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Capitan police officer arrested on bribery charge

■ Johnny Williams, acting chief of Capitan police, allegedly offered the bribe in exchange for dropping a complaint.

BY SANDY SUGGITT
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Capitan police officer Johnny Williams was arrested and jailed under \$50,000 cash-only bond

March 6 after allegedly bribing a victim to drop her criminal sexual contact complaint against him.

The Ruidoso Police Department videotaped the alleged bribe on Sudderth Drive in a sting initiated by the district attorney's office that also included the Lincoln County Sheriff's Department and the New Mexico State Police, said Scot D. Key, district attorney for the 12th Judicial District.

Key said his office chose to take the criminal sexual contact case to the grand jury rather than to a preliminary hearing because grand juries are secret.

"When he learned that we were going to take it to a grand jury, that's when he allegedly committed this (bribery) offense," Key said. "Had the Lincoln County jury not indicted him, nobody would have known about it and his reputation

would have been intact. That was one of the reasons we chose to take it to the grand jury."

The district attorney's office initiated the collaboration with the other law enforcement agencies in the days immediately preceding Williams' arrest, having received information about his intent to bribe a victim with an unknown amount of money, he said.

The release states that the vic-

tim was a woman from Capitan who had "indicated that the officer wanted to pay her a quantity of money in exchange for her dismissing the criminal sexual contact complaint."

The case is set for a presentation to the Lincoln County Grand Jury on March 19, Key said.

Williams had been acting as chief of police of the Capitan Police Department when Chief Carrol Durbin ran for a judge's position.

Weekend jail riot raises questions

County commissioners ask about riot training for prison staff, how lighters got inside

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BY DIANNE STALLINGS
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Something is wrong when prisoners who had just damaged the county jail are inside being fed hot meals, while the officers who quelled the disturbance are outside eating sandwiches supplied by the Red Cross, Lincoln County Commissioner Leo Martinez said Tuesday.

The county owns the jail in Carrizozo, but it's managed by Correctional Systems Inc. A brief "mini-riot" Sunday afternoon has some commissioners questioning the system used to "lease" beds for federal prisoners. They wonder if jail staff and outside support agencies should receive riot training, if stronger security measures are needed, as well as better control of contraband.

"We were pretty much back to normal Monday," said jail administrator Mike Borrego, who was at his home in El Paso when the rioting occurred. "We'll look at some procedures and will secure some areas. We're still evaluating the situation."

He would support more training, he said. And he will recommend to commissioners at their meeting next week to purchase a recording system to capture images that appear on monitoring screens from cameras throughout the facility. County Manager Tom Stewart said he's been told the systems are extremely expensive, "but I think there's a way to do it."

Commissioner L. Ray Nunley questioned how lighters made it into a non-smoking facility.

"Usually, they are smuggled back in by people on work release or a trusty who picks up one outside," Borrego said. "We've stopped a lot of that, but it's difficult to get total control."

Nunley said while it's in the best interest of county taxpayers to handle the federal prisoners as a means of offsetting operational costs, "We need to look at the number we hold and how we determine the mix. If we're understaffed, I don't think we need a whole lot. With adequate staff, it may not be a problem."

Martinez, who surveyed the jail scene Sunday, said it's time inmates aren't allowed to sit all day watching television. The commission needs to "rethink our and CSI's roles in this and how taxpayers can be better served."

More use of inmates for community service projects may be a way to keep them busy and worn out enough at night that they sleep instead of plot, he said. A productive activity also should be good for their

self esteem, he added. Using an existing annex at the courthouse or building a new jail annex could help by creating other quarters for lower-risk inmates, he said. Stewart also thinks an annex is a good alternative for some inmates.

"I'm trying to stay one step ahead of the inmates," he said Tuesday. "They have all the time in the world to think about how they can mess with the system."

To ward off future problems with federal inmates or any higher risk prisoners, he will assist CSI with segregation and classification of prisoners, he said.

Commissioner William Schwettmann said he's waiting to see CSI's report before passing judgment on any aspect of the operation. While at the scene of the riot with Nunley, he was pleased with how it was handled, he said.

"It was contained quickly," he said. "The damage was minimal. These things happen. We have to look to the federal authorities because apparently it was their prisoners who started it."

"We have a contract with CSI, but we have a clause where we can get out. I just hope we don't hear a bunch of excuses. I want to let CSI tell us what they're going to do."

Commission Chairman Rex Wilson, who was in Tucumcari during the incident, said even though it wasn't major, it can't be ignored.

He's also waiting for results of the State Police investigation and expects a lively discussion about the situation at the commission meeting March 21.

The experience also showed how quickly the sheriff's department and other law enforcement agencies can respond effectively, Martinez said. Without that, the problem could have been much bigger, said Carrizozo Police Chief Angelo Vega.



PHOTO BY POLLY E. CHAVEZ

A law enforcement official watches inmates at Lincoln County jail after smoke from burning mattresses forced an evacuation Sunday

Crash on Highway 48 injures 3, one seriously

■ One woman was transferred to an El Paso hospital.

BY SANDY SUGGITT
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A Carlsbad woman was seriously injured in a head-on collision about 9:15 p.m. March 8 in the northbound lane of Highway 48 in front of Wild West Ski Shop.

Beverly Chaves, a passenger in the vehicle traveling north, suffered a broken wrist and possibly a broken arm when her vehicle was struck head on by one driven by Cindy Vanderhyden, 42, of Ruidoso Downs.

Vanderhyden was arrested and

cited with aggravated DWI, careless driving and not driving in her lane. The accident report stated that she had four prior citations for DWI.

Chaves, Vanderhyden and Greg Garcia, the driver of the northbound vehicle, were transported to the emergency room at Lincoln County Medical Center, and Vanderhyden and Garcia were released that night. Chaves was transferred to Thomason Hospital in El Paso, Texas, on March 10, said Donna Tanner, director of nursing at LCMC.

The two vehicles collided in the northbound lane of Highway 48 on Swiss Chalet Hill. Heavy damage was incurred by both vehicles.

Garcia, who is from Rio Rancho, told police he saw a vehicle in his lane of traffic and drove onto the shoulder to avoid it, but the other vehicle also moved onto the shoulder. He then moved back to the roadway, and the other vehicle also moved back onto the roadway, and the two vehicles collided.

A witness said Vanderhyden's vehicle pulled out of the Swiss Chalet Motel without the headlights on.

Vanderhyden had just gained consciousness when the police arrived, according to the report.

She told the officer that she didn't know about the crash, the report states.



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Ninth-grade Girl Scouts Kiana Cornelius, left, and Alice Pena confer over a calendar tracking their activities and project accomplishments. Their troop is celebrating Girl Scout Week with others nationwide.

Proud scouts

For local Girl Scouts, it's time to celebrate

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
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Ninth-graders Kiana Cornelius and Alice Pena aren't embarrassed when they talk about being Cadette Girl Scouts.

They know how much fun they have on field trips and the feeling of accomplishment when they earn a new honor or help on a community project. When the annual Girl Scout cookie sale rolls around, classmates are eager to buy.

"This is my third year," Pena said. "Lots of my friends were in it and I think it's fun, especially the field trips. We've been star gazing and we're planning a dolphin interaction trip to Sea World."

Beth Robinson even picked scouting as her topic for an honors English expository essay.

"The Girl Scouts are known

throughout the world as 'helpers to the community,' not just 'cookie sellers,'" she wrote. She detailed the work involved when a cadette earns a silver award, which recognizes the scout's effort to help her community and improve the lives of others. Robinson's project consisted of organizing equine therapy sessions for a younger Girl Scout with disabilities.

Pena, who thought she wanted to be a teacher, arranged to tutor two children at an after-school program and "learned a lot of patience." Cornelius, who has been in scouting since first grade, served in several capacities at the Humane Society of Lincoln County animal shelter.

The girls, all ninth graders, are members of Pam Robinson's Troop 60001 in Ruidoso.

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At left, newly sworn-in Ruidoso village councilors joined new Mayor Leon Eggleston, second from left, at the council table Monday. Councilors are, from left, Deborah Marcum-Byars, Ron Hardeman and L. Ray Nunley. At right, Hardeman signs papers to make it legal while Village Clerk Tammie Maddox watches.

New officials take oaths

Eggleston promises hard work, fun at future council meetings

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
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Although he served on the Ruidoso Village Council for four years, Leon Eggleston was nervous Monday as he was sworn into office as the new mayor and conducted a brief organizational meeting.

Looking at the packed room of visitors, he said he hopes to see some of them at regular meetings.

"Thanks for putting your confidence in me," Eggleston said. He promised hard work but also some fun at future council meetings and that the annual council retreat will be more open for input from the public and employees.

After each of the new council members took their oath and signed the written version, they commented on the job ahead.

Deborah Marcum-Byars acknowledged the support she received, even from one of the other candidates, Jules Videau.

"He would call me on a regular basis to take me to task," she said.

"It's not over," said Videau, who lost his bid for a council seat but was watching the ceremony.

Byars said the council must concentrate on updating the village's comprehensive plan and needs to come up with a water availability study.

Just because the village owns water rights, "doesn't convince me of the amount of water available to use," she said. "It's critical we

move in both of these directions."

Ron Hardeman, who was selected as mayor pro-tem to act in Eggleston's absence, thanked his wife, who was his campaign manager, and said it was a learning experience.

He backed Byars comments.

"My sister was visiting today and we went out to Alto and Bonito lakes," he said.

"They're both puddles."

L. Ray Nunley, who set a precedent by becoming a village councilor while he still serves on the Lincoln County Commission, said he will use the remaining nine months in his county term to bring the two entities together.

"This is a great day to be sworn-in," he said, referring to the six-month anniversary of the terrorist attacks in New York and Washington, D.C.

Municipal Judge Mike Line was sworn-in for a third term by Village Clerk Tammie Maddox. He noted that being re-elected made him a "rare bird" in Ruidoso.

Although when he was a state prosecutor and a defense attorney, he considered municipal court "the bottom feeder of the judiciary," he has come to consider it "the highest calling," Line said. He's learned the value of being the judge people see when they make their first mistake.

Eggleston submitted Alan Briley to be reappointed as manager/treasurer of the village and the appointment was approved unanimously.

Jail riot caused by a lack of snacks

Federal inmates tried to burn mattresses at the Lincoln County jail

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
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Federal inmates at the Lincoln County Detention Center in Carrizozo plotted a revolt Sunday because they couldn't buy snacks from the commissary.

State Police Capt. John R. Sena said based on initial information from an on-going investigation, inmates in a pod containing individual cells and a commons area pre-planned the mini-riot that erupted about 3 p.m.

"They were disgruntled because of the food service," he said. The jail administrator was in the process of changing from an individual local supplier to a national company, but the treats ran out Friday.

Sheriff Tom Sullivan said a few of the 20 federal prisoners in the group of 29 inmates in the pod, piled up mattresses and tried to burn them. They stuffed drains and toilets to

cause interior flooding.

Within minutes of a call for help by a jail guard, two deputies and a Carrizozo police officer responded, but when they tried to enter the pod, inmates threw plastic (peanut butter jars. No one was injured.

"The place filled up with smoke and they were going to herd them out," Sullivan said.

Carrizozo Police Chief Angelo Vega said when help arrived from other agencies, most of the inmates eventually were secured in a gymnasium area, but three barricaded themselves in individual cells.

"We brought in the fire hose," he said. The revolt didn't last long after that. "We secured them in holding cells," he said.

With the Sheriff's Office, the State Police, jail staff and Carrizozo Police Department working together, the situation was under control in less than an hour, Sullivan said. The Ruidoso Police Department provided security for six inmates taken to the hospital in Ruidoso. All but one were

treated for smoke inhalation and released that night.

Sena said nine State Police crime scene team investigators still were conducting interviews at the one-year-old jail Tuesday. When the investigation is concluded, leaders of the teams from Roswell and Las Cruces will turn over the results to District Attorney Scott Key. He will decide who is charged, Sena said.

County Manager Tom Stewart said repair and replacement costs will cost between \$1,500 and \$3,000 for 17 mattresses, some pillows and two broken windows.

"What will really cost us are the ambulance rides for six inmates," he said Tuesday. "Only one was in the pod, so I guess the rest were psychosomatic."

