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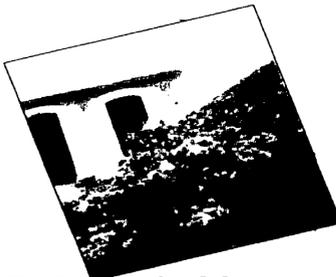
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Lincoln National Forest draws a crowd

■ Unattended campfires were a concern over holiday weekend

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Campgrounds in the Lincoln National Forest were swamped over the weekend with Memorial Day visitors, but some left their camp fires unattended, risking wildfire.

Jay Esperance, fire manager for the Smokey Bear Ranger District of the national forest, warned Tuesday that although the grass is green, pine needles are dry and could ignite into a major blaze quickly.

He urged campers and forest day-users to act responsibly with camp fires and cigarettes.

Otherwise, he cautioned, he may have to consider enacting restrictions on

campfires in the forest, he said.

While that possibility is being mulled, forest technicians driving through campgrounds are jotting down license plate numbers to allow district staff to pinpoint any violators if an incident occurs. They could be cited, he said.

Bill Tucker, a fire prevention technician who supervises the Bonito area, said despite heavy forest use Memorial Day weekend, only a few incidents of poor fire control occurred.

"We didn't have a lot of problems, but there were numerous camp fires abandoned or unattended, which is not good," Tucker said.

"We need to ask our folks to be a little bit more attentive to their fires, not to go off and leave them. I know we're fairly wet, but things can dry up real quickly."

One abandoned camp fire crept through the grass before it was extin-

guished, he said.

"People just need to be a little more responsible for their actions in the forest," Tucker said. "They need to be careful with the ashes, which remain hot. There was one incident that caused some problems."

Esperance said negligent forest users can be prosecuted.

"We're going to start enforcing the law," he said. "If people leave (camp fires) unattended, there's a good chance they will be cited."

"To show we are serious, our technicians are taking down license numbers as they drive through. They will have



Esperance

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Fire manager, Smokey Bear Ranger District

them on record if something happens. I hate to have to do that, but we want to protect our community."

In New Mexico, the Coyote fire in the Santa Fe National Forest spread past 150 acres, which was the original treatment goal of the prescribed burn, and is now more than 600 acres. Another fire at Vales Caldera has been isolated.

Several lightning-ignited fires in Lincoln County and the Mescalero Apache Reservation in the past two weeks were kept to a few acres each.

Agencies confident in aerial resources

■ Helicopters, smaller planes finding favor in firefighting strategies

FROM REPORTS

Federal fire fighting agency leaders said Tuesday they have a sufficient mix of aerial resources to meet this fire season.

The announcement follows preliminary results of a study on P2V air tankers, which showed that they could be used in the upcoming fire season.

"While many wildland fires are effectively suppressed on the ground without the need of air support, aerial resources remain one of the many tools that assist firefighters in stopping more than 99 percent of all fires before they ever become unmanageable," said Mark Rey, USDA under secretary for natural resources and environment. "In recent years, fire managers have increased the use of smaller planes and heli-

copters in fire fighting support because of their increased capacity and maneuverability compared to the larger air tankers, which offer the benefit of long-range delivery of retardant rapidly in the initial attack of a wildfire."

In May 2004, the Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management terminated the contracts for 33 heavy air tankers due to the National Transportation Safety Board concerns about the airworthiness of the aircraft. In July 2004, the agencies determined the airworthiness of eight P2Vs and returned these planes to service.

In February, the Forest Service initiated an engineering study to determine the life limit of nine P2Vs. The operational service life is expressed in how many hours an aircraft can be safely flown. It takes

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Cave discovery termed 'unparalleled' wonder

■ Fort Stanton Cave's 'Snowy River' might be longest calcite formation

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Several years ago, dedicated cavers penetrated a narrow passage that led to previously unknown "rooms" filled with exotic formations and tied into miles of virgin Fort Stanton Cave territory.

But that was just the beginning.

U.S. Senator Pete Domenici, a Republican from New Mexico, Tuesday revealed the discovery of the Snowy River passage of the cave, an "unparalleled natural wonder" in Lincoln County that the senator said may be the longest continuous calcite formation in the world.

The Snowy River passage was discovered by volunteers of the Interior Department's Bureau of Land Management

(BLM) in 2001, but passage closure was withheld until the completion of an environmental assessment of the passage and its formations.

The passage was first explored by veteran spelunkers Tom McLean and team members Lloyd Swartz, Don Beck, and Andrew Grieco, building on a long legacy of exploration of the Fort Stanton Cave area that dates back to the mid-19th century. Fort Stanton Cave was designated as a National Natural Landmark in 1975, according to information from the senator's staff.

The length of the Snowy River passage is more than two miles, which are mapped. When survey teams stopped the last expedition, the passage was 40 feet in diameter and continued to stretch beyond the limits of their lights.

Domenici said he plans to

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Rain clouds threaten to wash out a practice fishing day for Sonia Sanchez, 6, and her sister, Mikayla Sanchez, 3. They planned to perfect their casting techniques for the 12th Annual Fishing Day Saturday at Grindstone Lake.

Gone fishin'

■ It's all for the kids on Saturday

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For about as long as he's lived in Ruidoso, wildlife biologist Larry Cordova has looked forward to an annual event where he is swamped by pint-size anglers.

As a representative of the U.S. Forest Service in the Smokey Bear Ranger District,

he took on the task of organizing the annual fishing day at Grindstone Lake Reservoir, which coordinates with National Fishing Day.

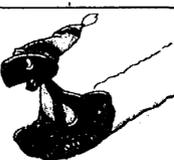
The event set for Saturday celebrates all of the special relaxation and excitement that goes with fishing and aims to encourage a new generation to try the sport.

Although parents come with their children from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., the focus and rewards

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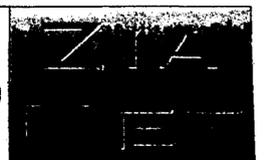
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A Ruidoso moment....



This historical photo shows a portion of Midtown as it appeared in 1969.

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CLUBS MEETINGS

Ongoing

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

Mountain High Recovery Group of Narcotics Anonymous: Meets 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, 7 p.m. Thursday, 7:15 p.m. Saturday, 7 p.m. Sunday and 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Best Western Ruidoso Inn, 97 Camelot Drive at Highway 70.

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

Alcoholics Anonymous: 7:30 a.m., noon, 5:15 p.m., 8 p.m. daily 613 Sudderth, Suite H; 257-9397.

Wednesday, June 1

Alzheimer's Monthly Support Group: 7-9 p.m., first Wednesday of the month, Ruidoso Care Center, 200 Resort Drive; 257-9071.

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 www.fbcruaidoso.com

Lincoln County Planning Commission: Notice: Today's meeting is cancelled. Next regular meeting is July 6 at the Lincoln County Courthouse.

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

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

Pine Top Rod and Custom Car Club: Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. at various locations; Doug Babcock, 257-7365.

Ruidoso Book Review & Discussion Group: 10 a.m. the first Wednesday of every month at the Ruidoso Public Library, 107 Kansas City Road. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Thursday, June 2

B.P.O. Elks No. 2086: 7 p.m., first and third Thursdays, Elks Lodge Building, U.S. 70; 257-2607.

Lincoln County Adult Singles: Meets every first and third Thursday at various locations. Other meeting or event

times will vary during the month. For details and meeting times, see the planned activities. For further information, please contact Doris (258-3799) or Darrell (354-2635) or Sharon (585-8535). The Lincoln County Adult Singles Group welcomes all adult singles. You can also go to our Web site <http://www.highcountryeng.com> or <http://www.lcscg.com> to learn more about our events.

Lincoln County Chess Club: 5 p.m. every Tuesday at Arby's Restaurant, 633 Sudderth Dr. All experience levels welcome. Bring your own equipment; Bob Moeller, 354-8036.

Republican Party of Lincoln County: 6 p.m. the first Thursday of each month. This month's speaker: New Mexico Commissioner of Public Lands, Patrick Lyons, talking about possible drilling on Otero Mesa. If you plan to attend dinner, call John, 258-3614, or Fred, 336-4490.

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

Sierra Blanca Swingers: 7:30 p.m. the first and third Thursday of each month at Nob Hill Elementary for basic and mainstream square dancing; 336-4808.

Friday, June 3

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

Weight Watchers: 9:30 a.m. Friday and 5:30 p.m. Monday at Community United Methodist Church, 220 Junction Rd.; Marcia, 258-8879.

Saturday, June 4

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

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.

Sunday, June 5

Charity Bingo: Sponsored by BPOE #2086 2 p.m. Sunday and 7 p.m. Friday at the Elks Lodge on Highway 70 West; Ruth Ann, 257-2607 or 257-6142.

Monday, June 6

Alcoholics Anonymous women's open meeting: 6:30 p.m. every Monday at Gateway Center, 613 Sudderth, Suite H; 378-8391.

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

Ruidoso Downs Auxiliary: 7 p.m. the first Monday of every month at the Ruidoso Downs Senior Center off East Highway 70; 378-8099 or 378-8316.

Ruidoso Women'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.

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

Tuesday, June 7

Al-Anon: Meets every

Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. at 613 Sudderth, Suite H; 257-9397.

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

Altrusa Club: 7 p.m., first Tuesday of every month, for program; noon, third Tuesday of every month for lunch, Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount, 121 Mescalero Trail; Beth, 258-4244.

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

Prepared Childbirth Class: 7 p.m. Tuesdays at the Lincoln County Medical Center's conference room. Six classes per session with qualified, certified instructors; 257-7381 (ask for 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. Call Barbara, 258-5445, Phillis, 257-5555 or Greg, 257-1255.

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

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

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Southeast NM Community Action Corporation

The Southeast New Mexico Community Action Corporation announces its new office hours.

The office, 613 Sudderth Dr., will be open from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, and from noon-5 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday.

SNMCAC may help persons meeting the required federal gross income guidelines with rent/mortgage assistance and prescription assistance and utility assistance.

The group is also taking applications for home repair services for qualified applicants. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call 257-6937.

Rural Bookmobile schedule

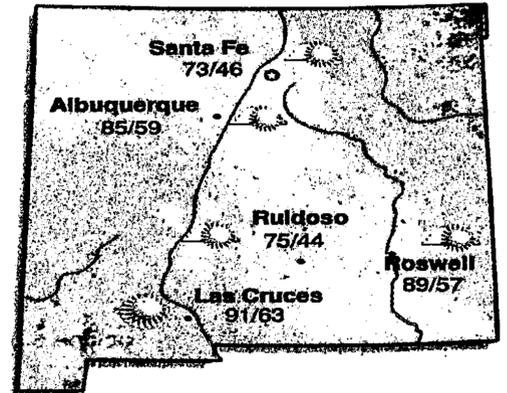
The New Mexico Rural Bookmobile East visits Lincoln County next week, noon-2 p.m. Tuesday at the Corona Post Office, and 3:30-6 p.m. Tuesday at Carrizozo Otero Electric.

Today's Weather

Local 3-Day Forecast		
Wed 6/1	Thu 6/2	Fri 6/3
75/44 Sunny skies. High near 75F. NW winds shifting to SSW at 10 to 15 mph.	75/42 Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the mid 70s and lows in the low 40s.	73/41 Sunny. Highs in the low 70s and lows in the low 40s.
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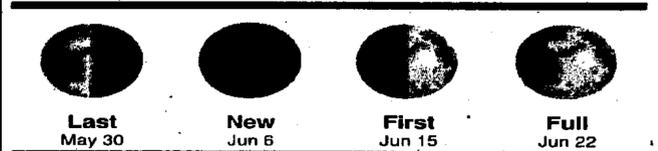
Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Alamogordo	92	61	mst sunny	Lordsburg	94	59	rain
Albuquerque	85	59	mst sunny	Lubbock, TX	85	62	mst sunny
Carlsbad	91	58	sunny	Odessa, TX	90	64	sunny
Chama	69	39	pt sunny	Raton	76	48	mst sunny
Clovis	82	54	mst sunny	Roswell	89	57	mst sunny
Deming	93	58	mst sunny	Santa Fe	73	46	mst sunny
El Paso, TX	92	67	sunny	Santa Rosa	84	57	mst sunny
Espanola	81	48	mst sunny	Silver City	86	54	mst sunny
Farmington	83	48	pt sunny	Socorro	87	57	mst sunny
Gallup	80	46	mst sunny	St. Johns, AZ	88	54	mst sunny
Grants	81	45	mst sunny	Taos	75	43	mst sunny
Guymon, OK	83	57	mst sunny	Truth or Consq.	89	63	mst sunny
Hobbs	90	60	sunny	Tucson, AZ	97	67	mst sunny
Las Cruces	91	63	sunny	Tucumcari	81	52	mst sunny
Las Vegas	73	46	mst sunny				

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	69	61	rain	Minneapolis	74	59	rain
Boston	62	51	pt sunny	New York	70	54	pt sunny
Chicago	77	57	mst sunny	Phoenix	99	75	sunny
Dallas	86	70	t-storm	San Francisco	68	54	windy
Denver	74	53	pt sunny	Seattle	59	50	rain
Houston	87	69	t-storm	St. Louis	83	65	t-storm
Los Angeles	70	60	pt sunny	Washington, DC	76	57	mst sunny
Miami	88	77	t-storm				

Moon Phases



UV Index

Wed 6/1	Thu 6/2	Fri 6/3
Extreme	Extreme	Extreme

The UV Index is measured on a 0-11 number scale. 0 is the lowest and 11 is the highest. The higher the UV Index showing the need for greater skin protection.

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Former municipal lifeguards file suit against village

■ Mayor, councilors, city employees named as defendants

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Three former lifeguards at Ruidoso's municipal outdoor pool are suing the village, a recreational department employee and her husband on claims of sexual harassment, retaliation, wrongful termination and other civil rights violations.

They are asking for unspecified actual and punitive damages.

Local attorney J. Robert Beauvais filed the suit in U.S.

District Court last week on behalf of Linda Celusniak, Davin Dennis and Melissa Temple. Named as defendants were Mayor Leon Eggleston, all village councilors, Human Resources Director Debbie Rogge, Village Manager Lorri McKnight, Recreation Department employee Ellen Bizzell and her husband, Joe Blaney.

The suit filed last week in U.S. District Court in Albuquerque claims that the three worked as certified lifeguards at the municipal pool during the summer seasons of 2002 and 2003.

At the same time, the village personnel ordinance set forth conditions of employment that

included a "strict no tolerance policy regarding sexual harassment directed at or initiated by its employees."

Bizzell was the immediate supervisor of the three lifeguards and was married to Blaney, who was a contract employee in the summer of 2002, assigned to maintenance functions that included the pool, according to the lawsuit.

The suit states that in May 2002, Blaney "engaged in highly offensive sexual conduct directed (at the girls) including inappropriate touching, entering into the women's dressing room when (they) were dressing, inappropriate and sexually (suggestive) comments and

similar conduct of a highly offensive nature."

The suit states the girls asked Blaney to stop, but when the behavior continued, they went to Bizzell. The suit contends she took no action. When the lifeguards returned in 2003, "They were immediately subjected to the same offensive conduct" by Blaney, the suit contends.

According to the suit, they formally complained to Bizzell's supervisor in June 2003.

"Despite assurances the inappropriate conduct would cease, no action was taken and the illegal and offensive conduct continued," the suit states. On June 9, 2003, they com-

plained to Rogge and McKnight. The suit states they were told to try to get along with their supervisor.

They were under the impression Blaney was told not to come on the premises, but they contend he continued to drive through the parking lot and to contact them despite their objections, according to the suit. They refused to return to work.

The suit claims the three "were threatened by (Rogge) who told them the opportunity to ever again work for the village was dependent on their returning to their jobs."

They resigned under protest. The suit contends they have a right to sue because the village

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Lawsuit contention

officials failed to provide a safe and non-discriminatory work environment.

Assistant Village Attorney Zack Cook said he has not seen the lawsuit and the case probably will be handled by attorneys for Risk Management, the village's insurer. Bizzell could not be reached for comment.

Drew Gomber lassos lodgers tax funds for new radio show

■ Historian and radio personality had earlier been refused funding

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A new radio show called "Saturday Stories with Drew Gomber" received Lincoln County Commission approval although some commissioners previously balked at using lodgers tax money for a different Gomber broadcast.

