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## County looks at expanding *colonia* designations

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

■ A designation as a *colonia* puts an area in line to qualify for special federal infrastructure funding.

After approving two resolutions requesting *colonia* status for the villages of Capitan and Ruidoso Downs, Lincoln County commissioners decided to look into the same designation for other parts of the county.

Tony Elias, director of the Southeastern New Mexico Economic Development District, said Thursday the governing boards of both towns initiated the requests, but needed the county to sign off by approving the

resolutions.

A *colonia* designation enhances a community's chance for money from the Community Development Block Grant program and other special infrastructure projects. Towns within 150 miles of the border with Mexico and in need of water, sewer and housing can apply.

Commissioner Leo Martinez asked why the county doesn't follow the lead of three of its villages.

The county seat of Carrizozo already is designated.

"No reason," Elias said. "It doesn't

mean you'll get the money, but it does give you one more option."

The areas around Alto Village and the village of Ruidoso would not qualify, he said.

Tony Seno, policy analyst for the county's Libertarian Party, questioned if the mayors of the villages applying will be proud of such a designation and "standing in line with their hands out for the government dime."

"We're not a third world nation here in Lincoln County," he said.

Martinez said one of the primary beneficiaries of a county designation

would be the historic settlement of Lincoln, which has severe water problems.

Lincoln resident Ralph Dunlap said he'd be interested in seeing if his area would stand a better chance for government money with a county *colonia* designation.

Elias said the village of Corona is too far north to be eligible to apply. He'll come back next month with more information. Martinez said he sure to include the small community of Oscura, south of Carrizozo and west of U.S. 54.

### A SEASON'S SUPPLY



DIANNE STALLINGS/STAFF

Mark Stambaugh of Angus Firewood stands by a cord of piñon/juniper wood that he sells for \$140 picked up at his business on State Highway 48. With the arrival of chilly weather and the firewood-buying season beginning, state officials say it pays to know some basic facts about purchasing wood for fuel. Story on page 6A.

## Officials remind utility companies to fix road cuts

Alternative: County road crews could do work and charge firms

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
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Roads across Lincoln County are marred by patches from utility companies cutting into surfaces to bury their lines and pipes, and Commissioner William Schwettmann says something should be done now to ensure that the repairs are completed properly.

County Manager Tom Stewart said he sent letters to four companies excavating on county rights of way, asking for an update on the status of repairs.

He reminded representatives of each company that the county ordinance requires restoring the surface to "as good" a condition as existed before the work outlined in the excavation permit.

The companies doing the work were listed as Charter Communications, Zia Natural Gas, Valor Telecommunications and Power Structures Inc. Some other utilities and contractors also may work in the rights of way occasionally, Stewart said.

"The last three years, we've had a lot of cuts from installation of cable, fiber optics and utilities," Schwettmann said. "Our roads are crisscrossed with cuts that go on and on. I just want a chance for our representative to go out and inspect them."

"At this time of year with the cold overnight weather, the repairs on all of these cuts are put on hold until next year for proper patching."

Commissioner L. Ray Nunley suggested the county road department handle the repairs and charge the companies. That way, the quality of work would be known, the schedule would be met and County Road Manager Albert Hernandez wouldn't have to "chase down" the companies, he said.

Hernandez said he could come up with average cost of repair and charge that for the permit and use the money to patch the cuts. He agreed the best approach is for the county to handle the repairs.

Chairman Rex Wilson asked if Hernandez has enough manpower to cover that extra work.

Commissioner Rick Simpson said a contractor could be hired to do the chip seal and pavement surfaces and the county road crew could handle base course and gravel roads.

"It's better than chasing them down," Wilson agreed.

Spokesmen for Charter and Zia said they work closely with Hernandez and respond to his criticisms on patching.

Schwettmann said at least if the county has to wait until after winter, the snow will show up unstable patching by spring. "They'll cave in," he said.

Under the county's new ordinance that will take effect Oct. 31, fees for patching could be imposed.

**"Our roads are crisscrossed with cuts that go on and on."**

William Schwettmann  
COUNTY COMMISSIONER

## Village ends pumping that dried neighbors' wells

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Three home owners in Upper Eagle Creek off Ski Run Road were alarmed a few months ago when the water levels in their wells started dropping.

They discovered that the village of Ruidoso was pumping a 750-foot deep exploratory well, which was unlined and apparently was drilled

closer than the state-required 660-foot distance from domestic wells.

Two of the home owners went without water in their wells for five weeks and a third home owner for two weeks.

Village Manager Alan Briley said that after he was informed about the situation, he shut down the exploratory well.

That action occurred within the last month

and water is returning to the three domestic wells, which were drilled about 150 feet deep.

He declined to discuss the situation in more detail because of the possibility of litigation.

One resident, who has lived in the area for more than three decades, said Eagle Creek used to flow constantly and maintained a population of cut throat trout, but this year it didn't flow at all.

## Police bust man with 39 guns

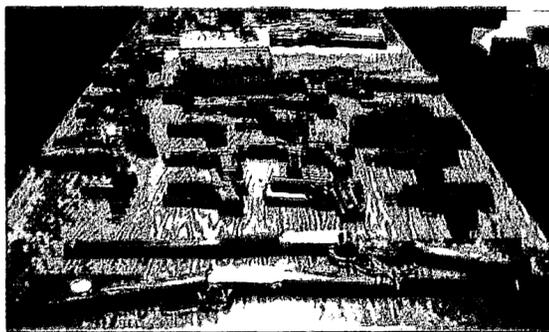
BY SANDY SUGGITT  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

What started as a domestic dispute about a dog resulted in the arrest of a Ruidoso man for felony possession of 39 firearms and sophisticated burglary tools and presenting fraudulent identification.

Ruidoso police arrested James Doran, 41, on Oct. 2 at Cherokee Village on Highway 70 for allegedly presenting false affidavit for title and vehicle registration and again on Oct. 13 for 39 counts of felony possession of

weapons, 39 counts of tampering with evidence, possession of stolen property, possession of burglary tools, possession of drug paraphernalia and trafficking in controlled substances.

"He had numerous fraudulent identification cards, police credentials, fictitious birth certificates and drivers licenses, five different social security cards with different licenses, and he claimed an income of \$3,300 last year, so the IRS is interested in this case, too," said Lanny Maddox, police chief.



COURTESY PHOTO

Police confiscated these weapons from James Doran, 41.

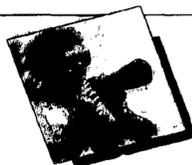
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## Ruidoso turns sour for some restaurants

Several eateries close doors/ 3C



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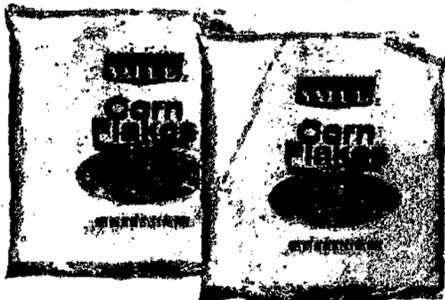
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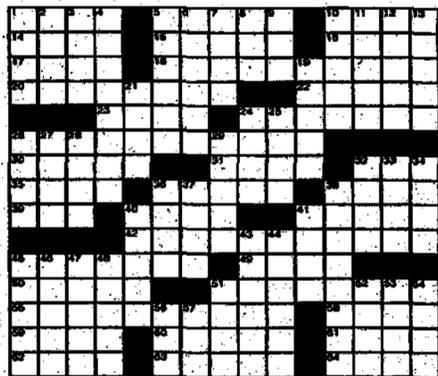
# Crossword

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Ship's complement
  - 5 Atlas feature
  - 10 Call's male
  - 14 Lifesaver
  - 15 Yankee manager Joe
  - 16 Nobelist Wiesel
  - 17 Tech sch. grad
  - 18 Beginning of a quote by W. C. Fields
  - 20 Pappazzo's purchase
  - 22 Place for the undecided
  - 23 Hawaii County's seat
  - 24 Military assaults
  - 25 Quote, part 2
  - 30 Napoleon, notably
  - 31 Debatable

- DOWN**
- 1 Word in French restaurant names
  - 2 Betting setting
  - 3 Trust
  - 4 Unwelcome sight on an apple
  - 5 ... is fear
  - 6 "Later"
  - 7 Sp. ladies
  - 8 Go off
  - 9 Holiday in 20th cen.
  - 10 Feature of a rafter joint
  - 11 Film role for Kate Nelligan
  - 12 "Odyssey" enchantress
  - 13 Conservative Alan
  - 19 Note in the C minor scale
  - 21 Long sentence
  - 24 Ancient colonnade
  - 25 Mariner's cry
  - 26 Typographer's strike
  - 27 Neurotransmission site
  - 28 Sounds in pounds
  - 29 Drive forward
  - 32 Typographer's strike



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GAGA DORAN SLUM  
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 PERM GORIN IRON  
 MONREVSAROUND  
 SABB TOP  
 GAURO BEALBOFF  
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 AMIN TUTO BIVE  
 STRAD YUNAL NUD  
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 LEA ASKA  
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 ALDO HIENO JOBO  
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- 33 Big Apple award
- 34 "Not on"
- 36 1980 Olympic site
- 37 An OK city
- 38 Like perfume
- 40 Half of a 45
- 41 Part of A.D.
- 43 Slate.com employee
- 44 Comics character with an "F" on his sweater
- 45 Pen
- 46 Like many kitchens
- 47 Nautical direction
- 48 Banks hold it
- 51 Notable caravel
- 52 Suit to
- 53 Colleges, to Aussie
- 54 It may be shaken
- 56 Serenity chapter
- 57 Baby's cry

# Residents seek flooding help

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The three property owners on Janet Drive would like to improve the landscaping on their tracts, but in the last 18 months they've seen \$11,000 of work washed away from flooding.

Shamie Mills Eubank told Lincoln County Commissioners Thursday they need some help to ensure money they invest to improve the road won't be wasted.

"We've flooded three times in the last 1 1/2 years," she said. "Several private residences and a public road (Gavilan Canyon) were closed twice in the last year."

Janet Drive was built without county permits and not to specifications, said County Attorney Alan Morel. It was never accepted for county maintenance and the county can't spend money on a private road.

on the cost of replacing an existing culvert with a larger size and other necessary drainage improvements.

County Manager Tom Stewart will look into possible sources of emergency funding, but he said he's not optimistic.

He met Tuesday on site with a representative of the U.S. Forest Service, Hernandez, Commissioner Leo Martinez and Gary Rutherford of the project management department of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

"He took pictures and will get with a hydrological engineer for a recommendation," Stewart said of Rutherford. "There's about \$15 million available nationwide for this type of project, but it requires a 35 percent cash match. I'm not too optimistic."

"I don't recommend you do anything, or you will be seeing requests from all over the county," he said.

But the commission could designate money for drainage improvements in the public right of way along the road that might lessen the possibility of future flooding, Morel said.

The culprit was a fire a year two years ago that burned off vegetation on the mountain above the road. When heavy rain hits, water rushes down the bare mountain with nothing to stop it.

The last flood occurred Sept. 15 when about four inches of rain fell in the area, washing away most of the north side of Janet Drive and causing Gavilan Canyon Road to become impossible at the intersection.

Commissioners directed Road Manager Albert Hernandez to come up with an estimate

Martinez said the project should have been handled as part of the reclamation work after the state and county declared a fire emergency in May 2000.

Morel said the county filed for disaster money after the Cree Fire, but the federal government said the flooding that followed from the loss of vegetation didn't qualify.

Maybe the county should take another look and declared a new disaster from the September flooding, said Commissioner William Schwettmann. The Corps takes too long, he said.

"We have people willing to put up their money," Martinez said. "This needs to be addressed."

In the interim, the Forest Service should install more barricades to slow water runoff after a rain, he said.

Eubank said property owners could coordinate the work on the road at their expense with drainage work by the county.

# GUNS: Ruidoso man facing multiple charges

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Doran previously served time for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and escaped from a Texas penitentiary, and is now in Lincoln County Detention Center on \$2 million bond, Maddox said.

Ruidoso police officer Clyde Stinnett investigated the domestic dispute, which involved bullet holes at Remax, 1009 Mechem Drive, where Doran had "waged a campaign of harassing phone calls" against a real estate agent about his Rottweiler that had been left at a house that subsequently was sold.

"Most officers would have just gotten the information, but he took an extra step and developed James Doran as a suspect on that case for criminal damage to property and continued on with his case," Maddox said. "It led to first establishing that Doran was a convicted felon and found to be in possession of 39 assorted weapons including assault oozies, an AR/15 assault rifle and numerous other semi-automatics, a stockpile of ammunition, thousands of dollars in gold krugerrand (South African coins), a switchblade and expensive jewelry."

Maddox said Doran's prima-

ry alias was Edward Foster, but he also had identification for Joe Black, Edward Doran, Edward Ellis, James Edward Gonzales, Joseph Black, Edward Killas, James Edward Marin, and James E. Doran.

From April 1, 1999, to March 31, 2000, Doran leased a shop called Silver Mine in LeClaire shopping center in Midtown, according to Tony Dumber, owner of the shopping center.

The U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms has been notified, said Det. Jim Biggs, but a preliminary hearing has been tentatively set for Oct. 23 in district court.

# Ruidoso still lagging behind in precipitation

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A dusting of snow last week, following a wetter than usual September, wasn't enough to push Ruidoso over the average precipitation for the period of January through October.

But the month still has two weeks to go to make up lost inches.

By Sept. 16, Ruidoso received 4.61 inches of rain for

the month, according to information from the weather summary of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. That put the area substantially ahead of the September monthly average of 2.50 inches. But Ruidoso still lagged behind by 1 inch the January through September figure of 1.753 inches.

At the same time, the Lincoln County seat of Carrizozo, about 4,000 feet lower than Ruidoso and farther

west, registered .70 of an inch compared to the normal 1.88 inches for September, placing it more than 3 inches under average for the year-to-date.

The town continued a deficit trend through Oct. 14, showing .15 of an inch of rain compared to the average of 1.19 inches for the month.

For the year-to-date, Carrizozo hit 7.22 inches, significantly lower than the average 11.81 inches.

# Community center gets new push

BY SANDY SUGGITT  
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Realtor Joe Zagone spoke at the Lincoln County Health and Wellness Council meeting Tuesday about petitions for the community center planned in 1993 and then voted down in a bond issue that failed last year.

Zagone said he and others have talked to civic organizations about the architectural plan that was requested by citizens in 1993 and funded by the Legislature. The community center would include a swimming pool, teen center, indoor

walking track, community events room with recreational facilities and offices for the village Parks and Recreation Department.

"I don't want to see this pass," Zagone said. "I want the entire community to get behind it. It's for our entire community. Sell the Senior Center and put it on one side and the teen center on the other."

The Health and Wellness Council voted to make a recommendation to the Lincoln County Commission to continue and accelerated support for the community center.

The council is an advisory body to the County Commission that oversees health-related issues in the county and provides a forum to coordinate efforts in the community to avoid duplication.

One of the main goals of the council is to develop a cohesive health plan for the county, said Genevieve Phelan, chairperson. Subcommittees include programs in perinatal, early childhood, school-aged children, Maternal Child Health, after-school substance abuse, behavior, DWI prevention, primary care and others.

# Capitan musicians to go on concert tour

The Capitan Middle School and High School guitar and choir classes will perform free at the following locations on Tuesday, Oct. 23:

Zia Senior Citizens Center,

9:15 a.m.; Ruidoso Care Center, 10:45 a.m.; and Ruidoso Downs Senior Citizens Center.

These concerts are open to the public.

The tour will end with a concert at the Traylor Gym, Capitan Schools, at 2:35 p.m. Admission is \$1 and half the proceeds will be donated to the Raymond Zamora Jr. fund.

**\*\*\* PUBLIC MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT \*\*\***

**US Highway 70: Ruidoso Downs, to Riverside NMSHTD Project No. AC-MIP-070-4(35)**

The New Mexico State Highway & Transportation Department will hold a community meeting to discuss the need for and locations of additional turning lanes for the proposed improvements to US 70. The purpose of the meeting is to address public concerns on the need for additional lanes to accommodate left turns and to discuss proposed locations for these lanes. All members of the public are invited to participate in the upcoming meeting.

The meeting will be held at the Hondo Valley Schools Multi-purpose Meeting Room on Wednesday, October 24, 2001. The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. and end at about 8:00 p.m. Representatives of the NMSHTD will be available to discuss the location and design of the proposed turning lanes. Preliminary design plans that illustrate the proposed turning lanes will also be available for review.

If you have questions about the upcoming meeting or need additional information, please call David Pennington, Parsons Brinckerhoff at (505) 881-5357 or Luis Alba, NMSHTD Project Development Engineer at (505) 872-9857.

Persons with disabilities requiring special accommodations for the meeting should direct their requests to the above persons at least two days in advance of the meeting date.

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### OUR OPINION

## Finding comfort in tradition

The Mescalero people gather in support of America

One admirable endeavor of the Mescalero Apache people is their continuing effort to preserve tribal traditions in the face of a changing, complicated world.

That came to the fore once more last weekend as the people gathered at the tribal ceremonial grounds to take part in a gathering for peace and unity called "Apaches Unite for America."

Tribal members had seen the horror of Sept. 11 on television, and took their concerns to the tribal council. They understood the heart of the matter: The future of their children, great-grandchildren and great-

great-grandchildren. As a practical matter, they recognized the connection between terrorism and the focus of a federal government that long has supported the tribal economy.

An elder and traditional leader told the council that, "Tribal traditions call for gatherings during times of war and devastation. These gatherings bring the Apache people together."

This return to tribal traditions, said one elder, offers great comfort to the Apache people.

Such gatherings, we think, would give comfort to all people, everywhere.

## Keeping focus in unfathomable times

No question about it, these are troubling times for everybody. The everyday world we knew before Sept. 11 just isn't the same, no matter how hard we try to keep our focus on whatever we're doing.



MOUNTAIN ASIDES  
KEITH GREEN

When television, and especially cable television, gives minute-by-minute updates on every bomb dropped, missile fired and anthrax sprinkled, the challenge becomes one of simply keeping our sense of proportion.

Perhaps that explains some of the letters to the editor we've received recently. These letters, almost irrespective of subject matter, seem to have been written with a passionate edge we would not have expected a few months earlier.

Whether defending, or opposing, prayer in the public schools; defending, or opposing, an assisted living center; the right, or wrong, to store manure in horse country — whatever the subject, the edge is sharper, the reaction more adamant.

It all seems to be a spinoff from the anger, the fear and uncertainty that came, unbelievably, with the murder of thousands of innocent people by people who were willingly to die with them.

