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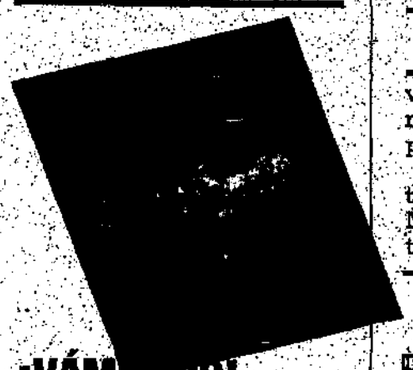

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Resident: Where's the water plan?

DICK WISNER SAYS PUBLIC SHOULD SEE DOCUMENT

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How can Ruidoso village councilors expect residents to comment on a 40-water plan for the village when no one was allowed to review the finished product, a river preservationist wants to know.

Last week, councilors were told that the water plan rejected by the New Mexico State Engineer's Office in 2003, then revised several times, was resubmitted to the state again, but without any additional review by the council.

"I'm not looking for people (to blame)," said Dick Wisner with the Ruidoso River Association. "I'm looking for a government body to approve it before (consultants and the water director) send in something the public hasn't seen. It's not been posted on the Web site.

"How can you ask for public input if they haven't read it? Do you think everyone knows that (water) rationing will go on forever to accommodate growth? I'll bet half our residents don't know."

Councilors voted to postpone action on acceptance of the plan until their Nov. 28 meeting to give time to determine if the village plan must be approved by the SEO, or simply submitted for review, as a consultant and the village water director contend.

Resident Dick Goines asked why the council spent $25,000 revising the first version of the report if it did not have to be accepted by the SEO.

The vote came after Mayor L. Ray Nunley said the council could accept the study as written, wait for more information or reject it.

Councilor James Stoddard told the mayor, "I don't think we're in a position to accept it, because we don't know (if the report must be approved by the SEO)."

Councilor Greg Cory agreed and asked that the report be converted to a format that can be posted on the village Web site, and be left at the public library in printed form.

In reviewing the history of the water

See **PLAN**, page 11A

SOCK IT TO 'EM

DIANNE STALLINGS/STAFF

KBUY radio announcer Perry Champion interviews Rutalee Todd, center, and Connie Russell about the Socks for Santa's Helpers drive. They are asking businesses to donate $50 and individuals to bring socks of all sizes and types to KBUY or Farm Bureau Financial Services in the Lincoln Tower, or to T.R.'s Market on Mechem/NM48 by Nov. 22. Todd said socks are requested in sizes for babies through adults in various styles – sports, dress and work, as part of the effort to bring holiday cheer to area families in need.

Hubbard sells Hobbs operation

■ Zia Park and Black Gold Casino go for $200 million

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It took several years of political and financial wrangling for R.D. Hubbard and associates to earn the right to build and own what became Zia Park in Hobbs.

Now, just over a year since the track opened and midway through its second full season of racing, Zia Park and Black Gold Casino is being sold by Zia Partners LLC to Penn National Gaming Inc. for $200 million.

The sale is subject to approval by the New Mexico Gaming Control Board, the New Mexico Racing Commis-

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Downs enforces phosphate ban

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RUIDOSO DOWNS – "Soft enforcement" is the order of the day in Ruidoso Downs as city officials work to hold to compliance businesses here that sell products containing phosphates, and as businesses work to serve their customers unimpeded.

Beginning Nov. 1, the sale and use of fertilizers and detergents containing phosphorous materials were severely restricted in the city, by order of the city council. The ordinances were passed, officials said, as a means of reducing the impact of phosphorous on the Rio Ruidoso. The measure also is intended to reduce phosphate levels at the regional wastewater treatment plant to .1 milligrams per liter, as ordered by the state environment department.

"We're enforcing compliance with our retailers from a position of education," John Waters, city manager, said this week. "We recognize that this requires new thinking. Code Enforcement did a walk-through of stores that sell detergents and fertilizer the first part of November and

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Election aftermath

Village might benefit from new-look county commission

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For the second time in the last decade, local voters elected the same person to serve on the Ruidoso Village Council and the Lincoln County Commission.

The last time around, L. Ray Nunley was serving on the commission in the late 1990s when he ran for the village council and won, then went on to be elected mayor in March. This time, Republican Don Williams first was elected to a four-year term on the council in 2004 and will be sworn-in as a county commissioner with two other new commissioners in January 2007.

Williams is replacing Maury St. John in District 2, who lived outside the village and was perceived by some voters as not representing village's interests at the county level.

"I see my role as being a bridge between the village and the county," Williams said Thursday. "I really don't think the hard feelings people talk about exist anymore and I'd like to use that to everybody's advantage.

"From the district's standpoint, I want to pursue the wildfire protection and the escape route from Upper Canyon to whatever degree the county can be involved in that. We're all in Lincoln County, and the issue also pulls in the U.S. Forest Service and the Mescalero Apache Tribe."

Williams said on the campaign trail, he received a great deal of encouragement about the dual representation role.

"Some people questioned a possible conflict of interest. I will do my best to avoid that, but I don't think I will have to work at it. I think I understand my responsibilities," he said.

He views lack of road maintenance as a problem, especially in the northern part of county. To better understand that situation and issues facing other communities in the county, Williams said he would like the commission to conduct meetings at other sites on a regular basis.

"It would show residents throughout the county that the commission cares and would give us an opportunity to understand their local problems," he said. "I found when I ran for the council that by attending the sessions of many of the appointed boards, they appreciated that I could see first-hand what they faced and I gained a better understanding."

He also would like to attend some of the municipal meetings in other commission

See **COUNTY**, page 8A

Former councilor elected in Mescalero

Voters of the Mescalero Apache Tribe returned three incumbents to the tribal council Tuesday and elected one former councilor.

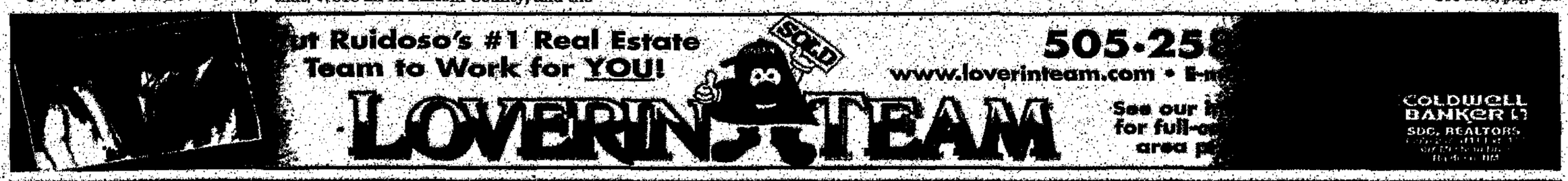
Larry Shay won another two-year term and led the pack with 509 votes, but close behind, Carleton Naiche-Palmer garnered 495 votes, enough to return him to a council chair he has not occupied since serving a two-year term in 1972-73.

Incumbent Raymond Kirgan won another term with 465 votes, as did Alfred La Paz with 459 votes.

Tribal Council member Oliver Enjady, a well-known artist and former tribal vice president, fell short of winning another term by three votes with 459.

Former tribal president Sara Misquez received 406 votes, Naomi Sainz took 387 votes and Sandra Platero, 377 votes.

The newly-elected members will be sworn into office after the first of the year.



THE COMMUNITY PAGE

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Veterans dedication

Friends of Historic Tularosa and The Village of Tularosa will dedicate the Tularosa Veterans Memorial at 11 a.m. Saturday at The Tularosa Veterans Park, 1050 North Bookout Rd.

Every Veteran attending will be honored with the presentation of a medallion, and those attending have been asked to wear service attire. A large number of area Veterans are expected to attend the dedication, and various state dignitaries have been invited. The Memorial Park and lighted flag display is highly visible from U.S. Highway 70.

The project began as a community service endeavor by the Tularosa group Friends of Historic Tularosa, while seeking community projects.

The design plan of the park is a rising spiraling circle, like ancient symbols of wind and life. The memorial will allow all who visit to forever remember the fallen, those who serve today, and our POW-MIA who have not returned home.

Contact Cynthia Prelo-Riedlinger at 505-585-4637, 505-491-4275 or cprtular@tularosa.net

Downs Vet ceremony

In celebration of Veterans Day, the members of the Robert J. Hagee Post 79 American Legion will hold their annual flag-raising ceremony at 11 a.m. Saturday at the American Legion Hall, Spring Road and Highway 70 East in Ruidoso Downs.

Immediately following there will be a get-together at the Downs Fire Department on Downs Drive across from the Police Station. Everyone is invited.

Capitan dinner

The Capitan area community invites everyone to an old-fashioned Thanksgiving Dinner from noon - 3p.m., Nov. 23 at the Capitan School Cafeteria.

Arrangements will be made for delivery of food or transportation for shut-ins.

Donations of any kind as well as volunteers are gladly accepted. Sign up sheets are located at the Capitan Public Library and the Capitan Village Hall.

Call 354-1033 between 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. for more information.

Downs Council

The next meeting of the Ruidoso Downs City Council is scheduled for 5:30 p.m., Nov. 13 at City Hall, 122 Downs Dr.

Agenda items include: approval of renewal agreement between the Village of Ruidoso and City of Ruidoso Downs in the capacity of Joint Use Board and Montgomery and Andrews P.A. for legal services; consider approving a second addendum to an agreement for professional services between the Village of Ruidoso and the City of Ruidoso Downs and Livingston & Associates, P.C.; consider approving Resolution No. 2006-14 modifying an employee of quarter program; consider endorsing and supporting Governor Richardson's investment partnership; consider approving an amendment to a resolution to provide that paper ballots cast at the Special General Obligation Bond Election be tallied; consider approving placement of new street lights; discussion and possible ap-proval of personnel request for the Planning and Zoning Department; consider approving recommendations from the Planning and Zoning Commis-sion and planning department of the city on a new zoning map.

A larger-than-expected crowd showed up at Ski Apache Saturday to get acquainted with the resort's new features for the 2006-07 winter season. Free gondola rides were part of the festivities.

COURTESY MIKE ORCUTT

Village Council

Ruidoso village councilors will sit down in a workshop today to discuss job responsibilities, criteria for hiring and the evaluation process for the future village manager.

The session will begin at 2 p.m. in the Ruidoso Public Library next to village hall on Kansas City Street and Cree Meadows Drive.

Village Manager Lorri McKnight resigned Tuesday after serving in that capacity since 2002. Her most recent one-year contract expired this month and she was scheduled for a two-day closed evaluation with councilors and a facilitator today and Saturday.

Prescribed burn

The Turkey Springs Burn went well according to the U.S. Forest Service and is being monitored as long as there are visible smokes on the burn site. Smoke should be minimal for the next several days. For questions or concerns contact the Smokey Bear Ranger Station at 257-4095.

Chamber donation

The Warehouse community youth center project and Big Brothers Big Sisters of Lincoln County recently were named recipients of funds generated in a silent auction held during Ruidoso Art Festival 2006 in April.

Each year artists participating in the festival donate handcrafted, original art for the event, Brad Treptow, executive director of the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce, sponsoring organization, said. This year more than $8,000 was raised at the festival, thanks to the generosity of the artists and festival attendees.

"We are pleased to be able to assist each of these important initiatives. One of the Chamber's objectives is to increase awareness this year on community issues in our area. The decision to donate to these important organizations will assist in achieving that goal," added Dr. Gary Jackson, chamber board president.

The Warehouse, a 6,200 square foot facility, is being built by the Community United Methodist, Church of Ruidoso with the help of private donations and through local fund-raising activities. When built, the facility will be staffed by church members and provide area youth with a safe, supervised place to meet. Plans call for a recreation space, a computer lab, an arts and crafts area, and meeting rooms with state-of-the-art computer and audio/visual equipment. Activities will be provided Weekend and after school programs also are to be offered.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Lincoln County matches young children with qualified adult volunteers in the community who befriend and mentor the youth toward positive goals, Deborah Abingdon, program coordinator, said.

The Ruidoso Art Festival is the Chamber's primary fund-raising event each year.

Lodgers reschedule

The Ruidoso Lodgers Tax Committee meeting for Nov. 9 has been re-scheduled for 1 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 16, at the Village of Ruidoso Break Room, 313 Cree Meadows Dr.

LCSWA Buy-back

The Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority will begin offering a 1 cent-per-pound buy-back incentive to increase newspaper recycling in Lincoln and Otero counties, the LCSWA Board learned at its Nov. 3 meeting. The incentive program will target school groups and other organizations seeking additional project funds.

