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Oops! County almost misses road budget

After commissioners passed a \$12.3 million spending package, one of them noticed something was missing.

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Lincoln County officials were feeling pretty good about their 2001-2002 preliminary \$12.3 million budget Thursday until Commissioner William Schwettmann noticed a mistake.

Where the budget summary for the road fund should have reflected a \$121,776 reserve — a three-month hedge required by the state — a lonely zero filled the space.

"That's wrong," Schwettmann said, pointing to the line.

County Treasurer Joan Park complimented Schwettmann for catching the error while finance officer Glenna Robbins huddled with County Manager Tom Stewart to figure out what happened and how to come up with more than \$100,000 out of a \$11,200 cushion above a required general fund reserve.

Quickly dropped from consideration was a sedan for the sheriff's office that was briefly reinstated earlier in the discussion. County Clerk Martha Proctor saw a \$10,000 item to pay for air-conditioning and heating for stored voting machines cut in half to \$5,000. Three expenses related to the operation of the Glencoe Rural Events Center and the county fairgrounds in Capitan, plus the purchase of six lots to increase parking at the fairgrounds were shifted under Lodger Tax revenue and expenses, and Stewart dropped \$60,000 he was holding for a hydrological study. Those moves also reduced the general fund's required reserve.

The cuts and shifting added up to \$123,490, enough to cover the road fund's reserve.

After all of the agonizing was over, Park assured commissioners that much more money will be reflected as revenue in the final budget because by that time in July, all county departments will have end-of-year balances from June 30 that are not available now.

They will beef up the county reserve, she said.

"With the preliminary budget, we can't factor in the ending cash balance, so it looks like we are spending every dollar," she said. "But the cash balance is a built-in reserve."

"Before we used to predict the ending cash balance and we would spend it. This way, those balances are reserves."

Stewart said all items cut in the the last two sessions will be revisited in the final budget for possible funding.

Commissioner Leo Martinez questioned why the county was seemingly spending every cent it has and said if any more money is found, it should be funneled into the road department, "which is the most efficient operation in the county."

In the preliminary budget headed to the state Department of Finance and Administration for approval this week, the general fund was about

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RITE OF SPRING

Buck Tomlinson, right, hammers a shoe for one of the horses at Grindstone Stables and a veteran of several films under the training of owner Jim Townsend. As the summer season approaches, the scene is being repeated all over Lincoln County at riding stables, the race track and at private ranches. Below, Jesse Townsend steadies the horse as Tomlinson attaches the shoe.



DIANNE STALLINGS/STAFF



Cemetery may get financial boost

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
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After years of depending on volunteers and a small maintenance crew to keep the grounds in shape, Fort Stanton may receive \$3 million this year for expansion, improvement and preservation of the existing state cemetery at the fort.

"It's been a year now that the cemetery has changed hands and is under our supervision," Michael D'Arco, state director of

veterans affairs, said.

"Historically, since the federal government deeded the land to the state of New Mexico, it's been under the control of the health department or corrections department, but really no one has done anything to the cemetery in 100 years."

His proposal calls for the addition of 13.5 acres to the burial ground that contains the remains of soldiers who died during the years Fort Stanton was used for frontier defense, and of patients

who were treated there for tuberculosis.

In late April, he submitted a preliminary application for a federal grant to the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs in Washington, D.C.

"I have been officially notified that my preliminary grant application has been accepted," D'Arco said. "There's no promise of any money, but my request is for \$3 million."

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The hawks are here

Motorcyclists arrive for Aspencash rally

Event expected to draw 10,000 registered participants



TODD BUTTS/STAFF

Greg Andrijeski of Loveland, Colo. looks forward to cruising the mountains.

The 2001 Aspencash Motorcycle Rally roared to life Thursday at the Ruidoso Convention Center. Thousands of motorcyclists have already preregistered for the event and will be in town this weekend.

The event, put on by the Golden Aspen Rally Association, runs until Sunday and will feature a \$10,000 poker run and large four-day trade show.

The rally is a counterpoint to the larger Golden Aspen Rally held in September.

More than 33,000 square feet of vendors are present at the gathering, selling every-

thing from motorcycles to food to jewelry.

Officials at the rally are aiming to draw in 10,000 registered visitors this year, compared to the 7,000 they got in 2000. The public is welcome to visit the motorcycle show Saturday, when admission is free to the public.

Events for the weekend include church services, a custom bike show and a booth run by the American Motorcyclist Association. Other major sponsors include Ruidoso Downs Race Track and Casino and Barnett Harley-Davidson of El Paso, Texas and Las Cruces.

Residential trash rates to increase

Agency's manager quits to save money

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
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For the second time in one year, the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority raised residential rates, attempting to keep the organization financially afloat.

During the same meeting Tuesday, Rick Simpson, a Lincoln County commissioner, resigned as authority manager.

He said late Tuesday that he stepped down to save the authority money and because department heads are well enough trained to report directly to the authority board. That board is composed of representatives of the county and four of its municipalities that participate in the coalition formed to collect garbage and transport it to a regional landfill owned with Otero County. Simpson was hired seven months ago after serving on the board as the county's spokesman and then helping out part-time when the former manager was fired.

Rate increases will take effect July 1. In the county, residents will pay \$9 compared to \$7.25. The rate went up from \$10.25 to \$12 for polycart service in Capitan, Ruidoso Downs and Carrizozo. A \$1 fuel surcharge will be included on bills, but can be adjusted or dropped if gasoline prices go down, Simpson said.

This is the second increase in less than a calendar year but the previous hike affected the budget for 2000-2001. The new rate impacts the 2001-2002 budget of \$146 million, said Debra Ingle, authority chairman.

The group expects revenues of \$159 million, leaving enough to cover a reserve required by the state and still have \$63,000 unencumbered, she said.

"As far as this year is concerned, it's going to be tight," she said. "But with the rate increase and the removal of the manager's post, it looks good for

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Taxpayers ask county to help with yard debris

Residents would be willing to pay more for a collection and disposal service, one resident says.

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The county must do more to provide an affordable way for property owners to dispose of their yard debris, a Sun Valley resident said Thursday.

Sharon Stewart told Lincoln County Commissioners that handing out a list of resources and agencies to contact isn't good enough.

That was the directive given to the county manager by commissioners last month.

The commission or the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority coalition should be applying for grants to hire a collection and disposal service or to arrange access to reasonably-priced disposal sites, she said.

"We're willing to pay for the service," she said, adding that the village of Ruidoso charges its residents for yard debris collection and the cost of equipment to provide the service.

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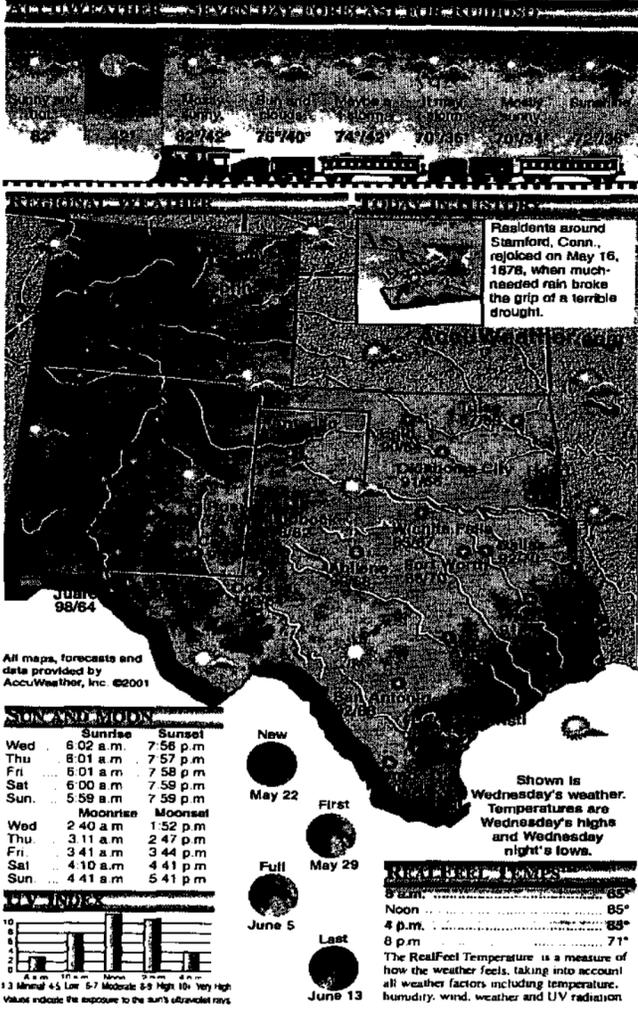
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next year." Simpson said he gave the board a choice of whether he should stay until the end of the fiscal year, June 30, or leave immediately.

"I recommended letting me go now, because we need more money desperately," he said. "This will save \$3,000 for the current year and \$40,000 plus benefits next year."

"We've been working on the budget hard and heavy. We can use the manager's salary for better purposes. I told the board about it today. I'll be in and out for a while but the department heads are ready."

Ingle agreed Wednesday that department heads should be able to handle the job, although the county is entering into the busy summer season when tourists arrive and bears invade dumpsters and leave

messes behind.

"Rick had the winter months, we'll see if we can make it fly during the summer," Ingle said, adding that the money saved by eliminating his position will pay for a crew to spend time cleaning up around dumpsters. She also was scheduled to speak to the county commission Thursday about paying for the time spent picking up illegally dumped debris.

Simpson's resignation didn't come as a surprise, Ingle said.

"He had talked to all of the board members in advance," she said. "Rick implemented a lot of beneficial things and we'll move forward on those, but we needed money and we couldn't do both. We need to do the best for the people being charged."

Ingle said she will be in close contact with the operation on a non-paid basis, especially during the summer.

COUNTY: Officials feeling pressure to help remove yard debris

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Her subdivision falls within the Sun Valley Water District off State Highway 48 by Alto and that organization applied for a grant, Stewart said. But the money only will cover about 30 acres of the 170 acres that need to be thinned and cleaned out, she said.

"Our county was on the front page of the New York Times," Stewart said referring to the area's high wild fire risk and major fire in May 2000. "Everyone knows what we're facing here. You guys need to know, to be proactive. Don't tell me to apply for a grant, you apply."

"It's not just a problem today getting rid of brush. It's a yearly maintenance thing. Pine needles will come back every year. If a wild fire roars through here, you won't have

this worry anymore and you won't have property taxes either."

Although County Manager Tom Stewart said he didn't think it was appropriate for government equipment to work on private land, Commissioner L. Ray Nunley said the property owner could pile the debris on the road right-of-way as they do in Ruidoso and private property wouldn't be involved.

If the solid waste authority, a separate entity from the county, needs to raise rates or impose a surcharge to cover the additional service and buy the equipment, then that may have to be done, he said.

"Either we or the authority need to do something constructive," Nunley said.

Helping residents dispose of yard waste as a wild fire preventative measure may rightly

fall within the county's responsibility, he said.

County Attorney Alan Morel said while illegal dumping is not the responsibility of the authority, pine needles are "legal" yard debris and a naturally occurring fire threat.

Chairman Rex Wilson said the job is too expensive for people to tackle on their own and asked Manager Stewart if he was pursuing grants.

Maury St. John, who lives on Cedar Creek Road, agreed, saying a group of residents cleaned up three acres in her area and the cost to dispose of the material was \$1,200.

But manager Stewart said commissioners must tell him what they want from the grants before he can go after them.

Commissioner William Schwettmann said Alto Lakes Village signed an arrangement

with Sierra, and he'll report back in one month on its success.

The company is placing a large collection container in the community and each person will be allowed to haul one load of yard debris for \$25. The container will be manned and property owners will be issued a pass. Access will be allowed one week each month, he said.

Schwettmann acknowledged that lots in Alto are a quarter acre and smaller than those in some other areas of the county.

Commissioner Leo Martinez suggested the county strike a similar arrangement in Sun Valley, using volunteers to man the site.

"They're not asking for anything free," he said. "If we have a fire and we haven't helped, we have a problem."

CEMETERY: Expansion possible

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With the help of State Rep. Dub Williams, a Republican from Glencoe, D'Arco also was successful in asking the state Legislature for \$192,000 in his budget for the cemetery about 15 miles northeast of Ruidoso. That money allows him to sign an architectural/engineering contract for a cemetery plan, he said.

"I'm going to do a request for proposals for an architect and engineering plan," D'Arco said. "I hope to have that out by Memorial Day."

Money from the legislature will help pay the architect and cover associated expenses, the director said. Once the plan is completed and federal officials are comfortable with the proposal, D'Arco will include information in a formal application with the VA for the \$3 million.

"That's when they, I feel confident, will approve our grant," D'Arco said. "If all my wishes were to come true, I'd be hoping to see some kind of construction begin by late fall."

He'll take advantage of other trips to Washington, D.C. to meet with VA cemetery officials to shore up their interest and firm up the final application form, he said.

"I feel really, really good about this," he said. "We need no intervention by anybody. The whole thing rests on me to put together plans and the

application."

Adding 13.5 acres to the cemetery will about double its size, he said. As part of his agreement with the state General Services Department that manages state property, D'Arco said he pledged to ensure enough space for burial of veterans and their eligible dependents far into the future.

"We also want to continue to allow merchant marine burial rights, but not all are considered veterans," he said.

Only Merchant Marines who were under fire, mostly in World War II, usually qualify, but D'Arco wants a place for those from New Mexico.

"Our rules can be stricter, but not more lenient than those for federal cemeteries," D'Arco said. "There's a lot of interest in this cemetery and I am trying to be sensitive. I can't change what has occurred in the past, but there never has been anyone in charge."

He specifically acknowledged the help of Danny Sisson, field representative for the state Office of Medical Investigator and head of LaGrone Funeral Chapel.

Fort Stanton was established in 1855 and was nearly burned down during the Civil War before being converted into a sanatorium and then a state hospital.

Efforts are under way for a new transition into a living museum, convention and recreation center.

BUDGET: County commissioners approve new spending plan

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\$323,000 more than the current year's budget before the \$120,000 transfer to the road fund.

Overall, the county budget dropped from \$15 million to \$12.3 million, primarily because of the elimination of money set aside for construction of the jail completed this year and extra correction expenses for housing inmates at other facilities until the detention center in Carrizozo was ready.

Earlier in the meeting Thursday, commissioners signed a memorandum of understanding with the Lower Pecos Water Users Association to provide some printed copies of a regional water study of the Pecos Basin for distribution to Lincoln County villages.

In exchange for the estimated \$1,000 publication expense, the county received a computer disk containing the results of the study of the area that includes the Hondo Basin within the county.

Tom Springer, chairman of the association, said the study contains recommendations, but participants are not obligated to implement any of the actions.

"It's a list of what could be done," he said, and that includes "dewatering" areas where water is lost because of high levels of evaporation, changing the way water is used for agriculture and getting rid of salt cedars.

Commissioner L. Ray Nunley said he drove that agricultural area along the Pecos and saw the problem.

"The next step is to take the

study and decide what kind of plans and rules need to implement," Stewart said.

"To that end, Springer would like to schedule a meeting for the public to get an overview of the plan, he said, but no date was set.

Martinez asked how the Pecos study fit in with the proposed hydrological study the county has pursued.

Stewart said he planned to ask the State Engineer to help,

using the budgeted \$60,000 as a first year payment. The state legislature rejected the county's request for \$225,000 to pay for the entire study and 40-year plan.

"My concern is that we don't have a shelf full of duplicate studies," Martinez said.

The regional water plan is broad and the county needs a more detailed study, Stewart replied, adding that he received a petition from county resi-

dents asking for the study.

But Schwettmann said the money could be used "somewhere else in the budget more fruitfully for now and probably wouldn't be needed until next year for the water study."

No one should be hired until commissioners know exactly where the "holes" in other studies occur, he said, adding, "We may be surprised how they overlap and fill in some of those holes."

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Volunteers needed for land projects

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
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Four projects scheduled for May and June offer prospective members of New Mexico Volunteers for the Outdoors a chance to sample the teamwork, tone and satisfaction of contributing time and muscle to improving public lands.

The closest for Lincoln County residents also may be the most difficult, according to information from project leader Jan Underwood.

Set for May 27 through June 2, at Hell's Hole Trail, the backpacking assignment will take volunteers into the heart of the Gila Wilderness.

"When we aren't tempted by the swimming holes along the West Fork of the Gila River, the natural beauty of the area, the gold mining stories and the decadent food at the deluxe wilderness camp, we will be doing trail maintenance and switchback construction along Trail 268," Underwood said. "This is an important connecting trail that drops off the mesa and down to the river below."

The trail head is at the Gila Cliff Dwellings. The 11-mile hike may involve wet feet for some, but a dryer route along the ridge trail also can be accessed by adding two more miles.

Food, camp gear and up to

30 pounds of personal gear for each volunteer will be packed in.

For more information or to sign up, contact Underwood at (505) 888-5005 or e-mail her at JMUinf@aol.com. This is an advanced project and volunteers are required to have prior trail building experience.

A way to get some of that experience is to sign up for National Trails Day, Saturday, June 2, under the leadership of Kirk Minnick and Bill Velasquez.

The organization joined the city of Albuquerque Open Space Division, the U.S. Forest Service Sandia Ranger District, REI and others to sponsor this year's event at Elena Gallegos in the foothills of the Sandia Mountains east of Albuquerque.

"We will have a variety of projects from easy to hard," said Minnick. "This is a great opportunity for NMVFO members to help involve others in the rich and rewarding work we do year around. It will involve working with people who are not as experienced in the outdoors, but they came to celebrate National Trails Day as a first big step."

Volunteers should meet at the Elena Gallegos Open Space Picnic Area off Tramway Road between Academy and San Raphael between 8 a.m. to 8:30

a.m. Volunteers will be divided up into crews and head out to work sites.

Started in 1993 by the American Hiking Society, National Trails Day helps promote public awareness of and appreciation of trails, he said.

To sign up, call REI at (605) 247-1191. For more information, contact Minnick at Kminnick@EvalTeam.com

Other projects include:
• Windsor Trail, May 26-28 under leader Shirley Kennedy at (505) 471-8018, shirken550@aol.com.

One of the most heavily used trails into the Pecos Wilderness, it also is the gateway to some terrific hikes and backpack trips, Kennedy said. The trail leads to Spirit Lake and Lake Katherine and Rio en Medio.

The mission for Memorial Day weekend is to repair the trail with drainage control, tread work, possible fencing and setting logs, pruning and signing.

Volunteers will camp at the base of Santa Fe Ski Basin where there are fire rings, pit toilets and water and plenty of room for tents, campers and RVs.

The agency may offer a barbecue dinner and breakfast, but volunteers should also plan food. Call in advance for more information or to sign up.

• Springtime Campground, June 9-10 under leaders Curtis and Micky Hogue, (605) 797-2861, crhogue@wilsonco.com.

Help reroof and repaint shelters and outbuildings at the campground adjacent to the Apache Kid Wilderness. The site is easily accessible by truck or car with high ground clearance on Forest Road 225, off Highway 1 between Exits 115 and 100 on Interstate 25.

In the scenic area at the southeast portion of the San Mateos among Ponderosa pine at an elevation of 7,400 feet, temperatures should be in the 70-80s during the day, with cool nights.

Bring water because the spring water when available must be purified before drinking.

Camping space is limited. Large rigs can park in an area adjacent to the campgrounds.

Shirley Kennedy, NMVFO cook of the year will provide the Saturday evening meal and Sunday's breakfast.

Work tools on the project will be provided or bring your own if you have a favorite. When e-mailing, please provide a telephone number.

No pets are allowed on VFO projects. The next meeting of the organization's board is set for 7 p.m., June 13 at the clubhouse in Home Office Plaza, Albuquerque.

County too small to be specific, attorney says

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Listing more specific information on the Lincoln County Commission's agenda when personnel issues are to be discussed in closed session would violate the confidentiality of the employee, County Attorney Alan Morel said.

"It might work in Albuquerque, but in our county, even listing the type of action would tell everyone what was happening and to whom," he said. "We're a small county."

Morel was reacting to a statement by Al Lama of the Civil Division of the Attorney General's Office, that commission and city council agendas should be more specific in describing items to be discussed in closed "executive" sessions.

A spokesman for Attorney General Patricia Madrid said Lama did not issue a letter, but was commenting on a complaint

from Bob Johnson, executive director of the New Mexico Foundation for Open Government, and Sandoval County Clerk Victoria Dunlap. The two objected to the lack of specificity on the Sandoval County Commission's April budget session in Las Vegas.

Lama said if a case was filed in court, a case number should be listed on the agenda instead of the generic "pending and threatened litigation." On personnel cases, he proposed more information than "personnel issues" to give a better idea of what is being discussed out of the public's view.

The county commission's differences of opinion with state agencies - sometimes based on advice from the county attorney and other times not - have surfaced on several issues surrounding the management of the county-owned hospital and health clinics, and even procedures for setting speed limits.

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OUR VIEW

An auditor speaks out, loud and clear

Ruidoso Downs gets a close-up examination

Seldom does a certified public accountant use such language as this when reporting the results of an audit of a governing body: "You guys have a lot of money. And you're borrowing a lot for equipment. Equipment debt is high interest. Pay those off. You're not used to having cash and paying cash for things. I recommend paying off the equipment debt." So said De'Aun Willoughby, hired by the current Ruidoso Downs administration to audit the village's records for the year ending June 30, 2000.