Deliberate suicide in the name of a deity is beyond the ken of Western culture, and the polar-

ized attitudes created might, in the long run be more damaging than anything al-Qaida perpetrates in its self-declared "jihad."

This nation, the United States, was founded on certain principles that we must never forget, chief among them the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

Those rights do not include the right to prevent anybody else from pursuing their own life, liberty and happiness in any fashion they choose. They do include the right of free speech.

But, then, *homo sapiens* is a contentious, argumentative species as willing to swing a club as to offer a hand of friendship. That is what brings on wars.

The other night, the founder of the Ayn Rand Institute (firmly grounded in self-interest and responsibility) took President Bush to task on the "O'Reilly Factor" TV program for even considering feeding the Afghans the U. S. Air Force is bombing. "It's either war, or it's love thy neighbor," said Leonard Peikoff.

We could — almost — agree, if it weren't for the fact that international terrorism is an undefinable enemy, unreachable by reason, intransigent by definition.

The President is feeling his way through unknown territory, in a kind of climate never seen before on such a monstrous scale, and in that sort of situation anything is worth trying.

Nobody knows what will work.

But we do know that in our village, our county, our state and nation, the kind of people we become after this war will depend on how we face today's crises.



### YOUR OPINION

## In pursuit of lower gas rates in Capitan, Carrizozo

To the editor:

I am writing...to the citizens of Capitan and Carrizozo who are consumers of natural gas from Capitan-Carrizozo Natural Gas (CCNG) to let them know that they should be as enraged as I am about our current gas rates.

I attended the village of Capitan's regular monthly meeting on Oct. 9 at which time they discussed CCNG, the rates beginning Nov. 1, and the probability of calling a public meeting to discuss the gas company.

We were told at that time that the rates for CCNG will be lowered to approximately \$8.40 per mcf effective Nov. 1, 2001. Today, I called Zia Natural Gas to find out what their rates were and was told that effective Oct. 1 they are 39.05 cents per ccf. This figures out to be approximately \$3.91 per mcs, which is \$4.49 per mcf less than CCNG charges. Even though Zia has a \$8 base fee per month, the rates are still much less than those of CCNG. It is my understanding that Zia at one time made an offer to purchase CCNG but the current board of directors decided against that. At this point, they plan to have a public hearing before the end of the year to determine what should happen to CCNG.

The public schools are the biggest user of natural gas in Capitan and probably in Carrizozo. If you think about it, the amount of money saved by the public schools if Zia Gas were billing them is significant. This savings could be used for so many things the schools need. To put this savings into an example we... can understand, look at it this way: If your household in January or February of 2002 (two of our coldest months) uses 2600 mcf of gas under CCNG rates, you will be paying 218.40 for your monthly gas bill. Under Zia's rates, you will be paying \$101.66 plus the \$8 base fee for that same 2600 mcf of natural gas. That's a difference of \$108.74, and I don't know about you but I can think of many other uses for that \$108.74. It could buy medicine, groceries or any of the many other things that a person requires. Granted, part of the increased rate for CCNG is a trans-

portation fee charged them by Zia, which is passed on to us.

If you think about it, you can imagine what the schools could do with the difference that would appear in their gas bill. Also, the village offices, businesses, County Detention Center and many others would pay less for natural gas.

I don't know about you, but I would prefer that the taxes I pay the village and the county not be used for high gas rates when there is an alternative.

I feel that we should request CCNG to have that public hearing sooner rather than later, and that we should have the opportunity to find out just why they don't want to save the individuals, schools, businesses, village, etc., the money that could be saved by selling to Zia. I further feel that we should have a very detailed explanation as to why and how keeping CCNG would benefit the village. Also, we should be made aware of the salaries received by the employees and the board of directors (it is supposedly our gas company) and we should have knowledge of all operating costs.

Mary Brothers  
Capitan

### What propane danger?

To the editor:

Isn't it amazing that by labeling something a safety hazard, we can eliminate it from our lives no matter who or what it affects? The mayor commented that Zia Gas expressed a danger in the use of propane in the village.

Now, I wonder why? Certainly, not the fact that it would eliminate the competition for gas usage and create a monopoly.

Has anyone asked the propane companies for their facts? In speaking with three area companies, I was told no one has. I have lived in several mountain towns in New Mexico and Colorado; we seem to be the only one worried about propane. The other towns, while concerned about fire, seem to appreciate our forests and our right to heat our homes the way we choose.

My propane cost is one-third less

than (paid by) a friend heating the same square footage on natural gas, with insulation and no difference in degree of thermostat.

How many homes not insulated would use more gas, causing the residents a higher heating bill if on natural gas, due to all the extra charges on their bill? How could these people pay? What next, a ban on wood stoves?

Eleanor Weber  
Ruidoso

### Assault unwarranted

To the editor: The Oct. 9 verbal assault on Debra Ingle, the unpaid temporary supervisor of Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority, calls for an immediate response from the residents of the county outside the Village of Ruidoso, which has its own waste collection agency.

This woman, with no background or experience in solid waste management, has within a few months turned around the operation of the LCSWA to the extent that it is successful and operating within budget. This has not happened for some years.

If you are not familiar with the Oct. 9 incident: Very briefly, trustees at the Village of Capitan meeting and the Town of Carrizozo meeting made another unwarranted assault on Ms. Ingle over the by-laws of LCSWA! Over this she has no control; operation and service, yes.

Anyway, if you are pleased with the service you are now receiving, please make your opinion known by calling any one of the LCSWA directors: Modesto Chaves, Lloyd Nickerson, Jack Harris or Frank Cummins.

This is vital, as the LCSWA at its November meeting will make a decision as to whether or not to retain Debra Ingle as the director of operations of LCSWA.

Don't let the management fall back into the hands of a "good old boy." Support progress!

M. Van Cleave Shamblin  
Capitan

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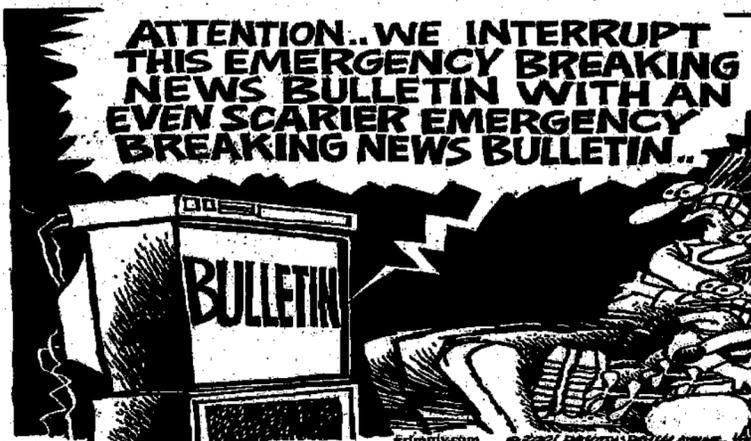
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# Take care buying firewood

Consumers can protect themselves by learning about the various types of firewood available and how it is measured, officials say.

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Although natural gas prices dropped and electric rates are uncertain, residents wounded by last winter's high prices may decide to stock up on firewood this year, just for backup. Others use it as their main source of heat. Before buying, consumers should become familiar with the types of wood available locally and how to determine whether the amount delivered is accurate, said officials with the Forestry Division and the Consumer Services Bureau of the New Mexico Department of Agriculture. Barbara Luna, Capitan district forester for the state Forestry Division said hardwoods such as oak burn hotter. "Around here, we like juniper and piñon," she said. "The piñon is hotter and doesn't pop as much as the juniper. Many people call juniper cedar

and it pops so much, you need a screen for sure."

Generally, Ponderosa pine, white fir or Douglas fir are less desirable, she said.

"But they're also less expensive, so it may depend on your pocketbook," Luna said. "Pine will leave more soot in a chimney because it doesn't burn as hot and clean."

Fuel wood sales in New Mexico should be measured in terms of a cord, which is 128 cubic feet.

"You can arrive at a cord by stacking wood 4 feet by 4 feet by 8 feet or 2 feet by 4 feet by 16 feet," said NMDA bureau chief Ray Johnson.

Regulations under the New Mexico Weights and Measures Law, adopted in 1997, prohibits selling fuel wood in unspecified quantities such as "loads," he said. Other banned terms are face cord, rack or pile.

The law restricts vendors from using fraudulent means of selling fuel wood. Wood is to be sold by the cord or fraction thereof. If sold by weight, the seller must provide the equivalent price per cord and the price per unit of weight. For instance, if priced at \$70 per ton and if the fuel wood weighs 3,000 pounds, the equivalent

price per cord would be \$105. The provisions don't apply to small bundles of less than 100 pounds.

Johnson recommends buyers obtain a receipt that shows the seller's name and address, the price total amount and type of wood purchased. If possible, the buyer should note the seller's telephone number and write down the license plate number of the delivery vehicle.

When the wood is delivered, Johnson recommends that the buyer have it stacked and measured while the seller is present.

In communities such as Ruidoso, residents can deal with established year-round businesses such as Angus Firewood on State Highway 48 as well as many individuals or a few companies that have supplied fuel wood in the area for years.

If a customer has a problem, contact the seller first and before the wood is burned. If the problem can't be resolved, contact the NMDA Consumer Services Bureau at (505) 646-1616 or visit the Web site at <http://nmdaweb.nmsu.edu> under Departmental information, then click on Regulations on Sale of Firewood.

# Group to hear about Route 66 project

Michael Romero Taylor, director of the Route 66 Corridor Preservation Project, will talk about his special assignment and about adobe preservation work during the last meeting for the year of the Lincoln County Historical Society Saturday. Speaking on "Adobe - From New Mexico to Timbuktu," Taylor will walk members and guests through some of his more interesting adobe projects. The meeting will begin at

12:30 p.m. at the Carrizozo Women's Club at 11th and D avenues next to the Masonic Lodge building, now the LCHS Archive.

Participants are asked to bring a favorite dish to share at this potluck lunch and annual meeting.

Taylor will speak and show slides of his work with adobe preservation on international trips to parts of the world where adobe is a tradition.

Previously assistant director of the New Mexico State

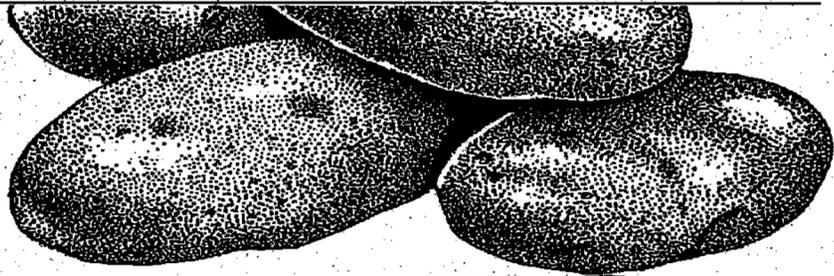
Monuments, he now is director for the National Park Service's Route 66 project and some of his slides will be of structures along the historic route.

He also will meet with volunteers interested in helping preserve the women's club building, one of the county's exceptional adobe structures. Arrive at 11 a.m. for the session on saving the building.

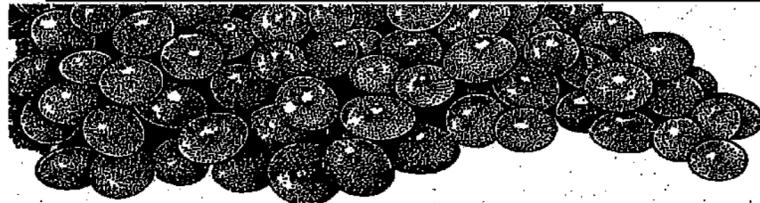
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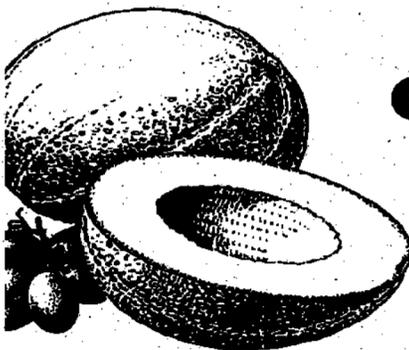
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## Area school enrollments decline

■ All Lincoln County school districts except Corona counted fewer students on this year's 40th day of class.

BY SANDY SUGGITT  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Lincoln County schools are losing students — and that means less money for next year's budgets unless enrollment rises during the year.

Capitan schools reported a 7.5 percent decrease in students on their 40th day, a decrease of 46 students; Carrizozo schools are down about 7 percent, a decrease of 17 students; Hondo has 10 fewer students this year at the 40th day than last year — a 7.3 percent decrease; and Ruidoso schools are down 67 students, or 2.7 percent.

"They just go to where the jobs are and apparently there aren't enough jobs to keep a family with two incomes employed," Larry Miller, Capitan's superintendent, said. "It is unnerving, to say the least, because all of our budget depends on our enrollment."

Rick Cogdill, superintendent of the Carrizozo schools, said losing 7 percent of the student population is significant enough to affect the budget next year.

"It may affect the raise you can give your teachers," Cogdill said. "It might affect monies you have available for activities and you might have to cut back in various areas ... You're given so much money and you have to make it work."

Hondo superintendent John MacCallum sees the decrease in enrollment as part of a statewide trend in rural schools, while enrollment along the corridor from Las Cruces to Las Alamos is increasing.

"Our enrollment fluctuates

because we do have migrant kids," he said. "We can lose and gain migrant school children based on what's happening to those families ... and we never know from one week to the next whether they're going to be in school."

Hondo also loses students to other districts occasionally because Hondo can't offer the programs that larger districts offer.

Ruidoso's 2.7-percent decrease follows a trend of growth over the last seven or eight years, said Mike Gladden, superintendent of schools. The school district had been growing at about 1 to 1.5 percent a year for the last two years and about 3 percent for the three years prior.

Gladden said a 2.7 percent decrease in enrollment would mean about \$220,000 less for the school district next year. In 1992, the school experienced a decline in enrollment and managed to make it through the school year on the cash balance. (Funding for the current year at that time was based on the 40th day enrollment. Now funding for the next year's budget is based on the averages of the 40th, 80th and 120th days.)

"You have to look at different areas you might trim to come up with that type of money," Gladden said. "You have to look at staff because that's 85 percent of our budget ... Next year, it would mean we would have to look at each position where we had a resignation or retirement and hopefully it could be taken care of through attrition, but then if you can't ... you would have to look at a reduction in force of the staff."

Ruidoso's mobility rate is about 35 percent, Gladden

said, so it's difficult to predict what will happen.

"If you look at construction, it seems to be going very well, so that would indicate that construction is mostly for second homes or retirement homes because we're just not getting the students moving in," he said.

Only Corona didn't report a decline in enrollment this year. Corona's school superintendent Travis Lightfoot said enrollment in that district has been stable at 80 students over the last five years, and the 40th-day figure was 77 students.

"We typically we serve 80 to 95 students," Lightfoot said. "We have a high rate of migratory students, it's a rural ranching community ... We'll probably gain some more new ones; we have two more moving in next week and anticipate three or four by the 80th day."

The New Mexico State Department of Education's public information officer,

Ruth Williams, said that statewide enrollment is 320,317 students, down 3,936 from last year and down 10,055 from the year before.

The state department does provide Emergency Supplemental Funds to some schools — including Hondo and Corona — because their small student population makes it difficult to operate a school otherwise. The problem is, the total amount in that fund is \$2,462,600, and the total of requests to date is \$4,563,915.

"Dollars are first allocated for out-of-state tuition and health and safety," Williams said. "She said she couldn't give a firm number on the number of districts applying for the funds as the requests come in throughout the year."

**"They just go to where the jobs are ..."**

Larry Miller  
Capitan  
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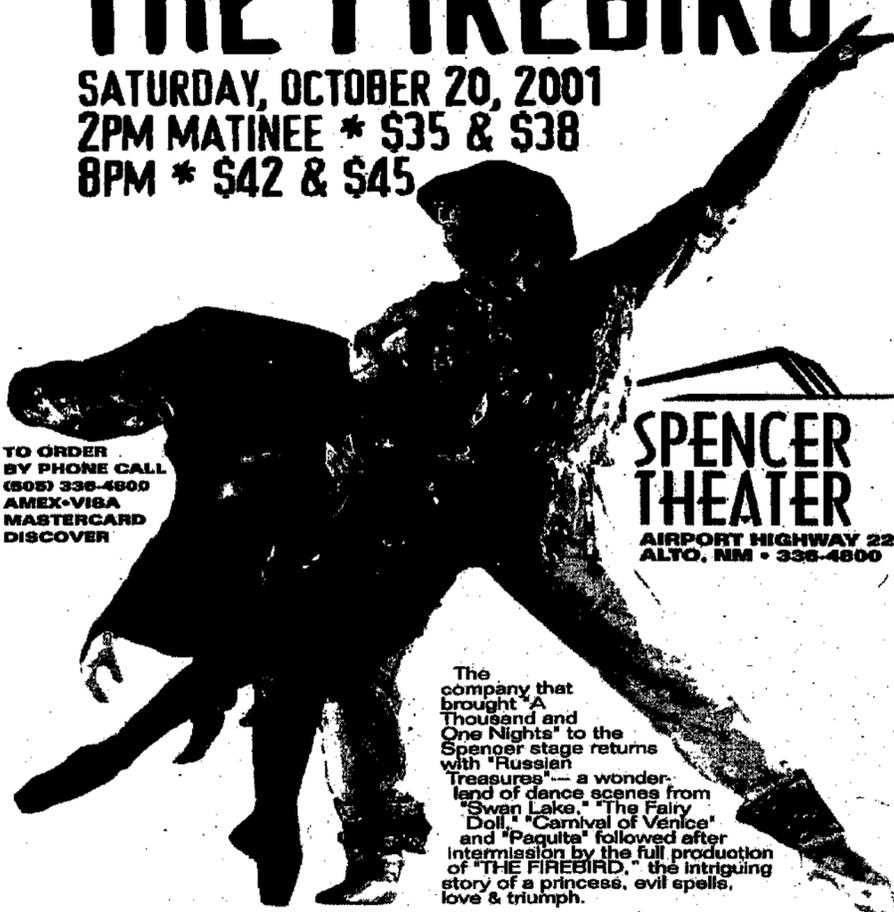
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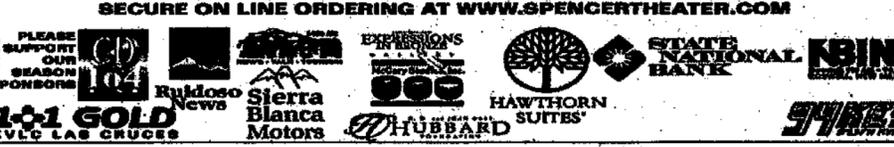
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### 3 OK after night on mountain

■ The stranded teens built fires to keep warm and shot a deer to eat for dinner.

