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## Receipt tax close to record

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

After months of worrying that the village's monthly gross receipt taxes were spiraling downward in reflection of a national trend showing fewer people are traveling, Ruidoso officials received some good news Tuesday.

Acting village manager Lorri McKnight reported that she received the check from the state for the village's gross receipt taxes collected in June.

"It was very good," she said. "It was \$791,499. Compared to the last four years, it was the highest June we've had. It's not a record, but it's close to the most we've ever received in one month. That was in July 2001, when the check was \$806,000."

For the first two months of Fiscal Year 2002-2003, representing May and June of the previous fiscal year, the total hit \$1.3 million compared to \$1.2 million last year, she said.

"We're up \$113,000, so keep your fingers crossed and hope the trend continues," McKnight told village councilors. "We should have the check for July by the end of this week. We're catching up with the lodgers tax — go figure."

For several months, councilors debated why lodgers tax collected was significantly exceeding expectations while GRT lagged behind. Some theorized that while more people were visiting, they were spending less money in town. But the owner of one lodge offered another opinion. The cost of the average room went up with the addition of choices such as the Hawthorn Suites, he said.

### IN REMEMBRANCE



Carrizozo students hold some of the 40-plus American flags that flew during an hour at Carrizozo Schools dedicated to the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attack victims

PHOTO BY JULIE CARTER

## Village rejects airline grant

Councilors doubt service will improve

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
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Turning down a half million dollar grant to subsidize air service may sound strange, but the move seemed logical to Ruidoso village councilors Tuesday based on past experience.

"If we're going to get air service, this is the mechanism by which we can do it," said Tim Morris, who manages the village airport on Sierra Blanca Airport Road.

But Councilor Bob Sterchi said the route between Ruidoso and Albuquerque proved an "abysmal failure" last year. He asked Morris for some information that might change an earlier decision by the board not to accept the grant.

Last year, the village ended up paying \$150,000 and the village of Taos only \$25,000 of a subsidy for Rio Grande Air, yet the other tourist destination reaped most of the benefits of the route, councilors said. This year, the federal Aviation Administration and Department of Transportation is offering \$500,000 if the state puts up \$200,000 and each of the two villages pumps in \$100,000.

During an earlier meeting with officials from all the agencies, Councilor Deborah Marcum-Byars suggested because Taos was the major beneficiary, it should pick up more of the 2002-2003 grant match.

Morris said if Ruidoso backs out, the money probably will be reallocated to another of the 179 competing communities, probably outside of New Mexico. He said transportation department officials indicated they would look at a route including El Paso in the future, which would feed into Ruidoso better because of the heavy tourist business from Texas, but any deviation now would nullify the grant.

Since the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11, 2002, air travel dropped, creating an even

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## Committee narrows choices for village manager

Eggleston, two village councilors are looking to fill the spot left vacant by Alan Briley in August

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

By the end of a meeting Monday, a three-person selection committee narrowed 63 applications for the post of Ruidoso village manager to a field of 12 serious contenders.

Mayor Leon Eggleston said he and Councilors Ron Hardeman and Ron

Anderson each received copies of the applications after the deadline Friday and independently ranked them based on a series of objective criteria they devised using suggestions from the full council.

"Not all of our top 12 were the same, but each of our top 12 were in the top 15, so the scoring was very consistent," he said Wednesday.

Eggleston will contact each of the

dozen to ensure they still are interested and that inquiries can be started without jeopardizing their current jobs. He then will ask other councilors to help check credentials. By the week of Sept. 23, he wants to start personal interviews with a smaller group of finalists and the full council.

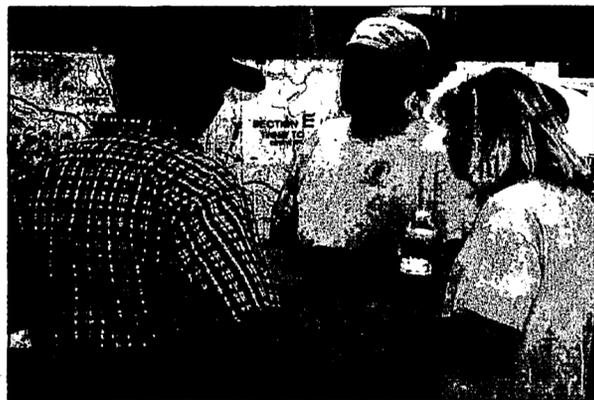
"By the end of the month, I hope for a final decision," the mayor said. "I was thrilled with the number and quality of

the applicants we received. Some had good credentials but no experience in this field. Some we know, but the majority we don't.

"We worked hard to come up with a fair and consistent grading system."

Former manager Alan Briley was paid an annual salary of \$72,000, but left in early August for a similar position in a Colorado town for \$90,000.

## Open house gives residents a preview of U.S. 70 construction



COURTESY KITTY BARKLEY

Lincoln County residents had a chance to preview the impact and look of U.S. 70 once four-lane work is completed

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The impact of the U.S. 70 construction on individual property owners along a 38-mile stretch east of Ruidoso Downs was one of the focuses of the first reception since a design/build contract to four-lane the route was awarded.

Put together by the New Mexico Highway and Transportation Department and Sierra Blanca Constructors, the team handling the project, the meeting drew about 100 residents who bounced questions off state and team officials.

Mary Ann Wootton, project liaison, said residents were given a chance to view "in progress" plans and proposals for left turn lanes, community enhancements, aesthetic treatments, the handling of irrigation ditches, and traffic control. Information on environmental mitigation and historical and cultural resources also was presented.

Other points of interest for those attending

were:

- Changes in access roads
- Impacts on local and through traffic
- The design of retaining walls
- Measures to control speed on the highway

The design of retaining walls allows for a choice of both patterns and colors, Wootton said. Application of Hondo Valley earth-tone colors and rock patterns for the retaining walls will make walls blend in with the surrounding environment.

Four sample wall patterns were presented as possible options for retaining wall structures. The patterns included a leadstone (layered rock), small flagstone, large flagstone, and stucco. Four color palettes were also proposed as options, Wootton said.

The public was encouraged to rate to the proposed patterns and colors and to provide additional suggestions. Participants expressed a preference for the flagstone and leadstone pat-

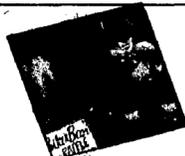
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### Local construction dips just a little

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It's almost time for the rolling thunder to return

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# DO NOT TAKE YOUR MODEL PAYMENT

# Mid-town merchants remember

Several Ruidoso shopkeepers showed their patriotism Wednesday as part of a larger campaign.

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

To Alice Payne of Noisy Water Artwear, the issue was one of patriotism and honoring innocent civilians killed in the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

She wanted to rally merchants in downtown Ruidoso

and encourage them to participate in a movement pledging allegiance to the American flag that started at noon on the one-year anniversary on the East Coast and continued through every time zone hour by hour.

With the help of Noisy Water Artwear owner Rick Riddle, iron-on flag appliques were purchased to be given free to those who didn't already have flag pins or other clothing decorated with the emblem for the anniversary celebration.

On Tuesday, Payne started going door-to-door up and down Sudderth Drive in the traditional mid-town area to solicit support for the noon event Wednesday. Those businesses she found closed, she revisited Wednesday morning.

"I handed out at least 150 flags," she said. "I gave one for every owner and their employees."

The Ruidoso Police Department closed that section of the street and a fire department engine was driven from the intersection of

Mechem Drive down Sudderth to the Rio Street fire station.

"It went beautifully," Payne said later that day. "We had some people visiting from out of town and they were very impressed with the dead silence from the time the fire truck came through town. We all said the pledge."

Payne, who joined Noisy Water a few months ago after retiring from teaching, said she still has a few of the appliques available for \$1 each in the store at 2342 Sudderth Drive.



Alice Payne, right front, hugs Margi Chino as they are joined by the other staff of Noisy Water Artwear and owner Rick Riddle for a noon pledge of allegiance to the flag Wednesday.



PHOTO BY LIONEL W. LIPPMANN

Capitan fifth-grader Miranda Zamora spoke to classmates and residents at a ceremony Wednesday.

# Capitan youth speaks on 9-11

BY LIONEL W. LIPPMANN  
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

The effect of the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks was never more apparent than in a speech written and read by Capitan fifth grade student Miranda Zamora Wednesday.

In front of the student body, fire fighters, police officers, school officials, Veterans of Foreign Wars and members of the public, Zamora said that the events that occurred one year ago were not an abstraction, even for children who have never been to either place and who live far from them, in a rural community in New Mexico.

"Commitment, teamwork, goal-setting, generosity, kind-heartedness, strength, never-quit spirit: These are the qualities

of my America," she said.

"When America was brand new our founding fathers and mothers knew that they would have to fight to keep their society free. They were committed to that dream so they worked together to accomplish it, not only for their children but for all the generations to come.

"We protect ourselves from countries and groups that want to hurt us. We also ... protect others who cannot protect themselves.

"There have been many hard times in America's history. Some have even touched our lives recently, but it is our positive qualities that help us. We don't just get through hard times, we use them to make us a better nation... These are the qualities that make me proud to live in America."

# Lawsuit postpones start of U.S. 70 construction

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Groundbreaking on a 38-mile widening project along U.S. 70 east of Ruidoso Downs was postponed Wednesday pending a decision of the U.S. District Court in Washington, D.C., on a lawsuit filed by the Valley Community Preservation Commission.

Luis Jimenez, president of the commission, Gerald Ford of Dallas, Texas, Royce Griggs and Troy Omness of Picacho, filed for a temporary restraining order and motion for preliminary injunction on Sept. 4 to halt construction on the two-lane road east to Riverside.

The commission contended the project will cause irreparable injury to natural and historic resources threatened by construction activities.

"The department has dedicated an unprecedented \$35 million to avoid impacts to the natural and historic resources in the Hondo Valley," said state Transportation Secretary Peter Rahn.

Sierra Blanca Constructors, a team of companies selected to design and construct the widening of the scenic highway to a four-lane route, was scheduled to break ground on the project Sept. 16.

The deadly stretch of road saw four people die in accidents

from Labor Day weekend through late Tuesday.

"I am hopeful that the courts will come to a swift decision," Rahn said. "There have been 26 fatalities on the 38-mile stretch of road since 1998 — five since February of this year."

"The sooner we can proceed with this project, the better. I don't know how many more people have to die before this road is fixed."

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# Carrizozo set to seek solid waste removal bids

BY JULIE CARTER  
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Tuesday night City Hall in Carrizozo filled with interested citizens for a public hearing on the discussion of solid waste disposal alternatives.

City attorney David Stevens was on hand to field the questions and concerns of those 40-plus people present. There was no obvious representation from LCSWA at the meeting.

Mayor Manny Hernandez stated the council's intention to go for bids with the purpose of giving the city baseline data for comparison for rates and service.

"We are looking for cheaper rates

and better service," he said. "We have two or three other companies who do the same thing that are interested and we'll go from there."

Audience member Barbara Culler asked Stevens the question that seemed to be on most people's minds: "What is involved with us dropping out of the LCSWA and what is the cost to the town?"

"If the town decides it wants to pursue an alternative solid waste collection provider, it will cost the town nothing except for the advertisements for the paper," explained Stevens. "If the town decides it wants to accept a proposal from a provider other than LCSWA, then we would likely want to withdraw as a member of the LCSWA, to the

extent of solid waste collection services. That decision has not been made, of course, and what we are doing at this point is looking at alternatives."

Stevens said withdrawing from the LCSWA would not cost much, but would require a joint resolution from other member entities. That was done when Ruidoso withdrew from the group.

When asked for a list of customer complaints, Hernandez said they were mostly verbal. Stevens said there were other issues regarding the LCSWA which he wasn't willing to discuss.

Former Mayor Harold Garcia suggested that whoever the city used for solid waste disposal, they should be

set in place with hard and fast rules and regulations. He explained that the customers need to know exactly what was expected on both sides and what services they were paying to be delivered.

Stevens and the council explained that going for bids does not mean they are definitely proceeding in withdrawal from LCSWA. He explained the main reason at this point is to have data to compare the current prices and service being provided by LCSWA.

Hernandez explained that the citizens will be made aware of the findings of the bids and any steps the city would take after that. Stevens said the council has an obligation to make sure the citizens' money is

being spent properly and an obligation to ensure that LCSWA is complying with policies and procedures.

"To this date, we cannot sit here and tell you assuredly that your dollars are being spent properly and that LCSWA is following their policy and procedures," Stevens said.

Trustee Eileen Lovelace said, "I have a lot of questions that haven't been answered, and until we have all the answers I'm not going to decide one way or the other whether we stay with LCSWA or go with another company."

Later, in the general business portion of the regular council meeting, it was moved, seconded and voted unanimously by the board to pursue bids for solid waste disposal.

# HIGHWAY: Residents express concerns, preferred options for U.S. 70

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terms, she said. Stucco was the least preferred. Earth tones were the most preferred colors for the treatment of the retaining walls.

The public will have additional opportunities to comment on the color of the retaining walls at the Sept. 19 U.S. 70 Lincoln County Task Force meeting and subsequent sessions.

The transportation department budgeted \$750,000 for community enhancements within the Hondo Valley as part of the U.S. 70 Design/Build Project, Wootton said.

During the environmental review process, the agency committed to

ongoing community involvement in the identification and development of community enhancements. Some of the potential community enhancements mentioned were:

- Automated radar detection, speed display and flashing lights to slow traffic entering the communities of Glencoe, San Patricio, Hondo, Tinnie, and Picacho.

- Educational programs in collaboration with local schools that provide students exposure to potential career opportunities associated with highway engineering and construction, and natural and cultural resource management.

- Assisting the Hondo Valley School in the design and construction of an alternate access route for use by school buses and for emergency evacuation.

- Scenic By-Way pullouts with interpretive kiosks.

- Community gateway signs and/or monuments with enhanced landscape treatments for the communities of Glencoe, San Patricio, Hondo, Tinnie, and Picacho.

- Additional parking for roadside businesses.

- Additional law enforcement within the corridor during construction of the highway to four lanes and a con-

tinued additional law enforcement presence beyond the 28-month construction period.

Those attending the open house rated community gateway signs and/or monuments for Glencoe, San Patricio, Hondo, Tinnie and Picacho as the most preferred enhancement, Wootton said. A strong preference also was expressed for traffic measures such as automated radar detection, speed display and flashing lights to slow traffic. Additional law enforcement continuing after the project is also ranked high.

The SBC Team will be providing additional information on community

enhancements at future U.S. 70 Lincoln County Task Force meetings and open houses, Wootton said, adding that the identification and development of community enhancements is an ongoing effort and community input is encouraged.

The Hondo Valley School's Junior Class Fundraiser for a trip to Hawaii and the school auction were conducted in tandem with the open house. The next meeting of the U.S. 70 Task Force is set for 7 p.m., Sept. 19, at the Hondo Valley schools. The project hotline is 1-866-653-4069 and the Web site can be found at [www.us70hondovalley.com](http://www.us70hondovalley.com)

# AIRLINE: Councilors cite poor previous service

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tougher environment for Ruidoso to find air service, Morris said.

The new proposed contract offers the village some protection from a carrier not providing reliable service, he said. The contract would be for a 10-year period, but Morris said he would like to see an airline \$800 for each leg of a route that is not served. It also requires a percentage of the money be spent for advertising and other types of marketing, something lacking previously, he said.

"We get 25 to 30 calls a day from people wanting to know who services this area," Morris said.

But Anderson said Taos finances its portion of the grant with other partners.

"Taos has partners, we don't," he said. "Ruidoso Downs and the Mescalero Apache receive huge receipts from tourists and don't participate in any way."

