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## Unauthorized wells located at Ski Apache

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Two wells were drilled on U.S. Forest Service land at the direction of Ski Apache management in 2003 without notifying federal officials and without a permit from the State Engineer's Office, a federal official said Tuesday.

Juan Hernandez of the SEO's Roswell office discovered the wells and alerted Buck Sanchez, who heads the Smokey Bear Ranger District of the Lincoln National Forest, which includes land leased to the Mescalero Apache Tribe for its ski resort.

To clear up the situation, Sanchez said he had three options: require the

tribe to abandon the wells, designate the wells for use by the Forest Service in fire fighting and for roads, or for the Forest Service to apply for a supplemental well permit on behalf of the tribe. That would restrict the use of the wells only to bring production to the 585 acre feet per year allowed in four previously existing wells, and will require that all six wells be metered to track usage, Sanchez said.

He opted for the last approach.

Duane Frost, chairman of the Lincoln County Public Land Use and Rural Affairs Advisory Committee, and County Commissioners Earl Hobbs and Eileen Lovelace, questioned how tribal officials could violate regulations, including requirements for permits and

for an environmental impact study when such action could get a private individual sent to jail or fined.

Clark Taylor, integrated resource officer with the USFS, told Lincoln County Commissioners that four wells were drilled after a special use permit was issued for the ski resort in 1959 and prior to the Hondo Basin being established. No permits were required then. The Mescalero purchased the resort in 1963. The wells were limited to domestic and snowmaking uses, he said.

In 2003, apparently under direction of resort officials, two new wells were drilled without a permit from the USFS

or the SEO, Taylor said.

Ski Apache Manager Vincent Hubbard and former manager Roy Parker could not be reached for comment Tuesday.

But Commissioner Maury St. John said if the original four wells were drilled at Ski Apache during the period when the basin was "open" and no permit was required, the assumption by tribal staff could have been that no permit would be needed for the additional two wells.

Hobbs didn't buy that argument. He

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## BUY THE BUSHEL



MARTY RACINE/STAFF

A customer holds fresh turnips as she shops at Capitan's new outdoor Farmers Market that opened Saturday. The market, sponsored by the Agri-Tourism Advisory Council, drew growers from Capitan to Glencoe. It will take place on Smokey Bear Boulevard next to Capitan Country Emporium from 8-11 a.m. every Saturday through the growing season. In the background are Daryl and Karen Franklin of Hamlin Farms in Hondo.

## Links settlement up for negotiation

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In an attempt to resolve a dispute over a lease of public land for The Links at Sierra Blanca Golf Course, Ruidoso village councilors directed their attorney to negotiate a settlement with representatives of Allhub Investments Inc.

In a closed session Friday, councilors approved a motion by Councilor Greg Cory to direct attorney Marc Prelo to settle the lease terms as indicated by councilors, and upon the settlement, notify the State Auditor of the action and on what premise the council acted. The decision was unanimous

with Councilor James Stoddard recusing himself from the discussion and vote. Stoddard is executive director of The Hubbard Foundation of R.D. and Joan Dale Hubbard, who also own The Links and Ruidoso Downs Race Track and Casino.

The wording of the motion indicates that councilors still are interested in seeing some money from the first 15 years of the lease of public land next to The Hawthorn Suites and the Ruidoso Convention Center. Hubbard exercised a second, 15-year lease that applies 6 percent and 10 percent of gross revenue rent charges for the village. However, the first 15

year lease carried a \$1.5 million threshold. Interpretations differ on whether once that threshold was passed, if a 20 percent charge should have been applied to all gross revenues or just that revenue above the threshold.

The State Auditor, in a special audit of village contracts and finances, concluded the village was owed more than \$1.2 million. An independent auditor hired by the village to review the lease came up with more than \$2 million, including interest on overdue payments.

But a representative of Allhub went over several docu-

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## Spencer estate headed for auction

■ More than \$3 million in art, artifacts, furnishings and jewels up for grabs

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Items from the estate of Ron Morgan, a beneficiary of the late Jacqueline (Jackie) Everts Bancroft Spencer Morgan, is scheduled to be auctioned off in Lubbock Sunday.

The auction, which includes a simultaneous eBay event, gets started at 12 p.m., July 23, at 2801 26th St., seven blocks south of the campus of Texas Tech University. Space is limited to persons wishing to attend with pre-registration and bidder approval required.

According to Steve Snelson of QuickDrop auctioneers, the auction includes more than \$3 million in assets consisting of art, artifacts and furnishings from Europe, Asia and the Americas, as well as jewelry. A 10-foot Buddha sculpture and a temple bell from Thailand that Spencer Morgan acquired for the home she was building in Alto near the Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts, is among the estate items offered. The sale includes other rare artifacts from a Buddhist temple; a collection of Lalique of France, an art collection including Matisse, Cezanne, Warhol, Peter Hurd and an important Picasso; and jewelry made by Henry Dunay, Yurman, Cartier, Gucci, Philip Stein, and Corum H. Stern.

Jackie Spencer Morgan died in May 2003 at the age of 77, leaving behind a \$50 million plus estate. Her fortune came from her 1948 marriage to Dow



An 18th century Amarapura Black Face standing Buddha, planned for the late Jackie Spencer Morgan's unfinished home in Alto, is among items to be sold at auction

Jones heir Hugh Bancroft Jr., the grandson of Wall Street Journal founder and co-owner Charles Barron. Following the death of Bancroft Jr. in 1953, Jacqueline Bancroft married local physician, A.N. Spencer who died in 1999. In 2000, she married Ronnie Lee Morgan, a decade-long friend, whom she had hired to help with the interior design of the Spencer Theater, which she built at a cost of \$22 million in 1997.

Ronnie Morgan became embroiled in a lawsuit with the trustees of Spencer Morgan's estate as well as her children by her first marriage immediately following Jackie Spencer Morgan's death.

A preview of auction items and registration can be obtained at [www.estate-online.com](http://www.estate-online.com). In-person previews of the estate collection to be auctioned in Lubbock also can be arranged July 19-22.

## Fish hatchery at risk

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To intern Kai-t Blue Sky, the Mescalero Fish Hatchery, represents more than a summer job, it's a symbol of Native American self-determination and self-reliance.

When he and fellow college intern Alisha Antonio take time out to mentor high school students under the supervision of hatchery manager Mike Montoya, they see the effort as

encouraging a new generation to safeguard and manage the wildlife and natural resources of the Mescalero Apache Tribe and reservation.

The mud slides of 2000 that followed massive wild fires, burning trees and ground cover on the reservation adjoining Ruidoso, destroyed the 32-year-old national fish hatchery operated by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The operation

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## SURVIVOR MOMENTS

Senator Rod Adair (left, standing), Terri and Johnny Gray (front) and Jim Watkins — all key supporters of HEAL (Help End Abuse for Life) — enjoyed a reception on the loggia at the Spencer Theater before the Survivor 2: Rain benefit Saturday. Following the performance, all were duly impressed by the talent and the level of community support for HEAL and The Nest, soon to open as Lincoln County's domestic violence shelter. One told Steve Duffy he was simply "overwhelmed" by the show. Results of the fundraiser were not available at press time, but Duffy reported that the show achieved its mission: Tickets were sold out, and the concert inspired many additional contributions. More than 23 singers and two dance companies gave outstanding performances based on music that spoke to the spirit of surviving domestic violence and making a fresh start. The audience was also made aware that anyone — even the most educated and successful person — can be a victim of abuse in the home. They also learned that Lincoln County has the highest rate of domestic violence in New Mexico.

After delivering one of the most notable performances of the evening, Sawyer Ward, right, celebrated the moment with the rest of the Survivor 2 cast and Spencer Theater patrons in the crystal lobby. The evening inspired a sense of joy and strength in everyone there, including the performers.

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## Jim Baca to hold 'save the mountain' nonpartisan meeting in Ruidoso Friday

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**THE LAKE HOUSE**  
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COMING SOON!!!  
**MONSTER HOUSE**

future of state trust land on Moon Mountain are invited to meet at 6 p.m. Friday in Village Hall with former New Mexico public lands commissioner Jim Baca.

Baca, a Democrat, is running for the office he held twice before against incumbent Commissioner Patrick Lyons, a

Republican. But the meeting is billed as a nonpartisan session aimed at discussing ways of saving the mountain from development.

Baca says that if elected, he will seek a state constitutional amendment not just for Moon Mountain, but for other properties that residents of various

communities think should not be exploited.

The amendment would allow land to be removed from the trust and given to communities.

Property owners and other supporters of keeping Moon Mountain in a more natural state met with an attorney and are forming a nonprofit organization.

Any money collected would be used either toward the purchase of the land. Or, if that isn't needed, it will be used for maintenance, said organizer Sandy Schiffman.

Although Lyons points to \$500,000 spent on Moon Mountain, the land sat for years with little or no attention. Lyons initiated a tree reduction

project on the mountain, paid for partly with money from outside his department.

Once finished, it wasn't long before someone proposed a land swap for a section of the acreage.

Refreshments will be served. Village Hall is at 313 Cree Meadows Drive.

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## COMMUNITY BRIEFS

## Parks and Rec meeting

The regular meeting of the Village Parks and Recreation Commission is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. July 19 at the administrative center, 313 Cree Meadows Drive. Agenda items include discussion and possible action on Schoolhouse Park tennis court use, review of new cemetery regulations, update on proposed disc golf course, and presentation on Lincoln County Senior Olympic Games program.

## Richardson fundraiser

Chileo's Mexican Restaurant will sponsor a fundraiser luncheon Friday for Gov. Bill Richardson, who is seeking reelection this fall.

The event will run from noon to 1:30 p.m. at 130 U.S. 70 at the "Y."

Chileo's is owned by former Lincoln county commissioner Leo Martinez.

Richardson appointed Martinez' wife, Dr. Cynthia E. Orozco, to the New Mexico Endowment for the Humanities Board earlier this year.

Donations will be taken at the door. Checks may be written to "Richardson for Governor Campaign." Visa, Mastercard, and American Express also will be accepted.

For more information call Orozco at 258-2212.

## Delinquent taxes

A list of taxpayers who owe the state of New Mexico large amounts of delinquent taxes is posted on the State Taxation and Revenue Department Web site at [www.state.nm.us/tax](http://www.state.nm.us/tax)

The list entitled "New Mexico Top Delinquent Taxpayers" is based on liens filed by the department for established liabilities. The list does not include taxpayers who

currently are on an installment agreement or in a formal protest.

The current list consists of 92 delinquent taxpayers on the "New Mexico Top Delinquent Taxpayers" list.

The average tax debt for these taxpayers is \$212,000, and it ranges from \$25,000 to \$1.4 million dollars or a total of over \$19.5 million due the state.

The department staff routinely updates the list. Taxpayers can be removed from the list upon payment of the liability including accrued penalty and interest.

Taxpayers can also enter into an acceptable installment agreement to be removed from the list.




Taxpayers may contact Shannon Baxter, Albuquerque District Office Bureau Chief, at (505) 841-6262 to arrange payments or for additional information.

## Housing Authority

The Region VI Housing Authority meeting is at 10 a.m. July 22 at the Housing Authority, 106 E. Reed, Roswell. Comments from audience are welcome but limited to five minutes. For more information call 622-0881, Ext. 202 from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Mon.-Fri.

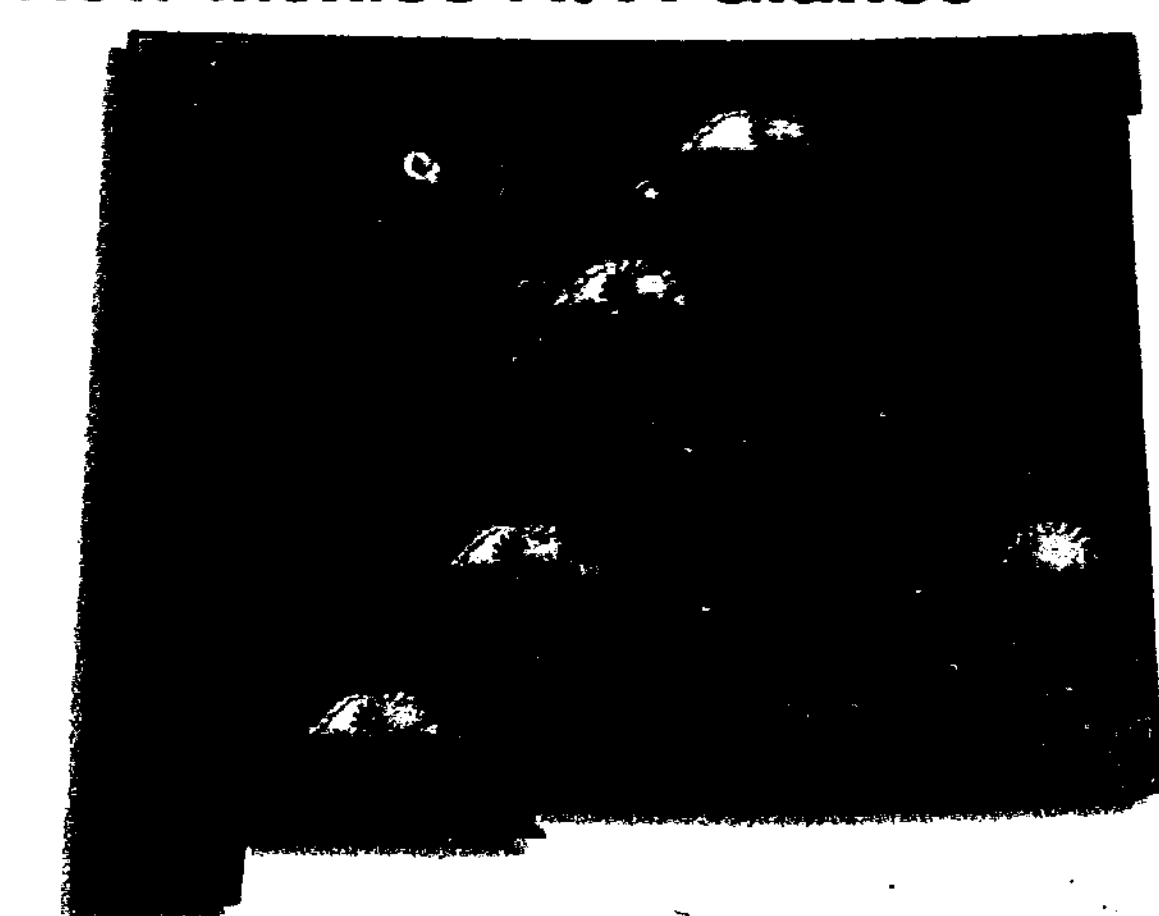
## Today's Weather

## Local 3-Day Forecast





Today	Tomorrow	Day After
		
<b>84/55</b>	<b>84/54</b>	<b>82/54</b>
Plenty of sun. Highs in the mid 80s and lows in the mid 50s.	Slight chance of a thunderstorm.	Scattered thunderstorms possible.
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## New Mexico At A Glance



## Moon Phases

	
Last Jul 17	New Jul 25
	
First Aug 2	Full Aug 9

## UV Index

Wed 7/19	Extreme
Thu 7/20	Extreme
Fri 7/21	Extreme

The UV Index is measured on a 0-11 number scale, with a higher UV Index showing the need for greater skin protection. 0 = No protection needed, 11 = Extreme protection needed.

## Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond	City	Hi	Lo	Cond	City	Hi	Lo	Cond
Alamogordo	100	73	mst sunny	Grants	90	55	t-storm	Santa Fe	87	60	pt sunny
Albuquerque	96	74	mst sunny	Guymon, OK	103	70	sunny	Santa Rosa	98	69	mst sunny
Carlsbad	103	70	sunny	Hobbs	101	72	sunny	Silver City	90	65	mst sunny
Chama	78	50	t-storm	Las Cruces	97	74	mst sunny	Socorro	95	68	mst sunny
Clovis	99	69	sunny	Las Vegas	88	58	pt sunny	St. Johns, AZ	94	66	t-storm
Deming	99	71	mst sunny	Lordsburg	99	71	mst sunny	Taos	89	56	t-storm
El Paso, TX	97	75	mst sunny	Lubbock, TX	101	71	sunny	Trinidad, CO	93	63	t-storm
Espanola	90	65	mst sunny	Odessa, TX	103	75	sunny	Truth or Consq.	97	70	mst sunny
Farmington	93	60	t-storm	Raton	93	58	pt sunny	Tucson, AZ	100	79	t-storm
Gallup	87	56	t-storm	Roswell	101	71	sunny	Tucumcari	98	66	mst sunny

## National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond	City	Hi	Lo	Cond	City	Hi	Lo	Cond
Atlanta	94	71	pt sunny	Houston	89	74	t-storm	Phoenix	108	88	t-storm
Boston	79	67	mst sunny	Los Angeles	82	68	pt sunny	San Francisco	72	58	pt sunny
Chicago	87	75	t-storm	Miami	85	79	t-storm	Seattle	76	57	mst sunny
Dallas	102	80	mst sunny	Minneapolis	87	71	t-storm	St. Louis	98	79	pt sunny
Denver	96	66	pt sunny	New York	88	70	rain	Washington, DC	85	72	t-storm

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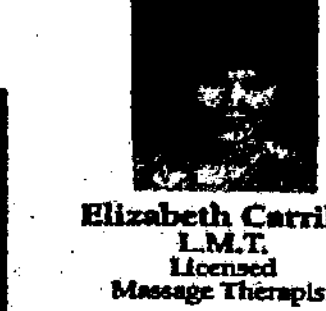
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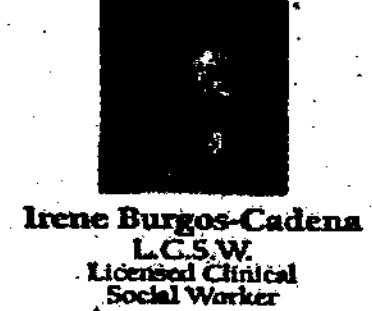


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# Trash bash headed for Billy's byway Museum offers 'free day'

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The legendary trailway along which outlaws and pioneers and people indigenous to the area have traversed in Lincoln County, otherwise known as the Billy the Kid National Scenic Byway, is the subject of focus July 22 during a Big Byway Trash Bash sponsored by the New Mexico Department of Tourism.