BY SANDY SUGGITT  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Three Mescalero teenagers spent a night in the mountains at 11,000 feet after one of them hurt his knee, and they didn't call 911 on their cellular telephone because they didn't consider their plight an emergency.

Charles Geronimo, 18, Tyson Apachito, 15, and Donna Comanche, 13, were hiking on the southwest side of White Mountain Saturday. About 5 p.m., Geronimo hurt his knee and couldn't make it down the Sulfur Springs cliff, said the boy's father, Joseph Geronimo. They built three fires to keep warm and shot a deer for supper.

Geronimo's daughter called Bureau of Indian

Affairs Conservation officers and they began an all-night search for the youths, he said.

"At 7 a.m. they would have gotten Search and Rescue with the hound dogs to track them down," Geronimo said. "They had wanted to call at night, but I told them they (the youths) knew the country well and didn't want to cause a general alarm."

The teens had a cellular phone keyed to dial 911, but they didn't call.

"They were ashamed to call 911 because they said it wasn't an emergency. I guess to them an emergency means somebody died," Geronimo said. "They had matches and lighters and couldn't make it down the Sulfur Springs cliff, said the boy's father, Joseph Geronimo. They built three fires and spent the night between the fires," he said.

About 5 a.m., the youths

started walking up the canyons again while Geronimo and conservation officers started up, and about 10 minutes before Search and Rescue would be called, officers Mark Brusuelas and Ivan Scott picked them up and gave them a ride home.

"It sounds like they had more of an adventure than anything," Geronimo said. "Maybe this will teach everybody to always carry matches. It's part of our tradition; we're taught since we're kids how to build a fire and always to carry knives and firearms."

Charles Geronimo said he twisted his knee when walking.

"I didn't mind camping out there," he said. "We had rifles and a fire going that night, so we weren't cold or anything... I wasn't hurt bad enough for them to come get me because I could walk on it, but it was going to take some time."

### FUNERALS DEATHS

#### Ida J. Bortfeld

Services for Ida J. Bortfeld, 53, were Oct. 12 in Alamogordo.

Mrs. Bortfeld died Tuesday, Oct. 9, 2001, at her residence in La Luz.

She was born April 24, 1948, to Orvis Charles and Lucille Remington in Colchester, Vt. She moved to Alamogordo in 1963 and graduated from Alamogordo High School in 1965. She was the long-time office manager at Thunderbird OB/GYN. She married Charlie Bortfeld June 4, 1994, in Alamogordo. She was a member of Our Savior Lutheran Church, Gerald Champion Regional Medical Center Hospital Auxiliary and P.E.O.

Survivors include her husband, Charlie Bortfeld, of the family home; sons Todd Holmes and his wife, Renee, Rick Holmes and his wife, Tracy, all of Alamogordo, and Ron Holmes and his wife, Crystal, of Albuquerque; a stepdaughter, Brooke Bortfeld, of Las Cruces; grandchildren Leanne Holmes, Taylor Holmes and Raelynn Holmes of Alamogordo and

Sjetson Holmes and Savannah Holmes of Albuquerque; a step-granddaughter, Nicole Lee, of Alamogordo; her mother, Lucille Remington, of Ruidoso; brothers Craig Remington and his wife, Vivian, of Las Cruces, and Glenn Remington and his wife, Anna, of Ruidoso; and a sister, Mary Lou Jones and her husband, David, of Vernon, Texas.

She was preceded in death by her father, Orvis Charles Remington.

Memorials may be made to Alamogordo Home Care Hospice.

#### Carlos K. Sundayman

A funeral Mass for Carlos Kyle Sundayman, 50, of Mescalero, was Thursday at St. Joseph's Mission, with burial following at Mescalero Cemetery.

Mr. Sundayman died Monday, Oct. 15, 2001, in Ruidoso.

He was born Nov. 4, 1950, and had lived in Mescalero all his life. He was a cowboy and a member of the Catholic Church.

Survivors include children Raejean Carla Sundayman and Josette Sundayman, both of Mescalero; and a sister, Amy Randall, of Mescalero.

#### Joann Marie Lomax

Services for Joann Marie Lomax, 64, were Oct. 18 at Annunciation Church in Leadville.

She died Friday, Oct. 12, 2001, at her home in Ruidoso.

She was born in Leadville on May 20, 1937, to Rudolph Kochevar and JoAnn Yone Kochevar Mallow.

She married Robert Lomax in 1956 and his work in the aerospace field took them to many different parts of the country, and most recently to Ruidoso.

Survivors include her husband, Robert; a daughter, Karen Eggmann Klock; sons Roy, John, Brian and Chuck; four grandchildren; a sister, Nancy Criss; brothers Robert Kocheva and John Mallow; and numerous other relatives.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a brother, Rudy Kochevar, and several aunts.

### WEDDINGS ENGAGEMENTS

#### Wheeler-Campos

Friends and relatives gathered together as Gail Marie Wheeler and Ignacio Ray Campos were joined in marriage on Sept. 1.

The Rev. Alfred Galvan of St. Eleanor's Catholic Church officiated at the ceremony, which was followed by a luncheon served at the home of Polley Beal, a friend of the couple.

The couple reside in Ruidoso Downs.



Mr. and Mrs. Ignacio Ray Campos

For more Weddings-Engagements news, see page 4C of today's Ruidoso News.

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# SPORTS

## Ruidoso gets big victory

BY TODD BUTTS  
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

The Ruidoso Lady Warriors volleyball team played host to the Santa Teresa Desert Warriors (11-4, 3-2 District 4AAA) Tuesday night. It was a must-win situation for Ruidoso if they wanted a good spot in the district tournament.

After losing in five games the last time these two teams met, the Warriors (8-10, 3-2) knew they could compete with Santa Teresa. A tie for second place in the district was at stake, if the Warriors could defeat Santa Teresa at home.

The Warriors were not going to make the same mistake they made against the Portales Rams the week before. A slow start against the Rams cost them the match.

The Desert Warriors took a 11-5 lead in the first game of the match against Ruidoso. It was then that the Warriors' hard work and determination paid off. The Warriors lost the first game 15-12, but the comeback would carry them through the match.

"Santa Teresa is a good team. We did a great job defending them. The first game, we made a few unforced errors and that's how they got on top of us," said Warrior coach Albert Ronquillo. "Once we settled down and started playing our game, we were fine. We kept the pressure on them."



TODD BUTTS/STAFF

Warrior Carrie Line, right, gets down for the ball, as teammates try to help out. The Lady Warriors beat Santa Teresa in four games Tuesday.

We forced them to make errors."

With Warriors Jessica Gibson, Rachel Loya and Tamara Grant working the net, Ruidoso took a 7-1 lead in the second game of the match. Ruidoso's Jessica Candelaria then served up five points with the help of her teammates to finish off the Desert Warriors 15-5 and tie the match one game apiece.

Santa Teresa tried to break the Warriors momentum, and managed to keep pace early in the third game 4-4. Again Candelaria stepped to the service line. Senior Tania Sanchez setting up Carrie Line and Jenna Carrasco for the kills at the net. The Warriors soon had a 10-4 lead.

The Desert Warriors fought back to within two points, 11-9, but Ruidoso's Carrie Line was the beneficiary of nice passing

and teamwork as she served up the last four points and a 2-1 lead in the match.

Both teams were giving all they had in the fourth game. Ruidoso was leading 8-6, when Desert Warrior Terry Gonzalez dived for the ball, hitting her head on the floor. She was given a round of applause when she was able to walk off the court under her own power.

The Desert Warriors regrouped and tied the game 10-10 in an effort to take the match to a fifth game. But Ruidoso's ability to maintain the service was the key to finishing off Santa Teresa. After setting up the kills, it was Sanchez tipping the ball over the net for a 15-11 win to take the match, 3-1.

The Warriors will travel to Lovington Saturday for their final regular season game starting at 2 p.m.

**"Once we settled down and started playing our game, we were fine. ... We forced them to make errors."**

Albert Ronquillo  
RHS volleyball coach

## RHS girls soccer moving on to regionals

The Lady Warriors will move on to the postseason despite not recording a win this year.

BY TODD BUTTS  
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

The Ruidoso Warriors girls soccer team will have the opportunity to advance in the postseason play despite not recording a win this season. Because there are only two girls soccer teams in District 4A-AAA, and two teams advance to regionals, the Lady Warriors will move on.

The Warriors missed winning district by one goal. With the game tied 1-1 against the Santa Teresa Desert Warriors,

the defense for Ruidoso broke down late in the game, and Santa Teresa scored the game-winning goal, giving it the 2-1 district championship.

This will give the Lady Warriors the chance to take their season game experience to the regional playoffs. It was a tough schedule for the Warriors, as they played 14 varsity games, with only three against Class 3A schools. The rest were larger 4A and 5A schools.

The Warriors had some close games against a couple of the larger schools. The Warriors managed to keep pace with the Artesia Bulldogs 2-2 in the first half before falling, 4-2. Defensively, they stopped Las Cruces in the first half, 0-0. The Warriors

made a good showing, losing 3-1.

The young Warrior team, consisting of six eighth graders, five freshmen, two sophomores, two juniors and three seniors, will have its work cut out for it. Ruidoso will face Hope, the defending state champions in the first round of regional playoffs in Albuquerque Oct. 26 at 2 p.m.

"Considering how young we are, I'm pretty pleased with the way they are playing," said Warrior coach Sigurd Schmitz. "Overall we are improving, and that's what we need to do."

The Warriors' last chance to gain experience before the regional playoffs will be Saturday, when they travel to Alamogordo for the JV tournament.

## Mescalero wants to wrap season on positive note



TODD BUTTS/STAFF

Mescalero's Gerald Blake (22) chases down a Pine Hill runner earlier this year. The Chiefs are set to take on Lake Arthur Saturday in their season finale.

BY WES SCHWENGELS  
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

The Mescalero Chiefs football team won't just be playing for pride Saturday in Lake Arthur. According to coach Rodney Wright, they'll be playing for the future, too.

The Chiefs (2-6, 0-2 Dist. 1 Six-Man) had their best start in the program's four-year history, but has struggled lately, dropping three straight.

Two of those losses have come against district competition, including last week's 26-23 heartbreaker to the Carrizozo Grizzlies. And while the playoffs are now out of Mescalero's grasp, Wright said a win Saturday would give the returning players an extra something to build on for 2002.

"We've done good things this year," Wright said. "We've got a foundation to make good things happen at

Mescalero."

The Chiefs have won twice as many games this year as they had their first three years combined. They'll try to triple that total against the Panthers (6-1, 2-0).

Lake Arthur has had a good season and has already wrapped the district title with a win over Gateway Christian Oct. 12. And the Chiefs will be without starter Gerald Blake, who suffered a concussion Sept. 28. But Wright says the Panthers are beatable.

"Lake Arthur did not come across as the world-beaters everyone makes them out to be," he said.

Still, the Chiefs will have to execute better to have a chance. Mescalero had the ball three times inside the Carrizozo 5-yard line last week, but failed to punch it in each time.

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## 'Zozo has chance at playoffs

Win tonight would get Grizzlies in postseason

BY WES SCHWENGELS  
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

2001 has largely been unkind to the Carrizozo High School football team, but all that could change tonight if the Grizzlies can pull out a win.

That's a tall order however, as Carrizozo (2-6, 1-1 Dist. 1 Six-Man) will have to travel to Roswell to take on the Gateway Christian Warriors (4-4, 1-1) in the season finale.

The Grizzlies are coming off an exciting homecoming victory over the Mescalero Chiefs Oct. 12, in which they looked much better than they had most of the year.

Carrizozo beat the Chiefs 26-23 for its first district win of the season and ended Mescalero's hopes for the playoffs.

'Zozo's postseason chances are alive and well, however, despite suffering through a four-game losing streak midway through the year.

Lake Arthur (6-1, 2-0), which beat Carrizozo Oct. 5, has locked up the district title with wins over the Grizzlies and Gateway. Tonight's game between the two schools determines which one finishes second and earns a playoff bid.

Should the Grizzlies pull off the victory, it would be the second postseason berth in three years.

Carrizozo made it to the state semifinals in 1999.

Gateway started the season 3-0, but then dropped three straight before rebounding for a win over Mescalero Oct. 5. The Warriors lost to Lake Arthur last week, 63-16.

Tonight's game is scheduled to kick off at 7 p.m. in Roswell.

## side line

### Prep Scoreboard

**Football**  
Oct. 12  
Lovington 44, Ruidoso 20  
Clouderoft 12, Capitan 8  
Carrizozo 26, Mescalero 23

**Volleyball**  
Oct. 11  
Hagerman 3, Mescalero 0  
Oct. 13  
Portales 3, Ruidoso 0  
Match 3, Capitan 1  
Oct. 16  
Carrizozo 3, Corona 0  
Ruidoso 3, Santa Teresa 1

### Preps on Tap

**Friday, Oct. 19**  
**Football**  
Santa Teresa at Ruidoso, 7 p.m.  
Carrizozo at Gateway, 7 p.m.  
**Volleyball**  
Bosque Prep at Corona, 5 p.m.

**Saturday, Oct. 20**  
**Football**  
Mescalero at Lake Arthur, 2 p.m.  
**Volleyball**  
Hondo at Mescalero, 1 p.m.  
Ruidoso at Lovington, 2 p.m.

**Monday, Oct. 22 - Friday, Oct. 26**  
**Volleyball**  
Ruidoso, Corona, Carrizozo, Hondo, Capitan at District Tournaments

### On Deck

**Basketball Officials**  
Officials are needed for the upcoming season to referee 7th and 8th grade and junior varsity basketball games. People interested can train to become NIAAA officials. For more information, call Jovian Smith at 336-4357 ext. 219.

### Big Boys

**NFL**  
Denver at San Diego, 2 p.m., CBS  
Kansas City at Arizona, 2 p.m., CBS

### MLB

**Arizona vs. Atlanta**  
Tuesday: Arizona 2, Atlanta 0  
Wednesday: Atlanta 8, Arizona 1  
Friday: Game 3, Arizona at Atlanta, 6 p.m.  
Saturday: Game 4, Arizona at Atlanta, 6 p.m.  
Sunday: Game 5, Arizona at Atlanta, 6 p.m.  
Tuesday: Game 6, Atlanta at Arizona, 6 p.m.

**Seattle vs. New York**  
Wednesday: New York 4, Seattle 2  
Saturday: Game 3, Seattle at New York, 2 p.m.  
Sunday: Game 4, Seattle at New York, 6 p.m.  
Monday: Game 5, Seattle at New York, 6 p.m.

## Warriors look to get district win tonight

BY WES SCHWENGELS  
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

With only four teams in District 4AAA, tonight's game with Santa Teresa is a must-win for the Ruidoso Warriors.

The Warriors (4-3, 0-1 District 4AAA), fell in their district opener to No. 1 Lovington Oct. 12, 44-20. As a result, Ruidoso is forced to beat the Desert Warriors tonight and Portales Nov. 2 to reach the Class 3A state playoffs. In the latest coaches poll, Ruidoso is ranked fourth, while Portales (4-2, 0-0) is fifth.

But Santa Teresa is up first for the Warriors. Ruidoso easily took care of the Desert Warriors last season, pulling out a 55-6 victory. Ruidoso failed to make the playoffs in 2000, though.

That's something Warrior head coach Les Carter would like to change, starting tonight.

"The players know where we're at," Carter said Tuesday. "It's come down to the next two ballgames. If we win the next two, we're in the playoffs."

## Zamora still in critical condition

Capitan High School football player Raymond Zamora was still listed in critical condition, according to Nohemy Gonzalez, media relations worker at Thomason Hospital in El Paso, Texas.

Zamora has been in Thomason since Oct. 5, when he suffered head injuries during a football game.

## Tennis teen McDougal gets Carlsbad tournament top spot

The young netter swept through the tourney and is headed to El Paso today.

Local tennis prodigy Heather McDougal stepped up her game Oct. 12-14 while winning the Cavern City Junior Tennis Tournament's Girls' 14 division.

McDougal, an eighth grad-

er at Ruidoso Middle School, didn't drop a set in three matches after enjoying a first-round bye at the Carlsbad tourney.

She defeated Katarina Provenghi, of El Paso, Texas, in the championship round in straight sets to take the title. The score was 6-3, 7-5.

The USTA-sponsored tournament was played at the Rio Pecos Tennis Shop and drew

nearly 80 players from New Mexico and West Texas.

After her first-round bye, McDougal cruised past Jacquelyn Townsend, of Roswell, in straight sets, 6-1, 6-0.

She then defeated April Finney, also of Roswell, 6-1, 6-2 in the semifinals.

That led to the hard-fought championship against Provenghi.

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# Tigers improving prior to tourney

A close loss to Hatch is the latest sign that Capitan could be a Cinderella.

BY WES SCHWENGELS  
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

The Capitan High School Volleyball team continues to look better as the regular season is nearing a close.

The Tigers (2-16, 0-7 District 5AA) gave the Hatch Bears a run for their money Saturday, falling in a tight four-game match, 13-15, 15-6, 15-13 and 15-11.

The match started well for Capitan, as they took the first game, but serving problems plagued the Tigers in the second frame, and they couldn't get over the hump from there on out.

"The girls are starting to do some good things," Capitan coach Sherry Gowen said. "When they're pushed up against a wall, they come

**"The girls are starting to do some good things. When they're pushed up against a wall, they come out fighting."**

Sherry Gowen,  
Capitan volleyball coach

out fighting."

The regular season came to a close this week, as the Tigers played their final match before the district tournament Thursday. Results from that game against Cloudcroft were not available.

But regardless of whether the Tigers won or lost, they like their chances in the tourney, Gowen said.

"I'm happy to see them come together," she said.

That tournament will start in Lordsburg for Capitan, which will enter as the low seed. Should the Tigers pull off

the upset, it could be on to Hatch, Tularosa or Cloudcroft from there.

Capitan needs to finish second or better in the district tournament to advance to the regional playoffs.

The district tournament starts Monday. No confirmed times or locations were available at press time.

# CHIEFS: Team viewing last game as opportunity

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Converting just one of those opportunities would have given it the win.

Wright said similar problems on both offense and defense have plagued the Chiefs all year.

"If we had executed, we could be 6-1," he said.

Instead, they will be trying to

nail down the school's first district win ever.

"We have been approaching this as our best game, not our last game" Wright said. "... I'm excited about how far these kids have come. ... We're going to get stronger, we're going to get faster. I'm excited about what the future holds."