Morris asked if he or the council should approach those entities to ask them to kick in a portion of the grant, but Mayor Leon Eggleston said that should be the responsibility of the airline operators if they want the subsidy.

Morris said he understood the council's dilemma, but realistically, no airline can provide local service without a subsidy. If the airport could reach a predesignated number of passengers, the FAA would automatically start allocating money annually, he said, adding that he's looking at the long term.

"The money doesn't help if it doesn't bring in people," Byars said. "We have better places to use the \$100,000."

In her opinion, the plane designated to serve Ruidoso was used to promote a route through Alamogordo, Byars said.

"Many small resorts are 45 minutes away from the nearest airport," she said. "We might look at a shuttle from Alamogordo to Ruidoso during the peak service period and start promoting Alamogordo as the fly-in point."

Morris said he will continue trying to draw events, such as a Navy training program, to the Ruidoso airport to generate revenue in other ways. That also should produce lodgers and gross receipts tax

money for the village and benefit local businesses, he said.

Despite Morris's input, councilors stuck with "no action" on the grant.

"I just wasn't impressed with the number of people using the air service," Byars said. "The definition of insanity is to keep doing the same thing and expect different results."

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### OUR OPINION

## Mother Nature will win in the end

Water remains the key to Ruidoso's future

Water — and the lack of it — is impacting almost everything in Ruidoso and the West this year, even if rain happens to have fallen on our rooftops this week.

Cities fed by the Rio Grande are challenging the federal government, insisting that in fact drinking water for people is more important than preserving the tiny Silvery Minnow.

Ruidoso's water system operators struggled all summer long, creating hydraulic engineering magic to get enough water stored during the week to handle the influx of water-consuming people on the weekends. It is a tribute to water planner Larry Grasmick and his crew that nobody took

sand showers this summer.

But that could change in the future, as the population continues to grow. Water engineer Bill Midkiff has determined that just a 3 percent annual growth in use could dry up Ruidoso's water in a few short years. Last year, there was a 10 percent increase. He also fears that "mining" water at great depth could be disastrous; that ancient San Andreas formation water might not be replenished.

No wonder, then, that the village is looking at ways to curtail development by changing zoning rules.

Midkiff says find more water, cut demand or cut consumption. Regardless, the price will be going up.

## Security isn't the nation's end-all

When the Sept. 11 anniversary came along Wednesday just before 8 a.m., I found myself focusing not on the overwhelming sadness reflected in mass mourning in front of television cameras, but on the seemingly endless names of the dead.

MOUNTAIN ASIDES  
KEITH GREEN

Almost every broadcast and cable network turned off the commercials and devoted hours Wednesday as a tribute to those victims of mindless hatred on 9-11-01.

But it occurred to me that the greatest tribute was not in the speeches of government and military leaders or the music or the jets flying overhead, but the names of people read aloud at Ground Zero, the names and homes and occupations of people streaming across the bottom of the television screen, the names of men and women who died in innocence or in desperate efforts to rescue themselves and others.

Names of individuals — of people young and old, in all their variety and fallibility, their lives ended too soon at the hands of brain-washed men who gave up their individuality by doing the bidding of a megalomaniacal oligarch who somehow has been able to convince himself and others that death is better than life.

Maybe it is; it's too soon for me to know. Life is what I know, and even further I know with bed rock certainty that the Supreme Being, by whatever

name we choose to call him (or her) did not put reasoning, sentient beings on this earth to kill each other — not in the ancient past, the Middle Ages or the 21st Century — and absolutely not with the reward of being offered 70 virgins in at the gates of Heaven.

The genius of the system agonizingly created on this continent over the centuries was not spelled out in the Declaration of Independence or in the Constitution. These documents and what they epitomize support the key document — the first 10 amendments to the Constitution that we know as the Bill of Rights. Those amendments have propped up our nation for more than 200 years now, and they continue to be the great bulwark protecting what is so rare in the rest of the world — the individual rights of the American people.

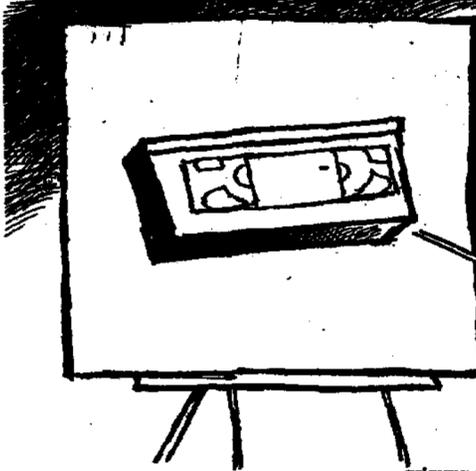
Not the rights of the government or the military or airline pilots or even the Office of Homeland Security.

If there is a cautionary tale to come out of the year just past for all of us, it is that there is something more precious than security: The guarantees embodied in the Bill of Rights — freedom of religion, of speech, of the press, freedom to petition the government for a redress of grievances... That is the gist of the well-known First Amendment.

But to me the less-well-known Tenth Amendment is the crowning glory of that document:

"The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the states, are reserved to the states respectively, or to the people."

## ANOTHER REASON TO BOMB HUSSEIN



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### YOUR OPINION

## Big doesn't equate to bad, in business or politics

To the editor:

This is in reply to Mr. Bob Johnson's letter of Aug. 30. I do not know Mr. Johnson of Capitan, nor do I know the Mabel he keeps referring to. But I do know that he espouses the age old false assumption that big is bad for no other reason than something, or someone, is big.

He ignores the effort it takes to become a leader in any field of endeavor, probably because he has never exerted such effort. He ignores the benefits that befall anyone connected to such effort, most especially the "folks" he so admires that would be helpless without the innovators' and entrepreneurs' on whose efforts and success the "folks" livelihoods and lives utterly depend. Mr. Johnson, and others like him, live in a world of envy. They envy anyone who has more than them, as if the people who have more took it from those who never had it. How absurd.

As to the issue of politics in New Mexico, it seems to me to be true politics when a bureaucrat, or the highest elect-

ed official, ignores facts and logic and "won't let his State Engineer OK it." In this scenario, who is wrong, the person who applied to the government for permission or, the government officials who say permission denied.

I believe Mr. Johnson has it backwards, but that is not surprising to me because backward is the direction that Mr. Johnson and his kind would have us all go.

Wayne Metcalfe  
Ruidoso

### Christmas Village no gift

To the editor:

America's Christmas Village may very well become a reality here in the middle of Ruidoso (check the Web site: www.christmas-village.com). America's Christmas Village Inc. has already applied for a short-term lease with the New Mexico State Land Office and should receive a reply in days. Did our citizens have any chance for public comment?

All of us should have many concerns, including: environmental impact, water, sewer, waste, wildlife, fire dangers, location on an old landfill, roads, etc. This is a huge, 630-acre project, which will impact our resources and lifestyle. According to their Web site, "America's Christmas Village Theme Park will truly become the country's next great destination." Hotels, time-share units, theme park, restaurants, vacation homes, RV park, 18-hole golf course, etc., are planned. This will all be located adjacent to Ruidoso High School.

I urge citizens to contact Ray Powell today at the New Mexico State Land Office and tell him to say NO to the lease. Contact Lincoln County officials.

What is the rest of the story behind this project? What about public hearings? For the sake of so-called "economic development" perceived by a few from out of state, are we destroying our own village? Can you imagine Ruidoso on Labor Day, 2007, with a mere 100,000 more visitors?

Paul Wirth  
Ruidoso

## Telling the truth on the Internet

DAVIS, Calif. — Whether it's checking stock prices, looking up government information or booking a flight, we're relying more and more on information provided over the Internet from electronic databases. But if hackers break into those databases, they could remove files or plant false information, potentially causing huge financial losses.

University of California, Davis, computer scientists are working on the Truthsayer project, which lets computers go on providing useful, accurate information, even though they are open

to attack by hackers.

In the Truthsayer system, developed by Premkumar Devanbu, Michael Gertz, Charles Martell and Phil Rogaway at UC Davis and independent consultant Stuart Stubblebine, the original database is kept on a "trusted" computer which is not connected to the Internet.

Copies of the database are given out to other computers which publish it on the Internet, along with a digital signature from the trusted computer. When a user sends a query over the Internet to

the database, it sends back the answer, plus a "proof" that guarantees that the answer has come from the correct database. Together, the answer and the proof should give the original signature. If the database has been tampered with, the proof will automatically be wrong.

The researchers have already developed a scheme to "sign" documents in the popular XML Web language. Anyone reading a copy of an XML document signed in this way, even a small piece of it, can compare it to the signature to check its authenticity.

Truthsayer has important implications, Devanbu said. It would mean you don't need a high level of security to protect your Web site from hackers, as it is very difficult to change information without being detected. That should make it cheaper and easier to run e-commerce and information sites.

The project is funded by an Information Technology Research grant from the National Science Foundation.

### STREET TALK

QUESTION: Have you ever used air service to or from Ruidoso? Do you think the village should continue to subsidize the cost?



"No, I don't have any idea. I've only been here 23 years."  
Joyce Clear  
Ruidoso



"Years ago, yes. Not with (Rio Grande Air). We were going to try to use this one recently and couldn't get anyone to answer the phone."  
Susan Frederickson  
Ruidoso



"No, I've not read enough to answer. I don't know how serious the need would be. If it's not advantageous to the citizens, then no."  
Anne Hamill  
Ruidoso and West Texas

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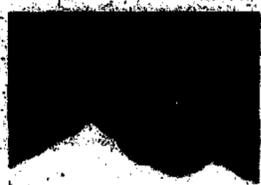
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# BUSINESS

**BUSINESS BRIEFS**

**New manager arrives at Cree Meadows**

Harold Richmond, whose management background includes golf course operation in Deming and Silver City, took over at Cree Meadows Public Golf Course on Aug. 19.

Richmond said his immediate goal is to "improve the overall profile of the club, particularly with local people."

Cree Meadows, Ruidoso's oldest golf course, also includes a restaurant and lounge, and "the only year-round swimming pool in the area." The pool is open to almost 500 club members.

Richmond said the restaurant's Friday fish fry will be followed by other specials. He also plans to expand the restaurant's Sunday brunch.

Rotary, Lions and several bridge clubs meet regularly at Cree Meadows.

Richmond, his wife, Palma, and their two youngest children, ages 12 and 8, are moving from Deming. Two other children are married.

Richmond, recently with a business firm in Deming, formerly was employed at the Rio Mimbres golf course in Deming and the Copper Crest club in Silver City.



Harold Richmond at Cree Meadows

"Palma and I have enjoyed Ruidoso for years, and often thought of relocating from the flats," Richmond said. "This was the opportunity we were looking for."

As for that expanded Sunday brunch plan, Richmond acknowledged that construction of a large new church across Country Club Drive from Cree Meadows has something to do with his plan.

**August building slips a bit**

BY KEITH GREEN  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Ruidoso construction activity registered a slight downturn in August - for the first time in 2002 - but the dollar value of construction year-to-date remains substantially ahead of last year.

August activity reported by the Village of Ruidoso planning office showed a decline of 3.24 percent compared with the same month a year ago, that coming as a result of a near-14 percent decline in single-family residence permits.

Offsetting that, however, were three new commercial projects totaling some \$418,000 - more than four times the tally a year ago.

The biggest percentage decline for the month was a near-80 percent drop in commercial alterations and additions.

In accordance with historical patterns, single-family residences continue to dominate construction activity by a wide margin. For 2002 through August, single-family permits were up by 20.43 percent to a total of \$20.86 million.

The other strong gainer in 2002, percentage-wise, was in new commercial projects - up 147 percent to \$3.67 million. But that is far below the residential pace.

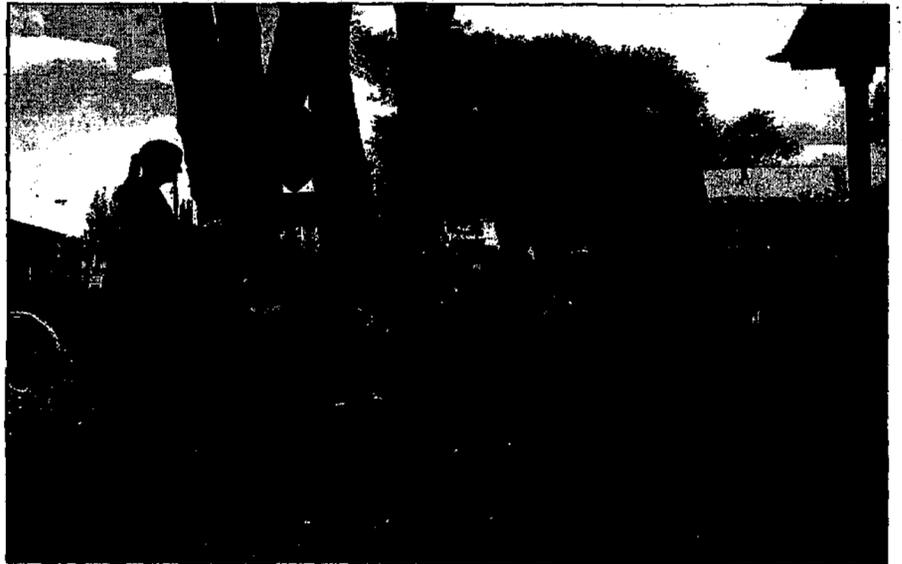
However, the average new residence value has declined this year by about \$10,000 - from \$168,199 last year to \$158,054 this year.

New commercial permits issued in August were \$211,281 for a retail store at 123 Mesalero Trail, \$101,471 for a new Domino's Pizza store at Sudderth Drive and Park Avenue, and \$69,768 for a warehouse at 131 Fort Stanton Road.

The largest single-family residence permit in August was issued to Kerry Jameson for a house on Homestead Drive, valued at \$230,805.

Village permit fees this year have totaled \$177,663.

**FANCY THAT PROMOTION**



KEITH GREEN/STAFF

Fancy-dress flamingoes instead of painted ponies or decorated bears became the heart of a community promotion at Carrizo Joe's coffee shop in Carrizo last weekend. About three dozen decorated yard flamingoes were judged by John and Roma Hall of Capitan. Owners Joe and Karla Organist said it was a happy event for customers old and new, but the possibility of an annual event was not mentioned.

**The Economy and the Markets  
Wobbly, not jobless**

BY SUNG WON SOHN  
CHIEF ECONOMIST, WELLS FARGO

The three legs of the current economic recovery - consumption, inventory building and business capital spending - have become wobbly. Non-auto retail sales are soft and lackluster.

Back-to-school sales could point to a less than merry holiday shopping season. In order to boost non-auto consumer spending more jobs are needed.

It takes 150,000 new jobs per month to keep the jobless rate from rising. Businesses have become so cautious that neither meaningful capital spending nor inventory building is taking place.

Nevertheless, this is no longer a jobless recovery. Employment gains so far have been stronger than the 1991 recovery. Most economic recoveries are jobless in the beginning. Later in the recovery process, businesses regain confidence and accelerate hiring. In the meantime, bargains will continue to attract consumers.

Over capacity in retailing is significant. U.S. retail store space has risen 75 percent in the past decade. Stiff competition will force retailers to cut prices. Moreover, strong replacement demand for equipment (two-thirds of capital spending) should generate new sales. Businesses have to invest in technology in order to remain competitive and protect margins in a nutshell, the economic baton needs to pass from consumers to businesses.

