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Hudak back in N.M. court

HEAT head forgoes identity hearing

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The owner of anti-terrorism training complexes in Roswell and Arabela waived his hearing in U.S. District Court in El Paso Thursday and is being held without bond.

David Hudak, 41, a Canadian national and president of High Energy Access Tools Corp., is charged with possession of destructive devices not properly registered. The arrest occurred in connection with the execution of a search warrant by U.S. Customs and Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms agents at the two compounds last week.

Norm Cairns, with public information at the U.S. Attorney's Office in Albuquerque, said Hudak will be returned to New Mexico for an appearance in federal court in Las Cruces within the next few working days.

An identity hearing in Texas is conducted when a criminal defendant is arrested in that state and is charged with a crime in another state. It gives the defendant a chance to say he's not the man named in the warrant, but most defendants waive the procedure, Cairns said.

During the search of the Roswell center, agents discovered more than 2,300 munition warheads and about

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County's officials debate what to do with Capitan clinic

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

No firm answers, but many opinions were floated last week during a debate on how to ensure proper health care for needy families in Capitan.

County Manager Tom Stewart reminded Lincoln County commissioners that they asked him to "flesh out" several options on how The Rose Clinic's continued operation could be assured, but he decided in subsequent discussions with founder Kathleen Smith and her husband, that the focus should have been how to take care of citizens, not the clinic.

Cliff Smith told commissioners his wife is not seeking favoritism for her clinic.

"As Tom said, it is not the clinic that needs the support, it's the citizens who have no insurance and are left out of the system," he said.

Claiming that 71.5 percent of the clinic's patients are uninsured, he said, it charges 50 percent or less of regular cost to hard-working people.

"We offered to sell or donate if we were standing in the way of getting help to the people," he said.

But Dr. Michael Nishitani, head of the Immediate Care Clinic in Ruidoso, rebuked the commission for considering subsidizing one clinic over another.

"How can county funds just be shifted to another place when voters specified Carrizozo, Capitan and Hondo rural health clinics (to receive proceeds of a special tax levy)?" he asked. "We do take care of a lot of people who don't have insurance and can not pay. We eat it. We're a private clinic and we do that.

"I guess it comes down to, if you can't do it profitably, you close. That's the American way."

If the county provides any support in Capitan, it should go to a successful clinic operated by Dr.

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THEY LIKE THE SPIKE

DIANNE STALLINGS/STAFF

The Moos sisters look a little unsure about the spiked hairdo of Ryan Kluthe of Ruidoso. From left are Nicole, Justine, Halee and Brianna Moos, also from Ruidoso. Inset, Kluthe poses to show off his vibrant colors.

Speed warning signs coming to Lincoln

■ Reduced speed limits are also proposed to slow down vehicles in the historic settlement.

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
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Officials will try to slow down traffic through the historic settlement of Lincoln by posting warning signs at entrances, lowering speed limits and using electronic signs to alert drivers about how fast they're traveling.

After being contacted last month by Lincoln County Manager Tom Stewart about the need to slow down vehicles, especially large trucks that cause vibrations that could damage historic buildings, Transportation Secretary Peter Rahn said his staff will review speed studies in and around Lincoln and a vibration study analysis.

Capt. Ernesto Pinon of the Motor Transportation Division of the New Mexico State Police explained last week that this district consists of eight counties covered by 13 patrolmen.

"So we're stretched out," he told county commissioners. "All our operations will be strategically administered. We've been trying to contact the highway department to get their assistance."

He would like to coordinate a traffic count near the historical area on U.S. 380.

"That will allow us to put personnel in the area during heavy traffic times when most commercial vehicles or other types are going through," he said. "We would have high patrolman visibility in the area, which always seems to help slow down commercial vehicles."

Speeds also should be studied, Pinon said.

"We'd like them to put up visible advisory and warning signs of speed restrictions – maybe slowing it down," he said.

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DIANNE STALLINGS/STAFF

A wet July has made things green, but hasn't caused some creeks to flow.

Summer rain above normal, but drought remains

■ A National Weather Service meteorologist says Ruidoso is still 25 percent behind normal moisture.

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A Ruidoso woman who collects rainwater for her garden said her containers are overflowing this month.

But despite the almost daily storms, springs remain dry that usually are bubbling down the canyons along hiking trials in upper Cedar Creek.

What's going on?

Charles Liles, meteorologist with the National Weather Service, said Monday while rain is plentiful this month, a multi-year drought continues.

"I think you're having a pretty good summer, but the deficit covers several years," he said. "You need more for the water table to rise."

The area around Ruidoso lags about 3.5 inches behind its annual average at this point in the year, he said.

"In July, you registered 4.24 inches, compared to the norm of 4 inches, so it was a little bit above," Liles said. "But the average mark for the end of July in that area is 11.12 inches and you had 7.05 inches, about 63 percent of normal. The good part is that you had been running 30 percent to 40 percent of normal until the summer rains started."

August also is wetter than normal. By this time of the month, the average is 2.43 inches, and Ruidoso and the surrounding area registered 3.02 inches, he said.

"So at 10.07 inches for the year, you're about 74 percent of the average 13.55 inches," Liles said. "The summer has gone fairly close to normal or a little above, but

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CLINIC: Commission gives clinic owners options

Walter Seidel Jr., Nishitani said. He disputed that The Rose Clinic's schedule is more "available" to residents than Seidel's.

Only being opened a few days a week isn't serving patients, he contended.

"You can't do that," the doctor said "We have based our practice on availability, and availability is expensive. That's why a hospital is expensive – availability of intensive and immediate care."

County officials are unrealistic to think they can provide that level of care all over the county, he said.

"That's why we send sick people to centers. That's where the good medicine is. We practice preventative medicine," he said. "We know it's expensive at the emergency room, but that's what it's for – to be available is expensive."

While he believes profitability and patient care shouldn't be mentioned together, they are related, Nishitani said. He'd like to buy expensive software and other equipment to make patient care more efficient, but he can't, he said.

Commission Chairman Rex Wilson asked what percentage of Nishitani's patients are unable to pay.

"I don't have those figures because we don't have personnel to figure that out," the doctor responded. "We don't have seven office personnel, but we have a walk-in clinic. Anybody comes in. If you want to give me some county funds, I'll hire a bookkeeper to do that for me."

Commissioner L. Ray Nunley said he doesn't want to create the impression that hundreds of people are being denied proper health care in Lincoln County because they are poor.

"I want to assure everybody here that (the emergency room at the county-owned Lincoln County Medical Center in Ruidoso and area physicians) have taken care of big part of these people who really can't afford health care," Nunley said. "I don't want us to sit here and say hundreds are not cared for – there are some, but the hospital gives away about $1 million in care each year."

The health clinic in Carrizozo uses a sliding scale for fees based on income, he said.

"The situation is not a disaster," said Nunley, who is a pharmacist.

Commissioner William Schwettmann suggested calling The Rose Clinic a branch of the Carrizozo health clinic so that it would be eligible for the tax levy money.

"I would like to tell you what you want to hear, but I don't think I can in this instance," said County Attorney Alan Morel. The language approved by voters is too restrictive.

Commissioner Leo Martinez said his objection is based on the county competing with the existing private clinic in Capitan. The county's other clinics were established where no physicians were practicing, he pointed out.

"We're just looking for other ways to seek help," Smith said, asking the commission to "think outside of the box.".

"We don't like to sell the clinic," he said. "We're not selling because we can't make it. We're struggling because we're trying to provide assistance."

"I cherish private enterprise – which is providing that service (in Capitan)," Martinez said. "When the county or the city or the state does it, things get short-changed."

He suggested changing the county's guidelines to qualify more people as medically indigent or to expand the definition for providers in an effort to include borderline families. But Stewart said the county is one of few with a viable indigent program because it is careful. Most counties have exhausted their indigent programs.

He acknowledged that many families fall in a crack not covered by various health care subsidies.

Wilson suggested the Smiths look at reorganizing the clinic as a nonprofit entity to qualify for other types of funding and reimbursements.

James Gibson, head of LCMC, pointed out that emergency care is the most expensive that can be provided.

"It's far better to provide primary preventive health care at The Rose Clinic than have people drive to other clinics," he said. His board proposes that the county advertise for proposals to manage the existing three clinics and The Rose Clinic as a package, he said. That way, all could benefit from economies of scale.

Martinez said the county should "stay out of it."

"I think we're in too deep already," he said. "I think the taxpayers are paying over what they should be paying."

Lincoln County patients should have first chance at dental and medical care at county clinics, Martinez said, but he heard from Nunley that many people are coming to Carrizozo from Tularosa and other Otero County sites.

Michelle Rebstock, whose husband is a surgeon, said to optimize care, The Rose Clinic should move to Carrizozo.

"Indigent care doesn't need to be on every corner," she said, adding that many people drive into Carrizozo from Corona on days when the county clinic there isn't manned.

Kathleen Smith told commissioners she named the clinic after Sister Rose from Mercy Hospital in Oklahoma City, but she that receives no financial support from the Sisters of Mercy. They helped with furniture for the waiting room and examination room, and with prayers, she said.

Motorcycle wreck kills Ruidosoan

BY SANDY SUGGITT
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A 35-year-old Ruidoso man died in a motorcycle accident early Thursday morning on Highway 70 near the intersection with Sudderth Drive.

Greg B. Nunnally, son of former Ruidoso municipal judge Sam Nunnally, was pronounced dead at 3:03 a.m. at Lincoln County Medical Center, after a crash at 1:05 a.m. Thursday. Another motorcyclist, Frank Picchi, 50, of Ruidoso, was transported to Lincoln County Medical Center, treated and released. Both motorcyclists were clocked as driving more than 90 mph by a Ruidoso police officer — after the officer engaged his overhead light, according to Sgt. Dewayne Goar.

"The crash has not been fully investigated," said Ruidoso Police Chief Lanny Maddox. "Citations and other enforcement action are pending further investigation."

Both men had been driving east toward Ruidoso Downs and were approaching the intersection at Sudderth Drive when they apparently lost control of their vehicles.

HUDAK: Back in N.M.

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4,000 pounds of explosives.

Frank Fish, head of security for HEAT, contended the munitions were properly registered, but if a problem exists, it is one of licensing and regulation, not criminal intent. He said the company is open for training exercises, but the presence of federal agents has created a difficult situation.

Hudak also is accused of being in the country with an expired visa. The Roswell complex started at an old airfield more than three years ago, but the 8,000-acre compound in Arabela opened in June.

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CCNG rates could go up

■ The company's board also elected a new chairman and vice chairman.

BY LIONEL W. LIPPMANN
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Gas rates will likely be going up in November for customers of Capitan-Carrizozo Natural Gas, according to the company's board of directors.

During its regular meeting, held Wednesday at the Town of Carrizozo Recreation Center, the board voted to issue requests for proposals for natural gas to be supplied from November 2002 to November 2003.

When questioned concerning the rates anticipated for this gas, the board estimated that the cost of gas will be about 50 cents higher per measured cubic foot than this year, thus bringing the cost of gas to the customers of CCNG to about $9.00 per MCF beginning this November.

Other action included the election of the board's chairman and vice-chairman. By unanimous vote, Lincoln County Sheriff Tom Sullivan, representing the Village of Capitan on the board of directors of CCNG, was elected chairman. Tommy Guevara, from Carrizozo, was elected vice-chairman.

Downs meeting gets moved up

Ruidoso Downs' next city council meeting has been moved to Monday, Aug. 26, to allow for councilors to attend the New Mexico Municipal League Annual Conference in Deming Wednesday through Friday.

Mayor Bob A. Miller and City Administrator John Waters will attend the business meeting at the conference as voting delegate and alternate, respectively.

At its last meeting, the board discussed a section of the new water and sewer ordinance adopted July 29 regarding sewer connections servicing multiple units, but was unable to take action.

Monday, councilors will revisit the topic and may delay enacting the section of the ordinance which allows the city to charge a minimum monthly fee for sewer service multiplied by the number of units being served by the connection.

In other business, the council will announce a public hearing to be held during its regular meeting on Sept. 10 to discuss adopting an amendment to the above-referenced sewer ordinance provision, an ordinance for municipal infrastructure gross receipts tax, an amendment to the city's ordinance providing for solid waste collection, and an amendment to an ordinance regarding compensation to board members for attending special, regular or emergency meetings and workshops.

Councilors will review the status of the water conservation plan, but will likely not make any changes until after Labor Day weekend. Currently the city is in water rationing phase one.

Under the consent agenda, councilors will consider approving resolutions for the emergency Colonias Community Development Block Grant water improvement phase and drainage system improvement phase one.

They will also consider rejecting a bid and approving a re-bid on the Los Lomas/Heights subdivision East Circle sewer extension, and look at advertising a request for proposals for three CDBG projects involving a sewer plan, water systems improvements and drainage systems.

The City of Ruidoso Downs' regular council meeting is Monday at 5:30 p.m. in the Hubbard Room of the municipal building on Downs Drive.

LCSWA asks DA to investigate payments

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

District Attorney Scot Key said Thursday he has received a request from the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority to determine if any criminal actions are connected to payments collected by a former authority manager.

Key, who represents the 12th Judicial District that includes Lincoln and Otero counties, said he received the letter from attorney Don Dutton, who represents the authority. He is sending a letter of confirmation to that effect this week.

At the end of the review, he will issue a letter that should become public record, he said.

The inquiry involves a discrepancy cited by authority auditor Dan Austin. He reported in January that former authority manager Rick Simpson, who also is a Lincoln County commissioner, was paid $3,450 by the garbage collection entity without verifying expenses. The board asked Simpson to either produce documentation for the expenses or repay the money.

Last month, Dutton struck an arrangement by which Simpson would make payments, but authority board members said they preferred that Key first determine if any criminal actions were involved before they approved a repayment agreement.

In other authority business, the board Tuesday:

• Discussed concerns about the rate-making power of the authority. Debra Ingle, operations supervisor, pointed out that the coalition's bylaws allow each town and the county to appoint elected representatives, if they choose. The only two entities that have non-elected officials representing them are Carrizozo and Ruidoso Downs.

The board's attorney was not present to give a report on a challenge to that rate-making authority by the mayor of Capitan, who contends a village ordinance setting rates should prevail over the authority's actions under a joint-powers agreement. Dutton has asked that governing boards of the county and its four participating municipalities reaffirm the premise of the joint-powers agreement through passage of an ordinance.

• Authorized requests for proposals to buy 3-yard dumpsters, polycarts and a truck for a 33-yard side load body.

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OUR OPINION

Just a touch of the 9/11 syndrome

HEAT questions bring anxiety a little closer to home

Doubtless, people hereabout planning to mark the anniversary of the terrorist attacks in New York and Washington next month didn't quite anticipate what's been happening in Tinnie and Roswell.

Questions surrounding activities of High Energy Access Tools Corporation (HEAT, for short) range from unlicensed military warheads to illegal residency by the corporation's president and possibly even unapproved "anti-terrorist" training of military forces from presumably friendly Middle East nations.

All those issues may be resolved positively by Sept. 11, 2002, but right, now with a little imagination, almost anybody could build theories of a reverse nature around HEAT.

Put aliens, thousands of rocket warheads and Persian Gulf military forces into the mix, and all kinds of possibilities crop up — possibilities that would make James Bond's martini shake.

Happily, thanks to Lincoln County Manager Tom Stewart and others with a well-trained nose for possible trouble, federal agencies are taking a very close look at HEAT, in the name of homeland security.

Whatever the outcome, the whole episode, in our own back yard, brings the distant anguish of the World Trade Center much closer to home.

By contrast, consider the alternative

Ah, Ruidoso...such a study in contrasts. Gorgeous in the summer and winter, when clouds and mountains converge to make this mountain land more paradisiacal than ever.

MOUNTAIN ASIDES
KEITH GREEN

And windy in the spring, enough to turn pine cones into hand grenades and fill every gutter in sight with pine needles.

I think fall is best, with its 40-degree temperature swings turning the trees into gold sentinels, and raucous ravens squawking in dismay at something only ravens recognize.

But contrasts in my adopted village aren't limited to weather and landscapes. Consider the human-scape, the variety of people and skills and abodes...

Heck, consider the price of groceries and building lots and stick-built houses.

Depending on where you shop, you can find a fine flank of fresh salmon costing anywhere from $5 to $9 per pound. Tuna steak is even more, catfish and shrimp less.

And restaurant meals are all over the lot, and most are good.

You have to dig a bit, but with some fortitude and an eye on the classifieds and Realtor.com on the Internet, it's possible to find a livable house within a 30-minute commute for considerably less than $100,000. Go into some upscale neighborhoods, of course, and you'll find little for less than $200,000 — built on $50,000 lots.

Contrast Lincoln and Capitan, barely more than a dozen miles apart, but land and residential prices are a world apart. And Lincoln is a town with neither gasoline station nor grocery store...

It reminds me a bit of some upscale Santa Fe neighborhoods, where unpaved streets add to the value of prestigious old adobe houses beside not-very-well-maintained irrigation ditches.

Capitan, meanwhile, struggles with an influx of people and unpaved streets and water problems and lots of trailer parks, and some of the best view lots to be found in the county. And, I might add, a public school system good enough to be an excuse for people to relocate for the sake of their kids' education.

And Carrizozo, lower and warmer, with land and houses cheaper than Lincoln, Capitan or Ruidoso — cheap enough to attract struggling artists and other blithe spirits looking for change and opportunity. Which, of course, means the price of those attractions is going up.

So what's all this rumination of things contrasty about? When I hit town, it seemed that everything here was gorgeous – and expensive – and I wondered if the bubble would burst. It hasn't; somehow, prosperity reigns.

Then, digging through some exchange newspapers the other day, I spotted a front-page story in the *Sangre de Cristo Chronicle*, published in the resort village called Angel Fire, located a mountain pass east of Taos.

That story reported the opening of a new subdivision not far from the ski area, with 2-acre building lots at $165,000 and up.

Now *that* contrast made me appreciate Ruidoso even more, even if both resorts cater mostly to Texans.

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YOUR OPINION

HEAT is feeling the heat in Tinnie, Roswell

To the editor:

HEAT is feeling the heat...

I felt from the beginning that it was a (questionable) operation. On numerous occasions, while at our Arabela ranch this summer, I have heard at least six or eight explosions a day, which have compromised the peace and quiet of the mountains. This, in spite of screaming Air Force jets that travel at the speed of sound that have maneuvers twice a day over the Capitans.

Those explosions made the jets sound like a comforting nuisance instead of a major disturbance.

Hmmmm — to bring in foreign soldiers without the proper immigrant visas at a huge fee for specialized explosive training that may or may not be our allies borders on aiding and abetting the enemy. I still can't believe that the county commissioners in Chaves and Lincoln were so nonchalant in approving these "secret activities" at Tinnie and Roswell — shame, shame for a little tax revenue.

Now we will be known for UFO aliens and other secret ... activities that happen in the high desert of Southeastern New Mexico.

Ernesto Fresquez
Arabela

A worried RHS student

To the editor:

I'm a student at Ruidoso High School. I started school this year expecting to start my senior year and hit the books, but when I came back all my excitement vanished as I noticed something very odd at RHS.

For one, what used to be storage closets and fine arts rooms had now become classrooms and offices.

I noticed that in some of my classes students could not find a place to sit. I saw the teachers asking students to consider schedule changes to lower the amount of people in the class.

Now, teachers asking students to leave? There's something wrong here.

At lunch, there were students still waiting in line when the bell had rung to return to class. Those students did not get to eat. What's going on here?

We have 30-plus kids in a classroom that shouldn't have more then 20. Listen to the teachers.

Now I hear of a new school for the Mescalero students. I hear that it is very large and completely adequate to their needs.

Meanwhile, I am sitting in class being cheated of an education because my teacher cannot meet the demands of the large number of students in the class?

The most obvious solution is to build more classrooms — so why did we get a new auditorium instead? I do not see an easy solution for this, but something needs to be done.

Cory Parkinson
Ruidoso

Be a good neighbor

To the editor:

In response to Mr. Ed Juge wanting to put up one or more radio antenna structures in an already established residence, I say, look around.

As a citizen you have a right to a legal hobby, but to want to force your right on your new "to-be neighbors" is, to say it nicely, rude. Did you, or the realty person who sold you the lot, check first to see if the Home Owners Association would accept your towers?

If not, you screwed up, and we all have, or maybe it was misrepresented... Maybe you want to check that out. Yours is a hobby, not a necessity, at the expense of others.

... I don't live in the area in question, but would not want your antenna near my house either.

Bob Conner
Ruidoso

STREET TALK

QUESTION: Are you spending more or less this year on vacation for lodging, food and souvenirs?

"We come in June and stay until October. We're spending less on food, eating home more."

Gerry Tharp
Mission, Texas, and Ruidoso

"Probably spending more on souvenirs and less on food. Eating out here is less than other places."

Cathy Nellessen
Sun City, Ariz.

"I would say about the same. We've been here several times."

John and Sylvia Brazell
Austin, Texas

SANDY SUGGITT/STAFF

Double hit on Red Cross

To the editor:

Your local Red Cross office was called out Aug. 12 to support Search and Rescue volunteers by providing meals, snacks, drinks and a comfort area.

While getting our vehicle ready to respond we found that the "stinger" that connects the Blazer to our trailer had been stolen. This action by one or more persons caused an unneeded service delay and expense to the Red Cross.

The money required for replacement of the stolen parts could have provided accommodations for one night for a family left homeless by a disaster.

Your local Red Cross office was called upon 38 times last year to provide disaster assistance, 18 of which were single-family fires. While it is bad enough for any vehicle to be vandalized, it is especially disappointing when it affects volunteers who give of their time and energy to help those most in need.

Steve Olson
American Red Cross

Livestock sale bests 2001 totals

BY JULIE CARTER
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

The Junior Livestock Sale at this year's Lincoln County Fair sent a lot of area youth home happy, besting last year's sales total, according to officials.

Lincoln County Extension agent Pete Gnatkowski said the final total this year on the sale topped $78,417. That figure was prior to the add-ons and booster pot still being calculated. Last year's total was around $70,000.

Thanks to generous buyers, businesses and individuals, the youth that qualified for the sale were able to pay their bills and put some away for next year.

The top-selling market steer owned by Chase Montes, Capitan FFA, sold for a fair record of $4/lb to Lincoln County Mercantile and Farmer's Country Market. The 1,300-pound animal was the Grand Champion Market Steer.

The top-selling market swine belonged to Alena Borowski, Carrizozo FFA. The hog was purchased by "Twenty Friends of Matt Borowski," Alena's recently deceased father. The first-place Heavy Cross hog tipped the scale at 245 lbs and brought $15/lb.

Jessica Neal, Lincoln County Fair Queen and Capitan FFA member, had the high-selling market lamb. The Heavy Blackface had placed first in its division and the Capitan Buyer's Club paid $11/lb for the 126-pound animal.

The grand champion Cabrito, owned by J.R. Shafer, Corona FFA, sold to Bob and Jane Shafer for $700. Tying for top Cabrito sale was Erin Hightower, Carrizozo 4-H. She received $700 for her Cabrito goat from Lou Deming of Farm Bureau Insurance.

The grand champion dairy heifer, owned by Steven Chavez of Capitan "C" Mountain 4-H was purchased by Roswell Livestock Supply and Hi Pro Feeds for a total of $3,500.

The reserve champion fruit pie, sold by Bailey Shivers, Carrizozo 4-H, brought $550 from Wayne Shockey, Carrizozo FFA Advisor, and Thomas Montes, fair board member and father to fair kids.

The champion cake made by Samantha Gomez, Hondo FFA, brought $400 from Wells Fargo Bank, Ruidoso.

PHOTO BY JULIE CARTER

Alena Borowski shows her top-selling hog at the county fair.

LCMC names new head of Heritage Program

Lincoln County Medical Center's Heritage Program for Senior Adults recently named Armando Rhoades MS, LMHC as their Program Manager.

Rhoades earned his Master's degree in mental health counseling psychology from Troy State University in Alabama while he completed his 20 years of service in the U.S. Air Force.

He has been a member of the Stress Debriefing Team at Holloman Air Force Base since 1999 and has served as a counselor in the areas of grief, anxiety, depression, bereavement, and emergency room crisis intervention among others.

In a recent interview, Rhoades said, "I'm excited to be working in Ruidoso with a program that reaches out and heals those seniors among us who tend to be forgotten: Those with anxiety, depression, and grieving issues."

The Heritage Program for Senior Adults, an outpatient program of Lincoln County Medical Center, helps local senior adults overcome emotional difficulties. It is located at 101 Raines Road in Ruidoso. For more information about the program or for directions to the office, please call (505) 257-0491.

LINCOLN: Town hopes for lower speed

FROM PAGE 1A

"We drove through this morning. The speed was 35 mph. I believe it would be better to drop down even more."

But the electrical signs may have the greatest impact, he said. Drivers tend to slow down when their speeds are flashed up on a screen for all to see, he said.

Pinon said he hopes to solicit help from other law enforcement agencies, such as the Sheriff's Department, to coordinate manpower during high traffic times.

"Studies tend to take some time and we don't want it to be too late," Commission Chairman Rex Wilson said.

Commissioner Leo Martinez said with construction work starting on U.S. 70 and school beginning in Capitan, warning lights and signs should be posted around the school area and in Lincoln. Lincoln resident Ralph Dunlap said one of the worst times for speeding is from 6 a.m. to 8 a.m. when people pass through going to their jobs.

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BUSINESS BRIEFS

Shoop resigns Chamber board

Members of the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce will soon be voting on new executive board and Economic Development Committee members after the recent resignation of Jim Shoop from both positions.

The board will select three or more candidates soon for the Economic Development Committee, said Patric Pearson, chamber executive director.

A nomination committee will find potential candidates for the open board position.

Gary Colver also resigned his post on the board in June this year after the chamber's awards banquet. The chamber has not yet filled that vacancy.

Shoop resigned last month in a letter stating that he would be focusing on a new business venture and would not be able to give 100 percent attention to his work at the chamber.

"There's a ton of things that need to be done and so few people willing to step forward and do them. I feel bad I don't have the time," he said.

Shoop owned Fly's Etc. for eight years and offered it for sale three months ago. He is operating a construction consulting business.

Wells Fargo Web site tops

Speer & Associates, a financial services consulting firm, announced earlier this month that Wells Fargo's small-business Web site, the Resource Center for Small Business Owners (www.wellsfargo.com/biz) has been named as the top small business site in the Western Hemisphere.

The firm selected Wells Fargo after conducting research on 107 commercial banks in the United States, Canada and major Latin American markets. Each bank was evaluated in terms of business development, value-added services, online deposit account features and products.

Wells Fargo now has some 5,000 small businesses banking online in New Mexico, up 30 percent from a year ago, the study determined.

Valor completes upgrade project

Service improved for eight communities; company payroll increases four-fold

Valor Telecom this week announced the completion of an extensive network modernization program that is providing new technology and services for 30,000 customers in eight New Mexico communities, three of them in Lincoln County.

Chris Valdez, vice president of operations in New Mexico, said Valor collaborated with Siemens, a leading provider of integrated networks, to complete the $6 million project in 10 months.

"Improvements of this magnitude are typically deployed in multiple phases covering several years, but the approach we selected cut the time to months," he said.

The project, involving the communities of Alto, Española, Chama, Chimayo, Cuba, Ruidoso, Ruidoso Downs and Velarde, included state-of-the-art hardware and software provided by Siemens under a program that expedites planning, installation, testing and conversion.

"The results are improved service quality and more sophisticated capabilities that meet customer needs, including advanced voice mail and caller identification options, as well as faster Internet connections, including broadband in most of the areas. Additionally, our operating costs are reduced with the new equipment and systems," Valdez said.

Valdez explained that, in the Ruidoso area, the project included the complete replacement of the main call processor, or switch, and the installation of "smart" remote processors in Alto, Ruidoso Downs and the White Mountain area that work off of the main processor.

Network connections between the communities also were enhanced to increase capacities and accommodate anticipated growth.

In Española, the main call processor was augmented with more capacity and enhanced software, and it was configured with "smart" remote processors in Chimayo, Velarde, Cuba and Chama.

Valdez said the new setup allows Valor to centrally manage the new networks and deploy software enhancements quickly, "which reduces our costs and allows us to easily add new services and features as they become available."

Valor Telecom will celebrate its second anniversary in New Mexico Sept. 1. The privately held company started operations in 2000 after acquiring nearly 300 mainly rural telephone service areas in New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas from GTE (now Verizon).

In New Mexico, Valor has grown from approximately 80 employees to nearly 340 in numerous skilled positions. In the two-year period, the company has provided enhanced calling features in all of its serving areas and recently completed deploying Digital Subscriber Line Internet access technology in 10 communities.

The company also operates retail stores in Española, Carlsbad, Hobbs and Ruidoso, and located two of its three service centers in Española and Carlsbad that serve customers in all three states.

ON TOP OF THE JOB

KEITH GREEN/STAFF

Construction workers have no lack of work in Ruidoso these days. New construction remains far ahead of marks set in 2001. This multi-family project is going up at the intersection of L. L. Davis and Racquet drives, with John Russell as contractor, according to village building permit records.

Jobless rate spikes up, but there's help as close as the telephone

The unemployment rate in New Mexico has spiked up in the past year from 4.6 to 6.2 percent. That, according to the New Mexico Department of Labor, puts the jobless rate at its highest since November 1998

State officials are urging New Mexicans who are seeking jobs to use Jobline, a touch-tone telephone service that lists available jobs throughout the Ruidoso area as well as the rest of the state and nation.

Bill Newroe, coordinator of the NMONE Project with the state Department of Vocational Rehabilitation, says the voice-driven Jobline is especially helpful for those who do not have access to computers.

"Jobline is easy to use, has a lot of good job listings and is free to anyone using a touch-tone phone. Also, it's available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. After you use your touch-tone phone to establish a personal profile, computer prompts are easy to follow as you listen to the job listings that interest you. Information on how to apply for the jobs is also on Jobline," Newroe said.

The toll-free Jobline number is (800) 414-5748.

Newroe said the 22 major job lists on Jobline include food and lodging, farming, fishing and forestry, education and training and clerical and secretarial.

"No matter what kind of job you are looking for, Jobline is an excellent resource to add to your arsenal as you work to leave the ranks of the unemployed," Newroe said.

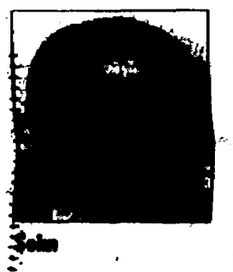
The NMONE Project is charged with getting the word out on Jobline and is funded by the U.S. Department of Labor.

Because Jobline is especially helpful to people with visual disabilities, it is also being sponsored by the New Mexico Commission for the Blind and the National Federation of the Blind.

The Economy and the Markets

Double-dipper victory?

BY SUNG WON SOHN
CHIEF ECONOMIST, WELLS FARGO



Shell-shocked by the stock market crash, both consumers and businesses are cautious about spending, cutting economic growth. Now, annualized economic growth during the second half of the year will only average 2.5 percent instead of 3.5 percent.

