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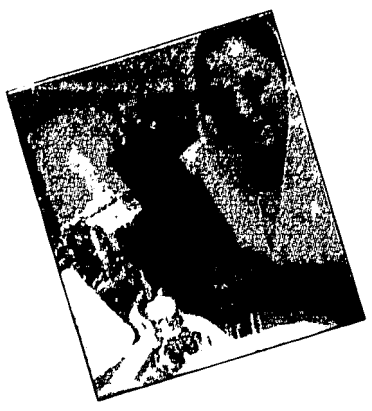

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Candidates may have violated law

Sheriff's hopefuls in coming election apparently at odds with federal Hatch Act

■ Technicality in the law leads to an investigation

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Practically the entire field of candidates for sheriff from both major political parties apparently violated the federal Hatch Act when they ran for office in the primaries.

However, a complaint wasn't filed until the final stretch toward the general election, Nov. 2.

According to Sheriff Tom Sullivan, his undersheriff, Ricky Virden, a Republican candidate for sheriff, is being investigated by the U.S. Office of Special Counsel for a Hatch Act violation. The act specifically prohibits state and local employees from running for office in a partisan election. Virden faces David Hightower, a Democrat and deputy police chief in Ruidoso Downs, who also appears to fall under the same prohibition, and Weslie B. Owen, a Libertarian candidate.

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>
> **Tom Sullivan**
> Lincoln County sheriff

No one from the Special Counsel's Office or from the U.S. Attorney's Office would comment on the investigation.

"This is the most screwball thing I ever heard of," Sullivan said Monday. As he views the situation, Virden, an at-will employee not protected by personnel policy procedures, should be exempt. The situation previously was researched by an attorney, he said.

"Somebody complained," the sheriff said. A spokesman for the agency told him last Wednesday the office doesn't investigate without a complaint, he said. He's waiting for a letter from the agency

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County approves matching grant for the hospital

■ 2-1 vote follows sudden absence of two commissioners

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
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Despite concerns about a growing drain on dollars set aside for capital improvements at the county-owned hospital in Ruidoso, Lincoln County commissioners approved a $100,375 match to gain more federal indigent care money.

The motion by Commissioner Rick Simpson passed Tuesday 2-1 with Chairman Rex Wilson voting with Simpson and Commissioner Earl Hobbs against. Commissioner Maury St. John left the room temporarily during the discussion and Commissioner Leo Martinez walked out, predicting the issue would pass no matter what he said.

The sole community provider program generates $4 for the hospital for every $1 match.

County manager Tom Stewart presented a breakdown, showing that the first sole community payment for the Lincoln County Medical Center to the state was $98,777

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State forces dispatch change

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The suggestion to save money by consolidating dispatch services in Lincoln County was tossed around for years by County Commissioner Leo Martinez.

But opposition against the move, including fears of losing jobs in the county seat of Carrizozo, and a sometimes poor relationship between the sheriff and Ruidoso police chief, blocked the move. Seven people, one part time, are employed at the Carrizozo dispatch, housed within the sheriff's department, but eight spots are allocated. Another eight employees, one short of the designated nine dispatchers, are with the Ruidoso Police Department.

But now the state Department of Finance and Administration has passed a rule requiring the consolidation of Public Safety Answering Points, which goes beyond a simple combining of dispatch centers.

County manager Tom Stewart wrote Ruidoso Mayor Leon Eggleston suggesting that an exception be requested from the DFA based on three existing conditions:

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RIDING HIGH

MARTY RACINE/STAFF

Art Buckner sits astride a high retaining wall last Saturday helping guide segments together. When in place, the wall will help hold fill dirt at the top of Angus Hill during the reconstruction of State Highway 48

Amended agenda adds intrigue to special meeting

■ Thursday session could be another round in the status of Police Chief Lanny Maddox

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A special meeting of the Ruidoso Village Council Thursday took on a new level of interest when the agenda was amended to include a discussion and possible action on the village's personnel ordinance.

Village clerk Irma Nava said that item and another listing discussion on a resolution amending the personnel ordinance were added to allow clarification from the council.

"At their Aug. 10 meeting, the resolution was on the agenda, but they took no action on the ordinance. They wanted to set a public hearing," Nava said. "Depending on the outcome of the discussion (Thursday), a public hearing probably will be set for the Sept. 28 council meeting."

The meeting is scheduled for 9 a.m. in village hall on Cree Meadows Drive.

The amendment deals with the handling of appointments and terminations of four positions, the village clerk, the village manager, the police chief and the village attorney.

But most people see the real issue as the police chief's position, which 12 years ago was changed under the personnel policy to a classified position to remove it from political pressure and changes in councils and mayors. Classified position require "just cause" for firing.

Police Chief Lanny Maddox said he was hired two years after the policy took effect.

However, the job also is included in state statutes as one of four mayor and council-appointed unclassified positions.

The question remains whether the police chief is protected or not, and if village policy could override state law. During a meeting last week, village attorney H. John Underwood said it can't.

However, village records reflect that when he was hired, Maddox received in June 1994 in writing, an explanation from then village manager Gary Jackson that he was picked through a selection process, that the position is exempt and a classified post.

In June 2003 letter, attorney Steven L. Bell offered an opinion that a municipality can enact an ordinance providing that a police chief can only be terminated for just cause, if the municipality operates with an appointed manager. In March 2003, State Rep. Dub Williams received an informal opinion from assistant state attorney general Albert Lama.

He wrote back that if a merit system is part of an employment contract and is established for the hiring, promotion and discharge of employees, "that system and the accompanying conditions imposed may be part of the employment contract."

The village manager would be bound by the same rules in her handling of employees, Lama wrote.

"It stands to reason that if a mayor and city council are limited to the reasons for firing given in the merit or employment system, the the city manager would be similarly limited," he stated.

Other items on the special meeting agenda Thursday are the award of a drilling contract for completion of High School Well to K.D. Huey Company, and discussion and possible action on a new telephone system for village hall.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

HOME RUN

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The Ruidoso Valley Noon Lions Club recently raised more than $5,000 for its concession stand project at Gavilan Canyon baseball field. Here, Lions Valari Chavez (left) and Dick Cottrill (right) present a check representing 25 percent of that total to Brendan and Linda Flack representing the Ruidoso Little League Baseball Association. The remainder of the money will go to other projects in Lincoln County. The Lions' next fundraiser is the Antique Show Aug. 27-29 at the Ruidoso Convention Center. Hours: Friday 5-9, Saturday 10-6, Sunday 12-5. Admission $3 advance or $4 at the gate. Call 257-2776 or 258-1345 for advance tickets.

Get listed.

Community Calendar is published every Wednesday as a free public service by the Ruidoso News. *Send items to editor Marty Racine via telephone (257-4001), fax (257-7053), mail (104 Park Ave., Ruidoso, NM 88345) or e-mail (mracine@ruidosonews.com. Be sure to include a contact phone number and addresses where applicable.*

Please advise us of any changes to your schedule.

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Ongoing

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Lincoln County: 1096 Mechem, Suite 201, Lincoln Tower; 258-4185.

BSA Cub Pack 95: Meetings monthly, time and place TBA; 378-5623 for information.

Ruidoso Care Center Family Council Sessions: Meetings as needed. Contact RCC at 257-9071.

Lincoln County Chess Club: Looking for members to begin meeting again. New players and all levels welcome; 354-8036.

Wednesday, Aug. 25

Wednesday Weed Warriors: 8-11 a.m., gather at Farley's on Mechem, going south. Help provide an alternative treatment for invasive thistles. Wear protective clothing, gloves, and sunscreen. Bring drinking water and a 5 gallon bucket if you have one.

Children's TeamKids Discipleship Program: 6 p.m-7:45 p.m. Wednesdays (Sept.-May), First Baptist Church, 270 Country Club Drive. For children 4 years old to 6th grade; 257-2081, or on the Web at www.fbcruidoso.com

Optimist Club (Friends of Youth): Noon every Wednesday at K-Bob's Steakhouse. New members always welcome; 257-5938 or 258-9218.

Pine Top Rod and Custom Car Club: 6:30 p.m. at the Old Road in Mescalero. Come learn about the club as members hear about the loss of the "Car-B-Que," a classic Corvair that had been fitted to serve as a giant barbecue and ice box, and which recently suffered major damage when it tumbled into a creek bed. For club info, call Doug Babcock, 257-7365.

Ruidoso Shrine Club: 6:30 p.m the fourth Wednesday of every month at Cree Meadows Restaurant; 258-5860.

The Party Bridge Group: 1 p.m. Wednesday and Friday at the Ruidoso Senior Citizens Center; 336-4808.

Thursday, Aug. 26

B.P.O. Does: Noon, second and fourth Thursdays, Elks Lodge Building, U.S. 70; 257-2607..

Lincoln County Adult Singles Group: Meets every Thursday at various locations. For further information, please contact Sharon (585-8535) or Doris (258-3799) or e-mail us. The Lincoln County Adult Singles Group welcomes all adult singles. For the group's newsletter please visit http://www.nogal.com/lcasg.

Narcotics Anonymous: Meets 7 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday and 7:15 p.m. Saturday in Room 146 (by the gym) at First Baptist Church, 270 Country Club Drive. Call Dawn at 937-0844, Dean at 937-5546, or Josie at 378-5621. Or, write to HCR 46, Box 447, Ruidoso Downs, NM, 88346.

Open House: Learn about the BLM's Rio Bonito activity plan from 6-9 p.m. Thursday at the Lincoln Community Church; 627-0272, www.nm.blm.gov

Ruidoso Duplicate Bridge Club: 1 p.m. every Tuesday, Saturday and Thursday, plus a 299ers game 1 p.m. Mondays, all at the Ruidoso Senior Citizens Center; 257-7411 or 257-6188.

Thursday Bridge: 11 a.m. Thursdays at Cree Meadows.

Friday, Aug. 27

The Party Bridge Group: 1 p.m. Wednesday and Friday at the Ruidoso Senior Citizens Center; 336-4808.

Alto P.E.O Group: 11 a.m. the fourth Friday of the month through September; 336-4490 or 258-3896.

Senior Line Dancing: 9:30-11:30 a.m. Fridays at the Ruidoso Downs Senior Center; 378-4659.

Saturday, Aug. 28

Al-Anon: Meets every Saturday, 10:30 a.m., at Gateway Center, 439 Sudderth, Ruidoso; 257-7124.

Narcotics Anonymous: Meets 7:15 p.m. Saturday in Room 146 (by the gym) at First Baptist Church, 270 Country Club Drive. Call Dawn at 937-0844, Dean at 937-5546, or Josie at 378-5621. Or, write to HCR 46, Box 447, Ruidoso Downs, NM, 88346.

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Sierra Blanca Amateur Radio Club: 9 a.m. every Saturday. Usually meets at El Paraiso in Sierra Mall or check location on 146.920 MHz after 8 a.m.

Monday, Aug. 30

Trail Snails Hiking Club: Mondays, 8:30 a.m. May - November. Hike Lincoln County's scenic trails; 630-8614 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Angus Wood Carvers: 5-8 p.m. every Monday, Nazarene Church Camp, Highway 48 and Highway 37; 336-9161.

Ruidoso Duplicate Bridge Club: 299ers game 1 p.m. Mondays at the Ruidoso Senior Citizens Center; 257-7411 or 257-6188.

Alcoholics Anonymous women's open meeting: 6:30 p.m. every Monday at Gateway Center, 439 Sudderth; 378-8391.

Ruidoso Woman's Club game day: 11:45 a.m. Monday at the Ruidoso Woman's Clubhouse, 116 S. Evergreen, behind the Ruidoso Office Supply. Pot luck lunch followed by Bridge and other card games.

Tuesday, Aug. 31

Al-Anon: Meets every Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. at Gateway Center, 439 Sudderth, Ruidoso; 257-7124.

Alto Women's Association: 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Alto Club House for lunch and cards. Business meeting, first Tuesday of every month.

Kiwanis: Tuesdays at noon at K-Bobs; Rutalee Waters, 257-2626.

Narcotics Anonymous: Meets 7 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday and 7:15 p.m. Saturday in Room 146 (by the gym) at First Baptist Church, 270 Country Club Drive. Call Dawn at 937-0844, Dean at 937-5546, or Josie at 378-5621. Or, write to HCR 46, Box 447, Ruidoso Downs, NM, 88346.

Prepared Childbirth Classes: Meets at 7 p.m. Tuesdays, at the Lincoln County Medical Center's conference room. Six classes per session with certified instructors; 257-7381 (OB dept.).

Rotary International, Ruidoso-Hondo Valley Club: Arrive at 11:45 a.m. on Tuesdays at the Cree Meadows Country Club, except on the first Tuesday of the month during the school year. Those meetings are at 11:45 a.m. at the Teepee Lounge at Ruidoso High School; Barbara, 258-5445, Phillis, 257-5555 or Greg, 257-1255.

Ruidoso Duplicate Bridge Club: 1 p.m. every Tuesday at the Ruidoso Senior Citizens Center; 257-7411 or 257-6188.

Ruidoso Evening Lions: Tuesdays at 7 p.m. at 106 S. Overlook; Bill Speegle, 378-4151.

Ruidoso Valley Noon Lions Club: Meets 11:30 a.m. every Tuesday for lunch and a short meeting at Cree Meadows Country Club; 257-2776.

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ETZ: Is Behr's a flea market or RV park?

■ Behr's Barn can complete season providing it agrees to conditions

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

His struggle to comply with rules and lapses in the rules in the development transition zone around Ruidoso isn't over, but Junior Behringer will be able to finish out the heavy tourist season at his flea market on U.S. 70.

Members of the Extraterritorial Zoning Commission voted unanimously Monday to accept the revised site-development plan for Behr Barn as a flea market, a conditional use in the commercial zone, with the understanding that board-requested changes will be accomplished in a timely manner, including proper permits and inspections by the village code enforcement department.

The motion was offered by member Reynaldo Valcarcel and seconded by Harry Gevertz.

Approval also will allow Behr, who is a former code inspector for the village, to bring in a mobile home residence to a site where a unit previously was located.

He must obtain an inspection of the set-up, must complete inspection of an existing private sewer system that connects to a village line and must pass a complete building inspection at the barn.

But the big item was a requirement that he applies within 60 days for a conditional use as a recreational vehicle park at the market.

Behr said he has operated for 18 months at the barn without a problem – until he was notified he needed to submit a new commercial site development plan. Then he learned the ETZ law lacks a definition for a flea market.

At issue is that Behr contends the norm for flea markets includes allowing some temporary overnight use of RVs by vendors to guard their merchandise, primarily on weekends.

But ETZ commission members countered that if people are living in their RVs at the market, at least the minimum standards for an RV park must be met.

Behr said the people wouldn't be staying in their RVs unless they were selling at the market. Board members responded that the market can't be treated differently than other places where people stay in their RVs.

Valcarcel said he researched several major flea markets and none of them allow overnight use of RVs. Connie Behringer strongly disagreed, saying she has four vendors who live all winter at one of the markets he checked.

Member Frank Higgins said the first step to reaching agreement on what standards Behr must meet was for him to acknowledge that the market includes "an RV component."

Behr said the major difference is that the units are self-contained and require no hookups, although some do use a dump station that already exists.

Questions about the operation of that station should be answered by a inspection, all agreed.

Behr satisfied other items on a list compiled by the ETZ board, including delineating pedestrian walkways, agreeing to install outdoor lighting that will be aimed away from surrounding property, providing adequate general parking spaces, handicap spaces and wide enough alleyways for vehicles to back out safely.

Members also asked that directional traffic signs be installed at the market.

Behr, represented by Wyatt Sparks, provided drawings to indicate the selling spaces outside, currently occupied by about 15 vendors.

HATCH: Candidates under scrutiny

FROM PAGE 1A

spelling out what needs to be done to correct the apparent violation, Sullivan said.

He was told by the OSC spokesman that Virden either must resign or he can continue to run and file an appeal. But if he lost the appeal and was elected, he could be removed from office.

'Dirty politics'

"Whoever did this, it's dirty politics," the sheriff said. "My two deputies and Ruidoso Police Chief Lanny Maddox, they all ran illegally because the agencies they work for get federal funding, money from Fast Cops for bullet-proof vests. This also affects David Hightower."

According to information from the Special Counsel's Office, The Hatch Act applies to executive branch state, county and municipal employees who are employed in connection with programs financed in whole or part by federal loans or grants.

The prohibition extends beyond just the declared campaign and covers "preliminaries leading to such announcement and to canvassing or soliciting support or doing or permitting to be done any act in furtherance of candidacy."

Penalties dictate that the employing agency must either remove the employee or forfeit a portion of the federal assistance equal to two years salary of the employee, according to the OSC information.

However, the board that oversees the Act can decide that the violation does not warrant the employee's removal and then, no penalty is imposed.

Elected officials are exempt from the regulations.

"This will set a precedent all over the state," Sullivan said.

"Everyone will have to quit to run. That's a pretty good financial hit and once they resign, they may not be rehired (if they lose the election). It's the most unconstitutional thing I've ever heard. It's not just law enforcement, it's any agency receiving federal money."

Virden may resign

Virden may resign once the letter is received, Sullivan said.

Putting him on administrative leave without pay is not acceptable, he was told.

A question the spokesman couldn't answer and is researching is whether, if Virden resigns and is elected, he could be rehired in November, or whether he would have to wait to return in January as the newly elected sheriff.

Sullivan said an element of the complaint apparently centers around Virden signing an agreement with the U.S. Forest Service for law enforcement protection during a fire. The sheriff said he was away.

"He signed my name 'by Rick Virden,'" Sullivan said.

Virden could not be reached for comment Tuesday.

Court sets date for woman accused in stabbing

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

A Sun Valley woman accused of stabbing her husband to death is set for an appearance Sept. 9, in Magistrate Court in Carrizozo.

A hearing previously scheduled for this week was canceled when public defender Linda Burson asked for additional time, according to court information.

Patricia Sundquist, 52, is charged with an open count of murder in the death Aug. 7, of her husband, Daryl Sundquist, 55.

The criminal complaint stated that the knife wound to the left side of the man's body occurred during a husband-and-wife altercation that "got pretty violent."

Sundquist also was charged with tampering with evidence as law enforcement officials contend she tried to dispose of the knife.

According to the Lincoln County Sheriff's Department call sheet, Sundquist contacted 911 at 2:17 a.m., but the time of death was placed earlier abut 1 a.m., officials said.

The department had responded to several other domestic violence incidents at the home, they said, calling the relationship "rocky."

Assistant District Attorney Janice Schryer from Alamogordo is prosecuting the case.

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OUR OPINION

La Quinta project is in the wrong place

But the developer might try the village council

We have a sneaking admiration for the persistence of those folks who want to build a La Quinta Inn on Chase Drive in Midtown.

We also have some admiration for Ruidoso's Planning and Zoning Commission members, who have stood steadfast for their belief that a three-story hotel on a 1.63 acre lot is just too much for the neighborhood.

This, despite the four attempts by Jayshree Inc. to adjust size, floor plan, parking and landscaping – including acquiring another lot – to accommodate the village's planning people.

None of that worked. The commission last week said no. The next step for Jayshree may be to try its luck with the Ruidoso Village Council in September.

Commissioners deny they're "anti-growth," citing among other things approval of the planned mixed-use condo complex on the east side of Midtown. And, yes, they approved the Jayshree-owned Comfort Inn at Chase and Sudderth.

So the issue, when we nail it down, isn't what it is, but simply where it is.

Ruidoso's 'rural' character is no longer a factor

ON SECOND THOUGHT
MARTY RACINE

The comprehensive master plan, recently revealed by Design Workshop of Santa Fe, states as one of its goals the retention of Ruidoso's "rural" character.

What? That is impossible.

We are no longer a few hand-hewn cabins and a sawmill tucked into the woods, populated by bearded lumberjacks and hermits. The village is already urban, and getting more so.

That, under the realities of growth, is a good thing.

Webster's New World Dictionary defines ruralism as related to farming or agriculture. A rural area is comprised of "country" people. Those scenarios might apply to Capitan, Nogal, Hondo and Carrizozo — at least for now. They do not apply to sophisticated and zoning-conscious Ruidoso, Alto or even Ruidoso Downs. Why, you can't even own a horse in the village. And who in Alto raises crops?

At the same time, the comprehensive plan calls for amenities and features that are urban in nature. Many of us might be big-city refugees, but that doesn't mean America's cities don't have admirable traits. Adoption of same here, on a much smaller scale, would be wise.

Those big-city features include well-defined neighborhoods and shopping districts, high-density development that maximizes land-use by utilizing "in-fill" growth rather than endless sprawl, a pedestrian-friendly landscape, a system of parks and hiking/biking trails, and a series of "mixed-use" centers.

These elements characterize many Eastern cities and those in the West, such as Denver (Lower Downtown) and Albuquerque (a revitalized downtown), that are redeveloping their central cores and reducing the distance between home and work for some of its residents.

Ruidoso's advantage lay in our, and Lincoln County's, rural heritage. Unlike cities ringed with sprawl, Ruidoso is surrounded by forest and meadow. Through the missteps of other, bigger, communities, we can minimize our foray into nature and restrain development to areas that have already been cleared.

That will mean some multi-family housing developments designed not to just make use of in-fill areas but to accommodate workers in the hope that we are not merely a commuter destination, flanked by rush-hour highways.

That means public gathering places such as the events plaza on Wingfield may increasingly rub up against adjacent neighborhoods, creating periodic inconveniences for residents.

That means, given population projections that have us doubling in only 16 years, increasing demands on infrastructure and resources.

That will require ever more wise, researched and prudent decision-making by planners and elected officials regarding the many needs that are going to come into conflict. The next few decades shape up as a cantankerous yet fascinating time in the village's evolution.

We'd best tackle these issues by recognizing – by admitting – that we are, indeed, a miniature urban core, requiring urban-style solutions to many of our problems.

And for those of you planning to join that population increase, this piece of advice: Don't think you're getting away from it all by moving here. Have you looked into White Oaks?

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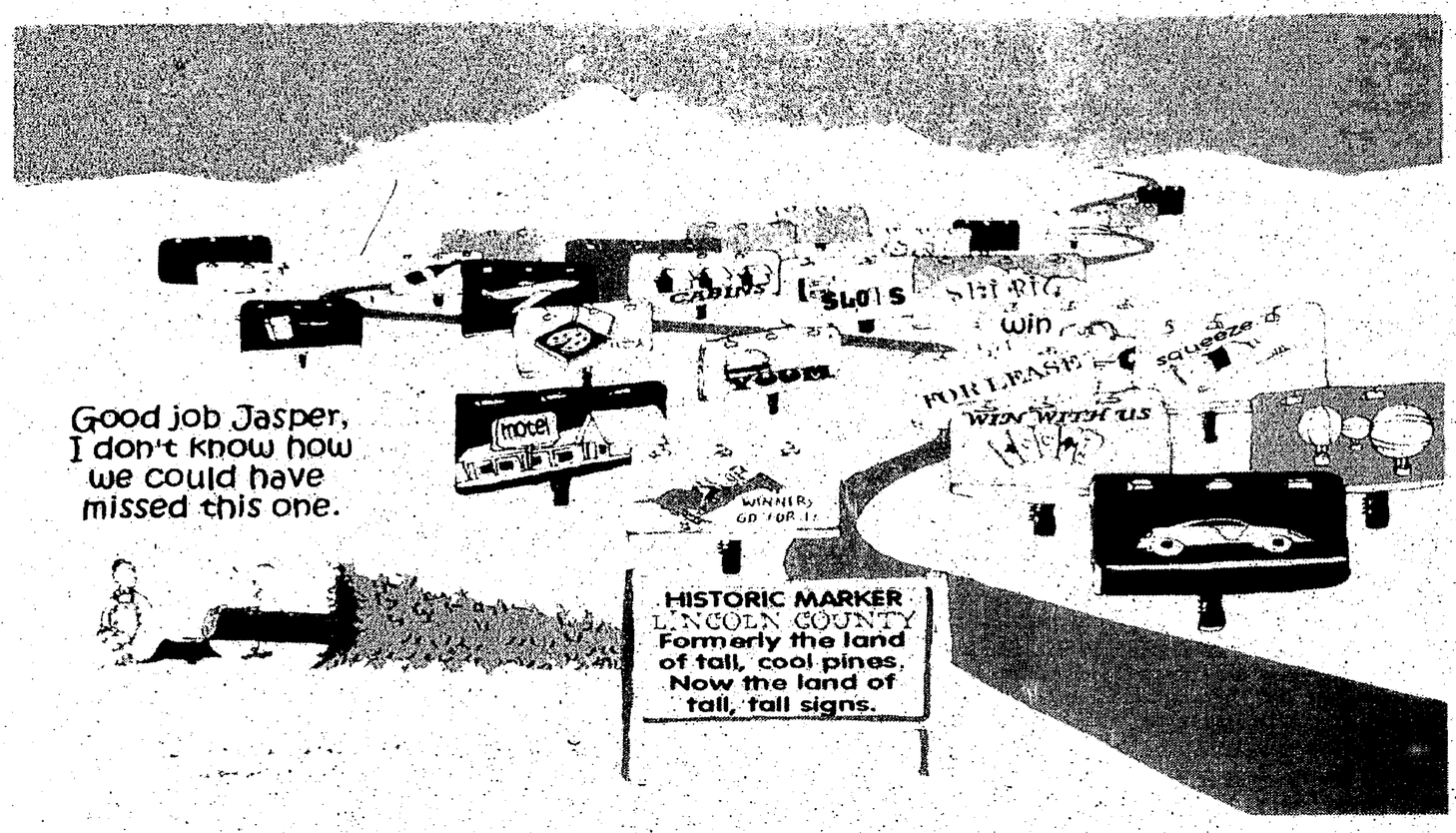


YOUR

A Ruidoso shock for a former El Pasoan

To the editor:

When I lived and worked in El Paso, Texas, the city of my birth, I took being a Democrat for granted. I was a lifelong participant in the enjoyment of being a part of the majority of El Pasoans, friends and co-workers who were also Democrats. Was there any other party to speak of? Not at that time and place.

I became politically active during the Lyndon Johnson days, campaigning for a man I strongly admired. The years passed, and slowly but surely that "other" party began making inroads in the political system of my city.

When I retired to Ruidoso ... I was in for the shock of my life! I became a minority again, ethnic and political. Democrats were nowhere to be found. I had landed in a beehive of swarming Republicans. Where were the dormant Democrats?

Ten years later we have made progress; the Lincoln County Democratic Party now has an office in the village, and I am an active volunteer. We are working to register voters for the very important Nov. 2 election, and doing everything possible to help our candidates.

I am also happy ... that there is now a Hispanic Chamber of Commerce in the village, a great step forward in bringing the different segments of our beautiful, peaceful, serene village together.

Alicia Lopez
Ruidoso

Those closed debates

To the editor:

Now that the presidential debates are near, I'm asking for reader support to open the debates to include all electable presidential candidates.

Republican and Democratic candidates refuse to allow third-party candidates into the presidential debates, citing their own arbitrary "standards" for exclusion. They make the rules, and act like they own the system.

But it is We the People who own the system (the government). We cannot vote our choices when deprived of knowing what they are. The public is served only by being able to see and hear all electable candidates. The debates are not owned by a gang of would-be rulers; if we don't own the debates, we don't own our own votes.

Moreover, open debate could be fiery! Instead of perpetuating dull debates by two "major" parties who are fed pre-approved, pre-scripted questions by pet journalists for rehearsed answers, voters could hear answers from candidates who have vibrant ideas. Instead of being disenfranchised, unhappy voters, people could see with their own eyes that their vote can count!