**Bonds: Iraq and interest**

Investors have been pouring money into Treasuries, cutting yields to near record lows. It is hard to believe that rates could continue to dip. The next major move in Treasury yields will be up. Even in a sluggish economic recovery, a slight change in risk perception in a positive direction could lead to a rise in yields.

improved cash flows and positive ratings migration. During the 1991 recovery, Corporates significantly outperformed Treasuries.

Could bond yields jump in a war against Iraq? During the Gulf War, yields initially surged with a spike in the price of oil. Once it became clear, the U.S. would win the war and the supply of oil would not be disrupted, interest rates fell. In a drawn-out war with disrupted oil flows, yields could remain high, eventually sapping economic strength.

This time, the inflationary consequences of a spike in the price of oil and its effect on bond yields would be mitigated for a couple of reasons. The Federal Reserve has effectively reduced inflation psychology. Therefore, a higher price of oil is unlikely to feed into a wage-price spiral. In addition, weak demand and excess capacity still plague the economy.

**Stocks: No double dip**

A broad and sustained recovery in stock prices is unlikely unless the economic outlook and earnings prospects improve. Stocks staged a technical rally from the bottom on July 21.

Since then, equities have run out of steam as the economy has hit a soft patch and earnings projections continue to be lowered. Soft non-auto retail sales are worrisome because consumer staples have been a key strength of the market. Investors were counting on the Federal Reserve to cut the interest rate sparking a rally. Recent pronouncements by officials at the central bank indicate no cuts are likely for now.

Even so, a double-dip in the economy does not mean another setback for stocks. During the post-war period, stocks bottomed before second dips and continued to rise through the second dip in the economy.

During the 1980-82 recession, the second dip occurred in September of '81, but stocks bounced in March 1980. During the 1972-74 recession, the beginning of the second dip and the low point of the stock market came simultaneously.

**High housing costs take a toll**

Escalating prices impact both lifestyle and home-buying decisions

WASHINGTON - High housing costs are changing the way Americans make home-buying and lifestyle decisions, according to a recent survey sponsored by the National Association of Realtors. According to participants polled in July, the high cost of housing has affected the condition and size of the home families can afford, if they can afford to buy one at all.

Sixty percent of those who are very concerned with housing costs strongly agree that "the cost of housing may force me to buy an older home rather than a newer home," while 56 percent said "the cost of housing may force me to buy a smaller home than we need." On the other hand, the housing market has forced many families to stay put, with 44 percent saying that "the cost of housing has forced me to rent rather than buy" and 38 percent agreeing that "the cost of housing has forced me to remodel rather than buy a new home."

High housing costs have also contributed to a stressed

suburban lifestyle where families have to work more, sacrifice leisure time, move farther away, or live in areas with fewer good schools or a higher crime rate.

Nearly seven in 10 participants said they're being forced to work more or sacrifice to afford their current home, with 63 percent agreeing that "the cost of housing is forcing my spouse or members of my family to work more to meet mortgage costs" and 62 percent agreeing that "cost of housing may force me to make sacrifices in lifestyle and leisure time."

Fifty-one percent said that "the cost of housing may prevent me from living in an area with better schools" and 49 percent strongly agree that "the cost of housing may force members of my family to move further away." In addition, 46 percent said "the cost of housing is placing stress on my family meeting mortgage costs" and 45 percent agree that "the cost of housing may prevent me from living in a safer neighbor-

hood." "This survey illustrates that Americans are worried about the high cost of buying or owning a home for their family. Housing affordability issues are driving not only the housing market, but important lifestyle decisions as well, such as where to live and work. As Realtors, we're working with communities around the country to stimulate more affordable housing and close the homeownership gap. We're committed to helping every American afford his or her own home," said NAR President Martin Edwards Jr., a partner in Colliers Wilkinson & Snowden Inc. of Memphis, Tenn.

Although the high cost of housing is a problem nationwide, people in the Western and Plains states are feeling it more acutely.

Fifty-two percent of respondents in the Farm Belt, Mountain and Pacific states each agree that "the cost of housing may prevent me from buying a new home."

**Focus on Agriculture**

**Protesters boo while people starve**

BY STEWART TRUESSEN  
AMERICAN FARM BUREAU

Environmental protesters at the World Summit in Johannesburg, South Africa, jeered U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell. They didn't listen when Powell said the facts about world hunger and poverty scream out to us. They were the ones doing the screaming. They didn't hear him say "nearly one person in four still goes out a bare existence on a dollar a day or less."

The protesters didn't pay attention to his call to include the world's poor in the expanding ring of development. One of the tools to do this is biotechnology. Powell was critical of governments that are blocking its path. "In the face of famine, several governments in Southern Africa have...

...eaten safely around the world since 1985," Powell said. Zimbabwe is one of these countries. Powell also charged its government with violating human rights and pushing millions of people to the brink of starvation by removing white farmers from their land. "The Bush administration is not alone in its criticism of those who oppose biotechnology. Top scientists, agricultural economists and foreign policy specialists are becoming increasingly frustrated with some governments and environmental organizations that are trying to slow or stop development of biotechnology. The frustration stems from the fact that biotechnology can save lives, millions of lives."

Robert Paarlberg, professor of political science at Wellesley College and associate at the Center for International Food Policy, said that the

European Union is to blame for the problem in Africa. "The EU has been insisting that governments in Africa treat GM (genetically modified) crops as a potentially serious threat to rural biological safety," says Paarlberg. "Instead of helping Africa grow more food, the EU is helping Africa grow more regulations," he adds.

Paarlberg is critical of Europe's "precautionary principle" which keeps crop technology under wraps even though there is no scientific evidence of added risk to human health or the environment. People in Europe eat well and farmers prosper with EU subsidies, so biotechnology is hardly missed for now.

Africa is altogether different. People are starving, farmers are poor and they can't be helped through donation of surplus crops and other means. "The question is: What is the

International Service for the Acquisition of Agri-biotech Applications (ISAAA).

Supported by agribusiness and charitable foundations, ISAAA is trying to improve the disease resistance and nutritional value of African and Asian food crops. Current projects in Africa include sweet potatoes, corn and bananas. Scientists also want to develop a fast growing, multi-purpose tree suited to Africa. Wood products are urgently needed for fuel, fence posts and building.

Protests at the World Summit to embarrass Secretary Powell make headlines but they don't make a difference in the diets of Africans. Biotechnology and sound agricultural policies can do that.

Stewart Truessen is the executive director of the American Farm Bureau Association.

# West Nile virus hits Chaves County

## New Mexico veterinarian says no Lincoln County cases yet, but there could be soon

BY ANNE SWILLINGS  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The number of counties with confirmed cases of West Nile virus infections in horses jumped to nine this week - the latest reported in neighboring Chaves County.

Dr. Paul Ettestad, state public health veterinarian, said he is aware that blood samples from horses in Lincoln County are being tested at the Texas Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory in Amarillo, Texas, but he has not heard of any confirmed cases of the virus locally.

"But it wouldn't surprise me to see a case occur anywhere in New Mexico," he said Wednesday. "With cases now confirmed in the eastern counties and with

the disease running in cycles from birds to mosquitoes - birds can fly and establish it anywhere in the state."

Whenever he is notified by a lab of a confirmed case, he follows up to determine if the horse is alive or dead and to get more details, he said.

"We added Chaves and Eddy yesterday," Ettestad said. The other counties on the roster of cases are Roosevelt, Colfax, Quay, San Miguel, Curry and Union County, accounting for eight horses and covering the entire eastern border of the state. The Chaves County horse was from the Roswell area and the two Eddy County horses were from north of Artesia and the Carlsbad area. All of the horses had clinical symptoms consistent with

West Nile Virus.

Dr. Steve England, state veterinarian, said the all New Mexico cases remain confined to horses. No human infections have been confirmed.

"Everybody is getting so excited," with the increased number of cases, he said. "Yet, Colorado is seeing 20 new cases a day and Nebraska and South Dakota are up to 300 cases. We've been telling everybody about this for three years. They just now are listening. It's the exact same pattern that we saw on the East Coast."

"During the summer, the only thing that saved New Mexico was because it was dry, but with all the rain now, we really should get a boost in the number of cases."

# Capitan trustees OK LCSWA rate increase

The village's attorney said to expect a Bonito Pipeline settlement soon.

BY LONEL W. LIPPMANN  
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Tuesday's meeting of the Village of Capitan Trustees, despite dire predictions concerning controversies that would be aired, proved to be uneventful.

The meeting began with a public hearing to consider two proposals. The first proposal was an amendment to the water ordinance to provide for the increase in the cost of trash pickup. The charge had been placed at \$9.25, but was raised to \$14.75 by the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority, and then recently settled at \$12.

Capitan bills and collects the cost of trash pick up for LCSWA, and Mayor Steven Sederwall, following the village ordinance, collected only \$9.25. Questions were raised about the legality of the LCSWA board of directors, all of whom are appointed, having the power to set rates for the vil-

lages that it represents.

Village attorney Don Dutton, who also is the attorney for the LCSWA, assured the Capitan trustees that the joint-powers agreement, under which LCSWA was founded, says the power to set rates was ceded by the member villages to the LCSWA, since each municipality and the county have a representative on the board.

Dutton also presented an alternative proposal to the village trustees that he had authored and called a "reaffirmation of the original joint-powers agreement."

During the regular meeting, trustees voted to amend the current ordinance regarding LCSWA trash rates, rather than adopt the "reaffirmation document" presented by Dutton.

Other agenda items included a discussion and ultimate approval of the construction of a short road to the village wetland sewer ponds as part of an ongoing project of the Ruidoso and Capitan bird watchers. The village agreed to provide the labor and equipment if the

bird watcher's club would provide the material to construct the road.

A "Comprehensive Plan," a CDBG funded planning grant, was presented and accepted.

A motion was made and died for lack of a second to require the LCSWA to do their own billing rather than have their bill included in the monthly village water bill. In lieu of this motion, it was decided to ask the LCSWA how such a move would affect the cost to the customer.

The Bonito Pipeline issue

was added to the agenda as a discussion item.

Dutton indicated that negotiations among attorney Gary Mitchell, who represents five of the plaintiffs, attorney John Underwood, who represents one of the plaintiffs, and himself were continuing and said he expected a proposed settlement in the near future.

One of the plaintiffs, when interviewed, said that he was somewhat perplexed by this since, as far as he was concerned, there was nothing to negotiate.

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# Mescalero crash caused by speeding, BIA reports

BY SANDY SMOGITT  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A 16-year-old Mescalero boy died in a traffic accident about 2:25 p.m. Sept. 2 at mile marker 5 on Bureau of Indian Affairs Route 6 in Mescalero.

Eldon Tortalita Jr. was one of two passengers in a Chevrolet sedan driven by another 16-year-old. Their vehicle was reportedly northbound traveling at excessive speed. The driver lost control and crossed the center line, and was struck by a southbound pick-up truck. Tortalita was ejected from the car and suffered fatal injuries, said Dan Breuninger, District IV commander of the BIA in Albuquerque.

The other vehicle was driven by Edith Mora, 41. She and her passenger, Corliss Kitchin, 22, both of Mescalero, were injured and transported to Lincoln County Medical Center for treatment.

Breuninger said one of the drivers in the sedan disclosed that they were traveling at a high rate of speed.

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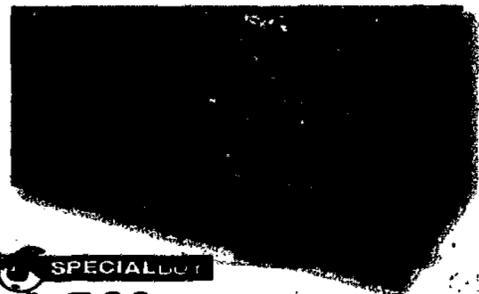
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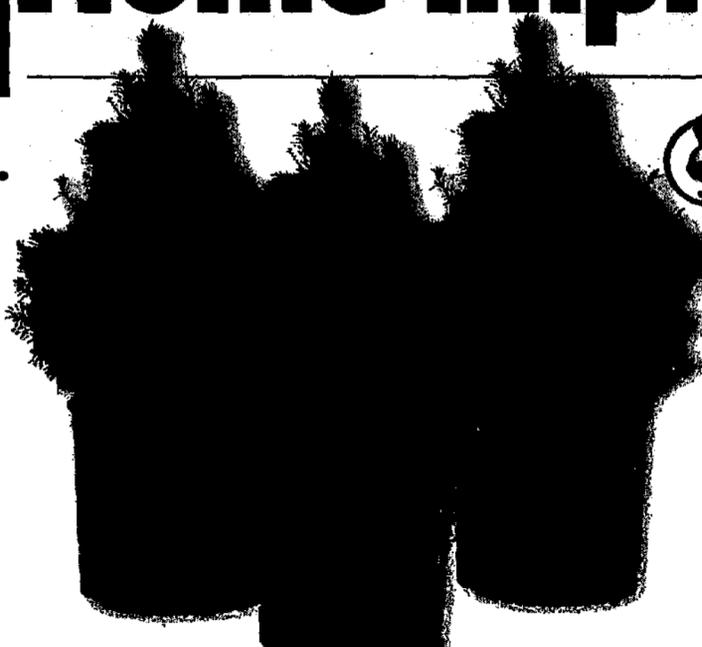
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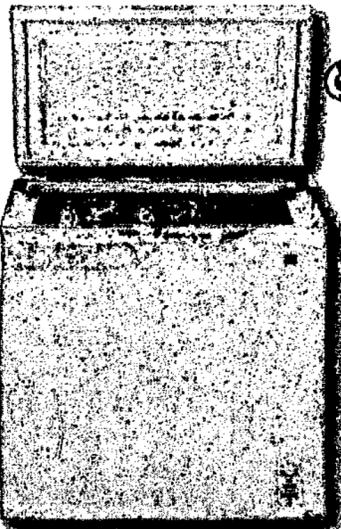
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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Federal feedback

Staff members of U.S. Sen. Pete Domenici, D-N.M., will try to provide assistance during a Ruidoso visit Sept. 19 for anyone experiencing difficulty with federal agencies.

The session will run for just one hour, from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., at the Ruidoso Public Library. Anyone who would like to convey an opinion to the sen-

ator also is welcome to attend.

Live music

Singer-songwriter P. Blake Martin and the Treefrogs will perform at 9 a.m. Saturday at the Ruidoso Roastery.

Local GOP meeting

The Lincoln County Republican Party announces its

next monthly meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 17, at Cree Meadows Country Club at 301 Country Club Drive in Ruidoso. Socials will be at 5:30 p.m., with the dinner and meeting at 6 p.m.

Our guest speakers will be Rob Perry, Republican candidate for Attorney General and Dan Foley of Roswell, Republican candidate for State Representative in District 57.

Everyone is invited. Bring questions and invite friends. For more information, call 257-7369.

EMT training

People in Corona, Carrizozo, Capitan and the Hondo Valley interested in becoming EMTs should call 257-8290 for more information on a fall EMT training class.

WEDDINGS ENGAGEMENTS

Richardson-Cole

Libby Richardson has announced the upcoming wedding of her daughter, Melissa Richardson, to Jason Cole, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Cole of Alamogordo.

The bride-to-be is a 1992 graduate of Ruidoso High School and a 1996 graduate of Eastern New Mexico University.

The groom is a 1990 graduate of Alamogordo High School and is currently employed by the United States Postal Service. The two will be married on Friday, Sept. 20, at 7 p.m., by candlelight at the First Baptist Church of Ruidoso. A reception will follow at the Cree Meadows Country Club. All friends and family are invited to attend.



Jason Cole and Melissa Richardson

Gage-Miller

Tara Lee Gage was married to Michael Troy Miller on Aug. 3 in Austin, Texas.

