## Planners consider Midtown requirements

- A former village planning director tells P\&Z about 'design disasters' along Sudderth Drive

Dianne Stallings

Midtown, the center of tourist shopping in Ruidoso, remains the only area in the village without requirements for open space when lots are developed.
Shop entrances sit right off the public sidewalks in most cases, and practically no ground is left undisturbed. But under a new approach being sug-
gested for gested for wording changes in Village
zoning regulations, developers would be

Council for possible action.
With the shle action. walks, the shops right off the sidemore important, said Village becomes more important, said Village Planning Director Bill Morris. The aim is to create a staggered effect and not encroach on
the positive visual openness of the shopthe positive visual openness of the shopance with tall buildings bordering the sidewalk, he said.
The maximum height allowed would be limited to 25 feet to the top of a roof line, he said.
"I think 25 feet is too much," said
Commission Member Bill Hirschfeld. Morris replied that many existing buildings there are 25 feet now.

Barrow pointed out under Morris proposed Floor-Area-Ratio concept or
FAR, if more floors are allowed, the FAR, if more floors are allowed, the builder can't cover all of the ground to the lot line.
"The more open space, the higher the FAR can do, he said.
FAR stands for the ratio of the gross floor area of all structures on a lot to the total square footage of the lot area, for multistory structures
Mike Runnels, forme village planning director and an attorney who represents some developers, said he favors height limits and they are used in many

## A MATIER OF TRADITION



Mescalero Schools senior Roman Aldava-Thoendel attended graduation ceremonies May 19 in traditional attire. see pages $5-88$ for photos and names of graduation ceremonies inroughout Lincoln Counly

## County moves

forward on drafting comprehensive plan

RFPs to be issued handle the project

Dinnee Stallings

Moving ahead with the Moving ahead with the
effort to draft a comprehensive effort to drat a comprehensive
plan for Lincoln County, complan for Lincoln County, com-
missioners approved advertising for proposals to handle the project.
$\$ 50,000$ Community Develop $\$$ one ment Block Grant to develop the plan. A steering committee must be appointed and mem bers could include a county commissioner, a planning com county Public Land Use and county Public Land Use and mittee, representatives form economic entities, from munici palities and from the county's extra-territorial zoning commission.
In the RFP, 21 plan elements are listed for inclusion, but Jerry Carroll of Oscuro told commissioners last week tha may be too broad a task. down and should be pared instead of shot-gunning every instead of shot-gunning every
thing like utilities and trans thing like utilities, and trans-
portation systems," he said. "I think it's getting too broad." County Manager Tom
 various aspects plan is to cover county and that people will have input during public hear ings, where the focus could be Carroll also said he was caught by surprise when a state official indicated that a planning person used by the county a decade earlier to help draft a comprehensive land use plan that was adopted as a reswas not considered onalified for the county's new project A res the countys new project. A res of law. He contended that at a grant
workshop the official stated see DRAFT. page 8A

The two-wheel solution: More bicyclists peddling around high gas prices

Dianne Staluings

As gasoline prices continue As gasoline prices continue
to gag people at the pump and
with the national forest closed with the national forest closed more bicyclists are peddling down the streets of Ruidoso. But some, especially those new to cycling, are confused about the rules Ruidoso Police Chief Wolfgang Born, a cycling enthusiast and winner of a race sev eral years ago up Ski Run Road to Ski Apache, said just think right.

They must observe all road way rules, use hand signals stop at traffic lights and stop signs," he said Thursday. "The signs, he said are the same for cars.
"In Midtown, we do have on
special ordinance that prohibits
bicycles, skateboards
skates on the skates on the sidewalks." However, in areas outside of Mrom the Sudderth Drive interfrom the Sudderth Drive interthe intersection at Carrizo the intersection at Carrizo
Canyon, sidewalks where available are all right for bicycle use, he said.
Cyclists should be especially mindful of not interfering with the flow of traffic, he said. "Move with the flow of traffic, the same as a motorcycle," said the chief.
"Stay to the right and don't try to ride down the middle." would occur when preparing for a left-hand turn, which also requires a hand signal.
No licenses are required on bicycles, he said. of the road can be confusing

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estrian and Equestrian Coordi- cyclist has to ride in the gutter nator for the
Transportation Mexico or get on the sidewalk.
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per hour, these are not safe | $\begin{array}{ll}\text { cyclists to be granted all rights } & \text { per hour, these are not safe } \\ \text { on the road and they are subject }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{l}\text { places to ride for many reasons, }\end{array}$ |
| :--- | :--- | to the same rules as drivers of particularly the danger of getvehicles with a few exceptions. The law also states that cyclists, "shall ride as near to the right side of the roadway as practicable, exercising care when passing a standing vehicle or one proce

same direction"
same direction.
'practicable,' and in my mind 'practicable,' and in my mind,
that means what is safe to do," Rogers said. "Many cyclists Rogers said. Many cyclists
make the mistake of assuming that they do not have the right to 'block' motor vehicles. If there is not enough room for a car t ting sideswiped by cars enter ing or exiting the roadway. In such a situation, the cyclist has the right to use the lane and it is the motorist's responsibility to safely pass, or not pass, the bicycle."
Born
Born offered these safety tips:

- Wear bright clothing back of the bike with at the back
flag - Wear a helmet. The helmet isn't required, but I recommend it required


# rules fo bicyclists are the are the came." 

RPD chief and bicycling enthusiast
sonal experience," he said. "I was riding in Upper Canyon and the person in front of me
ducked to miss a tree limb and it hit me so hard, it dented my helmet. I was lucky. Who knows what might have happened without a helmet."

See BIKES, page 7A


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## Business workshop

 SANTA FE - The Business and Community Advantage Workshop Series is coming to Ruidoso DownsSponsored by the the New Mexico Economic Development Department, this is an opportu-
nity for local busineas economic developers, and public officials to learn firsthand how to use EDD's programs to effectively build business, create jobs, and enhance the quality life.


The event runs from 8 a.m. 4:30p.m. Thursday at the Hubbard Museum of the American West, 841 W. Hwy. 70 Ruidoso Downs.
The program includes complimentary continental breakalternative financing tinde: alternative financing; tax Training Incentive Program New Mexico 9000, and international trade services; municipal economic development programs; and co-op marketing with EDD.

## Writer awarded

Freelance writer/photographer Yvonne Lanelli of Alto won several awards at New Mexico
Press
Women's annual Communications Contest was announced recently.

Lanelli, who has contributed ski articles and photographs to the Ruidoso News, writes a reg ular column for the Alamogordo Daily News, a sister publication.
Her outdoor adventure column "Follow Mel" captured first place in the Travel catego

ry, second place in Series and honorabie mention in Sports and Leisure.
The winning columns topk readers on scuba diving advenCares with giant mantas in Baja Caingless jellies in the Miro nesian island of in the Micronesian island of Palau, penguin New Year's in Antarctica, skaing in Taos and fly fishing in the Patagonia region of Chile.

Winning first place in the Writing for the Web category was "Desert Diving Surprise" a feature about scuba diving in the artesian springs of Balmorhea State Park, Texas, that appeared in the online publica-
tion DesertUSA tion DesertUSA.com

Into the Deep," about scuba diving in little-known Rack tied for second place in the Features category.
The two first-place winners will be judged in national competition aponsored by National Federation of Press Women. Winners will be announced in the fall.
Lanelli has been a member

## of NMPW and NFPW for 20

years and has won awards on
both state and national levels.

## June Feast

The Mescalero Apache Tribe's June Feast includes a 1-4. Each evening will feature: - Dancing of the Apach Maidens

- Dáncing of the Mountain Gods

Free lunch and Supper -Saturday and Sunday Evening - Apache War Dance The Miss Mescalero pageant y of held during the ceremoDour young womene Maidens. ing.for the Miss Mescalero title. The contestants are:
Kristen Kaydahzinne 17 recent eraduate of Mescalem Apache high school. Kristen's parents are Freddie and Edith aydahzinne.
Ernestina Garcia, 17, who viil attend Tularosa High Chnol next school year. Ernistina's parents are Trudy father Bartolo Garcia

- Erica Bigmouth, 17, who
currently attends Mescalero Apache High School aind will be a senior this next year. Erica's parents are Michelle and terin Bigmouta.
- Katherine Morgan, 17, who attends Tularosa High School. Sylvalene Morgan.
The Miss Mescalero committee is very excited about this year's pageant and thanifful for each of the girls" participation. We would like to invite the public to our annual Miss Mescalero pageant. Miss Mescalero is the tribal ambassador and represents the Mescalero Apache people across Mise state and the country. include being a positive will model, through out her reign She will travel to different tribes and other functions through out the country representing the Mescalero Apache Tribe. She will give positive speeches to the youth in our community and other communities. She will most importantly participate in traditional events within the community.