Saturday, persons interested in participating in the cleanup effort are invited to gather at the Capitan School parking lot at 8 a.m. where supplies and instructions are to be handed out as well as event T-shirts, said Laurie Frantz, manager of the state's scenic byway program.

"Our purpose is to beautify New Mexico's byways and to get people more interested and aware of the byways in their neighborhood," said Frantz. "The Billy The Kid Byway is the first of a series of events planned on our 26 byways."

Frantz said groups and individuals are encouraged to turn out and show their civic pride in all communities and features located along the byway, including the Hubbard

Museum of the American West, Ruidoso Downs Racetrack, Ski Apache, Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts, Smokey Bear Historical State Park and gravesite, Lincoln State Monument, the Hurd Museum and Benson Art Gallery and the San Patricio Berry Farm.

Heading up the local byway effort are members of the seven clubs that constitute the Lincoln County 4H, coordinated by President Matthew Omness; volunteers from Lincoln State Monument, and volunteers affiliated with the Billy The Kid Center and Byway Committee.

"This is an important event and we are happy to be chosen as the first byway in the cleanup series," said Bill Hirschfeld, BTK committee chairman and a member of the New Mexico Tourism Commission. "We'd like to see a good turn out and a successful event."

Event organizers said lunch will be provided for Trash Bash participants at the conclusion of the event, as donated by Wal-Mart and other local merchants.

The BTK Big Byway Trash Bash is funded partially through a grant from the



Photograph of the larger than life personality for which the Billy the Kid National Scenic Byway is named.

Federal Highway Administration and is a joint effort of NMDOT's Clean and Beautiful and Scenic Byways programs

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Taxpayers of Ruidoso Downs can reap the benefits of a city-owned museum with a limited waiver of admission fees to the Hubbard Museum of the American West.

Now through Sept. 30, residents of the Downs can access the museum free of charge on Sundays when they show proof of residency such as receipt of a water bill.

"In presenting this idea to the city council what we wanted to do was help instill a sense of ownership in the facility among those who we exist to serve," Museum Director Jay Smith said. "We felt that a 'free day' would be a positive step toward ensuring that the museum build a solid, ongoing connection with its home community."

Smith said the idea for a free day first surfaced during town

hall meetings held in the spring as museum staff began collecting information for development of a long-range plan for the museum. The idea was then passed along to Ruidoso Downs Mayor Bob Miller, members of the city council, and to John Waters, city administrator.

"Basically it was felt that the museum should find a way to give back to those who support us through their taxes," Smith said.

Initially a pilot program, free day may become a year-round benefit for Ruidoso Downs residents.

The Hubbard Museum of the American West, founded in 1992 by R.D. and Joan Dale Hubbard and gifted to the city in the fall of 2005, is located at 841 Hwy. 70 West. It is open 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday through Sunday. For more information log on to: [www.hubbardmuseum.org](http://www.hubbardmuseum.org) or call 378-4142.

## Communities awaiting word on new judgeships

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It's still too early to tell if efforts to secure a resident federal district judge for the communities of southeast New Mexico is a go.

This week, Hubert Quintana, executive director of the Council of Governments/Southeastern New Mexico Economic Development Department, said, "We understand that two new federal judges have been approved for the state but who they are and where they will be located is still up in the air."

Quintana said it will take another 18 months for the new judges to be named and to go through the nomination and approval process in Washington, but said he is hopeful.

"This is something that has

to happen here so we are really hoping that one judge will be appointed to serve our area," Quintana said Tuesday from his office in Roswell.

Working with business leaders in the area, in January, Quintana helped organize communities in southeast New Mexico toward a common goal of securing federal funding for a resident federal district judge.

The communities of Ruidoso, Ruidoso Downs, Roswell, Artesia, Lovington, Hope, Alamogordo, Hagerman, Dexter, Carlsbad and the Eddy County Board of Commissioners each passed a joint resolution citing the accessibility of a federal district judge as "being of great importance to an area that is experiencing unprecedented economic growth."

"It is an unfortunate expense for the residents of southeastern New Mexico to have to trav-

el to Albuquerque or someplace else to take care of business," John Waters, Ruidoso Downs city manager, said.

"Roswell is home to one of four federal courthouses in the state but is the only one that does not have a resident Federal District Judge," the municipalities argued.

Waters said letters signed by officials with each community lobbying for a federal judge in southeast New Mexico, as well as copies of the municipal resolutions, were sent to U.S. Senator Pete Domenici R-NM and to U.S. Senator Jeff Bingaman D-NM in late January.

Domenici, in May, introduced an amendment to the Comprehensive Immigration Reform Act (S.2611) to add new federal district judgeships positions for southwest border states, which includes New

and the Department of Transportation. For more information call Frantz at 505-827-8428.

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John Waters  
Ruidoso Downs City Manager

Mexico, that he said are "already increasingly overwhelmed with immigration related caseloads."

The Domenici amendment was co-sponsored by Senator Jon Kyl of Arizona and Texas Senators Kay Bailey Hutchison and John Cornyn.

Chief Judge Martha Vazquez of the U.S. District Court for New Mexico also wrote a letter endorsing the Domenici amendment.

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### OUR OPINION

## Downs stakes out its regional role

City's goals should be different than Ruidoso's

**A**s Ruidoso struggles to retain its mountain village charm, its neighbor to the east is pursuing flat-out corporate growth.

Ruidoso Downs, a high-traffic corridor city linked by an expanded Highway 70, is planning for, even embracing, an economic growth pattern that is likely to dramatically alter the commercial and residential landscape.

Wal-Mart was merely the first of what we can expect in the way of national chains and the parking lot sprawl they tend to generate. Forthcoming are a La Quinta next to Denny's Diner and the Avalon commercial/townhome complex going up across from Wal-Mart. The names of chain restaurants have been run through the rumor mill.

It might not all be pretty, except on the tax rolls, but this appears to be the new mission

of the Downs — as a brand-name shopping and lodging center and as a residential hub for the area's workforce.

This could prove beneficial for Ruidoso. While the Downs looks outward, courting national interest, the village has been turning within, attempting to define its aesthetic regarding quality of life issues: the establishment of hiking and biking trails, preservation of Moon Mountain, a pedestrian-oriented Midtown, a riverwalk and community center, the development of Wingfield Park, architectural standards and a sensible and sensitive growth policy.

This will allow the village to retain its uniqueness as a center for the arts and locally owned shops and restaurants.

In the end, both municipalities can prosper, each fulfilling its role and qualifying its character in the regional matrix.

## A license to say whatever you want

**S**ome New Mexicans decorate their vehicles with what the state laughingly calls "prestige plates." For an extra 15 bucks you can honor your cat, PLUFFY, describe your personality, IMWILD, or boast your own name, JACKO1.

These are commonly referred to as "vanity plates" and the purpose is "LOOK-TIME." This whole idea of vanity plates is cheesy, of course, and I should know. I once had one. You'll never, ever be told what it said.

Vanity plates are common. So are other variations of run of the mill license plates. Who hasn't been passed at 85 mph by an SUV whose plate announces the driver is a member of the State Legislature? For some, speed laws are merely a suggestion.

There are several variations of plates for military veterans, the drivers thereby getting the opportunity to receive the honor they deserve. War veterans also are afforded the right to listen to Rush Limbaugh and even admit it in public. In the history of auto transportation, there is not a single reported instance of a guy with military plates listening to a Dixie Chicks song all the way through.

What I didn't know about license plates, until recently, is that in addition to the individual specialty plates we can all buy, you can arrange for the state to manufacture a plate supporting your cause.

Just how one gets the state to smile benevolently on your particular area of interest is a mystery, but I suspect it involves lobbyists, late night dinners, ample wine, and suitcases full of cash.

Shame on me. My friends at Animal Protection of New Mexico were the ones who persuaded the state to come out with their own specialty plate, and the animal rights folks wouldn't be involved in such shenanigans.

Brand new at your local MVD office is a plate for pet lovers. Its slogan is "Don't Litter, Spay and Neuter." Don't litter. Get it? Took me awhile. So what you do, you pay \$37 for this plate and \$25 of that goes to your county to fund spay and neuter programs. Pretty good deal.

But what about other causes, and how do they go about getting their own New Mexico specialty plates?

**SNICKER** — Tooth Decay Is Not Okay! A license plate recognizing the governor's craving for Super-Sized Snicker Bars and its deleterious effect on the

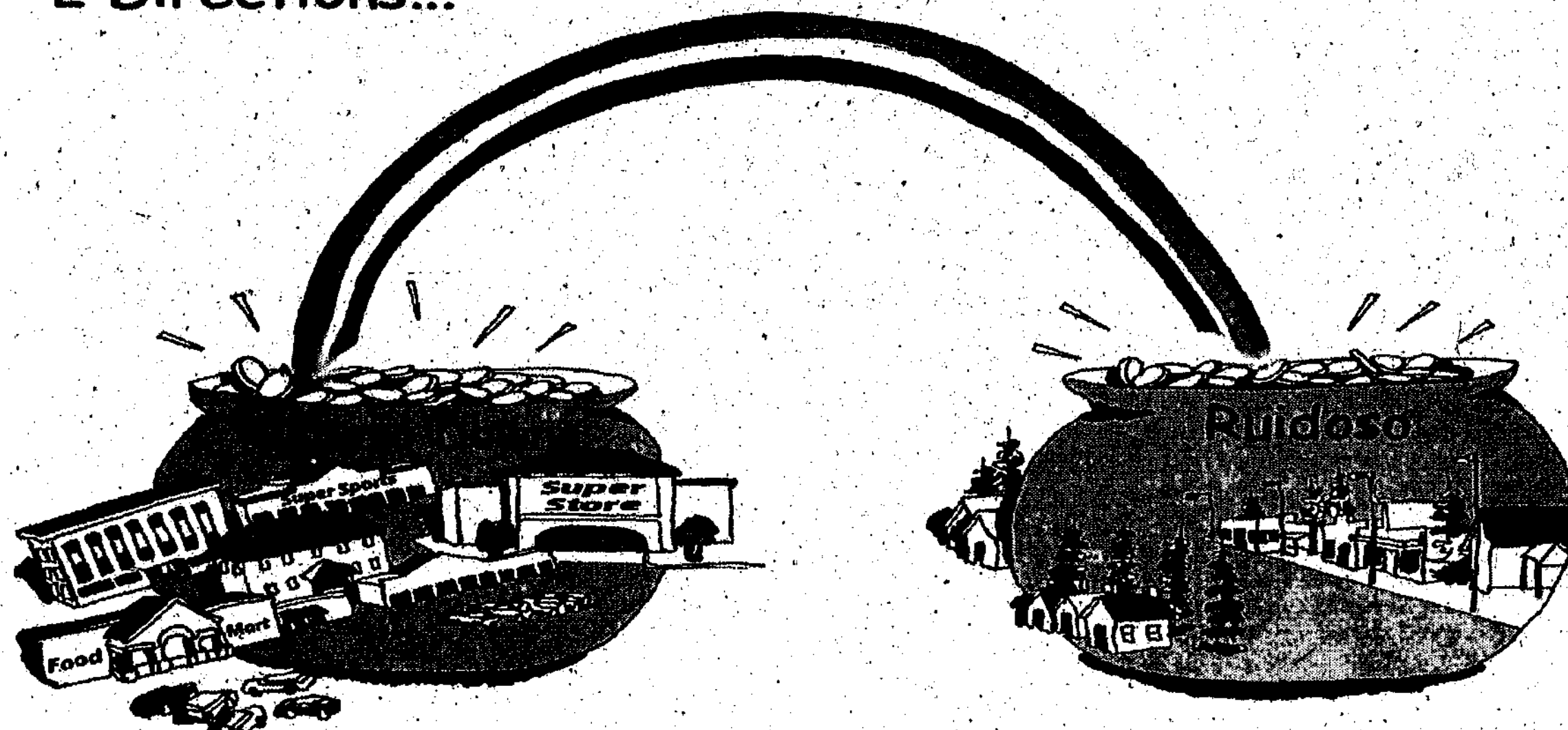
dental health of thousands of New Mexico kids. Two dollars will go to the Dental Association to promote flossing, \$23 to the Bill Richardson For President Campaign.

**THIRSTY** — Welcome To The Parched State! This plate will focus attention on the drought that grips New Mexico and shows no sign of abating. Soon, the only water in the Land of Enchantment will be that sold by supermarkets. The fee will be used to finance yet another inconclusive study about how to solve the problem.

And, of course, my favorite: **CROAKED** — He Fought His Bloody Best. This plate is a tribute to New Mexico fighting cocks who have given their all so that rural families starved for entertainment can drug them, strap blades on them, and watch them claw one another to death. This plate will cost \$500, all proceeds going into a lobbying fund to match that of the cockfighting lobby. It may be the only answer. Why else would our legislators allow New Mexico to be one of two states still allowing this brutality?

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### YOUR OPINION

## Survivor 2 a resounding success

To the editor:

THE COMBINATION OF EFFORTS by Steve Duffy and the entire technical staff at the Spencer Theater produced a roaring success with Survivor 2, titled "Rain."

It was a benefit for our local domestic violence shelter, The Nest, which is the creation of HEAL, Inc. (Help End Abuse for Life).

If you missed this wonderful show I can only tell you that you *must* promise yourself to go next year. The amazing amateur talent in this county gives one pause. Several performers have been performing at local karaoke nights and with local bands around town for a long time.

Others have had very little performing experience but pulled it off beautifully. Local names who nearly brought the house down include Sawyer Ward's rendition of Tina Turner's "I Can't Stand the Rain." Wow!

Another performer, Ile Boren, has been performing in Ruidoso for a number years and her performance of Janice

Ian's "His Hands" was touching and beautifully presented. When Mike Julian finished his Josh Groban song "Remember When it Rained" the audience responded with thunderous applause and the question remains: "Why aren't you on Broadway, Mike?" Sarah Lyle performed "Family Portrait". Its haunting lyrics brought tears to my eyes.

Steve Duffy, the Spencer crew, and all of the volunteers for Survivor 2, deserve a huge "thank you" for their work. Sets, hair, makeup, etc. were the pieces that helped bring it all together. Steve began his production work for Survivor 2 the day after Survivor 1 finished. He selected every piece of music and auditioned every performer throughout the year.

He worked tirelessly to produce our own version of "American Idol" and Simon Cowell would not have been able to say a word about any of the performers. Steve clearly is a gifted man who knows exactly what he wants.

His vision took form Saturday night. Steve has already begun his research for

Survivor 3 and without question it will be as wonderful a performance as the previous 2 have been.

The crew at the Spencer, supervised by Bob Phaup, closed a performance on Tuesday. In a 72-hour period Bob slept six hours so that the Survivor 2 production would meet his professional standards. They spent hours and hours putting the videos and music tracks together in order to be ready for the 3 sound checks on Friday.

If you have never had the occasion to watch this crew at work you can only take my word for it that it was a Herculean effort.

Senators and various representatives from state, county and local agencies were present for this sold out concert. The numbers are not yet in for the funds raised by the program, but they will be substantial.

"Thank you, everyone, for making this the highlight of the year for me. I loved every minute of that evening."

Joel Carothers  
Ruidoso

### WALTER RUBEL

## Richardson has own ways with the North Koreans

**S**ANTA FE — Like most Americans, my perception of North Korean leader Kim Jong Il is something just this side of a cartoon figure.

Cable news channels endlessly feed the perception of a crazed little guy in an Elvis pompadour. Caption writers can't resist the obvious pun that Kim's last name lends itself to.

But, now that North Korea is testing missiles that reportedly have the range to reach our shores, a more sober and realistic assessment is probably in order. And on that front, our state's governor could help.

