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Company in charge of jail defends inside conditions

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

What may sound like pampering to the uninitiated boils down to good economics and efficient management, says the chairman of the company that manages the Lincoln County Detention Center.

Bill Garrison Thursday defended to county commissioners the handling of inmates by Correctional Systems Inc. after an incident March 10, when prisoners burned mattresses and broke windows because the commissary was closed.

He referred to the incident as a minimal disruption and lauded the quick response of staff and support of law enforcement agencies.

Garrison told commissioners he's been working on expanding the administrative staff of the jail to include weekend coverage. But catching contraband before it is smuggled into the jail is tough, he said.

"It's a busy place," Garrison said. "Security is inconvenient. There's a lot of activity and comingling of classifications (of prisoners)."

He pledged that employees will receive more training in that area and the company will re-emphasize the importance of screening for contraband such as the lighters apparently used to start the mattress fires.

"When you have a situation, it's an opportunity to re-examine and see if you can do it better," he said. "That's what we'll do here. We are going to make some changes."

"We are going to give Mike (Borrego, jail administrator) more support from our end. The expansion of the camera system will be a big help."

Commissioner L. Ray Nunley asked why lighters were present when the jail is a smoke-free facility.

"I understand that has been disregarded and that smoking is going on in the jail," he said. "You have to do a better job. We have staffing and training problems."

He also objected to mixing federal prisoners, a source of income for the county, but also leaders of the rebellion, with those awaiting trial or sentenced for DWI or other non-violent crimes.

Smoking is confined to the sallyport, Garrison said. It's not good policy to talk about something like banning cigarettes before Borrego works it out with the inmates, he said.

"I think there shouldn't be any smoking in that facility," Nunley said. "I was told it was a reward and made the prisoners nicer. I don't think so."

Commissioner Leo Martinez said he doesn't want the taxpayers picking up the expense of repairs and extra law enforcement required during the incident. The company should be responsible, he said.

"I understand we also pay for the camera system," he said.

"It's the county's building," Garrison replied. "So if you don't take care of an incident, we - the taxpayers, pay," Martinez repeated.

"Do you think this wouldn't have happened with someone else (managing the jail)?" Garrison asked.

"Why should we take all of the liability if you don't have enough training and have to call in other agencies to quell it?" Martinez countered.

He joined Nunley's objection to giving rewards and "pampering" inmates.

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Capitan officer indicted

■ Johnny R. Williams was indicted on three counts by a grand jury.

BY SANDY SUGGITT
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Capitan police officer Johnny R. Williams was indicted Tuesday in 12th Judicial District Court in Carrizozo for three counts on a crime committed when he was acting chief of the Capitan Police Department.

The Lincoln County Grand Jury indicted Williams on aggravated burglary, a second degree felony, criminal sexual contact, a

misdemeanor, and bribery or intimidation of a witness, a third-degree felony.

The second-degree felony burglary charge carries a basic sentence of nine years and/or a \$10,000 fine; the third-degree felony bribery charge three years and/or a \$5,000 fine; and the misdemeanor criminal sexual contact charge one year and/or a \$500 fine.

Williams was arrested March 6 in a sting that included the district attorney's office, the Ruidoso Police Department, the Lincoln County Sheriff's Department and the New Mexico State Police.

The D.A.'s office was tipped off that Williams intended to bribe the victim, according to Scot D. Key, district attorney for the 12th Judicial District. The Ruidoso Police Department taped the alleged bribe on Sudderth Drive.

Initially the D.A.'s office decided to take the criminal sexual contact case to the grand jury rather than to a preliminary hearing because, had he not been indicted, the case would not have become public.

Williams is awaiting arraignment at Lincoln County Detention Center on \$50,000 bond.



DIANNE STALLINGS/STAFF

Capt. John R. Sena, New Mexico State Police district commander in Otero and Lincoln counties, marks one more U.S. 70 fatal accident on an incident map.

Work begins on golf course, sans permit

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
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Excavation work has started on an 18-hole golf course for the proposed 1,000-acre Rainmakers subdivision on Airport Road.

Contractor Carl Kelley pulled the \$870 permit on Feb. 25 to cover \$200,000 in dirt work for the Utah-based company.

Plans for the subdivision have not been approved by Lincoln County. An application for a 377-acre first phase with 268 single-family lots, 31 patio homes and five tracts for future development was rejected in November. A Rainmakers spokesman indicated the company would come back with a sized down application on the next try. The total development was planned for more than 650 homes with a commercial area and equestrian center.

Mike Runnels, head of Ruidoso Planning and Zoning, said although the area lies outside the village, it falls within a three-mile extraterritorial zone around Ruidoso and that's why a permit was needed.

Runnels said the developer runs a risk by starting without subdivision approval. But the county has no jurisdiction over a golf course unless it is part of a subdivision.

Phone book follies

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
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A few errors popped up in Valor Telecom's first telephone book for the Ruidoso area after it took over from GTE last year.

Many of those problems were cleared up in the new book for February 2002, but a few things still may be confusing.

If someone looks under "Ruidoso, Village of" they'll find the numbers of every department they might need to contact. But if they choose instead to look under "Village of Ruidoso," the problems

begin. They'll find bold letters to catch their attention and a section separated from other numbers by dark lines.

The first listing - 911 - is for an emergency.

The non-emergency number for the village is listed as 258-7365, which is not village hall, but the police department.

The next listing is for the police department and administrative offices. The 258-7365 number is repeated.

But if that's busy, the helpful telephone book advises callers to try - you guessed it - 258-7365.

BUILDING UP



WEB SCHWENGLER/STAFF

Work is continuing to progress on the new First Baptist Church on Country Club Drive, across from Cree Meadows.

Spread thin

More state police patrols aren't as easy as some think, captain says

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
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Leaning close to the map on the wall of the New Mexico State Police office in Ruidoso, Capt. John Sena marks a new dot to signify the latest fatal accident on U.S. 70.

Reacting to criticism from some Lincoln County commissioners that patrols on the highway east of Ruidoso Downs to the Chaves County line need to be increased and that speeding violations should be treated with zero tolerance, Sena said last week his officers are spread thin. The allocated two sergeants and 10 officers in the county are down to two sergeants and six officers because of illness, home land defense assignments and other reasons.

"But we'll still meet the goals and provide protection to the residents of the county," said Sena, who took over the Otero/Lincoln County district 18 months ago. "I'll move officers from Otero if necessary to ensure coverage."

As he told commissioners at a meeting last month, the highway is a priority "dedicated" road requiring special attention, but decisions about when to patrol and what violations to target are based on factual data collected from traffic stops and accidents, he said.

The map translates the statistics to locations, Sena said. The data is broken down into three-month increments using accident and DWI reports with ticketing information. His officers can identify problem areas and the type of patrolling

needed by the color coding.

Once a month, all of the data is transferred onto a computer disk to guide supervisors who hand out assignments. They see where and when to patrol and contributing factors to accidents in the area. Officers receive project sheets that outline who is assigned each day of the month.

"We have 20 projects in March on U.S. 70," Sena said. Projects that target particular problems also are scheduled on State Road 48, U.S. 54 and State Highway 37.

"The main goal is to try to impact the problem," Sena said. "We take a proactive stance to prevent property loss, accidents and fatalities."

When saturation patrols are planned, the times are advertised, but not the locations, he said. Again choices of what to look for and where are based on data.

Every six months, threats in the community, which go beyond traffic violations and can include domestic violence and narcotics are reviewed. Numbers are compared to similar periods in prior years and the success of strategies is evaluated.

On U.S. 70, collisions with wildlife are frequent, even though warning signs are posted on the road. From July through September 2001 on the eastern stretch of the road, 41 special projects were run resulting in 398 citations, he said. They ranged from lack of insurance to not using seat belts, driving under the influence and speeding. During the same year, driver error led as the reason for accidents, followed by animal-related,

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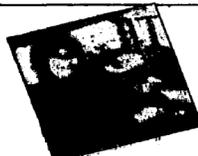
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JAIL: Garrison answers commission's questions, defends actions

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"People who go to jail here have high expectations," Martinez said. "I'd like to see us have a reputation for being tough in there."

Garrison said federal law requires people to be treated with respect and dignity.

A third commissioner, Rick Simpson, jumped in with the same criticism as Nunley and

Martinez.

"I thought it was a joke when I heard they got upset over not getting their Snickers," he said. "I work for a living, I don't take breaks in the morning and afternoon and quite often I eat a cold sandwich. I don't get upset and set my bed on fire. We don't send people to county jail as a reward."

Garrison said people sent to

jail usually have difficulty delaying gratification and tend to make bad decisions. Put the two together and incidents like March 10 happen.

Martinez asked if the U.S. Constitution guarantees prisoners satellite television "whereas most people in the community can't afford it." The satellite service is paid for with profits from the commissary,

not tax money, Garrison said.

"When I started in corrections, eight people oversaw 200 inmates and there was constant conflict," he said. "Then we got two black and white TVs and only two guards were needed. It's a matter of do you want to entertain them or fight them, and I prefer to entertain them."

If commissioners prefer the

other approach, they can try it, he said.

Martinez said he was irritated to see the inmates "chanting and raving" after the disturbance because they were hungry.

"They got hot meals," he said. "I would have given them cold sandwiches."

"In our view, you can return the operation to normal as

quickly as possible, or you can continue to aggravate them and keep fighting them. I think Mike Borrego made the right decision," Garrison said.

Martinez said it may be hard to take away privileges, but if inmates come in knowing they don't have certain luxuries, it might be different. They would realize they were giving up more than freedom, he said.

POLICE: Difficult to increase patrols

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speeding, equipment failures and debris in the road.

Last month, Commissioner Rick Simpson reiterated his stance that officers in the county should ticket at one mile over the speed limit based on what he said is the approach in Ohio.

But at least one Ohio law enforcement official said that's not the case. Trying to successfully prosecute a one-mile violation would be tough because of equipment variations. Five miles over the limit is the most common breakpoint, but an officer always can use discretion if conditions warrant a different approach, he said.

Lincoln County's two magistrate judges took different points of view on the issue.

Ruidoso Magistrate Judge William Butts, a former state police officer, said "If they start sending tickets in with one mile over the limit, we would have cases stacking up. I would hate to see zero tolerance unless some other infraction, like passing on a yellow line or DWI, was involved."

"A person coming down a hill may pick up a few miles per hour or new tires could throw off the speedometer."

Speeding usually is not the cause of accidents on U.S. 70, although speed will increase the

severity of an accident, he said.

Carrizozo Magistrate Judge Gerald Dean Jr. said as the law reads, a \$15 fine plus \$39 in court costs should be imposed for speeding up to and including 10 miles over the limit.

"We can only do what statutes allow," he said. "One mile over could be a citation."

Sena said he talked to Sheriff Tom Sullivan about deputies patrolling the highway or at least, increasing their visibility in the area.

Sullivan said he's short-handed too:

"I'm in the same boat with three vacancies," Sullivan said last week. "My deputies can't be giving out a bunch of tickets. I do have one who lives on that road and he spends a lot of time there."

"I told Capt. Sena we certainly will try to assist and we have, for instance, on one of the recent fatalities when no state

officer was available."

Trying to hire new officers when the starting salary is \$10 locally is tough because Albuquerque pays \$19, he said.

Sena said cooperative projects with the Roswell State Police District were run last year and this year will include roving patrols, road blocks, saturation patrols and more involvement by the Motor Transportation Division to handle trucks. They'll start again in May.

Last year, Sena's officers handed out 10,696 citations for speeding and motor vehicle violations, in addition to making 56 felony arrests and spending 4,135 hours in court, he said. In the first two months of 2002, they already handed out 1,206 citations and made seven felony arrests.

"We can't do it alone," Sena said. "It has to be a collaborative effort."

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Moon Mountain may receive a face lift, more public uses

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
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Future recreational uses of state public lands on Moon Mountain are being explored by representatives of the village, the school system and an agency that manages the crease between the avilan and paradise canyons. Dick Williford, district resource manager, said the state Public Lands office initiated two projects to reduce fuel for fire and improve forest health — one near Capitan and the other on Moon Mountain.

"I'm glad to see a lot of things happening," he told people attending an appreciation banquet of the South Central Mountain Resources observation and development Council Tuesday. His agency was authorized to put \$1.3 million generated from state land back into

improving the condition of that land, he said.

The Hondo project will cover a mosaic of 200 acres in a 480-acre tract. Trees will be thinned to improve the watershed, but area will be left for wildlife habitat, Williford said.

The property near Capitan ties into two other areas being treated by the Bureau of Land Management and on the Brewer Ranch.

"On one section, we're cutting the trees off at ground level," he said.

"There won't be any stumps. In another area, we're pulling them out by the roots. That will create problems in disposal, but we'll get it done.

He plans to install monitoring wells south of the settlement of Lincoln to see the effect of the work on surface water flow and underground recharge, he said.

The Moon Mountain project will cover 630 acres that are

badly overgrown, Williford said.

TRC Environmental was awarded the contract for the first phase, but a subcontractor will handle the thinning.

"We will clear 300 feet of defensible space for residences and later do work for the wildlife," he said. "I hope to have recreational activities up there some day."

He's also meeting with Ruidoso teacher Lois Sprott, who plans to involve her students in forestry work on Moon Mountain land adjoining the high school.

One problem he has to work around in using chain saws and other machinery is that 140 acres on the mountain were identified as Mexican Spotted Owl habitat and as a wintering area for bald eagles.

"I'll be working with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to get over the hurdles," he said. "I think we can work around it."

The work should start this summer.

Xeriscaping among council topics

Water will be a big issue at Tuesday's Ruidoso Village Council meeting.

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
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With the lack of snowfall and growing water demand on their minds, members of the Ruidoso Village Council will discuss a resolution encouraging home owners to xeriscape their properties.

The idea of using native plants and other vegetation with low water requirements was proposed last year by L. Ray Nunley, a Lincoln county commissioner who was elected to the council earlier this month.

The county already adopted the resolution, which will be referenced for future developments. The council will discuss xeriscaping and other water topics under regular items on the agenda.

The village council meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. in village hall on Cree Meadows drive.

Under consent agenda items are approval of a special dispensers permit for the 15 Mountain of Blues festival by license holder in, Place and Show; adoption of a resolution amending the 2001-2002 fiscal year budget; approval of use of the Ruidoso Senior Center for an after school youth program; acceptance of a land donation adjacent to Forest Lawn cemetery; and approval of a .S. 70 signalization agreement with the state Highway Department.

Mayoral reports and presentations will include a proclamation for Keep Ruidoso Beautiful Month, followed by a discussion of the village's monthly gross receipts report by Village manager Alan Briley.

A public hearing is scheduled for the transfer of ownership for a dispensers liquor license for the Lawrence brothers #1382, the supermarket in Sierra Mall off Echam Drive.

Listed under regular items are a request for an easement across property lots 1, 2 and Unit 2, White Mountain Meadows Subdivision; resolution 2002-08 amending the council's agenda policy; termination of an agreement with Upper Canyon Real estate and a discussion and possible action to list city-

owned lots in Grindstone subdivision; a second amendment for professional services agreement on the Main Street project; and discussion and possible action to schedule a public hearing on ordinance 2002-01 concerning firearms on public premises.

Councilors also will schedule the dates for their annual

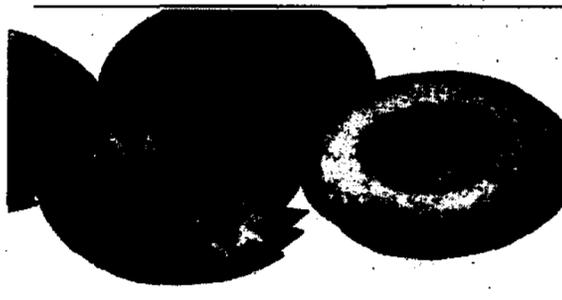
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Mayor Leon Eggleston will announce board or commission appointments, will accept reports from municipal officials and will outline rules for the public input portion of the meeting.

Although time for a closed session is scheduled, no topic is listed.

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OUR OPINION

Let the primary races begin

With spring comes a biennial political rite

Considering the calendar and the temperature, odds are good that between now and June 4, an endless stream of state and county political-office "wannabes" will be finding their way to your civic club, diner, rally, church or front door.

In fact, the parade already has started; at least two gubernatorial hopefuls and a handful of District 2 Congressional seat seekers already have come calling.

The real test, actually, is in the questions these candidates for our favor are asked by their listeners.

In this day of seemingly limitless communication, that

ancient excuse summed up in the phrase, "I don't know them, so I won't vote," has no merit.

In Lincoln County, the June 4 primary election is truly the big show. Because of the nature of the beast - Lincoln County's overwhelmingly GOP registration - we won't see many statewide candidates during the general election campaign. They know where the majority of our votes will fall.

So, when a stranger sticks out a hand in coming weeks and says, "Hi, I'm running for...blah, blah..." listen carefully, and ask questions.

That may be your best chance to impact the future.

A Ruidoso entrepreneur makes it in Texas, yet

Nothing's wrong with the northern New Mexico resort community of Red River, mind you.

It's been hosting skiers and cross-country aficionados for lo, these many years.

But back when we tried to keep Taos newspaper readers informed, if not always happy, there was something of an attitude among Red River folks that turned off the locals.

Some of those Taosños, with a curl of the lip, would register their considerably biased opinion that "Red River was settled by Texans who couldn't make it at home."

(Red River, by the way, is about 25 miles north of Taos and east of Questa, beyond a molybdenum mine and mill that also has been the target of curled lips from environmentalists for decades.)

And that leads us rather indirectly to Paul and Pat Martin.

They have reversed the procedure: They came to Ruidoso, launched the Lincoln County Grill (the only place to get an early breakfast when we came here in the mid-1990s) with no restaurant experience - and in July of 2000 decided to prove the Lincoln County name, and, ambience, could be exported to Texas, to the high-end Dallas suburb of Plano, yet.

Paul was back in Ruidoso this week. When we talked to him, he looked a shade thinner than we recalled from times past, but for all that, relaxed and happy. Pat spends most of her time in Ruidoso, keeping our own Lincoln County Grill going.

Anyway, Paul didn't mind bringing us up to date on his entrepreneurial adventures deep in the heart of Texas, specifically in a strip mall at the corner of Coit and Spring Creek in Plano.

"Good location," Paul said, "but the anchor grocery store could be better. After we got the building remodeled... well, the next six months were pure unadorned hell, getting a staff together. The

breakthrough finally came when we got John Amezcua to move from Ruidoso to Plano. John had been with the Cattle Baron and Farleys. With him, we've got a general manager who's taken a big load off me.

"Customers? Well, the real breakthrough came when a man we just called Don - he came around every couple of days - kept asking for real New Mexican stacked red enchiladas with an egg on top. We didn't pay attention for a while, but one day we saw him come in and said, 'OK Don...here it comes.' He was ecstatic.

"Turned out he was the Rev. Don Underwood, pastor of a close-by church with about 5,000 members - and he wrote us up in the church bulletin. We haven't been short of customers since."

Next up, Paul said, is opening two or three more Lincoln County Grills in the Dallas area. When that happens, he and Pat both plan to split their time between Ruidoso and Dallas.