Dear reader ... assert your fight to hear all the electable candidates. First, sign the petition at www.opendebates. org. Then, call the toll-free numbers of both the Kerry and Bush campaigns and tell them it is not acceptable to exclude third-party candidates who are on the ballot in enough states to be electable. This is too important to ignore or leave to someone else. You need to call their numbers; call their bluff. This time, make your vote count!

Susan S. Rush
Santa Fe County Libertarian chair
Note: The writer is a former chair of Lincoln County Libertarians

Gratitude for LCMC

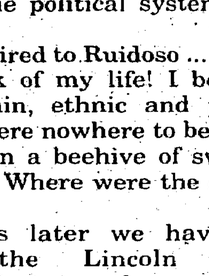
To the editor:

I would like to express my gratitude to the Lincoln County Medical Center staff, particularly in the Radiology, Physical Therapy, and Emergency Departments, for the helpful and friendly assistance they provided to me when I was in a lot of pain from various physical conditions – the latest being rehabilitation after cardiac surgery – or when I needed tests and was apprehensive about the results. Since moving to Ruidoso almost five years ago, I have received services in these departments on many occasions, and without exception, the staff has always been courteous, patient, and sensitive as well as extremely knowledgeable and professional. As a matter of fact, all the hospital employees, from the nursing staff to maintenance, go out of their way to make patients and visitors feel comfortable. It is very comforting to know that in a small town such as Ruidoso, we have such a wonderful, professional hospital.

Ralf Boddin
Ruidoso

Rebuttals from across the Land of Enchantment

And the readers write — a columnist's blatant self-promotion to let his editors know that somewhere out there in the nine towns where his column is published, someone is listening.



LOOKING AHEAD
NED CANTWELL

A column bemoaning the handcuffed arrest of a an Alamogordo veterinarian who wouldn't divulge the name of an employee who brought in an injured fawn for treatment garnered praise from *Clovis News-Journal* reader Jo Stallings.

Thanks, Jo, but not all thoughts recorded in this space are so well received.

Ron Nott, who reads the column in *The Daily Times* of Farmington, took exception to my criticism of the advertiser boycott that knocked a liberal program off the air in Silver City.

To my suggestion that an appropriate slogan for that city might be "Silver City – Shame on You," Ron countered with "Silver City – Where Democracy Still Prevails." He noted that as a small businessman, "I have the right to select where I spend my advertising dollars."

"I have been associated with broadcasting since 1960," Ron writes, "and one thing I observe is that it is ruled by the democratic process. Every time a person changes the station on a radio or TV set, he or she is voting. This process determines who survives or disappears."

Point well taken. I would stick to my opinion, though; there is a difference between individual choice and the Silver City situation where a bunch of advertisers muscled up to suppress a local political ideology they found distasteful.

My view that political discourse is enhanced by the likes of the even-handed Tim Russert rather than shouters such as Bill O'Reilly drew fire from *Ruidoso News* reader Monte Forney who finds the Fox News star more fair and impartial then mainstream talking heads.

"I do want to thank you and your compatriots," Monte says, "even though your offerings are ill-founded and self-serving. If you keep this up you newsmen will replace us lawyers as the most despised group in America."

Actually, we journalist types sunk below lawyers in the public opinion poll a long time ago. But we are still more popular than telemarketers.

Just to prove that this column is the place to be for New Mexico historical perspective, I offer the insight of Sherm Cockrell, also a Clovis reader. I had written that Gov. Bill Richardson, introducing John Kerry and John Edwards, "exalted in the fact their Albuquerque appearance marked the first time in history a presidential and vice-presidential candidate had together visited the Land of Enchantment."

Says Sherm, "It seems to me I saw Adlai Stevenson and Estes Kefauver campaigning in Santa Fe in the summer of 1956."

1956. What a year. Elvis was just gearing up, horrifying parents who thought he was the epitome of evil. If only they knew what trash the music world was to offer by the end of the century.

John Wayne starred in a classic, "The Searchers." A first-class stamp set you back 3 cents. Federal spending had ballooned to $70 billion, somewhat short of what we recently okayed for Iraq. The book, "Peyton Place," was steamy, Milton Berle was a TV smash, and if you had really "made it," you tooled around town in your Crown Victoria.

And it was the year a kid who would one day peddle his column to New Mexico editors was graduating from high school in San Bernardino.

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DISPATCH: State says centralize

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4,859 square miles, the population center usually also is the county seat.

But in Lincoln County, the population center is in Ruidoso, which has one PSAP, while the county seat is in Carrizozo to the northwest and at a lower elevation, which has another PSAP.

• The dispersed nature of the county requires backup locations for the PSAP. The two dispatches backup each other in emergencies.

• If consolidation is mandated, no current location with sufficient space for a consolidated PSAP exists.

"It's just a huge bill. If the state is forcing us, then it ought to give us some (financial) relief."

Tom Stewart
county manager

One solution would be to create a joint powers agreement to establish a new PSAP/dispatch center authority and facility in a central location; estimated to cost more than $1 million, Stewart wrote.

He proposed the Sierra Blanca Regional Airport area because of its high elevation, but flat terrain.

Financial help from the state would be required to pursue that goal, he wrote.

If an exception is not granted, the two entities could work on a plan for consolidation with a fiscal impact to the state, he proposed.

Martinez said during the commission meeting last week that commissioners should be encouraged by the development.

"They probably would never get together without the government coming in and saying, 'You will do it,'" he said.

Stewart said the conversion probably would require multiple steps to complete. County emergency services coordinator Bill Martin would like to see dispatch centralized, he said.

"It's just a huge bill," Stewart said. "If the state is forcing us, then it ought to give us some (financial) relief."

Commissioner Earl Hobbs said all municipalities also should be involved in the effort.

GRANT: Martinez raises issues

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in 2000-2001, but because a supplemental payment was offered, the commission kicked in another $164,904.

Supplemental payments once added, remain with the balance to be matched the following year and Stewart laid out the growth of those payments, ending with the current Fiscal Year 2004-2005 that started at $430,488, but with the supplement will hit $530,863.

"That's 42 percent of the total 2.1 (special property tax) levy of $1,247,954," Stewart said.

"The commission as far as I'm concerned is negligent in that they don't go out to a private company to get the exact figures or independent figures..."

Leo Martinez
county commissioner

The levy was approved by voters to help the hospital, which is owned by the county and managed by Presbyterian Healthcare Services, with its capital improvements, the sole community provider payment and for Medicaid payments.

"In light of the escalating cost to the (levy fund), consider the supplement request and insist on offsetting services from the hospital in the future," Stewart advised commissioners.

James Gibson, hospital administrator, said he wrote the county on Aug. 11, after receiving notification from the state of the $390,566 sole community provider supplemental payment that requires a county match of $100,375.

He reminded commissioners that Presbyterian intends to transfer property west of the emergency room parking lot valued at about $500,000 as a contribution to the Phase III construction planned at the medical center, and that the company previously deeded some parking lot space.

Martinez asked how he or other commissioners are supposed to know the value of the property to be donated.

"Because you tell us it's worth that?" he asked.

"I've seen no appraisals. The property is a sliver, a piece of vacant land. Who appraised the property?"

When Gibson gave the man's name, Martinez blew, "My god. He's a (hospital) board member."

"We asked him to look into it and he talked to some people and gave us an estimate," Gibson said.

"The letter says approximate value. We have not done an appraisal."

Gibson showed commissioners graphs of calendar year 2003, which pinpointed more than $5.3 million in uncompensated patient care. The county put up $395,000 for the sole community provider program and the hospital received $1,483,000, he said.

That reduced the $5.3 million to $3,821,000 for Presbyterian's portion of that uncompensated care.

"You can readily see that is an important piece of our pie in making the hospital a healthy health care delivery system," he said.

"It goes a long way to keeping us in a position to do what we need to do."

During that same time period, Presbyterian managed the county EMS at no cost, and ran the rural county health clinics, losing about $100,000, Gibson said.

"The county gets an awful lot for your 7.4 percent," Gibson said. Failure to approve the supplemental match means higher rates will be paid by those people who use the hospital, he said.

"If we don't have that, we have no choice for those things that we need to be done but to raise rates," he said.

St: John clarified that the money will come from the special levy fund that is set aside for the hospital and that the $5 million is spent for direct patient care, and represents unpaid medical bills.

Gibson said contractual discounts and allowances that the hospital has with insurance companies has nothing to do with the sole community provider figures or bad debt. They come off the top, he said.

The hospital billed about $30 million last year and $12 million went to contractual allowances.

That leaves about $18 million for operation and the $5 million bad debt comes off that, "except we get $1 million back," Gibson said.

After hearing the breakdown by Gibson, Martinez said, "I am always amazed at your presentations and I will go to the end of my term questioning this.

"You come in and give us all these numbers – your numbers, not ours or Stewart's. And then you say if we don't approve it, you will have to raise rates.

"This commission as far as I'm concerned is negligent in that they don't go out to a private company to get the exact figures or independent figures to see how well we are doing here.

"This commission says 'Let's go, because their rates will go up.' This is the most ridiculous thing I've heard."

The commissioner said for a lease payment of "a buck a year, I wouldn't come to this commission to ask for a penny. I've said my piece and I'll vote my no, but you guys go ahead and do what you think is responsible."

As the discussion proceeded, Martinez could be heard murmuring, "A $5.8 million surplus," in reference to a recent audit of the hospital.

Wilson said Stewart should continue to pursue services from the hospital that could offset some of the sole provider payment cost.

Consulting fee questioned

■ Councilor Rebstock forces issue over computer, networking services

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The sharp eye of Ruidoso Village Councilor Michele Rebstock may end up saving the municipality $5 an hour for computer and network systems consulting services.

Rebstock asked at the village council meeting earlier this month that the issue be removed from the consent agenda, which is approved without discussion, and to have it placed on the regular agenda.

She noted that Sharenet Corporation officials were asking for an increase from $80 to $85 an hour in the third, one-year renewal agreement of the company's contract.

Although Councilor L. Ray Nunley quickly moved to approve the agreement and the motion passed, Councilor Deborah Marcum-Byars thanked Rebstock for calling to the board's attention the increase.

"I have some concern granting an increase when someone already has a contract," Byars agreed, but Rebstock cast the only vote against approval.

Moments later, village attorney H. John Underwood interrupted the meeting to say he just reviewed the contract and no provision exists for a fee increase and the document doesn't reflect any expansion of services.

Rebstock

"Your point is well taken," he told Rebstock. "I'd like someone on the prevailing side to bring it back up."

Byars offered a successful motion to reconsider and Nunley asked Underwood to investigate further.

In other action, the council:

• Approved the appointment of Kelli Shaw to the DWI Task Force

• Approved mayoral appointments to a lodgers tax advertising sub-committee of Bob Moroney, Dean Fowler, Bruce Timson, Doug McAlister, Chuck Duncan, Sunny Hirschfeld and Riker Davis.

• Upheld the decision of the village planning and zoning commission from July 6 to deny a zone map amendment in Navajo Subdivision requested by Jayshree Inc. on a lot adjoining the proposed site of a La Quinta Hotel off Chase Street. The extra room was to accommodate parking and landscaping.

The most recent attempt to secure approval of a site plan for the hotel was rejected earlier this month by the planning board and may be appealed to the council in September.

• Approved a zone map amendment for Harry Alwein in Woodland Hills subdivision to allow two lots to be platted into one.

Water director appeals his dismissal

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Ruidoso's former water director is appealing his dismissal and a hearing is set for Sept. 20.

Larry Grasmick, who headed the Ruidoso water department since March 12, 2001, was terminated in May. He came under criticism in connection with apparently inadequate documentation on the drilling and development of the High School well and an additional well at the Hollywood station.

Grasmick directed the water department operation through a prolonged period of drought, water conservation restrictions and a search for new sources of production.

"We have specifically requested it be an open hearing," said Grasmick's attorney, J. Robert Beauvais.

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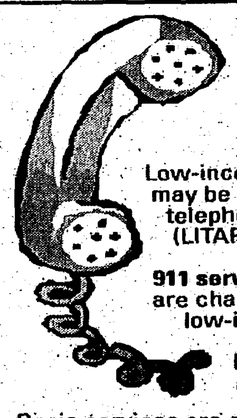
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Nob Hill accreditation renewed by young-children's education unit

Nob Hill Early Childhood Center again has earned accreditation from the National Association for the Education of Young Children, the nation's leading organization of early childhood professionals.

NHECC houses several programs that provide services for young children: Parents as Teachers, Developmental Services (birth to age 3), Developmentally Delayed classrooms (ages 3 and 4), Lincoln County's Ruidoso site for Head Start, and full-day public kindergarten. These programs are provided through a partnership of Ruidoso Municipal School District and Region IX Educational Cooperative.

Sandra Hatch, teacher of 4-year-old students, said NAEYC accreditation lets families know that children at Nob Hill are getting the best care and early learning experiences.

"Our goal is to provide a seamless support system for families with young children that provides for their needs from birth to age 6," she said.

NAEYC created its accreditation program in 1985 to set professional standards for early childhood education and to help families identify high-quality childcare and early education programs.

To earn NAEYC accreditation, a program conducts a self-study to determine how well it meets the standards. After necessary improvements are made, the program is observed by independent, professional validators and then reviewed by a national panel. Programs that meet the rigid standards then receive a five-year accreditation.

Nob Hill is rare in that very few public schools across the nation are accredited by NAEYC.

EDUCATION BRIEFS

On the 'A' list

Lydia Warren, 2003 Ruidoso High School graduate and daughter of Mollie Warren of Ruidoso, made the dean's honor roll with all A's at the Pratt Institute in New York, N.Y. Warren is a sophomore architecture student.

Beginning Apache

Eastern New Mexico University-Ruidoso will offer Beginning Apache Language from 5:30-7 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays at the Mescalero Empowerment Center, taught by Joseph Geronimo. The cost of this 3-credit course is $93, and classes begin Aug. 31. Register in-person in Ruidoso or by calling 257-2120 or (800) 934-3668.

Also offered at the Mescalero Empowerment Center are:

- Basic Computer Literacy, 6-8:30 p.m. Wednesdays, taught by Fred Reed;
- Basic English Skills, 5:30-8 p.m. Tuesdays, taught by Randall Robbins; and
- Basic Algebra, 6-8:30 p.m. Mondays, taught by Diane Billingsley.

County history offered

Eastern New Mexico University-Ruidoso will offer a History of Lincoln County class taught by Cynthia Orozco Martinez, a 3-credit or no-credit class that meets from 9-11:30 a.m. on Thursdays, Sept. 2-Dec. 9. The class covers town histories and Mescalero, Lincoln County War and Billy the Kid, biographies and guest speakers, videos and discussions, as well as trips to Mescalero, Fort Stanton, Lincoln, White Oaks, Capitan, Carrizozo, Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs.

One textbook is required plus supplemental reading. The cost is $78 in-district, $90 out-of-district, and $15 for seniors (New Mexico residents over 65, space available).

To register, call 257-2120 or (800) 934-3668, or via www.ruidoso.enmu.edu, or in person at 709 Mechem Drive. For more information, contact Orozco Martinez at 258-2212.

Fire fighter training

Eastern New Mexico University-Ruidoso will offer entry-level Fire Fighter Training for the volunteer firefighters of Lincoln County, a 3-credit class meeting from 6-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Fire Station No. 2. Tuition assistance is available. Call 257-2120 or (800) 934-3668 to register.

Alcohol servers note

Eastern New Mexico University-Ruidoso offers alcohol serving training from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. on Fridays, Aug. 27, Sept. 24, Oct. 29, Nov. 19 and Dec. 10, at the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce. Call 257-2120 or (800) 934-3668 to register.

Art for children

Community Education of Eastern New Mexico University-Ruidoso will offer Art After School for children grades 3-5. The five-week creative art class is based on line, shape, color, texture and form, taught by Carol Alvarado. Classes meet at the college office from 3:30-5 p.m. Wednesdays, Oct. 6, 13, 20, 27 and Nov. 3. The cost is $35 plus a $15 supply fee paid to the instructor.

Students will complete an art project based on one of the art elements during each class session. Activities will include painting, drawing, collage and clay. Children should bring a painting shirt. Alvarado has been a professional artist for 33 years.

To register, call 257-2120 or visit ENMU at 709 Mechem Drive.

State ACT scores gain

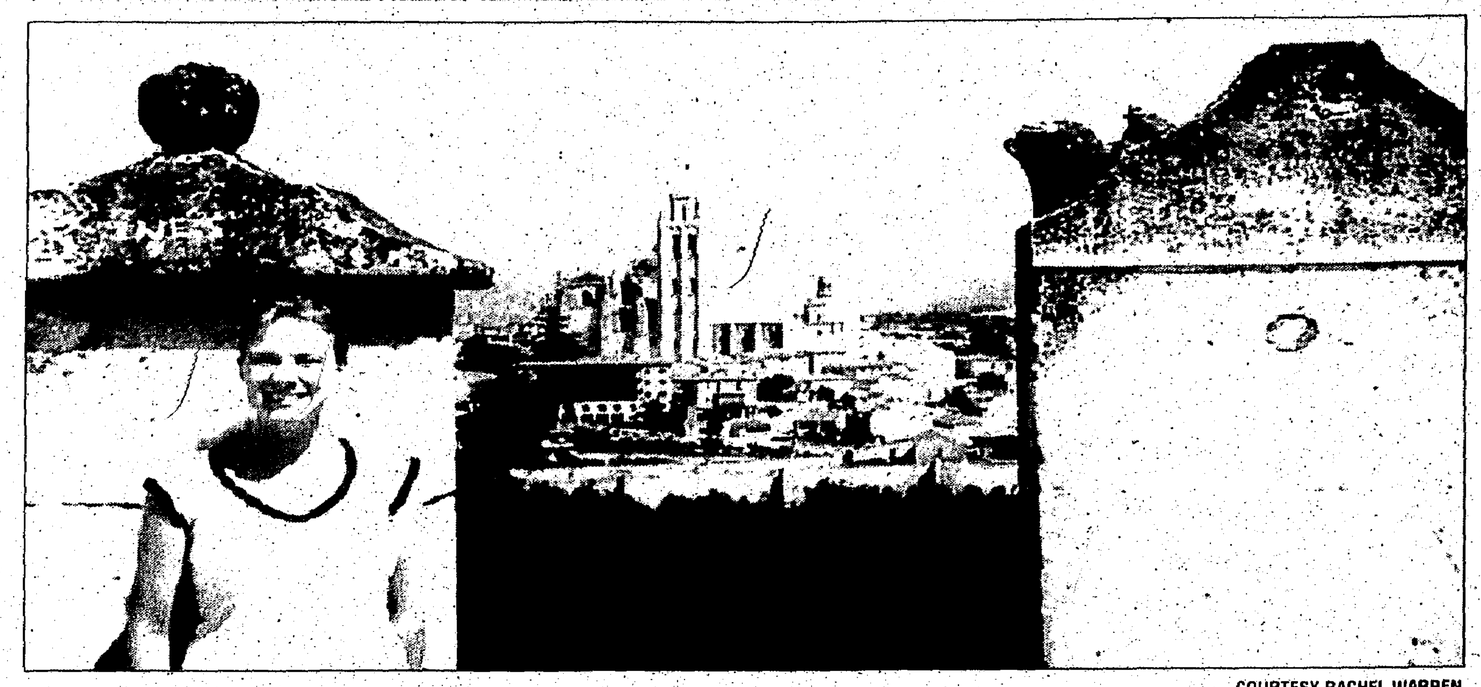
New Mexico's ACT scores and participation rose in 2004, with 60 percent scoring high enough to succeed in college English classes but only 29 percent likely to succeed in freshman algebra classes and 21 percent in college biology classes.

A release by the New Mexico Public Education Department said 11,912 students took the American College Test, an increase of 41 over the number in 2003.

The state's composite score is 20.1, compared to 19.9 in 2003. Native American composite scores grew to 17.0, compared to 16.5 in 2003.

Scores were higher for the 51 percent who took the core courses, 21.3 for those who took core courses compared with 18.6 for those who did not.

Core courses include four years minimum of English, three years or more of math (including Algebra I and II and geometry), three or more years of social studies and three or more years of natural sciences.



COURTESY RACHEL WARREN

Rachel Warren spent six weeks in Spain this summer, staying with a native family, taking an intensive Spanish class and learning the history and customs of the country. Here, she is in the city of Segovia.

CATCH UP

A college girl from Ruidoso spends a summer in Spain, and finds that catching up on Spanish isn't easy — but it's educational

BY SANDY SUGGITT
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Rachel Warren hadn't studied Spanish since she was 14, but she went to Spain for a six-week intensive, college-sophomore level Spanish class this summer.

Warren, a senior at Texas Tech University in Lubbock and a Ruidoso High School graduate, knew she'd be behind everyone else in the program but went anyway, staying with a Spanish family in Sevilla, attending classes from 9 a.m. to noon and then studying four to five hours a day.

"I hadn't had Spanish since age 14 at ENMU and I knew I was going to be the one that knew nothing, but I did it anyway," she said. "It was a challenge to see if I could tough it out and be with nobody I knew for six weeks.

"I survived. It made me a stronger person."

Warren had more hardships than the other students: When she was about to return home, her bag and passport were stolen on the street, and she had to rely on the kindness of others for a place to stay and money to survive on.

She decided to take the intensive Spanish course thinking it would help with teaching later on. She's studying to be a 4th- through 8th-grade math teacher and will student teach in the spring in Lubbock.

"In group situations I'm pretty much a solo person, and being with 30 girls and eight guys was very emotional," she said. "We did everything together and the last week and a half we left our families and toured Spain. They got hysterical. They were getting mad all the time. It was like being in middle school all over again."

Warren found a way to make lemonade out of that lemon: The experience enabled her to observe other people's emotions. She remembers her own middle school time as very difficult. She plans to teach middle school level so she can help other children.

Besides studying Spanish, on weekends the group of college students visited Madrid, Toledo, Cordova and other places. Although she thought the castles were "neat" when she first arrived in the country, by the time she left she was tired of them, she said.

"Granada was my favorite place. It's very mountainous; they were (snow) skiing and there was a beach not very far away. It was gorgeous. I miss the mountains in Lubbock."

She found the people open-minded and fun, especially her "sister," María, who taught her to flamenco dance.

"It's hard to find a person like that in Lubbock," she said.

She expected hard feelings toward Americans, but instead the Spanish people were curious, she said. She found them more family-oriented, with 80- to 90-year-old people in wheelchairs being pushed around by relatives her age; many people never leave the place they were born.

Clothing styles were totally different from what Warren was used to. Guys wore head bands. For gals, it was normal to have bras showing, a style she characterized as "kind of punkish."

"Girls don't wear shorts there, yet they have topless beaches," Warren said. "You can wear skirts as short as you want to. I was just shocked looking everywhere: There were little kids sitting around with nothing on. It's no big deal there. I liked it."

Warren brushed up on her Spanish, toured Spain and learned to ask for help and be "at the mercy of everybody," an experience that changed and strengthened her, and one she recommends; however, she suggests an entire semester instead of six weeks.

COURTESY RACHEL WARREN

Rachel is shown here with members of the family she stayed with in Sevilla: left is Trudy López; right, María López.

SCHOOL MENUS

Capitan Schools

Wednesday, Aug. 25 — Breakfast: Ham bar, cinnamon toast, fruit or fruit juice, milk
Lunch: Lasagna, corn dog, carrot and celery sticks with dressing, garlic roll, fruit
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Lunch: Barbecue sandwich, Tater Tots, broccoli, applesauce
Friday, Aug. 27 — Breakfast: Cereal, cinnamon roll, fruit or fruit juice, milk
Lunch: Cheeseburgers, Chix patty burger, Tater Tots, hamburger fixings, fruit
Monday, Aug. 30 — Breakfast: Sausage, biscuits and gravy, fruit or fruit juice, milk
Lunch: Taco salad, soft beef tacos, salad fixings, pinto beans, fruit
Tuesday, Aug. 31 — Breakfast: Peanut butter and jelly sandwich, fruit or fruit juice, milk
Lunch: Pizza, burritos, salad with dressing, fruit, August birthday cake

Carrizozo Schools

(Grades 6-12 start Aug. 25; K-5 start Aug. 30; and preschool and Head Start start Aug. 30.)
Wednesday, Aug. 25 — Breakfast: French toast sticks with syrup, milk, cold cereal
Lunch: Taco salad, pinto beans, peaches
Thursday, Aug. 26 — Breakfast: Cheese toast, milk, cold cereal
Lunch: Frito pie, flour tortilla, corn, applesauce
Friday, Aug. 27 — Breakfast: Waffles with syrup, milk, cold cereal
Lunch: Deli sub sandwich, salad, pickle spear, chilled fruit
Monday, Aug. 30 — Breakfast: English muffins with jelly, milk, cold cereal
Lunch: Tacos, salad, pinto beans, pineapple
Tuesday, Aug. 31 — Breakfast: Wheat toast with jelly, milk, cold cereal
Lunch: Chicken nuggets, fries, rolls, peaches

Ruidoso Schools

Elementary schools

Wednesday, Aug. 25 — Breakfast: Muffin, yogurt, apple, milk
Lunch: Lasagna, green beans, celery sticks with peanut butter, diced peaches, cookie
Thursday, Aug. 26 — Breakfast: Egg and cheese biscuit, orange wedge, milk
Lunch: Barbecue sandwich, Tater Tots, broccoli, applesauce, milk
Friday, Aug. 27 — Breakfast: Cereal, graham cracker, orange wedge, milk
Lunch: Warrior Burger, seasoned fries, hamburger fixings, applesauce, milk
Monday, Aug. 30 — Breakfast: Cereal, graham cracker, apple half, milk
Lunch: Chicken soft tacos, Spanish rice, tossed salad, milk, fruit cup
Lunch: Beef tacos, Spanish rice, tossed salad, milk, Orange Smiles
Tuesday, Aug. 31 — Breakfast: Waffle Stix, SunButter cup, apple half, milk
Lunch: Pizza, corn, tossed salad, Orange Smiles, milk

Ruidoso Middle School

Wednesday, Aug. 25 — Breakfast: Scrambled eggs and toast, cheese quesadillas, donut, fruit or fruit juice, milk
Lunch: Green chili enchiladas, Santa Fe rice, beans, pudding cup, salad
Thursday, Aug. 26 — Breakfast: Donut, biscuit and gravy, manager's choice, fruit or fruit juice, milk
Lunch: Taco salad, corn, salsa, cookie, fruit
Friday, Aug. 27 — Breakfast: Biscuit and gravy, egg and potato burrito, cinnamon toast, fruit or fruit juice, milk
Lunch: Bean burrito, spicy fries, salad, fruit
Monday, Aug. 30 — Breakfast: Egg and cheese biscuit, French toast sticks, manager's choice, fruit or fruit juice, milk
Lunch: Barbecue sandwich, potato puffs, salad, apple halves
Lunch: Beef tacos, Spanish rice, tossed salad, milk, Orange Smiles
Tuesday, Aug. 31 — Breakfast: Donut, scrambled eggs and toast, manager's choice, fruit or fruit juice, milk
Lunch: Spaghetti with meat sauce, corn, roll, salad, spice cake, fruit

Ruidoso High School

Wednesday, Aug. 25 — Breakfast: Donut, scrambled eggs with toast, manager's choice
Lunch: Spaghetti with meat sauce, corn, roll, salad, fruited Jell-O
Thursday, Aug. 26 — Breakfast: Cheese quesadillas, donut, cinnamon toast
Lunch: Cheesy beef macaroni, green beans, roll, salad, pudding cup
Friday, Aug. 27 — Breakfast: Scrambled eggs and toast, cheese quesadillas, donut
Lunch: Grilled ham and cheese sandwich, chips, pickle spear, fruit, Jell-O
Monday, Aug. 30 — Breakfast: Toast and peanut butter, manager's choice, French toast sticks
Lunch: Pork roast, mashed potatoes, carrots, roll, tossed salad, fruit
Lunch: Beef tacos, Spanish rice, tossed salad, milk, Orange Smiles
Tuesday, Aug. 31 — Breakfast: Donut, biscuit and gravy, manager's choice
Lunch: Dijon meat loaf, mashed potatoes with cheddar, spinach, roll, fruit, cookie

SMILES ON OPENING DAY

SANDY SUGGITT/STAFF

People in the food line in the Ruidoso Middle School cafeteria looked pretty happy on the first day of school.