# Local bike racer wraps up state title in off-road series

Local mountain biker Tim Wierwille was awarded the yellow winner's jersey Oct. 6 at the Farmington Road Apple Mountain Bike Race.

Wierwille, a long time Ruidoso resident, earned the state title in the Masters (50 and older) category.

The racer attributes his title to accumulating points through participation and strong finishes.

"I bike for fun and fitness," Wierwille said. "It's great to be

outside enjoying the beauty of New Mexico."

The race, the oldest mountain bike competition in the United States, has been run since 1981.

The New Mexico Off-Road Series sanctions a number of off-road races throughout New Mexico. This year, races were held in Albuquerque, Angel Fire, Cloudcroft, El Paso, Los Alamos, Silver City, Socorro, Tijeras and the season finale in Farmington.

# BUCKING BANQUET



COURTESY/DINA SIGGINS

The Lincoln County Rodeo Club held its 2001 awards banquet Saturday at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds in Capitan. Kids who participated in at least four of the club's six rodeos were eligible for awards. At left, winners and sponsors are, top row from right: Bradley Huddleston, Chance Huddleston, Terry Gibbs, Dick Swenor, Josephine Gutierrez, Stacey Merrit; bottom row: Jessica Silva, Ashley Pruett, Destri Vincent, Zane Reynolds, Levi Silva and Cody Anderson. At right are winners Morgan Gibbs and Benjamin Sanchez. Many local businesses sponsored the club and its participants, including the Hubbard Foundation and Wal-Mart, which donated prize saddles.

# Grizzlies take care of Cardinals in district

Carrizozo swept past Corona in the last regular season game of the year between the two schools.

BY WES SCHWENGELS  
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Corona volleyball coach Rick Gage had hoped to see some positive signs in the Cardinals game with Carrizozo Tuesday.

Instead, the Grizzlies came out strong and finished off the Cardinals early, getting the 15-4, 15-11 and 15-8 in the district 7A match-up.

"We took about three steps backward last night," Gage

said Wednesday. "Carrizozo played well. They deserved to win last night. They just out-played us."

Both teams had just one district game remaining; Carrizozo was scheduled to play Bosque Prep Thursday, while the Cardinals will take on Bosque today.

Corona, whose only district win came against Bosque earlier this year, will need to beat the Bobcats in order to host a first-round district tourna-

ment game starting Monday.

Of course, to make the regional playoffs, Corona will have to beat Carrizozo, something they haven't done in two tries this season.

"We can't sweep Carrizozo," Gage said.

"Whether we can beat them I don't know. In my mind, we can. The girls feel like they can."

With only four teams in District 7A, and Mountainair looking almost unbeatable, three teams may be competing for one playoff spot come tourney time.

But Gage isn't looking that far ahead.

"First, we've got to beat Bosque," he said. "We can't look past them."

The Cardinals' game with Bosque will start today at 5 p.m. in Corona.

The district tourney starts Monday, but no times or locations are set.

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# Woman's Club welcomes girls

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Girls from the New Mexico Girls Ranch were invited to be guests at the meeting last week of the Ruidoso Woman's Club.

Located in Lamy, the ranch is a recipient of a yearly donation from the club, in addition to holiday remembrances for the girls.

According to a publication about the ranch put together by administrators Rob and Mary Jenkins, every day at 6:30 a.m., the girls get up, jump into their chore clothes

and head for the barns. Before breakfast, they feed the animals and muck out the stalls and pens. After breakfast, but before classes, more housekeeping work is scheduled in the residential cottages.

School starts at 8:25 a.m. The girls help prepare lunch and clean up after the meal. They're given a breather after school before heading back to the barns again for more feeding and mucking.

Each girl also spends time with her 4-H animal project — a pig or a goat that will be shown at the annual county fair. They play with the ani-

mals, exercise them, groom, weigh and measure them.

After dinner and cleanup, the girls enjoy some free time on the computer, watching television or calling family, if they have earned those privileges.

Jenkins said work is a big part of the boys and girls ranches' program.

The lessons on structure and time management, responsibility and accountability and a job well done are some of the powerful life lessons children learn while at the ranches, the administrators say.

# N.M. State ranks high in research

New Mexico State University ranked 11th in the nation in federally funded research in engineering in 1999, according to a National Science Foundation report.

The NSF surveyed 597 universities to compile information on research spending in science and engineering for the report, titled "Academic Research and Development Expenditures: Fiscal Year 1999." The 1999 listings are the most recent available.

New Mexico State's federally funded engineering research totaled \$38.2 million in 1999, according to the report. Of that, \$20.3 million was for aeronautical and astronautical engineering.

New Mexico State ranked 19th in engineering research expenditures funded by both federal and other sources, with research expenditures totaling \$47.6 million.

Of that amount, \$23 million was for aeronautical and astronautical engineering, according to the report.

"The rankings reflect the extraordinary productivity of our faculty," said New Mexico State College of Engineering Dean Jay Jordan.

The high level of the spending in aeronautical and astronautical engineering research shown in the report also reflects work at the university's Physical Science Laboratory. Donald L. Bix, director of the laboratory, said PSL spent \$10 million to \$12 million on research and development in 1999.

New Mexico State also ranked among the top universities nationwide in research spending in several other disciplines. According to the report, the university ranked:

- 35th in total expenditures for research and development in computer science, with expenditures of approximately \$5.1 million in 1999.

- 43rd in total expenditures for research in agricultural science, with expenditures of \$15.6 million in 1999.

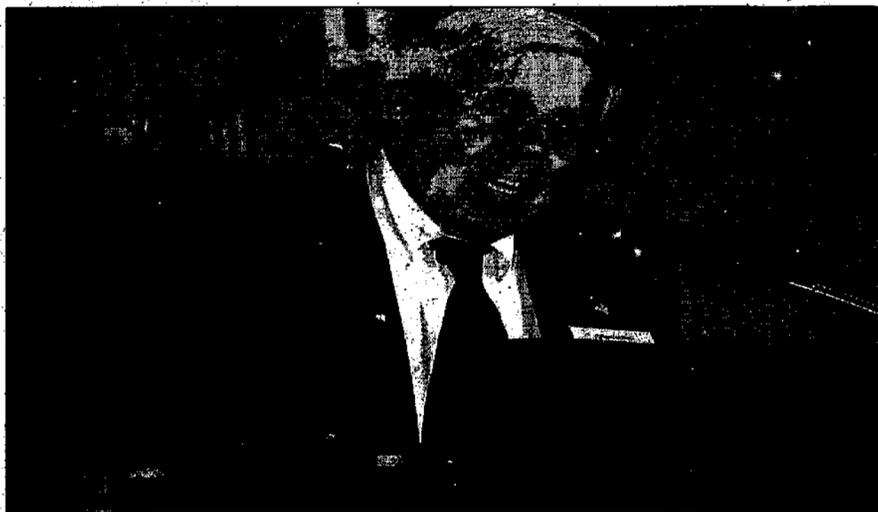
- 85th in federally funded research in environmental science, with expenditures of \$2.7 million, and 96 out of 100 in total research money spent on environmental science, with expenditures of \$3.4 million.

- 100th in federally funded expenditures for research in the physical sciences, a category that includes research in astronomy, chemistry and physics and other fields, with expenditures of \$3.8 million.

- 138th in total expenditures in the category titled life sciences, which includes research in agriculture, biology, medical and other fields, with expenditures of \$17.6 million. It ranked 149th in federally funded expenditures in this category, with expenditures of \$6.9 million.

To be considered for the report, a university must be a major research institute with total research spending of at least \$150,000, said M. Marge Machen, director of the NSF's Division of Science Resources Studies.

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Ralph Dunlap, retired Lincoln County Extension agent, was honored last week as a distinguished alumnus for New Mexico State University's College of Agriculture and Home Economics. Dunlap's 30-year NMSU career included foreign assignments in Tunisia, the Middle East and Uzbekistan. He founded the Lincoln County Fair and started a state fair in Palestine. Dunlap's wife, Rosalie, a regular Ruidoso News contributor, reports on the campus festivities in her column on page 1C of today's paper.

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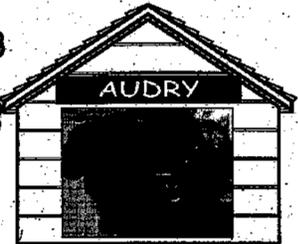
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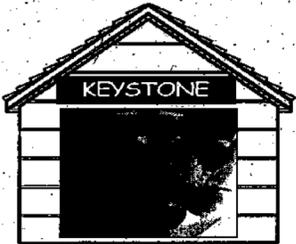


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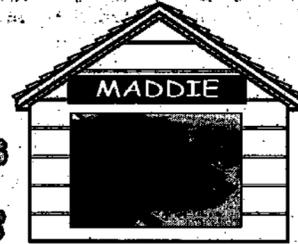


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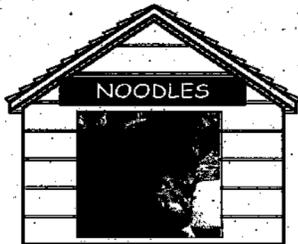


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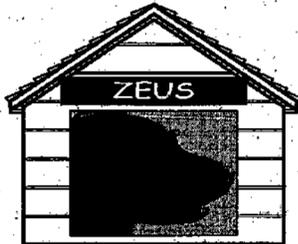


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1BD FURNISHED, fenced yard, water, garbage, sewer and cable paid. \$325/mo.+deposit. 257-9679 or 257-3924.

3BD/2BA MOBILE HOME for rent in Capitan. No pets. References required. (505)622-9232

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Proposals must be received in the office of the Superintendent by 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 13, 2001. PROPOSALS MUST BE SEALED AND MARKED "PROPOSAL FOR TRANSPORTATION SERVICES". Proposals will be opened and read aloud at the regular school board meeting Tuesday, November 13, 7:00 p.m. at the Central Administration Office, Board Room.

The board reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and waive all technicalities.

/s/Mike Gladden Superintendent Ruidoso Municipal Schools 378 2T(10)10, 19

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. SALVADOR PEREZ, and MARTA PEREZ, husband and wife, Defendants.

Cause No. CV-01-100 Division III

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT

TO: SALVADOR PEREZ and MARTA PEREZ, husband and wife

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-01-100, Division III.

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

Lot 34, Block 14, ALTO LAKES GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB SUBDIVISION, UNIT 5, 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, in Tube No. 3447.

You are notified that unless you enter your appearance or file pleadings herein on or before October 15, 2001, the Plaintiff will make

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application to the Court for a decree by default, and the 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 31 day of August, 2001.

District Court Clerk /s/Melissa Sama, Deputy

LEGAL NOTICE, STATE OF NEW MEXICO, COUNTY OF LINCOLN

Plaintiff(s), (1) Ann Ella Dullea, (2) Beneficial New Mexico, Inc.

vs. (3) Unknowns: All Unknown Occupants And/or Tenants Of The Subject Real Estate

(4) Unknowns: All Unknown Spouses Of Any Party Hereto And All Other Persons Living Or Dead Whose Names Are Unknown, Who Claim Any Interest In The Subject real Estate

Defendant(s), Notice of Special Master's Sale of Real Estate

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT PURSUANT TO COURT ORDER IN THE ABOVE CAPTIONED MATTER, THE SPECIAL MASTER INDICATED ABOVE WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA THE REAL ESTATE DESCRIBED BELOW.

THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF SAID SALE IS: Date: November 6, 2001

Place: Front steps of the Lincoln County Courthouse 300 Central Ave., Carrizozo, NM 88091

Time: 10:00 a.m. Common Description: 216 S. Parnell Avenue, Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346

Legal Description: Lot 4, Block 2, of Palo Verde Subdivision, Unit 4, Ruidoso Downs, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the Plat Thereof filed in the Office of the County Clerk and Ex-Officio Recorder of Lincoln County, New Mexico, on December 28, 1944.

The date of the Court Order is September 10, 2001, pursuant to which an Order of Sale was issued on September 10, 2001. The referenced Court Order entered judgment for Plaintiff for \$55,853.12 plus interest, costs of this

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Witness my hand and seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico this 10th day of September, 2001.

/s/Clydene Hull, District Court Clerk Lincoln County, New Mexico 3734 4T(9)28, (10)5, 12, 19

LEGAL NOTICE, STATE OF NEW MEXICO, COUNTY OF LINCOLN

12 JUDICIAL DISTRICT, Case No. CV00-282

Firstar Bank Milwaukee, N.A. as Trustee for the Registered Holder of Solomon Bros. Mortgage Securities VII, Inc. New Century Asset-Backed Floating Rate Certificates series 1999-NCB Paine Webber

Plaintiff(s), (1) Ann Ella Dullea, (2) Beneficial New Mexico, Inc.

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action, including all costs of the sale and costs to preserve the Real Estate, including as aformentioned property taxes. Additional interest of \$16.04 per day shall accrue to the date of said sale.

Special Master: Jeanie Clancy PO Box 2300 Ruidoso, NM 88356 (505)258-2202

KLEINSMITH & ASSOCIATES, P.C. Attorneys for Plaintiff /s/Phillip M. Kleinsmith, #6261 6035 Erin Park Dr., #203 Colorado Springs, CO 80918 1-800-842-8417

LEGAL NOTICE, VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO

Notice is hereby given that the Governing Body of the Village of Ruidoso, New Mexico will hold a public hearing in conjunction with the regularly scheduled meeting on October 30, 2001, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building of the Village of Ruidoso, New Mexico.

The public hearing is concerning the approval of a new Restaurant Beer and Wine Liquor License. The State of New Mexico Regulation and Licensing Department Alcohol and Gaming Division has given preliminary approval of this license.

The name of the applicant is Bonney's Southwestern Grill & Salsaria, L.L.C., whose address is 1101 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico, 88345, to be used at the business known as Bonney's Southwestern Grill & Salsaria, located at 1101 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico, 88345. Comments or inquiries should be directed to the Village Clerk, Tammie J. Maddox, 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, NM 88345, 258-4343 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO /s/Tammie J. Maddox, Clerk 3775 2T(10)19,26

LEGAL NOTICE, USDA-FOREST SERVICE Lincoln National Forest Lincoln County, New Mexico

SMOKEY BEAR RANGER DISTRICT 2001 RANGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

On October 12, 2001, Smokey Bear District Ranger Gerald M. Hawkes made a decision to implement the following range improvement projects on various grazing allotments on the Smokey Bear Ranger District, Lincoln National Forest in Lincoln County, New Mexico:

Dillard Vegetation Management Project: This project will involve the manipulation of small pinon and juniper trees and saplings by uprooting them with a front end loader or small dozer. The purpose of this

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project is to enhance habitat and improve watershed conditions. Location: Haskins Allotment T9S, R12E, Sec(s) 30, 31, 32 & 33.

Kyle Harrison Vegetation Management Project: This project will involve the manipulation of small pinon and juniper trees and saplings by uprooting them with a front end loader or small dozer. The purpose of this project is to enhance habitat and improve watershed conditions. Location: Wilson Allotment T5S, R12E, Sec(s) 1 & 12 and T5S, R13E Sec 6.

Chupadero Vegetation Management Project: This project will involve the manipulation of small pinon and juniper trees and saplings by uprooting them with a front end loader or small dozer. The purpose of this project is to enhance habitat and improve watershed conditions. Location: Wilson Allotment T5S, R12E, Sec(s) 1 & 12 and T5S, R13E Sec 6.

Skinner Fence Reclamation: This project is to control movement of cattle and utilization of forage. Location: Skinner Allotment T9S, R13E, Sec(s) 12 & 13.

The associated Decision Memo is available upon request from the Lincoln National Forest, 1101 New York Avenue, Alamogordo, NM 88310, and Smokey Bear Ranger District, 601 Mechem Dr., Ruidoso, NM 88345.

This decision is not subject to appeal pursuant to Forest Service regulations of 36 CFR Part 3215.8(a)(4). This decision may be implemented immediately after publication.

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LEGAL NOTICE, The Planning and Zoning Commission of the Village of Ruidoso will hold a regular meeting on November 6, 2001 at Village Hall, 313 Cree Meadows Drive. The meeting will begin at 2:00 P.M. The purpose of the meeting will be to consider Case # PV01-024 a Variance request for the following described property:

Lot 23, Block 4, 1st Plat Wingfield Homestead Sd. Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico

By order of the PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION. /s/Tim Vega Planning Department 3777 1T(10)19

LEGAL NOTICE, NOTICE TO PUBLIC

Notice is hereby given that the Planning and Zoning Committee of the Town of Carrizozo will hold a Special Meeting on Monday, October 22, 2001 at 6:00PM, City Hall, Carrizozo, New Mexico.

Agenda will be posted in accordance with Resolution No. 2001-05, unless otherwise specified. The agenda shall be available to the public at least twenty-four hours before any regular meeting.

If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing or meeting, please contact Leann Welbrecht or Margaret LaBelle at (505)648-2371, City Hall, Carrizozo, New Mexico at least one week prior to the meeting or as soon as possible.

Leann Welbrecht, CMC Town Clerk/Treasurer Town of Carrizozo 3778 1T(10)19

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LEGAL NOTICE, TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, STATE OF NEW MEXICO, COUNTY OF LINCOLN

No. CV-01-251 Div. III

JOSEPH MATTHEW BROWN and ELIZABETH JANE BROWN, as CO-TRUSTEES OF THE BROWN FAMILY TRUST, Plaintiffs,

vs. GROUP I: KELTON B. CLARK and MABEL L. CLARK, husband and wife, if living; and ROBERT E. SYMPSON and ELIZABETH SYMPSON, husband and wife, if living;

GROUP II: THE ESTATES OF KELTON B. CLARK and MABEL L. CLARK, if deceased, and their UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES and ASSIGNS; and THE ESTATES OF ROBERT E. SYMPSON and ELIZABETH SYMPSON, if deceased, and their UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES and ASSIGNS;

GROUP III: JOHN DOES 1 THROUGH 100, and their UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES and ASSIGNS;

GROUP IV: ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS OF INTEREST IN THE PREMISES ADVERSE TO PLAINTIFFS.

Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT TO QUIET TITLE

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO: TO EACH AND EVERY DEFENDANT NAMED IN THE CAPTION OF THIS CAUSE:

Please take notice that the Plaintiffs have filed a Complaint to Quiet Title in the above styled and numbered cause of action in which you are named as Defendants.

The general object of the suit is a Complaint to quiet Plaintiffs' fee simple title in the following described real property located in Lincoln County, New Mexico:

Wide Awake Mill Site, Lot No. 724-B, containing five (5) acres of land, more or less, in the Nogal Mining District, Lincoln County, New Mexico, now known as Lots 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of Elena Del Rae 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, New Mexico, August 4, 1970, in Tube No. 376.

