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## Smoking ordinance gets nixed by council

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Light up. After an hour and a half of listening to proponents and opponents of an ordinance to limit and in some cases, ban smoking in public places, members of the Ruidoso Village Council decided Tuesday they don't want to tell business owners how to run their stores, restaurants and bars.

Asking to initiate a smoking ban was former councilor Bill Chance and members of a youth group called HARD-CORE. They cited statistics about illnesses and deaths caused by breathing second-hand smoke and about businesses that improved after implementing a no smoking policy.

Chance said bars not serving food would be exempt and that owners of affected businesses would have the option of creating a physically separated and ventilated area for smokers.

Resident Joan Zagone read a letter from former councilor Linda Flack, who once tried for a smoking ban, but decided only a grassroots effort initiated by residents would succeed.

**HARD-CORE** provided those grassroots and members collected more than 600 signatures backing the move, she wrote.

A smoker for 20 years, she understands why people think they have the right to smoke, she wrote.

"But I do not feel smokers have the right to cause harm to others around them," she said. "When people in my generation started smoking, we didn't realize the harm we were causing, but now we do and there's no excuse."

Chance said cities such as Boulder and Aspen in Colorado have passed no smoking in public places laws,

as has Doña Ana County.

More than 30 people spoke on the issue, but opponents convinced council members not to proceed with a public hearing on a draft ordinance.

The mayor tried diplomatically on several occasions to limit the discussion, but deferred to councilors who said they wanted to hear all of the arguments on both sides. During one heated exchange between opposing sides, Eggleston mentioned that he stated using a nicotine patch Saturday, then added, "But boy, do I want one (cigarette) right now."

**"During the Kokopelli Fire, people inhaled more second hand smoke than if 100 cigarettes were lit up..."**

Charles Jones  
Physician

doesn't allow his children to visit his businesses, but he allows smoking in designated areas at both places.

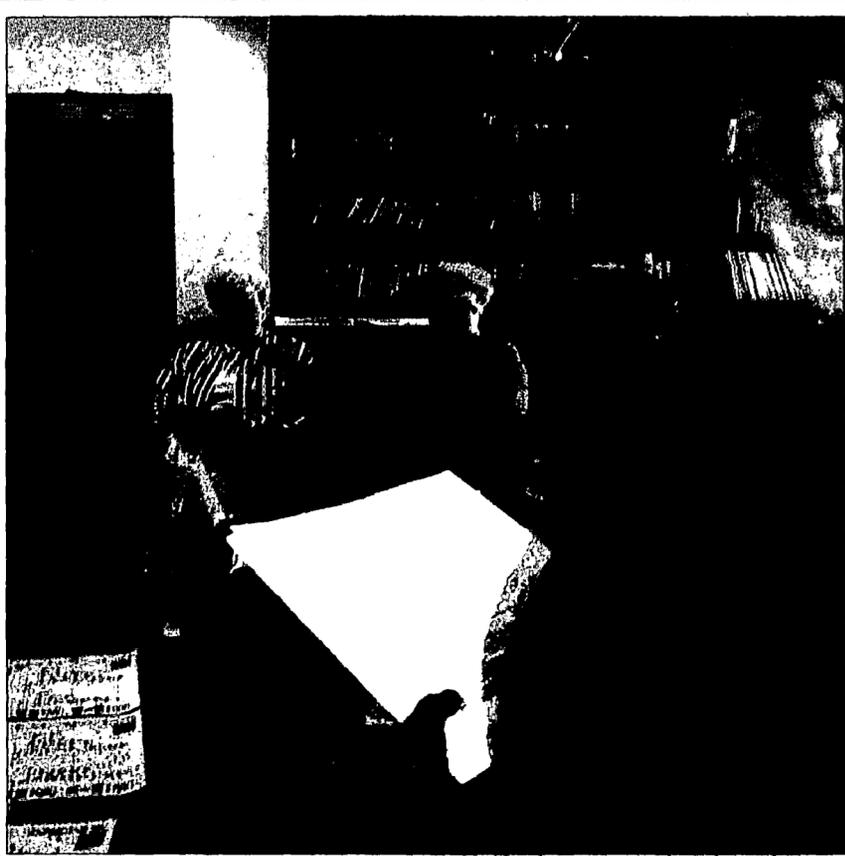
Gary Garrett said with current restrictions on fire in the village, people can't smoke outside. If the council eliminates restaurants and other businesses, smokers will only be able to puff in their homes or in cars with the windows rolled up.

Pam Cromwell, who publishes an arts magazine, said a private business owner has a right to decide what goes on in his business within reason.

"I smoke. But I don't mind a ban. I don't consider it an infringement on my rights, but I do of business owners," she said.

Others pointed out that because smokers are a minority can step on them. Physician Charles Jones said people have the right to make bad decisions about their health.

See **SMOKE**, page 7A



Martha Proctor, Lincoln County Clerk, goes over some of the rules for the June primary election with poll workers being trained at the Ruidoso Senior Center, where early voting is being conducted.

DIANNE STALLINGS/STAFF

## Moving the vote

Redistricting changes have scattered voters across the county

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

With 10 different ballots to juggle for the June 4 primary and a list of new polling places in Ruidoso, Lincoln County Clerk Martha Proctor expressed cautious optimism that voting will go smoothly.

One of her bigger worries is the pile of about 1,500 new voter registration cards returned this week because people have moved and not changed their addresses, have left the area or died.

The new cards are essential because with redistricting, many people will be voting in different places than the last election and

may fall within a different district for state representative, the Public Regulatory Commission or the county commission.

Just in case people in Ruidoso don't notice the change of polling place clearly spelled out on their cards, Proctor said she will station someone at the Ruidoso Convention Center — where all precincts in town used to vote — to direct them to their new polling places.

The center no longer is available for elections.

Redistricting also resulted in the formation of subprecincts in Ruidoso that will send voters to four different schools and the senior center to cast their ballots.

See **VOTE**, page 12A

## Vote doesn't change hospital mill levies

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Lynn Ardizzone left the Lincoln County Commission meeting Thursday with a smile on her face and a feeling of satisfaction that she had fought for the community's hospital.

As head of the auxiliary for the county-owned Lincoln County Medical Center, she came to the meeting with other members to ask com-

missioners not to reduce the amount of a special property tax levy allocated each year to the hospital in Ruidoso and three rural health clinics. Voters reapproved the levy two years ago, but commissioners have the authority to levy less than the established amount.

Ardizzone walked away with assurances the levy would stay at 3 mills and not be cut in half as recommended

See **LEVIES**, page 12A

## Military complex coming

Training range set for development outside of Tinnie

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

An 8,000-acre tactical weapons and defense training complex designed for members of the military, law enforcement, government agencies and allied forces is being developed by a company based in Roswell.

Representatives of High Energy Access Tools Corp. said Thursday that the company is scheduled to close Monday on the land purchase north of Tinnie in eastern Lincoln County. Plans call for the training range complex to open in June.

Mike Payne, deputy director, and Frank Fish, director of security, said HEAT was founded in Casper, Wyo., in 1997 and is a nationally-known defense contractor and specialty training development company. The firm moved to the Roswell Industrial Air Center because it fit the needs of its client.

"Technological changes occur overnight," Payne said. Only private companies have the flexibility to keep up and modify training to fit new gear and approaches, he said.

"Often agencies rely on manuals and don't have the budget to seek outside assistance," he said. "We train in current 'off-the-shelf' products and fully understand their capabilities, uses and requirements."

The closing of military bases has reduced needed terrain for different branches of the service to train their soldiers. The company can provide that land and expertise, he said.

See **RANGE**, page 11A

## ON THE CAMPAIGN TRAIL



Rick Lopez, left, Republican candidate for state Public Lands Commissioner, and Rory McMinn, incumbent District 2 Public Regulatory Commission representative, listen to the viewpoint of a woman at the party-sponsored debate Monday. Related stories are on pages 7A and 11A of today's paper.

DIANNE STALLINGS/STAFF

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# Valor: DSL is ready

## High-speed service available to village and surrounding areas

Valor Telecom, the area telecommunications service provider, has completed installation of a new switch in Ruidoso at a cost of more than \$3 million, which the company said should handle service growth for up to 15 years.

Beyond processing phone calls and computer traffic, the switch is equipped to provide high-speed broadband access to Internet services, as well as features such as Caller ID, call-waiting, call-forwarding, three-way calling and voice mail.

The EWSD Tandem Switch, manufactured by Siemens, also serves the Ruidoso Downs, White Mountain and Alto areas as the main processor of telephone and data traffic over Valor's network.

Valor media relations official David Duran said DSL service is now available to residents and businesses through local Internet providers, including ZiaNet. He said an external modem is available to order at Valor's local store or by phone. The cheapest broadband service starts at \$30 per month.

Chris Valdez, vice president for New Mexico operations, said the planning, engineering, manufacture and installation of the new equipment has taken more than a year and has involved as many as 40 technicians to complete.

"The successful installation required highly technical and coordinated efforts in order to seamlessly convert our customers from the old switch to the new equipment with only minimal interruptions in service," he said.

D. F. "Duffy" Swan, vice president of policy and law for Valor, said that when the company took over operations from GTE less than two years ago, "we started with outdated, worn facilities and no calling features, but with a commit-

ment to make substantial improvements."

Swan said that in 20 months, "Valor has doubled its work force in the Ruidoso area to 20 employees, opened a retail store and service center, introduced a full complement of calling features, installed a new switch and now we're ready to provide Digital Subscriber Line (DSL) high-speed broadband Internet access."

That service is available now in the Ruidoso core area, Swan said. Capitan subscribers now have all call services, but DSL must await some additional equipment, Swan said. However, a recent Valor-Dish Satellite agreement makes high speed Internet access available for more areas. "It's really a question of pricing for the service," he said.

Ongoing projects include work to replace and reinforce outside plant facilities "that will increase reliability and add capacity to accommodate growth."

Swan said that when Valor announced it would be a telecommunications service provider in New Mexico, company officials made commitments to support rural economic development, "and we have worked hard to meet those commitments with our hiring and training of local people and investments in facilities and features that now provide the same services available in metropolitan areas."

Statewide, Swan said, "Valor has more than tripled its work force to 320 employees and will have invested nearly 470 million in capital improvements, payroll, benefits, employee training and equipment, such as new trucks, by the company's second anniversary, Sept. 1, 2002."

Valor in New Mexico also

provides service in the upper Rio Grande valley, centered around Española, the lower Rio Grande, around Truth or Consequences, Carlsbad and Hobbs and nearby areas.

Valor Telecommunications, LLC, also has operating subsidiaries in Texas and Oklahoma.



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### COMMUNITY BRIEFS

#### Affordable housing meet

A workshop meeting to discuss affordable housing issues is scheduled for 9 a.m. Monday in Ruidoso Village Hall. The session, open to the public was called by Mayor Leon Eggleston.

#### Downs budget meeting

A special public meeting concerning the Ruidoso Downs fiscal year 2002-03 budget will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. in the Village Hall Hubbard Room.

#### Humane Society meeting

The Humane Society of Lincoln County will hold its monthly meeting Monday at the Chamber of Commerce at 5:30 p.m. The society holds meetings

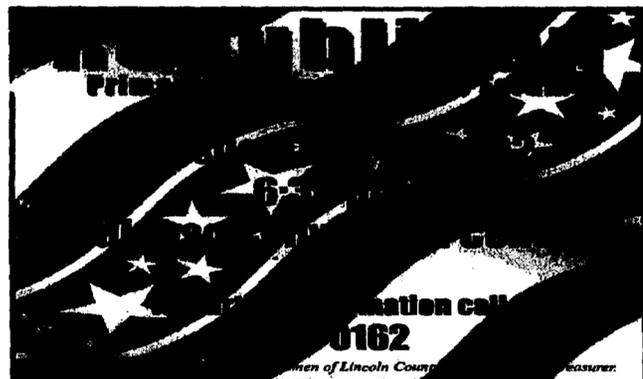
the third Monday of every month. For more information, call 257-0550.

#### Jazzercise schedule

Jazzercise in Ruidoso Downs, 1660 No. 2 East Highway 70, has announced a new schedule. Classes will be held at 8:30 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Friday, 5:30 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays and 4 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. For more information, call 378-2239.

#### Wellness workshop

Dr. Michael Spence will hold a wellness workshop from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Saturday at The Look, 700 Mechem, Suite 14.



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# Pearce wants local control of New Mexico education

BY FELIX CHAVEZ  
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Republican Steve Pearce said he believes in being a family man, believes in people and believes in New Mexico. The 54-year-old Pearce, who hails from the oil and basketball-rich town of Hobbs, is among five Republican candidates vying for New Mexico's 2nd Congressional District seat. "I'm able to articulate the issues and to fight for the issues for our constituents that will help us nationally," Pearce said during a recent interview in Las Cruces. Pearce said he has knowledge of several different issues of importance to the 2nd district, including water, the military and agriculture.

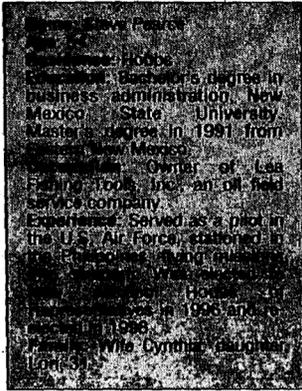
"I am the only veteran on the ballot," he said. "The main thing I have to offer is the leadership to bring people together to cause a solution to occur," Pearce said. "A lot of people see the problem, but it's the achieving the solutions that are important." Pearce's resume in the political arena began in 1996 when he was elected state representative in District 62. He was then re-elected in 1998 and served on the Appropriations and Finance Committee, and the Agriculture and Water Committee. In 1999, Pearce was chosen minority caucus chairman.

### Family and education

Pearce, who is married and has one daughter, said he feels

strongly about family and education, two topics that he said he would concentrate on if elected to Congress.

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# Anderson started in politics early, but still put family first

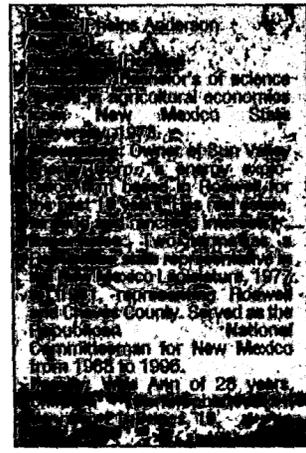
BY CHRISTOPHER SCHURTZ  
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Well before U.S. Rep. Joe Skeen, R-N.M., announced his retirement late last year, Phelps Anderson had traveled hundreds of miles on New Mexico roads campaigning as a Republican candidate for the 2nd Congressional District. He took a lot of heat from Skeen loyalists, who saw the move as disrespectful, even though Skeen's announcement that he would not seek re-election came as a surprise to few. Anderson explained recently, as he has numerous times since starting his run last February, that he was "not running against Joe Skeen." "Going into redistricting, I felt if I wanted to run a competitive

race I needed to get started," Anderson said. "We thought the lines might be redrawn and that we needed to develop an organization to be competitive in the new district." Anderson downplayed the impact of Skeen's endorsement of Republican candidate and restaurateur Ed Tinsley, though he said Tinsley is likely to benefit in raising funds. As a long-time friend of Skeen's, Anderson also expressed disappointment in the endorsement. Anderson was an early critic of Tinsley, questioning his residency in the district. Anderson said Tinsley's home and business addresses were in the Albuquerque area. "I think within the district is very important, even though, legally, it's not required,"

Anderson said.

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### OUR OPINION

## Where we stand on endorsements

Regardless, comment about issues always is welcome

In the interest of conservation of paper by letter writers, political publicists and such, this is a reminder on behalf of this newspaper that by policy we do not editorially endorse political office-seekers, nor do we publish letters to the editor endorsing candidates.

We do, however, welcome letters, or longer guest commentaries (from people with unusual expertise about the subject discussed), about issues of the day that might contribute to an ongoing political debate.

In other words, if you want to speculate about the relative merit of positions taken by two or more candidates — fine,

explain it, and it might be published in a letter.

But if your idea is to call Candidate "A" a dirty dog, as opposed to Candidate "B," who everybody knows is an outstanding example of enlightened political acumen and a total gentleman (or lady) besides — save it for door-to-door campaigning. Better yet, buy an advertisement.

Free-wheeling political debate, delivered with verve and attention to the facts, is one of the methods by which the electorate is informed.

The other kind is hardly worth the paper it's printed on...which, in a nutshell, means we won't print it.

## Enjoy the political change; it's spice by the numbers

Change is the spice of life, they say, and if that is one of those "true facts," these days we're so spiced up that we could pass for a well-basted Christmas turkey.

Change definitely is in the wind — politically, governmentally, and most certainly representatively.

It started, of course, with the 2000 Census, which redefined the political boundaries we'd lived with for 10, these many years. Suddenly, by government fiat and lots of input from the judiciary, we no longer necessarily could claim Dub Williams as our own representative to the Legislature in Santa Fe.

Suddenly, because of where we live, we'll be required to research some other people, incumbents or challengers. Not only that, but we must now try to determine what county commissioner we can yell at as "our" commissioner...

But that's not quite as bad as it sounds; Martha Procter, the present (but not for long) county clerk, this week was mailing a raft of notices to registered voters in her bailiwick that not only explained where we're to cast our ballots but what political district we're in for a given purpose.

Complicating the issue, however, is that all the facts, except where we vote and what political party we admit to for primary election purposes, are in numbers.

And, sad to admit, we've always been numerically challenged. Numbers to us become as esoteric as transcendentalism when it's necessary to try to define them...and that's totally ignoring such things as mathematics.

It turns out that people who live on our block are in:

- U. S. Congress District 2
- State Senate District 33
- State Representative District 57
- County Commission District 03
- Board of Education District 08
- Precinct 006

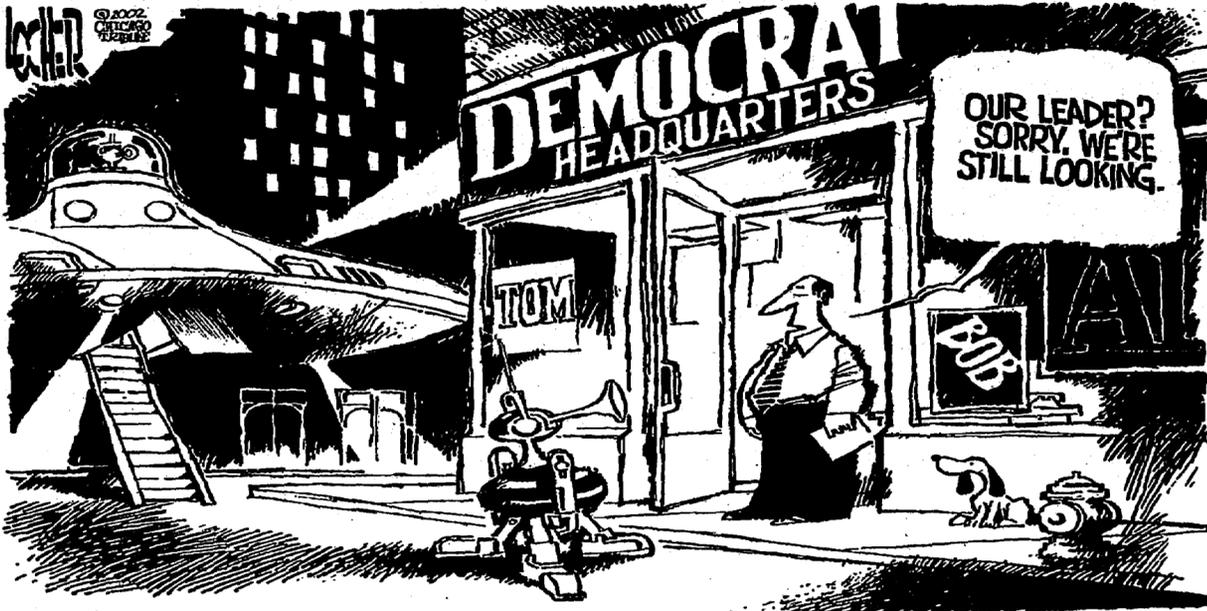
Then there's another number on the handy little card you can stick in your wallet. It's No. 05, sort of floating in limbo without explanation. We wondered if it's a secret code of some sort; but, no, it's the Public Regulation Commission district., unlabeled.

All well and good, but apparently meaningless unless you know where the boundaries of each district lie. Thank the stars that Martha Procter put the designated voting place in plain old English...

That, too, has changed; no more can we see all our Ruidoso friends and acquaintances at the Ruidoso Convention Center on voting day. It's all split up; turns out we'll have to go back to school — White Mountain Elementary, to be exact — to cast our vote.

Probably, like most everywhere else, we'll simply go to the voting place at the designated site, and assume that the names on the no-chad electronic ballot do represent the alleged districts shown.

That's called faith, isn't it?



### YOUR OPINION

## How to know you've become a 'local'

To the editor:

Many times we have seen new folks come to town and after a few years run for public office with a plank in their platform to stop other new folks from coming to town. Shouldn't you have established yourself as somewhat of a "local" before you run for office? In the past, this was a place with a lot to do for all ages.

You might be a "local" if you remember:

- Making telephone calls by dialing just five digits.
- Knowing everyone when you went to the post office.
- The Chaparral Hotel, Bar and Events Center.
- Seeing Paul Revere and the Raiders at Frank Potter's Teen Center.
- Listening to Eve Ball tell stories.
- That Willie Horton Street was NOT named after a politician or an obscure baseball player.
- Seeing the mayor of that time swing on a chandelier at the Swim and Racquet Club.
- When it was OK to roller skate or skateboard in Midtown.
- When the ski area was at the top of Cedar Creek.
- The reason some shops in Midtown are long and narrow is because some were shooting galleries.
- When there were off seasons.
- Gambling at the Buck-a-Roo or Chris's Lounge.
- Willie Nelson playing at the Buck-a-Roo.
- When horses were the parade vehicle of choice.
- People who actually knew Billy the Kid.
- That it is Smokey Bear, not Smokey The Bear.
- Fishing on Eagle Creek.
- When George White and Al Junge were running for office.
- Dan Storm.

By all means, run for office, but take the time to find out where our community came from and what the word "community" really means.