Other action by the Board included approving establishment of a county-wide recycling committee with membership from across the county to advise the Authority on recycling issues. The Board further recommended creation of additional incentives and educational efforts to improve recycling participation and rates.

Also, the board heard the monthly Operational Supervisor Report highlighted by development of a $246,000 economic development proposal through the State's Economic Development Department to underwrite Phase III of the Lincoln County recycling system. Four new jobs would be created in addition to equipment purchase if funded. Requests for the 2007 Legislature of $1.1 million to support construction of the new Greentree Transfer Station and Recycling Center in Ruidoso Downs have also been made.

The board meets Nov. 17.

Special meeting

A joint meeting of the Ruidoso Downs City Council, Joint Use Board and Ruidoso Village Council will be held at 9 a.m. Monday at the Senior Center in Ruidoso at 501 Sudderth Dr.

The purpose of the special meeting is to discuss threatening and/or pending litigation in closed session. Agenda items also include review of amendments to the Joint Powers Agreement of the regional Waste Water Treatment Plant, among related issues.

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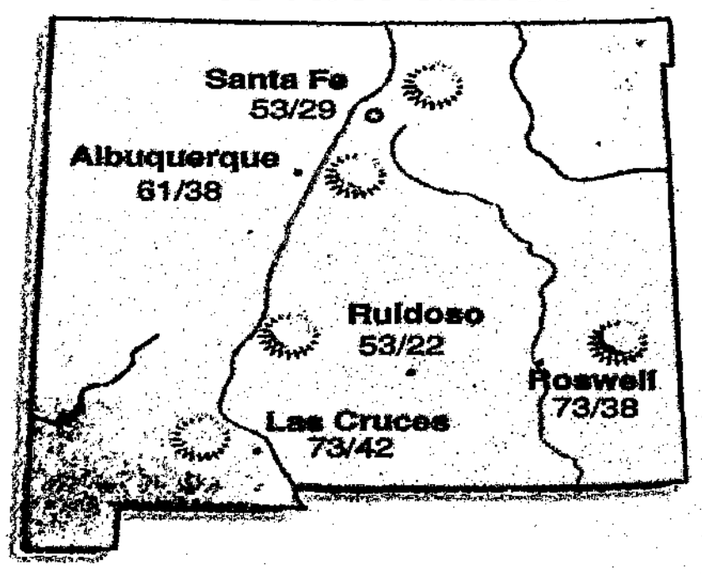

Moon Phases

Full Nov 5	Last Nov 12
New Nov 20	First Nov 28

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Fri	11/10	5	Moderate
Sat	11/11	5	Moderate
Sun	11/12	5	Moderate

The UV Index is measured on a 0-11 number scale, with a higher UV Index showing the need for greater skin protection. 0 [illegible] 11

Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Alamogordo	74	40	sunny	Grants	57	24	sunny	Santa Fe	53	29	sunny
Albuquerque	61	38	sunny	Guymon, OK	60	31	sunny	Santa Rosa	63	36	sunny
Carlsbad	75	40	sunny	Hobbs	77	44	sunny	Silver City	64	30	sunny
Chama	49	25	sunny	Las Cruces	73	42	sunny	Socorro	65	35	sunny
Clovis	62	30	sunny	Las Vegas	55	30	sunny	St. Johns, AZ	62	34	sunny
Deming	74	39	sunny	Lordsburg	73	39	sunny	Taos	45	17	mst sunny
El Paso, TX	74	43	sunny	Lubbock, TX	68	36	sunny	Trinidad, CO	53	32	mst sunny
Espanola	66	37	sunny	Odessa, TX	77	42	sunny	Truth or Consq.	68	41	sunny
Farmington	55	29	sunny	Raton	52	26	sunny	Tucson, AZ	80	51	sunny
Gallup	55	24	sunny	Roswell	73	38	sunny	Tucumcari	58	31	sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	78	52	mst sunny	Houston	87	58	pt sunny	Phoenix	83	57	sunny
Boston	56	42	sunny	Los Angeles	76	53	sunny	San Francisco	61	52	pt sunny
Chicago	47	32	rain	Miami	82	69	sunny	Seattle	47	41	rain
Dallas	77	47	mst sunny	Minneapolis	37	23	sn shower	St. Louis	62	38	t-storm
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New, unresolved findings mar audit of Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant

■ Plant exceeded budget, among other findings

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Ten new findings and seven unresolved findings from the previous year's audit were cited in a 2004-05 annual audit of the Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant owned by the Village of Ruidoso and City of Ruidoso Downs.

The village operates the plant and handles the finances.

The audit prepared by Ed Fierro, certified public accountant, for the year ending June 30, 2005, noted among other things, that the village lacked a recovery system if the computer accounting system crashes and data is lost.

He wrote that a general ledger was maintained on a cash, not accrual basis of accounting; that a formal accounting policies and procedures manual was lacking; and that despite the terms of a joint power agreement in 1974 to create a separate entity to operate the plant, Village officials treated the plant as a department rather than a separate legal entity.

Fierro noted that where Village officials have not complied with state statutes, criminal penalties could be imposed.

He criticized an arrangement, previously noted in a special state audit of village contracts, with then-Village attorney H. John Underwood whereby consultants and water attorneys were engaged by Underwood on behalf of the plant without a request for proposals for professional service and without specific village council approval.

In response, Village officials wrote that a new attorney was hired and RFPs were issued for all water consultants and engineers, resulting in contracts between the village and each provider of service.

The plant also exceeded its authorized budget by $38,586, Fierro noted. In a random review of travel and per diem reports, the auditor found that three of four transactions tested lacked a signature by the employee certifying the travel incurred.

In the response to the auditor's findings, administration officials wrote that the village systems coordinator is working on a disaster recovery policy for the village to be completed by the end of the 2006-07 fiscal year; that village staff is working on a formal accounting policies and procedures manual for the village council and management to adopt and to be completed by the end of the 2006-07 fiscal year; and that the village is trying to meet audit submission deadlines, but that a previous delay on the 2003-04 audit pushed back other delivery dates.

Village officials explained in their responses that entries between the plant's regular budget and its capital improvement budget needed corrections, and in the future, the finance department will reconcile monthly with plant records to ensure entries to the general ledger are correctly posted.

They stated that employees sign forms prior to traveling that state the dollar amount received. Actual invoices must be returned to the executive secretary to certify refunds or additional money to be paid. They are updating a resolution establishing a policy for employee travel expenses this year to correct the policy and to bring it up to date with state statutes, they wrote.

In reference to the treatment of the plant as a village department, Fierro found that a separate entity must be created to comply with state statutes and that the plant should have its own checking account with no intermingling of money with village or city accounts.

"By treating the plant as a department rather than a separate legal entity, the village has misreported financial information to various other government entities," the auditor wrote. "For example, the payroll reports to the Internal Revenue Service contain the wages of employees who provided services to the plant. All payroll activity has been reported to the IRS, the state Taxation and Revenue Department and the state Public Employee Retirement Association as activity belonging to the village. The employees have accrued vacation and sick leave based on the policies established by the village, rather than the plant."

The administration's response stated that on June 7 the Village received a new federal ID number for the plant's Joint Use Board. City and Village officials are reviewing how the plant should be set up and the JUB will approve new guidelines.

Prior year findings that remain unresolved are:

• The plant's subsidiary capital asset database records were not maintained and controlled by authorized personnel.

• The plant's permanent balance sheet accounts, excluding cash, were posted incorrectly or partially omitted from posting and were not subsequently reconciled to amounts reported in the annual audit report, which distorted opening balances for the current year.

• The plant's financial reporting processes are in need of a formal accounting policies and procedures manual.

• There was no approved information system disaster recovery or technology in place.

• The audit report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004, was not submitted to the New Mexico State Auditor on a timely basis.

• The plant procured professional services contracts with the use of emergency procurement provisions, departing from the competitive bid provisions.

• The Village had not performed the annual physical counts and related reconciliations of the plant's capital assets as required by regulatory provisions.

Rural water group to conduct training

The New Mexico Rural Water Association (NMRWA) will conduct several training sessions around the state for water system personnel before the end of the year.

The sessions will be free, but pre-registration and verification of time and location is highly recommended. Pre-register by calling the NMRWA at 1-800-819-9893 or 505-884-1031.

Classes are open to everyone and credits are awarded for actual time in attendance. Classes with (ERG) following the title are part of the Expense Reimbursement Grant program, and attendees may be eligible for some reimbursement if certain criteria are met.

Check out the Web site at www.nmrwa.org for details on the program.

The schedule is as follows:

• Nov. 15 – SCADA (Supervisory Control And Data Acquisition) (ERG) – Las Cruces

• Nov. 15-16 – Small Water System Operation and Maintenance – Clayton

• Nov. 30 – Intermediate Water Math (ERG) – Cimarron

• Dec. 5 – Laboratory Procedures (ERG) – Artesia

• Dec. 7 – Intermediate Water Math (ERG) – San Felipe

• Dec. 7-8 – Small Water System Operation and Maintenance – Roswell

• Dec. 12-14 – Operator Certification Fundamentals and Practice Exam (ERG) – Acoma

Some classes are scheduled for 2007, and registrations are being taken at this time for all sessions by phone, email or fax.

New Mexico Rural Water Association, a non-profit, membership-based organization, provides technical and board assistance, training support and legislative representation for all rural and small water systems throughout the state.

For more information about NMRWA, call or visit the office, 3413 Carlisle Blvd. NE, Albuquerque, or visit the Web site at www.nmrwa.org.

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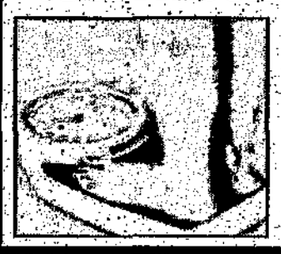
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OUR OPINION

McKnight's resignation not a shocker

Sometimes the microscope gets too hot

Ruidoso Village Manager Lorri McKnight resigned abruptly Tuesday, citing an opportunity to take a position in the private sector.

Using accrued vacation time, she apparently will not be at the wheel during her last two weeks on the job. Though Deputy Manager Bill Morris is in the wings, there is no timetable for her replacement – a concern in some quarters in both Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs, given the impending bond election on the Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant expansion, which was already considered a hard sell.

The party line from Village Hall was basically a hearty farewell and thanks for a difficult job well done. There have been few attempts to read anything into the resignation.

Those who have been around the block once or twice will note that the timing avoids a protracted evaluation process for a manager who only a year ago had her contract renewed on a 4-3 tie-breaker by then-Mayor Leon Eggleston.

Those who read between the lines will also note that the manager's role was criticized in both this year's special state audit and the recently released annual audit for 2004-05.

It had become evident in recent months that support for the manager from at least half this Village Council – perhaps a majority – was lukewarm at best. Some of the opposition is rooted in stormy relations with the previous council over questions of competence and cooperation.

In the meantime, McKnight had been riding a wave that provided the benefit of the doubt and support from Mayor L. Ray Nunley.

Ruidoso, with a full-time population of only 7,500, is no typical small town reposed in a decades-long slumber. It is bigger than its size, a resort community whose population periodically swells and whose destiny is subject to outside pressures. The manager is paid the big bucks to guide a municipality through a period of growth, rising taxes, tenuous resources and an aging infrastructure.

Big bucks, however, don't always pay the freight on personal stress. At the end of the day, when we face our families and search the quiet moments for what we want out of life, we might conclude the money and standing are not worth it, that there are other callings to pursue.

Councilor Ron Hardeman probably was the most forthright when he surmised in Wednesday's paper that McKnight had been "wearing down" for some time and resigned for "her own well-being and that of her family."

That's something we can all relate to. We thank the outgoing manager for service rendered and wish her – and her community – the best.

County commission gets a facelift

Changes could benefit Ruidoso

The Lincoln County Commission today has a radically new look; the election turned over three-fifths of the board's membership.

Whether that translates into uncharted flights of philosophy or policy remains to be seen; it can be argued, however, that the change benefits Ruidoso and puts to rest a Civil War in which the Village threatened only last year to secede from Lincoln County.

The transformation will be most apparent in District 2, where Ruidoso Councilor Don Williams replaces Maury St. John. Look for Williams to bring a more "urban" approach to planning matters and to be perceived as more "Ruidoso-centric" than St. John.

