32°	53°/30°	42°/14°	40°/18°	54°/27°

REGIONAL WEATHER



SUN AND MOON

	Sunrise	Sunset
Wed	6:59 a.m.	5:33 p.m.
Thu	6:58 a.m.	5:34 p.m.
Fri	6:58 a.m.	5:35 p.m.
Sat	6:57 a.m.	5:36 p.m.
Sun	6:56 a.m.	5:37 p.m.

	Moonrise	Moonset
Wed	11:06 a.m.	none
Thu	11:40 a.m.	12:16 a.m.
Fri	12:18 p.m.	1:17 a.m.
Sat	1:02 p.m.	2:22 a.m.
Sun	1:54 p.m.	3:28 a.m.

Shown is
Wednesday's weather.

Temperatures are
Wednesday's highs
and Wednesday
night's lows.

UV INDEX

3 Minimal 4-5 Low 6-7 Moderate 8-9 High 10+ Very High

Values indicate the exposure to the sun's ultraviolet rays

REALFEEL TEMPS

8 a.m.	25°
Noon	36°
4 p.m.	33°
8 p.m.	29°

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



Courtesy
Oscuro, south of Carrizozo. A land and orchard scam killed the town.

L.C. SCRAPBOOK

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

The Capitan Progress
February 1, 1901

Within the next two months there will be more than fifteen substantial residence houses under construction in Capitan.

The new \$12,000 school building will be well under way; the new two story depot

will be assuming proportions, and lesser buildings will be going up in all parts of the town.

Some people who are unacquainted with the town and its surroundings might call this a boom, but Capitan has never had a boom and there is no necessity for one.

There are sufficient natural resources adjacent to the town when developed to support a city of thousands and there is no danger of the town being overdone.

FOREST: Bill would give counties control over fire management practices

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think it would be good to get the attention of the feds," Williams said. "This state has more areas of wildland/urban interface than other states. I don't want to work by trying to intimidate the federal government. I don't want to alienate anyone."

"I hope we all can sit at the table and that all voices should be heard including the Forest Service. We have a forest ranger who is a jewel."

The forest ranger Wilson and Williams complimented is Jerry Hawkes, who heads the Smokey Bear District with offices in Ruidoso.

Hawkes said Wednesday the answer to the problem of improving forest health with thinning and other initiatives is not the state taking over or for the U.S. Forest Service to do it alone.

"We've had a real success in Lincoln where we all work together, the village, the county, the forest service, other agencies and the Mescalero Apache Tribe, to see some real progress," Hawkes said. "From a legal aspect, it's doubtful this will go anywhere."

"In Lincoln County, over the last four to five years, we've made good progress and with the kind of money that's going into the effort now, we're seeing a huge national awareness. In whatever we do, we will listen to the people and get this done."

Jennifer de Garmo, conservation organizer for the Rio Grande chapter of the Sierra Club, said in her opinion, the bill probably is illegal.

"The only people who can give authority to counties to log national forests is the U.S. Department of Agriculture,"

Bill would declare fire disaster areas

As detailed in its original form, a bill introduced by State Sen. Manny Aragon (D-Albuquerque), would declare a disaster in areas of the national forests in the state damaged by fire last summer.

It would call upon the police power of the state to authorize county commissioners to "take actions necessary for clearing and thinning undergrowth and for removing and logging fire-damaged trees."

The basis for the action would be that fire-damaged trees constitute a hazard and need immediate attention.

"The federal government has been reluctant to act in clearing and thinning forests and in removing or logging the fire-damaged trees and such reluctance could result in future fires, causing additional severe economic harm to areas within this state," the bill's author contends.

To avoid additional damage to the public health, safety and welfare, the legislature would declare those burned areas a disaster in addition to areas of potential damage as determined by commissions because of large amounts of forest undergrowth.

Commissioners would be required to consult with state forester, take surveys and conduct hearings to develop a plan to mitigate the effects of the disaster.

Commissioners would be allowed to enter into an agreement with a contractor, licensees or other agents to carry out the purposes.

Employees, contractors, licensees and other agents of the county would have unrestricted access to the national forests, including the use of roads and trails to carry out the assignment, the bill states.

They would not be subject to criminal or civil action while carrying out their duties.

Money received by the county in the form of license fees, royalties or other compensation would first be used to reimburse the county for dollars paid to carry out the provisions of the act.

If any money remained, the excess would be placed in a special fund for needed expenses relating to the management of the national forests to avoid future disasters. Any excess then would be forwarded to the federal government.

she said. "The bill today is considerably different from the original version. A lot of amendments were added and we don't know what the new version looks like that will be going to the floor (for debate and vote)."

"Most of feedback during testimony was that the bill would not be legal. The Forest Service hasn't been able to make building roads for logging a profitable enterprise for them. I don't know why the counties would think they could make it profitable."

Wilson said the bill is based on three issues:

- The public health, safety

and welfare

• Watershed management: "Scientific data shows on a statewide basis, New Mexico is losing something like one million acre feet of water per year" because of lack of thinning, Wilson said. One acre foot equates to about 326,000 gallons of water.

• Economic development: "The forest is a resource for our county," Wilson said.

"This shouldn't be viewed as threatening," he said. "We should be able to take this and do more. The amount of federal dollars coming in is good, but if you spread it over all of the acres that need treatment,

it would take 80 years and by then the growth (of trees) would have been renewed. This really is only a start in the big picture of solving the urban/wildland interface problem."

He complimented Aragon for a factual presentation at a committee hearing earlier in the week in Santa Fe.

"I testified that the Crea Fire (last May resulting in 8,500-acres burned) was significant to us and that Ruidoso was one of the top 10 communities at risk," Wilson said. "To me the bill frees up what we can do. We are an arm of the state government."

DATE BOOK

The following governmental meetings are scheduled for next week in the Ruidoso area.

Monday, Feb. 5:

• 5 p.m., Keep Ruidoso Beautiful Committee, Ruidoso village hall.

Tuesday, Feb. 6:

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

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

Thursday, Feb. 8:

• 4 p.m., Ruidoso Arts

Commission, Ruidoso village hall.

Saturday, Feb. 10:

• 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., Ruidoso Downs Planning and Zoning Committee workshop on zoning

ordinance revisions, Ruidoso Downs village council.

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OUR OPINION

Yellow lines and \$49 reminders

Broad, smooth Mechem Drive in its just-reconstructed splendor is an invitation to push the pedal to the metal and get on down (or up) the road. Many people are doing just that, and on those open four-lane stretches they sometimes can get away with it. But it isn't all four-lane...

Unfortunately, that fine six-mile-long boulevard frequently, and sometimes abruptly, switches to three lanes, with little notice beyond the fact that a yellow line forms the boundary on each side of the middle lane. In those stretches, the middle lane is for left turns only. Absolutely, implicitly and finally — left turns only.

At least 90 drivers in the past few weeks have learned that, much to their sorrow and a \$49 fine. Presumably that total doesn't take into account a few police vehicles that some citizens have spotted using the center line for passing, nor the multiple fine that could come with exceeding the speed limit while illegally passing in the center lane.

We've said it and the mayor has said it: Mechem already is obsolete. Three-lane, traffic-heavy roads are invitations to head-on collisions. Nevertheless, Police Chief Lanny G. Maddox says there'll be no more warning tickets, only the \$49 model. That's to save lives, and that's enough said.

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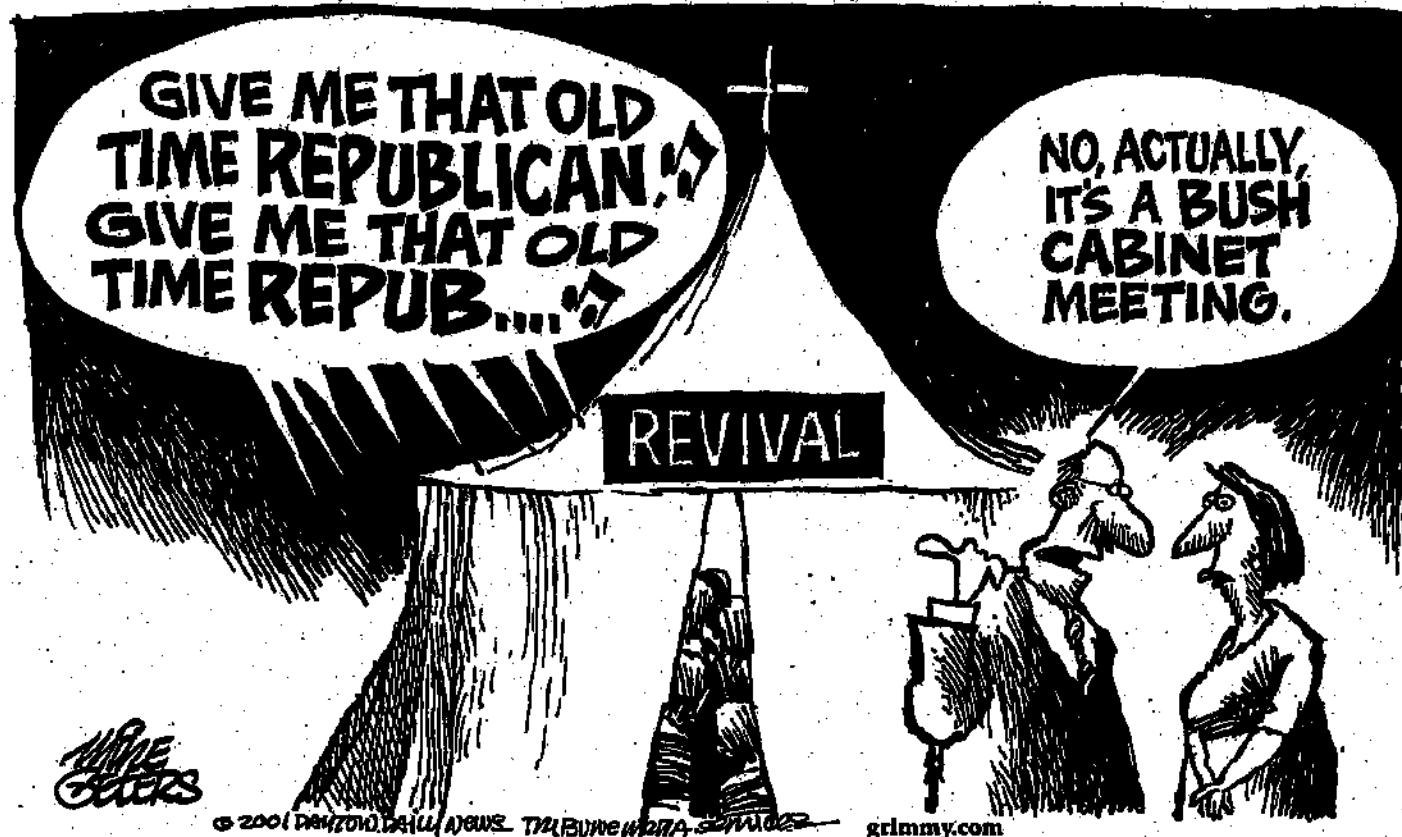
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YOUR OPINION

Celebrating life

To the editor:

Many of us lost a dear friend this week, Katherine Finley. Her passing came suddenly, but the legacy that she has left behind for the rest of us in Lincoln County will have a lasting impact on generations to come.

To appropriately pay trib-

ute to a lady such as Katherine is an awesome task because her gifts and talents literally go off the page. I suspect that when life's first breath was inhaled by this special individual, that she inhaled deeply and took off running to tell the rest of us how special this thing called "life" was — don't waste it and pass this message on to others.

Katherine was a beloved wife, mother, grandmother, educator, activist, volunteer and friend, the likes of whom we will never be graced by again.

It is said that all life should be celebrated. Congratulations, Katherine Finley; you didn't waste a minute of yours and we are all the better for it.

Joan Zagone
Ruidoso

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH

Why a Stradivarius violin sounds so good

COLLEGE STATION, Texas — Consider the Stradivarius violin.

It is prized as a work of art, it costs from \$2 million to \$10 million, and to music lovers, it produces a sound that is priceless — and one that has become something of a mystery.

Why does a Stradivarius sound like no other?

That has been the research focus of Texas A&M University professor Joseph Nagyvary, who is now beginning his 25th year of delving deep into the mysteries of the violin, and whose work has drawn international attention and acclaim, but also a lot of controversy. His work has included making scores of violins, many of which he and other knowledgeable individuals think rival the Stradivarius sound.

The secret of the Stradivarius sound, he believes, starts with the local drug store — the 15th century type. It was there that Italian music maker Antonio Stradivari purchased chemicals used to complete his instruments, most likely upon a recommendation by the store's owner, whoever he was, who deserves much of the credit for the violin's pristine tonal quality.

In other words, Nagyvary's work has concentrated on a chemical approach to the unique Stradivarius sound.

Accordingly, the president

of the American Chemical Society, the world's largest scientific organization (160,000 members), will speak about Nagyvary's groundbreaking work at 8 p.m. on Feb. 12 in the Bush Conference Center during "Decoding the Stradivarius," a program honoring the Texas A&M biochemistry professor.

Dr. Attila Pavlath, head of the prestigious ACS, will discuss Nagyvary's research, and following his remarks, Zina Schiff, a concert violinist, and Nagyvary will give a demonstration of violin music on a Stradivarius and other violins, and give the audience members a "sound test" to determine if they can detect the difference in sound of the instruments.

There will also be a complete recital in which Schiff will alternate her Stradivarius with a new violin made at Texas A&M.

"Dr. Nagyvary has attacked a very interesting area by combining science with music," says Pavlath of the upcoming event.

"It's always been a mystery as to why the best violins make the greatest music. Through years of research, Dr. Nagyvary has tracked down the conditions of the wood and the substances used to treat the violins. He probably knows more about the composition of violins than anyone else in the world."

Nagyvary's research of Stradivarius violins has produced three main reasons for its unique sound: the quality of wood used, the wood filler used along creases and seams and the varnish applied to the finished product.

"I like to compare violin making to pies," he says. "It's the ingredients inside a pie that makes it good or bad. The same is true for a violin. It's the materials that count."

The maple wood Stradivari used is no longer available today, Nagyvary believes, and before the maker carved his wood, he soaked it for long periods of time. Nagyvary has been able to duplicate almost exactly the same technique by using sea water and other salt solutions, and spectroscopic tests have confirmed the results.

The wood filler used by Stradivari was all-important, Nagyvary believes. "He probably used some type of fruit gum that had a crystal powder base to it," he says. "But the druggist should probably get credit there. The drug store owner's role in the sound of a Stradivarius cannot be overstated. We need to give a big cheer for all druggists!"

The last component — the varnish — probably contained particles of powdered glass, porcelain or amber to add stiffness to the wood. Fruit tree extracts were likely used, he believes, in addition to oils.

Stradivarius, Nagyvary believes, made violins that were extremely good, but not necessarily the best ever. "If he were alive today, he'd be known for his marketing skills — he created a mystique about his violins and convinced people they were the best in the world, and priced them accordingly," he adds.

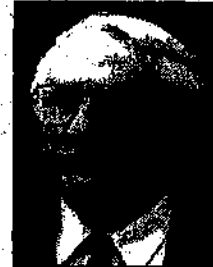
A minor miracle

A team of book-lovers in Capitan is continuing its minor miracle — building a respectable public library out of sheer fortitude and hard work.

Now the Capitan Public Library has achieved a major

breakthrough. By the end of next month, the library collection should be housed in a former adobe church built in 1924 on the southeast corner of Lincoln and Second Street, just a few yards south of the present building.

MOUNTAIN ASIDES



BY KEITH GREEN
RUIDOSO NEWS

"Amazing" was the word Pat Garrett this week (No, not the Pat Garrett who killed Billy). She's the acting librarian and one of five volunteers who've qualified as library "techs." That means they can teach the library open and certified by the state. None receive pay.

The library board for the past few years has been raising money to get quarters bigger than the store front next to Village Hall now housing the library. Meanwhile, the former church had been remodeled, complete with a sunny addition, put on the market as a residence, and sold. But not occupied.

Then, Garrett said, not long ago a long-time patron donated \$30,000 to the growing (but not fast enough) building fund. With the help of a real estate agent and the willingness of the out-of-state owner of the old church building to carry the mortgage, the board took the plunge.

Garrett said the deal is essentially complete (although the down payment cleaned out the building fund) and the library should be open and running before the end of March.

"Right now we're looking for donated materials and labor to do some necessary changes," she said. "And the building fund drive will continue, of course."

The new library, with about 2,400 square feet of floor space, provides a good three times the space of the present building. Pleasing to Garrett, particularly, is a basement that will provide working and storage space.

Right now, Capitan's library is open every Tuesday, Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. It's open until 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday and until 5:30 p.m. on Thursday.

The community will get a preview look at the new library space later this month when the library board and all those volunteers host an open house. And the miracle continues.

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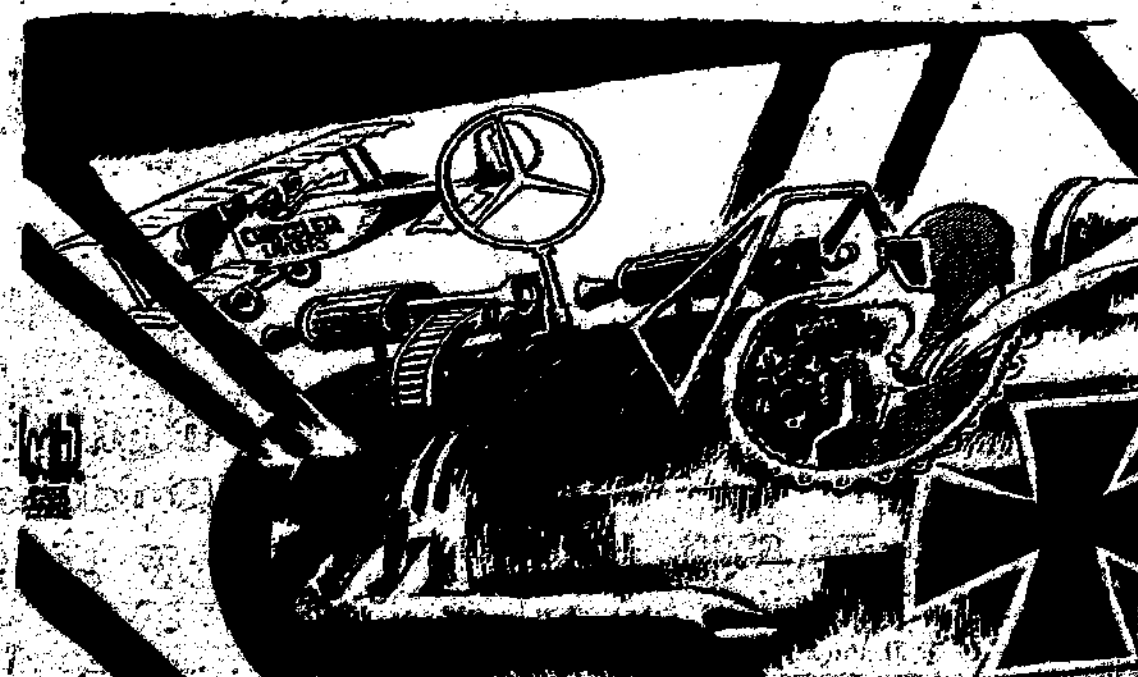
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Therapists take off the gloves in treating incest offenders

Psychologist finds success in rehabilitation requires a desire to change and a long-term commitment to treatment

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Treating offenders charged with incest requires often nasty confrontations by therapists as well as a sincere commitment for change.

Potential clients of a treatment program in Las Cruces aimed at incest offenders must show a desire to change and a willingness to commit to three to five years of treatment.

With that understood, Catherine Peterson claims a success rate of more than 95 percent as measured by those who subsequently offend.

District Attorney Scot Key in the 12th Judicial District that covers the counties of Lincoln and Otero said sexual abuse against children is all too common on the court docket in his jurisdiction.

Katherine Howard Cooper of The Counseling Center in Ruidoso also confirmed that incest is frequently reported locally and crosses all economic, educational and social lines.

Peterson said incest contains the elements of pedophilia, because the prey is children, and focuses on availability, because victims are accessible within the family.

"I have discovered a very confrontational form of therapy to get through the levels of denial," she said. "You're sitting with an offender and he is telling you he had intercourse with his daughter for the last

six years and what a kind, loving father he has been. He had been protecting her from all of the inept little boys."

She bluntly confronts the offender.

"If you don't break through the unreality, if you don't break through their belief system, you're not going to get anything done," she said.

The approach is called rational emotive behavioral therapy, she said.

"It's not nicely confrontational, because you are confronting a belief system," she said. "It also is an obsessive compulsive behavior once they get into it."

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Catherine Peterson,
Las Cruces therapist

was quoted as saying it takes a man only a second or two to stick his hands in a little girl's pants and it takes her a lifetime to try to get over it."

In the past 10 years, she's worked with about 150 offenders, Peterson said. Of those who completed the program, only five reoffended, she said. The rate of recidivism from prison without intense therapy is 98 percent.

Besides a long-term treatment commitment, offenders must agree to never be alone

Stats reveal extent, nature of abuse

Information from the New Mexico Coalition on Sexual Assault shows that in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1999, about 1,466 people showed up at mental health clinics, hospitals or rape crisis centers claiming to be victims of sexual violence.

The number does not reflect actual total instances in the state or cases prosecuted.

A question dealing with the relationship of the offender contained on a history form filled out by victims was answered by 1,263 people.

Of those filling out the history form, 26 percent of the victims were ages six to 12 and 24 percent ages 13 to 17.

Sexual offenders were classified into 18 categories. The numbers showed that 16 percent of the assailants were the fathers.

Listing sexual offenses by family members only, fathers constituted the largest group at 23 percent, down from 30 percent the previous year.

Stepfathers, uncles and brothers each accounted for 13 percent and mothers for 1 percent.

Of those victims who knew their assailants, they indicated that 46 percent of the offenders were family members or relatives. In FY 1998, that number was 41 percent and in 1997, 45 percent.

The statistics were assembled by Betty Caponera, Ph.D. for the coalition and are contained in her report, "The Nature of Sexual Assault in New Mexico: A Description of Survivor, Offender and Offense Characteristics Volume IV."

with a child again, she said. "They're dangerous," she said. "They never stop being dangerous."

Pedophilia is a sexual attraction to children and incest offenders have a strong sexual attraction to children, each for his own reason, she said.

"They have to look at their offense pattern and recognize it," Peterson said. "They have to deal with their sexual impulses in such a way that they do not move into fantasy. If he has a strong sexual attraction to a child and he starts fantasizing, then he's already got it in his head what he's going to do and he's doing it. He must stop the attraction."

"I give the analogy of going by a car dealer and seeing a

car you've always dreamed about and saying 'Wow.' But if you start fantasizing about how you're going to drive it and where you're going to take it, you're going to buy something you can't afford. This is same with sexual deviants. They cannot afford the fantasy."

The program includes individual therapy with each offender weekly and support group meetings with other offenders.

"Those can be very confrontational because when they've decided to work and there are others in the group that are not, they confront them directly because they have a real investment when they finally understand what they've done to these children," Peterson said.

She uses three books in her therapy:

• "Courage to Heal," written by two women on the history of destruction in victims' lives.

"When offenders read this, they begin to get an overview of what they've done," Peterson said. "Many of them had no idea that what they were doing was this destructive."

• "Facing Codependence," which "gets the sexual offenders to understand what they feel is their own choice, that there is nothing sexual about a child," Peterson said. "They look at the child and sexualize it. They choose to feel that way about it. They create their own reality. They need to get in touch with the fact that what they did was a choice and every choice has consequences."

• "Don't Call it Love," by Patrick Carnes, a book on sexual addiction.

"All of these men are sexu-

al addicts," Peterson said. "They admit that from the time of preadolescence all they thought about was sex. Very few have had just one victim. They will say they have, but most have from three to five victims."

Most sexual abused children are victimized by parents, relative or a close family friend, someone the family trusts like a babysitter, she said.

"Ninety percent of the men I've worked with were abused as children," Peterson said. "They never looked at it as abuse."

Often they were told by other family members not to talk about it.

"When they begin to understand the damage done to them and they reach the courage to heal, some will sit in the group and just cry because they did to someone else what had been done to them," Peterson said.

Although the pedophile may pick a victim within his family, often the sexual abuse will extend outside family members, Peterson said.

"He picks a child who is needy for love or for more attention," she said. "They get very close to the child. There's a period of grooming."

"They make the child feel they're someone special and that they really care and really love them and then they take the child's love and trust and use it to molest."

Occasionally, she's criticized for being so tough on her clients.

"They don't understand that when you're working with men who do this, you can't be this kind, sweet therapist. You'll miss the boat," she said.

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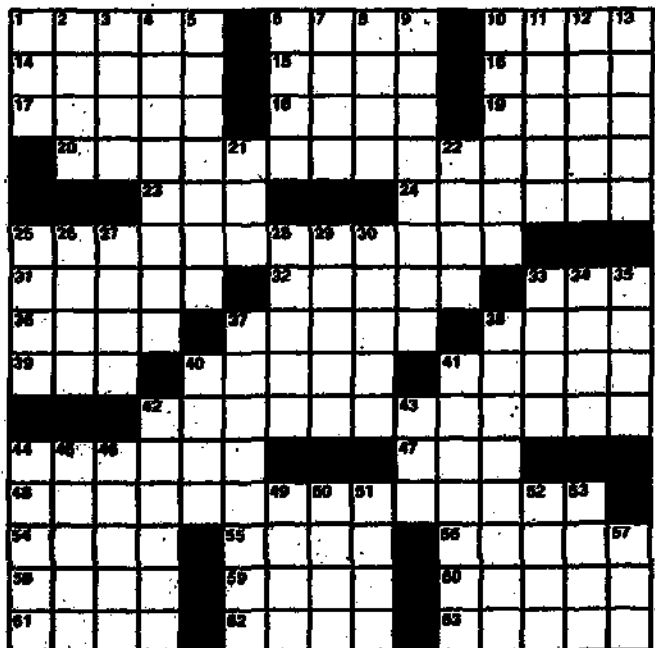
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School board candidates square off on issues during forum

BY JAMES KALVELAGE
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

One of the five candidates seeking a seat on the Ruidoso Municipal School Board placed himself in the minority saying he is in favor of school uniforms.

Danny Sisson said a proper dress code was acceptable but he liked the idea of uniforms.