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County commissioner seeks residents' input for outstanding women'


Soma key playgers on the committee handling selection of women who influenced the hislory of New Mexico, whose names are scheduled to be placed onthisSoma key. players on the comminttee hand ling selection of women who influenced the history
torical markers, are from left, Beveriy Duran; Barbara Richardson, Pat French and Alexis Girard.

## DLANNE STALLINGS dralliny Snidosoncuutcom

Maury St John is on a quest The Lincoln County commissioner wants to ensure that county residents offer nominations for a state.initiative that noting the achievements of out standing women in New Mexico. New Thre.
Three names will be submitted for consideration and will be by commissioners to the New Mexico Historic Woman Marker Initiative. The program will honor contributions of women to the history of the state and one for each county will be - included in the Scenic Roadway Markers of the state.

Eincoln County" she said during a commission meeting last week. "If we don't come up with some, apperson in Santa Fe will some, $\begin{gathered}\text { select." }\end{gathered}$
The resolution must be submitted to meet the July 31 deadline.
"Td like more than just three names," St. John said. "I'd like a variety to have some selections."
Rhondä Burrows offered two suggestions: Susan McSween ing the Lincoln County War and went on to become a prominent rancher; and Fein Sawyer, who was drafted into the Cowgirl Hall of Fame.
St. John asked Burrows to send her the names with a biography of each woman.
Committee members of the Initiative recently minet at the home of Chair Pat French in

Santa Fe to finalize the criteria, Commission on the Status of: approved. Thirty-six historical application process, and appli- Women, representatives of the markers, one in each county, cation submittal for the project. state Department of Cultural one for the Pueblo Native Twelve members attended, Affairs and state Department of Americans, one for the including First Lady of New. Transportation, plus the two co- Mescalero Apache and one for Mexico Barbara Richardson chaịs, Beverly Duran and and St. John as the New Mexico Alexis Girard, St. John said. Association of Counties Board Members include a former Members include a former Idea and carried it to Gov. Bill members of the New Mexico Legislature where it was


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the Navajo lands, are planmed. "The criteria is yery simple and clear," St. John said. "A importance, significant in her importance, significant in her social, educational, political,
architectural, artistic, and/or architectural. artistic, and/or her comminity the State of New Mexico, the Southwest and/or the nation. The woman being honored nuagt be deceased and her achievements must be documentable"
If nominations are not sulte
mitted by a county, a historical woman will be rellected by the selection committee.

It is imperative that we in Lincoln County make nomina tions so. that we have a say in cal highway marker," St, Johin calid.

Nominations, with a shont biography, should be sent to County Manager Tom Stewart at Lincoln County Courthouse, 300 Central Ave., Carrizozo, NM 88301

re-elect: Mauriece "Maury"SED. RESAN WHCOLN COUNFY COMHISSHONLR - DASHICT 2


REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE FOR DISTRICT FIVE:

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Jackie Powell has worked tirelessly for the citizens of Lincoln County for many years. She has been at the forefront of efforts to recognize and develop realistic solutions to our water, wastewater and growth issues.

- Lifelong Resident of Lincoln County - daughter of Jim

Tully; 3 generations of Upper Hondo Basin History.

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- Lincoln County Water Research \& Conservation

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- New Mexico Acequia Association
- Established open communication with NM Interstate

Stream Commission and the NM State Engineers Office

- Lincoln County Business Owner for 30 Years; Married to Denny Powell, Powell Automotive 25 years;
Founder of the annual All American Gun \& Western Collectible Show
- Board Member of SERG, a local non-profit organization that has donated over $\$ 90,000$ to Lincoln County charities

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## OUR OPINIOA

## Ruidosoans deserve

 first considerationResidents are as imporiant as tourists, developers

It's become clear, in the wake of the moratorium issued on tion in Ruidoso, that no amount of planning by the Vilage, can trump Mother Nature's parceling of water

Which, ironically, makes long-range planning all that more critical.
It's one thing for Public Works Director Ken Mosley to have stated that the Village could service the proposed (and defeated) 161-lot development qualifier "at this time" It's qualifier "at this time." It's nize that circumstances, in this nize that circumstances, in this tern, need to be framed in the big picture.
The weather changes; subdivisions are here forever.

## It's a slow news day when we care about radio playlists

Perhaps it was just one of hose slow news days. No the Vigil mistrial yesterday's story, viewers loug having tired of a real yawner of a state political primary season.
Whatever the case, one of the Duke City TV newscasts found time to bring us the report that New Mexico country music stations are hoycotting the Dixie Chicks In the interest of there are hundreds, New Mexico radio of tions and KRQE-TV tions and KRQE-TV them. One of the deejays chortled that only the Dixie Chicks had lower poll ratings than Georg Bush. These morning guys love to yuk it up Whether the majority of country stations are boycotting the Dixie Chicks remains to be seen. Perhaps you deejays and country music fans will weigh in on the your name to the sirail phe Sign your name to the emai, please, from you.
Make no mistake about it, the Chicks are in trouble with their fans and fellow country performers. When Reba McIntyre makes fun of you on the nationally televised country music awards show, you know you are in deep doo doo.

Reba is everything American. She's country and she's cool. She is everyones best pal. So.it had to sting when Reba jested that than the Dixie Chicks' singing with a foot in their mouth oung

The Dixie Chicks, who are not ally Dixie Chicks at all, but are Texas chicks, first got in trouble back in 2003 when one of the trio told a London audience she was embarrassed President Bush was a Texan. The country crowd decided her statement was not covered by the free speech provision of the Constitution.
Having thus enraged their base, the Chicks soon apologized, gy. Will they retract the retrac-

tion? Stay tuned. Frankly, the Chicks saga is starting to sound like an offkey
country song. As if their image were not already in the toilet, now they have brought down the wrath of Meredith Vieira by bad mouthing Meredith's ABC-TV show, "The View." And this is a liberal show, for heaven's sake. What are these girls thinking? Meredith Vieira is fuming. "We are furi ous," she fumed. "Furious!" This is very bad news from a sonal standpoint each day with Katie Couric and Katie leaves the "Today Show" this week. Meredith is taking her place. I do not need furious at 7 in the morning
I need cute and perky at 7 in the I need cute and perky at 7 in the morning.
It has never been clear to me why art and politics have to mesh. Did they ask Pablo Picasso where he stood on immigration or just admire his paintings?
Never having been mistaken for a music critic even after Taylor Hicks would be the American Idol (yo, dog, check it out), I cannot personally attest to the value of the Dixie Chicks contribution.
However, I suspect they are good because fellow. New Mexican Don Imus says they are good. Don Imus is my cultural Weathervane. Imus comes to us N M York each pre-dawn from New York, but during the sum mer broadcasts from
Don Imus thinks I should buy he new Dixie Chick release. I am not going to do that. I am waiting for Willie Nelson to release his single, "I Am So Miserable Without Xou It Seems Almost Like You Are Still Here."
Ned Cantwelt -ncuntwoti@ charter. net - thinks Jane Fonda not have stayed out of Hanoi

The current moratorium was activated by a Phase 5 water restriction, but that is an arbitrary trigger. It didn't sud situation more dire Residents and shop owners deserve to know what their leaders are doing to realistically balance growth and tourism with their desire to water their lilacs once in awhile. Those diacussions should involve the " $M$ " word, and they might supercede the 40-year Water Plan, which was rejected by the state and appears less relevant as we go. to pump Mescalero Iate It might one day reclaim Bonito Lake if the Tularosa Basin is desalinated. The Airport well could strike gold. It might rain again. Until then, let's serve those already here.