That was a follow-up to finding nine "reportable conditions" relating to deficiencies in internal controls of the village's

money accounting. Five of them had to do with the now-dispersed volunteer fire department membership of 1999-2000, findings which have been made public.

A repeated theme of these and other findings: "Management and personnel in the village allowed, supported and even promoted this type of behavior."

We hasten to remind village residents that a different administration was in charge until last year, and that much has been done to correct these situations since March of 2000.

Preventing recurrence of such problems is the duty of a village electorate that wants accountable government.

STATE ISSUES

Gary's redistricting whip

BY BARRY MASSEY
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SANTA FE (AP) - When the Legislature convenes in a few months to draw new boundaries for congressional and legislative districts, lawmakers will find an important difference from redistricting in the 1970s, 1980s and 1990s - a Republican governor.

Gov. Gary Johnson must approve any redistricting plan passed by the Democratic-controlled Legislature for it to become law.

Johnson, as the Legislature knows all too well, isn't shy about exercising his veto power and confronting Democrats who hold majorities in the House and Senate.

"Governor No," as some have described Johnson, takes a far different approach to the Legislature than the governor who watched over redistricting during the past three decades.

Democrat Bruce King occupied the governorship when New Mexico established congressional and legislative districts after the 1990 census.

King served as governor for redistricting after the 1980 headcount. Remarkably, King also was governor for redistricting in the 1970s. Democrats held majorities in the Legislature each time new districts were drawn.

King, a former speaker of the House, employed a different style of governing than Johnson. He was more willing to negotiate and compromise with the Legislature than Johnson.

Although King occasionally infuriated lawmakers with his vetoes, Johnson has done that repeatedly - killing a record number of bills with vetoes.

Brian Sanderoff, who is a consultant to the Legislature on redistricting and a former King aide, reminded lawmakers recently about the political history of redistricting and King. "He was a *laissez faire* type of man," Sanderoff told the interim Redistricting Committee. "Now the game has changed a little."

Democrats and Republicans certainly realize that.

"We've had a hard time with

Johnson politically," says Rep. Edward Sanjov, D-Albuquerque, co-chairman of the joint committee that will recommend redistricting plans to the full Legislature.

Dave Miller, the governor's legislative liaison, says Johnson wants redistricting to be a "very public process" rather than having the decisions made behind closed doors by a few kingpins in the Legislature.

"He views this as a special matter," says Miller. "He is going to carefully examine any redistricting legislation."

Drawing new political boundaries is a once-a-decade task required to realign districts to new population counts from the 2000 Census. The Legislature is expected to hold a special session in September to tackle the assignment.

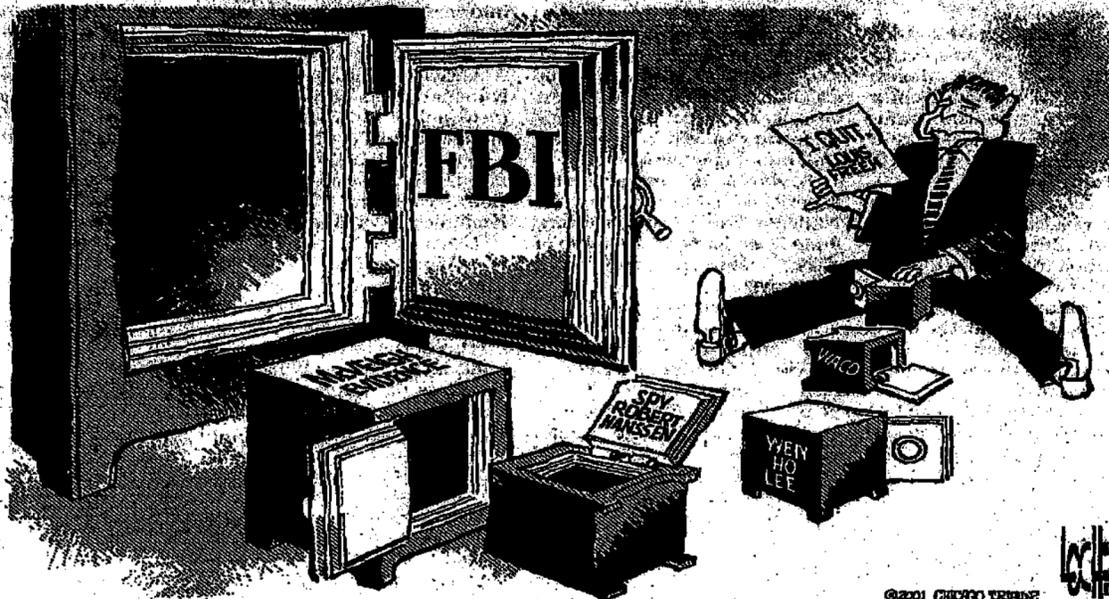
GOP state chairman John Dendahl views Johnson's role in redistricting as crucial in protecting Republicans against new districts that put them at a disadvantage in elections.

In the Legislature, Democrats hold a 42-28 advantage and a 24-18 majority in the Senate. Republicans, if they stick together, have enough votes to prevent Democrats from overriding a Johnson veto of proposed new legislative or congressional districts.

But personal political interests will play a role in redistricting. King, in his autobiography, "Cowboy in the Roundhouse," offered a timeless description of that aspect of redistricting. He called redistricting the "most intensely political process and the most difficult kind of legislation to pass."

"Asking a legislator to redesign his own district is like asking the chicken to vote for Colonel Sanders - it goes against his own interest," King wrote.

The shifts in population over the preceding 10 years may require him to eliminate his own position. Or his proposed new district may take in a new area where the voters differ so much from his philosophy that he obviously won't be returning to the Legislature after the next election.



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YOUR OPINION

Giving a voice to our community's youth

To the editor:

On May 4, I had the pleasure of attending "An Evening of the arts" at the Spencer Theater. It was presented by the Ruidoso High School drama and choreography classes.

The dance and drama variety show represented the year's work by teacher and choreographer Cathi McIntosh and her students, grades 9-12. And, it must be noted, many hours of hard work by parents and volunteers as well. With only a small budget - \$700 annually - the drama department would be hard pressed to produce the year-end extravaganza without their help.

Any proceeds from the event go toward a scholarship fund, - and soon will help complete the new high school auditorium. Construction is scheduled to begin this summer and

the building will be a tremendous asset to the entire community upon completion.

All the hard work was worth it. It was a wonderful show! It showcased the talents of all the drama classes. This was my first opportunity to enjoy the choreography class's work. From the tango to hip-hop, their dances were exciting and fun.

I was particularly impressed with the Advanced drama Class's production of "Bang Bang You're Dead," which was superbly staged and directed. It is a powerful, dramatic commentary on the high school shootings of recent years.

"Columbine, Jonesboro, Springfield," is the sad refrain throughout the one-act play.

I applaud Mrs. McIntosh for having the courage to present a play

about this controversial and painful subject, and her students, who performed it with heart and unrelenting honesty.

That the audience was deeply moved was evident in their stunned silence as the stage went black, and their roaring approval as the lights came up on the young players. It gave voice to our darkest fears and greatest hopes. In doing so, it gave us a way to cope with, and attempt to understand, the unthinkable.

It demonstrated, once again, how vitally important the arts and the opportunity for creative self-expression are to our youth's education.

Thank you, Mrs. McIntosh, for giving your students a voice, and then sharing it with our community.

Mary Maxson
Nogal

The curious business of teaching and learning

Yesterday was the first Thursday since early February when we were able to do something other than prepare for an evening class at the Eastern New Mexico University Ruidoso Instruction Center - the one at Sierra Mall.

Not unusual: Many hundreds of Ruidoso people take classes at ENMU-Ruidoso, and most of them are in the evening.

But this was a different sort of apple; we were teaching the class...something we hadn't even thought about doing since completing a year of college graduate work at least two wars ago. It was a most curious experience.

The outcome, of course, was that we probably learned more than did the five students Jim Miller - who runs the instruction center - entrusted to our care. (Fortunately, the class was in newswriting and reporting, something we've been doing to make a living for our whole working life. That, perhaps, is why Miller was willing to give us a try, even if we don't sport anything beyond a dog-eared bachelor's degree.)

What did we learn? That five grown-up adults with a wealth of life experience can't be spoon-fed "how to" instruction; they want more than a textbook has to offer, even if it is a very



MOUNTAIN ASIDES

KEITH GREEN

good textbook.

Upon Miller's advice, for openers we asked each student to sum up in one sentence why they were in the class.

One response was succinct: "I was curious."

We were curious, too, to see if we could show Mary Basmann, Jim

Bassett, James Boren, Summer Brooks and Curtis Counts how newswriting differs - and doesn't differ - from an informative letter they might write to a favorite aunt.

Every craft has its lingo (newswriting is a craft), and we do believe those five students now understand the meaning of such concepts as "nut graph," focus, lead and kicker. Further, they now can use them when they're writing news releases, business reports, memos or even letters to Aunt Millie.

We learned that the news media, including broadcast and the Internet, is a mystery to many, many people.

Informative, they thought, were discussions of journalism ethics and libel

law. Most of them concluded that they wouldn't want to make the kind of decisions editors are faced with almost daily - often as not, whether the public's right to know outweighs an individual's right to privacy.

Some perhaps still are not totally convinced that freedom of the press is worth the anguish, even if we are. One Thursday evening, those students watched people at the Ruidoso News office in the throes of producing a Friday edition of the newspaper.

They looked at messy desks, fancy computers, 800-pound rolls of paper, presses much the worse for wear, and watched people who had put in a very long day.

"I'll never think of a newspaper the same way again," one said...

"That's good. That's what learning is about, and it begins with curiosity, which those students - like reporters - have in abundance."

LETTERS POLICY

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RUIDOSO POLICE

Man faces complaint

A criminal complaint has been prepared against an Alto man, following allegations of battery and damage to property.

Ruidoso police were called to a residence in the 100 block of Oak Drive, where a man reported his house had been damaged and he had been punched in the mouth.

Officers said the victim did have a bloody mouth. The incident happened about 5 p.m. on May 12.

Merchant harassed

A Midtown business owner, who claimed to police he has been repeatedly harassed by a Ruidoso Downs man, has filed a disorderly conduct charge with Ruidoso police.

The business owner told officers that the activity involved a vehicle that pulls up in front of the Sudderth Drive business and honks the horn until someone comes out.

On May 9 the alleged taunting involved yelling from the center of the road.

The incidents have occurred from April 2 to May 9, according to a police report.

Gas skip reported

A gas skip, at the Diamond Shamrock station on Sudderth Drive, was reported to police on May 11.

Police were told a vehicle left the filling station without paying for \$32 in fuel. The misdemeanor larceny occurred about 8:30 p.m.

Graffiti discovered

Ruidoso police discovered graffiti scrawled on a wall behind the old Wal-Mart building at 501 W. US Highway 70.

The unauthorized graffiti involved eight different items or drawings on the wall. The vandalism was found about 8:30 a.m. May 11.

Two men arrested

Ruidoso police arrested two men May 12 after three people allegedly had stolen a sign from a Sudderth Drive lodging establishment.

An employee at Alpine Village provided police with a vehicle description and license plate number for a pick-up truck. Police found the truck nearby.

One of the three men fled

the location. The other two, Weylon D. Riley, 10, Rio Rancho and William Huber, 18, Belen, showed officers where the sign had been stowed.

The sign, valued at \$50, was returned to the Alpine Village. Officers detected an odor of alcohol on the two men, who admitted drinking beers, according to a police report.

Riley and Huber were each charged with misdemeanor larceny, under \$100 and being minors in possession of alcohol.

DWI charged

A Midland, Texas man was charged with first offense DWI and careless driving following a traffic stop by Ruidoso police.

Ryan W. Johnson, 21, was stopped after an officer reportedly clocked a vehicle driving 47 miles per hour in a 35-mile per hour zone on Sudderth Drive.

The vehicle also allegedly had crossed the center line of the road. Ryan's blood alcohol content was listed at .10 and .09, according to a police report. He allegedly admitted to the officer that he had consumed five or six beers. The DWI arrest happened at 12:10 a.m. May 12.

Mescalero parade applications accepted

Entry applications are being accepted in nine categories for the 22nd Annual Mescalero Celebration Parade.

Velma Lee Kanseah and Jonelle Geronimo are organizing the July Fourth event this year at the reservation on U.S. 70 on the road below the rodeo and ceremonial grounds.

The deadline to submit an application is 4:30 p.m., June 29. The decorations must illustrate the theme, "Apache Country: A Playground for All Seasons."

One trophy will be presented for Sweepstakes, three for floats, two for band units,

two for marching units, three for horse entries, three for traditional, one for best theme, three rosettes for bicycle entries and three rosettes for miscellaneous.

Each entry must be at the assembly point below the rodeo grounds by 10 a.m. and the parade will begin at 11 a.m.

The parade will proceed under the overpass leading to the community center parking area where it will disband. Positions will be assigned.

For more information, contact Jennifer Smith of the parade committee at (505) 484-4272 during weekdays.

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Pam can still whoop LeeAnn, and the kid probably needs

The great thing about country music is that there are so many mini-dramas going on inside it all of the time.

For instance, this week Tim McGraw and Kenny Chesney are standing trial for stealing a police horse at one of their concerts and riding off with it. A squirrely jury could put them both behind bars for a little while.

And then there's Uncle Willie and his funny cigarettes.

But the latest debacle seems to be teenager LeeAnn Rhimes' attempt to divorce her dad over a gone-bad record deal. Her appearance as host last week on the nationally televised Academy of Country Music Awards only added fuel to the fire.

LeeAnn kicked off the show giving strong reference to her lawsuit with her dad. Frankly, she acted as though

she was in need of her daddy turning her over his knee.

"I couldn't relate to her as a host," Pam Tillis told me in an interview this week. She will appear in concert at Ruidoso Downs Race Track on Sunday, May 27.

"I know why she did it; you get so much exposure when you host the show. But I'm not sure that LeeAnn got the best advice from the directors of the show. Watching her talk about her dad didn't make her audience feel comfortable."

Pam grew up in a show business family with her legendary father, Mel. She said that it's difficult to be judge-and-jury of LeeAnn's situation because only the people involved in the tussle know all the facts. "It appears that she has a beef," Pam said, "but talking on her dad on national T.V. doesn't help. You have to remember that LeeAnn is

still just a kid. She wouldn't like me saying that, but I can still whoop her."

By the way, Toby Keith, who will appear in concert here July 4, was named Male Vocalist of the Year by the Academy. His star-quality is rising so fast in country music that his upcoming appearance at the race track might be his last in Lincoln County. You see, when you get named Male Vocalist of the Year, you can add a big, fat zero to the end of your checkbook deposits.

• What a weekend coming up for Ruidoso. We got motorcycles and Miss America.

This weekend's spring motorcycle rally at the convention center is expected to draw about 6,000 two-wheeled vehicles, according to Ron Andrews. He is the coordinator of the annual event.

"All our booths are sold out, and the

weather is certainly helping," Ron said. Last year, we had a problem explaining to people that our town wasn't on fire. This year we'll see a lot more motorcycles because they can camp out in the forest—they couldn't do that last year.

For those motorcyclists who don't like sleeping next to a bear, lodging is an option and at a premium.

There will be a poker-run with a \$5,000 top-cash jackpot, so we're all in for quite a noisy weekend. But like my cattle-ranching buddies say, "that's the smell of a strong economy."

Meanwhile, Lee Meriwether, who won her Miss America title representing California in 1955, will appear in Neil Simon's funny play "Plaza Suite" in two Spencer Theater performances on Saturday. The play kicks off Spencer's summer season. For ticket information, telephone 336-4800.

I had a big crush on Lee as a child. She played Catwoman to my hero, Batman, in the famous 1960's movie. In those days she looked great in cat-leather.

• About this 505 thing, you watch. When it's all said and done, Albuquerque will get to keep the area code, even though last week a regulatory panel voted for rural New Mexico to retain it.

The city was given the 957-code this week, but Albuquerque attorneys are hard at work trying to overturn the panel's vote in order to keep 505 up there.

Then again, if that's all we have to argue about, things aren't so bad.

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

FUNERALS DEATHS

Mary Lou Skipper

The funeral for Mary Lou Luck Skipper of Ozark, Ala. was May 4 at the Asbury United Methodist Church in Asbury, Ala.

Mrs. Skipper was a native of New Mexico, born Feb. 11,

1924 to the late Barney and Rebecca Luck of Alto, who were proprietors of the Alto Store and Post Office until 1953.

She graduated from Capitan High School in 1942.

She is survived by her husband of 57 years, Cullen F. Skipper of Ozark; two daugh-

ters and their husbands, Laurie and Rodney Dasinger of Panama City, Fla., and Louvena and Melvin Johnson of Eufaula, Ala., and two grandchildren, Bryan and Elizabeth Johnson.

She also is survived by her four sisters, Gracie England of

Midwest City, Okla., Hazel Mayer of Oklahoma City, Louise Perkins of Sun City, Ariz., and Reba Barber and her husband, Ralph, of Alto.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Barney and Rebecca Luck and her brother, Barney Luck Jr. of Alto.

Ruidoso Downs police arrest three

Three New Mexico men were arrested by Ruidoso Downs police.

After a traffic stop at Short Street and Harris Lane, Waylon D. Riley, 19, of Rio Rancho, was charged with first offense DWI and driving with a suspended license. Brandon P. Holly, 20, of Bosque, was taken

into custody for two outstanding warrants. William Huber, 18, of Belen, was charged with being a minor in possession of alcohol.

All three were taken to the jail at the Ruidoso Downs police station. The arrest occurred about 9:45 p.m. on May 12.

MILITARY SERVICE

Matt B. Goff

Matt B. Goff has joined the United States Army under the Delayed Entry Program, which gives young men and women the opportunity to delay entering active duty for up to one year.

The enlistment gives the new soldier the option to learn a new skill, travel and become eligible to receive as much as \$50,000 toward a college education.

Goff, a 2000 graduate of Ruidoso High School, will report to Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C., for basic training.

He is the son of Terri L. Hardeman of 207 Lookout Drive, Ruidoso, and Clifford E. Goff of Tampa, Fla.

Third-grader wins poster contest

Cassandra Everett, a third-grader at White Mountain Elementary, won on the local, regional and national level with her poster for the Smokey Bear-Woodsy Owl 2000 Contest.

Sponsored by the New Mexico Garden Clubs, children across the country competed. In Lincoln County, 49 third graders and 55 fourth graders entered their work.

Everett, who took first in regional and third in national, will be honored along with two regional winners at 9:45 a.m. May 24 at the school. The regional winners were Patrick Lundquist, who took second place for first grade, and Dexter Chee, who took second place for fourth grade.

People locally will only get to see Everett's work in a photograph. The original became the property of the U.S. Forest Service and will hang in the foyer of the Forest Service Building in Washington D.C. during the summer.

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ON THE SURFACE



Jarrell Rice, administrator of the Billy the Kid National Scenic Byway Visitors Center checks parking lot paving recently at the center on U.S. Highway 70 in Ruidoso Downs. Rice said the paving, funded through a grant, will be a big help during bad weather.

Ruidoso Downs close to final budget

Trustees have come up with a balanced plan and could have their final session Tuesday.

BY JAMES MAUELAGE RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

With a proposed budget for the coming fiscal year in balance, Ruidoso Downs trustees will meet for what could be a final budgeting workshop on Tuesday.

Already, trustees trimmed the level of temporary employees for 2001-2002, cut some

equipment purchases and reined in overtime.

"They kept overtime in the streets department for overtime for snow removal (\$12,000) and the community clean-up (\$7,000)," said Gladys Dillard, village clerk.

Revenues for 2001-2002, including a \$600,000 cash balance carryover from the previous budget, are expected to reach just over \$3 million.

Also sliced from the expenditure budget was \$64,000 that had been proposed for a new fire department storage build-

ing, Dillard said. Another approximately \$42,000 was trimmed from equipment or building requests for the village shop.

Funding to hire a village administrator, which Ruidoso Downs is in the process of selecting, is included in the pending budget. With salary, benefits and other amenities the village administrator's position would cost the village \$68,816 annually.

The May 22 workshop, which is open to the public, will begin at 6:30 p.m.

Personnel costs increase police budget

BY JAMES MAUELAGE RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Personnel costs will drive up the Ruidoso Police Department budget.

Total expenditures for fiscal year 2001-2002 are tentatively set at over \$2 million, compared to \$1.86 million for 2000-2001.

Diminishing grant funding will be the largest impact on

revenues.

On the other side of the ledger, higher salaries and increased fringe benefit expenses, particularly health insurance coverage, will much of the expenditure hike.

Police chief Lanny G. Maddox called the higher salaries in the department a "good thing."

"The only reason I'm losing officers is we're not competi-

tive," Maddox said of salaries.

"We're getting competitive with the state on comparative sized communities. We want to serve and protect the community and we want to do it with professional people long-term."

The police chief said two officers recently left Ruidoso to take higher paying law enforcement jobs in Albuquerque and Phoenix.

Two projects are under way to preserve fast-fading memories of Lincoln County.

