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County approves new subdivision rules

The commission decided to do without revisions suggested by the state engineer.

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Although the staff of the New Mexico State Engineer's Office recommended some changes in proposed amendments to Lincoln County's subdi-

vision rules, commissioners earlier this month approved a draft as written by the county attorney.

The lone negative vote was cast by Chairman Rex Wilson, who said he thought the commission should consider adopting the higher number proposed by the state as the minimum amount of water a developer must prove is available per lot in a new subdivision.

"I think we need to further consider

the State Engineer's report," Wilson said. "The county planning commission and our engineering consultant also suggested a higher number and I think we should consider it."

County Attorney Alan Morel said the proposed amendments tentatively approved by the commission last month were forwarded to seven state agencies, but only the State Engineer's office responded. Staff there sent a rewrite

dealing with the amount of water that must be proven for each lot and what information a water availability study should contain. They would like all 33 counties to adopt the rewrite, he said.

Brian C. Wilson, chief of water use and reports for State Engineer Tom Turney, wrote that, "The requirements we are recommending for the water availability assessment depend upon the proposed source of supply and are

not dependent upon the number of lots in the proposed subdivision.

"An informed decision as to whether or not there is sufficient water available should be based on the scientific facts and not on the size of the subdivision."

Chairman Wilson applauded the idea of stepping away from a numerical dividing line that often encourages developers to submit plans for one lot

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Church add-on irks neighbors

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Proposed cabins at a Lutheran church on Hull Road hit heavy opposition Tuesday from surrounding property owners.

Speaking for Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, D.C. Yount, chairman of the long-range planning committee, explained to members of the Ruidoso Planning and Zoning Commission that the property adjoining the church is zoned for multi-family use. The members would like immediately to build an outdoor worship and picnic pavilion, and later add a meeting and dining hall and four cabins for visiting families or youth groups.

"It will bring people to the area to ski and other activities and give them a place to stay."

Yount said "This will be not-for-profit, cost only."

Village Planner Darrell Bremner clarified that a church is considered a conditional use in any zone and must file a commercial development site plan when building initially or expanding.

Commission members postponed action to give church officials time to file for a conditional use permit, which entails a separate application fee.

Yount said the cabins and dining hall must be built with donations and may take 20 years to complete. The cost is estimated at about \$1.5 million. They should be considered separately from the open-air pavilion project, he said. Mike Runnels, village planning and zoning administrator, agreed.

"If you accept the pavilion, See CHURCH page 9A

Turney looks downstream to area's future water needs

BY MICHAEL SHIMABERY
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In the near future, water conservation will be a given of life. For State Engineer Tom Turney, that near future could be as near as tomorrow, especially in such drought-stricken desert communities as the Tularosa Basin.

"There is no more free water available," Turney said, adding tomorrow's water usage must be reduced as much as 50 percent in cities and homes.

Turney brought his H20 prognostications to the issues-oriented organization the Alamogordo Forum on Tuesday, at the invitation of New Mexico Rep. Dr. Terry Marquardt (R-Otero County/ Doña Ana County). Once word got out, there was some scrambling by other persons and groups to meet with him.

"When people heard he was going to be in the area, there were about 13 meetings that were set up," Marquardt said.

Some of those, Turney said, have interests in the just-completed regional water plan

which includes Alamogordo, Tularosa, the Tularosa Ditch Company, Timberon, and Carrizozo.

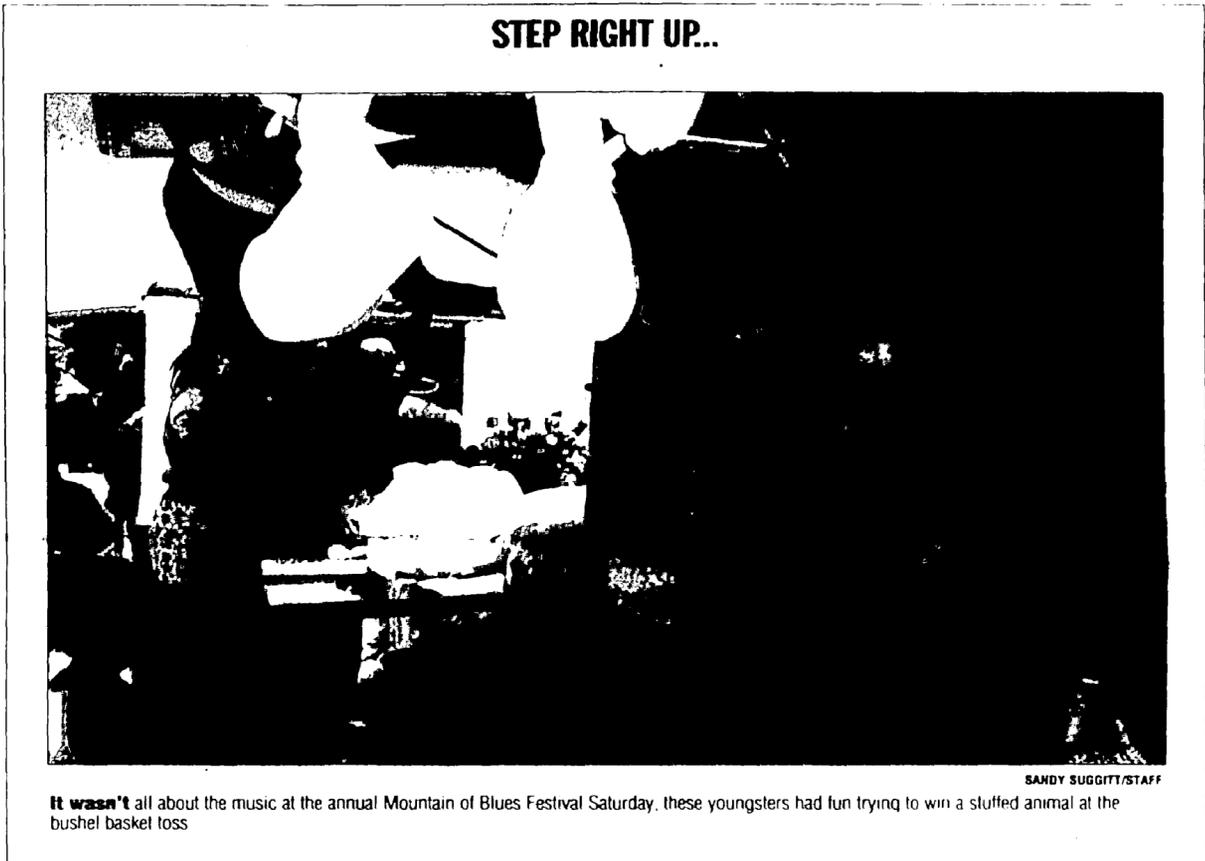
Others have interests in Alamogordo's application for 13,000-acre-feet of water, which, he said, is being "heavily protested" by organizations, businesses, and individuals.

"They say it'll hurt their water rights; it's against the public welfare of the state. We'll have hearings on it," said Turney, who cited "the public," per the state constitution, "owns the water."

According to Turney, there is an aquifer there of 30-million-acre-feet of saline water, an amount he described as "enough water for a city of 250,000 people for 200,000 years." Such supply is apparently not an anomaly. There are, he said, "tremendous pockets of this saline water" in other locations.

Yet without aggressive desalination programs, what good is that water?

Test programs are in place through money Marquardt procured on the state level, and fed- See WATER, page 9A



It wasn't all about the music at the annual Mountain of Blues Festival Saturday, these youngsters had fun trying to win a stuffed animal at the bushel basket toss

SANDY SUGGITT/STAFF

Police officers commended for bravery

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

In their first public presentation, members of the Ruidoso Police Department Police Citizen Advisory Committee recognized the bravery of three area officers.

Ruidoso police officers Mike Driscoll and Sean McGary, and Ruidoso Downs officer Jason Kinnick were given plaques following a commendation from supervising officer Sgt. Ray Merritt Jr.

Reading from the commendation, Ruidoso Police Chief Lanny Maddox explained that when Driscoll arrived at 117 Reese Drive at 5:21 a.m. one day in March, he encountered a man laying on a lawn outside a burning house who was unable to tell him if someone else was inside. Joined by McGary and Kinnick, Driscoll ran into the burning structure. The three risked their lives to check each room. Kinnick found a dog, unconscious from smoke inhalation. The animal survived.

"They reflect great credit on the departments," Maddox said.

The chief also was pleased that the 13 members of the newly-formed committee picked the occasion for their first public

exposure.

"I feel strongly that a dozen heads are better than one," the chief said. "They can give us advice on how to make law enforcement better for the community. This is a good step for the future of law enforcement in Ruidoso."

"I've enjoyed this more than any meetings I've attended in the past. They're enthusiastic."

The members will be allowed to see police officers in action by going along on calls, wearing official identification tags, attending a mini-police academy and riding with an officer on traffic stops, Maddox said.

"It will give them a perspective on what an officer goes through," he said.

The group meets twice a month and is part of an effort to encourage a partnership by fostering positive citizen-community relations and by maintaining police services in line with community expectations, he said.

Their powers and goals include:
• Reviewing actions by police in

incidents that create community concern or controversy, but not undertaken until after the department completes its own internal affairs investigation.

• Consultation and cooperation with federal, state, local and other public agencies, commissions and committees on matters under the committee's charge.

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DIANNE STALLINGS/STAFF

Flanked by members of the new Ruidoso Police Department Police Citizen Advisory Committee, three officers were honored for their bravery Wednesday. From left are Mike Driscoll of the Ruidoso Police Department, Jason Kinnick of the Ruidoso Downs Police Department and Sean McGary with Ruidoso.

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Farmers, ranchers eligible for federal drought relief

WASHINGTON - U.S. Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., Tuesday announced that Agriculture Secretary Ann Veneman has agreed to grant a drought disaster designation for virtually all of New Mexico, making farmers and ranchers eligible for federal loan assistance to deal with losses caused by severe drought conditions.

Domenici was informed of Veneman's decision Tuesday to grant a "primary" disaster designation for 29 New Mexico counties. Not listed are Chaves, Eddy and Otero counties, which are all covered under a previous designation and are, likewise, still eligible for USDA drought assistance as contiguous counties.

Although Los Alamos County is considered a nonagricultural area by the USDA, aid would also be available under the contiguous county provision.

The declaration makes producers eligible for Emergency Loan Assistance (EM) through the Farm Service Agency offices throughout the state.

According to the FSA, the low-interest EM loans can be issued for up to \$500,000. They may be used to restore essential property, pay for production costs associated with disaster conditions, meet essential family expenses, reorganize family operations, and refinance certain debts. The loans are available to farmers or ranchers who have experienced at least a 30 percent loss in crop production or a physical loss to livestock, livestock products, real estate, or chattel property.

For additional information, visit: <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/pas/disaster/emloan.htm>.

RULES: New guidelines for growth

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fewer than the threshold that requires a community water system.

"I wish we'd had (the state suggestion) when we were going through and wrestling with how many lots to require a water system," he said.

Engineer Brian Wilson wrote that a quarter acre foot of water may "be adequate for the high mountain areas in Lincoln County, where water requirements for evaporative cooling and landscape irrigation are very low," he wrote. "However, at lower elevations in places like Carrizozo, water requirements would be higher."

He contended a family of three living in a 1,700-square-foot home with water-conserving plumbing fixtures, evaporative cooling and 800 square feet of irrigated landscape would require about .31 acre feet in a normal weather year. A family of four would require .38 acre feet per year, and a family of five, .45 acre feet per year.

An acre foot of water equates to 325,851 gallons.

In a drought, landscape irrigation requirements would be higher, he noted. He suggested a minimum water requirement of .35 acre feet per lot per year, and that the total irrigated area per lot be restricted to 800 square feet.

Other changes proposed by the state included:

- Developers be required to prove sufficient and sustainable water for 100 years, not 40

years.

"That kind of changes it from a science to a wild guess, doesn't it," Commissioner Rick Simpson said.

- Details of what a water availability assessment should cover, including geologic maps, well production logs and a history of water levels and well yields. Also required would be aquifer (underground water table) pump test data and analysis.

- Adding a requirement for developers to ensure enough water to fight structural and wildfires, and a requirement to develop a fire protection plan, a conservation plan and a contamination protection plan.

Wildfire protection will require more water than 3,000 gallons of storage," which is what the county ordinance requires, Morel said.

- Changes in how subdivisions would be classified.

- Developers would be required to evaluate climatic data and stream flow, the effect of groundwater pumping and to show proof of valid water rights.

"This is ridiculous," said Commissioner Bill Schwetmann, an engineer who occasionally works for developers. "Who's qualified to make any analysis? We can't take this action today."

Surveyor Tim Collins, who represents many developers, said he doesn't understand the state's changes.

"I recommend you go to several hydrologists to see the ramifications of what's written here," he said. "I guarantee you no one has any records on wells going back 100 years."

Schwetmann added, "It would stop growth in Lincoln County. No one could afford to go through the process. We could end up in litigation forever. Just building a fence around the county would be cheaper."

Attorney David Stevens, who also is developing property, said the state's view is extreme and must be tempered with economic reality. John Underwood, an attorney representing the Rainmakers subdivision northeast of Ruidoso, agreed with Stevens.

"You don't have the staff to do it," he said.

But Chairman Wilson said, "If what they're suggesting is good, we need to do it." He added, "They've been telling us they want us to put toughness into our local ordinance. I don't think we're this tough."

Commissioners agreed they aren't qualified to decide the advantages of going with the state's suggestions. Instead of delaying action, they voted to move ahead with already approved wording by Morel. They stayed with a quarter acre requirement for water availability per lot.

Commissioner Leo Martinez said if a lower figure of .19 acre feet reflects the demand in Alto and Ruidoso, the highest growth areas in the county, that should be enough water for other sections.

POLICE: Advisory committee formed

FROM PAGE 1A

- Recommending procedures, programs and legislation to enhance cooperation among citizens and police.

- Promoting cooperative citizen-police programs and approaches to the solution of community crime problems, emphasizing the principle that the administration of justice is a responsibility that requires total community involvement.

- Studying and recommending methods, approaches and techniques that would encourage and develop resources necessary to ensure an active citizen-police partnership in the prevention of crime.

- Assisting and advising the department in achieving a greater understanding of the nature and causes of complex community problems in the area of human relations with

special emphasis on the advancement and improvement of relations between police and community groups.

Members of the advisory committee are Jim Bassett, Jules Videau, Sherry Hoffer, Kathy Osborne, Frank Potter, Ronnie Taylor, Fred Gerth, Paul Crown, Phillis Barnett, Sherri O'Neill, Harvey Twite, Dean Fowler and Vince Scarpa.

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Fire safety ordinances, clerk job on village council agenda

■ A public hearing could be followed by action on the proposed fire codes.

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Four ordinances with long-term impacts financially, architecturally and in landscape design will be considered for approval Tuesday by the Ruidoso Village Council.

The new rules are based on recommendations from a Forest Task Force appointed by Mayor Leon Eggleston to provide direction to the village on the handling of new construction, maintenance of vacant lots and landscaping of homes to reduce fire hazards.

A side benefit should be an increase in the water table as fewer plants and trees guzzle the resource, says Mike Runnels, director of village planning and zoning. The Planning and Zoning Commission earlier this week recommended approval of the ordinances, despite a call for more review by former com-

mission member, Linda Flack. She warned that people don't realize the far-reaching impacts of the measures and asked for more discussion.

After the meeting, one resident questioned the advisability of placing too much power in the hands of village code inspectors and proposed a community review board to oversee cases. Another called for a glossary to help novices understand the terms used in the new codes.

In other items on the agenda, Eggleston listed the subject of village clerk under his reports.

After receiving news last week that she was selected by Gov. Gary Johnson, to step into the post of Division I Magistrate Judge Aug. 1, Lincoln County Clerk Martha Proctor advised the county commission it must select a replacement to serve in her position until Jan. 1. That's when Tammie Maddox, Ruidoso village clerk, who was elected county clerk in the Republican primary, is scheduled to take over the county

clerk's department.

Proctor was elected in the same primary to serve as magistrate judge, but incumbent Gerald Dean Jr. subsequently announced he will retire at the end of July.

The county commission may ask Maddox to take over as county clerk early, although the board has the option of selecting someone else for the interim. Maddox hasn't resigned as village clerk.

The mayor wants to update councilors on the situation and options.

Also on the agenda is a Keep Ruidoso Beautiful Committee Beautification Award, 12 consent agenda items that can be approved with one vote, a request for a new wine wholesaler's license to be used at Wines of New Mexico, 2810 Sudderth Drive, and a request for a zone map amendment for a triplex to be built in a single-family residential zone.

The meeting will start at 6:30 p.m. in the village administration complex on Cree Meadows Drive.

Fraudulent faxes received in village

BY SANDY SUCCITT
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Ruidoso police are warning residents against a financial hoax being sent out by fax and e-mail.

In the scheme, faxes are being sent from Lago, Nigeria offering to deposit \$22,500,000 into bank accounts to transfer funds from "deliberate over-invoicing of some contracts awarded by the federal government through this ministry in the twilight days of the last military regime."

Fax recipients are offered 30 percent of the funds in exchange for the use of their bank

accounts, and asked to send their bank's name and address, their bank account number, the name of a beneficiary and personal telephone and fax numbers.

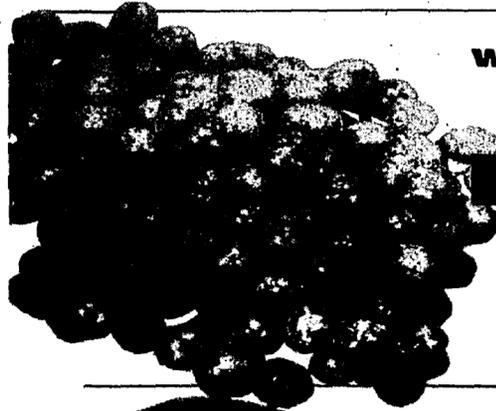
Ruidoso Chief of Police Lanny Maddox said this hoax started initially with the U.S. mail years ago, and has moved on to fax and Internet solicitations.

"Three years ago it was turned over to the Attorney General's office," Maddox said. "To my knowledge, we've had one lady who lost some money several years ago."

"Don't give your bank account number to anyone," he advised. "People need to realize you don't get something for nothing."