Williams, by dint of his current Village position, will carry concurrent representation to the village and county. This link is not a panacea for any misunderstandings that occasionally divide the two entities, but politically it can't hurt and culturally the differences might assume a healthier, more interesting interaction. They might actually be welcomed.

In fact, the county-village dynamic seems to be evolving favorably at a time when the two entities are forced into mutual, regional solutions to so many issues.

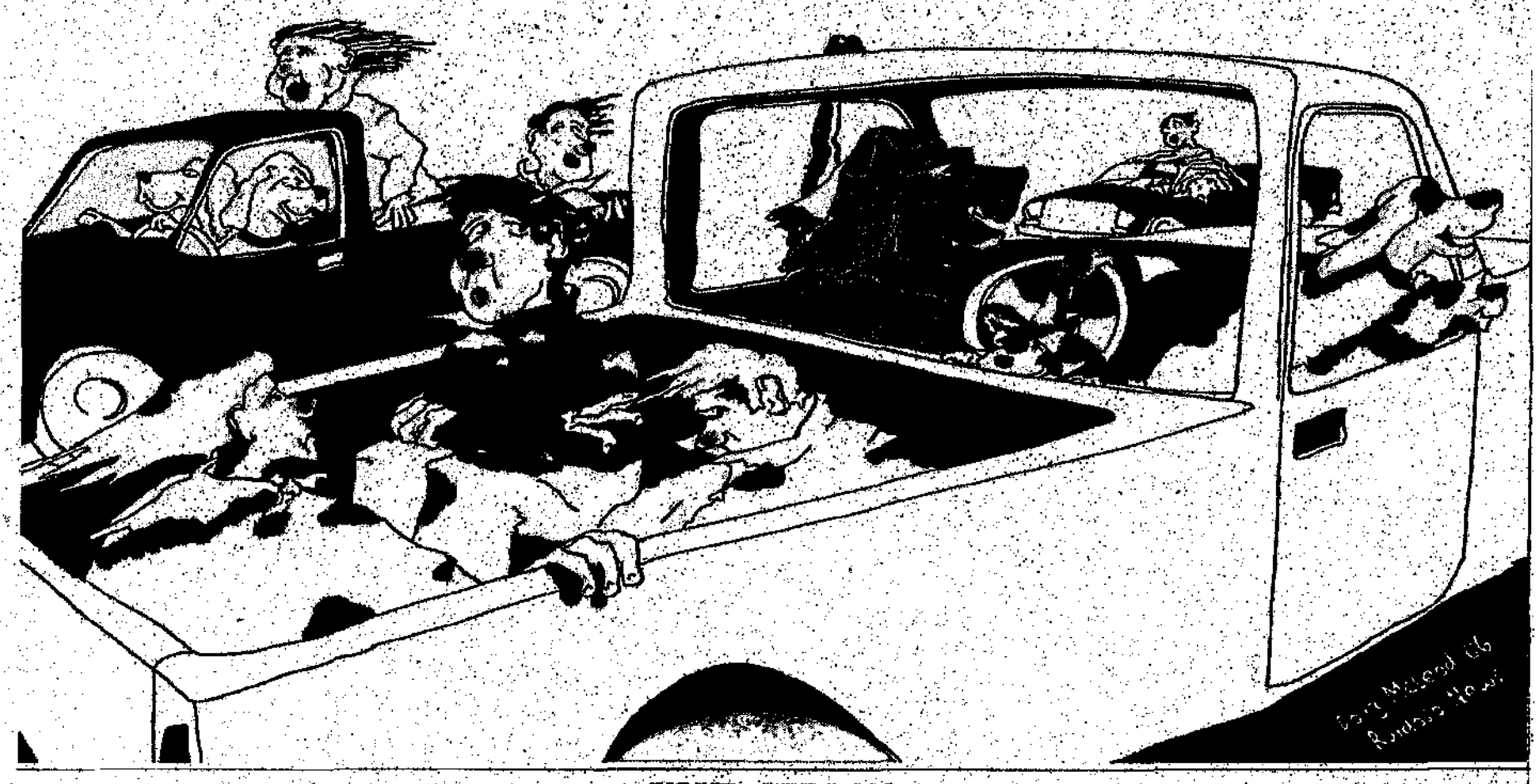
In District 4, the personality will assuredly change. Gone is Earl Hobbs, he of the oratory and occasional bellicosity. In his seat is Dave Parks – low key, affable and seen as a peace-maker.

In District 5, water activist Jackie Powell replaces Commission Chair Rick Simpson, who ran up against term limits. That means the board is now without its two most recent "ruralists" or traditionalists – Simpson and his predecessor Rex Wilson.

What Simpson and Wilson stood for – the Western ideal of self-reliance, personal freedoms, mistrust of centralized power and love of the wide open spaces – is undoubtedly worth saving. That is why we are all here – ruralists and urbanites both. But the future will be shaped in new alliances and by more planning, with a proactive county government.

With holdovers Eileen Lovelace and Tom Battin, Lincoln County has a completely new board from just two years ago. If nothing else, with the departure of Hobbs and St. John its meetings may get shorter.

If the tables were turned...



YOUR OPINION

Capitan: Trustee Wood should resign

To the editor:

AN OPEN LETTER to Capitan Trustee Lilly Wood:

The position of Village Trustee is an office of trust, honesty and integrity. All of those qualities were compromised when you took it upon yourself to make a decision of poor judgment.

During the last regular meeting of the Capitan Board of Trustees a respected village resident publicly asked you to resign. Once again many concerned citizens of Capitan request your resignation as Village Trustee for the following reasons:

You violated judicial standards by including your name, as a candidate for judge, in an ad with a slate of Village Trustee candidates.

You did not run for the office of Village Trustee. According to law the next highest vote-getter, Tom Sullivan, should have been appointed. You were not elected to the office of Trustee. You ran for judge and were defeated. You have compromised the integrity of the position of Village Trustee by accepting the job.

You wrote a letter of complaint against then Police Chief Robert Bird, furthering a scheme to dismiss employees of the Village of Capitan. This violated his civil rights. You have lost community respect, confidence and trust, by subsequently passing judgment on Chief Bird.

You wrote a letter to the Capitan Mayor, Sammy Hammons, for and on behalf of Mr. Puckett, complaining about Mr. Puckett's treatment by then Lt. Randy Haskins.

According to Mr. Puckett, "you wrote the letter in your own words against a village employee" and then voted for his dismissal.

You then *lied*, during a public meeting, to the people of Capitan, who you swore to represent, that you did not write this letter. As a former candidate for judge, that action puts into question your standards for honesty and fairness.

You finally admitted to the *Ruidoso News* that you did write the letter after Mr. Puckett's recorded phone conversation was printed in the newspaper.

Through dishonesty and deception you have placed yourself and the Village of Capitan in legal jeopardy. Your actions could result in costing you and the Village of Capitan thousands of dollars to defend your indefensible past actions.

It is obvious that the Mayor and other Trustees are not going to take action and request your resignation.

Therefore, on behalf of all tax-paying residents of Capitan and all residents of Lincoln County who use the services of Capitan and support its economic base, I urge you to please resign now.

Harold Finkelstein
Capitan

Big Al will be missed

To the editor:

I NEVER HAD THE opportunity to meet "Big Al" Junge, and I deeply regret that.

With each issue of the *News* I would look for his name on the letters page and read him first to see who or what he was taking to task. His "gentle reminders" to the mayor, council members, scoundrels and clergy alike served to remind us that in a true representative form of government we must constantly keep our eyes on those representatives, because, as Junge said in his last letter, "the taxpayers should be given all the facts."

I can only hope that someone can fill his shoes so that the taxpayers of the village continue to get all the facts.

Big Al will be missed.

Homer Peters
Ruidoso

Lions 'needs assessment'

To the editor:

THE RUIDOSO VALLEY Noon Lions Club is part of Lions Clubs International, which is the largest service organization in the world (1.3 million members in 44,000 clubs in 200 countries). Lions Clubs answer the needs that challenge the communities of the world by tackling tough problems like blindness, drug abuse prevention and diabetes awareness.

The Ruidoso Valley Noon Lions Club currently provides the following services to Ruidoso and other communities in Lincoln County as well as Mescalero: photo eye screening of children ages 1-6 years (to identify numerous vision conditions which if left unattended and not treated can lead to learning/reading problems or even blindness); purchasing eye exams and glasses for folks who can-

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The pizza had to pay for something

We rolled into Aspen and caught the headline in the *Aspen Daily News:*

ICE RAID PUTS HEAT ON ILLEGALS

Seems there was a big sweep in September in the Roaring Fork Valley, which no doubt put a small dent in the Aspen service industry.

ON SECOND THOUGHT
MARTY RACINE

The ensuing story reported on Operation Return to Sender, which targeted illegal immigrants throughout west-central Colorado. Thirty-four people without proper documentation were apprehended, of whom some were returned to Mexico.

The operation "sent shock waves throughout the valley's Latino community," the article stated, as if an entire segment of the population formed a parallel nation.

We were hundreds of miles from the Mexican border, but this could have been Ground Zero for the illegal immigration issue – all because of a former mining community that evolved into a glamorous ski town for the rich and famous.

A companion piece in the *Daily News* related Colorado immigration laws and their unintended consequences for the labor force around Aspen. A local state representative is quoted: "How can we be critical of private employers when perhaps the state didn't have its house in order."

The area has seen unprecedented immigration, the article went on, with the state representative summing up, "I'd say the Roaring Fork Valley is the center of the universe on this issue."

There you have it. The result: Rush-hour commuter traffic clogging the highway west of Aspen, a highway that has an HOV (High Occupancy Vehicle) lane like any big-city freeway; ranchland paved over by subdivisions and accompanying urban sprawl; million-dollar homes within a picture-window view of stunning peaks and trailer parks; cultural fragmentation.

Ruidoso, you don't want this. You don't want to be Aspen. It's too rich and too poor, too high-end and too low-end, too full of its mystique, supported by a caste system that seems imported from some Third World country.

However –

There is a side of Aspen from which Ruidoso can learn. The town has a longer history in dealing with growth-related issues, and within the city limits is a place that seems comfortable in its own skin.

For all its fancy addresses, Aspen itself is remarkably understated. Residential neighborhoods are unassuming and well-preserved. The downtown shopping area has a few condos and modern touches, but mostly it consists of historic, mostly brick, buildings. Chain motels and fast-food restaurants are nowhere in sight. Parks and green-space define the fringes.

In short, Aspen looks like a Rocky Mountain resort that has dealt with its evolution and defined it in its present-day image.

And there we were, sauntering downtown, my walking partner window-shopping in every store for clothes and home furnishings she can't afford, ogling art pieces we'd never take home.

We had to eat at Mezzaluna, the upscale restaurant Rachel Ray visited on her Food Network program. Among its fare: wood-oven pizzas.

So we were lunching in this modern Italian bistro, a rather friendly sort of place – and ordered a modest-sized pizza, a couple of salads and two drinks.

The bill: $60. Tip: another $10.

You've got to pay for the busboy somehow.

THE WATER FEATURE: POLITICS, HISTORY, OPINION

Growth must be restrained until new water supplies are tapped

William S. Midkiff, Ph.D, P.E.
Ruidoso

These comments are a review of my verbal comments at the Village Council meeting on Oct. 31, 2006, in which a discussion of the Village 40-year water plan was held.

From comments that night, it appeared that 2,300 acre-feet is a reasonable approximation of our minimum water availability during recent drought conditions. That number is close enough to use for identifying the population our present water supply will support.

We know that this water quantity was low enough to put the Village into Phase 5 of their water "conservation" restrictions.

I use "conservation" in quotes because "rationing" is a more definitive term. Fixing leaks and utilizing low-flow plumbing fixtures is "conservation." Limiting water use in a manner that reduces quality of life is "rationing."

When "rationing" is used so growth can be accommodated, we have redistribution of property. I don't think anyone on the council would consider taking real property from the residents and giving it to newcomers to support growth. I don't think they would take money from the residents and offer it to newcomers to encourage growth.

They should not be doing that with the water that can rightfully be expected by the residents.

Protection of the health, safety and welfare (including quality of life) of the residents is the first responsibility of our government.

So, was allowing conditions for Phase 5 to develop okay? Not in my opinion. We need to correct the problem in several stages.

First, we must quantify the population at the time we were in Phase 5. That is, we must quantify the number of homes, the occupancy rate, and the visitor population in a way that is useful for establishing a baseline. This will be our crisis number.