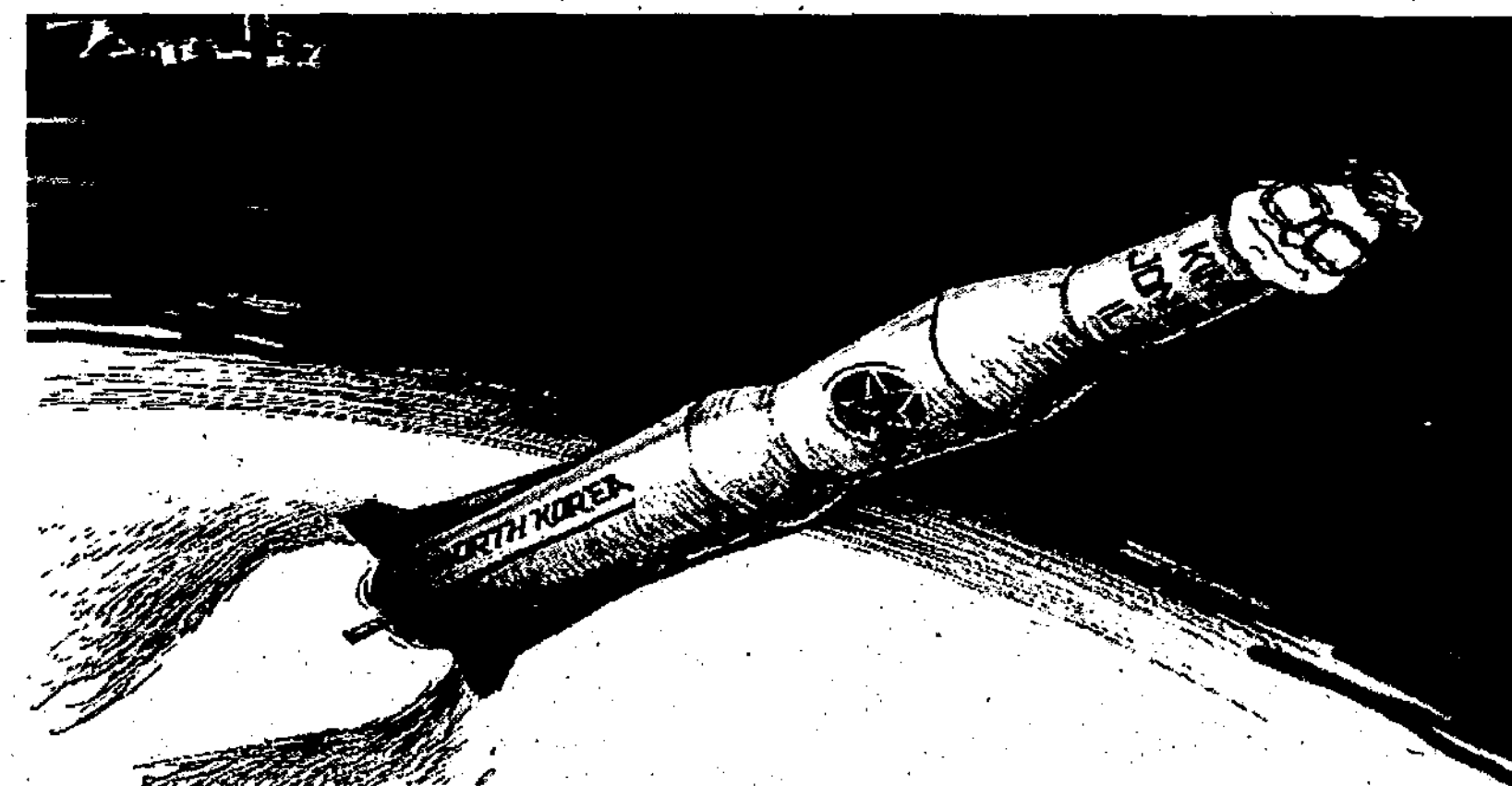
During his stint as a U.S. congressman, and then as U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, Bill Richardson met with and earned the trust of the North Korean leader.

And so, when North Korea went ahead with missile tests last week, "Meet the Press" asked Richardson to appear. The show was pushed back to the wee hours of the morning in New Mexico because of the Wimbledon final, but they were apparently watching in Washington, D.C.

The next day, White House spokesman Tony Snow blasted both Richardson and the Clinton policy toward North Korea.

"Bill Richardson went with flowers and chocolates, and he went with light-water nuclear reactors, and a basketball signed by Michael Jordan and many other inducements for the 'Dear Leader' to try to agree not to develop nuclear weapons, and it failed. We've learned from that mistake," Snow said during a White House briefing.

The basketball was actually from former Secretary of State Madeleine



Albright, Richardson said.

He said he was "puzzled" by Snow's reaction, adding that he was pushing for the same objective — the end of North Korea's nuclear weapons development.

How to reach that objective is where the two sides part. The Bush administration believes in working through six-party talks, which are now stalled. It believes unilateral talks now would reward North Korea for its recent missile test.

Richardson disagrees. "I think we need face-to-face direct talks," he said Wednesday. "That's how you make the North Koreans change their policy."

Richardson must tread lightly here. He is now the governor of New Mexico, and is no longer in a position to help shape U.S. foreign policy. He can not be

seen as undercutting the nation's leaders.

At the same time, Richardson probably has as much knowledge about and experience in dealing with the North Korean regime as anyone in the country. It would be a mistake for the Bush administration to simply ignore that knowledge and experience.

Richardson has not spoken with the president or any of his staff since the Snow comments, but he did have a chance to speak with Bush about North Korea during the president's recent trip to Artesia, said Jon Goldstein, a spokesman for the governor.

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## HATCHERY

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provided rainbow trout in support of tribal recreational fisheries across New Mexico.

The hatchery was reopened in 2002 and in 2004, Montoya, executive director of the Southwest Tribal Fisheries Commission, became manager.

Today, the raceways are filled with trout in various stages of growth, and fry and fingerlings are protected under cover of the nursery building.

But the hatchery faces a new crisis, this time financial.

Montoya, his interns and other supporters are hoping that an auction set for 8 p.m., Aug. 1, at the Inn of the Mountain Gods ballroom will generate enough money to ease the dollar squeeze.

The items to be auctioned are top of the line and include a Hopi vase, a Cuna fishing spear, scrapers and arrowheads, Cree beaded fur leather boots, fully beaded Cheyenne moccasins, Santo Domingo, Zuni and Navajo silver and turquoise necklaces, a Navajo Two Grey Hills blanket, a Pendleton robe, a framed sandstone etching and a 1950s Navajo weaver with cradle.

Explaining the background of the hatchery, Montoya said that several tribal fisheries programs, such as Sandia Pueblo, Isleta Pueblo and Ohkay Owingeh owe much of their success to the trout produced by

the Mescalero National Fish Hatchery pre-2000. Many of those programs suffered when the hatchery was closed by the U.S. F&W, despite some supplemental fish delivered from the Alcheyay-Williams Creek National Fish Hatchery in Arizona.

"Several of the affected tribes lobbied hard in an attempt to restore funding to the Mescalero hatchery, but to no avail," he said. "In 2002, several tribes, pueblos and Indian nations, from New Mexico, Arizona, Colorado and Utah came together to form the Southwest Tribal Fisheries Commission, a non-profit organization made up of representatives from its member tribes."

"The primary goal of the commission was to get the Mescalero fish hatchery back on line and provide fish to meet the needs of its members."

They reopened the hatchery in May 2002 with strong support from the Mescalero Tribe. Renamed the Mescalero Tribal Fish Hatchery, about 900 pounds of trout were delivered to lakes in Mescalero during the first six months. Over the next 18 months, more than 200,000 eggs were hatched and more than 150,000 catchable size trout weighing in excess of 60,000 pounds were delivered to member tribes in New Mexico and Colorado, Montoya said.

But the hatchery didn't operate just for fish production, he said. Two interns from New Mexico State University and four Mescalero high school stu-

dents benefited from on-the-job training that could open up careers for them and opportunities for the tribe, Montoya said.

"We could work anywhere in the United States, but we like this uniting of tribes for common goals," said Blue Sky, who also worked at the hatchery last summer. "It's a pivotal time in history when people come together."

"And a chance to teach high school students," said Antonio. Both interns are working toward degrees in wildlife and fisheries.

"Eventually, the hatchery will be back in Mescalero hands and it will be up to their youths to take over," Blue Sky added.

He and Antonio conducted a seminar at the hatchery for seventh and eighth graders through NMSU's Dream Catcher program, walking them through the one-year process from egg to fry to fingerlings and full-fledged trout, to trophy trout each weighing in at about 6 pounds.

For member tribes, when trout reach about 9 inches, they can be shipped to designated lakes, Blue Sky said, as Antonio and high school student Kelly King-Morgan broadcast food pellets, which are condensed carp meat, into the raceways and the churning mass of trout.

The beneficiary tribes pay for feed costs for rearing the trout and transportation to deliver them to the targeted lake. Operation and maintenance expenses for the hatchery were being absorbed by a

small federal grant at less than 25 percent of the cost of operating the hatchery four years earlier, Montoya said.

"One would think that this would be the perfect partnership, and it probably would be, had the government continued to hold up its end of the bargain," he said. "However, there was no federal contract forthcoming to provide for operation and maintenance during Fiscal Year 2006. The tribes scrambled to find money to meet daily operation expenses. Several tribes, such as the Jicarilla Apache Nation and Southern Ute Indian Tribe, donated money to offset expenses, and the Mescalero Tribe provided substantial support to maintain operations through the end of the fiscal year."

But the long-term goal is for the hatchery to break even with its financial expenses, while continuing to provide a product to the tribes at a price where they can make their own fisheries programs profitable and competitive, Montoya said.

"To that end, many individuals and organizations have donated items to assist in offsetting operational expenses at the hatchery. Those items will be auctioned at the Native American Fish and Wildlife Society's Regional Conference, with the Mescalero Apache Tribe playing host at the Inn of the Mountain Gods Aug. 1-3.

The 50 items to be auctioned include products from Jordon Torres, R.C. Gorman and Harrison Begay. The auction will begin at 8 p.m., Aug. 1, fol-



DIANNE STALLINGS/STAFF

Showing a few items to be auctioned Aug. 1 to help generate dollars for the Mescalero Fish Hatchery are from l-r: high school student Kelly King-Morgan and college interns Kai Blue Sky and Alisha Antonio

lowing a banquet at the Inn's convention center. One hundred percent of the proceeds will go to the hatchery to offset expenses in FY 2007, Montoya said.

Many artisans from New Mexico and Arizona were invited to sell their wares at an arts and crafts fair in conjunction with the conference.

To attend the entire conference, the fee is \$100, however, the banquet, auction and dance with music by Six-Shooter is \$35.

Admission is free for those who want to attend the auction or arts and crafts fair only.

Call Montoya at 505-464-8768 for more information.



Mescalero High School student Kelly King-Morgan watches her special charge, fingerling rainbow trout, in the nursery at the Mescalero Fish Hatchery.

## WELLS

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contended that for Ski Apache staff to proceed with the wells without notifying USFS officials and for a driller to do the work without a permit, the intent appeared to be to circumvent the system under SEO jurisdiction. The approach also indicated to him that the aim was to pump additional water from the two new wells, not for those wells to be supplemental to the other four in producing the already allowed annual amount, Hobbs said.

"They knew they were drilling illegal wells," he said. "They knew they needed permits."

Hernandez said the two wells drilled in 2003 came after the closing of the basin in 1984 and had to be supplemental.

Under questioning by commissioners, Taylor said studies at the Santa Fe Ski Basin a few years ago showed that up to 85 percent of the water used in snowmaking is returned to the aquifer.

Water also is collected by resort officials in a pond for snowmaking and in a second pond designed to keep sediment out of the Ruidoso River, he said.

Sanchez said he developed a good relationship with the current resort management and he is willing to work with Hubbard to correct the situation once. He would not be as accommodating if future violations occurred.

"By going this route, the USFS has some control through the SEO for (the wells) use," Sanchez said. "If they shut down these wells, they could drill on their own land (and as a sovereign nation) we'd have no control or jurisdiction."

Hobbs said he appreciated Sanchez' leadership, but it didn't seem right to reward a violation involving a public asset.

Sanchez pointed out that with meters to monitor under a system yet to be worked out, no more water will be used than the tribe already is allowed at the resort. The number of wells won't change that. Three wells are metered and the other three meters should be installed before the winter snowmaking season.

Frost questioned if recreational use equates to "beneficial use," a requirement under

the SEO, but Taylor said the resort is considered a commercial use. Frost said resort officials also should have abided by the National Environmental Policy Act that requires public notification.

"Why can the Indians get away with it and others can't?" Frost asked.

Sanchez said the Mescalero permit to use forest land for a portion of the resort expires in 2015. He's just begun talks with tribal officials on how to accomplish a smooth transition, he said.

"We will be looking at the history of the permit, the tribe's plans for changes, environmental concerns and use of water," he said. "We're pleased with the current management. It looks like he's here to stay."

Jackie Powell with the coun-

ty's Water Research and Conservation Committee, said the ski resort should share in conservation measures that apply to other residents in drought conditions. "We're all in this together," she said.

San Patricio resident Ken Nosker said the resort is a local economic stimulus and he supported Sanchez' choice.

Commissioners Tom Battin and St. John pointed out that the county has no jurisdiction over the resort, although as a water rights owner, it could file a protest of the requested permit. Sanchez said the USFS already is facing some protests.

"I think Buck Sanchez and his staff are trying to make the best of a situation they didn't create and to gain some control over future use (of the wells)," Battin said.

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#### MORE ON THE RUIDOSO SEWER PLANT

Judging by recent articles in the paper, a new Village position of keeper of the documents needs to be created. First the water consultant contract with John Underwood was questioned, then the state audit team was critical of the document support they received and now the president of the Ruidoso Downs Race Track has to dig through a warehouse to find documents requested by the state auditor. Mr. Rimbo recovered sufficient documents to provide a succinct and comprehensive review of the Links lease and to bolster their position in the ongoing revenue dispute.

Perhaps we should have asked Mr. Rimbo to look for the anticipated flow chart provided with the existing wastewater treatment plant. Then we would be able to determine which administration should have started the process and completed a new plant on a new site and we would not be dealing with a plant operating at 250% of capacity.

I realize that having four Village managers in the same time frame that Jim Hines served the Village does not indicate continuity in leadership. But now we are confronted with a rush to judgement that has the potential of costing the taxpayers 50 million dollars.

Continuing a failed policy is akin to flipping a coin to pick the designated driver after the saloon closes. If the selected driver is in an accident, are you guilty of complicity?

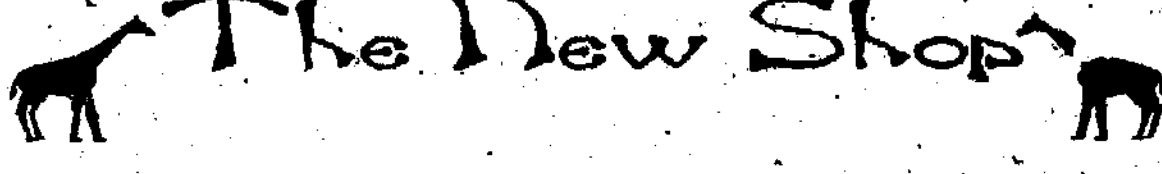
In our current form of government we do not mirror the state or national level by having a separate legislative and executive system. Yet we do in that the Mayor has no vote except in an even poll when they are called on to provide a majority. This by extension means the Council has the sole authority to pass on revenue or expenditure matters. In light of this reality the Councils should not cede their responsibility to have our money spent wisely to the Joint Use Board. Yes JUB members you need to build a consensus in your respective Councils prior to making commitments in their names.

If you agree with the writer and feel that entire wastewater disposal issue needs to be revisited and a less expensive route be found drop by our office at 102 Whitlock Drive and pick up a postcard to mail to the Village indicating your support for responsible fiscal policy.

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"With the approaching renewal of the special use permit, maybe many issues can be resolved."

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



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## ATTENDANCE PERFECTION



COURTESY

The Ruidoso School Board this month was awarded the Region VII Attendance Award for 2006. The award is given by the New Mexico School Boards Association in recognition of Board attendance and participation in conferences and workshops. Pictured, l-r: Rafael Salas, Kirk Taylor, Susan Lutterman, Frank Sayner, Danny Sisson.

## Christian academy opens enrollment

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**S**ierra Blanca Christian Academy, the only private school operating in the Ruidoso area, currently is holding open registration.

Persons wishing to enroll their children in the Academy can stop by the school offices, located inside the lower level of First Baptist Church at 270 Country Club Dr., anytime between the hours of 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The 2006-07 school year begins Aug. 16 with a parent orientation scheduled for 7 p.m. tomorrow.

John Marshall, SBCA principal, said the school is focusing

on grades K-6 this academic year. School hours are 8:30 a.m. to 2:50 p.m. following the public school schedule.

Registration to SBCA is \$200 per child enrolled, per year. Tuition for half-day kindergarten is \$2,000 or \$3,650 for full day instruction. Tuition for grades 1-6 is \$3,600 per student.

A 10-part payment schedule is available to parents seeking a private education for their children as well as discounts for families enrolling more than one child at SBCA.

Full time pastors and missionaries with eligible children receive a 25 percent family discount.

More than 75 volunteers assist with the non-denomina-

tional school's programming throughout the year as well as certified teachers and administrators. Electives offered are weekly classes in Spanish, art, music, drama, physical education and computer awareness skills.

The school was founded in 2004 by First Baptist Church, Calvary Chapel, and the Angus Church of the Nazarene as an "alternative church."

