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LCMC board: New owners aren't likely

Hospital meeting leads to debate

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A debate started last week at the Lincoln County Commission meeting Monday during the monthly session of the local hospital board in Ruidoso.

By the end of the public portion of the Lincoln County Medical Center board meeting, it seemed the only answer that would satisfy those who question Presbyterian HealthCare Services' management of the county-owned hospital is to open up the process to other management offers.

But unless federal or state action is taken or a 120-day exit clause is exercised - that won't happen until 2008 when the current county contract with Presbyterian expires. The firm has managed the hospital for more than 20 years, coming into the county during a troubled time for the 38-bed primary care facility, which now operates in the black.

County Commissioner Leo Martinez, who at the invitation of Gary Mitchell attended the session along with Commission Chairman Rex Wilson and Commissioner Earl Hobbs, brought up several issues that he finds objectionable in the current arrangement. They are themes he has focused on

from the time he was first appointed and then elected to the commission.

Board members responded to those points, but the answers didn't satisfy the commissioner or several others in the audience at odds with the existing arrangement.

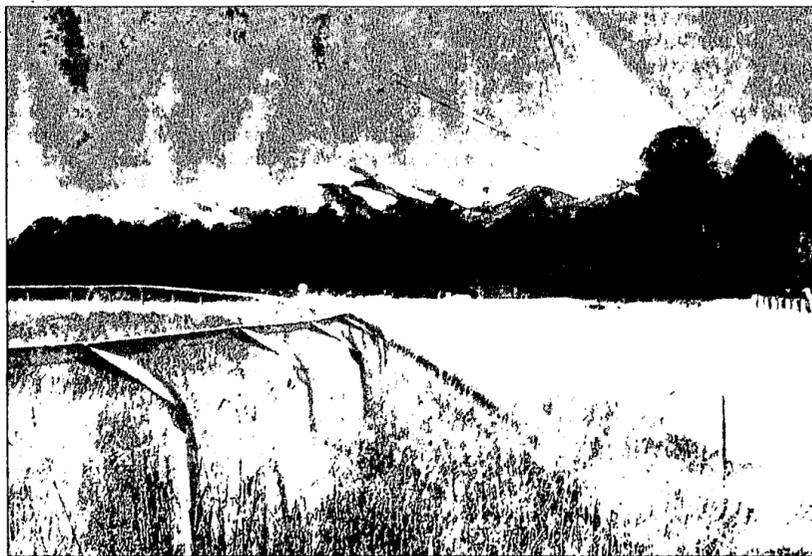
Mitchell reported to his board that he attended the commission meeting in an effort to work with that board on issues, not personalities, and to encourage "vigorous debate rather than acrimonious debate." He wanted to talk to commissioners about allowing hospital officials to know in advance what issues might be brought up during their time on the monthly agenda to ensure they prepare the necessary information. Hospital issues often are complicated and difficult to explain, he said.

With facts accessible, incorrect information can be dispelled immediately, he said.

Wilson complimented hospital administrator James Gibson's presentations to the board, saying he was satisfied with changes that include no longer using a special property tax levy for operation, but reserving it for hospital capital outlay. Procurements now are handled through the county's central purchasing office, he

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MOUNTAIN MAJESTY



Sierra Blanca, coated with recent snow. Peaks in sunshine earlier this week.

DIANNE STALLINGS/STAFF

Adair nixes court bill detour

Proposed legislation that would dissolve the Carrizozo magistrate court is now in the Senate Judiciary Committee

BY PAULA PENNELL
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

SANTA FE - A bill that detoured past the Senate Judiciary Committee last week and was headed straight for the Finance Committee is back on track after a senator questioned the move.

Senate bill 143, sponsored by Sen. Manny Aragon, D-Albuquerque, would realign magistrate and metro courts across the state, increasing some courts and doing away with others, including the Lincoln County Magistrate Court in Carrizozo.

A similar bill introduced by Aragon during the 2002 session failed to pass.

Martha Proctor, who was Aug. 1 and then won the election in November, said she appreciates the effort to reduce costs, but disagreed eliminating her position would accomplish that goal.

"I agree the caseload probably doesn't require

a full-time judge at this point, but I do handle the overflow from other counties and feel it would be a disservice to the public not to have the court available in Carrizozo, the county seat, in case they need to file any complaints," Proctor said Monday. "With U.S. 54 and U.S. 380 running through town, there are a lot of traffic citations, we well as game citations because most of the hunting occurs in this part of county."

"I believe it would be a burden on (Ruidoso Magistrate William) Butts' court to handle everything."

If her court was eliminated, any savings realized would be more than offset by the added expense of travel from Ruidoso, she said.

"It's not a savings because it's the county seat," Proctor said. "The district attorney's office, the county detention center and the sheriff's office are here. The travel would have to be paid for. It doesn't seem to be a logical economical action."

Sen. Rod Adair, R-Roswell, who made the motion earlier this week to require the bill to be heard by the Judiciary Committee, called the bill "kind of dumb."

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Faught says U.S. 70 work stoppage rumors are untrue

The highway secretary said she will meet with Hondo Valley residents soon.

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Any suggestions that the U.S. 70 project through the Hondo Valley will be canceled or put on hold are untrue, said Rhonda Faught, Highway and

Transportation Secretary. "The project still is going forward," she said. "At this point, there are no delays and no changes to the project," which runs for 38 miles from the eastern edge of Lincoln County west toward Ruidoso Downs.

At the request of Gov. Bill Richardson, Faught will meet with some Hondo Valley resident to discuss their concerns about preserving historical

structures and acequias. But she stressed that the discussions should not be construed as a hindrance to the progress of the project to four-lane the highway.

"I think there were concerns raised in the community and rumors," said the department's public information officer, S.U. Mahesh. "A lot of phone calls were coming to the department, saying the department and the governor were

going to shut down the project."

Those calls prompted the public announcement, he said Monday.

Faught will sit down and explain the project and the steps being taken to protect historical properties, he said.

"We're also working with the ditch association closely to address all their needs and concerns," he said.

No date for the meeting is set, he said.

PRETTY PONY



SANDY SUGGITT/STAFF

Mescalero High School senior Warren Sago painted this pony for the New Mexico Painted Pony project last year. The pony was auctioned off for \$20,000 in the fall of 2002 and was then donated back to the school, said Karen Tillman, curriculum and special education coordinator for the school. The pony was formally dedicated at half-time of the basketball game Feb. 21. Sago said it took him two months to paint the pony after he'd drawn the design on paper. The pony will be exhibited in the administration building of the Mescalero School.

Locals file suit against RFD for allegedly missing hot spots

Flare-up destroyed Tiara Del Sol clubhouse last year

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The Ruidoso Fire Department and village are being sued for damages stemming from a fire in 2002 that destroyed the Tiara Del Sol clubhouse.

Filed in Lincoln County District Court in Carrizozo on behalf of the Tiara Del Sol Homeowners Association by Ruidoso attorney Adam Rafkin, the suit contends an imaging device used by the fire department to detect possible "hot spots" in the walls was ineffective. The suit asks for compensatory damages and court-related costs of the association.

According to the suit, on July 2, 2002, the fire department responded to flames at the clubhouse, but after two hours, left the scene.

Joel Rutten, president of the association, told firefighters the structure still

seemed very hot inside, the suit states. Department personnel used a thermal imaging device on the walls and were satisfied that there were no hot spots, then advised Rutten to open the windows.

At that point, relatively little damage had occurred, according to the suit. But within 45 minutes, a fire flared up and the department responded again. This time, they stayed on the scene for 48 hours, but by the time firefighters arrived, "the entire 4,000-square-foot clubhouse was in flames," the suit states. The structure was a total loss.

The suit contends that by disconnecting the hose when they left the first time, firefighters prevented association members from trying to extinguish the flames when they broke out the second time.

A spokesman for the village's insurance carrier could not be reached for comment.

LCMC: Mitchell, Martinez continue debate over hospital

FROM PAGE 1A

"I'm comfortable with the relationship," he said. "Sometimes I have to apologize if the meeting gets out of hand, but it is a public forum in which we do business."

Although Mitchell allowed Martinez to speak with a few cautions, at times the exchanges between the commissioner and the chairman teetered on confrontation as Martinez hammered home his objections and questions.

They included:

- The not-for-profit hospital should stick to primary care and not compete for services offered by private physicians who must pay property taxes and gross receipts taxes. He cited the lease

being negotiated with The Rose Clinic in Capitan while Dr. Walter Jay Seidel operates a private clinic in the same town.

Dr. Vickie Williams, who serves on the hospital board, said board members started looking at The Rose Clinic twice Seidel's clinic was open only two days a week. Mitchell added that the hospital clinic would cater to indigent patients not covered by insurance and who probably could not afford to see a regular physician.

He said Tuesday that the contract will be for one year and if the clinic is not utilized, the arrangement would not be continued. The goal is to treat all residents of the county fairly, he said.

Martinez pointed out that he, not the hospital board, fought for

a clinic in Hondo to collect money in the special property tax levy to help offset its expenses.

- A better accounting of how much money is spent and how much goes to Presbyterian. Mitchell insisted the hospital is one of the most audited entities in the county, including oversight by the federal and state government, as well as an audit of the special property tax levy.

- The commission hasn't seriously sought management or purchase offers from other entities for more than 20 years.

Mitchell said previous commissions did consider some other options, as did the hospital board last year while it was wrangling with Presbyterian to gain more local control.

- The hospital board should

be appointed by the county commission or Ruidoso. Village Council to truly represent the people of the county. Presbyterian now appoints or must approve appointments to the board and members' first allegiance is to the firm, he contended. In that situation, board members have no power to negotiate for the county.

Board member Ellen Lucas disagreed, saying the first loyalty of the board, composed of volunteers, is to the community and that members fought successfully for more local power.

Mitchell pointed out Tuesday that a previous commission decided to withdraw its member from the board and stay with a Presbyterian-appointed board to limit its liability. They were advised that the more the coun-

ty was involved in operations, the more its liability exposure increased.

- Presbyterian should pay an annual lease of fair market value for the hospital it manages. Martinez said at one point, state finance officials ordered that fair market value be obtained by the county.

Mitchell said when the contract comes up again, all terms are negotiable, but any costs incurred by Presbyterian would ultimately be paid by patients. The board attempts to keep rates at the 50 percent or less

mean point for the state.

The hospital maintains a \$5 million reserve to cover 120 days of operation, Mitchell said, explaining why a "profit" was shown. Additional money is plowed back into equipment that the county hospital will own, he said.

Martinez insisted his goal is not to oust Presbyterian, but to gain answers to his questions.

Mitchell accused him of playing to the media and Martinez, said if everything is in order, the board should have nothing to fear from media exposure.

BILL: Senator questions merits of reducing courts

FROM PAGE 1A

"Nobody wants us to have people who aren't utilized," Adair said, "but it sends the wrong signal for us to take these jobs away."

Whatever savings are realized now, he said, will be lost when the courts are reinstated in a few years.

Adair pointed out that Lincoln County, which stands to lose one magistrate under the plan, has seen incredible population growth in the past decade.

"The population grew from 10,000 to 19,000 in a decade," Adair said. "By

2005 or 2006, those numbers will be near 30,000."

For that reason, he said, the county should keep its two magistrate courts, which are located in Ruidoso and Carrizozo.

Aragon's bill would eliminate the Carrizozo court, requiring the remaining magistrate to ride circuit to Carrizozo on a regular basis.

Adair said he was especially concerned about the Lincoln County situation because if he declines to run for re-election, the county will be in his district due to redistricting.

"As a conservative I would never say let's grow the economy through the government," Adair said. "But this bill is wrong."

The bill also states that court clerks and other resources, such as furniture and equipment, would be reassigned from the abolished courts to other magistrate courts.

Aragon has said the purpose of the bill is to cut costs by eliminating underperforming courts.

Ruidoso News reporter Dianne Stallings contributed to this report.

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The following is information for the citizens of the Village Of Ruidoso and Lincoln County concerning the current High Threat Condition (Orange) implemented on Friday, February 7, 2003, by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. Under this threat level, there are a number of things individuals can do to be prepared.



They include:

- Be more aware of your surroundings, terrorism strikes with little warning
- Exercise caution when traveling, be aware of unusual behavior and report suspicious activity
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- Learn where emergency exits are located in buildings you frequent, plan how to get out of an unfamiliar building
- Develop a household disaster plan, and assemble a disaster supply kit
- Discuss with family members what they would do and how they would communicate in the event of an incident, including the requirements of those with special needs
- Contact neighbors to discuss their plans and needs
- Check with school officials to determine their plans for an emergency and plans to reunite children with parents

These suggestions are all important awareness and preparedness measures that individuals should consider under the current threat level. In New Mexico, possible terrorist threats should be reported to local law enforcement or to the Counter Intelligence Unit at 1-800-432-6933. For more information on individual and family preparedness, either contact your local city or county emergency management office or log on to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) website at: www.fema.gov

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 - Adhere to any travel restrictions announced by local governmental authorities
 - Be prepared to shelter in place/evacuate and assist neighbors who are elderly or have special needs to do the same
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- Complete recommended actions at lower levels
 - Be alert to suspicious activity and report it to proper authorities
 - Check on neighbors who are elderly or have special needs to ensure they are okay. Review disaster plan with them
 - If a need is announced, contact nearest blood collection agency and offer to organize a neighborhood blood drive
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- Complete recommended actions at lower levels
 - Be alert to suspicious activity and report it to proper authorities
 - Have a neighborhood meeting in order to identify neighbors who are elderly or have special needs. Assist them in development of a personal disaster plan had disaster supplies kit if requested
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- Complete recommended actions at lower levels
 - Be alert to suspicious activity and report it to proper authorities
 - Ask the local Red Cross chapter to offer a presentation called "Preparing for the Unexpected" at an upcoming neighborhood meeting
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- Have neighborhood meeting to discuss emergency plans and establish a 'Neighborhood Watch'
 - Obtain copies of **Terrorism: Preparing for the Unexpected** brochure from your local Red Cross chapter and distribute at neighborhood meeting
 - Promote or arrange for people in the neighborhood to take a Red Cross CPR/AED and first aid course

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Ambulance service praised

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Lincoln County's ambulance service passed a state inspection with kudos from officials conducting the review.

Gary Mitchell, chairman of the Lincoln County Medical Center, announced Monday officials with the state Public Regulation Commission determined that all the units were extremely well maintained and they found no

violations or deficiencies.

Emergency medical services for the village of Ruidoso and the county are managed by Presbyterian HealthCare Services at the hospital and at other stations throughout the county.

A letter on the inspection states that the service was well managed and complimented the staff for its professionalism, Mitchell said, adding he's proud of the accomplishment and the work of director Jim Stover.

'Zozo clinic to get dental equipment

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Volunteers with the Lincoln County Medical Center's auxiliary will focus their energy and \$20,000 on renovating the gift/snack shop in the county-owned hospital in Ruidoso.

Hospital administrator James Gibson told county commissioners last week that the group expects to install new counters and to buy new furniture, but that no structural changes will be needed.

Members operate the shop as one of the auxiliary's money-raising efforts for the hospital.

In another matter, Gibson received approval to add up to \$7,000 to \$11,000 already authorized for the purchase of dental equipment at the county-owned Carrizozo Health Clinic managed by Presbyterian HealthCare Services, which also operates the county hospital.

He explained the request was resubmitted because when the commission approved the purchase last summer, "we inadvertently left off (equip-

ment needed) for the dentists to use the room."

The original quote only was for the hygienist, he said. He estimated the total cost at \$16,329, but with the recommendation of county manager Tom Stewart, commissioners set the cap at \$18,000.

Commissioner Earl Hobbs said since \$11,000 previously was approved by the board on July 18, 2002, only an additional \$7,000 needs to be added now.

Gibson explained that none of the money was spent when officials realized the mistake. "Our rooms need to be hygienic of being used by both (hygienists and dentists)," he said.

Commissioner Leo Martinez said he heard the waiting list for dental work in Carrizozo "is pretty extensive."

Dr. Randy Barone said part of the problem is that the clinic is being remodeled and expanded and there are only three chairs where the dentists can work. He also clarified that the equipment being purchased will replace some existing, but

15-year-old, items.

"The remodel will address an additional chair," Barone said. "Dr. Dale Goad and I will have a few separate (chairs) and we can increase dental (care) to the community."

Martinez asked if Lincoln County residents receive priority for appointments.

"It's my understanding that you serve out of county and some locals have long waits to get in," he said.

Barone said patients are accepted from all counties and from out of state.

"We try to limit indigent, Medicaid or sliding scale patients specifically to Lincoln County," he said. Those with insurance or who pay themselves are accepted from other areas, "because they are good to have."

The clinic is trying to crack down on patients who don't show up for appointments to ensure maximum use of the equipment, he said.

The clinic employs one full-time hygienist and two part-time.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Tax help here

Through April 11, tax help is being offered each Thursday and Friday at the Ruidoso Senior Center in cooperation with the American Association of Retired Persons.

Started 12 years ago, the program initially served 30 individuals with a staff of two, but the numbers have grown to 766 taxpayers with a volunteer staff of 15 people.

The services cover all of Lincoln County. The time at the Ruidoso Senior Center on Sudderth Drive is from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Part of the team also will serve three locations in the county, all between 1 p.m. and 4 p.m.; Carrizozo on March 5, Capitan on March 12 and San Patricio on March 9.

One of the features of the program is to copy all income tax forms. The Ruidoso center furnishes the machine and supplies, but the copy machine needs to be replaced.

Donations would be welcome at the center and all money will be used for a new machine.

Rotary training

Newly elected Rotary Club officers-to-be in Rotary International District 5520 will conduct a "PETS University" in Ruidoso this weekend. PETS stands for "president-elect training session."

The Rotary district encompasses most of New Mexico and Southwest Texas.

Receiving instruction in service club procedures will be presidents-elect, executive directors, secretaries, lieutenant governors, district governors and committee chairmen.

The Ramada Inn in Ruidoso Downs will be meeting headquarters, while most of the training sessions will be at the Ruidoso Convention Center.

Green Party in county

The Green Party, which achieved major party status during November's general election, is starting to organize in Lincoln County.

Stressing grassroots democracy, social justice, community-based economics, decentralization and ecological wisdom,

New Mexico Greens profess a politics based on human values and the responsibilities of citizenship, said Robert Allan.

"Lincoln County Greens are envisioned as both an educational and a political group," he said. "While fundamental concerns of the local Greens are democratic responsibility and political action, educational topics such as natural energy, chemical-free gardening, alternative education and community service also are on the Lincoln County agenda."

For more information on the new local Greens, call (505) 258-2430 weeknights after 7 p.m.

NOTABLE NEW MEXICANS

- John "Blackjack" Pershing - general
- Pope (Po-png, or Pumpkin Mountain) (1688?) - a leader of the Pueblo revolt of 1680 that drove out the Spaniards and kept them from Indian land for 12 years; a forceful leader, he tried to remove all traces of Spanish influence from Pueblo life.
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Downs council to deal with water quality firm

BY P. BLAKE MARTIN
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Today's Ruidoso Downs City Council agenda will include discussion and possible action on an agreement between the city and Livingston PC for professional engineering services for monitoring Rio Ruidoso water quality. The meeting starts at 5:30 p.m.

The council will also consider approving a request from the Downs Auxiliary for special use of the All American Park.

City Clerk Carol Virden will request approval for Destruction of Public Records Phase III.

As part of the consent agenda, the council will consider an approval to advertise for water sleeves to be purchased for slated water/sewer drainage improvements.

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OUR OPINION

Maybe, at last, a future for Fort Stanton

Preservation and development get some legislative backing

It was positive news last week that 10 legislators had signed onto a bill authorizing a commission to study preservation and development of Fort Stanton.

In fact, it might well be the first positive news since the state almost eight years ago closed the hospital that had operated at the historic old cavalry fort where both Kit Carson and Blackjack Pershing once served.

The bill has bipartisan support, sponsored by our area legislators as well as the redoubtable Rep. Max Coll, D-Santa Fe, who heads the House Appropriations and Finance Committee.

It would establish a development fund in the state treasury as a repository for grants, gifts and such. It would appropriate \$300,000 from the state's general fund to start the effort next year.

It has the earmarks of something Gov. Bill Richardson might support. We recall that Richardson said during his campaign that he would not forget Fort Stanton and its potential.

But frequent reminders from friends of Fort Stanton who live all over the state that Res. Dub Williams' HB 926 deserves every legislator's vote of approval would not be amiss in the weeks ahead.

With Ceryndipity, how about some credibility?

You probably don't care, but I will tell you anyway. When the chips are down, I'll place my bet on President George Bush rather than 7,500 Santa Fe, New Mexico, protesters of dubious motive.

To be honest, I am not a big fan of George Bush. He worries me some. I can't help wondering if he would be so pumped about taking out Osama Bin Laden.



LOOKING

S a d d a m ASKANCE
H u s s e i d h e NED CANTWELL
could have

Remember when the president would get that steely look in his eyes, chiseled chin, gazing into the camera and saying things like Osama can run but he can't hide? That was then. When is the last time you remember George Bush even mentioning Osama Bin Laden? OSB may not be in a cave at all. He may be calling down for room service.

Having said that, George Bush is the president. He is to be respected, and most of all, he deserves tremendous empathy. How would you like to make a decision that would entail untold human suffering?

When it comes to Iraq, about

which my personal knowledge would fit into a thimble with room left over, I will not be taking my cue from thousands of wild-eyed kooks who show up at a Santa Fe anti-war protest.

Unfair, perhaps. They are not all wild-eyed kooks. But the anti-war protest movement is so infiltrated with the sidious aspect, painted faces, outrageous behavior, zany proclamations, it is not to be taken seriously.

There is nothing wrong with debating the premise of war with Iraq, but the debate profits little from the antics of the lunatic fringe.

You get the feeling a lot of these folks, in Santa Fe and the other 600 cities that were the sites for recent anti-war protests, are basically disgruntled, maybe bored, humans who would show up to rally for whichever cause you placed before them: Save The Gnat!

How are we to take seriously a speaker, or the people who cheered him in Santa Fe, when he says, "I am more fearful of my government than I am of terrorism." That's idiocy, plain and simple.

Or what are we to think when a blonde-haired girl with bright blue eyes asks for the microphone? This girl has gathered much wisdom in her six years. Her parents, one can assume, have a strong sense of the whimsical or are perhaps poor spellers — or maybe both. They have named this child Ceryndipity.

As the story goes, Ceryndipity took the microphone and wowed the crowd when she said, "We should have peace and love because that helps us cooperate. That's what works in this world."

Well, isn't that special? From the mouths of babes and all that. But, God bless her, how is Ceryndipity to know Saddam's idea of cooperation includes sending a briefcase full of anthrax into Santa Fe?

What Ceryndipity said was not anti-American. But much of what goes on at these protests is borderline anti-American or just loony, and that is why they have no credibility.

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Somehere, at an undisclosed location...



GUEST COMMENTARY

Ruidoso can acquire Bonito Lake and its water

BY BILL MIDKIFF
A LINCOLN COUNTY ENGINEER

The Ruidoso Village Council undoubtedly means well. It is made up of well-meaning people. But (councilors) continue to make water policy in secret. They have not included the participation of affected parties and local experts. As a result they have missed a number of good ideas.