MTD Radio submitted the request for \$5,000 and the county lodgers tax committee recommended \$3,500 be allocated. Commissioners followed that recommendation during

their monthly meeting in May.

Commissioner Maury St. John reminded commissioners that the board rejected past requests "because (the show) didn't track the purposes of lodgers tax money because it didn't bring people into the county."

County Attorney Alan Morel said the lodgers tax rules are broad and money can be used for advertising and publicizing tourist-related attractions and activities.

He noted that the radio show was supported in the past by commissioners, but was questioned the last two years.

County Manager Tom Stewart said the big difference this

year is that the show is different.

Fourteen broadcasts are planned, seven from the courtyard of the Anderson-Freeman Museum in the historic settlement of Lincoln by historian Gomber, who also writes a column on Western history. The shows will run from May 28 to August 27, for one hour each.

"This is a whole new show," Commission Chairman Rick Simpson said.

"People can come and sit in and listen to the broadcast at Lincoln," Morel said.

But Commissioner Earl Hobbs, who led past objections, wasn't convinced.

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Earl Hobbs
County commissioner

heartburn in this effect, this is a sponsored program," Hobbs said.

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revenue."

Morel said almost every event funded by lodgers tax is an income generating operation. That's not a criteria for acceptance or rejection.

"They're trying to get tourists here for the money," Simpson said.

Morel agreed, saying that owners of lodges, cabins, RV parks, motels and hotels collect the tax from the people staying at their businesses and funneled it back into the community to promote tourism.

"It's irrelevant if they make money," the attorney said.

Commissioner Tom Battin offered the motion to approve all three lodgers tax requests.

"It's irrelevant if they make money."

Alan Morel
County attorney

The motion was seconded by Simpson and passed with Hobbs voting against it.

The other two requests were for:

• \$400 from the Lincoln County Rural Tourism Council to promote the Fiber Fest.

• \$500 for printing postage and advertising costs for Capitan High School Band/the Smokey Bear Fair Arts and Crafts Show.

Planners approve house use for an office

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Steve Stroud received approval from the Ruidoso Planning and Zoning Commission to use a house for an office on one acre at the corner of Barcus Road and Mechem Drive.

The board last month approved an amendment to the commercial site development plan because offices are a principal permitted use in the neighborhood commercial zoning district.

Stroud must provide a detailed landscaping plan or ask for a variance, provide a percentage of undisturbed area, provide screening from the residences to the east, create an aisle behind a few parking space to allow room to back up and close the Barcus driveway.

Other P&Z action

The zoning commission also approved a variance for allow David Greenshaw of Odessa, Texas, to construct a 285-foot addition within 4 feet, 9 inches

of the rear lot line. Standard setback is 20 feet, but the addition would line-up with the wall of an existing office on the .18 of an acre lot in Singing Pines subdivision.

The proposal met requirements for a variance because the lot is substandard in size, according to the planning staff. The property is zoned for single-family residential use and the lot at 117 Upper Deck Road is improved with a house, covered decks, covered carport, an office and a storage shed.

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OUR

County considering solid waste options

Service contracts not an automatic renewal these days

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners voted to consider its options regarding garbage and yard waste collection.

The Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority, a county-municipality coalition formed about 15 years ago whose service has come under fire, may well be the company for the job. But we see no harm in the commissioners perusing the alternatives by issuing a request for proposals.

Dissatisfaction over long-standing contracts seems to be in the air these days. The state's Children, Youth and

Families Department went out for RFPs regarding Camp Sierra Blanca, all but telling current operator Associated Marine Institutes that it's time for a change.

Ruidoso's EMS program operated by Presbyterian Healthcare Services is considered a model for the state. Nevertheless, with the contract up for renewal, the village has been exploring other avenues, including operating its own ambulance service through the fire department.

If it ain't broke don't fix it. But sometimes you have to examine the merchandise.

You, with the green hair: The tent is open

Help me with this. At what point in our history did the kids take over New Mexico schools and reduce teachers to pandering servants?

Case in point. A friend invited to speak at Ruidoso High told me he saw a teacher escorting a young man to the principal's office, being called all sorts of vile names on the way. With that attitude and that mouth, my friend figured, that kid was a goner.

Two days later, back on campus again, he was amazed to see the same loutish kid swaggering around. The animals

have taken over the zoo. It's that way all over the state. The *Albuquerque Journal's* Toby Smith wrote a superb three-part series on the ongoing battle New Mexico teachers have with disrespect, rudeness, total inattention, drugs, and threats.

Rather than continue taking the abuse, many of our finer teachers are heading for other jobs that may pay more, may pay less, but at the end of the day, give them their dignity.

It must stop. Forget the "right" to go to school. It's got to be about the "privilege" of an education. And it's not free. Ask parents who pay the taxes.

The pendulum must swing back. Start with the dress code. School uniforms are a good idea, but it is not going to happen. So enforce some standards.

You, the kid with baggy jeans hung low over your skinny frame, we know you want to look tough. You know who you are. The one with enough denim sagging over your rear end, a family of raccoons could take up residence there. Go home and put on pants that fit.

You, too, honey. Sure you look

sexy with those low-cut, tight-fitting jeans, but save the fanny show for the mall. The only skin we want to see is your little hand taking notes while a dedicated teacher gives you the stuff with which you might make something of yourself.

Come to school with the hair God gave you. If you show up with green locks tinged with orange and purple, it had better be Halloween.

Young man, if you have to wear a baseball cap, put it on with the bill pointing the same direction as your nose. And take it off in class.

We're going to enroll a whole bunch of you in Respect 101. It will be a huge study hall set up in a tent on campus and the teacher is going to be an off-duty cop.

Here are some of you who will end up there.

The first time we catch you on a cell phone, we're taking the phone. Come back with another phone, and you're out of here. Welcome to Respect 101. Text message your little heart out.

You kids who are sleeping in class, talking back to the teacher, disrupting the attention of others who are trying to learn, off to the tent. You'll be happier with the other slackers who don't give a rat's butt about getting an education.

Finally, if you threaten a teacher or call her names, you are out of here. Don't come back without your parents. And if they don't really care, sorry. Your luck ran out. Our schools just can't afford to babysit you any more.

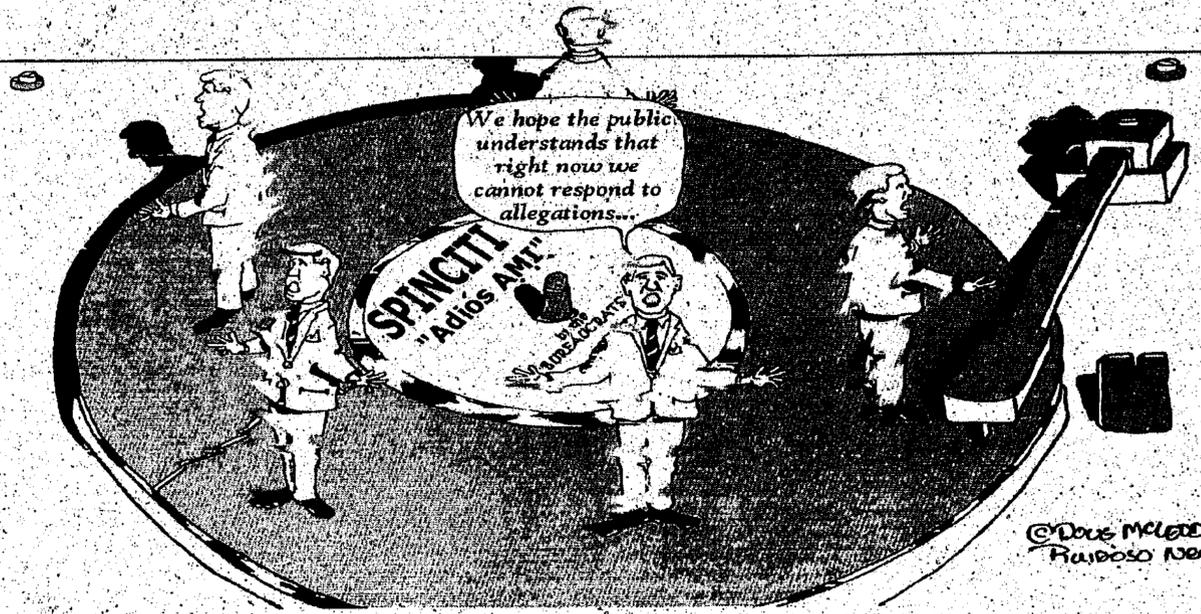
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YOUR

Judicial activism 'anathema' to the republic's health

To the editor:

Thanks to Don Dutton for a thought-provoking commentary [Understanding Judicial Activism, May 25]. A movement "to limit belief, thought and even action to one point of view; one thought pattern; one political theory or party" unquestionably exists. How surprising when subsequent paragraphs clarified that Mr. Dutton wasn't referring to Democrat politicians and their entertainment industry supporters. The article contained much verbiage, but little substance. "It is said" (referring to an interpretation of remarks by Majority Leader DeLay) raised basic analytical questions: Who said? Under what circumstances? Why should statements attributed to unidentified person/groups merit credence?

Later, Mr. Dutton deplored measures "seeking to tell judges how to do their jobs," referring to a house measure against using international law for interpretation of the U.S. Constitution. Which other nations? England? Western Europe? Iran? Cuba? Democratic Party leaders currently speak eloquently of tradition. To my knowledge, for over 200 years our judicial system has based judgments on our own constitution and laws.

Mr. Dutton argues "that federal judges are indirectly 'elected' by our elected representatives giving advice and consent..." Yet, in spite of another tradition of over 200 years, the minority party denies President Bush's judicial appointees an up-or-down vote, thereby negating the voice of the electorate.

What does Mr. Dutton not understand about the majority rules in a representative government? Will Democrats continue their concern for legislative minority rights should they win the majority?

Gentile readers, how do you feel about Mr. Dutton's comments in his last para-

graph? In essence, the chairman of the Lincoln County Democratic Party implies that those who disagree with him are ignorant, mindless xenophobes. But he does make one very good point. Perhaps turning off our radios will contribute to original thought. We may miss some favorite programming, but we will be spared the pledge campaigns!

Genevieve Phelan-Duncan
Alto

Courts are creating law

To the editor:

Mr. Dutton painted quite a rosy picture of the notion of judicial activism.

I don't see it quite that way.

The recent supreme court 5-4 vote in the "juvenile death penalty" case is a good example of judicial activism as I interpret the phrase. Step outside the subject of the case and the rather tenuous and slightly absurd question of whether someone who commits a capital offense at age 17 and 364 days should be spared while someone 18 should not be. Look instead at the reason Justice Kennedy offered in writing for the majority - evolving international standards of justice.

The Supreme Court looked to European thought on "the death penalty" for foundation in rendering its decision against the death penalty for juveniles. In a US case, the Supreme Court deferred to international sentiment to "...provide respected and significant confirmation for our own conclusions."

It is this foundation for rendering a decision to which Justice Scalia took stark exception in writing for the minority. Scalia argues that the Court should consider U.S. law exclusively in rendering its decisions.

"[International law] doesn't show what the Constitution originally meant, and it doesn't show what is fundamentally important to Americans today. It shows what's fundamentally important to somebody else today." --Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia

Marbury v. Madison, cited by Mr. Dutton, is the well known case in which the Supreme Court came to be "...the arbiter of the Constitution, the final authority on what the document meant." In no way was the decision in Marbury v. Madison some kind of free pass for courts (at any level) to go their own way as a function of the prevailing "thinking" or belief systems of the individuals who composed those courts. While establishing the Supreme Court as ultimate arbiter of the meaning of the Constitution, the decision was in no way a rubber stamp for "judicial activism."

Quoting Mr. Dutton, Marshall wrote that the limits written into the Constitution would serve no purpose "...if these limits may, at any time, be passed by those intended to be restrained."

Judicial activism, today, does precisely what Justice Marshall warned against in Marbury v. Madison.

There are multiplying instances these days of courts at all levels tending towards using their power and position to create, as opposed to review law. Appointment to the federal judiciary is a "temporary commission" (Federalist #78), not an election in fact or by implication, as Mr. Dutton states.

In the same writing, Alexander Hamilton made it abundantly clear that "arbitrary discretion" by sitting members of any court would be anathema to the health and survival of the republic.

Virginia Thompson
Alto

GUEST COLUMN

A six-pack, a paycheck — life is good

As the author of many disturbing questions, I was quite perplexed when asked what I would do if I didn't do what I do. Losing 20 IQ points, I reluctantly remembered the long abandoned "sheepie" mind set, put the brakes on the independent thought process, and put my trust back in our elected officials along with government in general. You know, this is getting real scary, real fast.

Commission meeting day, of every month would be like any other, focus on work; think about anything except government, breeze through life in apolitical bliss. Like most, I would leave the elected ones and bureaucrats to their own devices, being sure they would do the right thing. Only when they do something that affects me personally do I react. That reaction being little more than griping to coworkers or spouse about how bad government is. I know, as Americans, we're better than that.

If I didn't do what I do, I'd have only two eyes, that third vigilant eye would be blinded by the gyrations of deceitful,

compromising, political posturing. I wouldn't see the truth in that with each and every new law, we all lose a bit more freedom. One blind eye turned to city hall the other to commission chambers, I wouldn't care what happens, after all, everyone knows, you can't fight the government and win.

Sure, life would be simpler if I felt nothing about how we're treated by the system except on election day, when I'd feel just motivated enough

to try and predict the winner. Like about half of Americans I wouldn't go vote at all. It's so much easier to sit on the sidelines and comment on the play; after all, there's great risk and effort involved if you're a player. Yep, being an armchair, political quarterback would be my normal uninvolved game. Long as I got my cable TV, a six-pack and a weekly paycheck, life is good.

Hold up right there. This whole mess weighs too heavy on my countenance. I cannot, in good conscience, continue this drivel of despair. You see I was raised to believe certain things about govern-

ment, one of those being that we must question authority and challenge unfair laws. P.T. Barnum once said "The reasonable man adapts himself to the world. The unreasonable man adapts the world to himself. Therefore all change comes about as the result of unreasonable men." Think about it, it's absolutely pure American to be a contrarian.

One of my favorite quotes from Secretary of State Cohn Powell:

"When we feel strongly about something, we will lead, we will act, even if others are not prepared to join us." I feel strongly about government, and certainly don't mind taking a day or two a month to participate. It's not really a sacrifice of time and money, I consider it a civic duty. Take heart citizens, not all of our governmental problems are brought on by our neglectful non-participation, just all of them.

Yes, if I didn't do what I do, I'd consider myself a failure. I'd be that person who recognizes a wrong and even though I had the power to correct it, I'd do nothing. What are you gonna do?

Tony Seno is chairman of the Lincoln County Libertarian Party.



TONY SENO

AERIAL: Long-term plan formulated

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into account the stresses imposed on the airframe during different flight missions. Since the P2Vs were in service before the U.S. Navy's development of structural analysis and fatigue life limit programs, the development of this information required additional engineering work. In a typical fire season, a P2V aircraft flies approximately 200-300 hours.

Preliminary results of the study found that some P2V aircraft may be safely returned to service.

Once additional inspections are completed on the P2V aircraft, two of the aircraft currently on limited service will be returned to full service and seven additional aircraft may be awarded contracts for work beginning in July. Minden Air (Minden, Nev.) owns two of the P2Vs and Neptune Aviation

(Missoula, Mont.) owns the remaining seven.

Firefighters will have the following aerial resources at their disposal this season:

- At least six large helitankers and helicopters and more than 700 helicopters total;

- 28 single engine airtankers as well as about 70 on standby, including six CL215 and CL415 airtankers; eight military C130 aircraft outfitted with modular airborne fire fighting systems; seven P3 airtankers; and up to nine P2V airtankers (once additional inspections are completed).

Staff of the Forest Service and the Department of Interior, together with interagency partners, continue to work on a long-term plan for aviation resources.

The P2V operated as a land-based patrol bomber in the 1950s and 1960s by the U.S.

Navy and was the predecessor to the P3. The original manufacturer is Lockheed Martin, who produced the aircraft until 1963.

The preliminary outlook for the 2005 fire season shows normal fire potential in the southern and eastern states. Significant fire activity in the southwest is expected to occur mostly in the southern parts of Arizona and New Mexico at lower elevations.

Recent rainfall in the west has delayed an early onset of the fire season in the northwest and northern Rockies; activity in these areas should begin in early July.