"We're here to offer the community a choice in education and to serve the Christian community with more of a Biblical world view," said Devin Marshall, a school programmer.

"Our classrooms are smaller and we have a smaller student-teacher ratio. Therefore, the

**"We're here to offer the community a choice in education and to serve the Christian community with more of a Biblical world view."**

Devin Marshall  
Volunteer/programmer

child gets more individual ized attention."

For more information about Sierra Blanca Christian Academy interested persons can call 630-0144 or email Marshall at dmarshall1@charter.net

## EDUCATION NEWS

### Planning retreat

A strategic planning retreat for members of the ENMU-Ruidoso College Board and Community Advisory Council is scheduled for 9 a.m. to noon today at the college campus. The half day retreat agenda will include an overview of the annual college strategic planning process, identification of initiatives and establishing goals for the next two years.

ENMU-Ruidoso is located at 720 Sudderth Dr.

### Online learning

**GRAND RAPIDS, MI** - As the new school year approaches, teachers and homeschooling parents begin an annual rite: searching for ways to make this academic year even more fruitful than the last one.

The Academic Leagues, found at [www.academicleagues.com](http://www.academicleagues.com), provides the perfect solution for students: a series of fun and challenging math, science, and social studies competitions that a student can take from the comfort of his classroom or home.

Participants in these contests study free online sample tests, compete in three actual contests throughout the school year, watch their scores (and the scores of their competitors) appear online in real time on the Academic Leagues' web site, and attempt to win great awards! Students in second through twelfth grades are eligible to enter the Academic Leagues' Online Math League, while third through eighth grade students are eligible to enter the Online Science League and the Online Social Studies League.

### Film degree

**PORTALES** - Eastern New Mexico University will offer a

bachelor degree in film for the first time this fall. Called the Digital Cinema Arts Degree, the new bachelor's degree is a cooperative effort between Eastern's Departments of Art, Music, Theatre and Dance, and Communicative Arts and Sciences.

It is believed to be the first bachelor film degree offered among New Mexico's public universities.

For more information, call Erf at 505-562-2652, or e-mail [greg.erf@enmu.edu](mailto:greg.erf@enmu.edu).

### Reunions set

• The Ruidoso High School Class of 1976 is searching for classmates. A 30-year reunion for the RHS class of 1976 is set for Aug. 4-6.

Persons with information or addresses on missing classmates are encouraged to contact organizers at [coe@valornet.com](mailto:coe@valornet.com) or [ritter@valornet.com](mailto:ritter@valornet.com) or 258-5552.

• A joint reunion for the Ruidoso High School classes of 1948 through 1970 is scheduled for July 21-22 at RHS. Volunteers to help with the event are being sought, as are the addresses of missing classmates.

For more information call 257-7804 or 257-9733.

• Graduates of the Ruidoso High School class of 1991 currently are being sought. A 15-year reunion is planned here for July 21-23.

For more information call Becky (Van Winkle) Ewing at 257-1594 or write [booksetc@zianet.com](mailto:booksetc@zianet.com).

### Education news

Student and/or school related news can be submitted to the *Ruidoso News*, attention Deanna Cheney, at 104 Park Ave. or at [dchene@ruidosonews.com](mailto:dchene@ruidosonews.com)

## Mescalero resident prepares for bar exam

**MESCALERO** - A celebratory reception was held Sunday in honor of Nelva L. Cervantes, 25, of Mescalero who, on May 13, received her Juris Doctorate from the University of Oklahoma College of Law.

Cervantes is the daughter of Cornel Cervantes and Renae Rice of Mescalero. She was graduated from Ruidoso High School in 1998 and went on to attend Yale University in New Haven, CT. She received her Bachelor's Degree in English and continued her education at the University of Oklahoma Law School in Norman, Oklahoma.

She was the recipient of the Justice Harry L.S. Halley Scholarship, established by Matilda Rummage in memory of her father, Harry L.S. Halley, a retired Oklahoma Supreme Court Justice. The scholarship is awarded to a first year student who has a high LSAT score, outstanding undergraduate academic and non-curricular performance; and who has an interest in par-

ticipating in the political process. The recipient must also maintain a 6.5 GPA.

Cervantes is a member of the American Indian Law Review, the only Law Journal in the Nation specializing exclusively in Federal Indian Law. She received several awards which included a certificate in Federal Indian Law from the American Indian Law and Policy Center.

She received two American Indian Juris Prudence Awards for academic achievement and was on the Deans Honor Roll. Her plans are to attend the University of Arizona to get her LLM and/or as a J.D. on the forefront of International Indigenous People rights and someday plans to return to Mescalero and represent the tribe.

Family and friends in attendance at this weekend's reception said they "Are very proud of Nelva and send her their best wishes" as she returns to Oklahoma to work on her Bar exam.



Nelva Cervantes is a member of the American Indian Law Review and this month will leave for Oklahoma where she will study for the bar exam

## Grad program offered

Lesley University, a leader in teacher education for nearly 100 years, will begin offering graduate education programs at Ruidoso in August.

The university offers graduate programs at 150 sites in 23 states and across the country through online programs and is one of the largest providers of Master's level professional development for classroom teachers in the nation. Lesley has been offering classes in New Mexico since 1983.

Lesley's programs take advantage of a weekend delivery cohort model, incorporating research-based approaches to effective professional development and graduate study. Students attend classes in their home communities with the same group of colleagues from the beginning of their degree to its completion. Each

3-credit course is scheduled around two weekends, separated by two to four weeks. Course content and classroom hours are equivalent to Lesley's on-campus offerings in Massachusetts.

Ruidoso High School will be host to Lesley University's M.Ed. program with a specialization in Technology in Education. The first class will be held the weekend of Aug. 18 and will continue for one weekend a month for 22 consecutive months. So far, 17 local teachers and professionals have signed up for the program, but enrollment is still open. Participants must have their Bachelor's Degree, but are not required to have a teaching certificate.

For more information contact Linda Hamilton, at 257-1417 or 866-600-7440.

## NMSU part of first launch

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Experiments from New Mexico State University will be among those items to be launched into space next month from New Mexico's new Southwest Regional Spaceport.

The launch, a private payload managed by UP Aerospace Inc., a Unionville, Connecticut-based company, is the first scheduled at the spaceport and will take off Aug. 14.

Jerry Larson, UP Aerospace president, said the suborbital flight will carry 11 payloads, including one that will test instruments for a satellite

being developed by students, faculty and staff members in the NMSU College of engineering.

The NMSU payload will include a flight computer, Earth sensor, magnetic field meter and other instruments that are part of a small satellite the university is developing for a competition sponsored by the Air Force.

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# Youth corps seeks partnership with Village, funding



A bridge is constructed recently on Rio Bonito land behind historic Lincoln by members of EcoServants/Sierra Blanca Service Corps

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They already built 4,000 feet of hiking trails and three foot bridges in the Lincoln National Forest and on Bureau of Land Management property, but members of the Sierra Blanca Service Corps are looking for more projects.

Executive Director Stephen Carter told Ruidoso village councilors last week he would like to send a crew from the nonprofit group to the village Parks and Recreation Department to help relieve the overworked employees, while continuing to do projects with the U.S. Forest Service and completing some volunteer jobs.

This week, they are scheduled to be in the Pine Lodge area of the Capitan Mountain Wilderness clearing and constructing more hiking trails in that rugged terrain in cooperation with the Forest Service.

Mayor L. Ray Nunley told Carter to talk to Parks Director Rifle Salas and he can bring requests for any funding. "We must consider the liability," he added.

Councilor Ron Hardeman, who said he sits on service corps board, would like to see the young people involved in

village projects.

Carter said work already in progress includes rehabilitation of the stables at historic Fort Stanton in coordination with the Fort Stanton Development Commission and Cornerstones Community Partnerships, restoration in Fort Stanton Cave and construction of a pavilion in the historic settlement of Lincoln.

His charges also are putting together a program called History to Science, which includes interviews with locals about the history of the area, which otherwise, might be lost. He also envisions community gardens and recycling programs.

"We need funding," Carter said. "We're O.K. now, but it will be tougher next year when there are more of us."

In a form letter to a "community partner" handed out at the meeting, Carter wrote that the corps was awarded \$33,875 through the Forest Service and will be reimbursed \$77,025 through the New Mexico Youth Conservation Corps.

"We currently are providing jobs, valuable education, practical skills and workforce readiness to over 20 local young people," he wrote.

"Our corps members are building a walking trail and

three bridges across the Rio Bonito behind historic Lincoln, restoring the Rio Bonito Petroglyph Trail, while working on the restoration and protection of Fort Stanton Cave for the (BLM)."

Eco-Servants, part of the service corps, has been a partner of the BLM-Roswell Field Office since 2000, providing education and management projects on public lands with local youth, schools and community organizations, he wrote.

"We are developing new programs through AmeriCorps, the New Mexico Forum for Youth in Community and the New Mexico Youth Conservation Corps," Carter wrote.

Over the past year, Eco-Servants/SBSC received \$10,000 from the McCune Charitable Foundation, \$9,000 from the Daniels Fund and \$500 from the Ruidoso

**"We currently are providing jobs, valuable education, practical skills and workforce readiness to over 20 local young people."**

Stephen Carter  
SBSC

Optimist Club for start-up costs and the 2006 National and Global Youth Service Day/Earth Day events in April.

To cover next year, the group will need to raise \$15,000 for staff, \$5,000 for office and supplies, \$6,000 for gear and a vehicle fund and \$4,000 for volunteer events.

Contributions are tax-free. To donate, or to suggest a project, interested persons can call Carter at 505-808-1204 or P.O. Box 1723, Ruidoso, NM.

## Dutiful Dalmation moved to new fire house

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Fans of Baby, the Dalmation adopted from the Humane Society of Lincoln County animals shelter to be the Ruidoso Fire Department's mascot, can visit her at Station number three in Upper Canyon.

Assistant Fire Chief Harlan Vincent said she was moved to the quieter location to reduce the stress of high traffic - vehicular and pedestrian - by the dog's fenced enclosure.

"Baby got very protective, aggressive," he said. "There is so much traffic and activity, I decided to move her to station three where it's quieter. The (fire fighter) there is by himself and can give her more attention. She's sleeping inside at night now."

Previously, she slept outside

in her dog house partly paid for with donations. But on a recent evening with a lightning and thunder storm, she became frightened, climbed on top of the structure and tried to breach the fence, becoming hung up on her collar. Someone came to her rescue, but she reacted aggressively out of fear and confusion, Vincent said.

Another problem is that baby bonded strongly with fire fighter Justin Shaw, he said.

"When he would leave, she had separation anxiety," he said. "She cried while he was

gone. Our secretary would bring her inside the office, but when someone from the public walked in, she had to put Baby outside (because of her protective behavior)."

"She needs someone with dog training background, who could help work on the aggression and anxiety. She needs more socialization."

Hearing about the problem, Humane Society shelter manager Katherine Stone found a trainer who will volunteer some hours to work with Baby and will offer some hints that can be

used between sessions.

Vincent said baby is doing well physically since her adoption.

"She gained 15 pounds and looks really good," he said. "She has a little vest and the guys take her up to midtown and walk her around just for the exposure to people."

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# Pending EMS audit to cover three years; paid for by agency budget

■ 90-day interim lease for \$600,000 signed with county until contract can be finalized

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An audit of the emergency medical services operation in Ruidoso under the management of the Lincoln County Medical Center will cover 2003 through 2006 as originally designated, village councilors decided.

## Rebstock wants four years

Councilor Michele Rebstock, who pushed for the audit because of the lack of financial

data available to the council, said last week that auditors with the firm of Fierro & Fierro wanted to stretch the work to cover the entire four fiscal years instead of three.

Councilor Angel Shaw asked how much more money would be involved, and that her impression is Fierro officials "always are asking for more and more and more."

Councilor Ron Hardeman said if Fierro & Fierro, based in Las Cruces, is charging \$15,000 for a full audit of three years, the charge for four probably would be \$20,000.

The money would come out of the village's EMS budget, said Village Manager Lorri McKnight.

"The more money spent here, the less will be available to buy a new ambulance or car," Councilor Greg Cory said.

## No deal, keep it three

Mayor L. Ray Nunley suggested trying to negotiate a better price, but Cory said he preferred to keep the contract at the specified years, although two were not covered by a contract with the hospital, which is managed by Presbyterian Healthcare Services.

The Lincoln County Commission recently selected the hospital to run the county ambulance service and the village tentatively has agreed to contract through the county for service at no fee to the village,

in exchange for its assets at the hospital, which include a building on county land and some ambulances.

"I prefer to keep it at three years, which three I don't care," Cory said.

"If we're sticking to three years, I prefer the three previously designated," Rebstock

said.

The audit will cover the fiscal years of 2003-04, 2004-05 and 2005-06. "I think we can tell the auditing company the years we want," said Councilor James Stoddard.

Shaw added, "I think we were pretty clear."

## Interim lease approved

In a related issue, the council approved an interim lease for the county of \$600,000 in village ambulances, other equipment and a building built on county land at the hospital to cover 90 days until a final contract is worked out.

One ambulance will be maintained for the Ruidoso Fire Department at Station II

"The more money spent here, the less will be available to buy a new ambulance or car."

Greg Cory  
Councilor

on White Mountain Drive, because that entity often is the first responder at an incident or accident, and crews are sufficiently trained.

Rebstock said Fire Chief Virgil Reynolds needs a new vehicle and one of the cars on the inventory list, possibly should be kept for him.



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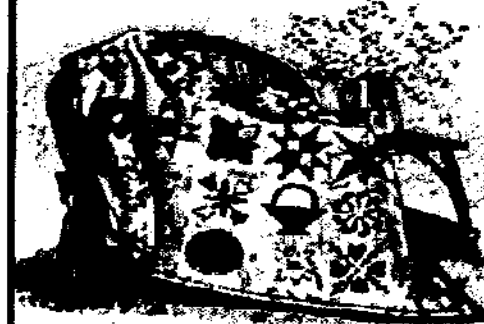
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## Subdivision rule vote will wait until August agenda

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A vote on revamped subdivision rules won't happen until August, Lincoln County commissioners decided Tuesday after about three hours of review and suggestions.

Most of the changes already were in line for inclusion, but County Attorney Alan Morel wanted to ensure he nailed the wording best reflecting the intent of commissioners.

"We went over the changes to get commission consensus," said County Planner Curt Temple. "It will be on the agenda of the Aug. 15 meeting. There was one change commissioners wanted and that stemmed from the Eagle Crest subdivision situation."

Commissioners wanted the authority to require a developer to drill a well on property in determining adequate water supply for a development.

In the Eagle Crest case, production reports from nearby wells were used, but no well was drilled on the land to be developed.

Temple said the suggested wording will give commissioners latitude to accept data from other wells, if they are close enough. No specific distance limit was included, but they could insist on an on-site well.

In connection with Eagle Crest, a proposed 14-lot subdivision 15 miles north of Ruidoso, commissioners also voted to reconsider that application.

They then approved a motion to table the application pending a more comprehensive water availability report.

### Water reliability

Commissioner Tom Battin, elected from the Ruidoso area, said even with a well drilled on-site, commissioners will want to see data from other wells in the area in determining the reliability of the water supply.

"I think we made progress toward water issues and conservation," he said, adding that hydrological information will be scrutinized in more detail than before.

"There are some indications that the State Engineer's Office will no longer be giving opinions on subdivisions and water supplies," Battin said.

In anticipation of that day, commissioners must be prepared to step in using an independent hydrologist and/or engineer in evaluating some subdivisions, he said.

The proposed revision in rules lays out when community water systems would be required.

It would mandate advanced wastewater treatment systems for lots of less than two acres.

The special hearing

Tuesday followed months of discussion about rule changes in sessions conducted by the county planning commission and the county commission, which allowed extensive public input and recommendations from various business, development and conservation representatives in the county.

## Former Zozo police chief resigns from CFYD position

LAS CRUCES

After a year and a half, the head of the Las Cruces Taylor Juvenile Justice Center has resigned. Angelo Vega, former Carrizozo Chief of Police, resigned July 3 as superintendent of the juvenile detention center located west of Las Cruces, according to Deborah

Martinez, communications director for the New Mexico Children, Youth and Families Department, the agency that administers the facility. She said Vega resigned for "personal reasons."

Martinez added that CFYD deputy director of facilities Keith Smith will lead the facility until an acting superintendent is named. "We'll be naming an acting superintendent in the next few weeks," Martinez said.

Vega took over as superintendent in July 2005. In 1996 Vega, then a Lincoln County Sheriff's deputy, was indicted by a grand jury on two counts

of extortion and two counts of intimidation of a witness. He struck a deal with prosecutors and pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor charge of false imprisonment. Vega was arrested in 2001 on stalking and harassment charges.