Business spending has been the hardest hit. Corporate executives have spent time dealing with accounting and governance issues instead of planning future growth. Capital spending has been postponed or cancelled. Even consumer spending has been adversely affected; the savings rate has been marching up, also limiting economic growth.

However, the double dippers won't have the final say. Economic fundamentals are sound. Thanks to low inflation, and the tax cuts, consumers buying power is up more than 5 percent from a year ago, bolstering home and auto sales. The surge in refinancing activities should boost retail sales.

Employment gains so far in this recovery are comparable to the average of the previous recoveries. Consumer debt adjusted for transactions balances in credit cards are not out of whack. Improving economic outlook, stronger cash flows, higher earnings and a weaker dollar, etc. will eventually boost business spending.

Bonds: A tug of war

The Wells Fargo Bond Valuation Model for 10-year Treasuries shows that the yield should be 4.75 percent based on current economic fundamentals, down from 5.5 percent at the end of the second quarter. The model-generated rate remains well above the actual yield of 4.15 percent today. Actual yields continue to move in lock step with equities.

Fearing mortgage prepayments, financial institutions are hedging mortgage exposures by buying Treasuries, pushing Treasury yields even lower. Once the process begins to unwind, the rubber band could snap back, catching some investors by surprise.

Normally, the yield spreads between AAA Corporates and 10-year Treasuries are small. Not so today, reflecting fear and caution in the marketplace. The credit spreads between lower-rated Corporates and Treasuries have shot up at an exponential rate indicating possible credit crunch.

Under our economic scenario, the unusually high spreads represent opportunities to buy. Specifically, high quality Tax-exempts give both quality and yield. Municipal yields are very attractive even for the investors in lower tax brackets. In addition, the yield curve for Tax-exempts has become so steep that the "roll benefit" – the price increase coming from holding and benefiting from rolling down the steep yield curve over time – is substantial.

Stocks: IRS tells the tale

The markets are finally paying more attention to economic numbers than accounting irregularities. Earnings reports in coming months will make for pleasant reading.

If you can't bring yourself to trust reported earnings, there is the government data collected from the IRS, which offers several advantages. First, it is harder to manipulate the tax data; there is no such thing as pro forma. Second, tax data already treats stock options as an expense. Third, the tax data includes all U.S. firms, not just S&P 500 companies.

According to the IRS data, profits bottomed in the third quarter of 2001 and have jumped since. Our forecast calls for double-digit sequential gains in earnings during the second half of this year.

The stock market seems to repeat the pattern of 1962. A growth recession hurt the market. President Kennedy's demand for steel price rollbacks pulled the market lower. After a period of stabilization, the Cuban Missile Crisis dealt another blow to the market. Subsequently, the market rose 27 percent in the following 12 months and 49 percent in the following 24 months.

These are not investment recommendations. Consult your financial advisers.

Focus on Agriculture

Canada upset by ag origin labeling

BY STEWART TRUELSEN
AMERICAN FARM BUREAU

A provision of the U.S. Farm Bill that received little public attention in this country struck a raw nerve in Canada. It is the requirement that USDA implement a voluntary country of origin labeling program beginning Sept. 30, for meat, fish, fruits, vegetables and peanuts.

Mandatory labeling at the retail level would follow in September 2004. The law does not apply to food service establishments.

For meat products to be labeled as originating from the United States, beef, pork and lamb must be exclusively born, raised and slaughtered here. There is a provision in the law allowing for cattle to be transshipped from Alaska or Hawaii and stop in Canada, but for no more than 60 days.

The American Farm Bureau Federation strongly supports the Country of Origin Labeling (COOL) program because it allows consumers to be better informed and gives them more choices, particularly at the meat counter.

That's exactly what the Canadians don't like. They don't want American consumers lingering at the meat counter deciding whether to buy American or Canadian meat.

So fearful are they that the *Vancouver Sun* in British Columbia carried a three-page article on its business page under the headline "B.C. Ranchers Fight for Survival." Sun reporter Chris Rose says, "Canadian analysts fear (U.S.) stores will eventually stop selling imported beef because the cumulative additional expense of labeling each cut would total many millions of dollars. For the most part, American shoppers could end up buying only U.S. beef."

Last year Canada sold 51 percent of its slaughter cattle, beef and beef products to the U.S. at a cost of $3.3 billion. Presumably that total will drop with country of origin labeling, but there's no guarantee.

American producers will have to continue to produce the most nutritious, best tasting food in the world, or consumers will select imported products.

Canada's beef industry attacks country of origin labeling as a non-tariff trade barrier, but that's not the case. It would be a violation of WTO rules to label products only as "imported." However, it is permissible to label them as to country of origin.

The reason for labeling has nothing to do with slowing farm imports. Concerns about foreign livestock diseases and food safety led to its inclusion in the farm bill. Farm Bureau believes U.S. farmers and ranchers produce the safest products in the world and consumers have the right to be able to identify these products easily. In a letter to the USDA Agricultural Marketing Service, AFBF outlined its ideas for implementation of the labeling provision. Several options may be required for meat products. For example, feeder pigs or cattle born in another country but raised and slaughtered in the U.S. might carry a label that they were processed here. Animals that spent all their time here would be an "exclusive product of the United States."

Canadian fears about the U.S. labeling program seem to be overdone. Besides, there is a two-year voluntary phase during which USDA can make adjustments. In the end, this program should put to rest consumer fears about where their food comes from.

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

RAIN: Summer wet, but still a drought

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you still have a multi-year deficit of 5 inches to 7 inches in places. That's probably why the streams are not responding."

An El Niño, characterized by warmer water in the Pacific bringing more rain, is in effect, but it may be a weak cousin to similar phenomena the area has seen in the past.

Liles explained that he watches two factors in predicting precipitation, the El Niño Southern Oscillation, which includes its counterpart, La Niña, with cooler water and less moisture; and the Pacific Decadal Oscillation, which occurs farther north.

"My feeling is, 'Here comes El Niño,' but let's not get too excited."

Charles Liles
meteorologist

"What I've found, we were in a positive phase of that cycle from 1976 to 1998, which favored New Mexico with precipitation," he said. "Now we're in the negative phase, which will probably last until 2020 to 2025 and New Mexico is not favored with precipitation.

"What I think happens is that El Niño tends to be weaker in the negative phase. It's like these two signals are in conflict and you don't know which one is going to win out, so I have looked also at winter precipitation and I know that historically, during El Niño, it has averaged 125 percent of normal."

However, during the negative phase of the Pacific Decadal, El Niño averages only 90 to 100 percent of normal, Liles said.

"So my feeling is, 'Here comes El Niño,' but let's not get too excited," he said. "If we get a normal winter, we might be doing pretty well."

Liles will be one of the guest speakers during the 47th Annual New Mexico Water Conference, which is called "There's No Doubt We're in a Drought," from Oct. 9-11 at the Ruidoso Convention Center. He is scheduled as the first speaker on Oct. 10 and will be talking about weather signals and events.

'Zozo sub teachers to meet

BY JULIE CARTER
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Carrizozo Municipal Schools Principal, Steve Barron, has announced a meeting Monday at 8:30 a.m. for all substitute teachers and those interested substituting.

The meeting, to be held at the high school, will cover what Barron calls "guidelines for a successful substitute teaching experience."

Persons not yet certified for substituting may pick up the necessary paperwork at that time. The Carrizozo School Board approved a raise in pay for substitutes at the Aug. 20 board meeting.

For further information, call the school at 648-2346.

Carrizozo to request CBDG wastewater plant funds

The Town of Carrizozo has announced plans to ask the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for money to improve its wastewater treatment plant.

The town will request $614,750 as part of a Community Block Development Grant Program on Sept. 9 to implement Phases I and II of improvements to the plant on East 17th Street in Carrizozo, according to a press release.

The improvements will focus on adequate primary treatment, preventing the release of untreated effluent directly into ground water. This is scheduled to include the construction of a new headworks, a bar screen, two new lagoon cells, and the lining of three existing lagoons.

This, along with draining, excavating, plumbing and establishing a land application area for final placement of treated water will allow the town to comply with state discharge requirements, according to the press release.

An environmental review of the project has found no significant impact on the quality of the environment. A copy of the review is available.

Objections made prior to Sept. 9 about the review or grant will be considered by the Town of Carrizozo, according to the release.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Wildland meet cancelled

The August meeting of the Ruidoso Wildland Urban Interface Group scheduled for Tuesday is canceled. The September meeting is set for 9:30 a.m. at the Ruidoso Convention Center on Sept. 24.

Girl Scout event

The Zia Council of Girl Scouts will hold a Girl Scout recruitment night Tuesaday at the White Mountain Elementary School Cafeteria from 6 to 7 p.m. All interested in signing up are invited.

For more information, call (505) 437-2921

FUNERALS DEATHS

Robert K. Cover

A memorial service for the family of Robert Kabel Cover, 65, will be at 4 p.m. Friday, Aug. 23 at LaGrone Funeral Home.

Mr. Cover died on Wednesday, Aug. 21, 2002, at his home in Bent, after a brief illness.

He was born in Winchester, Ind., on July 3, 1937.

He is the son of A. E. "Mike" and Olive Kabel Cover, formerly of Winchester, Ind.

He was a graduate of Winchester High School, Class of 1955. He served in the U. S. Army from 1955 to 1958. He received a BSEE degree from Purdue University in 1964 and was a member of Tau Beta Pi and Eta Kappa Nu honorary societies there. He received an MSEE at University of New Mexico and did further graduate work there. He was also a member of the Winchester Lodge No. 56, F&AM.

While Bob was working for Sandia National Laboratories on Kirtland Air Force Base in Albuquerque, he invented a device called the "Scanning Image Digitizer" in 1967. It was the first time that a video camera was successfully connected to a computer and converted images into a digital picture. Since Sandia is operated for the government, the patent is in public domain and the design was distributed to many companies and universities throughout the world. His device was the forerunner to many of the digital scanners.

Mr. Cover was awarded the title of "Distinguished Member of the Technical Staff" in May 1985, and received an Award of Excellence from the Department of Energy in 1988. He remained as chief engineer at Sandia until 1990, and then accepted the position of chief scientist for data fusion until he retired in 1994.

During his retirement he became a licensed emergency medical technician for the Bent Volunteer Fire Department and worked on his ranch in Bent.

Survivors include his wife, Margaret Clifton Cover, of Bent; sons Nicholas, of Corpus Christi, Texas, and Rex, and his wife, Sheila, of Albuquerque; a daughter, Gayle, of Columbus, Ohio; stepsons Stefan Ikelman of Dallas, Texas, and Danny Ikelman, of West Palm Beach, Fla.; brothers John Cover, and his wife, Beverly, of Albuquerque, and Gene Cover, and his wife, Linda, of Houston, Texas; grandchildren Tiffany, Jessica, Rachel and Adam Cover; and several nephews.

The family suggests that in lieu of flowers donations be made to the American Cancer Society or National Science Foundation.

Bula Bradshaw

Services for Bula Bradshaw, 94, of Ruidoso, were Aug. 16 at Friona Cemetery in Friona, Texas.

Mrs. Bradshaw died Monday, Aug. 12, 2002, at Ruidoso Care Center.

She was born Aug. 1, 1908, in Jones County, Texas.

She married E.H. Bradshaw Dec. 24, 1925 in McCauley, Texas.

Mrs. Bradshaw lived in Ruidoso eight years and was formerly from Friona.

She was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Friona, and a member of WSCS and had been the owner of Splatter Shack in Friona.

Survivors include a daughter, Billie Long, of Ruidoso; sisters Opal Floyd, of Graham, Texas, and Irene Howeth, of Winslow, Ariz.; seven grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, E.H., on Feb. 10, 1980; a son, Eddie Bradshaw in 1968; a daughter, Evelyn Kindred in 1977; and a grandson, Tommy Long in 1989.

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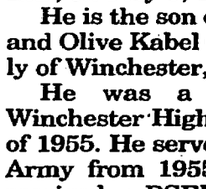
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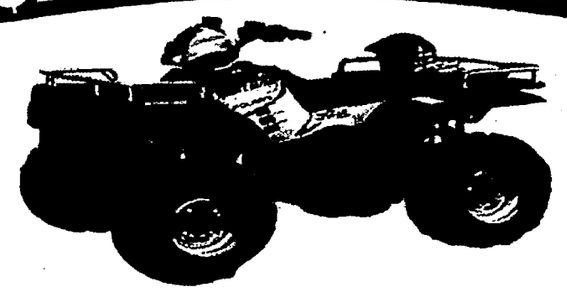
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Repair, maintenance to 'Zozo sewer could be messy situation

BY JULIE CARTER
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Maintenance to a sewer line could could raise a stink, the Carrizozo Board of Trustees heard last week at its regular meeting.

Cathie Eisen discussed a situation on Lava Vista where the old sewer went under four homes and at a depth that made maintenance and repair a major problem. She suggested the city agree to "kill" that line and offer free sewer taps to those residents on a line more accessible.

The council decided to contact the residents with their options and put the issue on the September meeting agenda.

In other business:

• Police Chief Angelo Vega gave an activity report citing income from citations to be $5,666. This income came from 139 citations, the bulk of which were speeding violations. He stated dog license applications have increased 2 percent to include a license for a skunk. Of the 21 cases on the books, 19 have been closed, two are pending and there have been nine arrests.

• Gary Stout, city Web site manager, reported 1,877 visits to the Web site for the month of July. The site is being visited an average of 60 times a day from all over the world, 26 countries total. Stout explained that there is now an additional URL to reach the city Web site via www.visitcarrizozo.org. The original address, http://townofcarrizozo.org, is still an active link.

• The Street Fair was given approval on the requested parade route and permission to hold the fair. Mayor Manuel Hernandez agreed to be Grand Marshall of the parade when invited by fair chairman, Karla Organist.

• Ryan Pritchett of Armstrong Consultants, specialists in airport design, requested approval to submit the paperwork for grants to the federal and state government. Carrizozo has already qualified for $500,000 in grant money for airport improvements, with the city required to provide $5,000 in matching funds. Pritchett also requested RFPs for a consulting engineer. The council approved both requests.

• There were three requests for approval of P&Z recommendations for conditional use to place mobile homes. Esther Harper, Bobby McNatt for his father Larry Dauster, and Pat Baker were all approved. Wayland Hill requested and received approval for a shop building on his property.

• The Carrizozo Fire Department asked approval to purchase a Hurst telescoping 30 Ram used for extricating victims from crashed vehicles. Of the three bids presented, Artesia Fire Dept was low bidder and was accepted by the council.

• A request to use $5,000 from the Lodger's Tax fund for new Christmas decorations was denied. The Christmas decorations are not a tourism item as the luminaria display is, so does not qualify for lodger's tax support.

• The board approved to receive written quotes for new utility software for city hall, approved the planned Carrizoozoo Animal Festival for use of the two city parks, approved the review of monthly financial reports, and expenditures.

• Members approved the appointment of Gary Ecklund to the Planning and Zoning Commission.

RUIDOSO POLICE

Good neighbor?

A Ruidoso police officer driving past a residence in the 100 block of Reese Drive saw a woman on the porch knocking on the door. The officer could hear very loud music coming from inside the residence, so he made contact with the resident, James R. Lott, 19, who said "he was unable to hear anyone knocking on the door because of his music," the report states.

"When Mr. Lott was advised that his music was too loud and his neighbor was knocking on the door, he said he likes music and doesn't care about his neighbors."

Lott was issued a non-traffic citation for unreasonable noise.

Windows shot

The driver's window of a vehicle parked in front of the Back Door, the Knight-Mark Collection, 2808 Sudderth Drive, was shot out with a BB or pellet gun, and a hole was made in the 4-foot-by-5-foot plate glass window of the business between 9 p.m. Tuesday and 9 a.m. Wednesday, according to police reports. A BB or pellet gun broke out another vehicle, parked at 2806 Sudderth Drive, sometime Aug. 20. Police attempted to contact the owner of the vehicle from registration information, but were unable to reach anyone.

Motel window broken

Police report a window broken out at Pines Inn Motel, 620 Sudderth Drive, sometime between Aug. 19 and 20.

Chainsaw found

A chainsaw with a black carrying case that had fallen off what was described as a green Ford crewcab was brought to the Ruidoso Police Department and tagged as evidence for safekeeping at 2 p.m. Wednesday. The chainsaw was found in the 900 block of Sudderth Drive by an unknown male, the report states.

Maxima mix-up

Police report that a 1989 Nissan Maxima was taken from the parking lot of World Automotive, 1021 Mechem Drive, sometime between noon Aug. 12 and Aug. 21. The owner of the vehicle had it towed to World Automotive Aug. 12 and when he noticed it missing later, he assumed the mechanic was having work done it, while the owner of the shop assumed the vehicle owner had picked it up, according to police reports. The four-door Nissan Maxima had a license plate number of CSJ-404.

WEDDINGS ENGAGEMENTS

Hudson-Rogge

Amy A. Hudson, daughter of Kyle and Lisa Hudson of Midland, Texas, and William A. Rogge IV, son of Bill and Debbie Rogge of Ruidoso, were married Saturday, June 22, at the First United Methodist Church of Midland. A reception followed the ceremony at the Hilton in downtown Midland.

The two have made their home in Abilene, Texas, where Amy is currently attending McMurry University. William graduated from McMurry in December 2001 with a bachelor's degree in business, multi-media applications. He is currently employed by McMurry University in the financial aid office.

COURTESY THE ROGGES

Mr. and Mrs. William Rogge IV

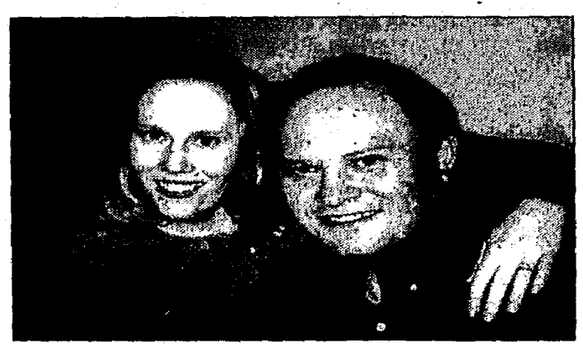
Griffin-Cantu

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Griffin, of Ruidoso, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Deborah Anne, to Ray Cantu, son of Robert and Sylvia Cantu.

Deborah is a graduate of Our Lady of the Lake University and the University of Texas at El Paso. She is a program coordinator with the Texas Building and Procurement Commission.

Ray is a graduate of Texas A&M University and Southwest Texas State. He is a manager with the State Bar of Texas.

The couple plan a Nov. 9 wedding at St. Eleanor Catholic Church in Ruidoso.



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Mr. Martin concluded: "Remember this is a Two Days Only Sale, Saturday & Sunday, August 24th & 25th, from 9 am until the last customer has been served."
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'Zozo Street Fair to honor best blank

Parade, steel-man competition and other activities all part of town's annual Labor Day festival

BY JULIE CARTER
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Organizers of Carrizozo's Labor Day Street Fair want residents to get creative.

A parade planned as part of the festivities will include a "decorate your (blank)" contest. Parade participants are encouraged to use their imaginations and fill in the blank. Entries can be dogs, bikes, wagons, horses, or even the entrants themselves. The best-decorated submission will receive prizes.

The street fair will kick off at 10 a.m. Sept. 2 with the parade. Participants will gather behind the Four Winds Restaurant and proceed down 12th street to McDonald Park.

After the parade, at its termination point, there will be a fencing demonstration. This would be with swords, not barbwire. Fencing students from Socorro will show off their dueling skills with several types of bouts.

Throughout the day at McDonald Park, people can enjoy live music featuring Carrizozo's own Railroad Singers, Marcella and Eddie Garcia, Ron Becker, Pat McCarthy, P. Blake Martin, and Barkin' Weasel.

Children of all ages can enjoy games and activities available in the carnival area.

Last year's John Henry Steel-Man Competition, won by a youth, Jimmy Morris, was such a hit, it is back this year, bigger and better. Divided into two age groups of youth, age 10-15, and adult, entrants will be testing their skills at tie-pulling, spike-driving, coal shoveling, and more railroad antics.

The Carrizozo Street Fair is also proud to bring the Matachin dance group, Danza Matachin Pavo Real, from Clint, Texas, to perform their colorful and beautiful dance.

Local artists and crafters will be in attendance, along with plenty of food and beverage options. A silent auction and children's painting auction is included in the day's activities.

Don't forget the pre-parade pancake breakfast, sponsored by the Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce. Held at the Carrizozo Recreation Center from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m., the breakfast is an all you can eat for $5 per person.

For street fair booth or other information, contact Karla Organist at 648-5637.

Tips offered to keep credit card info safe

BY OFFICER JOSE SALAZAR
NEW MEXICO STATE POLICE

As law enforcement officers, we are routinely called to investigate credit card theft and fraud. We would like to remind everybody that there are some simple steps you can take to protect yourself from becoming a victim of credit card theft.

1. If you use your credit card on the Internet, be sure the site you are on is secure.

2. If you lose a credit card, cancel it immediately and monitor your account closely to make sure nobody has got a hold of your account number.

3. Do not keep the pin number for your credit card anywhere near the card. The number should be memorized.

4. If you use your credit card at an establishment in which the receipt contains a carbon copy, do not allow that carbon to be thrown in the garbage without being destroyed. It is very easy to obtain the account number off of the carbon.

5. Upon receiving your credit card statement, be sure the envelope has not been tampered with.

6. When disposing of a credit card statement, be sure to shred the statement thoroughly.

7. Check your credit history regularly to ensure nobody has opened unauthorized accounts in your name.

Credit card thieves regularly go through people's garbage and mail to obtain account information on credit cards. Always take steps to protect yourself.

This is part of a recurring series of articles from the New Mexico State Police.

Tour to highlight Hondo prehistoric site

■ The tour is a follow-up to the U.S. 70 widening project open house, to be held Sept. 6.

A tour to inform the public about the archaeology of the Hondo Valley will include a stop at an excavated prehistoric site on Sept. 7.

The tour will be a follow-up to an open house on the U.S. 70 widening project from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Sept. 6, at the Hondo School complex. Directions to archaeological tour will be provided at the open house.

Before the Hondo Valley became a farming and ranching community, it was occupied by hunter-gatherer groups who lived in temporary brush shelters. During the planning stage of the U.S. 70 Hondo Valley design/build project, cultural resource surveys were conducted along the project corridor which resulted in the discovery of 24 archaeological sites, five of which were excavated in advance of the U.S. 70 project.

These archaeological sites range in age from 5,000 to 800 years old, representing the Archaic and Mogollon Native American cultures. They extended to the middle 1800s, representing the earliest Hispanic occupants of the Hondo Valley.

Prior to these investigations, very little was known about the archaeological cultures of the Hondo Valley, and the area was considered to be on the distant "outskirts" of significant prehistoric occupation.

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Antelope permit party also acts as fundraiser

BY JULIE CARTER
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

The Carrizozo Masonic Lodge will host its 7th Annual Pronghorn Party Saturday. The event is one of several the lodge promotes to build their charitable fund, but is their biggest money producer.

The fund provides for the scholarships the lodge gives as well as donations to such institutions as the Senior Citizens Center and the Lincoln County Fair.

Started in 1996, the first antelope permit was won by Robert Guevara of Carrizozo. The antelope Guevara bagged set a new state record and was third in the world, scoring 91 1/4 points. Subsequent years saw permit winners making Boone and Crocket kills regularly.

This year in addition to selling chances on an Antelope permit, donated by Bob Shafer, Carrizozo, there will be a chance to win an Oryx permit, donated by Jim Grider of Carrizozo. Chances will sell for $5 each with no limit on the number of purchases. Chances will be sold only to those present at the Carrizozo Country Club on Saturday night. Cost at the door will be $25 per couple.

Those attending will be served a rib eye steak dinner with all the trimmings and then treated to an old time country-dance. Music will be live, with fiddlers, piano and guitar. Dinner will be served at 6 p.m.

For more information, you can contact Johnson Stearns at 648-2878 or Mike Shivers at 648-2301.

Reward offered in hunt for wolf killers

Rewards are being offered by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for information leading to the conviction of the individuals who killed three wolves in November and December.

Since Mexican gray wolf packs were released into wilderness areas in Arizona and New Mexico starting in 1998, four other wolves were found dead from gunshot wounds and the investigations into those deaths also remain open, according to information from Victoria Fox, a spokesman for the reintroduction project.

The agency is offering $10,000 and the center for Biological Diversity added another $5,000.

The wolves shot most recently were:

• The Lupine Pack alpha female, found dead on Nov. 15 near Maverick Mountain on the White Mountain Apache Reservation

• A Saddle Pack yearling female found dead from gunshot wounds on Nov. 5 near Forest Road 117 south of Highway 60 in the Greens Peak area near Vernon

• A Lupine yearling male found dead Dec. 3, about 18 miles northwest of Springerville, Ariz., south of Highway 60 in Apache Country, Ariz.

The wolves found previously dead from gunshot wounds were a Campbell Blue alpha female on Aug. 7, 1998, in the Williams Valley area near Alpine, Ariz.; a Hawk's Nest male found Nov. 7, 1998, near the Arizona/New Mexico state line; a Hawk's Nest male found Nov. 23, 1998 on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation; and a Francisco yearling male found Dec. 18, 2000, north of Highway 12 in the Apache National Forest's Divide wood cutting area near Aragon.

Anyone with information should call the service's special agents in Mesa, Ariz., at (480) 835-8289 or Pinetop at (928) 367-5689; the White Mountain Apache Tribe at (928) 338-1023 or (928) 338-4385; the Arizona Game and Fish Operation Game Thief at 1-800-352-0700 or the New Mexico Game and Fish Department Operation Game Thief at 1-800-432-4263.

Alcoholics Anonymous
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This year's Ruidoso High football team is hoping to

MAKE SOME NOISE

BY TODD FUQUA
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

A new coach and virtually new team take to the field Saturday morning, as the Ruidoso High School football squad sees its first live competition in a scrimmage against Los Lunas and Goddard.

The 10 a.m. start at Horton Stadium comes after an intense few weeks of practice, which culminated in last week's Blue and Gold scrimmage.

For new head coach Ridge Bowden, the verdict is still out on that practice.

"The defense was right where we expected, they were aggressive and swarming to the ball," Bowden said. "That's not just the first team, that's how the defense was playing all the way down to the third team."

As for the offense, well, things still need to change.

"There were a few bright spots, but they're usually a little behind the defense at this time," Bowden said. "We knew this going into the scrimmage."

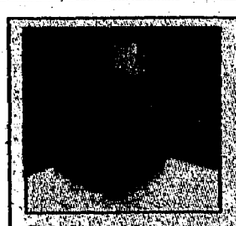
That played out during the intersquad practice last week, as the offense couldn't get a steady drive going, and only got close to the goal line or scored on big plays.

Bowden, at the helm in his first year as head coach at Ruidoso High, hopes that doesn't play out in their first game at Las Vegas Robertson Aug. 30.

That offense will be primarily based on the run, with Josh Adams leading the way at quarterback. While running the triple option last year, Adams had 963 yards on 146 carries to lead the team on the ground.

He'll have seniors Tyler Line and Tim Lucero to hand off to in that offense. The pair combined for 265 yards last season.

Passing won't be out of the question, however.



Head coach: Ridge Bowden (1st year)
Assistant coaches: Kel Johnson, Jerrett Perry, Cody Patterson, Billy Page, Jim Varnadore, Michael Swanner, Lance Ekerd (freshman coach).
2001 Record: 5-5, 1-3 in District 4-3A

Returning

2002 Players to Watch

Name	Grade	Pos.
Tyler Line	12	RB/S
Josh Adams	12	QB
Tim Lucero	12	RB
Chance Hooper	11	WR
Steven Stroop	12	WR/CB
Jeremy Pritchet	12	WR/S

2001 Leading Rushers

Name	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Josh Adams	146	963	6.6	9
Brandon Brumlow	88	506	5.8	5
Daryll Bagley	42	248	5.9	4
Tyler Line	33	207	6.3	4

2001 Leading Receivers

Name	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
Phillip Darley	18	344	19.1	5
Daryll Bagley	12	161	13.4	0
Nathaniel Hedin	10	138	13.8	3
Tyler Line	8	70	8.75	0
Steven Stroop	4	68	17.0	2

TODD FUQUA/STAFF

Coach Ridge Bowden addresses his team before the Blue and Gold scrimmage last week at Horton Stadium. The Warriors host Los Lunas and Goddard in a scrimmage Saturday morning at 10 a.m. and open their season Aug. 30 at Las Vegas Robertson.

Bowden came to Ruidoso from Artesia three years ago, where he coached under former RHS head coach Cooper Henderson.

Henderson's teams have always been defined by the pass, and Bowden is hoping to emulate some of that this season.

Junior Chance Hooper and senior Steven Stroop are two tall receivers that should be able to pick up any pass thrown by Adams, and will be complimented in the flat by Line, Casey Wagnon and Jeremy Pritchet.

But for all the talent Ruidoso possesses, there's a lot they've lost to graduation.

Brandon Brumlow, Daryll Bagley, Nathaniel Hedin and Phillip Darley were a fearsome foursome for the Warrior offense, and all are now gone.

"We have 18 seniors out of 48 players," Bowden said. "You always want to have as many seniors as you can for team leadership and maturity, but there are some young guys that can step up if needed."

Case in point is sophomore Casey Mirau, who went into the scrimmage last week when Line was taken off the field with an ankle injury and performed well.

That ability for the younger players to step in when needed will be crucial when it comes to the offensive line. There are only two returning starters in David Rice and Dusty Bolden, and

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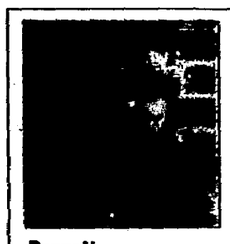
Lady Warriors aiming for another shot at state title



Bennett

Head coach: Maria Bennett (1st year at Ruidoso, 26th year overall)
Assistant coaches: Brigid Herrera (junior varsity), Bobbi Graham (c-team).
2001 Record: 10-12 overall, 4-2 in District 4-3A. Finished second to Portales at the State 3A tournament.

Ruidoso High School
2002 Volleyball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Aug. 24	Artesia (Scrimmage)	Away	TBA
Aug. 27	Oñate	Away	6 p.m.
Aug. 30-31	Clovis Tourney	Away	TBA
Sept. 3	Artesia	Away	7 p.m.
Sept. 7	Carlsbad	Away	2 p.m.
Sept. 10	Moriarty	Home	7 p.m.
Sept. 13-14	Zia Tourney	Away	TBA
Sept. 17	Artesia	Home	7 p.m.
Sept. 21	Socorro	Away	2 p.m.
Sept. 24	Santa Teresa	Home	7 p.m.
Sept. 26	Socorro	Home	7 p.m.
Sept. 28	Robertson	Away	4 p.m.
Oct. 5	Portales*	Home	4 p.m.
Oct. 12	Lovington*	Away	7 p.m.
Oct. 19	Portales*	Away	4 p.m.
Oct. 26	Lovington*	Home	7 p.m.