The ceremony was held at the Shoreline in Austin, with the Rev. Jason Gomez officiated, followed by a dinner reception.

Tara is the daughter of Neal and Dee Brewington of Capitan and Dale and Marilyn Gage of Dallas, Texas. Troy is the son of Michael and Kim Miller of Royce City, Texas.

The bride graduated from the University of Texas in 2000 and is employed as a Student Recruitment Specialist at Austin College.

The groom graduated from the University of Texas in 2001 and is an architectural intern at McGraw, Marburger and Associates in Austin. The couple will make their home in Austin.



Mr. and Mrs. Michael Miller

RUIDOSO POLICE

Trespassing

Police charged Bret Blackwell, 44, of Midland, Texas, with criminal trespass for allegedly entering a house in the 200 block of White Mountain Meadows Drive on Sept. 4.

Dreamcatchers caught

A 13-year-old El Paso, Texas, boy was caught allegedly shoplifting three dream catchers from Firebird, 2527 Sudderth Drive, on Sept. 6. The reporting party watched the boy put the dream catchers in his pocket, and he admitted taking them but could not give a reason for it. He had money in his pocket to pay for them, the report states. The boy was booked, referred to Juvenile Probation Office and released to his parents.

Marijuana found

Police arrested two 17-year-old males

Sept. 9 at the Hideaway cul-de-sac. The officer patrolling the area saw their vehicle parked at the west end of the cul-de-sac and saw them both lighting cigarettes when he approached the car. He also saw a pipe sitting in the center console. He conducted a "consensual encounter" with the two, the report states, and eventually found several pipes and less than an ounce of marijuana.

The 17-year-old from Alto, driving the car, was charged with nine counts of possession of drug paraphernalia and one count of possession of less than an ounce of marijuana, and released to his father. The other, from Ruidoso, was charged with two counts of possession of drug paraphernalia and transported to Dona Ana County Juvenile Detention Facility on a warrant.

Double fault

Police cited Robert C. Breecher, 52, of Ruidoso, and Jason N. Willard, 38, of

Ruidoso Downs, for assault and battery after an altercation over tennis rules or too much talking, the report states.

Window broken

The front glass door of R&R Imports, 2916 Sudderth Drive, was broken between 5:50 and 6:15 p.m. Sept. 10, according to police reports. The bottom left corner was broken by an object with sufficient force to send glass from the door across the room. Damage is estimated at \$250.

Hotel damage

A window and lighting fixture were reported broken in the third floor stairwell of Comfort Inn, 2709 Sudderth Drive between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. Sept. 10. An employee said a chair had been thrown into a window, the report states. Damage is estimated at \$700-1,000.

DOWN POLICE

Arrest made

Police arrested Jeremy Hare, 26, of Ruidoso Downs on Aug. 19 on a warrant for failure to pay fees and costs out of magistrate court.

Larceny

Police charged Eric Helmstetler, 23, of Roswell and Ruidoso with larceny on Aug. 11 after a store clerk at Diamond Shamrock reported he requested change for \$100 in "odd

denominations." The clerk subsequently discovered his cash drawer was short \$249.

Shoplifters caught

An officer responded to Wal-Mart for a report of shoplifting by one adult male and three juveniles on Aug. 11. Police arrested Clayton S. Brown, 20, of Artesia, charging him with shoplifting, and released the juveniles, ages 14, 15, and 17, to their parents.

Fruit market damaged

Police responded to a burglary at Frank's Fruit Market on Aug. 8. Pete Schiavon reported that vandals had cut one of his tarps, valued at \$200, and stole chili ristras valued at \$250.

DWI arrest

Police arrested Jorge G. Mejia, 64, of Sunland Park for DWI first offense on Hwy. 70, Aug. 9. A Ruidoso officer following Mejia reported to the Ruidoso

Downs dispatch that the driver was unable to keep vehicle in his lane of traffic.

Flight stopped

Police charged Wesley Gonzales, 22, of Ruidoso Downs with evading police, driving under a suspended license, reckless driving and failure to obey on Aug. 8. When an officer attempted to stop his vehicle for not displaying a license plate. The suspect fled at a high rate of speed, evaded the officer,

parked his car and fled on foot, according to a police report. Gonzales had outstanding warrants.

Household battery

Police charged Adolph L. Herrera, 33, of Ruidoso Downs with aggravated battery on a household member on Aug. 12 at 8:11 p.m. An officer dispatched to a 911 hang-up call arrived at 211 Hilltop to observe Herrera involved in an altercation with another male subject.

SPORTS



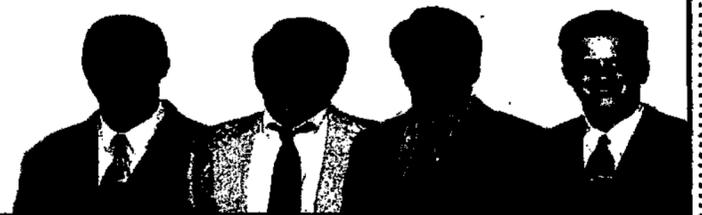
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by TODD FUQUA

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# True colors



DIANNE STALLINGS/STAFF

Several Sept. 11 memorials were held across Lincoln County Wednesday, all of them with a theme of red, white and blue.

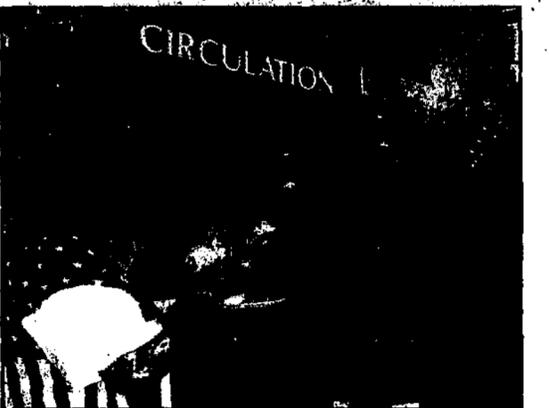
Angel Martinez, 11, at left, chomped down on refreshments at a remembrance at the Ruidoso Public Library in between watching the entertainment and viewing works by local artists.

Under the sign for the circulation desk at the Ruidoso Public Library, a group gathered during a break in the entertainment.

At right, Captain fifth-grader Jordan Dalton showed her patriotism at a morning memorial at the Capitan schools.



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DIANNE STALLINGS/STAFF

## U.S. 70 claims fourth since Aug. 30

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A 63-year-old New Mexico man was killed late Tuesday when the car he was driving slammed into a mountain on the north side of U.S. 70 near Fox Cave east of Ruidoso

Downs. The man's name was not released by Thursday because his family had not been notified. He is the fourth fatality on that stretch of highway since Labor Day

New Mexico State Police Officer Jose Salazar, the 1988 Chevrolet station wagon the man was driving was heading west on U.S. 70 about 10:45 p.m. when it brushed the guard rail on the south side of the roadway.

The driver overcorrected and the car crossed the road, ramming into the mountain. The driver died while on route to a hospital in El Paso. His passenger received minor injuries. The officer reported that seatbelts were used and that no alcohol was involved.

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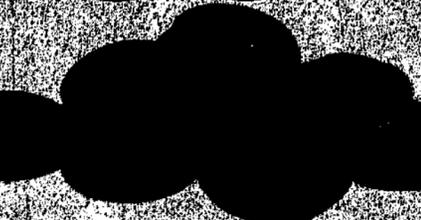
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# SPORTS

## Lady Warriors pull out heart-stopping victory

BY TODD FUQUA  
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

No matter who you cheered for Tuesday night at Ruidoso High School, one thing was certain: This was one exciting game.

The Ruidoso volleyball team again threatened to give their coach a heart-attack while treating fans to an entertaining match against Moriarty — squandering a two-game advantage before pulling out a five-game victory, winning 15-8, 15-8, 9-15, 15-17, 15-7.

"If you can figure out what happened, let me know," Bennett joked. "But they did show their tenacity in the fourth game. They showed they could hang in there and have the heart."

The Lady Warriors (4-3) began the match like they have so many others this season, thoroughly dominating Moriarty (2-1) in the first two games, led by strong net play from Rachel Loya.

Loya had six kills in the first two frames and led Ruidoso with eight kills overall. Jessica Gibson added six kills for the Lady Warriors.

The Pintos countered with Tracy Garcia, who led her team with 10 kills and started to hurt Ruidoso at the net in the third game.

The Lady Warriors showed signs of relaxing after going up 4-1. Moriarty took advantage of a few Ruidoso errors, tied the game at 4-all, then took the lead for good when Tamara Grant was called for being in the net on a block attempt.

Ruidoso never gained any momentum after that, and the Pintos avoided the three game sweep.



Ruidoso hitter Tamara Grant (14) slams the ball past Moriarty blocker Nadette Lovato during Tuesday's volleyball home opener for the Lady Warriors. Ruidoso pulled out a dramatic five-game victory after going up 2-0 in the match.

See VOLLEYBALL, page 2B

## side line

### Prep Scores

Tuesday, Sept. 10  
Volleyball  
Ruidoso d. Moriarty, 3-2  
Mesilla Valley d. Mesalero, 3-1  
Carrizozo d. Gateway Christian, 3-0

### Preps on Tap

Friday, Sept. 13  
Football  
Ruidoso at Moriarty, 7 p.m.  
Capitan vs. Faith Christian, 7 p.m.  
Volleyball  
Ruidoso at Zia Tournament in Roswell  
Boys Soccer  
Ruidoso vs. Aztec at Coyote Invitational in Roswell, 4 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 14  
Football  
Corona vs. Hondo, 2 p.m.  
Volleyball  
Capitan vs. Mesalero, 4 p.m.  
Ruidoso at Zia Tournament in Roswell  
Corona at BVC Tournament in Escalante  
Mesalero at Tohajiilee Tournament  
Boys Soccer  
Ruidoso at Coyote Classic in Roswell

Cross Country  
Ruidoso at Albuquerque, 10 a.m.  
Mesalero at Cobre, 10 a.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 17  
Volleyball  
Corona vs. New Mexico School for the Deaf, 5:30 p.m.  
Ruidoso vs. Artesia, 7 p.m.

### On Deck

Run to Benefit Cancer Awareness  
Now in its sixth year, the Run for the B.E.A.C.H. has raised money for any Lincoln County woman needing to pay for a regular mammogram. This year, the Run for the B.E.A.C.H. will take place Saturday beginning at 8 a.m., starting and ending at the McGary Studio at 2002 Sudderth Dr. Cost to enter the 5K run/walk is \$20 per person, with prizes awarded to winners in age groups from 18-70. Registration is 6:30-7:45 a.m. at McGary Studio, and entry packets may be picked up Wednesday before the race at the Village Buttery, 2107 Sudderth Dr. or at 7 a.m. the day of the race.  
For more information, call 257-8251, visit [www.ruidoso.net/beach](http://www.ruidoso.net/beach) or go to the Village Buttery, Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce or the Ruidoso Convention Center to pick up an application.

USSSA World Series Qualifier  
United States Specialty Sports Association baseball is hosting a 2003 World Series qualifier in Ruidoso Sept. 28-29, with the top two teams qualifying for the final tournament. Entry fee is \$350 per team for age divisions 8U-16U. For more information, contact Phillip Lathram at (915)-689-8718 or Rodney Lathram at (505)-392-3644 or email at [ussa@att.net](mailto:ussa@att.net). Web site for tournament information is [ussa.home.att.net](http://ussa.home.att.net).

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

## Ruidoso to be tested by Pintos

BY TODD FUQUA  
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Last week was a big one for the Ruidoso football team, there's no doubt about it.

A big 49-6 win over Socorro brought the Warriors even in the win-loss bracket and showed they can win with the pass just as effectively with the run.

Ruidoso had 189 yards in the air, compared with just 89 rushing yards and got one touchdown from the Josh Adams-Cassey Mirau connection. Adams also connected quite a bit with Steven Stroup, who had 120 yards receiving on the night.

But if the Warriors have found they can throw, they'd better get ready to defend against it when they take on Moriarty tonight at 7 p.m. in Moriarty.

"They went to Farmington and passed a lot with no back sets," said Ruidoso coach Ridge Bowden. "They threw about 90 percent of the time."

Pinto quarterback Trey Howell actually had 188 yards passing in Moriarty's 48-7 win last week over Farmington.

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Ruidoso kicker Dusty Bolden kicks an extra point while Josh Adams holds during last week's game against Socorro. Ruidoso faces Moriarty tonight at 7 p.m. in Moriarty.

## Successful trainer dead at 64

BY FELIX CHAVEZ  
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

One of Sunland Park and New Mexico's most successful horse trainers is dead at the age of 64. Johnie Jamison, who trained Brew and Star Smasher, among others, died late Monday night at an El Paso hospital. The cause of death had not been determined.

"Johnie was a wonderful man," said C.W. Buddy Ritter, whose is part of the Crew of Brew partnership along with former New Mexico State Athletics Director Jim Paul, Jan Clute, Russ Vandenburg, Steve Smith and the now-late Jamison.



Jamison

The Crew of Brew own the horses Brew and Star Smasher.

"Johnie went from high school to the horse business, but he had the equivalent of three PhDs with his knowledge of horses," Ritter said. "He knew right away whether a horse was good or not. Johnie will be missed. He was the last of a wonderful breed of Western men."

Jamison, who grew up in Raton, began his long-standing relationship with New Mexico tracks in the 1960s, winning the Riley Allison Derby with Missile Pit, one of Sunland Park's fastest horses.

Later on in 1989, Jamison again saddled a Riley Allison winner with Five R's Koolady in the five-furlong race, which was worth more than \$150,000.

Jamison then began an alliance with Paul and the Crew of Brew, Jamison and Paul — who worked together for 14 years — enjoyed their first stakes win together with All I Ask of You and then later on with the filly Love is Blind, which won the Ruidoso Thoroughbred Classic at Ruidoso Downs by coming from dead last.

"Johnie was not walking horses when he was 14, he loved this business. The thing I most admire is

See JAMISON, page 2B

## It's more than just a song

I promised myself I wouldn't write a column commemorating the 9/11 tragedy, but an experience I had at Ruidoso's home volleyball opener against Moriarty changed my mind.

Before I get to this incident, allow me the freedom to talk about my singing abilities.

Believe me, this will all make sense in the end.

Most don't know that I sing — I've sang in the Community United Methodist Church since I've been here, and am now in the Eastern New Mexico University Ruidoso chorale.

In high school, I was in all-state three years, and it would have been four if I had. I thought to try out for a team. I was also a regional finalist in a national voice competition my senior year. I spent four years as a member of the ENMU chorale in Portales.

I don't go through this list to show off my abilities, I do it to show you how seriously I take my singing. When I sing, I want to do it to the best of my ability.

And now to my point — I've sung the national anthem several times in my

life, and will sing it many times more, I'm sure. Usually, it's before some sporting event, a tradition in this country.

But to me, the anthem is not just a formality, something to endure before the excitement of sport. To me, it's a love song to our country, and I

always put everything I have into the performance. I want to do it right.

At Tuesday's game, I offered to Ruidoso basketball coach Billy Page — who was announcing that night — that I could sing if needed. I can sing the anthem at any time, under any conditions, with little or no advance notice. I'm

He didn't need me, the student who was scheduled to sing showed up, but he said he'd keep me in mind. When the time for the anthem came, I stood at attention and honored my country.

Everything went fine until the final lines of the song — "over the land of the free and the home of the brave." If you've been to a Ruidoso High School athletic event, you probably know what I'm getting at.

During that last line, some students think it's cute to

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### ON THE DDOT



BY TODD FUQUA  
SPORTS EDITOR

SEP 13 2002

# ANTHEM: Show some respect

FROM PAGE 1B

shout at the end "home of the WARRIORS." Personally, I am deeply offended by this.

