



► **BUSINESS**

Electronic tax filing gains popularity in Ruidoso

PAGE 3C

► **SPORTS**

Warrior basketball team enters regional play

PAGE 1B

► **VAMOS**



Where urban fetishes meet Mark Twain

PAGE 6D

► **HOME & FAMILY**

Capitan teen launches musical career

PAGE 1C

► **WEATHER**

Partly sunny today

PAGE 2A

► **INDEX**

- The Arts 6D
- Business 3C
- Classifieds 4B
- Crossword 7B
- Going Out 3D
- Letters 4A
- Movies 5D
- Opinion 4A
- Past Tense 10D
- Real estate 4B
- Sports 1B
- Weather 2A
- What's Happening 5D

Snowpack conditions 'promising'

Past week brought 24 inches to slopes

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

In the higher elevations of the Sacramento Mountains, where the snowpack accumulates that feeds the Ruidoso and Bonito rivers and recharges underground water resources, the news was good Thursday. Over the past week, snow storms generously dropped 24 inches of flakes on Sierra Blanca Peak and the Ski Apache Resort slopes.

The village of Ruidoso didn't reap as much benefit, registering from six-tenths of an inch to two inches of snow Friday to Saturday, about a half-inch of rain Tuesday and three inches of snow Wednesday, according to the National Weather Service office in Albuquerque.

But Keith Kessler, who has measured the snowpack along a 10,280-foot ridge since 1987, said conditions looked promising.

"The snow was fairly well packed and the ground wasn't frozen anywhere," he said. "It was damp, but not as damp as last month. Only two points had any crust and those were the lowest depth readings."

Kessler, who manages the Bonito Lake recreation area and reservoir for the city of Alamogordo, measures the snowcourse on the first day of February, March and April.

In March 2000, he came back down with dire predictions of practically no spring runoff.

Only four of the 10 measuring points were covered with any snow and the deepest snow depth was a pitiful 6.5 inches in contrast to a 1999 reading of 31.5 inches.

Thursday's measurements beat 1999.

The average snow depth was 44.25 inches with a high of 55.5 inches and a low of 30 inches.

Water content measured in inches registered 15.5 inches for the deepest point and 7.5 inches for the most shallow compared to less than one inch as an average last year.

Density, the percentage of water in the snow, ranged from 22 percent to 29 percent.

"There's a lot of snow up there," Kessler said. "It looks good."

Data from the weather service released last year showed that the top four warmest years of the last century occurred in the previous five years. The dry 2000 winter was followed by a severe fire season with more than 8,500 acres burned in Lincoln County forests.

The prognosis this year looks a lot better, Kessler said. Last month's readings exceeded 13-year averages and it looks like results will be the same for March.

Kessler also reported that since Feb. 4, Bonito Lake received about 1.6 inches of rain until Monday and since then another 0.8 of an inch.

Entertainer to headline rally

This year's Golden Aspen event expected to bring more bikers

BY JAMES KALVELAGE
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The fall Golden Aspen Rally is anticipated to bring 500 to 800 additional motorcyclists and a nationally known concert performer.

Promoter Ron Andrews, who said the motorcycle event Sept. 19-23 will include some different entertainment, declined to name the concert event. His only comment — it will be a well known individual.

The rally itself will be held at the Ruidoso Downs Race Track and Casino because there is more space and parking. In the past the motorcycle gathering was centered at the Ruidoso Convention Center.

Andrews, who addressed the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce board Wednesday, said the convention

center will still be rented for the motorcycling event. He said classic bikes, American Motorcycle Association classes and an auction will be part of the convention center activities.

Last year's fall rally brought 6,000 paid registrants and 20,000 to 25,000 others, Andrews said.

"With a new facility I'm hoping to hit 50,000 people in a few years," he said. "This year is going to be all new. New events. A new location."

A new event will be motorcycles climbing hills, involving a "different breed of people," Andrews said. A motorcycle demolition derby is also planned.

Andrews figured the economic impact of the Golden Aspen Rally last year at \$3 million during the five days.

Crews have been working since late October to remove juniper and other water-guzzling fire hazards from the historic settlement of Lincoln



A Bureau of Land Management crew feeds limbs and other timber debris into a chipper on land where junipers were trimmed in the settlement of Lincoln.

Thinning the trees

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Crossing the Rio Bonito, members of a Lincoln County public lands group and Bureau of Land Management officials trudged their way up a slope Thursday and entered an opened area punctuated by several well spaced trees.

For county Public Lands Use Advisory Council volunteers and Jerry Hawkes of the Smokey Bear Ranger District of the U.S. Forest Service, it was their first

chance to see thinning efforts along the river and on the slopes of hills throughout the historic settlement of Lincoln.

BLM crews have worked since late October to remove fast-growing and invasive junipers and other water-guzzling plants like salt cedar that pose a wildfire hazard for the historic district that celebrates the 1870-80s era.

See THINNING, page 2A

4 women charged in pyramid scheme

Suspects received an estimated \$500,000 in alleged Texas-New Mexico scam, police say

BY JAMES KALVELAGE
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Two Ruidoso women were among four arrested Wednesday, the result of a monthlong pyramid scam investigation.

Investigators with the New Mexico State Police and the 12th Judicial District Attorney's Office executed search and arrest warrants in Lincoln, Otero and Dona Ana counties.

Arrested were Jalane Birkelbach, 48, and Alexis Barnett, 27, both from Ruidoso. Also taken into custody were Francine LaMay, 30, of Tularosa and Verlaine Davies, 56, from Las Cruces. Each was charged with pyramid and multilevel sales, a fourth degree felony.

The warrants were carried out about 6:30 a.m. Wednesday.

Investigators were looking for one additional person in connection with the alleged scam.

An estimated \$500,000 was alleged to have been received by area woman police said.

Police believed the scam was being conducted across New Mexico and parts of Texas. The alleged pyramid program is titled Women Gifting Women or Women Helping Women.

The probe began when women, some in the Ruidoso area, began calling police and asking questions about the legality of the program Women Helping Women.

"I started getting calls here, people asking about the legality of it," said New Mexico State Police Officer

Chris Mirabal who is stationed in Alamogordo. "They said they were told they could maybe make \$40,000."

The program was described as a chart that represented women with hearts. Each heart represented \$5,000. Once all the hearts are filled the person on the bottom would receive \$40,000.

"This seems to be pretty nasty," said Lt. William Bower of the state police. "It's all over the place."

Bower said the New Mexico Attorney General's office was handling investigations at other locations in the state.

Mirabal said thus far the number of victims in the alleged scam was more than 50.

Feud grips volunteer fire department

Assistant chief targeted for ouster by some members of Nogal group

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Some members of the Nogal Volunteer Fire Department are trying to oust Patrice Brazie as assistant chief.

Although Brazie said no specific incident has been cited to her, she received a certified letter from four members, including Chief John LaMay, declaring their intention to attempt to remove her from the position, she said.

A special meeting was called for 7 p.m., next Wednesday at the fire station, but Brazie said it may be changed to Thursday.

"They haven't told me what I did other than it was insubordination," Brazie said. "This is the first time I've heard of trying to remove a volunteer."

Nogal Fire Chief John LaMay did not return calls to his home.

Brazie moved to Nogal, a small settlement on State Highway 37 between Angus and Carrizozo, about five years ago.

She joined the fire department more than one year and has been assistant fire chief for three years ago.

"I am going to try to stay in the department," she said. "I have asked (Lincoln County Manager) Tom

Stewart to attend the meeting. As far as what I have done to evoke this, I have no idea."

Stewart said he stays out of internal "frays" in the county's volunteer departments.

"What I tell everybody is to follow their by-laws," he said.

"When they find a member who is disruptive, go to their by-laws and they will tell them how to proceed. I try to stay out of the business between a department and one of its members," the county manager said.

As a project this year, Stewart said he is trying to standardize by-laws of the county's various volunteer fire departments.

A member of the department who asked not to be identified said Brazie has focused on improved training for volunteers, but may have generated some ill will by moving ahead on her own to accomplish that goal.

Kathy Eisen, a member of the Nogal department, said Brazie had several confrontations with Chief LaMay and that she refused to participate in the last training session dealing with breathing apparatus.

The department has lost members because of the tension, Eisen said.

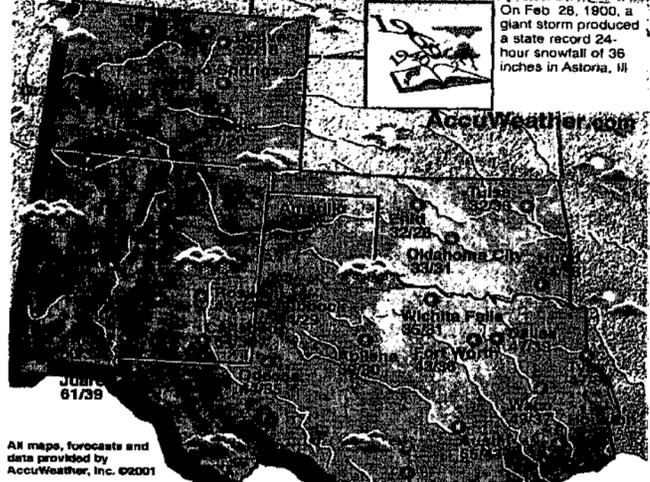
"It's a volunteer department and members should be comfortable," she said.

M
A
R
C
H
2
0
0
1

ACCUWEATHER SEVEN DAY FORECAST FOR RUIDOSO

| A shower | It may shower | Partly sunny | Mostly sunny | Mostly sunny | Sunshine | Partly sunny |
|----------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|----------|--------------|
| 40° | 32° | 48°/34° | 50°/34° | 54°/34° | 55°/35° | 56°/36° |
| 56°/35° | | | | | | 56°/35° |

REGIONAL WEATHER TODAY IN HISTORY



All maps, forecasts and data provided by AccuWeather, Inc. ©2001

SUN AND MOON

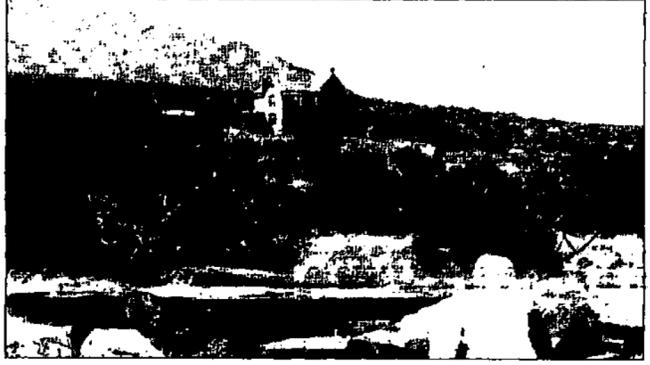
| | Sunrise | Sunset |
|-----|-----------|-----------|
| Wed | 6:32 a.m. | 5:59 p.m. |
| Thu | 6:31 a.m. | 5:59 p.m. |
| Fri | 6:30 a.m. | 6:00 p.m. |
| Sat | 6:29 a.m. | 6:01 p.m. |
| Sun | 6:27 a.m. | 6:02 p.m. |

MOONRISE AND MOONSET

| | Moonrise | Moonset |
|-----|------------|------------|
| Wed | 9:40 a.m. | 11:09 p.m. |
| Thu | 10:16 a.m. | none |
| Fri | 10:57 a.m. | 12:11 a.m. |
| Sat | 11:44 a.m. | 1:15 a.m. |
| Sun | 12:38 p.m. | 2:18 a.m. |

UV INDEX

| Time | UV Index |
|---------|----------|
| 8 a.m. | 1 |
| 10 a.m. | 2 |
| 12 p.m. | 3 |
| 2 p.m. | 4 |
| 4 p.m. | 3 |
| 6 p.m. | 2 |
| 8 p.m. | 1 |



Hoyle house in White Oaks.

L.C. SCRAPBOOK

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

The Capitan Progress March 1, 1901

Several carloads of freight for the Fort Stanton U.S. Marine Hospital arrived here this week and is being forwarded as fast as possible.

Thos. T. Payne, the energetic young man who has charge of J.W. Prude's Ruidoso

store was in town this week circulating among his many friends.

George Sena has opened up a law office at Lincoln.

We predict that within the next six months more than one thousand quartz miners will be working within fifteen miles of Capitan and Nogal.

B.H. Moeller has opened up a general merchandise store at Lincoln. Mr. Moeller is a young and energetic business man, well known throughout the country.

THINNING: Officials and volunteers see efforts to reduce fire hazard

Continued from page 1A

Besides thinning on four BLM-owned tracts, the federal agency is working with private land owners and other government groups to create a 400-foot fire break around the community. Another benefit of the thinning is that fewer trees are pulling on the area's underground water supply.

"Local residents were invited to enter into a memorandum of understanding with the BLM to conduct fuel treatments on their private lands," said Tim Kreager, BLM assistant field office manager for resources in the Roswell District.

To date, 60 percent of the 95 tract owners in the district have signed as well as the Hubbard Museum of the American West, the New Mexico State and Office, the Museum of New Mexico, the Lincoln Volunteer Fire Department and the Lincoln Historic Preservation Board.

Involving private land owners was a necessity, if a viable fire break was to be created, he said.

Photographs 50 to 100 years old show the hills with just a few scattered junipers, Kreager said.

"Today they are covered

with trees and that's all the current generation remembers," he said.

Old buildings and artifacts in Lincoln are too important to take a chance of losing to fire, Kreager said. The vulnerability of such areas became clear last spring when wild fires burned more than 8,500 acres in the county. Much of the charred acreage was overgrown national forest.

Jim Desmond, from BLM's fire manager's office, said crew composed primarily of off-season fire fighters, started behind the amphitheater at the north-west end of Lincoln and moved through a juniper forest. "We came in with chain saws and chippers and followed the road to the water tanks," he said. "We left scattered trees so as not to completely denude the hills of vegetation."

Burning the piles of debris was rejected, because chipping was safer. Tree trunks and larger branches were cut into fireplace sizes and hundreds of cords of wood were distributed to the elderly and the state Monuments Division in Lincoln and elsewhere, Desmond said. Others used the timber for decorative poles.

"We wanted this project to be an honest public outreach,"

he said, adding that the process is "labor intensive."

Although a low-intensity fire may be used later to remove some other vegetation, for now burning was rejected, in part because smoke tends to hang in valleys and might create respiratory problems for residents, he said.

The community of Lincoln is seeking grant money to install fire hydrants behind the amphitheater and at other key points in town to improve the chances of fighting a fire, he said.

Along the stream on the north side of the settlement, two-thirds of the trees were removed, he said.

Resident James Sanchez said he hopes the move will increase the amount of water available for field irrigation. Following the Cree Fire in May, several springs reemerged in areas that previously were choked with trees, he pointed out.

"We'll wait a year or so to see if willows and cottonwood come in by themselves," said Howard Parman, BLM public information officer. "If that doesn't happen, we'll plant some."

The effort to date cost between \$50,000 to \$60,000, said

Kreager, including travel expenses for crews from Boise, Idaho. The bureau also purchased a \$21,000 chipper that can handle trees up to 12 inches in diameter, after first renting one for \$1,000 per month, Desmond said.

About 60 percent — 125 acres — of the project is finished, he said. The goal for this project is about 150 acres and more will follow, he said.

"I'm feeling fairly confident now that our local volunteer fire department and agencies could handle a fire here without losing a building," Desmond said.

"I think the BLM has done a first class job," Sanchez said. "Their work is very visible. They didn't just offer fancy words."

Desmond emphasized that the project can't just be a one-time effort. Crews will have to go back in and chemically treat new growth as it sprouts from severed trunks.

At some future date, a low-intensity fire may be needed to remove other unwanted vegetation.

"It's a never-ending process," he said, adding that when fire season starts, a special crew of non firefighters will continue the work.

Highway 48 travelers to see more road signs

BY JAMES KALVELAGE RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

State Highway 48 motorists will see some changes along the roadway.

Additional signs will be going up, Ruidoso Mayor Robert Donaldson said.

"I met with the (state) highway department last week and we toured 48," Donaldson said. "We went over issues that need to be done."

The mayor said more speed limit signs and additional signs indicating

that five lanes squeeze to three will be erected along Mechem Drive.

On westbound Sudderth Drive at the intersection with Mechem Drive the right lane will be designated for a right turn only onto Mechem Drive.

"It will improve traffic flow. People going to Upper Canyon won't have traffic waiting to make the right turn," Donaldson said.

The mayor said the New Mexico State Highway and Transportation Department also will come in to restripe Sudderth Drive.

Silt fences behind the curbs at some Mechem Drive locations will probably remain in place for another year. Donaldson said he was told the erosion protection fences had to stay until there was 70 percent vegetation growth in the right-of-way.

"It will improve traffic flow."

Robert Donaldson, Ruidoso mayor

CREMATION \$750 - NO FUNERAL HOME INVOLVEMENT
Phone 505-885-3325 or 505-622-8117
 Funeral Directors have been trained to look out for their best interest, and you better look out for yours.

INCOME TAX PREPARATION

Patricia S. Ortiz
 1204 Mechem • Ruidoso, NM
 White Mt. Plaza
258 - 9046
evening & weekend appointments available

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Lucinda Nunez of Picacho would like to express their heartfelt appreciation for the wonderful support that we received at the time of her loss. It is so comforting to have the hugs and handshakes and words of kindness at a time like this. Special thanks to Dr. Seidel, the staff at Eastern NM Medical Center and the Roswell paramedics. We thank everyone especially for your friendship.

The Nunez, Sanchez, Wages and Jenks families.

The Humane Society of Lincoln County wishes to thank the following people and businesses for their support of the annual Cross Your Heart Cup women's ski race and benefit auction for the local homeless animals.

- SKI APACHE • CASA BLANCA RESTAURANT • DESERT EAGLE
- JOY WILLIAMS • BOB WALKER AND CREW • RUSH SKI
- LOTIONS AND POTIONS • STEED'S • ALTO SKI • AFRAME AND STANS SNOWBOARD SHOP • LONG'S PHARMACY
- CANDLE POWER • FARLEY'S • RUIDOSO OFFICE SUPPLY
- RACCOON • SKI WEST • CAFE RIO • PRO SKI • SWEET RETREAT • SKY'S THE LIMIT • RUIDOSO SKI RENTAL
- WORLD AUTOMOTIVE • K-BOB'S • WESTERN AUTO • THE FIREPLACE • RADIO SHACK • BOB CARTER • MOUNTAIN SKI SHOP • MARK AND DELORES REMINGTON • SHERRY TURNER • MCGARY'S • SKI RUIDOSO • MICHELLE'S
- FAST PRINT • MUSEUM OF THE AMERICAN WEST • SHOW-TIME VIDEO • SCHLOTZSKY'S • CABBAGE ROSE • LARRY SCHNEIDER • CARLA AND ADVANCED HAIR DESIGN

RUIDOSO NEWS

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 128, Ruidoso, NM 88355
 Phone: (505) 257-4001 Fax: (505) 257-7053
 e-mail: ruidosonews@zianet.com
 www.ruidosonews.com

Brad L. Treptow Ext. 3 Publisher
Michael Scanlon Ext. 18 Editor

Keith Green, Ext. 19 Editorial Advisor
 Cherie Holmes, Ext. 9 Circulation Manager
 Karen Payton, Ext. 12 Office Manager
 Steve Tellez, Ext. 24 Pressroom Manager
 Cynthia Taylor, Ext. 11 Production Manager
 Sandy Suggitt, Ext. 15 Education/Volunteer Editor
 Lisa Morales, Ext. 7 Advertising Manager
 Gina Booty, Ext. 20 Bookkeeper

Dianne Scallings, Ext. 22 County gov't Reporter
 Janis McWilliams, Ext. 13 Maitroom Supervisor
 Linda Wilson, Ext. 8 Classified Account Exec
 Linda Wallace, Ext. 2 Sales Account Exec
 James Kalvelage, Ext. 23 Village gov't/Business Reporter
 Wesley Schwengels, Ext. 5 Sports Editor
 Angel Gonzales, Ext. 6 Sales Account Exec

Ray Candelaria, Inserter; Laura Saenz, Inserter; Stella Herrera, Inserter; Alyce Monte, Inserter; Martyn Miller, Inserter; Leyla Shalkhauser, Inserter; Greg NeSmith, Circulation Manager Assistant; Judd Shalkhauser, Route Driver; Andrea Treptow, Route Driver; Diane Gremillion, Production Assistant; Laura Flynn, Production Assistant; Franci Bergener, Production Assistant.

Subscription rates in advance—single copy, 50¢. Mail delivery: single copy, \$2.50; in Lincoln and Otero counties: one year, \$34; six months, \$20; three months, \$14. Out of Lincoln and Otero counties: one year, \$43; six months, \$27; three months, \$21. Home delivery: three months, \$20; six months, \$33; one year, \$68. Call (505) 257-4001 for home delivery.

The Ruidoso News (USPS 472-800) is published each Wednesday and Friday at 104 Park Avenue, Ruidoso, NM 88345. Second class postage paid at the Post Office at Ruidoso, NM 88345. Postmaster: Send address changes to the Ruidoso News, P.O. Box 128, Ruidoso, NM 88355.

The Ruidoso News reserves the right to reject advertising and edit copy that it considers objectionable. Liability for any error in advertising shall not exceed the value of the actual space in which the error occurs and shall be satisfied by correction in the next issue. No portion of this Ruidoso News may be used in any manner without the expressed, written consent of the publisher. The Ruidoso News is published by WorldWest Limited Liability Company.

Member of the New Mexico Press Association
 Member of Inland Press Association, NNA
 Copyright 2001

Now that we're here, what can we do for you?

Benchmark Business Solutions
 301 N. Main St
 Roswell, NM 88201
 505-627-0055 or 800-378-9179

Xerox Authorized Sales Agent

As the new Xerox Authorized Sales Agent for this area, we're here to provide you with affordable, world-class Xerox products and services to help meet your business needs. We also offer the support and personal attention you expect from a locally owned business.

The full range of Xerox products runs from the renowned family of Xerox Document Centre digital copier/printers and award-winning network printers to the market-leading Xerox DocuColor digital copier/printers. All backed by the unique Xerox Total Satisfaction Guarantee, the ultimate expression of confidence in the performance of Xerox products.

We're excited to be here and look forward to introducing ourselves and showing you just how easy it is to take advantage of powerful Xerox document solutions.

For more information, contact us at

Benchmark Business Solutions
 505-627-0055 or 800-378-9179

Xerox Authorized Sales Agent

Capitan Hay Sales

317 E. Smokey Bear Blvd.
 Capitan, NM

HAY SPECIAL

#1 ALFALFA HAY \$5.50/BALE
 #2 ALFALFA HAY \$4.50/BALE

COMPLETE LINE OF

ACCUFEEDS

Trainer Jack Brooks gets 1 year probation

Racing commission finalizes action Wednesday

BY JAMES KALVELAGE
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The quarterhorse trainer who led Eysesa Special to a win of the \$2.2 million All American Futurity at Ruidoso Downs last September will continue to race in New Mexico.

A New Mexico Racing Commission action, placing Jack Brooks, 65, on probation for one year was finalized Wednesday, said Julian Luna, director of the commission.

A horse Brooks trained had tested positive for cocaine after winning a Feb. 11, 2000 race at Sunland Park Race Track near Las Cruces, prompting the commission review.

In addition to the probation Brooks was fined \$1,500. Assistant trainer Kenneth Hart, 53, was also fined \$750.

"I'd like for this to end. I'm innocent," Brooks told the Associated Press.

Duke Thornton, the hearing officer in the case, had recommended against suspending Brooks from racing in New Mexico. The commission agreed. The one year probation allows Brooks to continue to race horses.

Brooks, of Edmond, Okla., had said he did not know how the cocaine got into Golden Form, a three-year-old filly.

A groom employed by another trainer and working in a barn in which Golden Form was held before the race also tested positive for cocaine, according to the Associated Press.

Brooks said he sent the filly to Sunland Park to race in trials and, because there were no available stalls at the track, his horse was placed in a private barn owned by another trainer.

Additionally, the commission order disqualified Golden Form from its first place finish and deemed the horse "unplaced" in the ninth race Feb. 11, 2000 at Sunland.

The race's purse was ordered to be redistributed accordingly. Brooks and Hart, as well as employees, were required to also continue random drug testing.

Brooks, who has been involved in horse racing since 1959, has won eight times at the annual All American Futurity, more than any other trainer.

Village to preview playground project March 5

Children to be asked their preferences; volunteers needed

BY JAMES KALVELAGE
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A community-built playground at the White Mountain Complex in Ruidoso could see construction take place during a May to June timeframe.

Village Manager Alan Briley said a community meeting March 5 at the Ruidoso Convention Center will present the idea to village residents.

"This is more of a planning meeting for the playground," Briley told village councilors Tuesday.

A firm specializing in playgrounds, Leathers and Associates Inc. of Ithaca, New York, was recommended by a committee to design and provide construction oversight of the project.

Children will be called upon to detail what they want in a so-called interpretative playground that would then see volunteer adults actually put the park together.

"We need volunteers," Briley said. "Everyone is welcome to find out about the project at the March 5 meeting." The informational gathering will begin at 7 p.m.

A notice about the meeting and a poster contest for children on their ideas was being distributed. Ruidoso Parks and Recreation Department Director Rafael Salas said the flyers would be passed out at schools, day care centers, the library, nurseries and other locations.

The poster contest, for those under the age of 13, seeks ideas or designs that may be used to plan the playground. Prizes will be awarded.

Salas said Leathers and Associates representatives are tentatively scheduled to be in Ruidoso on March 26-27 to begin the planning process.

"It's time to belly up," said Councilor Bill Chance, who has taken a lead role in advancing the community built play-

ground idea. "It's getting close to the time," he said of those who indicated a desire to be involved in the planning and construction. "We need volunteers who want to lead, who want to work," Chance said. He urged volunteers to come to the March 5 meeting.

The envisioned playground would be on Ruidoso School District property immediately north of the White Mountain schools complex. A joint powers agreement had previously been approved to site the play area on school land.

A village memorandum to the mayor and councilors stated that Leathers and Associates would come to Ruidoso for a design day to meet with school kids, parent groups and others interested in the playground.

Once a design is accepted the firm would detail the cost of designing the project.

Next hearing in Herrera case to bring witnesses

Former fire chief's lawyer expects to call eight to testify in appeal of firing

BY JAMES KALVELAGE
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A fourth hearing session in former Ruidoso Downs fire chief Nick Herrera's termination appeal will take place a week from Sunday.

The scheduled March 11 session, open to the public, will provide Herrera's attorney an opportunity to call witnesses. In three previous days of testimony before a hearing officer, the village of Ruidoso Downs has presented their foundation for firing Herrera last August.

J. Robert Beauvais, Her-

reira's attorney, said he anticipates calling about eight witnesses, including the current Mayor Bob A. Miller and his predecessor, Joe Hayhurst.

"We've indicated in this case that this was politically motivated and not justified," Beauvais said.

During testimony last month an accountant who performed a special audit of the

Ruidoso Downs Fire Department alleged payments for firefighter responses were padded.

The village has filed suit against former members of the department seeking recovery of more than \$30,000. Hundreds of pages of exhibit materials were introduced by the village as evidence supporting the termination.

"We will methodically go through each account," Beau-

vais said of the exhibits and testimony of the auditor. "We will put into question the assumptions she has made. I expect we'll rebut it point by point."

Beauvais said the appeal of a termination normally seeks to reinstate an employee. He said other remedies could be pursued.

Herrera was placed on paid administrative leave by the village just before the start of the Cree Fire last May. On August 28 the village council voted to terminate the 10 year member of the department.

Downs budgets up to \$6,000 to find village administrator

BY JAMES KALVELAGE
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Ruidoso Downs will spend up to \$6,000 in the quest that could lead to hiring a new village administrator.

Trustees Monday approved an advertising budget to post the opening in monthly trade publications geared to municipal administrators and in regional newspapers.

"You're looking at a healthy budget," Dan Bryant, village attorney, told the council. "Last time it was capped at \$1,000. That's a woefully inadequate sum to get a qualified administrator."

At a workshop on the administrator question last Friday Bryant said the mayor and council have the ability to determine if the village required a CEO.

"Make the process open," Bryant said. "Involve the public, staff and the council. The better we are at bringing these people into the process ... the more successful we will be when done."

In recommending a search committee be established Bryant said a large panel, per-

haps seven to nine people, be seated. He said two council members, two from the public and one "in-house" staff person could be a starting point.

"That group's function would be to gather up applicants and bring finalists to you," Bryant said. "You decide the number to interview. Is it three, five, seven?"

"The search committee would bring it down to that number. From that number you guys make the selection," he said.

The position, which is included in the current fiscal year budget, has \$61,000 earmarked for salary and benefits.

"This is the person that is going to be at the helm of your ship," Bryant said.

A description of the position states the village administrator would report to the mayor and village council.

The general purpose of the position would be the performance of high-level administrative, technical and professional work in directing and supervising the administration of the municipal government.

Entertainment As Easy As Your Favorite Chair.

- No Equipment To Buy
- We'll Do The Installation
- Worry-Free Maintenance
- Access To Over 200 Channels

Enjoying great television with DIRECTV® from Pegasus couldn't be easier. Just pick up the phone and you'll be enjoying the very best in-home entertainment! More movies, more sports, more pay per view, more EVERYTHING! All delivered in crystal clear digital picture and sound. Make the call and ask about our EZ Plans® - we'll do the rest.

Call Your Local Dealer or 1-800-289-PGTV

Ask us about our MONTH of FREE programming offer**

DIRECTV.

*Limited time offer available from participating dealers to new residential subscribers in Pegasus service territory only. One-year subscription to any Select Choice® or Total Choice® programming package required. Additional set-up, non-standard installation and additional receiver fees apply. For up to \$250 may be required if programming is discontinued, suspended or restricted in any state. Programming licenses will be used monthly. In-home service plan covers repairs related to ordinary usage only. If authorized by PEG Service Corp. and approved by American Standards Institute, this EZ Plan and EZ Plus plan may be discontinued with any other offer. **In select areas. FREE month of programming offer requires new pay monthly service agreement with a credit or debit card. \$37 promotional pay plan fee applies. Service must be active by the end of the term and in Pegasus service territory. Offer ends 3/31/01. Offer subject to change without notice. Offer available while supplies last. Programming, pricing terms and conditions are subject to change. A two-year service agreement and phone bill is required for some plans and pay per view. Select Choice, Total Choice and DIRECTV are registered trademarks of Pegasus Entertainment Corporation. Pegasus is a service mark of Pegasus Communications. All Rights Reserved. All other trademarks and service marks are the property of their respective owners. PEG000000-000

YOUR AD COULD BE HERE! Call 1-800-289-PGTV

WHAT A GREAT BUY! Brand new septic system. See this 372 mobile in very excellent condition. 2 covered decks, partially fenced. Rooms larger than most. Owner wants quick sale. \$24,900. #93900

SIERRA BLANCA VIEWS from Lot 33. Three lots for large acreage & room to roam. Lots can be sold separately or together. Approx. 19.21 acres total. \$175,000. #93389

Ahhhhh! Ruidoso! Georgia Underwood Century 21 Aspen Real Estate

1490 AM

RUIDOSO NEWS • TALK • TOURISM

Don Innes 5-9 AM
Rush Limbaugh 10 AM-1 PM
Paul Harvey 9 AM/1 PM/5 PM
Dr. Laura 1:15-4 PM

M
A
R
C
H
2
0
0
1

OPINION

RUIDOSO NEWS

PUBLISHED EVERY WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY
AT 104 PARK AVENUE, RUIDOSO, NEW MEXICO
Brad L. Treptow, Publisher Michael Scanlon, Editor
Keith Green, Editorial Adviser
Copyright 2001

OUR OPINION

Can't get enough from the trough

Seldom has it been so evident that New Mexicans function as dependents of the state and federal government — much like a "banana republic," as one former governor noted.

Our state receives much more in federal money than it pays in taxes. Our representatives in Congress have made their careers largely by keeping that money flowing. The rest of us recognize that, by keeping them in office for decades. We may be dependent, but we understand how the seniority system in Washington works, and we know the power of committee chairmanships in divvying out the tax money.

That, of course, runs counter to President Bush's income tax-cut proposal, but the majority of New Mexicans would subscribe to a national poll this week that puts tax reduction far down on the list of concerns.

Yes, we in Lincoln County would love to keep more of our money, but Lincoln County in no way is typical of the rest of the state; we voted for George W., but New Mexico didn't.

We would like to reduce the state's income tax rates, exempt food and medicine and hospitals from the gross receipts tax, let entrepreneurs flex their wings unfettered by excessive taxes... but, alas, this is New Mexico.

LETTERS POLICY

The *Ruidoso News* encourages letters to the editor, especially about local topics and issues. Each letter must be signed and must include the writer's daytime telephone number and mail address. The phone number and mailing address will not be printed; the hometown will be. The telephone number will be used to verify authorship. No letter will be printed without the writer's name.

Letters should be no more than 300 words in length, of public interest, and free of libel; editing will be for length, grammar or spelling. Shorter letters are preferred and generally receive greater readership. The *Ruidoso News* reserves the right to reject any letter. Longer by-lined "Guest Commentary" articles will be considered; call the editor at (505) 257-4001.

Letters may be delivered to the *Ruidoso News* office at 104 Park Avenue, mailed to P.O. Box 128, Ruidoso, NM 88365; faxed to 257-7053; or sent by e-mail to ruidosonews@zianet.com.

FOR REFERENCE

- | | |
|--|---|
| <p>U. S. SENATOR PETE V. DOMENICI (R) 328 Hart Senate Bldg. Washington, DC 20510-3101 (202) 224-6621</p> <p>U. S. SENATOR JEFF BINGAMAN (D) 703 Hart Senate Bldg. Washington, DC 20510-3102 (202) 224-5521</p> <p>U. S. REPRESENTATIVE JOE SKRZEN (R), DIST. 2 2302 Rayburn House Bldg. Washington, DC 20515 (202) 225-2365</p> | <p>GOVERNOR GARY JOHNSON (R) State Capitol Santa Fe, N.M. 87503 800-452-4406</p> <p>STATE SENATOR PETE CAMPOS (D), DIST. 8 500 Reynolds Ave. Las Vegas, NM 87701 425-0508</p> <p>STATE REPRESENTATIVE DUB WILLIAMS (R), DIST. 56 HC66 - Box 10 Glencoe, NM 88324 (505) 986-4454 / 878-4181</p> |
|--|---|

Elected officials welcome questions and comments. During legislative sessions, delegates may be reached by mail at State Capitol, Attn. Mail Room Dept., Santa Fe, N. M. 87503

COUNTY OF LINCOLN

COMMISSION CHAIRMAN REX WILSON (DIST. 1)
Star Route Box 53
Carrizozo, NM 88301
648-2428

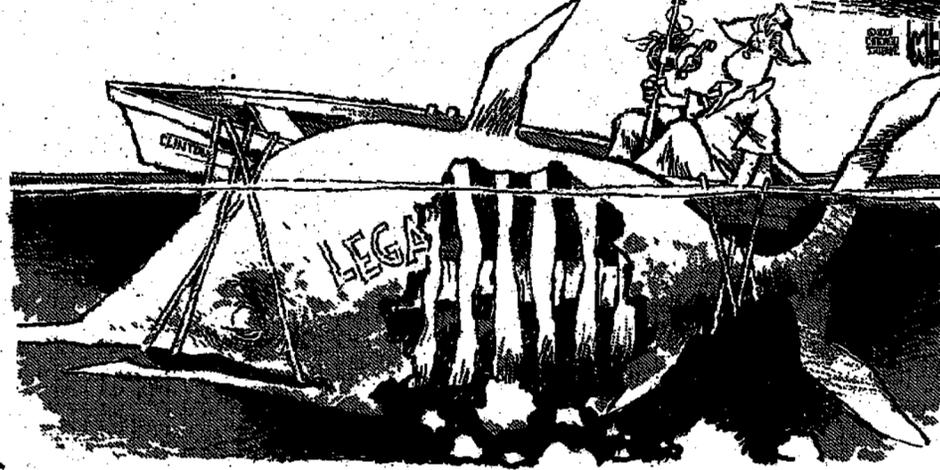
- | | |
|---|---|
| <p>COMMISSIONER, DIST. 2 L. RAY NUNLEY Box 459 Ruidoso, NM 88365 258-5787</p> <p>COMMISSIONER, DIST. 3 LEO MARTINEZ Box 7908 Ruidoso, NM 88365 258-2212</p> | <p>COMMISSIONER, DIST. 4 WILLIAM SCHRETTMANN Box 83 Alto, NM 88312 337-8040</p> <p>COMMISSIONER, DIST. 5 RICK SIMPSON HC66, Box 70 Glencoe, N.M. 88324 653-4249</p> |
|---|---|

VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO

MAYOR ROBERT DONALDSON
Box 2958
Ruidoso, NM 88365
258-4046 • 257-2443

- | | |
|--|--|
| <p>COUNCILOR RON ANDERSON Box 1665 Ruidoso, NM 88365 258-9298</p> <p>COUNCILOR FRANK CUMMINGS Box 892 Ruidoso, NM 88365 257-7861</p> <p>COUNCILOR BILL CHANCE Box 4912 Ruidoso, NM 88365 257-4842</p> | <p>COUNCILOR LEON EGGLESTON 430 Main Road Ruidoso, NM 88345 257-9460 • 257-5121</p> <p>COUNCILOR LINDA FLACE P. O. Box 845 Ruidoso, NM 88365 257-5900 • 257-9240</p> <p>COUNCILOR BOB SWANSON Box 4306 Ruidoso, NM 88365 258-4418</p> |
|--|--|

THE OLD MAN AND THE LEGA SEA



YOUR OPINION

A character issue right here in Lincoln County

To the editor:
In the past, I stated that President Clinton and his largely Democratic supporters lacked character. I can say the same for our predominantly Republican county as a whole. After all, the majority of our people either glorify or silently condone the glorification of the former convicted murderer, Billy the Kid.

Evidently we have named a pageant and a byway after an outlaw because Lincoln County, unlike other areas of our country, has never had any law-abiding, decent philanthropists who deserve to be honored in lieu of William Bonney. Reader, how would you like for the pageant, which honors a murderer, to also be dedicated to you?

When I first decided to attack our county's idol, Billy the Kid, I felt that by doing so my name would probably become "Mud." Surprisingly, a number of people have told me that they too feel that it's immoral to glorify a murderer and murderer.

There is a ray of hope for our county's youth. It's encouraging to know that there are some people who feel that each adult should set a proper example for children.

Lincoln County has a juvenile delinquent problem. Aren't the adults who praise William

Bonney guilty of contributing to the delinquency of a minor or minors? Maybe not legally, but definitely morally.

Billy the Kid should be condemned, not pardoned and glorified!

Franklin L. Boren
Tinnie

The popular vote

To the editor:

Our new president has forgotten, or maybe Cheney never told him, that he didn't win the popular vote. That means that more than half of the Americans who voted in November didn't support his call for a return to trickle-down Reaganomics (I never wanted anyone to trickle down of me, thank you very much), that policy which increased the tax burden on the middle class, and gave us huge deficits. Indeed, it took a Democrat in the White House to pass a budget that finally, without a single Republican vote, put us on a path to where we are today.

Instead of giving all that money to a few people who, let's face it, certainly don't need it, how about funding research that would find a cure for every disease known to man. Or actually making a meaningful investment in our schools (maybe give teachers a 100-percent raise). Or how about this novel idea — pay off the debt!

Glenn Remington
Ruidoso

LOOKING ASKANCE

It's time for cockfighters to rise up and crow

BY NED CANTWELL
RUIDOSO RESIDENT

New Mexico is threatened. And I don't mean just the threat that Manny Aragon may one day regain his powerful Senate pro tem position. No, the threat I refer to is this horrid bill now creeping through the Legislature, a thief in the night poised to snatch away just one more of our freedoms.

House Bill 922 would outlaw cockfighting anywhere within borders of New Mexico. Are you outraged? Are you ready to march on Santa Fe? You can bet I am.

Yo, people, *helllooo!* Don't you realize cockfighting is to New Mexico what maple syrup is to Vermont?

We are talking heritage here. Cockfighting is one of the nation's honored traditions. Are we to let it slip into history much like other cherished traditions we once honored, such as child labor abuses, sweat shops, slavery? I say not.

I suspect the short-sighted opponents of cockfighting have never spent an enjoyable Sunday afternoon at one of these events. What happens is you get a couple of roosters, strap razor-sharp gaffs to their legs, dope them up on stimulants, get them madder than a wet

hen by holding them face to face, then drop them into a small pit and let them claw one another to death. In other words: great fun!

Opponents, too, ignore the fact that cockfighting spurs the local economy, although, admittedly, other than the gambling and beer spending, it is mostly chicken feed.

Because New Mexico is so enlightened, we are one of only three states which have not outlawed cockfighting. We join the distinguished citizens of Oklahoma and Louisiana in insisting on this basic right of free blood spattering.

Alas, even within the confines of New Mexico there are enough weak-kneed, sloppy liberal wimps to erode this basic freedom. Eleven counties and 27 cities have made cockfighting illegal through local ordinances. The Village of Ruidoso has fallen in to the animal rights folk, but Ruidoso Downs and Lincoln County have leaders with guts to spare.

We applaud the New Mexico Senate which recently had the fortitude to kill the cockfighting ban. But the rooster bill has reared its ugly head in the House. And so, we urge our House legislators to stand firm against cockfighting opponents

Shame on Dub

To the editor:

In the *Ruidoso News* Feb. 21 issue, State Rep. Dub Williams, a Republican from Glencoe, who initially sponsored HB322, currently being edited for 4 to 16 pages, was quoted as "disappointed in the delay...more disappointed in two opponents..."

HB322, if approved, exempts elected officials from compliance with long-established RFP procedures. Currently, the County of Lincoln and Presbyterian Healthcare Services are aggressively seeking its passage.