Jail administrator Mike Borrego said the population Sunday was 104 inmates. Of that number, 31 were federal prisoners, but seven of those were women.

Information for this report was contributed by Polly E. Chavez.

Recount pending in Downs trustee race

Votes in the race for a two-year term on the Ruidoso Downs Board of Trustees will be recounted Friday.

Camille Johnson, who lost to Susan Garrett in the March

5 municipal election by one vote, filed her application last week and the recount is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. at village hall, according to Village Clerk Carol Virden. Two machines

will be tabulated. Johnson pulled 135 votes to incumbent Garrett's 136.

Because only one vote was involved, she said last week there was room for error.

BEM meeting is set for Thursday

A planning meeting for Rio Bonito lands acquired by the federal Bureau of Land Management is set for 7 p.m., Thursday at the Lincoln community church in the settlement of Lincoln.

"At the end of the meeting, we hope to be finished with the first phase of gathering information on the challenges and the concerns of the Lincoln Valley for these lands," said Ed Reberson, Roswell field officer manager.

The meeting will start with a look at hunting

and continue down the remainder of a previously compiled list, he said.

"The meetings thereafter will focus on refining the wants and needs of the people of Lincoln valley" and others who have expressed interest, he said.

Each tract will be covered separately in subsequent sessions.

For more information or for suggestions or clarification, contact Paul Happel at (505) 627-0208.

SCOUTS: Lincoln County girls honor anniversary

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This week, along with members across the nation, they're celebrating the 90th anniversary of Girl Scouts.

Founded in 1912 in Savannah, Ga., by Juliette Gordon Lowe, Girl Scouts current membership sits at about 3.75 million members nationwide. Enrollment of girls ages 5 to 17 increased by 2.9 percent last year.

The first troop was integrated and that tradition continues today, Robinson said. Lincoln County troops are part of the Zia Council, based in Artesia and created in 1947. The council also covers Otero, Chaves, Eddy and Lea counties.

"Girls do a lot more than just sell cookies and go camping," Robinson said. "Community service is an important part of the program."

Local scouts provided dona-

tions to help a domestic violence shelter program, the Humane Society and the Christmas basket program through Region IX Cooperative Education. Lincoln County Girl Scouts also conduct food drives, send hand-made greeting cards to hospice patients and give away an annual First Baby gift basket to the first baby girl born during or right after Girl Scout week.

Troop activities can involve exploration of career paths. Several of the girls in Robinson's troop chose silver award projects in the fields they are thinking about pursuing after high school.

Milika Sanchez helped parents through a county-based Parents as Teachers program. Samantha Serna played host at a basketball clinic for fifth- and sixth-grade girls. Christine Brown is beautifying

a local preschool with art work on low retaining walls.

The Cadette Girl Scouts in Ruidoso have worked for two years on their silver awards, the highest recognition for their age group, and all have completed their projects. The girls will receive the honor at a ceremony from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., April 14, in the Texas-New Mexico Power Community Room on Mechem Drive.

People interested in scouting also are invited to attend the council's annual meeting April 20 in Alamogordo to celebrate the special anniversary. An alumni association is being formed. An open house is scheduled for May 5 at Camp Mary White in Mayhill. For more information on any of those events or about the Girl Scouts, call (505) 257-9809, (505) 437-2021 or the council office at 1-800-734-9846.

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Redistricting changes county

Lincoln County will be divided by three representatives and two senators

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Lincoln County was sliced and diced in the recent redistricting. Instead of one state representative and one senator, the county will be divided among districts of three state representatives and two senators.

That was the word Monday from Tom Chavez, deputy county clerk. "We called this morning and they gave us the House Bill number (on senate districts) because we're changing everyone to their new precincts starting tomorrow," he said.

includes precincts 3B, 4, 5, 8B and 10; and Simpson's district 5 covers 11, 12A, 12B and 12C.

The offices of treasurer and clerk are elected countywide. Commissioners are elected only by voters within their districts.

Three state representative positions are up for grabs and terms are for two years. Incumbent Republicans are Dub Williams based in Glencoe in District 56, covering most of Ruidoso and extending south into Otero County; Daniel Foley from Roswell in District 57, which now includes most of the county to the north, including Capitan, Corona and Carrizozo; and Avon Wilson from Roswell in District 59, encompassing a swath of the county east of Ruidoso Downs.

"Within the next month, every voter will be notified by mail, and if it's returned as undeliverable ... they will be put on the inactive list."

Martha Proctor
County clerk

Knowing what state and county districts a home falls within is important to those with political aspirations. The day to sign for most state, district and county offices is March 19.

Aspiring county officials must register at the office of County Clerk Martha Proctor at the county courthouse in Carrizozo. Although a few people have announced they intend to run, nothing is official until March 19.

Seats open at the county level are commissioner districts 2, 4 and 5, treasurer and county clerk. Most of the incumbents have served two consecutive four-year terms and cannot run again for those positions. That includes Commissioners L. Ray Nunley and William Schwettmann, Treasurer Joan Park and County Clerk Martha Proctor. Rick Simpson, commissioner district 5, is eligible to seek re-election.

Nunley's district 2 covers precincts 1 and 9; Schwettmann's district 4

Carrizozo for the past 17 years, said he won't seek re-election. Judge William Butts serves in division 2 in Ruidoso.

Lincoln County-based District Judge Karen Parsons, along with all other district judges, faces a retention election in November and must receive 57 percent of the vote to stay.

To accommodate the changes from redistricting, which is mandated every 10 years as a result of new population figures from the national census, Proctor created three new sub-precincts. She had to find new polling places for those and for Ruidoso precincts because the convention center no longer will be available, she said.

But voters shouldn't worry. New voter identification cards are being prepared that will list their precincts and polling places and their various state and county districts. No change occurred on the federal level. Lincoln County still falls within the 2nd Congressional District, a seat that also is wide open.

"Within the next month, every voter will be notified by mail, and if it's returned as undeliverable because they haven't updated their registration (with a change of address), they will be put on the inactive list," Proctor said. "They will be purged after two federal election cycles."

To avoid that or to register to vote, forms can be picked up at city halls, the county clerk's office, at Eastern New Mexico University-Ruidoso, at local public libraries and at the state Motor Vehicle Division office in Ruidoso.

"Or we can mail them a registration form if they call," Proctor said.

For more information, call the clerk's office at (505) 648-2394.

The senate seats aren't up for election. They are occupied by Democrat Timothy Z. Jennings in District 32 that includes only precinct 12 in Lincoln County, and Republican Rod Adair, District 33, which takes in the rest of the county.

The county also is divided into two Public Regulation Commission districts - number 2 that covers precincts 1, 3 and 12, and number 5, within which the entire county fell before. It now includes precincts 2, 4 through 11 and 13. Both seats are up for election.

The county stayed as a unit within District 8 on the state school board and that position is not up for election this year.

Both county magistrate judge positions are up, Proctor said. Incumbent Gerald Dean Jr. in division one in

Public forum at council meetings approved

Each councilor Linda Flack got the forum pushed through as her final act before municipal elections

DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

People who aren't listed on the agenda for Ruidoso Council meetings will be able to offer opinions and questions during a new public forum.

In her last official act as village councilor, Linda Flack offered a motion Feb. 27 to amend the agenda to create a public time at council meetings. She is following up on a suggestion she first proposed two weeks ago.

The governing council members will be worked out by the mayor, the village council and council members.

"In my personal opinion, I think we shouldn't restrict the subject matter unless it's an issue or deals with a bill," said then-councilor Linda Flack, who was

running for a council seat at the time, suggested a time limit of three to five minutes be placed on individuals to prevent someone from abusing the opportunity and tying up the council's time. Videau favored not requiring advance sign-up except right before the meeting starts. He also recommended not allowing anyone to speak at two consecutive meetings.

He agreed that "relevance" is subjective and subject matter should remain open except those legally off limits. Videau proposed placing the item toward the top of the agenda as is done in Taos and Santa Fe, because otherwise, people might have to wait several hours until all of the village business is completed.

But Councilor Bob Sterchi said the end of the meeting would be more appropriate because many people sched-

uled on the agenda come with paid consultants and the "meter is running" as they wait for their public hearings.

"It would be a disservice to them," he said.

Videau agreed, but said if a session is running long, the council could move the public forum item up to let people speak.

Flack said the end of the meeting is better because by that time, some of the questions people wanted to pose may be answered and save the time of the questioner as well as the council and staff.

"But this is a living policy and can be changed," she said.

"We all work together on how this meeting is to be run," said then-Mayor Robert Donaldson, adding that shouldn't change no matter who sits in the mayor's chair.

Councilor Ron Anderson said he didn't think the coun-

cil had a legal right to restrict people from speaking at two consecutive meetings and Donaldson agreed.

Flack said she suggested the public forum because of the perception by some that the council doesn't allow enough outside input. She believes that perception is wrong, the councilor said.

"My perception is we can't get people to come to the meetings," she said.

Golf course high and dry?

Denial of water rights transfers gets appealed

■ A lawsuit filed in district court could overturn an earlier ruling.

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

State Engineer Tom Turney's rejection of a series of water rights transfers to irrigate a golf course in the Angus area is being appealed in Lincoln County District Court.

A lawsuit was filed Feb. 21 by Black Elk LLC, Cristobal B. Zamora, J. Robert Beauvais, Elverto and Veronica Gutierrez and Industrious Enterprises. The group sought to change the point of diversion within the Hondo underground basin. The proposed transfer of 260,825 acre-feet per annum was to be used at The Hideout of Lincoln County. The private, exclusive golf course is being developed by Ruidoso Downs racetrack owner R.D. Hubbard.

In his recommendation to Turney, hearing officer Fred

Allen wrote that return flow from the golf course would be minimal and the geology of the move-to site is not conducive to vertical percolation to offset impacts of the deep wells.

At the projected rate of pumpage, 18 of 45 wells within a two-mile radius would be completely dewatered within 10 years, with no assurance that water would be encountered by deepening those wells, he stated. Granting the applications would impair existing water rights from the source, he concluded.

When he announced his decision in January, Turney said other sources of water are being sought by the development company.

Beauvais, a Ruidoso attorney who lives in Lincoln, said he doesn't know why he is listed as one of the plaintiffs.

"The water rights I held I sold directly to Hubbard's group," he said. "The decision doesn't affect me one way or the other."

"The decision doesn't affect me one way or the other."

J. Robert Beauvais
Named plaintiff in the lawsuit

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OUR OPINION

Let's not end up Balkanized

Redistricting raises a multiple challenge

We didn't know how good we had it, with just one state representative (Dob Williams) and a piece of one senator (Pete Campos) to keep track of...

Now, thanks to redistricting, dear old Lincoln County will be split among three state representatives and two senators. And, with a primary and general election on the horizon, most of us won't have a clue for many months about who to yell at when we need something.

The odds are that the great majority of our many voices in the Legislature will be from

people whose primary loyalty is somewhere else. Dub Williams, assuming re-election from his greatly reduced district (or whoever replaces him), must somehow orchestrate a chorus of many conflicted voices on county issues.

Our county could end up thoroughly Balkanized, and that's a frightening thought.

Our best bet, it seems, is to get every candidate totally on record about their commitment to Lincoln County before they're elected — and to remind them loudly and frequently about it thereafter.

The creative spirit knows no bounds

Artistic creativity courses through my veins this morning. I am just full of it.

Were I a sculptor I would cast a bronze of the Statue of Liberty. Instead of the torch of freedom, though, I would have her holding aloft a rifle. And I would adorn her chest with a swastika to represent my twisted view of this country.



LOOKING ASKANCE NED CANTWELL

Just a moment here while I fashion a miniature replica of the Grand Canyon filled with dog doo-doo to show how crappy is our National Parks system.

Hand me the palette, please. I want to paint Geronimo in a chicken suit to show that guy's true colors. Sure, he was a great American Apache Indian chief, but is that relevant to contemporary thinking?

I want to scale Mount Rushmore and paint moustaches on the presidents. I want to adorn them with devil's horns and blacken one eye of each. What an ugly country!