Historically, the village councils have a record that includes a number of poor decisions. They have chosen to implement policy that was harmful to, and continues to threaten, many residents and the environment. Allowing water from Bonito Lake to be acquired by and exported to Alamogordo and Holloman AFB was, in retrospect, a very poor decision.

Now, the village council has a chance to make a great decision that should still be remembered appreciatively in 100 years.

Alamogordo and Holloman AFB currently own the rights to about 2900 acre-feet per year from Bonito Lake. Both Senators Pete Domenici and Jeff Bingaman are supportive of the installa-

tion of a demineralization plant as part of the Tularosa Basin Regional Water Plan. Water from Bonito Lake currently supplies about 15 percent of the Alamogordo water supply. If the large water users on the east side of the mountain should be willing to support the Tularosa Basin demineralization facility, financially and politically, Alamogordo and Holloman AFB would no longer need the water from Bonito Lake.

How much would financial support cost? There would be the capital cost of expanding the size of the demineralization plant to treat an additional 2,900 acre feet per year. Then there would be the operating cost associated with actual production.

Citizens in the Ruidoso area should expect to pay the same that Alamogordo and Holloman AFB will have to pay to replace the water lost from Bonito. Don't even think of anything other than a win/win arrangement. Don't even think of acquiring Bonito Lake for free.

Acquiring Bonito Lake as suggested appears to benefit all affected parties — a win/win situation. The action would

return the lake water to its own watershed. At this time, we don't need details. We need a commitment that it is possible and desirable.

We need to involve U.S. legislators, state politicians and the County Commission to help in regional planning. We need to begin sincere dialogue. At a time when Ruidoso is struggling just to collect enough water to get through the summer weekends and both Alto and Ruidoso Downs are thirsty, we need regional cooperation.

The decision to acquire Bonito Lake would let the village repair many of the poor decisions from the past and give the community some flexibility in planning to accommodate reasonable, managed growth.

Talk to your Congressman, Steve Pearce. Talk to your legislator, Dub Williams. Talk to your favorite council member or commission member. Tell them if you would or would not support funding a water authority to acquire Bonito Lake.

Bill Midkiff, an independent engineer, has spent years studying area water problems.

YOUR OPINION

Giving Bush the benefit of the doubt, for now

To the editor:

Since Sept. 11, 2001, we have had several false terrorist alerts. I believe that the terrorists are causing the false alarms to keep our country in turmoil. At present, the following is merely "food for thought":

Most, if not all, politicians are power hungry. Many of them would usurp total power from the people if left unchecked.

Rulers cannot increase their powers without simultaneously reducing their people's freedom.

Throughout history, governmental leaders have concocted enemies of the state in order to gain the support of their subjects. In addition, they have contrived crises to increase their own power, like President Johnson's fabricated Gulf of Tonkin incident.

During crises, real or perceived, most individuals are willing to give up some of their freedoms, because they often erroneously feel that by doing so will enable their leaders to better ensure the citizenry's welfare. Unfortunately, rights that are supposedly to be only temporarily suspended are often lost forever.

I believe that increases in homeland security must not be made at the expense of the Bill of Rights; "Live free or die!" On the other hand, beware of the ACLU members who are distorting the Bill of Rights to merely further their ultra-liberal agenda.

I must place my loyalty to the American people above my loyalty to our governmental leaders. Currently, I support President Bush, our country's enhanced homeland security measures,

and our war on terrorism. Today, I am giving our federal officials the benefit of the doubt; however, I will remain vigilant.

*Franklin L. Boren
Tinnie*

End cockfighting

To the editor:

The New Mexico Legislature currently has before it for consideration SB 64, which would end cockfighting once and for all in New Mexico and establish a penalty for its violation as a fourth degree felony.

New Mexico is currently only one of

two states that allows cockfighting. It's time New Mexico joined the other states to ban it.

Currently, 13 New Mexico counties and 28 New Mexico municipalities have banned cockfighting. A 2001 poll of New Mexico voters showed that more than 81 percent of our state supports a ban on cockfighting. Law enforcement, the faith community, veterinarians, domestic violence advocates and numerous chambers of commerce support the cockfighting ban.

Let's all urge our state representatives and senators to support SB 64.

*Robert L. Trimble
Glencoe*

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Water may go to U.S. 70

Two applications would help highway construction crews

BY DIANNE STALLINGS

RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

One acre foot equates to about 325,800 gallons of water.

Two applications to the New Mexico State Engineer would provide water for construction on U.S. 70.

David and Vonna Stevens and Mike Levi of Rio Street in Ruidoso recently filed applications for permits to temporarily change the point of diversion and place of use on 3.25 acre feet per year of surface water from the H. Fritz Spring and 4.875 acre feet of surface and supplemental groundwater from the same spring.

The diversion at the "move from" location is metered and the "move to" site also will be metered. The rights would revert to the original place and purpose when construction is completed.

The move-from sites are about 1 1/2 miles northwest from the intersection of U.S. 380 and U.S. 70. One move-to point is located in Hondo and the other at the intersection of the two highways.

Lack of practice area nixes RHS Portales play

The high school drama teacher fears a performance at the new school theater is also in limbo.

BY SANDY SUGGITT

RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The Ruidoso High School Drama Club attended the 48th Annual High School Drama Festival at Eastern New Mexico University in Portales Feb. 20-22 in the University Theatre Centre.

Ruidoso drama teacher Cathi McIntosh said the group didn't perform at the festival because they could not find a space in Ruidoso to do the blocking in preparation for

their performance.

"For the first time in 10 years, we didn't take a one-act play to Portales for the competition because we had no theater space to rehearse in, because the theater hasn't been officially turned over to the schools," McIntosh said.

She said she'd hoped to use the theater last week and block in three days but the classes were not allowed there, so they had to cancel their show.

The play, "Help Wanted," is scheduled to be performed at the grand opening of the Ruidoso Schools Performing Arts Center at 2:30 p.m. March 2. McIntosh said the drama students were not

allowed to block Monday and Tuesday this week, and if they aren't allowed into the theater for extra rehearsals the rest of the week, they won't be able to perform the play.

"This class has been in a very tiny room and dressing room all year waiting for the theater to open, and we've been told we could use it sixth period for the next four days, which isn't enough time to get the blocking done," McIntosh said. "If we can't be there Friday and Saturday, we won't be able to perform."

The Drama Club went to the festival in Portales for the learning experience, even

without a play to perform. Almost all of the 27 New Mexico high schools in attendance performed a one-act play, and besides these, there were two 1 1/2-hour workshops each day on every facet of theater.

McIntosh said her students are working on their May 2-4 performance of "South Pacific," which takes place in the 1940s, and the workshops on '40s costumes and hairdos will be useful for that.

The ENMU Department of Theatre and Dance presented their performance of "Arsenic and Old Lace," followed by a dance.

FUNERALS DEATHS

Jan McAlpin

A gathering of the friends of Jan McAlpin, 66, will be at 4 p.m. Thursday in the pavilion at Alto Lakes Golf & Country Club, and visitation will be from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Sunday, March 2, at Graham Mortuary, 555 W. Amador, Las Cruces.

Ms. McAlpin died Monday, Feb. 17, in Las Cruces.

She was born Feb. 27, 1937, in Wisconsin.

She lived in Ruidoso three years and was an active member at Alto Lakes Golf & Country Club, and an outstanding golfer.

Arsenia Narvaez

A prayer service for Arsenia Narvaez, 82, of Carrizozo, was Feb. 20 at Santa Rita's Catholic Church, where the funeral Mass was on Feb. 21, with burial at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. The Rev. Dave Bergs officiated.

Mrs. Narvaez died Tuesday, Feb. 18, 2003, in Albuquerque.

She was born Dec. 22, 1920, in Encinoso.

She lived in Lincoln County all of her life. She was a homemaker and a member of Santa Rita's Catholic Church.

She married Jake Narvaez on July 16, 1938, in Carrizozo, and he preceded her in death on March 25, 1998.

Survivors include a son, Pete Daniel, of Carrizozo; daughters Irene Montano and Minnie Herrera, both of Carrizozo, Noyloa Scott of Edgewood, Linda Ortiz, Julia Ninez and Geneva Barnes, all of Albuquerque; sisters Pauline Chivoni of Las Cruces, and Delores Chavez of Carrizozo;

13 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

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

Joe McCowen

Services for Joe McCowen, 64, of Post, Texas, will be at 2 p.m. today at 1st United Methodist Church in Lubbock, Texas, with the Rev. Steve Rogers officiating. Burial will be at 4 p.m. in Peaceful Gardens in Lubbock under the direction of Hudman Funeral Home in Post.

Mr. McCowen died Monday, Feb. 24, 2003, at his residence.

He was born June 18, 1938, in Snyder, Texas.

He married Margie Summers.

He was a past president of the Antelope Booster Club, a member of the Post Chamber of Commerce. He owned and operated service stations in Post for many years and later worked on the Alaskan Pipeline. He was a Methodist.

Survivors include his wife, Margie McCowen, of Ruidoso; daughters Nancy McDonald of Post, Patty Pruitt of Lubbock, and Miranda McCowen of Ruidoso; his father, Allon McCowen of Slaton, Texas; a brother, Bobby McCowen of Houston, Texas; a sister, Carolyn Countryman of Watanga, Texas; and six grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to West Texas Parkinson Society, 3506 21st, Suite 402, Lubbock, TX 79410.

Lem Clarke

Services for Lemuel "Lem" Clarke, 84, of Ruidoso will be at

3 p.m. Friday, Feb. 28, at LaGrone Funeral Chapel, with burial to follow at Fort Stanton Cemetery, with Carl Parsons and Kim Chesser officiating.

Mr. Clarke died Friday, Feb. 21, 2003, in Ruidoso.

He was born July 27, 1918, in Groesbeck, Texas.

He had lived in Ruidoso since 1980 moving from Fort Worth, Texas.

He served in the Army during World War II, receiving the Purple Heart. He was a member of the American Legion, Disabled American Veterans, the Lions Club and Gateway Church of Christ. He was retired from civil service.

He married Thena Hutchens on Dec. 23, 1942, at Alton, Ill.

Survivors include his wife, Thena, of Ruidoso; a son, James D. Clarke, and his wife, Danashu, of Borne, Texas; a daughter, Donna Sue Earle,

and her husband, Bob, of Destin, Fla.; sisters Elivs Phillips of Wichita Falls, Texas, and Hallie Strickland of Ft. Worth; grandchildren James D. Clarke Jr., LeAnn Swartz and her husband, Robert, Steven E. Earle and his wife, Cari, Laura P. Earle; and two great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to Christian Services of Lincoln County or Hospice of Lincoln County.

The family of Annette Sandoval would like to thank everyone for their calls, letters, visits, and prayers of condolence for her passing, especially Belinda Montoya. A Memorial will be held at the Catholic Church in Tularosa at a later date to be announced in St. Eleanor's Church Bulletin.

Sincerely,
Michael Sandoval, her loving husband
David & Yvonne Marrujo, her parents
and siblings: Cathy, David, Patsy, Laura, & their families

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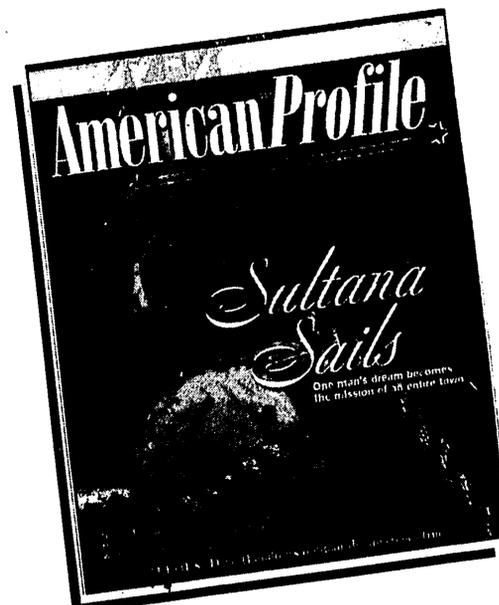
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Sanchez chosen for Miss N.M. pageant

New Mexico Highlands University student Bethany Sanchez received top honors when crowned as Miss Las Vegas Jan. 25, and will represent Las Vegas in the Miss New Mexico Scholarship Pageant in June.



Bethany Sanchez

Sanchez is an NMHU honor student and graduated from Hondo High School in 1999 at the top of her class. She is the daughter of Reyes and Yvonne Sanchez of San Patricio.

Listed at The Citadel

Cadet Andrew Francis Murtaugh of Nogal, son of Francine Marchant Murtaugh, achieved dean's list status at The Citadel, The Military College of South Carolina, for the fall semester of the 2002-2003 academic year.

Dean's list recognition is given to those cadets registered for 12 or more semester hours whose grade point ratio is 3.2 or higher, with no grade below a C for the previous semester's work.

National Honor Roll

Thirteen students from the Ruidoso area qualified for induction into the 2002-2003 National Honor Roll. They are: Vicki Celusniak, Glen Cheng, Guy Griffin, Brendan Lacounte, Rebekah Leblanc, Erica March, Jessica Neal, Chris Niemerg, Natasha Parker, Tamara Pelkey, Kelly Rigby, Clarissa Silva and Lydia Warren.

Arts supported

SANTA FE — The House

Appropriations and Finance Committee gave overwhelming support (12-1 vote) to a bill that would restore fine arts education to the curriculum of kindergarten and elementary school students.

HB-12 would establish the Fine Arts Education Act within the Public School Code, to provide opportunities for elementary students to participate in fine arts activities. The act defines "fine arts activities" as music, theater, dance and visual arts, and would require school boards to develop and evaluate fine arts programs for elementary schools.

Post-grad plan OK'd

SANTA FE — The House of Representatives passed HB-305, the Next Step Plan for graduating seniors, by a vote of 57 to 12. Rep. Sheryl Williams-Stapleton, D-Albuquerque, a long time educator, introduced the legislation with the governor's support to strengthen graduation rates in New Mexico high schools.

The Next Step Plan extends already existing career counseling that starts at ninth grade to planning for life beyond graduation. Next Step mandates a plan for students beyond high school graduation. The goal is to insure that all graduating seniors have career counseling. The press release states: "No student slips through the crack and is directionless upon graduation."

High schools will send letters to students and parents explaining Next Step and the importance of looking beyond high school while still in high school to plan a student's future. The plan asks them to put in writing employment opportunities (summer as well as long term), personal interests and personal plans following graduation (including family or financial commitments or needs).

■ Many 8th-grade students will be shadowing jobs in Ruidoso again this Friday.

Niki Hudson, at right, answers a child's question during recess during her shadow day at Nob Hill Early Childhood Center



CERANNE OSBORNE PHOTO

Job encounters of the eighth-grade kind



CERANNE OSBORNE PHOTO

Joey Baldonado, who picked Lincoln County Emergency Medical services for his learning experience, checks out a monitor in an ambulance.



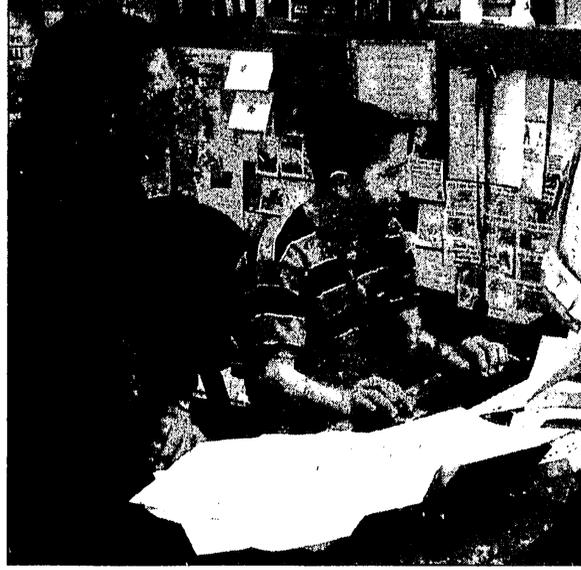
ELLE VARGAS PHOTO

Shadow Gerren Peralto discusses forestry techniques with his mentor John Cervantes, helicopter manager with the forestry division of the Bureau of Indian Affairs.



SANDY SUGGITT/STAFF

Cliff Sears, chief editor at Trident Communications, explains to shadow Armando Perez how a sound room operates, while shadow reporters Elle Vargas, far right, and Ceranne Osborne take notes.



SANDY SUGGITT/STAFF

Daniel Lucero shadowed Ruidoso News sports editor Todd Fuqua in and outside the office. One of his photos is in today's sports section.

Elle Vargas and Ceranne Osborne chose to work at the Ruidoso News for Job Shadow Day Jan. 21. They interviewed other eighth-grade "shadows" and their mentors at workplaces in Mescalero and Ruidoso.

BY ELLE VARGAS AND CERANNE OSBORNE FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Joey Baldonado sat in a small room with his two mentors, licensed emergency medical technicians Loretta Kirk and Susie Betti. Their conversation was interrupted by a call ringing in on the 911 hotline.

The person on the telephone reported that an elderly woman fell at Ruidoso High School. The pair of EMTs jumped to their feet and headed for the ambulance parked out front with Joey hot on their heels, his heart pounding.

The trio hopped into the ambulance and sped toward the high school. When they arrived, Joey helped the EMTs strap the fallen woman on a backboard and they carried her back out to the waiting ambulance. As they loaded the woman inside, Joey looked around and knew that he made the right choice for his Shadow Day job.

Job Shadow Day, a program for eighth graders at Ruidoso Middle School, allows students to select fields of future job interest. After turning in applications and resumes, they spend one day at their employers' businesses.

This year, a snow storm caused chaos, prompting a school-day cancellation and confusion on scheduling. The event was set for Friday with some last-minute scrambling by teachers trying to confirm with their students and the employers.

Several students were tracked down at their jobs, starting with Gerren Peralto, who was working at the forestry division of the Bureau of Indian Affairs. He had just finished a tour with his mentor, John Cervantes, who is helicopter manager. Cervantes showed Peralto a model of a helicopter because the real ones won't arrive at the BIA until April, the height of the fire season. Peralto also was briefed on logging and cartography, or map-making.

The experience was enough to pique his interest for a future career, he said.

"It's fun. I like being outdoors and I'd like to learn to fly helicopters someday," he said.

The job shadow experi-

ence also was a first for the forestry division of the BIA, Cervantes said.

"I think it's great," Cervantes said. "I wish they had something like that for us when I was growing up."

Trident Communications, where Armando Perez was shadowing for the day, was the next stop. Cliff Sears, chief editor of the business, explained that the company creates advertisements and commercials for local businesses, such as Barnett Carpet. Although company representatives work in more than 32 cities throughout Texas, New Mexico, and Colorado, they're based in Ruidoso.

Perez and Sears sat at a monitor surrounded by a room full of colored buttons and dials, talking about setting up systems for the ads. Sears gave a tour of the sound room, where voices heard on commercials are recorded. Using "toners," the technicians can change a person's voice slightly to make it sound more calm and natural.

Perez said he chose this assignment because, "I was interested in the media. I want to be a movie director."

At Nob Hill Early Childhood Learning Center, student Niki Hudson was substituting for the usual teacher, Mary Mason. At recess, she said some of the children may respond differently to her than the real teacher, but not significantly. She oversaw the children as they worked on some worksheets and helped them correct mistakes.

Mason said Hudson "is very good with the kids and has a lot of patience. It seems as though under Niki's short influence, the kids seem to behave the same as they do under my long-term influence."

Surrounded by a group of children and obviously enjoying it, Hudson said she hopes to become a pediatrician. Back at the ambulance hub at the Lincoln County Medical Center, Baldonado and his mentors, Betti and Kirk, were waiting for the next emergency call. Baldonado already had racked up three calls earlier in the day.

Kirk said the ambulance crews "enjoy having the kids come by and get a feel for what we do everyday."

While he was there, Baldonado administered oxygen, checked blood pressure and strapped a patient to a backboard. He said he chose that field "because it's the most interesting, and you can help people if they get hurt."

SCHOOL MENUS

Capitan

Wednesday, Feb. 26 — Breakfast: Ham bar, cereal, juice or fruit

Lunch: Spaghetti, beef and bean burrito, corn dog, salad, cheese biscuits, corn, fruit

Thursday, Feb. 27 — Breakfast: Peanut butter and jelly sandwich, juice or fruit

Lunch: Chopped steak, chicken patty, steak fingers, Tater Tots, veggie sticks, creamy noodles, fruit

Friday, Feb. 28 — Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, cereal, juice or fruit

Lunch: Frito pie, chili cheese dog, beef and bean burrito, salad, pinto beans, crackers, fruited Jell-O

Monday, March 3 — Breakfast: Waffles sausage, fruit or juice

Lunch: Red chili enchiladas, chicken patty, tamale, pinto beans, salad, crackers, fruit

Tuesday, March 4 — Breakfast: Cheese toast, hot cereal, fruit or juice

Lunch: Baked ham, chopped steak, chicken patty, cheesy potatoes, green beans, roll, fruit

Carriozozo

Wednesday, Feb. 26 — Breakfast: Oatmeal muffin

Lunch: Chicken nuggets, French fries, dinner rolls, peaches

Thursday, Feb. 27 — Breakfast: Bagel with jelly

Lunch: Combination burritos, garden salad, corn, mixed fruit

Friday, Feb. 28 — Breakfast: Quesadilla

Lunch: Chicken sandwich, Tater Tots, tossed salad, chilled fruit

Monday, March 3 — Breakfast: Cheese toast

Lunch: Hamburger, french fries, garden salad, peaches, milk

Tuesday, March 4 — Breakfast: sausage biscuit

Lunch: Beef & macaroni, rolls, green beans, pears, milk

Hondo Valley

Wednesday, Feb. 26 — Breakfast: Breakfast combo, juice

Lunch: Pizza, fresh vegetables, tossed salad, fruit cocktail

Thursday, Feb. 27 — Breakfast: Bagels, applesauce

Lunch: Spaghetti, corn, pears, roll

Monday, March 3 — Breakfast:

French toast

Lunch: Ham-cheese hoagie, pasta salad, fresh fruit, oatmeal cookie

Tuesday, March 4 — Breakfast: Breakfast burrito

Lunch: Baked chicken, mashed potato, veggie sticks, banana, roll

Ruidoso elementary

Wednesday, Feb. 26 — Breakfast: Biscuits and gravy

Lunch: Taco salad, beans, MexiCorn, salsa, fruit

Thursday, Feb. 27 — Breakfast: Pizza sticks

Lunch: Spaghetti, green beans, roll, fruit

Friday, Feb. 28 — Breakfast: Peanut butter and jelly rolls

Lunch: Hamburger, seasoned French fries, hamburger fixings, applesauce

Ruidoso Middle School

Wednesday, Feb. 26 — Breakfast: Biscuits and gravy

Lunch: Taco salad, beans, MexiCorn, salsa, fruit

Thursday, Feb. 27 — Breakfast: Pizza sticks

Lunch: Spaghetti, green beans, roll, fruit

Friday, Feb. 28 — Breakfast: Cereal

Lunch: Beef and potato burrito, seasoned French fries, salad, fruit

Ruidoso High School

Wednesday, Feb. 26 — Breakfast: Pancakes, breakfast pizza, biscuits and gravy

Lunch: Corn dog, seasoned French fries, mixed vegetables, tossed salad, fruit

Thursday, Feb. 27 — Breakfast: Donut, scrambled eggs with toast, manager's choice

Lunch: Spaghetti, corn, roll, salad, fruit

Friday, Feb. 28 — Breakfast: Biscuits and gravy, toast, peanut butter cup, French toast sticks

Lunch: Chef's salad, crackers, fruit, Jell-O

NOTE:

Ruidoso school lunch menus for Monday and Tuesday, March 3-4, were not available

LINCOLN COUNTY

Ruidoso officials hear water worries at 'Zozo meeting

■ Village water consultant Len Stokes said Ruidoso isn't going to drill wells near Carrizozo any time soon.