Figure out that we must provide recreation for all, especially our work force, young people and families, or our cost of living and level of crime will skyrocket beyond belief. Realize that although your grandchildren may live elsewhere, the children here are yours to help, and in return, to help you.

Joe Zagone  
Alto

### 'Neighbor' program works

To the editor:

We took advantage of "Operation Save Lincoln County, Neighbor Helping Neighbor," and want to let everyone know what a fabulous job these hard-working volunteers did for us.

The group, headed by Maury and Don St. John, brought Rick (DeIaco), our urban forester, and a local firefighter to decide what should stay or go and how to protect our property.

We thought we would miss "our" trees, but we still have the forest feeling and many saplings will have a better chance for life.

Early Saturday morning, this energetic group came to our home with wheelbarrows, saws, tree trimmers, rakes and plenty of elbow grease.

They cut down trees, trimmed branches, raked pine needles, and put everything by the curb for pick-up. Within four short hours our yard looked so much better, and we feel much better.

This is what Ruidoso is all about — neighbor helping neighbor — and these people are the epitome of that phrase. We thank them so much, and hope they get even more volunteers on the coming Saturdays.

Carol and Fred Knight  
Ruidoso

### Cease the venom

To the editor:

I did not vote for President Bush, but the man, like Carter and Reagan, seems a decent sort and I can find no reason to vilify him.

Unless we are cursed with a Nixon or a Clinton, the man in our highest office should be accorded a measure of respect from all of us.

Which brings me to make a suggestion to a person who never has a positive, informative, constructive or even a humorous point to make, but nonetheless feels compelled to constantly assail anyone who does not share his views in this letters column.

This person should scrawl in soap, lipstick, or blood on his bathroom mirror the following message:

"Please! Someone stop me before I write another venomous, vindictive, and pointless letter to the editor!"

John Brinkman  
Ruidoso

### Valor failure

To the Editor:

Valor Telecom managed to deprive almost an entire community of telephone service for almost 24 hours on Mother's Day. Valor Telecom's failure to provide repair service on a Sunday resulted in the disappointment of many mothers, the anxiety of children unable to contact their parents, and the lack of contact with emergency services endangering an entire community.

Surely the time has passed for shifting blame to GTE and start-up problems.

We deserve better.

Louis Stajer  
Bent

### Thanks to a tall stranger

To the editor:

I would like to give a heartfelt thanks to a stranger. On Wednesday, May 1, my 6-month-old Border Collie named Mary Lee had been missing since the night before.

I called a radio station to have her put on the Pet Patrol; they were very helpful. Then I went to the Humane Society of Lincoln County and learned they had not picked her up.

As I was driving down Mechem near High Country Lodge, I saw her on the side of the road. I got out of my van to confirm that this was our Mary Lee. I was so upset, and I panicked.

Then came the stranger, a tall man driving a 4-door Honda, license 697-KKL. He said, "Honey, is this your dog?" Crying and hardly able to speak, I said "yes, sir." He then hugged me and said "I will pick her up for you and take her to the Humane Society."

In my opinion, this man is a hero who helped me in my time of need.

Again, thank you to the tall man driving the 4-door silver Honda.

Carmen Johnson  
Alto

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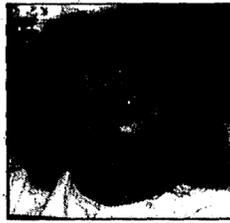
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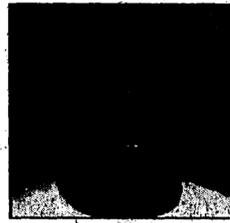
"Yes. I think it would be safer for people not to have access to the forest with it being so dry."

Sonya Loya  
Ruidoso



"Yes. Because now everything is so dry those pine needles out there light up like matches."

Nancy Dolan  
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"Yes, I do, because we can't afford to have the town burn down. It's not that we don't want the tourists up here camping; it's that we've got to protect the forest."

Dolly Taylor  
Ruidoso

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# Kokopelli cause not found

Investigators said they "drew a blank," but the fire was not suspicious.

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The official word Wednesday was that investigators were unable to determine a cause for the Kokopelli Fire that

destroyed 29 homes and a barn in March.

Lincoln County Deputy Jackie Raines, spokesman for an arson investigation task force, said the cause was listed as "undetermined."

"We don't think it was suspicious," he said. "Most likely it was an accident. Every once in a while we just draw a blank."

Although initially hot fire-place ashes thought to be dumped on the ground were suggested as a cause, Raines said that was ruled out. The ashes were much older, he said.

The fast-moving, wind-driven fire burned 962 acres in and around four high-dollar subdivisions northeast of Ruidoso.

# Wood sellers must be safety-conscious

Ruidoso village council says all sellers must be licensed and offer tips on disposing hot ashes

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Wood cutters and stores in Ruidoso that sell firewood will be required to educate their customers on how to dispose of hot fireplace ashes.

Many already are doing that, but an amendment to the village's municipal code approved Tuesday says it's mandatory as part of the requirements for an annual \$35 business license. The code applies to stores, as well as individual sellers. Signs setting out methods of disposal must be displayed.

Code enforcement employees would be responsible for contacting businesses about the new requirements and ensuring they comply. Violating the rules could result in a fine and the revocation of a business license.

Changes to the municipal code also require that cold ashes be bagged before dropping them into village dumpsters designated for that use. Councilor Ron Hardeman asked that residents be required to hold the ashes for

at least 48 hours before putting them into bags.

An alternative to keeping them in a fire place for two days would be to extinguish the embers with water or sand, stirring until an inspection shows no embers are capable of spontaneous combustion.

**"Education is more important than enforcement for disposal of dangerous hot ashes."**

Charles Rennick  
Assistant village attorney

At the last council meeting, former councilor Al Junge suggested the village go back to a system of providing residents with individual containers for hot ashes.

Charles Rennick, assistant village attorney, said he was asked to draw up the changes after the Kokopelli Fire in March destroyed 29 homes and a barn. Initially, the cause was thought to be fireplace ashes dumped outside a home. Later that was ruled out, but Rennick proceeded by consulting with heads of the village fire department and solid waste department.

"Education is more important than enforcement for disposal of dangerous hot ashes," he said.

Rennick explained that dumpsters already are designated for cold ashes and are set a distance away from regular dumpsters for trash and garbage.

"This ordinance prohibits placing hot ashes anywhere but in the fire place until they are cold," the attorney said. "Leonard (Corona, head of the solid waste department) asked that they be placed in bags so when they're unloaded, the truck isn't covered with a cloud of ash."

Initially, Rennick specified that ashes need to cool for 24 hours, but Councilor L. Ray Nunley said, "I wonder if 24 hours is enough for cooling. Ashes can stay hot a lot longer."

Rennick said the time could be increased and that the rules also require the owner to inspect the ashes.

"You could run a hand over a pile and they might feel cool, but be hot underneath," Nunley said. "I'd hate to see them dumped and a fire start because an ember was caught by the wind."

The amendments affect the business regulations, special license section by adding sellers of firewood, amend the solid waste management chapter and add a new section on disposal of hot ashes.

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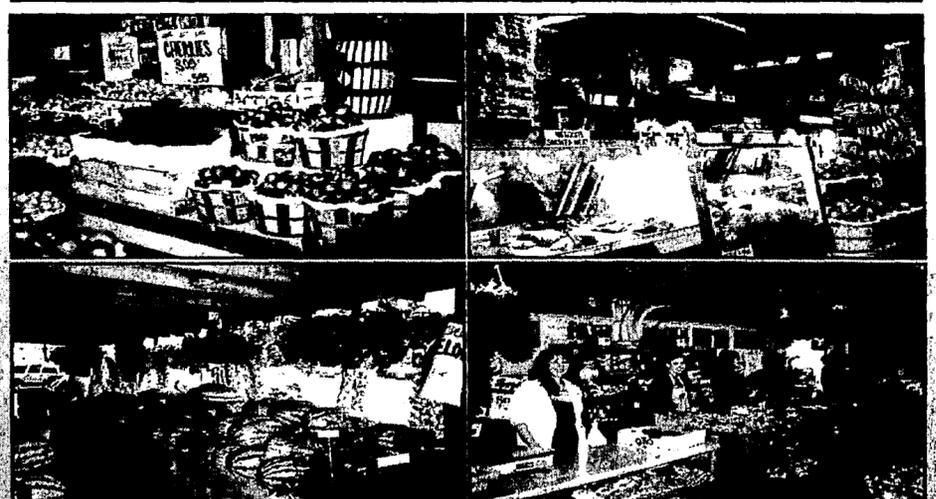
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**BUSINESS BRIEFS**

**N.M. high in existing-home sales**

WASHINGTON - Favorable housing affordability conditions, strong underlying demand, the improving economy and unusually good weather encouraged home buyers to get into the market and drive total state existing-home sales to a new record in the first quarter of 2002.

Forty-six states and the District of Columbia posted increases from a year ago, according to the National Association of Realtors.

The strongest year-to-year increase was in Mississippi, where the first quarter resale pace jumped 29.4 percent compared with the first quarter of 2001. Oklahoma rose 28.4 percent from a year ago, while New Mexico posted the third highest increase, up 27.7 percent from last year's first quarter rate.

NAR's latest report on sales of previously owned single-

family homes, condominiums and co-operatives showed that total sales rose by double-digit rates in 26 states in the first quarter of this year compared to the same quarter in 2001. Only three states reported a decline in the annual rate of sales activity from a year ago, while one state was unchanged.

Regionally, the West experienced the highest increase with an annual resale rate of 1.82 million units during the first quarter of 2002, up 10.8 percent compared to the same quarter a year ago.

After New Mexico, the next highest increase in the region was in California, where existing-home sales rose 19.6 percent from a year ago.

Montana resales were up 16.9 percent, while Wyoming's sales pace increased 14.4 percent from the first quarter of 2001.

The Economy and the Markets

**No dropped shoe likely**

BY SUNG WON SOHN  
CHIEF ECONOMIST, WELLS FARGO

The underlying economic fundamentals are solid. The stunning first quarter productivity gains point to healthy economic growth in the future. Even corporate profits are better than widely advertised.

Despite the lack of pricing power and lackluster revenue gains, the declining labor costs, adjusted for inflation, are boosting profits. Consumer spending, the backbone of the economy, enjoys strong fundamentals. Buying power has shown big increases thanks to low inflation and tax cuts, while employment gains will further reinforce real income. Also, consumer confidence has been trending up, because of improving job market conditions, bolstering consumer spending in the months ahead.

The blistering pace of economic growth during the first quarter, which was aided by unusually good weather and military spending, won't be repeated this quarter. However, a double-dip recession is not likely. A lack of pent-up demand, higher fuel prices and waning stimulus from tax cuts as well as refinancing mean that real consumer spending won't grow at the 5 to 6 percent rate typical during the first year of an economic recovery.

But the underlying strength mentioned earlier will fuel moderate growth. Inventory accumulation will also add to economic strength. Even capital spending, excluding structures and aircraft, is in the early stages of recovery. The budding global economic rebound should expand U.S. exports, boosting jobs and growth here.

**Bonds: Treasury yields**  
Normally, equities perform well at this stage of an economic recovery. However, concerns about accounting irregularities, earnings and valuations have hurt stocks, keeping Treasury yields low. Even so, cyclical and fundamental forces are stacked against Treasuries. Economic growth will continue, raising

bond yields. If the dollar weakens further, exports, inflation and interest rates will increase and foreign capital inflows will slow. The feeding frenzy of spending in Congress will ensure higher budget deficits, putting a floor on Treasury yields.

The Federal Reserve is in no rush to raise the interest rate. First, the jobless rate will have to crest; this should happen around mid-year. Second, capital spending, the Achilles' Heel of the economy, will have to show solid signs of recovering; this should occur sometime in the near future.

The initial tightening moves by the Fed will offset the excess liquidity provided right after the terrorist attacks. Later, the central bank will start thinking about hiking the interest rate to dampen inflation expectations. Once again, monetary policy will be a lagging indicator.

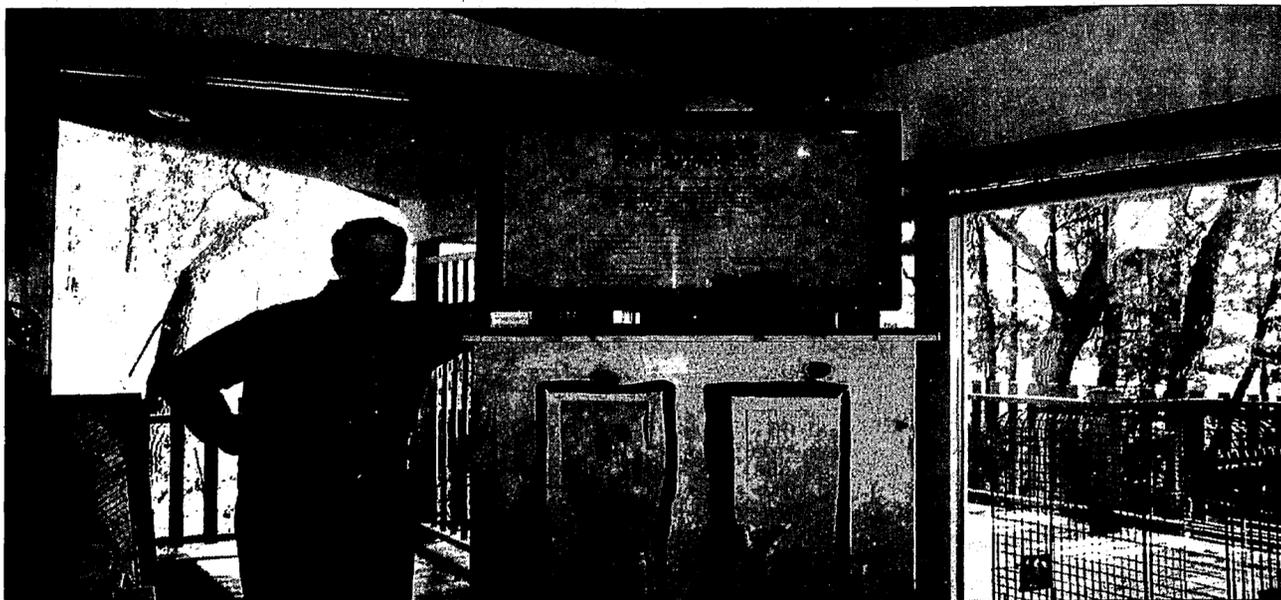
**Stocks: Better**

Why are corporate profits lackluster despite the surge in economic growth? Economic growth is calculated sequentially, quarter-to-quarter, while profit gains are on a year-over-year basis. Sequentially, the earnings for the whole economy have shown a strong rebound beginning the final quarter of 2001, benefiting from low unit labor costs and economic growth. For the S&P 500, sequential earnings bottomed during the final quarter of 2001 and will trend up.

Inventory swing is another complication. The lion's share of economic growth during the first quarter came from a slower rate of inventory run-offs, not actual accumulation. However, earnings primarily come from production. Starting this quarter, businesses have begun to step up production in order to meet ongoing demand and to rebuild inventories, and as a result earnings should improve.

Valuations are not widely out of line if technology is stripped out of the S&P 500. This is why median rather than the weighted-average valuation should be used. Using consensus earnings for 2002, the median S&P 500 valuation is only 16.9 compared to 16.1 excluding technology.

*These are not investment recommendations. Consult your financial adviser.*



EMILY BOURBON/STAFF

Patric Pearson, the chamber's executive director, brought a high-tech background to Ruidoso, and put it to use in installing a new \$30,000 computer system in the office — including a large plasma screen to be used as an information tool for visitors.

**Chamber office goes high-tech**

BY MELANNE SATTLER  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A new member of the chamber's team weighs about 80 pounds and measures 41 inches wide by 26 inches tall. But don't call it skinny or square, call it "plasma." It's a plasma screen computer monitor that will greet Visitors Center guests with an Internet display and members' commercials.

And it's the most visible piece of a new computer network at the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce.

Patric A. Pearson, executive director, is implementing a technology plan aimed at enhancing member services and communication with visitors.

Pearson installed a server-client network of nine new computers and five scanner/printer/fax combos.

The network enables staff to access current materials and share them with residents and visitors.

Six full-time employees share information by e-mail, which decreases the paper trail, Pearson said.

Office productivity will increase because some processes have become more streamlined with the new system, said James Miller, president elect of the chamber board of directors.

By July, Lillie Erivs-Mattson, newsletter editor, said she'll send the monthly member newsletter by e-mail. The calendar of events will go out via e-mail within the next week or two, she said.

Pearson upgraded the phone system, so that each employee has his own voice mail box. Board members can make conference calls on a new three-way speakerphone in the board room.

**"The new project ... opens up quite a few new things we'll be able to do for chamber members and for visitors..."**

James P. Miller  
Chamber president elect

The high-resolution plasma screen will provide added benefits for members and enhance the chamber's public profile, Pearson said.

"The plasma screen is a showcase at trade shows where the chamber is involved," he said. "I thought this would be an added benefit to get people to our booth and see Ruidoso as a technology leader."

The chamber board of directors unanimously approved the technology plan in February this year and allocated funds to begin work.

Project costs total \$29,850. Pearson worked with Miller, who heads the Eastern New Mexico University-Ruidoso instruction center, and State Rep. Dub Williams to secure a \$25,000 state grant for the technology upgrade. He expects to generate additional outside funds to cover the remaining cost of the project.

Pearson began ordering equipment in March and completed the installation in April.

He will implement the last phase of the plan, a high-speed DSL connection, when the service becomes available.

Future projects include a workstation in the breezeway of the Visitor's Center

with a computer, mouse and printer that will allow visitors to look up member services and print out maps and information during off-hours.

Pearson plans to install a similar workstation in a kiosk in Midtown Ruidoso within the next eight months.

He also is improving the chamber Web site, using a new digital camera to create more visual appeal, Pearson said.

The Ruidoso.net site gets three million visits a month, Miller said.

"We'll probably start on changes to ruidoso.net as a Web strategy to enhance some of these strategic initiatives in economic development and tourism," Miller said.

Volunteers Dick Weber and Bruce Kernodle developed the site as an outgrowth of the chamber and its services in 1996. The same year, they installed loaned, rebuilt and donated PCs at staff desks.

Miller refers to their efforts as the first level of technology implemented at the chamber.

"This new project takes it to the second level and opens up quite a few new things we'll be able to do for chamber members and for visitors to our community and region and for people seeking to move and start new businesses in the area," Miller said.

The board identified enhancing the use of the new technology as a strategic goal to augment membership benefits.

"I would invite members to see the new technology and to use it because it is quite state-of-the-art," Miller said. "We're looking forward to more good things in the future."

Focus on Agriculture

**The new farm bill: Like a good spring rain**

BY TOM STEEVER  
AMERICAN FARM BUREAU

With spring planting, an important cycle of life continues. Farming is the essential living circle of sowing, nurturing and harvesting. It provides us with food and many other products. The present reality is, however, that those who keep the cycle turning, America's food and fiber producers, need government assistance to continue. That's why the nation's farmers are relieved to have a farm bill passed by Congress.

"My income the last couple of years would be negative," says Steve Stierwalt, a Champaign County, Ill. farmer, referring to the support he gets from the government. "The farm program payments have allowed me to have a positive cash flow."

What Stierwalt says is borne out in a farm income

study conducted by the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. "The last four years, if we subtracted out all types of government farm program payments, we would have net farm incomes below break-even, or negative farm incomes," says Dale Lattz, extension farm management specialist at the university.

Even the fact that America's farmers are the most efficient and productive in the world works against their profitability. "When you have low incomes, you produce as much as you can to survive and that kind of perpetuates the problem of overproduction," says Lattz. He adds that farming is a competitive business and there are many producers. "They cannot just say, 'well we need to shut down the plant a week or two' as an automobile manufacturer maybe, or something like

that."

Even with federal farm program payments, there is no guarantee that farmers can make ends meet.

Producers need to carefully watch their input costs. "My survival strategy is I get by with older equipment," says Stierwalt after working his magic with a gas welder and drill press to fabricate a part for his planter. "I do a lot of my own repair work in the shop here, and my newest tractor is a 1978."

"Instead of buying a lot of new equipment, I try to retrofit the existing equipment to where, hopefully, I can do almost as good a job as I can with new equipment."

Given the choice, it's a safe bet that producers would forego federal farm payments if it was possible to get all of their income from the marketplace. "That's easy," says Stierwalt, "obviously, as a pro-

ducer, that's what we would definitely prefer."

Stierwalt sees government farm programs as helping to maintain the United States as a viable food producer and supplier. "They help us ensure a food supply for this country and for other countries," says Stierwalt. "If it wasn't for those payments, a lot of the production capacity would have to be idled, and once it goes out of production it would be very difficult to bring it back when we do need it."

The new farm bill is like a badly needed spring rain. It will help many farm families survive this extended period of low prices and high production costs. The farm bill is just what producers need.

*Tom Steever is a producer in broadcast services for the American Farm Bureau Federation.*

# State Rep. hopefuls discuss taxes, education

■ Two GOP District 57 candidates squared off Monday in Ruidoso.

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Pay raises for teachers proved to be one of several areas of disagreement between two Republican candidates for State Representative in District 57.

Incumbent State Rep. Dan Foley and challenger Adam Rafkin faced off at the party-sponsored session Monday in Ruidoso and are pitted against each other in the June 4 state Republican primary.

Although all of Lincoln County used to fall within District 56 represented by State Rep. Dub Williams from Glencoe, because of redistricting earlier this year, the county is represented in three districts, but only District 57 is disputed.

While Foley from Roswell said he would oppose raises for teachers if they required a tax increase, Rafkin from Ruidoso said good pay for teachers is important to recruit and retain top talent.

Foley pointed out that although New Mexico spends 53 percent of its state budget on education, it ranks 49th out of 50 states in significant education accomplishment tests.

"The bureaucrats aren't making sure the money is getting to the classroom," he said. "We're 49th. How much is it going to cost to become 50th?"

He supports making the

Commissioner of Education a cabinet level position, he said, adding, "There's no accountability now."

Rafkin countered that raises are possible without a tax increase, "If we restrain government spending on social programs."