Anyone not yet offended? Okay, fry this. See this picture of Martin Luther King? Through painstaking digital manipulation — let's call it Cyber Arte — I have managed to make him look like Little Black Sambo.

Were I to do these things, would you talk about my first amendment rights? Would you engage in long, intellectual discussions about freedom of expression, or whether these ideas were hatched during closed-door meetings in violation of some state statute?

No, you would question whether my diet consisted of flimsy little brownies not available at your mainstream bakery. You would wonder when I had left the toaster factory. Why had they let me go? More importantly, after I had trashed the ethnic, cultural and patriotic views of much of society, you would not take me seriously.

So, tell me, why do we take Alma Lopez seriously? The California artist depicted Our Lady of Guadalupe with ample breasts and dressed her in a floral bikini. With Solomonic wisdom, the New Mexico Museum of

International Folk Art displayed this exhibit, thus enraging only about one-half of the state's residents. They called it Cyber Arte.

There ensued an avalanche of debate about free speech and a spate of "challenges" which, believe it or not, were still in the news as recently as two weeks ago concerning a judge's ruling on some obscure issue about violation of open meetings.

Look, Alma Lopez had the right to trash Catholic beliefs and traditions. That's not the point. The question is why. Bill Hume, Albuquerque Journal columnist, explains Lopez "said that her so-called Bikini Virgin was not meant to denigrate, but was a playful expression of her own faith in Our Lady of Guadalupe and was intended to portray the Virgin as a strong contemporary woman relevant to today."

Oh, Alma, pardon me while I puke.

Alma Lopez may be quite the accomplished artist. She would do well, though, to stick with flowers and fruit bowls. On the other hand, she would probably say that I am just full of it.

Ned Cantwell is a retired newspaperman living in Ruidoso. He gave up art after his third grade teacher gave him an "F" for a drawing of a stickman he called "Jesus." He can be reached at cantwell@zianet.com.

LETTERS POLICY

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

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

Letters may be delivered to the Ruidoso News offices at 104 Park Avenue, mailed to P.O. Box 128, Ruidoso, NM 88368, faxed to 257-7154, or sent by e-mail to ruidosonews@zianet.com.



Next time, 100 percent

To the editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the citizens of Capitan who voted in the election of March 5. It was great seeing that we had a 52 percent voter turnout — next time, let's go for 100 percent voter turnout. I would also like to thank my supporters and those who voted for me.

Now it's time to move on. The voters have elected a new mayor and two new trustees to work with the current trustees. Let's give the mayor and our trustees a chance to show what they can do for our village and its residents.

Donald L. Brothers
Capitan

Protecting who from whom?

To the editor:

During a filibuster to stop a bill that would outlaw flag-burning, a congressman from Texas said he would prefer that someone burn the flag and wrap themselves in the Constitution than burn the Constitution and wrap themselves in the flag.

YOUR OPINION

No doubt if you are wrapped in the American Flag, you wouldn't want anyone to burn it.

It has been said recently that Republicans are better at waging war. While I don't know about that, I do know that the Republican in the White House and his far-right-wing attorney general (fresh from being rejected by the voters of Missouri in favor of a dead man) are waging an all out war on our Constitution in the guise of protecting us from foreign terrorists.

This leaves only one question: Who will protect us from them?

Glenn Remington
Ruidoso

The Village People

To the editor:

If you're one of the elected officials of the village of Ruidoso, and you aspire to serve more than one term in office, disregard us at your peril. The outcome of the recent election was totally predictable to this village person.

While the former mayor and council member who lost their bids for re-election may well have had the interests of

the Village People in mind some of the time, the perception is what matters at election time. And the perception throughout Mayor Donaldson's term was of a "one man show," and that show was performed for the tourists, developers and real estate interests.

None of us need be reminded of the importance of the tourism and real estate businesses to the economic health of this town. But the tourists and second-home owners are not the registered voter base for this community. Let it be perceived as pandering to those interests, to the exclusion of the year-round residents, and you need not wonder about not being re-elected.

For those who wish to serve more than one term of office in the future, they would be wise to hone up on the demographics of the Village People of Ruidoso. Anyone familiar with the musical group of that name has a good idea who we are. You can start with the employees of the village itself — the largest employer in town if I'm not mistaken.

J. L. Schuller
Ruidoso

AMERICAN ISSUES

Most whistleblowers do pay a high price

BLACKSBURG, Va. — Sherron Watkins was not without justification in her concern that she might suffer retaliation for exposing the accounting scandal at Enron, according to Joyce Rothschild, who has conducted the only national study of whistleblowers from all walks of life and from all parts of the United States.

Rothschild, professor of sociology at Virginia Tech, did an eight-year study, conducting in-depth interviews with 300 whistleblowers and more than 200 surveys of "silent observers" (people who observed some wrongdoing but who chose to remain silent).

She found that 69 percent were fired as a result of exposing wrongdoing, even when they only reported this wrongdoing to higher ups within their own employer's organization. Of those who left their organization to report misconduct to outside authorities, such as to

legal authorities, Rothschild found that more than 80 percent were fired.

Rothschild, who has published five academic articles on her studies, found in many cases that the moment senior management realized that an individual might blow the whistle, "they began a race to discredit the would-be whistleblower before the whistleblower could discredit them." In the ensuing battle for vindication, and for their jobs, the whistleblowers seldom emerged unscathed.

In 84 percent of her cases, former whistleblowers said they became depressed and could no longer trust the managers of organizations. In 53 percent of her cases the whistleblowers suffered deterioration even in their family relations.

Indeed, Rothschild said, statistical analysis of the data found that the larger and more systemic the observed mis-

conduct reported by the whistleblower, the more swift and severe were the reprisals, and neither gender, nor race, nor age, nor any specific level of educational attainment nor years on the job could insulate such a whistleblower from retaliation.

Her studies found that 79 percent of her whistleblowers were stirred to action by their values.

"Sometimes they said that they got their sense of right and wrong from the codes of professional ethics embedded in their various occupations; sometimes they attributed their moral compass to religious upbringing or family teaching; but in nearly all cases, they said they were trying to do "the right thing," Rothschild said. "Of the remaining ones, 18 percent said that their whistle blowing had been defensive: they were afraid that they would be blamed for the misconduct of others if they did not report it, and the other 5 percent said that they really weren't sure why they had spoken up."

Many organizational factors lay the groundwork for whistle blowing, Rothschild said. She found that "where the employee observes the same misconduct many times, not just once, and in the process, comes to view his or her employer as immoral and the senior managers as non-democratic and probably complicit in the wrongdoing, they are most likely to blow the whistle."

OUR RIGHT TO KNOW The First Amendment

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



EDUCATION

EDUCATION BRIEFS

Lottery win helps schools

A new lottery scratcher attracted the attention of Ruidoso Downs man, who won his \$2 scratcher game and became a \$10,000 prize. Jacob Provenzo claimed his win in Red 7's prize Friday. New Mexico Lottery headquarters in Albuquerque, just a day after the game was launched. The convenience store employee has lived in Ruidoso and Otero counties his entire life. Provenzo already has what he's doing with the prize: "I'm getting a car for my mom," he said.

Ruidoso, Carrizozo and other public schools have received almost \$1.6 million in lottery funds for capital outlay in various classrooms, construction and other improvements. Eastern New Mexico University's Ruidoso campus has received nearly \$100,000 in lottery-funded assistance for the Fry Success Scholarship program.

Since its inception in April through the end of February, the lottery has paid over more than \$136 million to the state of New Mexico. Of that, more than \$10 million has been awarded for the Lottery Success Scholarship program. Over \$66.5 million was for school construction and repairs in 61 school dis-

Test on Friday

The first administration of the new 2002 GED test in Lincoln County will be at 8 p.m. Friday at Eastern New Mexico University-Ruidoso, 1000 Lechem Drive.

The GED registration process are considerably different from previous ones. The testing is no longer a one-time registration more than a week in advance is now required and must be completed by a person at the ENMU by 5 p.m. today.

The cost of registration and payment of the test is \$100. For more information, call Cheri LaCombe, state chief GED examiner, at 257-2120 or (800) 934-3668.

SCHOOL MENUS

Monday, March 13 — Breakfast: Ham bar, muffin, fruit
Lunch: Green chicken salad, smothered burrito, Spanish rice, salad

Tuesday, March 14 — Breakfast: Cheese toast, cereal or juice
Lunch: Frito pie, chili dog, cheese potatoes, pinto beans, mixed vegetables, fruit

Wednesday, March 15 — Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, juice or fruit
Lunch: Beef and bean burrito, chicken fajitas, tamales, mixed salad, fruit

Thursday, March 18 — Breakfast: Toast, jelly, cereal, fruit
Lunch: Soft tacos, taco

If no one comes to collect from you or your business, mail donations to Project Graduation, Ruidoso High School, 200 Horton Circle, Ruidoso, NM 88345, or call Robin Adair at 257-4051 to make arrangements to have someone contact you.

Student graduates

Selina Steed, a Ruidoso High School graduate, received a bachelor of art degree in psychology at Western State College of Colorado in Gunnison Dec. 21, 2001.

On dean's list

Janelle Worthington, a Ruidoso resident majoring in history at Walla Walla College in College Place, Wash., was named to the dean's list for the 2001-2002 winter quarter, earning at least 3.75 GPA on 15 or more credit hours.

Upward Bound honor

Isabel Guerrero of Ruidoso was named as student of the month for the month of the Eastern New Mexico University Upward Bound program, a pre-college program. She is a junior at Ruidoso High School and plans to attend ENMU to study criminal justice and work with the Immigration and Naturalization Service.



Guerrero

New degree at ENMU

The Board of Regents for Eastern New Mexico University approved a new bachelor of applied arts and sciences degree with a major in applied arts and sciences for the Portales campus, becoming the first New Mexico school to offer the degree, effective this fall.

The degree is designed for students who have an associate of applied science, associate of science or associate of arts degree with a technical or vocational major earned at an institution accredited by a Council for Higher Education Accreditation-recognized organization.

It provides such students with a way to study a course leading to a bachelor's degree.

"The degree will help those working in vocational fields advance their careers," said Steve Gamble, Ph.D., ENMU president.

Leadership New Mexico convenes in Ruidoso in search of education solutions

Business needs schools, and schools definitely need business, conferees determine.

BY SANDY SUGGITT
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Business leaders from across the state gathered in Ruidoso last week to tackle the toughest education issues — attracting and retaining quality teachers, encouraging greater parental involvement in the schools, holding teachers accountable for student progress, choice in school selection for families, maximizing the return on dollars spent in education and forms of governance that work best for education.

Participants were selected for Leadership New Mexico, a nonprofit program that identifies current and emerging leaders to deepen their understanding of major issues facing New Mexico. Participants attend six conferences each year, and the 42 people chosen from 22 communities for the 2002 program were in Ruidoso from Thursday through Saturday discussing education issues.

"The purpose is so they can go back with a different view and level of awareness and make changes in their communities," said Patty Komko, one of cofounders of Leadership New Mexico. "We bring people together who might not have otherwise met each other and discuss the three main issues in the state: water, education and jobs. We try to bring these people from a variety of different industries and get them into a common educational program."

Presenters for the forum included people considered experts in various aspects of education issues, including Jay Gouge, New Mexico State University president; Tony Trujillo, former superintendent of the Yselta School District; Sen. Cynthia Nava, chairman of the Senate Education Subcommittee; and Michael Davis, state superintendent of public instruction.

On Saturday, Albuquerque's Mike Stanford, president and chief executive officer of First State Bank and president of the Albuquerque Chamber of Commerce, summed it all up after break-out groups tackled the major questions.

Stanford has been involved in education issues in depth for the last five years, visiting schools all over the country and talking with educators, school board members and administrators.

"If you don't have great education, then you'll never have economic development," the banker said. "People need skilled workers, and if you have poor education, if you're not developing your kids to be lifelong learners, and don't have a world-class school system, if you're not creating future workers, you're not attracting new business to the state."

"The statistics say that if children are not literate by third grade, you can accurately predict the dropout rates, prison populations and teen pregnancy," Stanford said.

The banker said every organization he's involved with has an agenda item for education.

