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Moon Mountain project nixed by state

Land Commissioner Ray Powell said he's with residents who don't like the project.

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Plans for a theme park and possible hotel complex on top of Moon Mountain in Ruidoso were rejected by the state Public Lands Office.

Officials with a Houston-based group, American's Christmas Village, announced a proposal for the development on several hundred acres of state

trust lands and were scheduled to lay out details during a meeting two months ago.

They canceled and, although village councilors asked that they reschedule, never appeared before the council.

State Rep. Dub Williams, a Republican from Glencoe, said Wednesday that after receiving letters and telephone calls from residents of the area that falls within the Extraterritorial Zone around the village, unanimously opposed to the proposal, he called the state to check on its status.

Part of the charge of the public lands

office is to maximize revenue from state lands to support the permanent fund that benefits schools. Land usually is leased, not sold.

Williams said he was told by State Lands Commissioner Ray Powell that the Houston company sent in an application for consideration. After a staff review, the application and the fees were returned to the company.

Powell has said he doesn't favor projects that are opposed by the host community.

Moon Mountain overlooks Cree Meadows Golf Course, Gavilan Canyon

and Paradise Canyon. Its lower levels are developed, but the ridge is state land. Delivery of water, construction of access roads and handling of septic waste were issues that worried village officials.

Patric Pearson, executive director of the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce, said last month that some people thought a theme park with rides was being proposed. Although a theme is part of the plan, no rides were envisioned, he said.

"All they're doing is looking at the village and other suitable areas," he said.

Councilor Bob Sterchi pointed out that the same firm proposed a similar development a few years ago in another Lincoln County location, but it never materialized.

In the 1950s, Moon Mountain was the site of a sky ride that traveled a two-mile round trip starting across from The Old Mill, going down to the river and back. The seats were mining buckets.

The ride opened in July 1952. Tickets were \$1.50. The short-lived enterprise was the brainchild of Carl DeBord, W.A. Hart, Carmon Phillips and Mrs. H. E. Carter.

Plenty of choices for voters Tuesday

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Lincoln County voters who didn't take advantage of the chance to fill out their ballots early will go to the polls Tuesday to add their numbers to a long list of races.

Starting with seats in the 2nd Congressional District and the U.S. Senate, they will work their way down through the governor and other state and legislative positions, retention votes for 12th Judicial District judges, two magistrate judge positions and county offices, including the clerk, the treasurer and three county commission seats.

Neighbors on the Mescalero Apache Reservation will have two elections to consider - the national, legislative, state and Otero County positions, and a local election for four seats on the Tribal Council.

Polling for the tribal election occurs from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the administration center on U.S. 70. Contenders for the two-year terms in four seats are Thora Walsh-Padilla, who heads natural resources protection for the tribe; incumbent Glenda Brusuelas; incumbent Alfred La Paz, former council member Larry Shosh; Albert Platta, former tribal grant

writer Carleton Natche-Palmer, incumbent Arthur "Butch" Blazer and former council member Christie La Paz.

Incumbent Oliver Enjady has challenged the validity of the primary election because the tribal election board refused to qualify him, although he previously ran successfully in 2000.

Two court dates on the issue were canceled. Another is scheduled this week, he said.

In Lincoln County, Tammie Maddox, interim county clerk who also is on the ballot as the Republican nominee for that position, is projecting a turnout of more than 50 percent of county's 12,762 eligible voters.

"If election day is anything like early and absentee voting, I think it will be a real good turnout, but being my first county election, it's hard for me to pick a number," she said. "We've had 25 percent of the voters who normally show up already vote early."

Maddox said because her name appears on the ballot in a contested race, she will not be involved in the actual inputting of vote numbers.

"I still will be in charge of the election, but I will only observe the actual inputting," she said.

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NO TRICKS, ALL TREATS



Aric Phillips, 5, and his sister, Karyssa, 4, check what sorts of treats they snared in Midtown Thursday afternoon

DIANNE STALLINGS/STAFF

U.S. 70 lawsuit delayed a week

Blasting to continue weekday afternoons

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A hearing date on a request for a preliminary injunction against the widening of U.S. 70 through Hondo Valley originally set for Nov. 13, was moved back to Nov. 20.

U.S. Magistrate Judge C. Leroy Hansen granted a motion for a continuance because of a scheduling conflict filed by Thomas L. Sansonetti, an assistant attorney general in the Environment and Natural Resources Division, U.S. Department of Justice.

The hearing was reset for 9 a.m., Nov. 20, in U.S. District Court in Albuquerque. The motion was unopposed by the plaintiff, the Valley Community Preservation Commission, which is suing Norman Mineta, Secretary of the U.S. Department of Transportation. The Hondo-based group contends a project assessment

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McKnight sworn in as new village manager, reports big revenues check

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
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Smiles all around as former village finance officer Lorri McKnight was sworn into her new position as Ruidoso village manager Tuesday.

McKnight joined the staff as head of finance in January 1997 and juggled two jobs since mid-August, serving as acting manager after Alan Briley left for another manager's position in Colorado.

Mayor Leon Eggleston said the entire board was involved in the personal interviews with applicants selected as finalists and he has heard many positive remarks from people in the community that they are pleased with the choice. A unanimous vote for confirmation showed the council's

backing.

"I think this is a new era," Councilor Bob Sterchi said. "I think the world of Lorri. This is a great day for Ruidoso. We have challenges, but this is a good council and we have a good manager."

"I think she has the support of department heads."

Sterchi said he'd like to see McKnight institute regular meetings of the council with department heads individually or two at a time to discuss council and department goals, projects and the general direction of the village.

Eggleston agreed with that idea.

Councilor Deborah Marcum-Byars said she can't go a week without spending at least a half-hour with McKnight already.

Although the contract was not part of

the motion, McKnight said it's her understanding it will follow the terms of Briley's employment with an annual agreement and starting salary of \$72,000.

Not long after slipping into her new roll, McKnight had some good news for the council about gross receipt tax revenues.

"We're four months into the fiscal year and have received \$2.6 million compared to \$2.5 million at the same time last year," she reported. The check received in October reflects activity in August. It totaled \$617,568 compared to \$516,668 in 2001.

While that's not a record - in 2000, the check hit an all-time high of \$760,000 - it still is substantially higher than other August checks since 1998, which fall into the \$500,000 range, she said.



Lorri McKnight, right, is sworn in as village manager by Irma Nava Tuesday.

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Turning trash into gold
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VAMONOS

Locals shine at Hubbard photographic contest

Lady Tigers through first round of tourney

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Look what people are saying about **BILL RICHARDSON** on page 4C
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GHOST TOWN

Ghouls, goblins and other characters strolled through Ruidoso Thursday, happily taking the treats offered to them.



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Above, Frankie Pirelli, age 2, of Ruidoso poses for a shot before impressing the next Midtown merchant with his Mickey Mouse costume Thursday. **Above left**, a group of trick-or-treaters and their parents make their way through Midtown, where several merchants were giving out candy Thursday. **At left**, White Mountain Intermediate School students dressed up as their favorite characters from literature for a Halloween costume contest Thursday sponsored and judged by the publications class. The winners are, from left: Legolas (Alex Levinson) from Lord of the Rings, Scarecrow (Whitney Rue) from The Wizard of Oz, Billy the Kid (James Sanchez) from Cowboys, Matt Eversman (Chel Pfeiffer) from Black Hawk Down, Ninja (Frederick Chavez) from The Three Ninjas, and Aunt Sponge (William Peña) from James and the Giant Peach.

Alamogordo benefit stars Caribbean band

Pan People Steelband from Atlanta, Georgia, with members from Trinidad, Antigua, the U.S. Virgin Islands and Tobago, will perform a benefit concert for the Boys and Girls Club of Alamogordo at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at the Flickinger. Tickets for \$10 can be purchased at Alamogordo Orthopaedics, Sports Medicine & Podiatry, Alamogordo Physical Therapy, Alamogordo Eye Clinic, The Boys and Girls Club of Alamogordo and 94 KYEE Radio.

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U.S. 70: Lawsuit gets delayed

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failed to properly analyze environmental, cultural and historical impacts.

While that drama plays out in court, construction on the 38-mile four-laning project running east of Ruidoso Downs to Riverside started last month by the Sierra Blanca Constructors team.

Lane closures for pavement test sampling will continue through November, says community relations liaison Mary Ann Wootton.

"Work also will continue on extending drainage culverts between Tinnie and Picacho and east of Riverside, requiring shoulder closures," she said.

Blasting on the project is planned between mile posts 285 to 289 and mileposts 300 to 303 Monday through Friday, except on Nov. 27-29 because of

the Thanksgiving holiday.

Blasting begins at about 1 p.m. and lasts up to one hour. During those periods, the highway will be closed in both directions at those locations, Wootton said.

To check the latest alerts on the project, call the U.S. 70 information Center hotline at 866-653-4069 or the Web site at www.us70hondovalley.com. Electronic signs also will be stationed on the road.

The next U.S. 70 Task Force meeting is set for 7 p.m., Nov. 21 at the Hondo Valley School complex. A meeting of the Billy the Kid National Scenic Byway Committee is set for 12:30 p.m., Nov. 21 at the Hubbard Museum of the American West in Ruidoso Downs.

VOTE: Ballot packed with candidates

FROM PAGE 1A

The number of people registered to vote in the general election represents an increase of 131, from the 10,650 eligible to vote in the Republican or Democratic June primaries.

The new total breaks down to 3,829 Democrats, 6,952 Republicans, 39 Green Party, 349 other minor parties and 1,593 independents.

Not casting a vote for retention of district court judges, who serve in the district covering the counties of Otero and Lincoln, is counted as a no vote, because the judges must receive 57 percent of the total election vote.

Contested county positions are:

• County Clerk, with Libertarian Susan Ruch and Republican Tammie Maddox, who currently is Ruidoso village clerk.

• County Treasurer, with Libertarian Norman Van Gorder against Republican Beverly Payne-Calaway, currently chief deputy treasurer.

• County Commission District 2, with Libertarian Antoinette Fontaine, Republican Maury St. John, a county planning commission member, and Democrat Mike

Runnels, planning director for the village of Ruidoso.

• County Commission, District 4, with Libertarian Weslie Owen, Republican Earl B. Hobbs and Democrat Darrel Stierwalt.

• County Commission, District 5, with Libertarian Bonnie Richardson, Republican incumbent Rick Simpson and Democrat Ralph Romero.

• Magistrate Judge, Division II, with Libertarian Tony Seno and incumbent William Butts, a Republican.

Richard Obergfell, chairman of the county Libertarian Party, is running against State Rep. Dub Williams, a Republican, in District 56. Doris Cherry, a Democrat, is pitted against State Rep. Dan Foley in District 57.

The only change in polling

places since the primary election in June will be for Ruidoso precincts, which all returned to the Ruidoso Convention Center to vote. Polls are open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Polling places are: Precinct 1, Corona Senior Citizens Center; 2A, Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo, 2B, Nogal Fire Station, 3A and 3B, Lincoln County Fair Building in Capitan; 4, Angus Church of the Nazarene on State Route 48; 5, Bonito Volunteer Fire Station on SR 48; 7A, 7B, 8A, 8B and 9 at the Ruidoso Convention Center; 10 and 11 at the Ruidoso Downs Senior Citizens Center; 12A at the San Patricio Senior Citizens Center; 12B, the Tinnie Volunteer Fire Station; 12C at the Capitan Volunteer Fire Station; 13 at the Carrizozo Municipal Schools.

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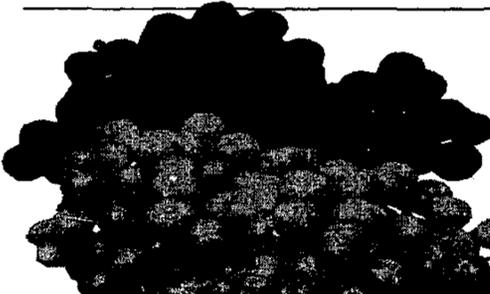
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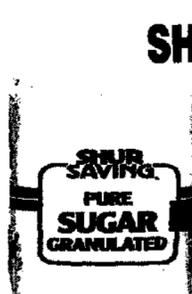
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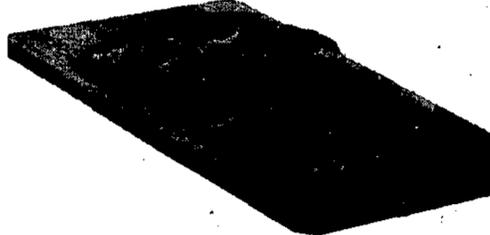
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OUR OPINION

Get out and do your electoral duty

The 2002 General Election is just five days away

Next Tuesday, thousands of Lincoln County residents who have not taken advantage of early or absentee voting will go to the polls — and be faced with a daunting list of candidates, bond issue proposals and constitutional amendments. Early voting ends Saturday.

As a small help, here are the candidates, and positions on questions, recommended by the *Ruidoso News* in recent editions:

U.S. Senate — Pete Domenici, the incumbent Republican, whose seniority and skills are necessary for another six years.

U.S. House, 2nd District — Steve Pearce, Republican from Hobbs, whose views seem best to reflect the people of southern New Mexico and the retiring Rep. Joe Skeen.

Governor — Bill Richardson, Democrat, probably the best prepared candidate ever to seek the office.

Secretary of State — Sharon Clahchichillage, Republican, whose support of election reform rings true.

Attorney General — Rob Perry, Republican and former corrections secretary, who would bring much-needed fresh air into this office.

Land Commissioner — State Sen. Patrick H. Lyons of

Cuervo, a well-educated rancher and long-time Republican legislator best trained for this rather technical office.

State Representative — District 56, incumbent Republican W. C. "Dub" Williams of Glencoe, and District 57, incumbent Republican Daniel Foley of Roswell.

Amendments — We support questions No. 1 and 2, raising the veterans' property tax exemption to \$4,000, and setting the minimum voting age at 18. The other seven aren't necessary.

Bond questions — We support Question A (\$10.8 million for state center improvements statewide), Question B (\$93.4 million for capital improvements in colleges and public schools), and Question C (\$16 million for books in state college, school and public libraries.) All would assist Lincoln County entities.

Candidates for some offices — Public Regulation Commission, State Board of Education, district, appeals and supreme court judges — were not interviewed, therefore no recommendations were made. Neither were in-county candidates.

Please, as the countdown to election quickens, make your decisions, then vote.

Very scrupulously grassroots, those YMCA supporters

Maybe it's because of those lists of candidates for election, shorter (but not much) lists of bond issue proposals and constitutional amendments I've been studying, but suddenly I'm pretty tired of the whole idea of lists.

So when I get a list of questions along with this time of year, my first guess is that maybe some candidate is getting clever.

Not this time: Tucked in the electricity bill envelope I opened this week was a flyer headed "Lincoln County YMCA." It turns out the list isn't for voting (well, not quite), but for surveying every man, woman and child among us about what we would like to see when, and if, a YMCA actually is established in the area.

Come to think about it (but not much), the idea of getting us disorganized little people involved with a survey falling right out of the electricity bill isn't bad. Up front, the flyer simply says to "Please give a few minutes to your community by responding to the survey... When completed, you can drop off the survey at your local grocery store... by Nov. 14, or mail to: Lincoln County Community Survey, P.O. Box 1483, Ruidoso, NM 88355."

All pretty straightforward,

right? And, my, how totally different from the strong-arm pitch of the prior Ruidoso village administration when all were insisting that a multi-million-dollar bond issue would get the perfect village recreation center, complete with indoor swimming pool and track, on some acreage near the White Mountain schools.

This effort looks pretty "grassroots" — until you start thinking about how scrupulously this questionnaire is designed, not only to give lots of information but to enlist your support (even as you read the string of (count them) 43 questions, plus an "other."

The last time I was faced with a list that long, some Marine sergeants were waiting with bated breath to see if my IQ was high enough to slog through the mud with an M1 rifle.

Basically, the survey wants to establish, "Does Lincoln County need a community facility and additional recreational and educational programs?"

All 43 questions are aimed at figuring out what each of us does in our spare time (is that an oxymoron?), where we do it, and how involved or interested we are.

Well, I read all 43 questions, and found out I didn't do any of them — not aerobic fitness nor gymnastics nor swimming nor weight lifting...

But I do know lots of people out there who do, and I think something like a YMCA would be neat, and I really, truly, appreciate that grassroots effort.



YOUR OPINION

Proof positive: New Mexico isn't so unintelligent

To the editor:

Columnist Dave Barry's recent article in the *Ruidoso News* reports that a publication, called the "Morgan Quitno Press," has printed an issue ranking the 50 states in order of intelligence.

New Mexico finished dead last! Of course, we never know to what extent Dave is kidding, but if there is such a thing as a Morgan Quitno Press, they, or it, failed to appreciate the fact that we are the only state in the Union that finds it expedient to fashion a license plate that specifically reads, New Mexico USA.

This is necessary so that when we travel by auto to any of the "smarter" 49 states, they will know that we are not from a foreign country.

For the State of New Mexico, I rest my case.

John Brinkman
Ruidoso

ent of both her courtesy and respect. I am certain that many who appreciate the sense of basic fairness and justice that Judge Parsons displays in her courtroom need to be reminded that their votes count, and is needed in the upcoming election...

Jan Holleman
Ruidoso

Inappropriate war bonnet

To the editor:

... I am a member of the Mescalero Apache Tribe and a Ruidoso High alum (1993-97). I have watched ... homecoming activities since, and have taken an active role in Ruidoso education and athletics. I am deeply disturbed that the Ruidoso school system continues to stereotype Native Americans. My one concern is placing a "war bonnet" on the RHS "King" (at Homecoming).

... In August 2001, the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights issued a statement that calls for an end to the use of Native American images and team names by non-native schools. The commission believes that the use of Native American images and nicknames in schools is insensitive and should be avoided.

Also, the commission wrote, "The stereotyping of any racial, ethnic, religious or other groups when promoted by our public educational institutions, teach all students that stereotyping of minority groups is acceptable, a dangerous lesson in a diverse society. Schools have a responsibility to educate their students; they should not use their influence to perpetuate misrepresentation of any culture or people..."

(Since then, resolutions have been made in North Carolina, Minnesota and

Iowa concerning the issue, as has the American Counseling Association.)

Although there is not currently any resolution in New Mexico (or in the) Ruidoso school system regarding the use of its Native American mascot itself, I feel that the Ruidoso school system needs to take the initiative to discontinue the use of the "war bonnet."

As a supporter of Ruidoso school principles, I felt that this school system will ultimately take into consideration its improper use of its homecoming activities, and be respectful of Native American issues and rights.

Pascal Enjady
Mescalero

Santa needs helpers

To the editor:

Hard to believe it is almost the holiday time again. Santa's Helpers is beginning to gear up for another busy season, helping the less fortunate and bringing smiles to the local children's faces on Christmas day.

