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Wastewater board: Time needed

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Partners in a regional waste water treatment plant will seek a new federal operation permit and a state variance on stream pollution standards coupled with a new compliance deadline.

After a 75 minute session behind closed doors Thursday, members of the Regional Waste Water Treatment Joint Use Board approved motions directing attorneys and staff to pursue those goals. The members represent the village of Ruidoso and the city of Ruidoso Downs,

who jointly own the plant.

Board members traveled to Dallas to meet Tuesday with Environmental Protection Agency officials about a Jan. 1, 2004, deadline to retool the plant to meet a higher standard for the removal of phosphorus. The cost of plant expansion and improvements is estimated at \$21 million, an amount beyond the bonding capacity of the entities.

John Waters, Ruidoso Downs city manager, reported that EPA officials won't budge off the deadline under current conditions.

"We thought it was Jan. 31, 2004, and were told it was Jan. 1, so there goes another month," he said. "I still didn't feel any assurance that we would not be fined. I actually came away with the feeling that there would eventually be fines.

"The sand is running out of the hour glass."

Waters said the two municipalities "can't possibly build a plant of the magnitude required by the (current) permit."

To accept a modification of the permit, EPA officials will need assurance from the state Environment Department and

joint use board members that pollutants will be removed from the Ruidoso River by identifying sources and taking action, he said. Stopping pollution above and below the plant should have more of an impact than trying to place the whole burden on the plant, he said.

"The caveat is that we have to get an ED approval first and then go to the (state) Water Quality Control Board" which meets Nov. 12, he said.

If successful, between that date and the first of the year, the joint board must

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SADDLE UP, COWBOYS



DIANNE STALLINGS/STAFF

Elizabeth Guerra, left, and Diana Lopez take a coffee break while setting up the Sasajillo chuck wagon at the Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium that runs through Sunday the Ruidoso Downs Race Track. The chuck wagon crew drove 840 miles from Mission, Texas, "through rain, construction and falling boulders," to compete in the symposium cooking competition.

Property tax rate drop is possible

Ruidoso's residential values grow by \$10.5 million; small bond debt remains

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

To produce the same amount of property tax revenue as last year, municipalities can drop their rates because of a \$42-million increase in property values throughout Lincoln County.

Under that 77 percent increase, county appraisers in the assessor's office concentrated on bringing land values in line with the higher market and not on re-evaluating homes, said County Assessor Rick Silva.

Residential values in Ruidoso grew by \$10.5 million to \$206.8 million, about 5 percent. Nonresidential values increased from \$51.6 million to \$56.6 million.

However, Silva's first impression that all municipalities in the county are debt free was wrong, he told county commissioners at a meeting Monday called to certify the tax rates. Ruidoso still carries a small bond debt. It dropped by about 1.4 mills from last year and now sits at 1.130 mills.

One mill equates to \$1 for each \$1,000 of property tax value. New Mexico taxes on one-third of market value.

Ruidoso Downs residential values jumped by \$1 million to \$12.49 million. Non residential went up by another \$1 million to \$12.7 million, according to the certified figures.

Residential values in the Capitan school district but outside of that village, which includes Alto and part of Ranches of Sonterra, jumped by nearly \$8 million to \$134 million. Inside the village, residential values slide slightly to \$8.9 million, but nonresidential value increase to \$3 million from \$2.5 million.

In other information from Silva:

- Residential values in Carrizozo rose from \$3.5 million to \$4 million.

- Residential values in Corona increased by about \$20,000 to \$601,082.

- Values outside of Corona dipped, while those outside of Carrizozo stayed level, except for a \$3 million increase in non-residential to \$15.7 million.

Aspenfest gets international view

■ African police officers training in Roswell paid a visit to Ruidoso last weekend.

BY DAVE PRICE
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Last weekend, Ruidoso was hopping with classic cars, a festive parade, a chili cook-off and other Aspenfest events. Keeping watchful eyes on the goings-on were 45 visiting police officers from Africa.

The police men and women, whose ranks varied but included at least one station superintendent, are students at the International Law Enforcement Academy (ILEA) in Roswell.

The Roswell academy is distinguished from the three other ILEAs in Hungary, Thailand and Botswana - by emphasis on academics rather than

technical skills.

The Department of State's Bureau for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs authorized the ILEA-Roswell project through March 2006.

The ILEA program was established in Roswell through the efforts of U.S. Sen. Pete Domenici and now-retired Congressman Joe Skeen. ILEA is used to fulfill a U.S. commitment to international law enforcement in order to tackle transnational criminal issues, such as counter narcotics or money laundering.

The other partners in the program are Sam Houston State University and Eastern New Mexico University-Roswell. Dr. Van Romero, vice president for research and economic development at New

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DAVE PRICE/STAFF

Enjoying the sights along Sudderth in Ruidoso Saturday were Marijani Nsato, right, a police superintendent from Tanzania, and Carlos Rodriguez, a driver for the International Law Enforcement Academy in Roswell. The two were among a group of nearly 50 ILEA students from various African nations which visited Ruidoso.

Stinnett pleads guilty in DiPaolo incident; sentencing pending

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
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Nearly two years after an encounter with a 16-year-old runaway, a former Ruidoso Police officer may face prison time for jerking the girl to the floor while she was handcuffed.

The village council authorized a \$500,000 settlement of a related civil

lawsuit against the village and its police department in 2002.

Alfred Clyde Stinnett Jr., who resigned from his job after the Nov. 7, 2001 incident with Suzanne DiPaolo, pleaded guilty to witness tampering Tuesday in U.S. District Court in Albuquerque.

A second charge, deprivation of rights, was dropped by U.S. Attorney

David Iglesias and trial attorney Allison L. Jernow with the U.S. Justice Department. Jernow prosecuted the case against the 40-year-old Stinnett in front of Judge C. LeRoy Hanson.

A Stinnett family member said his sentencing will be conducted in U.S. District Court in Las Cruces, but no date is set. She said after that time, "the whole story" may come out.

Since the incident, DiPaolo, now 18, ran afoul of the law on two other occasions. According to 12th Judicial District Court records, on Jan. 14, 2003, she pleaded no contest to receiving stolen property, auto burglary, theft of identity and forgery. On July 18, she was declared in violation of her probation for not staying at a designated residence in

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PLANT: Major investment is needed, officials say

Need to ask for more resources for air

Lincoln County Commissioner Leo Martinez, a Lincoln County commissioner, decided congressional help is needed right away.

He contacted John Billingsley, a local contact for U.S. Representative Steve Pearce, R-N.M., to set up a meeting with Jim Richards, Pearce's chief of staff, in Las Cruces Saturday.

The wastewater treatment issue will be the focus.

"The whole team is going," Martinez said of members of the joint use board, Ruidoso's planning director and Ruidoso Downs attorney. "We really need this guy's ear."

As with the meeting with federal Environmental Protection Agency officials Tuesday, the encounter will be declared a closed executive session of the joint use board because a quorum of members will be present.

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apply for a new plant operation permit effective next year, with a new compliance date to build a better treatment plant and to reach the removal standard, he explained. That would include paving dirt roads and hooking up homes on septic systems to the sewer lines, he said.

Dan Bryant, attorney for Ruidoso Downs, said the effort will focus on treatment of the entire watershed.

"This should let us do that and produce a higher quality water from the (Ski Apache) area to Glencoe," he said.

"The pollution numbers that Mr. Bryant is talking about all the way to the ski area and are almost the same as what comes out of the plant, so it's a county-wide problem," said Leo Martinez, a Lincoln County commissioner and joint use board member. "The trade-off is that the sewage plant has to be brought up to date and that will cost some money."

Waters offered the motion to direct the staff to prepare a new permit application covering the issues discussed with EPA.

Ruidoso village manager Lorri McKnight offered the motion for staff to prepare requests for variances on stream quality standards and the compliance timeline for the Nov. 12 WQCB meeting.

As a new member of the board, Martinez

congratulated representatives of the two municipalities for working effectively together at the EPA meeting.

Historically, the two towns have tried to maintain separate identities.

"I was pleased to see you work together as a community," he said. "I was really impressed. But I think the community must understand this will cost a lot of money. I think they will support it."

"I hope Mescalero (Apache Tribe) will participate because it is a regional situation. I hope they eventually become part of this board."

Charles Rennick, village planning director, clarified for people in the audience from downstream communities that the stream standard variance won't degrade the river.

Bryant said if the effort with EPA and ED is successful, short-term money will be freed up to treat the watershed.

"If all the money went to the plant, there would be no resources left to treat the problem," the attorney said.

Rennick, who authored a plan already underway to test for pollutants along the river to identify sources and enact remediation, said EPA officials wanted to know what had been accomplished to date.

The joint use board's next meeting is set for 10 a.m. Nov. 13, at Ruidoso Downs city hall, but Ruidoso Mayor Leon Eggleston said special sessions may be called in the interim.

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DAVE PRICE/STAFF

Ruidoso Police Chief Lanny Maddox was the guest of honor at the Ruidoso Federated Woman's Club meeting on Monday and drew the winning ticket for the RFWC's painting giveaway. The club's past president's council has been selling tickets at locations such as Lawrence Bros. IGA and elsewhere in recent weeks. Funds raised by the drawing will help cover the contributions made by the club to numerous local charities. More than 3,000 tickets were sold, and the winner was John DeBolt of San Antonio. DeBolt's family lives in Ruidoso. Standing with Maddox at the drawing were Tillie Daubs, left, and Gladys Dendy.

Church zoning on council's agenda

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A proposed rule change that would classify churches as conditional uses in certain commercial zoning categories will be considered Tuesday by the Ruidoso Village Council.

Charles Rennick, village planning director, explained that churches tend not to be true commercial uses and can fit into a variety of zoning districts.

The village's comprehensive plan identifies Mechem and Sudderth Drives as general commercial districts, called C2. Conditional use applications

allow the village planning commission to determine if the proposed use is compatible with surrounding uses and to ensure that the applicant is aware of the potential future uses of surrounding land, he said Thursday.

In a memorandum to the village council, Rennick wrote, "The nature of Ruidoso is that the vast majority of general commercial property is located on Sudderth and Mechem. As the town builds out, the availability of general commercial property becomes restricted, and compatibility of any use with the comprehensive plan becomes more important."

"The comprehensive plan...endeavors to identify the areas and conditions that are suitable for community-wide commercial and tourism uses. A hybrid use such as a church may or may not fit this plan, and conditional use review may therefore be appropriate."

He also noted that Ruidoso contains limited commercial property and market forces "may have a more profound effect on general commercial uses than on conditional uses."

By contrast, churches, like homes, can be located in any district in the village, he wrote. The change would affect C2 areas and the C3 commercial

district in mid-town. Other items on the agenda include:

- Discussion and possible action on a change order from Wilson & Company Inc. for the laboratory building at the Alto Crest Water Treatment Plant #3.
 - Department reports covering a recommendation for the water conservation phase, the Neighborhood Fire Smart Program and the Community Forest Management Plan.
 - A presentation from Susan Carter on a proposed Bark Park.
 - A presentation by Jules Videau on the annual Festival of Lights celebration.
 - A request to award a contract to Carl Kelley Construction for \$108,793 to complete the Eagle Creek waterline crossing on State Route 48 in conjunction with the road improvement project by the state.
- The council meeting will start at 6 p.m. in the village administration center on Cree Meadows Drive.

Tree thinning an economic boon for workers

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A new class of successful entrepreneur was created as a byproduct of more than \$3.2 million funneled into the effort to reduce fuel for wildfires around Ruidoso, says the village's forestry department director.

Speaking last week to village councilors, Rick Delaco said while reducing the number of trees on residential and vacant lots translates to improved safe-

ty, the local, state and federal dollars also contribute to economic development in Lincoln County.

"These guys you used to see with old pickup trucks and chain saws are starting to drive new Cadillacs," he joked, adding the number of tree-cutting and recycling businesses have increased.

For 2002-2003 alone, \$1.885 million was put on ground in thinning work, Delaco said.

Mayor Leon Eggleston said in a meeting that morning with several state senators and state representatives, they were receptive to more grants for the area because "Ruidoso is working dili-

gently to resolve the wildfire problem."

Delaco said the effort started in 1998, two years before a major fire swept through an area on the northeast corner of the village. Another fire occurred in 2002, destroying 29 homes in Alto and areas north of town. Since then, efforts intensified, the council passed new rules for fire resistant construction and landscaping, and included requirements for thinning trees and underbrush on vacant land.

Delaco said he recently returned from a meeting in Albuquerque of the Ecosystem Health/Fire Task Team on which

he serves under the leadership of Southwest Strategies.

"It's a collaboration of many different agencies, where strategies were discussed for the Southwest," Delaco said. The aim is for decisions dealing with residential land and conservation management issues to be based on scientifically legitimate, legally defensible and implementable information, he said.

"It's a collaboration to build partnerships to reduce threats from wildfire," he said. His group of about 12 members is led by regional forester Harv Forsgren, who supervises new forests in Arizona and New Mexico.

STINNETT: Former cop pleads guilty

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Albuquerque, for associating with prohibited persons, for not obeying a curfew, for leaving the county without court permission and for using or being in the presence of someone using alcohol, drugs or a weapon, the records show.

Terms of Stinnett's plea bargain are that his sentence could include prison time of not more than 10 years, a fine of up to \$250,000, a term of supervised release of not more than three years, a mandatory special assessment of \$100 and restitution as may be ordered by the court.

According to U.S. District Court documents,

while DiPaolo was handcuffed by one wrist to a bench, Stinnett slammed her to the ground, resulting in bruises and facial swelling. The incident was captured on videotape. The defendant then "corruptly persuaded another police officer to state falsely that (DiPaolo) had been pulling her wrist from her handcuff," prompting Stinnett to enter the cell.

The agreement states that, "The defendant agrees that if this matter were to proceed to trial, the United States could prove the ... facts beyond a reasonable doubt, and that these facts accurately represent the defendant's provable offense."

VISITORS: From Africa to New Mexico

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Mexico Tech, oversees the program.

Currently, the academy is hosting its 19th session, which is composed of 49 law-enforcement officials from the African nations of Botswana, Lesotho, South Africa, Swaziland and Tanzania. Forty-five of these participants were among the party that visited Ruidoso Saturday.

During their stay, the African law officers visited merchants throughout Midtown Ruidoso. Some enjoyed spicy American cuisine at the Chili Cook-off and the entire group took in a uniquely New Mexico evening at the Flying J Ranch, where they enjoyed a show and authentic chuckwagon dinner.

ILEA students have a wide array of backgrounds. Past participants have included the chief of environmental law enforcement for Brazil, the

heads of national narcotics enforcement agencies, art theft investigators, and the head of a police human rights office.

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OUR OPINION

Taking a firm hold on the gas pump

High prices aren't from 'greed,' but from competition

Now we know why the price to fill up the family SUV in Ruidoso is so expensive.

Putting 20 gallons of regular unleaded gas in your tank right now will cost almost \$34, at the current price — just about everywhere in the county — of \$1.69.9 per gallon.

No, it's not the distance gasoline has to be hauled. It's not even gouging on the part of station operators nor distributor "greed." Lincoln County's Don Brewer, who distributes Shell gasoline in a string of stations he owns, quite frankly said this week that it's pure business competition.

Like you and me, he said,

distributors keep a constant eye on the competition. In our county, the leaders are the big guys: Mirastar at Wal-Mart, Phillips 66 at Allsups, and Indian tribes, who can, but don't have to, take advantage of the fact that there's no state tax.

So nobody is going to lower prices if the others are hanging on. If one of the big guys does lower prices, everybody else tends to follow suit. And, as Brewer said, if the price of oil goes up, gas prices go up very quickly; if crude prices drop, the price at the pump goes down...slowly.

So now we know. It's pure capitalism at work.

Let's not forget who started the Symposium

On a rainy afternoon in Ruidoso (rare as that has been this year), it occurred to me that somebody out there should write a little song in appreciation...



MOUNTAIN ASIDES
KEITH GREEN

"On a rainy afternoon in Ruidoso ... when the clouds hug the hills in their arms ... something good should happen to someone... 'cause a rainy Ruidoso has its charms..."

Well, sorry; best I can do.

Ray Reed, who founded the Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium with a lot of hope and considerable musical talent of his own a good 14 years ago, could have turned that idea into a toe-tapping tune, sending whole lines of dancers into paroxysms of delight.

Ray is gone now, and many other things have changed; I wasn't even able to find his name on the Hubbard Museum of the American West's Symposium Web site.

But before the Symposium was moved from the Lincoln County Events Center in Glencoe, those who traveled down the valley of the Rio Ruidoso to try out the chuckwagon food and listen to all that wonderful cowboy poetry and swing music would see him everywhere, working with the musicians, visiting the crowd in the best promotional style, playing MC one minute, going into an impromptu tune and two-step the next.

Ray Reed was an original. He had his own band in California, tuned into the swing era with enthusiasm — but never, ever forgot his New Mexico roots. He was born in Tucumcari country and now is buried there.

Ray, who lived many years in Ruidoso Downs, was first of all a promoter. His brain teemed with ideas to "do something" for Lincoln County.

One morning in the late '90s, he came into the newspaper office to give us the scoop on what that year's Symposium would feature. That visit included a few impromptu lyrics and a story or two from his long and colorful

past — like the time he inveigled Walt Disney to the county and walked him all over Lincoln, and tried to convince him that it would be a great place for a theme park. Maybe not a Disneyland, but something...

That didn't happen; Ray said Walt was interested, but considered Lincoln too remote to make a commercial success.

But Ray didn't give up, and the promoting he did with the multiple Hubbard enterprises brought on, at last, the first Cowboy Symposium at Glencoe.

The way I remember it, the Symposium just felt like it belonged in Glencoe — chuckwagons on the hill behind the building (now housing a home-grown woodchip enterprise), a handy rodeo arena next to the big old sheet-metal building and the neighboring tent. Dust and smiles and much spittin' and whittlin' by storytellers and cowhands from all over.

But the Glencoe Symposium drowned in its own success. It just outgrew the facility, and Ray didn't mind that it would be brought in to the Hubbards' race track in the Downs. More space, easier parking, bigger crowds...

The Symposium is this weekend, and I wish Ray were there to cheer it, and maybe finish my little ditty about a rainy afternoon in Ruidoso.

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RAY REED WOULD BE PLEASED...



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LINCOLN COUNTY COWBOY SYMPOSIUM

YOUR OPINION

That Aspenfest parade just didn't work

To the editor:

What has happened to our Aspenfest parade?

We started to the parade (last Saturday) at 9:15 and were immediately turned away quite some distance from the parade route. The police had blocked off most access roads to the route. We wound our way down Paradise Canyon and found that we could not turn toward town on Sudderth.

Is it any wonder that the parade route was sparsely populated? How in the world do they expect us to get to the parade route from 1/2 mile away? After much back-riding we finally found a spot near the Shamrock station on Sudderth.

The first element of the parade was a State Police motorcycle. Where were the colors? I have gone to many parades in my 70-plus years and have never seen one start without our national colors as the lead element. Several people by the roadside asked the same question.

The next dozen or so elements were fire trucks, wagons and etc., with sirens going full blast. OK I can handle that until they stopped in front of us for about 10 minutes and kept the sirens going. Where was the parade marshal to tell them to stop until they started moving again? Finally someone got the word to them and all stopped except the Bonito wagon. He just would not give up.

The parade started moving and had gone for maybe five minutes when someone was injured at the Wingfield junction. The accident was off to the right side and left plenty of room for the rest of the parade to continue. They just stopped and waited. Where was the parade marshal to keep the floats moving? After approximately 15 minutes someone figured out that they could still go and not interfere with the accident scene.

Finally, after the parade appeared to be over, most bystanders started leaving. Nothing in sight. As I was driving along Wingfield, lo and behold here was a large part of the parade still coming down the parade route. Where was the parade marshal?

This was the most poorly organized and run parade that I have seen in many years. I feel quite sure that we can do better.

I would be most happy to ride up and down the parade route on the four wheeler and keep things moving. If there is no one to carry the colors I would be glad to do so. I believe that the police department should take a closer look at blocking off all access roads so far from the parade route. There is plenty of parking in the downtown area. Walking is not a problem but hiking is.

R. N. Nichols
Ruidoso

Now, listen up, pooch

To the editor:

My cats and dogs do not listen to me. But they do read the paper. Please help.

Dear dog and cat — via the editor:
When I say to move, it means to go

someplace else, not switch positions with each other so there are still two of you in the way.

The dishes with the paw print are yours and contain your food.

The other dishes are mine and contain my food. Please note, placing a paw print in the middle of my plate and food does not stake a claim for it becoming your food and dish, nor do I find that aesthetically pleasing in the slightest.

I cannot buy anything bigger than a king-size bed. I am very sorry about this. Do not think I will continue to sleep on the couch to ensure your comfort. Look at videos of dogs and cats sleeping, they can actually curl up in a ball.

For the last time, there is not a secret exit from the bathroom. If by some miracle I beat you there and manage to get the door shut, it is not necessary to claw, whine, try to turn the knob, or get your paw under the edge and try to pull the door open. When I exit this room, I will come out the same door I entered. In addition, I have been using bathrooms for years. Canine/feline attendance has never been necessary.

The proper order is kiss me, then go smell the other dogs/cats' butts. I cannot stress this enough. It would be such a simple change for you.

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time, are easier to train, usually come when called, never drive your car, don't hang out with drug-using friends, don't smoke or drink, don't worry about buying the latest fashions, don't wear your clothes, don't need a gazillion dollars for college, and if they get pregnant, you can sometimes sell the results.

Sunny Aris
Ruidoso

RC volunteers lauded

To the editor:

As the volunteer chair for disaster services of the Lincoln County Office of the American Red Cross, it is my privilege to work with many dedicated volunteers.

Oct. 5-11 is National Fire Prevention Week, making it an appropriate time to publicly express my appreciation for those volunteers who assist with local disaster response.

Many people don't realize that when the local fire department responds to a home fire, the Red Cross also answers the call. Our volunteer heroes are on call 24 hours a day, seven days a week, often leaving behind friends, loved ones and warm beds in the middle of the night to meet with those affected by disaster.

When we arrive, we work to immediately meet the emergency needs of those affected — providing shelter at a hotel if needed and vouchers they can use to replace clothing, food, personal items and medications.

Last year, the Lincoln County Office of the American Red Cross assisted 30 individuals who were personally affected by a single-family fire disaster. This response would not have been possible without the compassion and dedication of our volunteers.

Keith Dawson
Ruidoso

STREET TALK

QUESTION: Why do you think gas prices are higher in Ruidoso than Alamogordo?



"Basically gas people are in competition with everyone else and they're trying to make a living. If we don't patronize them the reason is they're charging too much."

Don Carpenter
San Patricio



"Tourist attraction."

Crystal McClellan
Ruidoso



Supply and demand — the old money thing."

Marsha Keown
Ruidoso

SANDY SUGGITT/STAFF

Runnels pleads guilty in aggravated DWI case

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The former planning director for Ruidoso pleaded guilty Tuesday in Magistrate Court to a second offense, aggravated DWI charge.

Mike Runnels, 58, who headed the village planning department for more than a year, was elevated to deputy director weeks before he was arrested on April 24 for DWI.

Investigating officers from the Ruidoso Police Department said he was driving a village vehicle when it hit a tree. Runnels, who formerly served as lieutenant governor and

a district attorney, was placed on administrative leave and later left his planning director position.

According to magistrate court documents, Runnels was sentenced by Magistrate Court Judge William Butts to the mandatory minimum under state law, which requires seven days in jail, 357 days of supervised probation, 48 hours of community service, a \$500 fine and the use of an ignition interlock device that prevents a driver from starting a car if alcohol is detected on the person's breath.

A lane violation charge was dismissed by the state.

Group criticizes Wildlife Service's delay in creating spotted owl habitat

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Officials with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service are asking for an extension of a deadline to designate critical habitat for the Mexican spotted owl.

The director of the Center for Biological Diversity, based in Arizona, said the Service's delaying tactic is further evidence of a lack of commitment to designate any habitat.