Summing up the breakout group on school choice, Wally Melendrez, a Santa Fe attorney, said the group favors choice without vouchers: open enrollment and fixing the charter school act to encourage more of them because the public schools are not doing that. His group suggested an annual test at every grade level, a test that measures social skills as well as academic ones, and which automatically tests the teacher.

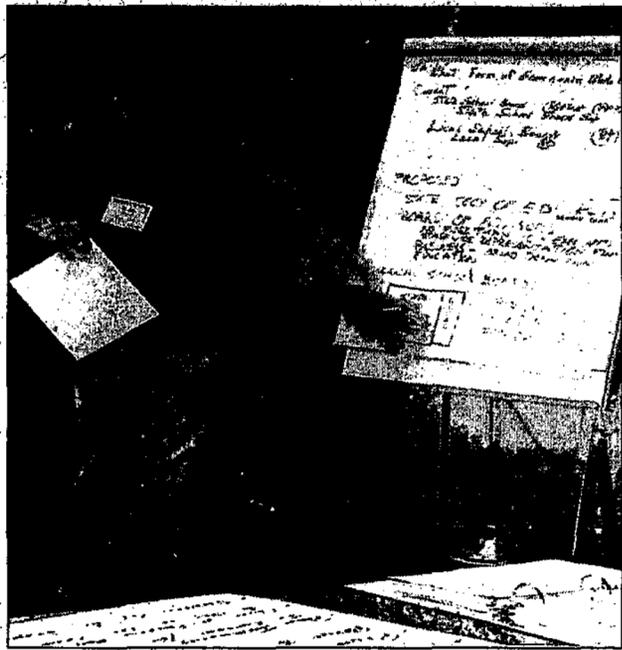
Hank Dominguez, superintendent of the Las Vegas schools, said schools are becoming a substitute for family for more than 10 percent of the children — some students come in early to get warm and have breakfast, and stay late to have supper, with the school also providing lunch.

"We as a society have failed a lot of people," Dominguez said. "Surviving for these children is a priority, not education. We need to have business buy in to the schools."

Summing up, Dominguez said a streamlined, individualized education plan should be made for all students, not just special education students, and parents need to be involved in the process. He said he gets on the radio every week to urge parents to visit their children's classes and have lunch with their children at school.

"If parents are involved, their kids are going to be successful," he said. "Part of teacher training should be in strategies to engage the parents in the classroom."

To retain quality teachers, Dominguez



Wally Melendrez, a Santa Fe attorney, reports to the business leaders after small-group brainstorming sessions on major educational issues.

suggested looking at 12-month programs for teachers to bring up their salaries, paying for further education and setting career development paths for teachers individually.

Stanford summed up the business connection by saying that education and the workforce have risen as major concerns to businesses, displacing a concern about crime. He pointed out that of the top 15 employers in New Mexico, only two are private industry. In most communities, the top employers are K-12 education, higher education, state government and hospitals.

"Business has nothing to be proud of in what we've done with education," he said. "We don't want to be bothered, but we are the first ones to criticize the schools. What we get is what we pay for."

Teachers are blamed more than anyone else for the failure of the schools in New Mexico, Stanford said, even though they're underpaid and unsupported. A system needs to be set up in the schools, further, to provide services to the 35 percent poor and Hispanic students so teachers don't have to leave the classroom to arrange for them.

Stanford also suggested contextual learning so students will see the relevance in the world of what they're learning in school, and not drop out.

"All kids should be prepared to go to college, even if they're going to be a carpenter, so later they can change their mind and go to college if they want to," he said.

The banker said there is no evidence that one form of governance is better than any other, and any form depends on the right people being in the right places, with the right attitude.

"We're getting what we deserve because we're not involved," Stanford said. "If education is so important, why are only 5 percent voting in school board elections or asking legislators where they stand on education?"

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Cell phone towers have new rules

Residential zones will now be used as a "last resort" for telecommunication structures.

BY DIANE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

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Mike Rennels, director of village planning and zoning, the department that administers the ETZ, said the new rules provide several grounds for the board to refuse an application, including the effect on property values, citizen opposition, the number and height of towers, the preservation of a scenic ridge line and for safety and environmental reasons. Charles Rennick, the attorney who advises the board, warned that the 1996 Federal Telecommunication Act was designed to foster competition and to allow as much expansion as possible to prevent existing companies from becoming entrenched. Decisions by the ETZ must be non-discriminatory and approved sites have to be effective, he said.

The old ordinance limited towers in industrial districts, but the only such district in the ETZ zone was in a canyon and ineffective for radio, television or communications. Contractor Carl Kelley, who builds towers, said the terrain in and around Ruidoso is tough to cover because of the canyons and mountains.

At Stevens' urging, the authority, consisting of two county commissioners and one Ruidoso-village councilor, increased the required number of published notifications of an application and expanded the distance within which property owners must be sent notification letters.

"The neighbor may not be a permanent resident and may not subscribe to the tabloids," said William Schwetznick, an ETZA member and county commissioner who agreed with the changes in a set of recommended changes from the ETZ Commission. That board of representatives from the county and the village approves or rejects applications and sends recommendations to the authority on other issues.

Authority Chairman L. Ray Nunley, a county commissioner, said he expects satellites to replace towers in a few years, but something is needed in the interim. "When this ordinance was written, cell phones didn't even exist," he said. "At the same time, we must be careful where they are placed and ensure they are unobtrusive."

Currently, two towers are located in the Camelot condominium area, two in the Alto Village/Alto Hill area and one in downtown Ruidoso, in addition to several outside of the ET zone on Buck Mountain.

Under the new regulations, a telecommunication tower or other facility is a conditional use in any land use zone and therefore, requires a public hearing.

"It is not allowed as a matter of right in any district," Rennick said. The term "facility" would include buildings, church steeples, water tanks and other structures with antennas.

An applicant will be required to submit a site plan with a survey of the property indicating setbacks from property lines and adjoining land uses. An inventory of all existing or planned towers or facilities within the ETZ and surrounding it must be included, including the national forest. Applicants will be encouraged to locate their appliances

on existing structures or towers, and must explain why that's not possible if they are asking to build a new tower. Left intact was a requirement inserted by the ETZ Commission for tower builders to post bonds to cover the cost of future removal.

Other changes include: The notification area was expanded from 200 feet to 300 feet and two legal notices will be required instead of one with the applicant paying the expense. The previously stipulated 15 days for the process was increased to 30.

Wording that residential zones are the least desired for towers, and that the ETZ Commission should consider placement based on a priority approach with public land, industrial and commercial areas preferred. Approval of applications would take into account aesthetics. Gave more latitude to the authority by saying that decisions by the ETZ Commission may be reviewed upon appeal or by request of an authority member. Provide 105 percent of the tower's height as set back from the property line to create a safety area in case the tower collapses. Limited the height of towers to 70 feet unless space is provided for other antennas to be attached, then the height could increase to 130 feet. Hobbyists with small antennas specifically are excluded from the rules by federal law.

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L. Ray Nunley
ETZA chairman

CAPITAN SCHOOLS

Meeting: Board of Education, 6 p.m., Thursday, March 14, Administration Building

Actions:
• Board Policy Section III/3.2 Licensed Personnel
• Superintendent contract extension
• Approval of consent agenda
Items: Athletics, Cafeteria, Activity; bills paid and payable; budget transfers and/or increases

Business items:
• Student Senate
• SACT
• FTA
• Public comment: Playgrounds - Pat Sullivan

Informational:
• Enrollment update, 120th day - Larry Miller
• Budget input - Larry Miller
• NMSBA Conference - Larry Miller
• Calendar of events update - Larry Miller

Executive session:
• Pursuant to Section 10-15-1 (ED)
(2) Limited personnel matters: 2002-2003 budget, effects on personnel

FUNERALS DEATHS

John M. Tudor

A memorial service for John M. Tudor, 57, of Ruidoso, will be at 8 a.m. Thursday at Christ Church of the Downs, with the Rev. Alan officiating.

Mr. Tudor died Sunday, March 10, 2002, in Ruidoso. He was born April 23, 1944, in Seminole, Texas.

He moved to Lincoln County in 1995 from Austin, Texas, and was elementary principal at Mesalero Schools during the 1995-96 school year.

He married Brenda Porter on Dec. 15, 1996, in Mesalero.

Survivors include his wife, Brenda Mansfield of Ruidoso; a stepdaughter, Ginny Mansfield of Ruidoso; an aunt and uncle, Brooksie and Watt Wilkinson of Ruidoso; a cousin, J.C. Mathiew's of Throckmorton, Texas; grandsons William and David Meece; a friend, Bobby Masca; a son, John Strickland Tudor; and a daughter, Anna Ruth Tudor.

The family suggests memorials to Mothers Against Drunk Drivers.

Wild horse board to meet in D.C.

Three people were selected to serve on the Wild Horse and Burro Advisory Board, charged with guiding federal agencies on the management and protection of the two species on the nation's public land.

"This advisory board is an outstanding example of collaboration at work and I am grateful to all those who have agreed to serve," said Kathleen Clarke, Bureau of Land Management director. "Wild horse and burro management is an important aspect of the BLM's multiple use mission, which is our agency's great strength."

From more than 27 nominations, the Secretaries of the Interior and Agriculture selected two individuals to serve three-year term and reappointed one member for another three-year term. They are Bill Higham of Billings, Mont., public at large; Dr. Jay Merriam, Uxbridge, Mass, wild horse and burro research; and Robin Lohnes, Washington, D.C., wild horse and burro advocacy.

Among other things, the board will look closely at how the bureau has refined its management strategy to achieve healthy lands and healthy herds, Clarke said.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Playground closed

The Kidz Konnection playground will be closed from Tuesday, March 19, through Thursday, March 21.

The Parks and Recreation Department will be resealing the playground. For more information, call the Parks and Rec Department at 257-5030.

Depression program

A free "How Are You Feeling?" program will be presented for seniors next week by Valerie Pierce, MSW-LISW Heritage Program for Senior Adults.

Anyone who is feeling anxiety, low self-esteem, depression, had confused thoughts or a change in eating or sleeping patterns is invited to attend this program sponsored by the Lincoln County Family and Community Education Clubs; the Zia Senior Citizens Centers and the Lincoln County Cooperative Extension Service.

Programs will be at the Zia Senior Citizens Center in Carrizozo, 406 Central Avenue, 1:30-2:30 p.m. March 19; in San Patricio at St. Jude Parish Hall, Highway 70, 1:30-2:30 p.m. March 20; in Capitan, 115 Yard Road, 1:30-2:30 p.m. March 22.

Young Americans

There's still time for students in grades 4 through 12 to sign up for three days of performing arts classes and workshops with The Young Americans, a company of 36 performers and six staff members. The classes and workshops are Thursday afternoon through Saturday, with a two-hour performance at 7:30 p.m. March 16 at Ruidoso High School. To sign up, contact your school. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students. For more information, contact Patty White at 257-4051.

DWI prevention

During March last year, 22 people died in alcohol-related car crashes in New Mexico, and more than 8 have died in such crashes so far this year. Officers from the Ruidoso Police Department are joining officers throughout the state in making sure New Mexicans

are buckled up and driving safely and soberly this March and throughout the year. Until March 24, officers will participate in Superblitz, a crackdown on DWI and lack of seat belt use. Through the use of saturation patrols and checkpoints, officers will make sure the roads are safe for all New Mexicans and tourists from other states.

"March is the month for St. Patrick's Day and Superblitz," said Sergeant Dewayne Gear from the Ruidoso Police Department. "We will be out on the streets, roads and highways, and we will catch you if you are breaking the law. If you don't stop drinking and driving, we'll stop you."

The Ruidoso Police Department works in partnership with the Traffic Safety Bureau, a division of the New Mexico State Highway and Transportation Department, to enforce the state's driving laws and encourage New Mexicans to drive safely.

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RUIDOSO POLICE

Driving arrest

Ruidoso police arrested Michael E. Chavez, 29, of Ruidoso, March 10, on Highway 70 at milemarker 260, charging him with DWI traveling 68 mph in a 45 mph zone and driving on a suspended or revoked license.

DUI charged

Christopher Ashley Melon, 29, of Odessa, Texas, was arrested March 8 and charged with aggravated driving under the influence of alcohol, first offense.