If passed, it will not serve the best interests of taxpayers or the public monies entrusted to those who govern.

The attorney general has repeatedly urged its defeat, and with good reason — it eliminates oversight.

For Representative Williams to suggest that newcomers have no role in county government reveals more about Mr. Williams than it does governance. After all, he is from Louisiana.

For Mr. Williams to imply that seniority and/or time in grade is the qualifier for dissenting comment by the taxpayer is both offensive and wrong headed.

Shame on you...
Richard Thompson
Ruidoso

who have been crowing about a poll taken in January by Research and Polling Inc., of Albuquerque which shows that 81 percent of New Mexicans support a ban on cockfighting.

It should come as some consolation to our local guys, Dub Williams and Pete Campos, that only 77 percent of their constituents are opposed to this fun sport.

Truly fellow patriots, the numbers are against us. But we cannot let that bleed our determination. Senator Roman Maes, a Santa Fe Democrat, said it best: "There are not many supporters of cockfights in the state. But every time they lobby in Santa Fe, somehow they convince the whole Legislature it's like going to see the Lobos." Exactly! And that's what we simply must continue to do. Just stay fighting mad!

Okay, I have run out of puns, and patience. We can put an end to the embarrassment of cockfighting. Right now. Call Williams and Campos at the State Capitol: (505) 986-4300. Tell them to lend their support to House Bill 922.

Ned Cantwell is a former *Carlsbad* newspaper publisher who occasionally gets on his soapbox at his home in Ruidoso.

Don't forget the C villages

If Hillary Clinton thinks it takes a village to raise a child (and that's what she said one time), then we have no compunction in saying it takes at least five villages to make a county.

Fortunately, Lincoln County has five villages incorporated under the laws of New Mexico, and sometimes we in Ruidoso tend to forget that.

Whether it's because so much of Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs is made up of "short-timers" or "summer people," or because we're so enamored of our pine trees and up-scale eateries and casinos and golf courses — well, whatever the "because," the fact is our "C" villages sometimes slip off the edge of our consciousness.

But things are happening out there, in Carrizozo and Capitan and Corona. People are moving in, not for the trees and the climate and a short-time stay, but to make a life, become part of the community, contribute...

Like Terry Dunlap of Capitan. He got tired of Fort Worth a while back, did some Internet browsing (his parents had a home in Alto), and discovered Capitan had a good school system for the kids. Now he's acquired the ca. 1920 Buena Vista Hotel and is turning it into — well, he's not quite sure what yet, but the first steps are impressive.

The Buena Vista building is just across the street from the soon-to-be Capitan Public Library. Perhaps it's natural that Dunlap has become a library board trustee.

Twenty miles west, in Carrizozo, a refugee from the cold upper Midwest came looking for warmth two years ago, found a run-down house a couple of blocks south of the Highway 54-380 intersection, and with much sweat equity and considerable investment created Carrizozo Joe's coffee house.

That establishment has turned into something of a center for all things artistic happening in the area — and a lot is happening, all the way from Capitan to Carrizozo and White Oaks.

Like Dunlap in Capitan and many other newcomers to the "C" villages, Carrizozo Joe has quickly become involved in his new hometown. He's the new president of the Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce...and very, very proud of Carrizozo.

"You watch, before too many years, Carrizozo will be the biggest city in the county," he says. "It's got so much to offer."

OUR RIGHT TO KNOW

The First Amendment

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof, or abridging the freedom of speech or the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

Open Meetings

In recognition of the fact that a representative government is dependent upon an informed electorate, it is declared to be public policy of this state that all persons are entitled to the greatest possible information regarding the affairs of government and the official acts of those officers and employees who represent them. The formation of public policy or the conduct of business by vote shall not be conducted in closed meetings. All meetings of any public body, except the legislature and the courts shall be public meetings, and all persons so desiring shall be permitted to attend and listen to the deliberations and proceedings...

NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1

RUIDOSO POLICE

Police probe hit-and-run

Ruidoso police are trying to figure out who was driving a vehicle that rear-ended another.

Police were called to U.S. Highway 70 near Camelot Drive shortly after midnight on Feb. 24. Just one damaged vehicle was found at the location.

A New Mexico Department of Public Safety Special Investigation Division agent notified Ruidoso police he had found an auto with moderate front end damage about 7 miles away near Apache Summit. The driver and passenger air bags had been deployed but no one was in the vehicle.

Two people found walking west of the summit said they had been in the back seat of the vehicle, the driver rear-ended a vehicle in Ruidoso, and the driver fled into the woods near the summit when the auto quit.

The man the two passengers identified as the driver later appeared as did a relative of the owner of the car. The alleged driver denied operating the vehicle telling police he had been partying and was convinced he was too drunk to drive.

Two arrested after fight

Two people were arrested Feb. 26 after a physical altercation in the parking lot of Santino's Italian Restaurant on Sudderth Drive.

Billi Jo Whitlock, 24, Ruidoso Downs and Robert Sean Pascuzzi, 32, Ruidoso, were each charged with misdemeanor battery on a household member. Whitlock was bleeding profusely from a facial cut when police arrived.

According to a police report, Whitlock admitted arriving at the parking lot just before midnight and attacking Pascuzzi in his pick-up truck. During the fight both fell to the ground.

Pascuzzi, who left the scene, was found by police at another Sudderth Drive location.

He said Whitlock attacked him, biting his face. He also had injuries to his neck and an arm. Pascuzzi told police that Whitlock's facial injury happened when the two fell.

Battery complaint filed

A criminal complaint alleging battery has been filed against a Ruidoso man. Kendall Price, 30, is accused of hitting another man and then throwing the victim to the ground in a dispute over money reportedly owed to Price.

During questioning by police Price admitted swinging at the victim and putting him on the ground but not throwing him to the ground. The incident happened about 5 p.m. Feb. 20 in the 400 block of Third Street.

Teen arrested in bar

Police arrested a 19-year-old Feb. 27 at Farley's Food Fun and Pub at 1200 Mechem Drive.

Sean R. Donaldson, Ruidoso, was charged with being a minor in possession of an alcoholic beverage and being a minor in a licensed establishment, both misdemeanors.

Two police officers were doing a walk-through at Farley's when an employee said the manager was having a problem with someone.

Donaldson reportedly left a booth and ran into the pool room where he was found hiding under a pool table. He admitted drinking several beers. The teen also gave officers a fake ID.

Firearms taken

The Criminal Investigation Division of the Ruidoso Police Department is looking into the reported theft of firearms from a residence in the 100 block of Juniper Road.

A number of guns had been in storage, with the firearms' owner reporting five of the guns taken between July 1, 2000 and Feb. 11.

The value of the missing guns was estimated at \$4,000.

Digital camera stolen

A digital camera, valued at \$160, was reported stolen Feb. 26 from a medical room at the Lincoln County Medical Center in Ruidoso. The misdemeanor larceny case was reported by an employee of the hospital.

Cellular telephone taken

A cellular telephone and charger were reported taken from a vehicle between 9 p.m. Feb. 20 and 10 a.m. Feb. 21.

The victim told police she had been at a couple of locations before noticing the phone was missing. The electronic equipment was valued at \$150.

Cops seek missile menace

Ruidoso police are looking to track down a passenger of a car after a vehicle traveling on Sudderth Drive Feb. 23 was struck by a projectile.

A motorist told officers that a passenger in an oncoming vehicle hurled something through a sunroof.

The motorist provided police with a description of the vehicle and a license plate number. The case has been categorized as injury to property and propulsion of a missile, both misdemeanors.

Complaint names two

Two Ruidoso people have been named on criminal complaints alleging misdemeanor injury to property.

A resident in the 200 block of Grove Drive told police she found the two inside her home, despite one of the pair having been kicked out previously. The resident said the couple told her they got in through a window.

A broken window frame, damaged to the tune of \$100, was discovered. Charged with injury to property were Lachsha D. Phillippi, 36, and Michael R. Phillippi, 40.

Cree Fire convict taken back into custody

BY JAMES KALVELAGE
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The Ruidoso man required to perform community service in Lincoln County through this year for his connection to the Cree Fire has been retrieved from Colorado.

Joseph Howard Martin, 22, was arrested in Eagle County, Colo. Feb. 20, according to information from the Lincoln County Sheriff's Department. Martin waived his right to an extradition hearing and was collected by the sheriff's department last week. Eagle County is about 100 miles west of the Denver area.

Martin was convicted last July 27 of contributing to the delinquency of a minor, for allegedly not taking action to stop a juvenile from triggering the May

7 blaze that burned 8,265 acres of federal, state and private lands.

At sentencing, District Court Judge Karen Parsons placed Martin on 18 months of supervised probation, with a requirement that he perform 40 hours of community service weekly while on probation.

The community service was to include rehabilitation labor, such as erosion control work, in the aftermath of the fire.

Martin's community service activities could be reduced by two hours for each hour he was gainfully employed. A minimum of 10 hours of the unpaid work was required weekly.

Martin's conviction came after he had admitted going to a cave immediately east of Ruidoso with three juveniles on May 7.

Marijuana was allegedly used by Martin and one of the teens, according to police reports.

Another of the juveniles reportedly admitted he set a branch on fire for illumination in the cave and later tossed the branch on the ground outside the cavern.

When the group later left the cave flames had spread to two trees and ground cover.

Efforts to find out when Martin left the state were unsuccessful.

Lincoln County Undersheriff Ricky Virden said it cost the sheriff's office \$421 to return Martin from Colorado. He said state orders to extradite someone are a growing financial issue for the department.

Verden suggested the state needed to address its unfunded mandate.

SHOCKS BRAKES ALIGNMENT STRUTS WHEELS USED TIRES SHOCKS BRAKES ALIGNMENT

BIG O TIRES
HOME OF BIG FOOT TIRES

GOOD YEAR

**BUY 3
GET THE
4TH ONE
FREE!**

CALL FOR AVAILABLE
SALES & PRICES

BF Goodrich

**SPECIAL
\$99.95***
BF GOODRICH
31-1050 R15'S
ALL TERRAIN RADIALS
INCLUDES MOUNTING
AND BALANCING

Shop Big O for the Lowest Prices!



**Steel Belted
All Season
35,000
Passenger**

| | |
|-----------|---------|
| 175/80R13 | \$26.95 |
| 185/80R13 | \$28.95 |
| 185/75R14 | \$29.95 |
| 195/75R14 | \$31.95 |
| 205/75R14 | \$33.95 |
| 205/75R15 | \$34.95 |
| 215/75R15 | \$34.95 |
| 225/75R15 | \$34.95 |
| 235/75R15 | \$34.95 |



**Steel Belted
All Season
35,000
Metric**

| | |
|-----------|---------|
| 155R12 | \$19.95 |
| 155R13 | \$23.95 |
| 165R13 | \$24.95 |
| 175/70R13 | \$28.95 |
| 185/70R13 | \$29.95 |
| 185/70R14 | \$29.95 |
| 185/70R14 | \$32.95 |
| 205/70R14 | \$34.95 |



**All Terrain
35,000
Truck**

| | |
|-------------|---------|
| P215/75R15 | \$51.95 |
| P235/75R15 | \$54.95 |
| LT235/75R15 | \$59.95 |
| 31-1050R15 | \$74.95 |
| LT245/75R16 | \$74.95 |
| LT235/85R16 | \$79.95 |
| LT265/25R16 | \$79.95 |

**BASIC BRAKE JOB
\$89.95**

*Most cars per axle drum or disc. *Install premium pads or shoes
*Resurface drums or rotors *Adjust brakes on serviced axle
*Road test vehicle *Semi metallic pads extra

*On most cars and light trucks. Valid at Ruidoso store only. Expires 3/16/01

**ALIGNMENT
\$5.00 OFF!!!**

*On most cars and light trucks. Valid at Ruidoso store only. Expires 3/16/01

COMPLETE OIL CHANGE 19.95*

INCLUDES: Up to 5 qts. oil • Havoline 10W/30 OR • New filter • Lube chassis • Air pressure • All fluid levels

Havoline FORMULA 3 MOTOR OIL

*On most cars and light trucks. **Plus disposal. Valid at Ruidoso store only. Expires 3/16/01

**4 TIRE ROTATION & REBALANCE
On Performance & Light Trucks
\$24.95**

*On most cars and light trucks. Valid at Ruidoso store only. Expires 3/16/01

**TRANSMISSION SERVICE
\$79.95**

Includes new filter
Gasket's fluid up to 6 qts.
*On most cars and light trucks. Valid at Ruidoso store only. Expires 3/16/01

**USED TIRES
\$9.95 and up**

*On most cars and light trucks. Valid at Ruidoso store only. Expires 3/16/01

WE DO LIFT KITS

Rancho • Pro Comp • Sky Jacker (see store for details)
2259 West Highway 70 • 378-1708

Hours: 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday • 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturdays

SHOCKS BRAKES ALIGNMENT STRUTS WHEELS USED TIRES SHOCKS BRAKES ALIGNMENT



Are you interested in an Independent Assisted Living For Seniors?

A new facility is COMING to Ruidoso

You Are Invited

Community Meeting

When: March 12, 2001 - 5:00 pm

Where: Cree Meadows Country Club

What: Question & Answer Presentation

Yes! I would like to register my interest in this new facility.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Senior Care Clinic 505-630-5900
505-336-4248 or 1-800-541-5411

M
A
R
C
H
2
0
0
1

RUIDOSO COUNCIL

The Ruidoso village council Tuesday set a public hearing date for the planned annexation of 439 acres of municipal-owned land in the Eagle Creek area near Alto Lake.

The hearing is scheduled for the March 27 meeting of the council.

The property, along State Highway 48 and Ski Run Road, is adjacent to the village's northern limit. It includes property at the village's Eagle Creek Sports Complex.

In other activity:

Mayor Robert Donaldson presented former village resident Steve Roman with a proclamation applauding Roman for his years of service to Ruidoso. Roman had served on a number of village boards and committees, including a stint as the vice-chairman of the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Pointing to warming weather, the mayor reminded residents that Ruidoso is an odd-even community when it comes to outdoor watering. Watering is allowed on even numbered days at even numbered addresses and vice versa across the street.

"Why spend \$40,000 on a high-intensity water-use yard here when two out of five years may be dry?" Donaldson said.

Councilor Bob Sterchi added that the village's water conservation code also forbids watering between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Donaldson said the village was in the process of putting together a mailer on water conservation that would be sent in

the next month or so.

The council was told that all the required paperwork on the MainStreet Project expansion on Sudderth Drive had been filed.

Village Manager Alan Briley said hopes are to begin the sidewalk and aesthetics improvements in April and finish by July 4.

Briley said it could take 30 to 60 days to receive funding from the MainStreet Project.

"We'll start advertising for bids to get a head start," Briley said. "We can open bids. We just can't award a bid until we get the funds."

The mayor said that unlike the first phase of MainStreet in Midtown, the westward expansion along Sudderth Drive will see just two buildings abutting the sidewalk.

The council approved a grant agreement between the village and the state Department of Public Safety-Office of Emergency Management. The \$24,601 funding, which must be matched locally, would be used for emergency management activities.

Councilors awarded a bid to Sierra Blanca Motors Co. of Ruidoso for two or more 4x4 vehicles for the Ruidoso Police Department. The auto dealer, at \$23,724 per vehicle, was declared the lower of two bids received.

A bid was awarded to Sierra Blanca Motors, listed as the only bidder, for the purchase of a 1-ton van that will serve as a utility vehicle for the police department. The cost of the van is \$27,729.

Fire department to test hydrants

Testing of fire hydrants in Ruidoso are scheduled to take place this month and next.

Ruidoso Fire Department fire prevention officer Tina Ritter said the testing will

begin Monday on Mechem Drive. Ritter said while the test may cause an inconvenience for some residents or businesses, it is a necessary procedure.

Keithley's Korner
On my side? Don't pick Lobos over 'Survivor'

If KBIM-TV (Channel 10) is really, "on my side," then would someone explain to me why I had to wait out a dreadful New Mexico Lobos basketball game for two hours last night to see who was going to get kicked off this week's episode of "Survivor?"

That show has really got me hooked. I can identify with Roger and hope he wins.

He's a Kentucky farmer who means well, but isn't quite physically strong enough to compete with the other shirtless hunks on the island. He's the kind of guy who always got picked last in gym class.

I was so delighted to see that Kimmi got the boot last week. I'll bet Michael, the guy who slashed the wild pig in a previous episode, doesn't last through the winter. Hey, get into it. What is your family watching — snakes on cable?

Lincoln County Manager Tom Stewart's voice broke just a little bit when he recalled where he was and what he was doing ten years ago this week.

"We set out to take part in Desert Storm," the

retired colonel said. "I think back at that time with a great deal of pride for having served my country with so many other brave men and women."

As a lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Army, Stewart assumed command of the 1st Attack Battalion, 24th Aviation Regiment.

Equipped with the AH-64 Apache attack helicopter, the battalion saw action in the brief war inside Iraq and was awarded the Valorous Unit Citation for a devastating attack on a tank division in the final days of combat.

While we were all watching the scuds going off from our sofas on CNN, Col. Stewart was near the front line responsible for 19,000 officers worldwide.

He said he understands the public debate about whether our side should have continued until Saddam was driven from office, but believes that the correct decision was made at the time to negotiate an end to Operation Desert Storm.

"One of the lessons we learned from Vietnam was to have concrete objectives and stick to them," he said.

"When we started that conflict, Saddam was said to have the fifth-best army in the world; when we finished, he had the second-best army in Iraq."

Larry Ayers, who helps the daily tourists who venture into the Chamber of Commerce office, called his cousin in Seattle this week to see how he made it through the earthquake.

A road construction worker by trade, James Tomlinson was working downtown when the ground started shaking.

Minutes after the quake, Larry said that his cousin figured Seattle would need to build a new city.

However, Tomlinson told his cousin that extensive building codes has kept much of the damage to a minimum. He said the fact that no one died in the earthquake is a miracle.

The damage is still in the billions of dollars, which means plenty of work for Seattle construction workers.

Monkey bars or teeter-totters?

That could be part of the debate scheduled for 7

p.m. Monday at the convention center, when parents and children are invited to voice their opinion to city officials about a community playground to be built near the elementary school grounds this spring and summer.

"We want to find out what the community wants the park to look like," councilor Bill Chance said. "We could use a theme of dinosaurs or a spaceship or whatever the community wants. This meeting will give us an indication of how many people want to help us build the park with their ideas and support."

Chance said the village of Ruidoso has approximately \$150,000 set aside to build the playground.

A New York firm that helped construct a similar playground in Alamogordo will take the children's ideas into consideration and then create blue-prints for the eventual construction of the playground.

Telephone 257-5030 for more information.

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

Photographic Society off to Las Cruces, Mesilla Saturday

The Photographic Society of Lincoln County will take a field trip to the New Mexico Farm and Ranch Museum in Las Cruces and then to Mesilla for supper before returning home on Saturday.

Participants will depart from the old Wal-Mart parking lot in Ruidoso at 9:30 a.m.

People who need a ride or have space

for an extra passenger can call 258-4003 to coordinate.

The group will meet at the Farm and Ranch Museum at 1 p.m. for touring and photographing.

One way to get to the museum is to take the Baylor Canyon turn south just west of the community of Organ.

There is a sign for Baylor Canyon

Road, which also is known as CR C077. The road also leads to Dripping Springs Recreational Area.

It leads directly to the museum then on to Las Cruces, connecting to University Avenue.

Another way: Follow Hwy 70 to I-25 go south on Interstate 25 to University, then east about a mile to the museum.

PARTY 'N CRAFTS
2330 Sudderth Dr. in MIDTOWN
GOING OUT OF BUSINESS SALE
ALL INVENTORY & FIXTURES MUST GO!
All Sales Final!!
NO Checks. Cash or Credit Cards only.

HEY KIDS

Enter the poster contest & Win!!!!
Give us your ideas for the new playground!
Children 12 & under can enter.
Use your imagination and be as creative as possible.
Your Ideas or designs may be used in the design of the playground.

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY MARCH 21, 2001
Entries can be turned in to the schools or the Parks & Rec office.

PRIZES:
1st place: (1) individual Swim & Slide pass (\$80.00 value)
2nd place: (1) \$20.00 Gift Certificate from Michelena's

RULES:
Posters no larger than 11x17.
You must have the following information on the back.
School name or organization
Child's name
Address & phone number
Teacher's name if applicable



PARENTS

We are looking for dependable volunteers to help Make the Community Build play ground a success.

There will be a Community Meeting at the Convention Center on March 5, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome!

This will be the time to ask questions, put in your ideas or **VOLUNTEER.**

For more information call: 257-5030

YES, WE HAVE TICKETS!

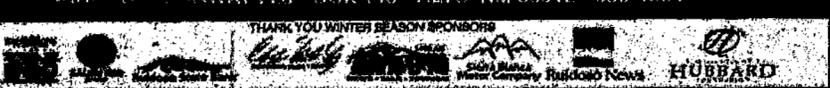
Jekyll & HYDE

8 PM Wednesday & Thursday
March 21 & 22 • \$35 & \$38

It's such a fine line between a good man, and a bad.



SPENCER THEATER
400 W. WYWAY 221 • BOX 110 • ALTO, NM 88312 • 336-3300

THANK YOU WINTER SEASON SPONSORS


Treated waste water gives village water credit benefit

Discharge to offset water drawn for municipal use

BY JAMES KALVELAGE
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The village of Ruidoso has received state approval to accumulate some water credits created through treated water discharges from the regional waste water treatment plant.

A permit approved by the New Mexico Office of the State Engineer Feb. 23 will allow the village to keep an accounting of the amount of water drawn from surface waters along Eagle Creek, and credit that amount to what can be diverted from surface and ground water in the Rio Ruidoso watershed.

The premise is the water from Eagle Creek, which includes Alto Lake, largely makes its way to the Rio Ruidoso after village water system use and treatment at the waste water treatment plant.

The treated water from the plant is discharged into the Rio Ruidoso.

In New Mexico, community water systems are required to hold water rights or water credits, or a combination of both, to draw water.

In the past the village had to use the water credits immediately. The new permit will allow the municipality to recover credits from the Rio Ruidoso and nearby wells over an extended period.

"This allows us to use these credits over a full year," Mayor Robert Donaldson told the village council Tuesday. "We can accrue the credits and take them when the water is coming down."

From May through October the permit requires credited water from the Rio Ruidoso basin only be taken when the river is flowing at more than 6 cubic feet per second. From November through April, the credits can be applied when the Rio Ruidoso has a flow in

"When we get a gully-washer we can open the valve and divert (Rio Ruidoso) water into Grindstone Lake. We have the right to take the water. There needed to be a way to get as much as we're entitled to when the flows are way up."

Alan Briley,
village manager

excess of 4 cubic feet per second.

"When we get a gully-washer we can open the valve and divert (Rio Ruidoso) water into Grindstone Lake," Alan Briley, village manager said. "We have the right to take the water. There needed to be a way to get as much as we're entitled to when the flows are way up."

A number of accounting mandates are included in the permit.

"We have to show all our water storage, treatment and more," Donaldson said. "There are a number of things we're already doing. Our water master plan shows all this."

In addition the permit requires the village to use the highest and best technology to ensure water conservation and to file a water use and conservation plan with the State Engineer.

"We have a conservation plan in ordinance already," Donaldson said. "We're so much farther along ... working on how water is going to be used."

The one-year effort to accrue water credits was a key component of Ruidoso's effort to assure adequate water over the long term.



At the 'state fair'

Two fourth-grade classes at White Mountain Elementary School put on a "States Fair" in the library for the other students in the school.

They researched 48 of the 50 states and created exhibits and presentations.

The children drew the name of a state out of a hat, explained teacher Evelyn Genta, then used 10-12 sources to build a presentation on their states, including writing letters to state chambers of commerce, using the Internet and checking out books from the library.

On Thursday, the rest of the school's students walked through the fair and voted for the presentations they liked best by putting beans in cups in front of the exhibits. Genta said the students began working on the projects before Christmas and a lot of the work was done at home with families.

Rachel Levinson found North Dakota interesting because of the International Peace Garden on the border of Canada, a mile-long flower garden. She said she'd like to live there because North Dakota has "very



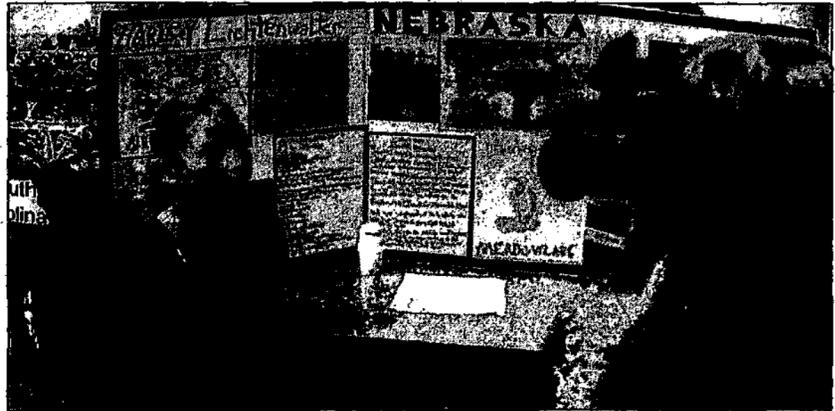
long winters and short summers, and I love the snow."

Chris Waites became an expert on Alaska, but he said he wouldn't like to live there "because it's cold over there."

Adrian Gandara told about a petting zoo in New Hampshire, where visitors can pet different kinds of deer, and Elliott Sainz said Rhode Island would fit into Lincoln County and the state dog is a Boston terrier.

Jake Ordorica is shown above with his Minnesota display. His sister helped him make the display from clay, then they painted the pieces. Left, Principal Frank Cannella questioned Schuyler Talsma on his knowledge of Michigan, and found out that "Michigan makes half the nation's milk." Schuyler's grandfather grows soybeans and corn near Kalamazoo. At right, Harley Lichtenwelder displays her knowledge of Nebraska while instructional assistant Jeri Sparks videotapes her. All the presentations of Genta's and Terry Flores' classes were videotaped.

Sandy Suggitt/Ruidoso News



www.ruidosonews.com

Village Hall 258-4343 • Planning & Zoning 258-4343 • Fire 257-4116 • Police 258-7366

The Village of Ruidoso... working for YOU

Did You Know...

Coming soon, convenient credit card payment options for your utility bills, court citations or convention center fees. Payments can be made quickly by using either toll free phone number or the Internet, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. More information will be in this ad as it becomes available.

Friends of the Library Annual Meeting will be held at the Library, Monday, March 5, at 6:00 p.m. Social and refreshments will follow the business meeting. The public is invited to join the Friends for an evening of information and enjoyment.

Volunteer to help with the Community Built Playground Project. The first meeting is Monday, March 5 at 7:00 p.m. at the Convention Center. For more information contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 257-5030.

The Village's ISO rating is 6 which is very good for a mountain community. This rating is used by insurance companies and regulates property insurance. So in an effort to maintain this rating the Fire Department will be testing the 647 plus fire hydrants located in the Village beginning in the next week. The schedule posted in the Ruidoso News for location and date of the testing.

The Ruidoso Senior Center is again providing free tax assistance through the Area Free Tax Assistance Program, a RSVP volunteer station. Last year the program assisted 694 taxpayers. With tax refund savings of filing fees, and tax preparers services this benefitted the area citizens \$60,500. Services are scheduled on Thursdays and Fridays from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. until April.

Fire Danger - Low Water Conservation - Phase 1

313 Cree Meadows Drive 258-4343 Toll Free 877-700-4343 email vou@ruidoso.net

Emergency 911 • Convention Center 258-5445 • Library 258-3704 • Parks & Recreation 257-5030

Water Maintenance 257-2386 • Utility Billing 258-4343 • Airport 358-5111

Victory Conference

with conference host
Rev. Brenda Dorman
"Seven Ducks In A Muddy River"

Saturday, March 3rd
7:00 p.m.
Ruidoso Senior Center
501 Sudderth

For More Information Call 258-1492
Pastor Steve or Judy Kreins of Crosspoint Christian Fellowship
(Free Admission)

SECURITY FINANCE

Your Friend When You Need \$\$\$

LOANS

\$100 - \$500

- No Credit - No Problem
- Phone Applications Welcome

257-4000
1400 Sudderth
Mon. - Fri. 9 - 5

Lending Hands Foundation supports the Children's Miracle Network.

RUIDOSO READY LABOR

TEMPORARY SERVICES

- Temporary workers AVAILABLE NOW; 24 hours a day, seven days a week.
- Clerical, Housekeeping, Food Service, Construction, Homeowner Services
- RISK FREE 1 Hour Guarantee, you pay only for the hours worked (4 hr. min.)

Call Today!
257-7876
www.ruidosolabor.com

We care for people ... not just eyes.

Dr. Engstrom has advanced training and education in the latest techniques and treatment of disease and surgery of the eye.

- No Stitch Cataract Surgery
- Eye Muscle Surgery
- Eye Lid Repair & Cosmetics
- Laser Surgery
- Pediatric Ophthalmology
- Emergency Eye Care

Lessons begin association with
Dr. Randall Cox
605 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso, NM
Call for appointment • 257-5512

THE MEXICAN (R)

*1:45 4:30 7:00 *9:20

SNATCH (R)

*2:00 5:00 7:15 *9:30

HANNIBAL (R)

4:00 *9:00

SAVE THE LAST DANCE (PG-13)

*1:30 6:45

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY ONLY
SUPER SAVER MOVIES
SHOWING 3 2 THRU 3 8

257-9444

M
A
R

0
2
2
0
0
1

Dallas firm chosen to build new school

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Considered one of the top priorities for the Mescalero Apache Tribe for the past decade, construction of a \$29 million school complex is set to begin within 30 days now that a lead contractor is on the job.

Heavy machinery spent the past two months clearing the site after a groundbreaking ceremony in December.

Tuesday, Robert C. Van Cleave, president and chief executive officer of Centex Construction Company, announced the Dallas, Texas-based firm was picked for the design-build team on the kindergarten through 12th grade complex.

Another spokesman for the company said subcontractors for the project will come from Albuquerque, El Paso, Ruidoso, Alamogordo and Las Cruces.

The Orlando, Fla. office of Schenkel Scultz provided the architectural design as Centex's design-build partner.

The project includes a 217,000-square-foot educational facility for 1,600 students on the Mescalero reservation. The campus is designed around a central courtyard and will include a media center, gymnasium and auditorium. Outside, playing fields, courts, a track and playground equipment are incorporated into the design.

The elementary school components will be situated at one end of the central courtyard with the middle school/high school at the other to provide grade-level separation.

Classrooms are designed in a modular fashion and educa-

tion wings will use a "neighborhood" concept.

Each hallway or floor can be used as an educational neighborhood where all core curriculum classes for a grade level are taught. This approach offers the benefit of promoting interdisciplinary instruction, also known as "team teaching."

Instead of waiting for the tribe's turn for federal money to build the school — something that could have taken several more years — Mescalero President Sara Misquez struck a bonding arrangement, pledging some tribal revenues for repayment, according to U.S. Sen. Pete Domenici, a Republican from New Mexico who last year praised her ingenuity.

"We are excited about this opportunity to serve a new client, while expanding our portfolio in the education and design-build markets," said Bill Stinson, senior vice president of the education division of Centex Construction Company and project leader.

A 65-year-old commercial construction company, Centex is a division of Centex Construction Group, a subsidiary of the Dallas-based Centex Corporation.

According to information provided by the company, Centex is listed by *Engineering News-Record* magazine for the fifth consecutive year among the nation's top five contractors and ranked No. 1 for the second year in domestic general building revenue.

Centex was ranked No. 1 for the second consecutive year on *Fortune* magazine's list of "America's Most Admired Companies" in the engineering and construction category.

MAGISTRATE COURT

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

Joshua Faust, 19, Ruidoso, pleaded guilty to charges of first offense driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs and speeding 55 mph in a 40 zone. Faust was sentenced to 90 days probation and required to pay \$463 in fines and court costs.

Oliver B. Garms, Jr., 26, Tularosa, was found guilty of first offense DWI-aggravated and driving after dark without

required lights. Garms was sentenced to two days in jail with credit for one day already served at the Ruidoso Police Department, put on 178 days probation and assessed \$538 in fines and fees.

Christopher Rodriguez, 35, Old Mesilla, pleaded guilty to charges of first offense DWI-aggravated, driving with a suspended license and speeding 47 mph in a 40 zone. Rodriguez was sentenced to two days in jail with credit for two days served at the Ruidoso Police Department, placed on probation for 452 days and assessed fines and court costs totaling

\$777.

Jorge M. Valdez, 36, Vequita, N.M., pleaded guilty to second offense DWI-aggravated and having an open container of an alcoholic beverage in a motor vehicle. Valdez was sentenced to seven days at the Lincoln County Detention Center, put on probation for 357 days, charged \$763 in fines and fees and required to serve 48 hours of community service.

Billi Jo Whitlock, 24, Ruidoso Downs, was convicted of petty misdemeanor battery against a household member. Whitlock was credited for one

day spent at the Ruidoso Police Department lock-up, placed on probation for 181 days, required to pay \$51 in court fees and ordered to have no contact with the victim in the case.

In Ruidoso Municipal Court during February, with Judge Michael Line presiding -

Christopher M. Oldham, 27, Dallas, Texas, was convicted of DWI. Oldham was fined \$460.

Penn A. Peck, 40, Aledo, Texas, was convicted of DWI. Peck was fined \$460.

Villages brace for impact of lost sales tax revenue

Pending legislation could cut into local finances

While Ruidoso has its hand out to state lawmakers for funding of a new fire station officials are concerned about legislation that could cut into municipal revenues.

"There is a lot of legislation that seeks gross receipts tax deductions," Robert Donaldson, Ruidoso mayor said.

The measures call for the elimination of gross receipts, or sales tax, on services, from child day care to doctors, and certain products. One bill would end the sales tax on food.

"They wanted to remind us that this would take care of their state surplus," Donaldson said was the word from some legislators. "But this impacts municipalities too."

Part of sales tax collections are returned to local governments. Donaldson said if just doctor services were exempt from sales tax, Ruidoso would lose about \$190,000 annually.

"We would need other taxes to offset that," the mayor said. "We are looking carefully at the loss of revenues that could come."

He surmised the elimination of the sales tax on food would be devastating to municipalities.

"If you want to cut taxes, fine," Donaldson said he wrote in a letter to lawmakers. "Cut your taxes. You've got to look at both sides of the equation."

Village Manager Alan Briley agreed that Ruidoso would have to find a way to make up revenues if some products or services were exempted from GRT.

"It makes them look good and we look bad," Briley said of the sales tax reducing measures.

Meanwhile the village of Ruidoso is seeking \$450,000 for construction of a new fire station and to add an office to an existing fire barn from the legislative session.

The new station is proposed to be located near Schoolhouse Park along Sudderth Drive.

Donaldson, who noted he visited with lawmakers at Santa Fe in mid February, said the funding request was well received. He estimated that the monies could come from several sources.

Other Lincoln County communities are also looking for capital outlay dollars from the state.

In Capitan, the municipality is asking for \$300,000 for chip sealing arterial roads.

At Carrizozo, the wish list adds up to \$955,000 in state funded capital improvements. Improvements to the community's wastewater treatment plant would take \$350,000.

A like amount is being requested for Carrizozo street upgrades. Another \$265,000 would bring renovations to the municipal building.

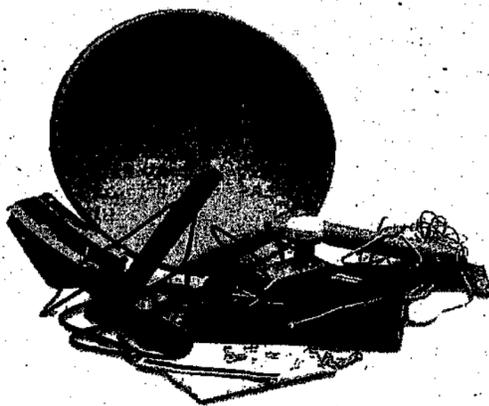
Corona is seeking \$150,000 for improvements, including engineering services, purchase and installation of a water storage tank.

All the Lincoln County municipal requests were submitted by state Sen. Pete Campos, D-Las Vegas.

"If you want to cut taxes, fine. Cut your taxes. You've got to look at both sides of the equation."

Robert Donaldson,
Ruidoso mayor

THE LONG.



LOOK HOW COMPLICATED A DISH CAN BE.

TO BEGIN GETTING SATELLITE PROGRAMS YOU MAY HAVE TO:

- Shop for the right satellite system.
- Pay for the dish and receiver.
- Carry the equipment home.
- Arrange for installation.
- Wait for installation.
- Or, elect to install it yourself.

TO ENJOY PROGRAMS ON EVERY TV, YOU HAVE TO:

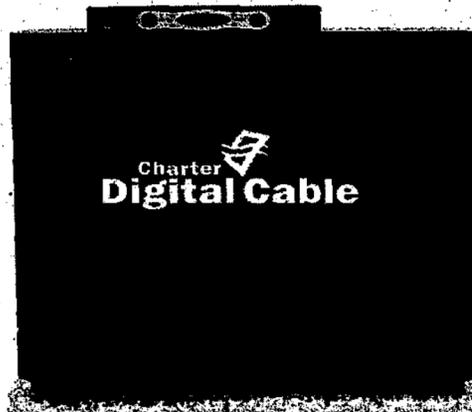
- Pay extra to get programming on more than one TV in your house.
- Purchase equipment for each additional TV.
- Pay additional mirror fees per TV at up to \$4.99 per month.
- Arrange for installation.
- Pay for installation.

TO WATCH YOUR LOCAL STATIONS:

- All local stations ARE NOT AVAILABLE.
- Pay up to \$5.99 per month for some local stations.
- Pay for an antenna.
- Install outside antenna or rabbit ears yourself.
- Pay to install the antenna.



AND THE SHORT OF IT.



LOOK HOW EASY IT IS WITH CHARTER DIGITAL CABLE.

At Charter Communications, we make it simple. ONE CALL AND YOU GET IT ALL!

- Hundreds of movies every month.
- Multiple premium channels.
- Tons of pay-per-view movies and events.
- Commercial-free digital music channels.
- Professional local service and installation.
- 30-day money back guarantee.
- All your local channels at no extra cost.

It's better TV. You'll see!™

Special Limited Time Offer. Get hundreds of channels, including multiple channels of HBO, Showtime, Cinemax and The Movie Channel.

INSTALLATION ONLY **\$995***

CALL TOLL-FREE (877) 588-7015

to order Charter Digital MVP Package today! Offer Expires March 31, 2001

Charter Digital Cable

www.chartercom.com

* Offer valid for new or current customers in wired service areas. 60-month sales agreement required. Agreement automatically terminates if customer moves out of covered service area. Some services mentioned may not be available in all Charter service areas. Digital receiver required to receive Charter Digital service. Offer valid for one TV. State restrictions apply. Initial sales agreement required with alternate that buy back offer. Satellite service (not included) based on non-transferable channel lineup. Includes Total Choice, HD, 24/7, Cinemax and The Movie Channel, Family Pack \$5, Sports Pack \$10, Local Program channels available \$5.99. Prices available subject to change without notice. ©2001 Charter Communications, Inc.

Welcome to the Wired World™

CALL US
Sports editor Wes Schwengels
Phone: (505) 257-4001

Ski report

Sid Apache
Road at Report Time: Mostly clear
Midway Depth: 69 in
Surface Conditions: Powder and packed powder
Skiing Conditions: Excellent
Trails Open: 55/55 100 percent Open
Lifts Open: 11/11 100 percent Open
Trails Groomed This Morning: 20/55
Snowmaking Past 24 Hours: No
Forecast: Partly cloudy
Additional Info: Texas State Ski Championship next weekend. Pre-register online at www.sidapache.com or at Farley's Friday, March 2, 6-8 p.m.

Preps on tap

Tonight
Boys basketball — Class AAA Regional Playoffs
Ruidoso vs. Crownpoint, 7 p.m. @ Lea County Event Center in Hobbs
St. Michael vs. Bernalillo, 7:30 p.m. @ Espanola Valley High School
Grants vs. Pojoaque, 7:30 p.m. @ Los Lunas High School
Shiprock vs. Portales, 7:30 p.m. @ Rio Rancho High School

On Deck

Basketball tournament
The fifth annual March Madness men's 6-foot and under plus one basketball tournament will run March 9-11 in Mesalera. The entry fee is \$175, with a \$100 non-refundable deposit due by March 2. The first 16 teams with a deposit will play. Trophies and prizes will be given to the first-through fourth-place teams, as well as for most valuable player, all-tournament players (two per team), most 3-pointers, best free throw shooter, most points and sportsmanship. For more information, call Abraham or Gina Chivo at (505) 257-7497.

Softball tournament
Sportsworld 1-pitch softball tournament, for men's and co-ed class C and D teams, is set for Saturday, March 10. Registration is \$75 per tournament. The deadline to register and team meetings are March 7, at 7 p.m. For more information, call Jorge Mijares at (915) 857-7676 or e-mail to sportsparkeps@aol.com.

Senior Olympics
The 2001 Lincoln County Senior Olympics schedule of events follows:
Billiards (8 ball pool) — 10 a.m. March 6, Capitan Senior Center
Bowling — 3:30 p.m. March 27, 1:30 p.m. March 28-29, Ruidoso Bowling Center, 1:30 p.m. March 24 and 29, Carrizozo Recreation Center. Singles, doubles, mixed doubles and team
Golf — 1 p.m., March 31, The Links at Sierra Blanca
Horseshoes — 10:30 a.m., March 16, Carrizozo Country Club
Recreational events — 9 a.m. March 24, Ruidoso High School gym (Frisbee, soccer kick, basketball free throw)
Shuffleboard — 1:30 p.m. March 14, Ruidoso Senior Center
Table tennis — 10:30 a.m. March 20, Ruidoso Senior Center
Tennis — 9 a.m. March 21, Ruidoso city courts, Schoolhouse Park
Track and field — 10 a.m. March 24, Ruidoso High School (discus throw, javelin throw, softball distance throw, high jump, long jump, standing long jump, shotput, racewalking, 800-meter estimated time run/walk, and 100-, 200-, 400-, 800-, 1,500 and 5K runs)
For more information, call Bart Young at 257-3193.