In a news release dated Oct. 1, Service officials stated the agency will oppose a motion filed by the Center asking that Interior Secretary Gale Norton be held in contempt. They contend the motion is designed to stop several projects, including many fuel reduction tasks.

Officials with the federal agency say the motion, if approved by the court, could halt forest health planning, fuels reduction efforts to reduce the risk of catastrophic wildfires and evaluations of fire-fighting effects on endangered species through the next two fire seasons.

The Center's motion asks the Arizona District Court to either find the Secretary of the Interior in contempt of court or to halt the Service from consulting with federal agencies on any projects that would affect the Mexican spotted owl, which includes millions of acres of public lands in New Mexico, Arizona, Colorado and Utah.

Kieran Suckling, center executive director, disputes the Service's contention of project interference and said her group will file for an injunction Thursday.

"The Center has always supported legitimate thinning projects," she said. "In fact, it is carrying out its own thinning projects on three national forests in Arizona. We have clearly told

the (Interior Department) that the terms of the injunction requested will allow legitimate fire reduction and forest restoration projects to proceed."

Suckling called the Service's news release "wildly exaggerated" and said Norton should be declared in contempt immediately.

She contends the DOI's intent is to delay the designation indefinitely by continuing to push back the deadline date.

According to information from officials with the Service's Southwest Region, as the lead federal agency for protecting threatened and endangered species, the Service consults with other federal agencies to minimize, monitor and in some cases, permit harm to the owl. States, tribes, counties and municipalities receive federal permits that could be affected by the Center's motion.

"We are concerned during the ongoing drought in the Southwest that any delays in treating forest areas to reduce high fuel loads could put human life and property at risk of catastrophic wildfires," said Dale Halt, director for the Service's Southwest Region. "Wildfires also are the Mexican spotted owl to the Mexican greatest threat. The Center's motion also puts the owl at great risk."

The Service listed the Mexican spotted owl as threat-

ened in 1993. The Endangered Species Act calls for habitat critical to a species' survival to be identified to allow officials with other federal agencies and the Service to evaluate the effects of federal habitat modification in those areas.

On Feb. 1, 2001, Service officials completed a final designation of 4.6 million acres of critical habitat in the four states. Since then, the Federal Court ruled the Service was arbitrary and capricious in its determination that special management consideration adequately protected proposed critical habitat. The Court ordered a new critical habitat designation by Oct. 13, 2003. Service officials as requested the date be extended to January 2005 because of budget limitations and a backlog of designations awaiting completion.

Suckling noted that on July 21, 2000, the Clinton Administration proposed to designate 13.5 million acres as critical habitat for the owl in the four states. On Feb. 1, 2001, the Service slashed 8.9 million acres from that proposal.

On Jan. 13, 2003, Tucson Federal Judge David C. Bury called "the eviscerated official habitat 'nonsensical,' and ordered Norton to complete the designation by July 2003," Suckling said. The date was extended to April and most recently to Oct. 13.

Radio station secures more funds

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A collaboration between Texas-New Mexico Power and Community Radio KEDU-LP generated a Hometown Challenge matching grant of \$8,000.

The grant program sponsored by TNMP matched dollars raised by KEDU-LP boosters and will be used to buy broadcasting equipment.

Potential grant partners are nominated by company employees or customers. If the nominated project is approved for a matching grant, community groups are responsible for raising half of the funding, in this case \$4,000.

To learn more about Hometown Challenge programs and the types of projects funded, contact Jim Bassett of TNMP at (505) 257-5511. TNMP provides community-based electric



COURTESY KEDU

KEDU's Harvey "T" Twite accepts a grant check for the station from Jim Bassett of Texas-New Mexico Power.

service to 85 cities and more than 229,000 customers in Texas and New Mexico. The company is the principal wholly-owned subsidiary of TNP Enterprises Inc.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Art open house

McMahon's Fine Art will have an open house for the new show, "Earth and Sky," with stunning fall sunsets and foliage from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday. The show includes artists Howard Brown, Jim Boyer, Chuck Mardosz, Ann Templeton, and many more. The

show runs through Nov. 1.

U.S. 70 blasting info

The starting time for blasting on the U.S. 70 widening project east of Ruidoso Downs will change to noon during winter months.

According to information from community relations liai-

son Mary Ann Wootton, highway closures for rock blasting will be more frequent during October on weekdays. Sessions last up to one hour.

For the coming week, blasting is planned at noon today west of Glencoe between mile marker 173-175, and on Monday and Tuesday in the same area west of Glencoe.

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Everyone provides customer service. It's not a philosophy, it's a fact. It's easy to spot the retailers and tourism - and attraction - related personnel from our area. But no matter what you do, you provide customer service to someone.



Chamber Challenger
BY BRAD TREPTOW
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
RUIDOSO VALLEY
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

It doesn't matter if you are a school secretary, maintenance person, desk clerk, auditor, ditch digger, etc. There is someone we strive to please and satisfy all the time.

The importance of recognizing this is the positive impact it has on this area as it relates to repeat visitors which will translate to repeat customers. We all sell this area whether we want to or not. That means the clerk at the gas station, the waiter or waitress, the desk clerk, the retail clerk, host or hostess... All have a lasting impression on our visitors.

If they receive good service, everyone goes on about their business as it is expected. If they receive bad service, everyone hears about it. But if they receive fantastic service, they remember it and tell everyone they can about it. Wouldn't you rather be remembered by the fantastic service you or your staff provided as opposed to the opposite? That means everyone should be cognizant of how we represent ourselves every second of the day.

Smile. Be helpful, friendly and courteous. Go out of your way to please someone and ask them if there is anything else you can do. Keep a spotless and clutter-free work area. Do everything that is expected, plus something else.

Now is the time to fine tune these skills as the area's seasonality will escalate again within the next month or so. Rise to this challenge and let's make sure everyone provides the best possible customer service - together!

Next week's column: "Technology - it won't bite you."

Brad Treptow can be reached by e-mail at brad@ruidoso.net.

Economy and the Markets

For better employment

BY MICHAEL SWANSON
WELLS FARGO & COMPANY

Realistically, September's payroll report was not significantly different from August's report, but September's number sparked a strong rally in equities and a jump in Treasury yields. The BLS states that payroll changes of less than 100,000 are well within the sampling error range, not to mention seasonal adjustment errors. These facts don't diminish the importance of the first positive growth in eight months, but they do make it important to keep it in perspective.

Wells Fargo Economics expects payroll growth to continue at a modest pace going forward through 2004. The reasons why payroll growth will continue to build have been very clear now for the last two quarters, and the conditions for improved payroll growth are still strengthening. The hurdles for growing employment are getting higher, which has major implications for the rate and strength of the recovery.

Financial and monetary conditions remain red hot for growth, with both short-term and long-term interest rates at or near record low rates. Additionally, the dollar will continue to weaken slightly on a trade deficit that is approximately 6 percent of GDP, boosting future exports and cutting imports. Finally, the wealth effect is growing from both the equity and housing market at the same time.

The cheap cost of borrowing and growing wealth are combining with tax reductions both in the form of the rebate and tax reductions in personal income and capital gains rates. This combination has consumers saying one thing and doing another. Consumers are not confident right now because of the lack of new jobs, but actions speak louder than words, and personal consumption keeps expanding at a faster pace than during the early 1990s recovery. Most importantly, the environment for business investment continues to improve, which will strengthen the recovery in two ways. First, investment will increase durable goods orders, reinforcing the demand signal

coming from the consumer and government sectors. Secondly, it will start to expand payrolls as businesses need to hire additional labor to support their new capital investments.

Both factors controlling the rate of investment, cost of capital and returns on capital, currently support an increasing rate of investment. The cost of borrowing remains historically low, and the returns to equity continue to improve in most sectors. In past recoveries, job recovery was faster because employers called workers back to the very same jobs they had before the recession. Now, it appears that the lost jobs are gone permanently, removing this rapid recovery mechanism.

Recent analysis from the Federal Reserve indicates that job growth will need to come from entirely new sectors and firms. Another factor that has held back employment expansion is that businesses increasingly emphasize capital over labor due to the relative costs, and rapidly rising health and pension costs will continue to increase the relative cost of labor.

The hurdle for hiring workers continues to get higher. In 1989 for every \$58,000 of investment, the U.S. economy utilized one worker. By 2001, private industry was using \$84,000 for every worker on the payrolls.

This massive injection of capital helped raise labor productivity and supported relative wages, but it cripples employment growth when companies are afraid to invest. Fortunately, both Federal Reserve, and tax policy are helping to lower the cost of investment. Rising returns will start coaxing firms to make investments to compete and to grow which will eventually boost employment.

The implications of rising investment support our outlook that employment growth that started in the third quarter will continue in 2004.

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Denny Grover heads Ski Apache

■ The former long-time mountain manager under now-retired Roy Parker is taking over management of the area and preparing for a Thanksgiving opening day.

BY KEITH GREEN
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Relax, skiers; Ski Apache remains in good hands despite the departure by retirement of Roy Parker after 39 years of managing the resort. He developed a top-notch team that will be staying.

The new manager of the resort is Denny Grover, until this year Parker's mountain manager. His experience on the mountain is almost as long as Parker's - 36 years. Parker was named to the top job last week by Mescalero Apache tribal president Sara Misquez. He will be reporting directly to Michael French, who is chief operating officer of the Inn of the Mountain Gods (now being built anew) and the tribe's casinos.

"I sat down with her and vice president Ferris Palmer last week and was offered the temporary management job. After all, at 60 I don't plan to be here forever - a year, two years, three...we'll see how things go." But Grover thinks things will go very well, because of the key people around him - people like Riker Davis, marketing director; Jovian Smith, personnel director; L. B. Davis, office manager; and Scott Goeller, ski school director.

They right now are working with upwards of 60 people, wrapping up the summer work projects and getting ready to test the snowmaking system. They will start making snow on Nov. 1, and earlier if it's cold enough.

It should be, since the lifts start at 9,700 feet and top out at 11,500 feet above sea level. For skiers, that means a vertical drop of 1,800 feet to test their skills, over miles of trails.

The target for opening is Thanksgiving Day. Once the season gets in stride, some 300 employees will be working on the mountain. "That probably makes us the biggest employer around," Grover said. "It does have a tremendous economic impact on Ruidoso and the entire area."

Grover wasn't even a skier until he arrived in Ruidoso; he'd been one of those coastal types more attuned to surf boards than skis. His first job on the mountain, in fact, was fibreglassing the toboggans used to bring down injured skiers. "It wasn't all that different than surf boards, so I had no problems."

That was in the winter of 1965-66. He



DAVE PRICE/STAFF

Denny Grover, second from left, is flanked by members of his management team at Ski Apache. Grover takes over management duties for the ski area this year following the retirement of his long-time boss, Roy Parker. The managers gathered for a photograph Wednesday. Pictured are, from left, marketing director Riker Davis, Grover, personnel director Jovian Smith, office manager L. B. Davis, and ski school director Scott Goeller. Grover says the ski area saw its first frost in mid-September and is preparing for the approaching ski season.

didn't anticipate a career on the mountain, but before long he was keeping the slopes groomed, the lifts running, the snow-making machines doing their thing. He was, under Parker, the mountain manager - everything outdoors was his responsibility.

"One thing about a small resort like this, everybody pitches in to do whatever is needed. Riker (Davis), for instance, started running the ski shop and that just naturally seemed to expand into public relations and marketing."

Grover and his wife, Carla, have a son, Toby, who graduated from Ruidoso High School and the University of New Mexico and now is employed in Seattle, Wash. Toby was a ski racer, but got an academic scholarship to UNM, something Grover admits he appreciated; no more

downhill racing.

He does acknowledge that skiing, one of those "speed sports" like horse racing, sometimes leads to broken bones and worse. "But that's part of the thrill of skiing; it's a challenge that people understand when they take to the slopes." Deaths at Ski Apache, he said, are no greater than the average for all ski areas.

Grover's primary message to the people in Ruidoso and the area, he said, is the fact that they will see "a highly qualified core of employees that Roy (Parker) developed and left behind to continue the Ski Apache operation."

He added that, "No one knows better than I the void Roy's retirement means. We will continue the high standard that he set. We will continue to provide the best skiing possible each day."

CHAMPIONS OF SERVICE



COURTESY RUIDOSO VALLEY C OF C

High Altitude owner Matt Willett, left, and Service Technician Craig Brock, right, are presented with the October Champions of Service Award by Brad Treptow, center. The award is presented monthly for those individuals who go above and beyond the norm of providing customer service.

High Altitude tops in October

The Ruidoso Valley Greeters, in conjunction with the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce and the Ruidoso News, awarded the October Champion of Service certificate on Wednesday, Oct. 2.

High Altitude owner Matt Willett and Craig Brock, service manager, received certificates for their commitment to customer service and satisfaction in their bike shop.

The Champions of Service award is presented monthly by the Greeters, in conjunction with the Chamber and the Ruidoso News.

To nominate someone for the award, or for more information, contact the Chamber of Commerce at 257-7395 or Gail Olson with the Ruidoso Valley Greeters at 336-7717.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Alcoholic beverage training scheduled

Two sessions remain, on Oct. 24 and Nov. 21, for a mandatory one-day training session for those selling or serving alcoholic beverages.

Part of the community education program at Eastern New Mexico University-Ruidoso, the training session covers facts about alcohol, its effect on the body, and laws about responsible beverage service.

Students must be 19 years old, have a valid photo ID, and pass a test with a score of 80 percent or better in order to receive state certification. They must bring a valid state or federal photo identification to class, and must pre-register at the ENMU-Ruidoso center at least one day prior to class. There is a \$30 fee.

Gibson joins new firm

Eddie W. Gibson, Realtor, as joined Ruidoso Real Estate Connection as a broker associate. Gibson has been a full-time Realtor in the area for the past six years.

He presently is president of the Ruidoso Board of Realtors.

His new firm is at 159 Mescalero Trail, Suite 5 in the Sierra Professional Building, telephone 257-8700.

Planners wait for detail on public health building

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

After weeks of waiting, still unanswered questions about Lincoln County's new public health building prompted Ruidoso planners to table the proposal for another 14 days.

Members of the village Planning and Zoning Commission told agent James Kamps they want to see an exact landscaping plan and want the parking lot reworked to provide handicapped spaces closer to the building.

When Kamps told commissioners that the parking lot plan hadn't changed since the last time a project representative appeared, Commission chairman Glen Barrow said, "I thought this was one reason it was tabled, so you could rework the parking lot."

Kamps explained that the project price came in higher than county officials anticipated and that the extra parking lot work probably would increase the cost. The slope close to the building is too steep to be compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act, he said. The parking lot would have to be regraded.

"We propose using two existing spaces or adding two more in the southeast corner to run parallel to the contours," he said. "It's a liability issue."

But Barrow wouldn't budge. "This is a health clinic," he said. "I think ADA access would be a concern. (The designated handicap parking spaces) are a fair distance away."

He speculated that state building inspectors probably would reject the handicap parking space layout as proposed anyway.

Kamps said work could be confined just to the north corner of the parking lot by raising the grade there.

On a second issue, no landscape plan was submitted because he consulted with the village forestry department director about what trees would be removed, Kamps said. He was told that the basal ratio of vegetation to land space was acceptable, he said.

But Barrow and board member Phillis Barnett said commissioners want to see exactly what trees will be removed or added, and any landscaping.

Barrow added that Kamps' plans don't show any vegetation screening from surrounding property, which was suggested previously by the commission.

Drainage calculations submitted by Kamps at the planning staff's request were adequate, said village planner Darrell Bremner. A water line for an additional hydrant has

been added to plans, Kamps said. However, budget constraints eliminated a stone trim and wall, he said.

In other action, the commission:
• Tabled a request by Wayne Usrey for an amended commercial site development plan for Lots 15 and 16, Block 1 in Forest Heights Subdivision for Studio W Gallery parking and a garage. By the next commission meeting, Usrey is to submit a formal plan to show proposed changes and may also ask for a variance to eliminate four parking spaces.

• Approved a variance request by Alton Deakins to allow an 84-square-foot addition to be built at the front of a home on Lot 11, Block 23 of Ponderosa Heights, Unit III, to be built within 16 feet, 1 inch of the front lot line. The standard is 20 feet.

• Tabled a request from Eugene and Sheila Ravizza for a variance to allow a garage to be built within 10 feet, 9 inches of the front lot line of Lot 127B-2 of Innsbrook Village Subdivision. The extra time will allow the subdivision's architectural review committee to consider the alternative of a 15 foot setback for the garage with a second-floor overhang.

• Approved with conditions a variance for Tony Tilford to allow a 360-square-foot carport to be built within 10 feet of the front lot line of Lot 83, Block B of Sleepy Hollow Subdivision. An additional planned structure will be built under the same roof as the main house.

• Approved a variance requested by Grande Drilling Inc. on the Maude West Tract No. 2 (at the intersection of Porr Drive and Mechem Drive) to allow less than the required lot width. Planning director Charles Rennie suggested a delay of action until the proposed use of the lot is known, but commission members said when the owner wants to use the lot, he will have to submit a site plan. The board previously approved the split that created the lot and separated it from a car wash business.

• Approved a variance requested by Jim Byman to allow construction of a 492-square-foot addition within 18 feet, 10 inches of a rear lot line on Lot 18 and Tract F, Block 4 of Country Club Heights Subdivision. Access is from Hull Road.



CAN YOU DIG IT?

DAVE PRICE/STAFF

Drivers following Ski Run Road off Hwy 48 towards Sierra Blanca have been witness to the construction of a long ditch along the route, running from the turnout at the highway to a housing development up the road. The ditch carries a new natural gas line for Zia Natural Gas. Above, Alan Payne of Ruidoso shows workers on the new line. Payne is part of the Graham Excavating crew and was working Wednesday, Oct. 8 on the project along with Jim Graham, also of Ruidoso.

County wants feds to leave water rights alone

Letters are being sent out to New Mexico's representatives.

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Letters declaring Lincoln County Commission support for a bill aimed at removing the power of the U.S. Interior Department to claim water rights in New Mexico and

other states are on their way to the county's congressional delegates.

The letter, signed by the four county commissioners who attended a special commission meeting late last month, states that members reviewed the provisions of House Resolution 2603, sponsored by U.S. Rep. Steve Pearce, R-N.M.

"We believe that this reaffirmation of the rights of states to allocate and adjudicate water rights is absolutely essential to the survival of the customs, culture, economic development and welfare of the state of New Mexico," commissioners wrote.

They asked the delegates to support the bill. Chaves County representatives had asked for Lincoln County's support.

In other action, commissioners approved a resolution establishing the county water research committee as a separate entity that reports to the county commission.

Stewart will furnish copies of the committee meeting minutes to the county Public Lands and Agricultural Affairs Committee.

La Casa to run Hondo's clinic until end of 2003

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A rural health clinic in Hondo will continue to be operated by La Casa de Buena Salud until Jan. 1, when Presbyterian Healthcare Services will be ready to take over.

Lincoln County manager Tom Stewart said he received a letter from La Casa officials.

They agreed to continue the clinic operation on the same payment schedule at the request of the county, although the contract expired last month.

Stewart briefed county commissioners Monday on the arrangement, which he proposed after the board awarded a contract last month for operation of three clinics in Carrizozo, Corona and Hondo to PHS.

That firm also manages the county-owned hospital in Ruidoso.

Residents of Hondo have expressed disappointment about the decision because of the excellent care they said they have received from the clinic's resident nurse practitioner, who is employed by La Casa.

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Drug, driving charges

Ruidoso police arrested Christopher T. Garcia, 19, of Mescalero, Oct. 6 at Mechem and Sudderth drives, charging him with possession of one ounce or less of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, driving 43 mph in a 30-mph zone, driving with a revoked or suspended license, no seat belt and expired vehicle registration.

Public intoxication

Police arrested Freddie Apache, 40, of Mescalero, Oct. 8 at McDonald's restaurant, 144 Sudderth Drive. He was charged with disorderly conduct/public intoxication after officers found him slumped over a table in the restaurant, unable to respond to verbal commands. During booking an outstanding warrant was found and he was served with that.

Drugs found

Police arrested Sean Patton, 22, of Ruidoso Downs, on a warrant, and during a search Patton said he had marijuana in his front pocket, which was field-tested positive. He was charged with possession of one ounce or less of marijuana.

Restraint violation

Police arrested Kenneth Carnes, 55, of Ruidoso, Oct. 7, charging him with violation of an order of protection.

Driving offenses

Brandon S. York, 24, of Ruidoso Downs, was charged Oct. 8 with driving on suspended or revoked license and driving 29 mph in a 15-mph school zone.

Armed mannequin?

An arm of the mannequin

reported stolen Sept. 26 from a business at 1102 Sudderth Drive was found by two 16-year-old males from Ruidoso who told police they took the mannequin as a joke and would make restitution with the owner. No criminal charges were made. The boys returned to the place they'd tossed the mannequin and only the arm remained.

Bicycle found

A red Murray 10-speed mountain bicycle was found Oct. 6 near Georgia's On My Mind, 147 Highway 70 and turned over to police as found property.

Window broken

Someone broke a window of a residence in the 100 block of Old Lincoln Road between noon and 4:30 p.m. Oct. 6. The window was valued at \$200, and the area was put on the frequent-patrol list.

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Claude Coleman

Memorial services for Claude Coleman Walker, 95, of Roswell, will be at 10 a.m. Oct. 18 at South Manor Baptist Church in Roswell, with Elder Walt Jones and the Rev. Butch Neal officiating.
Mr. Walker died Tuesday, Sept. 30, 2003, at Mission Arch Care Center.
He was born in Melrose to Walter Walker and Elizabeth Turner Walker on May 29, 1908.

He and Geneva Louise McCarley were married on Oct. 10, 1940, in Clovis. They moved to Roswell from Capitan in 1981. He was a member of South Manor Baptist Church and a rancher who loved to rodeo.
Survivors include his wife, Geneva, of the family home; children Claudette Gifford and her husband, Art, of Camp Verde, Ariz., Bobby Banbury and her husband, Bill, of Afton, Wyo., Betty Jones and her husband, Walt, of Capitan, Jack Walker of Texas, and Patsy Barrera and

her husband, Louie, of Roswell; nine grandchildren; numerous great-grandchildren; and sisters Bonnie Daly and her husband, Roy, Dolley Dooley and her husband, Spike, and Doris Hartley, all of Roswell.
He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Jim Walker; and sisters Bernice Buchman, Frances Cooper and Bess Simpson.
Cremation was under the direction of Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home and Crematory.

MEETING WATCH

Ruidoso Schools

Meeting: Ruidoso Board of Education, 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 14, in the Administration Office
The public is welcome.
Discussion:
• Parent teacher conferences
• Young Americans - Patty

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• Enrollment updates - Caron Snow
Action items:
• Student Free Day - White Mountain Intermediate
• RMS visitation, 10 a.m. Oct. 23
• New Mexico School Board Association VII meeting, Las Cruces

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Next regular meeting: 7 p.m., Nov. 11.
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CHIROPRACTIC OUTLOOK
by Dr. Jack V. Waters
Chiropractic Physician

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If poor mechanics or traumatic injuries are not corrected at an early age, the knee joint tissues will eventually begin to erode. As a result, the bones rub upon one another and cause bone spurs. This painful condition is known as degenerative joint disease or osteoarthritis and is often progressive with age. It is critical to get treated by a chiropractor when injuries occur, so they do not progress over time.