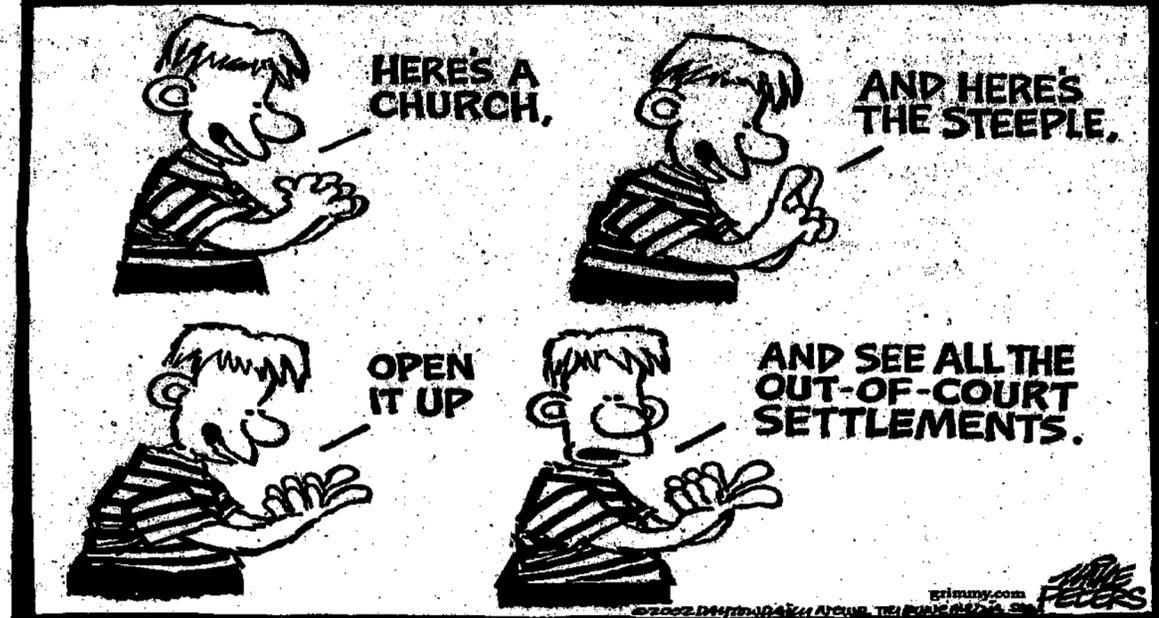
"We talked about giving up the grill here, but no way will we do that. We wouldn't want to disappoint the Dallas people who met us first here, either. Ruidoso is where we started the business. Here are our roots."

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YOUR OPINION

A Democratic bias

To the editor:

It's obvious to this reader that there is a "dyed in the wool" Democratic bias to Ned Cantwell's "editorials."

His latest rant about the governor's veto of HB-164, is but one example. While he condemns the governor for vetoing the bill, he offers no explanation of WHY Governor Johnson did so.

And to my way of thinking that is pure bias at its worst.

I offer you the following, which you can verify on the State of New Mexico Web site:

"March 5, 2002... Honorable Speaker and Members of the House:

"I have this day VETOED and am returning House Judiciary Committee Substitute for House Bill 164, as amended, enacted by the Forty-Fifth Legislature, Second Session, 2002.

"This bill creates a procedure to monitor high speed pursuits engaged in by state law enforcement officers, provides for police training regarding such pursuits, and creates a new crime of 'aggravated fleeing a law enforcement officer.' While I am generally supportive

of the 'aggravated fleeing' portions of this bill, I believe the fiscal impact of the training and reporting requirements, and the fact that these mandates can be accomplished administratively, prevent me from signing this legislation."

(Signed: Gary E. Johnson, Governor)
J. L. Schuller
Ruidoso

The Lilliputians at work

To the editor:

A March 5 commentary in the Washington Times showcased U. S. Department of Interior Secretary Gale Norton making a foray into the field of language re-engineering.

Using terms like "wildlife habitat" and "at-risk species," she skillfully painted a picture designed to send unaware people on guilt trips. Justifying doubling the DOI budget included offering "initiatives" of \$50 million and \$60 million, "carrots" that come directly from taxpayer pockets.

The limits of government are expressly divided it into three branches with limited powers. Nowhere are "endangered species" given priority over humans.

Government spending does not replace private choice.

"Citizen conservationists" have set a precedent of over 200 years, somehow managing to provide birdhouses, bird food and bird baths without "government initiatives."

Wake up, Gulliver! The Lilliputians are trussing you with their strings!
Julie Kay Smithson
London, Ohio

OUR RIGHT TO KNOW

Open Meetings

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

NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1

AMERICAN ISSUES

The Manhattan Project—a living legacy

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The Manhattan Project, the top-secret effort during World War II to develop the atomic bomb, was one of the most significant developments of the twentieth century and left an indelible legacy. Forged during the war, an unprecedented alliance among industry, academia and government soon catapulted American science and technology to world pre-eminence.

Manhattan Project veterans, eminent historians and writers, current and former government officials, and other

experts will convene at the Symposium on the Manhattan Project in Washington, D.C., on April 27. The conference will examine how the Manhattan Project succeeded in harnessing the energy of the atom—in just 27 months—and what lessons might be learned from it.

The Atomic Heritage Foundation, in conjunction with the Save America's Treasures at the National Trust for Historic Preservation and the Carnegie Institution of Washington, will present

the symposium from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Carnegie Institution of Washington, 1530 P Street, NW, Washington, D.C. A reception will follow. For details, see www.afomheritage.org.

Manhattan Project veterans who will contribute their reflections include Nobel Prize-winner Jerome Karle, Isabella Karle, Maurice Shapiro, Benjamin Bederson and Arnold Kramish.

Leading historians participating in the symposium include Richard Rhodes, Pulitzer-prize winning author of "The Making of the Atomic Bomb"; G. Pascal Zachary, author of "Endless Frontier," a biography of Vannevar Bush; James G. Hershberg, author of "James B. Conant"; Robert S. Norris, author of the forthcoming book, "Racing for the Bomb: General Leslie R. Groves, the Manhattan Project's Indispensable Man"; Andrew Brown, author of "The Neutron and the Bomb," a biography of Sir James Chadwick; Gregg Herken, author of the forthcoming book, "Brotherhood of the Bomb: A Tale of Science, Power, and Loyalty"; and Bill Lanouette, author of "A Genius in the Shadows," about Leo Szilard.

These authors will be available for book signing during the reception.

Maxine Singer, president of the Carnegie Institution of Washington; Stephen M. Younger, director of the Defense Target Reduction Agency; Richard Garwin, adjunct professor of physics at Columbia and senior fellow at the Council on Foreign Relations; and Richard Rhodes will also provide their views on the lessons of the Manhattan Project for meeting today's national security challenges.

STREET TALK

QUESTION: The state highway department is about to four-lane U. S. 70 all the way to Roswell. What do you think about that?



"I'm waiting for it, it's long overdue. I've lived here 43 years (since) it was just a little path. There have been way too many bad accidents."

Diane Clarke
Ruidoso



"I don't like it... Hopefully, it makes it safer. Otherwise, why bother?"

Ann Pollard
San Patricio



"I spent many years as a claims adjuster, handling accidents, and this is one of the most dangerous roads I've seen..."

Julian Wells
Ruidoso

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DIANNE STALLING/STAFF

taxes are due, notes Beverly Payne Calaway, chief deputy in the Lincoln County Treasurer's Office, and Deputy Albert LaFava. Here they prepare 9,264 courtesy notices reminding taxpayers that the second half of their property tax is due April 10. The notices will be mailed this week. Payment must be received in the office by May 10. If the deadline is not met, the taxes will be declared delinquent and subject to accrued interest and penalty.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Housing starts strong

WASHINGTON — Indicating that the nation's housing market will almost certainly be a positive contributor to economic growth in this year's first quarter, the Commerce Department reported Wednesday that overall housing starts rose 2.8 percent in February to seasonally adjusted annual rate of 1.77 million units.

The gain was due entirely to the single-family sector, where starts rose 7.4 percent to a rate

of 1.46 million units — their fastest pace since December of 1978.

"These exceptionally strong numbers, combined with upwardly revised figures for January and December, are ample evidence that housing — specifically residential fixed investment — is helping pull the economy out of recession," said Gary Garczynski, president of the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) and a builder/developer from Woodbridge, Va.

The Economy and the Markets

With growth, inflation?

BY SANDY SUGGITT

CHIEF ECONOMIST, WELLS FARGO

In addition to the demand-boosting factors such as tax cuts and low interest rates, the supply side of the economy has been supporting economic growth.

Economic growth comes from increases in labor supply and productivity gains. Productivity normally declines during a recession and rises when the economy rebounds.

During the latest recession, productivity gains have surged and the strength is likely to continue. The economy continues to benefit from earlier investments in technology. Businesses have kept most of their skilled labor and shed unskilled part-timers. With an economic rebound, productivity gains will receive an additional cyclical boost, further reinforcing economic growth.

Along with an economic rebound comes the fear of inflation. To be sure, inflation is not a problem now. However, commodity prices have hit the bottom.

The price of oil, which has kept the inflation low, has jumped in response to economic growth, the upcoming summer driving season and the fear of a war with Iraq. The spread between 10-year Treasury yield and the inflation indexed bond (TIPS), a good inflation gauge, are flashing warning signs. The economy is awash in liquidity; this could become fuel for inflation.

Bonds: Tighter, sooner

Chairman Greenspan may like the interest rate earlier than anticipated. The yields on two-year Treasury notes, which are highly sensitive to the course of monetary policy, have risen. Eurodollar futures, another indicator of monetary policy, expect the federal funds rate to hit 3.5 percent by year-end, up from 1.75 percent today.

The futures market for fed-

eral funds indicates a tightening move by the Federal Reserve before mid-year. At Tuesday's FOMC meeting, the Federal Reserve decided to remove the easing bias. We expect the central bank to start tightening around mid-year.

Treasuries, which are overvalued, are vulnerable. The current economic strength points to higher interest rates. The value of the yen has strengthened, discouraging the flow of funds from Japan. As discussed above, inflation is becoming more of a concern.

A tighter monetary policy is on the horizon. Low-grade Corporates will be the primary beneficiary of the rise in Treasury yields. Even though the entire structure of the interest rate will shift upward, yields on Corporates, after adjusted for inflation, look attractive.

Stocks: Risk increases

The market is in the riskier phase of the bull market. Valuations are lofty. The best time to buy stocks is in the middle of a recession. With economic growth, the market will move from the liquidity phase (easy monetary policy) to the earnings phase. If profits rise as expected, stocks will do well.

But the rising tide won't raise all ships as was the case during the liquidity phase. A prudent strategy, regarding small cap vs. large cap, cyclical vs. noncyclical etc., is warranted.

Growth vs. value is a good example. Value investors buy stocks which are unloved and out of favor. In a rising profit cycle, most companies are able to grow their earnings. Value investors go to riskier small cap, lower quality stocks. Growth investors prefer stocks with proven track record of earnings growth and are willing to pay premiums for them.

In a declining profit cycle, growth investors flock to less risky, large cap stocks. The assumption is that the market will continue to reward superior performers.

These are not investment recommendations. Consult your financial advisers.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Wells Fargo Bank in Ruidoso celebrated the parent firm's 150th anniversary Monday, with the Ruidoso High School Jazz Band performing, and the Ruidoso Valley Greeters cutting a ribbon. Shown, at left, are Robbie Stephens, band director, and Rusty Garvin, manager of Wells Fargo. Today is Customer Appreciation Day, Garvin said. From noon until 2 p.m., barbecue sandwiches will be served. The RHS jazz band will return from 1:30 to 3 p.m., with a live radio remote broadcast. "I'm cooking it and I'm serving it," Garvin said of the barbecue.



SANDY SUGGITT/STAFF

Colorful Wells Fargo firm marks 150 years

SAN FRANCISCO — Wells Fargo & Company Monday today celebrates 150 years in business — one of about a dozen companies founded in or before 1852 still in their original business and using their original name.

Wells Fargo was founded as a banking and express company on March 18, 1852 on Wall Street in New York City. Its first office opened on the waterfront

of Gold Rush San Francisco on July 13, 1852, the site of the company's current headquarters.

Henry Wells and William Fargo founded the company to meet customers' express and banking business needs as gold fever created commerce in California. William Fargo was also one of the original investors in the North Western National Bank of

Minneapolis, the predecessor of Norwest, in 1872. Norwest and Wells Fargo merged in 1998.

Today, their diversified financial services company with 120,000 team members has \$308 billion in assets and ranks fifth in assets and third in market capitalization among its peers as of Dec. 31, 2001.

Dining with history in Lincoln

La Cocina has reopened as a restaurant in a building where Billy the Kid once hung out

BY SANDY SUGGITT

RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

History and visuals combine in the homespun atmosphere of La Cocina, the only restaurant in Lincoln, which will have a grand opening March 23.

The building itself is 180 years old, built about 1869 and used as a saloon, gambling house and brothel in its early days — days when Billy the

Kid and chums frequented the bar. The back bar was made in 1900 and transported over from the Tinnie Silver Dollar.

In some of the four dining rooms in the back, books and magazines on the history of the Lincoln County War and the area are available for perusing or purchasing. One of the rooms is called the Farnsworth Room

because it contains the film actor's old bunkhouse table. Richard Farnsworth, twice nominated for Academy Awards, made his home in Lincoln for many years until his death in 2000.

Other historic artifacts abound throughout the cozy restaurant. This is a place to kick back and enjoy the scenery.

Willa Adkins traded her property for a fifth wheel, and, looking for property in Lincoln, she wound up with the restaurant instead. La Cocina was opened last summer for the first time as a restaurant by Bob and Emma Graham. When he became ill, she decided not to keep it, so Adkins bought it.

Phoebe Taylor, who grew up in Lincoln — after her first eight years in Hondo — is the only staff member, but she knows her history well and serves that up along with the food.

La Cocina serves light breakfasts and hamburgers and sandwiches, pastas, salads and homemade pastries for lunch, and is open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and from noon to 4 p.m. on Sunday. This summer, Adkins plans to have Saturday night family buffets, with a musician providing entertainment.

For more information, call Adkins at 653-4179.



SANDY SUGGITT/STAFF

La Cocina will have its restaurant grand opening Saturday, March 23, in one of Lincoln's oldest buildings — and one that's been used almost continuously since it was built in 1869. Above, owner Willa Adkins provides friendly service and tasty food.

Focus on Agriculture

Lettuce be grateful for Yuma

BY STEWART TRULSEN

AMERICAN FARM BUREAU

If you are dining at a restaurant and the waitress says to choose soup because there is no salad, your response would range from surprise to shock. One reason that doesn't happen even in winter is Yuma, Ariz. — a garden spot in the desert southwest.

"Basically 95 percent of the lettuce in the United States comes from this town in November, December and January," says grower Tim Dunn. The harvest is still going strong in March and prices are up.

"Right now we are coming off one of the best vegetable crops we've had and that is basically weather related. It's been a little bit colder and the supply has gone down just a little bit," he says.

The news media has picked up on higher lettuce prices,

but otherwise Yuma gets little national attention despite being such a strategic place in production agriculture.

A day in the life of your fresh salad starts before dawn when farm workers commute from Mexico. A fast, efficient workforce is essential to vegetable production.

The fields are laser-leveled flat as a billiard table and are bordered by irrigation ditches. The rows are perfectly straight and the crops look magnificent. Celery, iceberg lettuce and broccoli are picked, bagged in the field and placed in cartons for shipping. Baby leaf spinach is mowed using a new mechanical harvester. It is then loaded in plastic totes.

Taylor Farms, the largest supplier of fresh produce to the food service industry, has a processing plant in Yuma. The lettuce on your hamburger may have come from there. Many of the vegetables going through this plant are

chopped or shredded and bagged as salads.

Supplying us with salad is a big job. Food safety and quality are top priorities for growers and shippers. This is also where consumer tastes and preferences get translated into production. Baby leaf spinach is one of the new favorites. "From last year to this year, we are up about 50 percent, acre based. Spinach is definitely a big item. I think the bag salads, iceberg salads and different romaine salads are still going up. Head lettuce, bulk lettuce is going down a little bit," says grower Jim Clayton.

This year's strong lettuce prices will help growers get through times when prices don't cover production expenses. Farmers know better than to get too comfortable with prosperity. They have other issues affecting them too. Western water rights could be compromised by an amend-

ment passed in the Senate version of the farm bill. Without access to sufficient water from the Colorado River, growers say this garden spot would dry up.

Farmers also are losing dozens of tractors to a theft ring that is driving them across the border to Mexico. Yuma County Farm Bureau President Art Allen is seeking ways to prevent the thefts and make them more of a priority for law enforcement agencies.

Yuma, Ariz. is one of the places growing your salad. America's salad bowl includes Arizona, California, Florida, Texas and other states. Together they give us a choice at meals year round — soup or salad.

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

RUIDOSO POLICE

Kidnapping charged

Michael A. Gonzalez, 21, of Ruidoso, was arrested March 19 and charged with kidnapping, criminal sexual contact, criminal sexual penetration, assault on a household member with the intent to commit a felony, false imprisonment and aggravated battery on a household member. Previously, Gonzalez was arrested Nov. 25, 2001, and charged with commercial burglary and larceny over \$2,500, and Feb. 23 he was arrested on a warrant for no registration and speeding.

Criminal trespass

Police arrested Kaytiah S. Burton, 51, of Mescalero, on March 19 at 138 Sudderth Drive, after he violated a criminal trespass order, and turned him over to the BIA.

Motorcycle taken

On March 20, shortly after 11 p.m., police arrested Matthew Marvin Combs and Brian D. Painter, both 18 and of Ruidoso, charging them with unlawful taking of a vehicle, tampering with evidence, receiving stolen property, resisting, evading and obstructing an officer, aggravated assault on a

peace officer, failure to stop for two stop signs, two counts of criminal damage to property and reckless driving.

Officers had been dispatched to a possible vehicle theft at Second and D streets and saw the stopped truck and the suspects, who then fled from officers. During the pursuit, the stolen motorcycle fell out of the truck bed and was damaged. The suspects, still in the truck, then ran through a fence and fled. The fleeing vehicle was located and suspects fled on foot, the report states, then allegedly stole another vehicle before being located and arrested.

Balcony relief

Thomas Garcia, 46, of Ruidoso, was arrested March 11 in the 100 block of El Paso Drive and charged with disorderly conduct. Garcia was a guest at Nob Hill Motel. Police were called to the scene about a man urinating from the balcony. A police officer told him that any further conduct of this nature would result in an arrest, and police were called back again and observed him standing on the balcony "yelling, cussing." He had allegedly thrown a chair off the bal-

cony and urinated on it and on himself, the report states.

Car accident

A vehicle changed from the inside to the outside lane on Highway 70 before making a sharp, right-hand turn on March 20, causing a pile-up of vehicles while that vehicle drove off. The vehicle, traveling west in the inside lane, swung into the outside lane and made a sharp right turn into the parking lot at 122 Highway 70 in front of three vehicles in the outside lane. The second vehicle crashed into the back of the turning vehicle, the third braked to avoid hitting the second, and the fourth vehicle crashed into the rear of the third vehicle. Both vehicles were moderately damaged, the report states.

Vehicle pile-up

In another vehicle pile-up March 20, two vehicles were waiting for traffic to clear in the 2700 block of Sudderth Drive so the first could make a left turn, when a third vehicle, driven by a 17-year-old male, failed to stop, crashing into the second, which then crashed into the first vehicle. The juvenile was cited for failing to stop.

Former councilor has advice for new ones

A water supply model and tree thinning are vital, according to former councilor Al Junge.

BY DANNE SULLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Moving ahead to create a water supply model and mandating tree thinning on private property are two elements required if Ruidoso officials want to ensure the future availability of the valuable resource, a former village councilor says.