Socorro duathlon
The city of Socorro and the Socorro Riders and Riders athletic club will host the M Mountain Duathlon 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 proper division. The top three finishers in other categories will receive customized medals. The entry fee is \$30. Relay teams are \$40. For more information, visit the duathlon Web page at <http://www.wsdco.org/~sr/mduadu>, e-mail to mdu@pnc-inc.com or call Matt Perini at (505) 838-1610.

Pecos Valley Stompede
The 20th annual Pecos Valley Stompede, a half-marathon run, 10K run, 2 mile run and 2 mile walk will be March 24 at Cahoon Park. The half-marathon will start at 8 a.m. with the remaining races starting at 9 a.m. The entry fee is \$20 before March 13 and \$25 thereafter. Participants will receive sweat pants and a T-shirt, and will be eligible for post-race door prizes. Awards will be given for the top male and female finisher in each event, with medals to the top three male and female finishers in each age division. For more information, call Clyde or Michael McKee at (505) 622-1668 or Bob Edwards at (505) 627-5507.

Little League registration
Registration for the upcoming Little League baseball season will be Saturday, March 3 from 10 a.m. to noon at Nob Hill School, 2-4 at Captain School Cafeteria, Tuesday, March 6 from 5-7 p.m. at Nob Hill School, and Thursday, March 8 from 5-7 p.m. at Captain School. For more information please call Matt at 258-2109 or Angela at 354-2887.

Basketball tournament
North American Youth Sports will host openings in its annual spring youth basketball tournament April 6-8 at Del Norte High School in Albuquerque. The tournament will feature 10 different brackets including 10th-grade boys/girls, 11th-grade boys/girls, 12th-grade boys/girls and 11-12th grade boys/girls. All grades are currently enrolled. The entry fee is \$90 and guarantees each team a minimum of five games. Awards will be presented in each bracket. The entry deadline is March 16. For more information or an entry form, call Mark Garrison at (800) 787-3265 or tournament director Mike Heston at 884-2686.

Warriors attempt to advance tonight

BY WES SCHWENGELS
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

While the Ruidoso High School boys basketball team's performance in the district 4AAA tournament was amazing, three Warriors were individually recognized for their outstanding play over the course of the season.



Solomon Barnett



J.R. Floyd



Sean Sebastian

Seniors
Sean Sebastian, Solomon Barnett and J.R. Floyd were named to the 12-man 4AAA All-District team after the Warriors (20-4, 7-1) dispatched Portales 62-45 to take the district title.

And while head coach Billy Page was more than proud of these three, he said he felt let down for other reasons. "The way we played in district this season, I'm a little disappointed that we didn't have a couple more named to the team," Page said.

Seniors Todd Schrader and Nathan Stanaland were named as honorable mentions for Ruidoso, but Page said both could have easily made the All-District team.

Barnett led the Warriors in scoring this year, averaging 17.1 points per game. He said that while he got the award last year also, it felt better this time since it is his senior season. After graduation, Barnett will head to Princeton University on a track scholarship. He may try to walk onto the basketball team.

Floyd is also a two-time All-District player and called the award "pretty thrilling." After averaging 12 points per game, he is off to West Texas A&M for college.

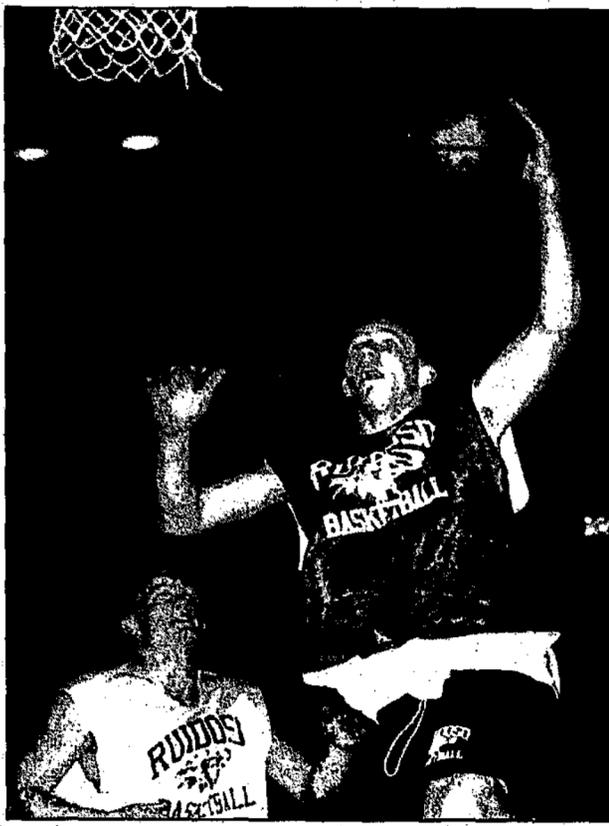
Sebastian said he wasn't expecting the award and also felt the Warriors' starting posts should have been named All-District. He averaged about four points per game on top of his tenacious defense, and said he will focus on academics at the university he chooses.

The leadership of these three, as well as the other six seniors on the squad will be missed next season. This team does know how to adjust though.

"Last year, we had Mike Blank," said senior post Will Anderson. "He was the enforcer, the guy that could carry us. This year we're playing more as a team."

And while that team play has carried the Warriors to Regionals and a game against Crownpoint at 7 p.m. Friday, they know they still have a job to do.

"Crownpoint is a tough team," said Sebastian. "It's going to be a tough game. (The state title) is up for grabs; there are a lot of teams playing good right now."



All-District Warrior J.R. Floyd goes up for a shot during a practice Wednesday. Floyd and teammates Sean Sebastian and Solomon Barnett (not pictured) were named to the 4AAA All-District team for their play this season. Nathan Stanaland and Todd Schrader made the honorable mention list also.

"We've got a real good chance (at winning State), but we haven't even looked past Crownpoint yet."

Billy Page,
Ruidoso boys basketball coach

To take the title, Ruidoso will first have to get past the Eagles, a team that showcases a quick, high-octane offense.

Should they manage that, the Warriors will have two games against the toughest teams the state has to offer standing between them and the class AAA championship. Of course, Page knows his team will have to take one step at a time.

"We've got a real good chance (at winning State)," he said, "but we haven't even looked past Crownpoint yet."

Ruidoso cheerleaders bring spirit, athleticism and intelligence to state cheer competition

BY TODD BUTTS
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

This dedicated group of Ruidoso Warrior high school cheerleaders deserves to be recognized for all the hard work and effort they put in to support their local athletic programs. They will take part in state competition in Albuquerque March 30-31.

On Friday the cheerleaders perform an all-cheer routine that must be two and a half minutes long. Friday night, in the stunting division, five girls will compete. They each do one minute of stunting, competing with 4A, 5A and the co-ed division. Saturday the cheerleaders will be doing a three-minute routine to decide who is the state champion in Division 3A.

They have been working hard since June 1, beginning with five weeks of two-a-days over the summer. Aug. 1, they went to a cheerleading camp at New Mexico State University and that was just the

start of the hard work and dedication these young ladies have put in for their school teams.

Not only do they go to every athletic event including district football, volleyball, boys and girls basketball, and wrestling matches, the cheerleaders also take the time to decorate the lockers for the players and to make sure each player has a snack bag before each competition. They also raise money to do this for the athletes by holding fund raisers.

The first competition they attended was regional competition in November in Albu-

querque. The meet helped this young group gain valuable experience for future competitions.

The squad consists of one senior, two juniors and the rest sophomores and freshmen.

Persistence and hard work are not the only assets this group of girls maintains. With all they have to do, they still manage to carry a collective grade-point average of 3.8, including one girl with a 4.4.

"This year we hope to place top three in the state," said coach Rebecca Durham. "Next year, win state and go to nationals."

Along with Durham, Gayla Stanland and Mandi Sodd also bring a lot of experience to the table as assistant coaches. The two put a lot of their time and effort into coaching to make this squad of 13 their best.

On top of schoolwork, and cheering at the athletic events, she cheerleaders practice a minimum of two and a half hours a day.



The Ruidoso High School Cheerleading squad practices a routine Thursday in preparation for the state competition March 30-31. The squad boasts a 3.8 collective G.P.A.

On the slopes



Peter Zagone (above) starts his run for the Ruidoso ski team at a Junior Olympic qualifying meet last month. He will compete in the J4 Chevy Trucks Junior Olympics in Steamboat Springs, Colo. March 21-24.

Skiers head to Junior Olympics

BY LAURA DOTH
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

The Ruidoso Ski Team cinched three berths at the Rocky Mountain/Central Division Junior Olympics during the recent J3 and J4 Qualifying meets held at Steamboat Springs and Crested Butte, Colo.

Aaron Goeller, Rett Smith and Peter Zagone, all returning Junior Olympians, will represent Ruidoso and New Mexico at the Chevy Truck Junior Olympics in the next few weeks.

Junior skiers and snowboarders, ages 11-19, are revving up for the annual U.S. Ski and Snowboard Association's (USSA) Chevy Truck Junior Olympic series. Administered by USSA, the series has become an annual rite of passage for juniors who love snow and are serious about fine-tuning their competitive skills.

Conceived as part of USSA's development program for its national alpine team, the Junior Olympic series expanded in 2000 to also include the rapidly growing sports of cross country, freestyle, jumping, nordic combined and snowboarding.

"With the 2002 Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City, Chevy Trucks is committed more than ever to helping support the athletes of the United States as they pursue their dreams of athletic excellence," said Chevy Truck National Advertising and Sales Promotion Director Mac Whisner. "It is our hope that all young American ski and snowboard racers will advance one step closer to the ultimate goal: to be the best in the world."

USSA National Competition Services Director Walt Evans likened the Chevy Truck Junior Olympic program to a major springboard for competitive skiers.

"Many of our current and past U.S. Team members, such as AJ Kitt, Bode Miller, Alison Powers, Eric Schroy and Picabo Street, have come through this program," said Evans.

Junior athletes qualify for the Chevy Truck series through Eastern, Rocky/Central and Western Region events. Junior Olympic age groups are defined by levels 1 (17-19), 2 (15-16), 3 (13-14) and 4 (11-12).

Qualifying three skiers is an impressive achievement for Ruidoso and Ski Apache, where the athletes train.

"Our skiers were so awesome at the qualifying meets," said Ruidoso coach, Hubert Seigmann. "They really pushed it hard. The other, larger ski teams were really impressed with our performance."

Ruidoso's Aaron Goeller was the area's first Junior Olympic Qualifier. At Steamboat Springs on February 17, 88 skiers competed for the coveted spots at the Junior Olympics.

Aaron Goeller claimed the prize with two top 10 finishes in the Giant Slalom. His times of 46.92 and 49.24 were good enough for eighth place finishes in both the morning and afternoon runs.

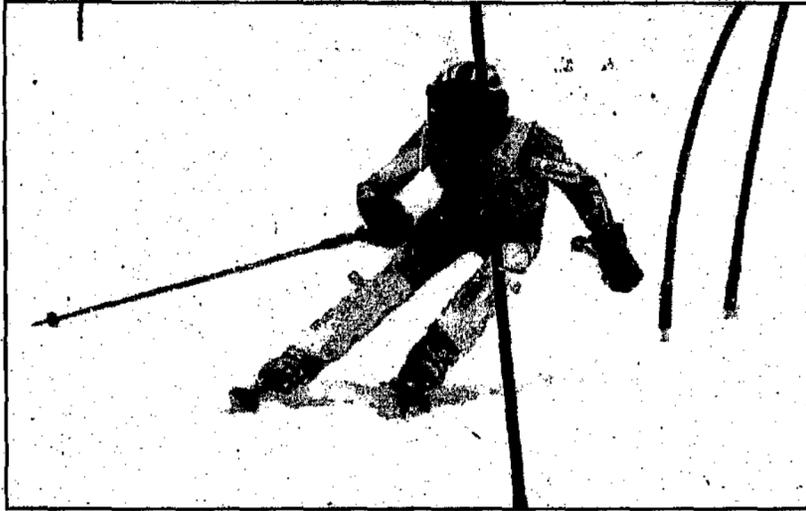
Teammate Michael Ginnings finished 49th and 51st for the day. Josh Lynch placed 54th in the morning run but ran into difficulties in the afternoon run and did not finish. Stefan Seigmann had consistent runs during the day, finishing 57th and 59th.

Eric Vaughn fell during his morning run, but came back to finish 63rd in the afternoon. Travis Ingals finished the course in 60th and 65th place.

See SKI TEAM, page 2B

M
A
R
2
0
0
1

| DATE | OPPONENT | TIME |
|---------|-------------------------------|---------|
| 3/3 | Alamo Heights @ Alamo Heights | 7:30 am |
| 3/10 | Chaparral @ Chaparral | 7:30 am |
| 3/23-24 | Goldendrive @ Goldendrive | 7:30 am |
| 3/29 | @ NMML | 7:30 am |
| 3/31 | vs. Cedarvale | 7:30 am |
| 4/7 | NMML Tourney @ Roswell | 7:30 am |
| 4/10 | vs. Portales | 7:30 am |
| 4/12 | @ So. Texas | 7:30 am |
| 4/17 | @ Lovington | 7:30 am |
| 4/18 | vs. So. Texas | 7:30 am |
| 4/27 | @ Lovington/Turner | 7:30 am |
| 4/28 | @ Aransas | 7:30 am |
| 5/4-5 | District @ Roswell NMML | TBA |
| 5/10-12 | State | TBA |



Ruidoso ski team member Ratt Smith flies down the course at a recent Junior Olympic qualifying meet. Smith picked up a silver and a bronze medal at the meets and made the cut for the J4 Chevy Truck Junior Olympics, March 21-24, in Steamboat Springs, Colo.

SKI TEAM: Smith takes two medals; team gets 3 berths at Junior Olympic qualifying run

Continued from page 1B

On Sunday, Feb. 18, the J3 boys raced in the Slalom competition. Goeller again led the charge with two 16th place finishes. Ginnings finished 48th and 47th for the day. Josh Lynch finished 64th in the morning but pushed ahead to a 55th place finish in the afternoon.

Seigmann also improved during the afternoon run, moving up to 83rd following his 66th place morning run. Ingels finished 72nd in the morning but missed a gate in the afternoon run. Vaughn

turning, then there was a long, flat part. It was a really long course, and the bottom face was choppy and very fast. It was a hard course and my skis were flopping, but the whole run felt really good."

On Saturday, Feb. 24, Smith hit it hard again, posting two top 10 performances in the Giant Slalom with a seventh place finish in the morning run and a fourth place finish in the afternoon run.

Zagone followed in 33rd and a 37th place. Lynch had clean runs finishing 95th and 107th. Jasinsky fell in the morning run but followed with a 112th place finish in the afternoon.

Day three brought another podium finish for Ruidoso skier, Smith. His solid time of 42.67 guaranteed him a bronze medal in Sunday's morning Slalom race. Zagone tied for 24th place with a time of 46.92. Lynch and Jasinsky started to climb in the standings finishing 88th and 94th.

In the afternoon, Smith relaxed a little finishing sixth. Teammates Lynch and Jasinsky turned on the speed in the afternoon logging their best finishes of the competition. Lynch finished 72nd and Jasinsky finished 79th.

"We are going to see some great competition at the Junior Olympics," said Coach Seigmann, but he's confident about his skiers abilities. "I'm looking for a podium finish."

Goeller will be competing at the J3 Chevy Truck Junior Olympics to be held at Winter Park, Colo. from March 12-17. Smith and Zagone will attempt to bring home medals from Steamboat Springs, Colo. during the J4 Chevy Truck Junior Olympics, March 21-24.

Tennis teen McDougal picks up experience in USTA Tourney

BY WES SCHWENGELS
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Ruidoso Middle School student Heather McDougal matched up against some of the toughest junior girls tennis competition in the nation when she competed at a United States Tennis Association championship.

McDougal, 13, was invited to play in the USTA National Boys' and Girls' 14-and-under Division Tennis Championships in El Paso, Texas, where she tasted both success and defeat.

McDougal lost her first-round singles match in two sets to Julianne Burgarello of Reno, Nev., ranked 29th nationally in 2000. The score was 6-2, 6-1.

The consolation bracket matched McDougal up against Daniella Stevenson of El Paso. McDougal played superbly and soundly defeated her opponent in two sets,

6-3, 6-2. She then lost to Greer Saterlie of Denver in straight sets, 6-1, 6-0.

In the tournament's doubles bracket, McDougal teamed with Amy Bedel of Dallas. The pair gave it their all, but lost in straight sets to 5th-seeded Kristine McVitty of Woodland Hills, Calif., and Elyse Steines of Pittsburgh, 6-1, 6-0.

McDougal also recently took part in the Price's Creamery Sun City Junior Open, where she teamed with Nicole LaFerriere of Las Cruces in doubles action. They easily defeated Christina Minihan and Lindsay Stuart, both of Albuquerque, 8-2. The pair then lost to eventual finalists Tasha Nathanson and Ashley Bonner, both of Los Alamos, 8-4.

Next up for McDougal is the All About Tennis Sweet 16 Junior Tournament, March 9-11 in Mesa, Ariz.

| RUIDOSO SKI TEAM JUNIOR OLYMPIC QUALIFYING RESULTS FROM COMPETITIONS HELD FEB. 17-25, 2001 | |
|--|---|
| 3. Qualifier Results - Steamboat Springs, Colo. | Josh Lynch 72nd 1:35.63 Dylan Jasinsky 77th 1:47.26 |
| February 17, 2001 - Men's Slalom - Morning Run | Ratt Smith 7th 1:14.68 Peter Zagone 33rd 1:19.50 Dylan Jasinsky 79th 1:27.30 Eric Vaughn DNF |
| February 17, 2001 - Men's Slalom - Afternoon Run | Ratt Smith 4th 1:02.10 Dylan Jasinsky 74th 1:02.10 Eric Vaughn DNF |
| February 18, 2001 - Men's Slalom - Morning Run | Ratt Smith 3rd 1:02.10 Dylan Jasinsky 74th 1:02.10 Eric Vaughn DNF |
| February 18, 2001 - Men's Slalom - Afternoon Run | Ratt Smith 3rd 1:02.10 Dylan Jasinsky 74th 1:02.10 Eric Vaughn DNF |
| February 23, 2001 - Men's Super G | Ratt Smith 2nd 1:20.10 Peter Zagone 19th 1:24.85 |

"It was a hard course and my skis were flopping, but the whole run felt really good."

Ratt Smith,
Ruidoso ski team member, on his silver-medal winning run

the Prater J4 Qualifier, in Crested Butte. During the qualifier, 140 boys competed for the 47 Junior Olympic berths.

Smith set the tone for the rest of the Ruidoso team, starting the competition with a spectacular second place finish in the Super G. His time of 1:20.10 was just a fraction off the gold medal time of 1:20.00. Teammate Zagone finished 19th with a time of 1:24.85. Joe Lynch and Dylan Jasinsky finished in the middle of the pack, placing 73rd and 77th.

When asked about his silver medal run, Smith said, "It was fun. The top was really

"Guess where I found my new apartment?"

the
RUIDOSO NEWS
C 071 257 1001
www.ruidosonews.com

Your Best Bet!

GET INTO THE OLD WEST WITH LINCOLN COUNTY & WESTERN HISTORIAN DREW GOMBER

Receive Your **FREE** Book When You Subscribe to the **Ruidoso News!**

You must purchase a one year subscription to receive a copy of Past Tense: American Souls. Pick up your copy at the Ruidoso News. Offer good for NEW subscriber only. Must mention ad when ordering.

While Supplies Last

Historical Society plans spring, summer events

The Lincoln County Historical Society lined up several programs for the spring and summer.

Program director Lynda Sanchez urged members and prospective members who would like to sample some of the group's activities to contact her or the society to sign up for the programs.

Following is a sampling:

• From 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., April 7, Ann Buffington will open her personal portfolio to offer glimpses of the women of the county accompanied by a quilt exhibit at the Old San Juan Church in Lincoln. The event is cosponsored by the Lincoln State Monument.

• A field trip is set for April 28 to the Flying H Ranch, the old Tunstall Ranch of Lincoln County War fame.

The new owners of the ranch will conduct the tour with historian Bob Hart, curator of history at the New Mexico Farm and Ranch Museum in Las Cruces.

Reservations and a nonrefundable fee of \$16 per person will be charged, but includes lunch. At this time, sign up on the waiting list.

• A historic photography workshop is set for May 12 at the old courthouse in Lincoln.

Bob McCubbin, publisher of "True West" magazine and a collector of outlaw-lawmen photographs, will be one of the instructors.

He will bring items from his collection.

Staff and experts from the Rio Grande Collections of New Mexico State University also will be on hand. The event is cosponsored by Lincoln State Monument.

Reservations and a nonrefundable fee of \$30 will be charged (\$40 for non-members). Lunch is included.

• A chautauqua presentation called "Kit Carson's Southern New Mexico Connection," featuring Bill Thorpe and Scott Wells is scheduled for 7 p.m., June 16 at the Hubbard Museum of the American West in Ruidoso Downs. Refreshments will be served.

• An old fashioned barn dance and historical vignette of the Spencer Ranch is set for 7 p.m. to midnight, Aug. 11, at the Spencer Ranch north of Carrizozo.

Refreshments will be served.

• Moving into fall, a field trip on the archaeology and ethnobotany of the Rio Bonito is planned for Sept. 22. Visitors will see petroglyphs, Mogollon sites and other cultural material sites on the Rio Bonito in Lincoln valley. A demonstration also will be given on how to use the atlatl, a spear-throwing device.

Reservations and a nonrefundable fee of \$10 per person is required and a waiting list already is forming. Bring a picnic lunch.

• The annual society meeting and potluck lunch combined with an adobe earthen architectural program "From New Mexico to Timbuktu" are set for 12:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. Oct. 20 at the Carrizozo Woman's Club. The event is cosponsored by New Mexico State Monuments. Homemade food and desserts will be served.

Society memberships are \$20 for an individual or family, \$10 for students under 18 and \$150 for a life membership.

The society's address is P.O. Box 579, Carrizozo, NM 88301. Sanchez can be reached at (505) 653-4821

Emergency plan group gets off to a new start

The Lincoln County Local Emergency Planning Committee, a federally required group that seldom met last year, re-established itself last month.

"We're recovering LEPC," said Thomas Chavez, Ruidoso's municipal emergency manager and now chairman of the committee. "It was kind of in limbo for a while," he said at the Feb. 21 session of the committee.

The panel approved a set of bylaws that includes holding a meeting at least once each month.

Before the Jan. 10 meeting the last meeting was on Aug. 12, 2000. Meetings are expected to take place the third Wednesday of each month.

Don Armstrong, a state liaison with LEPCs across southern New Mexico, has told the committee they need to build membership. He has suggested fire, police,

schools, health care professionals and business owners be brought into the meetings. Armstrong also said to resume federal funding, four LEPC regular meetings must be scheduled. The local committee lost funding for fiscal year 2001 because of a lack of meetings. Funding for fiscal year 2002 will be granted in October.

The funding could bring \$15,000 annually that the committee can use for mitigating emergency or disaster situations.

Chavez, Armstrong and Nevada Linford, with the Rio Hondo Chapter of the American Red Cross are currently serving as committee officials until a chairman, vice-chairman and secretary are elected.

"We will continue to build it to get compliance," Chavez said. "We want to get citizens more involved to make the community a safer community to live in."

MEETING WATCH

Capitan Municipal Schools Board of Education, 6 p.m., Thursday, March 8, Administration Building.

Actions:
• Construction update, change orders
• Reschedule May school board meeting

• Approval of bills paid and payable
• Approval of budget transfers and budget increase
• Approval of financial reports for athletics, cafeteria, activity

• Board reorganization option
• Business items:
• Superintendent search update
• Budget input
• Enrollment update
• Board policy, first readings of Sections III, V, VII, IX, X, XII, XIII, XIV, XV, XVII

• Student Senate
• Personnel

• CACT
• ACT
• Public comment
• Informational

• March 12-16 Spring break
• March 26-28 Spring Budget Workshop

• March 29, National Honor Society induction
• March 30 deadline for superintendent applications

***It's my only day to sleep in!
*I have to work on Sundays!
*I always fall asleep during the singing!**

Three reasons not to go to church?

These are 3 reasons to try the alternative style worship service Saturday, 6:30 p.m., at Angus Church of the Nazarene.

Angus Church is located between Ruidoso and Capitan at the Bonita Park Conference Center.



HOME AGAIN

616 Suddorth • Ruidoso, New Mexico

Ruidoso's Only Antiques & Collectibles Mall

25+ Dealers
4,000+ Sq. ft.

Thousands of Treasures at Affordable Prices

ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES MALL



It's A **KEG** O' **FUN**

The **Screaming Eagle Lounge** featuring the **Talisman Band** Wednesday - Saturday

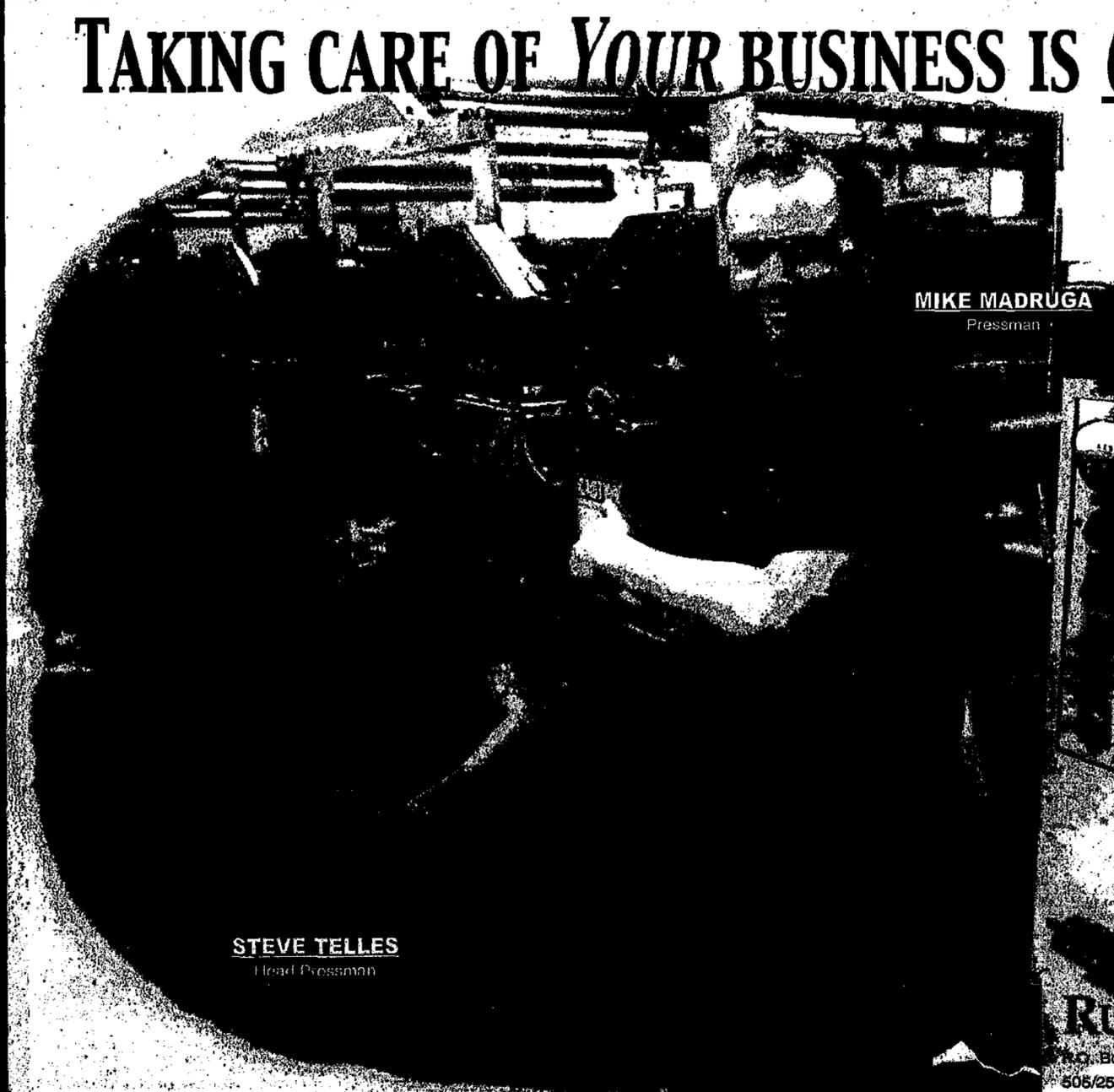
Wear Green on March 17th and receive a discount from 7:30pm to Close! It's Our way of saying Happy St. Patrick's Day to all our Local Patrons.

Appetizer Menu from Cattleman's Steakhouse Available in the Lounge

307 Hwy 70 W • Ruidoso, NM • 378-4051



TAKING CARE OF YOUR BUSINESS IS OUR BUSINESS



MIKE MADRUGA
Pressman

STEVE TELLES
Head Pressman

We've been taking care of your business for years with top qualified pressmen like Steve, Mike and Leon. They know how to print a quality product that satisfies Lincoln County readers.

**Ruidoso News.....
Your Best Bet!**

RUIDOSO NEWS

P.O. Box 128 • 104 PARK AVE. • RUIDOSO, NEW MEXICO 88355
505/257-4001 • FAX 505/257-7053 • www.ruidosonews.com

M
A
R
2
0
0
1

RUIDOSO NEWS CLASSIFIEDS

4B FRIDAY, MARCH 2, 2001

RUIDOSO NEWS

| | | | |
|--|---|---|--|
| Mail To: Ruidoso News Classifieds P.O. Box 128, Ruidoso, NM 88345 | By Phone: (w/Visa or MasterCard) 505-257-4001 | By Fax: (w/Visa or MasterCard) 505-257-7053 | Walk In: (9am-5pm Mon-Fri) 104 Park Ave., Ruidoso, NM |
| Customer Information: We cannot process your ad without this: PHONE NUMBER: _____ NAME: _____ ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____ | Ad Copy: (1) _____ _____ _____ (20) _____ _____ _____ | Classification: # of Issues: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> WEDNESDAY <input type="checkbox"/> FRIDAYS <input type="checkbox"/> WEDNESDAYS & FRIDAYS Date to start: _____ | |
| PRICE PER ISSUE: CLASSIFIED LINE ADS: \$6.12 for first 20 words, \$.38 for each additional word (plus 7.1875% sales tax) Consecutive run discounts available, call for Classified Display rates: 257-4001. | | | |
| PAYMENT <input type="checkbox"/> CHECK/MONEY ORDER TYPE <input type="checkbox"/> CREDIT CARD CARD#: _____ EXP. DATE: _____ SIGNATURE: _____ | | | |
| DEADLINES FOR CLASSIFIED ADS: LINE ADS: 5PM MONDAY FOR WEDNESDAY, 5PM WEDNESDAY FOR FRIDAY LEGAL ADS: 4PM FRIDAY FOR WEDNESDAY, 4PM TUESDAY FOR FRIDAY. | | | |

| CLASSIFICATIONS | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 010. Real Estate | 260. Farm Equipment |
| 020. Real Estate Trades | 270. Feed & Grains |
| 030. Land for Sale | 280. Produce & Plants |
| 040. Houses for Sale | 290. Pets & Supplies |
| 050. Condos for Sale | 300. Yard Sales |
| 060. Mobile Homes for Sale | 310. Household Goods |
| 070. Houses for Rent | 320. Musical Instruments |
| 080. Apartments for Rent | 330. Antiques |
| 090. Mobiles for Rent | 340. Arts |
| 100. Condos for Rent | 350. Sporting Goods |
| 110. Cabins/Vac. Rentals | 360. Miscellaneous |
| 120. Mobile Spaces for Rent | 370. Wanted to Buy |
| 130. Room for Rent | 380. Help Wanted |
| 140. Want to Rent | 390. Work Wanted |
| 150. Storage Space for Rent | 400. Services |
| 160. Pasture for Rent | 410. House Sitting |
| 170. Business Rentals | 420. Child Care |
| 180. Business Opportunities | 430. Child Care Wanted |
| 190. Autos for Sale | 440. Firewood for Sale |
| 200. Trucks & 4x4's for Sale | 450. Auctions |
| 210. Vans for Sale | 460. Lost & Found |
| 220. Motorcycles for Sale | 470. Thank You |
| 230. Auto Parts | 480. Announcements |
| 240. RV's and Travel Trailers | 490. Personals |
| 250. Livestock & Horses | 500. Construction |

CORRECTION POLICY: Check your ad promptly for accuracy. Claims for errors must be received by The Ruidoso News within 24 hours of the first publication date. Cancellation Policy: No cash refunds or charge card credit. The Ruidoso News reserves the right to edit, categorize or refuse classified ads due to inappropriate content, space considerations, etc.

010 REAL ESTATE
100 year old Adobe in White Oaks on 25 acres. Spring, fenced, orchard, raised bed garden next to National Forest. \$125,000
3 bedroom, 2 bath, on 25 acres in White Oaks. Wide, expansive views of Patos Mountain. Fenced, good well, garden, shop and carport. \$85,000
Tierra Verde Properties, (505) 648-2326

010 REAL ESTATE
John J. Kirchhoff
REAL ESTATE BROKER
2203 Edgemoor Dr. 217 Grove
Plataview, TX Ruidoso, NM
79072 88345
(806) 293-7542 (505) 257-4648
Residence: (806) 296-6707
RANCH LISITINGS WANTED!

010 REAL ESTATE
BRAND NEW RV PARK. US highway 70 frontage, located on 100% usable land, 16 spaces with full hook ups, 2 tent spaces, underground utilities, office building with restrooms, showers and game room. Price reduced \$235,000 Bill Pippin Real Estate 257-4228
BUYING ON A BUDGET? Older 3 bedroom, 1.75 bath home on beautiful corner lot. Completely fenced, fruit trees, level access, stone fireplace and priced to sell. \$49,500 Bill Pippin Real Estate 257-4228

010 REAL ESTATE
COLORADO MOUNTAIN Property Liquidation Sale. 36 acres \$49,000. Owner must sell this heavily wooded parcel nestled in Rocky Mountains wildlife galore. Ready to build, year round driveway, phone/electric, survey. Great financing. Don't miss out, call toll-free 1-877-678-6387.
DOUBLE WIDE LOTS. Owner will finance with closing cost down. Fully developed subdivision with all underground utilities. Water, sewer, electric, telephone available. Call for info. Owner/Agent Bill Pippin Real Estate 257-4228

010 REAL ESTATE
BEEN TURNED DOWN FOR A HOME LOAN?
COME TO PRINCIPAL MORTGAGE AND SEE TABBY CUMMINGS AT 1082 MECHEM OR CALL 258-2370
WE CAN HELP PUT YOU IN THE HOME OF YOUR DREAMS.

010 REAL ESTATE
SAWMILL \$3,795. NEW Lumbermate 2000. Large capacities, more options. Manufacturer of sawmill's edges and skidders. Norwood Sawmills, 252 Sonwill Drive, Buffalo, NY 14225. 1-800-578-1383 ext. 300-N
TRADE 2000 WINNEBAGO motor home Slideout Model, for small cabin or condo in the \$70,000-\$80,000 range. (840) 383-9811
UPPER CANYON. Wonderful wooded setting with lots of mountain flavor. Listen to the river from your front deck. 2BD/1BA weekendender, recently remodeled and in immaculate condition. \$105,000 Bill Pippin Real Estate 257-4228

030 LAND FOR SALE
142 acres near Carrizozo with Highway 380 frontage. 3 wells. All fenced.
60 acres near Carrizozo. Fenced. \$80,000
Tierra Verde Properties P.O. Box 637 Carrizozo, NM 88301 (505) 648-2326

030 LAND FOR SALE
GREAT BUY ON 6-1/2 acres, desirable Eagle Creek, beautiful building site. 505 258-2660 Casa Terra Realty
040 HOUSES FOR SALE
3 BD/2.5BA, office, library, hot tub room, located on 3 golf course lots. By owner. \$235,000. 257-7473 or 257-6306
3BD/2BA TRIPLE WIDE modular, 2,200 sq.ft., 4/10 acre, 125k, assumable, 258-2602 or 505-527-1162.
3BD/2BA WITH Game room. Recently remodeled inside. Level lot, carport & fenced backyard. Possible owner financing. \$105,000 630-9404

010 REAL ESTATE
2.4 ACRES WITH SOME views of Sierra Blanca. Located in White Mountain Estates. Gary Lynch Realty 257-4011

010 REAL ESTATE
5 ACRE COTTAGE RESORT-for sale by owner \$1.5 million, 4.3xgross, 13 cabins with large comfortable home, Upper Canyon. Call 257-2557.

010 REAL ESTATE
CANCELED SUBDIVISION- Repossession liquidation! Builder default: 12 brand new, affordable preinsulated home packages. Lifetime warranty. First rate quality. Your land/floor plan. Local references. 1-800-874-6032. Sacrifice-Assume Balance.

010 REAL ESTATE
FOR SALE BY OWNER, DCR Resort Timeshare, prime time- red week-two bedroom Elite unit, sleeps six-maintenance fee paid for 2001-two weeks vacation available now to buyer. \$3000. Call 378-4028.

010 REAL ESTATE
PUBLISHER'S NOTICE: All real estate advertising in this newspaper is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act of 1968 which makes it illegal to advertise, "any preference, limitation or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, or national origin; or any intention to make any such preference, limitation or discrimination." This newspaper will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. Our readers are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised in this newspaper are available on an equal opportunity basis. To complain of discrimination, call HUD toll free 1-800-424-9590

010 REAL ESTATE
LAND DEVELOPING, roads built, septic systems, excavating, leveling, gravel hauling, electric & plumbing utilities installed - Tractor works LLC 354-7000. 430-5557

030 LAND FOR SALE
CAPITAN, 2.8 AND 4 ACRE lots. All set-up for RV's, single water or doublewides. City water. 354-7000 or 430-5557

010 REAL ESTATE
EXCELLENT COMMERCIAL or residential, choose 5 or 10 acres. Airport road (estate highway 220) 505 258-2550 Casa Terra Realty.

010 REAL ESTATE
JOSEPH A. ZAGONE
Quality Service Producer
CENTURION
#1 IN SALES (UNITS)
Real Estate for the Real World™
Aspen Real Estate
1-800-658-2773
(HM) 336-1095
Call 420-3807
Lifetime Area Resident • 22 Years RUIDOSO Area Real Estate Experience
GREAT BUYS

010 REAL ESTATE
INCREDIBLE SIERRA BLANCA VIEW
4 Br, 2 Ba, A-Frame on large lot in premier location in White Mt Estates. New roof & new carpet \$229,500. #94898
Call Joseph A. Zagone at 420-3807

010 REAL ESTATE
4 LOTS+
Home on top of the mountain, yet good access. Tall pines, all level, nice views, quiet seclusion. 3/2 with big decks on 1+ acre, refrigerated air, good storage & large fenced area. \$169,500. #94597
Call Joseph A. Zagone at 420-3807

010 REAL ESTATE
GREAT ACCESS...
3 Br, 2 Ba on nice wooded lot 4 year old double wide. Easy access, carport, 5x15 storage building, great in town location close to shopping. \$95,000. #94282
Call Joseph A. Zagone at 420-3807

010 REAL ESTATE
BEAUTIFULLY REMODELED
Custom oak cabinets, Pergo floor, refrigerated air, 7x21 storage/shed, water softener & RO unit, 2 Br, 2 Ba in Airport West. \$72,500. #94548
Call Joseph A. Zagone at 420-3807

030 LAND FOR SALE
2 + 11 ACRE TRACTS, OLD farm land, fronting the Rio Bonito River, just East of Lincoln. Double wides okay. 354-7000 or 430-5557

010 REAL ESTATE
7 ACRES WITH VIEWS OF Capitan Mountains. Excellent building site with southern exposure. Electric at area but horses allowed. Call Wayland @ Re/Max 258-5833

010 REAL ESTATE
WONDERFUL RIVER LOCATION!
Remodeled 3 bedroom, 1 3/4 bath home with fireplace, dining area, living room, breakfast bar, storage building, 2-car carport. Enjoy the soothing river from the covered deck! Easy year round access. \$149,900.
Gary M. Lynch, Broker, CRS, GRI; Res: 336-4282
Cindy K. Lynch, Associate Broker, GRI; Res: 336-4282
Lynne Meadows, Associate Broker; Res: 338-4617
Darlene Hart, Associate Broker, GRI; Res: 258-5848
Jerry Burchett, Associate; Res: 505-893-4380
To view additional listings, visit our Web site.

010 REAL ESTATE
NEW ONE LEVEL HOME SITUATED ON 4+ ACRES. The land has a seasonal creek, rail fence, wood siding, upgrades throughout, open living, and close to town. #94399 - \$316,000.
UNIQUE HILLSIDE LOG HOME. Impressive canadian red cedar. Adobe & spanish touches. Lots of class, top of the line extras to fit in here. #94717 - \$350,000.
ELEGANT & LUXURIOUS. Passive solar adobe in Lincoln Historic District. Sr. water rights, big views, brick floors on 11.58 acres. #94706 \$550,000.
UNBELIEVABLE S.E. VIEWS! Luxurious home. Extremely attractive and well kept on one of a kind lot. 1st class, furnished. #94710 \$550,000.