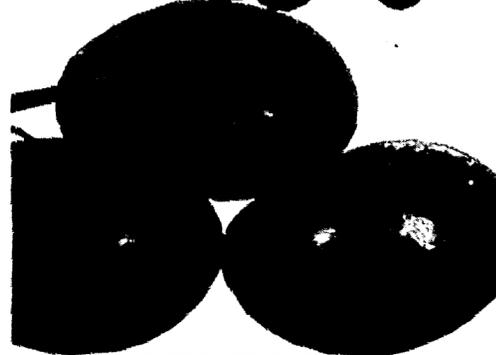
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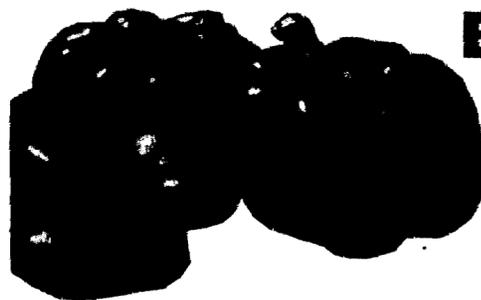
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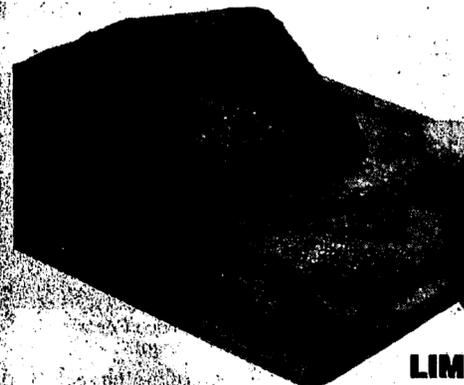
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OUR OPINION

Fire-defense measures quickly heating up

A public hearing is scheduled by the village Tuesday

Coming Tuesday evening to Ruidoso's village hall is another of those public hearings bound to be contentious, no matter how critical the issue...

And critical it is. The village council will get public input on a package of four proposed ordinances aimed at reducing fire hazards.

They are, as the village's planning director said, needed to protect community values, businesses, property and atmosphere — but all at a cost to residents and property-owners.

Nobody will be surprised if a good number of people show up to protest one or all of the ordinances, because they do come at

a direct or indirect price.

One would dictate building rules to mitigate fire hazards.

Another would lay down more stringent rules for issuing building permits.

A third combines fire safety and handling rules in one place.

The fourth concentrates on standards for terrain management, landscaping and building design.

All, says the village, are adapted from codes in use in other forested communities. But the village is moving awfully fast on the package, so fast that few will have studied the language.

It's for the best that this session is purely informational, with a vote coming later.

Miz Nichols wouldn't approve

New Mexico, it is reported, is about to hire private companies to manage some failing public schools. That is necessary, says the Department of Education, because some 36 public schools face possible corrective action when the state releases accountability ratings later this summer.



MOUNTAIN ASIDES
KEITH GREEN

I think Miz Nichols would not approve.

There was a time when the only knowledge I had about any sort of school, public or private, was Miz Nichols. (That's how we pronounced it; never did know whether she actually was or ever had been married. Most of the other teachers were "Miss.")

She was the first contact children in my little town in southwest Missouri had with school — except maybe Sunday school — and she made a large and lasting impression.

She was the only first-grade teacher that town of 1,100 happy people had for many decades, and she protected her domain with a zealot's drive and a mother's tough love.

Doesn't everybody remember their first-grade teacher — or was that so only before the public schools got into doing kindergarten and "early childhood development?"

Miz Nichols — first name unknown and certainly never spoken aloud — was trim and erect, wore rimless glasses, had considerable gray in her hair, would have been horrified if anyone suggested that women wear slacks (let alone smoke cigarettes), and I think she smiled at least once during my first year in school.

Most of the time, Miz Nichols managed to keep the 20 or so of us occupied between recesses.

She was very firm and positive about lining everybody up to get them back into the classroom after a usually raucous recess, and the line always was alphabetical, by last name.

She was even more firm when we had fire drills; never lost track of even one boy or girl.

She never used a paddle, but

she did slap a wooden ruler on a desk top occasionally to get us recalcitrant demons to pay attention.

I don't know if she was a wonderful teacher. I know she didn't teach me to read, at least not much beyond "See Spot run." My dad did that, using comic books by lamplight, after I somehow got into the second grade.

But what Miz Nichols did teach in abundance was self-discipline and respect for my elders — especially the many teachers to come.

Michael J. Davis, the New Mexico superintendent of public instruction, says many companies seeking to run failing New Mexico schools were reviewed, to assure that they are "responsive and can provide flexible and innovative solutions to meet the needs of individual schools and communities."

Great, but I do wonder this:

If the state of New Mexico, with all its resources and taxing power, can't make our public schools work, how can a private company, no matter how good?

Unless, perhaps, that company has a few cloned Miz Nichols on the payroll.

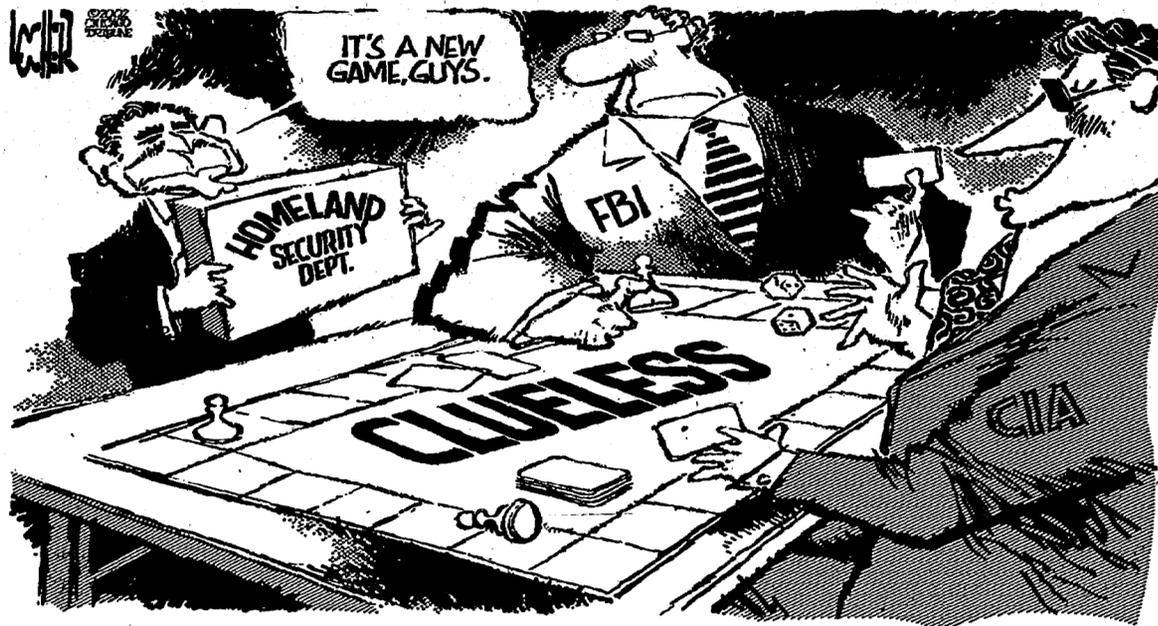
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YOUR OPINION

There must be good customer service, somewhere

To the editor:

Yes, Virginia, there is still such a thing as customer service...but you may have to search for it far and wide, because I can't tell you where to find it.

Whether it's shopping in a retail store, seeking a glass of water in a restaurant or dealing with a city employee, you can almost hear the thoughts that follow the words, "May I help you?" Things such as, "May I help you — as long as I don't have to do any extra work," or, "May I help you — as long as it is going to benefit me."

As a local business owner, I attend meetings and read monthly publications that stress the importance of customer service. I wonder if managers are truly promoting good service by leadership, or following the old adage, "Do as I say and not as I do." I have become increasingly aware that Ruidoso is not the only place losing its small-town-friendly attitude.

Which brings up an interesting thought: When did society decide that our children no longer need lessons on good manners and proper social skills? When did it become unacceptable to give a volume of *Emily Post's Book of Etiquette* to a high school graduate?

We did not become a "me" society overnight, and we're not going to teach our employees the importance of treating customers kindly and with respect by next weekend, but we should lead by example today.

I can't give you the answer to a lazy waitress or a rude sales clerk, but I hope I have given you something to think about. I prefer to believe that a basic kindness still prevails in all of us.

But, for now, I will sit back, slip on my rose-colored glasses and wait to greet my next customer with a smile.

Lori Robertson
Ruidoso

month, with utilities paid?

We have been coming to Ruidoso to RV for the last 40 years, to stay all summer since retiring, but we are planning other towns in the future.

Most long-term RVers are seniors on limited income, and cannot afford what the RV parks are charging. I hope you all get boycotted.

B. Barnes
Stanton, Texas

Wonderful people

To the editor:

Ruidoso has such wonderful people! On Saturday, June 15, we went to The Texas Club for our anniversary dinner.

We didn't have a reservation. Dolly and Peter were waiting to be seated. When they heard we didn't have a reservation, they insisted we join them for dinner.

We had a wonderful evening with a very special couple. We were sorry not to get Peter and Dolly's last name, but wanted them to know how much we enjoyed our evening.

Jim and Dee Moyes
Lubbock, Texas

Expensive RV space rent

To the editor:

Is Ruidoso trying to run all of its RV people out of town?

There are other New Mexico towns just as pretty as Ruidoso that have RV spaces at less than half of what most parks in Ruidoso are asking.

Why pull a trailer up the hill from Texas to rent a space from \$400 to \$600 a month, when the paper is full of apartments for rent for \$350 to \$450 a

Warm, dry winter weather helped the nation's economy

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. — Unusual weather across most of the United States last winter created huge and generally positive impacts to the nation's struggling economy.

Nationally, an estimated \$21 billion in benefits included lower heating costs, a reduction in snow-removal costs, increased construction income, reduced transportation costs, fewer insurance losses and increased retail sales. Most of the \$500 million in losses were realized

by the tourism industry and by decreases in sales of snow-related equipment and winter clothing.

"The unseasonably warm, dry and sunny winter weather led to profound effects on the nation's economy at a critical time," said Stanley Changnon, chief emeritus of the Illinois State Water Survey and a professor of geography at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. "Several economists reported that the weather was a major

factor in keeping the United States from falling into a major recession."

Commissioned by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to assess the economic impacts resulting from the record warm and snow-free winter, Changnon and his son, David, a professor of geography at Northern Illinois University in DeKalb, interviewed numerous business experts and examined various government and private reports. A paper based on their final report has been submitted to the Bulletin of the American Meteorological Society.

The November 2001 to January 2002 period was the warmest on record since 1895, being 4.3 degrees Fahrenheit above the national long-term average, Changnon said. "The near record warmth in the northern portions of the nation substantially reduced heating costs, adding more than \$7 billion to disposable income."

With less demand, natural gas prices also fell significantly during the winter, further benefiting the average consumer. The lack of snow in most areas greatly reduced governmental costs for snow removal on streets and highways.

Federal, state and local highway departments reported reductions of up to 80 percent in the cost of snow removal and salting, valued at \$750 million nationally.

"The warm and dry weather allowed record-setting levels of home construction," Changnon said. "Housing starts jumped 6.3 percent in January to a seasonally adjusted rate of 1.68 million units — the highest level in two years — and in February, housing starts reached their highest level since 1948."

STREET TALK

QUESTION: What do you wish was available in Ruidoso that isn't?



"A Golden Corral-type restaurant."
Martha Albanese
Ruidoso/El Paso



"A skating rink."
Debra Edwards
Ruidoso



"More things for the youth to do."
Brad Dix
Ruidoso

SANDY SUGGITT/STAFF

Village could buy land for traffic, water rights

■ The council discussed buying two pieces of land earlier this month.

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Ruidoso village councilors are mulling over an offer to sell a tract of land needed to implement a one-way traffic pattern in the main commercial area.

Zemex International, which owns 4.98 acres on Sudderth Drive, adjacent to and behind the Comfort Inn, offered the property for \$700,000 last week, although the council's packet contained a letter dated from April 22 with an option price of \$650,000 and a \$25,000 fee for a six month option period.

If the village decided to extend the option period for another three months and another \$25,000 fee, the first option payment would not be applied to the purchase. All option payments would be non-refundable.

"How would we finance it?" asked Councilor Frank Cummins, pointing out that a letter from associate real estate broker Lisa M. Smith, Coldwell Banker, suggested that a state loan be obtained to be repaid by redirecting 1/8th of a cent of the village gross receipt tax.

Village Manager Alan Briley said the tax generates about \$200,000 with \$96,000 of that

money dedicated to the repayment of the purchase of the new police department building on Mechem Drive. The other \$100,000 was to be set aside to buy capital equipment.

"I think the equipment needs are very important," Briley said, adding that he doesn't agree with Smith's idea.

John Wester, corporate counsel for Zemex, reminded the board that during the eight years the company has owned the land it has been under contract "a couple of times."

The last deal fell through because, on the day the buyer was to receive approval on an assisted living project, the application was blocked. Opponents pointed out that the traffic component of the village's master plan showed a one-way road going through the tract and The Comfort Inn.

"The city felt it needed the land not for open space and parking, but for traffic," he said.

Although the traffic plan was dropped, the city wanted the assisted living group to squeeze its project into three acres and leave two for a road, if needed later.

"The buyer walked and went

to another piece of land," Wester said.

By owning the property, the village could improve access to Grindstone Road and the new Mescalero Apache casino scheduled to be built, he said. If village officials wait and need the land later, condemnation may cost much more because the property will have increased in value, he said.

"We're losing a lot of activities to Ruidoso Downs because we don't have any open space."

Deborah Marcum-Byars
Ruidoso village councilor

Councilor Deborah Marcum-Byars said she wished the village would develop a working master plan with long-term solutions to the Mid-town situation, which generates between 20 percent and 25 percent of the village's gross receipts tax each year.

"If you multiply what's happened the last 10 years, we'll have bumper-to-bumper traffic in another 10 years and nowhere to park," she said.

Jim Shoop, who owns a business in mid-town, suggested increasing the cost of the annual business license, but Mayor Leon Eggleston said the \$35 fee is set by state statute.

"It's a valid idea to assess business owners who don't have adequate parking," Marcum-Byars said. "That's a cost of

doing business."

She asked that the board give officials with the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce, the village's economic development committee and others time to come up with a purchase plan, possibly using lodgers tax money.

"We're losing a lot of activities to Ruidoso Downs because we don't have any open space," she said.

Councilor L. Ray Nunley agreed more time is needed to study the possibility, but Councilor Ron Anderson said, "We can't afford it. We don't have any money."

Byars said towns such as Taos establish "community funds" that are partnerships with foundations to acquire green space.

The issue was rescheduled for the council's last meeting in July.

A second offer to sell land to the city came up later in the meeting. Owners Jorge and Raul Elorduy offered 33 acres west of the Eagle Creek ball-fields, owned by the city on Ski Run Road, with 10.7 acre feet of water rights dating to 1866. The land is flanked by 2.46 acres designated for 23 condominium sites.

The purchase could help the village protect its interest in water and water rights, Briley said.

"There has been talk in the

past about properties in the area of Eagle Creek may be in direct conflict with the village's water rights, and the village's ability to use the surface water or well water in the area," he wrote in a memorandum to the council.

He said Tuesday that money for the purchase could come from a supplemental gross receipts tax dedicated to watershed conservation or from \$2 million in bond money reserved for water rights acquisition and water line installation on State Road 48.

Another possibility is to sell other property in the Eagle Creek area to a person who has queried informally about more land for development, and use that money to offset the \$550,000 price.

"We don't need more water

rights," Councilor Ron Anderson said. "We need more water - land with a well."

The village might face a costly protest if it attempted to transfer the water rights from the land, said water consultant Len Stokes.

Shoop, a director of the Ruidoso River Association, pointed out that the village already is pumping water upstream of the site and the creek has been dry for nearly two years.

"Why would you buy downstream of something that's already not working?" he asked.

"Someone could put in 95 condos on that land," Briley said. "Buying it would protect the watershed. The land is the main part."

The proposal received no action.

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Thank you Rusty and everyone who helped with the roping. Thank you Mom & Dad and everyone who helped with the dinner. Thank you Betty Vincent and everyone who put on the auction. Thank you to the Elks Lodge and everyone who helped with the dance. Thank you to everyone who helped me with the concession stand at the roping. I apologize if I left anyone out. You know who you are and God knows who you are, and that's the important thing. Remember God will bless you double for your trouble.

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LCMC BIRTHS

Recent births at Lincoln County Medical Center:

May 31, 2002, a son, Richard Arthur Holden II, to Kristy and Chris Holden, 9 lb, 8.4 oz, 22"

June 1, 2002, a daughter, Arianna Valenzuela, to Patricia and Jesus Valenzuela, 6 lb, 15 oz, 19 1/2"

June 1, 2002, a daughter, Kaitlyn Marie Paiz, to Olivia

and Jerry Paiz, 7 lb, 6.5 oz, 19"

June 3, 2002, a son, Robert Joseph Dwaine Chavez, to Kristin Billingslea and Robert Chavez, 7 lb, 14.3 oz, 21 3/4"

June 5, 2002, a son, Eugene Lee Cain II, to Kymbra Kay and Eugene Cain, 6 lb, 15.1 oz, 19 1/2"

June 5, 2002, a son, Isaiah George Romero, to Adrienne Anchondo, 8 lb, 10.5 oz, 21"

June 5, 2002, a son,

Christian Octavio Arellano Navarro, to Natalia Navarro, 8 lb, 2.7 oz, 19 1/4"

June 7, 2002, a son, Damien Kane Mallett, to Tara and Joshua Mallett, 6 lb, .01 oz, 19 1/2"

June 11, 2002, a daughter, Elaina Corrinne Caywood, to Bonnie and Kevin Caywood, 7 lb, 1.7 oz, 19 1/2"

June 12, 2002, a daughter, Desirae Danielle Valencia, to

Carla Garcia and Ray Valencia, 7 lb, 8.1 oz, 20"

June 13, 2002, a son, Javin Javier Marquez, to Melissa and Francisco Marquez, 8 lb, 2.3 oz, 21 1/2"

June 14, 2002, a daughter, Ramona Jean Fossum, to Rebecca and Ewell Fossum, 8 lb, 12.3 oz, 22"



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BUSINESS BRIEFS

New branch president at First Savings Bank

Randy Christopher is aboard at First Savings Bank, 2713 Sudderth, as the new branch president.