## Primary election: Sierra Club endorses. King for attorney genera

Editor's note: The Ruvidoso News voll reserve candidate endorsements. for the general election to be held in November.

Th the editor:
It's caimpaign seeason again, and candidates are making promises. As chair of the Rio Grande Chapter of the Sierra claims made i by candidates regarding their commitment to protection of New Mexico's environment.

Onie candidate for attornéy general promises "new aggres: sive leadership to defend New Mexico's water resourcess ${ }^{\circ}$ hittit:/wwwigenoz006.coni/svate r while he represents Phelps Dodge, one of the biggest pol. luters of our states land and water and a record vio

In contrast, as a legislator In contrast, as a legislator in making our state law more protective of our environment, from the passage in 1990 of the state municipal waste law, to his leadership in 1993 in the passage of New Mexico Mining Act, a law that requires that hard rock (gold, silver, molybdenum) mines be cleaned up and reclaimed so that they do not pollute New Mexico's environ-


He is now the chair of the New Mexico Mining Commission, implementing the law he. passed.
The
The Sierra Club is provid to
eridorse Gary King for Now We anticipate that Gary will be ment;", Mexicó's Attorney General, because he has a history of environmental accomplish-
a strong enforcer of New Mexico's laws passed to protect our environment and preserve

For a link to our Web site and primary endorsements, go to http:/www.sierraclub.org/-
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## Endorsing Carrato

To the editor:
am writing this letter as an endorsement of State Senator $J o e$ Carraro as the Republican candidate: for U.S. Senate from New Mexico:
have known Joe for some time and believe he has the creexcellent U.S. Senator.

His knowledge, experience and positions on tax reform, energy, border security, foreign policy; health care, and education make him the choice to be able to defend our country's values and security and provide common sense solutions to the Sesues we face.
Senator Carraro is in a priwill not only be the Republican will not only be the Repubican tion, but who can also provide New Mexico with another outstanding Republican U.S. Sena-
tor 1 believe Joe can be successful with your support

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## Californian looks forward to clean air, less traffic

LETTERS FROM PAGE 4A
this summer, she has to ride her.bike. Teach your kids to ride salely (bikes are allowed road privileges as are cars).

- I car pool. Put up bulletins in your church, at work, or other popilatad areas to find + can whot benefing your way~ We $\pm \begin{aligned} & \text { can all benefit from this if we } \\ & \text { work as a community. }\end{aligned}$ -1 coast. Have you
to see how far you can coast? It to see how far you can coast ft use the hille in our area to our advantage?


## Food:

- In America, food is some thing we really abuse. If we are not over-indulging, we are wasting.

Eat only what you need. - If you usually have left overs at a restaurant, split a
plate with someone and/or carry your own container to take food home (then make sure you eat it).

Miscellaneous:

- If you frequent a coffee shop, bring your own cup. Many you do.
- Cut up old sheets and use them insteen of paper towels. Go back to using handkerchiefs instead of Kleenex
- Bring your own grocery sack when you shop. In Germany they charge 50 cents per tack to encourage people - Before sure you need it.
Thiese are just a few ides of many that are out there. I hope my efforts to conserve are not being "flushed down the toilet." And when all is said and done, I hope there is a drink of fresh good water for Ruidosio's nimals, plants, and people.

Andrea Reed
Ruidoso
Bicycle friendly?
Tb the editor:
There seems to be confusion aming our visitorg, local offi-
cials and local citizens as to the laws regarding bicycling in the
liage of Ruidoso.
Thave heard bicycling is prohibited in the midtown area of Ruidoso. I have also heard that bicycling is legal in Midtown, just not on the sidewalks. There Sudderth relating at one end of that adds to the confugion Since our forest is closed Since our
mountain biking ses now to mountain biking, 1 have before on our streete. There are also those who are choosing to bike more due to the high coet of gasoline.
Our village markets Ruidaso as a " "bike friendly" location, and I think it is time to clear up the legality of biking on our streets.

Recently a gentleman was hit from behind while riding his bike in midtown $R$. id uckily he was not hutc
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"I'd like to put my knowledge and experience to work for you. I ask for your vote June 6 th."
his bike sustained damage. He was issued a citation by a Ruidoso policeman for riding lowing the flow of traffic. I would ask that you contact Tim Rogers, of the NM DOT transportation programs division as he is the State
Bicycle/Pedestrian/Equestrian Bicycle/Pedestrian/Equestrian
Coordinator. His number is 505-827-0050.
If you could clear up this matter for all of us, I would be extremely gratefuul. Lincoln County Zour Company

Editor's note: See story in coday's newspaper, page 1A.
Ruidoso-bound
To the editor:
My name is Jake Gutierrez Experience and Integrity
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San Jose, Calif. I recently read -ily there. your article on . "Dourism In regards to state tourism Officials The Up marketing efforts, I myself have put
plan," and had to tell you how together a PowerPoint presen plan," and had to tell you how Indil enjoyed the article. I will soon be migrating from the west coast to Ruidoso in the next few months (bought a home on Hull Road) and will be the first to admit that the golfing amenities in Ruidoso were a big selling point for me (not so
much for the wife...ha/ha).
I read the on-line version of the Ruidoso News twice a week and always enjoy articles such ion I've made to move my fam-
cogether a PowerPoint presentation for family and friends that has since attracted four
family members to purchase homes in Ruidoso.
The state of New Mexico and Ruidoes in particular need to capitalize on the mounting Californians deal with on a day. to-day basis.
I am not the only one search. ing for a portal that would allow me and me family a way to go back in time, when things were
less chaotic. The appeal of clean air, less traffic, affordable housing, and people who really mean it when they aisk "How are youn are truly nuggeta of gold if marketed right.
I will soon be leaving my atressful Financial position for a major corporation, in hopes
for a slower pace of life in (or a slower pace of life in Again
Again, great article and thank you from an admirer of miles away.

Hitachi GST San Jose
Business Planner

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## Lincoln County Commissioner District 4

- Whether you bave Itved in Lincoln County for 70 years or 7 years you have noticed the rapid growth and cbange that is taking place all around us.
-Thls growtb requires all cttizens input as to how we want Lincoln County to look 5,10 and 15 years from now.
Othervise, we run the risk of not recogniting our home in the not to distant future.
- Gritical tssues of water suppties and roads, as well as addition al sheriff, fire and EMS protection must be addressed moup so they will be in place when needed.
- Frank's expertence as an accountant and 25 years as a professtonal negottator give bim the skills to belp build a consensus for a viston we can all sbare and implement.
- Please heip Frank work for you by electing bim on Tuesdaj, June 6.

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## State's NAEP science scores remain stable

SANTA FEE - Scores for New Mexicp's 4th and 8th grade students, who were assessed on the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) remained stable in in 2005, remained stable in science according to the NAEP National Report Card released last week.
Students in Grade 4 remained stable while grade 8 students scored lower than 1996 but also remained stable on scores. In New Mexico, 2,800 4th grade and 2,700 eighth grade students participated in the national test. This year span from the last NAEP year span from the last NAEP formance. The results of the NAEP Science assessment mirror the performance of New Mexico students on the NAEAP 2005 Reading and Math assessments.
Of the test results, Dr. Veronica Garcia, secretary of
education, said, "The New Mexico Public Education Department and the State Legislature have begun to address Science performance through the implementation of We Math and Science Burean. We support the need for strong science performance on the
economy of New Mexico and the nation, 'and math and science nation, and math and science and the Math and Science Bureau will analyze this data to focius on critical learning skill for our students."
New Mexico is noted for providing assessment opportunities for all students and provid-
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sion rate for students who are unable to participate in the assersment due to language barriers or special education needs. The exclusion rates, for all states, ranges from 7 percent in "Texas to 1 percent in