Before answering questions, Foley told the audience he and his wife Debbie have four children and both were active duty Marines when they met in San Diego. He first was elected in 1998 and was re-elected without opposition in 2000.

Foley said he was a major champion of Megan's Law, which requires convicted sex offenders to register when they move to a county in New Mexico. He also was instrumental in the legislative passage of a \$60 million allocation to improve the state's watershed, with two-thirds aimed at the Pecos River, including the eradication of water-guzzling salt cedar.

Rafkin said his parents live in South Dakota. He moved to New Mexico where he was a prosecutor in Lea County for 18 months, then relocated to Lincoln County nine years ago. He worked in practice with Gary Mitchell for a year before breaking out on his own.

"Only in rural New Mexico would you get cases of people fighting over bar stools and chickens," he said.

His legal experience has convinced him glaring deficiencies exist in the state's criminal laws, Rafkin said. Up to three convictions for drunk driving are considered misdemeanors, he said. A man can break his wife's nose and only face a misdemeanor. Yet a person can write a \$25 bad check and be hit with a third-degree felony offense.

Even if convicted of a fourth or subsequent DWI charge, the sentence is just six months, he said. He'd like to see offenders charged with a felony on their second DWI.

"We talk tough on DWIs in New Mexico but we're not," he said. Rafkin also advocated tax incentives for people and businesses to conserve water.

In answering other questions:

On the death penalty, Rafkin supports it with proper safeguards such as a mandatory recorded confession and DNA testing. He would support the creation of a review commission in New Mexico similar to the one formed in Illinois to review cases with the death penalty.

Foley said he voted for a bill requiring DNA testing in death penalty cases. But he's disturbed by cases where the defendant confesses and doesn't want to fight the sentence, yet attorneys are allowed to run out all appeals on his behalf.

On school vouchers, Rafkin favors the idea but would prefer a pilot program to gauge possible effects on schools in small towns such as Capitan. Foley said he carried the voucher bill that didn't pass. The Democrats oppose the plan and a pilot program would be designed to fail, he said.

"The biggest proponents should be rural schools because the per student spending is higher. The Democrats want to reduce that and give the money to 'at risk' schools in big cities, he said. "I believe it would expose failing schools and I don't think we have the time to wait five years (for a pilot program). I'm not willing to write off five years of students."

On the war against drugs, Foley said he backs medicinal marijuana prescribed by a physician. He would oppose legalizing drugs. Rafkin said it's not a waste of time to talk about the issue because drug use is a major factor in most crime in New Mexico. Convictions on drug offenses can devastate a family, he said.

But "there would be no capitulation in the drug war," he said. "No one has ever benefited from drugs."

On incentives to draw businesses into the state, Foley said New Mexico is not business-friendly and he would support tax cuts. Business owners go to other states when they see New Mexico's tax structure, he said.

He also would reform health care laws and repeal the gross receipts tax physicians must pay. Rafkin concurred on the gross receipts tax,

saying nine physicians have moved out of Lea County in the past year.

"We chase productive people out of the state because of the tax structure," he said.

On the water status, Foley pointed to \$60 million allocated this year by the legislature for enhancement of watersheds and other water issues. If the state goes back to court to review its water delivery compact with Texas, the only people who will benefit will be the attorneys, he said.

Congress has to ratify any new agreement. Texas has more than 50 representatives and a President who lives within its borders. New Mexico has three congressmen.

Rafkin agreed that litigation isn't the answer. State agencies must be held accountable, he said. He would encourage through tax breaks the use of low water appliances and cisterns.

"A number of factors have to be looked at to solve the water problem," he said.

In closing, Rafkin said if a Republican is elected, he has to be able to reach across the aisle and work with the Democratic majority.

He's used to that as an attorney. Often former adversaries have come back to him and asked him to represent them in different cases, he said.

Foley said he has proven he can work with the opposition party without compromising his Republican core beliefs.

He'd like to see the first DWI conviction be a felony, Foley said, adding, "Why wait for the second?"

## Village's water sample tests clean, lab reports

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A sample of water from a home on Heath Drive in Ruidoso came back clean, said Larry Grasmick, who heads the village's water and wastewater department.

Doris Ballow complained to the city after her family became ill and she received test results back on water samples she sent to a laboratory in Alamogordo. The results showed the presence of bacteria that live in ani-

mal colons and can indicate contamination if they exceed set levels, she said.

Village officials responded by conducting their own test. Ballow also ran another test. Both samples came back clean.

"We used the same lab for the test (as Ballow)," Grasmick said. "We carried the sample down there because it was an emergency. However, when we are testing routinely each week, the 10 samples are iced in a cooler and sent by bus to a lab in Las Cruces."

## SMOKE: Restaurant owners get their wish

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"During the Kokopelli Fire, people inhaled more second hand smoke than if 100 cigarettes were lit up in an enclosed room," he said. "Are we going to raise the driving age to 21 because more teens die in driving accidents than from any other cause?"

The owner of the new Coyote Cantina said the cost of installing a special ventilation system to comply with the suggested ordinance, "would be very expensive for a business owner in a small town."

After listening patiently, Councilor Ron Anderson said while he doesn't smoke and doesn't allow smoking in his businesses, he doesn't believe government should regulate this issue for private businesses.

If 77 percent of people in the United States don't smoke, they can use their buying power — or avoidance of a business — to press for change, he said.

"Don't go to their businesses. Change their minds or put them out of business," he said. "There are two or three places in this town that I won't go into. It's in your hands. You can do it."

Councilor Ron Hardeman said he has conflicting feelings, but he has a hard time telling business owners what to do, even if smoking is a poor choice. He's complained to several business owners about

smoke and has asked for changes.

"You can vote with your dollars," he said, echoing Anderson's theme.

Councilor Frank Cummins agreed. Councilor L. Ray Nunley said as a pharmacist he sees the health devastation related to smoking and noted that it is not allowed in the 3,260 stores operated by Wal-Mart. Councilor Deborah Marcum-Byars was ill and Bob Sterchi was out of town.

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# ANDERSON: Candidate started career early

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Tinsley has said he has a ranch in the district and residences in several areas of the state, including Albuquerque, as well as five K-BOBs restaurants within the district.

## State legislator

Anderson was barely out of college — he graduated from New Mexico State University in 1973 with a degree in agricultural economics — when he was first elected to the New Mexico Legislature in 1977 at the tender age of 26.

The two terms he spent in the Legislature as the Republican representative from Roswell could have been the foundation of a long career in politics.

But it happened to coincide with the birth of his first son, Christopher, and three years later with the arrival of his daughter, Jennifer.

Anderson said that by his second term he knew raising a family while being involved in politics was not what he wanted.

"I loved it. There wasn't any part of being in the Legislature I didn't enjoy as a young man," Anderson said. "But when we started, we didn't have any kids. When we started having a family, it was clear to us elected office and young families just don't mix."

Today, his daughter Jenny, fresh out of college, is helping Anderson run his campaign, with father and daughter driving hundreds of miles around the state.

## Political inspiration

Anderson said he was inspired to enter politics by his brother-in-law, Colorado State Rep. Morgan Smith, a Democrat, who showed him that, even during the era of Watergate, politics could be "an honorable endeavor."

"He encouraged me to think of political involvement as a service to your community and helping your state," Anderson said.

Soon after being elected, Anderson gained a seat on the Appropriations and Finance Committee, one of the key committees in the Legislature.

Former Republican State Rep. John Bigbee served with Anderson on the Appropriations Committee and said he was "impressed with his complete grasp of what was going on in New Mexico." Bigbee said Anderson still has the same grasp of state issues, as well as national and international issues.

He said Anderson, while committed to conservative Republican ideals, is "more issue based" and is generally able to evaluate an issue on its merits.

Anderson acknowledges he was "less than prolific" in the number of bills he introduced while in the Legislature. He said the Democratically controlled Legislature made it difficult to successfully pass Republican-sponsored legislation, at least for his first term.

Nevertheless, Anderson points to his attempts to repeal the Little-Davis-Bacon act that fixed wage rates for government projects at the prevailing wage scale. Because that scale was based on Albuquerque rates, smaller communities, where wage rates were lower, were taking a big hit, Anderson said.

The bill he sponsored passed both houses before being vetoed by then-Gov. Jerry Apodaca.

The state made great gains in education during his time in office, including raising teacher salaries, Anderson said. In his last term, Anderson was part of the "Cowboy Coalition" that took back control of the Legislature.

## Business career

Despite perceptions that Chaves County and the Roswell area are heavily Republican, Anderson said at the time he was representing those areas there were 16 Democrats for every Republican. Despite the numbers, he won a difficult race

against the incumbent in 1976 and ran unopposed for his second term.

After his second term, Anderson returned home to Roswell. He managed or owned restaurants and businesses around the state, including the Double Eagle in Mesilla.

For the past 10 years, Anderson has presided over Sun Valley Energy Corp., an oil and gas energy exploration business based in Roswell.

Anderson's career in oil and gas cannot be separated from that of his father, Robert O. Anderson, who as head of Atlantic Richfield was one of the giants in New Mexico's oil industry and was at one time considered one of the wealthiest persons in the country.

Anderson's friends and peers say it's hard to tell he came from a wealthy family. They say he and his family are hard-working and down to earth.

"It's funny how people mistake my grandfather's fortune as my dad's," Jenny Anderson said. "He's not a millionaire by any means. And he's done so much for so many — people who know him know that."

Deming supporter Caren Chambers said she has known Anderson for years, through her church. She said she finds Anderson to be forthright and said he seems incapable of being a slick politician.

"He's just not like that. He's very, very honest and will do what is right," Chambers said. "I've gone to the conventions and I know he's not really the most polished speaker, but he means what he says. I think people are getting tired of lies. People want someone who is real."

Dick Knowles said Anderson encouraged him to run for state representative 20 years ago, and has helped in his successive campaigns.

"He works extremely well with people. He's open to suggestions, and he likes to hear the opposing view. He accepts facts and figures, but is open to change," Knowles said.

As far as his stand on the issues most important to the district — water, farming and ranching, education and health care — Anderson does not differ much from the other four Republican candidates who espouse conservative Republican ideals.

Anderson, in general, believes less government is better and that most solutions to state problems emerge from the local level. He favors federal support of digital networking efforts for businesses and schools, but believes in more local control of schools.

Health care in New Mexico is facing a near crisis, Anderson said, with practitioners leaving the state due to the high costs of

practicing medicine here. Anderson said as a legislator, he supported a repeal of the gross receipts tax for medical practitioners, an effort which did not succeed.

"Here we are 20 years later watching health care in New Mexico slip into greater and greater jeopardy," Anderson said. In addition to taxing doctors, the state also has one of the lowest reimbursement rates for Medicare payments.

On the federal level, Anderson said he will pursue simplifying procedures by adopting a universal reporting form for Medicare requests.

Anderson also favors decreasing regulation of the farming and ranching industries, as agriculture still represents a strength of the New Mexico economy.

Once an active rancher in Chaves, Lincoln, Sierra, Guadalupe and Eddy counties, Anderson said he is still involved in farming and ranching in Lincoln County through a family-owned corporation.

Though his roots lie in oil and gas, Anderson supports pursuing new methods to gain energy from both fossil fuels and alternative fuels. New Mexico is a top producer in the nation of oil and natural gas, but Anderson said more can be done in the fields of wind, solar and geothermal power.

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Phelps Anderson, Congressional candidate, postponed his political career to be with his young family.

## COMMUNITY BRIEFS

### Scenic Byways Committee meeting

The regular meeting of the Scenic Byways Committee is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. Thursday, May 23 in the Council Chambers of the Ruidoso Administrative Center Building, 313 Cree Meadows Drive.

Discussion and possible action on year 2001 funding regarding the Sam Tobias Plaque update, a grant writing proposal and the Lincoln Interpretive Plan will take place.

Also on the agenda are: updates on year 2002 funding and on 501C3 progress, a report on the visitor's center, 2003 grand application update and hospitality training program update.

### Drunk Driving Blitz

Law enforcement officers from around the state will conduct saturation patrols and DWI/seat belt checkpoints through May 26. The New Mexico State Highway and Transportation Department's Traffic Safety Bureau reminds drivers to buckle up, slow down and never drink and drive.

Through April of this year, 51 people have died from alcohol-involved car crashes in New Mexico, and 136 fatalities over all.

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# PEARCE: Candidate says military past will help him in Washington

**FROM PAGE 2A**  
 "I think our entire democratic way of life emanates from a good, strong family," said Pearce, who is a 1970 graduate of New Mexico State University with a business administration degree in economics.

"We're in a time right now where we have a lot of teen violence and violence in society, and I think those problems originate in the home and I think we can cure that," Pearce said. "But a home background is a basis that is so important. If we can have



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**Congressional candidate** Steve Pearce received the most votes at the Republican Pre-primary earlier this year.

families that are teaching our young people respect for themselves and respect for others, then we'll have a very strong country."

Pearce said he would like to see the federal government return control of schools to local entities.

"As far as education goes, the big problem that we have are mandates from the federal and state governments," he said. "Those institutions make requirements that the counties or state may not want. I'm not sure those are valid components, and so what I would do is (offer) block grant money to local schools and give them authority and accountability to an oversight task force."

"If we make local school boards responsible for education, that will help get parents involved in education. Parents feel they don't affect the system if decisions are made in Washington. I think parental involvement is the single biggest thing in education."

### Water and agriculture

Pearce is active in agriculture and water issues as well. In the 2000 Legislature, Pearce was a prime sponsor of a series of bills designed to give tax incentives for value-added production of agricultural products.

That bill was a potential boost to the College of

Agriculture at NMSU, he said.

Another Pearce bill in 2000 was aimed at providing funding to soil and water conservation districts to thin out overcrowded state and national forests.

Pearce said he believes that government should stay out of agriculture except when foreign governments unfairly subsidize or dump their products into our markets, causing family farms to fail.

On the water issue, Pearce said he feels protection of our water is critical.

"Other states would like to have our water. The federal government wants it, Texas wants to take ownership of it and Mexico needs it," Pearce said. "We've got to protect our water from outsiders."

"The next thing we have to do is conserve it, and we need to find new sources of water. I've said over and over, there is enough water under the Tularosa and Alamogordo basin. The water just needs cleaning up. One of the highest priorities I will have is to clean that water and use it. We've also got to ensure that water is not taken away from property-right owners and individual users. Those are key components."

### Businessman

In addition to his work in politics, Pearce is also a businessman. In 1989 he and his wife, Cynthia, purchased Lea Fishing Tools Inc., an oil field service company. Since then, the company has grown to 10 times its original size.

Sometimes in the oil business, times can get tough, as they did three years ago when the oil industry went through some very hard times.

Pearce, however, did not cut back hours or lay off any employees.

"Three years ago we did have a down period. Our revenues were down 80 percent," Pearce said. "We started our business with just a handful of employees, and we built it up to where we had 40 to 45. We stuck with our people. We could have saved a great deal of money. But we have a responsibility in business. These people helped build our business, and we have a sense of loyalty to these people. They had kids and homes."

Pearce said there are several basic values that guide his stance on many political issues. He is pro-business, pro-life, pro-Second Amendment and anti-drugs.

"These are things I believe strongly in, and I explain to people up front what I believe in," Pearce said. "These are just core values I believe in and take great pride in."

Hobbs Mayor Bob Wallach, who Pearce replaced in the Legislature, said he believes Pearce would be a solid candidate to earn the New Mexico seat in Washington.

"Steve is a real moral, Christian person. He works hard and he's just a nice guy," Wallach said. "He's done a great deal for this area. He is knowledgeable in a lot of areas, from oil and gas to the military to ranching."

### Front-runner

Pearce got a leg up on his

Republican foes in March by earning the most votes at the Republican State Pre-primary Nominating Convention in Socorro.

"People were looking for someone who understood the issues and had leadership and articulation of a message," Pearce said. "I've had people ask me for the speech I gave that night. To be able to touch people, that's important if you are going to run for office."

"I was gratified and humbled by the support I got that night. It proved to me once again that when you put the issues first, when you speak openly and honestly about what you've done and what you will do in Congress, the people will choose the best candidate."

State Sen. Carroll Leavell, who represents southern Lea and Eddy County, is one of those who supports Pearce.

"I've known Steve for 20 years, worked with him for four years. He's very bright and he's a very able leader," Leavell said.

Pearce said the biggest influences in his life have been Jesus Christ and his mother, Jane Pearce.

"From human intervention, my mother had been the most important influence," Pearce said. "She's taught me about tenacity, self-discipline and the willingness to work hard."

Felix Chavez is a reporter for the Las Cruces Sun-News, a sister paper of the Ruidoso News.

## Fort Stanton festival Sunday

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
 RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Historic Fort Stanton will take center stage Sunday for a celebration of New Mexico Heritage Preservation Week.

Visitors will be treated to military re-enactments, Mescalero Apache dancers, storytellers, Hispanic settlers and good family fun from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Performers will represent Lydia Lane, whose husband was stationed at Fort Stanton; Kit Carson, who commanded at the fort; and Ellen Casey, a

rancher's widow who sold beef and produce to the fort.

Music of the era will be played by local musicians and stories of the Buffalo Soldiers will be related by John Ryan, author of "Fort Stanton and Its Community."

Professor Cynthia Orozco will give the Hispanic perspective and the Apache youth dancers will perform while visitors chow down on plates of barbecue and beans.

Portions of the celebration will be filmed as part of a video being put together by Blake Martin, an Alto resident work-

ing under a grant from the Hubbard Foundation awarded to Fort Stanton Inc. The film will be used to relate the story of Fort Stanton, its history, culture and efforts to preserve it to foundations, state committees and schools.

Recent donations to the museum operated by the Fort Stanton partnership has allowed volunteers to complete the officer's bedroom. Artifacts can be donated by calling Nisha Hoffman at 258-1833.

Summer hours for the museum are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Thursdays through Mondays.

## Yard waste pickup could cost more

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
 RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Ruidoso residents may be paying higher fees for collection of yard waste.

A proposal was submitted to the council by the Forest Health Task Force to consider a new fee structure that would increase from \$3.32 a month to \$5 the charge to residential customers, add in commercial accounts at \$5 and all vacant lots up to one acre at \$5, plus \$5 for each additional acre.

"As I understand it, the

money raised will be to purchase equipment, have personnel to run the equipment, for disposal and possibly to help in the actual cost of cleanup or thinning," Village Manager Alan Briley told the council Tuesday.

A public hearing was set for the council's June 11 meeting.

Residential customers currently pay \$7.09 for solid waste, 77 cents for recycling and \$3.32 for yard waste on their monthly village bills that also include water and sewer charges. Commercial customers and owners of vacant lots are not

charged.

Councilors suggested that Briley and Lorri McKnight work on some alternative charges such as a graduated fee for vacant lots depending on the size and a flat fee may not be fair.

In other business, Councilor Ron Anderson asked Briley to look into putting up lighted signs at the three entrances to the village warning people of fire and watering restrictions. The cost was estimated at \$3,300 to rent three signs. Briley will research other options.

### FUNERALS DEATHS

#### Herman L. Reynolds

Graveside services for Herman L. Reynolds, 92, of Ruidoso Downs, will be Friday, May 17, at 9 a.m. at Forest Lawn Cemetery in Ruidoso.

Mr. Reynolds died Thursday, May 16, in Alamogordo. He was born Feb. 7, 1910, in Texas. He moved to Ruidoso in 1950 from Alamogordo and was a retired propane truck driver.

He married Nadine Brown on Sept. 14, 1930 in Bonham, Texas and she preceded him in death on July 8, 1996.

He is survived by three sons; Herman D. Reynolds of Capitán, Jerry Reynolds of Capitán and Curry Reynolds of Ruidoso Downs; a daughter, Janie Lester of Mescalero and numerous grandchildren. He was also preceded in death by a son, Glen Reynolds.

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# RANGE: Military, law enforcement to utilize facility

FROM PAGE 1A

During a briefing to the county commission Thursday, Payne clarified that "there will be no tanks and rockets flying around through Tinnie," adding they concentrate more on first-responder types of training, such as SWAT teams.

"Several of our instructors were responsible for training special operations forces currently engaged in the war on terrorism," Payne said. "We develop solutions to particular limitations that exist in new confrontations in other parts of the world."

He said the Roswell Tactical Training Center and the Tinnie

Range Complex are expected to have a positive and major economic impact in Chaves and Lincoln counties. The number of employees currently is at 35 to 40, but more will be added if some large contracts go through, Payne said. Client group sizes usually are 50 people or less.

Raw materials will be bought locally, motels rooms and apartments may be needed, bulldozer operators will be hired and clients will shop locally and buy their meals in the area, he said.

"We also hope to have an impact on regional air service," he said. "Our clients love to see this area. The first thing they want to do is buy boots and cow-

boy hats, ride a horse and visit Billy the Kid places and the (UFO) crash site in Roswell."

Fish said instruction includes sky diving, marksmanship, medical emergencies, command center control and small unit tactical operations. Many instructors are retired military and police officers, as well as a tactical emergency medical services officer.

"Everything we're doing is

above board," Fish said. "There are no secrets," just "sensitivity," which extends to the names of their clients. All clients are subject to approval by the United States government, he said.

Participants must sign non-disclosure agreements, "so the bad guys can't create a defense against what's being taught."

"We will be as open as national security will allow," Payne added.

**"Our clients love this area. The first thing they want to do is ... visit Billy the Kid Places..."**

Mike Payne  
HEAT deputy director

Safety issues will be supervised by an outside agency and warning signs will be posted for people who might wander onto or near the property. Safety zones will be established well beyond the capability of the weapons used to ensure that neighbors and the community aren't impacted, he said.

Neighbors will be notified before an exercise begins, Fish said. Equipment on site will include a water tanker in case of fires and an ambulance. If needed in an emergency, they will respond within the community, Payne said.

Oscura resident Jerry Carroll questioned if foreign nationals would be trained in terrorist tactics.

Payne replied that won't be the approach and anything done will be with the concurrent

of the government.

"That's no endorsement, sir," Carroll said, adding that at times the government has trained groups that later became enemies and used the training against this country.

Fish said the people working for the privately-owned company are patriotic and wouldn't knowingly train anyone "who might come back at us."