*Denotes District 4-3A game

BY TODD FUQUA
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Things aren't always what they seem, and this year's Ruidoso volleyball team is a perfect example.

The Lady Warriors have eight seniors, a head coach with 25 years coaching experience and are coming off a season in which they finished second in the Class 3A tournament.

Add all that up, and Ruidoso is a cinch to get back to the championship, right?

Well...

"I do have eight seniors, but two or three of them did not play last year," said Ruidoso coach Maria Bennett. "I guess the least experienced we have are setters at the varsity level. All the setters they had graduated."

Setters like Tania Sanchez and Mara Justus. And let's not forget Carrie Line, who will be playing volleyball this year on scholarship at Lubbock Christian University.

No problem, Bennett may be in her first year at Ruidoso High, but she spent 25 years before that coaching Hot Springs High School in Truth Or Consequences.

All that experience will more than make up for a lack of experience among the players, right?

Well...

Bennett has actually been out of coaching for the past three years, having retired from Hot Springs and moving to the area when her husband, Ron, became the principal at Ruidoso Middle School.

Instead of coaching, Bennett has been teaching social studies at Camp Sierra Blanca, and the extent of her athletic involvement has been recreational activities.

She took the job at RHS mainly to coordinate her vacations with her husband's, and knows she's got a challenge to get the Lady Warriors back to the state tournament. While she feels the team has been learning the game well, the jury is still out on their progress until they scrimmage at Artesia on Saturday.

"I have 14 kids at the varsity level right now, and I can only have 12," Bennett said. "There's a couple that will be playing at the junior varsity level. It all depends on how they do there and how the younger varsity players perform."

The Lady Warriors have a good compliment of hitters, all big and strong. Seniors Tamara Grant, Rachel Loya and sophomores Jessica Gibson and Charli Krause can all get up at the net and slam it down.

But without proper sets, there will be no hitting.

"The setter in volleyball is like a quarterback," Bennett said. "Setting is the key."

Sophomores Christine Brown and Ervina Herrera are trying to fill the setting position this season, along with senior Aimee Powers

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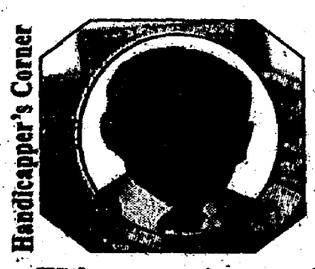
Bet small and win big: Horse racing has quite a comparative return



Handicapper's Corner

Dale Wood
"The Ole Radio Man""

With our seminars, radio broadcasts and tip sheet, we try to guide the fans in the right direction. I advise those who want to wager at the track to acquire knowledge, or have access to someone who does. Have an appropriate bankroll and be disciplined in money management.

It you're going to bet, bet small amounts of money, trying to win larger amounts. Horse racing is the only gambling game that allows that. If you bet $10 on the come line at the dice table and you win, you get $10 back. With blackjack, you get 1 1/2 times what you bet. Bet $2, get a blackjack and you get $3.50 back. It's that way now — it's going to be that way until they change the rules.

There isn't a game in Las Vegas that pays as well as horse racing and has its opportunity to win. I know that I can bet $10 on a horse and maybe get back $100 if I pick the right horse at the right odds. It's a good gambling game, if you know how to play.

Now let's start by accepting the fact that everything is possible in a horse race. Nothing is certain except the unexpected happens more often than the expected.

The most predictable fact is that the favorite horse — horse with the most money bet on it to win — wins about 30 to 35 percent of the time. This is the highest and most predictable figure we keep records on. However, if you bet the favorite horse in every race you will still lose money because the return on the dollar will seldom offset your total amount wagered.

Other percentages important to remember are, the leading trainer will win about 20 to 25 percent of the races he starts a horse in and the leading jockey will win about that same percentage.

It's important to have the horse you like, ridden and trained by the leading trainer and rider, but remember, they win less than 25 percent of the time. When I hear someone say they are betting on a horse because of the jockey or trainer, I always remind myself that the horse is running and not the trainer or jockey.

You hear people around the track talk about the morning line, but few know what it really is. It's not another person's opinion as to the winner of a race. Instead, a paid race official tries to predict how the public will bet a particular race.

If the odds in the program are 5-2, the racing official believes the horse will have final odds in the 5-2 range. The odds can vary from as low as 2-5 to as high as 30-1.

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Sports on Tap

Friday, Aug. 23
Horse Racing
Thoroughbred and quarter horse claiming, maiden and allowance racing at Ruidoso Downs, 1 p.m.
Football
Capitan scrimmage vs. Dexter, 6 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 24
Horse Racing
Thoroughbred and quarter horse claiming, maiden and allowance racing at Ruidoso Downs, 1 p.m.
Football
Ruidoso scrimmage vs. Los Lunas and Goddard at Horton Stadium, 10 a.m.
Volleyball
Ruidoso scrimmage at Artesia
Carrizozo scrimmage vs. Hondo, Mountainair

Sunday, Aug. 25
Horse Racing
AQHA Professional's Choice Claiming at Ruidoso Downs, 1 p.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 27
Volleyball
Ruidoso at Las Cruces Oñate, 6 p.m.

On Deck

Little League Football Registration
Lincoln County Little League Football invites all students ages 7-12 to register for the 2002 football season. Registration will be held tonight and Thursday from 6-8 p.m. at the White Mountain Elementary cafeteria.
Registration is $50 per child and $40 for additional siblings. Late sign-ups and tryouts will be held Aug. 24 on the soccer fields by White Mountain Elementary from 8-9 a.m. For more information, call 420-3540.

Youth Soccer Sign Up
Sign up days for the Lincoln County Youth Soccer League will be held at the White Mountain Elementary cafeteria Aug. 24 from 9 a.m.-noon and Tuesday, Aug. 27 from 5:30-7 p.m. Any child who wishes to play must have shin guards, shors or sweat pants and a ball. Cleats are optional but recommended.
Cost to register for the fall season, which runs from Sept. 14 through Nov. 9, is $40, and there will be no late registration. For more information, call Kala Scarfiotti at 354-8107.

Ski Apache Gearing Up
With the ski season closer than most might think, Ski Apache has announced that their "locals special," the Individual weekday season pass, has been reduced in price from $325 to just $200. This pass allows skiing on all weekdays of the season except six peak weekdays. The value is that much greater because the daily lift ticket is going up to $45.
Pass categories are priced as follows for the 2002-2003 season:
Adult — 19-61 yrs. (good everyday of the season) $450
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Peak weekdays this season will be Dec. 26, 27, 30, 31, 2002 and March 11-12, 2003. Season passes to Ski Apache for the 2002-2003 season may be purchased at any time. Book on-line at www.skiapache.com or call 505-336-4356.

Big Boys

NCAA Football
Saturday, Aug. 24
New Mexico at North Carolina St., 2:30 p.m.

Record number of senior New Mexicans headed to national games

■ Lincoln County participants got 75 total awards at the state games, held at New Mexcio State University.

LAS CRUCES — New Mexico will be sending a record 1,196 athletes to the bi-annual Senior Olympics, to be held next summer.

Nearly 1,700 would-be Olympians competed at the 2002 New Mexico Senior Olympic Games, held Aug. 7-11 in Las Cruces. More than 75 percent of them will make the trip to Hampton, Va., for the national games May 26 through June 9, 2003.

Athletes age 50 and older from around the state took part in 26 sports at the New Mexico State University earlier this month. Lincoln County sent 31 men and women to the games. They competed in bowling, cycling, golf, basketball, free throw, table tennis, racewalk, recreational events, shuffleboard and track and field.

All but one shared in earning 17 gold medals, 12 silvers, 21 bronzes, as well as eight fourth-place ribbons and 17 fifth-place ribbons.

Top gold medal winners were Jerry Longbotham of Angus, who swept all five cycling events in his age group, Yvonne Lanelli of Alto, with two in table tennis, Floyd Danielson of Capitan, with two wins in recreational events, Christopher Carusona of Ruidoso Downs, with two golds in field events, and Bart Young of Ruidoso, with three wins in recreational events.

In addition, bowler Lucy Servies of Ruidoso won the scratch singles for her age group with an excellent 561 series, and the veteran Carrizozo pair bowlers, Barbara Ward and Dorothy Payne, won the gold for their age group.

Overall, it was a successful Olympics for the Lincoln County group, earning 50 medals and 25 ribbons. Young led the awards with a total of eight, and 11 local athletes qualified for the national 2003 games, including Carusona, Lanelli, Longbotham, Payne, Servies, Ward, Young, Cindy Sanchez of Nogal, Martha Chavez of Angus, Galen Farrington of Ruidoso, and Mary Young of Ruidoso.

To compete at the state level, athletes must first qualify at their local games. For information on Senior Olympics, call county coordinator Bart Young at 257-3193.

McDougal places first, second at tournament

LOS ALAMOS — Ruidoso High School freshman Heather McDougal put another feather in her tennis cap recently, winning the girls 14 doubles championship trophy at the Los Alamos Junior Tennis Tournament.

McDougal

She and teammate Nicole Laferriere of Las Cruces defeated the Taos team of Kylee Kenward and Stacy Blish 6-2 6-0 in the final match.

McDougal placed second in singles, losing to Laferriere 7-6, 6-4. Prior to that final, McDougal won over Alyssa Larsen of Farmington 6-0, 6-0 and Kseniya Gavrilov of Los Alamos 6-4, 6-3.

In reaching the doubles final, McDougal and Laferriere defeated Larsen and Gavrilov 6-0, 6-0.

The next tournament on McDougal's schedule is the New Mexico Junior Open in Albuquerque Aug. 30-Sept. 1, where she will complete her division play as a 14-year-old.

VOLLEYBALL: Lady Warriors ready for return state appearance

FROM PAGE 1B

and junior Erin Nutting.

Defensively, Ruidoso looks strong, with back row specialists like Jessica Candelaria and Jenna Carrasco back from last year.

But the team hasn't had much time to gel, meaning Bennett is running each practice with a great deal of intensity — going non-stop for two hours, no breaks.

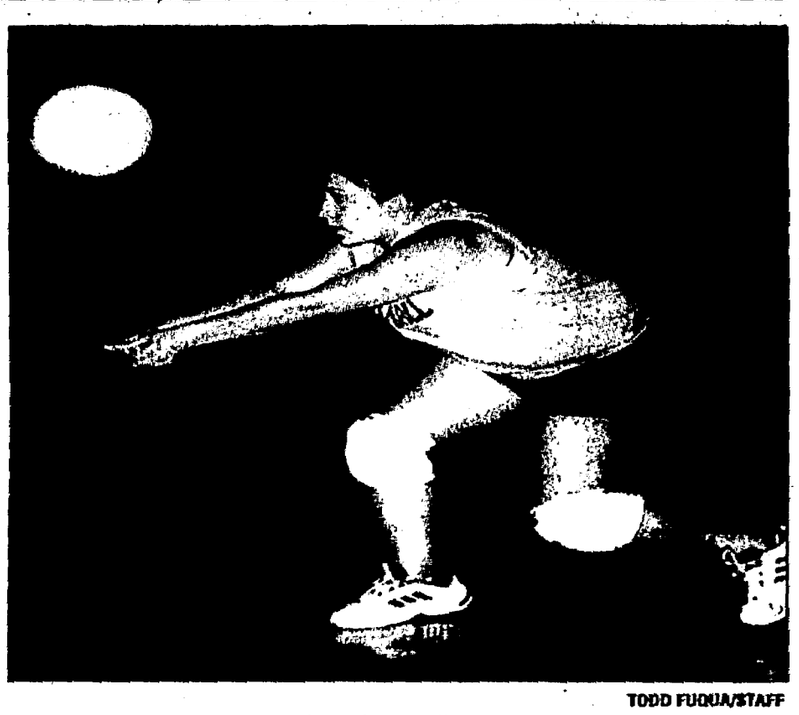
"I want to get as much out of it as I can," Bennett said. "I had only two weeks to prepare them for the scrimmage — teaching them the rotations and switches, things like that."

The Lady Warriors start their season Tuesday at Las Cruces Oñate, then spend the next month playing games in preparation for their District 4-3A schedule.

That schedule is severely truncated with the departure of Santa Teresa to Class 4A. Ruidoso has but two opponents left — Lovington and Portales.

Portales defeated the Lady Warriors last year for their second straight state championship, and Lovington was at the state tournament the year before that. It's some stiff competition, made tougher by the odd schedule which only allows each team one game a week.

"That really hurts us — waiting the whole week, practicing all the time before playing another game," Bennett said. "That can be rough, but all teams are in the same boat."



TODD FUQUA/STAFF

Jessica Candelaria gets down for the dig during volleyball practice Thursday at Ruidoso High School. The Lady Warriors play in a scrimmage Saturday at Artesia and open their regular season with a match at Las Cruces Oñate Tuesday.

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TODD FUQUA/STAFF

Running will be a big part of the Ruidoso offense this year, as evidenced during their intrasquad scrimmage last weekend at Horton Stadium.

RHS: Warriors young but hungry in 4-3A

FROM PAGE 1B

Bowden pointed to only two others with experience in Chase Forest and Jordan Torres.

Whatever weakness is shown in the offense will be offset by the defense.

"We have good strength in the secondary and linebackers," Bowden said.

Rice will be moving in the defensive line from tackle to end, while Lucero and Jess Shendo will be in at linebacker and Pritchet, Line and Stroop will hold down the secondary.

The goals for that defense are simple: Get to the ball.

"I'm really happy with the defense, and I hope they get better each week," Bowden said of the Blue and Gold scrimmage. "I want to see eight people get to the ball each time."

That defense will be crucial when it comes to Ruidoso's schedule, which features a number of stiff competitors before facing up to their District 4-3A opponents.

Beginning with Robertson, the Warriors later play Class 4A competitors Moriarty and Deming, Cobre (Class 3A runner up two years ago), and last year's Class 3A runner up St. Michael's.

District 4-3A is always the toughest in the state, and it's arguable that it only became tougher this year. Gone is Santa Teresa — the only district team to lose to the Warriors last season, now making the jump to Class 4A — and joining the district is New Mexico Military Institute.

NMMI had always played Ruidoso and every other member of the district, but only as an independent, due to New Mexico Activity Association eligibility rules for boarding schools.

But that restriction has been lifted, and the Colts will be throwing their considerable talent into the fray.

"It's hard to tell with NMMI," Bowden said. "You never know who they'll have back next year."

If NMMI had been a full member last season, they — not Portales — would have headed to the Class 3A playoffs as the district runner up.

Portales will likely be a big obstacle in the district as well, but all will be chasing two-time defending state champion Lovington.

"You've got to say Lovington is at the top of the pack," Bowden said. "But as long as we're healthy, we should stay in the hunt."

Ruidoso High School 2002 Football Schedule

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Aug. 24	scrimmage	Home	10 a.m.
Aug. 30	Robertson	Away	7 p.m.
Sept. 6	Socorro	Home	7 p.m.
Sept. 13	Moriarty	Away	7 p.m.
Sept. 20	Silver	Home	7 p.m.
Sept. 27	Cobre	Away	7 p.m.
Oct. 4	St. Michaels	Home	7 p.m.
Oct. 18	Deming	Away	7 p.m.
Oct. 25	NMMI*	Away	7 p.m.
Nov. 1	Lovington*	Home	7 p.m.
Nov. 8	Portales*	Away	7 p.m.

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Ruidoso Mixed Sale Bucks National Trend With Solid Increases

BY KRISTIAN LOVELACE
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

The Ruidoso Thoroughbred and Quarter Horse Mixed Sale bucked the national trend by posting solid increases in total volume and average per horse sale price Aug. 15-17 at Ruidoso Downs Race Track and Casino.

"Most sales have seen declines this year from last year so we were particularly pleased with the results of this mixed sale," said Ruidoso Downs Race Track President Bruce Rimbo. "The number of horses that went through the ring increased by nearly 75 percent and yet our averages were still up. It's a very strong indication of the strength of the New Mexico racing business at this time."

The number of horses that sold increased from 338 in 2001 to 583 in 2002. Total sales nearly doubled from $2,044,600 to $3,961,200 and the per horse average increased more than 12 percent from $6,049 in 2001 to $6,794 in 2002.

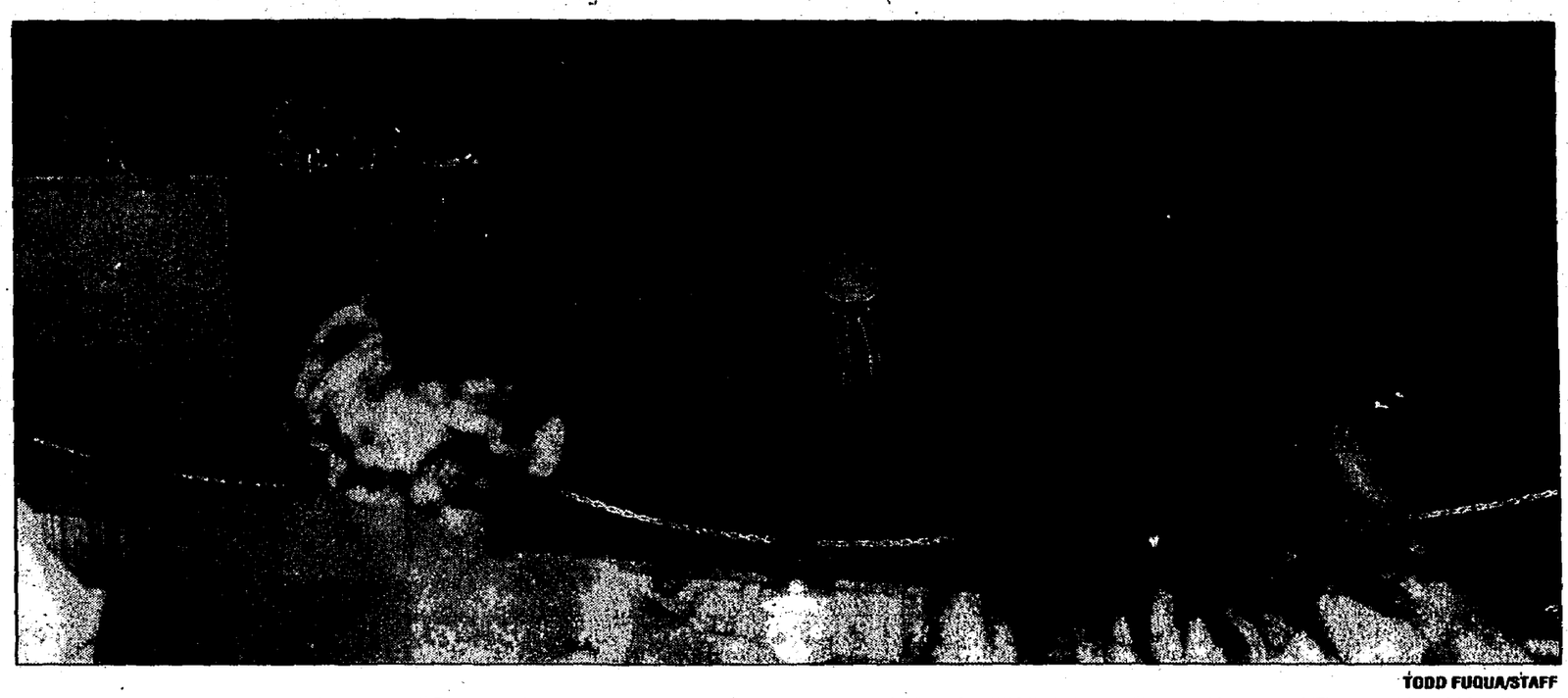
The New Mexico bred quarter horse yearling market was particularly strong. A total of 258 horses passed through the ring in that section, compared to last year's 80 and the average increased by 66 percent, going from $4,686 in 2001 to $7,798 in 2002. For the first time, a $500,000 bonus accompanies any sale graduate that sweeps the New Mexico Spring Futurity at Sunland Park, the Zia Futurity at Ruidoso and the Shue Fly Stakes at Sunland Park. The bonus is co-sponsored by the Ruidoso Horse Sales Company and Sunland Park Race Track and Casino.

Perhaps even more impressive was the fact that the middle range of horses selling held up very strongly. There were 71 horses that attracted bids of $15,000 or more compared with 27 last year and 112 head which attraced bids of $10,000 or more compared with 49 last year. Repurchases were 33.1 percent which was only slightly higher than last year's 29.8 percent.

The highest bid came from Henry Brown of Mesa, Ariz., who purchased a yearling quarter horse colt by Dash Ta Fame out of the $93,000 stakes winner Accusatory for $77,000. The colt was consigned by Double L Farm.

The highest thoroughbred purchase came when Pat Sorrells paid $70,000 for a yearling colt by Ghostly Moves out of stakes-producing Ivan's B.G. The colt was also consigned by Double L Farms.

Stan Fulton, owner of Sunland Park Race Track and Casino and a resident of Las Vegas, Nev., paid $60,000 for a half-brother to stakes winning Thoroughbred Star Smasher, a winner of more than $250,000. The colt is also by Ghostly Moves and was consigned to the sale by V.J. Callaway.



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One of hundreds of quarter horses and Thoroughbreds is led through the sports arena during the 2002 Ruidoso Quarter Horse and Thoroughbred Yearling and Mixed Sale last weekend. The sale saw steady increases in both the number of horses and amount paid for each equine.

2002
Top Sellers
Quarter Horse Yearlings

Hip #	Breeding	Buyer	Price
39	Dash Ta Fame-Accusatory	Henry Brown	$77,000
182	Dean Miracle-Moons High	VL Livestock	$50,000
197	Dean Miracle-Rimes Bouquet	Pierre and Leslie Amestoy	$50,000
222	Dean Miracle-Smart ARQ Lady	Nick Morris	$50,000
225	Major Rime-Some Kinda Streaker	SMS Racing	$50,000
152	Dean Miracle-Miss Dial A Coin	Running E Quarter Horses	$45,000
55	Dean Miracle-Buds Beduino	SMS Racing	$38,000
113	Major Rime-Here In My Heart	Mike Levi	$37,000
185	Dean Miracle-Pocketful of Dreams	SMS Racing	$36,000
69	Dash Ta Fame-Casino Lights	Mike Joiner	$30,000

Thoroughbred Yearlings

342	Ghostly Moves-Ivan's B.G.	Pat Sorrells	$70,000
473	Ghostly Moves-Some Smash	Stan Fulton	$60,000
423	Ghostly Moves-Be Mindful	Kirk Robison	$50,000
325	Devon Lane-Faint Prospect	Molly Morris	$50,000
397	Devon Lane-Sal Vidas	Nick & Molly Morris/R.D. Hubbard	$41,000
433	Marquetry-Cody's Sister	W.A. Kennedy	$32,000
386	Devon Lane-Video Mania	Molly Morris	$30,000
324	Jack Wilson-Evie M.	Steve & Paul Prather	$30,000
457	Apollo-Olde Elegance	Wardlaw Ranch/McCasland Ranch	$29,500

AA Derby qualifier dies after trials race

Dont Dink With Me, the runner-up in this year's Governor's Cup and El Primero del Ano derbies, died Aug. 16 at Ruidoso Downs shortly after he'd posted the ninth-fastest qualifying time to this year's All American Derby.

A Chicks Beduino colt racing for Loretta Loebs of Wilton, Calif., Dont Dink With Me was making his first start outside California in the All American trials. He ran second in his heat, a head behind sixth-fastest qualifier First Down Dandy. Dont Dink With Me ended his racing career with four wins in 15 starts and earnings of $161,950. As a 2-year-old, he ran second to Sassy Smith in the Kindergarten Futurity.

According to trainer Scott Willoughby, Dont Dink With Me's death was caused by an aneurysm.

"He was getting a little short at the end of his trial, and he still qualified even though he didn't even really run the last 20 to 30 yards," said Willoughby. "We didn't do an autopsy on him, but we had our vet check him out and he said his death was caused by an aneurysm.

"He was doing better than I'd ever seen him," he added. "He'd really blossomed at Ruidoso — he'd put on weight and was training good. We were looking for big things from him this year."

Bred by Eddie Garcia, Dont Dink With Me was one of two starters produced by Fames Easy, a winning daughter of Dash Ta Fame. The colt's half brother, the Apollo colt Doreme Fasolasi Win, recorded the 16th fastest qualifying time to the All American Futurity and is eligible to race in the $200,000. All American Futurity Juvenile on Sept. 2.

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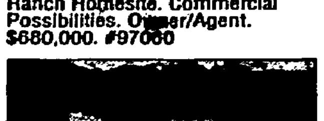

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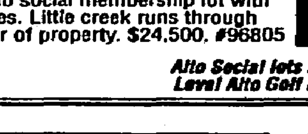

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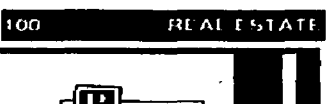

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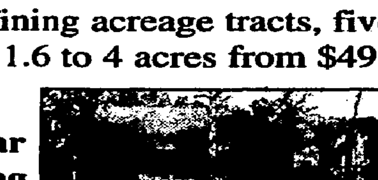
Big Views  MLS# 97269

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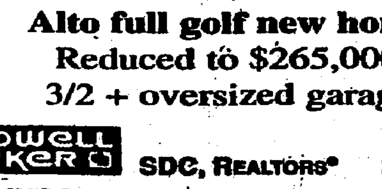
Cedar Siding  MLS# 95737

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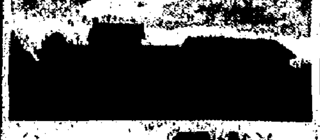

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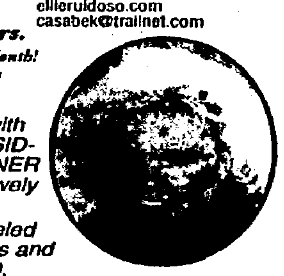

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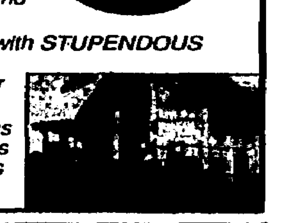

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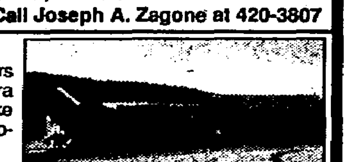

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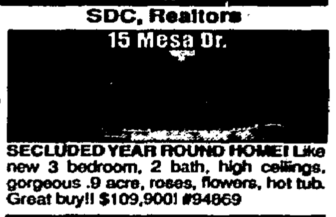

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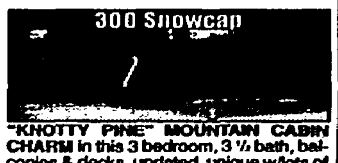

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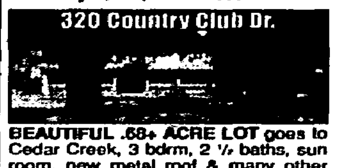

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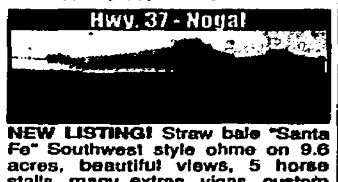

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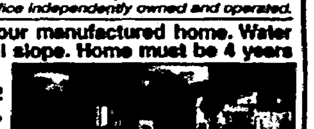
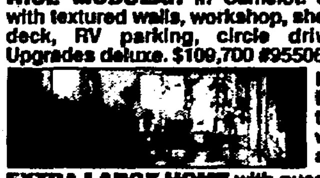
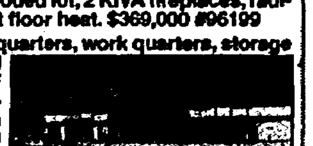




BEAUTIFUL HOME IN THE MEADOWS! Santa Fe architecture. 3/3 with marble tile, 1/2 acre wooded lot, 2 KIVA fireplaces, radiant floor heat. $369,000 #96199

EXTRA LARGE HOME with guest quarters, work quarters, storage areas, double garage and CUSTOM WOODWORK throughout! 5900 SF offered at $416,000 as is (NEW CONSTRUCTION) and on 2.5 acres in restricted rural subdivision. 4/4 and SO MUCH MORE! #97243



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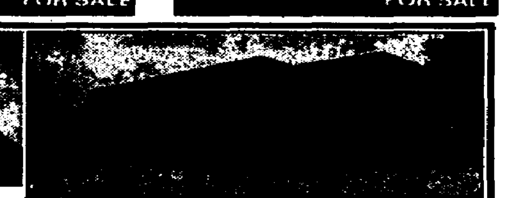

8.7 acres in Bent, NM, 22 miles from Ruidoso near U.S. 70. Features well with irrigation, barn, guest house with redwood deck and workshop. Main house is 1800 sq ft, 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath with 48 ft redwood deck with view of Sierra Blanca. THIS PROPERTY ADJOINS THE NATIONAL FOREST.

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QUALITY BUILT BY OWNER IN 1995. Huge, open living, dining & kitchen area, patio/gameroom, Sierra Blanca views, 3 car garage/workshop, huge master, island kitchen. Owner/agent. $279,900 with full Alto membership or $254,900 with a social membership.