Alaska is not expected to have another severe fire season like that of last year. Currently, the main threat for high fire potential is in the western Kenai Peninsula due to large areas of bug-killed spruce.

CAVE: Conservation area proposed

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introduce legislation next week to establish the Fort Stanton-Snowy River National Cave Conservation Area.

"We have not found a formation of this size anywhere else in New Mexico or perhaps anywhere in the world," Domenici said. "In addition to the beauty of this discovery, I am particularly excited about the scientific and educational opportunities associated with the find. This large, continuous stretch of calcite may yield valuable research opportunities relating to hydrology, geology, and microbiology. In fact, there may be no limits to what we can learn from this snow white cave passage."

Such a designation would be the first of its kind in the nation, said Interior Secretary Gale Norton.

"We look forward to working with the scientific community, universities, and local partners in the creation of a workable plan to conserve the Fort Stanton Cave including the unparalleled Snowy River discovery," she said.

When he learned about the discovery earlier this year, Domenici began drafting legislation to preserve the Snowy River passage for scientific and educational purposes. Investigations of the Snowy River formation may provide information on past water chemistry, weather trends, and flood and drought cycles.

"New Mexico is home to many natural wonders, and I am proud to play a role in the protection of this newest, unique discovery in our state," the senator said.

Domenici is drafting legislation to give the caves permanent protection by creating a conservation area. The bill will instruct the BLM to prepare a map and legal description of Fort Stanton Cave, and to develop a comprehensive, long-term management plan for the cave area.

The legislation also would:

- Conserve the unique features of the cave for scientific and educational purposes, as well as other public purposes that are deemed safe and appropriate pursuant to a BLM

management plan.

"We have not found a formation of this size anywhere else in New Mexico or perhaps anywhere in the world."

Pete Domenici
(R-New Mexico)

- Allow the BLM to work with colleges, universities, and scientific institutions to better understand the significance of this discovery

- Protect the caves from mineral leasing and mining operations

- Protect existing surface uses at Fort Stanton, including recreational opportunities.

The conservation area designation would not affect private land owners in the area, members of the senators staff said.

Additional information and images of the Snowy River passage are available at <http://domenici.senate.gov> or <http://www.doi.gov> <<http://www.doi.gov>>



Lozen Pericole Revis Enjady, left, 14, and Marganel L. Vigil, 12, are celebrating their Mescalero Apache puberty ceremonies beginning Thursday and running through Sunday at the ceremonial grounds off U.S. 70 in Mescalero.

Rites of passage to be observed

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Two Mescalero Apache maidens will celebrate their rites of passage into womanhood from Thursday through Sunday at the ceremonial grounds in Mescalero.

The public is invited to join the family and friends of Lozen Pericole Revis Enjady, 14, and Marganel L. Vigil, 12, for their feasts at noon and in the evening, then stay to watch traditional dancers at the grounds off U.S. 70.

Enjady is the daughter of Rena, J. Mendez and Eldon Enjady Jr., both of Mescalero. She has two older brothers, Justin D. Enjady and Eldon Enjady III, and one older sister, Raichael Casares. She is an aunt to nephew Roman Alisandro Rocha.

Her maternal grandparents are the late Justin S. Mendez and Imogene Mendez. Her paternal grandparents are the late Eldon Wallace Enjady Sr. and his wife, all of Mescalero.

Lozen is a direct descendant of Chief Victorio and his little sister, Lozen, lady warrior of the Chiricahua. Lozen also is a direct descendant of Mangas Coloradas, Chief Perico of

Oklahoma, Chief Dahawox of Mescalero and Lipan Apache Shash.

Lozen graduated from eighth grade and will enter ninth grade in the fall. She enjoys horseback riding, walking, and laughing with friends, as well as being around her family and playing football with her brothers.

She has two maternal uncles, Maynard Mendez and the late Ferron J. Mendez; three maternal aunts, Ivora Fossum, Claudine Saenz and Eileen Booher. Her maternal grandmother is Evelyn Gaines. Her paternal aunts are the late Kayma Enjady and Sandra Enjady of Mescalero. Matla Coonie and Lurleen Molina. Her paternal uncles are Oliver and Berkley Enjady, both of Mescalero; one paternal grandmother is Priscilla Randall, also of Mescalero.

Marganel Vigil is the daughter of Sharron J. Kane. She has two sisters, Sheyenne Vigil and Cheryn Vigil. Her maternal grandmother is Corliss Treas and her grandfather was the late Kelton Treas. Doris Bitsie and Priscilla Randall also are grandmothers, and Peggy Vigil is her paternal grandmother. Her maternal great grand-

mother was the late Margie Cajé and grandfather Amador Martinez Sr.

Marganel is entering the seventh grade at Ruidoso Middle School. During her time in sixth grade, she was named Injain Club Princess for White Mountain Intermediate School. She played a big role in the Suns Ruidoso Little League Basketball team during the championship game that they won for the fifth-sixth grade level. She also participates in the Mescalero Prevention and Boys-Girls Club programs. She plans to attend college and to continue to play basketball.

FISHING: Kids to rule on Saturday

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are reserved for those age 12 and under.

"Bring your family and friends out for a great day at the lake," Cordova said. "There are lots of fish to catch, games to play, prizes to win and canoe rides. Smokey Bear, also promised to be there."

On a sunny summer day, not much can beat sticking toes in a cool lake while floating some bait to reel in a rainbow or brook trout.

On Saturday, children under 12 can fish for free at

Grindstone Lake Reservoir.

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. children accompanied by their parents or guardians can also test their angling skills, paddle canoes, listen to educational presentations, participate in contests and games for prizes and be introduced to Smokey Bear, the national symbol of wildfire prevention.

Numerous sponsors

The outing is sponsored by the Smokey Bear Ranger District of the U.S. Forest Service, the U.S. Fish and

Wildlife Service, the New Mexico Game and Fish Department, the Ruidoso River Association and the Village of Ruidoso's Parks and Recreation Department.

Pitching to help with prizes and other support were Wal-Mart, Western Auto, Fly's Etc., Noisy Water Artwear, Ace Hardware, Candle Power, Galleria West, Black Bear Chainsaw Bears, Dexter Fish Hatchery, the Hubbard Museum of the American West, Grizzly's Bears and the Visions complex.

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EDUCATION



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Mark Remington, who wrote the "Smoky the Bear" song, performs campfire songs with elementary students.

Students prepare for camping season

DEBORAH WENZEL
for the Ruidoso News

Ruidoso elementary music teacher Laura Bryant invited a number of musicians from the community to visit her classroom and accompany the kids while they sang campfire songs such as "This Land is Your Land" and "The Ants Go Marching."

Bryant rigged up a "campfire" by placing a circular fan on its side and surrounding it with papier mache rocks. Yellow and orange streamers and a light

inside gave the effect of a roaring campfire. The campsite was completed with trees and flowers, and the room lights were dimmed for atmosphere.

The sing-along included students from Sierra Vista Primary (first and second grade), White Mountain Elementary (third and fourth grade) and fifth-graders from White Mountain Intermediate.

Among the local celebrity guests were: James Hobbs of the Flying J Wranglers, Mark Remington, former Nob Hill principal Roger Sowder, Ron Turner, Gary Stamper,

Barbara Staerckel (Mountain Annie's dinner theater), Dan and Dana Haynes, teacher Gary Bass, Randy Jones, Marilyn Trotter, and Tyler and Cody Jones.

In addition, there were a number of talented fifth- and sixth-grade students who played along with these artists. Those young musicians were Patrick Trotter, Vincent Reynolds, Bonner Patton, Johnny Dobbs, Josh Jarrell, and Brian Purnell. High School seniors, Destry Howland and Brittany Bryant helped coordinate these events.

CITIZEN GRINS



COURTESY PHOTO

Good Citizens at Nob Hill Early Childhood Center for May were: (back row) Sonia Espericueta, Vanessa Espericueta, Teresa Roberts, Chloe Elliott, Gabby Brouard, Berenice Gomez, Jeremy Moore, Hayley Voges, and Angel Sanchez; (middle row) Alarah Kazhe-Kirgen; Thomas Sams, Lexi Lucero, Velaina Kadayso, Cody Mathies, Brayan Rodriguez, Julian Garcia, and Josiah Saunders; (front row) Roger Bailey, Alan Gonzalez, Karina Medina, and Sandra Rodriguez.

Museum's summer arts program spreads out to 'Zozo and Hondo

"Fine Arts in Lincoln" is spreading out this year to include locations in Hondo and Carrizozo. The additional locations add two weeks of available art workshop fun for children ages 9 - 12, and it makes the program more accessible to children who might have trouble getting out to Lincoln.

Fine Arts in Lincoln is the Hubbard Museum of the American West's annual summer art program, now in its seventh year of providing quality art classes for the children of Lincoln County.

Meeting from 12 noon - 4 p.m., classes will gather at the Hondo School June 6 - 9, at the Carrizozo School June 13-16, and at the Dr. Woods Annex in Lincoln June 20-23. The three-week program is topped off with a special reception for the young artists on June 24 at the Lincoln Visitors Center. They will each choose their favorite piece for a special display of student work.

Recruiting top artists from the community to provide instruction, this year's program covers a variety of art forms, including music and dance, drawing, sculpture, and wild gourd painting. The Museum will provide all supplies for the classes as well as refreshments throughout the day. Tuition is



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\$8 per day or \$80 per student for all 12 classes. Space is still available. Call Coda Omness at 378-4142 to sign up for the classes of your choice.

In Hondo

Monday, June 6: Fiesta Dancing with Frank Herrera.

Tuesday, June 7: Cowboy Rope Art with Capitan rope artist Paul Navarez.

Wednesday, June 8: Clay Rattle Creatures with Sheryl McMonigal.

Thursday, June 9: Watercolor workshop with Cloudercraft artist Charles Walker.

In Carrizozo

Monday, June 13: Drawing

and Sketching with Sheryl McMonigal.

Tuesday, June 14: Shirley Taylor teaches Japanese Drawing.

Wednesday, June 15: Make clay pinch pots, with potter Ivy Heymann.

Thursday, June 16: Tempera Painting with Patsy Blasdel.

In Lincoln

Monday, June 20: Leland DeFord teaches Photography.

Tuesday, June 21: Gourd Art with Ol' George Tippin.

Wednesday, June 22: Wire Sculpture with Sara Brown.

Thursday, June 23: Origami with Toni Stubbs.

TOP NATIVE AMERICAN STUDENTS



COURTESY PHOTO

These students received an award for "Native American Student of the Year," Ruidoso High School. Back row: Kendra Martin, Kieler Comanche, Phil J. Smith, Adam Gallardo, and Charlene Bigmouth, Native American. Front row (l-r) Lacie Garcia, Megan Smith, Charleandra Largo, and Darius Ward.

EDUCATION BRIEFS

Hubbard Foundation scholarship awards

Each year the Hubbard Foundation provides three \$8,000 scholarships to graduates from any of the five Lincoln County high schools. Joan Dale Hubbard, vice president of the R.D. & Joan Dale Hubbard Foundation, announced that all three of these scholarships this year were awarded to graduates of Ruidoso High School.

The recipients are Chris Kluthe, Charli Krause and Brian Smith, who were recognized at the graduation ceremony on May 21.

Kluthe will attend the University of Puget Sound and major in biology. Krause will attend Reed College and major in English and Spanish. Smith plans to major in engineering at Columbia University.

A special "Foreign Exchange Scholarship" was awarded to Tereza Vochtova, a 2005 gradu-

ate of Capitan High School. Vochtova was a foreign exchange student from the Czech Republic.

Last year the Hubbard Foundation made scholarships available to 62 students to attend college.

Ruidoso Board of Realtors scholarships

The Ruidoso Board of Realtors selected seven recipients for scholarship awards from the graduating seniors of Lincoln County.

During graduation ceremonies at Ruidoso High School, the following students each received \$500 scholarships: Jasper Riddle, Courtney Gibson, Jake Tetrault, Patricia Zagone and Landree Siddens. The Board of Realtors awarded a Daphiel Austin Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$500 to Edward Gutierrez.

Austin Miller, a graduate of New Mexico Military Institute, also received a \$500 scholarship.

In addition, the board made a \$500 donation to the Glen Crane Scholarship Fund. The scholarships represent the commitment of the Realtor Association to the youth of Lincoln County in furthering their educational goals.

Crime Stoppers scholarship awards

Ruidoso-Lincoln County Crime Stoppers awarded \$500 scholarships to the following Lincoln County graduates: Alieh Shaffer and Madalyn Adkins of Ruidoso; Jamie Garcia of Hondo; Tierney Burd of Carrizozo; Opal Greer of Corona; and Veronica Reeves of Capitan. Jamie Garcia also received a new Dell computer. All of the award recipients were

chosen for their leadership qualities and community involvement.

Capitan board meeting

The Capitan Board of Education will meet in regular session at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, June 9, in the Capitan Board Room at the administration building. Agenda items include reports and special presentations by the student senate, CACT and PTA.

Business items on the agenda are:

- a.) out-of-state travel for the boys basketball team;
- b.) award of the copy machine maintenance bid;
- c.) the 2005-2006 agreement for athletic/activity travel;
- d.) the 2005-2006 Capitan-Hondo transportation boundary agreement;
- e.) and adoption of the Open Meetings Act policies and procedures.

The board will receive several informational reports, including legislative requests updates for 2004 and 2005, a baseball field update, and updates on the master plan, enrollment, utilities, the strategic plan, and the SB-9 project.

Board members received their credit hours for a local board training workshop, and they are attending a School Law Conference in Albuquerque June 2-4.

The board will enter executive session to discuss employee performances, some student information, and pending litigation matters. Any action resulting from discussions in closed session will be made when the board returns to open session. Following the closed session, the board will present personnel information regarding resignations and employment.

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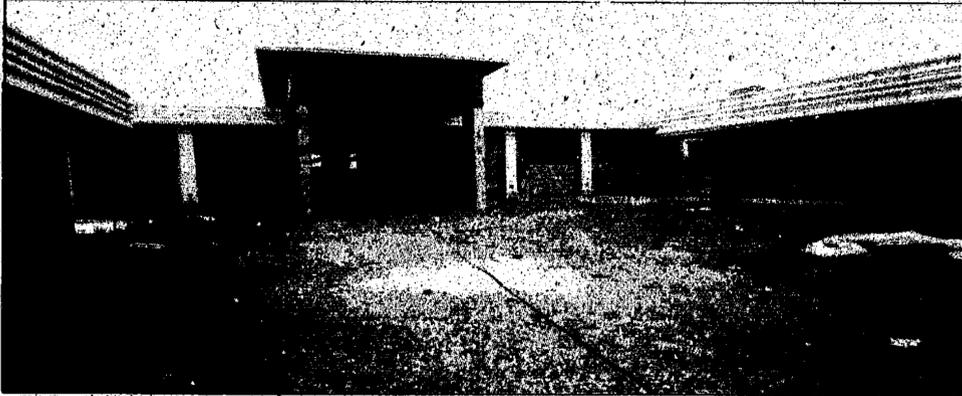
meeting, please contact the superintendent's office in Capitan at 354-2239.

Ensor graduates

SEARCY, ARK. — Kristi Ensor of Ruidoso was among the 580 graduates who received diplomas in commencement exercises at Harding University May 14. With a major in psychology, Ensor received a bachelor of arts degree.

Vehicle donated

Valor Telecom has donated a 1990 Dodge Truck to the Ruidoso Independent School District. The school's Industrial Arts program will refurbish the truck, which will be used for maintenance and equipment transportation. Valor has donated used fleet vehicles to various public schools and nonprofit organizations throughout New Mexico.



From the guest cabanas, visitors would enter the home by way of a massive covered "back door." The pool is around the corner to the left.

CEDARS: Home's future undecided

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inserts were created to allow tables, chairs and umbrellas to be secured in the water, an arrangement she saw on a trip and wanted to recreate.

The "back door," which for most people would appear to be a grand front entrance, is covered and leads to what was designed as a workout room and juice bar, a butler's quarters with fireplace and to three guest cabanas, each with bathroom, bedroom, kitchen and living room. A servant's entrance is tied to covered parking. All utilities are controlled from one room and high walls hide a generator as backup power. The exterior is finished on the home, ready to be painted.

But until the future of the home is decided — other possibilities have included a retreat for performers — gates are locked and a watchman is on duty around the clock.