Al Junge, who continues to attend meetings and stay active in problems facing the village, greeted newly elected council members last week with some words of caution.

He reflected that when he bought Story Book Cabins in Upper Canyon 27 years ago, he started asking about the availability of water and what would

happen in case of a forest fire.

"The area was heavily overgrown at that time," he said. "The answer to both questions: 'We are working on it.' Now, many years have passed and the same questions have not been answered."

He acknowledged that during his years on the council, there was a lot of talk, but no action.

"There are those who don't favor a water supply study," Junge said. "The result of such a study might affect the continued growth of Ruidoso. Should such a study show a limited supply in future water availability and demand a rethinking of Ruidoso's expanding growth, there are those who understandably would be concerned, which would include real estate development, financing, construction and others." The industries mentioned

account for a large voting block and may have influenced previous council members to reject impact fees as a means of generating money to increase the water supply for newcomers who build here, he said.

Check with other cities and counties in and out-of-state to see how they use impact fees, he suggested.

Although the village has pursued several forest thinning projects, success requires that private home owners also reduce the amount of fuel for fire on their land, he said. Without large blocks of thinned forest and defensible space around homes, fires could jump over cleared lines, he said.

Mandated thinning should be the next step, he urged. Depending on the good will of homeowners to reduce the number of trees is not enough, he said.

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FUNERALS DEATHS

Private memorial services for Roy W. Sutton Jr., 78, of Ruidoso, will be held at a later date.

Mr. Sutton died Wednesday, March 20, 2002, in Albuquerque.

He was born Aug. 16, 1923, in Coleman, Texas.

Mr. Sutton was a World War II veteran, serving in the Army Air Corps. He married Ruth Elizabeth

Humphrey in 1955. He was a graduate of Texas Tech University in 1949 and a long-time resident of Lubbock, Texas.

He was a retired insurance salesman and earned numerous distinctions in his career, including his designation as a life member of the Million Dollar Round-Table and life member of the Texas Leaders Round Table. He

was a member of the Red Raider Club, associated with Texas Tech University, and was a member of Gateway Church of Christ in Ruidoso. He moved to Ruidoso from Lubbock in 1998.

Survivors include his wife, Liz, of Ruidoso; sons Joe Sutton and Roy Sutton III, of Ruidoso; three granddaughters; and a great-grandson.

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Group honors 23 for improving county forest health



South Central Mountain Resource Conservation and Development gave out the awards.

BY DANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Twenty-three people accepted awards of recognition for their efforts to improve the health of forest land in Lincoln County, while reducing the fire hazard.

A few more didn't show for the meeting of the South Central Mountain Resource Conservation and Development appreciation banquet, but will pick up the plaques later. The recipients represent federal, state and county entities, municipal government and private enterprise.

Council Chairman Van Shamblin turned over master of ceremony duties to Stan Bulsterbaum, who also is a member of the Interstate Stream Commission.

He told the audience that the commis-

sion's policy position will include water restoration after its meeting Wednesday.

"I've been driving for that and I think we have the votes to pass it," he said. The commission will use groups like the council to guide it on restoration projects with the greatest potential for water yield, he said.

Awards from the council were presented to:

• Barbara Luna, Bill Duemling and Donna Carmichael of the state Forestry Division. They also took home a plaque for Bill Rogge

• Jim Norwick and Dick Williford of the State Public Lands Office in Roswell.

• Thora Padilla from the Division of Resource management and Protection for the Mescalero Apache Tribe.

• Jerry Hawkes, Connie Zipperer, Brian Powers, Matt Reldy and Frank Martinez from the U.S. Forest Service. A plaque was sent with them for Toby

Martinez.

• Ruidoso Downs Mayor Bob Miller picked up a plaque for Tom Armstrong, fire chief and head of code enforcement.

• Ruidoso teacher Lois Spratt.

• Lincoln County Commission Chairman Rex Wilson and Mike Nivison, an Otero county commissioner and Clarendon village manager, who also took a plaque for Gary Wood with that village's fire department.

• Hollis Fuchs of the federal Natural Resource Conservation Services.

• Ruidoso Urban Forester Rick DeLaco.

• Charlie Bain of Timberon.

• Sherry Barrow and Phil Archuletta, who have developed products and businesses to use small diameter wood cut during thinning projects.

Representatives from the Bureau of Land Management and the Bureau of Indian Affairs were absent.

Local entrepreneurs share plans with area development council

DANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Once the operation is running, WUD Inc. will churn up 5 cords of small diameter wood each week, says Sherry Barrow. The business also may be selected as one of six sites in the nation for a pilot biomass gasification unit to generate power and heat.

The entrepreneur reported to members of the South Central Mountain Resource Conservation and Development Council and hosts Tuesday about the status of the endeavor she put together with her husband, Phil Archuletta.

They came up with the concept of producing shavings animal bedding as one alternative to dispose of small diameter trees left after forest thinning projects aimed at reducing fire hazards and improving forest health.

The director of the Forest Products Laboratory and representatives of the U.S.

Department of Energy visited the Glencoe Rural Events Center on U.S. 70, which the Barrows lease from Lincoln County.

"They are narrowing down from a list of 68 people and they called our business promising with a very high probability," she said. "This state is so rich in resources and the government is moving toward alternate sources. We have wind, sun and tons of biomass. New Mexico could become a leader in sustainable energy."

The government sees the day when a homeowner can walk into Circuit City and buy a unit to sustain a house, she said.

Barrow said her husband was in Missouri Tuesday picking up the last needed component in the custom assembly to produce shavings, something that will

speed up handling.

"We expect to start with 12 1/2 cords of wood a day and then double that," she said. They use pine, fir and spruce, she said. But because of the demand to find a use for piñon juniper cleared by ranchers, from the Lincoln

"We're going to be able to use the whole tree."

Phil Archuletta
Entrepreneur

National Forest and from Bureau of Land Management tracts, they will integrate a small niche for that wood in six to nine months, she said.

The operation has contracts through May for all the wood it needs, but will start looking again in mid-May for new contracts, she said.

She complimented the group, which includes representatives from several different agencies, municipalities, the county, private enterprises, the ranching industry and the Mescalero Apache reservation, for coming together to build tolerance and establish

a dialogue.

"We've identified common ground and now we're moving toward a common goal," Barrow said. "If groups like the New York Times want to interview us, it's because we've developed something unique here."

Transportation of the cut wood still remains a challenge, she said.

"It will be the thrust of the next grants," Barrow said. "We must work toward sustainability. That's the government's goal. We may not get rich, but we should be able to make a living. We need access to people trying to use small diameter wood, and to mentors, and to sources of capital and people with good business plans. Don't give up."

Phil Archuletta reviewed the progress of his new product call All Tree Wood, made out of small pine and juniper blended with plastic milk bottles to produce boards. The process handles two waste disposal problems.

Howard Shanks, coordinator for the council, showed off his name tag, which was made from the final product.

"We're going to be able to use the whole tree," said Archuletta, who is based in Mountainair. Trees will be ground up on site instead of hauling them out, which

eliminate the need to burn piles of limbs and trunks, he said.

"This will be used instead of plywood and aluminum," he said. "I just received word it will be put into the specifications for the U.S. Forest Service as material acceptable for their new signs."

Fires contained on reservation

A couple of small blazes were contained last week near Mescalero.

DANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

High winds drove fire through piñon and pine lands on the Mescalero Apache reservation March 14.

According to Rachel La Paz, fire information officer for the tribe, an air spotter

was scouting another fire called No. 5, and pinpointed a blaze near Cow Camp road. Within an hour, incident commander Sterling

Bigmouth used the initial attack resources and the fire was extinguished. However, crews remained in the area of the 10-acre fire Friday to ensure it didn't flare again. The cause was unknown, La Paz said.

Eddie Tudor, incident commander on the No. 5 fire, pronounced it contained on March 14, but kept crews on site to continue with mop-up procedures.

The reservation abutting Ruidoso was on extreme fire danger restriction over the weekend, but dropped down to high danger by Tuesday.

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ATTENTION LINCOLN COUNTY RESIDENTS

THE LINCOLN COUNTY EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE for the valley residents of Aqua Fria, Glencoe, San Patricio, Mondo, Tinnie, Arabella, Picacho, Lincoln and Riverside will have their MONTHLY MEETING MARCH 26 AT THE TINNIE FIRE STATION AT 5:30 PM.

Attendance is encouraged alternating meeting sites at different locations will be discussed. Other important issues will be addressed.

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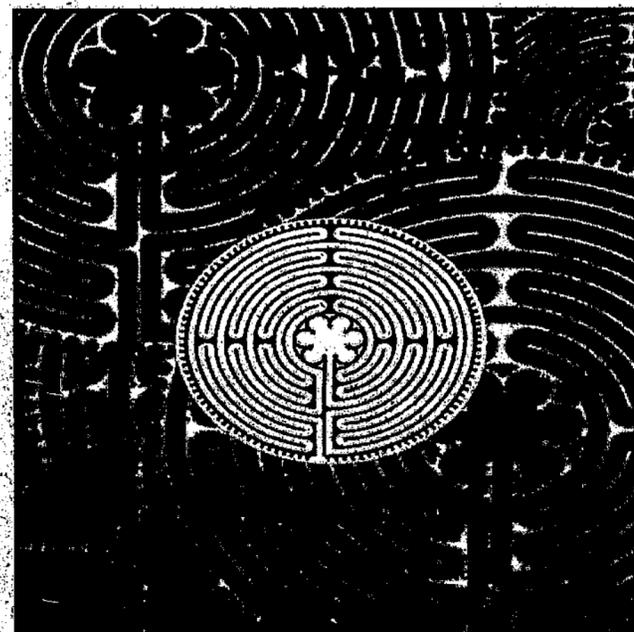
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SPORTS

Local pugilists set for Saturday fights

Five-bout night to culminate with Holland fight

BY TODD FUQUA

RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Today is the final day that you can buy tickets to the "Rumble in the Pines," a five-bout match culminating in a match featuring Alamogordo Eric Holland.

The 10-round bout will pit 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 KO) and a women's match featuring Holly Holm from Albuquerque (1-1) against Janae Romero of Denver (2-1-1, 1 KO).

All fights on Saturday's 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.

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

Ruidoso golfers hot to hit the links

BY TODD FUQUA

FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

The first day of spring is upon us and Ruidoso Warrior golf teams are gearing up for their season. Even with the cold and wind both teams have been hitting the golf course, perfecting their games.

The Warrior boys are the defending district and state champions and are looking forward to repeating. The boys got their first taste of competition at the New Mexico Tech golf course in Socorro Thursday. Socorro also happens to be the site of this year's state tournament.

"Socorro is a golf course where you can make big numbers. That is going to be our focal point when we play Socorro, is to make sure we limit our mistakes," said Warrior coach Eric Eggleston. That's probably why we win. If you make a mistake, make

"If you hit a bad shot, make your bogey and go on. In the past, that is what separated us from the other schools."

Eric Eggleston
Ruidoso boys golf coach

your five and get out of there. If you hit a bad shot, make your bogey and go on. In the past, that is what separated us from the other schools."

The Warriors have three players returning with state championship experience. Senior Colton English has three state championships under his belt. Senior Jared Leadingham and junior Ryan Shaver return with two state championships apiece.

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STRIKE!



TODD FUQUA/STAFF

Ruidoso pitcher Chad Swanner hurls one in on a Jal' batter Saturday, March 16 during the Hal Bogle Tournament in Dexter. Swanner got the win as the Wardots finished third in that tournament. Swanner and the rest of the Warriors played Thursday in the Eunice Tournament and will continue their through the weekend. Full results will be in a future edition of the Ruidoso News.

Lady Warriors set for T or C Tourney

■ The Ruidoso softball team gets back into action today when it faces off against Deming.

BY TODD FUQUA

RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

While Ruidoso was high and dry these past few days, the rest of the state got doused, which put the nix on several scheduled softball games in the area.

Two of those games would have pitted the Lady Warriors against Roswell on Tuesday, but coach Billy Page is happy his team got a little rest after the schedule it played over the weekend.

"It was good to have a break after a long weekend," page said. "We needed a little breather and needed the time to catch up and

work on some stuff."

Hopefully for Ruidoso, that "stuff" has been addressed and they'll be ready to go today against Deming in the Truth or Consequences Tournament.

Page said Deming, a team which could be a power in Class 4A, gives him a unique opportunity to prepare for District 4-3A for Lovington.

"We're looking forward to competing, and Deming will show us what we need to beat Lovington; they're both very similar teams," Page said.

As always, the Lady Warriors focused on hitting during the break, something which Page is convinced will be the key to deciding who represents the district at the state tournament.

One thing he pointed out was his team's ten-

See SOFTBALL, page 2B

LIL' SKIER



COURTESY

Youth skier Alex Levinson takes his turn on the slopes during the Hot Chocolate Cup held March 10 at Ski Apache. The Hot Chocolate Cup culminates the yearly ski school at the ski resort. Levinson finished third in the Jazz division race and was one of 24 kids to compete.

Undertaking a new athletic endeavor

No bowling this week, family emergencies and such kept the usual crowd from showing.

No matter, I've got another sport to take up — the venerable and tradition-rich endeavor that is golf.

I know it's hard to believe a sports writer has never hit the links with anything more than a camera bag in tow, but — as I've mentioned before — I'm not your normal sports writer.

Oh, I have some clubs. A Christmas gift some two years ago. That doesn't mean they get much use.

But they will this Sunday, as I was invited by Cree Meadows professional and Ruidoso boys head coach Eric Eggleston to a Ruidoso High School benefit golf scramble Sunday at the Alto Lakes golf course.

I confided to Eggleston that I've swung a golf club maybe 10 times in my life, but he told me not to worry. This wasn't a competitive event, just something to have fun with.

OK, just remember I warned, all of you.

Actually, I'm really looking forward to it. I found I truly do enjoy the game of golf, at least I enjoy watching it.

Starting back in 1994, when I was a photographer for KVII-TV

in Amarillo, I was exposed to the phenomenon that is the local golf tournament.

These weren't events featuring the best golfers in the world, just the best ones in the Amarillo area. And it was actually a lot of fun to watch them play.

Actually, what was fun was getting to drive around in a golf cart with my beverage of choice

(non-alcoholic, honest), and take pictures of these competitors on a beautiful day.

Those enjoyable moments resurfaced during my time in Roswell. They were made more enjoyable by the fact that one team I followed — the Goddard Lady Rockets — were a very, very good team.

I get a chance to continue all this today, when the Ruidoso boys host the Great Eight Invitational at the Inn of the Mountain Gods.

I suppose watching people play and playing the game myself are two very different things, and I might find playing the game might not be as enjoyable.

If you happen to be at Alto on Sunday and see me swing, please promise me you won't laugh too loudly.

ON THE DDOT



BY TODD FUQUA
SPORTS EDITOR

side line

Ski Report

Ski Apache

New Snow Past 24 hrs: 2 in.
Road at Report Time: Snowpacked
Midway Depth: 52 in.
Surface Conditions: Packed powder
Trails Open: All trails are open
Lifts Open: All lifts are open
Trails Groomed Today: 18 of 65
Snowmaking Past 24 Hours: No
Forecast: Continued snow

Prep Standings

Baseball Standings		
Records as of games played		
March 19		
District 4-3A		
Ruidoso	District	Overall
Ruidoso	0-0	2-1
Lovington	0-0	2-3
NAMI	0-0	1-2
Portales	0-0	0-2
Santa Teresa	0-0	0-4

Softball Standings		
Records as of games played		
March 18		
District 4-3A		
Ruidoso	District	Overall
Ruidoso	0-0	3-3
Lovington	0-0	2-2
Santa Teresa	0-0	1-2-1
Portales	0-0	0-2

Sports on Tap

Friday, March 22

Baseball
Ruidoso at Eunice Tournament
Softball
Ruidoso vs. Deming at Truth or Consequences Tournament
Golf
Ruidoso boys in Great Eight Invitational at the Inn of the Mountain Gods, 9 a.m.
Ruidoso girls in Great Eight Invitational at the Links, 9 a.m.
Tennis
Ruidoso in Goddard Invite at Roswell

Saturday, March 23

Baseball
Ruidoso at Eunice Tournament
Boxing
Battle in the Pines, five matches culminating in a bout between Eric Holland (22-30-4) and Jose Cataneo (25-21-2), at the Inn of the Mountain Gods West Convention Center, 7 p.m.
Softball
Ruidoso at Truth or Consequences Tournament
Track
Ruidoso at Las Cruces Invitational, 9 a.m.
Carrizozo in Bear Relays at Estancia
Tennis
Ruidoso in Goddard Invite at Roswell

Monday, March 25

Golf
Ruidoso boys in APS Invitational at Albuquerque, 9 a.m.

Tuesday, March 26

Baseball
Ruidoso at Portales (2), 3 p.m.
Golf
Ruidoso girls at APS Invitational at Albuquerque, 9 a.m.
Track
Capitan, Mesalero, Carrizozo in Rose Relays at Tularosa

On Deck

Pecos Valley Stampede
Registration is now open for the 21st annual Pecos Valley Stampede, to be held Saturday in Roswell. Registration fee is \$25, and the race features a half-marathon, two-mile run, 10K run and two-mile walk. For more information, contact Bob Edwards at 827-5507 or Clyde or Michael McKee at 622-1668.

Archery 3D Shoot
The Ruidoso Archery Club will be hosting a 3-D shoot Sunday at the Cedar Creek Campground. Registration will be from 9 a.m. to noon on the day of the shoot. For more information, contact Dave Locke at 257-5565.

Gus Macker in Alamogordo
The 26th Annual "Saturday in the Park" in Alamogordo will feature a Gus Macker 3-on-3 basketball tournament, and calls for teams are going out. The tournament will be held May 18, and anyone interested in participating can call 437-6120.

Softball Team Farming
Team players are being asked to try out for a 10-and-under girls softball team to complete in the upcoming spring and summer season. For more information, contact JV Cadena at 378-2205, 484-0230 or 430-4391.

Senior Softball Needs Players
Men who want to play team softball in the state Senior Olympics in Las Cruces August 7-11, but don't have access to a local team that is entering, can play for a "Rainbow" team from across the state. To learn how to qualify, contact Bart Young, Lincoln County Coordinator at 257-3193.

GOLF: Warriors falter at Socorro

FROM PAGE 1B

The Warriors have 90 kids coming out to see who keep the Ruidoso golf program winning streak alive.

Unfortunately for them, coach Eggleston's comments on the Socorro course proved somewhat prescient.

Leadingham shot a 90, second only to Cody Sisson's 92 for highest on the team.

English came up with a 76 to lead the Warriors, which is

about the only thing that kept them close to a qualifying leg for state.

As it was, the Ruidoso boys missed that leg by just four shots, scoring 338 as a team.

The Ruidoso Warrior girls golf team is also coming off a great season last year. After winning district, the girls finished in fifth place at the state tournament.

The Lady Warriors have eight players this year who will be competing for a spot on the team each tournament, including junior LaAnne Henson, who won second place last year in the individuals at the state tournament.

"We feel real good about this year. There is a lot of competi-

tion within the team. So every week the team could change. Just depending on who is playing better that week," said Warrior coach Les Carter. "We are real confident these girls are going to do good. We try to set our goals high and end up doing the best we can. We would like to thank our fans and invite them to come out and support us at all of our tournaments."

The Warriors will host the Ruidoso Great Eight Invite Friday. The boys will be playing at the Inn of the Mountain Gods and the girls will be at The Links of Sierra Blanca both beginning at 9 a.m.