GARY LYNCH REALTY
RESTAURANT/LOUNGE OR MANY OTHER USES! Prime commercial building could be used for a number of things, including restaurant/lounge, office or retail. A myriad of opportunities. Owner will sell, trade, or lease. Owner financing possible.
ALTO VILLAGE. CHECK OUT THIS PRICE! 3 bedroom, 2 bath home with open living room and dining area. Real rock fireplace. Spacious deck. Easy access and all on one level, located on a flat lot. Full Alto Golf Membership. Only \$175,000.
VIEWS AND TREES. Acreage tracks north of Alto Village. Good tree cover and views. Would make an ideal 2nd home location or a possible primary home. Terms available and priced right.
"Making New Friends While Keeping the Old"

GARY LYNCH REALTY
616 Mechem Ruidoso, NM 88345
garylynchrealty.com 257-4011
WONDERFUL RIVER LOCATION!
Remodeled 3 bedroom, 1 3/4 bath home with fireplace, dining area, living room, breakfast bar, storage building, 2-car carport. Enjoy the soothing river from the covered deck! Easy year round access. \$149,900.
Gary M. Lynch, Broker, CRS, GRI; Res: 336-4282
Cindy K. Lynch, Associate Broker, GRI; Res: 336-4282
Lynne Meadows, Associate Broker; Res: 338-4617
Darlene Hart, Associate Broker, GRI; Res: 258-5848
Jerry Burchett, Associate; Res: 505-893-4380
To view additional listings, visit our Web site.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO SELL YOUR PROPERTY?
Gregg Perleat, Associate Broker and Jennifer Clark, Licensed Assistant are looking for houses with land, acreage and horse properties. We have many out-of-town buyers just waiting for that right property to buy; we'd like to sell them yours!
HERE ARE SOME OF OUR LISTINGS
Own a Ranch Where Legend Says John Wayne slept! 60 acres w/22+ acres of water rights, 4400 S.F. true adobe plus several outbuildings including original Honda Valley stagecoach stop plus too many other features to list - \$900,000
Great Mountain Style Home in Little Creek Hills - on 3 acres with Sierra Blanca views. 3/2 1/2 plus 2 'bonus' rooms. Horses allowed - \$259,000.
Own 626 acres of ranch land in Lincoln Co. for only \$86,000.
Lot in Ruidoso on Virginia Canyon \$13,500
Great Ranches of Sonterra lots, something for everyone.
Gregg Perleat, Associate Broker Ruidoso Properties, Inc. (505) 430-4946 or (505) 257-4075

COLDWELL BANKER
SDC, Realtors (505) 257-5111
307 Mechem (800) 826-9213
Ruidoso, NM 88345 Alto: (505) 336-8489
Alto: (888) 355-8489
coldwell@lookingglass.net

"EXPECT THE BEST"

OPEN, LIGHT, AIRY & LEVEL ACCESS. With convenient location, what more can you ask for? 3 bd., 2 bth. Call Carolyn for info. #94887 \$89,777.
GAZE AT THE PINEY HORIZON AFAR. Bright chalet, high ceiling, fireplace. Refrigerated air. 4th bd. or bonus rm. Decks. #94453 \$129,500.
FABULOUS ALTO VILLAGE TOWNHOUSE. Full golf membership. Loft bedroom, warm & cozy fireplace, 3 bd., 2 bath, garage. Owner motivated. #94505 \$249,000.
SPACIOUS & ELEGANT! Classy home with full "golf" membership. Great views! Light, updated, open kitchen w/security system. #94693 \$315,000.

Bill Pippin REAL ESTATE
1-800-489-9289

RARE FIND! 68 acres with river frontage, water rights, adjoining National Forest, cuts 1 bedroom apartment, tack room, feed room, 2 stalls with self watering and more. Large hay storage area, corrals, divided into five pastures.
WIDE, OPEN SPACES with great potential and a variety of land uses. 161 acres with water rights, completely fenced and well improved with older mobile home, barn, pipe corrals, five wells, irrigation system and outbuildings. Perfect location for the horseman or pleasure/peccan farmer. \$210,000.
BONITO LAKE AREA. Great get-a-way for hiking, horseback riding, fishing or just taking baby. 3 Bedroom, 1 bath, 14' x 60' living room add-on with fireplace. \$37,500.
ALTO FULL GOLF MEMBERSHIP! Choice building site, community water available, zoned for duplex with highway 48 frontage. \$29,950.
63 ACRES HONDO VALLEY. Very well maintained, 3/2 older home, bath, poolhouse, commercial building with US Highway 70 frontage, 75 trees, orchard with water rights. Commercial building presently used as a cafe, but rural zoning allows lots of possibilities. \$349,000.00.
OWNER WILL FINANCE 162 ACRES. Just south of Tularosa, New Mexico located off U.S. Highway 70 & 64, unsected, lots of possibilities. Priced at \$1,000 an acre!
DOUBLE WIDE LOTS. Owner will finance with closing cost down. Fully developed subdivision with all underground utilities. Community water, sewer, electric, telephone available. Fifteen lots to choose from, call for more info. Owner/Agent.

OWNER RELOCATING MUST SACRIFICE! Quiet country living on 78+ acres, beautiful, brand new, 4 bedroom, 3 bath, 2100 sq. ft. manufactured home, out buildings, well, windmill, fenced and cross fenced, partially wooded, good views, forest close by for horse back riding. \$199,000.00.

SECLUDED WEEKENDER. Centrally located for shopping or skiing, 2 bedroom, 1.75 bath w/R.V. pad and hook-up, surrounded by tall pines with wonderful Ruidoso atmosphere. \$69,500.00.
REMODELED WITH EXTRAS. Owner will finance this remodeled older home with lots of the owner's unique personal touches, 2 bedroom, 1.75 baths, large family room, comfy living area with fireplace located on two lots. \$110,000.00.

040 HOUSES FOR SALE
4BD/1BA, 1,300 + SQ. FT. nice starter home or rental. Horse possible, priced low for quick sale. \$87,500 by appointment only, owner. 378-5612 \$20,000 off for cash

All American Moving
 Local & Worldwide Moving
 378-8218

BY OWNER: NICE 2,073 sq. ft. 3BD/2BA. Country kitchen, fireplace, decks, great semi-private Ruidoso location. \$165,000 257-2045

FOR SALE BY OWNER
 Great location, 314 Swallow. New custom built, 2bd/2ba, fireplace, laundry, pantry, all appliances, large covered deck, finished garage. For appointment to see this special home call 1-800-773-3266

FOR SALE OR TRADE. Furnished house, wonderful covered deck with hot tub, great Ruidoso location. \$69,500 owner 258-3767 or 622-7138

GETTING DIVORCED ALTO home w/full golf. 4/3 appraised @ \$297,000. Will take much less; make offer. 338-4959, flor3@aol.com

LARGE 4BD/3BA HOME, exceptional. 258-1600 or 378-8310

040 HOUSES FOR SALE
NEW HOME FOR SALE by Chasé The Sun Construction. N.M. license 051835. 3/2/2, fireplace, wooded lot, decks, 1680 sq ft. \$149,000. 109 Vall Loop, Little Creek. Alto. 336-7407/420-5918

OUTSTANDING VIEWS - Room for a couple of horses. Beautiful 1,780 sq. ft. - two story 3BD/2-1/2BA. Some owner financing available. After 5:30 pm 378-1758

SIT ON THE COVERED deck relax 210 Hidalgo, MLS#R94634. Cuts 2BD/1BA, newer kitchen. Rental or second home - \$75,000 owner agent - Gerda White, Ruidoso Realty Group 630-3100 or 420-2663

Vintage home in Carrizozo.
 Fully remodeled, Adobe guesthouse/studio garage and shop on large lot. Efficient hot water base board heating. \$62,000
 Tierra Verde Properties P.O. Box 637 Carrizozo, NM 88301 (505) 648-2326

FULLY FURNISHED, 3BD/2BA home with fireplace, decks, views, all underground utilities on 3 lots with Little Creek frontage in beautiful Rancho Ruidoso Valley Estates. \$117,500 Call 512-266-3570 for appointment.

050 CONDOS FOR SALE
2BD/1.5BA, FURNISHED, like new, view of 6 holes Links golf course and Sierra Blanca. By owner after 6:00 pm (915) 821-2669

060 MANUFACTURED HOMES FOR SALE
12X50 OLDER MOBILE Home, livable 2BD/1BA but at \$4.16 a sq. ft. It's a cheap storage building. Must be moved. 378-5612

\$269 PER MONTH O.A.C.
 3 bedroom, 2 bath doublewide, delivered and set-up.
 1-800-530-8577 D00646

\$699 DOWN, \$199/MONTH on new HUD certified homes. Call the MAN. 1-888-957-3697 D00956

BEAUTIFUL AREA, MOBILE home and big lot. With two additional bedrooms. \$85,000 111 Queen Air 420-0511

BEAUTIFUL MOBILE HOME with big lot in corner on Riverline. \$58,000 Ruidoso Downs 420-0511

FIRST TIME HOME BUYERS. Help is available through our government programs. Call 1-800-391-3679 d0858

FOR SALE BEST OFFER: New 16 X 80, Book value \$42,463. Offers start at \$28,250. Call 1-888-784-5780 for details

HAVE YOU BEEN TURNED down, let us show you how to get approved. Get \$000 shopping spree, 0 closing, 0 down, land home package with new Double wide \$399 mo. 1-800-796-6372/888-661-3242

Hi, I'M CHUCK. I HAVE new, used, reup mobile homes. Give me the chance to earn your business. Call collect 332-8117 Let's talk.

NEW, USED & REPO'S from \$199 per month. Call Chuck 332-8117 Let's talk.

060 MANUFACTURED HOMES FOR SALE
MUST SEE, WALK TO LAKE 14x76 Windsor, Extra nice. 21.5. Landscaped, street to street lot, horse corral \$89,500 8x12 Storage 257-6146

NEED HELP BUYING? I will match your down payment up to \$3,000!!! Call the banker. 1-888-957-3696

NEW UPGRADED manufactured home. On creek, treed lot on cul-de-sac. Open, bright & airy, pellet stove, water softener, porcelain sinks, tape & textured, bullnose corners. \$99,500 Devin Marshall 94489 Century 21 Aspen Real Estate 257-8057

TRAILER HOME, TWO River area. 116 Robin Street Space #2 2BD, good shape. 420-0511

070 HOUSES FOR RENT
2BD/2BA, LIVING ROOM, dining area, kitchen, fenced yard, nice. Also 1bd, living room, kitchen, bath, carport, deck, fenced yard. 915-949-5463.

2BD/2BA UNFURNISHED, appliances only, garage. \$750 + utilities. Available now. Call Casas de Ruidoso Toll Free 888-257-7577 or local 257-7577

3BD/1-3/4 BA, DOUBLE carport, fireplace, paved level street. \$750/month \$300 deposit 258-4545

3BD/2BA - RANCHO Ruidoso Monthly rental \$725 per month. Toll free 1-888-497-6847

3BD/2BA, UNFURNISHED, 2400 sq. ft. Country Estate in Loma Grande on 6 acres. \$1,500/mo. plus utilities. Call Casas de Ruidoso, Inc. toll free 1-888-257-7577 or local 257-7577.

ALTO - FURNISHED 4BD/3BA, 2 car garage, very nice. Need references, minimum 1 year lease. (817) 430-8821

070 HOUSES FOR RENT
BEAUTIFUL HOME FOR Lease/Sale. 2,100 sq. ft., 3BD, 2.5BA, large kitchen, game room, stone fireplace, RV carport, large backyard, easy access, great neighborhood. Will consider lease/purchase. \$1,400/month 258-2668

RUIDOSO PROPERTIES 257-4075 257-9603 FULL SERVICE PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

Champions Run Condo
 2 bed/2 bath
 \$825/month
 \$600/deposit
 6 month to year lease

CHARMING 1BD HOUSE near Lincoln. \$400/month, no pets. Call 653-4260

CUTE, FULLY FURNISHED 2BD/2BA home for short or long term lease. Sleeps 6 with fireplace, deck & Mountain views. Call 630-2221 for details.

FOR RENT OR SALE 3BD/2ba, 1780 sq.ft., Rancho Ruidoso, new appliances, partially furnished, new deck, no pets, deposit and lease, \$650/mo. 368-1534 or 430-8908.

HOUSES & APARTMENTS SOME ARE ALL bills paid. Call 258-2212

LARGE 2/2 ON SUDDETH. Store front with parking plus attached house. Run your business and live on property too. 2,600 sq. ft. total. \$1,350/month 257-5518 257-0372

NEAR FURR'S/MECHEM, 3 BD/2-1/2BA, fireplace, washer/dryer, fenced yard, carport, storage shed. Pet okay with deposit. \$675/month. 258-5958

NICE AND BIG, 2BD/1BA Duplex with office, wood floors, dishwasher, washer/dryer connections, front porch, yard and storage. 1/2 block from school in Capitán. \$465. 6 months, \$450 1 yr. References and deposit. Paula 338-1145

SMALL 2BD/1BA HOUSE. Available 3-1-01. No pets. Call 257-6217

070 HOUSES FOR RENT
ONE BEDROOM CABIN \$295.00, 2 bedroom mobile \$350.00, 3 bedroom mobile \$395.00, \$200.00 deposit, NO Pets, 420-1818, 258-4080, 420-9700-T

RENT TO OWN 3 bedrooms, 2 baths 1-800-242-0363 Ext. 3054 24 hour recorded message

SUPER CLEAN, QUIET, large 1BD duplex - Fireplace, washer/dryer hookups. Great location. Available 3/01/01. \$525/month \$300 deposit 1-888-556-1349.

UNFURNISHED 3BD/2BA home. Wooded interior, wood stove, natural gas. No pets! Jo Steele Agency 336-4700

UPPER CANYON, Small 2BD/1BA, unfurnished, \$480/month + utilities. Deposit required. Near the River, great location. References required. (915) 594-3810

080 APARTMENTS FOR RENT
LAS CASITAS DE ROSA excellent location. 2 bedrooms upstairs; 1.25 bathrooms; and w/d hookups. \$525 plus utilities. Call 505-258-9202.

APARTMENTS ON NOB HILL
 All new Santa Fe Style 4-Plexes
 Move in Specials
 257-2511

1BD APARTMENT, Available in Capitán. \$290/mo plus deposit. Water, trash and sewer paid. 354-0023 or 354-2711

1BD APARTMENT, RIVER view, \$450/month, all bills paid including cable. No pets, deposit required. Sam 257-3759

CIMARRON CONDOS, \$325/mo. plus deposit. 378-5280.

2BD FURNISHED, \$350, air conditioning, water paid. Ruidoso Downs 378-1287

2BD/2BA, 14x76; 2bd/1ba, 12x55; HUD welcome, on river near "Y", water furnished, easy access. 378-7099 or 1-915-526-8326.

3BD/2BA, MOBILE HOME. Partially furnished at Gavilán Hwy. 48 on Timber Lane. 336-4580

REAL NICE ONE BEDROOM. Furnished, washer/dryer, large yard. Cable, water, sewer, and garbage paid. \$550 plus deposit. Call (505)257-9879

SMALL 1BD TRAILER OFF Carrizozo Canyon Road. \$200/monthly. RV spaces \$150/monthly 257-5388

UPPER CANYON, 2 LARGE bedrooms, completely furnished, W/D, fireplace. Call 257-7543

090 MOBILES FOR RENT
2BD FURNISHED, \$350, air conditioning, water paid. Ruidoso Downs 378-1287

2BD/2BA, 14x76; 2bd/1ba, 12x55; HUD welcome, on river near "Y", water furnished, easy access. 378-7099 or 1-915-526-8326.

3BD/2BA, MOBILE HOME. Partially furnished at Gavilán Hwy. 48 on Timber Lane. 336-4580

REAL NICE ONE BEDROOM. Furnished, washer/dryer, large yard. Cable, water, sewer, and garbage paid. \$550 plus deposit. Call (505)257-9879

SMALL 1BD TRAILER OFF Carrizozo Canyon Road. \$200/monthly. RV spaces \$150/monthly 257-5388

UPPER CANYON, 2 LARGE bedrooms, completely furnished, W/D, fireplace. Call 257-7543

080 APARTMENTS FOR RENT
1BD/1BA, fireplace, washer/dryer, appliances. \$375/mo. plus utilities. Small ranch in Lincoln, will trade part of rent for caretaking. 505-663-4041. References/1yr. lease required.

3BD, UTILITIES PAID, appliances furnished. \$575/month deposit. No pets. Call 258-4500 ext. 101 or 257-2121 days or 430-8502

APARTMENT & UTILITIES in exchange for loving help for small animals. In Rent. May include minor maintenance. Call 671-0525 or 671-0526

APARTMENT FOR RENT 2BD, unfurnished, all utilities paid, no pets, non-smoking, across from hospital. Available March 1st. \$600/mo + \$200 cleaning deposit 257-5699

COZY, FURNISHED efficiency, good location, all utilities paid including cable, & phone hook-up. \$350, \$275 deposit 257-8782

DUPLEX APARTMENT ON Cree Meadows. 2BD/1BA, laundry facilities, gas, heat and hot water. Playground, pets okay upon approval. Call 257-2042

FREE 1/2 MONTHS RENT or 1/2 utilities with 6 months rental. 2bd unfurnished \$500 per month with fireplace \$500 505-443-9565 call collect

MODERN, CLEAN NEWLY painted, one bedroom apartment. Lots of closets and storage. Covered parking, great neighbors. \$425 plus electric only. Lease and deposit. (505)521-4057

NICEST TWO BEDROOM, one bath apartment in town. Cathedral ceilings, washer/dryer, dishwasher, refrigerator, stove included. Gas heat/hot water. LOW UTILITIES. 915-757-8043 for details.

UPPER CANYON, 2 LARGE bedrooms, completely furnished, W/D, fireplace. Call 257-7543

090 MOBILES FOR RENT
2BD FURNISHED, \$350, air conditioning, water paid. Ruidoso Downs 378-1287

2BD/2BA, 14x76; 2bd/1ba, 12x55; HUD welcome, on river near "Y", water furnished, easy access. 378-7099 or 1-915-526-8326.

3BD/2BA, MOBILE HOME. Partially furnished at Gavilán Hwy. 48 on Timber Lane. 336-4580

REAL NICE ONE BEDROOM. Furnished, washer/dryer, large yard. Cable, water, sewer, and garbage paid. \$550 plus deposit. Call (505)257-9879

SMALL 1BD TRAILER OFF Carrizozo Canyon Road. \$200/monthly. RV spaces \$150/monthly 257-5388

UPPER CANYON, 2 LARGE bedrooms, completely furnished, W/D, fireplace. Call 257-7543

100 CONDOS FOR RENT
2BD/2BA CONDO, \$650/MO. Call Filter & Associates at 378-8191.

070 HOUSES FOR RENT
3 bdrm, 2 1/2 bath, furnished condo. \$700/mo plus utilities.

3 bdrm, 2 bath, 2 car garage, large flat lot with easy access. unfurnished house. Great Sierra Blanca and Golf Course views. \$1300.00/mo plus utilities.

RV Space available. \$135.00/mo plus utilities.

Unfurnished 1 bdrm, 1 bath. \$300/mo plus utilities. No Pets.

Unfurnished 2 bdrm, 1 bath. \$400.00/mo plus utilities. No pets.

NIGHTLY RENTALS ALSO AVAILABLE. Call Kathy. Tall Pines Realty • 257-7786
 Kathy Jo King (Lic.# 347135) or Donna Mobley (Lic.# 314765)

Ruidoso News
 257-4001

010 REAL ESTATE

100 CONDOS FOR RENT
2BD 1-1/2 BA, WASHER dryer. In town location, just past the old, will trade part of rent for caretaking. 505-663-4041. References/1yr. lease required.

ONE MONTH FREE RENT! 2bd/1ba Condo. Fireplace, single level, unfurnished. Get one month free rent with year lease. \$475/mo, includes water. No pets. Security deposit required. Call Candace. 258-5200. NM License #13789C

110 CABINETS/VACATION RENTALS
FULLY FURNISHED, 2BD/1BA on the River. Quiet, beautiful location. Non-smoking, no pets. Call 257-5660 after 5:00 pm

NICELY FURNISHED, excellent condition, long or short term rental. \$125/night. 1-877-297-7107 (505) 625-1443

ONE & TWO BDR CABINS and Mobile home. Furnished with kitchen. 311 Mechem 257-2435

UNFURNISHED 2BD, 3/4 BA with study. \$550/month. \$200 C/D deposit, utilities paid, no pets. References/lease 257-6944

140 WANT TO RENT
WANTED RETAIL SPACE: 500 sq ft between 2100-2700 Suddeth Drive. 6 month lease 800-670-3534 or 602-863-9411

150 STORAGE SPACE FOR RENT
AA STORAGE: 378-7030. Inside/Outside storage. 2247 Hwy 70 West, Ruidoso Downs, NM, between Denny's and Big O Tire Co.

ALL SIZES STORAGE UNITS available. Affordable Storage, 253 Carrizo Canyon. Call for special 257-9417

FORTRESS MINI STORAGE at the Castle. Highway 70. All sizes, including (2) 20x60 in Prestige Cabinet Showroom 257-0313 or 257-7622

L & D SELF STORAGE Hwy 48. Space available. 258-4599 or 257-9463.

170 BUSINESS RENTALS
AVAILABLE NOW RETAIL or office space 750 sq. ft. store front \$750.00 per month. Attic Complex 1031 Mechem 258-5338

BUILDING FOR LEASE. Excellent Mid-Town location. 1,250 sq. ft. beautiful retail space. Available immediately 2610 Suddeth (505)256-9178

COMMERCIAL BUILDING on Hwy 70 East. 1 mile east of rock track. \$600/month. Water, sewer, & garbage paid. 378-4661

DESIRABLE COMMERCIAL property on Suddeth. 1,400 sq. ft. store front/property + 1,200 sq. ft. attached 2/2 house. Beautifully fenced back yard. \$1,350/month 257-5518 257-0372

FOR LEASE: Four office suite, approx 1000 sq. ft. plus shared reception area, kitchenette/storage, partially furnished. 1206 Mechem 258-4030

070 HOUSES FOR RENT
3 bdrm, 2 1/2 bath, furnished condo. \$700/mo plus utilities.

3 bdrm, 2 bath, 2 car garage, large flat lot with easy access. unfurnished house. Great Sierra Blanca and Golf Course views. \$1300.00/mo plus utilities.

RV Space available. \$135.00/mo plus utilities.

Unfurnished 1 bdrm, 1 bath. \$300/mo plus utilities. No Pets.

Unfurnished 2 bdrm, 1 bath. \$400.00/mo plus utilities. No pets.

NIGHTLY RENTALS ALSO AVAILABLE. Call Kathy. Tall Pines Realty • 257-7786
 Kathy Jo King (Lic.# 347135) or Donna Mobley (Lic.# 314765)

Ruidoso News
 257-4001

010 REAL ESTATE

NEAR RUIDOSO Arabela Valley
42 Acres \$39,900.00
72 Acres \$69,900.00
 Tel. & elec., paved road, private, views. Easy financing.
1-505-378-1343

RE/MAX of Ruidoso
 1009 Mechem, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345
 Office: 505-257-5333 505-257-5570
 Fax: 505-258-5839
 Each Office Independently Owned and Operated

Ellie Wettersch 436-5942 or 336-1028
Eddy Gibson 420-3827 or 257-1334
 www.eddygibson.com

FOR RENT OR FOR SALE. This house is so cute and so lovely. It is an Alto Chalet with full Golf Membership. Four bedrooms nestled in the trees. Only \$155,000. Rent is negotiable. Call Ellie.

BRING YOUR FISHING POLE. Gorgeous river property with a well, 5 acres \$120,000. 6 acres \$68,000 with views.

VERY NICE 3 BEDROOM 2 3/4 BATH CHALET IN COUNTRY ESTATES. Possible fourth bedroom or study. \$149,900. 2000+ sq. ft. Lots of decks and gorgeous trees.

CALL EDDY ABOUT TWO FABULOUS DON RUSSELL HOMES. One under construction and one fabulously finished. Take a peek!

UPPER CANYON LIKE NEW CABIN with views and decks. Only \$83,500. Grab this one before summer. **DARLIN TWO BEDROOM CUTIE,** WITH A GARAGE. Only four years young. \$115,900. Hurry this won't last.

SIERRA 2BD/1BA this home has "woody feel". 2,600 sq. ft. total. \$109,000. Office

CALL EDDY GIBSON FROM DECK. Nestled in the trees. This home could be made into a BR and a BA. \$87,900.

WOODEN DECKS! 3BR, 1900 sq. ft. home. Great for entertaining. Beautiful fireplace. Tall pines on almost 1/2 acre. Attention! Wildlife. Quiet, secluded, convenient, easy access. Call Eddy. Reduced to \$145,000. Ask for DAVID.

RE/MAX of Ruidoso
 1009 Mechem, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345
 Office: (505) 258-5833 800-633-3570

www.zianet.com/starr1/

TALL PINES REALTY

716 Mechem Dr. • Ruidoso, NM

THIS WEEKS FEATURE

Three bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, den, family room, formal dining. Fantastic views of Sierra Blanca and Links golf course. Lots of decks!
 A super classy home—only \$269,000.
 Call today—owner eager to sell!
 Call 257-4274

www.zianet.com/starr1/

Looking for a weekend getaway?
A seasonal retreat? A reason to smile?

BEAUTIFUL CUSTOM HOME
 Located in tall pines on approx. 3 acres. European detail and craftsmanship. Social membership. House still being completed. \$650,000. #93380
 CALL CHARLES IMKE

RANCHES OF SONTERRA
 Level entry into this good lot with several building sites. \$39,900. #94068
 CALL PATRICIA KEARNS

AIRPORT WEST-COMMERCIAL LOT
 Nice fairly level commercial lot in fast growing area. Street to street. All city utilities. \$72,500. #93405
 CALL JOYCE W. COX

"LIGHT & BRIGHT"
 3/2/2 on corner lot with Barber carpet & wood floor in kitchen. Inside utility room off of kitchen. Custom blinds & a wonderful location + attached 2 car garage. \$132,000. #94682
 CALL MARTIN ROSE

BEAUTIFUL LARGE HOME
 on Ruidoso River, 3 Br, 3 Ba + guest quarters. Triple garage, currently Casa Royale B&B. Over 8200 Sq Ft heated. Great corporate house. \$825,000. #94338
 CALL J. SCOTT MILLER

OLD ALTO POST OFFICE
 Masonry exterior, shake shingle roof, delivery area with door, paved parking lot, very level entry, some counters. \$139,500. #93981
 CALL GEORGIA UNDERWOOD

SANTA FE STYLE AT ALTO!
 Terrific home on two lots. 3 Br, 2Ba. Custom features throughout, Salfillo tile, Barber carpet, plantation shutters. Pretty patios. Custom outdoor lighting. Full golf membership. \$269,000. #91125
 CALL HELEN ALLARD

AIRPORT WEST-COMMERCIAL LOT
 Nice, fairly level commercial lot in fast growing area. Street to street. All city utilities. \$72,500. #93405
 CALL JOYCE W. COX

CENTURY 21 Aspen Real Estate
 727 Mechem Drive • Ruidoso 101 High Mesa Drive - Alto
 257-9057 • 1-800-858-2773 336-4248 • 1-800-587-6602
 Visit us on-line at c21aspenruidoso.com • E-mail us at: <

170 BUSINESS RENTALS

FOR LEASE: PRIME Office Space. Executive suites with conference room. Also, larger multi-office suites. Interior or Golf Course/mountain views. Abundant parking. 505-258-5824

FOR RENT - COMMERCIAL Restaurant building and equipment at entrance to Upper Canyon. Monthly rental \$2,200 plus utilities. Property also FOR SALE. Call James Paxton, Century 21 Aspen Real Estate 257-9057 or 800-658-2773

FOR RENT COMMERCIAL
Restaurant building and equipment at entrance to Upper Canyon. Monthly rental \$2,200 plus utilities. Property also FOR SALE. Call James Paxton, Century 21 Aspen Real Estate 257-9057 or 800-658-2773

Great office located in North Creek Professional Park. Two levels, large open offices - bathroom on each floor. Excellent condition and location. Please call James or Marilyn, CENTURY 21 Aspen Real Estate 257-9057 or 1-800-658-2773. Owner is a licensed NM Real Estate Broker.

040 HOUSES FOR SALE

170 BUSINESS RENTALS

WANTED RETAIL SPACE: 500 sq ft between 2100-2700 Sudderth Drive. 6 month lease 800-670-3534 or 602-863-9411

180 BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

A1 SNICKERS/YORK Established vending route. Will sell within 3 weeks. Under \$9K investment required. Great profit potential. Finance with good credit. -1-888-333-2254 (247)

ABSOLUTE GOLDMINE! Nothing down. York Mint routes. 22 locations, EZ 7 hours/week. No selling. Net \$52K yearly. Minimum investment \$4,000. Toll free 1-866-250-2810

CABIN OPERATION: 15 units: some rented monthly, some nightly. Also includes owner's home with garage. Many possibilities. \$385,000.00. Call Joseph A. Zagone at 420-3807. #91465

M&M/MARS ESTABLISHED Routes available. Minimum investment \$4,000. Annual potential earnings. Over \$90K 1-800-836-8991 24 hours

WOULD YOU LIKE TO OWN your own home based business? Training in Ruidoso, call for details. 258-3618 1-888-673-5139

190 AUTOS FOR SALE

1990 GRAND CARAVAN LE, no rust, newer auto transmission, 35,000 miles. Asking \$3,350 OBO 354-9123

040 HOUSES FOR SALE

190 AUTOS FOR SALE

1988 PORSCHE TURBO 944. Show-room new, 34K miles. Sport leather seats, sun roof, Colgan front and mask, 5 speed, A/C, new Blaupunkt, AM/FM/CD Radio. \$14,500 Firm Call (505)336-1244

1992 JEEP WRANGLER hard-top, A/C, stereo system, 4x4 1995 Nissan Altima, fully loaded, priced to sell. 257-4435 or 491-3300

1997 GEO METRO, 4 DOOR automatic, excellent condition, new tires, new batteries, tinted windows, CD player, 45mpg \$3,500 258-9272

95 FORD EXPLORER XLT power seats, locks, windows, CD changer, fully loaded, \$12,000 OBO, will trade (505)258-5020 (505) 420-3338

200 TRUCKS & 4x4s FOR SALE

1992 DODGE RAM 3/4 TON 4 WD Tool Box body \$5,400 378-5812

1999 OLDS BRAVADA, Loaded, 4x4, leather interior, 35,000 miles. Owner motivated. 258-3255 or 420-3914 Leave message

76 DODGE, 1/2 TON PU Club Cab 318 Engine, automatic transmission 4wd. Good work truck. \$625 257-5808

88 TROOPER II, Excellent condition, runs great, 5 speed, 4 wheel drive. \$2,000 OBO Call anytime 430-1558

040 HOUSES FOR SALE

200 TRUCKS & 4x4s FOR SALE

CANDY APPLE RED, 1995 Ford, 5 speed, 4 cylinder, Ranger. Good truck. Take car in trade or older p/u. After 5:30 pm 378-1758

LIKE NEW 1999 Z-71, 4 Wheel drive Chevrolet pickup. One owner, 21,000 miles. Side steps, tonneau cover & bedliner. \$19,999 Call 630-8431

220 MOTORCYCLES FOR SALE

1988 HARLEY DAVIDSON Heritage Soft Tail, mint condition, low miles, w/trailer, \$12,900. 336-1537.

HONDA ODESSEY 250CC in good condition. Call Chris at 258-5833 or evenings 336-8431.

240 RV'S AND TRAVEL TRAILERS

1994 ALJO 25' TRAVEL Trailer. Excellent condition, front and back doors, microwave, stereo. \$7,500 Call 630-9506, ask for Garrett.

OLDER WINNABAGO, SELF contained. \$2,400. The generator is worth this in California. 378-5812

250 LIVESTOCK & HORSES

HORSE TRAINING. Horsemanship lessons, horse sales. Answers to your horse related questions, on line problem solving. www.thehorsecenter.com

PYGMY GOATS: hardy and amusing pets. Various colors, reasonable. 336-4777

270 FEED & GRAINS

TOP QUALITY Alfalfa \$5.00 (beginning the harvest)

2 miles north of Tularosa, 1.2 mile west

Gertsberger Farm
505-585-4578

190 AUTOS FOR SALE

Your ad could be here!
Ruidoso News Advertising

Lisa Morales, Linda Wallace, Angel Gonzales, or Linda Mayes
257-4001

190 AUTOS FOR SALE

Antique Liquidators 415 12th Street Carrizozo, NM Fine antique, glassware, china, furniture - old west and Indian

190 AUTOS FOR SALE

190 AUTOS FOR SALE

We Help You With Vehicle Credit

Roswell Toyota has set up a secondary financing department to help people with credit problems.

We'll work with you to finance your next new or pre-owned car, truck, van or SUV.

No flash, no empty promises. Come see us and we'll work with you.

Fritz Freese
Roswell Toyota
1909 W. Second St.
Roswell, NM

Or call:
(505) 622-5860
(800) 521-8012

250 LIVESTOCK & HORSES

GIANT SADDLE & TACK AUCTION Saturday, March 10th - 2:00PM

Ruidoso Civic Events Center
111 Sierra Blanca Drive, Ruidoso, NM

Howdy Ruidosol, Western Suppliers is returning to your area for our **SPRING BLAST SALE**. Get in gear for your upcoming shows, trainings, & ropings! Over 50 quality name-brand saddles by: Billy Cook, Circle T, Cherokee, Abetta and more! 1000's of tack items! Bits, Spurs, Bridles, Pads, Halters, Leads, Cinch's, Ropes, Collars, Reins, Wormer, Blankets, Totes, Saddle Bags, Silver show equipment, grooming and training Gear, Assorted Tools, Decorative Items and much more. We'll treat you right and save you big bucks!

Bring your used saddles for trade-in credit.
Auctioneer - Tommy Williams
for info/free catalog: (800) 556-3133

Jim Spence AUTOLEX
378-1155
107 Hwy 70 E

280 PRODUCE & PLANTS

COMPOST
SIERRA CONTRACTING PRODUCERS OF WHITE MOUNTAIN COMPOST

COMPOST \$17.50 CU. YD.
COMPOST - TOP SOIL MIX \$18.50 CU. YD.

BAGS SOLD AT CONLEY'S OR SEASONS NURSERY

TRUCK LOAD, WE DELIVER 378-1091

YOU PICK UP 1 MILE EAST OF RUIDOSO DOWNS

Free Mulch U-Pick-Up

White Mountain Composting

290 PETS & SUPPLIES

AIREDALE PUPS, 8 WEEKS old. \$200 Call 257-2342

APARTMENT UTILITIES in exchange for loving help for small animals, in Bent. May include minor maintenance. 671-0525 or 671-0525

300 YARD SALES

GARAGE SALE: 311 Spring Children's clothes, baseball cards, various items. Saturday 8 am to 2 pm

SATURDAY, MARCH 3, 206 Willie Horton Drive, 9:00-2:00. Home and office furniture, hand tools, yard tools, and other treasures.

This is going to be a good one! March 3 12 Noon AUCTION

Kenwood complete entertainment system, all kinds of furniture, tools, household items, original Budweiser Clydesdale mirror, & tons more. Stop in & browse. Still taking consignments.

FEEDLOT Hwy 70 Ruidoso Downs 378-4891

YARD SALE: 7:00AM Friday, 3/2 and Sat. 3/3. Lots of knick knacks and miscellaneous items. 802 Valley View, Ruidoso Downs. \$1.50 Bunnits.

FOR SALE LEATHER couch has double recliners. New 3 months ago. \$1200.00, sacrifice for \$800.00. 336-1072

190 AUTOS FOR SALE

Antique Liquidators 415 12th Street Carrizozo, NM Fine antique, glassware, china, furniture - old west and Indian

Antique Liquidators 415 12th Street Carrizozo, NM Fine antique, glassware, china, furniture - old west and Indian

Antique Liquidators 415 12th Street Carrizozo, NM Fine antique, glassware, china, furniture - old west and Indian

Antique Liquidators 415 12th Street Carrizozo, NM Fine antique, glassware, china, furniture - old west and Indian

Antique Liquidators 415 12th Street Carrizozo, NM Fine antique, glassware, china, furniture - old west and Indian

Antique Liquidators 415 12th Street Carrizozo, NM Fine antique, glassware, china, furniture - old west and Indian

Antique Liquidators 415 12th Street Carrizozo, NM Fine antique, glassware, china, furniture - old west and Indian

Antique Liquidators 415 12th Street Carrizozo, NM Fine antique, glassware, china, furniture - old west and Indian

Antique Liquidators 415 12th Street Carrizozo, NM Fine antique, glassware, china, furniture - old west and Indian

Antique Liquidators 415 12th Street Carrizozo, NM Fine antique, glassware, china, furniture - old west and Indian

Antique Liquidators 415 12th Street Carrizozo, NM Fine antique, glassware, china, furniture - old west and Indian

Antique Liquidators 415 12th Street Carrizozo, NM Fine antique, glassware, china, furniture - old west and Indian

Antique Liquidators 415 12th Street Carrizozo, NM Fine antique, glassware, china, furniture - old west and Indian

310 HOUSEHOLD GOODS

Mansfield Furniture "Buy, Sell or Trade"

New & Used Furniture & Mattresses 257-3109 1000 Sudderth Drive

PRINT SOFA and love seat for \$375. Simmons King mattress set, frame, \$350 Indian decorations \$2.00 & up. 257-5518 267-0372

TREADMILL EXERCISER, like new, never used \$75 267-2229

Village Furniture "Since 1979" New & Used Furniture & Mattresses We Buy, Sell & Trade 650 Sudderth at 257-7575

330 ANTIQUES

BEAUTIFUL 1930'S OAK Bedroom suite with armoire - immaculate condition \$2,200 OBO Must See! 3 pc bedroom suite handcrafted 1940's (chest, vanity, & armoire) \$1,200. Mulled wine service, \$650 complete. Other pieces available 257-1181 257-1189

SCUBA GEAR - U.S. DIVERS & Scuba pro mask, fins, regulator with console, B.C., more older but good condition. \$238 OBO 630-9123 hm 258-4508 wk

19 DAY TOUR OF A lifetime. China, and Tibet, price all-inclusive. American tour guide (retired NMSU geography professor) has led 16 China trips. (505)443-8523

BUSINESS OWNERS accept major credit cards. No up front fees. Easy set up. Regardless of size, age or credit. No documentation needed. Increase your sales. 877-723-6766 Dept. #T61306

CREDIT CARD DEBT? Avoid Bankruptcy. Stop collection calls. Cut finance charges. Cut payments up to 50% debt consolidation. Fast approval. No credit check. 800-270-9894

NEW 16 FT UTILITY trailer for Bob Cat etc. 7000 # HD \$1,000 firm 257-1181 or 257-1189

PROpane TANKS, 1000 gallons @ \$1,000. 500 gallons @ \$400. With propane at \$1.25 a gallon. Call 267-2657 or 257-2045

STEEL BUILDING SALE! 30x40x10 - \$4,995; 30x60x12 - \$5,995; 30x80x14 - \$7,995; 50x75x16 - \$13,400. 30/90 L/L/WL Exposure C, Solid I-Beam. Guaranteed prices \$200-\$500 under competition! 1-800-973-3366 www.premiersteel.org

STEEL BUILDINGS SALE: 5,000 + sizes. 40x60x14, \$9,228; 50x75x14, \$11,778; 60x100x18, \$17,203. Mini-storage, 40x160, 32 units, \$18,914. Free brochures. www.asantibuildings.com

Santa Fe Buildings, 800-327-0750, ext. 79

YAMAHA GOLF CART, gasoline engine, top, windshield, radio, lights. \$1200. 258-4503

380 HELP WANTED

CDL - A DRIVERS - Experienced, inexperienced, school grads. Great miles, pay, benefits. Also affordable CDL training available with transportation/lodging included. Call Toll Free 877-885-8342 or 800-348-1380

CO PAID CDL TRAINING & 1st year income \$35K-Stevens Transport- OTR truck drivers wanted! Non-experienced or experienced 800-333-8595 EOE

CONVENIENCE STORE clerk needed. \$7 - \$9 an hour. Day shift 8 AM to 3 PM. Night shift 3 PM to 11 PM. Apply in person at Johnson's Village Store. Also

DIAMOND SHAMROCK now hiring, both locations. Apply in person.

DRIVER-COVENANT Transport. Coast to coast runs. Teams start 42-46 \$1,000 sign-on bonus for exp. co. drivers. For experienced drivers 1-800-411-4391

OWNER OPERATORS 1-877-848-6615. Graduate students 1-800-338-6428

EXPERIENCED DESK Clerk. Apply in person Ramada Limited. Prefer no phone calls.

380 HELP WANTED

2 - Immediate Openings Available:
Bakery Department
AM Steward
Full-Time position
H.S. Diploma or GED required
Night Baker
Full-Time position
2 to 3 years hands on experience
Call Del Salal at: 505/630-7368
To make appointment for interview.

Inn of the Mountain Gods
A MESCALERO APACHE ENTERPRISE
"New Mexico's Most Distinguished Resort"
Mescalero, NM 88340
www.innofthemountaingodsgods.com

Employment Opportunities Available
Applications being accepted for the following positions:
• Cooks
• Dishwashers
• Servers
• Cart Staff

Are you the right person for our club?

An excellent benefit package is available and a college tuition assistance program is in place.

Applications being accepted Monday through Friday in the Business Office. For directions please call 505/336-4231.

360 MISCELLANEOUS

UTILITY TRAILER: 4 X 8 heavy duty with ramp, removable sideboards & more, \$550 OBO 630-9123 hm 258-4538 wk

WE PAY CASH FOR THE remaining payments on Trust Dedeel Mortgage Annualized Interest! Nobody beats our pricing. 1-800-490-0731 ext. 615 www.nationalcontractbuyers.com

WOLFF TANNING BEDS Tan at home! Buy direct and save! Commercial/home units from \$199.00. Low monthly payments. Free color catalog, call today 1-800-842-1310 www.wp.tanstan.com

HOUSE UNDER \$70,000 ON attractive, sloping lot with trees. No mobiles. \$30,000 down. Prefer owner financing of balance. 378-1999

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

370 WANTED TO BUY

AA&CO IN FLAGSTAFF, Arizona now hiring Swingman or Subter. Medical and dental benefits. Call 520-526-4395.