South Dakota.
The average scale score for New Mexico's 4th grade stu: dents in science of 141 was not significantly different than the 2000 score of 140, on a scale, of 0-300. New Mexico's 4th' grade average scale dcore was 141, lower than the national scale
score of 149 for 2005 . New Mexico performed lower than Mexico performed lower than Nevada, Arizona, Louisiana, and Alabama were not significantly different in performance from New Mexico. California, and Mississipipi had a lower average scale score than New For 8t
For 8th grade, New Mexico's average scale score of 138 was lower than the 1996 score of
141 and is not significantly different from 2000 (139), on a scale of 0-300. New Mexico's scale score of 138 was lower than thè nation's public schools 147) New Mexico was lower than 47 jurisdictions. New Mexico performed lower than
the nation and 36 jurisdictions. New Mexico was not significantly different from California, Nevada, 'Arizona, Louisiana, Alabama, Florida, and Hawaii, Grade 4: The percentage of students in New Mexico who performed At or above Pronaller than that of the nation (27 percent). The percentage of (27 percent). The percentage of
students who performed At or above Proficient in New Mexico for 2005 ( 18 percent) was not significantly different firom that in 2000 ( 17 percent). New Mexico students scoring At or above Basic in 2005 ( 55 percent) was not significantly different from 2000 ( 17 percent).
Grade 8: The percentage of students in New Mexico who performed At or above smaller than the percentage of the nation's school performance ${ }^{+}$ (27 percent). The percentage of students who performed At or above Proficient in New Mexico was not significantly different
from 2000 ( 20 percent). New Mexico students scoring At or above Bpasic in 2005 (percent) was not gignificantly different from performance in 2000 (48 Studen
Students eligible for Grade 4 and 8 stunch Statuis: Grade 4 and 8 students in New
Mexico eligible for free/reduced lunch had an averige scale score (Grade 4-133 and Grade 8-129) in 2005 that was not sig nificantly different from the nation's performance in this area (Grade 4-135 and Grade 8-
130) 130).

## Ethnic Group Status:

Grade 4 and 8: In 2005, White students in New Mexico had an average scale score that Hispanic, and American Indiari/Alaska Native students. The average scale scores of all ethnic groups listed above were not significantly different between 2000 and 2005 .

Free/Reduced Luinch:
Grade 4: In 2005, New Mexica students eligible for free/reduced price lunch had an 133. This was lower than that for students not eligible for this program (153) Students in this program in New Mexico's average scale score of 133 was not significantly different from students in the nation who were eligible (135).
Grade 8: In 2005, student in New Mexico eligible for free/reduced price lunch had an average science score of 129 which was lower than that of students not eligible for thie pro-
gram (153) Now Mexico students in this program had an average score of 129 which was not significantly different from students in the nation eligible for free/reduced price lunch (130).

For more information on NAEP go to the following web site: www.ped.state.nm.us.

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## Summer reading

Registration for the summer reading prugram at the Ruidoso Public Library, Lasting Impressions, is scheduled for 10 a.m., Saturday. Persons seeking early enrollment in the
read-a-thon and other special
events planned are invited to stop by the library at 107 Kansas Rd. or call 258-3704. A complete schedule of e
The 2006 Summer Reading Program runs June 3 through July 27 with prizes and certificates redeemable from July 28 hrough Aug. 4.

A pre-kindergarten skills class and infant/toddler program are added to the schedule his year

Classmates sought

- The Ruidoso High School Class of 1976 is searching for cor the RHS class of 1976 is set for Aug. 4-6.

Dranna Chinney

Bailey Jones, 7, received a personal thank you from Smokey Bear Thursday for a firewise message and poster she constructed during a nationwide student invitational. Smokey was in town to participate in a pep rally held at Sierra Vista Primary -in which Jones was recognized for talking first place in the regional competition. Jones' work moved on to the five-state regional event after taiking honors locally and in New Mexico and
Her info-poster was selected from among all participating students in New Mexico Schools baring the message: Stop. Think before you strike.
"T'm real happy (to have won)," Jones said the day before the rally. "We need this cuz we can set off a fire when we play with matches," Jones' Think before you strike poster included scenes of "mountains and trees."

Persons with information or addresses on missing classmates are encouraged to contact organizers at coe@valornet.com or $\mathbf{~ r}$
Ruidoso Fight reunion for the Ruidiso High School classes of 1948 through 1970 is scheduled for July 21-22 at RHS. Voluntears to help with the event are being sought, as are the add
For more information call 257-7804 or 257-9733.
High Schaol clase the Ruidoso rently are being sought. A 15 year reunion is planned here for July 21-23. Call 257-1594.

- See pages 5-8 B for a 2006 Lincoln County graduation pictoral -




The Cinctatom lot was clear-cut of old-growth timber for a 55 -unlt hote planterd in the laindscaping scheme.

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areas of the country, "with some enlightenment." He would like to see the village avoid "design disasters" alrieady existing

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along Sudderth that were approved under current ivles, he said.
"They swamp the lots, overwhelm other properties and do riothing to improve property values, Rum.ele sa

## A playful facade

One of the multiple-fioor buildings that enhances the view is Misty Mountain Gourmet Shop, where the front of the two-story building is broken up with a balcony and windows, the facade fe playful and not as stark as one of the newer structures further west, Commission Member Harvey Foater said.
thin the blank wall is whats bothering us," Member Tim Hoyt agreed.

Barrow asked if the new rules could be written to send council for a decision.
"Tm not sure I want that right," to set heights, he said. Tve caught a lot of comment on the variance (approved) to exceed 35 feet (at River Crossing condominiumb).
But Morris said the process would be disjointed if a site plan the apprivediay hae comsent elsewhere for action.

## DRAFT

Bownere in
funding for the comprehensive plan development would be withdrawn if the same person was selected to work on the grant project.
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Hoyt aaid the proposal is
fine, if restricted to Midtown. If someone owns a larger lot, they can move' a building back and builld another floor to open the line of sight.
Hirschfeld asked if anyone wanted to consider requiring setbacks for Midtown, but had Hitls
Under a provision for hillside cuts, proposed new language would restrict the highest point to no more than two feet above the top of a building's primary wall.
"Before it was the top of the roof line," Morris said, but that often meant the cut could be seen.
Commissioners agreed to include a reference to forestry ordinances that require 40 square feet of basil area per acre, which Village Forester on a reasonable population of Ponderosa pin population of cological denine
A 14-inch diameter tree equates to one square foot of basil area, he clarified. "So 40 like that per acre (is the trees, they have to mekse up (the percentage) Wo don't wient

Carroll said he intends to
Carroil said he intends to fications of the person who did the work 10 years ago. Mem bers of PLURAAC specifically wanted the same person involved in the new effort.
"He may not be qualified, but he was involved in planning for 30 years and was a member i Weatern Unversig, Carrol aid. As he reads the critari rinance and Administration is "not all that restrictive" ho said.
to see clear cut for develop Developers of a 65 -init hotel ecrasis from The Comfort Inn that received a great deal of criticism when a maissive stand of trees was removed will plant in 10 to 15 years to attain a 10 inch diameter he said. inch diameter, he said.
Mhayre puitting in 80 of those trees, which will be resistant to the diseases and peata of the area than Ponderoga pine, he said.

Foster asked if the developers, who won a lawsuit againist the village when an application to build a La Quinta was denied based in part on overtbuilding ing plen the commission should ing plan
review.

Morris asid the plan was part of the application and did not require any more review because of the court ordier. "The judge OK'd a site plan turned down four times by this board," he said.

With a FAR approach in place, the village will have a bhais to defend any futture copurt challenges connected to perDelaco also Church of Latter Day Saint on

Commisaioner Tbm Battin akked to wait on any debate with the state over the individual until the RFP is advertised and answered. If that former adviser does not turn in a proposal, there's no issue, he said.
"I didn't hear the man aay that," County Planner Curt Temple said of the remark about not using the same atuvisly can respond and fif high), have an interview" high), have an intervieww, completing the plan is May

Mechem Drive as one of the better projects in town in.referenc to his department: Church officials left more than 25 percen of the natural vegetation and land undisturbed and are replacing 26 trees removed. there were not that many trees but people driving by couldn't uee that inside the lot, there were fewer trees," he said.
Better procedures

- Follow-up by his department was a problem in the past, but he hired a forestry inspector to reep better track of compliance with issues such as root zone protection and fencing, he said. iners that one of the initial reasons for the forestry ordinasices was to create defensible anaces was to create dacensib.
Runnels disagreed with the Rection of non-native plants, because they change the nature of the area. He pointed to past digasters When plants were rought into the state to control erotion and turned out to be water guxzlers and hard to contain.
Delaco agreed that some ast choices were poor, such a he Siberian elm and Russian olive.