You are notified that unless you file an answer or responsive pleading to the Complaint, on or before November 29, 2001, Plaintiffs will apply to the Court for the relief sought in the Complaint and Judgment will be entered against you by default.

The Plaintiffs' attorney is Lee Griffin, Legal Services Inc., P.C., 1056 Mechem Drive, Suite 102, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345.

Witness my hand and the seal of this Court on October 16, 2001.

/s/Jan Perry Clerk Of The District Court By: /s/Melissa Sama Deputy Clerk

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**LEGAL NOTICE**

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
COUNTY OF LINCOLN  
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

No. CV-01-189

WILLIAM B. DUFF and NORMA JEAN DUFF,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

JONI O'NEAL POINDEXTER, a/k/a JONI O'NEAL, et al.,

Defendants,

**SECOND AMENDED SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF SUIT PENDING**

STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

JONI O'NEAL POINDEXTER, a/k/a JONI O'NEAL, IF LIVING, IF DECEASED, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF JONI O'NEAL POINDEXTER; ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS OF JOHN T. O'NEAL, JR., AND JEAN O'NEAL WILKINS; and ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS OF INTEREST IN THE PREMISES ADVERSE TO PLAINTIFFS.

GREETINGS:

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You and each of you are hereby notified that William B. Duff and Norma Jean Duff, as plaintiffs, have filed an action in the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, Civil Docket No. CV-01-189, wherein you are named or designated as defendants. The general object of said action is to quiet the plaintiffs' title to the real property described in the Complaint in said cause which property is situated in Lincoln County, New Mexico, and described as Lot 8 of Block 10 of Sun Valley Subdivision.

You and each of you are further notified that unless you enter your appearance in said cause on or before the 12th day of December, 2001, judgment will be rendered against you and each of you by default, and the relief prayed for in the Complaint will be granted.

The plaintiff's attorneys are Bassett & Copley, LLP, whose Post Office address is P.O. Box 2448, Roswell, NM 88202-2448.

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

Jan Perry  
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/s/ Elizabeth Yaast  
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# HOME & FAMILY

## Age is no issue for a man who's found a GOOD LIFE in Sun Valley

BY SANDY SUGGITT  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Glen Hinkle turned 95 one day last week, with clear eyes and a youthful smile. He first saw Sun Valley in the 1940s, and it was a far cry from his Oklahoma birthplace.

The Hinkle family first came through Ruidoso when it was a one-road town, on trips to Colorado.

"Ruidoso didn't have any paved streets back then; it was just mud," he said. "I had a son who'd come with us and we'd go on to Colorado to spend a few days fishing there. We came from Kermit (Texas) and would come through El Paso, just sail right through... We had a little Avion travel trailer."

Sun Valley, a subdivision tucked off Highway 48 near Alto, was a single dirt road then, too. In 1964 Hinkle and his wife, Viola, bought the lot they'd been camping on for years, and in 1970, after he retired, they started to build the house Hinkle still lives in.

"We paid \$1,800 for the lot. The fellow that sold it said 'I didn't know this lot was level. I might could have charged you more,'" he said, chuckling.

Hinkle was raised on a farm in Elk City, Okla. He recalls plowing with horses and growing just about everything the family ate except sugar. The one thing the family didn't grow much of was money.

"If we made \$200 a year, that was good. Course we didn't have to buy too much," he said. "It was a pretty good life, I loved the farm: Get up before daylight to get the horses in and try to get to work by a little after sunup."

When his brother married and his sister married and left the farm, Hinkle took on most of the chores — running the binder, cutting wheat, plowing and planting — with a little help from his father. The boy was 15 or 16 at the time.

In 1926, he married Viola, who also lived in Elk City, and they stayed on the farm for about a year, earning 39-cents an hour working for his parents. They rented a nearby farm, but when they found they couldn't make any money on it, they decided they had to get out of the area.

They wound up in Pampa, Texas, in 1930, where Hinkle got a job with the old Prairie Oil Company, which later became Sinclair and then Atlantic Richfield and Arco. He started out as a roustabout and then worked the derricks, and loved it. When they first moved to Pampa, they rented a cabin for \$10 a month. Later Sinclair let them build a "little shack" and provided them with gas and water, but they paid their own electricity, which came to about \$5 a month.

In 1940, he was transferred to Kermit, Texas. "My wife wanted to move every 10 years," Hinkle said, chuckling. "After about 10 years, she'd get on the phone and sell the place and we'd get moving, or build another house. I made a little money on that. Once I had a house moved out



Glen Hinkle enjoys music, and often plays a guitar he has owned for 40 years.

of Wink. Back then, gasoline was 13, 14 cents a gallon, and I moved a four-room house. We stayed there probably 10 years, sold that place for \$3,400 and it cost us \$400."

Hinkle and his brother and their families often vacationed in Colorado, stopping for a few days around Ruidoso on the way. "We'd stop and have something to eat," he said. "Had one main restaurant in town out on Sudderth, just above Brunell's. It had sawdust on the floor and was the only eatin' place in town. Back then, we'd eat anything."

"We came up through here because we loved the trees and the climate. It was just what we wanted. You know, down in Kermit, it got pretty hot."

After building four or five houses in Kermit and taking many vacations in his travel trailer in Sun Valley, Hinkle retired from Arco in 1969 at age 62. The next year, he moved to Sun Valley and began his last house-building project.

How has Sun Valley changed since then?

"It's grown a lot," Hinkle said. "There wasn't much of anything out this way or on Highway 48 back then. The little of post office, their building was where the Shell (gas) station is going in. It was a little of shack that a lady run, Aileen Lindamood, I believe her name was. That's where I got my mail."

Hinkle soon had a sort of "job" operating the water system in Sun Valley. The developer had taken care of it until then, but when the Hinkles moved in, he asked if Hinkle wanted to take charge of it. He did, for about 16 years.

"Back then, it had one well pumping 24 hours a day and that was three gallons a minute. I put some timers on, and we finally got two, three more wells drilled. Now we've got six wells and they're thinking about drilling more."

Hinkle earned about \$10 a month working the water system — and furnished his own gas and car.

"I didn't make any money on it," he said. "But I had to do it to get things going. We all had to pitch in and help repair the water system."

He and Viola continued to "run around" a lot in their trailer, fishing in Colorado and visiting family in Kansas City, Kansas, and Arkansas.

Once they decided to see Canada and Alaska. "That was a mistake. For one thing, we didn't take enough money. By the time we got into Oregon, we're getting pretty tired and decide we'd better turn around and go back. It was only gravel roads then, a little rough." They rested up in Fort Morgan, Colo., where Viola had a sister, and then returned to Sun Valley.

Then in 1980, Viola got restless again; after all, they'd been there 10 years. She wanted to

look at living in Alamogordo, but by then Hinkle wasn't much interested in moving, because, he said, "I loved it here."

The Hinkles had a garden out front and raised and canned green beans. If they didn't have 100 cans in the cellar, they didn't think they had enough to get through the winter. They canned peaches and apricots they bought in LaLuz, and dried apples in a dryer, and Hinkle himself became an expert pie-maker, with cherries and apricots. He still makes pies — and planned to bake himself a birthday cake. (Viola died in 1995; they had been married 69 years.)

One of the things Hinkle has a local reputation for is beekeeping, which he took up in Kermit and continued in Sun Valley, until he got tired of rebuilding everything when neighborhood bears would destroy the hives in search of honey.

"I'd order a few hives from bee companies, then I would catch hives. People had heard I was a beekeeper, and they'd call me to get the bees out of a tree or a barn or a house. When we moved up here, I had about seven hives. I had to get rid of them on account of my age. I let friends have them in Ruidoso Downs. I sure do miss them. I would go down and watch them for hours. It's interesting to see them coming in with pollen on their legs — like they're wearing pantaloons."

Hinkle attributes his good health and longevity to eating honey three times a day — which he still does, as well as the proverbial apple a day — and working hard all his life.

"I ate a lot of honey. I'd eat honey three times a day, like I do now. Apples and honey and keeping busy. I guess that's a formula for living."

He still works in the yard, cooks his own meals (and bakes pies and cakes), does the housework and the laundry, and "keeping the house in shape keeps me pretty busy," he said.

But the main thing he enjoys these days is picking a guitar or playing a mandolin to gospel music on tapes.

"I play nearly every day," he said. "That's part of my living."

He's had the guitar he plays for 40 years, but didn't "fool with it much" until he moved to Sun Valley. Most of his kin folks were musically inclined, too.

"I used to pick songs out on it; anymore, I just second gospel songs I like to play."

Hinkle tapes songs off the radio or television and his granddaughter in Kerrville, Texas, sends him gospel music he can second for in the key of G and C.

"I like my music," Hinkle said. "I tried making a tape and made one with me singin' and pickin'. A lady sent me a notice that 'You're a whole lot like George Buras,' and that stopped my singin'."

## looking back

LINCOLN COUNTY SCRAPBOOK

OCT. 19, 1951

### Paper sold to Texas men

The Ruidoso News was sold this week by Lloyd and Ida Bloodworth to Ben Vaughn of Plainview, Texas, and Vic Lamb of Abernathy, Texas. ...

Vaughn and Lamb have been in Ruidoso several times in the past few weeks and final arrangements were completed for the sale Wednesday.

Lamb has published a number of weekly papers in West Texas, and Vaughn has given his time to the shop department.

OCT. 20, 1961

### Fallout shelter almost completed

Work is about completed on a fallout shelter which has been under construction at the home of Mrs. Della Hale.

Mrs. Hale is inviting everyone to come by and inspect the shelter, and she will answer any questions concerning the shelter or relating to fallout.

She attended one of three schools of instruction which were conducted Civil Defense in March of this year in Alameda, Calif., and is planning to return in November for more instruction.

The shelter will accommodate 15 people, allowing 8 square feet per person.

OCT. 22, 1971

### Early morning theft at Gambles

Burglars early Tuesday morning reportedly got off with around \$8,000 in merchandise from Gambles Store in Ruidoso in what was one of the largest valued thefts for the Ruidoso area and a first during the 11 years Gambles has been in Ruidoso.

The burglary was reported to police by Gambles employee Roger Marshall at 8:22 a.m. when he opened the store.

Ruidoso Chief of Police O. S. Montes stated that his entire department is working around the clock in an effort to solve the crime.

OCT. 22, 1981

### Life as a new Congressman's wife

Mary Skeen, wife of Congressman Joe Skeen, Tuesday told a gathering of Republican women at a luncheon meeting in Carrizozo, that she puts up with the pace of living in Washington, D.C., as long as she can stand it — then she "has to come back home to New Mexico."

One of the first adjustments expected of the wife of a freshman member of the 97th Congress, Mary said, is "not to make plans."

OCT. 24, 1991

### Moriarty finally gets revenge

The Ruidoso Middle School Braves suffered their first loss of the season Oct. 19 to the Moriarty Middle School Colts, 0-6.

"Our offense played better the first time we played Moriarty and when game wins are split between two teams, you really want to play a third game," said Coach Borde Williams.

He said Dennis Randolph played at quarterback real well and Rex Comanche, Jackie Roe and Justin Weber did a good job of running the football.

## New Mexico State honors Lincoln's Ralph Dunlap



LINCOLN — Last weekend was a busy one for the Ralph Dunlap family, since he was the recipient of the Distinguished Alumni Award presented by the College of Agriculture and Home Economics at New Mexico State University, Las Cruces.

He for many years was Lincoln County's extension agent.

The activities began with a breakfast for all the honorees, guests and donors. In the afternoon, a reception was held at the Livestock Pavilion. Originally scheduled for the lawn of the Skeen Building, it was moved because of wind and dust.

The honorees received a medal, a Peter Hurd print of the "Red Pickup" and an

Aggie sweat shirt.

In the evening, a social hour for the alumni was held at the Best Western Mesilla Inn, along with a dance for the younger generation.

Saturday morning, an eye-opener breakfast was held at the Corbett Center with more recognition and recipients of another plaque.

Saturday night, everyone enjoyed the football game with Idaho Vandals, which the Aggies won at the last second.

During halftime, the honorees were introduced to the crowd and then they joined President and Mrs. Jay Gogus in the President's box.

Among the guests of the Dunlap family were their son, Wayne Dunlap, North Easton, Mass.; daughter and husband, Lois and David Coleman, Portland, Texas; grandson, Scott Coleman, Dallas, Texas; granddaughter Patricia Coleman and friend Jerry, Mesa, Ariz.; Rosalie Dunlap's brother Larry Chaulk, Boonesville, Calif.; Pete Gnatkowski, Ancho; John Cooper, Tinnie; Carol Cooper Gutierrez, Mayhill; Jon and Sharon Amastae, El Paso; John and Evelyn Terpening, Artesia; Catherine Kittleson, Virginia; Mary Ellen and Franklin McKay, Dee and Lucy Galt, Las Cruces and many extension associates and friends.

He also received a letter from Daniel Coleman, his grandson, who was not able to attend, and an e-mail of congratulations from his friends in Uzbekistan.

Unable to attend was his brother Kenneth and wife. Kenneth had suffered a heart attack the previous week.

Condolences to the family of Elmer Allen of Springerville, Ariz., a former New Mexico county extension agent.

Condolences also to Lois Jasper Lane and her family.

Her husband died recently in Silver City. She was the home extension agent in Lincoln County during the 1960s.

OCT 19 2001

# Texas A&M studies bioterrorism threat to agriculture

The university's board of regents is considering a proposal that would establish a National Center for Countermeasures Against Agricultural Bioterrorism at the school.

**COLLEGE STATION, Texas** - Researchers at the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station say prevention, detection and clean up methods for bioterrorism at the farm level must be found now to avoid human harm and economic devastation of the food and fiber supply.

Bioterrorism, the deliberate release of toxins or infectious organisms, has been studied by national experts for years. The threat to the U.S. food supply and its underlying agricultural industry has more recently been recognized, heightened by

the attacks on Sept. 11. "The efforts in bioterrorism research are meant both to prevent attack and to offer rapid response to minimize consequences in case of terrorist action," said Neville Clarke, director of Texas A&M University's Center for Natural Resource Information Technology.

A proposal to establish a National Center for Countermeasures Against Agricultural Bioterrorism is being prepared at Texas A&M for consideration by the administration and Board of Regents.

The proposal includes surveillance networking systems, satellite imaging technology, field and laboratory diagnostic capabilities using biotechnology, and an information system that could predict and track the spread following an attack. Having such a facility at

Texas A&M makes sense because of its strong history in agriculture and engineering research, its information delivery capabilities with Texas Cooperative Extension agents located in every county, and the state's long Mexican border which provides enormous potential for terrorist crossings, according to Clarke.

He said the nation must not only consider immediate actions that need to be taken, but should simultaneously adapt existing technology for the short run and develop new knowledge and technology for future protection.

"It is critically important that all three approaches be planned and implemented con-

currently," Clarke said. John Mullet, Institute for Plant Genomics and Biotechnology director and a cooperator in the proposal with Clarke and Texas A&M researchers Garry Adams and Jim Wild, agreed.

"The whole reason for studying bioterrorism is for preserving the healthfulness of our country," said Mullet. "The safety of our food supply is one of the most fundamental jobs in agriculture."

Biological weapons have been feared for decades. But current events have put the issue in the forefront of U.S. policy makers and the health services community. The threat to agriculture, especially in its

production and processing phases, is a relatively new consideration, Clarke said, though the Pentagon issued a report last January noting that the nation's farms and ranches are highly vulnerable.

He said Texas A&M has been "heavily involved in counter-terrorism research" for at least 20 years. He cited, for example, Wild's mid-1980s development of an enzyme to inactivate chemical warfare agents.

But, he said, with changing

technology as well as individuals and groups likely to attack, researchers have much work to do.

"We are concerned not with just the rogue nations, but with any individual who may be disgruntled and wish to carry out an act of bioterrorism," Clarke said.

And he noted that such research also would be useful in the event of an accidental outbreak of some pestilence that threatens the food and fiber supply.