Second, we must calculate what additional water quantity is needed (from other locations where real water is available, physically and legally) to have returned us from Phase 5 to Phase 1. Phase 1 should be the level that frees the residents from rationing.

As water conservation measures are actually working, such as reduced leakage and more low-flow plumbing fixtures, the water requirement to sustain Phase 1 can be gradually reduced, but not until there is evidence that the water use has actually been reduced.

We cannot justify any more hookups to water taps in the Village until the second stage is complete and that additional water supply is in place. This is the action that should take place before any increased demand on our water supply is allowed.

Third, we must calculate the amount of additional water that is obligated by the Village. The Village is obligated to supply additional water to every residence whose use changes from part-time occupancy to full-time occupancy. We cannot justify any more hookups to water taps in the village until the third stage is complete and more additional water supply is in place.

Fourth, lots that do not yet have taps, or expanded use from a single taps such as motels, condominiums, etc., should only be allowed once enough water supply is actually in place to satisfy the third stage and to satisfy the surplus that will be needed to supply the additional growth demand. Put the water in place first. Don't play catch up.

Where will this new water come from? I don't know. Population growth in Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, the United States, and the world is becoming an intrusive factor. Some regions will control population and protect their quality of life. Other regions will experience crowding with a reduced quality of life, or at least a different quality of life from the one we have enjoyed and expect to continue in Ruidoso.

In developing our water supply, we must first restore, protect and maintain our surface water and lakes. That means we must evaluate the cost of importing water from other basins or from great depths (which will undoubtedly be brackish and create treatment waste disposal problems).

This is a very difficult problem and water will control the population that can be supported. Only if growth is restrained until new water supplies are actually in place can our desired quality of life in Ruidoso be protected.

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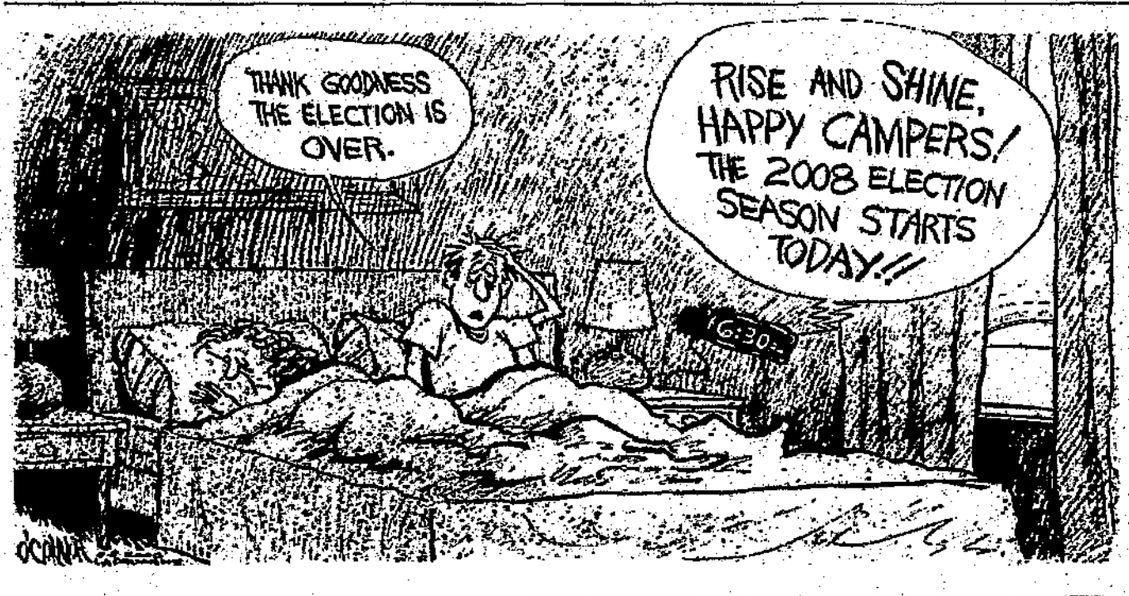

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not afford them; administering funds to legally blind folks in obtaining Low Vision Intensification Machines and leader dogs; diabetes testing and prevention; support of the leader Dog Project and NM Lions Eye Bank; recycling used eyeglasses; support of the Stranger Danger Project; the administering of Lions Clubs International Foundation funds to local communities for disasters such as the Kokopelli fire that occurred several years ago; and providing financial and substance support for Christian Services, Lincoln County HeadStart, the Lincoln County Food Bank, and the New Horizons Developmental Center (Carrizozo).

The club is also an active sponsor of community projects such as the Cancer Society's Relay for Life, Run for the Beach, Festival of Lights, Santa's Helpers and Big Brothers Big Sisters.

The club conducts two major fundraisers each year (a Gun and Collectibles Show in May and an Antiques show in August), which are always successful because of the great support of local businesses and residents.

For the past several years, the club has raised in excess of $22,000 annually, which in turn is used to fund our community service projects.

The club will conduct a retreat in the very near future, and one of the main items to be covered is a reassessment of the club's service projects to ensure the most important and pressing community needs are being addressed.

Your input is requested and welcomed. We would also like to take this opportunity to invite you to become a member of the Ruidoso Valley Noon Lions Club.

The only qualification required is a sincere desire to make our community a better place for all. We meet every Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. at Cree Meadows Restaurant. Please join us sometime.

Please contact President Gary (336-2696; gahenry@valornet.com) or Secretary Bryson McCool (257-0363; brymccool@valornet.com) to provide your suggestions.

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Free seminar on customer relations planned

The business community is invited to attend, "It's All About the Customer," a three-hour seminar presented by Dr. Jeff Weinrach of Quality New Mexico.

The event is free of charge and scheduled for 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. and 1-4 p.m., Friday, Nov. 17 at the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce, 720 Sudderth Dr.

Quality New Mexico uses the Baldrige Criteria for Performance Excellence to help organizations improve their performance and attain excellence, which is primarily determined by customers.

"Therefore, understanding your customers and putting processes in place to meet their expectations is necessary if you want to achieve and sustain excellence," said event organizer Steven Snidow.

Weinrach currently serves as the Awards Administrator for Quality New Mexico and the New Mexico Quality Awards, overseeing hundreds of volunteer examiners who review applications submitted by organizations that seek to improve their performance. Prior to serving as Awards Administrator, Weinrach served as an Examiner, a Senior Examiner, a member of the Panel of Judges, and Lead Judge for the New Mexico Quality Awards. He has over 15 years of experience in the areas of quality and systems performances.

A mixer lunch, provided by Savories will be held for attendees to either session. Seating is limited. To register or for more information, call Snidow at 937-5544 by Nov. 15.

It's All About the Customer luncheon is sponsored by Zia Natural Gas Co. and Seonometrics.

Investment made in winter recreation

■ Changes at Ruidoso Winter Park cost operators $170,000 but is expected to be repaid through improved ridership efficiency

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Twice the capacity. That is what Ruidoso Winter Park is aiming for this season with the installation of new chutes and lifts.

Tom Dorgan, proprietor, said this year the park offers patrons two magic carpet lifts that eliminate the need to hook up to a cable tow, "increasing capabilities all the way around."

"What we've installed are moving sidewalks much like what you would find in an airport," Dorgan explained.

In previous years, park patrons would connect to a mechanical lift that would drag them to the top of the mountain while nuzzled inside an inner-tube.

"With this new system, all a person has to do is step onto a virtual conveyor belt and be whisked to the top of the mountain," he said. "The tubes are still located at the base and are carried by their rider onto the magic carpet."

The conveyors, stretching 180 feet and 250 feet each, transport tubers to their choice of eight chutes located in the main area; the shortest of these a 600 foot slide and the longest 800 feet.

In years past, some 35,000 visitors have been received at the park each year but Dorgan said that the new lifts are expected to speed things up for patrons and operators, making it possible for ridership to double and for profits to increase.

"We're going to employ the same amount of people this year as previous years but instead of using so many as starters we will be able to place people at the bottom of the run to help riders get out of their tubes and off the slopes faster," he said. "The sooner we can clear the area, the sooner we can send the next person down the chute."

Investments in park changes this year, totaling $170,000, also will save owners money.

The installation of a conveyor belt means that snow will not have to be made to cover a lift-line.

"This will allow us to concentrate on the chutes, making sure they have plenty of well-groomed snow," Dorgan said.

Snowmaking is expected to begin next week with Thanksgiving Day slated as a tentative opening for the 2006-07 season.

"We're looking forward to a good year," said Dorgan.

Ruidoso Winter Park is the only winter recreation outlet in the area outside of Ski Apache, which offers high-altitude snow skiing and snowboarding beginning Nov. 24, weather permitting. The park is open 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Fri.-Sun. and will make available evening inner-tubing on select days.

For information on snow park tubing schedules, rates, and promotions, call 336-7079. A Web site also can be viewed at www.ruidoso.net/winter-park/.

Ruidoso Winter Park is located /14 miles west of Hwy. 40 (north Mechem to Alto) on lower Ski Run Road and offers some 400 inner-tubes in styles that can accommodate single to multiple riders.

DEANNA CHENEY/STAFF

Tom Dorgan, owner of Ruidoso Winter Park, shows off one of two new, veritable speed magic carpet lifts installed at the recreation center for use this season. The conveyor belt replaces a mechanical tow lift previously used to pull inner-tube riders to the top of the mountain.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Realtor welcome

Ruidoso Land is pleased to welcome Gina Lorraine Zambrano to its offices at 1210 Mechem Dr. Gina is recently relocated to Ruidoso from Florida and is experienced in commercial, residential and vacant land sales. She has been in real estate since 1996 and holds a New Mexico real estate license.

Zambrano

Zambrano is a member of the Ruidoso Board of Realtors, RANM, NAR, Ruidoso Athletic Club and serves as a volunteer for Ruidoso Hospice and Home Care. Her top priority is her "commitment to and involvement in the community," she said.

To arrange an opportunity to meet with Zambrano call Ruidoso Land at 258-2550.

New distributor

Kendra Marquez has joined SeneGence International as a Distributor for the direct-seller of cosmetics and skin care products. SeneGence international, founded in 1999 by Joni Rogers-Kante, has become a pioneer in long-lasting cosmetics and anti-aging skin care products. The company began with a desire to offer women an opportunity to be independent and successful regardless of age, background or education. Today, there are nearly 5,000 independent distributors and 250,000 customers in the U.S., Canada and Australia. It is headquartered in Newport Beach, Calif.

Consumer bank check

To determine if a bank is FDIC insured and to check an institutions financial rating, citizens can visit the FDIC's Bank Find page @ http://www2.fdic.gov/idasp/mair.bankfind.asp.

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found a few things that still need addressing. But, for the most part, store managers have been good about complying [with our ordinances].

When visiting Wal-Mart, Steve Dunigan, head of code enforcement, said all boxed laundry detergent products on shelves after Nov. 1 were in full compliance, with the exception of one product from Mexico that exceeded the allowed levels.

Liquid and gel detergents designed for machines that did not meet acceptable levels are to be sold in the store until the current inventory is depleted, he said.

"Wal-Mart has agreed to stop re-supplying these detergents after that," Store Manager Raymond Simpson added.

Additionally, fertilizers carried by Wal-Mart that contain phosphates are to be shipped to Alamogordo for sale in Otero County.

"We haven't heard any complaints from our customers but I'm not sure they will understand how it affects them until they come into the store and can't find what they're looking for anymore," Simpson said. "We've posted the ordinances on our front doors but I don't think people are paying any attention."

Like Wal-Mart, Conley's Nursery is wrestling with compliance of the ordinances in view of the "big picture." Nursery owner Ted Conley said he does not see fertilizer as a primary culprit of phosphate pollution.

"Right now I'm not really selling fertilizer because it's winter but in the spring I will have to face that," Conley said. "At that time, the Department of Agriculture is who I will look at. If they come in and say I'm legal to sell certain fertilizers in the state then, yes, I'm going to continue to sell fertilizers with phosphates like the other nurseries in the area. Is anyone going to tell the nurseries in the village that they cannot sell fertilizer with phosphates?"

Conley said he does not doubt that the City of Ruidoso Downs is trying to do the right thing to be "better stewards of the environment," but said he is not sure that the ordinance against fertilizer is the answer.

"Plants and grass use up the phosphates, that's how they grow," he said. "There is an enormous problem with phosphorous up and down the valley for reasons other than fertilizer. What will they do about that, is the question."