DWI arrest

Police arrested Robert Joe Barker, 54, of Lovington, on March 9, charging him with DWI and not driving in a single lane on a roadway, after stopping him at Highways 70 and 48.

Runaway found

Police arrested two 14-year-old girls at 10:50 p.m. March 10 at Ski Run Road and Highway 48, charging them with being minors allowing self to be served and charging one with being a runaway, after being notified by BIA that she had been reported missing. The youths were transported to Ruidoso Police Department, their guardians were called and both were referred to the Juvenile Probation Office for further disposition.

Motor home damaged

A motor home in the 600 block of Sudderth Drive was broken into between 1 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. March 8. A large stone was used to gain entry to the residence. The owner had reportedly previously been robbed there, with firearms taken.

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I am now in my 26th year of practice in Roswell. I would like to convey a sincere heart felt note of appreciation to all my Patients, Former Patients, Friends, Enemies, Colleagues, Allens, Republicans, Democrats, Baptists, and Non-Baptists, Pagans, Heathens and the community of Ruidoso in general. It has been a remarkable and rewarding quarter of a century.
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While there is no cure for AMD, exciting surgical techniques to repair the damaged retina are in the early stages of research. Current management strategies include magnification, visual training and use of prisms. In the future, nutritional factors may play a role in prevention and treatment. The National Eye Institute of the National Institutes of Health is supporting an ongoing study on the relation between macular degeneration and certain antioxidant vitamins. The hope is that the vitamins can lessen the occurrence and severity of the disease. Amlier grid testing is used to detect early signs of AMD.
We invite you to stop by Family Vision Center, 159 Mesalero Trail if you have questions concerning AMD, cataracts, glaucoma or diabetes and your eyes. Take care of your eyes, they're the only ones you'll ever have.

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"This seeks to broaden significantly where towers will be permitted," he said, adding that he objects from the stance of property rights and a reduction in property values. He asked that residential areas be eliminated from consideration. While the board didn't go that far, it added wording to emphasize residential areas would be a "last resort."

Mike Rannels, director of village planning and zoning, the department that administers the ETZ, said the new rules provide several grounds for the board to refuse an application, including the effect on property values, citizen opposition, the number and height of towers, the preservation of a scenic ridge line and for safety and environmental reasons.

Charles Rennick, the attorney who advises the board, warned that the 1996 Federal Telecommunication Act was designed to foster competition and to allow as much expansion as possible to prevent existing companies from becoming entrenched. Decisions by the ETZ must be non-discriminatory and approved sites have to be effective, he said.

The old ordinance limited towers to industrial districts, but the only such district in the ETZ zone was in a canyon and ineffective for radio, television or communications. Contractor Carl Kelley, who builds towers, said the terrain in and around Ruidoso is tough to cover because of the canyons and mountains.

At Stevens' urging, the authority, consisting of two county commissioners and one Ruidoso village councillor, increased the required number of published notifications of an application and expanded the distance within which property owners must be sent notification letters.

"The neighbor may not be a permanent resident and may not subscribe to the tabloids," said William Schwettmann, an ETZA member and county commissioner who agreed with the changes in a set of recommended changes from the ETZ Commission. That board of representatives from the county and the village approves or rejects applications and sends recommendations to the

authority on other issues. Authority Chairman L. Ray Nunley, a county commissioner, said he expects satellites to replace towers in a few years, but something is needed in the interim.

"When this (old) ordinance was written, cell phones didn't even exist," he said. "At the same time, we must be careful where they are placed and ensure they are unobtrusive."

Currently, two towers are located in the Camelot condominium area, two in the Alto Village/Alto Hill area and one in downtown Ruidoso, in addition to several outside of the ET zone on Buck Mountain.

Under the new regulations, a telecommunication tower or other facility is a conditional use in any land use zone and therefore, requires a public hearing.

"It is not allowed as a matter of right in any district," Rennick said. The term "facility" would include buildings, church steeples, water tanks and other structures with antennas.

An applicant will be required to submit a site plan with a survey of the property indicating setbacks from property lines and adjoining land uses. An inventory of all existing or planned towers or facilities within the ETZ and surrounding it must be included, including the national forest.

Applicants will be encouraged to locate their appliances

on existing structures or towers, and must explain why that's not possible if they are asking to build a new tower.

Left intact was a requirement inserted by the ETZ Commission for tower builders to post bonds to cover the cost of future removal.

Other changes include:

- The notification area was expanded from 200 feet to 300 feet and two legal notices will be required instead of one with the applicant paying the expense. The previously stipulated 15 days for the process was increased to 30.

- Wording that residential zones are the least desired for towers and that the ETZ Commission should consider placement based on a priority approach with public land, industrial and commercial areas preferred.

- Approval of applications would take into account aesthetics.

- Gave more latitude to the authority by saying that decisions by the ETZ Commission may be reviewed upon appeal or by request of an authority member.

- Provide 105 percent of the tower's height as set back from the property line to create a safety area in case the tower collapses.

- Limited the height of towers to 70 feet unless space is provided for other antennae to be attached, then the height could increase to 180 feet.

- Hobbyists with small antennae specifically are excluded from the rules by federal law.

RUIDOSO POLICE

Driving arrest

Ruidoso police arrested Michael E. Chavez, 29, of Ruidoso, March 10, on Highway 70 at milemarker 260, charging him with DWI, traveling 68 mph in a 45 mph zone and driving on a suspended or revoked license.

DUI charged

Christopher Ashley Melton, 29, of Odessa, Texas, was arrested March 8 and charged with aggravated driving under the influence of alcohol, first offense.

DWI arrest

Police arrested Robert Joe Barker, 54, of Lovington, on March 9, charging him with DWI and not driving in a single lane on a roadway, after stopping him at Highways 70 and 48.

Runaway found

Police arrested two 14-year-old girls at 10:50 p.m. March 10, at Ski Run Road and Highway 48, charging them with being minors allowing self to be served and charging one with being a runaway, after being notified by BIA that she had been reported missing. The youths were transported to Ruidoso Police Department, their guardians were called and both were referred to the Juvenile Probation Office for further disposition.

Motor home damaged

A motor home in the 600 block of Spudderth Drive was broken into between 1 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. March 8. A large stone was used to gain entry to the residence. The owner had reportedly previously been robbed there, with firearms taken.

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While there is no cure for AMD, exciting surgical techniques to repair the damaged retina are in the early stages of research. Current management strategies include magnification, visual training and use of prisms. In the future, nutritional factors may play a role in prevention and treatment. The National Eye Institute of the National Institutes of Health is supporting an ongoing study on the relation between macular degeneration and certain antioxidant vitamins. The hope is that the vitamins can lessen the occurrence and severity of the disease. Amstar grid testing is used to detect early signs of AMD.

We invite you to stop by Family Vision Center, 159 Mesacalero Trail if you have questions concerning AMD, cataracts, glaucoma or diabetes and your eyes. Take care of your eyes, they're the only ones you'll ever have.

CAPTAIN SCHOOLS

Meeting: Board of Education, 6 p.m., Thursday, March 14, Administration Building

Actions:
• Board Policy Section III/9.2 Licensed Personnel
• Superintendent contract extension
• Approval of consent agenda items: Athletics, Cafeteria, Activity, bills paid and payable; budget transfers and/or increases

Business items:
• Student Senate
• CACT
• PTA
• Public comment: Playgrounds - Pat Sullivan

Informational:
• Enrollment update, 120th day - Larry Miller
• Budget input - Larry Miller
• NMSBA Conference - Larry Miller
• Calendar of events update - Larry Miller

Executive session:
• Pursuant to Section 10-15-1 (E) (2) Limited personnel matters: 2002-2003 budget effects on personnel

FUNERALS DEATHS

John M. Tudor

A memorial service for John M. Tudor, 57, of Ruidoso, will be at 8 a.m. Thursday at Christ Church of the Downs, with the Rev. Al Lane officiating.

Mr. Tudor died Sunday, March 10, 2002, in Ruidoso. He was born April 23, 1944, in Seminole, Texas.

He moved to Lincoln County in 1995 from Austin, Texas, and was elementary principal at Mesacalero Schools during the 1995-96 school year.

He married Brenda Porter on Dec. 15, 1996, in Mesacalero.

Survivors include his wife, Brenda Mansfield of Ruidoso; a stepdaughter, Ginny Mansfield of Ruidoso; an aunt and uncle, Brooknie and Watt Wilkinson of Ruidoso; a cousin, J.E. Mathews of Throckmorton, Texas; grandsons William and David Meese; a friend, Bobby Meese; a son, John Strickland Tudor; and a daughter, Anna Ruth Tudor.

The family suggests memorials to Mothers Against Drunk Drivers.

Wild horse board to meet in D.C.

Three people were selected to serve on the Wild Horse and Burro Advisory Board, charged with guiding federal agencies on the management and protection of the two species on the nation's public land.

"This advisory board is an outstanding example of collaboration at work and I am grateful to all those who have agreed to serve," said Kathleen Clarke, Bureau of Land Management director. "Wild horse and burro management is an important aspect of the BLM's multiple use mission, which is our agency's great strength."

From more than 27 nominations, the Secretaries of the Interior and Agriculture selected two individuals to serve three-year term and reappointed one member for another three-year term. They are Bill Higham of Billings, Mont., public at large; Dr. Jay Merriam, Uxbridge, Mass, wild horse and burro research; and Robin Lohnes, Washington, D.C., wild horse and burro advocacy.

Among other things, the board will look closely at how the bureau has refined its management strategy to achieve healthy lands and healthy herds, Clarke said.

The public has a chance to see the new board at 8:30 a.m. on March 19 and 20, at Georgetown Suites, Harbor Room, 1000-29th St. NW, Washington, D.C. The meetings will run to 5 p.m. each day. People can address the board at 3 p.m. on March 19. Individuals who want to make a statement should register before the meeting by calling (775) 861-6583 or by signing the registration form at the meeting site by noon, March 19.

For more information about the meeting, contact Janet Nordin, outreach specialist, at (775) 861-6583.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Playground closed

The Kidz Konection playground will be closed from Tuesday, March 19, through Thursday, March 21.

The Parks and Recreation Department will be resealing the playground. For more information, call the Parks and Rec Department at 257-5030.

Depression program

A free "How Are You Feeling?" program will be presented for seniors next week by Valeria Pierce, MSW/LISW Heritage Program for Senior Adults.

Anyone who is feeling anxiety, low self-esteem, depression, had confused thoughts or a change in eating or sleeping patterns is invited to attend this program sponsored by the Lincoln County Family and Community Education Clubs, the Zia Senior Citizens Centers and the Lincoln County Cooperative Extension Service.

Programs will be at the Zia Senior Citizens Centers: in Carrizosa, 406 Central Avenue, 1:30-2:30 p.m. March 19; in San Patricio at St. Jude Parish Hall, Highway 70, 1:30-2:30 p.m. March 20; in Capitan, 115 Yard Road, 1:30-2:30 p.m. March 22.

Young Americans

There's still time for students in grades 4 through 12 to sign up for three days of performing arts classes and workshops with The Young Americans, a company of 36 performers and six staff members. The classes and workshops are Thursday afternoon through Saturday, with a two-hour performance at 7:30 p.m. March 16 at Ruidoso High School. To sign up, contact your school. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students. For more information, contact Patty White at 257-4051.

DWI prevention

During March last year, 22 people died in alcohol-related car crashes in New Mexico, and more than 9 have died in such crashes so far this year.

Officers from the Ruidoso Police Department are joining officers throughout the state in making sure New Mexicans

are buckled up and driving safely and soberly this March and throughout the year.

Until March 24, officers will participate in Superblitz, a crackdown on DWI and lack of seat belt use. Through the use of saturation patrols and checkpoints, officers will make sure the roads are safe for all New Mexicans and tourists from other states.

"March is the month for St. Patrick's Day and Superblitz," said Sergeant Dewayne Gear from the Ruidoso Police Department. "We will be out on the streets, roads and highways, and we will catch you if you are breaking the law. If you don't stop drinking and driving, we'll stop you."

The Ruidoso Police Department works in partnership with the Traffic Safety Bureau, a division of the New Mexico State Highway and Transportation Department, to enforce the state's driving laws and encourage New Mexicans to drive safely.