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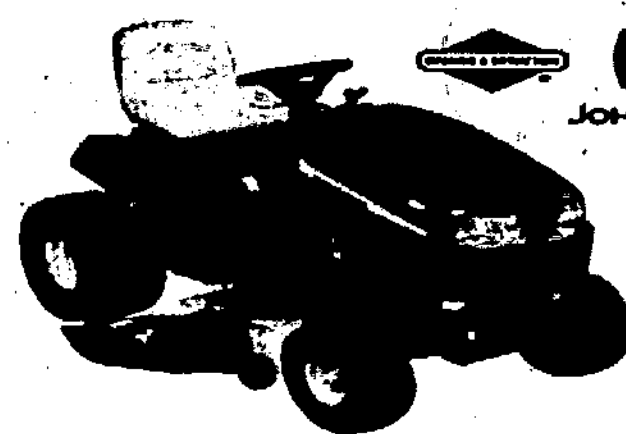
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The 20 percent only would be applied to that amount in excess of \$1.5 million, according to his presentation and his affidavit.

Another option, one apparently rejected by the council but mentioned several times by Mayor L. Ray Nunley in open session, would be to hire a mediator to decide if the lease terms are straightforward or ambiguous.

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# Ellen Wedum proposed for county nomination as interim District 59 state rep

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Facing five Lincoln County commissioners — all Republicans — Tony Davis proposed Tuesday that Democrat Ellen Wedum from Cloudercroft be selected as the county's nominee to serve as interim state representative in District 59

until voters decide the contest in the general election.

A vacancy occurred in the district with the recent death of Avon Wilson.

In a district that covers multiple counties, each county commission submits a nominee from which the governor may choose the replacement.

Davis, a Democrat running

for the District 4 commission seat, said that although only one Lincoln County precinct falls within District 59, Wedum "has diligently acquainted herself with the people, the concerns and the issues of all residents of Lincoln County."

She personally collected all of the Lincoln County names on her original nomination peti-

tion to become a candidate, he said. She attended many local meetings to listen to concerns and participate in solutions, Davis said, ticking off a list that included economic development and water sessions.

"She has the background and education to understand the complex issues of hydrology, education and economic

development that we are wrestling with here in Lincoln County," Davis said.

Her career includes private industry, engineering project management, and teaching physical chemistry at Purdue University.

Commission Chairman Rick Simpson asked if any other nominees were submitted and

**"She has the background and education to understand the complex issues of hydrology, education and economic development that we are wrestling with here in Lincoln county."**

Tony Davis  
Candidate for county commissioner

Commissioner Maury St. John pointed out that Nora Espinoza from Roswell was selected by Republican voters in that party's primary and will face Wedum in November.

## Decision tabled

County Manager Tom Stewart said while all three county commissions — Chaves, Otero and Lincoln — that are represented in the district don't have to agree on one nominee, "I think it would be appropriate that we notify the other commission about what we do."

Battin said commissioners from Chaves and Otero probably already are talking.

He asked that the issue be tabled until later in the day or another date to allow Stewart to check with the other commissions.

"I think it's important the three counties submit one (nominee)," he said. "I think we would have a better chance that (the governor) will accept that one."

Wedum told commissioners that the Otero County Commission was scheduled to meet that night and the item of Wilson's replacement is not on the agenda. She was unable to contact the Chaves County Commission, but it meets Thursday morning, she said.

She thanked commissioners for their consideration and told them when they see her leave the meeting after the vote to postpone action, she is not "leaving in a huff." She was driving to Santa Fe to attend meetings on water issues.

## Hubbard delays leathercraft class

With the closure of the Hubbard Museum of the American West on Saturday, July 22 to accommodate the annual board fundraiser, the Leathercraft program by Paul Bringer will be rescheduled for July 29 and will be held in conjunction with the Blacksmithing program already scheduled on July 29.

"We apologize to our patrons for the change in schedule dates," said Jay Smith, Hubbard Museum Director.

"With all of the activities taking place at our annual fundraiser, we were concerned about being able to properly accommodate the 'Saturdays at the Hubbard' program. On July 29, however, we will have both indoor and outdoor activities taking place with both the Blacksmithing and Leathercraft programs."

Smith said he hopes that families and groups will come out to visit the Museum and enjoy both of the terrific programs.

"Saturdays at the Hubbard" is a series of weekly programs that will be held at 11 a.m. every Saturday through August.

Call the Hubbard Museum at 378-4142, or visit the Web site at [www.hubbardmuseum.org](http://www.hubbardmuseum.org) for more information about the facility or about other events taking place at the Museum.

The Hubbard Museum of the American West is located at 841 Highway 70 West, and is open seven days a week from 9 a.m. — 5 p.m., excluding Thanksgiving and Christmas Days.

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# SPORTS

## South splits with North in 3A All-Star games

The weekend was a mixed bag for Ruidoso representatives in the annual Class 3A North-South weekend at New Mexico Highlands.

The South boys basketball, featuring Ted LaCoe, Sergio Castanon and Jason Kampsky of Ruidoso, won with solid teamwork, defeating the North 92-87.

But the South football team, which led the 3A series 4-1 coming into Saturday's game, were felled by a last-second pass for a touchdown, falling 25-20.

This after the North trailed 20-0 at

the break.

But while the South had that big lead at the break, it wasn't able to score until the second quarter, starting with a one-yard punch-in by Socorro's Scotty Crespin.

Reggie Hargrove of Lovington later added a five-yard scamper and Cobre's Nick Castro caught a pass from Hargrove to finish out the scoring.

It's just that the South didn't realize that was all it would score, and the North came out in the second half fired up.

Raton's Josh Duran recovered a fumble on the South's first drive coming out of the half, and Andy Gonzales of West Las Vegas made the South pay with a touchdown. Gonzales later scored on a fourth-and-three to cut the lead to seven points.

It remained that way until Robertson's Lucas Sanchez found Cuba's Michael Hoodless open for a 32-yard touchdown on third-and-long. It was now a one-point lead for the South, and the momentum had obviously turned.

The North was able to recover a fumble

on the very next series, which set up another pass from Sanchez to Hoodless for what turned out to be the game-winning score.

It was a different story the night before, as the South boys basketball team used a number of runs to stay just in front of the North for the victory.

With the victory, the South tied the series at three wins for either side. Chris Adkins of Portales was the MVP for the South with 23 points. Kampsky led all Ruidoso scorers with 11 points, while Castanon had nine and LaCoe five.

## side line

### Sports Results

**Friday, July 14**  
Boys Basketball  
Class 3A North-South game  
at Las Vegas  
South 92, North 87

**Saturday, July 15**  
Football  
Class 3A North-South game  
at Las Vegas  
North 25, South 20

### Sports on Tap

SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

**Thursday, July 20**  
Horse Racing  
Ford Challenge trials at Ruidoso Downs, 1 p.m.

**Friday, July 21**  
Horse Racing  
Thoroughbred and quarter horse claiming, maiden and allowance racing at Ruidoso Downs, 1 p.m.  
Softball  
Last Chance Qualifier at Eagle Creek, TBA

**Saturday, July 22**  
Horse Racing  
Rainbow Derby at Ruidoso Downs, 1 p.m.  
Softball  
Last Chance Qualifier at Eagle Creek, TBA

**Sunday, July 23**  
Horse Racing  
Rainbow Futurity at Ruidoso Downs, 1 p.m.  
Softball  
Last Chance Qualifier at Eagle Creek, TBA

### On Deck

**Sierra Blanca basketball**  
Entries are being taken for the Sierra Blanca 3-on-3 Hoop Mania scheduled for July 22-23 at the Ruidoso Middle School gym. Teams in age group 10-12, 13-15, 16-18 and 19 and older are welcome. Registration is \$100 per team and the deadline to enter is 4 p.m. July 20. Entry forms can be picked up at the Ruidoso Parks and Recreation Department, Village Hall, or at the Ruidoso Public Swimming Pool. For more information, contact Mandi Lewallen at 257-5030 or email at Mandilewallen@vorruidoso.com

**Summer Football Workouts**  
Ruidoso High School summer football workouts have begun and will continue through Aug. 4. Workout times are 7-8:30 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays for weights and conditioning at RHS, and Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6-8:30 p.m. at Horton Stadium.

**British Soccer Camp**  
A soccer camp for athletes ages 4-12 will be given at the White Mountain Soccer Complex July 24-28. Cost is \$80 per student, \$90 after July 10. Parents can also sign their children up at challengeports.com. For more information, call Rhonda Newsome at 973-0108.

**Soccer Summer Workouts**  
Voluntary summer workouts for athletes in grades 7-12 wanting to play boys soccer at Ruidoso High next season have begun and will run Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays every week through August. All participants must have had a physical and provide their own shin guards. All workouts will be at the White Mountain Athletic Complex from 6-7:30 p.m. For more information, contact Craig Washnack at 808-2934.

**Outdoor Expo Gearing Up**  
The fourth annual New Mexico RV and Outdoor sports expo will be held Aug. 19-20 at the Ruidoso Convention Center, featuring displays, demonstrations and resources for fishing, hunting, golf, skiing, conservation and hunter education. There will also be a golf scramble, putting contests, fly fishing lessons and elk and turkey calling contests. Admission will be \$5 for adults, \$2 for junior high and high school students and free for children 12 and under accompanied by an adult. For more information, call Trish Thompson at 336-9171 or visit www.nmmtsports.com.

## Proven Futurity runners in Ford Trials

TY WYANT  
For the Ruidoso News

Three horses with proven credentials in graded futurities — Don't Let Down, Eyesa Runner and Dashing Uno — are in position to qualify for the \$53,190 Ford New Mexico Juvenile Challenge from six 350-yard trials at Ruidoso Downs Thursday.

First post time is 1 p.m. with free parking and free general admission.

Bobby Cox's Don't Let Down is making his first start since June 4 when he finished an impressive third in the Heritage Place Futurity at Remington Park. The John Buchanan-trained gelding closed well to get within a head of winner First Carolina.

Don't Let Down has the fourth post position in the fourth race, the first trial.

Eyesa Runner, third in the West Texas Futurity, prepared for the Ford New Mexico Juvenile Challenge trials with a one-length

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## Chicks Are Streakin fastest Zia Derby qualifier

Arealstraitheart impresses with win

TODD FUQUA AND TY WYANT  
For the Ruidoso News

The Zamora racing clan is having the meet of their lives this summer at Ruidoso Downs.

Already boasting the fastest qualifier to this weekend's Rainbow Derby, the trainer-jockey team of Jaime and Chris Zamora and part owner Bobby Maes actually have two horses in that race and earned the fastest time of the day this past Friday during the running of the Zia Derby trials.

Chicks Are Streakin won the first trial of the day, running the 400 yards in a time of 19.444, and the time held up over the next three races. It marks the third time this year the BLM racing team had a horse in the first trial of a futurity, as Screamin Bye, the fastest horse in this weekend's Rainbow, was also running in the first trial.

"Our return rate is very high, and we'll take it," Jaime Zamora said. "The only reason it looks like we're so successful right now is because we're a small barn doing well. We're pretty happy."

Chicks Are Streakin won by a neck over second-fastest qualifier Bullys Runaway. It was Chicks Are Streakin's his third straight win, and he should be in top form for the Zia Derby July 30. In his two previous starts he took the Hard Twist Stakes at The Downs



TODD FUQUA/STAFF

Jockey Chris Zamora kisses his whip after winning the first trial to the Zia Derby Friday at Ruidoso Downs. The gelding's time of 19.444 was the fastest on the day and marked the third horse to qualify for a Grade I race at the Downs this summer. The BLM racing team also has two horses in this weekend's Rainbow Futurity.

At Albuquerque and an allowance race at Ruidoso Downs.

All American Futurity runner-up Arealstraitheart made an impressive return to racing with an easy trial win, remaining undefeated from six starts against New Mexico-bred competition. One of three qualifiers from the Ben Torres stable, the gelding pulled away to win his trial in 19.535 by 1 1/2-length with his ears pricked crossing the finish line. It was his first appearance since winning the Shue Fly Stakes Dec. 18 at Sunland Park. He won last year's Zia Futurity for his other stakes win against New Mexico-breds.

Arealstraitheart's two starts

against open competition came in the Grade 1, \$1.9 million All American Futurity and his All American trial, finishing second in each race. He finished ahead of champion Teller Cartel in their All American Futurity and was second to Teller Cartel in the 440-yard finals.

Torres also sent out second-fastest qualifier Bullys Runaway and third-fastest qualifier Runawaywiththegold.

### Scary moment

It was a frightening time for race fans in the third trial, eighth race overall, as Coles Dino, with rider Oscar Hernandez aboard,

injured himself in the gate on a flipping halter and later threw Hernandez during the running. Hernandez was taken to a hospital for observation, but suffered no serious injuries, and will be back at Ruidoso Downs racing on Thursday.

Coles Dino, who was on the flipping halter to keep him from rearing up in the gate, injured a major blood vessel to the brain when he tried to do just that, necessitating his being put down.

"In all my years of using a flipping halter, I've never seen that happen," said trainer Carl Draper.

## Copper Top 1-3 finishers highlight Senior, Seniorita trials

TY WYANT  
For the Ruidoso News



TODD FUQUA/STAFF

Fantasma races to his third career win in three starts with Martin Bordieu aboard during the Rio Grande Senior Futurity trials Saturday at Ruidoso Downs. The gelding had also won his trial for and final to the Copper Top Futurity and bested One Good Reisen by half a length.

Fantasma and First To Blush, the first- and third-place finishers in the Copper Top Futurity at Sunland Park, came through with qualifying wins in the trials to the \$118,647 Rio Grande Senior Futurity and the \$112,657 Rio Grande Seniorita Futurity, respectively, Saturday at Ruidoso Downs.

The Senior Futurity is for New Mexico-bred males and the Seniorita Futurity is for New Mexico-bred fillies. All the trials and the finals are at 5-1/2 furlongs.

The Senior Futurity, with four trials, had the top two finishers in each trial qualifying for the July 30 finals. The remaining two berths will be determined by selecting two horses from the four third-place finishers in a draw on Sunday morning.

Copper Top Futurity winner Fantasma, owned by Gene Bradley and Sam Britt, remained undefeated from three starts with his Senior Futurity trial victory. He controlled the race from the start with J. Martin Bordieu aboard to win by half a length in 1:06 2/5. He used the same front-running tactics to win the Copper Top Futurity April 15 by 3-3/4 lengths.

One Good Reisen, third in the Ruidoso Thoroughbred Sale

Futurity, finished second while Ruidoso Thoroughbred Sale Futurity winner Blazing Rockstar was third.

The qualifiers for the Senior Futurity are Gonethemountain (1st trial), Bandontheloose (1st trial), Fantasma (2nd trial), One Good Reisen (2nd trial), Devious Play (3rd trial), Whiskyformyfriends (3rd trial), Ocean Joe (4th trial) and Key's Band (4th trial). The final two qualifiers will be determined from a draw between Twice The Moves, Blazing Rockstar, Achilles Wrath and Drone's Time.

The top-three finishers from each of the three Seniorita Futurity trials qualified for the July 30 finals. The 10th and final finalist will be selected on Sunday morning by a draw from the three fourth-place finishers.

First To Blush, owned by The Boys, raised her record to two wins and the third in the Copper Top from three starts with the trial win in 1:07 2/5. She is trained by Terry Walker and was ridden by Bourdieu.

The other two Seniorita trials showcased first-time-starting fillies who ran faster times than the more experienced First To Blush. Shezapirate went from gate to wire to win her trial in 1:05 4/5 while Red Lilly stalked the pace and won her career debut in 1:06 4/5.



# Cree Uprising at Cree Meadows

The Cree Meadows Ladies Association held its 18th annual Cree Uprising July 10-11, playing best ball on the first day and modified scotch on the second with two person teams.

**First net** — Molly Fairbetter, Mary Laughlin. **First gross** — Joyce McBride, Emily Wilson. **Championship flight** — First Net, Linda McQuay, Eve Bayless; Second Net, Mary Shelton, Barbara Hardy. **Third Net**, Melissa Misquez, Olivia Lee. **First Gross**, Lauren Zeit, Margot De Alba; **Second Gross**, Carole Wood, Marly Cope; **Third Gross**, Kim Preston, Linda Russell. **First flight** — First Net, Sherron Carroll, Gerry Whit; **Second Net**, Pam Skar, Holly Roberts; (tie), Jane Hoover, Gaye Miller. **First Gross**, Nancy Hudspeth, Ann Foley; **Second Gross**, Neva Butzer, Karen Tomas; **Third Gross**, Allison Walstad, Sherrin Evans. **Second flight** — First Net, Jerry Betty, Clay Clairborne; **Second Net**, Ginger Huband, Kaye Frye; **Third Net**, Helen Richards, Alice Altum. **First Gross**, Anna Martinez, Kathy Hanson; **Second Gross**, Marilyn Ragland, Pat Martin; **Third Gross**, Cheryl Knobel, Marly DiSanto. **Third flight** — First Net, Rose Bulser, Margaret Pugh; **Second Net**, Blynn Yates, Norma Smith; **Third Net**, Martha Lawrence, Kathy Nelson. **First Gross**, Becky Seale, Jane Korzan; **Second Gross**, Linda McLaughlin, Virginia Tingley; **Third Gross**, Wy Haragan, Neva Roche.

# FORD

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maiden win at Ruidoso Downs June 23 in a sharp :16.93 for 330 yards.

Eyesa Runner drew the second post position in the seventh race, the fourth trial.

Homer Hill's Dashing Uno was second in the Oklahoma Futurity at Remington Park and then third in her Ruidoso

Futurity trial, her sole local start.