AMERICA'S AIR FORCE jobs available in over 150 specialties, plus up to \$17,000 grant per year. Up to \$10,000 student loan repayment. Prior service openings. High school grads or prior service members from any branch, call 1-800-423-USAFA or visit www.airforce.com

APPLY IN PERSON AT THE Great Wall of China Restaurant. Hostess and waitperson. Part-time or full-time.

BARBER - FULL OR PART time. Manage/operate opportunity in new shop. 336-1008

CARPENTER WANTED TO BUILD SHED 354-9116

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

CO PAID CDL TRAINING & 1st year income \$35K-Stevens Transport- OTR truck drivers wanted! Non-experienced or experienced 800-333-8595 EOE

CONVENIENCE STORE clerk needed. \$7 - \$9 an hour. Day shift 8 AM to 3 PM. Night shift 3 PM to 11 PM. Apply in person at Johnson's Village Store. Also

DIAMOND SHAMROCK now hiring, both locations. Apply in person.

DRIVER-COVENANT Transport. Coast to coast runs. Teams start 42-46 \$1,000 sign-on bonus for exp. co. drivers. For experienced drivers 1-800-411-4391

OWNER OPERATORS 1-877-848-6615. Graduate students 1-800-338-6428

EXPERIENCED DESK Clerk. Apply in person Ramada Limited. Prefer no phone calls.

380 HELP WANTED

2 - Immediate Openings Available:
Bakery Department
AM Steward
Full-Time position
H.S. Diploma or GED required
Night Baker
Full-Time position
2 to 3 years hands on experience
Call Del Salal at: 505/630-7368
To make appointment for interview.

Inn of the Mountain Gods
A MESCALERO APACHE ENTERPRISE
"New Mexico's Most Distinguished Resort"
Mescalero, NM 88340
www.innofthemountaingodsgods.com

Employment Opportunities Available
Applications being accepted for the following positions:
• Cooks
• Dishwashers
• Servers
• Cart Staff

Are you the right person for our club?

An excellent benefit package is available and a college tuition assistance program is in place.

Applications being accepted Monday through Friday in the Business Office. For directions please call 505/336-4231.

FORECLOSURE SALE
117 University Drive
Ruidoso, NM
3 BR, 1.5 Bath, 1129 SQ FT, 1 Car Carport
SALE LOCATION: Main entrance Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, NM
Dates: March 7, 2001 Time: 10:00 a.m.
Government Bid: \$40,260 Appraised Value: \$50,000
Legal: L. 9, Blk 2, 2nd Addn Airport West, Ruidoso, Lincoln Co. N.M.
Properties are not available for normal inspection as they are still owned by private individuals. However, if the property is abandoned, interested parties can contact the local Rural Development office to see if an inspection of the property can be made. Foreclosure is still pending in the NM District Court. Under some circumstances the sale may be cancelled. RD will not pay brokers or finders commission for successful bidders.
Terms Of Sale: Bid amount to be paid by the end of the day of sale payable to the Public Trustee. Payment must be made in US currency by cashiers or certified check. All Taxes plus interest due and Village of Ruidoso lien for approximately \$5714. are the responsibility of the Buyer.
FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION or TO VIEW PROPERTY:
Call USDA Rural Development
505-887-3506, Ext. 4

180 BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY FOR SALE
Business, building and land for sale. Call us for more information on this property in a great location near a high traffic intersection near the White Mountain area. Turn - key operation. THE PRICE HAS JUST BEEN REDUCED, Call Johnny at Tall Pines Realty, 257-7786.
SEE US ABOUT ADDITIONAL COMMERCIAL OPPORTUNITIES

180 BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY FOR SALE
Business, building and land for sale. Call us for more information on this property in a great location near a high traffic intersection near the White Mountain area. Turn - key operation. THE PRICE HAS JUST BEEN REDUCED, Call Johnny at Tall Pines Realty, 257-7786.
SEE US ABOUT ADDITIONAL COMMERCIAL OPPORTUNITIES

190 AUTOS FOR SALE

380 HELP WANTED

LOOKING FOR A REWARDING, CHALLENGING CAREER?

Earn while you learn. Ask about our nursing assistant training program.

RUIDOSO CARE CENTER
257-9071
M/S/HV
EEOC

NEEDED, 43 PEOPLE TO lose up to 30 lbs by April 3rd. Great company. Must enjoy physical outdoor work, possess strong leadership skills, have a good driving record and be flexible to travel to various work locations in New Mexico and Mid-West states. Osmose, Inc. Call toll free for information: 1-877-478-6731. EOE M/F/D/V. Visit our website at www.osmose.com

380 HELP WANTED

Santino's Italian Restaurant

NOW ACCEPTING applications for all positions. Insurance & 401(k) plan available. Applications accepted Monday - Saturday, 2:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Apply in person at 3800 Sudderth Drive. No phone calls please.

EEO employer.

HONDO VALLEY Public Schools has a position open for Administrative Secretary. Salary: Negotiable depending upon experience and level of skills. Application Deadline: March 15, 2001. Qualifications: General secretarial skills, office organization and computer skills. Application procedure: Applicants should submit the following: 1. Letter of interest. 2. Resume. Send Application packet to: Barbara A. Perea Casey, Superintendent, P.O. Box 55, Hondo, New Mexico 88336. All applicants will be screened for the selection of finalists. The Hondo Valley Public Schools do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, or handicap/disability in employment or provision of services.

EMPLOYMENT NOTICE

Lincoln County is now accepting applications for one **TEMPORARY LABORER** with the Lincoln County Road Department. Applicant(s) must work hard and be able to perform minor maintenance on equipment. Must have current driver's license, be able to do manual labor and drive a tractor to mow weeds. Obtain application and job description at the Lincoln County Manager's Office in Carrizozo or by calling 505/648-2385. The last day to apply for this position is Monday, March 12, 2001 at 5:00 p.m. Lincoln County, Equal Opportunity Employer and in Compliance with ADA Requirements, Title II-A.

EMPLOYMENT NOTICE

Lincoln County is now accepting applications for a **TEMPORARY CLERK** in the Lincoln County Assessor's Office. Applicant(s) must have working knowledge of computer systems and basic programs and good communication skills, both orally and in writing. Obtain application and job description at the Lincoln County Manager's Office in Carrizozo or by calling 505/648-2385. The last day to apply for this position is Friday, March 9, 2001 at 5:00 P.M. Lincoln County, Equal Opportunity Employer and in Compliance with ADA Requirements, Title II-A.

Quest Personnel

CABLEVISION COMMUNICATIONS IS NOW HIRING:

- Aerial Construction - Experience Required
- Cabling Splicing - Experience Required
- Cable Pre-Reading - Experience Required
- Good Benefits + Paid Holidays + Health Insurance
- All Full Time Positions

APPLY IN PERSON at 1092 MECHAM
CALL TO TABBY FOR MORE INFORMATION
258 - 2359

Quest Personnel, Inc.

Positions Available:

- General Labor
- Construction/Building
- Clerical
- Cooks
- Counter Help

Call Tabby Cummings
Branch Manager
258 - 2359
No fee to the employee. EOE

380 HELP WANTED

PIZZA HUT

NOW HIRING DELIVERY DRIVERS AT BOTH LOCATIONS

Must be 18 years of age & have proof of insurance

Please Come By Between 10-2, 5-9 For Interview

An Equal Opportunity Affirmative Action Employer

POSTAL JOBS \$48,923.00 yr. Now hiring-no experience, paid training, great benefits. Call for lists. 7 days. 800-429-3680 ext. J115

PUB 48, 441 MECHAM Drive seeking experienced full time cooks. Apply in person.

RUIDOSO CARE CENTER has openings for:

1. Certified Nursing Assistants
2. Nursing Assistants (we will train)
3. Laundry
4. Housekeeping
5. Prep Cooks

Competitive wages, benefits available, vacation/sick pay. **RUIDOSO CARE CENTER** 257-9071 M/S/HV EEOC

Ruidoso Christian School as of January 2001, will be accepting applications for administrator/principal for the school year 2001/2002. Please send resumes to Idy Schweitzer, School Board Chairman, First Baptist Church of Ruidoso Downs, P.O. Box 187, Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346. Phone #: 336-8083

Ruidoso Ready Labor

Daily Work/Daily Pay

Construction, framers, general labor, food service, housekeepers, clerical. All skill levels.

Apply today! 257-7876

449 Sudderth Drive In Gateway Center.

WANTED MAINTENANCE person with experience. No phone calls, apply in person. PineCliff Village 401 Hwy 70 Ruidoso

390 WORK WANTED

BURKETT HOME REPAIR. Service calls, interior, exterior, carpentry, painting, doors, deck repairs, cabin care. Ask for Steve 257-2910.

400 SERVICES

LARRY'S HANDYMAN SERVICE

Commercial - Residential

"Big or Small We Do Them All"

Roof Repair • Remodel • Decks • Porches • Tile & Tile Repair
NM Lic. #57727 "Over 30 years experience"

354-2832 after 7:00 p.m. or leave message

PROFESSIONAL HEARING

Will be in Ruidoso March 12th

Ruidoso Lincoln County Medical Center
Professional Building
126 El Paso Rd.

YUKIE EBARA
M.S., M.A.
C.C.C.A. Audiologist

Yukie Ebara will also be available for private consultation.

ask about our discounts...

1 - 800 - 559 - 8543
We also serve Carlsbad, Hobbs and Roswell (505) 622 - 4327

380 HELP WANTED

POSTAL JOBS TO \$16.35 per hour. Wildlife jobs to \$21.60 per hour. No experience necessary, includes benefits. Application and exam information call 8:00am - 8:30pm 7 days 1-800-358-4687 ext. 0817 Federal Career Center.

RAINDANCER YOUTH SERVICES needs families to provide stable homes for youth with emotional or behavioral concerns. To learn more, please attend orientation at 6:00 p.m. Thursday, March 8, at Raindancer in White Mountain Plaza, 1204 Mechem, Suite 13. For information, contact Raindancer at (505) 258-3132

RUIDOSO CARE CENTER has openings for:

1. Certified Nursing Assistants
2. Nursing Assistants (we will train)
3. Laundry
4. Housekeeping
5. Prep Cooks

Competitive wages, benefits available, vacation/sick pay. **RUIDOSO CARE CENTER** 257-9071 M/S/HV EEOC

Ruidoso Christian School as of January 2001, will be accepting applications for administrator/principal for the school year 2001/2002. Please send resumes to Idy Schweitzer, School Board Chairman, First Baptist Church of Ruidoso Downs, P.O. Box 187, Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346. Phone #: 336-8083

Ruidoso Ready Labor

Daily Work/Daily Pay

Construction, framers, general labor, food service, housekeepers, clerical. All skill levels.

Apply today! 257-7876

449 Sudderth Drive In Gateway Center.

WANTED MAINTENANCE person with experience. No phone calls, apply in person. PineCliff Village 401 Hwy 70 Ruidoso

390 WORK WANTED

BURKETT HOME REPAIR. Service calls, interior, exterior, carpentry, painting, doors, deck repairs, cabin care. Ask for Steve 257-2910.

400 SERVICES

LARRY'S HANDYMAN SERVICE

Commercial - Residential

"Big or Small We Do Them All"

Roof Repair • Remodel • Decks • Porches • Tile & Tile Repair
NM Lic. #57727 "Over 30 years experience"

354-2832 after 7:00 p.m. or leave message

PROFESSIONAL HEARING

Will be in Ruidoso March 12th

Ruidoso Lincoln County Medical Center
Professional Building
126 El Paso Rd.

YUKIE EBARA
M.S., M.A.
C.C.C.A. Audiologist

Yukie Ebara will also be available for private consultation.

ask about our discounts...

1 - 800 - 559 - 8543
We also serve Carlsbad, Hobbs and Roswell (505) 622 - 4327

390 WORK WANTED

Brillante Construction

Thomas Brillante
GENERAL CONTRACTOR
REMODEL DECKS • REMODELING
NEW CONSTRUCTION
PAINTING
258-5188
License #NM 058319-GS BS

David Fryer
General Contractor
257-2410
Building - Remodeling
License #55166

J.F. CONSTRUCTION INC.

License #26061 • Bonded & Insured
Commercial & Residential Construction

New Construction, Additions, Remodeling, Deck Repairs, Roofing, Insulation, Siding, Repair, Insurance Work
No Job Too Small
No Job Too Large
Quality Work... At Your Guarantee

257-7818

WELDING. HEAVY equipment repair, fabrication & custom welding. Decorative welding & metal art. Dave Perkins Cell 910-1992 18 years in area

400 SERVICES

Bal-co Builders
Metal Roofs, Decks, Additions, Painting, Garages, Remodels, Carpets, Home Repairs, Free Estimates, Free Builders
257-6357 NM Lic #051280

COMPLETE YARD CARE
Tree removal, pruning, hauling, raking, mowing, gutters. Free Estimates everyday. Referrals available. 257-5806

CUNNINGHAM & SON CONSTRUCTION
Custom designed homes and remodeling. Let us show you a dream home we have built in Ruidoso. Licensed and insured. 505-624-1830.

"Dan Can"
Complete Home Repair
References Available
Just Call 430 9170
Calls Returned
Appointments Kept

EXCAVATING: ALL KINDS:
Dump Truck Service: Blade/cut Roads; Culvert installed; Gravel Driveway; Insured: NMS7981 Barnard Excavating/Landscaping 378-4132, 620-0704

HAND MADE CUSTOM TILE
Painted and/or sculptured, single tiles or murals. \$50 to \$5.00 per tile 336-4051

METAL ROOFS
Senior Discounts
Free Estimates
JOHN LYNN ROOFING
375-4243
Basalt • License #56173
Shingle, Roofs, Repairs, Insurance Work
30 Years Experience

400 SERVICES

LARRY'S HANDYMAN SERVICE

Commercial - Residential

"Big or Small We Do Them All"

Roof Repair • Remodel • Decks • Porches • Tile & Tile Repair
NM Lic. #57727 "Over 30 years experience"

354-2832 after 7:00 p.m. or leave message

PROFESSIONAL HEARING

Will be in Ruidoso March 12th

Ruidoso Lincoln County Medical Center
Professional Building
126 El Paso Rd.

YUKIE EBARA
M.S., M.A.
C.C.C.A. Audiologist

Yukie Ebara will also be available for private consultation.

ask about our discounts...

1 - 800 - 559 - 8543
We also serve Carlsbad, Hobbs and Roswell (505) 622 - 4327

400 SERVICES

Patricia S. Ortiz, Attorney

505-258-9046

If in jail, call collect 1204 Mechem #11
White Mountain Plaza
(south of Fair & Bowling Green)
• DWI • Criminal Law •
• Divorce •
• Adoption • Family Law •
• Injuries Accidents •
• Bankruptcy •

PET AND PLANT SITTING: your house or mine. Mine for small dogs, plants for larger pets, cats, yours. Call Sandy for information. 257-0306

TOTAL HOME CARE
Husband & wife team, professional cleaning, Residential & commercial. Make homes ready to rent or sell. Cabin work, annual spring-cleaning or small lawn & yard care. Light home repair.
257-0999, Cell 910-4835

"For YOUR protection, get a HOME INSPECTION"

RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL INSPECTIONS
Certified • Ethical • Experienced
Professional • Independent

WHITE MOUNTAIN INSPECTION CO.
Call TODAY!
Ron Ludwick • 505-420-1487
Email: norron@image50.com
Fax: 505-257-2623

420 CHILD CARE

NEEDED A RELIABLE person to babysit two small children in our home. Days/some evenings: 257-0999 or cell 910-4835

440 FIREWOOD FOR SALE

DRY SEASONED AND SPLIT Juniper firewood. Regular length and stove cut. You pick up or we deliver and stack. 659-4021

460 LOST & FOUND

FOUND NEAR FOX CAVE, Black & White Australian Shepherd, Border collie mix. Call 378-8061

490 PERSONALS

FREE PREGNANCY TEST
Caring and confidential assistance. 258-1800

600 LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES HONDO VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Board of Education for the Hondo Valley Public School District is soliciting qualification-based proposals from all interested providers of profes-

600 LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Lincoln County Planning Commission will hold their regular meeting on March 6, 2001. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 8:00 p.m. at Village of Ruidoso Council Chambers, 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico.

AGENDA

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
- IV. OLD BUSINESS
 - a. Discussion of Comprehensive Plan for

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

AUDINOVISUALAIDS
CLASSICALBALLET
ONTHEDOTTEDLINE
WAIT ANY LEVER
NATE REVERE
NEGRI VIRG
APP STARES TBLE
REACHESANACCORD
AEROTSEISE ROD
LARA LENNY
TATAMI YSNV
ORANT TON COOT
TOMDICKANDHARRY
IMPERIALMEASURE
SPARENOEXPENSE

600 LEGALS

ational architectural services. A multi-term contract will be entered into with the successful firm. The multi-term contract will be for a period not to exceed four years.

Submit 6 copies of your proposal in a sealed envelope, bearing the title, "PROPOSAL FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES" and the complete name and return address of the offeror. Improper identification may result in failure to consider the proposal.

All requirements must be addressed in the proposal. Non-responsive proposals will not be considered. Proposals will not be opened publicly, but will be opened in the presence of two or more administrative staff members.

Proposals must be delivered on or before the due date and time specified. Late proposals will not be accepted. Office hours for receipt of proposals are Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., excluding holidays.

The proposal must be signed by the person authorized to contractually obligate the firm.

Mail or deliver proposal to: Hondo Valley School District P.O. Box 55 (Mile Marker 286, Hwy. 70/380 West) Hondo, New Mexico 88336

Deadline for submission: 4 p.m. (MST) March 14, 2001

All questions regarding this RFP shall be addressed to: Barbara A. Perea Casey, Superintendent Hondo Valley School District P.O. Box 55 Hondo, New Mexico 88336 (505)653-4411

3366 2T(2)28, (3)2

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning & Zoning Commission of the Town of Carrizozo will hold a regular meeting on Monday, March 5, 2001 at 6:30PM, City Hall Conference Room, Carrizozo, New Mexico.

AGENDA WILL BE POSTED in accordance with Resolution No. 2000-16 unless otherwise specified. The agenda shall be available to the public at least twenty-four hours before any regular meeting.

If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing or meeting, please contact Leann Welbrocht or Margaret LaBelle at (505)648-2371, City Hall, Carrizozo, New Mexico at least one week prior to the meeting or as soon as possible.

Leann Welbrocht, CMC Town Clerk/Treasurer Town of Carrizozo.

3359 1T(3)2

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning & Zoning Commission of the Town of Carrizozo will hold a regular meeting on Monday, March 5, 2001 at 6:30PM, City Hall Conference Room, Carrizozo, New Mexico.

AGENDA WILL BE POSTED in accordance with Resolution No. 2000-16 unless otherwise specified. The agenda shall be available to the public at least twenty-four hours before any regular meeting.

If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing or meeting, please contact Leann Welbrocht or Margaret LaBelle at (505)648-2371, City Hall, Carrizozo, New Mexico at least one week prior to the meeting or as soon as possible.

Leann Welbrocht, CMC Town Clerk/Treasurer Town of Carrizozo.

3362 3T(3)2, 9.16

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Lincoln County Planning Commission will hold their regular meeting on March 6, 2001. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 8:00 p.m. at Village of Ruidoso Council Chambers, 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico.

AGENDA

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
- IV. OLD BUSINESS
 - a. Discussion of Comprehensive Plan for

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning & Zoning Commission of the Town of Carrizozo will hold a regular meeting on Monday, March 5, 2001 at 6:30PM, City Hall Conference Room, Carrizozo, New Mexico.

AGENDA WILL BE POSTED in accordance with Resolution No. 2000-16 unless otherwise specified. The agenda shall be available to the public at least twenty-four hours before any regular meeting.

If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing or meeting, please contact Leann Welbrocht or Margaret LaBelle at (505)648-2371, City Hall, Carrizozo, New Mexico at least one week prior to the meeting or as soon as possible.

Leann Welbrocht, CMC Town Clerk/Treasurer Town of Carrizozo.

3362 3T(3)2, 9.16

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Lincoln County Planning Commission will hold their regular meeting on March 6, 2001. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 8:00 p.m. at Village of Ruidoso Council Chambers, 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico.

AGENDA

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
- IV. OLD BUSINESS
 - a. Discussion of Comprehensive Plan for

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning & Zoning Commission of the Town of Carrizozo will hold a regular meeting on Monday, March 5, 2001 at 6:30PM, City Hall Conference Room, Carrizozo, New Mexico.

AGENDA WILL BE POSTED in accordance with Resolution No. 2000-16 unless otherwise specified. The agenda shall be available to the public at least twenty-four hours before any regular meeting.

If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing or meeting, please contact Leann Welbrocht or Margaret LaBelle at (505)648-2371, City Hall, Carrizozo, New Mexico at least one week prior to the meeting or as soon as possible.

Leann Welbrocht, CMC Town Clerk/Treasurer Town of Carrizozo.

3362 3T(3)2, 9.16

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning & Zoning Commission of the Town of Carrizozo will hold a regular meeting on Monday, March 5, 2001 at 6:30PM, City Hall Conference Room, Carrizozo, New Mexico.

AGENDA WILL BE POSTED in accordance with Resolution No. 2000-16 unless otherwise specified. The agenda shall be available to the public at least twenty-four hours before any regular meeting.

If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing or meeting, please contact Leann Welbrocht or Margaret LaBelle at (505)648-2371, City Hall, Carrizozo, New Mexico at least one week prior to the meeting or as soon as possible.

Leann Welbrocht, CMC Town Clerk/Treasurer Town of Carrizozo.

3362 3T(3)2, 9.16

600 LEGALS

areas around Fort Stanton and Sierra Blanca Airport Roads b. Suggestions for Sub division Regulations changes

V. STAFF REPORT
VI. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS
VII. ADJOURN

3360 1T(3)2

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on February 13, 2001, Cedar Creek Cabin Owners Assn., P.O. Box 2696, Ruidoso, NM 88355, filed application No. H-188 with the STATE ENGINEER for permit to change location of well by ceasing the use of existing shallow well H-188 in the NW1/4NW1/4SE1/4 of Section 8, Township 11 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M., and drilling a well 6 inches in diameter and approximately 350 feet in depth at a point located in the NW1/4NW1/4SE1/4 of Section 8, Township 11 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M., for the continued diversion of 32.0 acre-feet per annum of shallow groundwater for subdivision and domestic related purposes.

The old well is to be plugged.

Both the move-from and move-to wells are located in Cedar Creek Subdivision, Ruidoso, New Mexico.

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

3364 1T(3)2

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning & Zoning Commission of the Town of Carrizozo will hold a regular meeting on Monday, March 5, 2001 at 6:30PM, City Hall Conference Room, Carrizozo, New Mexico.

AGENDA WILL BE POSTED in accordance with Resolution No. 2000-16 unless otherwise specified. The agenda shall be available to the public at least twenty-four hours before any regular meeting.

If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing or meeting, please contact Leann Welbrocht or Margaret LaBelle at (505)648-2371, City Hall, Carrizozo, New Mexico at least one week prior to the meeting or as soon as possible.

Leann Welbrocht, CMC Town Clerk/Treasurer Town of Carrizozo.

3359 1T(3)2

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning & Zoning Commission of the Town of Carrizozo will hold a regular meeting on Monday, March 5, 2001 at 6:30PM, City Hall Conference Room, Carrizozo, New Mexico.

AGENDA WILL BE POSTED in accordance with Resolution No. 2000-16 unless otherwise specified. The agenda shall be available to the public at least twenty-four hours before any regular meeting.

If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing or meeting, please contact Leann Welbrocht or Margaret LaBelle at (505)648-2371, City Hall, Carrizozo, New Mexico at least one week prior to the meeting or as soon as possible.

Leann Welbrocht, CMC Town Clerk/Treasurer Town of Carrizozo.

3362 3T(3)2, 9.16

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning & Zoning Commission of the Town of Carrizozo will hold a regular meeting on Monday, March 5, 2001 at 6:30PM, City Hall Conference Room, Carrizozo, New Mexico.

AGENDA WILL BE POSTED in accordance with Resolution No. 2000-16 unless otherwise specified. The agenda shall be available to the public at least twenty-four hours before any regular meeting.

If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing or meeting, please contact Leann Welbrocht or Margaret LaBelle at (505)648-2371, City Hall, Carrizozo, New Mexico at least one week prior to the meeting or as soon as possible.

Leann Welbrocht, CMC Town Clerk/Treasurer Town of Carrizozo.

3362 3T(3)2, 9.16

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning & Zoning Commission of the Town of Carrizozo will hold a regular meeting on Monday, March 5, 2001 at 6:30PM, City Hall Conference Room, Carrizozo, New Mexico.

AGENDA WILL BE POSTED in accordance with Resolution No. 2000-16 unless otherwise specified. The agenda shall be available to the public at least twenty-four hours before any regular meeting.

If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing or meeting, please contact Leann Welbrocht or Margaret LaBelle at (505)648-2371, City Hall, Carrizozo, New Mexico at least one week prior to the meeting or as soon as possible.

Leann Welbrocht, CMC Town Clerk/Treasurer Town of Carrizozo.

3362 3T(3)2, 9.16

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning & Zoning Commission of the Town of Carrizozo will hold a regular meeting on Monday, March 5, 2001 at 6:30PM, City Hall Conference Room, Carrizozo, New Mexico.

AGENDA WILL BE POSTED in accordance with Resolution No. 2000-16 unless otherwise specified. The agenda shall be available to the public at least twenty-four hours before any regular meeting.

If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing or meeting, please contact Leann Welbrocht or Margaret LaBelle at (505)648-2371, City Hall, Carrizozo, New Mexico at least one week prior to the meeting or as soon as possible.

Leann Welbrocht, CMC Town Clerk/Treasurer Town of Carrizozo.

3362 3T(3)2, 9.16

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning & Zoning Commission of the Town of Carrizozo will hold a regular meeting on Monday, March 5, 2001 at 6:30PM, City Hall Conference Room, Carrizozo, New Mexico.

AGENDA WILL BE POSTED in accordance with Resolution No. 2000-16 unless otherwise specified. The agenda shall be available to the public at least twenty-four hours before any regular meeting.

If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing or meeting, please contact Leann Welbrocht or Margaret LaBelle at (505)648-2371, City Hall, Carrizozo, New Mexico at least one week prior to the meeting or as soon as possible.

Leann Welbrocht, CMC Town Clerk/Treasurer Town of Carrizozo.

3362 3T(3)2, 9.16

600 LEGALS

vidual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing or meeting, please contact the Village Clerk at Village of Ruidoso Downs Village Hall at least one week prior to the meeting or as soon as possible.

/s/Gladys Dillard
Village Clerk/Treasurer

3363 1T(3)2

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning & Zoning Commission of the Town of Carrizozo will hold a regular meeting on Monday, March 5, 2001 at 6:30PM, City Hall Conference Room, Carrizozo, New Mexico.

AGENDA WILL BE POSTED in accordance with Resolution No. 2000-16 unless otherwise specified. The agenda shall be available to the public at least twenty-four hours before any regular meeting.

If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing or meeting, please contact Leann Welbrocht or Margaret LaBelle at (505)648-2371, City Hall, Carrizozo, New Mexico at least one week prior to the meeting or as soon as possible.

Leann Welbrocht, CMC Town Clerk/Treasurer Town of Carrizozo.

3359 1T(3)2

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning & Zoning Commission of the Town of Carrizozo will hold a regular meeting on Monday, March 5, 2001 at 6:30PM, City Hall Conference Room, Carrizozo, New Mexico.

AGENDA WILL BE POSTED in accordance with Resolution No. 2000-16 unless otherwise specified. The agenda shall be available to the public at least twenty-four hours before any regular meeting.

If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing or meeting, please contact Leann Welbrocht or Margaret LaBelle at (505)648-2371, City Hall, Carrizozo, New Mexico at least one week prior to the meeting or as soon as possible.

Leann Welbrocht, CMC Town Clerk/Treasurer Town of Carrizozo.

3362 3T(3)2, 9.16

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning & Zoning Commission of the Town of Carrizozo will hold a regular meeting on Monday, March 5, 2001 at 6:30PM, City Hall Conference Room, Carrizozo, New Mexico.

AGENDA WILL BE POSTED in accordance with Resolution No. 2000-16 unless otherwise specified. The agenda shall be available to the public at least twenty-four hours before any regular meeting.

If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing or meeting, please contact Leann Welbrocht or Margaret LaBelle at (505)648-2371, City Hall, Carrizozo, New Mexico at least one week prior to the meeting or as soon as possible.

Leann Welbrocht, CMC Town Clerk/Treasurer Town of Carrizozo.

TALL PINES REALTY

2704 Sudderth • 257-7786 • 800-257-7786

| | | |
|--|--|---|
| <p>Johnny Mobley 257-5485 Multi-Million Dollar Producer</p> <p>Kathy Jo King 648-4253 Million Dollar Producer</p> <p>Jan Harlow 630-9611 harlow@rubkoproperty.com</p> | <p>Mark Mabley 257-3890 Multi-Million Dollar Producer</p> <p>Dun Spencer 648-4253 Multi-Million Dollar Producer</p> <p>Gary Braason 257-0900 430-8446</p> | <p>Pat Brown 257-7416 Multi-Million Dollar Producer</p> <p>Mary Lou York 336-9154 Million Dollar Producer</p> |
|--|--|---|

Feature of the Week

THIS IS A BEAUTIFUL HOME located on 4 acres of land. 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, over 2300 sq.ft., 12x24 workshop, covered patio, a very good well, built in fireplace, all one level, new in 1998 and a nice view of the Capitans. Seller financing available. \$154,500.

GREAT INCOME POTENTIAL with this rental property. Includes 2 two bedroom units, 1 one bedroom unit, 2 mobile home spaces and 1 RV space. Close to the racetrack. Would be perfect for a horse trainer with a crew. Owner financing or possible trade. \$149,900.

LOCAL BUSINESS FOR SALE. This is a fantastic business opportunity established 16 years ago. Good income, established accounts and a visible location on Sudderth Dr. Sale includes accounts, inventory and 30 days of training! \$84,900.

NEW OF THE MARKET! This 3 bedroom, 2 bath home is all one level with a wonderful sun room, rock fireplace, over 1900 sq.ft. and located in a quiet neighborhood. \$140,000.

RANCH HOME WITH LUXURY GUEST QUARTERS, 5 bedrooms, 2 full baths, 2- 3/4 baths, easy access, secluded setting, commercially zoned highway frontage, Sierra Blanca view and much more. \$299,000.

Betty Beachum, Realtor, CCIM

Certified Commercial Investment Broker
505-258-5441 • 800-284-0294

- **PRIME DEVELOPMENT LOCATION DOWNTOWN** - 1.06 Acres on river, city utilities, commercial zoning. \$215,000.
- **DOWNTOWN CABIN OPERATION** - Perfect location in heart of town. 17 cabins -- 5 on the river, 3 BR home and office. Price reduced to \$875,000.
- **DOWNTOWN POPULAR RESTAURANT** - Very Good business. Lease building. \$285,000 for business.
- **LARGE OFFICE BUILDING ON MECHEM** - 14 Offices plus reception areas. Broker owned. Bargain at only \$275,000.
- **CAPITANACREAGE** - 3.3 Subdivision acres, fenced - \$2,000 CASH BACK allowance on fixer-upper house - \$76,000.
- **INCOME PRODUCING PROPERTY** - PLUS living quarters - Carrizozo Motel - and RV park, high occupancy - \$199,900 - Make offer!
- **11 BEAUTIFUL LEVEL ACRES** - two miles west of Lincoln - near raspberry farm \$82,000.

Office at Corner of Mechem and Innsbrook
Commercial Specialist - Betty Beachum Residential Specialist - Eleanor Shockey

600 LEGALS

which accreditation should be awarded the organization.

Joint Commission standards deal with organizational quality of care issues and the safety of the environment in which care is provided. Anyone believing that he or she has pertinent and valid information about such matters may request a public information interview with the Joint Commission's field representative at the time of the survey. Information presented at the interview will be carefully evaluated for relevance to the accreditation process. Requests for a public information interview must be made in writing and should be sent to the Joint Commission no later than five working days before the survey begins. The request must

600 LEGALS

also indicate the nature of the information to be provided at the interview. Such requests should be addressed to:

Division of Accreditation
Operations
Organization Liaison
Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations
One Renaissance Boulevard
Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181

The Joint Commission will acknowledge such requests in writing or by telephone will inform the organization of the date, time, and place of the meeting.

3361 1T(9)2

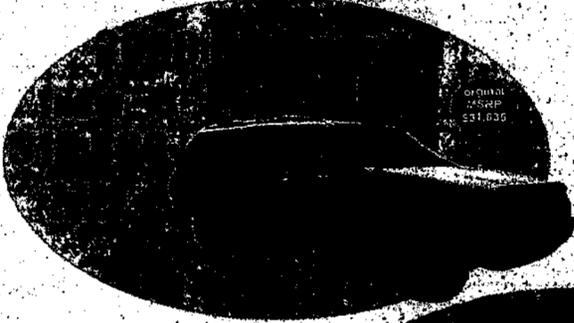
RUIDOSO NEWS IS NOW accepting applications for full time Classified Account Executive/Receptionist. The ideal candidate would be able to handle very fast paced office environment. Must be dependable, have computer knowledge, good telephone skills, work well with the public & able to meet deadlines. Benefits include: Medical, Dental insurance, paid vacation & sick days. Please inquire in person at 104 Park Avenue, Ruidoso, NM EOE

Ruidoso News
257-4001

LOWEST PRICES PERIOD

2000 MODEL PROGRAM SALE

These Vehicles are Low Mileage Ford Factory Program Cars.
All Have New Car Factory Warranty.



original MSRP \$31,035



original MSRP \$27,005



original MSRP \$20,235



original MSRP \$27,005



original MSRP \$28,215



original MSRP \$26,720

\$0 Down Delivers

All Payments \$0 Down

RUIDOSO FORD-LINCOLN-MERCURY

378-4400 • 107 Hwy. 70 • On the border of Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs • www.ruidosoford.com

All prices per tax, title and license. payments at 72 months. 9.9% with approved credit.

BUSINESS & SERVICE

D I R E C T O R Y

| | | | |
|--|---|---|--|
| <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>BOOT & SHOE REPAIR</p> <p>PALO VERDE BOOT & SHOE REPAIR</p> <p>Located in The Saddle Shop</p> <p>Jerry Jones 505-378-1026</p> <p>Fast, Friendly Service</p> <p>P.O. Box 1485 Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346</p> </div> | <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>CHIROPRACTOR</p> <p>Dr. Thomas LaValle Chiropractor</p> <p>Over 20 years experience treating Auto Accident Injuries</p> <p>Whiplash, headache, neck pain, back pain.</p> <p>LAVALE CHIROPRACTIC Call: 257-7655 304 Sudderth Ruidoso, NM 88345</p> </div> | <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>CONSTRUCTION</p> <p>RUIDOSO HOME CARE CONSTRUCTION P.O. BOX 787 ALTO, NM 88312 TEL: 505-396-1244</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - BARNS, STORAGE SHEDS, CORRALS, ROUND PENS - CUSTOM HOMES, GARAGES, STUDIOS, WORKSHOPS - SITE PLANS - ANTI-SLIP FLOOR COATINGS - RENOVATIONS AND EXPANSIONS - CAD DESIGN SERVICES - CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES <p style="font-size: 0.7em;">FREE ESTIMATES</p> </div> | <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>FURNISHINGS</p> <p>127 Vision Dr. R.O. Box 1662 Ruidoso, NM 88355</p> <p>(805) 257-6116 Fax (805) 257-1165</p> <p style="font-size: 1.2em; font-weight: bold;">HIGH COUNTRY OUTLET</p> <p>FURNITURE, ART & ACCESSORIES</p> </div> |
| <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>HAULING</p> <p>Rich Anlauf 505-257-9348 Cell 505-430-7721 Fax 505-378-8180</p> <p style="font-size: 0.8em;">AUTOS AND TRAILERS TRAVEL TRAILERS COMPETITIVE RATES e-mail: rianlauf@earthlink.com</p> </div> | <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>HOME HEALTH CARE</p> <p>RUIDOSO HOME CARE "Helping hands when you need them."</p> <p>(505) 258-0028</p> <p>e-mail: homecare@zianet.com FAX: 258-2648</p> </div> | <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>MARKETING</p> <p>Need a boost to your sales?</p> <p>Advertise in the Ruidoso News! Rates for every budget are available!</p> <p>Call Lisa, Linda, Angel or Mac at 257-4001 today!</p> </div> | <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>PET GROOMING</p> <p>Kara's Kritters has relocated to 200 Arapahoe Trail Owner/Operator w/ 17 yrs. experience Extended Hours - Late Pickup or Quick Turnaround Call for appointment 257-0608</p> </div> |
| <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>TAX PREPARATION</p> <p>H&R BLOCK</p> <p>1404 Sudderth Ruidoso, NM 88345 (505) 257-4223</p> </div> | <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>TAX PREPARATION</p> <p>Southwest Unlimited, Inc. TAX SERVICES • Professional Tax Preparation • Electronic Filing • Accounting • Bookkeeping</p> <p>306 Whitlock Rd., Ruidoso, NM Three doors down from Radio Shack</p> <p>(505) 257-1166 (505) 257-3171</p> <p style="font-size: 0.8em;">AUTHORIZED IRS PROVIDER</p> </div> | <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>TREE SERVICE</p> <p>Tree Services Lowest Prices Around</p> <p>Tree Removal • Trimming • Fertilizing • Hazard Removal • Roof Cleaning • Residential • Commercial • Reasonable Rates • Free Estimates • Lot Clearing</p> <p>Senior Discounts • 24 Hr. Emergency Storm Service Owner: Mike</p> <p>505-258-1568</p> </div> | <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>WINDOW CLEANING</p> <p>INSURANCE</p> <p>Andy & Bob Dupper, Owners</p> <p>(505) 258-1865</p> </div> |



March 2, 1951

Sheriff Ortiz tells who are deputies in county

Sally Ortiz, sheriff of Lincoln County, made some changes in deputy sheriffs in the county recently and has named those working with him as follows:

Chief Deputy Ben Smith of Carrizozo was replaced by Clyde Atwood who was called back into service.

Jim Pickering of Ruidoso, Manuel Herrera of San Patricio, Albert Kimbrell of Hondo and Picacho and Eddie Zamora of Capitan are deputies for the rest of the county.

March 3, 1961

New directors named for Ruidoso State Bank

Ruidoso State Bank directors, meeting last Saturday, named two new directors to the board.

They are Ralph Petty, operator of Gambles in Ruidoso, and Bruce Griffith, real estate developer of Ruidoso Downs.

They fill vacancies of Lake J. Frazier, former bank president here, who resigned in February, and Ralph Brown, who resigned last week.

March 5, 1971

Ski area sets new attendance record

The Sierra Blanca Ski Area set an all-time record attendance last Saturday Feb. 27, as 2,287 ski lift tickets were recorded. The record does not include beginner skiers, ski schools, or ski patrol personnel.

Roy Parker, ski area manager, stated that the last two previous records were both during Christmas holidays, in 1969 and 1970.

March 5, 1981

Five high school students named to state Lions' band

Five ruidoso High School band students have been accepted to participate in the 1981 New Mexico Lions Club Band. Jeanette Weems, Michael Hansen, Tad Haynes, Sharon Kirgan and Lara Ratliff will attend a state convention of band students in Albuquerque May 15-16.

Local band director Danny Flores said all RHS band students auditioned to participate in the band, with only the five best tapes accepted. "This is a very big honor for the kids, Flores said. "Usually only two students from any high school are accepted, and we had nearly 10 who did exceptionally well in auditions," he added.

March 7, 1991

Ruidoso Little Theater cast just 'Waiting in the Wings'

Ruidoso Little Theatre opens its 1991 season when the curtain goes up on "Waiting in the Wings" at 8 p.m. today at Cree Meadows Country Club.

Director Cem McClellan ... has gathered a cast that includes veteran RLT players and some newcomers.

In the show are Sandra Weber, Peggy Alford, Sandy Knox, Betty Bennett, Sandra Fredrickson, Teri Sodd, Lela Holcomb, Bobby Knox, Steve Norbury, Steve Smith, Vernita Hall Geri Collins, Sally Sandora, Cindy Lynch, Joyce McMath, Pam Warren and Paula Arriaga.

"Waiting in the Wings" is a typical Noel Coward show, said McClellan.

Call Cree for ticket information and/or dinner reservations.

Exotic good looks

and a very personal musical style are launching a career for a Capitan girl

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
 RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

With exotic good looks, a throaty voice and a confident, personal style of interpreting music, Amanda Koreny seems on a winning course to a career in music.

The talented 17-year-old began singing as a child with her mother at Christ Church in the Downs, then picked up a guitar two years ago and, with no training, started playing the songs she heard on the radio.

"I had choir for three or four months, but the teacher told me to stop singing where I shouldn't be because I kept going off," she said. "That was a long time ago."

Singing in front of crowds doesn't bother her anymore.

"I used to be really shy, especially in front of a lot of people, but now it doesn't matter," Koreny said. "When I was 15, I played a Beatles song as my first attempt on the guitar. It was like a foreign language, but I picked it up and started playing. I thought, 'My God, where did I get this,' but I knew I wanted to use it. I still don't know the right names for the strings, although I've learned to read music twice. I think my subconscious made me forget."