Members of the Lincoln County Historical Society don't want to see the heritage and historic past of the area lost and recently obtained grants from the New Mexico Historical Advisory Board, the Hubbard Foundation and the New Mexico Historical Society for two projects on historical photographs and oral history.

Participants in the Historical Photographs Project

aim to collect, archive and make available to the public photographs of historical significance to the county. To date, the society gathered 1,500 historic photos that are available on the computer at the organization's archives in Carrizozo.

People willing to donate photographs still are needed. Original pictures can be copied and returned to the owner.

To capture memories from older residents of the county who remember stories told by their grandparents and par-

ents, and the events of their earlier days, the society inaugurated an Oral History Program.

Project head Karen Mills is looking for people willing to share their recollections with future generations. Volunteers also are needed to conduct the oral history interviews. To volunteer for either end of the project, contact Mills at (505) 648-2128.

Alden Ritch heads the photography project and can be reached at (505) 257-7480.

Retirement Party for CURTIS LATHAN Administrator of Ruidoso Christian School. May 21st, 2001 • 5:30 - 7:00pm. All parents/students, past or present, are encouraged to come wish Mr. Lathan a Happy Retirement!

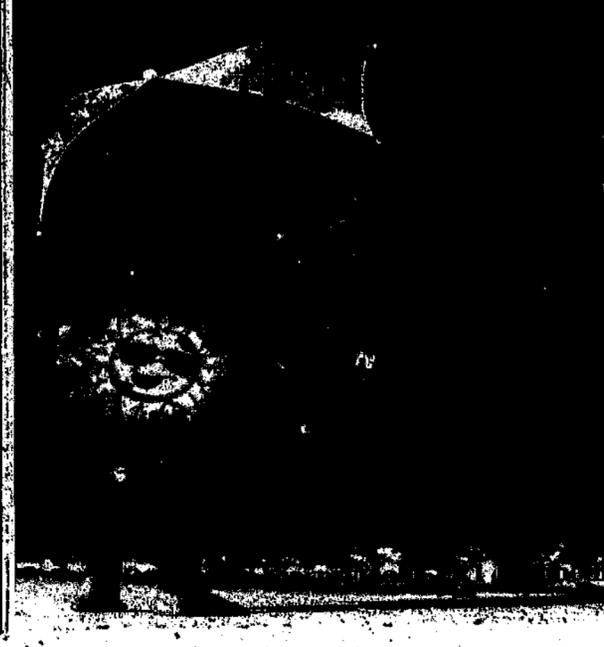
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RHS football coach resigns; Carter to resume reins

Ex-head coach Rodney Webb is headed to Texas, giving Les Carter a chance to run the team he led from 1995 to 1999.

BY WES SCHWENGELS
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

After a year's absence, Les Carter will resume his job as head football coach at Ruidoso High School, taking over for the recently resigned Rodney Webb.

Webb, a Texas native, announced that he would not

be returning for a second year as head coach Tuesday. Instead, he has accepted a coaching position at a large high school in the Austin, Texas area.

Ruidoso moved quickly, naming Carter as the new coach Thursday. RHS athletic director Roy Wall said a swift decision was crucial, as he wanted to have returning players know who their coach was before the school year was over.

"It was a fairly sudden situation," Wall said in an interview Thursday. "We wanted to do it (name a coach) before the kids would leave."

After a disappointing 2000 season that saw the Warriors miss the playoffs for the first time since 1995, Carter hopes to lead the team to prominence once again.

"I hope that we can do a great job," Carter said Thursday.

"We've got great kids. ... The men who coach here are good men."

Carter led the Warriors from 1995-1999, a span that included

a run to the State Championship game in 1998. Ruidoso also finished ranked No. 3 in the final regular season Associated Press poll in 1999, but the Warriors were eliminated in the first round of the playoffs. He resigned in December 1999

for personal reasons, but said the year off made him hungry to coach again.

"Coaching's one of these things that get in your blood,"

he said. "I missed it. I missed working with the kids."

Wall agreed, saying he believed Carter was more than ready to resume the reins.

"He had done it for five years and needed to get away from it for a while," Wall said. "He realized how passionate he was for coaching football. I think the year off might have done him good."

Carter said he will begin working with the team soon, as he is a "big believer in off-season programs." He said he believes the Warriors have every chance to make a run to the state playoffs this fall.

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Les Carter
New RHS football head coach

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On Deck

Girls Basketball Camp
Ruidoso High School will be hosting a youth basketball camp for girls May 29 through June 1. The camp is for incoming fourth-through eighth-graders. Registration is \$50 due by May 18. Camp sessions will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day; lunch will be provided. Participants will receive a T-shirt, and individual awards will be given out. For more information or to sign up, call Albert Ronquillo at 258-4910.

Basketball Tournament
The Mary Brown Boys Basketball Tournament will run May 19-20 at the Bulldog Pit in Artesia. Players may register in open, under-16, under-14 or under-12 divisions. Copy of a birth certificate or report card is required for youth divisions. Entry fee is \$175 per team and there is limited space. For more information or to sign up, call Coach Garcia at (505) 746-2354 or 746-2806 or e-mail degarcia@bulldogs.org.

Summer Bowling Leagues
Summer bowling leagues will begin May 22 and 24 at the Ruidoso Bowling Center. To sign up or for more information, call Lucy Servis at 258-4103 or the Ruidoso Bowling Center at 258-3557.

Benefit Race
The Village of Ruidoso Parks and Recreation Dept. is partnering in the "Run the Mesa" 10K and 5K road race, scheduled for June 16. The race benefits colon cancer research. The course will begin at the entrance to the Spencer Theater, travel highway 220 east, and turns back to the theater. For more information, call Bob Edwards at 627-5507 or 624-8830 or fax 627-6028.

Relay for Life
The 2001 American Cancer Society's Relay for Life will take place at Ruidoso High School. The relay will give Lincoln County residents a chance to honor cancer survivors and victims by bringing teams of 12-15 people to the RHS track, where team members will take turns walking for 15 hours. The event will take place from 6 p.m., July 13, to noon, July 14. If you are interested in registering a team, sponsoring the event or for more information, call 378-4786.

Baseball Tournament
USSSA Baseball will host a World Series Qualifying Tournament in Ruidoso, May 25-28. Age divisions 7- to 18-year-olds. Top four teams in each age group qualify. There will also be a qualifying and Super Series event in Las Cruces, July 1-4. Age divisions 7U (T-ball), 8- to 18-year-olds. For more information, call Rodney Latham at (505) 392-3644 or Phil Latham at (915) 689-8718, e-mail usssa@att.net or ussanm@att.net or visit http://usssa.home.att.net.

Junior golf tour
The Sun Country PGA Section is now accepting application for the 2001 Sun Country PGA Junior Golf Tour. The winners of the boys and girls divisions of the Section Championship will compete at the national Westfield Junior PGA Championship in Westfield Center, Ohio, July 18-21. Junior golfers, ages 7-17, may qualify at any of the nine qualifier sites featured in the 2001 tour by obtaining a membership in either the Junior Tour or the Pepsi Tour. Membership information may be obtained at suncountry.pga.com or by calling (505) 867-4690.

Summer Football Camp
The 2001 Alltel Brian Urlacher Football Camp will be held June 18-21 at Rio Rancho High School in Rio Rancho. The camp is open to youths ages 8-18. Participants may take part in morning or afternoon sessions, which will feature pro athletes, including Brian Urlacher, Lavar Arrington of the Washington Redskins and WCW wrestler Diamond Dallas Page. Tuition is \$130 before June 1, and \$145 after. Campers will receive a 30 percent discount at the Hilton Garden Inn, (505) 895-1111. For more information or to sign up, call (505) 243-5673 or (505) 396-3559, or write P.O. Box 91091, Albuquerque, NM 87199.

Sports Tournaments
Adult softball, adult volleyball and youth baseball tournaments will be held Memorial Day weekend at Sportspark El Paso. The softball and volleyball tournaments will be May 26-28, with a \$110 entry fee for softball and a \$75 fee for volleyball due by May 23 at 7 p.m. The youth baseball contest will have four divisions for kids age 4-14 from May 25-28, with an entry fee due by May 21. For more information, call Chris Najera at (915) 857-7878.

Fighting to help

Ruidoso Boxing Club aims to assist kids both in and out of the ring

BY TODD BUTTS
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Although few people have heard of it, there is a club in town helping several Ruidoso youths.

The Ruidoso Boxing Club is a nonprofit organization trying to give back to young people and community.

Established in 1997 by David Chadwell and Kathleen Allensworth, the RBC is a member of USA Boxing.

The primary goal of the RBC is to teach young athletes the beneficial effects of sports participation in an enjoyable and recreational setting. The instructors believe amateur boxing parallels life in that one needs to learn and grow every day.

The boxing club achieved success early. One of their standouts, Hallie Landrum, had been training for only two years when she won the national Golden Gloves title at age 16 in the 109-pound weight class in Augusta, Ga.

Her brother, Jeremy Landrum, also benefited from the boxing club. When he was 15, Jeremy began training at the program, he weighed 156 pounds. After training hard,



TODD BUTTS/STAFF

Brian Crow, 11, works out on the heavy bag at the Ruidoso Boxing Club last weekend. The RBC is a four-year-old organization that aims to help Ruidoso youths by teaching the benefits of sports participation and improving their lives.

he trimmed all the way down to the 106-pound weight class and won the state championship in 2000.

Coaches Chadwell and Allensworth, both of whom are certified, believe amateur boxing should be fun. The surest way to do this, they say, is keep it safe. They

accomplish this by teaching the fundamentals and the proper use of safety equipment.

"Believe in yourself and you can do anything. If you can think it, you can do it," Chadwell said. "That's all

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Three 8th-graders see varsity track action

BY TODD BUTTS
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Three Ruidoso eighth-graders stepped up and tasted varsity track action this year. The trio competed in three varsity meets, including the District 4AAA meet in Lovington. One even qualified for state but was unable to attend.

After a weather-shortened track season for the eighth-grade track team, it was a great reward for these three girls to compete with the high school squad. The girls proved themselves not only athletically, but also academically. All three girls are honor roll students.

Sarah Raterman and Kara Sparks were invited because their performance in the half mile was so close to state qualifying times.

Sara Breecher was asked because of her sprinting ability. She ran in three different relays for the high school track team at one time or another, competing in the 400-meter, the 800-meter and the mile relays. Breecher qualified for State in the 800 relay.

"I am proud of them for even being asked," said eighth-grade coach Colt Harrelson. "It is quite an honor to be able to run at a varsity track meet as an eighth grader. It is quite an accomplishment."



TODD BUTTS/STAFF

Ruidoso Warrior eighth-graders Sarah Raterman (left), Sara Breecher and Kara Sparks pose at the District 4AAA meet in Lovington. The trio was good enough to see time at varsity meets this season.

Warriors get 4 softball All-District first-teamers

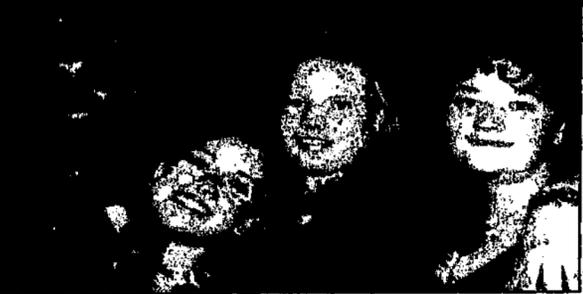
After a tremendous year highlighted by a late-season run to the playoffs, the Ruidoso High School softball team was

honored as eight of its players received All-District recognition.

Sophomore Simona Ramos, junior Lynda Celusniak, and seniors Crystal Gheer and

Kathy Hightower were named to the All-District 4AAA team, while Dusti Franklin, Mara Jusus, Timea Eckerdt and Erin Nutting were second-team.

The Lady Warriors were a comeback success, as they made up a four-game deficit to advance to the Class AAA regional playoffs. They narrowly lost to Shiprock there to end their season.



COURTESY

Lady Warrior softball All-District first-team members, from left: Simona Ramos, Lynda Celusniak, Crystal Gheer and Kathy Hightower.

It's still Seabiscuit, wire to wire

Horse players, rejoice! The season is upon us.

One week from today, the starting gate will fly open with a bell-ringing clang on the first race of the 55th season at Ruidoso Downs, and within a few seconds the winner will be crossing the finish line. Best of all, you may have its number.

BY BOB LARUE
RUIDOSO DOWNS

A fine preparation for the excitement ahead is a new book about a great horse, "Seabiscuit: An American

Legend," by Laura Hillenbrand (Random House). Actually, the book is about far more than Seabiscuit. Hillenbrand painstakingly recreates the atmosphere of Thoroughbred racing in the late 1930s, particularly as it existed at Santa Anita Park, the queen of all race tracks with its pre-smog crystalline setting at the foot of the San Gabriel Mountains; at Tijuana, Mexico, where on a hill above the track Molino Rojo, the largest brothel in the world, flashed its winking red lights at the two-dollar bettors below; and at Tanforan, Belmont, Pimlico and some lesser tracks as well because Seabiscuit raced at them all.

Seabiscuit criss-crossed the country by train (eventually in his own Pullman car) again and again, his owner, C.S. Howard, seeking to dispel the prejudice the Eastern racing establishment had against the West, where "the Biscuit" earned his early reputation. During his travels (six years of racing), he "won 33 races and set 13 track records at eight tracks over six distances," says Hillenbrand. "He had smashed a world record in the shortest of sprints, one half mile, yet had the stamina to run in track record time at one and five-eighths miles." Throughout his career he carried the heaviest weights yet

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BOXING: Club aims to help youths learn

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we are trying to teach the kids. I am hoping they go on to be successful in life, having the courage to chase their goals."

If you would like more information or to sponsor the Ruidoso Boxing Club, they are located at 100 Gavilan Canyon Road, No. C or call 430-7830 and ask for David Chadwell or Kathleen Allensworth.



Brian Crow trains at the Ruidoso Boxing Club. TODD BUTTS/STAFF

RHS: Carter to take over football helm

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"This group of kids is stronger, as a whole, than any group since I've been here," he said.

As for the transition between coaches, Carter said he doesn't think it will be much of a problem. Webb worked as the defensive co-ordinator under Carter before Carter resigned in 1999. Carter said he "highly recommended" Webb for the vacant spot during that change.

"I think he is a fine man," Carter said. "I think he did a

good job. I'm not going to make a huge amount of changes."

Webb led the Warriors to a 6-4 overall record last year.

Carter will have a challenge next season, as the Warriors lose All-District first-teamers J.R. Floyd, Sean Sebastian,

Ben Lundquist, Thatcher Hampton, and Coda Hall.

Carter did not step entirely away from Warrior athletics, as he coached the girls golf team this year to a district championship and berth in the State Tournament. He will continue to coach the girls next year.

But his focus is understandably on football right now.

"I'm excited to be back," he said. "I think good things will happen. The community always been very supportive of what we've done and I ask for them to continue that support."

LARUE: Seabiscuit was a star

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still managed to set track records carrying 130 and 133 pounds, "while conceding massive amounts of weight to his opponents."

No one expected this kind of achievement from the stumpy, square-shaped, crooked-legged claimer that was Seabiscuit at the beginning of his career. A grandson of Man o' War, his appearance belied it, but his heart was all granddaddy. It took the faith and skill of three men to tap that reserve of greatness and give Seabiscuit to the world, where he became, in the midst of the Depression, a cultural hero as large as Babe Ruth had been a decade earlier. His name and his image were everywhere; his fans numbered in the millions; 78,000 people attended his last race.

Howard, the owner, was an optimistic, ebullient self-made millionaire who was infatuated with horses and racing. He hired his complete opposite, Tom Smith, a former cowboy and a loner who was a man of fewest words, to train his horse, and Smith hired Red Pollard, a sometime prizefighter with literary tastes who could also ride anything with hair on it, to be his jockey. They shared in common an absolute belief in the greatness of their horse, and

they made that belief stand up. When Pollard was injured in a riding accident, George Woolf,

perhaps the best jockey of his time, rode Seabiscuit. Woolf and Pollard were good friends for many years, dating from their early riding days in Tijuana,

when they would share a primitive sort of sauna by burrowing with the other jockeys into a huge pile of steaming horse manure in order to lose weight.

Smith, the mystery man, was the perfect trainer for Seabiscuit. He had learned on the grasslands of Wyoming to be what we might now call a "horse whisperer." He communicated with horses better than he did with people, and he communicated with Seabiscuit better than anyone. The two were inseparable, day and night, and the relationship bore a bountiful harvest. When he retired in 1940, "the Biscuit" had earned \$437,730, tops for a Thoroughbred at the time.

Hillenbrand follows the stories of each of these men as their racing careers and lives

play out. In the case of Pollard and Smith, there was bitterness at the end. Woolf died

suddenly in a race at Santa Anita one winter day in 1946. A year later, Seabiscuit was dead and Howard, the sunny-sided owner, fol-

lowed him three years later. Throughout the telling, Hillenbrand regales us with story upon story of track life and the intense and dangerous world of the races themselves. Graphic and tightly written, the descriptions of the races are the next best thing to being there.

But it is finally the horse - the great hearted, heavy sleeping, overeating speed merchant at any distance, Seabiscuit - that is the center of the book. Hillenbrand lovingly chronicles his dramatic growth to greatness. She caps it with a stirring account of Seabiscuit's final effort to win the Santa Anita Derby, a triumph that had eluded him and his connections all throughout his career. Hillenbrand gives her horse a masterful ride. It's Seabiscuit, wire to wire.

Lobo QB about to leave

Ex-starter Jeremy Denson says he will transfer to Division I-AA Florida A&M after last year's hard-luck season.

ALBUQUERQUE (AP) — Former Lobo quarterback Jeremy Denson is trading the University of New Mexico for Florida A&M.

"It's pretty much a done deal," he said. "I just have to get them all the paperwork."

The 6-foot-2, 180-pound Denson was a junior college All-American at Navarro (Texas) College who was pegged to showcase the Lobos' high-powered offense during the 2000 season.

He was handed the starting quarterback job when he arrived here last August, but

struggled in his two starts, both losses. He completed only 11 of 32 passes for 105 yards and two interceptions and rushed for minus-16 yards on 24 carries. He was pulled midway through the second game.

His only other action came in a backup role four weeks later, in which he tore a ligament in his knee.

He intended to battle for the starting job in spring practice, but sprained the wrist on his throwing hand before practice.

Denson said he was not bit-

ter, but that things just didn't work out at New Mexico.

"I feel like I never had enough time to get into the offense," Denson said. "Everybody got impatient, and the offense kind of went in a different direction. ... I wonder what would've happened had I been able to play with the changes they were making in the offense."

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Jeremy Denson, Former UNM starting quarterback

"We wish him the best of luck," Lobos coach Rocky Long said. "If he thinks his career can flourish better at a Division I-AA school than it can here, then he should take that opportunity."

PUBLIC HEARING ANNOUNCEMENT

and Notice of Availability of a Draft Environmental Impact Statement
For Proposed Improvements to US Highway 70: Ruidoso Downs to Riverside
Lincoln County, New Mexico -- Project # AC-MIP-070-4(35)

The New Mexico State Highway and Transportation Department (NMSHTD), in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), has completed a draft environmental impact statement (DEIS) for the proposed reconstruction of US 70 from just east of Ruidoso Downs to east of Riverside, New Mexico (milepost 264.5 to milepost 302). The purpose of the proposed reconstruction of US 70 is to improve safety of travel and to facilitate the adopted economic development goals of the State.



Two reconstruction alternatives and a No Action alternative are under consideration. Each of the reconstruction alternatives would widen the existing highway by adding travel lanes and/or passing lanes, and consistent width shoulders. Details about each alternative under consideration will be presented at the public hearings and are included in the draft EIS.

Two public hearings will be held to present information about the proposed improvements, the findings of the draft EIS, and to provide the public with an opportunity to comment on the actions proposed by the NMSHTD and FHWA. The public hearings will also provide an opportunity for the public to comment on cultural resource findings and recommendations, and pedestrian, equestrian, and bicycle issues associated with the proposed highway reconstruction. The information presented at each hearing will be the same. The dates, times and locations of the meetings are as follows:

Date: Tuesday June 5, 2001	Date: Wednesday June 6, 2001
Time: 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm - Open House 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm - Presentation 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm - Questions/Comments	Time: 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm - Open House 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm - Presentation 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm - Questions/Comments
Place: Ruidoso Convention Center 111 Sierra Blanca Drive, Ruidoso, NM	Place: Hondo Valley School Gymnasium Hondo, NM

Copies of the draft EIS are available for review at the following locations:

NMSHTD District 2 Offices 4505 West Second Street Roswell, NM 88262 (505) 624-3301	Village of Ruidoso 313 Cree Meadows Ruidoso, NM 88345 (505) 258-4343	Village of Hondo Downs 122 Downs Drive Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346 (505) 378-4222
Hondo Valley Schools Hondo, NM 88336 (505) 653-4411	Ruidoso Public Library 107 Kansas City Rd. Ruidoso, NM 88345 (505) 258-3704	Parsons Brinckerhoff 5881 Osuna Rd. NE Albuquerque, NM 87109 (505) 881-5357

A copy of the draft EIS can be viewed and downloaded on-line at www.us70hondovalley.com.
Written comments on the draft EIS will be accepted until July 6, 2001. Comments should be mailed to the attention of David Pennington at Parsons Brinckerhoff, Suite 200, 5801 Osuna Road, NE, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87109, or faxed to Mr. Pennington at (505) 881-7602.