FABULOUS VIEWS with 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 2 living areas, log siding, nicely landscaped, new deck, tile floors, new kitchen. This home has been totally remodeled inside and out, looks like new. This one is a must see at only $234,500

FANTASTIC HOME off Upper Canyon, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, single attached garage, large bedrooms, totally remodeled and landscaped, new deck and more. $175,000

TOP QUALITY ALTO HOME. This 4 bdrm, 3 1/2 ba, 2 car gar, home features marble floors, 2 FP, 3 wet bars, 2 master suites w/ jacuzzi tubs, steam bath, huge columns, fountains, landscaping, great SB view, full golf privileges and more. OWNER WILL CONSIDER TRADE, $675,000

PEACEFUL, QUIET COUNTRY SETTING describes this 1998 doublewide home on 13.5 acres. Located on the end of the road, 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, built in fireplace, superb condition, live stream with fish runs thru the property, perfect for horses, level tract of land with excellent well. Don't miss. $164,900

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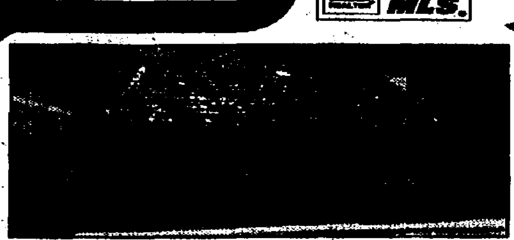
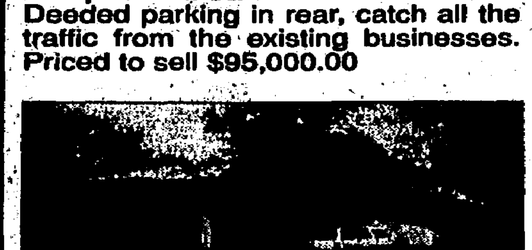


COMMERCIAL OFFICE BUILDING. Located on Sudderth, approximately 800 sq.ft. of remodeled space with reception area and two offices. Deeded parking in rear, catch all the traffic from the existing businesses. Priced to sell $95,000.00



PRICE REDUCED. Lots of potential! Lovingly built by owner, but never quite finished. 3 or 4 bedrooms, 1 full bath and one bath started but not finished. 2 car detached garage on corner lot, fenced back yard. Owner motivated $79,500.00

PRICE REDUCED on this brand new, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 1248 sq.ft. manufactured home with split floor plan. 2'x6' walls, thermopane windows, redwood deck, nice wooded lot. $79,500.00

LOTS OF POTENTIAL. Cute cozy mountain retreat, year round home or rental investment. 3 bedroom, 2 bath with single car garage, brick exterior. Large lot, in town location with easy year round access. $78,000.00

10.83 ACRES. Ranches of Sonterra, corner lot, mostly level, ready to build. $99,000.00

ALTO FULL MEMBERSHIP. Corner lot, Soft views of Capitan Mountains and Spencer Theatre. $35,000.00

14.9 ACRES Unrestricted. Hwy. 380 frontage, good business/home potential and flat land, trees, views. $74,500 UNDER CONTRACT

BUILD OR NEW DBL WIDE ALLOWED. Street to street, level lot, community water available, soft view of Sierra Blanca. $28,000.00

WEED, NM. Small, comfy, partially furnished, 2 bedroom, 1 bath home with guest quarters. Several storage buildings, root cellar, triple carport, fruit trees and garden space. Ideal for the outdoorsman with nearby Lincoln National forest providing abundant wildlife and unlimited space for hiking, horseback riding or just kicking back. $42,500.00

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SPACIOUS MOUNTAIN HOME. Custom built in 1998, one owner, with lots of the owner's special touches throughout. 2660 sq.ft., 4 bedroom, 3 bath, two living areas, tons of storage, nice decks, RV access, big trees on corner lot. $189,000.00

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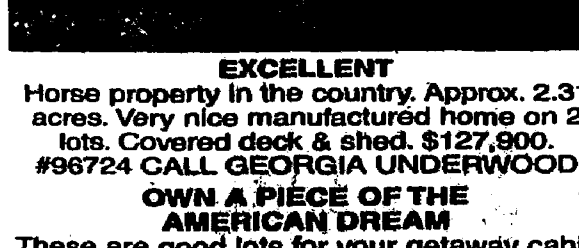

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And water fall the deer love! Light & bright SW home with tile roof & tons of storage. Hot tub, 4th Br could be office. Owner is licensed NM Realtor. $385,000. 397805
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DOUBLEWIDE
On large level lot. Big front & back yards, fenced, storage building, decks, trees. Large kitchen w/island, built-in fireplace. Cul-de-sac & nice neighborhood. $109,500. #96819 CALL CHARLOTTA STEWART

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In exclusive neighborhood. 4 Br, 2 1/2 Ba home has a nice rock FP, huge covered deck & double garage. Spacious 2475 SF on .62 acres. $175,000. #97787
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2 SIBERAIN Huskies, Female, one - 5 mo., one - 9 mo., All shots. 9 mo old is spayed. Real people lovers! FREE to Good Home. Will deliver to Ruidoso area. (915) 383-7114

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155 MISCELLANEOUS

11 HP Streaker Go-Cart, pulls hills, Good shape. $400. Yamaha 80 Trail bike, Good shape. $300. 336-8387

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• Part-time Customer Service Associates

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Applicants must pass a mandatory drug-screening test
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Please bring resume and/or references with you when applying.
Please allow 30-40 minutes to complete the necessary paperwork.

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Bus Person(s)

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TRACK MAINTENANCE
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TRACK OPERATIONS
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Ticket Salespeople

DEADLINE: Positions are being filled immediately.
INFORMATION: For information regarding job qualifications, please call 505-378-4431.
HOW TO APPLY: Applications are available at the Receptionist Desk located on the 2nd floor of the Executive Offices.
REQUIREMENTS: Ruidoso Downs Race Track & Casino positions require licensing by the New Mexico Racing Commission (NMRC) and /or the New Mexico Gaming Control Board (NMGCB), which will entail a background/criminal record investigation. All employees hired are subject to mandatory random drug screenings during employment.
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JJJ RANCHES ESTATE &BARN SALE
Friday, Aug 23
Saturday, Aug 24
9 AM to 4 PM
NO EARLY BIRDS PLEASE

Furniture (Couches, Dining room Set for 8, Large Custom Rugs, lamps, Pictures, Mattresses), Building Supplies (Stoves, Dishwasher, Sinks, Cabinets, Skylights, Attic Stairs, Windows, Shutters), Sports Equipment (Treadmill, Golf Clubs, Bikes, Skis, Ab Roller, Air Hockey,) Clothing, Antiques, toys, Books, riding Mowers, Ranch Equipment,1995 PU and much more!

$1 to $1000+
Cash, Only
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Nogal, NM
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402 APPLIANCES

MAYTAG STACKABLE W/D. $400 includes 6 month warranty. Refurbished. 257-1516

405 BUILDING MATERIALS

FOR SALE: 2 & 3/8. Also 2 & 7/8 Upset Tubing. Priced right. Discounts on 20 joints or more. 354-2384. Capitan

410 FARM EQUIPMENT MACHINERY

JOHN DEERE Backhoe for sale. $11,000. 420-1330

411 FEED SEED PLANTS & TREES

TOP QUALITY fertilized coastal Bermuda Hay, Round bale, $50/Row or $100/ Ton. 817-558-7304

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** **SEASONED FIREWOOD** at the Ranch, split and stacked, or Juniper. different lengths available. We also deliver. Guaranteed no Pine mixed in. 653-4021

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MATTRESS & Box Springs, king-sized Serrta Set, like new. $125. 258-4817

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Antique Furniture
New Mattresses
Used Furniture
DEALERS WELCOME
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420 MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

LARGE BASS Amp & small PA system. 354-2125

YAMAHA B-FLAT Clainet. Excellent condition. 2 yrs old. Comes w/case/music stand. $600 negotiable. 257-3060

424 PRODUCE

SAN PATRICIO Berry Farm: Raspberries. U-Pick - We-Pick. royal Galas, Fuji apples. Mile Marker 279. Hwy 70E. 653-4502

U-PICK

LAVENDER & Fresh Raspberries. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday. 9 - 5. Sunday, 10 - 5. No pets please. Lavender Spring Ranch, Arabela, NM, north of Tinnie, State Road, 368, Mile Marker 15.7. To inquire about picking conditions call 505-653-4992.

427 SPORTING GOODS

PAIR OF Dyna-Star 195 Skis and poles. Needs bindings. $50.00 OBO. 258-1672. Lv Msg

452 YARD & GARAGE SALES

347 FIFTH St. Thursday, Friday 8:30 until ? Saturday until noon. Antiques, 1940 Mechanical 6 foot Santa. Cat & Bear Collectibles. Jewelry, Old Pawn Furniture, SoloFlex Bench. Saw, Ski Equipment Tons of Stuff.

4 FAMILY Garage Sale: 410 Hull Rd, Saturday & sunday, 7 am to ?. Tools, coffee & end table, kitchen items, clothes, books & lots of neat stuff.

200 HELP WANTED

FIRST SAVINGS BANK

First Savings Bank has a full-time teller/proof position opening at our Ruidoso Branch. Prior teller experience preferred, but not required. Accuracy and a desire to serve the public are a must. Interested applicants can mail or fax their resume to 1-505-257-7170 or e-mail your resume to: randall.christopher@firstsavingsbanks.com

First Savings Bank
Attn: Randy Christopher
2713 Sudderth Drive
Ruidoso, NM 88345

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BIG CARPORT Sale, 107 Amelia - Upper Canyon, Saturday, 8 am to ? Furniture, glassware, dishes, antiques, clothes, teaching supplies-desks collectibles & much more. Everything priced to sell.

BIG SALE, Saturday, August 24th, COTTAGE CENTRAL MALL, 616 Sudderth, 10 AM to 5 PM. Refreshments, door prizes. You all come now!

"BIG YARD SALE" 2 antique Dressers, Jewerly, Couch, tables. Lots of odds and ends! Saturday 9-? 1719 Hwy 70 East.

DOWNSIZING - 3 Family's misc. collections from A to Z. Friday and Saturday, 8 to 4, weather permitting. Enchanted Forest Mile Marker 11 Hwy 48. Follow signs.

ESTATE SALE
& Silent Auction
at the Home of Cecelia Annaratone, 432 Fifth St., Capitan. Saturday, 8 am to noon, 354-3303

ESTATE SALE - 15 Rooms Furniture , Living, Dining, Office desks & chair, kitchen items, decor, floral arrangements, linens, towels, golf bags, misc items, equipment lamps, refrigerator, smoker, telescope, sofa-bed, bedspreads etc., 300 French Drive, Alto. 336-4734

EVERYTHING MUST Go! Sofabed, recliner, queen bed set, washer, dryer, misc. 117 Larch Dr. Off Poor/Brady Canyon. In town August 24-29 only! Come by or leave message at 505-257-2641

GARAGE SALE, Saturday 8 am to ?. Lots of videos and misc. Jack Little and Hull roads.

GARAGE SALE, Saturday, 8 am to ?. No early sales. 101 Hanson Dr. King-size water bed, computer desk, heaters & misc.

GARAGE SALE, Saturday, 8 am. Washer & Dryer, rollaway bed, generator, solar panel, tile saw & musch more. 103 Encanto

GARAGE SALE: Saturday from 8 am - ?. Fishing equipment, golf clubs, come-along, lawn furniture, electrical supplies, knickknacks, water barrels, misc. 201 Buckner

ALL AMERICAN SALE
SALE
Old J Bar J Western Store
Hwy 70 W
10 am Thurs. Fri. Sat. Sun.
Inside Outside
Hat Close Out Sale
• End of the Summer •
All Hats must go!
Save 40% - 60% off!
Trunk Sale on Ladies Sandals
$15 Pair while they last

MISC. ANTIQUES furniture and etc. Plus all kinds of good stuff. 1601 Hwy 70E, Ruidoso Downs, 10 AM to 5 PM

MOVING SALE. furniture, swamp cooler, household items. Saturday, 8 am to ?. 312 L.L. Davis Dr.

RUSTY STEELE Moving Sale: (Follow the arrows from Alto Post Office.) Friday August 29 thru Labor Day 400 Aspen Rd, Little Creek West.

SALE!!! FURNITURE, clothes, motorcycle, stereo, TV, VCR. Friday and Saturday AM. Also house may be for lease. 126 N. Begonia

THREE FAMILY: electronics, infant car seat, toys, books, kitchen items, housewares, home decor, women's clothing including Plus sizes, men's clothing, shoes, jewelry, and much, much more. Saturday ONLY 8 AM to 4 PM. L.L. Davis Dr. Ruidoso

TOOLS, WELDING, pipe and regular wrenches, taps & dies and misc other tools. Also table saw. Call 258-9230.

YARD SALE, Saturday 8 to 11 only. 122 fort Stanton Road, Alto. dishes, shower curtain, lawn chairs, new patio umbrella, sweeper, printer, tables, misc., bird houses, clothes, new watches. No early birds, please.

YEARLY YARD Sale - Saturday, August 24. turn on Pine Hill Loop, first right north of Airport road on Hwy 48. Multi Family Sale. You name it, we probably have it.

501 SERVICES

TREE SERVICE LOT THINNING
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Free Estimates
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Removal
References Available
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Tired of UNSIGHTLY Dead Branches?
Trees trimmed up starting @ $5.00 & up.
References Available
Licensed & Insured
Ask for Yogi
257-0610 or 420-0926

601 AUTOS FOR SALE

1983 TOYOTA Corolla, 5 spd, 2 dr, bucket seats, A/C, cassette, engine block heater. Good shape. Reasonable offers considered. 258-2903

1999 CADILLAC Deville, 43K, excellent condition, well maintained. $18,000 OBO. 378-5615

'89 GMC Pickup, V-6, $2000. '70 Ford class C Motorhome. $1350. '91 16' Trailer. $950. All vehicles good shape. 257-2661

655 FOUR WHEEL

1990 CHEVY 1/2 Ton 4x4 Short Bed, ext cab. Runs good. Needs paint. $6500. 258-2191

1995 SUBARU Legacy Wagon, P/W/, locks, A/C, Cruise Control. 90K. $7350 OBO. 257-4459 or 378-7308.

1996 DODGE 2500 4x4 Club Cab, Turbo Diesel Engine. Set-up for 5th Wheel. $15,000 OBO. Real work truck. 354-8021

2001 YUKON XL,SLT, 4 WD, sunroof seat & rear heaters quad seats, OnStar, towing. Immaculate 57,000 mi. - 1/2 Highway. Extended warranty. Original cost $44,250 Asking $29,750. 258-2704 or 210-240-7544

'90 DODGE Ram 50, Extended Cab, 4x4, V-6, automatic, sunroof, matching camper shell. 111K. One sharp. clean little truck! 347-2598 or 626-4068

657 TRUCKS FOR SALE

1995 FORD F-150, Eddie Bauer, extended cab, matching shell, 5.0 liter engine, low mileage, one owner,.Must See. 258-4817

677 MOTOR HOME

MOTOR HOME: 1989 Southwind Class A, 27 ft, 33,000 original miles, 454 Chevrolet, Twin Beds, new tires, No levelers, No electric step, Everything else. $16,900. (505) 257-7809

686 LEGAL NOTICES

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LEGAL NOTICE

The Eastern new Mexico University Board of Regents will meet Friday, August 30, 2002 at 10a.m. in the Regents Room on the Portales campus. Regents will act upon business so presented and may meet in executive session. Agendas for the meeting are available at the Information Center of the University Relations office located in the ENMU-Portales campus Administration Building. the public is invited to attend the regular meeting. Eastern New Mexico University is an EEO/AA institution.

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LEGAL NOTICE

CITY OF RUIDOSO DOWNS

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ADOPT

ORDINANCE 2002-11

Notice is hereby given that the Governing Body of the City of Ruidoso Downs shall conduct a Public Hearing in conjunction with the regular meeting scheduled for Tuesday, September 10, 2002 at 5:30 PM at the City Hall Hubbard Room, 122 Downs Drive, Ruidoso Downs for adopting the following Ordinance.

ORDINANCE 2002-11

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF RUIDOSO DOWNS CODE OF ORDINANCE CHAPTER 1 GENERAL GOVERNMENT ARTICLE 3 LEGISLATIVE BRANCH SECTION 1(c) TITLED COMPENSATION. TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

1-3-1 (c) Compensation: Effective with the terms of office beginning March, 1998 and March 2000, the compensation paid to the City Councilors of the City of Ruidoso Downs shall be at the rate of Two Hundred ($200.00) Dollars for each meeting, be it regular special, emergency meeting *or workshop* actually attended by the City Councilors.

Copies of ordinance 2002-11 are on file in the office of the City Clerk and are available for public review Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M.

Witness my hand and seal of the City of Ruidoso Downs this 23rd day of August 2002.

/s/ Carol Virden
City Clerk

#5148 4T (8)2, 9. 16, 23

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Citifinancial Mortgage Company, Inc.

Case No. CV 02-51

Plaintiff(s)

vs.

(1) Wade Thomas a/k/a

400 MISCELLANEOUS

GAME MOUNTS for your wall.
Elk, Buffalo, Deer, Javelina - others.
Mule Creek - Capitan - 354-4203

401 ANTIQUES ART

MULE CREEK TRADING
Chuckwagons Buggies Driving horses

401 ANTIQUES ART

STICK WELDER - Miller Thunderbolt AC 30' extension.
Barely used - like new $300
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413 FURNITURE

WINE RACK - custom made mahogany and walnut.
42" high - holds 85 bottles.
A beautiful piece of furniture. $125
Mule Creek - Capitan - 354-4203

427 SPORTING GOODS

CLOSE OUT GOLF CARTS
GAS - ELECTRIC
MAKE OFFER
AA STORAGE
420-9745
378-7030

686 LEGAL NOTICES

Jimmie Wade Thomas
) Rebecca Thomas a/k/a Rebecca U. Thomas
GMAC Mortgage Corp DBA ditech Corp
Unknowns. All Unknown Occupants And/Or Tenants Of The Subject Real Estate
(5) 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 BELOW WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER IN LAWFUL MONEY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA THE REAL ESTATE DESCRIBED BELOW.

THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF SAID SALE IS

Date September 18, 2002
Time 10:00 A.M.
Place Front door of the Lincoln County Courthouse 300 Centra Ave Carrizozo, NM

Common Description:
311 Spring Rd.
Ruidoso New Mexico

Legal Description:
LOT 6 BLOCK 4 OF FIRST PLAT OF WINGFIELD HOME STEAD SUBDIVISION, RUIDOSO, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN BY THE PLAT THEREOF FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF LINCOLN COUNTY, SEPTEMBER 2, 1958

The date of the Court Order is July 1, 2002, pursuant to which an Order of Sale was issued on July 1, 2002. The referenced Court Order entered judgment for Plaintiff for $111,542.47 plus interest, costs of this action, including costs of the sale and costs to preserve the Real Estate including ad valorem property taxes. Additional interest of $27.00 per day shall accrue to the date of said sale

Special Master

Faisal Sukhyani
Special Master
2222 Parkwest Dr., NW
Albuquerque, NM 87120
3660
505 228-8484

KLEINSMITH & ASSOCIATES, P.C.
Attorneys for Plaintiff

by /s/ Philip M. Kleinsmith
6035 Erin Park Dr. #203
Colorado springs, CO
80918
1-88-842-8417

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO IN THE PROBATE COURT LINCOLN COUNTY
Tammie J. Maddox, Clerk
Opal Hill, Deputy
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Minnie Green, DECEASED

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or the claim will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned personal representative at the address listed below or filed with the Probate Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, located at the following address: 300 Central, Carrizozo, NM.

Dated August 6, 2002

s/Clint Green, Jr.
PO Box 7717
Ruidoso, NM
(505) 378-6116

#5173 1T (8)23

LEGAL NOTICE

INVITATION FOR BIDS

Notice is hereby given that the Village of Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico calls for sealed bids on Bid #02-006

The Village of Ruidoso is accepting Bids to purchase One (1) New Cab/Chassis Trash Loader Body System for Solid Waste Department

Interested bidders may secure a copy of the specifications from the Purchasing Department at the Village of Ruidoso Centralized Purchasing Warehouse, 421 Wingfield St. Ruidoso (505) 257-2721 (mailing address 313 Cree meadows Drive, Ruidoso NM 88345.) Sealed bids must be received by the Purchasing Office or if hand delivered, to the Ruidoso Purchasing Warehouse at 421 Wingfield St., Ruidoso or if mailed to Purchasing Department, 313 Cree Meadow Drive, Ruidoso, NM 88345. Bids will be received until Tuesday **September 3, 2002 at 2:00 p.m. local time,** then publicly opened and read aloud at the Village of Ruidoso Annex Building, 421 Wingfield, Ruidoso, New Mexico. Any bid received after closing time will be returned unopened.

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

By order of the Governing Body

Fermin Herrera
Purchasing Agent
Village of Ruidoso

#5182 1T (8)23

LEGAL NOTICE

The Extra Territorial Planning Commission of the County of Lincoln will hold a regular meeting on September 16, 2002 at Ruidoso Village Hall, 313 Cree Meadows Drive. The meeting will begin at 6:30 P.M. The purpose of the meeting will be to consider Case # ETZA02-001 a Zone Map Amendment request for the following described property

A tract of land in the NE/4 of Section 9, T 11 S, R 13 E, NMPM
401 Alpine Village Road
Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico

By order of the PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION.

S.Tim Vega
Planning Department

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LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE

Carrizozo, New Mexico is soliciting requests for proposal information to be used in selecting a Principal Consultant to provide airport Planning and Engineering Services for the Carrizozo Municipal Airport.

Services as outlined in FAA Advisory Circular 150/5100-14C, including engineering and planning services for all phases and required incidental services for projects which may be multiple grant funded. Contract for consulting services is expected to be a four year period. The services to be provided include planning, construction inspection, coordination and administration of all project stages for the following projects:

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3. Access Road Improvements and Airport Fencing
4. Other Planning and Engineering projects as needed.

Selection criteria contained in the FAA Advisory Circular 150/5100-14C, will be applied in the following order of importance:

1. Capability to perform the project.	10
2. Recent experience in similar projects	15
3. Reputation and references.	20
4. Affirmative action program.	10
5. Qualifications of key personnel	10
6. Current workload	10
7. Ability to meet schedules.	15
8. Ability to work with budgets.	10
9. Qualifications of subconsultants.	10
10. Quality of past projects	20
11. Familiarity and understanding of the project	25
12. Interest shown	15
TOTAL POSSIBLE	170

Upon review of the submittal material the Town will make a decision as to the highest ranked firm. A detailed scope of work will be developed with the highest ranked consultant. Firm consulting fees will be negotiated, utilizing an independent cost estimate, for the services to be performed under an FAA and New Mexico Division of Aviation grants a approved by the FAA.

This contract is subject to the provisions of Executive Order 11246 (Affirmative Action to Ensure Equal Employment Opportunity) and to the provisions of Department of Transportation Regulations 49 CFR Part 26 (Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Participation). DBE firms are encouraged to submit.

To be considered for these services, please provide (6) copies of the data requested no later than 5:00 PM September 6, 2002. Questions or comments and submittals should be addressed to Ms Leann Weihbrecht, CMC, PO Box 247, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301 or call 505-648-2371

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LEGAL NOTICE

VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ADOPT

ORDINANCE 2002-10

Notice is hereby given that the Governing Body, Village of Ruidoso shall conduct a public hearing in conjunction with a regular meeting scheduled on September 10, 2002 at 6:30 p.m. at the Ruidoso Administrative Center for the purpose of adopting the following ordinance:

ORDINANCE 2002-10, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 1997 NEW MEXICO UNIFORM TRAFFIC CODE ADOPTED BY REFERENCED THROUGH THE VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 82 TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES."

Copies of Ordinance 2002-10 are on file in the office of the Village Clerk and are available for public review Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Village of Ruidoso this 23rd day of September, 2002.

(SEAL)

Tammie J. Maddox, Village Clerk

Tammie J. Maddox, CMC
Village Clerk/Convention Center Director
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LEGAL NOTICE

VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO

NOTICE OF *CANCELLATION* OF A REGULAR MEETING

Notice is hereby given that Mayor Leon Eggleston of the Village of Ruidoso has cancelled the regularly scheduled meeting of the Village of Ruidoso Governing Body of August 27, 2002. The next regularly scheduled meeting is September 10, 2002. The regular meetings are held at the Village of Ruidoso Administrative Offices, 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso. The regular meetings begin at 6:30 p.m. Meetings of the Village of Ruidoso Governing Body are open to the public. If you have questions or need to request a copy of the agenda, please contact Tammie J. Maddox, Village Clerk, 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, NM 88345, Phone- 258-4343.

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19 Match play?
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27 Trial
29 Not sweet
31 Sábado or domingo
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40 Kind of concerto
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2 Wound
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4 Rocky hilltop
5 Harmony, informally
6 Manner of speaking
7 Make housebound, as by bad weather
8 Hearing aides
9 Pike
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11 Think wrongly of
12 More stuck up
16 Supreme Court, for one
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22 Wind dir.
24 Aid in reaching a high shelf, maybe
28 Buddie
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35 It may have boxes and boxers
36 Change for a fin
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38 Like vision in bright light
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45 Approach
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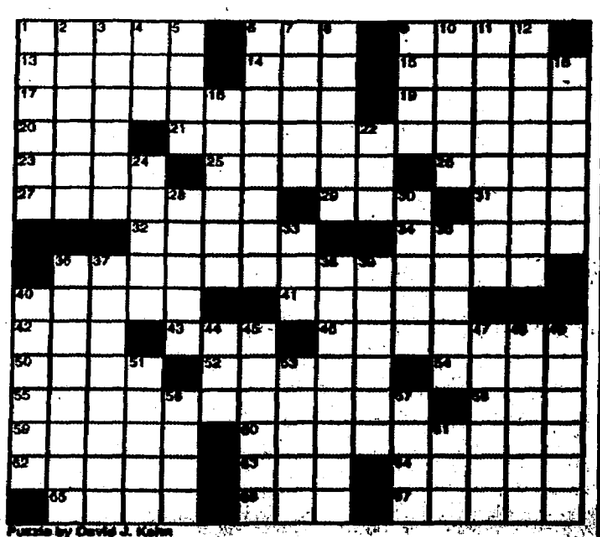

Puzzle by David J. Kahn

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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THE FOLLOWING LETTER OF SOLIDARITY HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO THE MESCALERO APACHE TRIBE AND TRIBAL PRESIDENT, SARA MISQUEZ. WE WISH TO SHARE THIS DOCUMENT WITH OUR LOCAL COMMUNITIES:

August 15, 2002

Mescalero Apache Tribe
Mrs. Sara Misquez, Tribal President
P. O. Box 227
Mescalero, NM 88340

Dear President Misquez:

We, the undersigned staff of the Ruidoso Municipal School District, wish to convey the joy and pride we have had working and sharing our lives with the area youth who have been in the classrooms of this district. The multicultural connection offered by each ethnicity has been a treasured opportunity and a rich enhancement to the educational process and life experience of us all.

Throughout the years, our Native American students have not only successfully completed their educational requirements here, but also have continued fulfilling their career goals at prestigious institutions of advanced learning across the United States. Many have contributed in various ways to our local community in service to others.

We wholeheartedly embrace and welcome all students to participate in the learning experience as provided by our Ruidoso Municipal School District. Our expectations for all students continue to be high, and our commitment to each student is enthusiastically offered. We extend best wishes and success to all youth regardless of their chosen educational environment.

Sincerely,

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LEGAL NOTICE

CITY OF RUIDOSO DOWNS PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Extra territorial Board of the City of Ruidoso Downs and Lincoln County will hold a Public Hearing to be held Monday, September 9, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. at the Ruidoso Downs Senior Citizens Center, 391 West Hwy 70, Ruidoso Downs, NM.

the public hearing is for the formation of a zoning ordinance between the City of Ruidoso Downs and Lincoln County that will provide planning and land use guidelines within an area that is within one mile of the current boundaries of the City of Ruidoso Downs.

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 auxillary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing or meeting, please contact the City of Ruidoso Downs Hall at least one week prior to meeting or as soon as possible.

/s/Carol Virden
Clerk/Treasurer

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LEGAL NOTICE

The Planning and Zoning Commission of the Village of Ruidoso will hold a regular meeting on September 17, 2002 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 # PV02-021 a Variance request for the following described property:

Lot 4, Block 34, Ponderosa Heights, Unit 5
Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico.

By order of the PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION.

/S/Tim Vega
Planning Department

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LEGAL NOTICE

The Planning and Zoning Commission of the Village of Ruidoso will hold a regular meeting on September 17, 2002 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 # PV02-022 a Variance request for the following described property:

Lots 24 & 25, Block 14, Alto Crest Sd.
Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico.

By order of the PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION.

/S/Tim Vega
Planning Department

#5183 1T (8)23

LEGAL NOTICE

The Planning and Zoning Commission of the Village of Ruidoso will hold a regular meeting on September 17, 2002 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 # PV02-023 a Variance request for the following described property:

Lot 20, Block 16, Town & Country North
Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico.

By order of the PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION.

/S/Tim Vega
Planning Department

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LEGAL NOTICE

The Planning and Zoning Commission of the Village of Ruidoso will hold a regular meeting on September 17, 2002 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 # PV02-024 a Variance request for the following described property:

Lot 3, Block 5, Holiday Acres, Unit 1
Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico.