Counter-terrorism training aims to shut down existing terrorist operations and anti-terrorism training focuses on prevention, Payne explained.

An open house will be conducted in June and the two men invited commissioners to attend.

Commission Chairman Rex Wilson said one of the biggest jobs ahead for the company is one of public relations.

## Gross receipts taxes lag; airline wants El Paso route

Gross receipts tax projections continue to lag behind figures budgeted for the Fiscal Year 2001-2002, Ruidoso village officials reported to council members last month.

Finance Officer Lorri McKnight estimated the village will end the year at \$183,000 below the \$7 million budgeted. Through the third quarter of the year, \$5,357,305 was collected compared to \$5,571,858 last year.

The number of business turning in GRT revenue also is going down, Village Manager Alan Briley said.

"The last two months we were below the average of about 940 with only 793 two months ago and 876 last month," he said. "That normally drops to the 600 range in the months of May and June."

Councilor Bob Sterchi questioned why GRT is down when Lodgers Tax is up 10 percent.

Briley said the phenomenon is statewide. People are staying at motels and hotels, but

they aren't shopping for goods.

Overall, general fund revenues are \$5,396,512 or 74 percent of the budgeted \$7.3 million, McKnight said. Last year at this point, revenues were at 76 percent of the budgeted \$6.85 million.

But total revenues for the year, exclusive of Capital Improvements Projects, are right at 75 percent of the budgeted \$20,176,919, McKnight said.

Expenditures are lower than the 75 percent mark both in the general fund at 69 percent of the budgeted \$6.5 million and overall at 66 percent of the budgeted \$23,216,664.

### El Paso air route?

Rio Grande Air officials are looking into a route that would connect Ruidoso's Sierra Blanca Regional Airport to El Paso and Mexico markets, Village Manager Alan Briley reported Tuesday.

After reviewing the use of the current Albuquerque con-

nection, company officials are not sure that's the best route to maintain for Ruidoso, he said. They are looking for a new grant to help finance an El Paso connection and also will be looking for continued subsidy participation by the village in the next fiscal year, Briley said.

### License transfer nixed

The transfer of location for a liquor dispensing license from the closed Furrs Store on U.S. 70 to the Shell Oil station on Sudderth Drive was rejected Tuesday by the Ruidoso Village Council.

Members of Gateway Church of Christ, of the Ruidoso School Board and other property owners in the area objected to the request submitted by Don Brewer, owner of the Shell station.

They specifically cited the proximity to the church, which would require the council to grant a variance to regulation, that the station was frequent-

ed by students walking from the school to the church and to counseling sessions at the nearby Ruidoso Senior Center.

Andy Carter, an attorney and church member, said the presence of a place to buy liquor directly impacts sessions for Alcoholics Anonymous, Gamblers Anonymous and narcotics counseling conducted at the church.

Brewer said that for gas stations to keep prices down and compete with places like Wal-Mart, selling alcohol is necessary. This station is his only location within the village limits, he said. With the license, he planned to put several millions of dollars into renovations and to add six new jobs, Brewer said. He paid \$208,000 to buy the license from Furrs, he said.

While several counselors complimented Brewer on the station and his new business on Ski Run Road, the vote was unanimous to reject the transfer.

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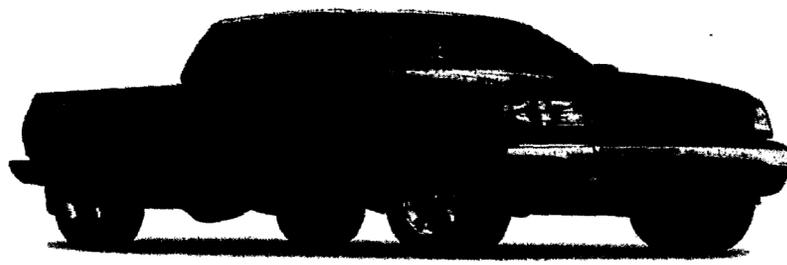
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# PRC, lands commissioner hopefuls debate locally

■ Four candidates talked in town Monday.

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Although the race for state representative in District 57 took center stage in a Lincoln County Republican Party debate Monday, four candidates for two other positions emphasized the importance of their races.

In the District 2, Public Regulatory Commission contest between incumbent Rory McMinn and David King:

• King explained that the agency is a melding of the former Public Utility Commission and Corporation Commission and regulates telephones, the fire marshal, insurance, corporations, truck and bus safety and a consumer division among other areas. It does not regulate cable television.

He attended New Mexico State University, earning a bachelor degree and master's degree. His business experience includes ranching, real estate and insurance. His government background ranges from being director of state planning, serving as New Mexico State Treasurer from 1991-1995, being the first secretary of the state General Services Department and serving as administrator of the village of Angel Fire.

As a member of the Board of Regents of New Mexico State University, he broke the tie that allowed the old airport in Ruidoso (where the convention center, The Links Golf Course and Hawthorn Suites stand now) to be moved to Sierra Blanca Airport Road.

Some of the issues he's hearing are that training for fire fighters needs to be more localized and that hearings of the PRC also should be conducted around the state in affected areas.

If the time comes when an area code must be changed, cities such as Santa Fe and

Albuquerque should be targeted, he said. It would be easier for them than rural areas, which should keep "505," he said.

Renewable energy could come from combusting accumulated biomass as a result of thinning and clearing projects along the Pecos River and other areas in the state threatened by wild fires, King said.

The district covers most of the rural area of Lincoln County north and east of Ruidoso, but not the village, or Capitan and Carrizozo.

• Rory McMinn, incumbent, said he's a small business owner and was appointed by the governor to serve in May 2001. He was a county commissioner for two terms, has been married 34 years to wife Alyson, and graduated from West Texas State University. He's worked for oil and gas exploration and production companies and has lived in Odessa, Midland, Denver, Wichita and Roswell. He was part of the Water Defense Association that was active in protecting water rights in Hondo Valley.

"I'm running because I like what I'm doing," McMinn said. "I have an opportunity to go far beyond my vote to retain the 505 telephone prefix for rural New Mexico."

He's working with the state Legislature toward a state rural universal telecommunications service to help the economy grow, he said.

Wednesday a renewal energy portfolio was scheduled to come before the PRC, which would concentrate on developing alternative sources for the state such as wind, solar and geothermal, McMinn said.

"They want us to mandate a set percentage from each particular source," he said. "I'm not in favor of that or requiring the source must come from within New Mexico. I think we should take it where we find it."

In the race for State Public Lands Commissioner between



Patrick H. Lyons, right, Republican candidate for state Public Lands Commissioner, chats with a couple at a party-sponsored debate Monday.

Patrick Lyons and Rick Lopez:

• Lyons explained that the commissioner is responsible for managing 11 million acres of state land, which breaks down to 9 million surface acres and 2 million subsurface. The commissioner oversees grazing leases, minerals rights and oil and gas leases, as well as rights of way. The 21 beneficiaries of the money collected from those enterprises and investments include kindergarten through 12th-grade schools and a higher education trust fund.

"Some Democrats want to break that trust fund, but I'm against that," he said.

A third-generation rancher, Lyons said his grandfather came to Clovis in 1907. He earned a bachelor's degree from New Mexico State University and then a master's in agricultural economics from Colorado State University.

In a 3-to-1 Democratic senate district, he was the first Republican to win in Colfax County and worked on the Water Trust Fund Act to enhance the state's watershed. He was re-elected two times. He and wife Sandy have three children.

Although he previously lost a race for public lands commissioner to Ray Powell, he was running against an incumbent, which is tough, Lyons said.

"This is an open seat now," he

said, contending that he can carry the northern vote.

Oil and gas leases should be a No. 1 priority because they are a major source of income. He would like to see the watersheds on state lands enhanced and to see development of state land next to urban areas come to the forefront.

"There's an opportunity there to maximize revenue and put it in education," he said.

• Rick Lopez, currently Taxation and Revenue Division director and former assistant commissioner of Public Lands, said the commissioner's charge is to protect the land and to generate revenue.

"It is not an environmental issue," he said. "For the last 20 years, I believe I have been a leader, manager and policy maker."

Lopez earned a bachelor of business administration and master of public administration from the University of New Mexico. He started working for U.S. Sen. Pete Domenici (R-N.M.) as a special assistant when he was 18, was deputy cabinet secretary for the state Department of Energy, Minerals and Natural resources, and served in the Office of State Engineer and with the U.S. Department of the Interior for the Bureau of Reclamation.

"The Democrats let us down," Lopez said in reference to the

handling of the public lands office.

Better use of personnel is a must, he said.

"There are seven assistant commissioners in Santa Fe while there is one person working in the Roswell office covering three or four counties. I want to move those assistant commissioners out into the field," Lopez said.

Winning the primary isn't good enough. Two other ranchers have tried and failed to run successfully for land commissioner, he said.

Lopez said he advocates treating state lands employees with respect. He has shown that approach increases productivity and gets them behind a leader and his vision. In the tax and revenue division, he manages an \$8 million budget and 158 employees. He has reduced citizen complaints by more than 90 percent, but processed returns faster with 10 percent fewer employees.

Running the lands commissioner office is a serious business, Lopez said. It takes a leader and a manager.

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## Hobbs is The Republican for Commissioner, District Four

Earl Hobbs, former First Vice Chairman of the Lincoln County Republican Party, is The Real Republican Candidate for Lincoln County Commissioner, District Four, on June 4th, 2002.

Hobbs is a retired businessman, having been engaged in farm management and the operation of a cotton compress in the Lubbock, Texas, area for many years. "Cotton farming is a chancy business," Hobbs said, "and it certainly makes you appreciate what hard work can accomplish." His father was a school teacher and high school principal, who later entered business as a cotton ginner and farm owner. His mother was also a school teacher. Her family settled in New Mexico before the beginning of the twentieth century. Hobbs has made his home in New Mexico since 1966.

After completing his education at Texas Tech University, Earl Hobbs enlisted in the United States Army. He is a veteran of combat in Viet Nam, where he served as a helicopter machine gunner and crew chief. "I was lucky to have been assigned to the historic First Squadron of the Ninth Cavalry. The famous 'Buffalo Soldiers' of the early Ninth Cavalry were stationed at Fort Stanton in the 1880's and served with distinction in the Indian hostilities of the era," Hobbs said.

In 1971, Earl Hobbs entered service as an Air Traffic Control Specialist with the Federal Aviation Administration. He taught Air Traffic students for more than six years at the FAA Academy, earning three Outstanding Performance awards and a Commendation for service during the PATCO strike of 1981. He holds an Airline Transport Pilot License, and he is also a Certificated Flight Instructor. Hobbs retired from the FAA after twenty-three years.

His wife, June Hobbs, a native New Mexican, is also a retired FAA Air Traffic Control Specialist, and is a qualified pilot.

Earl Hobbs describes himself as a Real Republican. That means he holds conservative monetary views, and has a moderate social outlook. "Government has no money. All government money is taken from the Taxpayers. We must see that all Taxpayer Money is used for the benefit of Taxpayers, and not for special interests. We have many problems in Lincoln County. Among these are the Preservation of Individual Property Rights, Water conservation and allocation, Planning for future growth, and Road construction and maintenance," Hobbs stated.



In a campaign speech, Hobbs said, "The longer I live, the more I realize the Founding Fathers knew what they were doing. They understood that all government must answer to the people, directly." When he is elected, Hobbs noted, "Every Taxpayer and Citizen of this county will have access to me. I am a good listener, and I encourage everyone to bring their ideas and concerns to me. I will serve the Fourth District, but I will be Commissioner for everyone in the county." His campaign telephone number is 336-2307, and he solicits all comments.

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# LEVIES: Commission opts to keep amount the same for hospitals

FROM PAGE 1A  
by County Manager Tom Stewart.  
A vote later in the meeting approving the county's \$14.3 million preliminary budget locked in the levy at 2.1 mills for the hospital and .9 mills for the clinics. One mill equates to \$1 for each \$1,000 of taxable value in the county. New Mexico taxes on one-third of market value. The special levy generates about \$1 million a year, Stewart

said.  
Hospital administrator James Gibson and chairman of the hospital board Gary Mitchell explained that the full levy is needed to accumulate money for improvements planned over a five-year period that could include a cardiovascular or orthopedic rehabilitation facility to meet the needs of an aging population.  
Although Commissioner Leo Martinez left the meeting before the vote, he said the

commission should follow the recommendations of its county manager. He questioned if plans by the hospital board were too expensive for a small community to support, but made it clear he never has suggested selling the hospital and is pleased with the management job by Presbyterian Healthcare Services.  
All four of the remaining commissioners voted for the full levy in the preliminary budget.

In a related issue, Mitchell reported to commissioners that after lengthy negotiations with Presbyterian, the Albuquerque-based company that manages the hospital, the local board now will have more control over operations.  
The change didn't require commission approval because the board is appointed by Presbyterian and operates under the company. The county's contract is with the company, not the board.  
No changes will be required in the contract, Mitchell said.  
Key points of agreement between the company and the board are that:  
• The board will have the

authority to budget and spend all money from auxiliary donations, from the mill levy and from a foundation to be set up to benefit the hospital.  
• The center will maintain and currently has an operating cash reserve of at least two months, a 90 percent patient satisfaction level and an annual operating margin of at least 2 percent.  
• The board will set billed charges, staffing levels, will develop an annual operating budget and make capital outlay purchases.  
• The board may, subject to already committed contracts, purchase good and services locally.  
• Presbyterian agrees not

to obligate the hospital board with any contract without the approval of the hospital board.  
• Presbyterian agrees to restrict the annual overhead allocation (collected by the company from revenues) to no more than the Urban Consumer Price Index increase without appropriate justification and approval by the hospital board.  
• Presbyterian must pay its accounts receivable invoices within 30 days of receipt.  
• The hospital board will have the authority to authorize travel expenses for hospital employees under Presbyterian's travel policy requirements.

# VOTE: New polling places across town

FROM PAGE 1A  
"If someone hasn't received their new cards by now, they should call my office," Proctor said Tuesday while training poll workers at the early voting site in Ruidoso.  
Voters should check their cards to confirm their precinct number and other possible changes. The card also lists the polling place, Proctor pointed out.  
If someone shows up to vote without their new card, they still can participate if their names appear on the voter roll. A voter may be on an inactive list, which means if they don't vote in two consecutive federal elections, they could be purged from the list, Proctor explained.  
For the primary, 12,659 people are registered to vote and Proctor will be using 52 machines at 19 locations.  
Republicans substantially lead with 6,844 registered, compared to Democrats with 3,805, 39 Green Party, 1,516 declined to declare and 355 minor party members.  
"With 10 ballots, there really are 20 options because each has a Democratic and

## County polling place for the June 4 primary

Polling places designated for the primary are:  
Precinct 1 in Corona at the Corona Senior Center  
Precinct 2A in Carrizozo at the Lincoln County courthouse  
Precinct 2B in Nogal at the Nogal Volunteer Fire Building  
Precincts 3A and 3B in Capitan at the county fair building  
Precinct 4 at Angus in the Angus Church of the Nazarene  
Precinct 5 in Alto at the Bonito Volunteer Fire Station  
Precincts 6 and 7B in Ruidoso at White Mountain Elementary School  
Precincts 7A in Ruidoso at Eastern New Mexico University  
Precincts 8A and 8B at Ruidoso High School  
Precinct 9 at the Ruidoso Senior Center  
Precinct 10 and 11 in Ruidoso Downs at the Senior Citizens Center  
Precincts 12A in San Patricio at the senior citizens center  
Precinct 12B in Tinnie at the Tinnie Volunteer Fire Station  
Precinct 13 in Carrizozo at the Carrizozo Municipal Schools

Republican portion," Proctor told trainees, trying not to scare them away from the job ahead.  
Early voting is open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Ruidoso

Senior Center and from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Proctor's office in the courthouse in Carrizozo. Absentee ballots also may be requested through her office at (505) 648-2394.

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PAGE 1B

For the Carrizozo girls track team, getting a second straight Class 1A title was simply

## A MATTER OF HEART

Story and photos by  
**Todd Fuqua**

Winning one state title can be difficult enough. Winning two in row is even tougher.

That's because — particularly at the high school level — the team changes from year to year. Athletes graduate, new team members are brought in, and the coach never knows what he'll have to work with from season to season.

For Carrizozo track coach Pat Ventura, it wasn't a question of whether the Lady Grizzlies had the talent, but whether they had the leadership.

"We were coming back having lost some good leaders," Ventura said. "It wasn't a revamp in our running and performances, but having good leaders."

The team was young, with



Junior Lacey Burd seen here running in the medley relay, was one of only three upper-classmen on this year's young team.

but three upper-classmen on the roster, but the leadership came through and the Lady Grizzlies left Albuquerque in early May with their second straight Class 1A state track title.

### Track as a team sport

Carrizozo had only 14 girls at the state meet this year, but had a pair of sophomores who put together quite a performance.

Ariel Burr and Ariel Vallejos combined for 57 1/2 of their team's 84 total points, burning up the track in the 100-, 200- and 400-meter runs, as well as the 100- and 300-meter hurdle events.

Burr's 31 points was good enough for high-point individual honors.

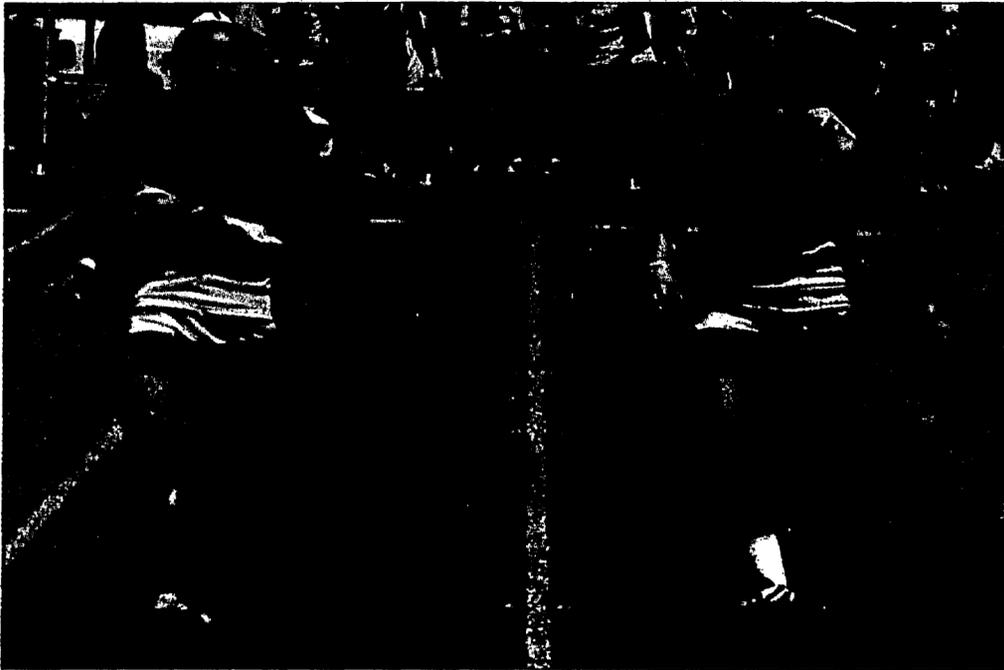
But for all their individual points, the sophomore pair's total was still less than Rehoboth's 64, proving Ventura's point that it takes more than one — or in this case two — individuals to win a track meet.

"It's still a team sport," Ventura said. "You've got to have someone to unite the team, and that's what was on my mind."

Because the team was so young, the two Ariels were forced into a leadership role simply because they had been on the previous year's championship team. Ventura also looked to Bianca Baca — the team's only senior — and juniors Lacey Burd and Ashlie Samora to provide leadership for the young team.

"It was hard because these sophomores were running at the varsity level in eighth grade, and always had someone that took charge," Ventura said. "Now there was no one but them, and they had to lead. It's hard to teach that."

Baca, who ran track in Carrizozo when she was one of



The two Ariels Sophomore runners Ariel Burr, left, and Ariel Vallejos were big parts of the Carrizozo state title run this year. Here the two are finishing first and third in the 100-meter dash.

only two girls on the team, was grateful for her chance to contribute in this manner.

"It's awesome to be a part of this program now," Baca said. "It was difficult at first. I went my first year and it was overwhelming."

"Now, winning these two state championships are great," she added. "Getting the first one was unbelievable, getting the second one and ending my career like this is the best."

"One of the things I picked up from Bianca is that you have to learn how to be a leader," said junior Lacey Burd. "She taught me a lot — I don't think we should have any problems with that in the future."

### Young but deep

The Lady Grizzlies were certainly young, but having that many girls on the team allowed Ventura the luxury of running his younger kids in certain events while placing his top athletes in other events in order to maximize the points.

Nowhere was that more apparent than in the relay events. Vallejos and Burr may have been the fastest girls on the team, but neither ran in every relay, because Ventura

had some very young girls in there.

"Having some of these young girls in there, they contributed and allowed us to do other things," Ventura said. "It gave us depth and made them hungry, they wanted to compete and get a medal."

Of the four relay events,

Carrizozo medaled in three, taking second in the 4x200 and medley, and winning the 4x400.

The only relay they didn't place in, the 4x100, featured two freshman, an eighth-grader, and Baca.

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Carrizozo's future Freshman Tierney Burd, right, hands off to eighth-grader Mary Beth Shivers in the 4x100 final. The two are part of what could be a long tradition of track excellence at Carrizozo.



The 2002 Class 1A girls track and field state champion Carrizozo Grizzlies: Front row, from left, Mary Beth Shivers, Adrienne Zamora, Ariel Burr, Bianca Baca, Stephanie Brewer, Sonya Vega, Ariel Vallejos; Middle row, from left, Sarah White, Lacey Burd, Justine Ballran, Tierney Burd, Whitney Whitaker, Monique Jiron, Ashlie Samora. Back row, from left, head coach Pat Ventura, assistant coach Tom Holland.

## side line

### Sports On Tap

- Friday, May 17**  
Sierra Blanca Opener softball tournament at Eagle Creek Sports Complex, 7 p.m.
- Saturday, May 18**  
Sierra Blanca Opener softball tournament at Eagle Creek Sports Complex, 8 a.m.
- Sunday, May 19**  
Sierra Blanca Opener softball tournament at Eagle Creek Sports Complex, 8 a.m.