Additional information about the draft EIS and public hearings can be obtained from David Pennington at the above address or by calling (505) 881-5357, Luis Alba, NMSHTD Project Development Engineer, Room 224, 1120 Cerrillos Road, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504, (505) 872-9857, or Steve Reed, Environmental Section, Room 213, 1120 Cerrillos Road, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504 (505) 872-5254.

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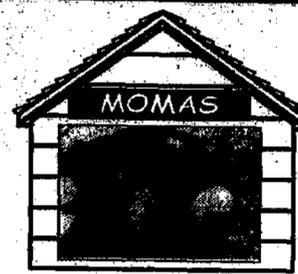
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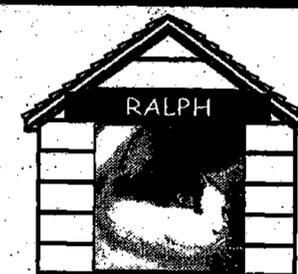
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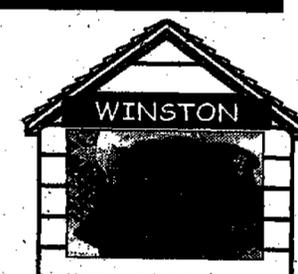
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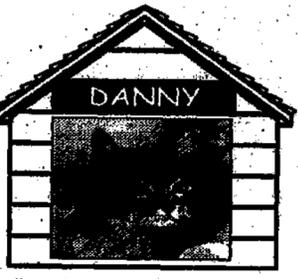
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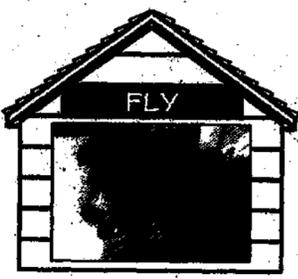
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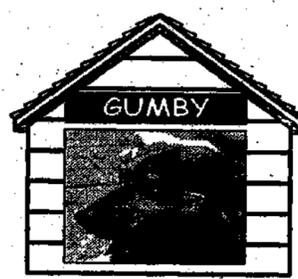
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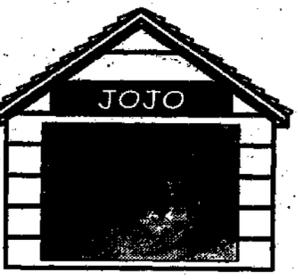
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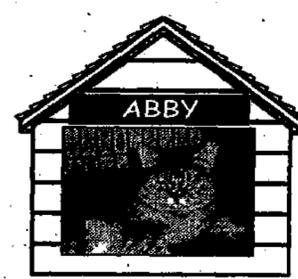
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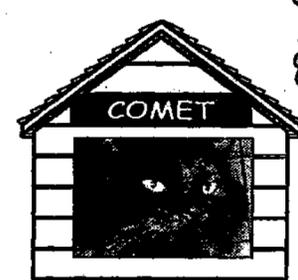
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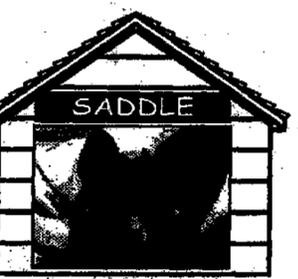
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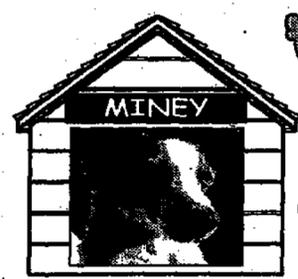
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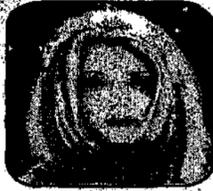
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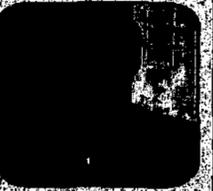
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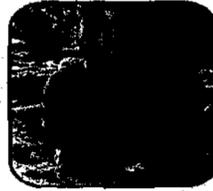
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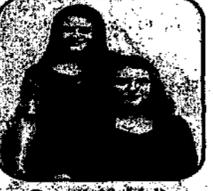
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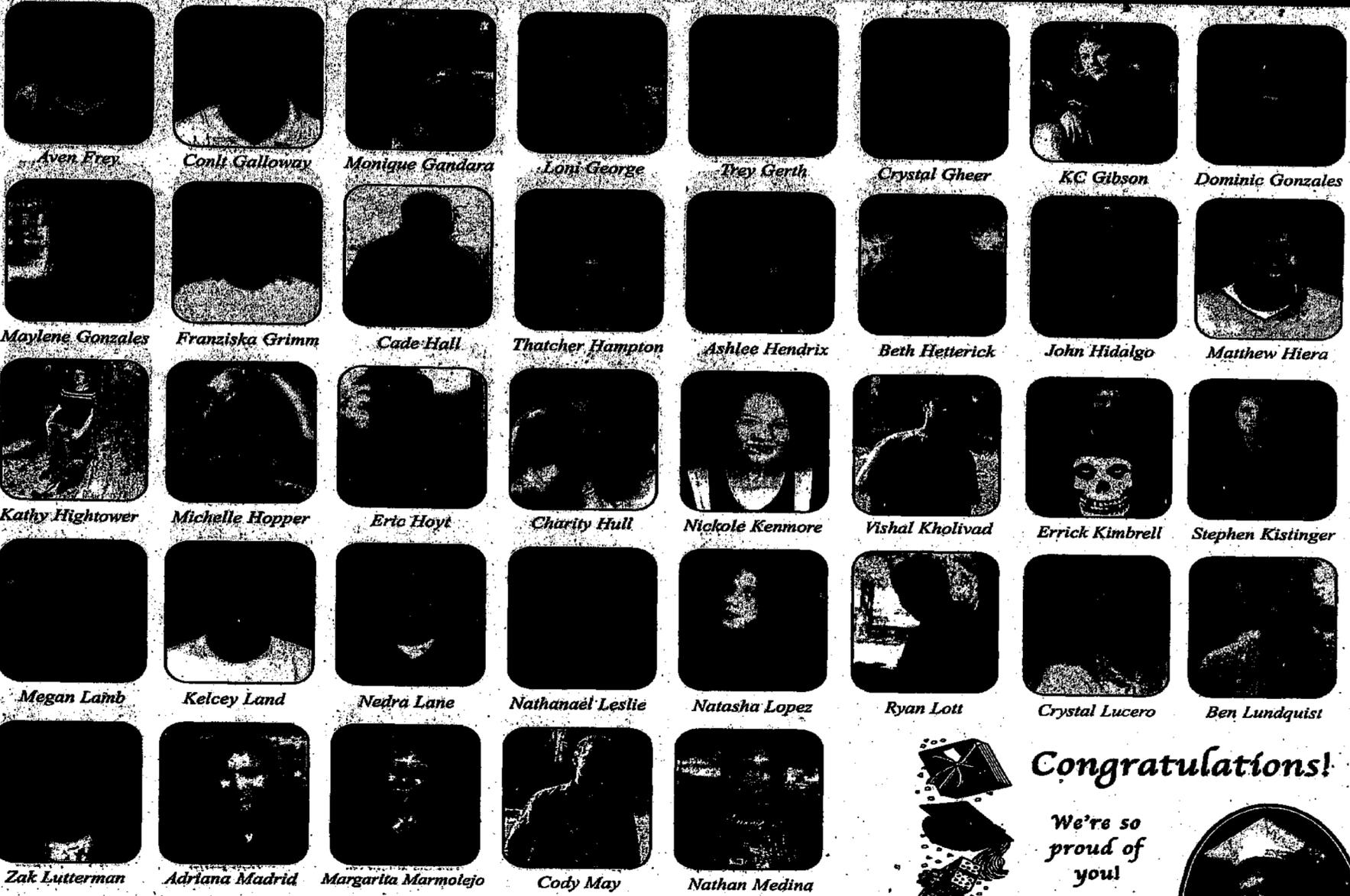


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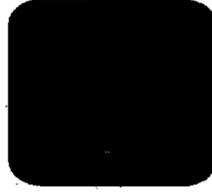
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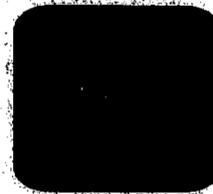
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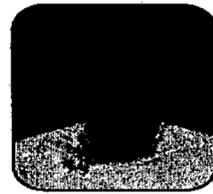
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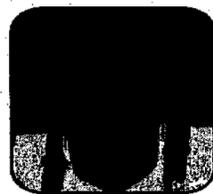
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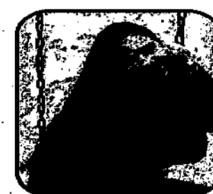
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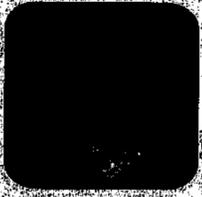
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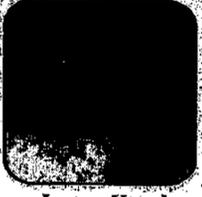
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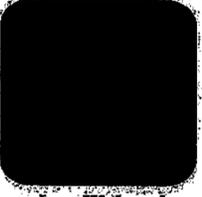
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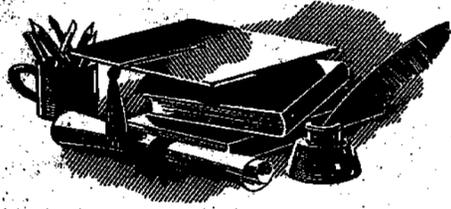
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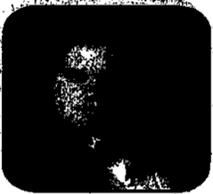
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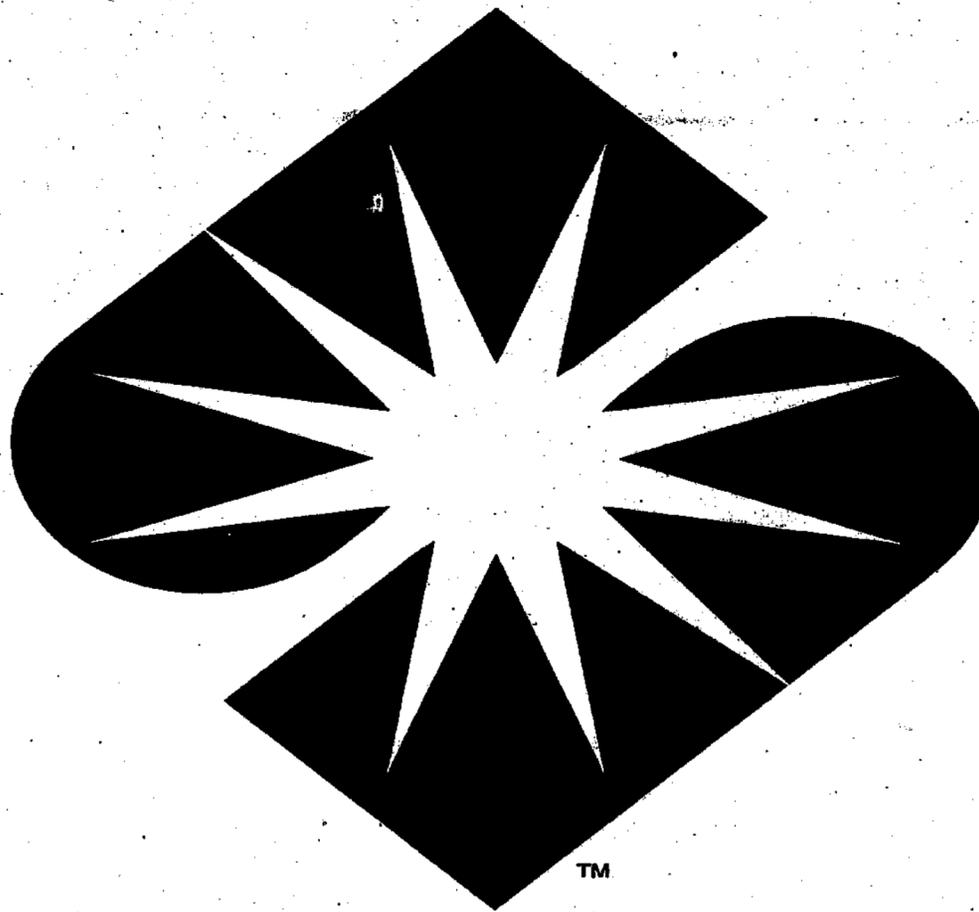
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GLAD GRADS

Mother and daughter receive diplomas at ENMU-Portales, only 72 and 45 years after first starting college.

BY SANDY SUGGITT
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Mary Louise Hall Joiner received a degree from Eastern New Mexico University Saturday — the day before she turned 92, and 72 years after she enrolled at Texas Technological College. Graduating with her was her daughter, Della Bonnell of Glencoe, who first enrolled at ENMU-Portales 45 years ago.

It was her daughter who got the bug to get her mother's degree, after reading a "Dear Abbey" column about a woman who received her Ph.D. when she was 92. Bonnell talked to Jim Miller, director of the ENMU Ruidoso Instruction Center, and the two of them went through Joiner's transcripts and records.

They discovered that both women lacked six credit hours to graduate with associate of arts degrees. In the case of Joiner, the university waived the requirement, but Bonnell took her six hours.

A school teacher in Hondo from 1932 until 1941, Joiner quit teaching to work as Hondo postmaster until 1979, something that seems to be in the genes, because Bonnell retired two years ago from the post office there, and many other members of the family have worked for post offices.

The education of Mary Louise Hall

Joiner attended school in Chico, Texas for a short time before the family moved to their claim near Ancho in December 1917. There, her mother, who had a normal school certificate, home-schooled her and her younger brother. In 1920, her mother died of what Joiner now thinks was polio, and in 1921 Joiner attended the brand new school in Ancho, entering the fourth grade.

"The school building had two rooms side by side; one was used for primary through third and the other, for fourth through eighth," she told her children about her education (Joiner's recollections were told to her children, who recorded them).

"Once our sow belly (similar to salt pork without the salt) sandwiches were packed in our lard buckets, Virgil and I would ride Roanie a mile to the school bus stop. I'd tie the reins together and hang them on the saddle horn and she'd go home, assuring Papa we had caught the bus."

Joiner remembers the driver, Barney Wilson, and the school bus: a truck with boards along the sides and in the middle, covered with canvas, "much like a covered wagon...and sometimes the exhaust made me sick," she recalled.

Joiner continued school in Ancho and spent her first two years of high school in Carrizozo, where her grandmother lived. Her father remarried in 1923 and the family moved back to Chico to take care of Joiner's step-grandmother. After her death, the family returned to New Mexico — except for

Joiner and her brother, Virgil, who boarded in Chico and finished high school there, with Joiner doing housework in exchange.

In 1929, Joiner enrolled at Texas Tech in Lubbock, paying her way with her fourth of her mother's inheritance, but it was no picnic, according to her recollections:

"In exchange for my room and board with the Joneses I babysat their little boy. Their home was a couple of blocks from the Yellow House Tea Room, where I also waited tables. Often I was so tired I'd fall asleep studying."

Joiner remembers with pride that the first class ever to graduate from Texas Tech graduated the year she was a freshman liberal arts student determined to be a teacher. But after two years and 76.66 credits, she had to drop out for financial reasons.

She returned to New Mexico and staked a claim on 640 acres about a mile from her father's claim near the foot of Jack's Peak, but lost the claim when she moved to Hondo to substitute teach (not knowing that she could have filed a paper with the clerk stating that she had to live away from the claim to make a living).

"My teaching career began when it became known that the primary teacher at Ancho was expecting a child and I was appointed to fill her term," she said. A that time women teachers were not allowed to teach once they began to show they were pregnant.

She completed her requirements for a teaching certificate at the New Mexico State Teachers College in Silver City in the summer of 1932. After that, she did her student teaching in Albuquerque as part of her coursework for two-year licensing from the state of New Mexico. Joiner signed a contract with District No. 20 (Hondo) to teach primary, first and second grades for nine months, beginning on Sept. 5, 1932, at a salary of \$100 per school month (that amount would go down in subsequent years, reaching a low of \$81 toward the end of her teaching career, when World War II broke out). In 1940, she went back to school to renew her teaching certificate — at the first ENMU class to be held in Ruidoso, a class on flora of the Southwest taught by a "Dr. Reed."

She taught 47 children. Facilities for the children were sparse: outdoor toilets, and the children used the irrigation ditch to wash their hands. For drinking water, they had a bucket with a common dipper, but some children drank from the irrigation



Della Joiner Bonnell and Mary Louise Hall Joiner received two standing ovations from those attending spring graduation at ENMU-Portales when they received their diplomas last Saturday.

SANDY SUGGITT/STAFF

ditch. It was the teacher's job to treat *piajos* (lice), ringworms, scrapes and bruises, although the county nurse came to do inoculations.

"I remember when I started teaching, there was a Mr. Steve Hernandez, originally from Mexico," Joiner said. "The first day of school he came over with his children, very polite and gracious and said, 'These are my children and I'm bringing them over here to you, Miss Hall, to teach them something, and if they don't mind and do what you tell them, why you whip them, and then when they get home, I'll whip them again.' I never whipped them," she said laughing. "I didn't have any problem with his children; they always behaved."

Then she remembers a time when she did paddle one: "I paddled one of his sons one time. He put a little snake that he killed on the way to school, in my desk drawer, and I made him carry it out to the orchard and throw it away." She also made him select a switch from a cherry tree, which she used when he returned.

In 1941, Joiner was appointed as postmaster in Hondo; with five children to care for and the post office at one end of her house, she was able to do both. She said the postmaster position paid more than teaching and was a "benefited" position, but she used her education even there, she said, especially her college Spanish.

"During the war, one of my patrons would receive letters in Spanish from her son who was off fighting. She couldn't read them, of course; she could not read English either. I would read them and we would cry together. I had two brothers and a cousin who served. When Mexican aliens came to the valley to work the apples, I was able to help them fill out their money orders to send most of their wages home. I made out money orders to pay bills for one patron who spoke only Spanish. And when it came to ordering from catalogs, I translated descriptions and prices to many. Of course, the postal system would not allow that now. Early in my postal career I realized how valuable the dreaded math skills were as I was responsible for balancing my books every day after closing and developing quarterly reports."

...and, after 72 years

Joiner's daughter, Della, said the mother-daughter graduation in Portales was wonderful, that her mother was honored and both were treated like royalty. Afterward, they had dinner out, celebrating the dual graduations, Joiner's birthday and Mother's Day, with about 18 family members who had traveled to Portales for the graduation ceremony.

"She got two standing ovations," Bonnell said. "When they announced the circumstances — a mother-daughter team graduating together — the whole crowd and students stood up and turned around. When we received the diplomas, there was another standing ovation with cameras going off like Marilyn Monroe coming down the ramp. She (Joiner) bowed and thanked them and was diplomatic and very elegant."

looking back

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MAY 17, 1901

From the Capitan Progress

L. Hale of the Ruidoso country was in town attending to business in Lincoln County's metropolis. Mr. Hale reports the fruit crop on the Ruidoso to be very promising with the exception of the peach crop which will be rather light this year. Mr. Hale is one of the county's most successful fruit growers and always manages to find a ready market for his excellent fruit.

W. C. McDonald, manager of the Bar W ranch at Carrizozo, passed through Capitan this week on his way home from court at Lincoln.

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MAY 18, 1951

Mrs. Snyder to run La Fiesta

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MAY 19, 1961

Jeep trip planned to White Mt.

As many 4-wheel Jeeps and other make vehicles with 4-wheel drive as possible will be assembled at the Ruidoso Ranger Station at 9:30 Sunday morning to carry as many as can be seated into White Mountain Park for an inspection of the site of the Sierra Blanca Corporation's recreation area now under construction.

MAY 21, 1971

Hine elected to state presidency

James L. "Jim" Hine, well into his 11th year as Clerk-Manager of the Village of Ruidoso, was elected to the presidency of the powerful New Mexico City-County Managers Association during the association's recent conference held in Cloudfcroft.

Hine's election to the revered position automatically places him on the board of directors of the equally potent New Mexico Municipal League.

MAY 21, 1981

Ruidoso Noon Lions No. 1 in state

The Ruidoso Valley Noon Lions Club is, President Bill Budens said Tuesday, "the No. 1 club in New Mexico, because we won every trophy or plaque awarded at last week's convention in Albuquerque."

Club secretary Bill Morrison said "we won all the marbles in the big-club division, which isn't too shabby considering our 39 members were competing against clubs with membership of up to 125 or more."

"This is our first year in large club competition, as we exceeded the 30 membership limit for these clubs this year."