"We've been there," said James Paxton, an eight-year incumbent on the board and the board's current president. "I don't think right now it's something we need."

Paxton said district dress policies are in place.

The board last year, on a split vote, rejected a plan to require uniforms.

"I voted against it," said Jackie Branum, who is vying for her second term on the board. "The middle and high school students said they would enforce themselves (on the dress code)."

Vikkee Johnson said the district's dress code needed to be enforced. Another board hopeful, Candace Valcarcel, stated Ruidoso schools have more pressing issues.

"I can see some areas I would change," Valcarcel said. "I'm not completely satisfied."

Valcarcel said writing and reading were problems in the district's education process.

"It's a curriculum problem," she said. "I taught my son myself in things like writing letters and outlines."

Paxton responded that reading is an area the board has been addressing, especially in the past year.

"The problem is mobility in Ruidoso," Paxton said. "There were 321 kids that did not come back from last year. And we have 425 new kids this year."

The candidates agreed decisions should be a local matter with fewer strings attached to funding.



Ruidoso Municipal School Board incumbents James Paxton and Jackie Branum, center, were joined by challengers Candace Valcarcel, Vikkee Johnson and Danny Sisson during a radio forum in advance of Tuesday's school board election. The candidates discussed their views of the accomplishments and needs of local education.

"I think the state and federal government should butt out entirely," Sisson said. "Let the locals decide."

Johnson called that an ideal situation, but unlikely. She noted federal funds have

accountability requirements.

Questioned about how the Ruidoso School District prepares students for life after school, Johnson believed Ruidoso does a good job.

"We have to look at our

community," Johnson said. "We're different from Carrizozo or Socorro or Albuquerque. We have to look at our industry, which is tourism."

While computerization is a growing item in the post-education job market, Valcarcel said computer literacy instruction, while good, needed to be part of an overall well-rounded curriculum.

While computers are in every classroom, Branum said she believed students needed more computers. Branum said Ruidoso students know their way around a keyboard.

"I disagree with Jackie (Branum)," Valcarcel said. "Some keyboarding is important. But they're (Ruidoso students) learning how to type." She said instruction on program functions needed to be included.

Paxton responded that pupils were learning how to work with computer programs.

He said seventh and eighth graders are instructed on how to navigate the Internet.

Sisson said while newer computers are needed in the district, he did not want to have computer-smart kids who don't know how to add.

The candidates concurred that parents need to become involved in the district and their student's education.

Paxton said one way to show that involvement is to vote in the Feb. 6 school board election.

Polling will take place at the Ruidoso Convention Center.

Valcarcel is challenging Paxton for one of the up-for-election seats on the panel.

Johnson and Sisson are running against Branum for the other seat.

The candidates gathered Wednesday on the radio program New Mexico in the Morning, heard locally on KRUI.

County's contract with Presbyterian still lacks state approval

Officials try to determine the fair market value of medical center while Legislature decides whether to exempt such deals from procurement code

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

State approval of the contract between Lincoln County and a hospital management firm appears caught in limbo, County Attorney Alan Morel said.

The county's failure to obtain approval from the state Finance Board of its contract with Presbyterian Healthcare Services was one of three items criticized by the state attorney general's office in letters last year.

The county commission's decision not to seek competitive bids for the contract and not to charge a lease fee in line with market value for the hospital also were cited.

Those two items appear to be on the way to resolution, but contract approval remains in limbo, Morel said Wednesday.

"We disagreed with the attorney general's requirements," Morel said. "I contended that the original lease was signed in 1988 and the bill (requiring Board of Finance approval) was

not passed until 1999.

"The contract was revised in 1994, simply dropping a requirement that the county buy a \$1 million piece of property Presbyterian owned next to the hospital if the county exercised its contract escape clause. The attorney general says that was a new lease."

A district court judge last month ruled that the commission acted properly under the state Hospital and Health Funding Act, which gives broad latitude to counties. He found the board was not bound to comply with the state procurement act in this instance.

At the same time, the state Legislature is debating whether to exclude counties from the procurement code specifically for hospital management contracts.

But that still leaves the issue of the contract.

The law being applied by the state requires that any lease of public property for more than five years but less than 25 years requires state

finance board approval, said Jan Goodwin, board director.

As far as she knows, her department never has received a contract from the county to review, Goodwin said.

To help resolve the issue, Morel said he met with Goodwin last week in Santa Fe to discuss the process of obtaining an appraisal of the hospital for fair market value.

"We've started identifying companies that do that type of appraisal," he said.

As now written, with Presbyterian paying \$1 a year for the hospital, the state probably would reject the contract.


"They're tied to the attorney general's opinion," he said of the state finance board. "And the attorney general says we need to receive fair market value on a lease."

On the other hand, once an appraisal is obtained and if the terms were changed to reflect a higher fee, the attorney general will consider the lease a new agreement, Morel said.

"So will the attorney general then require requests for proposals (competitive bids)?" he asked. "If the Legislature clears up all that with an exemption to the procurement law, then we could revise the lease. If the Legislature doesn't, the county either can go out for RFPs or someone may file for a declaratory judgment from the court that the Hospital Funding Act prevails because specific laws prevail over more general laws."

"Until the procurement issue is resolved, no one is in a position to approve the contract anyway."

Alan Morel,
county attorney



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State National Bank's acquisition of Ruidoso State Bank received final signatures Wednesday. At the table were (left to right) Jim Volk, president of SNB-El Paso; Tom Battin, former RSB president and now chairman of SNB-Ruidoso; Carl Bartley, retained as president of SNB-Ruidoso; Greg Cory, executive vice president SNB-El Paso; and Tom Nichols, chairman of State National Bankshares Inc.

Bank acquisition signed and sealed

BY JAMES KALVELAGE
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Signatures were put to the paperwork Wednesday, completing the acquisition of Ruidoso State Bank by State National Bancshares, Inc. of Lubbock, Texas.

While officials have said Ruidoso State Bank customers will continue to see the same services, new products will be rolled out.

"There will be new checking account products," said Jim Volk, president and CEO of State National Bank-El Paso. "There will be brokerage and trust services."

Ruidoso State Bank's Tom Battin, who will continue as chairman of State National Bank-Ruidoso, said the long time Ruidoso bank had trust services, but never really marketed them.

"Today bank customers command full coverage and we have to be competitive," said Volk.

New loan products were immediately rolled out on Feb. 1. Officials said the ownership as State National would mean higher lending limits for the Ruidoso bank.

"We have had brokerage services for a time now," said Tom Nichols, chairman and CEO of State National Bancshares. Some of the new services will likely be introduced in March.

"Bank customers are becoming more used to a full menu," Nichols said. "With brokerage products, insurance products, the banking industry continues to evolve faster and faster."

We'll have a full plate as far as financial services."

Volk said the immediate effort will be to merge the banks' two different computer systems.

Later this year State National will close its Ruidoso branch in the Lincoln Tower building on Mechem Drive. The two Ruidoso State Bank locations in Ruidoso, that will eventually see the State National Bank logo, will remain open.

A seasonal branch at the Ruidoso Downs Race Track and Casino will reopen when the racing season begins. Also, a branch in Ruidoso Downs will be established.

Two Ruidoso State Bank branches in Capitan and Carrizozo will be sold to a Roswell-based financial institution.

The nine employees at State National-Lincoln Tower will be blended into the present staff of Ruidoso State Bank, the banking officers said. With data processing at Ruidoso to be eliminated, Battin believed those employees will remain, either to do proof work or at other locations. Ruidoso State Bank has 40 employees.

"We hope to be able to integrate both staffs without losing anyone," Battin said.

The fact that Ruidoso State Bank did not replace employees in the past year should mean there is a place for employees from both banks at the new State National locations, Nichols said.

Keithley's Korner

Skiing with the best of them

One of the most humbling things to watch is yourself trying to stay in an upright position while skiing down a mountain, being passed by a 4-year-old on a snow board.

It's hard to imagine a kid's fearlessness. Maybe the reason skiing comes so easy for youngsters is the fact that they don't understand how corporate HMOs work.

And if you think they are fearless on the mountain, imagine how difficult handicapped skiing would be for a young athlete. The ability to ski down a mountain without your eyesight or a vital limb requires incredible courage.

This Saturday night, the community will gather at the convention center to raise funds for Ski Apache's disabled skiers program. Every year, thousands of dollars are raised through a silent auction to purchase the necessary equipment and labor necessary for the program to continue.

Jodee Damron, owner of Alto Ski Shop, has been working to build up the silent auction for more than five years.

She helps collect snow equipment, clothes, jewelry, paintings and other stuff that will be sold to the highest bidders. The auction will be held from 6 p.m. to 9

p.m. Admission is free and children are welcome.

"This is a great program for the kids," Jodee said. "It gives all of us who make our living from the ski slope a chance to give something back to the community."

Some of the top auction items include a Ruidoso Downs Race Track package valued at \$800 and a Ski Apache ski pass which will be raffled at the door. For more information, telephone 336-4416.

I got a kick out of the recent "Trivia 101" contest that ran in the *Ruidoso News*. Please forgive me for not knowing how many bowling alleys have been in business, the name of the oldest bird, the exact acreage owned by the Mescalero tribe, or the original location of the "jail tree."

There were a couple of questions that I got right, however. For instance, I knew that the Tastee Freez used to be located at the Ole Taco. That's where the Ole Taco Freez popcicle was invented and eventually melted.

The contest did stir up a few conversations this week. A longtime resident told me he remembered Grizzly Adams getting drunk almost every night at several local establish-

ments in Ruidoso while he was filming his "life and times" during the late 1970s. I remember that show. Cool bear.

The paper offered about a hundred bucks to anyone who got all the 101 questions correct. If you got more than 10, I'd like to buy you a cup of coffee.

A tip-of-the-hat to the lovely Kathleen McDonald, former *Ruidoso News* reporter and now publicist for the Spencer Theatre. McDonald is recovering nicely at home this week from neck and back surgery.

She fell off a horse a couple of years back near her home in Nogal and has suffered ever since.

She says that she enjoyed the horseback ride so much that particular day, all the pain she's endured has been worth it.

A sheriff's deputy picked her up off the pavement after she was thrown in the middle of the road and said, "Well, now I've seen everything."

The people in this town love Kathleen. Too bad horses don't feel the same way.

Local radio personality Tim Keithley can be heard at 9 a.m. weekdays on KRUI-AM (1490 AM)

Rural tourism development council to meet Feb. 12

The Lincoln County Rural Economic Development Through Tourism council will meet at 10 a.m. Feb. 12 in the Otero Electric Cooperative office in Carrizozo.

Organizations that want their activities and projects considered in the grant proposal process must be represented at the monthly meetings the second Monday of

each month on a continuing basis.

For more information, contact Betty McCreight at (505) 648-2811 or by email at bmcCreight@nmsu.edu.



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Ski report

Ski Apache
Ski Apache is open.
New Snow Past 24 hours: 0 inches
New Snow Past 48 hours: 4 inches
New Snow Past 72 hours: 14 inches
New Snow Past Week: 33 inches
Weather at Report Time: Clear and cold
Road conditions: Clear
Midway depth: 85 inches
Siding conditions: Excellent
Surface conditions: Powder and packed powder
Trails open: 55 of 55. 100 percent open.
Lifts open: 11 of 11
Trails groomed this morning: 20 of 55
Snowmaking past 24 hours: No
Tomorrow's forecast: Sunny
Additional info: Suggested trails for the day: Mesquero, Black Diamond, Snow Park and Elk Ridge, Green. For those powder hounds: trees between Upper Peckles and Rover were fantastic!
Don't miss the Silent Auction Saturday at the Ruidoso Convention Center. Proceeds benefit the Ski Apache Disabled Skiers Program. Lots of good stuff. Call 505-336-4416 for details.
Visit the Ski Apache Web site at www.skiapache.com

Prep scoreboard

Tuesday, Jan. 30
Boys basketball
Capitan 44, Cloudcroft 41
Gateway Christian 50, Hondo 44
Mesilla Valley 103, Mesquero 57
Girls basketball
Cloudcroft 65, Capitan 31
Santa Rosa 54, Carrizozo 40
Hondo 83, Gateway Christian 31
Mesquero 38, Mesilla Valley 32
Wednesday, Jan. 31
Boys basketball
Mesquero 76, Hondo 72 (2OT)
Girls basketball
Mesquero 49, Hondo 46

Preps on tap

Friday, Feb. 2
Boys basketball
Corona vs. Vaughn, 6 p.m.
Carrizozo at Mountainair (VJV), 4 p.m.
Hondo at Mesilla Valley, 7:30 p.m.
Ruidoso at Santa Teresa (VJV, 9th), 4 p.m.
Girls basketball
Corona vs. NMMI, 4:30 p.m.
Carrizozo at Mountainair (VJV), 4 p.m.
Hondo at Mesilla Valley, 6 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 3
Boys basketball
Capitan vs. Lordsburg (VJV), 2 p.m.
Hondo vs. Hagerman, 4:30 p.m.
Mesquero vs. Gateway Christian, 7:30 p.m.
Girls basketball
Capitan vs. Lordsburg (VJV), 2 p.m.
Hondo vs. Hagerman, 3 p.m.
Mesquero vs. Gateway Christian, 6 p.m.
Ruidoso vs. Portales, 6 p.m.
Wrestling
Ruidoso hosts Sierra Blanca Invitational, 9 a.m.
Monday, Feb. 5
Girls basketball
Carrizozo vs. NMMI (VJV), 4 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 6
Boys basketball
Capitan at Tularosa (VJV), 5 p.m.
Corona vs. Carrizozo, 7 p.m.
Mesquero at Lake Arthur, 7:30 p.m.
Girls basketball
Capitan vs. Tularosa (VJV), 5 p.m.
Corona vs. Carrizozo, 5:30 p.m.
Mesquero at Lake Arthur, 6 p.m.
Ruidoso at Santa Teresa (VJV), 6 p.m.
Wednesday, Feb. 7
Boys basketball
Hondo at Hagerman, 5 p.m.
Corona at Mesquero, 7:30 p.m.
Girls basketball
Hondo at Hagerman, 3:30 p.m.
Corona at Mesquero, 6 p.m.

On Deck

Shovel races
World championship shovel races will be today through Sunday at Angel Fire Resort. Categories for the event include fastest shovel, fastest modified shovel and wackiest shovel. Participants are grouped according to age and can choose from a variety of classes in each event. Age groups range from 6-years-old to the mid-80s. The races are open to the public. Registration fees range from \$12-\$75, depending on the category and event. For more information, call (505) 377-4234 or visit the Angel Fire Web site at www.angelfiresort.com.

Softball tournaments
Sportsworld 1-pitch softball tournaments, for men's and co-ed class C and D teams, are set for Feb. 10, 17, 24 and March 10. Registration is \$75 per tournament or \$200 for all four. The deadline to register and team meetings are at 7 p.m. the Wednesday prior to the tournaments. For more information, call Jorge Mijares at (915) 857-7676 or e-mail to sportsworld@adl.com.

Youth baseball
Registration for the SportsPark El Paso youth baseball summer season will be 10 a.m.-1 p.m. every Saturday and Sunday in February at SportsPark El Paso, 1701 N. Zaragoza. Coaches meetings will be at 1 and 2 p.m. Sunday. For more information, call Jorge Mijares at (915) 857-7676 or e-mail to sportsparkelpaso@adl.com.

Socorro district
The city of Socorro and the Socorro Riders athletic club will host the 41 Mountain Division March 4. The race consists of a 5K run on gravel roads near the base of Socorro Peak, followed by a 30K ride around the mountain on gravel roads, and finishing with a repeat of the first run. Cash prizes will be awarded to the top three male and female finishers in the 5K/10K division. The top three finishers in other categories will receive customized medals. The entry fee is \$25 before Feb. 25 and \$30 after. Relay teams are \$35 in advance, \$40 thereafter. For more information, visit the "race Web" page at <http://www.socorro.org/~srm/mtmarch>, e-mail to mtmarch@adl.com or call Mark Patti at (505) 834-1610.



Tiger Thomas Pruitt gets up and over Bear Ben Virden during the Tiger's surprising 44-41 win in Cloudcroft Tuesday.

Tigers shock Bears

BY KAREN BOEHLER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

CLOUDCROFT — Capitan's boys have had a rough season. Their 3-11 (1-3 in district) record isn't the best and they've suffered season-ending injuries and had to put up with the inexperience of youth.

But none of that mattered Tuesday, as the Tigers hung on to shock Cloudcroft, winning 44-41.

"They've got heart and they haven't quit all year," rasped coach Royce Brown, hoarse after the game. "I knew they weren't going to lay down."

I'm so proud of them. They wouldn't give up."

Until the final minute of the match, when the vocal Capitan crowd made it seem as though the game was being played in Capitan instead of Cloudcroft, it still seemed like the victory would go to the Bears.

Neither team could score early.

Capitan dominated at the net, but despite getting shot after shot, nothing would go in, and the Cloudcroft held a 6-2 lead after one quarter.

Cloudcroft held a 6-2 lead after one quarter.

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Chiefs, Eagles light up the court in 8A action

BY KAREN BOEHLER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

The heat was off in the Mesquero gym Wednesday, but the fans who were shivering at the start of the Mesquero/Hondo games were fired up by the end, as both sides heated up the court with well played, hard-fought games.

Mesquero took a pair of hometown wins, including a double-overtime victory for the boys, but it wasn't for a lack of effort by the Eagles.

Girls
Mesquero 49, Hondo 46
For the first half, the Lady Chiefs (6-8, 5-1) and Lady Eagles (7-7, 3-1) played just as predicted.

The Chiefs led 15-11 after one quarter, then the Eagles turned things around in the second, using 12 unanswered points to take a 26-24 lead into the locker room.

Coming out in the third, it looked as though Hondo would take the win in the battle of the Highway 70 teams, as the Eagles outscored the Chiefs 10-2 to go up 38-26.

But the game had been physical throughout, with balls and bodies flying every which way, and that took its toll on Hondo in the final stanza.

Both coaches agreed that fouling out Eagle senior Sarah Sanchez, along with Chriselda Acosta and Josephine Gutierrez, was key to the Chief win.

"We just can't have (my starters in foul trouble)," said Hondo coach Julie Montoya. "We've got to have them in there, especially during district play. We needed them in there. We needed their ball smarts. We just need them out there on the floor. That hurt us."

"(Sanchez is) the thing that kind of holds (Hondo) together," said Chief coach Rol Bradford. "She's the glue, and Rosie Smith did a super job man-to-man on her. I told Rosie she had to take care of her, and she did."

The other Mesquero key was the press.

With Sanchez off the floor, the Eagles had a hard time controlling the Chief pressure.

Mesquero clipped away here and

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Wrestlers to take on the best at Sierra Blanca Invitational

KAREN BOEHLER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

The Warrior wrestlers will be hosting what could be a preview of the state tournament Saturday when six teams — Ruidoso, Las Vegas Robertson, Cobre, Tucumcari, Socorro and the New Mexico Military Institute — come to Ruidoso for the Sierra Blanca Invitational.

Three of the teams — Ruidoso, Robertson and Cobre — are expected to be in the hunt for the state championship. NMMI is a Warrior district foe, and will be back next week to fight for the District 4A-AAA title.

"It going to be a big tournament for us," said Warrior coach Jerrett Perry.

Fans used to the tournament-style format of previous years might be surprised with the changes this year.

Because the state wrestling tournament has gone to a dual-match format to determine the team winner, Perry has patterned his tournament that way. He also said it's conducive to giving the wrestlers more time on the mat.

"I think we can get a lot of reps," he said. "It's going to determine who'll be the district and state champion, and after that, we'll be able to see exactly what we have and what we need to do from there."

The tourney is scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. at the high school auxiliary gym, and, with two mats going simultaneously, should wrap up about 3 p.m.

Perry said his team is ready to wrestle.

"We're excited about it," he said. "The kids are excited."



Skiers perform well at Junior Olympic qualifier

BY LAURA DOTH
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Seven members of the Ruidoso Ski Team saw action in Breckenridge, Colo. last weekend as they participated in the J3 Junior Olympic Qualifiers. The final J3 qualifying races will be held Feb. 17 and 18 in Steamboat Springs, Colo. The qualifying races determine the starters in the J3 Junior Olympics, which will be held in Winter Park, Colo. on March 11-17. Racers competed in the Super G and Giant Slalom events at Breckenridge.

The Ruidoso team performed very well against some tough competition from throughout the Rocky Mountain Division of the United States Ski and Snowboard Association.

It was bitterly cold and snowing under cloudy skies Saturday, with an air temperature of minus degrees.

The first and only race Saturday was the Super G with 88 skiers participating.

A total of 73 skiers finished the race with two skiers, disqualified for missing gates. Eight skiers did not finish and five didn't start.

Ruidoso's Aaron Goeller finished 24th with a time of 1:09.56. Michael Ginnings was 35th and Stefan Seigmann finished in the middle of the pack in 54th. Josh Lynch and Travis Ingels finished 70th and 72nd respectively.

"The team faced some very tough competition set on a tough hill," said coach Hubert Seigmann. "This is the World Cup hill. I was very proud of them. Their skiing techniques all came together."

In Sunday's giant slalom race, Seigmann said he saw marked improvement in his young team.

"Sunday we moved up in the ranks and knocked on the top seed of the division," he said. "Their performance got better and they got used to the hill. I

was very excited with our skiers."

Two giant slalom races were run Sunday.

In the morning race, Goeller led the charge, placing 21st with a time of 53.94. Ginnings moved into 50th and Stefan Seigmann placed 52nd. Lynch, Ingels and Eric Vaughn placed 58th, 65th and 68th.

The challenging hill got the better of many racers. Two skiers did not start, 15 racers did not finish the course and three racers were disqualified when they missed gates.

During the afternoon competition, Goeller continued to improve with an 18th-place finish and a time of 53.70. Charles Ginnings placed 44th over his brother Michael, who placed 49th. Seigmann, Vaughn, Lynch and Ingels finished the race in 61st, 68th, 69th and 73rd. Again, the mountain took its toll with 12 racers not finishing the course. Two racers did not start.

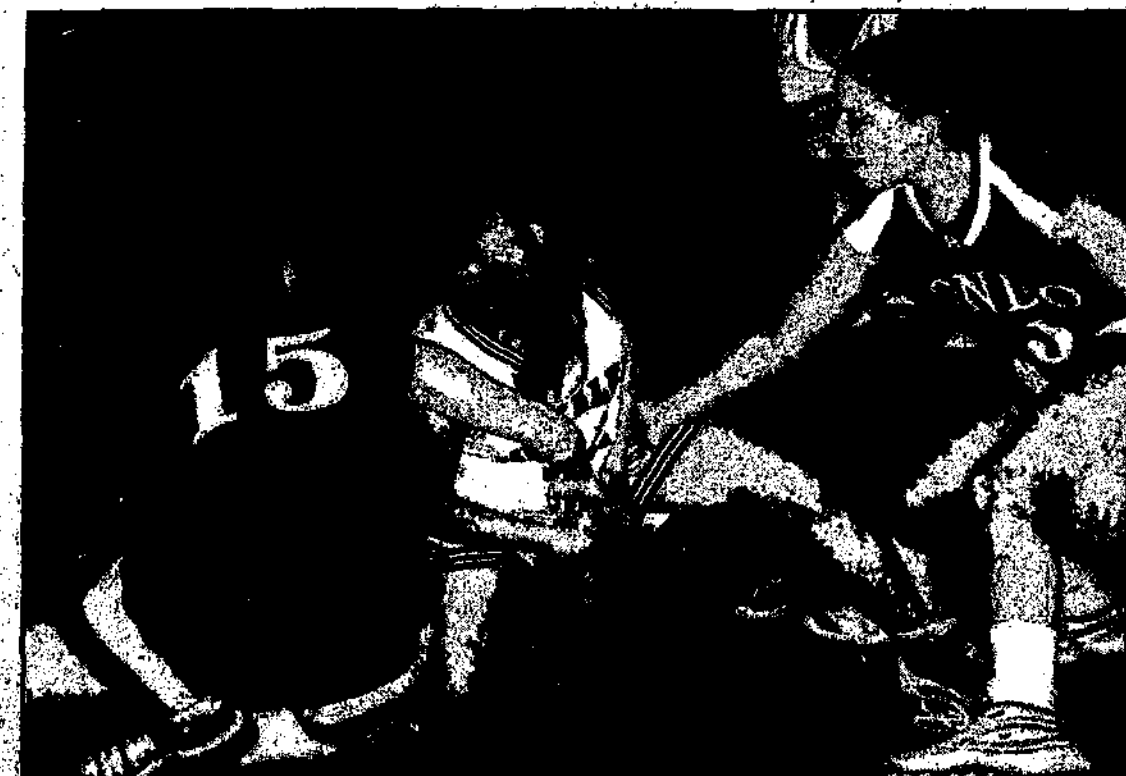
Hubert Seigmann was very pleased with the overall performance of the Ruidoso team.

"We got a lot of compliments from the other coaches on our ability and the politeness of our kids," he said. "They're great ambassadors for Ruidoso."

The Ruidoso Ski Team will be heading to Flagstaff, Ariz. Feb. 10 and 11 for another competition.

Results of the J3 Junior Olympic Qualifiers follow

Saturday, January 27
J3 Qualifier Men's Super G
24, Aaron Goeller, 1:09.56; 35, Michael Ginnings, 1:11.20; 54, Stefan Seigmann, 1:13.90; 70, Josh Lynch, 1:23.56; 72, Travis Ingels, 1:31.24; DQ, Eric Vaughn; Charles Ginnings
Sunday, January 28
J3 Qualifier - Morning Run Men's Giant Slalom
21, Aaron Goeller, 53.94; 50, Michael Ginnings, 59.87; 52, Stefan Seigmann, 1:00.29; 58, Josh Lynch, 1:02.02; 65, Travis Ingels, 1:08.35; 68, Eric Vaughn, 1:15.23; DNF, Michael Ginnings
J3 Qualifier - Afternoon Run Men's Giant Slalom
18, Aaron Goeller, 53.70; 44, Charles Ginnings, 56.23; 49, Michael Ginnings, 57.13; 61, Stefan Seigmann, 59.48; 68, Eric Vaughn, 1:01.50; 69, Josh Lynch, 1:03.37; 73, Travis Ingels, 1:08.01



Mesquero and Hondo fought for the ball and the District 8A lead in a knock-down, drag-out Wednesday in Mesquero.