Why? Remember, I view the anthem as a love song to our country, and I'm sure I don't have to remind you that our country was attacked just over a year ago.

Many thousands gave their lives that day. While there were many at the Pentagon whose job it is to put their life on the line for us, most who died at the World Trade Center in New York were simply at work. They were in business meetings, advising clients on their finances, standing around the water cooler talking about the previous night's football game, or thinking about who they would vote for in that city's mayoral primaries being held that day.

They were ordinary everyday people, doing ordinary everyday things, on what they thought was an ordinary everyday day. Instead, many died a horrible death.

And if they were under attack, then dammit, so was I. And so were you.

Except for a cousin who is currently stationed as an Army supply officer in the Seattle area, I've never had any relatives in the armed forces. But I've always been proud of the men and women who volunteer to serve this nation and protect her interests. Sept. 11 showed just how precious those interests are.

That's why I take the singing of the national anthem so seriously, and that's why I was so hurt by the display put on by the Ruidoso High students. I don't mind them showing some school spirit, I care about Ruidoso athletics, too. But I also know when to separate love of school and love of country. Remember, we're all Americans here.

I will sing at Capitan, Carrizozo, Mescalero, Hondo, Corona, even Ruidoso Downs if they let me.

But until the student body of Ruidoso High decides to rescind that tradition of defaming our anthem, my offer to sing at Warrior contests is withdrawn.

# VOLLEYBALL: Big finish for Ruidoso

FROM PAGE 1B

Moriarty still had their momentum in the fourth game, but the Lady Warriors wouldn't let them streak ahead this time. Ruidoso had the lead twice, at 2-1 and a match-point serve at 14-13, and were never more than three points off the lead.

The Pintos had game-point serve three times at 15-14 before Ruidoso was again able to tie it. But the Lady Warriors just didn't have enough steam in the end as Moriarty won the game and forced a fifth and deciding frame.

Despite their loss in the fourth game, Bennett was excited about the way her team never gave up and almost won it.

"Even though we lost, I think that's what gave them the momentum," Bennett said. "They had us down, but we tied it and wouldn't let go."

Now playing under rally scoring rules — in which a point is awarded on every serve, regardless of which team has the serve — Ruidoso came out with a vengeance, scoring the first seven points in a row on screaming line drive serves by Jenna Carrasco.

Clearly, the Lady Warriors were tired of messing around.

One of the biggest surprises of the match, particularly in the final game, was Grant's play at the net. Previously only used as a blocker because of her size, Grant began hitting the ball well and taking advantage of situations for four kills in the



TODD FUJIA/STAFF

Senior Rachel Loya (12), does some hitting of her own against Moriarty defenders Tuesday at Ruidoso High School. Loya led the Lady Warriors with eight kills in the match.

game. No one was more surprised than Grant herself.

"I was kind of nervous at first," Grant said of her play at the net. "I didn't think I'd do that well, and was surprised at a lot of plays. I thought they'd call me on a lot of things."

"She was struggling at first," Bennett

said of Grant. "This was the first year she's hit, so when she does hit it well, she'll look at me with that surprised look and say, 'Coach, I did it!'"

Ruidoso now begins two days of grueling pool and tournament play at the Zia Classic in Roswell, starting today at Roswell and Goddard high schools and continuing through Saturday.

# AWARDS: Winners announced for Ruidoso Downs

FROM PAGE 1B

trained by John Bassett and owned by Eaves Horses Family, came in second in the Rainbow Derby and the All American Derby.

Royal Baby Sister was given the title of 3-year-old filly for owner Jackie Sessions and trainer K.C. Carden. Royal Baby Sister won the Bayer Legend Derby.

Significant Speed, owned by Scarlett Hill Farms and trained by C. Dwayne Gilbreath, took the honor of Older Quarter Horse. Significant Speed won the All American Gold Cup this year.

King Rick Rack took the honor of Distance Quarter Horse by winning the Fine Line Master Salls and the Brigand Handicap. King Rick Rack is trained by Patrick Swan and owned by Lewis B. Allen.

Dooley For Cash took the honor of New Mexico Bred Quarter Horse. Dooley For Cash, trained by Jose Dominguez and owned by Sandra Erwin, won the Zia Futurity and the All American Juvenile.

Race of the meet was the Rainbow Derby, when SC Chiseled In Stone was able to surge past Tres Seis for the win for trainer Tony Sedillo and owners SMS Racing.

## Thoroughbred Division

Thoroughbred and All Around trainer of the meet went to Fred Danley. Danley won the Rio Grande Senorita Futurity with Shemoveslikeaghost.

Thoroughbred jockey of the meet went to Carlos Madiera, who piloted stakes winners in the Ruidoso Oaks and the MBNA Challenge. Madiera

also took home honors in the All Around Jockey.

Thoroughbred owner of the meet went to John R. Black.

Horse of the Meet went to Shemoveslikeaghost, winner of the Rio Grande Senorita Futurity. Shemoveslikeaghost posted an impressive win for trainer Fred Danley and owner W.T. Stradley. Shemoveslikeaghost also took the honor of 2-year-old Filly and New Mexico bred.

Thoroughbred 2-year-old colt or gelding went to Roll Hennessy Roll. Roll Hennessy Roll, trained by the late Johnnie Jamison and owned by Stan Fulton, won the Los Ninos Stakes and the Ruidoso Thoroughbred Futurity.

Thoroughbred 3-year-old colt or gelding went to Ninety Nine Jack, who also took the honor of Thoroughbred sprinter. Ninety Nine Jack, trained by Michael Welch and owned by Mary H. Bowden, won the Norgor Derby.

Thoroughbred 3-year-old filly went to Devious Ways, winner of the Ruidoso Oaks for trainer Todd W. Fincher and owners Old School Racing.

Thoroughbred Older Horse went to Live Show, who also split the honor of New Mexico Bred with Shemoveslikeaghost. Live Show won the Land of Enchantment Handicap.

Thoroughbred Race of the Meet went to the Free Spirits Handicap when Gee Wally won the race for trainer Terry A. Walker and owner Jay Battershell.

# JAMISON: Successful horse racing career cut short

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that he could have a horse walk in front of him and walk back and he could tell you what, if any problems that horse had and whether he had a future," Paul said. "And that comes from experience. I used to tease him that we'd have a horse that was good and he was going to be good and accomplish things, but Johnnie would always downplay that. He was like Don Haskins in that way. Don would worry about schools, he knew he could beat Johnnie, he knew he could beat Johnnie, he knew he could beat Johnnie, they were and what problems they give our horse.

"But Johnnie was always straight forward with you. He prepared horses, he was there to wash them down. Johnnie was always at work at 4:30 in the morning. He could always tell if a horse was having problems because he rubbed them, he washed them, he put rubbing alcohol on them. While some people have others do things like that, Johnnie did it himself and that was unique. He had a personal touch to him and he was

quiet, very nice to people. But inside he was also a competitor and very intense about the sport."

Jamison and the Crew of Brew enjoyed a great deal of success with Brew, who began racing in the late 1990s. Brew has won every major thoroughbred stakes race in the state, including the Sunland Park Handicap, Currihot Handicap, Albuquerque Handicap and Ruidoso Thoroughbred Championship.

Brew has earned \$354,000 in his career.

Jamison also trained Yulla Yulla, who was named the Sunland Park Horse of the Meet in 1999-2000. Yulla Yulla has won

an astounding 21 of 27 races and earned nearly \$450,000 in his brilliant career.

Jamison's latest crop of stars included Star Smasher, Musical Chairs, Cherokee's Disco and Roll Hennessy Roll.

Cherokee's Disco, who is owned by Sunland Park owner Stanley Fulton, won the Kachina Stakes at Ruidoso Downs this summer, while Roll Hennessy Roll won the Los Ninos Stakes and Ruidoso Thoroughbred

Felix Chavez is a sports writer for the Las Cruces Sun-News, a sister paper to the Ruidoso News.

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Capitan's Sheldon Moor, right, tackles a Mescalero running back during a preseason scrimmage in Corona. The Tigers host Faith Christian tonight at 7 p.m., while the Chiefs are off until next Friday's game at Ramiah.

Corona volleyball coach community-minded

BY LESTER HAYES FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Rick Gage is a very dedicated man with a great sense of community. Not only is he head volleyball coach for the Corona Lady Cardinals, he is also president of the local school board, volunteering his time to perform both functions.

2002 is Gage's sixth season at Corona, and a rough season he feels it will be. He graduated three seniors last season, leaving this year's team with only two starters. And fate dealt them another blow when five hopefuls for the new season moved away over the summer, leaving the pickings a bit slim.

This year's team consists of only six players — a senior, a junior, two sophomores, a freshman, and an eighth grader. Gage is pleased that Class A schools like Corona and others are allowed to bring in eighth graders to play on the varsity team.

"Without this option we could not have played this season," Gage said.

Facing this season with only six girls to make up a six-girl team has already proved to be a risky business. Gage's team is laying with the unsettling knowledge that there is no one to look to in case of an injury. Losing a player could end their season early.

As it is, Corona has lost all three of their games played thus far this season, to House, Laughn and Lake Arthur.

"The one good thing about a team this size is that players don't have to worry about being pulled from a starting position," Gage mused.

Winning will require lots of hard work and perseverance from his young team. That should not be a problem because the girls are naturally working quite well together, interacting as a team.

Gage feels he and his team are extremely lucky to have Rahim Hindi as assistant coach, having had "in the hall of fame" of 20 years coaching volleyball under his belt. Retired from Mountainair, Hindi came back with the team he led to state championship back when his wife played on Corona's volleyball team.



"There is some good competition in our district," admits Gage, "teams such as Carrizozo, Mountainair, yet through lots of hard work, we plan to be a competitive force in the district."

Corona lost their opening match against House in three games, but that does not seem to shake Gage's faith in his team.

"The team is a little rusty," Gage said, "but it was expected early in the season. If we peak in mid to late October we have a chance at winning district."

The way will not be easy for these young Cardinal girls, but with the degree of determination amongst this courageous team, anything can happen. When asked to sum up his feelings about this season Gage said, "This year will be a challenge. We will see if I am up to it, and if the kids are up to it."

Corona's next game was in the Bean Valley Conference tournament in Estancia, which began Thursday and continues through Saturday.

WARRIORS: Facing a big test

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and often took to running when a receiver wasn't available, gaining 56 yards on the ground.

Howell, a 189-pound senior transfer from Pasadena, Texas, is the one player that truly worries Bowden.

"He throws the ball well, no doubt about it," Bowden said. "He's a very good athlete."

Bowden said Howell throws quite a bit to Michael Boldonado and Jeff Anaya, while the offensive and defensive lines are well-conditioned.

As for the Warriors, Bowden said they'll need to establish the run if their passing game is to be successful.

"I'd like to be about 50-50 between the run and pass," Bowden said. "With our triple option, it's even more of a threat if we pass, but that running game has to be there."

"Certainly, facing a passing team like this will prepare us for the future," said Bowden of Moriarty's talent. "Silver, Deming and Lovington all throw, this will only help us."

"Certainly, facing a passing team like this will prepare us for the future."

Ridge Bowden  
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By Drew Gamber

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# Nearby bases mean Ruidosoans should stay alert

BY DANNIE STALLINGS  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

■ The Homeland Security Alert level was placed at high this week.

The threat from terrorists may seem remote living in a mountain community in Lincoln County, but not when emergency managers look at the bigger picture that encompasses White Sands, Missile Range southwest of Ruidoso

and Fort Bliss in El Paso. That's why Ruidoso's emergency manager Thomas Chavez wants residents and visitors to be aware that the country is on a heightened alert this week. "The federal government has raised the Homeland Security Alert level to Orange-High," he said. "In accordance with the State Emergency Operations

Plan, the New Mexico State Emergency Operations Center has upgraded the ongoing activation to Level 2. "Domestic terrorism can happen anytime, any place, as was proved in Oklahoma City and by the attacks in New York. I want our citizens to be aware of what's happening nationally. If there is any kind

of threat from human-caused or natural disasters such as flood or fire locally, we will use our automatic dialing telephone system and other means to alert them." While all state emergency agency representatives were told they should be considered on alert and be ready to respond to the state office, no

events throughout New Mexico have been canceled, Chavez said. The state will continue to monitor national and local situations. Report any suspicious activity to local law enforcement (505) 258-7365 and the New Mexico State Police at (505) 437-1313 or through the emergency 9-1-1 number.

# Safety, ecology concerns with forest roads

Report analyzes pros and cons of existing, future byways running through Lincoln National Forest

BY DANNIE STALLINGS  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

To implement recommendations contained in a draft analysis of the main transportation system on the Lincoln National Forest, 36.4 miles of rights of way would have to be acquired. The aim of the analysis is to help the U.S. Forest Service create and maintain road systems that are safe and responsive to public needs, are affordable and efficiently managed, are adequate for management activities, have minimal negative ecological effects on the land and are in balance with available funding, according to a summary. Copies are available for public review and comments, which must be received by Oct. 8. The report analyzed 1,045 miles of roads and recommended a reduction of maintenance on 55 miles to save money and to reduce the risk associated with roads clas-

sified for passenger car access. About 70 percent or 728 miles of the roads present a high risk for wildfire or to wildlife, watersheds or cultural resources, the report states. Of that number, 54 percent, or 393 miles, are state and county roads. Each road was screened for its impact, then categorized as high or low value for access to recreation, forest facilities and resources. Forest Service officials stated in the analysis that they have no plans to build roads within inventoried roadless areas and permanent roads are not planned for other unroaded areas. The presence of roads increases the risk of new noxious weeds being spread, the summary states. Those weeds often displace the habitat of existing native species and can dramatically alter the ecosystem. On the positive side, roads allow better access to the forest for many types of treat-

ments against diseases, parasites and insects. Because no new roads are proposed, the forest service looked at how to deal with the already existing disturbances such as noise on wildlife, erosion and increased runoff. The staff also reviewed the potential for pollutants such as de-icing salts to enter streams from roads and the impact on riparian plants. The report can be downloaded from www.fs.fed.us/r3/lincoln under the heading "NEPA Documents." Copies also can be picked up from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday at the Smokey Bear District Office on Mechem Drive in Ruidoso, or contact Nancy Taylor at (505) 434-7370 or ntaylor@fs.fed.us with a name and mailing address. Written comments may be sent to Taylor at 1101 New York Avenue, Alamogordo, NM 88310 or by e-mail.

# Historical society to meet

BY JULIE CARTER  
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

The Lincoln County Historical Society is bringing staff members of the State Historic Preservation Office in Santa Fe to answer questions during a workshop Tuesday, Sept. 17. The workshop will be held at the Carrizozo Woman's Club. How do neighborhoods become designated Historic Districts? How does a home or old building get on the

State or National Register of Historic Places? What are the criteria, the advantages and the process? These questions and more will be answered during the workshop that will begin at noon with a potluck lunch. The actual meeting will begin shortly after 1 p.m. if you cannot come during lunch. The event is open to anyone interested. For additional information call 648-2857 or 663-4821.