She wanted to learn the guitar to provide an accompaniment for her singing as she started to appear locally at The Roastery in Ruidoso and Spanky's in Capitan.

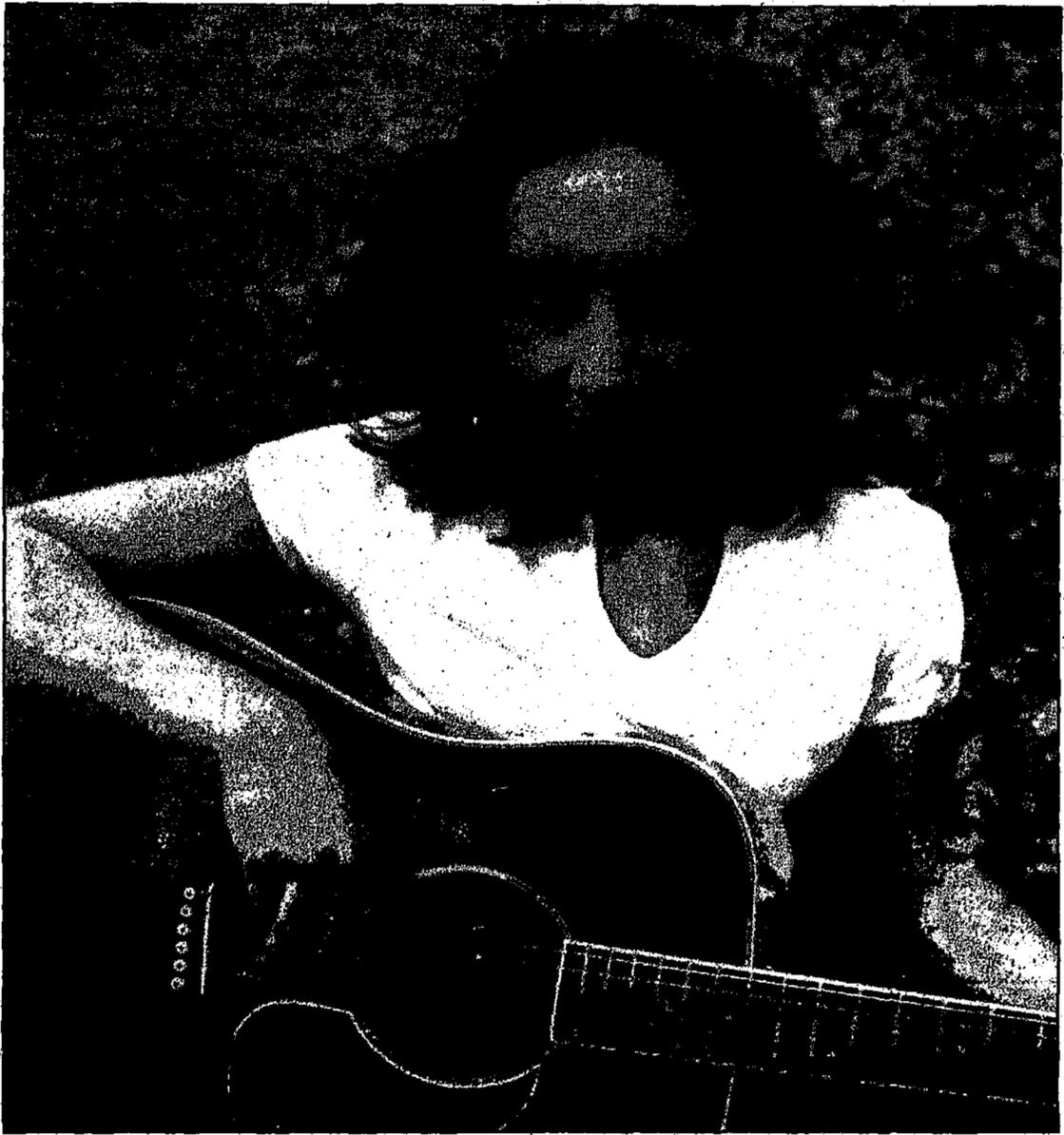
"I felt I could cover with my guitar if I messed up," she said.

But with unerring pitch mixed with her free-wheeling versions of "Bobby McGee," "Mr. Jones and Me," and other favorites, audiences would be hard-pressed to find a "mess up."

"I always sing the way I feel at the time," Koreny said. "I just love to sing. If I can make a career out of that, great. But I just love to sing."

Although her style is unusual, she said the singers she most admires include Jewel and Sheryl Crow.

Born in Ruidoso, Koreny is a senior at Capitan High School and lives in that community with her



Amanda Koreny demonstrates her unique singing style and prowess on the guitar.

Dianne Stallings/Ruidoso News

mother, Becky, a homemaker and musician, and her father, Jim, who's in telecommunications. All three of her older brothers, Aaron, 26, Nathan, 23, and Philip, 21, play guitar, the oldest with his own band, "J-Bone," in Arizona.

Aaron and Philip often provided backup when Amanda sang at parties, but lately her chief musical support comes from Michael and Tim Beyer, a father-and-son duo.

They've performed at the Roswell Country Club, Le Bistro, The Light-house Cafe, Pub 48 and The Roastery in Ruidoso, as well as a benefit concert.

Michael plays guitar and Tim, whom Koreny dates, plays bass, guitar, violin and drum.

"Music takes up all of my time," said Koreny, who's a "B" student and spends only half days at school. "I'm always tuned into music. After school,

I either sing or listen to music with my boyfriend."

Tim Beyer writes original music and occasionally Koreny puts words to the melody, but she said that's not her strength.

Her musical interests cover nearly all genres, "even some country," she said. From Don Henley to 2 PAC.

Her style she calls "singing from my toes - that's how it feels."

Music that attracts her the most must have an intriguing beat and strong melody. Words are less important.

Commenting on the furor in some quarters over lyrics extolling violence, Koreny said, "Kids are in it for the music, not the lyrics. As far as blaming violence on the words - I don't think so."

Also occupying some of her time are Woodstock the parakeet, Dude the pit bull and two pet scorpions - "I found one at my boyfriend's house and the other I caught so the first one will

have a friend," she said.

Creepy crawley things never bothered her, she said.

"I like everything," Koreny said. "When I was little, I would go out and turn over rocks and collect bugs and lizards."

Her friends and parents are supportive, she said, "no matter what I do."

For now, college will be put on hold while she pursues music. If it comes later, the arts will be her focus.

"I enjoy art too. I had murals all over my walls," she said. "I want to do all the arts, dancing, acting, painting, graphic design and singing."

Koreny's appearances resulted mostly from word-of-mouth - someone hearing about the group and inviting them to play. She recently was featured on local radio.

She will be appearing again at Le Bistro tonight and Saturday evening.

WEDDINGS ENGAGEMENTS

Seay/Coppi

Roy and Sheila Seay of Clovis, and formerly of Ruidoso, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Carrie Ann, to James S. Coppi of New Berry Springs, Calif.

The couple will marry on March 17 at Sacred Heart Church in Clovis, with a reception following at The Landing at Cannon Air Force Base. Coppi is stationed at Cannon with the U. S. Air Force.

He is the son of Donna Coppi of New Berry Springs.

The bride-to-be is the granddaughter of Ernestine and Harold Seay of Capitan. She was born in Ruidoso and attended Ruidoso public schools until about five years ago, her grandmother said.



Carrie Ann Seay and James S. Coppi

Courtesy Bev Kennedy

Kennedy/Linley

A June wedding is planned by Beverly Kennedy, formerly of Arlington, Texas, and Don Linley of Ruidoso, and formerly of Austin, Texas.

The couple will be married at the First Christian Church of Ruidoso on June 16 at 4 p.m., with Dr. Jim Smith presiding at the ceremony.

The couple will reside in Alto.

They became engaged on Jan. 1 at the Monte Carlo Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada.



Beverly Kennedy and Don Linley

Courtesy Bev Kennedy

M
A
R

0
2
2
0
0
1

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Development ad hoc group meeting today

A special meeting of the Ruidoso Economic Development Ad Hoc Committee has been scheduled for this morning at 11:30 a.m. The meeting's agenda includes discussion and possible action on a task force or subcommittees. Similar activity is possible dealing with area economic indicators and committee goals for 2001.

The meeting is scheduled to include the election of a committee chairperson, vice-chairperson and secretary.

The committee meeting will take place at the Cattle Baron Steak and Seafood Restaurant, 657 Sudderth Drive.

Award nominees sought

Nominations opened March 1 for the Public Service Company of New Mexico Entrepreneurial Leadership Award Program.

The second annual awards will honor women- and minority-owned small businesses that often are overlooked in other business awards programs.

The PNM Entrepreneurial Leadership Awards is sponsored in conjunction with the Women's Economic Self-Sufficiency Team (WESST Corp.) nominations.

Nomination categories include Entrepreneur of the Year, Emerging Entrepreneur of the Year, Rural Entrepreneur of the Year, Rising Star Award, Pioneer Award and a Leadership Award.

Individuals may nominate themselves in any of the categories.

Winners will receive a cash award and an engraved plaque to be presented during a luncheon on May 15 at the Albuquerque Hyatt Regency. The event's keynote speaker is scheduled to be Diane Danish, principal of the Target Group and a long-time advocate for small businesses in New Mexico. Scheduled to preside as MC is Cindy Hernandez of KOB-TV.

Nomination forms are available at WESST Corp. offices in Roswell, Albuquerque, Farmington, Santa Fe, Taos and Las Cruces.

Forms can also be requested by phone at (800) GO-WESST. Nominations may also be made online at www.pnm.com/wesst.

Two area Angus breeders recognized for sires

Two area Angus breeders have been recognized by the American Angus Association.

Jerry Williams, Ruidoso, and James and Gwenda McDaniel, Capitan, own bulls listed in the 2001 Spring Sire Evaluation Report published by the St. Joseph, Mo. association.

Issued in both the spring and fall, the new report features the latest performance information available on 4,916 sires.

Internet banking grows

Wells Fargo Bank has launched Wells Wireless — a service that enables consumers and small business customers access to online financial services through wireless connections.

The service is available via Web-ready Sprint PCS phones and Palm VII devices from anywhere in the country.

"Through Wells Wireless we are providing customers anytime, anywhere account access and continuing to demonstrate leadership and innovation by offering a service that is convenient and secure," said Avid Modjtabei, head of consumer Internet services with the Internet Services Group.

Wells Wireless is free of charge to Wells Fargo online banking customers. The wireless customers will have immediate access to services such as account balances and transaction histories.

They will also be able to make transfers between accounts. Customer may also obtain stock quotes as well as trade securities using watch lists and stock alert capabilities.

Future offerings through Wells Wireless will include bill paying and brokerage services.

More details on Wells Wireless can be found at www.wellsfargo.com/wireless.



Electronic filing of state and federal income tax returns has grown tremendously this year. Charles Smelker, owner of the H&R Block office in Ruidoso, prepares to submit a tax return on line.

TAXING TIMES

Electronic filing of federal and state income tax returns has an impact on professional preparers, but the taxpayers benefit with much faster refunds

BY JAMES KALVELAGE
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

New Mexicans are filing their income tax forms electronically in record numbers.

"Electronic filing is very popular," said Charles V. Smelker, owner of the H&R Block tax preparation franchise in Ruidoso. "We're doing our best to move people to electronically file."

The Internal Revenue Service would like to see 90 percent of income tax returns filed by computer in a few years, he said. Already, more than 70 percent of filings are done electronically. He called it "amazing," the number of filers who submit their returns via the Internet.

"The advantages are the speed that (the return) gets into the system, and you can have a refund in two days," Smelker said.

Smelker said addition errors are eliminated with electronic filing. And other mistakes are caught quickly. Within 24 hours, a taxpayer knows whether his return has been accepted by the IRS.

On the state level, the New Mexico

Taxation and Revenue Department reported in a news release Tuesday that the number of state returns filed by mail versus filed electronically has flip-flopped from last year.

As of Tuesday, 87,368 returns had been filed on paper. Another 147,251 had been submitted electronically. Last year at the same time 120,127 returns were on paper and 82,787 were delivered over the Internet.

Smelker said some taxpayers who have their returns prepared at his office still want a paper return filed.

"But right now electronic filing is very important to many," he said. Most getting refunds like the idea of a quick turnaround. Smelker said just as electronic filing has become the norm, so has direct deposit of a refund.

The state tax collecting department is offering several electronic service options, said the agency's Victoria Bransford.

Filing over the department's Web page (www.state.nm.us/tax) is free, easy and automatically calculates a

return. In addition, New Mexicans earning \$25,000 or less and state residents 65 years or older can get free electronic filing assistance at any of the department's district tax offices. Computers are available in state tax offices for public use. New Mexicans filing electronic returns are receiving their refunds in three to five days, Bransford said. Many are delivered from computers at a tax preparer's location.

Smelker defends the use of a professional tax preparer. He said in his more than 15 years with H&R Block the tax code has gotten more complicated.

"We have a lot of experience," Smelker said. "There have been a lot of changes in IRS code. It's knowing what's required for the different situations people have. It's something that requires knowledge and a lot of work."

Smelker, who is IRS-rated as an enrolled agent, summed up his job and the changing methods of income tax filing as "interesting."

"And people are interesting. I like it."

Carrizozo member on the Cattlemen's Beef Board sees a 'scary issue' in disease

Promotion of beef consumption a challenge

BY JAMES KALVELAGE
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A new local member of the national Cattlemen's Beef Board calls mad cow disease a serious issue for the beef industry.

Ann Ferguson, a cow-calf operator from the Carrizozo area, was appointed to the CBB earlier this year. The board has a mission to build demand for beef.

"Of course it would be terrible," Ferguson said, "if the disease were to make its way into the United States. But in the U.S. we have to reassure people that we don't have it. And I think we will not have it. But it is a scary issue."

She said that is one area of attention for the beef board.

Ferguson said the federal government acted wisely in 1987 when it set up regulations to address the disease. She said it is one of several animal diseases the Department of Agriculture is watching closely.

"I'm pleased they've been vigilant on it all," she said. Ferguson added that if mad cow disease were to make its way into the country it would ruin the beef industry.

Ferguson said some of the board's effort will be to assure U.S. consumers

that the beef supply is safe. The board this year has access to \$6.6 million for promoting beef consumption through promotion, consumer information and marketing. The funding is derived from a \$1 "checkoff," paid by producers across the country on a per-animal basis. Ferguson said 50 percent of the checkoff funds raised in New Mexico remain in the state for spending by the New Mexico Beef Council. The other 50 percent goes to the national Cattlemen's Beef Board, a 110-member group to which Ferguson was just appointed. Her term will run for six years.

"It's something I feel very strongly about," Ferguson said. "I think it is very good," she said of the checkoff. With mad cow disease a serious issue in Europe, Ferguson said U.S. research and advertising is even more important to let Americans know that the domestic beef supply is void of the disease.

Looking at past endeavors of the beef board, Ferguson said the checkoff's millions of dollars annually has overcome some of the past negatives that were associated with beef.

"I think it's done a lot of good," she

said. "It really has turned things around. Like with the (American) Heart Association. They now recognize beef as a good source of protein. We're trying to keep the public informed."

While mad cow disease is an issue the board needs to address, Ferguson said there are some big pluses taking place in the industry. She points to the 67 products now being marketed in grocery meat cases as prepared beef.

"I'm really pleased," Ferguson said of the beef products that need only to be heated. "The products don't take any preparation time and they taste good. It's absolutely the way to go because women don't have the time to cook like they used to."

Ferguson said she would like to be appointed to one of two committees attached to the beef board — those dealing with public relations or new products.

She believes she is the first Carrizozo-area beef operator to be appointed to the national group. Her operation, west of Carrizozo, typically involves 500 to 600 head of cattle.

GREAT CUSTOMER SERVICE

Discover the power of now

BY DEBBIE HAINES-INGALLS
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Use these useful insights to remind you that everything changes in the moment you do.

Stop looking outside yourself. Life is only as complete as you are.

Take responsibility for your life experiences. You are every event you meet.

Have your own life. What others think of you is not your concern.

Do what is true in spite of consequences. Your future is only as true as you are.

Face those fearful feelings. Any fear faced is a fear erased.

Jump into the battle. Action is the seed of wisdom.

Laugh in the face of defeat. Defeat is nothing but a bad memory.

Discover the difference between your head and your heart. Real emotions don't

start with thought.

Follow what you love. Contentment follows love as dawn the sun.

Put your life in order. When all else fails, try letting go.

Do what you love and love what you do. This is easy when you get out of your head and get into your heart.

Let's say that people tend to see in themselves what we see in them. The grander our vision, the grander their willingness to access and display the part of them we have already shown them.

— Neale D. Walston

When you reinforce friends, family, employees, coworkers and — yes — yourself (positive self-talk) in a way that makes them want to do better and be better, you have the key to maximum performance at every level of life.

If you need guidance in setting broad lifestyle goals or are looking at important shifts in your life, call me for a complimentary coaching consultation: (505) 258-1102, 1-888-268-1102, or e-mail: coachingforbrilliance.com

M
A
R
C
H
2
0
0
1

Volunteer group schedules projects

Help needed with a variety of outdoor jobs

For those who think spending the weekend working in the wilderness enriches their lives and they enjoy using some muscle, New Mexico Volunteers for the Outdoors have scheduled projects through April.

Volunteers don't have to be members of the organization to participate. Signing up for a project is a good way to find out what the group does.

Four of the projects are:

- March 10-11, Sevilleta National Wildlife Refuge, installing wildlife-friendly fencing and performing light trail maintenance. The weekend will include a tour by refuge management of the western side of the refuge on Sunday seldom seen by visitors.

Room is available for RVs, campers and tents. Restrooms are accessible, as are showers and a full kitchen.

Lodging also is available in refuge facility housing for \$10 per person per night with advance reservations.

Saturday dinner will be provided, but volunteers must supply their other meals.

An extremely limited supply of drinking water is available at the refuge. Bring your own water, work gloves, hat, sunscreen, a daypack and warm clothing for cool evenings.

The deadline to sign up is March 4. Contact project manager Jeff Duray at (505) 858-3374 to sign up and for directions, or call Celia Nobles at (505) 884-1991. Email addresses are jkduray@sprintmail.com and paonia@hotmail.com.

- March 17, Sierra Ladrona under project leaders Curtis and Micky Hogue. The ride to the site will include running up the Rio Salado River and going into an area normally closed to the public.

Volunteers will remove about two miles of barbed wire fence and posts to open up the range to wildlife.

The work is moderately difficult, but the terrain is rugged with extreme slopes.

Bring long-sleeve shirts, long pants, hiking boots, leather gloves, hat and sunscreen.

No facilities will be available. Bring your own lunch

and plenty of water.

The Bureau of Land Management will supply two, four-wheel drive vehicles and tools, but bring your own wire cutters and fence pliers, if you have them.

The deadline to sign up and receive directions is March 14. Contact the Hogue at (505) 348-4186 or email at crhogue@wilsonco.com

- March 24, Three Gun Springs Hawkwatch Trail with project leader Katie Avery. The trail is in the Sandia Ranger District and involves a 1.2 mile trek to the observation site.

The trail needs pruning, retainer wall work, stair fixing and some "redefining."

Cooperating on the project will be Friends of the Forest and Intel.

The project will wind up with some observations and, possibly, a banding demonstration. Bring binoculars, hat, sunscreen, water, lunch and light layers of clothes. The Forest Service will provide tools.

Sign-up deadline is March 21. Call Avery at (505) 345-1081 or email at katebavery@aol.com.

- April 7-8, Baylor Pass Trail under project leaders Jim Scanlon and Susan Beck.

The project will be based at Aguirre Springs in the Organ Mountains outside of Las Cruces.

Volunteers will work on Baylor Pass Trail, named after Lt. Colonel John Baylor whose Confederate forces passed through the area during the Civil War to attack Union troops.

A National Scenic Trail, the pass is six miles long and needs water bar improvements, social trails obliterated and switchbacks repaired.

The group will work with views of White Sands Monument and the Tularosa Basin to the east and the Mesilla Valley to the west.

The BLM will provide Saturday dinner, Sunday breakfast and a guest speaker. Tables and pit toilets are available at the campground, but no showers.

Contact Scanlon at newmexjim@hotmail.com or Beck at (505) 524-6723, email susabeck@lib.nmsu.edu. The deadline to sign up is April 3.

Sherry Taylor, a volunteer with the American Association of Retired Persons, below, ponders a point with Audie Padilla as they fill out Padilla's 2000 income tax return. Volunteers are on hand to help with tax questions and returns from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday and Friday at the Ruidoso Senior Center on Sudderth Drive until April 13. Right, Doris Huskey, a volunteer with the American Association of Retired Persons, helps Henry Racells with his 2000 income tax return.



Dianne Stallings/Ruidoso News

They're the tax volunteers



Real Wood Floors

Beauty that lasts a lifetime.

- Professional Refinish & Repair
- New Installations: solid & engineered
- Custom Floors
- All Work Guaranteed
- References Available

STOUT
HARDWOOD FLOOR CO. INC.

Licensed
Bonded &
Insured

1-888-527-4143

Ruidoso Las Cruces www.stout-hardwood-floors.com

Principal Mortgage Company, Inc.



Tabby Cummings
Loan Officer
Rita Griffin
Loan Officer

1092 Mechem
Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345
Office: (505) 258-2370
Fax: (505) 258-4830
Cellular: (505) 420-9639

QUEST Personnel, INC.

1092 Mechem
258 - 2359

• Now Serving Ruidoso •

Clerical • Industrial • Sales
Temporary and Permanent

Reliable • Responding • Affordable
Tabby Cummings, Mgr.



Crosspoint

Christian Fellowship

A New Church
With A 2000 Year Old Message

For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life. John 3:16

We are a Christ centered, nondenominational, Fellowship of Christians who seek to:

- Share God's love throughout our community
- Worship God with contemporary praise and worship
- Help build strong Christ centered families
- Establish caring relationships through small groups



We are meeting for our worship celebration on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. in the Ruidoso Senior Center at 501 Sudderth Dr. For more information or the location of a home fellowship group near you please contact Pastor Steve and Judy Kreins 258-1492.

Naturally, there's a lot of labor involved.

► Why spend time struggling with the child tax credit yourself? Leave it to the professionals At H&R Block, we understand the tax law changes and the most complex forms. And help get you every penny you deserve.



1404 Sudderth
Ruidoso, NM 88345
505-257-4223

Serving the Investment needs of the community.

- Financial Planning Analysis
- Estate Planning Strategies
- Estate and Trust Services
- Annuities
- Retirement Planning Analysis
- Life Insurance
- Mutual Funds
- Fee Based Portfolio Management
- Corporate Retirement Planning and Cash Management
- \$100,000 minimum



SALOMON SMITH BARNEY
(915) 534-9224 • (800) 756-0077 • 505-336-4281
4503 North Mesa • El Paso, TX 79912

REAL ESTATE UPDATE



BILL STROUD

IMPORTANCE OF COMPARABLES

QUESTION: I understand the most important task in selling a home is deciding on the right sales price. How do you come up with the best price?

ANSWER: This is not done by looking into a crystal ball or consulting with a guru. The most important factor is the price of comparable sales in your immediate area. These are sales which have already been completed of homes as nearly like yours as possible. The sales should also be near in time, for five-year-old sales have almost no meaning in today's volatile financial market. Also, the homes should be similar in style, size, and condition as your property - the closer the better.



THE SALES price of your home must be based on comparable sales in your immediate area.

If you are thinking about selling or buying a home call Bill Stroud, Associate Broker with **COMPASS REALTY, S.D.C. Realtors** 307 Mechem • Ruidoso • Office: (505) 257-5111 • Toll Free: (800) 526-9213 • Email: bstroud@compass.net

TROY STATE UNIVERSITY

Quality Education
One Semester at a Time.

HIGH QUALITY, AFFORDABLE MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAM WITH SCHEDULES TO MEET THE NEEDS OF WORKING ADULTS.

Master's Degrees available in Management, Human Resources Management, and Counseling & Psychology

- Accelerated Program
- Weeknight & Weekend Classes
- Regionally Accredited

PROGRAMS OPEN TO BOTH
NON-MILITARY AS WELL AS MILITARY

596 Fourth St • Holloman AFB, NM 88330
505-757-4119 • www.troystate.edu
www.troystate.edu

If you smoke, here's
**MORE
BAD
NEWS**

Research across North America reveals:

- movie stars do influence smoking by youth
- restaurants don't lose if they prohibit smoking
- the military spends big to train troops who smoke

Teens influenced by movie star smokers

HANOVER, N. H. — Teen smokers are influenced to take up the habit if their favorite movie stars are smokers, suggests research in Tobacco Control.

Teen-agers, aged 10 to 19, were surveyed about their smoking habits and their attitudes to smoking. These were scored on a five-point scale. The teens were also asked to name their favorite movie star. Altogether, 632 students from five rural New England schools took part. Portrayal of on-screen smoking by the 43 selected movie stars between 1994 and 1996 was also assessed.

Teens whose favorite stars smoked in films were more likely to score higher on the five-point scale than teens whose favorite stars did not smoke. And the more a star portrayed smoking, the more favorably the adolescent viewed smoking.

Teens whose favorite stars smoked in two films were 1.5 times more likely to score on the upper end of the scale, while those whose favorite stars smoked in three or more films were three times as likely to do so.

Almost two-thirds of the movie stars used tobacco at least once during the period of the study. And four out of 10 portrayed smoking as an

essential character trait in one or more films. Leonardo DiCaprio, Sharon Stone and John Travolta clocked up the highest number of "smoker" roles, portraying smoking in four films over the period of the study.

Among teens who had never smoked, those who chose stars who smoked in three or more films were 16 times as likely to express favorable opinions about smoking than those who chose "non-smoking" stars. Stars who smoke may therefore encourage teens to try out smoking, suggest the authors.

The authors conclude: "We believe this evidence strongly suggests that media portrayals of tobacco-use by popular movie stars contribute to adolescent smoking."

Contact: Jennifer Tickle, Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences, Dartmouth College, Hanover, N. H.; Sue.Knapp@Dartmouth.edu

about the economic impact of impending legislation regulating employee tobacco use and smoking in restaurants. Altogether 600 firms and 401 restaurants took part.

The proposed legislation required the establishment of designated smoking areas, with direct evacuation of smoke outside the building in all firms and restaurants except bars. The legislation allowed for a complete ban on smoking if the legislation was thought too expensive to implement. Quebec has one of the highest smoking prevalences of any city in North America.

Almost half of the representative sample of firms, numbering 400, and more than two thirds of the large firms, numbering 200, already had a policy regulating smoking in place. More than half of large firms without a policy would opt to impose a smoking ban rather than incur costs for building designated non-smoking areas. Anticipated costs for complying with the law were larger than actual costs, but still represented a minimal fraction of revenue.

Two thirds of restaurant owners did not want to impose a smoking ban in their establishments, but said that they would choose not to provide a smoking section in response to the law. Anticipated costs for compliance were significantly higher than those registered by restaurants who had already done so.

Sixty percent of restaurant owners without a smoking policy expected a fall in revenue, but none of those who had already complied expected this. And 80 percent of those who had already complied to some degree did not expect to see a drop in profits either.

The results show that even in a high smoking prevalence area such as Quebec, a relatively strict law regulating smoking on-the-job and in restaurants is unlikely to have any major negative economic impact on either industry...and that the expectations of non-compliant firms and restaurants are likely to be overstated.

Contact: Dr Pierre-Yves Crémieux, Department of Economics, University of Quebec, Montreal, Canada. E-mail, pcremieux@analysisgroup.com

Smokers cost military over \$130 million a year

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Smokers cost the U.S. military more than \$130 million a year, almost 1 percent of the total annual training budget, shows research in Tobacco Control. Smoking was the single biggest predictor of premature discharge from duty, the study found.

The research team tracked around 29,000

recruits in the U.S. Air Force over 12 months. This section of the military has the lowest prevalence of smoking among its ranks at 28.5 percent, as opposed to the Marines where the prevalence is almost 45 percent.

At the end of 12 months, 14 percent of new recruits had been discharged, for which the single best predictor was smoking. Almost twice as many smokers as non-smokers were discharged prematurely, with almost one in five smokers compared with one in 12 non-smokers discharged in the first year of service.

The average cost to train one recruit in any of the service branches of the U.S. military is \$28,800; the overall cost is an annual \$14 billion.

The Department of Defense estimates that excess training costs for smokers in the Air Force amount to \$18 million a year.

Applied across all the services, this comes to more than \$130 million a year, conclude the authors.

The authors point out that smoking may be part of a constellation of underlying behaviors and attitudes, but suggest that campaigns to help recruits kick the habit might save a lot of money.

Contact: Dr Robert Klesges, Center for Community Health, University of Memphis, Tenn. E-mail, bklesges@memphis.edu

"We believe this evidence strongly suggests that media portrayals of tobacco use by popular movie stars contribute to adolescent smoking."

Jennifer Tickle
Dartmouth researcher

M
A
R
C
H
2
0
0
1

TAKING CARE OF YOUR BUSINESS IS OUR BUSINESS

KAREN PAYTON
Office Manager

CHERIE HOLMES
Circulation Manager

GINA BOOTY
Bookkeeper

CAROLE BENHAM
Public Relations

LINDA WILSON
Classified Account Executive

We've been taking care of your business for years with top qualified professionals like Gina, Karen, Cherie, Carol and Linda. They know Lincoln County and they know your customers.

Ruidoso News.....
Your Best Bet!

RUIDOSO NEWS

P.O. Box 128 • 104 PARK AVE. • RUIDOSO, NEW MEXICO 88355
505/257-4001 • FAX 505/257-7053 • www.ruidosonews.com

ON THE GO WITH HANK AND ELLEN

Cruising on the Road to Mandalay

BY ELLEN AND HANK BARONE
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

It was once said by a British visitor, "The chief beauty of Burma lies in its people. Their clothing is simple, but graceful. Their faces and bodies are lithe and supple, their eyes are alight, their voices warm." Almost 100 years later, this is still true. Outside the main cities, you'll still find people who are unspoiled by tourism, some, in fact, who have never seen a foreigner.



The Barones

The endearing gentleness, warm hospitality and calm demeanor of the Burmese are often credited to their Buddhist heritage. It has been said frequently that Burma (renamed Myanmar in 1989) is the most profoundly Buddhist country in the world. The people of Myanmar live an unhurried, leisurely way of life.

Travelers thinking about a trip to Myanmar should be aware that it is regarded by a large section of the global community as an undesirable travel destination because of the human rights abuses of the Myanmar people by the ruling military junta. Does visiting Myanmar endorse the current regime or, in a small way, reduce the country's isolation from the outside world and restrain the junta's actions?

Does any form of travel between countries encourage positive communication between people and help to broaden everyone's outlook? You must make up your own mind. As for us, we found Myanmar to be one of the most charming, although unsettling, places we have ever visited.

Until recently, this fascinating country has kept itself in isolation from the rest of the world, barely acknowledging the 20th century. As a result, its beauty and charm have remained unspoiled. Myanmar is gradually welcoming visitors. Our reason for coming to Myanmar was to journey aboard the deluxe river cruiser *Road To Mandalay* for a trip down the Ayeyarwady (formerly Irrawaddy) River to the World Heritage Site of Bagan (formerly Pagan).

The *Road to Mandalay* offers a trip with all the amenities of a bygone era. The riverbank life enchanted us as we journeyed between Mandalay and Bagan. Owned by the Eastern & Oriental Express, the ship was a cruiser on the Rhine River between Cologne and Dusseldorf and was brought to Myanmar in 1995. Each cabin provides a view and *en-suite* facilities. There is a spacious dining room and bars, and even a swimming pool! Particular attention was given to decoration and air-conditioning. Performances by traditional Burmese entertainers, including musicians, dancers, gymnasts and puppeteers, were just some of the many attractions of a cruise on the *Road to Mandalay*.

The ship's regularly scheduled ser-

vice includes three- four- or seven-night cruises as part of all-inclusive tours, including flights and visits to Burma's other major sights. Direct flights operate to Yangon (formerly Rangoon and the capital of Myanmar) from Bangkok and Singapore.

While boarding a Myanmar Airways jet to travel from Yangon to Mandalay City, one of our travel companions informed us, with a glint in his eye, that Myanmar Airways has the worst safety record in the world. How inspirational!

But we never had a problem. Myanmar's early cultural and economic history evolved along the Ayeyarwady's banks. Today, the Ayeyarwady provides the cheapest route to float timber, bamboo rafts and glazed pots to markets of the lower region.

The people of Myanmar call this mighty 1,350-mile waterway the "mother of all rivers." A river cruise on the Ayeyarwady made a pleasant and interesting alternative to traveling by road through a region modern civilization has largely bypassed.

An excellent source for information on Burma (Myanmar), as well as other destinations, is *Insight Guide: Burma* published by Langenscheidt Publishers Inc. To book a cruise aboard the *Road to Mandalay*, call 1-800-524-2420.

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

Roofs lead priority list for Fort Stanton group

Funding sought from Legislature for projects

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Repairing the roofs of buildings at historic Fort Stanton ranks as a top priority for Dick Weber and the Fort Stanton Inc. group, he heads.

He spent the past week enlisting support from local business owners to urge State Sen. Pete Campos to put his influence behind that capital outlay item, Weber said.

Campos, a Democrat from Las Vegas, and State Sen. Tim Jennings, D-Roswell, introduced separate capital outlay requests of \$1 million each to rehabilitate some of the buildings at the fort, the parade grounds and the stables.

But Weber said roof repair is needed immediately to stop more damage to the buildings.

"Everything else is premature right now," he said. "When the study is finished by Kells & Craig we can see what they recommend. If they say equestrian use is good, that's great."

"They we can go to the state Legislature next year with the study in hand and ask for specific projects."

The Kells firm was hired by the state General Services Department and will send the study there when it is finished, but it also will be public infor-

mation, he said.

"As I understand it, they will not recommend 'the highest and best use,' they will recommend several possible uses, listing the pros and cons, and several possible ownership scenarios," Weber said.

Weber's group is part of a partnership that operates a small museum at the 1855 fort. Partners include the Roswell office of the Bureau of Land Management, the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce, the Mescalero Apache Tribe and, most recently, the Save Fort Stanton group.

That latest addition to the partnership is focusing on restoring the stables and parade ground, pointing to two national groups that would like to stage trail rides at the fort, which is located 15 miles northeast of Ruidoso.

Members of Save Fort Stanton bring national attention to the fort, as well as draw money into the community for lodging, restaurants and other businesses.

The organization emphasizes historic preservation with the goal of converting the fort into a living museum with demonstrations and enactments.

Babies show 'perfect pitch,' but soon lose the ability

SAN FRANCISCO - The ability to identify a note on the musical scale without a single reference point - known as absolute or perfect pitch - is a rarity even among musicians, but new studies with infants suggest that everyone may begin life with this remarkable talent.

Psychologist Jenny Saffran, director of the Infant Learning Laboratory at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, has discov-

ered this latest evidence of the complex architecture babies use to acquire knowledge. The work provides another example of how infants and adults hear and process sounds in fundamentally different ways.

In past studies, Saffran has demonstrated that infants use statistical learning, or the practice of detecting consistent patterns in sounds, as a foundation for learning language. For example, statistical learning

helps babies define where individual words begin and end in a spoken sentence.

As in language, Saffran is now showing that infants apply these same talents as "little statisticians" to understanding music. In a test for infants and adults, Saffran devised a way to measure whether subjects show a preference for absolute or relative pitch in recognizing different tunes. Relative pitch, unlike absolute pitch, relies on tracking

intervals between notes.

Adults in her test performed well on measures of relative pitch and poorly on absolute pitch. But the infants showed exactly the opposite pattern, excelling at absolute pitch but unable to recognize changes in relative pitch.

"We certainly know that infants are not blank slates, and that they enter the world with a structure or hard-wiring that helps them learn," she said.

Water newsletter available

The first issue of "New Mexico Earth Matters," a semi-annual newsletter distributed free to New Mexicans interested in the state's water, landscapes and earth resources, recently was published by the New Mexico Bureau of Mines and Mineral Resources in Socorro.

The issue deals primarily with an overview of the state's water resources.

A featured article, "Water in the Desert," by Peggy S. Johnson, a hydrogeologist, pro-

vides a comprehensive but succinct report on the state's climate variabilities, rivers, aquifers and development with specific focus on their direct effect on available water resources.

For more information about the periodical or any other bureau publications, write to the Bureau Publications Office, New Mexico Tech, 801 Leroy Place, Socorro, NM 87801, or call (505) 835-5410, or visit the Web site, <http://geoinfo.nmt.edu>.

DUE TO TREMENDOUS RESPONSE WILD WILD WEST FURNITURE

WILL BE OPEN WEDNESDAY-SUNDAY TO SERVE YOU BETTER DURING OUR GOING OUT OF BUSINESS SALE

Don't Miss Out On A Chance to Buy Furniture at Invoice

Prices With Inventory Depleting Quickly!

Sale Will Last Till Everything's Gone!

NEW MATTRESS SETS
AT
INCREDIBLE PRICES
STARTING AT
TWIN \$149 FULL \$149
QUEEN \$199 KING \$299

GOOD SELECTION
OF LEATHER
AND
RECLINERS

7 PIECES
\$899
SOFA, LOVESEAT, COFFEE TABLE, 2 END TABLES, 2 LAMPS

SOUTHWEST
SOFA & LOVESEAT
\$699
2 TO CHOOSE FROM

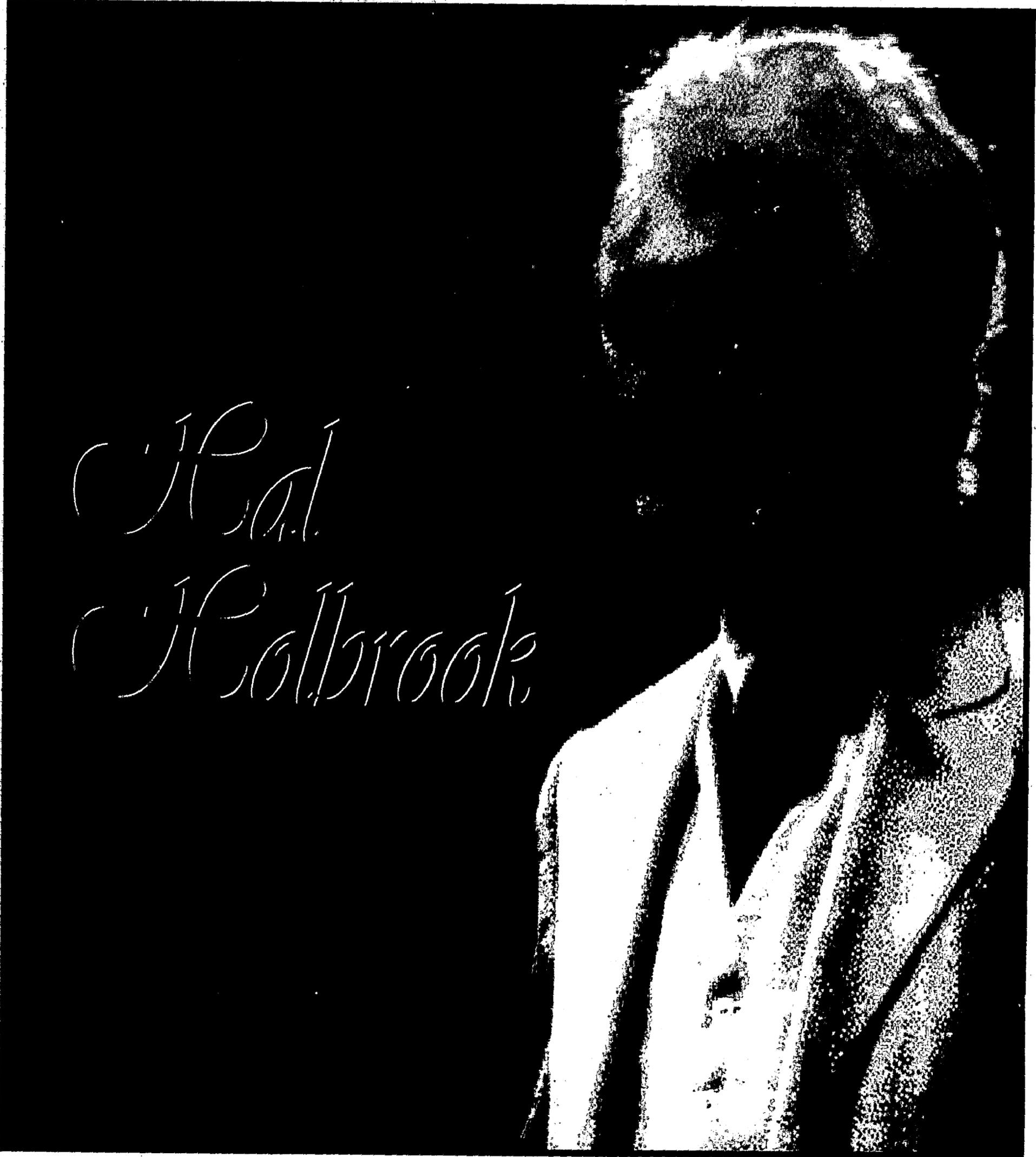
1715 Sudderth, RUIDOSO • 505/257-4410
NEXT TO SHOWTIME VIDEO

VAMONOS!

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT IN LINCOLN COUNTY



**Alice
Warder
Seely's
jewelry**
page 6D



*Neal
Calbrook*

Artist's Bulletin Board

BOOK ART WORKSHOPS will be offered at Fruit of the Tree, Highway 380, mile marker 95.9, in Lincoln. Instructor Mita Saldana is a bookbinder, boxmaker, silversmith and owner of Against the Grain Center for Book Arts in Albuquerque. She exhibits her books and jewelry in the Albuquerque and Chicago areas and has taught in many places in New Mexico.