New ENMU-Ruidoso classes study region's drought

Eastern New Mexico University-Ruidoso will offer two college courses related to regional water issues and the southwestern desert/mountain environment for area residents concerned about the multiyear drought, beginning Monday.

GEOL 293, "Topics: Hydrogeology," will be taught by geological consultant and collegiate instructor Keri Miyoshi on Thursdays from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. The course will focus on the sources, distribution movement and disturbance of surface and ground water, using illustrations from the southcentral mountain region. Field trips will be a part of this course.

BIOL 293, "Biological Adaptations to the Desert Environment," will be taught by biologist and college instructor John Waters, covering issues such as characteristics of desert environments, plant/grass adaptations, and fire ecology. The course is offered Tuesdays from 5:30 to 8:45 p.m. beginning Aug. 31. Three Saturday field trips will be required for the desert biology class.

For more information, or to register, contact the ENMU office at (505) 257-2120, or toll free outside of the local calling area at (800) 934-3668.

Other new courses are listed in "Education Briefs" on page 6A.

Power company gives boost to teachers

Each year, Texas-New Mexico Power Company sets aside funds for teachers in grades K-8 for classroom initiatives focusing on math, science and energy education. The funds become $200 teacher mini-grants that are awarded based on applications submitted by teachers in schools served by TNMP.

Applications for the TNMP mini-grants are now available at local schools in the company's New Mexico service area. Completed applications must be submitted no later than Oct.29, to be eligible.

"We are proud to play a part in educating the youth in our community," said Jim Bassett of TNMP, in a news release. "These mini-grants are just one way TNMP participates in supporting our schools and the vital role they play in the lives of our students."

The grants provide funds for additional classroom resources to enhance learning. One focus of the mini-grant program is on energy awareness, conservation and the importance of using energy resources wisely.

"The teacher mini-grant program is one of several TNMP-sponsored programs for community development," Bassett said. "We enjoy working with individuals throughout the community to determine where our resources can have a meaningful impact."

In addition to the mini-grant program, TNMP also has a student scholarship program and a community-support program aimed at volunteers. This program supports employees and retirees who share their time, talents and money with local community organizations.

Hometown Challenge is a matching contributions program TNMP offers.

This program will match up to $5,000 per project of customer donations made through bill payments or local organizations fundraising efforts to support community initiatives nominated by TNMP customers.

To learn more about any of TNMP's community-based support programs, contact the local office or consult the company Web site, www.tnmp.com.

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Mrs. Mason's Kindergarten
1 box of crayons, 24 count
1 box of large washable markers
1 container of watercolors
1 package of No. 2 pencils
1 package of eraser tops
1 bottle of glue
2 glue sticks
1 pair scissors (Fiskars preferred)
1 box of Kleenex
1 container of wipes
2 spiral notebooks
1 backpack
$10 activity fee

Mrs. Romero's Kindergarten
1 4 oz. bottle of Elmer's school glue
1 pkg. of No. 2 pencils
1 backpack- big enough to carry a folder (no suitcase style with wheels, please)
1 pair of scissors, Fiskar's brand
1 regular size box of Kleenex tissues
1 small school box
2 glue sticks (Elmer's or Pental brand)
1 box of sandwich or quart size plastic baggies
$10 activity fee for field trips and graduation
Please label the school items with your child's name.

Mrs. Gutierrez's Rabbit Class
1 box of 8 crayons
2 large glue sticks
1 bottle of Elmer's Glue
1 pair of scissors
1 package of markers — 8
2 packages of pencils
1 bottle of hand sanitizer
1 box of Ziplock qt. size baggies
1 box Kleenex
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2 botellas de resistol Elmer de 4 oz.
1 cuaderno de rayas do 50 hojas
2 cajas de Kleenex
1 cola de bolsas "Ziploc" de gallon
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Mrs. Forrest's Koala Classroom
8 Crayons, regular sized
2 Pencils
School Box
Elmer's Glue
2 Pental/Elmer's Glue Stick
Large box tissue
Spiral Notebook, 70 pages
Scissors (Fiskar)
Backpack
$10 Activity Fee

Ms. Enriquez's Kindergarten
1 pair of Fiskar brand scissors
2 Bottles of Elmer's glue
3 Packages of Glue Sticks (2 per package)
2 Boxes of Kleenex
1 box of gallon-sized plastic bags
1 box of sandwich-sized plastic bags
1 box of thick markers
1 backpack, big enough to carry a folder; no suitcase style w/wheels, please)

Mrs. Donna Bowen's Bear Classroom
1 Kleenex Tissues - regular box size
1 set - 16 count Crayola brand washable color paints
1 Box - 16 count Crayola brand crayons
2 .88 oz. Elmer's Washable Gel glue sticks
1 pkg. 12- No. 2 Pencils
1 Plastic pocket folder (no brads)
1 Backpack
1 Activity fee, $10
Scissors will be provided by the classroom.

Mrs. Blank's Classroom
1 pkg. of No. 2 pencils
2 boxes ot Crayola brand crayons, 8 count
1 tray of Prang (or similar brand) washable watercolors (8 colors)
1 bottle of Elmer's Washable School Glue (4 oz. size)
1 small 3-ring binder (holds 5 1/2" X 8 1/2" paper)
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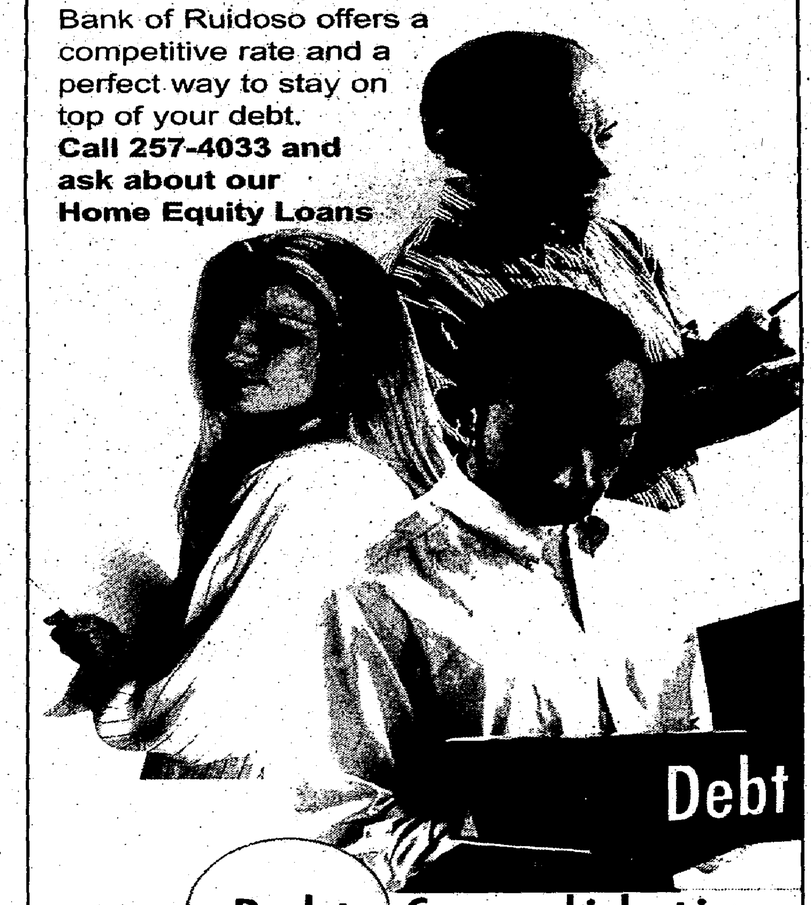

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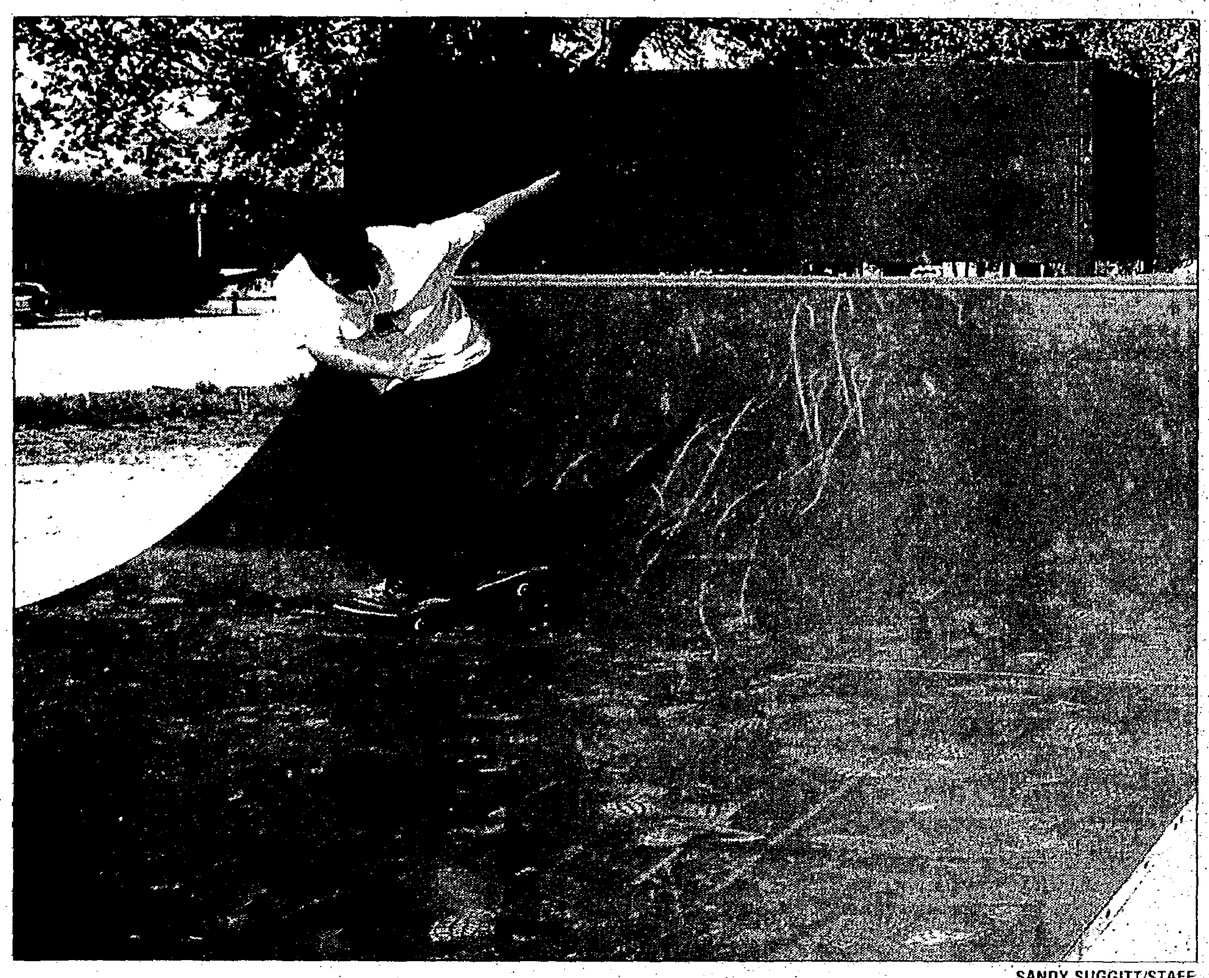

SANDY SUGGITT/STAFF

Zeke Sanchez, 14, was skateboarding with his friend Paul Contreras, 15, at the new skatepark as soon as the work crew finished last Thursday. "It's pretty exciting," Zeke said. "It's the first thing that's happened big for the kids."

Downs' skatepark a hit

BY MARTY RACINE
RUIDOSO NEWS EDITOR

Adults and kids in the Downs agree one one thing: The new skateboard park, completed last week across Highway 70 from City Hall, is cool.

"I'm glad to see this skateboard park and that the children are using it," resident Jim Burrow told the City Council Monday.

"And what has been nice – I've driven by there several times, and every time I've seen one of our police officers over there talking to the kids. I think that is wonderful, that the kids in this community can associate with a police officer and not be scared of him."

Prior to the park's existence, skateboarders were blamed for damage to the lobby of the U.S. Post Office across the street.

Bonnie Richardson, chair of the Parks & Recreation Committee, told the council, "We are just so thrilled to have this in Ruidoso Downs. The kids have been like little hummingbirds over there. There are so many of them. They are so busy; they are everywhere.

"They have so much energy, and it's just great that our city has done something. The fact that we can pay attention to the needs of our young people...is so important.

"I want to thank you on behalf of our young people."

Body of firefighter found

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

The body of firefighter Bob Palko was found early Tuesday. He apparently died of a self-inflicted gun shot, Lincoln County Sheriff Tom Sullivan said.

A former teacher, a fire technician with the U.S. Forest Service and a decorated fire fighter with the Bonito Volunteer Fire Department, Palko was reported missing by his wife, Cheryl, about 9 p.m. Sunday when he didn't return home from work, the sheriff said.

He was last seen alive in the Capitan Mountains.

"I'm told he had been depressed lately," Sullivan said.

"A Forest Service employee found the body at the Baca Campsite about 10 a.m. Monday. A handgun was found nearby."

His body was sent to the Office of the Medical Examiner for autopsy, Sullivan said.

Harvey Twite, who also volunteers with Bonito, said Palko at one time served as assistant chief of the department and he was captain of the unit on which Twite serves.

"It's hard to believe," Twite said Tuesday.

"I'm out doing what Bob would normally would be doing today."

FUNERALS DEATHS

Richard Dean Williams

Visitation for Richard Dean Williams Sr., of Pahrump, Nev., will be from 4-6 p.m. Thursday, at LaGrone Funeral Chapel in Ruidoso, with funeral services at 10 a.m. on Friday in the Capitan Church of Christ, with Leslie Earwood officiating. Burial will follow at the Angus Cemetery.

Mr. Williams died Friday, Aug. 20, 2004, in Las Vegas, Nev.

He was born May 27, 1938, in Cushing, Texas.

He lived in Lincoln County from 1984 until 1988. He was a member of the Elks and Moose lodges and retired from the California Race Track System in September of 2001.

He married Sharon E. Jones in July of 1972 in Houston, Texas.

Survivors include his wife, Sharon; of Pahrump, Nev.; a son, Richard Dean Williams Jr. of Vancouver, Wash.; a daughter, Candysan Fender, of Awendaw, S.C.; four grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

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

Elmergene Radtke

A service for Elmergene (Gene, the Glencoe Store El Gringo) Radtke, 66, of Tucson, Ariz., will be at St. Jude's Catholic Church at 10 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 28, with Deacon Ben Vigil officiating.

Mr. Radtke died Saturday, July 31, 2004, at his home, surrounded by family and friends.

Survivors include his bride of 46 years, Orlidia Sanchez Radtke.

Charlie L. Burch

A graveside service for Charlie L. Burch, 79, of Capitan was Friday at the Burch Family Cemetery north of Capitan, with the Rev. Mel Gnathowski officiating.

Mr. Burch died Monday, Aug. 16, 2004, at his home.

He was born May 2, 1925, in Springerville, Ariz.

He lived in Lincoln County all of his life.

He served in the Army during World War II. He worked at White Sands Missile Range and retired in 1967. He was a member of the American Legion at Jemez Springs and a member of the Baptist Church.

Survivors include sons Orvel Burch, Everett Burch and Tillman M. Burch, all of Capitan; a daughter, Charlene Brakeman, of Roswell; brothers Tillman A. Burch of Nogal and Alvin S. Burch of Capitan; 11 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a son, James Ray Burch, and two sisters.

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POOP SCOOP

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

My first allegiance is to the abandoned and neglected animals right here in Lincoln County, but pets in Florida also need help.

Officials with the Humane Society of the United States issued updates, saying within hours of Hurricane Charley hitting the Punta Gorda area, Disaster Animal Rescue Teams arrived on the scene.

By Sunday night, 30 volunteers set up an emergency animal relief center in the town, taking in rescued, displaced and injured animals, reuniting lost pets with their families, and caring for animals until they could be transferred to local animal shelters.

By early Monday, the numbers were in – more than $11 billion in insured damaged, a million residents without power, more than 2,300 people living in temporary shelters and 23 dead.

Even with damaged roadways, downed telephone lines and impaired cell phone service, the HSUS and local humane organizations in the region moved ahead to set up the relief centers, secure veterinary supplies, and called in tractor trailers to provide space and alternate power sources.

The foal point for emergency animal care in Charlotte County is a temporary facility in a sports/recreation complex in Punta Gorda called Carmelita Park, about a mile away from the county's Emergency Operations Center.

The temporary facility takes in found animals as well as pets whose owners are displaced and voluntarily surrender them. Horses and livestock were placed on a series of baseball fields across the street, until longer term placement could be found.

The goal, of course, is to reunite all lost animals with their families.

HSUS-affiliated DART teams also are active in Charlotte, DeSoto, Polk, Hardee, Sarasota and Manatee counties.

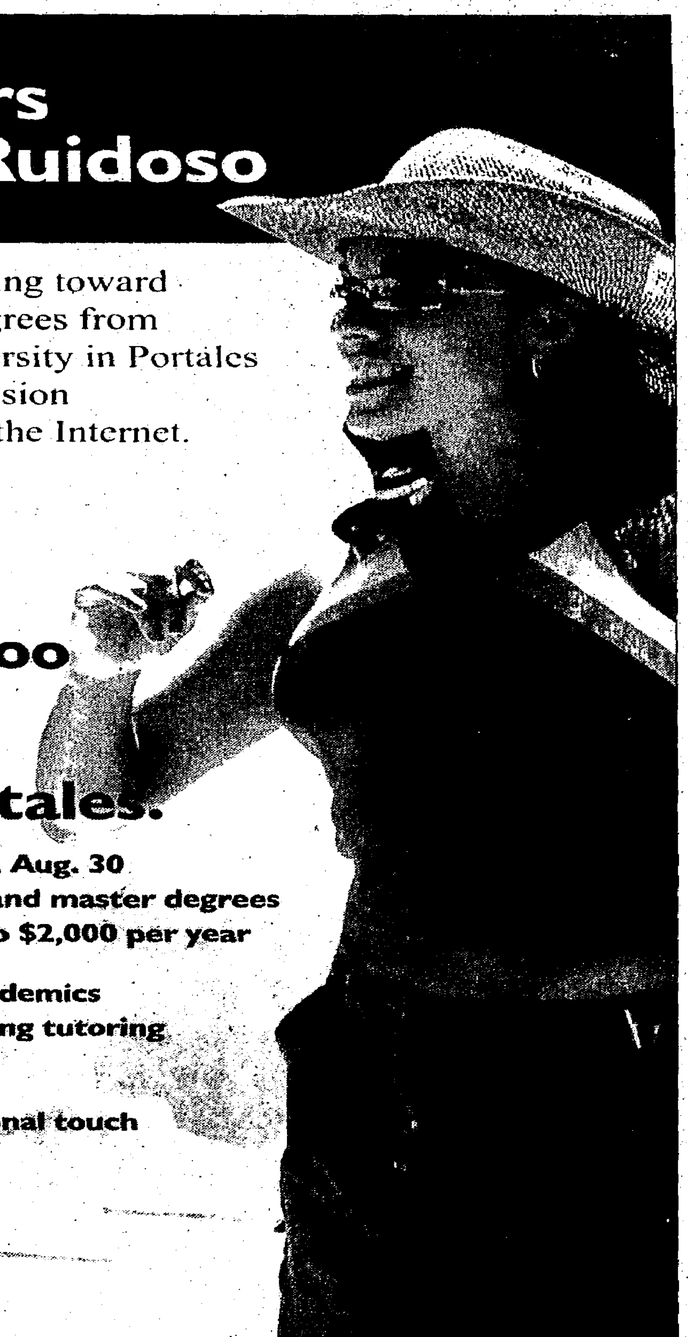
"It's important for people whose homes are uninhabitable to find temporary shelter for their animals," said Anne Culver, director of disaster services for the HSUS. "Please don't leave your animals behind. If your house is not habitable for you, it's not for your pets. Some of the saddest scenes we encounter are animals left behind by owners."

The real hero to date, said Laura Bevans, director of HSUS's Southeast Regional Office, is a member of the Sumter County DART team who owns a research company and was able to send several vehicles, including an air-conditioned tractor-trailer, an air-conditioned RV with several rooms, another trailer with tools and generators, even a horse trailer.

For more information or to donate to the rescue effort, call 202-452-1100, or write the HSUS at 2100 L. Street NM, Washington DC 20037.

ENMU offers courses in Ruidoso

You can take courses counting toward bachelor's and master's degrees from Eastern New Mexico University in Portales through Instructional Television at ENMU-Ruidoso or over the Internet.



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Popping a top for charity

Volunteers haul aluminum to Albuquerque in support of the Ronald McDonald House

■ Plastic tubs full of soft-drink tabs weighed up to 145 pounds

BY KEITH GREEN
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Maury St. John and Mariella Levinson hauled something like 203,000 aluminum pop-tops to Albuquerque last weekend, the first stage in an ongoing effort to help support the Ronald McDonald House.

That's the national enterprise sponsored by the hamburger chain which since 1974 has provided low-cost, convenient accommodations for the parents of hospitalized children.

The sale of pop-tops from soft drink and other aluminum cans is part of the national Ronald McDonald fund-raising effort.

"They get like 45 cents per pound for the aluminum," St. John said.

"It's not a lot," she added, "but every dollar helps keep those houses going."

The Albuquerque house is on Yale Boulevard not far from Presbyterian Hospital. It is one of more than 220 such facilities around the world.

Combined, those houses provide more than 5,000 rooms for family accommodations.

St. John and Levinson are the nurses who operate the Ruidoso clinic of New Mexico Oncology Hematology Consultants at 208 Porr Drive.

After learning of the program, they began to put the word out in January that they would take anybody's pop-tops and put them to good use.

> **"I'd like to see every store in the county that sells canned drinks put a jar or something on the counter, and encourage patrons to save those tabs."**
>
> **Maury St. John**
> oncology nurse

Since the Ruidoso clinic serves cancer patients from a large part of south-central New Mexico – from Las Cruces to Roswell and beyond – it didn't take long for clients and their families to start dropping off the ubiquitous bits of aluminum.

A family member who brings a patient from Hatch once a week never fails to bring a Ziploc bag full of tabs.

Contributors are plentiful in Ruidoso. Long's United Drug was one of the first to join the effort. Ruidoso Downs Race Track and Casino has supported the campaign, as have many other enterprises.

School dances and other scheduled events for students have added to the flow.

In addition, many members of the clinic's "chemo club" are regular contributors.

"I'd like to see every store in the county that sells canned drinks put a jar or something on the counter, and encourage patrons to save those tabs," St. John said.

By last Friday, the clinic had collected two and a half large plastic tubs full, estimated at about 145 pounds.

Then it was time to take them to the nearest Ronald McDonald House.

"They were glad to see us," St. John said this week.

"We got a tour of the house – absolutely spotless – and it wasn't hard to decide to continue the project," she said.

On Tuesday, one of those plastic tubs at the clinic had a layer of aluminum tabs in the bottom. Only 200,000 or more to go.

KEITH GREEN/STAFF

Oncology nurses Mariella Levinson, left, and Maury St. John loaded up some 145 pounds of aluminum tabs from soft drink cans on Friday, and the next day delivered them to the Ronald McDonald House.

Village: Airport doesn't need an advisory board

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Ruidoso's municipal airport appears to be operating smoothly and routinely receives federal grants, village officials say.

An advisory board isn't necessary, Ruidoso councilors decided earlier this month.

Mayor Leon Eggleston said he placed a discussion on the council's agenda because he received a call from a resident suggesting that an advisory board might be helpful. A previous board was dissolved when Sierra Blanca Regional Airport was created northeast of the village, and the former airport site was converted into a golf course, convention center and hotel complex.

Airport manager Tim Morris said that committee really was formed as a study entity with representatives from other municipalities in the county.

"Each one had a representative, but when they decided not to financial support the airport project, the Ruidoso Village Council became the advisory board," Morris said.

Morris said he headed the airport until 1990, when another individual was hired, but Morris was brought back in 1995. By then the advisory board already was not functioning.

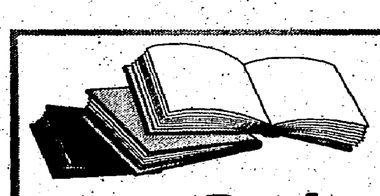
"I know the Federal Aviation Administration, state agencies and officials and others and I have no problem getting grant money," Morris said. "I don't know what the function of a board would be."

Councilor L. Ray Nunley said the airport, "is probably the best small airport in the Southwest. It gets more grant money than any other department. We're a pretty good advisory board."

Morris used the discussion to clear up a misconception he said he encounters with the public. The grant money doesn't come from taxpayer support, the money comes from aviation-related user or commodity fees such as taxes on airline tickets, fuel and facility charges.

"It's all developed within the aviation community," he said. "If you don't fly, not a penny of your money is going into (the grant money)."

The current federal funding level is 95 percent, with the state picking up 2.5 percent and the village the remaining 2.5 percent. The village also collects gross receipts taxes on the cost of the projects and gets that money back, Morris said, bringing the actual village portion closer to 1.25 percent.



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First Annual Sephardic Conference

The First Annual Sephardic Conference is scheduled for Friday through Sunday in Ruidoso.

Activities begin at 6 p.m. with a dance class, followed by Shabbat and dinner at 7:30 p.m., at the Bat Zion Hebrew Learning Center Inc., next to Hosanna's Glass and the Judaica shop on Sudderth Drive near the intersection with Country Club Drive.

A catered breakfast Saturday is set for 9 a.m., followed by Shabbat Service at 10:30 a.m. A catered lunch is scheduled for 1 p.m., with speaker Dell Sanchez at 2 p.m.

Fellowship time is listed at 5 p.m. with more from Dell Sanchez at 6:30 p.m., and Havdala at 7:30 p.m.

A catered breakfast will be served at 9 a.m., Sunday, Rabbi Uri Harrel will speak at 10:30 a.m. A catered lunch is set for 12:30 a.m. and Harrel will continue at 2 p.m. and again at 4:30 p.m. after a break. The conference will close at 6:30 p.m.

Reservations are $95 per person, or $35 for children under 11 years old. For reservations, call Sierra Blanca Cabins at 1-866-262-2103.

IBERIA'S wanderers

■ A Ruidoso woman, in search of her roots, found that those roots were buried deep in Spain, and that her heritage was Jewish —one of the millions of descendants of those forced into Catholicism during the Spanish Inquisition.

DIANNE STALLINGS/STAFF

Sonya Loya here is surrounded by the symbols she has come to realize is part of her Jewish heritage.

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Raised a Catholic, Sonya Loya was mystified at times about the strong pull she felt toward the Jewish culture.