Waters said he recognizes that to truly stem the problem of phosphates in the Rio Ruidoso, a concerted effort would have to be made far outside of city limits, but said the movement had to begin somewhere and the city opted for a leadership role.

"We're hoping our neighbors will see what we've come up with and how it can work and pass similar ordinances or measures," he said.

In April, Steve Baumgarn with the Surface Water Quality Bureau of the State Environment Department, said his department supports the City in its efforts to reduce phosphate contaminates in the Ruidoso River from fertilizer carried by storm water runoff and from dishwasher and laundry detergents.

Joint partners of the waste water treatment plant were cited for too high a level of phosphate at the plant and have been sued by the Forest Guardians.

Councilors passed the ordinance in May to prohibit the sale and use of any fertilizer on lawns within city limits if it contained more than zero percent phosphorous or other compounds containing phosphorous. A series of three public hearings were held in February, April and May 2005.

Dish wash detergents designed for domestic use, which contain phosphorous may be sold and used in the city provided that those products do not exceed 2.5 percent of phosphorous or seven grams of phosphorus by weight, the detergent ordinance stipulates.

For commercial machines, the concentration of phosphates allowed is determined by "the current applicable method prescribed" by the American Society for Testing and Materials, and therefore appears palpable for restaurant owners and others who use industrial dishwashing machines.

> **"There is an enormous problem with phosphates up and down the valley for reasons other than fertilizer."**
>
> Ted Conley
> Conley's Nursery

"What we've asked from restaurant operators who have a commercial grade dishwashing system is that they apply for a permit yearly and undergo inspections to make sure they are in compliance," Dunigan said. "Everybody seems willing to do this so we do not foresee any problems."

Restaurant operators have been asked to calibrate settings that will allow their machines to clean and dysinfect with the minimum amount of detergent necessary and to have those settings certified by industry representatives who perform routine maintenance on them.

The penalty for violations of the phosphate ordinances begins at $250 for the first offense and jumps to $500 for the second and subsequent offenses within a 12-month period.

Copies of ordinances governing phosphate products in the city are available for public review at Ruidoso Downs City Hall, 122 Downs Dr.

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Get ready for telephone area code 575

■ Public Regulation Commission allows the more populated areas of the state to retain 505

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The New Mexico Public Regulation Commission voted today to allow a five-county "Area B" that includes Albuquerque, Santa Fe, Gallup, Farmington, Las Vegas, Española and most of the Navajo Nation, to retain the 505 telephone area code.

Counties in Area A that includes the southern and eastern portions of the state, covering Ruidoso, Las Cruces, Alamogordo, Roswell, Silver City, Deming, Clovis, Raton and Taos, will fall under the new 575 area code.

Commission members anticipate implementation of the new area code will take up to 27 months.

"This has happened to a lot of communities throughout the nation," Ruidoso Mayor L. Ray Nunley said. "Just look at the Dallas and Houston areas. I don't want to lose my 505 prefix, but when I had a 257 number, I didn't want to lose that either.

"I think change with the exploding population in the Southwest is inevitable. I'm not necessarily for (the new number), but I'm realistic enough to know we're going to have to accept it."

Nunley said when Arkansas changed its area code, state officials provided for almost a year that if someone dialed the wrong code, it would be routed to the new.

"It think it will be easier than we think, although not as easy as 505," he said.

Councilor Don Williams, who also was elected Tuesday to the Lincoln County Commission, said, "They claim the way it was done would affect the least amount of people, but I can't believe that 80 percent of the geographical area of the state has fewer people and a potential for lower growth than the Albuquerque, Santa Fe and Four-Corners area."

The Lincoln County Commission previously sent letters and a resolution urging the retention of 505 for southern New Mexico, arguing that businesses and residents in that part of the state are less able to bear the expenses connected to the change.

PRC members last week reached a consensus that the geographic split is the preferred alternative for adding another area code for New Mexico.

Today, a majority of the commission adopted the order with Area B retaining the 505 area code and Area A getting the new 575 area code.

PRC Chairman Ben R. Lujan (Dist. 3, Nambé), Vice-chairman Jason Marks (Dist. 1, Albuquerque), and Commissioner Lynda Lovejoy (Dist. 4, Crownpoint) voted in favor of Area B retaining the 505 area code.

Commissioners David King (Dist. 2, Alamogordo) and E. Shirley Baca (Dist. 5, Las Cruces) maintained their support of the Area A retaining the 505 area code, according to information from the commission.

Difficult decision

Lujan said the decision of which area was to get the new 575 area code and which would retain the 505 area code was very difficult for him, because District 3 represents communities that are within both Area B and Area A.

"I grew up in a rural area and represent rural and metropolitan areas," Lujan said. "This has been an extremely difficult decision because Commission District 3 is split the most, and I have had to weigh the impact of each alternative."

Marks said his decision was based on the consideration of creating the lowest impact on the largest number of people, which he said would occur with the Area A getting the 575 area code.

"I think change with the exploding population in the Southwest is inevitable. I'm not necessarily for the new number, but I'm realistic enough to know we're going to have to accept it.."

L. Ray Nunley
Ruidoso mayor

Baca and King said they based their choices for Area A to have the 505 area code on the number of constituent requests within their district.

Commissioners conducted 16 public hearings throughout the state to hear from residents and business people. They received more than 1,300 comments through the special PRC www.nm575.info Web site and by telephone.

Details about the implementation schedule will be worked out when the commission meets with representatives of the telecommunication companies.

Capitan put on notice

■ Fired Police Chief Robert Bird has retained an attorney

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The Village of Capitan has been put on notice "pursuant to the New Mexico Tort Claims Act" that former Police Chief Robert Bird may bring suit claiming damages due to wrongful termination on or about Sept. 12.

An Oct. 31 letter from Ruidoso attorney Gary Mitchell lists recipients as The Village of Capitan, Capitan Police Department, Clerk of the Village of Capitan, Mayor Sam Hammons, Village Council, Village Attorney Zack Cook and Risk Management.

The Tort Claims Act provides insurance coverage for negligent actions by and/or omissions of public employees. Under this Act, the definition of a "public employee" means: "any officer, employee, or servant of a governmental entity, including elected or appointed officials, law enforcement officers and persons acting on behalf or in service of a governmental entity in any official capacity, whether with or without compensation, but the term does not include an independent contractor..."

In another development stemming from Bird's firing, Capitan resident and LOGIC (Legal Open Government in Capitan) representative Monte Forney sent an Oct. 30 letter to Senator Pete Domenici outlining "serious concerns" about the Village administration.

The Forney letter alleges that Mayor Hammons and the trustees acted in contradiction of U.S. Code, Title 42, Chapter 21, Sub I, Section 1985 in that private citizens and members of the Village government did conspire to interfere with the civil rights of the village police and that, in two instances, there was threatened dismissal if charges were not dropped.

Copies of the letter were sent to the Attorney General.

Domenici's office responded on Nov. 3 saying it was not in the senator's scope to intervene, but the letter was forwarded to the U.S. Attorney's office as requested.

No response from either the New Mexico AG or the U.S. Attorney's office had been received at press time.

Which came first, the restaurant or the church?

■ Planners sort out use for business that had planned to sell beer

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Which came first, the restaurant with an approved site plan or the church, asking for site plan approval in an existing building?

And if members of the Ruidoso Planning and Zoning Commission approve the plan for the church, would that knock out the work of the lot owner next door, who spent more than $125,000 over the last two years moving toward construction of a business that will use a beer and wine license?

Commission members delayed a decision last week by postponing action on the church's application until their meeting Nov. 21, to give officials with the Lighthouse Church time to come back with a parking and landscape plan, to give village staff time to determine if church officials improperly moved ahead with services without an occupancy permit and to find out if the sequence of approvals would allow Ignacio Padilla to obtain his liquor license, when a church is operating within 300 feet.

Pastor Billy Jones was represented by his wife, Juanita Jones at the commission meeting, where the application for an amended commercial site development plan was considered.

Commission Chairman Glen Barrow called for the issue to be tabled until the board sees a plan with parking spaces delineated, signage and landscaping.

Attorney Patricia Ortiz, representing Padilla, told commissioners he owns the lot north of the building in which the church is meeting. He bought the property to build a restaurant and received approval on a site plan including landscaping and parking with a clear understanding that a beer and wine license would be sought, she said. His plans were held up when the bank he was using declined to work with the Small Business Administration, but he found new financing, has poured a slab, roughed in his plumbing and is ready to order equipment, she said.

She explained that he cannot apply formally for the liquor license until the building is constructed because an on-site inspection is part of the process.

Padilla pointed out that a lot the church is using for parking contains a legal easement for access specifically to his property.

Ortiz said Padilla bought the land in October 2004 and began immediately to secure the necessary approvals and permits, receiving approval of the slab by the village on Sept. 22, 2005.

The church location is part of an office building at 1035 Mechem Drive in which Ronnie Hemphill, listed as applicant/agent, operates his accounting business.

"We're asking that you deny the church project," Ortiz said. "If they had been there first and Mr. Padilla came in and wanted a business with a liquor license, you could say no, but he was there first. Without a liquor license, his project is not worth a whole lot."

Padilla said he's worried about obtaining a license.

"I've followed all the laws and rules and have been very careful. This is our investment, our lives and future," he said of his family. "It alarms me to see this happen. I could lose my shirt here. We're ready to go. The plans are complete. I've invested everything in my life. I can't lose this."

Juanita Jones said church officials also acted in good faith. They rented the space from Hemphill, remodeled the interior and began meeting with village planners.

"We're doing what we were told to do," she said.

The church conducts revivals once every three months and could move that function somewhere else, if parking space is insufficient, she said. Otherwise, additional parking is detailed on a lot at the side of the building, she said.

Village planner Darrell Bremner told commissioners for a church, one space for every four members is required and square footage is not considered. "They show eight spaces (on the front) and 10 (on the side) and that would allow 72 congregates," he said. "They have 14 full-time members, so they have proposed adequate parking."

"I could lose my shirt here. We're ready to go. The plans are complete."

Ignacio Padilla
Entrepreneur

Padilla reiterated that the front lot must allow access to his property and should not be used for parking.

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districts, "I don't want to encroach on some other commissioner's territory but it would help me understand," Williams said.

In a traditionally heavy-Republican county, Williams' Democratic opponent in the election, Paul Vordermann, came close to cracking the Grand Old Party's grip on the five-member board. He showed well in the general election with 46.9 percent of the vote compared to Williams' 53.1 percent.

Newly-elected to represent County Commission District 4, which includes portions of the village, as well as part of Capitan and several large subdivisions between the two, Dave Parks also appears to be a peace-maker, who stressed in his campaign bringing together elements in the county and the village that often were at odds.

"I think our problems are large enough in Lincoln County that we can't solve them on an individual entity basis," he said Thursday. "The village and communities in the county and the county commission need to try to get some harmony going here and get some cooperation going on our problems.

"With water, the commission does not have much direct authority, but I hope can create an atmosphere where the various entities with water rights and problems can work together to solve them. That's the same way with fire hazard, particular in the wildland/urban interface. We need more defensible space created around homes and (thinning of trees) on some of the vacant lots there."

Roads are another area Parks said he hopes to focus on for the next four years.

"I have attended every commission meeting since I decided to run and do think we need to figure out ways to address the county road situation," he said. "We have a huge number of roads and the road department does the best it can with what it has. But I was shocked that some residents in the northern part of county feel fortunate to have their roads bladed once or twice a year – particularly this year with all the water (flooding). It was a tremendous hardship."

He thanked voters and supporters who swept him into office, and thanked his opponent, Democrat Leighton "Tony" Davis.

"He ran a very above aboard campaign," Parks said of Davis. "We were good friends when we started and now. We've had a couple of conversations (since the election). I think he is very much an asset to the county and he said he will continue to help when he can."

Parks is replacing Earl Hobbs on the commission, who decided not to seek re-election. Hobbs was known for a more combative style of governing at times and tends to be outspoken when he thinks things are going awry at the county level. He frequently called for the abolition of the extra-territorial zone around the village, designed to create a transitional zone between more restrictive planning in the municipality and very little control in the county.

In District 5, water activist Jackie Powell rode into office on the wave of worry generated by a prolonged drought and numerous water rights transfers from the Glencoe-Hondo Valley to Ruidoso.

She's replacing Rick Simpson of Glencoe, the current commission chairman.

Powell was in a Leadership Lincoln session Thursday, a co-worker said, and could not be reached for comment.