Christopher has 20-plus years of banking experience. He replaces Gwyn Saunders, who was promoted to the bank's Southwest regional office in El Paso, Texas.

The new branch officer spent 10 years with First National Bank in Alamogordo.

A New Mexico native, Christopher and his wife Charlotte have a son, Rusty.

Christopher said he "hopes to contribute to the Ruidoso financial arena, and is willing to help in any way" he can.

Midtown gets new 'Coyote Cantina'

Business improves every week with booming weekends and steady walk-in traffic for the Coyote Cantina, recently opened at 2408 Sudderth Drive.

Shannon Stewart and fiancé Shane Johns opened the saloon with an eye to bringing "a big-town bar to a small town," Stewart said.

The 8,200-square-foot bar

will host pool tournaments every Monday and Wednesday on the lower floor, where video games are also located. Every Thursday and Friday, a DJ plays a variety of music on the main floor.

Coyote Cantina is open Monday through Saturday 11 a.m. to 2 a.m. and Sunday noon to 12 p.m.

Deck House reopens

Eugene Gentry aims to welcome locals and serve "the best Mexican food in town" at the eatery he owns with his brother, Eric, and Tina Barnes.

They wanted to open a restaurant without a new building. They admired the food and longevity of the Deck House, in existence since 1963, Eugene Gentry said.

He and Tina Barnes had prior experience managing for Cattle Baron Corporation. They opened Memorial Day weekend.

The Deck House, at 200 Mechem Drive, serves steaks as well as Mexican food, and offers breakfast. Hours are Monday through Wednesday 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. and Thursday through Sunday 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. It is closed Wednesdays until the end of June.

Chamber members honor their stars

BY MELANIE SATTLER
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

"You've touched my heart," Phillis Barnett said upon being named Citizen of the Year by the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce at its annual awards banquet at the Alto Lakes Country Club last week. The chamber singled out Barnett from among 24 nominations for her work with the Rotary Club, Ruidoso's Planning and Zoning board and the chamber.

President-elect James Miller also presented Barnett with the outgoing president award.

More than 150 members and guests honored the community leaders receiving awards and listened to Miller's vision of the chamber's future.

"We've got a vibrant business economy, and we're a leader in New Mexico," Miller said.

In his five-point action plan, the chamber will:

1. Collaborate on forest health and sustainable water resource initiatives. The chamber created two new community awards, for creation of defensible fire space and for use of water resources.

2. Capitalize on new telecommunications technology, by encouraging the use of available DSL, digital cell phone, E-mail and fax technology to expand business activity.

3. Retain a customer-service focus. "We need to stand for no less than outstanding customer service," Miller said.

4. Make additional contributions to human capital in the community, by addressing issues like the high rate of employee turnover. "Whatever the solution is, we need to confront it head on," Miller said.

5. Develop local and regional leaders. The new Leadership Lincoln will train people to lead in public and private groups, including school boards, city and village councils and county commissions. "There is no more critical activity than the development of courageous, imaginative new leadership for the future of this region," Miller said.

Miller presented recognition plaques to outgoing board members Alberto Robles, Deborah Marcum-Byars, George Staten, Susie Fuqua



MELANIE SATTLER/STAFF
James Miller, president-elect, presents a recognition plaque to Phillis Barnett, outgoing president of the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce, while Executive Director Patric A. Pearson applauds.

and Cathi McIntosh. Chamber award recipients include:
Jim Bassett - Art Festival Special Award
Bill Chance - Community Service Special Award

Trink Edmonds - Volunteer of the Year
Cyndi Clayton of Condotel - Hn' Zhu' Ne' (beautiful place) Award
Kaye Kernodle - Greeter of the Year.

The Economy and the Markets

Business investment the key

BY MICHAEL SWANSON
WELLS FARGO & COMPANY

The economy depends on three vital demand factors: consumer spending, inventory growth and business investment. May's 1 percent drop in retail numbers disappointed the markets, and raised the possibility that consumer spending might not carry the economy all by itself. Business inventories continue to drag on the economy falling 0.2 percent in April. Lastly, business investment has been on the retreat since the first quarter of 2001.

Without growth in business investment, it is unlikely the Federal Reserve will change its policy stance and aggressively raise short-term rates.

In the first quarter, overall business investment (in fixed assets) declined by 7.5 percent or \$131 billion from the same quarter a year ago. That represents slightly more than a full percentage point drop in GDP by itself. Business investment of \$1.15 trillion accounts for more than 11 percent of the overall domestic economy. If the first quarter does not represent the bottom of this cycle, the current outlook for a moderate to strong recovery would be in doubt.

Fortunately, it appears that some of the major elements of business investment have already hit their lows and will soon start a new growth track. The most recent industrial production and capacity utilization numbers show that manufacturing continues its slow recovery. Compared to the 1990-91 recession, current capacity utilization is improving at a slower rate. Following the last recession, it took 33 months for capacity utilization rates to return to pre-recession levels.

However, there are some bright spots in business investment. The high-tech meltdown in terms of business investment has been well documented. However, software has been the one high-tech sector staying remarkably robust. The high tech investment boom peaked, in the fourth

quarter of 2000, at an annualized rate of \$487 billion in business investments.

Currently, businesses are only spending at a rate of \$405 billion. However, this crushing decline has been confined almost entirely to computers and other spending (telecom in particular) which have fallen by \$73 billion (representing 90 percent of the reduction).

Software has seen a very modest decline of \$9 billion (a 4.5 percent drop from its peak). Other industrial equipment investment has also seen very modest declines of only 5 percent from its peak. According to the current consensus, business investment should spark economic growth in the third quarter of this year.

Bonds: Fed still delays

This week's release of economic data has changed market perceptions about the timing of Federal Reserve actions once again. The market has moved its first expected increase out until November, when a 25 basis point increase would be implemented.

The weaker than expected increase in producer prices, weak retail sales and uninspiring capacity utilization only reinforce the Fed's current stance that economic growth concerns are more important than inflation threats.

The Treasury market seized on this information to move yields sharply lower based on fears of weaker than expected growth. Between the Fed Funds rate and lower two-year Treasury bonds, both prime rates and mortgages should remain historically low throughout the rest of the year.

This provides the incentive for more consumer and business spending which will help increase the odds of a moderate recovery.

Given the recent weakness in the broad stock indices, investors will continue to move more money into the perceived security of the bond and short-term money markets.

These are not investment recommendations. Consult your financial advisers.

First Federal opens building in Capitan

First Federal Bank celebrated the opening of its third Lincoln County branch in Capitan on Wednesday with live music by Tim and Leona Rice and finger foods catered by Velma Ward.

The bank's board of directors, with Aubrey Dunn, president, and Tom Rigsby, the new branch manager and Lincoln County area manager, gathered to christen the new location at 100 Smokey Bear Blvd. with a ribbon-cutting ceremony.

The branch offers full services, including an ATM and two drive-up lanes.

Lobby hours are Monday through Thursday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Drive-up hours are Monday through Thursday 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Friday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

First Federal Bank's other Lincoln County branches are located in Ruidoso and Carrizozo.

June 'Champion of Service' named by C-C

BY MELANIE SATTLER
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The Ruidoso Valley Greeters honored Tamara Pelkey and TCBY with its Champion of Service Award this month.

"I'm excited. I was not expecting it at all," Pelkey said.

The Greeters present the travelling trophy once a month to a person in the business community who offers outstanding customer service. Nominations are accepted from residents as well as visitors.

"She was selected because she was extra special. She was very busy, there were a lot of people in there that day, and she stopped what she was doing and waited on them. Her personality was great," said Bobbie DeBolt, Champion of Service chairman.

Pelkey has worked at



MELANIE SATTLER/STAFF
Tamara Pelkey of TCBY is this month's Champion of Service.

TCBY for one and a half years. She puts in 40 hours a week during the summer and 30 during the school year. She maintains a 3.47 grade point average at Ruidoso High School, where she will be a senior in the fall.

Pelkey attributes her success on the job to personal motivation.

She enjoys spending her own money, rather than that of her parents, and plans to purchase a car this summer.

Most of her friends work too.

"All of us are very motivated," she said.

Recipients of the Champion of Service award in the past 12 months are:

- Sandy Lee, United States Postal Service
- Chris Woodall, Walgreens pharmacy
- Dawn Swearingen, Wells Fargo
- Paul Murphy, Millennium Tees
- Joan Zagone, Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce
- Bert Brunell, Brunella
- Eddie Parker, Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce
- Rose Busber, End of the Vine

Nomination forms for Champion of Service are available at the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce.

Focus on Agriculture

The myth of a once-pristine America

BY STEWART TRULSEN
AMERICAN FARM BUREAU

The myth that America was a Garden of Eden until white settlers arrived to spoil it is a basic tenet of the environmental movement and wilderness preservation. Henry David Thoreau and other early American writers contributed to the myth. Thoreau wrote in his journal that seeing a tree felled by man made his eyes ache. A tree knocked down by the wind was a far better sight.

Lately though, more and more scholars are attacking this myth. Some of the research was pulled together in an Atlantic Monthly article titled simply "1491."

Author Charles Mann says, "Indians were here in greater numbers than previously thought, and they imposed their will on the landscape. Columbus set foot in a hemisphere thoroughly dominated by humankind."

One of the most important scholars writing on this is University of Wisconsin cultural ecologist William Denevan. In his paper "The Pristine Myth: The Landscape of the Americas in 1492," Denevan says "Agricultural fields were common as were houses, towns and roads and trails. All of these had local impacts on soil, microclimate, hydrology and wildlife." Fire was an important tool for the Indians in converting forests to grassy openings, probably making them the first Americans to contribute to global warming.

"Like people everywhere, Indians survived by cleverly exploiting their environment," says Mann. Rather than domesticating animals for meat, Indians retooled whole ecosystems to grow bumper crops of elk, deer and bison. In South America, they appear to have planted part of the Amazon rain forest to grow a

diverse assortment of trees, fruits, nuts and palms.

Indians retooling ecosystems and planting the rain forest? That doesn't sound like what we learned in school. American history has led us to believe that the New World was mostly empty and undeveloped. Nature, not indigenous people, managed the landscape.

New analysis of early civilizations suggests otherwise. Denevan figures the population of North and South America at the time of Columbus was 43 to 65 million people. Some estimates are even higher. There may have been more people living in the New World than in Europe.

But that wasn't the last. Diseases brought by the first white men were a disaster for the native population. Millions of Indians died from small pox, bubonic plague, influenza, mumps and other communicable diseases.

As a result, most of their landscape changes disappeared over time. Forests expanded and wildlife populations grew because of less hunting pressure.

The passenger pigeon is probably one example. Mann says colonists were shocked by the huge flocks of these dumb birds, and they wasted no time in harvesting them. But archaeological digs of pre-Columbian Indian sites find little evidence of their bones.

Mann concludes that if environmentalists want to return America to its pre-1492 condition then it is not a wilderness they are seeking, but what was perhaps the world's largest garden.

Pristine America, a wilderness untrammelled by man, may all be part of our folklore.

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

Highway 70 work means slower trips

Drivers heading to Roswell will need to be a little more careful over the next few months.

Work has begun on Highway 70 West between Riverside Hill and Roswell, between mile posts 302 and 318.

The New Mexico State Highway and Transportation Department is asking the public to pay close attention to the speed limit and construction signs, according to a press release.

"Traffic was switched to the new side of the highway from Border Hill west to Riverside Hill starting (Tuesday)," the

release stated. "There will be lane closures and detours. Slow down and pay attention to the signs."

The work schedule is Monday through Friday, 6 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., until the end of August. The speed limit has been reduced to 55 mph throughout the entire project, except at Border Hill, where it is 35 mph.

"There are people working on the roadway," the release said. "These people could be your relatives or friends. Your cooperation is appreciated."

The JHCC Field Office will answer questions at (505) 622-5535.

RUIDOSO POLICE

Assaulting an officer

Police arrested Joel Gutierrez, 43, of Santa Fe, and Edgar Smith, 42, of Mescalero, June 17 behind McDonald's on Sudderth Drive, charging them with public intoxication, resisting a police officer and assault on a peace officer.

Household battery

Gregory R. Romero, 31, of Roswell, was arrested June 17 in the 100 block of Santa Maria Drive, charged with aggravated battery against a household member.

Windows broken

A Ruidoso firefighter reported four 8-by-10 windows broken out by rocks or other items

thrown at the fire department substation, 313 Cree Meadows Drive between 10 p.m. June 16 and 9 a.m. June 17.

Improper smoking

Ruidoso police cited Joe J. Hewett, 48, of Roswell for improper handling of fire at the Mountain of Blues Festival June 15 on Highway 220. An officer observed a "mostly-smoked cigarette" and an opened package of cigarettes under Hewett's chair, and he "admitted he had smoked in the designated (smoking) area and at his chair as well," the report states.

Firefighter cited

Police cited Mescalero firefighter Whalen Shaw, 22, for

smoking in front of Motel 6, 412 W. Highway 70 June 16.

"Mr. Shaw was asked if he understood the recent fire dangers, if he had been advised of the restrictions put in place," the report states. "This became obvious that he had been warned as he is a firefighter and had been briefed by the lead supervisor of the consequences for this action. Mr. Shaw was then cited."

Uninvited guest

A residence in the 100 block of Cornudas Trail was broken into through a window, and a VCR valued at \$100 was stolen between March 1 and June 16. The report states that there were signs of canned foods having been eaten and bedding used on the couch.

Public intoxication

Police arrested Nieves Najar, 51, of Roswell on June 16 and 17, charging him with public intoxication on Highway 70.

Windows shot

Two bullet holds were found in the front plate glass window of Sew & Vac, 330 Sudderth Drive. The holes were made between 5 p.m. June 10 and 10:45 June 18, and the window is valued at \$300.

Intoxication arrest

Police arrested Thomas Garcia, 45, of the Ruidoso area, charging him with public intoxication June 19 at K-Bobs on Highway 70.

FUNERALS DEATHS

Walter Scott

Funeral services for Walter Scott, 90, of Mescalero, were at the Mescalero Reformed Church Thursday, June 20, with burial following at the Mescalero Cemetery. The Rev. Bob Schut officiated.

Mr. Scott died Monday, June 17, 2002, in Alamogordo.

He was born Aug. 29, 1911, in Mescalero and had lived there all his life.

He has been a gatekeeper for the tribal campground, a

school bus driver, a cowboy and a caretaker at the Reformed Church, where he was a member.

Survivors include nieces and nephews Vernon Scott, Veda Chee, Ross Scott, Lyann Blake, Laura Scott, Ellen Sago, Vernetta Platero, Patsy Barcus, Charles Scott and Murdelle Cojo, all of Mescalero.

Arrangements were under the direction of LaGrone Funeral Chapel, 341 Sudderth Drive.



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SHOWING 6/21 THRU 6/27

Tourism group approves grants for county events

Money to help pay for four festivals was awarded to the Lincoln County Tourism Council by the Rural Economic Development Through Tourism Project.

The \$2,100 grant will be used for Arts in the Orchard, Fiber Fest, Starry Night Party and Voices from the Past. Lincoln and DeBaca coun-

ties also received \$1,150 from REDTT to help pay for the Billy the Kid Orientation Loop Tour for 10 national travel writers in August.

The distribution breaks down as:
 • \$750 to help pay for a power generator, the rental of tents, tables and chairs, portable restrooms and for

trash collection for Arts in the Orchard.

- \$500 to help pay for sound equipment, security and facilities rental for Fiber Fest.
- \$500 to help pay for portable restrooms, banners and posters for Voices from the Past.
- \$350 toward posters and the rental of a power generator

for the Starry Night Party. The joint award will help the two counties pay for the second annual writers' tour of attractions and historic sites in the two counties related to the world's most famous outlaw. Last year's tour, which included nine travel writers from New Mexico, Arizona and Texas, has to date, generated more than

\$40,000 in coverage in New Mexico Magazine, New Mexico Business Weekly, Waiting Room Magazine, on the Internet and in a number of newspapers, according to director Mike Cook.

Lincoln County is one of the original five counties in REDTT, starting in 1992. To date, the county has received

\$22,417 in grants from REDTT. Cook said the organization is pleased to have supported the past projects and the new Fiber Fest. REDTT is a project of the New Mexico State University Cooperative Extension Service. It provides education, training and technical assistance to 16 counties in the state.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Amateur radio event

Lincoln County amateur radio operators will set up field radio communication stations and contact thousands of other operators in North and South America Saturday and Sunday in the American Radio Relay League's Field Day.

The AARL Field Organization has established emergency communication during natural disasters to support homeland security.

Field Day operations will be next to White Mountain Elementary School, southeast of the soccer field. Look for the

sign at the road and the antennas and tents set up in the field. The event will run from noon Saturday to noon Sunday. For more information, contact Robert Lasso, 354-9254.

Safety program

I See Safety, a national program that promotes safety in the home, will be held at Walmart in Ruidoso Downs Sunday from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

The program features a cartoon video featuring two "Inspector Collectors," who go from room to room, pointing out safety hazards and teach-

ing children what to look for. Parents and children will receive an I See Safety Clue Book, containing games and a fire escape grid to help keep families safe.

Wellness workshop

A Cut Above, 1705 Sudderth Drive, will play host to a wellness workshop with Dr. Micheal Spence from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Personal health profiles and discounted sale items will be available.

Family encampment

Mountain Family

Fellowship, a family encampment at the Nazarene Campground, will be held June 27-30. Contact the Gateway Church of Christ for more information.

Call for proposals

The New Mexico Historical Records Advisory Board has issued a call for proposals for grants to improve preservation and access to the state's historical records. Awards are from \$500 to \$8,500. For an application, see the board's Web site, www.nmcp.state.nm, or call (505) 476-7936. Deadline is Sept. 1.