BY JULIE CARTER
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

In a special Carrizozo Town Council meeting held Monday night, Town Attorney David Stevens addressed the council and a full room of residents and area ranchers.

Stevens stated, "I have advised the town to protest any application that contemplated drilling of wells in the Tularosa Basin for export of water into the Ruidoso Basin."

Stevens continued, "That is still my position, still my advice. My advice to the town is to jealously guard every source of water that we have, to protect our ability to grow and our existing citizenry with plenty of water."

Len Stokes, water supply consultant for the Village of Ruidoso, asked to address the issue from the podium. In an attempt to explain the Ruidoso's reasons for the filings, Stokes outlined the strategy he had recommended to Ruidoso.

"Several months ago we were

approached by different parties in the basin over here to look at some water. We decided to explore that. Before we did that we wanted to be on solid ground where we couldn't be held hostage. In order to do that, I filed applications to appropriate what is the unappropriated ground water in this portion of the basin. It was done so where a speculator over here couldn't see us negotiating, come over here and do the same thing and hold us hostage."

Stokes said at this time the village does not have plans to proceed with developing the drilling of the wells and following through on the applications. "I would encourage you to protest the applications, and by doing so you have tied up those applications and you can hold Ruidoso accountable for anything they are doing."

"We do not want to do anything that would impair the existing water rights holders in the village of Carrizozo or any of Lincoln County," he continued. Stokes declared again

that at this time the village has no plans to condemn land or pursue anything adverse at all.

Mayor Manny Hernandez opened the floor to questions, which began an onslaught of direct queries from concerned residents. When questioned about the current studies of water volumes, Stokes stood on the premise that "first a completely hydrologic study has to be done," and promised that the village would do nothing without first meeting with the town and land owners involved.

One of the concerns voiced by Carrizozo residents concerned Ruidoso's ability to govern and restrict the usage of the water they currently have. Golf course watering was discussed and Stokes stated that The Links course waters from private wells and the village of Ruidoso has no controls over that. When asked if the village was still issuing building permits, Mike Runnels, Ruidoso planning director, said it was.

Northern Tularosa Basin rancher

Lerry Bond reminded Stokes that it is not just the town of Carrizozo that would be affected by these filings. "I want you to realize, when you are dealing with the Tularosa basin, it goes nearly all the way to Corona. So taking water out of the Tularosa basin affects more than Carrizozo. It affects everybody up north. So we are all taking this very, very seriously."

Runnels reiterated the need for all parties concerned to find out undeniably just how much water there is in the basin.

"If this community wants to grow, if any community wants to grow, they need to know if they have a dependable water supply," Runnels explained. "... (The filing) was interpreted as an offensive move. I can assure that the village council did not intend it to be taken that way. Now I know it was, and if you want an apology from the Village of Ruidoso, I'll offer you one. We want to be good neighbors; but we can't sit here and pretend we don't have a water problem."

A Carrizozo rancher asked Runnels and Stokes if Ruidoso had a timeline, plan or budget to go ahead with the hydrological survey. "We don't have any of that," Runnels answered.

Stokes reiterated that the filings were made only to take them out of the aforementioned "hostage situation," but added, "When we do have those plans we'll do it publicly and you will know. If the council decides to go ahead with the hydrological study, it will probably be done in the next year or two."

Tom Springer, chairman of the Tularosa Basin and Salt Basin Regional Water Planning Committee, expressed his concern about the methods taken by Ruidoso. He said that finding out how much water and where it is in the Tularosa basin could have been done without filing with the State Engineer. He expressed further concerns about the salinity of the water and the future considerations of substituting Tularosa Basin water for Bonito water.

After an executive session, a motion made and passed unanimously for Stevens to proceed with filing of applications for acquiring unappropriated water rights.

The discussion on proposed water and sewer ordinances was tabled until a special meeting to be held March 10 at 6 p.m.

The next regular city council meeting will be March 11 at 6 p.m.

Hail to the chiefs

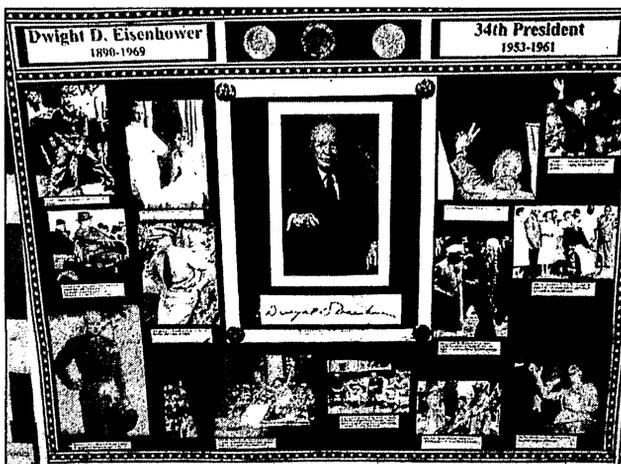
BY JULIE CARTER
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Third and fourth graders at Carrizozo Elementary have spent the month of February researching and documenting the lives and presidencies of the U.S. presidents since George Washington.

Each student was assigned a president to research. They were required first to do a set of note cards outlining the man from birth throughout his life. Details, stories, trivia and facts were also included.

The next part of the project was to build a photo and information poster board. The half of the elementary school is lined with the results of that project. Overhead is a banner that reads, "Hail to the chiefs." The children's creativity is present on each individual board.

Finally, a written report was due on Feb. 24. The students will orally give a report on their respective president for an oral



Carrizozo fourth grader Kylie Gaines chose Dwight D. Eisenhower for her presidential project.

presentation grade. Rima Davis and Anne Serna are the third and fourth grade teachers respectively. Davis smiled with delight when she talked about hearing the students exchanging trivia and data about the presidents and it's apparently been a very successful learning project for them.

Watch out for trans fats

This week's column is by Karen Halderson, Extension Service Diabetes Coordinator, and adapted from Diabetes Forecast.

The Institute of Medicine has released a report that states that trans fats have no good effects on the body and should be removed from the diet as much as possible.

Trans fats raise levels of LDL ("bad" cholesterol) and probable lower levels of HDL cholesterol ("good" cholesterol). Some researchers believe that trans fats may be worse for the heart than saturated fat. The report recommends that "trans fatty acid consumption be as low as possible while consuming a nutritionally adequate diet."

What are trans fats? Trans fats are made by adding hydrogen to polyunsaturated fats to make them solid at room temperature.

Trans fats are found naturally in small amounts in dairy products, beef and lamb. But almost all trans fats are found in processed foods.

Currently nutrition labels aren't required to list trans fat content. By next year, the FDA will require food manufacturers to list trans fats on nutrition labels. For now, the best bet is to avoid hydrogenated or partially hydrogenated oils when possible.

Stick margarine and vegetable shortening are two major sources of trans fats. Instead, use olive oil, canola oil, tub or liquid margarine or trans fat free spreads.

Other foods that are usually high in trans fat, saturated fat or both are pastries, doughnuts, French fries, potato chips, corn chips, crackers, cookies, fast food and fried food at restaurants.

Since people with diabetes are at risk for heart disease, it is a good idea to cut back as much as possible on trans fats. When the trans fat content of food is listed on the nutrition label, this will be easier to do. For now, remember, processed foods that are high in saturated fat are most likely also be high in trans fats.



Hints for the Home
BY MARSHA PALMER

LINCOLN COUNTY
EXTENSION AGENT -
HOME ECONOMICS

Sederwall second to quit LCSWA board this month

BY LIONEL W. LIPPMANN
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

In a memo to the Capitan Board of Trustees dated Feb. 20, Capitan Mayor Steven Sederwall announced his resignation from the Board of Directors of the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority.

In the memo, Sederwall wrote, "Their (LCSWA's) actions are illegal in the matter

(sic) in which they hired the Operational Supervisor (Debra Ingle). In that matter it was an illegal hire as well as a violation of the Open Meetings Act. Even after I brought this to their attention two members chose to 're-hire' the Operational Supervisor in a vote that did not have enough 'Yes' votes to carry (sic) according to the Joint Powers Agreement.

"I will not be a part of a board

that is acting in an illegal manner."

The position stated in his memo of resignation represents that which Sederwall has repeatedly voiced at LCSWA Board of Directors meetings.

At the meeting Sederwall refers to in his memo, the entire Board of Directors was present as well as Don Dutton, then the attorney for LCSWA.

After a lengthy executive ses-

sion, during which the legality of the operational supervisor was apparently discussed, the board reconvened and a motion was made to rehire the operational supervisor. The vote on the motion was two for and three abstentions. Chairman Don Coleman announced that the motion carried.

Carrizozo LCSWA representative Angelo Vega also resigned this month.

Volunteers look to rejuvenate Carrizozo greenhouse

BY JULIE CARTER
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

A group of residents forming a volunteer group called Friends of Carrizozo Schools have begun repairs and reconstruction on the greenhouse formerly used by FFA/Ag classes.

In a joint venture with the school, the volunteers give their time and knowledge, backed up with some school financing, to bring the greenhouse back to a functioning building.

The group has made an eight-foot bulletin board that will be hung in the Recreation Center. The board will feature a time line for construction and planting and caretaking operations.

Volunteers can sign up on the board for time slots and jobs in which they would like to participate. The board is currently being decorated by school kids and will be in the Recreation Center by March 7.

Seventy-five clay pots have been donated for the tomato plants and other items are being located or acquired to further the

plans. Heat and electricity are now operational and the water access is being worked out. More volunteers are always welcome and one- or two-hour time slots will keep the greenhouse functioning and producing.

Although nothing definite has been decided for what to grow, ideas have included a salsa garden where students can participate in the growing of the ingredients through the canning and labeling stage. Offering produce at a summer farmer market is another option, although volumes will be small.

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DISTRICT COURT

Civil cases

The following civil cases were filed in Lincoln County District Court in Carrizozo. They are identified by the date, the plaintiff and defendant, the type of action and the docket number.

Jan. 15 - Discover Bank by its servicing agent, Discover Financial Services Inc. vs. Robert C. Brecher; complaint for breach of agreement and for debt and money due; CV2003-07.

Jan. 15 - The state of Texas vs. James White; cover sheet to authenticate final judgment; CV03-08.

Jan. 15 - Karen K. Callahan vs. all unknown claimants of interest adverse to plaintiff; complaint to quiet title; CV03-09.

Jan. 21 - First National Bank of Ruidoso vs. Aracelli Elias and unknown spouse, if any; complaint for debt and money due; CV03-10.

Jan. 22 - Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation vs. Walter Wilson and Patty Wilson; order transferring this cause from the 12th Judicial District Court in Otero County to the 12th Judicial District Court in Lincoln County; CV03-11.

Jan. 27 - Morequity Inc., a Delaware corporation, vs. Carlos R. Preciado and Penny Preciado, husband and wife, the county of Lincoln, the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority, Joe and Jane Doe tenants, occupiers or possessors; complaint for foreclosure; CV03-12.

Jan. 28 - American General Finance Inc., a Delaware corporation, vs. Corinne Chavez, a single woman, Corina R. Grijalva Chavez, a single woman, John Doe spouse, Elizabeth Weber and Vernon Weber, husband and wife, and John and Jane Doe tenants, occupiers or possessors; complaint for foreclosure; CV03-13.

Jan. 28 - ABN Amro Mortgage Group Inc. vs. Fernando L. Picazo, Taxation and Revenue Department of New Mexico, John and Jane Doe tenants; complaint for foreclosure, to determine title to property and other relief; CV03-14.

Jan. 31 - Leasecomm

Corporation vs. Michael McMillion; notice of filing foreign judgment; CV03-15.

Feb. 4 - Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc., solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, vs. Susan M. Pryce, First National Bank of Ruidoso, John and Jane Doe tenants and any unknown spouse of Susan M. Pryce, is any; complaint for foreclosure; CV03-17.

Feb. 4 - Mountain Top Inc., a New Mexico corporation, vs. Shawn Wallis; complaint to quiet title; CV03-18.

Feb. 5 - Conseo Bank Inc., doing business as Mill Creek Bank Inc., vs. Wesley D. and Carey G. Harkey; complaint for breach of contract, foreclosure of security agreements and unjust enrichment; CV03-19.

Feb. 7 - State National Bank, a New Mexico banking corporation, successor in interest to Ruidoso State Bank, vs. Terry A. Stubbs; complaint for debt and money due; CV03-21.

Feb. 10 - Northwest Bank Minnesota, N.A., as trustee under that certain pooling and servicing agreement dated June 1, 1997, for Southern Pacific Secured Assets Corp., Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Pass-through certificates Series 1997-2, vs. Sherill Zamora and First Interstate Bank; complaint for foreclosure; CV03-22.

Feb. 11 - Antonio Sanchez vs. Ruidoso Municipal School District, Rodney Webb and Cindy Thompson; complaint for damages for personal injuries under the New Mexico Tort Claims Act; CV03-23.

Feb. 13 - State National Bank, a Texas banking corporation formerly known as Ruidoso State Bank, vs. Twila J. Vantiger, now known as Twila J. Vantiger-Becker, and Michael Becker, wife and husband; complaint for money judgment and foreclosure of mortgage; CV03-24.

Feb. 13 - Velsicol Chemical Corporation et al. vs. John E. Shapiro; petition for issuance of out of state subpoena; CV03-25.

Feb. 14 - Cit Group/Commercial Services Inc., a New York corporation, vs. Evelyn's Inc. a New Mexico corporation, doing business as

Evelyn's Fashion; complaint for breach of contract and suit on open account; CV03-26.

Feb. 14 - Kimberlee K. Preston, a single woman, and H.B.P. Inc., a Texas corporation, and Cole Preston Inc., a Texas corporation; complaint for foreclosure of mortgage and debt and money due; CV03-27.

Feb. 14 - Jack and Bertha Watson vs. Barry Labrecque; notice of appeal; CV03-28.

Feb. 17 - Tiara Del Sol Homeowner's Association vs. village of Ruidoso and Ruidoso Fire Department; complaint for damages; CV03-29

Feb. 17 - Ervin Chavez, doing business as Pine Tree Construction, vs. Wayne and Peggy Usrey, husband and wife, and Doug Lant, individually and doing business as Sierra Delta Construction, and State National Bank and Foxworth Galbraith Lumber Co.; complaint for debt and money due and for foreclosure of mechanic's lien; CV03-30.

Feb. 18 - Pra III, LLC vs. Rachel Muldowney; complaint on open account; CV03-31.

Criminal cases

The following criminal cases were filed in Lincoln County District Court in Carrizozo. They are identified by the date, the defendant, the charges and the docket number.

Jan. 21 - Myron G. Morgenstern, 49, Ruidoso; larceny more than \$240, less than \$2,500; CR2003-13.

Jan. 23 - Adam A. Estrada, no age or address listed; notice of appeal of conviction on criminal trespass and hunting without valid license; CR03-14.

Jan. 24 - Efrain Gutierrez, 34, Los Lunas; DWI fourth or subsequent; CR03-15.

Jan. 24 - Randolph W. Martinez Jr., 19, Loving; two counts receiving stolen property; CR03-16.

Jan. 28 - Don Smith, no age listed, Ruidoso Downs; assault, notice of appeal; CV03-17.

Jan. 30 - Brian Cobb, no age or address listed; notice of appeal speeding 69/55 and DWI first aggravated; CR03-18.

Jan. 31 - Courtney E. Belcher, 22, Carrizo Lodge and

Ruidoso Downs; burglary of a vehicle, larceny more than \$250, less than \$2,500, tampering with evidence and shoplifting \$100 or less; CR03-19.

Jan. 31 - David W. Vance, 40, Ruidoso; larceny over \$250, less than \$2,500, larceny over \$100, less than \$250, embezzlement over \$250 and embezzlement over \$100; CR03-20.

Jan. 31 - Ken Kulow, 34, Tucson, Ariz.; larceny over \$250; CR03-21.

Jan. 31 - Jesse D. Romero, 37, Corona; assault on household member, battery on household member, resisting, evading or obstructing a peace officer, battery upon a peace officer, criminal damage to property, aggravated battery upon peace officer and assault upon a peace officer, competency transfer order; CR03-22.

Feb. 10 - Ashley Brooke Olsen, 22, Ruidoso; possession of cocaine; CV03-23.

Feb. 10 - Kelly Trapp, 36, Capitan; two counts contributing to the delinquency of a minor, resisting, evading and obstructing an officer, DWI, first offense, concealing identify, and driving while license suspended or revoked; CR03-24.

Feb. 11 - Jeffrey J. Chavarrian, 34, Alamogordo; criminal damage to property over \$1,000 and minor buying or possessing alcoholic beverage; CR03-25.

Feb. 12 - David W. Ehmann, 21, Lubbock, Texas; burglary, breaking and entering, conspiracy and criminal damage to property; CR03-26.

Feb. 12 - Armando A. Salazar, 36, aggravated battery against a police officer, amended to battery against an officer; CR03-27.

Feb. 13 - Ricky Gurule, 34, Rio Rancho; speeding 63 in 45 mph zone, DWI aggravated, 4th offense; CR03-28.

Feb. 14 - Scott Lavelle Sapp, 29, no address; possession marijuana with intent to distribute, speeding, reckless driving, two counts of resisting or evading a police officer, use or possession of drug paraphernalia, driver must be licensed, possession of alcohol beverage in an open container; CR903-29.

Feb. 17 - Ashley Brooke

Olsen, 22, Ruidoso; possession of controlled substance; CR03-32.

Feb. 17 - Daniel Rodriguez, 23, second degree kidnapping and criminal sexual penetration; CR03-33

Domestic cases

The following domestic relations cases were filed in Lincoln County District Court in Carrizozo. They are identified by the date, the plaintiff and defendant, the type of action and the docket number.

Jan. 21 - Levi Price vs. Nicole Martin; petition to determine paternity, custody, child support and visitation; DM2003-04.

Jan. 21 - Peter Michael Hansell vs. Gina Lynn Manning Hansell; petition for dissolution of marriage; DM03-05.

Jan. 24 - Margaret Elone Morgan vs. Lawrence W. Morgan; petition for dissolution of marriage; DM03-06.

Jan. 24 - Tracy M. Patterson vs. Russell L. Patterson; petition for dissolution of marriage; DM03-07.

Jan. 24 - James S. Graham vs. Virginia A. Graham; petition for dissolution of marriage; DM03-08.

Jan. 28 - Jack Francis Valliant vs. Simone Catherine Keith; petition for dissolution of marriage; DM03-09.

Jan. 28 - Suzanne Leland vs. Cyrus Leland; petition for dissolution of marriage; DM03-10.

Jan. 28 - Brett Anthony

Maul vs. Betsy Anna Maul; divorce; DM03-11.

Jan. 30 - Susann E. Blackman vs. Robert K. Blackman; divorce; DM03-12.

Jan. 31 - Sabrina Morales vs. Manuel Alfredo Morales III; divorce; DM03-14.

Feb. 4 - Michelle Austin vs. William Charles Austin; divorce; DM03-15.

Feb. 11 - State of New Mexico, Human Services Department vs. Cesar Gutierrez; petition to determine parent and child relationship; DM03-20.

Feb. 12 - State of New Mexico, Human Services Department and state of Texas vs. Ray Edward Surrat; child support enforcement petition; DM03-21.

Jan. 16 - Rebecca Ward vs. Robert A. Ward and Robert C. Ward; petition for order of protection from domestic abuse; DV03-08.

Jan. 17 - Alba Valerio vs. Alvaro Perez; petition for order of protection from domestic abuse; DV03-09.

Jan. 21 - Kim Stange, parent of Jane Doe victim of on-going case, vs. Johnny and Michael Baca; petition for order of protection from domestic abuse; DV03-10.

Feb. 3 - Janice C. Figueroa vs. Brent Z. Figueroa; petition for order of protection from domestic abuse; DV03-11.

Feb. 7 - Elizabeth Ataway vs. Daniel and Sylvia Alarcon; petition for order of protection from domestic abuse; DV03-13.

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RUIDOSO POLICE

Household assault

Police arrested Eva C. Lane, 24, of Ruidoso, Feb. 21, charging her with aggravated assault against a household member, and cited Richard G. Warren, 24, of Ruidoso with criminal damage to property.

Juvenile drug arrest

Ruidoso police cited three males from Texas for possession of one ounce or less of marijuana Feb. 22 in the parking lot of Allsup's Convenience Store, 2820 Sudderth Drive, after an officer smelled burnt marijuana coming from a vehicle that drove up. Cited were Austin Terrence Smith, 19, of Lubbock, Texas, Jason Clarence Shairrick, 18, from Lamesa, Texas, and a 15-year-old male, also from Lamesa. All three were referred to the Juvenile Probation Office and released to grandparents of the juvenile, the report states.

Youths arrested

Police cited two male juveniles for possession of drug paraphernalia at Ruidoso Middle School at 8:15 p.m. on Feb. 22. An officer saw a Jeep drive behind the school and arrested the 15- and 16-year-old boys, referred them to the Juvenile Probation Office

and released them to their parents.

Break-in, theft

Sometime between Jan. 4 and Feb. 19, someone broke into a residence in the 300 block of Forest Lane and stole \$910 worth of television, stereo and DVD equipment, as well as miscellaneous women's pants and shirts. Officers had responded to a call about a door open, which they found had a damaged frame and locks.

House damaged

About \$200 of damage was done to a residence in the 100 block of Kenza Trail during a break-in between August 2002 and Feb. 24. Someone broke in the kitchen window, then damaged the screen and window on the door and kicked in a door on a building in the back, according to police reports.

Another break-in

Police reported a break-in Feb. 24 in the 100 block of Fern Trail, in an area where there have been other burglaries and break-ins since the beginning of the year. After prying open the spring lock, suspects ransacked the residence. The report states

that there were signs of attempts to break into a residence in the 200 block of Fern Trail, near this one.

Money missing

Corral West Ranchwear, 1709 Sudderth Drive, reported to police that \$330 was taken from a cash box in the office between Feb. 17 and 20.

Window case solved

Ruidoso police solved a case of criminal damage to property Feb. 29 in the 100 block of Crown Drive when they managed to get a confession from a 9-year-old boy that he had been throwing rocks and broke the glass door of a storage area. The boy was referred to the Juvenile Probation Office.

Dog gone

Someone stole a black and white Serbian husky with bi-colored eyes from a fenced yard in the 100 block of Raven Place while the owner was away from 7:15 to 9 p.m. Feb. 15.

Shoplifting reported

Allsup's Convenience Store, 725 Mechem Drive, reported that

someone driving a gray SUV with Texas license plates shoplifted an American Spirit cigarette display case with 20 packages of cigarettes, valued at \$139, between 11:45 and 11:56 p.m. Feb. 21.

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ROUGH ENDING

Warrior grapplers lose three to injury, but finish third overall

BY KAREN BOEHLER
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

ALBUQUERQUE — A successful state individual wrestling tournament that included a third-place team finish and nine medals — ranging from second to sixth — was tinged with what could have been tragedy for Ruidoso Friday.