SOFTBALL: Layoff helped Lady Warriors

FROM PAGE 1B

dency to watch the last third strike go by without so much as a wave of the bat.

"You've got to protect the plate and can't leave it in the umpire's hands," Page said. "Put the ball in play and let the defense or the ball do the work. It's a matter of confidence."

"They have to know that when they step up to the plate, they're going to hit the ball. You'll miss every ball you don't swing at."

The time off has given Ruidoso time to recover from injuries as well. Pitcher Jessica Gibson, who was out with a shoulder injury following the first game of the Socorro Tournament, will be back and Page hopes to see her in the center circle.

This weekend's matchups mark the last ones for the Lady Warriors before they begin District 4-3A play. They take on Portales on the road March 30 in a noon double-header.

Excepting the occasional games with Gaddard and Socorro, it's all district games from there on out, and Page feels his team is just where it needs to be at this point in the season.

"We're hitting well and we'll be where we want to if we score a lot of runs," Page said. "We want to get at the right time, obviously near the second half of district."

Because each team plays the other twice in the year, Page looks at the first half of the district schedule as a time to get to know the opponent.

"First half is learning about the other team, the second half is about putting them away," Page said. "We need to play up to the level of competition, not down."

"We're looking forward to competing, and Denning will show us what we need to beat Lovington, they're both very similar teams."

Billy Page
Ruidoso softball coach

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Dr. Allen received her medical degree from Texas Tech University Health Science Center in Lubbock, Texas, in 1989. She went on to complete an internal medicine residency at Texas Tech University Health Science Center in Amarillo, Texas.

Board certified in internal medicine, Dr. Allen holds certifications in advanced cardiac life support, advanced trauma life support, and pediatric advanced life support.

Dr. Allen will serve as Medical Director and part-time staff for the Lincoln County Medical Center Emergency Department.



PUBLIC HEARING ANNOUNCEMENT

and
 Notice of Availability of an Environmental Assessment for proposed widening and realignment of U.S. Highway 70 from Mile Post 255.6 to Mile Post 261.3 Lincoln and Otero Counties, New Mexico Project No. NH-070-(430)254, CN 2514

The New Mexico Highway and Transportation Department (NMSHTD), in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), has completed an environmental assessment (EA) for the proposal to widen and realign NM Highway 70 in Lincoln and Otero counties between mile post 255.1 and 261.3. The project extends from BIA Road 4 at the turnoff to the Inn of the Mountain Gods on the Mescalero Apache Reservation to the intersection with NM 48 in Ruidoso. The purpose of the project is to widen the only remaining two-lane segment of US 70 between Ruidoso and Las Cruces, NM to four lanes to improve safety, and provide highway continuity. An option to add a traffic signal at Sulfon Drive and NM 48 and close the Gavilan Canyon Road intersection in Ruidoso is also being considered to improve traffic flow and safety.

Two alternatives are currently being considered: the proposed project and no action. The proposed project would widen the highway to four lanes with shoulders and a raised center median in Otero County and four lanes, shoulders, and a center turning lane in Lincoln County. Sidewalks and street lighting would be added in Ruidoso.

A public hearing will be held to: 1) present the proposed project and findings of the EA; and 2) provide the public with the opportunity to comment on the proposed actions, cultural resource findings and recommendations for the project, and pedestrian, equestrian, and bicyclist issues associated with the project.

Date:	Tuesday, March 26, 2002
Time:	6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. - open house 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. - presentation 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. - public comments
Place:	Ruidoso Convention Center 111 Sierra Blanca Drive Ruidoso, New Mexico

- Copies of the EA are available for review at:
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 - Village of Ruidoso
313 Cree Meadows
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(505) 258-4363
 - NMSHTD Environmental Section
1120 Cerrillos Road - Room 213
Santa Fe, NM 87504
(505) 827-5254
 - Bureau of Indian Affairs
112 Sage Avenue
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(505) 464-4423
 - Ruidoso Public Library
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(505) 258-3704
 - Blue Earth Ecological Consultants
1345 Pacheco Street
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(505) 983-2687

Written comments on the EA will be accepted until close of business on April 3, 2002. Comments may be mailed or hand to Karen Yori, Blue Earth Ecological Consultants, Inc., 1345 Pacheco Street, Santa Fe, NM 87505. Fax: (505) 983-2960. Comments may also be submitted via e-mail to: kyori@blueearthecological.com. Additional information about the EA or the hearings may be obtained from Karen Yori at Blue Earth or Steve Reed, NMSHTD Environmental Section, at the address and phone numbers listed above or from Dennis Paszka, NMSHTD Project Development Engineer, (505) 827-9853.

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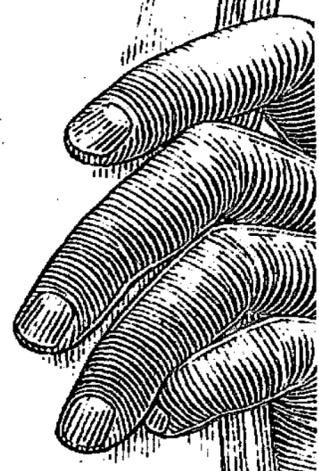
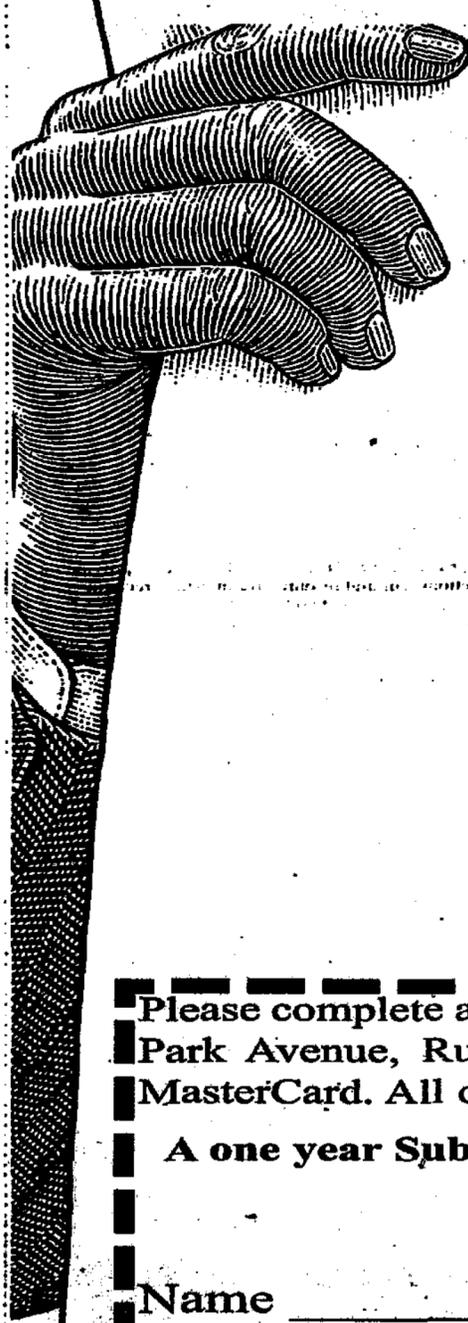
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 We would like to thank the Friday and residents at Ruidoso Care Center for all the support and prayers during this difficult time.
 A special thank you to Chad Evaris, Steve Lanik and employees of Foxworth's.
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FRIDAY, MARCH 22, 2002

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#3998 2T (3) 15, 22 LEGAL NOTICE

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF LINCOLN COUNTY STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF THOMAS EARL WILLIAMS, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS BY PUBLICATION

BETTY O'NEAL has been appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of THOMAS EARL WILLIAMS, deceased.

ALL persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred.

Archie A. Witham Attorney at Law P.O. Box 83 Nogal, New Mexico 88301.

#3998 1T (3) 22 LEGAL NOTICE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS OPERATION OF CONCESSION AT EAGLE CREEK SOFTBALL COMPLEX

NOTICE is hereby given that the Village of Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, is requesting sealed proposals for an annual contract for OPERATION OF CONCESSION AT EAGLE CREEK SOFTBALL COMPLEX.

Interested proposers may secure a copy of the Request for Proposals from the Purchasing Agent at the Purchasing Warehouse, 421 Wingfield, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345, or by phoning (505)257-2721.

Proposals will be received by the Village of Ruidoso, Purchasing Agent, located at 421 Wingfield, Ruidoso, New Mexico, 88345, until 5:00 p.m. local time Friday April 5, 2002. Submitted proposals shall not be publicly opened. Proposals for proposals will be rejected and returned unopened. The fact that a proposal was dispatched will not be considered.

The Village of Ruidoso reserves the right to reject any/all proposals and waive all informality as deemed in the best interest of the Village.

By Order of the Governing Body Village of Ruidoso Fernin Herrera Purchasing Agent.

#3998 1T (3) 22 LEGAL NOTICE

The Eastern New Mexico University Board of Regents will meet Wednesday, March 27, 2002 at 10:30 a.m. in the Regents Room on the Portales campus.

Regents will act upon business so presented and may meet in the executive session. Agendas for the meetings are available at the Information Center of the University Relations Office located in the ENMU-Portales campus Administration Building. The Public is invited to attend the regular meeting. Eastern New Mexico University is an EEO/AA Institution

#3998 1T (3) 22 LEGAL NOTICE

COUNTY CLERK'S APPOINTMENT BOARD MEMBERS

Pursuant to (1-2-9A), not less than twenty-one (21) days prior to the date for appointing members of the precinct boards, the county clerk shall publish a notice once in a newspaper of general circulation to the effect that precinct boards are to be appointed for the specified number of precincts, stating the number of persons composing each board and that applications for the standby list will be accepted at the County Clerk's Office.

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5 members
- Precinct # 2B**
Nogal Volunteer Fire Station
4 members
- Precinct 3A**
Lincoln County Fair Building
8 members
- Precinct 3B**
Lincoln County Fair Building
8 members
- Precinct 4**
Angus Church of Nazarene
8 members
- Precinct 5**
Bonito Volunteer Fire Station
7 members
- Precinct 6**
White Mountain Elementary School
4 members
- Precinct 7A**
Eastern NM University-Ruidoso
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- Precinct 7B**
White Mountain Elementary School
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Ruidoso Downs Senior Citizens Center
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Ruidoso Downs Senior Citizens Center
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San Patricio Senior Citizens Center
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Tinnie Volunteer Fire Station
4 members
- Precinct 12C**
Capitan Volunteer Fire Station
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Carrizozo Municipal Schools
5 members
- Precinct AB/EV**
Lincoln County Commission Chambers
7 members

proposals received after closing time will be rejected and returned unopened. The fact that a proposal was dispatched will not be considered.

Copies of the Request can be obtained in person at the office of the Purchasing Department at 122 Downs Drive or will be mailed upon written or telephone request to Fern Mosley, Procurement Manager at (505) 378-4422.

The Village of Ruidoso Downs reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and waive all formalities as deemed in the best interest of the Village.

/s/ John Waters
Village Administrator
Village of Ruidoso Downs

LEGAL NOTICE

#3962 4T (3)1, 8, 15, 22

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

JERRY CLAUDE HOOPER, PETITIONER, VS. VIVIAN LORRAINE HOOPER Respondent,

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT

To: ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS O INTEREST IN THE PREMISES ADVERSE TO THE PETITIONERS:

GREETINGS: Vivian Lorraine Hooper

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that there has been filed in District court of Lincoln County, State of New Mexico, a certain cause of action wherein Jerry Claude Hooper is the petitioner and you are the respondent, the same being Cause No. DM-010120, Division III.

The object and purpose of the said is to obtain a final judgment and dissolution o Marriage.

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that unless you enter your appearance o file pleadings herein on or before March 22, 2002, the Petitioner will make application to the Court for Degree by Default will be rendered against you as prayed for in the complaint.

The name of the Petitioner's attorney is Charles E. Hawthorne, and his address is 900 Suddeth Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico, 86345.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico this 22nd day of February, 2002.

/s/ Jolene Biggs
DISTRICT COURT CLERK
LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO.

#3962 4T (3) 1,8,15,22

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

NO. CV-00-220

FLAGSTAR BANK, FSB, PLAINTIFF, VS. LOY ASKEW AKA LOY VAN ASKEW, DEFENDANTS,

AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

HEREBY GIVEN that on April 3, 2002, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., the undersigned Special Master will, at the northeast entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, New Mexico, sell all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendants in and to the herein-after described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 105 Cover Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico, and is situated in Lincoln County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

LOT 14, BLOCK 4 OF GREEN MEADOWS ADDITION, RUIDOSO, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN BY THE PLAT THEREOF FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK OF LINCOLN COUNTY, AUGUST 29, 1994, IN TUBE NO. 185.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above-entitled and numbered cause on October 16, 2000, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above-described property. The plaintiff's judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$72,110.79 and the same bears interest at 8.125% per annum from January 16, 2001. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$7,111.06. The Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit a bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

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

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to a one (1) month right of redemption.

Nick Vega, Special Master
PO Box 383
Carrizozo, NM 88301
(505) 648-2217

#3961 4T (3)8, 15, 22, 29

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

NO. CV 00-182

BANK ONE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE (FKA THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF CHICAGO AS TRUSTEE), Plaintiff,

vs. KIM NELSON, PEGGY NELSON, aka PEGGY TRUEBLOOD, and THE MONEY STORE dba Defendants.

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NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT

TO: DONNIE AND MARGARET SHAFER GREETINGS:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that there has been filed in the District court of Lincoln County, State of New Mexico, a certain cause of action wherein E.J. McCullough and Yvonne C. McCullough are the Plaintiffs and are the Defendants, the same being Cause No. CV-01-248, Division III.

The object and purpose of the said suit is a complaint for breach of contract and damage to property.

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that unless you enter your appearance or file pleadings herein on or before March 24, 2002, the Plaintiffs will make application to the Court for a satisfaction of judgment which will be rendered against you as prayed for in the complaint.

The name of the Plaintiff's attorney is CHARLES E. HAWTHORNE and whose address is 900 Suddeth Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico, 86345.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico this 22nd day of Feb, 2002.

Elizabeth Yvonne District Court Clerk
LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

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(Cut Application Out and Mail Today)

APPLICATION FOR POLL WORKER

Yes, I would like to serve as an Official Poll Worker for the upcoming 2002 elections. I am a resident of the United States and a current registered voter of the State of New Mexico, County of Lincoln

Applicant Registered Name _____
Applicant Physical Address _____
Applicant Mailing Address _____
Applicant Telephone Numbers: Home _____

A fascination with graphic history, and a chance encounter in Lincoln County brought Sandra Smith to New Mexico, where she plies her art of

Restoring Memories

BY SANDY SUGGITT
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Working in Lincoln from what used to be an Episcopal Church, in Hondo — bought for \$5 by Cille Dickinson and transported to Lincoln as a workshop — Sandra Smith plies her interest in history with her skills as a photo restorer to recreate photographs with all of the details they originally had that time and wear have largely obliterated.

She began by researching her own family — her great-uncle Daniel Castle, who was one of 5,000 in the Marines from 1900-1905 in Manila. He kept a journal, clippings and photographs, but the photos were in poor condition, with many of the figures faded and indecipherable. She took it as a technical challenge to reconstruct one of the faded men in her picture. (To see what she had to work with and what she came up with, see her gallery at www.asterllf.com.)

Using the Painter Program owned by Corel, a natural painting program, she scans the original photograph at very high resolution. Then she also uses hardware

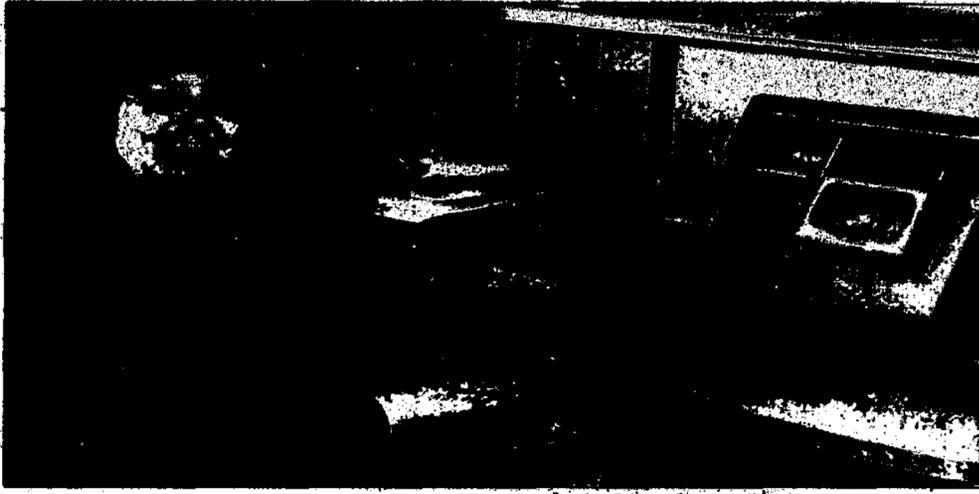


Photo restorer Sandra Smith sits in the studio where she brings so many old and faded photos back to life.

tablet and stylus to repaint faded areas, and draws and paints both digitally and manually.

"The trick is you don't want to turn it into something new, but you want it clean enough for you to see the detail on it," Smith said. "I call it 'forensic reconstruction,' recovering the detail that's historically relevant

but obscured by dirt and time and the smallness of the tints."

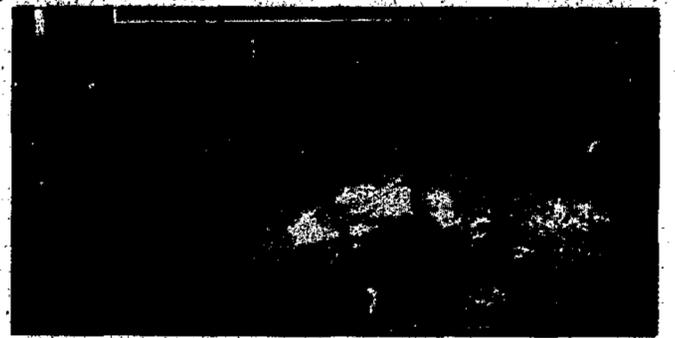
She has become something of an expert in tints and can identify problems with some of the old tintype photographs. One of those is motion, because subjects had to pose for up to 20 minutes, and often wore neck braces to keep their heads still while

the lens was being focused.

Smith moved to Lincoln from Florida last August, after visiting several times before when she was liaising with the Lincoln County Historical Society about a photograph she was interested in. In November of 1999, she stayed at Casa Patron, a bed and breakfast in Lincoln.

"After meetings and talking, I went outside," Smith said. "The gate creaked and a dog a mile away started barking — something I never could have heard where I lived in Florida. I saw the stars for the first time since I'd been in Corfeau (an island off the coast of Greece). That made me decide I had to leave Florida. I sold my house and car and bought a train ticket — one way — to Albuquerque."

Smith stayed in a room at the Rainbow Inn in Carrizozo for the first three weeks, then she found the house that used to be an Episcopal Church in Hondo. In the private courtyard, there's a 100-year-old apple tree, a couple of plums and a breath-taking view of the back vistas of Lincoln. Inside, the walls are covered with assorted photographs of her ancestors dating from



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Before... Typically, many photos Smith works on have years of wear and tear on them. A great deal of work goes into removing dirt and writing, compensating for partial photo destruction, and overall balancing of the shading.