### On Deck

**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.

**Swimming Lesson Sign-ups**  
Sign-ups for swimming lessons given by Ruidoso Parks and Recreation will be Monday, May 20 at 9 a.m. at the Ruidoso Municipal Swimming Pool. Cost is \$30 per child per session. The classes fill quickly, so get in line early. For more information, call 257-2795.

**Golf Scramble at Cree Meadows**  
The seventh annual Big Brothers/Big Sisters Golf Scramble is set for May 23 at Cree Meadows Golf Course. The four-person scramble will tee off at 12:30 p.m. with a shotgun start. A dinner and prizes are also on the schedule for the fundraiser. A \$75-per-player entry fee is needed by May 20. The fee covers greens fees, a cart, dinner and a charitable donation to Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Lincoln County. To sign up or for more information, call the Ruidoso Board of Realtors at 257-4750 or Big Brothers/Big Sisters at 258-4185.

**Senior Olympic Events**  
Several qualifying events for the State Senior Olympics in Las Cruces will be held in the Lincoln County area. For more information on registration, contact Bart Young at 257-3193 or e-mail at mbyoung@zianet.com.  
Golf — May 18 at the Links, 1 p.m.  
Billiards — May 21 at Capitan Senior Center, 10 a.m.  
Tennis — May 22 at Ruidoso City Courts, School House Park, 9 a.m.  
Raquetball — May 23 at Ruidoso Athletic Club, 9 a.m.  
Recreational Events — May 25 at Ruidoso High School Gym, 9 a.m.  
Track and Field — May 25 at Ruidoso High School, 10 a.m.

**Ranch Rodeo at Capitan**  
The 13th annual Lincoln County Ranch Rodeo will be held Saturday, May 25 starting at 1 p.m. at the Capitan Fairgrounds. Events will include team penning, team branding, wild cow milking, team tying, remuda race and more.  
Admission is \$5 per person, children 10 and under can get in free. There will be a barbecue immediately following at \$7.50 per plate. A dance featuring Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys will also be held for \$8 per person.

**Memorial Walk/Run at Mescalero**  
A 5K run and walk will be held June 1 honoring Hallee A. Bob and in memory of grandparents Leda R. Bob and Joe C. Begay at the Mescalero reservation. To register, contact Geda Bob or Owl Little at 464-0041 or register on the day of the race at Truman Bob's residence from 7 to 8 a.m.  
The race will start at 8:30 a.m. Registration fee is \$10, and will cost \$12 on the day of the race. T-shirts will be given to the first 100 entries and awards will be given to the first, second and third-place finishers in each category.

**Cancer Awareness Benefit Run**  
The 2002 Run the Mesa will be held June 15, and this year's event will be presented by the Southern New Mexico Medical Association to benefit colon cancer awareness.  
The race will feature a 10K run, a 5K run and 5K walk and will begin at 8 a.m. at the Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts in Alto. Early registration fee will be due by June 1 and will cost \$15. Registration will be \$20 thereafter until race day. Awards will be given for the overall male and female in each event, as well as nine different age-groups.  
For more information, contact Rafael Salas at 258-5030.

## CARRIZOZO: Reflections on a championship season

FROM PAGE 1B

"I was surprised to get to state, because I'm not the fastest runner on the team," said eighth grader Mary Beth Shivers. "But I was happy to be there, and I want to improve my speed."

"There were all kinds of people there and I was sort of scared," she added. "I got better once I had to start running, though."

Tierney Burd was a freshman on the sprint relay team.

"I learned a lot about myself and from my teammates this season," Burd said. "I learned there has to be heart in what you do. They taught me how to compete better and do it for the team."

### Looking to next year

Now that they have two state titles, why not a third?

It's easier said than done, mainly because you never know what your competition will be like.

"Next year will be harder because we'll have more competitors," said Vallejos, referring to a redistricting by the New Mexico Activities Association that will shuffle schools around — including a drop from 2A to 1A for Fort Sumner. "I'm looking forward to that challenge, though. It will make us work harder."

For eighth-grader Whitney Whittaker, the challenge will be personal as well.

"I qualified for a number of events, but had an injury, so I didn't compete in all of them,"



TODD FUQUA/STAFF

**Freshman runner** Stephanie Brewer runs in the 1,600-meter run at the state 1A meet. Brewer didn't place in her only event, but is eager to return and do better next year.

Whittaker said. "Hopefully, I'll do more for the team next year. I'm ready to kick butt and go after it."

For Ventura, the joy of a third title won't be real until he sees the results on paper.

"They've got experience with the big crowd, the many teams and being in the finish at the end," Ventura said. "Next year should be even better, but I never count my chickens before they hatch. It's not over until it's over."

## New bonus program announced

The Ruidoso Horse Sale Company and Sunland Park have joined forces in what will be the largest bonus ever offered for New Mexico bred quarter horses which graduate from the 2002 Ruidoso mixed sale. Any quarter horse that wins the New Mexico Spring Futurity at Sunland Park, the Zia Futurity at Ruidoso Downs and the Shueffly Stakes at Sunland Park will reward several parties their share of \$500,000.

The bonus comes to fruition after management at Sunland Park, Ruidoso Downs and the Ruidoso Horse Sale Company combined ideas in order to reward New Mexico bred quarter horses.

"New Mexico bred quarter horses have always been very important to the existence of the New Mexico racing and breeding industries," said Ruidoso Horse Sale Company general manager Lowell Neumayer. "They have been key in their contributions to full racing fields and additional sales prospects for many years."

"This is our way of rewarding the owners and breeders of New Mexico bred quarter horses," he added. "I have traveled throughout New Mexico and spoken to countless breeders who have told me they will throw their full support behind this program to make a New Mexico bred segment of our

horse sales a huge success."

The \$500,000 bonus is the largest for any breed of racehorse in New Mexico history. The bonus rewards several parties that have all made a commitment to New Mexico quarter horse racing.

The owner of the horse will receive \$250,000, the breeder \$100,000, the trainer \$100,000 and sale consignor \$50,000.

The bonus program will start in 2003 and is open to New Mexico bred quarter horses that are consigned in the New Mexico bred quarter horse section of the 2002 Ruidoso Annual Thoroughbred and Quarter Horse Mixed Sale, which will be held at Ruidoso Downs in August.

## Softball tournament starts today

BY TODD FUQUA

RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Starting tonight, softball junkies will get their fill of their favorite sport when the Sierra Blanca Opener tournament kicks off at the Eagle Creek Sports Complex.

A total of 57 men's and women's teams in four divisions will camp out on three fields, beginning tonight at 7 p.m., when the Sawyer Warriors take on the Sandmen out of White Sands Missile Range, the Home Boys face the Regulators from Alamogordo, and Camp Sierra Blanca plays the Grizzlies.

Another local team, the Nads, plays at 8 p.m., while the women's team Thunder and Lighting plays

Holloman Lady Hawks from Alamogordo at 9 p.m.

Those games mark the beginning of marathon sessions of softball, as the last games on Friday are scheduled to begin at midnight, and pick up again at 8 a.m. Saturday morning.

Games are planned through 3 a.m. Sunday morning, and then again from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday.

"That's close to 100 games, counting the championship," said Claudia Branum, who works for Ruidoso Parks and Recreation and is helping to organize the tournament. "Counting myself and (Parks and Rec director) Rafael Salas, we have only nine people running this thing."

Obviously, sleep will be at

a premium for all involved, particularly for those from out of town. Teams will be coming to Ruidoso from Midland, Silver City, Alamogordo, Las Cruces and Las Vegas, N.M.

"We've got about 10 more teams than last year, and that's a good thing," Branum said. "This was the only tournament that had room to grow, and we were able to do that."

The Sierra Blanca Opener is the first of five softball tournaments to be held at the Eagle Creek complex. The next scheduled event is the Cool Pines Classic June 14-16. Other tournaments are: Last Chance Qualifier, July 13-15; Mountain Double, Aug. 17-18; Ruidoso Mixed Classic, Sept. 14-15.

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FOR RENT 1 Bdrm, 1 Bath, washer/dryer, wood stove, wood floors, new paint & carpet, \$550.00 month, utilities included. Great 3 Bdr., 2 Bath, large 2 car garage on great lot, fenced. No Pets. No Smokers. \$750.00 per month plus utilities. 1 Bdrm, 1 Bath Carrizo Lodge condo. \$700.00 bills included.

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HOUSES FOR SALE

FORECLOSURE SALE 241 HEIGHTS DRIVE RUIDOSO, NM 3 BR, 1 BATH, 1065 Sq. Ft, 1-C GARAGE, 7 YEARS OLD SALE LOCATION: Main entrance, Ruidoso Municipal Building 313 Cree Meadows Dr, Ruidoso, NM Date: June 12, 2002 Government Bid: \$63,100 Time: 10:00 a.m. Appraised Value: \$73,500 Legal: L 7, Blk. 2, Ruidoso Downs Heights, Ruidoso Downs, Lincoln Co. NM. Properties are not available for normal inspection as they are still owned by private individuals. However, if the property is abandoned, interested parties can contact the local Rural Development office to see if an inspection of the property can be made. Foreclosure is still pending in the NM District Court. Under some circumstances the sale may be canceled. RD will not pay brokers or finders commission for successful bidders. Terms of Sale: Bid amount to be paid by the end of the day of sale payable to the Public Trustee. Payment must be made in U.S. currency by cashiers check or certified check. All Taxes plus Interest due are the responsibility of the Buyer. FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION or TO VIEW PROPERTY: Call USDA Rural Development 805-887-3506, Ext.4, or See www.resales.usda.gov

STORAGE RENT 378-7030 Extra nice 231 units Good Accessibility Good Rates Premise Mgr Excellent Security Also Outside Storage AA Storage 1145 Hwy 70, Ruidoso, NM

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY RENT

FORTRESS MINI Storage at the Castle, Hwy 70. All sizes, including (2) 20X60 in Prestige Cabinet Showroom. 257-0313 or 257-7622.

STO-A-WAY STORAGE 125x30 unit with 12 ft. roll up door and insulated. On Gavilan and Meander Dr. Call Peggy 257-2365

Summer Time Special 1st Two Months 1/2 Price Call about our lower rates AFFORDABLE STORAGE 257-9417 253 Carrizozo Canyon

REAL ESTATE WANTED

CASH FOR YOUR HOUSE OR CABIN if reasonable. DON RIERSON 420-9745 or 257-6738

MOBILE HOME SITES FOR RENT

BEAUTIFUL SITES. Large 7x12 615 Hwy. 70. Special Discounts for rent. 257-1814, 430-5637. Also 3 Bd/ and 2 Bd available

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MOBILE HOME SITES FOR RENT WHITE MOUNTAIN Mobile Home Park. Trailer Spaces Available 336-9589

FARMS & RANCHES QUIET HORSE Farm near Race Track, 3/4 River Frontage, 5 minutes from town, 5.25 acres, borders Nat'l Forest, 7 ft privacy wall, 6 ft. pipe fencing, 5 stall barn w/ Studio Apt. 2Bd/3Ba, indoor swimming pool, private well, trees galore. \$625K. 378-8163

HELP WANTED

Pasta Cafe 2331 SUDDERTH is now accepting applications for cooks, preps, dishwashers, certified bartenders and servers F/T & P/T positions. Apply Monday thru Friday 10 AM - 2 PM EOE

ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS for Full-time sales position. Must be willing to work flexible hours. Apply at Thunderbird Curio. 2527 Sudderth.

ALL POSITIONS nursery and landscaping. Apply in person at Conley's Nursery. 378-4375

ALTO LAKES golf & Country Club is now hiring bartenders, servers, kitchen staff, marshals and grounds crew members. Please come by the Business Office, Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

BRAND NEW Downtown Nightclub is seeking candidates for the following positions Waitstaff, Security, and Billiard Room Attendant Servers must have Current NM Alcohol Certification. Please call 430-0917 for application.

HOUSES FOR SALE

Cattle Baron & Farley's are currently accepting applications for all positions. Great wages and the best tip potential around. Insurance and 401(k) plan available. Apply in person for an interview between 2p.m.-5p.m. Mon.-Fri. and 11a.m.-3p.m. Sat. & Sun. Applications accepted at any time during business hours. Apply at 657 Sudderth or 1200 Mechem. No phone call please. Cattle Baron Restaurants, Inc. is an EOE.

HOUSES FOR RENT

COMFORT INN now hiring Front Desk and Housekeeping. Apply in Person, 2709 Sudderth.

HELP WANTED - Cashier. Great Benefits. Apply in Person at 418 Sudderth.

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HELP WANTED COOKS, PREP Cooks, Servers needed. Smokey Bear Restaurant. Capitan. Apply in Person.

HELP WANTED CREE MEADOWS Country Club seeking Bartenders, Servers & Bussers. Apply at 301 Country Club Dr.

HELP WANTED DATA CHECK, LLC now hiring telephone collectors, medical and check collections, training provided, starting pay DOE. Production bonuses paid. Full time positions. Apply at 2904 Sudderth. EOE

HELP WANTED DIAMOND SHAMROCK now hiring Both Shifts Apply in Person 1901 Sudderth., Ruidoso.

ER STAFF NURSES Gerald Champion Regional medical center is a 95 bed JCAHO accredited hospital serving the local community for over 50 years. GCRMC is committed to quality staffing for quality care. We offer a career ladder process for nurses with adjusted hourly wage rate for each step on the ladder. Our starting salary for nurses is competitive with surrounding communities. Progressive orientation plan designed for new graduates and experienced nurses. Excellent benefits package including paid time off, sick leave and 401K. Please contact Nursing Administration at GCRMC 269 N. Scenic Dr. Alamogordo, NM 88310 (505) 443-7750

EXTRA INCOME 2002 \$200-\$500 weekly mailing travel brochures. For more information send a self-addressed stamped envelope to: Kambridge Travel, P.O. Box 60098, Springfield, MA 01139.

FULL TIME Desk Clerk, Housekeepers & Kitchen Manager w. Banquet Experience needed at SWISS CHALET, 1451 Mechem. Apply in Person

FULL TIME Front Desk Position Crew, Point Condos, 220 Crown Dr., is now accepting applications. Please apply in person. Contact Lynn Carter

FULL-TIME HOUSEKEEPERS WANTED for Casa De Ruidoso. Salary based on experience. Must have transportation. Call Sandy @ 257-7577 for appt.

ACREAGE

NEAR RUIDOSO 290 Acres \$88,900 Best buy in the area! Foothills of Capitan Mountains, Oak trees, private, good access. 10% DOWN OWNER FINANCING 1-800-883-4841

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HELP WANTED GIRL SCOUTS - Zia Council is seeking a qualified individual for a Marketing position in Otero and Lincoln counties. Persons applying for this position must have proven people skills, experience with various software programs, working with volunteers and staff, and willingness to travel. Testing will be given regarding computer skills. Self motivation and creativity are a must for this position. Previous Girl Scout experience is a plus but not a requirement. The position is rewarding and offers excellent benefits. GIRL SCOUTS is an equal opportunity employer. Send resume to P.O. Box 1328, Artesia, NM 88210 or call: 505-746-9846

HELP WANTED LINCOLN COUNTY is now accepting applications for the position of DEPUTY SHERIFF in the Lincoln County Sheriff's Dept., located in Carrizozo, NM. Applicant must be 18 years or over, must possess a New Mexico Basic Police Officer's Certification or be certifiable by waiver, and willing to work anywhere in Lincoln County. Employment will be conditional upon applicant's successful completion of a physical examination and substance abuse test. Obtain application at the Lincoln County manager's Office in Carrizozo or by calling 505-648-2385. Applications must be received no later than 5:00 PM Monday, June 10, 2002. Lincoln County, EOE and in Compliance with ADA Requirements, Title II-A

HELP WANTED for Housekeeping. Full-time. Apply in person Ramada Inn Limited, 1420 Hwy 70

HELP WANTED! Stockers & Checkers THIRTY TWO SUPERMARKET Apply in Person 304 Mechem

HELP WANTED, El Camino Nueva Restaurant & WaitStaff Apply in Person 2 PM to 4 PM, 1025 Mechem.

HOUSEKEEPER NEEDED. Smokey Bear Motel, Capitan, Apply in Person or call 354-2253.

HOUSEKEEPER FRIENDLY, personable person needed Mon-Fri, 9 -1 PM. Duties include light personal care for older person. Light housekeeping, meal prep. \$150.00 a wk. For interview call 258-4757.

HOUSEKEEPERS NEEDED. Apply in Person at Innsbrook Lodge 601 Sudderth or call 257-4071.

IMMEDIATE OPENINGS

SHIFT MANAGER CASHIERS, COOKS DISHWASHERS STARTING \$9/HR MINIMUM DEPENDING ON EXPERIENCE LINCOLN COUNTY GRILL 2717 SUDDERTH 257-7669

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HELP WANTED KOKOPELLI CLUB now hiring all positions. Golf course maintenance, Pro-Shop, kitchen, bussers & experienced servers (Must have valid NM Alcohol Certification). Apply in Person between 8 - 5, 201 High Mesa Rd, Alto, No Phone Calls. Verifiable references required.

HELP WANTED MOUNTAIN VIEW Cellular, an authorized Cellular One dealer is now hiring energetic outside salesperson to sell NEW NATIONAL NO ROAMING PLANS to customers in Ruidoso, Ruidoso Downs, Capitan, Carrizozo and Alamogordo. Only experienced outside salespeople need apply. Background check required. Bilingual a plus. High Commissions. Apply at 200 Mechem Dr ONLY, (Adobe Plaza). No phone calls.

HELP WANTED NEED LICENSED drivers for initial two week delivery of independent Phone Book in Lincoln County. Job will continue throughout the year as needed. Contact Robert Whitson, 1-800-530-8318 #4585

NOW HIRING for all positions! Please apply in person at THE DECK HOUSE, 202 Mechem. We will be opening soon! 257-3496

PART-TIME DESK Clerk needed. Apply in person Innsbrook Lodge 601 Sudderth or call 257-4071.

PART-TIME HOUSEKEEPERS. \$7.00 per hour. Must have some experience. Apply at the Holiday Inn Express, 400 West Hwy 70.

RAMADA INN has opening for Part Time Front Desk/Breakfast Room. Apply in Person. 1420 Hwy 70

RECEPTIONIST/CUSTOMER SERVICE. No experience necessary. Computer skills preferred. Send resume Seeley & Company Insurance, 1803 Sudderth, Ruidoso, NM 88345

RESCARE NEW Mexico is now hiring for direct care staff to work with persons with Developmental Disabilities. Must be able to work all shifts and holidays. High School Diploma or GED a must as well as valid driver's license. Starting wages are \$8.00 an hour. Experience not necessary. Will train. Please call Rebecca at 505-431-5090 or go by 112 North Begonia after 4 PM.

MOTEL 6 Ruidoso now accepting applications for housekeeping. Please apply within at 412 Hwy 70 West

RUIDOSO READY LABOR Daily Work/ Daily Pay Construction, framers, general labor, food service, housekeepers clerical. All Skill Levels! Apply Today! 257-7876 449 Sudderth Drive In Gateway Center

PERMANENT POSITION with well-established locally owned business. All shifts available. Benefits available. Health/Retirement Savings Plan. Performance raises. APPLY IN PERSON Come Grow with us! 2812 Sudderth Drive

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GREAT BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY! 18 space RV Park with water, cable, septic, gas, phone and electric. Nice meeting room, restroom & shower facilities, easy year-round access, good income for part time work. \$210,000. WELL KEPT BUILDING Perfect for church, large group meeting hall or offices. Easy year-round access, plenty of parking, approximately 3264 square feet. \$229,500. Tall Pines Realty 1-800-257-7786 Tallpines@zianet.com 2704 Sudderth Drive www.ruidoso.net/tallpines

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HELP WANTED RN (JOB # 02-0. Presbyterian Medical Services Home Health & Hospice of Lincoln County is actively seeking an RN to perform a variety of nursing services to patients in their places of residence directed by a physician. Must be a graduate of an approved school of nursing, either AD, BSN, or diploma have current NM nursing licensure and be CPR certified with a valid NM driver's license. To apply send PMS Job Application, resume and cover letter stating Job # 02-030-N10 and licensure/prof of education to Home Health & Hospice of Lincoln County, 1204 Mechem #1, Ruidoso, NM 88345 or fax 505-257-3995. For an application call 1-505-257-5189, visit our office or website, pms-healthierstate.org. Information can also be emailed to kathy.stamper@pmsnet.org. PMS is an equal opportunity employer.

HELP WANTED SEEKING TWO Positive and Hardworking individuals for Housekeeping. Starts at \$6.50/hr. No experience necessary. Call Laurie 378-4051 #310

HELP WANTED SILVERSMITH AND/OR Jeweler/ Polisher. Must have Experience. 257-1950

SONIC DRIVE-IN is now accepting applications for dependable, mature, enthusiastic, friendly crew members - all shifts. Apply in person 7-10:30 a.m. at 102 Horton Circle EOE

SUMMER WORK College students/02 HS Grads \$12.00 base-appt Scholarships/Internships Conditions apply, F/T/P Customer Service/Sales Positions In Artesia Call Roswell office (505) 627-6014 www.workforstudents.com

TEMPORARY KEEP Ruidoso Clean and Beautiful Youth Employment Program

THE VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO DOWNS, NM is accepting applications for the position of Temporary Laborer for Keep Ruidoso Downs Clean and Beautiful. Salary \$6.15 hourly. Applications accepted until position filled. Complete job description and application available at the Village of Ruidoso Downs, 122 Downs Drive, Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346. Phone: 378-4422 Fax: 378-4586. EEOE.

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PMS PRESBYTERIAN MEDICAL SERVICES Building a Healthier State Administrator III Home Health & Hospice of Lincoln County Patient Care Services Supervisor Home Health & Hospice of Lincoln County, Ruidoso

200 HELP WANTED

TEMPORARY PARKS Laborer THE VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO DOWNS, NM is accepting applications for the position of Temporary Parks Laborer. Salary \$5.15 hourly. Applications accepted until position filled. Complete job description and applications available at the Village of Ruidoso Downs, NM 88345. Phone: 378-4422 Fax: 378-4586. EEOE.