"I had dreams of living in Israel," she said. "I even named my daughter, who will turn 20 this year, Rachel Hosanna without knowing our heritage."

At 18, when she started her spiritual quest, she had never heard the word "Sephardic." But years later, her life now is focused on her own reawakening to her spiritual roots and on helping others, who were stripped of their religion during the Spanish Inquisition, find their way home.

She leased the space next to her Hosanna's Glass Works Inc. business on Sudderth Drive and opened the Bat Zion Hebrew Learning Center. The first of what she intends as an annual Sephardic Conference is scheduled for Friday through Sunday at the center.

"The term Sephardic means 'forced to bend the knee,'" she explained. Jewish families living on the Iberian peninsula were forced to convert to Catholicism or flee in 1492, and many were expelled from Spain 150 years later, in 1642.

"For 500 years, my family has been Catholic," Loya said. "I was the first to say, 'No, this isn't real.'"

She attended her first Jewish conference in northern New Mexico in 1999, and heard the term "Sephardic Converso."

"I began my journey into my ancestry and found out that most Spanish descendants, especially with names ending in 'ez' were all Jews," Loya said.

Often family members weren't aware of their heritage until they received the word as a death-bed message from a parent or grandparent, she said.

"They were afraid they and their children would be killed," she said. ""It always has been a big family secret."

In October 2002, Loya said she woke about 3 a.m. and heard in her head, "Rejoice eighth daughter of Zion, your salvation has come."

She went to her parents in January 2004 to get their blessing to move forward with the learning center, Loya said. "My dad admitted he'd known since he was six that he was Jewish," she said.

Finally, some strange family traditions made sense, she said. They were Jewish rituals passed down through generations but without the religious connection, she said, such as lighting candles on Friday night and baking bread on Friday.

Spiritual guides for Loya included Dell F. Sanchez, Ph.D., and author of *Aliyah!, the Exodus Continues*, and *El Ultimo Exodo*, and mentor Danny Ben-Gigi, who she met at the 1999 conference, and is a former professor of Hebrew studies and a publisher.

Dell, one of the main speakers at the conference this weekend, spent 24 years as a pastor, including time in the poorest barrio in San Antonio, Texas, and he established a Christian educational television station.

In 1996, his father disclosed the family secret of his Sephardic Jewish roots, a secret kept from his father for 77 years. Sanchez threw himself into research, wrote five books and, with his wife, focused on taking the message to Latinos across the Americas, Caribbean and Spain (Iberia). He's convinced that most of the 66 million Sephardic Jews are scattered in those regions.

Although she had been selling related books, CDs and other items on a small scale, Loya in February turned a portion of her store into the Judaica Shop, where she added a full line of literature, music, Shabbat candles, Jewish art, Shofar (horns from Kudo in Africa, which are played for different reasons at different times of the year, and other religious accessories.

"It was the sound of the Shofar for the call of battle that brought down the walls of Jericho," she said.

That same month, she put together a conference featuring the founder of the Biblical Hebrew Center in Phoenix, Ariz., and in March provided the setting for the first Sephardic Torah service with Canter Bill Radcliff and Rabbi Ed Madson from Beth Israel in El Paso. They now come to Ruidoso twice a month, the first and third Saturday, to perform services.

Loya considers the "discovery" of Sephardic Jews as fulfillment of the prophesy that God scattered his people to the four corners of the world, but in the last days, He will gather them.

Loya said she spends much of her time each day trying to create a safe place for other Sephardic Jews to return to the practice of Abraham, Isaiah and Jacob, and to continue learning. She also has adopted a Jewish name, Sinia, selected by Ben-Gigi.

"It's the female version of Mt. Sinai and close to Sonya, which contains the Hebrew "y," which means life," Loya explained, noting how well the name fits her surroundings. The finishing touch was the section of the Torah scheduled to be read the day the name was bestowed, one selection for the whole year, and it dealt with Mt. Sinai.

Loya is hoping that people, – especially those with names ending in "ez," such as Sanchez and Chavez, listed as Sephardic roots – take the time to look at their history and "find out who you really are."

Although Loya said she had been dismayed at the relatively small worldwide Jewish population in view of God's Old Testament promise to Abraham of his seed multiplying, when she read Sanchez's estimate of 66 million scattered Sephardic Jews, she called her mentor and said, "It looks like God keeps his promises after all."

For more information, call Loya at 257-0122.

looking back

LINCOLN COUNTY SCRAPBOOK

AUG. 27, 1954

Blast wrecks trailer

An explosion at 4:30 a.m. Monday demolished a furnished, but unoccupied, auto trailer parked in the rear of ... El Patio Courts in Skyland. J. A. Hawkins, owner of the trailer and of the courts, said he thought butane might have been the cause of the explosion...

The trailer had been occupied for two nights last week... Hawkins said it was a miracle that no one was in it at the time of the explosion.

AUG. 28, 1964

Rockefeller to speak

Merle H. Tucker, Republican candidate for governor of New Mexico, announced last weekend that Winthrop Rockefeller, Arkansas industrialist and candidate for governor of Arkansas, will be the principal speaker at the All-State Candidate Rally on Sunday, Sept. 20, in Ruidoso.

AUG. 30, 1974

Airport upgrade funded

U.S. Sen. Pete Domenici Monday announced a grant of $106,041 to the Village of Ruidoso for work to be done at the Ruidoso Municipal Airport.

Domenici ... said it will be used to repair runway 18-36 at the airport. Airport manager Frank Potter said Monday afternoon that the project "is basically a face lift and will benefit our turbine and jet aircraft traffic."

AUG. 30, 1984

RLT 'Drunkard' succeeds

Ruidoso Little Theatre performed "The Drunkard" in Lincoln for the past two weekends. The play, staged at the Billy the Kid Pageant grounds, has been held over for a final performance this Friday at 8 p.m.

The play is a moral melodrama in which the audience is encouraged to cheer the hero and boo the villain. Popcorn is provided for throwing at the bad guy...

SEPT. 1, 1994

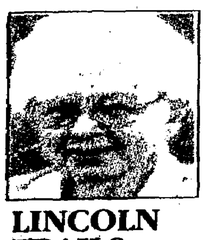
New school to open

A school for students whose needs are not being met in the traditional classroom setting will open Tuesday in Ruidoso.

It's taken more than a year of effort and $150,000 from the State Legislature to put together the Gavilan Canyon School, but education director and teacher Karen Taylor has no doubts it was worth the work.

Enrollment will be limited to 15 students.

Two weeks' worth of wild weather pounds the county



LINCOLN TRAILS
ROSALIE DUNLAP

What a past two weeks! We have seen severe thunder, lightning, hail, tornadoes, and flooding in Lincoln County.

The Arabela area people sighted a funnel cloud that did not seem to hit ground, hail and flooding. The Corona area had a tornado and hail that did quite a bit of damage. There was roof damage, broken windows from the golf-ball size hail, and a water tank on top of one hill ended upside down on an adjacent hilltop.

North of Carrizozo there was so much hail on the road to their home the Bill Hightower family had difficulty getting home.

The Rex Wilson family, of Ancho, arrived home from the county fair and found windows in the home broken and their beautiful garden in ruins from the hail.

There was flooding on Highway 380 east of Capitan near the turnoff to Lone Tree Ranch. Husband Ralph was coming home after dark and didn't see the water across the road in time. He reported that he hydroplaned about 30 feet.

But it has rained, and the country is beautifully green. The grass is short, but at least it will have a growing season.

Another County Fair has come and gone. There were so many entries by our county people. The flower and art show was large. The art show is getting better and bigger each year and will need more room to expand. There were so many handicrafts entered — quilts, woodworking- and others.

Lincoln town was well represented in the flower/herb show, bringing home a number of ribbons.

The "Starry Night in Lincoln" had to compete with the thunder and lightning. After enjoying the lamburgers on the lawn of the Wortley Hotel everyone journeyed to the Pageant grounds for a slide show on Saturn. The astronomers didn't quite finish their presentation when the rain began.

Dan Eagan's mother passed away in Pennsylvania recently

Chuck Rominger, of Carrizozo, is recuperating from his recent surgery. He suffered complications, but is now on the road to recovery. He is in a hospital in Albuquerque.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Chaulk, Alliance. Neb., visited Allan's sister and husband, Rosalie and Ralph Dunlap last week. They spent one day at the fair and then spent the rest of the time visiting Allan's and Rosalie's mother in Roswell.

One of their daughter's cows has produced a second set of twins. She sent a photo of the mother cow and her babies. She is a good mother and the calves are so cute.

What with computer problems and no electricity, I have had a hard time getting this news in.

Jones the trainer to beat in AA Derby

BY TODD FUQUA
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

If there was one piece of advice bettors could follow with impunity during the All American Derby trials at Ruidoso Downs, it was this.

Do not bet against Paul Jones!

A previous Quarter Horse Trainer of the Year, Jones made a serious claim for the same distinction this year with the performance of his horses on Friday.

Of the six trials for the race, a Jones horse won five.

The sixth, Hadtobenuts, is trained by Heath Taylor, who is actually using a part of Jones' barn while at Ruidoso Downs.

In other words, all six trial winners came from the same barn, and Jones easily outpaced any other trainer on the day with a whopping five horses qualifying for the final.

Starting with Dejon in the very first race, a succession of Jones' charges were led to the gate and finished first at the wire, including Cash For Kas, A Regal Choice, Brookstone Bay and last year's Rainbow Futurity winner, Planet Holland.

In fact, Jones' horses kept beating each other out for the fastest time as the day wore on. Brookstone Bay turned out to be the horse to beat, winning the fourth trial with a time of 21.169.

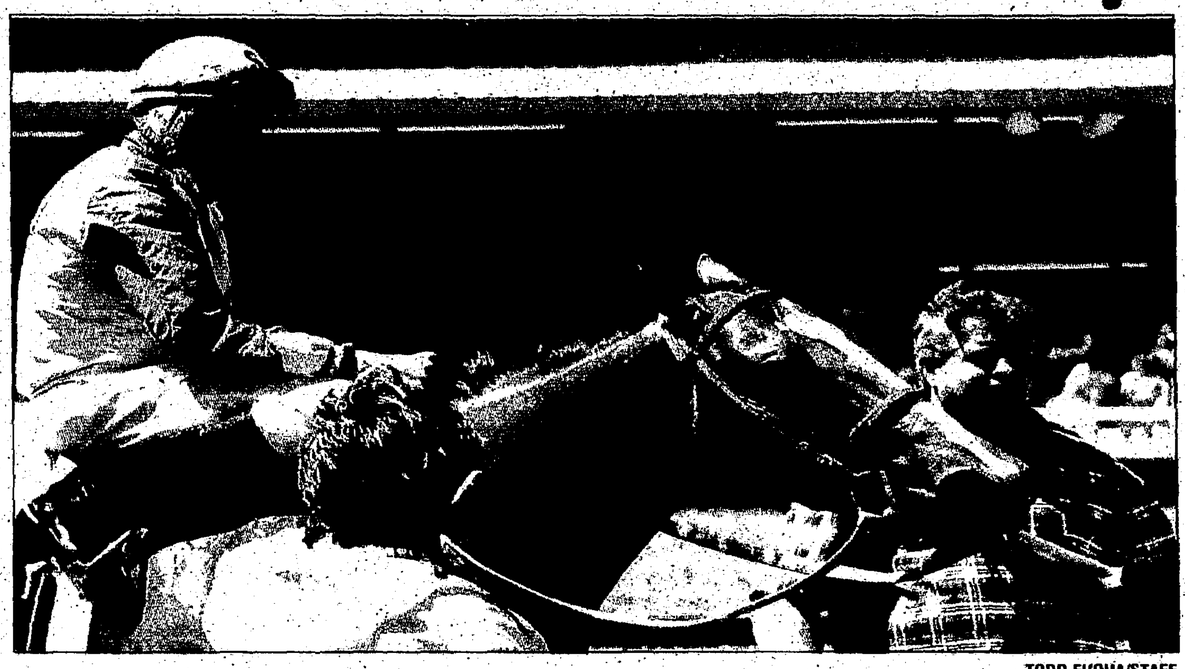
With all the excitement over Jones' representation, almost lost in the mix was the presence of horses trained by other successful trainers such as Jack Brooks, Michael Joiner and Juan Gonzalez.

Brooks has Fashion N Flashin in the final, ridden by Jacky Martin and owned by Jim Pitts and Williams Smith. Joiner saw two of his charges make it — Brimmerton and Sixes Royal.

But the most famous horse of them all to make it was By By JJ, led to the gate by Gonzalez and ridden by J.R. Valenzuela. It's only the second stakes race the gelding has earned since winning last year's All American Futurity This year's derby final — to be run Sept. 5 — also marks a rematch between By By JJ and Planet Holland.

The last time those two met, $2 million was on the line in the All American Futurity.

Of all the horses in the race, Planet Holland has been the most successful, having qualified for both the Ruidoso and Rainbow derbies this summer. Although it was Brimmerton that finished first in the Rainbow.



TODD FUQUA/STAFF

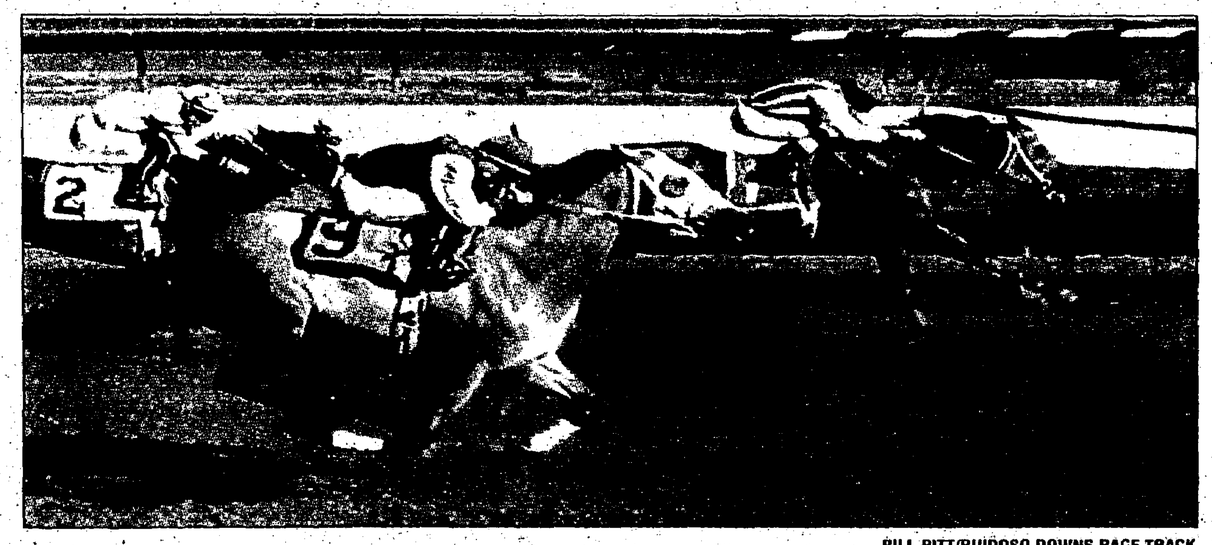
Planet Holland, ridden by Saul Ramirez, is led to the winners circle by trainer Paul Jones during the All American Derby trials Friday at Ruidoso Downs. Planet Holland was the fifth horse trained by Jones to win a trial, and the fifth to qualify for the final, which will be run Sept. 5.

TODD FUQUA/STAFF

Ramirez rides Brookstone Bay to an easy win in the fourth All American Derby trial Friday at Ruidoso Downs. Brookstone Bay's time of 21.169 seconds was the fastest on the day.

TODD FUQUA/STAFF

A Regal Choice finishes ahead of Apollo Babe 123 in the fifth trial for the All American Derby Friday at Ruidoso Downs.



BILL PITT/RUIDOSO DOWNS RACE TRACK

Mighty Invictus, far right, wins his trial for the All American Futurity Thursday at Rudioso Downs. It's the second time this summer the colt has earned the fastest qualifying time for a Quarter Horse Triple Crown race, having done so in the Rainbow Futurity trials in July.

Brooks after another All American victory

Mighty Invictus is fast, but can he best a strong field?

BY TODD FUQUA
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

With a determination he's become known for, Mighty Invictus won his All American Futurity trial by a neck and posted the fastest time Thursday at Ruidoso Downs. It's the second big stakes race in a row that he has been the mightiest in the trials.

So what makes this colt such a horse to beat?

"He's as good as some of the horses I've run with, he's that kind of a horse," said trainer Jack Brooks.

When Brooks makes that claim, you know it's more than just talk. The trainer has led eight horses to the winners circle after the All American Futurity, more than any other.

So if Mighty Invictus is such a strong horse, why did he finish just sixth in the Rainbow Futurity final?

"It was a muddy day, and he didn't get a good break," Brooks said. "But he was running pretty fast at the end. It's just a matter of getting him ready for the gates.

"It all comes down to luck, like always," he added.

Mighty Invictus had the luck on Thursday during the All American trials, earning the time with a win over DM Schicago, crossing the finish line first by only a neck.

While he may have lost his trial, DM Schicago still had a fast enough time to qualify for trainer Carl Draper and owners Freda Draper and Don Moler.

Nor was Mighty Invictus the only qualifier for Jack Brooks, who also led Take Off Jess to the fifth-fastest time on the day.

Other finalists in the $2 million final, to be run on Labor Day, include Separate Secrets, owned by Dutch Masters III and trained by Jaime Gomez, Lasting Episode, a horse which had the fastest time for much of the day before being bested by Separate Secrets, and Ojo Loca, a filly owned by Danny Miller and trained by Brian Muse.

Jerry Lazenby helped to lead Corona Ease into the final, while Paul Jones earned a spot with Devons Signature. Two-time All American winner John Bassett got Have A Coronary in, while Michael Joiner saw Jess Satin earn the final spot.

side line

Prep Results

Friday, Aug. 20
Boys Soccer
Clovis Invitational
Clovis 3, Ruidoso 0

Saturday, Aug. 21
Volleyball
Capitan d. Cloudcroft, 3-0
Boys Soccer
Clovis Invitational
Ruidoso 3, Artesia 0
Aztec 4, Ruidoso 1

Sports on Tap

Thursday, Aug. 26
Volleyball
Capitan at Mescalero, 5 p.m.
Corona at Capitan junior varsity, 5 p.m.
Cloudcroft at Carrizozo, 5 p.m.
Tularosa JV at Hondo, 6 p.m.
Horse Racing
Thoroughbred and quarter horse claiming, maiden and allowance racing at Ruidoso Downs, 1 p.m.

Friday, Aug. 27
Football
Ruidoso at Roswell, 7 p.m.
Melrose at Hondo, 7 p.m.
Navajo Prep at Mescalero, 7 p.m.
Volleyball
Capitan at Texico, 5 p.m.
Soccer
Ruidoso boys/girls at Alamogordo Tournament, TBA
Horse Racing
Thoroughbred and quarter horse claiming, maiden and allowance racing at Ruidoso Downs, 1 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 28
Football
Estancia JV at Capitan, 10 a.m.
Volleyball
Tularosa at Carrizozo, 3 p.m
Capitan at Ruidoso, 6 p.m.
Horse Racing
Thoroughbred and quarter horse claiming, maiden and allowarice racing at Ruidoso Downs, 1 p.m.

Sunday, Aug. 29
Horse Racing
AQHA Professionals Choice Claiming at Ruidoso Downs, 1 p.m.

On Deck

Hispanic State tourney
Applications are now being accepted for the New Mexico USSSA State Hispanic Tournament to be held Aug. 28-29 in Santa Fe. Divisons are for Hispanic teams in Men's Class C and D, and Women's Class C and D. Each roster is allowed three non-Hispanic players. Team fees are $175, and the entry deadline in Aug. 20. Teams can be entered on line at www.usssa.com, or money horders can be sent to NM Hispanic USSSA. For more information, contact Debbie Jo Almager at (505)-661-9630, or e-mail at debbiejo@nmusssa.com.

LL baseball board
Anyone interested in running for the Ruidoso Little League board of directors is invited to sign up. Sheets will be posted a Gavilan Field from Aug. 30 to Sept. 7 for all candidates.

Run for the BEACH
This year's Run for the BEACH, to defray mammogram costs and expenses for Lincoln County residents, will be held Sept. 11 at 8 a.m., beginning at McGary's Studio at 2002 Sudderth Dr. The run consists of a 5K course through midtown, and the fee to enter is $20 per person. Prizes will be awarded for the top three male and female runners in seven different age categories.
Packet pick-up will be at the Village Buttery, 2107 Sudderth Dr., on Wednesday, Sept. 8 from 5-7 p.m. Late registration and T-Shirt pick-up will be at McGary's Studio parking lot on race day from 7:15-7:45 a.m. For more information, call 257-9251, 336-9143 or the First Christian Church at 258-4250.

Warrior cards on sale
The Ruidoso High School football booster club is again selling the Blue and Gold Card for the 2004-05 athletic seasons. The cards, which allow holders to take part in discounts at participating merchants, cost $10 each. To purchase one, contact the high school at 258-4910.

VOLLEYBALL 2004

New coach (sort of) and new opponents for Carrizozo

BY TODD FUQUA
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

Carrizozo is going with a new volleyball coach this season, but it's not a coach that's unfamiliar with the lay of the land.

Mandy Baca played for Carrizozo in high school, and she's been the assistant coach since 2001.

In fact, the following year, she ended up as the de facto head coach when the team went to the state tournament, but went without coach Bill McVeigh, who had resigned his position just before the regionals.

"That was a good learning experience for me," Baca said. "I was just thrown in there. I just had to get the ball and go."

So Baca isn't a stranger to the girls at Carrizozo this year, and is ready to go when the Lady Grizzlies take on Cloudcroft Thursday in a 5 p.m. home game.

Carrizozo is on a low ebb of girls enrollment at the high school level, and what athletes Baca does have to work with aren't that tall, meaning they'll have to rely on defense and scrappiness to win games.

"This will be a rebuilding year," Baca said. "We lost three seniors, but still have some talent."

PHOTO BY JULIE CARTER

Jennifer Shafer, left, spikes the ball in practice after a set from Stephanie Brewer Monday in Carrizozo.

Having lost Ariel Burr, Ariel Vallejos and Adrianne Zamora, the Lady Grizzlies will rely on returning seniors Stephanie Brewer, Tierney Burd and Sonya Vega to be the linchpins of the team.

Sophomore Kaitlyn Vega does contribute some height and experience to the front line — having played there a bit last season — and Whitney Whittaker adds some needed size to the front after returning from an ACL injury during basketball season in February.

Adding talent will be freshmen Jessica Ward, Stacey Calvert and Sarah Comstock, while 8th-grader Jennifer Shafer could also see some varsity time.

Baca admitted she was a bit nervous at first, taking on the head coaching mantle officially for the first time in her career, but said that feeling was fleeting.

"Once we got going with the drills, it was OK," Baca said. "We just had a lot of work to do."

Also new to Carrizozo is the layout of District 7-1A. Actually, the lineup returns to the same membership of about six or seven years ago. Albuquerque schools Temple Baptist and Bosque Prep have moved out, while Hondo and Vaughn have moved back in.

Baca welcomes the changes, as the drive times for an already-extended district have been reduced considerably.

Of course, it doesn't really matter who is in the district, Baca just wants to get her team to its third straight district title and third straight state berth.

To do that, it will likely take some lumps, but Baca remembers what her coach — current Carrizozo athletic director Mel Holland — told her.

"We have great competition, and even if we don't win, we'll be ready for district," Baca said. "I want to win, but sometimes you need to learn the lessons. If you lose, you then know how to win, that's what I learned from coach Holland."

Head coach: Mandy Baca (1st year)
Assistant coach: Amanda Najar
2003 Record: 16-7 overall, 15-5 in District 7-1A. Lost to Fort Sumner in the Class 1A quarterfinals.

Baca

Carrizozo High School
2004 Volleyball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Aug. 26	Cloudcroft	Home	5 p.m.
Aug. 28	Tularosa	Home	2 p.m.
Sept. 7	Gateway Christian	Home	6 p.m.
Sept. 9	Magdelena	Away	5 p.m.
Sept. 14	Gateway Christian	Away	6 p.m.
Sept. 16-18	Roadrunner Tourney	Away	TBA
Sept. 21	NMMI	Away	5 p.m.
Sept. 23-25	Capitan Classic	Away	TBA
Sept. 30	Corona*	Home	6 p.m.
Oct. 1	Mountainair*	Away	6 p.m.
Oct. 5	Vaughn*	Home	6 p.m.
Oct. 7	Hondo*	Away	6 p.m.
Oct. 12	Corona*	Away	6 p.m.
Oct. 14	Hondo*	Home	6 p.m.
Oct. 19	Vaughn*	Away	5 p.m.
Oct. 21	Mountainair*	Home	5 p.m.

*Denotes District 7-1A match

CARDINALS RULE

Corona is also getting ready for the volleyball season, with 2nd-year coach Brahaim Hindi at the helm. At right, Randa Hutcheson gets ready to serve in practice, while Hindi, below, demonstrates a pass to another Lady Cardinal. Corona opens the season Thursday with a 5 p.m. game at the Capitan junior varsity.

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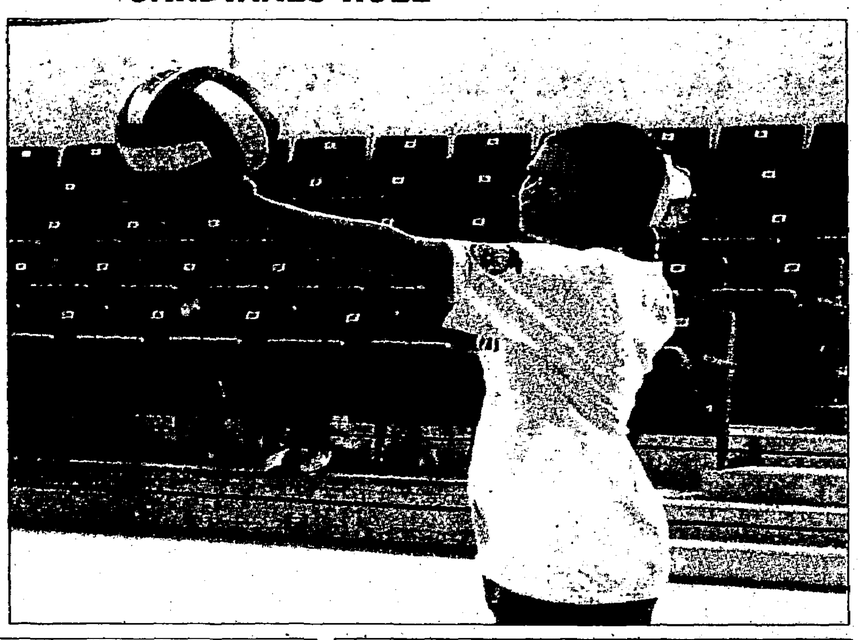
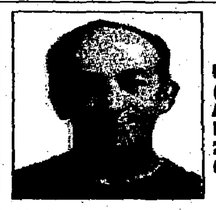




Head coach: Brahaim Hindi (2nd year)
Assistant coach: Melinda Harvey
2003 Record: 5-14 overall, 0-8 in District 7-1A

Hindi

Corona High School
2004 Volleyball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Aug. 26	Capitan JV	Away	5 p.m.
Sept. 10-11	Mountain Top Tourney	Cloudcroft	TBA
Sept. 14	Vaughn*	Home	6 p.m.
Sept. 16-18	BVC Tourney	Estancia	TBA
Sept. 23	Vaughn*	Away	6 p.m.
Sept. 30	Carrizozo*	Away	6 p.m.
Oct. 1	Evangel Christian	Home	4 p.m.
Oct. 2	Estancia JV	Away	2 p.m.
Oct. 5	Hondo*	Home	6 p.m.
Oct. 7	Mountainair*	Away	6 p.m.
Oct. 12	Carrizozo*	Home	6 p.m.
Oct. 14	Mountainair*	Home	6 p.m.
Oct. 21	Hondo*	Away	6 p.m.