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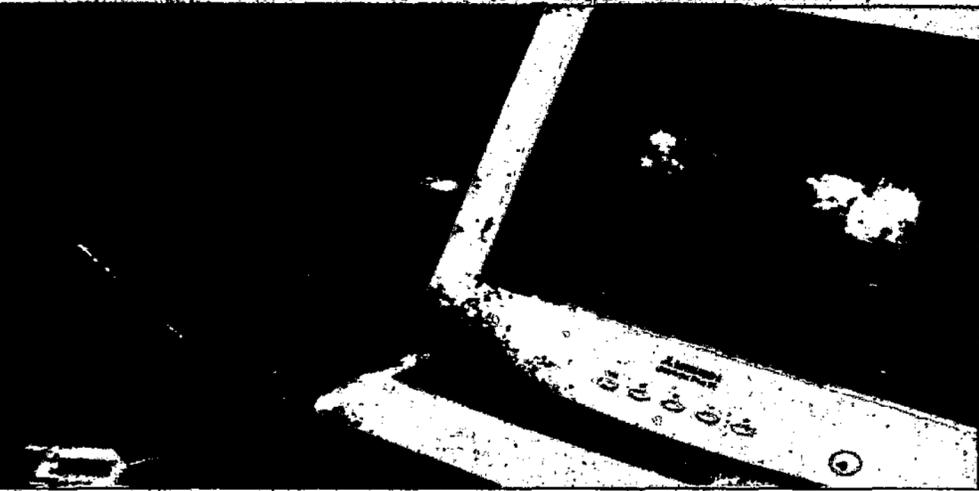
And after... Tears in the original are gone, the color has been balanced, and the entire photo looks as though it were taken just yesterday.

1845, as well as other old photos and artifacts. She's renting now, but has bought some land in town and her New Year's resolution was to be in her new home by next year.

Since moving to Lincoln, Smith has become Webmaster for the Lincoln County Historical Society and works with that organization on its collection of old photographs. She did a photo shoot for an Art Loop participant and has

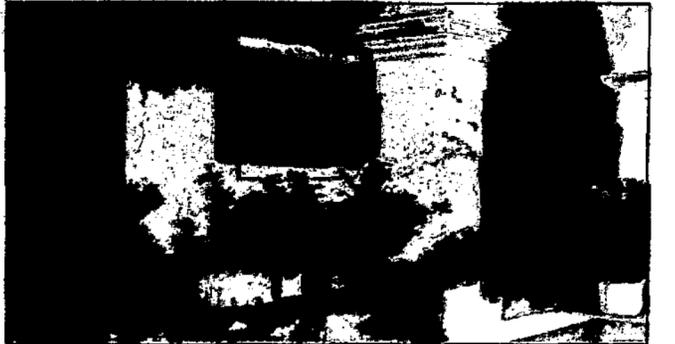
begun taking drawing classes with Karen Reeder at Eastern New Mexico University-Ruidoso.

"With digital art, you've got an 'undo' button. I needed to know if I could do the stuff on paper," she said. "I'm getting involved in fine arts, going to get my associate of arts and eventually I expect I'll also produce fine arts just as another one of the things I do."



SANDY SUGGITT/STAFF

Smith demonstrates the computer program she uses to do her restoration work. The final product is usually the result of both computer and manual painting techniques.



COURTESY

In addition to her regular work, Smith also creates "computer paintings" such as this one, entitled "Portamus (in Corfeau)."

It's Oscar time; so prepare the blow darts

Of all the prestigious awards that the entertainment industry gives to itself in humble recognition of its own sheer fabulousness — the Emmys, the Grammys, the Tonys, the Golden Globes, The Walkys, The Silver Spheres, The Vinnys, the Cubic Zirconium Orbs of Distinction, the Sneezys and the Award That They Always Give To Kelsey Grammer — there is none so prestigious as the Oscars.

That's why an estimated 40 billion people will tune in this year to watch the Academy Awards show, which begins at 8:30 p.m. (Pacific) on March 24, with the climactic announcement of Best Picture scheduled to be announced at 8:30 p.m. (Pacific) on March 25.

Yes, it will be 99 hours of nonstop entertainment, "Hollywood-style," broken down as follows:

— Movie stars reading spontaneous banter from teleprompters: 6 hours, 37 minutes.

— Shots of the always fascinating Jack Nicholson sitting

in the audience: 4 hours, 19 minutes.

— Jokes involving Enron: 1 hour.

— Memorable, unscripted moments: 3 minutes.

— People you never heard of thanking other people you never heard of: 57 hours.

Of course, this is the "best case" scenario; usually the show runs long. Nothing can be done about this. The producers have tried everything to pick up the pace, including, last year, sharpshooters. As soon as a winner's thank-you speech reached the two-minute mark, FWWWWWT a tranquilizer dart would lodge itself in his or her neck. But this did no good. The winner for Longest Short Foreign Film hung tough for more than 11 minutes, sustaining dart after dart until he looked like a tuxedo-wearing porcupine, but doggedly continuing to thank people, some apparently picked at random from a telephone directory, before staggering off the stage with enough sedative in his bloodstream to immobilize a

water buffalo.

That's the kind of adrenaline rush you get at the Academy Awards. I know because I was there once, in 1987, along with the movie critics, who are very bitter because they know, in their hearts, that their teeth will never look as nice as the teeth of the people they write about. The critics are also angry because, in their opinion, the Oscars always go to the wrong people. Here's how they explained it to me: Each year, the Academy gives the awards to people who really should have won LAST year. The reason they didn't win last year was that the Academy was giving the awards to people who should have won the year before THAT. This has been going on all the way back to the first Academy Awards, which apparently were handed out by total morons.

Who deserves to win this year's awards? This is an especially difficult question this year, because there were so many fine performances and movies, and I have not seen

any of them. My wife and I have a two-year-old daughter, and on those rare occasions when we have a baby sitter, we use the time for activities we need to catch up on, such as brushing our teeth.

So the only movie I've seen this past year is "The Sound of Music," from 1965, on DVD. But I've seen it a LOT. It's my daughter's favorite movie. She thinks it's called "Boys and Girls," as in, "Watch Boys and Girls? Watch Boys and Girls?" etc. We watch it eight or more times per day.

"The Sound of Music" is the heartwarming story, set in 1937, of the von Trapp family in Austria, where, for some reason, everybody speaks English with a British accent, except for the oldest von Trapp daughter, Liesl, who has a distinct American accent, possibly as a result of an accident that also caused her to lose a vowel. There is trouble in the von Trapp family because (a) the children don't know any songs, and (b) World War II is about to

break out. Meanwhile, Julie Andrews is studying to be a nun, but is having second thoughts because when she asks the head nun for advice, the head nun starts shrieking about climbing mountains in a voice that could bore holes through steel.

So Julie becomes the governess of the von Trapp children and wins them over by making clothes for them out of hideous draperies. Then she teaches them the song "Doe, a deer, a female deer," etc., which they sing, thanks to the DVD player's handy "repeat" button, over and over and over and over, until the Nazis flee, screaming, never to return. So it's a happy ending, and I hope we can say the same for this year's Academy Awards. Thanks for reading this. I also want to thank my agent, Al Hart, and FWWWWWT.

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Remembering Brady: Shades of gray part 1

William Brady is remembered chiefly as the Lincoln County Sheriff who was killed in the street by the Regulators during the Lincoln County War.

Billy the Kid was the only one of the six men shooting at the lawman ever to stand trial for the crime, and somehow, over the years, the blame has been laid at his door and his door alone.

While there is certainly no doubt as to the Kid's participation in the assassination, it should be remembered, just for the record, that there were FIVE other shooters laying in wait for Sheriff Brady that morning. None of which makes the crime any less dastardly.

Bad press

The Kid and the other five shooters, on April 1, 1878 — April Fool's Day — concealed themselves behind a gate that used to stand in the alley on the east side of the Tunstall Store in Lincoln.

Their plan to assassinate the Sheriff was hare-brained at best. The Regulators, for some reason, thought that in killing the Sheriff they would be striking a blow for the McSween cause. All they REALLY did was create an enormous amount of bad press and alienate many people who had hitherto been sympathetic to them.

And it wasn't ALL of the Regulators, either. It was actually only a fraction of their entire force, six men considered to be the "hothead" element of the group: Jim French, John Middleton, Fred Waitt, Henry

Brown, Frank MacNab and of course, Billy the Kid known at the time as "Kid Antrim."



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Jose Chavez y Chavez claimed to have been present many years later. In fact, he maintained that it was he who actually killed the Sheriff. Of course, everyone knows that no one man could have killed the Sheriff. He was hit too many times, too fast for it to have been one man.

Tunstall's friend and major blowhard, Rob Widenmann was there also, but claimed to have been feeding Tunstall's dog at the time of the ambush. When newspapers began derisively referring to him as "the dog feeder," he finally ceased his protestations. At any rate, it was there that they waited, from behind that tall wooden gate, with rifles at the ready, as the Sheriff and his four deputies made their way down Lincoln's street toward the courthouse.

(Note: In 1878, the courthouse was NOT the building known as the courthouse today in Lincoln. It was the structure now known as the Convento which stands just east of the San Juan Mission.)

The Sheriff's four deputies that day were George Hindman, George Peppin, Billy Mathews, and John Long. Sources differ as to which way they were walking when the fatal fusillade struck. Most accounts say that they were moving in an easterly direction and had not yet reached the courthouse. However, there are some who believe that their

business was completed at the courthouse and they were headed back in a westerly direction toward the Murphy Store. In the final analysis, it makes no difference and is one of those points that is of interest only to historians. The question addressed in this column is, essentially, what sort of man was Sheriff Brady and what happened that day?

And to answer the first part of that question, one must go back to his origins and, in fact, his entire life, not just the few years preceding the Lincoln County War.

Origins

A native of Ireland, William Brady emigrated to the United States and joined the army in 1851 for a five-year hitch. He was about 22 at this time.

Re-enlisting repeatedly as time went by, he became a career officer and at one time, commanded Fort Stanton. There has never been anything to indicate that Brady's service in the military was anything but honorable and, in fact, courageous.

In October of 1866, Brevet Major William Brady was honorably discharged. He married a widow, Maria Bonifacia Chavez, in 1862. At the time of

her husband's death, she was pregnant with the last of their nine children — which was another fact that shifted much of the sympathy from the Tunstall/McSween faction back to the Murphy/Dolan faction, with whom Brady was identified.

And that is part of the problem. William Brady is forever being portrayed as being completely in the pocket of, and in fact the dupe, of Jimmy Dolan. Like so many other things in the Lincoln County War, this is debatable.

Between a rock and a hard place

Sheriff Brady was, essentially, a decent man stuck in a very bad position. He was



PHOTO COURTESY N. E. McEMERY Sheriff Brady found himself in a ticklish situation, due to unpaid bills and pressure from Jimmy Dolan

deeply in debt to "The House," as the Murphy Store was known, and was struggling to do the right thing as a lawman. At the same time, his "friend," Jimmy Dolan was pressuring him to do his (Dolan's) bidding. However, it seems that Sheriff Brady was not quite as agreeable as Dolan's nefarious schemes as is sometimes assumed. In fact, Dolan seems to have been, on several occasions, exasperated

at Brady's attempts to perform his duties properly.

With a quagmire of unpaid bills on his mind constantly, and with all those children, it is easy to feel — well, at least for those of us who have had to struggle — some sympathy for the Sheriff who truly was "between a rock and a hard place."

Which is not to say he was some sort of saint, either. Just like the rest of us, William Brady was not perfect. He earned the undying hatred of future Regulator George Coe — and probably Doc Scurlock too, who never recorded his recollections — when he brought them, in custody, into Lincoln. It was not being arrested that bothered Coe so much, it was the manner of their transportation. According to George, Sheriff Brady tied them both to the same unsaddled horse and forced them to ride to Lincoln that way from the approximate location of modern Glencoe.

George's arms were tied around Scurlock's waist, who sat in front of him on the horse. The knots were, apparently, too tight, and being forced to stay

in this position for the hours-long trip to Lincoln was, according to Coe, excruciating. In fact, he claimed it was worse than having his leg broken in two places and being shot twice — both mishaps that he suffered on other occasions.

Of course, it could be argued that Coe and Scurlock deserved what they were getting, as the reason for their arrest was the crime of harboring a fugitive. In this case, a pretty nasty one, too. Alabama native Frank Freeman was on the run because he had shot and killed a buffalo soldier from Fort Stanton in a restaurant in Lincoln. It seems that the black man had the incredible effrontery to sit next to Freeman at this restaurant. Freeman had "instructed" the fellow to sit elsewhere, at which point the black man quite reasonably pointed out that it was a free country. That did it. Freeman shot him dead on the spot. It turned out later that Frank had fled his native Alabama for exactly the same crime.

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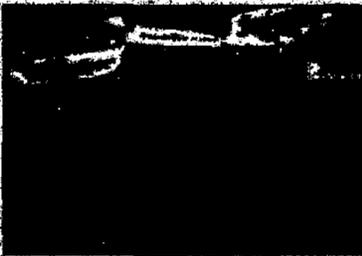
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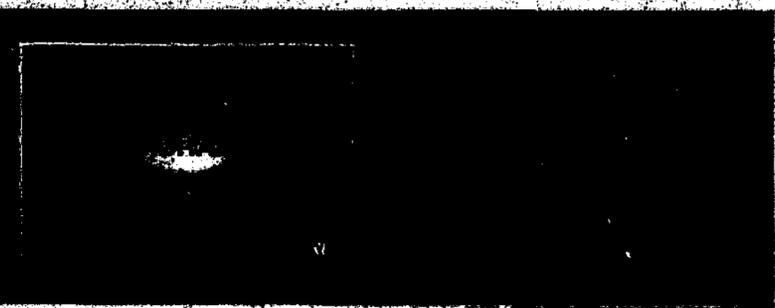
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CATHOLIC
St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church
Ruidoso, 257-2330. Reverend Al Galvan, Sacrament of Penance: Sat. 5:00 p.m. or by appointment; Sat. Mass: 6 p.m. (Bilingual); Sun. Mass: 10 a.m. (English), 11:30 a.m. (English); Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat. 5 to 5:30 p.m.; Sunday Mass, St. Jude Thaddeus, San Fabrice 8 a.m.

CHRISTIAN
Crosspoint Christian Fellowship
A Christ Centered Church
Ruidoso Senior Center, 701 Sudderth Drive, 258-1492. Steve Kralins, Pastor. Pre-service prayer 9 a.m.; Sunday worship services: 10 a.m. & 11 a.m.; Church 10 a.m. Small group meetings, including youth group, at various times and locations.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Gateway Church of Christ
415 Sudderth, Ruidoso, 257-4361. Jay Willmon, Pastor. Sunday Bible study: 9:30 a.m.; Sun. worship: 10:30 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wed. Bible study: 7 p.m.

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Ruidoso Branch, North on Hwy. 48, between Ruidoso and Capitan, Joe McGill, 336-4359. Sunday schedule: Sacrament starts at 10 a.m.; Sunday School; Praise and Relief Society.

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METHODIST
Community United Methodist Church
Junction Road, behind "The Coffee House", Bob Sawyer, Pastor. Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.; Sunday worship: 8:30 a.m., 10:35 a.m.

PENTECOSTAL
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Cornerstone Square, 613 Sudderth, 354-4906 or 430-6654. Pastor, Art Dunn. Sat. evening worship 6 p.m.

NAZARENE
Angus Church of the Nazarene
Angus, 12 miles north of Ruidoso on Hwy. 48, 336-8032. Charles Hall, Pastor. Sat. Alternative Worship, 6:30 p.m.; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m.; Sunday Evening Worship, 6 p.m.; Tuesday Prayer Meeting, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Youth Worship, 6:30 p.m.

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First Presbyterian Church
101 Sutton Drive (Nob Hill), Ruidoso, 257-2220. Cathy E. Canale, Pastor. Sunday school 9:30 a.m.; worship 11 a.m. Potluck fellowship after worship the third Sunday of every month.

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American Missionary Fellowship
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433 Sudderth Drive in the Gateway Center, 257-5915. Pastor John Marshall. Sunday worship 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday: Mid-week bible study 7 p.m.

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Trinity Southern Baptist Church (south on Highway 48) Mt. Capitan Rd. 354-2044. Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Worship: 11 a.m.; AWANA: Sunday 4-6 p.m.

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

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Capitan - Highway 48, Lee Eckwood, Minister. Sunday Bible study: 10 a.m.; Sunday worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible study: 7 p.m.

FOUR SQUARE
Capitan Four Square Church
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Capitan United Methodist Church
Pastor Johnnie Anderson and the congregation of Capitan United Methodist Church welcome Lincoln County residents and visitors alike to attend Bible study: Sunday morning at 8:30, followed by worship services at 9:10. Communion is offered during worship on the first Sunday of every month, and a potluck luncheon is served the third Sunday at 12:30. White Oaks and Third in Capitan. 305-648-2846.

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

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

Quilting tradition rich in Ruidoso

Quilting is a tradition born of necessity. Our country's earliest patchwork quilts were made from well-worn bits of cloth. Participants at a quilting bee in early American life met to piece together and quilt warm, beautiful bed covers. This was also an opportunity to swap stories with family and friends. The art of quilting continues to be a source of relaxation and pride. Quilts made by machine can become heirlooms just as those made by hand.

National Craft Month, March 1-31, promotes the fun and creativity of hobbies and crafts. With imagination and materials of ordinary life, you will discover the joy of creating art. When my six children were growing up, quilting caught my attention. I learned to identify quilt designs: Log Cabin, Wild Goose Chase, Ocean Waves, Drunkard's Path, Lone Star, and Wedding Ring. Sewing scraps and used clothing were used for my patchwork designs.

Quilting is "painting with fabric." Pieced, appliquéd, or embroidered blocks are joined together to form a top. Three layers (top, middle padding and a lining) are held together with decorative stitching. The quilting designs are figural or interlaced. Leaf and

shell designs are artfully repeated. Another popular, easier method of putting together these layers is by tying. This involves tacking the layers with thick thread or yarn at various places throughout the quilt.

I learned recently that the Ruidoso Senior Center at 501 Sudderth has a quilt club that meets every Thursday at 1 p.m. Center supervisor Sandee K. Jourden said that the non-profit group usually have two or three tops going for people who pay for the service. The group donates their quilting profits to those that do not qualify for the meals-on-wheels program. These women are preserving an art handed down by many generations and along they way are helping others.

There are others that preserve this rich quilt heritage. Carrizozo quilt enthusiast Nancy Lollar is sharing her talents with students at the school library by creating a story book quilt. Denise Byrd, site manager at Corona Senior Citizen Center, is involved with a quilting project there. This center is one of five Lincoln County Zia Senior Citizen Centers. The other centers are in Carrizozo, Capitán, San Patricio and Ruidoso Downs.



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BY POLLY E. CHAVEZ



Saturday - The Ruidoso Labyrinth Project invites everyone to a Spring 2002 Circle of Renewal at the Sierra Vista Primary School multipurpose room between 6 and 9 p.m. This is a sacred walk on the Chartes 11-Circuit Labyrinth. The walk will include a time of reflecting on reawakening spirit, time to experience the ancient meditative walk of the candlelit labyrinth with special music, private time for journaling, meditation and spiritual renewal. Donations are accepted. For more information, call 253-4314.

Coming up at 10 a.m. Sunday, March 31: The Sixth Annual Henriette Wyeth Memorial School Art Festival opens, with work from high school students from Lincoln and Otero Counties. For more information, call 378-4142.