At this time of year, we begin our search for help from local companies to enhance our efforts. We would appreciate any help you can give us with regard to donations of food, candy, wrapping supplies, money, etc.

Thank you in advance for your time and assistance with this matter. Your help this year would be greatly appreciated.

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STREET TALK

QUESTION: How does negative campaigning affect who you're going to vote for, or if you're going to vote?



"It makes me not want to vote. That's not what it's supposed to be about."

Miranda Valdez
Ruidoso



"It has no effect. It's a joke."

Rex Beatty
Ruidoso



"You just mudslinging. It's not mudslinging, it's telling the truth because they're spending all their time badmouthing instead of dealing with the issues."

Elaine Sienor
Ruidoso Downs

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Chief judge responds to suspension issue

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Responding to complaints by former Mescalero Apache judge Alta Branham about the administration's decision not to reappoint her, Chief Judge Sharon Begay and Tribal President Sara Misquez offered their perspectives last week.

"I made the decision to place Judge Branham on emergency, temporary suspension with pay because it was clear that she needed to take time from her judicial responsibilities to focus on a serious family issue," Begay said in a prepared statement issued through a tribal spokesman.

"That decision was in the best interest of the Tribal Court and of the Mescalero Apache Tribe.

"I will not discuss any of the other issues regarding the suspension or any other personnel issues, which are, for

good reason, confidential. Beyond that, Judge Branham's term expired and she was not reappointed."

Branham contends that Begay's actions are tied to her criticism of the chief judge last March, in which she claimed the tribe's per diem policy was violated.

Begay said, "Whether we like it or not, judges are held to a higher standard, and we should be. A judge's activities both on and off the bench reflect on the judge, the judiciary, the tribe and the community we serve.

"In that context, I would like to state that I have managed my administrative affairs carefully and correctly, especially in accordance with tribal travel policies. I invite the tribal council to inspect our records, which are on file in the tribal accounting department offices."

Branham, who has served in the judiciary since 1996, continues to try to arrange a hearing before the Tribal

Council in a bid for reappointment.

Misquez explained that tribal judges are appointed by the president and confirmed by the Tribal Council for two-year terms.

"Ms. Branham's two-year term expired. The decision not to reappoint her to another term was based on a personal evaluation that was conducted by the chief judge," Misquez said. "I concurred with the recommendation.... I discussed the appointment with the Tribal Council at a special meeting, when they voted unanimously to refer the issue back to the chief judge.

"I am unable to comment further on this situation because personnel matters are confidential."

The president said she and her administration don't want to interfere with the operation of the tribal court.

"I believe that this decision is in the best interests of the Tribe and the Tribal Court," she said.

RUIDOSO POLICE

Boom leads to bust

A Ruidoso police officer standing in front of the police station at 4:46 a.m. Oct. 28 heard what sounded like gunshot coming from a northbound vehicle on Mechem Drive. He and another officer got into a patrol car and caught up with the vehicle in the Farley's parking lot where the driver, George Randall Goodall, 32, of Ruidoso, admitted to throwing an M-80 (firecracker) from the vehicle.

Goodall was unable to complete a field sobriety test as instructed, so one of the officers began to put him in the back of the patrol car when a small brown vial with a powdery substance, which later tested to be cocaine, fell to the ground.

When asked to empty a small purse, passenger Ashley Brooke

Olsen, 22, of Ruidoso, turned over a small vial containing a powdery substance.

Both were arrested, tested at .08 blood alcohol content and charged with DWI and possession of a controlled substance. Magistrate Court Judge William R. Butts released them on their own recognizance.

Just hanging out?

Three arrests for minor allowing self to be served were made on Oct. 29 after an officer saw a female hanging out of a vehicle window heading east on Sudderth Drive in Midtown, and pursued them to Country Club Drive and North Street.

Police arrested Joshua D. Fondy, 20, of Ruidoso, and two females, ages 16 and 17. The Juvenile Probation Office was contacted for the minors.

Rural first responders offered cardiac grants

Staff with the New Mexico Department of Health are accepting grant applications for 55 automatic external defibrillators.

Through the Federal Rural Access to Emergency Devices Grant Program, the defibrillators are available for rural emergency medical services, other first responders and lay responders as part of the New Mexico Cardiac Arrest Targeted Response Program.

The quarter-million dollar grant also includes training for 1,100 first responders to help save the 397 New Mexicans who die each year from sudden cardiac arrest.

"This grant will help save people's lives," said health department Secretary Jack Callaghan. "Heart disease is the number one cause of death for New Mexicans. This grant will have a positive impact on addressing the needs of rural New Mexicans who suffer sudden cardiac arrest. We encourage those agencies interested to call for the eligibility criteria."

The most common form of heart attack is caused by ventricular fibrillation, an abnormal heart rhythm. Defibrillation is the only known therapy.

Without that therapy, a victim's chances of surviving the heart attack decrease by 7 percent to 10 percent for every minute that passes. After as little as 10 minutes, very few resuscitation attempts are successful.

In New Mexico, the leading cause of death is diseases of the heart. Nine people in the state die each day tied to heart disease. In rural areas, the survival rate of sudden cardiac arrest victims is very low because of the distances involved to reach medical care and emergency services. Placing the equipment with rural first responders is a priority of the grant, Callaghan said.

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BUSINESS

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Ellen Lucas joins real estate brokerage

Ellen Lucas, a Ruidoso resident since 1995, has joined A+ Realty Services as a Realtor, according to owner/broker Bill Hirschfeld.

The new Realtor's business career includes vice president of human resources for department stores in California, Ohio and New York. She was co-owner of Tama/Lucas Executive Search, a firm specializing in senior management retail search. She owned her own retail search and consulting business, Lucas Consulting. Most recently, in Ruidoso, she was gallery director for McGary Studios and director of membership and corporate development for the Hubbard Museum of the American West.

She is a director and secretary of Big Brothers/Big Sisters and on the community board of Lincoln County Medical Center and the board of the Carrizozo Health Clinic.

She served on the board and as membership chair of the Lincoln County Humane Society and prepares weekly local radio announcements highlighting adoptable

animals. She also is president of the Norwich & Norfolk Terrier Club of the United States.

Positive September

WASHINGTON - The market for existing single-family homes experienced rising activity in September as home buyers responded to lower mortgage interest rates, according to the National Association of Realtors.

Existing-home sales increased 1.9 percent to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 5.40 million unit, from an upwardly revised pace of 5.30 million units in August.

Last month's sales activity was 7.8 percent above the 5.01-million unit pace in September 2001.

David Lereah, NAR's chief economist, said a prolonged slide in mortgage interest rates culminated in rising sales activity. "Mortgage interest rates have been on a steady slide since April and reached new historic lows in September, contributing significantly to higher existing-home sales," he said.

The Economy and the Markets More troubles ahead

BY SUNG WON SOHN
CHIEF ECONOMIST, WELLS FARGO

Economic growth will drop to a depressed rate of about 1 percent during the current quarter from a robust pace of around 4 percent last period. Detroit is the primary vehicle sales are slowing.

Auto incentives are like anti-inflation; a stronger fix is needed to keep sales constant.

The lagged effect of the stock market crash on consumer spending is another reason. However, consumers have plenty of money in savings accounts. The Federal Reserve is expected to trim the interest rate again this year, reinvigorating the housing market and giving new life to refinancing activities. Defense spending will continue to be a source of strength. Inventories are building, and capital spending on equipment and software has bottomed.

However, there are too many uncertainties to be complacent. The holiday shopping season is expected to be lackluster. Shell-shocked by a series of body blows, businesses are reluctant to hire people and increase capital spending. If the economic baton doesn't pass from consumers to businesses, economic expansion will be modest at best. Iraq is a huge uncertainty adding to risk. The war could be more costly and last longer than the Gulf War.

Bonds: Corporates best

The massive exodus of funds from stocks to Treasuries, driven by fear, has slowed for now. Still, Treasury prices are too high or yields are too low.

Based on the long-term productivity of 3.5 percent and the inflation expectation of 2 percent, the equilibrium rate for the 10-year Treasury should be 5.5 percent instead of 4.17 percent today. If the Dow were at 10,000 instead of around 8,800, the 10-year yield would

be at 4.9 percent. Treasuries are one of the riskiest places to be at the moment.

Treasury yields have risen and the quality spreads of Corporates over Treasuries have shrunk.

A-rated Corporates to 10-year Treasuries, the spread has dipped to 1.43 today from 2.62 a month ago. Corporates continue to be attractive investments as we expect the yields as well as the spreads to fall further.

Lower rated Corporates with longer duration will do well. In the MBS market, rising mortgage rates should reduce the convexity or prepayment risk; higher coupon, seasoned securities will be relatively insulated from the risks.

Stocks: The bear lives

Remember the rallies after 9-11 (13 percent) and after the July crash precipitated by corporate shenanigans (29 percent), only to be disappointed again?

This could be one of those bear-market rallies. For example, there were six bear-market rallies during the 1974-82 bear market, the longest bear market during the post-war period, where the average price appreciation was 33 percent. The buy-and-hold strategy does not work very well in a bear market.

Seasonally, the months following September are good for stocks. In addition, recent earnings reports have been pleasantly surprises. For a change, Wall Street analysts have been revising their earnings forecasts up for the rest of the year.

Unlike previous recoveries, however, valuation is not cheap. Uncertainties, including geopolitical instability, abound. The Index of Leading Economic Indicators continues to decline. The Iraq issue will linger on. The strengths of the improved earnings have come primarily from cost cutting. Volume gains accompanied by rising margins are needed.

These are not there yet.

These are not investment recommendations. Consult your financial advisers.

BIOMASS

■ A demonstration by SBS Wood Shavings in Glencoe turns wood chips into electricity, and that small event might well light up the world while reducing the danger of wildfire.

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The lights clicked off at SBS Wood Shavings in Glencoe Tuesday, but quickly flickered back on — this time powered by a small biomass generator fueled by forest waste.

The demonstration attended by representatives of U.S. Sens. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., and Jeff Bingaman, D-N.M., State Forester Toby Martinez and officials from the co-sponsors of the pilot program, was eye-opening for Lincoln County officials and others who watched, said Sherry Barrow, who runs the operation with her husband, Glen Barrow.

"People said to me they finally realized the broader context and implications of systems throughout this nation and internationally," Sherry Barrow said Wednesday. "So much done in research stays on a document and we're showing the technology is here now in a real application. (County Commission Chairman) Rex Wilson said it could be used on a ranch and at schools. A village councilor asked about powering cars with it.

"This got people excited and hopeful about the prospects for the future. It makes sense to take waste and instead of paying for disposal, to produce something harmonious with the environment."

SBS is one of seven demonstration sites chosen to install and evaluate a modular biopower system called BioMax 15, a transportable, fully automated and environmentally friendly biopower system that uses forest residue to produce electricity and heat suitable for small enterprises, rural homes and schools.

"Small scale biopower technology holds tremendous opportunities for offsetting some local energy needs, using low-value forest thinning, and being an in-walves process operation capable of grid connection," Barrow said.

The couple's business turns out high-quality wood shaving bedding, using otherwise wasted small-diameter trees. The trees are the byproduct of forest thinning to reduce fire hazards and improve forest health around the county.

The demonstration sites are fast-tracking the technology to commercialization, Barrow said. The project is a cooperative effort of the U.S. Forest Service's Forest Products Laboratory, the U.S. Department of Energy's National Renewable Energy Laboratory and Community Power Corporation to demonstrate the use of small-scale bio-power

units to produce heat and power using wood chips.

Earlier in the month, the Barrows appeared at the County Commission meeting to report on the status of their business at the rural events center they lease from the county. The couple are in their sixth year of selling the bedding product.

"It's going well, but there is a time constraint of covering all the other areas and getting out to let people know we're here," she said. Once a source sees the product, they're sold on it. Because it contains no dust — the sawdust is removed and used to fire a drying machine for the shaved material — it is suitable for piglets and other animals who might suffer respiratory problems with other products on the market, she said.

The couple started construction work on the business on Dec. 27, 2001, and in less than a year turned out the first bags of the bedding.

"We're receiving much more attention than we ever dreamed," Sherry Barrow said. "We've been visited by (university representatives) from all over the nation, from Scandinavia and the Philippines. This month, we're featured briefly in New Mexico Business Journal and we will be in the November issue of New Mexico Magazine. American Forest magazine is doing a story in November."

Television and video crews also arrived in late October to film for the U.S. Department of Agriculture and other entities, he said. They were impressed and promised that the footage would bring even more national and international attention to the effort.

"We've got our heart and soul in this," Glen Barrow said. "It's been quite a challenge. ... We think we're winning the game."

"It's a challenge to get raw materials to the facility and to process them in a way that is economical. We've worked hard to develop a premium product. We have three full-time employees. We hope for four as soon as we can afford it. We're doing as much as we can ourselves. That's the economics of starting a business."

In reference to the BioMax 15 demonstration project, Barrow said, "The actual monetary gain for us probably will be zero, but we will help provide data on a



Sherry Barrow and SBS Wood Shavings' final product.

national and international basis to develop these kinds of systems."

Although pine is used exclusively now, he hopes to use juniper in the future and even salt cedar, a plant species being removed along waterways across the state.

"They want the data and they want the attention," he said. "We want to be a partner in that. It's aimed at small energy (renewable) production (to supplement non-renewable energy)."

Besides usefully disposing of the material thinned from lots, the Barrows said their business helps rural economic development by providing a market for those who cut the wood and by producing a shavings product, which also generates gross receipts for the county and brings in out-of-state dollars.

"I love the idea of sending what's considered forest waste to other states as a product that people want to buy instead of having to pay someone to dispose of it," Sherry Barrow said. Several local businesses also benefit from selling the product.

"Every time an acre of land is treated, more water is put into our aquifer and streams," Glen Barrow said. "That's the big picture win for all of us and we're just small part of it, if we succeed."

The Barrows said in the future, they hope to branch out into other products using material now lost to landfills, such as pine needles. Forest slash could be used to create pine bales for erosion control, he said.

"I tell people we want the junk. They can make lumber out of big wood," he said. "We want the fire hazard material that is piling up."

Sherry Barrow directed people to the Web site www.SBSwoodshavings.com to learn more about the treatment sites and thinning process, transportation, the production process and utilization, and marketing.

Focus on Agriculture

In search of the perfect apple

BY STEWART TRUelsen
AMERICAN FARM BUREAU

When Doug Shefelbine takes a bite out of a Honeycrisp apple, the crunch is deafening and echoes across the hills and down the valley of his La Crosse County, Wis., apple farm.

"That's only a mild exaggeration. The mottled red and yellow apple is best known for its crisp texture. It also lasts up to seven months in a refrigerator."

At harvest, Shefelbine walks through the orchard directing his small band of pickers and biting into apples as he goes. He's his own taste tester. Right now, Honeycrisp is his favorite apple, and why shouldn't it be? In Minneapolis, Honeycrisp is commanding three times the price of McIntosh, an old favorite.

The University of Minnesota developed Honey-

crisp in its apple-breeding program and licenses growers. Shefelbine says he would like to patent an apple of his own someday. He takes a bite out of a yellow apple from one of his seedlings and nods approvingly as though this might be the one. There are nearly 100 varieties of apples grown in 36 states, and it must be every grower's dream to find the perfect apple.

But the search for the perfect apple is taking a backseat to the search for better market and business conditions. "Help is getting harder to find so we are downsizing from 120 acres to about 50 acres of varying trees. And we want to do more retail, sell direct to the consumer," says Shefelbine.

The farm includes a small store and packinghouse where the help consists mostly of retired neighbors.

Doug's wife, Gale, also bakes apple turnovers for the

store and sorts apples on the production line. The critics of farm programs who say all the payments go to big operators obviously haven't been here.

This is a hard-working family operation that will receive some money under the Apple Market Loss Assistance Payment Program.

"Good prices would help a lot more. The last one (program payment) that I saw amounted to 25 cents a bushel for your crop that you harvested in those particular years," he says. He normally harvests 10,000 bushels so that would amount to around \$2,500. "It's better than nothing, but it's not going to make me decide whether or not to stay in the apple business."

The direct payments hardly come close to the losses sustained in marketing. Collectively, growers have suffered losses estimated at \$1.7 billion over the past five years, including \$700 million

alone in 2001.

If you ask Shefelbine how the industry is changing, the first word that comes to his mind is "China."

The U.S. is second in the world behind China in the production of apples. "They haven't got apples in the United States yet, but they did dump their juice concentrate in and killed our juice market," he says.

Other problems facing apple growers include increasing regulatory costs, retail food consolidation, stagnant domestic consumption, diminished export demand and global overproduction.

Despite the obstacles, the search for the perfect apple goes on because that's what American agriculture strives for — the best quality food.

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

Council lifts village hiring freeze

BY DANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A hiring freeze, put in place earlier in the year amid reports of dwindling financial reserves and rising expenses, defrosted in Ruidoso Tuesday.

Village councillors talked about hiring an assistant for new Village Manager Lorri McKnight and previously asked for figures on the cost of creating a new urban forestry department with an assistant for Rick Delaco. They also may need to fill a vacancy in the water department left by the departure of plant operator Ken Mosley, who recently was hired by the Ruidoso Downs city council.

Newly appointed Village Manager Lorri McKnight asked for guidance from the council, including whether some departments be exempt from the freeze, whether each situation be considered independently, what are current staffing levels, how have they changed over the last five years and what impact does a freeze have on services.

"My feeling is a hiring freeze means exactly what it says - no replacing," Mayor Leon Eggleston said.

But Councilor Ron Hardeman said, "We've experienced a number of resignations and I think it's unrealistic to think we're not going to hire

anyone." On a suggestion from Councilors L. Ray Nunley and Deborah Marcum-Byars, Hardeman offered a motion to rescind the hiring freeze and allow the new manager to decide on a case-by-case basis.

Byars said the board needs to define its priorities for department heads and McKnight to guide them in those decisions.

The motion passed with Nunley observing, "I think we told her basically to be tight."

The discussion followed a report by water department director Larry Grasmick, who recommended the village continue in Phase II water restrictions. The phase limits mechanical watering to one day a week, but shouldn't be a problem for anyone because of the season, he said. Once a booster station at the Hollywood well is back on line, he could recommend going down to Phase I, he said. In that phase, irrigation is allowed every other day. Hand watering always is permitted before 10 a.m. and after 3 p.m.

But Councilor Bob Starchi said, "Until I see a lot of snow, Phase I would be a hard sell." Grasmick said storage tanks

at Alto Crest are at 51 feet in depth. The maximum is 55 feet, but no water currently is being pumped to those tanks. He said the Hollywood booster, which will allow water to be moved to different sections of the town, if needed, should be on line in six to eight weeks, providing a main pumping system and two back-up pumps.