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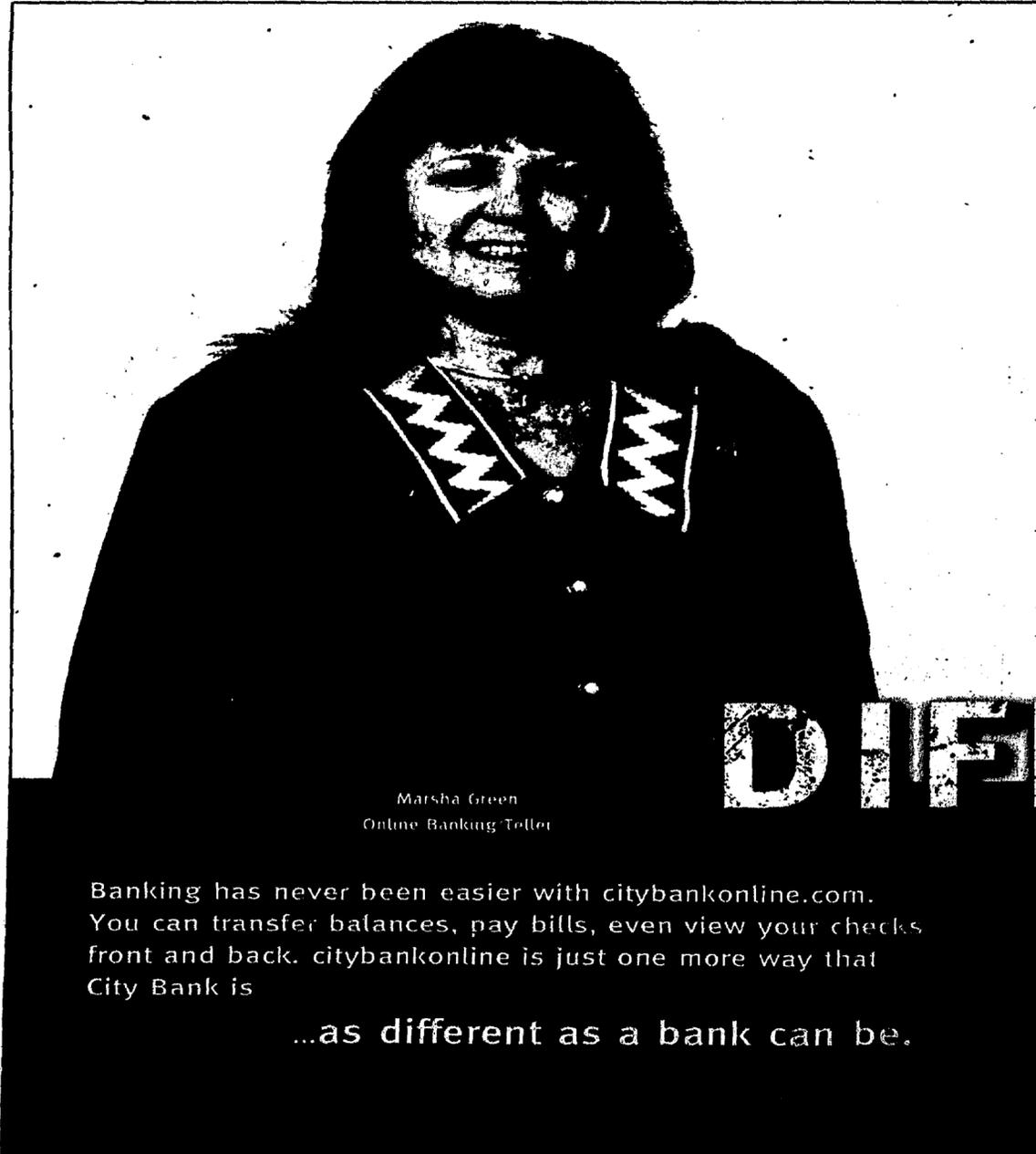
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P&Z members recommend against triplex rezoning proposal

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Citing objections from neighbors and a change in the nature of the area, members of the Ruidoso Planning and Zoning Commission denied a zone map amendment Tuesday.

Applicant Glenn Remington wants to build a triplex at 112 Apache Hills Drive and was asking for zoning on the land to be shifted from single-family residential to multi-family use.

At a meeting earlier this month, several residents objected to the plan and more letters in opposition were contained in the application file, along with a few in favor.

"I looked extensively for R3 property and it's hard to come by," Remington told commission members. "I thought I'd give this a shot. It would be a rental whether it is for a single family or multiple families. R3 allows four units, so I thought a triplex might sit with you better."

He's built two other similar

units in town and they have a good history of being kept up, he said.

"If we rezone, it would set a precedent for other lots in the area," said commission member Bill Hirschfeld. He offered a motion to deny the petition, which was seconded by Mike Reveley and passed four to three. The petition automatically goes to the village council for final action. The commission only recommends zoning changes.

In other planning and zoning

action, the commission:

- Approved a variance to allow the west side of a building within 10.31 feet of the front lot line in Palmer Gateway subdivision, Tract UB, requested by Gregg Griffin, but postponed action on a commercial site development plan until all information required on the application is submitted. Four of 11 conditions for approval recommended by staff were deleted.

- Approved a variance with conditions for Walter Coffman

Kennedy in a 5-1 vote with Mike Reveley voting no. Kennedy wants the variance for an existing metal carport on Lot 13, Block 4, 4th addition to Airport West.

- Approved unanimously a variance for Mike and Cindy Lynch to allow the enclosure of an existing carport that is 4 feet, 4 inches from the north side of the lot line and to build a new carport within 4 feet, 4 inches of the same lot line. The standard setback is 10 feet. The proposal did not meet

requirements for a variance because the addition could be built onto the back of the house, Bremner noted in his report.

- Approved as redrawn a sketch plan review for Lots 1A, 1B, 2A, 2B, 1C, 2C, 12 and 13 in Pine Point Estates requested by Roy Sutton. A private road on the land is to be built to Lincoln County specifications for private roads. The land is located between Sierra Blanca Airport Road and Old Fort Stanton Road, and borders Pine Creek Estates.

Downs council to consider zoning

BY MELANIE SATTLER
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

At the next Ruidoso Downs city council meeting, trustees will hear the planning and zoning board's recommendation regarding the use of Corena Baca and Ron Yue's property on Wood Lane.

In May, Baca requested an expansion of non-conforming use for the tract, so that she would be able to keep up to five horses on the property. The board did not consider her request in June because not enough board members were present to hold the meeting.

Baca had asked the city council to decide the

matter, however, the council deferred and requested the board meet before the next council meeting to consider it.

The council will also consider an agreement with Lincoln County Medical Center and Presbyterian Healthcare Services to provide emergency medical services to the city.

Trustees will award a bid for wildland personnel protective gear. Funds for the equipment for the fire department come from a Federal Emergency Management Agency grant.

The City of Ruidoso Downs' next regular council meeting takes place Tuesday, June 25, at 5:30 p.m. in the Hubbard Room of the municipal building on Downs Drive.

CHURCH: Cabin idea doesn't sit well

FROM PAGE 1A

you're not accepting the whole site plan," he told the board.

Commission member Bill Hirschfeld pointed out that when neighbors bought surrounding property they should have known the extra church-owned parcel was zoned for multi-family use. If this project isn't approved, the church could sell the land to someone for duplexes and triplexes, up to 14 units per acre, he said.

"I'd rather see triplexes than barracks and teens out on campouts," said Linda Flack, a former planning and zoning commission member who lives near the church. "We knew the church could expand, but we didn't think it would be nightly rentals. These people will be coming for a night or a week when they could

stay at our local motels. I'm concerned that the value of our property would change with 200 people roaming all over the neighborhood.

"I have nothing against the church, but even now we see kids at night walking around with flashlights. Usually, church activities are not seven days a week, 24-hours a day."

Six other neighbors echoed her views.

Bill Baca from Willie Horton Drive, said he doubts if the church would reimburse property owners for the drop in value or that the village would lower taxes.

Bill Brooks, also from Willie Horton Drive, said. "We're talking a commercial operation in a residential area. We all worked all of our lives to retire here. We

have a lot at stake."

He thanked church officials for their honesty about future plans, but suggested they sell the property and purchase a tract further out of town and not in a residential area.

No one objected to the pavilion portion of the project.

Yount said anytime youth groups are visiting the church, they are chaperoned.

Runnels advised commission members that if they allowed the pavilion, they would be changing the use of the two church tracts zoned for multi-residential use and a conditional use permit must be requested by the church.

To grant the conditional use will establish a precedent, Underwood said.

Action was not taken.

WATER: State engineer talks of future

FROM PAGE 1A

erally by U.S. senators Pete Domenici (R-N.M.) and Jeff Bingaman (D-N.M.).

"If you do proper management, the state's waters can grow," Turney said. "There's projections the state's going to grow 85 percent over the next 50 years, and that can happen, but the state's going to have to manage its water."

That means, he said, facing such issues as "overgrown forests," watershed management, and metering all new domestic wells. His goal is to adjudicate all New Mexico water within the next 20 years, a process he estimated will cost the state \$170 million. He has, he said, been working with Domenici and Bingaman for

funding.

Domenici, this week, said he has "asked the federal government in various appropriation bills during the year ... for money for water and watershed projects throughout New Mexico." Part of a requested \$60 million appropriation, he said, is targeted to Alamogordo, as well as other areas including Albuquerque's north valley and the Red River.

While in the state last week-end, water was something Domenici said he addressed when he met with the New Mexico Water Trust Board to "collaborate" on how to move water projects forward. One topic, he said, was "the ability of the state of New Mexico Water Fund to match some of our (federal)

eral) money so that ... communities would have sufficient water.

"It's a very exciting program the state has put together," he said.

Michael Shinabery is a reporter for the Alamogordo Daily News, a sister paper of the Ruidoso News.

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The company, with a base in Roswell, will be training military and law enforcement units in high-tech and anti-terrorism techniques, company officials told Lincoln County commissioners last month.

Tours will be conducted as part of the open house. Casual wear and good walking shoes are recommended. Refreshments will be served.

The HEAT range, the former Latigo Ranch headquarters, is a half mile north of Tinnie on State Road 368.

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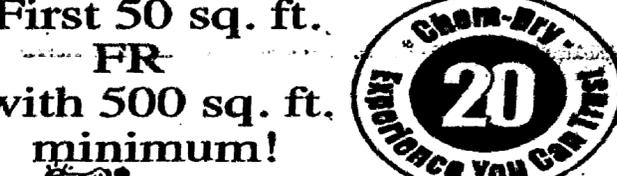


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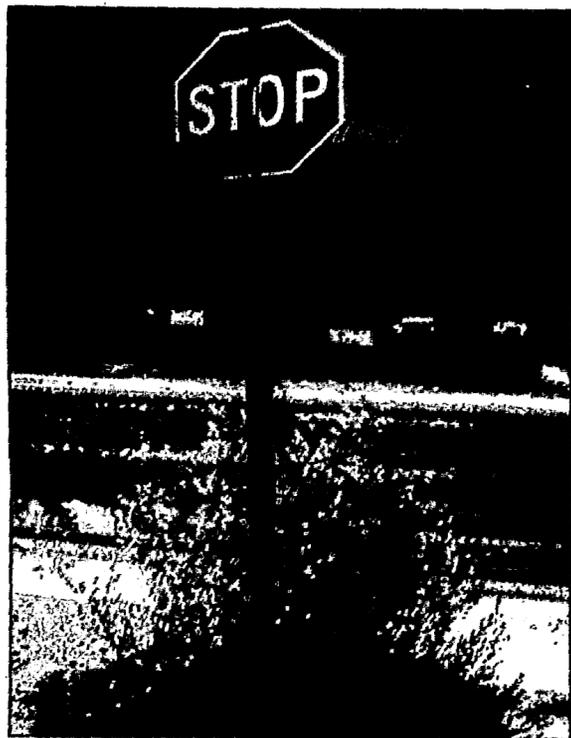
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Keeping Ruidoso beautiful



PHOTOS BY DIANNE STALLINGS/STAFF



Civic pride seems lacking by some commercial property owners outside of Mid-town who either wait for the village to come by and trim weeds or don't care about the untidy appearance along Ruidoso's main street. One of the exceptions is Cattle Baron, above, whose staff keeps the sidewalks trimmed even where the drought has taken its toll with brown patches.



Last week's rain only a half inch

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The rain June 14 came down hard and fast, causing gutters to overflow on Sudderth Drive, but the final tally didn't add up to more than half an inch.

That didn't matter to residents in Ruidoso. Many people came out of their homes and offices to feel the drops that have been missing for months in anything more than a few

drizzles.

Hail fell in a few spots, but no damage was reported.

The rain was spotty although overcast skies allowed the moisture to seep into the ground instead of evaporating from an intense sun.

The Ruidoso Police Department reported 16/100ths of an inch and Sierra Blanca Regional Airport collected a half inch of rain.

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SPORTS

Thoroughbreds to take center stage

Centaur Challenge trials will run today

The purses for this weekend's stakes races total about \$70,000.

BY TODD FUQUA
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

The Ruidoso Downs Race Track is known worldwide for its quarter horse program, yet this weekend will be a showcase of Thoroughbreds from the area.

Starting Saturday, two handicap races featuring Thoroughbreds 3 years old and up will be run. The Master Salls Handicap, an 870-yard race featuring a mixture of Thoroughbreds and quarter horses, is scheduled to go off at about 3:30 p.m., while the Aspen Cup Handicap, a six furlong race for fillies, will be run

at approximately 4:30 p.m.

Sunday's racing will culminate in the Free Spirit Handicap for Thoroughbreds 3 years old and up at six furlongs.

Nominations for all races came to a close last week and the purse for each one is estimated between \$17,000 and \$20,000.

In fact, most of the horses nominated for the Master Salls have earned at least \$90,000 apiece in their careers.

Centaur Challenge

While Thoroughbred racing will be in the spotlight this weekend, there will also be some quarter horse action today when the trials for the Centaur

Challenge are run.

The Centaur Challenge is part of the six-race MBNA Challenge, which pits the top quarter horses in the country against one another in a national playoff format. With the country divided into 10 regions, the winning horse from each region gets to run in the national finals at Lone Star Park in Grand Prairie, Texas, in November.

The first of those six races for the New Mexico region — the Bayer Legend Derby — was run last weekend with Little Baby Sister taking first. This weekend's Centaur Challenge is a 400-yard race for fillies and mares 3 years old and up.

The top 10 finishers in

today's trials will be eligible for the \$20,000-added final, to be run at Ruidoso Downs July 7.

Among those entered in the trials is Dust Em Dusty, a past entry in the Rainbow Futurity, and Elans Lucky Charm, who ran in this year's Ruidoso Derby.



TODD FUQUA/STAFF
A lone rider takes a horse out for a morning workout recently at Ruidoso Downs. The track will play host to a number of Thoroughbred stakes races starting Saturday.

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Softball Standings

Men's Softball Standings			
Recreational			
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Homeboys	8	1	.889
Buzzards	5	4	.556
Rookies	3	4	.429
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Amity	3	6	.333
Sawyer Warriors	2	6	.250

Competitive			
	W	L	Pct.
Lugnuts	8	1	.889
Thunder	7	1	.875
Nads	7	2	.778
Mescalero Indians	5	3	.625
Grizzlies	5	4	.556
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Mescalero Apaches	2	8	.200

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	W	L	Pct.
Flamingos	8	0	1.000
Thunder and Lightning	6	2	.750
Blue Angels	2	6	.286
Razzors	2	6	.250
Young Guns	1	6	.143

Sports on Tap

Thursday, June 20
Horse racing
Thoroughbred and quarter horse claiming, maiden and allowance racing at Ruidoso Downs, 3:30 p.m.

Friday, June 21
Horse racing
Centaur Challenge trials at Ruidoso Downs, 3:30 p.m.

Saturday, June 22
Horse racing
Aspen Cup Handicap and Master Salls Handicap at Ruidoso Downs, 1 p.m.

Sunday, June 23
Horse racing
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On Deck

Golf School at the Links
A Performance Golf School will be conducted at The Links at Sierra Blanca June 29-30. Cost for a full two days of golf instruction with on-course play is a modest \$250, while junior golfers pay only \$185. Included in the fee is personal instruction, unlimited range balls, at least six mini-clinics, a copy of the PGS instructional manual Secrets of the Game, 18 holes of golf with cart, prizes for on-course competition, a certificate of completion and an embossed cordura shoe bag for a tee prize.
Lessons cover swing basics, full shots with woods and irons, chipping and putting, bunker play and the mental game. There is also advice on equipment, rules, etiquette and playing in tournaments.

Wellness Challenge Run
There will be a Mescalero Wellness Challenge Run Saturday, July 6 beginning at 8 a.m. The run will feature a 10K run, 5K run and one mile fun walk. Registration is from 7-8 a.m. on July 6 and t-shirts will be given to the first 100 participants. For more information, call Leoma at 464-6383.

Carrizozo to host Camp
Carrizozo High School will host a volleyball camp July 8-9 at the Carrizozo gym for grades 7-12. Cost of the camp is \$60, and the camp's instructor will be Western New Mexico University head volleyball coach Jim Calender. There will be two sessions each day. For more information, contact Bill MacVeigh at 354-2601, Gwen Huston at 648-2348 or Mandy Baca at 648-2881.

Zip First, this year's Quarter Horse Triple Crown hopeful

BY BRUCE RIMBO
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Great race horses often times look the part. They have that certain look about them. Some are even a little eccentric in their manners, almost understanding they are something special.

The special and, some might say, unusual characteristics about the quarter horse Zip First are not immediately apparent from his looks.

He's actually quite ordinary looking and acting when you first see him. His looks don't necessarily give a hint that he is perhaps the fastest 2-year-old quarter horse in the nation in 2002.

There's nothing immediately apparent in his mannerisms that would tell you he has earned more money than any other 2-year-old race horse this year. For that matter, only one race horse in history has earned \$390,000 at a younger age than Zip First.

Having won the \$566,000 Ruidoso Futurity, first leg of the All American Triple Crown at Ruidoso Downs, Zip First still has a chance to win the \$4 Million All American Triple Crown bonus by sweeping the Rainbow Futurity July 21 and the All American Futurity Sept.



TODD FUQUA/STAFF
Zip First, far left, narrowly beats out Fast First Call during the Ruidoso Futurity June 9 at Ruidoso Downs. The horse, owned by Gary Hartstack and trained by Leon Bard, has a unique problem for which Bard found a unique solution.

2. He doesn't seemingly act the part of a young prince in the sport of kings except for that one little problem that is a tad unusual, even in a great race horse.

It's not something anyone is proud of or likes to talk about. They'd rather sweep it under the rug or talk about something else. Most are embarrassed by the little problem but they just can't help it.

You see, Zip First needs a counseling session. He's claus-

trophobic. He has the same malady known as an abnormal fear of enclosed places that plagues millions of Americans but very few race horses.