# Carrizozo cleanup program initiated by grant

BY JULIE CARTER  
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Carrizozo residents can help clean their town as part of a \$9,800 grant awarded by New Mexico's Clean and Beautiful program. The grant requires three cleanup projects - the first of which will be a trash pickup day Saturday, Sept. 14. Sponsored by the staff of the

town of Carrizozo, everyone is invited to get involved in the event. Residents will gather at City Hall/Recreation Center at 7:30 a.m. where they will enjoy coffee, juice and doughnuts. Participants will be assigned to cleanup teams, issued gloves, trash bags and a lunch ticket. The first 200 people to sign up will receive a free T-shirt. The lunch ticket can be

redeemed for lunch at a hamburger fry in Spencer Park at noon. The Carrizozo Fire Department will be cooking the hamburgers. The grant provides for dumpsters to be placed around town. Owners of Adopt-A-Miles are being asked to clean up their areas along the highways leading in and out of town. Special circumstance services will be afforded to those

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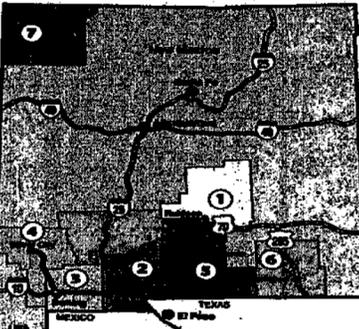
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**NICE BUILDING LOT**  
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Including deck & backyard. Nice floor plan w/ large game room/bedroom & 3/4 Ba downstairs, and FP in Master. Big lot. \$249,750 #97620 CALL JAMES PAXTON

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412/410 HULL Rd - Saturday Only, 8:07 AM - Computer & Computer Printer & Misc. Sale Affordable, professionally refurbished laser printers for small business & students, \$25 and up. iMac computer, o/e 8.5. Laser & inkjet cartridges for various printers. Also, Harmon Kardon, circa 1960, tube type receiver - a real collectors item, 2 speakers, & several HP Deskjet printers. Also, portable SC typewriter & SC Word Processor.

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

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**ORDINANCE 2002-12**

Notice is hereby given that the Governing Body of the City of Ruidoso, New Mexico, shall conduct a Public Hearing in conjunction with the regular meeting scheduled for Tuesday, September 24, 2002 at 6:30 P.M. at the City Hall, Hubbard Room, 122 Downs Drive, Ruidoso Downs for adopting the following Ordinance.

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Copies of Ordinance 2002-12 are on file in the office of the City Clerk and are available for public review Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M.

Witness my hand and the seal of the City of Ruidoso, New Mexico, this 13th day of September 2002.

/s/ Carol Virden  
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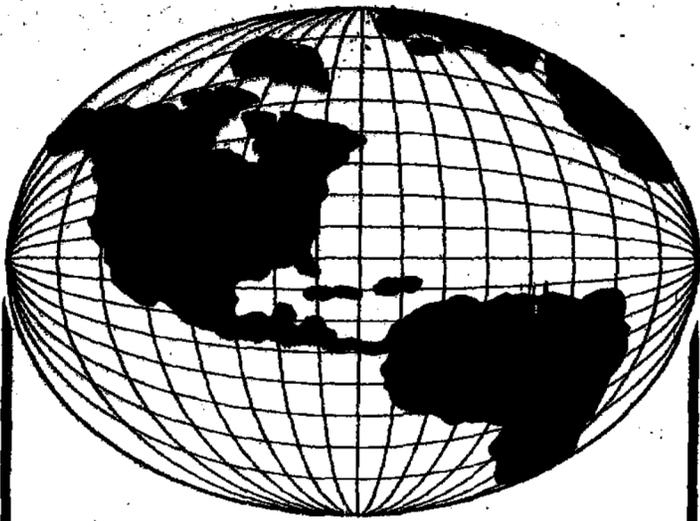
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# VAMONOS!

# VRRROOM!

## Golden Aspen Motorcycle Rally brings a lot of bikers – and entertainment – to Ruidoso Downs later this month

BY SANDY SUGGITT  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Welcome the motorcyclists coming to town for the Golden Aspen Motorcycle Rally Sept. 18-22 at the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce's Hospitality Night, 5:30-7 p.m. Wednesday at the Sports Theatre of Ruidoso Downs Race Track.

About 24 local restaurants will donate food for the event, and it's open to the public at no charge, said rally organizer Ron Andrews. The motorcycle trade show will be open to the public at no charge that evening, he added.

Another event of possible interest to locals is the Nite Lite Parade at 8 p.m. Thursday, after judging, when motorcyclists with "an inordinate amount of lighting on them" will parade from the Sports Theatre, through town on Sudderth Drive, ending up at Lawrence Brothers on Mechem Drive. Look for the winners at the front of the parade.

The big parade is at 10 a.m. on Saturday, with thousands of motorcycles lining up outside Lawrence Brothers on Mechem Drive, rolling on to Sudderth Drive and to the Sports Theatre from there.

For those not registered with the rally, \$6 day passes to the \$6,000-square-foot trade show in the new pavilion behind the sports theatre are available throughout the rally.

Last year, motorcyclists came from 44 states and four foreign countries (Germany, Canada, Mexico and Argentina), and the long-distance solo rider drove 1,800 miles from



RON AND JILL ANDREWS HAVE BEEN ORGANIZING THE GOLDEN ASPEN MOTORCYCLE RALLY SINCE 1990.

New York, with the long-distance couple driving 1,550 miles from Ohio. The oldest male rider was 83 and the oldest female rider was 81, Andrews said.

Andrews said the rally started in 1969 when Till Thompson and his friends called it Aspencade and held it in conjunction with the Aspenfest.

"Aspencade was a community event that had been going on for years and years. In 1969, Till Thompson decided to incorporate a motorcycle event," Andrews said. That continued until about 1980 when Thompson "got crossways with some of the folks in town, so he took the motorcycle rally — he'd registered the name Aspencade as a registered trademark — and moved the rally out of Ruidoso to Arkansas."

The Ruidoso Businessmen's Association formed in 1981 or 1982 and held the Ruidoso Motorcycle Festival for three or four years, Andrews said. That group dissolved

and others formed the Golden Aspen Rally Association.

Andrews and his wife, Jill, moved to Ruidoso in 1986 and he became vice president. Then in 1990 the Andrews took over the Golden Aspen Rally Association Inc., chartered with the American Motorcyclist Association and the Texas Motorcycle Riders Association.

"We moved the rally away from Aspenfest Weekend in order to provide another special event to help fill an otherwise slow period," Andrews said. "That's also why we started the May rally six years ago."

In 1996, the *Ruidoso News* reported the total estimated receipts from the Golden Aspen Motorcycle Rally were \$2 million, with estimated lodging receipts at \$863,000. That year, attendance was less than 20,000, Andrews said. Last year, attendance was 32,000, a 34 percent increase over 2000.

"People say, 'When do you start working on next year's rally?' and I say, 'About a year and a half ago,'" Andrews said, explaining that he just applied to the American Motorcyclist Association for the national convention designation for 2004 — something given to only two rallies a year.

It's quite a feather in Ruidoso's collective cap to have that designation, justified, Andrews said, because of the number of events provided for the entry fee.

"We give an awful lot of value for their dollar," Andrews said. "Entertainment, a rally pin, a rally patch, daily trade show entry, a different tour and poker run every day, motorcycle judging events, field events and games, a chance to win a



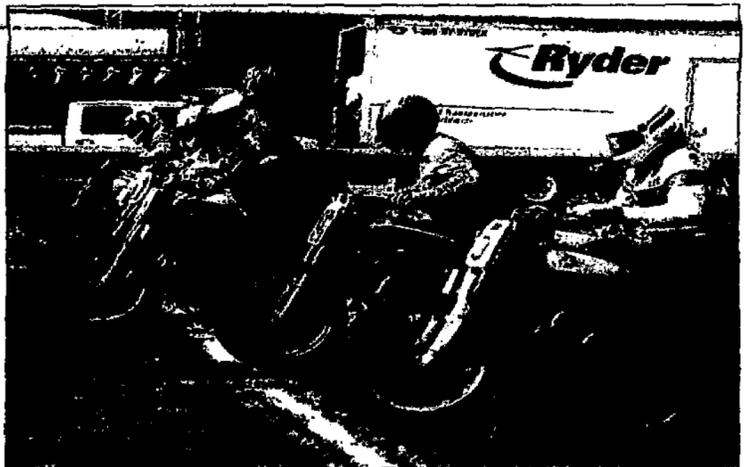
Biker Bear "Bar Lee Davidson," decorated by Ardis Hood and mascot for the Great Bear Hunt, stands outside the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce waiting for the Golden Aspen Motorcycle Rally. After the last day of Aspenfest, he'll be raffled off as a fundraiser by the Ruidoso Arts Commission. Tickets are \$2 each or three for \$5 and available at the chamber.

new Harley Davidson touring motorcycle, thousands of dollars in other prizes."

Those who preregister also get a Flying J dinner and view the Albuquerque trials exhibition group of light, one-cycle motorcycles that ride on top of cars, logs and rocks

and "dance around and perform a show without putting their feet down." In addition, the rally offers parades, church services, meals, Motorcycle Safety Foundation rider courses and seminars on riding tech-

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Races have been part of the rally in the past, although plenty of other events, from poker runs to parades to a trade show also take place.

# Arrrr, talk like a pirate – or prepare to be boarded

Every now and then, some visionary individuals come along with a concept that is so original and so revolutionary that your immediate reaction is: "Those individuals should be on medication."

Today I want to tell you about two such people, John Baur and Mark Summers, who have come up with a concept that is going to make you kick yourself for not thinking of it first: Talk Like a Pirate Day. As the name suggests, this is a day on which everybody would talk like a pirate. Is that a great idea, or what? There are so many practical benefits that I can't even begin to list them all.

Baur and Summers came up with this idea a few years ago. They were playing racquetball, and, as so often happens, they began talking like pirates. And then it struck them: Why not have a day when EVERYBODY talks like a pirate? They decided that the logical day would be Sept. 19, because that — as you are no doubt aware — is Summers' ex-wife's birthday.

Since then, Baur and Summers have made a near-superhuman effort to promote Talk Like a Pirate Day. As Baur puts it: "We've talked like pirates, and encouraged our several friends to, every Sept. 19, except for a couple where we forgot."

And yet, incredibly, despite this well-orchestrated campaign, the nation has turned a deaf shoulder to Talk Like a Pirate Day. In desperation, Baur and Summers turned to me for help. As an influential newspaper columnist, I have the power to "make or break" a national day. You may recall that almost nobody celebrated Thanksgiving until I began writing about it in the 1970s.

I have given Baur and Summers' idea serious thought, looking for ways to improve it. One variation I considered was Talk Like a Member of the Lollipop Guild Day, on which everybody would talk like the three Munchkins in the film version of "The Wizard of Oz" who welcome Dorothy to Munchkin Land by singing with one cor-

ner of their mouths drooping down, as though they have large invisible dental suction devices hanging from their lips. But I realized that would be stupid.

So I have decided to throw my full support behind Talk Like a Pirate Day, to be observed this Thursday, Sept. 19. To help promote this important cause, I have decided to seek the endorsement of famous celebrities, and I am pleased to report that, as of today, Tom Cruise, Julia Roberts, Britney Spears, Brad Pitt, Oprah Winfrey, the Osbournes, Tiger Woods, Ted Koppel, the Sopranos, Puff Diddy and the late Elvis Presley are all people who I hope will read this column and become big supporters. I see no need to recruit President Bush, because he already talks like a pirate, as we can see from this transcript of a recent White House press conference.

REPORTER: Could you please explain either your foreign or your domestic policy?  
PRESIDENT BUSH: Arrrrr.

To prepare for Talk Like a Pirate Day, you should practice incorporating pirate terminology into your everyday speech. For example, let's consider a typical conversation between two co-workers in a business office:

BOB: Hi, Mary.  
MARY: Hi, Bob. Have you had a chance to look at the Fennerman contract?  
BOB: Yes, and I have some suggestions.

MARY: OK, I'll review them.  
Now let's see how this same conversation would sound on Talk Like a Pirate Day:

BOB: Avast, me hearty.  
MARY: Avast, Bob. Is that a yardarm in your doobies, or are you just glad to see me?  
BOB: You are giving me the desire to haul some keel.  
MARY: Arrrrr.  
As you can see, talking like a pirate will infuse your everyday conversations with romance and danger. So join the movement! On Sept. 19, do not answer the phone with "hello." Answer the phone with "Ahoy, me hearty!" If the caller

objects that he is not a hearty, inform him that he is a scurvy dog (or, if the caller is female, a scurvy female dog) who will be walking the plank off the poop deck and winding up in Davy Jones' locker, sleeping with the fishes. No, wait, that would be Talk Like a Pirate in "The Godfather" Day, which is another variation I considered ("I'm gonna make him an offer that will shiver his timbers").

But the point is, this is a great idea, and you, me lucko, should be part of it. Join us on Sept. 19. You HAVE the buckles, darn it! Don't be afraid to swash them! Let's make this into a grassroots movement that sweeps the nation, like campaign-finance reform, or Krispy Kreme doughnuts. I truly think this idea could bring us as a nation closer together.

But not TOO much closer. Some of us will have swords.  
Dave Barry is a columnist for the *Miami Herald*. Write to him c/o The *Miami Herald*, One Herald Plaza, Miami, FL 33132.

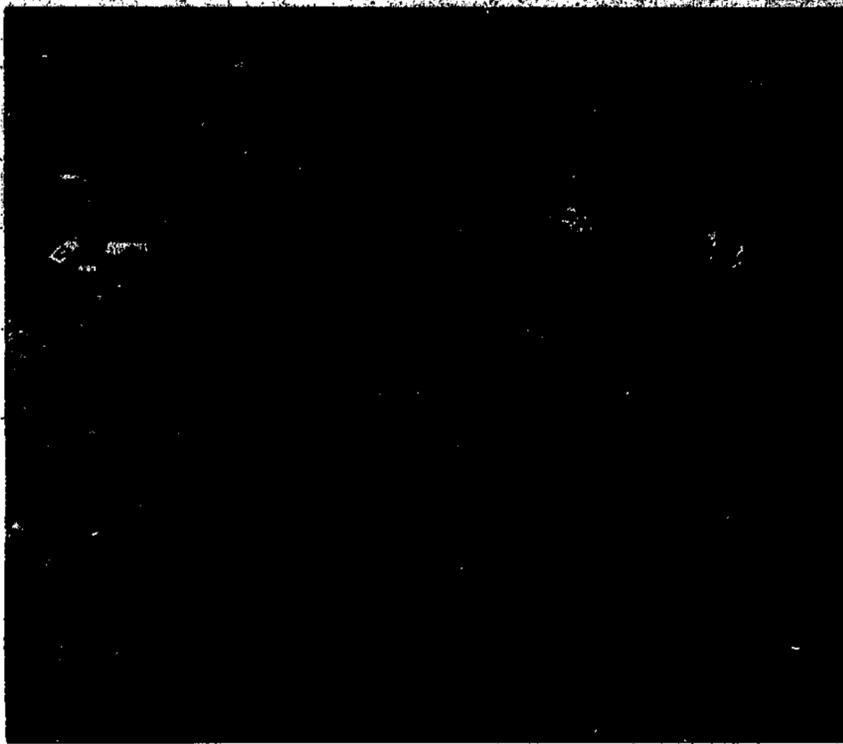
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# Flamingo a-go-go

Carrizozo Joe's Fall Fashion Flamingo Contest brought out the creativity in numerous Lincoln County residents recently.

Awards were handed out Sept. 7 to a select few "rare birds."