Grindstone Reservoir registers 69.04 feet compared to the historical high of 69.10 feet and the maximum of 69.18 feet, he said.

"We're using from 400,000 to 500,000 gallons a day from the reservoir, so we're not pulling it down very fast," he said.

Diversions are not occurring from the Ruidoso River, which is the source of water for the reservoir, because an automated diversion gate still isn't functioning properly, he said. The contractor and the village are working on different aspects of the problem.

Because of the situation with other water sources, the wells at North Fork have not been allowed to rest, he said. However, not much water is being pumped there.

McKnight reported that she

hasn't seen any update on the phosphorus removal requirement tied to the permit to operate the regional waste water plant shared by Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs.

Grasmick said with Mosley gone, he still has four level-four-certified water plant operators, but it will hurt the department if Mosley is not replaced because employees are on stand-by or working seven days a week.

In response to a follow-up question by Nunley about an unused well at the high school in need of repair before it could be tied in, Grasmick said it is not a priority unless directed by the council.

"My priority is a backup for the Cherokee well because it supplies a whole area of town," he said. "Once the Hollywood booster is working and we can move water to other places, I can look at the high school well."

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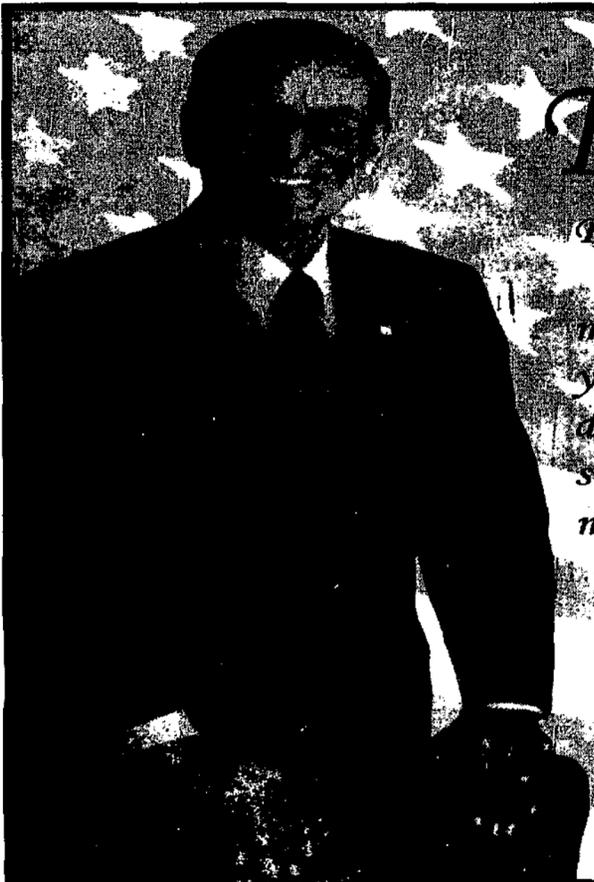
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'Miracle mule' stubborn after suffering injury

BY DANNIE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Whether Frances the mule survived by sheer stubbornness or she borrowed one of the nine lives of her owner's cat, she's now being called "The Miracle Mule."

Brian Newell, partner with Johnny Hughes in Elite Outfitters, said they've owned Frances for four or five years. She's a favorite of all the employees and one of the best mules for children to ride.

"She packs anything, she's easy going," he said last week.

Frances was in the rough wilderness of the Sacramento Mountains above Bonito Lake.

The client killed an elk and Graham split the carcass between the two pack mules.

"As they were taking them

out of the steep country, they were on a switch back that was part of a game trail," Newell said. "She must have stepped wrong and she fell on her butt — kind of sitting down. The guide was holding the lead rope, but he couldn't keep it and she fell back with her legs in the air down the side of the mountain (into a gully)."

"The guide went down and at first everything looked all right. But then he saw that a stick had pierced behind her shoulder by her heart. He pulled it out and she was gushing blood."

Graham thought there was no way to save her. He took her

load and halter off.

If he had packed a gun, he would have shot her to put her out of her pain, the guide later told Newell. He left her in the canyon and went back to camp.

"It's amazing that she was able to work her way out of that canyon..."

Brian Newell
Frances's owner

"He called me and said there was one chance in a billion that she was alive," Newell said. "He said, 'I tell you, she's dead.'"

Employees back at the camp took the news hard, said Karen Payton, who cooks for the hunting parties during the prime seasons.

Eighteen hours later, about 4 a.m. the next morning, wrangler Danny Moore heard a mule whinny outside his tent back at

camp. He went outside to take a look and it was Frances.

"He gave her grain and she grazed for a while," Newell said. "They led her out to the trail head five miles away and then drove her to the veterinarian, Becky Washburn.

"She told them Frances lost three gallons of blood and she couldn't believe she was still alive."

By the end of last week, Frances was in the Newell's barn, being given antibiotics and a mixture to rebuild her red

blood cell count.

"She looks good," Newell said. "She lost a little weight and is a bit swollen and sore, but it's amazing that she was able to work her way out of that canyon ... Danny's been calling her Saint Frances."

FUNERALS DEATHS

Lucy Reynolds

Visitation for Dulcinea "Lucy" Reynolds, 82, of Ruidoso will be from 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. today at LaGrone Funeral Chapel. A prayer vigil will be at 7:30 p.m. today at St. Eleanor's Catholic Church, where the funeral Mass will be at 11 a.m. on Saturday. Burial will follow at Forest Lawn Cemetery, with the Rev. Alfred Galvan officiating.

Mrs. Reynolds died Tuesday, Oct. 30, 2002, at her home.

She was born Oct. 20, 1920, in San Patricio, and lived in Lincoln County all her life.

She was a member of St. Eleanor's Catholic Church.

She married George Reynolds in San Patricio, and he preceded her in death on June 13, 1986.

She was a homemaker.

Survivors include sons Virgil Reynolds and his wife, Betty, Jerry Reynolds, Tommy Reynolds and his wife, Kaye, Frankie Reynolds and his wife,

Mickie, all of Ruidoso, Clyde Reynolds and his wife, Marisa, of Las Cruces; daughters Margie Rech and her fiancée, Randy Bouldin, of Ruidoso today at LaGrone Funeral Chapel. A prayer vigil will be at 7:30 p.m. today at St. Eleanor's Catholic Church, where the funeral Mass will be at 11 a.m. on Saturday. Burial will follow at Forest Lawn Cemetery, with the Rev. Alfred Galvan officiating.

She was preceded in death by a grandson.

Arrangements are under the direction of LaGrone Funeral Chapel of Ruidoso.

Grace Bridge

Funeral services for Grace Ann Bridge, 71, of Ruidoso will be at 2:30 p.m. Saturday at Resthaven Funeral Home Chapel in Lubbock, Texas, with burial to follow at Resthaven Memorial Park, and the Rev. Darren Skinner officiating.

Mrs. Bridge died Wednesday, Oct. 30, 2002, in Ruidoso.

She was born July 13, 1931, in Meadow, Texas.

She was very active with volunteer work with many organizations and retired in 1986 from Contal as an accountant specialist after 20 years in Andrews, Texas.

She moved to Ruidoso in 1986 and was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Andrews.

She married Bill Bridge on Sept. 29, 1951, in Morton, Texas.

Survivors include her husband, Bill, of Ruidoso; sons Mike Bridge, of Albuquerque, and Bill Bridge, of Hereford; a brother, Ford Hawkins, of Lubbock; a sister, Mary Del Watkins, of Midland, Texas; grandchildren Jared Bridge, Ashley Bridge, Tim Bridge and Megan Bridge; and several nieces and nephews.

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Proposed health office construction over budget

County commission wants state to cut square-footage from Ruidoso building

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Reporting on three proposed health care-related construction projects, Lincoln County Manager Tom Stewart said he was shocked at the most recent estimate for a new public health office in Ruidoso.

Renovations at the county-owned Carrizozo Health Clinic and for an ambulatory surgery wing at the county hospital in Ruidoso also are running over budget, but are less of a problem, he said.

Jim McNamara, projects coordinator, told county commissioners earlier this month that the latest figure for the new state Public Health office is \$750,000, or about \$150 per square foot for a 5,000-square-foot building.

"We're going to have to go back to the (district office of the health department) and take some square feet out of the project," he said.

Stewart said the price is about \$90,000 in excess of what was budgeted through a \$250,000 Community

Development Block Grant, a \$20,000 county match and \$491,880 from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

"Any extra would come from the general fund and we can't tolerate anything over the budget," Stewart said. "It's a Health and Human Services supervised project. Based on what Jim is telling me now, we need to go back to the state health department and say, 'You started out with a project that was 4,096 square feet and now you're up to 5,000 and you've got to cut or the state has to fork over the difference.'"

Chairman Rex Wilson and Stewart explained that the clinic is a state public health operation, although the county must provide space for the office. Wilson said the operation should be renamed to eliminate the confusion.

Stewart said state public health officials now use the county's substation next to the Ruidoso Public Library, and county commissioners hoped, by using grant money to build something new, space

would be freed up for county functions in the substation.

"They provide for the underprivileged, low income and all kinds of services the hospital wouldn't want to provide for, and they monitor the WIC (Women, Infants and Children) program, food for children, family planning," Commissioner L. Ray Nunley said. "Birth control pills there cost less than from a pharmacy because they are purchased on a state contract."

But Commissioner Leo Martinez said state officials seemed to have lost the original idea and are asking for twice the space as the sub-office.

"I'm not recommending we go this route," Stewart emphasized. "I say if it's over budget, we cut."

Stewart said, "These are estimates. I hope we have some hungry contractors out there who will help (bring down the cost and) compete for the project. We hope to get all three done at once for economy of scale."

While he's concerned that all three projects are running over budget, the other two have backup through the special property tax levy approved by voters for the hospital and the county's

three health clinics, Stewart said.

But Martinez interjected that just because the county has the special levy money, doesn't mean commissioners should tolerate the difference in price on any of the projects.

The hospital ambulatory surgery unit's latest estimate is \$766,000, about \$135 per square foot, including new construction and renovation. Stewart said while the budget was \$706,000, the county set aside \$800,000 from the special levy.

"There's a lot of contingency in there, \$59,100, and a \$65,000 location factor," Stewart said. "I'm comfortable having them there to paint worst-case picture now. My estimate is about \$50,000 over what I envisioned."

"I would not take a project to you without a 20 percent contingency," Gibson said. The figure the commission is looking at is "bricks and mortar - none of the things like lights, recovery beds and monitoring systems. I have another \$400,000 of equipment that goes into that project as well."

Expansion of the Carrizozo Health Center is estimated at \$317,000 or \$195 per square foot.

"We have an independent

estimator who prepared the numbers," McNamara said. "He has no stake in the project. He said what's driving the cost is that the job is relatively small and we don't think we have a contractor right here able to do the work. He will probably have to come from Roswell, Tularosa or Ruidoso, so there's a premium we're paying."

"I thought it would be closer to \$225,000. We're not

adding much to the building."

Health and Human Services also is overseeing the Carrizozo project because \$196,750 is coming from that source and \$82,240 from the special tax levy.

Stewart said \$51,900 was budgeted as a contingency and additional tax levy money is available.

"We're pretty much on track and we have the revenue to deal with it," he said.

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Officials ask bear hunters to show restraint

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

If past history is any indicator, this year, more than 1,540 mule deer, 400 elk and dozens of black bears will be killed in the three state hunting units that fall within Lincoln County.

While the local economy receives significant benefits from the hunt, officials with the state Game and Fish Department asked bear hunters to exercise some restraint this year.

Locally, bears didn't present much of a problem for the growing human population around Ruidoso compared to previous years. Years of drought may have depressed the birth rate. What bears were around seemed to disappear with the start of hunting season, said Ben Hansen with the Roswell Game and Fish office.

"I hope the lessening of problems reflects our efforts to educate people (not to feed the animals to prevent them from becoming nuisances) and to re-educate the bears," he said. Rubber bullets and other methods are employed to discourage bears from frequenting residential areas and dumpsters around Ruidoso.

Cecily M. Costello, project leader of the New Mexico Black Bear Study and with the Hornocker Wildlife Institute in Bozeman, Mont., concluded an eight-year study of New Mexico's black bear earlier this year.

She wrote that the bear population is not growing and intruding on humans, but the human influx is impacting bear habitat.

Researchers placed the state's black bear population in 2001 at 5,947. The largest distribution was in the Sangre

de Cristo Mountains with 2,299, followed by the San Juan Mountains with 1,651 and the Gila Wilderness with 1,047. The Zuni area population was figured at 147 and the Sandias with 123. The Sacramento Mountain population that includes Ruidoso was estimated at 506. The remaining four study areas together totaled 174 bears.

"There was a record number of bear killed last year, so this probably is no longer accurate," Costello said.

Hansen said three hunting units fall within Lincoln County. Unit 36 covers the White Mountain wilderness and around Ruidoso, Unit 37 includes the Capitan and Jicarilla mountains and the northern-most town of Corona falls within Unit 38.

The bag limit for bear increased to two per hunter, but the entire Sacramento Mountain range doesn't have a population that large, according to the researchers.

During a county commission in September, Roy Hayes, Southeast Area Supervisor of the game department, said 250 black bears died statewide last year by being hit on the road by vehicles or being killed because they were nuisances.

"That's why the Game Commission has started making reductions," he said.

Bear hunts this year include any type of bear except a mother with a cub, he said. Pursuit seasons to train dogs to hunt bear were dropped. Shooting is never allowed

within city limits.

The overall success rate for deer hunters last year was 20 percent with 7,067 licenses issued in the three Lincoln County hunting units for rifle, bow-and-arrow and muzzle-loader, Hansen said Tuesday.

Eight hundred licenses were issued this year for elk in Unit 36. Last year, rifle hunters in that unit took 50 percent of the number allowed and bow hunters turned in an extremely high success rate of 33 percent compared to 25 percent success rate for muzzle loaders, he said.

During the meeting with Hayes, County Commissioner Rick Simpson, who serves as a hunting guide, said he'd like to see a bear hunt simultaneously with a bow hunt on elk.

Several of his hunters were disappointed that they couldn't combine the two hunts on one visit to New Mexico, he said.

Simpson said bow hunters are some of the most ethical hunters and rely on stealth to

"I hope the lessening of problems reflects our efforts to educate people and re-educate the bears."
Ben Hansen
game official on the lower number of bear complaints

run down their prey.

"Their success rate is the lowest," he said. "They rely on rut seasons because the bigger bucks are more vulnerable during rut time. I'd like to see that considered also."

But Hayes said the commission wanted to eliminate harassment during the elk rut season and was concerned about a drop in the deer population around Corona from predators and drought. The number of elk licenses issued this year in Unit 36 was down slightly because the state wanted to maintain the herd in its current state around Ruidoso, he said.

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Commissioners list projects desired for Legislative funding

Emergency dispatch system improvements top county's wishlist.

By **PHANIE STALLINGS**
STAFF WRITER

An additional \$65,000 for continued improvement to Lincoln County's emergency dispatch communication system tops the list of projects for state Legislative funding, though the list is "evolving," said County Manager Tom Stewart.

In October, county commissioners reviewed projects sent to the legislature for possible appropriations during the 60-day session that starts in mid-November.

Next in line is a DWI off-housing and counseling facility. Stewart said the state has \$2 million from liquor taxes distributed to agencies and counties that are responsible for the treatment of alcoholics.

In concert with the local Ruidoso/Lincoln County DWI program, the county is asking \$156,000 to build an annex to the detention center in Ruidoso.

The annex would house DWI and other non-violent offenders, who have alcohol related offenses.

"About 6 percent of our detention center operations concern DWI related offenses," Stewart said. "After this initial construction, the county would like to suggest that \$100,000 from liquor taxes be allocated annually to the county and other counties in the state in proportionate amounts for the continued counseling and funding of rehabilitative programs. No money is available on the local level.

The renovation of the old jail at the county courthouse in Carrizozo will free up 30 percent of the administrative office space there.

"Since the county continues its rapid growth, this currently wasted space should be converted to office space as soon as possible," he said. The cost of gutting the building, disposing of the iron bars and starting the renovation was estimated at \$105,000. No local money is available.

He provides a detailed budget to go with the requests, he told commissioners.

Commissioner L. Ray

Nunley said he doubted that would cover what's needed. Stewart agreed the project would be divided into phases.

He's trying to whittle down all appropriations by the end of December to put the county into a better position to ask for more money from the legislature in January. One of the two still left is completion of fair-ground improvements, with about \$8,000 remaining that could be used for lighting or ventilation.

The commission has until December to finalize the list.

Under other legislative requests in the order of priority, are:

- Moving forward with definitive action on the future of historic Fort Stanton. Stewart noted that the county forfeited a \$44,000 economic development grant because state agencies pleaded they were overworked on other projects. A study completed last year recommended that a lead agency in state government take the role of developing and implementing potential uses for the fort 13 miles northeast of Ruidoso.

"There is a precedent in state statutes for establishing a

Fort Stanton Commission, similar to the Cumbres and Toltec Railroad Commission," Stewart said. Operating with a dedicated budget, the commission could provide the focus needed, he said.

"I see this as a next step under a new governor," he said.

- For the legislature to review the formula for distribution of the Small Claims Assistance Fund. Stewart said of the \$4.4 million designated for small counties this year, \$2.7 million reverted to the general fund. Lincoln County was one of eight of the 20 eligible counties that received no money. He proposed that more of the small counties should receive between \$100,000 to \$200,000 each year as was intended by the act.

- Asking for help in paying for the housing of some state agencies by counties, as proposed in a House Joint Memorial.

In Lincoln County, Stewart estimated the burden at more than \$100,000 per year for the district attorney, the Department of Health and the Juvenile Probation Office. He reminded the legislature that

the county is using a grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and a Community Block Development Grant, plus a \$20,000 county match to build a new state health clinic for \$761,880.

- County support for the incorporation of several regional plans into a statewide water conservation and regulation program. He asked for legislative backing of State Engineer Tom Turney's efforts to conserve the state's water.

- Asking the legislature to pass through to counties more of the money paid as part of insurance premiums to improve fire protection. He said 60 percent of the money reverted to the state's general fund

every year. "Our rural departments need help," he said. Stewart also asked that the state consider incentives to fire departments for improving their insurance ratings.

- Amending the state statute to give county commissions the same authority as the state fire board to restrict the use of fireworks during period of extreme drought.

- Asking the legislature to adopt regulations through state statutes to hold software programmers liable for their errors in the work they perform.

- Consider increasing the \$5 reimbursements for members of county road review committees, which are limited by a 1905 state statute.

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Berger is a family and consumer sciences major at New Mexico State University. Howard is employed by J.R. Hale Contracting in Albuquerque.

Haller-Martin

Dustin Mark Martin of Capitan and Alicia Marie Haller of Buffalo, N.Y., have announced plans to be married on Jan. 12, 2003.