*Denotes District 7-1A match

TODD FUQUA/STAFF

Arika Perez makes a bump pass to a teammate during practice recently in Hondo.

Head coach: Julie Montoya
2003 Record: 16-7 overall, 6-2 in District 8-1A, lost to Carrizozo, 3-0 in Region B playoff.

Montoya

Hondo High School
2004 Volleyball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Aug. 26	Tularosa JV	Home	6 p.m.
Aug. 31	Valley Christian	Home	6 p.m.
Sept. 7	Mescalero	Home	6 p.m.
Sept. 14	Valley Christian	Away	6 p.m.
Sept. 16	Gateway Christian	Home	7 p.m.
Sept. 17-18	Gateway Tourney	Away	TBA
Sept. 21	Tatum	Home	6 p.m.
Sept. 30	Ruidoso JV	Away	4 p.m.
Oct. 2	Mountainair*	Away	1 p.m.
Oct. 5	Corona*	Home	5 p.m.
Oct. 7	Carrizozo*	Home	6 p.m.
Oct. 9	Vaughn*	Away	2 p.m.
Oct. 12	Tatum	Away	6 p.m.
Oct. 14	Carrizozo*	Away	6 p.m.
Oct. 19	Mountainair*	Home	5 p.m.
Oct. 21	Corona*	Away	6 p.m.
Oct. 23	Vaughn*	Home	2 p.m.

*Denotes District 7-1A match

Lady Eagles need some seasoning

BY TODD FUQUA
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

HONDO — For Hondo head volleyball coach Julie Montoya, a change of district may be just what the Lady Eagles needed.

"It's probably good we're back in 7-1A," Montoya said. "Every school in this district is pretty small, closer to our size."

After three years as a member of District 8-1A, Hondo has returned to District 7, going up against Carrizozo, Corona, Mountainair and Vaughn.

The Lady Eagles are coming off a pretty good year, having gone 16-7 and 6-2 in the district, falling to 'Zozo in the Region B tournament. If Hondo wants to get to state this year, it will need to figure out its rotation before district starts.

"All the girls are working well together, and it's encouraging," Montoya said. "But we probably won't be better until midseason. We'll need to use these first few games to learn what we have to do and give everybody a chance to prove themselves."

Of those working to prove themselves, six played on varsity last season. Mercedes Lopez, Justine Candelaria, Jamie and Angeline Garcia, Megan Parmley and Erica Perez will return to the team, but they're only six of 17 total girls coming out for the team.

In fact, there are so many on the roster this season, that the Lady Eagles will be able to have a junior varsity team as well.

But Montoya has no assistant this year — at least not yet — which makes her already challenging job that much more difficult.

The Lady Eagles host Tularosa JV Thursday at 6 p.m., and Montoya isn't making too many promises just yet.

"We might be a little scatterbrained, but we'll get through it," Montoya said. "We really need to learn our rotation first, and winning will come later."

Players excited about volleyball at Mescalero

BY TODD FUQUA
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

MESCALERO — A new coach in his first varsity job, a new district, a new classification and more than a few new girls define the Mescalero volleyball team this year.

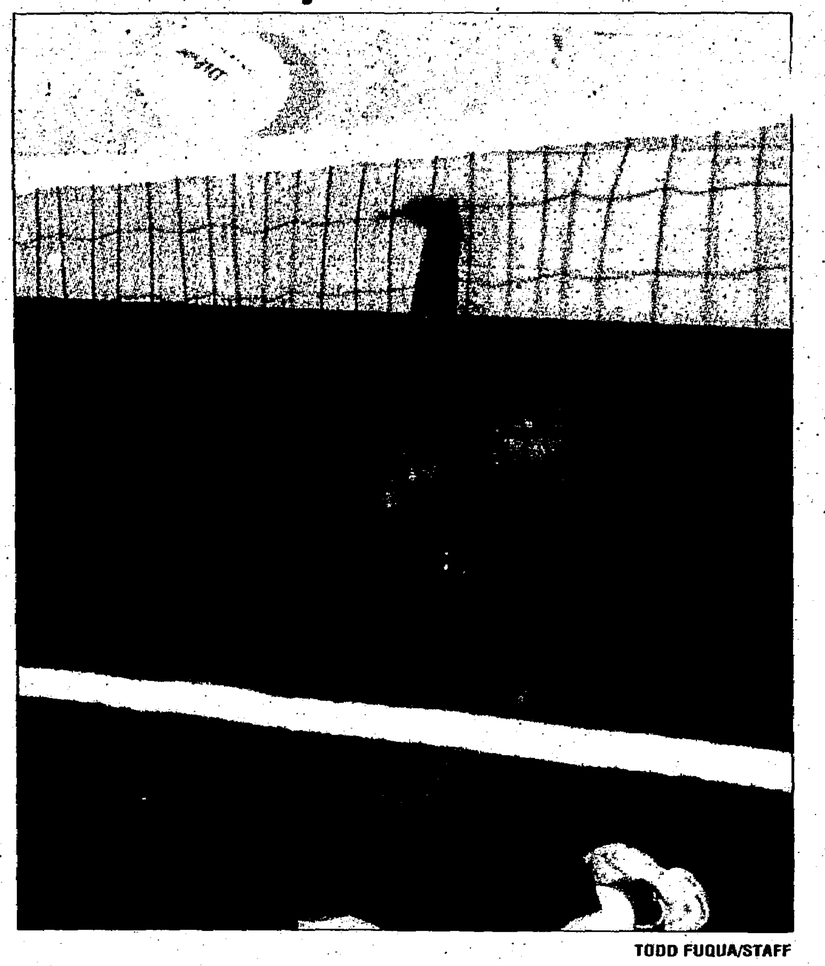
With the departure of coach Ardena Orosco to lead the Chief cross country team, Mescalero brought in a newcomer — both to the varsity level and to the state — in Steve Brown.

Brown isn't a stranger to coaching; he spent one year coaching junior high in Juneau, Alaska, and coached club teams for about 15 years before making the trip south so his wife could be closer to her family.

"She's from the Zia Pueblo, and she wanted to get a little closer to home," Johnson said. "I knew absolutely nothing about this school when I applied. I came up here and fell in love with the campus."

Johnson takes over a team that went 5-16 in 2003 and 2-6 in District 8-1A. This year, they'll be jumping districts and — more importantly — jumping up in class size.

They'll be replacing Capitan in District 5-2A, and reving up a natural rivalry with nearby Tularosa in the process. District 5 is considered by many coaches to be one of the toughest in the state in terms of volleyball, but Brown is more interested in learning his team's abilities.



TODD FUQUA/STAFF

Melanie Bell goes up for a spike during a Lady Chiefs practice Saturday in Mescalero.

"I really don't know anything about the district or those other teams," Johnson said. "I'm mainly interested in getting our team ready to play."

Those ready to play from last year's team include juniors Yvette Martinez, Sheriene Davis and senior Hilary Sago. Also on the roster this year are LaTaza Naiche, Melanie Bell, Ernestina Garcia, Kayla Randall, Denise Apachito and Elsie Bigmouth.

Some of those names may sound familiar, but most of them played for last year's Lady Chief basketball team. The fact that they're willing to put in the extra time to make the volleyball program strong is encouraging to Brown.

"They've made this a high priority," Brown said. "They've made their own rules, and the first one was to be at every practice.

"They're a lot harder on themselves than I could ever be," he added.

Brown said the team has improved a lot since they began practice, but still have a long way to go.

"We've improved by leaps and bounds from where we started," Brown said. "But we still have miles to go. There's a lot of pre-district games to play in which we can improve.

"We have our work cut out for us, but we believe in ourselves."

Head coach: Steve Brown (1st year)
Assistant coaches: Shannon Eisler (junior varsity), Stacey Sidwell (junior high)
2003 record: 5-16 overall, 2-6 in District 8-1A

Brown

Mescalero High School
2004 Volleyball Schedule
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Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Aug. 26	Capitan	Home	6 p.m.
Sept. 7	Hondo	Home	6 p.m.
Sept. 9-11	Tohajillee Tourney	Away	TBA
Sept. 21	Capitan	Away	6 p.m.
Sept. 24	Alamo Navajo	Away	3 p.m.
Sept. 27	Valley Christian	Home	5 p.m.
Sept. 30	Tularosa*	Home	6 p.m.
Oct. 2	Hatch*	Home	3 p.m.
Oct. 5	Cloudcroft*	Home	5 p.m.
Oct. 9	Lordsburg*	Away	3 p.m.
Oct. 12	Tularosa*	Away	6 p.m.
Oct. 16	Hatch*	Away	3 p.m.
Oct. 18	Valley Christian	Away	5 p.m.
Oct. 21	Cloudcroft*	Away	5 p.m.
Oct. 23	Lordsburg*	Home	3 p.m.

*Denotes District 5-2A match

Capitan netters pass first test of season

BY TODD FUQUA
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

CAPITAN — The Capitan Lady Tiger volleyball team is young this year, as is Cloudcroft.

That's a big part of the reason the two schools agreed to hold a competitive match Saturday while most other schools were still scrimmaging.

"We needed a game under our belts, because we're both so young," said Capitan coach Sherry Gowen. "I wanted a pressure situation, with real refs and line judges. All that makes a difference with teenagers."

If pressure is what Gowen wanted for her girls, she got it, as the Lady Tigers needed to come from behind in every game against Cloudcroft.

But they passed the test with a 25-19, 25-22, 25-19 victory over the Lady Bears.

"I was impressed with the defense and intensity," Gowen said of the Lady Tigers' effort. "We didn't serve or hit great, mainly because our passes weren't on the 10-foot line. But we still got some down, making something out of nothing."

TODD FUQUA/STAFF

Capitan outside hitter Kerra Carver, left, spikes the ball past Cloudcroft defenders Joycelynn Pybuin (10) and Marnie Gordon Saturday during each teams' season-opening volleyball match in Capitan.

It was the first Capitan varsity game for many of the girls on the floor, including Kerra Carver, Brittany LaMay and Lindsey Richardson. But their tenacity and defensive pressure was enough to win the day.

The Lady Tigers (1-0) played much of the first game with a slim lead, but Cloudcroft (0-1) used rally scoring to eventually take the lead on a Joycelynn Pybuin serve, extending that lead to 19-16.

Capitan fought back, tied the game at 19-all and went on a 6-0 run to win the first game.

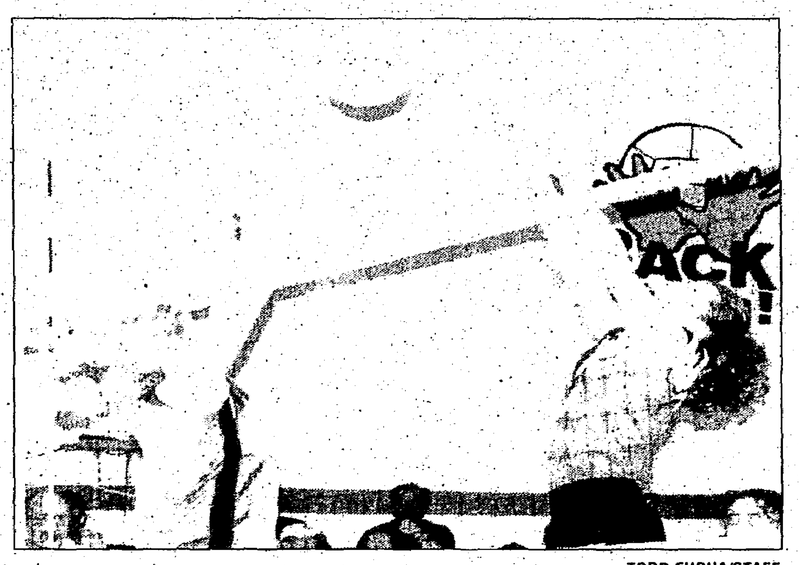
The Lady Tigers struggled for much of the second game, however, going behind by as much as 15-10, but kept hanging in there thanks to kills by Kelsey Campbell and Jennifer Bartley. They finally tied the game at 18-all, and finally took the lead for good at 20-19 when LaMay put it down for another kill.

Another come-from-behind victory in game three ensured the sweep.

"Now we're 1-0 and the girls can take pride in that," Gowen said. "We know now what we need to work on, and our next three matches are on the road.

"It will be like tournament play," Gowen said. "That's good, because we don't need a break. We need to play as much as we can."

The Lady Tigers play at Mescalero Thursday, then head to Texico Friday and play at Ruidoso Saturday. All games are scheduled for a 5 p.m. start following c-team and junior varsity contests.



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Lady Tiger Jennifer Bartley, right, goes up for a block against Cloudcroft's Emily Huner.

Ruidoso booters find going rough at Clovis tourney

BY TODD FUQUA
RUIDOSO NEWS SPORTS EDITOR

An early start to the season against tough competition awaited the Ruidoso boys soccer team at the Clovis Invitational over the weekend, and assistant coach Dave Ingels felt the Warriors did well.

"We did very well for three full games in 20 hours," said Ingels, whose team played Friday night and early Saturday morning against Clovis, Artesia and Aztec. "It was a hard first few games against really good teams, but that's what we need."

The Warriors went 1-2 at the season-opening tournament, falling to Clovis 3-0, then defeating Artesia by the same score before dropping a 4-1 decision to Aztec.

"We had some kids hurt and started out poorly against Clovis," Ingels said. "They scored all those goals in the first half, mainly because we weren't communicating and kept bunching up on the ball.

"I had a talk with them at the half, and they (Clovis) didn't score again."

After defeating Artesia on a pair of goals by Fabian Olvera and one from Robert Herrera, the Warriors had to turn right back around to face Aztec.

"We did well for the first 15 minutes, but then Aztec scored and we let up," Ingels said.

Olvera was the lone goal scorer for the Warriors in the final game.

Ruidoso has another difficult tournament to play at Alamogordo this weekend. The girls begin their season at the same tournament, to be played Friday and Saturday.

THE LINCOLN COUNTY WAR

During the 1870's a group of civilian merchants gained control over the economy of Lincoln County, New Mexico, southwest United States, including a monopoly on filling lucrative contracts from the military at Fort Stanton. This group who monopolized trade and their allies was called The House.

But in 1877, their control was challenged by an English entrepreneur, John Tunstall. Tunstall's employees and supporters were known as The Regulators, and followers of "The House" violently resisted them.

The battle was fought both in courtrooms and also through gunfights, murders, and cattle rustlings. Even the Army became involved. Eventually members of "The House" killed Mr. Tunstall.

And, as might be expected, "The Regulators" fervently vowed to take vengeance upon the House group resonsible for killing Tunstall. Among the group of "Regulators" loyal to Mr. Tunstall was a young man who was known as Billy the Kid.

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4-H Rodeo hands finish season, head to state

BY JULIE CARTER
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

The 4-H rodeo season is over, excepting the finals to be held Sept. 4-5 in Las Cruces. Lincoln County competitors kept it hot for other 4-Hers around the state and have maintained a steady pace throughout the season.

Senior Division

Capitan's Trevor Sanders has stayed near the top in the Senior All Around throughout the summer and finished in second place with 168 points behind Samantha Southard's 184. Ronnie Eldridge, Capitan, is in seventh place with 112 points.

Taos Muncy dropped in on the last 4-H rodeo of the season in Albuquerque, taking first in saddle bronc and bareback riding, second in calf roping and third in team roping. He went home with the Boys All Around title and another new saddle.

In breakaway roping, Ronnie Eldridge ended up with the season average win, second place in Tucumcari, two third place finishes in the two-rodeo weekend at Red River, and a first place finish at Albuquerque.

Cutter Whipple of Capitan picked up third place in breakaway roping.

Sanders has picked up a good portion of his points in the calf roping by placing third in Roswell, winning the event in Tucumcari and one time in Red River, taking fourth overall there. Sanders ended the season in first place in the event average.

Eldridge has been a consistent contender in the roping events. He was second in Roswell, sixth in Tucumcari, fourth and third in Red River and ninth in Albuquerque. He ended up fourth in the overall calf roping average for the season.

In the ribbon roping, Sanders was third at Roswell, 10th at both Red River rodeos and third in Albuquerque. Eldridge picked up sixth place points in Red River.

Team roping tallies had Sanders first in the season end average with two firsts and a second at Red River and a second-place finish in Albuquerque. Eldridge took third in the team roping at Red River.

Junior Division

Junior all around standings have Seth Hall of Capitan in second place with 222 points, only two points behind first place Jake Bonner. Josh Siggins, Ruidoso Downs, is in seventh with 146 points.

Jordan Muncy picked up the reserve all around honors at Albuquerque finshing second place in barrel racing and breakaway roping and first in goat tying.

Seth Hall was fourth at Roswell in breakaway roping and second at both Red River rodeos.

Corona's Chelsea Muniz was eighth at Red River in breakaway. She was also fifth at Red River and ninth at Albuquerque in goat tying.

Teke Eldridge was first in steer stopping at Red River. Muniz was fifth at Red River in the same event.

Hall was first at Red River and second at Albuquerque in calf touching. Siggins was third at Albuquerque in the event.

Ribbon roping results showed Hall finishing first at Roswell, Tucumcari and Red River and second at both Red River and Albuquerque. Siggins was fifth at Roswell, second at Red River and fourth at Albuquerque.

In steer stopping, Hall was first at Roswell and Tucumcari and third at Albuquerque. Siggins was fourth at Roswell and Tucumcari, and first and third at Red River.

Novice Division

The only Novice division rodeo hand from Lincoln County showing up in the results was Lane Siggins. He is sitting 10th in the all around, and was a second at Tucumcari and third at Albuquerque in breakaway roping.

In step down roping he placed third in Tucumcari, second in both Red River rodeos, and first in Albuquerque.

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Ruidoso Horse Sale again sets new records

Stan Fulton of Las Vegas, Nev., set a New Mexico record with his purchase of a yearling Thoroughbred son of Norway for $127,000 Saturday during the final night of the three-day Ruidoso Mixed Sale held at Ruidoso Downs.

The $127,000 purchase price broke the old state record of $110,000 for a Thoroughbred yearling, set in 2001 when Nick and Molly Morris of Austin, Texas, purchased a son of Devon Lane at the same Ruidoso Mixed Sale.

The record-setting bid was placed on Tyger Norway, a grand-looking son of the Storm Cat stallion Norway, a half brother to major stakes winners Summer Squall and A.P. Indy. Tyger Norway was consigned to the sale by Doug Mills of Pampa, Texas.

Mills purchased the mare Personal N Private after she had been bred to Norway and was carrying Tyger Norway. He bought her for $17,500 from Jacque Tanton and the end result was a yearling that set the state record.

Fulton, who owns Sunland Park Race Track and Casino, was the most active buyer as he purchased four of the top five selling Thoroughbreds on the final night of the sale. Fulton also purchased a Chimes Band colt for $42,000, an In Excessive Bull colt for $41,000 and a yearling son of Dome for $37,000.

Oddly enough, quarter horse trainer John Bassett, whose horses won the 1999 and 2001 runnings of the All American Futurity, purchased the second high seller for Hal J. Earnhardt for $70,000. The yearling colt is a son of In Excessive Bull out of the stakes-producing mare Perfect Play. Earnhardt qualified a horse for this year's All American but has also raced many major Thoroughbred stakes winners.

The Thoroughbred session of the Ruidoso Mixed Sale was very strong, with the average price increasing more than 30 percent from the previous year. The average when repurchases were taken out was $10,165 compared with last year's $7,245.

Overall, the Ruidoso Mixed Sale, including yearling Thoroughbreds, yearling quarter horses, horses of racing age and mares saw a slight two percent decrease from a year ago. The average of $6,946 was off slightly from last year's $7,177.

On Friday, the foursome of Terry Wootan, Joe David Yates, Stewart Silva and Roger Beasley topped the New Mexico bred quarter horse division of the sale by purchasing a Dash Ta Fame colt out of Aunt Josie for $47,000.

Wootan also joined with Pierre and Leslie Amestoy to purchase the second highest selling quarter horse yearling, a son of Dash Ta Fame out of the stakes-winning and stakes-producing mare Icy Alibi for $45,000

Dash Ta Fame was the hot stallion as six of the top seven selling quarter horse yearlings were sired by the son of First Down Dash.

On Aug. 19, R.D. Hubbard and Bat Masterson purchased the stakes-placed Red Hot Kitty, a 4-year-old winner of more than $70,000, for $42,000 to top the open session of mares and horses of racing age.

Each of the yearlings purchased at the sale are eligible for the Ruidoso New Mexico Bred Sale Futurities for quarter horses and Thoroughbreds, to be run in June of 2005 at Ruidoso Downs. This year, the quarter horse futurity was worth nearly $200,000 and the Thoroughbred futurity was worth $100,000.

The Ruidoso Horse Sales Company will hold its annual Quarter Horse Yearling Sale, Sept. 3-5.

Ruidoso Horse Sale 2004 Open High Sellers

Hip#	Breeding	Buyer	Price
64	Red Hot Kitty TB (Forest Wildcat-Red Will Do)	Hubbard/Masterson	$42,000
53	Inexcessive Play TB (In Excessive Bull-Perfect Play)	Parr/Mooring	$40,000
13	Fly Brazos Chick QH (Chicks Beduino-Flying Nanny)	DWF/Hubbard	$30,000
98	Vipervapor TB (Devon Lane-Viperous)	Fred & Rita Danley	$30,000
93	Run For My Life TB (Fit To Fight-Tender Force)	Chris & Stacey Coleman	$15,500
26	Docket TB (In Excess-Innocence)	A&R Stables	$15,000
80	Gray Sparkling Chick QH (Chicks A Blazin-Sparkling Peggy)	Market Demand Farms	$15,000
47	Streakin Moonlight QH (Streakin Six-Moonlight Dasher)	Laura Pinelli	$12,000

Ruidoso Horse Sale 2004 N.M.-Bred quarter horse high sellers

Hip#	Breeding	Buyer	Price
327	Dash Ta Fame—Aunt Josie	Wootan/Yates, et al	$47,000
159	Dash Ta Fame-Icy Alibi	Amestoy & Wootan	$45,000
366	Dash Ta Fame—Dashin Sandy	Jack Manning	$32,000
365	Dash Ta Fame—Dashin Sandy	Jack Manning	$28,000
210	Chicks A Blazin—Miss Special Effort	Williams &Miles	$27,000
291	Dash Ta Fame—Swivel Hips Bar	SMS Racing	$26,500
211	Dash Ta Fame—Mitzi Lee Dash	M & V Neugebauer	$26,000
239	Chicks A Blazin-Really Dashing	M & S Pehl	$25,000
287	Dash Ta Fame-Susies Girl Sally	David Reeder	$22,000
344	Chicks A Blazin—Call A Victory	Robert C Williams, Jr.	$22,000
276	Chicks A Blazin-Sparkling Peggy	Randy Eastburg	$21,000
305x	Chicks A Blazin-Uncommonly Special	R.D. Hubbard	$21,000

Ruidoso Horse Sale 2004 N.M. Bred Thoroughbred High Sellers

Hip#	Breeding	Buyer	Price
469	Norway-Personal N Private	Stan Fulton	$127,000
468	In Excessive Bull-Perfect Play	John Bassett	$70,000
425	Chimes Band-Katie's Nochero	Stan Fulton	$42,000
434	In Excessive Bull—L'Boz	Stan Fulton	$41,000
501	Dome-Super Status	Stan Fulton	$37,000
483	Gone Hollywood-Rumble Tumble	R.F. Haynesworth	$36,000
525	Dome-Zsa Zsa K	SMS Racing	$35,000
441	Chimes Band-Madeleine Gallay	Sandy Erwin	$31,000
517	In Excessive Bull-Viperous	Carol Keesee	$31,000
515	Chimes Band-Uwana Kawana	Pierre & Leslie Amestoy	$28,000

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Senior Olympians do well at state games

LAS CRUCES — A total of 27 Lincoln County men and 16 women, ages 51 to 85, competed Aug. 4-8 at the 26th annual New Mexico Senior Olympics. They earned 52 medals and 27 ribbons for a total of 79 awards, second highest in the past 11 years.

The 23 gold medals awarded to area competitors were Dorothy Payne, Barbara Ward, C.E. Chavez, Ed Fleck, Robert McCann and Leo McCaslin in bowling, Deborah Barton, Bill Kennedy and Jerry Longbotham in cycling and Jo Mincey and June Hence in swimming.

Bart Young earned gold in basketball, while Christopher Carusona did the same in racewalking and Dick Mastin in the softball distance throw. Multiple golds were won by Barton (5), Longbotham (4) and Hence (3).

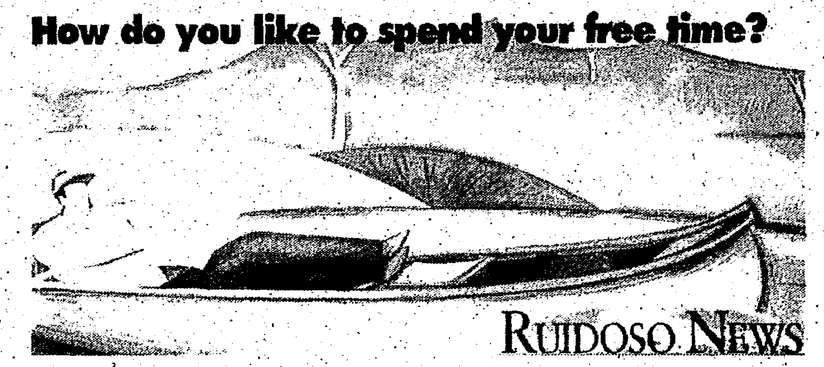
Silver medals, 11 in all, were won by Hence in swimming, Longbotham and Larry and Lorene Caywood in bowling and Mincey, Mastin, Carusona and Vernon Brown in golf.

The 18 bronze medals awarded to Lincoln County representatives went to Galen Farrington and Kennedy in cycling with two each, Carusona in field events, Jim Gibson in golf, Wolfgang Diem in table tennis, Young in track, Hubert Lee, Martha Chavez, Sylvia Allwein, Larry Hindes, McCann, Larry and Lorene Caywood and George and Laura Schryer in bowling, and Joe Mincey in swimming.

Fourth and fifth place awards were earned by Farrington, Mastin, C.E. Chavez, Kennedy, McCann, Mincey, Young, Harry Allwein, Carol Antoine, Jim Clements, Linda Clements, Doug Hunsicker, Tom Jones, Karen Joyce, Johnny Rodriguez, Oscar Rodriguez, Lucy Servies, Bonnie Sweeney and Donald Yeager.

Most first and second place finishers in certain events are eligible to compete in the bi-annual National Senior Games, to be held June 2005 in Pittsburgh.

Albuquerque will host the 2005-06 state games at the University of New Mexico. Participants compete in five-year age groups and must be age 50 by Dec. 31, 2005. Information is available from county coordinator Bart Young at 257-3193.



RUIDOSO DOWNS RESULTS

Results for racing at Ruidoso Downs for Aug. 19-22:

Friday, Aug. 19

First — 440 yards. Lasting Episode 62.20 11.80 8.80, Take Off Jess 3.00 2.80, Ojo Loca 6.80. Quinella — 27.80. Exacta — 51.60. Trifecta — 1,699.80. T — 21.45.