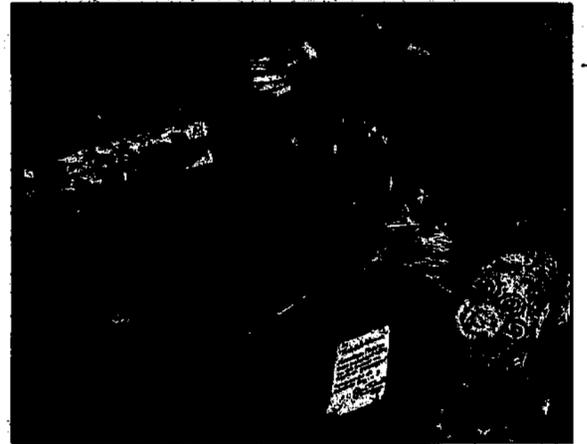
The flamingos will be on display through the end of September. See page 6A for more information.



KEITH GREEN/STAFF

At left, Karla Organist bestows the grand prize to Fu Fu Flamingo, Queen of the Nija, decorated by Jim Wall, one of 37 ornately costumed flamingos gracing the front yard of Carrizozo Joe's for the Fall Fashion Flamingo Contest and Show Sept. 7. The youth winner was Lela Perez.

Below, "Mescalingo Flamingo, the Habitat Warrior," by Gena Torricelli, won the "Most Original Idea" award and was one of the four finalists in the Top Flight category for Best of Show at Carrizozo Joe's Fall Fashion Flamingo Contest and Show.



SANDY SUGGITT/STAFF

## Nogal fest offers fun 'until the fire goes out'

The Sept. 21 event is free to visitors — and art vendors who sign up ahead of time.

Experience the magic of beautiful Nogal at the Fifth Annual Nogal Harvest Fest, 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept.

21, until the fire goes out. Entry is free for visitors and art vendors (sign up by Sept. 19 by calling 354-2984).

New this year is the first awarding of the Nogal Peace Prize to gubernatorial candidate Bill Richardson around 4 p.m. Also new on the agenda is an

apple-eating contest, a hay bale-tossing contest and a watermelon seed-spitting contest.

The Nogal Harvest Fest features exhibits of local artists and craftsmen, music, Nogal apples, preserves and pies, face painting, an exotic petting zoo and games of volleyball. Everyone,

regardless of athletic ability, is welcome to join the fun.

Hamburgers, hot dogs and sodas will be served (BYOB). The festival site is at the home of Georgia and Michael Lagg, first left on Nogal Canyon Road, which is between mile markers 9 and 10 on state Highway 87.

## RALLY: Golden Aspen returns to the pines later this month

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niques and motorcycle care, and admission to the Pine Top Rod & Custom Car Show at the Ruidoso Convention Center on Saturday.

### Pine Top Rod and Custom Car Show

Also part of the Golden Aspen Motorcycle Rally is the Pine Top Rod and Custom Car Show at the Ruidoso Convention Center from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 21. Admission is \$2. Those registered with the motorcycle

rally (wearing red or green arm bands) are admitted free.

Doug Babcock, vice president of the Pine Top Rod and Custom Car Club, said there were about 40 cars last year and he's hoping for more this year — especially local ones. Registration for cars is 6-9 p.m. Friday, Sept. 20 and 8-10 a.m. on Saturday.

The club has a spring show at School House Park and this fall show is in its second year.

"It's handy to have an indoor show because it always rains during the motorcycle rally," Gary Dean, secretary of

the club said.

Besides the cars, vendors will have collectible die-cast cars and digital T-shirts from photos of cars and motorcycles, and food will be available.

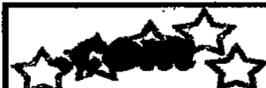
There will be arcade games for the public can participate in, games for participants, and oldies music.

Also during the rally, Grand Funk Railroad will perform Sept. 21 at 8 p.m. at Ruidoso Downs Race Track. Tickets are available, starting at \$15, by calling 378-4140.

Anyone interested in join-

ing the club can call Babcock at the Ruidoso Police Department, 258-7365, or Bob Bridges, president, at 258-4060.

For more information on the Golden Aspen Motorcycle Rally, visit [www.motorcyclerally.com](http://www.motorcyclerally.com) or call (800) 452-8045.

  
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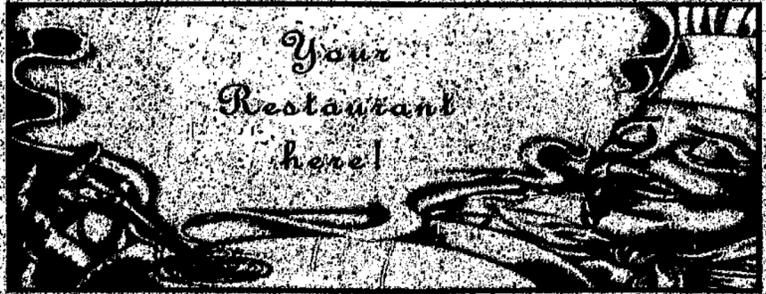
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Sunday 9 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday 7 p.m. White Mountain Plaza on Mechem. 336-1979.

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

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Crosspoint Christian Fellowship  
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Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount 121 Mesalero Trail, Ruidoso. Father John W. Penn, Rector. Sunday Eucharist: 8 & 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday: Daughters of King; noon; Eucharist & healing: 5:30 p.m.; Choir practice: 7 p.m.

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**Comerstone Church Comerstone Square, 613 Sudderth Drive, 257-9285. John & Joy Wyatt, Pastors. Sunday School, 9:45. Church, 10:30 a.m.; 6:30 p.m. with Children's Church Sun. Eve. Handicap Services 11 a.m. Wed. Leadership Class 6 p.m. & Prayer 7 p.m. Wed. Bible Study Adult 7 p.m. Thurs. and YOUTH, Thurs. 7 p.m.**  
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Timoteo Hill Jones, Pastor. Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.; Sunday worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible study: 7 p.m.

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Santa Rita Catholic Church  
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**EPISCOPAL**  
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**METHODIST**  
United Methodist Church Pariah  
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 (Mens) 6:30 pm; United Methodist Women Every 3rd Wed. 1:00 pm Fellowship Dinner 4th Sun. of month 12:30 pm.

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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.

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# Bill Longley and his Big Mouth, part 1

William Preston "Wild Bill" Longley was an extremely dangerous man, by anyone's standards. But not as dangerous as he, himself would have had everyone believe. Historian Rick Miller has accurately stated that "if ever a man talked himself into a hangman's noose, it was Bill Longley."



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The son of a veteran of the Texas Revolution, and the sixth of 10 children, Bill was born in Austin County on Oct. 6, 1851. He was raised on a farm near Evergreen, in Lee County, and grew into a young man over six feet, with black hair and high cheek bones. Many commented on his "small, piercing black eyes."

## Texas Reconstruction

Post-Civil War Reconstruction is a blot on American history to this day. All manner of "carpet-baggers," "scalawags," and other unethical opportunists flocked to the South to take advantage of the situation. It is difficult, at this late date, to truly imagine the feelings of Texans when they found that nearly all the local governments were run by Unionists or Union sympathizers. And when Governor Edmund Davis appointed freed slaves to the majority of positions in the Texas State Police, it became the most hated institution of them all.

As is usually the case, it was the young who were most up in arms about this state of affairs. Lacking the vision and wisdom of their parents, young men such as John Wesley Hardin and Bill Longley, both notable among many others, were not about to take this sitting down - and were accordingly armed and prepared for violence. In the case of John Wesley Hardin, there is some doubt that he started down this particular trail as a completely willing traveler. But in the case of Bill Longley, there is no doubt whatsoever. The two men's careers paralleled each other at least in a time line.

In mid-December of 1868 (Hardin's odyssey of death started several months earlier), Longley began his own

sleazy career. Three freedmen were riding south to visit friends and relatives when they had the poor luck to plan their trip through Evergreen. The trio was spotted by Longley and several of his "associates," all of whom could not help but notice the exceedingly fine mount that at least one of the men was riding.

Further down the road, after stopping the three black men, who were suspicious to say the least, Longley and his friends proposed a trade for one of the horses. The three men refused, and one of them ended paying with his life. As Longley and his companions opened fire on the man who was the most well-mounted, the other two took advantage of the distraction and galloped off. "Wild Bill" and his friends then made sure that the dead man had nothing further of value by going through his pockets.

No official charges were ever filed - a good indication of how concerned the citizens were with the death of a former slave - but the 17-year-old Longley was acutely aware of what would happen to him should military authorities, or for that matter, the State Police, catch up with him.

## Truth and fiction

Much of the fiction concerning Bill Longley was circulated by Longley himself. Always eager to make himself seem larger than life, Longley began concocting what was to become a long string of horse, uh, apples, as far as the truth went.

For starters, he claimed that after leaving Evergreen, he was captured by a "mob" that mistakenly thought Longley to be a member of the notorious Cullen Baker gang. He and another man were strung up on the spot, but, according to Longley, a bullet, delivered from the customary ragged volley that the lynch mobs made, cut the rope that held him and he plummeted to the ground. (If you believe that, I've got a bridge up in Brooklyn, for sale, cheap!)

Then, it gets even deeper. Longley then claimed that he joined the very same mob that was hanging with Cullen Baker - and became one of his chief lieutenants. This supposedly happened in early 1869. And riding with Cullen Baker in 1869 would have been

a good trick, as he was killed in January, a fact of which Longley was probably unaware when he concocted the story. Nevertheless, it has become one of the most famous and believed stories about Longley.

In actuality, Bill was still busy in south-central Texas. He and his brother-in-law, a man named John Wilson, were running around apparently killing every black person they could find. They killed one freedman and took his horses and then reportedly killed a black woman in their discriminating rampage. By March of 1870, the authorities had grown oh-so-weary of Longley and Wilson's depredations and had posted a \$1,000 reward for the pair, accurately describing them as murderers and horse thieves.

Two months later, in May of 1870, Longley was in Wyoming preparing, with others, to head into the Black Hills on a gold-hunting expedition. They started, but didn't get far when the military stopped them from entering the land of the Sioux. Finding himself penniless and with no prospects, Longley joined the army, enlisting for five years. His five-year hitch was shortened considerably when he deserted two weeks later. Of course, the army frowns on such behavior, so they pursued him, captured him and tried him for desertion.

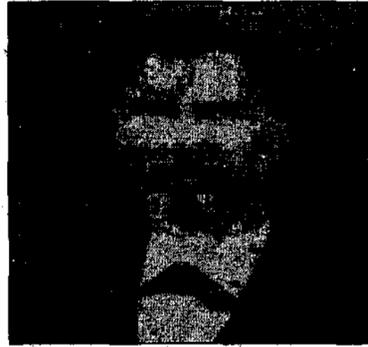
Sentenced to two years at hard labor, Longley had a 24-lb. ball and chain attached to his leg. However, by December of 1870, snow had gotten so heavy that the commander feared they might lose the prisoner and, taking pity on Longley, had him returned to duty. Recognized as an expert marksman, he became a regular member of military hunting parties.

One of his fellow G.I.s recalled Longley years later, and his description is far more accurate than Longley's own heroic depictions of himself: "... an idle boaster, a notorious liar and a man of low instincts and habits, but tolerated on account of his good nature, gift of gab, and excellent marksmanship."

In June of 1872, Longley deserted again and vanished into history until he was found up in Texas in February of 1873.

## Back to Texas

In February, it was reported that



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Bill Longley liked to brag.

Bill and some of his pals murdered a black man (if there was ever a reason for this killing, it has been lost to history) in Brown County. In July, he turned up in Bell County, visiting his parents in their new home, where he was seen carrying a pistol, which was illegal. A mere two weeks later, he was arrested in the company of a number of known horse thieves. Identified as being wanted for murder, Mason County Sheriff J.J. Finney took the prisoner to Austin, where he hoped to collect the reward that had been posted during Reconstruction by the military but which he now found had been retracted by the State of Texas. Disgusted, and possibly paid off by some of Longley's relatives, Finney simply let his prisoner go.

## Wilson Anderson

Around Christmas of 1874, the ever-mobile Longley, now in the company of his 15-year-old brother Jim, returned to the Evergreen area to visit his uncle Cale. When the Longley brothers arrived, they found that Cale Jr. had been killed recently by a boyhood friend of Bill's, Wilson Anderson.

While there is evidence to indicate that Cale Jr. had died accidentally, and despite the fact that his little brother tried to dissuade him, Longley was determined. On March 31, 1875, the Longley brothers rode over to the Anderson place, where they found Wilson working in the fields. First Longley announced to Anderson that he was going to kill him and then, without further ado, gave him both barrels

of the shotgun he was holding.

The Longleys rode north into the Indian Territory, but not for long. Teenaged Jim became homesick, and the duo was back in Texas in July. Bill soon departed yet again and Jim was eventually arrested for the murder of Wilson Anderson, for which he was acquitted. It was a killing that would return to haunt big brother Bill.

On the evening of Nov. 13, 1875, Longley was part of "a drunken fox-hunt" when he got into an altercation with a young fellow named George Thomas. Longley shot Thomas three times in the back. On the back of a stolen horse, Longley was on the run again.

## 1875-76

In late 1875 or possibly early 1876, Longley was involved in a gunfight, which, believe it or not, may have actually been a fair fight.

When Longley found that an associate - who also had something of a bad reputation - named Lou Shroyer, knew of his true identity (he had been using the name Jim Webb) and was planning on collecting the reward, Longley decided to strike first. Somehow managing to get himself deputized in an attempt to cloak the killing in legality, Longley and another "deputy" rode over to Shroyer's, inviting him to partake of some beef they were preparing to butcher. Shroyer accepted, but became suspicious and when his two companions seemed to be reaching for their guns, he put the spurs to his horse and raced off.

They shot his horse out from under him, but Shroyer was game. He put a bullet into the thigh of the third man, who hastily departed the scene. Shroyer was laying in some tall grass and supposedly called out to Longley that he wanted to parlay. When Longley advanced, Shroyer raised his weapon, and Longley killed him. It was a gunfight that Longley enjoyed speaking of until the end of his brief life. And the clock was running...

Next Week: Conclusion

SOURCES: *Boastful Bill Longley* by Rick Miller; *Encyclopedia of Western Gunfighters* by Bill O'Neal and *Dead Man on the Bayou* by Ted Waz.

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

Late registration for the Sixth Annual Run for the B.E.A.C.H. is from at 7:15 to 7:45 a.m. Saturday. An aerobic warm-up with Cathi McIntosh starts at 7:30 a.m. in the parking lot of McGary Studios, 2002 Sudderth Drive. The 5k (3.162 mi.) walk/run starts at 8 a.m.

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For more information on this event, visit [www.ruidoso.net/beach/](http://www.ruidoso.net/beach/). To make a donation, send a check to Run for the Beach, P.O. Box 271, Ruidoso, NM 88356 or e-mail [cranes@zianet.com](mailto:cranes@zianet.com).

### Chorale rehearsal

The first rehearsal of Musica New Mexico's Chorale is scheduled for 7:15 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 19. At least 16 singers are needed. Rehearsals are from 7:15 to 9:15 p.m. Thursdays. A concert date will

be scheduled later this fall. For more information, call Ugo DiDio at 257-4979.

### Capitan lecture

Capitan Public Library's First Friday Adult Lecture, set for 7 p.m. Oct. 4, will be by Greg Haussler of the U.S. Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Services in Lincoln County. He will discuss conservation activities in the county and explain how to participate in keeping the county beautiful.

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# On the rocks: Alaska cruise packed with nature, not people

Towering masses of ancient blue ice cracked off the pinnacled crystal facade of the massive glacier. Collapsing from the glacier's face and plummeting into the icy seawater, great slabs of ice sank far below the water's surface before rising again, a hundred feet or more into the air, throwing up a great wall of water and torrents of freezing, frothy spray.



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

Nearly a quarter mile separated our tiny inflatable skiff from the thunderous explosions and reverberating roar of Southeast Alaska's magnificent Sawyer Glacier. Harbor seals encircled us, resting nonchalantly atop house-sized icebergs.