Alicia Haller and Dustin Martin

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- Oct. 7, 2002, a son, Quenton than Dane Begaye, to tessa Evans, 5 lb., 10 oz., 19"
- Oct. 8, 2002, a daughter, tumn LeAnn Yocom, to ather and Christopher om, 7 lb., 13.8 oz., 20 1/4"
- Oct. 8, 2002, a son, Samuel iam Chino, to Brenna and l Chino, 7 lb., 10.8 oz., 20"
- Oct. 9, 2002, twins, a daughter Maria Isabel Gamez

Gallegos, 6lb, 7.8 oz, 20 1/4", and a son Jose Angel Gamez Gallegos, 5 lb., 10.6 oz, 19", to Minerva and Jose Gallegos.

Oct. 10, 2002, a daughter, Hana Laneigh Torres, to Rebecca and Louis Torres, 8 lb, 8.5 oz, 21"

Oct. 11, 2002, a son, Luciano Marcello Gutierrez, to Jessica Sanchez and Chuck Gutierrez, 7 lb, 14.3 oz, 21 3/4"

Oct. 12, 2002, a son, Cameron Bryce Kernohan, to Carol and Sean Kernohan, 6 lb, 3.8 oz, 19"

Oct. 15, 2002, a son, Kadence Forest Atole-Eshbi, to Tonia Atole and Frederick Eshbi-Yuzos, 7 lb, 3.4 oz, 19 1/2"

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Firefighter trial gets under way

Three Downs firefighters are being prosecuted for charges from last year.

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Opening statements and testimony started Tuesday in the trial of three firefighters accused of accepting payment from the city of Ruidoso Downs without delivering the services.

The trial is expected to continue into next week.

Former fire chief Nick Hererra, 29, volunteer deputy fire chief Don Smith, 54, and firefighter Jimmy Smith, 29, were indicted by the grand jury in October 2001.

Hererra is charged with 10 counts of making or permitting false public vouchers and 11 counts of paying or receiving public money for services not rendered. The vouchers were submitted from Feb. 9, 1999 to March 8, 2000, according to court documents.

Don Smith is charged with 11 counts of paying or receiving public money for services not rendered and Jimmy Smith with 10 counts for submitting vouchers or being paid for services not rendered.

A spokesman for the 12th Judicial District in Carrizozo said the jury for the trial was selected late Monday. Judge Karen Parsons rejected a

motion to sever the charges into three separate cases and the men are being tried together.

Defense attorney J. Robert Beauvais contends Ruidoso Downs officials created a situation where three people out of a group that received the same money are being treated differently. The ones who protested, left the department and were critical of the village are being criminally prosecuted. About a dozen others who remained on the volunteer fire fighting force were untouched, he said.

A small claims court action against the men by the Ruidoso Downs Council and their counter federal lawsuit against the city still are pending.

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Three county teams facing big tests near end of season

BY TODD FUQUA
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

OK, let's be real, here. The winner of tonight's game between Ruidoso and Lovington — both 1-0 in District 4-3A — won't have sewn up the district title, but they will have solidified a spot in this year's Class 3A playoffs.

And each team still has a very good shot at the playoffs — or even the district title — even if they do lose.

But don't think either side is thinking about losing.

"Basically, it's for the lead in the district race," said Lovington coach Speedy Faith. "It's for all the marbles, that makes it really big."

The Wildcats (6-2 overall) have been in their share of big games over the years, and have more often than not come out on top. That makes this game — scheduled for a 7 p.m. start at Horton Stadium — that much larger for the Warriors.

But Ruidoso coach Ridge Bowden said his team is more than ready to take the field against Lovington. "This will be an old-fashioned rivalry," Bowden said. "We've been there, and we can do it. The pressure's really not on us."

The Warriors are 4-4 on the year, but the record is a bit deceiving. Ruidoso has lost games to Robertson, Silver and Deming by four points or less,

while Moriarty was trailing the Warriors into the fourth quarter before scoring 24 points to win that contest 45-21.

Likewise, Lovington hasn't had the easiest of seasons, losing their first two games of the year. They've won six in a row, but some games — such as a 15-14 win over Goddard — have been uncomfortably close.

One such win came last

week against Portales. The Wildcats needed an interception in their own endzone to preserve the 29-22 victory.

"I knew we were going to start off slow because of our inexperience, but we hoped we'd get things going by district," Faith said. "We still need to improve, though — we didn't play our best against Portales."

That's a fact not lost on Bowden, but he also knows

Lovington — as always — is an explosive team because of their speed.

Quarterback Caden Jameson has 620 yards on 115 carries — a little more than 100 more than Ruidoso play caller Josh Adams. He has also passed the ball 117 with 47 completions for 979 yards.

Fullback Freddie Ornales and Chris Anderson have each

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side line

Prep Scores

Tuesday, Oct. 29
Volleyball
District 5-2A Tournament
Capitan d. Lordsburg, 3-0
District 7-1A Tournament
Carrizozo d. Corona, 3-0
District 8-1A Tournament
Hondo d. Mesalero, 3-1

Prep Standings

Area Football Standings		
District 4-3A		
	Overall	District
Lovington	6-2	1-0
Ruidoso	4-4	1-0
Portales	4-4	0-1
NAMI	4-4	0-1

District 4-1A		
	Overall	District
Capitan-y	3-6	2-0
Hagerman	3-6	0-1
Cloudcroft	3-6	0-1

y-Clinched district championship

Preps on Tap

Friday, Nov. 1
Football
Lovington at Ruidoso, 7 p.m.
Capitan at Mesalero, 7 p.m.
Cross Country
Ruidoso in District 4-3A meet at RHS, 3 p.m.
Mesalero in District 6-1A/2A meet at Mesalero, 10 a.m.

Saturday, Nov. 2
Volleyball
District 4-3A Tournament
Ruidoso/Lovington winner at Portales
District 5-2A Tournament
Championship game at Hatch, 6 p.m.
District 7-1A Tournament
Championship game at Mountainair
District 8-1A Tournament
Championship game at Tatum
Girls Soccer
Ruidoso at St. Michael's in Region A playoff, 2 p.m.

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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.skiapache.com or call 505-336-4356.

Capitan tries to stay focused versus Chiefs

BY TODD FUQUA
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Capitan has a district championship. Now it's smooth sailing until their first Class 1A playoff game in two weeks, right?

Wrong!
The Tigers (3-6) still have one more regular-season game to play, and Capitan coach Ed Davis does not want to overlook Mesalero tonight at 7 p.m.

"All we're worried about is Mesalero, not the following week," Davis emphasized. "This doesn't have anything to do with the district title, we're approaching it like any other game."

That's a sound approach, particularly against a team like the Chiefs (1-7) who dropped a 32-0 decision to

Cloudcroft last week after playing a solid first half.

Both Davis and Mesalero coach Rodney Wright agree the Chiefs could give Capitan a bad surprise if things fall just right.

"In the first half (against Cloudcroft) we probably played the best we have all year," Wright said. "We were missing some key players until then, and having them back really helped us physically and emotionally."
This is the first year the Chiefs have been in Class 1A after a few years playing six-man ball. They'll have played all three of the District 4-1A teams — they faced Hagerman two weeks ago — in preparation of being a district member next year.

Wright said this was a dress

rehearsal for next year, and wanted those teams to know Mesalero is for real at this level.

"Our goal is to be competitive, we've approached every game this year as a real district game," Wright said. "Most haven't had much respect for us, but that's fine by me. We've got the skill and will jump up and surprise some people."

Davis agrees with that sentiment, and doesn't want a loss one week before starting the playoffs.

"We're still working on maintaining our concentration," Davis said. "The kids have been pretty excited through

the week. They know they're in the playoffs, but they also know they still have to keep their heads screwed on straight."

Capitan knows they have at least one more game after tonight, while the Chiefs' season comes to an end. But Wright said he's excited about the prospects for next season, given he'll have 28 lettermen returning next year.

But even he isn't looking too far ahead.

"We're not going to lay down and die for people," Wright said. "If they're going to beat us, they'll have to work to beat us. They'd better be ready to play."



Sheldon Moor, center, drives up field following a catch for Capitan against Hagerman Friday, Oct. 25. The Tigers close out the regular season tonight at Mesalero at 7 p.m.

TODD FUQUA/STAFF

Lady Tigers advance in 5-2A tournament

The Lady Tigers swept Lordsburg a third time to face Tularosa Thursday.

BY TODD FUQUA
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

CAPITAN — Big flashy light shows and loud music haven't been the norm when introducing local volleyball teams this season, but Capitan got the royal treatment Tuesday against Lordsburg in the first round of the District 5-2A tournament.

The Lady Tigers came out amidst a thundering soundtrack into a darkened — but rocking — Traylor Gymnasium and gave the local fans what they came for, a three-game sweep and the promise of one more home game.

"The whole reason for that light show thing was to make it bigger and better here," said Capitan coach Sherry Gowen. "If they can overcome this, going to a regional and state game won't be like it was tonight. I wanted to get them through it now."

Capitan got through it, all right, beating the Lady Mavericks 15-13, 15-4, 15-9 to earn the right to face Tularosa in the second round.

The Capitan/Tularosa match was played Thursday, with the winner advancing to the championship Saturday at Hatch at 6 p.m.

The Lady Tigers won Tuesday's match like they had won most games this season, finishing up Lordsburg in three games. It hasn't been that way all year, though, and

it almost wasn't that way against the Lady Mavericks. Capitan (16-4 after Tuesday) found themselves down 4-1 early in the first game, making numerous unforced errors and looking somewhat out of synch.

The slow start wasn't too surprising, as the Lady Tigers were without starter Candle Turner to an injury and Gowen was forced to use a number of players at unfamiliar positions.

"Turner has a pulled tendon, so she's been off the past four days," Gowen said. "There were some girls out there who didn't usually play front row, and I didn't substitute as much. That's going to have an effect."

The effect wasn't too devastating, as the Lady Tigers eventually tied the game at 4-4 on an ace serve by Melissa Becker and extended their lead with kills by Stephanie Kelsey and Jessica Becker.

Lordsburg (3-14) wouldn't go quietly, eventually tying the game again at 12-12, but the Lady Tigers held off that charge and got the win.

Game two again saw Capitan fall behind early, but they tied it at 2-2, then outscored the Lady Mavericks 13-2 to close out the game. The Lady Tigers were again led at the net by Jessica Becker, who joined Jessica Tully-Mitchell in leading the team with five kills each.

The third game was much the same story as the second, and excepting the occasional rotation problem, won it with relative ease.

"Volleyball is a game in which you have to know the girl next to you like the back of your hand," Gowen said. "That one rotation, we were a bit off on. Once we got Candle back, everything should be fine."



Jessica Becker, left, shows why her nickname is "Bruster," crushing a ball past Lordsburg defender Michelle Alvarez Tuesday during the first round of the District 5-2A tournament. Capitan beat Tularosa in the second round Thursday.

TODD FUQUA/STAFF

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McViegh steps down as coach, 'Zozo girls keep on in district

BY TODD FUQUA
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

The Carrizozo volleyball team lost in their final regular-season match against Mountainair last Saturday, putting them in the second seed in the District 7-1A tournament.

But before that match took place, the Lady Grizzlies were hit with a loss of a different kind.

Head coach Bill McViegh, who had led the team to a 13-4 record thus far that season, stepped down due to medical reasons shortly following the

team's win over Bosque Prep. In his place, Carrizozo basketball coach Mel Holland has taken over the direction of the team, but is still realistic about who knows more about the sport of volleyball.

"We're just trying to get them to regroup," Holland said. "I can teach team-work, but I don't know the basics very well."

Holland has brought in former Capitan coach Ron Becker on a volunteer basis, and relies heavily on assistant coach Mandy Baca, who has been with

the team all year. "Mandy knows about the rotations and stuff like that," Holland said. "We've had a real positive response and are staying focused."

Carrizozo wasn't focused enough to defeat Mountainair — falling in three games — but they did have what it took to beat Corona in the first round of the district tournament and faced Temple Baptist in the second round Thursday at Carrizozo.

If the Lady Grizzlies (14-5

after Tuesday) could win that match, they would travel to Mountainair for the district championship on Saturday.

Holland realizes stepping into the head coaching position this late in the season can be jarring, but stated it could have been worse.

"We have the talent, we just have to get the chemistry together and move the team forward," Holland said. "Bill did a great job of coaching. He taught the basics well and really turned this program around."

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contributed more than 300 yards rushing, while Jared MacMahan has caught 15 passes for 423 yards.

Of course, the Warriors have given opponents fits as well. Adams has 517 yards rushing to lead a quartet of Ruidoso players — Casey Mirau, Tim Lucero, Steven Stroup and Tyler Line — each of whom can carry the ball well.

What's more, Adams leads the state in passing with 1,047 yards, while Chance

Hooper has 628 yards receiving. Add another 313 receiving yards on the year by Stroup, and you've got a very potent offense.

"They actually have a little stronger passing game than us," Bowden said of Lovington. "You couldn't tell by the stats, though — they have some big play capabilities. Jameson has the kind of talent that allows him to turn bad plays into big plays."

"Portales is a good team, and we were

fortunate to come out on top," said Faith. "Ruidoso is very similar, both have good quarterbacks and a good defense."

Just how good Ruidoso is will be determined tonight. And if the Warriors can pull off a victory, Bowden has no illusions about how Ruidoso stacks up against the rest of the state.

"If you get out of this district into the playoffs, you know your chances are pretty good," Bowden said. "You've had to prepare so much for the best in the state."

Capitan squads finish successful seasons

A pair of Capitan teams recently finished their seasons in fine fashion.

The Tiger middle school football team ended a season which saw them lose only one game, while the Tiger junior varsity volleyball team completed a District 5-2A championship year.

The Lady Tiger JV was 13-3 overall and 6-2 in district play, led into battle by coach Christel Dalton-Griego and assistant Susi Gibbs.

Members of the squad were Anna Hail, Ashley Garcia, Erika DeSantis, Betsy Hobbs, Alyx Sheehy, Roxie Hall, Lauren Schade, Brittany Mark, Catherine Wood, Brittany Adcock, Ralynne Stanbrough and Nicole Murtaugh.

Almost undefeated.

The 7th and 8th-graders playing for Capitan's football program also had a stellar

year, going 6-1 on the season, including wins over Mescalero, Hagerman, Cloudcroft and the Ruidoso Middle School white team.

Coaches Rusty Wilcox and Mike Rogers led 38 total players on the field this year, including: 7th-graders — Bobby Coleman, Robert Dean, Matt Desantis, Deidrich Dutcher, Teke Eldridge, Jay Dee Herd, William Kern, Aaron Kotila, Nick McCullough, Brett McInnes, Cory Montes, Lorren Montgomery, Charlie Parker, Cody Patterson, Donovan Romero, Ethan Talbot, Brian Taylor, Travis Toler, Cutter Whipple, Chad Williams and Mike Wilson.

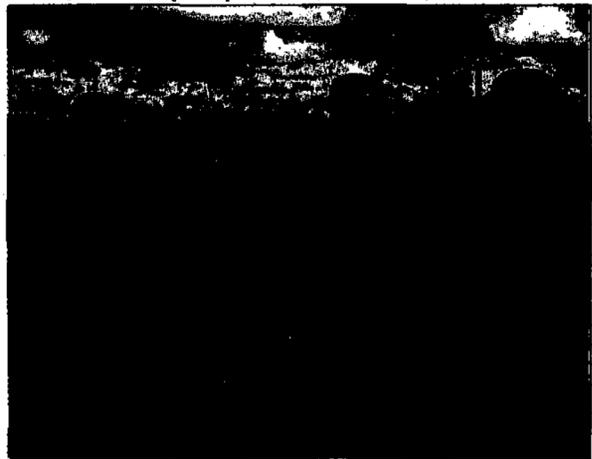
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Aces Lucky Duck wins

ALBUQUERQUE — Aces Lucky Duck, a 2-year-old sorrel stallion owned by Kirk Natzke of San Patricio, took first place in the \$87,740 New Mexico State Fair Senior Futurity at the New Mexico State Fair.

Aces Lucky Duck, ridden by Tom Green and trained by Carroll Hopper, covered the 400-yard race in a time of 19.515. The top finishers for the race were Aces Lucky Duck, Deans Honor Roll, Crashed My Dooley, Paradigm Shift and Major Le Hare.

STATE-BOUND



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The Ruidoso girls golf team recently completed their most successful fall season ever, competing in five events and earning a qualifying score in all five. The performance ensures the Lady Warriors a spot in the Class 1A/3A state tournament. This is the first time the Ruidoso girls have qualified during the abbreviated fall season. Pictured at a tournament in El Paso are, left to right, Kelly Rigsby, Lee Anne Henson, Landree Siddens, coach Les Carter, Jennifer Canella and Courtney Gibson.

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County fringe benefits adjusted to fit IRS rules

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Lincoln County's per diem and mileage reimbursement method was modified after officials learned Internal Revenue Service agents are going around the state "educating" local governments on the taxation of fringe benefits.

County Manager Tom Stewart is handling the changes administratively. But he told commissioners at a meeting last month that the practice of paying for meals that don't extend the duty day more than two hours must be changed and that they had to decide on what method to use for taxing employees for the use of vehicles taken home at night.

"Send a copy to our legislative delegation and ask if they voted for this stupid thing," Commissioner William Schwettmann said.

Stewart said he's talked to officials from other counties and, "They're scratching their heads."

"Just don't do anything and let them try to collect the damn thing," Schwettmann said. "This is ridiculous. My God, what sounds like a (Democratic U.S. Senator) Ted Kennedy

thing." Stewart said, "Meals paid for by the county during non-overnight travel are taxable benefits that must be recorded as taxable income unless the payment specifically extends the duty day of the employee."

The county's claim form allows employees to claim per diem when they're 35 miles away from their duty station without regard to the length of the duty day, he said.

No change in policy was needed, although he revised the claim form.

"Claims have typically been submitted by detention officers in transport and the impact of the change should not be widely felt by the employees," Stewart said.

However, the use of a county vehicle by on-call employees is a taxable benefit if they use it to commute or the vehicle is not specifically used for law enforcement or fire duty or designed for extraordinary duties, he said.

The options include:

- To require the employee to turn in a log book, accruing a taxable benefit of 36.5 cents per mile when commuting to work. The rule can't be used for a vehicle if the value is more than \$15,400

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William Schwettmann
county commissioner

- Using a vehicle log to show the percentage of personal mileage, which then is applied to the cost of a lease of the vehicle and fuel costs.

- To assess \$3 per round trip, per day as a commuting fee. The county policy approved March 15, 2000,

appears to meet the criteria that the vehicle not be used for personal errands. It doesn't apply to elected officials, but can be used for employees earning less than \$90,000 a year.

No one in the county earns as much as \$90,000.