On the final day of the tournament, Justin Huffmon was battling for the 140-pound title with two-time undefeated state champ and undefeated Las Vegas Robertson grappler Clinton Dale.

The match was just three seconds from ending — Dale was up 10-2 — when the Cardinal took Huffmon to the mat.

"It was hard to take him down, and I thought I'd throw him," Huffmon said Monday. "But he bear-hugged me and threw me on my back. I tried to bridge out of it to fight the pin, but my head got caught on the mat, and that's when it happened."

Huffmon's cry of pain was evident to everyone nearby, and the match was stopped as medical personnel, his coach and parents rushed to his side.

For almost 15 minutes, the

3A meet was on hold, as Huffmon was attended to.

"I was just scared for him," said coach Bryan Brown on his reaction to the injury. "Hoping he was OK and concerned about him being all right and everything. Hopefully he'll be all right. Hopefully it'll be all right. It'll be OK."

The injury was to Huffmon's lower back, and he was eventually stabilized, put onto a stretcher and taken to Presbyterian Hospital for observation.

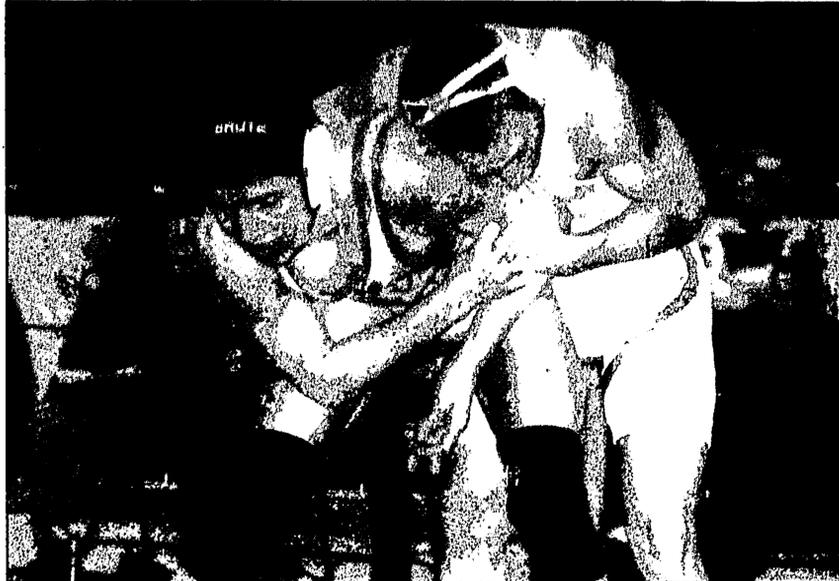
Huffmon did pull through and was walking Monday, but won't be able to wrestle in this weekend's team duals tournament in Rio Rancho.

Huffmon is one of three wrestlers Ruidoso will have to contend without, as neither Case Forrest nor Elisha Hedin will be competing with injuries of their own.

"I'm just glad I'm walking again," Huffmon said. "I'll be ready to wrestle again next year."

In a follow-up that couldn't have been better scripted in Hollywood, younger brother Cody Huffmon was scheduled to battle for third at 145 in the very next match.

And battle Cody did, taking



KAREN BOEHLER/ALAMOGORDO DAILY NEWS

Ruidoso's Justin Huffmon, left, wraps up with Robertson's Clifton Dale in the championship of the 140-pound category during the Class 3A/1A state individual tournament Friday at Tingley Coliseum in Albuquerque.

a 7-3 victory over Robertson's Matthew Concha.

"I had to wrestle right after (Justin's injury), but I was just real emotional and I got real mad," Cody said. "I guess I got my adrenaline going, because I got up there and I won it for him. I won my match for him. Third place. He got second. I

did the best I could. He did the best he could. He came out here with heart. I'm real proud of him. I think everybody's real proud of him."

Cody said his brother was on his mind through the entire match, and that was his motivation.

"Ninety-nine percent of that

match was dedicated to (Justin)," Cody said. "Everything going through my mind was him, right there, at that match."

And the remaining 1 percent?

"The 1 percent was just

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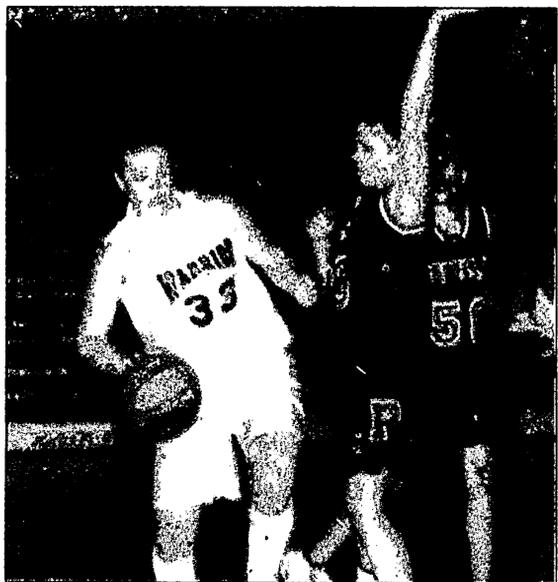


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Lady Warrior forward Dusti Franklin, left, buzzes past Portales' Tori Carter Feb. 18 at RHS. Ruidoso lost its last regular season game at Lovington Saturday, and faces the Lady Wildcats again Thursday in the first round of the District 4-3A tournament.

Lady Warriors just miss win in final district game

BY TODD FUQUA
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Four lousy, stinkin' points. That's all that came between the Ruidoso Lady Warriors and their first District 4-3A win of the year against Lovington Saturday.

Ruidoso got back to its potential again, shut down Lovington post Michelle Alexander and fell just short in a 39-36 loss.

The game didn't affect the seeding for the district tournament — Ruidoso faces Lovington again on the road Thursday at 7 p.m. in the first round — but Lady Warrior coach Greg Marez feels

even a close loss like this is a big help.

"It gave them some confidence," Marez said. "If they can play good there, they know they can win."

The game started slow and ended even slower, and Ruidoso (5-15, 0-6 district) never trailed by more than six points throughout.

A big factor in the game was the Lady Warriors' handling of Alexander, who scored just 11 points the last time the two teams met but intimidated Ruidoso

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Ruidoso drops two to Portales

BY TODD FUQUA
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After their second meeting on Friday, Ruidoso coach Billy Page was very confident his team could beat Portales in the first round of the District 4-3A tournament.

After the game was played on Monday, all that was left were questions as to why the Warriors lost.

"Maybe I substituted too much, maybe they aren't as skilled in the fundamentals, I don't know," Page said. "As a coach, it's frustrating. It's very frustrating for them."

After narrowly losing to Portales 59-52 in the final regular-season game on Friday, Ruidoso dropped a 62-39 decision Monday to bring its basketball year to a close.

Unlike Friday, the Warriors were never really in Monday's game, as the Rams (12-12) came out on fire and never really let up.

"We were close throughout the first quarter, and even into the second quarter, we were right where we wanted to be," Page said. "But about three minutes into the second quarter, things started changing."

After being down by just two, 11-9, in the first quarter, Ruidoso went cold and the Rams went on a rampage, outscoring their opponent 22-8 in the second frame to take control for good.

Fouls were a big problem for the Warriors (5-16), as they sent Portales to the line 28 times, and the Rams made them pay by sinking 24 foul shots.

"Things weren't clicking like I would have liked, and they (the Rams) were getting a lot of second and third shots," Page said. "We actually out-rebounded them, but we couldn't put the ball in the hole."

Page also said Portales focused on stopping the Warriors' inside game, and succeeded in keeping Cody Small to four points and Chance Hooper scoreless.

Overall, Auston Beier was the only Warrior with a good scoring night, as he put in 16 points, 12 of them from outside the three-point line.

Portales, meanwhile, had balanced scoring



TODD FUQUA/STAFF

Patrick Vallant goes up for two among a sea of red Portales jerseys Friday during the Ruidoso Warriors' 59-52 loss at RHS. The Warriors lost again to Portales Monday in the District 4-3A tournament to finish the season.

all around. All but three Rams contributed, and the team was led by Rustin Self with 13 points and Chris Carter with 10.

First game closer

When these two teams hooked up on Friday in the regular season finale, it was a much different story.

Ruidoso had its chances to take the lead several times, but was rebuffed repeatedly by the Rams' ability to get the shot they needed, when they needed.

Twice, the Warriors found themselves down by just one point, and twice, the Rams got a shot at the buzzer to put some distance between them and Ruidoso.

Near the end of the first half, the Warriors

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side line

Ski Report

Ski Apache
New Snow Past Week: 15 in.
Weather at Report Time: Cloudy
Road at Report Time: Mostly wet, no chains needed on two-wheel-drive vehicles.
Midway Depth: 43 in.
Surface Conditions: Powder and packed powder
Skiing Conditions: Excellent
Trails Open: All 55 trails
Lifts Open: All 11 lifts
Snowmaking Past 24 Hours: No
Forecast: Mostly cloudy with chance of snow showers through Thursday

Prep Results

Thursday, Feb. 20
Boys Basketball
Carrizozo 49, Bosque Prep 40
Girls Basketball
Carrizozo 70, Bosque Prep 25

Friday, Feb. 21
Boys Basketball
Portales 59, Ruidoso 52
Capitan 69, Cloudcroft 46
Alamo Navajo 67, Mescalero 35
Girls Basketball
Capitan 73, Cloudcroft 55
Mescalero 97, Alamo Navajo 71

Saturday, Feb. 22
Boys Basketball
Tatum 101, Mescalero 37
Girls Basketball
Tatum 63, Mescalero 36
Lovington 39, Ruidoso 36

Monday, Feb. 24
Boys Basketball
District 4-3A Tournament
Portales 62, Ruidoso 39
Girls Basketball
District 7-1A Tournament
Corona at Mountainair, 6 p.m.
District 8-1A Tournament
Mescalero 92, Lake Arthur 18
Hondo 46, Gateway Christian 36

Preps on Tap

Wednesday, Feb. 26
Girls Basketball
District 8-1A Tournament
Hondo at Mescalero, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 27
Girls Basketball
District 4-3A Tournament
Ruidoso at Lovington, 7 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 28
Girls Basketball
District 7-1A Championship at Carrizozo, 6 p.m.
Wrestling
Ruidoso vs. Robertson in Class 1A/3A State Duals at Rio Rancho, 2 p.m.

Saturday, March 1
Wrestling
Class 1A/3A State Duals at Rio Rancho, TBA

On Deck

Spring soccer sign-up
Spring soccer sign-ups will be held March 1 in the White Mountain Elementary School cafeteria, and all players — even if they registered and played in the fall league — must register for the spring. Registration will take place from 9 a.m.-noon Saturday. Fee for new players is \$25, and there will be no charge for players who registered in the fall. The season begins April 5 and runs through May 10. If players have cleats or shin guards they have outgrown, they can bring them to the registration to be distributed to other players. The league also needs coaches, and any would-be coaches can call David Sepkowitz at 336-4701. Any other questions about the league can be directed to Kala Scarafioti at 354-8107.

Softball sign-ups to begin
Sign-ups for 12 and Under softball teams are now being held for the season which begins in April and ends in July. Girls who turned 13 years old after Jan. 1 are eligible. There are only six slots available on the team. To register, contact Kim Chavez at 258-1308, or call 910-3730 or 420-2549.

Sierra Blanca Scramble
The Optimist Club of Ruidoso announces its 11th annual Sierra Blanca Scramble to be held May 10 at Cree Meadows Country Club. Cost to enter is \$50 per golfer, which includes green fees, cart and prizes. For more information, contact Eric Eggleston at 257-5815 or Lane Adams at 257-4033.

Tiger cager teams sweep Cloudcroft

BY P. BLAKE MARTIN
OF THE RUIDOSO NEWS

After a rough start from the Cloudcroft Bears' half-court trap, the Capitan Tigers clawed their way to third in District 5-2A with a 69-46 victory Friday night.

The Bears were forcing a lot of turnovers. With slow ball movement, the Tigers were having trouble getting the ball to the post players and scoring from underneath.

"We adjusted to the trap for the second quarter, and carried it over into the second half," said Capitan coach Royce Brown.

With better ball movement, the Tigers outscored the Bears every quarter. Although the Bears showed lots of drive, they just couldn't seem to score.

Tiger guard Sheldon Moor scored 15 points for the night, going 9-for-9 at the free throw line. Punching from inside was J.D. Mitchell with 20 points to lead Capitan.

Bears' Landon Parker and Alex Markum held the top slots, each scoring a three-point jump shot. Marcum came in first with 10 points, including four from the line.

Non-starter Josh Castañeda had a good night from the charity line, scoring 11 of 13 points in free throws for the Tigers.

"It was a good performance from everybody," Brown said. "We got the young kids off the bench and they played well."

Lady Tigers 73, Cloudcroft 55

Coach Sherry Gowen's Lady Tigers pulled out another victory facing-off the Cloudcroft Lady Bears.

After a sluggish first quarter, Lady Tiger Jessica Tully-Mitchell tied the game at 16-all with a free throw. Then, with less than three minutes to go, they poured it on to a halftime score of 31-19.

"We were a lot more rounded out from the last game," Gowen summed it up. She is pleased with the steady charge her team wielded throughout the game.

"We worked all week on the guards stepping up and taking the shots," Gowen continued. And they did, with Catherine Wood and Tully-Mitchell racking up 30 points between them.

The Lady Bears showed great court action and moved the ball well. They were often under the basket, but couldn't seem to score. Santana Doskocil did manage a couple of three-point jumpers toward her total 10 points.

Emily Hunter and Rain Russell were high scorers for the Lady Bears with 11 points each. Lady Bear Kara Goss and Lady Tiger Jessica Becker battled for



PHOTO BY P. BLAKE MARTIN

Capitan guard Catherine Wood, right, dribbles up court against Cloudcroft's Kara Goss Saturday in Capitan. The Lady Tigers defeated Cloudcroft and faced them again Tuesday in the second round of the District 5-2A tournament.

rebounds throughout the night and was the top earner for the Tigers with 25 points.

Both Capitan teams got a rematch with Cloudcroft Tuesday in the second round of the district tournament. With a win there, the Lady Tigers would travel to Hatch for a Wednesday night showdown, while the Tiger boys would travel to Tularosa Thursday.

Lady Tigers 73, Lady Bears 55		Tigers 69, Bears 46	
Cloudcroft (7-15, 1-7 District 5-2A after Friday)		Cloudcroft (4-18, 0-8 district after Friday)	
Stacy Miller 0 0-0 0, Santana Doskocil 3 2-3 10, Bernadine Bookey 1 0-0 2, Emily Hunter 4 1-1 11, Marny Gordon 0 0-0 0, Rachel Housinger 0 2-4 2, Beth Boyington 0 0-0 0, Rain Russell 4 5-6 13, Megan Gordon 1 3-6 5, Kara Goss 3 3-9 9, Vyanca Vega 0 0-0 0, Brittney Baird 1 0-0 3. Totals: 17 16-29 55.	Clint Lard 3 0-2 6, Landon Parker 3 1-4 8, Ryan Scott 1 0-2 2, Alex Markum 2 4-6 9, Drew Swope 1 0-0 3, T.J. Blette 1 0-0 2, Justin Merrick 2 0-0 4, Clay Scott 0 1-2 1, Nathaniel Smith 0 2-4 2, Thomas Ferguson 0 0-2 2, Taylor Lane 1 1-2 3, Logan Capps 2 0-4 4, J.R. Saulretis 0 0-0 0. Totals: 16 11-28 46.	Capitan (12-10, 6-2)	Capitan (12-9, 4-4)
Catherine Wood 3 2-2 8, Stephanie Kelsey 0 1-2 1, Alyx Sheehy 1 0-0 2, Melissa Becker 5 6-5 15, KayCee Gilson 0 0-0 0, Raylyne Stanbrough 0 0-0 0, Roxie Hall 0 0-0 0, Jessica Tully-Mitchell 7 8-10 22, Jessica Becker 8 9-12 25, Kelsey Stierwalt 0 0-0 0, Brittany Jensen 0 0-0 0. Totals: 24 25-32 73.	Kurtis Lee 1 0-0 2, Stephen Silva 0 1-2 1, Bo Sparks 2 0-0 4, Sheldon Moor 3 9-9 15, Chance Huddleston 1 0-0 2, Elliott Taylor 0 0-0 0, Josh Osborn 2 5-6 10, Rusty Martin 0 2-2 2, J.D. Mitchell 9 2-6 20, Josh Castañeda 1 11-18 13. Totals: 19 30-43 69.	Cloudcroft 10 13 13 10 — 49	Cloudcroft 10 13 13 10 — 49
Capitan 7 24 18 24 — 73	Capitan 19 15 15 20 — 69	Three-point goals: Cloudcroft 3 (Parker, Markum, Swope), Capitan 1 (Osborn).	Three-point goals: Cloudcroft 3 (Parker, Markum, Swope), Capitan 1 (Osborn).
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'Zozo sweeps Bosque

BY TODD FUQUA
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The Carrizozo basketball teams finished out their regular seasons in fine fashion Thursday.

Their seeds in the District 7-1A tournaments already set, both saw their games against Bosque Prep as tune-ups for the post-season, and made the most of them with a pair of wins.

"I thought our effort was good and we played hard," said Carrizozo coach Mel Holland. "We're working on getting better every day and playing our best basketball down the stretch."

The Lady Grizzlies finished the district season undefeated with a 70-25 victory and were led by Christa Franck with 19 points. Stephanie Brewer added 14 and Tierny Burd had 10 as all but two Carrizozo players scored in the game.

The Carrizozo boys also won, 49-40, in a game that

doesn't count in the district standings — Bosque Prep has played all their games as a junior varsity squad.

But Holland views this and his Holland's loss against Temple Baptist Feb. 13 as signs of a greatly improved team.

In fact, the Grizzlies can gloat that their close loss to Temple caused the Roadrunners to fall to second place in the district after tying with Mountainair. Temple just didn't win over Carrizozo by enough points.

Casey Saenz had 13 to lead the Grizzlies, followed by Joseph Samora with 12 and Josh Calvert with 10.

"We're playing a little more disciplined, and it makes a difference in the close games," Holland said.

A close game is what Carrizozo was looking at Tuesday in their first-round district game against Corona. The Cardinals had lost twice to the Grizzlies, but only by 10 points each.

Rough week for Mescalero teams

BY TODD FUQUA
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Mescalero may not have earned the right to host the championship game in District 8-1A, but their first game in the tournament shows they're pretty determined to play in it.

After falling big to Tatum on Saturday and losing the top seed, the Lady Chiefs opened the district tournament Monday with a 92-18 shellacking of Lake Arthur.

"We approached this game knowing we were the favorite," said Mescalero coach Rol Bradford. "We wanted to go out and focus and play good basketball no matter what."

"If someone made a mistake, I'd rotate them out until they realized what I was looking for," he added. "That's what I'm trying to do, prepare for the end result."

Augusta Lang scored 31 to lead the Lady Chiefs in the rout. Mescalero hosts Hondo Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the next round. The Lady Eagles beat Gateway Christian 46-36 on Monday.

Big losses in Tatum

The Mescalero girls entered Saturday's game against Tatum needing a win to clinch the top seed in the district tournament. Even if they lost, a setback of three points or less would still get them the top spot.

They got neither, as the Lady Coyotes outran Mescalero and eventually won 63-36.

"It was just one of those games that our girls didn't get ready to play and weren't focused," Bradford said. "No one picked it up." None of the Lady Chiefs were in double figures, as Sasha Enjady led the team with eight points. Jentry Stephens scored 21 points to help avenge the Lady Coyotes' loss to Mescalero earlier in the season.

The boys lost another big game, dropping their contest against the Coyotes, 101-37. The Chiefs — down 29-3 early — were able to score 18 points in the second quarter, but it was a foregone conclusion by that point.

The Chiefs played at Lake Arthur Tuesday in the first round of the district tournament.

Obvious improvement

Before taking on Tatum, the Lady Chiefs hosted Alamo Navajo Friday in a rematch of their season-opener.

At the beginning of the year, Alamo Navajo won by a single point. On Friday, Mescalero turned it around and won 97-71.

"We always schedule them (Alamo) at the beginning and end of the year," Bradford said. "We use it as a measuring stick of how far we've come in the year."

It's obvious the Lady Chiefs improved, as Sheriene Davis led all scorers with 26 points, followed by Nicole Dolan with 24, Lang with 17 and Enjady with 11.

Capitan Miracle third in HBA

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SUNLAND PARK — Capitan Miracle, ridden by G.R. Carter and trained by Joel Marr, covered the 400-yard race in a time of 19.687. The top finishers for the race were Hey Primer, Runawaywiththecash, Capitan Miracle, Red Rime and Banco Rapido Too. Capitan Miracle paid \$4.40 to place and \$5.00 to show.

New barn coming to the Downs; question on Hobbs track still looms for Hubbard

BY TODD FUQUA
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Retouches on all barns and a brand new facility are the capital improvements presented to New Mexico Racing Commission staff Friday at Ruidoso Downs Race Track and Casino.

Rick Baugh, the track's general manager, presented staff members Rosemary Leeder and Paul Gordon with information regarding the purchase of a new 44-stall MD barn to replace Barn No. 16 on the track's grounds.

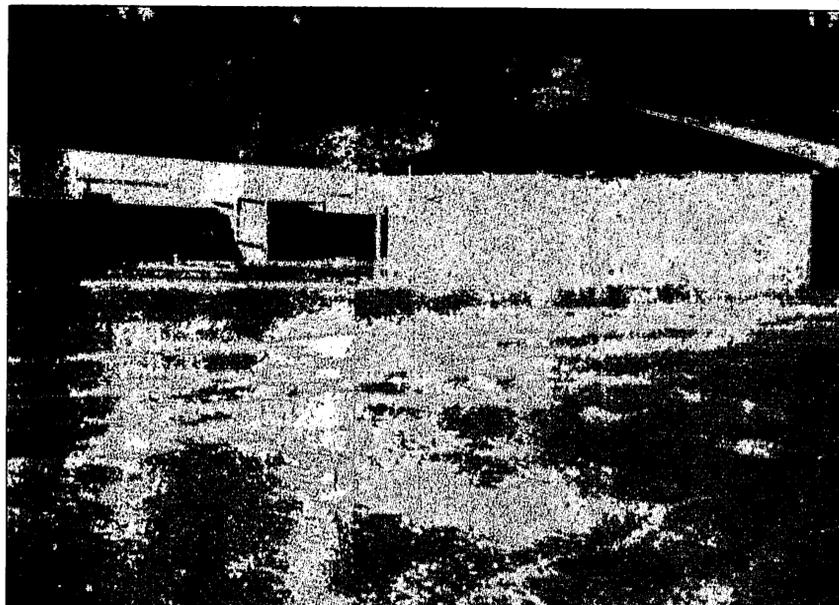
According to information supplied by Baugh, the barn was purchased by track president Bruce Rimbo for \$47,500 from horse breeder Richard Parish.

A portion of Barn 16 has already been removed and the ground prepared for the installation of this barn, which Baugh said would increase the barn area's stall capacity by eight. The track has more than 1,800 stalls in all.

Each stall in the new barn will be 12 feet by 12 feet, and the barn will have six tack rooms and meet all specifications set forth by the racing commission.

"This is one of the most modern and safest barns out there," Baugh commented.