TR'S MARKET Now Hiring \$7-8/Hr. Paid Vacation every 6 mos. Apply in Person. Alto 336-7819.

LIFEGUARD Salary \$6.14 hourly Applications accepted until positions are filled. Complete job description and applications at the Village of Ruidoso, 313 Cree Meadows Dr., Ruidoso, NM 88345. Phone 258-4343 or 1-877-700-4343. Fax 258-5848. Drug Free Workplace. EEOE

WEBER'S GRILL PUB 48 Accepting applications for Servers and Cooks. Top Dollar paid for Experienced Cooks. 441 Mechem

PAST TENSE by Dave Decker HELI VA VIE "OLD WEST" THE WAY IT REALLY WAS - EVERY 7th DAY

IMMEDIATE OPENINGS CAMP SIERRA BLANCA Located at Ft. Stanton Maintenance Assistant Student Direct Care Workers Life Skills Instructor Food Service Workers

WANTED SERVERS, DISHWASHERS, LINE COOKS Must be STRONG on Grill Minimum 1 year experience. Competitive Salary Benefits Available Come on in and fill out an Application! K-BOB'S STEAKHOUSE 157 West Highway 70

MediaNews Group EDITOR WANTED The seven New Mexico MediaNews Group newspapers are seeking a creative, energetic, experienced journalist to oversee our new state wire service and new Santa Fe news bureau. The state editor will report directly to the group publisher of our New Mexico newspapers and will work closely with our newspapers' editors. The state editor will coordinate our State House coverage and prepare a daily news budget with stories from our newspapers. If you are eager for a challenge, enterprising, enjoy working with others and would like to live in the beautiful Southwest, send resume, salary history and cover letter to: Keith Haugland, publisher The Daily Times P.O. Box 450 Farmington, NM 87499 or e-mail: keith@daily-times.com

200 HELP WANTED

MANAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES Due to our aggressive expansion, Family Dollar Stores, Inc., a successful discount retailer, is currently hiring:

Retail Store Managers Assistant Managers

These positions are located in many of our new & existing stores in Ruidoso & surrounding areas. Management positions require strong experience in grocery, drug store or variety store management. We have immediate positions available and provide training for those who qualify.

We offer an excellent salary and an outstanding benefits package including medical, dental, 401K, paid vacation, and much more!

Fax or Send Resumes To: Family Dollar Stores 840 S. El Pasco, Suite C Las Cruces, NM 88001

Call Marcy 257-4001 to place your Classified Ad

Family Dollar EOE/M/F/D/V

200 SERVICES WANTED

Brillante Construction Thomas Brillante Ruidoso Downs - Remodeling Painting - New Construction Lic. 68119-258-5198 Ruidoso, NM

GARDEN GREEN Yard work, hauling, tree thinning, FIRE BREAKS, pine needles, roofs and gutters. Est 257-2172 or 420-5225. dangerus@zianet.com

J & M Construction New Homes Metal Roofs, Additions, Decks, Remodeling 20 years experience Jeff Morgan 257-4272 or 630-2715

LONG-TERM HOUSESITTING position sought. I am a full time writer. I can care for your garden, pets & house. References provided. Contact Sandy Suggitt at 257-0306 or ssuggitt@zianet.com.

FREE PREGNANCY Test. Caring & Confidential Assistance. 258-1800

HUNGRY NEED Food. We can help you in Jesus Christ's name also Bible Counseling. Give us a call 336-9116.

FOR SALE Kokopelli Club full membership, Best Offer Ask for Terry, 1-800-530-0091

Ruidoso Paving Co. A Division of WWC, Inc PO Box 7260 Ruidoso, NM 88355

Notice of Air Quality Permit Application

Pursuant to the requirements of New Mexico Air Quality Control Regulation 20NMAC 2.72, WWC Construction, Inc 1000 Gabaldon Rd, NW, Albuquerque, NM 87104, hereby announces its intention to apply to the New Mexico Environment Department, Air Pollution Control Bureau, for a 20NMAC 2.72 air quality permit for an aggregate plant. The facility will be located approximately 6 miles south of Capitan, New Mexico off State Road 220 NW4NE4, Section 16, Township 10S, R14E of Lincoln County. The facility will operate a 550-ton per hour aggregate plant the crushers, screens and stockpiles aggregate. The expected date of application submission is May 17th, 2002.

A Public Notice has been posted at the entrance to the facility location.

Comments and inquiries regarding this permit should be directed to:

Program manager, Technical Analysis and Permits Section New Mexico Environment Department Air Quality Bureau 2049 Gabaldon Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505 (505)827-1464

Please refer to the company name and site, as used in this notice or send a copy of this notice when

200 SPECIAL NOTICES

making inquiries since the Department might not have received the permit application at the time of this notice. The Department will also publish a notice later in the application review process after it has had the opportunity to review the application and the air quality impacts

REWARD!!! Missing since May 2, 2002. I am a male Jack Russell. I am white with a black and brown face. I have a white spot on the top of my head, and a black spot around my tail. I also have very short legs. If you find me or have found me PLEASE call my owners at: Home: 354-3044 • Cell: 491-2598 Cell: 430-8731 • Work: 354-3044 Thank You!

FREE KITTENS, Adorable Cuties looking for Loving Home. Healthy & full of Bounce & Pounce. 653-4898

PET AND Plant sitting; your house or mine. Mine for small dogs; yours for larger pets, cats and plants. Call Sandy for information. 257-0306.

150 GALLON Propane Tank Free to Non-Profit organization. 257-4909

4 NEW Storm Doors for sale. Still in original box. Valued at \$139 will sell for \$75 each. 878-9188.

BASE COURSE - \$8.00 /ton. Call for price on delivery. Gravel and sand also available. (505) 354-5012 / 491-5118 Capitan.

FOR SALE: used oil field pipe, 2 3/8" diameter, 3 grades, 3 prices. Call Randy or Jim at 336-4377.

FREE! STEER Manure, Carrizozo, 648-2814.

SYLVIA CHINA, Silver Trays, Serving Pieces, Healding Trays, Electric Hedge Trimmer 258-1972, 107 Jack Little Drive H4

ANTIQUES FOR SALE. Walnut Bedroom Set, Eastlake Loveseat and other Victorian Era Furniture. Call for Appointment 336-1599

GRAND OPENING MAY 18 APPLE TREE Antiques & Collectibles Hwy 70E, Ruidoso Downs Open Thurs - Sat. 10 am - 5 pm Sunday 1 pm - 5 pm Located 3 miles east of Race Track in Apple Tree RV Park 378-4995

COTTAGE CENTRAL

403 ARTS & CRAFTS

NOW OPEN- Linda's Custom Framing - 1009 mechem, Relmax Center, 9-5, Monday-Saturday, 18 years experience, quality at affordable prices. 258-2585.

MALIN Construction Materials Acrylic Stucco Waterproofing Groutcoat Juniper Log Fencing 505-438-7087

OAK AND Mesquite firewood. Well seasoned. Split and delivered. Call for quote. 210-679-7402.

COLOR TVS 21" Console 25" Table Model. \$75.00 each. Other misc items. Fri - Sat only 258-3618

DREXEL HERITAGE Dining Room Table, 6 chairs, two leaves, pad, table linen. Matching lighted china cabinet. 258-1972 107 Jack Little H4.

Mansfield Furniture NEW & USED FURNITURE & MATTRESSES WE BUY SELL & TRADE 1000 Sudderth Drive 257-3109

PINE MOUNTAIN LOG FURNITURE Log beds Custom Design Available Gary Ginner 714 Carra Canyon Rd. Ruidoso, NM 88345 (505) 336-1782

SOFA. BEAUTIFUL new 86" high back green. \$395, Krups Espresso maker, \$45, Cuisinart Auto grind brew, \$30, Floor lamp \$60, OBO Moving 257-4462

VILLAGE FURNITURE NEW & USED FURNITURE & MATTRESSES We Buy, Sell & Trade 650 Sudderth /257-7575

12 GAUGE Coachgun Chromenoly 18.5 barrel NIB warranty \$270.00 SAW GMM -17+1 2mag \$425.00 no paperwork 338-1697

RESTAURANT EQUIPMENT for Sale. 2 Cappuccino Machines, Hot/Cold. Small Tables, Chairs. Credit Card machine & Printer, Counter & more. 378-4359

Nice Golf Carts GAS AA Storage 378-7030

427 SPORTING GOODS

SAILBOAT/DINGHY 8 ft w/ trailer. Perfect for Grindstone, sail or row. Trailer needs bearings. \$1100. John 258-3934

WE BUY Junk Cars. Any model, any age, any condition, anywhere in the country. 378-8178 evenings

109 SKYVIEW, off Cree Meadows, Saturday Gigantic Sale! Antiques, collectibles, dishes, books, linens, 4 used tires. 225/60-R16. Lotsa misc.

300 CHEROKEE vans. Furniture, tools, toys, home furnishings, clothes & more Friday 9 - 4 and Sat 9-3.

DECK SALE 102 Ebarb. Chest, linens, blankets, advertising, memorabilia, dishes, TV tray, light fixture, Nintendo games, and more.

GARAGE SALE 128 Wax Pine Rd. Kids toys, clothes and misc. items. Sat. only 8 a.m.-7 No early birds please.

GARAGE SALE, 3 Family, Furniture, Household, Tools and more. Friday and Saturday, 8 - 3, 108 La Luz Lane.

GIANT MULTI-FAMILY Garage Sale Sat/Sun. May 18/19 8 til 7, Fastway Electric Supply, 1575 Wood Lane, Ruidoso Downs. (the old Redman Club). Tools, antiques, toys, baby items, furniture, clothes, glassware etc!

HUGE GARAGE Sale. Ruidoso Chamber of Commerce, 720 Sudderth across from Pizza Hut. Sat. 9-2. Furniture, Computers, Clothes, Flugs, House wares & much more

MOVING SALE 100 White Mt. Meadows. Sat/Sun. elec. tools, kiln, saws, furnace boat, cycles, 85 Subaru, '92 Ram 250 PU, dump-trailors, behind skateboard park off sunny slope

SIDEWALK SALE! ANGEL TOUCH ANTIQUES 2909 Sudderth Saturday - May 17 9:00 AM Drastic Savings 25% to 50% on Furniture, Glass Art Collectibles & More!

THREE FAMILY Garage Sale. Saturday, May 18, 8-3 pm 211 & 213 Jack Little. Table Saw, tools, electric, oak cabinet doors, oil paintings, crystal, misc household and more.

YARD SALE. May 17 - 18. Tools, Furniture, Misc odds and ends. 8 - 7. 100 George McCarty.

YARD SALE. Toys, bikes, clothes, computer. Friday & Saturday, 8 am to 3 pm, 117 Virginia Canyon

801 SERVICES

LACKEY'S LANDSCAPING Design, Plant and Maintain RR Tie Work • Flower Beds • Driveway Borders • Retainer Walls Hugh R. Lackey Owner 257-5672 Lic. No. 2370

YARD SALE 201 Apache Trail (behind Ruidoso Office Supply) Men's clothes, western & work boots, 12 spd Mountain bike, Color TV, VCRs, various furniture & REFRIGERS: 1997 Subaru, 1994 Chevy 4x4 Truck, 1995 Nissan Pathfinder 4x4, 1979 Datsun. Saturday, 7 am to 5 pm. 257-2817

A+ LAWN Service Mowing, weeding, pineneedles, gutters, and spread grass seed. Free Estimate. Day 910-3188 or 257-7609. Evening# 338-4619.

All Complete Yard Care. Tree removal, thinning, pruning, hauling, raking, mowing, gutters. Free estimates everyday. Referrals available. 257-5808

BABYSITTER IN YOUR HOME All Ages/Elderly Dependable, Own Car References 258-5028

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DEADLINE Positions are being filled immediately. INFORMATION For information regarding job qualifications, please call 505-378-4431. HOW TO APPLY Applications are available at the Receptionist Desk located on the 2nd floor of the Executive Offices. REQUIREMENTS Ruidoso Downs Race Track & Casino positions require licensing by the New Mexico Racing Commission (NMRC) and for the New Mexico Gaming Control Board (NMGCB), which will entail a background/criminal record investigation. All employees hired are subject to mandatory random drug screenings during employment. PAY Competitive Wages - Salary/Hourly Pay varies depending upon position applying for and experience relating to that position. RUIDOSO DOWNS RACE TRACK & CASINO IS A DRUG-FREE WORK ENVIRONMENT AS WELL AS AN EOE

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#4088 AT (5)15, 17, 22, 24

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VILLAGE OF CAPITAN REQUEST FOR BIDS- MAINTENANCE/UPKEEP OF CAPITAN CEMETERY GROUNDS The Village of Capitan Cemetery Board is seeking bids for the maintenance of the Village of Capitan Cemetery grounds. Bids will be accepted at Village Hall, P.O. Box 246, 114 Lincoln Ave., Capitan, NM 86316 until May 31, 2002, at 3:30 PM. Licensed contractors will be given preference. The Capitan Cemetery Board reserves the right to reject any bids. For copies of the Scope of Work and additional information, contact Nettie Nolan at Village Hall, 114 Lincoln Ave., Capitan, NM. 354-2247.

LEGAL DEADLINES

The County of Lincoln is requesting proposals for a contract for plumbing, heating and air conditioning (HVAC) maintenance services of

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#4071 4T (5)3, 10, 17, 24

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT No. CV00-168 BANK ONE, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, Plaintiff, vs. TRUDIE JORDAN aka TRUDIE CREWS and CHARLES EDWARD CREWS aka CHARLES JORDAN Defendants, and MONTGOMERY & ANDREWS, P.A., Intervenor, vs. TRUDIE JORDAN aka TRUDIE CREWS, Defendant-In-Intervention.

AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT on May 29, 2002, at the hour of 10:15 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 hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 26 St. Moritz Street, Ruidoso, and is situated in Lincoln County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows: LOT 26, INNSBROOK VILLAGE, RUIDOSO, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN BY THE REPLAT THEREOF FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO RECORDER OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, JUNE 30, 1975, IN TUBE NO. 557.

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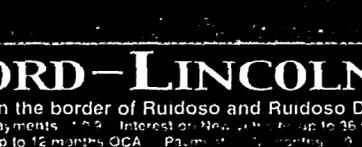
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# ¡VAMONOS!

## Artistic installation

New Mexico artists spruce up along Sudderth Drive

BY SANDY SUGGITT  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Big art has made it to the main drag of Ruidoso with the installation of three sculptures on Sudderth Drive this week, and the opening reception from 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Sunday at Crucis Art Bronze Foundry & Gallery, 524 Sudderth Drive.

The sculptures will be up through October. This is another first for the Ruidoso Arts Commission, which hopes to make it an annual event.

The call went out to artists from New Mexico and the region for the Outdoor Sculpture Exhibit. Two of the three sculptors are from Ruidoso and the other is from Tucumcari.

In the triangle between the hospital and Allsup's at 311 Sudderth Drive will be the sculptures of Ruidoso's Lay Powell and D'Jean Jawrunner of Tucumcari. In the triangle adjoining Allsup's, is the sculpture of Stephanie Huff.

**"There aren't too many armadillos here in New Mexico, but they are coming"**

Stephanie Huff sculptor

Lay Powell was born in Roswell, but Ruidoso has been home base for him for more than 20 years. He was trained as an archeological field illustrator, and his sculpture on Sudderth Drive looks like original Native American rock art. Called "From Birth through Life to the Stars," Powell's petroglyphs are taken from original ones from around the Southwest. The central image is from the Hohokam culture of Arizona;



Stephanie Huff, above, pulls her armadillo, "Rusty," by the tall at its installation. D'Jean Jawrunner's sculpture, "Here and Now," below, is made of cast aluminum with a steel base.

the stones to the left are from Galisteo Basin south of Santa Fe, and the stone to the right is from Petroglyph National Monument in Albuquerque.

Powell said that after making petroglyphs on stone for many years, he discovered a technique he calls "reverse image."

"I peck the negative space around the petroglyph, causing a reverse negative. With this, several negatives can be taken on handmade paper and pressing it into the stone. Now the paper looks like a real petroglyph and I can paint petroglyphs and make paper embossments."

The central rock of this sculpture took 2 1/2 years to make. The title is a metaphor on the Golden Means, Powell said.

"It is believed that after one's life is finished, you would become a star in the sky, while the stones you marked on are your journey to that point," he

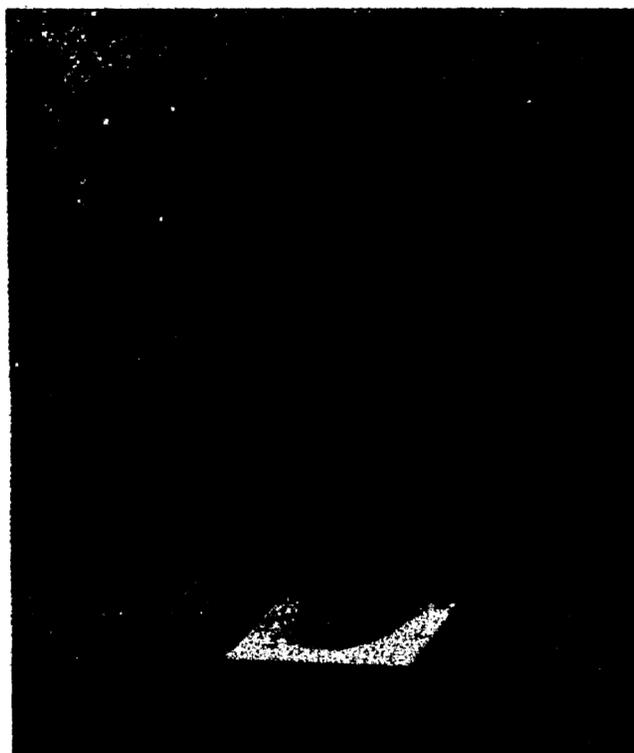
said. Stephanie Huff's armadillo sculpture, "Rusty," is on exhibit at the triangle next to the Allsup's at 311 Sudderth Drive.

Born in Austin, Texas, Huff got into metal arts as a hobby, making ranch-style decorative items for a new home, and the hobby grew into a business. She began wholesaling pieces across Texas and now exhibits her work in Ruidoso.

"Rusty" was born after Huff had been making small armadillos for some time and a friend suggested she make a big one. She did, and it was displayed at her store in Waco, Texas, with a saddle on, and people would have their pictures taken astride the critter.

"There aren't too many armadillos here in New Mexico," Huff said, "but they are coming." D'Jean Jawrunner has a master of fine arts in sculpture from East Carolina University in Greenville, N.C., and a bachelor of arts, cum laude, from the University of North Carolina at Wilmington. She's won many honors and awards, shown in many international, national and regional exhibitions, and had one-person shows at Harwood Art Center in Albuquerque, several in North Carolina and one at the Gate House in Leicester, England.

She took first place at the 1995-'96 Smooth-on, Inc.



International Mold Making and Casting Competition, and participated in the East Carolina University's Foreign Studies Program in Estonia at the First International Iron Pour in 1995. Jawrunner has exhibited at juried shows in Japan four

times, in Estonia five times, and in Germany, France and St. Petersburg, Russia. In the United States, Jawrunner has exhibited all over the country from 1993 on, taking awards at many of the shows.



Lay Powell, at right, is shown installing his sculpture, "From Birth through Life to the Stars" for the Outdoor Sculpture Exhibition on Sudderth Drive.

## It don't mean a thing if it ain't got that swing



Dave Barry  
DAVE'S WORLD  
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You don't think of swingers as being the type of people who hold conventions. By "swingers," I mean couples who swing with other couples. By "swing," I mean, you know exactly what I mean.

But my point is that you (and by "you," I mean "I") don't think of swingers as being big convention-goers. You think of them as hanging out at private parties, or exclusive swinger nightclubs, or secluded motels, or the Clinton White House. You don't picture swingers walking around large convention hotels wearing name badges and attending seminars, like executives in the forklift industry.

But it turns out that swingers do hold conventions. I know this because I went to one recently, at the Radisson Deauville hotel in Miami Beach. I was accompanied by my wife and a guy named Wally, who's in the insurance business.

This was not as kinky as it sounds. Wally had been the highest bidder in a charity auc-

tion. I assumed we would be going to a normal restaurant where everybody would be wearing clothes. But when I suggested to him that we could use the lunch as an opportunity to investigate — for journalism purposes — the swingers' convention, he readily agreed, despite the very real risk that we might see people, including women, wearing skimpy or nonexistent outfits. That is the kind of sacrifice some guys are willing to make for charity.

I also invited my wife to go along, so that I would not be walking into a swingers' convention accompanied only by an insurance executive named Wally. When I invited her, I made a hilarious joke, strictly kidding around in a humorous vein, about how maybe we would find a couple we'd want to swap with.

**NOTE TO HUSBANDS:** Never attempt to make this type of joke with your wife. This type of joke should be attempted only by trained humor professionals.

**NOTE TO TRAINED HUMOR PROFESSIONALS:**

Even then, it turns out to be a bad idea.

When Wally, my wife and I got to the swingers' hotel, we stopped off at the registration desk and picked up a copy of the illustrated convention guide, which I personally would have killed for when I was in ninth grade. It listed the various seminars, including "Introduction to Tantra," "The Myth of Monogamy," "Meeting New Friends on the Internet," "The Benefits and Mechanics of Long-Term Polyamory," and "Basic Forklift Maintenance."

I am of course kidding about that last one, but I am not kidding when I say that this entire hotel had been taken over by swingers, hundreds of them.

You could tell they were swingers because they were all wearing convention wristbands. In some cases, the wristband was the largest garment they were wearing. These were people of all ages and bodily types. Some had obviously spent a lot of time at the fitness club, whereas oth-

ers appeared to have recently eaten a fitness club.

We had lunch at a table looking out on the pool area. Our conversation consisted almost entirely of us taking turns saying, "Ohmigod look at THAT." We tried to be cool about it, but it is not easy to look cool when you're sticking a spoonful of soup in your ear because your head has just whirled sideways so your eyeballs could keep track of a passing thong.