Dashing Uno will start from the fifth post position in the fifth race, the second trial.

This weekend is one of the most anticipated weekends of the summer racing schedule at Ruidoso Downs with the running of the \$268,000 Rainbow Derby Saturday afternoon and the \$625,000 Rainbow Futurity Sunday afternoon.

# RUIDOSO DOWNS RESULTS

Results for racing at Ruidoso Downs for July 13-16:

**Thursday, July 13**  
**First** — 400 yards. Nighty's First Call 9.60, 2.60 2.40, Gonna Ro Sham Bo 2.20 2.20, Royal Dash Ta Fame 2.80, Quinella — 5.40. **Exacta** — 14.20. **Trifecta** — 22.70. **T** — 19.885.  
**Second** — 400 yards. Make Mine Genuine 3.80 2.60 2.60, Chickenthe Straw 2.60 2.60, Flashy Dollarhide 3.20, Quinella — 5.40. **Exacta** — 6.60. **Trifecta** — 32.60. **Daily Double** — 18.00. **T** — 20.150.  
**Third** — 400 yards. Bullets Brother 24.20 7.20 3.80, Speedy Strawberry 3.20 2.40, Every Body's Secret 3.00, Quinella — 16.00. **Exacta** — 43.00. **Trifecta** — 80.40. **T** — 20.048.  
**Fourth** — 400 yards. Mira Vista Miracle 10.60 6.60 4.80, Heza Weasel 16.60 7.40, Duces Deferred 3.00, Quinella — 101.40. **Exacta** — 192.80. **Tri Super** 191.40. **T** — 19.940. **Scratched** — Runawaywiththeloft.  
**Fifth** — 400 yards. Bj Strawberry 17.60 6.80 5.60, Blushing Blaze 4.00 3.00, Hearts Miracle 3.20, Quinella — 46.20. **Exacta** — 78.80. **Trifecta** — 242.20. **Superfecta** — 1,069.80. **T** — 19.981.  
**Sixth** — 400 yards. Highly Blazin 5.60 3.80 2.60, Sparke Alet 6.60 3.40, I Cry Too 3.00, Quinella — 30.00. **Exacta** — 47.20. **Trifecta** — 80.00. **T** — 19.788.  
**Seventh** — 400 yards. I Know Won Too

38.20 17.80 5.60, In Ta Fame 7.80 3.40, Blackgold Playgirl 2.60, Quinella — 161.60. **Exacta** — 189.20. **Trifecta** — 212.00. **T** — 20.114. **Scratched** — Tojana Miracle.  
**Eighth** — 400 yards. Sun Battle 5.60 3.40 2.80, Special Blazefort 3.20 2.60, Rockless Miracle 3.60, Quinella — 8.20. **Exacta** — 13.80. **Trifecta** — 41.30. **T** — 19.489.  
**Ninth** — 400 yards. Mister Ww 3.60 2.40 2.60, Regiment Commander 2.60 3.40, Yards Rushing 2.40 4.20, Quinella — 4.20. **Exacta** — 4.40. **Exacta** — 7.60. **Exacta** — 12.70. **T** — 19.973. **Scratched** — Casino Dash.  
**Tenth** — 400 yards. Ms Misty Brown 6.60 2.80 2.60, Blazin Perfection 2.80 2.40, Compas Runaway 3.20, Quinella — 6.40. **Exacta** — 13.00. **Trifecta** — 21.90. **Pick 3** — 20.20. **T** — 20.109.  
**Friday, July 14**  
**First** — 5 1/2 furlongs. Money (necess 4.60 2.80 2.40, Shining Bullseye 3.00 2.40, Noeuse 3.60, Quinella — 9.80. **Exacta** — 12.40. **Trifecta** — 68.60. **T** — 1:06.00.  
**Second** — 5 1/2 furlongs. Babes Wort Tell 6.60 4.60 3.20, I M Aking 4.40 3.40, Katsu 3.60, Quinella — 17.60. **Exacta** — 29.20. **Trifecta** — 47.40. **Daily Double** — 24.80. **T** — 1:04.40.  
**Third** — 5 1/2 furlongs. Rocky Gulch 4.60 3.60 3.20, Afforce One 13.40 6.80, Arthur's Dream 5.40, Quinella — 46.20. **Exacta** —

78.00. **Trifecta** — 384.90. **T** — 1:05.20.  
**Fourth** — 7 1/2 furlongs. Classic Destiny 6.20 3.00 2.60, Sheranna 3.00 2.60, Burning Affair 2.60, Quinella — 6.80. **Exacta** — 12.80. **Tri Super** 6.10. **T** — 1:36.20.  
**Fifth** — 300 yards. Easy as 123 21.00 11.40 4.80, The Corona Man 6.60 4.00, Oke Money Files 6.00, Quinella — 102.60. **Exacta** — 193.00. **Trifecta** — 351.70. **Superfecta** — 669.10. **T** — 15.493. **Scratched** — Snazzy Ride.  
**Sixth** — 400 yards. Chicks Are Streakin 3.80 2.80 2.60, Bullys Runaway 4.40 3.20, Luck N Drive 4.60, Quinella — 20.40. **Exacta** — 23.80. **Trifecta** — 181.10. **T** — 19.444.  
**Seventh** — 400 yards. Dueling Juan 31.40 9.40 7.40, Casha Blushing 5.40 4.60, Stormy's Miracle 4.40, Quinella — 90.00. **Exacta** — 166.80. **Trifecta** — 286.30. **T** — 19.747.  
**Eighth** — 400 yards. Runawaywiththegold 4.20 2.80 2.40, Eddie Stinson 4.80 3.00, Holy Coaly 2.80, Quinella — 16.20. **Exacta** — 18.60. **Trifecta** — 28.90. **T** — 19.501.  
**Ninth** — 400 yards. Arealstratheart 3.80 3.20 2.60, Tick Talk Jo 8.60 4.00, Dash Ta Moon 3.60, Quinella — 20.20. **Exacta** — 33.40. **Trifecta** — 44.70. **Superfecta** — 143.80. **Pick 3** — 79.90. **T** — 19.535.  
**Saturday, July 15**  
**First** — 5 1/2 furlongs. Red Lilly 36.80 17.60 9.00, D.E. Fantasma 10.00 6.40, Apt Band 14.20, Quinella — 1,045.20. **Exacta** —

270.40. **Trifecta** — 1,468.00. **T** — 1:06.80.  
**Second** — 5 1/2 furlongs. Shezapirate 6.40 4.40 3.80, Sizzle 9.00 6.40, Excessive Ross 5.80, Quinella — 26.40. **Exacta** — 59.60. **Trifecta** — 250.20. **Daily Double** — 109.20. **T** — 1:05.80.  
**Third** — First to Blush 3.40 3.40 2.60, Little Orphan Ali 5.80 3.40, She's Long Gone 3.20, Quinella — 12.40. **Exacta** — 18.00. **Trifecta** — 37.20. **T** — 1:07.40. **Scratched** — Romance the Ghost.  
**Fourth** — 350 yards. Secret Gambler 29.40 9.80 4.60, Feature Mr Liquidity 15.20 5.80, Corona Candy 3.00, Quinella — 276.20. **Exacta** — 4,151.00. **Tri Super** — 293.10. **T** — 17.549.  
**Fifth** — 5 1/2 furlongs. Gonethemountain 17.20 6.80 3.40, Bandontheloose 6.20 3.60, Twice the Moves 2.80, Quinella — 53.00. **Exacta** — 147.40. **Trifecta** — 126.50. **Superfecta** — 312.00. **T** — 1:06.20.  
**Sixth** — 5 1/2 furlongs. Fantasma 2.80 2.40 2.20, One Good Reisen 5.00 2.80, Blazing Rockstar 2.40, Quinella — 11.80. **Exacta** — 17.60. **Trifecta** — 16.50. **T** — 1:06.40.  
**Seventh** — 5 1/2 furlongs. Devious Play 3.60 2.80 2.20, Whiskyformyfriends 6.40 3.00, Achilles Wrath 2.40, Quinella — 25.00. **Exacta** — 31.20. **Trifecta** — 56.50. **T** — 1:06.20.

**Eighth** — 5 1/2 furlongs. Ocean Joe 3.60 2.40 2.40, Key's Band 3.40 2.80, Drone's Time 2.80, Quinella — 12.60. **Exacta** — 16.40. **Trifecta** — 18.20. **T** — 1:05.60.  
**Ninth** — 350 yards. Boot Loop 20.60 8.80 6.00, Zip This Fly 3.80 3.40, Pure Texan 4.00, Quinella — 29.80. **Exacta** — 142.40. **Trifecta** — 156.20. **T** — 17.460. **Scratched** — Chase to Cash.  
**Tenth** — 5 furlongs. Samantha's Way 5.00 3.40 2.80, Honor Performer 3.80 3.00, Legally Wild 2.80, Quinella — 9.80. **Exacta** — 16.00. **Trifecta** — 34.00. **Superfecta** — 173.50. **Pick 3** — 165.20. **T** — 59.00. **Scratched** — Diamond Chimes.  
**Sunday, July 16**  
**First** — 870 yards. Another Shuttle 7.40 3.20 2.60, Casady Bull 4.80 3.60, One for Plummer 3.20, Quinella — 18.00. **Exacta** — 31.40. **Trifecta** — 57.80. **T** — 47.064. **Scratched** — Highdarkbay, Cornaro.  
**Second** — 300 yards. Eye Can Fly 8.00 3.00 3.00, Cookchickcocktails 2.40 2.40, Jody's Look of Gold 4.40, Quinella — 7.20. **Exacta** — 12.00. **Trifecta** — 57.20. **Daily Double** — 28.40. **T** — 15.545. **Scratched** — Champus Grey.  
**Third** — 5 furlongs. Super Apeal 16.40 10.00 4.80, Dig That Talk 5.40 3.80, Chillin Chilly 3.20, Quinella — 41.40. **Exacta** — 79.40. **Trifecta** — 304.00. **T** — 59.80. **Scratched** — Bullish Ego.  
**Fourth** — 330 yards. Famous Uncle Joe

12.60 4.80 4.20, Riff Ta Fame 4.00 4.00, Whata Tuff Miracle 7.80, Quinella — 17.20. **Exacta** — 41.40. **Tri Super** 297.20. **T** — 16.834. **Scratched** — He Is Authorized.  
**Fifth** — 6 furlongs. Miss Monarchy 29.80 13.80 9.40, Lifted Pride 13.20 5.40, Sheryl's Sexy Ghost 7.300, Quinella — 177.40. **Exacta** — 372.80. **Trifecta** — 1,824.00. **Superfecta** — 5,786.50. **T** — 1:15.60. **Scratched** — Paythelooker.  
**Sixth** — 5 furlongs. Desert Ranger 5.80 3.20 2.60, Hardly a Harley 6.80 3.40, Special Program 2.40, Quinella — 16.00. **Exacta** — 31.20. **Trifecta** — 31.70. **T** — 59.20.  
**Seventh** — 550 yards. Dash and Run 9.20 4.00 3.40, Classy Aces 3.80 3.00, Lil Six Kix 6.60, Quinella — 13.00. **Exacta** — 22.20. **Trifecta** — 186.90. **T** — 27.344.  
**Eighth** — 6 furlongs. A Man At Last 9.20 5.20 3.40, Sac 3.80 3.00, Thumper's Devil 2.80, Quinella — 23.00. **Exacta** — 47.40. **Trifecta** — 58.20. **T** — 1:14.00.  
**Ninth** — 350 yards. Wranglin Kit Te 17.60 5.20 3.00, Jwp At Large 3.40 2.40, Shuanas Speed 2.20, Quinella — 24.40. **Exacta** — 30.60. **Trifecta** — 42.20. **T** — 17.662. **Scratched** — Private Harpisk.  
**Tenth** — 7 1/2 furlongs. Distant Moon 15.40 6.20 5.20, Castner 3.20 2.80, Native Turk 5.20, Quinella — 18.40. **Exacta** — 43.40. **Trifecta** — 99.20. **Superfecta** — 314.90. **Pick 3** — 348.80. **T** — 1:35.20.



Members of the Ruidoso Warrior Football team are shown making this year's contribution to Dr. Lynn Willard, representing Big Brothers/Big Sisters, and Sue Gordon local representative of the Lincoln County American Red Cross Disaster Team. Proceeds are from the annual Bowl-A-Thon in which the Warriors have contributed \$10,000 over the last three years to local charities.

## POOP SCOOP

BY KIM DONER  
SPECIAL TO THE RUIDOSO NEWS

The rains have been very welcome in Ruidoso in the last few weeks. But they have resulted in a "flood" of sorts in lost pets at the shelter. The great majority of these are coming to us without any identification and we are helpless in finding their owners. With these pets we have to sit and wait and hope the owners will call or visit the shelter.

Current identification is a lost pet's only way to be reunited with worried owners. It is required in Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs for pets to wear current rabies tags, but in addition, especially if you are visiting, it would be in your pet's best interest to have a tag with your current contact information imprinted on it.

Many dogs find thunder terrifying and will escape an outdoor fenced yard if it is at all possible to do so. You would be surprised how many canines find a way of climbing a fence trying to escape from a thunderstorm. During this time of year when thunderstorms can develop quickly if you leave your pet home alone take precautions in case of a sudden change in weather. If they are left outside, be sure they have an area that is protected, and a dog run that is escape proof. This would include a cover so that climbing over would not be an option for them. If you know that your pet has a fear of thunder and storms, please consider leaving them in the house when you leave.

If you do return home and find your pet is missing, call the shelter right away and make a lost report with us. In just the past week we were able to reunite eight dogs that had escaped their yards but had been reported found to us by members of the public. These pets never came to the shelter, but we were able to match them up with lost reports called in by their owners. Also come out and visit the shelter often. By New Mexico animal ordinances, pets without identification are held for three days.

After they could be adopted or transferred to a rescue group or sadly, even euthanized.

Dogs often slip out of their collars if they are tied outside leaving their identification behind. However, if they have been microchipped, they still have a way for us to find their owners if they come into the shelter. Every pet is scanned for a microchip when they are checked into the shelter. A few months ago we had a dog come into us that had been found in Texas as a Ruidoso resident was driving home from a trip. When we scanned this dog we found a chip, and the identification number led us to her owner who had been missing his pet for several months. He thought he would never see her again, but thanks to his efforts of giving his dog this gift of identification, we were able to reunite them.

Microchipping is a quick painless, non-surgical procedure that can be performed by any of the veterinarians in our area. If your pet has not already had this life saving procedure, please consider calling today for an appointment. The microchip will serve as his ticket home in case of loss, not only here in Ruidoso, but any where you travel.

The shelter is open for adoptions and visits during the summer from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday, but we have staff on site from 8 a.m. every day. In the mornings they are cleaning kennels and caring for the animals, but our answering machine will take any messages day or night. If your pet is missing, call 257-9841 and speak with a staff member or leave a message with a number where we can return your call. And remember, even if you call and make a lost report, please come out and look in person. You will recognize your pet better than anyone. We want to help you in every way to find your lost friend.

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## FUNERALS DEATHS

## Hall

Evelyn Florence Cole Hall passed away peacefully in her sleep at Life Care Center in Escondido, Calif., on July 11, 2006.

She was born on March 18, 1923, on the family homestead near Jennings, Okla., to George Lee Cole and Julia Frances Raper Cole. Her father was a farmer and model-maker for Douglas Aircraft Company in Tulsa, Okla., and her mother kept house and managed the farm. Evelyn graduated with the third highest grade average in her senior high school class at Bixby High School in Oklahoma. After high school, she graduated from Draughon's Business School in Tulsa in 1941. She taught there briefly before becoming employed by Shell Oil, where she worked for 10 years, working her way up to executive secretary for a vice president. She was a member and president of The Will Rogers Chapter of the National Secretaries Association.

She married John E. Hall, Jr., on Aug. 31, 1951. They moved from Tulsa to Cocoa, Fla., in 1954 where they worked in the space program, John as an instrument technician, and Evelyn as an executive secretary for RCA.

They moved to Garden Grove, Calif., in 1962. Evelyn was a devoted mother, raising John's two sons, John, III and Jack. She worked as a school secretary for the Garden Grove School District from 1968 until retiring in 1988.

She retired with John to Ruidoso in 1989 where they lived for 14 years, moving to

Escondido in January 2004. Evelyn was a member of the First Baptist Church of Ruidoso, and Bethel Baptist Church in Escondido.

Surviving family members include her husband, John E. Hall, Jr.; two brothers, Leonard and Marvin; a sister, Irene Barnes; her sons, John and Jack; two grandchildren, Brian and Sara; and six nieces and eight nephews.

Evelyn had a rich sense of humor and an amazing memory. In her 20's she traveled extensively throughout South America and the Caribbean on steamships, and later life she traveled throughout the U.S. including visits to Hawaii and Alaska. She enjoyed fine jewelry and was a founding member of the American Opal Society. She enjoyed traveling, camping, jewelry making and rock hounding.

At her request, she has been cremated and the ashes will be interred in Tulsa, Okla., at the Memorial Cemetery. A memorial service will be held at Bethel Baptist Church in Escondido on Saturday, July 22.