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Service times: Saturday 7 p.m. Praise &amp; Worship; Sunday - 8:15 a.m. - Praise &amp; Worship, 9:45 a.m. Sunday School all ages, 11 a.m. Traditional Worship, 3:30 p.m. Youth Power Hour, 6:30 p.m. Prayer Service Wednesday - 6:30 p.m. Discipleship classes for all ages.</p> <p><b>First Baptist Church</b> Ruidoso Downs. Randy Widener, Pastor. Sunday: Worship hour 11 a.m.; Sunday school 9:30 a.m.; Evening worship: 6 p.m. Wednesday: Prayer meeting 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>First Baptist Church</b> Thelma. Bill Jones, Pastor. Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.; Sunday worship: 11 a.m.</p> <p><b>Iglesia Bautista Vida Eterna</b> 420 Mechem Drive, (Sunshine Classroom) Ramon Robledo, Pastor. Culto de Predicacion 3 p.m.</p> <p><b>Mescalero Baptist Mission</b> Mescalero. Sunday: Sunday school 10 a.m.; Worship 11 a.m., 7:15 p.m.; Training union 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>Wednesday services 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>Ruidoso Baptist Church</b> 126 Church Drive, Palmer Gateway. Wayne Joyce, Pastor. Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.; Sunday worship: 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible study: 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>BAHAI FAITH</b> Baha'i Faith Meeting in members' homes. 257-2987 or 336-7739</p> <p><b>CATHOLIC</b> St. Eleanor Catholic Church Ruidoso, 257-2330. Reverend Al Galvan. Sacrament of Penance: Sat. 5:00 p.m. or by appointment; Sat. Mass: 6 p.m. (Bilingual); Sun. Mass: 10 a.m. (English), 11:30 a.m. (English); Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat. 5 to 5:30 p.m.; Sunday Mass, St. Jude Thaddeus, San Patricio: 8 a.m.</p> <p><b>St. Theresa Catholic Church</b> Corona. Sunday Mass: 6 p.m.</p> <p><b>St. Joseph Apache Mission</b> Mescalero. Father Paul Botschager. Sunday Mass: 10:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>Our Lady of Guadalupe</b> Bent. Father Paul Botschager. Saturday Mass: 6 p.m.; Sunday Mass: 8 a.m.</p> <p><b>CHRISTIAN</b> Crosspoint Christian Fellowship A Christ Centered Church Ruidoso Senior Center, 701 Sudderth Drive, 258-1492. Steve Kreiss, Pastor. Pre-service prayer 9 a.m.; Sunday worship service 10 a.m.; Children's Church 10 a.m. Small group meetings, including youth group, at various times and locations.</p> <p><b>First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)</b> Hull and Gavilan Canyon Road. Rev. James M. Smith, Pastor. Sunday School, K-12/Adult: 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m.;</p>	<p>Chanoc! Choir: Wednesday 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>CHURCH OF CHRIST</b> Gateway Church of Christ 415 Sudderth, Ruidoso, 257-4381. Jay Willmon, Minister. Sunday Bible study: 9:30 a.m.; Sunday worship: 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible study: 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST LDS</b> Church of Jesus Christ LDS Ruidoso Branch, North on Hwy. 48, between Ruidoso and Capitan, Joe Magill, 336-4359. Sunday schedule: Sacrament starts at 10 a.m.; Sunday School; Priesthood and Relief Society.</p> <p><b>Church of Jesus Christ LDS</b> Mescalero Branch, 671-4630. Wray Schildknecht, President, 671-9504. Sunday: Sacrament meeting 10 a.m.; Sunday School and Primary 11:20 a.m.; Priesthood Relief Soc. &amp; Young Women, 12:10 a.m.</p> <p><b>EPISCOPAL</b> Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount 121 Mescalero Trail, Ruidoso. Father John W. Penn, Rector. Sunday Eucharist: 8 &amp; 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday: Daughters of King; noon; Eucharist &amp; healing: 5:30 p.m.; Choir practice: 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>Episcopal Chapel of San Juan</b> Lincoln. Sunday: Holy Eucharist 10:30 a.m.</p> <p><b>St. Anne's Episcopal Church</b> Ruidoso. Sunday: Holy Eucharist 9 a.m.</p> <p><b>FULL GOSPEL</b> Mission Foundation of Living Water San Patricio. Sunday School: 10 a.m.; Evening service: 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Tuesday and Friday.</p> <p><b>JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES</b> Ruidoso - Kingdom Hall 106 Alpine Village Road, 258-3659, 257-3871. Sundays: Public Talk 1:30 p.m.; Watchtower, 2:20 p.m. Monday: Bible Study 7:30 p.m. Thursday:</p>	<p>Ministry School 7:00 p.m.; Service Meeting 8:20 p.m.</p> <p><b>Congregacion Hispana</b> de los Testigos de Jehova 106 Alpine Village Road, 258-3659, 336-7076. Dom: Reunion Publica 10:00 a.m.; Estudio de la Alayala 10:50 a.m. Mart: Escuela de Ministerio Teocratico 7 p.m.; Reunion de servicio 7:50 p.m.; Juev: Estudio de libro 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>LUTHERAN MO. Synod</b> Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church 1120 Hull Road, 258-4191, 257-5256. Kevin L. Krohn, Pastor. Sunday: Worship 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m.; Sunday School &amp; Adult Bible Class 9:30 a.m. Third Sunday Evening Bible Study, 5:30 p.m., call for location.</p> <p><b>METHODIST</b> Community United Methodist Church Junction Road, behind "The Coffee House". Bob Sawyer, Pastor. Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.; Sunday worship: 8:30 a.m., 10:25 a.m.</p> <p><b>PENTECOSTAL</b> The Apostles of Lincoln County Cornerstone Square, 613 Sudderth, 354-4906 or 430-6654. Pastor: Art Dunn. Saturday evening worship 6 p.m.</p> <p><b>MAZARENNE</b> Angus Church of the Nazarene Angus, 12 miles north of Ruidoso on Hwy. 48, 336-8032. Charles Hall, Pastor. Sat. Alternative Worship, 6:30 pm; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m.; Sunday Evening Worship, 6 p.m.; Tuesday Prayer Meeting, 7 p.m.; Wednesday Youth Worship, 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>PRESBYTERIAN</b> First Presbyterian Church 101 Sutton Drive (Nob Hill), Ruidoso, 257-2220. Cathy E. Cavada, Pastor. Sunday: Church school 9:45 a.m.; worship 8:30 and 11 a.m. Pollack follow-</p>	<p>ship after worship the third Sunday of every month. Mountain Ministry Parish Community United Presbyterian Church Ancho, Reverend Scott King. Sunday worship: 9 a.m.; Wednesday: mid-week bible study 7 p.m. Corona Presbyterian Church Reverend Scott King, Sunday: Church School, 10 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m. Nogal Presbyterian Church Reverend Bill Sebring, Adult Sunday School: 10 a.m.; worship 11 a.m.</p> <p><b>REFORMED CHURCH</b> Mescalero Reformed Mescalero, Bob Schul, Pastor. Sunday: Church school 9:30 a.m.; worship 10:30 a.m. Men's junior high youth 6:30 pm. Wed. high school meeting 7 p.m. Thurs. Kids Club (grades 1-3) 3:30.</p> <p><b>SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST</b> Ruidoso Seventh Day Adventist 207 Parkway, Agave Fria, Ruidoso Downs, 378-4161. Pastor Earl Robertson 855-439-0769. Assoc. Pastor William Morrow 622-1205. Saturday Sabbath school 9:30 a.m.; Church service: 11 a.m. Wednesday: Prayer meeting 7 p.m.</p> <p><b>UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH</b> Sacramento Mountains Unitarian Universalist Church, meeting in members' homes. 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Sunday: Children's ministries concurrent with Sunday Services 9:30 a.m.; worship 8 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.; Thursday: services 7 p.m. Cornerstone Church Cornerstone Square, 613 Sudderth Drive, 257-9265. B.A. Thurman, Pastor. Sunday services: Adult and children's Church, 10:30 a.m.; Bible Study Adult and Youth, Wednesday: 7 p.m. Cowboy Church Noon Sundays at the Glenora Rural Events Center. Everyone welcome. Prayers: Rustin Reed of Amarillo. Call 378-4840 for info. Grace Harvest Church Gavilan Canyon Road, 336-4213. Sunday: morning prayer 8:30 am; Sunday school 9 a.m.; service 10 am. Living Word Church 441 Mechem, 257-3470. Pastors: Terry and Suzanne Lewis. Sunday: Renewal services Sunday 10:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. Wednesday: Intercessory prayer noon; mid-week services 7 p.m. Peace Chapel International (IULC) Aho North, 356-7075. Jeanette Price, Pastor. Morning chapel: 6:30 a.m. (Sept. - June); Sunday Service: 11 a.m.</p>
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# BUSINESS

## BUSINESS BRIEFS

### Health foundation proposed for state

A series of town hall meetings regarding protection and preservation of the charitable assets resulting from the sale of New Mexico Blue Cross/Blue Shield is being conducted by Eric Serna, state superintendent of insurance, and Attorney General Patricia Madrid.

One was in Roswell Wednesday; the next will be in Albuquerque Oct. 29 at 3 p.m. at the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center, 2401 12th Street NW.

The goal is to create a new charitable health foundation to receive the assets of the insurance company sale — some \$15 million.

### New executive for business group

DENVER — The Western Regional Council (WRC), a CEO-led business advocacy group, this week named Jim Sims, a former White House and Congressional aide, to lead the organization.

Sims replaces Kit Kimball, who recently was selected by U. S. Interior Secretary Gail Norton as Director of External and Intergovernmental Affairs for

the Department.

WRC is a Western business trade organization with several member companies with New Mexico ties, including MDU Resources Group Inc. and Phelps Dodge Corp.

Sims, 40, will work out of the WRC's national office in Denver as its executive director.

The Western Regional Council is a coalition of Western business interests organized in 1977.

### Americans will drive

Two-thirds of Americans said they would take a weekend trip if they knew it would help the economy and save jobs, a new survey released this week by AAA shows.

Sixty-seven percent of survey respondents said they would travel to out-of-town destinations in the next few months, visit nearby attractions and stay overnight in a hotel to help spark an economic recovery.

More than half of those indicating they would take a trip also said they would spend \$300 or more on a weekend getaway, while another 26 percent said they would spend between \$200 and \$300.

That's good news for the travel industry, said Louisa Solis, AAA New Mexico Group general manager.

### A view of the market

## Economic stimulus too great?

BY SUNG WON SOHN  
CHIEF ECONOMIST, WELLS FARGO

The odds of a strong economic rebound in 2002 continue to increase. The largest economic stimulus package since WWII sets the stage for robust economic growth in the future with fiscal stimulus amounting to about 2 percent of the GDP combined with a 4 percentage point drop in the federal funds rate so far this year.

Even before the terrorist attacks, an expansionary monetary policy had begun to bear fruit. Consumer spending was keeping the economic ship afloat. Housing and mortgage markets were humming. And, businesses raised record sums in the corporate bond market, reducing bankruptcies.

However, the near-term economic outlook remains murky. All the economic stimuli won't be very effective unless confidence returns. The markets have perceived the war on terrorism as going well, to date.

With the introduction of ground troops into Afghanistan, the risk of casualties increases significantly.

Additional terrorist attacks here and abroad cannot be ruled out. If the war involves Iraq, oil supplies could be disrupted.

The danger exists that the economy could receive too much stimulus. If the economy is indeed in a recession, this has been a mild one. The jobless rate is still below 5 percent compared to about 11 percent in 1982; economic growth is dipping from a lofty plateau.

The fiscal stimulus (equal to more than 2 percent of the GDP) could boost economic growth by as much as 5 percentage points once the multiplier effect is taken into consideration. In combination with earlier cuts in the interest rate, economic growth could temporarily punch through the potential growth rate, rekindling inflationary pressures. This contingency has pushed up bond yields. Also, the futures market for the federal funds has begun to factor in tighter monetary policy in late 2002.

### Bonds: Remain defensive

The credit spreads over Treasuries have dropped, but a defensive portfolio emphasizing Treasuries, Agencies and high quality munis is still a good strategy until the economic outlook improves. The credit risk for Corporates and the convexity risk for mortgages remain substantial. In addition, the Federal Reserve will likely cut the interest rate again reducing Treasury bond yields.

The battered Corporate bonds and mortgage-backed securities represent an excellent value when the economy improves and the geopolitical risk diminishes. Once the flight-to-quality becomes less important, investors will chase higher yields flocking to Corporates and Mortgage-backed securities.

### Stocks: Time to Buy

The war on terrorism has gone well so far. Already, a lot of bad news on earnings has been discounted and investors are looking into 2002. S&P 500 operating earnings will fall 35 to 40 percent this year, including an 80 percent drop in tech profits, before rebounding 25 to 30 percent in 2002. Recently, cyclical stocks, including retailing and technology, have fared better than defensive stocks such as food, beverage, and health care.

But, it is too soon to celebrate. There are too many economic and geopolitical uncertainties to worry about. Layoffs could mushroom and spread.

Starting next week, third quarter earnings reports could contain worse-than-expected results. The Argentine economic crisis could rattle the international financial markets; Argentine debts account for about 25 percent of all the emerging market debt traded.

History tells us that a sustained rally needs a string of good economic news. The war on terrorism could experience some setbacks, both here and abroad, throwing a monkey wrench into the market.

## signed UP

Lawrence Brothers food market in the Sierra Mall on Mecham Drive got permanent signage this week, and manager Ray Stewart was glad to see it. He's been selling groceries in Ruidoso for some 25 years — for Safeway, Furr's and now Lawrence Brothers. Signs by Smith did the installation.



KEITH GREEN/STAFF

## Lincoln County REDTT project a winner

Honors handed Betty McCreight, David and Jinny Vigil at annual regional conference

CLOUDCROFT — Betty McCreight, Lincoln County's Extension Service director, was recognized as Extension Service Director of the Year during a rural tourism conference here last week.

It was a top award at the Rural Economic Development Through Tourism, or REDTT, regional conference for 2001 held Oct. 8-9.

The top prize for a trade show display also was awarded to the REDTT Lincoln County Tourism Council. Along with those awards, David and Jinny Vigil, owners of the Ellis Store Country Inn in Lincoln, were recognized with REDTT's Lifetime Achievement award for their contributions to rural tourism and to REDTT since the project began nearly 10 years ago.

"Betty McCreight has done an outstanding job of leading the Lincoln County Tourism Council and assisting with rural tourism development. And, there are no words to express REDTT's gratitude for the contributions of David and Jinny Vigil," Mike Cook, REDTT project director, said. "REDTT has been successful in helping tourism development in Lincoln County because of the leadership and commitment of the Vigils and others who serve on the council."

He said these include Kathleen Phillips, the Lincoln County Extension Service program aide, who was recognized a year ago at the rural tourism conference as REDTT's "Sparkplug of the Year."

Cook also said he was grateful to the

artists in Lincoln County who donated door prizes for the conference, among them Richard Rumpf and Nancie Ferguson of Nogal. They donated their own artwork and also collected more than a dozen other works from artists in Lincoln, DeBaca and Otero counties, he said. They were to conference attendees.

About 165 volunteers and professionals from REDTT's 13-county service area attended the conference at The Lodge.

REDTT is a program of the New Mexico State University Cooperative Extension Service, based in Las Cruces. It provides education, training and technical assistance to Chaves, Cibola, DeBaca, Doña Ana, Eddy, Guadalupe, Lea, Lincoln, Luna, Otero, Sandoval, Sierra and Socorro counties.

## Some restaurants have closed their doors in the village

BY KEITH GREEN  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A number of Ruidoso restaurants have closed their doors — permanently or temporarily — in recent days, but the reasons seem to be as varied as the restaurants.

Notable among them is the long-established InnCredible. Others include Spanky's, Mountain Oasis and Smoke Pit BBQ. Some, like the venerable Deck House, are in a seasonal cut-back.

Joan Zagone, Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce executive director, agrees with Pat Martin, who heads the restaurant group within the Ruidoso Business Council, that the pri-

mary cause for restaurants closing their doors is the lack of a reliable workforce.

Martin, whose Lincoln County Grill in Midtown is going strong, says the problem is staffing: "For a long time, we had to hire people from Alamogordo. We pay well, but it's still a problem. Workers can't afford to live in Ruidoso." She said she understood Clare Bay has had to close, at least temporarily, because it couldn't find a chef.

Zagone says the Sept. 11 terrorist attack in the East hasn't been a factor; no decline in tourism has been noted in Ruidoso.

"All the recent events — the Golden Aspen Motorcycle Rally, Aspenfest, the Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium —

set new records," Zagone said. "And we continue to get many inquiries about the holidays. People are making plans."

The holidays — Thanksgiving and Christmas and New Year's — always have presented a challenge for visitors, she said, because many restaurants seem to close so their staff can spend time with their families.

Martin and Zagone both agree that when restaurants close permanently, the cause often is not personal — the owners get worn out, or want to move somewhere else.

And, Zagone noted, people from elsewhere recently have inquired about opening their own business in Ruidoso. "Usually a restaurant," she said.

### Agricultural outlook

## American Farm Bureau was born down on the farm

BY STEWART TRUENSEN  
AMERICAN FARM BUREAU

Tucked away in the corner of a shopping plaza near Binghamton, N.Y., is a rock monument with a plaque on it.

Few passersby pay any attention to it, but many people do pay attention to the organization whose founding it commemorates — Farm Bureau.

The rock rests on land that was once the farm of James Quinn, the first president of the Broome County Farm Bureau in 1911. Quinn's farm was near town and fell victim to urban growth, but agriculture is still important in the county, contributing tens of millions of dollars to the economy.

The president of the Broome County Farm Bureau is now Bill Olin, a dairy farmer. Olin has familiarized himself with the history of what started here and quickly became a national

movement. Ironically, the big concern in 1911 was not much different than today — farms going out of business.

"We have two rivers running through the county, but the uplands are hardpan soils and not the most productive, and there were a lot of farms that were going out of production at that point," says Olin.

The abandoned farm caught the attention of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad and the Binghamton Chamber of Commerce. They sought help from the U.S. Department of Agriculture and New York State College of Agriculture. The result was a joint effort to hire a county agent to oversee the first Farm Bureau.

The name Farm Bureau became synonymous with American agriculture, but over the years the name has caused

confusion too. Non-farmers often mistake it for an agency of the government. Olin recalls how Farm Bureau got the name. "The various divisions of the chamber of commerce are divided into bureaus like the visitors and convention bureau. Farm Bureau was an extension of that idea," he says.

From the beginning, Farm Bureau has been a problem solving organization. The problem in 1911 was finding better farming methods for the hilly farm ground in the county. Today, the problems are likely to be global, like the ones encountered by Dave Johnson, an apple grower. "China now sets the price of apples that I sell 10 miles away, so it is not a good situation. We are trying to get around it by having people come and pick apples off of our farm and we are selling less and less downtown" says Johnson.

Another Farm Bureau member, Steve Herz, raises Morgan horses, a versatile and stylish breed. Like many farm families today, he and his wife also hold off-farm jobs; they work as teachers. Herz likes the fact that Farm Bureau represents all of agriculture. "If we are helping agriculture in general, we are helping us in particular," he says.

President Olin reasons that if Farm Bureau hadn't started in Broome County, it would have formed somewhere else because farmers need it. "We know that we can get a lot more done working together in an organization than the same number of people, or more people, running around in all different directions," he says.

Stewart Truelsen is the director of broadcast services for the American Farm Bureau Federation.

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**WEDDINGS ENGAGEMENTS**

**Hetterick-Stojsik**

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Kreins of Ruidoso, and Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Hetterick of Cabot, Ark., have announced the marriage of their daughter, Nancy "Beth" Hetterick, to Brian Stojsik, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Stojsik of Greenbush, Mich.

The couple were married Aug. 2 in a private ceremony at Fort Hood, Texas.

The groom is a specialist in the U.S. Army, Cavalry Division, and the bride is employed at First National Bank in Killen.



Mr. and Mrs. Brian Stojsik

**Runnels-Coy**

Benny and Cindy Runnels of Bonita Canyon, Debbie and Ken Freeman of Odessa, Texas, and Altha and John Parker of Eunice, have announced the engagement and upcoming wedding of their daughter and granddaughter, Mariah Lynn Runnels, to Garet W. Coy, son of Carol and Grady Coy of Eunice, and the grandson of Bill and Linda Winker and Molly and Odes Coy, all of Eunice.

The couple will marry at 4:14 p.m. Nov. 10 at First Christian Church in Ruidoso. The reception will be at the Swiss Chalet.

All friends of the couple and



Mariah Lynn Runnels and Garet W. Coy

their families are invited to attend.

**Watkins-Herrera**

Wayne and Barbara Jones of Davis, Okla., and Freddy Herrera of Glencoe, announce the engagement of their son, Freddy Fabian Herrera, to Jamie Kay Watkins, daughter of Donna Watkins of McAlester, Okla., and Mr. and Mrs. Don Watkins of Stuart, Okla.

The future bride is a third-year law student at the University of Oklahoma School of Law in Norman, Okla. She is employed by the Stipe Law Firm of Oklahoma City and is a member of the Christian Legal Society.