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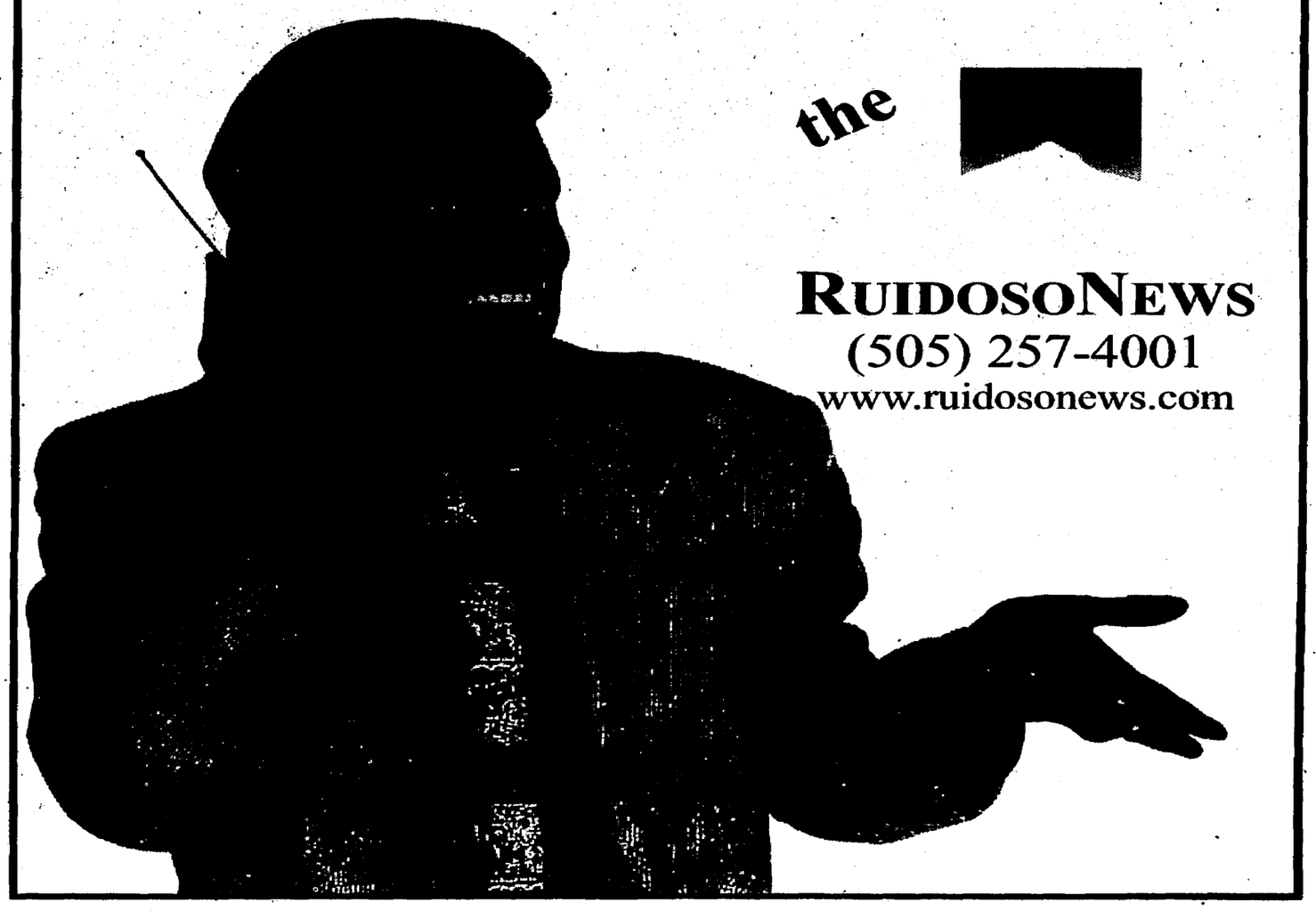

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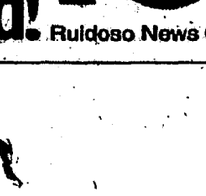

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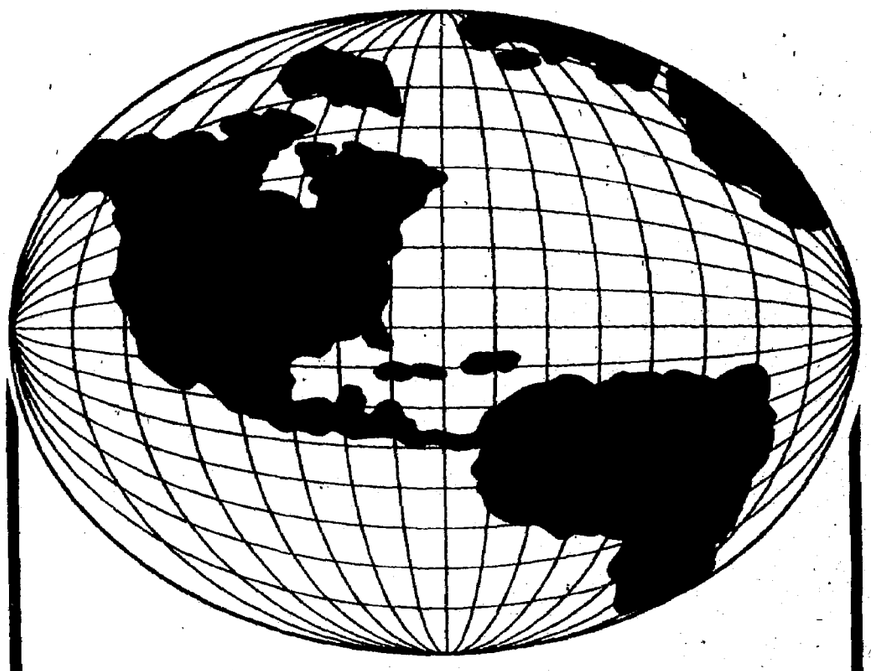

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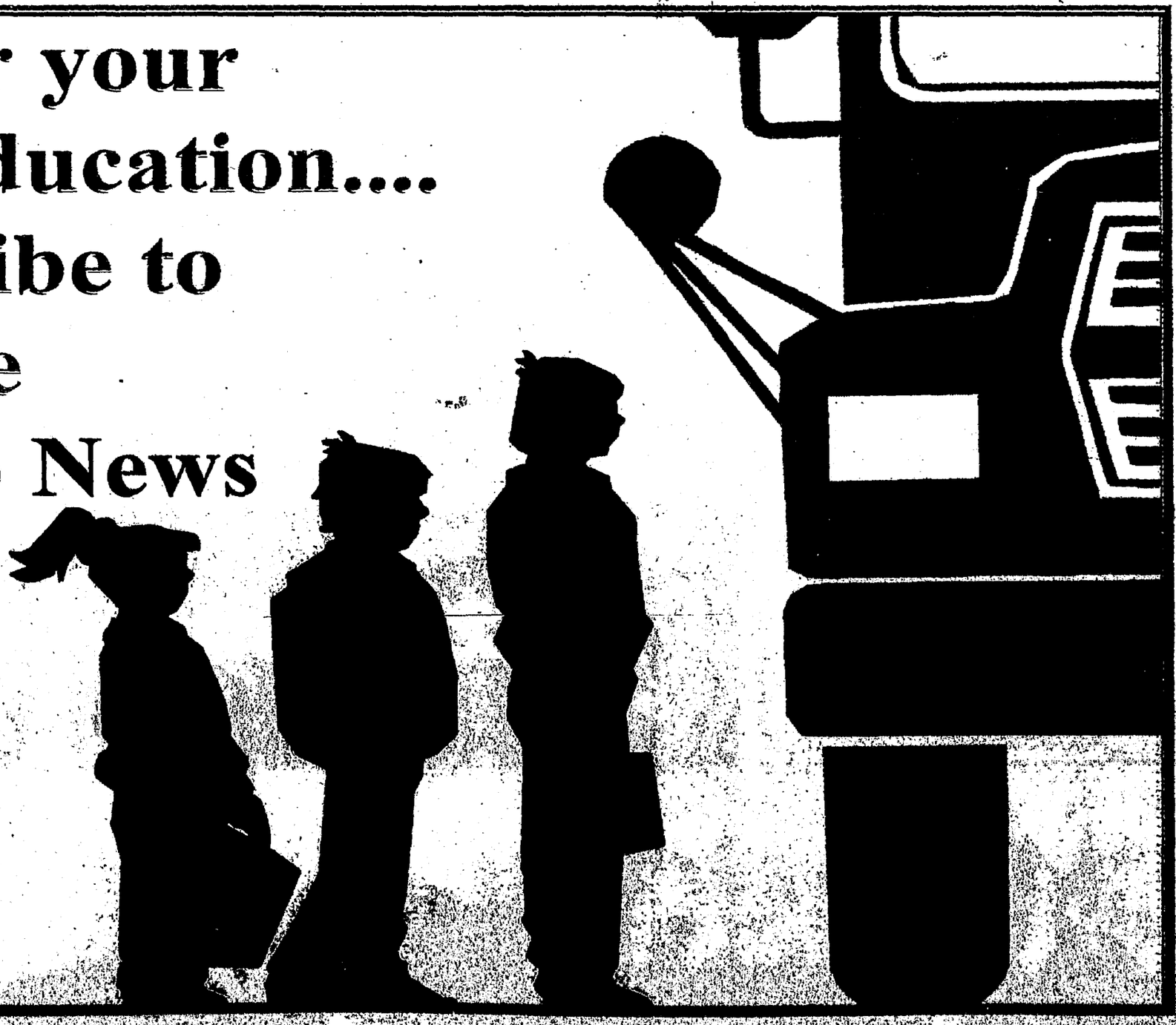

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Tickets available for 'Forever Plaid'

Stuart Ross's hit Broadway musical comedy "Forever Plaid" is the show that puts a smile on your face and a hum in your heart as four men in Heaven journey back in time to the wonderful, silky-smooth pop music era of the 1950s and early 1960s.

Featuring 28 four-part harmony vocal hits like Three Coins in the Fountain, Heart and Soul, Magic Moments, and Papa Loves Mambo, "Forever Plaid" takes center stage on Aug. 24 at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m.

Excellent seats for $30 and $33 are available for the matinee. Call the Spencer Theater Box Office at 336-4800.

In "Forever Plaid," Sparky, Smudge, Jinx and Frankie comprise a spunky up-and-coming vocal group called The Plaids who sing in the style of their idols — The Four Aces, The Four Freshmen, The Crew Cuts and The Hi-Los.

On the way to their first big gig, The Plaids are killed in a tragic car accident by a group of teens on their way to see the Beatles' 1964 debut on the Ed Sullivan Show. Now, 40 years later, The Plaids miraculously return to earth to perform the big show they never got to do in life.

Written, directed and choreographed by Stuart Ross with musical continuity and arrangements by James Raitt, "Forever Plaid" opened in New York on May 20, 1990, to 38 rave reviews. Since then, the show has gone on to spectacular success in productions all over the globe.

Now there's even a Frequent Plaid Fan Club to honor loyal Plaid enthusiasts who have returned to the show over and over again.

WHAT A BIG CAST YOU HAVE!

SANDY SUGGITT/STAFF

Friday evening ended a week of rehearsals and workshops of the Missoula children's Theatre and 54 area or visiting children with the performance of the hilarious musical comedy, "Red Riding Hood," at the Spencer Theater. The cast, and Missoula tour team Sage Wright and Dylan Wright, received a standing ovation for their performance.

SANDY SUGGITT/STAFF

Bill Kerr often works at a table on his porch in Carrizozo, taking time to chat with passersby or visitors.

Just call him ... 'Papa'

Bill Kerr got hooked on porcelain 20 years ago – and hasn't looked back

BY SANDY SUGGITT
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The fine painted porcelain work of Carrizozo's Bill Kerr is opening at the Zozo Gallery from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, giving him a venue to display and sell — and more room at home to work on commissioned sets of china and paint on the tiled tables his son creates.

Kerr was a professional artist and teacher before the china painting bug bit him, having received bachelor's and master's degrees in fine arts from the University of North Texas in Denton, Texas, and the equivalent of a Ph.D. — he took the courses he wanted to, accumulating the required number of credits without following a degree plan. Then he taught art in the El Paso Schools for 18 years and was art supervisor there for three years, while painting on canvas with both oils and acrylics — mostly realistic paintings, he said.

> **"My sister was painting on porcelain and said she would teach me how ... Now I'm better than she is."**
>
> Bill Kerr
> Carrizozo artist

In 1981, he retired from teaching and continued to paint on canvas ...

Then the bug bit him.

"I wanted some plates and priced them, and changed my mind when I saw the price," he said. "My sister was painting on porcelain and she said she would teach me how — and she did. Now I'm better than she is.

"Once I started doing china painting, I put everything else away. It gets in your blood and then that's all I wanted to do."

It's happened to others that way, Kerr said. Hondo Valley's Paula White is the only porcelain artist he knows that hasn't shucked every other artistic medium.

"Almost every china painter you run into was doing another kind of art," Kerr said.

The lure

"I think it's getting it built up and putting it into the kiln and waiting for it to fire. It's like opening Christmas presents when you pull it out and see what you've got. It's really a thrill to see the finished product."

One of the reasons it's a surprise is that certain colors, such as the metallic ones, change color during the firing. Gold looks brown when painted on, and becomes gold after firing.

Another reason is that the process of painting on porcelain is much different from oil painting. Instead of filling the brush with a lot of paint, the china painter uses only a little, applying it lightly and firing between layers, beginning with the lightest colors and deepening them by more coats after the 1,230-degree kiln has caused the paint to sink into the porcelain. Each piece goes into the kiln for three to five firings, and the deepest reds require as many as eight firings.

Kerr mixes powdered pigment with mineral oil for his "messiest palette of anybody," made of glass cut to fit a cookie sheet, which is covered with another cookie sheet when he's done for the day.

"Most of my leaves are chartreuse and brown-green," he said. "I put

See KERR, page 7C

U.S. Army is winning the war on military food

Dave Barry
DAVE'S WORLD
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The U.S. Army is developing a new Combat Sandwich. Really. Army food technicians say this sandwich can remain edible, without refrigeration, for three years. Granted, that's nowhere near the staying power of those $4.50 hot dogs they sell at airports, some of which have been rotating on their grills since the Lindbergh flight. But it's still impressive.

I recently had an opportunity to field-test the new Combat Sandwich, and will give you my review once I get my new artificial stomach.

No, seriously, I'm fine, and my review will follow this informative HISTORY OF MILITARY FOOD:

The legendary French general Napoleon "Bone" Aparte once observed that "an army marches on its stomach." Of course, Napoleon was talking about French soldiers, who drank large quantities of wine and thus often could not march on their actual feet ("Forward ... CRAWL!"). In battle, they routinely shot at their own artillery to make it shut up so they could sleep.

But the point is that food is vital for soldiers. The ancient Romans understood this: No matter how far their soldiers ventured from Rome, they knew that, come dinnertime, the Domino's delivery chariot would come thundering into camp, driven by a man who knew that if he was more than 30 minutes late, he would be disemboweled.

By the American Civil War, the military had developed a ration called "hardtack," which was similar to plywood, but not as tender. The advantage of hardtack was that it did not spoil, so if soldiers were pinned down on the battlefield, unable to get supplies, they could simply reach into their knapsacks, pull out their hardtack, and throw it at the enemy.

"Retreat!" the enemy would shout. "They're throwing hardtack!"

In World War II, the army developed "K-rations," which were critical to the outcome of the war, because the allied soldiers knew that if they won, they would no longer have to eat K-rations. After the war, tons of leftover K-rations were given to starving war refugees, who gave them back. Today they are used primarily in road construction and fruitcake.

During the Cold War, there was a fierce competition between the United States and the Soviet Union to gain superiority in the field of military food. This culminated in the Red Army's development of the legendary "Big Ivan" Tactical Assault Sausage, which was the size of a subway car and theoretically could feed one infantryman for 400 years. In 1987, a dozen of these babies were dropped from bombers to Soviet troops in Afghanistan; shortly thereafter, communism collapsed.

So food has played a vital role in military history, which is why the Army's new Combat Sandwich is so exciting. When I heard about it, I asked the Army to send me one, and the Army graciously sent me two: one barbecued chicken, and one pepperoni, both wrapped in brown military foil packets that you need a bayonet to open.

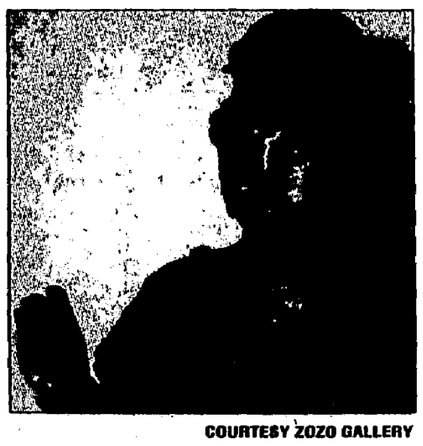
I field-tested these sandwiches on a Florida beach, where the harsh battlefield-style conditions included heat, sand, and a large pink man walking around in a tiny red thong. If anything is going to ruin a person's appetite for a sandwich, it is suddenly finding yourself face to face with the flagrant crevasse that this man was sporting. I think the authorities should crack down (Har!) on this kind of beach attire. I think that Coast Guard ships should patrol along the beaches, and when they spot a large bethonged man ("CHEEKS HO!") I think that – Greenpeace be damned – harpoons should be employed.

But even under these conditions, the Combat Sandwich held up well. It's a "pocket" style sandwich, which means it looks as if it has spent time in somebody's pocket. But I thought it was quite tasty, in a spicy way. Of course, I think everything is tasty, including cold cuts so old that when you try to take them out of the refrigerator, they skitter away on little mold legs and hide behind the beer. I will eat food with an expiration date written in Roman numerals.

So I gave a few bites of Combat Sandwich to my wife, who is very strict about food freshness, always rooting through the refrigerator and throwing out pieces of pizza that, in my opinion, still have years of service left. She actually liked the Combat Sandwich. So did my mother-in-law, who is picky about most things, although she has graciously made an exception in my case.

In conclusion, the Combat Sandwich is a strong addition to our nation's combat-food arsenal. It is a tribute to the men and women who devised it, and the courageous barbecued chickens and pepperonis who gave their lives to make it possible. I know I speak on behalf of a grateful nation when I say: What's for dessert?

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



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Maya Devi or Pu Hsia, 11.2 inches, cast iron, mercury gilding, 19th century or much earlier, on exhibit and for sale at Zozo Gallery, 12th Street or Gallery Row, in Carrizozo.

Wu Tai Shan at Zozo

BY SANDY SUGGITT
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The Wu Tai Shan Collection Show and Sale and the work of five other artists open at Zozo Gallery from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday. Refreshments will be served.

The artifacts of the Wu Tai Shan pilgrimage site in China are part of the collection of La Luz photographer Jim Stresen-Reuter and have never been exhibited before. The exhibit in the Upstairs Gallery of Zozo Gallery includes 20 pieces: a Tibetan altar table, a Tibetan shrine table with dragon legs, a Kang wedding table, a Shan XI storage box; several different statues of Confucius, and sitting and standing Buddhas.

Also opening Aug. 24 is the work of five artists:

- "Money Lures" by internationally known artist Richard Mock of Brooklyn, N.Y., three-dimensional originals made out of money.
- "Extraordinary Beauty in Ordinary Places," photography by Jim Stresen-Reuter, color and black-and-white photographs.
- "Paintings That Engage the Eye and Relax the Soul" by Tamiris Duke of Tularosa: watercolor and acrylic meditative art.
- "Unique Sculpture II" by Michael Musselwhite of Colorado.
- Tables and fine painted porcelain by Carrizozo's own Bill Kerr.

COURTESY ZOZO GALLERY

Standing Buddha, 18 inches, carved of granite, was obtained in Wu Tai Shan Temple Complex, seventh terrace, Shanxi Province, but may have come from Tibet or India, 19th century or much earlier.

Full slate of All American Festival activities this week around town

BY SANDY SUGGITT
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The deadline was Thursday to sign up for the All American Bridge Tournament at the Ruidoso Senior Center at 1 p.m. today, so don't forget to go, if you've signed up for the tourney.

The big All American event this weekend is the **All American Antique Show and Sale** at the Ruidoso Convention Center, 111 Sierra Blanca Drive, sponsored by the Ruidoso Noon Lions Club and AmeriWest Shows, Aug. 23-25.

The show opens Friday from 5 to 9 p.m., Saturday hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 5 p.m. Advance tickets are $2.50 and may be purchased from the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce and at several antique stores in the Ruidoso area. At the gate, tickets are $3.50.

This isn't the "Antique Road Show," said Lions Clubber Bill Allen, "but a miniature version," and 48 antique dealers will be there to show everything from Southwest furniture to jewelry, china, crystal, cloisenne, toy collections, primitive iron work, cast iron, heirlooms, memorabilia and collectibles.

If anyone has lost a few pieces of a sterling flatware set, experts who specialize in sterling will be able to help come up with the name of a pattern and a source, Allen said. People are also welcome to take their antiques to the show for free appraisals — and then sell them.

"This is our 10th year; we were one of the first exhibitors at the Convention Center, and we booked in until 2010 — that's as far as they'd let us go," Allen said.

"It's been a really good fundraiser for us, and we put it back into the community."

The Noon Lions Club buys eyeglasses for school children and anyone in need of glasses who can't afford them. It gives diabetes screenings and eye screenings for nearly 500 children a year through Head Start and preschool screenings with Region IX Education Cooperative.

"Those eye screenings cost us nearly $5 a shot, and we use money like what we make here to offset those costs," Allen said.

The **All American Golf Tournament** starts at 1 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday, Aug. 27 and 28, at the Links at Sierra Blanca, but the absolute deadline to enter is today at 4 p.m. Call (877) 222-7223 to enter the tournament.

Called the Jay Pumphrey Cowboy Classic after Jay Pumphrey, who's been in the quarter horse business for about 50 years, the golf tournament is in its 23rd year, said Dan Fick, executive director of racing at the American Quarter Horse Association.

"We started the tournament 23 years ago wanting to get some of the owners and breeders in Ruidoso for the All American together to play golf," Fick said. "The idea was to get all kinds of people that are involved in horse racing and local people in the business community together to have fun and make friends."

This tournament is a four-person scramble format where players play with two completely different teams each day.

The entry fee of $250 covers both days of cart, greens fees and range balls. Prize money will go to the first five men's and the first five women's teams each day, with an additional $100 cash hole prize on every hole both days. Usually more than $15,000 in prize money is paid out.

An authentic Chuckwagon Steak Out by the Coors Distributors of Amarillo and Abilene and complimentary beverages during both rounds of golf are included in the fee. MBNA America is a sponsor of the tournament and contributes $10,000 for the American Quarter Horse Association Racing Scholarship Fund.

Coming up on Wednesday, Aug. 28, is the **All American Fashion Show and Luncheon** in the lobby of Sierra Mall on Mechem Drive. El Paraiso Restaurant will be catering the luncheon, and clothes for the concurrent fashion show will be provided by Evelyn's, Fashion Crossroads and alpaca sweaters by the Nishitanis.

The luncheon starts at noon and $7 covers both that and the fashion show. Call Dorothy Byrd to reserve tickets, or purchase them at Fashion Crossroads or at Evelyn's in the Sierra Mall. Tickets can be purchased at the gate.

The **All American Call to Post Luncheon** is at 12:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 29, in the Ruidoso Downs Race Track Turf Club. This is the determination of what post positions the horses will be in for the All American Futurity and the All American Derby. Tickets are $12.50 and can be purchased at the Ruidoso Downs Race Track and Casino ticket office.

The **All American Senior Citizens Barbecue Pot Luck and Dance Band** is Friday, Aug. 30, at the Ruidoso Senior Center for people age 55 and older. The potluck starts at noon and the center will furnish the barbecue, potato salad, beans and bread; each participant needs to bring a dish and admission is free.

The Longhorn Band will perform for the dance from 1 to 3 p.m., and those who don't wish to dance can play bridge or other games.

The **All American Yearling Sale** is at 5:30 p.m. on Aug. 30, 31 and Sept. 1 at the Ruidoso Downs Sports Complex. For information, call 378-4474.

On Aug. 31 and Sept. 1 is the **All American Gun and Western Collectibles Show** at the Ruidoso Convention Center from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days. Admission is $4 for adults and children under age 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Pets are not allowed — not even horses needing to try on a saddle or two, said organizer Jackie Powell of the Special Events Resource Group — a rule of the Convention Center.

What's in the show?

"Something for everybody," Powell said. "Guns from all over the place. A lot of these are people's longtime collections of old, old guns — some even from Civil War days."

Add to that new guns, gun-related items, Indian pottery, hand-carved knives, cowboy gear of all kinds, saddles and spurs.

The event started 12 years ago when a group of young gymnasts wanted to start their own program and build their own building.

This gun show and the Aspenfest Arts & Crafts show were the major fundraisers that built them a building in Ruidoso Downs, said Powell, who had a daughter in gymnastics at the time.

"That's how and why it's such a successful gymnastics program and can compete with Albuquerque and other places," she said.

The Special Events Resource Group donates proceeds from the gun show to nonprofits, such as Home Health Hospice, Capitan Public Library and a lot of programs for youth.

The Ruidoso High School band will have a table and a raffle to raise money, food will be provided by the Ruidoso Gymnastics Association as a fundraiser to cover their travel-

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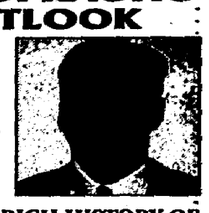
CHIROPRACTIC OUTLOOK

by Dr. Jack V. Waters *Chiropractic Physician*



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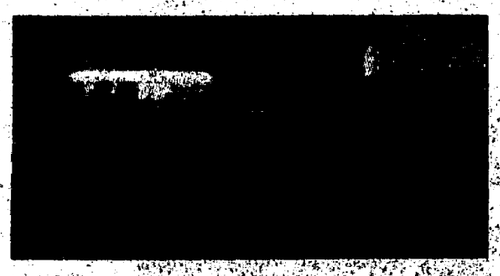

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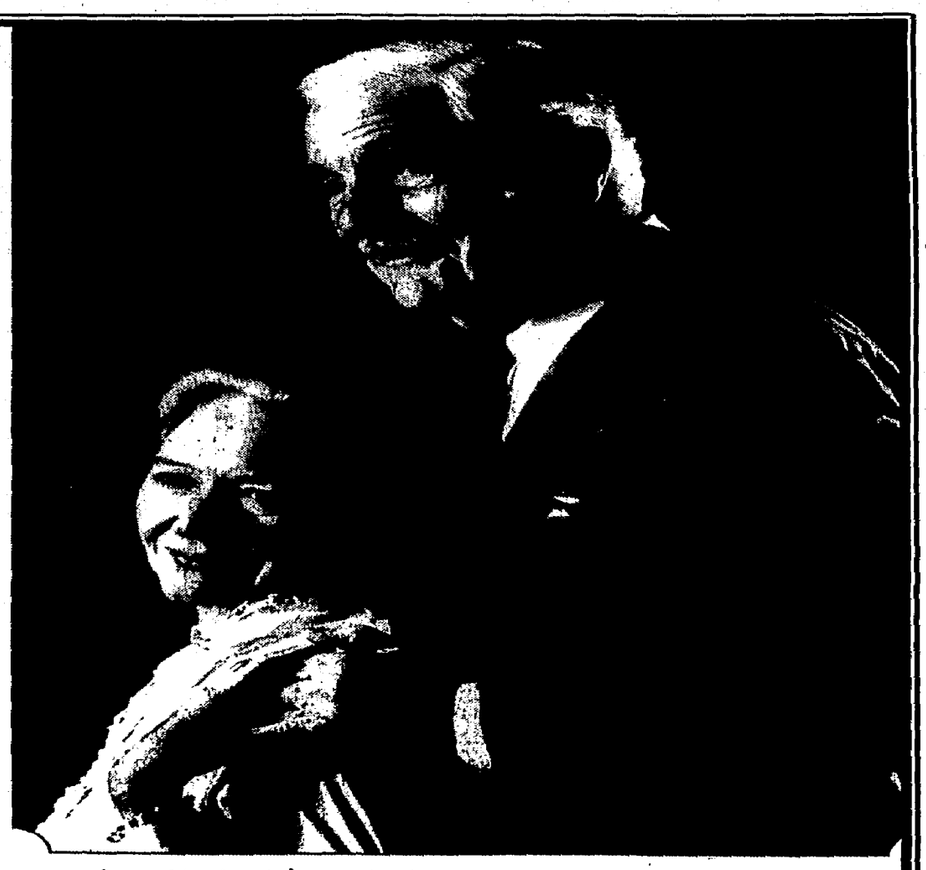
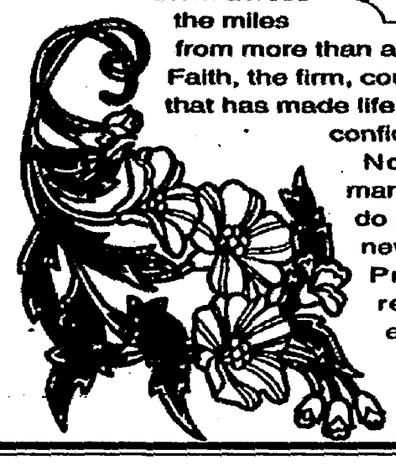


They don't have much — Granny and Gramps. A little "retirement cottage" with a guest room for visiting grandchildren, though they own it free and clear. A modest savings account for a rainy day — it took some doing to add to it month by month. Memories, the kind that grow warmer and deeper with every passing year. Affection — it reaches to them across the miles from more than a score of loving hearts. And Faith, the firm, courageous, ever-celebrating faith that has made life to Granny and Gramps a confident walk with God.



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Church of Jesus Christ LDS Mescalero Branch, 671-4630. E.W. Gunkel, President, 354-3388. Sunday: Sacrament meeting 10 a.m.; Sunday School and Primary 11:20 a.m.; Priesthood Relief Soc. & Young Women, 12:10 a.m.

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Nogal Presbyterian Church Reverend Bill Sebring. Adult Sunday School: 10 a.m.; worship 11 a.m.

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Calvary Chapel 127 Vision, next to Cable Co., 257-5915. Pastor John Marshall. Sunday worship 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday: Mid-week bible study 7 p.m.

Carrizo Christian Fellowship Leonard Kanesewah III, Pastor. 56 White Mt. Dr., 3 mi. W. of Inn of the Mountain GodsMescalero. Sundays 10:30 & 6:30, Wed. 6:30 378-1789

Centro Cristiano Casa de Oracion 139 El Paso Rd., Ruidoso, 257-2324. Pastor Carlos Carreon. Reunion General Jueves 7:00 p.m.; Domingo 10:00 a.m. Club Amistad Sabado11:00 a.m. (niños).

Christ Church in the Downs Ruidoso Downs, 378-8464. Al and Marty Lane, Pastors. Sunday: 8:00 Sun a.m., 10:45 am , Children's ministries concurrent with late Sunday Services. Sat. outreach at 1pm, at church. Thursday: 7 p.m.

Cornerstone Church Cornerstone Square, 613 Sudderth Drive, 257-9265. John & Joy Wyatt, Pastors. Sunday School, 9:45, Church, 10:30 a.m.; 6:30 p.m. with Children's Church Sun. Eve. Handicap Services 11 a.m. Wed. Leadership Class 6 p.m. & Prayer 7 pm. Wed. Bible Study Adult 7 p.m. Thurs. and Youth, Thurs. 7 p.m.

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

Grace Harvest Church Gavilan Canyon Rd, 336-4213. Sun. morning prayer 8:30 a.m.; Sunday school 9 a.m.; service 10 a.m.

Miracle Life Ministry Center Ron Rice & Catherine Callahan, Ministers Avaialable 24 hours for healing prayer. 354-0255 e-mail miraclelife@ruidoso-online.com

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

NON-SECTARIAN

Spiritual Awareness Study Group Minister: George N. Brown, Ph.D. U.L.C. Sundays 1 p.m. - 101 Mader

CAPITAN CHURCHES

BAPTIST
Trinity Southern Baptist Church (south on Highway 48) Mt. Capitan Rd. 354-2044. Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.; Worship: 11 a.m.; AWANA-Sunday 4-6 p.m.
Mountain Baptist Church
Sunday 11 AM, Smokey Bear Park, N.E. side
Capitan, NM (505) 491-6106

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

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Capitan – Highway 48. Les Earwood, Minister. Sunday Bible study: 10 a.m.; Sunday worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible study: 7 p.m.

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

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

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

CARRIZOZO CHURCHES

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

The ultimate fates of Frank and Jesse James

Everybody knows what happened to Jesse James. In April of 1882, two guests in Jesse's home, Bob and Charley Ford, proved themselves to be less than good house guests. They did this by shooting their host in the back of the head as he stood on a chair to balance (or perhaps dust) a sampler on the wall. Jesse's wife and small son were in the next room, making the deed even more heinous to the many admirers of the outlaw chieftain.

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And there *were* many admirers. John Newman Edwards, newspaperman and promoter extraordinaire, had done everything in his power for years to make the boys seem like the victims, rather than perpetrators of the many unfortunate and illegal acts connected with their names. He had routinely declared that Jesse and his big brother Frank were latter day Dick Turpins, or even Robin Hoods.

Basically, Edwards' premise was that the boys were forced into their lives of crime – not just Frank and Jesse, but the Younger brothers and, for that matter, anyone who rode with the gang. According to Edwards, the boys were just continuing the War Between the States – the Lost Cause – and they had been forced into it, by Yankee carpetbaggers, corrupt Reconstruction officials, and others of that ilk...

And there really was something to what Edwards said, which was made him such a powerful ally. (It isn't for nothing that Jesse named his only son "Jesse Edwards James.")

Guerrilla warfare

The Civil War in Missouri had not been fought as it was back east, with armies and generals. It was more of a war between neighbors. For years, Kansas Jayhawkers had been riding down into politically torn Missouri, raiding into what they called a "slave state" with much self-righteous zeal. It wasn't long before their zeal was tempered with greed. The Kansas men quickly discovered that they could loot and, in fact, do pretty much as they pleased to these Missouri slave owners... Problem was, most of them *weren't* slave owners – just farmers trying to make ends meet. In the end, all they had to be was on the Missouri side of the line to be candidates for murder and robbery at the hands of the Jayhawkers. All they had to be was from Missouri. Much of the area along the Missouri-Kansas line became known simply as "The Burnt District."