## Lawrence

Funeral services for Christina Sollento Lawrence, 62, of Ruidoso were held Tuesday, July 18, at the Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount with burial at Forest Lawn Cemetery. Mrs. Lawrence passed away Friday, July 14, in Albuquerque.

She was born Nov. 12, 1943, in Bronx, N.Y., and moved to Ruidoso in 1983 from Big Spring, Texas. She was very active in Boy and Girl Scouts,

and attended the Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount. She was a loving wife, mother, and grandmother. She married George Lawrence on Oct. 13, 1968, at Yonkers, N.Y.

Surviving family members include her husband George of Ruidoso; a son, Nicholas Lawrence and his wife Camil of Ruidoso; a brother, Peter Sollento of Brazil; and her grandchildren, Cassidy, Bella, and Sebastian. She was preceded in death by a son, George Lawrence Jr., on Dec. 28, 1993.

A private condolence may be sent at [www.lagrones-ruidoso.com](http://www.lagrones-ruidoso.com).

## Onstott

Bert R. Onstott Jr. died Saturday, July 15, in Carlsbad. He was born on Feb. 19, 1920, in Comanche, Texas, to Bert R. and Bertha Onstott. He was raised in Whiteface and Lorenzo, Texas. Moving to Carlsbad in 1940, he worked for Eddy County, then for International Minerals and Chemical Company. He joined the Marine Corp in January of 1942 and served in the South Pacific at New Caledonia, New Britain, the Russell Islands and Peleliu. He returned to the United States in August 1945.

He married Dorothy Cherry in 1946 and they raised three children, Rich Onstott of Houston, Susan Graham of Houston, and Glynnis Racine of Capitan. He is also survived by granddaughter Carissa Onstott and grandson Scott Graham.

After his discharge from the Marines, Onstott worked as a building inspector for nine years, then worked for Potash

Company from 1954 to 1983. He was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church, where he served at various times as usher, trustee, elder and church treasurer. His interests included golf, bridge, hunting, fishing and gardening.

## Montoya

Beloved father, son, brother and grandfather, Candido Montoya, Jr., was lost on July 14, 2006, in his home in Roswell. He was born Sept. 22, 1946, to Candido Montoya Sr. and Crisita Sanchez Montoya in Ruidoso.

He was preceded in death by his father Candido Montoya, Sr., brother, James Raymond Montoya, and sister, Donna Sue Montoya.

Candido is survived by his mother, Crisita Montoya; wife, Leona Montoya; three daughters, Zeba Morris, Yvonne Swickard and Donna Sue Montoya; three granddaughters, Ariel Lynette Smith, Jade DeLois Swickard and Amina James Montoya; three sisters, Josephine Herrera, Gloria Castillo and Lisa Sanchez; and many nieces and nephews, all of Ruidoso Downs and Glencoe.

This incredible man will be deeply missed. We are all blessed to have known him in life and will be further blessed to meet him again in Heaven where he waits for us in Our Father's Grace.

A memorial Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 19, at St. Jude's with Father Alfred Galvan officiating. Cremation was under the direction of Anderson-Bethany Funeral Home.

## Stubbe

Marguerite Lenora Stubbe, 94, passed away Friday, July 14, 2006. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Chapel of Chimes in Laurel Land Memorial Park, Fort Worth.

Marguerite was born July 30, 1911, in Sterling, Ill., and moved to Fort Worth with her family in 1914. She graduated from the old Paschal High School.

Marguerite went to work for Gulf Oil Corporation in 1929 at age 17 and retired in 1973 with



Stubbe

45 years of service. For 30 years she spent summers in Ruidoso and winters in Fort Worth.

Marguerite was preceded in death by her parents, Fred C. and Louise Stubbe; her lifelong loving goddaughter, Margaret Sue Wallace; and 10

brothers. Surviving family members include lifelong friends and caregivers, Catherine Massey, Larry and Deberah Averitt and their children; nieces, Marianne McGinnis, Virginia Artz, Marilyn Snyder, Elizabeth West and Ruth Berry.



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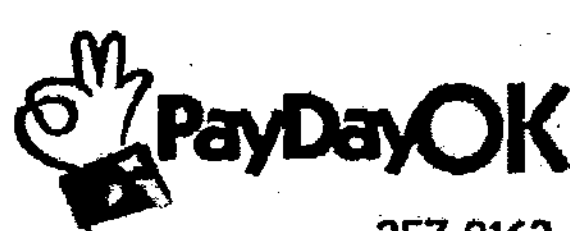
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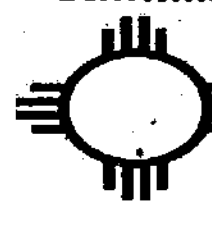
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For the first time in Carrizozo Schools' FFA history, one of its own has earned one of the four highest awards that can be achieved at a state level in FFA.

Ryan Gaines, son of Mike and Melody Gaines and a 2006 graduate of Carrizozo High School, was awarded the State Star Agribusiness award during the New Mexico State FFA Convention in June.

For the achievement, Gaines was given a plaque and a \$300 cash award provided by the National FFA Foundation.

This award qualified him to compete at the national level. National finalists each receive a plaque and \$2,000.

The Star Agribusiness Award is given to a top applicant for the State FFA Degree in Agribusiness and recognizes achievement in agribusiness and active involvement in FFA.

The program is sponsored by DuPont Company and the USDA Farm Service Agency as a special project of the National FFA Foundation.

Gaines applied for the Star Award during his senior year and was interviewed during the state FFA judging event as part of the process where he was required to show data and answer questions about the welding business that he officially started during the year.

Welding since he was a first grader, Gaines began building "projects" and selling projects by the time he was in junior high. Gaines Welding Services officially opened last fall. The service offers repair and custom fabrication welding work.

Gaines is an American Welding Society certified in both arc and mig welding.

Gaines was also named the State FFA Agricultural Processing Entrepreneurship Placement winner at the state convention for his proficiency in the meat cutting lab at

Carrizozo Schools. He was awarded a plaque and a \$250 check.

During his high school years, Gaines was active in local FFA and 4-H programs showing swine, beef and market goats at the county fair.

In 2005 he was awarded the Alderman Cave "Top Hand" award at the county fair - an award given to one individual in each county for their exhibition of leadership in at their county fairs.

In FFA, Gaines served as chapter president for two consecutive years and in 2004 was the first high point individual in meats judging at the state contest.

He was also on a top-five team and in the top-10 individuals at the state contest level in Ag Mechanics.

Gaines was one of six 4-H members in the state to receive a \$500 scholarship from the 2006 4-H Foundation.

In 2004 he earned a state record book award in 4-H and attended the National 4-H Congress in Atlanta, Ga.

During his high school years Gaines was involved in Legend Car racing where he was the New Mexico INEX state points champion in 2004 and the runner-up at the national level. He was a member of national honor society, student council, National Rifle Association, and Knowledge Bowl team member.

In August, Gaines will start classes at New Mexico State University majoring in ag extensions and education with a minor in ag engineering.

He will be a member of the Alpha Gamma Rho Agriculture Fraternity. Gaines has already attained 29 hours



Ryan Gaines earned the State Star Agribusiness award for the welding business he began during his senior year of high school.

of college credit though ENMU concurrent enrollment program and carries a 3.79 grade point average for the college classes.

Gaines will enter college using funding earned through his welding business, sale of his 4-H and FFA livestock projects, and scholarships awarded to him.

He is the recipient of scholarships totaling \$7,850 from the Patrick Ross Hightower Memorial, Carrizozo Woman's Club, Lincoln County Farm Bureau, Lincoln County Sheriff's Posse, GSV Title Service, City Bank, Ruidoso Optimists Club, Carrizozo Soil and Water Conservation, People for Kids, Corriente CowBelles, Canyon CowBelles, Special Events Resource Group, Extension Association, NMSU, 4-H Foundation, Pat Nowlin New Mexico State CowBelle Scholarship, Matt Borowski Memorial and Crimestoppers.

## Billy the Kid pageant time

The Lincoln County 911 sign is in full swing. You will see the numbers on residences in all the rural areas. Connie Stone has worked several years on this huge project.

Lincoln town street name is now Calle La Placita. It is still part of Highway 380.

Billy the Kid still attracts so many from other countries. There was another film company from France doing a documentary in Lincoln.

Congratulations to Peg and Leota Pfingsten. They were the honorees at the annual Smokey Bear Parade. Peg always has stories to tell of Lincoln County and his own life experiences.

It is Pageant and Ranchman's Camp meeting time. The pageant group met Saturday evening for sign up for those who wish to be participants.

The first practice is July 18 and will be the next week on Tuesday and Thursday.

There will be a new activity this year - a Billy the Kid look-a-like contest for the 13- and-under age group. The activity will be Friday at 7 p.m.

The Lincoln Water Board will have their meeting July 24.

The Sierra Blanca Youth Group has finished the two bridges and the

trail on the north side of the Bonito River in Lincoln Town.

Bennie Long's mother, Bobbie Windham of El Paso, visited last week. Bennie was taking her on a tour of Lincoln.



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Also visiting was Ted Allen's mother, Helen, of New Jersey. She helped take care of the two boys while she was here.

Ralph had a visitor - Hilario Jaramillo, of the Acoma Indian Reservation. He had a great-grandfather that was killed in Lincoln.

I visited with two New Mexico State patrolmen recently. They are still busy with the summer season. They not only check the drivers but watch for the fires in the forest and of course the elk and deer. They encourage everyone to be careful as the wildlife are close to the roads grazing and crossing to their water holes.

We returned from a 1,900 plus mile trip to Nebraska Friday. It was for the Blundell family, a family reunion, and a memory time for my mother and cousin who passed away this spring. A lot of memories were shared. There were 40 family members present.

We hit a downpour at Colorado Springs. Some areas have had lots of rain, others minimal and quite a bit of awfully dry country.

## 2006 FSA county committee election process announced

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Agriculture Secretary Mike Johanns announced that agricultural producers throughout the nation can nominate eligible candidates to serve on USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) county committees beginning through Aug. 1 for the county committee elections to be held in the fall.

"Farmers and ranchers have an important opportunity to ensure that their FSA county committees represent them by participating in the county committee election process," said Johanns. "I encourage agricultural producers across the country to nominate eligible candidates, especially minorities and women, to serve on their local county committees and to vote this fall."

Farmers and ranchers who serve on county committees help make decisions necessary to administer federal farm programs offered in their communities. County committees make decisions on agricultural issues such as commodity price support loans and payments, conservation programs, disaster payments and employing county executive directors.

Agricultural producers who participate or cooperate in programs admin-

istered by FSA and live in the local administrative area conducting an election may be nominated for candidacy for a committee. Farmers and ranchers can obtain a complete list of eligibility requirements by visiting a local USDA Service Center or online at: [www.fsa.usda.gov/pas/publications/facts/html/cocelig06.htm](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/pas/publications/facts/html/cocelig06.htm).

Individuals may nominate themselves or others as candidates. Additionally, community-based organizations representing minorities and women may nominate candidates.

To become a nominee, eligible individuals must sign nomination form FSA-669A. The form includes a statement that the nominee agrees to serve if elected. Farmers and ranchers should keep the following important dates in mind during the 2006 county committee election process:

- August 1 is the deadline to file nomination forms at the local USDA Service Center.

- USDA will mail ballots to eligible voters by November

- The last day to return voted ballots to the local USDA Service Center is Dec. 4.

- Newly elected county committee members take office Jan. 1, 2007.

The Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act established the county committee system in 1936. There are close to 8,000 FSA county committee members serving three-year terms in more than 2,300 county offices.

"Make a Difference: Nominate and Vote!" is the theme of the 2006 county committee election process.

For more information about FSA county committees or to obtain a nomination form (FSA-669A), visit a local USDA Service Center or online at: [www.fsa.usda.gov/pas/publications/elections/Default.asp](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/pas/publications/elections/Default.asp).

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## As I See It...

By LLOYD P. BLOODWORTH

A few years ago pilots were afraid to fly into Ruidoso as the general opinion seemed to be that certain mountain currents were dangerous. It was a different story last Sunday when more than 30 planes landed here to take part in the air-show and barbecue given by the Ruidoso Flying Service and the Chamber of Commerce. Planes came from as far away as Ft. Worth. Ruidoso has the most beautiful air field to be found anywhere. Nestled high in the White Mountains at an elevation of 7000 feet. Dewey Gann and Dewey, Jr., are to be congratulated on the splendid work they are doing to promote aviation in this area.

More rain and more people. That tells the story of Ruidoso this week. Running streams, green valleys, beautiful days, cool crisp nights. Where else in all the Southwest can one find a more delightful place to spend a vacation?

A few short months ago merchants were saying, "Be kind to our help; they might quit." Today it is another story. These same merchants are saying, "Be kind to our customers and at least give them a 'thank you' when they buy." Most of these merchants have had to sweat blood to stay in business because of the sort of help they have had to have. It is different now. Things are turning back to normal and "service with a smile" will be the drawing power again.

The finest thing Will Rogers ever said was, "I never saw a man I didn't like."

Ruidoso is to have her annual rodeo August 2-3-4. The affair is being staged by Johnny Mullens. Johnny is a cowboy of the old school and believes in making the show rough and exciting. Why not load the family in the old jalopy and come on up for three or four days of fun? You will probably want to cool off by that time, too.

My old friend Bill Hooten, editor of the El Paso Times, really gave us a whipping in his personal column last week. He was all stirred up over the prices being charged in Ruidoso for everything, but he failed to mention the prices that one has to pay in El Paso for practically everything he buys. As far as Ruidoso is concerned, one can get most any price they are looking for. If you want to eat a hamburger you can get it for fifteen cents. However, if your appetite calls for a porterhouse, you will have to pay as much as you would in one of the El Paso hotels. Who would want to eat a porterhouse steak in El Paso when he can come to Ruidoso and get one for the same price and enjoy himself while eating it? Come on up, Bill, and cool off. You'll feel better.

## Coordinating Council Formed

The Ruidoso Coordinating Council for Child Welfare will be organized at the American Legion Hall Monday, July 22, at 6:30 p.m. The Council will elect its officers and set up its by-laws.

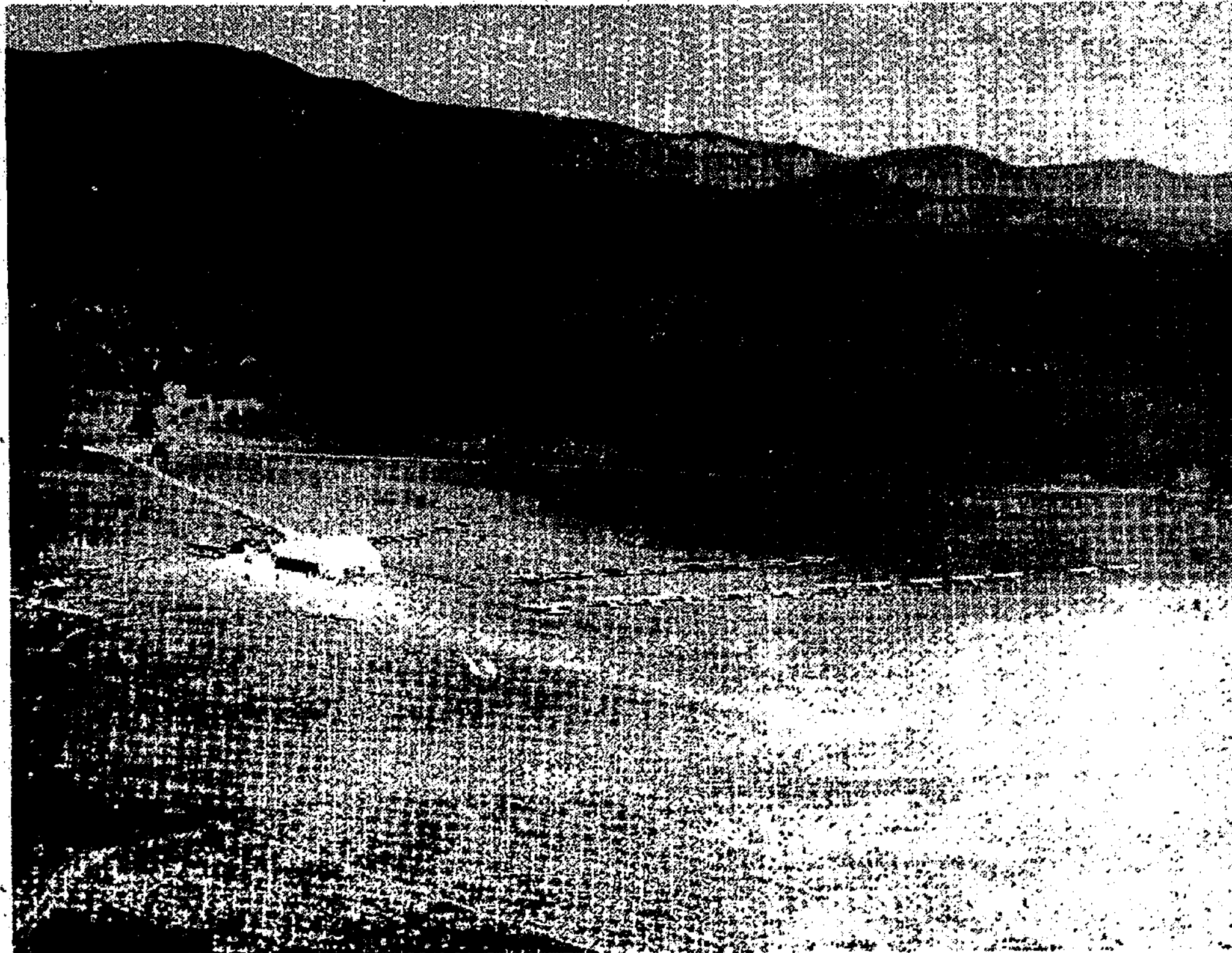
A representative from each organization in Ruidoso met at the Legion Hall last Monday night to form the council.