Also March 31 is an annual Easter Sunrise service for local residents and visitors at Two Rivers Park, next to the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce, at 6:30 a.m. Hot coffee, hot chocolate and doughnuts will be served during the brief service sponsored by Community United Methodist Church. Warm clothing is recommended. Parking is available at Two Rivers Park or in the parking lot of the Chamber of Commerce. For more information, contact the church office at 257-4071.

Dance & Entertainment Extravaganza, 6:30-11 p.m. April 6 at the Ruidoso Convention Center will support local community health and service groups, with proceeds going to qualifying providers, servers and caregivers. Tickets are \$10 for adults and children under 18 are free.

Sponsored by the Rio Hondo American Red Cross and Sierra Doves Center for Healing, the Dance & Entertainment Extravaganza features a wide variety of dance music, deejay Scar Ward, surprise entertainers throughout the evening, silent auction, raffle and refreshments (no alcohol). Live dance instruction will be offered from 6:45 to 7:15 p.m.

For tickets, call: 336-1154, 336-9242, fax 336-9488 or e-mail Shirle@ziar.net. To donate a gift, call Hetsy at 253-9151. Call, fax or write, describing your group's special needs and dreams for funding.

Author Adela Amador, who writes "Southwest Flavor" in New Mexico Magazine, will give a book reading at the Anderson-Freeman Visitors Center and Museum in Lincoln at 1 p.m. on Saturday. She will be available immediately following the read-

ing to sign any of her books, which will be available for purchase in the gift shop. This event is free to the public.

Amador and her husband, Harry Wilson, are the owners of Amador Publishers, an Albuquerque-based publishing house that specializes in fiction and biographies with themes of equality, respect for all cultures and preservation of the earth.

This event is made possible in part by a grant from New Mexico Arts, a division of the office of Cultural Affairs and the National Endowment for the Arts. For more information on the book reading, call Elizabeth Becker at the Hubbard Museum of the American West at 378-4142.

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An extra-terrestrial is accidentally left behind on Earth and is befriended by a young boy and his brother and sister.
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Directed by: Steven Spielberg
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Written by: Melissa Mathison
Showtimes: 1 p.m., 4 p.m., 6:45 p.m., 9:30 p.m.

The Time Machine
Science Fiction/Fantasy
PG-13 for intense sequences of action violence.
Alexander Hartdegen (Guy Pearce) invents a time machine in the late 1800s that takes him 800,000 years into the future. There he discovers that mankind has evolved into two races: the Eloi and the Morlocks.
Starring: Guy Pearce, Mark Addy, Samantha Mumba, Jeremy Irons, Phillip Bosco
Directed by: Simon Wells
Produced by: Walter F. Parkes, David Valdes
Written by: John Logan, Simon Wells, H.G. Wells

Showtimes: 2 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 7:15 p.m., 9:30 p.m.

Ice Age
Comedy and Kids/Family
PG for mild peril.
Twenty thousand years ago, the Earth was being overrun by glaciers, and creatures everywhere were fleeing the onslaught of the new Ice Age. In this time of peril, we meet the weirdest herd of any Age: a fast talking but dim witted bison named Sid (voiced by John Leguizamo); a moody woolly mammoth named Manny (voiced by Ray Romano); a devilish saber-toothed tiger named Diego (voiced by Denis Leary); and an acorn-crazy saber-toothed squirrel known as Scrat. This quartet of misfits unexpectedly, and reluctantly, comes together in a quest to return a human infant to his father. Braving boiling lava pits, treacherous ice caves, freezing temperatures and a secret, evil plot, these "sub-zeros" become the world's first heroes!
Starring: Ray Romano, John Leguizamo, Denis Leary, Goran Visnjic, Jack Black
Directed by: Chris Wedel
Produced by: Christopher Meledandri, Lori Forte
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HOME & FAMILY

A ski village doctor

■ Dr. Ronald Annala was one of two doctors in Ruidoso when he arrived in 1962. His 40th anniversary here will be marked with a reception in April.

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Keeping mind and body active, Dr. Ronald L. Annala divides his time between his medical practice and the slopes of Ski Apache.

A veteran of 40 years spent attending the injuries and ailments of Lincoln County residents, seasonal visitors and tourists, Annala will be honored with a reception from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. April 7 at Cree Meadows Country Club.

Born in Kemmerer, Wyo., in the Western high plains, Annala grew up in the coal mining community as one of 10 children. His father emigrated from Finland through Ellis Island when he was just 15 years old, to avoid serving in the Russian army.

"Like most Finlanders (they work with their backs), he went up to Minnesota to the iron mines, but how he got to Wyoming, I don't know," Annala said. "He met my Mom there. She was a first-generation Finlander. She was from Rock Springs, where her mother had a boarding house."

About the time of Annala's birth in 1933, his father lost an arm in a mining accident. The family moved to a small ranch where they maintained a few cows.

"It was very small, very poor, no water rights or anything," he said. "It was just a matter of work to try to get all the kids through school. It was very important to my mother that her children had an education, which she didn't have. She had an eighth-grade education. My dad only went to the fourth or fifth grade, which I guess in Finland they thought was adequate."

Annala's older brothers went into the Army and Air Force during World War II.

"It was sort of like two families, the family that went off to war and the family that stayed home," he said. The siblings helped each other complete their schooling. Those who came back from the war used government programs.

Annala attended the University of Wyoming for 3 1/2 years, but stopped short of a degree because he was accepted into medical school in Colorado.

"It was a matter of time and money," he said. "I couldn't afford it."

The state of Wyoming provided a scholarship to the University of Colorado because it had no medical school of its own.

"My medical advisor got me on this scholarship, so I paid in-state tuition — otherwise it was way too expensive," Annala said.

He graduated in 1958 and began a rotating internship at Ancker Hospital in St. Paul, Minn., a city/county facility. From there, he joined a large practice in Rawlins, Wyo., for three years.

In 1962, one year after oilman Robert O. Anderson opened the ski run now called Ski



DIANNE STALLINGS/STAFF

Dr. Annala is off to the slopes of Ski Apache, while there's still snow. The chance to ski, and practice medicine, brought him to Ruidoso in the early 1960s, and he's never seen any reason to leave.

Apache and operated by the Mesalero Apache Tribe, Annala moved to Ruidoso.

"I've been a skier most of my life," he said. "There was a small skiing area in Wyoming, but when the lift broke and nobody was going to fix it, I went to Roswell where there were some guys I knew and they said there was this area opening up 70 miles away."

"I went up and looked at it and figured that's where I would spend the rest of my days."

When he arrived in Ruidoso, the town of about 4,000 people had two other doctors. One left about a year later. Annala and Dr. Willie Horton joined forces, alternating days at the hospital, maintaining their practices and even making home visits.

"We had a real bond," Annala said. "We were very close. I saw him until his death in Ruidoso from cancer. It was sort of devastating to me... I guess it will be 12 years on July 1."

The hospital contained about 20 beds. The original building now comprises the administrative offices of the Lincoln County Medical Center. It was a city/county hospital when Annala arrived.

"We took care of everything," he said of his partnership with Horton at the hospital. "Many a leg came down off the mountain that we cast and sent it off back to where it came from. We did appendixes, OBs, all the things the small community needs because you have to."

House calls continued until time became too tight, he said. Still, in his early years in Ruidoso, "You knew everybody."

That changed over the ensuing decades, but the most significant change impacted the medical community directly, he said.

"It's the evolution to the point a doctor doesn't have a say about what he can do," Annala said. "He has to get permission from an HMO or a PPO or whatever organization.

A lot of time is wasted — telephone calls, denials. Sending a person from one so-called trade area into another, he goes through many letters written to get the patient covered because they went out of system to another doctor, maybe because a health emergency occurred somewhere outside the system. It doesn't make sense."

Specializing also continues to be the trend started when he was in school.

That fosters a lack of continuity of care. No one is looking at the whole patient, he said.

"Everyone has their own special niche," he said. "If you fit into it, that's great because they can make the diagnosis. If you don't fit into their niche, they're lost."

Climate, one of the major factors that attracted Annala, helped keep him here.

"In Wyoming, the wind stops twice a year, and only to change direction," he said. "Here, we have our windy seasons, but nothing like there. It's warm for the most part during the daytime and it's cool at night — an average year-around of 45 to 50 degrees. You can't beat that, plus we have good clean air and that's probably as important as anything."

"We had clean water at one time. I hope that continues. And there is wild game. I'd rather eat wild game than processed beef. You also can fish. Raising a garden up here a little more difficult. You have to work on it."

He skis "every chance I get," Annala said. "We travel. I have a place where I raise evergreen trees as decoration. It keeps me busy bending and digging. The key to life is to keep busy. If you exercise and stay physiologically fit, there's no doubt it's much better than all the things for high blood pressure."

The Annala family, including six grandchildren, stayed close over the years. His wife, Cathy, and two sons, Eric and Scott, are involved in the office practice and his daughter, Gretchen Bedeaux, is a physical therapist living in Albuquerque.

looking back

LINCOLN COUNTY SCRAPBOOK

MARCH 21, 1952

Green Tree soldier earns combat infantry badge

Cpl. Charlie B. Montoya, Green Tree, is among the first members of the 40th Infantry Division to be awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge, a symbol of the front line fighting man, since the unit's arrival in Korea.

The 40th, a National Guard Unit ... trained for 16 months in Japan before it was committed to Korea in January.

MARCH 23, 1962

Billingsley heads Rotary

Cecil Billingsley has been elevated from the position of vice president to president of the Ruidoso-Hondo Valley Rotary Club. He succeeds Roy Anderson.

Other officers, elected last week by the Rotarians, to take office July 1, are Cecil Smith, vice president; Jack Jennings, secretary treasurer; Ed Lane, sergeant-at-arms; and Roy Anderson, Jim Wimberly, O. C. Shields, Dan Swearingin and Lloyd Davis, directors.

MARCH 24, 1972

Lukens new police chief

Paul M. Lukens Jr., 33, a native of Roswell and resident of Ruidoso since 1968, Monday was appointed by newly elected Mayor Leon Farrar as the new Ruidoso chief of police.

Lukens replaces Orlando S. Montes, 50, who after 14 years of service with the department, the last eight of which he served as chief, was asked to resign last week by Mayor Farrar.

Farrar gave no reason for asking for Montes' resignation.

MARCH 25, 1982

Chamber board named

Recently elected members of the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce were introduced Wednesday ... by President Richard Sandoval.

Elected ... by the general membership, were Joan Bailey, Bill Braudt, Danny Brown, Jim Goodwin, Ronnie Hemphill, Tom Kelham, Jim Paxton and Paul Crown.

MARCH 26, 1992

Vandals fell forest giants

Ruidoso Police Chief Richard Swenor was out on Sunday afternoon prowling around the woods and ridges that overlook the village ... to locate illegal dump sites.

What he found was in his mind many times worse. He found large alligator junipers illegally cut down and the largest part of the trunk cut out and trucked away.

Baby Ashlee arrives very early, but survives

■ A fund has been established to help with neonatal care.

Expectant mother Shanna Paehl of Ruidoso, a member of the direct care staff at the Ruidoso Care Center, was injured while working with a patient in late February and entered into premature labor.

Taken immediately to Lincoln County Medical Center, she was delivered of a daughter, Ashlee Brooke Paehl Escobarn. Just 25 weeks into gestation, the infant upon birth weighed 1 pound, 11 ounces.

A Presbyterian Hospital crew from

Albuquerque flew to Ruidoso on Feb. 27 to return Ashlee to the hospital's Neonatal Intensive Care Unit.

According to Donna Paehl, Ashlee's grandmother, the infant is "doing wonderfully well," but must remain in the care unit for at least another four months, in order to reach normal term.

Mrs. Paehl said the Presbyterian crew was highly complimentary of the LCMC staff and the way the delivery was handled. A fund to assist in Ashlee's care has been set up at Pioneer Bank in Ruidoso to help pay for neonatal care, her grandmother said.

L.C.M.C. BIRTHS

Recent births at Lincoln County Medical Center:

March 1, 2002 — a son, Christopher Michael Sanchez Jr., to Rachel Trujillo and Christopher Sanchez, Sr., 8 lb., 12.5 oz., 21 inches.

March 1, 2002 — a daughter, Verna Erma Jin, to Erma Bearshild and Vernon Jin, 7 lb., 4.7 oz., 20 inches.

March 2, 2002 — a daughter, Haven Hannah Gonzalez, to Kimberly Reasley and Anthony Gonzalez, 5 lb., 2.2 oz., 18 1/2 inches.

Benjamin Lea Dallas, to Trina Dallas, 5 lb., 10 oz., 19 inches.

March 4, 2002 — a son, Devin Michael Stevenson-Gutierrez, to Presli Stevenson and Cesar Gutierrez, 5 lb., 13 oz., 19 1/2 inches.

March 7, 2002 — a daughter, Malen Ray Montoya, to Adrianna and Joe Montoya II, 7 lb., 5.4 oz., 20 1/2 inches.

March 10, 2002 — a daughter, Dakota Cheyenne James, to Barbara and Rodney James, 7 lb., 8.8 oz., 20 1/2 inches.

March 11, 2002 — a son, Jesus Villanueva, Jr., to

Villanueva Sr., 5 lb., 13.6 oz., 18 1/2 inches.

March 13, 2002 — a daughter, Carly Jo Pearson, to Christy and Patric Pearson, 7 lb., 14.8 oz., 20 1/2 inches.

March 15, 2002 — a daughter, Ivy Brooke Cervantes, to Kara and Tyner Cervantes, 8 lb., 5.7 oz., 21 1/4 inches.

March 15, 2002 — a son, Ignatius Stephen Palmer, to Athas Palmer, 8 lb., 2.8 oz., 21 1/2 inches.

March 15, 2002 — a daughter, Dakota Cheyenne James, to Barbara and Rodney James, 7 lb., 8.1 oz., 22 inches.

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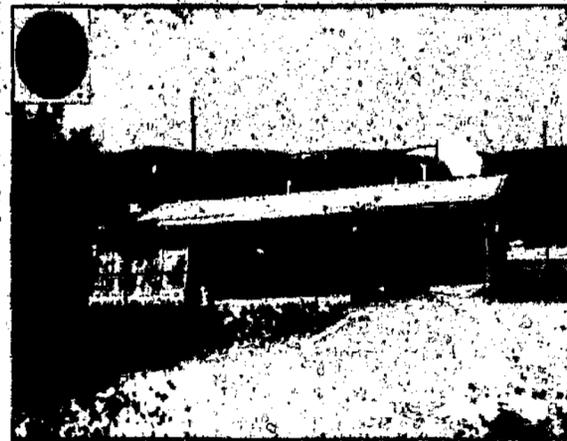
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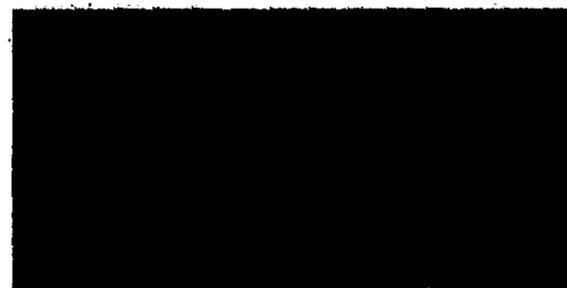
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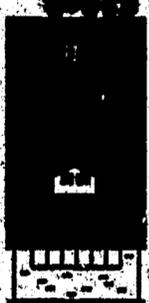
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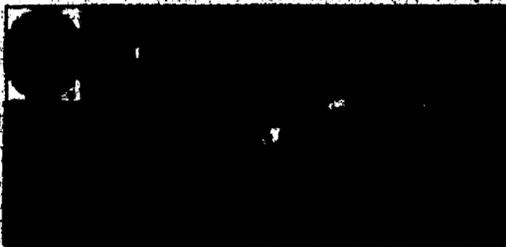
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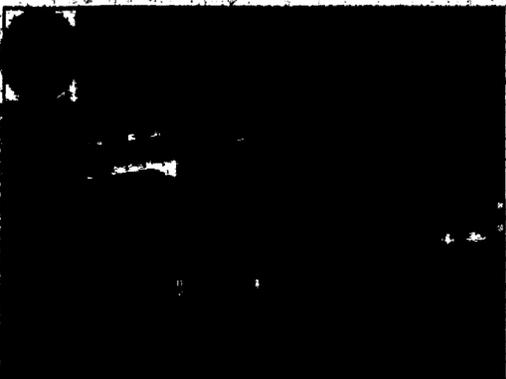
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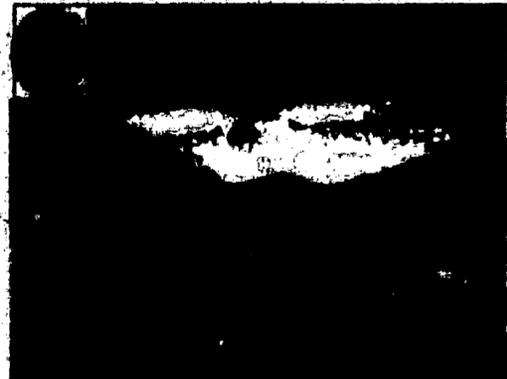
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Here's to good health

Full- and part-time residents and visitors to Lincoln County alike often need to adjust — to the landscape, the climate, the people and all the other elements that make up life.

Not the least is health care, something everybody must deal with on occasion, whether they want to or not.

In these pages, the Ruidoso News presents a cross-section of facilities available in the area — medical specialists, hospitals, clinics, homeopathic remedies, places to keep fit...

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Allergies still present in mountain terrain

by Dianne Stallings • Ruidoso News Staff Writer

While Ruidoso's high and dry climate may provide safe haven for many allergy and asthma sufferers, others discover a few plants can cause major problems.

Junipers prompt eyes to water and irritate noses. The wonderful aroma of pine can mean a night of sneezing.

Marilyn Nishitani, nurse practitioner at the Immediate Care Center in Sierra Mall off Mechem Drive, says allergies are plentiful in the mountains.

"Juniper and pine are the big offenders," she said. "And then we have our winds, which kick up a tremendous amount of dust and cause irritations."

The spring is the toughest

"People often aren't even aware they have these types of allergies, because they have symptoms but don't get really sick."

— Marilyn Nishitani,
nurse practitioner

est season for allergy sufferers, especially with the number of wild fires in recent years. The smoke irritates membranes and when the rain comes, the ash causes another flood of complaints, she said.

"Then as grasses change at different times of the year and different flowers bloom — like sage brush — different groups have problems," Nishitani said.

Beyond pollen and particles, people also can suffer from food allergies.

"People often aren't even aware they have these types of allergies, because they have symptoms but don't get really sick," she said.

Blood tests can be performed at the clinic, but patients are referred to a Las Cruces allergy specialist to develop a serum for shots to lessen allergic reactions, she said. A series of skin tests also can be conducted by allergists to determine sensitivity.

To distinguish allergies from infections, physicians check for post-nasal drainage. They look to see if the throat is red, but not producing a yellowish white fluid discharge.

Some congestion may be found behind the eardrums, but not redness and usually the chest is clear with allergies, Nishitani said.

"The breathing usually is not impaired, but they're feeling stuffed up," she said.

Eyes that are itching and watering also are a good indication that allergies, not

a cold, are in play, she said. A morning sore throat that goes away during the day is another symptom.

Nishitani's advice includes staying in air-conditioned buildings as much as possible and making sure that a good filter is used and cleaned often.