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TIGERS: Boys stun Cloudcroft with late-game win

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"We've had our scoring problems, and I just tried to make the point to them, if you're having trouble putting it in, you've got to pick it up defensively, so they don't get a big lead on you," Brown said. "We had trouble the first quarter but we picked it up and forced them to make some turnovers, too. They listened and adjusted well."

Cloudcroft took advantage of a pair of 3-pointers by Kody Adams — who led the scoring with 22 points — to open the third, pulling out to a 13-2 lead.

But the Tigers fought back, and a no-time-left 3 by Dennis Brockman sent Capitan into the locker room trailing only by two.

Thomas Pruitt hit two of his 13 points to open the third quarter and tie the match at 17-all, but then the Bears seemed to take control, leading 34-25 after three quarters.

But they couldn't put it away, and that bothered coach Jimmy Swope.

"At one time, we had them down 19-6, and wouldn't nail the coffin shut," he said. "We let them back in it, and at half-time, we're up two. Then we got a 10-point lead and let them back in it. It's all execution. Defensive execution. Transition execution. Everything. And we're not doing it."

They definitely didn't do it as the clock wound down.

Capitan would pull within one or two, but the Bears could only get up by three or four.

With 27 seconds left, Earl

Turcotte hit one of two from the free-throw line to pull within two.

Bear Adam Roberts then missed the front end of a one-on-one and the ball went back to the Tigers.

Pruitt hit one for two from the charity stripe, then Bear Ken Ahrens missed both his chances at the line, the Tigers got the ball back and with 7 seconds left, Pruitt put the Tigers up 42-41.

Then the Bears made a mental error, waiting too long to throw the ball in, and it was back in Tiger hands.

Two more free throws with 2.5 seconds left in the game gave the Tigers the win and started a celebration that made it look like Capitan had won state.

"It was big for us," Pruitt said. "We were really in a slump. We needed to get our confidence up and I think this helped us."

On the other hand, Swope said his team didn't do what it needed to do.

"They just came in and beat us," he said. "It's all you can say. Yeah, we can say we made them look good, which we did. We didn't do a lot of things right offensively, defensively, pressing. We're definitely going to shoot some free throws. Had a chance to win it on the free throw line, and didn't. We're just not tending to business like we need to."

For Capitan, the win was important, but the season's not over yet.

"We tried to stress you've got to steal one on the road and

put yourself back in the hunt," Brown said. "You're looking at positioning so you don't have to travel as much and things like that. We put ourselves in the hunt, but we can't hang our shirts on this one and think it's all done."

Girls

Cloudcroft 65, Capitan 31
The Lady Tigers played a good first half, but then the wheels fell off, leading to a 65-31 Bear victory.

From the length of time the Tigers (2-12, 0-3) spent in the locker room following the game, coach Cindy Terry didn't appear too happy.

"At halftime I actually was," she said. "I thought they played pretty well. They ran our offense and our press very well. I really thought at half-time we were going to come out and put an end to it. But it was just the opposite."

Capitan trailed 10-9 after one quarter, then the score bounced back and forth early before the Bears grabbed a slim 24-18 halftime lead.

But as the Bears increased the pressure, the Tigers folded.

"We made a lot of turnovers," Terry said. "Again, that was our demise. Being young. Just pure panic. They're easily intimidated. And other teams have that figured out. When they come out on us, we don't handle the pressure very well."

Cloudcroft outscored Capitan 24-10 in the third quarter, and 17-3 in the final stanza.

Bear coach Danny Ward said his team played the way they should have two weeks



Tiger Jessica "Bruiser" Becker looks for a way around Lady Bear Robyn Anders Tuesday in Cloudcroft.

ago, but did give the Tigers credit for a tough first quarter.

"The final score came out about like it should have," he said. "Capitan did real well in the first half. We made some silly mistakes, but we finally started hitting like I thought we

should. So it worked out for us."

The Tigers got scoring from seven players, but only Jessica "Bruiser" Becker was in double figures with 11. Bear Robyn Anders led the scoring with 16. Jayme Adams had 15 and Rachel Housinger 11.

Carrizozo plays 'poorly' vs. Santa Rosa

BY KAREN BOEHLER
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Carrizozo's girls (18-2, 4-0) got some non-district practice Tuesday they probably would have liked to avoid, falling to AA Santa Rosa 54-40.

"I think we played very poorly," said coach Mel Holland. "We were real lethargic. We didn't play very hard. It was kind of disappointing."

The Grizzlies were playing without senior Stella Brewer, who was sick, but that wasn't the big difference.

"We played tired, it looked like," Holland said. "We didn't play very good defense. Didn't play hard. We've got to grow up as a basketball team, I think."

He said the Lions played a "real physical" game that Zozo wasn't ready to handle.

"They run 15 people at you and just hammer," Holland said.

Brooke Holland led the scoring with 18 points while Christa Franck tallied 11.

Both the boys and girls travel to Mountainair this afternoon, with a win by the Lady Grizzlies almost guaranteeing them a trip to the regional tournament.

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Hall of Fame horses named

Two legendary runners, Tiny's Gay and Sgt. Pepper Feature, have been voted as inductees to the Ruidoso Downs Race Horse Hall of Fame for the year 2000. The two were selected by founding members and members of the advisory committee. They were chosen from a group of five finalists, which also included Bugs Alive in '75, Mr. Jet Moore and Dashing.

Tiny's Gay won 12 of 13 starts, his only loss coming in his final start, the 1974 All American Futurity when Easy Date (inducted 1999) beat him by a nose. Before that lone defeat, Tiny's Gay established himself as the greatest 2-year-old of all time. He was voted overall world champion of 1974 as well as world champion 2-year-old colt. The ridgling son of former champion Tiny Watch went on to a brief but successful stallion career.

Sgt. Pepper Feature emerged as world champion 3-year-old gelding in 1981, then reigned as world champion and world champion aged gelding in 1982. A gelded son of previous inductee Truckle Feature (inducted 1995), Sgt. Pepper Feature was best known for his thrilling duels with arch rival Denim N Diamonds (inducted 1998).

The five finalists were chosen from a slate of more than 20 nominees. Listed below are the point totals for the five finalists:

Tiny's Gay, 77; Sgt. Pepper Feature, 76; Bugs Alive in '75, 70; Dashing, 64; and Mr. Jet Moore, 38.

Nominations-at-large for the Ruidoso Downs Race Horse Hall of Fame are being accepted for the 2001 inductees. Those wishing to nominate a horse may do so by faxing Scott Wells at (505) 354-7043. The advisory committee and founding members will complete the selection process.

Fishing report

For fly fishing -

The snow was again welcome, however, the amount of runoff will not affect the river flow. The river is still flowing around 2 CFS above Carrizo Creek and around 6 CFS below the Carrizo confluence. The water is clear, so remember to wear dark colored clothes when streamside.

RIO RUIDOSO: The river was stocked two weeks ago. Note the number of fish was greatly reduced. As stated in previous reports, a 20 percent reduction in stocking numbers statewide will continue through the 2001 fishing year. If you don't practice catch and release, now would be a good time to start. The best subsurface fly selections for rainbows or browns remain the bead head pheasant tail nymphs or bead head prince nymphs. Green rock worms and bead head cased caddis larva continue as producing patterns. Try a large black or dark brown stonefly nymph next time out. Turn over a rock that is just under the water and examine it. You will be amazed at the food sources found.

SOUTHFORK: No change here. Very, 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 fishy fish. These fish are hungry, and not fussy. If you do venture up Southfork, be careful as there are lots of ice patches along the way.

EAGLE LAKES: Closed for the season. **GRINDSTONE LAKE:** Closed for the season. **GRINDSTONE LAKE:** Not many anglers on Grindstone this past week. We would suggest continuing to fish deep with a sinking tip line and using black bead head flash-a-buggers or small rainbow trout streamers. Egg sucking leeches and large dark Maudslayi have been working as well as small rainbow trout flies. Most subsurface flies should be fished quite deep with an intermediate sinking tip or full sinking tip line, with a moderate to slow strip on the return. Bubble rigs and propeller flies will do well for the spin casters. Renegade, black, olive and hot pink propeller flies have been working well. Remember to squeeze the hook barbs down if you are planning to catch and release, barbs down if you are planning to catch and release.

LAKE MESCALERO: There is a good amount of skin ice on the lake. If the ice recedes for the shoreline and the wind is not present, the fishing should be fair to good. Bead, head brown and black woolly flash-a-buggers have been productive fished deep and slow. Black egg sucking leeches continue working. 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. Please practice catch and release wherever and whenever you can. We have just moved our local shop. The new address is 2501 S. 2nd St. Drive. Come see us for daily fishing information. Check out our improved and expanded Web site for community information. Jim Shoop, Fly's Etc.

Mescalero, Hondo get back on district track

BY KAREN BOEHLER AND TODD BUTTS
RUIDOSO NEWS

Winter weather caused a number of delays and rescheduling of games this week, but Mescalero and Hondo got back on track with a pair of games Tuesday.

Mescalero

Girls
Mescalero 38, Mesilla Valley 32
MESCALERO — In a close game Tuesday night, the Lady Chiefs defeated Mesilla Valley Christian School 38-32.

In a down-to-the-last-minute game, the Chiefs' half-court press allowed them to pull away for the six-point victory. It seems defense has been the key for the Mescalero girls' success in district play.

"We played a lot better team than the last time we met," said Mescalero coach Rol Bradford. "They played good defense and got us out of our offense. We forced a lot of shots. Then we got in foul trouble."

The Chiefs trailed the Son Blazers 8-6 at the end of the first quarter, but with good ball handling, Mescalero took the lead 21-16 at the end of the first half.

The third quarter saw Mesilla Valley working their offense. While most of the team contributed, no Blazers reached double figures. Jayme McMillian was high scorer with nine points, while Megan Hansen and Shelby Mitchell both tallied eight.

That scoring helped the Blazers battle back to within one point to end the third quarter 25-24.

Leading the way for Mescalero was Rosie Smith with 16 points, fol-



Lady Chief Augusta Lang, No. 50, faces off against a Lady Blazer Tuesday. The Chiefs upped their district record to 3-1 with the win.

lowed by Charlotte Tahnito with 11 points.

In the fourth quarter, the Chiefs returned to the press.

"We kinda saved it with four minutes to go," Bradford said. "I think that was the big turning point in the game. They really got out of their offense. We didn't get into ours very well either, but when you get down to a district win you'll take it any way you can."

Mesilla Valley coach Lauri Selby called the defeat "A tough district game."

"Mescalero always plays a good game," she said. "They hustle, they're athletic, they're quick, but we did play a better game then the first time we saw them. They beat us by 13 the last time, we really stepped it up defensively. So it was an all around good game. We haven't played any close games

this year and our girls weren't prepared to handle the pressure. The press got thrown at us and we weren't prepared to handle it."

Boys
Mesilla Valley 103, Mescalero 57

The Mescalero boys fell to Mesilla Valley 103-57 in what turned out to be a relatively easy game for the Son Blazers. Having to play the game after four days without practice because of the weather had the Chiefs showing up a little flat.

The size and depth of the Blazer bench had Mescalero on the run from the beginning.

Mesilla Valley dominated the boards throughout the game, getting second shot attempts offensively and not allowing Mescalero many second shots at the basket.

The Chiefs had a hard time dealing with half-court press of the Blazers, who worked their offense very well, repeatedly getting the ball in the paint and scoring, leading them to a halftime lead 53-31.

"We got out played, got out hustled," said Mescalero coach Christie LaPaz. "I think they're the team to beat. They're tough, they have a lot of players, a lot of height. That is what kills us every game — height."

The boys weren't up to playing ball. Four days without practice, the snow, we just got out-hustled and out-played."

The second half belonged to the



Chief Raymond Bignouth tries to keep the ball from going out of bounds.

CHIEFS: Mescalero girls come back; boys win in OT

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Boys

Mescalero 76, Hondo 72 (2OT)

there, with a crowd-pleasing 3-pointer by Nicole Dolan pulling Mescalero within two.

The Chiefs were also solid at the line, going 12-for-19.

A pair of free throws by Smith with 1:40 left in the game put Mescalero on top, and although Eagle Santana Gonzales tied the game at 46-all with 52 seconds remaining, Smith hit another free throw to give the Chiefs the lead, then, with one second left, scored from the field to seal the victory.

Smith and Dolan led the scoring with 12 points. Augusta Lang, who, Bradford said, "turned it on. She really played hard and scrapped," tallied 11.

Bradford was also pleased with the effort by Sasha Enjadi, who hit some key buckets for the Chiefs.

Gonzales led the Eagle scoring with 11 while Sanchez had 10.

The Mescalero victory leaves the fight for first in District 8A way up in the air, with Hagerman, Mescalero and Hondo all scrapping for the title.

"For us to come back from 13 down, for us to come back and win it, means we've really grown a tremendous amount," Bradford said. "I've been doing this for 27 years and it's just a big win. A good feeling."

Just as fans were recovering from the girls game, the boys came out and laid it on even stronger, going into two overtimes before the Chiefs (5-10, 1-5) finally pulled out a 76-72 win.

The game was basically meaningless — neither team had a district win going into the game — but they fought like it was the state championship.

And this time, it was Hondo (3-13, 0-5) who had the comeback.

Mescalero jumped out to a crowd-pleasing 19-7 first quarter lead — leading 18-0 before the Eagles tallied their first points on a field goal by Manny Lopez.

But Hondo didn't quit, closing the gap to six points going into the locker room.

The Chiefs came out in the second half on fire, piling on another nine points before the Eagles could even catch their breath.

But Hondo still didn't fold, and by the end of the third quarter — which at times looked like a 3-point shooting contest — trailed by only seven, 50-43.

The scoring bounced back and forth early in the fourth quarter, with each team getting possession and each team putting it in.



Hondo's Dave Perez shoots for two over Chiefs Terrance Rocha and Tony Chimal.

Hondo got the first back-to-back points of the stanza, scoring eight unanswered points to tie the game with 2:47 remaining.

Remaining in regulation, anyway.

With fans from both sides on their feet, Mescalero went ahead on a field goal by Terrance Rocha and free throw by Phillip Pike, then Lopez knotted it back up.

Then, with 1:11 remaining, Mescalero did something unexpected.

They went into a stall. "I tried to get them to shoot

when they got a clear basket, but they went into a stall on their own," said coach Christie LaPaz. "It almost backfired on us."

It did, as time ran out and the teams headed into overtime.

The first OT saw the score again ping-pong back and forth, with Pike hitting a pair of free throws with 42 seconds left to send the game into double overtime.

Then, the Chiefs did what they did in the first and third stanzas: start the quarter on fire.

Blazers.

Their press, fast breaks and good passing led the Blazers to an impressive victory.

"They played as hard as they could and that's what we try to do every night, regardless of the score," said Blazer coach Claud Gobble. "We just go hard all the time. I'm very pleased with the guys' effort and what I really like is when the bottom five goes in, they work just as hard."

The Blazers spread their scoring around with Jared Wallis leading the way with 26 points followed by Jason Carr with 18, and Daniel Barrett 10.

Although the Chiefs Raymond Bignouth's 26 points was not enough to rally his team to a comeback, he had an impressive game both offensively and on defense. Other players in double figures were Randy Fulsom with 13 points and Philip Pike with 12.

Hondo

Girls
Hondo 83, Gateway Christian 31

The Lady Eagles took an easy 83-31 win over Gateway Tuesday, but coach Julie Montoya said sometimes playing an less-talented team can make things more difficult.

"We kind of get back on our heels, then the next game sometimes that happens," she said. "You kind of play a little laid back."

She said the Eagles, who never trailed — leading 11-5, 35-12 and 55-20 — had a chance to work on their press, but she would have liked more competition.

"Sometimes I think those (games) hurt you a little more than they help you. You get a little bit too overconfident, and then you get a little lazy on defense and stuff."

Boys
Gateway Christian 50, Hondo 44

Another slow start doomed the Eagles to another district loss, this time 50-44 to Gateway Christian.

The Warriors jumped out to an 18-5 first-quarter lead, and although Hondo battled back, the Eagles couldn't quite get out of the hole.

"That hurt us bad," said coach Eddie Chavez. "We just didn't have enough time. Ran out of time."

Chavez said the Eagle defense was slack early in the game, and didn't start coming on until the middle of the third quarter.

"The seniors really stepped up, and they started playing some really good defense," he said.

Hondo played even with the Warriors in the second quarter and outscored them in the third, taking advantage of 22 points by Diego Ontiveros and 13 by Manny Lopez.

Pike and Randy Fulsom combined for six unanswered points, and when the smoke finally cleared, Mescalero had earned its first district victory.

"Somebody's got to lose, and both teams played tough," said Hondo coach Eddie Chavez. "I thought we had the momentum going in the first overtime, and we just made a couple of costly turnovers."

"It's a big rivalry between us and Hondo, and every time we play them it comes down to the last minute or so," LaPaz said. "The boys hung in there. We started off good but we kind of slacked off in the second quarter. Hondo's a pretty good team. The kids just hustled and made up their minds they weren't going to lose."

Nine players scored in double figures.

Pike and Eagle Diego Ontiveros each had 29 points.

Chiefs Tony Chimal had 15, Fulsom 11 and Raymond Bignouth 10. Lopez had 23 for Hondo and Carlos Miranda 16.

Chavez said he told his team things could have been different if the team came out faster.

"You scratch that first quarter out, and we had them 10, 15 points at the end," he said. "Like I told them, we're still playing for a seed in the district tournament, and if we come back home and beat them by five points, we've got the advantage."

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PIONEER BANK RUIDOSO OFFICE HAS AN OPENING FOR LOAN PROCESSOR

We are seeking an energetic individual with basic PC skills and experience in loan processing. Pioneer offers regular hours and a competitive salary with an attractive benefits package. Submit resume and salary requirements to Pioneer Bank, P.O. Box 910, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88355-0910 or apply at 1095 Mechem. Interviews are by appointment only.

380 HELP WANTED

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Santino's Italian Restaurant
NOW ACCEPTING applications for all positions. Insurance & 401(k) plan available. Applications accepted Monday - Saturday, 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Apply in person at 2823 Sudderth Drive. No phone calls please.
EOE employer.

The Village of Ruidoso Downs is accepting applications for the position of Communications & Detention Officer - Police Dept. Knowledge of law enforcement communications equipment and procedures is preferred. High School Diploma is required. Must obtain NM State Police Radio Dispatch Officer Certification within one year of date of hire. Starting pay rate is \$8.24 per hour with excellent benefit package. Will be required to work various shifts, nights, weekends and holidays. Complete job description provided with application at Village Hall, 122 Downs Drive, Ruidoso Downs, NM. Deadline for return of applications is Monday-2/5/01 at 4:00 PM. EOE

A local law enforcement agency in New Mexico is seeking a qualified candidate for the position of Narcotics Investigator to work in a task force environment. The position is full time, classified. Candidate must be NM Certified Police Officer and graduate of the two-week basic Drug enforcement. One year of narcotics investigation experience is preferred. Extensive background check required. Deadline for applications is Friday, February 16*4pm. Send resume and copies of State Certification to: Dr. Amrel, PO Box, 1420, Las Cruces, NM 88001.

Jump on our fast track... We're Looking For Power Players
Arby's is exploding on the scene. We have 30 stores open and will be opening more new stores soon.
Shift Leaders & Assistant Managers
Please complete application or apply in person.
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Insulation Installer
FOXWORTH-GALBRAITH LUMBER COMPANY has an opening for an Insulation Installer at our location in Ruidoso, New Mexico. Knowledge of the lumber and building materials industry and experience installing insulation is helpful, but not required. We will train you.

Our competitive starting salaries reward your ability and experience and include generous bonus incentive opportunities and an outstanding benefits package. Candidates may apply in person at: Foxworth-Galbraith Lumber Company; contact Steve Lanik; 122 W. Hwy. 70, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345. EOE.

Quest Personnel, Inc.
Positions Available:
• General Labor
• Construction/Building
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• Cooks
• Counter Help
Call Tabby Cummings
Branch Manager
258-2359
No fee to the employee. EOE

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CHILD CARE IN MY HOME:
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480 ANNOUNCEMENTS

JACK'S TV & APPLIANCES
 Service Department has
 closed. If anyone has TVs,
 VCR's or items in for repair,
 please call 430-7072 and
 pick-up arrangements will be
 made. This offer good to Feb-
 ruary 15th.

490 PERSONALS

FREE PREGNANCY TEST
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 assistance. 258-1800

600 LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE

Public Notice of Filing of
 Application for Purchase of
 Assets and Assumption of
 Liabilities

Notice is hereby given that
 application has been made to
 the Office of Thrift Supervi-
 sion, 225 E. John Carpenter
 Freeway, Suite 500, Irving,
 Texas 75062-2731, for
 approval of the purchase of
 two branch offices and the
 assumption of related deposit
 liabilities of Ruidoso State
 Bank, 1710 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345.

600 LEGALS

Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345, by
 First Federal Bank, 300 N.
 Pennsylvania Ave., Roswell,
 New Mexico 88201.

The branch offices to be
 purchased are located at 100
 Smokey Bear, Capitan, New
 Mexico, 88316 and 411 Central
 Carrizozo, New Mexico
 88301.

It is contemplated that the
 above offices will continue to
 operate as offices of First Federal
 Bank.

This notice is published pur-
 suant to 12 U.S.C. 1828(c) of
 the Federal Deposit Insurance
 Act and 12 C.F.R. 563.22 of
 the regulations of the Office of
 Thrift Supervision. This notice
 will appear at approximately
 one week intervals over a 30-
 day period beginning January
 19, 2001 and ending February
 16, 2001.

Anyone desiring to comment
 on this application may do so
 by submitting written com-
 ments within 30 days of the
 date of the first publication of
 this notice to Regional Director,
 Office of Thrift Supervi-
 sion, 225 E. John Carpenter
 Freeway, Suite 500, Irving,
 Texas 75062-2731. This public
 notice is available for inspection
 in the Regional Office during
 regular business hours.

First Federal Bank
 Roswell, New Mexico

3298 5T(1)19,26(2)2,9,16

LEGAL NOTICE

Region VI Housing
 Authority

**REQUEST FOR SEALED
 PROPOSALS FOR TURN-
 KEY MAKE-READIES**

Proposal Deadline: Friday,
 February 16, 2001
 Time: 3:00 p.m.
 Proposal Opening: Friday,
 February 16, 2001
 Time: 3:05 p.m.

Location of Proposal Opening:
 Region VI Housing Authority
 226 N. Main St., Suite 301
 Roswell, New Mexico

Region VI Housing Authority
 will be accepting Requests for
 Sealed Proposals for turn-key
 make-readies. The Authority
 is requesting separate propos-
 als for each of the apartment
 complexes listed below:
 Sandstone Manor Apartments
 54 Units Roswell, NM
 Sandstone Manor Apartments
 14 Units Capitan, NM
 Sandstone Manor Apartments

600 LEGALS

18 Units Carrizozo, NM
 Rio Felix Apartments
 20 Units Hagerman, NM
 Colonial Hillcrest Apartments
 76 Units Carlsbad, NM
 LaPosada Apartments
 12 Units Carlsbad, NM
 Casa Hermosa Apartments
 88 Units Hobbs, NM
 Woodleaf Apartments
 152 Units Hobbs, NM

For information on the scope
 of work to be done on the
 properties or to obtain a pro-
 posal packet, contact Jay
 Fuller, Region VI Housing
 Authority, 226 N. Main St.,
 Suite 301, Roswell, New Mex-
 ico, (505) 622-0881, Ext. 221.

Proposals must be sealed and
 the outside of the envelope
 must indicate the name and
 address of the contractor,
 name of the apartment com-
 plex, and the description of
 contents, i.e., "CONTRACTOR
 NAME & ADDRESS, SEALED
 PROPOSAL FOR APART-
 MENTS, TURN-KEY MAKE-
 READIES."

Submit Sealed Proposals to:
 Jay Fuller
 Region VI Housing Authority
 P.O. Box 2057
 226 N. Main St., Suite 301
 Roswell, New Mexico

3308 2T(1)31,12(2)

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
 COUNTY OF LINCOLN
 TWELFTH JUDICIAL DIS-
 TRICT

No. CV 00-180

BANK ONE, NATIONAL AS
 ASSOCIATION, TRUSTEE,

Plaintiff,

vs.

PHILLIP D. PROVENCE,
 JANET E. PROVENCE and
 STATE NATIONAL BANK fka
 Sierra Bank,

Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
 that on February 14, 2001, at
 the hour of 10:00 a.m., the
 undersigned Special Master
 will, at the northeast entrance
 of the Lincoln County Court-
 house, Carrizozo, New Mexi-
 co, sell all the right, title and
 interest of the above-named
 Defendant(s) in and to the
 hereinafter described real

600 LEGALS

estate to the highest bidder for
 cash. The property to be sold
 is located at 117 Dippold Drive
 in Ruidoso, and is situated in
 Lincoln County, New Mexico,
 and is particularly described as
 follows:

LOT 20A OF TRACT "S" OF
 PALMER GATEWAY SUBDI-
 VISION, RUIDOSO, LINCOLN
 COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS
 SHOWN BY THAT CERTAIN
 REPEAT OF LOT 20 AND
 LOT 21 BLOCK 8, PALMER
 GATEWAY SUBDIVISION,
 RECORDED IN THE OFFICE
 OF THE COUNTY CLERK
 AND EX-OFFICIO
 RECORDER OF LINCOLN
 COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, ON
 AUGUST 22, 1996, IN CABI-
 NET F, SLIDE NO. 521.

THE FOREGOING SALE will
 be made to satisfy a judgment
 rendered by the above Court
 in the above-entitled and num-
 bered cause on January 9,
 2001, being an action to fore-
 close a mortgage on the above-
 described property. The Plaintiff's
 judgment, which includes interest
 and costs, is \$106,872.28 and the
 same bears interest at ten point six
 two five percent (10.625%) per
 annum from December 16,
 2000. The amount of such
 interest to the date of sale will
 be \$1,997.71. 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
 judgment to the purchase
 price in lieu of cash. The sale
 may be postponed and resched-
 uled 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 reserva-
 tions, easements, all recorded
 and unrecorded liens not fore-
 closed herein, and all recorded
 and unrecorded special
 assessments and taxes that
 may be due. Plaintiff and its
 attorneys disclaim all responsi-
 bility for, and the purchaser
 at the sale takes the property
 subject to, the valuation of the
 property by the County Asses-
 sor as real or personal property,
 fixture of any mobile or
 manufactured home to the
 land, deactivation of title to a
 mobile or manufactured home
 on the property, if any, envi-
 ronmental contamination on
 the property, if any, and zon-
 ing violations concerning the
 property, if any.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN
 that the purchaser at such sale
 shall take title to the above-

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described real property sub-
 ject to a one (1) month right of
 redemption.