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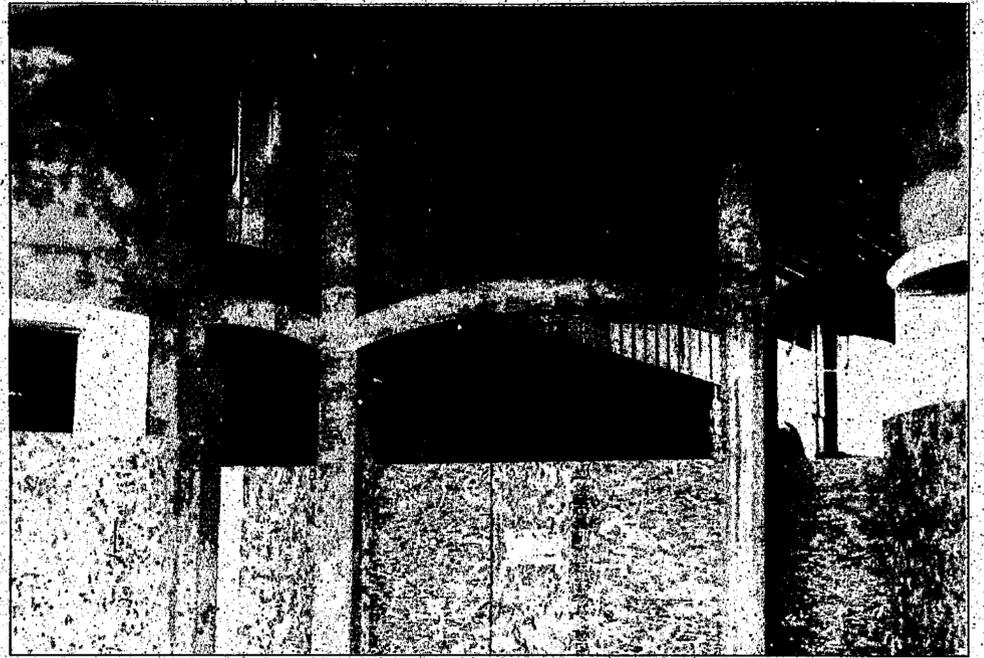
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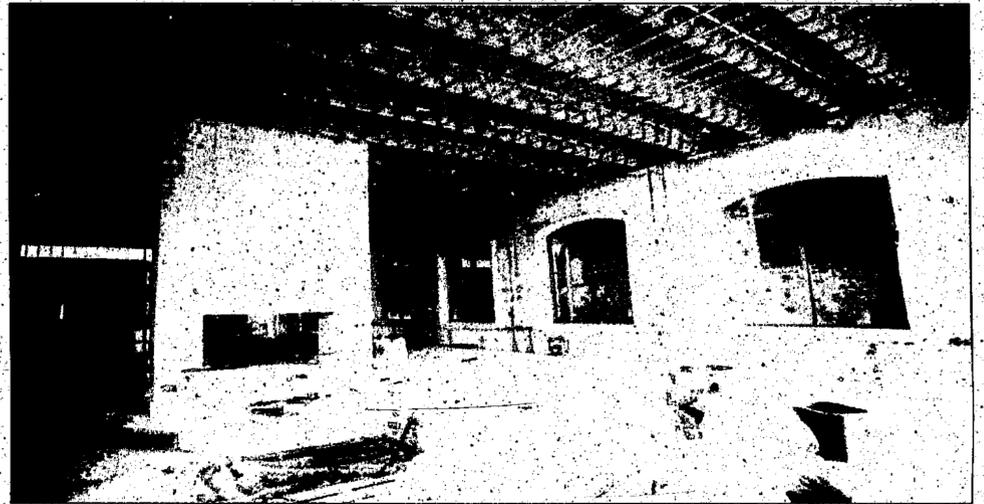


This was to be the bedroom of Ronne Lee Morgan, the late heiress' husband.



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The door and curved windows of the grand entry under the portico are boarded, but the elaborate series of interior arches and quarried trim used throughout the house can be seen.



The main hall is divided by a fireplace and features walls designed to highlight the valuable artwork collected by Spencer-Morgan.

POOP SCOOP

BY DIANNE STALLINGS
RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

One of the most tragic situations for a dog owner, victim and dog occurs when a usually docile and easy-going pet suddenly bites.

Often the response is provoked but that doesn't ease the pain not the possible consequences for the dog. At the very least, the animal could be quarantined at the local shelter until the owner can prove it is vaccinated and rabies-free. The separation can be traumatic for the dog and owner. At the worst, the court could declare the dog dangerous and order that it be destroyed.

Nothing is fool-proof, but the Humane Society of the United States offered some advice about how to minimize any chance of a misdirected bite:

• Spaying or neutering the dog.

"This important and routine procedure will reduce your dog's desire to roam and fight with other dogs, making safe confinement an easier task," they say. "Fixed" dogs are less likely to bite.

• Socialize a dog by introducing her or she to different types of people and situations to reduce nervousness or the chance he is frightened under normal social circumstances.

• Train the dog. Joining a training class "is excellent way to socialize him and to learn proper training techniques," society officials say. Training should be a family task, with each member learning the training techniques and participating in the dog's education, society officials say. But they adamantly oppose sending a dog away to be trained.

"Only you can teach your

dog how to behave in your home," they say. They contend that training classes are a good investment even for experienced dog caregivers.

• "Teach your dog appropriate behavior," they say. "Don't teach your dog to chase after or attack others, even in fun. Your dog can't always understand the difference between play and real-life situations. Set appropriate limits for your dog's behavior. Don't wait for an accident. The first time he exhibits dangerous behavior toward any person, seek professional help from your veterinarian, an animal behaviorist, or a qualified dog trainer. Dangerous behavior toward other animals may eventually lead to dangerous behavior toward people, and is also a reason to seek professional help."

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Two views of the "The Cedars" house of the late Jacqueline Bancroft Spencer Morgan: Above, from below the infinity pool wall, the back of The Cedars is grand enough to be a front entrance for many mansions. Below, The grand entry of unfinished "The Cedars" shows the massive portico flanked by boarded windows on acreage across the road and east of the theater she built.

DIANNE STALLINGS/STAFF

Mansion on the mesa

The unfinished home of the late Jacqueline Spencer hits the market for \$4.75 million.

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A grand vision of an heiress philanthropist who died while construction was underway, The Cedars, a 26,000-square-foot home near The Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts, is listed for sale at \$4.75 million.

Drivers on Sierra Blanca Airport Road might not notice the massive one-floor structure until they are perpendicular to an area once planned as a reflection pool, designed to be flanked by imported sculptures illuminated at night. Antiquities from Thailand, including a 14-foot high Buddha, were slated to be displayed in the drive through portico at the front of the sprawling home.

As part of a proposed settlement of the estate of Jacqueline Bancroft Spencer Morgan, the unfinished two bedroom home with separate guest cabanas and butler quarters probably will be sold.

Jam s Paxton with Century 21 Aspen Real Estate Office is handling the property. Attorney Mike Line, who represents the estate and is working on the details of the negotiated but as yet not-court-approved settlement, said at least two groups have toured the structure, which sits on 139 acres of prime land with views of the Capitan and Sacramento Mountains. Possible future uses might be as a clubhouse for a gated community or for a golfing subdivision.

Even with boarded up windows, the home with its 50-foot long kitchen fascinates visitors. Ceilings tower 20 feet or more overhead. The breakfast nook and bathrooms cover more footage than most bedrooms, each with a fireplace. A central

double-sided fireplace, in which artifacts were to be embedded, divides a great hall, whose walls were designed to display the couple's valuable artwork. Spencer-Morgan purchased two tables, each with seating for at least 20 people, for the cozy formal dining room.

Phenomenal diamond cut limestone trim, quarried in Garden City, Texas, is featured inside and out. The grand entrance and its flanking windows were to be shielded with ornate iron trim from Mexico.

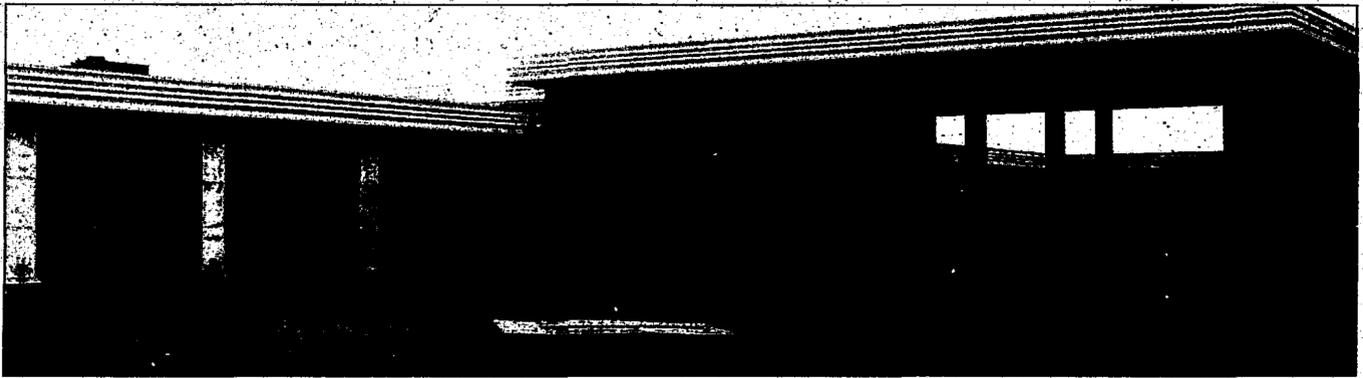
Many of the windows and walls throughout the house are curved, adding interest to the massive structure. A wet bar was designed to face a wall where a football size raw emerald would be a lighted centerpiece.

At 16 inches thick, the walls ensure insulation from the weather. The ceiling, which took one year to semi-complete, consists of a layer of concrete, some ceiling material and a second concrete layer. The \$6.5 million project to date was stopped when Spencer-Morgan's widower filed litigation over the estate, but insulation and electrical work was finished.

Both bedrooms on either side of the great hall offer closets the size of bedrooms in an average home. More than three dozen high arched doors feature teak wood molding.

From Spencer-Morgan's vanity table, curved windows were planned to give her a view of the Capitan Mountains all the way to Sierra Blanca Peak. One side of her bedroom was to back up to a walk-in cold storage for the kitchen and pantry. At the end of the kitchen, the breakfast "nook," with fire place and curved windows, looks out over a patio that leads to a \$200,000 infinity pool where the water literally would "flow" into the horizon when filled. At the shallow end,

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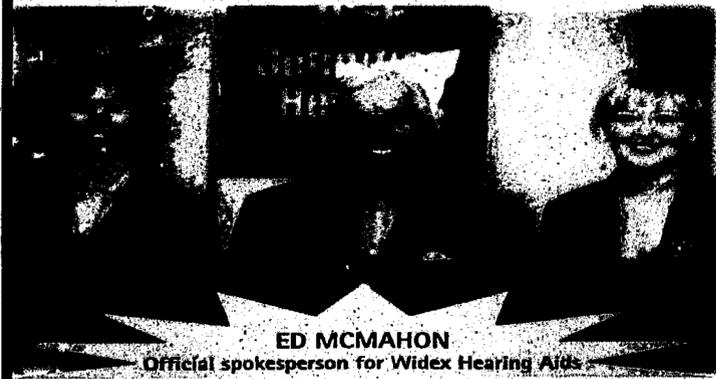


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Speeding Spirit

The search for the fastest horse in the Ruidoso Futurity trials was over early at Ruidoso Downs Friday

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Leading Spirit was a favorite in his trial race for the Ruidoso Futurity during Ruidoso Downs' opening day on Friday, but most people may not have thought he was the favorite to blow past everybody entered into the 17 trials.

Least of all trainer Blane Wood.

"Just because you have a fast horse doesn't mean you will get in every time," Wood said. "If it was all talk, everybody could do it. But you have to perform, and that's why you have the trials."

Leading Spirit did more than perform, he blew away all comers, covering the 350 yards in a blazing 17.17 seconds and pretty much ending the search for the fastest horse after the second trial.

About the only horse to run that distance faster than Leading Spirit at Ruidoso Downs was AB What A Runner. The 2002 All American Futurity champion clocked a World Record time of 17.05 in her return to the track in July of 2003.

That Leading Spirit, ridden by jockey James Gonzales, won his trial by two-lengths didn't surprise too many people. After

all, the gelding had won all three of his previous starts, including the West Texas Futurity in April at Sunland Park, setting a track record in the process.

What should put a chill in most other horsemen running two-year-old quarter horses this year at Ruidoso Downs is that Wood still doesn't think his charge has reached his full potential.

"I don't think he's run a perfect race yet," Wood said. "This was only his fourth race, and the closest he's been to being perfect was in the West Texas."

"The other day, he didn't break that sharp."

Leading Spirit may not have had a good break from the gate, but he still proved to be dominant, something even the skeptical Wood can't ignore.

"I'm very proud of that horse," Wood said. "He's a gold medal athlete, and we'd have been happy to get qualified, whether we were the fastest or 10th fastest."

"This is the best race horse we've ever produced," said Leading Spirit owner Barry Thompson. "As long as we keep him healthy, we're going to go for the triple crown races with him. He's paid up in the Rainbow and All American as



TODD FUQUA/STAFF

Jockey James Gonzales, top, and trainer Blane Wood are all smiles as they prepare to lead Leading Spirit to the winner's circle after the gelding won his trial for the Ruidoso Futurity by two lengths Friday at Ruidoso Downs.

well, so we're ready for a big summer."

Nine other qualifiers

There were other horses racing Friday, and nine of them

will join Leading Spirit in the starting gate when the Ruidoso Futurity final is run June 12.

Separate Tac was the second-fastest horse of the day with a time of 17.31, while

Lady Is First, Boknaai, Shazoom Gone Pi, Mia Jones, Real Good Man, One Special Shade, Eye Of Corona, and Remington Park Futurity winner Crater Lake.



TODD FUQUA/STAFF

Jockey Sam Thompson, foreground, stands up in the stirrups after his mount, Winners Award, won his trial for the Ruidoso Derby Saturday at Ruidoso Downs. Winners Award had the fastest time of the day.

Familiar faces abound in this year's Ruidoso Derby final

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Everyone looked to this year's Ruidoso Derby trials at Ruidoso Downs Saturday as a rematch of last year's All American Futurity.

The second trial of the day — the fourth race overall — featured a showdown between Mighty Invictus and DM Chicago. In last year's AA final, DM Chicago won out with a record time of 21 seconds, easily outdistancing Mighty Invictus.

But Mighty Invictus won the rematch on Saturday, just beating out DM Chicago by a neck with a time of 19.643 in the 400-yard race.

But for all the drama in that trial, the pair was overshadowed by Winners Award, which won the first trial of the day with a time of 19.409. The colt — owned by Jerry Windham and trained by James McArthur — was fast enough to be the quickest qualifier for the June 11 final.

But while neither DM Chicago nor Mighty Invictus were the

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Crowds swarm to town for tourney

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Another Memorial Day weekend, another big weekend for baseball fans as the 6th Annual Memorial Day Tournament featured four days of top-flight baseball in eight brackets on every field available.

Even more exciting for local fans was the fact that five teams were from this area — The Mescalero, Chiefs, Ruidoso Regulators and Lincoln County Razorbacks in the 16U division, the Ruidoso Outlaws in the 13U division and the Auburn Tigers in the 10U division.

Unfortunately for those local fans, none of those teams made it past the first round of play after two pool play games.

While none may have won their first bracket games, there were a couple that made things interesting.

The Tigers had the best shot in 10U, and were leading their first round game by two runs heading into the final inning, but ended up losing by two runs.

In 18U, the Outlaws finished fourth in their pool and faced the West Texas Bombers of Amarillo in the first round of the AAA bracket Saturday afternoon.

The two teams were tied at 1-all in a defensive struggle through the third inning, but the Bombers eventually prevailed with a 9-2 victory.

In the 16U bracket, the Ruidoso Regulators — basically the Ruidoso High School team of this past spring — took on the Broncos of Odessa and were already down 7-1 thanks to some big sticks. Two home runs in the first inning led the way to a big Bronco victory and the



TODD FUQUA/STAFF

Tiger outfielder Trevor Fowler throws the ball back to the infield during his team's pool play game against the Texas Thunder Saturday at Gavilan Canyon Field.

eventual division championship.