Second — 440 yards. Fishers Easy Cash 19.20 8.80 5.20, Curls Girl 5.40 4.20, Ellies Lil Flyer 3.80. Quinella — 41.40. Exacta — 90.60. Trifecta — 191.70. Daily Double — 170.60. T — 21.66. Scratched — Never Fold.

Third — 440 yards. Like Frankie And Me 19.20 11.40 7.80, Mountains Majesty 11.40 5.60, Ya Ya Sisterhood 4.60. Quinella — 71.80. Exacta — 229.60. Trifecta — 327.00. T — 21.69

Fourth — 440 yards. All About Ease 3.80 2.80 2.00, Looking For Dust 3.60 2.20, Eye Yin You 2.40. Quinella — 8.20. Exacta — 17.00. Trifecta — 3.10. T — 21.58.

Fifth — 440 yards. Have A Coronary 9.60 3.60 3.00, Winners Award 2.80 2.80, Dashin Scorpion King 4.00. Quinella — 12.00. Exacta — 29.40. Trifecta — 73.80. T — 21.54.

Sixth — 440 yards. La Jollaroid 8.40 3.60 2.80, Mr Fify Nine 3.60 3.00, Shaded In Speed 2.80. Quinella — 10.00. Exacta — 20.20. Trifecta — 22.70. Tri-Super 5,654.00. T — 21.67.

Seventh — 440 yards. Fantastic Jessie 7.00 3.20 2.80, Covert 3.40 3.40, Wild Spanish Rice 9.80. Quinella — 9.60. Exacta — 21.40. Trifecta — 210.20. T — 21.60.

Eighth — Chicks Like Us 19.00 10.40 3.80, First Down Runner 3.60 2.60, Budderfly Effect 3.40. Quinella — 33.20. Exacta — 53.40. Trifecta — 154.10. T — 21.79.

Ninth — 440 yards. Six Packa Moonshine 7.00 2.60 2.60, Justified 2.20 2.20, Hostile Method 3.00. Quinella — 5.20. Exacta — 13.60. Trifecta — 28.20. T — 21.82. Scratched — Royal Chick Deck.

Tenth — 440 yards. Corona Ease 7.80 3.80 3.00, Eye Man Who 4.20 3.60, Corona On Tap 4.40. Quinella — 97.80. Exacta — 16.20. Trifecta — 113.90. Pick 3 — 1,131.60. T — 21.56.

Eleventh — 440 yards. Conner Can 3.40 3.00 2.80, Allamericandreamgirl 6.60 5.40, Bad Move 11.60. Quinella — 21.60. Exacta — 27.20. Trifecta — 243.70. T — 21.73.

Twelfth — 440 yards. Tell Em Im Gone 7.60 3.00 2.40, Scrutinizer 3.00 2.40, Phoebes Otoole 2.20. Quinella — 11.20. Exacta — 17.40. Trifecta — 18.90. T — 21.76.

Thirteenth — 440 yards. Separate Secrets 3.80 3.20 3.00, Zoomin Thru 4.00 3.60, First Battalion 9.80. Quinella — 9.00. Exacta — 12.60. Trifecta — 122.90. T — 21.42. Scratched — Knud With Wings.

Fourteenth — 440 yards. Lose Yourself 14.80 7.00 3.80, Mariotte 14.00 7.00, Desirio 3.20. Quinella — 121.80. Exacta — 144.60. Trifecta — 797.60. T — 21.56.

Fifteenth — 440 yards. Jess Satin 7.80 3.20 2.80, Look Forward 2.80 2.60, The Shockwave 3.80. Quinella — 5.60. Exacta — 14.00. Trifecta — 36.90. Pick 3 — 213.20. T — 21.55.

Sixteenth — 440 yards. Thewayouwantmetoo 3.60 2.20 2.10, Ocean Runaway 2.20 2.20, Lethal Bay 2.60. Quinella — 3.20. Exacta — 5.60. Trifecta — 10.40. T — 21.66.

Seventeenth — 440 yards. Devons Signature 4.60 3.80 3.00, Deuces Nonnegotiable 3.40 2.80, Strut Ur Fashion 3.60. Quinella — 6.80. Exacta — 19.60. Trifecta — 30.20. T — 21.56.

Eighteenth — 440 yards. Mighty Invictus 10.80 4.20 2.60, DM Schicago 3.40 2.40, Hardly Hateful 2.40. Quinella — 20.00. Exacta — 44.60. Trifecta — 33.90. T — 21.41.

Nineteenth — 440 yards. Take It To The House 233.50 51.00 21.20, Wonder Boy Perry 4.80 3.20, Sangiovese 3.20. Quinella — 477.40. Exacta — 2,015.80. Trifecta — 2,825.00. T — 22.16.

Twentieth — 440 yards. Lady Eye Opener 8.00 3.60 3.60, Speedy Perry 3.40 3.80, A Troffe For Injun 11.80. Quinella — 14.00. Exacta — 33.40. Pick 3 — 35.00. T — 22.02.

Twenty First — 440 yards. Sizzling 5.60 3.80 3.00, Chrome Lite 12.40 5.80, First Place Style 4.00. Quinella — 36.20. Exacta — 74.00. Trifecta — 87.00. T — 21.80.

Friday, Aug. 20

First — 440 yards. Dejon 14.40 8.40 4.40, First Place hero 13.20 4.40, A New Hero 3.40. Quinella — 80.40. Exacta — 199.80. Trifecta — 439.30. T — 21.42.

Second — 440 yards. Hadtobenuts 9.20 4.40 3.80, Sir Chickaroid 3.60 3.40, Will To Win 8.60. Quinella — 20.60. Exacta — 44.20. Trifecta 628.80. Daily Double — 128.60. T — 21.38.

Third — 440 yards. Cash For Kas 9.00 4.20 2.80, Fashion N Flashin 4.80 2.80, Sixes Royal 2.40. QUinella — 23.20. Exacta — 37.00. Trifecta — 48.90. T — 21.28. Scratched — Daring Destination.

Fourth — 440 yards. Brookstone Bay 9.00 3.00 2.80, Brimmerton 2.40 2.40, Billyjeanthequeen 4.00. Quinella — 7.60. Exacta — 20.40. Trifecta — 16.70. T — 21.18.

Fifth — 440 yards. A Reagal Choice 3.60 3.20 2.80, Apollo Babe 123 7.20 5.00, Lett Her Zoom 3.60. Quinella — 26.40. Exacta — 37.40. Trifecta — 48.40. T — 21.31.

Sixth — 440 yards. Planet Holland 3.80 2.60 2.40, By By JJ 3.80 3.20, Dash Of Perry 3.80. Quinella — 8.20. Exacta — 15.60. Trifecta — 32.90. Tri-super — 1,509.20. T — 21.39.

Seventh — 7 1/2 furlongs. Fancyman Jack 8.00 3.60 3.00, Hoolie Blue 3.20 3.20, Little Town 4.60. Quinella — 16.40. Exacta — 30.20. Trifecta — 114.90. T — 1:35.30.

Eighth — 5 furlongs. Hecamefromaclaim 5.80 2.80 2.60, Urlacher 2.40 2.20, Classic Ryder 2.60. Quinella — 5.20. Exacta — 10.20. Trifecta — 16.00. T — 57.40. Scratched — Jacks Romeo.

Ninth — 6 furlongs. Lobato 7.00 5.80 4.80, Pay Daze 9.40 6.20, McCaslin 4.40. Quinella — 56.40. Exacta — 92.80. Trifecta — 286.50. Pick 3 — 117.00. T — 1:12.20.

Saturday, Aug. 21

First — 6 furlongs. Hooliehoo 7.00 3.60 2.60, Pacalac 17.00 4.20, I Am A True Cat 2.60. Quinella — 41.40. Exacta — 117.80. Trifecta — 111.00. T — 1:12.30.

Second — 250 yards. Definitely Real 7.40 4.00 3.20, Phantom Miracle 3.00 2.80, See A Legend 4.80. Quinella — 9.00. Exacta — 17.00. Trifecta — 81.50. Daily Double — 28.60. T — 13.53.

Third — 5 1/2 furlongs. Doctor Dragon 6.40 3.20 2.60, Blue Warrior 4.40 2.80, Pro Scout 3.80. Quinella — 11.60. Exacta — 27.00. Trifecta — 80.90. T — 1:04.30.

Fourth — 350 yards. Corona Carina 10.80 5.00 4.40, What A Performance 4.20 4.00, Dashing Fabulous 10.20. Quinella — 32.60. Exacta — 62.80. Trifecta — 120.20. T — 17.58.

Fifth — 7 1/2 furlongs. Master Romano 12.20 6.00 4.20, Leo's Twister 4.00 3.20, Mr. Word 3.00. Quinella — 18.60. Exacta — 28.20. Trifecta — 31.10. T — 1:36.20.

Sixth — 350 yards. Buddy Major 4.60 3.20 2.80, Run Mr 4.40 3.60, A Devine Rabbit 3.80. Quinella — 17.60. Exacta — 25.60. Trifecta — 69.20. T — 17.90.

Seventh — 5 1/2 furlongs. Geiger Tiger 3.60 2.60 2.80, Milagro Del Paso 5.40 4.20, Sunshine Valentine 6.40. Quinella — 13.20. Exacta — 19.60. Trifecta — 195.90. T — 1:05.00.

Eighth — 350 yards. Runaway Ten 10.20 3.80 3.60, Magnificent Linda 3.80 3.40, Chimomo 4.60. Quinella — 21.20. Exacta — 37.00. Trifecta — 176.70. T — 17.72. Scratched — Dang The Bank, Real And Free.

Ninth — 7 1/2 furlongs. Highly Suspect 4.40 3.00 2.60, Racing Nut 5.20 3.20, Joe Cat 3.40. Quinella — 12.20. Exacta — 20.60. Trifecta — 450.70. T — 1:34.10.

Tenth — 350 yards. Dash Lady Love 6.20 3.80 3.20, Dean For Me 7.60 5.00, Rogue Warrior 4.00. Quinella — 51.00. Exacta — 81.20. Trifecta — 197.50. Pick 3 — 78.00. T — 18.05.

Sunday, Aug. 22

First — 550 yards. Twelviest 22.40 6.80 2.40, On Bobs Turf 2.40 2.10, Three Fates 2.20. Quinella — 17.40. Exacta — 57.20. Trifecta — 78.90. T — 27.56.

Second — 400 yards. Frisco Bully 19.80 10.00 7.20, Forsentimentlreasons 7.40 5.00, Lead The Field 9.40. Quinella — 140.00. Exacta — 151.60. Trifecta — 3,267.00. Daily Double — 118.80. T — 19.81.

Third — 6 furlongs. Mission Showers 17.60 7.60 4.00, Corbin Park 5.20 3.80, Faye Kinitt 3.40. Quinella — 52.20. Exacta — 91.20. Trifecta — 236.20. T — 1:10.40.

Fourth — 5 1/2 furlongs. Devilite 8.00 3.40 3.20, Sue Etta 3.20 3.00, Moves Ghostly 5.20. Quinella — 5.60. Exacta — 12.00. Trifecta — 21.20. T — 1:06.10. Scratched — Becky Bain.

Fifth — 6 furlongs. Diablo's Terete 9.60 5.20 3.00, Son Ofa Prospector 7.00 3.40, Danny's Emerald 2.40. Quinella — 29.00. Exacta — 75.00. Trifecta — 50.30. T — 1:12.20.

Sixth — 300 yards. Alibis Malady 26.20 12.40 6.60, Fitness Lady 3.00 2.80, Leavin Is Easy 3.60. Quinella — 54.40. Exacta — 161.40. Trifecta — 243.50. T — 15.56.

Seventh — 870 yards. TME Eyezasaint 12.40 6.80 4.60, Fast And Far 11.00 4.60, Behold Time Rey 5.00. Quinella — 38.40. Exacta — 48.00. Trifecta — 532.10. T — 45.13. Scratched — Corozon Bravo.

Eighth — 350 yards. Real And Special 7.40 3.40 2.80, Red And Reckless 2.60 2.40, Win The Medal 4.20. Quinella — 6.40. Exacta — 12.20. Trifecta — 554.80. T — 17.63. Scratched — La Travieza.

Ninth — 550 yards. Fed Ex Together 6.40 3.20 2.80, Indy Bud Bub 2.80 2.60, Fortune Flyer 3.80. Quinella — 12.80. Exacta — 20.40. Trifecta — 19.00. T — 26.73. Scratched — Twotimesthefly.

Tenth — 1 1/8 mile. Fin Entertainment 14.20 4.00 3.00, Revenged 3.60 2.80, Masakado Kid 2.40. Quinella — 44.80. Exacta — 73.20. Trifecta — 66.90. Pick 3 — 150.00. T — 1:55.30.

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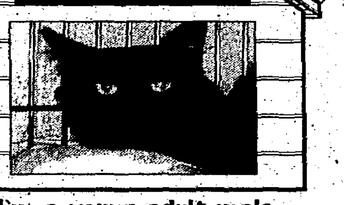

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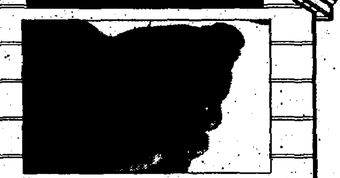

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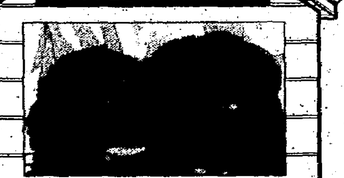

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Grand champion Cabrito winner Ryan Davidson and Reserve Champion Cabrito, Alicia Palomarez, both of Corona.

Lincoln County Fair goat show results

Light Market goat 45-57 lbs.
1. Erin Hightower, Carrizozo
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3. Ryan Davidson, Corona
4. Tito Montoya, Hondo
5. Sheldon McKibbon, Corona
6. Ryan Davidson, Corona

Medium Light goat 59-65 lbs.
1. Alicia Palomarez, Corona
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3. Sheldon McKibbon, Corona
4. Randa Hutcheson, Corona
5. Jared Arnold, Corona
6. Rachel Lueras, Corona

Medium goat 67-72 lbs
1. Ryan Davidson
2. Tessa Hendricks, Carrizozo
3. Tysa Davidson, Corona
4. Lane Carter, Carrizozo
5. Jared Arnold, Corona
6. Dot Salcido, Hondo

Medium Heavy goat 74-80
1. Tessa Hendricks
2. Ryan Gaines, Carrizozo
3. JT Eldridge, Capitan
4. Mitchell Harper, Capitan
5. Jordan Grider, Carrizozo
6. Lane Carter

Heavy goat 83-99 lbs
1. Sara McNatt, Carrizozo
2. Dustee Rae Eldridge, Capitan
3. JT Eldridge
4. Kylie Gaines, Carrizozo
5. Lane Carter
6. Kylie Gaines

Grand Champion Market Goat:
Ryan Davidson

Reserved Grand Champion Market Goat:
Alicia Palomarez

Showmanship:
Senior: Rachel Lueras
Junior: Quayde Dixon
Novice: Kylie Gaines

Voss to serve as grand marshal

BY JULIE CARTER
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

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Pat Voss is the grand marshal of the 11th annual Labor Day street fair parade in Carrizozo

The 11th Annual Carrizozo Labor Day Street Fair will kick off with the parade at 10 a.m. on Sept. 6. Long time Carrizozo resident, Pat Voss, will be the parade grand marshal.

The parade, which will begin at 10 a.m. ,will also include a number of participants in a "vehicle show" and the Lincoln County Sheriff's posse mounted patrol. Kids of all ages are encouraged to dress up as their favorite story book character with prizes going to the top three.

The street fair event has booked a long list of special entertainment, games, arts and crafts, a silent auction, and vehicle show. All events will be in McDonald's Park and there will be trolley rides to the Carrizozo Heritage Museum.

Earl and the Dynamics, a jazz group from Alamogordo, will headline the music features along with the 44th Army Band Saxophone Ensemble, better known as "Saxappeal." The Danza Matachine Pavo Real dancers and musicians will return for both the parade and to perform in the park. Late in the day music by a local heavy metal band, Broken Black, will be playing.

A hot air balloon will be giving free tethered rides from 9-11 a.m. in the post office parking lot. Airborne Adventures from Alamogordo is providing the balloon named "The Patriot" for the rides. Event time and performance is subject to weather conditions.

Birdhouse painting for the kids will be available in the park with Gay Speirbhain from 9 a.m. until noon. The kids can paint a birdhouse for free and the parents will have first option to purchase the birdhouse for $10. If they choose not to buy the birdhouse, it will go up for auction at noon.

The silent auction on the birdhouse currently on display at Carrizozo Joe's will end at noon at the park. The birdhouses will be in the park the day of the street fair so bidders can keep an eye on the bids.

The will be an assortment of vendor booths including food booths through out the park. Street fair organizer Karla Organist said she is still looking for volunteers to run a couple of youth-oriented booths and the water and soda sales.

Vendors interested in participating should contact Karla at 648-5637. Spaces available are 12 feet wide and cost $15 for the day plus an additional $5 if electricity is necessary.

All exhibitors and vendors are required to stay for the duration of the event.

The Sunday afternoon prior to the street fair, children that would like to help color a chalk train on the sidewalk surrounding McDonald Park should show up at 3 p.m. The train will be part of the decoration for the event on Labor Day.

'Zozo preschool preps to open; wee bit of construction remains

BY JULIE CARTER
FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

In his construction update to the Carrizozo School Board meeting last week, superintendent Sergio Castañon delivered the good news and the bad news.

The good news was preschool starts on Sept. 7 and it would be a very likely they would be able to start in their new classroom in the close to completed new Industrial Arts-Preschool Building.

The contractor to date was reported 85-90 percent complete in all areas.

Within the bad news category, Castañon reported the construction remodel work on the Clegg Hall restrooms is approximately two weeks from completion making that part of the building unavailable for at least the first week of school.

Castañon outlined three items presented for the first reading prior to a second reading on approval at the next meeting. The Powers and Duties of the Board, School Advisory Council, and the 3-Tier Licensure Evaluation plan were explained as presented to the board.

The board voted to rescind the motion to re-organize the K-4, 5-8 grade school alignment board policy due to the affect the prior change would make on funding.

Under personnel, Castañon advised the board he had hired Jane Elrod for the Special Education teacher. Elrod had been the special education coordinator in Odessa, Texas, since 1991 and has spent time as a special education teacher.

Carol Wilson was hired as the Special Education teacher's assistant and because Wilson has a teaching degree, she will also assist high school language arts teacher, Sarah Ball.

In other business the board:

• Accepted the 7th grade laptop computer grant award

• Approved disposition of one 1984 Chevy Van and a 1981 Ford truck in an upcoming public auction.

• Approved the substitute/activity bus drivers for 2004-2005. Approved were Rick Emmons, Melody Gaines, Mike Gaines, Cissy Gore, Steve Gore, Lee Greer, Sharon Hefker, Buddy Hill, Shelley King, Mel Monnreal, Barbie Roper, Hayden Smith and Angelo Vega.

The next regular board meeting will be September 21 at 6 pm.

Diabetes cooking school scheduled

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The Lincoln County Cooperative Extension Service and the state's Diabetes and Control Program are sponsoring a free diabetes cooking school. Classes will be on Tuesdays, Sept. 14 thru Oct. 12 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Ruidoso High School. The Kitchen Creations course will be led by registered dietician Carolyn Felder. Participants will receive a resource notebook and recipes, and experience with hands-on preparation and a sampling of healthy foods.

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Hefker receives 2004 Homemaker Award at the Lincoln County Fair

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Home economist Marsha Palmer, left, and Fair open entry superintendent Beverly Calaway, right, present Sharon Hefker with her 2004 Homemaker Award. Hefker also receives $100 from State National Bank for winning.

A few days before the fair Sharon Hefker was looking through the fair book and saw there would be a 2004 Homemaker Award for an exhibitor who entered five different divisions. So she started looking around at what she had created in the past year and decided to enter at least five.

Her Melt-A-Way cookies, lingerie bag, and throw pillow all won first place ribbons. Her crab apples got a second place ribbon and her canned goods won four firsts and a second.

She entered canned apple pie filling, tomatoes, jalapeños, red jalapeños, a yellow pepper mix with carrots and cauliflower. The jar of pickled jalapeños won the grand champion ribbon in the canned good division.

She was very surprised but pleased when she won the award. The Melt-A-Way cookie recipe came from a 1957 Corona Home Economics recipe collection.

Zelfa Atkinson was her teacher and Sharon was a sophomore that year.

"She inspired me in so many ways and I thought I would be a home ec teacher because of her. I did take home ec in college but then I got married," said Hefker.

Sharon and her husband Jack live west of Carrizozo but ranch south of town in the Oscuro area. They have raised three children.

Melody and husband Mike Gaines live nearby and have two children, Ryan and Kylie. Marcia and her husband Hugh Brower live in Raton with two sons, Seth and Cy. Justin and wife Amy live in Sierra Vista, Ariz., where he is with the horse unit of the border patrol.

Sharon retired not long ago after 25 years as a school bus driver. She began in 1976 but still remains current on the substitute driver list.

Hefkers vacation like few ranchers do by traveling around the country on a Harley motorcycle.

Clad in biker leathers, the pair have been to Montana and even included Yellowstone Park in the trip.

They've been through the national parks in Utah, scenic areas of Colorado and most of Arizona. Soon they will be headed out again for a trip through Idaho and Utah.

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Phoebe Cogdill and her kindergarten class of seven students.

Corona schools welcome new staff

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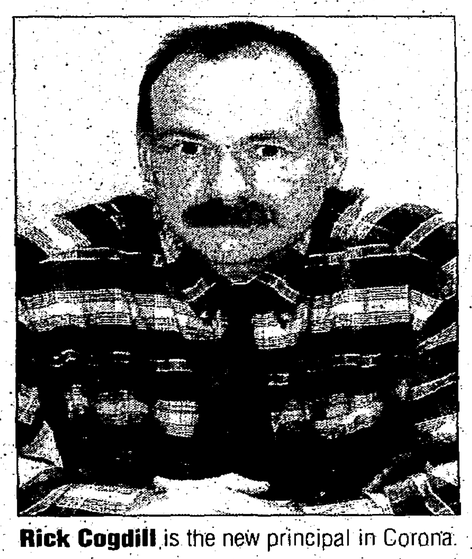
Julie Johnson



Rick Cogdill is the new principal in Corona.

Rick and Phoebe Cogdill feel like they have come back home.

Not only was Lincoln County home for seven years when they lived and taught in Carrizozo, but Phoebe is a native of Corona, and a graduate of Corona High School.

"Never ever did I even dream I'd come back here to teach," she said. "I was a teacher's aide here the year after I graduated, so it really is like coming full circle."

Arriving in Corona after two years in Aztec, the Cogdills are two of the three new faces on staff in the Corona Schools. Rick is the new principal and counselor, taking a considerable load off superintendent Travis Lightfoot.

"I see tremendous potential here," said Cogdill, "and the very best of what a small school has to offer."

Phoebe is teaching one of the few elementary grades she has never taught in her 21 years of teaching: kindergarten.

With seven students in the class, she is delighted with the opportunity to have a one-on-one relationship with them. "I feel like I can really reach each individual child on every level. The small class is just wonderful," she said.

The Cogdills have one son, Clinton, who is an eighth grader this year. Both parents agree he is adjusting to the small school and remote area better than he thought he would and, now into the second week of school, he reports he likes it fine.

Julie Johnson is in Corona teaching fifth and sixth grades because her husband, Tony, is the new Ag instructor and FFA advisor. But she loves it right along with Tony and their sons, Dylan and Ethan. Dylan is a seventh grader and Ethan is in the fourth grade.

The remoteness of a small town like Corona doesn't faze Julie.

"I laugh when people ask me that. We came here from House. Here we have a couple restaurants and a grocery store. This is moving up from where we were," she said.

Julie taught for a couple years in Texas and then for the three years they lived in House. There she was the Title I coordinator and the computer labs tech.

A country girl and cowgirl all her life, Julie is right at home in her rural setting. The working with animals that comes with raising kids in 4-H and FFA, and being married to an Ag teacher, have prepared her well for this new life. She attended high school in Gadsden and Canutillo, Texas, and is a graduate of New Mexico State University.

"We spend all our time with the kids and our animals." And that time takes up most the year. They will begin later in the fall with the steer sales and then on into spring for other sales for pigs, lambs and goats. The care and upkeep of the animals runs right up to county fair time and then September it's time for the state fair. After that is the early October Eastern New Mexico State Fair in Roswell.

Although it is still early in the year, Julie is very much enjoying teaching the classes she has. The Corona community and its school seems to fit her just fine.

COUNTY BRIEFS

Benefit yard sale for Hopper

Friends of Connie Hopper are hosting a benefit yard sale on this Saturday at 8 a.m. Proceeds of the sale will go to help with Connie's medical expenses as she has no insurance.

The sale will be held at 501 Eleventh Street. Anyone who would like to contribute to the items for sale may take them to that address on Friday.

A Connie Hopper Benefit Fund account has been set up Wells Fargo bank for those who would wish to make a cash donation.

Special Carrizozo council meeting

The Carrizozo town council will meet in a special meeting today at 5:30 p.m. The agenda is brief and includes approval of a clean up resolution.

Carrizozo Street Fair parade entries wanted

The Carrizozo Labor Day Street Parade will line up at 9:30 a.m on Sept. 6 behind the Four Winds Restaurant. The street fair committee is seeking anyone and everyone that would like to participate to call and reserve a spot in the parade lineup.

Youngsters are invited to dress up as their favorite storybook character. Prizes will be awarded for the best costumes. Children 5 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

Older kids and adults are invited to enter custom, classic or restored vehicles, dragster, stock car, tractor, ATV (of all kinds) in the parade and in the "Vehicle Show" following.