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SPORTS

Boxing card set at Inn of the Mountain Gods

BY TODD FUQUA

RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

In 10 days, the Ruidoso area will be reeling from a series of exciting boxing matches which should thrill anyone in attendance.

At least, that's the hope of promoter Tony Bolden, as he gears up for five bouts March 23 at the Inn of the Mountain Gods.

"They're all pretty well-matched," Bolden said of the

fighters. "When we started putting this together, we wanted to match these fighters up so we would see some well-contested bouts. People will get their money's worth."

The 10-round feature bout will pit Alamogordo native Eric Holland, a former WBC middleweight and WBB junior middleweight world champion, with a 22-30-4 record, against Jose Cataneo of El Paso.

Cataneo is a former IBO

middleweight champion and has a 25-21-2 record.

Among the undercard bouts are Albuquerque's Joseph Brady (9-0-1, four knockouts) vs. Eugene Lopez of Denver (10-19-1, 7 KOs) and a women's match featuring Holly Holm from Albuquerque (1-1) against Janae Romero of Denver (2-1-1, 1 KO).

This is only the start of what Bolden hopes will be a series of quality matches in the Ruidoso-

Alamogordo area.

A future match at the Alamogordo Convention Center May 18 will feature New Zealand heavyweights James Thunder and Samson Pa-Hua, and an added number of fights could be scheduled at the Inn of the Mountain Gods.

All fights on the March 23 card will be held at the Inn's West Conference Center. The gates will open at 6 p.m., with fights to start at 7 p.m.

Bolden said the Conference Center is perfectly suited to presenting fights like this, and there won't be a bad seat in the house.

"All seats will practically be ring-side," Bolden said. "Seating is limited, though. We'll be selling only 500 tickets for assigned seating."

Tickets are on sale at the Ramada Limited. Call 378-8100 for purchasing information.

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Ski Report

Ski Report
Head at Report Time: Clear
High: 43 in.
Surface Conditions: Variable
Trails Open: All trails are open
Lifts Open: 10 of 11 lifts are open
Trails Enclosed Today: 15 of 65
Snowmaking Past 24 Hours: No
Forecast: Mostly sunny.

Preps on Tap

Thursday, March 14
Baseball
Ruidoso vs. Sandia Prep in Hal Bogle Tourney at Dexter, 7 p.m.

Friday, March 15
Baseball
Ruidoso in Hal Bogle Tourney at Dexter, TBA
Softball
Ruidoso in Socorro Tournament, TBA
Track
Captain Carrizozo, Mesalero in Demon Relays at Dexter

Saturday, March 16
Baseball
Ruidoso in Hal Bogle Tourney at Dexter, TBA
Track
Ruidoso in White Sands Relays at Alamogordo, 9 a.m.

Monday, March 18
Softball
Ruidoso vs. Dexter, 6 p.m.

Tuesday, March 19
Softball
Ruidoso at Roswell (2), 4 p.m.
Track
Captain Carrizozo, Corona in Henry Sanchez Relays at Captain.

Warrior nine striving for post-season

BY TODD FUQUA

RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Ruidoso may never have been seen as a baseball power, but Warrior head coach Mike Morris hopes this season may change all that.

"I don't look to be a spoiler, I just look

for us to be there," said Morris, referring to a trip to the post-season. "Right now, we have two seniors, a few juniors and the rest are sophomores. Hopefully, everything will start falling into place."

In baseball, the first thing that has to fall into place is pitching, and the

Warriors have a pretty good staff in Reese Parkinson, James Urban, Wes Adaza, Willie Lundquist, Matt Berry, Chad Swanner and Kendall Bishop.

Unfortunately for Ruidoso, three of those pitchers have been suspended for disciplinary reasons, and the depth kind of falls off after that. That will make Morris' first order of the day to develop the pitching he has left.

"If we can hold our own until we get those three back, I think we'll be okay," Morris said. "One should come back March 30, the others will be back with three games left in district."

District games start fast this season, like every year. The Warriors play in just two tournaments before starting the District 4-3A season March 26 with a double-header at Portales.

Ruidoso opens Thursday at 7 p.m. with a game against Sandia Prep in the Hal Bogle tournament at Dexter. Sandia Prep is the defending state champion in class 1A/2A.

"They put us with a good one," Morris said. "If we can hold our own with them, we're going to be in good

shape."

Every district date is a twin-bill affair, and Morris stated such an arrangement demands a well-developed pitching staff.

"Our strength is Swanner, Parkinson and probably Bishop," Morris said. "That's our depth. When you play a double-header, that doesn't leave much."

One area Morris has no worries about is hitting. His Warriors can hit, and it will just be a question of how many runs ahead Ruidoso can get in most games.

"We hit the ball, that's one good thing," Morris said. "In the last couple of years, we've been hitting well and I don't expect anything less this year. Scoring shouldn't be a problem. If our pitching comes through, we should be all right."

Ruidoso also has a pretty solid infield with Julian Serna at third base, Swanner at shortstop, Berry holding down second base and Bishop at first. Morris' only other big concern is the outfield.

Getting good enough in those areas to get to the playoffs could be another tall order. District 4-3A is once again the

"This is what the program has been all about. We've been trying to bring it up, and now it's here."

Mike Morris
Ruidoso head coach

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
March 14-15	Banker Tourney	Away	TEA
March 21-22	Banker Tourney	Away	TEA
March 25	Portales (2)	Away	3 p.m.
April 1	Alamogordo (2)	Home	3 p.m.
April 2	Alamogordo (2)	Away	3 p.m.
April 5	Lovejoy (2)	Home	1 p.m.
April 6	Portales (2)	Home	3 p.m.
April 7	Portales (2)	Home	1 p.m.
April 10	Alamogordo (2)	Away	3 p.m.
April 16	Alamogordo (2)	Home	11 a.m.
April 20	Lovejoy (2)	Away	3 p.m.

*Denotes District 4-3A games



Ruidoso senior Chad Swanner fires the ball to first base during practice Monday at the Ruidoso baseball field. The Warriors begin their regular season Thursday with a game against Sandia Prep in the Hal Bogle tournament in Dexter.

Two Warriors finish first at WT Relays

BY TODD FUQUA

RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

With only four competitors placing in the top three in any event, and only one girl placing in any event, one might think the Ruidoso track team got off to a rocky start last weekend at the West Texas Relays in Odessa.

Just remember, this is the beginning of the year, and there was some very, very good competition at that event.

Ruidoso coach Ronny Maskew had stated he wanted to get his team some tough competition right off the bat, and that's just what the Warriors got.

Nick Fajardo and Phillip Darley had the best performances of the team, each placing first in their events. Fajardo won the 400-meter dash competition with a best time of 52.72, while Darley won the pole vault title with a mark of 13 feet, 6 inches.

Darley also took fourth in the long jump, leaping for a distance of 19-2 1/4.

Jose Linares held his own in the 100-meter dash, placing third with a time of 11.29. Other Warriors competing in the event were Tyler Linares — fifth

Small-school track teams to start at Dexter

Wind and weather has been a challenge to teams, but not as challenging as the upcoming competition.

BY TODD BUTTS
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Tracksters from around the area are working hard as they prepare for the Demon Relays to be held Friday in Dexter. Captain Carrizozo and Mesalero will all attend to see how they fair in this early season meet.

The local wind and weather has been a challenge for the teams as they try to get in shape for the upcoming season.

Captain had a good turnout this year, with about 60 kids coming out for the high school track team. According to Tiger coach Mike Booty, many of them are putting in the extra effort to make a good showing this year.

Captain Tiger Ryan Kimbrell is leading the way for his teammates. Kimbrell, who took second at the state track meet last year in the pole vault and the javelin, also qualified in the long jump.

Kimbrell is looking to add another field event to his efforts. He has already hit the state qualifying mark for the shot put in practice.

The Captain girls are expecting a good season with the majority of the girls returning. Senior Jessica Neal will also be providing leadership for the Tigers.

Neal brought home a third-place finish in the 100-meter hurdles at the state meet last year.

Tiger coach Ed Davis' philosophy is to bring his kids along slowly and avoid injuries. Davis wants to have his kids at their peak approximately two weeks before district. Between now and then, it's about getting them in shape and teaching them technique.

The Carrizozo team is also putting its nose to the grindstone as it prepares for the 2002 track season.

The Lady Grizzlies are looking strong and have high hopes. Senior Bianca Baca the is lead runner for the relays, and the Grizzly girls qualified for state in all the relays last season.

The girls hope to repeat as state champions in the mile relay with Ariel Burr and Ariel Vallejos returning from that team. They will be joined this year by newcomer Whitney Whittaker.

Baca, Burr and Vallejos all qualified in multiple events last year for the state meet.

Just like in football for the Grizzlies, the boys team will have their work cut out for them, with only 10 boys coming out for the track team. They will have to compete in several events to fill all the slots.

"We are going to take it slow and try to stay healthy. We are going to run and get in shape, see where everybody is at," said Grizzly coach Pat Ventura. "We are short on boys and it is going to be tough."



Tiger warrior Ryan Kimbrell takes a practice leap recently in Captain. Kimbrell qualified for state last year in pole vault, javelin and long jump, taking second place in pole vault and javelin.

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See TRACK, page 9A

BASEBALL: Being the playoffs

Senior district in baseball, featuring Portales and New Mexico Military Institute.

These two teams met each other for the 3A title last year with NMMI winning on a thrilling last-inning single. As those two, Portales should also be a solid team.

"We've put ourselves up there too," Morris said. "If we can play well enough, we'll beat them."

This is what the program has been all about. "We've been trying to bring it up, and it's here," he added. "We're looking for good things."



Sophomore third baseman Julian Serna picks up the ball during an infield drill Monday at the Ruidoso baseball complex. Serna is part of what Ruidoso coach Mike Morris hopes is a solid part of his team.

RACK: Now start for warrior team

Senior and Josue Linares finished with a mark of 11.81.

He also took fifth with a mark of 24.36 in the 200 meter race.

Hooper finished in the high jump with a mark of 5-8 as the fourth

member of the Warriors to take third place or better.

Other Warrior placers were: Nathan Hedin, fourth in the 800-meter run with a time of 2:04.05 and Joshua Romero, sixth in the 3,200-meter run with a time of 10:56.93.

Cecily Howell was the only Lady Warrior to place in any event, taking sixth in the girls pole vault with a high mark of 7-foot-6.

The Ruidoso tracksters next compete Saturday at the White Sands Invitational at Alamogordo.

Lobos to face Minnesota in first round of NIT

The University of New Mexico Lobos may not be in the big dance, but they'll still be dancing in the post-season come tonight.

UNM, following their thrilling double-overtime 120-117 loss to University of Nevada-Las Vegas in the first round of the Mountain West Conference, has been chosen for the National Invitational Tournament and will face Minnesota.

The game is set for 6 p.m. at Williams Arena in Minneapolis.

While it's not a trip to the NCAA Tournament, it is the seventh straight post-season appearance for the Lobos (16-13) since the 1995-96 season. UNM has appeared in either the NCAA Tournament or the NIT in 18 of the last 19 years.

Minnesota (17-12) finished sixth in the Big Ten Conference and lost to Illinois in the tournament semifinals. The Golden Gophers are led by freshman forward Rick Rickert, averaging 14.2 points per game. Senior Dusty Rychart adds 6.8 rebounds per game and 13.3 ppg.

Neither team has a common opponent on their schedule this year, and the two schools haven't met on the basketball court since a 102-68 win by UNM in Albuquerque back in 1973.

This is the Lobos' third straight NIT appearance, having advanced to the second round in 2000 before losing to Wake Forest. They advanced to the quarterfinals in 2001, losing to Memphis.

UNM has been to the NIT a total of 16 times and is 16-16 overall in the tournament. They have advanced to the semifinals twice.

Fishing report for Ruidoso area, March 13, 2002

Ruidoso River: The water level in the River is still at the lowest level reported for the past year. We are under 2 CFS and dropping. If you plan to fish the river, we suggest you concentrate your efforts below the confluence of Catrino Creek downstream to the Gavilan Canyon Bridge. The river was stocked March 6 with more than 1,200 Rainbow trout averaged 11.6 inches in length. The last stocking was 10 weeks previous. It is just one more reason to please practice catch and release.