2008. He asked to delay approval of the grant agneement until he and the county attorney have time to review the terms, but
vith the RFP.
Battin offered the successfu motion to proceed with the RFF and added that the county Comprehensive Land Use Plan considered in drafting the Conts onsidered indrating the Com quested by Commissioner uen Lovelace and members of PLURAAC.


## Garage is technically too large, planners approve it, anyway

Dianine Sjainings drallingereruddarancus. ion
An unusually large garage for the size of the milin resiextra questions, but members of the Ruidoso Planning and Zoning Commisgion approved Jenry Rogers' request for a con litionial use.
Rogers'lot of 58 of an acre at 301 Cree Meadows Drive in Cree Meadows Heights,'Second Addition, is zoned single family esidentiak,
ot build a 900 -square foot detached garage to be used for his. 1,050-square foot home more than one half the size of the home: ;
Village archntectivral design tandards limit accessory build nges to "a size not greater than 50 percent of the size of the principal , building, Village Planner Darrell Bremner said at the meeting earlier this

un.
I bought the lot in February nd thought this would be sim ple," Rogers said. "I didn't real ze it would be a problem."
Commisgion Member Mike heveley said the . Way he read a repair shop."
Not a repair shop.
Village Planner Bill Morris said the possibility that the oversized garage might be used or are but Rowe a staf board members he needed a orge unit to hold up to four car and for storage.
"I have classic cars, a Jeep and a motorcycle and I like to keep them out of the weather, he said. "There will be no epairs."
Village Attorney Mark Prelo said the size of the garage isn't too large, the house is just Opal Ona, neighbor said he was worried the garage may be unit and another neighbor said the large garage would inter upt her view and reduce the value of her property.
"It will set the pattern for other storage for recreational vehicles, she contended.
Bremner said metal build ings are allowed in residential areas as accessory units, but Prelo said accessory building are difierent than a garage three vehicles per family.
three vehicles per family. inction between accessory buildings and garages (in county code)," the attorney said.
The motion by Reveley to approve the application included that a non-metal siding must be used.
"I thought that was automatic, ${ }^{\text {" }}$ he noted.
Morris said that restriction certainly is the policy of the vil lage.
Glen Barrow, zoning commission chairman, said he wa under the impression only allowed to be metal in residen tial zones. No commercial metal buildings are allowed.
. Commission Secratary.Tim Vega said metal is allowed for mobila homes, maniufactured nomes and prefabricated stor age units of 120 square foot maximum size in residential zones.
In other action, the commis sion:

- recommehded approval to the village council of the vacaConintity Club Drive tequested by, NJynn Starr on the condition that several requirements afe miet, including that Stan pridye $\$ 3$ per square foot for a totial of $\$ 18,033$ within one mointir of conncil approval.
$\because$ Starr's property is zoned comimunity commercial and contains 14 of an acre with an tinde and open decks. He wan
acre acrosig 100 fog of right of be "rloating" unless it is Hiccor- wor Lot 12A, Block 1, Mobaniel way an Country 6 ub Drive to porated into the other lotiat $35 \%$, reights Subdivision requested

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## Developer: Village using incorrect water data

- Village Planning Director Bill Morris' idea for objectifying criteria for development meets opposition

Dianne Stalinges
Trying to establish minimum levels of service for water, sewer, drainage, access and emergency services as an opjecRuidoso can serve new develop ment may be a tougher task than anticipated.

One developer who showed up for the Ruidoso Planning and Zoning Commission meeting earlier this month contended village officials are working with the wrong figure for average household water consumption and that could throw off calculations used to weigh the subdivision, he said.

Before the prop
Before the proposed ordinance moves to a public hearthey would like to see examples of other towns that use the same approach. They also asked that the proposed wording be posted on the village Web site to give people a point of reference when they attended the hearing

Village Planning Director Bill Morris said the proposed Adequate Public Facilities ordiinfrastructure capacity and its availability to new development as part of the review process."

Objective criteria should show conclusively if capacity exists in the systems to support what is being proposed, he said. The concept of establishing levels of service has been around for years, he said. Any project not creating
additional impact would not be
subjected to the review, he explained, That would include commercial buildings being emodeled but not enlarged, Morris said. But new subdivisions or commercial projects, or rezoning that would increase density would be weighed against ability to provide serices, he explained.
If a subdivision already is approved, a builder coming in not be covered by the ordinot be covered by the ordinance, because an approved
number of housing units number of housing units
already are considered vested within the system," Morris clarified.
Glen Barrow, chairman of the commission, asked about subdivisions on Camelot Mountain where service may be nadequate, but the lots fall within the larger approved development and a final plat was approved for a portion. Morris said approved subdivisions on Camelot would be
exempt, but for a developer who exempt, but for a developer who the land the would be considered raw and without a development order or preliminary plat.
Attorney Mike Runnels, former village planing director, said he didn't think anyone had vested development rights until a final plat was approved.
"A preliminary plat is just Village Attorney Marc said he agreed that no Prelo light exists until a final plat is approved

On the other hand, Runnels questioned why if he wanted to build a boutique hotel on the vacant Canning family lot across from the Gazebo Shopping Center on Sudderth and Country Club drives, he could be stopped because although the land is zoned for
the use, uTm hearing that a

People say there is no water, but
there is mo difta to sipport that."
Mario Zerboni
Developer

developer will have to fix the problem because the village hasn't. If Im allowed by zoning why do I have to go through this process?"
Developer Mario Zerbon riticized the approach because he contended the water con sumption data on which the village is operating is faulty. What is produced is not necessarily consumed by people, some may be lost for other reasons, he said.
"People say there is no water, but there is no data to support that." he insisted. His statement preceded the declaration of a water emer Village Council, based on low water levels in Ruidoso's main reservoir, low flow on the Ruidoso River and the need to lower the pumps in the North ork well field.
In reviewing wording proposed by Morris, Commission Member Tim Hoyt asked that a one-year time limit be removed under an exemption to the a dwelling unit.
He pointed out that all lots on record within a previously approved subdivision are exempt and that would cover a dwelling replaced on an existing lot.

Member Bill Hirschfeld said he didn't see a "fail safe". in arriving at decisions for capaci-
ty to serve. Barrow said depart-
ment heads would be consulted and people could appeal to the village council and district

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Morris said the criteria should be verifiable, not random. Department heads would submit quarterly reports so everyone will know where the numbers sit. The quarterly reports will give a snapshot at any given time.
Ruinnels said the water supply the day after the July 4th weekend is bound to be lowe than the day before the holiday. depending on when a person applies." he said. "Are we going applies." he said. "Are we going to average the supply. Weve

Member Mike Reveley said the board was told there wasn't enough water for River Crossing and a line had to be run over a mountain to supply the commercial and condominium development on Sudderth Drive.
$\because$ We're trying to lay out the process, Morris said. That will include establish a level of service, a review process for pro-
jects, a process for determining equivalence to offset impact and to establish an appeal process
Hoyit
Hoyt said, "Just going through the study is a good Bar
Barrow said he'd like to set he public hearing in about one month.

## County's emergency director

 seeks combined fire ordinancebuns hiswhintics
CByrnput: fall, tincolh County Eniergency Services Manager Bill Martin hopes to: assemble d proposed orainance wrapping ugetheryill. rules related to fire fighting preparedness and prevention. Wat for ngw, his firgteste, missioners tast wiok cation "articlest detailin that ha hopes to resilate and how He wants to give them plenty of time to review them before serious discussions hegin, Martin said.
The purpose of this pro
posed ordinancesis to effectively combine all existing and proposed administrative and regulatory issues perfaing thre use, fre proce. corrination within the coun ty under sinple comprehen sive legislative dociment,' h said.
${ }^{*}$ The public will be given an opportunity to comment durng public hearings required for adoption of an ordinance, he said. Before that, fire chiefs in the county will be asked to contribute ideas and comments on fitems related to ure ignuag and ensuring a Mater supply for that activity,
tartin said
Much of the content of the proposed comprehensive ordicurrent county ordinances, he said. Other language is contained in resolutions or proposed ordinance changes are available for rapid insertion and adoption, he said. Adoption also could include the International Fire Code
and the National Fire Pratection Association's Standarde for protection of
Life and Property from Wildfire.
His proposal desils withe $\checkmark$ fire service administrat tion.
fire code
fire use restrictions and fire hazard mitigation, which cies that adversely impact the county's ability to implement and enforce effective restrictions during periods of extreme fire danger.