ENMU-Ruidoso's Elrod elated with bond vote

■ Campus to receive $1.25 million for lab and classrooms

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Passage of Education Bond B, proposed in Tuesday's election, means "this time next year construction of phase two of our [renovation and expansion] plans should be completed," Dr. Mike Elrod, provost of Eastern New Mexico University, said.

"With the $1.25 million we are going to receive we will be able to go directly from phase one to phase two and have our new science lab, and construction trade and hospitality classrooms ready to go."

Elrod said he is elated with election returns and is especially glad to learn that Lincoln County surpassed the state approval rating of Bond B of 44.7 percent with a larger margin of 57.4 percent.

He and others involved in higher education initially were concerned that Bernalillo County, comprising the more populated area in the state, might not pass the bond sale as it recently passed "a huge bond there to support schools."

As a statewide issue, the bond had to pass in all counties in the state to be approved.

ENMU-Ruidoso Provost Dr. Michael Elrod sported a Bond B button in a recent interview with the *Ruidoso News*.

DEANNA CHENEY/STAFF

Bernalillo County came in with 53.2 percent in favor of Bond B, which provides for capital improvements to colleges and universities, and 56.2 percent in favor for Bond C, which provides money for libraries.

In addition to money it will receive for renovations, ENMU-Ruidoso is slated to get $12,000 for library acquisitions.

"Bond C is a smaller amount but we don't take anything for granted," Elrod reflected. "We've gotta have library materials to be able to support other areas of learning."

Elrod said he views Lincoln County's support of the bond issues as approval of where the college is headed and what it means to building a better community.

"Obviously, education is important to everyone," he said, adding that only hours earlier he wasn't sure what the turn out would be.

"I got up at 5:30 a.m. to view results on the Web," he said. "Now I'm chomping at the bit to move ahead with our plans."

ENMU-Ruidoso was established in 1991 as an off-campus instructional center and in July 2005 earned Branch Community College status. It is located at 709 Mechem Dr.

Editor's note: Election results are based on unofficially tallies posted by the New Mexico Bureau of Elections at 7:20 a.m., Nov. 9.

With all precincts reporting, but results still listed as unofficial, the Bureau of Elections shows the following Tuesday general election vote totals for Lincoln County and statewide:

	LINCOLN COUNTY	STATEWIDE/DISTRICT
UNITED STATES SENATOR		
• JEFF BINGAMAN-Democratic	3,518 – 57.4%	366,306 – 70.1%
• ALLEN W. MCCULLOCH-Republican	2,605 – 42.5%	155,843 – 28.8%
• ORLIN G. COLE-(Write-In)	8 – 0.1%	496 – 0.1%
UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 2		
• ALBERT D. KISSLING-Democratic	1,829 – 29.7%	60,215 – 40.1%
• STEVE PEARCE-Republican	4,333 – 70.3%	89,650 – 59.7%
• C. DEAN BURK-(Write-In)	2 – 0.0%	89 – 0.1%
GOVERNOR and LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR		
• BILL RICHARDSON and DIANE D. DENISH-Democratic	3,720 – 60.3%	357,453 – 68.3%
• JOHN DENDAHL and SUE WILSON BEFFORT-Rep.	2,447 – 39.7%	165,721 – 31.7%
SECRETARY OF STATE		
• MARY HERRERA-Democratic	2,240 – 36.8%	278,843 – 53.6%
• VICKIE S. PEREA-Republican	3,847 – 63.2%	241,718 – 46.4%
STATE AUDITOR		
• HECTOR H. BALDERAS-Democratic	2,408 – 40.5%	275,671 – 54.1%
• LORENZO GARCIA-Republican	3,534 – 59.5%	233,492 – 45.9%
STATE TREASURER		
• JAMES B. LEWIS-Democratic	2,694 – 45.2%	308,868 – 60.1%
• DEMESIA PADILLA-Republican	3,268 – 54.8%	204,718 – 39.9%
ATTORNEY GENERAL		
• GARY K. KING-Democratic	2,465 – 40.1%	294,903 – 56.3%
• JIM BIBB-Republican	3,684 – 59.9%	228,826 – 43.7%
COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS		
• JIM BACA-Democratic	2,546 – 41.6%	246,293 – 47.6%
• PATRICK H. LYONS-Republican	3,581 – 58.4%	273,875 – 52.4%
STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 56		
• CAROLYN D. PROVENCHER-Dem.	678 – 28.9%	2,420 – 35.5%
• DUB WILLIAMS-Republican	1,666 – 71.1%	4,402 – 64.5%
STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 57		
• DAN FOLEY-Republican	2,304 – 76.5%	5,886 – 73.3%
• CYNTHIA G. MORRISON-Green	654 – 21.7%	1,487 – 18.5%
• STEVEN J. GAVI-(Write-In)	52 – 1.7%	662 – 8.2%
STATE REPRESENTATIVE - DISTRICT 59		
• ELLEN E. WEDUM-Democratic	127 – 31.4%	2,878 – 40.7%
• NORA ESPINOZA-Republican	277 – 68.6%	4,192 – 59.3%
PUBLIC REGULATION COMMISSIONER - DISTRICT 2		
• STEPHANIE L. DUBOIS-Democratic	471 – 35.9%	33,240 – 40.1%
• DAVID W. KING-Republican	840 – 64.1%	49,600 – 59.9%
PUBLIC REGULATION COMMISSIONER - DISTRICT 5		
• SANDY R. JONES-Democratic	1,924 – 41.6%	48,535 – 56%
• C. EARL GREER-Republican	2,703 – 58.4%	38,212 – 44%

	LINCOLN COUNTY	STATEWIDE/DISTRICT
MAGISTRATE JUDGE DIVISION 1		
• MARTHA MCKNIGHT PROCTOR-Rep.	4,369 – 77.2%	
• TONY SENO-Independent	1,290 – 22.8%	
DIVISION 2		
• WILLIAM R. BUTTS-Republican	4,763 – 100%	
COUNTY COMMISSIONER - DISTRICT 2		
• PAUL D. VORDERMANN-Democratic	477 – 46.9%	
• DONALD A. WILLIAMS-Republican	541 – 53.1%	
COUNTY COMMISSIONER - DISTRICT 4		
• LEIGHTON IRA DAVIS, JR.-Democratic	470 – 34.2%	
• DAVE J. PARKS-Republican	906 – 65.8%	
COUNTY COMMISSIONER - DISTRICT 5		
• RALPH R. ROMERO-Democratic	243 – 27.2%	
• JACKIE M. POWELL-Republican	652 – 72.8%	
COUNTY CLERK		
• TAMMIE MADDOX-Republican	4,934 – 100%	
COUNTY TREASURER		
• BEVERLY ANN CALAWAY-Republican	4,861 – 100%	
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NO. 1		
• FOR	3,656 – 67.8%	312,622 – 69.6%
• AGAINST	1,738 – 32.2%	136,744 – 30.4%
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NO. 2		
• FOR	3,993 – 73%	319,205 – 69.1%
• AGAINST	1,478 – 27%	142,921 – 30.9%
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NO. 3		
• FOR	3,733 – 70%	295,707 – 65.4%
• AGAINST	1,598 – 30%	156,433 – 34.6%
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT NO. 4		
• FOR	2,769 – 51.3%	251,110 – 55%
• AGAINST	2,626 – 48.7%	205,270 – 45%
BOND QUESTION A		
• FOR	3,121 – 58.1%	286,204 – 62%
• AGAINST	2,254 – 41.9%	175,696 – 38%
BOND QUESTION B		
• FOR	3,132 – 57.8%	253,743 – 55.1%
• AGAINST	2,285 – 42.2%	206,911 – 44.9%
BOND QUESTION C		
• FOR	2,899 – 53.7%	280,246 – 56.6%
• AGAINST	2,497 – 46.3%	199,900 – 43.4%

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Audit criticizes ambulance services contract

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Editor's note: This is the second article reviewing findings in the Village of Ruidoso's 2004-2005 Fiscal Year Audit.

Among 30 pages of findings listed in the 168-page annual audit for the year ending June 30, 2005, village officials were criticized for their handling of an ambulance services contract.

Auditor Ed Fierro echoed comments contained in a special state audit of village contracts conducted two years ago and released early this year.

He wrote that the Village entered into contract with the Lincoln County Medical Center, a county-owned hospital in Ruidoso managed by Presbyterian Healthcare Services, to manage and provide emergency medical services in the village.

The agreement was effective July 1, 2002, and expired June 30, 2004.

"The village did not formally extend the agreement in writing once it expired and the village continued to allow the medical center to provide services.

"Prior to the termination of the contract, the village should have either extended the professional services contract or issued a request for proposals for emergency medical services," Fierro wrote.

Noncompliance with state statutes could result in criminal penalties, he noted, citing the law that requires all procurement by competitive sealed bid.

"A contract for EMS services is not considered a sole source vendor nor is it considered an emergency type purchase," Fierro wrote.

Once the fourth year of the contract was coming to a close, the village administration failed to issue a request for proposal for EMS fur future years, as per state statutes and state procurement code, he wrote. He recommended the process be started by the administration to seek proposals and to achieve compliance with state law.

Village response

The response from the Village administration stated that the village council and management have taken action to correct the problem. The council authorized an outside audit of EMS from prior years, coincidentally to be performed by Fierro.

In September Village councilors and then in October Lincoln County commissioners approved a new arrangement with the county through Presbyterian to provide ambulance service on a government to government basis from LCMC in exchange for $589,437 of village emergency vehicles and $371,965 of other equipment.

Councilors Michele Rebstock, Don Williams and Greg Cory wanted to see the results of the EMS audit first, but were out-voted.

Under an item dealing with Sierra Blanca Regional Airport in the audit, Fierro found that the village exceeded the authorized airport runway improvement capital projects fund budget by $27,432.

Fierro wrote that the Village finance department incorrectly posted revenues and the subsequent transfer out to the wrong fund.

When the activity was posted correctly to the runway fund, the Village exceeded the authorized budget.

Fierro recommended the finance department closely monitor the posting of revenues, expenditures and transfers from individual funds.

In response to the criticism, Village officials wrote that the error occurred while keying in data and in the future, the finance department will reconcile monthly with the actual records to ensure entries to the general ledger are posted correctly.

Planners again table action on Midtown project

■ Deputy manager says the project has changed substantially from when it first was proposed

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After months of delay, action was tabled again last week on a proposed retail-residential complex on Sudderth Drive in midtown.

Rick and Mary Riddle of American Pride Realty and Noisy Waters T-shirts, and W. Ron Good of Le Claire's Alpine Village are asking for approval of an amended commercial site development plan, but Deputy Village manager Bill Morris said the project changed substantially from a first legal notification to surrounding land owners and staff wants to ensure proper notification.

A conditional use approval also is being requested for the residential apartments in a commercial zone and was not on the agenda, Morris said. The delay is not the fault of the developers, he said, although some previous delays were connected to Riddle and Good, he said. The site now contains Le Claire's Alpine Village, which would be demolished for the new project.

The vote to table passed 5-2 with members Mike Revelry and Tim Hoyt voting against. Hoyt said later that he was embarrassed to have to postpone because of a notification problem.

But businesswoman Jennie Dorgan said many people interested in the project have to take off work to attend the meetings and any inconvenience to developers by the delay also is experienced by others. Proper notification is essential, she said.

Tim Vega, who handles the board's official minutes, suggested if commissioners want a second notice of a subsequent meeting sent when an item is tabled, they should include a provision in village code, and not "pick and choose" some issues for additional notification.

If a plan is different, additional notice would be justified. In other cases, it would amount to a courtesy, he said.

Member Harvey Foster agreed that a substantial change warrants a second notification before a new meeting on an application, "But I don't know where to draw the line," he said.

Village Attorney Marc Prelo was asked to research the situation.

The proposed project involves construction of multiple buildings with 20 retail and 24 apartment residential spaces.

IN OTHER BUSINESS LAST WEEK, COMMISSIONERS:

• approved a request from Richard Pittman for a variance to allow a garage for a proposed house to be built within 15.99 feet of the north front lot line when 20 feet is required, at the corner of Coronado Drive and Foothill Road in Highwood Addition subdivision. The topography necessitates building closer to the lot line.

• approved a conditional use and amended commercial site plan for three buildings on .90 of an acre between Sierra Mall and Sierra Cinema for a dry cleaning business with a living space on the second floor. The business will use a non-regulated, more environmentally-friendly chemical, and would not involve high water use, said applicant Bart Byars.