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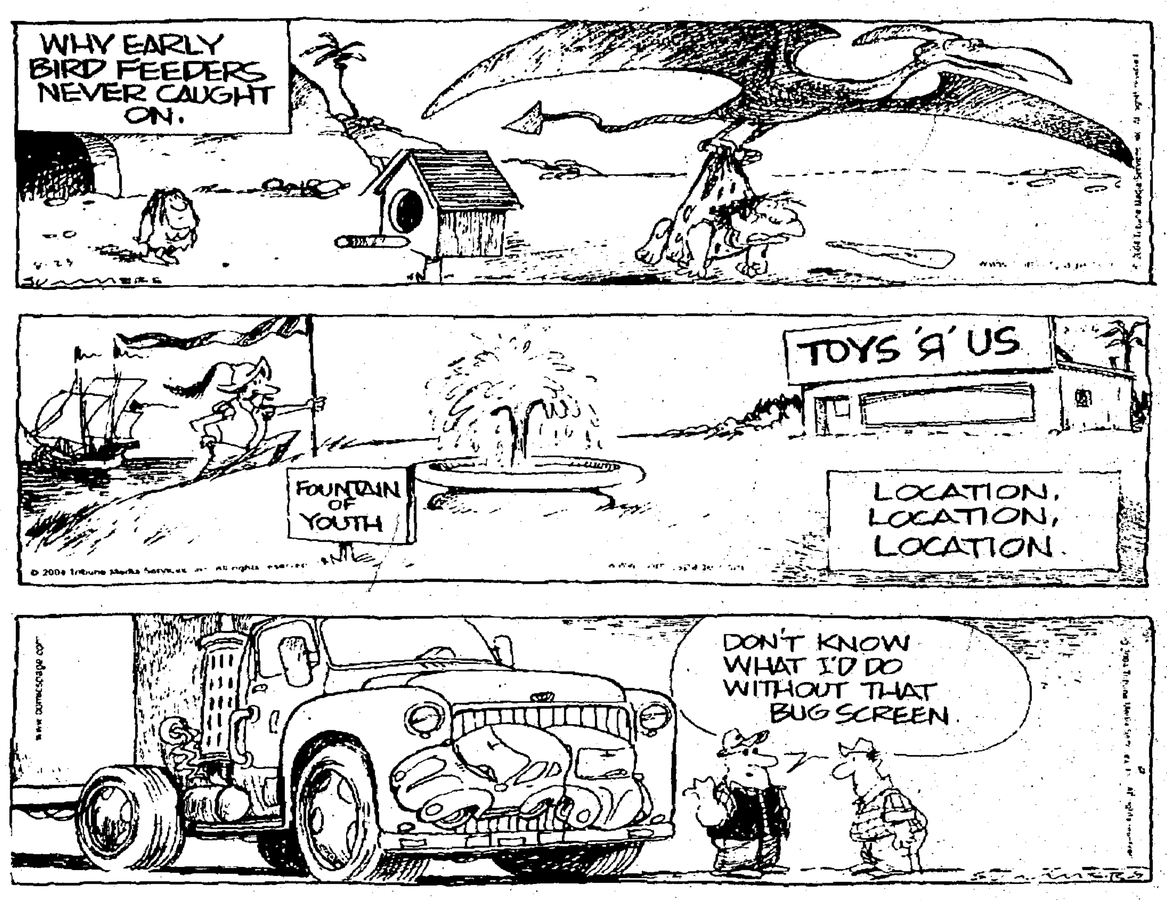

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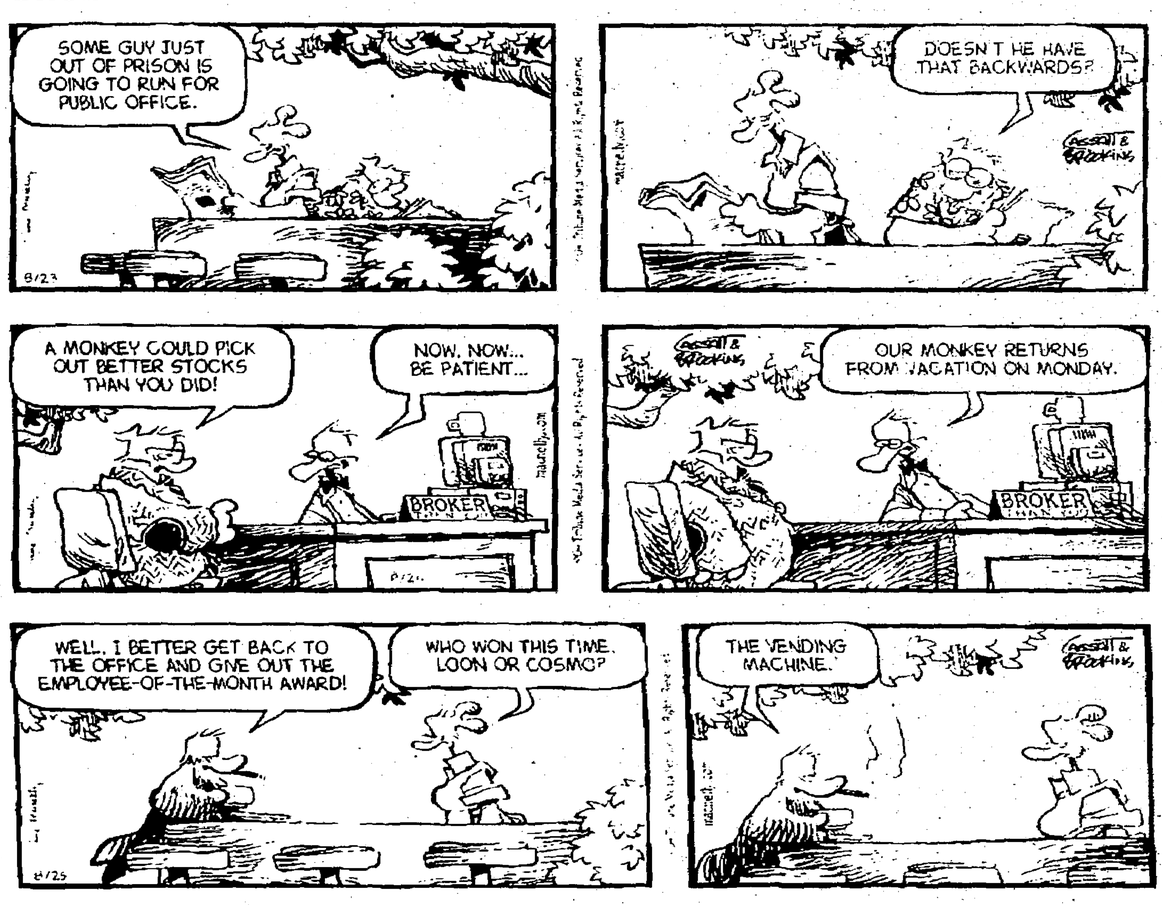

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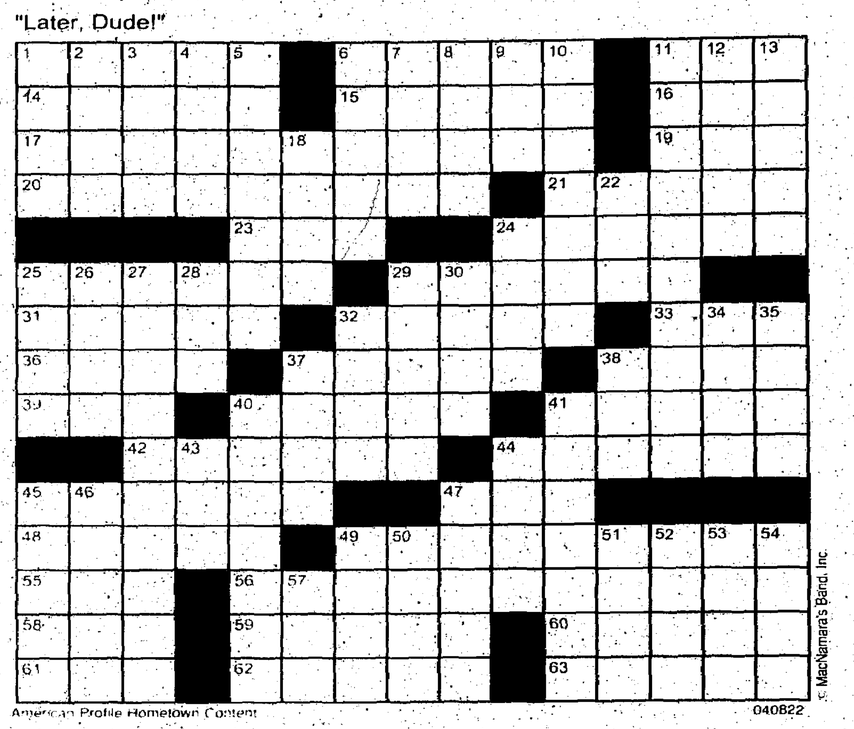

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ACROSS
1. Vanzetti's partner
6. Prim and proper
11. A dance, when doubled
14. Troy, as it's also known
15. __ blanche
16. Barnyard brooder
17. ADO
19. Gerund ending
20. Like letters on a crate, maybe
21. 1,000 kilograms
23. Phase out
24. "Frankly, __ I don't ..."
25. Japan, the Land of the __ Sun
29. Jagger's group, for short
31. Data to be entered
32. Strip mall unit
33. Immeasurable time
36. Checklist unit
37. Plow maker John
38. Slight lead
39. Hoss, to Ben
40. Sordid
41. Got to second base, in a way
42. Library stamps
44. Phonied up
45. Bad thing to lose
47. Old French coin
48. Overdo it on stage
49. Added starch to
55. __ Andreas Fault
56. TOOTLES
58. Dead heat
59. Works hard for
60. Violinist Mischa
61. Like a fox
62. "Okey-__!"
63. Bar tabs, e.g.

DOWN
1. Sis and bro
2. "Thanks __!"
3. Use as a reference
4. McCarthy aide Roy
5. Gumball price, once
6. Spill hot coffee on
7. London gallery
8. Bone-dry
9. "Who am __ say?"
10. Breath-freshening gum
11. CHOW
12. Reddish brown dye
13. Rile up
18. Pug's workplace
22. Laudatory lines
24. Song from "Mondo Cane"
25. Reformer Jacob
26. Enthusiastic about
27. BUY
28. Elemental suffix
29. Goblet features
30. Canadian conservative
32. Burn the surface of
34. Stare lustfully at
35. On a __-to-know basis
37. XING sign critter
38. Greek H
40. Soaked in hot water
41. Like toy animals at carnivals
43. Well put
44. Upholstered piece
45. Lab diagnostics
46. Cyberspace memoranda
47. Wimp
49. Cutty __ (historic ship)
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57. China's __-tse

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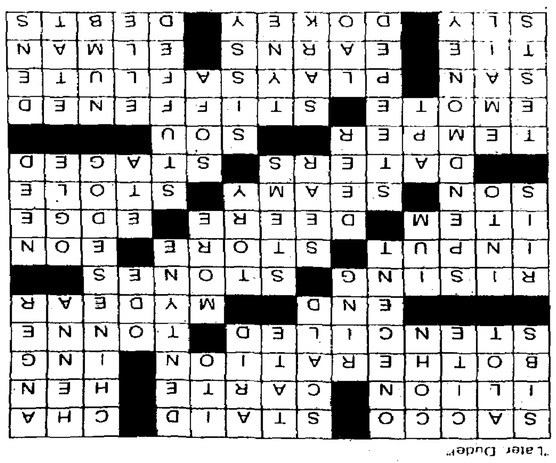

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POLICE BRIEFS

Bloody arrest

Ruidoso police arrested two adult males and a juvenile, all from Mescalero, Aug. 20 on Main Road, after being dispatched about a person running through the street "bleeding about the face." The officer saw three people leaving in a vehicle and made a traffic stop, then transported them to the police station.

Frederick B. Chee, 18, was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia and being a minor buying or possessing alcohol. Troy D. Blaylock, 22, was charged with possession of less than one ounce of marijuana.

A 16-year-old male was released to a parent, and the other two were transported to Lincoln County Detention Center.

Bounced

Police arrested Morgan B. Baker, 27, of Ruidoso, Aug. 20, charging him with resisting, evading or obstructing an officer.

A bouncer at Win, Place & Show Bar, 2820 Sudderth Drive, complained to the officer that Baker, at that time getting into a taxi, was possibly engaged in illegal activity in the WPS Bar.

The officer followed the taxi to Allsup's Convenience Store at Mechem and Sudderth drives, and when Baker got out, the officer asked him about his possibly illegal activities in the bar, which he denied.

He ran away, pulling items out of his pocket after the officer asked him to empty his pockets on the hood of the patrol car. The officer caught him after 20 or 30 yards and arrested him, but a subsequent search of the area did not turn up the items he pulled out of his pockets.

Disorderly

Police arrested Patrick J. Ryan, 44, of Ruidoso, at McDonald's, 144 Sudderth Drive, on Aug. 20, charging him with disorderly conduct/public intoxication.

The officer had been dispatched about an unwanted subject on the premises and found Ryan passed out under a table and bench in the rear lobby.

The officer could not wake him, so he dragged him from under the table and he awoke and was arrested and transported to Lincoln County Detention Center.

Household battery

Police arrested Jesus Robles, 22, of Ruidoso, Aug. 21, charging him with battery against a household member.

Trespassing

Police arrested Byron L. Carpenter, 43, of Capitan, on Aug. 22, charging him with criminal trespass of a residence in the 400 block of Grove Drive.

Family feud

A two-year feud between two neighboring families in Ruidoso Downs erupted into an altercation between two Ruidoso High School students on at 8:10 a.m. on the first day of school, Aug. 19, when a 15-year-old male was charged with battery and referred to the Juvenile Probation Office.

School administrators imposed their own disciplinary action, according to the police report, and both families were to sign a contract that they would not fight and would stay more than 100 feet from each other.

Dogged

Alison A. Stevens, 23, of Capitan, was cited at Ridgecrest Drive and Bobby Lane Aug. 18 for having three dogs at large.

Drugs stolen

A southeast Ruidoso resident reported that a 30-day supply of Ritlan and 22-day supply of oxycontin were stolen from her residence.

TV theft

A burglary in the 100 block of King Road between Aug. 15 and 18 resulted in the theft of a TV-VCR valued at $300, a TV-VCR-DVD valued at $300, a 13-inch black color TV valued at $100 and a Cannon 35 mm ShurShot camera valued at $300. Officers found the back door frame damaged, and the resident had found cigarette ashes on the bathroom floor.

Big breakfast

Staff of Best Western, 97 Camelot Drive, reported that several items had been stolen from the breakfast area of the motel between 11 p.m. Aug. 14 and 6 a.m. Aug. 15.

The officer found a large window open in the pool area next to the breakfast area. Missing were a juice machine, a cereal dispenser for Lucky

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HOUSE CALL

DIANNE STALLINGS/STAFF

This home belonging to A.F. Keisling, 300 Heath Drive, was damaged by a pickup on Aug. 14. The truck's driver, Jason M. Adams of Roswell, was cited for reckless driving. Skid marks can be seen in the lawn.

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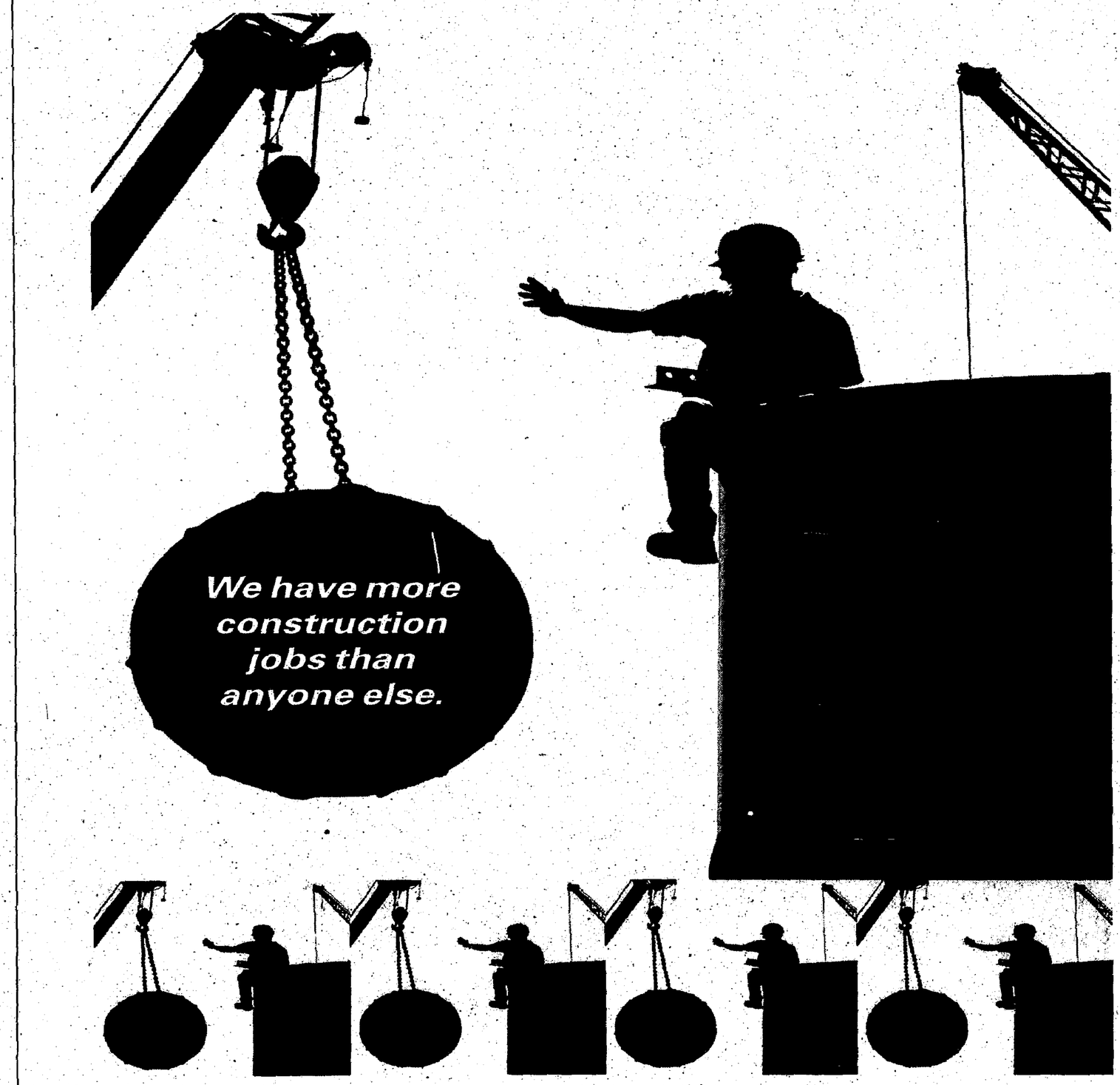

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Charms, three red Folgers coffee dispensers, a white GE toaster, a stainless steel crock pot, one gallon of milk, two frozen quarts of orange juice and other foods.

Wallet taken

A Ruidoso Downs dispatcher reported to Ruidoso police that his wallet, containing $630-650, was taken from his vehicle between 7 and 8 p.m. Aug. 21 at the ball field on Ski Run Road.

The report states that an unknown person reached in and took the wallet from the victim's wife's open purse "without his permission."

Hot car

A vehicle was stolen some time before 2:20 a.m. Aug. 22 from Midtown, police report. The 1983 Chevrolet S10 pickup truck, valued at $1,800, was believed by the victim to have been hotwired.

Drilled

A vehicular burglary resulted in the theft of a sound system and cordless drill, valued at $1,280, between 10 p.m. Aug. 18 and 7:25 a.m. Aug. 19 in the 1000 block of Mechem Drive.

Break-in

A Thriftway employee reported that his vehicle had been broken into in the parking lot of the grocery store at 304 Mechem Drive about 10:20 a.m. Aug. 20.

He told police he went to the back of the store to throw out trash when he heard his car alarm go off, where he saw a male with a black baseball cap wearing a short-sleeved shirt exit the passenger side of his truck, get in a light-gray sedan and drive away.

The report states that the suspect broke the driver's side door handle but "gained entry through the passenger side door."

Missing wallet

A wallet was reported stolen from a residence in the 100 block of Paradise Canyon Road between 2 and 2:30 p.m. Aug. 19.

Let them eat cake

A clerk at Allsup's Convenience Store, 127 Highway 70, called the police department Aug. 19 to report the theft of 95-cent honey buns and poundcake between 2:45 a.m. and 3:21 a.m.

He said two Hispanic and one white male were in the store complaining that the burritos were not prepared and each grabbed a honey bun and began eating them while yelling at the clerk and becoming belligerent.

The three suspects left in a vehicle that the clerk could not describe.

A fourth suspect, wearing a cowboy hat, then ate a 95-cent poundcake after paying for a cup of coffee. He said he would return with the money for the poundcake but had not done so at the time of the police report.

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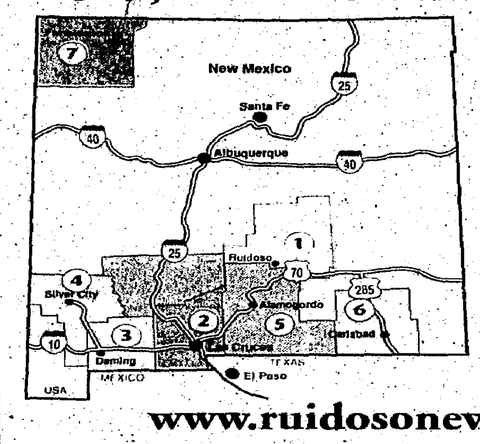

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102 CONDOS FOR SALE

FOR SALE BY OWNER
CHAMPIONS RUN CONDO
Unit 306: 2 Bed/ 2 Bath
2 Car carport. $69,900
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CHAMPIONS RUN CONDO
Unit 610: 3 Bed/ 3 Bath
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103 MOBILE HOMES FOR SALE

2BR/2BA W/SCREEN room on nice corner lot at 104 River Lane; Ruidoso Downs. $58,800. 937-0185 or 257-6739

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105 HOUSES FOR RENT

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ELEGANT FURNISHED- 2 Bedroom Town home near Farley's, 244 Sunny Slope DR. Views, decks, no pets, no smoking. $375/week, $895/month. Reserve now. 505-937-0282

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105 HOUSES FOR RENT

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106 CONDOS FOR RENT

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107 APARTMENTS FOR RENT

1 BEDROOM furnished apartment, 1803 Sudderth. $450/month, non-smoking. Call Steve Stroud 258-3377.

1&2 BEDROOM APARTMENTS For rent. Unfurnished, Water paid. No pets. Call 378-4106

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107 APARTMENTS FOR RENT

Efficiency Apartment for Lease
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UNFURNISHED ONE Bedroom apartment $475/Month plus deposit. gas, water paid. 378-4661

108 MOBILE HOMES FOR RENT

2BR/1BA- NEW carpet, paint. Perfect for 2 people. Come see at 116 E. Harriss Lane, Ruidoso Downs.

108 MOBILE HOMES FOR RENT

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112 LOTS FOR SALE

LIQUIDATION SALE on Builders lots, 10 view lots in Ruidoso and Alto Area. Call 378-4800.

WONDERFUL LOT
in Alto area with 360 degree views. This lot is a heavily forested 5-acre lot and has recently had a **new 30 gallon per minute well drilled on it!** House plans available. **Asking $85,500.** Call 505-647-9280 for more information.

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114COMMERCIAL PROPERTY

MID-TOWN COMMERCIAL w/Sudderth visibility. Presently studio/home. Good parking. $149,500 Jennie-Stevens RE 1-505-937-3865 or 505-630-9900

115 COMMERCIAL PROPERTY/ RENT

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136 MOBILE HOME SITES FOR RENT

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Construction, framers, general labor, food service, housekeepers, clerical clerk.
All Skill Levels!
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CITY OF RUIDOSO DOWNS

The City of Ruidoso Downs, NM is accepting applications for the position of **Street / Shop Laborer.** Salary $9.00 hourly. Position open until filled. Complete job description and applications available at the City of Ruidoso Downs 122 Downs Drive Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346 Phone: 378-4422 Fax: 378-4586 EEOE

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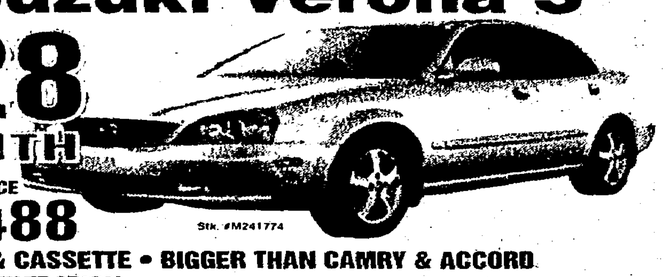
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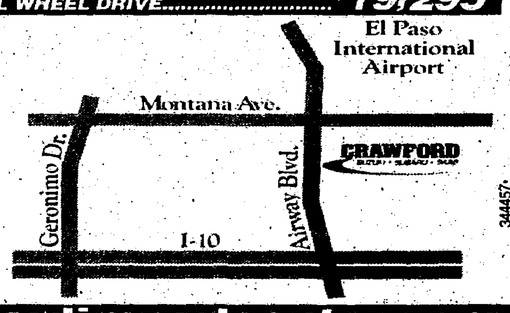

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THE LINCOLN COUNTY WAR

During the 1870's a group of civilian merchants gained control over the economy of Lincoln County, New Mexico, southwest United States, including a monopoly on filling lucrative contracts from the military at Fort Stanton. This group who monopolized trade and their allies was called The House.

But in 1877, their control was challenged by an English entrepreneur, John Tunstall. Tunstall's employees and supporters were known as The Regulators, and followers of "The House" violently resisted them.

The battle was fought both in courtrooms and also through gunfights, murders, and cattle rustlings. Even the Army became involved. Eventually members of "The House" killed Mr. Tunstall.

And, as might be expected, "The Regulators" fervently vowed to take vengeance upon the House group resonsible for killing Tunstall. Among the group of "Regulators" loyal to Mr. Tunstall was a young man who was known as Billy the Kid.

200 HELP WANTED

Restaurant Help Needed

Cornerstone Bakery Café is interested in talking to you about opportunities at the café. We are seeking wait staff, cooks, dishwashers, etc. for full or part time positions. The café is open Thursday through Monday for breakfast and lunch service.

Apply in person at:

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352 Sudderth

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FULL TIME Laundry help needed Apply in person Becker's Mountain Laundry, 721 Mechem.

HEAD START Custodian/Food Transportation/Bus Monitor - Region IX Education Cooperative (Lincoln County Head Start) is seeking highly qualified individuals committed to early childhood programs for a position at the Capitan site.
Minimum qualifications:
1. High School diploma or equivalent
2. Knowledge of cleaning supplies and equipment
3. Knowledge of minor maintenance and tools
4. Must posses own vehicle for food transportation
5. Ability to assist bus driver in child transportation

Only fully qualified individuals need inquire. Application deadline is August 30, 2004 @ 4:00 pm. Call REC IX - (505) 257-2368 (Fred Romero or Teresa Barnett) for complete job descriptions and application. REC IX is an equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, age, marital status or handicap/disability in employment practices or the provision of services.

200 HELP WANTED

HONDO VALLEY PUBLIC SCHOOLS FACULTY/STAFF VACANCY NOTICE
2004-2005 School Year

Language. Arts/Reading 7th and 8th grades (Temporary position beginning October 4, 2004 thru February 10, 2005). Salary will be based on placement on certified salary schedule.

Minimum Requirements:
NM K-12 Teaching License with Language Arts endorsement Current Resume
Three (3) current references Application.

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Send letter of interest with request for application to:
Cindy Gomez
Administrative Assistant
Hondo Valley Public Schools
PO Box 55
Hondo, NM 88336
Or call: Main Office
(505)653-4411

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IMMEDIATE OPENINGS. Great starting pay. All shifts available. Shift Managers & maintenance person needed. Opportunity for advancement. Full/Part time available. Apply in person for immediate interview at Taco Bell.

MANAGER POSITION Open- Please submit your resume to Golden West Pawn & Sales, 137 Hwy 70 E, Ruidoso NM, 88345.

MATURE PART-TIME Clerk needed for retail store. Call 336-2811 for information.

SUPER 8 Motel is now accepting applications for the Front Desk Manages. If you are interested in applying for a position and have the following qualifications: Good Customer Service Skills, Computer Skills, Money Control and are available to work evenings, nights or weekends. I am also looking for an Office Person who would be able to handle computer bookkeeping and general office functions on a part time basis. Rick Arlaud.

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Ruidoso News
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200 HELP WANTED

OPERATOR II- Lincoln County Road Department. The applicant must have working knowledge in the operation and minor maintenance of light and heavy equipment; general road maintenance and construction labor; and general labor activities. The applicant must have a clean driving record; no felony convictions; and must possess a valid New Mexico Class A Commercial Drivers License with endorsements N or X. Obtain application and job description from Martha Guevara at 505-648-2385 ext.100. Closing date for applications is 5:00PM., Tuesday, September 7, 2004. Lincoln County, Equal Opportunity Employer and in Compliance with ADA Requirements, Title II-A.