Rolling in the swell of the crashing glacier, we cheered and clapped like spectators at a sporting event — in awe of the breathtaking act of nature taking place before us. Eventually the calving ended and we meandered

back between icebergs, plucking up polished bits of ice from the water to chill our evening cocktails.

Yesterday, in Juneau, we boarded the 105-foot, expedition yacht, Safari Spirit, with its gleaming brightwork, teak cabinetry and luxuriously outfitted salon, library, dining room and six spacious staterooms. The ship's friendly crew — Rod, Sara, Heather, April, Kristy and Vanessa — welcomed us aboard with hors d'oeuvres and champagne. Our 10 affable shipmates, all Americans, ranged in age from 30-something to 70-plus.

Cruising is the most popular way to see Alaska for good reason — it's available, comfortable and easy. With its 33,904 miles of shoreline, more than double the shoreline of the entire lower 48 states, Alaska is synonymous with the sea. Last year alone, approximately 690,648 people cruised

Alaska, a total exceeding the state's resident population. And those visitor numbers are growing quickly as boatloads of lower 48'ers venture north to the "last frontier."

That said, you can cruise Alaska without traveling in a crowd. While most people think the majority of ships carry 2,000-plus passengers, American Safari Cruises' fleet of three luxury yachts gets you out of the crowded ports with off-the-beaten-track itineraries. The yachts visit native villages, fishing towns, wildlife sanctuaries and other rarely visited spots where the mega ships simply can't go.

Our route through Alaska's Inside Passage, a 1,000-mile-long serpentine course through a jumbled mosaic of islands, is not new to marine traffic. In continuous use for several thousand years, the Inside Passage has seen Indians, explorers, fur traders, settlers, missionaries, anthropologists and now tourists from all over the globe.

In 1792 Captain George Vancouver's famous explorer ship, Discovery, arrived here, cramped and

smelly with 99 men, a dozen or so animals and a greenhouse aboard. Our elegant vessel, with its two-to-one passenger-to-crew ratio, was distinctly unlike Vancouver's crowded ship, but the watery wilderness outside our windows has changed little during the more than two centuries between our visits.

Life aboard Safari Spirit feels as though you've passed through some sort of time warp. Each day we lived in two contrasting environments. One was the civilized refinement of the yacht, with its cozy salon, its well-stocked bar and hot-tub-graced sundeck, climate-controlled staterooms including private baths with Jacuzzi tubs, televisions and VCRs.

As for meals — breakfast, lunch and dinner were haute cuisine and elegantly served.

On the other hand, the environment where we were taken each day — a world of sky and sea, clouds, fog-shrouded cliffs, impenetrable forests, wildlife, glaciers and icebergs — is a place where nature still exists untamed.

Upon boarding the Zodiac (the

small inflatable skiff used for exploration), we were suddenly and intimately at sea. Cast off into Alaska's Inside Passage, we entered a food-rich sea where gigantic creatures reign. The appearance of a whale was an impressive reminder of the powers below. While motoring slowly along remote coves, we searched for bear, eagles, whales, seals and sea lions. Silky-black, mirror-still water reflected the ochre, green and dark slenna woods along the shore.

To be continued next week.

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## THIS WEEK'S MOVIES

**Serving Sara**  
Comedy, 1 hr. 40 min.  
Rated PG-13 for crude humor, sexual content and language. When Sara (Elizabeth Hurley) is served divorce papers while she is in New York, she is stunned. Not about to lose the fortune she amassed with her self-serving Texas husband, she makes an offer to her process server, Joe (Matthew Perry) that sets them off on a wild trip across the country. Starring: Matthew Perry, Elizabeth Hurley, Bruce Campbell, Amy Adams, Vincent Pastore. Directed by: Reginald Hudlin, Reginald 'Reggie' Hudlin. Produced by: Dan Halsted. Written by: Jay Scherick, David Ronn. Showtimes: Noon\*, 2:30 p.m.\*, 5:15 p.m., 7:15 p.m., 9:30 p.m.\*  
\*Friday and Saturday only

**Blue Crush**  
Action/Adventure and Romance, 1 hr. 43 min.  
Rated PG-13 for sexual content, teen partying, language and a fight. Nothing gets between Anne Marie (Kate Bosworth) and her board. Living in a beach shack on Oahu with three roommates including her rebellious younger sister, she is up before dawn every morning to conquer the waves and count the days until the Pipe Masters surf competition. Working as a hotel maid to pay the bills, Anne Marie finds everything else she needs in the adrenaline-charged surf scene... until pro quarterback Matt Tollman (Matthew Davis) comes along. Like it or not, Anne Marie starts losing her balance — and finding it — as she falls for Matt. Starring: Kate Bosworth, Michelle Rodriguez, Matthew Davis, Mila Boorem, Sanaa Lata. Directed by: John Stockwell. Produced by: Brian Grazer, Karen Kehela. Written by: John Stockwell, Lizzy Weiss. Showtimes: 11:45 a.m.\*, 2:15 p.m.\*, 4:45 p.m., 7 p.m., 9:15 p.m.\*  
\*Friday and Saturday only

**City by the Sea**  
Drama, 1 hr. 48 min.  
Rated R for language, drug use and some violence. New York City homicide detective Vincent LaMara has forged a long and distinguished career in law enforcement,

making a name for himself as a man intensely committed to his work. But on his latest case, the stakes are higher for Vincent — the suspect he's investigating is his own son, Joey. Vincent and Joey have been painfully estranged ever since Vincent divorced Joey's mother and left the decaying boardwalks of Long Beach, Long Island for the anonymity of Manhattan and a successful career with the NYPD. The agonizing memory that has tortured him all his life — the death of his father, a convicted murderer who was executed when Vincent was just a boy — still plagues him. In the course of the investigation, he discovers that his own unresolved pain and failures as a father have deeply influenced Joey's life, and the destructive choices he has made. As a cop, Vincent must bring a criminal to justice; as a father he must find a way to save his son. Starring: Robert De Niro, Frances McDormand, James Franco, Eliza Dushku, William Forsythe. Directed by: Michael Caton-Jones. Produced by: Brad Grey, Elie Samaha, Michael Caton-Jones, Matthew Baer. Written by: Ken Hixon. Showtimes: 11:30 a.m.\*, 2 p.m.\*, 4:15 p.m., 6:45 p.m., 9 p.m.\*  
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Kate Bosworth in Universal's Blue Crush.

## FUN IN THE SHADE



SANDY SUGGITT/STAFF

Ralph Dunlap demonstrated his spinning wheels at the Fifth Annual Arts in the Orchard Festival at the Coe Ranch Sept. 7 in Glencoe. The event was a success, said Kathleen Phillips, one of the organizers.

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Eighty percent of Americans suffer from back ailments sometime during their lives that can, and often do, turn into a lengthy disability. Statistics indicate that back injuries are the leading cause of missed work in the U.S. In fact, back problems result in more lost workdays than the common cold! An injured employee has to take precious time off work to recuperate. When someone is a family breadwinner, even a short-term disability may cause economic hardship. Even more startling, half of all workers disabled by back injuries for more than six months never return to their place of employment.  
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# HOME & FAMILY

## GOING SOUTH

■ Scott Wells, whose ties to horse racing (and Ruidoso) run deep, has decided to accept a new challenge in Uruguay — renovating, opening and managing Maroñas, a racing facility that first opened its gates in 1888, and closed in 1997. It will have slot machines.



COURTESY SCOTT WELLS

BY DIANNE STALLINGS  
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Since leaving the Ruidoso Downs Race Track as general manager in 1999, Scott Wells has led a life tilted toward the exotic, and with his latest job he seems destined to continue in that direction.

In late August, Wells and wife, Mellyn, sold their horses at the All-American Thoroughbred sale at Ruidoso Downs and put their sprawling straw-bale home above Nogal up for sale.

They boarded an airplane for Texas Aug. 28 and from there were headed to Uruguay, where Wells will help reopen the Maroñas, a national historical monument and once a hub of racing in the South American country.

When Wells first left Ruidoso, he was hired by Lone Star Park in Dallas to help open the national race track of Mexico.

"Our partners in Mexico had partners in South America interested in getting the race track concession," he said. After a couple of years of intense competition, the group was selected for a 30-year management contract by the government of Uruguay.

"By the time the first renovation is completed, we will have \$24 million invested and when we're finished, about \$44 million," Wells said.

Racing shut down in the spectacular complex in 1997.

"It was sort of a theme of jockey clubs managing race tracks. That was OK when there was little competition for the entertainment dollar," Wells said. "But it takes more and more management skill to do it and break even, so they now are hiring race track managers, and Lone Star has a good reputation."

A subsidiary of Lone Star was formed to handle track management. Wells initially thought he would be acting as an adviser, spending 18 months to two years training someone to run the business in Uruguay for Lone Star.

"As I learned more and saw the challenges, I had a long talk with my wife and asked if she was willing

to relocate," he said. "She said yes, although we are attached to the friends and the home we have here."

Wells lived in Lincoln County for eight years before making the move to Mexico in 1999, and had visited Ruidoso since he was 10. He was general manager of the Ruidoso Downs Race Track and director of the annual Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium during many of the essential years of growth.

But he succumbed to lure of a new adventure and responsibilities.

Uruguay's capital city of Montevideo is home to 1.6 million of the small country's total population of 3.4 million.

About the size of Oklahoma, Uruguay lies on the east coast of South America, surrounded by Brazil to the north and Argentina to the west and south. It stretches 350 miles north to south and about 300 miles east to west, bordering on the Atlantic Ocean.

Despite hard times, in 1984, an elected civilian government replaced a military dictatorship. Because of subsidized health care and free education, the country boasts a literacy rate of more than 95 percent and life expectancy of 70 years.

The company will be managing Maroñas, a spectacular structure built in 1888.

"We have drawings and photographs from the earliest days," he said. "The portion we're remodeling was built in 1923 with all of the wealth evident at that time. I don't think you could rebuild it today for \$500 million. It has carved stone, marble, wrought iron."

The structure was declared a National Historical Monument, so the company must "jump through a rennovate hoops" to renovate. Portions will be enclosed for air-conditioning, but the architecture can't be changed without specific approval from the government.

However, the government also granted the company 2,000 slot machines to help fuel the racing purses. The machines will be located at five off-track betting parlors, Wells said.

Although the Maroñas closed in 1997, enthusiasts raced 10 years before that with no purses, he said.

"It's amazing because the Uruguay people have such a passion for racing that even without purses, the annual foal crop went up every year," Wells said. Most of the races were conducted at nine small, unofficial pari-mutuel tracks after Maroñas closed.

"We intend to become the simulcasting hub for all South American countries, and with our business plan I think we can pay bigger purses than any other track in South America," Wells said.

His experience with slot machines feeding the growth of purses in New Mexico helped him formulate the business plan, Wells said.

He compared the climate of Uruguay to Northern California, very mild with palm trees — but outside of the tropics.

"I've been there most of the winter and wore a light wind breaker while they were bundled up in parkas because to them it was cold," he said. "There's a huge beach area along the Rio de la Plata, which is 140 miles across at its widest point. Buenos Aires is on the other side."

The language is Castilian Spanish, which "took some getting used to," Wells said. He must have mastered it well enough, because he often is interviewed on television and radio there.

"Uruguay is going through a tough financial time and this is one of the few positives for its economy," Wells said of this latest venture.

When the company announced it was taking control of the track, 5,700 people lined up the first day for job applications, he said.

"The line was a mile long, but the people were patient. No one was rude," he said. "They are an incredibly friendly and cooperative people."



COURTESY SCOTT WELLS

Racing at Maroñas continued for 10 years, without purses, before the track closed in 1997.



DIANNE STALLINGS/STAFF

Scott Wells has had an impact on horse racing in New Mexico, California and Mexico. Now he's taking his skills to Uruguay, where he will reopen a historic national racing facility.

## looking back

LINCOLN COUNTY SCRAPBOOK

SEPT. 14, 1962

### Warriors skunk Grizzlies

A three-year-old Carrizozo winning streak was snapped last Friday night at the local football field when the Ruidoso Warriors marched over the hapless Grizzlies from down the hill to the tune of 25-0.

A sellout crowd of 1,100, one of the largest to view a football game in Ruidoso, watched the Warriors dominate the game...

The Warriors received only one injury when, in the fourth period, guard Mike Adams received what was first thought to be a concussion. Coach Ken Newton reported later that Adams had not received a concussion, but was kept in the hospital overnight for observation.

SEPT. 15, 1972

### Street improvements

Jack Kannady, village engineer, gave the program for the Ruidoso Rotary Club Tuesday. He discussed the paving project now being planned by the village of Ruidoso... He noted that the project will cost approximately \$450,000.

Bill Britton, manager of the Ruidoso branch of Roswell Savings and Loan Association, was inducted into the club by A.E. Hunt.

Guests at the meeting were Blaine Miller and Bunker Perryman, members of the Ruidoso High School football team.

SEPT. 16, 1982

### Water dominates council

CAPITAN — Starting with a measure to reduce water rates to out-of-town customers from three times the normal rate to one-and-a-half times... the Capitán council meeting Monday was dominated by water issues.

The longest debate occurred before the council refused to allow a group of six farmers living outside the village limits to hook up to the village water supply...

Mayor Don Stark said he believes the council should consider each request on its own merit, but there is a limit to the amount of water it can supply.

SEPT. 17, 1992

### Tax-saving shell game?

The public deserves less council bragging and more truth about tax cuts, according to Ruidoso Village Councilor Jerry Shaw.

Shaw said transferring airport bond money to the general fund to operate the village may not be illegal, but it's hardly a tax-saving device either.

## 'It's raining cats and dogs' ... and poodles



Art, Craft and Such

Following a rainstorm this is what I tell my art students, then I add, "I just stepped on a poodle (puddle)."

Familiar sayings are often used as part of our vocabulary. When we say, "It's raining cats and dogs," we are going back to the days when some of our ancestors believed that a storm was something far worse than a bit of bad weather.

"Sly as a fox" — Since earliest times the fox has symbolized craftiness. The fox is often pictured as full of tricks in Aesop's Fables.

"Grim like a Cheshire cat" — This expression was around 100 years

before "Alice in Wonderland" was written. Lewis Carroll gets the credit for making it popular. The most likely explanation is that cheese from Cheshire, England, was once sold molded into a shape that looked like a grinning cat.

"Let the cat out of the bag" — This expression and "pig in a poke" have the same origin. In England "poke" was the common name for a bag or sack. Swindlers at country fairs would put a cat in a poke, claiming it was a small pig they looked for someone who was simple enough to buy the "pig" without looking into the bag. A brighter person would grab

the bag and open it before the swindler could stop him. The cat would jump out of the bag.

The entire town is getting involved and working towards "Carrizozo Day" Oct. 19.

Traditional blessing of animals, animal parade, search and rescue demo, exotic large animal breeds, story telling for kids, kids art and essay exhibit, performing cats, animal trivia contest, Zozo Gallery animal art exhibit, Roswell Zoo reptile exhibit, Bosque del Apache slide show and much more are on the agenda.

Carrizozo art students in grades K

through five are drawing and painting animals that walk, crawl, slither, fly or gallop.

Animal devotee Donna Willoughby, on behalf of South By Southwest, has made available, via a discount and a sizable donation, a set of 15 art books.

The masters of art series, now part of the elementary art program, have hundreds of illustrations and many full-page color plates. The work of artists Marc Chagall, Henri de Toulouse-Lautrec, Leonardo da Vinci and Pablo Picasso show that any animal can be represented in many styles and media.