- fire protection and comp munity development, which wotuld contain language and regulations that include what was removed from the county subdivision ordinance.
fireworks
and wildand fire prevention and protection

Martin said he can " "cut and paste, as the commissioners see fit and he can drag
into the new ordinance, the existing fireworks restrictions:

In a related issue, commissioners decided to send the draft of the proposed subdivistan ordinance changes to six state agencies for their 30-day
review. A public hearing then will be sicheduled separately from a regular commission meeting in July for final changes and action

More proposed changes submitted by surveyor Tim Collins, water-wastewater operator Kathy Eisen and water activist Tony Davis will se supplied to commissioners for review in the interim to be considered at the public hearing.

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## Winners prove their worth in trials

First Prize Robin, Okey Dokey Fantasy two fastest horses in Ruidoso Futurity trials at Ruidoso Downs opening day

Tond Fuepa:

First Prize Robin and Okey Dokey Fantasy proved they ing them Friday on opening doy at Ruidposo Downis, ench earming the top two fastest times in
uturity.
The pair - winners of the Retama Park and Manor - turned in time of 17.696 and 17.740 seconds to solidify their staudings as horses to beat when the Ruidoso Futurity: is rum June 11.

All 10 of the qualifying horses made their times in the face of a stiff headwind that blew. strong all day, something of a aurprise, given that trial datas at Ruidoso Downs are usually wind and weather that can wind and weather that can
directly affect how horses rum and qualify.
Oni Friday, all the horses faced abbut as even conditions as you could expect at the mountain track, and First Prize Robin made the most of her chance.
"She was actually out broke at the start, but this filly went with it," said trainer Jack Brooks.
Parke

Parker County Peach, trained by Carlos Sedillo and
ridden by Larry Payne, had a 2 $1 / 2$ lead to start, but then saw * as jockey Jacky Martin strealed past on First Prize Robin in the stretch, turning in a speed index of 85 for the race. Parker County Peach's time of 17.85 was still good enough to get his name on the list of quabifiers for the final.


First Prize Robla, left, with Jacky Martin on board, outtuns Mr Gordon Shultz and Jockey Oscar Hernandez Friday during trials for thie Ruidoso Futurity at Ruidoso Downs

- As for First Prize Robin, he's hide with the filly owned by $1 / 2$ weeks, and that's not like Brooks. wais very happy with L.A. Scherwinski and W.E. me," Brooks said. "But Ill take his horse's performance, Smith. $\quad$ the win any way. We're taking despite the lack of preparation "She's only been up here 2 it easy with her now."


Brooks and Martin also eamed up to qualify Voghts Gold, owned by Joan Crews Gald, owned by doan Crews
Hoyt with a time of 17.840 in the 13th race.
Okey Dokey Fantasy had the fastest time before Firs trize Robin went to the gate needing a final surge with Juan Vasquez aboard in. the ninth race to beat off Heavenly Trip by halfa length and earn a time of 17.740. Heavenly Trip ridden by Jerry Yoakum and trained by Roy Marcom, still had a time of, 17.806, fourth fastest among all qualifiers.
Friday's win marks the third in a row for Okey Dokey Fantasy, owned by Ariel Campos and trained by John Boegner, has also won the Conghoin Futurity in addition to the Manor
Austin, Texas.
Austin, Texas. Thile, but he's been hoing for a ter and better since hiog bet here" Boegner aid "I was really surprised by the time really sume the wind but Im hame either way.n
One major surprise came in the 10th rače as Separatis Pbo, going off as a $20-1$ shot broke well from the gate with Esgar Ramirez on board and almost led wire-to-wire for the rictory. His win wasn't just good for bettors who risked money on him, the gelding's time of 17.762 was third fastest on the day.
"This colt had showed tal ent, but we haven't drilled him hard," said trainer Michael Joiner. "When you have a first time starter like this, it's hard to tell."

## Jones, Gilbreath top trainers in Derby trials Saturday

> TODD FUQUA

> For all involved with Leading Spirit, Saturday's trials for the Ruidoso Derby were one big disappointment.
> For trainers Paul Jones and Dwayne Gilbreath, it was a day of triumph at Ruidoso Downs.
> Jones led four qualifiers to the finals Saturday, while Gilbreath earned three spots in the finals and three trial wins,
including Real Good Man, whose time of 20.025 seconds was the fastest on the day.
> Leading Spirit, making his first start sinca last year's All American Futurity trial and August, finished third in his "No exicuses, he just got outrun," spid trainer Blane Wood.
> Jones' best time of the day came thanks to Coco Corona, the only one his his horses to win her trial. The filly, Owned. by R.D. Hubbard Ted Abrams, AN. Streelman and R. Masterson, won Martinez ahodrid turning in the of Martine
20.127.
> The win marked her first start since October, a third-place finish at Zia Park. WVe had to take some chips out of her knee after that," Jones saidi; "But we're really happy with how she came back She's a nice filly and were proud of her." Jones also led Mia Jones, Rousing Encore and Kelowna Kash to the final, to be than June 11.

> Real Good Man, ridden by Joe Martinez, not only earned the faltast time of the trials, he also braike his maid-


Stokery Joe Martinez, atop Real Good Man, flashes a smile for trainer Dwayrte Gillbreath, right, atter riding the gelding to the fastest time of the Riuidoso Derby trials Saturday at Ruidoso Downs. on with a win by more than a length over "Ibiday was only his fourth out, so we Rousing Encore. The closeat Real Good hope he comes back well from this Man had come to winnting before was a Theres no reason to think he won't. second-place finish in his Ruidoso Other horses qualified by Gilbreath Futurity trial last year. "We put him in surgery and laid him were Jess Because and
Winninginthebuff, who now has three wins in his lagt four starts this year:

## Derby trials set for Thursday

## $\underset{\text { For the Ruidoso Neus }}{\text { TY WYant }}$

K.C. Carden's Brindis Por Cayenne, third-place finisher in last year's All American Futurity, makes his 2006 debut in the first of three
trials to the Bayer Legend Derby at trigls to the Bayer Legend Des
Ruidoso Downs this Thursday
First post time is 1 p.m. and the trials will be held as the third through the fifth races on the 9-race program. The 10 fastest qualifiers from the trials qualify to race in the Bayer Legend Derby, part of the MBNA America Racing Challenge program, June 18.
Brindis Por Cayenna, racing out of the John Stinebaugh barn, has earned nearly $\$ 200,000$ mainly on strength of his performances in two Futurity and the $\$ 1$ million Tazas Futurity and the $\$ 1$ million Taxas Futurity he made a strong rum to fin:ish third, just $1 / 2$-length behind win:ner Teller Cartel. He then cloged out his 2 -yeari-old season with a fourth ${ }^{-}$ place effort in the Texas Classic Futurity at Lone Star Park, his most
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Ty Wranat
For the Ruidoso News
Ben Chacon's Fortune held off a late curlys lenge by favored Bang to score a mild upset victory in the $\mathbf{\$ 4 0 , 0 0 0}$ Fine Loom Handicap at 870 yards at Ruidoso Downs Monday.

Makamaddash sprinted to the lead from the outside post position in the eight-horse field and maintained his lead


Ruldose team The Predators recentiy finished the Sterra Blanca Opener as the undefeated ctiamplon in E -class May 19-21. The Predators defeated the Alamo Aces 22-0 in the titte game to earn the first Class E championship for a Ruidoso team in elght years. Other Ruidoso-area teams. playing in fhe tou

## Curlys Fortune holds on in Fine Loom Handicap

to the top of the stretch. Curlys Fortune, with J.R. Valenzuela board, rallied from striking position to take the lead and pulled away to a
clear advantage 200 yards from the wire.
Bang, winner of three of his previous four starts, made his expected late run deep in the stretch but came up 1/2-length short at the wire. Dreaming of Roses rallied to finish third, 2 . 1/4 lengths behind Bang.