/s/ Nick Vega
 Special Master

Mr. Nick Vega
 P.O. Box 363
 Carrizozo, NM 88301

3297 4T(1)19,26(2)2,9

LEGAL NOTICE

INVITATION FOR BIDS

Notice is hereby given that the
 Village of Ruidoso, Lincoln
 County, New Mexico calls for
 sealed bids on Bid #00-107:

One (1) New 1 Ton Extend-
 ed Wheel Base Van with
 specific interior design fea-
 tures for the Van to serve
 as a utility vehicle for the
 Village of Ruidoso Police
 Department.

Interested bidders may secure
 a copy of the specifications
 from the Purchasing Depart-
 ment at the Village of Ruidoso
 Centralized Purchasing Ware-
 house, 421 Wingfield St. in
 Ruidoso, (505) 257-2721 (mail-
 ing address: 313 Cree Mead-
 ows Drive, Ruidoso, NM
 88345).

Sealed bids must be received
 by the Purchasing Office, if
 hand delivered, to the Ruidoso
 Purchasing Warehouse at 421
 Wingfield St., Ruidoso or if
 mailed, to Purchasing Depart-
 ment, 313 Cree Meadow
 Drive, Ruidoso, NM 88345.
 Bids will be received until
 Wednesday, February 14,
 2001 at 2:00 p.m. local time,
 then publicly opened and read
 aloud at the Village of Ruidoso
 Water Department, 419 Wing-
 field, Ruidoso, New Mexico.
 Any bid received after closing
 time will be returned
 unopened.

The Village of Ruidoso
 reserves the right to reject and
 /or all bids and to waive all
 informalities and technical
 irregularities as allowed by the
 State of New Mexico Procure-
 ment Code.

By the Order of the Governing
 Body.

/s/ Morris McGowan
 Purchasing Agent
 Village of Ruidoso

3307 2T(1)31,12(2)

600 LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE

Region VI Housing
 Authority

**REQUEST FOR SEALED
 PROPOSALS FOR HVAC
 MAINTENANCE**

Proposal Deadline: Friday,
 February 16, 2001
 Time: 3:30 p.m.

Proposal Opening: Friday,
 February 16, 2001
 Time: 3:35 p.m.

Location of Proposal Opening:
 Region VI Housing Authority
 226 N. Main St., Suite 301
 Roswell, New Mexico

Region VI Housing Authority
 will be accepting Requests for
 Sealed Proposals for seasonal
 repair and maintenance of
 heating and air conditioning
 units. Proposals from licensed
 heating and cooling contrac-
 tors are preferred. The
 Authority is requesting separate
 proposals for each of the
 apartment complexes listed
 below:

Sandstone Manor Apartments
 54 Units Roswell, NM
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 14 Units Capitan, NM
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 16 Units Carrizozo, NM
 Rio Felix Apartments
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 12 Units Carlsbad, NM
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 152 Units Hobbs, NM

For information on the scope
 of work to be performed or to
 obtain a proposal packet, con-
 tact: Jay Fuller, Region VI
 Housing Authority, 226 N.
 Main St., Suite 301, Roswell,
 New Mexico, (505) 622-0881,
 Ext. 221. Proposals must be
 sealed and the outside of the
 envelope must indicate the
 name and address of the con-
 tractor, name of the apartment
 complex, and the description
 of contents, i.e., "CONTRACTOR
 NAME & ADDRESS, SEALED
 PROPOSAL FOR APART-
 MENTS, HVAC MAINTENANCE."

Submit Sealed Proposals to:

Jay Fuller
 Region VI Housing Authority
 P.O. Box 2057
 226 N. Main St., Suite 301
 Roswell, New Mexico

3309 2T(1)31,12(2)

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**Ruidoso News
 257-4001**

LEGAL NOTICE

Pursuant to 3-21-1 et seq.
 NMSA 1978 Comp. NOTICE
 is hereby given that the Extra
 Territorial Zoning Authority of
 the County of Lincoln will hold
 a public hearing on March 12,
 2001 at 6:30 p.m., Village Hall,
 313 Cree Meadow Drive in the
 Village of Ruidoso. The pur-
 pose of the public hearing is to
 consider a Text Amendment.

Article 1, Section 5. Confor-
 mance to Comprehensive Plan.

Text Amendment mentioned is
 available for viewing at the
 Planning Department at Vil-
 lage Hall between 8:00 a.m.
 and 5:00 p.m. Monday
 through Friday.

By Order of the Extra Territorial Zoning
 Authority
 Village of Ruidoso, NM

/s/ Tim Vega
 Planning Department

Case # ETAA00-002

3312 1T(2)2

LEGAL NOTICE

The Planning and Zoning
 Commission of the Village of
 Ruidoso will hold a regular
 meeting on February 20, 2001
 at Village Hall, 313 Cree
 Meadows Drive. The meeting
 will begin at 2:00 P.M. The
 purpose of the meeting will be
 to consider Case #PV01-002 a
 Variance request for the fol-
 lowing described property:

Lot 69, Block 22, Ponderosa
 Heights, Unit 3 Ruidoso, Lin-
 coln County, New Mexico.

By Order of the Planning &
 Zoning Commission.

/s/ Tim Vega
 Planning Department

3313 1T(2)2

LEGAL NOTICE

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 to consider Case # PV01-0
 a Variance request for the fol-
 lowing described property:

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Feb. 2, 1951

Gift most interesting, says Dad Gough

Herbert Gough of Nob Hill, who has been in bed healing from a wreck several months ago, received a post card about 10 days ago from the Express Company in Alamogordo saying "Box of live ants."

Mr. and Mrs. Gough were expecting no package, least of all something alive, and thought "They made a mistake." ... Sure enough, live ants.

Daughter Betty Slade of Longview, Texas had sent her dad an "Ant Village."

Now Herbert says, "This is the ideal gift for sick folks."

Feb. 3, 1911

The Silver Lining by Daniel A. Storm

Farewell at this time to good old January. It brought us lots of snow. This will surely come in handy in the spring with clear running streams, green grass, crystal springs and bright flowers.

And here we are in February. How the time flies. This little month will just fly by with its handful of 28 days.

February is a wonderful month, what with Valentine's Day and Ground Hog Day and the birthdays of famous statesmen and so many things to look forward to.

Feb. 5, 1971

Tate, Parks re-elected to school board

Ruidoso School District voters last Tuesday gave the Ruidoso School Board an apparent vote of approval regarding the board's policies, as they re-elected incumbent board members. The two, Dr. Howard Tate and Dave Parks, were elected to Position 1 and Position 2 respectively to serve six-year terms each. ...

Election Judge Herb Brunell reported 14 votes as disqualified because ballots were made with a check mark rather than an X as required by New Mexico state voting statutes.

Feb. 5, 1981

Upsets in county school election

County school elections Tuesday resulted in passage of a school bond and mill levy in Carrizozo, and a tie between two men vying for a position on the Capitan School Board.

Mark Andrew Delgado and Curtis Payne, the incumbent, both received 229 votes for position four, a six-year term on the Capitan School Board.

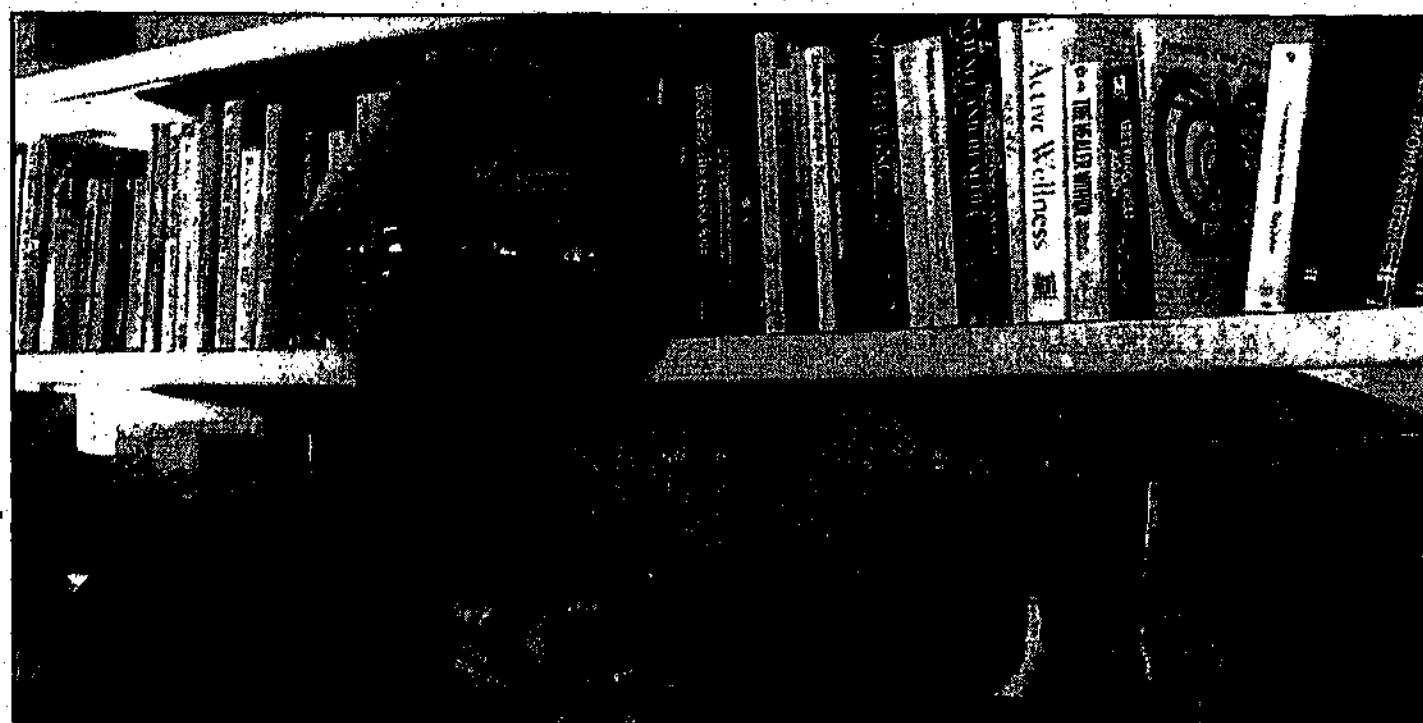
Delgado won the race after a coin-toss was conducted Wednesday afternoon in Carrizozo at District Court, with Judge George Zimmerman presiding.

Feb. 7, 1991

Voters endorse college funding

Ruidoso voters Tuesday overwhelmingly approved a mill levy to fund a branch operation of Eastern New Mexico University, with headquarters in Portales.

The mill levy question passed, 672 "for" and 227 "against."



Books and Beyond, a bookstore, is the newest Barbara Mader enterprise at High Mesa Healing Center.

Sandy Suggitt/Ruidoso News

"I work because it gives me joy. Here's where I express my creativity."

Barbara Mader
High Mesa Healing Center

Holistic health at High Mesa

BY SANDY SUGGITT
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Fifteen years ago, Barbara Mader, chief nurse in the El Paso Health Department, crushed her arm while white water rafting in the Taos Box on the upper Rio Grande. During the long convalescent period, she dreamed of the words "Holistic Nurses." After she returned to work, another nurse at the health department handed her a folder on the American Holistic Nurses' Association and told her, "You should be a networker."

A therapy called Healing Touch was just being introduced into hospitals all over the country, and Mader, after experiencing the benefits of it on her crushed arm at an AHNA conference, went through the training and became certified.

Nine years ago, Mader and her husband left El Paso to move onto about 40 acres in Alto, and, in May of 1992, had a dedication ceremony for the High Mesa Healing Center. This was the realization of a dream she'd long had of creating a newsletter on alternative healing. It grew into a sanctuary and healing center offering workshops and retreats.

After being certified in Healing Touch, Mader also became a Reiki master and learned the techniques of flower remedies, aromatherapy and working with crystals. She conducts training sessions for nurses seeking Healing Touch certification and workshops, and she works therapeutically with individuals.

"This is the kind of nursing I've always wanted to do, since 1953, when I did medical surgical nursing right out of school," Mader said. "I work because it gives me joy. Here's where I express my creativity."

Until a barn on their property was remodeled, Mader had workshops and gave individual sessions in the house. About three years ago, she cashed in an IRA and began remodeling the barn.

"My husband thought I was crazy when I cashed in my IRA. This old barn that had mud floors and kittens

being born in it ... Instead of saving my money to pay for my death, I'm going to use it for living," she said. "I'm a crazy old lady, but I'm having the time of my life — living my dream. And it works."

On a very cold day in November of 1997, four women built the Labyrinth on the grounds of the center, although it took much more time to fill in the path with stones for walking meditations to assist in relieving stress and tension and balancing energy.

Volunteers are building a 30-foot yurt for healing and meetings that will be covered with insulation and heavy canvas, and a bath house is planned behind the yurt, with a hot tub and showers beside it and plenty of space to pitch tents for retreats and workshops.

Most recently, volunteers helped build shelves and Mader opened a bookstore at the center, Books and Beyond, which has about \$30,000 of hard-to-find books and is open three days a week.

"This place makes changes," Mader said. "It gives people an opportunity to get in touch with themselves so they can make appropriate changes in their life that they choose. We create a sacred space where people feel safe and where they can open up, let go and connect with their higher being."

The center networks with others in the area and internationally to bring workshops and training sessions in various therapies, and High Mesa was instrumental in forming the White Mountain Health Resource Network, which published its first directory of providers in Lincoln County, (with some providers in the region).

Terra Mater, a center in Tularosa, built a new sweat lodge at High Mesa last year in preparation for a tour group from the United Kingdom. Collaborating with High Lonesome Ranch, a guest ranch in Tularosa offering workshops, High Mesa plans to bring groups on tour to

the area.

The list of workshops and classes that have been offered at High Mesa is long, but some of them have included meditation, rebirthing, Mayan astrology and astronomy, acupuncture, herbology, Feng Shui, whole foods, energy empowerment, holistic animal care, holistic dentistry and a women's retreat.

Last August, 30 practitioners and more than 200 people gathered for a Natural Health Therapies Expo at the Ruidoso Senior Center. Mader said another one is planned for this year.

"People in the area that want to get started on their path of healing or teaching (come here)," Mader said. "For some of these younger ones, I serve as a mentor or role model. And we bring in others that are more well known. This place has drawn in some of the most exceptional people."

Among scheduled "traveling faculty" is DaEl Walker, a Cherokee practitioner and lecturer who's been on the major television networks in the U.S., Canada and the U.K., and who will do a two-day workshop on crystals Oct. 20-21. Another is Ken Page, from the Institute of Multidimensional Cellular Healing in California, who will come June 9 for an afternoon workshop called "Heart and Soul Healing."

Mader said "four elders" form the base of the High Mesa Healing Center: herself, Elizabeth Flint, Hazel Stulce and Zoe DeNegri, and other "regulars" support its various activities.

"High Mesa is a healing community, but it's also a spiritual community," Mader said.

"Wisdom Circle" gatherings are at High Mesa the last Sunday of the

month, bringing people together to speak from the heart, using a talking stick.

"There's no preaching," Mader said. "We speak only our truth. Later we go up to the house and have a potluck supper."

The White Mountain Health Resource Network meets at noon for lunch the third Wednesday of each month at the Deck House Restaurant and Tortilla Company.

Books and Beyond is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday through Saturday at 101 Mader Lane. For directions to the center, call 336-4808.

To learn more about the High Mesa Healing Center and for a schedule of events, visit its Web site at: www.ruidoso.net/highmesa.



Barbara Mader gives a demonstration of Healing Touch to a friend.

Sandy Suggitt/Ruidoso News

Red wine's protective heart benefits remain uncertain

DALLAS — Top medical authorities are cautioning the nation's health care professionals to downplay the popular but unproven supposition that drinking red wine can help ward off heart attacks.

An American Heart Association science advisory published recently in *Circulation: Journal of the American Heart Association* urges physicians to emphasize heart-protective steps that may be less appealing than sipping a daily glass or two of wine, but which are firmly supported by scientific research.

"We want to make clear that there are other risk-reduction options that are well-documented and free of the potential hazards associated with alcohol consumption," says Ira J. Goldberg,

M.D., a member of the association's Nutrition Committee and professor of medicine at Columbia University in New York City.

"Our recommendations in this advisory are directed primarily at members of the health care professions," says Goldberg. "Our advice: If you want to reduce your risk of heart disease, talk to your doctor about lowering your cholesterol and blood pressure, controlling your weight, getting enough exercise and following a healthy diet. There is no scientific proof that drinking wine or any other alcoholic beverage can replace these effective conventional measures."

The hypothesis that drinking wine — particularly red wine — helps counter-

act the harmful effects of dietary cholesterol and saturated fat grew out of population surveys showing lower rates of heart disease despite high-fat diets in some parts of Europe where wine is consumed regularly. This so-called "French paradox" has created wide interest in the United States.

However, this hypothesis deserves further investigation, says Goldberg. "The pattern of consumption of alcoholic beverages may be a marker for other lifestyle factors related to heart disease risk. A number of dietary factors, such as eating fresh fruits, vegetables and fish and reduced intake of milk products differ between American and European populations and are associated with reduced heart disease risk."

The advisory notes that more than 60 studies have shown that moderate alcohol consumption can increase blood levels of "good" high-density lipoprotein (HDL) cholesterol. One to two alcoholic drinks per day may increase HDL by about 12 percent on average.

"This increase is similar to that seen with exercise programs and medications," Goldberg says. "Niacin therapy is effective in raising HDL even higher, for about a 20 percent increase."

Another theory attributes the supposed benefits of red wine to antioxidants. Yet there is still no proof that consuming antioxidants actually lowers

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Trinity Southern Baptist Church
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 Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.; Worship: 11 a.m.;
 Stonecroft Friendship Bible Coffee: Wed. 9:30-11 a.m.;
 Awana: Wed. 6-8 p.m. (5 yrs. through 5th grade);
 Thurs: 7 p.m. Body-Life Fellowship.

CATHOLIC

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
 Capitan, 354-9102. Saturday Mass: 5 p.m.; Sunday
 Mass: 9 a.m.; Monday Adult Bible Study: 6 p.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Capitan — Highway 48. Les Earwood, Minister. Sun-
 day Bible study: 10 a.m.; Sunday worship: 11 a.m., 6
 p.m.; Wednesday Bible study: 7 p.m.

FOURSQUARE

Capitan Foursquare Church
 Highway 48, Capitan. Harold W. Perry, Pastor. Sunday
 School: 10 a.m.; Sunday worship: 11 a.m., 7 p.m.;
 Wednesday Bible study: 7 p.m.

PENTECOSTAL

Spirit of Life Apostolic Pentecostal Tabernacle. Allan M. Miller,
 pastor. 209 Lincoln Ave., Capitan, NM. 354-2025. Tuesday.
 Bible Study 7:00 pm; Sun. School 10:00 am; Sunday Evening
 6:00 pm.

METHODIST

Capitan United Methodist Church
 Pastor Tom Woodward and the congregation of Capitan
 United Methodist Church welcome Lincoln County res-
 idents and visitors alike to attend Bible study Sunday
 morning at 8:30, followed by worship service at 9:10.
 Communion is offered during worship on the first Sun-
 day of every month, and a potluck luncheon is served
 the third Sunday at 12:30. White Oaks and Third in Cap-
 itan. 505-648-2846.

NON-DENOMINATIONAL

Christ Community Fellowship
 Capitan, Highway 380 West, 354-2458. Ed Vinson,
 Pastor. Sunday school, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday worship,
 10:30 a.m.

CARRIZOZO DIRECTORIES

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

The Word of Life Church
 Rev. Chuck Fulton, pastor/648-2339. 711 'E' Ave., Car-
 rizo, NM. Affiliated w/ the Evangelistic Assembly
 Church. Sunday 7:00 pm.

BAPTIST

First Baptist Church
 Hayden Smith, Pastor. Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.; Sun-
 day worship: 11 a.m., 7:15 p.m.; Church training: 6:30
 p.m. Sunday

CATHOLIC

Santa Rita Catholic Church
 648-2853. Father Dave Bergs, Pastor. Saturday Mass:
 6:30 p.m.; Sunday Mass: 11 a.m.; Tuesday Adult Bible
 Study: 6 p.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Perry Zumwalt, minister. Ave. C at 12th, Carrizozo, NM.
 Sunday School 10:00 am; Worship Service 11:00 am;
 Evening Worship 1:15 pm; Wednesday Bible Study 7:00

pm.

EPISCOPAL

St. Matthias Episcopal Chapel
 Carrizozo, 6th & E Street. Sunday: Holy Eucharist 9:30
 a.m.

METHODIST

United Methodist Church Parish
 Trinity - 1000 D. Ave. 648-2893/648-2846, Carrizo-
 zo. Tom Woodward, pastor. Sunday school 10:00
 a.m.; Sunday worship 11:10 a.m. Choir Practice
 (Tues.) 6:30 pm; United Methodist Women Every
 3rd Wed. 1:00 pm; Fellowship Dinner 4th Sun. of
 month 12:30 pm.

NON-DENOMINATIONAL

Carrizozo Community Church (A/G)
 Johnnie L. Johnson, pastor. Corner of C Ave. &
 Thirteenth, 648-2186. Children's Church 10:30 am;
 Worship Service 10:30 am; Wednesday Bible Study
 7:30 pm.

RUIDOSO DIRECTORIES

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Apache Indian Assembly of
 God
 Mesalero, 671-4747. Donald
 Petley, pastor. Sunday School:
 9:45 a.m.; Sunday worship, 10:45
 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday serv-
 ices: 7 p.m.

First Assembly of God

El Paso Road, Ruidoso. Rev. Bill
 Lenard, Pastor. Sunday School,
 9:30 a.m.; Sunday morning wor-
 ship: 10:45 a.m. (includes chil-
 dren's church); Sunday evening
 praise: 6 p.m.; Wednesday family
 night: 7 p.m.

BAPTIST

Bent Tree

Baptist Church of Alto
 Sunday, 9 a.m. and 6 p.m.;
 Wednesday, 7 p.m. Mile marker
 1, Hwy 220, 3/4 mi. up Airport
 Rd. Rev. James Crowder, 336-
 1979.

First Baptist Church

420 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso, NM
 88345. (505) 257-2081. Tim
 Gilliland, Pastor. Service times:
 Saturday - 7 p.m. Praise & Wor-
 ship; Sunday - 8:15 a.m. Praise &
 Worship, 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
 all ages, 11 a.m. Traditional Wor-
 ship, 5:30 p.m. Youth Power
 Hour, 6:30 p.m. Prayer Service
 Wednesday - 6:30 p.m. Disciple-
 ship classes for all ages.

First Baptist Church

Ruidoso Downs. Randy Widener,
 Pastor. Sunday: Worship hour 11
 a.m.; Sunday school 9:30 a.m.;
 Evening worship: 6 p.m. Wednes-
 day: Prayer meeting 7 p.m.

First Baptist Church

Tinnie. Bill Jones, Pastor. Sunday
 School: 9:45 a.m.; Sunday wor-
 ship: 11 a.m.

Iglesia Bautista Vida Eterna

420 Mechem Drive. (Sunshine
 Classroom) Ramon Robledo, Pas-
 tor. Culto de Predicacion 3 p.m.

Mesalero Baptist Mission

Mescalero. Sunday: Sunday
 school 10 a.m.; Worship 11 a.m.,
 7:15 p.m.; Training union 6:30

p.m. Wednesday services 6:30
 p.m.

Ruidoso Baptist Church
 126 Church Drive, Palmer Gate-
 way. Wayne Joyce, Pastor. Sun-
 day School: 9:45 a.m.; Sunday
 worship: 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.;
 Wednesday Bible study: 7 p.m.

BAHA'I FAITH

Baha'i Faith
 Meeting in members' homes. 257-
 2987 or 336-7739

CATHOLIC

St. Eleanor Catholic Church
 Ruidoso, 257-2330. Reverend Al
 Galvan. Sacrament of Penance:
 Sat. 4:30 p.m. or by appointment;
 Sat. Mass: 5 p.m. (Bilingual); Sun.
 Mass: 10 a.m. (English), 11:30 a.m.
 (English); Sacrament of Reconcili-
 ation: Sat. 4 to 4:30 p.m.; Wed. 6
 to 6:30 p.m.; Sunday Mass, St.
 Jude Thaddeus, San Patricio: 8
 a.m.

St. Theresa Catholic Church
 Corona. Sunday Mass: 6 p.m.

St. Joseph Apache Mission
 Mescalero. Father Tom Herbst,
 Pastor. Sunday Mass: 10:30 a.m.

Our Lady of Guadalupe
 Bent. Father Tom Herbst, Pastor.
 Saturday Mass: 6 p.m.; Sunday
 Mass: 8 a.m.

CHRISTIAN

Crosspoint Christain
 Fellowship

A Christ Centered Church
 Ruidoso Senior Center, 701 Sud-
 derth Drive, 258-1492. Steve
 Kreins, Pastor. Pre-service prayer
 9 a.m.; Sunday worship service
 10 a.m.; Children's Church 10
 a.m. Small group meetings, in-
 cluding youth group, at various
 times and locations.

First Christian Church

(Disciples of Christ)
 Hull and Gavilan Canyon Road.
 Rev. James M. Smith, Pastor. Sun-
 day School, 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 Sudderth, 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
 Mesalero 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 Mesalero 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 1:30
 p.m.; Watchtower: 2:20 p.m. Mon-
 day: Bible Study 7:30 p.m. Thurs-
 day: Ministry School 7:30 p.m.; Sat-

vice Meeting 8:20 p.m.