She is the granddaughter of Burlene Moorman and the late Esper Moorman of Stuart, Okla., and the late James Watkins of McAlester, Okla.

Herrera, a 1990 graduate of Davis High School, attended Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Oklahoma City.



Jamie Kay Watkins and Freddy Fabian Herrera

He served four years in the U.S. Marine Corps and currently is an Oklahoma City police officer.

He is the grandson of Priscilla Isham of Davis, Okla., and the late Frank B. Trujillo of Ruidoso, Frutoso Herrera of Glencoe and the late Amalia Herrera.

The couple plan to be married Nov. 3 in Oklahoma City.

**Gladden to meet with tribal leaders**

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Representatives of the New Mexico State Department of Education and New Mexico State Board of Education will meet with 22 Indian tribal leaders at the second Biannual Government-to-Government Summit Tuesday and Wednesday.

The meeting, focusing on how to improve the public school education of Indian students, will last from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. each day at the Sky City Casino Conference Center at the Acoma Pueblo.

Ruidoso School Superinten-

dent Mike Gladden, whose district includes about 450 students from the Mescalero Apache Reservation adjoining the village, is among five school superintendents scheduled to participate in a panel discussion the second day of the conference.

The other superintendents are from Bernalillo Public Schools, Dulce Independent Schools, Grants-Cibola County Schools and Zuni Public Schools.

"The biannual meetings provide an opportunity for partnerships and the direct involvement of tribes in meeting the educational needs of

Indian students," said Michael J. Davis, state superintendent of public instruction. "Collectively, we are seeking the most effective strategies and use of resources to increase academic achievement."

Tuesday's speakers will include Steve A. Darden with SAD Enterprises of Flagstaff, Ariz., a former magistrate, councilman and adjunct faculty member at Dinah College in Flagstaff.

He has 25 years of experience in tribal education, non-profit human services, municipal leadership and administration.

An update on legislative pri-

orities and a presentation on impact aid will follow.

Christine Simms, with the linguistics department at the University of New Mexico, will speak Wednesday about the use of native language in New Mexico. The SDE will pass out a background paper on the importance of Native American bilingual staffing to improve Indian student performance.

Sessions also are planned on assessment, accountability, schools in need of improvement, bilingual education, standards and benchmarks, as well as Native American licensure.

**Gardeners to meet in Alamogordo**

New Mexico Garden Clubs Inc. will hold its fall board meeting Oct. 26 and 27 at the Elks Lodge, 2290 Hamilton Road in Alamogordo.

Lois Dupre, president of National Garden Clubs Inc. and the mayor of Champion, Penn., will be present to meet with attendees.

New Mexico Garden Clubs Inc. has 36 clubs and 863 members across the state.

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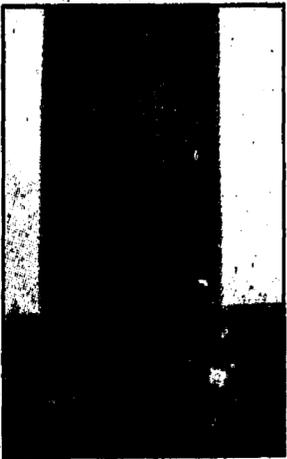
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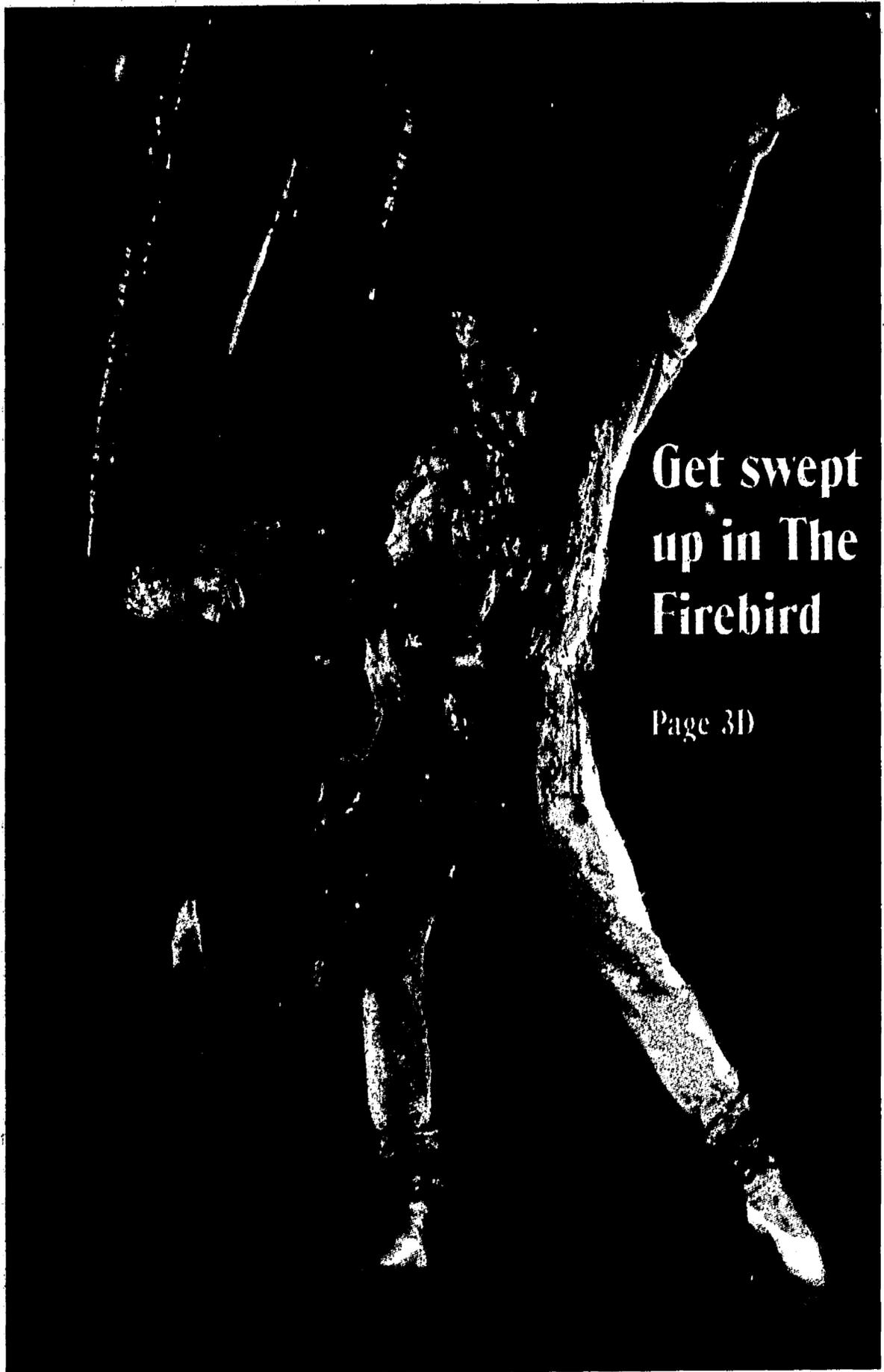
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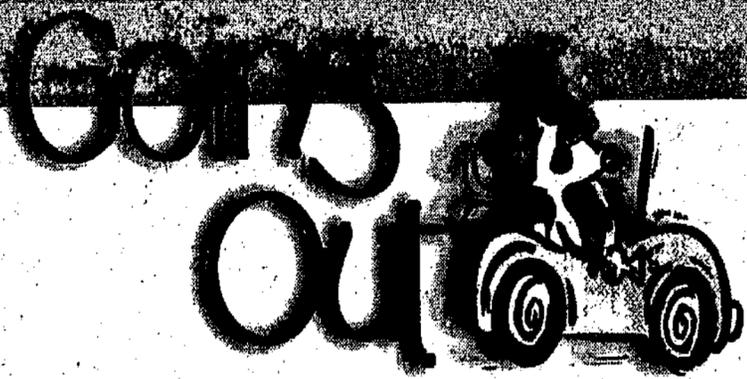
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# Dance company brings Ballet for the people

Story by Sandy Suggitt  
VAMONOSI STAFF WRITER

Those who were captivated by the "One Thousand and One Nights" ballet performed at the Spencer Theater two years ago will be entranced with Eldar Aliev's Ballet Internationale production of "The Firebird."

The ballet will be preceded by "Russian Treasures," excerpts from some of the most famous ballets created in Russia in the 19th and 20th centuries.

The flavor of Russia can be savored in the costumes by Galina Solovyeva and the sets by Simon Pastukh, but the "The Firebird" comes from the land of love stories and fairy tales, set to music by Igor Stravinsky and choreographed by Aliev, who is also the artistic director of the ballet company.

The first part of the program, "Russian Treasures," comprises the best of the Russian classics, including excerpts from "Paquita," choreographed by Marius Petipa with music by Ludwig Minkus; "The Fairy Doll," the most famous pas de Trois (dance for three, in this case, Columbine, Pierrot and Pantaloon), choreographed by Nicholas Legat with music by Josef Bayer; "Carnival of Venice," choreo-

graphed by Marius Petipa with music by Cesare Pugni; and "Swan Lake," by Peter Tchaikovsky and Marius Petipa.

These excerpts were developed by Ballet Internationale in a collaboration with the Art Museum in Indianapolis exhibit "Kremlin Gifts from the Czar," presenting the best and most familiar of Russian ballet's long history.

A former principal dancer with the Kirov Ballet, Aliev has brought the Indianapolis-based Ballet Internationale from a ranking of 27th to one of the 10 best companies in the United States by changing repertoire, artistic staff and the strategy of artistic development of the company.

"I want to focus more on story ballets, which are more understandable for people who have never come to ballet," Aliev said in a telephone interview. "I want to attract people by the repertoire and the simplicity of the

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Courtesy

Beauty and grace will take the stage Saturday when "The Firebird" is performed at the Spencer Theater.



## The Arts

# Have camera, will travel

Story by Sandy Suggitt  
VAMONOSI STAFF WRITER

A lust for travel and an interest in people's day-to-day lives is what drew photographers Jan Butchofsky-Houser and Dave Houser together, and this continues to set the pace for their lives.

The Housers have been operating a travel writing and stock photography business out of their home in Nogal for 10 years, traveling to 160 countries and most of the United States to make photographs for publications like *National Geographic Traveler*, *The New York Times*, *Sunset*, and for travel guides and international advertising. Their 500,000 or so images comprise a leasing library for publications and advertisers, and they add to it daily.

For Jan and Dave Houser, good photographs are more than the click of a shutter.

"We both believe that we don't take pictures," Jan said. "We make pictures. That involves a dialogue and a hand signal or a nod ... You need to know how to work with people, you need to know about their culture, and you need to understand on an intimate, intuitive level who they are so you can interpret on film what their lives are about."

The essence of life for the Housers is exploring the world with the camera and becoming involved in the lives of those they memorialize on film.

Jan grew up in El Paso and visited Ruidoso often, being a ski bum and "getting in trouble in Ruidoso" for as long as she can remember. She knew she wanted to be a photographer when she was 8 and was given a Brownie by her grandmother — a muse who dressed up as a Native American and posed for her.

Her grandmother fed her photography habit and helped train her eye by taking her to a park in her old Cadillac to just sit and watch people walk by. The two would then imagine what their lives were like, and Jan used the frame of the back windshield as a practice lens on the world.

"The beauty of photography is you have to become a trained observer," she said. "People see the things that are pleasing: color, shapes, texture and concepts that they want to. A photographer has to take in all the information in a scene. I think my grandmother helped to train me to take in all the information in the world and to be aware, and she instilled in me the thirst to explore."

Jan's lust for travel was kindled the first time in 1972 when she



Courtesy/Dave and Jan Houser

The Housers' work is wide in range and includes this photo of a Havana, Cuba, woman. Their work will be on display at State National Bank today.

traveled around the world with Semester at Sea (formerly World Campus Afloat). After that, she said, she was supposed to come back and settle down, but that was the last thing she wanted to do.

She received a degree in radio and television and had planned to be a television director, but one day on the television set, somebody handed her a still camera and she got it into her head that she could pursue photography as a career, not just as a hobby.

"After that, I sold my car to buy a camera and I was off and running. Since then, I've managed to do a lot of travel."

Her career took off when she began photographing rock'n roll celebrities in Austin, El Paso and Santa Fe, hooking up with the music scene from Santa Fe with its Los Angeles-Santa Fe connection. She photographed comedians and musicians involved in Second City and "Saturday Night Live."

Dave Houser was born in Cody, Wyoming, and started out as an engineer in the aerospace industry, not a photographer. Unhappy with the work, he went back to school and earned a journalism degree at the University of Florida, cum laude — and studied pho-

tography. For some years he worked as a speech writer for Coca Cola and produced its bottler magazine, then switched to Pepsi and began traveling around the world writing and photographing for corporate magazines. At the same time, he freelanced profiles of other CEOs. Then he took the leap and plunged into freelancing full time.

His first travel trip was to Iceland in 1980, and this was when he started his stock photography business and his writing career. He managed to incorporate one of his hobbies — race car driving — with freelancing, covering and driving in Daytona road races. This gave him three trips across Africa for 28 days of driving in the wilderness.

Dave operated his stock photo business and traveled for about 13 years — until Jan applied for a job with him as an assistant. By this time, she was tired of photographing the entertainment world.

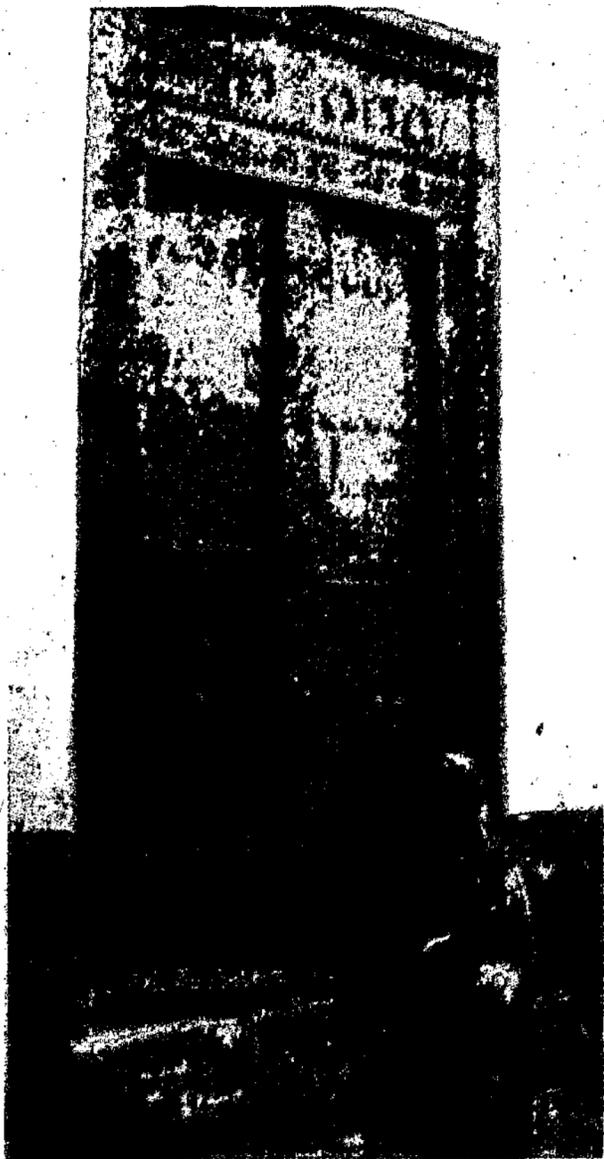
They published a couple of guide books together and got to know each other professionally before they started dating — although for Jan it was love at first sight when she met Dave. They hooked up full time a year later, and on a visit to Ruidoso, happened on the perfect house to work out of in Nogal.



Courtesy/Dave and Jan Houser

Above, colorful members of the Lily Cai Chinese Dance Company perform at the Spencer Theater. Dave, below center, and Jan, below right, have traveled to Tanzania, where the picture at below left was taken.

*"There's still a lot of world to see, places to discover and places to revisit."*



Jan would like to travel for two weeks every other month, enjoying their four dogs and a cat, a garden and community involvement, but Dave travels considerably more (212 days in one year not long ago): "Dave sits still for five weeks and then he's chomping at the bit," she said, laughing.

Although the Sept. 11 tragedy changed their plans for visiting India near the Pakistan border, they won't quit traveling and will focus instead on covering New Mexico and the U.S. — and plan a trip to New York to help promote tourism.

"There's still a lot of world to see, places to discover and places to revisit," she said. "I wouldn't trade our life for anything. I'm living my dream. It makes each day exciting and makes me forever grateful."

The Housers have a show opening at State National Bank today that includes 52 of their photographs taken all over the world. The opening reception is from 1 to 4 p.m. Both Housers will be there to sign press cards and postcards.



## BELLAS ARTES

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### Art and Artifact

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A contemporary gallery featuring fine art and rare, unusual objects for collectors. Gallery hours are 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday or by appointment.

### Benson Fine Art

Off Highway 70, San Patricio, 653-4081  
In Hondo Valley: entrada gallery with early Southwestern artists, guest house gallery with landscape photography and contemporary gallery; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday to Sunday or by appointment.

### Blue Cow Pottery

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Dave McGary's facility features a finishing studio and a gallery which showcases a two-decade retrospective collection of his "Images in Bronze." Gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday - Saturday.

### Fruit of the Trees

Highway 380 between mile markers 95 and 96, 653-4699

Artist Paula Wilson and bookbinder Beverly Wilson showcase handmade paper, blank journals and multiple paper products. North at the sign on Highway 380 between mile markers 95 and 96, follow the drive to the studio. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Thursday - Sunday.

### G.D. Garrett Fine Art

2306 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, 257-7695 or 257-6977

Featuring original art and prints by local artist Gary Garrett. Originals and prints of Sierra Blanca and local wildlife.

### Handwoven Designs

102 Lincoln Avenue, Capitan, 354-2008  
Maggie Doyle is a nationally recognized, fourth-generation hand weaver with a working weavery in Capitan. She draws inspiration from the landscapes of her New Mexican home for her handwoven clothing. Open Thursday - Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

### Hurd-La Rinconada Gallery

Off Highway 70 in San Patricio, 653-4331  
Michael Hurd's latest works plus works by Peter Hurd, Henriette Wyeth Hurd, Andrew Wyeth, Jamie Wyeth, Carol Hurd Rogers and Peter de la Fuente. Works can be viewed Monday - Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and by appointment on Sunday.