Long Stitch Book workshop will be 1-4 p.m., Saturday, March 17, \$30 plus tax. Learn to make a book with multiple signatures sewn directly through the cover, creating a pattern of colored thread across the outside of the spine, a good travel journal.

Clamshell or Drop-spine or Solander Box workshop will be 1-5 p.m., Sunday, March 18, \$40 plus tax. This is a box that looks like a book when closed. When open, it lays flat and has two trays suitable for photo displays, protecting antique plates or books, etc.

To register, contact Beverly Wilson at (505) 653-4699. Payment needs to be received by March 8. Refunds will be paid until March 10.

TWO LOCAL ARTISTS will open an artist co-op 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 co-op 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.

Fax notices to Sandy at 257-7053, mail to Ruidoso News, P.O. Box 128, Ruidoso, NM 88355 or e-mail to ruidosonews@zianet.com.

GET THE ART BUG!



Holy Ground:
A Celebration
Of
Celtic Christian Spirituality

March 16-18, 2001
At

Sacramento Methodist Assembly

A weekend of fellowship in the
Celtic tradition, through Scripture,
story, song and dance

Dr. Deborah K. Cronin
Keynote Speaker & Facilitator
Author of Holy Ground: Christian Celtic
Spirituality, from Upper Room Books.

Event Host: Rev. Martha (Marty) Singleterry
Musicians: The Two Roses - Donese Mayfield
and Bonnie Dils, Harpist & Flutist

Sacramento Methodist Assembly
P.O. Box 8
Sacramento, NM 88347
Phone (505) 687-3414 (800) 667-3414
Fax (505) 687-3784

ON THE COVER



Courtesy

HAL HOLBROOK TALKS about his life as an actor and his life with Mark Twain on PAGE 3D.

further inside

- ▼ Going Out
 - Hal Holbrook's Mark Twain: Extraordinary! 3D
 - What's Happening 5D
- ▼ The Arts
 - Urban Fetishes 6D
 - Bellas Artes 8D
- ▼ Funny Bone
 - Grammar tends to slip after drinking a giraffe 9D
- ▼ Past Tense
 - The Wilcox train robbery, Part 2 10D

¡vamos! staff



Sandy Suggitt
¡vamos! editor



Cindy Taylor
production mgr.



Dianne Stallings
staff writer



Everett Thompson
¡vamos! intern

¡Vamos!, the arts and entertainment magazine of Lincoln County, is published every Friday by the Ruidoso News. Literary submissions are welcomed. Submit for consideration to Sandy Suggitt, ¡Vamos! editor, P.O. Box 128, Ruidoso, NM 88355, or call 505.257.4001.



Hal Holbrook's Mark Twain: Extraordinary!

by Sandy Suggitt
VAMONOSI EDITOR

Hal Holbrook was only 23 when he started out portraying Mark Twain on his lecture circuit in 1948, and had to use his acting skills and heavy makeup to portray a much older man. Now he's a year older than Twain was when he died at age 75, so he uses less makeup and, as he put it, he "plays young."

"Actually, I think it's had a very good effect being at this age, whether I'm a little older than him or a little younger," Holbrook said. "You know, you just can't get older without getting just a little bit wiser. It's really quite impossible, no matter how dumb you are to start with ... to remain totally stupid by the time you're 70 years old because you've seen so much, even a moron can collect a lot of information."

Holbrook is no moron, and confabulating with him about his life and his almost intimate knowledge of Mark Twain gives the listener the eerie sensation of being in contact with that irascible and keen observer of human folly, Samuel Clemens.

"You see the different decades and passages that've gone by in your life and you see how people behaved 50 years ago, and 60 years ago and 20 years ago and now, and you draw certain conclusions out of it and some of it you like and some of it you don't like at all. All that has contributed to my choice of material from Twain and what I try to get over with it, the points I try to make, the issues that I try to hit on ... and I think that is very definitely tied into my age.

"I've always been interested in what's going on in the world around me, because I'm an actor and I watch people and how they behave and how I behave," he said. Later, sounding even more like Mark Twain, he complains that there's no respect for real discipline and hard work and that this country has become filled with "spoiled people, all of them too rich."

Born in Cleveland in 1925, Holbrook

was raised in South Weymouth, Massachusetts, where his people had settled in 1634 — a fact that Holbrook now looks on with pride. He attended one of the finer New England schools at the age of 7 and attended high school at Culver Military Academy.

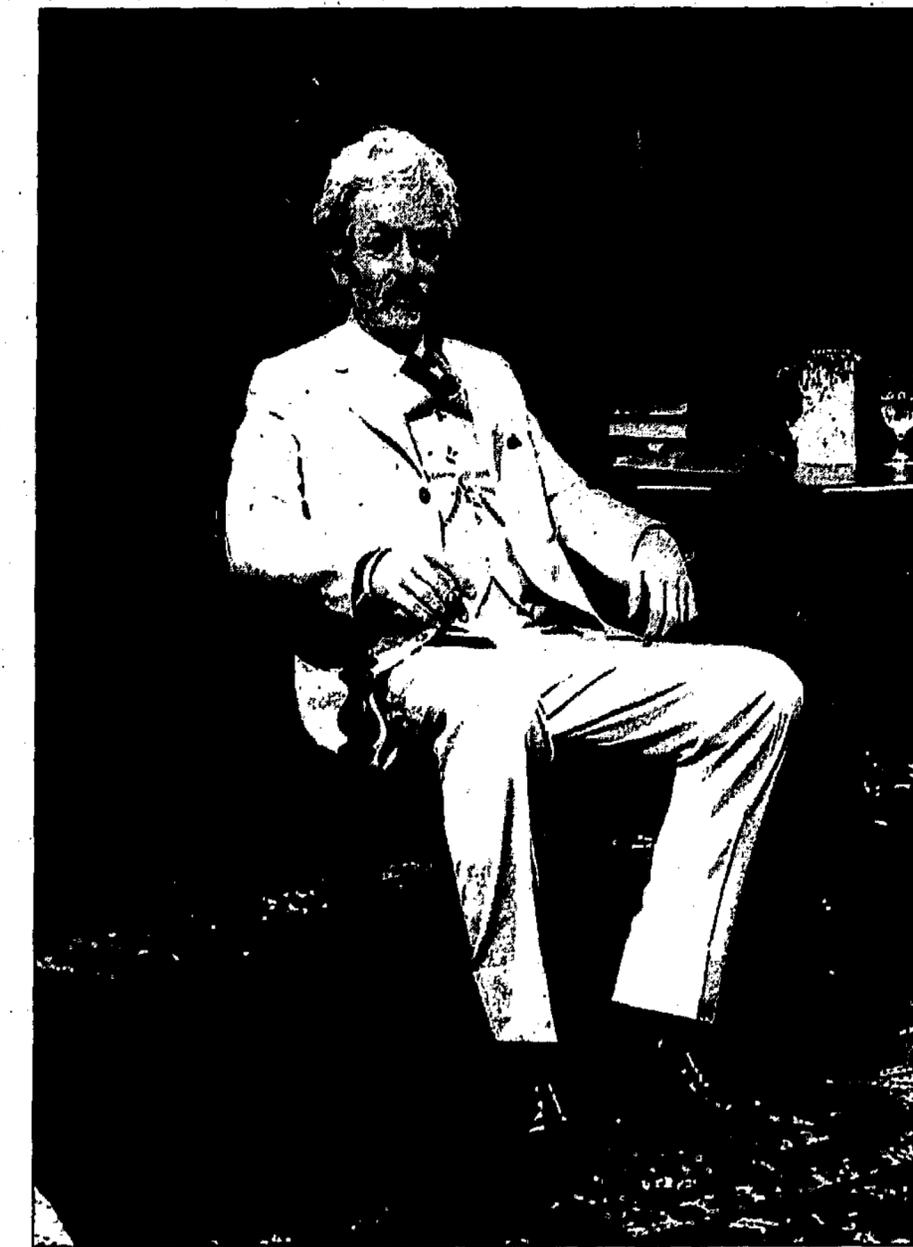
It was at Culver Military Academy that Holbrook accidentally stumbled on what would become his lifetime career — the theater.

"I got on stage in my last year of high school by accident; it was the last thing in the world I ever thought of doing or wanted to do," he said. He needed an extra hour of credit to graduate because he'd flunked algebra and he was desperate. A friend of his in the dramatics class suggested he take that class because there wasn't any homework.

"I said that would be sensational but I'd have to get on the stage and I wouldn't want to do that. Also, and I didn't tell him, but everyone in the dramatics class we all thought of as weirdos. ... I was very reluctant, but had no choice, so I ended up joining the dramatics class."

The first surprise for Holbrook was that the weird dramatics students were more interesting and had more going on in their heads than most of the other students in the school. The second revelation came the first time he walked down the stage after a performance.

"It was like somebody'd put an electrical current through me. I had this extraordinary feeling," he said. "I think it had to do with the fact that for the first time in my life, everybody was listening to me, and I



Courtesy

HAL HOLBROOK IN 'MARK TWAIN TONIGHT!' Holbrook will perform at the Spencer Theater, at 8 p.m. on March 10. Tickets (\$48 & \$50) are wait-list only. Call (505) 336-4800 or (888) 818-7872 for ticket information.

guess that was very important to me."

He walked offstage in the dark, breathing heavily and the wife of one of the instructors, who'd been in vaudeville and the theater, looked at him said, "Well, sonny, you're hooked." She was right," Holbrook said.

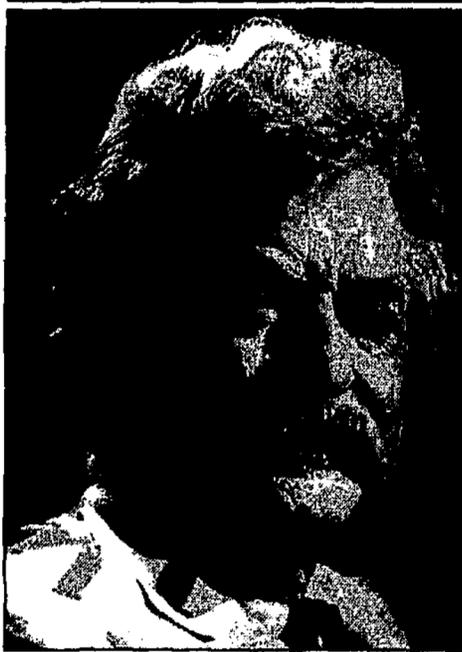
The following summer, he played the son in "The Man Who Came to Dinner" at the Cain Park Theatre in Cleveland for \$15

a week, and in the fall entered Denison University in Ohio, majoring in theater. College was interrupted by World War II, but when he returned, he and his first wife, Ruby, put together a two-person show playing characters from Shakespeare to Mark Twain.

That and having to make a living, Holbrook said, was what stimulated his interest in Huckleberry Finn's creator.

see Hal Holbrook's Mark Twain: Extraordinary! on 4D

Hal Holbrook's Mark Twain: Extraordinary!



HAL HOLBROOK AS MARK TWAIN

continued from page 3D

"It was a process of elimination, you might say. My first wife and I started our last year in college and we got a job offer through the theater department to tour school assemblies in the Southwest for 30 weeks: Texas, Oklahoma, a little bit in New Mexico, Louisiana, Arkansas and southern Missouri, back in 1948."

The couple performed two or three shows a day in different towns in school auditoriums and gyms to audiences of children who'd never seen any theater before.

"We had this Mark Twain sketch that was a burlesque of what you and I are doing now, called 'An Encounter with an Interviewer,'" Holbrook said. "We ended up putting it at the end of the show because that was the one thing they would sit still for because it was funny, so we got off with our life with Mark Twain at the end of the show."

The Holbrooks got out of the school circuit after the first year, and continued touring with their show for another four years, playing bigger dates and developing their reputation. Then they started having a family and moved to New York, and once again Holbrook needed to find a way to make a living. Instead of driving a cab or selling hats, he developed a solo show and had no trouble getting booked because of the reputation he and Ruby had built.

"That's how I started out. I started reading more seriously, finding out who he really was, started reading things like *Huckleberry Finn* all over again, ... and other things," Holbrook said.

His first solo performance was

at the Lock Haven State Teachers College in Pennsylvania in 1954, and the same year he took on a role in a television soap opera, "The Brighter Day," and played Mark Twain at a Greenwich Village night club at night.

The next momentous event of the actor's career was a booking in North Little Rock in 1956, about two weeks after the Civil Rights riots there. He responded by looking at Mark Twain's social writings and the message of *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* about racism.

"It was like a gold mine to me. I suddenly was directed toward all this extraordinary writing of Twain about our country and the ills of this country and other countries and civilization. He lived through a time that was rich with fodder for social commentary.

"When you stop to think of it, of the similarities between the last half of the last century and the last half of this century, especially the last 40 years of each one of these centuries, the similarities in many ways are extraordinary."

Both periods started out with a major war, Holbrook pointed out (the Civil War and World War II); both were marked by tremendous industrial achievement after the wars; and both periods were marked by miraculous inventions and innovations.

"We think we have come up with some pretty extraordinary things in this last half century, like television, supersonic air flight, going to the moon, the Internet and medical advances, but then if you go back 140 or so years to start to think about being in a country where they've just connected railroads from coast to coast ..., you start talking about the steamship to cross the ocean; the electric light, which I suppose you might consider as being an invention that has affected the civilization of man in more ways than almost any other invention except the wheel.

"Nobody thinks about that," Holbrook said. "They think the Internet is such a phenomenal thing. How about the electric light? And then the telephone and telegraph, the X-ray, ... the automobile and the airplane and the motion pictures."

Many reviewers of Holbrook's

performances comment on how contemporary Mark Twain's commentaries are, but that impression is due as much to Holbrook's extensive research, adept selection of material and his savoir-faire as an actor as it is to Twain's prescience. The result, for many, is that Mark Twain stands before them pontificating on the peccadilloes of today's public figures — in the form of Hal Holbrook.

In the late 1950s, Ed Sullivan saw him perform as Mark Twain and Holbrook performed on his national television show. Then he opened at a small off-Broadway theater in New York in 1959 — and his astonishing success astonished Holbrook most of all. The *New Yorker* claimed his performance was "a dazzling display of virtuosity." The *New York Times* said "Mr. Holbrook's material is uproarious, his ability to hold an audience by acting is brilliant."

He quit the soap opera and, as Mark Twain, made a 22-week run in New York, followed by a tour of the country, performing for President Dwight Eisenhower, at the Edinburgh Festival and on a tour of Europe for the State Department, where he was the first American dramatist to perform behind the Iron Curtain since World War II.

Movie producer David Merrick invited him to co-star as an 80-year-old Mexican bandit in a new Broadway musical — and Holbrook said no.

"I had this most unexpected success with Mark Twain," he said. "I opened at a little theater that didn't even seat 200 people. Nobody knew who I was, they'd never heard of me. ... And I had an overnight success that totally shocked everybody, including me most of all. I'd been doing the thing five years, nobody every raved about it. They said nice things but they didn't rave about it."

Then the publicity started, with rave reviews in the *New York Times*, the *The New York Tribune*, *The Daily News*, the *Post*, the *Journal America*, *Time Magazine* and *Newsweek*.

"It was scary," Holbrook said. "Like people were saying, 'Who the hell is this? Where the hell did he come from?' And I'd made this extraordinary success with this character of Twain, and I was

playing an old man and I was only 34 years old. I wanted to have a life as an actor and I was scared. The last thing I wanted to do was play another old man.

"So when the agent called and offered me the part of a 80-year-old bandit, I said, 'I don't want to play another old man. That's just not a good idea.' What I need to do is go off and be seen as my own age."

Merrick called Holbrook on the phone to ask him if he was nuts, turning down a co-starring role. Holbrook reckoned he wasn't nuts, and "I said I just think it's a bad idea to play another old man."

So he performed Shakespeare at Stratford, Connecticut, Abe Lincoln off-Broadway and with the Lincoln Center Repertory Company in New York — and he began getting leading roles on Broadway: "The Glass Menagerie," "Man of La Mancha" and "Does a Tiger Wear a Necktie?" while continuing his Mark Twain performances.

In 1966 he won a Tony Award, a Drama Critic's Circle Award and a 90-minute television special of "Mark Twain Tonight!" was nominated for an Emmy. Between then and 1988, he was nominated 11 more times, and in 1971 he won his first of five Emmies for outstanding performance by a lead actor in the television series "The Senator."

Since then, Holbrook has performed in more than 32 movies, 50 television movies and mini-series. His first movie was "The Group" in 1966, and some of the others include "All the President's Men," "Julia," "Star Chamber," "Eye of God," "The Firm," "The Bachelor," "Waking the Dead" and "Navy Diver."

In 1985, he and Mark Twain celebrated the 150th anniversary of Mark Twain's birth with a world tour, and he continued to perform to the stage in New York and at regional theaters, including a

national tour of "Death of a Salesman."

He counts among his finest performances those in "King Lear," especially the production at the Globe Theatre, the "Merchant of Venice" at the Shakespeare Theatre and "The Death of a Salesman," all done in the past 10 years.

To date, Holbrook has performed "Mark Twain Tonight!" almost 2000 times, adding to and changing his material to suit the times. He has no set program for his performances and chooses his material as he goes along from a wide variety of Twain's writings, including those published posthumously.

Like Mark Twain, Holbrook was awarded several honorary doctoral degrees for his work, and in 1998, the Mark Twain Circle of America (University of Texas in Austin) honored him with a lifetime achievement award "in recognition of his unique accomplishments both as a performer and as a scholar." The president of the Mark Twain Circle, Shelley Fisher Fishkin, Ph.D., presented the award to him with these words:

"... Holbrook's daunting command of hours upon hours of Twain material has allowed him to draw on new combinations of texts in each performance, making Twain topical as well as timeless in often uncanny ways. His painstaking research, his enormous respect for Twain's words, and his carefully-crafted delivery have earned him the gratitude of Twain scholars everywhere. His Mark Twain is fresh and accurate and hilarious and caustic and inimitable. Hal Holbrook's meticulous, thoughtful, imaginative, deeply engaged and engaging interpretations of Twain's words over a forty-year period before thousands of people have given Twain the one thing he could not give himself: a vitality beyond the grave ..."

"You choose a piece of material and how you put it next to something else or you leave out the name of a president or a war or a specific event, you leave it out and the audience, because of the extraordinary timeliness of the commentary, the audience can fill in for themselves and they automatically almost do, what just happened." (Hal Holbrook)

The level of honor is sinking pretty low, everywhere I think among individuals it has practically disappeared from government. If there is a square true honest man in politics, he occupies a mighty lonely position. The servants of the government ought to be, for simple decency's sake, among the last to break the law: I suppose an honest man shines more in politics than he would elsewhere, but shouldn't a senator tell the truth? Or a president — shouldn't he set a high example? Is keeping one's word so extraordinary a thing when the person achieving this feat is the first citizen of a civilized nation? I should be unfaithful to my citizenship if I did not feel something of a pang to see the law of the land coolly ignored and degraded by one of the highest officers of the government. (Mark Twain)

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

Friday, March 2

Rick at the Flick
7:30 p.m., Country music star Rick Trevino will perform at the Fiddinger Center for Performing Arts in Alamogordo. Tickets are \$22 for adults and \$16 for children. Call the Fiddinger Center at (505) 437-2202 and reserve tickets or come by 1110 New York Avenue to purchase them.

Saturday, March 3

"Manon" on FM radio
"Manon" by Massenet will be broadcast in Ruidoso from 11:30 a.m. to 2:50 p.m. on KENW, 91.3, with Julius Rudel conducting. The cast includes Ruth Ann Swenson (manon), Giuseppe Sabbatini (Des Grieux), Roberto de Candia (Lescaut), Paul Pishka (Count Des Grieux). The passionate and willful Manon, torn between her desire for a life of luxury and her love for the young nobleman Des Grieux ends up with neither dying a tragic death.

"Rick Trevino at Macey Center"
7:30 p.m., Country star Rick Trevino will perform at New Mexico Tech's Macey Center in Socorro. Tickets are \$20 for adults, seniors and youth; \$15 for New Mexico Tech students. Call (505) 835-5688 for more information, and to purchase tickets.

El Paso square Dancers prepare for Spring Festival

The Southwest Area Square and Round Dancers Association of El Paso will hold its 53rd annual spring festival at St. Andrew Presbyterian Church at 2155 Wedge on the east side. The Friday evening program begins with pre-rounds at 7 p.m. and square dancing at 7:30 p.m. with alternating square and round dances until 10 p.m. The election of officers for the coming year will also be held Friday evening. A silent auction of member treasure will be held Saturday evening. For further information, call Jonny or Bobby Kopecky at (915) 821-1933.

The American scene: Prints from the Permanent Collection

The prints of artists such as Thomas Hart Benton and Grant Wood defined the American scene of the 1930s and 40s. This exhibition, comprised of works from the museum's extensive holdings of American realist prints, explores how artists pictured everyday life in different regions of the U.S. in the first half of the 20th century. The museum is closed Monday and holidays, open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 12 noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is free on Sunday, \$1 for adults, 50 cents for students and children. For more information, call the El Paso Museum of Art at (915) 532-1701.

Sunday, March 4

The principle of bio-dynamic gardening
2-4 p.m. at the house of Shirley Meyer, 802 Deer Park Drive, Alto. Marie Nord, from Albuquerque, will give a speech on the principle of bio-dynamic gardening. For more information, call (505) 336-1154 or (505) 336-8242.

Monday, March 5

Community Built Playground
7 p.m. meeting at the Ruidoso Convention Center: The Community Built Playground Committee seeks dependable, capable, energetic and imaginative adults, as volunteer coordinators in various subcommittees.

Picobius at Popajay Hill
7:30 p.m. performance in Albuquerque. Dancers generate intricate geometric patterns, organic structures, mimetic scenes and virtual worlds.

Tickets are \$12, \$22, \$24 available from tickets.com or by calling (800) 905-3315, online at www.tickets.com or by visiting any tickets.com outlet.

Tuesday, March 6

After-school Tuesdays

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

Wednesday, March 7

ENMU Graphic Arts and Ciso Networking open house

4-6:30 p.m. open house at Ruidoso High School for the ENMU Graphic Arts and Ciso Networking programs. Call Jim Miller at (505) 257-2120 or Karen Reader at (505) 258-4910.

AARP free tax assistance

1-4 p.m. the AARP free tax assistance program for seniors and middle and low income individuals at the Carrizozo Senior Center.

Ruidoso Book Review and Discussion Group

10 a.m. at the First Christian Church, 1211 Hill Road. Pat Walls will review *Mutant Message Down Under* by Mario Morgan, a message from the aborigines of the outback. Everyone is invited to attend.

Pre-school Storytime

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

Thursday, March 8

After-school movie

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

Ongoing

Indian Arts and Culture Master Classes

The Museum of Indian Arts & Culture in Santa Fe initiates a series of master classes exploring topics in Native American art and the archeology of the Southwest. The Insights series consists of two, three-part programs that promise to dig deep into cultural history and art interpretation, shedding new light on the living traditions of the Southwest's Native people. Conducted by Paul Zolbrod and Tim Maxwell, the afternoon workshops will explore both historical and current issues. 3-5 p.m. Thursday afternoons with Zolbrod March 15 and 29; 4-6 p.m., Wednesday afternoons with Maxwell, March 28, April 4 and 11. The cost of the three-part master classes is \$50 per person and \$45 per person for museum of New Mexico Foundation members. The master classes are held at the Museum of Indian Arts and Culture, 710 Camino Lejo, off Old Santa Fe Trail, Santa Fe. Call (505) 476-1271 for registration and more information.

Cyber Arts

Cyber Arts opens in the Contemporary Changing Gallery, a component of the Hispanic Heritage Wing at the Museum of International Folk Art in Santa Fe through October 28. Focusing on the computer-inspired art by Hispanic, Latina and Chicana artists who combine "folk" elements with state-of-the-art technology to create a new aesthetic for the 21st century, the exhibition promises to be a virtual extravaganza highlighting this recent movement in contemporary art. Museum admission is \$5 for adults; \$1 on Sundays for New Mexico residents with I.D.; free for ages 16 and younger. The Museum of International Folk Art is located on Camino Lejo off Old Santa Fe trail, Santa Fe. For more information contact Dr. Toy Marianna Nunn at (505) 476-1219 or Jennifer Marshall at (505) 476-5001.

Sacred Places Exhibit

Open through May 27 at the Museum of Indian Arts and Culture on Camino Lejo, off Old Santa Fe Trail, Santa Fe. The exhibition of stunning photographs and moving statements tells the story of

the irreplaceable large temples and small shrines built by Native people during the period of Hawaiian sovereignty. Tickets are \$1 on Sundays for New Mexico residents with I.D., \$5 for adults, no charge for 16 years of age and younger. For more information contact Duane Anderson at (505) 476-1251 or Jennifer Marshall at (505) 476-5001.

Open Studio Drawing Workshop

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

Solimax and Wolves IMAX Films

Showing at the Alamogordo Space Center through April 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.

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.

Captain 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.

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 March Exhibit of the Month at the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce.

Roundup El Paso Museum of Art Exhibit

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

The Mexican

Action/Adventure, Comedy and Romance.

Rated R for violence and language.

Starring: Brad Pitt, Julia Roberts, James Gandolfini, Bob Balaban, J.K. Simmons.

Directed by Gore Verbinski. Produced by John Bakdash and Lawrence Bender.



Courtesy

JULIA ROBERTS and James Gandolfini in Dreamworks' "The Mexican."

Written by J.H. Wyman.

Distributor: Dreamworks SKG

Synopsis: Jerry Welbach, a reluctant bagman, has been given two ultimatums: The first is from his mob boss to travel to Mexico and retrieve a priceless antique pistol, known as "the Mexican" ... or suffer the consequences. The second is from his girlfriend Samantha to end his association with the mob. Jerry figures alive and in trouble with Samantha is better than the more permanent alternative, so he heads south of the border. Finding the pistol proves easy. Getting it home is another matter. The pistol supposedly carries a legendary curse — a legend Jerry is given every reason to believe ... especially when Samantha is taken hostage by a hit man to ensure the safe return of the pistol. Showtimes: *1:45 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 7 p.m., *9:20 p.m.

Snatch

Art/Foreign and Thriller.

Rated R for strong violence, language and nudity. Starring: Benicio del Toro, Dennis Farina, Brad Pitt, Jason Flemyng, Vinnie Jones. Directed by Guy Ritchie. Produced by Matthew Vaughn and Guy Ritchie. Written by Guy Ritchie.

Distributor: Screen Gems

Synopsis: In "Snatch," a botched diamond heist leads to a wild and tangled adventure involving gangsters, boxers and a detailed look at the London underground. A stylized work with a gritty urban soundtrack and a cast of intricately developed characters, this film is a welcome follow-up to director Guy Ritchie's earlier "Lock, Stock, and Two Smoking Barrels." Showtimes: *2 p.m., 5 p.m., 7:15 p.m., *9:30 p.m.

Save The Last Dance

Romance.

Rated PG-13 for violence, sexual content, language and brief drug references.

Starring: Julia Stiles, Sean Patrick Thomas, Bianca Lawson, Fredro Starr, Kerry Washington.

Directed by Thomas Carter.

Produced by David Madden and Robert W. Cort. Written by Cheryl Edwards, Duane Adler and Tori Ann Johnson.

Distributor: Paramount Pictures

Synopsis: With her dreams of becoming a professional ballerina derailed by the accidental death of her mother, Sara Johnson (Stiles) is forced to move from her quiet Midwestern town to her father's ghetto apartment on the south side of Chicago. The stark urban environment's contrast of race and class compound Sara's loss and her misplaced guilt, which are both exacerbated by the fact that her mother had been en route to her dance performance at the time of her death. But when she meets Derek (Sean Patrick Thomas), a popular black student with a passion for hip hop and a future brighter than his troubled past, her repressed ambition and sorrow are released through a revitalized interest in the cathartic and expressive power of dance. Their friendship and mutual interest in dancing inexorably lead to a passionate romance.

that raises the sadly typical, bigoted resistance from Sara's white father and Derek's black friends. Widely hailed by critics for being as sophisticated and intelligent as it is viscerally passionate, "Save The Last Dance" enjoyed the top of the American box office in its first weekend in release, playing to sold-out shows across the country, a landslide affirmation that Sara and Derek are not as alone as they think. Showtimes: *1:30 p.m. and 6:45 p.m.

Hannibal

Thriller and Drama.

Rated R for strong gruesome violence, some nudity and language.

Starring: Anthony Hopkins, Julianne Moore, Francesca Neri, Giancarlo Giannini, Ray Liotta.

Directed by Ridley Scott.

Produced by Dino De Laurentis, Edward Saxon, Martha De Laurentis and Ridley Scott.

Written by David Mamet and Steven Zaillian. Distributor: Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer

Synopsis: Hannibal is set in Florence, Italy, a decade after the events of "Silence of the Lambs," in which psychopath Hannibal Lecter (Anthony Hopkins) was interviewed by FBI agent Clarice Starling (originally played by Jodie Foster) while in the custody of a maximum-security prison. Then he escaped. Hannibal picks up where that film left off — with the deranged Lecter now free as a bird in Italy, and Starling still on his trail. A terrifyingly horrific story based on the novel by Thomas Harris, the film takes viewers on a sickening journey through Lecter's violent, cannibalistic mind. Showtimes: 4 p.m. and *9 p.m.

* Friday and Saturday Only

Music

Creo Mandos Country Club

Live music every night piano from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., dancing Wednesday through Saturday, 7 p.m.-11 p.m.

Hollywood Inn and Casino

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

Le Metro

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

Screaming Eagle Lounge

Open Mon-Sat. In the Enchantment Inn. Live music with Talisman Band Wednesday through Saturday. Call 378-4051 for information.

The Quarters

Live rock and roll music through Sunday. Karaoke on Mondays and Tuesdays at 2535 Sudderth Drive.

Times Square Deli/Books 'N' Beans

Classical Guitarist Tomas Vigil performs Fridays 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Win, Place & Show

Live music by Wild Card from 8:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. at 2516 Sudderth Drive. Ladies Night is Monday.



The Arts

Urban Fetishes

Story by
Dianne Stallings
¡VÁMONOS! WRITER



SEELY IS SHOWN ABOVE with one of her six cats outside her home in Hondo.

She charges from room to room, checking on production, sitting briefly to work on one of her dozens jewelry projects, jotting down new ideas and occasionally, scooping up one of her six cats for a big hug.

Alice Warder Seely, a creative dynamo with unstoppable energy, already had achieved success in her painting and sculpture and pewter jewelry line when she moved to Hondo Valley eight years ago with life partner David Hall. But unlike many artists who think they want a more rural lifestyle and then decide after a few years they were wrong, Seely still enthuses over her home and property.

Her business has expanded in the last few years from one employee to five. She added a wing to her home for a production center to cast and polish the pewter and assemble pieces, and bought some nearby structures and now has a photography studio. Last year, her business sold about 75,000 pins.

Under the banner of her 25-year-old company, Urban Fetishes Inc., Seely's pewter jewelry depicting petroglyphs, animals, patterns, life changes and relationships, is sold in more than 500 stores and galleries across the country.



Dianne Stallings

One of her latest lines focuses on menopause and each pin is accompanied by a verse by Seely about the force of that physical change on women. A booklet she put together as a catalog became so popular with customers she sold 4,000 copies in eight months.

Her own physical and mental transition inspired the menopause line, Seely said.

"My mother said when she walked in front of the mirror, she didn't recognize herself," Seely said. "I told her not to worry, that when I walk in front of a mirror, I recognize her."

While at a trade show in San Antonio, Texas, Seely was "talking 90 miles an hour and throwing in funny things and I realized that everything I was thinking about at the time had to do with what was happening to me," she said. "I told David I ought to have a menopause line and he said 'You're right.'"

"It's not unlike puberty - a very emotional time," Seely said. "Certainly the loss of being able to have children is a sign of the passing of youth."

She was astonished to see the public reaction to her art.

"It's like interactive art," she said. "The minute women see it, they talk to each other and exchange notes. At trade shows, our booth is crowded by both men and women."

Seely's mixed Anglo, Spanish and Native American heritage gave her an appreciation of the rich cultural history of New Mexico. Her maternal grandmothers came to Santa Fe from Philadelphia in the 1930s and were the first two presidents of the Santa Fe Opera. Her paternal grandpar-

ents were from a small Spanish village in northern New Mexico, while her Native American heritage spans many generations and tribes. She was raised in Gallup and Santa Fe and received much of her artistic education from her Navajo stepfather, Narcisco Abeyta. Her half-brother and half-sister are Navajo artists and her mother, a weaver.

Raised primarily by her grandmother, Seely learned to express herself artistically as a child, painting a classroom mural in fourth grade, winning a design contest in fifth and graduating to silk screen, vibrant oil paintings, leather, jewelry and sculpture. After one semester in college, she married, had three children and began a serious career in art at 21. She recently created an eight-panel mural for the Alamogordo Senior Citizens Center.

But her jewelry dominates her schedule and she came up with an unusual marketing tool for the pins - matchbooks that contain factual information about the pins inside and sometimes verses by Seely.

"I thought to myself where do I want my merchandise and decided right by the cash register," Seely said.

Her line, including 300 pin designs that sell from \$12 to \$14 and 60 different bracelets in the \$35 range, basically is divided into three sections:

- Documentation pins, earrings, pendants, spoons and picture frames that include fossils, petroglyphs, animal fetishes, wild flower and Egyptian images. They're especially popular in national parks and airports.

- Personal pins that include friends, angels, menopause and amusements that concentrate on images related to personal relationships, health, emotional and physical transitions and situational life changes.

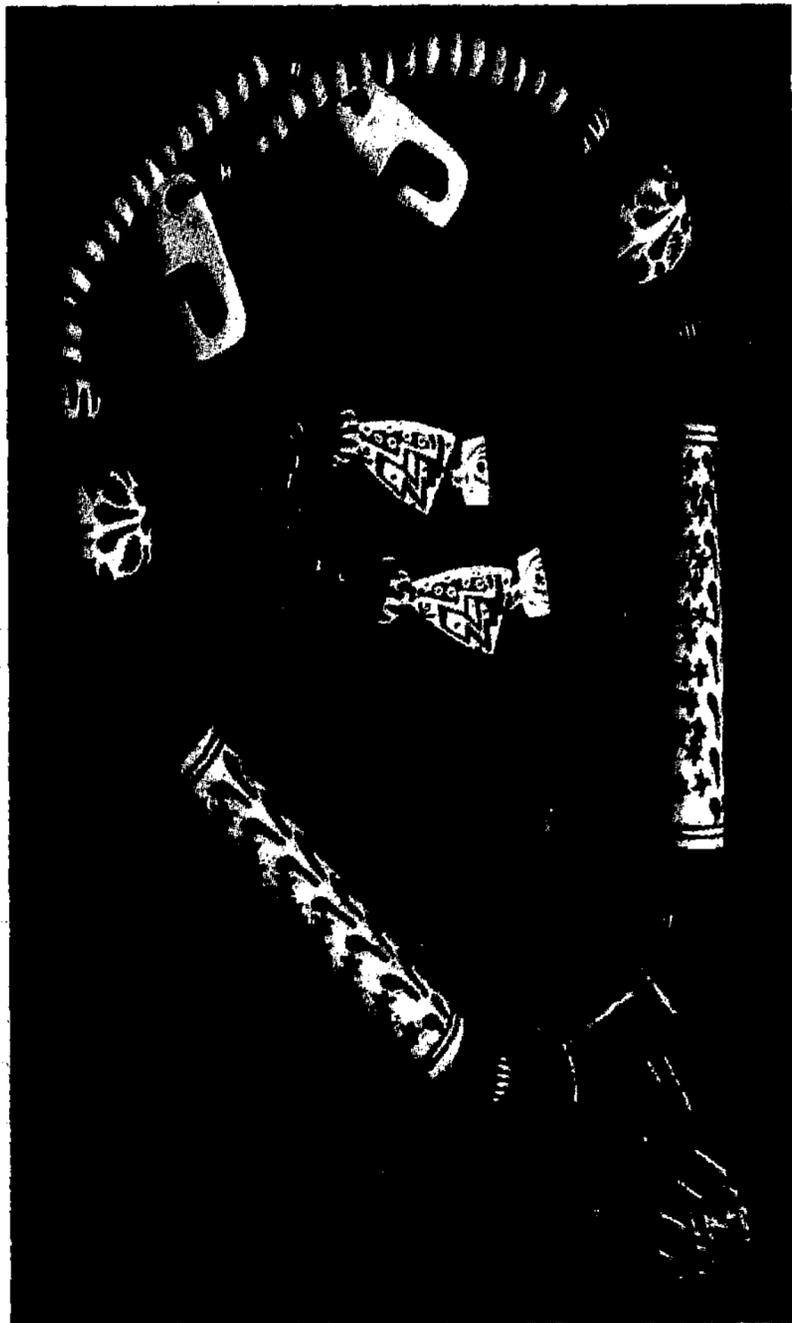
- "My Mother's Children" pins contain African and primitive images from around the world emphasizing cultural and racial diversity.

- Fashion jewelry including necklaces, bracelets, earring and barrettes. The influence primarily is ethnic and includes designs from ancient civilizations.

Seely creates an affordable line at the request of the University of Pennsylvania Art Museum to go with a Mesopotamia exhibit and also shows at the Smithsonian, Harvard University Museum and the Natural History Museum in New York, among other museums.

A recent line of pins depicting *ratablos* can be seen at the Hispanic Cultural Center in Albuquerque.

Seely shows her paintings



Courtesy

and sculptures in galleries in Santa Fe, Scottsdale, Ariz., New York, Michigan and Florida. Her hand-painted boxes were featured in *New Mexico Magazine*.

Clockwise from left on this page are the menopause pin, a necklace with bone and earrings, a picture of frame with petroglyph design and a composite of Seely's jewelry.



Courtesy



Dianne Stallings

Adobe, The

2905 Sudderth Drive, 257-5795, 257-4489
Original paintings, silver jewelry, pottery, wrought iron and wood by local artists, and unusual items from around the world.

Art and Artifact

107 S. Lincoln Avenue, Capitan, 354-2316
A contemporary gallery featuring fine art and rare, unusual objects for collectors. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday or by appointment.

Benson Fine Art

Off Highway 70, San Patricio, 653-4081
In Hondo Valley: entrada gallery with early Southwestern artists, guest house gallery with landscape photography and contemporary gallery; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Sunday or by appointment.

Blue Cow Pottery Company

616 Sudderth Drive, 630-1122
(At Home Again Antiques & Collectibles Mall) Handmade, wheel-thrown, originals — everything to classically glazed functional pottery. Denimware, Petroglyphs, Cranberries & Oats. See artists at work on premises.

California Colors

201 Country Club Road, Ruidoso, 257-9011
Barbara Dehl-Westbrook is the artist in residence of this gallery of art.

Crucis Art Bronze

524 Sudderth Drive, 257-7186
Foundry, gallery and jewelry. Specializing in custom bronze casting, bronze sculpture, alabaster and more. Open daily from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Expressions in Bronze

2002 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, 257-3790
Dave McGary's facility features a finishing studio and a gallery which showcases a two-decade retrospective collection of his "Images in Bronze." Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday - Saturday.

Fruit of the Trees

Highway 380 between mile markers 95 and 96, 653-4699
Artist Paula Wilson and bookbinder Beverly Wilson showcase handmade paper, blank journals and multiple paper products. North at the sign on Highway 380 between mile markers 95 and 96, follow the drive to the studio. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Thursday - Sunday.

G.D. Garrett Fine Art

2306 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, 257-7695 or 257-6977
Featuring original art and prints by local artist Gary Garrett. Originals and prints of Sierra Blanca and local wildlife.

Handwoven Designs

102 Lincoln Avenue, Capitan, 354-2008
Maggie Doyle is a nationally recognized, fourth-generation hand weaver with a working weavery in Capitan. She draws inspiration from the landscapes of her New Mexican home for her handwoven clothing. Open Thursday - Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Hurd-La Rinconada Gallery

Off Highway 70 in San Patricio, 653-4331
Michael Hurd's latest works plus works by Peter Hurd, Henriette Wyeth Hurd, Andrew Wyeth, Jamie Wyeth, Carol Hurd Rogers and Peter de la Fuente. Works can be viewed Monday - Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5

p.m. and by appointment on Sunday.

The Kenyon Thomas Gallery

546 Sudderth Drive, 257-1056
Pottery and pastels by Kenyon Thomas, fine weavings by Marcia Thomas. Call for gallery hours.

Lorene & Larry's Frame & Art

268 Main Road, Capitan, 354-2605
Original art, watercolor painting, Southwestern prints and custom design furniture by Larry.

J. Mauritsen Studio

501-B Carrizo Canyon Road, 257-6348
Freestyle sculptures. Stone and burlwood. Also works by Apache sculptor Jordan Torres. Always open.

La Paloma Gallery

Mile marker 98, U.S. 380, Lincoln, 653-4619
Contemporary fine art by New Mexican and other artists. Open most days 10 a.m.-4 p.m. but a call ahead is advised. Check our Web page: www.lapalomagallery.com.

Lincoln State Monument

Highway 380, Lincoln, 653-4372
Montaño Store and exhibits highlighting the Montaño family, Hispanic contributions to the area and adobe architecture. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday - Sunday. Admission fee included in the \$6 daily pass at the Courthouse for admission to seven buildings, including those of the Hubbard Museum.

McMahon Fine Art

No. 7 Jira Plaza, 700 Mechem, 257-9102
Tom McMahon features internationally acclaimed artists in a variety of media. American paintings and works on paper, 18th to 20th centuries.

Mtn. Arts Gallery & Framing

2330 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, 257-9748
Originals and prints by local artist Teri Sodd, prints by B. Jaxon, D. Terbush, A. Shade, Henle, J. Larson, B. Carver, G. Snidow, S. Wamsley. Open 7 days, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Nogal Store & Gallery

Highway 37, Nogal
Featuring the works of Nogal and Lincoln County area artists and craftsmen. Hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Wednesday - Saturday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday.