Mescalero found the going very rough with two losses in pool play and a 16-0 loss to the Midland Basin Bandits in the first round, while the Razorbacks fell to the Las

Cruces Outlaws in their first-round game.

While the local teams may not have fared well, the local economy fared spectacularly. Tournament director Rodney

side line

Sports on Tap

Wednesday, June 1
Golf: Pro scratch tournament at the Inn of the Mountain Gods, 7 a.m.

Thursday, June 2
Horse Racing: Ruidoso Thoroughbred Sale Futurity trials at Ruidoso Downs, 1 p.m.

Friday, June 3
Horse Racing: Ruidoso Quarter Horse Sale Futurity, Bayer Legend Derby trials at Ruidoso Downs, 1 p.m.
Football: Six-man all-star game at Horton Stadium, 6 p.m.

Saturday, June 4
Horse Racing: Thoroughbred and quarter horse claiming, maiden and allowance racing at Ruidoso Downs, 1 p.m.
Softball: USSSA Youth Tournament at Eagle Creek, TBA

Sunday, June 5
Horse Racing: Thoroughbred and quarter horse claiming, maiden and allowance racing at Ruidoso Downs, 1 p.m.
Softball: USSSA Youth Tournament at Eagle Creek, TBA

Softball Standings
Ruidoso Parks and Recreation Mens League

Team	W	L	Pct.
Nads	7	0	1.000
Thunder	6	0	1.000
Danger	6	1	.857
Panthers	6	2	.750
Grizzlies	4	2	.667
Oso	5	3	.625
Mescalero Indians	3	3	.500
Guns & Hoses	3	4	.429
Outlaws	2	3	.400
Buzzards	2	6	.250
CSB	1	6	.143
Big O	0	7	.000
Gambler	0	7	.000

Thursday, May 26
Warriors 9, Hoses 26; Mescalero

Panthers 21, Gambler 11

Oso 28, Gambler 20

Thunder 43, CSB 2

Nads 29, Grizzlies 8

Buzzards 26, Big O 15

Tuesday, May 31
Danger vs. Nads, late

Grizzlies vs. Guns & Hoses, late

Big O vs. Guns & Hoses, late

Grizzlies vs. Mescalero Indians, late

Thunder vs. Buzzards, late

Thursday, June 2
CSB vs. Oso, 6:30 p.m.

Mescalero Warriors vs. Gambler, 6:30 p.m.

Outlaws vs. Gambler, 7:30 p.m.

Panthers vs. Buzzards, 7:30 p.m.

Danger vs. Outlaws, 8:30 p.m.

On Deck

Youth Cheerleading

Youth ages 5-12 are welcome to come sign up for cheerleading at Kids' Connection Saturday, from 10 a.m.-noon and Tuesday, from 5:30-7 p.m. Cost will be determined by uniforms, and parent volunteers are welcome. For more information, call Paula Kenyon at 257-4297 or 337-3137.

Fishing Day

Family and friends ages 12 and under are invited to Grinstead Lake Saturday from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. for the 12th annual fishing day, sponsored by the USDA Forest Service, the Fish and Wildlife Service, the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish, the Ruidoso River Association and the Village of Ruidoso Parks and Recreation department. Games, prizes and canoe rides complement the full day of fishing in-store for area youth, along with a special appearance by Smokey Bear.

Wilderness Camp

Youth ages 7-12 are invited for this year's Wilderness Camp June 6-July 29 at White Mountain Gym. Each session lasts from 7:30 a.m.-3 p.m., and cost is \$125 per week or \$30 per day. The camp will also be going on four adventures over the summer to Bottomless Lakes, Alamogordo, Albuquerque Zoo and Dinosaur Museum and Wet-N-Wild. Participants will also experience outdoor games, fishing, canoeing, horseback riding, swimming, nature hikes, arts and crafts and much more. For more information, call the Ruidoso Parks and Recreation department at 257-5030.

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LCRC kicks off its 2005 season with event at Lincoln County Fairgrounds

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On May 21 the Lincoln County Rodeo Club, a youth rodeo group from Lincoln, Otero and Chavez counties, began this season's competition at the Lincoln County Rodeo Grounds.

Youth events are divided into boys and girls, with four different age groups plus a "lead class" section for children under the age of five that cannot handle a horse on their own. The little britches class is for those under five who are able to ride unassisted by an adult.

This year's LCRC board of directors is president Brian Parker, vice president Buddy Virden, secretary Becky King, treasurer Casey Griffin and board members Wendy Boss, Jerry Coburn, Michelle Stearns, Sharon Young, Richard Hall and Lester Beaty.

Results for the May 21 LCRC Rodeo

**Little Britches
Barrels**

Boys: 1. Rider King, 2. Price Bowen, 3. Ernie Martinez

Girls: 1. Daniella Martinez

Flags

Boys: 1. Levi Beaty, 2. Ryder King, 3. Ernie Martinez

Girls: 1. Dakota Hazen, Shailyn Beaty, 3. Daniella Martinez

Poles

Boys: 1. Levi Beaty, 2. Ryder King, 3. Price Bowen

Girls: 1. Dakota Hazen, 2. Shailyn Beaty

Goats

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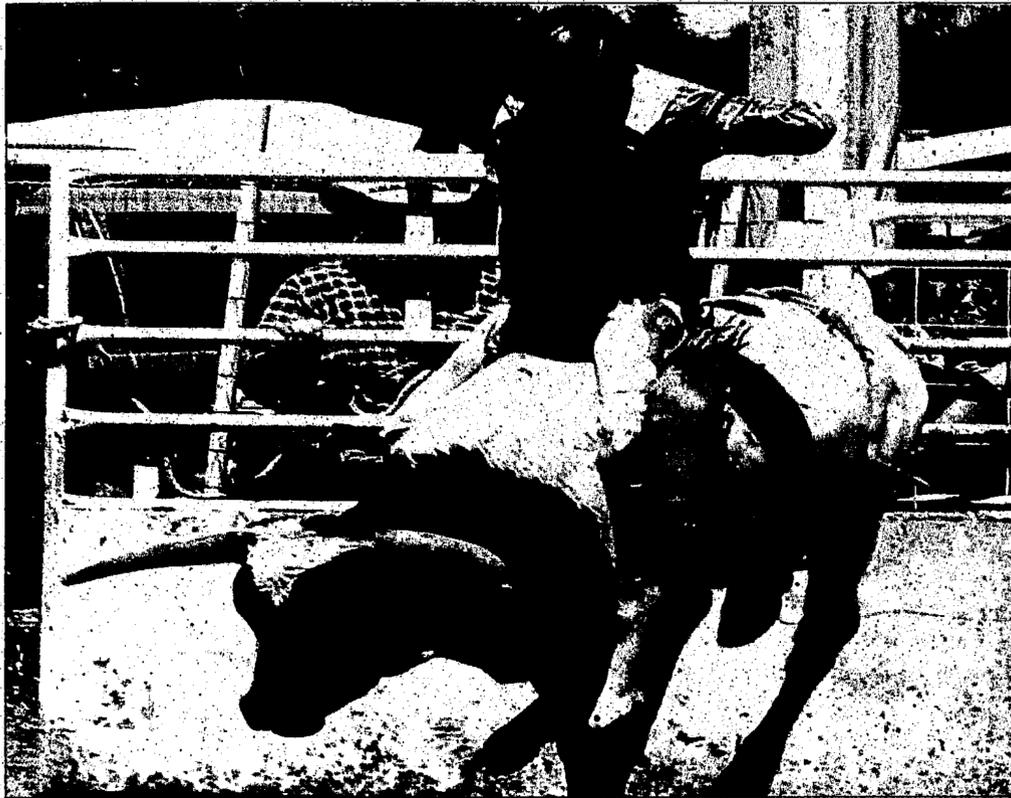
Barrels

Boys: 1. Ross Griffin, 2. Tanner Pelfry, 3. Dillon Trapp

Girls: 1. Kayln Hazen, 2. Kaitlyn Silva, 3. Bryanna Parker

Flags

Boys: 1. Ross Griffin, 2. Tanner Pelfry, 3.



Dylan Johnson of Corona starts his rodeo season with a win in the 9-12 boys age group in the steer riding May 21 during the first LCRC rodeo of the year at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds in Capitan.

Chandler Coons
Girls: 1. Kayln Hazen, 2. Kaitlyn Silva, 3. Bryanna Parker

Poles

Boys: 1. Ross Griffin, 2. Chandler Coons, 3. Justin Boss

Girls: 1. Kayln Hazen, 3. Bryanna Parker, 3. Tara Lamay

Goats

Boys: 1. Ross Griffin, 2. Chandler Coons, 3. Dillon Trapp

Girls: 1. Kayln Hazen, 2. Bryanna Parker, 3. Kaitlyn Silva

**Age 9-12
Break Away**

Boys: 1. Matt Silva, 2. Connor Hall

Steer Stopping: 1. Gabriel Martinez, 2. Zack Virden, 3. Corey Esquero

Stepdown roping: 1. Matt Silva, 2. Gabriel Martinez, 3. Zack Virden

Double Mugging: 1. Matt Silva, 2. Gabriel Martinez

Steer Riding: 1. Dylan Johnson

Barrels

Boys: 1. Connor Hall, 2. Gabriel Martinez, 2. Elliott Pelfrey

Girls: 1. Carly Reynolds, 2. Taylor Thomas, 3. Taylor Coburn

Flags

Boys: 1. Gabriel Martinez, 2. Elliott Pelfrey, 3. Tracker Bowen

Girls: 1. Taylor Coburn, 2. Taylor Thomas,

3. Carly Reynolds

Poles

Boys: 1. Gabriel Martinez, 2. Connor Hall, 3. Elliott Pelfry

Girls: 1. Carly Reynolds, 2. Mikka Landers, 3. Tristine Chico

Goats

Boys: 1. Tracker Bowen, 2. Corey Esquero, 3. Connor Hall

Girls: 1. Morgan Gardner, 2. Tristine Chico, 3. Carly Reynolds

**Age 13-16
Ribbon Roping**

Boys: 1. Paul Sanchez, 2. Dan Virden, 3. Travis Lee Virden

Girls: 1. Kayla King, 2. Ashley Pruett



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Dan Virden throws his loop in the tie down roping, which was good enough for second place May 21 at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds in Capitan.

Tie Down Roping: 1. Tyrel Virden, 2. Dan Virden

Heading: 1. Travis Lee Virden, 2. Dan Virden

Barrels

Boys: 1. James Sanchez, 2. Travis Lee Virden, 3. Isaac Sanchez

Girls: 1. Britany Perteet, 2. Ashley Dubose, 3. Jaimi Ryan

Flags

Boys: 1. Travis Lee Virden, 2. Paul Sanchez, 3. Dan Virden

Girls: 1. Kayla King, 2. Ashley Pruett, 3. Jami Ryan

Poles

Boys: 1. James Sanchez, 2. Issac Sanchez, 3. Travis Lee Virden

Girls: 1. Britany Perteet, 2. Ashely Dubose, 3. Callie Evans

Goats

Boys: 1. Travis Lee Virden, 2. James Sanchez, 3. Paul Sanchez

Girls: 1. Kayla King, 2. Ashley Dubose, 3. Ashley Pruett

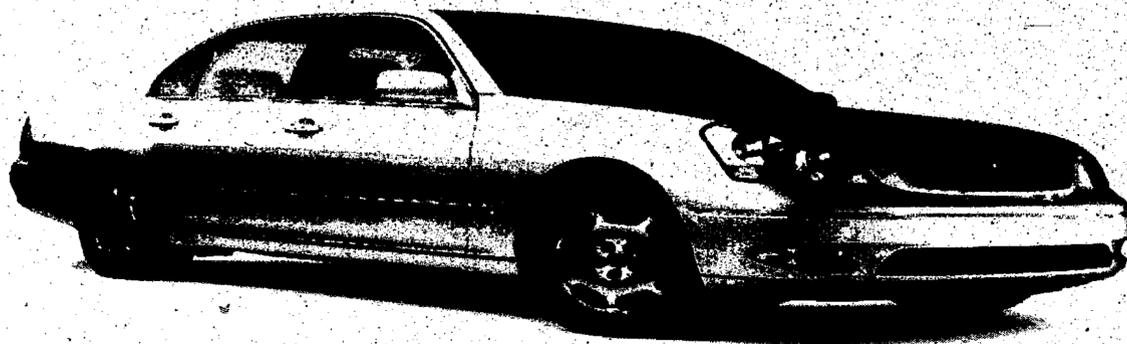
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Boknaai gives his trainer the last laugh

TIM KIETHLEY
For the Ruidoso News

Trainer John Boegner tried his best to get a partnership together, to help him purchase Boknaai for his barn, a two-year-old quarter horse who appeared inside the auction ring at the Heritage Place Quarter Horse Sale in Oklahoma City last September.

"I kept calling around to a bunch of owners that I know, trying to get someone to go in with me on this quarter horse," he recalled. "I couldn't get anyone to do it. I tried for a week or two."

No dice. And so John decided to buy Boknaai out of the sale anyway, all by himself. The price was right.

"I bought him for \$13,000," he said.

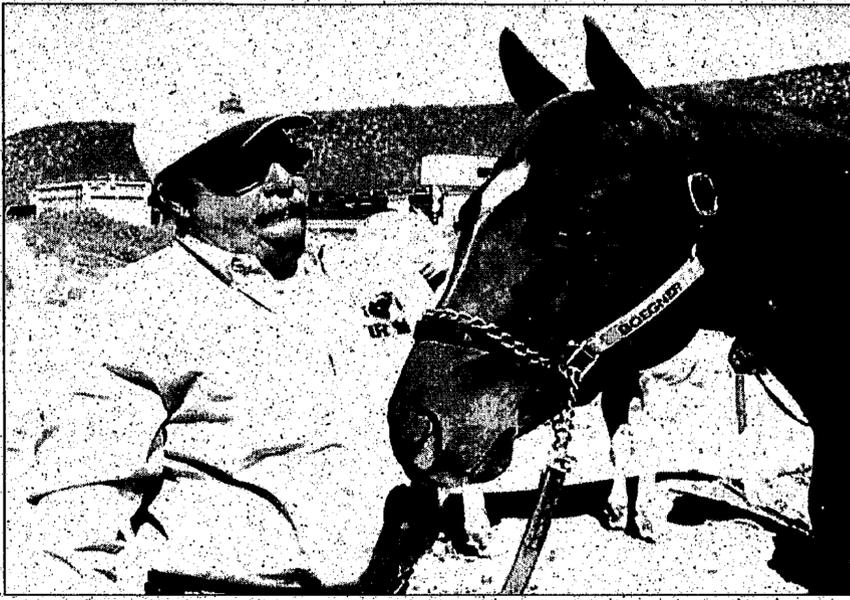
Boegner could end up with the last laugh by winning up to \$250,000 in the Ruidoso Futurity Final, depending on how Boknaai performs at Ruidoso Downs Race Track on Sunday, June 12. The quarter horse qualified during trials for the Futurity on Friday, finishing only a neck behind the favored Crater Lake in the eighth race with a time of 17.465 seconds.

The problem that the potential owners had with Boknaai during the auction last fall was an obvious quarter-crack in the horse's right front hoof.

"But I knew we could fix it," Boegner said, explaining how his son, John Jr., was able to repair the crack in the hoof by using a special steel shoe to keep the hoof in place. Boegner said the crack has completely healed.

"Boknaai is an African-Swahili name for warrior," Boegner said. "The name fits this race horse just right. He's gentle in the barn, but he stands 16 hands, and he's all muscle and strength. We think he's got a real nice future ahead of him."

Boegner said he was sold on the horse at the Heritage sale after studying his blood-



GAY HARRIS/FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Trainer John Boegner takes Boknaai out for some sun at Ruidoso Downs. Boknaai made Boegner look like a pretty savvy horseman when the colt — a \$13,000 purchase — qualified Friday for the Ruidoso Futurity.

lines. He remembered one of Boknaai's grandmothers, Little Bit Rusty, that raced in the 1990s. Boknaai is sired by the famous stud horse Mr. Jess Perry, and the colt's mother, Lil Bit Dash, was sired by Dash For Cash.

Boknaai made the final of the Manor Downs Futurity in Austin, Texas, on April 24, finishing in fifth place before heading to the mountain for last Friday's trials. He has already earned about \$20,000 on the track in

four lifetime starts — more than the price Boegner paid for him.