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Capitan school search narrowed

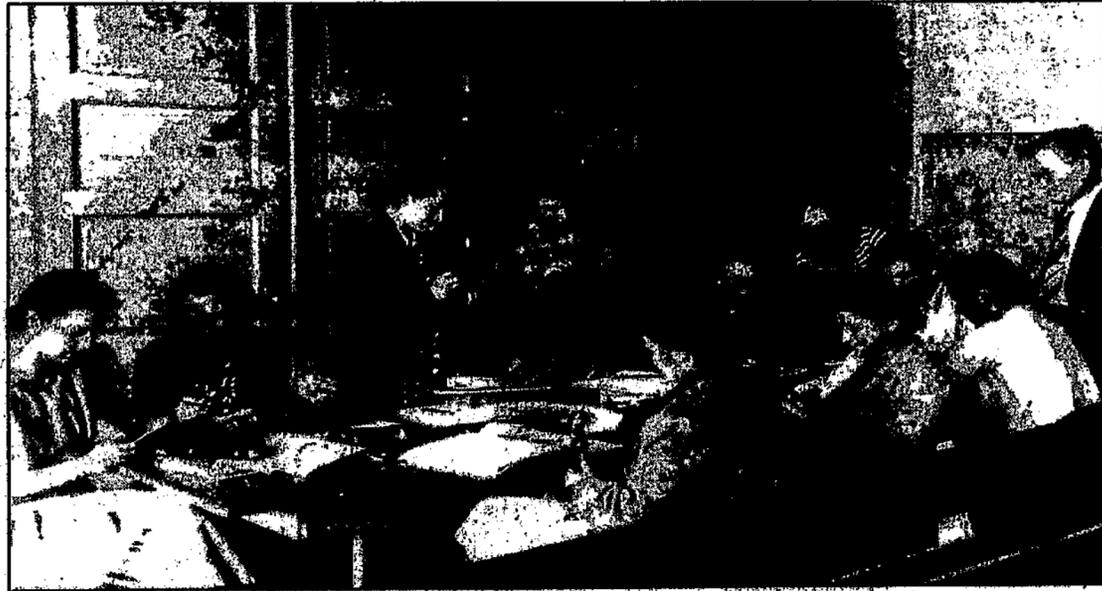
The Capitan School Board has narrowed a field of 21 applicants down to three top contenders for the job of school district superintendent.

Supt. Scott Childress will be leaving in early June...

Interviews are scheduled within the next few days with John Turner, assistant superintendent with Central Consolidated Schools in Shiprock and with Ron Hodges, superintendent of Belen Consolidated Schools.

Board President Preston Stone said after the deadline May 15, the 21 applicants were narrowed to eight and then five were tapped for interviews.

* 100 years ago is compiled by Polly Chavez from local newspapers. Other items are compiled from issues of the Ruidoso News.



COURTESY MARY LOUISE HALL JOINER

The young woman seated next to the man with the striped shirt is Mary Louise Hall Joiner at the first ENMU class held in Ruidoso — "Flora of the Southwest," taught by the gentleman to the far right, Dr. Danwood Reed.

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New guidelines seek more aggressive treatment of high cholesterol

Lowering 'bad' cholesterol levels could reduce the chance of heart disease by 40 percent.

BY RANDOLPH E. SCRIMD
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

WASHINGTON (AP) - The National Institutes of Health unveiled new guidelines this week that called for more aggressive treatment of high cholesterol in people at risk for heart disease.

The new guidelines recommend use of different tests to screen for high

cholesterol and revise the optimal standards for good and bad cholesterol.

Diabetes would be added to the conditions indicating an increased risk for heart disease.

Under the guidelines, the number of Americans using prescribed cholesterol drugs could jump from about 18 million to 36 million, the NIH estimated. The number of people prescribed a restricted diet to lower cholesterol would also grow sharply.

"Studies show conclusively that lowering the level of low-density

lipoprotein, or LDL, the bad cholesterol, can reduce short-term risk for heart disease by as much as 40 percent," said Dr. Claude Lenfant, director of the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute.

The guidelines, being published in this week's issue of the Journal of the American Medical Association, also take more note of "good" high-density lipoprotein. Current guidelines list 200 milligrams per deciliter of total cholesterol as the desirable level, over 240 mg as high, and less than 35 mg of HDL as too low.

The new guidelines remain the same for total cholesterol, but add that 100 mg of LDL is optimal for that form.

They also add a listing of 130-159 mg of LDL as borderline high, 160 mg as high, 190 mg as very high. The too-low reading for the good HDL is raised from 35 mg to 40 mg.

Lenfant said many people don't receive aggressive treatment because they have not been identified as at high risk.

Some 58 million Americans have high cholesterol. Only a small fraction

of those with the worst cholesterol levels use prescription medication. Many don't know they have high cholesterol, while others don't have insurance coverage for prescription drugs. Plus, many doctors don't follow current federal prescribing guidelines.

The new recommendations should reduce the burden of heart disease in America, said Dr. Ronald M. Krauss of the University of California Berkeley.

Changes include listing people with diabetes and those with metabolic syndrome as at high risk for heart disease.

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Sunday: Renewal services Sunday 10:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.; Wednesday: Interspersed prayer noon mid-week services 7 p.m. Peace Chapel (Interdenominational) (ULC) Alto North, 336-7175. Jeanette Price, Pastor. Morning chapel: 6:50 a.m. (Sept. - June) Sunday Service: 11 a.m.</p>
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BUSINESS BRIEFS

New Mexico-designed shoes available here

Unusual Z-Coil footwear is now available in Ruidoso. Retired salesman Gordon Smart, who came to Ruidoso two years ago, discovered the orthotic shoes in February, after experiencing foot problems for 10 years.

"This is something I can believe in. It's something I can sell," Smart said. He opened the Z-Coil of Ruidoso shop May 1 in the Gazebo Shopping Center (suite 15) at 2117 Sudderth Drive. "They're primarily designed for foot problems," Smart said. "But most people buy them because they're so darn comfortable."

The Z-Coil shoes, clogs and sandals incorporate a unique coil spring at the heel which Smart said makes the whole body feel better.

"Ruidoso is a natural because of all the walking and hiking here," Smart said upon opening his new shop.

In-state tourism ads switch to television

The New Mexico Department of Tourism has unveiled a new summer in-state advertising campaign.

Department Secretary Janet Green said the campaign continues on the successful "Enchanted Vacations - Made Only in New Mexico" theme.

The 30 television ads, titled "What Are You Waiting For?" opens to the sounds of New Mexico destinations, such as the crunching of hiking boots on a mountain trail or the driving beat of Native American drums.

Through a 2-for-1 partnership with New Mexico television stations, the department will almost double the airtime of the ad. Production and airtime purchase budgeting for the Enchanted Vacations campaign is approximately \$80,000.

"This year we decided to continue with the successful Enchanted Vacations campaign, yet move it into a new market," Green said. "It's a compelling campaign with a fun personality. It shows the offerings here for summer vacations in a way we didn't do last year."

The campaign last summer focused on print, radio and outdoor advertising venues. The new ad will air about 700 times statewide, with the heaviest rotation during the months of May, June and July.

Wal-Mart results 'disappoint'

A 4 percent profit increase doesn't boost stock

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) - Wal-Mart Stores Inc., the world's largest retailer, reported a 4 percent increase in profit for the first quarter, matching Wall Street's lowered expectations. But its stock fell Tuesday as it warned that double-digit growth will not return until the second half of its fiscal year.

Wal-Mart president and CEO Lee Scott said "the growth rate is not what we are accustomed to or what we are satisfied with."

For the three months ended April 30, the retailer earned \$1.88 billion, or 31 cents per share, compared to \$1.83 billion, or 30 cents per share in the year-ago period.

Sales rose 11.8 percent to \$48 billion from \$42.98 billion a year ago.

The earnings results

House speaker's fund gets big Hobbs boost

SANTA FE (AP) - House Speaker Ben Lujan's newly formed speaker's fund hit a gusher in the oil patch. Lujan has raised \$17,820 for the new fund, nearly all of it from a reception in Hobbs last month.

Lujan said Monday he was the guest speaker at a dinner sponsored by Lea County Democrats on April 26, and the reception for him was held in conjunction with that.

The speaker's fund is a political committee controlled by the House leader, who can contribute to candidates and use it to defray various expenses.

Lujan's new fund hasn't spent anything yet, according to a report filed Monday with the secretary of state.

Lujan was elected speaker in January, succeeding longtime Speaker Raymond Sanchez, an Albuquerque Democrat who lost his bid for re-election last year. Sanchez is still using his speaker's fund, which has a balance of \$28,681, according to a report.

Among the biggest contributors to the new fund: Yates Petroleum Corp. of Artesia, \$2,000; Donald and Peggy Whitaker of Eunice, \$2,000; Eunice Well Servicing Co., \$1,000; ABC Rental Tool Co., \$1,000; Veteto Oil Co., \$1,000; Johnny Cope, \$1,000; Robert and Kay Matthews, \$1,000; and Leo V. Sims II, \$1,000.

Apple going retail

McLEAN, Va. (AP) - Apple Computer Inc. president Steve Jobs announced plans this week to open 25 Apple stores across the country in the computer maker's first venture into direct retail sales.

The company now relies mainly on resellers, large electronics retailers and its own Web site to sell its products.

Jobs said that the retail stores, which will be placed in high-end malls and high-end retail locations, represent Apple's best way to reach out to the 95 percent of computer users who don't use Apple products.

The company expects to turn a profit on the retail operation by 2002. He announced about a dozen locations for the 25 stores, including the Mall of America in Bloomington, Minn.; two locations in Chicago, New York and Hartford, Conn.; and Palo Alto, San Jose and Burlingame, Calif. The first two stores will open Saturday at Tysons Corner in McLean and in Glendale Mall in Glendale, Calif.

Some Ruidoso businesses are finding opportunity elsewhere

■ Candles and bath items have the kind of appeal that is making for success in Albuquerque and Sedona. But there are caveats on expansion.

BY JAMES KADVELAGE
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Some established Ruidoso businesses have reached out, expanding their operations beyond the Sacramento Mountains.

Sarah's-the art of the bath, at 2601 Sudderth Drive, has also set up shop in Sedona, Ariz.

And Candle Power, which has operated in Ruidoso's Midtown since April 1987, now has an added store in Albuquerque's Old Town.

"One of the girls that had worked for us wanted to go back to Albuquerque," Larry Wimbrow of Candle Power said. "It just kind of happened. Opening another store was the furthest thing from our mind. But we opened the store with her."

The Wimbrows said they checked out the market in the state's largest city before opening the second Candle Power.

"We looked around and didn't see another candle type store," said Sally Wimbrow.

The Old Town store opened in November 2000.

"It seems to be doing fairly well," Larry Wimbrow said. "It had a slow period during

January and February, which is typical for Albuquerque. But the season is now picking up and we're getting repeat traffic."

The Wimbrows note their customers are different between the two shops. Larry Wimbrow said tourists, which make up a fair part of their clientele at both locations, are the main difference. Tourists to the Old Town store seem to be more "destination" oriented, having mostly flown into Albuquerque. In Ruidoso, the visitors arrive by motor vehicle.

"The Wimbrows have no regrets setting up shop in Albuquerque, but doubt if they'll expand any further because of the time and travel involved."

"The fact that we opened another store is something we never expected," he said.

Another Ruidoso business owner is juggling time between the resort area here and a tourist mecca south of Flagstaff.

Sarah Mayes's second location opened last year in Sedona at Arizona's Old Marketplace Shopping Center.

"We went through Sedona last April (2000) and I immediately saw an opportunity," Mayes said.



Sally and Larry Wimbrow, outside their Ruidoso store, said they're pleased they opened a second location in Albuquerque's Old Town.

In November, Sarah's-the art of the bath had its second shingle out.

The Sedona store is similar to the Ruidoso outlet. There are bath and body products and decorative accessories for the home. But a generally older and well-to-do clientele in Sedona has brought some adjustments. There are more higher-end items.

"I've gotten the same reaction in Sedona as in Ruidoso," Mayes said. "There is good feedback and we're getting repeat business."

Mayes said the only way she could operate two stores almost 500 miles apart is with "incredible people working for me."

She called employees at both locations exceptional. But Mayes cautioned other Ruidoso business owners considering a distant expansion, to proceed only if they're willing to work seven days a week.

Could there be a third Sarah's-the art of the bath?

"You never know what's in the future," Mayes said. "The Ruidoso store was successful from the very beginning almost four years ago. And Sedona is doing well."

Sedona, with a population of 16,000, is about twice the size of Ruidoso.

"I love both places," Mayes said. "But I still consider Ruidoso to be my home."

Higher jobless rate vs. 2000 tied to census workers

BY JAMES KADVELAGE
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The jobless rate, both in Lincoln County and New Mexico, was significantly higher in March compared to a year ago. Census data-gathering likely plays a key factor.

"A big part of what happened a year ago is we had some 4,000 census workers," said Dan Hall, labor economist supervisor with the New Mexico Department of Labor. "I think it (census employment) was mostly in rural areas. As a result, we were seeing it (employment) up statewide, but especially in rural areas."

With those jobs gone, the preliminary Lincoln County unemployment rate stood at 5.1 percent in March. In 2000, the March out-of-work rate was 3.7 percent. Statewide the most recent unemployment rate was at 5.4 percent, compared with 4.5 percent in March 2000.

Hall believed the slowdown in the national economy and its associated job cuts, has had minimal impact on New Mexico.

"The economy, the business sector, surely is cautious," Hall said. "But we haven't seen the downturn hit New Mexico. We do have a decline in our job

growth rate for March but we expect to see it go up in April."

Lincoln County's 5.1 percent unemployment rate in March was slightly better than February's 5.2 percent level. For New Mexico, the 5.4 percent rate in March represented more unemployed than in February when the rate was 5.3 percent.

In neighboring Otero County, the preliminary March rate of 6 percent was an improvement over February's 6.4 percent. For Chaves County, March resulted in an increase in the jobless rate, from 6.4 percent to 6.8 percent.

Revamped Downs business licensing plan put on hold

BY JAMES KADVELAGE
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A revamped business registration and licensing ordinance in Ruidoso Downs will have to wait for another day.

At a scheduled hearing Monday, village trustees, who said they hadn't received the business ordinance draft until shortly before the meeting, decided to recess the public hearing.

"I'd like to see what we have currently, to look at it and hopefully see the best of both rules," said Trustee Bonnie Richardson.

Village attorney Dan Bryant told trustees the major difference between the current licensing and registration ordinances and the merged proposal was the input provided

at an earlier council session.

The attorney said existing businesses with outdoor sales areas, such as fruit markets, would be grandfathered. A section dealing with pawn shops was removed, Bryant said, at the previous request of the council.

"There were a bunch of requirements on displaying outdoors," Bryant said. "You wanted that simplified. I changed that to be broad, that the displays be consistent with appropriate fire protection and safety."

The outdoor sales section would deal with businesses that display items outside, such as during a sidewalk sale.

Businesses now pay an annual registration fee of \$35. Village payroll/personnel spe-

cialist Karen Jones said the fee is the maximum allowed by the state for registering a business. Some operations, such as pawn shops, adult stores and tattoo parlors can be licensed, instead of registered, and perhaps would carry a higher fee.

Special events would require a license under the proposed ordinance. Special licenses or events would exclude existing businesses that are licensed. Examples of special events are trade shows, flea markets or exhibitions that involve goods or services. Fund-raising events by non-profit organizations would be allowed with village permission. Fund-raisers, and would be limited to five consecutive days.

Communitywide events, of

long-standing custom or sanctioned by a proclamation, would be allowed. An example would be the annual Arts and Crafts Fair.

Door-to-door vendors are presently unlicensed, Bryant told trustees. He said if the vendor is temporary or seasonal, a temporary or seasonal licensing provision would regulate their activities.

Asked if the Schwann's ice cream man will be able to continue to make his deliveries, Bryant said route food vendors are normally licensed in their home towns, and will continue to make their deliveries in Ruidoso Downs.

The public hearing on the business regulations could continue at the May 29 session of the village council.

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Here's one way to get cheaper air fares: Just ask



The Barones

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.

BY ELLEN AND HANK BARONE
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

For more than a decade, we've journeyed near and far, determined to enjoy as many travel opportunities as our adventurous spirits — and limited budget — could discover. As you can imagine, during that time we've stumbled upon a few travel "secrets" that help save us money, time and aggravation — tricks that just might get you schemin' and dreamin' for your own travel adventure!

Here are some money-saving tips on air travel:

• **Upgrade:** Regardless of the airline, you will have a much more pleasant trip if you are flying in business or first class. Full fare in these classes usually costs a fortune, but there are ways to get an upgrade. When we check in for a flight, we always ask if the flight is overbooked. If the flight is overbooked, we politely ask if upgrading two passengers is



HANK BARONE

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necessary and if so, would they consider upgrading us. Believe it or not...this works! We've traveled first class on coach tickets many times, simply by asking! (Your chances are better if you dress appropriately for first-class travel.)

• **Get comfortable:** Upgrades won't always be available, but we still want to make our trip as comfortable as possible. When making our

seat reservations, we usually ask for a seat by an emergency exit. The FAA requires these seats to have significantly more leg room. When these seats aren't available, we ask for an aisle seat and a window seat in the same row of three seats, this way the middle seat is often left vacant, leaving us plenty of extra room.

• **Refunds:** When we arrive at the airport check-in counter,

we always ask the price for a ticket on the plane we're about to take. If it is less than what we paid, we present our ticket and request a refund. We usually buy our tickets with a credit card so we make sure we have that card with us. Then the refund will be written as a credit card account credit.

• **Seniors:** If you qualify, use senior citizen fares. Most airlines will give those 62 and older at least a 10 percent senior discount. Virgin Atlantic has a 50 percent discount for 59 and over with a companion. Each airline has a different policy, but be sure to ask!

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In next week's column, we suggest 10 ways the Internet can help you travel cheaper and smarter, from trip planning and booking tickets, to how to stay in touch while on the road.

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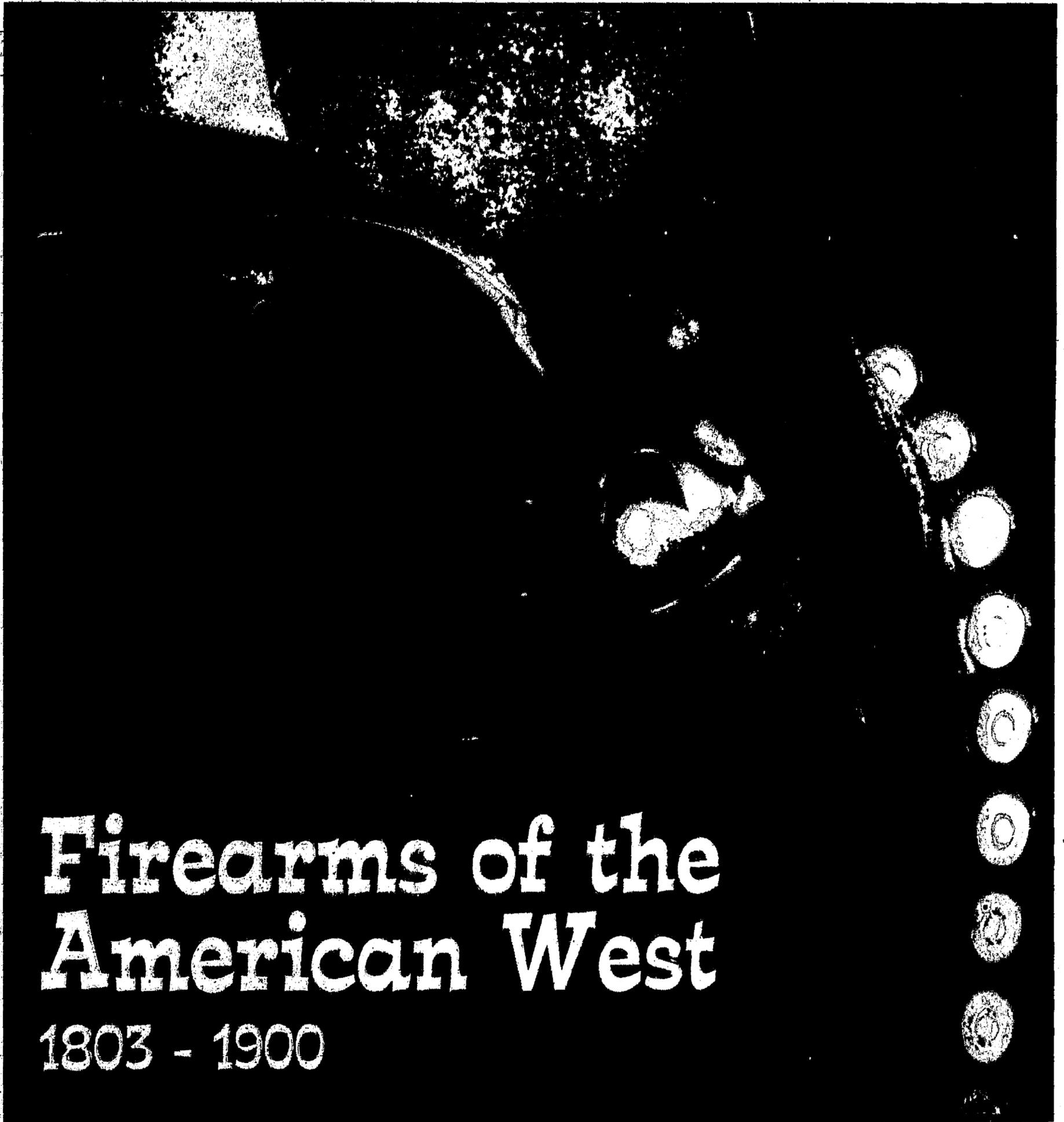
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Artist's Bulletin Board

Fruit of the Trees studio will host a five-day workshop from May 21 to 25 on Chinese woodblock printing. It will cover basic woodcut design, carving and printing. Concentration will be on the technique of "water printing" or shui-yin, a method originated in China. Ray Hudson of Middlebury, Vermont, is the instructor. He has worked with woodblock prints since 1971 and has studied with Lu Fang at the Zhejiang Fine Arts Academy in Hangzhou, Peoples Republic of China.