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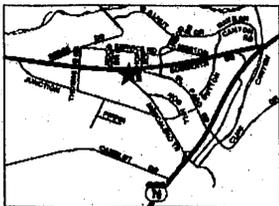
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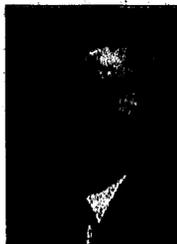
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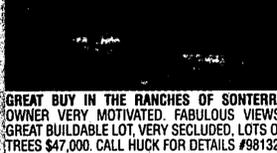
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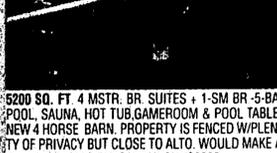
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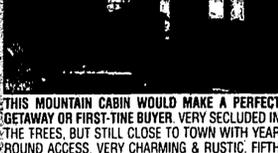
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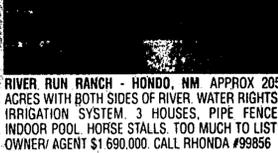
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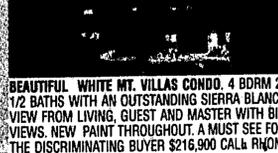
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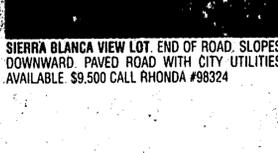
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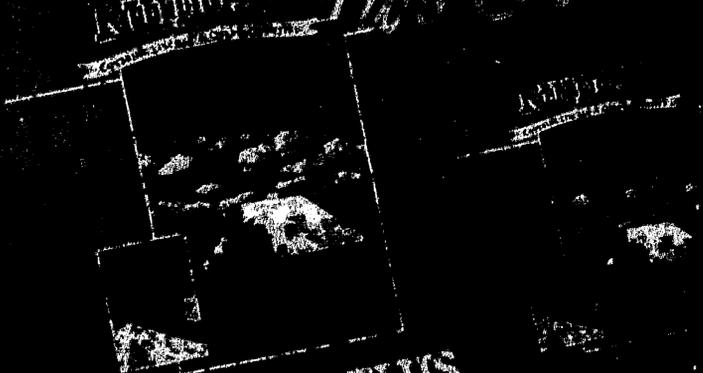
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REMATCH

Saturday's game between Ruidoso and St. Michael's has all the trappings of a playoff

BY TODD FUQUA
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

In terms of playoff implications, Saturday's game between Ruidoso and St. Michael's means absolutely nothing. Being a non-district matchup, the contest won't help or detract either team's chances at post-season play.

Try telling that to the Horsemen. "It's motivation to lose a game like that last year and then see that team go on to the state championship," said St. Mike's coach Joey Fernandez. "That was one of the best games I've ever been a part of. The loss was a hard one to take."

When the Warriors (4-1) step onto Brother Abdon Field for a 1:30 p.m. kickoff in Santa Fe, it will be the first time the two teams have faced one another since a 62-56, quadruple-overtime win by Ruidoso in the quarterfinals of the Class 3A state playoffs.

There's little doubt the Horsemen want to redeem themselves after that loss. According to Ruidoso coaches who scouted St. Mike's game against New Mexico Military Institute last weekend, a rematch with the Warriors was all the fans could talk about.

Ruidoso head coach Ridge Bowden recognizes how big some people will view this game, but is still mindful of what is truly important.

"This is a good game to get ready for district," Bowden said. "It will be a good game because the expectations are higher — there's nothing else at stake."

"They're looking at the opportunity to redeem themselves from last year, and we need to look at getting better for those three district games."

Even without the specter of last year's epic struggle, this game would still be big. St. Michael's is currently 5-0 after thrashing District 4-3A opponent

NMMI 38-14, and is the top-ranked team in the state in Class 3A.

Ruidoso has had a good, solid season to this point, but most around the state haven't given the Warriors much recognition. They still haven't received enough votes to make the top five in the *Albuquerque Journal* coaches' poll.

Still, it's revenge for last year, a battle between north and south, an undefeated record on the line, a possible preview of this year's playoffs. Any way you look at it, this is a big game.

Big enough that fans coming to see it will likely have to bring their own seats. Brother Abdon Field has stands on only one side of the field, and the number of fans likely to show up on Saturday will probably more than fill those seats.

"Our kids understand that if they lose it, it's not the end of the world," Fernandez said. "But we've already had two big games in a row, and then play West Las Vegas next week to open our district. In the long run it will ready us for the playoffs."

St. Michael's has won their five games with an offensive approach that is very similar to the Warriors'. They've got four players with 100 yards or more rushing, and have five with 100 or more yards receiving.

They haven't just beat their oppo-



FILE PHOTO

Remember when? Ruidoso players celebrate at the end of their four-overtime victory over St. Michael's in the Class 3A state quarterfinal last season in Santa Fe. That game looms large in this weekend's rematch between the two schools.

▶ GAME DAY

It's a rematch of last year's Class 3A state quarterfinal as Ruidoso heads to Santa Fe to take on the top-ranked and undefeated St. Michael's Horsemen.

- **Who:** Ruidoso (4-1) vs. St. Michael's (6-0) at Brother Abdon field in Santa Fe
- **When:** Saturday, 1:30 p.m.
- **Last week:** Ruidoso had an

open week. St. Michael's beat NMMI 38-14.

- **Last meeting:** Ruidoso beat St. Michael's 62-56 in four overtimes in the Class 3A state quarterfinals.
- **Directions to stadium:** From I-25, take St. Francis Drive exit, drive north to Siringo Road, turn right to St. Michael's High School.

nents, they've obliterated them. They're averaging 40.7 points a game while allowing their opponents just 6.2.

Aside from their win over NMMI last week, their biggest victory was a 50-7 smashing of cross-town rival Santa Fe High School — a Class 5A school.

"They have some athletes that can make some plays, and have some pretty big kids," Bowden said. "We need to go in as fresh as possible and have to eliminate our mistakes. This is a very opportunistic team and can score on turnovers."

The Horsemen have a big playmaker in tailback Julio Gomez, who ran for 77 yards and caught three passes for another 90 yards last week. He's earned

417 yards and averages 7.9 yards a carry thus far this year.

He's also been a terror in the secondary, catching 11 passes for 331 yards this season.

Ryan Patterson has also been a threat, leading the Horsemen with 335 yards receiving and adding 284 yards on the ground.

But the engine that truly drives St. Michael's is quarterback Thomas Romero. He leads the state with 607 yards rushing and is third with 1,142 yards in the air.

"We've got to stop him," Bowden said of Romero. "He's the catalyst of their offense — he makes things happen and is a great athlete."

Ruidoso has plenty of good athletes of their own in the skill positions, including Casey Mirau and his 414 yards rushing, and receiver Chance Hooper and his 390 yards on 26 receptions.

The two are among the leaders in each category in the state, despite having played one game less than most players.

Ruidoso also has a pair of equally talented quarterbacks in Troy Saenz and Marcus Williams. All of this adds up to an offense that worries Fernandez.

"Ruidoso executes their offense real

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Lincoln Co. showdown in 'Zozo

BY MARTY RACINE
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Before Carrizozo went to six-man football several years ago, the Grizzlies had one of the oldest 11-man programs in the state.

Tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the county seat, the new-look Grizzlies (3-2) and the Capitan Tigers (2-3) renew acquaintances in a highly anticipated homecoming that should indicate where each team stands heading into the season's stretch run.

Call it a backyard brawl or a neighborhood feud. This should be fun.

In returning to 11-man ball this year, 'Zozo head coach Mel Holland has struggled to piece together a young squad from scratch.

"Participation level is not as high as we'd like," he said prior to the season.

Holland, who coached here 15 years ago, has had community support. "Carrizozo's got a great football tradition," he said. "Most (six-man) towns don't want to go back to 11-man, but this community seems to think they do. Everybody's real positive to it."

The Grizzlies opened with an exciting 42-36 win over Mescalero and have beaten two



PHOTO BY MARTY RACINE

Capitan receiver Sheldon Moor, left, makes a catch in his teams' 35-21 victory over the Alamogordo sophomores Saturday, Oct. 4 in Capitan.

JVs, Tularosa (19-14) and NMMI (42-22). Carrizozo's losses have been lopsided — 53-8 to Hagerman and 42-6 to Cloudcroft.

Capitan coach Ed Davis is not surprised at the Grizzlies' competitiveness. "They, Mel Holland

is one of the best coaches in the state of New Mexico."

Davis' own squad is showing weekly improvement. After Loving humbled them 40-0, the

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Slow start in first half dooms RHS booters

BY TODD FUQUA
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

The Ruidoso Warrior soccer team has had a bad habit of starting slowly in games this season, and Wednesday was no exception.

Actually, it may be an exception in terms of just how slow they were in the first half of their 5-0 loss to District 4-1A/3A foe New Mexico Military Institute (13-2, 5-0).

"This was probably the worst start they've had," said Ruidoso coach Wally Murillo. "NMMI came out and scored four goals in the first half, and there was a little bit of frustration in the team. After the half, we came out strong in the second and allowed just one, but it was too far for us to come back."

Ruidoso had several scoring chances — their best on a penalty kick by Homero Romero which bounced off the side bar.

Even if Romero's kick had been true, it would have been too little to counter the slow start by the Warriors (3-8-3, 1-2 in district).

"Me and (assistant) coach Ingels have been working on getting them going early," Murillo said. "It's just up to them to come together. They're doing a lot better than they were last year, but it still takes until halftime for them to come together."

With just three games left in the season, Ruidoso still has a chance of making it to a regional game — they just have to win twice at home against Socorro and Hatch and once at Socorro.

Ruidoso has already beaten Hatch on the road, but it came in two overtimes. The Bears almost pulled off a huge upset on that same field when they lost to NMMI by one goal in overtime.

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side line

Prep Results

- Monday, Oct. 6**
Volleyball
Hondo d. NMMI JV, 3-1
- Tuesday, Oct. 7**
Volleyball
Corona d. New Mexico School for the Deaf, 3-0
Cloudcroft d. Capitan, 3-0
Hondo d. Lake Arthur, 3-1
Mescalero d. Valley Christian, 3-1
Carrizozo d. Gateway Christian, 3-0

- Wednesday, Oct. 8**
Boys Soccer
NMMI 5, Ruidoso 0

Preps on Tap

- Friday, Oct. 10**
Football
Mescalero at Tularosa, 7:30 p.m.
Capitan at Carrizozo, 7:30 p.m.
Volleyball
Lake Arthur at Mescalero, 6 p.m.
- Saturday, Oct. 11**
Football
Ruidoso at St. Michael's, 1:30 p.m.
Volleyball
Lovington at Ruidoso, 3:30 p.m.
Lordsburg at Capitan, 4 p.m.
Mescalero at Alamo Navajo, 4 p.m.
Bosque Prep at Corona, 5 p.m.
Cross Country
Mescalero at NMMI Invite, 9 a.m.
Ruidoso at Oñate Invite, 10 a.m.
- Tuesday, Oct. 16**
Volleyball
Corona at Carrizozo, 6 p.m.
Tularosa at Capitan, 6 p.m.
Tatum at Hondo, 6 p.m.
Boys Soccer
Ruidoso at Socorro, 4 p.m.
Girls Soccer
Socorro at Ruidoso, 6 p.m.

On Deck

Soccer League needs officials
The Lincoln County Soccer League is in need of referees, no experience necessary. Volunteers will be educated and certified at a free clinic, and there is a small donation for each gamed refereed. For more information, call 257-6815.

Golf scramble at Cree
First Christian Church will sponsor a golf scramble at Cree Meadows Country Club Oct. 12. The shotgun start is set for 1:30 p.m. Registration is \$20 per player, plus green and cart fees. The price includes a fellowship and dinner at 5:30 p.m. that evening at the First Christian Church at 1211 Hull Road. Registration forms are available at First Christian Church and in the Cree Meadows pro shop. Call 258-4250 for more information.

Volleyball, basketball to begin
All who are interested to take part in adult basketball or co-ed volleyball are invited to the Ruidoso Middle School for open gym time. Co-ed volleyball gym time is held every Wednesday from 6:30-9 p.m. League games are to begin Oct. 13. Cost per team is \$175. Open gym for basketball is every Tuesday and Thursday, also from 6:30-9 p.m. League games will begin Oct. 14. Cost per team is \$200. All gym time is open to athletes 18 years and older. For more information, contact the Ruidoso Parks and Recreation Department at 257-5030.

Youth football tournament
The second annual Rio Grande Youth Football Tournament is coming up, with an entry deadline of Nov. 7. The tournament — to be played at Gadsden High School in Anthony — is for 9U, 11U and 13U teams, and the fee is \$200 per team. For more information, call (505)-882-4044, e-mail at rgyft@yahoo.com or check out the web site at www.etamz.com/rgyft.



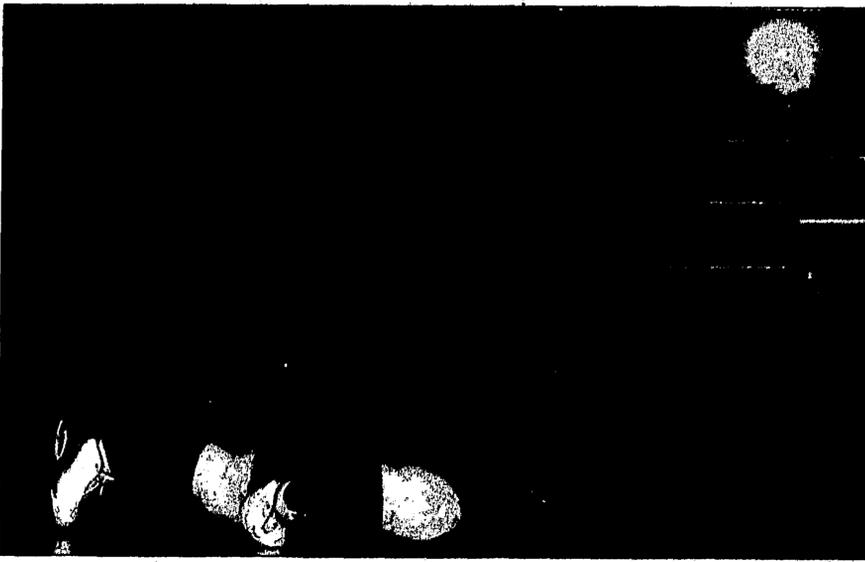


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Hondo freshman Justine Candelaria dives and makes the dig during the Lady Eagle's District 8-1A win Oct. 2 over Mescalero. Hondo was 3-1 in the district heading into their match Tuesday against Gateway Christian.

Regional berth in Hondo's sights

BY TODD FUQUA
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

With the last half of the District 8-1A season coming up, the Hondo Lady Eagle volleyball team finds itself in an enviable position.

Following its four-game victories over the New Mexico Military Institute junior varsity in non-district action on Monday and another four-game win against Lake Arthur on Tuesday, Hondo was 9-4 on the season.

More importantly, they were 3-1 heading into another district tilt Thursday against Gateway Christian.

Their only district loss has been a three-game setback to Tatum, which is currently undefeated in district and has but one loss on the season.

Despite the prospect of Hondo's first volleyball playoff berth in anybody's memory, Lady Eagle coach Julie Montoya is still hard at work improving her team.

"I think we're climbing, but we're not where I want us to be," Montoya said. "We're still moving

forward, we just have to not let up at all when we have the edge on a team."

Letting up is just what Hondo did against NMMI and Lake Arthur, taking winning the first two games easily, then letting their opponents surprise them in the third.

Hondo then woke up and won handily in the fourth game each time.

"We did all right, but I think both times we should have won in three games," Montoya said. "We just let up in that third game on both occasions. That rally will bite you because the games go so quick."

Hondo has a rematch with Tatum Oct. 14 at home at 6 p.m., followed by a pair of matches against Mescalero and Lake Arthur the following week to finish out the regular season.

Montoya is hoping it doesn't end there.

"They're all hungry. Our goal is to get to regionals," Montoya said. "We just have to take care of these last games. Mentally, we're ready to play and win."

'Zozo netters sweep Gateway

BY TODD FUQUA
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

The Carrizozo Lady Grizzly volleyball team took a break from the District 7-1A race Tuesday with a match on the road against Gateway Christian, coming away with a three-game, 25-16, 25-17, 25-12 victory.

"We played with a huge amount of confidence and poise, more than I had observed at any other point in the season," said Carrizozo coach Pam Allen. "We were in control from the beginning, had a good night from the service line and the kids passed the ball really well."

Neither team is blessed with much height, but Gateway coach Eric Coll said the Lady Grizzlies (10-4) make up for their size with their ability to get up in the air and smack the ball.

"They've got some leapers and can get up," Coll said. "She (Allen) has got a good team. This was a good break from district play, and it's good to play a match against a strong program like that."

Allen was also happy to be playing a non-district matchup. Heck, she was happy to be playing any matchup at all.

"We would have had only one match this week," Allen said. "We needed the playing time."

The Lady Grizzlies returned to district action Thursday against Temple Baptist and face Corona next Tuesday at home at 6 p.m. Carrizozo is undefeated in three matches atop the district standings and look to stay that way, particularly if they continue improving the way Allen wants.

"I think the girls on the team are doing a phenomenal job," Allen said. "I told them how proud I am of them because of the distance they've traveled in such a short time."

"They've behaved as veterans. They do revert to old habits every once in a while, but the girls know when they do and can self-correct," Allen said. "For them to be at that point now is a huge step."

Lady Cardinals get needed win

BY TODD FUQUA
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Corona's volleyball team hasn't been able to put together any kind of a win-streak this season, but at least it is getting some wins.

The latest win came Tuesday when the Lady Cardinals traveled to Santa Fe to take on the New Mexico School for the Deaf, winning in three games, 25-14, 25-13, 25-17.

"We played real well," said Corona coach Brahim Hindi. "We passed well for the most part and got our serves in."

"We didn't have to block a lot because they (NMSD) didn't hit that much," he added. "That helped us, but we had to move around a lot more. We got a lot of practice on being on the net and then hav-

ing to move back on a free ball."

The Lady Cardinals are now 4-7 overall and have played .500 ball in the last four games. Their biggest concern, however, is their district record. Corona has yet to win in three District 7-1A matches thus far this year.

They faced Mountainair on Thursday in a return to district play, and Hindi pointed out what his team needs to do to win.

"I've seen Mountainair play, and they dink a lot over the block," Hindi said. "I'll have to remind the girls to get behind the block and pick up those short dinks."

Hindi said he has seen a great amount of improvement in the Lady Cardinals as the season has gone on, and thinks his team has it in them to surprise one or two teams in district.

Still, they'll be short an important player in Rachel Lueras come district tour-

namment time. Lueras serves as the state president for Future Farmers of America and will be attending the national conference that particular week.

The good news is Melissa Gallegos — a transfer from Estancia — just became eligible to play and will fill in where needed.

Corona stays at home this Saturday when they host Bosque Prep in a district match set to begin at 5 p.m.

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Lady Tigers sputter to third straight district loss

BY MARTY RACINE
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Capitan's volleyball losing streak reached three Tuesday when the Lady Tigers lost 3-0 at Cloudcroft (25-19, 25-19, 25-22).

All three losses over a six-day stretch have come in district action. Though there is a lot of volleyball yet to be played, including the District 5-2A tournament, each defeat of the defending state champions (6-8 overall) makes their post-season prospects more challenging.

Despite the shutout, Lady Tiger coach Sherry Gowen was encouraged by her team's showing, considering it hasn't had much practice time.

"We did a lot of things better," she said. "With one day of practice after Hatch there wasn't much we could (work on) but they did pretty good trying to do what we worked on Monday."

Besides, Cloudcroft (11-3, 3-0 in district) is emerging as the team to beat.

"Cloudcroft is pretty salty," Gowen said. "They may not be a dominant or awesome team, but they've been winning. They're on a roll. They're just ticking along, and when you

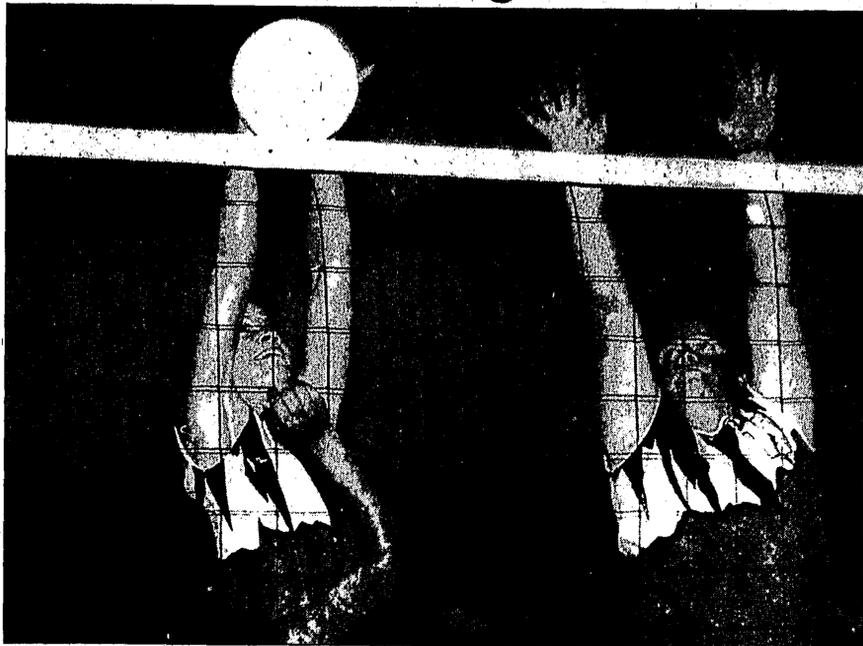


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Capitan's Candle Turner, left, and Jessica Becker go up for a block during the Lady Tigers' loss to Hatch Saturday. Capitan continued their struggles in District 5-2A Tuesday with a 3-0 sweep by Cloudcroft.

have that confidence going for you, you can make stupid mistakes and still overcome it.

"There wasn't any one thing that killed us. We shanked a few balls. We had some stupid mistakes. But if we can keep improving and seeing our mistakes, instead of going, 'I don't

know what's wrong,' then we can keep learning.

"We know what we need to work on."

Gowen on Wednesday was looking forward to three days of practice before her squad hosts Lordsburg at 4 p.m. Saturday.

"Three days of practice is going to help us a lot. I've seen things on game film that we need to get done, things I've gotten away from doing in practice. So it's my fault. We need to start putting them back into the practice plan and working on them every day."

REMATCH: Big-time Class 3A struggle in Santa Fe

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well and have a lot of kids back that have experience from the state championship," Fernandez said. "It's hard to tell how this game will go. We're still not sure where we are with Ruidoso. We've shown we can

play with them but haven't beat them."

The game could also come down to who plays best in the trenches. Ruidoso has 10 linemen they can rotate in and out at will throughout, and Bowden has made the decision not to play any starters on either defense or offense both ways.

Fernandez said he has six players which go both ways on the line, four of whom returned from last year's squad.

"That experience helps us a lot, we didn't have to start from scratch," Fernandez said. "But I do try to switch them out a lot. We learned from last year that we'd better be in shape."

Bowden is also aware of how prepared his team should be for what will likely be a good old-fashioned brawl of a game.

"It won't make or break a season over one game like this, and the kids have that perspective," Bowden said. "Still, we're going into a hostile environment and it will be tooth and nail. There's a lot of pride on the line."

Mescalero back in win column

ROSWELL — The Mescalero volleyball team (3-10) got back on the winning track Tuesday with a 25-7, 25-17, 27-25, 25-23 non-district win over Valley Christian.

The Chiefs made it look easy in game one, holding the Lions to only seven points.

"They did pretty good that first one," said Mescalero coach Ardena Orosco. "I'm really proud of them. I think (Valley Christian) kind of got warmed up the next two."

Game three went down to the wire, with the Lions getting the extra-point win.

"The third one, they really played good, but (Valley) came out on top with some serves that we did miss," Orosco said.

But the Chiefs come back from the loss to win in four, and, coming back, Orosco said, is something her team's been working on.

"We've been discussing how to not get down and stay down," she said. "And not just give up. Before, we used to roll over and say, 'Here. Take the game.' Now they have more fight in them and they do a lot better on staying positive and controlling their emotions to where it's the better side that comes out."

Orosco said the Chiefs served and passed better and had some good hits from Augusta Lang and Sheriene Davis on the backside.

"The back line hitters. We were getting some really good sets in there," the coach said.

Mescalero jumped back into District 8-1A play Thursday against Lake Arthur in Mescalero, and Orosco was hoping her team could get on a roll against the Panthers as the Chiefs head into the second half of the district season.