"It was just one of those deals where everyone kept looking at the horse's downside because of his foot problem, but I was looking at the upside of his breeding," Boegner said.

"Heck, every horse I've got has had some sort of problem in their past, so I think that he fits right in with all of us," he said referring to himself and the other horses in his barn. "I think he's going to run big in the final."

USSSA: Local teams may not have won, but local economy did

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Lathram figured an influx of 5,700 people came into town for the games.

"We had record numbers for attendance," Lathram said. "We had everyone fill out information to say how many people the teams brought with them and where they were staying, so we are pretty sure those numbers are correct."

Lathram also had a lot of praise for the Ruidoso Parks and Recreation Department, which was taxed to keep the fields in good condition as the tournament was beset on all sides by rain.

"Hopefully, the city will be able to hire a few more workers, because we kept them running pretty good," Lathram said. "We lost an hour here and there with the rain, but the city did a good job with the quick dry and kept us going."



TODD FUQUA/STAFF

Ruidoso Outlaw pitcher Robert Owings fires one to the plate during his team's USSSA Memorial Day Tournament game against the Pecos (Texas) Panthers Sunday at Eagle Creek Complex.

RUIDOSO DOWNS RESULTS

Results for racing at Ruidoso Downs for May 27-30:

Friday, May 27

First — 350 yards. Keep the Strawtlying 9.80 4.40 4.00, Stalaway King 3.20 2.80, Southern Icon 7.20, Quinella — 18.00, Exacta — 27.20, Trifecta — 270.50, T — 17.631.

Second — 350 yards. Leading Spirit 2.40 2.40 2.20, Shazoom Gone Pi 3.80 3.20, Belvedere N Soda 4.00, Quinella — 8.20, Exacta — 9.60, Trifecta — 20.20, Daily Double — 16.40, T — 17.170.

Third — 350 yards. Jeskarita 27.80 9.80 9.00, Icu Shazoom 5.20 4.20, Secret Royal Lady 8.80, Quinella — 154.40, Exacta — 102.80, Trifecta — 885.20, T — 17.645.

Fourth — 350 yards. Texas Sixes 12.20 5.80 2.60, Eye Catcher 12.30 8.40 3.60, Firestorm Perry 2.40, Quinella — 59.00, Exacta — 132.80, Trifecta — 42.70, T — 17.616.

Fifth — 350 yards. Crazy About Corona 4.40 3.20 2.80, Kwik Kokopelli 5.40 4.20, Tears Of The Sun 5.20, Quinella — 9.60, Exacta — 18.20, Trifecta — 132.30, T — 17.601.

Sixth — 350 yards. Miraculously 23.20 8.60 3.80, Mr. Texas Tango 4.60 3.00, Cartel Callente 2.40, Quinella — 48.80, Exacta — 86.60, Trifecta — 188.20, Tri-Super 1,476.80, T — 17.721.

Seventh — 350 yards. Shesnowlady 3.20 2.80 2.60, Raging Tex 6.80 4.00, Cherry Creek Injun 5.40, Quinella — 11.20, Exacta — 20.40, Trifecta — 303.80, T — 17.706.

Eighth — 350 yards. Crater Lake 2.60 2.60 2.20, Boknaai 4.80 3.00, Eye Of Corona 3.40, Quinella — 10.20, Exacta — 12.60, Trifecta — 63.40, T — 17.436.

Ninth — 350 yards. Mia Jones 3.20 2.60 2.60, Fantasio This 3.20 3.00, Rockin La Jolla 5.80, Quinella — 7.60, Exacta — 12.40, Trifecta — 181.80, Pick 3 — 13.40, T — 17.524, Scratched — Sortitout, Dashingtrhu Thestraw.

Tenth — 350 yards. Ladys Is First 2.60 2.20 2.20, One Special Shade 3.80 2.80, Eye On The Jury 3.40, Quinella — 14.20, Exacta — 16.20, Trifecta — 76.10, T — 17.403.

11th — 350 yards. Coco Corona 3.60 2.80 2.40, Jax Ross 3.20 2.40, Next Big Thing 3.00, Quinella — 9.80, Exacta — 14.60, Trifecta — 47.80, T — 17.634.

12th — 350 yards. Im A Corona 9.80 5.00

3.20, Git Er Done 2.80 2.20, Rockin Shazzam 2.40, Quinella — 6.00, Exacta — 19.80, Trifecta — 40.00, T — 17.722.

13th — 350 yards. Dashin DW 7.00 5.00 6.20, A Royal Feist 4.80 4.20, HRB Desusion 6.00, Quinella — 15.20, Exacta — 35.40, Trifecta — 117.10, Pick 3 — 273.60, T — 17.740.

14th — 350 yards. Honor The Perry 7.00 2.80 2.80, A Smoke Chick 3.60 3.20, Streak Of A Star 5.40, Quinella — 13.60, Exacta — 24.20, Trifecta — 101.60, T — 17.622.

15th — 350 yards. Kelowna Kash 7.80 11.60 11.00, Jess Passem 11.00 7.00, Fanatical Radical 6.40, Quinella — 99.20, Exacta — 133.20, Trifecta — 304.90, T — 17.655.

16th — 350 yards. Separate Tac 3.00 3.00 2.60, Real Good Man 10.80 6.60, Red Gucci Shoes 9.00, Quinella — 46.60, Exacta — 87.40, Trifecta — 361.10, T — 17.319.

17th — 350 yards. Jess Maganette 7.00 3.20 2.40, Cartel Boss 3.20 2.60, Guys Like It 3.40, Quinella — 16.80, Exacta — 32.20, Trifecta — 69.20, Pick 3 — 86.00, Superfecta — 356.40.

Saturday, May 28

First — 5 1/2 furlongs. Ka Bre 12.40 6.00 4.00, Ladymour 4.40 4.00, Hot Lookn Doll 9.80, Quinella — 21.00, Exacta — 34.80, Trifecta — 307.20, T — 106.80.

Second — 5 1/2 furlongs. I'm N Clover 5.00 3.40 2.60, Inexcessivelyroyal 7.60 5.60, Old Lovers 3.40, Quinella — 47.20, Exacta — 78.00, Trifecta — 93.50, Daily Double — 32.80.

Third — 400 yards. Winners Award 25.80 9.00 4.00, Desirio 3.60 3.00, Eye Yin You 2.60, Quinella — 40.60, Exacta — 110.60, Trifecta — 109.10, T — 19.409.

Fourth — 400 yards. Mighty Invictus 7.40 3.00 2.40, DM Shicago 3.00 2.40, Shaded In Speed 2.80, Quinella — 5.60, Exacta — 13.60, Trifecta — 5.90, T — 19.643.

Fifth — 400 yards. Thewayouwantmetoo 3.20 2.80 2.20, Looking For Dust 3.40 2.60, Dashin Scorpion King 2.80, Quinella — 6.00, Exacta — 8.60, Trifecta — 17.50, T — 19.703.

Sixth — 400 yards. Look Forward 11.60 4.20 3.20, A Stone Runaway 3.40 3.20, Arriba Reba 5.60, Quinella — 12.20, Exacta — 29.00, Trifecta — 135.30, T — 19.732.

Seventh — 400 yards. Skyline Chick 19.20

7.40 4.20, Bearing Chico 5.60 4.00, Going Separate Ways 3.80, Quinella — 38.20, Exacta — 138.00, Trifecta — 175.80, T — 19.626.

Eighth — 5 1/2 furlongs. Jakeberun 28.60 10.60 6.20, Lobo Joe 5.20 3.80, Alameda Duke 6.20, Quinella — 60.60, Exacta — 226.00, Trifecta — 694.10, T — 105.00.

Ninth — 5 1/2 furlongs. Red Threat 5.80 5.20 4.00, Jared's Roadshow 7.80 5.60, Radar Trap 5.00, Quinella — 53.80, Exacta — 54.60, Trifecta — 178.10, T — 105.20.

Tenth — 5 1/2 furlongs. Canaveral Affair 13.00 2.80 3.20, Major Prospector 2.20 3.00, Ahumado 5.20, Quinella — 10.00, Exacta — 25.60, Trifecta — 100.90, Pick 3 — 610.40, Superfecta — 772.30, T — 106.20.

Sunday, May 29

First — 5 1/2 furlongs. Chili Dan 7.40 4.00 3.40, Mandas's Wheel 5.40 3.80, Zippersnippers 6.00, Quinella — 14.00, Exacta — 25.00, Trifecta — 172.00, T — 105.60.

Second — 870 yards. Sitters Valentine 7.40 8.80 2.40, Super Art 6.20 3.40, Red Moment 2.60, Quinella — 16.00, Exacta — 19.40, Trifecta — 23.30, Daily Double — 24.20, T — 46.718.

Third — 250 yards. Diamonds N Rainbows 30.40 14.40 7.60, AJs Major Lady 13.40 7.00, Filrtacious Woman 8.20, Quinella — 198.20, Exacta — 1,051.40, Trifecta — 2,207.70, T — 13.249.

Fourth — 350 yards. Winnie Ta Poo 4.60 3.20 2.80, Desirous Eyes 6.40 3.60, Miracles Baby Kake 4.40, Quinella — 20.80, Exacta — 30.60, Trifecta — 26.90, T — 17.598, Scratched — JJs Ratify.

Fifth — 7 1/2 furlongs. So Still 5.40 2.80 2.60, Champagne Star 3.00 2.60, Superior Deputy 3.00, Quinella — 8.80, Exacta — 14.40, Trifecta — 31.80, T — 134.80.

Sixth — 7 1/2 furlongs. Tapicero 5.80 3.40 2.80, Captianmorganbay 4.20 3.60, Balne Brook 5.20, Quinella — 17.00, Exacta — 28.40, Trifecta — 256.40, T — 136.00.

Seventh — 5 1/2 furlongs. Free Rules 22.60 13.40 6.60, Classy So n So 18.00 9.80, Durable Mac 7.00, Quinella — 188.00, Exacta — 797.40, Trifecta — 3,494.20, T — 105.40.

Eighth — 6 furlongs. Ring Of The Run 3.00 2.20 3.40, Bull Dancer 3.60 4.20, Cherkokee Tyger 7.60, Quinella — 7.00, Exacta — 7.80, Trifecta — 85.10, T — 111.20.

Ninth — 400 yards. Vital Jewel 17.40 7.60 5.80, Adjusted Credit 8.80 4.60, Snow Burst 4.00, Quinella — 91.40, Exacta — 114.80, Trifecta — 350.00, T — 19.888.

Tenth — 6 furlongs. Slew of Enerchi 14.00 4.60 2.40, C.G's Dollar 3.60 2.40, Trickey Todd 2.20, Quinella — 14.20, Exacta — 44.60, Trifecta — 29.90, T — 110.80.

11th — 5 1/2 furlongs. Marvelous Marva 13.20 5.80 4.20, Diddy Say Fast 23.80 8.40, Gin For Lynn 5.40, Quinella — 76.20, Exacta — 307.40, Trifecta — 938.30, Pick 3 — 318.80, Superfecta — 2,878.40.

Monday, May 30

First — 5 1/2 furlongs. Iantawertoo 115.60 5.80 3.20, Star Of The Draw 5.00 2.80, Flying Moment 3.00, Quinella — 35.00, Exacta — 55.60, Trifecta — 101.60, T — 104.40.

Second — 5 1/2 furlongs. Desert House 5.60 2.40 2.40, Was I Dreaming 2.60 2.60, Moon Main 3.80, Quinella — 5.40, Exacta — 12.20, Trifecta — 29.40, Daily Double — 41.00, T — 104.60.

Third — 350 yards. Dontouchthethrotle 8.40 4.80 3.40, Midnight Corona 3.80 3.00, Sleepy Gent 4.20, Quinella — 13.20, Exacta — 24.60, Trifecta — 63.90, T — 17.916.

Fourth — 250 yards. No Mex Dasher 9.60 3.80 3.40, Silverstreak Run 3.80 3.00, Dooley Forever 5.00, Quinella — 13.40, Exacta — 24.00, Trifecta — 103.10, T — 13.585, Scratched — Joe Bad Jr.

Fifth — 7 1/2 furlongs. Cee's The Moment 13.20 7.60 5.20, Dotted Swiss 15.60 8.20, La Zorra 8.60, Quinella — 90.20, Exacta — 359.60, Trifecta — 418.20, T — 133.80.

Sixth — 350 yards. Zias Real Gold 25.20 7.80 6.40, Mr Peddle Pusher 4.60 4.00, The Tracker 3.80, Quinella — 84.80, Exacta — 139.60, Trifecta — 241.30, T — 18.005, Scratched — Mundos Fame.

Seventh — 350 yards. La Jollalrod 4.40 3.40 3.20, Super Sixarun 4.20 3.60, Can Straw Fly 3.80, Quinella — 10.20, Exacta — 12.20, Trifecta — 25.20, T — 17.705.

Eighth — 870 yards. Behold Time Rey 24.60 11.40 5.40, TME-Eyezassaint 8.80 4.40, King Rick Rack 3.20, Quinella — 142.80, Exacta — 415.00, Trifecta — 580.30, T — 45.555.

Ninth — 6 furlongs. Republicat 10.80 5.60 3.80, I'm A Cool Bull 19.20 6.40, My World 7.20, Quinella — 313.60, Exacta — 233.20, Trifecta — 6,187.50, Pick 3 — 996.60, Superfecta — 14,631.40.

DERBY: Quartet of trainers come up big

FROM PAGE 1B

Two other trainers with two fastest, they were still fast enough to earn spots in the final as well.

They also represented a pair of very successful trainers. Carl Draper — trainer of DM Shicago, also saw Desirio make it in with a time of 19.803,

while Mighty Invictus trainer Jack Brooks also qualified Eye Yin You.

Two other trainers with two entries are Paul Jones, who will lead Look Forward and Skyline Chick to the finals, and Dwayne Gilbreath, who earned a pair of spots with Thewayouwantmetoo and A Stone Runaway.

The Final spot went to Beaming Chico, trained by Jimmy Claridge and owned by C.E. Davidson.

OUT OF THE SHADOWS



TODD FUQUA/STAFF

Bill Harvey, a golf professional from the Arroyo Del Oso course in Albuquerque, chips onto the green at hole No. 1 at the Inn of the Mountain Gods during the course's annual Pro-Scratch Tournament Tuesday.

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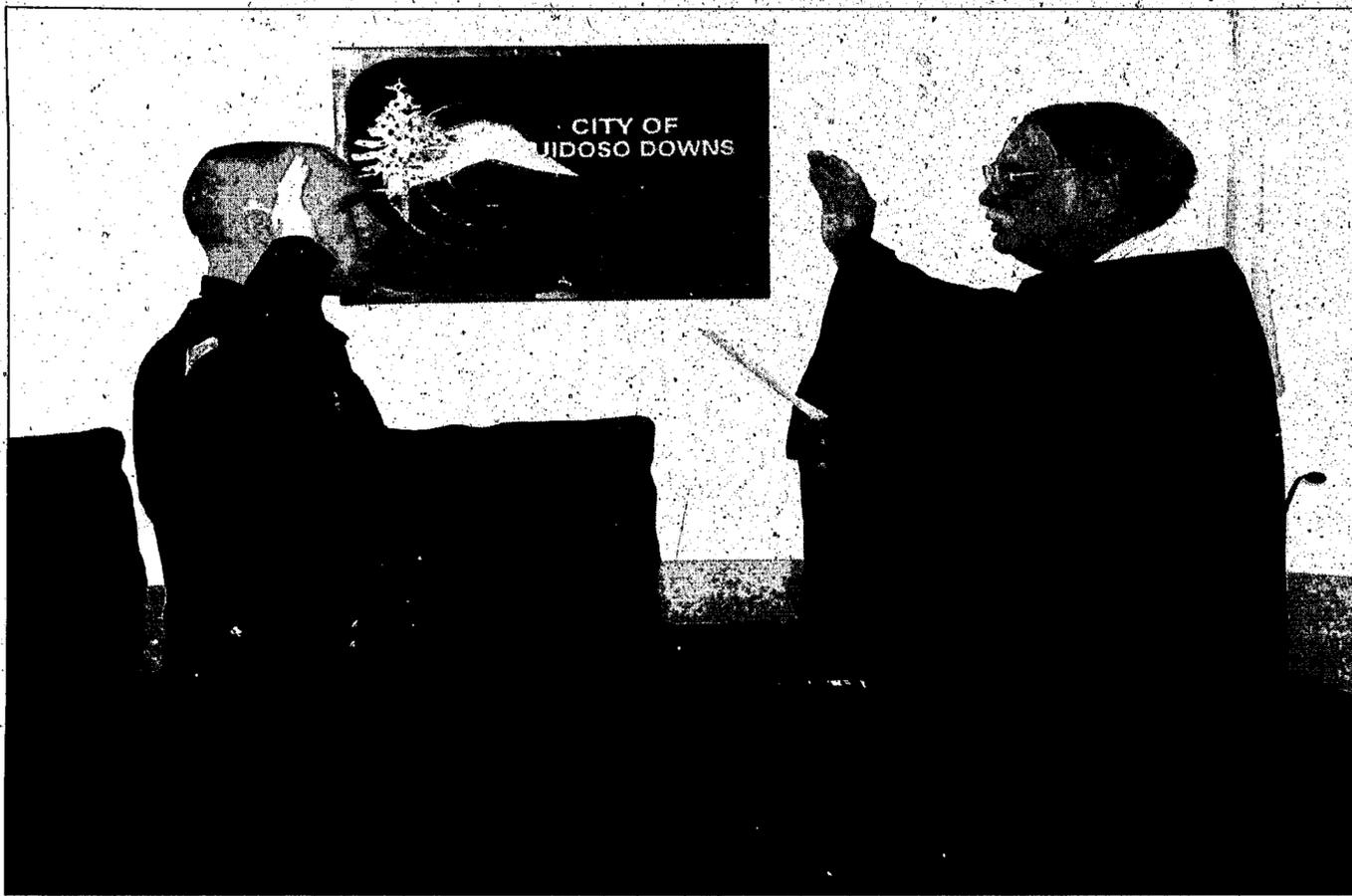
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Brady Chambers was sworn in as a new member of the Ruidoso Downs police force last week.