Congregacion Hispana
 de los Testigos de Jehova
 106 Alpine Village Road, 258-3659,
 336-7076. Dom.: Reunion Publica
 10:00 a.m.; Estudio de la Atalaya
 10:50 a.m. Mart: Escuela del Min-
 isterio Teocratico 7 p.m.; Reunion
 de servicio 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-
 derth, 354-4906 or 430-6654. Pas-
 tor, Art Dunn. 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. Sat. Alternative Wor-
 ship, 6:30 pm; Sunday School,
 9:45 a.m.; Sunday Morning Wor-
 ship, 10:45 a.m.; Sunday Evening
 Worship, 6 p.m.; Tuesday 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. Cady 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 Sudderth 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 Sudderth 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 Sudderth (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:
 Children'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-
 derth Drive, 257-9265. B.A. Thur-
 man, Pastor. Sunday services:
 Adult and children's Church,
 10:30 a.m.; Bible Study Adult and
 Youth, Wednesday: 7 p.m.

Cowboy Church
 Noon Sundays at the Glencoe
 Rural Events Center. Everyone
 welcome. Preacher Buster Reed
 of Amarillo. Call 378-4840 for
 more info.

Grace Harvest Church
 Gavilan Canyon Road, 336-4213.
 Sunday: morning prayer 8:30
 a.m.; Sunday school 9 a.m.; serv-
 ice 10 a.m.

Living Word Church
 441 Mechem, 257-3470. Pastors:
 Terry and Suzanne Lewis. Sun-
 day: Renewal services Sunday
 10:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. Wednesday:
 Intercessory prayer noon; mid-
 week services 7 p.m.

Peace Chapel
 Interdenominational (ULC)
 Alto North, 336-7075. Jeannie
 Price, Pastor. Morning chapel:
 6:50 a.m. (Sept. - June); Sunday
 Service: 11 a.m.

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST
 Sacramento Mountains Unitari-
 an Universalist Church, meeting
 in members' homes. Call 358-
 1881.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Disaster loans available

U. S. Small Business Administration Economic Injury Disaster Loans are available for businesses dependent on farmers and ranchers that sustained crop losses due to drought conditions from September 1999 to the present. Farmers and ranchers are not eligible, but nurseries that are victims of the drought can apply.

In New Mexico, qualifying businesses are eligible in all counties except Taos County.

The loans are intended to assist businesses in offsetting working capital losses suffered as a result of the dry conditions reducing the crop income of farmers and ranchers. Small businesses that claim to have been physically injured by the weather are not eligible. Loan applications must be filed by Feb. 23.

For applications and further information call the SBA at (800) 336-6303 or TDD (817) 267-4688 for the hearing impaired.

Prudential award

Ruidoso's Prudential Lela Easter Real Estate office has received the Business Development Award from Prudential Real Estate Affiliates Inc. The award represents continuous improvements in a number of business and operational areas.

"The real estate business is just that, a business," said Glen Crane, owner/broker of Prudential Lela Easter.

Crane said the office, with 13 sales associates, works as a team to be a healthy company and meet profit and revenue projections.

"We are proud to have received this award because it signifies we set a plan and met it, we have a productive, quality driven team of real estate professionals and ultimately

that these efforts are passed onto both our sales associates and the home buyer or seller."

MBA details available

The Management Development Center at UNM's Anderson Schools of Management will hold a free information session for prospective students interested in the Executive MBA program.

The session will be held on Feb. 6, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Marriott Hotel in Albuquerque.

The Executive MBA program offers a master's degree in business administration designed for potential executives, professionals, middle managers and entrepreneurs who hold undergraduate degrees in any field and have at least three years of significant work experience. EMBA is a two-year program.

To reserve a seat at the open house or for more information contact the Management Development Center at (505) 277-2525.

Quid pro quo power

The New Mexico Solar Energy Association will host a class covering the basic technical and legal requirements involved with Net Metering this weekend.

Net Metering allows electricity produced beyond a home's needs to be fed back into the utility grid, in essence allowing the electric meter to run backwards during times of production beyond demand.

The class, open to the public, will take place during the final hour of the NMSEA's bimonthly meeting Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Montezuma Masonic Lodge on Paseo de Peralta in Santa Fe. Reservations are recommended. For more information phone (888) 886-6765.

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Top 10 'tolerations'

BY DEBBIE HAINES-INGALLS
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

In order to reach our goals and have the life we want both personally and professionally, we need to alleviate those things which generally waste our time and drain our energy. They are the things we tolerate, which we should not. So let's call these things we put up with "tolerations."

Following are the first five of the top 10.

10. Draining relationships. Are there people with whom you have relationships at work or at home who drain your time and energy? If so, why are you tolerating them? It may sound harsh, but if this relationship or some aspect of it drains your resources and wastes your time,

9. Tardiness. How often do you tolerate waiting for others who are late for meetings or appointments? Decide what is fair to you and/or others and make it your policy. For example, if you're conducting a meeting, wait for no one. Begin on time. Reward the behavior of those who are punctual, and don't take their time in the meeting to review for those who are tardy. If you reward those who are late by waiting for them, the toleration will continue as a drain on your time and energy.

8. Less-than-stellar performance levels. Often we accept mediocrity in performance. Commit to do something about it. If it's a relationship that you value, coach the individual to be more intrinsically motivated to improve performance. Help them to see

"what's in it for me" in increasing their own levels of performance. And then look at what positive effect that can have on others in the team, department, organization or family. If we want others to improve performance, the first step is for them to buy into the changes, followed by having easy first steps toward that improvement.

The same thing applies if the mediocre performance is yours. Examine why, what are you tolerating that's decreasing your performance, and identify the easy first steps toward improvement.

7. Gossip. This is both a time and relationship toleration. Participation in gossip is a reflection on your own character. Determine today how you will handle gossip at the office or in your personal life. Let people know that you always seek to "honor the absent." Then do it!

6. Noise. Unnecessary phone calls. Does someone play a radio too loud? Are people boisterous near your office and distracting to you and others who are working? Does the neighbor's dog bark all night? Don't tolerate it. Have the courage to address the issue with the offender in a considerate way. Do you answer the phone just to learn it's someone who only wastes your time and you can't seem to get them off the phone without hurting their feelings? Get caller ID or a phone system that indicates who's calling and a message service. Choose which phone calls you'll take so you control your time.

Read the last five tolerations in two weeks. Meanwhile, work on your own list and notice progress you make just by being aware. For assistance, call Coaching for Brilliance at (505) 258-3265. List shared by Jan Carr, Top Ten Coach: jan@top10coach.com

Area's electric power supply considered safe, for now

BY JAMES KALVELAGE
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

With the "rolling blackouts" of recent weeks in California, the Ruidoso area's two electric distributors are assuring customers they'll keep the lights on for them.

"We have firm power contracts," Jim Bassett, customer relations coordinator at Ruidoso for Texas-New Mexico Power Company, said. Bassett said suppliers have assured TNMP there was enough electricity to take care of the utility.

"The positive is, number one, we're a cooperative," said Bill Mershon, general manager of Otero County Electric Cooperative. "And were a little bit isolated here in New Mexico."

Mershon said the rush to move kilowatts to California means Tri-State Generation and Transmission, the co-op's electric supplier, could be moving excess power production west.

"We have a 20-year contract with Tri-State," Mershon said. "Tri-State uses coal and hydro power (to generate electricity). They have plenty of capacity. I feel pretty good as far as Otero County Electric Cooperative is concerned."

Mershon said the OCEC contract with Tri-State will assure that the local electric cooperative's demand is met. He added that Tri-State will not increase costs to OCEC in 2001.

TNMP's Bassett said the California problem has utilities here watching the situation. He said that also has TNMP stepping back a bit on the prospect of electric deregulation in New Mexico.

"We're for deregulation," Bassett said. "But we want to see it done right. If that maybe means having a delay, then delay to get it right."

The electric cooperative's manager, who also is president of the New Mexico Rural Electric Cooperative Association, said deregulation would change the power landscape. New Mexico is looking at deregulation, a move that some contend helped create California's power woes.

"It's not going to impact us yet," Mershon said of deregulation, which would have greater impact on investor-owned utilities. "But our position, as a legislative issue, is we want a delay (of deregulation)."

Mershon said the push for a delay, voiced last month before some state lawmakers and Public Regulation Commission members, mostly was

out of concern for four other electric cooperatives in eastern New Mexico.

"It (deregulation) could be implemented at the beginning of 2002," Mershon said. "The four co-ops may see their prices go up. They do have contracts (with their supplier), but there are fuel adjustment clauses."

Mershon said how deregulation might impact electric cooperatives in the state was a complicated issue. Co-ops have generally opted out of the deregulation arena. He reiterated, however, that Otero County Electric Cooperative was insulated from market prices as much as possible, and both deregulation and the need for moving electricity to California were not near-term issues.

While comparing electric deregulation to the breakup of AT&T in the 1980s, Mershon said the correlation wasn't so straight forward. Mershon said just as people now have the same local phone company but can choose long-distance service, the same would be true of the electric generation source.

"I think that's the same as it would be with electricity," Mershon said. "I see an advantage for the big guys (large users of electricity) but not for residential users."

Results of Lincoln County Regional Business Survey tallied

Finding qualified staff top problem for county's businesses

BY JAMES KALVELAGE
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Finding qualified employees is the No. 1 factor creating problems for businesses in Ruidoso and Lincoln County, according to a countywide survey. Even so, many firms have reported that business was better last year than the year before.

The reviews come from the recently compiled Lincoln County Regional Business Survey.

"One of the first things you do as an employer — look at your present group of employees," said Joan Zagone, executive director of the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce, the organization that spearheaded the survey.

"How can I better communicate, better take care of my employees?" She said that is a way businesses can retain their workers.

Businesses need to invest more time and resources in the people who work for them, she said. "It's an expensive proposition to train new employees. There's not that much freedom to let employees come and go."

"And we're growing," Zagone said. "Businesses are going to need more employees. Where will these employees come from? We have to decide as a business community if we're going to grow. Then, how can we support attracting new employees?"

The chamber director also said the survey revealed the limited cash flow reported by businesses in the county.

"It immediately reflects on the ability of businesses to pay their bills and make improvements and plan for the future," Zagone said. "That is very scary for a business person." Business success, Zagone said, is measured by being able to pay the bills and have a little left over at the end of the year.

She called the survey a significant look at the county's business sector.

"We've talked and talked and talked," Zagone said. "Now we have to walk the talk," she said, to resolve the issues of businesses.

"I'm pleased with the response to the survey," said Karon Petty, business survey project manager. "When you consider that Lincoln County

'flunked' the U.S. Census by lack of participation, Ruidoso and the chamber of commerce had just recently conducted community surveys, and we were entering election and hospital campaigns, in my opinion we did well."

Petty said most businesses fully responded to applicable questions.

She recalled the moans in August when the multi-page survey was assembled.

The survey was too long, a majority of the chamber board claimed. "I would not sit down

and complete this survey. Period," was heard.

"At this point I thought 'we have zero support for our survey,'" Petty said. Even the New Mexico Department of Labor labeled the questionnaire too long.

That's when Petty suggested publishing a business directory of those businesses who took the time to answer the survey.

"We broke the mold," Zagone said of the long questionnaire. "We went with an original intent to get a base line here. What is our busi-

ness community in Lincoln County? And, being in Lincoln County, we had to do it our way."

Corona, Lincoln and Alto had a high (better than 50 percent) response.

The number of responses was highest in the more populous community, Ruidoso. That was followed by Ruidoso Downs, Alto, Capitan and Carrizozo.

The survey, undertaken last fall, had 640 surveys tabulated, a 43 percent response rate.

How Lincoln County businesses see their problems

Factors related to the difficulty in recruiting and/or retaining employees —

	significant	somewhat significant	not significant
Remoteness of the area			
all of Lincoln County	24%	34%	42%
rural areas of Lincoln County	59%	18%	23%
village of Ruidoso	20%	33%	47%
village of Ruidoso Downs	10%	39%	52%
Alto	21%	48%+	30%+
Capitan	6%	72%	22%
Carrizozo	25%	37%+	37%+
Corona	80%	20%	—
Area skill and labor supply shortages			
all of Lincoln County	53%	28%	19%
rural areas of Lincoln County	53%	33%	13%+
village of Ruidoso	51%	29%	20%
village of Ruidoso Downs	67%	16%+	16%+
Alto	59%	19%	22%
Capitan	39%	39%	22%
Carrizozo	67%	11%	22%
Corona	40%	40%	20%
Local training programs			
all of Lincoln County	37%	26%	37%
rural areas of Lincoln County	33%	17%	50%
village of Ruidoso	38%	27%	35%
village of Ruidoso Downs	32%	23%	45%
Alto	30%+	21%	48%+
Capitan	31%	31%	38%
Carrizozo	37%+	25%	37%+
Corona	20%	60%	20%
Wage rates			
all of Lincoln County	32%	37%	31%
rural areas of Lincoln County	21%	29%	50%
village of Ruidoso	34%	39%	27%
village of Ruidoso Downs	22%	47%	31%
Alto	26%	31%	43%
Capitan	39%	17%	44%
Carrizozo	25%	25%	50%
Corona	40%	40%	20%
Lack of affordable housing			
all of Lincoln County	48%	28%	24%
rural areas of Lincoln County	17%	25%	58%
village of Ruidoso	52%	27%	21%
village of Ruidoso Downs	47%	28%	25%
Alto	49%	34%	17%
Capitan	6%	44%	50%
Carrizozo	25%	—	75%
Corona	60%	40%	—

Rural areas of Lincoln County include Nogal, Angus, Bonito, Fort Stanton, White Oaks, Oscura, Lincoln, Hondo, San Patricio, Glencoe and Arabella.

Figures are from the Lincoln County Regional Business Survey 2000.

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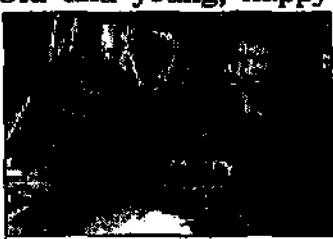
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ON THE GO WITH HANK AND ELLEN

History on exhibit close to home

BY ELLEN AND HANK BARONE
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

A rouge's gallery of portraits lines the wall. Hundreds of faces stare back at us as we approach. Some are famous, most are not. Old and young, happy and sad, weary and full of hope, they are all represented — ranchers, cowboys, shepherds, farmers, homesteaders, Pueblos, Navajos, Spaniards, Anglos, Hispanics, African-Americans. These are the faces of rural New Mexico.



The Barones

"Generations" is the first permanent exhibit in the main gallery of the New Mexico Farm and Ranch Heritage Museum which opened in Las Cruces in May 1998. The multicultural (museum notes in Spanish and English) exhibit, which includes 67 photographs collected from individuals and institutions throughout the state combined with compelling first-hand accounts of 33 early inhabitants, speaks eloquently of the hardships and joys of agricultural life in New Mexico.

New Mexico's history is inextricably intertwined with the land. During prehistoric times, Native Americans cultivated corn, squash, beans and cotton. Later, Spanish colonists, lured by vast

tracts of land, augmented their traditional crops with wheat and chiles and grazed cattle and sheep. Modern New Mexicans continue to make their living from the land. "Generations" reflects this 3,000-year evolution with exhibits that include a full-size reconstruction of an ancient Mogollon pithouse, a replicated section of wall from a Chaco Canyon grain storage room, a 1940s era windmill and a 1937 John Deere Model A tractor — the first of its kind used extensively throughout the state.

Tucked into the southern Rio Grande Valley on the east side of Las Cruces, with the jagged peaks of the Organ Mountains as a backdrop, the 47-acre museum and working farm and ranch reflects the openness of the surrounding desert. Portals and large wooden corbels, characteristic of regional architecture, lend the feel of a Southwestern ranch.

On a recent visit, we were greeted by the sight of Longhorn cattle, Churro sheep and burros in corrals adjacent to the main building, which houses the permanent and temporary galleries, a theater, meeting rooms, restaurant and the museum store. The "Generations" exhibit is just one facet of the museum, which also features extensive exterior exhibits including a dairy barn and blacksmith's shop. We were nearly run over by little boys in cowboy boots as we entered the temporary exhibit, Fun with Farm Toys, scheduled to run through mid-May, which featured a hands-on collection of vintage toys.

In the dairy barn, we were invited to bottle-feed calves and watch as farm hands milked cows. In the blacksmith's shop, a smithy demonstrated his skills. We wished that we lived a bit closer to Las Cruces when we learned that the museum offers a variety of classes ranging from gardening and cooking to adobe construction and saddle making.

A list of upcoming events announced a fun-filled La Fiesta San Ysidro (patron saint of farmers) on May 19. Featuring crops-to-food demonstrations such as bread baking in an horno (outdoor oven), butter churning, grist-mill wheat grinding, in addition to pottery lessons, children's activities and folk dancing, the festival offered the perfect excuse to return.

The New Mexico Farm and Ranch Heritage Museum is located at 4100 Dripping Springs Road in Las Cruces. Take University Avenue exit off Interstate 25 South and go east 1.5 miles. Museum hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens (60 and older) and \$2 for children 6 through 17. For more information call 522-4100 or log on to www.frhnm.org.

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

MAGISTRATE COURT

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

Joe Vargas, 47, Roswell, through a plea agreement, was found guilty of driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs, a first offense, aggravated. A charge of third offense DWI was dismissed. Vargas was ordered to spend two days in jail, put on probation for 88 days, assessed fines and fees totaling \$498, and required to serve 48 hours of community service.

Mike R. Osborn, 33, Capitán, pleaded guilty to charges of second offense DWI, aggravated, a stop sign violation and having an open container of an alcoholic beverage in a motor vehicle. Osborn was sentenced to seven days at the Lincoln County Detention Center, placed on 357 days probation, told to pay \$812 in fines and costs, and ordered to perform

48 hours of community service. Gregory N. Jefferson Jr., 18, Mesalero, entered no-contest pleas and was convicted of first offense aggravated DWI, a lane violation and failing to show proof of vehicle insurance. Jefferson was credited for three days incarceration, put on probation for 87 days and required to pay \$577 in fines and other court fees.

Victor Baca, 27, Ruidoso Downs, pleaded guilty to counts of a stop sign violation and evading a police officer. Baca received a probation term of 364 days and was ordered to pay \$300 in fines and costs.

Marvin Aldaz, 29, Las Cruces, pleaded guilty to charges of driving with a suspended license and concealing identity. Aldaz was credited for four days already served at the Ruidoso Downs Police Department lockup, put on probation for 542 days, and assessed fines and court costs adding up to \$290.

RUIDOSO POLICE

Quick confession

Police arrested a man for DWI Jan. 20 and after taking him into custody found a .357 magnum revolver in his vehicle.

A police report stated that Cody B. Browning, 38, of Anthony, apologized for weav-

ing in traffic and for having an open beer bottle in his pickup truck. He refused to submit to a blood alcohol tests, stating he was guilty and had been drinking all day.

Browning was charged with aggravated DWI-second offense, careless driving and negligent use of a firearm.

WINE: Proposed benefits must be weighed against the adverse effects of alcohol consumption, study concludes

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the risk of heart and artery disease, Goldberg adds. In fact, a number of recent studies have failed to substantiate any protective qualities in antioxidants such as vitamin E.

"Besides, the same antioxidants found in red wine can

also be obtained from unfermented grape juice, and without the hazards related to alcohol," he adds. Fresh fruits and vegetables should also have a similar antioxidant action as red wine.

The proposed benefits of alcohol consumption must be weighed against the adverse effects, writes the advisory

team.

Studies show, for instance, that consuming more than one or two drinks per day can raise blood pressure in some individuals. Other adverse effects of long-term alcohol consumption are fetal alcohol syndrome, cardiomyopathy, stroke, irregular heartbeat and sudden death.

"Alcohol is an addictive sub-

stance with many downsides," says Goldberg. "Even moderate drinking can adversely affect some individuals."

Without a large-scale trial that focuses specifically on wine intake and its association with heart disease risk, the American Heart Association urges individuals to talk to their physicians about the benefits

and risks of drinking alcoholic beverages.

Issuing the advisory along with the association's Nutrition Committee, which is part of the newly created Nutrition, Physical Activity and Metabolism Council of the American Heart Association, are the organiza-

tion's Council on Epidemiology and Prevention and the Council on Cardiovascular Nursing.

Other authors of the advisory include Lori Mosca, M.D., Ph.D., M.P.H.; Mariann R. Piana, R.N., Ph.D.; and Edward A. Fisher, M.D., Ph.D.

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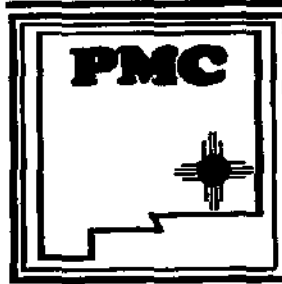
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Business scents



A new employee at the Carrizozo Police Department, Flower, types out a police report for administrative secretary Suzi Farm, left. As of Wednesday, though, Flower was reported to be "skunk at large," as she had dodged out the doggy door at Farm's house in a probable attempt to apprehend a speeder.

Scientists in Albuquerque develop itsy-bitsy robot with big prospects

ALBUQUERQUE — What may be the world's smallest robot — it "turns on a dime and parks on a nickel" — is being developed by researchers at the U.S. Department of Energy's Sandia National Laboratories.

At 1/4 cubic inch and weighing less than an ounce, it is possibly the smallest autonomous untethered robot ever created. Powered by three watch batteries, it rides on track wheels and consists of an 8K ROM processor, temperature sensor, and two motors that drive the wheels. Enhancements being considered include a miniature camera, microphone, communication device and chemical micro-sensor.

"This could be the robot of the future," said Ed Heller, one of the project's researchers. "It may eventually be capable of performing difficult tasks that are done with much larger robots today — such as locating and disabling land mines or detecting chemical and biological weapons."

He said it could, for example, scramble through pipes or prow around buildings looking for chemical plumes or human movement. The robots may be capable of relaying information to a human-manned station and communicating with each other.

They will be able to work together in swarms, like insects. The miniature robots will be able to go into locations too small for their larger relatives.

The mini-robot already has maneuvered its way through a field of dimes and nickels and travels at about 20 inches a minute. It can sit easily on a nickel.

The newest robot miniaturization research supports Laboratories Directed Research and Development (LDRD) work started in Sandia's Intelligent Systems Sensors & Controls Department. In 1996 the department unveiled a Mini Autonomous Robot Vehicle (MARV), a 1-cubic-inch robot that contained all the necessary power, sensors, computers, and controls on board. It was made primarily from commercial parts using conventional machining techniques.

Over the next several years the department improved the original MARV. The robots' bodies were made of printed circuit boards, and each had an obstacle detector sensor, radio, temperature sensor, and batteries. At 1.6 by 0.75 by 0.71 inches, they were still larger than was desirable.

Sandia roboticist Ray Byrne, who was involved in the LDRD efforts, says about three years ago Intelligent Systems and Robotics Center teamed with Sandia's Sensor Technologies Department to further miniaturize the robots. They sought out the department's help because of its expertise in building sensors and other devices on miniature scales.

By trying new techniques at packaging electronics, wheel design, and body material, the new team of researchers shrunk the robots to 1/4 cubic inch. Heller, who developed the device's microelectronics, says one significant innovation that permitted the shrinkage was the use of commercially available unpackaged electronics parts.

"Previous small robots consisted of packaged electronic parts that were more bulky and took up valuable space. By eliminating the packaging and using electronic components in die form, we reduced the size of the robots' electronics considerably," Heller said. "This was a first major step."

The unpackaged parts are assembled onto a simple multi-chip module on a glass substrate. The assembly was done at Sandia's Compound Semiconductor Research Laboratory.

Doug Adkins, who developed the mechanical design for the new mini-robot, says the researchers further reduced its size by using a new rapid prototyping technique to form the device's body.

Called stereolithography, the material-building method lays down a very thin polymer deposit that is cured by a laser. The material, which "grows" as each layer is added, is lightweight, strong, and can be formed in complex shapes. The robot bodies have cavities for the batteries, the electronics-embedded glass substrate, axles, tiny motors, switches, and other parts.

Adkins also redesigned the wheel structure of the device. Earlier models had standard wheels. However, the mobility was limited due to the small size of the wheels.

"I thought of how tanks with their track wheels can maneuver over many large objects and realized the mini-robots could benefit from the same type of wheels," Adkins said. With the addition of tracks, the robot can now move easily on carpet.

Ed Heller, researcher

Resort's shovel races draw national attention

LAS CRUCES — On your mark. Get set. Go. Daredevils of all kinds will get the chance to participate in the World Championship Shovel Races Feb. 2-4 at Angel Fire Resort in Angel Fire.

"Shovel races began 27 years ago at Angel Fire when lift operators would ride shovels down the mountain at the end of the day," said Mike Cook, director of the Rural Economic Development Through Tourism (REDTT) project. "Today, participants of all ages

race down a 1,000-foot course in everything from plain, waxed shovels to aerodynamic contraptions built around snow shovels."

REDTT, a program of New Mexico State University's Cooperative Extension Service, promotes agriculture through tourism.

Categories for the event include fastest shovel, fastest modified shovel and wackiest shovel.

Participants are grouped according to age — and can

choose from a variety of classes in each event. Age groups range from 6 years old to mid-80s.

Events Business News recognized the shovel races as the "Most Unique Event of the Year" in 1999. The races also have been featured on ESPN 2. This year, A&E Entertainment and "CBS Sunday Morning" will tape the event.

"The races have evolved into an amazing combination of speed races and show-offs," Cook said.

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RUIDOSO POLICE**Stolen pick-up recovered**

A stolen village of Ruidoso vehicle was recovered near Las Vegas, N.M., but police are still looking for the suspect believed to have taken the pick-up truck.

The case began Jan. 26 when Ruidoso police received a call of a 17-year-old runaway. About the same time the village's Parks and Recreation Department reported a 2000 Ford pick-up truck was missing from the department's gated and locked property on Resort Drive.

Police determined the runaway had worked for the parks department in October and December while on court-ordered community service. A parks official told officers that a set of keys to the pick-up went missing in October.

A New Mexico State Police officer later stopped the pick-up truck, which displayed village of Ruidoso decals, near Las Vegas. The driver fled on foot although a female in the vehicle was apprehended by the officer.

In addition the reported runaway may be in possession of a weapon. A Ruidoso police report stated that a .22 semi-automatic rifle, ammunition and other items were missing from the home of the 17-year-old's guardian.

Arrest warrants issued

Ruidoso police are looking for three men, charged in criminal complaints with felony aggravated battery with a deadly weapon and criminal damage to property.