"I really didn't discover his problem until May at Ruidoso," said trainer Leon Bard, who operates a public training stable in his home of Bryan, Texas, about 90 minutes from Austin.

On March 2, Bard hauled Zip First the 90-minute ride from Bryan to Manor Downs

See ZIP FIRST, page 2B



TODD FUQUA/STAFF
Les Carter, right, confers with Ruidoso Lady Warrior golfer LeeAnne Henson during this year's Class 3A state tournament in Socorro. Carter was removed from the head football coach's position at RHS last month.

Carter replaced as football coach at Ruidoso High

BY TODD FUQUA
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

The on-again, off-again football coaching career of Les Carter is off again, as he has been replaced at Ruidoso High by former assistant Rich Bowden.

Carter, who was removed from his position following a routine evaluation at the end of the school year in May, will retain his job as head girls golf coach and will continue a full teaching schedule at RHS.

RHS athletic director Ron Wall didn't give specifics as to why Carter was asked to step down, only that he was not recommended to return as the head coach.

As for Carter's successor, Wall said Bowden — who had been the offensive coordinator for two years at RHS — brings in a lot of experience.

See CARTER, page 2B

Concentrate on known factors when choosing a horse

Handicapper's Corner

Dale Wood
"The Ole Radio Man"

While there are many known factors, there are many more unknown factors when it comes to selecting contenders in a race. We try to use about six known factors and hope they are strong enough to overcome the unknown factors. Just like people, horses have good days and bad days.

It is difficult for a novice to know how a horse feels. Look for a horse that has a sleek shiny coat and is alert when he comes on the track. If he is showing signs of refusal to do what he is trained to do, I will look for another horse.

After narrowing the field to five contenders in a Thoroughbred

race, I look for the speed that holds and pace that closes down the stretch. You can see this in the past performance of the horses in the program.

Speed and pace — two distinct running styles — must be understood as you try to visualize how a race will set up. When it comes to speed related to pace, the best bet many times is proven front-runners who look capable of controlling the pace.

Front-runners don't have to worry about bad racing luck if they make the lead uncontested. In this case the jockey is not quite as critical as when off the pace horses have to contend with traffic, racing room, position on the turns, when to move and other decisions that must be made by the jockey. Horses in sprints who control the pace — lone speed in the race that runs on the front uncontested — or speed horses that run in the first one third of the field, when pace is controlled, are many times your best bet.

Wire to wire uncontested sprint horses win about 25 percent of the time. In routes, horses that consistently run in the first one third of the field have the best chance when two or more consistent front-runners hook up on the front. A consistently fast horse that goes off at good odds is always worth a look.

The horse that stalks the speed just off the pace of two or more horses battling for the lead and makes his move down the stretch will win more races than speed horses contesting for the lead for most of the race.

One of the worst bets is a late running sprinter going from a sprint to a route. He may be able to close but may be so far back that he can't make up the distance.

As always, price is the deciding factor. Most handicappers approach horse racing as if it were a game where the goal is to pick as many winners as possible regardless of the odds. Successful bettors approach it as a game where the goal is to show as much profit as possible by wagering on horses at odds that will allow you to do that.

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ZIP FIRST: Don't box him in

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Race Track in Austin for his first race. Zip First won that race by a length and qualified for the Grade 2 Longhorn Futurity to be run two weeks later. After the race, Bard hauled Zip First home.

"He doesn't really mind the 90-minute ride from Bryan to Austin," Bard said. "He gets off the trailer, runs his race and is on his way home again where he is his usual self." That process worked again two weeks later when Zip First won the Longhorn Futurity by a widening two lengths this time.

Bard, who 20 years ago trained a champion in Indigo Illusion, repeated the process twice more — winning the Grade 2 Manor Downs Futurity April 14. His four 90-minute rides had resulted in four victories, including two stakes wins, \$158,000 in paychecks and a happy horse.

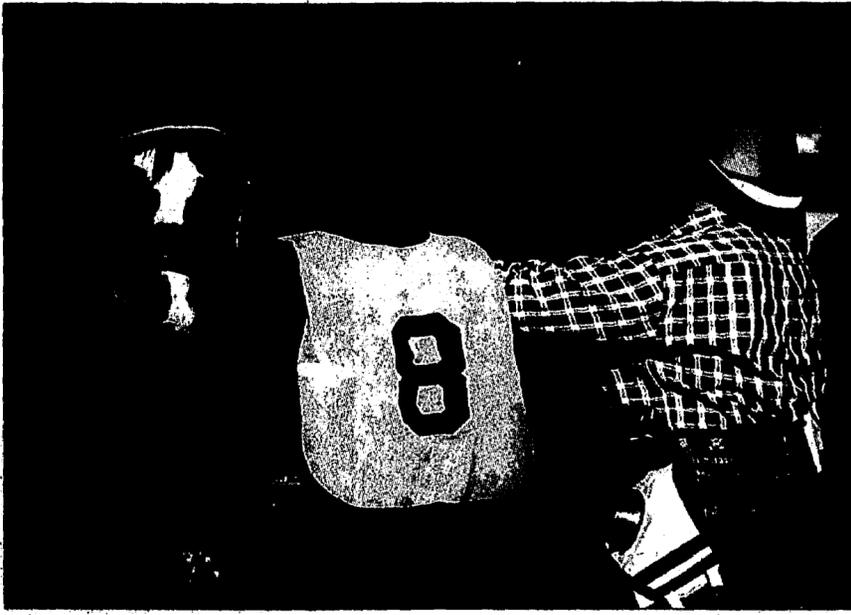
But in May it was time to change and move to the "big time" at Ruidoso Downs. Bard encouraged Zip First's owner Gary Hartstack of Washington, Texas to pay a \$15,000 supplemental fee to make Zip First eligible for the rich Grade 1 Ruidoso Futurity. But this time the drive was a lot more than 90 minutes. It's about 700 miles from Ruidoso to Bryan, so there could be no quick turnaround.

"We arrived a few days before the race and Zip First just acted really strange," Bard said afterward. "He wasn't eating...he wasn't sleeping. He was just really out of sorts and so I was worried about him running his race."

Bard's concern was justified because Zip First would not run his race. There were 224 horses in the 23 races on May 24th at Ruidoso Downs and only the 10 fastest would qualify for the rich Futurity. Zip First was an overwhelming favorite in his trial race but for the first time he got beat, running second by a neck. But his time was just fast enough to be among the 10 qualifiers for the June 9 futurity.

"I couldn't figure out what was wrong, so we loaded him back up in the trailer and took him home even though the futurity was only two weeks away," Bard said of his young horse with more frequent flier miles than any other race horse in the country. "Heck, as soon as he got home, he was back to his old self. He was sleeping and eating and playing just like he always did at home."

Bard was determined to figure out what the problem was. "I went and bought an infrared camera and put it in his stall," Bard said. "I put the monitor in my bed-



TODD FUQUA/STAFF

Zip First gets some extra attention in the paddock from trainer G. Leon Bard, right, before The June 9 Ruidoso Futurity.

room and sat up all night watching him. When he would get up, he wanted to look around. In his stall at home, he can see out all four sides. I knew what it was, he couldn't stand to be closed up."

At Ruidoso, Zip First's stall during his May trip was like all of the other 1,800 stalls in the barn area and like those in just about every barn area in the country. There are three walls from floor to ceiling and the other wall is a half door or front entrance where the horse can put his head out and look around. Not being able to see out was more than Zip First could stand.

"I went out and bought him a portable stall and a feed tub just like he has at home," Bard said. "We loaded it up on the trailer and hauled him back to Ruidoso just a few days before the futurity." The stall was put up away from the regular Ruidoso barns under a corrugated tin roof, hardly the usual setting for a Champion. But, Bard said, "he could stick his head out on all four sides and see what was going on. He ate, slept and was just great. It was just like home."

Bard had hit the nail on the head, which became apparent a few days later when a national television crew came to film Zip First. The reporter heard the story and asked Bard to lead Zip First back into one of those seemingly claustrophobic stalls. "He immediately got agitated and all upset," said Bard. "He didn't like it at all until we returned him to his portable

stall."

As a matter of fact, Zip First felt so much at home in his portable stall that on June 9 he put his nose in front of Fast First Call and Southern Cartel to win the Ruidoso Futurity and its \$233,000 first-place check. That brought Zip First's total earnings to \$392,000 after just six races. Only one other race horse in history — Quick Moon Sign — has earned more money by June 9 of its 2-year-old year.

Now Zip First will concentrate on the Rainbow Futurity Trials July 5 at Ruidoso Downs. It will cost another \$25,000 supplemental fee to enter those trials.

A subsequent victory in the Rainbow would mean another \$300,000 for Zip First. And a victory in the All American Futurity on Labor Day, which carries a \$1 million check to the winner, would also result in a \$4 million bonus for any horse that sweeps the All American Triple Crown at Ruidoso Downs.

Should that Triple Crown feat be accomplished, Zip First will have earned about \$5.7 million...more than enough to pay for that shrink to help him with his claustrophobia.

And where is Zip First now? Why as soon as the Ruidoso Futurity was over, Leon Bard hauled him 700 miles back to Bryan. Because even though his portable stall at Ruidoso Downs is still standing and waiting for his return in early July, for Zip First, there apparently is no place like home.

CARTER: Gone from the gridiron

FROM PAGE 1B

"He was an assistant under Cooper Henderson at Artesia for a number of years, and we were in a pretty good situation to replace Les from within the staff," Wall said.

Carter himself was also happy with Bowden's selection.

"I'm very supportive of Rich," Carter said. "I think he's an excellent coach. I think the best thing about him is his No. one concern is the kids."

"He'll always do what's best

for them," he added.

This is the second time Carter has been replaced as head football coach. He was at the helm from 1994 to 1999 before resigning and being replaced by Rodney Webb. He came back last year for one season.

In his five years at Ruidoso High, Carter has also been the head baseball coach, and led the Warrior football team to the state 3A semifinals in 1997, the state 3A quarterfinals in 1994, 1996 and 1999, and the state 3A championship in 1998.

Except for their game against Piedra Vista in 1999, the Warriors lost each time to Artesia in those playoff contests.

Local hoopsters to work out kinks

BY TODD FUQUA

RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Starting at 9 a.m. this morning, more than 20 high school varsity, junior varsity and freshman teams will take to the court in a basketball camp at both the high school and middle school, and Ruidoso coach Billy Page is looking at this weekend's action as a chance to further explore his team's abilities.

The Warrior varsity team takes on Alamogordo at 9 a.m. in Warrior Gym, and will play five games today and Saturday, all at Ruidoso High School.

Also taking part in this weekend's camp will be Mayfield, West Las Vegas, Roswell, Belen, Cloudcroft, Quemado, Cobre, Hondo, Mescalero, Wingate, Hot Springs and Canutillo, Texas.

Hondo takes on Tularosa's junior varsity today at 9 a.m. in the high school auxiliary gym, while Mescalero faces off against Cloudcroft at 10 a.m. in the middle school auxiliary gym.

"We've been to a couple of camps already, and we don't look bad at times," said Ruidoso High coach Billy Page. "We have the core of the kids out there right now, but we're still missing a bunch of kids."

The Warriors have been to camps at Mayfield and West Las Vegas thus far this summer, and have gone 7-5 in that time.

"Page said the lack of senior participation this summer is puzzling, but added the young players' willingness to step up is encouraging."

"The younger ones are pumped up about the upcoming season," Page said. "If the older guys come back and get on board, we're liable to be pretty decent."

"Even if they don't, we'll be young but pretty good. The younger players are playing well this summer and getting some experience."

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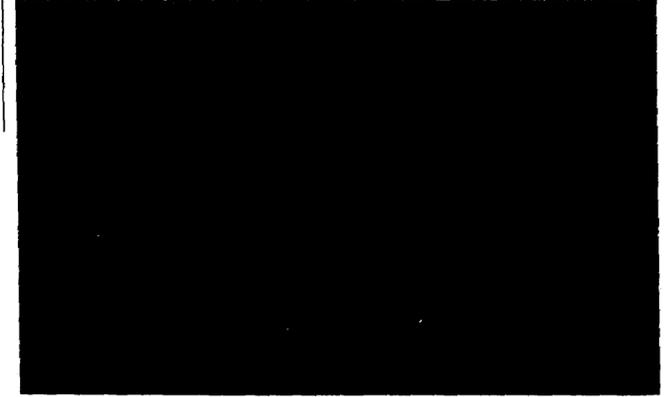
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FLOOD PLAIN AND WETLANDS NOTICE EARLY PUBLIC REVIEW NOTICE

The Village of Capitan, New Mexico, is considering improvements to the Wastewater Treatment System by installing a bar screen, adding an aerating system, re-routing and adding a wetland cell.

The Facility is located at Township 9S, Range 14E, Section 10 within the legal boundaries of the Village of Capitan.

The Project has been determined not to be located in a 100-year (Zone A) Flood plain, based on the Flood Plain Insurance Map (FIRM) panel numbers Special Flood Hazard Zone A 5/25/76 and 3/28/78, as well as the areas flooded during the heavy floods in the Village in the years 1929 and 1941. A flood plain map composed December 1990 by Dr. Reimann can be reviewed in the Capitan Village Hall at 114 Lincoln Avenue, Capitan New Mexico, 88316.

Written comments will be received by Dr. Reimann at the Capitan Village Hall, P.O. Box 246, Capitan, NM 88316 until July 5, 2002.

Bernhard E. F. Reimann, Dr. rer. Nat. Environmental Advisor Villager of Capitan

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LEGAL NOTICE

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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners has received the following road review request:

1. Request to vacate portions of Taos Rd, Sun Valley Subdivision, Lot 7, Block 1, petitioner is Angus Campbell.
2. Request to abandon a portion of Alpine Road (re-named Coronado) that was never built, Loma Grande Acres, Block 3 between Lots 13 & Tract D. Petitioner is Ms. Joyce Harter.
3. Request to Close County Road #E038, off State Road #369, the Arabella Highway, 1.05 miles to private ranch house, George Sisneros is the petitioner.

LEGAL NOTICE

Pursuant to Section 67-6-9, N.M.S.A., the Board of Commissioners has appointed a Road Review Committee which will meet at 8:00 A.M. on Wednesday, June 26, 2002. The Road Review Committee will meet at the Sun Valley Post Office at Alto, and proceed to view the locations.

The report of the Road Review Committee will be presented to the Board of Commissioners during their regular meeting on July 18, 2002.

Anyone wishing to make comments or recommendations may do so at any of the above mentioned meetings.

REX WILSON
CHAIRMAN
LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

(SEAL)
Tammie J. Maddox, Village Clerk

LEGAL NOTICE

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Case No PB-02-19 (111)
STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
RAMONA EVELYN KELLER SPIRES, Deceased

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first publication of this notice, or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned Personal Representative at the address listed below, or filed with the Twelfth Judicial District Court within and for the County of Lincoln at the following address: Twelfth Judicial District Court, Post Office Box 725, Carrizozo, New Mexico, 88301-0725.

Dated: June 12, 2002
/s/Richard A. Jennings
3307 19th Street
Lubbock, Texas 79410
(806) 780-6500
/s/ Alan P. Morel, P.A.
Post Office Box 1030
Ruidoso, New Mexico 88355-1030
(505)258-2202
Attorney for Personal Representative
#5081 1T (6) 21

VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO, NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ADOPT

ORDINANCE 2002-08

Notice is hereby given that the Governing Body, Village of Ruidoso shall conduct a public hearing in conjunction with a regular meeting scheduled on July 9, 2002 at 6:30 p.m. at the Ruidoso Administrative Center for the purpose of adopting the following ordinance:

ORDINANCE 2002-08, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO MUNICIPAL CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 78 TAXATION, ARTICLE II LODGERS TAX, SECTION 34 TAX IMPOSED, TO INCREASE THE PERCENTAGE OF LODGERS TAX ON THE GROSS TAXABLE RENT FOR LODGING PAID."

Copies of Ordinance 2002-08 are on file in the office of the Village Clerk and are available for public review Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Village of Ruidoso this 21st day of June, 2002.

(SEAL)
Tammie J. Maddox, Village Clerk

LEGAL NOTICE

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LEGAL NOTICE

VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO Parks and Recreation Committee

NOTICE OF RE-SCHEDULE OF A REGULAR MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Parks and Recreation Committee has re-scheduled the Regular Meeting previously scheduled for Wednesday, June 19, 2002 at 6:30 p.m. to Monday, June 24, 2002 at 12:05 p.m. at the Village Administrative Building, 313 Cree Meadows Dr. Ruidoso, NM. Meeting of the Parks and Recreation Committee are open to the public. If you have any questions, please contact Rafael Salas, Parks and Recreation Director, 801 Resort Drive, Ruidoso, NM 88345; Phone: (505) 257-5030.

/s/Rafael R. Salas, Parks and Recreation Department Director
#5076 4T (6) 19, 21, 26, 28

LEGAL NOTICE

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Region IX Education Cooperative Related Service Providers (Occupational Therapists, Physical Therapists, Speech/Language Pathologists, Clinical Psychologists, School Psychologists, Social Workers)

Minimum Requirements:
1. State Department of Education Licensure.
2. State of New Mexico license, as appropriate.
Complete Request Proposal information available at REC IX Office, Proposal submission deadline is Friday, July 12, 2002. Only fully qualified candidates need inquire. For additional information, please call (505) 257-2368.

Fred Romero or Teresa Barnett, REC IX is an equal opportunity employer.

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LEGAL NOTICE

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Region IX Education Cooperative Educational Diagnostician Services educational Diagnosticians, School Psychologists)

Minimum requirements:
1. State Department of Education Licensure.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-02-131

STATE OF NEW MEXICO, ex rel.,

STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT OF NEW MEXICO,

Petitioner,

vs.

SUE P. EDWARDS aka BILLIE SUE EDWARDS,

LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, C/O LINCOLN COUNTY CLERK,

PROPERTY TAX DIVISION OF THE

LEGAL NOTICE

TAXATION AND REVENUE DEPARTMENT,

ALL UNKNOWN OWNERS OR CLAIMANTS OF THE PROPERTY INVOLVED,

Defendants.

NOTICE OF PRELIMINARY ORDER OF ENTRY AND NOTICE OF CONDEMNATION

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(7-3) is located on the easterly side of U.S. 70, beginning approximately 3.38 miles northerly along U.S. 70 from the intersection of Agua Fria Drive and extending approximately 17 feet northerly, within Lincoln County, New Mexico.

and the above property is more particularly described under its parcel number in the Petition on file in this cause, and that such highway project has been designated New Mexico Project AC-MIP-070-4(35)264, in Lincoln County, New Mexico.