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Downs powers up police department

Ruidoso Downs has beefed up its police force with one promotion and three new hires last week. Brady Chambers, who recently graduated from the police academy in Santa Fe, started out in dispatch and was transferred to patrol.

In addition, the department has hired Bob Regan, who

retired with more than 20 years experience as a police officer with the New Brunswick police department in New Jersey. Most recently, he was employed by the Sand Pointe Police Department in Alaska.

Another retiree, Rich Schwalm, comes from the Boulder County Sheriff's Office.

He was a sergeant in charge of investigations and was a member of the SWAT team. He has been hired as an investigator for the Downs department, and he also has a master's degree in counseling.

The third new hire is Wes King who is currently in the Silver City Academy and is due

to graduate June 30. He worked for the Deming Police Department but left to pursue a career in Iraq. Upon his return to the United States he decided to put himself through the police academy.

He is also a licensed flight instructor in both fixed-wing and rotor aircraft.

Motorcycle accident in Arabela

A 41-year-old man was airlifted to an El Paso hospital Monday after suffering head injuries when he was thrown from the motorcycle he was driving on Arabela Highway.

According to a report by New Mexico State Police Officer Paul Flores, Stephen White, 41, who had a New Mexico identification card but a Texas driver's license, was northbound on State Road 368

about 12:45 p.m. at too high a speed to navigate a curve. The cycle left the roadway. White was ejected and incurred a collapsed lung as well as head injuries.

A woman passenger, who was seven months pregnant, was treated for bumps and bruises and released, Flores wrote. The officer indicated White would be charged with driving while intoxicated.

POLICE BRIEFS: RUIDOSO DOWNS

Loss prevention

Ruidoso Downs police responded to five shoplifting reports earlier in May at the Ruidoso Downs Wal-Mart. On May 5, police arrested Ronald Buckner, 52, for leaving the store with a pair of eyeglasses, valued at \$16.73, without paying for them. On May 6, police issued a non-traffic citation to Maria Aragon, 19, for failing to pay for a pair of infant tights, valued at \$3.44. On May 10, police issued a non-traffic citation to Kenneth Kauley, 33, for allegedly taking a bottle of Jack Daniels Whiskey, valued at \$13.

On May 14, police arrested Lilly Hunter, 57, for shoplifting after customers reported to management that she was in the ladies' restroom drinking from a bottle of Jack Daniels. She was also charged with disorderly conduct for her actions while being escorted through the store. After arrival at the police department, Hunter was also charged with criminal trespassing due to the fact that she had been convicted of shoplifting from Wal-Mart Stores in the past.

On May 16, police took a 17-year-old juvenile female into custody after Wal-Mart Loss Prevention observed her take a necklace, valued at \$5.97, from

the jewelry department and leave the store without paying.

Warrant

On May 16, Martin Amaya was taken into custody on an arrest clause associated with a revoked or suspended driver's license. Officers stopped Amaya, 39, for a traffic violation and were alerted to the arrest warrant after running an identification check.

Forced entry

On May 16, an elderly Ruidoso Downs resident reported that her home was broken into. Officers did find a broken window, but no items were missing from the home.

DWI

Police arrested Krystal Vance May 14 for driving while intoxicated. Vance, 24, failed to perform standard field sobriety tests and was taken into custody.

License plate stolen

A Ruidoso Downs resident reported on May 6 that her license plate had been stolen off of her vehicle while it was parked at Mac's Auto Sales in Ruidoso Downs.

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Bubonic plague reported in dogs and cats in Northern New Mexico

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The first cases of plague in New Mexico were confirmed last week by staff of the Scientific Laboratory Division of the State Department of Health.

Cases were diagnosed in one dog from Los Alamos County and two cats and a dog from three different locations in Santa Fe County.

State health department staff is conducting environmental investigations at each animal's residence to determine if there is any ongoing risk to people.

"Because of extra precipitation and more vegetation this year, we are seeing bigger rodent populations, which could cause an increase in plague cases," said Dr. Paul Ettestad, the state public health veterinarian. "Plague activity is usually higher in the late spring and summer months so people need to take precautions to avoid being exposed to plague. Colorado is also seeing increased plague activity and has had two human plague cases in the last few weeks."

Plague, a bacterial disease of rodents, is generally transmitted to humans through the bites of infected

fleas, but can also be transmitted by direct contact with infected animals, including rodents, wildlife, and pets.

Most people become ill two to seven days after being infected with the plague bacteria. Symptoms of bubonic plague in humans include fever, painful swollen lymph nodes in the groin, armpit or neck areas, chills, and sometimes headache, vomiting, and diarrhea.

Symptoms in cats are similar. Fever, lethargy, not eating, and swollen lymph nodes (usually in the neck area) are the most common signs. With prompt diagnosis and appropriate antibiotic treatment, the fatality

rate in people and pets can be greatly reduced.

To prevent cases of plague, state health staff recommends:

- Avoid sick or dead rodents.
- Teach children not to play near rodent nests or burrows.
- Treat pets regularly with an effective flea control product.
- Clean up areas near the house where rodents could live.
- Keep pets from roaming and hunting.
- Sick pets should be examined promptly by a veterinarian.

No cases of plague were reported in 2004 in New Mexico. There was one

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State Public Health Veterinarian

human plague case in 2003 in an adult from Torrance County and two human plague cases in 2002, both in adults from Santa Fe County. The last plague fatality in New Mexico was a child from Rio Arriba County in 1994.

SADDLE UP FOR SCHOOL



COURTESY PHOTO

Carrying on a tradition that dates back three generations, these students rode their horses to school in Hondo on the last day of school, May 25. Pictured (l-r) are Patrick Gonzales, Lawrence Gonzales, and Conrad Gonzales. Not pictured: Angelie Garcia, Raymond Montano, Angela Prudencio and Maegan Palmley.

Sportsmen join fight to save Otero Mesa

Federal government must listen to local interests, lawsuit contends

ALBUQUERQUE — Sportsmen and conservation groups, represented by Earthjustice, filed a lawsuit May 26 in federal district court in Albuquerque seeking to save New Mexico's Otero Mesa from the onslaught of oil and gas development. The conservation groups' lawsuit supports a similar legal challenge to the oil and gas development plans filed in April by the State of New Mexico.

The suit claims the federal government failed to disclose the true effects of the oil and gas development on water resources, wildlife and archaeological sites, in violation of the National Environmental Policy Act. The suit also contends that the development plan fails to protect wildlife and plants in the most environmentally sensitive areas.

On April 22, New Mexico Attorney General Patricia Madrid filed suit on behalf of New Mexico against the federal Bureau of Land Management in federal district court in Santa Fe.

New Mexico governor Bill Richardson has repeatedly asked the federal government to consider state interests and scale back the oil and gas development plans at Otero Mesa.

The New Mexico lawsuit says that BLM violated federal laws by refusing to consider

state interests when it adopted its oil and gas development scheme.

The federal Bureau of Land Management is authorizing the opening of more than 90 percent of public lands under its jurisdiction in the area between El Paso, Texas, and Carlsbad, N.M., to oil and gas drilling. The area contains vast stretches of Chihuahuan desert grasslands, one of the most endangered ecosystems in the world.

"The Bush Administration ignored us and ignored the law in their rush to give away Otero Mesa to energy executives," said Oscar Simpson, president of the New Mexico Wildlife Federation.

"So along with the State of New Mexico, we are going to court and we are going to win. We will not sacrifice our water or wildlife resources in order to line the pockets of a few energy executives."

"Sportsmen don't understand why the Bush administration won't promote energy development that protects our freshwater aquifers and has minimal impact on big game and other wildlife that hunters cherish and depend on."

The New Mexico Wildlife Federation is a sportsmen's conservation organization that was founded in 1914 in Silver City by Aldo Leopold and several other prominent sportsmen-

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Wildlife Federation

conservationists. "The oil and gas development planned for Otero Mesa will likely destroy the underground water supply across southern New Mexico," said Earthjustice attorney Mike Harris. "In this part of the world, water is the very life blood of the local people."

The groups filing the suit include the National Wildlife Federation, New Mexico Wildlife Federation, New Mexico Wilderness Alliance, Southwest Environmental Center, The Wilderness Society, Sierra Club, the Natural Resources Defense Council, and Forest Guardians.

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Adam Kusmak and Danielle Townsend

Kusmak-Townsend Engagement

James and Suse Townsend announce the engagement of their daughter, Danielle Townsend of Tularosa, to Adam Kusmak, son of Michael and Carmen Kusmak, also of Tularosa. The wedding will be at 5 p.m. Saturday, June 18, at Grindstone Stables in Ruidoso, with a reception following at the same location. The couple will reside in Tularosa.

FUNERALS DEATHS

Jerry Wright

Visitation for Jerry Wright, 67, of Ruidoso will be 2 - 4 p.m. Thursday, June 2, at LaGrone Funeral Chapel. Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday, June 3, at First Christian Church with graveside services at 2 p.m. Saturday, June 4, in the Kermit Cemetery at Kermit, Texas. Wright died Monday, May 30, in El Paso.

He was born Dec. 18, 1937, at Ranger, Texas. He moved to Ruidoso on Dec. 16, 1978, from Las Cruces. Wright was a member of the Masonic Lodge in Ruidoso, the Scottish Rite and York Rite, and had spent his life in radio and television broadcasting. In recent years he had worked at LaGrone Funeral Chapel and was also a member of the First Christian Church.

He was preceded in death by a son, Byron Wright.

Surviving family members include his wife, Deanna, of Ruidoso; a son, Philip G. Wright Jr. and his wife Kandy of Alamogordo; a daughter, Missy Schlotfeldt and husband Dave of Richland, Wash.; 11 grandchildren, Ashley Buie, Taylor Wright, Rachel Wright, Holly Wright, Cameron Quigley, Anthony Schlotfeldt, Andy Schlotfeldt, Madi Schlotfeldt, Jamison Wright, Elizabeth Jones, Bryce Jones; two great grandchildren, Naomi Escalante and Asa Escalante; and an aunt, Inez Jones of Waco, Texas.

The family has requested memorials to the Shriners Hospitals for Children (2900 Rocky Point Dr., Tampa, FL 33607-1460).

Arrangements are under the direction of LaGrone Funeral

Chapel of Ruidoso.

Olivia G. Rodriguez

Funeral services for Olivia "Grandma" Rodriguez, 84, of Carlsbad were Tuesday, May 31, at First United Methodist Church with Pastor Michael Dominguez officiating. Rodriguez died May 27, 2005, at her home in Carlsbad, N.M.

She was born Aug. 25, 1920, in Glencoe, N.M., to Rubeson and Doritia Salsberry Gonzalez. She was raised and attended school in San Patricio and later the family moved to Artesia. She married Juan Rodriguez on Sept. 2, 1943, and moved to Carlsbad.

She worked many years as a clerk and cashier including nine years at Rodriguez Bakery, 22 years at Deluxe Café and three years at Storks Landing.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband and three sisters, Adelina Rodriguez, Oralia Hinojos and Helen Chavez.

Surviving family members include three daughters, Lina Rodriguez of Carlsbad, Dorothy Hensley and husband Frank of Carlsbad, and Ora Ybarra and husband Johnny of Tucson, Ariz.; four sons Manuel Rodriguez of Colton, Calif., Johnny Rodriguez and wife Debbie of Carlsbad, Jimmy Rodriguez and wife Joett of Colton, and Johnny Rodriguez and wife Amanda of Kingman, Ariz.;

three brothers, Emilio Gonzalez and wife Rachael of Artesia; Reyner Gonzalez and wife Maria of Artesia; and Ruben Gonzalez and wife Nelie of Carlsbad; four sisters, Fela Gomez and husband Cosme of



Olivia G. Rodriguez

Artesia; Tillie Garcia and husband Temo of Artesia; Viola Reyes of Alamogordo; Rufina Rodriguez of San Bernardino, Calif.; 12 grandchildren, including Jimmy John Rodriguez, Ora Hensley

Cisco Hensley, Diana Baldonado and husband Daniel, Lou Ann Orio and husband John of Carlsbad; 16 great grandchildren and many, many soccer and baseball kids who all knew her as "Grandma," and numerous nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers were her grandchildren and nephews, Jimmy Rodriguez, Ora Hensley, Cisco Hensley, Art Baldonado, Jose Cruz, T.J. Rodriguez, Bianca Sosa, and Josephine Rodriguez. Denton-Funchess Funeral Home of Carlsbad is in charge of the arrangements.

Joseph Edward Kubes

FORT WORTH — Joseph Edward Kubes Sr., 82, died Friday, May 27, 2005, in Fort Worth, Texas, following a short illness.

Memorial Mass of Christian Burial is 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 1, at St. Andrew Catholic Church, the Rev. Warren L. Murphy, T.O.R., celebrant.

The founder of Kubes Jewelers, he is remembered as a beloved husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, brother and humanitarian.

Descended from a strong Czech heritage, Kubes was born March 18, 1923, in New Prague, Minn. He was raised on a farm in Northfield, Minn., during the Great Depression, the third oldest of 11 children. This is where his tremendous work ethic, physical, mental strength and common sense were formed. Joe was a mentor and role model to his many brothers and sisters who respected his generosity, work ethic, dependability and love of family.

He enlisted at the start of

World War II, as did his brothers, He and Ray enlisted in the Marine Corps and Stan in the Air Force. At 18, Kubes showed keen mechanical ability and trained at Navy Pier in Chicago before shipping overseas to the Pacific. One of his greatest thrills was being in the color guard of a parade down Michigan Avenue. Kubes worked on the instrument panels of the fighter planes and did watch repairs for the servicemen, sending all his money home to support his parents, who were struggling on the farm.

While in St. Paul, Minn., on leave at the end of the war, he met Rita, and they eloped two months later. She was only 18 at the time and he was 22, but their "love at first sight" lasted 59 and a half years. With \$35 to



Kubes

his name, and no friends or family within a thousand miles, they took up residence at Fort Worth, Texas.

Kubes had a chance to work at American Airlines, but Rita convinced him they should start Kubes Jewelers watch repair across from Texas Wesleyan College in the Poly area in 1945. Under the GI Bill, he took advanced training to become Fort Worth's first certified gemologist. Sixty years later, as an example of their never-ending drive, determina-

tion, integrity, love and Christian faith they have six children (out of eight) and 10 grandchildren (out of 21) carrying on these guidelines in their family store.

When Joe and Rita retired, he found his "Heaven-on-Earth" in Ruidoso. His goal in life was to love and provide for his wife and children and to imbue in them responsibility toward God and mankind. We will always remember what our husband, father and grandfather would say — "Everything through love."