No log is required and work-days assume the use of the vehicle in that manner unless otherwise reported on time sheets. The county periodically has to compute the benefit, place it on payroll records, charge the employee taxes on the benefit

and match social security and Medicare payments, Stewart explained.

"It's the staff's opinion that the commuting rule would be the simplest way to apply IRS desires," Stewart said.

Law enforcement and emergency services and specially-equipped pickup trucks used by the road department would be

exempt. The county manager and the county assessor primarily would be affected.

In other business, the commission took no action on a request for the county to join SPIRIT 54, an advocacy group for the four-laning of U.S. 54 through four states. Dues would be about \$970 annually based on a population of 19,411.

Commissioner L. Ray Nunley suggested instead that each commissioner join as an individual, which would cost \$25 out of their own pockets.

County Attorney Alan Morel said for the county to join as an entity, it would need an agreement outlining the services to be received for the annual dues.

Cleanup committee wins state award

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
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The village's Keep Ruidoso Clean Committee won first place in the Governor's Community Achievement Award for its size category.

Susan Lutterman, committee chairman, told the village council Tuesday that she received word that day of the award from New Mexico Clean and Beautiful. Awards will be presented at 1:30 p.m., Nov. 14 in the state Capital building.

Ellen "Buzz" Bizzell said, "They're out there picking up trash like everyone else at this event. It wouldn't happen without them."

Lutterman returned the compliment, saying Bizzell and her crew lend their muscle, trucks, good attitudes and smiles to the effort.

Lutterman said the Trek for Trash campaign of Gov. Gary Johnson was a success in Ruidoso Sept. 28, when 35 people collected 144 bags of debris along Mechem Drive. A fourth grade class followed up with another 17 bags from Farley's restaurant to the White Mountain School complex.

BLM creates woodland management group

A Forest and Woodland Management Group was created to oversee the management of 55 million acres of forest and woodlands.

Kathleen Clarke, director of the Bureau of Land Management, announced the action last month during a meeting of the Society of the American Foresters' National convention in North Carolina.

The new group, formerly part of the BLM's existing Fish, Wildlife and Forests group, will focus on restoring the health of the estimated 12 million acres identified as in need.

"This new realignment puts us in a better position (to restore the health)," Clark said. "The group will implement restoration treatments that will make BLM managed rest lands more resilient to disturbances such as fire, insect infestation or disease. While these activities will also produce hazardous fuels, they

will, at the same time, provide employment opportunities for private individuals."

The group is expected to add national emphasis to the bureau's implementation issues surrounding the Northwest Forest Plan aimed at balancing the protection of old-growth forests and a predictable and sustainable level of timber harvest on federal lands in the Pacific Northwest.

Bureau employees now treat about 66,000 acres a year through mechanical thinning, selective harvest, reforestation and prescribed burning. The new group initially will focus on accelerating the number of acres treated over the next five years as part of the president's healthy Forests Initiative and the National Fire Plan.

The group also will emphasize commercial timber production as authorized under the Northwest Forest Plan and the use of forest health treatment by-products for commercial

uses. Members will develop policy and guidance as well as national strategic goals and priorities across 12 western states and Alaska.

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1985 CHEVY 3/4 ton, 350 engine, low miles. New tires, mufflers. Back, tool-box. Very dependable. \$3900 OBO 257-1777 or 420-7607

1992 DODGE 3/4 ton, 360 automatic, new paint. AM/FM Stereo. Low miles. Excellent condition. \$4400 OBO 257-1777 or 420-7507

'99 GMC SLT 271, 51K miles. 4WD, automatic, leather, CD player, new tires, white/charcoal interior. Excellent condition. Ruidoso 464-6402 or 257-0173

FOR SALE 1986 DODGE RAM CHARGER 2-WHEEL DRIVE RED AND WHITE \$1500 OBO 257-1440

36 FOOT gooseneck, enclosed cargo/car trailer. \$7500 OBO. Call at 257-7575 or see at Village Furniture

1992 CHEVY Van V-6 Good Condition. 132,000 miles \$4800. 4 Toyota truck chrome wheels \$75 OBO. Se habla Espanol. 336-7752

1978 ITASKA MOTOR Home, generator 80K miles. 254 chevy. \$3500 or trade for truck or van 258-3892 or 420-3675

#5297 4T (10)30 (11)1,6.8 LEGAL NOTICE Ordinance #2002-06 An Ordinance Adopting the Captain, New Mexico Village Code

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Governing body of the Village of Capitlan, will discuss during a public hearing on Tuesday, December 30th, 2002, 6:00 PM, proposed ordinance 2002-06 concerning adopting the Captain, New Mexico Village Code.

This ordinance will be considered for adoption at the Regular Meeting following of the Village of Capitlan Board of Trustees on December 10th, 2002, 7:00 PM. Copies of the proposed Ordinance may be picked up at Village Hall, 114 Lincoln Avenue, Capitlan, NM 88316.

Ms/Kathryn Griffin Village Clerk-Treasurer Village of Capitlan #5299 4T (10)30,(11)1,6.8 LEGAL NOTICE

CONTRACTING FOR LEGAL SERVICES FOR THE 2002-2003 FISCAL YEAR NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that proposals for contracting of legal services for the 2002-2003 fiscal year will be received by the Village of Capitlan Governing Body, P.O. Box 24, Capitlan, New Mexico, 88316 until Friday, November 22, 2002, 4:00 p.m. RFP's for said services are available at the Village of Capitlan, (505) 354-2247. Any proposals received after the above-mentioned date and time will be retained unopened.

The Village of Capitlan Governing Body will review and evaluate proposals in accordance to and make their final determination during their regular meeting to be held on Tuesday, December 10th, 7:00 p.m., Village Hall Building, Capitlan, NM 88316.

The Village of Capitlan reserves the right to accept and/or reject all or any part of any proposal, waive minor technicalities and award the proposal to best serve the interest of the Village of Capitlan.

Ms/Kathryn Griffin Village Clerk-Treasurer Village of Capitlan

HELP WANTED

LEGAL NOTICE

#5237 4T (10)11, 18, 25 (11) LEGAL NOTICE CITY OF RUIDOSO DOWNS SPECIAL ELECTION RESOLUTION NO. 2002-18

Be it resolved by the governing body of the City of Ruidoso Downs that:

A. A special municipal election shall be held on Tuesday, December 10, 2002 for the purpose of considering the adoption of a Municipal Infrastructure Gross Receipts Tax Ordinance. Polls will open at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M.

B. The following question shall be submitted to the qualified, registered electors of the City of Ruidoso Downs:

"Should the City of Ruidoso Downs adopt a Municipal Infrastructure Gross Receipts Tax Ordinance imposing an excise tax equal to one-eighth (1/8th) of the gross receipts reported or required to be reported by all persons engaged in business in the City of Ruidoso Downs, with revenues from the tax to be used for municipal purposes for Water and/or Wastewater Capital Infrastructure Improvements?"

C. Precincts 10, 11 and a portion of 8 are consolidated for the special municipal election.

D. The following location is designated as polling place for the conduct of the special municipal election:

1. Voters in consolidated Precincts 10, 11 and a portion of 8 shall vote at Ruidoso Downs City Hall Hubbard Room, 122 Downs Drive, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico.

E. Absentee Voting. Any qualified elector of the City of Ruidoso Downs shall obtain only his or her application for an absentee ballot, only from the office of the Municipal Clerk. All applications for an absentee ballot must be completed and accepted by the Municipal Clerk prior to 5:00 P.M. December 5, 2002. After 5:00 P.M. or December 5, 2002, all unused absentee ballots will be publicly destroyed by the Municipal Clerk. The Municipal Clerk will accept completed absentee ballots delivered by mail or in person by the voter casting the absentee ballot, until 7:00 P.M. on December 10, 2002.

F. Early Voting. Early voting will be conducted in the office of the Municipal Clerk, during the regular hours and days of business, Monday through Friday. Early voting will begin on Wednesday, November 20, 2002 and will close at 5:00 P.M. on Friday, December 6, 2002.

G. Persons desiring to register to vote at the special municipal election, must register with the County Clerk of Lincoln County not later than Tuesday, November 12, 2002 by 5:00 P.M., the date on which the County Clerk will close the registration book.

H. The casting of votes by qualified municipal electors shall be recorded on voting machines.

I. The casting of votes by qualified municipal electors who are voting early shall be recorded on voting machines.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this day of September, 2002. Ms/ CAROL VIRDEN, CITY CLERK APPROVED AS TO FORM: Ms/ DANIEL BRYANT, CITY ATTORNEY #5238 4T (10)11, 18, 25 (11) LEGAL NOTICE LA CIUDAD DE RUIDOSO DOWNS RESOLUCION DE LA ELECCION ESPECIAL NUMERO RESOLUCION 2002-18

Se ha recibido por el cuerpo directivo de la Ciudad de Ruidoso Downs esto:

A. Una sesion municipal especial sera celebrada el martes, el 10 de Septiembre de 2002 para el proposito de acordar la adopcion de una infraestructura

CONTRA "La Ciudad de Ruidoso Downs adopta una Infraestructura Municipal Recibos Brutos Tasaaran la ordenanza que impone un impuesto de los impuestos indirectos iguala a uno octavo de uno por ciento (1/8th %) de los recibos brutos informados o requerido a ser informado por todas personas comprometidas en el negocio en la Ciudad de Ruidoso Downs, con rentas del impuesto para ser usado para propósitos municipales para el Agua y/o Wastewater las Mejoras Principales de la Infraestructura?" C. Las zonas 10, 11 y una porción de 8 son consolidados para la elección municipal especial. D. La ubicación siguiente se designa como centro electoral para el conducto de la elección municipal especial:

1. Los votantes en Zonas consolidadas 10, 11 y una porción de 8 votarán en Ruidoso Downs. La Habitación de municipalidad Hubbard, 122 Abajo la Campaña, Ruidoso Downs, nuevo México. E. Votar de ausente. Algun elector calificado de la Ciudad de Ruidoso Downs obtendrá sólo su aplicación para una votación de ausente, sólo de la oficina del Empleado Municipal. Todas aplicaciones para una votación de ausente se deben completar y deben ser aceptadas por el Empleado Municipal antes de 5:00 DE LA TARDE el 5 de diciembre de 2002. Después que 5:00 DE LA TARDE en el 5 de diciembre de 2002, todas votaciones nuevas de ausente serán destruidas públicamente por el Empleado Municipal. El Empleado Municipal aceptará las votaciones completadas de ausente entregadas por el correo o en la persona por el votante que lanza la votación de ausente hasta 7:00 DE LA TARDE en el 10 de diciembre de 2002. F. Votar temprano. Votar temprano se conducirá en la oficina del Empleado Municipal, durante las horas y días regulares del negocio y días regulares por viernes. Votar temprano comenzará el miércoles, el 20 de noviembre de 2002 y cerrará en 5:00 DE LA TARDE el viernes el 6 de diciembre de 2002. G. Las personas que desean de registrar para votar en la elección municipal especial, debe registrar con el Empleado de Condado de Condado de Lincoln no luego que martes, el 12 de noviembre de 2002 por 5:00 DE LA TARDE, la fecha en que el Empleado de Condado cerrará el libro de matrícula. H. El lanzar de votos por electores municipales calificados será registrado a votar máquinas. I. El lanzar de votos por electores municipales calificados que votan será registrado temprano a votar máquinas. PASADO, APROBO Y ADOPTIVO 24th día de September, 2002. Ms/ BOB A. MILLER AL CALDE ATÉSTIQUE: Ms/ CAROL VIRDEN, ES-CRIBANA MUNICIPAL APROBO para FORMAR COMIO: Ms/ DANIEL BRYANT, ABOGADO de CIUDAD #5293 4T (10)25(11)1,6,8 LEGAL NOTICE TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF WELMA TURNER, deceased PB 02-33 DV|| NOTICE TO CREDITORS To all persons interested

LEGAL NOTICE

Municipal la Ordenanza Bruta del Impuesto de Recibos. Los sonidos abrirán en 7:00 DE LA MAÑANA y cercano en 7:00 DE LA TARDE.

B. La pregunta siguiente será sometida a los electores calificado y registrado de la Ciudad de Ruidoso Downs:

La etiqueta de la votación estará un substancialmente la forma siguiente: PARA

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LEGAL NOTICE
 In the Estate of Velma Turner, decedent, the undersigned Springfield Trust Company, Springfield, Missouri, is acting as Trustee under a Trust, the terms of which provide that the debts of the decedent may be paid by the Trustee upon receipt of proper proof thereof. The address of the Trustee is: 1906 East Battlefield Road, Springfield, MO 65804

All creditors of the decedent are notified to present their claims to the undersigned within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this notice or be forever barred pursuant to Section 458.610.RSMo 1994

SPRINGFIELD TRUST COMPANY
 /s/ Richard A. Hawthorne
 Carol Pyles, Trust Officer
 1906 East Battlefield
 Springfield MO 65804

#5298 4T(10)30,(11)1,6,8

Legal Notice
 Ordinance #2002-07
 An Ordinance for the Approval or Disapproval of Issuance of a Beer and Wine License for the Greenhouse Cafe, 103 South Lincoln Avenue

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Governing Body of the Village of Capitán, will discuss during a public hearing on Tuesday, December 10th, 2002, 6:30 p.m., proposed Ordinance 2002-07 concerning the approval or disapproval of issuance of a beer and wine license for the Greenhouse Cafe, 103 South Lincoln Avenue.

This ordinance will then be considered for adoption at the Regular Meeting following of the Village of Capitán Board of Trustees on December 10th, 2002, 7:00 p.m. Copies of the proposed Ordinance may be picked up at Village Hall, 114 Lincoln Avenue, Capitán, NM 88316

/s/Kathryn Griffin
 Village Clerk-Treasurer
 Village of Capitán

#5307 1T(11)1

LEGAL NOTICE
MEETING
EXTRATERRITORIAL
ZONING BOARD
CITY OF RUIDOSO
DOWN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, due to the November 11th holiday, the Extraterritorial Zoning Board has rescheduled their regular meeting to Thursday, November 7, 2002 at 3:30 p.m. at the City of Ruidoso Downs Hubbard Room, 122 Downs Drive, Ruidoso Downs, N.M.

Agenda will be posted in accordance with Resolution 2002-06, Twenty-Four hours prior to meeting date. Meetings are open to the public.

If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing or meeting, please contact the City of Ruidoso Downs Hall at least one week prior to meeting or as soon as possible.

/s/Carol Virden, CMC
 City Clerk

#5300 1T(11)1

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF INVITATION TO SUBMIT BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that competitive sealed bids will be received by the Capitán Municipal Schools at the Administration Building, PO Box 278 Capitán, NM 88316, until 2:00 P.M. Tuesday, November 12, 2002 at which time and place the bids will be opened and publicly read aloud. Bids not received by the time and date indicated above will not be accepted for consideration and will be returned unopened. The Superintendent prior to a final recommendation to the Board will review all bids.

LEGAL NOTICE
 Salas of School Vehicle Sealed Bid
 The district is requesting bids for the sale of a 1988 Chevrolet S-10 pickup, 80,508 miles, V-8, automatic with utility bed. Vehicle is available for inspection of Capitán Municipal Schools, contact the Office of the Superintendent, Capitán Municipal Schools Administration Building or by calling 505-354-2239 to make and appointment.

All bids must be clearly marked on the outside of the sealed envelope. The sealed envelope shall have the notation "Sealed Vehicle Bid" on the outside.

The Capitán Board of Education will review the bids and make their final determination during the regular 6:00 P.M. Board meeting on November 14, 2002 at the Capitán Municipal Schools, Administration Building.

The Capitán Municipal Schools reserve the right to accept or reject all or any part of the bid, waive minor technicalities and award the bid to best serve the interests of the Capitán Municipal Schools.

#5308 4T(11)1,8,16,22

LEGAL NOTICE
 TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT
 COUNTY OF LINCOLN
 STATE OF NEW MEXICO

LOYD GRAHAM MACK- EY, JR., ANN MACK- EY WILLIAMS, and KAY MACK- EY TOM,
 Plaintiffs,

vs.
THE ESTATES OF LLOYD GRAHAM MACK- EY, Sr. and ELSIE LEE MACK- EY,
 Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT
 CV-02-226
 Division III

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT

TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF THE ESTATES OF LLOYD GRAHAM MACK- EY, Sr. and ELSIE LEE MACK- EY, AND ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS OF INTEREST IN THE PREMISES ADVERSE TO THE PLAINTIFFS

GREETINGS:
 YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that there has been filed in the District Court of Lincoln County, State of New Mexico, a certain cause of action wherein Lloyd Graham Mackey, Jr., Ann Mackey Williams, and Kay Mackey Tom are the plaintiff and you are defendants, the same being Cause No. CV-02-226, Division III.

The object and purpose of the said suit is to quiet title of the following described real property in the name of the plaintiffs:

Lot 13, Block C, CENTRAL SUBDIVISION, Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, less and accepting the following described portion of said lot 13:

Beginning at the northeast corner of said Lot 13; thence southerly along the east boundary of said Lot 13 a distance of 14.04 feet; thence westerly a distance of 20.27 feet; thence northerly parallel to the east boundary of said Lot 13 a distance of 14.04 feet to the north boundary of said Lot 13; thence S 89 degrees 27' E along the north boundary of said Lot 13 a distance of 20.27 feet

to the said place of beginning and containing 0.0985 acres (284.5 square feet), more or less.

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that unless you enter your appearance or file pleadings herein on or before January 1, 2003, the plaintiffs will make application to the Court for a Decree by Default, and Decree by Default will be rendered against you as prayed for in the complaint.

The name of the plaintiffs attorney is Richard A. Hawthorne, P.A., Richard A. Hawthorne, and whose address is 1221 Mechem, Suite 2, Ruidoso, New Mexico, 88345.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico this 25th day of October, 2002.

CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT
 By: Mickie L. Vega
 DEPUTY

#5309 4T(11)1, 8, 15, 22

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-02-195

LONG BEACH MORTGAGE COMPANY,
 Plaintiff,

vs.
DAVID R. CHAVEZ aka DAVID CHAVEZ NEW MEXICO EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE FOUNDATION, DAVID A. CHAVEZ, VANDERBUKT MORTGAGE & FIN., THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN, TAXATION AND REVENUE DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO, JOHN DOE and JANE DOE,
 Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT
 STATE OF NEW MEXICO to the above-named Defendant(s).

GREETINGS:
 You are hereby notified that the above-named Plaintiff has filed a civil action against you in the above-entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on property located at MM 282-75 Highway 70, in the City of San Patricio, County of Lincoln, New Mexico, more particularly described in the Complaint in said cause. Unless you enter your appearance in said cause on or before December 13, 2002, judgment by default will be entered against you.