At a commission meeting last month, members discussed, but tabled action on a proposed amended commercial site development plan for 1.1 acres near the intersection of Sudderth and Mechem drives involving Burro Lane by Mark Marquez and Re-Com Construction on the Kaman Tract, Block 2 of Wingfield Subdivision.

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Water activists weigh in on Ruidoso's 40-Year Water Plan

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Several people active in water conservation and supply activities in Lincoln County voiced their viewpoints on Ruidoso's 40-year water plan last week at a village council meeting.

Jackie Powell, who lives in the valley east of Ruidoso and was elected to the Lincoln County Commission Tuesday, told councilors, "There won't be more water just because there are more people."

All water rights are appropriated in the drainage basin around Ruidoso, Powell said.

"When you request water rights transfers, they take more and more time because all of us are impacted between you and there," she said. "You need a water plan regardless of whether the state engineer approves it or not."

Powell also complained that with all of the talk about water problems, she was the only person from Lincoln County who attended a recent state Drought Summit, which she said was "so important."

She warned that even if the county received more snow this winter, it may evaporate faster because of global warming.

"We must take advantage of it quicker and better," she said.

Ruidoso River Association director and engineer Ben Mason went to the podium to oppose adoption of the 40-year water plan, calling it "a feel good, fictional sugar-coated" document.

"It assumes the water supply will grow at the same rate as the population," Mason said. But the village can only divert water from the river into Grindstone Reservoir, one of the main water supply sources, when the river is flowing in the summer at a minimum of 6 cubic feet per second, he said. In the winter, the flow can be as low as 4 cfs, but that is "a killer restriction," he said.

Always living under water restrictions is a burden on the existing residents, he said. The village apparently already is strapped for money to provide services, having to pass bond issues and impose new taxes or higher fees to build items such as a new fire station and expansion of a wastewater treatment plant, he noted.

He referred to the study as, "an extravagant growth plan."

If the village stays on course, at some point it will have to resort to expensive reverse osmosis treatment of more saline and poor quality water to augment its supply, he contended.

As a result, a "brine stream" will be created that will be hard to dispose of properly, he said.

Shriver

Water engineer Bill Midkiff, a resident on Eagle Creek, said most decisions on plan elements occurred without the participation or knowledge of councilors or previous councils. Those who wrote the 40-year plan operated under an agenda to accommodate growth, he said, "I don't know whose agenda."

Village officials need to determine the crisis population number tied to "real water" supply and water rights to determine a sustainable population figure, he said.

Monty Shriver, a member of the Village's water task force, said every acre-foot of water pulled out of the aquifer reduces stream flow. "So all the well drilling only further reduces steam flow in the beautiful valley," he said.

Nunley said he wanted to remind people in the audience that, "This council is as conscientious a board as I have ever worked with. They are working hard to relieve water problems. We may never solve them, but the village is using less water than five years ago. I ask you to keep that in mind."

PLAN

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plan, consultant Dennis Brand with Wilson & Co. from Albuquerque, said it was put together by a different team of consultants in 2002, then revised the next year and sent to the SEO. In November 2003, John Longworth of the SEO wrote back that the report contained several unacceptable items and lacked some data.

In February 2004, Village representatives met with Longworth and some changes were made, 30 pages were added, and an appendix on geohydrology and underground aquifers was attached by Shomaker & Associates.

Consultant Jack Atkins and Shomaker staff went through the plan to ensure it would satisfy the state, Brand said. In August of this year, the final draft was compiled.

"I asked for copies," Cory said. "(Village Water Director Ken Mosley) gave me a copy in May or June, but it is different from subsequent copies."

Mosley said several people have "taken pot shots" at the study. "Everyone has a right to their own opinion, but they have no right to fool with facts," he told councilors.

One of the most significant changes was looking at growth in reference to the number of water meters tied to water demand, instead of population projections, Mosley said.

"Water production is factual," he said, and that data picks up vacation homes as they are converted to heavier-use rental or full-time residences. "It's an unusual situation in Ruidoso compared to the rest of the state. We're more similar to Colorado, because second home people don't declare themselves as residents."

Basing projections on past demand is valid unless the council does something such as imposing a moratorium, he said.

Many recommendations in the plan have or are being accomplished such as reducing waste by adding decant basins at treatment plants to capture water used in backwashing, by reducing demand in drought periods and by establishing more water rights to meet drought conditions.

"It's a plan," Brand said. "The village must decide if they want to use any elements of the plan. We wanted to be as accurate as we could, but as flexible as we could be too, because things change."

Village officials still must select their priorities, he said.

Cory said if the study is not realistic, the end result might be skewed.

"I can't help but feel there has been a disconnect between the preparation of the plan and the governing body, because we didn't sit down (to review the final draft)," the councilor said.

He wanted to see an increase in commercial water rates detailed in the study, a rebate program to encourage people to switch to low-flow appliances and a water audit to track water losses from line leakage and other sources.

Cory said in 1998, the amount of produced water that was not billed hit 58 percent. That figure was reduced to 36 percent, still a high figure from various types of loss that include water used to clean lines, evaporation from lakes and leakage from dams.

Brand said meters were installed in several sites, "So we have a handle on where we are wasting water."

Village Manager Lorri McKnight said she hoped to see a recommendation from the village water task force on a commercial rate increase, as well as the rebate program and other conservation measures.

Cory noted that a meter replacement program is not projected to be finished until 2013. With 8,000 meters doing 500 a year, "that will be 16 years," he said. "And then we start over as soon as we finish."

Brand pointed out that the numbers refer to replacement of existing meters already hooked up, not installation of new meters.

Cory said he didn't want to wait until 2010 for rainwater harvesting, as noted in the study.

"I hope we can be more aggressive on all of (the recommendations)," he said.

Councilor Ron Hardeman said it's the council's job to schedule workshops on the recommendations and follow up with action. "I thought we were in the process of addressing many of them," he said.

Brand said Mosley took the final study version to the SEO on Dec. 13.

"Nothing in the law says they have to accept it, but we have received no letter saying they rejected it," he said.

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SALE

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sion and other regulatory agencies, and is expected to be completed by mid-2007.

Hubbard, who also owns Ruidoso Downs, went through numerous legal machinations to earn the Racing Commission's approval to build and operate Zia Park, having to fend off two other bidders and some questions as to whether he would be allowed to own a gaming license in this state.

The building of the track was also postponed by the dissolution of one Racing Commission by former Gov. Gary Johnson and the appointment of another by current Gov. Bill Richardson.

The Commission finally awarded Hubbard and partner Paul Blanchard — owner of the Downs at Albuquerque — the bid for Zia Park in November of 2003, and construction on the Black Gold Casino began the following March.

Last year was the first race meet for the track, and Zia Partners has reported the operation has generated approximately $69.7 million in revenues, $20 million more than the track cost to build.

So why sell the track to a company based in Pennsylvania?

"This was a great opportunity for us to bring a first-class horse-racing company to New Mexico," said Zia Park and Ruidoso Downs President Bruce Rimbo in a statement. "They bring great benefits for Zia Park employees and have agreed to work cooperatively with Ruidoso Downs on issues of mutual interest, such as race dates and cross promotions."

Penn National would add Zia Park to several other racetracks in Pennsylvania, Maine, West Virginia, New Jersey and Ohio. The company also operates casinos and gaming facilities in Colorado, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Louisiana, Missouri, Mississippi and Ontario, Canada.

Rimbo said Hubbard has no plans to sell Ruidoso Downs.

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Street crews keep busy despite budget

■ Department head briefs councilors on project, finances

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"I want to assure councilors that we are not sitting around and playing cards," Ruidoso Street Department Director J.R. Baumann told village councilors at their last meeting.

"The bad news is this is one of the tightest budgets I've seen," he said, telling them that equipment maintenance is down $20,000, street maintenance down $30,000 and the gas tax distribution is $109,000 less than anticipated.

"The good news is that we are paying a low interest on a loan from the gas tax for equipment that will make it safer and easier to do the job," he said.

"The FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) money will help (as reimbursement for work during September flooding and replacement of damaged structures)."

Even with squeezed finances, street crews will be paving the entrances to the new main fire station at School House Park, will work on Wingfield Park and the Frisbee golf course, he said.

He also will oversee construction of bridges on Gavilan Canyon and Close Drive that were damaged during the flood.

Five-year plan

The department's five-year plan is under review, Baumann said.

"We will update it and give it to you within the next 30 days," he said, in reference to a request from Councilor Greg Cory.

Councilor James Stoddard asked about the design of the Gavilan Bridge to avoid flooding in the future. Baumann said the redesign is in the request for proposal process.

"FEMA will only put you back to where you were," he said. "They did agree on larger culverts."

The old culverts at that bridge were crushed and blocked during the flood, causing water still to back up behind them, Baumann said.

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Street director

"What do you do with all the rocks that washed in off Gavilan and raised the water level?" Stoddard asked.

Disposing of the material should be part of the design, but if it is not, Baumann said, "We'll go in. It's touchy working in a river. It's a very sensitive area.

"We go in and clean all the time. Three of the eight culverts are useless. They collapsed. If all of them were running, we could keep the river running."

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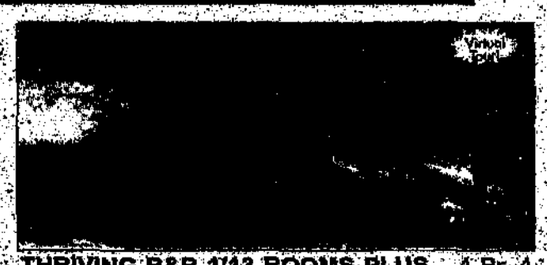

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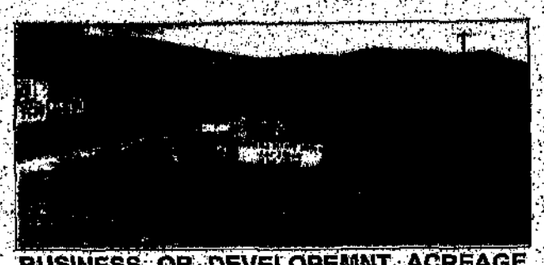

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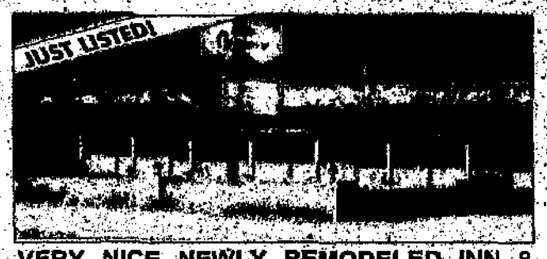

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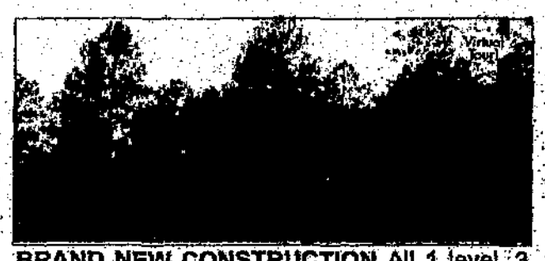

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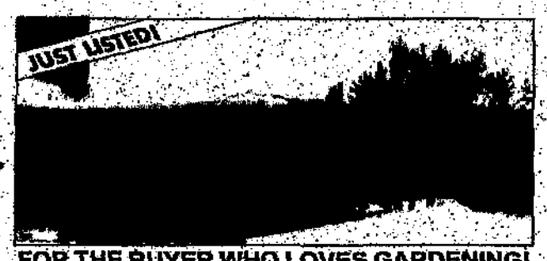

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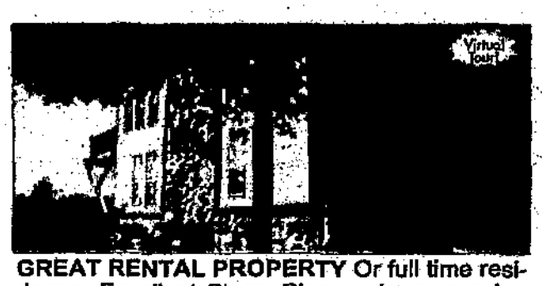

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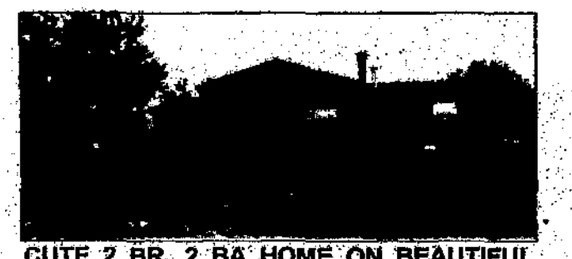