For information, contact Beverly Wilson at (505) 653-4699 or beverly@fruitofthetrees.com.

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Leland DeFord

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Seats still available to 'Plaza Suite'

Excellent seats remain for Neil Simon's hilarious trilogy "Plaza Suite" at the Spencer Theater at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday starring Golden Globe and Emmy Award nominee Lee Meriwether, the romantic and bittersweet farce is one of Simon's best. Showtimes are 2 p.m. matinee (\$32 and \$35) or 8 p.m. (\$35 and \$38). Call (505) 336-4800 or (888) 818-7872 for tickets or visit Ruidoso Furs outlets.



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Neil Simon's classic trilogy "Plaza Suite," featuring three couples and three modern fables about relationships, is a blend of bittersweet comedy and farce. Audience members peek inside the characters' private lives and the heartrending situations unfurling at New York's famed Plaza Suite.

Starring Golden Globe and Emmy award nominee Lee Meriwether, this play is considered one of Neil Simon's greatest dramatic comedies and is one of the most revived of all his works. Under the direction of fellow cast star Marshall Borden (who is also a veteran stage and screen actor as well as Meriwether's husband), Simon's astute blend of humor triggers bouts of pathos and laughter in three, one-act scenes. Also starring Amanda Rogers and Richard Tatum, each scene is replete with the common nuances of relationships: delicious vulnerability, foolish bravado, angst, regret, fear and love.

Act 1 is funny yet tragic. Meet Karen and Sam, a middle age married couple that fight about everything — from the actual date of their anniversary (which they are trying to celebrate) to the number of years they've been married. However, as the act unfolds, it becomes obvious that the disagreements are symptoms of much deeper relationship problems.

Act 2 is a comedy about seduction. We meet a pompous Hollywood producer attempting to seduce his old high school girlfriend. However, she is now married with three children. He is a self-involved phony, she is a vulnerable dreamer.

Act 3 is pure farce about family conflict. It's a daughter's wedding day, but she has

locked herself (gown and all) in the bathroom of the suite, refusing to come out for the ceremony. Her formally dressed mother and father attempt to deal with the situation, and as they argue it becomes clear — the daughter has barricaded herself because she fears becoming just like her parents.

"Neil Simon always touches you, sends a tear drop to bring you back to your senses," Meriwether says. "He brings a tear and makes you laugh at the same time. In each of the characters I find traits I can portray with complete honesty, and I just flow with it."

Meriwether, a former Miss America, has performed in a number of Simon's plays with Borden, including "Gingerbread Lady," "The Odd Couple," and "Barefoot in the Park." She is best known, however, for her starring or recurring roles as "Lily" in "The Munsters Today," as "Catwoman" in the original "Batman" series, and as "Betty" in the eight-year-long series "Barnaby Jones."

The Spencer Theater Summer Season 2001 is sponsored in part by Sierra Blanca Motor Company, Salon Red, McGary Studios/Expressions in Bronze Gallery, State National Bank, Ruidoso News, Dale Chihuly Studio, Hawthorn Suites, R.D. and Joan Dale Hubbard Foundation and radio stations KCDY: CD 104.1 FM-Carlsbad, KBIM-Newstalk 910 AM & 94.9 FM-Roswell, KVLC 101 Gold-Las Cruces, and Ruidoso radio station KRUI-1490 AM.

Hondo Fiesta Dancers



Photos by Sandy Suggitt

Dave Perez and Santana Gonzales were crowned king and queen for this year's performance of the Hondo Fiesta Dancers May 12.



Ruidoso High School choreography classes perform at Nob Hill

*Photos by
Everett Thompson*

¡VÁMONOS! INTERN



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

Friday, May 18

'Chicago' at Popejoy Hall
8 p.m. at Popejoy Hall in Albuquerque. Also performances at 2 and 8 p.m. on Saturday and 2 and 7:30 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets are \$30-40 and may be purchased through tickets.com, by calling (800) 905-3315 or visiting any tickets.com outlet, including Furr's, the New Mexico Symphony Store and the Hilland Theatre, or at UNM ticket offices.

Saturday, May 19

Flying J Wranglers Benefit Concert for PMS Hospice
Gates open at 6 p.m., gunlight at 6:50 p.m., and dinner bell rings at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$8 for children ages 4-12. For more information call the Hospice office at 257-5189 or Peggy McClellan at 257-2365.

Ruidoso High School Graduation
10 a.m. at W.D. Horton Stadium

Smokey 4-H Rodeo
9 a.m. at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds. Smokey Bear will be at the Saturday performance. A dance will be held afterward with a local DJ. Call Tamara or Wendell Hull at 354-0058 for more information.

"Plaza Suite" at Spencer
2 p.m. matinee and 8 p.m. performance at the Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts. Tickets for the matinee are \$32 and \$35, the performance is \$35 and \$38. To purchase tickets call the Spencer Box Office at 336-4800.

La Fiesta de San Ysidro
9 a.m.-5 p.m. food, fun and farming traditions is the theme for this year's fiesta which culminates with a full day of activities at the New Mexico Farm and Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs Road, Las Cruces. Fiesta goers will enjoy the smell of baking bread and fresh-mad tortillas, the taste of traditional foods, the sound of mariachi music, the sight of colorful costumes worn by ballet folklorico dancers and the touch of many hands-on demonstrations and children's activities. Admission is \$3 for adults, \$2 for senior citizens (60 and over) and \$1 for children ages 6-17. For more information call the museum at (505) 522-4100.

Sunday, May 20

San Vincente Artists Sunday Art and Park activities

May 20, June 17, July 15, and August 12 at the Gough Park, located on Pope Street between 12th and 13th Streets, Silver City. Work of local artists and crafters will be displayed.

Smokey 4-H Rodeo
9 a.m. at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds. See May 19.

Thursday, May 24

Third Biennial Albuquerque Fiber Arts Fiesta
At the Creative Arts Building, New Mexico State Fairgrounds. Featuring more than 350 juried and judged exhibits of beadwork, silk painting, quilts, embroidery, weaving, cloth dolls, sewing and more submitted by guild members and the public. In addition the Fiesta will have demonstrations, guild members booths, fashion shows and 60 booths of local and national vendors of fabric, thread, patterns, supplies, books, artwork and imported textiles. May 24, 4-8 p.m.; May 25, 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; May 26, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Admission is \$3; children 12 and under are free. Two and three-day passes are available. For additional information call (505) 889-0130.

Pre-school Storytime
10:30 a.m. at the Ruidoso Public Library. Call 258-3704 for more information.

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

Friday, May 25

Ruidoso Downs Racetrack Opens
The world's finest quarter horses and the Southwest's best Thoroughbreds race Thursday through Sunday at the Ruidoso Downs Oval. First post on Thursdays and Fridays is 3:30 p.m.; first post on Saturdays and Sundays and Holidays is 1 p.m. Free general parking and general admission. Call 378-4331 for more information.

Roswell Community Little Theater: "The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940"
7:30 p.m. performance at the theater, located at 12th and Virginia Streets, Roswell. Directed by Edie Stevens, this delightful mystery-comedy is full of unique twists, turns and happenings. For additional information call Vonnie Goss at (505) 624-1110.

Interiors a La Mode Official Opening
4-7 p.m. at the Jira Plaza, 700 Mechem Drive, Suite 15. Ribbon cutting ceremony by the Ruidoso Valley Greeters, punch and munchies, conversation with Sandy Schiffman (Lincoln County's only state-licensed interior designer)

along with jazz music.

Saturday, May 26

Famous CHIP at Casino Apache
Erik Estrada, who played the sexy motorcycle cop "Ponch" on the world renowned hit television series *CHiPs*, will appear for two autograph signing sessions from noon-2 p.m. and 4-6 p.m. A lucky winner will be picked by Erik to win dinner that evening with him. Casino Apache is located on Route 4 and Carrizo Canyon Road in Mescalero. For more information call Dawn at (505) 464-4117.

Roswell Community Little Theater: "The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940"
7:30 p.m. performance at the theater, located at 12th and Virginia Streets, Roswell. See May 25.

Lincoln County Ranch Rodeo Association

3 p.m. 12th annual fundraising rodeo, for a crisis fund to help ranching families to preserve the Western heritage and lifestyles of the ranching families in Lincoln County, with Betty Joiner's trick dogs, at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds. Lincoln County Ranch Rodeo Association is nonprofit and has raised more than \$17 million for medical and emergency expenses. Admission is \$5 for the rodeo, children 10 and under are free. Dance at 8 p.m. with Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys. Dance admission is \$8 per person, children 10 and under are free.

Memorial Day Service
1 p.m. at the Fort Stanton Cemetery. For more information call 354-3421 or 354-2329.

Sunday, May 27

Roswell Community Little Theater: "The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940"
2 p.m. matinee at the theater, located at 12th and Virginia Streets, Roswell. See May 25.

Pam Tillis in the Downs
8 p.m. at the Ruidoso Downs Race Track. Tickets are \$14, \$20, \$25 and are available at the casino and track. Pam Tillis has sold more than 5 million albums, was named 1994 CMA Vocalist of the Year and has six No. 1 and eight top 5 hits to her credit. For more information call track at 378-4431.

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Exhibits & Receptions

Santero Show
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Chamber Exhibit of the Month
Mañon Doyle's artwork is the May Exhibit of the Month at the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce.

Movies

'Shrek'
Kids/Family, Comedy and Romance. Rated PG for mild language and some crude humor. Starring: Mike Myers, Eddie Murphy, Cameron Diaz, John Lithgow, Vincent Cassel. Directed by Andrew Adamson and Victoria Jenson. Produced by Jeffrey Katzenberg, Aron Warner, John H. Williams and David Goodwine. Written by Joe Stillman, Roger S.H. Schulman, Ted Elliott and Terry Rossio. Distributor: Dreamworks SKG More Credits
Synopsis: Once upon a time, in a far away swamp, there lived an ornery ogre named Shrek whose precious solitude is suddenly shattered by an invasion of annoying fairy tale characters. There are blind mice in his food, a big, bad wolf in his bed, three little homeless pigs and more, all banished from their kingdom by the evil Lord Farquaad. Determined to save their home -- not to mention his own -- Shrek cuts a deal with Farquaad and sets out to rescue the beautiful Princess Fiona to be Farquaad's bride.

Accompanying him on his mission is wisecracking Donkey, who will do anything for Shrek ... except shut up. Rescuing the Princess from a fire-breathing dragon may prove the least of their problems when the deep, dark secret she has been keeping is revealed.
Showtimes: *1:30 p.m., 4:45 p.m. 7 p.m., *9 p.m.
'A Knight's Tale'
Showtimes: *1 p.m., 3:45 p.m., 6:30 p.m., *9:15 p.m.
'The Mummy Returns'
Showtimes: *1:15 p.m., 4:15 p.m., 6:45 p.m., *9:20 p.m.

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Hollywood Inn and Cantina
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Le Bistro
Live entertainment from 7:30-11 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays at 2800 Sudderth Drive.

Screaming Eagle Lounge
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Live rock and roll music Wednesday through Sunday. Karaoke on Mondays and Tuesdays at 2535 Sudderth Drive.

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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

Firearms of

Excerpted from a story

by Scott Wells

Photos by Leland DeFord

"I believe people living in the 19th century, especially those who lived on the real frontier, ran the gamut from 'Little House on the Prairie' to Sam Peckinpah's 'The Wild Bunch' in terms of violence. There were people who only shot a gun in order to kill a deer, and of course there were those who shot down people in cold blood. But all in all, people spent more time fighting the elements than they did each other."

These are some of Lou Garavaglia's thoughts as he speaks in reference to the featured exhibit at the Hubbard Museum of the American West, May 26 through October 21. Garavaglia is co-curator of the exhibition, along with Charles Worman, who, together, previously wrote two of the defining volumes on the subject of American firearms.

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reviously known as the Museum of the Horse, the museum expanded its focus and its name to the Hubbard Museum of the American West in 1999. Subsequent acquisitions in the historic town of Lincoln added to the museum's scope. This firearms exhibit seemed a logical step.

"Just as horses provided some important aspects of survival in the old West, so did firearms," notes museum director Bruce Eldredge.

"Transportation was important, but in terms of immediate survival, acquisition of food and protection from attack were absolutely essential. Firearms were used in these critical tasks. That's why we thought it was important to develop this exhibition. We're extremely pleased to obtain the services of two of the preeminent experts in the field."

One of the toughest challenges in the study of history is to try to see its various elements in the context of their own time. For instance, in today's society, when we think of a probable cause for a slow death,

the American West

1803-1900

we're likely to think of disease. When we think of a probable cause for an instant death, we may think of an auto or plane crash. When we think of guns, we are likely to think of crime. By contrast, on the American frontier of the 19th century, starvation would be near the top of the list for causes of slow death, being killed by attackers would be the most likely cause of a sudden death, and guns were thought of as the best means to prevent both.

It is from this perspective that "Firearms of the American West" leads viewers through a century of technological change accelerated by social and political upheavals. This is not just the story of guns and their mechanics. It is also the story of three distinct cultures: the Native American, the civilian frontiersman and the U.S. soldier. The exhibit includes personal items of some of the most legendary characters from these groups, such as Geronimo, Kit Carson, Wyatt Earp and General George Armstrong Custer.

The Arizona Historical Society has loaned to the exhibit a Sharps Sporterized rifle used by the infamous Apache warrior Geronimo, as well as a Colt single-action revolver used by renowned lawyer Wyatt Earp. Prominent firearms collector Norm Fladerman has loaned a .50-caliber Springfield rifle that was given to Seventh Cavalry soldier C. Reynolds by none other than that outfit's commanding officer, General George Armstrong Custer. There is a Spencer carbine that is documented as having been used at the battle of the Washita and at the battle of the Little Big Horn. Also featured is a model 1851 Colt revolver carried by one of the greatest frontiersmen of all, Christopher "Kit" Carson. Tom Horn, the controversial lawyer-turned-outlaw, is represented not only by the model 1877 Colt revolver he wore, but



also by other haunting artifacts, such as his knife, some rope he braided himself and part of the rope used to hang him when he was

finally executed for murder in 1903.

New Mexican law enforcement legend Elfege Baca is represented in the exhibit by his sheriff's badge and his single-action .45-caliber Army revolver. Another prominent New Mexican, J.R. Hagerman, used an 1886 Winchester rifle in battles to break up a railroad strike. That rifle, along with its original packing crate, is another of the exhibit's treasures.

About 150 firearms comprise the "Firearms of the American West" exhibit, included among them some very rare and some very common pieces. One of the most significant examples is the 1874 Sharps Sporting Rifle owned by General George Crook, who gained fame through his campaigns against the Sioux, Cheyenne and Apaches. The Crook rifle has additional significance because of repairs made to it by George and Frank Freund, very prominent gun-makers on the frontier. General Crook willed this, his favorite firearm, to Webb Hayes, son of former president Rutherford B. Hayes. The rifle is on loan from the Rutherford B. Hayes Presidential Center in Fremont, Ohio.

Another unique and fascinating piece is the 1849 Pocket Model Colt revolver marked C.O.C.&P.P., standing for the Central Overland California and Pikes Peak express, which most historians recognize as the company that operated the Pony Express.

One of the more impressive pieces featured in the exhibit is the cannon barrel from the Mountain Howitzer that was captured from the Union forces by the Confederate troops at the pivotal battle of Glorieta Pass, which effectively halted the Confederate's progress in New Mexico.

"This exhibition represents a very broad overview of the various guns which were most popular in the West," explains co-curator Charles Worman. "In addition, many of the pieces have anecdotal

histories as well. There's an 1884 Springfield .45 caliber trapdoor rifle that was used by the 25th Infantry, whose men, along with those of the 9th and 10th Cavalries, were widely known as Buffalo Soldiers. There's the 1878 Colt double-action revolver which was carried by Dodge City Marshall Tom Nixon."

By networking with many of the nation's leading firearms collections, Garavaglia and Worman have assembled an exhibition of genuine significance. Guns have been acquired for the exhibit from the Smithsonian Institute, the Museum of American History and Technology, the Union Pacific Railroad Museum, the Colorado Springs Pioneer Museum and the historical societies of Nevada, Nebraska, Minnesota and Missouri, in addition to numerous other collections, including the nearby Roswell Art and History Museum.

Worman and Garavaglia will present lectures on the exhibition at 10 a.m.

and 2 p.m. Saturday, May 26. Also planned are educational programs at the National Rifle Association firing range near Capitan, just 12 miles up the Billy the Kid Scenic Byway from Ruidoso.





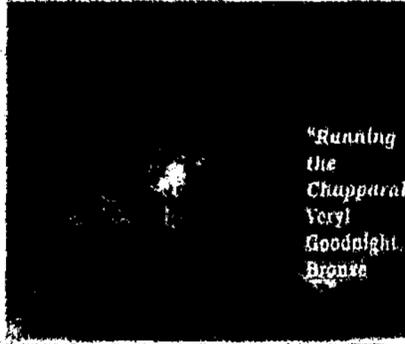


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Montaño Store and exhibits highlighting the Montaño family, Hispanic contributions to the area and adobe architecture. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday - Sunday. Admission fee included in the \$6 daily pass at the Courthouse for admission to seven buildings, including those of the Hubbard Museum.

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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. to 4 p.m. Sunday.

Wildland Firefighter Museum

Across the street from the Smokey Bear Historical Park, Capitan, 354-4251
Features equipment from the past, gift shop, T-shirts from fires and agencies (USFS, BLM, State FS and BIA), educational. Admission is free. Open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., seven days a week, April through Oct. 28.

Lincoln resident receives 2001 Heritage Preservation Award

Manny Gonzales of Lincoln was one of the recipients of a Heritage Preservation Award. These annual awards are given to individuals, organizations and projects that the committee wishes to recognize for their contribution to the preservation, interpretation, appreciation and/or understanding for New Mexico's cultural heritage. This award was given to Gonzales in recognition of his efforts in the rehabilitation of the Torreon in Lincoln.

Lions' 'A Night at the Spencer'

The second annual Ruidoso Noon Lions Club presentation, "A Night at the Spencer," honoring the theater's founder, Jackie Spencer Morgan, will be at 7:30 p.m. June 4 at the Spencer Theater. Featured will be the New Mexico State Lions Band, along with a jam-packed evening of entertainment. Tickets are on sale for \$15 by calling 258-4182.

The Musical Comedy of Murders of 1940'

The upcoming production of Roswell Community Little Theatre, written by John Bishop and under the direction of Edie Stevens is a mystery comedy. Performances are 7:30 p.m. on May 25, 26, June 1 and 2; matinees are 2 p.m. on May 27 and June 3. Reservations are not required. The theatre is at 12th and Virginia streets. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$3.50 for full-time students.

CHIPS to appear at Casino Apache

On Saturday, May 26, Erik Estrada, who played the sexy motorcycle cop "Ponch" on the television series *CHIPS* will appear at Casino Apache for two autograph-signing sessions from noon to 2 p.m. and 4 to 6 p.m. A Casino Apache jackpot winner will be picked by Estrada to win dinner that evening with him. You must participate at Casino Apache to win.

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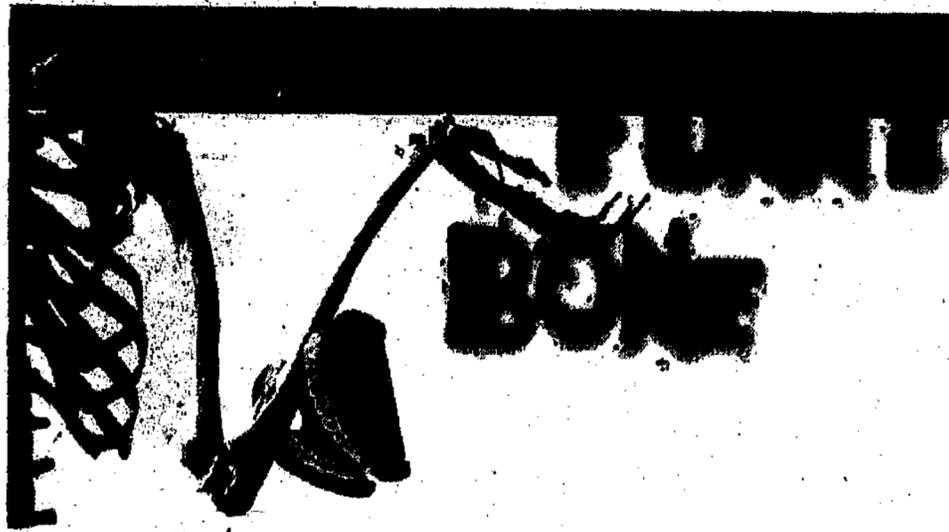
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Watercolor Workshops with be offered by Paula White

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For additional information, call Dorothy at (505) 258-3297, Paula at (505) 653-4203 or Josie at (505) 257-4156.