He was preceded in death by his father, Charles; mother, Rose; brothers, Stan and Ray; and sisters, Millie and Cecilia.

Surviving family members include his ever-loving wife, Rita; six children, Joe Kubes Jr. and his wife Yvonne, Rick Kubes and his wife Mary, Mary Kubes Kindred and her husband Mike, Julia Kubes Pelham and her husband Richard, Rosanne Kubes, Tony Kubes and his wife Sue, Kathy Kubes, and Teresa Trowbridge and her husband Gary;

21 grandchildren, Paul and his wife Lindsey, Joe Don and his wife Kass, Christina and her husband Mark, Steve and his wife Faye, Greg, Daniel, Kenneth, Brent and his wife Miranda, Jeff and his wife Curran, Lydia, Brian, Andrea and her husband Dusty, Christopher and his wife Lindsey, Brigitte and her husband Jeff, Amy, Rachel and her fiancé Kenneth, Casey, Justin, Katie, Nicole and Sarah; 10 great-grandchildren, Brittany, Kaithin, Lauren, Rylie, Haley, Stephanie, Whitney, Emily, Connor and Tye;

brothers, Ed, Chuck and his wife Rosemarie, Dick and his wife Sophie, and Ron and his wife Kay; sister, Mary Jane; and numerous cousins, nephews and nieces.

In memorial, the family suggests donations to local food banks.

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Hubbard Museum to host gala for Western artists

The Hubbard Museum of the American West hosts a gala opening June 3-4 for the Western Artists of America Exhibition / Sale. Featured artists include Arturo Chavez, William Ahrendt, and association founders Ed Copley and Edward Holmes. Now in its fourth year, this association's membership includes today's best and brightest Western artists.

"As an employee of the museum, I have been privy to an advance peek at these magnificent creations and am all but overwhelmed," says Drew Gomber. "Not an artist myself, but a historian, I do nevertheless, have an appreciation for fine art, having visited the Louvre, among other places, and never, never, have I seen art such as this."



Gomber

"Historical figures such as Geronimo and Custer literally leap off of the canvas at you," Gomber adds.

Just about all facets of the American West are represented, from historical figures, to self-

explanatory works, such as "Morning Coffee," "Canyon Majesty," "Apache Raiders" and "Mountain Camp in Winter."

Bringing \$1.5 million in never-before-seen fine art into the Hubbard's upstairs galleries, the Western Artists show includes oil paintings, watercolors, bronze and pencil drawings.

Opening events include a Buyer's Preview 10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. and the formal exhibition/sale, which includes an open bar and hors d'oeuvres, 6 - 8 p.m. June 3. Tickets are \$100 for the first day's "Ruidoso formal" events, and \$100 for the June 4 banquet. The banquet is a chuck wagon style dinner 5 - 8 p.m., during which the association will make awards presentations.

A poster and catalog signing from 10 a.m. - 12 noon on June 4 is open to the public free of charge. The exhibit continues at the Hubbard through July 17 (regular museum admission applies).

Registration for the June 3 - 4 opening events is from 10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Friday, June 3. For more information and to RSVP, please call 378-4142.



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"Vigilant," currently on exhibit at the Sonya Smith Galleries, is an example of the work for which Western artist Ron Stewart is famous. Stewart and several other Western artists will unveil their newest work June 3-4 at the Hubbard Museum of the West.

Carrizozo Schools gives honors reception to award winners

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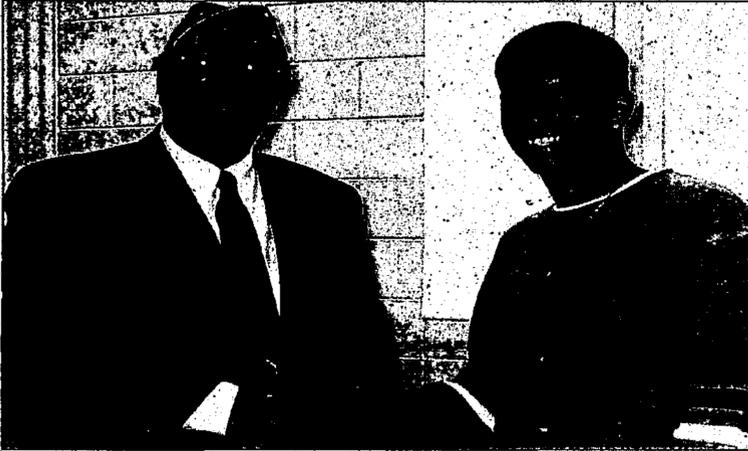
During the flurry of activities that come in May with the ending of the school year, the Carrizozo Schools staff honored students with an awards reception May 24. Scholarships and awards were presented to a large number of students with a packed room of parents present to applaud the rewards of the 2004-2005 school year.

Wal-Mart's Teacher of the Year Award went to Glenn Hawk. Joey McNatt received the Volunteer Service Award.

College scholarship recognition was given to four graduating seniors, Jesse Samora and Brandon Morales each received a \$1,000 bridge scholarship. Stephanie Brewer received \$12,000 in a bridge scholarship, Regents scholarship and a scholarship from the College of the Southwest. Jake Riddle received a \$4,000 Regents scholarship.

Also recognized were the middle school and high school Knowledge Bowl teams. The principal's awards for citizenship, educational excellence and educational achievement were awarded certificates.

Other scholarships and awards included:
Salutatorian and Valedictorian: Jake



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American Legion District 5 Commander J.D. Roehrig, left, awarded the American Legion Post 57 Auxiliary scholarship award to Jesse Samora at the Carrizozo Schools' honors reception May 24.



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Scott Shafer, President of Wells Fargo bank, right, presented Cassie Heathcock with the Wells Fargo Citizenship Award.

- Riddle, Stephanie Brewer
Boys/Girls State recognition: Stephanie Brewer, Jake Riddle
New Mexico Public Education Scholar Award: Nathan New
National Honor Society Certificate of Merit: Jake Riddle, Stephanie Brewer
National Physical Fitness Award: Mason Huston
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- Nominees: Jake Riddle, Stephanie Brewer
American Legion Post 57 Auxiliary scholarship: Jesse Samora
People for Kids (PFK) scholarships: Sarah White, Jesse Samora, Brandon Morales
Santa Rita Church Scholarship: Sarah White, Jesse Samora
Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce Scholarship: Jesse Samora
Wells Fargo Citizenship Award: Cassie Heathcock

- Mathew Borowski Memorial Scholarship:** Brandon Morales
Ruidoso Special Events Resource Group Scholarship: Jake Riddle, Stephanie Brewer, Jesse Samora
Carrizozo Women's Club Scholarship: Tierney Burd
Bill Winkler Memorial Scholarship: Stephanie Brewer
Equal Justice Award scholarship: Sarah White, Brandon Morales
Robert G. Woodard Memorial Scholarship: Stephanie Brewer
State FFA Award: Justus Wilson
Perfect Attendance: Kristie Gallacher, Shayna Gallacher, Jeremiah Sedillo, Sierra Anaya, Analicia Beltran, Andrea Beltran and Lane Carter.

COUNTY BRIEFS

RSVPs due for reception

There will be a retirement reception June 5 to honor Sue Stearns in her retirement from the South Central RC&D and the two county soil and water conservation districts. The reception will be from 2-5 p.m. at the Alto Lakes Country Club. Please RSVP today to Dick Shaw at 336-1190 or Katrinka Cox 648-2941.

Library program to begin

Capitan Library is announcing its summer reading program, "Talking Books," for children to take place on Thursdays from 10:30 a.m. to noon, beginning June 2 and concluding July 28. This Thursday Roger the Storyteller will tell about Indian leg-

ends. Children under the age of 8 must be accompanied by an adult. For more information call the library at 354-3035.

Video Series in Lincoln

The Historic Lincoln Museums will begin the first in a series of videos called "The West." The first video, "The People," begins nearly 100 years before the American Revolution when the Pueblo people of the Southwest rose up against their European masters and drove the Spanish from their lands. With America's purchase of the Louisiana Territory in 1804, Lewis and Clark set off to find the Northwest Passage while a confident young nation prepared for its own epic march

across the West.

The video will be shown at the Anderson Freeman Visitors Center in Lincoln at 10 a.m. June 4. Admission is free. For more information call 653-4025.

Carrizozo Reading and Math

The Carrizozo Schools' summer reading and math program for students advancing to grades 2-8 will run June 6-30, 8:30-11:30 a.m. Monday-Thursday. Students attending summer school with perfect attendance will be rewarded with a trip to Albuquerque to either an Isotopes baseball game or a visit to two museums decided by a vote of the students. For more information contact Becca Ferguson at 648-2346.

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New Mexico's tamarisk watershed plan available for public input

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Riparian lands throughout New Mexico have been seriously impacted by the infestation of non-native phreatophytes (water-loving plants). The two of most concern are tamarisk (a.k.a. salt cedar) and to a lesser extent, the Russian olive.

Tamarisk is a tenacious shrub or tree that has a deep root system of up to 100 feet and leaves a salt residue on the soil surface; it has no natural enemies. These characteristics have resulted in it quickly replacing valuable native vegetation.

Tamarisk thickets now exist along large portions of the rivers, streams, and lakes in New Mexico resulting in poor habitat and increased wildfires, and have a reputation for consuming more water than the native species.

In House Bill 2, the 2004 New Mexico State Legislature tasked several government departments and the Office of the State Engineer, in consultation with the soil and water conservation districts, to develop a statewide policy and strategic plan for non-native phreatophyte and watershed management.

The purpose of this strategic plan is to provide guidance for control of non-native phreatophytes and to further identify the necessary protocols for monitoring, revegetation, rehabilitation, and long-term watershed management activities.

The strategic plan has distinct recommendation and implementation actions in the broad categories of management, planning, funding, education, monitoring, research, and government action that will aid New Mexico in improving riparian conditions.

An extensive public participation plan has been developed and began implementation in May. Public meetings have been held and will continue throughout the state during June to gain additional input to achieve informed consent on this strategic plan.

The New Mexico Department of Agriculture is asking for public comment for vital input in solving a very serious problem. The NMDA website has an area dedicated to the plan and a place to make those comments at <http://www.nmda.nmsu.edu/>. Please submit your comments by July 15.

The website also lists the schedule for June's public meetings. The next is to be held in Roswell 3-5 p.m. and 6:30-8:30 p.m., June 9 in the commissioners chambers of the Chaves County administration building.

Miracle's Paws for Pets: a Carrizozo volunteer animal adoption program

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You have probably seen the posters hung in public places and various businesses around the area; bright color photos of dogs and cats needing a home, looking longingly at the camera.

Through an all-volunteer program, the animals brought to the Carrizozo Animal Shelter are photographed and posters passed through the community in an effort to find homes for them all. And most of the time they have been very successful.

The posters have a twofold purpose. They give an immediate view to people that might be looking for a pet and let owners

of missing pets know they have been found.

In the beginning, donations began arriving in the form of blankets and the Ruidoso Downs Wal-Mart donates bags of pet food. Even a few foster homes signed on to care for a pet until a permanent home could be found. The program is always looking for more foster homes.

Miracle was the first dog fostered out and gave the program its name. Miracle was a beautiful, sweet three-legged dog who loved everybody and wanted to be everyone's friend. Soon his foster mom found a no-kill shelter for him, and later the volunteers learned Miracle had been adopted and had his own fami-

ly. Since the Carrizozo Animal Shelter started up in the fall of 2003, 57 dogs have been adopted out and 34 returned to their owners. The shelter also receives cats and makes every effort to adopt those out.

Ted Zamora, Carrizozo Animal Control officer, tries very hard to get an animal back to its owner or help find a home for him. Volunteer Barbara Culler has worked tirelessly photographing the animals, making the posters and distributing them.

The animal shelter and the adoption volunteers want to send a strong message of the importance of being a responsible pet owner.

Licensing and putting identification on your pets is critical for their return if they should escape or get lost. Animal control regularly finds beautiful animals that obviously belong to someone but have no way of tracking their owners.

Spaying and neutering both



COURTESY PHOTO

Miracle, the dog for which Carrizozo's volunteer animal adoption program was named.

dogs and cats plays a huge part in controlling and breaking the cycle of the number of unwanted and feral animals.

Currently the shelter has two Labrador mixes being fostered and purebred Labrador and Foxhound mix at the kennel, all awaiting adoption. They also have two mommies with eight kittens between them. One set of kittens is old enough for immediate adoption.

If you are interested in fostering an animal until adoption or becoming a new home for a pet in need, contact Suzi Wolfe at the Carrizozo Police Department at 648-2351.



¡BRAVO!



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Top ¡BRAVO! students for Spring semester grades K-2 at Carrizozo. First Row (l-r): Cirsten Barela, Danny Roper, Garrison Ventura, Hannah Ventura, Gracie Hooten, Taylor Thornton and Alex Randolph. Second Row: Lindsay Chavez, Lashae Luera, Mikhail Barela, Lexi Zamora, Kadee Sedillo, Dominique Zamora and Kristie Gallacher. Third Row: Veronica Ochoa, Caleb Ventura, Patience Anaya, Emily Comstock, Dillon Walema and Deline Artech.



Bottom ¡BRAVO! students grades 3-5 Spring semester 2005. First row: Jace Hill, Sierra Anaya, Shayna Gallacher, Sarah Ferguson, Mason Huston and Rylah Zamora. Second Row: Sara McNatt, Johnathan Smith, Brittany Simmons, Patrick Ryan and Nikko Ryan. Third Row: Catalena Vega, Victoria Ventura, Eric Luera, Marshall Ventura and Travis Calvert.



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Violin students practice for a performance at the Capitan Public Library for the First Friday event June 3 at 7 p.m. Left to right is Rebecca Daniels, Carmen Tate, Erin Hightower and Gage Barnett.

Area music students to perform

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The Capitan Public Library's First Friday event at 7 p.m. June 3 will be a performance by the musicians currently under the tutelage of Cindy Foglesong.

The group is an ensemble of violin and guitar players that have been performing publicly this spring for practice. They have played before the Carrizozo school students, New

Horizons care center and the Capitan School PTA's Spring Fling.

Performing on violin will be Erin Hightower, Rebecca Daniels, Carmen Tate and Gage Barnett. Guitar players will be Maria Tate, Jacob Hummer, Joe Eby and Dennis Klinger.

Beth Sisk and Patsy Sanchez are scheduled to perform with their mandolins.

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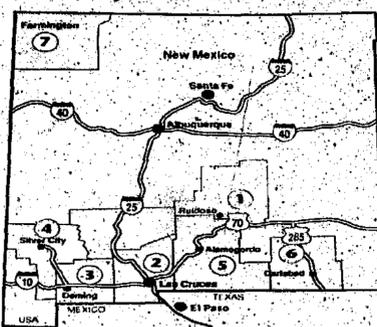
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INVITATION FOR BIDS
Notice is hereby given that the Village of Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico calls for sealed bids on Bid #04-021

The Village of Ruidoso is accepting bids for Village Hall HVAC Renovation

Interested bidders may secure a copy of the specifications from the Purchasing Department at the Village of Ruidoso centralized Purchasing Warehouse, 421 Wingfield St. in Ruidoso, 505-257-2721 (mailing address: 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, NM 88345).

Sealed bids must be received by the Purchasing Office, if hand delivered, to the Ruidoso Purchasing Warehouse at 421 Wingfield St., Ruidoso or if mailed, to Purchasing Department, 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, NM 88345. Bids will be received until Tuesday, June 14, 2005 at 2:00 p.m. local time, then publicly opened and read aloud at the Village of Ruidoso Annex Building, 421 Wingfield, Ruidoso, New Mexico. Any bid received after closing time will be returned unopened.

The Village of Ruidoso reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids and to waive all irregularities and technical irregularities as allowed by the State of New Mexico Procurement Code.

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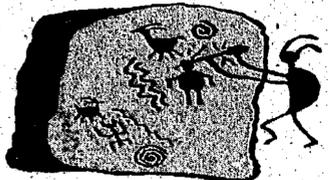
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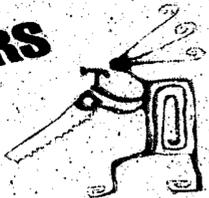
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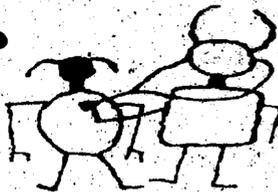
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