SOCCER: Another bad start hurts Warriors against NMMI

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"I was almost sick," said NMMI coach Kevin Jones.

"They went up 2-1 and it stayed that way until almost the end of the game. We scored the tying goal with about 45 seconds left and scored in the first minute of overtime to win."

Hatch's close loss to NMMI illustrates that while the Colts may have wrapped up the dis-

trict title, the race for second could be close.

"Depending on how Socorro does, we've got a good chance," Murillo said. "But we pretty much have to win the rest of our district games. We'd rather control our own destiny and win."

The Warriors play at Socorro Oct. 14 at 4 p.m., while the Ruidoso girls follow in their District 4-1A/3A opener.



TODD FUQUA/STAFF

Ruidoso tailback Casey Mirau runs through a gaping hole opened by the Warrior offensive line for a touchdown during RHS' 35-0 victory over Cobre Sept. 26. The Warriors haven't played a game since that time and have their hands full Saturday against top-ranked and undefeated St. Michael's.

SHOWDOWN: Capitan at Carrizozo tonight

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Tigers played defending state 1A champion Fort Sumner tough in a 32-10 loss. Their third defeat was on the road to Artesia's JV, 21-20. Their wins have been impressive — 52-12 over El Paso's Faith Christian and last week's 35-21 dismantling of the Alamogordo sophomores.

"From June 1, I said we can be as good as we want to be," Davis says. "We just have to quit feeling sorry for ourselves on defense."

Anchoring that defense is the hard-hitting Andrew Armendariz. Versatile quarterback Stephen Silva directs Capitan's explosive and balanced offense.

Key injuries hit both teams last week. Silva hurt his knee

against Alamo and sat out the second half. Results of an MRI were unknown at press time. If he can't go, freshman quarterback Tillman Freeman, though not the running threat of a Silva, has shown an ability to get the ball to his receivers in key situations.

For pass-happy Carrizozo, receiver Johnny Beltran was taken off the field by ambulance. His absence would put more responsibility on halfback Josh Calvert and quarterback Joseph Samora.

Fishing report for Ruidoso area, Oct. 10, 2003

Rio Ruidoso: Good activity, even though water is low. Has been stocked within last two weeks. Flies suggested are: pheasant tail, mosquito and parachute adams.

Bonito: Good reports on early morning and late afternoon-evening. Has been stocked in the last two weeks. Flies suggested are: parachute adams, mosquito, copper john, and the "Ruidoso Bubble" with a pistol pete.

Grindstone: Some action using the "Ruidoso Bubble" with a pistol pete. Also, good reports on getting further out in the lake using float tubes.

Eagle Lake: Low and mossy.

Upper Rio Ruidoso on the Reservation: Slightly muddy from rains this week, has been stocked within the last two weeks. Flies suggested are: pheasant tail, mosquito, and parachute adams.

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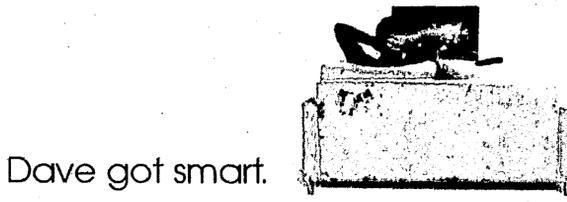
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NMMI	0-0	5-1	Tatum	4-0	13-1	Hondo	3-1	9-4
Ruidoso	0-0	4-3	Portales	2-0	8-10	Gateway Christian	2-2	5-10
Portales	0-0	4-3	Ruidoso	0-1	8-7	Mescalero	1-3	3-10
District 4-1A			District 5-2A			District 4-1A/3A Boys		
Capitan	0-0	2-3	Cloudcroft	3-0	11-3	NMMI	5-0	13-2
Hagerman	0-0	1-5	Tularosa	3-0	8-6	Socorro	0-1	6-8
Mescalero	0-0	1-4	Hatch	2-1	11-4	Hatch	0-3	4-4
Cloudcroft	0-0	1-5	Capitan	0-3	8-6	Ruidoso	0-3	4-4
Six Man District 3			District 7-1A			District 4-1A/3A Girls		
Melrose	0-0	2-2	Carrizozo	3-0	10-4	Socorro	0-0	9-6
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Fairly done in Capitan

BY JULIE CARTER
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Capitan youth in both FFA and 4-H claimed placings in livestock classes at both the New Mexico State Fair and the Eastern New Mexico State Fair.

Teresa Woodard had a grand champion dairy goat and won a first place in senior showmanship. Following that up with other goats she showed, she won nine first places and 11 second places.

Sarah Rush showed a second-place Fine Wool Cross lamb that was New Mexico bred. With her rabbits, she placed Best of the Show with a first- and second-place black buck Havana. Her pen of three rabbits won a sixth place. One of Sarah's most respectful awards came when she won the High Point Junior Livestock Judging competition.

At the Eastern New Mexico State Fair, Rush won the Grand Champion Baker. She also showed another first place chocolate doe Havana, a first- and second-place black buck Havana.

Colt Freemole attended both state fairs with his dairy heifer, placing a 16th in Albuquerque and 11th in Roswell.

Robbie Burchett placed three dairy heifers at the New Mexico State Fair. He won a fifth in Class 7, a second in Class 6 and a 13th in Class 2. At Roswell he won a first in Class 6, a third in Class 7 and an 11th in

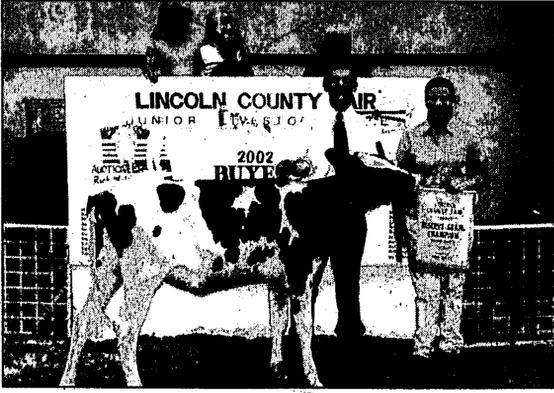


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Colt Freemole poses with his prize-winning dairy heifer at the Lincoln County Fair in August.

Class 1.

Brian Holladay won a third with his trailer in the Ag Mechanics division in Albuquerque and a 13th with a Southdown lamb.

Patrick Luna showed a 12th and 14th place dairy lamb at the state fair in Albuquerque.

Some of the Capitan 4-Hers that placed in livestock divisions were: Emily rush showed a first place medium light-weight Hampshire hog which ended up reserve champion of the breed. She also presented a first-place black doe Havana, a first with her junior doe and buck. At Roswell, her first place junior-buck was the runner up Best of the Show. She had two first places with a Junior and Senior doe.

Haley Montes showed a ninth- and 10th-place steer at the State Fair and at Eastern she placed an eighth in Class 2. In the swine classes, Haley won a first with her light Duroc and a third with her heavy cross.

Cowboy etiquette part of a heritage passed on through the generations

BY JULIE CARTER
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

We live in a time when rules and regulations are everywhere. If the government hasn't regulated it, we the people have. We write rules and we pass out manuals with job descriptions and the laws to abide by while on the job.

The job a cowboy has is not just a job. It's a heritage that has evolved over centuries of man working with beast. The cowboy about man, horse and cows. It also became about the type of man who was and is a cowboy. I'm talking about the cowboy named after the cow, not the cowboy named after the event at a rodeo.

The man that came after the invention of the cow came with a set of rules, a code of sort, that hasn't been written up in books. They aren't in a manual handed out at the bunkhouse. But they have been passed from generation to generation among the cowhands and between father and son.

These are laws of respect and etiquette that weren't taught, you just knew. Those laws still hold

true today, although the awareness of them seems to be fading as more and more cowboys are "found," not raised.

There have been some real genuine legitimate indisputable cowboys in my life. With my tendency to write things down on paper, I interviewed them over the years and asked them to tell me what it was I should know in case I'd missed what it was they thought I knew. Here are a few of the etiquettes they all agreed every cowboy should know and do, no matter what.

1. Never ride another cowboy's horse, unless it's a matter of life or death.
2. Never use another cowboy's equipment without permission.
3. Never ride between another cowboy and the herd. Always ride behind them to get where you are going.
4. Don't ride in front of the boss. He knows what he wants to do and you don't. If he's tracking cattle, stay back or you'll mess up the tracks.
5. Never ride into a herd without being asked. If you are holding

herd, hold the herd...Period.

6. Don't ask the boss what you are going to do the next day. If he wants you to know, he'll tell you.

7. Always take care of your horse before you take care of yourself.

8. Always be on time. Nothing makes a cow boss quite as mad as having to wait on someone.

9. Cowboy, take that hat off! If you are in the presence of a lady or if you go into someone's house, show your respect and hold that hat in your hand. Watch your language in mixed company. If you are sitting in a room and a lady enters, stand up.

10. Always help the cook with wood and water and don't ever get into his grub unless he asks. Always put your plate and silverware in the roundup pan (dishpan) after you eat.

11. Don't ever take a dog to help another outfit. They may not like dogs. Never yell at another man's dog.

12. Always roll your bedroll when you first get out of it. Always leave a clean camp.

The best advice my mentors could offer was to always be respectful, dependable and do your best. Manners count for cowboys too. There is no one finer to be around than a gentleman cowboy.



County Views
BY JULIE CARTER

FAIR RESULTS

2003 Lincoln County 4-H winners in Indoor Projects at the Eastern New Mexico State Fair:

NOVICE:

Lane Carter: 2nd Silhouettes, 3rd Clover James Forbes: 2nd The Normal Animal
Kylie Gaines: 1st Terrarium, Exhibit of annuals/perennials, 1st Entomology exhibit first year, 1st 4-H Banner, 1st Recipe box w/ recipes, 1st Self determined Fibercraft, 1st Embellished shirt, 2nd Embellished Pants; 3rd Trail Mix
Shandy Grider: 2nd 4-H Project workbook
Tessa Hendricks: 2nd Trail Mix
Jordan Hill: 1st Unit 2
Haley Montes: 2nd Quick Sack
Emily Rush: 3rd Painted T-shirt
Wade Sultermier: 2nd Exhibit about an animal, 1st The Normal Animal, 2nd Dog II, 2nd Self-Determined Electricity, 2nd Unit 2: Multi-stage Rocket, 2nd Recipe Box, 1st Cornhusk Doll, 1st Unit 2 Photogram
Bethany Sweat: 2nd Unit 1 My Clubs and Groups, 2nd Unit 1 Photo w/good composition, 3rd Unit 1 Album w/2-4 pages, 2nd Skirt and top, 1st Tissue Cover, 1st Eyeglass Case, 1st Tote Bag, 1st Banana Nut Loaf, 3rd Corbread, 1st Consumerism Poster
Forrest Sweat: 1st Dog 1, 3rd Cat 1, 3rd Unit 1, 2nd Archery exhibit, 2nd Pinata, 3rd, Quick and Easy Tote Bag
Marshall Wilson: 2nd Unit 2 Skill Plate, 2nd Article for Workshop, 1st Self determined photography

JUNIOR

Elizabeth Bingerman: 1st Unit 2, 2nd Handy Dandy Apron
Jasmine Candelaria: 3rd Photo Story
Quade Copeland: 1st Self determined Wildlife
Andres Garcia: 1st Painted T-shirt
Erin Hightower: 1st The Normal Animal
Mathew Orness: 3rd Exhibit about an animal, 2nd Self determined Wildlife, 1st Rifle Exhibit, 1st Shotgun Exhibit, 1st Unit 1, 1st Same Subject, -3 angles, 1st Dried Fruits poster
Dorotea Salcido: 3rd 4-H Box, 3rd Unit 1
Gilbert Salcido: 2nd 4-H project workbook
Jennifer Shafer: 2nd T-shirt, 1st Tissue Cover, 1st Eye Glass Case
Tyler Shropshire: 2nd Unit 2
Keith Sultermier: 1st Dog II, 2nd Self Determined Rocketry, 3rd Rope Article
Kendal Wilson: 1st Self Determined Leather craft, 1st Self Determined Braiding, 1st Self Determined Photography

SENIOR

Ryan Gaines: 1st Ten Mounted Range Plants, 1st Unit 1
Opal Greer: 1st Scarf
Patrick Luna: 1st Skill Plate, 1st Self determined Leather craft
Kaitlyn Vega: 1st Top and Skirt
Justus Wilson: 2nd Self determined Photography

Taking a look at 4-H in the 21st century and beyond

BY VELMA WARD
SPECIAL TO THE RUIDOSO NEWS

This is the first of two columns celebrating Oct. 5-11 as National 4-H Week.

Since the original corn, pig and canning clubs of the early 1900s, the progress and forward momentum of the 4-H youth development program has been phenomenal. Technological breakthroughs and modernization brought great changes to the clubs.

The simple livestock projects became animal science projects as the youth helped our nation develop and improve animal breeds to serve the growing population and export businesses. Selection, feeding, breeding, evaluation, judging and processing all became part of the 4-H members training and goals.

The corn clubs became horticulture and agronomy projects, teaching youth to analyze and improve soil and growing conditions, experiment with different crops, evaluate rangeland and fields, identify plants, weeds, seeds and poisonous plants and learn forestry skills to improve our farm, range, grass and forest lands.

The natural science projects allowed youth to learn about the delicate balance of our ecological system by teaching them about insects, wildlife and the

shooting sport practices and safety that are necessary for this balance.

Electricity, small engines, welding, rocketry and wood science were all available to the youth to learn hand skills that enable them to function in everyday life.

Perhaps the most important area is the personal growth and development projects. Health, leadership, public speaking, citizenship, and cultural education are all life skills that 4-H members learn as part of a team, in the club, or on their own. All are necessary skills for the future generation, which these youth are.

Creative arts let the youth explore their creativity and personal interests, offering leather craft, braiding, fiber craft, photography and self determined art projects.

Home economics allows the 4-H member to learn everyday life skills that serve them well all of their lives. Clothing construction and coordination, fashion magic, food and nutrition, baking, food planning, food preservation, housing and interior design are all part of programs offered by 4-H.

Consumer education teaches the youth to shop and buy wisely, and to judge the value of their purchases.

All of these areas of programming are important and

essential to the development of youth and to the maintenance of the adult that follows. As times change and the need changes, so will the 4-H program.

Youth/adult partnerships are becoming very important in our society to better understand the needs of both, to tap the

resources of both and to address the priorities of both.

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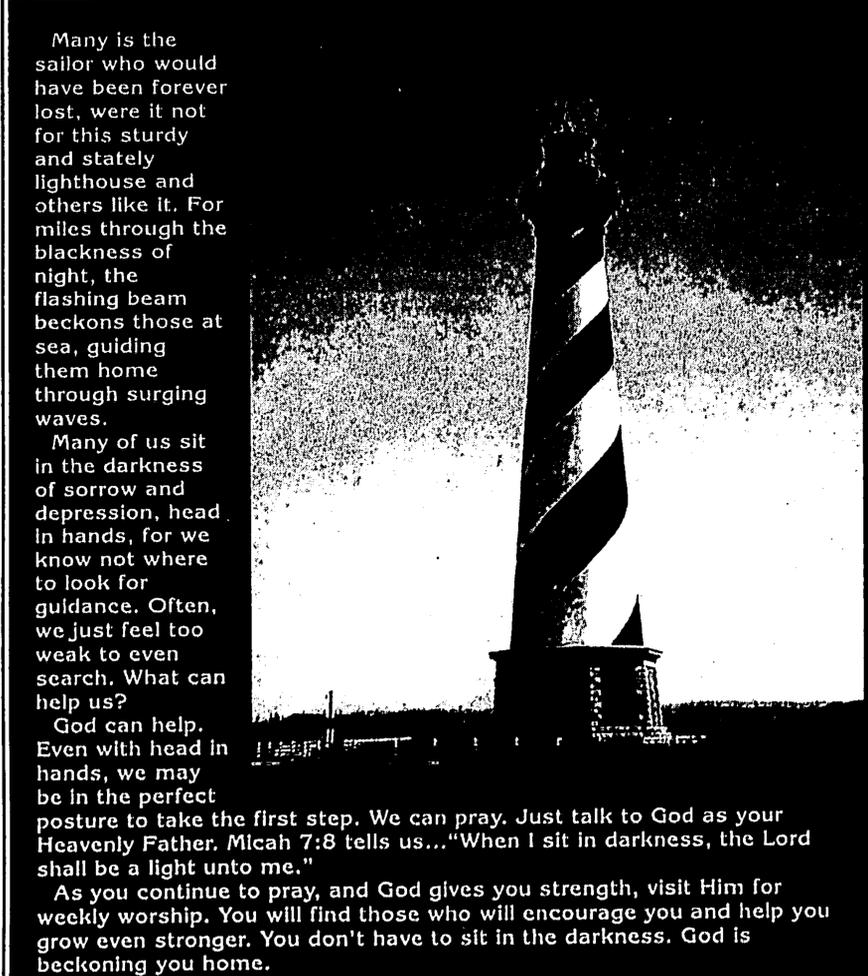
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Many of us sit in the darkness of sorrow and depression, head in hands, for we know not where to look for guidance. Often, we just feel too weak to even search. What can help us?

God can help. Even with head in hands, we may be in the perfect posture to take the first step. We can pray. Just talk to God as your Heavenly Father. Micah 7:8 tells us... "When I sit in darkness, the Lord shall be a light unto me."

As you continue to pray, and God gives you strength, visit Him for weekly worship. You will find those who will encourage you and help you grow even stronger. You don't have to sit in the darkness. God is beckoning you home.

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Our Lady of Guadalupe Bent. Father Paul Botenhagen Saturday Mass: 6 p.m., Sunday Mass: 8 a.m.

CHRISTIAN
Christian Community Church 127 Rio Corner W/Eagle, Mid-town, 9-11 Sunday Services/Praise & Worship. For more information call: 378-7076

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Hull and Gavilan Canyon Road, Rev. James M. Smith, Pastor, Sunday School, K-12/Adult: 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m.; Chancel Choir: Wednesday 7 p.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Gateway Church of Christ 415 Sudderth, Ruidoso, 257-4381 Jimmy Spertsmann, Minister. Sunday Morning worship 9:30 a.m., Sunday Bible Class: 11:00 a.m., Mid-Week Service: Wed. 6:30 p.m.

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST LDS
Church of Jesus Christ LDS Ruidoso Branch, North on Hwy 48, between Ruidoso and Capitán. Branch President Lee Nielson, 336-4359 Sunday schedule. Sacrament starts at 10 a.m., Sunday School, Paveschild and Relief Society

Church of Jesus Christ LDS Mescalero Branch, 671-4630 Wayne King, President, 505-434-0622. Sunday Sacrament meeting 10 a.m.; Sunday School and Primary 11:20 a.m.; Priesthood Relief Soc. & Young Women, 12:10 a.m.

EPISCOPAL
Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount 121 Mescalero Trail, Ruidoso. Fr Ron Thomson, Team Leader. Sunday Eucharist Rite I, 8:00 a.m., Rite II - 10:30 a.m., nursery available for the 10:30 service; Sunday School: 10:30, Youth Group (JDOK, CIA) 1:30-3:30. Wednesday, Daughters of King at noon, Eucharist & healing, 5:30 p.m., Choir practice: 7:00 p.m.

Episcopal Chapel of San Juan Lincoln, Sunday: Holy Eucharist 10:30 a.m.

St. Anne's Episcopal Chapel in Glencoe, Sunday: Holy Eucharist 9:00 a.m.

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Mission Fountain of Living Water San Patricio, Sunday School: 10 a.m., Evening services: 7:30 p.m., Sunday, Tuesday and Friday.

JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES
Ruidoso - Kingdom Hall 106 Alpine Village Road, 258-3659, 257-3871. Sunday Public Talk 1:30 p.m., Watchtower Study: 2:20 p.m., Monday Book Study: 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Theoc. Ministry School 7:30 p.m., Service Meeting 8:20 p.m.

Congregacion Hispana de los Testigos de Jehova 106 Alpine Village Road, 258-3659, 336-7076. Domingo: Reunion Publica 10:00 a.m., Estudio de la Atalaya 10:50 p.m. Martes Escuela del Ministerio Teocratico 7 p.m., Reunion de servicio 7:50 p.m., Mier Estudio de libro 7:00 p.m.

LUTHERAN
Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church 1120 Hull Road, 258-4191, 257-5296. Kevin L. Krohn, Pastor. Sunday: Worship 8:30 a.m. (May-Oct.), 10:30 a.m.; Sun. School & Adult Bible Class 9:30 a.m. Thurs. Eve. Bible Study, 7:00 p.m., call for location.

METHODIST
Community United Methodist Church Junction Road, behind "The Coffee House", Bob Sawyer, Pastor. Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.; Sunday worship, 8:30 a.m., 10:55 a.m.

APOSTOLIC PENTECOSTAL
Apostolic Pentecostal Assembly, Eternal Life Ministries, Minister: Harry A. Peyton, call for your personal Home Bible study, 430-9640, (Web page) http://www.DoctrinesOfChrist.com

The Apostles of Lincoln County, UPC Remax Center, 1009 Mechem Dr., Unit #1, Pastor, Art Dunn, Sunday afternoon, 4:30 PM. Adult, childrens & youth classes, Wednesday evening, 7:00 PM. Bible Study.

PRESBYTERIAN
First Presbyterian Church 101 Sutton Drive (Nob Hill), Ruidoso, 257-2220, Rev. Cathy Caulte Anderson, Sunday school 9:45 a.m., Worship 11 a.m., Potluck fellowship after worship the third Sunday of

every month.

Mountain Ministry Parish Community United Presbyterian Church Ancho, Reverend Scott King, Sunday worship 9 a.m., Sunday School: 10 a.m.

Corona Presbyterian Church Reverend Scott King Sunday: Church School, 10 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.

Nogal Presbyterian Church Reverend Bill Sehng. Adult Sunday School: 10 a.m., worship 11 a.m.

REFORMED CHURCH
Mescalero Reformed Mescalero, Bob Schut, Pastor, Sunday: Church school 9:30 a.m., worship 10:30 a.m., Mon., junior high youth 6:30 p.m., Wed.: high school meeting 7 p.m., Thur.: Kids Club (grades 1-5) 3:30.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST
Ruidoso Seventh Day Adventist 207 Packway, Agua Fria, Ruidoso Downs, 378-4161. Pastor Earl Robertson 505-439-0760; Assoc. Pastor Wilburn Morrow 622-1206. Saturday: Sabbath school 9:30 a.m., Church service: 11 a.m., Wednesday: Prayer meeting 7 p.m.

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH
Sacramento Mountains Unitarian Universalist Church, meeting in members' homes. Call 258-1881, www.mtusun.com/smuuc

NON-DENOMINATIONAL
Abundant Life Family Church 2810 Sudderth Drive, Suite 210, 257-1188, Mark Gentry, pastor, Sunday worship 10:00 a.m., Thursday Bible study 7 p.m.

American Missionary Fellowship Rick Smith, 682-2999 Monday, Women's Bible study 6:30 p.m. at Schlotzsky's Deli, Tuesday: Ruidoso men's Bible study noon at Pizza Hut, Mechem Drive, Wednesday: (Sept. through May) Capitán Jr. High and Sr. High Youth Groups 6:30 p.m. at Christ Community Fellowship, E-mail: RickS@americanmissionary.org.

Calvary Chapel 127 Vision, next to Cable Co., 257-5915, Pastor John Marshall, Sunday worship 9:30 a.m.,

Wednesday: Mid-week bible study 7:00 p.m.

Cassa de Oracion Comunidad Cristiana, Ruidoso 304 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso, NM 88345 (505) 257-6075. Pastor: Carlos & Gabby Carreon Martes - Oracion 6:00 pm; Jueves - Servicio General 6:00 pm; Sabado - Kid-in-Revival 11:00 am; Domingo Servicio General 11:00 am. *All Services are Bilingual* - Translators Available -

Christ Church in the Downs Ruidoso Downs, 378-8464. Al and Mary Lane, Pastors, Sunday: 8:00 Sun a.m., 10:45 a.m., Children's ministries concurrent with late Sunday Services. Sat. outreach at 1pm, at church, Thursday 7 p.m.