The thong appears to be a major weapon in the swinger's fashion arsenal. This is not necessarily a good thing. Your taut-bodied individual may be able to pull it off (Har!), but when you see a portly middle-aged man who has more body hair than a musk ox AND (I swear) a tattoo of Elvis on his right butt cheek stroll past wearing essentially a No. 8 rubber band, you begin to think that maybe it's time Congress enacted strict Federal Thong Control.

Attire aside, most of the swingers seemed to be regular people. In fact, according to a

story about the convention in The Miami Herald, the two most common professions for swingers are police officer and teacher.

This stunned me, especially the teachers. I mean, remember when you were a kid, and you were shocked whenever you saw a teacher at, say, the supermarket, because you didn't think of teachers as having any existence outside of school, or even necessarily as being food-eating life forms? Well, imagine if you encountered your trigonometry teacher wearing a garment that left absolutely nothing to the imagination regarding the cosine OR the hypotenuse.

I think that, as parents, we should be concerned about the fact this type of individual is being employed in our schools. Maybe we should notify the police.

No, wait.  
(Dave Barry is a columnist for the Miami Herald. Write to him c/o The Miami Herald, One Herald Plaza, Miami, FL 33132.)

# The good guys and the bad guys, part 2

While George Scarborough was breathing his last at his home in Deming on April 5, 1900, Sheriff Ed Beeler and two deputies were in hot pursuit of the killers. Scarborough had been a highly respected and well-liked lawman, and now still another posse, in addition to Beeler's, was in pursuit. This one had been formed by Scarborough's son, George Jr., known as "Ed," and he, along with two other men, left Deming with blood in their eyes and loaded for bear.

As Beeler and his men followed the trail into Old Mexico without benefit of legalities, Red Weaver and the man known as Jim Lowe, but who was really Butch Cassidy, were taken from the jail at St. Johns and removed to Socorro. There, court proceedings were held — mostly for Red Weaver, who everyone thought was suspicious-looking, quite unlike his friend Jim Lowe, who, everyone agreed, truly "had the way with him." Cassidy's — Lowe's — story was a good one and it checked out, giving the citizens the opportunity to release the well-spoken and very friendly Jim Lowe, who they all liked enormously, and who promptly disappeared. They had, in the final analysis, elected to keep a minnow and throw the whale back.

### Dispersal

I'd like to be able to tell you that the good guys caught up with the bad guys and after a wild shootout, justice was

umpned. Unfortunately though, this was real life and not a movie. So, despite all of the posses out searching for them, the hunt for the desperadoes proved to be fruitless, kind of... I mean, it's not like they got away scot free... we just have to follow their individual destinies...

But not just yet. Sheriff Beeler was a determined man and finally tracked the five outlaws to a camp near Globe, Ariz., and, after a brief gun battle, took one of them, Tod Carver (no relation to Will) into custody. But, in one of those instances where the justice system doesn't seem to work, Carver, whose real name was Hilliard, supplied the authorities with an alibi, and despite the fact that he admitted to knowing the other outlaws, he was released. He promptly rejoined his partners in crime.

Three weeks later, the same five outlaws lay in wait for more lawmen. This time, Sheriff Jesse Tyler of Grand County, Utah, and his deputy, Sam Jenkins, who were in pursuit of the men who had killed LeSeuer, Gibbons and Scarborough, rode into another ambush. Neither man rode out. Deeply chagrined over the fact that they had released Tod Carver, authorities circulated his description far and wide. These five desperadoes, of whom Carver was one, had now killed a total of five lawmen in three states/territories.

### A threat

Sheriff Ed Beeler had been

on the desperadoes' trail for months now, and he was frustrated. According to the Salt Lake Herald, Beeler was quoted as saying, "these cowardly villains shot my friends... these fellows may as well fight me... my turn will come." Tragically, Beeler's turn *did* come, just not the way he hoped.

On April 11, 1901, just outside St. Johns, the Sheriff was ambushed, just like all the others before him, and killed. It was theorized that the outlaws had gone out of their way to kill him after reading his remarks in the newspapers.

Finally, more than two months later, one of the many posses that had been hunting these men for so long hit paydirt in the form of Tod Carver. Ed Scarborough, along with his two deputies, arrested Carver for the murders of LeSeuer, Gibbons, Tyler and Jenkins — but not Scarborough's father, George. It was agreed that it was the other Carver — Will — who had killed the elder Scarborough.

Tod Carver, who was destined to be the only man ever arrested in the case of the six dead lawmen, was quite popular — in a manner of speaking — with the authorities in a number of places, all of whom wanted to get their hands on him. After spending some time in the St. Johns jail, Carver was extradited to Utah for the murder of the two Utah lawmen.

Ultimately, and to the horror of many of the men who had pursued him, he was released for lack of evidence — and vanished.

### Other fates

Red Weaver, the "wannabe" who had been arrested with

Butch Cassidy, drifted back to Alma, where, unlike Cassidy, Weaver had never been popular. In fact, Weaver doesn't seem to have been popular *anywhere*. On April 8, 1901, Weaver was behaving like a boor at a local dance, particularly to one young lady. When her uncle, a man known as "Pad" Holliman, had words with him about it, Weaver decided to go for his gun. It's funny how those things seem to work. Weaver was the so-called "desperado," and Holliman just a local guy, but sometimes good really does win out and Weaver fell extremely dead at Holliman's feet, to absolutely no one's regret.

Not all of the other five desperadoes who had wreaked such havoc and killed all those lawmen were forced to pay the ultimate price for their crimes, though. In addition to Tod Carver, whose fate is unknown, there was Will Carver. As I mentioned earlier, he died in a hail of bullets while resisting arrest in Sonora, Texas, on April 2, 1901, bringing to an end the weird chain of death that went from John Wesley Hardin to John Selman, to George Scarborough, and finally, to Carver.

Another of the outlaws, Jess Black, disappeared just as cleanly as Tod Carver. Sometimes we like to think that certain outlaws who appeal to us "got away." There are a whole lot of people who will not believe that Billy the Kid, Jesse James and many other famous desperadoes were killed as history says they were. (Heck, we historians don't know anything — the conspiracy theorists have it right. Billy and Jesse *did* get away.

As a matter of fact they are living with Elvis... but I digress...)

Anyway, what I was ultimately getting around to saying was that it is a shame that Black and Tod Carver were never brought to justice. And Tom Capehart, even though he ultimately settled down (in Dallas) and became a contributing member of society, should have been brought to trial, too.

The last was a fellow going by the name of "Mack Steen." This was an alias for Ben Kilpatrick, another noted Wild Bunch member. (Both Kilpatrick and Will Carver are in the infamous "Fort Worth Five" photograph that shows

them with Cassidy, the Sundance Kid and Harvey Logan, aka Kid Curry.)

Ben Kilpatrick met quite the ignominious end while attempting to rob a train on March 13, 1912. Kilpatrick foolishly turned his back on an alert express guard who promptly bashed his brains out with a large, wooden ice mallet. (A collector friend of mine owns this mallet and it is *truly* nasty looking.) When Kilpatrick's partner in crime entered the car, the express messenger killed him, too.

And of course, who *doesn't* know what happened to Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid? See GOMBER, page 4C



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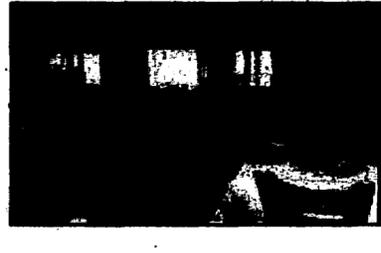
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- St. Theresa Catholic Church**  
Corona. Sunday Mass: 6 p.m.
- St. Joseph Apache Mission**  
Mescalero. Father Paul Botenbagen. Sunday Mass: 10:30 a.m.
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106 Alpine Village Road, 258-3659, 336-7076. Dom. Reunion Publica 1:00 p.m.; Estudio de la Atalaya
- 1:50 p.m. Mart: Escuela del Ministerio Teocratico 7 p.m.; Reunion de servicio 7:50 p.m.; Juev. Estudio de libro 7:00 p.m.
- LUTHERAN MO. Synod**  
Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church  
1126 Hull Road, 258-4191, 257-5296. Kevin L. Krohn, Pastor. Sunday: Worship 8:30 a.m. (May-Oct.), 10:30 a.m.; Sun. School & Adult Bible Class 9:30 a.m. Thurs. Eve. Bible Study, 7:00 p.m., call for location.
- 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., 10:55 a.m.
- PENTECOSTAL**  
The Apostles of Lincoln County  
Cornerstone Square, 613 Sudderth, 354-4906 or 430-6654. Pastor, Art Dunn. Sat. evening worship 6 p.m.
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Angus Church of the Nazarene  
Angus, 12 miles north of Ruidoso on Hwy. 48, 336-3024. Charles Hill, 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.
- PRESBYTERIAN**  
First Presbyterian Church  
101 Sutton Drive (Nob Hill), Ruidoso, 257-2220.  
Cathy E. Caudle, Pastor. Sunday: Church school 9:30 a.m.; worship 11 a.m. Potluck fellowship after worship the third Sunday of every month.  
Mountain Ministry  
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Corona Presbyterian Church  
Reverend Scott King. Sunday: Church School, 10 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.
- Nogal Presbyterian Church  
Reverend Bill Sebring. Adult Sunday School: 10 a.m.; worship 11 a.m.
- REFORMED CHURCH**  
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Mescalero. Bob Schut, Pastor. Sunday: Church school 9:30 a.m.; worship 10:30 a.m. Mon: junior high youth 6:30 p.m. Wed: high school meeting 7 p.m. Thur: Kids Club (grades 1-5) 3:30.
- SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST**  
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207 Parkway, Agua Fria, Ruidoso Downs, 378-4161. Pastor Earl Robertson 505-439-0760; Assoc. Pastor Wilburn Morrow 622-1206. Saturday: Sabbath school 9:30 a.m.; Church service: 11 a.m. Wednesday: Prayer meeting 7 p.m.
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139 El Paso Rd., Ruidoso, 257-2324. Pastor Carlos Carmon. Reunion General Jueves 7:00 p.m.; Domingo 10:00 a.m. Club Amistad Sabado 11:00 a.m. (niños).
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Ruidoso Downs, 378-9464. Al and Marty Lane, Pastors. Sunday: 8:00 Sun a.m., 10:45 a.m., Children's ministries concurrent with late Sunday Services. Sat. outreach at 1pm, at church.  
Thursday: 7 p.m.  
Cornerstone Church  
Cornerstone Square, 613 Sudderth Drive, 257-9265.  
John & Joy Wyatt, Pastors. Sunday School, 9:45. Church, 10:30 a.m.; 6:30 p.m. with Children's Church Sun. Eve. Handicap Services 11 a.m. Wed. Leadership Class 6 p.m. & Prayer 7 p.m. Wed. Bible Study Adult 7 p.m. Thurs. and Youth, Thurs. 7 p.m.  
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Alto North, 336-7075. Jeanette Price, Pastor. Morning chapel: 6:50 a.m. (Sept. - June); Sun. Service: 11 a.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.

### CAPITAN CHURCHES

- BAPTIST**  
Trinity Southern Baptist Church (south on Highway 48) Mt. Capitlan Rd. 354-2044. Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.; Worship: 11 a.m.; AWANA: Sunday 4-6 p.m.
- CATHOLIC**  
Sacred Heart Catholic Church  
Capitlan, 354-9102. Saturday Mass: 5 p.m.; Sunday Mass: 9 a.m.; Monday Adoration: 7 p.m.
- CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Capitlan - Highway 48. Lea Barwood, Minister. Sunday Bible study: 10 a.m.; Sunday worship: 11 a.m.; 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible study: 7 p.m.
- FOUR SQUARE**  
Capitlan Four Square Church  
Highway 48. Captain. Harold W. Perry, Pastor. Sunday School: 10 a.m.; Sunday worship: 11 a.m., 7 p.m.; Wednesday Bible study: 7 p.m.
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Capitan United Methodist Church  
Pastor Johannes Anderson and the congregation of Capitan United Methodist Church welcome Lincoln County residents and visitors alike to attend Bible Study Sunday morning at 8:30 followed by worship service at 9:10. Communion is offered during worship on the first Sunday of every month, and a potluck luncheon is served the third Sunday at 12:30. White Oaks and Third in Capitlan. 358-648-2846.
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Christ Community Fellowship  
Capitlan, Highway 380 West, 354-2156. Ed Vison, Pastor. Sunday school, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday worship, 10:30 a.m.

### CARRIZOZO CHURCHES

- ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
The Word of Life Church  
Rev. Chuck Fulton, pastor/648-2339. 711. E. Ave., Carrizozo, NM. Affiliated w/the Evangelistic Assembly Church. Sunday 7:00 pm.
- BAPTIST**  
First Baptist Church  
Harold Smith, Pastor. Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.; Sunday worship: 11 a.m., 7:15 p.m.; Church training: 6:30 p.m. Sunday
- CATHOLIC**  
Santa Rita Catholic Church  
648-2853. Father Dave Berge, Pastor. Saturday Mass: 6:30 p.m.; Sunday Mass: 11 a.m.; Tuesday Adult Bible Study: 6 p.m.
- CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Perry Zambrak, minister. Ave. C at 12th, Carrizozo, NM. Sunday School 10:00 a.m.; Worship Service 11:00 a.m.; Evening Worship 1:15 pm; Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm.
- EPISCOPAL**  
St. Matthias Episcopal Chapel  
Carrizozo, 6th & E Street. Sunday: Holy Eucharist 9:30 a.m.
- METHODIST**  
United Methodist Church Parish  
Trinity - 1000 D. Ave. 648-2893/648-2846. Carrizozo. Johanna Anderson, pastor. Sunday school 10:00 a.m.; Sunday worship 11:00 a.m. & Choir Practice (Times) 6:30 pm; United Methodist Women Every 3rd Wed. 1:00 pm; Fellowship Dinner 4th Sun. of month 12:30 pm.
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# Carrizozo kids learn about life outside of New Mexico

Did you know that New Mexico has a state question (red or green)? That Kansas has one of windiest cities in the U.S.? That Maine's popular activity for tourists and locals is whale-watching? That the horse is the state animal of New Jersey and a horse's head is on the state seal? That when Arizona's state bird, the cactus wren, sings it makes a sound like a small train engine?



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

I learned fascinating facts by reading the written reports of Carrizozo fourth- and fifth-graders, who participated in a semester project. The colorful board displays of the states were shown and judged by students and staff in the high school hall. Teachers Rima Davis and Anne Serna told their students that they could glean information for their displays from travel brochures, magazines, books and

the Internet.

They found facts on state symbols, climate, culture, manufacturing and much more. The students used assorted materials and media to present their findings: pictures, photographs, postcards, food items, graphs, charts, captions, lettering, borders, magazines and construction paper.

Three fourth-grade students placed First, Second and Third: Alexa Borowski - Hawaii; Derrick Vinson - Wyoming; and Tanner Huston - Alaska. One of Alexa's rewards for placing first was to serve as school principal for the day.

According to the various students, here are assorted facts and figures about some places in our United States:

- Industry, agriculture, poli-

tics, and other businesses make New York a place where people still go today to try and make their fortune.

• Montana has more deer, elk and pronghorn antelope than it does people.

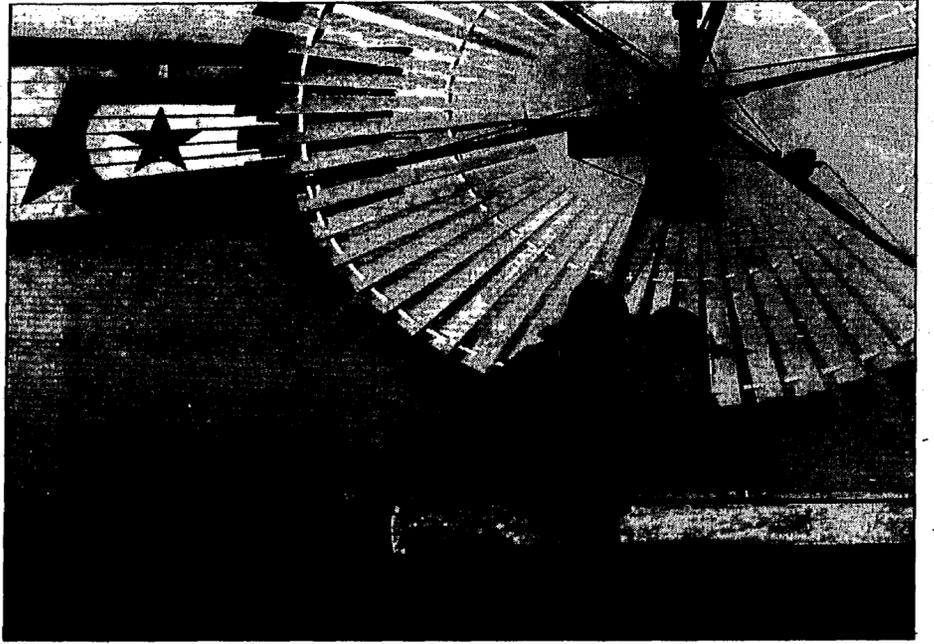
• North Carolina is known as the Tar Heel State, from a Civil War story that made fun of soldiers that fled during hard battles. The state produces tar, so it was said that tar would be placed on the heels of soldiers to make them stick and fight.

• Missouri's nickname is the "Show-Me" state. After a state representative gave a speech in 1899, this nickname was supposed to remind the residents to know all the facts before they make decisions.

• California's motto is "Eureka!" which translates to "I have found it." Miners said "Eureka!" when they found gold.

• Fourth-grader Carlos Samora admitted that he chose the state of Colorado for his report because the Denver Broncos are his favorite football team.

## LOOKING BACK



COURTESY

A Gordon Snidow retrospective exhibition, "My Story," will open at the Hubbard Museum of the American West on Friday, May 24. Snidow has been chronicling the life of the cowboy for more than 40 years, and is a charter and emeritus member of the Cowboy Artists of America.

## Fiber fest showcases handmade products, techniques

BY SANDY SUGGITT  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER



COURTESY JOHN T. SODEN

Ralph Dunlap will demonstrate different spinning techniques at Saturday's fiber festival.

Shearers, weavers, spinners and basket makers will demonstrate their skills at the first ever Natural Fiber Festival from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday in historic Lincoln.

Only natural fibers and all-handmade items will be exhibited, and all the exhibitors will sell their handmade items.

"Georgie Girl," a one-week-old lamb from Richards Ranch, will be there, and demonstrations of wool shearing and dyeing, using fruit and berries, will take place. Other demonstrations include Ralph Dunlap on spinning techniques, and Sue Mannes on spinning and weaving blankets.

Musical entertainment will be available under the yellow tent. On Saturday, Pat McCarthy from Alto and Ron Becker from

Carrizozo will play soft rock and music from the 1930s and 1940s. Kerry Anderson from Capitan will play on her handmade dulcimers, Mark Remington will sing cowboy songs and Lanny Maddox will play his Indian flute and electric bagpipe. On Sunday, Bob and Jane Fistori from Deming will play mandolins, Michael Beyer will sing and play guitar and Tony Hockman from Camp Sierra Blanca will play violin.

For food, there are now two restaurants in Lincoln: La Cocina and the Wortley Hotel.

The festival, which may become an annual event, is sponsored by the Rural Economic Development Through Tourism Project and the Lincoln County Rural Tourism Council. REDTT is a program of New Mexico State University's Cooperative Extension Program and promotes agriculture through tourism.

## Child's Play

### 'Child's Play'

A new exhibit is on display in the east wing of the Tunstall store in Lincoln by Hugh and Linda Fox called "Child's Play."

The exhibit is composed of items from the late 1800s to 1930, including books, photos, dolls, train cars and sets, china, clothing and miniatures of adult items, to show what children used for play and for instruction on grown up life.

Two completely furnished doll houses and a church are in the display, and an assortment of stuffed bears, elephants, giraffes and "the wildest looking rabbit you ever saw," according to Hugh Fox.

### Denim Day

The Guild of the Spencer Theater will hold its second Denim Day Games from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. May 29 at the Spencer Theater, beginning with a "Welcome Period," with Mimosas and an appetizer table. A luncheon will be served at noon in the Founder's Club and at 1 p.m., the games begin.

The cost is \$30 per person and should be sent to Mrs. Rodney Matthews, 201 Snowcap Drive, Ruidoso, NM 88345

The money from this event supports Jimmy Williamson, a flutist student from Gillette, Wyo., part of an annual scholarship project for a promising young artist.

## GOMBER: A long, deadly Western path comes to a conclusion

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### Kid?

### Epilogue

What was it all about? It started with a bank robbery in Las Cruces and then seemed to balloon, leaving dead men all over the place. A total of six lawmen were killed. The authorities managed to capture Butch Cassidy and then release him, all the time unaware of his true identity. Would it have been better to have let the outlaws just get away? From the perspective of the dead lawmen, definitely.

But that isn't the way society works. If we let people get away with things like that, then chaos will ensue. I hear a lot of complaints about modern lawmen - and some of them, I must admit, are valid - but in the final analysis, it is they and they alone who stand between us and the jungle.

Sources: A Deadly Year by Donna Ernst; National Association for Outlaw and Lawman History Quarterly and The Encyclopedia of Western Gunfighters by Bill O'Neal.

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# New gallery set to debut Saturday evening in Alto

## Out-of-town and area creations to be at Jack of All Arts Gallery

BY SANDY SUGGITT  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

More action for the arts of the area just popped up in Alto, in the A-frame building next to Alto Ski Shop across from the new Shell station, featuring fine art from all over the world and that of five local artists. The Jack of All Arts Gallery grand opening is from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, and the area around the gallery will have outdoor sculpture and a 10-by-30 tent with wine and cheese to celebrate.

Gallery owner Steve Duffy began looking for the perfect space for an art gallery in the Ruidoso area seven years ago, after opening his Jack of All Arts Gallery in Madrid about 10 years ago and Gallery Blue in Santa Fe a year and a half ago. Four years ago, he lived in Nogal full-time and looked for a place to open a gallery, but didn't find what he was looking for. Now he has.

"Personally, I'm just in love with the area," Duffy said. "It's more green; it speaks to me personally. I had driven through about seven years ago and Nogal Canyon just swept me away ... It's a true spiritual connection with the area."