The Council's first project is to assist the County in securing emergency housing for the grade school here and in Stetson. The Council has applied to T. H. Gaylord of Ft. Worth, Texas, head of the Federal Security Agency, for assistance.

Telegrams have been sent to New Mexico Senators Hatch and Chavez and New Mexico Representative Hernandez in Washington, D. C., asking for their cooperation in the project.

The Council will assist with projects concerning child welfare and any programs for the betterment of the schools.

## Visiting Planes At Airport Last Sunday



## Latchstrings

Guests at the following places this week included:

**Inn By The Road**  
Mrs. Ror Westbrook and party, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wallace, Midland, Texas.  
Mrs. P. H. Booth and daughter, Wichita Falls, Texas.  
Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Crow and family, Houston, Texas.  
Major Caroline Hagerman, El Paso, Texas.  
Capt. Elizabeth Klein, El Paso, Texas.  
Henry Lewis and party, Roswell, N. M.  
F. J. Filkins, Crystal City, Texas.  
Capt. and Mrs. George W. Riddell, Hobbs, N. M.  
Mr. and Mrs. Harvey May, Albuquerque, N. M.  
Tom Chessen and party, Roswell, N. M.  
Mr. and Mrs. L. Stevenson, Lubbock, Texas.  
Gene Bennett and son, Odessa, Texas.  
B. F. Brynoldson, San Antonio, Texas.  
W. M. Pfeifer, El Paso, Texas.

## Whispering Pines Cabins

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Delaney, Sr., parents of T. C. Delaney, Jr., manager of the Navajo Lodge, and their niece, Carol Jean Delaney, of Lubbock, Texas.

C. D. Snow and daughters, Linda and Sharon, of San Antonio, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. T. N. O'Kelly and family, El Paso, Texas.

Capt. P. E. Mensing, RAAF, Lt. Garth Bergeson, RAAF, Roswell, New Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Kerchoff and family, Roswell, New Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. William C. Sipes, Miss Betty Lindley, Roswell, New Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Cain and daughter Beverly, Breckenridge, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Hurley, Amarillo, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Sparks, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon L. Strange, Houston, Texas.

## Ruidoso Flying Service Host To CAA Members

The first C.A.A. Sunday Breakfast Club party came to a successful close Sunday afternoon. Ruidoso can well be proud of the lovely reception it gave to pilots and their guests from the 31 planes which arrived here for the big affair.

The Sunday Breakfast Club, which will meet at Clovis, N. M., Sunday, July 21, is being sponsored by J. E. Griffin, of El Paso, Texas, district C.A.A. inspector.

The club is for private flyers of New Mexico and West Texas cities. They plan to meet at different cities each Sunday. "All flyers seem enthusiastic about it," Mr. Griffin said.

Dewey Gann, Jr., owner and operator of the Ruidoso Flying Service, and the Ruidoso Chamber of Commerce, sponsored this first party held at the Ruidoso Flying Field.

Guests were fed both breakfast and lunch. For breakfast there were heaps of donuts, coffee, and cold drinks. After partaking of the feast, guests were escorted into town by Ruidoso citizens so they could see the beauty of our village from the ground as well as by air.

Visitors were told to "pile their plates high, wide and brim full" of the delicious barbecue, served at noon. R. C. and Elinor Woodbridge owners of the Tumbling Tumbleweed, a restaurant which is to be opened soon, prepared the barbecue. The 336 pounds of meat which they distributed was the first meat to be cooked in their new pit. Mr. and Mrs. Dutch Shira helped with the barbecue.

Cold drinks were served with the meal. About 250 persons partook of the feast. Many liked it so much that they stepped back into line for seconds. Victrola records, broadcast over a loud speaker, furnished the music.

Lloyd P. Bloodworth introduced the speakers at the affair. Mr. Griffin said he was "glad to see so many people here." "I would like to express my thanks to Dewey Gann, Jr., and the Ruidoso Chamber of Commerce for making our first breakfast party a success," he stated.

R. R. Milsap of Ft. Worth invited the crowd to a barbecue at Lovington, N. M., Saturday, Aug. 3. He announced that there would be amateur calf roping, horseback

riding and bronc busting there. "I want to see some of these pilots on bucking broncs," he chuckled.

Mr. Milsap complimented Ruidoso on its fine airport, nice people and delightfully cool weather. "In fact," he exclaimed, "I believe I'll come back here and spend my vacation!"

W. M. Berry, chief of private flying development, stationed at Ft. Worth in the regional C.A.A. office, said he "hoped to be back in the future."

Claude O. Crane, president of the Ruidoso Chamber of Commerce, rounded out the speaker's panel by extending "a cordial invitation to everyone to come back to Ruidoso."

Dewey Gann, Jr., proudly welcomed the pilots of the first two Army planes and the first, twin-motor plane ever to land at the field.

The twin-motor plane, a Cessna T-50, was flown by Frank Hines, Piper distributor for New Mexico and West Texas. Lieutenant H. T. Eldredge, Lieutenant James F. Maher and Lieutenant Russell R. Dement, all of Biggs Field, El Paso, flew in the Army planes. Their trip took an hour.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Fuchs of Artesia were the first to arrive by plane for the party. R. R. Milsap's plane was the second to land. Thirteen planes besides the Army ones were flown in from El Paso. From there came Bob Rench and Vernon Richardson in 140 minutes; Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Johnson, 120 minutes; R. H. Wiscner, district C.A.A. inspector, William M. Berry and Mrs. Fay Barrington, 63 minutes; and Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Peters and daughter, Jeannie, 80 minutes.

Also Walter Debrick and Tommy Box, 110 minutes; Dr. Leon Halstead, chiropractor, and Dis-

## Letters To The Editor

Dear Lloyd:

Your paper, THE RUIDOSO NEWS, strikes me as being a very high class newspaper. Congratulations to you and your staff. One particular feature I have noticed is your frequent mention of the churches and church services and their value to the community. I would expect nothing else however, having known you all these years. I agree with you thoroughly.

As you already know, I am interested in the Cowboy Camp Meetings, two of which are held in New Mexico this month. One near Magdalena beginning July 24 through the 29th. The one which may interest your readers and who I extend a cordial invitation will be held on Nogal Mesa, 20 miles north of Ruidoso, beginning July 31 through August 5th. All who plan to attend should bring their bedding and tents. Meals are furnished on the grounds. The preachers will be Ralph J. Hall of Albuquerque, Charles Poling of Los Angeles and Dr. Robert Goodrich of El Paso. Come and join us. You will get a great spiritual blessing. Again, congratulations on the fine work you are doing.

Yours truly,  
—Joe Evans.  
El Paso, Texas.

Dear Editor:  
We surely do enjoy reading your paper. We think it is a fine newspaper and very newsy. Enclosed find check for subscription.

—Frank Klehs.  
Nagol, N. M.

Dear Editor:  
I would like to subscribe for your paper. I want to compliment you on your good start, and especially, on the praise you give the pioneers who started Ruidoso as a summer resort. I am sure there will soon be many subscribers from this country. We, here on the Bonito, are near the town of Ruidoso and want to cooperate.

Thank you.  
—Arvel N. Runnels.

## C. Of C. Breakfast At Nob Hill Starts Membership Campaign

More than eighty men and women met at Nob Hill for breakfast Thursday morning and gave the Chamber of Commerce Membership Drive a mighty big start. It was perhaps the most enthusiastic meeting of its kind ever held in Ruidoso.

The spirit of cooperation prevailed and there was a feeling that from now on the old canyon would grow and prosper and that those present had what it takes to get the job done.

Claude O. Crane, president of the Chamber of Commerce, opened the meeting with a spirited talk on the future of the community, and urged everyone to get behind the membership drive and get all of his friends and neighbors to help.

The meeting then was turned over to Jack Hull, chairman of the drive. Mr. Hull explained the program and the budget that had been worked out by the board of directors.

It was stated that the organization would need at least \$5,000.00 to carry on the ambitious program outlined by the board. Of this amount \$1,000 will be used to buy a sufficient supply of beautiful, three colored folders to send out in answer to the many inquiries being received by the Chamber of Commerce. It was further stated that the only salaried worker was the young lady in the office, Lloyd P. Bloodworth serves as manager without pay.

Pledge cards were passed out to all the workers and they were divided into pairs in the hope that every citizen of Ruidoso would be given an opportunity to join the Chamber of Commerce and carry his part of the load to make Ruidoso the outstanding resort of the entire Southwest.

By noon Thursday dozens of pledge cards had been returned to the office and a large number of them had paid their entire subscription for the year. It was emphasized that no one was giving anything, but that all were making an investment in their community.

A full report of the drive will be given in the next issue of THE NEWS, as well as a list of all committeemen to serve for the year. President Crane declared that he was more than pleased with the breakfast and the fine way everyone entered into the campaign.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Ball and Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Page and daughter of Midland, Texas, are spending a few days in Ruidoso.

Mrs. Harold Gardner, Vaughnland Cabins, has as her guests Mrs. W. V. Gardner, from Kingsville, Texas, Bobby Henslee and Millie Douglas from Mineral Wells, Texas. Mrs. Harold Gardner is in Ruidoso, from Carlsbad, for the summer.

Edith Hines of Carrizozo, New Mexico, returned to her home after visiting her sisters, Mrs. Harry Fairbanks and Mrs. Bess Marshall, for a week. The three sisters enjoyed the visit of their brother and family. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gehr of Lima, Ohio. Mr. Gehr likes Ruidoso very much and plans on a return visit in the future.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Cassey of Lubbock, Texas, made a return visit to Ruidoso last week.

Dick Redmond and Bubbles Hill of El Paso spent several days in Ruidoso.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lackey spent Sunday week in the Ruidoso.

Mrs. Mae M. Ament of Alpine, Texas, and her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Dutch Gilbert, and family of Houston, Texas, were in the Carpenter cabin for several days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hughes of Ysleta, Texas, are spending the month in the Cashion cabin. They have three young ladies with them—their daughter Jackie, and her friends, Mary Weaver and Phil O'Dell.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Hildbrand and family of El Paso are in the Johnson cabin for a week.

Mrs. Melcomb Reese and family from Clovis, N. M., are spending ten days in the Andreas cabin.

Mr. and Mrs. I. S. (Heavy) Drake entertained with a dinner at the Central Grill Sunday night. Their guests were Mr. and Mrs. George McCarty.

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## WHERE YOU LEAD...

SOMEBODY is following you. Somebody is catching a glimpse of you as you thread your way through life and unconsciously going your way, perhaps merely because he knows no better direction to take.

The fatal power of leading others is inescapable. And nobody is so insignificant and commonplace that he does not determine by his example the life of someone else. People do things because others do, more than for any other reason. This is the strange force of crowds, where we are swept along by the cumulative power of example to do what in our sober judgment we never would have done.

A little of this pulling power rests in every one of us. No matter how small and inconsiderable a person you seem to yourself to be, someone is being led by you. Unconsciously, even more than consciously, you are making this world a better or a worse place, you are adding to its pile of happiness or its heap of misery, you are shedding light or spreading gloom.

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D. C. Carr and family, Crystal City, Texas.  
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Mr. Harrison Fendley and family, Bryan, Texas.  
Lt. Col. J. B. Miles and wife, Houston, Texas.  
Dr. D. W. Leach and family, Odessa, Texas.  
Mrs. Marion Kelton, Dallas, Texas.  
Miss Jean Duncan, Dallas, Texas.  
Ray Hanson and party, Carlsbad, N. M.  
Joe T. Hudson and family, Wichita Falls, Texas.  
Mr. and Mrs. Stevens, El Paso, Texas.  
G. K. Glass, El Paso, Texas.  
Capt. Hudson, Lt. Sims, and Lt. DeLong, Alamogordo, N. M.  
J. L. Naylor and family, El Paso, Texas.  
L. J. Reese and party, El Paso, Texas.  
Delbert Parnell and party, Hollywood, N. M.  
Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Bryant, Lubbock, Texas.  
Mr. and Mrs. James H. Bryant, Lubbock, Texas (honeymooners).  
Mrs. Steve Clay, Lubbock, Texas.

## El Rancho Ruidoso

Stanley Jones and family, Artesia, N. M.  
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Massey, Clovis, N. M.  
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Mr. and Mrs. Joe E. Lomax and party, Van Horn, Texas.  
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wyche, Lubbock, Texas.  
Mr. and Mrs. Edwin A. Machore, San Antonio, Texas.  
H. F. Blanchard and party, Sudan, Texas.  
Major Henry A. Cardon and family, El Paso, Texas.  
S. L. Jones and M. W. Jones, Artesia, N. M.  
Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Thomas and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kendrick, Brownfield, Texas.  
S. R. Fain and family, Plainview, Texas.  
Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Jamison, El Paso, Texas.  
Mr. and Mrs. Mac Ashworth and party, Tyler, Texas.  
Mr. and Mrs. Bob Poindexter and Mrs. Barker, Lordsburg, N. M.  
Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Rogers, Hobbs, N. M.  
J. C. Morris, Roswell, N. M.  
Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Webster, Phoenix, Ariz.

## New Building Permits

Building permits must be obtained before building in Ruidoso. Two permits were issued this week, one to G. B. Waltrip for \$1,000 and the other to C. A. Howard for \$2,000.

## New Range Chief For Southwest Forest Region

Albuquerque. — In personnel changes announced recently by Regional Forester P. V. Woodhead, Assistant Regional Forester Alvin A. Simpson became chief of range management for the Southwestern region of the U. S. Forest Service. Assistant Regional Forester A. A. McCutchen became chief of personnel management, and Supervisor Fred W. Johnson of the Kaibab National Forest received a promotional transfer to the Northern Rocky Mountain Region (Missoula, Mont.).

Simpson and McCutchen traded posts as part of a planned program to broaden the experience of regional division chiefs, said Regional Forester Woodhead. Johnson goes from the Kaibab, famous for its big game, to the position of wildlife management chief of the Northern Region.

As range management chief, Simpson has the benefit of nearly five years' experience in sheep ranching along with extensive Forest Service experience in the Western States, including duty as forest ranger, forest supervisor, range examiner, A. A. administrator and assistant regional forester. Starting with the Forest Service in 1909 as a district ranger in Wyoming, he served as deputy supervisor and forest supervisor in Colorado; was in private business from 1919 to 1924 as manager and part-owner of a ranch with 3600 head of sheep; returned to the Forest Service as a range examiner in Montana and Idaho; was forest supervisor in Montana for ten years, and served two years as associate director of the Prairie States Shelterbelt project.

On a detail lasting almost two years with the Agricultural Adjustment Administration, Simpson helped initiate and administer the A. A. range conservation program in 13 western states. He studied range conditions in those states. After four years as regional fire chief for the Southwestern Region, he became assistant regional forester in 1941.

Assistant Regional Forester McCutchen has been in the Forest Service 17 years, starting as assistant ranger in the Rocky Mountain region. He has served as district ranger, supervisor of the old Wichita National Forest, chief of wildlife management in the Rocky Mountain region, and forest supervisor in that region and the Northern region for seven years. In 1945 he was promoted to assistant regional forester and assigned to the Southwestern region.

Fred Johnson was in range and wildlife management work from the time he became a junior range examiner in the California region in 1929 until he became supervisor of the Kaibab National Forest in Arizona late in 1943. Previous to that he was chief of wildlife management for the Southwestern region, consisting of Arizona and New Mexico.

Selection of Johnson's successor on the Kaibab is pending, the Regional Forester stated.

## To Open Public Stenographer's Office

Ruidoso is to have a Public Stenographer's office open for business in a few days. The office will be in charge of Mrs. R. C. Cleveland and Miss Jetta Hall.

For the present these ladies will carry on their work from the Cleveland home, which is one block south of Clarke's Tailor Shop. They will also operate a sewing room, specializing in button holes and sport clothes. They will also do general dressmaking.

## Bottling Company Changes Owners


The Ruidoso Bottling Company has been purchased by Mr. A. J. Brandon of Roswell. Mr. Brandon with his wife and children have recently moved to Ruidoso and it is his intention to open the plant about the first of August. The company will make all flavors of soft drinks and will specialize in making Ruidoso Cola.

Mr. Brandon expects to operate

the bottling plant on a year around basis and serve Ruidoso and the surrounding territory.

Mr. Brandon recently was discharged from the United States Army after several years service. He has spent much time in the hospital since returning from overseas, where he contracted malaria fever.

The Incorporated Village of Ruidoso has requested all plumbers and electricians to inquire about performance bonds.




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