## DERBY TRIALS 

 Candys Red Hot andStrawlins.

Jim and Marilyn Helzer's This Candys Red Hot, trained by Sleepy Gilbreath, has won five of nine career starts and comes of a fourth -place finish in the Remington Park Derby

The Martin Orona-trained Curlys Fortune picked up his first win from three 2006 starts. In his two previous, starts, each a Sunland Park
870 -yard' allowance race, he 870 -yard allowance race, he
was sent off as the strong favorite but. was never. a threat in either race after stumbling at the start.

Last year, Curlys Fortune tarted sear, Curlys Fortune wins and a three second-place finishes.

## April 30.

Donald and Peggy Boyle's Strawkins is making his Ruidoso Downs debut after having a troubled trip and tinishing seventh in the Los February. The Paul Joniestrained gelding has won six of nine starts, including wins in the Canada Gup Futurity and the Pot O Gold Futurity.

Sent off at 8-1, Curlys. Fortune paid $\$ 17.60, \$ 5.60$ and $\$ 4.00$. The $8-5$ favorite Bang returned $\$ 2.80$ and
$\$ 2.60$. Dreaming Of Roses was worth $\$ 3.80$. The $\$ 2$ exacta paid $\$ 36.80$ and the $\$ 1$ trifecta was worth $\$ 126.20$.


COURTESY PHOTO Andrew Burula, left, and Jacob Rodriguez returned recently from the Pepsi State Tournament in Albuquerque, where Rodriguez earned top honors forithis age group.
Ruidoso pair malkes its mark at state toumey.
While bowling in the Ruidoso only the thind time rd broke 200 , youth/adiult league, 12 year-old Rodriguez said. "I was glad Jacolb Rodriguez saw a flyer for Andnew went with me, too. He the Pepsi State Tournament in gave me a lot of support", Alhuquerque; scheduled for April 28-29.

He and friend Andrew Gurule were the only two youths from
Ruidoso to make the Ruidoso to make the krip, and for Rodriguez, it 'was an advantageous trip. He bowled thiree
games of 163,148 and 208 to earn games or 163 , 148 and 208 to earn "It was exciting; and it was

Gurule's scores of 162,107 and 108 werent good enough to earn him any sort of nite, knt he wa upd like to to
Gurule said. "It was kind again," intimidating, but when I started talking to the other kids, I fouind they were a lot like me, and we al had fun."


Mipht Be Elpoked, far right, flies to a victory in the Norgor Derby Sunday at Ruidoso Downs.
Might Be Hooked rallies for Norgor Derby win

Ty WYant For the Ruidoro Neus
Might Be Hooked made a bold move from Might Be Hooked made a bold move from
ast to firset to win the $\$ 40,000$ Norgor Derby at six furlongs Sunday at Ruidoso Downs.
Might Be Hooked was last in the sevenhorse field entering the turn when jockey Ken Thhill asked him to rum and he responded by passing his six rivals in the final quarter mile. In the final strides he passed runner-up Both Sides, who was also making a late rally, to win by an expanding half length. Bizmarque, who held the lead coming off the turn, was
another $1 / 2$-length back for third.

Might Be Hooked, owned by Lucky Six Inc.
and Johnnie Nall, raced the six furlongs in 1-12 and Johnnie
The Norgor Derby win was his first as 3 The Norgor Derby win was his first as 3-
year-old and the $\$ 24,000$ first-place check year-old and the $\$ 24,000$ firs
raised his earnings to $\$ 104,788$.

The Johnnie Nall-trained Might Be Hooked came into the Norgor Derby after finishing came into the Norgor Derby aiter Disth the $\$ 500,000$ Winstar Derby at Sunland Park on April 1. Last year, he finished in the top three in six of eight starts with three ins.
Might Be Hooked returned $\$ 5.60, \$ 3.60$ and $\$ 2.40$. Both Sides paid $\$ 6.00$ and $\$ 2.60$ while Bizmaraque, the 7-5 favorite, was worth $\$ 2.20$ to show. The $\$ 2$ exacta paid $\$ 26.60$ and the $\$ 1$
trifecta returned $\$ 36.00$.


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# Corriente CowBelles award four annual scholarships 


#### Abstract

julle Caikter: Just completed her junior year at The 20th Annual Corriente. Portales where she is earning a bache CowBelle team roping held Saturday four $\$ 250$ scholarships Shannoin Memorial Staci Stanbrough, the Ruth awarded Shannon Memorial scholarship. The daughter of Tiger and Karen Stanbrough, she is the Capitan High School torian. In the fall she orian. In the fall sh Will attend New . Mexico State Animal Science and compete a member of the NMSU rodeo team Stanbrough was also awarded an NMSU Regents Scholarship that cov ors her tuition and fees. Arrowsmith Memorial The Judy Arrowsmith Memorial Scholarship was awarded to Lucera Ralph and Lindy Montes and a 2003  Lincoln County in the New Mexico State Fair queen contest in September. Corriente scholarships Ryan Gaines, son of Mike and Melody Gaines, of Carrizozo wa award a Corriente scholarship for his pursuit in agriculture and extension education at NMSU this fall. He plans to become an ag education instructor and bring the use of shop skills back to


Mexico schools Gaines has been very active in his local FFA and 4-H organizations through his school years, gain-
ing strong work ethics leadership Ing strong work ethics, leadership skills and a sense of responsilility, a Rourth scholarship was graduate, Codi Montes, draduate, Codi Montes, Renge Monter, She is a Cum Poutales with a bachelor's degree in agriculture educa tion.
She
She has been employed by Elida Schools where she will teach social situdies, language
arts and consumer science. She and consumer science.


Comiente fowbelles awarded scholarships to four studenis prior to their annual fund-ralse team roping Saturday. Present to receive. thelr checks were. left, Lucera Montes and Codi Montes with Corrlente president Vetma Ward.

## Fiber Fest over, more fun to come



## Carrizozo grad awarded \$1,000 Ford/FFA Scholarship

KC. Fendricks, a 2006 graduate of individual participating Ford dealers, Carrizozo High School, has been 535 scholarships are being awarded. awarded a $\$ 1,000$ scholarship by, Raidoso Ford-LincolnMercury and Ford Motor Company.
Hendrick's parents are Mark and Stacy Hendricks of the I Bar X He plans to study Range Fe plans to study Range State Unies at New Mexic State University this fall. Hendricks won one of Henmict awarded by Fard Division, Ford Motor Company Fund and the Ford Dealers to FFA members who are high school seniors planning to attend college in the fall of 2006. The Built Ford Tough, Trucks/FEA Scholarship Program recently cele-
 Additionally, five $\$ 1,000$ nationa scholarships are being awarded on behalf of Ford Division, The Built Ford Tough Trucks/FFA Scholarship Program is designed to recognize FFA members' tal while encouraging their and future academic achieve and futur Built Ford Tbugh Trucks and Ford Motor Company und sponsor these scholar ships as a special proje
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Farm Service Agency promotes drought Helpdesk Initiative for program information

ALBUQUERQUE - Rick Lopez,
state executive director for the New state executive director for the New commended the New Mexico Association of Conservation Districts (NMACD), the New Mexico Department of Agriculture (NMDA) and the USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) for working together to establish the rought Helpdesk.
Farmers and ranchers can receive information on drought resources

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Finding program information
'The Helpdesk is a great way for our farmers and ranchers to receive program information from one source regarding the different government and private agencies that can provide assistance to them. We, at the Farm Service Agency, are working with the coordinators to insure they have all ride this service to our producers,"

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The Helpdesk was created to allow producers the ability to receive basic program information related to each particular situation.
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This Helpdesk service is timely considering FSA's recent announcement of New Mexico's drought disaster dec laration. Producers calling the Helpdesk will receive information viding drought relief and related benc

fits including the Environmental interest emen Program (EC
In addition to basic program information, the Helpdesk provides contact information for all agencies involved so producers can contact that agency directly to receive detailed information on benefits, eligibility and the application process if applicable.
Producers can call the Drought Helpdesk, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Mon. Fri., at 800-410-2067 ext. 4425 .