The gallery exhibits the work of several glasswork artists, including the copper enamel mosaic quilts of Craig Ruwe of Madrid, which will be a main staple. These brilliantly colored pieces are made of glass fused to copper in patchwork quilt designs, photographic series and contemporary abstract grids.

The fused glasswork of Melissa Haid of

Chimayo uses layers of recycled glass with silver and gold mica or Czech glass beads inlaid between the layers.

From Granada, Spain, the gallery carries the work of Xaverio, who pulverizes precious gems, minerals, earth, resins and pigments that are painted onto his spherical pieces. Now Alto has something in common with the Princess Diana of Wales and the Tyssen collections, and the permanent collection of the Capitol Art Foundation at the State Capitol in Santa Fe, where he also exhibits.

The stone and bronze sculptures of Angel Treat Lyon, who now lives in New Zealand, and the three-dimensional totems and paintings by South African artist Jennifer Newman are also featured at Jack of All Arts Gallery.

Locally, the highly imaginative wood sculptures and furniture of Nogal's Georgia and Michael Lagg will take their place in the gallery and on the grounds, as well as the photographs of Jan and Dave Houser and the ceramics of Capitan's Jerald Flores.

"I think the consciousness surrounding the arts (in the area) is growing, and I want to be a part of that," Duffy said. "It's exciting. Between Zozo and Studio W, which is going to be opening in August, even though it's not an art destination, it's a beautiful place and I think arts should be a part of the beauty."

The doors will open at 11 a.m. Saturday and the grand opening is from 4 to 7 p.m. Regular gallery hours through the summer will be from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Friday through Monday or by appointment by calling 336-1111.

**"I think the consciousness surrounding the arts is growing, and I want to be a part of that."**

Steve Duffy  
Alto gallery owner



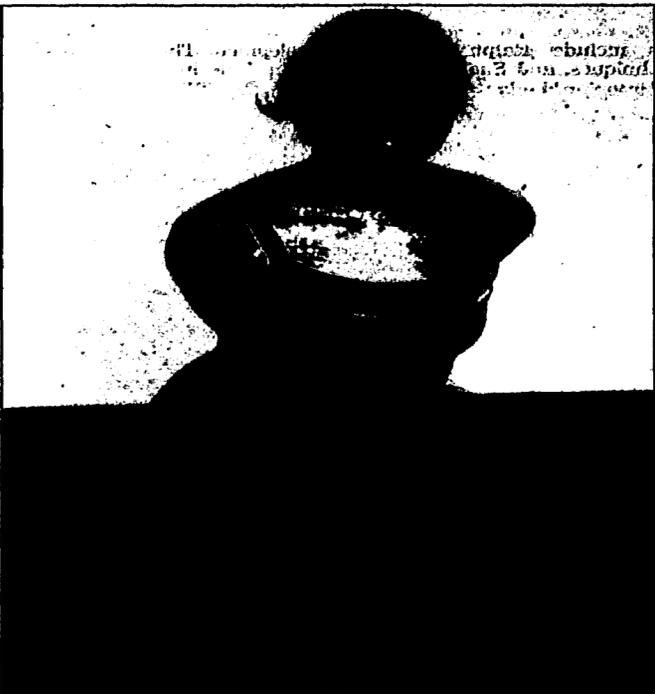
SANDY SUGGITT/STAFF

Steve Duffy, above, holds up a photograph by Nogal's Dave G. Houser, with enamel mosaics by Craig Ruwe of Madrid beside and behind him.

"Aku" is by Xaverio of Granada, Spain, whose minimalist work is housed in the Princess Diana of Wales collection — as well as around New Mexico, at the Jack of All Arts galleries in Alto and Madrid, and Gallery Blue in Santa Fe. All art owned by Duffy.



# 'Wholistic' fair has full slate set for Saturday



SANDY SUGGITT/STAFF

Myra Romero, who operates The Yoga Studio in Ruidoso, will give a presentation on basic yoga at the Wholistic Renaissance Fair Saturday in Alto.

Arts and crafts, music and dancing are planned for the event at High Mesa Healing Center.

BY SANDY SUGGITT  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The Wholistic Renaissance Fair is from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at High Mesa Healing Center in Alto, with presenters of healing modalities from the region and beyond, dancing, music and more than 35 booths of arts and crafts.

Ascendance of Roswell will perform belly dancing in the ancient way and Zoe de Negri will give animals readings. Simultaneous lectures will be given in the yurt and on the patio.

The booths include everything from Tarot and animal readings to charcoal portraits and papier mache sculpture, and demonstrations of various healing modalities. Musicians will perform all day and food will be available. Admission is free.

In the Yurt:

- 10:30 a.m.: Basic Yoga, Myra Romero (Ruidoso)
- 11 a.m.: Interactive Guided Imagery, Jane Butterworth (Alamogordo)
- Noon: Making Your Own Healing Oils, Kathleen Oweegon (Santa Fe)
- 1 p.m.: Out of the Ordinary Holistic Approach to Health Care, Janet Perone (T or C)
- 2 p.m.: Naturopathy & Live Blood Cells, Carol Donaldson (Pa.)
- 3 p.m.: Quantum Movement, Marisa Coates (Roswell)

- On the Patio:
- 11 a.m.: Natural Vision Renewal, Sandy White, (Ruidoso)
- Noon: Overview of the Melchizedek Level I & II, Joan Ernst (Capitan)

- 1 p.m.: Holographic Education & Self Development in Schools, Jamie Crawford (Light Institute)
- 2 p.m.: The Indigo Children, Linday Lizar (Okla.)

The fair will conclude at 4 p.m. with Dawn Greenwald of Tularosa leading a toning circle of gratitude, followed by a drumming circle led by Matt Balarama of Roswell.

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### CHIROPRACTIC OUTLOOK

by Dr. Jack V. Waters  
Chiropractic Physician

**FITFUL SLEEP LEADS TO MORNING SORENESS**

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## THIS WEEK'S MOVIES

**Star Wars: Episode II - Attack of the Clones**  
Science Fiction/Fantasy, 2 hrs. 12 min.  
Rated PG for sustained sequences of sci-fi action/violence.  
Ten years after the events of *The Phantom Menace*, not only has the galaxy undergone significant change, but so have our familiar heroes Obi-Wan Kenobi (Ewan McGregor), Padmé Amidala (Natalie Portman) and Anakin Skywalker (Hayden Christensen) as they are thrown together again for the first time since the Trade Federation Invasion of Naboo. Anakin has grown into the accomplished Jedi apprentice of Obi-Wan, who himself has transitioned from student to teacher. The two Jedi are assigned to protect Padmé whose life is threatened by a faction of political separatists. As relationships form and powerful forces collide, these heroes face choices that will impact not only their own fates, but the destiny of the Republic.  
Starring: Ewan McGregor, Natalie Portman, Hayden Christensen, Christopher Lee, Frank Oz  
Directed by: George Lucas  
Produced by: Rick McCallum  
Written by: George Lucas, Jonathan Hales  
Showtimes: Noon; 3:15 p.m.; 6:30 p.m.; 9:30 p.m.  
Friday and Saturday only.

**Rosenberg, Neil Ruttenberg**  
Showtimes: 12:30 p.m.; 3:45 p.m.; 6:45 p.m.; 9:20 p.m.  
Friday and Saturday only.

**Unfaithful**  
Thriller, 2 hrs. 01 min.  
Rated R for sexuality, language and a scene of violence.  
From the director of "Fatal Attraction" comes an erotic thriller about the body language of guilt, centering on a couple living in the New York City suburbs whose marriage goes dangerously awry when the wife indulges in an adulterous fling.  
Starring: Richard Gere, Diane Lane, Olivier Martinez, Erik Per Sullivan, Myra Taylor  
Directed by: Adrian Lyne  
Produced by: Adrian Lyne, G Mac Brown  
Written by: Alvin Sargent, William Broyles Jr., Stephen Schiff, Susannah Grant  
Showtimes: 1 p.m.; 4:15 p.m.; 7 p.m.; 9:15 p.m.



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**Spider-Man**  
Action/Adventure, 2 hrs. 01 min.  
Rated PG-13 for stylized violence and action.  
Based on the legendary flagship character of Marvel comics, this is the story of Peter Parker, a student living with his Aunt May and Uncle Ben after the death of his parents who has grown young. He's an avid student with a touch-less-the-guitar attitude and a knack for bad luck. When a freak accident miraculously grants him incredible spider-like abilities, he must learn to use them into the amazing Spider-Man. Peter will find that there's a fine line between an ordinary man and an extraordinary hero, and he'll have to be the one to cross it.  
Starring: Tobey Maguire, Kirsten Dunst, William Baltch, James Franco, J.K. Simmons  
Directed by: Sam Raimi  
Produced by: Grant Curtis, Ken Bryce, Leszek Zolnowski  
Written by: Alvin Sargent, David Koepp, Stan Lee, Scott

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# HOME & FAMILY



"Big sister" Helen Serbousek takes a picture of "little sister" Nikki Busby on a Sunday hike on Crest Trail.

## Big Brothers... Big Sisters

Matching youngsters with unrelated adult 'siblings' under a well-established local program offers benefits — for all — on many levels.

BY SANDY SUGGITT  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Bill Lucas and his "little brother," Jesse Del Rio, spend time together at Funtrackers, or at Lucas' home, where he is studying a map of the United States. Helen Serbousek and her "little sister," Nikki Busby, 12, like walking, hiking and rappelling. Georgia Legg and her "little sister," Molly Mulbrey, work on crafts together, and Michael Legg and his "little brother," Michael Mulbrey, play ball.

They aren't biological siblings, but part of the Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Lincoln County program, a nonprofit effort that was organized locally in 1995 to pair up volunteer adults with children age 6 to 17, usually from single-parent families.

Bill and Jesse have been getting together at least twice a month for the past four years. Bill got involved because his wife is on the board of Big Brothers/Big Sisters. Occasionally the two visit the Valley of Fires, Monjeau or go for picnics at Two Rivers Park. Occasionally they go to pawn shops in search of things that don't work.

"He calls pawn shops and asks if they have things that don't work," Bill said. "He takes them apart and even if they won't work, he hooks them up to things that do work."

Jesse likes to make jewelry, and when he gets together with his "big brother," he takes some along and tries to sell it — complete with a three-month warranty, he said. Last year, the two attended the Esteban concert at the Spencer Theater, and the drummer gave Jesse a cymbal on which he'd written "God bless you." Jesse said he enjoys having Bill as his big brother because he gets to go to different places and learn different things. Bill said he enjoys it and hopes it's going to make a difference in the boy's life.

Helen and Nikki have been "big" and "little" sisters for only six weeks, but they were paired up because they like to walk and hike and they both like sports.

Helen learned of the program through her best friend, who is part of the program in Florida. She moved to Ruidoso six years ago, where she had neither family nor best friend, and decided to try out being a big sister.

Nikki, an only child, said her mother had heard about the program, and she knew I'd always want-

ed a brother or sister, and she asked me if I wanted to do it," she said. "At first I didn't want to, then my friends started to ditch me so I started thinking about it and said yes."

The first time they got together, they colored Easter eggs, something Helen wouldn't have done otherwise. The next time, they walked along the river in Middtown because Nikki wanted to find some new places to hike. Helen went to Nikki's gymnastic meet and watched her perform on the bars and beams.

"I love it," Helen said. "I like having somebody to go hiking with and talk to."

"It's a lot more fun than being by yourself and without rotting your brain with cartoons and junk food," Nikki said.

A less common pairing of "bigs and littles" is that of the Leggs, wood sculptors in Nogal, with siblings Molly and Michael, age 8 and 12, respectively. Because of the potential for couples becoming surrogate parents, they usually aren't matched with siblings, Georgia said, but an exception was made, and these matches worked well.

"It's been so positive — absolutely remarkable for us to have those kids in our lives and to know they are part of our family," Georgia said. "They call this their home. They're like little treasures for us. This program is incredible."

Michael Legg said he'd felt the need to be a part of a child's life because he and Georgia don't have children. He works at home and wanted someone to do things with, he said.

"Working at home just puts me out here by myself for the most part and it's good to have a reason to get out there and do things with somebody. As it turns out, he seems to want to come here and play more often than he wants to go out," he said. The two Mikes play catch, football and baseball, and big Michael is teaching little Michael to drive.

Molly was matched with Georgia because she loves to draw and wants to be an artist when she grows up, and the two do crafts together. Georgia has taught her to weave, do wire art and paint.

"We go out to the lake, sit up under the tree; we play with the animals," Georgia said. "At my house, we've got goats, chickens, pigeons, ducks. We enjoy just being in the barn playing with the animals."

Sometimes the four go on outings together. In

## Tournament time

The 7th Annual Big Brothers/Big Sisters Golf Tournament May 23 is one of the major fundraisers for Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Lincoln County.

"We need more teams to sign up and volunteers to help the day of the tournament," said Susann Blackman, case manager for the program. "If you don't play golf, you can purchase dinner tickets and come by and play in all these games we have, and we'll be awarding prizes."

A "shotgun start" will open the tournament in a four-person scramble format at 12:30 p.m. May 23 at Cree Meadows Golf & Country Club. After playing, participants will gather at the Clubhouse for dinner, awards presentations and games of chance. The cost is \$75 per player or \$300 per team for the greens fee, cart, dinner and donation to Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Lincoln County. Dinner for non-golfers is \$10. The first 40 to sign up will receive a Big Brothers/Big Sisters "United We Stand" T-shirt.

Entry forms must be returned by Monday, May 20. The tournament is sponsored by the Ruidoso Board of Realtors and the Ruidoso News. For information on joining as a sponsor, call Sheri Bailey, Ruidoso Board of Realtors at 257-4750.



"Big brother" Bill Lucas and "little brother" Jesse Del Rio often go to Two Rivers Park where Jessip plays in the stream.

April they celebrated little brother Mike's birthday by going to the Santa Fe Children's Museum. Another time, they took the Spencer Theater up on its "Angels" program, which donates spare tickets to "bigs and littles," and went to see "Titanic."

"We were the only pairs that took them up on it," Michael Legg said. "It was a really great thing to do with them, just go out on an outing. It was pretty special ... I think the kids really enjoyed it."

All of the adult participants said they see these relationships as lifelong ones, even when the "littles" get big and move away.

"I want to see if I can help (Jesse) grow into a position of being responsible for himself and taking care of himself," Bill said.

"I look at it as a lifetime relationship, myself," Michael Legg said. "If he happened to move out (of the area), I still imagine being in contact with him for as long as I live."

Susann Blackman, who became case manager of the Big Brothers/Big Sisters program in January, said it takes about two weeks to have a volunteer ready to introduce to a potential little brother or sister. Children are referred to the program through teachers, counselors, other "littles," Children Youth and Family Division and word-of-mouth. Volunteers go through an interview, a screening process and home visits so the parents know their children are safe, Blackman said. Then a meeting of the big and little is set up, usually at the office in Lincoln Towers. If they decide they want to try it, they finish up the paperwork and usually get together within two weeks, often the following weekend.

"We try to be very careful in making quality matching," Blackman said. "We hook them up with somebody they have a lot in common with; we're not just into quantity. We want something that we hope will develop into a lifetime relationship."

The nonprofit organization asks for a one-year commitment from the volunteer, and Blackman speaks to the big, the little or the parent of the little every month to see how they're all feeling about the relationship and coach them through any communication glitches that may arise.

Right now there are seven little brothers and sisters who need big ones. To get involved in the life of a child, call Blackman at 259-4185.

## looking back

LINCOLN COUNTY SCRAPBOOK

Mar 16, 1952

### Airport lighting for free

Mayor W. D. Ratliff announced this week the village of Ruidoso received word from the Civil Aeronautics Administration that the lighting system at Engle, N.M., airport, which is being abandoned, would be given to this city free of charge (except transportation and setting up). ...Ralph Brown, operator of Brown Air Service, and Milas McCoy immediately went to Engle ... and returned with high enthusiasm over the project.

Mar 18, 1962

### Williams reports on budget

W. C. (Dub) Williams attended the budget hearing of the Ruidoso Municipal Schools May 7 and was the official representative of the Ruidoso Teachers Association at Carrizozo.

Williams reported that this year for the first time, the local school boards and the director of public school finance act as the budget commission for each school district.

Mar 19, 1972

### Kentucky Fried coming

A nationally recognized chain restaurant and carry-out store, the "Kentucky Fried Chicken," it was formally announced here Wednesday, will open in Ruidoso in the Gateway area, around July 15.

The new restaurant will be located on the Sudderth Drive property that is the location of the former Taco Bar.

The announcement was made by Robert H. Mott, Farmington.

It was noted that up to 15 employees will be hired locally.

Mar 20, 1982

### County sub-office planned

Lincoln County commissioners approved a proposal Tuesday to purchase a one-and-a-half-acre tract of land north of the Ruidoso Municipal Administrative Center for construction of a county courthouse sub-office. The county will purchase the land from the village for \$75,000.

Mar 21, 1992

### New museum welcomed

With almost every exhibit in place, the new Anne C. Stradling Museum of the Horse was ready for its first sneak preview for community members on Wednesday afternoon.

The grand opening of the Museum of the Horse will be heralded with a gala celebration Saturday at the museum. Music, dancing, good food and a Parade of Breeds are planned.

## Lincoln launches its first Natural Fiber Fest this weekend



The upcoming weekend will see a first and hopefully an annual affair. The Natural Fiber Fest will be held at the pleasant grounds and behind the Courthouse.

Plans are to have the animals that furnish the fiber, as well as several booths and activities.

So come and join in the fun Saturday and Sunday.

cleanup remaining to be done. In my walks in Lincoln, I am amazed at the cigarette butts that are thrown on my grass areas in the hills town.

We have to tell the tourists about the smoking restrictions. It's a shame that we have all of the smokers that litter in our hills town.

There were about 200 children and adults at the event.

over the weekend. It was such a fun weekend as there were so many members that brought their mothers and babies.

There were several families of three generations represented.

There were many different activities from various groups, including a horse show, a craft fair, and a family photo contest.

tastic collection she had, and she is still collecting.

The weekend activities went well. There will be programs all week long.

We wish Mike Gadden success in his new venture. We wish Mike Gadden success in his new venture.

Lincoln. She was visiting her son Robert and sister and his hand, Joe, and Francis Gallegos. I'm so sorry I missed seeing her.

Ted Allen's mother, of El Paso, passed away.

I know all the mothers and grandmothers had a great day Sunday. It was nice to hear from your children, grandchild, and to see them all.

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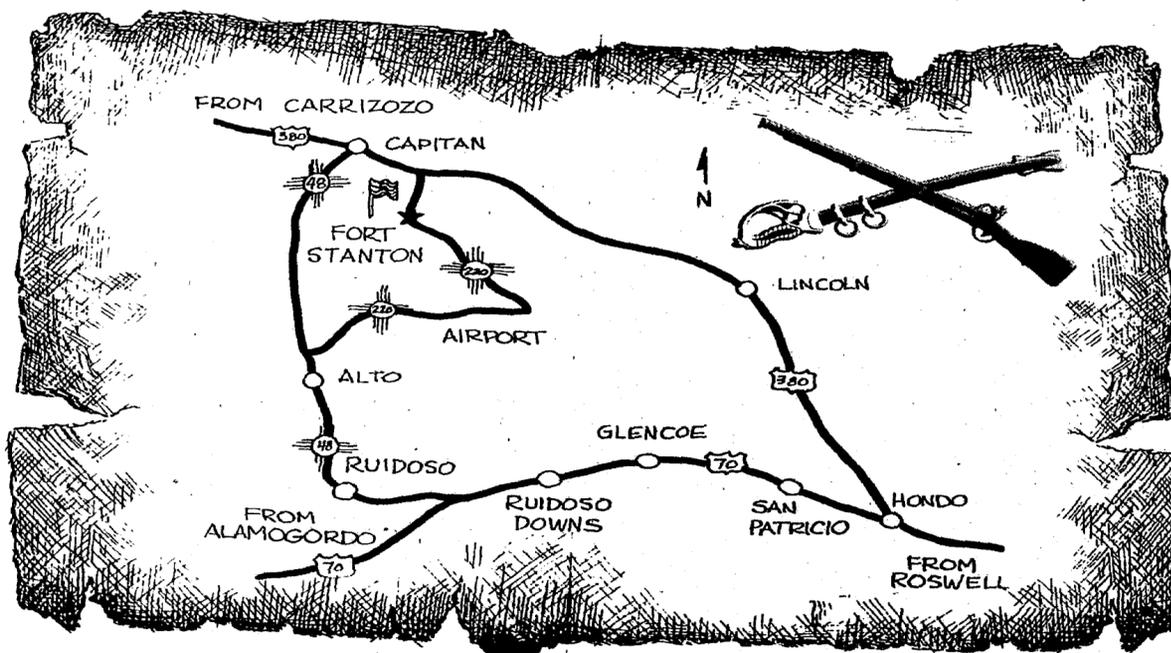
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Named after Capt. Henry Stanton, a young dragoon killed in a skirmish with the Apache, the fort was a combatant in the Indian Wars, the Civil War and the Lincoln County War. No stranger to the "famous or infamous", Fort Stanton has witnessed players of all ilk. Kit Carson, famed mountain man and soldier, commanded at Fort Stanton during the Civil War. Buffalo Soldiers of the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Cavalry and 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> infantry served through the Indian Wars. "Billy the Kid" was incarcerated there and escaped. "Black Jack" Pershing completed two tours of duty at the fort beginning in 1886. Lincoln County's own Dr. John Laws started out at Fort Stanton during the Merchant Marine Hospital years and went on to fame with his own tuberculosis treatment center in Lincoln.

In 1896 it was decommissioned as a military fort. In 1899 it was established as a Public Health Hospital to treat Merchant Marines with tuberculosis. It remained as such until 1953. In 1941 the crew of a German luxury liner was detained there by Immigration until the end of W.W. II. In 1953 the federal government sold it to the state of NM for \$1.00. The state maintained it as a TB hospital for the next fourteen years and then turned it into a state rehabilitation hospital for the handicapped. It remained such until 1996. In 1996 state corrections took over the facility.

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