During the winter, filters also should be used on the

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Maintain Good Health

THE WILD HERB MARKET

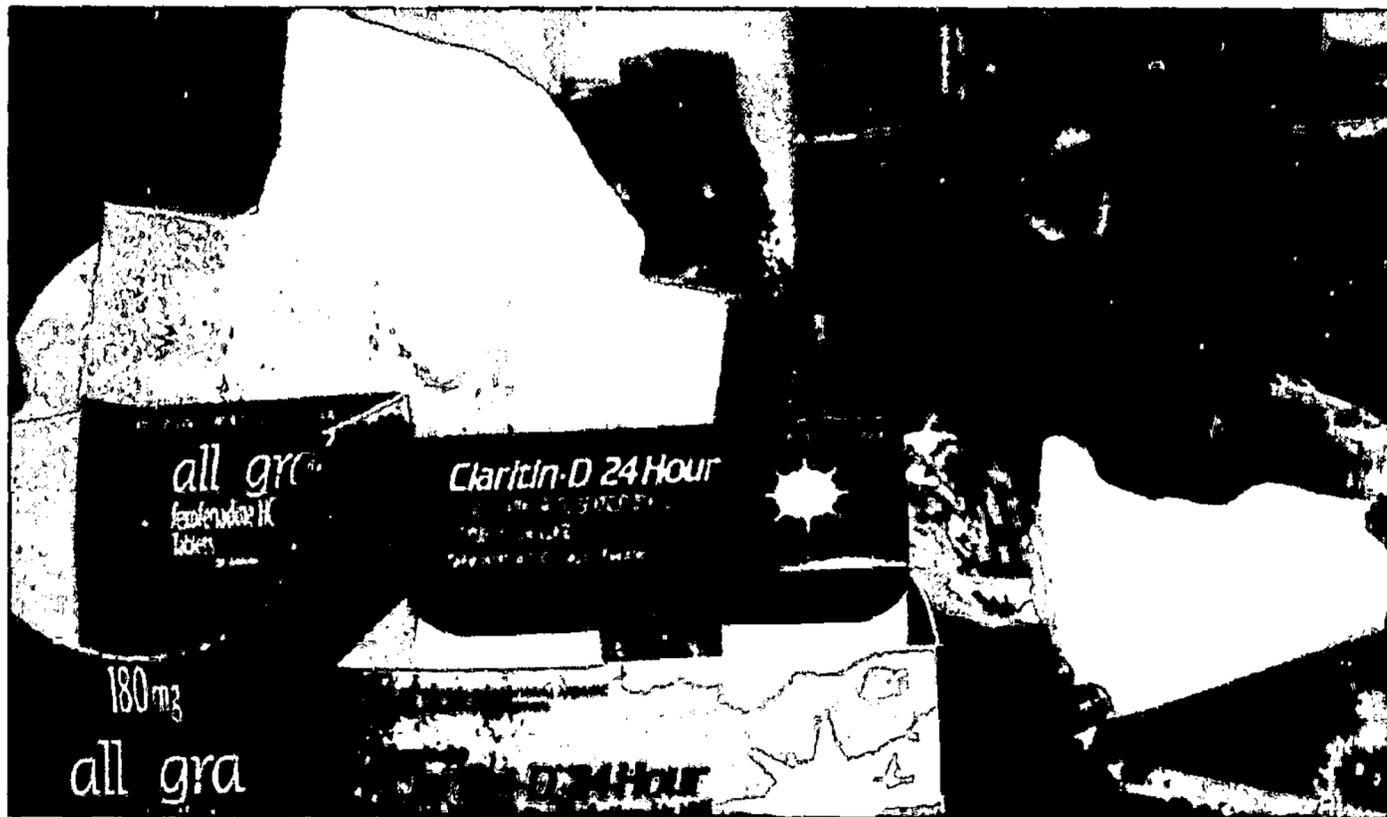
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“Moisture in the air helps too because it keeps pollen down.”

— Marilyn Nishitani, nurse practitioner



Dianne Stallings/staff

Rosa Lueras, medical assistant at the Immediate Care Clinic in the Sierra Mall, reaches over a stack of tissue boxes and allergy medications to offer a sample.

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furnace.

“Moisture in the air helps too because it keeps pollen down,” she said.

A home remedy she recommends for sufferers consists of using saline or salt water by nose drop at bedtime, which eliminates the drainage at the back of the throat. Another option is to gargle salt water.

“Short of those things, they need medication to help treat the condition,” she said. “I like nasal spray as the first line of attack, because it stops the allergy from going into the ears and seems to help the

eyes. But I’m not talking about over-the-counter treatments, which if used more than three days can cause secondary problems. I would recommend a nasal steroid prescription.”

She advocates using the prescription allergy medicines Allegra and Claritin.

“If one doesn’t do it, the other one usually does,” she said.

A decongestant also is handy to run the extra fluid through the body that is produced by the allergy.

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Thin air has no effect on need for exercise

by Wes Schwengels • Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Don't let the high altitude and thin air fool you.

Whether you're simply looking to drop a few pounds or trying to prevent heart disease or bone loss, physical activity is key to achieving your goals.

"All kinds of exercise are still good for you," said Steven Hightower, president of the Ruidoso Athletic Club.

According to an extensive 1999 report from the Surgeon General's office on physical activity and health, exercise can prevent weight gain and, with a healthy diet, can take off excess pounds.

But weight maintenance is just one of many positive effects from exercise. According to the Surgeon General's report, everything from osteoporosis to depression can be relieved by physical activity.

The good news for many people in this busy world is that they don't have to go to the gym three days a week to reap the benefits.

"One of the best exercises in the world is a brisk walk," Hightower said.

Of course, cardiovascular and resistance training, which can be done at most health clubs, add more

positives to your health. Also, faster and safer results can usually be achieved under the guidance of a fitness professional.

But what role does high altitude play in physical activity? Hightower says that exercise should fit the person more than where they live.

He said it takes the body about three weeks to adjust to a higher altitude. "It shouldn't prevent anybody of any age from exercising," Hightower said.

Someone looking to simply lose a couple inches off the waist would require a different type of program than someone looking to bulk up on muscle mass.

There are exceptions, of course, most of which come with youth. Hightower said younger children should not get on a weightlifting program.

"They don't want to lift weights until the body is fully developed. Around (age) 14," he said.

Aerobic exercise is particularly effective for the elderly, although Hightower said some weight lifting can greatly improve the muscular and skeletal health of older men. Exercise can

improve and maintain blood flow and strength, as well as improve bone density, as has been recently discovered.

There are three health clubs in town: the Ruidoso Athletic Club, located at 415 Wingfield Street; Curves For Women, at 721 Mechem Drive in the Sierra Mall; and the Southwest

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"One of the best exercises in the world is a brisk walk."

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Stay aware while in the outdoors

by Wes Schwengels • Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Ruidoso may not get hotter than 100 degrees or colder than 0 too often, but weather-related injuries and afflictions are still a real threat.

The thin air of the Ruidoso area increases the chances of sunburn for summer visitors and residents. Sunburn is a painful skin condition which occurs as a result of overexposure to the ultraviolet rays of the sun.

Infants and children are especially sensitive to the condition, and while people with fair hair and skin are more susceptible, dark and black skin can also burn.

The sun's rays are strongest during the hours of 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and reflective surfaces, such as water, snow and sand, can intensify the rays. First and second degree burns can be sustained from sun exposure.

Sunburns and even "healthy" tans can also lead to skin cancer later in life, as well as premature aging of the skin. Cataracts may also form on the eyes due to years of sun exposure.

Skin may be red, tender, warm to the touch, swollen, or blistered due to sunburn. Severe reactions may

occur and include fever, chills, nausea or rash.

To treat sunburn, apply cool baths or compresses for 10 to 15 minutes several times daily. Baking soda in a bath may ease pain. Soothing lotions and over-the-counter pain relievers, like Tylenol, may help, and physicians may prescribe a steroid cream to treat severe sunburn.

Do not apply petroleum jelly or over-the-counter creams containing benzocaine to the burn. Also, do not wash burned skin with harsh soap.

To prevent sunburn, avoid sun exposure during peak hours, use sunscreen with an SPF of at least 15 half an hour before sun exposure, wear sunglasses with UV protection and use a lip balm with sunscreen.

Being a mountain town, conditions such as hypothermia and frostbite can also be concerns.

Hypothermia occurs when the body's temperature drops below 97 degrees. Stages include impending hypothermia (96-97 degrees), where shivering will begin, muscles will tense up, and the skin can become pale and feel numb.

In cases of moderate hypothermia (95-93 degrees), shivering slows down due to restriction of blood vessels. Movement is very uncomfortable, slurred speech and poor balance can be detected and breathing may begin to become shallow. Confusion, apathy and drowsiness also set in.

Severe hypothermia occurs when body temperature drops below 93 degrees. The victim has no strength and wants nothing more than to go to sleep. The skin will appear blue or gray in color and will be cold. As unconsciousness sets in, the pupils will become dilated. The key to

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survival for a person in this state is getting him to a medical facility where he can be properly warmed. Field warming should be avoided, as improper treatment could lead to serious medical problems, possibly resulting in heart failure.

Treatment for impending and mild hypothermia includes getting to a warm, dry environment and out of windy conditions and wet clothes. Ingesting warm, sweet, non-alcoholic fluids or high-energy foods can help, as can blankets and sleeping bags.

With moderate hypothermia, the victim should be bundled up and taken out of the cold. Cover the victim's head, as 50 percent of heat loss goes through the head and neck. Medical attention should be sought out, even if a full field recovery is achieved.

In cases of severe hypothermia, do not rub skin or move joints. Be gentle and supportive. If loss of consciousness occurs, monitor the victim's breathing and pulse carefully. Perform CPR only if breathing or pulse stops.

To prevent hypothermia:

- Don't drink alcoholic beverages. This only increases heat loss.
- Eat carbohydrate-loaded energy foods and drink plenty of warm fluids. Avoid heavy meals that cause blood to pool in the digestive system.
- If headed for the outdoors, have a plan and leave instructions with a

trusted friend or relative.

Frostbite is another concern in cold weather, and is a medical condition that can happen to anyone. It occurs when the skin and/or the tissue under the skin freezes and causes cell damage. This happens when skin is exposed to cold air, chemicals, like dry ice, or compressed gasses.

The affliction comes in three degrees:

- First degree, also called frost nip. Many people living in cold climates have had this, just as many people have had first-degree sunburn. Symptoms include numbed skin that has turned white. There is very little chance of blistering, infection or scarring.
 - Second degree, superficial frostbite. This is a serious medical condition that needs to be treated by a professional. The skin will be white or blue and will feel hard and frozen. Blistering is likely.
 - Third degree, deep frostbite. The skin is white, blotchy and/or blue. The tissue underneath is hard and frozen to the touch. This is a life-threatening injury and needs treatment from a medical professional. The tissue under the skin has been damaged, and in severe cases, amputation may be necessary to prevent infection. Blistering will happen.
- Frostbite can occur in as little as 30 seconds in extreme conditions, faster in the case of chemical

injuries. Factors like wind chill, alcohol consumption, altitude, being wet or damp and length of exposure to cold all impact how quickly it occurs and how severe it will be.

Field treatment is possible, but, except in minor cases, medical help should be sought. Do not refreeze an afflicted area once it has been treated. While treating, also check for signs of hypothermia. Never field-treat third-degree frostbite.

To relieve frostbite, get out of the cold and wind. Warm the affected areas slowly, and start at the extremities, working your way in (toes to feet, etc.),

using warm breath or by tucking hands or feet inside warm clothing next to bare, warm flesh.

For broader frostbite, keep the area elevated and wrap it in warmed blankets. If possible, immerse in warm water for 15 to 30 minutes. Do not rub or massage frostbitten areas.

To prevent frostbite:

- Understand prevailing weather conditions. Air temperature and wind affect how quickly frostbite occurs.
- Wear layers of clothing and protect exposed skin from the elements. Cotton should be avoided in situations where you might get wet.

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Smoking, obesity main threats to heart

by Sandy Suggitt • Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Heart disease is the leading cause of death in the United States, according to the American Heart Association, and for Dr. Christopher Robinson, an internist with Lincoln County Medical Center, heart attacks are the most common ailment in this area.

"The main problems of the heart are due to smoking, obesity and unrecognized or untreated hypertension," Robinson said. He defines hypertension as high blood pressure, with systolic blood pressure

above 140 or a diastolic blood pressure above 85.

Robinson said tobacco abuse and obesity are the leading causes of heart problems in his patients.

"Tobacco has adverse effects on the heart and

other organ systems and can increase atherosclerosis," Robinson said.

"Obesity can increase the likelihood of atherosclerotic lesions in the heart and can also enhance our probability of getting dia-

betes, which would be adversarial to the heart. Hypertension can cause stress on the heart muscle, which can lead to heart failure, kidney failure, stroke and increased risk of heart attacks."

Robinson said he has seen more problems with obesity over the past sever-

al years and attributes it to a more sedentary lifestyle and to people consuming more calories. Although there is an increased awareness of healthy eating, he said, "unfortunately,

"Tobacco has adverse effects on the heart and other organ systems and can increase atherosclerosis."

— Dr. Christopher Robinson, LCMC internist

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Sandy Suggitt/staff

David Boehm works out at the Ruidoso Athletic Club three or four times a week and exercises outside the rest of the time, one of the many things people can do to strengthen and protect their hearts.



Wes Schwengels/staff

Three area athletic clubs offer many exercise options, including aerobics classes.

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there are too many 'biggy' size happy meals at McDonald's and what not and the calories at all those are excessive."

Cardiovascular disease is the culprit in more than 41 percent of all deaths in the United States, according to the American Heart Association, killing nearly 959,227 people in 1996. But that mortality rate is half what it was in the early 1960s, according to the American College of Cardiology. This change is due to better treatments and a healthier lifestyle. With clot dissolvers and angioplasty, about 97

percent of patients who suffer heart attacks survive, compared with one in four chances of survival 50 years ago.

Because of the large proportion of retired people in Lincoln County, Robinson said this area has a higher rate of hypertension and heart disease. His advice:

"Absolutely quit smoking. If you have high blood pressure, you take the medications to keep it under control and you do your best to exercise and follow a good diet and get down to your appropriate body weight," he said.

Robinson recommends any kind of exercise at all.

"Walking is excellent, especially around here, just to say you're getting out to do it is what you need to do," he said.

A book put out by Presbyterian Senior Heart Center, "Two Billion Beats: A Comprehensive Guide to the Senior Heart," is available free by calling (888) 381-8781.

There are no cardiologists in Ruidoso, but Dr. Michael Harding from Presbyterian Heart Group sees patients once a month at Lincoln County Medical Center. People can obtain referrals through their primary care physician.

"The main problems of the heart are due to smoking, obesity and unrecognized or untreated hypertension."

— Dr. Christopher Robinson,
LCMC internist

Early consultation key to prenatal care

by Dianne Stallings • Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Seeing a physician in the early stages of a pregnancy can improve a woman's chances for a healthy delivery, says Kelly Arnett, certified nurse practitioner with the office of Dr. Deborah Hewitt.

"Early diagnosis leads to better care," she said, adding that studies have shown poorer outcomes when care begins late in a pregnancy. "We do a lot of prenatal testing, especially blood work, as early as eight weeks and all the way to delivery."

Good nutrition supplemented with prenatal vitamins are two more important steps.

She also recommends that first-timers take Lamaze classes to learn about the delivery procedure and what to expect, how to minimize and manage the associated pain and to meet the people in the hospital who will be monitoring and attending during and after the deliv-

"Early diagnosis leads to better care."

— Kelly Arnett,
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ery.

"It's good to become familiar with the people and the place so everything isn't so new," she said.

Couples also learn about cardiopulmonary resuscitation for infants and options for pain-reducing medications during delivery.

By consulting early with a physician, conditions such as diabetes and high blood pressure can be monitored closely. Arnett said while a general practitioner can handle low-risk pregnancy, she would recommend seeing an obstetrics specialist for those with high risks.

At 15 weeks, the physician will check for neural tube defects and Down's Syndrome. Exercises can be recommended based on the prior physician condition of the woman.

Arnett said it's important to ask questions. Answering those questions is one reason the physician is there.

Theresa Luna with the Lincoln County Public Health Clinic in Ruidoso, said her office also offers program to help mothers after a baby is born to ensure they have access to proper nutrition and the baby receives recommended immunizations.

"Keeping them on sched-

ule with immunizations is very important," she said. "Without protection, they're at high risk for getting childhood diseases."

For women without private doctors and who don't qualify for Medicaid or are undocumented residents, the public health clinic also offers prenatal care, Luna said.

Some tips for pregnant women include:

- No more hot baths or strenuous exercising. They can raise the body temperature and cause birth defects, especially in the first trimester. Lukewarm baths and moderate exercise such as walking, low-

impact aerobics and light weight training is fine.

- Don't smoke, don't drink, use illegal drugs or take any medication not prescribed by a physician who knows you're pregnant. Cigarettes and alcohol can cause serious health problems including miscarriages, low weight babies and premature delivery. Drugs can cause a baby to be born with an addiction or deformities.

- Use gloves, a mask and good ventilation if your job requires exposure to chemicals and fumes, or if you are around animal fecal matter such as cat litter boxes.



Dianne Stallings/staff

Theresa Luna of the Lincoln County Public Health office in Ruidoso takes information from Natalia Navarro to set up her prenatal care.

Diabetes a concern for all ages, histories

by Dianne Stallings • Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Lynn Ardizzone refused to believe her doctor when he told her she suffered from diabetes.

"There's never been diabetes in my family," she said. "I wouldn't believe it and went on for another year not believing it, then my eyes started doing funny things."

Initially, she took pills and watched her diet, but after a minor surgery, left the hospital on insulin.

For Linda Berglund, a family history full of diabetes prompted her to watch for symptoms and to take steps to reduce her chances – at least as much as her genes will allow.

"It's not just a disease of blood sugar, because you will have a multi-system failure if the diabetes is not controlled," she said. "One of the things that have to be treated aggressively is hypertension. The standard now is that your blood pressure should be 130/85 or

"Blurry vision is what brings a lot of people to the doctor."

— Linda Berglund, Former diabetes counselor

less."

Uncontrolled, constricting blood vessels could ruin kidneys and result in a stroke, she said.

"Blurry vision is what brings a lot of people to the doctor," said Berglund, who used to teach classes on living with diabetes. Other symptoms include excessive thirst, frequent urination, fatigue and slow-healing sores. Large babies can indicate gestational diabetes, but the most common types are juvenile onset (Type One) and adult onset (Type Two).

The genetic ability to store fats and use them as reserves when times are lean was an advantage when people only lived to be 40 or 50 years old, she said. But as the population in the United States grows older, physicians are seeing a tremendous increase in diabetes. Type Two also is beginning to show up in younger people who grew up eating fast foods and not exercising, Berglund said.

"Eat a low-fat, high fiber diet and avoid concentrated sweets," she said.

"Essentially, eat a healthy meal, exercise for 30 minutes every day and see your physician regularly."

Studies in the United States and Great Britain

show that complications from diabetes could be reduced by as much as 60 percent with a healthy diet, she said. Combination eating such as a salad with pasta slows the absorption of sugar into the system, she said. Fresh fruits and vegetables are best, but if canned or frozen are used, be sure to rinse them.

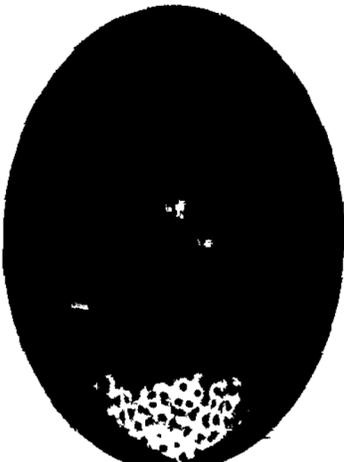
If your blood sugar is up, drink a lot of water to help

flush the kidneys, she said. Blood sugar is highest two hours after a meal.