The irony of this was that Missouri itself was bitterly divided on the issue of slavery and many a man who had stood against slavery suddenly found himself riding with the Missouri guerrillas (called Bushwhackers) for the simple reason that his home had been indiscriminately looted and burned by the Jayhawkers.

Quantrill

Much has been made of William Clarke Quantrill's raid into the Jayhawker capitol of Lawrence, Kan. Well, like they say, it's the winners who write the history. To read most history books, you would think that Quantrill had horns and cloven feet, which was not exactly the case, as usual. When Quantrill and his raiders had thundered into Lawrence in early August of 1863, it was payback time. And despite the fact that many a Missourian actually found some of their *own* home furnishings in the homes of the people of Lawrence, no women or children were injured that day. Of course, 150 or so men and teenaged boys were gunned down wherever they were found, but to be honest, considering the situation, I have always been amazed at the restraint of some of the raiders. For example, how would *you* feel if your home had been burned to the ground along with say, your grandmother, by Jayhawkers. And then, you rode into Lawrence and found Granny's piano in someone's living room? How would you be inclined to treat the occupants of that house?

How the Pinkertons put their foot in it

Of course, the reality was somewhat different, but there was a surprising amount of truth in what Edwards had to say: Jesse really was unjustly shot by Union troops while he held a white flag of truce over his head. But the thing that *really* put public opinion on the Jameses side was the Pinkerton's bombing of Zerelda James, the boys' mother's, home.

One dark night, to the great regret, if not shame, of the detective agency, they tossed what they claimed for over a century was "a smoker" into the house to force the occupants outside. According to the Pinkertons, the occupants, who turned out to be Jesse and Frank's mother, stepfather and half-brother, must have pushed the device into the fire place and it exploded, mangling the widow James' arm so badly that it had to be amputated later and killing their 14-year-old retarded half-brother, Archie.

Well, in 1992, a researcher going through the Pinkerton letters found one from Allen Pinkerton instructing his operatives to "blow them up." So much for the smoker...

The Jameses, as well as many of their neighbors, had suffered under Reconstruction, to say nothing of what went on during the war: Jesse, who had been too young to join the guerrillas, had been home the day Union troops arrived, inquiring after big brother Frank's whereabouts. When Jesse and his stepfather, Reuben Samuels, had protested that they did not know of Frank's whereabouts, they were meted out two different fates. Jesse was brutally whipped, until his back was a mass of torn flesh and blood. He was about 15 at the time.

They had something even more amusing in store for Mr. Samuels. They hoisted him up with a noose, time and time again, letting him down just before he lost consciousness to give him a chance to talk, which he would not do. In the end Reuben Samuels suffered irreversible brain damage from the ordeal. And it instilled in young Jesse a grim resolve to get even.

As soon as he was able, Jesse attempted to join Quantrill, as his brother Frank (along with Cole and Jim Younger) had done. But Quantrill told him he was too young. Jesse then went to one of Quantrill's occasional lieutenants and a guerrilla leader in his own right: "Bloody Bill" Anderson, one of the most feared guerrillas of the war. Anderson had no problem with Jesse's age. As far as Bloody Bill was concerned, anyone old enough to pull a trigger was old enough to ride with him. He would later refer to his youthful protege as "the keenest fighter in my command."

Liberty

On Feb. 13, 1866, less than a year after the close of the hostilities, a dozen or so heavily armed men rode into the town square in Liberty, Mo. Two of them dismounted and walked into the bank. When they entered, one of them walked over to the stove to warm his hands and the other, thought by many to be Frank James, stepped up to the teller's cage. First he asked for change for a $10, and then, almost as an afterthought, he said something that no bank teller in the United States had ever heard during daylight, peacetime hours. He said, "I'd like all the money in the bank."

COURTESY

Frank James as a Missouri guerrilla during the Civil War.

No one had ever done such an audacious thing before. To rob a bank in broad daylight, during working hours? Unthinkable! Well, unthinkable prior to Feb. 13, 1866, anyway. It is thought that Jesse wasn't there that day, still recuperating from the wound he received while trying to surrender.

As the gang had thundered out of town, a college student had stood transfixed by the spectacle, right in their path. One of the riders fired four times and the young man fell dead. It was later discovered that *any one* of the four rounds would have killed him. An intimidating display of marksmanship to anyone who planned on pursuing the bandits...

A successful career

For the next 10 years, the gang could do no wrong, as far as their robberies went, and for that matter, to hear John Newman Edwards tell it, they could do no wrong *period*! For over a decade they successfully robbed banks and trains and no one even knew what they looked like. "Efficient" doesn't begin to describe them. But all good things come to an end, and for the James Gang, the end came in September of 1876 in a little Minnesota town called Northfield. Frank and Jesse barely escaped with their lives, the Younger boys were all captured and everyone else was killed. It was a disaster unparalleled for the gang, and they were *never* able to find such loyal and efficient henchmen as the Youngers.

Which had a lot to do with why Bob and Charley Ford were at Jesse's house that spring day in 1882. Jesse had finally made a *very bad* decision as to the character of his recruits, and had paid for this mistake with his life.

Frank

The nation waited with bated breath to see what brother Frank would do. Many felt that the Ford brothers were little more than walking corpses. But Frank was far more practical. When he received the details of Jesse's death, he had seen the writing on the wall and had quietly begun to negotiate his own surrender with no less a personage than the Governor of Missouri himself. This, as you may have guessed, was arranged by a certain sympathetic newspaperman.

No one could have guessed what the outcome of Frank James' trial could have been. After 15 fast and furious years of robbing banks and trains, there was little hope that Frank would not spend the rest of his days incarcerated. Largely thanks to Edwards, Frank had supporters all over the nation, not just in Missouri. A lot of people were pulling for him, and it began to look as though there was hope. At a spectacular trial in Gallatin, Frank had, among his character witnesses, the revered General "Jo" Shelby. Shelby showed up to testify drunk as a skunk, to the vast amusement of virtually everyone in the courtroom, including the judge.

In the end, Frank James, who had spent most of his early life on the wrong side of the law, never spent so much as a day in jail. Completely acquitted on all charges, he tried to shun the spotlight for most of the rest of his long life. In 1901, after pal Cole Younger was finally released from Minnesota's Stillwater Prison, the two embarked on a financial venture together: They opened, of all things, a Wild West show, which did moderately well as long as its two namesakes were there.

Frank James finally died in 1915, 33 years after little brother Jesse. But even unto death, a *little* larceny remained in Frank's soul. Both Frank and his mother, Zerelda, were known to sell pebbles to tourists from Jesse's grave, which were actually retrieved from a nearby stream bed. A neighbor put it best when he said that they "could have buried Jesse twice with the number of pebbles sold from his grave."

But when you think about it, it is small recompense for the ruined lives, not just in the James family, but in the family of anyone who died during one of their raids. Many have found it easy to simply classify the Jameses as common criminals and let it go at that. Well, criminals perhaps. But common? Never.

Sources: *Judgement at Gallatin, the Trial of Frank James* by Gerard S. Petrone; *I, Jesse James* by James R. Ross and *Jesse James was My Neighbor* by Homer Croy.

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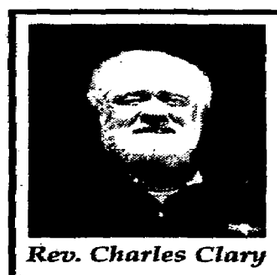

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Art, Craft and Such
PRACTICAL, CREATIVE WAYS TO INCLUDE FUN IN EVERYDAY LIVING
BY POLLY E. CHAVEZ

Creative labeling and bottle design is indeed an art. There are many creative art aspects of marketing toiletries.

The contents of the bottles of "stuff" that I use for my bath are a glorious sea-green color. My containers of body scrub, bath gel, body mist, body lotion, and intensive hand cream look so pretty on the edge of the tub. Let's call the products "Berry-Peary Passion" (the brand name has been changed for this column). They smell heavenly in a fruity way.

While I soak in the tub I take a closer look at the ingredients of my stuff and read that they all contain water. I was in for a surprise when I learned that they contained no fruit. In addition to water, they contain ingredients that I can hardly pronounce and that my computer spell-check does not know. Some of the bottles share the same ingredients and color numbers. In fine, fine print the following ingredients are listed on the bottles:

Decyl oleate, hydrogenated polyisobutene, butylene glycol, octylpalmitate, glyceryl stearate SE, fragrance, cetyl alcolhol, stearic acid, dimethicone, green tea extract, tocoperyl acetate (vitamin E) retinyl plmitate (vitamin A), phenoxyethanol, polysorbate 60, triethanolamine, carbomer ultrez 10, methyparaben, saccharide isomerate, propylparabeb, FD&C blue No. 1, and FD&C yellow No. 5.

And here are two looooooooog ingredients....methylchloroisothiazolinone and methylisothiazolinone. The list goes on — sodium laureth sulfate, TEA-lauryl sulfate, cocamidopropyl betaine, cocamide DEA, propylene glycol, glycerin, chamomile extract, aloe vera gel, ginger root extract, ginseng extract, citric acid, saccharide isomerate, glycereth-26, methyparaben soritol, propylparaben, sodium PCA, PEG-7 glyceryl, cocoate, allantoin, and FD&C yellow.

And there is more....SD alcohol 40A, octoxynol-9, almond extract, plus the following extracts: aqueous blend, althea officinalis, coltsfoot, dandelion, fennel, hops, horse chestnut, horsetail, ivy, lavendar, rosemary, sambucus, thyme, witch hazel, and yarrow. Sodium PCA, benezophenone-3, hea butter, cocamide DEA, acrylates10-30, alkyl acrylates crosspolymer, pantherol (vitamin B5), sodium EDTA, and last but not least...benzophenone.

My gift-set of toiletries are a far cry from the single toiletry my granny used when she took her bath in a tin tub. Later, a thrifty granny used the still-good water to mop the floors. Maybe I can polish copper pots with my leftover sea-green bath water. What a relief to see a "Not tested on animals" statement in a corner of the ingredient label on my gift box toiletries.

Out

Art reception

An artist reception for landscape artist Charles H. Pabst at Studio W will be from 5 to 8 p.m. today and 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday. The award-winning artist from Mesa, Ariz., will be present at the opening of his exhibition, and refreshments will be served.

Pabst is continuously rated as "collectible" by the *Index of Southwest* and has been featured in *Southwest Art* and *Art of the West* magazines. Studio W is located on Highway 48, just before the Swiss Chalet, and is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday. For information, call 258-1117.

Music around town

Alto musician P. Blake Martin will perform at 9 a.m. Saturday at the Ruidoso Roastery on Rio Street, at 1:30 p.m. Aug. 31 at Mountain Java and Dreams, downstairs in the Four Seasons Mail, and at Carrizozo Joe's in Carrizozo at 1 p.m. on Sept. 2.

Run for the B.E.A.C.H.

It's time to sign up for the annual 5k Run/Fun walk for the B.E.A.C.H. (Breast Cancer Education, Awareness, Cure and Hope), coming up Sept. 14.

The entry fee of $20 includes a T-shirt and goody bag, and proceeds assist residents of Lincoln County by paying for their mammograms. The run/walk starts and ends at McGary Studio, and Cathi McIntosh will lead an aerobics warm-up at 7:30 a.m. Food, drinks and door prizes will be provided afterward.

Pick up applications at The Buttery, the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce, the Ruidoso News, or www.ruidoso.net/beach. Packet pick-up is from 5 to 7 p.m. Sept. 11 at The Buttery or between 7:15 and 7:45 a.m. the day of the race.

Send checks to P.O. Box 271, Ruidoso, NM 88355 or call 257-9251.

Movement workshop

A free introductory class on "Quantum Movement" will be given by Marisa Coates at 7 p.m. today at the High Mesa Healing Center in Alto. For information, call (505) 622-6137 or 336-777. Quantum Movement Workshop Experience will be from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at the High Mesa Healing Center. No movement experience is required. The workshop gives tools to take home and use. Cost is on a sliding scale of $45-$65.

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Top local artists supporting benefit silent auction

BY SANDY SUGGITT
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Paintings for the silent auction fundraiser for Roswell artist Ted Robertson, recently diagnosed with cancer, will be accepted until 2 p.m. today, giving time to hang them before the preview show from 3 to 5 p.m. at Eastern New Mexico University-Ruidoso in Sierra Mall. The silent auction itself is from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, and refreshments will be served both days.

"More than 30 paintings have been donated, at least two original pastels of Ted's — donated by other people — will be auctioned off, and his prints will be for sale," said Patsy Blasdell, one of the organizers of the show.

Paintings have been donated for the auction by many well-known local artists, including Ann Templeton, Dee Wescott, Paula White, Teri Sodd, Penny Dillon, Julia Price, Marty Lane, Karen Emerald Reeder, Connie Bell, Barbara Westbrook and Martin Rose. Other paintings come from Midland, Texas, Artesia, Hobbs and Roswell.

To donate paintings, call Blasdell at 258-9151 or Rice at 257-2579.

COURTESY

Saturday's silent auction will benefit Roswell artist Ted Robertson, above.

FESTIVAL: Races just part of events

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ing expenses to competitions.

Another big event over the Labor Day weekend is the annual **All American Arts and Crafts Fair** at the All American Park, the Ruidoso Downs Senior Center on Highway 70, Aug. 31 through Sept. 2. Saturday and Sunday hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and on Labor Day, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Admission is $1 and children 10 and under are admitted free.

Close to 60 vendors from New Mexico, Texas and Oklahoma will fill booths inside the senior center with furniture, jewelry, crafts, clothing, doll clothes and pottery. A salsa maker will be there, as well as several people with holiday crafts and a doll maker, said Sue Garrett, one of the organizers. Ribbons will be awarded for first, second and third place booths and displays for this Ruidoso Downs Auxiliary fundraiser.

A $250 shopping raffle will be raffled off and the winner can spend the money at any Wal-Mart store. Tickets are $1 or six for $5.

The Ruidoso Downs Auxiliary uses the proceeds from this and other fundraisers for scholarships for local students, Easter Egg Hunts in Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs, a Christmas party for children and the Ruidoso Downs Christmas Lighting contest and prizes. The auxiliary just donated $1,000 for a defibrillator for the Ruidoso Downs Fire Department, and has purchased tables, chairs and table cloths for the senior center.

"We do so much I lose track," Garrett said. "We do things as we see the citizens need it."

The auxiliary also delivers food baskets to the elderly, decorates the senior center at Christmas time and takes mugs filled with candy to the Care Center.

The first big race of the holiday weekend, the **All American Derby**, is at noon on Sunday, Sept. 1, at the Ruidoso Downs Race Track and Casino. General admission and parking are free.

The 44th running of the **All American Futurity** — the big event of the All American Festival — featuring the fastest 2-year-old quarter horses in the world, starts at noon on Monday, Sept. 1, with an estimated purse of $2 million.

THIS WEEK'S MOVIES

Blood Work
Thriller and Crime/Gangster, 1 hr. 51 min.
Rated R for violence and language.
A retired FBI profiler is brought back into service under unusual circumstances involving his own blood analysis to track a ruthless serial killer. Blood Work is a Malpaso production starring Clint Eastwood. The film is also produced and directed by Eastwood, with the screenplay written by Brian Helgeland, based on the novel by Michael Connelly.
Starring: Clint Eastwood, Jeff Daniels, Anjelica Huston, Wanda De Jesus, Tina Lifford
Directed by: Clint Eastwood
Produced by: Clint Eastwood
Written by: Brian Helgeland
Showtimes: 2 p.m.*, 4:30 p.m., 7 p.m., 9:15 p.m.
*Friday and Saturday only

Road to Perdition
Drama, 1 hr. 59 min.
Rated R for violence and language.
In Depression-era Chicago, hit man Michael O'Sullivan (Tom Hanks) is known to friends and enemies alike as the "Angel of Death." Uncompromising in his work, O'Sullivan is just as devoted to his private life as an upstanding husband and father of two young boys. But when those worlds collide, taking the lives of his wife and younger son, O'Sullivan and his surviving son leave their sedate home life behind and embark on a startling journey of revenge.
Starring: Tom Hanks, Jude Law, Paul Newman, Jennifer Jason Leigh, Stanley Tucci
Directed by: Sam Mendes
Produced by: David Brown, Richard D Zanuck, Dean Zanuck
Written by: David Self
Showtimes: 1:30 p.m.*, 4 p.m., 6:45 p.m., 9:10 p.m.
*Friday and Saturday only

XXX
Action/Adventure and Thriller, 2 hrs. 04 min.
Rated PG-13 for violence, non-stop action sequences, sensuality, drug content and language.
Vin Diesel stars as former extreme sports athlete Xander "XXX" Cage, notorious for his death-defying public stunts. Betting he can succeed where other conventional spies have failed, Xander is recruited by NSA Agent Gibbons (Samuel L. Jackson) to become a different kind of undercover agent. Enlisted for a dangerous covert mission, he must use all his extreme skills to combat a clever, organized, and ruthless enemy far beyond the scope of his experience.
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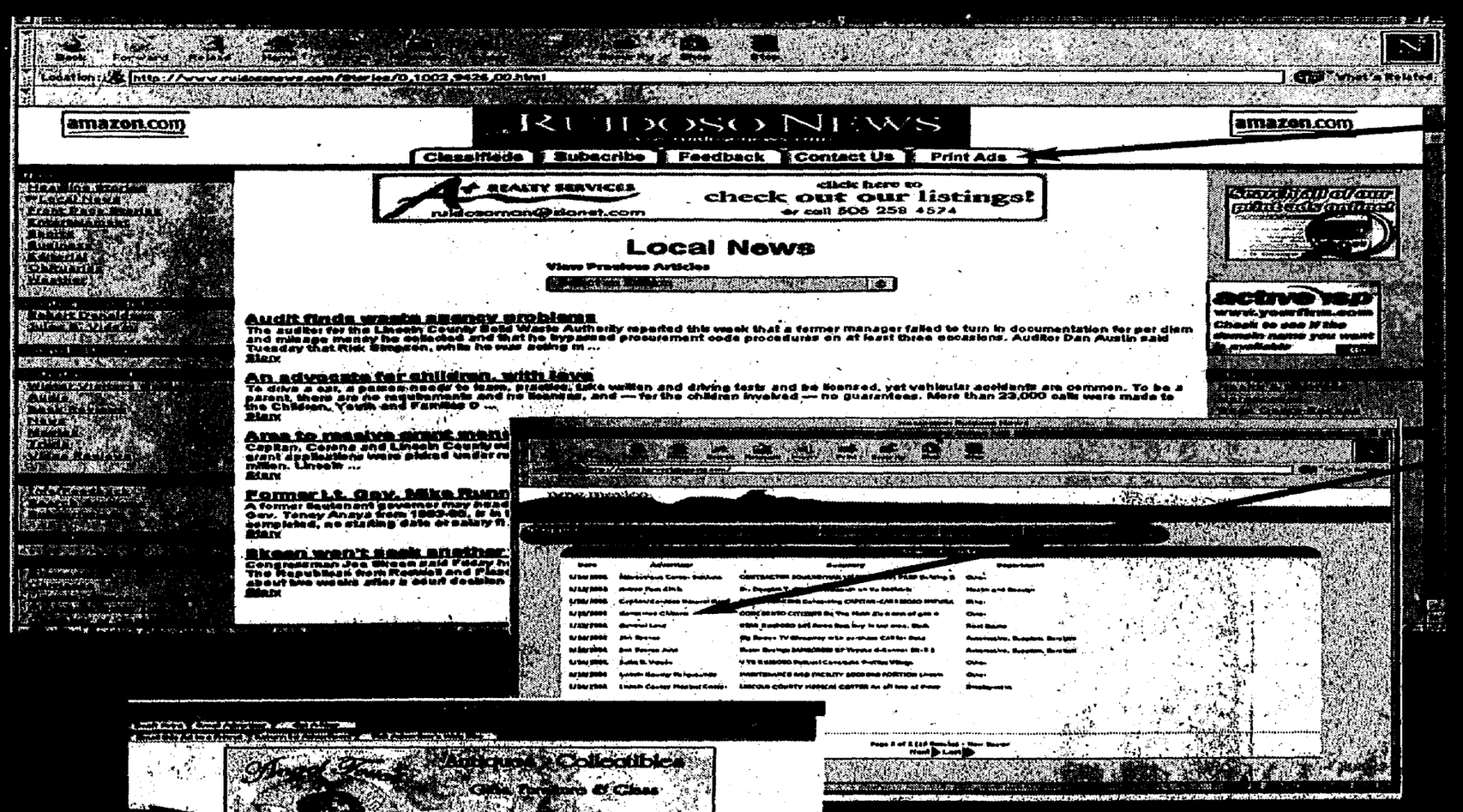

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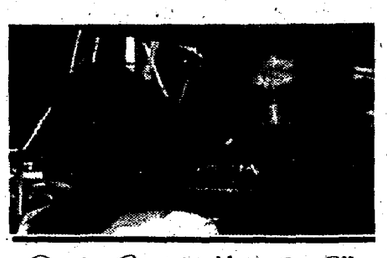

On the Go, with Hank & Ellen
BY HANK AND ELLEN BARONE
TRAVEL WRITERS AND PHOTOGRAPHERS

Tell people you're headed to Cancun, and most likely visions of long stretches of perfect white beach, turquoise sea, beautiful hotels and lively nightlife will come to mind. But it was the opportunity to explore the Yucatan's Mayan culture that brought us to Cancun.

Selecting a guided day-tour offered at our hotel, we headed off to the ancestral Mayan city of Cobá, a once strong city-state 1,500 years ago, situated in a sub-tropical rain forest of the southeastern Yucatan.

There we climbed Nohoch Mul, the highest pyramid on the peninsula at 138 feet, and inspected the well-preserved ruins of a court for the Mayans' legendary ballgame.

The ballgame was a feature of most civilizations of Mesoamerica. More than a sport or a form of entertainment, the game had some kind of ritual significance. Two teams would compete to manipulate a large rubber ball through a stone ring set high on the wall at the side of the court.

The ball, approximately the size of a man's head, had to be kept off the ground using only knees, elbows and hips, never the hands or feet. The losers were often sacrificed after the game, but it was considered an honorable way to die. Ballcourts have been found at all the main pre-Columbian sites, the largest being at Chichén Itzá.

Cobá is surrounded by Mayan communities whose artisans work in wood and stone and whose women embroider the hipiles, or dresses worn in the Yucatan. Thatched huts predominate in areas of jungle, cornfields and small villages.

From Cobá, we penetrated deeper into the jungle to the authentic Mayan village of Pac Chen, a self-sufficient community of approximately 100 indigenous people who live next to an integral part of the region's lagoon system. We had anticipated our visit to Pac Chen for weeks. It is a part of Mexico that most tourists, and many Mexicans, never see. Entering their world is like taking a step back in time.

It was only two years ago that the government built a road through the jungle to this small village. The road provided an opportunity to combine tours to Pac Chen with a visit to the archeological zone of Cobá, only a half hour away. Before that, the Mayans of Pac Chen lived as they had centuries ago, hunting, working the land and harvesting honey. Although they have been exposed to foreign culture for the past three years, most still wear traditional clothing. They speak Maya, and Spanish is a second language.

At Pac Chen, we enjoyed a zip-line crossing high above a cenote (water-filled sinkhole); rappelled down a 45-foot cliff; floated in tubes in the cenote's crystal-clear water; canoed in the lagoon, Laguna Mojarra; and enjoyed a tasty lunch prepared by the local women and served in the palapa-covered lunch area. The meal consisted of savory chicken cooked with traditional Mayan ingredients – rice, beans, potatoes, handmade tortillas, salsa and salad – and a variety of tropical fruits.

After lunch, we met local artisans Francisco and his wife, who hand-carve figures of wood and stone and make hammocks by hand to sell to visitors. Francisco explained in Spanish how they make their own dyes from trees and plants to paint the carvings.

Thanks to the infusion of tourism and tourist dollars, the village of Pac Chen now has an elementary school where some 20 children are learning to read and write. Those who graduate attend secondary school in the nearest town, Tres Reyes. Dedicated youngsters bike 10 kilometers (6.2 miles) daily just to get to school.

Their recent introduction to modern society has been carefully planned so as not to infringe on their privacy, but at the same time, to aid them in educating and providing for their children. Alltournative, the group who entered into an ecotouristic agreement with the elders of Pac Chen, have done a great deal to improve the lives of the native people and to educate visitors and locals alike.

Visiting the Mayan residents of Pac Chen in the jungle, we were able to truly appreciate how these people live and survive far from the "civilized" lifestyles that we are accustomed to. The trip was a great combination of history, exploration and culture all in one adventure-filled day.

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The Barones, barones@intlmediagroup.com, are full-time travel writers and photographers operating out of their home in Alto. Their travel features appear in a wide variety of regional, national and international publications.

COURTESY HANK AND ELLEN BARONE

The color of Cancun isn't solely provided by the blue water and beautiful sunsets.

SANDY SUGGITT/STAFF

The designs on this soup tureen are achieved by painting very light coats of paint between three to five firings in the kiln.

KERR: Porcelain is in his blood

FROM PAGE 1C

brown-green on the corner of a brush to get the slightly darker color of green."

The texture of the plate adds to the color variations in a piece when the pigment goes into the crevices. Kerr uses a lot of black, red and purple, and "violet of iron," a rusty brown that can become red or a shade of pink, depending on how he applies it.

His luscious-looking apples are achieved by painting solid red, and then wiping out some of the paint for highlights and reflections. This is a process also contrary to that of oil painting.

Kerr doesn't use a temperature cone, because he's experimented enough "to establish a cheat range," he said.

Instead of building the heat up gradually, he turns it on high for 45 minutes, then puts the china in and waits 2 1/2 hours to open the kiln — very slowly —to see the transformations of his paintings.

"It's so much more satisfying to me (than painting on canvas)," he said. "I feel I've got something a little more tangible than a picture hanging on the wall."

But hanging on the wall is what Kerr hopes for his creations. He doesn't eat off the china he paints for himself — he doesn't want to "abuse it by eating on it," he said, although there's no practical reason why not to.

Kerr has sold many sets of hand-painted china since he got hooked in the 1980s, and many of his customers do hang plates on the wall, although many others probably secretly eat off them.

His painted porcelain has been displayed at many invitational art shows in Texas, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Alabama, North Carolina, Arizona — and, of course, New Mexico. He's done demonstrations, workshops and classes, taught hundreds of people his passion for porcelain painting, and will be doing demonstrations in Roswell in November and in Las Cruces in March.

Although Kerr was celebrating his 81st birthday the day he was interviewed, that's not why so many people call him "Papa."

"My dad called me 'Uncle Papa,' my kids and grandkids and great-grandkids and some of the townsfolk call me 'Papa,'" he said, shrugging modestly.

Meet him and you might see his hand-painted plates, china sets, tile tables and his stunning solid-gold coffee cup sets meant for fresh-ground coffee — that is, displaying in a prominent place.

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COURTESY SHIRLEY BURLESMITH

Chaplain Darrell Winter is shown, at left, with children of Backside employees — and a piñata — at a Back-to-School Party at the chapel at the Ruidoso Downs Race Track and Casino.

Children of the Backside

Some 18 children of workers at Ruidoso Downs Race Track are spending the summer in "the town," often called the Backside. And they have things to do, thanks to a program conducted by a pastor and his wife.

BY SANDY SUGGITT
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The "children of the Backside" at the racetrack in Ruidoso Downs have champions at the track — Pastor Darrell Winter, and his wife, Melanie, who started a special summer program called the Kidz Klub two years ago.

The Kidz Klub served about 18 children, ages 3-10 – children of "the town," or the Backside: grooms, trainers, jockeys and exercise riders – and more for special events.

"The track closes from 8 to 8:30 every morning while they're working the horses in and out, and that gives people time to bring their children over," Melanie Winter said. "It's mainly to keep them out of the way while their parents are moving horses out to the race track to train. They can swing, play in the sandbox and watch movies. I have lots of crafts — recyclable things, things donated by Wal-Mart and friends. We make yarn babies, picture frames, anything that strikes us."

Melanie Winter said her husband had been doing a ministry in Mescalero at the rehabilitation center and Sunday services at the ski areas for the last two seasons, and started at the racetrack in July of 2001.

"He held services, he walked the barns and saw the need for the kids' program," she said.

"The kids are in the barns when the horses are working out, and they have to dodge the barns, that's why I started the program," he said. "I put up a swing set first thing — from donations to the (racetrack) chapel. Then I got a load of sand and we made a sandbox. One of the jockeys and the husband of a valet put it together. There's been a lot of support from the people."

In June, the Fort Worth, Texas, Walnut Ridge Baptist Church put on a vacation Bible school at the grandstands for the children of the Backside.

Two weeks later, Eastland Baptist Church, another Texas church group, did the same thing.

Then the Kidz Klub did a bake sale and raised $1,000 to send seven children to children's camp and three to teen camp at the Nazarene camp on Angus Hill.

"Most teens are working," Winter said. "We even had a 12-year-old who got off work to go to camp."

On July 3, the Kidz Klub had a Fourth of July party.

"We rented one of those blow-up jumpy toys that kids jump around in. That was a hit. And we had over 175 hot-dogs and hamburgers and the group from Walnut Ridge," he said.

For Aug. 14, he organized a back-to-school party with a piñata, gave away school supplies, served up hot-dogs and played games.

Winter has been able to get families involved because he has a sound system and broadcasts to the Backside about activities planned for children and families, he said.

"There are 500 people in the Backside, and probably 30 or 40 children," he said. "They travel to different racetracks, and a lot of people leave their families and just the men come and work. Most have homes in El Paso."

One little boy wanted a computer this summer, and Winter sent him over to the First Baptist Church, which happened to have an old one and gave it to him.

The program is as much about families as it is about children. The racetrack chapel chipped in to buy a set of false teeth for one man who hadn't had teeth in seven years.

"The people back here don't have the problem of gambling. They love the horses, the thrill of the race, and they're very generous, caring and loving. A guy has cancer and approached Darrell about doing a bake sale, and we raised $800. People would drop off $100 checks. It's a lot bigger than just the Kidz Klub. It's a family."

Winter conducts a devotion service 30 minutes before the first race on every race day, and the starter approved of him doing a devotional for the gate crew, too.

Shirley Burelsmith, a trainer who spends her winters in El Paso, Texas, and her summers in Ruidoso, has been teaching Sunday school at the track for years. Until the Winters arrived, she said, she had only one or two children attending. Now she usually has about 12 children, and a couple of weeks ago as many as 21.

Winter is a member of Race Track Chaplains of America, composed of the 45 chaplains for the 60 race tracks across the country, and he plans to share his ideas of children's programs at the national convention in January, he said.

The Winters' salaries, the Kidz Klub and other special projects are funded through bake sales and other fundraisers and by the R. D. and Joan Dale Hubbard Foundation.