Special note: The Ruidoso River will have a new bag limit starting April 1. In the past a five fish limit was in effect. The new limit will be three fish. A good move by the NMFS Department to help conservation and a quality fishery.

Stonies are declining in numbers in the River. Rock Worms are declining in size and quantity. Pheasant tail nymphs and bead head Prince nymphs will produce fish when about anything else fails. Tie a dry fly on as a lead fly then tie a nymph dropper about 12-18 inches behind. Use the lead fly as your strike indicator. This is an effective and fun way to fish small waters.

Wear layers of clothes as the temperature near the water changes quickly. Remember to always wear eye protection.

Southfork - Southfork is about done until Spring. The water flow rate is at a trickle.

Bonito Lake: Bonito Lake is closed until April 1.

Eagle Lakes: Eagle Lakes are closed for the

season.

Chilcote: No change from the past couple of weeks. Grindstone continues to offer sporty fishing. Woody Buzzards and Zonkers fished fairly deep have produced fish the past two weeks. For spin casters, tie on Olive or Black propeller fly behind a bubble fly and enjoy catching fish. Please remember to squeeze the barbs down on all hooks; this will reduce injury to any fish caught and returned to the water.

Lake Mesquero: The lake level is quite low, but is fishing well. Dark woolly buggers continue to take fish late in the day. A few folks have been successful with Parachute Adams, Mosquito, or Hendrickson patterns and casting to rising fish. Remember to get your day pass at the front desk. Please practice catch and release wherever and whenever you can.

We have moved our local shop. New address is 2501 Sudderth Drive. Come see us for daily fishing information. Check out our improved and expanded website for community information.

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UNM women to play Notre Dame in NCAA

After a big season and one year after finishing second in the Women's National Invitational Tournament, the New Mexico women's basketball team will be going to the NCAA Tournament.

Their job is difficult at the very start, however, as they take on the defending national champions.

UNM (22-8) will face off against Notre Dame (19-9) Friday at Thompson-Boling Arena in Knoxville, Tenn., in the first round of the Midwest Regional. Game time is set at 4:06 p.m. MST.

The Irish finished second in the Big East Conference behind top-seeded Connecticut, going 13-3 in that league.

"This is absolutely incredible," said senior guard Molly McKinnon. "All the waiting and speculation was a little nerve-wracking, but it was all worth it now."

"Just seeing our name up there on the TV was unbelievable," said junior Jordan Adams. "This is a fantastic feeling. This is something that we worked for all season long, and it paid off."

This is the Lobos' second showing in the NCAA, having won the Western Athletic Conference tournament in 1998.

UNM fell to Nebraska 76-59 in the first round that year.

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101 REAL ESTATE

104 JUNCTION
New 1/2 Acre
Cottage Country

106 HOUSE FOR SALE
2 MILES Past Bonito Lake turnoff, 2 houses on 5 fenced acres. Water well, septic, propane. Horses welcome. Appraised at \$134,000. Will take \$115,000. 257-4101 or 491-3377.

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FURNISHED and unfurnished 1 & 2 bedroom apartments; bills paid. No pets. 258-3111

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THREE BD two ba furnished or unfurnished with hot tub and view of mountains. \$950 per mo plus utilities. Call Casas de Ruidoso toll free 1-888-257-7577 or local 257-7577.

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2BD/1-1/2BA, 2 level, vaulted ceiling, Paradise Canyon near Sudderth, \$770/mo. Includes all.

3 BD/2BA washer/dryer, 2 car garage. No Pets, no smoking. \$700 + Utilities. 378-1777.

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ADMIN ASST/SALES PT. Must have good computer skills and ability to learn. M.S. Office and Quickbooks are fundamental. Ability to sell hi-end products and assist owner of store. People skills and a sense of style/color desirable. energy & effort are key. send resume to upscale outdoors, fax 258-4811 or call John at 258-3934

ALL POSITIONS nursery and landscaping. Apply in person at Corney's Nursery. 378-4374

ATTN HOUSEKEEPERS! Are you reliable and independent? We offer competitive wages plus an excellent customer-oriented work environment will be peaceful and friendly. Please call Angie at 336-4361.

CARPENTER: EXPERIENCED framer. Self start. Call for info. Some masonry. Dependable Transportation. \$10/hr. Call after 5 PM. 338-9114

CASA BLANCA is accepting applications for all positions. Call for info. Some masonry. Dependable Transportation. \$10/hr. Call after 5 PM. 338-9114

Cattle Baron & Farley's are currently accepting applications for all positions. Great wages and the best tip potential around. Insurance and 401(k) plan available. Apply in person for an interview between 2pm-5pm, Mon-Fri, and 11am-3pm Sat. & Sun. Applications accepted at any time during business hours. Apply at 637 Sudderth or 1200 Mechem. No phone call please. Cattle Baron Restaurants, Inc. is an EOE.

COOK NEEDED @ the Cafe. Apply in person. HWY 48 and Gavilan Canyon.

NOW HIRING experienced day and evening servers/bussers/bartenders. Must have NM Server Certificate and verifiable references. Kokopelli Club, 201 High Mesa Rd., Alto, No Phone Calls Please. Apply in Person.

122 EMPLOYMENT

DENTAL ASSISTANT experienced chairside assistant with people skills. NM certification not absolutely required but initiative to obtain them is. Working hours 7:30 - 4:45, Mon-Thurs, Fri. 8-12. Send resume to Robert E. White, DDS, 2808 Indian Wells Rd., Alamogordo, NM 88310

DIAMOND SHAMROCK now hiring night shift. Apply in Person. 1801 Sudderth, Ruidoso.

DRIVERS: ARE YOU ready for some miles? Good pay/2800+miles/get home/Family pet travel/Flightliner fleet call Dick Simon Trucking 888-880-8028.

Established New Mexico Company is opening a new retail location in Alto! We are looking for fun, responsible customer-oriented employees for a fast-paced environment. Hourly rate, plus benefits available after six months. 401K retirement plan available after one year. Come and join our team! Call 505-354-2233.

EXTRA INCOME 2002 \$200-\$500 weekly mailing travel brochures. For more information send a self-addressed stamped envelope to: Kambridge Travel, P.O. Box 80096, Springfield, MA 01198.

GUARDOLA CONSULTING is seeking qualified Heavy Equipment Operators and CDL Truck Drivers. Good starting pay. Please call 505-257-2279.

HEAD START Family Coordinator. Region IX Education Cooperative (Lincoln County Head Start) is seeking a highly qualified individual committed to early childhood programs. Minimum qualifications: 1. Post Secondary training/experience preferred. 2. Successful experience in early childhood program; 3. Computer skills in word processing, data base, spreadsheet production, and desktop publishing; 4. Strong written, verbal and interpersonal communication skills; and 5. Bilingual (Spanish/English) preferred, not required. Only fully qualified individuals need apply. Application deadline is March 15, 2002, 4:00 p.m. Call REC IX - (505) 257-2368 (Fred Romero or Teresa Bennett) for complete job description and application. REC IX is an equal opportunity employer.

HELP WANTED. Bussers & Servers. Apply in person 2 to 4 pm Tues, thru Friday. Michelsa's 2307 Sudderth.

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Earn While You Learn. Ask about our Nursing Assistant Training Program
RUIDOSO CARE CENTER
257-9071

MANAGER NEEDED in Finance office. Collection experience a plus but not necessary. HS Diploma or equivalent. Good transportation, auto insurance, valid driver's license. Benefits include hourly wages starting at \$7.00 to \$12.00 an hour depending on experience + bonuses, health insurance, life insurance, paid vacations and paid holidays. Apply in person 238 Sudderth, Ruidoso.

MECHANIC NEEDED. Apply in Person. 309 Harris Ln.

MR. BURGER now taking applications for counter help and cook positions. Apply 11am - 2 pm or 5 pm to 9 pm. 1203 Mechem.

ON CALL PT position available. Excellent opportunity for retiree or person needing to supplement an income. Must be available 2 nights weekly and every third week-end. Only applicants that can pass an extensive background security check will be considered. Those interested should call 258-5070 to arrange an interview.

PANTER INTERIOR/ Exterior. Good finish man. Self starter. Good at meeting/airless. Industries leaders. Must have dependable transportation. Call after 6:00 PM. 336-9116

PARALEGAL OR Real Estate closer. Send resume to PO Box 128, Ruidoso, NM 88355.

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EGYPT found months dogs. black 1 female. 464-101

HIGH 7 bal. No. 888-701

15 C freezer. \$200.00

BASE per ton. and sale. (505) 3118

DRIVE good. STOVE top, LP. 1555.

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RENTALS:
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3 BDRM/3BA on 5 acres \$1,200 per month, \$1,000 deposit

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257-2578

UNIQUE 3/2 house across from National Forest. View of Sierra Blanca. 1700 sq.ft. Income producing property. weekly/nightly guest house. www.sierravestachalet.com 800-483-6934. \$99,500.

2 BD, 1 3/4 ba, D.R., L.F. with Wood Burning Stove. Unfurnished, new paint and carpet. Wonderful location with views. \$675.00/mo. + utilities. No pets/ no smoking. Deposit \$500.00 with long term lease only. Call 630-9200 or 258-3876 after 5PM.

3BD/2BA UNFURNISHED condo 1800 SqFt, 2 levels, all appliances, 2 car port, 2 fireplaces, pool & hot tub. \$900 + utilities. Casas de Ruidoso, Inc. Toll free 1-888-257-7577 or local 257-7577

CIMARRON CONDOS. \$375/mo. plus deposit. 878-5280.

EAGLE CREEK Condo. 2bd/2ba furnished, new carpet. \$550 mo. Call CENTURY 21Apex Real Estate, Marilyn or James 257-8057. Owners are NM Licensed Brokers.