Arrest warrants were

signed on Jan. 30 for Victor Baca, 27, Ruidoso Downs, Freddy R. Baca, 24, Ruidoso, and Mark Mendoza, no age, Ruidoso Downs.

The three are accused of assaulting the manager of the Ruidoso Bowling Center on Mechem Drive on Jan. 26.

The manager told officers that he was jumped from behind at the bar and hit with items from the bar area. He also received what a police report said was a deep, 5-inch cut on a leg, possibly from a knife. The manager identified the three as the two Bacas and a third person who was called "Marky."

A kitchen knife, found by police in the bar area, was taken as evidence. Damage to the bowling alley's bar area, because of reportedly thrown ashtrays, glasses and bar stools, was estimated at \$300.

Capitan man charged

Ruidoso police arrested a Capitan man, charging Angelo Mendoza, 33, with third offense driving while intoxicated-aggravated and four other counts.

The arrest followed a 12:43 a.m. Jan. 27 stop of Mendoza's vehicle after an officer reported seeing a speeding vehicle on Mechem Drive. Mendoza allegedly refused to submit to field sobriety tests and also declined to take a Breathalyzer test.

In addition he was accused of possession of drug paraphernalia, having a wrong license plate displayed on his vehicle, operating a motor vehicle with a suspended driver's license

and speeding. Police also discovered Mendoza was wanted on an outstanding arrest warrant.

Paraphernalia suspected

Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs police seized two pipes, believed to be for marijuana use, at a Ruidoso Downs residence on Jan. 26.

Officers went to a Central Drive residence to search a home and vehicle per conditions of probation, a Ruidoso police report stated.

The resident denied knowing where the pipes came from. A report has been turned over to the Adult Probation Office.

Tagging investigated

Recent graffiti instances in Ruidoso are being investigated by the police department's Gang Task Force.

The most recent case involved orange spray paint lettering on the concrete wall of the Reese Drive bridge at the Rio Ruidoso.

The bridge graffiti was similar to other cases this month in the village.

Graffiti suspect referred

A Ruidoso High School student was referred to juvenile authorities after graffiti was scrawled in a girls restroom at the school.

According to a Ruidoso police report, two girls had admitted to writing the graffiti. The misdemeanor graffiti incident happened about 2 p.m. Jan. 18.

Fire damages unoccupied recreational vehicle in Ruidoso Downs

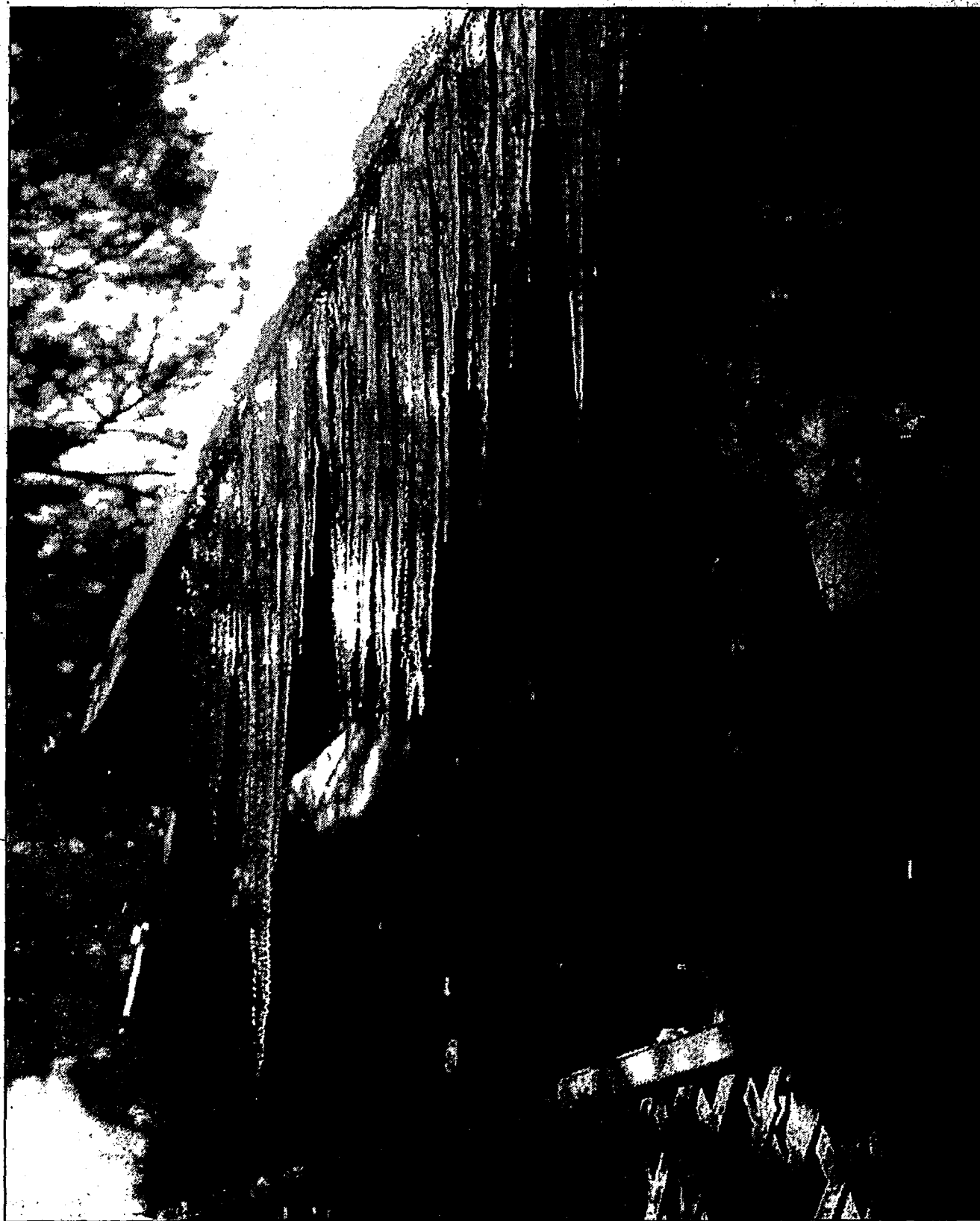
An unoccupied recreational vehicle was damaged by fire Jan. 25 in Ruidoso Downs. The blaze, in a RV at 220 E. Harris Lane, was determined to have

been sparked by an electrical short according to a fire department report.

The report stated when firefighters arrived flames

were coming out of the structure around an air conditioning unit on the top of the RV.

The fire was reported at 11:37 a.m.

Frozen in time

Early morning sun Tuesday lights up icicles at the Helen Quane residence on Carter Lane in Ruidoso. "I've been here 13 years," Quane said. "This is the first time I've seen anything like this."

James Kalvelage/Ruidoso News

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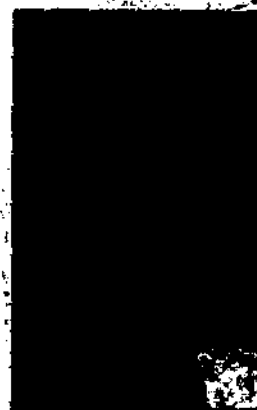
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CONNIE BELL paints the Southwest, in acrylics, oils and watercolors. "Cabin on Grand Mesa" is shown on the cover. To see more, turn to PAGE 6D.

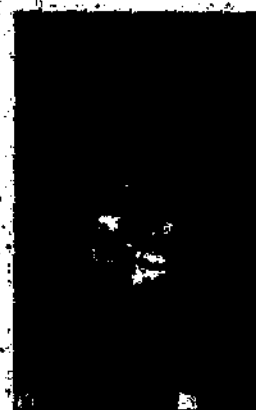
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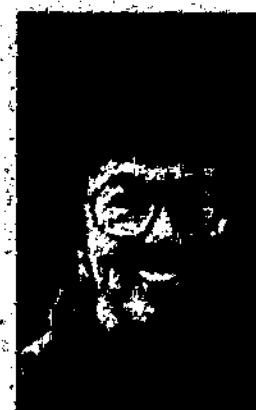
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Russians take over the Spencer stage



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A SCENE FROM 'SWAN LAKE.'

The Russian performance company, St. Petersburg State Ice Ballet, will transform the Spencer Theater stage into a 40-by-50 ice arena for two shows of the fairy tale classic, "Cinderella on Ice," 2 p.m. and 8 p.m., February 10. More Russian dancers will fill the footlights on February 17 in two performances of "Swan Lake," under the direction of former Kirov Ballet star Segei Radchenko. Show times are 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Tickets to both shows are \$35 and \$38 for the afternoon performances, \$42 and \$45 for the evening performances. For ticket availability call (505) 336-4800 or (888) 818-7872 or visit the theater Web site at www.spencertheater.com.



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'CINDERELLA ON ICE' stars Pavel Ivanov as Prince Charming and his wife, Olga Kuvashova, as Cinderella.

see Russians take over the Spencer stage on 4D

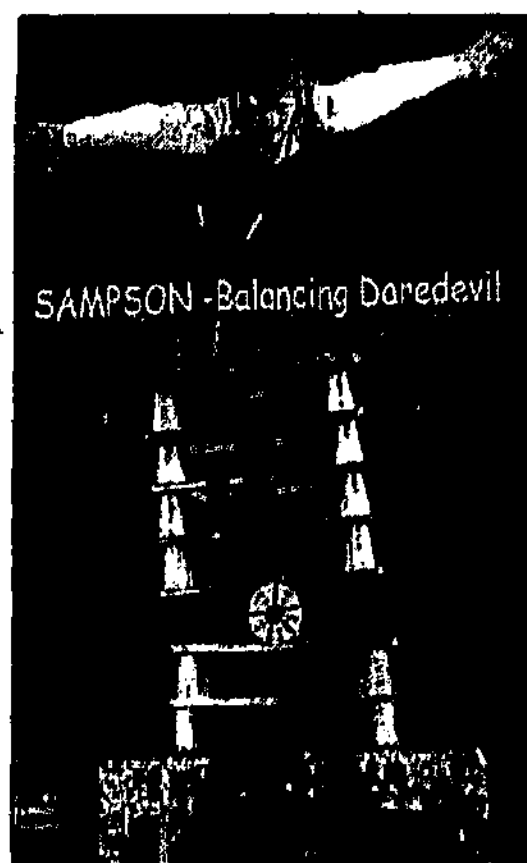
GOING OUT

Circus to come to Convention Center

The American All-Star Circus will present a 5:15 p.m. and a 7:30 p.m. show on February 16 (doors open an hour before showtimes).

Trained Canine Capers, jugglers, aerial wonders, wire-walkers, performing birds and much more will entertain children under 12 free and adults for \$7 at the door. Free children's tickets are available at local merchants.

Internationally famous ringmaster F.B. Bradbury keeps the show moving at a fast pace.



Courtesy

DAREDEVIL BALANCERS.

Russians take over the Spencer Stage

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Two performance groups from Russia will bring a treasure trove of artistry and tales of triumphant love to the Spencer Theater this month — one through the classical ballet dance of "Swan Lake" on February 17, the other with the high spins and lifts of ice ballet on February 10.

That's right, ice ballet. The Spencer stage will literally be transformed from a hardwood maple floor into a 40-by-50 square-foot skating rink for the two performances of "Cinderella on Ice" by the St. Petersburg State Ice Ballet.

The transformative process involves laying several layers of plastic and refrigeration coils, upon which is dumped two truckloads of ice. After being watered down and frozen, six to eight inches of ice will form. Work on the Spencer skating arena will start February 9, about

24 hours prior to the first show.

Under the choreographic direction of Russian ballet star Konstantin Rassadin (who previously performed with Rudolf Nureyev and Mikhail Baryshnikov), the company includes 34 ice dancers, the principal of which hold gold medals from major Russian ice skating competitions. Skating on ice rather than dancing on floorboards allows the dancers to glide with the ease of flying and lift with the stunning spirals that are theatrically thrilling.

Notes the *New York Post*, "One hundred years never goes by in such a romantic blur as when the St. Petersburg Ice Ballet turns the theater into a winter palace."

According to Carol Bresner, the executive producer of "Cinderella on Ice," ice ballet has been popular in Russia for some time, but St. Petersburg Ice Ballet

specializes in performing in proscenium theaters. "Cinderella on Ice" was just added this winter to the company's ice ballet repertoire, which includes "Swan Lake" and "Nutcracker," "Sleeping Beauty" and "Romeo and Juliet."

As soon as the last "Cinderella" show is over — about 10:30 p.m. — members of the technical crew will begin the laborious process of smashing up the ice with sledgehammers and hauling it outdoors.

Less than a week after the ice is moved out and the stage is restored, another company of Russian dancers will grace the theater in two performances of "Swan Lake." The four-act classical ballet, which is forever associated with Russian art and culture, following the ballet's 1895 pre-

miere in St. Petersburg, is presented by the Moscow Festival Ballet. With music by Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky and choreography by the great Marius Petip, the 12-year-old independent dance company boldly reflects the artistic expression of its founder, the legendary principal dancer of the Bolshoi and Kirov ballets, Sergei Radchenko.

This is the third major Russian dance company to perform at the Spencer Theater since its open-

ing, having presented the Russian National Ballet in its performance of "The Sleeping Beauty" in 1998.

The Spencer Theater Winter Season 2000/2001 is sponsored in part by Sierra Blanca Motor Company, Salon Red, McGary Studios/Expressions in Bronze Gallery, Ruidoso State Bank, *Ruidoso News*, Dale Chihuly Studio, and Ruidoso radio station KRUI-1490 AM.



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'SWAN LAKE'

Ruidoso Arts Commission

by Mary Lea Lane
ARTS COORDINATOR

In November and December, I held a series of four public meetings in order to gain input for planning my work as arts coordinator.

The same agenda was used for each of these meetings, and artists of all disciplines, gallery owners, business people and arts-interested persons were encouraged to attend. The meetings were publicized through *ivámonos!*, notices posted in public buildings and through word-of-mouth.

Discussions at these meetings centered around cultural events currently in place and their sponsors, existing arts organizations in Lincoln County, and the participants' "dreams and wishes" for the arts community.

A majority of those attending the meetings were visual artists, although graphic and literary arts were represented, as well as a gallery owner and representatives from the Arts Commission.

Many outstanding ideas were forthcoming as those attending stated their hopes for the community's cultural life.

The first item to be mentioned at all four meetings was to have the area known regionally and nationally as an arts community and to be promoted as such. The second was that a deeper appreciation of the arts be developed among our own citizenry.

Recurring in two or more of the meetings were several projects or objectives that fall within the goals of the long-range plan of the Ruidoso Arts Commission. These are listed here in no particular order:

- Artist co-ops/studio space, in Ruidoso and in the county.
- The need to add performing arts to existing art festivals.
- Performances and visual arts on the street during prime shopping times.
- Art walks.
- Outdoor sculpture exhibits.
- Summer band concerts.
- Fort Stanton developed as a fine arts, crafts and performing arts school, to be used for long-term residencies, retreats and workshops.

Many additional outstanding ideas were expressed, but were not repeated with consistency in other meetings.

My task as arts coordinator now becomes one of prioritizing these ideas, deciding what can be accomplished soon and with limited resources, and to gain Arts Commission and Village Council approval

to proceed.

A second goal of the meetings was to begin establishing a file of artist information — quite literally to develop an inventory of the cultural resources of Lincoln County. This inventory will encompass all art forms: performing, visual, literary, media, fine crafts and folk arts and crafts. From this inventory we will be able to contact artists for every possibility that occurs in the future, giving the inventoried artists exposure, promoting the community as an arts center, and creating audiences for the exciting and creative work that is being accomplished by local artists.

This listing will include the artist's name, mailing address, phone number, fax, e-mail, art form, where the art can be seen or heard, and if an artist is available for teaching classes, workshops, speech-making, after school classes for children, etc.

If you wish to be included in this cultural inventory, please send the above information, along with any printed materials you may wish to have included in your artist file to: Arts Coordinator, 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, NM 88345.

In closing, I want to express my sincere thanks to those who were able to attend one of the four public meetings. It was a busy time of the year, and I appreciate your efforts toward helping me get established.

Watch for notice of similar meetings in the future; I hope to visit with you in open meetings about every six to eight months.

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

Saturday, February 3

'Carmen' on FM radio

"Carmen" by Bizet will be broadcast in Ruidoso from 11 a.m. to 2:50 p.m. on KENW, 91.3, with Bertrand de Billy conducting. The cast includes Janice Watson (Micaela), Olga Borodina (Carmen), Richard Leech (Don Jose), Franck Ferrari (Escamillo). The free-spirited gypsy Carmen chooses freedom in love and in death, defying the jealous passion of the obsessed soldier, Don Jose.

Paul Galbraith in Concert

8 p.m. at Popejoy Hall, the celebrated young musician transcribes classical pieces for the guitar with brilliant results. Ticket prices are \$22, \$19, \$14. Patrons may purchase tickets through tickets.com by calling (800) 905-3315, online at www.tickets.com, or by visiting any tickets.com outlet.

Tuesday, February 6

Country Western Dance Classes

7-8:30 p.m. at the Hubbard Museum of the American West. For six weeks, you will have the opportunity to dust off your dancin' shoes and learn to two-step, jitterbug and waltz. Join Glen and Sherry Barrow as they instruct beginner through intermediate dance students. Cost to museum members is \$35 per person. Non-members are \$45 per person. Call 378-4142 to register.

After-school Tuesdays

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

Wednesday, February 7

Light Motion performs at the KiMo Theatre

7:30 p.m. at the KiMo Theatre located at 5th and Central, downtown Albuquerque. The company features dancers Charlene Curtiss and Joanne Petroff and has attracted critical praise for its integration of wheelchair dance. For ticket information contact the KiMo Box Office at (505) 848-1370 or Ticketmaster at (505) 883-7800.

Ruidoso Book Review and Discussion Group

10 a.m. at the First Christian Church, 1211 Hull road, Margaret Pugh will review *We Band of Angels* by Elizabeth-Maria Norman. Everyone is invited to attend.

Pre-school Storytime

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

Thursday, February 8

After-school movie

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

Ongoing

Open Studio Drawing Workshop

9-noon Tuesdays, at the Fruit of the Trees, (505) 653-4699.

Solarmax and Wolves IMAX Films

Showing at the Alamogordo Space Center February through March at noon, 2, 3, 4 and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday; 11 a.m., noon, 2, 3, 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. For more information about schedules and prices, call (877) 333-6589.

Library Photographic Exhibition

Artwork is of Sierra Blanca and Lincoln County and Beyond by Pablo Bianchi. Through February 27: 9 a.m.-6 p.m., Monday through Thursday; 9 a.m.-5 p.m. on Friday; and 11 a.m.-3 p.m. on Saturday at the Ruidoso Public Library, 107 Kansas City Road.

Aspen Leaf School of Dance

Classical ballet, jazz and tap for all ages. Beginners and volunteers always welcome, 1204 Mechem, 258-1946.

Blood Pressure Clinic

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.

Capitan Public Library

106 S. Lincoln Avenue. Open Tuesday and Friday 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Wednesday 10 a.m.-7:30 p.m., Thursday 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Info and renew by phone, 354-3035. Volunteers needed.

• Spanish and English workstations available to the public. Free Internet access. Call to reserve a space.

• Winter Reading Program for children up to 18 years the first Saturday of each month.

Meals on Wheels Senior Food Program

Monday-Friday, noon at the Zia Senior Center, Ruidoso Downs, in the dining hall. For the Ruidoso area, 387-4659.

Adult Acting Workshop

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

Ruidoso Public Library

107 Kansas City Road (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 Exhibit of the Month

Photographer, Melanie J. Sanchez is the February Exhibit of the Month at the Chamber of Commerce.

Roundup El Paso Museum of Art Exhibit

Through April 8, drawing from dozens of private and corporate art collec-

tions throughout El Paso and the surrounding region, *Roundup* showcases more than 50 works of art in all media, with a strong focus on 19th-20th century American artifacts, master paintings by the Taos and Santa Fe art colonies and the Mexican modernists Diego Rivera and Rufino Tamayo; as well as major contemporary works by Matthew Barney, Ross Bleckner, James Drake, Luis Jimenez.

Movies

Left Behind

Action/Adventure and Science Fiction/Fantasy.

Rated PG-13 for violence.

Starring: Kirk Cameron, Brad Johnson, Chelsea Noble, Clarence Gilyard, Colin Fox.

Directed by Vic Sarin and Victor Sarin.

Produced by Robert Lalonde, Paul LaLonde, Ralph Winter, Joe Goodman, George Tirl, Bobby Neutz and Peter LaLonde.

Written by Alan McElroy, Paul LaLonde, Joe Goodman and Allan McElroy.

Distributor: Cloud Ten Pictures

Synopsis: On an international flight, journalist Buck Williams (Kirk Cameron) and pilot Rayford Steele (Brad Johnson) discover that several passengers have simply vanished. Soon, it becomes clear that millions of people have disappeared off the face of the Earth! They take it upon themselves to uncover the root of the mystery. Based on the the successful series of Christian novels written by Tim LaHaye and Jerry B. Jenkins.

Showtimes: *1:30 p.m., 5 p.m., 7:15 p.m., *9:45 p.m.

The Wedding Planner

Comedy and Romance.

Rated PG-13 for language and some sexual humor.

Starring: Jennifer Lopez, Matthew McConaughey, Bridgette Wilson, Judy Greer, Justin Chambers.

Directed by Adam Shankman.

Produced by Peter Abrams, Robert L. Levy, Jennifer Gibgot, Deborah Del Prete, Gigi Pritzker and Robert Levy. Written by Mike Ellis, Andrea King, Michael Ellis and Pamela Falk.

Distributor: Columbia TriStar
Synopsis: When you spend most of your time as a busy wedding planner organizing other people's romances and weddings, there isn't much time left to think about your own love life. And what happens when you finally meet Mr. Perfect? He turns out to be the groom of the wedding you're planning!

Showtimes: *1:15 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 7 p.m., *9:15 p.m.

Traffic

Drama 2 hrs. 20 min.

Rated R for pervasive drug content, strong language, violence and some sexuality.

Starring: Michael Douglas, Don Cheadle, Benicio del Toro, Dennis Quaid, Catherine Zeta-Jones.

Directed by Steven Soderbergh.

Produced by Edward Zwick, Laura Bickford and Marshall Herskovitz.

Written by Stephen Gaghan.

Distributor: USA Films

Synopsis: Based on the 1980s British television miniseries *Traffic*, director Steven Soderbergh presents *Traffic*, a patchwork of stories that evokes the high-stakes, high-risk world of the drug trade, as seen through a series of inter-related stories, some are highly



Courtesy

ERIKA CHRISTENSEN and Topher Grace star as Caroline Wakefield and Seth Abrahams in USA Films' *Traffic*.

personal, some are filled with intrigue and danger. A Mexican policeman finds himself caught in a web of corruption; A pair of undercover DEA agents work in the sordid and dangerous world of San Diego dealers; a wealthy drug baron living in upscale, suburban America is arrested and learns how quickly his unknowing and pampered wife takes over his business; and the U.S. President's new anti-drug czar, an Ohio State Supreme Court Justice, must deal with his increasingly drug-addicted teenage daughter.

Showtimes: *1 p.m., 4 p.m., 6:45 p.m., *9:30 p.m.

* Friday and Saturday Only

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Hollywood Inn and Cantina

Live music featuring the Longhorn Band on Friday and Saturday. Highway 70, Ruidoso Downs.

Le Bistro

Live entertainment from 7:30-11 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays at 2800 Sudderth Drive.

J's Joint

Live music from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., Friday and Saturday at 1214 Mechem Drive.

Attention: The Ruidoso Arts Commission meeting has been postponed from February 8, to 4 p.m. February 15, at the Village of Ruidoso Council Chamber.

The KiMo Theatre Presents "Global Dance Fest"

The world of contemporary dance will burst into life for Albuquerque when the KiMo Theatre presents "Global Dance Fest" January 24 through February 17. Six different dance companies from Canada, France, Africa and the U.S. will offer New Mexicans a "window on the work" of dance at the beginning of the new millennium. Tickets for each performance are \$10 each, three performances for \$21, or a "GlobalPass" for all six performances for \$30. Weeknight performances begin at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday performances at 8 p.m.

The KiMo Theatre is producing most of the "Global Dance Fest" events, with support from the National Endowment for the Arts Regional Touring Program, the University of New Mexico Department of Theater and Dance, Alliance Francaise of Albuquerque, Very Special Arts/New Mexico and Friends of the KiMo. The KiMo Theatre, owned by the City of Albuquerque, is operated by the City's Cultural Services Department.

"This festival is a rare opportunity for the people of Albuquerque and greater New Mexico to appreciate contemporary dance from many perspectives," said Mayor Jim Baca. "We are purposely keeping ticket prices low so more people can attend these important events."

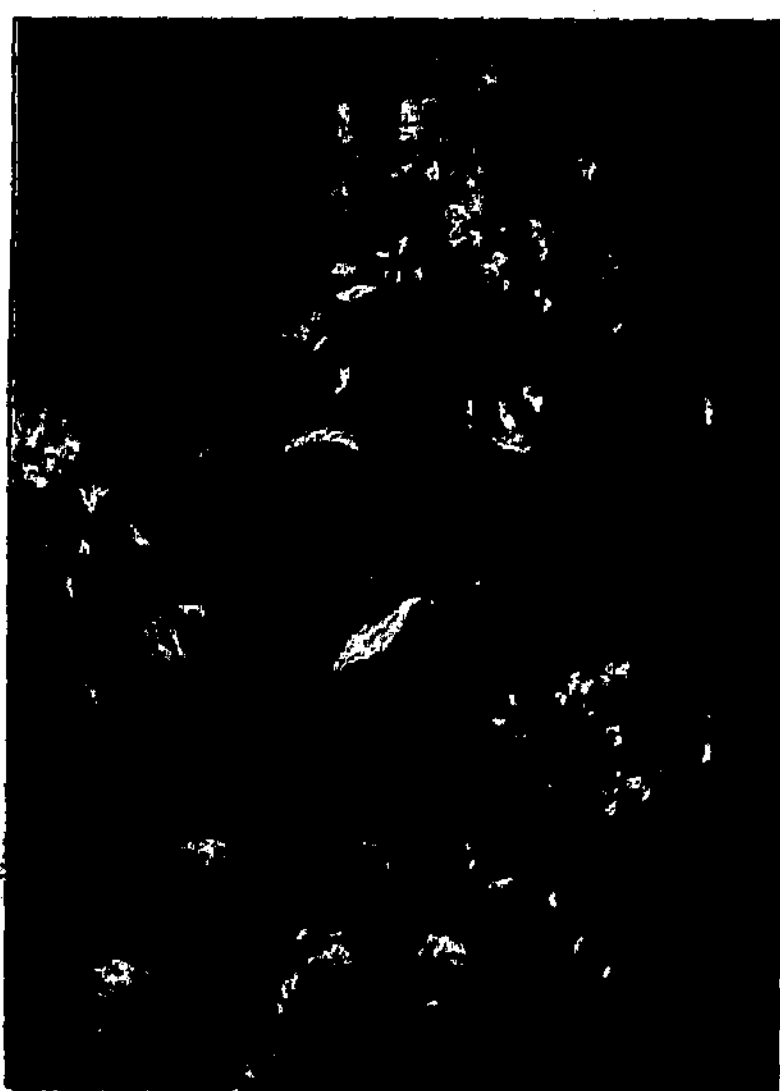
From Seattle, "Light Motion" will perform at the KiMo at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, February 7. This company features dancers Charlene Curtiss and Joanne Petroff. The company has attracted critical praise for its integration of wheelchair dance. The duo has participated in numerous festivals, including the Paralympics in Atlanta, the International Wheelchair Dance Festival in Boston and the Disabled People International's World Congress in Sydney, Australia, as well as others in Banff, Alberta and Moscow.