Summer travel advice: keep the barf bag handy



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If you're one of the millions of Americans planning to travel by air this summer, here's a tip from the travel experts: **DON'T** wait until the last minute to make your arrangements! Order your cyanide pills **NOW**.

Yes, it's a stressful time for air travelers. To understand why, let's look at some statistics:

— This summer, U.S. airlines will operate 310,000 flights carrying 73 million passengers, no two of whom will pay the same fare.

— Of these 310,000 flights, 82 percent are expected to experience delays classified by the airlines as "significant," defined as "longer than two days."

— Most of the delays will be "weather-related," which is the technical term the airlines use when the co-pilot reports for work holding a banana daiquiri and wearing only a leather thong.

— The remainder of the delays will

involve "mechanical" problems, which occur when any single one of the 43,000 little warning lights on the cockpit instrument panel lights up, thus requiring the pilot to call in one of the nationwide total of six airline maintenance personnel, who, after repeated efforts to repair the problem while the passenger cabin reaches the temperature of a pizza oven, will declare that the airplane needs a new part, which must be brought in from the Airline Parts Storage Facility, located in Kurdistan and accessible only by goat.

— Of the 18 percent of the flights that are NOT significantly delayed, most will be outright canceled because of various technicalities, such as failure to feature an inflight movie starring Adam Sandler, as required by federal regulations.

— The situation will be somewhat worse at New York's LaGuardia Airplane Storage Facility, where, due to a combination of congestion and a runway that is slightly shorter than a Slip 'N Slide, no flight has successfully taken off since 1977, although for the sake of appearances, planes are still sent out from the gates to taxi around until they run out of fuel and the pas-

sengers have eaten all the flotation devices.

So it's not going to be an easy summer. Fortunately, the airlines are taking

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positive steps to improve the situation, according to F. Hargrove Fennel, president of the Association of Airline Executives Barricaded in Their Offices.

"We're going to issue cattle prods to the flight attendants," he stated. "Also, for mechanical delays, we're going to give the pilot the option of waiting until nobody is looking, then hitting the warning light with a hammer."

But even these steps may not be enough. The airlines are facing strike threats from a number of key unions, including the Brotherhood of Luggage Misplacers; the

Airline Seat Shrinkers Guild; and the International Association of Workers Who Make Sure That No Coach Passenger's Inflight Snack Packet Contains More Than Four Pretzels. Also, Boston's Logan Airport is currently dealing with a strike by the technicians who operate the huge, state-of-the-art fog-generating machine; this has forced airport officials to bring in

replacement fog by truck from Maine.

Despite all of this, a few flights — possibly even yours! — may actually take off this summer. This is not good. While in the air, these airplanes will be relying on an antiquated air-traffic control system. A recent safety audit of the FAA showed that, among other problems:

— Air-traffic controllers are relying on outdated maps that show giant serpents in the oceans and refer to North America as "New Spain."

— The FAA's so-called "nationwide radar system" is in fact a man named Murray standing on the roof of a Wal-Mart in central Kansas with a walkie-talkie and a pair of binoculars.

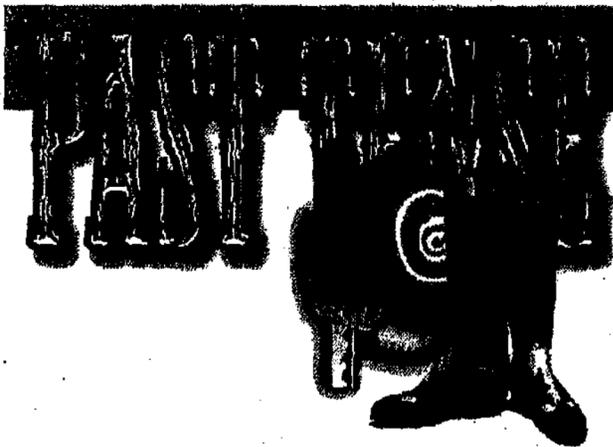
— The FAA's Emergency Backup Aviation Communications System (EBACS) has become increasingly unreliable because, in the words of the audit report, "most of the pigeons are dead."

None of this, of course, means that you should not go right ahead with your plans to travel by air this summer. All it means is that you should allow extra time for possible delays — say, a month — and that you should have a backup travel plan, such as walking.

Also, if at all possible, you should not book any flights that will be airborne between noon and 2 p.m. Central Time. That's when Murray goes to lunch.

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Pecos Bob

Part 2

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When Deputy U.S. Marshals Bob Olinger and Tony Neis arrived at Las Cruces by train from Santa Fe, they had to rent a wagon to complete their journey to La Mesilla. The two lawmen were escorting Billie Wilson and Billy the Kid to that place for trial in the case of the Kid, for murder. Billy the Kid was scheduled to be tried for the murder of Sheriff William Brady in the street in Lincoln on April 1, 1878, almost three years previous.

It is interesting to note that recently, in 2001, there was a movement to pardon the Kid for his crimes of so long ago. Personally, I think that they should just give it to him if for no other reason than to shut everyone up! There is little cut-and-dried about the Lincoln County War, but one thing we know for sure is that Billy was definitely one of the assassination squad who gunned down Brady that spring morning. On the other hand, he was the only one of the six shooters to stand trial for that — or any other crime committed during the Lincoln County War. Also, Lew Wallace *did* promise to pardon the youthful miscreant. Then again, is there really a point to restoring the civil rights of a man who has been dead for 120 years??? It goes on and on ...

At any rate, the trip from Cruces to Mesilla was uneventful and the Kid and Wilson were thrown into the nasty, hot, wet, squalid lit-



Courtesy

BILLY THE KID.

tle jail in which Mesilla incarcerated the Naughty. On March 30, 1881, Judge Bristol convened the District Court and, after a fairly speedy — even for then — trial, sentenced the Kid to death by hanging.

Back to Lincoln

On April 15, 1881, Bob Olinger took his oath as a special deputy sheriff to help transport the Kid back to Lincoln for execution. At this point in his life, although he did not know it, Bob Olinger was doing many things for The Last Time. Taking an oath as a lawman was one of them.

Deputies D.M. Reade, Tom Williams, and W.A. Lockhart rode flank and rear. Deputy Dave Woods drove. Inside the wagon were the Kid, deputies Olinger, Billy Mathews and John Kinney. The law-

men were taking no chances and planned to kill the Kid at the first sign of an escape. In addition, Billy Mathews had been a high-profile supporter of Jimmy Dolan during the Lincoln County War and hired gun John Kinney was, both before the war and at the time of his deputization, known as "The King of the Rustlers." In other words, the chances of the Kid effecting an escape on the trip from Mesilla to Lincoln were microscopic ... In fact, no one was more aware than Billy of the fact that the slightest false move on his part would bring about his instant death.

The trip, as you can well imagine, was uneventful.

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"Reciprocal hatred"

Sheriff Garrett kept two guards on duty: James W. Bell of White Oaks, and Our Hero, Pecos Bob Olinger. Garrett later stated that "there was a reciprocal hatred between those two [the Kid and Olinger], and neither attempted to disguise or conceal his antipathy for the other."

In an interview, Olinger himself told *The New Mexican* that the Kid was a "cur" and that "every man he had killed had been murdered in cold blood and without the slightest chance to defend himself." It seems to this writer that description is a more accurate one of Olinger himself.

Rancher John Meadows said that "In talking to me about it, the Kid said, 'He used to work me up until I could hardly contain myself.'" Other than that, the only documentation that supports the story that Olinger taunted the Kid is the story told by Garrett himself that Olinger had gloatingly waved his heavily-loaded shotgun under the Kid's nose and announced that "the man who gets one of these loads will feel it." And, while we

have no real documentation to prove that Olinger bullied his charge, everything in the man's personality indicates that it was probably the case. So, it seems that while so many writers have made much of this without any real proof, it does appear that Olinger was definitely a bully, although not a blowhard. He was quite dangerous and not just a lot of talk.

Ignored warnings

It seems that everyone and his brother attempted to tell Pecos Bob to be extremely careful when dealing with the Kid, but Bob seems to have remained blissfully (and ultimately, fatally) over-confident. Aside from the repeated warnings of Pat Garrett, a friend of Olinger's actually told him, "You think yourself an old hand in the business, but I tell you, as good a man as you are, that if that man (the Kid) is shown the slightest chance on earth, if he is allowed the use of one hand, or if he is not watched every moment from now until the moment he is executed, he will effect some plan by which he will murder the whole lot of you before you have time to even suspect that he has any such intention." Even though this statement, read today, borders on prophecy, Bob was oblivious. He replied that "the Kid had no more chance of escaping than he did of going to Heaven." Bob's response prompts one to wonder if he spent as much time as it seems with his foot planted so firmly in his mouth ...

April 28, 1881

For many years, the events of April 28, 1881 were thought to have been well recorded and there were no real historical questions. Wrong. There couldn't be more misconceptions. It was just a few years ago, thanks to the relentless research of peerless historian Nora Henn, that we found that the Kid did not escape around lunchtime that day. It turns out that it actually occurred around dinnertime, as an account of two men on the way to their evening meal who heard the gunfire from the courthouse came to light thanks to the research of Mrs. Henn.

Many accounts, and even a few artist's renditions from the period, have the Kid shooting Pecos Bob from the balcony — that, too is wrong, but I'll get to that.

There are certain events and stories from the Lincoln County War that can never be proven, one

way or the other. One of them is the alleged promiscuity of Susan McSween and another is exactly where the Kid procured the pistol with which he killed Bell. One story has the Kid racing ahead of Bell, up the stairs and into the armory that Pat Garrett later stated had a "bum door" on it. Good thinking, Pat. Put the most dangerous man in New Mexico 30 feet from a room full of guns that you are unable to lock!

Anyway, I personally have problems with this particular story as it appears that Bell would have had to have been sleep-walking to let the manacled Kid get that far ahead of him. Another is that the Kid simply turned on the stairwell and wrestled Bell's pistol away from him. Now, that is a good possibility. However, the story that this writer adheres to, for reasons that size constraints must limit, is this: Former Tunstall employee and McSween sympathizer Sam Corbet left a gun in the privy for the Kid. Courthouse caretaker Godfrey Gauss later stated that he "earwitnessed" a struggle between Bell and the Kid on the stairs, lending credence to the story of the Kid wresting Bell's gun away from him. but, Gauss was another former Tunstall employee and would have, presumably, been happy to cover for Corbet ...

Whatever the case, around dinnertime on the 28th of April, 1881, Billy the Kid got hold of a pistol and in the course of the next hour, catapulted himself into legend with it. During that same time period, he also ended the lives of two men, one of them being Bob Olinger.

Olinger had taken the other five prisoners in the courthouse, some of whom would later testify as to the details of the Kid's escape, across the street to the Wortley Hotel for dinner. None of these men were considered to be nearly as dangerous as Billy and for that reason were allowed to dine in the relative splendor of the Wortley. The Kid was far too dangerous to be moved around town. Better to keep him close to an available stash of weapons... Of course, that isn't how Garrett and his deputies thought of it, but that is basically the way it worked out.

The end of Pecos Bob

Olinger and the other prisoners had barely gotten to the Wortley's dining room when Billy was telling Bell that he had to use

the privy (outhouse) behind the courthouse. This was a request that Bell could hardly refuse and so, he and his prisoner began their fateful walk to the little building just out back.

However he got the pistol, the Kid fired twice at Bell on the stairwell after they had come back inside. His much vaunted marksmanship aside, Billy missed both times. Bell was killed by a ricochet. The bullet went right through the deputy and embedded itself in the wall at the foot of the stairs. You can still see the bullet hole. Bell, after tumbling to the landing at the foot of the stairs, immediately jumped back up and darted out the nearest door. He ran about 10 or 15 feet and collapsed, dying in the arms of Gauss. Olinger, across the street, heard the gunfire and leapt to his feet.

It is easy to imagine Pecos Bob cursing to himself, thinking that Bell had cheated him out of his chance of killing the Kid. We can never know for certain, but there is a definite possibility that Bob simply assumed that the Kid had been killed by Bell and not the other way around. After all, he ran directly into a kill zone without even trying to find backup. Why else would he do such a thing?

As Olinger charged across the

street, the Kid was already in motion upstairs. First he crashed into the armory, located at the head of the stairs, and grabbed Pecos Bob's own shotgun out of the rack. Then, even as Bob was racing toward him, the Kid, hopping and taking baby steps (he was still shackled, remember?) rushed to the northeast window of the second floor of the Lincoln County Courthouse, and waited for his nemesis to get closer.

He didn't have to wait long. As Olinger drew underneath the window that framed the Kid, several things happened. First, Godfrey Gauss came from behind the courthouse with some unwelcome news: "Bob," he announced, "the Kid has just killed Bell." At the same time, Bob Olinger heard a chillingly familiar voice call out from just above, "Hello, Bob." Pecos Bob Olinger looked up into the eyes of the man he had made merciless and the twin muzzles of his own shotgun. They were the last things he ever saw.

Sources: *Bob Olinger, Blowhard or Badman?*; *A Documentary History of the Lincoln County War*; *The West of Billy the Kid*, all by Frederick Nolan and *The Encyclopedia of Western Gunfighters* by Bill O'Neal.

The Blues is part of our history, too! Every Sunday throughout May and up until the Mountain of Blues Festival on the 16th of June, there will be free blues concerts and jam sessions by some of the finest local musicians held at Quarters in downtown Ruidoso from 2 until 5 p.m.

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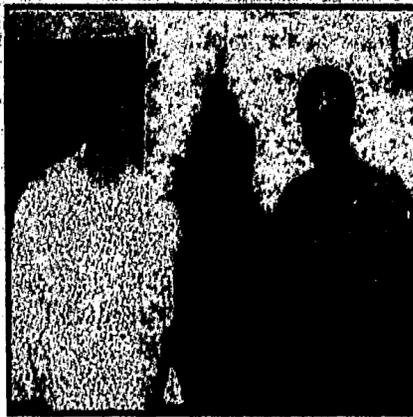
Sensational steaks, seafood and a 46-item salad bar are featured on Cattle Baron's menu. Fresh trout, catfish, Pacific snapper and King salmon and speciality dishes like filet mignon with green chili bear-naise sauce are also patron pleasers.

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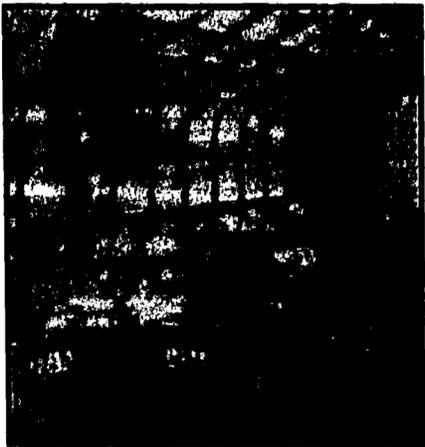


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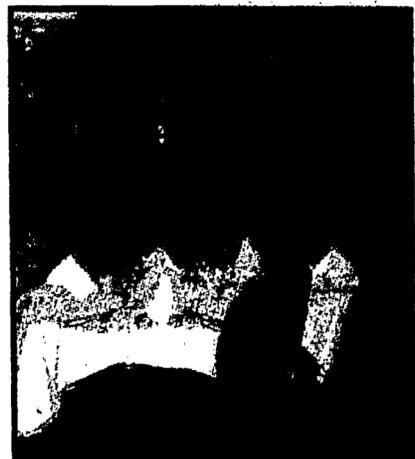
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LEGAL NOTICE

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

COUNTY OF LINCOLN

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

ALTO LAKES GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB, INC., a New Mexico corporation,

Plaintiff,

vs.

LAKESIDE CORPORATION, a New Mexico Corporation,

Defendant.

Cause No. CV-01-93 Div. III

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT

TO: LAKESIDE CORPORATION

You are hereby notified that there has been filed in the District Court of Lincoln County, State of New Mexico, a certain cause of action wherein Alto Lakes Golf & Country Club, Inc. is the plaintiff and you are the defendant, the same being Cause No. CV-01-93, Division III.

The object and purpose of the said suit is to foreclose the plaintiff's lien against the following described real property:

Lot 154, DEER PARK VALLEY SUBDIVISION, UNIT 6, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk and Ex-officio Recorder on Lincoln County on April 17, 1981, in Cabinet D, Slide Nos. 7 to 10, both inclusive.

You are notified that unless you enter your appearance or file pleadings herein on or before July 1, 2001, the plaintiff will make application to the Court for a decree by default, and decree by default will be rendered against you as prayed for in the complaint.

The name of the plaintiff's attorney is RICHARD A. HAWTHORNE, P.A., Richard A. Hawthorne, and whose address is 1221 Mechem, Suite 2, Ruidoso, New Mexico, 88345.

Witness my hand and seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, this 11th day of April 2001.

DISTRICT COURT CLERK By: Darla Goar Deputy

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COUNTY OF LINCOLN

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

ALTO LAKES GOLF &

600 LEGALS

COUNTRY CLUB, INC., a New Mexico corporation,

Plaintiff,

vs.

LAKESIDE CORPORATION, a New Mexico corporation and ROSARIO V. CARAVEO, a single woman,

Defendants.

Cause No. CV-01-96

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT

TO: LAKESIDE CORPORATION AND ROSARIO V. CARAVEO

GREETINGS:

You are hereby notified that there has been filed in the District Court of Lincoln County, State of New Mexico, a certain cause of action wherein Alto Lakes Golf & Country Club, Inc. is the Plaintiff and you are the Defendants, the same being Cause No. CV-01-96, Division III.

The object and purpose of the said suit is to foreclose the plaintiff's lien against the following described real property:

Lot T43C, DEER PARK WOODS SUBDIVISION, UNIT 2, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk and Ex-officio Recorder of Lincoln County on October, 1977, in Tube No. 599.

You are notified that unless you enter your appearance or file pleadings herein on or before July 31, 2001, the Plaintiff will make application to the Court for a decree by default, and decree by default will be rendered against you as prayed for in the complaint.

The name of the Plaintiff's attorney is RICHARD A. HAWTHORNE, P.A., Richard A. Hawthorne, and whose address is 1221 Mechem, Suite 2, Ruidoso, New Mexico, 88345.

Witness my hand and seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, this 23rd day of April 2001.

Jan Peiry District Court Clerk

Elizabeth Yeasli Deputy

3478 4T(4)27, (5)4, 11, 18

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

COUNTY OF LINCOLN

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

STEPHEN DEAKINS, Plaintiff,

vs.

BRADLEY DEAKINS, Defendant.

Cause No. CV-01-96

600 LEGALS

NANCY BLANKENSHIP DEAKINS,

Respondent.

DM-01-39

Division III

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT

TO: Nancy Blankenship Deakins, Respondent

GREETINGS:

You are hereby notified that there has been filed in the District Court of Lincoln County, State of New Mexico, a certain cause of action wherein Stephen Bradley Deakins is the petitioner and you are the respondent, the same being Cause No. DM-01-39, Division III.

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

You are notified that unless you enter your appearance or file pleadings herein on or before June 15, 2001, the petitioner will make application to the Court for a Decree by Default, and Decree by Default will be rendered against you as prayed for in the petition.

The name of the Plaintiff's attorney is Charles E. Hawthorne, and whose address is 900 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico, 88345.

Witness my hand and seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, this 24th day of April, 2001.

/s/Darla Goar District Court Clerk Lincoln County, New Mexico

3491 4T(5)4, 11, 18, 25

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Lincoln County Lodgers Tax Committee will hold its regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, May 30, 2001, at 10:00 a.m., at the Watson House in Lincoln, New Mexico.

Copies of the agenda for the May 30, 2001, meeting will be available at the office of the County Manager prior to said meeting.

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

/s/Martha Guevara Assistant County Manager

3499 1T(5)18

LEGAL NOTICE

INVITATION FOR PROPOSAL FOR INDEPENDENT AUDITOR

The Ruidoso Board of Education solicits requests for proposals for independent auditor to review the 2001-02 school year financial activities of the district. Specifications for the service and all contractual terms and conditions applicable to the procurement code and the State Auditors' Office are available in the Office of the Superintendent, Mike Gladden, 200 Horton Circle, Ruidoso, NM 88345 or telephone (505)257-4051.

In accordance with the New Mexico procurement code 13-1-117 (competitive sealed proposal award), the award shall be made to the responsible offeror or offerors whose proposal is most advantageous to the local school district, taking into consideration the evaluation factors set forth in the request for proposals.

Proposals must be received in the Superintendent's Office by 9:00 a.m., May 25, 2001. Proposals must be sealed and marked "Proposal for Auditor". Proposals will be opened and read aloud at the Special Board of Education meeting on May 25, 2001, at 12:00 noon in the board room at the administration building.

The board shall award a contract based on the specified criteria of which price is only one consideration.

The Ruidoso Board of Education reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and to waive technicalities.