## COUNTY BRIEFS

Snowy River presentation
The Lincoln County Historical Society will present, June \&, Bill Muriy with. the Bureau of Land Management and his power point presentation of the newly-discovered Snowy River Cave. The cave is a newly-discovered extension of the Fort Stanton Cave and contains unique features, some of which are not fully ously found in other locations.

acres the state suffer tremen hardship during times of drought. The Farm Service Agency, along with our partners, is committed to providing Mexico's farmers and ranchers Now Hexico's farmers and ranchers. This Hailable for support of production agriculture," stated Lopez
For information regarding FSA pro grams available visit FSA Web site a www.fsa.usda.gov/nm or call the local USDA service center in Carrizozo at 648-2941.

The power point walks the viewer trough the stages of discovery with photos that have been seen to date by only a few hundred people. Murry presentation gives visual of the new discovery that won't be seen by main stream America for a very long time if ever. The free event will begin at 2 p.m. at the HubbardMuseum of American ,est, 841 highway 70 West, Ruidoso Downs. Alden Rich at-257-7480


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Hondo Hilgh Sehool Salutattorian Teka Salcido presents his parents with a rose at graduation ceremoniles hhed May 26 at the school center gymnasium. The class of 2006 chose the rose as its class llower.

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Ruidoso High School wrapped another aca-
diemic year with its 2006 Graduation Ceremony May 20. The event, which took place at Horton Stadium, saw a send off of 143 graduates; 23 of whom Honors or a GPA of 3.71 or up and 33 who graduated with Honors, or a GPA of 3.3 to 3.7 .
Speakers for the event, including RHS Principal Dr. Paul Wirth and Theacher Marin Goza, were the 2006 Distinguished Warrior Honorees: Whrystyne Eckerd, Jaime Wirth, Shane Hoffinan, and Christi Richardson. Music was present by the RHS Choir.

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## Capitan Tigers

Capitan High School graduated 23 seniors in 2006 during ceremonies held May 20. They are: Brit

Brittany Adcock
Danny Aviles
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Brandon Caughron

Carl Christensen
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## Mescalero Chiefs

Mescalero Kigh Schoo Graduated 32 students May 19 with ceramonies taking place at the school center gymnagium. Keynote addresgea ware given by Valedictorian Clay Geronimo and Salutatorian Donnel McFadien.

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ETastern New Mexico University-Ruidoso's first which took place May ceremony, which took place May 14 packed capacity. Former Dean of the Ruidoso Instruction Center, Jim Miller, was the first person honored at the ceremony when he was made Dean Emeritus of the newly-established Ruidoso branch of ENMMU. Miller was instrumental in establishing. branch status for the Ruidoso address was lege. The keynote McClire, secretary of higher McClucation.
The following Ruidoso area - students were gradiuated from Easterri New Mexico UniversityRuidoso and ENMU Portales this spring. An asterisk (*) indicates a student who is graduating with Honors. A plus sign ( + ) indicates Phi Theta Kappa xecognition.

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## Carrizozo Grizzlies


 Hendricks-Valedictorian, Natasha Renney, Ryan Gaines, Britin Ward, Mattew Barela

## Corona Cardinals



Etight sentons wore graduated Irom Corona High School May 20. Piclured, I-r: Wayne Finley, Omar Martinez, Maricela Noriega-Salutatorian, Luke Proctor, Juanita Romero-Valedictorian, Frankie Sanchez, Logan Sherwood, and Alexandra Stewart.

## Hondo Eagles



Hondo HinghSchool sald farawall to seven of its own May 26 with commencennent exercises taking place in the Hondo High School Gyminasium. Teka Salcido served as Salutatorian for the event. Chosen as the 2006 class flower was the rose, colors are. red and silver and the class song is The Wall by Pink
Floyd. Graduates chose as its class motto a self-rellective tribute, author urknown: "We jutge ourselves by what we believe we can do; otheris judde us by what Floyd. Graduates chose as its class motto a self-rellective tribute, author urknown: "We judige ourselves by what we believe we can dob: otheris judge us by what
we have done." Graduating seniors, I-r: Angeilca Chavez, Patrick Montoya, Erica Mena, Jasse Baca, Idalia Lerma, Teka Salcito, Salutuatoriani and Viviana We have done." Graduating seniors, I-r: Angelica Chavez, Patrick Montoya, Erica Mena, Jessé Baca, Idalia Lerma, Telka Salcido, Sälutalorian; and Viviaña
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## Black bear finds Las Cruces

LAS CRUCES - A young, ' with humans, or if they become 126-pound male black bear that aggressive and dangerous, they traveled a great distance to Las: Cruces in search of food was captured Friday and returned About 9 ational Forest. Department of Game and Fish conservation officers and the Dona Ana Sheriffs deputies responded to reports of a bear wandering around a neighborhood in west Las Cruces.
Officers darted the bear with a tranquilizer, then safely removed the animal from a tr The bear was not posing any threats, and most likely had found its way into town in search of food, officers said. With little moisture in the mountains this year, bears normal food sources of berries, acorns and greens are not as sources also are becoming scarce
The bear received an ear tag for future identification in case it returns to town or becomes a

In New Mexico, problem bears are tagged the first time they are trapped and relocated. If they have three encounter
with humans, or if they becom are killed.
The Now Mexico Department of Game and Fish encourages everyone to follow some simple precautions to minimize unwanted encounters, with bears: Remove any bear attractants such as bird feeders including hummingbird feeders -pet food, grills and unsecured trash cans.
Remember, a fed bear is a dead bear. People who make effect training the bear to return again and again to that food source.
It is a learned behavior that often is impossible to break and in many cases is fatal to the bear.
If you have a problem bear visiting your residence, please contact your local Department Gfame and Fish conservation officer:
Officers will respond to most complaints, especially if there Sometimes, however, residents will be advised to bring children and pets inside, and usually the bear will leave within a few hours.

## Fourth Hantavirus confirmed in Otero County woman

F Fourth Hantavirus case in New Mexico in 2006
been expased to rodent droppings and who become ill with Hantavirus-like symptom Hhould seek medical care. drome is a deadly diseas transmitted by infected rodents through urine, droppings or saliva.
People can contract the disbase when they breathe in aerosolized virus. The deer mouse is the main carrier fo Hantavirus in New Mexico.
The Department of Health urges health-care workers and ize themselves with the symptoms of Hantavirus.
Early symptoms of Hantavirus are fever and muscle aches, possibly with chills, headache, nausea, vomiting diarrhea, abdominal pain and cough.
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turdoy May 20, 2006 , died home.
Pastor Michael A. Maurer will officiate at the services. Cremation has taken place under the direction of Terpening \& Son Mortuary.

Mr. Bonneau was born November 16, 1958 in El Paso, Texas; the son of Wilfred J. Bonneau and Muriel S. Tapp. He came
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He was preceded in death by his life partner Lois Stevens, Survivors include his mother Muriel s. Tapp; rather. Wilfred : Bonneau; brother Bruce ter Lisa Adkins; niephews Kelly ter Lisa Adkins; niephews Kelly and Bryan Honneau; Mieces Adkins; very beast friend Pastor Michael A. Maurer.
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7, 2006;, at Ft. Bliss Nathonal Cemetery, iol Paso, Taxas.
Mrs. Damielson passed away
May $25,2006$.
Virginia Danielson was born March 1, 1927, in La Junta, Colo.

She moved from Las Cruces, N.M., to E1 Paso, where she met and married Floyd Danielson. They married Octolier 1, 1974. They moved from ER Paso to Allison, Colo., and then on to Capitan, N:M., where they spent many of their 32 happy years together.
They were active members of the local senior center and were representatives at both state and national Senior Olympics, earning : several medals.
death by two husbands, Hugh Raiston and Floyd Danielson and a stepeon, Shawn Danielson.
Surviving family member include two sonss Randy Ralston and wifo Sue of Brownifield and Rondald Dallas and wife Darlene of Barringer and husband Steve of Hobbs, N:M, four' stepdaughters, Gerldine Sawitz and husband Reb of Wildomar, Calif., Kathy Birdseye and husband Walter of Tacoma, Wash. Cynthia Carso and hushand Joe of Florence; Ore, and LeAnne, Baile of Tairzana, Calif.; 20 grandchildren and 12 great -grandchildren
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