### The Kenyon Thomas Gallery

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### Lincoln State Monument

Highway 380, Lincoln, 653-4372  
Montaño Store and exhibits highlighting the Montaño family, Hispanic contributions to the area and adobe architecture. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday - Sunday. Admission fee included in the \$6 daily pass at the Courthouse for admission to seven buildings, including those of the Hubbard Museum.

### McMahon Fine Art

No. 7 Jira Plaza, 700 Mechem, 257-9102  
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### Mtn. Arts Gallery & Framing

2530 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, 257-9748  
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### Nogal Store & Gallery

Highway 37, Nogal  
Featuring the works of Nogal and Lincoln County area artists and craftsmen. Hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Wednesday - Saturday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday.

### Pinon Pottery Studio & Gallery

2.8 miles east of Wal-Mart on Highway 70, 378-4270

Vicky Conley's functional and decorative raku pottery, etchings, block prints and monotypes. Bridal registry available. Original paintings, prints, silk scarves, jewelry and funky clocks by local artists. Monday - Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday noon to 4 p.m.

### Red Rose Art Studio

County Road E016, Hondo, 653-4203  
The studio of Hondo Valley artist Paula White features her works in oil, acrylic and porcelain in styles from impressionistic to abstract expression. Call for hours.

### Spring Canyon Gallery

2206 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, 257-1561  
Artist Misha Malpica's Spring Canyon sculpturing studio, where you can meet the artist and watch as a creation unfolds before your eyes. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday - Thursday; 10 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Friday - Sunday.

### Stribling Fine Art

1031 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso, 258-4892  
Featuring contemporary Southwest paintings by New Mexico artist Stephen Stribling. Located in The Attic complex (upstairs in back). Hours: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday - Sunday, or by appointment.

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107 Altamira Drive, Alto, 336-9171  
Scott and Trish Thompson's creative antler lighting, log, iron, antler and leather furnishings features their custom designs or yours. Call for appointment.

### The Tree's House

Nogal Canyon Road off Highway 37 between mile markers 9 and 10, Nogal, 354-4206

The Lags are woodworkers who design and create a variety of functional art-works, including doors, screens and lamps. Located in Nogal at Highway 37 and Nogal Canyon Road.

### Unique Creations

Nogal Mesa, 354-3500, 354-4203  
Creative expressions by Sandy Hartley include fiber art furniture, etched and stained glass, original macrame headboards, wall hangings etc. Open by appointment for interior consultation, commissions and gift items.

### Western Trails Gallery

320 Smokey Bear Blvd., Capitan 354-4203.

Original Western oils, a collection of quality Indian jewelry and artifacts, unique ethnographic and regional crafts.

### White Mtn. Pottery Gallery

2328 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, 257-3644  
Established in 1975 and featuring a collection of talented clay artists, it offers tableware, lamps and accessories by local and nationally known potters. Call for hours.

### White Oaks Pottery Studio & Gallery

3 1/2 miles NE of White Oaks, 648-2985  
From her adobe studio, potter Ivy Heymann makes functional porcelain, sculptures and lighting in the shadow of Patos Mountain. A one-hour drive north from Ruidoso. Open 7 days, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

### ZW's gallery

Milemarker 4 3/4, Highway 37, Nogal  
Weaving, spinning, blacksmithing. Open from noon to 6 p.m., Friday; 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday; 10 a.m. 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.

# Workshop set for photo kids

Kids with an eye for the camera lens can learn the basics at a photography workshop coming up in town.

A basic photo workshop for children in grades three through six will take place on Oct. 27 at The Hubbard Museum of the American West in Ruidoso Downs. Jointly sponsored by the Museum and the Photographic Society of Lincoln County, this afternoon event will provide an opportunity for these young people to learn some groundwork for becoming outdoor photographers.

The class will begin with the proper operation of a disposable camera loaded with color print film. How to compose a good picture will be discussed. Each participant will learn how to keep the horizon level and how to arrange the subject within the camera's viewfinder to make the best picture possible.

The field exercise will take the workshop to the "Free Spirits" monument at the museum so all participants can put what was learned into practice. Instructors will work closely with all students to maximize the photographic potential.

At the end of the workshop, all cameras will be collected for film processing and selection of the students' best work for display within the museum in conjunction with the 10th Annual Fall American Photography Competition and Exhibition.

The session for third and fourth graders will begin at 1 p.m. and the session for fifth and sixth graders will begin at 3 p.m. Each session will last about two hours. Refreshments will be served. Each class is limited to the first 20 students who pre-register with the registration form and the \$2 fee delivered to the museum. Deadline for entry is Oct. 19.

To register your child, or for more information about the workshop, call Elizabeth Becker at 378-4142.

# Sheriff's posse needs artists for 2002 poster

Entries are being accepted for the 2002 Lincoln County Sheriff's Posse Pony Express Trail Ride poster.

The medium and format of the works are at the artist's discretion. The subject matter is not specified, except that the winning work will commemorate the spirit and adventure of the Pony Express days.

The winning selection will appear on a poster approximately 24" by 24" and on the cachet envelopes commemorating the event. The artist will receive an award of \$150, be honored with a reception on the eve of the 2002 ride and be invited to join the ride itself.

Entries are due by Nov. 1. For more information, contact: Rosemary LaRue, P.O. Box 192, Lincoln, NM 88338 or call 653-4116.



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# To go where no beer has ever gone before

It's time for "Guys In Science," the feature in which we report on the heroic efforts of guys, using scientific knowledge, to explore, and exceed, the limits of common sense.

We begin with this *Important Safety Advisory*: The activities described here are very dangerous. These activities were engaged in by expert guys with specialized experience in such fields as physics and accordion repair. Do not attempt any of these activities unless you have a signed statement from a medical doctor certifying that, in his professional opinion, you are a moron who deserves to die. Do not even read this column without safety goggles.

Our first guy is Simon Hansen of Auckland, New Zealand, where guys are called "blokes." According to Simon's Web site (<http://www.asciimation.co.nz/beer/>), brought to my attention by many alert guy readers, Simon was in his garage, when he realized that he had a very serious guy problem: His beer was warm.

Now, many people, faced with this problem, would solve it via some low-tech, unscientific method such as putting the beer on ice, or in a refrigerator. But Simon Hansen is not "many people." He decided to cool his beer by — I am not making this up — building a jet engine. He welded it together, largely from automobile parts, right there in his garage.

To understand how a jet engine could make beer cold, you need to know something about physics. Fortunately, I studied physics under the legendary Mr. Heldeman at Pleasantville High School. Unfortunately, we frittered away our

time studying such topics as the fulcrum, and never got to the part about cooling beer with a jet engine.

But if I follow Simon's explanation, the whole purpose of his engine is to suck the fuel — liquid petroleum gas — very rapidly out of a fuel tank. For some reason, possibly involving molecules, this rapid sucking action — in addition to being a good name for a rock band — causes the fuel tank to get very cold. So when Simon wants to chill a can of beer, he simply puts it into a tub of water, puts the fuel tank into the tub, fires up his jet engine, and, voila, he is deaf. That's because his engine has a noise level of 125 decibels. To give you an idea what that means: If you were exposed to that many decibels, at close range and without ear protection, you would be sitting in my son's car.

So, yes, it's noisy. But there's an old saying among scientific guys: "You can't make an omelet without breaking eggs, ideally by dropping a cement truck on them from a crane." The bottom line is this: When Simon ran his jet engine, his beer-can temperature decreased from 11 degrees C to 2 degrees C in just five minutes. This is very impressive, and would be even more so if we knew what a "C" was.

The important thing is that this guy, using science, has found a new, innovative and — above all — loud way to cool beer. Perhaps this will inspire other guys to come up with an even *more* scientific method, such as shooting beer cans into outer space, or sending them backward in time to the Ice Age. That's how your major scientific discoveries are made, and that's why, in the interest of progress, it is so very important,

when a guy is in his garage, never to interrupt him with petty requests that he mow the lawn, take out the garbage, go to his wedding, etc.

For our other example of Guys in Science, we go to San Francisco, where a guy named Kimric Smythe — who makes his living in the field of accordion sales and repair — recently attached several ordinary household vacuum cleaners to a propane fuel line, then turned them on. As you have no doubt realized, he had a scientific reason for doing this: To see what happens.

It turns out that what happens is very bad for the vacuum cleaners. I have some photographs of the experiment sent to me by Kimric's proud father, Bill Smythe. Some of the vacuum cleaners briefly transform into rockets, but pretty soon, as Kimric informed me in a telephone interview, they tend to suffer a major appliance malfunction, sometimes involving shrapnel.

This is an important experiment, because it proves, scientifically, that it would be a big mistake, no matter how tempting it may be, for us to try to build rockets using vacuum cleaners powered by propane. Somebody should tell NASA immediately. Maybe you could do that, OK? I'm going to have a cold one.

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# The Exterminator

## Part 2



Joel Fowler

*Courtesy*

It appears that Joel Fowler prospered as a saloon keeper, because in 1881, he was firmly established as the owner of a lucrative cattle ranching operation about 35 miles west of Socorro at a place called Bear Spring. He called it the Alamo Ranch and it was about 100 miles from White Oaks, his last home of record.

Fowler was fond of drunken sprees. Very fond. So much so that the Silver City Enterprise reported in 1883 that Fowler "is a dare-devil fellow, and the only man that bluffed John Gilmo while marshal of this city." And while Joel seemed to have one standard of conduct for himself, it appears that he felt that others should not be given so much leeway. Rustlers, he particularly disapproved of.

Jim Finley, a fellow named Forrest and Whiskey Jim Greathouse appropriated about 40 head of cattle from Fowler's Alamo Ranch and drove them south toward Georgetown.

History buffs will recall that Whiskey Jim Greathouse, a former partner-in-crime of Billy the Kid and others, had previously run a stolen stock clearing house near White Oaks

that had been burned to the ground by an enraged White Oaks posse led by Will Hudgens near the end of 1880.

### Gunsmoke

Fowler and his foreman, identified by the newspapers as Jim Ike, took off in pursuit of the three rustlers. Riding south, Fowler and Ike encountered the three miscreants, who, having sold the stock, were heading north with their ill-gotten gains. It was at or near the old abandoned Ojo Caliente Indian Agency that the five men came face-to-face.

The three rustlers immediately drew their guns, but Fowler put them at ease with a tale of how he had just murdered a man in Socorro and that he could use their help in moving his cattle elsewhere. Imagine putting

someone at ease by telling them that you are an escaped murderer...

The quintet began riding north together, but at a place known as Point of Rocks at the north edge of the San Mateo Mountains, things became unpleasant. Greathouse suddenly drew a revolver on Fowler, announcing that "I know your racket, but it won't work." Fowler, who was holding a double-barreled shotgun across his lap, blasted Greathouse out of the saddle, and then turned the other barrel on Forrest. At the same time, Ike killed Finley.

Leaving the three dead men where they had fallen, Fowler and Ike continued on to the Gallinas Mountains to confront Dr. C.F. Blackington, one of Fowler's neighbors who ran a saw mill there. Joel felt that the three rustlers he had just killed were working for Blackington. Taking Blackington and another man named West into "custody," Fowler and Ike started for Socorro with their prisoners.

The next day, Blackington managed to escape and the other three continued on into Socorro. The day after that, Blackington showed up in town and filed counter charges against Fowler, accusing him of unlawfully depriving him of his liberty. The case was apparently settled amicably, as later that day, both Fowler and Blackington were acting like long lost friends.

**A wild gunfight**

On September 15, 1883, Fowler found that one of his employees, known as "Pony" was actually the brother of "Forrest" whom Joel had killed for rustling. As you can imagine, he instantly discharged the fellow. But Pony rode into Socorro and, picking up a crony known only as "Butcher Knife Bill," he returned to the ranch. But Joel was absent, so the pair made themselves comfortable on his porch. It wasn't long before Joel showed up and then

the fun began in earnest.

As Fowler rode up, both men drew their revolvers and Bill fired a round at the rancher. Fowler returned fire with a shotgun, which seems to have been a popular weapon with him, killing Butcher Knife Bill on the spot. Pony then ran into the house, at which point, an employee of Fowler's named McGee showed up and went to try and talk Pony out of the place. When he stuck his head through the door, Pony put a bullet through it.

Fowler was determined. After Pony refused to come out and "fight it out" with him, Fowler set fire to his own house to flush the fellow out. It didn't work. Pony, apparently more afraid of Fowler than death, shot himself in the head. Or did he? Many felt that was just a cover story that Fowler concocted and that Pony was killed execution style.

Joel never knew when to quit, either. He went into town, but before he could appear before a magistrate to clear himself, he bumped into another acquaintance, who he proceeded, without further ado, to beat about the head and shoulders with a pistol. Nevertheless, he was cleared of all charges.

**A fateful sale**

On the afternoon of November 6, 1883, Joel Fowler and his wife arrived from their ranch in a state of extreme excitement. They had sold the place to a Fort Worth man for a whopping \$52,500, which was a lot of money in 1883. All of this would have been fine if Joel hadn't come to the conclusion that it was, as historian Howard Bryan has put it, "his night to howl."

Leaving his wife at the Grand Central Hotel, Joel took off in pursuit of all the whiskey in Socorro. He was at least relatively successful as he arrived, snockered, at the Grand Central around dawn. With pistols in each hand, Joel proceeded to show everyone just what

a great sense of humor he really did have. Firing at their feet, he made some dance while others were forced to stand on their heads in corners. (Really, this must have been an interesting sight).

In the middle of this foolishness, several men in the hotel decided that they had enough and jumped him. Wrestling Fowler to the ground, they managed to get the pistols away from him, but not before he had pulled a long dirk and plunged it into the chest of one of the men, James Cale.

Cale had been a traveling salesman and in fact, had previously sold some clothing to Fowler, who the unfortunate Cale considered to be a friend. He testified on his deathbed that he was "afraid Fowler would shoot someone..."

Fowler was immediately charged with first degree murder and incarcerated. However, the money from the sale of his ranch put him in a position to procure the finest legal talent available. He hired, among others, Thomas Catron of Santa Fe, prime mover and shaker of the Santa Fe Ring.

It did no good. On December 8, 1883, about a month after Cale's death, Fowler was found guilty of first degree murder and sentenced to death, the execution being scheduled for January 4, 1884. His attorney appealed, and the execution date was set aside.

And it was then that the vigilantes took notice. Also, just to add insult to injury, Joel's wife showed up for a visit and gave him the details of exactly how she and her new boyfriend intended to spend his money after his demise.

**The Socorro Vigilance Committee**

Fowler was getting nervous. As he languished in his jail cell, he became privy to more and more frequent rumors that he would be the vigilantes' sixth victim. In the past few years, they had hanged five men. The Vigilance Committee in

Socorro was much like Vigilance Committees elsewhere in the West. Basically, they were all law-abiding citizens who didn't have the patience when the legal wheels began moving too slowly.

On the night of January 22, 1884, two things happened simultaneously. One was that the vigilantes took note of the fact that the Sheriff had left town to deliver two train robbers to Silver City and the other - what a coincidence - was that their patience had run out.

Chester Potter, who was present at the lynching, remembered many years later that Fowler appeared calm and collected at the hanging, going so far as to laugh and joke with his executioners. Well, Potter also remembered Joel's wife's name as Belle and not Josie, which is what it really was... The newspapers at the time told a far different story. According to one paper: "Between the hours of 12 last night and 1 this morning, about 200 men surrounded the jail and demanded of the guards the surrender of Fowler. The guards making no resistance, the citizens proceeded to force the door leading to Fowler's cell.

"This was accomplished in a very few moments, and Fowler was taken out, crying murder at the top of his voice. He was taken to a tree about 200 yards west of the jail and hung..."

According to the Las Vegas Optic: "Fowler loudly called on heaven to protect him, when some wag in the crowd called out: 'It's a cold night for angels, Joel. Better call on someone nearer town.'

"He then protested that law abiding citizens should protect him. The same voice replied: 'You are in the hands of law-abiding citizens, Mr. Fowler, and they will see that you get your just deserts (sic).'"

According to Montague Stevens, who was there, Fowler was taken to a cottonwood tree, a noose was placed

around his neck and the end of the rope thrown over a limb of the tree. Then the vigilantes attempted to hoist Fowler into the air, but when they noticed that his toes were still touching the ground, some of them "threw their weight against his legs, completing the strangulation."

A coroner's jury ruled that Fowler "came to his death by strangulation, at the hands of persons unknown to the jury."

**Epilogue**

Fowler was laid out and displayed for hundreds of Socorro residents. He was nattily attired in new suit and boots, purchased for him by his wife, Josie. Montague Stevens recalled decades later that the price of the boots (\$10) was clearly visible marked on the bottom of them.

Mrs. Fowler withdrew the remains of Joel's money out of the bank and then departed Socorro with his remains. What she did with Joel is anyone's guess. What she did with the money was spend it. It was reported the following July that she was in Butte City, Montana, dealing monte and that she had "went through with all the money her husband left her."

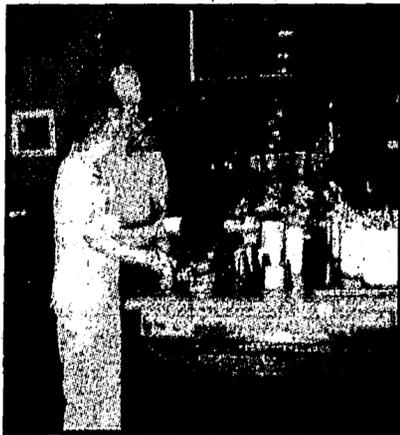
The last that was heard of her was in the March 14, 1885, Albuquerque Evening Democrat, which stated that: "Jack Acres, a well-known sporting man, has gone to Socorro where he will open the finest club rooms in the territory. He is accompanied by his wife, formerly Mrs. Joe[] Fowler."

The death of Joel Fowler was the last attributed to the Socorro Vigilantes. And, with the exception of a few ne'er-do-well friends, he was mourned by no one.

Sources: *Robbers, Rogues and Ruffians*, by Howard Bryan; *A Documentary History of the Lincoln County War* by Frederick Nolan and *The Encyclopedia of Western Gunfighters* by Bill O'Neal.

# Dining Guide

## CATTLE BARON STEAK & SEAFOOD RESTAURANT

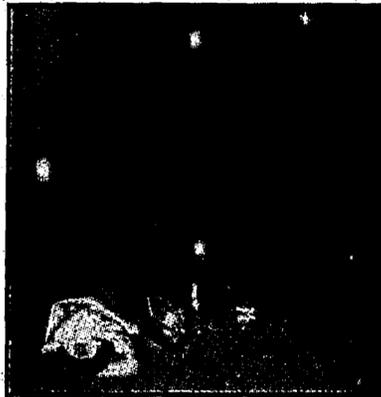


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