Cornerstone Church Cornerstone Square, 613 Sudderth Drive, 257-9265. John & Joy Wyatt, Pastors, Sunday School, 9:45, Church, 10:30 a.m.; 6:30 p.m., with Children's Church Sun. Eve. Handicap Services 11 a.m. Wed. Leadership Class 6 p.m. & Prayer 7 p.m. Wed. Bible Study Adult 7 p.m., Thurs. and Youth, Thurs. 7 p.m.

Cowboy Church Noon Sundays at the Glencoe Rural Estates Center Everyone welcome Preacher Buster Reed of Amarillo. Call 378-4840 for more info.

Grace Harvest Church Gavilan Canyon Rd. 336-4213. Sun. morning prayer 8:30 a.m.; Sunday school 9 a.m.; service 10 a.m.

Iglesia Bautista "Vida Eterna" Pastor Rev. Ramon Robledo, 207 East Circle, Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346, 361 E. Hwy. 70, (505) 378-8108. Email: rrobledo@ycos.com

Miracle Life Ministry Center Ron Rice & Catherine Callahan, Ministers Available 24 hours for healing prayer. 354-0255 e-mail miraclelife@ruidoso-online.com

Peace Chapel Interdenominational (ULC) Alto North, 336-7075, Jeannie Price, Pastor. Morning church: 6:50 a.m. (Sept. - June); Sun. Service: 11 a.m.

NON-SECTARIAN
Spiritual Awareness Study Group Minister: George N. Brown, Ph.D., U.L.C. Sundays 1 p.m. - 257-1569

CAPITAN & LINCOLN CHURCHES

BAPTIST
Trinity Southern Baptist Church (south on Highway 48) Mt. Capitán Rd. 354-2044. Sunday School: 9:30 a.m., Worship: 11 a.m.; AWANA-Sunday 4-6 p.m.

Mountain Baptist Church
Independent-Fundamental. Pastor - WG Carter. Sunday School-10 AM. Sunday Worship - 11 AM & 6 PM. Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study 7:15 PM (Next to BBQ place on Hwy 380) Capitán, NM (505) 378-6134

CATHOLIC
Sacred Heart Catholic Church Capitán, 354-9102. Saturday Mass: 5 p.m., Sunday Mass: 9 a.m., Monday Adult Bible Study: 6 p.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Capitán - Highway 48, Les Earwood, Minister. Sunday Bible study: 10 a.m.; Sunday worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible study: 6 p.m.

EPISCOPAL
Episcopal Chapel of San Juan in Lincoln - Sunday: Holy Eucharist - 10:30 a.m.

FOUR SQUARE
Capitán Four Square Church Highway 48, Capitán, Harold W. Perry, Pastor, Sunday School: 10 a.m.; Sunday worship: 11 a.m., 7 p.m., Wednesday Bible study: 7 p.m.

METHODIST
Capitán United Methodist Church Pastor Johanna Anderson and the congregation of Capitán United Methodist Church welcome Lincoln County residents and visitors alike to attend Bible study Sunday morning at 8:30, followed by worship service at 9:10. Communion is offered during worship on the first Sunday of every month, and a potluck luncheon is served the third Sunday at 12:30. White Oaks and Third in Capitán, 505-648-2846.

NAZARENE
Angus Church of the Nazarene Angus, 12 miles north of Ruidoso on Hwy. 48, 336-8032. Rick Hutchison Pastor. Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship, 10:45 a.m.; Sunday Evening Worship, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer Meeting, 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday Youth Worship, 6:00 p.m.

NON-DENOMINATIONAL
Christ Community Fellowship Capitán, Highway 380 West, 354-2458. Ed Vinson, Pastor. Sunday school, 9:45 a.m., Sunday worship, 10:30 a.m.

QUAKER WORSHIP GROUP - Lincoln, Religious Society of Friends, silent meeting, Old Lincoln Church, Lincoln, 10 am. 505*653*4951

ASSEMBLY OF GOD
The Word of Life Church Rev. Chuck Fulton, pastor/648-2339, 711 E. Ave., Carrizozo, NM. Affiliated with the Evangelistic Assembly Church, Sunday 7:00 pm.

BAPTIST
First Baptist Church Hayden Smith, Pastor, Sunday School: 9:45 a.m., Sunday worship: 11 a.m., 7:15 p.m.; Church training: 6:30 p.m., Sunday

CATHOLIC
Santa Rita Catholic Church 648-2853, Father Dave Bergs, Pastor, Saturday Mass: 6:30 p.m.; Sunday Mass: 10:30 a.m.; Tuesday Adult Bible Study, 6 p.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Perry Zumwalt, minister, Ave. C at 12th, Carrizozo, NM. Sunday School 10:00 am; Worship Service 11:00 am; Evening Worship 1:15 pm; Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm.

EPISCOPAL
St. Matthias Episcopal Chapel Carrizozo, 6th & E Street, Sunday: Holy Eucharist 9:30 a.m.

METHODIST
United Methodist Church Parish Trinity - 1000 D. Ave. 648-2893/648-2846, Carrizozo. Johanna Anderson, pastor, Sunday school 10:00 a.m.; Sunday worship 11:00 a.m.; Choir Practice (Tues.) 6:30 p.m.; United Methodist Women Every 3rd Wed. 1:00 pm, Fellowship Dinner 4th Sun. of month 12:30 pm.

NON-DENOMINATIONAL
Carrizozo Community Church (A/G) Johnnie L. Johnson, pastor, Corner of C Ave. & Thirteenth, 648-2186. Children's Church 10:30 am; Worship Service 10:30 am; Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 pm.

Carrizo Christian Fellowship Leonard Kanesewah III, Pastor, 56 White Mt. Dr., 3 mi. W. of Inn of the Mountain Gods Mescalero. Sundays 10:30 & 6:30, Wed. 6:30 378-1789

Concealed carry meeting next week

■ Applicants can file for permits now, but none will be handed out until January 2004.

BY WALTER RUBEL
RUIDOSO NEWS SANTA FE BUREAU

SANTA FE — The state Department of Public Safety will hold a public hearing next week on rules and procedures for the state's new law allowing residents to carry concealed weapons.

The concealed carry law went into effect July 1, but the first licenses will not be issued until January 2004. Anyone seeking a concealed carry license can start the application process now, and then complete the course work when courses and instructors are certified.

The law, as it is now written, can be reviewed on the Department of Public Safety Web site at www.dps.nm.org. Department spokesman Peter Olson said all aspects of the law are subject to review.

"Usually there's just minor changes because most of the major points have been hashed out over the last several months," Olson said. "But if somebody's got a good

point, that's what these public hearings are all about."

Rep. John Heaton, D-Eddy, who sponsored the bill in the House said he is hopeful that the Department of Public Safety implements the bill as it was written, without adding more "burdensome requirements or regulations."

"It ought to be pretty straightforward because the law was pretty straightforward," Heaton said. "We spent a great deal of time putting the law together."

The new law requires an applicant to complete 15 hours of firearms training, to be conducted both in the classroom and on the firing range, when first applying for a concealed carry license. They must then take a refresher course of at least four hours when renewing the license every two years.

Applicants must also undergo a background check and a check of court records for protective orders, as well as submit two full sets of fingerprints. Anyone who has been convicted of a felony or other crimes involving violence or substance abuse is not eligible for a license.

Applicants must be U.S. citizens and residents of New Mexico who are at least 25

years old.

Olson said he expected the final version of the law to be ready shortly after the meeting.

"It depends on how many changes that need to be made," he said. "It could be as short as a couple of days or it could be a couple of weeks if there's major changes that need to be made, but as quick as possible. People are anxious to get started with their training."

Heaton said he was looking forward to getting the law on the books and permits into the hands of law-abiding citizens.

"This law was for women," he said. "This is a piece of legislation to enable women who are being preyed upon to be able to defend themselves."

The meeting will begin at 9 a.m. Wednesday at the State Capitol in Santa Fe. Those unable to attend can submit testimony in writing to the Department of Public Safety.

Applications for a concealed carry license are available at district offices of the State Police or can be downloaded from the DPS Web site. A list of certified instructors will also be included on the Web site, as they become certified.

MORNING STROLL



ELLIS NEEL/ALAMOGORDO DAILY NEWS

Bertha Garza, left, principal of Oregon Elementary School in Alamogordo, chats with Grant Dalpes, center, a parent who walked his daughter Kacey to school Wednesday as part of New Mexico's Walk Our Kids to School Day, in celebration of International Walk Our Kids to School Day.

Department of Education considering changing 'gifted' standards

BY WALTER RUBEL
RUIDOSO NEWS SANTA FE BUREAU

SANTA FE — The State Department of Education is reconsidering how it identifies "gifted" students, in an attempt to include more minorities and others who may not now qualify.

The proposed changes would use additional methods to qualify gifted students, and would not rely as heavily on IQ tests. As the law stands now, a student must "demonstrate an IQ at least two standard deviations above the mean and outstanding achievement, creativity or critical thinking."

Under the proposed changes, an IQ test would still be one of the factors considered in qualification, but would no longer be a prerequisite.

"What they're looking at doing is looking at the whole kid and looking at a range of abili-

ties in different areas like critical thinking, creativity, intellectual — but intellectual would not be a prerequisite, it would be one piece," explained Lori Comallie, coordinator for Advanced Education Services in the Las Cruces school district. "Gifted inherently has a definition of a high IQ, but it may not be that that 130 IQ is a be all and end all."

Comallie said that because of an ethnic and cultural bias in IQ tests, gifted programs in New Mexico are disproportionately lacking minority students. According to statistics from the Department of Education, Hispanic, Native American and black students are identified as gifted at a rate that is half or less of their representation of the student population.

The New Mexico Legislature and the Department of Education began recognizing

gifted students in 1972. While the criteria for what qualifies as gifted has changed in the last 30 years, the reliance on standardized test scores has not.

The Public School Reform Act of 1986, which set the current required IQ score, reduced the number of qualified students by 25 percent, and the number of minority students who qualified by 40 percent. Changes implemented in 1994 to consider factors such as cultural or linguistic differences, disadvantaged socioeconomic status and other conditions that might hamper a student's ability to perform well on standardized tests did little to increase minority participation.

Comallie said two programs are being piloted in the state to consider different ways to identify gifted students. One program, called Discover Assessment, considers a student's aptitude in five different areas — spatial

artistic, spatial linguistic, oral linguistic, written linguistic and mathematics. A second program was described by Comallie as a "portfolio assessment."

The intent, Comallie said, is not to lower the standards but to

develop new ways of identifying gifted students.

Meetings to take public input on the proposed changes will be held 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Las Cruces school administration office and 7 p.m. Wednesday in

Albuquerque. Comments can also be submitted in writing to the Department of Education, 300 Don Gaspar, Santa Fe, N.M. 87501. For more information, check the DOE Web site at www.sde.state.nm.us.

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STATE BRIEFS

Felonious footwear

ALAMOGORDO — A local man got a shock Friday when he was the victim of a robbery while being threatened with a shoe.

According to reports from the Alamogordo Department of Public Safety, the man, a resident of Mountain View Trailer Court, was being entertained in his bedroom Friday, by two female companions, when a male subject entered the room, brandishing a shoe and demanding money.

The subject gave over an undisclosed amount of money, said police.

The male subject, along with the two females, then left the trailer with the money.

An investigation is ongoing.

Storytellers in state

FARMINGTON — Storytellers from around the

globe will converge on Farmington this weekend for Farmington Public Library's Four Corners Storytelling Festival.

The festival is scheduled to begin Friday and Saturday at 9 a.m. at Berg Park with registration as early as 8:30 a.m. The day portion of the festival will end between 3 p.m. and 4:30 p.m., and evening sessions will run from 6-9 p.m. at Lions Wilderness Amphitheater.

Featured at this year's festival is a group called Eth-noh-Tec, an Asian storytelling team that relies on theatrics and each other during performances.

Woman shot sleeping

DEMING — A Deming woman was awakened early Thursday morning by a noise, then felt a pain in her side. She later discovered she had been

shot from outside her Overhill Road home.

The bullet perforated her bowel.

The woman told sheriff's deputies she was awakened at about 3:15 a.m. by a "pop," then noticed the pain.

Thinking the mark she discovered on her left side might be a spider bite, she checked the hospital emergency room and later went to a local health clinic. At the latter, she was given an antibiotic and the red spot thought to be a bite was covered with a Band-Aid.

Her left side still bothering here, the woman later went to Mimbres Memorial Hospital, where examination revealed the nature of the wound.

A small-caliber bullet was removed in surgery and the bowel repaired. Deputies found a small bullet hole in a westside wall of the woman's home.

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The 2003 Lincoln County Winter Visitors Guide is coming. This year's edition is entirely new. Like its predecessors, it will provide readers - locally and in Texas and throughout New Mexico - with everything they need to know to plan their winter Ruidoso getaway. Unlike previous editions, this year's Winter Guide will provide advertisers with the opportunity to advertise on a special Shop Ruidoso page in the Thanksgiving edition of the El Paso Times. Businesses, there has never been an advertising program this powerful, or this affordable, to launch your important winter season. Call the advertising department at 257-4001 today to schedule an appointment with your account executive. Hurry! Space is limited.

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Running with the pack: Yellowstone wolf programs

Their very presence elicits a whirlwind of emotion and debate. There are those who take it for granted that wolves have no business in Yellowstone, whereas wildlife biologists argue that the wolves are the last missing link in the park's ecosystem.



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

Politics aside, since their reintroduction in 1995, Yellowstone's wolves have emerged as the ultimate object of pursuit for most wildlife seekers. This winter the Yellowstone Association Institute is offering the world's greatest number and diversity of educational programs on wolves in the best place in the world to observe wild wolves in a natural setting.

"The tremendous public interest in Yellowstone's restored wolf population has exceeded everyone's expectations," said Jim Williams, Institute program manager. "In response, we have devel-

oped a variety of programs for people with different experience levels, interests and schedules."

Programs include one-day introductory programs, two- and three-day introductory programs and three- and four-day intensive field seminars that are available for college credit. The Institute also offers custom wolf programs for small groups from schools, colleges and non-profit organizations. The Yellowstone Association Institute is the only organization based inside Yellowstone National Park working in partnership with the National Park Service to educate visitors about wolves.

Institute wolf programs have become popular because participants spend most of their time in the park observing wolves. Institute instructors are professional wildlife biologists intimately familiar with the locations and daily movements of Yellowstone

wolves, and courses are offered at affordable rates often less than half of those for comparable programs offered by other organizations.

The Institute's nine intensive Field Seminars focusing on wolves include three new seminars. Field seminars immerse participants in a single subject and last from two to four days with participation strictly limited. This year's wolf seminars include: Yellowstone's Wolves, Scavenger Hunt: Wolf-Scavenger Relationships, Yellowstone Coyotes: Wild Dogs At War, Ripple Effect: The Ecology of Wolf Restoration, Legendary Yellowstone Wolves: Their Individual Stories, Wolf Conservation and Management, Wolf Social Behavior, Fang and Flesh: Hunter and Hunted in Yellowstone, and Wolf Watching In Yellowstone. Fees range from \$125 to \$195 per person.

All field seminars on wolves are held at the Lamar Buffalo Ranch in the midst of the best wolf area in the park. Simple and comfortable log cabins are available for \$22 per person per night. To register, or for more information, call the Institute registrar at (307) 344-2294 or go

to www.YellowstoneAssociation.org.

Winter Wolf Discovery is a "lodging and learning" program based at Mammoth Hot Springs Hotel. Yellowstone Association Institute wildlife biologists provide expertise on Yellowstone's restored wolf population and lead wildlife viewing excursions in Yellowstone's Northern Range. The standard two-day program is offered twice per week - Monday to Wednesday and Wednesday to Friday - from Dec. 22 to March 7, 2004. New this year, a more in-depth, three-day version of the program is offered each week Thursday to Sunday. Rates - including lodging, breakfast and lunch daily, in-park transportation, expert instruction and use of high-powered wildlife spotting scopes - start at \$245 for the two-day program and \$360 for the three-day program. To register for the Winter Wolf Discovery, call (307) 344-7311.

Wildlife Ed-Ventures are one-day private wildlife-watching tours led by an Institute wildlife biologist. The Institute will be offering Sunset and Personal Wildlife Ed-Ventures this winter. Both

include instruction, use of high-powered spotting scopes, in-park transportation and box lunch. Personal Wildlife Ed-Ventures and Sunset Wildlife Ed-Ventures are available Saturday, Sunday and Monday from Dec. 19 to March 8, 2004. The per-person cost for the Sunset Wildlife Ed-Venture is \$55 (\$45 for members of the Yellowstone Association), and the minimum age is 8. The group cost for the Personal Wildlife Ed-Venture is \$350 (\$340 for Yellowstone Association members) for up to 10 people.

To register for Wildlife Ed-Ventures, call 307-344-2294. For more information, go to www.YellowstoneAssociation.org.

The Institute is the educational division of the Yellowstone Association and has offered courses in the park since 1976. The

Yellowstone Association was founded in 1933. Its mission, in partnership with the National Park Service, is to foster the public's understanding, appreciation and enjoyment of Yellowstone National Park and its surrounding ecosystem.

To receive a course catalog or for more information, go to www.YellowstoneAssociation.org, write to the Yellowstone Association at PO Box 117, Yellowstone National Park WY 82190 or call 307-344-2294.

The Barones are full time travel writers and photographers operating out of their home in Alto. Their column appears each Friday in the Ruidoso News. To learn more about their work, visit their web site at <http://www.intlmediagroup.com> or e-mail them at barones@intlmediagroup.com.

ICMC BIRTHS

Recent births at Lincoln County Medical Center:

Sept. 17, 2003, a son, Eric Ray Brock, to Michel Randle and Cody Brock, 7 lb, 3.6 oz, 21 7/8"

Sept. 20, 2003, a son, Jeremy Michael Tso, to Mary Toclanny and Dylan Tso, 9 lb, 5.5 oz, 21"

Sept. 20, 2003, a daughter, Gabriela Averiel Desiderio, to Daisy Tissonlthos and Gabriel Desiderio, 5 lb, 13.8 oz, 20"

Sept. 19, 2003, a daughter, Hanna Rose Fielder, to Aurelia Fielder, 7 lb, 3.1 oz, 20 1/2"

Sept. 21, 2003, a son, Jose Angel Aragon Rivas, to Maria and Jose Rivas, 7 lb, 2.3 oz, 20"

Sept. 21, 2003, a daughter, Guiselle

Guillen, to Maria and Jorge Guillen, 6 lb, 13.7 oz, 20 1/4"

Sept. 21, 2003, a son, Nathaniel Micah Dominguez, to Gustavo and Dale Dominguez, 7 lb, 3 oz, 20 1/4"

Sept. 22, 2003, a son, Robert Wayland Lueras, to Joanie and Carl Lueras, 7 lb, 8 oz, 20"

Sept. 24, 2003, twin girls, Adelaide Falon Meis, 6 lb, 8.6 oz, 19 1/2" and Madeline Sue Meis, 6 lb, 8.8 oz, 20", to Marc Meis and Rachel Wilson-Meis

Sept. 24, 2003, a son, Casey Barrett Sordahl Barrier, to Stacey Sordahl, 7 lb, 14.4 oz, 20"

Sept. 25, 2003, a son, Taylor Ryan Stuffelbeam, to Shannan and Tully Stuffelbeam, 8 lb, 7.9 oz, 20 3/4"

Sept. 25, 2003, a daughter, Katrina Jacquelynn Veale, to Catherine Veale, 6 lb, 15.3 oz, 20"

Sept. 26, 2003, a son, Anthony Kenneth Rogers, to Carrie Bailey and Daniel Rogers, 5 lb, 8.9 oz, 20"

Sept. 26, 2003, a son, Lathan Waren Sanchez, to Kimberlee Wood and Jake Sanchez, 6 lb, 12.6 oz, 19 1/2"

Sept. 29, 2003, a son, Johnnie Billy Smith, to Beverly and Philbert Smith, 9 lb, 6.6 oz, 20"

Sept. 26, 2003, a son, Zachary Taylor Byrd, to Anita Rice and Bobby Byrd, 6 lb, 9.6 oz, 20"

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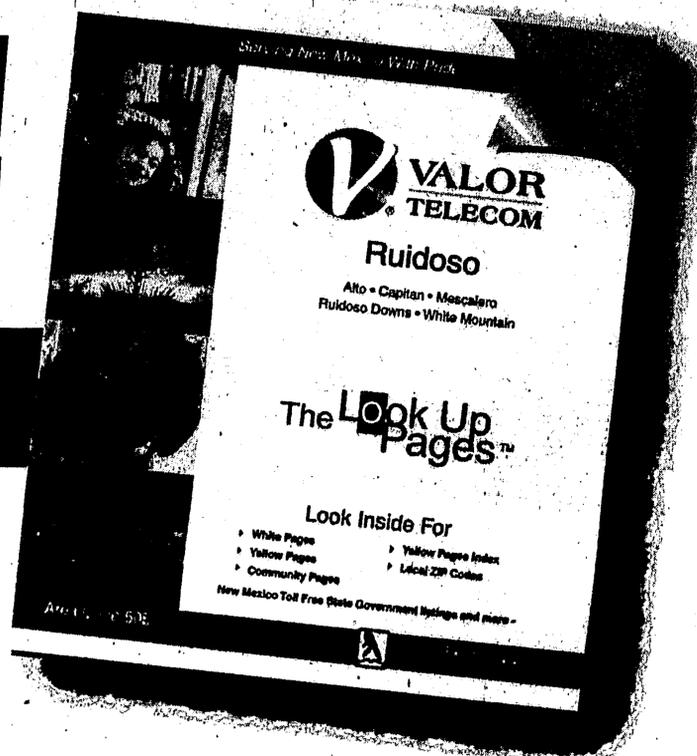
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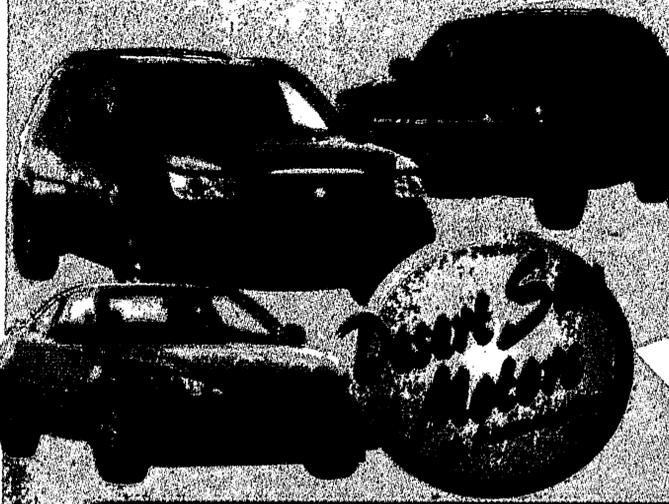
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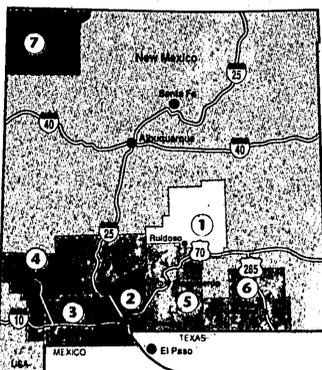
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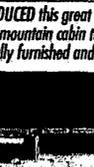
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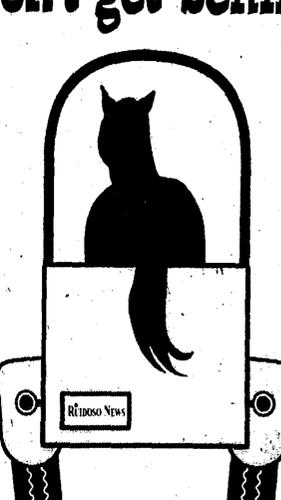
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278 AUCTIONS

LARGE ANTIQUE ESTATE AUCTION
 Saturday, October 11th - 11 AM Sharp
 National Guard Armory
 1 West Earl Cummings Loop - Roswell, NM

This fabulous estate was unable to be held from its present location. Therefore, it all will be moved to the Armory for your comfort & convenience. Over 300 items in all, along with numerous local consignments. All must be sold to the highest bidder & removed day of sale! So, bring your trucks & boxes! Partial list: fabulous 1890's lion headed tiger oak bonnet topped round glass china cabinet (a must see); heavily carved 10 pc. 1910's walnut dining room suite all burl (very large one of a kind); rare 5 pc. walnut inlaid bedroom suite includes fancy vanity with beveled mirrors & matching dresser; bed, large chest of drawers (mint); massively carved 8 ft. 4 in. court cupboard with carved winged griffins in the door, 1800's (must see); Governor's Winthrop bookcase secretary's desk; 5 stack lawyers bookcase; several others: fancy occasional tables; marble top tables; two unusual china cabinets: fancy walnut cedar chest; others: heavily carved sofa with tapestry cover; very unusual walnut wardrobe; cedar wardrobe; several fancy dressers & vanities; heavily carved walnut buffet; massive inlaid marble topped Bombay sided hall chest; 7 ft. tall oak hall seat with beveled mirror (a must see); cast iron & wicker wine rack; extremely 1890's fancy oak Singer sewing machine & so much more in furniture! Glassware & more list: large stained glass windows in mahogany floor frame & beveled glass & jewels (just the best you'll see); 6 other smaller stained glass windows; large leaded stained glass floor lamp with mosaic base (truly the best); several other leaded glass table lamps; two 1890's fancy oak frame pictures, one of Abe Lincoln; numerous prints; mirrors; jewelry; hats; purses; 4 large cowboy bronze statues by Frederic Remington; 4 1/2 tall bronze Victorian lady; life-size bronze eagle with great detailing; R.S. Prussia bowl; Limoges tea set; 26 pieces of fine cut crystal; several pieces of Vaseline glass; copodimonte; large wall hanging clock; several other clocks such as Seth Thomas, Sessions; fabulous cut crystal bedroom lamp; 9" by 12" handmade wool rug (beautiful colors); 1880's wavecrest jewel box; 1890's amethyst Carnival glass lemonade set; coins; picture & bowl set; ruby glass; 100's more in glassware!