Name and address of Plaintiff's attorney: Susan C. Little & Associates, P.A., 4501 Indian School Road NE, Suite 101, P.O. Box 3509, Albuquerque, NM 87190-3509.

WITNESS the Honorable CV-02-195, District Judge of the Twelfth Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico, and the Seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, this 24th day of October, 2002.

JAN PERRY
 CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

By Elizabeth Ysasi (SEAL) Deputy

#5308 4T(11)1,8,15,22

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF LINCOLN
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

BANKERS TRUST COMPANY OF CA, N.A.,
 Plaintiff

No. CV-02-154
RONALD L. WALLACE, THERESA WALLACE, and KEY FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK,
 Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned Special Master will on Wednesday December 18th, 2002 at 11:50 AM be at the main entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carizozo, New Mexico, to sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all right, title and interest of the above-named Defendant in and to the following real estate located in said County and state, which is more particularly described as follows:

LOTS 27, 28, 29, BLOCK 22, OF McDONALD'S ADDITION, CARRIZOZO, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN BY THE PLAT THEREOF FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO RECORDER OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, ON SEPTEMBER 13, 1906.

Said sale shall be made pursuant to the Judgment entered on September 25th, 2002, in the above-entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a real estate mortgage held by the above Plaintiff and wherein the Plaintiff was adjudged to have a first and paramount lien against the above-described real estate in the amount of \$24410.49 plus interest to the date of sale being \$25,563.70

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 and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due.

Notice is further given that

should the Plaintiff and/or defendants herein bid and/or become the purchasers of said real estate and improvements at the foreclosure sale, they may use any part of their judgment granted herein and hereinafter as credit against the purchase price should they be the highest bidder. From all other parties, the Special Master will accept only cash in payment of a bid, or a bank cashier's check, or a satisfactory letter of credit conditioned such that the Special Master receives cash or certified funds by 5:00 p.m. of the day of the foreclosure sale.

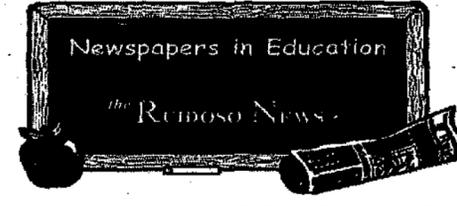
Notice is finally given that the Special Master may continue the Special Master Sale from time to time if necessary without republishing the Notice of Sale so long as the Special Master

appears at the designated times scheduled for said Special Masters Sale and announces the postponement thereof to another specific date.

By: /s/ Faisal Sukhyani
 Special Master
 222 Parkwest Drive N.W.
 Albuquerque, NM 87120-3680
 (505) 228-8484

Submitted by:
PICA & OLSON, L.L.P.

s/ MICHAEL J. SEIBEL
 Attorney for the Plaintiff
 PO Box 21160
 Albuquerque, NM 87154-1160
 (505) 883-9110
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- 37 Kind of concert
- 39 Amateur on a board
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- 43 Foreign agreements
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- 51 Ashes site
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- 54 Holy title: Abbr.
- 55 Noise
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- 59 Glazed fabrics
- 60 Museum display
- 61 Marley's ghost, for one
- 62 TV director's order

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- 3 1960 #1 Brenda Lee hit
- 4 Tang
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- 7 William Shatner sci-fi novel
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- 28 Nuts
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- 36 Scatter
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- 38 Book cover?
- 40 1997 Spielberg epic
- 41 Trouble
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- 46 Not flat
- 48 Direct
- 49 Property
- 52 Buckling down
- 53 Yellowfin, e.g.
- 56 HBO alternative
- 58 One with an office on Constitution Ave.

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November 1**

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November 2**

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Ford Factory has authorized \$142,250 in Factory rebates so we can help you buy a vehicle. Come in and get your share!

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Picture this

Hubbard photo competition nets a half dozen Ruidoso-area winners

BY SANDY SUGGITT
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The Fall American Photographic Competition opens to the public Saturday at the Hubbard Museum of the American West, with more local winners than ever before. Of the 10 first- and second-place photographs in five categories, six were from the Ruidoso area, said museum curatorial assistant Cheryl Knobel. In all, 168 photographs were selected from 306 submissions. Some photographers submitted more than one, as there

was no limit, Knobel said. "This year a lot more New Mexico and local people submitted photos," Knobel said. Photographs were submitted by photographers from Texas, Arizona, Colorado, Oklahoma, Michigan, Kansas, Utah, New Jersey, Washington, Missouri and Florida.

The judge for this year's competition was Steve Larese, associate editor/photo editor and staff photographer for *New Mexico Magazine*. Larese wrote in an e-mail to the museum that judging this contest was "excruciating" and eliminating 30 out of 60 photographs in each category was "just cruel."

While he looked for sharpness of the print, exposure, technical difficulty and contrast, his eye "was drawn to photos that were graphically powerful and/or symbolic, stood out by showing the subject in an unconventional light or seemed to have a story to tell through the photographer/subject interaction," he wrote.

"I feel the winners presented here captured some truly phenomenal photographs. But all whose images hang on these walls — and even those whose images don't — should be very proud of their way of seeing the world."

In the Open category, Ruidoso's Pablo Bianchi won first place (he also won honorable mention in the People category) and Alto's Hank Barone won second place.

In the People category, Ruidoso's Frederic Moras won first place and Crystal Barnett



SANDY SUGGITT/STAFF

"Fall in Jemez" by Urey Lemen of Albuquerque won first place in the Landscapes category.

of Denver, Colo., won second place.

Ben Passmore of Ruidoso won first place in the Architecture category, and Nogal's Dave Houser won second place.

Jan Butchofsky-Houser of Nogal won first place in the American West category, and Giles Rafsnider of Denver won second place.

In Landscapes, Urey Lemen of Albuquerque won first place, and Robert Haring of Houston, Texas — who lives here part-time — won second place.

First-place winners receive \$350 and second-place winners receive \$150.

While the show's up, the public is allowed to cast ballots for the People's Choice Award, which will be \$250.

A sponsor, 1st National Bank, always buys one of the winning photographs, Knobel said, and the museum buys one for its collection, but these purchase awards have not been selected yet.

The show opens to the public during regular museum hours, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Nov. 2 and runs through Jan. 19.

On one wall will be the display of photographs taken with disposable cameras from the Oct. 19 children's photography workshop at the Hubbard Museum.

"I feel the winners presented here captured some truly phenomenal photographs."

Steve Larese
contest judge



SANDY SUGGITT/STAFF

"Ancient Characters" by Frederic Moras, won first place in the People category.

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Uncle Dave's tips for a haunting and hellish Halloween

Gather 'round, boys and girls, because today Uncle Dave is going to tell you how to have some real "old-fashioned" Halloween fun!

Start by gathering these materials: A commercial air compressor, an acetylene torch, a marine flare gun and 200 pounds of boiled pig brains. Next, select a neighbor who...

Whoops! Scratch that, boys and girls! Uncle Dave did not realize that your parents were also reading this column. Ha ha! Hi there, Mom and Dad! Uncle Dave was just having a flashback to the Halloweens of his boyhood, an innocent time when parents were far more relaxed and clueless about what their kids were up to.

"You kids have fun, and be home by Thanksgiving!" our parents would call to us on Halloween night, as we staggered out the front door, weighed down by hundreds of pounds of concealed vandalism supplies, including enough raw eggs to feed Somalia for decades. By morning, thanks to our efforts, the entire neighborhood would be covered with a layer of congealed shaving

cream and toilet paper that, around certain unpopular neighbors' homes, was hundreds of feet thick. This is how the Appalachian Mountains were formed.

Yes, boys and girls, Uncle Dave and his chums sure had a lot of fun on Halloween! And when Uncle Dave says "a lot of fun," he means, "a very unsafe time." Because it turns out that we were violating many Halloween safety rules. In those days, we did not know about the importance of Halloween safety, because the Internet did not exist, at least not the way it is today.

Back then, the entire Internet consisted of two slow, boxcar-sized UNIVAC computers about 50 feet apart, connected by a wire. It would take one of these computers an entire day to send an e-mail to the other one, which would immediately delete it, because it was a Viagra ad.

Thanks to technological progress, we have access to much more information today, so we understand how hideously dangerous pretty much everything is, especially

Halloween. Uncle Dave looked up "Halloween Safety" on the Internet, and he found a scary Web site established by the National Safety Council, at <http://www.nsc.org/library/facts/halloween.htm>

(Notice that, in this address, there is only one "L" in "Halloween"; evidently the National Safety Council removed the other one because it might poke out somebody's eye.)

On this site, you parents will find 30 tips for parents to ensure that your children have a safe Halloween. For your convenience, Uncle Dave has boiled these tips down to five:

1. Never allow your children outside on Halloween night.
2. Or in the daytime, either.
3. Your children should spend Halloween locked inside a windowless room, sedated and wrapped from head to toe in reflective tape.
4. If, God forbid, some neighbor, somehow, manages to actually give one of your children a treat, you must immediately snatch it away and destroy it with a flamethrower.
5. Never use a flamethrower

while sleeping.

Uncle Dave's point is that Halloween is not the carefree holiday that it once was. These days, nobody goes outside on Halloween night except teenagers, which Uncle Dave believes it or not! — used to be one of, although he now finds them terrifying. But does that mean that youngsters can no longer have fun on Halloween? Yes!

No, wait, Uncle Dave means: No! There are plenty of Halloween activities that are both fun AND safe. For example, there is:

CARVING THE PUMPKIN

This is a Halloween tradition that began in the British Isles, where one magical night several centuries ago, a group of people decided to put a lit candle inside a hollowed-out pumpkin, to symbolize the fact that they had been hitting the sauce pretty hard. Today, pumpkin-carving is an activity that the whole family can enjoy, except for Dad, who gets stuck with the job of actually carving the pumpkin, which means he has to stick his hand inside, and grasp the pumpkin slime, knowing that at any moment he

might encounter the North American Gourd-Dwelling Scorpion, whose toxic sting claims more American lives each year than cellular phones and asteroids combined.

The best way to avoid this danger, advises the American Pumpkin Growers Council, is to make sure you buy a pumpkin "that costs a lot of money."

Uh oh! We're out of space here. In conclusion, Uncle Dave just wants to wish each and every one of you the most fun Halloween ever! Remember what Happy, the National Safety Council Safety Clown, always says: "If a single candy corn becomes lodged in your throat and cuts off your air supply, by the time the paramedics arrive, you will have the same brain functionality as a rutabaga."

Speaking of which: You'll have to excuse Uncle Dave now, because he has a batch of pig brains on the stove.

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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ANOTHER WINNER

"Westin Resort Los Cabos, Mexico, architect - Javier Sordo Madeleno" by Dave Houser won second place in the Architecture category at the Hubbard Museum's Fall American Photographic Competition, on display Saturday through Jan. 19.



SANDY SUGGITT/STAFF

Schoolhouse gallery ready for Nov. 9 opening

The new Lincoln Schoolhouse Gallery and Art Center with workshop facilities in Lincoln will have an open house from 1 to 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 9.

Plan to tour the renovated schoolhouse and see the work of nine artists, four from Lincoln County. They include leather tool artist Ed Heimann from Lincoln, Ruidoso oil painter Martin Rose, Lincoln landscape oil painter Russell Waterhouse and Carrizozo's pen-and-ink

and watercolor illustrator Gary Eklund. From out of state are Colorado sculptor Michael Musselwhite, Southwest watercolorist Nelson Boren from Utah, Southwest in oil impressionist

Oleg Stravrowsky from Austin, Texas, plein-aire oil impressionist Greg Price from Midland, Texas, and three-dimensional impressionistic work by Nona Church of Albuquerque in collaboration with Eklund.

Christmas Jubilee set for Nov. 8-10

BY SANDY SUGGITT
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Merchants from around Lincoln County will bring their wares to market at the Christmas Jubilee Nov. 8-10 in the Ruidoso Convention Center.

Only Lincoln County merchants participate in the Christmas Jubilee, and 80 booths will offer shoppers a large variety of items. Sixty of the booths are returning this year and 20 are brand new, said Carole Benham, one of the greeters.

Santa Claus will be there for the children, and a greeter will take Polaroid pictures for \$2, or bring your own camera and there's no charge. Also for the children will be storytelling by Nisha Hoffman. Parents can drop their children off in the storytelling room and pick them up 45 minutes later.

Parking and admission for children are free, but admission for adults this year will be \$1 at the greeters' desk. Large shopping bags will be available for \$1, also at the greeters' desk.

Snacks and lunches will be served up in the Food Court — and there's a waiting area for non-shoppers who have accompanied shoppers.

This one-time "mini-mall" sponsored by the Ruidoso Valley Greeters is their only fundraiser, and proceeds go to community projects, such as their adoption of Two Rivers Park. The group provided new benches and picnic tables and has plans for additional projects.

The Christmas Jubilee runs from noon to 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 8, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday.

Whisenhunt is chamber artist for November

Dorothy Whisenhunt is the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce artist for November. A certified decorative artist, Whisenhunt is both a designer and instructor, as well as an active member of the Society of Decorative Painters. She began training in 1970 and teaching in 1975 and received her certification in decorative painting in 1984. Since then, she has traveled extensively to teach in art shops, painting clubs and at National Decorative Painting conventions. She moved to Ruidoso in 1992 and holds an annual painting workshop in Ruidoso. She currently teaches weekly classes, private classes and special workshops in Josie's Frame and Gift Shop, 2809 Sudderth Drive.



"Bear in the Woods," by Dorothy Whisenhunt.



Murder Mystery

The Ruidoso High School advanced drama students will present "The Great High School Whodunit," an audience-participation play, at 8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 15 at the Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students and chil-

dren and may be purchased at the door or from the Spencer Box Office by calling 336-4800, or from drama teacher and director Cathi McIntosh by calling 258-4910.

Wellness council

The Health & Wellness Planning Council will have its

regularly scheduled meeting at 8 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 5, in the board room of Lincoln County Medical Center. The public is invited. Agendas are available at 1204 Mechem, No. 1, or by calling Terrie Elliott at 258-2894.

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FROlickING IN THE FALL

at your local church or synagogue, you will meet others who have experienced God's mercy and peace in their lives. Won't you let Him be in control of your life?

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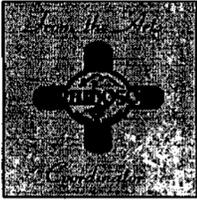
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Family time with public arts; bear hunt rolling

BY MARY LEA LANE
RUIDOSO ARTS COORDINATOR

Sam Swearingin, 258-3552. Call them to schedule your performance.

Art in Public Places continues with two public receptions on Friday, Nov. 8, from 5 to 7 p.m. Two exhibits of visual art will be featured.



At the Ruidoso Public Library will be a variety of works by mother and daughter, Susan

Goza and Megan Raybourn. At Village Hall, next door, will be works by a father and daughter. The exciting house portraits of Diane Gremillion, and during the opening only, her father, Earl Gremillion, with his charming and imaginative "rock house" paintings.

These family exhibits are ones you will not want to miss: Need more information? Call Diane Thorgeson, chair, at 258-3704.

The Festival of Music - Friday and Saturday, Dec. 13 and 14 - is fast approaching and performing artists of all sorts are needed. Expanded to two days from last year's delightful event, the festivities are planned from 4 to 7 p.m. on Friday, and 3 to 7 p.m. on Saturday.

Choirs, strolling ensembles, instrumentalists, dancers, theater pieces, single characters—you name it, it will be appreciated and enjoyed by friends and family.

This event is part of the larger Festival of Light celebration and is a wonderful opportunity to show off the exciting performing arts that are available locally. Chairs of this project are Mary Maxson, 354-3033, and

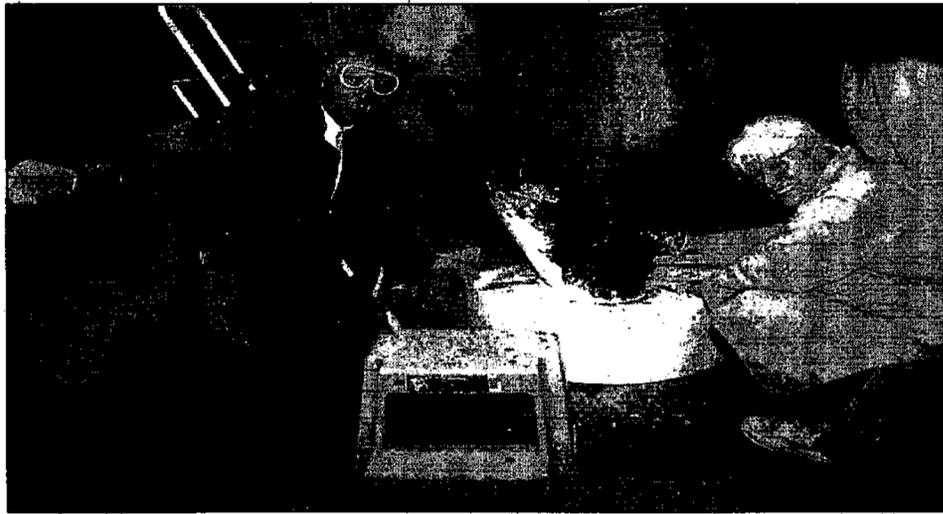
The Great Bear Hunt continues to be a major project of the Arts Commission. Planned from the outset as a fund-raising event in order to develop a cultural arts center to serve our area artists, kids, adults, and

tourists, the project is shaping up nicely. Many new bears are being sponsored by coalitions of businesses - either with similar interests or in close proximity to one another - or through the cooperative efforts of friends or neighborhoods.

Recently, five new bears arrived at ENMU from the manufacturer, joining four others that were already in place and being painted by the artists. What fun! Seeing all of those over-sized animals in the same space was cause for joy to any who wander in to see them, and especially among those committee persons who have worked so diligently to make this project become a reality.

Volunteers are still needed to help prepare the bears for delivery to the artists, to plan parties and the auction, to write and develop advertising campaigns, to help with secretarial functions, and to install the bears when they are ready in mid-April. For further information, call Elizabeth or Frank Amigo, co-chairs of The Great Bear Hunt, 336-7469.

Call Mary Lea Lane, Ruidoso arts coordinator, at 378-4302 to discuss these and other projects.



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Giola Phillips and her husband, Bill, prepare her "Native American Bear" for the Great Bear Hunt by painting on a stucco undercoating. This bear is sponsored by the Nancy Mitchell Consortium, which includes Mitchell's Silver, Long's Drug, Edward Jones Investment, Season's Nursery and Ruidoso Ford Lincoln Mercury Inc.

CHIROPRACTIC OUTLOOK

by
Dr. Jack V. Waters
Chiropractic
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BACKACHES CAUSE LOSS OF WORK

Backaches rank as one of the leading causes of medical treatment in the Western world. The sixty to eighty percent of adults affected most by backaches are between the ages of 30 to 50 years. Back pain is also the third most common cause of loss of work-days after headaches and the common cold.