Tickets for the Global Dance Fest are available at the KiMo Box Office at (505) 848-1370 or from Ticketmaster at (505) 883-7800. Located at 5th and Central downtown, the KiMo Theatre is an accessible facility. Parking for performances is available behind the theater in the city garage at 5th and Copper. For special assistance, patrons are encouraged to contact KiMo staff five days prior to an event at (800) 659-83310, voice/relay.



The Arts

Southwest themes



CINDY BELL

Dianne Stallings

Story by
Dianne Stallings
IVAMONOS! WRITER

A

gifted painter in several mediums, styles and subjects,

Connie Bell doesn't dwell on her talent.

While painting remains a source of satisfaction, her main thrust for years was teaching, not showing her own work.

Even now, when she and her husband are retired and living in Ruidoso between their travels, Bell approaches her art informally, painting in oil, acrylics and watercolors next to her kitchen counter.

Yet her ability would rival many artists who work in elaborate studios,

show in high-priced galleries and refer to their art as something beyond grand.

Her conversation is sprinkled with talk of the couple's grown son, Brad, of places they have visited, of their love of the mountains and of their aging but adored dog, Trudy, with which they walk each morning.

Born in central Texas, Bell grew up in Temple and started painting when in seventh grade. She signed up for all the art courses she could squeeze in before graduating and went on to earn a bachelor's degree in art education from Sam Houston State University in Huntsville, Texas.



"I was thinking more about teaching than commercial art," she said. "I did that for 30 years, everything from grade school through high school, public and private schools and even a state reform school for boys."

She also initiated a school newspaper and taught journalism for 14 years.

Although she found little time to pursue a painting career, "I was always doing something like posters for someone and then in the summers, I painted. I just piddled on my own and checked out other techniques, trying them on my own to see what happened."

She also found time to join the Texas Women Western Artists and participate in a show in the rotunda of the state capitol in Austin, also hanging her work in several galleries in Texas and Ruidoso.

The family first visited Ruidoso in 1971 while on a trip to El Paso with their six-month-old son. A friend suggested they cool off for a day in Ruidoso. They booked a room in a small motel, worried that it offered no air conditioning. They froze the first night and then canceled their reservations in El Paso, finishing out their trip in the mountains.

Two years later, they bought a small cabin and eventually, the house they now own in Brady Canyon. In 1995, they both retired from teaching and moved to Ruidoso.

"I had so much time — especially when it snows — I started doing two to three paintings a month, and as we don't have much wall space, I started a Web page," Bell said. That led to a successful relationship with Gail Gillem from Gail's Frame of Mind, where Bell sold many of her paintings before Gillem closed the business.

Previously series produced by Bell include a focus on mountain men and miners. After her move, her attention turned to Southwestern themes with adobes and cacti, but always with a fascination for mountains.

She prefers working from photographs she snaps, but she removes or adds details as her inspiration directs.

Her medium of choice is acrylics because colors are brighter and cleaner, but she also works in oils and watercolor.

Bell's work is realistic, but her approach varies from extremely detailed to a bolder, simpler style centered on form and color.

"I do my paintings in a number of overlays," she said. "I told my mom if someone stripped one of my paintings layer by layer, there would probably be an inch of paint. That's why I like acrylics, you don't have to wait for drying, although up here oil also dries fast, but it's just so messy."

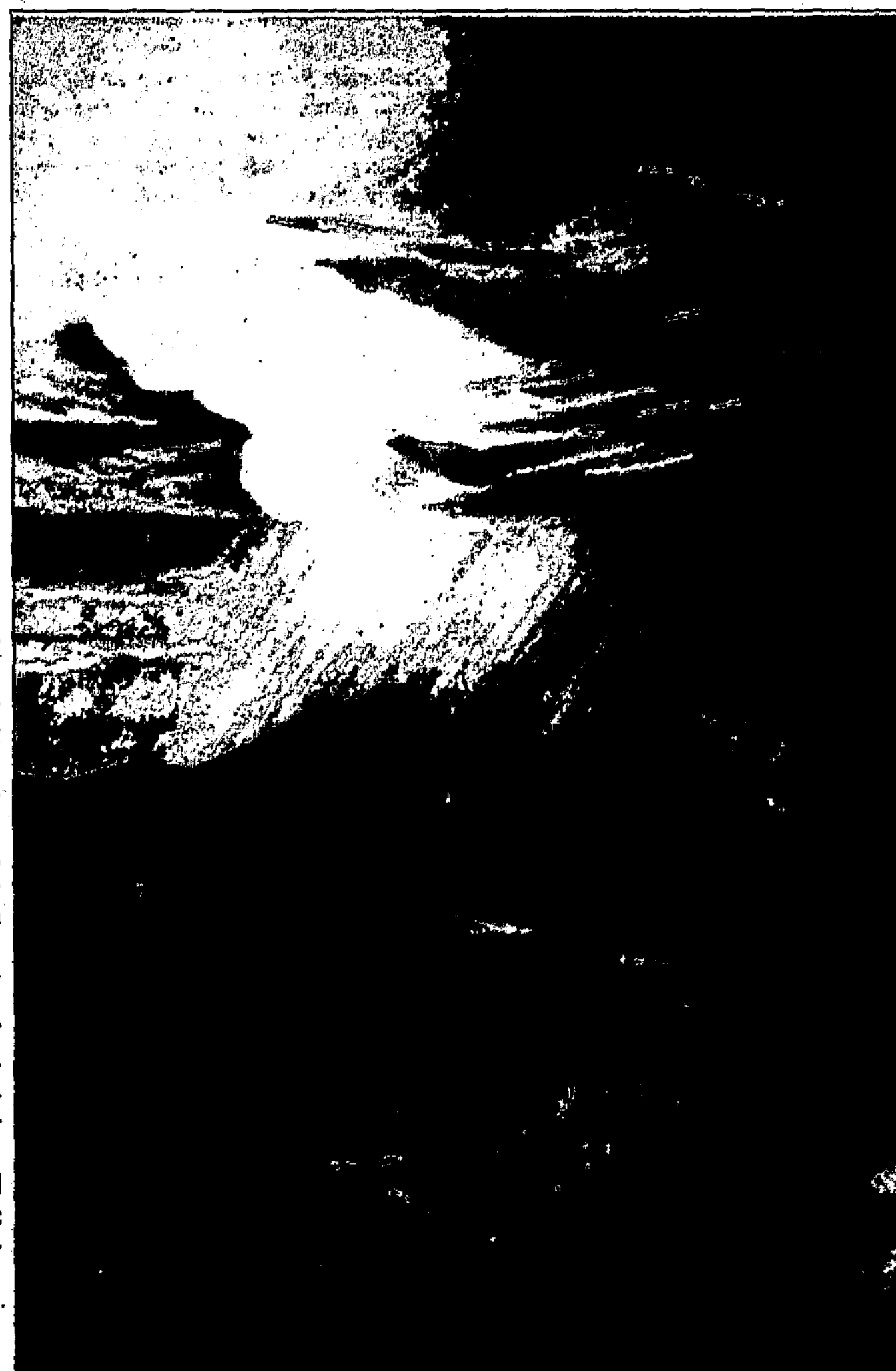
She also works from memory, such as the painting of blue bonnets she recently did for a friend's housewarming gift.

"I'm not afraid to try anything," she said.

Bell showed in a local artists' exhibit at the chamber of commerce in December and is looking for a new gallery to carry her work.

Her paintings can be viewed at her Web site: www.angelfire.com/nm/noisywater.

THE PAINTINGS SHOWN on this page are, clockwise from left: "Early Morning on Sudderth Drive"; "Juroska Dry Cleaners"; "Monsoonal Showers"; and "George." On the facing page is "Geraniums."



BELLAS ARTES

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California Colors

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Chamber Artist of the Month



Melanie J. Sanchez

MELANIE J. SANCHEZ photographs are displayed at the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce for the month of February.

Photographer Melanie J. Sanchez was born and raised in Ruidoso and is completing her last semester of a two-year photography program at New Mexico State University in Alamogordo.

The subjects of her photography include trees, scenery, sunsets, old churches, crosses, religious statues and some portraiture.

"My love for art comes from my mother, who also loves to photograph and paint, but my gift of 'seeing' comes fully from God, the greatest artist," Sanchez said. Her long-term goal is to show in fine-arts galleries, and she plans to open a portraiture business in Ruidoso.

"To me if you feel it, you're good. If you're shooting something you love, you can bring your feeling out in the photograph," she said.

Carrizozo to host art show in March

The Carrizozo Rec Center will have its first, open Spring Arts and Crafts Show on March 17. Thirty booths at \$15 each are available, and booth fees will be used for advertising.

This grew out of the Nogal Art Fest, which, after getting rained out, was held the following week at the Carrizozo Rec Center, with the rec center's Uptown Cafe catering the event in both places.

Anyone interested in exhibiting at this nonjuried show can call Karen Callahan at 648-3015 or the rec center, at 648-4220.

Museum displays new acquisitions

What do a child's wicker saddle, an Apache rifle scabbard, a stop-watch and a manure spreader have in common? They are all part of the newest exhibition at The Hubbard Museum of the American West.

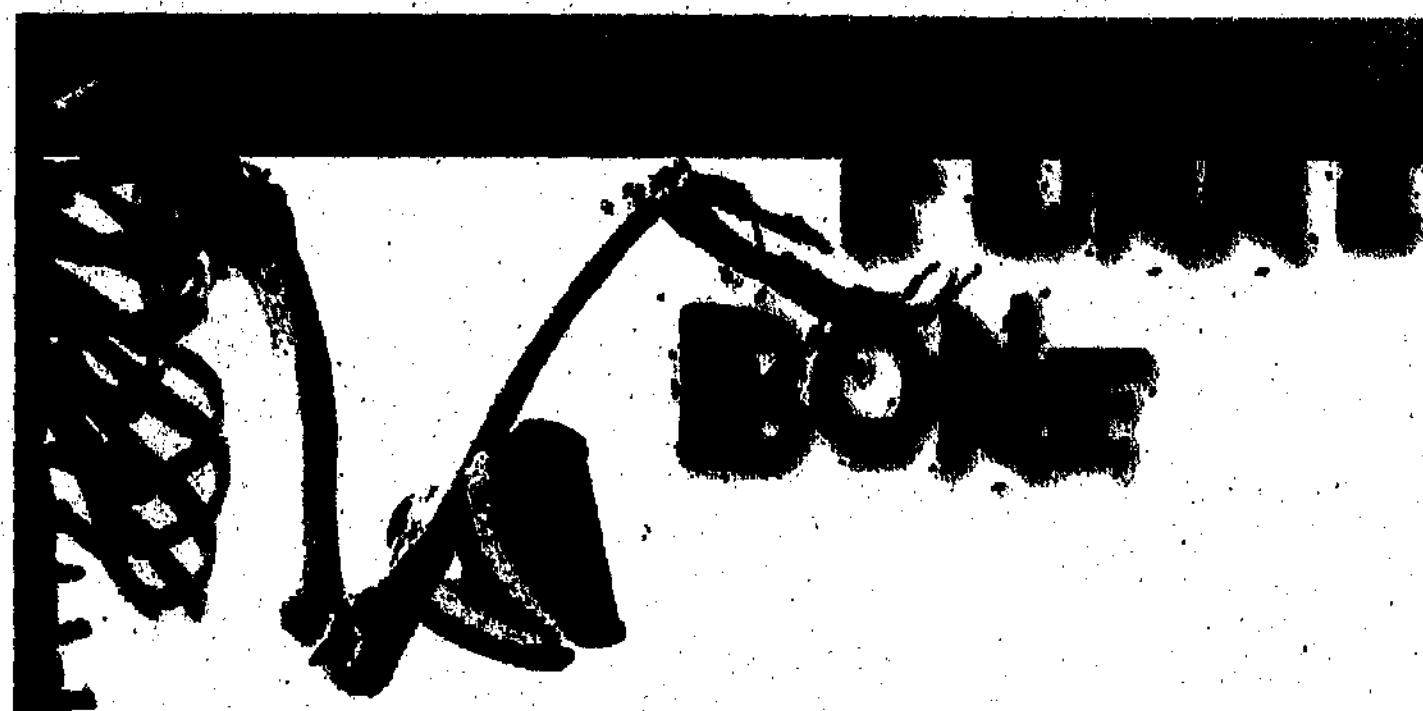
The New Acquisitions Exhibition now on display in the South Gallery includes objects ranging from paintings by Gordon Snidow and Veloy Vigil and a 1962 record by Ray Reed to everyday items like a razor strop and a coffee grinder. These objects, which were donated to the museum between January 1, 1995 and December 31, 2000, can help us connect to our past and hopefully provide a bridge to our future, a museum spokesman said.

The New Acquisitions Exhibition is open every day from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., now through May 13.

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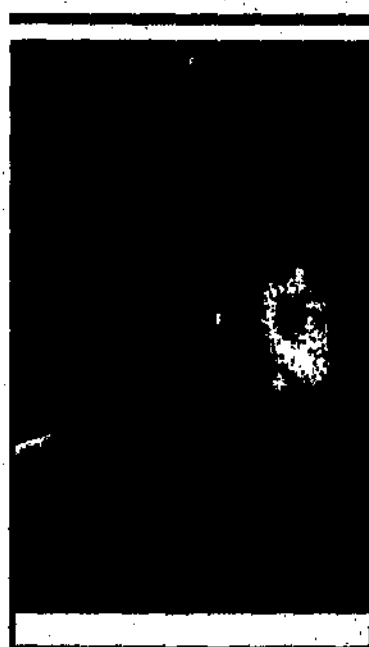
Two local artists will be opening an artist coop in the downtown area of Capitan in April. It will consist of studio-workshop spaces along with retail space. The spaces will be very reasonably priced and the artists will be juried in. There will be room for both high quality crafters and fine artists. You will be working in a very creative environment and will be in a coop with 5-10 other artists. For your chance at one of the spots, call Suzanne Butler-Marra, 354-6206, or e-mail to aa5dx@zianet.com.

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VÁMONOS!

A GPS helps a guy keep track of where his couch is



Dave Barry
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I'm a big fan of technology. Most guys are. This is why all important inventions were invented by guys.

For example, millions of years ago, there was no such thing as the wheel. One day, some primitive guys were watching their wives drag a dead mastodon to the food-preparation area. It was exhausting work; the guys were getting tired just WATCHING. Then they noticed some large, smooth, rounded boulders, and they had an idea: They could sit on the boulders and watch! This was the first in a series of breakthroughs that ultimately led to television.

So we see that there are vital reasons why guys are interested in technology, and why women should not give them a hard time about always wanting to have the "latest gadget." And when I say "women," I mean "my wife."

For example, as a guy, I feel I need a new computer every time a new

model comes out, which is every 15 minutes. This baffles my wife, who has had the same computer since the Civil War and refuses to get a new one because — get THIS for an excuse — the one she has works fine. I try to explain that when you get a new computer, you get exciting new features. My new computer has a truly fascinating feature: Whenever I try to turn it off, the following message, which I am not making up, appears on the screen:

"An exception OE has occurred at 0028:F000F841 in VxD_ . This was called from 0028:C001D324 in VxD NDIS(01) + 00005AA0. It may be possible to continue normally."

Clearly, this message is not of human origin. Clearly, my new computer is receiving this message from space aliens. I don't understand all of it, but apparently there has been some kind of intergalactic problem that the aliens want to warn us about. What concerns me is the last sentence, because if the aliens are telling us that "it may be possible to continue normally," they are clearly implying that it may NOT be possible to continue normally. In other words, the earth may be doomed, and the aliens have chosen ME to receive this

message. If I can figure out exactly what they're saying, I might be able to save humanity!

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Unfortunately, I don't have time, because I'm busy using my new GPS device. This is an extremely important gadget that every guy in the world needs. It receives signals from orbiting satellites, and somehow — I suspect the "cosine" is involved — it figures out exactly where on the earth you are. Let's say you're in the town of Arcola, Ill., but for some reason you do not realize this. You turn on your GPS, and, after pondering for a few minutes, it informs you that you are in ... Arcola, Ill. My wife argues that it's easier to just ASK somebody, but of course you cannot do that if you truly are a guy.

I became aware of how useful a GPS can be when I was on a plane trip with a literary rock band I belong to called the Rock Bottom Reminders, which has been hailed by critics as having one of the world's highest ratios of noise to talent. On this trip were two band members whom I will identify only as "Roger" and "Steve," so that you will not know that they are actually Roger McGuinn, legendary co-founder of the Byrds;

and Stephen King, legendary legend.

We were flying from Chicago to Boston, and while everybody else was reading or sleeping, "Roger" and "Steve," who are both fully grown men, were staring at their GPS devices and periodically informing each other how far we were from the Boston airport. "Roger" would say, "I'm showing 238 miles," and "Steve" would say, "I'm showing 241 miles. Then "Roger" would say, "Now I'm showing 236 miles," and "Steve" would come back with another figure, and so on. My wife, who was confident that the airplane pilot did not need help locating Boston, thought this was the silliest thing she had ever seen. Whereas I thought: I NEED one of those.

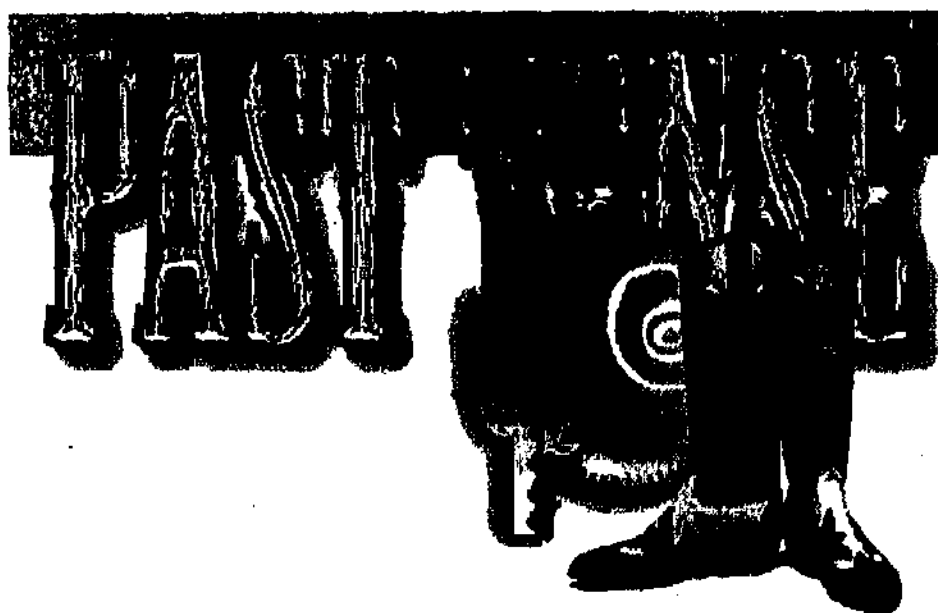
So I got a GPS for Christmas, and I spent the entire day sitting on a couch, putting it to good use. Like, I figured out exactly where our house is. My wife told me this was exciting news. I think she was being sarcastic, but I couldn't be sure, because I had to keep watching the GPS screen, in case our house moved. I also used my GPS to figure out exactly how far my couch is from LaGuardia airport (1,103 miles). There is NO END to the usefulness of this device! If you're a guy, you need to get one NOW, so you can locate yourself on the planet. While we still have one.

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Dan Tipton

Part I

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There is much documentation of Wyatt Earp's legendary "Vendetta Ride" in Arizona in the 1880s, but very little is known of some of the men who rode with him.

The Earp "posse" consisted of Wyatt and Warren Earp, Doc Holliday, Sherman McMas- ters, Texas Jack Vermillion, Charlie Smith, Turkey Creek Jack Johnson and Dan Tipton. Of course, everybody knows who the Earps and Doc were, but the others, informationally speaking, leave much to be desired. Dan Tipton is a good example. We know that he supported the Earps during the Vendetta and rode with them for much of it, but other than that, Tipton's life is most definitely not the best documented.



DAN TIPTON

Courtesy

Beginnings

Daniel Gordon Tipton, like so many other Westerners, was originally from the East. By his own statement (given at the Ohio Penitentiary many years later) he was born in 1844 in New York State. Records are sketchy, but he appears to have served in the Union Navy during the War Between the States on the USS Mahvern. Unfortunately, after that bloody conflict, Dan virtually vanishes from historical ken until 1881 when he suddenly shows up in the Tombstone story.

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Whether or not Dan was present in Tombstone on October 26, 1881, the day of the legendary "Gunfight at the OK Corral," is not known. We do know, however, that he was there on December 14, 1881, as that was the day that he registered to vote. It was also the day of the very first act of "Cowboy" (in Tombstone, the word "cowboy" was synonymous with "outlaw") retribution regarding the October gunfight.

The Vendetta simmers

John Clum, Mayor of Tombstone, editor of the *Tombstone Epitaph*, and ardent supporter of the Earps, was on a stagecoach en route to Benson when the stage came under attack. Clum, assuming, probably correctly, that the attack was directed at him, jumped off the stage and vanished into the desert night. Many historians have portrayed Clum as running around the countryside in a panic, which is absurd. Completely bald but still a young man, Clum had lived with the Apaches for several years. In that situation, it was probably the cowboys who should have been nervous. Whatever the case, except for a bullet in the leg of driver "Whistling Dick" Wright, who was following the stage in a bullion wagon, and a stray bullet that hit one of the stagecoach team, the attack was bloodless.

Two weeks later, on the 28th, the Vendetta really got going when Virgil Earp was ambushed as he crossed Allen Street. Virgil survived the shooting, but was forever crippled by it. George Parsons made note in his diary that "It is surmised that Ike Clanton, Curly Bill and McLaury did the shooting." The McLaury that

Parsons was referring to was Will McLaury, brother of the two McLaury slain at the OK Corral gunfight. An attorney, he had come to town to help prosecute the Earps. Obviously, he did more than just prosecute them.

Confrontations

On the 17th of January 1882, Doc Holliday and Johnny Ringo, both of whom were probably drunk, came within a hair's breadth of killing each other in the street in Tombstone. According to George Parsons, lawmen were "vigilant for once" and put a stop to it. The very same day, cowboy associate Ben Maynard and Lou Rickabaugh "tried to kick each other's lungs out." Maynard had a reputation as a trouble maker and he proved it about four weeks later when he had a similar confrontation with Dan Tipton. The only real difference seems to be that, in Tipton's case, firearms were involved. According to Parsons, "Bad time on the street today. Policeman just prevented Ben Maynard and Tipton from shooting one another."

This particular altercation seems to have been unique in one way, at least. It appears that Maynard may have tried to actually stab Tipton with, of all things, a pistol. The *Arizona Citizen* reported in a rather amusing fashion that "Wednesday evening Ben Maynard and T.J. [sic] Tipton, two very athletic sons of guns got into a very bad row. Mr. Maynard punched Mr. Tipton under the right eye with an Arizona tooth-pick with so much vigor that Mr. Tipton appealed to the citizens that he had been stabbed with a six shooter and that being a law-abiding community, the wounded man was carefully looked after and the next day both parties were fined in the sum of \$30.00."

Obviously, tensions were mounting all over the place, and what happened next was pretty much the icing on the cake. On March 18, 1882, while playing billiards, Morgan Earp was mortally wounded by a bullet in the back, fired from the alley outside Campbell and Hatch's Billiard Parlor. Among those present in Hatch's that night were Wyatt Earp and Dan Tipton. At the coroner's inquest, Dan was called to testify and told the court that "... sitting near the table where Morgan was playing pool, that on hearing shots witness ran to the front door, supposing them to have come from that way, he afterward went back and assisted in looking after Morgan."

Party on, dudes

Well, that did it. Seeing his favorite brother shot dead in front of him pushed Wyatt off the deep end and made him — an already dangerous man — temporarily insane. And, when he went temporarily insane, Wyatt took all of his friends with him! However, Dan Tipton was apparently not with them when the Earp posse shot Frank Stilwell (accused triggerman in Morgan's murder) so many times that there was a running joke in Tucson that they didn't know whether to bury him or sell him for scrap metal. Dan did, however, rejoin them when they returned to Tombstone and was riding next to Wyatt on the 21st when, as they attempted to leave town, Johnny Behan, County Sheriff and Cowboy friend, confronted them. Behan, who was not only a political rival of Wyatt's but also a romantic rival, pompously strode up to them as they were riding out of town. "Wyatt, I want to see you!" he announced. Earp turned slightly in the saddle and said something that should have made Johnny's blood run cold: "Johnny," he said, "if you're not careful, you'll see me once too often." Then the posse rode, unmolested, out of town. Behan wisely kept any further objections to himself.

For their next hat trick, on the 22nd, the posse went to Cowboy Pete Spencer's wood-cutter's camp, undoubtedly with the intention of awarding to Pete a group of new orifices where God had not intended. Pete wasn't there, but Cowboy Florentino Cruz, aka "Indian Charlie" was, and just as you might expect, received a .45 caliber facial courtesy of Wyatt Earp.