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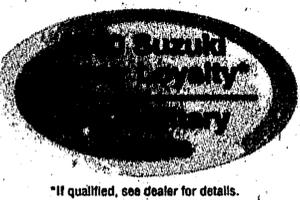
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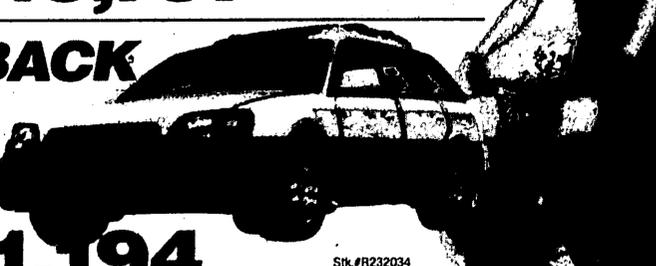
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Plaintiffs,
V.
No. CV-03-170 Div. III

GROUP I:
THE ESTATE OF I. N. WINGFIELD, AKA IKE N. WINGFIELD, AND ITS UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND ASSIGNS, AND THE ESTATE OF LULA WINGFIELD, AND HER UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND ASSIGNS, AND

GROUP II
JOHN DOES 1 THROUGH 100 and their UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND ASSIGNS; and

GROUP III
ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS OF INTEREST IN THE PREMISES ADVERSE TO THE PLAINTIFFS,

Defendants.
NOTICE OF PENDENCY SUIT

TO THE FOLLOWING NAMED DEFENDANTS AGAINST WHOM CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE IS HEREBY SOUGHT TO BE OBTAINED

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ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS OF INTEREST IN THE PREMISES ADVERSE TO THE PLAINTIFFS,

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Plaintiffs have filed an Amended Complaint to Quiet Title in the above captioned cause wherein you are named as the Defendants.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the general object of this action is to quiet title to real property, as more particularly set forth in the Amended Complaint on file in the above-captioned cause.

LEGAL NOTICES

The Plaintiffs attorney is Lee Griffin, Lee Griffin & Associates, P.C., 1098 Mechem Drive, Suite 102, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that if you intend to contest this suit, you must respond to the Complaint on or before October 30, 2003, being 20 days from the last date of publication of this Notice.

WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court this 12th day of September, 2003

JAN PERRY CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT
/s/Elizabeth Ysasi Deputy

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DISTRICT COURT
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ALTO LAKES GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB, INC., a New Mexico corporation,
Plaintiff;
vs.
LAKESIDE CORPORATION, a New Mexico corporation, and All Unknown Claimants of Interest in the Premises Adverse to Plaintiffs,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT

TO: LAKESIDE CORPORATION AND THE UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS OF INTEREST IN THE PREMISES ADVERSE TO PLAINTIFF

GREETINGS:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that there has been filed in the District Court of Lincoln County, State of New Mexico, a certain cause of action wherein Alto Lakes Golf & Country Club, Inc. is the Plaintiff and you are the Defendants, the same being Cause No. CV-191, Division III.

The object and purpose of the said suit is to quiet title of the following described real property in the name of the Plaintiff: Lots 194 and 204, DEER PARK VALLEY Subdivision, Unit 8, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk and Ex-officio Recorder of Lincoln County, New Mexico on April 17, 1981, in Cabinet D, Slide Nos. 7 thru 10, both inclusive; and, Lot 33, DEER PARK VALLEY Subdivision, Unit 1, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk and Ex-officio Recorder of Lincoln County on April 17, 1981 in Cabinet D, Slide Nos, 7 thru 10.

You are notified that unless you enter your appearance or file pleadings herein on or before November 20, 2003, the Plaintiff will make application to the Court for a Decree by Default, and Decree by Default will be rendered against you as prayed for in the complaint. The name of the Plaintiff's attorney is Richard A. Hawthorne, P.A., and whose address is 1221 Mechem, Suite 2, Ruidoso, New Mexico, 88345.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico this 15th day of September 2003.

In Next Week's American Profile...



The man behind curly maple

Mike Hill is a hunter of sorts. For twelve years now, he has combed more than half a dozen states looking for the elusive curly maple tree that Gibson guitars uses for its premium guitars. Plus, Halloween treats and banana cake once again.

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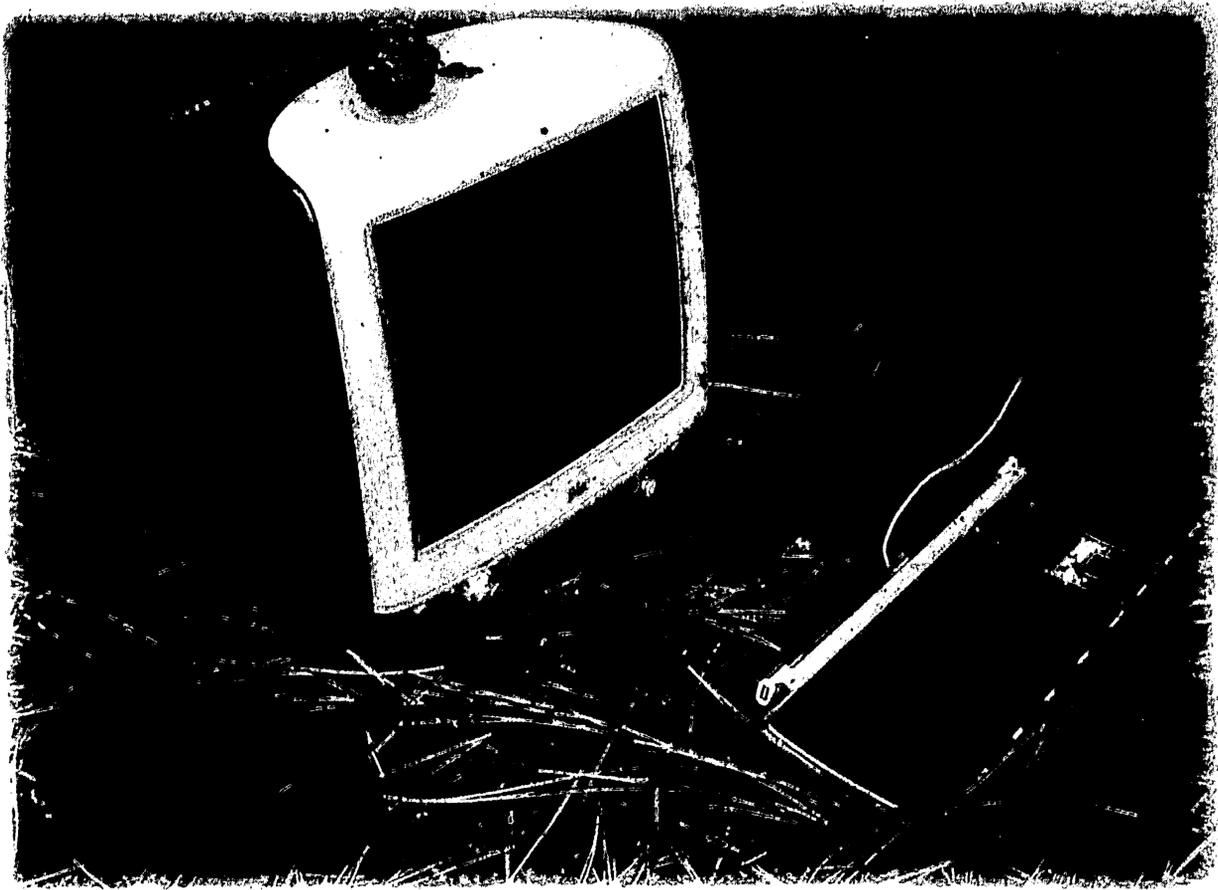



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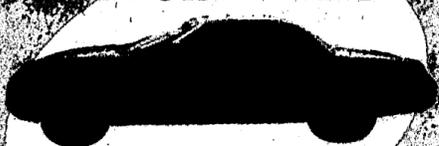
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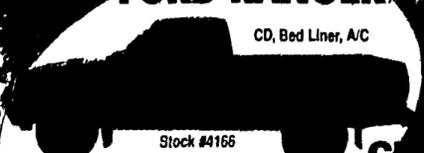
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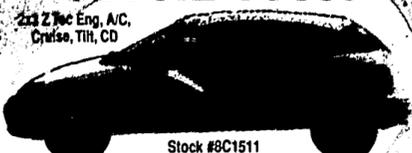
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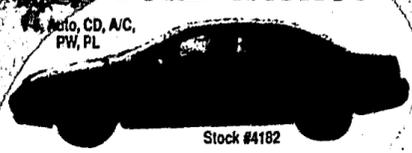
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COURTESY

The Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium is this weekend at Ruidoso Downs Race Track, with plenty of good country food, fun and music to enjoy. For a full story, see page 3.

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BY SANDY SUGGITT
VAMONOS EDITOR

It's cowboy time again at the Ruidoso Downs Racetrack, and the biggest Western event is under way.

The music and fun continue all weekend, concluding Sunday with music until 2 p.m.

The theme this year is "Cowboys of the Silver Screen," and Dale Robertson, Dean Smith and Alex Cord "will share their experiences and their knowledge of Hollywood and the growth and building of the old Western movies that were so popular from

the '30s into the '60s," said John Jeffers, director of marketing and development for the Hubbard Museum of the American West.

On two occasions, the Western actors will entertain questions from the public and will just spin yarns and talk about the good ol' days.

If you go

what: Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium

when: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Sunday

where: Ruidoso Downs Race Track, off U.S. 70 in Ruidoso Downs

It's hard to calculate exactly how many people will participate in the Cowboy Symposium, but easily 400 or 500 are likely. This includes many of the chuckwagon crews competing in the 2003 Chuckwagon Cookoff, plus entertainers, side musicians, several hundred vendors, and the lighting crew and people who put up the tents and put the whole thing together, a year-long endeavor.

The original idea came from well-known Ruidoso Downs character Ray Reed, who took his idea to R.D. Hubbard. Together they hatched the concept, and Hubbard and oil man R.O. Anderson were early benefactors, Jeffers said.

The event has grown, and between 20,000 and 24,000 visitors from all over the U.S., Canada and Europe are expected this year, he said. Grindstone Graphics, for its contract with the village of Ruidoso, put together a program called Balloons and Boots, a group tour for writers and photographers from all over the world who will fly into Albuquerque, attend the balloon festival there and then come to the Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium for the boots part of the tour.

New this year is a competition put on by the Cowboy Mounted Shooting Association, with the state chapter, the Gila

Symposium Info

Aside from the concert that starts at 7 p.m. Thursday, hours for the symposium are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday.

Tickets can be purchased at the ticket windows at the race track. Chuckwagon tickets have been sold out for weeks, but daily admission tickets for Friday and Saturday are \$10 per person for members of the Hubbard Museum, and \$15 for nonmembers, and admission Sunday is free. Thursday's concert is \$30 per person, and Friday and Saturday dances are \$15 each.

Members package includes daily admission tickets, two dance tickets for \$60. Nonmember package is \$80.

For more information, call the Hubbard Museum of the American West at 378-4142 or visit www.hubbardmuseum.org.



DIANNE STALLINGS/STAFF

From biscuits to bands, the Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium has something for everyone — not just cowboys.

Shooters, putting on a circuit shoot for cowboys and cowgirls to display horsemanship and shooting skills.

The New Mexico Fiddle Kids are returning — accomplished musicians ranging in age from 6 to 18. This year, though, they'll be performing on the main stage because they've become so popular they've earned the move from the children's stage to the main stage, Jeffers said.

Also new this year is the Western history storytelling of Drew Gomber, historian, author and authority on the good guys and bad guys of the American West and Lincoln County in particular.

Kids' rodeo events take place in the Winners Circle from 1:30-3:30 p.m. Saturday, with registration from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Events include barrel racing, roping, scramble, goat roping and pole bending. (No registration fee.)

Betty's Barrel Racing Border Collies will dress up, teeter totter and play tennis, Escaramuza, a traditional Mexican mounted performance group of young adults will show their vaquero heritage, and an all-female mounted drill team, the Prairie Dusters from Kansas, will demonstrate why they're the official color guard for Kansas' Biggest Rodeo.

Many vendors will be set up to sell Western art, jewelry, saddles and tack, boots, clothing, knives, collectibles, furniture and much, much more.



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Saturday, Oct. 11

Cowboy Symposium

Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium at the Ruidoso Downs Race Track and Casino, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. See Oct. 10 for ticket information.

Sunday, Oct. 12

Cowboy Symposium

Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium at the Ruidoso Downs Race Track and Casino, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. See Oct. 10 for ticket information.

Monday, Oct. 13

Tour of Hope

Lance Armstrong's cancer survivors' Tour of Hope will pass through Lincoln County on Highway 380 between 4 and 7:30 a.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 14

Village meetings

- Waste Water Treatment Plant Joint Use Board meeting, 10 a.m., Ruidoso Village Hall
- Ruidoso Village Council meeting, 6 p.m., Ruidoso Village Hall

Wednesday, Oct. 15

Parks and Rec meeting

Parks and Recreation meeting, 6:30 p.m., Ruidoso Village Hall

Thursday, Oct. 16

Lodgers tax meeting

Lodgers Tax Committee meeting, 2:30 p.m., Ruidoso Village Hall

Business After Hours

Business After Hours, 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Mitchell's, 2622 Sudderth Drive. Come and enjoy a Mexican Harvest Fiesta with food, beer, wine, mimosa and sangria. New pre-Christmas inventory, 10 percent off for locals.

Friday, Oct. 17

Oktoberfest

Ruidoso Oktoberfest, New Mexico's second largest Oktoberfest with German food, beers, wine, dancing, arts and crafts and a Kinderhall for children is from 5-11 p.m. at the Ruidoso Convention Center. Admission is \$6 for one day, \$10 for today and Oct. 18. Children under 18 free. Tickets sold at the door.

Coming soon

Low-cost mammograms

Altrusa low-cost mammograms for people age 30-64 at Lincoln County Medical Center, through Oct. 31. Call for appointments at 258-4210.

Author in town

Meet author Ellen M. Gilmore at Books Etcetera, 2-4 p.m. Oct. 18. She is author of *Deadline*.

Roswell arts classes

Roswell Museum and Art Center late-blooming classes: Kids ages 12-15 will learn several techniques to create their own books and journals Oct. 18. Adults can learn mosaic on Nov. 15 and 22 from Nancy Fleming. For information call (505) 624-6744, ext. 10. For scholarship information, call (505) 624-6744, ext. 22.

Space museum events

The New Mexico Museum of Space History in Alamogordo will honor the

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The museum opens at 9 a.m. and music lovers can enjoy a free concert on the patio beginning at 10 a.m. The museum staff and docents and the Girl Scouts will offer many activities and demonstrations throughout the museum and on the patio during the day.

Enjoy a "Two Buck, Two Buck" special at the Clyde W. Tombaugh IMAX® Dome Theater during the day. Admission is \$2 and \$2 will also buy a soft drink, popcorn and candy. "Space Station" will be shown hourly beginning at 11 a.m.

A free planetarium show on the history of flight is at 10 a.m., followed by a brief tour of the night sky in October. The International Space Hall of Fame will be open from 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

For more information, call (505) 437-2840 or (877) 333-6589.

Photo competition

The Fall American Photographic Competition is Oct. 27, co-sponsored by the Hubbard Museum of the American West and the Photographic Society of Lincoln County, held at the museum on Highway 70. For more information, call 378-4142.

Halloween party

Halloween Party at Smokey Bear Historical Park, 118 Smokey Bear Blvd., 5:30-7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 31. Refreshments, safe trick or treating.

Holiday bazaar

Holiday Bazaar will be at the Capitan Senior Citizen's Center Nov. 1 and 2. For information, call 354-2273.

Capitan lecture

Capitan Public Library's First Friday Adult Lecture Series will be at 7 p.m. Nov. 7. Freddie Romero, a Roswell attorney, will share his knowledge of the history of the Hispanic settlement of Southeast New Mexico and the history of the Kimbrell and Romero families.

Art workshop in Capitan

The art workshop at Capitan Public Library for October is from 9 a.m. to noon Oct. 25, on storytelling, by Nisha Hoffman. Learn what to tell, when to tell, where to tell and maybe a little bit in the how-to department. Supplies are provided.

Call for artists

The sixth annual premier MasterWorks of New Mexico juried art show at Expo New Mexico (State Fairgrounds), Albuquerque in the Hispanic Arts Center opens with a preview reception and awards ceremony from 5-8 p.m. April 2; an open house for artists and public from noon to 4 p.m. April 17, and the show will hang through April 30.

Four separately juried shows are open to any artist residing in New Mexico, and co-sponsored by the Pastel Society of New Mexico, the New Mexico Watercolor Society, the Rio Grande Arts Association and "Miniature Arts Bardean."

Jurors for the Pastel, Watercolor and Oils and Acrylics shows are architect/urban planner Steve Borbas; artist/teacher Robert Kuester, artist/gallery owner/teacher Lee Rommel, and artist Colin Poole. Southwest artist Morris Rippel is the judge. Slides for these shows are to be received by Jan. 30, 2004. An artist may enter one or all shows. Jury notification will be mailed by Feb. 27, and juried works should be received by May 27. For a prospectus and information, contact Lynda Burch at (505) 856-0195 (watercolors), Ben Nurry at (505) 275-1468 (pastels), or Pat Thompson at (505) 291-1618 (oils, acrylics).

Jurors for the Miniature Show are curator of Jonson Gallery, UNM Chip Ware, director of *Art in the Schools* Sara Otto-Diniz, an artist/photographer George Hight. Painter/sculptor Betty Sabo is the judge. Actual works (no slides) are to be received by March 27, 2004. For a prospectus and information, contact Barbara Lohbeck at (505) 260-9977 or Bardean@aol.com.

Eklund featured at chamber

The Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce artist for the month of October through Nov. 15 is Gary Eklund from Carrizozo. His style pays tribute to American artists and history from 1820 through the 1970s. His work on paper with pen and ink falls between realism and caricature, with great attention to detail, expressing compassion, humor, social commentary and great energy.

Eklund has exhibited in more than 40 states and 200 juried shows. He is a signature member of the Georgia Watercolor Society, the Texas Watercolor Society and the Watercolor USA Honor Society. Winner of the Grumbacher Gold Medallian, he is also featured in the winter 2000 issue of



COURTESY GARY EKLUND

Gary Eklund's "Juke Joint Jam."

Watercolor Magic Magazine, "The 26 Best Watermedia Paintings of 1999." His traveling solo exhibition "Celebrating the American Way" received rave reviews at many prestigious art centers and museums over the last few years.

Cowboy days Oct. 18-19 in Cruces

The New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum's Cowboy Days in Las Cruces is set for Oct. 18 and 19.

A number of Academy of Western Artists members and a couple of this year's AWA award winners, Kip Calahan and Royal Wade Kimes, will be present for this fifth annual event.

The museum is a working farm and ranch, with active chuckwagon and blacksmithing on a daily basis.

Activities during Cowboy Days include pony rides, demonstrations for children and adults and entertainment including Ted Scanlon and the

Desperados, Royal Wade Kimes, Kip Calahan, Cactus Chris Buethe, Ray Owens, Dean Foster, Andy Hedges, Ann Sochet, Bud Strom, Kata Hay, Glenn Moreland and Washtub Jerry, Charlie LeSueur, Tiffany Jo Allen, The Buckaretttes, Rooster Morris and Hank the Dog.

Joe Baker from MTD Radio in Ruidoso and Cowgirl Poet Ann Sochat from Canatillo will be masters of ceremonies.

For more information, contact Baker at newmexicobear@zianet.com or Celina Garcia at crobets@frh.state.nm.us.

WELCOME ON WHEELS



SANDY SUGGITT/STAFF

Capitan Elementary School children created this banner to salute Lance Armstrong's bicycling Tour of Hope for cancer survivors, which will be passing through Lincoln County some time between 4 a.m. and 7:30 a.m. Oct. 13. More signs will be placed on a fence on Highway 380 by the high school with the banner. Shown here is a third-grade class.

THIS WEEK'S MOVIES

Intolerable Cruelty

Comedy and Romance, 1 hr. 40 min.
Rated PG-13 for sexual content, language and brief violence.

A slick Beverly Hills divorce lawyer (Clooney) frames the wife (Zeta-Jones) of a client to get him released from the marriage without a settlement. She vows to get revenge by marrying the attorney, aiming to take him to the cleaners in their own savage divorce, but what she doesn't expect is that she falls in love with him in the process.

Starring: George Clooney, Catherine Zeta-Jones, Cedric the Entertainer, Geoffrey Rush, Billy Bob Thornton
Directed by: Joel Coen
Produced by: Brian Grazer, James Jacks, Sean Daniel, Ethan Coen
Showtimes: 2 p.m., 5 p.m., 7 p.m., 9:30 p.m.
*Friday through Sunday only

The School of Rock

Comedy and Musical/Performing Arts, 1 hr. 48 min.
Rated PG-13 for some rude humor and drug references.

Fired from his band, rock guitarist and vocalist Dewey Finn (Black) takes a job as a 4th grade substitute teacher at an uptight private school where his free livin' lifestyle, attitude, music and antics soon influences the students to explore other sides of themselves the school doesn't encourage. Finn's real goal in taking the job is to recruit a 9-year-old guitar prodigy, Yuki, to become the lead guitarist in a band that would be able to win a "battle of bands," solving Finn's money problems and re-establishing him as a respected rocker.

Starring: Jack Black, Joan Cusack, Sarah Silverman, Mike White, Joey Gaydes
Directed by: Richard Linklater
Produced by: Steve Nicolaidis,



COURTESY

Joey Gaydos Jr., Kevin Clark, Jack Black and Rebecca Brown in Paramount's The School of Rock.