"This is just an easy ministry," Winter said. "The horse people are so kind."

COURTESY SHIRLEY BURLESMITH

Donations from the Hubbard Foundation and others furnished some school supplies to the children for their Back-to-School party.

looking back

LINCOLN COUNTY SCRAPBOOK

AUG. 24, 1962

'Subterfuge' alleged

Learning at the last minute Monday this week that the Villa Corporation had purchased a liquor license and had posted a pasture near Ruidoso for its transference from Oscura in the western part of Lincoln County to a site just beyond five miles of this city, and that that pasture site had been brought within the five- mile limit of Ruidoso when village officials Monday extended the city limits northward, several Ruidoso liquor dealers angrily charged "subterfuge."

Ronnie Battles, operator of the Hollywood Inn in Ruidoso Downs, said ... "I paid $40,000 for (my license), and such a price should entitle us to protection from the issuance of too many licenses."

AUG. 25, 1972

Runnels backs water plan

United States Congressman Harold Runnels, D-N.M.,, New Mexico's 2nd Congressional District, met with Ruidoso village officials Tuesday and assured them that he was very much interested in Ruidoso and the current Ruidoso water storage, distribution and expansion project.

Runnels told the village council that he personally would keep close tab on the village's application ... for a federal grant for the project.

AUG. 24, 1962

Trophy sponsors needed

Ruidoso Business Association is continuing to look for trophy sponsors for the Ruidoso Motorcycle Festival, Sept. 29 to Oct. 2. About 30 of the 116 trophies that will be presented at the festival still need sponsors, according to Nancy Radziewicz, an RBA director.

AUG. 27, 1992

Land boss lost, found

Caravans of pickup trucks bumped over the back roads between Lincoln and Sierra Blanca Regional Airport Tuesday in search of the elusive federal director of the Bureau of Land Management.

While they waited in Lincoln, he was landing in an agency aircraft at the airport.

When a small group left to check the airport, director Cy Jamison was touring a soggy tract of land along the Rio Bonito.

Opponents of the BLM's proposed acquisition of 1,115 acres along the river claimed a public meeting had been called...

Many attend county Historical Society meeting near Arabela

LINCOLN TRAILS

ROSALIE DUNLAP

The Lincoln County Historical Society had a great day Saturday at the Lavender Spring Ranch near Arabela. There were over a 100 in attendance. Elvis Fleming gave his usual interesting talks on "Captain Lea."

Hosts Bess and Cliff Crouch gave a short history of the ranch.

The Historical Society has collected so much history of Lincoln County and its people. If anyone has information, certificates of interest, photos, papers, etc., please contact the society in Carrizozo.

Members have all the up-to-date technology with which they are able to copy any information and give the original back that day.

Lincoln is very proud of that facility – one of the most up-to-date in the area and maybe the state.

It must be near fall weather. The county fair is over and the schools are filled with the laughter and chatter of the students for the coming school year. College students have returned to their respective schools.

The Masons of New Mexico are holding a Grand Lodge Meeting in Carrizozo Aug. 24. They will meet from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and then they will have some free time. That evening there will be an open banquet followed by a dance.

This activity is open to the public. The cost will be $25 per couple for the steak dinner and dance.

The Creative Memories group held their quarterly retreat the past weekend at the Fort Lone Tree facility.

Some 20 people were in attendance. Mignon Sims of Alamogordo brought her stand-alone printer and everyone enjoyed making copies of their photos. The next retreat will be Nov. 1-3 at Fort Lone Tree. For more information, contact me or Carol Wilson at Ancho.

Patricia Coleman, my granddaughter, of Phoenix, participated in the retreat. She thoroughly enjoyed herself and hopes to return for the spring retreat.

Ralph Dunlap will present a slide show on his work in Uzbekistan Sept. 6 at the Capitan Library.

Sept. 11 memorial events at the Lincoln State Monuments will include free admission in honor of military personnel, firefighters, policemen, volunteers and the families who suffered losses. Red, white and blue ribbons will be attached to a handout to be given to each visitor. The handout will state what freedom is.

A large American flag will be draped over Lincoln's fire truck and parked in front of the Courthouse Museum. The red, white and blue bunting will be draped from the Courthouse balcony.

There will be an art poster displayed in the Luna house for the public to paint on.

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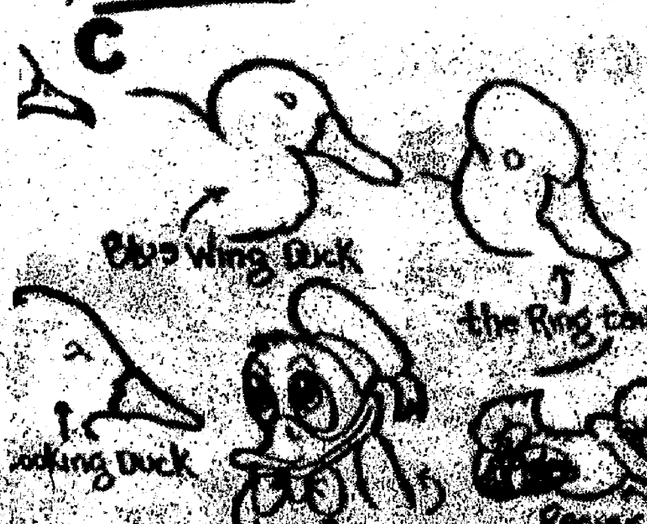

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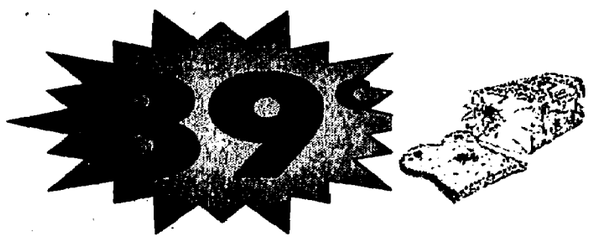

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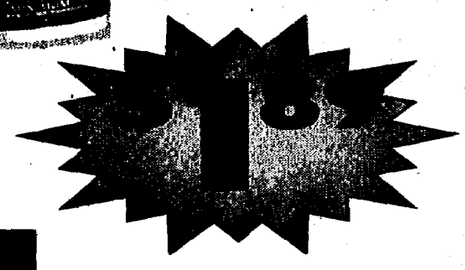

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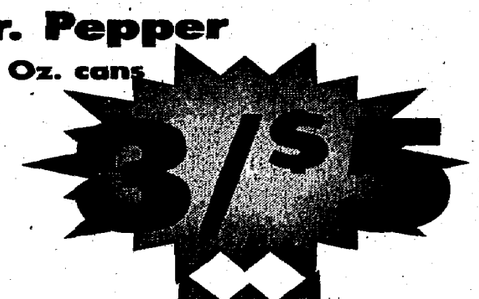

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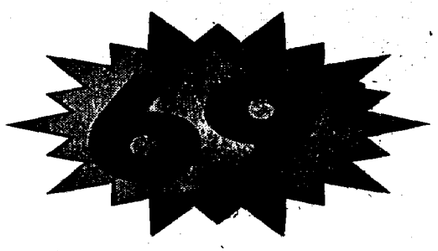

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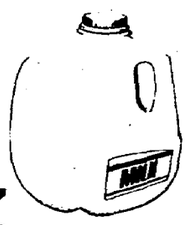

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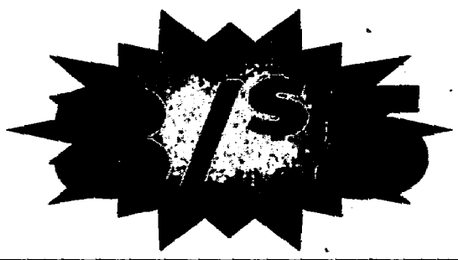

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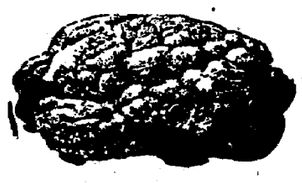

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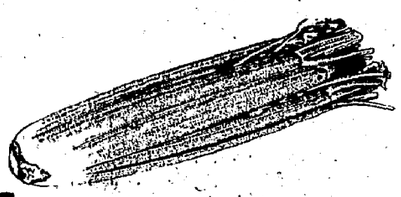

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6:30 p.m. — Duck Royalty Pageants — DPS Auditorium

Friday, August 23, 2002

6:30 p.m. — Sponsor Party/Dinner — Lulac Hall

9pm-1 a.m. — Great American Family Dance — (Cost $5) Sponsors free Music by County Line — Lulac Hall — Sponsored by Circle S Western Emporium

Saturday, August 24, 2002

All Day — Carniva — Courthouse Park

All Day — Duck Mart/Vendors — Courthouse Park

All Day — Mechanical Bull Ride — Courthouse Park

7a.m.-10 a.m. — Kiwanis Kickoff Breakfast (Cost $4) — Courthouse Park

7 a.m. — Hot Air Balloon Mass Ascension — Deming Soccer Field

8 a.m.-Midnight — Duck Race Softball Tournament — Hooten Park (Nickel & Buckeye St.)

10 a.m. — Horseshoe Tournament — Courthouse Pits

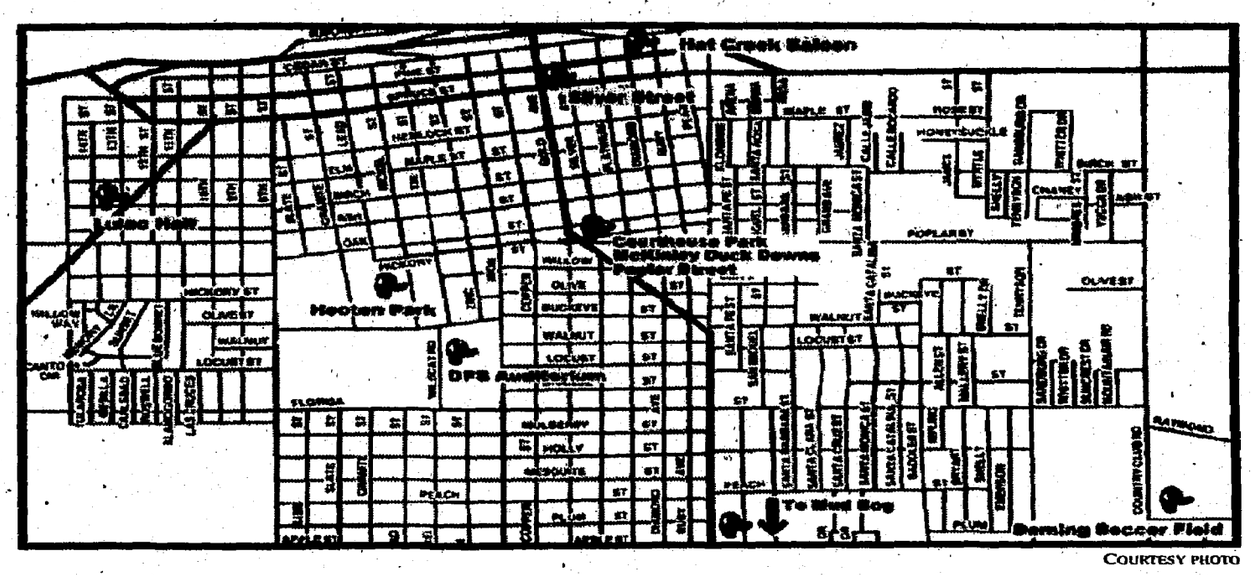
10 a.m. — Tournament of Ducks Parade —Downtown Deming

11 a.m.-6 p.m. — Entertainment/Stage Area — Courthouse Park

11 a.m.-4 p.m. — St. Ann's Bingo — Courthouse Park

Noon — Green Chili Cookoff — Courthouse Park

Noon — Live Duck Race/Water Race ($5 entry) — McKinley Duck Downs



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Noon — Innvocation/Opening Ceremonies — Deming Ministerial Alliance

5:30 p.m. — EDC's Outhouse Race — Silver Street

6:00 p.m. — Florida Mud Bog Race — 7060 Rockhound Rd. SE

8 p.m. — Hot Air Balloon Glow — Soccer Field

9 p.m.-1 a.m. — Duck Race Dance — Hat Creek Saloon

Sunday, August 25, 2002

All Day — Carnival — Courthouse Park

All Day — Duck Mart/Vendors — Courthouse Park

All Day — Mechanical Bull Ride — Courthouse Park

7 a.m. — Hot Air Balloon Mass Ascension — Deming Soccer Field

8 a.m.-Midnight — Duck Race Softball Tournament — Hooten Park (Nickel & Buckeye St.)

10 a.m. — Great American Tortilla Toss — Poplar Street

10 a.m. — Washer Tournament — Courthouse Pits

11a.m.-6 p.m. — Entertainment/Stage Area — Courthouse Park

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Noon — Live Duck Race/Water Race ($5 entry) — McKinley Duck Downs

3 p.m. — Duck Race eliminations/finals — McKinley Duck Downs

4 p.m. — Belt Buckle Drawing — McKinley Duck Downs

Park Entertainment Schedule
Saturday, August 24, 2002

10:30-11:00 a.m. — DJ-Quality Entertainment Victor Denogean, Deming

11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. — "Chuy" Comedian, El Paso, TX

Noon-1:00 p.m. — Abel Delgado, One Man Band — All kinds of music, Deming

1:00-1:30pm — Comedian — El Paso, TX

1:30-3:00 p.m. — Grupo Illusion Spanish, Silver City

3:00-4:30 p.m. — Grupo Constellscion Deming, NM

3:30-4:00 p.m. — Good Time Squares Square Dance, Deming

4:00-5:30 p.m. — Bill Howard Tejano Band, Lubbock, TX

5:30-7:00 p.m. — Tila Jones Ranchera, Nortena, Pop, El Paso, TX

7:00-8:30 p.m. — Gabriel Rivera Pop Rock, El Paso, TX

Sunday, Aug. 25, 2002

9:00-10:00 a.m. — Quality Entertainment Victor Denogean, Deming

10:00am-12:00 p.m. — Robyn Rivas Mountain Mariachis, Las Cruces

12:00-1:30 p.m. — Audry Garcia All kinds of music

1:30-3:00 p.m. — Jessie Flores Rock Band

3:00-4:30 p.m. — Mike Nunez Singer/Songwriter El Paso, TX

4:30-6:00 p.m. — Ricky Rock Music, El Paso, TX

6:00-7:30 p.m. — Carlos Ortega Heavy Metal, Las Cruces

7:30-8:00 p.m. — Quality Entertainment Victor Denogean, Deming

Registration quickly approaching

BY KEVIN BUEY
HEADLIGHT STAFF

Duck racing begins Saturday at noon at McKinley Downs, in Courthouse Park. There's a $5 entry fee, which qualifies a duck jockey to participate as long as he or she advances through rounds.

Registration deadlines are quickly approaching for events in the 23rd Annual Great American Dick Race.

Deming's annual weekend of national fame culminates, Saturday and Sunday, with duck races at Courthouse Park's McKinley Downs.

This year's race is dedicated to Harold Cousland, one of the race founders. A Deming native, Cousland died last September.

Former Deming resident Hillary Floren, of El Paso's KVIA-TV, is Grand Marshal of the annual Tournament of Ducks Parade, Saturday morning, at 10 a.m.

Registration for the parade, which forms at 8 a.m. Saturday, is 5 p.m., Wednesday, at the chamber of commerce.

The parade will feature the usual assortment of floats and vehicles and marchers, but many businesses are expected to use it for advertising purposes, politicians will make appearances in this election year and Ronald McDonald will be in the formation.

There are several other events tied to the races.

The Duck Royalty pageant, is at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, at Deming Public Schools Auditorium. Registration deadline is today, at 5 p.m. at Circle S Western Emporium, 400. West Pine Street.

There's the Duck Race Softball Tournament, Saturday and Sunday, at Hooten Park. Registration deadline was Tuesday, at 10 p.m.

The Green Chili Cookoff, judged at noon at courthouse Park, Saturday, has a 5 p.m. entry deadline, Friday, at Border Foods.

Registration for Saturday's Outhouse Race on Silver Avenue closes at midnight, Friday, at D-led Speedway Corp., 111 W. Pine Street.

Saturday's Horseshoe Tournament, Sunday's Washer Toss Tournament and Sunday's Tortilla Toss, each scheduled in Courthouse Park, have registration immediately before their respective 10 a.m. starts.

Duck racing begins Saturday at noon at McKinley Downs, in Courthouse Park. There's a $5 entry fee, which qualifies a duck jockey to participate as long as he or she advances through rounds. Saturday's races continue until about 5 p.m. and resume at noon Sunday. Racers enter the home stretch of elimination rounds at about 3 p.m., with winners determined around 5 p.m.

There's a 4 p.m. drawing Sunday for the belt buckle designed for the race by local craftsman Dennis Eaglestar.

Friday at 6:30 p.m., there's a Sponsor Party and Dinner at LULAC Hall. That's also the location from 9 p.m. Friday 'til the wee hours Saturday of the Great American Family Dance, sponsored by Circle S Western Emporium.

Hot Air Mass Balloon Ascensions are scheduled at 7 a.m. Saturday and Sunday at Deming Soccer Fields.

The Kiwanis host a 7-10 a.m. breakfast Saturday in Courthouse Park.

St. Ann's Bingo is from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, and noon to 3 p.m. Sunday in Courthouse Park.

The weekend also includes numerous vendors and carnival rides scattered around Courthouse Park.

There's the Florida Mud Bog Race, Saturday at 6 p.m., at 7060 Rockhound Road SE, a Hot Air Balloon Glow at the Soccer Field at 8 p.m. and a Duck Race Dance starting at 9 p.m. at Hat Creek Saloon.

The duck race field is this expanding for for the second straight year, adding four water tracks. Last year, there were eight land tracks and four water tracks. There will be eight of each this year, in response to overwhelming popularity of the wet rack.

There are no adult or youth divisions this year, competitors instead grouped in an open category.

Each track is 16 feet long.

Heat winners earn $10, runners-up $5. Each advances to Sunday's quarterfinals. From there, the top two advance to semifinals heats. The top two in each semifinal reach the final. Only one prize will be awarded in each division with a minimum of $300 guaranteed and perhaps as much as $600 or $700, if the races draw as well as last year.

Last year's winner-take-all award in the wet track competition was $495, won by then-Deming Middle Schooler Sharlene Flesher.

Youth winner Deryk Perales, a Smith Elementary School second-grader last year, won $100. Second place was worth $100, third $50. The Adult Division winner was El Paso's Ed Ross, who won $500. Second place was worth $350, third $200. Estimates were Courthouse Park drew 8,000 visitors over the two days of racing.

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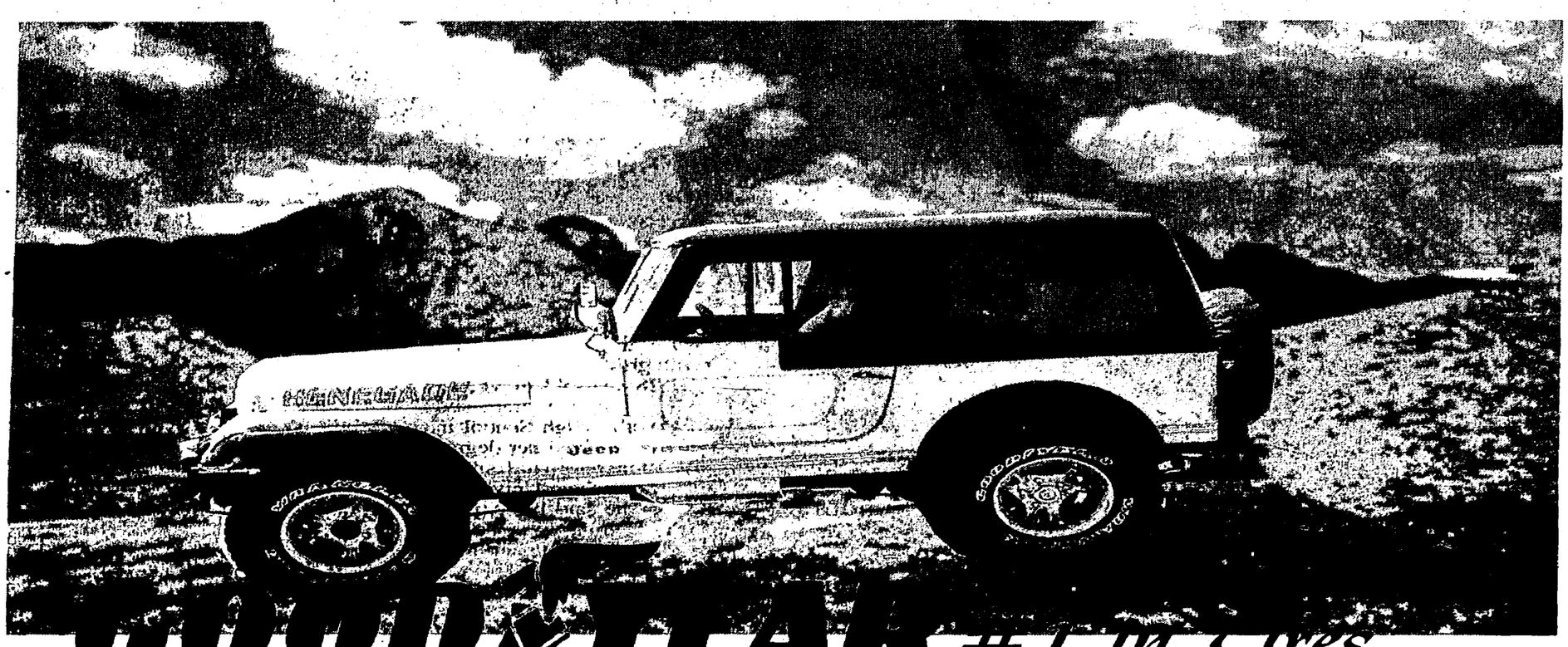

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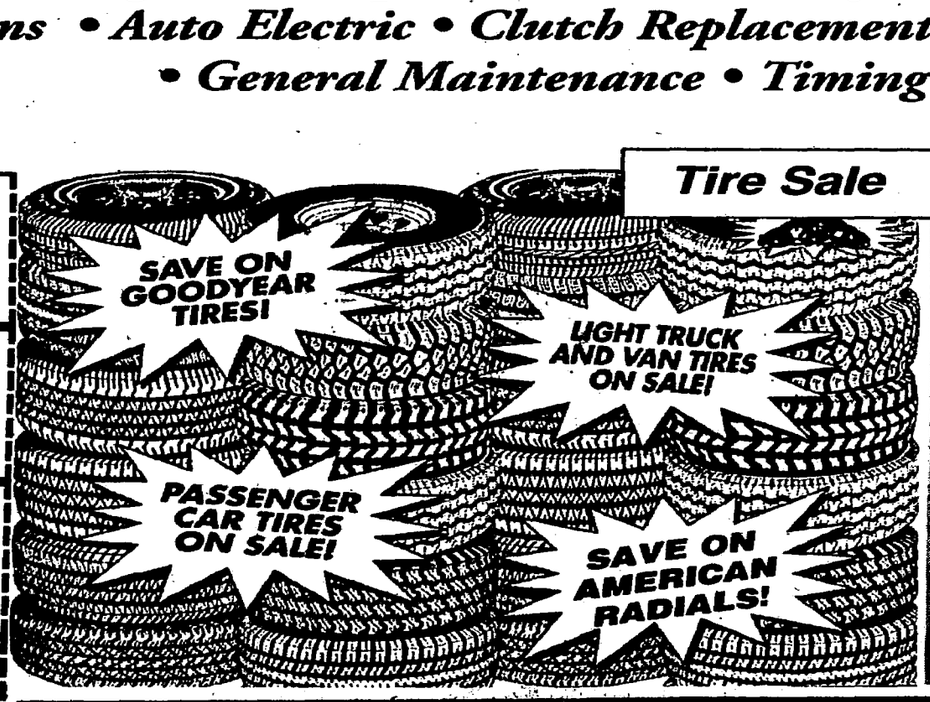

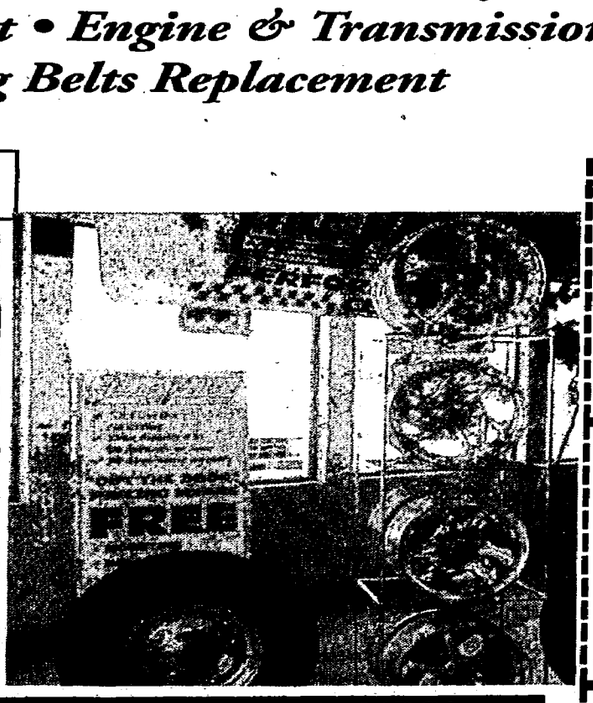

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2002 Duck Race dedicated to Harold Cousland, co-founder

JOSHUA BYERS
HEADLIGHT EDITOR

The 2002 Great American Duck Race is dedicated to Harold Cousland, one of the original founders of the annual festival.

Duck Race organizer Dave Johnson said the decision was an easy one.

"Since he passed away after last year's duck race we thought it would be appropriate to honor him since he was one of the original founders," Johnson said.

Johnson said the Duck Races have really "taken off" in the year's since its inception and they've helped to put Deming on the map.

"We've had good years and bad years but we keep plucking away and we try to make the duck races better each year," he said.

One evening in 1980, Cousland and a few friends met over after-work drinks to brainstorm ways to get more people to visit Deming. Out of that meeting, with what Cousland described as "fun-loving cohorts," was born Deming's Great American Duck Race. In the 22 years the event has been conducted, it has drawn hundreds of thousands of visitors to Deming.

Johnson said it was "hard to say in just a few words what kind of man he was. The people who were here and knew Harold certainly know what kind of man he was."

He said Cousland was always involved in the races and usually wrote special columns about the event which helped to get the word out.

"I can remember back to the first few years of the race and he was the publicity person," Johnson recalled. "Part of the success initially I think can be attributed to him directly and his work at the Headlight."

Without Harold's vision a couple of decades ago there just might not be a Great American Duck Race today. He along with others, including the late Bill McKinley, Joe "Butter" Milo, Bernie Green and Steve Marlowe, are this events true founding fathers.

Johnson said that it's with this in mind that The 23rd Annual Great American Duck Race will be dedicated to his memory.

"Harold handled the publicity, he had all the connections with the Associated Press in Albuquerque and a lot of the media people," Milo said. "I think that brought some state attention to the first duck race."

He said Harold's participation was a big part of the success of the event.

"It started out as a gag and here it is 23 years later and it's one of the bigger promotions in the state and I think Deming should be proud of that," Milo said. "Everything we did was for the good of the community and I think he would be honored to be recognized even in his absence.

COURTESY PHOTO

Harold Cousland, left, with pen and notebook on hand covering an award presentation at one of the first Great American Duck Races.

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"I think it's a tribute to Harold that this has lasted and they're still using a lot of his wit," Milo added. "And wherever he is I'm sure that the last weekend in August I know he's thinking 'they're racing ducks in Deming.'"

This year's race, Aug 22-Aug 25, will feature not only the traditional "land-based" duck race, pretty much the same as back in the early days, but also an expanded water track, where the duck actually swim the 16-foot course.

"We felt dedicating the whole race to Harold was the best way to proceed," Johnson said. "We thought rather than do one small thing we just wanted to dedicate the whole race to him."

In 1999, the Duck Races honored McKinley and this year the race will have signage at the duck race track in honor of Cousland.

Born in Deming in October 1942, Cousland's first brush with journalism was as editor of his Deming High School newspaper. He continued to chase news while attending the University of Arizona in Tucson, where he majored in journalism and minored in history.

He later earned a master's degree in history and left the Republic in 1967 to enroll in the University of New Mexico's School of Law. But he couldn't stay away from journalism, and he left UNM to become city editor of the Santa Fe New Mexican.

Cousland returned to Deming in 1969 to edit the twice-weekly Deming Graphic/Deming Headlight and help out at the family ranch.

Cousland's 37-year career as a journalist included reporting and editing positions for major papers and small-town weeklies. In addition to being the editor of the Las Cruces Sun-News, some of those newspapers included the Deming Headlight and Graphic, the Santa Fe New Mexican, the Albuquerque Journal, and the Arizona Republic.

A combination of his journalistic excellence and compassion for people in his career led to his induction into the New Mexico Press Association Hall of Fame in October, 2000.

Although Cousland had to have a kidney transplant in 1994, it didn't slow him down or diminish his zeal and dedication to journalistic excellence.

Seven years after his 1994 transplant, Cousland's kidneys began to fail him again in late August. Despite undergoing dialysis for at least four hours a day three times a week, he continued to run the Sun-News newsroom.

Cousland passed away at age 58 in late September 2001.

For more information on this year's Duck Race, call toll free (888) 345-1125, or visit our website at www.demingduckrace.com.

"We appreciate all of our sponsors and we're thinking this is going to be the best race ever," Johnson said, adding Duke Energy North American and the Deming Energy Facility are this year's corporate sponsor.

Floren says it wasn't a hard decision to be Grand Marshal

BY DESMA MONTELLANO
HEADLIGHT STAFF

She said it wasn't hard to make the decision whether or not to accept this year's title of Grand Marshal for Deming's Great American Duck Race parade, but was happy and flattered just to be asked.

KVIA-TV's host for Good Morning El Paso and noon anchor, Hillary Floren, said she loved attending the duck races while growing up in Deming.

"I've been to almost every one (GADR) they've had, and I used to beg my mom to go back to the second and third day," Floren said.

Floren, mom of two-year-old Shea and seven-month-old Gabriella, and married to husband Tom, said what she loved and remembered most about the duck races while living here was the food and hometown atmosphere.

"The food booths! And it was the excitement of everybody being downtown. I really liked the duck races themselves and the parade was always the hugest thing. We never missed the parade," she said.

"My team even won the outhouse races two years in a row in high school."

The 28-year-old moved to Deming at age five, graduated from Deming High School in 1992, and received her degree in broadcast journalism at New Mexico State University, in 1997. She said her experiences in Deming have helped her stay motivated in her life.

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"The people are what makes Deming what it is, and I think the community is so unique because of the adults... there's so many I look up to," Floren said. The 2002 duck races are extra special for Floren, because besides being Grand Marshal, the events will be held in honor of one of her college professors — one GADR founder, Harold Cousland.