You, and each of you, are hereby notified that the amount offered as just compensation, shown with each separate numerical parcel designation, has been deposited by the Petitioner with the Clerk of the District Court and a portion or all of the amount offered may be withdrawn by a person having an estate or interest in the property described in the Petition on file. This withdrawal may be made only by order of the Court upon proper motion.

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Mexico, this 11th day of June, 2002.

Jan Perry
Clerk of the District Court
(SEAL)

By: Elizabeth Ysasi
Deputy

CHRISTYR400LEDWARDS

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-02-130

STATE OF NEW MEXICO, ex rel.,

STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT OF NEW MEXICO,

Petitioner,

vs.

MARY ANN HUTCHINSON,

GERALD F. AND DIANA J. ROSLEE,

LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, C/O LINCOLN COUNTY CLERK,

PROPERTY TAX DIVISION OF THE

TAXATION AND REVENUE DEPARTMENT,

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(5-CME-1) is located on the westerly side of U.S. 70, beginning approximately 2.08 miles northerly along U.S. 70 from the intersection of Agua Fria Drive and extending approximately 49 feet northerly, within Lincoln County, New Mexico.

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Jan Perry
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(SEAL)

By: Elizabeth Ysasi
Deputy

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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-02-129

STATE OF NEW MEXICO, ex rel.,

STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT OF NEW MEXICO,

Petitioner,

vs.

DELLA NERIA,

ROBERTA ROUSSEAU, C/O BRAD L. HAYS, ESCQ,

LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, C/O LINCOLN COUNTY CLERK,

PROPERTY TAX DIVISION OF THE

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(50-1-A) is located on the southerly side of U.S. 70, beginning approximately 7.50 miles easterly along U.S. 70 from the intersection of U.S. 380 and extending approximately 835 feet easterly, within Lincoln County, New Mexico.

(50-1-B) is located on the southerly side of U.S. 70, beginning approximately 7.79 miles easterly along U.S. 70 from the intersection of U.S. 380 and extending approximately 228 feet easterly, within Lincoln County, New Mexico.

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LEGAL NOTICES

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of the District Court of County, New Mexico, this 11th day of June, 2002.

Jan Perry Clerk of the District Court (SEAL)

By: Elizabeth Ysasi Deputy

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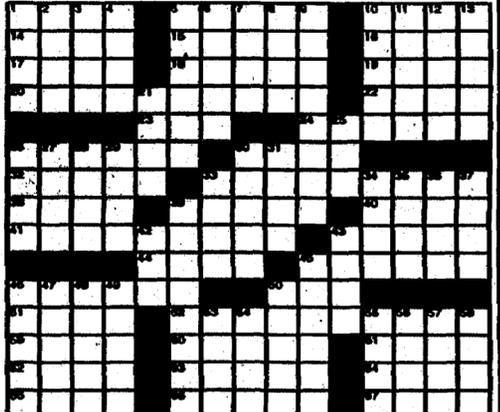
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Dee Wescott's colorful "Piano Bar" is just one of the pieces she's shown in her three years on the Art Loop, which takes place this year on July 12 and 13.

Here we go loop de loop

The annual Art Loop has wound its way back to town, this time featuring 19 artists

BY SANDY SUGGITT
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A great way to see the multifaceted landscapes of the county and the multifaceted talents of the artists who live and work here is to loop around the county with the Art Loop July 12 and 13.

Nineteen artists will open their studios to the public for this self-guided tour, displaying paintings, ceramics, sculpture, jewelry, leather, hand-woven clothing, woodwork, multidimensional folk art, hand-painted porcelain, batik apparel and more. *Vamos*

will make the loop several times over the coming weeks.

For a more detailed view of the Art Loop works and detailed area maps, visit the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce or the Capitan Public Library, where samples of the artists' work are on display, or go online to www.art-loop.org.

Brochures of the Art Loop with brief descriptions of each artist and maps will be available at the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce, the individual studios and many other places around the community.

Glencoe's Dee Wescott

"Painterly painter" Dee Wescott is in the Art Loop for the third year, showing the mastery of 30 years of painting in watercolor, oil, acrylic, gesso, gouache and mixed-media collage. This year alone, the Glencoe painter's work has been accepted in eight national exhibitions, winning awards at many of them. She traveled to New York to accept the Paul B. Remmey Award in the American Watercolor Society's Exhibition for "Rainy Day" in May, and this painting will travel the country for a year. One of her collages will be on display at the Lincoln Center in New York for the month of June.

Wescott's work is delightfully hard to pigeon-hole because she mixes mediums and styles from painting to painting, working intuitively with ideas, figures, music, nature, landscapes — or a combination of these.

"I did watercolor exclusively for 15 years, then moved into mixed media and then started mixing it all up," she said. "I'm pretty well mixed — whatever inspires me at the time."

Wescott grew up in Carlsbad and began drawing when she was about 8 years old, encouraged by creative parents. She went on to study art at the University of Texas in Arlington, and attended workshops and classes all over

the country.

"You have to just keep painting and keep those brushes wet," Wescott said.

Wescott also exhibits her work through Lacouture Fine Arts in Ruidoso.

Lincoln's Linda Fox

Abstract and representational paper collages evolving out of ideas and thought processes are the forte of Linda Fox, and her mediums are color, paper, organizing and imagination. Most of what she does is Papier Collé, pasting cutouts of paper in different flat colors, although she sometimes does collages with other materials.

Fox's father was a commercial and fine artist and she grew up with unlimited access to his supplies and plenty of encouragement to experiment with them. Although she has a master's degree in library science from Syracuse University in New York, she's taken art and art history courses throughout school and college and has always had art projects going.

"Free cutting is exhilarating," Fox said. "There is no instruction to follow except that your mind is forming the shape and your hands are cutting it out and what you end up with is something that is completely fresh and unique."

Recent showings have been at Edge Studio & Gallery in

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Jimmy Dorsey Orchestra hits town Saturday

The historic Big Band brass of the Jimmy Dorsey Orchestra is bringing its most prized musical arrangements to the Spencer Theater.

A wood parquet dance floor is being laid before the outdoor stage, and with surrounding tables and heavy hors' d'oeuvre service throughout the night, the elegant presentation of the event, Saturday at 8 p.m., will be reminiscent of the grand night club and big band era.

Tickets are available for \$45, or \$50 the day of the show. Call the Spencer Theater Box Office at 336-4800.

Tonight, ticket holders may also enjoy free professional dance lessons to improve or learn various Swing dancing styles (foxtrot, jitterbug, boogie woogie, Lindy, shag, West Coast, East Coast and Single Swing).

Says visiting instructor Mando Rodriguez of El Paso's Shundo Ballroom Dance Studio, "dancing is not only very good exercise, but combines very good social interaction — all in one package." Those interested in the dance instruction, held on the Spencer stage from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., should

RSVP by calling the box office number or (888) 818-7872.

Single ticket holders are encouraged to participate; Mando says he'll make sure everyone at the lesson will get to work at steps by switching partners around.

The Jimmy Dorsey Orchestra continues to be one of the most successful of all dance orchestras in history, sheathed in performance traditions. Now under the leadership of trombonist Bill Tole, the big band orchestra features three trumpets, four trombones, five saxophones, clarinets, flutes, a Grand piano and the mesmerizing vocals of Tole's sister, Nancy Knorr.

At the Spencer concert, such great hits as "Jimmy Dorsey's Boogie Woogie," "Tangerine," "Amapola" and "Green Eyes," a tribute to the melodies made famous by the great vocalists Helen O'Connell and Bob Eberly, will surely keep the dance floor full.

"These are songs people want to hear and what we have a following for," Knorr said last week from her home in Pennsylvania. "The audience will not only get a taste of Jimmy Dorsey in this concert, but a taste of See SPENCER, page 4C



SANDY SUGGITT/STAFF

This horny toad is just one example of the work at Animalia Pottery, one stop on the Art Loop.



COURTESY SPENCER THEATER

The late Jimmy Dorsey was influential in the Big Band scene.

Cap and gown? I'll take the hamburger and fries

And so we are gathered here today — you, the eager members of the Class of 2002, and we, your family members, who will sit on these hard folding chairs until every last eager one of you has picked up a diploma, at which point we will feel as though the entire Riverdance troupe has been stomping on our buttocks.

Because, gosh, there sure are a LOT of you in the Class of 2002! We in the audience are wondering if there is anybody in North America besides us who is NOT graduating today. And although we know this is very exciting for you, the Class of 2002, we are fighting to stay awake.

We have already engaged in the traditional time-passing activities of commencement audiences, such as trying to remember the names of all Seven Dwarfs, and looking through the commencement program for comical graduate names. We have nudged the person sitting next to us and pointed to names like "Konrad

A. Klamsucker Jr." and "Vorbanna Freeptitude," and that has given us brief moments of happiness.

But we can only do that for so long. Class of 2002, and now we are feeling the despair that comes over members of a commencement audience when they realize that 40 minutes have passed, and the dean is just now starting to hand out diplomas to people whose last names start with "D," and the last name of the lone graduate we actually came to see starts with "W."

We've decided that, if we ever have another child threatening to graduate from college, we're going to have that child's name legally changed to "Aaron A. Aardvark." Yes, the other families in the audience will make fun of it. But their laughter will turn to bitter envy when our child gets his diploma first, and we get up off these folding chairs and head for a restaurant! Ha ha!

We also think it would be nice if commencement pro-

grams had interesting articles for the audience to read, or even short works of fiction with appropriate educational themes. ("As Vorbanna walked across the stage, her tassel swaying seductively, Konrad watched her, his sweating hands caressing the smooth hardness of his embossed leatherette diploma cover, and he thought about that unforgettable night when the two of them, for the first time, matriculated.")

Another option would be to show movies during the commencement ceremonies. Wouldn't that be great? While we were waiting for specific graduates to get their diplomas, we could enjoy such classic education-related cinema moments as the scene in "Animal House" where John Belushi imitates a giant pimple by squeezing his cheeks and spewing chewed food out of his mouth. That would surely get a roar of delight and approval from the audience, and whichever graduate happened

to be on the stage at that moment would think, "Gosh, they certainly are excited about my bachelor's degree in Business Transportation with a minor in Tire Management!" So everybody would benefit.

Sadly, Class of 2002, we are not yet ready, as a society, for this kind of progressive commencement concept. Because the world is not a perfect place. It is a world filled with malice and evil, a world where, today, none of us is truly safe, even in our homes, from the very real danger that a total stranger will call us up and demand that we change our phone company. It will be up to you, the Class of 2002, to tackle these problems — not only to build a better society for tomorrow, but also to take bold action to correct the injustices of the past, starting by promising to pay your parents back for your college tuition.

Ha ha! That was commencement humor, Class of 2002. Your parents do not expect you to pay them back. All that they

expect is that you will go out and find your place in the world. Notice that we say, "the world," as opposed to, "your parents' house." Your parents love you very, very much, Class of 2002, but at this stage in their lives, if they could choose between living with you and living with a Labrador retriever, they quite frankly would go with the Labrador retriever. For one thing, it will not expect them to do its laundry.

In closing, Class of 2002, we would like to leave you with some words of wisdom — words that may mean little to you now, but words that, trust us, you will some day want very much to remember. Those words are: Sleepy, Grumpy, Sneezey, Happy, Dopey and two other ones. Thank you, good luck, and we'll meet you at the restaurant.

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Silver City and Alegre Gallery in Old Mesilla, and she won a merit award and an award for abstract art from the Roswell Fine Arts League/New Mexico Miniature Arts Society 2001 Juried Competition. Her collages are currently showing at The Gallery, 107 East 5th St., Roswell.

Capitan's

Animalia Pottery

Karen Pritchett and Todd Shelby met at Berea College in Berea, Ky., where they both studied art and worked at the

college pottery studio, learning traditional pottery. Anyone who's seen their colorful, whimsical ceramics, though, knows their one-of-a-kind designs are the result of a long evolution of playful experimentation.

"We started just making weird little Christmas ornaments, the next year we had ornaments and few little pots, and drawing and pattern and color gradually took over," Shelby said.

Their beaded-tail cats, starfish-topped teapots, lizard infested platters and colorful drawer pulls are achieved by

using the ancient techniques of sgraffito — carving into the clay — and slip-trailing. Pritchett draws on nature for her designs and Shelby's imagery is cartoon-like narratives of creatures and landscapes.

The couple has been doing their unique pottery for a dozen years and set up their studio in Capitan eight years ago.

"We only take our pottery when we do exhibits or shows, but the Art Loop is an opportunity for us to show off all of our experiments, work in other media," Shelby said. "I do welding and sculpture and Karen makes hats and quilts, funny little ceramic turtles and mosaics. By trying to keep ourselves interested, the work remains interesting."

Animalia Pottery is also available at The Adobe Gallery in Ruidoso.

Nogal's

Richard Rumpf

Visitor's to Richard Rumpf's studio and gallery in Nogal will see yard art, metal sculpture, yard signs and traditional blacksmithing items, such as hooks and fireplace equipment and other functional and decorative items. For those who have never seen a blacksmith at work, though, one of the thrills of the Art Loop will be to watch Rumpf heat and manipulate steel.

"It's a very satisfying occupation to take a raw piece of steel and try to make it into something useful and artistic," he said. "The challenge is to get the correct heat to get the metal to do what you want it to."

Rumpf moved to Nogal about eight years ago and has been blacksmithing full time, for almost two years, he said. His

blacksmithing work evolved over the years from work in a large woodshop in northern Michigan and in industrial plant maintenance. In Albuquerque, before moving to Lincoln County, he studied under blacksmiths Rod and Chad Gunter. Locally, he apprenticed with the late Kent Anderson, one of the original chain-saw bear carvers, while operating a home-maintenance business.

He and his partner, weaver Nancy Ferguson, travel to shows and have displayed their work at the annual Cowboy Symposium, the Nogal Artfest and other events in the area.

Carrizozo's Bill Kerr

From tea cup and saucer sets that look like Grandma's to Southwestern and abstract designs, Bill Kerr's porcelain is exquisitely and painstakingly painted by hand.

Kerr has a master's degree in art from the University of North Texas and taught art for many years in Texas, retiring from the public schools in El Paso. But when he started painting china in 1981 — because his sister wanted to know how to do it — he got hooked and has been painting on porcelain exclusively ever since.

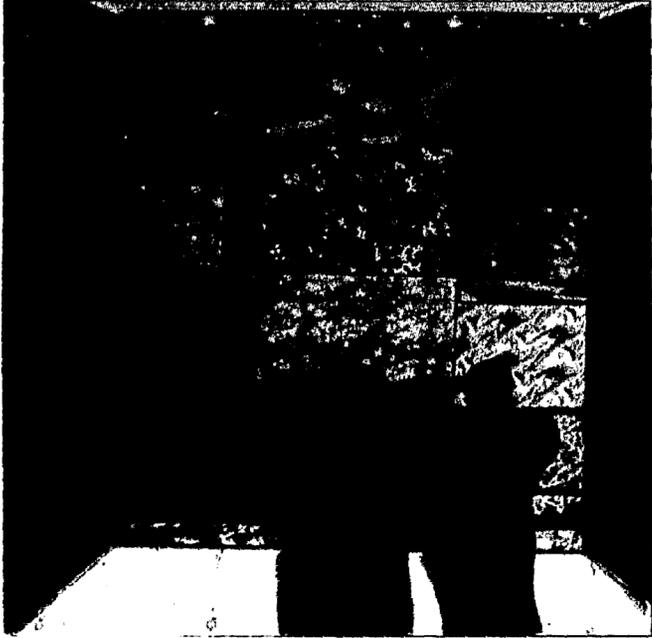
His roses almost smell, and he creates an assortment of beautiful, useful items, including dinner ware, cups and saucers, mugs, decorative plates, tiles and tile table tops.

Kerr continues to teach and lecture on the art of porcelain painting and gives demonstrations. He spends his winters in Santa Cruz, Calif., where he also teaches classes. He will probably consent to paint something for visitors to the Art Loop in July.



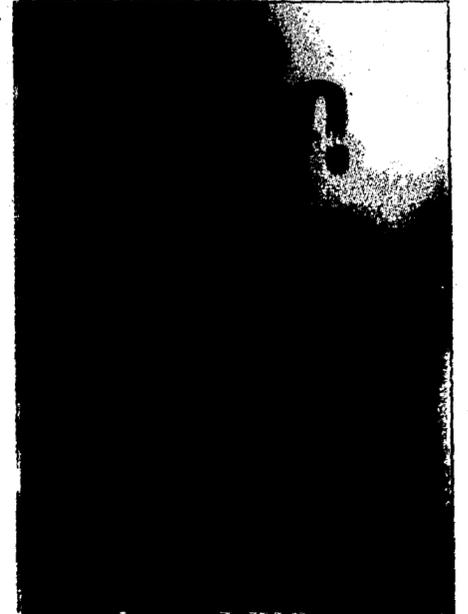
COURTESY PHOTOS

The painted china of Bill Kerr, above, and sculpture of Richard Rumpf, below, are part of the tour.



COURTESY PHOTO

Paper collages, such as "Gallery Views," above, are the strong point of Lincoln's Linda Fox



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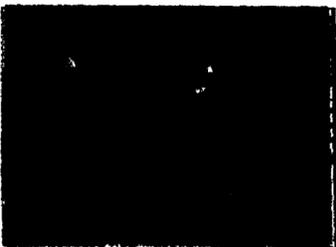
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Parish Community United Presbyterian Church
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Corona Presbyterian Church
Reverend Scott King, Sunday: Church School, 10 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.
Nogal Presbyterian Church
Reverend Bill Sebring. Adult Sunday School: 10 a.m.; worship 11 a.m.
- REFORMED CHURCH**
Mescalero Reformed
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.
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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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American Missionary Fellowship
Rick Smith, 682-2999. Monday: Women's Bible study 6:30 p.m. at Schlutzky's Deli. Tuesday: Ruidoso men's Bible study noon at Pizza Hut, Mechem Drive. Wednesday: (Sept. through May) Capitan Jr High and Sr High Youth Groups 6:30 p.m. at Christ Community Fellowship. E-mail: Rick@americanmissionary.org
Calvary Chapel
127 Vision, next to Cable Co., 257-5915. Pastor John Marshall. Sunday worship 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday: Mid-week bible study 7 p.m.
Carrizo Christian Fellowship
Leonard Kaneseviah III, Pastor. 56 White Mt. Dr., 3 mi. W. of Inn of the Mountain Gods/Mescalero. Sundays 10:30 & 6:30, Wed. 6:30 378-1789
- Centro Cristiano Casa de Oracion
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. (info).
Christ Church in the Downs
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Cornerstone Church
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- BAPTIST**
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- CATHOLIC**
Sacred Heart Catholic Church
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Capitan - Highway 48. Les Earwood, Minister. Sunday Bible study: 10 a.m.; Sunday worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible study: 7 p.m.
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Capitan Foursquare Church
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Capitan, Highway 380 West, 354-2458. Ed Vinson, Pastor. Sunday school, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday worship, 10:30 a.m.