Counting preparation and erection of the barn at the site, total cost is estimated at



TODD FUQUA/STAFF

An empty space marks where a new MD barn will be erected at Ruidoso Downs Race Track and Casino. A portion of the old Barn No. 16 still stands in the background. Downs General Manager Rick Baugh said he hopes the new barn will be completed by March 20.

\$103,000, compared to approximately \$300,000 if the barn had been bought brand new.

Baugh said he's hoping the barn can be up by March 20.

Trainers who were listed by the track as having horses in Barn 16 during last year's meet were Ralph Black, C. Dwayne Gilbreath, Susie Byrd, Robert Bowers, Ramon Gonzalez, Mike Joiner, Johnny Montes, Willie Padilla and Blane Wood.

In addition to the new barn, Baugh pointed out that all existing barns and stalls had been repainted and — in some cases — refurbished for the upcoming meet.

A request for approval for capital improvements to the track will go before the commission at its next meeting Thursday in the Mt. Christo Rey Room at Sunland Park. Also on the commission's agen-

da are a request for approval of Ruidoso Down's 2003 stakes and condition book, condition book officials, post times and holiday post times, as well as a discussion of a proposed track near Hobbs.

This will be the commission's first official discussion of the new track since October, when the previous commission was all but disbanded by then-Gov. Gary Johnson.



SCHOOL DISTRICT REPORT CARD HONDO VALLEY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Each year, every New Mexico school district is required to collect and report to its community a variety of information about the district and its schools. This report card includes data for the five required statewide indicators:

- Student Achievement
- Student Attendance
- Dropout Rate
- Parent/Community Involvement
- School Safety

It also reports information about:

- The Quality of Education Survey Results
- Federal Program Expenditures (HB323)
- (Optional - District EPSS Goals)

About Our District

Hondo Valley Public Schools consists of 131 students in grades K-12. Hondo Elementary encompasses grades K-6 and Hondo High School grades 7-12. The district has 95% Hispanic students and is a 100% free and reduced lunch district. The primary goal of the EPSS since 1998 has been to raise student achievement levels, primarily in reading and math. For the past three years Hondo has been rated as "Meets Standards" under the state accountability system. Hondo Elementary has been designated a "Most Improved School" twice in the past three years. In the fall of 2000 the district implemented the Open Court reading program in grades K-5. The district also uses Accelerated Reader and Accelerated Math as supplemental programs and Academy of Reading to improve student reading comprehension. The district is now revising the EPSS to include goals of raising achievement levels in science and social studies. The district also uses Academic Improvement Contracts for students that score below the 40th percentile on state mandated tests. The entire curriculum is aligned with the State content Standards and Benchmarks and teachers incorporate these into their daily lesson plans.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Student achievement is measured through the New Mexico Statewide Student Assessment System. Reported assessment instruments include the following:

1. Grades 3-9: NM Achievement Assessment Program (NMAAP)
2. Grades 5 and 7: New Mexico Writing Assessment
3. Grade 10: New Mexico High School Competency Examination

TerraNova, 2nd Edition, Complete Battery (CAT)

The TerraNova, 2nd Edition, Complete Battery (CAT) provides norm-referenced data. This assessment is designed to provide information on how well a student or school performs in comparison to other students (the norm group) or schools in the state and in the nation. If a student or school has a median percentile of 50, this means they scored as well as or better than 50% of the students in the norm group. Median percentiles are reported, and a median is defined as the middle score. The median national percentile is always 50. By looking at the reported scores for this test you can determine how far above or below the national and/or state median your district has scored in relation to the norm group.

What do the TerraNova, 2nd Edition, Complete Battery (CAT) results mean?

Tables can be used to depict the state, district, and an individual school's TerraNova, 2nd Edition, Complete Battery (CAT) results for grades 3-9. Results for each of the content areas - reading, language arts, math, science, and social studies - and the combined content-area scores for reading, language arts, and math reported in median percentiles are also shown. Results that extend above or fall below the 50th percentile are indications that the average state or district results are respectively higher or lower than the national average.

Reporting Aggregated and Disaggregated Data

The federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) requires school districts to report on the performance of students with disabilities as part of the total results and separately. To meet the IDEA requirements, student performance data is presented in four tables for each grade level of reporting.

The first table presents combined data on the performance of students with disabilities who participated in the standardized administration of the TerraNova, 2nd Edition, Complete Battery (CAT) along with all other students. This is referred to as "aggregated" data because the results for that group of students with disabilities are combined, or aggregated, with the results for all other students who took the test under standard conditions.

The second table presents data on the performance of students with disabilities who participated in the standardized administration of the TerraNova, 2nd Edition, Complete Battery (CAT) separate from all other students. This is referred to as "disaggregated" data because the results for that group of students with disabilities are reported separately.

The third table presents data on the performance of students with disabilities who participated in the general assessments with accommodations that may have an impact on the test scores obtained. Since this group of students did not participate in the general assessment in the same standardized fashion as other students, their scores must be reported separately, or disaggregated.

The fourth table presents data on the participation of students in the New Mexico Alternate Assessment. The New Mexico Alternate Assessment was administered to those students for whom the general assessment, even with accommodations, was deemed inappropriate. This test allows students to demonstrate competency on very basic skills. At this time, the district is able to report on the number of students that participated in the New Mexico Alternate Assessment. However, student performance is not reported at this time. Student performance will be reported once proficiency levels are established for the New Mexico Alternate Assessment.

This method of reporting allows for approximate comparisons between the results for students with and without disabilities. The comparisons can only be approximate for two reasons: (1) because disaggregated results for students without disabilities were not available for 2001-02; and (2) because the aggregated results include students with disabilities who took the test under standardized conditions, while the disaggregated results include those students and other students who took the test with accommodations that may have affected the results.

Cell Size

States must establish the minimum number of students for whom test results can be reported. In New Mexico, this minimum number is ten (10). Therefore, if the number of students at any grade level reported is less than ten (10), do not report data. Enter ** in the appropriate cell.

TerraNova, 2nd Edition, Complete Battery (CAT) 2001-2002 Norm-Referenced Results Standard Administration 3rd Grade Median Percentiles (1996 Norms)

	Reading	Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies	
New Mexico	20,119	49.0	49.3	49.5	43.2	47.3
Hondo Valley	12	65.5	61.5	64	46.5	49.7
Hondo Elementary	12	65.5	61.5	64	46.5	49.7

Performance of Students with Disabilities Special Education—Excluding Gifted Standard Administration Only 3rd Grade Median Percentiles (1996 Norms)

	Reading	Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies	
New Mexico	519	34.3	34.3	37.8	35.0	36.8
Hondo Valley	2	**	**	**	**	**
Hondo Elementary	2	**	**	**	**	**

Performance of Students with Disabilities Special Education—Excluding Gifted Non-Standard Administration 3rd Grade Median Percentiles (1996 Norms)

	Reading	Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies	
New Mexico	1,988	13.1	14.1	18.4	26.3	28.5
Hondo Valley	0	XX	XX	XX	XX	XX

New Mexico Alternate Assessment 2002 Administration 3rd Grade

	Number of Students
New Mexico	127
Hondo Valley	0

3rd Grade Results:

Hondo Elementary 3rd grade students performed at the "Exceeds Standards" level in reading, language arts and math and at "Meets Standards" level in science and social studies.

TerraNova, 2nd Edition, Complete Battery (CAT) 2001-2002 Norm-Referenced Results Standard Administration 4th Grade Median Percentiles (1996 Norms)

	Reading	Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies	
New Mexico	20,359	51.1	51.7	49.7	49.5	51.0
Hondo Valley	5	**	**	**	**	**
Hondo Elementary	5	**	**	**	**	**

Performance of Students with Disabilities Special Education—Excluding Gifted Standard Administration Only 4th Grade Median Percentiles (1996 Norms)

	Reading	Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies	
New Mexico	666	36.6	34.9	34.0	37.3	36.6
Hondo Valley	0	XX	XX	XX	XX	XX

Performance of Students with Disabilities Special Education—Excluding Gifted Non-Standard Administration 4th Grade Median Percentiles (1996 Norms)

	Reading	Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies	
New Mexico	2,557	18.7	18.2	15.5	21.6	20.8
Hondo Valley	2	**	**	**	**	**
Hondo Elementary	2	**	**	**	**	**

New Mexico Alternate Assessment 2002 Administration 4th Grade

	Number of Students
New Mexico	137
Hondo Valley	0

4th Grade Results:

Hondo Elementary did not have a sufficient number of students to generate test results.

TerraNova, 2nd Edition, Complete Battery (CAT) 2001-2002 Norm-Referenced Results Standard Administration 5th Grade Median Percentiles (1996 Norms)

	Reading	Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies	
New Mexico	20,812	54.1	52.5	47.0	46.7	43.9
Hondo Valley	11	55	40	37	41	29
Hondo Elementary	11	55	40	37	41	29

Performance of Students with Disabilities Special Education—Excluding Gifted Standard Administration Only 5th Grade Median Percentiles (1996 Norms)

	Reading	Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies	
New Mexico	784	37.1	35.9	31.5	35.8	31.8
Hondo Valley	0	XX	XX	XX	XX	XX

Performance of Students with Disabilities Special Education—Excluding Gifted Non-Standard Administration 5th Grade Median Percentiles (1996 Norms)

	Reading	Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies	
New Mexico	2,952	18.2	17.6	11.7	18.7	17.1
Hondo Valley	4	**	**	**	**	**
Hondo Elementary	4	**	**	**	**	**

New Mexico Alternate Assessment 2002 Administration 5th Grade

	Number of Students
New Mexico	176
Hondo Valley	0

5th Grade Results:

Hondo Elementary 5th grade students scored "Meets Standards" in reading, language arts and science and "Probationary" in math and social studies. There were not enough students in the 5th grade special education with accommodations group to generate test data.

TerraNova, 2nd Edition, Complete Battery (CAT) 2001-2002 Norm-Referenced Results Standard Administration 6th Grade Median Percentiles (1996 Norms)

	Reading	Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies	
New Mexico	20,562	51.4	53.3	49.6	47.0	47.0
Hondo Valley	8	**	**	**	**	**

Performance of Students with Disabilities Special Education—Excluding Gifted Standard Administration Only 6th Grade Median Percentiles (1996 Norms)

	Reading	Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies	
New Mexico	807	39.4	36.8	31.9	39.8	31.5
Hondo Valley	0	XX	XX	XX	XX	XX

Performance of Students with Disabilities Special Education—Excluding Gifted Non-Standard Administration 6th Grade Median Percentiles (1996 Norms)

	Reading	Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies	
New Mexico	2,921	17.9	17.6	13.4	17.2	11.9
Hondo Valley	2	**	**	**	**	**
Hondo Elementary	2	**	**	**	**	**

New Mexico Alternate Assessment 2002 Administration 6th Grade

	Number of Students
New Mexico	150
Hondo Valley	0

6th Grade Results:

Hondo Elementary did not have a sufficient number of students to generate test results.

TerraNova, 2nd Edition, Complete Battery (CAT) 2001-2002 Norm-Referenced Results Standard Administration 7th Grade Median Percentiles (1996 Norms)

	Reading	Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies	
New Mexico	20,657	48.3	54.7	45.6	46.0	48.9
Hondo Valley	8	**	**	**	**	**
Hondo High	8	**	**	**	**	**

Performance of Students with Disabilities Special Education—Excluding Gifted Standard Administration Only 7th Grade Median Percentiles (1996 Norms)

	Reading	Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies	
New Mexico	957	33.1	34.8	27.6	35.6	35.8
Hondo Valley	0	XX	XX	XX	XX	XX

Performance of Students with Disabilities Special Education—Excluding Gifted Non-Standard Administration 7th Grade Median Percentiles (1996 Norms)

	Reading	Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies	
New Mexico	2,795	15.3	16.4	9.3	14.5	14.5
Hondo Valley	2	**	**	**	**	**
Hondo High	2	**	**	**	**	**

New Mexico Alternate Assessment 2002 Administration 7th Grade

	Number of Students
New Mexico	125
Hondo Valley	0

7th Grade Results:

Hondo High did not have a sufficient number of students to generate test results.

TerraNova, 2nd Edition, Complete Battery (CAT) 2001-2002 Norm-Referenced Results Standard Administration 8th Grade Median Percentiles (1996 Norms)

	Reading	Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies	
New Mexico	20,214	51.8	48.2	48.1	47.4	45.2
Hondo Valley	6	**	**	**	**	**
Hondo High	6	**	**	**	**	**

Performance of Students with Disabilities Special Education—Excluding Gifted Standard Administration Only 8th Grade Median Percentiles (1996 Norms)

	Reading	Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies	
New Mexico	1,095	34.9	31.0	29.5	40.2	32.3
Hondo Valley	0	XX	XX	XX	XX	XX

Performance of Students with Disabilities Special Education—Excluding Gifted Non-Standard Administration 8th Grade Median Percentiles (1996 Norms)

	Reading	Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies	
New Mexico	2,465	15.1	13.4	11.0	16.6	14.8
Hondo Valley	2	**	**	**	**	**
Hondo High	2	**	**	**	**	**

New Mexico Alternate Assessment 2002 Administration 8th Grade

	Number of Students
New Mexico	168
Hondo Valley	0

8th Grade Results:

Hondo High did not have a sufficient number of students to generate test results.

TerraNova, 2nd Edition, Complete Battery (CAT) 2001-2002 Norm-Referenced Results Standard Administration 9th Grade Median Percentiles (1996 Norms)

	Reading	Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies	
New Mexico	20,743	52.4	50.3	47.2	50.3	43.2
Hondo Valley	9	**	**	**	**	**
Hondo High	9	**	**	**	**	**

Performance of Students with Disabilities Special Education—Excluding Gifted Standard Administration 9th Grade Median Percentiles (1996 Norms)

	Reading	Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies	
New Mexico	972	21.4	22.0	14.7	20.4	19.8
Hondo Valley	0	XX	XX	XX	XX	XX

Performance of Students with Disabilities Special Education—Excluding Gifted Non-Standard Administration 9th Grade Median Percentiles (1996 Norms)

	Reading	Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies	
New Mexico	1,747	17.2	17.2	10.7	15.4	14.4
Hondo Valley	2	**	**	**	**	**
Hondo High	2	**	**	**	**	**

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New Mexico Alternate Assessment 2002 Administration 9th Grade

State	Number of Students
New Mexico	151
Hondo Valley	0

9th Grade Results:

Hondo High did not have a sufficient number of students to generate test results.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

New Mexico Writing Assessment Results:

Tables can be used to depict the state, district, and individual schools' NM Writing Assessment results at grades five and seven. Students have three, one-hour writing sessions during which to respond to a particular prompt in writing. Students' writing is holistically scored on a scale from 6.0 (highest possible score) to 1.0 (lowest score). A holistic score represents how well a student's overall writing communicates to his/her audience. The figures in the display show the percentage of students who scored in each of the holistic score ranges for the 2001-2002 Writing Assessment results. A score of 4.0 or above indicates a satisfactory ability to communicate in that particular mode of discourse.

New Mexico Writing Assessment State and District Summary 2001-2002 Results

Holistic Scores

New Mexico Writing Assessment Standard Administration 5th Grade

Percent at each score

Number of Students	Percent at each score						
	1 & 1.5	2 & 2.5	3 & 3.5	4 & 4.5	5 & 5.5	6	
New Mexico	22,240	1.5%	9.4%	32.9%	48.2%	7.3%	0.8%
Hondo Valley	12	0.00%	8.30%	25.00%	66.70%	0.00%	0.00%
Hondo Elementary	12	0.00%	8.30%	25.00%	66.70%	0.00%	0.00%

Note: The percentages at each score reported on the table above include students with disabilities who took the New Mexico Writing Assessment under standard conditions.

Performance of Students with Disabilities Standard Administration Only Special Education—Excluding Gifted Grade 5

Percent at each score

Number of Students	Percent at each score						
	1 & 1.5	2 & 2.5	3 & 3.5	4 & 4.5	5 & 5.5	6	
New Mexico	1,053	10.3%	26.2%	41.4%	20.8%	1.2%	0.1%
Hondo Valley	0	XX%	XX%	XX%	XX%	XX%	XX%

Note: This table represents the performance of students with disabilities who participated in the general assessment accommodations that may affect the validity of the results.

Performance of Students with Disabilities Nonstandard Administration Grade 5

Percent at each score

Number of Students	Percent at each score						
	1 & 1.5	2 & 2.5	3 & 3.5	4 & 4.5	5 & 5.5	6	
New Mexico	2,345	13.1%	34.5%	34.8%	16.9%	0.8%	0.0%
Hondo Valley	0	XX%	XX%	XX%	XX%	XX%	XX%

Note: This table represents the performance of students with disabilities who participated in the special assessment accommodations that may affect the validity of the results.

New Mexico Alternate Assessment 2002 Administration 5th Grade

State	Number of Students
New Mexico	35
Hondo Valley	0

5th Grade Results:

66.7% of Hondo Elementary 5th grade scored at the 4&4.5 level compared to 48.2% statewide.

New Mexico Writing Assessment State and District Summary 2001-2002 Results Holistic Scores

New Mexico Writing Assessment Standard Administration 7th Grade

Percent at each score

Number of Students	Percent at each score						
	1 & 1.5	2 & 2.5	3 & 3.5	4 & 4.5	5 & 5.5	6	
New Mexico	21,569	0.9%	8.8%	35.3%	46.3%	7.9%	0.8%
Hondo Valley	**	XX%	XX%	XX%	XX%	XX%	XX%

Note: The percentages at each score reported on the table above include students with disabilities who took the New Mexico Writing Assessment under standard conditions.

Performance of Students with Disabilities Special Education—Excluding Gifted Standard Administration Only 7th Grade

Percent at each score

Number of Students	Percent at each score						
	1 & 1.5	2 & 2.5	3 & 3.5	4 & 4.5	5 & 5.5	6	
New Mexico	1,277	5.2%	28.2%	42.1%	21.4%	2.7%	0.4%
Hondo Valley	**	XX%	XX%	XX%	XX%	XX%	XX%

Note: This table represents the performance of students with disabilities who participated in the general assessment accommodations that may affect the validity of the results.

Performance of Students with Disabilities Special Education—Excluding Gifted Non-Standard Administration 7th Grade

Percent at each score

Number of Students	Percent at each score						
	1 & 1.5	2 & 2.5	3 & 3.5	4 & 4.5	5 & 5.5	6	
New Mexico	1,692	11.1%	35.9%	39.2%	13.2%	0.6%	0.0%
Hondo Valley	**	XX%	XX%	XX%	XX%	XX%	XX%

Note: This table represents the performance of students with disabilities who participated in the special assessment accommodations that may affect the validity of the results.

New Mexico Alternate Assessment 2002 Administration 7th Grade

State	Number of Students
New Mexico	36
Hondo Valley	0

7th Grade Results:

Hondo High did not have a sufficient number of students to generate test results.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

New Mexico High School Competency Examination:

Students are required to pass this examination in order to receive a high school diploma. Competence is measured in the areas of reading, language arts, written composition, mathematics, science, and social studies. The results of the High School Competency Examination are reported as the percentage of tenth grade students attempting and passing each and all six sub-tests during each year. Beginning in 2000-2001, the passing score was increased.

New Mexico High School Competency Exam Standard Administration 10th Grade

State	Number of Participants and Percent Passing on First Attempt		
	Participants	Percent Passing	Number of Participants
New Mexico	19,410	89.5%	19,446
Hondo Valley	11	90.90%	11
Hondo High	11	90.90%	11

State	Number of Participants and Percent Passing on First Attempt		
	Participants	Percent Passing	Number of Participants
New Mexico	19,406	81.5%	19,310
District	11	90.90%	11
Hondo High	11	90.90%	11

Note: The data reported on the table above include students with disabilities who took the NMHSC under standardized conditions.

Performance of Students with Disabilities Special Education—Excluding Gifted Standard Administration 10th Grade

State	Number of Participants and Percent Passing on First Attempt		
	Participants	Percent Passing	Number of Participants
New Mexico	972	53.7%	981
Hondo Valley	0	XX%	0

State	Number of Participants and Percent Passing on First Attempt		
	Participants	Percent Passing	Number of Participants
New Mexico	973	41.8%	959
Hondo Valley	0	XX%	0

Note: This table represents the performance of students with disabilities who participated in the general assessment accommodations that may affect the validity of the results.

Performance of Students with Disabilities Special Education—Excluding Gifted Nonstandard Administration 10th Grade

State	Number of Participants and Percent Passing on First Attempt		
	Participants	Percent Passing	Number of Participants
New Mexico	1,488	49.5%	1,501
Hondo Valley	0	XX%	0

State	Number of Participants and Percent Passing on First Attempt		
	Participants	Percent Passing	Number of Participants
New Mexico	1,485	42.6%	1,478
Hondo Valley	0	XX%	0

Note: This table represents the performance of students with disabilities who participated in the special assessment accommodations that may affect the validity of the results.

New Mexico Alternate Assessment 2002 Administration 10th Grade

State	Number of Participants
New Mexico	118
Hondo Valley	0

10th Grade Results:

Hondo High had a larger percentage of students passing on the first attempt in reading, language arts, math and science than the statewide average.

STUDENT ATTENDANCE

Student Attendance Rate:

Attendance rate is defined by the total number of days that students actually attend school on the 40th, 80th, and 120th day reporting periods for the school year, divided by the total days of enrollment (the maximum number of days that students could have been present during the three reporting periods combined). Students are considered to be in attendance when in class or on a school-approved activity. If a student attends school for one-half or less of the total instructional time, the student will be counted as having attended for one-half day. If the student attends school for more than one-half of the total instructional time, the student will be counted as having attended for a full day.

Student Attendance Rate in Percentages 2001-2002

State	Attendance Rate
New Mexico	95.1%
Hondo Valley	94.60%
Hondo Elementary	95.50%
Hondo High	93.60%

Results:

Hondo Valley had an attendance rate that was .5% below the statewide average and was rated as "Meets Standards".

STUDENT DROPOUT

Student Dropout Rate:

New Mexico reports an "event" dropout rate, which represents the total number of students, grades 7-12, who drop out during a particular school year. New Mexico's calculation of its dropout rate complies with the guidelines set by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) so that New Mexico's dropout rate can be compared with other participating states across the nation.

- A dropout is defined as an individual who:
 - was enrolled in school at some time during the previous school year;
 - was not enrolled at the beginning of the current school year;
 - has not graduated from high school or completed an approved educational program; and does not meet any of several exclusive conditions (such as official transfer to another school; temporary absence due to suspensions or illness; completion of the GED; returning to country of origin; or death).

(The data reported is for 2000-2001.)

Dropout Rate in Percentages 2000-2001 Grades 7-8

State	Dropouts	Percent
New Mexico	442	0.9%
Hondo Valley	0	0%
Hondo High	0	0%

Grades 9-12

State	Dropouts	Percent
New Mexico	5,095	5.3%
Hondo Valley	2	5.30%
Hondo High	2	5.30%

Total Transition Year Dropouts

State	Dropouts
New Mexico	280
Hondo Valley	0

Results:

Hondo High had a lower dropout rate than the statewide average for grades 7-8 and was the same as the statewide average for grades 9-12.