Diabetes is especially severe among Native American populations. In recognition of that fact, a dialysis wing is planned as part of an elderly assisted living, nursing home complex proposed by the Mescalero Apache on their reservation south of Ruidoso.

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Many ways to feel better about arthritis

by Dianne Stallings • Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Aching hands in the morning, stiffness or swelling of joints that persists for more than two weeks could mean arthritis.

If that's the diagnosis from your physician, don't stop there. More than 100 types of arthritis have been identified, each requiring different treatment, according to information from the Arthritis Foundation.

As with most diseases or conditions, early diagnosis is important, because early treatment often means less joint damage and less pain.

Treatment may include a combination of medication, weight management, exercise, use of heat or cold packs and methods of protecting your joints from further damage.

The foundation offered the following tips:

- Avoid excess stress on joints. Use larger or stronger joints to carry things. Assistive devices also help.
- Listening to upbeat music can help lighten a person's mood and help them forget the pain for awhile.
- Exercise helps lessen pain, increases range of

movement and reduces fatigue. Your physician or specially trained health specialists can help with range of motion and strengthening exercises.

- For a healthy treat, choose orange juice. Recent research shows the importance of vitamin C and other antioxidants in reducing the risk of osteoarthritis and its progression. Oranges also contain folic acid that alleviates side effects of some arthritis drugs and reduces cardiovascular disease in women with lupus.

- New drugs are being approved. If yours isn't working or has unwanted side effects, ask about other choices.

- Be careful in the sun, wear a hat and sunscreen and sunglasses. Some forms of arthritis, and some medications, may leave a patient vulnerable to the sun's harmful rays.

- Lose weight to lessen the stress on joints and add calcium sources to your diet, such as yogurt, cheese and ice cream.

- Stretching is a simple way to keep joints and muscles flexible. The foundation offers a free brochure on easy exercises. Hiking also burns calo-

ries, strengthens muscles and builds denser bones and can be done without jarring any of the fragile joints.

- Exercising in water can build strength and increase range of motion while the water's buoyancy reduces wear and tear on sore joints.

- Stop smoking. It can increase the risk of compli-

cations from rheumatoid arthritis.

Foundation officials also recommend caution in using supplements and they offer a free guide to help weed out unsubstantiated claims.

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Geriatrics hit home in Lincoln County

by Keith Green • Ruidoso News Staff Writer

With an over-65 population about 1.5 times the state average, and growing, Lincoln County's medical community has many family practitioners and a number of medical specialists.

But only one of those medical doctors specializes in care of the aging — or geriatrics.

He is Dr. Michael Clements, whose office is in Ruidoso's Lincoln Tower on Mechem Drive. His certificate of qualification as a geriatrician is issued by the American Board of Family Practice, and is based on additional study and board testing.

By the numbers, Dr. Clements said, his specialty is simply medical care for those more than 65 years of age. But, actually, the specialty is "the study of successful aging."

"People don't get old, they get sick," he said.

He believes those area residents beyond their middle years are, by and large, healthy people, and the 2000 Census appears to bear that out.

At that time, 17.9 percent of the county's population was age 65 or older, compared with a statewide percentage of 11.7 percent.

A total of 2,222 individu-

als counted, or 11.4 percent, were between 65 and 74 years of age. Another 1,246 (or about 6.4 percent) were 75 years and older.

Dr. Clements believes these people are "living well," and his goal is to help them continue to do so — not absolutely to prolong life, but "to assure the best quality of life possible." The distinction, he said, is in determining what is normal and what is disease then diagnosing and treating the disease.

Loss of function with added years is not aging, it's disease. And that fence between the two can be narrowed by repairing tissue, he said. Preventive medicine is a key, as is the management of pain.

Dr. Clements is "almost" a Ruidoso native. He was born in Oregon, but because his father was a forester with the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the family moved frequently. One such move brought them to Mescalero. Young Michael Clements attended Mescalero schools and Ruidoso High School. He was a member of the RHS class of 1969.

He attended the University of New Mexico School of Medicine, gradu-

ating in 1978, then served a residency in Los Angeles.

That led to 15 years of practice in the city.

But Dr. Clements had married a Ruidoso girl, Delana Phillips, and when her father (Carmon Phillips, who operated The Old Mill for many years) developed health problems, they returned to Ruidoso.

"And, I have to admit,

Ruidoso had an appeal after many years in Los Angeles," Dr. Clements said. "Medical practice there changed, too."

He noted that the view of aging also has changed over the years. "Twenty years ago, people believed anybody who reached 70 had beaten the odds. Today, those 70-year-olds might have a good 20 years ahead of them."



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Cancer treatment has improved greatly

by Sandy Suggitt • Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Lincoln County has the second highest cancer incidence rate in New Mexico, second only to Los Alamos County said Christie Anderson of the American Cancer Society's Southwest Division in Albuquerque.

Anderson said the retired population in the area is probably the cause for the high cancer rate.

The Oncology Department at Lincoln County Medical Center is composed of Maury St. John and Mariella Levinson, oncology nurses, and an oncologist from Albuquerque, Barbara McAneny, M.D., comes once a month to see patients.

St. John, who is department manager, said they gave 135 chemotherapy treatments in January.

"It's not just IV infusions as people think," St. John said. "We have support treatments for keeping the immune system up and sometimes we give fluids ... We do a lot of our own blood draws on our patients because cancer patients have special access problems."

Cancer patients have varying requirements for chemotherapy treatments,

some requiring treatments five times a week for three weeks, then a week of rest, and others requiring treatments once a day for 21 days or once a week.

"Support drugs are one of the greatest things that have come about in the cancer field," St. John said. "Twenty years ago, everybody would come to the hospital in isolation, at death's door, because their immune systems were so low that any slight germ or bug could actually be life threatening to them."

Support drugs, usually in the form of injections, stimulate the bone marrow to make more white blood cells, so the body is able to respond to any kind of microorganism the patient could come into contact with that might be life threatening, she said.

The room where treatments are given has a cozy, homey feel, with a reclining chair and cards and letters on the walls. Levinson said that's because receiving the treatments is a lot less arduous than it used to be.

"People get their chemo treatments and they're ready to go," Levinson said. "We're working around their lifestyles.

They come in in their ski clothes."

One patient of Levinson's came in after chemotherapy looking as if she hadn't lost any hair, but she explained that she'd matched her hair to a wig before she started the treatments.

"As they're losing their hair, chemotherapy is

working in the follicles, so they're losing hair because it's working," she said.

About 6,000 New Mexicans are diagnosed with cancer each year, and about 2,700 residents die from the disease, according to a publication of the American Cancer Society, "New Mexico Cancer Facts & Figures 2000-2001."



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by Sandy Suggitt • Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Leonore Fragua is the only substance abuse counselor at The Counseling Center, and because of the number of people mandated by courts to undergo counseling, she doesn't do one-on-one counseling.

"It's very seldom that there's a volunteer," she said. "Nobody's going to volunteer to come in for services because they think they don't need it."

Fragua said she has about 100 clients, most of whom come to 12-week group counseling sessions, with a few private clients. At the end of 12 weeks, those who have attended all the meetings receive a certificate.

Most of her clients come for alcohol problems, she said, with "a few drugs here and there." The majority are between 20 and 40 years

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of age, and males outnumber females.

"We don't refuse anybody," Fragua said. "We have some people from the construction business who refer their people here because they have a rule that they have to be sober."

The Counseling Center only takes clients age 18 and up. The juvenile justice system has people working with teenagers. But Fragua began going to Lincoln County Detention Center last year to facilitate group treatment sessions for inmates there. For them, the groups are voluntary. Fragua opens up the groups to anyone there at the time and, on average, about 12 people participate in the sessions. The Counseling Center is also called at times to do crisis

intervention when someone on drugs or alcohol has been detained and needs help.

"When they first come in, I assess them and categorize what they're using and how bad - what their major problem is. Then I usually have them in groups because it's easier to communicate with them than one-on-one sessions and they communicate with each other. That's how they learn."

The therapy starts at the physical level, Fragua said. Depending on how much they're drinking or using other drugs, they may have physical problems.

"At the beginning, they're trying to find out how they can work with themselves to feel better physically. Then they move on to how the substance

abuse has affected them emotionally ... there may be family issues to deal with that lead to depression."

The group sessions deal next with social issues, how substance abusers get along with other people, how they communicate with others.

"After relationships, they deal with spirituality. It's the first to go and the last to come back," Fragua said.

The process takes at least 90 days, she said: The first 30 days to quit; the second 30 days for their thinking to begin to clear up; and the last 30 days "when they're ready to tackle this and can say, 'I think I'm ready.'"

Fragua said that for most of her clients, alcohol was the first drug, and even when other drugs are at issue, it's almost always

in conjunction with alcohol. Alcohol was the primary substance of abuse in 33.1 percent of all substance abuse treatment admissions in New Mexico, as reported by the Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration of the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services.

Fragua said substance abusers "get hung up with yesterdays a lot ... and have to learn how to process the pain out of their system."

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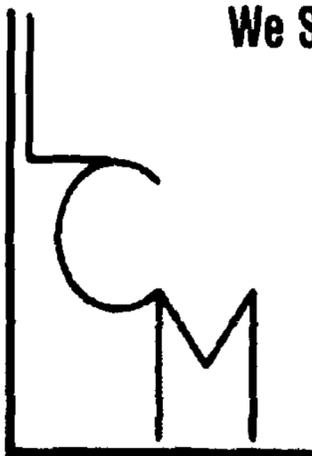
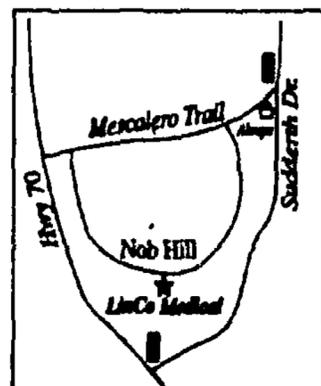
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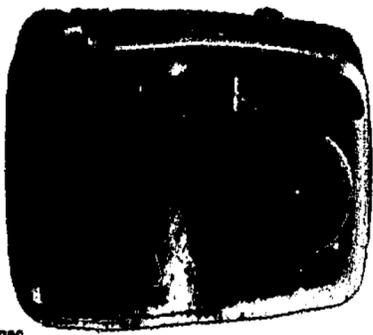
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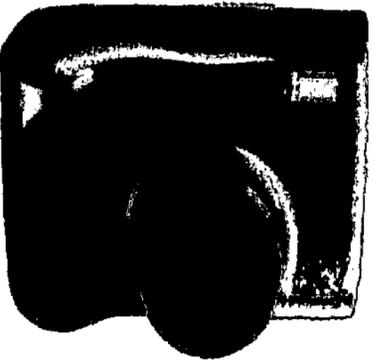
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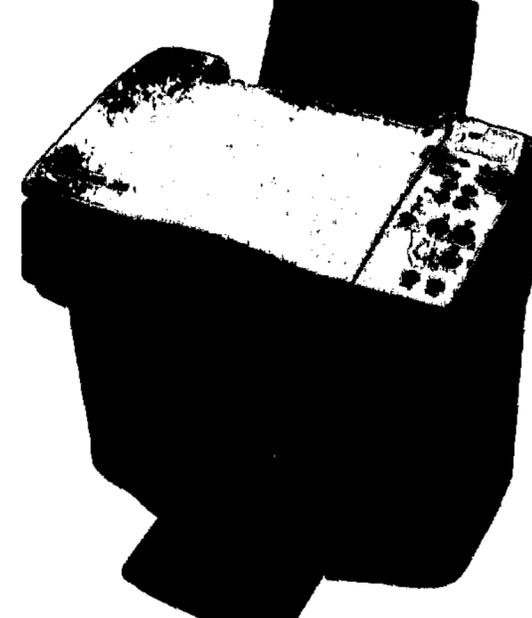
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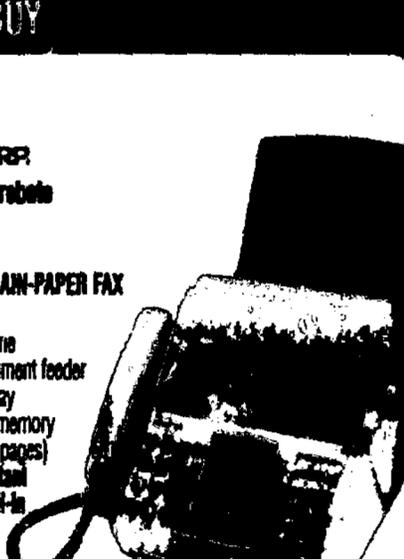
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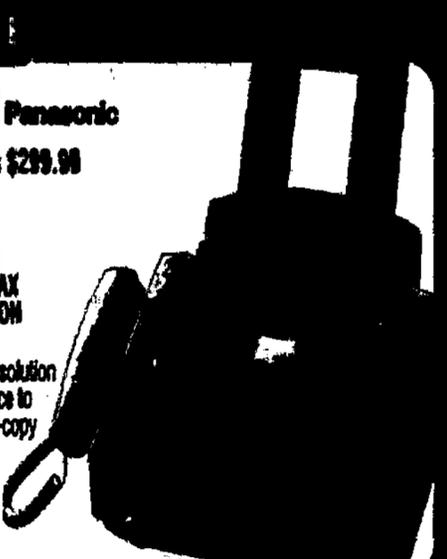


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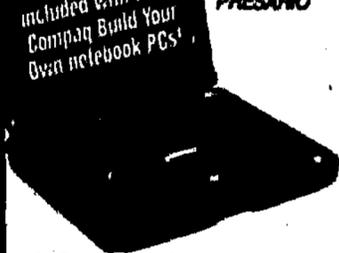
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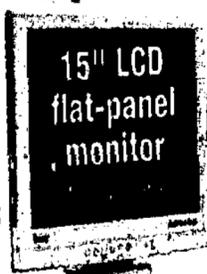
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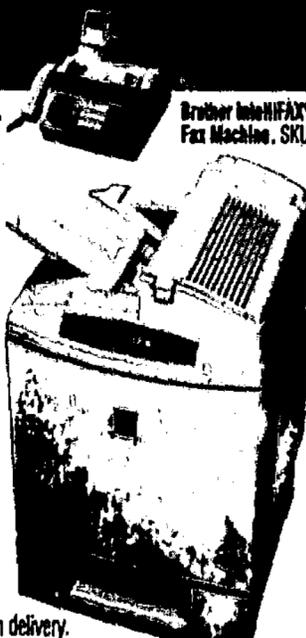
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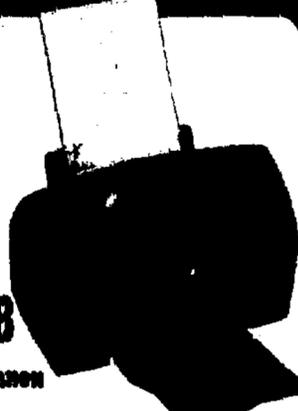
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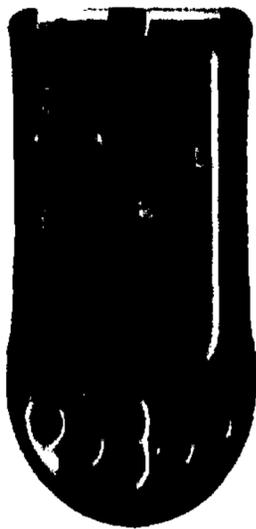
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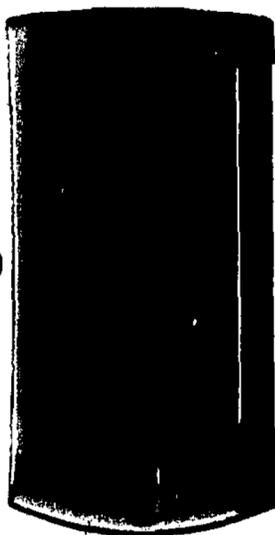
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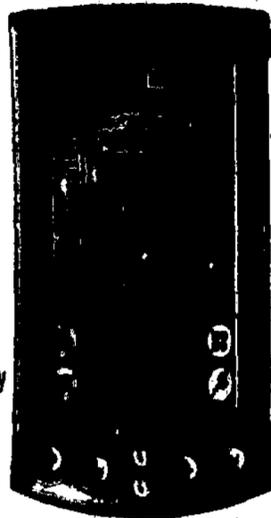
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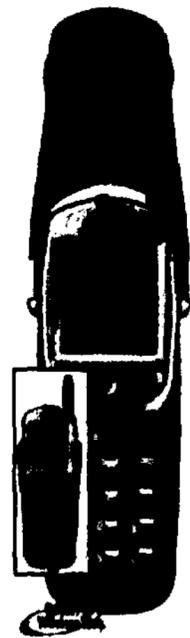
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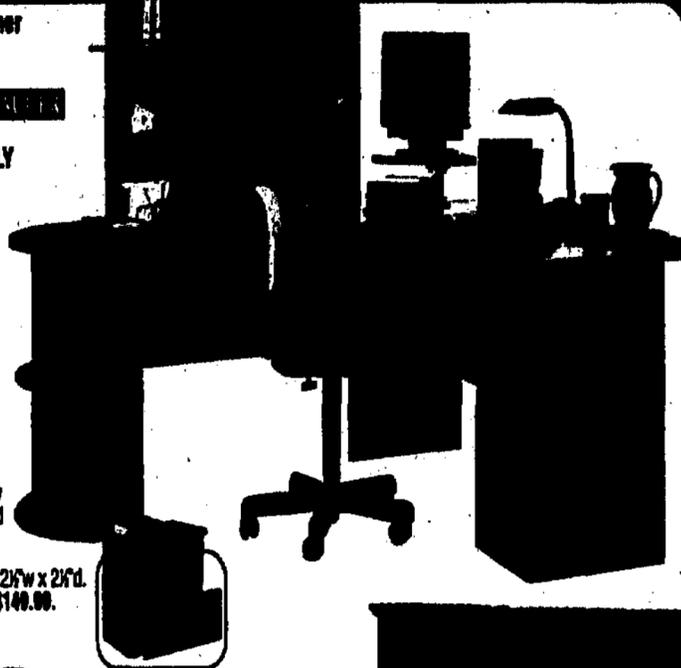
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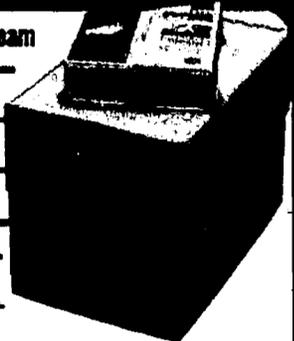
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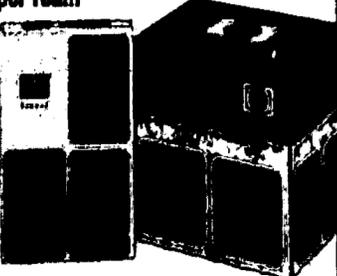
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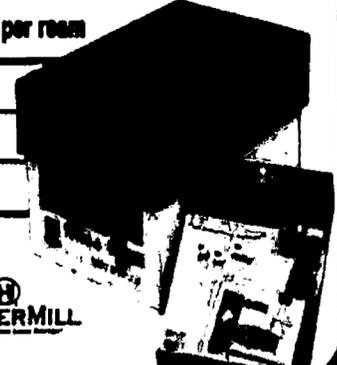
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