Busted

After the eradication of Indian Charlie from Mother Earth, Dan Tipton, in the company of Charlie Smith and possibly to obtain information and/or supplies, took their leave of the posse and returned to Tombstone. At that place, they found that this time, Sheriff Johnny Behan liked the odds. It was one thing to confront Wyatt Earp when he was in the company of Doc Holliday and a half dozen or so other gunmen. But to confront just two of those gunmen with a couple of deputies to back him up was another story. Tipton and Smith were arrested on the 24th for "aiding and abetting" the Earps. Obviously, being forced to publicly back down from Wyatt had injured Johnny's pride. On the same day, Johnny Behan, with eight deputies, had ridden out in search of the Earps. Poses look-

ing for posses. It got so you couldn't tell the good guys from the bad guys without a score card.

Actually, Johnny and his posse "pursued" the Earp posse throughout the Vendetta. It is, of course, difficult to call it pursuit when it is abundantly clear that Johnny never had the slightest intention of catching up with Wyatt. In fact, that was the last thing he wanted. Johnny was acutely aware of what had happened to Frank Stilwell, Indian Charley, and, on the 24th, Curly Bill — and virtually anyone else who got in Wyatt's way in his relentless quest for revenge.

Johnny Behan was a politician, not a gunman — or a fool. If Johnny found that the Earp posse was in the east, he immediately took off in a westerly direction. Johnny kept up the pretense of doing his job, while actually doing what was best for Johnny ... hmm, some things haven't changed.

(Note: The above aside remark is not a reference to Lincoln County Sheriff Tom Sullivan, who is a good sheriff, a good man and someone that I am proud to call a friend. It is, rather, a reference to (unfortunately) many other civil servants — you know who you are. Also, I am not necessarily referring to local civil servants, either ... Am I covering my butt here or what?)

Acquittal

At the hearing the very next day (wasn't the legal process wonderfully swift in those days?) Tipton and Smith were released. It was determined that when Behan had made his spineless

attempt to arrest the Earp party, he "had no legal process." Charges were dismissed. Charlie Smith immediately went in search of the Earp posse and Dan Tipton remained in town, apparently awaiting instructions. He must have received them, because he left Tombstone on the 5 a.m. stage on the 27th and arrived at Willcox on the morning train. According to the *Tombstone Nugget*, "He immediately obtained a horse and started at a rapid rate to overtake the party, evidently knowing their destination." One wonders if it crossed Dan's mind that, as he attempted to catch up with his friends, he just might run into the Behan posse. Johnny Behan was certainly not anxious to catch up with Wyatt, but finding one of Wyatt's posse members in an out-of-the-way place would be a godsend indeed.

Whatever the case, Dan arrived at the agreed upon meeting place, Henry Hooker's Sierra Bonita ranch, on the 27th, from which place he and the rest of the posse immediately departed. True to form, Johnny Behan and his posse arrived the next day. Shucks. Missed 'em again ...

Sources: Daniel G. Tipton and the Earp Vendetta Posse by Peter Brand; documents from the O.K. Corral inquest; Wyatt Earp's Tombstone Vendetta by Glenn Boyer; the Earps Talk by Alford Turner; *Aristocracy's Outlaw* by Sylvia Lynch; *John Ringo the Gunfighter Who Never Was* by Jack Burrows, and *A Tenderfoot in Tombstone* by George Parsons.

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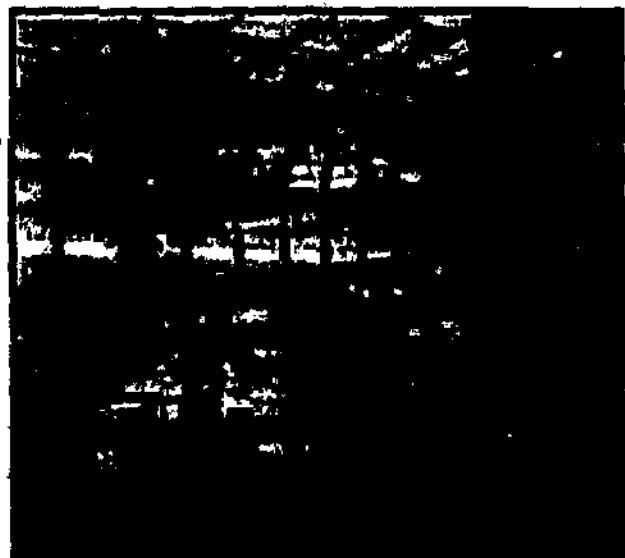


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The Crest Townhomes

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3 bdrms, 3 baths - beautiful interior and fully furnished - Sierra Blanca view - 2 car garage - wet bar - atrium - awesome!!



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Burkholder • \$395,000 • 121 Mashle Court

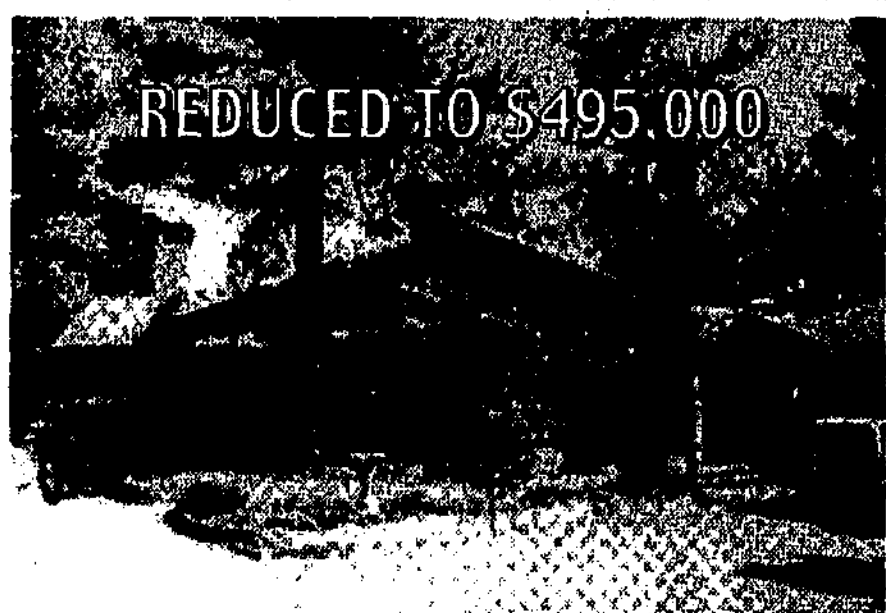
4 bdrm, 3 1/2 bath, 2984 sq. ft. mountain chalet on #6 fairway on charming cul-de-sac. Game room - close to club. Full golf membership.



Alto Alps

Ploen • \$120,000 • #13 Alto Alps Condo

3 bdrm, 3 bath, 1500 sq. ft. Fully furnished. Secluded deck with wooded view. Social membership lot to ALGCC included.



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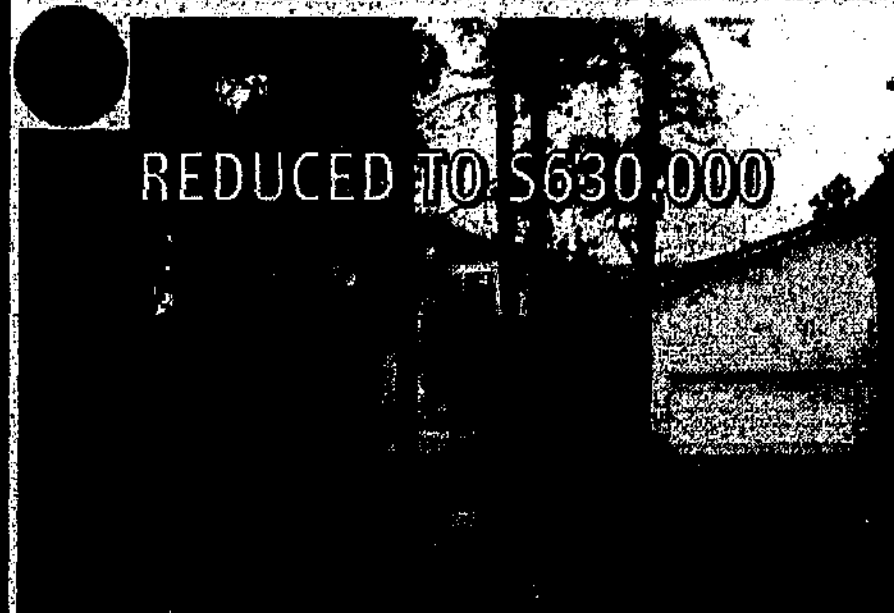
Alto

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.

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Alto

Mote • \$675,000 • 739 Deer Park Drive

One of the most elegant and unique homes in Alto. Too many amenities to mention. 7 bedrooms, 7+ baths, over 6899 square feet of elegance! Lowest level is perfect for mother-in-law wing, teenagers, etc. with separate kitchen & living area... plus fantastic views and golf membership.



Awesome Commercial Acreage with Sierra Blanca Views

Robinson • \$1,250,000

9.3 ± acres. Seller is motivated on this large multi-use potential piece of property in the heart of Ruidoso with Sierra Blanca views, large trees and easy access. Owner will carry paper and/or joint venture. Submit all offers.



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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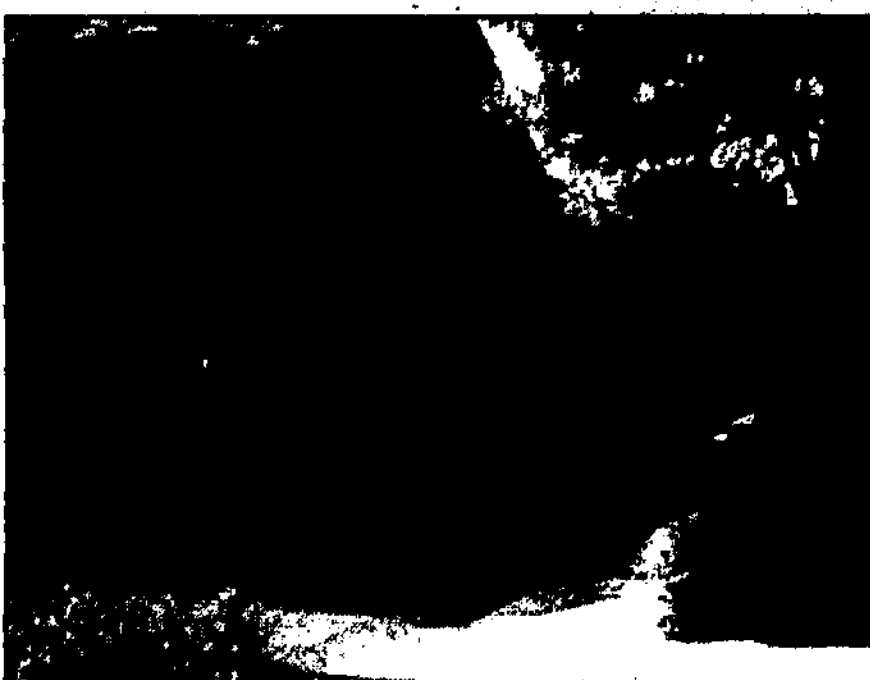


NEW CARPET & LINOLEUM

Alto

White • \$250,000 • 810 Deer Park Drive

Three bedroom, 2 bath, single car garage on flat corner lot with nice decks and full golf membership! Complete with furniture addendum.



Alto

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

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



Cherokee Addition

Key • \$109,900 • 300 James Place (aka Locke Dr.)

3 bdrm, 2 bath, fully furnished - sleeps 12 - corner location - cute and clean.

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UNDER CONTRACT

Airport West

Harkins • \$53,900 • 405 Del Norte Dr.

Furnished 3 bdrm., 2 bath older mobile with covered deck. Nice views — owner may finance!



Young Heights

Graves • \$499,500 • 116 Grove Dr.

4 bdrm, 4 bath, 2 car carport, RV port, 3958 sq. ft. on 2.08 acres. Home is all 1 level - large living room, larger den. Every aspect of this home is on a grand scale. Perfect for a 2 family type situation. Appt. through list agent.

REDUCED TO \$269,000



Country Club Estates

Carey • ~~\$289,000~~ • 100 La Luz

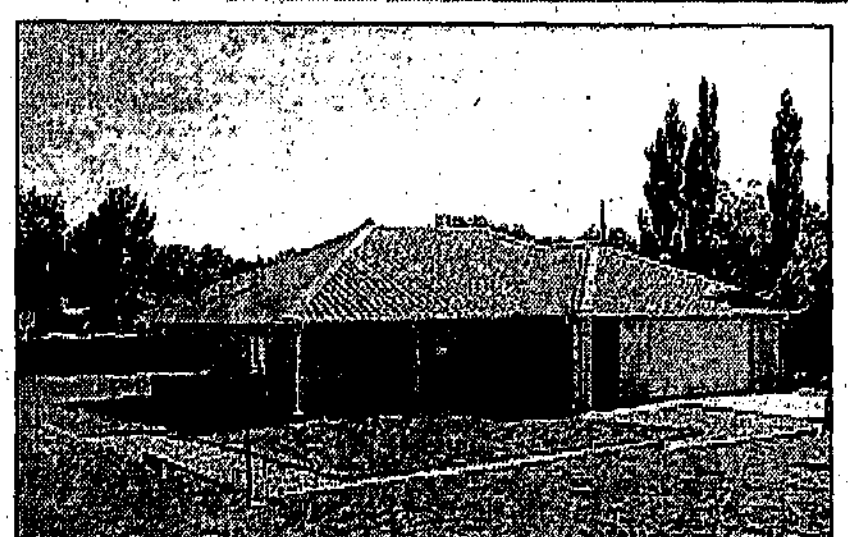
Five bedrooms, 2 3/4 baths. The breath taking Sierra Blanca view only few homes in Ruidoso have. Corner lot - approximately 3400 sq. ft. Two real moss rock fireplaces!



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.



Capitan

Cummins • \$129,000 • 434 Fifth St.

3 bdrm, 2 bath, very nice stucco home. Great floor-plan with master bdrm which is separate from other bdrms.

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Gavilan Acres

Rhodes • \$65,000 • North Road

Three bedroom, 2-bath 1979 double wide, septic, domestic well, natural gas. Furniture addendum on file.



Ponderosa Heights

Cooper • \$98,500 • 122 Aspen Circle

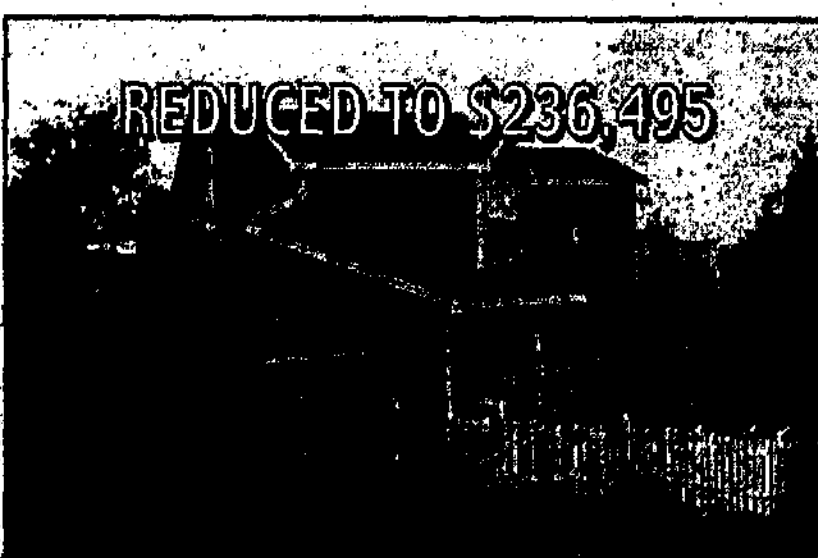
Three bedrooms, 2 baths. Excellent renter. Home is 1 level. 2-car garage. Motivated seller.



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.

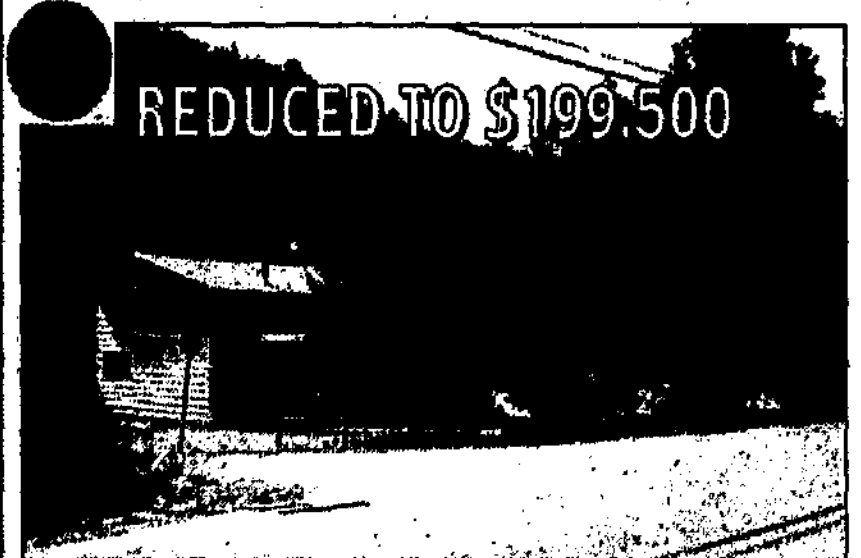


REDUCED TO \$236,495

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!

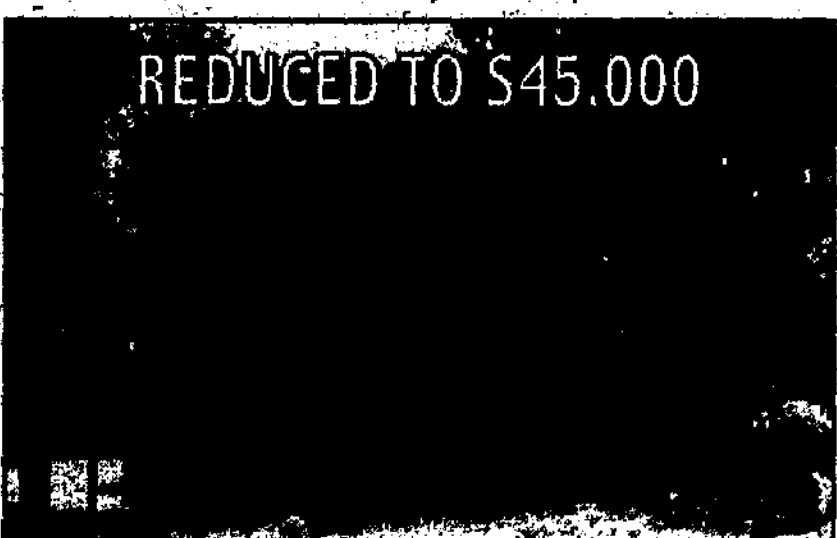


REDUCED TO \$199,500

Carrizo Canyon Road

Garnett • \$212,000 • Carrizo Canyon Road

This 3 bdrm, 2 bath home sits on 2 lots with commercial potential. Carrizo Creek to the back of the property. Split rail fencing.



REDUCED TO \$45,000

Spring Park

Green • \$49,950 • 242 Mountain View Dr.

Two bedrooms, 1 bath, completely remodeled. Nice front deck for enjoying the views. All new inside. Ready for new owner - make an offer! Motivated seller. Let us show you how to own this cabin cheaper than renting.



Alto Alps

Plumlee • \$159,500 • #48 Alto Alps Condo

4 bdrm, 2 1/2 bath. Level entry, just remodeled, new carpet. New sathillo tile. New appliances, 2 car garage, swimming pool and club house.



Valley

Lewicki • \$950,000 • 11+ acres on River

Beautiful 3,000 sq. ft. home. 14 x 80 mobile with 2-car carport. 1400 sq. ft. barn. This is a unique piece of property with water rights! Seller will consider dividing this property. Will sell mobile and barn separately.

REDUCED TO \$150,000

Ruidoso Water Co.!

Ruidoso Ice and Water. Water business only. \$175,000. Well established local business and 116 commercial accounts. Equipment and inventory included. Bldg. is also for sale.



Skyland Subdivision
Graves Ent. • \$475,000 • 1605 Sudderth Dr.

Commercial Bldg. on 8 1/2 lots. Corner of Willow and Sudderth. All city utilities, overhead door, new metal roof. 4500 sq. ft. All one level, plenty of parking and high visibility.



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.



Alto
Womack • \$139,900 • 229 Brentwood Dr.

3 bdrm, 2 bath - partially furnished - social membership - nice lot affordable Alto!



Agua Fria Estates

Residential lots from \$31,000 to \$45,000 and ranging in size from .75 acres to 1.9 acres. All building sites are restricted to southwestern styled architecture with underground utilities. Excellent water, some Sierra Blanca views, beautiful valley views, and gentle slopes. Unique appeal for natural landscaping. Commercial sites also!



Alto
Bayless • \$425,000 • 300 French Drive

5 bdrm, 3 1/2 bath, full golf. On 2 lots. 5,800+ sq. ft. Panoramic views. Exceptional value!



Alpine Village
Downey • \$139,500 • 119 Big Bear Rd.

4 bdrm, 3 bath — this home is remodeled, but appears new. New carpet, fixtures, appliances, etc. 2000 sq. ft., 12x40 heated hobby-workroom.

HOT SANDWICHES

Originals

THE SANDWICH THAT MADE US FAMOUS!

The Original — Toasted sourdough bun, three meats (lean ham, Genoa salami, cotto salami), three cheeses (mozzarella, cheddar, Parmesan), mustard, marinated black olives, onion, lettuce and tomato

Deluxe Original — More than twice the meat of The Original

Ham & Cheese Original — Toasted sourdough bun, shaved lean ham, three cheeses, mustard, marinated black olives, onion, lettuce and tomato

Turkey Original — Three cheeses, smoked turkey, Genoa salami on a toasted sourdough bun with light mayonnaise, lettuce, tomato, marinated black olives and onion

Cheese Original — Toasted sourdough bun with three cheeses (cheddar, Parmesan and mozzarella), lettuce, tomato, onion, mustard and marinated black olives

Large Original —

OUR OWN MUFFULETTA
The Original on a giant 8" bun

Light & Flavorful

Chicken Breast — Thinly-sliced roasted chicken breast on a toasted sourdough bun with Light Spicy Ranch dressing, lettuce, tomato and dill pickle slices

Smoked Turkey Breast — Smoked turkey breast on a toasted sourdough bun, light mayonnaise, lettuce and tomato

The Vegetarian — Toasted wheat bun, sliced cucumber, tomato, onion, lettuce, marinated black olives, cheddar cheese and Light Spicy Ranch dressing

Albacore Tuna — Albacore tuna on a toasted wheat bun, lettuce, tomato and Light Spicy Ranch dressing

Additional regional selection available at individual restaurants.

BREAD

Sourdough, Wheat, Dark Rye, Jalapeño Cheese Buns and Sourdough Pizza Crust

Specialty Deli

Roast Beef & Cheese — Toasted sourdough bun, hot roast beef with melted cheddar and mozzarella cheeses, dill slices, onion, light mayonnaise, lettuce and tomato

Turkey & Bacon Club — Toasted wheat bun with sliced smoked turkey, bacon strips, melted mozzarella and cheddar cheeses with light mayonnaise, lettuce and tomato

Pastrami & Swiss — Toasted dark rye bun, lean pastrami sliced thin and piled high, Dijon mustard and melted Swiss cheese

Additional regional selections available at individual restaurants.

DELI DEALS™

Choice of Featured Sandwiches or Pizzas with Chips (Regular, Barbeque, Sour Cream & Onion, Jalapeño, Salt & Vinegar) and Fountain Drink

The Original
Smoked Turkey Breast
Turkey & Bacon Club
Pastrami & Swiss
The Original Combination Pizza
Double Cheese & Pepperoni Pizza

8" PIZZAS

Double Cheese & Pepperoni — Herbed sourdough crust, traditional favorite with tomato pesto, extra portions of mozzarella cheese and pepperoni

Barbeque Chicken — Herbed sourdough crust, strips of roasted chicken breast, BBQ sauce, onion, jalapeño, mozzarella and cheddar cheese with tomato pesto

Thai Chicken — Herbed sourdough crust, basil pesto, strips of roasted chicken breast, Thai Peanut Sauce, grated carrots, chopped green onion and mozzarella cheese

Chicken & Pesto — Herbed sourdough crust, strips of roasted chicken breast, green onion, basil pesto, tomato, black olives and mozzarella cheese

The Original Combination — Herbed sourdough crust, pepperoni, mushrooms, bell pepper, onion, black olives, fresh tomato, mozzarella cheese and tomato pesto

Vegetarian Special — Herbed sourdough crust, bell pepper, onion, mushrooms, black olives, basil pesto, fresh tomato and mozzarella cheese

Smoked Turkey & Jalapeño — Herbed sourdough crust, smoked turkey, jalapeño peppers, tomato pesto, mozzarella and fresh tomato

Double Cheese — Herbed sourdough crust, tomato pesto with extra portions of mozzarella and Parmesan cheese

Additional regional selections available at individual restaurants.

SALADS

Chicken Caesar — Romaine lettuce, strips of roasted chicken breast, mozzarella and Parmesan cheeses. Try with Olde World Caesar dressing

Caesar — Romaine lettuce, mozzarella and Parmesan cheeses. Try with Olde World Caesar dressing

Smoked Turkey Chef's — Mixed lettuce, smoked turkey, mozzarella and cheddar cheeses, tomato, black olives and pepperoncini

Garden and Small Garden — Mixed lettuce, tomato, cucumber and black olives

Potato Salad

Additional regional selection available at individual restaurants.

DESSERTS

Freshly Baked Cookies
New York-Style Cheesecake
Fudge Brownie Cake

SOUP

Delicious Daily Varieties

KID'S DEALS

Cheese Pizza — Kid's cheese pizza, a cookie and a 12 ounce soft drink

Cheese Sandwich — Toasted sourdough bun with three cheeses, a cookie and a 12 ounce soft drink

Additional regional selection available at individual restaurants.

BEVERAGES

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Fountain Drinks

(Coke, Diet Coke, Sprite, Other Flavors)
Freshly Brewed Iced Tea
All Natural Lemonade
20 oz. Bottle To Go