PARENT & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Reporting Parent and Community Involvement:

To demonstrate parent and community involvement, schools are asked to report on the following:

- the existence of a school-level parent and community involvement plan and one of the goals for each of the six types of ways for increasing parent involvement; and
- responses to questions on the Quality of Education Survey that are related to parent and community involvement (Questions 4 and 8 on the 2001-2002 Survey)

Parent and Community Involvement Plans 2001-2002

State	Plan
Hondo Valley	Increase parental/community involvement in academics

Summary of Quality of Education Survey Questions 2001-2002

Percent in Agreement

State	My child is safe at school	My child's school building is in good repair and has sufficient space to support quality education
New Mexico	80.3%	85.8%
Hondo Valley	87.7%	89.8%
Hondo Elementary	86.8	89.5
Hondo High	91.0	90.9

Results:

Hondo Valley parents in both Hondo Elementary and Hondo High had a higher percentage of agreement with the quality of education statements than the statewide average.

SCHOOL SAFETY

Reporting School Safety:

To demonstrate school safety, schools are asked to report the following:

- an accepted school-level safety plan;
- a plan for community involvement in the implementation and revision of the school-level safety plan;
- a plan for staff development in the area of school safety;
- identified goals and benchmarks for progress toward school safety;
- the number of police-reported incidents of vandalism, student-to-student incidents, and non-student incidents; and
- responses to questions #1 and #2 on the Quality of Education Survey.

School Safety

School	School-level Plan	Community Involvement	Staff Development
Hondo Elementary	Completed 9/2000 Revised 1/2003	Completed 12/2000	Completed 12/2000
Hondo High	Completed 9/2000 Revised 1/2003	Completed 12/2000	Completed 12/2000

School-Level Safety Plan Goals and Benchmarks

School	Goals	Benchmarks
Hondo Elementary	Implement school level safety plan	Completed May, 2001
Hondo High	Implement school level safety plan	Completed May, 2001

Summary of Quality of Education Survey Questions 2001-2002

Percent in Agreement

State	My child is safe at school	My child's school building is in good repair and has sufficient space to support quality education
New Mexico	82.7%	77.1%
Hondo Valley	93.9	89.8
Hondo Elementary	94	89.5
Hondo High	91	90.9

Number of Police Reported Incidents 2001-2002

Violent Crimes*

State	Armed/Unarmed Knife	Armed/Unarmed Pistol	Armed/Unarmed Rifle	Armed/Unarmed Shotgun	Other	Total
New Mexico	1,277	483	28	1	110	1,899
Hondo Valley	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hondo High	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hondo Elementary	0	0	0	0	0	0

*Statewide data has not been audited.

Other Criminal Offenses*

State	Possession of Firearm	Possession of Knife	Possession of Weapon	Carrying Weapon	Drug Violation	Alcohol Violation
New Mexico	26	379	44	24	1,263	172
Hondo Valley	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hondo High	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hondo Elementary	0	0	0	0	0	0

*Statewide data has not been audited.

Vandalism*

State	Armed/Unarmed Knife	Armed/Unarmed Pistol	Armed/Unarmed Rifle	Armed/Unarmed Shotgun	Other	Total
New Mexico	169	525	89	48	242	586
Hondo Valley	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Results:

Hondo Valley traditionally has a very low incidence of violence or vandalism.

QUALITY OF EDUCATION SURVEY

Quality of Education Survey:

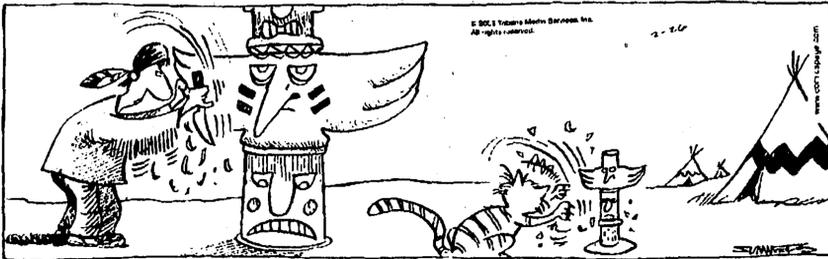
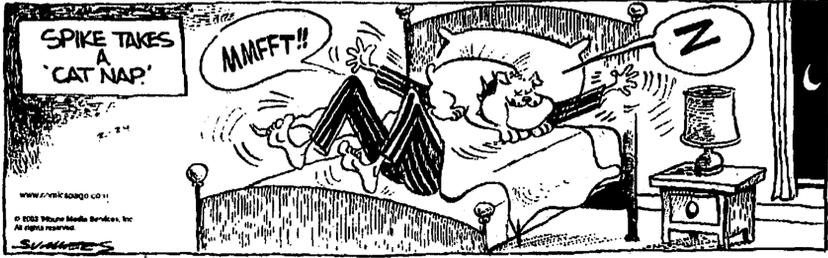
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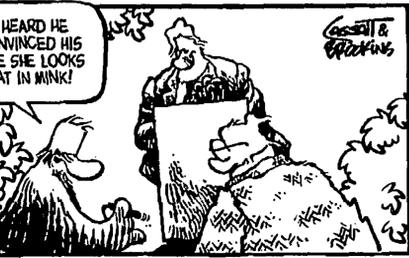
Quality of Education Survey Results Percent Agree or Strongly Agree Spring 2002

Question	New Mexico	Hondo Valley	Hondo Elementary	Hondo High
1. My child is safe at school.	82.7%	93.9	94.7	91
2. My child's school building is in good repair and has sufficient space to support quality education.	77.1%	89.8	89.5	90.9
3. My child's school holds high expectations for academic achievement.	82.5%	79.6		

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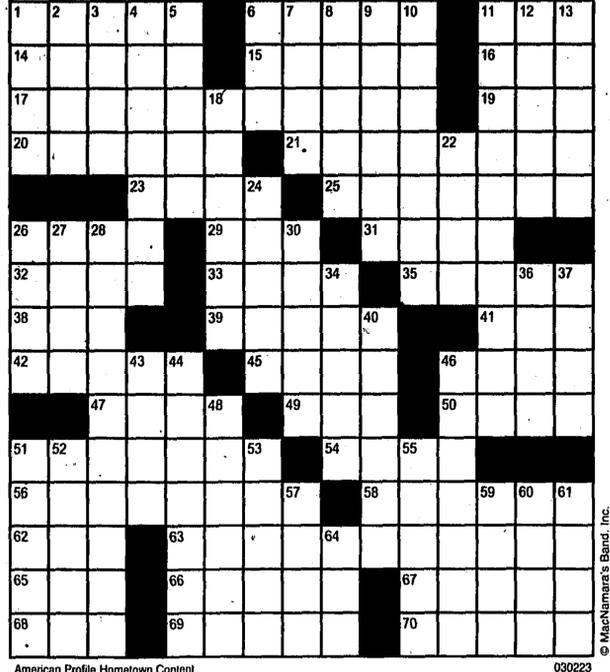


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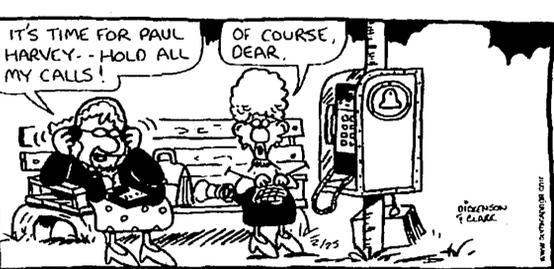
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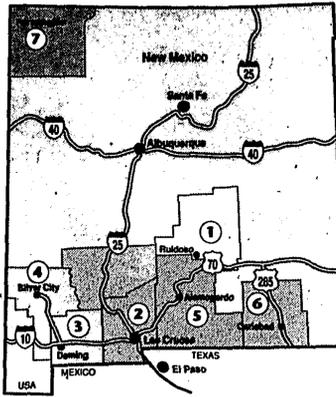
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102 CONDOS FOR SALE

CONDO FOR Sale By Owner. 2Bd/2 1/2Ba, wood floors, walking distance to midtown. \$103,000. Call 257-2489

CONDO FSBO motivated to sell or trade (720)840-1294

FOR SALE by owner, Champion's Run 2Bd/2Ba, fireplace, stucco, covered parking, new carpet, W/D, beautiful view, \$78,995 378-5615

103 MOBILE HOMES FOR SALE

BEST BUY in Ruidoso 2000 American Homestar, 16x70, 3Bd/2Ba, like new. Set up in nice park. \$13,000 OBO. 491-0620

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107 APARTMENTS FOR RENT

1BD APARTMENT for rent. Water paid. 378-4106

1BD/1BA APARTMENT for rent, all bills paid, 258-2212

APT FOR Rent, 1 BD in Capitlan, \$330/mo. No pets. 354-2090 or 354-2711

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2BD/2BA FOR Rent, \$600/Mo & \$600 Deposit. 257-1551

NICE 2BD 14' WIDE MOBILE HOME, Willow Mobile Home Park on River behind Denny's. 378-7099 or 378-4423

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OFFICE for sale or lease. Good location - mid-town on 10th Street in Alamogordo. Approx. 3000 square feet; parking front and rear 5 private offices, conference room, 2 rest rooms. Large work area for secretary's desk. Lobby area, 2 storage rooms and closets; kitchenette or coffee room.
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200 HELP WANTED

100 WORKERS Needed. Assemble crafts, wood items. Materials provided. \$480 plus weekly. Free information package. 24 hours. 801-428-4630

ASSISTANT BOOKKEEPER needed. Salary based on experience. Please fax resume 378-4032

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COMFORT INN is now hiring. Apply in person at 2709 Sudderth. No phone calls please.

CREE MEADOWS Country Club seeks Line-Cook and dishwasher. Inquire at 301 Country Club Dr.

ELECTRICIANS
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Immediate need for Journeyman, Foreman and Helpers with experience in commercial work. Applicants are required to have reliable transportation and hand tools. Offering excellent wages and benefits. Pre-employment drug screen required. Please call for an appointment at: 505-464-2656

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Mescalero, NM 88340
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EEO M/F/V/D

EQUINE EQUESTRIAN Center - Full-time position. Feed and clean stalls for show horses. Some landscape and maintenance work. Need references. Call 336-7090 day, 258-4885 evenings.

EXPERIENCED WAIT-STAFF wanted at The Local Flavor Restaurant, 2087 W. Hwy 70, beside Cortez Gas.

FULL-TIME FARMHAND, Lincoln, NM, experience required. Please send resume and references to: P.O. Box 181 Capitlan, NM 88316, (505)653-4041

GRILL COOK needed call Dan at TR's Market 336-7819 for interview appointment.

HELP WANTED: Tire Changers. Apply within 2259 W. Hwy. 70. BIG O TIRES.

MICHELENA'S IS NOW HIRING Servers, bussers, cooks, hostess and dishwashers. Please apply in person at 2703 Sudderth Dr.

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Mescalero Apache School
R.O. Box 230, 249 White Mountain Dr.
Mescalero, New Mexico 88340
Phone: (505) 464-4431 Fax: (505) 464-4822 "Mescalero Chief"

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT
Mescalero Apache School is seeking qualified applicants for the following positions:
Clerk
NM Certified Teacher with an emphasis in Computer instruction
OPENING DATE: February 12, 2003
CLOSING DATE: Until Filled
Applications are available at the Receptionist desk located in the Administration Building.
For more information about a particular position call (505) 464-4431

UTILITY CLERK
Salary \$9.32 hourly. Excellent benefit package included (vacation, sick, retirement & insurance). Applications accepted until 4:00 pm., Friday, February 28, 2003. Complete job description and applications at the Village of Ruidoso, 315 Cree Meadows Dr., Ruidoso, NM 88345. Phone: 258-4343 or 1-877-700-4343. Fax 258-5848. EEOE

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GARDEN GREEN + Super Clean Yard Work, Light snow and ice removal. Hauling, Tree Thinning, FIRE BREAKS, Pine Needles, Roofs and Gutters. Est 257-2172 or 420-5225. dangerus@planet.com

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HUNGRY NEED Food. We will help you in Jesus Christ name. Also Biblical/Spiritual counseling. 336-9116

LOST & FOUND

LOST DOG: Black Poodle with white markings, female, "Princess". Last seen Friday near Monica Court. Call 430-3800 or 257-5650

DOGS

SLAUGHTERS' SCOT-TIES Thistle had 6 pups 2/14/03. 4 male, 2 female, AKC. \$350 (808)894-4704.

HORSES

COMMERCIAL FOALING Barn; husband and wife want to purchase two or more acres. We will build foaling barn w/living quarters. Twenty-four hour attendant plus video and recorder monitoring installed. Partner, Investors, Veterinarian, Horsemen, other mutual benefit copartners invited. Call Roy day or night: (505)257-5212

FORCED TO Sell - 3 year old 1/2 Thoroughbred, 1/2 Appaloosa gelding - halter broke, sound with lots of speed and personality, \$800. Call 336-1311 or 430-1422

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MISCELLANEOUS

4 JOCKEY Club Seats for sale. Seats #30E across from bar and ticket window. For information call (915)337-7513

FOR SALE: 2-ton shop winch and motor holder, both brand new - never been used. Great bargain \$180. Call (505)257-5853

FOR SALE: wood chipper, Cray Bear Cat PTO Drive, used less than 4 hours. Day: 336-2565 Eve: 336-8277

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MISCELLANEOUS

GYMPAC 1500 weight exercise machine \$130, 354-2056

NEW CONSIGNMENT lot for all equipment, cars, boats, trailers, and etc. Butch's Service Center, 1 mile West of Capiton on Hwy 380, 354-3125

PLANTS & TREES

75 COTTONWOOD Trees, grown in Hondo Valley, 16-18 feet tall. Bar Guitar Growers 1-866-625-1972

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FIREWOOD SALE. Split Pine \$90.00/cord. Slab wood \$25.00/cord. El Molino Sawmill Call 336-1237

FULL CORD, free delivery, seasoned and split, Cedar or Pinon, \$135 plus tax Call Jerry 505-849-2849.

FURNITURE

FOR SALE: Loveseat - Southwestern pattern \$150; leather office chair tucked; trimmed, brass tacks, \$100; futon \$50; blue leather recliner \$50; blue corduroy lazy-boy \$50; drawing table \$35; antique trunk \$75. Call 257-2579

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MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

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152 YARD & GARAGE SALES 409 MARBLE Ct. House being remodeled, mostly furniture also carpet, tile, lamps, doors, pictures, TV. Thurs. 27, 8-Noon

MOVING SALE! Moving from large home to smaller home, everything has to go. 6 miles North out of Capiton, follow the signs on Hwy 246. February 28th & March 1st, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

THE BEHR Barn Flea Market - GRAND OPENING March 1st - next to The Elk's Lodge, Hwy 70W. Furniture, gifts, jewelry, horse tack, lots misc. Free refreshments - Sat. - open daily 9 to 5 257-8467 - spaces available.

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AUTOS FOR SALE

1985 F150. Ford pickup, 71K miles. 1995 pearl white Toyota Avalon; Yamaha golf cart, corner Ft. Stanton/Stag Road. 336-1993

1990 TOYOTA Camry, 6-cylinder, AT, PW, PL, CC. New tires, excellent interior, runs good. \$2800 OBO 378-5696

'88 HONDA Accord, runs good, \$1,700 OBO, 257-1053.

FOUR WHEEL

1987 FORD Bronco II, 4x4, 5-speed, V6, new tires, excellent condition, \$2995, 257-4718

1993 TOYOTA PK - 4x4, T-100 regular cab, V6, 5-speed, A/C, CD, runs great, \$3500. 354-1929

1994 Isuzu Trooper LS 4x4, 4-door, auto, excellent condition, 126K miles, \$4,400 OBO 257-6338 or 430-3287

'92 F150 Super-cab XLT, short-bed, 4X4, bucket seats, cruise, tilt, cassette, A/C, runs good, new tires, power windows and door locks, everything works, \$4995 OBO, 257-6536

99 EXPLORER xls, 4x4, 4dr., 117,000 miles, \$9,700, day-257-3109, h-258-4877

GMC - Suburban K15 - 4WD with TV, VCR, dual exhaust, 58K miles, 430-1270.

657 TRUCKS FOR SALE 1994 FORD F150, 6-cylinder, good condition, \$3500 firm, 354-9154

RECREATIONAL

4 - 8'x24' camper trailers, \$200/each if buy all four 378-0014 or 430-6498

5TH WHEEL, fiberglass 1999 Dutchman Supreme, 30 foot, rear lounge and bedroom slides, microwave, oven/cook-top, gas-electric refrigerator, bedroom vanity, lots of closets and storage, non-smoker, \$16,500, pulled by 2001 Chevrolet Crew-cab, heavy duty, 6 liter, 18,000 miles, leather and loaded, \$42,000 for both or will separate, exceptionally clean (505)257-8000

WANTED AUTOS & TRUCKS

WANTING TO buy '97 Cadillac El Dorado Northstar V8, low mileage, mint condition, Call Doug Siddens II (505)430-0906

LEGAL NOTICES

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LEGAL NOTICE

RFP 03-03

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Town of Carrizozo will be accepting proposals regarding Utility Billing Software for City Hall.

Request for Proposals will be received by the Town of Carrizozo, P.O. Box 247, Carrizozo, New Mexico, 88301 until Wednesday, March 5, 2003 at 4:00PM at the office of the Town Clerk. The specifications can be obtained from the office of the Town Clerk at 105 6th Street, Carrizozo, New Mexico, 88301 or by calling (505)648-2371.

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

/s/Leann Weibrecht, CMC Town Clerk/Treasurer Town of Carrizozo

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LEGAL NOTICE

CITY OF RUIDOSO PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Ruidoso Parks & Recreation Committee will hold its regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, March 6, 2003 at 5:30 p.m. in the City Hall Hubbard Room, 122 Downs Drive, Ruidoso Downs. 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 Clerk at the City of Ruidoso Downs at least one week prior to the meeting or as soon as possible.

/s/Carol Virden City Clerk/Treasurer #5445 1T (2)26

LEGAL NOTICE

SPECIAL MEETING EXTRATERRITORIAL ZONING BOARD CITY OF RUIDOSO DOWNS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Extraterritorial Zoning Board will hold a Special Meeting on Tuesday, March 4, 2003 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.

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LEGAL NOTICE

REQUEST FOR SEALED PROPOSALS FOR PUBLIC HOUSING CONTRACTED PROFESSIONAL NETWORK MAINTENANCE AND COMPUTER SERVICES PROVIDER

The Region VI Housing Authority is requesting sealed proposals from qualified and experienced firms or individuals to provide the following:

- *Evaluate current PC's in use by Housing Authority staff;
*Assist in correcting all deficiencies related to Housing Authority computer network;
*Provide ongoing network and hardware support to access server (remotely) to correct problems as well as prevent future problems;
*Provide solution for remote access from remote locations to access server.

Specifications and scope of work may be obtained from Region VI Housing Authority upon request in person, via fax or e-mail.

Please submit requests to: Leslie K. Jansson Region VI Housing Authority P.O. Drawer 2057 Roswell, NM 88202-2057 Phone: 505-622-0881 Fax: 505-622-2013 E-mail: rha.leslie@dfn.com

Proposal Deadline: Tuesday, April 1, 2003 Time: 4:00 p.m.

Persons wishing to receive copies via overnight delivery are responsible for making all arrangements and paying related costs.

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LEGAL NOTICE

RESOLUTION NO. 2002-25

WHEREAS, the Governing Body in and for the County of Lincoln, State of New Mexico, meeting in a regular session on the 18th day of February 2003, has set the meeting dates for the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners shall meet at 8:30 A.M. in the Commission Chambers at the Lincoln County Courthouse, in Carrizozo, New Mexico, unless otherwise specified.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts the following regular meeting dates:

- Tuesday, January 21, 2003
Tuesday, February 18, 2003
Tuesday, March 18, 2003
Tuesday, April 15, 2003
Tuesday, May 20, 2003
Tuesday, June 17, 2003
Tuesday, July 15, 2003
Tuesday, August 19, 2003
Tuesday, September 16, 2003
Tuesday, October 21, 2003
Tuesday, November 18, 2003
Tuesday, December 16, 2003

RESOLVED IN BOARD ACTION this 18th day of February 2003.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

/s/Rex Wilson, Chairman /s/Rick Simpson, Vice Chairman /s/Earl B. Hobbs, Member /s/Leo Martinez, Member /s/Maurice A. St. John, Member

/s/Tammie Maddox Clerk #5450 1T (2)26

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING ON AGENCY PLAN

The Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998 requires Region VI Housing Authority to prepare a 5 Year and Annual Plan covering the operations of the Public Housing and Section 8 Programs. In accordance with these requirements, Region VI Housing Authority will hold public meetings to receive comments on the Housing Authority's 5 Year Plan for Fiscal Years 2000-2004 and Annual Plan for Fiscal

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Year: 2003. The public meetings will take place as follows:

Region VI Housing Authority 226 N. Main St., Suite 301 Roswell, New Mexico April 11, 2003 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

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HUNGRY NEED Food. We will help you in Jesus Christ name. Also Biblical/Spiritual counseling. 336-9116

LOST & FOUND

LOST DOG: Black Poodle with white markings, female, "Princess". Last seen Friday near Monica Court. Call 430-3800 or 257-5650

DOGS

SLAUGHTERS' SCOTIES Thistle had 6 pups 2/14/03. 4 male, 2 female, AKC. \$350 (808)894-4704.

HORSES

COMMERCIAL FOALING Barn; husband and wife want to purchase two or more acres. We will build foaling barn w/living quarters. Twenty-four hour attendant plus video and recorder monitoring installed. Partner, Investors, Veterinarian, Horsemen, other mutual benefit copartners invited. Call Roy day or night: (505)257-5212

FORCED TO Sell - 3 year old 1/2 Thoroughbred, 1/2 Appaloosa gelding - halter broke, sound with lots of speed and personality, \$800. Call 336-1311 or 430-1422

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FOR SALE established forty year old mountain cabin operation in Cloudcroft, NM www.cloudcroftnm.com/for-sale.htm

LOOKING FOR small building/business to put juice & coffee bar. Call 378-4141

VERY PROFITABLE BUSINESS. Very established, includes real estate, living quarters and great location 1 block off Sudderth. Building is big enough for two businesses. (22x113) Books available and some owner financing. STEVENS REAL ESTATE 1-888-556-1349

MISCELLANEOUS

4 JOCKEY Club Seats for sale. Seats #30E across from bar and ticket window. For information call (915)337-7513

FOR SALE: 2-ton shop winch and motor holder, both brand new - never been used. Great bargain \$180. Call (505)257-5853

FOR SALE: wood chipper, Cray Bear Cat PTO Drive, used less than 4 hours. Day: 336-2565 Eve: 336-8277

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MISCELLANEOUS

GYMPAC 1500 weight exercise machine \$130, 354-2056

NEW CONSIGNMENT lot for all equipment, cars, boats, trailers, and etc. Butch's Service Center, 1 mile West of Capiton on Hwy 380, 354-3125

PLANT & TREES

75 COTTONWOOD Trees, grown in Hondo Valley, 16-18 feet tall. Bar Guitar Growers 1-866-625-1972

START YOUR own orchard. 30 semi-dwarf Apple Trees, 6 feet tall and producing. \$100/each. Bar Guitar Growers 1-866-625-1972

WIND BLOCK, visual block, Eldarica Pines, 15ft. \$225/cord, 5ft. \$70/each. Bar Guitar Growers 1-866-625-1972

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FIREWOOD SALE. Split Pine \$90.00/cord. Slab wood \$25.00/cord. El Molino Sawmill Call 336-1237

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FURNITURE

FOR SALE: Loveseat - Southwestern pattern \$150; leather office chair tucked; trimmed, brass tacks, \$100; futon \$50; blue leather recliner \$50; blue corduroy lazy-boy \$50; drawing table \$35; antique trunk \$75. Call 257-2579

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MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

FOR SALE: Console Piano. Excellent tone & condition. Always kept tuned. Cherry wood- Louis Philippe style. \$1000 OBO Call 336-7054

PORTABLE BUILDINGS

NEW STEEL Building 24X40 Must sell \$3,790 1-800-292-0111

SPORTING GOODS

POST WAR Walthor P-38, 9MM, holster, 2 clips, \$350. SW 688, 6 in., 357 MAG. + 100 rds., 158 gr. JSP, holster, \$400. 2 Barracrafter ski racks, \$50/each. 258-3517

152 YARD & GARAGE SALES 409 MARBLE Ct. House being remodeled, mostly furniture also carpet, tile, lamps, doors, pictures, TV. Thurs. 27, 8-Noon

MOVING SALE! Moving from large home to smaller home, everything has to go. 6 miles North out of Capiton, follow the signs on Hwy 246. February 28th & March 1st, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

THE BEHR Barn Flea Market - GRAND OPENING March 1st - next to The Elk's Lodge, Hwy 70W. Furniture, gifts, jewelry, horse tack, lots misc. Free refreshments - Sat. - open daily 9 to 5 257-8467 - spaces available.