Scott Rudin
Showtimes: 1:30 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 6:45 p.m., 9:15 p.m.
*Friday through Sunday only

Out of Time

Crime/Gangster, Romance and Thriller, 1 hr. 45 min.
Rated PG-13 for sexual content, violence and some language.

When the police chief (Washington) of a small Florida town "borrows" money from the evidence room so he can run away with a woman (Lathan) he's always been in love with, she quickly betrays him, revealing that she only began having an affair with him as a way to seek revenge... Now, with his reputation and career on the line, an otherwise good cop must resolve his life before he runs out of time.

Starring: Denzel Washington, Sanaa Lathan, Eva Mendes, Dean Cain, John Billingsley
Directed by: Carl Franklin
Produced by: Neal H Moritz, Jesse

Secondhand Lions

Drama, 1 hr. 51 min.
Rated PG for thematic material, language and action violence.

Set in 1960s Texas, this is the story of a timid teenager, Walter (Osment), forced to spend the summer by his irresponsible mother (Sedgwick) with his eccentric (and recently rich) great-uncles (Caine and Duvall) on their farm, as he learns more about their mysterious and dangerous pasts, which we see as flashbacks.

Starring: Haley Joel Osment, Michael Caine, Robert Duvall, Kyra Sedgwick, Nicky Katt
Directed by: Tim McCanlies
Produced by: David Kirschner, Scott Ross, Corey Sienege
Showtimes: 4 p.m., 9 p.m.
*Friday through Sunday only

Plenty to learn from books, but plumbers still necessary

Art, Craft and Such

Practical, creative ways to include fun in everyday living

by Polly E. Chavez



"Splish-splash," I happily recalled the words of a '50s song as I finished my lukewarm tub bath.

Later as I walked down my carpeted hallway, my slippers made a suspicious "squish, squish" noise.

"Oh no! Water is coming out of the water heater closet!"

What a way to start a morning! I made arrangements with the plumber to take care of the situation. To keep my mind off the household predicament I buried my head in reading material - books, magazines, newspapers and catalogs. Reading is what I do to relax and travel the world over.

My "Books By Mail" fall 2003 catalog from the New Mexico State Library caught my attention. There are books on home repairs, but I better not cancel that plumber. I do not want to install the new water heater. One sure does appreciate a hot water heater when it is on the blink! You have to be very creative to take a tub bath with only 3 pans of hot water, which are heated on the stove burners. Washing clothes no longer takes priority. I quickly learned to lick my soup spoon when I am ready for dessert. The books on hobbies and crafts will keep my mind off household casualties.

What a delight to peruse through the

Books By Mail catalog! The selection is great. There are Spanish language books, large print books, and newly released titles. There are books on adventure, antiques, collectibles, biography, autobiography, cooking, current events, family/marriage, fantasy, general fiction, health/diet/exercise, historical fiction, history, home decorating, holiday, horror and humor. The selections include mystery, psychology/self help, reference/foreign languages, romance, science fiction, suspense, crime, and western. There are books for juveniles and preschool.

Jackie's Shaw's "Complete Painting course: A Beginner's Guide to Color and Composition" takes budding artists from the basics of materials, color theory, and design to the creativity of painting with step-by-step instruction in painting principles and techniques. The book includes worksheets, shading, and lots of color photographs and illustrations.

With the holidays just around the corner, I'll need books for America's second-most decorated holiday - Halloween. Detailed instructions for costumes, food treats and decorations are "spooktacular." There's the big event: Christmas. I order books by mail for classic Christmas crafts and recipes. There are plenty of ideas for unusual gifts, decorations and holiday baking.

If you are not aware of "Books By Mail" call (800) 395-9144 and they will tell you all about this program. The Rural Bookmobile-East serves Lincoln, Chaves, Curry, De Baca, Eddy, Guadalupe, Harding, Quay, Roosevelt and San Miguel counties. Other bookmobiles head west, northeast and southwest. The bookmobiles and "Books By Mail" are a part of the Rural Services Program. For information from the New Mexico State Library visit the web site at www.stlib.state.nm.us.

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John Shanssey: Obscure but not forgotten

Past Tense

by Drew Gomber
Historian, The Hubbard Museum of the American West

John Shanssey is a barely familiar name even to historians. But he was responsible for one of the most famous friendships in the Old West, and, at one point or another, rubbed elbows with many other famous Westerners.



John Shanssey was born in 1849 or 1850 in either Maryland or New York. His real name was probably Shaugnassy or something like it, but in the innovative way that people had of spelling in those days, it was reduced to the simpler "Shanssey." By 1867, the big, burly teenager was working with the construction crews laying track for the Union Pacific west from Omaha and eventually to Promontory Point, Utah.

However, the wild "end-of-track" towns that sprang up all along the line held infinitely more appeal for the young Irishman than the back-breaking labor of being a gandy dancer. More and more, he spent his time gambling, working as a bouncer and tending bar. And it was his talents as a bouncer that led to him becoming a professional prizefighter.

Remember, in those days, being a pugilist was very different from today. For starters, they didn't use gloves. Bare-knuckle boxing was eventually outlawed for its brutality, but in Shanssey's time, it was all the rage. It was not uncommon for

prizefighters to be blinded or even killed in contests that frequently went over 100 rounds. In those days, things like butting and eye-gouging were actually *allowed*.

Fights that were won by decision were rare. They usually went on until one fighter or the other was down.

Mike Donovan

In the film "Wyatt Earp," Kevin Costner, in the title role, is shown refereeing a fight in which Shanssey is a participant. Earp didn't really referee it, but the fight really did happen on July 4, 1869, at Cheyenne, Wyoming. Mike Donovan, who would eventually become President Teddy Roosevelt's personal boxing instructor and who was also destined to become American middleweight champion, beat Shanssey mercilessly. So mercilessly, in fact, that when it was over, Shanssey quit the ring forever.

But John Shanssey had already found his niche, and it wasn't as a prizefighter. It was as a sporting man, or gambler. In the early 1870s, Shanssey operated a saloon in Fort Worth; in 1875 in Jacksboro, Texas, and in 1876, he was running yet another saloon in the wild and tough town of Fort Griffin, center of the buffalo hunting trade.

At Fort Griffin, John's place was called the Bee Hive, and he had this memorable sign painted over the door: "Within the hive, we are alive; Good whiskey makes us funny. Get your horse tied, come inside and taste the flavor of our honey."

Shanssey also had an interest in Fort Griffin's Cattle Exchange Saloon, and it was there that he introduced two men whose remarkable friendship is still spoken of today.

Old friends and new friends

Wyatt Earp spent much of his time bounty hunting. And, after he left his position as Dodge City's assistant marshal, he

elected to go in pursuit of Dave Rudabaugh, a train robber and all-around badman. Rudabaugh's trail led through Fort Griffin and in the Cattle Exchange Saloon, Wyatt noticed old acquaintance John Shanssey. When Earp asked about Rudabaugh's whereabouts, Shanssey replied that he did not know, but recommended that Wyatt ask Doc Holliday about it, as Holliday hated Rudabaugh (Got to agree with Doc on this one — Rudabaugh was as nasty as they come. He would later become known as the only man to make Billy the Kid nervous).

Wyatt was a bit put off by the suggestion, as Doc's reputation had preceded him. "He's the killer isn't he?" asked Earp, and Shanssey in that way that the old timers had of understating things, replied simply that "He's killed some..."

Of course, the friendship between Wyatt Earp and Doc Holliday is one of the most famous to ever come out of western history. They, as we all know, carved their own dramatic niche, but our story is about John Shanssey, so, at this point, we'll leave Wyatt and Doc to follow their individual destinies.

Shanssey had been doing pretty well with his various enterprises, but then love reared its ugly head, and things changed.

Lottie Deno

She was stunningly beautiful. She was no "soiled dove" — nor was she employed in any of the other (decidedly few) professions open to women in those days. Lottie Deno was a gambler — and a very, very good one.

The day that auburn-haired, classy Lottie stepped off the Jacksboro stage and announced to the dumbfounded male population that she wanted to run a faro game, John Shanssey couldn't offer his establishment quickly enough. Lottie would have turned heads virtually any-

where, but in Fort Griffin, she was practically a sideshow in herself.

She was a true Woman of Mystery, too. No one had the slightest idea where she had learned to gamble as expertly as she did, and her courtly southern manners stood in stark contrast to much of her surroundings. Gamblers, cowboys, filthy, greasy buffalo hunters — virtually everyone — stood in line for a chance to play with Lottie Deno. And she was such a good gambler that the men began referring to her as "Lotta Dinero."

It was clear to everyone that, of all the heads Lottie had turned, John Shanssey's seemed to be on a swivel. First, as previously stated, he employed her. Then he found her a place to live. It wasn't long before it became common knowledge that she was Shanssey's mistress.

Johnny Golden

But then a fly entered the ointment. And that fly's name was Johnny Golden. The first time Lottie saw Golden, upon his arrival in Fort Griffin, she was visibly shaken. When Shanssey and other concerned friends questioned her, she confessed that Golden was actually her lawful husband and that she had left him to escape his abuse. Now, he wanted her back, and didn't much care one way or the other how she felt about it.

Well, John Shanssey was a popular and influential man in Fort Griffin. On the night of July 20, 1877, Marshal Bill Gilson and his deputy Jim Draper took Golden into custody on a trumped up charge and marched him off into the night. A few moments after they had disappeared from view, shots resonated in the darkness, and Johnny Golden was no more.

However, the killing backfired on Shanssey. According to a mutual friend of

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Cathi McIntosh

RHS teacher honored

A Ruidoso High School drama and dance teacher and theater instructor at Eastern New Mexico University-Ruidoso was selected as a recipient of a Citation for Meritorious Service to Dance Education in New Mexico.

Cathi McIntosh was informed this summer that the steering committee of the national Dance Education Organization Annual Conference selected her for this honor. The NDEO advances dance education centered in the arts and is the voice of

representation for the field in legislatures, schools of dance, pre-k to 12th grade schools and institutions of higher education throughout the country.

The NDEO will honor McIntosh's "extensive contributions and dedication to dance education in New Mexico" during a reception Oct. 16 in the New Mexico Ballroom of the Albuquerque Hilton. James Moy, dean of the College of Fine Arts at the University of New Mexico, will present the citation to McIntosh.

GOMBER: Unfamiliar but important

Continued from page 6

both Shanssey and Lottie, "She seemed in a way to blame herself for his (Golden's) death and was inconsolable. She gave me the money to pay all his funeral expenses, which amounted to about 65 dollars, for a coffin and trimmings and a new suit of clothes... Lottie remained in her room as the hack carrying the remains was driven out to the cemetery..."

Shortly thereafter, Lottie didn't show up one night at her faro table. When Shanssey and the sheriff went to her room, they found a note: "Sell this outfit and give the money to someone in need of assistance." She had walked a mile or so out of town and caught the Fort Concho stage. John Shanssey never saw her again.

Lottie-less

Without his beloved Lottie, Fort Griffin no longer held any charm for John Shanssey. On January 4, 1879, the Fort Griffin Echo informed its readers that "John Shanssey has moved to Palo Pinto where he will open a first class saloon." Soon, ads began appearing touting Shanssey's new place in Palo Pinto, also named the Cattle Exchange.

Time heals all wounds, though, and it seems that after Lottie, John wasn't so heartbroken that he didn't find someone else. It wasn't long before he was associated with Nell St. Clair, described as a "sporting woman." This could mean a number of things. She could have been a gambler like Lottie, which she probably was, but in Nell's case, she also made a few bucks working at "the oldest profession."

One night in 1881, Jeff Milton, later to achieve his own niche as a tough lawman, strolled into Shanssey's saloon, this time in Abilene, and up to John's faro table. "Where do you want it played?" asked Shanssey, and when Milton replied that he didn't know, Shanssey peered at him

closely. After questioning the 19-year-old Ranger, Shanssey determined that the young man had no experience gambling, and to his credit, refused to let Milton play.

Apparently, Milton impressed Shanssey, because in May of that year, when Jeff killed a man in a gunfight at Colorado City, Shanssey helped him make bond.

J. Wright Moorar, a buffalo hunter who, by his own account, seems to have, at some point or other, met virtually every man, woman and child on the frontier, liked Shanssey, but had no use for Nell St. Clair. He claimed that she had at least a dozen men killed in her time, but John Shanssey was not one of them. Nell, unlike Lottie, stayed with Shanssey and was still with him when he settled in Yuma around the turn of the century. But it was also about then that Nell, too, headed for greener pastures — or at least different climes.

Which was just as well, because shortly thereafter, John met and married Catherine O'Connor, probably the most respectable woman he had ever known. Shanssey served three terms as mayor of Yuma, the last ending in 1910.

The end

In 1917, John Shanssey was incapacitated, probably by diabetes. When his leg began to get gangrene, he was rushed to the Clara Barton Hospital in Los Angeles, where he died on August 21, 1917.

He had lived in some of the toughest towns on the frontier and like many other historically anonymous — as well as famous — frontiersmen, he eventually settled into respectability. So much so, when he was laid to rest in Yuma, the county courthouse closed in his honor.

Not all of the wild and adventurous lives in the west were led by famous people. John Shanssey was proof of that. While he himself never really did anything of historical note, he was witness to many events that are remembered by history, and, if not for Shanssey, a certain tubercu-

lar dentist might never have met a tall, quiet, gambler/lawman named Earp.

Sources: John Shanssey: *From Prize Ring to Politics* by R.K. DeArment; *The Encyclopedia of Western Gunfighters* by Bill O'Neal; *Wyatt Earp: Frontier Marshal* by Stuart Lake, and *The Encyclopedia of Western Outlaws and Lawmen* by Leon Metz.

HI-HO, SILVER!



SANDY SUGGITT/STAFF

Who IS this masked man?! Maybe you'll find out when the Ruidoso High School drama classes present "How the West Was Dun," a supper and show Nov. 7 and a show without supper Nov. 8. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for students for the show, and \$16 for the supper and show. Tickets go on sale at the high school Oct. 15.

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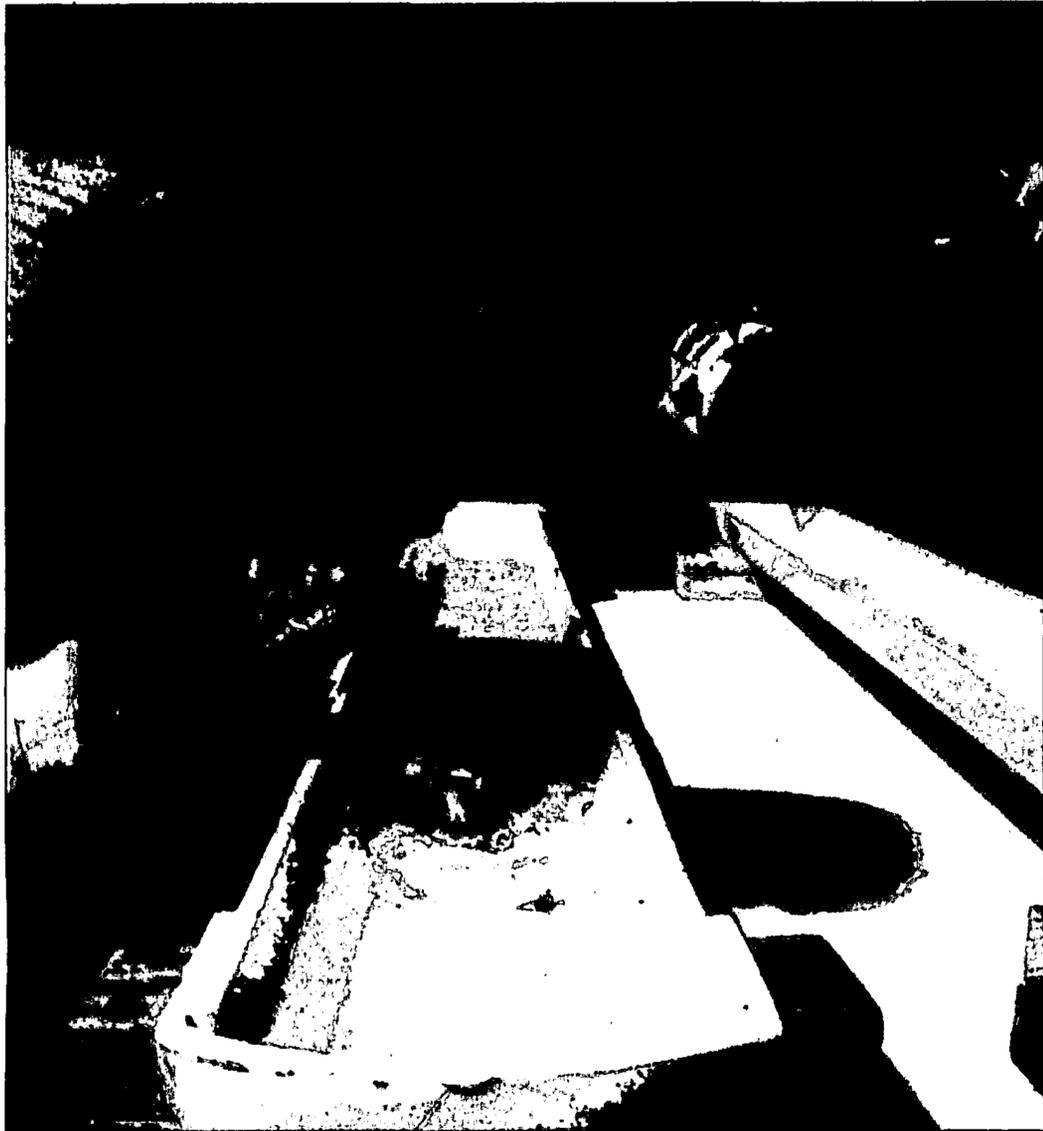
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Aspenfest 2003: Cars



DAVE PRICE/STAFF

Clockwise from above, Nancy Feagin of San Antonio, Texas, puts a goldfish through its paces at the New Mexico State Open Chili Cookoff. Contesting Feagin in the race, in which participants blow through a straw to prod the swimmer to the finish line first, was Dan Harrison. Below, Lexie Doth worked as a little pistachio vendor at the arts and crafts fair, offering potential customers samples of variously flavored pistachios.



SANDY SUGGITT/STAFF

The Aspenfest Arts & Crafts Show (below) was a lively place for adults and children — with tattooing, jumping and crafts activities for children outside and boot with something for everyone inside.

Sponsored by the Ruidoso Gymnastics Association, this is the major fundraiser that pays for building and equipment expenses for about 115 young gymnasts, with the food concessions run by the boosters help with meet expenses. Final figures of the funds raised at this year's Arts & Crafts Show weren't available at *Vámonos* print time.

The New Mexico State Open Chili Cookoff (left) featured a bevy of events,



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Alex Weaver, 11, installs a temporary tattoo above on the arm of Jasmin Samaniego, 7, of El Paso, Texas, as part of the Aspenfest Arts and Crafts Show. Vendor Jo Perryman, below, talks to 4-month-old Kylea Spurlock and her aunt, Kristi Meunier.



S, cooks and cats in hats

including goldfish races where participants blew through straws to encourage their swimmers toward the finish line. Other events included the musical stylings of the Surf Chili team from Elephant Butte and, of course, a the tasting of a few spicy dishes.

Classic old cars with shiny new paint seemed to stretch for miles at the Rod Run to Ruidoso Downs (below) last weekend. In all 411 cars entered the show and car owners and gawking tourists alike seemed pleased with view. Television personality Dennis Gage videotaped his "My Classic Car" show and signed autographs, sleeping babies were wheeled around so parents could look at the cars and everybody seemed to have a good time.

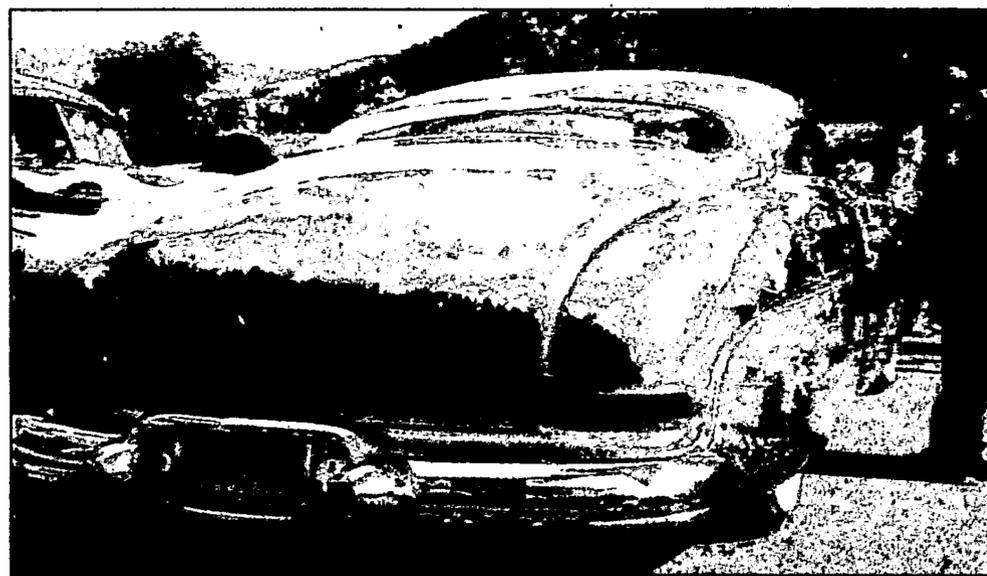
Another local favorite, the annual Aspenfest parade (right), marched through midtown Saturday morning with a theme of "Ruidoso - Way Off Broadway." Viewers lined Sudderth Drive to watch bands, stagecoaches and floats go past.



DIANNE STALLINGS/STAFF

Clockwise from left, This "kandy purple" 1950 Caddy was driven by Mike Mauldin from El Paso, Texas. A member of the El Paso Early Times street Rod Association, Mauldin has been coming to the Rod Run To Ruidoso Downs since its start 16 years ago, and was one of the original organizers. Dr. Seuss' Cat in the Hat waves to the crowd from a stagecoach during Saturday's Aspenfest parade. This "kandy tangerine" 1950 Ford Mercury was built by Lil John Harvey, who built five cars at this year's rod run, three of which won trophies. John Juarez of Plainview, Texas, waves from inside his 1927 Model T Roadster. "I drove 250 miles in this," he said. "Feels like a million with an open top and the rain coming down."

PHOTOS BY SANDY SUGGITT/STAFF



Fall celebration brings taste of German

The changing colors of fall are now visible throughout the mountains of New Mexico. The cooler nights and warm days that herald the golden aspens are welcomed with a traditional German celebration in Ruidoso. The 22nd Annual Ruidoso Oktoberfest will be held October 17 and 18 at the Ruidoso Convention Center.

If you go

what: Ruidoso Oktoberfest

when: Friday and Saturday, Oct. 17-18

where: Ruidoso Convention Center, 111 Sierra Blanca Drive

cost: Tickets are \$6 for one day or \$10 for two days and are sold at the door. Children 18 and under are free.

band to the Ruidoso Oktoberfest fits well into the fall celebration. The world's first Oktoberfest was held in 1810 as a wedding celebration for Bavaria's King Ludwig I and Princess Therese of Saxony-Hildburghausen. It didn't take long for the fun-loving Bavarians to replace the horse races, agricultural shows and other distractions with a focus on great beer and food. The wedding reception was such a success that Ludwig issued a royal decree making October festival time in Munich, Germany. The festival was dedicated to the fall harvest and to the region's most famous product, beer. Tradesmen and merchants came from throughout

"We are really excited about Oktoberfest this year," said organizer Mark Doth. "This year we are bringing the Austrian national accordion champion to Ruidoso."

Billing themselves as Tauern x-Press, the duo has been playing together for many years. The addition of a true Austrian



COURTESY MARK DOTH

Oktoberfest is famous for the plentiful German food and drink offered, and Ruidoso's version, held Oct. 17-18, is no different.

Germany to join in the merry-making.

Although Ruidoso's Oktoberfest did not begin as a wedding reception, it has become a much-loved annual celebration.