Chiropractors agree that a large number of these backache cases are due to increasing stress, ineffectual exercise and poor sleeping habits. A backache may start out with a mild pain after a long day of activities, a slight stiffness when waking up in the morning or discomfort from sitting in a chair too long. When ignoring the problem, the soreness often becomes more frequent and severe.

Given today's anxieties, it is even more important to see a chiropractor for backaches. He or she can treat spinal subluxations or misalignments before they become so bad that the patient must miss work. Individuals who get treated are also less susceptible to associated illnesses such as diabetes, high blood pressure, strokes, obesity and depression.

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'Pimpernel' brings fencing, drama to Spencer stage

Amid the dramatic musical tale of an elusive masked hero called "The Scarlet Pimpernel" is an actual sword fight between foes - a fencing match of linking steel and sharp blades - that determines the fate of French citizens sentenced to death by guillotine.

The action takes place in two performances at the Spencer Theater, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 9. Excellent seats ranging in price from \$38 to \$45 are still available.

Call the Spencer Theater Box Office at (505) 336-4800 for tickets.

"The Scarlet Pimpernel" is a dramatic story about the making of heroes among ordinary men and women during the French Revolution. Though serious and romantic, the tale is also loaded with comic foils: The fearless Englishman, Sir Percy Blakeney, takes on the guise of a foppish aristocrat in Paris seeking the latest French fash-

ions when really on a mission to save innocents from Robespierre's guillotine.

Complicating the scene are the relentless manipulations of Citizen Chauvelin and Percy's own French wife, Marguerite, whom he fears he cannot trust.

Presented by the touring Broadway team Candlewood Productions and Mainstage Artists, the Spencer performances of "The Scarlet Pimpernel" feature booming vocals, comedy, lavish period costumes and a guillotine. Most notable are the two-foot-long swords that are used in sword fights on stage.

While it's not uncommon to have a fight on stage (i.e. "Westside Story," "Oldahoma"), fencing is definitely out of the ordinary.

"Outside of Shakespeare, you don't see much of sword fighting," says company manager Kevin Strawser.

Combat director Bryce Bermingham, a certified and licensed fight choreographer (as required by show insurance), choreographed the scenes.

Taking the baton from Bermingham for this 40-city tour of "Scarlet," fight captain Jesse Sullivan oversees staging of the fencing scenes. As he travels with

the company of 30 performers, he requires the actors to rehearse the sword fight before each show and the technical crew to sharpen the sword blades and care for the weapons properly.

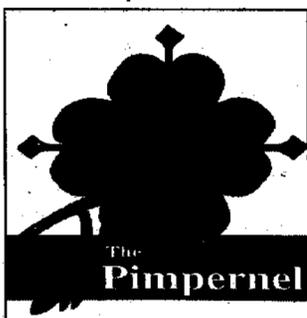
"With sharp, pointy blades, the fencing could be detrimental to the actors' health, so this show requires a lot of rehearsal and diligence on the actors' part," Strawser explains. "The stage is new every night, so it really is the different environments that requires the intense rehearsals. We want to make sure the actors are comfortable on the (different) stages, with the spacing and the grades. So far there have been a few little nicks and bruising in the fights, but nothing major."

Performed amid tender ballads and jolly songs of heroism, and in the musical's original Broadway costumes, the

action is both nail-biting intense and gut-wrenchingly hilarious. Lead character Rye Mullis, who plays Sir Percy, has become a fantastic fencer in this part - a role that also presents his great comic ability and powerful baritone voice.

"The Scarlet Pimpernel," which first appeared on Broadway in 1937, is written by Nan Knighton ("Saturday Night Fever"), with music by multiple Tony Award winner Frank Wildhorn ("Jekyll & Hyde"/"The Civil War").

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THIS WEEK'S MOVIES

Spy

Comedy and Action/Adventure
Rated PG-13 for action violence, some sexual content and language.

When the Switchblade, the most sophisticated prototype stealth fighter created yet, is stolen from the U.S. government, one of the United States' top spies, Alex Scott (Owen Wilson), is called to action. What he doesn't expect is to get teamed up with a cocky civilian, World Class Boxing Champion Kelly Robinson (Eddie Murphy), on a dangerous top secret espionage mission. Their assignment: to engage equal parts skill and humor, catch Arnold Gundars, one of the world's most successful illegal arms dealers, and foil his treacherous plans for the plane.
Starring: Eddie Murphy, Owen Wilson, Famke Janssen, Malcolm McDowell, Mike Dopud
Directed by: Betty Thomas
Produced by: Betty Thomas, Jerro Topping, Mario Kassar, Andrew Vajna
Written by: Cormac Wibberly, Marianne Wibberly, Jay Scherick, David Ronn, Ronald Bass, Robert Harting, Cormac Wibberly, Marianne Wibberly
Showtimes: Noon, 2:30 p.m., 5 p.m., 7:15 p.m., 9:15 p.m.
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Lloyd, David Krumholtz
Directed by: Michael Lembeck
Produced by: Brian Reilly, Bobby Newmyer, Jeffrey Silver, Robert F. Newmyer
Written by: Leonardo Benvenuti, Ken Daurio
Showtimes: 11:30 a.m., 2 p.m., 4 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 9:20 p.m.
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Ghost Ship
Suspense/Horror and Drama, 1 hr. 31 min.
Rated R for strong violence/gore, language and sexuality.
In a remote region of the Bering Sea, a boat salvage crew discovers the eerie remains of a grand passenger liner thought lost for more than 40 years. Once onboard, the crew must confront the ship's horrific past and face the ultimate fight for their lives.
Starring: Julianna Margulies, Gabriel Byrne, Isalah Washington, Ron Eldard, Desmond Harrington
Directed by: Steve Beck
Produced by: Joel Silver, Robert Zemeckis, Gil Adler
Written by: Mark Hanlon, Mark D. Hanlon, John Pogue
Showtimes: 11:45 a.m., 2:15 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 7 p.m., 9 p.m.
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The Santa Clause 2

Comedy
Rated G
Scott Calvin has been Santa Claus for the past eight years, and his loyal elves consider him the best Santa ever. But Santa's world is turned upside down when he's dealt a double whammy of bad news: not only has his son, Charlie, landed on this year's "naughty" list, but if Scott doesn't marry by Christmas Eve - just a month away! - he'll stop being Santa forever. It's right in his contract - the "Mrs. Clause" Desperate, Scott turns to the elves' new invention - a machine that can replicate anything - to create Santa II (a toy version of himself) and he leaves his double in charge. Things quickly go south at the North Pole when Santa II institutes some strange redefinitions of what's naughty and nice; worse, when Scott finally falls for a potential Mrs. Claus, she threatens to drive a wedge between him and Charlie. In a climactic battle pitting Santa, Charlie, the new Mrs. Claus, and the elves against Santa II and his army of tin soldiers, the future of Scott's family, the North Pole, and Christmas itself, hangs in the balance.
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Eddie Murphy in Columbia's I Spy.

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Deadly confrontations: Lawmen versus lawmen

I have heard many of the less informed refer to Billy the Kid as a "cop killer," concerning his participation in the death of Sheriff Brady on April 1, 1878. That is an easy — and modern — designation. And it is *always* a bad idea to judge denizens of the 19th century with our modern values.

While it is true that the Kid was part of a six-man team of shooters who opened up on the Sheriff that day, there are several facts that are invariably left out of the mix. One is that Billy and the other shooters were all legally appointed constables... so, does that mean that when Dick Brewer, and for that matter, any of the other Regulators who were killed before they were declared outlaw by the governor, were also "cops," and therefore, the men who killed them were "cop killers?"

I guess what I'm trying to say is that the "cops" in the Old West were frequently outlaws who were temporarily on the side of the law. It was not as cut and dried as it is today. Things have changed.

In the 21st Century, we don't have any policemen with lengthy criminal pasts, so we *know* they are on the "up and up." There are stringent requirements to become an officer of the law and not just anyone can do it. (Personally, I think they should be even more stringent! Let's put all the officers through college for degrees in either Sociology or Psychology, or both, and then pay them accordingly — in the six-figure area. After all, these guys are the ones putting their lives on the line for you and me.)

A perfect example of an Old West officer is "Texas John" Slaughter, who became Sheriff of Cochise County in Arizona and was highly revered for the performance

he delivered in that position. (Of course, it was still the Old West. Slaughter was famous for shooting miscreants and then informing them they were under arrest!) No matter how respected he was in Tombstone in the 1890s, in 1879 Slaughter was the No. 1 man on Lew Wallace's most-wanted list following the Lincoln County War. Billy the Kid was down at No. 15. Things that make you go



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Hot Springs, Ark.

Hot Springs, Ark., is not exactly one of the first places to come to mind when one thinks of the "Wild West." But perhaps it should. Following the Civil War, Hot Springs began to become known as a resort. It was never a boomtown, but certainly had its share of exciting, western-style events over the years.

On Jan. 15, 1874, a sum of money, the amount of which was never disclosed, was taken at gunpoint from a stagecoach about five miles east of Hot Springs. Many historians credit this robbery to the James-Younger Gang. Some eight months later, another stagecoach robbery took place, the bandits making off with about \$1,000.

Ten years and one month after that, in February of 1884, there was a wild gun battle on Hot Springs's main drag, Central Avenue, between two rival factions of gamblers. The fight left three dead and three wounded, and was immediately followed by a rather large group of vigilantes rushing about, rounding up every gambler they could find, who they then marched down to the train station for departures that were hasty, to say the least.

Like many western towns, Hot Springs was divided on the issue of gambling. The

"liberals" felt it was good for business and the "conservatives" did not agree, feeling that the Springs were enough to draw business and that the gamblers brought with them a seedy element that the town could do without. Of course, they were both right.

Tom Toler

Tom Toler was a popular chief of police. He "enforced the law without any undue hardship on the tourist trade," which was exactly what most businesses in Hot Springs wanted. Among the officers employed under Toler were Tom Goslee and Lee Haley, both of whom would figure prominently in the fracas that was to come.

Bob Williams

Garland County Sheriff Bob Williams was every bit as popular with his deputies as Toler was with his officers. Among Bob's deputies was his brother, Coffee Williams, who "drank too much." Nepotism, apparently, was not a word in Bob's vocabulary. Two of his other deputies were nephews Sam and Will Watt. Bob's son, Johnny, 22, liked to ride on posses with his father and other relatives. One of the most loyal of Williams's deputies was tall, balding, Ed Spear, who, just for a change, was no relation.

Some time back, I commented in print that most wars and battles are fought for one of two reasons: Money or God. Well, I forgot some others, politics being one of them. Williams and Toler had been friends before their politics made them enemies.

March 16, 1899

On March 16, 1899, Bob Williams was informed that there had been a meeting in the courthouse that morning and that the men present had been interested in ruining Williams's career. It was mid-afternoon when Sheriff Williams, still enraged, in the company of a friend named Dave Young, spotted police-

man Tom Goslee exiting the barber shop across the street. Williams called to Goslee to join him and Goslee walked across the street where he was immediately accused of all manner of treachery by the Sheriff. When Goslee saw Williams reach inside his coat — or start to — he instantly produced a derringer, announcing that he wanted no trouble, but would "defend myself if forced to."

At this point, Dave Young stepped in and tried to calm things. But Williams's tirade went on until he saw his son, Johnny, come out of the City Hall Saloon (got to love that name!) across the street. Hurrying over to his son, Williams was passed a revolver by young Johnny who then got another for himself.

When somebody yelled "Look out!" the horse apples hit the fan. Needless to say, Goslee's little two-shot derringer was no match for two men with heavy-caliber revolvers and, after expending both barrels, Goslee took off at light speed up the street as the father/son team blazed ineffectually away at him.

Well, it appeared to be over. The County Prosecuting Attorney took statements from both Goslee and the Sheriff, each of whom blamed the other.

As you can imagine, the city fathers were not exactly overjoyed that a gunfight had taken place on the city's main street that exclusively involved policemen. Toler persuaded Goslee to go and look up Johnny Williams and patch things up. At the same time, Toler would telephone Sheriff Bob Williams and set up a meeting to smooth things over. They were scheduled to meet that day at 5:30, but everyone was suspicious of everyone else and they all armed themselves heavily.

City policemen Toler, Haley and Goslee walked south on Central Avenue. Coffee Williams and two of his brother's other deputies, Ed Spear and the sheriff's son,

Johnny Williams, walked north. The two groups met on the sidewalk. At first things appeared to be going well, and the men began to relax. Except for Goslee, who walked further up the sidewalk and stopped to light a cigar, all four of the men stood around, and in, the open doors of the saloon.

At this point, Louis Hinkle, Haley's brother-in-law, who was bartending in the saloon, got involved, and what happened next, happened very fast.

After hearing an exchange between Haley and Spear, in which Spear loudly told Haley that whoever had given him certain information was a liar, Hinkle stepped out from behind the bar and made some decidedly unpleasant remarks to Spear. (It seems that Hinkle was the "liar.") Before Spear could respond, the burly bartender grabbed him with one hand by the head, tilting it backward, and with the other he suddenly produced a 6-inch knife no one had known he had. Without further ado, Hinkle cut Spear's throat, although, as it turned out, not fatally.

As the other men gaped, momentarily stunned, Spear struggled to free himself. But Hinkle was too strong for him and the best Spear could manage was to desperately produce a .45 revolver from inside his coat. Working the pistol free, Spear fired blindly over his shoulder, his bullet striking Hinkle in the throat and exiting below his left ear. But the big man didn't go down.

At almost the same moment, Coffee Williams jerked his own revolver and shot Hinkle in the chest. Finally, Hinkle went down.

Meanwhile, out in the street, Tom Goslee had begun to rush to the sound of the gunfire. Johnny Williams instantly opened fire, hitting Goslee in the groin and thigh. The groin shot severed his femoral artery, which probably would have killed him,

but as it turned out it made no difference.

Goslee struggled up on one elbow, and, at a distance of 35-40 feet, put a bullet squarely into young Johnny Williams' head. The young man pitched forward and lay still. Even as Johnny was going down, his uncle Coffee stepped out into the street from the saloon and put another bullet into Goslee, finishing him.

When Coffee Williams heard a bullet whistle past him from behind, he whirled, and backing further into the street, he returned the fire of Chief of Police Tom Toler, who suddenly had his hands quite full when, from behind him, the incredibly game Ed Spear had opened fire, slashed throat and all.

Now what, you may well be asking, had become of Lee Haley, whose initial exchange with Spear had started the whole she-bang. Not unlike Ike Clanton, in a gunfight in Tombstone back in 1881, Lee had decided, when the guns began to roar, to find a more healthy climate and had taken off like a jackrabbit.

Back to the fight: Toler, finding his position untenable, what with Goslee dead and Haley still running, had darted up the street — but not quite fast enough. As he ran, the police chief was hit by two bullets, either one of which would have been fatal. Spear put one into his chest and Coffee Williams put another into the back of his head.

It was over. Toler, Hinkle, and Goslee all lay sprawled in death. Johnny Williams would die later that night. And, with the exception of the bartender, Hinkle, every one of them was a duly appointed officer of the law. Like I say, things have changed.

Sources: *Lawmen's Heated Gun Battle in Hot Springs* by Orval E. Allbritton, Garland County Historical Society and *Encyclopedia of Western Gunfighters* by Bill O'Neal.

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Infatuation with a barmaid and a cruise ship

Our Bahamas cruise aboard Wind Surf, the latest and most luxurious of the Windstar Cruises' fleet of sailing ships, revolved around none other than — love! Sounds cliché, we know, but it's true. Our friend, Bruce, fell prone to cupid's arrow no less than five times during our seven-day sailing adventure.

At nearly three times the size of her sister ships, Wind Surf carries a maximum of 308 guests in 154 staterooms: 31 deluxe ocean-view suites and 123 ocean-view staterooms. Still, its size is dwarfed by typical cruise ships.

An interesting mix of shore-excursions and complimentary water sports activities is available. Water buffs can enjoy water-skiing, windsurfing, snorkeling, kayaking and banana boat rides from the water sports platform located at the ship's aft. Wind Surf's scuba program is designed for both beginners and certified divers.

This is one activity that never seems to be canceled because of inclement weather. There was at least one snorkeling tour at each port of call. Sea kayaking, parasailing, deep-sea and flats fishing, cata-

maran sailing and shore tours also are available.

Two excursions were dolphin encounters, one at Blue Lagoon Island at Salt Cay, and the other at Sanctuary Bay, Port Lucaya. The smiling faces, friendly nature and intelligence of those mammals reminded us of our two playful German shepherds at home. The dolphins were just as eager to please their handlers as our shepherds are to please us.

Those who prefer less rigorous activities can rediscover the simplicity of a good book (borrowed from the ship's library), a cool beverage and a quiet corner.

Dinner is a casual, uncomplicated event with no dress code. Jackets and ties are not required and you may dine when and with whom you like. Room service is available if you want to eat in your stateroom. We enjoyed dining with Bruce almost every evening because we were anxious to hear about his latest heart-break. We also always volunteered to sit at a table for six or eight. That way, we met many interesting people, different ones each evening.

During a pre-dinner cocktail hour in the lounge, Bruce fell for Doris,



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



COURTESY THE BARONES

Flipper and his friends are happy to entertain guests on the Wind Surf at a couple ports of call in the Bahamas.

the barmaid. Of course, it was doomed from the start. He was on a first name basis with Doris, only because she wore a nametag. Doris hadn't a clue that Bruce existed.

The ship's casino opens most evenings at 6 when the ship isn't in a U.S. port, and the dealers are happy to share their tips on winning at poker or blackjack. One evening Bruce decided to try his luck at blackjack.

Most players follow certain rules — when to take another card, when

not to. Bruce however, was unencumbered by any such ideas. He proceeded to break every rule ever created, while winning hand after hand. The rest of the players, unfortunately, lost most of their hands as a result. Bruce was soon playing alone.

The dealer, Kim, was a young Malaysian woman, with whom Bruce immediately became infatuated. But, as with his others, this "romance" was destined to be short-lived.

Before and after dinner there's

dancing in the lounge. The atmosphere and music were romantic, and we happily danced the night away.

A nice alternative to the lounge's dance band was slipping outside to the Compass Rose Bar, where passengers could listen to the music of Manny on the aft deck. There, Bruce fell in love again. And this time it worked out. Seeing Bruce and Sandy dancing in the rain and lost in the romantic music of Frank Sinatra reminded us of two teenagers with their first crush.

But Bruce wasn't the only one who had fallen in love. We too, were smitten by a siren of the sea — Wind Surf.

For more information call Windstar Cruises (800) 258-7245 or check for departure dates and costs at www.windstarcruises.com. We recommend arriving in Fort Lauderdale at least one day before sailing. We found convenient and comfortable lodging at Fort Lauderdale's Marina Marriott (800-433-2254; www.marina-marriott.com).