Piñon Pottery Studio & Gallery

2.8 miles east of Wal-Mart on Highway 70, 378-4270
Vicky Conley's functional and decorative raku pottery, etchings, block prints and monotypes. Bridal registry available. Original paintings, prints, silk scarves, jewelry and funky docks by local artists. Tuesday - Saturday, 10:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Red Rose Art Studio

County Road E016, Hondo, 653-4203.
The studio of Hondo Valley artist Paula White features her works in oil, acrylic and porcelain in styles from impressionistic to abstract expression. Call for hours.

Sacred Images, Angels & Icons

416 First St., Ruidoso, 257-6627
New Orleans artist Jim Leasure specializes in portraits of clients' guardian angels. He also paints angelic-themed school and church murals, ceilings and walls of private

homes and businesses. His studio is open to the public by appointment.

Spring Canyon Gallery

2206 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, 257-1561
Artist Misha Malpica's Spring Canyon sculpturing studio, where you can meet the artist and watch as a creation unfolds before your eyes. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 10 a.m.-7:30 p.m. Friday-Sunday.

Stribling Fine Art

1031 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso, 258-4892
Featuring contemporary Southwest paintings by New Mexico artist Stephen Stribling. Located in The Attic complex (upstairs in back). Hours: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday - Sunday, or by appointment.

T Cross Antler Lighting & Home Furnishings

107 Alameda Drive, Alto, 336-9171
Scott and Trish Thompson's creative antler lighting, log, iron, antler and leather furnishings features their custom designs or yours. Call for appointment.

The Tree's House

Nogal Canyon Road off Highway 37 between mile markers 9 and 10, Nogal, 354-4206

The Lags are woodworkers who design and create a variety of functional artworks, including doors, screens and lamps. Located in Nogal at Highway 37 and Nogal Canyon Road.

Unique Creations

Nogal Mesa, 354-3500 354-4203
Creative expressions by Sandy Hartley include fiber art furniture, etched and stained glass, original macrame headboards, wall hangings etc. Open by appointment for interior consultation, commissions and gift items.

Western Trails Gallery

320 Smokey Bear Blvd., Capitan 354-4203.
Original Western oils, a collection of quality Indian jewelry and artifacts, unique ethnographic and regional crafts.

White Mtn. Pottery Gallery

2328 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, 257-3644
Established in 1975 and featuring a collection of talented clay artists, it offers tableware, lamps and accessories by local and nationally known potters. Call for hours.

White Oaks Pottery Studio & Gallery

3 1/2 miles NE of White Oaks, 648-2985
From her adobe studio, potter Ivy Heymann makes functional porcelain, sculptures and lighting in the shadow of Patos Mountain. A one-hour drive north from Ruidoso. Open 7 days, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

ZW's gallery

Milemarker 4 3/4, Highway 37, Nogal
Weaving, spinning, blacksmithing. Open from noon to 6 p.m. Friday; 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday; 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday.

Lincoln County Art: The New Millennium

The public is invited to the opening reception for an exhibit of Lincoln County art at The Governor's Gallery on the fourth floor of the State Capitol Building from 4 to 6 p.m., Friday, March 16.

The reception is hosted by the Women's Board of the Museum of New Mexico, and the exhibit is sponsored by the Village of Ruidoso Arts Commission, The Governor's Gallery, an outreach facility of the Museum of Fine Arts, Museum of New Mexico Foundation, a division of the Office of Cultural Affairs.

The exhibit, which will run from March 16 to May 11, consists of 38 pieces of original art by Lincoln County artists.

Alan Briley, Ruidoso village manager, urged council members to attend the opening night of the exhibit.

CALL FOR THE ARTS

Fiber Arts Fiesta

The Albuquerque Fiber Arts Fiesta 2001 invites entries from the public for its third biennial juried show. More than 200 entries will be hung. Work must have been done since June 1, 1999, and there is a limit of three entries per person at \$5 per entry.

Original, traditional, graphed or charted work may be submitted. The jurors will look for successful execution of design, technical ability and presentation. Traditional and art quilts, cloth art dolls, weaving, spinning, embroidery, lace and beadwork are judged competitions. Knitting, sewing, silk painting and other surface design, mixed media including basketry, felting, rug-hooking and handmade paper are juried for display.

Exhibit dates will be during the Albuquerque Fiber Arts Fiesta, May 24-26 at the Creative Arts Building on the New Mexico State Fairgrounds.

For exhibition brochure, which lists specifics of categories and entry form, send a self-addressed stamped envelope to AFA Fiesta 2001, P.O. Box 16443, Albuquerque, NM 87191-6443 or call (505) 889-0103.

The deadline for entry forms, fee and photographs of work is March 30.

The Albuquerque Fiber Arts Fiesta is sponsored by 11 New Mexican fiber art guilds and the Albuquerque Fiber Arts Council Inc., a nonprofit organization.

Writing contest

Entering writing contests is a great way for aspiring writers to hone their craft, and writers can even win money in the process. SouthWest Writers (formerly Southwest Writers Workshop) is now accepting submissions for its 2001 contest.

The SWW Contest 2001 encourages and honors excellence in writing with cash prizes of \$225, \$125 and \$100 for the top three winners in 17 categories, plus all entries receive written critiques by qualified professionals. First-place winners also compete for the \$1,000 Storyteller Award. The judges in all categories are established editors, agents or producers.

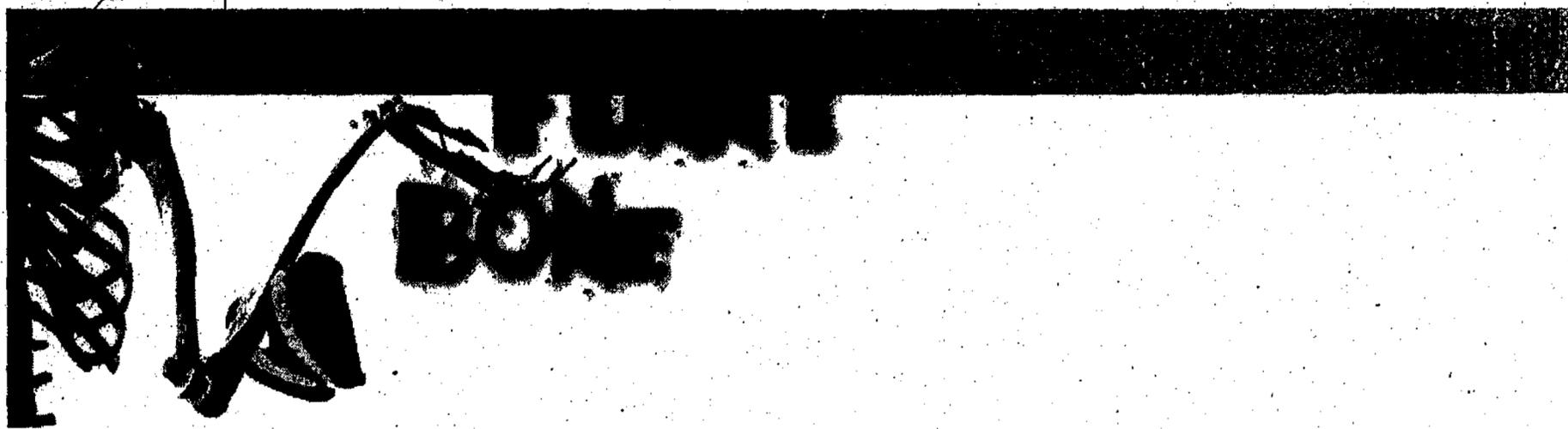
Submissions are accepted in various genres of fiction (novel-length and short), children's/young adult, nonfiction (book-length and article), poetry and screenplay.

There is an entry fee (\$18-\$39 per entry) and an official entry form is required. Deadline for submission is (postmarked) May 1, 2001.

SWW also has a separate critique service to help get entries into top shape. Professional critiques go for about \$3.50 per manuscript page.

For details, send a 34-cent stamped, self-addressed envelope to SWW, 8200 Mountain Rd. NE, Ste. 106, Albuquerque, NM 87110, or contact SWW at (505) 265-9485, e-mail SWWriters@aol.com, or download rules and form from the Web site at www.southwestwriters.org.

SouthWest Writers is a nonprofit organization that has been supporting and inspiring all people to express themselves creatively through the written word for more than 15 years.



Grammar tends to slip after drinking a giraffe



Dave Barry
DAVE'S WORLD
TRIBUNE MEDIA SERVICES

It is with great decrepitude that we present another episode of "Ask Mister Language Person," the column that was recently voted "Best American Grammar Column in America" by a panel of Florida voters who were actually trying to order Chinese food.

The philosophy of this column is simple: if you have good language skills, you will be respected and admired; whereas if you clearly have no clue about grammar or vocabulary, you could become president of the United States. The choice is yours!

We shall commence today's column right at the outset with a "punctuation" question:

Q. I, am never sure, when, to use, commas.

A. You should use a comma whenever you have a need to pause in a sentence.

EXAMPLE: "So me and Tiffany were at the mall and she ate like four of those big fudge squares which is why her butt is the size of a Volkswagen Jetta I don't know WHAT Jason sees in, wait a minute I'm getting another call."

To indicate a longer pause, use more commas:

EXAMPLE: "Then the earth,,,,,,,,, cooled off."

Q. I am a medical doctor, and when I am around laypersons, I use the word "infarction" as often as possible. For example, if a patient comes in with an

ingrown toenail, I'll examine it with a serious facial expression, which I learned in medical school, then I'll say: "I'm afraid you have an infarction." Or: "This is seriously infarcted." Then I'll go into the hall and laugh until I have boogers on my stethoscope. My question is: How come they're called "laypersons"?

A. We have often wondered that ourselves.

Q. Please tell me what is grammatically wrong with this sentence: "Walking down the street, the sun shone brightly."

A. This is a classical example of what grammarians call a pluperfect connubial imprecation, which, in layperson's terms, means that it violates state and federal health-warning laws. The sentence must be re-worded as follows: "Walking down the street, the sun shone brightly, which can cause skin cancer."

Q. What is the correct spelling of the word "liaison"?

A. Nobody knows.

Q. I am disturbed by the words to "Pat-A-Cake," which go: "Pat-a-cake, pat-a-cake, baker's man." Does this mean that the baker's man is actually back there patting the cakes?

A. He is seeking professional help.

Q. How come a refrigerator is called a "re"-frigerator?

A. Because it should be used only for foods that have already been frigerated at some previous time.

Q. What if they have not?

A. Then you are running a very serious risk of infarction.

Q. What is the Internet address of the Lake Tahoe Incline Village/Crystal Bay Visitors Bureau?

A. It is "www.gotahoe.com."

Q. Ho ho! Speaking of which, can you flagrantly pad out the end of this column with real-life examples of language usage sent in by alert readers?

A. Certainly:

— Kathryn Chmurny sent in a restaurant coupon from the *North County (California) Times* for a \$17.95 dinner for two that includes "1/2 giraffe" of wine.

— Chris Queen sent in an article from the *Livingston County (Michigan) Daily Press* and *Argus* headlined: "Search for Woman in Fertilized Egg Suit Goes Nationwide."

— Gary Tucker sent in a sports story from the August 21, 1999, issue of *The Seattle Times* concerning a Mariners-Indians game featuring a strong performance by Cleveland pitcher Bartolo Colon, with the following headline, which we swear we are not making up: "Bad Whiff of Colon."

Q. Talk about infarc-

tions.

A. We're guessing that the headline writer had consumed several giraffes.

TODAY'S WRITING TIP: When writing a business letter or other professional communication, always conclude with a strong "action statement" that shows you "mean business."

WRONG: "Sincerely."

RIGHT: "I will play tetherball with your spleen."

GOT A QUESTION FOR MISTER LANGUAGE PERSON? Har.

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

(C) 2001, THE MIAMI HERALD
DISTRIBUTED BY TRIBUNE MEDIA SERVICES, INC.

"The philosophy of this column is simple: ...; whereas if you clearly have no clue about grammar or vocabulary, you could become president of the United States.

The choice is yours!"

Rockhound Roundup Brings Collectors and Buyers to Deming

Thousands of gem and mineral collectors and dealers will be in Deming, for the 36th annual Rockhound Roundup, March 8-11 at the Southwest New Mexico Fairgrounds.

"The roundup is one of the largest events of its type in the Southwest," said Mike Cook, Coordinator of New Mexico State University's Rural Economic Development Through Tourism project. "It includes guided field trips, displays, live demonstrations, lapidary equipment, auctions and arrays of jewelry, gems and minerals."

There is no charge to attend the roundup, which is open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

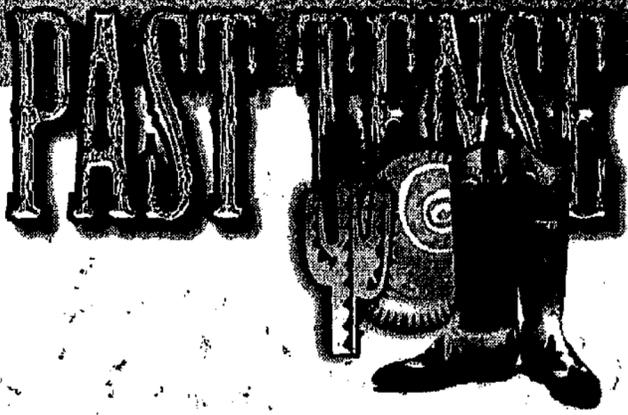
"One of the great features of the Rockhound Roundup is the field trips, which leave the fairground at 8:30 a.m. on March 8-10. Participants can expect to find everything from agate to onyx," said Cook.

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

For more information on the Rockhound Roundup, contact the Deming Gem and Mineral Society at (505) 546-6670 or 546-0348, or you contact REDTT at (505) 646-8009.

LSCP Pony Express Ride

The annual Pony Express Ride held by the Lincoln County Sheriff's posse will occur in the month of August and not June as previously announced. For more information, write to LSCP, P.O. Box 1290, Capitan, NM 88316; or call Roland Caster at (505) 257-6767, Jim Tharp at (505) 354-3028, Terese Ray at (505) 345-4308 or Betty Joiner at (505) 354-2339.



Drew Gamber
HISTORIAN,
THE HUBBARD MUSEUM
OF THE AMERICAN WEST

The Wilcox train robbery

Part 2

It had taken about two hours, but in the end, the bandits were successful and departed the area with 19 scarf pins, 29 gold-plated button pairs, four Elgin watches and a whole lot of money. Initially, estimates were in the vicinity of \$30,000, but in 1904 it was revealed that the take was actually closer to \$50,000, some of which was in gold.

On July 3, 1899, just over a month after the Wilcox train robbery, two arrests were made in the case. Two men, Dave Putty and Bud Nolan, were arrested and identified as the "Roberts brothers" at Dillon, Montana. Dietrick, the fireman who had been on the train, was dispatched by his employers to go and identify the duo, but was unable to do so, claiming that it was because the bandits had been wearing white masks during the actual robbery. The fact that they were the wrong men may have also had a bearing ...



Courtesy

BUTCH CASSIDY.

Identifiable loot

Experts that they were, the Wild Bunch *did* occasionally do something dumb. On this occasion, their greed got the better of them and they took a package containing \$3,400, which had been damaged in the explosion, and was easily identified. On virtually all of the bills the "lower right hand corners [of the money were] all torn diagonally." Additionally, there was other damage — partially burned bills — that made the money difficult to launder.

Several months after the robbery, known Wild Bunch member Elza "Elzy" Lay was arrested in New Mexico Territory in connection with a train robbery near Folsom. At that time in the Territory of New Mexico, train robbery was a capital offense and, unlike murder, there were no varying "degrees" of it. If you killed somebody, you might be able to get off

with a prison term, but if you robbed a train, you were doomed. During Lay's capture Sheriff Ed Farr had been killed. While it was doubtful that Lay actually fired the shot that killed the lawman, he decided to plead guilty to the "lesser" charge of murder!

On October 10, 1899, Elzy Lay received a life sentence for the death of Ed Farr. In January of 1906, Lay was pardoned. (That is the official date — it appears that Lay may have actually been released some time earlier). It has been suggested by a number of people — both then and now — that there was a payoff involved and Lay was actually released courtesy of Butch Cassidy. There is no solid evidence, but it is an interesting suggestion!

Professionals

Professional outlaws that they were, the segment of the Wild Bunch that had pulled off the Wilcox robbery scattered, and notes began surfacing all over the West. Lonnie Logan attempted to launder his share of the loot through a deposit from his Curry Brothers Saloon at Harlem, Montana. The Pinkertons, a step behind, traced the bills back to the saloon, only to find that Lonnie had sold the place and departed for parts unknown.

One of Butch Cassidy's favorite ways to hide out was by working on the WS Ranch at Alma, New Mexico Territory. Sure enough, it wasn't long before the Pinkertons got word that some of the loot had surfaced in that area. Following the lead, they sent an agent named Frank Murray to that place. Murray, attempting to be discrete, wandered into the local saloon where he struck up a conversation with a "kind and likable" bartender by the name of Jim Lowe. Noting that everyone seemed to like Lowe, Murray went ahead and confided his mission to the fellow. Lowe seemed quite interested and concerned for the safety of Murray. He told Murray that it would probably be best if he (Murray) were to leave the Alma area before he was recognized as a Pinkerton. Lowe pointed out how dangerous these men were and that it would probably be better if the Pinkerton were to leave and come back with reinforcements before he was unceremoniously shot down in the street by one of the merciless brutes.

Murray, upon further reflection, decided that Lowe's advice was good and left the area with the intent of coming back with enough men to capture the desperadoes. It wasn't until years later that Murray discovered that Jim Lowe was, in reality, Butch Cassidy.

The long arm

Well, you can fool some of the people some of the time, etc., etc., and it was inevitable that sooner or later, the long arm of the law would be closing in on the outlaws. It took a while, though. Stolen loot turned up in Utah and Durango, Cortez and Mancos, Colorado. It was no coincidence that Sundance's cousin George Longabaugh lived near Cortez and that Harvey Logan also frequented the area. The Pinkertons couldn't help but

notice that, try as they might, they seemed to remain about three weeks and hundreds of miles to the rear of the bandits.

But it was a foregone conclusion that one of the desperadoes would make a mistake, and one of them finally did at a place called Dodson (now a part of Kansas City), Missouri. It was Lonnie Logan. At Dodson, Lonnie had gone to visit his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Lee. Their son, Lonnie's cousin, Bob Lee, accompanied him there from Colorado. Lonnie and Bob ran around Dodson, spending the very-identifiable loot liberally. And when Bob returned to his job at Cripple Creek, Colorado, it wasn't long before lawmen paid him a visit and arrested him without incident in the early part of 1900.

Lonnie's number came up on February 28th. Local lawmen, in the company of Pinkerton operatives, surrounded the Lee farm where Lonnie was "holed up." When Lonnie burst through the back door, guns blazing, he was greeted with a hailstorm of lead, but was miraculously unhurt. He darted behind a mound of snow and for the next half hour traded shots with the posse in "a furious exchange." Finally, realizing that he must do something, Lonnie reloaded and steeled himself for a desperate escape attempt. Suddenly leaping to his feet, he charged right at the posse. One of them called out "Here he comes!" and they all opened fire. This time, the hailstorm of lead caught Lonnie and he pitched forward into the snow, dying within seconds.

In April, it was Flatnose George Currie's turn. A posse led by Sheriff Jesse Tyler tracked Flatnose to a place near Moab, Utah. It turned out that Tyler wasn't even after Flatnose, but had mistaken him for some local rustlers. After a six-mile running gunfight, a rifle bullet, possibly fired by Tyler himself, struck Currie in the head. Much to everyone's amazement, Flatnose leapt to his feet and scurried up into some rocks where he fortified himself up. They assumed that he had only been grazed.

Hours passed and when no further fire came from Currie's position, the lawmen cautiously moved in. They found the outlaw in a sitting position up against a rock with his

rifle in his lap. Despite a fatal bullet to the head, he had managed to run around for quite a while before succumbing to something that *should* have killed him instantly.

In a postscript to the death of Flatnose George Currie, on May 16, 1900, Sheriff Tyler was again tracking rustlers and, once again, he came across the wrong outlaw. This time it was Harvey "Kid Curry" Logan, who was undoubtedly delighted to have the man he held responsible for the death of his "mentor" (Flatnose) in his sights. When Tyler and a deputy named Sam Jenkins realized just who they had stumbled upon, they turned to run back to their horses, which they had left in a stand of trees. Kid Curry, killer that he was, gunned both men down as they ran.

The inevitable

Within a year of the Wilcox train robbery, two of the bandits, Lonnie Logan and Flatnose George Currie, had gone on to their uh, reward. And, as inevitable as it always was, the fickle finger of fate was moving in on the rest of the outlaws, too. On April 2, 1901, Will Carver and George Kilpatrick, brother of Ben, rode into Sonora, Texas, to procure supplies for a robbery they were planning.

Sheriff Elijah "Lige" Briant was an efficient lawman and had been keeping tabs on strangers in town for days. As luck would have it, the ever-volatile Kid Curry had killed a local man in a blind rage outside of town and then gone on his violent way. Carver and Kilpatrick wandered into town at exactly the wrong time and when Briant and his deputies approached, they went for their guns.

In a desperate, point-blank gunfight, the lawmen and the outlaws shot it out, the lawmen proving themselves to be the better shootists, or at least the luckier. When the gunsmoke cleared, George Kilpatrick, who was destined to survive and go to prison, and Will Carver were both down. None of the lawmen had been hit. Carver's wound was mortal, and his case was soon remanded to a Higher Court.

The deadly Harvey Logan aka Kid Curry, was next. On June 8, 1904, Logan and two other outlaws were tracked to a small canyon near Glenwood Springs, where they were cornered. In the very first

exchange of gunfire, Logan appeared from behind a rock, was hit and went down. Still conscious, he managed to crawl back behind the same rock. The posse heard one of his accomplices call out "Are you hit?" Kid Curry's gasping reply was "Yes. And I'm going to end it here." A shot sounded from behind the rock and the battle resumed. Eventually, the other two outlaws escaped and the lawmen found Logan, very dead, behind the rock with a bullet from his own gun in his temple. Interestingly, though, there are those who believe to this day that it was not really Kid Curry. Unlike Billy the Kid, there does seem to be a remote chance that it really wasn't him and that Logan really did escape. Personally, I think that, just like Billy, he was killed just as history says. It's funny how people don't want their heroes to die. Perhaps Harvey Logan and Billy the Kid are living somewhere with Elvis and Jim Morrison.

And perhaps Butch and Sundance, who were killed in Bolivia in 1908, are with them!

The last to go was Ben Kilpatrick, the "Tall Texan." Attempting to rob a train in 1912, he turned his back on a railroad employee who unceremoniously bashed his brains out with a hammer.

And that was that. Much of the loot from the Wilcox train robbery was never recovered, which does sort of lead one to believe that crime really does pay. But when you think about the price the perpetrators eventually had to pay, it just ain't worth it, is it?

Sources: *The Wild Bunch At Robber's Roost* by Pearl Baker; *The Wilcox Train* by Donna Ernst; *Desperate Men* by James D. Horan; *Butch Cassidy: Desperate Men* by James D. Horan; *The Wilcox Train* by Donna Ernst; *Butch Cassidy: A Biography* by Richard Patterson and *The Encyclopedia of Western Gunfighters* by Bill O'Neal.



Spoiled Rotten in Ruidoso

"Come Let Me Spoil You"

SPECIALIZING IN: Facials • Skin Care
Manicures & Pedicures • Waxing

Winter Special - Manicure & Pedicure \$38

Nailtique Products & Gift Certificates Available

by Lynda L. Larsen
Licensed Esthetician & Manicurist
667 Sudderth E. • Ruidoso, NM 88345
at Rita's Hair & Nails

FOR APPOINTMENT CALL 257-6377

A CLASSIC HAWAII VACATION

YOU'LL REMEMBER FOR A LIFETIME!

YOU CAN BOOK THE EXACT AIR SERVICE, HOTEL OR SUITE, CAR THAT WILL MAKE YOUR VACATION GREAT!

7 NIGHTS STARTING FROM \$640/PERSON



CRUISE VACATIONS & TRAVEL
714 MECHEM • 257 - 4991
toursandcruises.vacation.com

Dining Guide

CATTLE BARON



Sensational steaks, seafood and a 46-item salad bar are featured on Cattle Baron's menu. Fresh trout, catfish, Pacific snapper and King salmon and speciality dishes like filet mignon with green chili bearnaise sauce are also patron pleasers.

\$\$\$-\$\$\$

257-9355 • 657 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso
11 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Sun. • Thurs.; 11 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. • Fri. and Sat.

SANTINO'S ITALIAN RESTAURANT (formerly Che Bella)



Enjoy regional Italian cuisine in a relaxed atmosphere. Join us in our cozy lounge for cocktails and conversation. It's where Ruidoso meets. Open nightly. Reservations welcome.

\$\$\$-\$\$\$

257-7540 • 2823 Sudderth
Lounge opens 4:30 p.m.
Dining at 5 p.m.

THE DECK HOUSE RESTAURANT



The Deck House Restaurant would like to welcome you for breakfast, lunch and dinner! Come and enjoy a cold beer with your sour cream enchiladas. Now serving our "House Specialty Frozen Sangria" to go with all of your favorites.

\$-\$\$

257-3496 • 200 Mechem in Adobe Plaza

WINTER HOURS:

MONDAY thru THURSDAY 10:30AM to 2:30PM

FRIDAY & SATURDAY 8:00AM TO 9:00PM

SUNDAY 8:00AM TO 2:30PM

NOW Serving BEER & WINE

LOOK FOR OUR DAILY SPECIALS

FARLEY'S FOOD FUN & PUB



Good food, food fun and good prices is what Farley's is all about. The atmosphere is light and fun and there are 16 domestic beers on tap. Cooks Pedro Bonilla and Nick Lawrence grill one of the best burgers around and you won't want to miss the wood-fired pizza.

\$-\$\$

258-5676 • 1200 Mechem Dr., Ruidoso
The restaurant opens at 11:30 a.m.
7 days a week

THE INNCREIBLE RESTAURANT & SALOON



The InnCredible Restaurant and Saloon is truly INNCREIBLE. For 33 years we have been serving loyal locals and visitors the finest PRIME RIB, steaks, seafood, Lamb, Poultry, and Pastas in a cozy, mountain atmosphere. Australian Lobster Tail Special on Wed. Alaskan King Crab Legs on CRABBY MONDAY. Full bar and great wine list. Bar - 3:30pm - Dining - 5:30pm Reservations Recommended - we are very popular!

\$\$\$-\$\$\$

Hwy 48N at Ski Run Rd. - Alto
336-4312

CHEF'S LUPE'S FAMILY STYLE RESTAURANT



Now serving a new family style menu. Start your morning with the best pancakes in town! Mexican & American with daily Lunch & Dinner specials. Come in and discover our Authentic Mexican style fish & shrimp dishes. And, don't forget our New Happy Hour Drink Specials (4-6pm), along with appetizer specials.

Lunches start at \$4.50
Dinners start at \$5.95

CLOSED MONDAYS

2239 Hwy 70 West, Ruidoso Downs
378-5245

LA LORRAINE



Low chandelier lighting, softly draped ceilings, lush flower arrangements and soothing music is merely an introduction to a dining experience fulfilled by meticulous service and unforgettable gourmet menu items including Salmon, Steaks, Veal Chop, Rack of Lamb, and Duck to name a few. The meals are enhanced by an excellent wine list including vintage bordeauxs.

\$\$\$-\$\$\$

257-2954 • 2523 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso (in midtown)
Lunch & Dinner: Wed.-Sat. 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m.
Dinner: Monday-Thursday 5:30-9 p.m. • Friday and Saturday 5:30-9:30 p.m.

K-BOB'S STEAKHOUSE



When you're hungry for "A Good Steak at an Honest Price", come on down to K-BOB'S Steakhouse. No matter what you're craving, Chicken Fried Steak, Sizzlin' Fajitas, T-BONE Steak, or Our Famous Salad Wagon we have what you're looking for. Open Daily for Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner.

\$-\$\$

378-4747 • West Highway 70 • Ruidoso
Open 7 days a week from 7 a.m.

YOUR AD COULD GO HERE

\$45. PER WEEK
FOR 13 WEEKS

CALL ANGEL, LINDA, MAC, OR LISA
AT 257-4001



Price range key: entrées priced \$7 and under = \$; entrées \$7 to \$15 = \$\$; entrées \$15 and over = \$\$\$
Paid Advertising



Cedar Creek

Crawford • \$160,000 • 405 Cedar Creek Rd.

2 bdrm, 2 bath, darling furnishings, hardwood floors, mtn. flavor deluxe on the creek, surrounded with trees, 2 car garage. Wow!



Aspen Real Estate

Toll Free 1-800-687-6602

Office: 505-336-4248

Fax: 505-336-4776

**DOUG SIDDENS
ANGELA MOEBUS
COLLEEN WHITAKER
SUSAN MILLER**



Ranches of Sonterra - 3

Balley-Ameel • \$650,000 • 352 Tierra Nueva

New 4200+ sq ft home - panorama views, 26' ceilings in living room on 5.10 acres. 1052 sq ft bonus room with full bath. All baths are tiled-glass enclosure - 4 bdrms, 4 baths total - study, jacuzzi, butler's pantry and more!



Alpine Village

\$319,900 • 304 Alpine Village Road

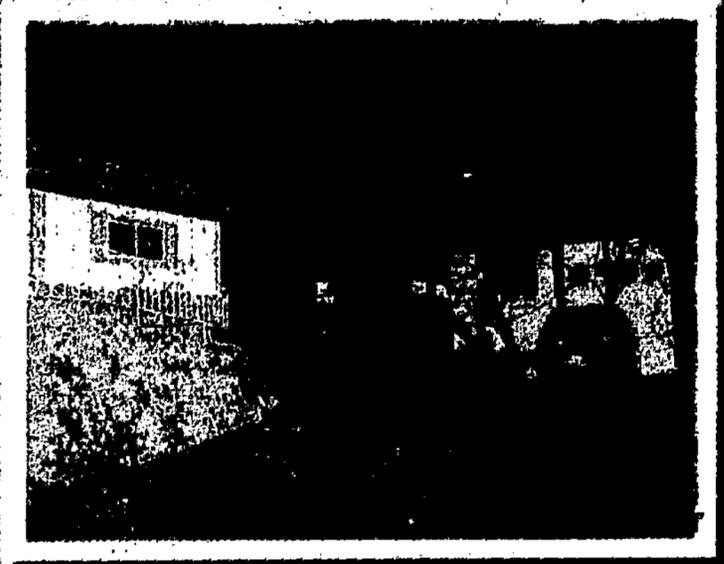
Private setting on 3 lots (1.76) acres, panorama views including Sierra Blanca, 3 bdrms, each with a full private tiled bathroom. 2 fireplaces, over 3000 sq. ft. High ceilings mtn. flavor deluxe. Bird & deer feeders for the nature lover!



Alto

Carter • \$182,000 • 619 Midiron Dr.

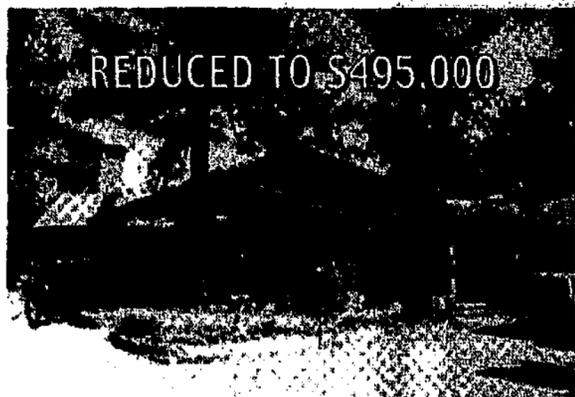
3 bdrm, 2 bath, 1920 sq. ft., approximate Chalet style in heavily wooded setting.



Skyland Addition

Whitten • \$149,500 • 910 Sudderth Drive

Small older home and 3 small older mobiles. Cute, needs up-dating. Live-in one, rent out three. C-2 zoned on a knoll on .48 acres. 1st time on market.



REDUCED TO \$495,000

Alto

Spiral, Inc. • \$550,000 • 632 Midiron Dr.

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.



Alto

Blond • \$239,900 • 130 Mira Monte Rd.

3 bdrm, 2 bath, 2 car garage. 1 level stucco home in immaculate condition with Alto social membership. Both living and den, river rock fireplace. Tile, new carpet, nice covered deck and level sunny lot.



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

Womack • \$139,900 • 229 Brentwood Dr.

3 bdrm, 2 bath - partially furnished - social membership - nice lot affordable Alto!

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.

COMING SOON

Internet Pictures Corporation
Visual Content solutions for the internet

Look for the  Symbol to

homes with the  Symbol to

experience a virtual tour on

your computer.



NEW CARPET

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.

FULL MEMBERSHIP ALTO LOTS FOR SALE!

Miller • \$99,998 • 128 Forest Dr.

Backs up to Golf Course - Level.
Very nice.

Dymsza • \$82,500 • 110 Deer Park Ct.

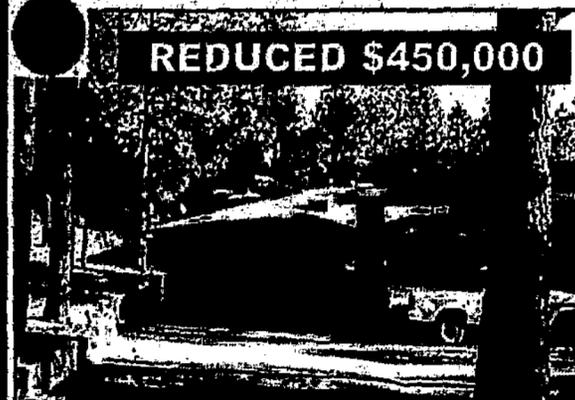
Just off Deer Park Dr. (1 acre lot).
Very bulldable. Big Views.



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.



REDUCED \$450,000

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

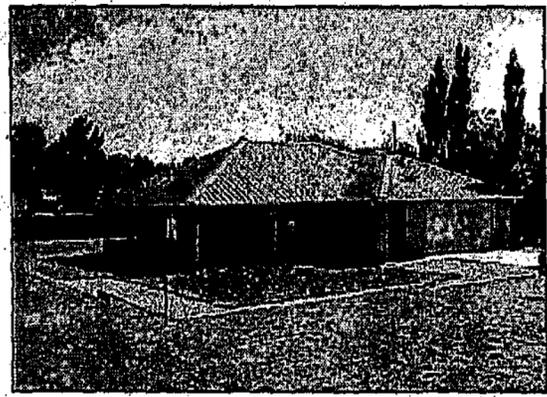
Five bedrooms, 2 3/4 baths. The breath taking Sierra Blanca view only few homes in Ruidoso have. Corner lot - approximately 3400 sq. ft. Two real moss rock fireplaces!



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.

Call

Doug Siddens (Cell 430-8413),
Susan Miller (336-4248),
Angela Moebus (Cell 420-5327) or
Colleen Whitaker (Cell 420-1668)

Century 21® Aspen Real Estate



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

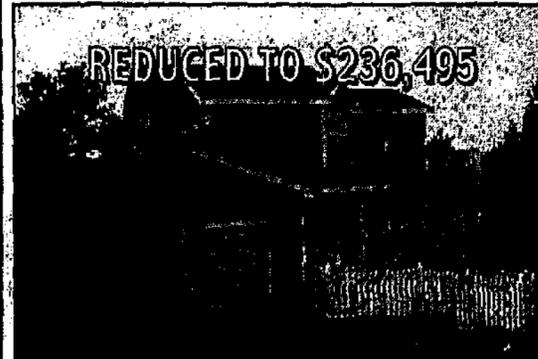
Three bedrooms, 2 baths. Excellent renter. Home is 1 level. 2-car garage. Motivated seller.

**For Fast Results
Call Now and
Put your Home
on our Cover!**

336-4248

**Ask for Doug, Colleen or
Angela!**

REDUCED TO \$236,495



White Mountain Meadows

Radziewicz • ~~\$248,500~~ • 110 Coker Lane

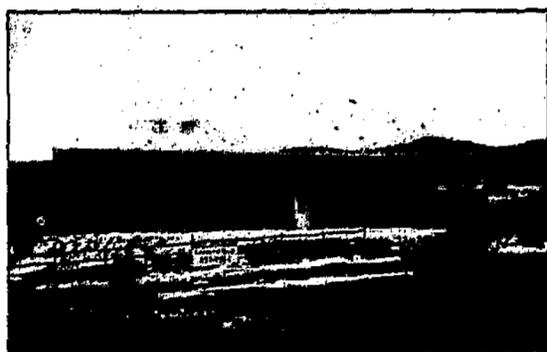
Three bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, 2-car garage, fenced yard. Hardwood floors - nice hobby or office room downstairs. Large bedrooms - bright interior - Victorian styled. A must see home!



The Crest Townhomes

Vanecek • \$259,900 • Unit #13-110 Granite Dr.

3 bdrms, 3 baths - beautiful interior - Sierra Blanca view - 2 car garage - wet bar - atrium - awesome!!



New Commercial Building

Smith • \$249,900 • Corner of Hwy 70 & Canyon Rd.

5000 sq. ft. Slab floor, 16' ceilings - 3 bays (2 are 1,000 sq. ft. each, 1 is 3,000 sq. ft.) Utilize 1, lease out 2. All have overhead door - toilet & lavatory. Metal roof, great highway exposure!



Alto Alps

Plumlee • \$159,500 • #48 Alto Alps Condo

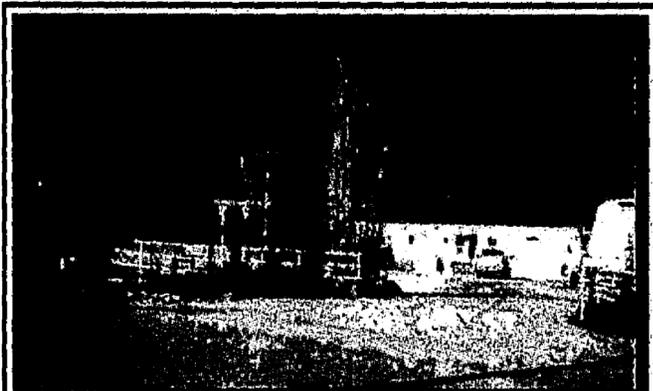
4 bdrm, 2 1/2 bath. Level entry, just remodeled, new carpet. New satillo tile. New appliances, 2 car garage, swimming pool and club house. Elevator - Seller financing.



Valley

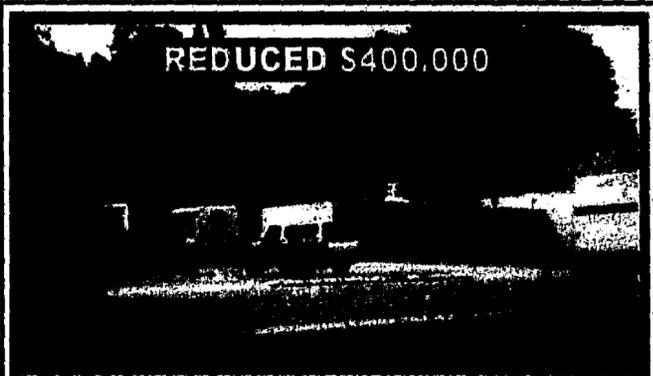
Lewicki • \$950,000 • 11+ acres on River

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.



Riverside RV Park
Daulton • \$595,000 • Gavilan Canyon Rd.

20 Space RV Park on the River with additional commercial lot for expansion. Beautiful 2 bdrm, 2 bath home on the river w/deck and jacuzzi tub. Also a 14x70 mobile in mint condition. City sewer, private well. Very nice clientele base.



REDUCED \$400,000

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.



Commercial

Knight-Mark • \$105,000 • 629B Sudderth Dr.

Approx. 2400 sq. ft., lots of potential. Multi-use. Sierra Blanca view from 2nd level. Character, Kiva-styled fireplace. Glass block windows.

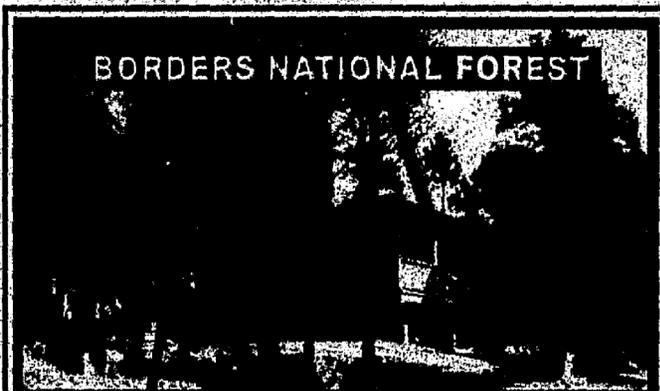


North Cedar Creek

Duran • \$235,000 • N. Cedar Creek Rd.

3 bdrms, 2 bath, 2 car garage. All one level cactus pine siding, long covered porch with great views. Home is on 1.25 acres, fairly secluded. 2 years old - Owner builder.

BORDERS NATIONAL FOREST



Palo Verde Ranchettes' "Log Cabin Home"
Rogers • \$200,000 • East Chapparal Dr.

Built in 1998 - borders forest, 1.81 acres, fenced for horses. Doll house - 3 Bdrm, 2 bath, hobby loft, covered porch, wood stove. Tip of Sierra Blanca view. Well beautiful quiet setting.



Alto - Sierra Blanca Unit 3
Lenggenhager • \$184,000 • 205 Lakeshore Dr.

3 bdrm, 2 bath, full golf mbrshp. Woodsy mtn. Chalet surrounded by tall pines. Nice deck overlooking Alto Lake. Rock fireplace. Paved drive and parking. Fully furnished.



Alto

Bayless • \$450,000 • 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.