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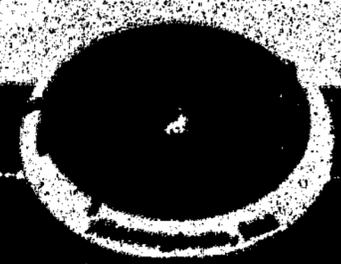
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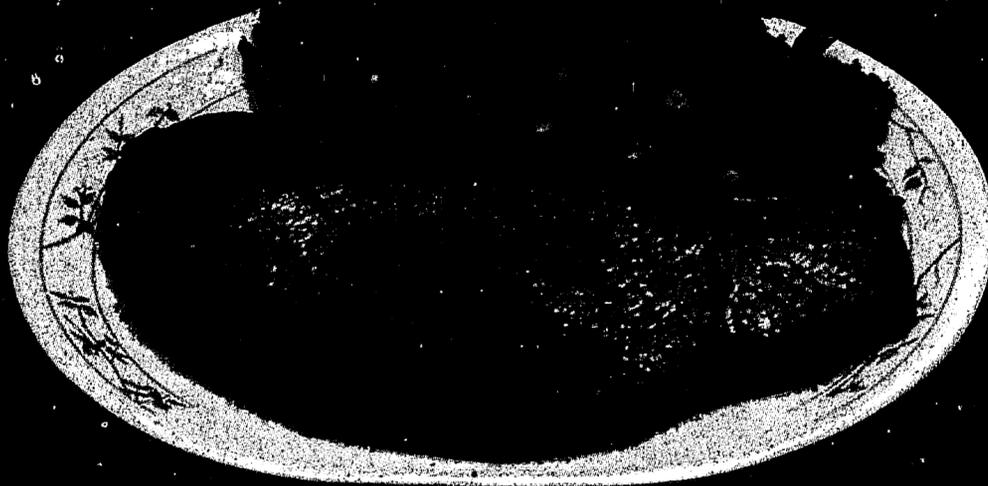
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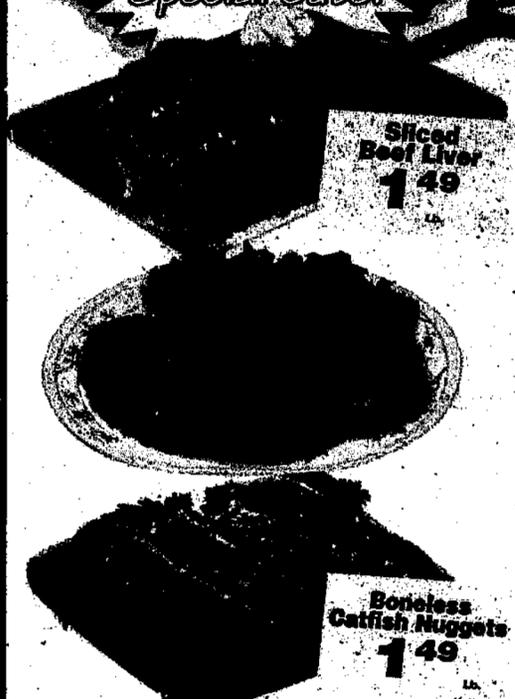
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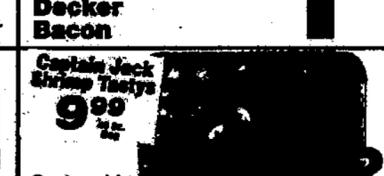
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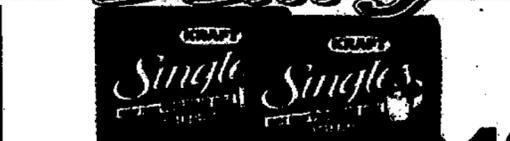
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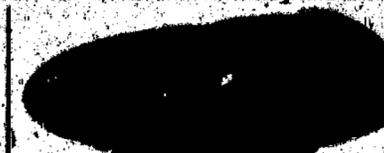
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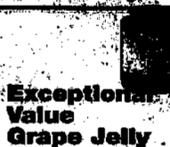
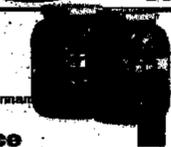
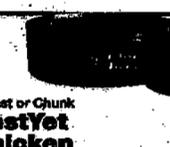
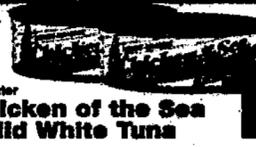
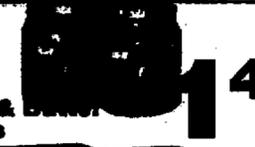
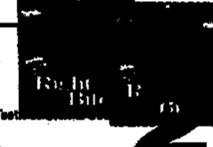
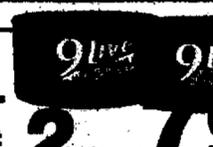
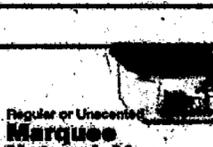
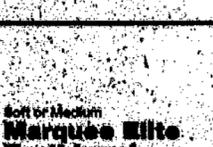
 Selected Varieties Yoplait Expressé Yogurt 10.5 oz. Container 1.99	 Stak Pak Kraft American Singles 16 oz. Pkg. 3.49	 Cheddar or Colby Wisconsin's Finest Half Moon Cheese 16 oz. Pkg. 2.69
 Cheddar or Colby Wisconsin's Finest Half Moon Cheese 10 oz. Pkg. 1.79	 10 Oz. Homestyle or Buttermilk IGA Texas Style Biscuits 12 oz. Pkg. 79¢	 Selected Varieties Country Club Orange Juice Gallon Container 3.29

Frozen Foods

 Selected Varieties Budget Gourmet Entrees 8.75-10.5 oz. Pkg. For 4.95	 Selected Varieties Swanson's Dinners 10-13.5 oz. Pkg. For 2.94	 Buttermilk or Homestyle Aunt Jemima Waffles 12.5 oz. Pkg. 99¢	 Country Charm Ice Cream Sandwiches 12 Oz. Pkg. 3.39
 Selected Varieties Green Giant Create-A-Meat 12 oz. Pkg. For 2.95	 Selected Varieties Mrs. Paul's Fish Fillets 9-11.9 oz. Pkg. For 2.95	 Selected Varieties Minute Maid Orange Juice 10-12 oz. Can. 1.29	 Regular or White Welch's Grape Juice 18 oz. Pkg. 79¢

Bakery

 Plain Party Rolls 1.99 1/2 Doz.	 Hotting Pin Glazed Donuts 2.79 1/2 Doz.	 8 Inch German Chocolate Cake 5.99 1/2 Doz.	 Pound Cake 2.99 1/2 Doz.
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 Buzz Blasts, Hunny B's or Magix Kellogg's Cereal 2 \$5 <small>12-13.9 oz. Pkgs. For</small>	 Selected Varieties Gatorade Drinks 3 \$5 <small>64 oz. Bottles For</small>	 Selected Varieties Quaker Fruit & Oatmeal Bars 2 \$5 <small>7.8-10.4 oz. Pkgs. For</small>	 Plante or Tomato Cocktail Mott's Clamato 3 39 <small>64 oz. Bottle</small>
 Exceptional Value Grape Jelly 99¢ <small>32 oz. Jar</small>	 Mott's Manna Lal Island Guava 2 \$5 <small>64 oz. Bottles For</small>	 Hawaiian Punch Fruit Juice 4 69 <small>64 oz. Bottle</small>	 Regular, Natural or Cinnamon Mott's Apple Sauce 4 09 <small>23-24 oz. Jar</small>
 Crushed or Sliced IGA Pineapple 89¢ <small>20 oz. Can</small>	 Master Blend Maxwell House Coffee 3 99 <small>34.5 oz. Can</small>	 Exceptional Value Non-Dairy Creamer 1 39 <small>22 oz. Container</small>	 Breast or Chunk BestYet Chicken 1 19 <small>5 oz. Can</small>
 Selected Varieties BestYet Dinner Helpers 99¢ <small>7.75-9 oz. Pkg.</small>	 Regular or Cheesy Taco Dinner Kits 2 19 <small>12 Ct. Pkg.</small>	 Selected Varieties American Beauty Pasta 2 \$1 <small>10 oz. Pkgs. For</small>	 Whole, Chopped or Diced BestYet Green Chile Peppers 3 \$2 <small>4 oz. Cans For</small>
 In Water Chicken of the Sea Solid White Tuna 1 19 <small>5 oz. Can</small>	 IGA Bread & Butter Pickles 1 49 <small>15 oz. Jar</small>	 Selected Varieties BestYet Pasta Sauce 2 99¢ <small>20-25.5 oz. Jar</small>	 White or Golden BestYet Hominy 2 \$1 <small>15 oz. Cans For</small>
 Creamy, Chunky or Reduced Fat BestYet Peanut Butter 4 59 <small>15 oz. Jar</small>	 Crunch 'n Munch Caramel 2 99¢ <small>4 oz. Pkg.</small>	 Whole La Costeña Jalapeños 2 \$3 <small>25 oz. Cans For</small>	 Sliced La Costeña Jalapeños 2 \$4 <small>25 oz. Cans For</small>
 Regular, Reduced Fat or Chocolate Nabisco Nilla Wafers 2 \$5 <small>11 oz. Pkgs. For</small>	 Sugar, Rainbow or Oreo Nabisco Comet Cones 1 59 <small>12-24 Ct. Pkg.</small>	 Selected Varieties Tostitos Tortilla Chips 2 \$5 <small>12.25 oz. Bags For</small>	 La Moderna Marias Cookies 1 99 <small>17.6 oz. Pkg.</small>
 Selected Varieties Ultra Fab Detergent 3 99 <small>4.5 Lb. Powder or 100 oz. Liquid</small>	 Selected Varieties Wisk Detergent 4 59 <small>4.5 Lb. Tablets, 80-85 oz. Powder or 100 oz. Liquid</small>	 Selected Varieties All Detergent 4 99 <small>64-85 oz. Powder or 100 oz. Liquid</small>	 4.5 oz. Coast Bath Soap 3 99 <small>9 Pkg.</small>
 Lavender, Ocean Cold or Early Morning Fabuloso Cleaners 4 69 <small>32.4 oz. Bottle</small>	 Selected Varieties Kleenex Facial Tissue 1 69 <small>144-230 Ct. Pkg.</small>	 Fresh or Pacific Fresh Cling-Clip Toilet Bowl Cleaner 2 39 <small>1.85 oz. Container</small>	 Selected Varieties Klass Drink Mix 4 41 <small>53 oz. Containers For</small>
 Regular, Lamb or Beef Kibbles 'n Bits Dog Food 8 99 <small>17.5 Lb. Bag</small>	 Original, Lamb & Rice or Beef Purina Puppy Chow 9 99 <small>17.5 Lb. Bag</small>	 Overall, Bones & Tenders Purina Right Bites 2 99 <small>10 oz. Pkg.</small>	 Original, Lamb & Rice or Beef & Rice Purina O.N.E. Dog Food 15 99 <small>20 Lb. Bag</small>
 Purina Cat Chow 6 99 <small>7 Lb. Bag</small>	 Overall or Tender Control Purina Right Bites 1 49 <small>2.1-3 oz. Pkg.</small>	 Selected Varieties 9 Lives Gourmet Cat Food 2 79¢ <small>4 oz. Cans For</small>	 Tidy Cat Scoop Litter 1 99 <small>27 Lb. Pail</small>
 Marquee Hydrogen Peroxide 3 \$1 <small>16 oz. Bottle For</small>	 Regular or Unscented Marquee Natural Aloe Baby Wipes 2 99 <small>60 Ct. Pkg.</small>	 Marquee Muppets Bandages 1 99 <small>25 Ct. Pkg.</small>	
 Mint or Peppermint Marquee Mouth Rinse 1 99 <small>16 oz. Bottle</small>	 Soft or Medium Marquee Elite Toothbrush 2 \$3 <small>Each For</small>	 Marquee Child's Chunky Toothbrush 2 \$3 <small>Each For</small>	

IGA Fresh Produce



Thompson Seedless
Red Flame Seedless

Grapes

98¢
Lb.



Long Green Slicers

Cucumbers

3 \$1
for



Kiwi Fruit

4 \$1
for



Large Green Pods

Bell Peppers

3 \$1
for



Hass • Ripe • Salad Size

Avocados

3 \$1
for



Fresh Bunch

Cilantro

3 \$1
for



Green

Cab

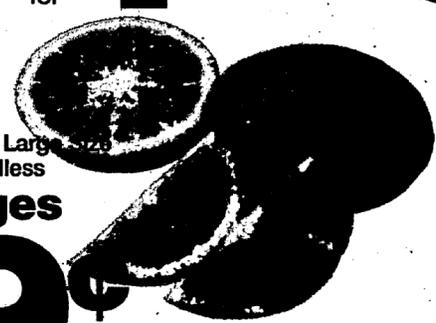
19¢
Lb.



California • Extra Large

Oranges

49¢
Lb.



Sweet

Yellow Onions

29¢
Lb.



Pepsi • 7-Up

24 Pack
12 oz. Cans

\$4.99

3 Liter
Bottles

2/\$3

6 Pack 24 oz. Bottles

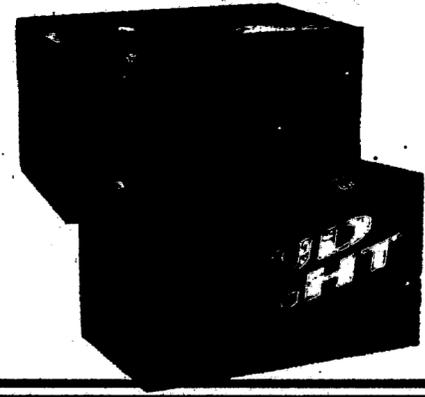
\$2.79

Budweiser or Bud Light

30 Pack

12 Oz. Cans

\$16.99



Aquafina Water

6 Pack 24 Oz. Bottles



\$2.69

Blue Bunny Ice Cream

1/2 Gallon Container

\$3.99

Dasani Water • 24 Pack 12 Oz. Bottles • \$5.99

Jack Daniels

Whiskey

750 mL

\$15.99



Beringer Wine

Zinfandel • White Zin

White Merlot • Chenin Blanc • 750 mL

\$3.99

Bartles and Jaymes Wine Coolers

Assorted Varieties • 4 Pack

3/\$9

Corona Regular or Light Beer

12 Pack Non Refillable Bottles

\$11.99