The Barones are full-time travel writers and photographers operating out of their home in Alto. Their work appears in a wide variety of regional, national and international publications. To learn more visit their Web site at www.intlmediagroup.com or E-mail them at barones@intlmediagroup.com.



Friday lecture

Capitan Public Library's First Friday Adult Lecture Series will be at 7 p.m. today, when local storyteller Nisha Hoffman will share her Tall Tales from New Mexico. Library volunteers will provide refreshments after the program. The lectures are free of charge.

Book signing

Come to Historic Lincoln on Saturday, from 1 to 3 p.m. Nov. 9 for a book signing with mystery writer Steve Havill.

Havill will be at the Historic Lincoln Visitors Center to promote his new book, *Scavengers*. This is the first in a new series to feature Undersheriff Estelle Raez-Guzman. Havill is a former Lincoln resident who now resides

in Raton.

His new book can be purchased at the signing. The signing is a free event and refreshments will be served. For more information on this event, call Historic Lincoln at (505) 653-4025.

Meditation series

Sierra Dove's Art of Meditation series continues 7-9 p.m. Nov. 6 with "Movement through Yoga and Breath," with Bob Yehling showing how yoga postures and breathing techniques can induce a deep state of tranquility and meditation.

On Nov. 13, Native American flute player Gerald Sinclair, Tibetan singing bowls facilitator Helen Procter and East Indian harmonium player Bob Yehling join instruments and spirits for "Kirtan," a special night of spiritual music and storytelling form

the Hindu, Native American, Celtic, Persian and Tibetan traditions.

For more information or to register, call Sierra Dove Center for Integrative Healing at 336-1037 or Eastern New Mexico University at 257-2120.

Treefrogs for Literacy

Treefrogs for Literacy's benefit concert Oct. 26 raised \$574 for 100 board books to be distributed to children in Lincoln County: *Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What do You See?* and *Polar Bear, Polar Bear, What do You See?*

The remaining funds will go to the Lincoln County Literacy Council. The major sponsors for the event were 1st National Bank, Postal Annex, Ruidoso Printing, Lincoln County Parents as Teachers and the Ruidoso Arts Commission, with support from

local radio stations and the newspaper.

For more information, visit www.Pblake.com.

Hubbard workshop

The Hubbard Museum of the American West will sponsor a day-long workshop with members of the Albuquerque-based VSA arts of New Mexico on Thursday, Nov. 14. The workshop will focus on disability and access awareness, and will use a combination of discussion and hands-on activities to illustrate how to make the arts accessible for people with disabilities.

VSA arts of New Mexico is a non-profit organization that celebrates the creative power of individuals with disabilities and educates through the arts. The organization is part of an

international network of VSA organizations, headquartered in Washington, D.C. VSA, formerly known as Very Special Arts, was founded in 1974 by Jean Kennedy Smith, and is an affiliate of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

The workshop will be held at The Hubbard Museum of the American West, 841 Highway 70 West in Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 14. To register for the workshop, contact Elizabeth Becker at the Museum in Ruidoso Downs at 378-4142. The fee for the workshop is \$10, which includes hand-outs and refreshments throughout the day.

This workshop is made possible in part by New Mexico Arts, a division of the Office of Cultural Affairs and the National Endowment for the Arts.

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HOME & FAMILY

■ November is National Home Health Care Month and National Hospice Month, and it's being observed in Lincoln County, where three organizations provide services.



Hospice volunteer Diane Dean visits with retired history teacher Ruie Lucas.

SANDY SUGGITT/STAFF

looking back

LINCOLN COUNTY SCRAPBOOK

Nov. 2, 1962

Free barbecue planned

Lincoln County Central Republican H. H. Shire announced this week the Republicans will play host for a free barbecue to which everyone is invited at Lincoln Sunday, Nov. 4, beginning at 1 p.m.

"Come one, come all; it's free," Shire declared.

The election, with 48 candidates and one constitutional amendment on the ballot in Lincoln County, will be Nov. 6.

Nov. 3, 1972

Halloween snow

The Ruidoso area received its first significant snowfall for the 1972-73 season when an early season winter storm Tuesday, Oct. 30, dropped up to 16 inches of snow in several areas of this mountain resort...

The official snowfall measurement was set at 14 inches, according to Frank Potter, manager of the Ruidoso Municipal Airport and official weather observer of the weather station at the airport.

Potter reported that by 10:30 a.m. Tuesday Ruidoso had recorded 12 inches of snow and that the "white manna" was falling at the rate of two inches per hour.

Nov. 4, 1982

McGuire to statehouse

White Mountain Middle School teacher Marvin B. "Mickey" McGuire from Ruidoso Downs becomes the state representative from District 56 following his victory Tuesday over Artesia area Republican Fred D. Collins.

The Lincoln County Democrat was elected to the seat - which district comprises portions of Lincoln, Chaves and Eddy counties - by a margin of more than 300 votes. McGuire's main strength was in Lincoln County, where he took 1,628 votes to Collins's 1,145.

Nov. 5, 1992

Ex-Downs mayor dies

Jasper J. "Jack" DiPaolo, the former two-time mayor of Ruidoso Downs, died Tuesday at Sharp Hospital in Murrieta, Calif. He was 83.

He had been living in Temecula, Calif., but will be buried today at Forest Lawn Cemetery in Ruidoso. He was born in Santa Fe, Argentina, in 1909.

County salutes its home health, hospice caregivers

BY SANDY SUGGITT
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Lincoln County commissioners joined the National Association of Health Care and the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization in declaring November as National Home Care Month and National Hospice Month in Ruidoso.

The national organizations are using this opportunity to raise awareness of the fact that most home care and hospice services are covered under Medicare.

Ruidoso Home Care & Hospice is joining them in this campaign.

"Medicare home health benefits have been under the Balanced Budget Act of 1997, when Medicare eliminated coverage for long-term chronic

provided on their own schedule and their own terms," Chadwick said.

Home care can provide care following surgery, for recovery from a prolonged illness and even for some acute care like IV therapy. Home care also is provided to infants requiring nursing care, oxygen and monitoring for developmental problems. Housekeeping needs, errands that will enable people to stay in their own homes, taking patients to doctor's appointments, doing grocery shopping and laundry and offering companionship are some of the other services available.

"Hospice is for what we consider terminal care when life expectancy probably is six months or less," Chadwick said. "It provides palliative care when there is no medical cure, which involves control and management of symptoms relating to a terminal illness, such as pain management, respiratory distress and other comfort measures."

Hospice focuses on quality of life. The backbone of hospice in this country has been caring volunteers who go into the home to help the patient and family, as well as nurses, home health aides who are trained to provide personal care, social workers who assist in end-of-life planning and hospice chaplains for spiritual support.

Most hospice programs have a bereavement program for family members for a year following the death of their loved one, and in some cases the hospice can provide respite for family members and caregivers "to enable them to continue giving care as long as needed," Chadwick said.

Ruidoso Home Care & Hospice has three full-time and four part-time nurses, six full-time and two part-time home health aides, and four hospice volunteers.

The agency has served about 480 patients since March of 2001 when it received Medicare certification, and currently serves about 50 patients a month. Community Home Care serves about the same number, and Presbyterian Medical Services' Home Health Hospice of Lincoln County (numbers unavailable) also provide both home health care and hospice services.

John Gerhardt, office manager of Community Home Care, said the amount of time his home care workers spend with their patients varies depending on their needs.

"Most of the clients we serve are elderly and disabled," Gerhardt said of the Ruidoso branch of Clovis' Community Home Care office. "Workers help them at their houses, keep the home clean, provide home care, make sure meals are prepared for the day, make sure they make their doctor appointments and attend social activities they wish to par-

ticipate in, driving them where they need to be, helping with errands such as shopping and picking up prescriptions."

Many of his clients are on Medicaid and do not have to pay for their medications, he said.

Ruie Lucas, 99, a former history teacher, has received home health care intermittently for years, beginning with the first agency in the area, founded by Verna Adams, Home Health Services of Lincoln County, before it merged with PMS Home Health Hospice of Lincoln County after the Balanced Budget Act of 1997.

"Jennifer brought me up," Lucas said wryly, referring to Chadwick, who opened Hospice of Lincoln County, the first hospice in the area. "She's really hanging in there and helping me out."

Lucas said a hospice nurse calls her to see if she needs anything now that she requires oxygen all the time.

"I called one time at 11 o'clock at night and they came out," she said. "I had a nose bleed and couldn't stop it."

Lucas said Dr. (Chris) Robinson recommended Chadwick to her "when I came here about nine years ago. I depend on her for a lot."

A caretaker helps Lucas out with breakfast, housecleaning and a shower in the mornings, and comes in for two hours in the afternoon.

"I get along fine until about 5 in the evening, when everybody's busy," Lucas said. "It gets kind of lonely."

Fortunately for her, Ruidoso Home Care & Hospice recently conducted its first training for hospice volunteers.

Diane Dean of Nogal took the class and on Monday met her first client - Ruie Lucas.

Dean said she became a volunteer because of a personal experience she had with her father when he was nearing the end of his life about a year and a half ago.

"We took care of him at home. I knew of hospice before that, but had not had direct experience," she said. "It's important to me to be involved with hospice because the bottom line for me is that issues of death and dying are out of balance, and I think hospice offers balance to matters of life and death."

For more information on receiving home health care and hospice services and Medicare and Medicaid benefits, or to become a volunteer, contact one of the following local agencies:

- Ruidoso Home Care & Hospice, 258-0028
- Community Home Care, 258-1986
- Presbyterian Medical Services' Home Health Hospice of Lincoln County, 257-5189.



SANDY SUGGITT/STAFF

Jennifer Chadwick, R.N., C.H.P.N., is the administrator of Ruidoso Home Care & Hospice, one of three local agencies providing home health care and hospice services.

conditions," said Jennifer Chadwick, administrator. "Since then, they've loosened up some of their definitions of home-bound status, such that a person who drives occasionally to a physician's appointment is not disqualified. But people got the perception that Medicare coverage for home health care is no longer available."

Many people also are unaware that most health insurance policies cover home health care and hospice care for end-of-life needs, the registered nurse and certified hospital palliative care nurse said.

"Home is the preferred place to receive care whenever possible, so they can be surrounded by their family, friends and pets, and have their care

Homemaker tips in clips from old newspapers still apply

Most newspapers of the "good old days" carried household tips to aid the rural woman. Women learned that ashes from the wood stove made a dandy scouring powder; that raw onion mixed with syrup could serve as a ointment remedy and that baking soda could be used as toothpaste. Doing the wash was a grueling job. Clothes were dried by "solar dryer," the clothesline. There was hardly time to prepare meals on Monday, traditional wash day. There were no microwave ovens or fast food places.

Last month I presented a household tips program to members of the Carrizozo Woman's Club, who met for their regular monthly meeting. I began my presentation by placing the following items on a table: a box of corn starch, a jar of cold cream, a bottle of

food coloring, clothes dryer lint, and glue. Contact paper, an old 3-ring notebook, a shoe box, empty coffee can, and a roll of toilet paper were among the items.

I also had a balloon, a funnel, paper clips, used greeting card envelopes, post cards, glossy magazine covers, empty prescription bottle and an empty band aid can.

The club members were intrigued as I showed them how I used corn starch, cold cream and food coloring to make green face paint, suitable for an alien or a witch.

The clothes dryer lint and glue was mixed to make a chile, which when dry I painted with acrylic paint. The 3-ring notebook, shoe box and empty coffee can were covered with contact paper and transformed into a recipe holder, a

catch-all box for the kitchen counter and a toilet paper holder - all to match the contact paper behind my stove.

The rubber balloon was filled with granulated sugar, using a funnel, to become a "stress ball" for hand therapy. The paper clips are used in place of pins when hand-sewing a hem. The corners of colored greeting card envelopes are used for bookmarks, which are placed over a page corner. Post cards are turned into small gift boxes to hold money or "surprises." Glossy magazine covers make larger gift boxes. An empty prescription bottle is used to hold toothpicks for a sack lunch or purse. An empty Band-Aid can is filled with needles, thread, etc. to become a mini sewing kit for the car's glove compartment.

I told my audience that I have been

compiling all-around tips since 1972 for the *Lincoln County News*, where I was a writer for 20 years. My tips also appeared in *Enchantment*, a rural electric cooperative publication.

"Art, Craft & Such" occasionally includes tips for household, cooking, baking, yard and such. Other publications that currently feature my tips are *Bob, The Tularosa Reporter*, and *The Hispano Weekly* (Lubbock, Texas).

One club member asked, "How do you come up with these tips?"

I responded that while raising six kids, I was always looking for ways to do things easier, faster and cheaper.

Also living in rural Carrizozo, there was not a super discount store 45 minutes away like there is now. I enjoy being inventive, it is fun and challenging.

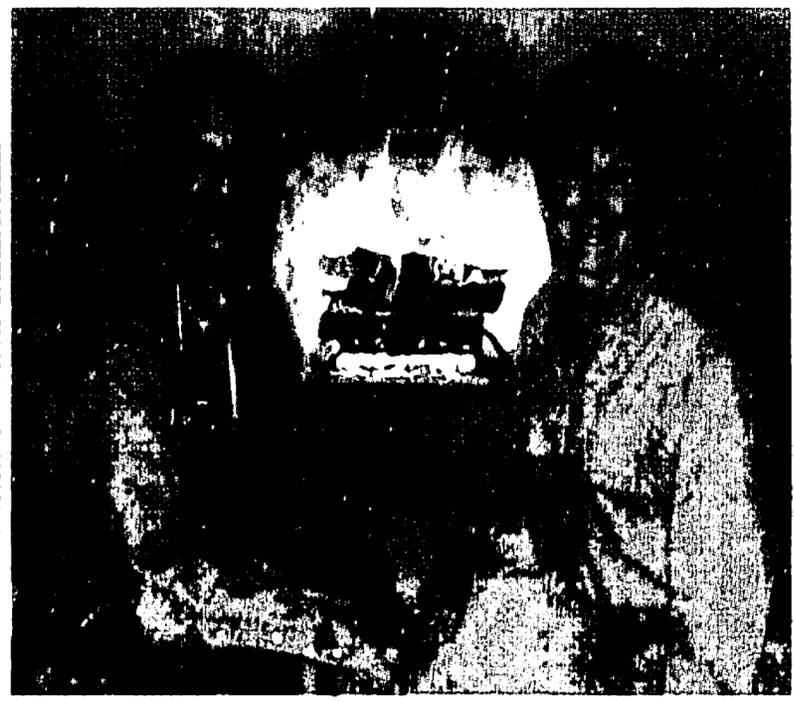


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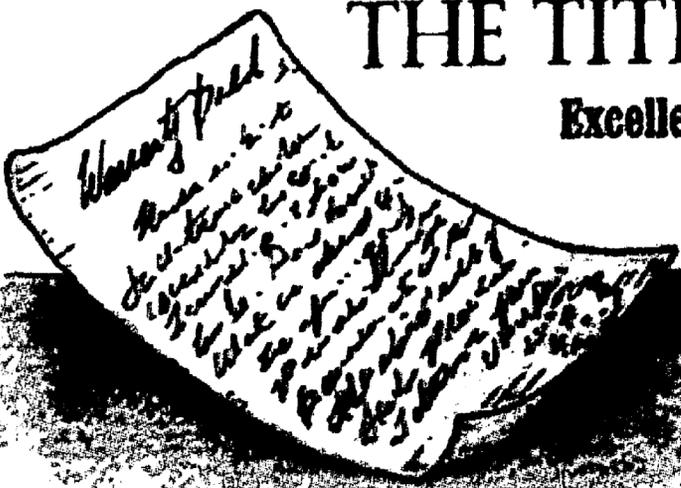
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Nov. 1

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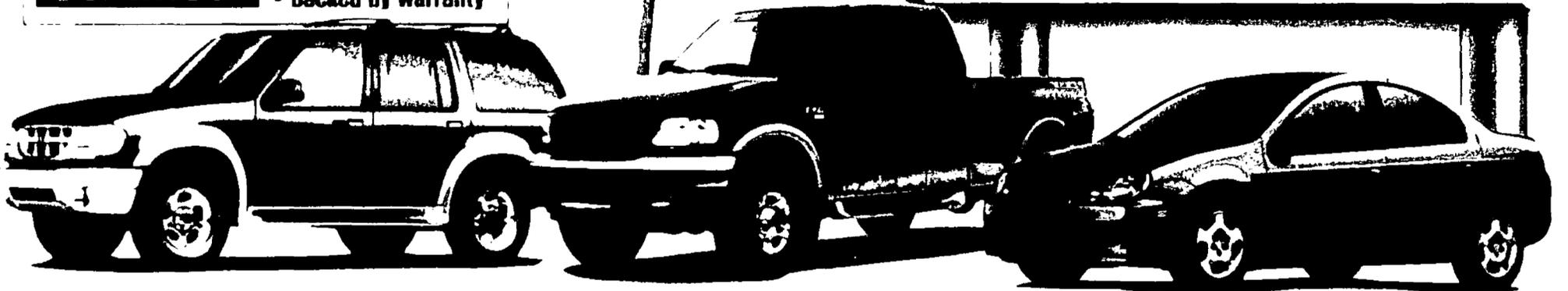
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Thrifty Car Sales

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Since 1958, consumers have relied on the Thrifty® brand for *good value* and *smart choice*. Now, with Thrifty Car Sales, we deliver on that same promise when our customers purchase a pre-owned vehicle! *National buying power. National staying power.* All that, and the *home-town advantage* that can only be delivered through a *locally-owned dealership*. Plus ...

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Name _____ Address _____
City/State/Zip _____ Phone # _____ E-mail _____

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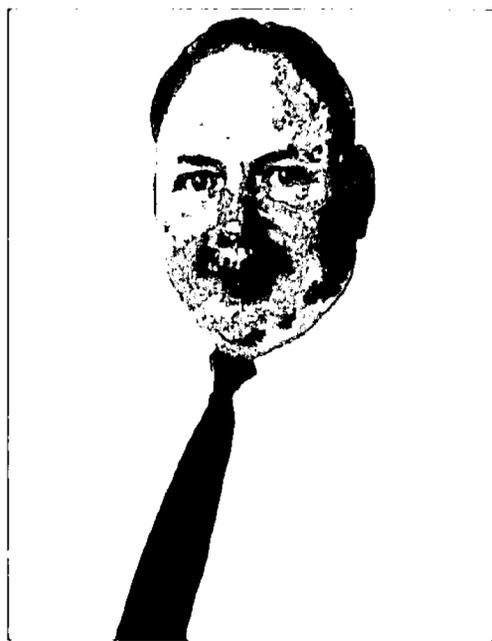
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Tuesday,
November 5th
1:00 – 2:30 p.m.

WHERE:

Senior Citizens
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