"I really feel honored to be a part of the duck races this year, because he was so instrumental to me and motivated me," Floren said. "He was one of my journalism professors, and he encouraged me and made a big impact in my life."

No doubt Floren will be a big part in making this year's celebration special as well as a success, but she says this week's duck races will be special for her in more ways than one, and she'll get to enjoy them with her family.

"Me and my husband are going to bring the kids out and they'll watch the parade and enjoy the festivities. I'll get to visit with my parents and visit friends," Floren said.

"I plan on doing the water track race, and I'd like to taste test in the Chili Cookoff... the hotter the better!"

Floren will be in the Tournament of the Ducks parade, which is scheduled for Saturday at 10 a.m.

GADR green chile cookoff a hot event

How are your culinary skills? Do you consider yourself a good cook? If so, then why not plan to enter the Great American Green Chile Cookoff, part of the 23rd annual Great American Duck Race, August 24-25, 2002 in Deming, New Mexico.

Any dish that uses green chile is eligable for the competition, and entrants must be non-commercial food preparers. Dishes should be prepared in a 12" by 19" aluminum pan.

The preferred green chile is Border Foods Green Chile, which will be provided at no charge to entrants, however any fresh green chile may be substituted. Entry deadline is 5pm, Friday, August 23rd. Entries must be turned in to Border Foods at 4065 J Street SE in Deming. A five pound bag of diced green chile will be provided to be used in the dish, and must be picked up before 5pm that Friday.

A maximum of 25 entries will be accepted, and the recipe must serve at least 100 one ounce servings.

First place winner receives $100 and three Border Food Gift Packs, second place $50 and two Border Food Gift Packs, and third place $25 and one gift pack. Spectators are welcome to purchase tasting cups of all the chile dishes for $1.

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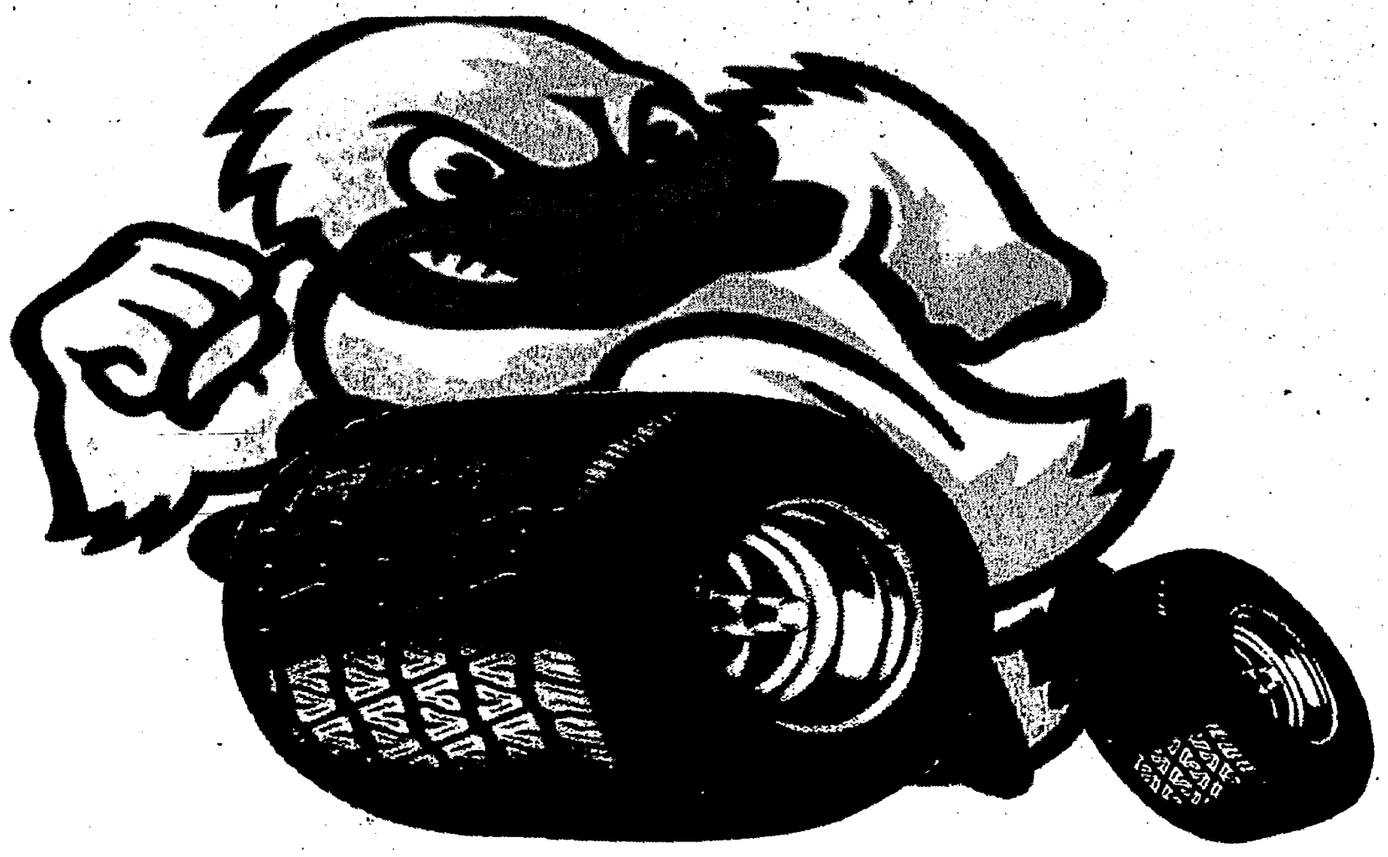

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Headlight Staff

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Duck trainer Steve Smith waters down some of the ducks that will be used in this year's Great American Duck Races.

Ducks pretty much have the run of Steve Smith's spread southeast of town.

Smith is the duck wrangler for the Great American Duck Race, Aug. 22-25. Races are Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 24-25, with other events before, during and after races.

Smith will provide ducks for the third straight year, as the GADR presents its 23rd weekend of craziness, Deming style.

"I still have ducks running everywhere," Smith said Wednesday, as training continued.

When Smith assumed the wrangling duties three race weekends ago, ducks were imported from Portales. Last year and this year, fewer and fewer ducks have been purchased.

"I retain some for breeding stock," says Smith, whose regular job is running Smith Salvage. "We raise some of our own."

At the end of each year's races, some of the ducks are sold.

"There are lots of private ponds and tanks in the county area," Smith says. "People like to put ducks on them."

But a goodly number help produce part of the next year's armada — "135, more than last year," Smith says of this year's duck count, "about 40 more. We're running extra lanes in the water track this year."

There will be eight water lanes and eight dry lanes, with the ducks waddling on land and wadding to the finish in the water. Last year, there were four wet tracks, an immensely popular, first-year innovation that spawned this year's expansion.

"We still get some from Portales," Smith says of the ducks, "through Farmer's Feed Store. We are not yet generating enough babies to keep us in the numbers we need."

With the expanded lanes, Smith wants an expanded fleet, so the ducks aren't overused. About 25 to 30 of this year's ducks will be imports.

The ducks are Ruens.

"They are a domestic version of flying mallards," Smith says, "and are bred without flight feathers, which means, basically, I don't have to do any trimming of their flight feathers. The duck is born and raised, and we don't have to do anything to make it run. I'm a firm believer in being as humane as possible. I don't like the ducks to be mistreated. I go to extremes to make sure they are not.

"That's the reason we went to more ducks this year, so we don't take a chance of them getting too tired. They're just like an athlete — when they get tired, they are more susceptible to injury. We want to be able to rotate the ducks and give them a breather."

Nor are the ducks numbered, which reduces chances duck jockeys will spot a good runner and want it over and over, resulting it it being overtaxed. Rather, the ducks are selected at random for each race.

Smith has lots of help training the ducks and on race days. Grandsons Tully Trantham, 9, and Dalton Trantham, 5, join him for the third year. Granddaughter Acey, 6 months, is new to the trade.

"She loves the activity and the noise and everything associated with them," Smith says of his granddaughter enjoying the ducks. "She's still in the crawling stage."

Daughter Darcy McWhorter also helps at the races, as do a pair of teens, Idie and Dexter Polley.

The ducks will be brought to McKinley Duck Downs each day at about 9 a.m., in a stock trailer and off-loaded into the Downs' holding pens hard by the race tracks. Racing begins at noon each day.

Jockeys are allowed to yell and scream, shout and cry, just about anything to try to get a duck moving, short of touching it after a race starts. Whether a jockey gets a fast or slow duck depends on the duck. All have been trained the same, Smith says.

"Our training procedures have been a close-tailed secret," he says. "We have some techniques we use, but because Deming is unique with duck races. We keep the training process secret."

Some ducks race better on water, some on land. Smith will have ducks separated by performance skill. Those who take well to either track will be available for both tracks.

Community shows support

By Desma Montellano
Headlight Staff

The local community has always come together to help support and finance the biggest celebration of the year — Deming's Great American Duck Races.

It's true that the key to the duck race's success is the number of sponsors that participate, and of course, how many "duck bucks" are given. Some local businesses who had not sponsored the GADR in recent years, showed their support by sponsoring this year's events.

Chief Quacker, Dave Johnson, said the number of duck race sponsors has slightly increased since last year, which is about 93, although the dollar amount to finance the duck races was about the same.

"The one thing I'd like to say is we've had some sponsors that hadn't been back for a while, and we sure do appreciate their support as well as the others," Johnson said. "I really feel we had a good response from the local businesses."

"That's where the money comes from - our sponsors. I thank them so much because without them we wouldn't be able to put on the festival," he said, adding the board did a great job in soliciting sponsors this year, which is why the GADR's budget is in good shape.

Local sponsors like Comcast Cable provided their duck bucks to this week's festivities.

> *Johnson said the board did a great job in soliciting sponsors this year.*

Southwestern New Mexico Comcast Cable Manager, Manny Orquiz, said it's always good for the community when a lot of people come to town.

"Deming's known for pure water and fast ducks, and I'm glad to see that coming back. The events help the community as a whole, and helps everyone all the way around," Orquiz said.

"We don't sponsor to get any new customers because that's not the way it works. "We just want to be a part of the community and to give back. It's a big thing for the kids, racing the ducks, and we want to be a part of it. I think it's very relaxing and fun to see friends. It's a great weekend for a family to spend together," he said.

Duke Energy's Project Director, Grady Allen, said the company also likes giving back to the community, and said he's enjoyed the warm welcome they've received.

"Duke Energy is interested in participating in local community events, and this is a way in which we can contribute, that helps bring tourism to the town;" Allen said. "It's just a way of being an active participant in the community.

"We plan to participate in several of the events as we did last year, and we look forward to it. It's very fun," he said.

Foxworth-Galbraith's General Manager, Roger Young, said it's important for their business to support and participate in the duck races because they're a family-owned business.

"We are a part of the community and want to support it," Young said. "This is a major event for Deming, and it's a once-a-year event that allows Deming to shine. It's an opportunity to showcase our community to the state as to the benefits of living here and being a part of Deming.

"The only thing that will make it (duck races) successful is if the community is active in attending the events and participating. If you're sponsoring, we need to see you out participating and enjoying the duck races," he said.

Charlene Wood, of accounts payable for the Cooper Agency, said an incentive for sponsoring the duck races is helping to bring more business to Deming.

"It's a nice event that gives the town a lot of recognition nationwide, and it's also a good, family oriented event, "Wood said. "It gives the kids something to do, and we encourage people to go out and support it, because a lot of people put in a lot of work."

Sponsors

Duke Energy is again on board as a Corporate ($5000) sponsor for the 2002 races! Other sponsors as of 7/31/2002:

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GADR balloon rally a feature event

One of the most colorful and high-flying events of the Great American Duck Race is the annual Balloon Rally.

Weather permitting, the balloons ascend in the early morning both Saturday and Sunday.

The 2002 Great American Balloon Rally is August 24-25.

The annual event is headed by long-time duck race committee member and board member Marie Pinchuk and her husband Mike.

Both Marie and Mike have been involved with the GADR Balloon Rally since moving to Deming in May of 1990.

They were avid boaters on Long Island and decided that 90 miles to Elephant Butte was not an option. They went upstate NY for a balloon ride, liked it and within 6 months sold the boat and bought a balloon. "Oh How Happy!" was purchased in Freehold NJ in April 1988.

In September of 1992 Mike earned his private wings and in July 1995 Marie earned her commercial rating. They became active with the Duck Races as the only balloon owners in Deming and have been the coordinators of this fun event since the 1991 Races.

Marie selects music that she likes and hopes that the audience will enjoy it also at our Saturday evening Balloon Glow. This year the selection is reflective of the loss of Dale Earnhardt at the Daytona 500 in February, 2001, the 25th anniversary of the death of Elvis Presley on Aug 16th 2002, the events of September 11, 2001 and of course their roots from New York. It is not only a sentimental review of the past year but also a selection of good music.

On both Saturday & Sunday mornings at 7:00 am weather permitting, 24 brightly colored, locally sponsored hot air balloons will take to the skys of Deming in a "Hare & Hound" race.

The balloonmeister is again this year Charlie Hines from Bosque Farms NM.

The public is always welcome to join the balloons on the field but because of the flameable propane, SMOKING IS NOT ALLOWED NEAR THE BALLOONS, the public is urged to use extreme caution when walking about not to step on the balloon fabric or interfere with the crews during set up or tear down.

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Duck racing and horsehoes

By Bill Armendariz
Headlight Sports Editor

Duck racing in Deming has become just as American as apple pie and horseshoe pitching.

The longstanding tradition of the Great American Duck Races is set to once again open the arena of Horseshoe pitching, along with the south-of-the-border art of huachas (washers) during the 23rd edition of this annual event, Aug. 24-25.

The World's Richest Horseshoe Tournament will be staged at 9 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 24, at Deming Duck Downs (Luna County Courthouse Park).

Registration for the partner's competition will be open until 10 a.m. and the double-elimination bracket will follow immediately after all pitcher's have signed in.

Partners for the event will be selected by a draw and participation will be limited to the first 52 pitchers to register.

The entry fee is $15 per pitcher and entry forms can be picked up at the Deming-Luna-Mimbres Chamber of Commerce, located at 800. West Spruce, right next to the train at the "Y" junction in town.

First place will split a $200 cash prize and the runner-up team will earn $150. The third-place finishers will receive $50. This is the minimum prize per team.

The horseshoe tournament has been a long-standing event with the Great American Duck Races and tournament director Ernesto Najera is anticipating pitchers from all parts to compete.

Last year's winners in a single's competition were Jarrod Arias, first; Steve Baldwin, second.

Huachas comes from Old Mexico and carries some of the same principles of horseshoe pitching, but from a different format.

Pitchers use a three-inch washer and try to land them into a four-inch hole in the ground from the same 40-foot distance as the horseshoe arena.

Huachas will register pitchers from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 25, at the Deming Duck Downs Horseshoe Pitching Pits. The doubles format for the tournament will follow.

Pitchers are allowed to bring their own partners and the entry fee is $15 per pitcher. Only the first 44 pitchers will be accepted.

Last year's winners were Andy Moses and Don Medina, first; Jesse Arias and Jarrod Arias, second; and Mike Trevizo and Eddie Burtt, third.

First place will pay out $200 to the winning team. Second place is $150 and third place will pay out $50. These are the minimum prizes.

Bill Armendariz/Headlight Photo

People come as far as Montana and Colorado to participate in the Great American Huachas Tournament.

AT A GLANCE

What: Great American Horseshoe and Huachas Tournaments.
When: Horseshoes at 9 a.m., Saturday, Aug. 24, and Huachas at 9 a.m., Sunday, Aug. 25.
Where: Deming Duck Downs' Horseshoe Pits (Luna County Courthouse Park).
Format: Both tournaments will be a partner's competition in a double-elimination bracket.
Fee: $15 per person, for both horseshoes and huachas.
Purse: First place will split $200 and the runnersup share is $150.

Duck races wouldn't be complete without the popular 20th annual Duck Race Softball Tournament

By Bill Armendariz
Headlight Sports Editor

Air space at the E.J. Hooten Recreational Complex on South Nickel Street will be off limits to low-flying ducks when the 20th annual Great American Duck Race Softball Tournaments get underway Aug. 24-25 in Deming.

The tournaments have traditionally been one of the biggest draws during the GADR Weekend and easily the biggest softball tournaments of the season in Deming.

Last year's event drew 24 teams, split into two brackets — a coed recreational format and a competitive men's open format.

"We hope to draw just as many teams as last year's and we will insure that everybody — from players, to their families and fans — all have a good time," said Deming High School assistant girls' basketball coach Silas Wilson.

The DHS girls' basketball program and Lady 'Cat softball program have alternated as hosts of the tournament over the past three years to help raise money for their respective programs.

"The money raised will be put to good use when we go on our tournament trips during our season," Wilson said. The Lady 'Cat varsity basketball team will spend a week in Tucson, Ariz. for the Pueblo High School Shootout, expected to draw 16 teams from as far as Washington, Alaska and California.

AT A GLANCE

What: Great American Softball Tournaments
When: Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 24-25.
Where: E.J. Hooten Recreational Complex on south Nickel St.
Brackets: Men's open and coed recreational.
Format: Double elimination, using USSSA rules.
Entry fee: $130 per team, per bracket.
Prizes: Awarded for teams first through third in each bracket.

The DHS girls' basketball program and Lady 'Cat softball program have alternated as hosts of the tournament over the past three years to help raise money for their respective programs.

The 'Cats also plan on attending the Albuquerque High Lady Bulldog Invitational where they will see some of the top Class 4A and 5A teams in the state.

This year's tournaments will be a double-elimination bracket with USSSA rules strictly enforced. Umpires will be certified.

The entry fee is $130 per team and men's teams must furnish two 47-core softballs and the coed teams are required to bring two 11-inch softballs.

Wilson said three fields will be used to accommodate the teams with the majority of men's games being played on the big field.

Local teams entered in the men's bracket to date are the Lazy Lizards, Mojaxx, Young Guns, Boiler Dogs, Summits, Enforcers and Youngsters.

Coed teams entered include Lazy Lizards and Las Cruces teams Kecumba and Playerz.

First-place teams in each bracket will receive tournament T-shirts and a team trophy.

Runner-up teams will receive a cooler bag and a team trophy.

Third-place teams will receive a team trophy.

"We will award a female and male most valuable player for the tournaments," Wilson said.

Crowds at the Hooten Complex have praised the facility during past duck race softball tournaments for its shade trees, concession area and Deming hospitality.

"We plan to dish out more of the same this year," Wilson said. "We have Lady 'Cat basketball players and their parents volunteering time that weekend and the basketball coaches will also help with the brackets, concessions and groundskeeping.

The deadline for entry into the tournament brackets is Aug. 22, 2002. For more information, contact Jerome Sandoval at (505)546-3947, Silas Wilson (505)546-3922, Stephanie Hervol, (505)544-3520 or Teresa Gutierrez, 649-2278.

Big payoffs for this year's races

Expect big prizes at this year's 23rd Annual Great American Duck Race in Deming.

This year both the dry and wet track winners will be looking at a jackpot prizes.The more people that participate, the more money offered as prizes.

Here's how it will work. Both the dry and wet track will feature eight 16 foot long lanes for the ducks to run or swim. We have done away with the youth and adult divisions on the dry track, and instead will offer only one division open to all.

This is the same procedure followed last year for the premier of the wet track. The wet track has been expanded from four to eight lanes this year after its popularity in

2001. The race course itself has been totally redesigned.

During the initial stage of the race, each heat winner will receive $10 cash, and second place $5. Since the cost to enter is $5, that means first place doubles their investment, and second place is paid back their entry fee.

Both first and second will advance to the Quarterfinals on Sunday.

Once in the quarterfinals, the top two will advance to the semifinals, and the first two finishers in the semifinals will advance to the finals.

The pay-out for both races will be "winner take all". Only a first place prize for both the wet and dry track will be offered. The Great American Duck Race will guarentee a minimum prize of $300 for the wet race and $300 for the dry race.

That is the minimum prize pay-out. Based on last year's participation, we expect the actual prize to be somewhere in the neighborhood of $600-700, or possibly even more.

The Great American Duck Race will be August 22nd-25th in Deming, New Mexico.

Besides the Duck Race, other events include Hot Air Balloons, Duck Royalty Pageant, Tournament of Ducks Parade, Tortilla Toss, Outhouse Race, Green Chile Cookoff, Softball Tournament, dances, carnival, bingo and more.

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Mud bog racing draws drivers from all around

By Bill Armendariz
Headlight Sports Editor

Great American Duck Race fans will get another shot at seeing what racing through mud and sand are like when the Florida Mud Bog Inc. hosts the second annual Great American Mud Bogs, Saturday, Aug. 24, 2002, at the foothills of the Florida Mountains.

Race organizer Shelly McDougal expects a full racing card for the mud and sand pits and the tough truck competition and charity go-cart races.

"It's been a good season so far and we had a great time with last year's duck race mud bogs," McDougal said. "We have drivers coming from as far away as Colorado and we get the usual racing teams from Arizona, West Texas and Silver City, Lordsburg and Las Cruces."

Drivers have a choice of running their vehicles through a mud pit, sand pit or tough truck course in timed events.

The Florida Mud Bogs Inc. keeps track of times and finishes and a points total is accumulated throughout the season.

Bill Armendariz/Headlight Photo

The Great American Mud Bogs attracts drivers from as far away as Colorado and Arizona.

"In our points standings we are going to offer some money at the end of the year and it's sort of like an incentive the drivers can look forward to," McDougal stated.

The points standings has created a bog of its own in the different classes the driver's race in.

"We have a grudge match going on with out pro class between the "Pit Pig" and the "Pit Boss," McDougal said.

Tim Martin out of Las Cruces is running the "Pit Pig" with nitrous oxide and a blower. He's been spitting mud down the strip in just under two seconds.

Kent Hardy is running the "Pit Boss" with two-wheel drive and keeping pace with his rival.

The second running of the Great American Mud Bog will begin at 5 p.m. with charity go-cart races.

The go-carts are open to anyone who wants to race and help raise money for local charities.

The charity selected for this race will be the Luna County Sheriff's Department "Shop with a Cop" Shoe Drive for children.

The sand racing is a relatively new event and will begin at 6 p.m.

The pro class drivers usually race through the sand and have posted average times of fractions over a second.

"We set this up especially for the pro class drivers. They really zip through the sand and the driver's say their vehicles handle a lot better and are easier to move out of if they stall," McDougal explained.

The tough truck competition features a series of jumps and bumps along a hair-pin course designed to prove a vehicles' mettle.

"People really like to see the beatings these trucks and cars can take," McDougal said. "It's a real crowd pleaser."

The mud bogs will follow immediately after with the popular super stock class slinging mud all over the place.

The Florida Mud Bog is located south on State Road 11 and turn left on Rock Hound Road (LCROA Road). Travel seven miles until you see the mud bog signs.

Admission is $5 for adults and $1 for children. Registration for racing is slated for 3 p.m., the day of the races.

AT A GLANCE

What: Second annual Great American Florida Mud Bogs.
When: 5 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 24.
Where: Florida Mud Pit, located at the foot of the Florida Mountains off Rock Hound Road.
Events: Charity go-cart races, tough truck competition, sand pit races and mud bogs.
Admission: Adults, $5; children, $1.

Tortilla toss enjoys successful revival thanks to Rotary Club

By Bill Armendariz
Headlight Sports Editor

Thank's to the effort of the local Rotary Club in Deming, the Great American Tortilla Toss is enjoying a successful revival as part of the 23 annual Great American Duck Races in Deming, Aug. 24-25, 2002.

The community service organization got a push from duck race co-founder Joe "Butter" Milo who invited the Rotarians to pick up the event that had been shelved for the past two years, due to various reasons.

"The main reason they decided to stop the Tortilla Toss was because they couldn't find enough volunteers to run it on a Sunday morning the weekend of the Duck Races," Milo pointed out.

The civic-minded Rotarians agreed to sponsor the event, slated for 10 a.m., Sunday, Aug. 25, and Milo — who co-founded the Tortilla Toss along with Steve Marlowe — said he couldn't wait to see the flour patties fly.

"Tortilla Flats," located directly behind the Deming Duck Downs (Luna County Courthouse Park), will be the launching pad for throwers who enter the competition.

Registration will be accepted between 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. at Tortilla Flats and the aero-dynamically designed tortillas will once again be provided by Amigo's Mexican Foods in Deming.

Each dried tortilla that will be used in the competition has been hermetically sealed and left on the porch of Amigo's menudo and burrito factory to ensure the tortilla's airborne ability, durability and accuracy.

The Tortilla Toss purse will pay out $50 for first place and $25 for second place in five different divisions.

Two of the youth divisions will pay out $25 for first and $15 for second.

The Tosser Class is for males, ages 17-54; the Tossera Class is for females, ages 17-54; the Tossero Class is coed for ages 55 and older, the Tossito Class is for males, ages 13-16; the Tossita Class is for females, ages 13-16; the Tosserito Class is coed for six and under and the Tositto Class is for coed, ages 7-12.

AT A GLANCE

What: Great American Tortilla Toss.
When: 10 a.m., Sunday, Aug. 25, 2002.
Where: Tortilla Flats (formerly Poplar St. between the Luna County Courthouse and the Luna County Sheriff's Dept.
Object: Toss a dried tortilla for distance and accuracy.
Fee: $15 per person, two tortillas per customer. Only the best throw will be measured.
Purse: $50 for first and $25 for second in each age division (except two youth divisions will pay out $25 and $15.

The civic-minded Rotarians agreed to sponsor the event, slated for 10 a.m., Sunday, Aug. 25, and Milo — who co-founded the Tortilla Toss along with Steve Marlowe — said he couldn't wait to see the flour patties fly.

Tossers in the past have used different styles to bring home money. Tortillas have been delivered underhand, overhand, three-quarter heave, Frisbee style and grenade style.

Each tosser will get two tortillas to throw and their best shot will be measured for distance and accuracy.

"It's a very entertaining competition and we expect a lot of people to come out and support the Great American Duck Races with a tortilla toss or two," Milo stated.

The public is generally invited during a practice round to throw a tortilla and get the feel for it, Milo added.

"You might pocket some Duck Dollars," he said, "and the tortillas that litter Tortilla Flats after the competition make good scratch feed for the ducks after a hard day of racing."

Outhouse race ready to roll

By Bill Armendariz
Headlight Sports Editor

City councilman Joe "Butter" Milo is issuing a challenge for racing competition in the 2002 Great American Outhouse Race.

"Polish the porcelain, tidy up the toilet and clean the commode... J & J Printing is out for another championship title when the fuel-injected flushers make another run down Silver Avenue, Aug. 24 in Deming," Milo boasted.

The patriarch of the family-owned and operated J & J Printing business in Deming has ruled the fabled stretch of Silver Avenue, between Gold and Spruce Streets since the beginning of the World's Richest Outhouse Race back in 1985.

That stretch of road rivals the famous "Brickyard," in more ways than one.

"It's time for racing teams to figure out the aero-dynamics of their flushers and get their engineering teams to put the final touches on their souped up thrones... The races are about to begin," Milo said.

His biggest rival has been The T-Shirt Print Shop, another family-owned and operated business in the Deming downtown area.

Gabe Dominguez and his toilet trainers interrupted Milo's run during the 1990s and should lend another chapter that would take its rank among the Hatfields and McCoys, the Celtics and the Lakers and the Dodgers and the Yankees.

This year's Outhouse Race will be held Saturday, Aug. 24, at 6 p.m. and is sponsored by the Economic Development Committee and local merchants.

A $50 entry fee is required per outhouse and an inspection team view the outhouses' at 3 p.m., Friday, Aug. 23, at the First New Mexico Bank.

Divisions for the race include mens, womens and coed.

Three pushers and one jockey will maneuver their outhouse through the course while picking up a roll a toilet paper along the way.

The first outhouse and crew to cross the finish line and secure their toilet paper on a pin is declared the winner.

Elimination heats will begin at 6 p.m., following the Parade of Champions.

The outhouses must have at least three sides and three wheels. The outhouse must also be able to negotiate turns.

Entry forms for the race can be picked up at J & J Printing, located at 111 West Pine Street or at the Deming-Luna-Mimbres Chamber of Commerce., located at the "Y" junction.

This year's race is dedicated to Great American Duck Race founding father Harold Cousland.

Bill Armendariz/Headlight Photo

Contestants get ready for the start of the Great American Outhouse Race.

AT A GLANCE

What: The Great American Outhouse Race.
When: 5 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 24.
Where: The "Brick" Yard (Silver Avenue between Pine and Spruce Streets.
Entry fee: $50 per racing team.
Object: Three pushers and one toilet jockey must race an outhouse through an obstacle course against time.

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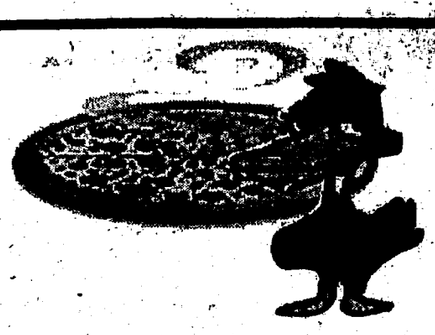

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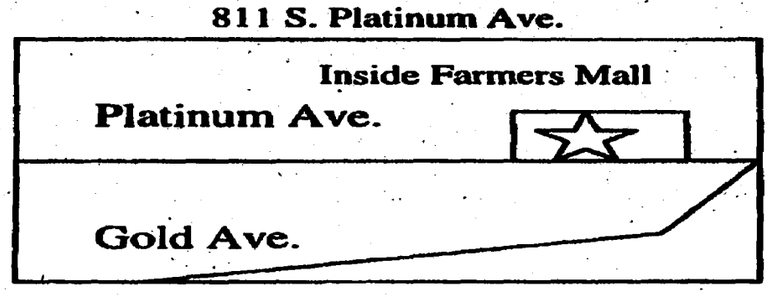

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Side Items

Churro (Cinnamon-Sugar)	$1.00+tax
Breadsticks (8 sticks per order with pizza sauce)	$1.99+tax
1-lb Chicken Wings Hot, Mild or BBQ (12 pieces with ranch dressing)	$4.99+tax
1/2-lb Chicken Wings Hot, Mild or BBQ (6 pieces with ranch dressing)	$2.49+tax
16oz. Sodas with refills	$0.99+tax
2 Liter Sodas	$1.99+tax

Pizza By The Slice

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They are a MASSIVE ¼ of a Large 14 inch Pizza

only

$2.00+tax

The Single

1 – MASSIVE slice of pizza
1 – Soda (free refills)

only

$2.75+tax

add an additional slice for $1.50+tax

The works

1 - MASSIVE slice of pizza
1 – Soda (free refills)
1 - 18 inch Churro (cinnamon-sugar)

only

$3.50+tax

add an additional slice for $1.50+tax

- Add ½ pound order of wings to any Dine In special for only $1.99+tax
- We'll make any slice of your choice with the purchase of 2 slices or more