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AUTOS FOR SALE

1985 F150. Ford pickup, 71K miles. 1995 pearl white Toyota Avalon; Yamaha golf cart, corner Ft. Stanton/Stag Road. 336-1993

1990 TOYOTA Camry, 6-cylinder, AT, PW, PL, CC. New tires, excellent interior, runs good. \$2800 OBO 378-5696

'88 HONDA Accord, runs good, \$1,700 OBO, 257-1053.

FOUR WHEEL

1987 FORD Bronco II, 4x4, 5-speed, V6, new tires, excellent condition, \$2995, 257-4718

1993 TOYOTA PK - 4x4, T-100 regular cab, V6, 5-speed, A/C, CD, runs great, \$3500. 354-1929

1994 Isuzu Trooper LS 4x4, 4-door, auto, excellent condition, 126K miles, \$4,400 OBO 257-6338 or 430-3287

'92 F150 Super-cab XLT, short-bed, 4X4, bucket seats, cruise, tilt, cassette, A/C, runs good, new tires, power windows and door locks, everything works, \$4995 OBO, 257-6536

99 EXPLORER xls, 4x4, 4dr., 117,000 miles, \$9,700, day-257-3109, h-258-4877

GMC - Suburban K15 - 4WD with TV, VCR, dual exhaust, 58K miles, 430-1270.

657 TRUCKS FOR SALE 1994 FORD F150, 6-cylinder, good condition, \$3500 firm, 354-9154

RECREATIONAL

4 - 8'x24' camper trailers, \$200/each if buy all four 378-0014 or 430-6498

5TH WHEEL, fiberglass 1999 Dutchman Supreme, 30 foot, rear lounge and bedroom slides, microwave, oven/cook-top, gas-electric refrigerator, bedroom vanity, lots of closets and storage, non-smoker, \$16,500, pulled by 2001 Chevrolet Crew-cab, heavy duty, 6 liter, 18,000 miles, leather and loaded, \$42,000 for both or will separate, exceptionally clean (505)257-8000

WANTED AUTOS & TRUCKS

WANTING TO buy '97 Cadillac El Dorado Northstar V8, low mileage, mint condition, Call Doug Siddens II (505)430-0906

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RFP 03-03

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Request for Proposals will be received by the Town of Carrizozo, P.O. Box 247, Carrizozo, New Mexico, 88301 until Wednesday, March 5, 2003 at 4:00PM at the office of the Town Clerk. The specifications can be obtained from the office of the Town Clerk at 105 6th Street, Carrizozo, New Mexico, 88301 or by calling (505)648-2371.

The Town of Carrizozo reserves the right to accept or reject all or any part of any proposal, waive minor technicalities and award the proposal to best serve the interest of the Town of Carrizozo. /s/Leann Weibrecht, CMC Town Clerk/Treasurer Town of Carrizozo

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CITY OF RUIDOSO PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Ruidoso Parks & Recreation Committee will hold its regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, March 6, 2003 at 5:30 p.m. in the City Hall Hubbard Room, 122 Downs Drive, Ruidoso Downs. Meetings are open to the public.

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The Region VI Housing Authority is requesting sealed proposals from qualified and experienced firms or individuals to provide the following:

"Evaluate current PC's in use by Housing Authority staff; "Assist in correcting all deficiencies related to Housing Authority computer network; "Provide ongoing network and hardware support to access server (remotely) to correct problems as well as prevent future problems; "Provide solution for remote access from remote locations to access server.

Specifications and scope of work may be obtained from Region VI Housing Authority upon request in person, via fax or e-mail.

Please submit requests to: Leslie K. Jansson Region VI Housing Authority P.O. Drawer 2057 Roswell, NM 88202-2057 Phone: 505-622-0881 Fax: 505-622-2013 E-mail: rha.leslie@dfn.com

Proposal Deadline: Tuesday, April 1, 2003 Time: 4:00 p.m.

Persons wishing to receive copies via overnight delivery are responsible for making all arrangements and paying related costs.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2002-25

WHEREAS, the Governing Body in and for the County of Lincoln, State of New Mexico, meeting in a regular session on the 18th day of February 2003, has set the meeting dates for the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners shall meet at 8:30 A.M. in the Commission Chambers at the Lincoln County Courthouse, in Carrizozo, New Mexico, unless otherwise specified.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts the following regular meeting dates:

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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO

/s/Rex Wilson, Chairman /s/Rick Simpson, Vice Chairman /s/Earl B. Hobbs, Member /s/Leo Martinez, Member /s/Maurice A. St. John, Member

/s/Tammie Maddox Clerk #5450 1T (2)26

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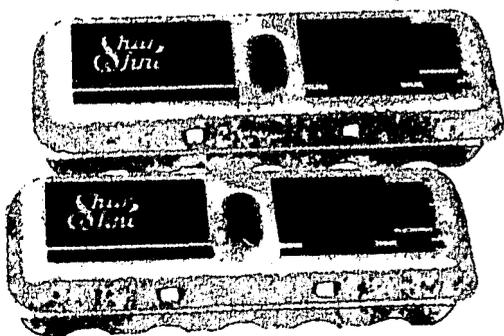
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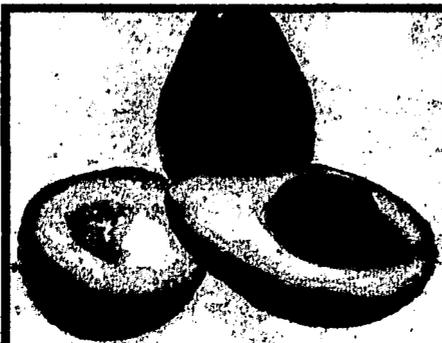
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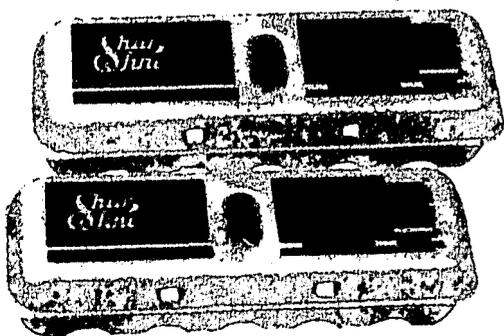
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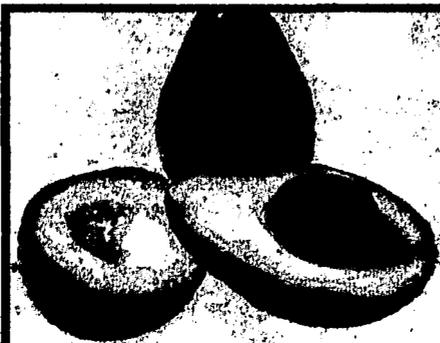
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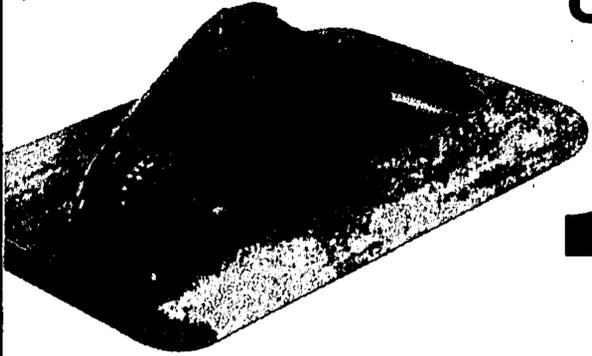
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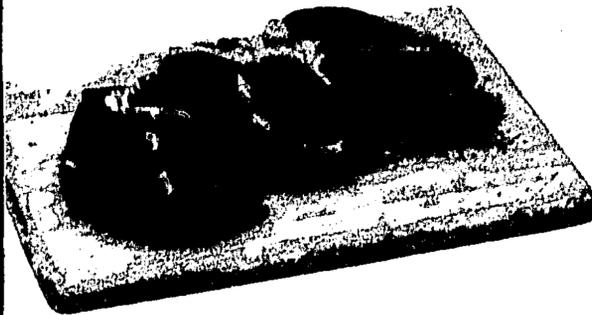
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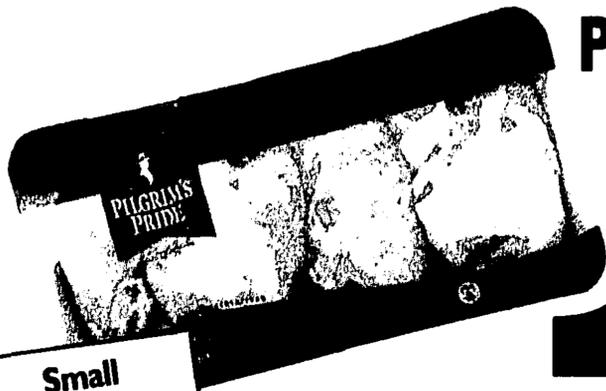
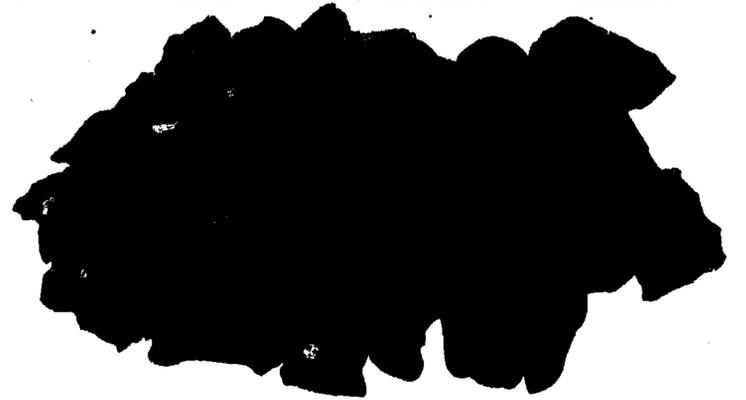


Chuck Tender
Steak
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boneless beef

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LB.

Stew Meat
boneless beef

299
LB.



Pilgrim's Pride
Split Breast
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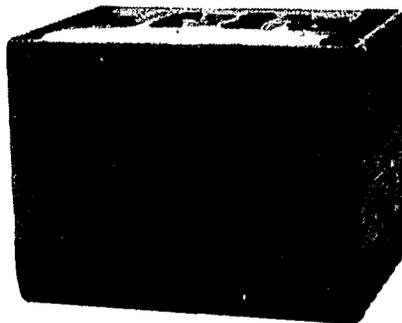
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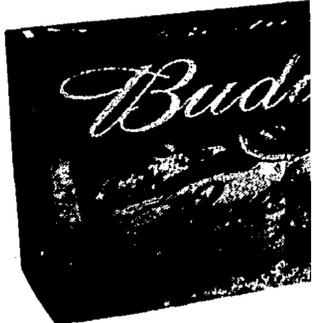
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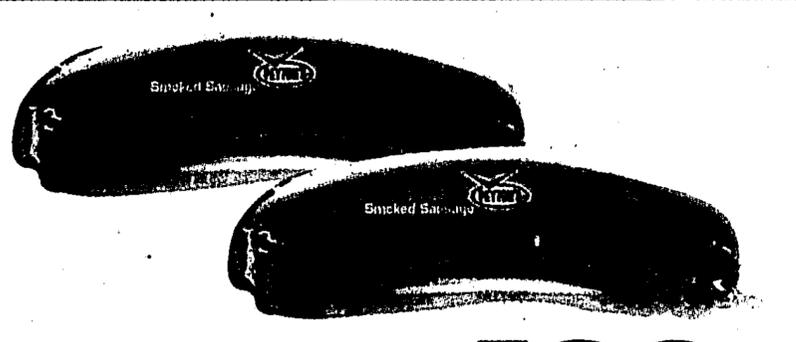
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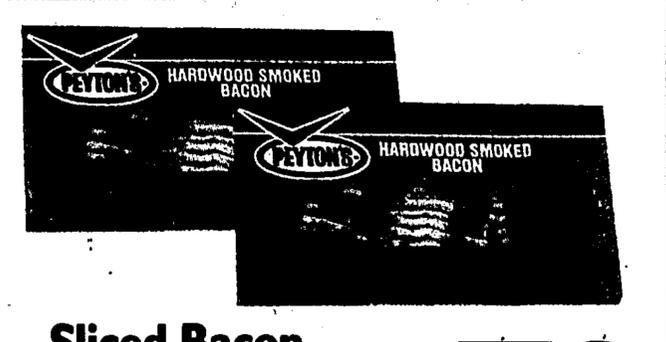
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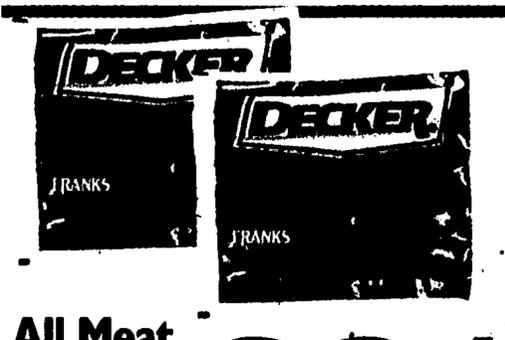
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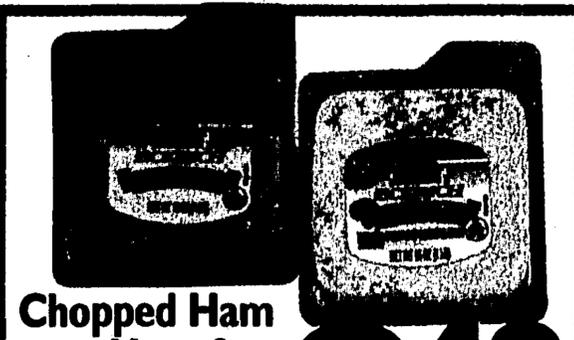
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10 oz. pkg.

1.69



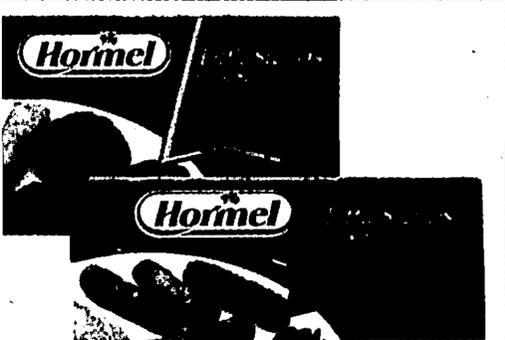
Luncheon Meat
Decker
variety pack
1 lb. pkg.

2.49



Chopped Ham or Ham & Cheese Loaf
Eckrich
1 lb. pkg.

2.49



Hormel Little Sizzlers
links or patties
10-12 oz. pkg.

99¢



Fully Cooked Meat Entrées
Hormel
all varieties
17 oz. pkg.

4.59



Mama Rosa's Pizza
deluxe or pepperoni
2 pack pkg.
26.6 oz.

2.79

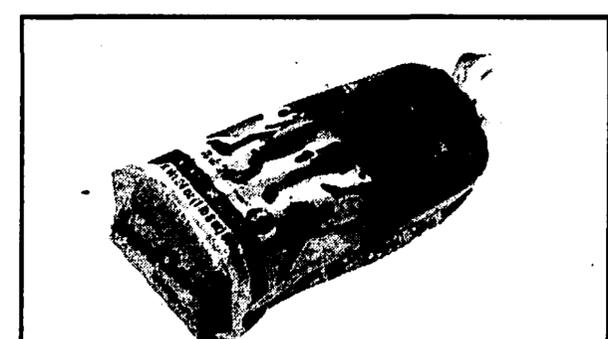


Burritos or Chimachangas
Las Campanas
assorted
40 oz. pkg.

2.39

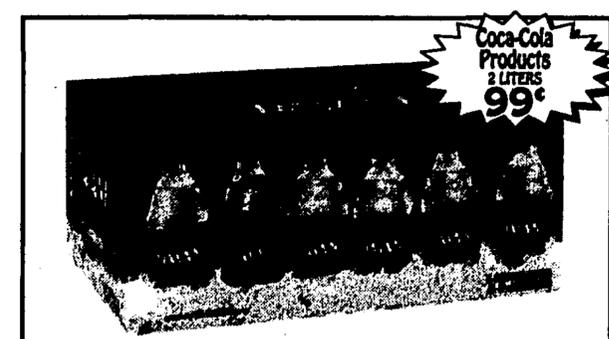


\$1.199



IRON KIDS Sandwich Bread
24 OZ. LOAF

\$1.39



DASANI Drinking Water
24 PK. 12 OZ.

\$4.99



COCA-COLA, DIET COKE, SPRITE, DR PEPPER & OTHER Coke Products
6 PK. 12 OZ. CANS

4 \$7 FOR 7

FROZEN FOODS



New York Texas Toast
garlic/cheese
13.5 oz.
2 FOR \$5



Shurfine Pizza
premium pepperoni,
4 cheese
or supreme
29.4-34.9 oz. Compare to DiGiorno
3.99



Ore Ida Frozen Potatoes
select group
20-32 oz.
2.19



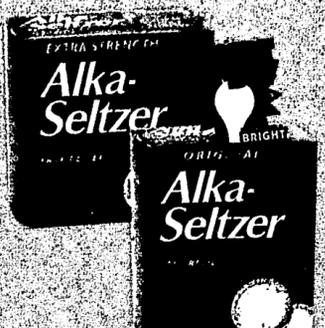
Fish Fillets or Sticks
Van de Kamp's
select group
11-13 oz.
2.79



Aleve
•40 ct. gelcap
•50 ct. tablet
or caplet
4.79



Pedia Care Medicine
•18 ct. multi chewables
•.5 oz. children's or infants' drops
•4 oz. children's cold cough or allergy
3.99



Alka Seltzer
•24 ct. extra strength or pm
•36 ct. original
3.49



Listerine Mouth Wash
select group
16.9 oz.
2.99

DAIRY



Plains Milk
homogenized or 2%
gallon
2 FOR \$5



Shredded Cheese
Cache Valley cheddar/jack or mexican blend
8 oz.
1.69



Deli Deluxe Cheese
Kraft American individual wrapped singles
16 oz.
3.79



Orange Juice
Plains
gallon
2.79



Butter Quarters
Challenge reg. or unsalted
16 oz.
2.29



Whipped Butter
Challenge
8 oz.
1.29

Where Available Shred & Store Containers
1 ct.
2 FOR \$5

Where Available Canister Set
w/lock lid
3 pk.
2 FOR \$5



**New York
Texas Toast
garlic/cheese
13.5 oz.**

2 FOR \$5



Shurfine Pizza
premium
pepperoni,
4 cheese
or supreme
3.99
29.4-34.9 oz. Compare to DiGiorno



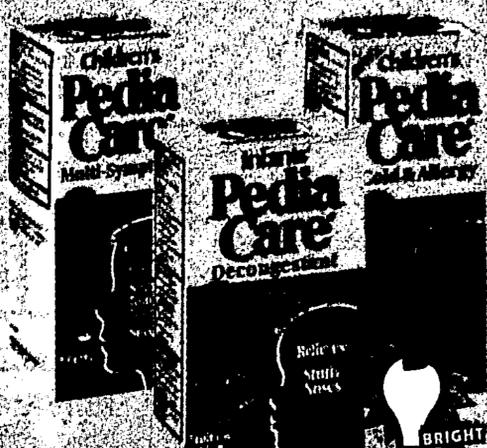
**Ore Ida
Frozen
Potatoes**
select group
20-32 oz. **2.19**



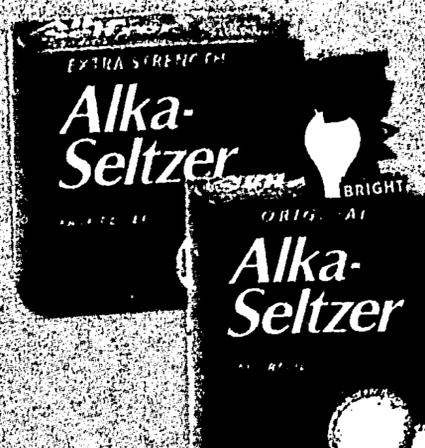
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Alka Seltzer
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or pm
•36 ct. original
3.49



**Listerine
Mouth Wash**
select group
16.9 oz. **2.99**

DAIRY



Plains
Milk
homogenized
or 2%
gallon

2 FOR \$5



Shredded
Cheese
Cache Valley
cheddar/jack or
mexican blend
8 oz.

1 69



Deli Deluxe
Cheese
Kraft American
individual wrapped
singles
16 oz.

3 79



Orange
Juice
Plains
gallon

2 79



Butter
Quarters
Challenge
reg. or
unsalted
16 oz.

2 29

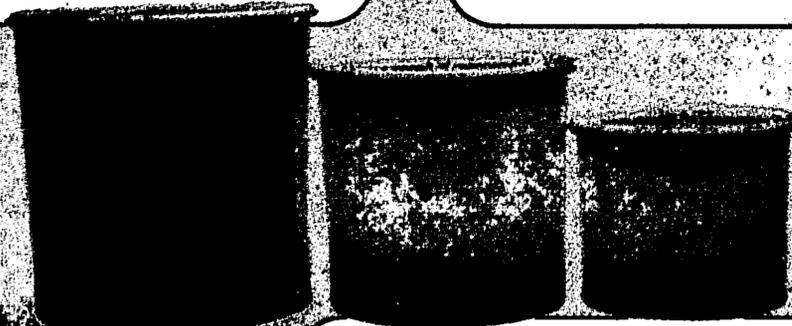


Whipped
Butter
Challenge
8 oz.

1 29

Where Available
Shred &
Store Containers
1 ct.

2 FOR \$5



Where Available
Canister Set
w/lock lid
3 pk.

2 FOR \$5



Avocados
salad size

4 \$1
FOR

Fresh Produce



Guacamole Mix
MPK
mild or spicy
1 oz. pkg.