In addition to Tauern x-Press, the Albuquerque bands Swingshift and Die Polka Schlingels will get the crowds dancing. Authentic folk dance troupes entertain the crowds when the live "oom pah pah" bands take a break. On tap for folk dancing are the Enzian Schuplattlers, D'Alpenlander Schuplattlers and the Hellenic Dancers.

A favorite of the kids, the "Kinderhall" offers games, prizes, and pumpkin painting for the kids. Throughout the hall are more than 40 arts and crafts booths featuring some terrific local and regional talents.

Oktoberfest purists shouldn't worry.

The libations that have made Oktoberfest famous the world over are in abundant supply at the Ruidoso event.

"We have plenty of imported German beer and authentic German food," Doth said. "We're known for the wonderful food and drink that our vendors provide. This is a really fun family celebration. You'll see kids aged 2 to 90 out there doing the chicken dance or the polka, and it's all for a good cause."

Proceeds from the Ruidoso Oktoberfest benefit a variety of Lincoln County charities.

The Ruidoso Oktoberfest is produced by Special Events Resource Group. SERG is a non-profit 501c3 New Mexico corporation formed with the purpose of providing funds to benefit legitimate and recognized charities and

Schedule of entertainment

Friday, October 17
5 to 6:30 p.m. - Swingshift
6:30 to 7 p.m. - Enzian Schuplattlers (troupe)
7 to 8:45 p.m. - Tauern x-Press
8:45 to 9:15 p.m. - D'Alpe Schuplattlers
9:15 to 11 p.m. - Die Polka Schlingel

Saturday, October 18
Noon to 1:30 p.m. - Die Polka Schlingel
1:30 to 1:45 p.m. - D'Alpe Schuplattlers
1:45 to 3:15 p.m. - Tauern x-Press
3:15 to 3:45 p.m. - Wedding Ceremony
3:45 to 4 p.m. - Enzian Schuplattlers (troupe)
4 to 5:30 p.m. - Swingshift
5:30 to 5:45 p.m. - The Hellenic Dancers
5:45 to 7:15 p.m. - Die Polka Schlingel
7:15 to 7:30 p.m. - D'Alpe Schuplattlers
7:30 to 9 p.m. - Tauern x-Press
9 to 9:15 p.m. - Enzian Schuplattlers (troupe)
9:15 to 9:30 p.m. - The Hellenic Dancers (dance troupe)
9:30 to 11 p.m. - Swingshift
Just For the Kids
Pumpkin Painting open to grades K-18; painting is open to the first 100 and prizes will be awarded. Pick up pumpkin in the Kinderhall area. Games and crafts available in the Kinderhall area.

to fund education scholarships for youth of Lincoln County.

Tickets to the Ruidoso Oktoberfest are \$6 per day or \$10 for two days. Children under 18 are free. Entertainment is from 5-11 p.m. Friday, Oct. 17, and 11 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 18. For information, call 257-6171 or toll-free (877) 877-9322, or visit the Ruidoso Oktoberfest Web site at www.trekwest.com/oktoberfest.

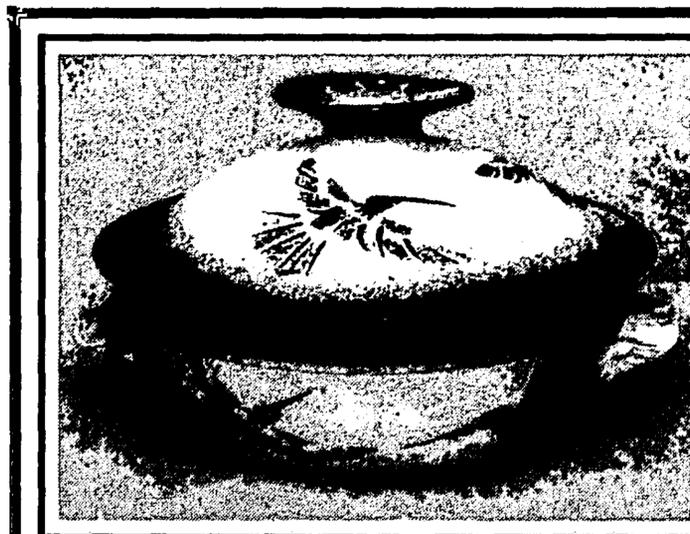
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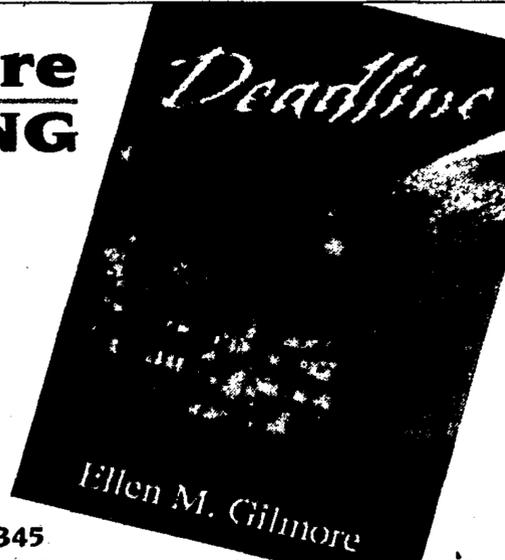
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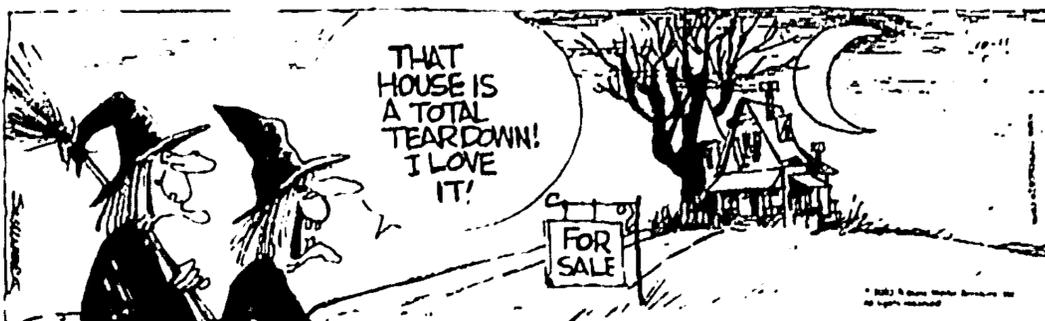
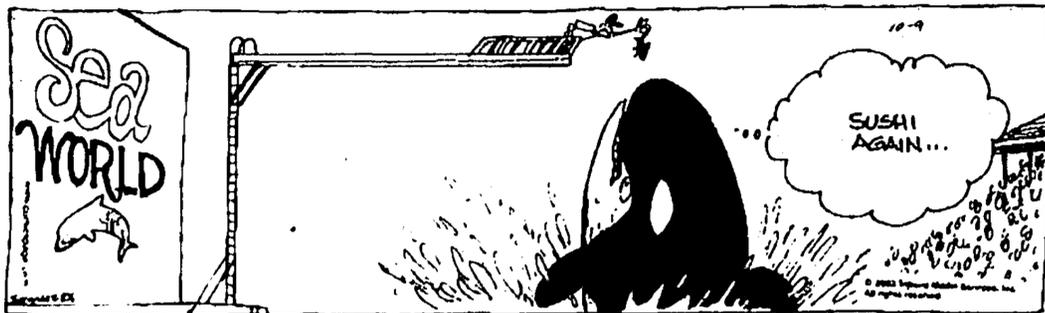
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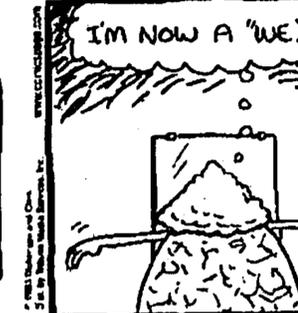
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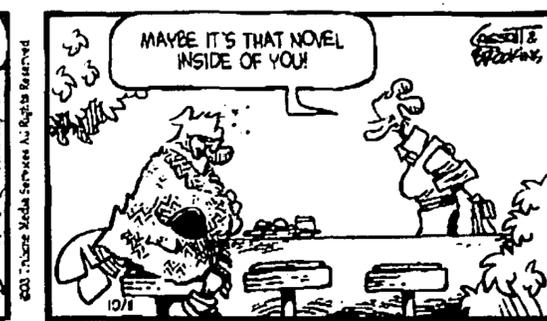
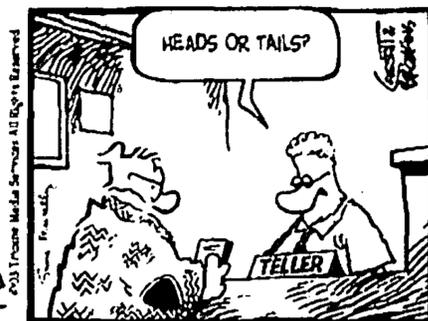
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Dave's World

by Dave Barry
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I've been writing columns for a long time now, two or three centuries at least. I've written on topics that touched a nerve among you readers — the moronic-TV-commercials nerve, the loud-cell-phone-talkers nerve, and of course the low-flow-toilet nerve. I even touched — and I regret this deeply — the Barry Manilow nerve.

But I've NEVER touched a nerve like the one I touched when I wrote about telemarketers.

To review: In August, I wrote a column about the National Do Not Call Registry, which allows you to go to an Internet site (www.donotcall.gov) and register your phone number. The plan is that most telemarketers would then be prohibited from calling you.

The Do Not Call Registry is wildly popular with the human public. More than 50 million households have signed

up. This displeases the telemarketing industry, which believes it has a constitutional right to call people who do not want to be called. Several telemarketing groups have filed lawsuits to block the registry.

So in my August column, I printed the toll-free telephone number of one of these groups, the American Teleservices Association. My thinking was: Hey, if the ATA feels its members have a constitutional right to call you, then surely the ATA feels that you have an equally constitutional right to call the ATA.

Well.

It turned out that a LOT of you were eager to call up the telemarketing industry. Thousands and thousands of you called the ATA. I found out about this when I saw an article in a direct-marking newspaper, the DM News, which quoted the executive director of the ATA, Tim Searcy. Here's an excerpt from the article: "The ATA received no warning about the article from Barry or anyone connected with him, Searcy said . . . the Barry column has had harmful consequences for the ATA, Searcy said. An ATA staffer has spent about five hours a day for the past six days monitoring the voice mail and clearing out messages."

That's correct: The ATA received NO WARNING that it was going to get unwanted calls! Not only that, but these

unwanted calls were an INCONVENIENCE for the ATA, and WASTED THE ATA'S TIME!

I just hope nobody interrupted the ATA's dinner.

Anyway, you can imagine how I felt. I would have called the ATA myself to express my feelings, but the ATA finally had to disconnect its phone number. Really.

I myself received approximately seven billion phone calls, letters and e-mails on this topic. About 99 percent came from consumers who are wildly enthusiastic about the idea of calling telemarketers. Many of these consumers wanted me to publish more telemarketers' numbers, including residential numbers. As one e-mailer put it: "I think we should call them at home and try to sell them the idea of not calling people at home."

The other 1 percent of the response came from people in the telemarketing industry, who pointed out that I am evil vermin scum, and — even worse — a member of the news media. Their main arguments are that (a) telemarketers are hard-working people, and (b) if they're not allowed to call people who don't want to be called, telemarketing jobs could be lost, and U.S. economy would suffer. Tim Searcy of the ATA was quoted in the Los Angeles Times as saying that the impact of the Do Not Call Registry would be (I did

not make this quote up) "like an asteroid hitting the earth." Yes, an asteroid.

As I write these words, lawyers, politicians and lobbyists and judges are swarming all over the telemarketing so I don't know what the legal status of the Do Not Call registry will be when you read this column. But it appears that telemarketers plan to continue their efforts to save the planet by fighting for the right to call people who do not want to be called.

I realize that this makes many of you angry. I realize that many of you would like to, once again, let the telemarketers know how you feel. And I am, frustrated, tempted to reveal to you here the names of the American Teleservices Association members (www.ataconnect.org) seems to be a phone line working (at least for now) at (317) 816-9336.

But would it be right to reveal the names, yes, you could call the ATA. But the ATA surely doesn't WANT you to call again. It's inconvenient! And on calling somebody who doesn't want to be called, even if you have the right to call well, that's just plain rude.

So I am taking the high road.

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One man's trash became artist's treasure

By JULIE CARTER
FOR VAMONOS

From a lump of clay he dug out of the trash, Sam Huston began digging out a talent he didn't know he had.

In the late '80s Huston was working as a carpenter in Las Cruces and riding bareback horses at rodeos. With little more than some high school pottery classes in his resume, he carved a bareback horse and rider out of some clay his roommate had tossed in the trash. He took it to Santa

Fe Bronze and that was his debut into the world of bronzed art.

Honing his craft while carving more rodeo action pieces from clay he could oven-fire at home, Huston sold those to pay his entry fees in the rodeos. Although he was carving and creating, what he calls his first real piece didn't come about until 1993. One year he was commissioned to make year-end awards for the New Mexico Rodeo Association's stock contractors.

Sculpting wasn't the only talent Huston honed throughout the 1980s. Some of his friends had a punching bag and gloves. Sparring with each other led to sparring with a Golden Gloves boxer who encouraged Huston to pursue the sport. In nine years of boxing, four amateur and five professional, Huston claimed four state and three regional championships. He also claimed three national titles and boxed in the U.S. Olympics against Scandinavia.

In 1996, after hearing an advertisement on the radio seeking state police officers, Huston entered the police academy. He's been an officer with the New Mexico State Police for six years.

"I'd never had thoughts of being a cop," Huston said. "But I wish I'd done it a long time ago. It's a good job and part of it is fun, part of it hectic and nerve wracking. I like enforcing the law."

Huston is known for his stern look and straight forward approach to his job. Perpetual rumors tell tales of the tickets he's given his wife, Gwen, and his responsibility in the suspension of his grandmother's driver's license. Although neither story is true and usually fueled by his

coworkers, Huston does carry of reputation of seeing the law in black-in-white terms. He likes to think of it as being consistent and not showing favoritism.

The Huston home, tucked in the hills above White Oaks, shows touches of Huston's skill with his hands. A wood-burning stove he welded and built stands in front of ceramic tiled walls he tiled. The out buildings were built by Huston, including the shop building he calls "the shed" where he does his sculpting. Other off-hour interests include hunting deer, antelope and elk with both a bow and a rifle.

Huston's bronze sculpting has evolved to a fine-tuned, detailed expression of

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Sam Huston creates the mold for one of his sculptures. The local artist has also been a professional boxer and police officer.

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Auction brings in \$32,000

BY SANDY SUGGITT
VAMONOS EDITOR

The Gala Auction Party for the Great Bear Hunt Oct. 4 was a success, bringing in \$32,150 from the sale of 22 of the 23 bears. Results are still out on the silent auction of art work by local artists, but about \$6,000 came in from 39 pieces of art, said Mary Lea Lane, arts coordinator for the Ruidoso Arts Commission.

This money plus whatever is left from the original sponsorships of the bears after expenses will go toward developing a cultural arts center in Ruidoso.

Many of the bears are staying in the area, Lane said, some of them at the locations they've spent the summer.

A few surprises occurred at the auction: A man telephoned from Minnesota and bid successfully

on a bear, and will take it to his home in Santa Fe. Another new bear owner from North Carolina called, found out how to look at the painted bears on the Web, called back and put in bids on three bears.

He ended up buying Bear Aspens, and the bear will go to live on his land north of Carrizozo.

Radio personality Tim Keithley acted as auctioneer and Ed Spurr, chairman of the arts commission, acted as his straight man and introduced the bears.

"We were thrilled and we thought it was a wonderful party," Lane said. "People seemed to thoroughly enjoy themselves."

Billy Bear was the only bear that wasn't auctioned off, she said, and anybody who wants him can buy him for \$1,000. For information about this, contact Lane at 258-4613.



SANDY SUGGITT/STAFF

Ed Spurr, left, chairman of the Ruidoso Arts Commission, and Tim Keithley auctioned off the painted bears of the Great Bear Hunt, a project by the arts commission to develop a cultural arts center in the area.

HUSTON: Artist seeks out new angles on Western pieces

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things important in his life. From one of his earlier pieces of a bugling elk, "Mountain Music," to his latest piece, "A Li'l Persuasion," Huston is able to bring expression and personality from a chunk of clay.

Through all the processes of bronze sculpting, from the original carving to the final pouring of the bronze, Huston labors to maintain the tiniest detail in each piece. The snaps on a shirt, the buckles on a saddle cinch, the look in an eye all carry through to the final product.

The self-taught sculptor is humble and modest about his work, but finds a relaxing enjoyment in the creation of it. His children, Tanner, 11, and Mason, 7, have been the subjects of two

of his latest pieces.

"Walking in My Footsteps" has been Huston's biggest seller. It was inspired when he caught a glimpse of his son following behind him at a rodeo, stepping exactly where Huston had stepped. "The hardest part is coming up with the ideas that haven't already been done in Western bronze art," explains Huston.

White Oaks photojournalist and writer Brad Cooper calls Huston "one of the brightest young talents on the bronze sculpture scene."

Huston was featured in the White Oaks Artist Tour and his work has been photographed by Cooper.

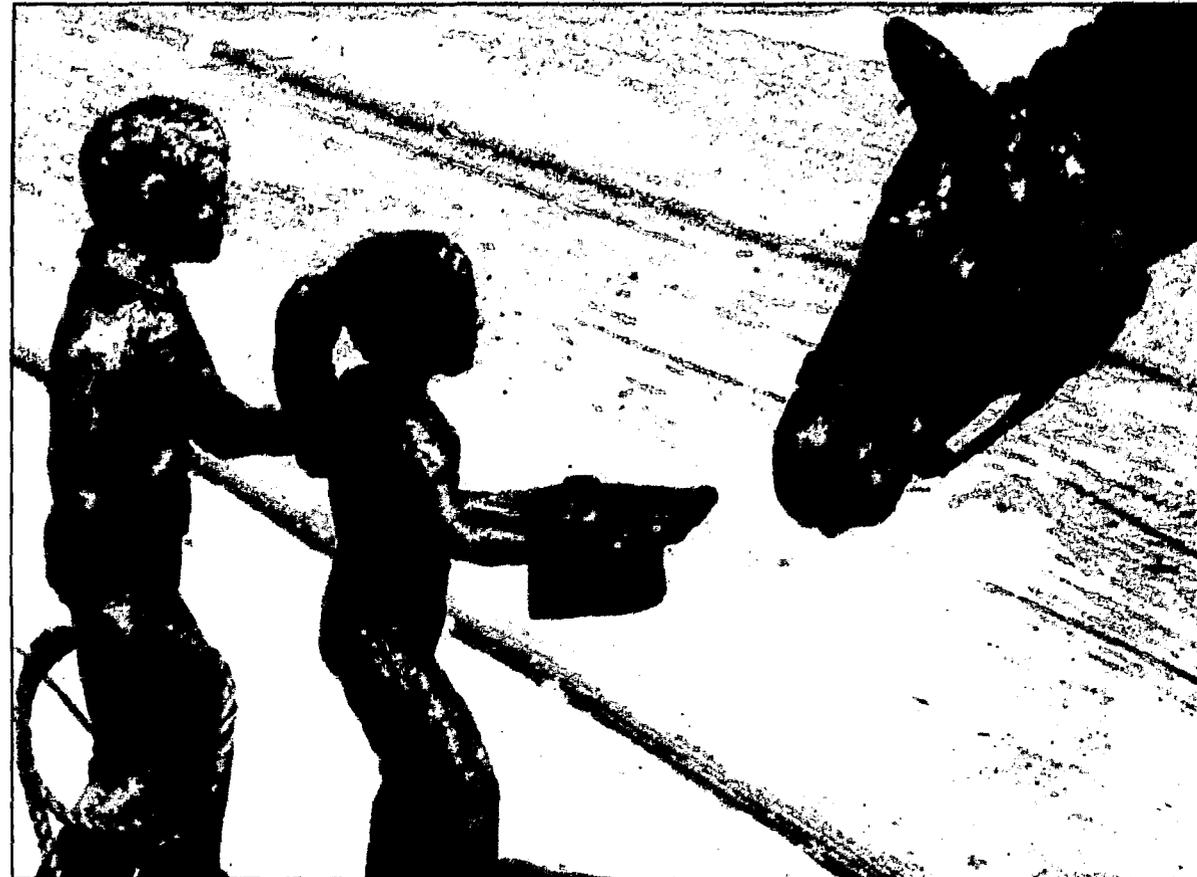
Time constraints and the expense of producing the pieces have kept Huston from making it a profession.

"I have other priorities right now, like a family to raise. That comes first. I hope to someday have the time to do more of the sculpting, but in the meantime I'll keep learning, and hopefully getting better."

For inquiries about Huston's work call 648-2348 and ask for Gwen Huston.



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Above: Huston's bronze piece "A Li'l Persuasion" in detail. Left: "Following in My Footsteps," one of the artist's more popular pieces. Above left: Huston hones in on every detail, down to shirt buttons

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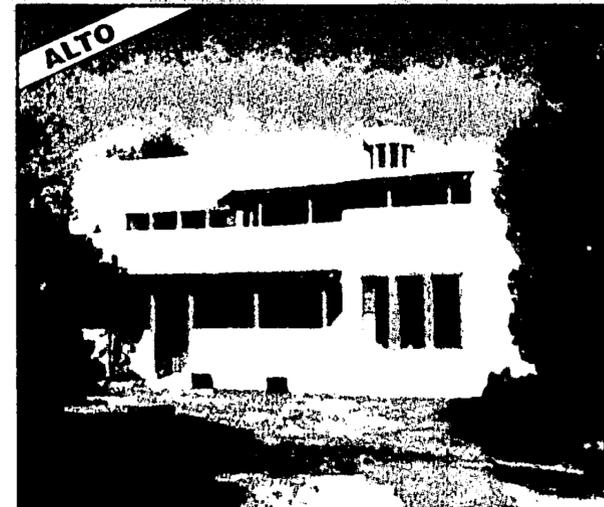
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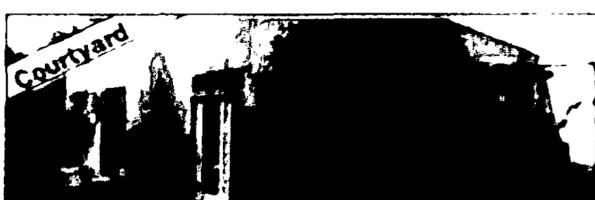
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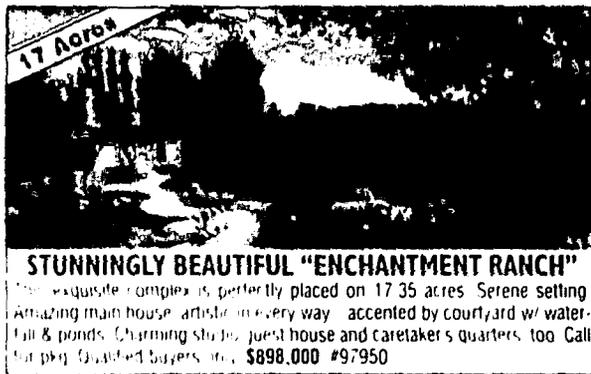
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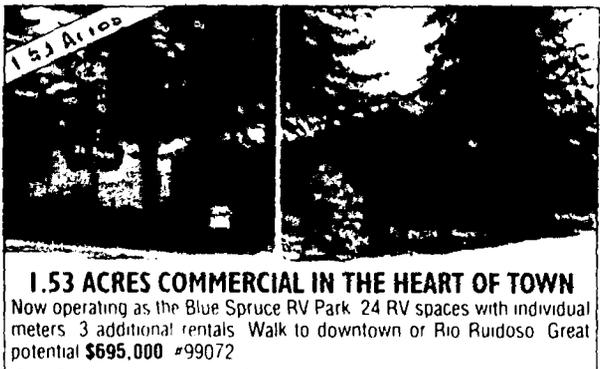
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