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- ASSEMBLY OF GOD**
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- EPISCOPAL**
St. Matthias Episcopal Chapel
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- METHODIST**
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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 (Thurs.) 6:30 pm; United Methodist Women Every 3rd Wed. 1:30 pm; Fellowship Dinner 4th Sun. of month 12:30 pm.
- NON-DENOMINATIONAL**
Carrizozo Community Church (A/G)
Johnnie L. Johnson, pastor. Corner of C Ave. & Thirteenth, 648-2186. Children's Church 10:30 am; Worship Service 10:30 am; Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 pm.

SPENCER: Orchestra keeps Big Band sound alive

FROM PAGE 1C
Tommy Dorsey too."

The legendary brothers had actually started out together as the Dorsey Brothers Orchestra, amazing audiences with their powerful swing and jazz solos. But their collaborative orchestra, forming in 1934, split a year later when the more volatile younger brother Tommy walked off the bandstand during a performance in 1935.

"They were performing a song in which Jimmy thought Tommy had counted the tempo too fast, causing the band to struggle," Knorr explained. "Tommy said 'If you think you can do a better job, the band is yours!' He picked up his horn and walked off."

Jimmy, considered one of the finest clarinet and alto saxophone players of his day, assumed leadership of the existing orchestra. He continued to favor the swing sound, and with songs like "Jumpin' Jiminey," "Contrasts," "Green Eyes," "Perfidia," "They Can't Take That Away From Me," "All of Me," and "Six Lessons From Madame La Zonga," and most especially Eberly and O'Connell's duets "Brazil," and "Tangerine." He was dubbed "The Jukebox King" and found vast international appeal.

Tommy, a popular trombonist, led a separate band that, with Frank Sinatra and later the Pied Pipers, lent itself more to ballads than swing. Different styles aside, both orchestras enjoyed enormous success, with melodies enjoyed the world over.

"The Big Band music was fun and exciting, and it was not only hot in the United States, it was hot around the world. We were fighting a war and the enemy was singing these songs too," Knorr said. "Even the sad songs, like 'I'll Never Smile Again,'" offered a common



Vocalist Nancy Knorr will croon the tunes for the Jimmy Dorsey Orchestra Saturday at the Spencer Theater.

aspect of life that everyone could identify with. ...In times of war, when people are frightened, they want to come together and unify with music and bond. Music is such a life-saver that way."

About a decade before the Big Band era (1935-1957) was ushered out by rock 'n' roll, Jimmy and Tommy enjoyed a short reunion as the Dorsey Brothers Orchestra after being asked in 1947 to work together on their life story in the film "The Fabulous Dorseys." They again reunited in 1953 and remained co-leaders of the band until Tommy's untimely death in 1956.

Jimmy died a year later, right after recording an old ballad called "So Rare" with something of a rock 'n' roll beat. It would be Jimmy Dorsey's last hit, a gold record, and the last big hit of the era.

Ironically, it was the Dorsey Brothers Orchestra that introduced Elvis Presley to the world, the summer

before the Ed Sullivan show. Elvis was the featured vocalist with the orchestra, which had a summer TV spot in 1956.

"The censors would only allow the cameras to show Elvis from the waist up - the way he was wiggling was not to be shown," Knorr laughed, adding, "No one thought that rock and roll would compete with the big bands, only that it would flow together. But the younger generation wanted more excitement and rock was it. Once the kids saw Elvis, the idiom changed. Rock and roll was more exciting and more relaxed - you did not see gals in gowns and guys in tuxedos."

The cost of the bands trav-

eling around in buses to different clubs also became a real struggle and eventually the big bands became white elephants, with clubs closing down and most of the bands going out of business by the late '50s. Both the Jimmy Dorsey Orchestra and the Tommy Dorsey Orchestra stayed in business, however, and Knorr and Tole have been as interconnected with the continued success of those big bands as Jimmy and Tommy were in creating the scene.

Knorr is not only the owner

of the Jimmy Dorsey Orchestra but also the Pied Pipers, the singing group that helped maintain the Tommy Dorsey Orchestra's fame. She closely maintains the traditions of the famous Helen O'Connell, with whom she worked for a short time during her later performance years.

And Tole, who has led the Jimmy Dorsey Orchestra for the past two years after Jim Miller stepped aside, fronts the band with precision.

Tole not only served as lead

trombonist for the Jimmy Dorsey orchestra, but also for the Tommy Dorsey orchestra, which he joined not long after Tommy's death and for which he was twice asked to lead. The vastly accomplished trombonist also played Tommy in the Liza Minelli and Robert DiNiro film "New York, New York," later releasing his own version of the music in 1977.

"From the very beginning, the bands and our involvement have been so interconnected," says Knorr.

THIS WEEK'S MOVIES

Minority Report

Action/Adventure, Thriller and Science Fiction/Fantasy
Rated PG-13 for violence, brief language, some sexuality and drug content.

Based on the short story by Philip K. Dick, Minority Report is set in a 2054 Washington, D.C. judicial system in which killers are arrested and convicted before they commit murder using a psychic technology. Tom Cruise is the head of this Precrime unit and is himself accused of the future murder of a man he hasn't even met.

PG-13 for violence, brief language, some sexuality and drug content.

Starring: Tom Cruise, Colin Farrell, Samantha Morton, Peter Stormare, Max Von Sydow
Directed by: Steven Spielberg
Produced by: Gerald R. Molen, Bonnie Curtis, Walter F. Parkes, Jan Bont

Written by: Jon Cohen, Scott Frank, John Cohen
Showtimes: Noon, 3 p.m., 6:30 p.m., 9:15 p.m.

The Bourne Identity

Thriller and Action/Adventure, 1 hr. 58 min.
Rated PG-13 for violence and some language.

Set against dramatic European backdrops, The Bourne Identity is the story of a man (Matt Damon), salvaged, near death, from the ocean by the crew of an Italian fishing boat. When he recuperates, the man suffers from total amnesia. He is completely without identity or background, but possesses a range of extraordinary talents in fighting, linguistic skills and self-defense that speak of a dangerous past. He sets out on a desperate search - assisted by the initially rebellious Marie (Franka Potente) to discover who he really is, and why he is being pursued by assassins.

Starring: Matt Damon, Franka Potente, Chris Cooper, Clive Owen, Brian Cox
Directed by: Doug Liman

Produced by: Doug Liman, Patrick Crowley, Richard N. Gladstein, Pat Crowley, Richard Gladstein
Written by: Tony Gilroy, William Blake Herron, W. Blake Herron, David Self
Showtimes: 11:30 a.m., 2 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 7 p.m., 9:30 p.m.



Matt Damon as Jason Bourne in Universal's The Bourne Identity.

Scoby Doo

Kids/Family and Comedy, 1 hr. 27 min.
Rated PG for some rude humor, language and some scary action.

Scoby Doo and the Mystery Inc. gang take their animated antics to the big screen as a live-action movie. In this story, Fred, Daphne, Velma and Shaggy have a bit of a falling out and go their separate ways, but they're drawn back together again by fate. In this case taking the form of the mysterious Spooky Island amusement park and the strange behavior being exhibited by the young visitors to the attraction. This is a case that only the Mystery Machine gang can tackle - if only they can get over their differences.

Starring: Sarah Michelle Gellar, Freddie Prinze Jr., Matthew Lillard, Linda Cardellini, Rowan Atkinson
Directed by: Raja Gosnell

Produced by: Charles Roven, Richard Suckale
Written by: James Gunn (II), Craig Titley, James Gunn, Andrew Gunn, John August
Distributor: Warner Brothers
Showtimes: 12:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m., 4:45 p.m., 6:45 p.m., 8:30 p.m.

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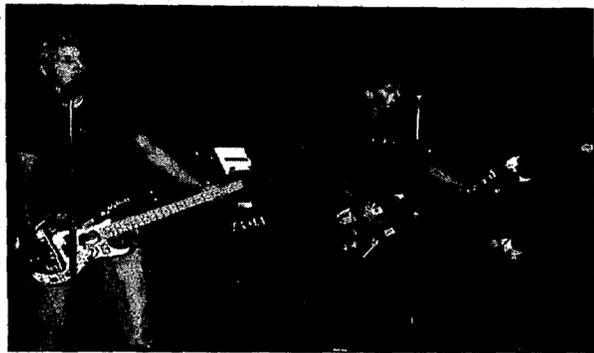
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ROCK 'N' ROLL



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Exit 101, from left to right, is Matthew Silva, Josh Patterson, Rustin Brewer and Andrew Silva. The band, from Capitan, is slated to headline the Capitan Stampede music festival July 4. A full story is on page 7C.

Occupational therapists can help rehabilitate by using arts, crafts

My curiosity led me to learn what occupational therapy is and how it relates to art. It is treatment through occupation. It is one of the health professions used to treat and rehabilitate the physically handicapped and the psychologically ill. It employs activity, upon medical prescription, to aid in recovery from disease or injury. The patient participates to improve his/her physical and emotional condition, thus reclaiming a useful place in society, despite any disability they may have.

also has special training in the health sciences and medicine. The OT's skills cover a broad scope of activity from splint-making to metal work to fine arts. Some of the crafts used by the OT to help the patient regain his/her health include ceramics, leather work, bookbinding, book repair, needlework, furniture repair, woodworking, painting, and weaving.



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

Medical treatment is not only in terms of nursing, surgery, and drugs. This is only part of the total treatment. Patients tend to deteriorate physically because of inactivity and psychologically through boredom, fear, and anxiety. The psychological, social, and physical needs of these

patients are the concern of the OT.

The therapist uses not only crafts, but group activities such as education, dramatics and special interest clubs, which encourage social participation. Occupational therapy teaches new skills and activities to encourage the patient's adjustment to the limits that have been imposed on him/her, and to enable them to live a richer life within their disability.

No matter what the disability, the OT stands ready to help patients help themselves. The use of art in the treatment should not be confined to painting. There is a world of creative endeavors to choose from.

Occupational therapy is administered by an occupational therapist (OT). To apply its techniques effectively, the OT

while in therapy that they continue to use as hobbies or as a profession. The OT's homemaking program includes such housekeeping activities as cooking, cleaning, laundry, marketing and baby care. Kinetic ther-

Apache lecture

Award-winning journalist and author Sherry Robinson will lecture on the Apaches of New Mexico at the Hubbard Museum of the American West in Ruidoso Downs at 6:30 p.m. Friday, June 28.

The Albuquerque author will share stories about the Warm Springs, Chiricahua and Mescalero Apache, women warriors, survival on the land and the Mescalero escape from Bosque Redondo and Masai.

Robinson has published several books. The second one, *Apache Voices*, explores the accounts of notable Ruidoso resident Eve Ball, who spent several years documenting the oral histories of Mescalero residents. Robinson will provide a fresh look at Ball's work and life and give additional information uncovered in her research.

Admission is free and refreshments will be provided after the lecture, which is made possible in part by a grant from New Mexico Arts, a division of the Office of Cultural Affairs and the National Endowment for the Humanities.

For more information, call the Hubbard Museum of the American West at 378-4142.

Blooming in June

A new arts and crafts fair, "Blooming in June," sponsored by First Presbyterian Church of Ruidoso, will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 29 at the First Presbyterian Church, at the corner of Sudderth and Sutton drives. For information, call 257-2220.

Greenhouse Cafe

Tom and Gail Histen, owners of the new Greenhouse (hydroponic) Gardens, have expanded their operation to include Hotel Chango in Capitan, across from City Hall, allowing former owner Jerrold Flores more time to pursue his ceramics art.

Tom Histen is a culinary graduate of LATC in Southern California and has had extensive restaurant experience in La Jolla, Aspen, Beverly Hills and Hillcrest. He is preparing the same style and quality of cuisine under the guidance of Flores, who established the restaurant with a four-star rating.

Now called the Greenhouse Cafe, the restaurant will serve dinner from 5-9 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday, and Sunday brunch from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Reservations are encouraged; call 354-6025.

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Whatever happened to Dick Lloyd and Billy Claiborne?

There are many famous, and infamous, stories, both legendary and factual, that have come down to us from the Old West. The Lincoln County War, the Johnson County War, the so-called "Gunfight at the OK Corral," the escapades of the James Gang and a plethora of others. The list goes on and on. Of course, we all know what happened to the main, which is to say, most well-known participants of these frontier events. The ultimate fates of men such as Wyatt Earp and Jesse James are well documented and known, to some extent, to the general public.

But what of the peripheral characters? Dick Lloyd, the third man in a group that was pursued by the Regulators in an incident during the Lincoln County War and who was, in fact, the only survivor among the three. What happened to him? William Claiborne had the good sense to exit the alley where the "Gunfight at the OK Corral" actually took place, and consequently survived. What happened to him? Claiborne and Lloyd are part of another list that goes on and on.

Dick Lloyd

Dick Lloyd, or "Dopey Dick," as I have come to think of him, was an employee of Jimmy Dolan's at the outbreak of the Lincoln County War. One of a pioneer family who originally settled along the Pecos River but sold out in 1872 and relocated to a farm on the Hondo near Casey's Mill at what is now Picacho, Dick was not the brightest of bulbs.

On March 6, 1878, mere weeks after the murder of John Tunstall, the Tunstall/McSween faction, calling themselves the "Regulators," came across a group of five men at a spot on the Penasco.

Since the murder of John Tunstall, his former employees and friends - the Regulators - had been searching for the young Englishman's killers. They held warrants for most of the men in the posse that had killed Tunstall. However, if the

truth were to be told, I believe they considered those warrants to be something more along the line of hunting licenses.

When the Regulators suddenly came into view, the five Murphy men instantaneously put the spurs to their horses and the Regulators, just as instantaneously, gave chase. The Murphy men split into two groups and the Regulators elected to pursue the larger group of three men, which consisted of Dick Lloyd, Frank Baker and Billy "Buck" Morton. As fate would have it, Morton and Baker were two of the actual triggermen in Tunstall's death.

Lloyd, Baker and Morton's horses were already fatigued when the Regulators had arrived, and after a chase of several miles, during which more than 100 shots were fired, Dick Lloyd's horse was the first to give out. But it wasn't Dick the Regulators were interested in; it was his two companions. Imagine his relief when the Regulators thundered past him, ignoring him. And imagine his further relief when he heard, a week or so later, that Morton and Baker, after being taken into "custody," were unceremoniously (or perhaps ceremoniously - no one really knows), gunned down at a place near modern Arabella.

The Regulators were not to be denied in their quest for vengeance, either. One of them, a man named William McCloskey (who was a former Murphy man and never entirely trusted by the other Regulators), attempted, apparently, to defend, either verbally or physically or both, the two prisoners. McCloskey was gunned down along with the two men he evidently attempted to defend. All three were left where they fell.

Sobering up?

Now, one would think that this obvious close call would have been a sobering experience for Dick Lloyd. On the contrary, it seemed to make him want to place himself in even more moronically haz-

ardous situations. Specifically, Dick's idea of a good time was to get tanked up on tonsil paint, ride into Lincoln - or whatever town or hamlet that had the bad luck to be graced with his presence - and "hurrah" the citizens. This meant, basically, that he would drunkenly ride up and down the street - and right into the occasional saloon - where he would discharge his pistol at anything that moved, and, for that matter, most things that didn't.

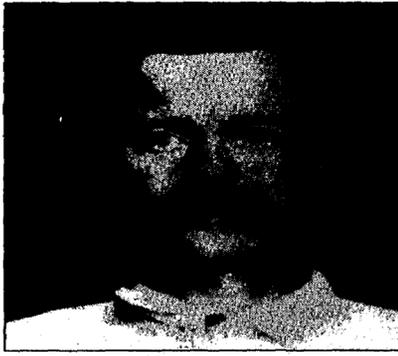
By 1881, Dick was residing in southeastern Arizona, in the Tombstone area. On March 8 of that year, in the small town of Maxey, Dick Lloyd began what was to be his final escapade. He began this episode by discharging his pistol in a manner that was less than safe, wounding a bartender named Ed Mann who had the bad luck to be the recipient of Dick's business - as well as his bullets. Drunk as Our Hero was, whether it was intentional or unintentional is not clear. Then, he mounted up - on someone else's horse, of course - for some more fun.

Spurring the animal on, Dick rode right into O'Neil and Franklin's Saloon and began, as was his custom, to discharge his weapon, willy-nilly, at, well, whatever.

Some of the locals were playing serious poker in the rear of the saloon and resented this intrusion deeply. Very deeply, as it turned out. Among these players were well-known gunmen Curly Bill Brocius and Johnny Ringo. But it wasn't just them. About a dozen men drew their weapons and blasted Dick out of the saddle - and off the planet. Saloon owner O'Neil took the rap, was tried and acquitted, with most everyone agreeing that it was best to have removed anyone as dumb as Dick from the Land of the Living.

Another Billy the Kid

Billy Claiborne was a small-time outlaw in the Tombstone, Ariz., area who preferred to be referred to as "Billy the Kid," after his idol, the real Billy,



"Buckskin" Frank Leslie was a bartender who meant business.

over here in Lincoln County. Unfortunately, this Billy didn't have quite the intelligence of our Billy.

Claiborne is known primarily as the man who, when he saw the Earp party enter the alley to confront he and his "Cowboy" (in Tombstone it was a term synonymous with "outlaw") cronies, had the good sense to divine what was about to happen and departed the alley at a speed rivaling Mach 2.

Of course, it could be argued that had Claiborne and Ike Clanton, the two who ran away, actually stuck around, the gunfight might have had a different outcome. But they didn't, and those who did stick around - Billy Clanton and the two McLauri brothers - paid with their lives.