PART-TIME CLERK Position. Mainly evening hours. Apply in person at Crown Point Condominiums 220 Crown Dr.

PICADILLY PIZZA Now hiring kitchen help. Apply in person at TR's Market. Mon-Fri. 9:00am-6:00pm 336-7819

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RUIDOSO

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Excellent benefit package included (vacation, sick, retirement & insurance).
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313 Cree Meadows Dr.
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Phone 258-4343 or 1-877-700-4343.
Fax 258-5848.Website. www.voruidoso.com
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Every Wednesday & Friday

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VACANCY NOTICE
Capitan Municipal Schools
Employment Vacancy:
Teacher/Elementary/K-5
2004-2005 Academic Year. Application Deadline: Until Filled. For detailed information and application please call 505-354-2239 or download from web page at www.capitan.k12.nm.us

THERAPIST- LICENSED Physical and Occupational Needed Full-Time. Wages DOE. Contact 257-9071.

HEAD START TEACHER ASSISTANT - Region IX Education Cooperative (Lincoln County Head Start) is seeking highly qualified individuals committed to early childhood programs for 1 position at the Hondo site.
Minimum qualifications:
1. CDA certification in Early Childhood Education or an Associate Degree in related field desired
2. Successful experience working with preschool age children
3. Strong written, verbal, and interpersonal skills
4. Demonstrates dependability, cooperation, loyalty and responsible behavior and attitudes
5. Demonstrates a willingness to work in a coopera-

278 AUCTIONS

TOWN OF CARRIZOZO EQUIPMENT
AUCTION
TOWN OF CARRIZOZO CITY MAINTENANCE YARD
CARRIZOZO, NEW MEXICO
SATURDAY, AUG. 28, 2004
10:00 AM SHARP

Viewing: 8:00 AM to Sale Time or by Appointment prior to Auction Date
DIRECTIONS: Intersection Hwy 380 & 54, go E 380 7/10 mi. and turn S on dirt road at W end of Carrizozo Municipal Golf Course - go 2/10 mi. to dead end

AUCTIONEER'S STATEMENT: Most of the equipment in this Auction is either in good running order or needs very minor repair

VEHICLES & EQUIPMENT: 2002 Chevrolet Impala, 1952 Water Tank Truck, International L185 M-600, 1962 Dodge Dart Station Wagon, 1973 F-350 Ambulance, 1993 Caprice, 1989 Chevy Caprice, 1988 Ford Ranger Pickup, 1984 Chevy 16 Passenger School Bus, 1981 Ford Pickup, Toro 3 Reel Gang Mower and Greens Mower, Rogers Aerator, 3' Backhoe Bucket, Sewer Router, Chain Saw, Weedeater, Scrap Metal, 6' & 4' Pipe

OFFICE EQUIPMENT: 4 Typewriters, panther II Box & 7 Phones, 2 Bookshelves, 2 Computer Printers, 2 Copy Machines, 2 Cell Phones & Chargers, Computer Keyboards, Tower, Base, Monitors & Tables, 4 File Cabinets, 2 Desks, Copier w/sorter, 2 Office Chairs, Tandy TRS-80 Computer w/Monitor

POLICE EQUIPMENT: 2 Shotguns chambered for 2" & 3" Shells, 7 Boxes Shotgun Shells, 12 ga., Eagle Radar Carrying Case, Life Hammer, 2 Night Sticks, Pistol Holder, Magazine Holder, 2 Pepper Spray Holders, 3 Belt Clips, Polaroid Camera, Radio Charger, Radar Box, Gun Cleaner, 2 Radar Antennas, Cassette Holder

WALKER'S AUCTION SERVICE
Auctioneer: Frank Walker #TX6783
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E-Mail: antique@tularosa.net

304 BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

MOTEL – 31 units, nice owner's living quarters with fireplace, attractive Western-style architecture, room furnishings created by renowned Hondo and Alamogordo woodworker Doug McIntyre, extra land for expansion. Profitable business in beautiful mountain resort area. For Sale by Owner, (520) 439-4201.

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★ Ruidoso, N.M
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***Only serious inquires**
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278 AUCTIONS

AUCTION
RANCH LAND
Saturday, August 28, 2004 at 1:30 PM

Location:
From Hondo, New Mexico Intersection of US Highway 70 and US Highway 380 West 1-1/4 mi. to sale site.

Approximately 547 deeded acres recently surveyed. About 1500 ft. highway frontage. Domestic water rights to property. All acreage will sell as one parcel.

Some nice home sites and hilly areas. Good livestock and horse property

Good location 25 minutes to Ruidoso, NM and 45 minutes to Roswell, NM

TERMS OF SALE
There will be a minimum starting bid of $300.00 per acre. Successful buyer will be required to post a bank certified check in earnest money in the amount of 5% of total sale price at conclusion of auction. Sale contract will be signed at that time. Remainder of sale price will be paid in full to seller at escrow closing. Buyers must have letter of reference from their bank.

Inspection of this real estate property will be on Friday, August 27th from 9:00 AM until 6:00 PM and Saturday, August 28th from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

For more information contact
Bill Hernandez Auction Services
2305 Harvard Alamogordo, NM 88310
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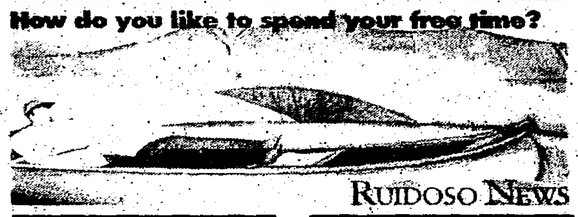

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Run your garage sale ad (up to 20 words) on Wed. & Fri., for only $10! Call 257-4001.
See the notice in the classified section of this newspaper for restrictions & info.

200 HELP WANTED

tive working environment in a team setting with another teacher

Only fully qualified individuals need inquire. Application deadline is August 30, 2004 @ 4:00pm. For complete job description and application call (Teresa Barnett or Fred Romero) 257-2368. REC IX is an equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, age, marital status or handicap/disability in employment practices or the provision of services

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273 PERSONALS

HUNGRY. NEED FOOD? We will help you in Jesus Christ name; Non-Denominational. 336-9116

278 AUCTIONS

AUCTION
C&L Lumber & Supply
2028 Hwy 70 West
Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico
September 11, 2004
Saturday, 9:00 AM
Trusses, Lumber, Hardware, Vehicles and Much, Much More!
Call **505-526-1106** for further information

290 PETS

BORDER COLLIE Puppies, **B&W OR RED&WHITE** $150 ea. 828 Highlands, Ruidoso Downs. 210-844-2939 or 210-213-8065

DARLING & Lovable twin tuxedo kittens. Looking for a loving home. 2 months old. Call 257-6974 or 258-1699.

TOY FOX Terrier Female Puppies For Sale UKC/AKC Registered Older male also available Prices vary. 1-505-336-1540, Ruidoso area.

304 BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

COUPLE RELOCATING to Ruidoso looking for managing equity position in or purchase of existing local business. Extensive management experience. e-mail: jrd2112@msn.com

VERY NICE Upscale Gift Shop in Midtown $67,000-Cash. No Real Estate. Please reply to Box 2132, Ruidoso NM 88355.

400 MISCELLANEOUS

JOCKEY CLUB tickets for sale; Labor Day weekend 505-258-1264 or 258-4036

KOKOPELLI FULL Golf Membership. $15,000 Call Pat Guthrie at 258-4300

LAZY BOY sofa w/end reliners. $175. Commercial gas oven. $150. 937-0095

QUEEN SLEEPER Sofa, beige. One year old. $300. Queen bed (mattress & box spring), with 6- drawer pedestal. $100. 378-8304

401 ANTIQUES/ART

1920'S ENGLISH Cocktail cabinet w/round doors, & disco mirror. $400. Other collectables. Milagro's Art & Clay, Village Plaza 2306 Sudderth Dr. 257-5421

ANTIQUE BUFFET, table, w/built in leaf, 6 chairs with peacock wood backs. All recently restored. Must see $2,000 O.B.O. 378-4800

ANTIQUES SHOW & SALE. Ruidoso, August 27th, 28th, 29th @ Convention Center, 111 Sierra Blanca Dr. Fri., 5-9pm. Sat., 10-6pm. Sun., 12-5pm. 55 Exhibits! Proceeds Benefit Noon Lions Club. Info 505-257-2776 or 806-355-4264.

402 APPLIANCES

WASHER & Dryer for sale. 5-6yrs old, $150/Both. Call Jim @ 512-626-1225

413 FURNITURE

ENTERTAINMENT CENTER. Beautiful dark oak, glass doors, ample storage. $700/new. $375. 257-1090

LARGE SECTIONAL Sofa, has full bed & 2 recliners. Very good condition. Phone 257-5457

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413 FURNITURE

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MOVING SALE- Everything Must Go! Household items, furniture, chain saw, electric pipe threader with vice, truck tire chains/tool boxes, security screen door, propane tank w/gas. 1991 Dodge Dynasty $1200 OBO. Call to view 257-4898 or 937-3825.

420 MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

SPINET PIANO with bench, $500. Can deliver 257-5284

424 PRODUCE

BLACKBERRIES: You Pick or We Pick. Containers provided. 9am till 5pm. San Patricio Berry Farm. Gala & Fuji Apples are Ready! MM279.5. Phone 653-4502

452 YARD & GARAGE SALES

800 HULL. Furniture, household, clothes, lemons to me! Bargains to you. No checks. No large bills. Saturday 8 to ?

BENEFIT GARAGE SALE
Accepting saleable items for the benefit of cancer patient Jennifer McWilliams. For drop off info. 808-0286 or 257-0400
Accepting items through August 26th

FRIDAY, 9-1. 904 Hull. Baby furniture, kids toys and clothing. Furniture, bicycles, exercise equipment.

GARAGE SALE- 28th & 29th. 8am-? 421 2nd Street. Lots of furniture, appliances, clothing, knick-knacks, & etc.

GARAGE SALE-
Saturday, August 28th
8am-? Help support Gateway's youths' mission trip to Mexico
415 Sudderth Dr.

GIGANTIC INDOOR SALE- Thurs., Fri. & Sat. 8:30-5:00pm. No Early Birds Please! 271 E. Hwy 70, Downs. Next to Ray's Automotive. Gas fireplace insert, knickknacks, glassware, bedding, toys, items to numerous to mention. **More Items Added Daily!** Proceeds to benefit cancer patient Jennifer McWilliams.

MOVING SALE, 10 am Saturday. Lookout Manor Condominiums 417 Mechem, in back. Furniture, jewelry, electronics, tools, building materials & clothes.

SATURDAY, 8AM to noon. Household items, furniture, clothes. 318 Barcus Rd.

SATURDAY/SUNDAY 8AM-5PM, 317 LL Davis. Teddy Bears, oil lamps, 7 1/2 ft lighted Xmas tree, PortaCrib, depression glass, much more!

TOOLS-TOOLS Routers, sanders, nail guns, toolboxes, hand tools, saws and much more. Saturday 7 to 4:30, Sunday 9 to 1. 107 Wingfield St. at *Ortega Custom Woodwork*

YARD SALE Friday, August 27th, 8am, 222 Rio Arriba. From furniture, too toys.

HUGE SALE
At "Stash Storage"
Units #56 & #60
1107 Mechem Dr.
Saturday, Aug. 28
10 AM until 3 PM
Furniture, king mattresses, general household & yard items.
No pre-sales or earlybirds please.

501 SERVICES

HOME & Deck repairs, also painting, power washing, sealing. References available. Call 258-3703

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501 SERVICES

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601 AUTOS FOR SALE

2003 ECLIPSE GT, Price Reduced! 38,000 Miles, fully loaded, moon roof, beautiful car! $16,000 OBO. Call 257-4699 Leave message.

2004 BUICK Regal, 12,000 miles, $18,000. Call 937-3059

92 LEXUS SE 300 Sports car, black, gray interior, new chrome wheels, new Yokohama tires. Immaculate inside and out. Motor runs perfect. Auto shifts like a new one. 145K miles, showroom condition, moonroof, AM/FM, cassette, cruise, etc. $6,995. 336-2000

1997 CHEVY Tahoe LT, 4WD, Dual media, leather, great condition. 336-2527

1997 LEXUS LX450 SUV, 4WD, leather seats, beautiful car, 87K miles, below book price. In Carlsbad, 361-8057.

602 AUTO PARTS & ACCESSORIES

FOUR- 16" Chrome, 8-lug, Ford 3/4 ton wheels, with Michelin LPX-AP Tires, $475. Call 937-3166.

TRUCK SHELL. Light silver. Fits toyota and most small trucks. Has sliding windows. Easy on/off. $400.00 OBO. 257-0780.

655 FOUR WHEEL

'89 CHEVY Suburban, 135k miles, 4x4, $2800. Ford Ranger Camper Shell $100 OBO. Hauling Trailer $300. 258-1017

657 TRUCKS FOR SALE

1978 CHEVY Truck. One Big Bad Truck! 4x4 w/350, sort step-side bed. $3,000 or trade for motor home. 257-4265. Ask for Twala.

1994 FORD F150, 4WD. $4,000. Call 937-3059

2001 FORD F150 XLT, V-8 Triton engine, 4x4, loaded, towing package, bed liner, grill guard, excellent condition. 336-2527

2002 RAM 2500, quad-cab, cummins turbo, H/O 6-speed, shortbox, 7-way seat, CD, SLT, loaded. 505-336-9997

LOOKING FOR A GOOD TRUCK? 1972 Ford pick up, new tires, 5th wheel attachment and runs great. $1750 O.B.O., 258-4574, 937-1121.

678 RECREATIONAL VEHICLES

2003 BOUNDER, 36ft., 2-slides. Only 6K miles, loaded with options. Still in warranty. Excellent condition. $77,500. Alamogordo. 505-491-8660.

2003 Pilgrim Open Road 5th wheel, 35ft. Fully loaded w/3 slide outs. Paid $41,000 will sell for pay off of $32,000. Call Tripp or Aimee @ 258-8811

686 LEGAL NOTICES

#6242 4T (8)4,11,18,25
LEGAL NOTICE

CITATION FREEDOM FROM PARENTAL CUSTODY AND CONTROL (ABANDONMENT)
(RE: ADOPTION)
Case Number BN004366
Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles
IN THE MATTER OF KILESTO MARIE ROLLER, minor. A person who should be declared free from the custody and control of his/her (their) parent or parents.
TO: KENNETH BUCK ROLLER and to all persons claiming to be the father or mother of said minor person(s) above named.
By order of this Court you are hereby cited and (required to) (may) appear before the Judge Presiding in Department 421 of the above entitled court, located at 201 Centre Plaza Drive, Monterey Park, CA 91754 on November 8, 2004 at 9:00 a.m. of that day, then and there to show cause, if any you have, why said person should not be declared free from the control of his/her (their) parents according to the petition on file herein.
For failure to attend, you may be deemed guilty of a contempt of court.
You are hereby notified of the provisions of Family Code 7860 which provide the judge shall advise the minor and the parents, if present, of the right to have counsel present. The court may appoint counsel to represent the minor whether or not the minor is able to afford counsel, and if they are unable to afford counsel, shall appoint counsel to represent the parents.
The petition filed herein is for the purpose of freeing the subject child for placement for adoption.
Dated: 6/1/04
JOHN A. CLARKE, Executive Officer/Clerk of the Superior Court
By: T. NGU, Deputy
NOTICE TO THE PERSON SERVED
You are served as an individual citee
The time when a citation is deemed served on a party may vary depending on the method of service. For example, see Code of Civil Procedure Sec. 413.10 through 415.40.
CN709845 AXELSON
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#6244 4T (8)4,11,18,25
LEGAL NOTICE

LINCOLN COUNTY SPECIAL DISTRICT COMMISSION NOTICE OF PROCEEDINGS

The Lincoln County Special District Commission shall hold a public hearing on August 26, 2004 at 1:00 pm at the Alto Lakes Golf & Country Club, Alto, NM, in the Sierra Room. Then and there, the Commission will hold a public hearing on a proposal to create an Alto Lakes Water and Sanitation District. The factors to be addressed at the public hearing are as outlined in 4-53-8 NMSA 1978.

AGENDA
I. Appointment of a Secretary to keep minutes of the proceedings.
II. Brief historic overview.
III. Discussion of Special District Procedures, Section 4-53-8
IV. Public hearing on proposal to form Alto Lakes Water and Sanitation District.
V. Approval of Formation of Alto Lakes Water and Sanitation District.

/s/Tammie Maddox
Lincoln County Clerk

#6263 3T (8)20,25,27
LEGAL NOTICE

SCHOOL BASED HEALTH CLINIC HEALTH CARE PROVIDER REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Needed Services: Provision of health care provider services for two school based health clinics (Ruidoso High School/Ruidoso Middle School). Contractor must provide, as specified:
1. Direct health care services as described in School Based Health Clinic Standards;
2. All licenses, waivers, certifications, and supervision for those services described in the School Based Health Clinic Standards; and
3. Contractor must maintain, and present documentation of all required professional insurance.

Contract Qualifications: Contractor must meet all licensure/certification requirements as established by the State of New Mexico, and appropriate boards of licensure, and must present proof of such licensure/certification. Contract Length: Services will be provided for the 2004-2005 school year and will be aligned with the Ruidoso Schools' calendar. Services will commence on September 6, 2004, or as soon as possible thereafter.

Contract Amount: Contractor must submit complete compensation requirements in proposal, gross receipts tax, other taxes and fees, and will list hourly rates and reimbursable expenses separately.

Proposal Submission: Contractor must address all contract specifications in his/her proposal submission. All proposals must be received no later than 4:00 p.m., Monday, August 30, 2004 at:

Region IX Education Cooperative 1400 Sudderth Ruidoso, NM 88345

#6265 1T (8)25
LEGAL NOTICE

Request for Bids 04-05-004

"Construction of Hondo Valley Fire Substation" (REBID)

Due Date: September 14, 2004, 2:00 p.m. MDT

The County of Lincoln is requesting bids to construct a prefabricated metal building to serve as the Hondo Valley Fire Substation. This is a rebid of the previous Request for Bid 04-05-002 and includes major changes in the scope of the work and specifications. All work will be subject to NM Dept. of Labor Wage Rate Decision LI 04-1056B.

Bid packets can be obtained at the County Manager's office, 300 Central Ave, Carrizozo or by calling Jane Williams at 505-648-2385 ext. 105.

/s/Jane Williams
Purchasing Agent

#6265 4T (8)25(9)1,8,15
LEGAL NOTICE

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO

ORLANDO MONTOYA and ANGELINA MONTOYA,
Petitioners,
v.
ANDREA MONTOYA and OSCAR HERNANDEZ,
Respondents.

AMENDED NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT

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

ANDREA MONTOYA and OSCAR HERNANDEZ

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Petitioner has filed a Petition for Termination of Parental Rights in the above captioned cause wherein you are named as the Respondent.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the general object of this action is to terminate your parental rights as determined in Lincoln County Cause No. DM-2004-118.
The Petitioners' attorney is Angie K. Schneider-Cook, 1096 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 Petitioner on or before October 5, 2004, being 20 days from the last date of publication of this Notice.

686 LEGAL NOTICES

WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court this 18th day of August, 2004.

/s/Jan Perry
Clerk Of The District Court

By: Jolene Biggs
Deputy

686 LEGAL NOTICES

New Mexico was entered into the Union on January 6, 1912 as the 47th state.

In 1950 the little cub that was to become the National Fire Safety symbol Smokey the Bear was found trapped in a tree when his home in Lincoln National Forest was destroyed by fire. In 1963, in Smokey's honor, the New Mexican legislature chose the black bear to be the official state animal.

FACT

In 1863-68

Known as the "Long Walk", Navajos and Apaches are relocated to Bosque Redondo; finally allowed to return to their homelands after thousands die of disease and starvation.

HOLIDAY DEADLINES

So that our employees may spend the holiday with their families.....

The RUIDOSO NEWS will be closed on Monday, September 6th in observance of Labor Day.

Advertising *DEADLINES* for Wed., Sept. 8th will be Friday, Sept. 3rd @ 3:00pm.

To reserve your advertising space Call: 257-4001

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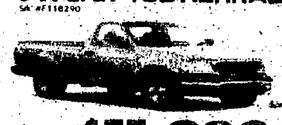
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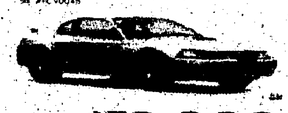
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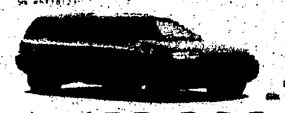
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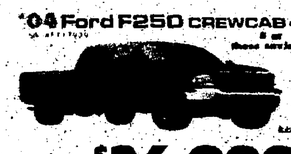
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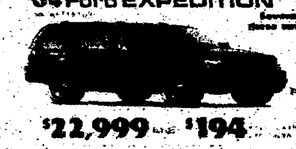
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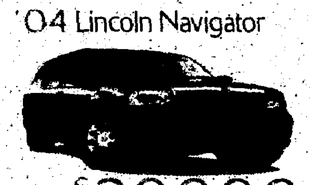
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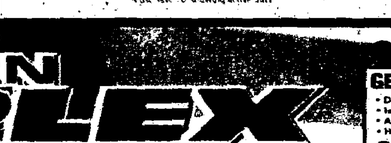
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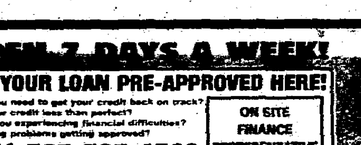
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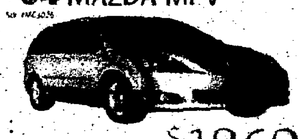
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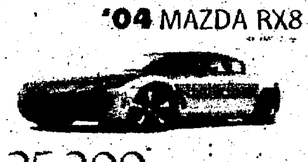
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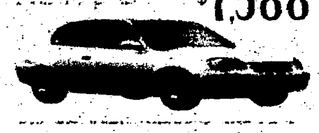

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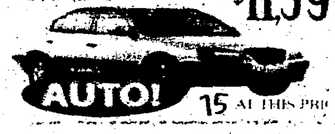
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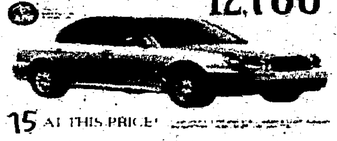
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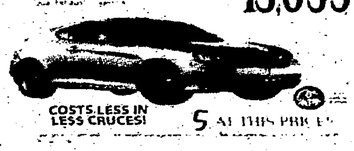
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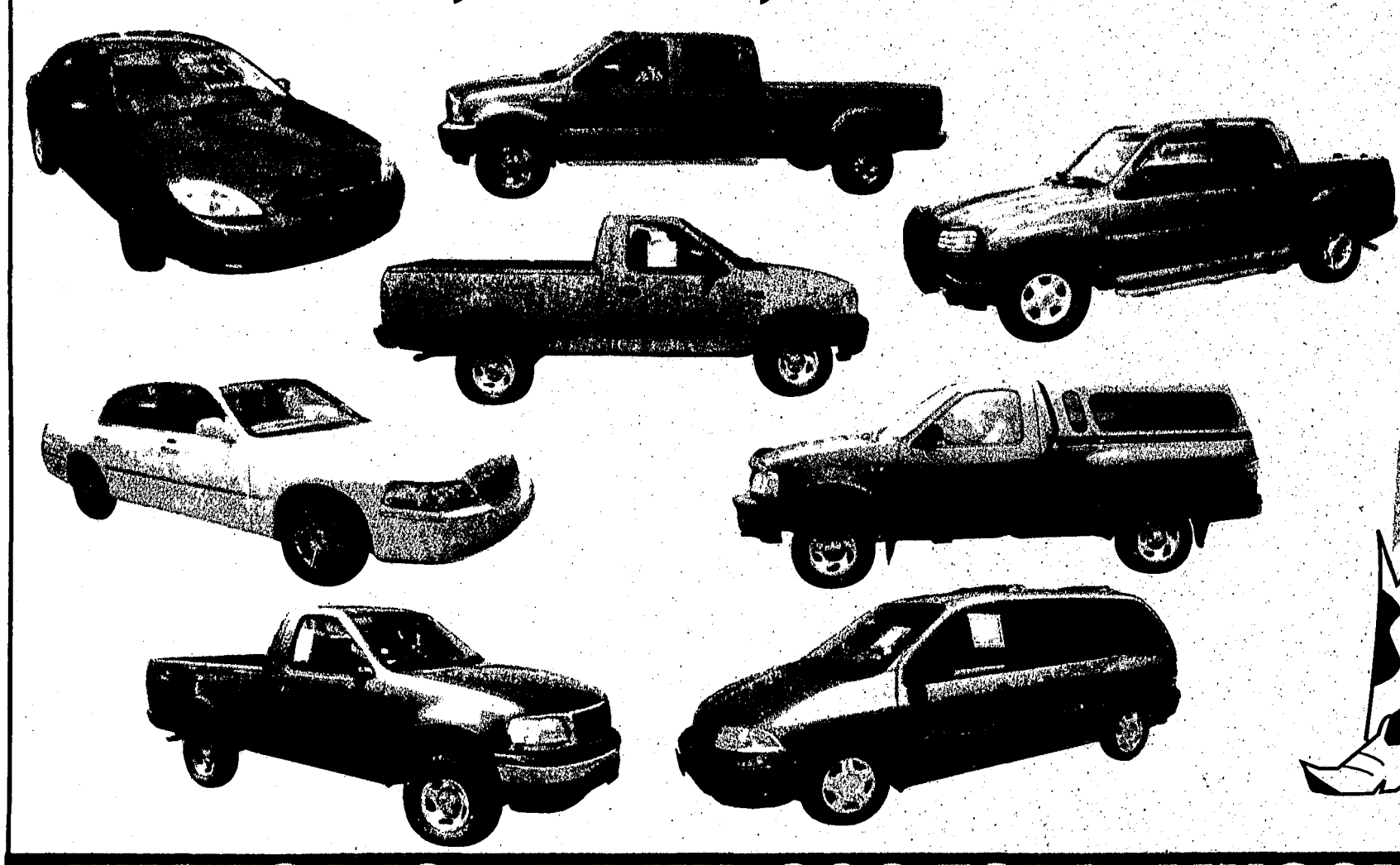

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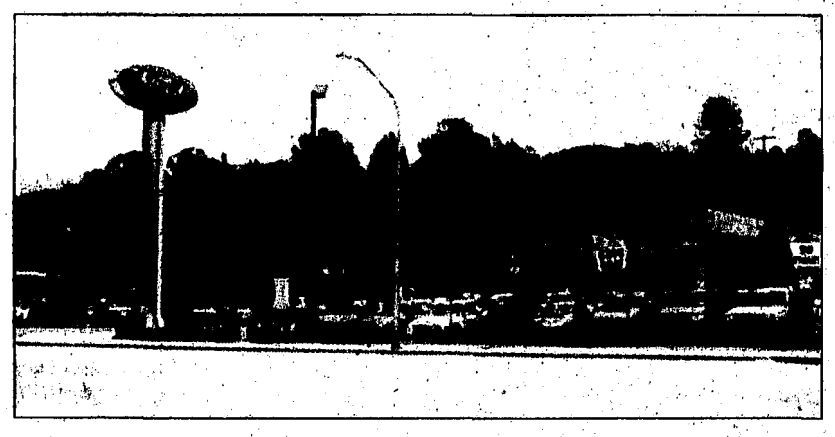

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