/s/Mike Gladden Superintendent Ruidoso Municipal Schools

3508 3T(5)11, 16, 18

LEGAL NOTICE

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

COUNTY OF LINCOLN

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION TO CHANGE NAME OF MARIE LOUISE RAMIREZ

No. CV-01-132 Div. III

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Please take notice that the Petitioner, Marie Louise Ramirez, has filed a Petition to Change Name in the District Court of Lincoln County, State of New Mexico.

The purpose of the Petition is to change Petitioner's legal name from Marie Louise Ramirez to Marie Louise Kohl.

Please take further notice that a hearing in District Court to approve the Petition will be held on June 18, 2001, at 9:00 a.m., at the Lincoln County Courthouse, Ruidoso, New Mexico.

Witness my hand and seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, this 11th day of May, 2001.

BARBARA ALCORN, a single woman, Plaintiff,

vs.

GROUP I:

600 LEGALS

LEGAL SERVICES INC., P.C.

Lee Griffin

1025 Mechem Drive, Suite 102, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345

(505)258-5546

Attorney for Petitioner Judy Kyle Branscuff

3513 2T(5)18, 25

LEGAL NOTICE

Public Notice: In accordance with Open Meetings Act provisions, on May 23, 2001 three or more commissioners and select elected officials of the county may tour the County of Lincoln visiting the following locations at the approximate times indicated:

Corona Senior Citizens Center 07:50 A.M.

Ramon 09:15 A.M.

Capitan Senior Citizens 11:30 A.M.

Lincoln VFD 12:20 P.M.

Hondo Schools 12:50 P.M.

Tinnie (Hondo VFD) 1:15 P.M.

Arabela VFD 1:50 P.M.

San Patricio Senior Citizens 2:30 P.M.

Glencoe VFD 2:50 P.M.

Ruidoso Downs Senior Citizens 3:20 P.M.

Ruidoso Sub-Station 3:50 P.M.

Bonito VFD 4:20 P.M.

Nogal VFD 4:50 P.M.

The public is cordially invited to meet the commissioners at any location listed above. No specific subjects are to be discussed and no decisions will be made. The visits are strictly designed to meet the public in the various locations and tour facilities.

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LEGAL NOTICE

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

COUNTY OF LINCOLN

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

CV-01-133

Division III

BARBARA ALCORN, a single woman, Plaintiff,

vs.

GROUP I:

600 LEGALS

ALTO LAND AND CATTLE COMPANY, a New Mexico corporation, MELREX INVESTMENTS, a New Mexico partnership, MELVIN W. GLENN and BONNIE J. GLENN, husband and wife; J.L. SCHOOBER and DONALITA SCHOOBER, husband and wife, and their UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND ASSIGNS,

and

GROUP II:

JOHN DOES 1 THROUGH 100 and their UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND ASSIGNS; and

GROUP III:

ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS OF INTEREST IN THE PREMISES ADVERSE TO THE PLAINTIFFS,

Defendants

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT

TO THE FOLLOWING NAMED DEFENDANTS AGAINST WHOM CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE IS HEREBY SOUGHT TO BE OBTAINED:

Alto Land and Cattle Company, a New Mexico Corporation; Melrex Investments, a New Mexico Partnership; Melvin W. Glenn and Bonnie J. Glenn, Husband and Wife; J.L. Schoober and Donalita Schoober, Husband and Wife, and their Unknown Heirs, Devisees and Assigns; and

John Does 1 Through 100 and their Unknown Heirs, Devisees and Assigns; and

All Unknown Claimants of Interest in the Premises Adverse to the Plaintiffs.

Please Take Notice that the Plaintiffs have filed a Complaint to Quiet Title in the above captioned cause wherein you are named as the Defendant.

You Are Hereby Notified that the general object of this action is to quiet title to real property, as more particularly set forth in the Complaint on file in the above-captioned cause.

The Plaintiff's attorney is Lee Griffin, Legal Services Inc., P.C., 1025 Mechem Drive, Suite 102, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345.

Please Take Further Notice that if you intend to contest this suit, you must respond to the Complaint on or before June 28, 2001, being 20 days from the last date of publication of this Notice.

Witness my hand and seal of this Court this 11th day of May, 2001.

JAN PERRY

600 LEGALS

CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

By: Darla Goar Deputy

3514 1T(5)18, 25, (6)1, 8

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Lien Sale AGI Mini Storage Unit #15

Misc Household Items Last Known Owner Clayton Sage

2060 N-240 Rd. Mounds, OK 74047

Lien Sale Will Be Held Date: May 28, Saturday 2001

Time: 10:00 am Terms: Cash Only Location: AGI Mini Storage 601 Carrizo Canyon Rd. Ruidoso, NM 88345

3515 2T(5)18, 23

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-01-81

OLD KENT MORTGAGE CO.,

Plaintiff,

vs.

THOMAS R. COX aka THOMAS RAY COX aka R. THOMAS COX, RHONDA K. COX aka RHONDA COX, TAXATION AND REVENUE DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO, RUIDOSO STATE BANK, JOHN DOE AND JANE DOE, (Real Names Unknown), Tenants,

Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that on June 13, 2001, at the hour of 10:00 am, the undersigned Special Master will, at the northeast entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, New Mexico, sell all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendant(s) in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 118 Largo, Capitan, New Mexico and is situated in Lincoln County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

LOT 15, BLOCK 3, MIDWAY HILLS, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN BY THE PLAT THEREOF FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO RECORDER OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, JUNE 7, 1971, IN TUBE NO. 410; AND AS FURTHER SHOWN BY THAT CERTAIN BOUNDARY SURVEY PLAT FILED THEREOF IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO RECORDER OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW

MEXICO, SEPTEMBER 22, 1989, IN CABINET G, SLIDE NO. 479.

The foregoing sale will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above-entitled and numbered cause on April 25, 2001, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above-described property. The Plaintiff's judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$101,891.76 and the same bears interest at ten and three quarters percent (10.7500%) per annum from May 1, 2001 to the amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$1,321.32. The Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff will apply all or any part of its bid to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

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

Notice is further given that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above-described real property subject to a one (1) month right of redemption. The Defendant United States of America (IRS) shall have a 120-day right of redemption.

/s/Nick Vega Special Master P.O. Box 383 Carrizozo, NM 88301

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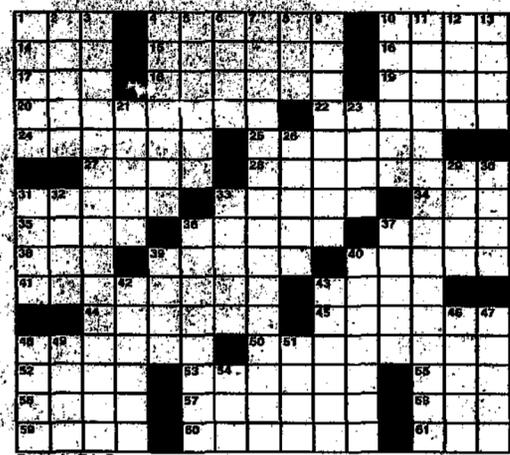
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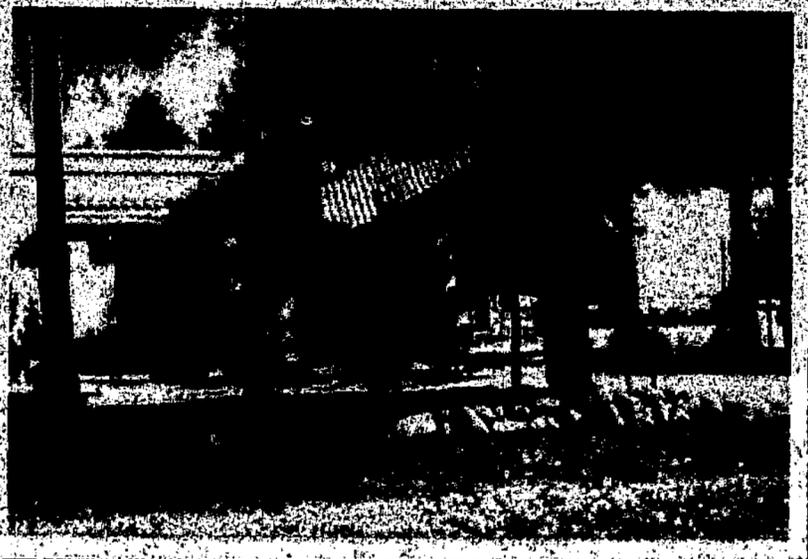

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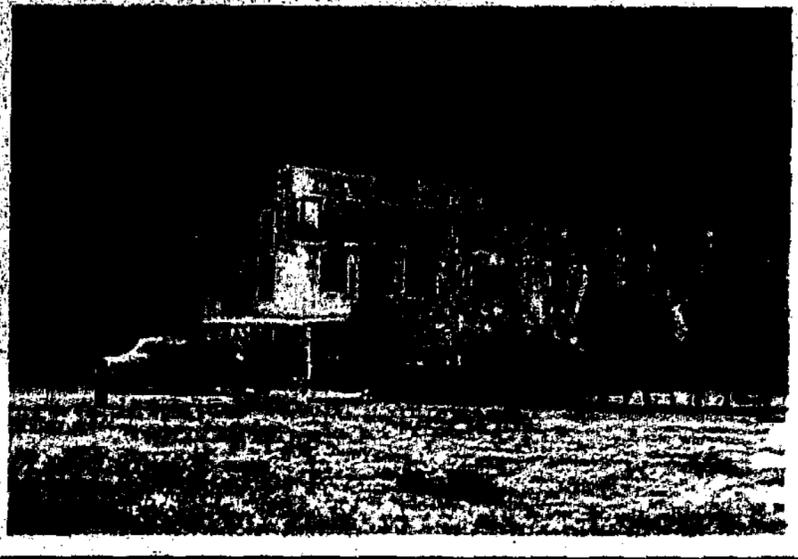
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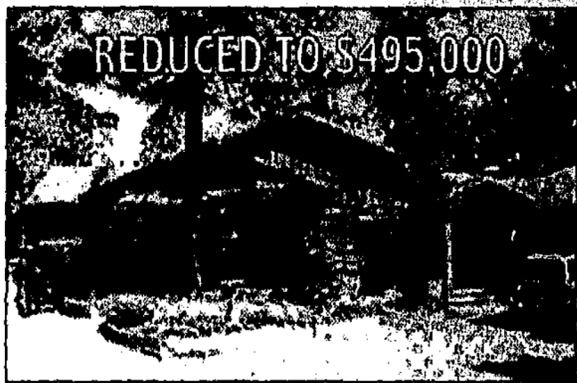
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Alto

\$495,000 • 107 Timber Court

2 bdrms, 2 1/2 baths, Full golf - 2 car garage, easy access, backs up to #2 tee box. A true Ruidoso styled home - lots of wood - tons of character - first time available for sale!



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.

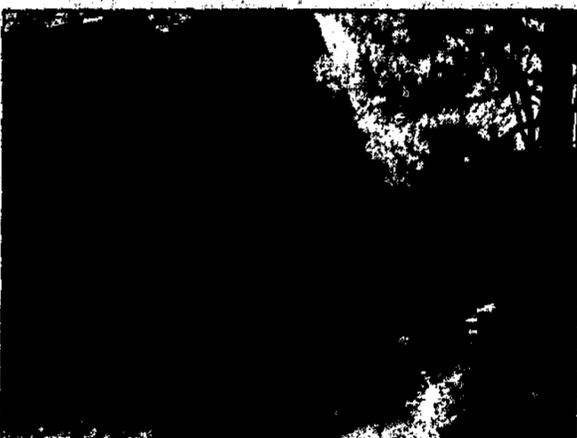


REDUCED TO \$240,000

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.



Alto

Rampy • \$295,000 • 416 High Mesa Dr.

4 bdrms, 3 baths. Sierra Blanca view. Large open living - dining and bar - perfect for entertaining. Full golf close to entrance of Alto Village.



Alto

Bayless • \$450,000 • 300 French Drive

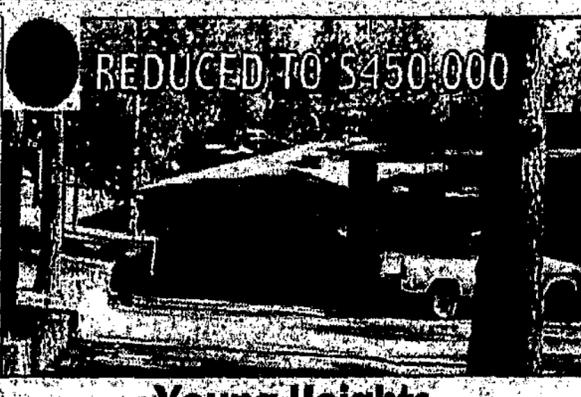
5 bdrm, 3 1/2 bath, full golf. On 2 lots. 5,800+ sq. ft. Panoramic views. Exceptional value!



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.

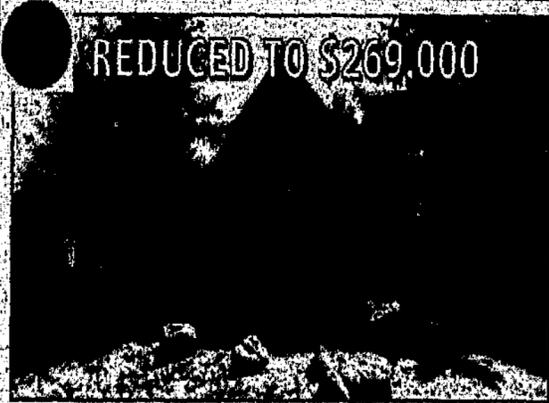


REDUCED TO \$450,000

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.

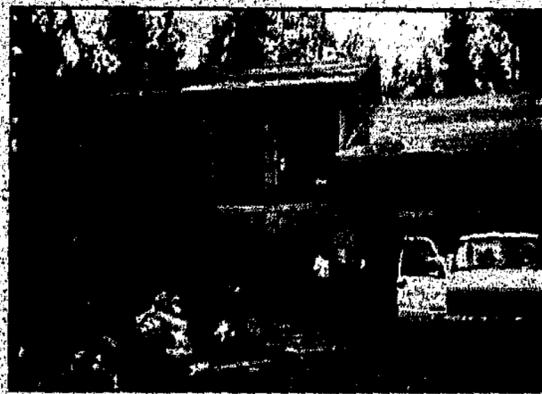


REDUCED TO \$269,000

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!



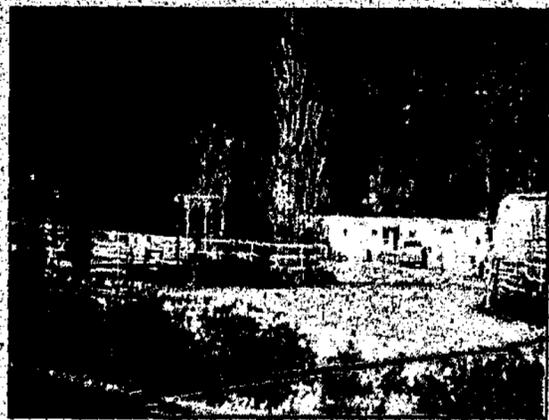
Sunny Slope

Reyes • \$225,000 • 205 White Mtn. Meadows Dr.

New 4 bdrm, 3 bath stucco with 1 year warranty. A must see. 2870 sq. ft.

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.



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.



Cherokee Addition

Key • \$109,900 • 300 James Place (aka Locke Dr.)

3 bdrm, 2 bath, fully furnished - sleeps 12 - corner location - cute and clean.



Ponderosa Heights

Cooper • \$98,500 • 122 Aspen Circle

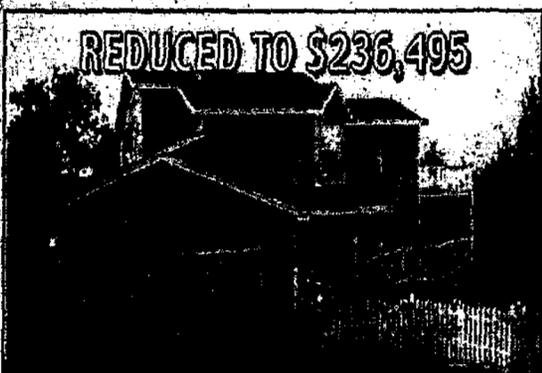
Three bedrooms, 2 baths. Excellent renter. Home is 1 level. 2-car garage. Motivated seller.



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.



REDUCED TO \$236,495

White Mountain Meadows

Radzlewicz • \$248,500 • 110 Coker Lane

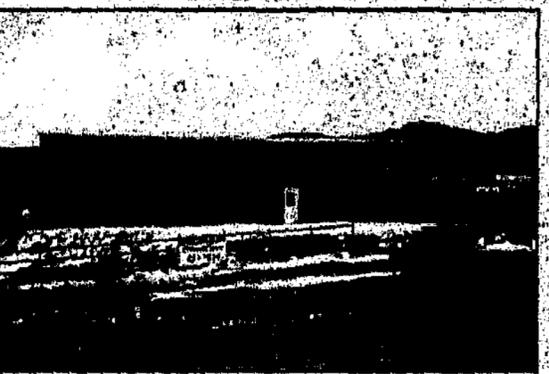
Three bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, 2-car garage, fenced yard. Hardwood floors - nice hobby or office room downstairs. Large bedrooms - bright interior - Victorian styled. A must see home!



Commercial

Radzlewicz • \$445,000 • 1133 Mechem Dr.

3300 sq ft commercial building. High traffic flow. Was a brew pub, then a nursery. Multi-purpose-motivated seller.



New Commercial Building

Smith • \$249,900 • Corner of Hwy 70 & Canyon Rd.

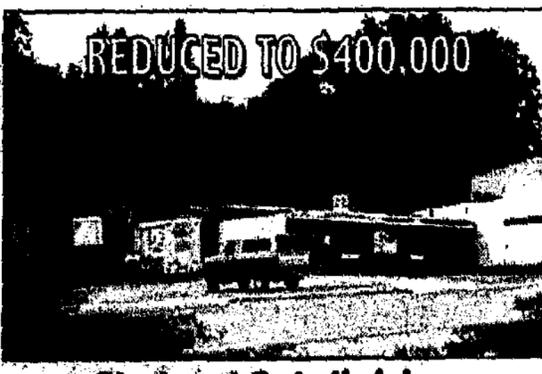
5000 sq. ft. Slab floor, 16' ceilings - 3 bays (2 are 1,000 sq. ft. each, 1 is 3,000 sq. ft.) Utilize 1, lease out 2. All have overhead door, toilet & lavatory. Metal roof, great highway exposure!



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.



REDUCED TO \$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.

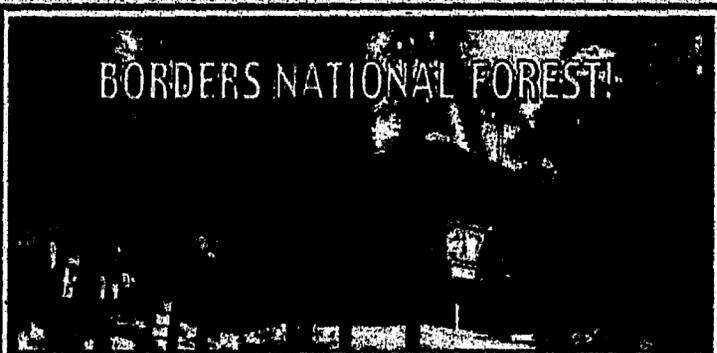


UNDER CONTRACT

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!



BORDERS NATIONAL FOREST!

Palo Verde Ranchettes' "Log Cabin Home"

Rogers • \$200,000 • East Chapparal Dr.

Built in 1998 - Borders National 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.



Ranches of Sonterra - 3

Bailey-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 - 3 bdrms, 4 baths total, 3 car garage - 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.

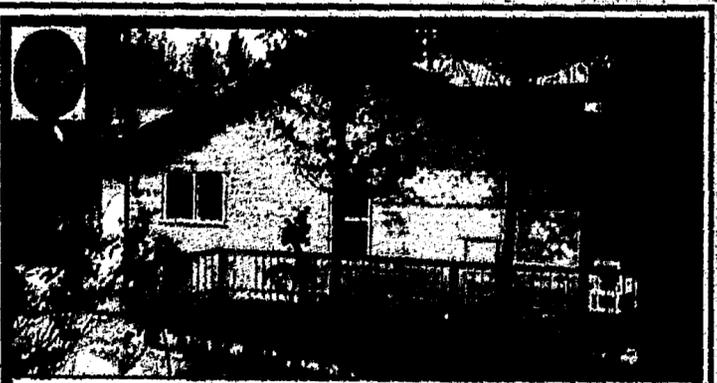
3 bdrm, 2 bath, 1920 sq. ft., approximate Chalet style in heavily wooded setting.



Skyland Addition

Whitten • \$149,500 • 910 Sudderth Drive

Small older home and 3 small older mobiles. Cute, needs updating. Live-in one, rent out three. C-2-zoned on a knoll on .48 acres. 1st time on market.



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.



"Bank Repo" - River Park Addition

State National Bank • \$35,000 • 315 Westview Dr.

Mobile add-on, 1 bdrm, 1 bath. Partially fenced. Being sold "as is." Seller financing.