In July of 1882, Johnny Ringo was found exceedingly dead, just off the road at a place called Turkey Canyon. The circumstances of his death were debated then, and still are today, without conclusive results. While it is probable that Ringo committed suicide, a number of people were suspected of having perpetrated the deed. Among them was a Tombstone character named Nashville Franklin "Buckskin Frank" Leslie, considered by many historians to be Tombstone's deadliest gunman.

According to Tombstone historian Ben Traywick, Frank was definitely it's biggest liar, with more "big windies" originating wherever Frank was tending bar than anywhere else in town.

(Frank's line of work was that most noble of all professions, bartender. So, next time you are in a saloon, it would be wise to tip the bartender - generously. Oh, did I happen to mention that I tend bar at the Billy the Kid Casino Monday thru Wednesday nights?)

For a time, Frank was actually empowered to make arrests - but only inside the premises of the Oriental Saloon, where he worked.

In addition to Billy the Kid, Billy Claiborne, admired Tombstone badman Johnny Ringo. Personally, although he was most definitely feared at the time, I have found very little to admire in John Ringo (which is not to say I admire people who strike fear into the hearts of others). Ringo's only victim of record was shot dead while he was drying his face with a towel during Texas' Mason County War. Not exactly a fair fight...

At any rate, Claiborne began brooding over the death of his hero and, as time went by, convinced himself that it was Buckskin Frank who had dispatched Ringo. Apparently, Billy did not take note of the fact that those he picked to be his heroes, namely Billy the Kid and Johnny Ringo, were dying off violently and at an alarming rate.

On Nov. 14, 1882, Claiborne was "making the rounds" of Tombstone's myriad saloons and, after drinking himself stupid, entered the Oriental, where Buckskin Frank was working his shift. At first, Claiborne's insults were roundabout, but as time went by, he made himself more and more offensively specific and, as is usually the case, the drunker he got, the braver he got.

(Note to any young men out there who like to pick fights when they have been drinking: Sooner or later, you will meet your own "Buckskin Frank.")

Finally, Leslie decided he had had enough and physically pitched the unarmed Claiborne into the street, instructing him to go home and sleep it off. It was good advice, but Billy was not about to take it. Instead of going home to sleep it off, Our Hero went and procured a rifle and then headed back to the Oriental.

Claiborne's final mistake

The Oriental Saloon was, and still is, located on the corner of Tombstone's Allen and Fifth streets. The main entrance is at the corner itself, diagonally facing both Allen and Fifth. On Fifth, there are two side entrances.

Claiborne, full of Dutch Courage, stood facing the main entrance of the saloon and began bellowing for Leslie to come out into the street and face him, now that he, Billy, had his rifle and all...

Leslie was nobody's fool - at least that day. He was not about to march out the front door of the place into the muzzle of a rifle in the hands of a drunk. Therefore, still in his bartender's apron, and with a cigarette dangling from the corner of his mouth, Buckskin Frank picked up his Colt Single Action Army Model and headed for one of the side doors.

Stepping through that door out onto Fifth Street, Leslie could see Claiborne, still focused on the main entrance, standing in the street. Leveling his pistol, Leslie called out "Come on, Billy, I don't want to kill you."

Claiborne instantly whirled and fired. Leslie's pistol roared at almost the same moment. Claiborne's rifle bullet whistled past Leslie, but Billy was not so lucky. Buckskin Frank's bullet slammed into his side, inflicting a fatal wound.

When the law showed up, Leslie stated that he "could have done more, but could not have done less." In a time when one had to keep puffing on a cigarette to keep it going, Frank had not lost the light on his smoke.

And so, after escaping one of the most famous and deadly confrontations in the Old West, Billy Claiborne ended up as a permanent resident of Tombstone's Boot Hill anyway.

Next week: Bob Ford, the assassin of Jesse James, and some members of the "Wild Bunch."

Sources: Documentary History of the Lincoln County War by Frederick Nolan; Files of the Tombstone Epitaph and The Chronicles of Tombstone by Ben Traywick.



Drew Gamber, Historian, The Hubbard Museum of the American West

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by Dr. Jack V. Waters, Chiropractic Physician

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Capitan Fourth of July full of music and arts



The Usual Suspects will perform at the Capitan Music Festival July 4 on the Capitan school grounds. Bob Barhagel is shown at left, and Pat McCarthy, right, lined up the musicians for the music festival.

BY SANDY SUGGITT
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

People are gearing up for four days of fun around the Fourth of July in Capitan — a holiday filled with the Capitan Music Festival, rodeos, a parade, chuckwagon barbecues, dances, museums, carriage rides, the Smokey Bear Stampede, youth calf scrambles and a trade fair.

Leading up to the holiday, on Wednesday, July 3, the Wildland and Firefighter Museum will offer historic carriage rides from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. for \$5, and Laurie's Grill & Game Room will have classic country music from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

City Bank's 22nd Annual 10K and two-mile Smokey Bear Fun Run starts on July 4 at 8 a.m. (registration at 7 a.m.), \$10 entry. Capitan Public Library will have a Bake & Book Sale from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., and the Third Annual Smokey Bear Art & Music Fest will be from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Friends of Smokey Visitor Center next to the Shell station.

The 47th Annual Smokey Bear Parade starts at 10 a.m., followed by the Classic & Antique Car Show at the Shell Station at 11 a.m. At the Lincoln County Fairgrounds, youth-timed rodeo events begin at 12:30 p.m., followed by the 47th Annual Smokey Bear stampede and Smokey Bear Calf Scramble at 7 p.m., with the crowning of the rodeo queen after grand entry and a dance to North of the Border from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., for \$5.

Other rodeo events in the fairgrounds will be July 5 and 6, with the Smokey Bear Fair at the Capitan High School Gym — to be covered in more detail next week.

The Capitan Music Festival

Resounding through the village from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. will be the Sixth Annual Capitan Music Festival & Celebration of the Arts from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and with the hot young

band Exit 101 headlining. The music festival will be at the Capitan Municipal Schools courtyard or quadrangle this year on a stage donated by the National Guard. Last year, it was held at the Territorial Theater, but moved to this new location because of the crowds, said Virginia Jones, one of the organizers of the music festival.

Admission is free, parking will be easy since the school has a new parking lot, and the audience will be comfortable in the lovely new school courtyard. Jones said there will be a covered area for the audience for the expected arrival of monsoons.

"We began as an effort to provide entertainment for people who come for the parade and rodeo," Jones said. "We wanted to offer a variety, and since the local community has so many musicians, we felt it would be an occasion to provide a musical event in addition to the parade and rodeo events."

Now in its sixth year, the music festival has become a community event. Musicians donate their time and others get up to perform spontaneously — or to dance.

Headlining this year's music festival is the young Capitan band Exit 101. All four band members are freshmen at Capitan High School and have been practicing together since sixth grade. Most of them took band and guitar with high school guitar teacher Wayne Ellison and band director DuWayne Shaver — both of whom also worked to make this year's music festival a success.

Exit 101 is pop punk and the band writes its own music.

"We get together and write down all our thoughts," said Rustin Brewer. "About girls, breakups, how girls are mean to us —"

"— Being judged by the way we dress," interjected Matthew Silva, "family —"

"— Problems we have; life in general," added Brewer.

A schedule of performers will be published next week in *Vamonos*. A drawing for an

automobile courtesy of Sierra Blanca Motors will be held at 7 p.m. at the music festival. Tickets for \$3 each or five for \$10 may be purchased before or during the festival by calling 354-2316. Proceeds benefit the Capitan Municipal Schools.

Celebration of the Arts

Carrizozo colorist Jim Mack and Capitan's Jim Wall will exhibit their paintings, along with other artists and crafts people. Booth fees are \$50 and there's still space for more, Jones said. Call her at 354-2316.

The brochure for the Capitan Music Festival was designed by Capitan High School students Sonia Younis and Michael Morris.

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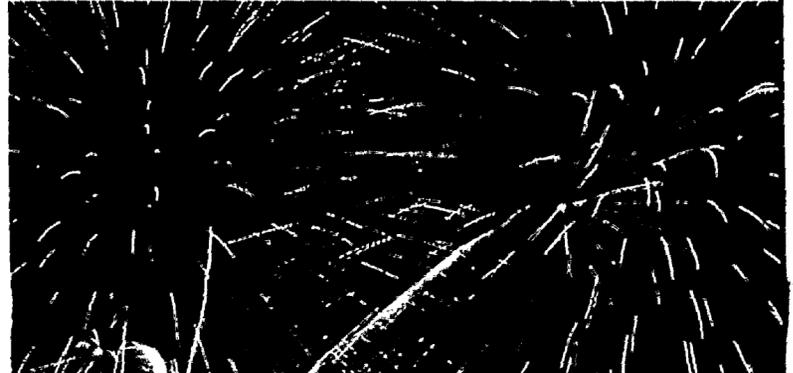
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Music lovers at the annual Mountain of Blues Festival, held Saturday, get their groove on to one of the many bands that played.



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HOME & FAMILY

The Lincoln County Humane Society invites old and new friends to a June 30

EYE-OPENING OPEN HOUSE

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

With a revitalized dedication, board members of the Humane Society of Lincoln County — several new to the organization — are staging a Spring-A-Pet open house June 30 at the shelter on Gavilan Canyon Road.

They're hoping that people who have never seen the society's shelter, as well as long-time supporters will stop by from noon to 4 p.m. While the facility is clean and as cheery as staff can manage, visitors also will see the need either for major renovation or a new building, said executive director Sandy Ford.

Large sections of the shelter floor have chipped away, block dividers between outdoor runs are wobbly, better ventilation is needed and some cages are rusty, kept together in places by makeshift wiring.

But the major problem is overcrowding. Ford and society president Wanda Muhlik hope that a few of the temporary guests at the shelter will go home with new owners that day. June is Adopt-A-Cat Month. They also hope that visitors will learn more about a new kennel unit that would enable the shelter to hold more dogs awaiting adoptive homes.

"We're at maximum nearly all of the time," Ford said. "That's not the case with kittens and puppies this year, however. We haven't seen the usual rush of litters being dropped off. We hope that's because people are spaying their pets, and because of our strong push and subsidy program for spaying and neutering. I would know better if I was the animal control officer."

Despite the limitations and building needs, society members and staff are proud of the job they've done at the building, which was a structure next to the shelter and the fenced dog exercise area. Pet supplies, such as collars, bowls, leashes and sweaters are sold in the main office. Shelter operations manager Jim Riggins built a porch addition to the cat room filled with platforms and objects to keep a restless feline busy. Riggins' and Ford's handiwork can be seen throughout the shelter in benches, painted designs and their personal touches to create a more homey feeling.

Although small, a surgery unit was started to allow on-site spay and neuter procedures and other minor surgical work with the help of contract veterinarian Robert Owens, assisted by Riggins. The quarantine room is being remodeled to accommodate 16 cages. The shelter is the only such facility in the county.

"The board decided to do an open house because we haven't had one in so long and there have been so many changes," Ford said. "We want people to come, to get to know us... We'd like to make new friends."

Neal Jones, disc jockey with KIDX Radio, will do a live remote broadcast

during the event and several door prizes will be awarded, including greens fees and a cart at a local golf course.

"We'll also take donations of money or dog and cat food and will sign up members," Ford said. "Each dog adopted to a good home that day will take a leash and collar with them. Cats will take home a set of bowls. For an extra treat with a \$1 donation, Cosmo the kissing puppy will plant a big slurp on someone's cheek."

The shelter can house up to 35 cats and 45 dogs, she said.

"When any animal is brought into the shelter, it heads straight to the holding room until it is spayed or neutered, vaccinated and legally has become our property," she said. "Then the animal is moved up for the public to see."

Although the shelter's adoption rate is higher than the national average (animals returned to their owners equal adoptions), having to euthanize even one animal who isn't sick or injured or a threat, doesn't sit well with Ford. The society's ultimate aim is to control the pet population through spay and neuter to prevent unwanted litters, she said.

A preliminary report, which Ford thinks significantly under estimated, showed that 75,000 shelter animals a year are euthanized in New Mexico and that \$14.7 million in tax dollars is spent on animal services.

"If people properly cared for their pets, the numbers would drop," she said. "Taxpayers don't realize they're paying

for the negligence of others and they have a stake in seeing that people abide by community laws. We all have a stake in ensuring proper care — keeping pets confined or on leashes, spaying and neutering, and vaccinating — whether it is financial, emotional or ethical."

In Albuquerque, city fathers have decided the money is best spent preventing litters and has begun to fund that activity — county officials there may be joining that program, Ford said.

The \$50 adoption fee for any animal at the Lincoln County shelter covers basic immunizations and neutering.

"That's lower than Las Cruces, which is \$100, or Santa Fe, which is \$60, or Albuquerque at \$90," Ford said. An added bonus for dogs adopted from the shelter is an offer from Susan Carter for three to four free training sessions.

The society board is gearing up for a major fund raising effort next year for a new building — a donation of land in an appropriate location would be welcomed — or as an alternative, a major renovation, Ford said.

"If we renovate, we will redo the concrete floors that are breaking apart," she said. "Now they house disease because the water seeps in and we can't keep them dry. The block work also was inferior. We need new cages like the ones going into quarantine. We could double what we hold now, but they cost us \$6,500 for six units."



Sandra Ford, executive director of the Humane Society of Lincoln County, kneeling beside one of the sections of eroded shelter floor, hopes people attending the open house June 30 will see the need for major renovation or a new facility.

The office also would be expanded, as would the cat room and caging. "Until then, we'll take donations of big bandages to hold this building together," she said.

Currently, the group is trying to raise money for a small addition to expand the adoptable area and provide more outside space.

"We need \$7,000 to complete it," she said. "It could house dogs in the nice (weather) months."

If efforts are successful next year and a new building is constructed, Ford would like to house twice as many animals with twice as much room, with new caging, air exchangers and proper plumbing. The estimated cost of the building alone is \$500,000.

"We'd have an education room where we could show films and give presentations to school classes and hold meetings," Ford said. "It would be more people oriented with dog exercise pens and walking trails and a full surgery."

"I would love to offer low-cost spay and neuter and vaccination clinics at our own facility," she said.

Not that area veterinarians haven't done their share of caring for shelter animals, participating in low-cost vaccination clinics and special spaying programs.

"They've been terrific and cooperative," Ford said.

Until that new building is a reality, Ford, Riggins, full-time kennel hand Terri Stevens and two part-time employees run the operation.

"This is the eighth year for Jim and me," Ford said.

Originally from California, where she was a graphic artist, Ford moved to Las Cruces, where she trained at the shelter there in 1992-93.

"I really loved it," she said, but was looking for an escape from the heat. She moved to Ruidoso in 1994.

DIANNE STALLINGS/STAFF



Brownie, a striking mix with compelling eyes, is one of the temporary guests at the shelter.

looking back

LINCOLN COUNTY SCRAPBOOK

JUNE 20, 1952

Nearly 3,000 at Lincoln

Nearly 3,000 persons attended the annual Old Timers' Day in Lincoln last Sunday, which started off with a good, cooling rain, and wound up with reminiscing, phototaking and candidate handshaking. Three state candidates, Gov. Edwin L. Mechem, Pat Hurley and Ed Guthman, Republicans, were on hand and made brief remarks.

JUNE 22, 1962

Sun Princess candidate

Miss Rosemary Badillo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Badillo of Ruidoso, has been selected to represent Ruidoso at the Sun Carnival in El Paso at the end of this year, and also Aspenade Queen to reign over the annual Aspenade festivities held here annually in the beginning of October when tours into the mountains to view the aspens are arranged and chuck wagon suppers and other festivities are held.

Miss Badillo is a senior at Ruidoso High School and was chosen by the Ruidoso-Hondo Valley Chamber of Commerce.

JUNE 23, 1972

Woman hits 'Big Q'

"I don't care anything about form, I just pick the horses I like."

This was how Gladys Thomson of Ruidoso explained her good fortune in Saturday's racing program at Ruidoso Downs.

She wound up as the lone winner in the Big Q, and collected the entire pool of \$12,199.80...

She is the owner of Thomson's Bookkeeping Service of Ruidoso.

JUNE 24, 1982

Assessing the Downs?

Ruidoso Downs may be able to adopt an ordinance permitting the village to assess a user charge for services offered to Ruidoso Downs Race Track, according to Mayor J. C. Day. He and trustees Harold Mansell and Jake Harris met Tuesday with the secretary of the Taxation and Revenue Bureau in Santa Fe to discuss possible sources of revenue for the village.

JUNE 25, 1992

Collecting for a computer

Nob Hill School in Ruidoso has collected enough receipts in the Furr's Apples for Students Program to receive a free Apple IIGS computer, a Magnavox VCR and a 27-inch television set valued at more than \$2,590.

Furr's has offered (the program) since January of 1990.

Summer is the busy season in old Lincoln town, and county too



LINCOLN TRAILS
ROSALIE DUNLAP

Lincoln was a busy place last Saturday. There was a good turnout for the Lincoln County Historical Society program by Bill Thorpe.

Everyone enjoyed the historical gun presentation, and asked many questions.

The Carrizozo Masonic Lodge held its annual meeting at the Lincoln Court House Wednesday evening and had a great turnout. On Saturday, they sponsored the Lincoln Masonic Foundation picnic at the Lincoln Park. I missed both events.

Other activities in Lincoln County were the Janice Herd roping, the blues concert at the airport, and the "Walk a Mile" for cancer research.

I was away for three days, so missed a lot of activities. It rained again while I was gone. Maybe I should stay away for a few days more often.

Linda Hart and daughter Kendra were weekend visitors of mine, while Beth was involved with gymnastics in Ruidoso.

Jon Amastae was working on the Old Maes property over the weekend.

San Juan's church was full of visitors Sunday — the Episcopal Vestry members and families. The Rev. John Penn had the services. After the coffee hour, fathers were being taken out to dinner at various restaurants in the area. (We will celebrate Father's Day for husband Ralph when he returns from Uzbekistan next Monday.)

Cheri Hobbs attended a postmasters

meeting in Roswell last week. She is enjoying her new grandson, Trevor Lynn Stokes. Her parents are Betty Hobbs-Stokes and Trevor Stokes.

There was a terrific windstorm in Arabela.

It has been hot everywhere this past week. Everyone has to be so careful about fires due to the drought, heat, and low humidity.

It is so sad about the person responsible for the Denver fire. I have family members there, but so far they are okay.