99¢

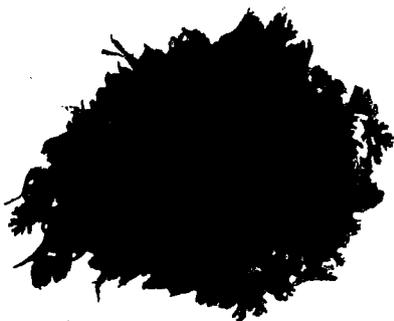


Lemons or
Limes
tangy
mix or match

5 \$1
FOR

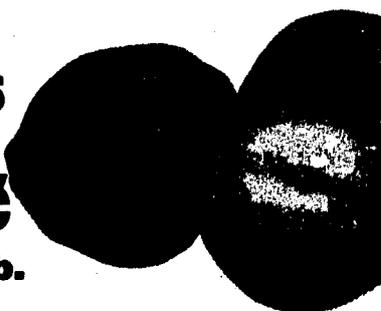
Cilantro
fresh

4 \$1
FOR



Tomatillos
fresh

99¢
lb.



White
Potatoes
long

79¢
lb.



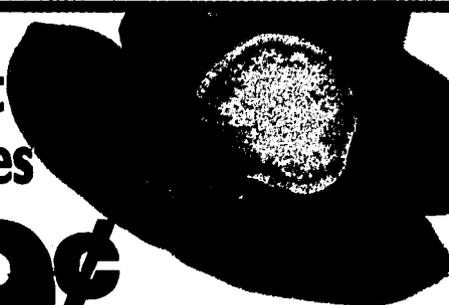
Mini Peeled
Carrots
cello pack
1 lb. pkg.

99¢
ea.



Sweet
Potatoes

79¢
lb.



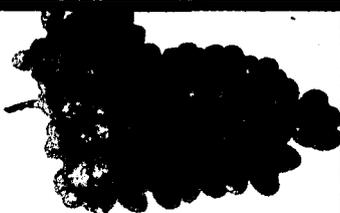
Anaheim
Peppers

99¢
lb.



Seedless Grapes
green

1 39
lb.



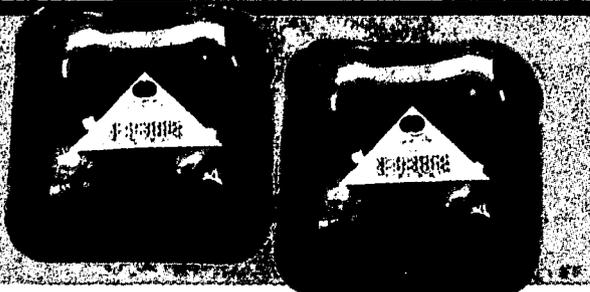
Artichokes
fresh

2 \$3
FOR



Tomatoes
cello pack
4 ct.

2 \$3
FOR



Bell Peppers
red

79¢
ea.



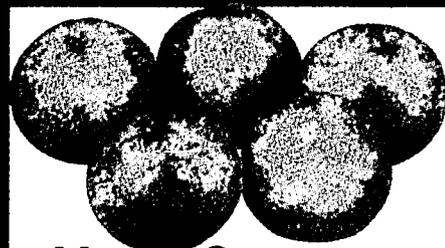
Bell Peppers
large green

2 \$1
FOR



Navel Oranges
juicy

2 \$1
LBS.



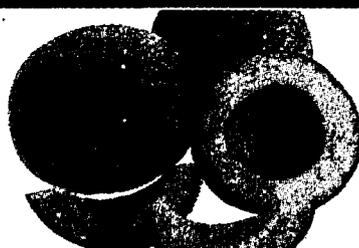
Grapefruit
breakfast size

5 \$1
FOR



Cantaloupes
juicy

49¢
lb.



Red Delicious
Apples
Washington
5 lb. bag

2 99
ea.





Avocados
salad size

4 \$1
FOR

Fresh Produce



Guacamole Mix
MPK
mild or spicy
1 oz. pkg.

99¢

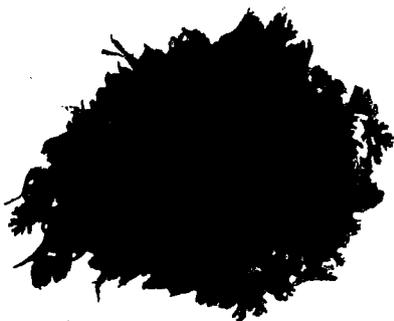


Lemons or
Limes
tangy
mix or match

5 \$1
FOR

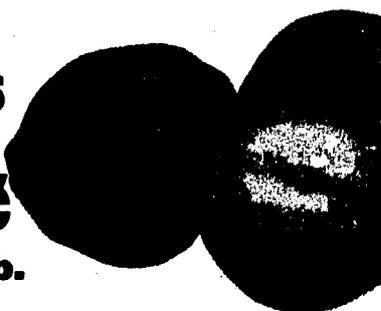
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fresh

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FOR



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Potatoes
long

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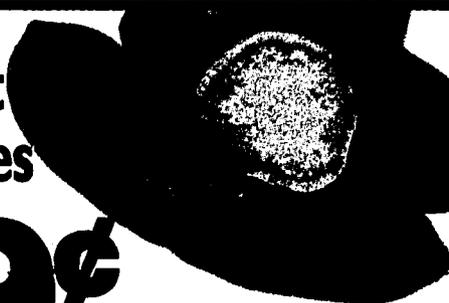
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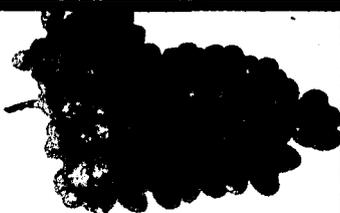
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Seedless Grapes
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1 39
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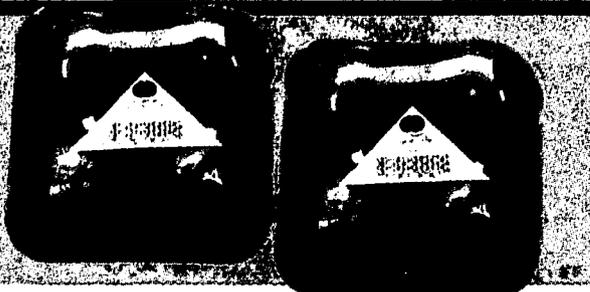
Artichokes
fresh

2 \$3
FOR



Tomatoes
cello pack
4 ct.

2 \$3
FOR



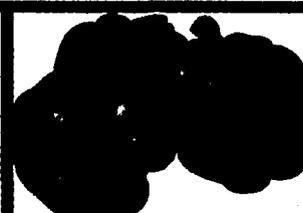
Bell Peppers
red

79¢
ea.



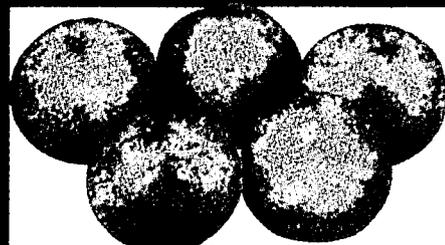
Bell Peppers
large green

2 \$1
FOR



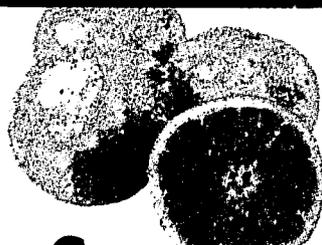
Navel Oranges
juicy

2 \$1
LBS.



Grapefruit
breakfast size

5 \$1
FOR



Cantaloupes
juicy

49¢
lb.



Red Delicious
Apples
Washington
5 lb. bag

2 99
ea.





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S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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2	3	4				



U.S.D.A.
Select
BEEF

Boneless Rump Roast

1.99

Lb.



Whole in Bag
Cut and Wrapped for Free!

Boneless, Sirloin Strip Steak

2.99

Lb.



Regular or Hot & Spicy

Hormel Little Sizzlers

99¢

12 oz. Pkg.



Selected Varieties

Country Crock Spread

2.93

3 Lb. Tubs For

\$\$\$ DOLLAR DAY IGA

Selected Varieties Stouffer's Family Style Entrees

3 \$10

32-40 oz. Pkgs. For

Limit 3, Thereafter 2 For \$10.00



Blue Bell Ice Cream

3 \$10

Selected Varieties Kool-Aid 10 Ct. Jammers

3 \$6

6.75 oz. Pkgs. For



Honey CO



Assorted Varieties Honey Bunches of Oats, Shredded Wheat or Honeycomb

Post Cereal

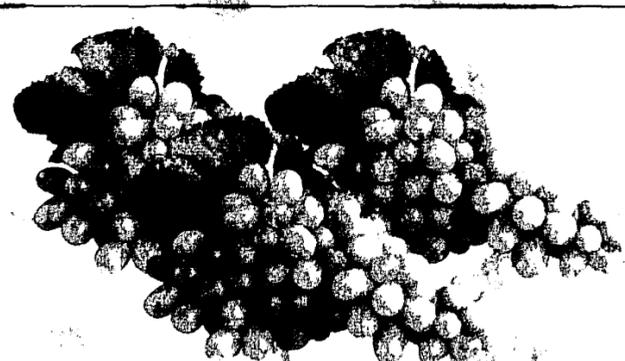
2 \$4

13-20 oz. Boxes For

BestYet Mac & Cheese

5 \$1

7.25 oz. Boxes For



White Seedless Grapes

99¢

Lb.



Brawny 3 Ct. Pkg. Paper Towels

2 \$5

Each For



Red Ripe Tomatoes

4.69¢

Lb.



Selected Varieties Maxwell House Coffee

2 \$4

11.5-13 oz. Cans For

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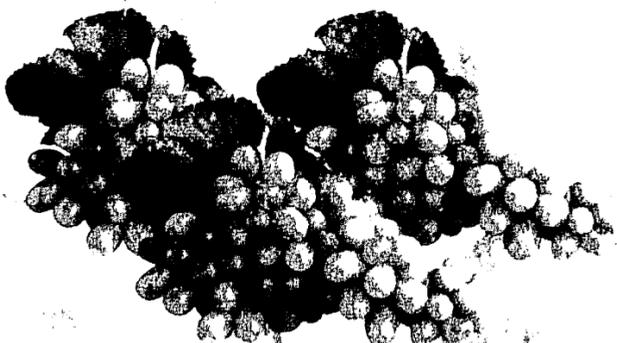
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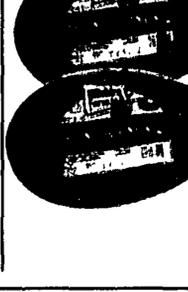
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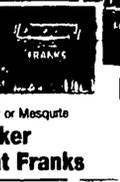
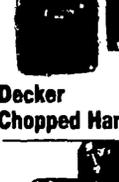
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We Gladly do Special Order!

We grind our hamburger meat FRESH DAILY in our store!

 <p>U.S.D.A. Select BEEF Boneless Tenderized Round Steaks 2.49 Lb.</p>	 <p>Med Size Pork Spare Ribs 1.89 Lb.</p>	 <p>Boneless Pork Tenderloin 3.29 Lb.</p>
 <p>U.S.D.A. Select BEEF With Veggies Beef or Pork Stir Fry 3.99 Lb.</p>	 <p>Extra Lean Ground Chili Meat 1.99 Lb.</p>	 <p>Cubed Beef Tripe 3.99 Lb.</p>
 <p>Case of Case Cheese Singles 89¢ ball park Franks 2.50 10 oz. Pkgs. For</p>	 <p>PORK SAUSAGE Mild or Hot Homestown Pork Sausage 1.89 16 oz. Roll</p>	 <p>All Varieties Hillshire Farms Smoked Sausage 1.99 16 Oz. Pkg.</p>

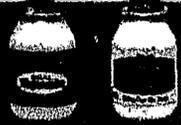
 <p>Regular or Polish Peyton's Smoked Sausage 1.39 14 oz. Pkg</p>	 <p>Regular, Garlic or Thick Decker Meat Bologna 99¢ 12 oz. Pkg</p>	 <p>Regular or Mesquite Decker Meat Franks 79¢ 12 oz. Pkg</p>	 <p>Decker Cooked Ham 2.09 10 oz. Pkg</p>
 <p>Decker Chopped Ham 1.99 12 oz. Pkg</p>	 <p>Regular or Beer'n Bratwurst or Mild or Hot Italian Sausage Johnsonville Bratwurst or Italian Sausage 3.99 19.78 oz. Pkg</p>	 <p>Mild or Spicy Pedro's Tamales 3.99 12 oz. Pkg</p>	 <p>Regular or Beef Hillshire Cocktail Smokies 2.50 14-16 oz. Pkgs. For</p>
 <p>BestYet Corn Dogs 1.69 16 oz. Pkg</p>	 <p>Captain's Cove Flounder Fillets 3.39 12 oz. Pkg</p>	 <p>Captain's Cove Cod Fillets 3.69 12 oz. Pkg</p>	 <p>Captain's Cove Salad Shrimp 99¢ 4 oz. Pkg</p>

Dairy

 <p>Selected Varieties Tropicana Pure Premium Orange Juice 2.50 64 oz. Ctrns. For</p>	 <p>Selected Varieties Gandy's, Price's or Creamland or Cottage Cheese 2.50 24 oz. Tubs For</p>	 <p>Grands! 8 Ct. Biscuits 4.50 16.3-17.3 oz. Rolls For</p>
 <p>Lactose Free Dairy Ease Milk 3.00 64 oz. Ctrnr</p>	 <p>BestYet Pie Crusts 2.30 1 Lb. Pkgs For</p>	 <p>Dole Blends 2.50 64 oz. Ctrns For</p>
 <p>Country Crock Quarters 3.20 1 Lb. Pkgs For</p>	 <p>I Can't Believe It's Not Butter! 4.50 8-16 oz. Ctrns For</p>	 <p>Pillsbury Cookies & Brownies 2.50 18 oz. Pkgs. For</p>

Frozen Foods

 <p>Selected Varieties Stouffer's Family Style Mac & Cheese 4.00 32-40 oz. Pkg.</p>	 <p>Selected Varieties Country Charm 6 Pack Ice Cream Bars 2.30 Each For</p>	 <p>Stouffer's Side Dish or Mac & Cheese 3.50 10-12 oz. Pkgs. For</p>
 <p>Stouffer's Double Stuffed Peppers 2.50 14-17 oz. Pkgs. For</p>	 <p>Fisher Boy 48 Ct. Fish Sticks 2.60 24 oz. Boxes For</p>	 <p>Stouffer's Single Serve Lasagna 2.60 21 oz. Pkgs. For</p>
 <p>Selected Varieties Stouffer's Homestyle Entrees 2.50 8.78-20 oz. Pkgs. For</p>	 <p>Selected Varieties Dole Frozen Pineapple Juices 4.50 12 oz. Cans For</p>	 <p>Selected Varieties Stouffer's Bowls or Pot Pies 2.50 11-12 oz. Pkgs. For</p>



Selected Varieties
**Lipton
Side Dishes**



1.00
4-5.7 oz.
Pkg.

Selected Varieties
**Wish-Bone
Dressing**



2.4
16 oz.
Btls. For

Selected Varieties
**Ragu
Spaghetti Sauce**



2.4
16-30.5 oz.
Jars For



**Gold Medal
Corn Muffin or
Pizza Crust Mix**

2.1
6.5 oz.
Pkgs. For



**BestYet
Black Pepper**

2.3
4 oz.
Cans For



Selected Varieties
**Kraft
Velveeta Potatoes**

2.4
10.25-11.75 oz.
Pkgs. For



Selected Varieties
**Quaker
Bag Cereal**

3.5
12-18 oz.
Pkgs. For



Cocoa Puffs

5.00



**Blueberry
Pancake Mix**

**Buttermilk
Pancake Mix**

3.99



Red or White
**Welch's 100%
Grape Juices**

2.6
48 oz.
Btls. For



Selected Varieties
**Gatorade 8-Pack
Thirst Quencher**

3.00
8.45 oz.
Box



Selected Varieties
**Lipton
Cold Brew**

2.4
3.75 oz.
Boxes For



Selected Varieties
**Lipton
Tea Bags**

2.4
6 oz.
Boxes For



Selected Varieties
**Betty Crocker or
Gold Medal Brownies
& Muffin Mix**

3.2
5.4-10.25 oz.
Pkgs. For



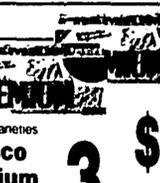
**Crunch'n Munch
Caramel Popcorn**

1.00
4 oz.
Pkg.



Selected Varieties
**Nabisco
Graham's
& Sticks**

2.5
13-14 oz.
Pkgs. For



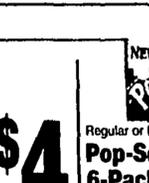
Selected Varieties
**Nabisco
Premium
Crackers**

3.5
12-16.5 oz.
Pkgs. For



Selected Varieties
**Frito Lay
Tostitos
or Ruffles**

2.5
11-13.5 oz.
Pkgs. For



Regular or Cinnamon
**Lucky Leaf
Apple Sauce**

2.4
48 oz.
Jars For



Selected Varieties
**Honey Maid
Graham's
& Sticks**

2.5
13-14 oz.
Pkgs. For



Selected Varieties
**Nabisco
Premium
Crackers**

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Pkgs. For



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or Ruffles**

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Pkgs. For



Regular or Cinnamon
**Lucky Leaf
Apple Sauce**

2.4
48 oz.
Jars For



**Brach's
Chocolate
Laydown Bags**

3.00
12 oz.
Bag



**Soft'n Gentle
White
Bath Tissue**

2.6
16-22 Double Roll



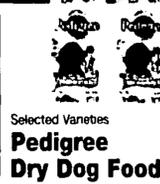
Fish/Tuna or Poultry/Seafood
**Alley Cat
3.5 Lb. Bag
Cat Food**

2.00
Ea.



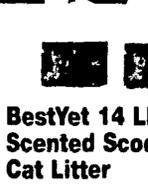
Selected Varieties
**Pedigree
Canned
Dog Food**

3.2
13.2 oz.
Cans For



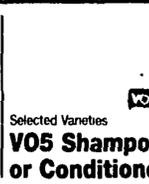
Selected Varieties
**Pedigree
Dry Dog Food**

10.00
16.3-22 Lb.
Bag



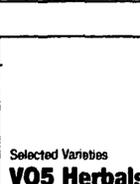
**BestYet 14 Lb.
Scented Scoop
Cat Litter**

3.00
Ea.



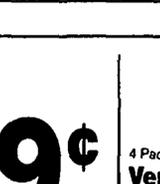
Selected Varieties
**VO5 Shampoo
or Conditioner**

99¢
15 oz.
Btl.



Selected Varieties
**VO5 Herblals
or Milks**

99¢
15 oz.
Cntr.



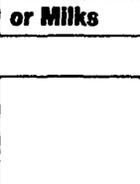
4 Pack Cartridge
**Venus Razor
or Blade**

7.39
Each



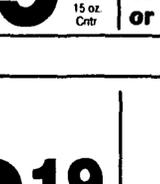
**Mach 3
Turbo Razor
or Cartridge**

6.99
1 Ct.
Pkg.



Selected Varieties
**Arm & Hammer
Deodorant**

2.19
2.7-3.0 oz.
Cntr.



**BestYet
Alcohol**

2.1
12-16 oz.
Btls. For



**BestYet
Peroxide**

2.1
16 oz.
Btls. For

Bakery

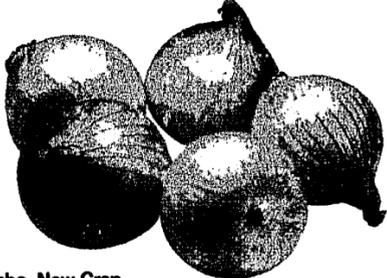


IGA Fresh Produce



Red Ripe
Slicing Tomatoes

69¢
Lb.



Yellow, Jumbo, New Crop
Sweet Onions

69¢
Lb.



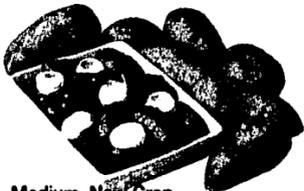
Red Leaf or Green
Leaf Lettuce

69¢
Bunch



Fresh, Fancy & Spicy
Zucchini Squash

69¢
Lb.



Medium, New Crop
Sweet Potatoes

69¢
Lb.



Whole Peeled
Bunny Luv
Baby Carrots

99¢
12 oz. Pkg.



California, Seedless
Navel Oranges

10\$1
For



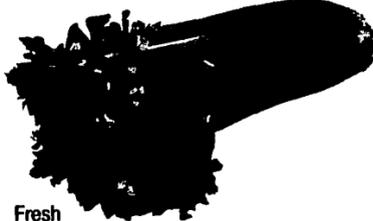
Fresh Lemons

10\$1
For



California, Medium Size
Hass Avocados

2\$1
For



Fresh
Crisp Celery

2\$1
For



Texas Rio Star Grapefruit

4\$1
For



Deli

12 Piece Mixed Fried Chicken, 2 Lbs. Mashed Potatoes, 1 Lb. Gravy & 6 Rolls

Chester Fried Chicken Deal



8.99

American Favorite

Chopped Ham

1.79
Lb.



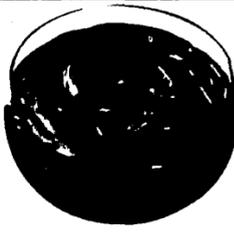
Hot Pepper Cheese

3.39
Lb.



Chocolate or Vanilla Pudding

99¢
Lb.



Hot & Ready to Eat!
Chicken Cheese Crisпитos

2\$1
For



6 Pack
Dasani

2.25

4 Pack
Frappuccino

3.49



Coke or Dr Pepper

2\$7
12 Pack Cans For

1/2 Liter Btl. **Aquafina** 6 Packs

2.25

3 Liter Bottle **Coke or Dr Pepper** 3 For

\$5



12 oz. Cans
Coors, Coors Light, MGD or Miller Lite

Bud or Bud Light

17.99
30 Pack Cans

5.99

12 Oz. Bottles **Sierra Blanca** 6 Pack



1.5 Liter Bottle
Glen Ellen Wine
9.99

750 mL. Bottle
Absolut Vodka

17.99

750 mL. Bottle **Bailey's Irish Cream**

17.99

Lawrence Brothers

Your Money Transfer Headquarters

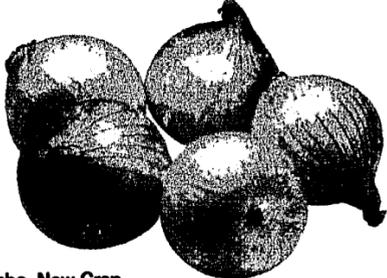
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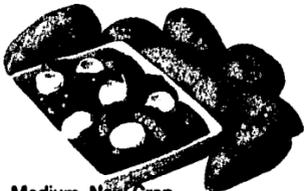
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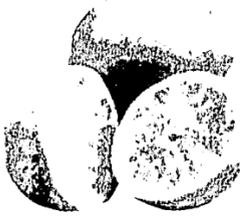
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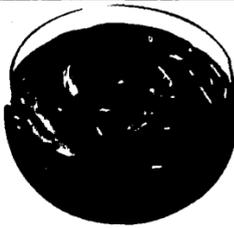
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Cheese**

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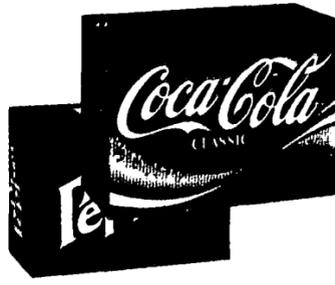
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