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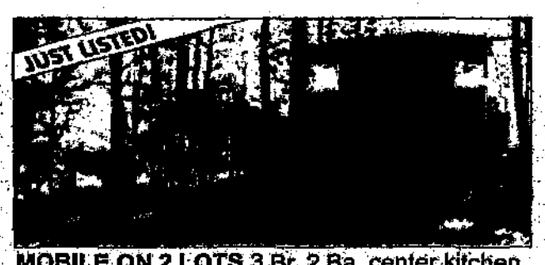

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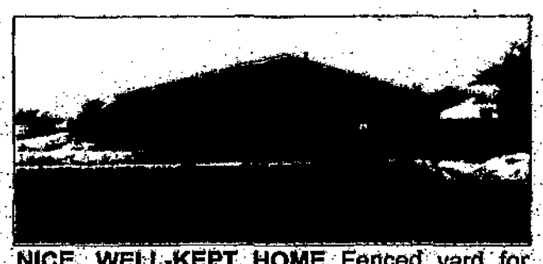

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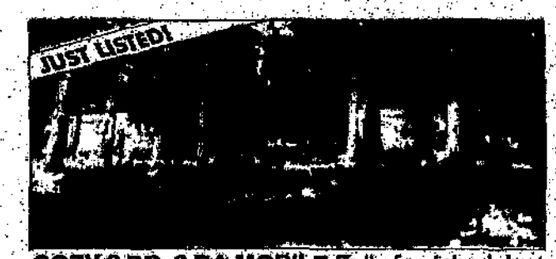

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Ruidoso's playoff quest begins Saturday at Thoreau

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Just because Ruidoso is facing Thoreau in the first round of the Class 3A State playoffs — a team the Warriors decimated 47-0 in last year's first round — doesn't mean Ruidoso coach Ridge Bowden is expecting a repeat Saturday at 1 p.m.

For one thing, the game is in Thoreau rather than in the friendly confines of W.D. Horton Stadium. Another factor is that Ruidoso's struggled this year to a 2-8 record, as opposed to last year's squad, which was 6-4 and was a constant scoring threat.

Bowden also doesn't want to take any team for granted this year. The Warriors can't afford to do that.

"We learned not to look ahead last year," Bowden said, referring to Ruidoso's loss to St. Michael's in the quarterfinals. "Also, we can't be overconfident against this team, no matter how well we beat them last year."

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Ruidoso is in the Class 3A playoffs, now it just has to prove it belongs.

- **Who:** Ruidoso (2-8) at Thoreau (5-4)
- **When:** 1 p.m. Saturday
- **Last week:** Ruidoso beat Lovington 17-0. Thoreau lost to Bloomfield 70-0.
- **Last year:** Ruidoso beat Thoreau 47-0 in the first round of the Class 3A playoffs.

The Hawks (5-4) aren't a bad team this season, having gone on a five-game win streak in the middle of the season and earning district wins over Crownpoint and Cuba in the process.

Quarterback William Sauter is back to lead the Thoreau attack, along with four or five others that play on both sides of the ball.

Ruidoso, meanwhile, lost a ton of seniors to graduation and struggled through their first eight games of the season.

But the Warriors *did* win two games, and they were the most important games of all against New Mexico Military Institute and Lovington. Those District 4-3A wins ensured Ruidoso a playoff spot.

That should give Ruidoso some confidence, but Thoreau is coming into this game with something to prove.

"They'll want to show they're better than last year, and we've got an opportunity to improve on our record," Bowden said. "We had a stronger schedule, and we'll be prepared for this game.

"We earned our spot in the playoffs with that win over Lovington, and we're proud of that," he added. "This is now the time to prove ourselves and show that we're a good team."

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Ruidoso's Brand Franklin, left, celebrates after sacking Lovington quarterback Naf Hernandez Friday at W.D. Horton Stadium.

It's time for Capitan to prove its worth

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Capitan is justifiably proud of its undefeated football team, and is also justifiably excited about the start of the Class 2A playoffs.

But the Tigers aren't the only unbeaten team in the state — Lordsburg and Santa Rosa are also 10-0 heading into this weekend's quarterfinals — and Capitan coach Jodie Scott knows his work is far from finished.

As far as he's concerned, there's still three more games to win before he and the rest of Capitan can really celebrate.

The Tigers host Tucumcari tonight at 7 p.m., a game that Scott feels is the first real test of his team's abilities.

"They're the largest team we've played this year," Scott said of the Rattlers (5-6) whose line averages about 280 pounds and who boast 10 players weighing in at more than 200 pounds. "And they move pretty well."

Tucumcari is led by running back Brian Lopez, a big strong kid at 6 foot, 3 inches and 225 pounds who has rushed for more than 900 yards this season. Scott knows the key is to stop — or at least contain — Lopez while earning as many points as possible for the Tigers.

"We've got to be able to stop him, and I don't know if we can," Scott said of Lopez. "We won't let him just have those yards, he'll have to earn them. But we knew in some games it would come down to us just outscoring the other team."

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Capitan quarterback Tillman Freeman, far left, throws a pass in practice Wednesday at Tiger Field in Capitan. The Tigers will finally get some real competition tonight after being off for a week when they host Tucumcari in the Class 2A State quarterfinals.

Outscoring the other team is something the Tigers have done very well this season, racking up 472 points in 10 games while defeating opponents by an average of 36.7 points.

They've done it thanks to the throwing of Tillman Freeman and running of Pierre Quiroz, who have combined for a total of 3,473 yards and 46 touchdowns this season. Freeman's favorite targets have been Will Kern, Nick McCullough and Jimmy Thomas, who have caught a total of 93 balls for 1,615 yards and 23 scores.

Tucumcari coach Dub Smith knows that two-pronged offense will be a challenge.

"We're run oriented, and we tell our players that if you're physical on offense or defense, you can play with anybody," Smith said. "Hopefully we'll be physical on Friday, but we'll just have to find out. Capitan throws the ball while we run, but Capitan can run the ball too, and that's an asset."

► GAME DAY

Capitan's goal to prove they are in fact the best Class 2A team in the state begins tonight against Tucumcari.

- **Who:** Tucumcari (5-6) at Capitan (10-0)
- **When:** 7 p.m. tonight at Tiger Field
- **Last week:** Tucumcari beat Dulce 49-0 in the first round of the Class 2A playoffs. Capitan was off.

The Rattlers and Tigers have a number of common opponents, as both have played Estancia, Loving, Dexter and Texico this season. Tucumcari is 3-1 against those schools while Capitan is, well, 4-0.

But the scores of those games need some closer scrutiny. Tucumcari's only loss of those four games was a 19-18 decision against Estancia. The Rattlers won fairly easy against Dexter and Loving, but were only able to beat Texico by a field goal in overtime.

Capitan, meanwhile, beat all four teams by an average of 38 points.

It's also interesting to note that three of Tucumcari's losses on the year were by a touch-

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Grizzlies face dangerous Clayton team in State semifinal

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The last time Clayton and Carrizozo hooked up, the Grizzlies finished on top of a 27-6 score.

Carrizozo was without top running backs Eric Koroscil and Tim Barela in that one, but found some good yards in Mark LeBlanc's legs, enough to thoroughly dominate the Hornets.

The two teams will be back at each other Saturday, as Carrizozo (9-1) makes the long trip north for the Class 1A semifinal at 1 p.m.

Given the Grizzlies' last performance against Clayton, it stands to reason they'll do just as well this weekend, right? Even better, considering Koroscil and Barela are back.

But Carrizozo coach Gerald Burns doesn't view it that way.

"They're doing a few things different and throwing the ball a little more, but they still want to take that ball and run it down your throat," Burns said. "They have a lot of different running plays to choose from.

"We found ways to stop them last time," he added. "Hopefully, we'll be able to do it again. No predictions, though."

Clayton coach Gary Durham admits his team likes to stay on the ground, but said passing isn't out of the question.

"Last time, we tried to pass, but they had such great man coverage that we couldn't get rid of it," Durham said. "With Koroscil back, it will be more challenging for us to stop them."

The Hornets are 7-3 on the year after beating Hagerman 38-0 in the quarterfinals. Their only three losses came in a row in the middle of the season — losses to Estancia, Carrizozo and district opponent Fort Sumner.

"Some day we come in and out and execute better than others," Durham said. "We had a lot of turnovers in those three losses, so hopefully we've been able to cut back on

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Prep Results

Thursday, Nov. 9
Volleyball
Class 3A State Tournament
At Albuquerque
Ruidoso vs. Crownpoint, late
Class 1A State Tournament
At Albuquerque
Carrizozo vs. Tatum, late

Preps on Tap

SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Friday, Nov. 10
Football
Class 3A State Playoffs
Cobre at Portales, 7 p.m.
Class 2A State Playoffs
Tucumcari at Capitan, 7 p.m.
Volleyball
Class 3A, 1A State Tournaments at Albuquerque, TBA

Saturday, Nov. 11
Football
Class 2A State Playoffs
Texico at Santa Rosa, 2 p.m.
Estancia at Cloudcroft, 1 p.m.
Dexter at Lordsburg, 2 p.m.
Class 3A State Playoffs
Ruidoso at Thoreau, 1 p.m.
Hot Springs at Albuquerque Academy, 1 p.m.
Lovington at Hatch Valley, 1:30 p.m.
Class 1A State Semifinals
Carrizozo at Clayton, 1 p.m.
Jal at Fort Sumner, 1 p.m.
Volleyball
Class 1A State Championship at Albuquerque, 5 p.m.
Class 3A State Championship at Albuquerque, 11 a.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 14
Girls Basketball
Hondo at NMMI, 5 p.m.

Youth Football

Lincoln County Little League

Playoffs
(Schedule subject to change)
Minors

Saturday, Nov. 4
At Ruidoso
Mescalero 13, Hondo 6
Capitan 14, Red Raiders 6

Wednesday, Nov. 8
At W.D. Horton Stadium
Steelers 40, Mescalero 0

Thursday, Nov. 9
At W.D. Horton Stadium
Capitan vs. Cowboys, late

Saturday, Nov. 11
At W.D. Horton Stadium
Steelers vs. Capitan/Cowboys winner, Noon.

Majors

Saturday, Nov. 4
At Ruidoso
Steelers 12, Mescalero 6
Eagles 25, Hondo 24

Wednesday, Nov. 8
At W.D. Horton Stadium
Capitan 39, Eagles 0

Thursday, Nov. 9
At W.D. Horton Stadium
Steelers vs. Saints, late

Saturday, Nov. 11
At W.D. Horton Stadium
Capitan vs. Steelers/Saints winner, 2 p.m.

On Deck

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Anyone interested in playing in this year's Ruidoso Flag Football league is invited to attend a planning meeting Nov. 16 at 7 p.m. at Ruidoso Fire Station No. 2 on White Mountain Drive. Fee is $450 per team.
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Hondo teams getting ready to hit the basketball hardwood

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HONDO — One problem with playing sports at small schools is that coaches usually have to rely on the same athletes for every single sport.

That can make things difficult as the different seasons dovetail into one another, and such is happening this fall with the end of football and volleyball and the beginning of basketball.

Capitan and Carrizozo are already feeling the pinch, as their football teams are in the playoffs with no sign of exiting any time soon. Hondo's football season came to an end two weeks ago in the State six-man semifinals, but boys basketball coach Henry Sanchez was unable to start practice until this Monday.

The reason? Hondo's only gym floor was taken up by this year's Halloween carnival last week, and the boys were tied up with their football banquet, anyway.

"I've only got about two weeks of practice before our first game," Sanchez said. "The team looks good, though. I've only lost one player to graduation."

That one player was Teka Salcido, and the remaining players are still pretty young, with Leo Salcido and Patrick Chavez as the only seniors on the squad.

Like the football team, this year's basketball Eagles will benefit from the addition of Randy Manning and Dylan Golston, although they've not played basketball before this year.

Regardless of their experience on the hardwood, all the Hondo players are good athletes and Sanchez wants them to turn the corner and get to regionals.

That quest begins Nov. 28 with a home contest against Capitan at 6:30 p.m.

Last year, the Eagles finished the year a disappointing 8-17 and just 1-7 in District 7-1A. It's not that Hondo didn't know how to play the game, it just couldn't take advantage of several would-be winning situations.

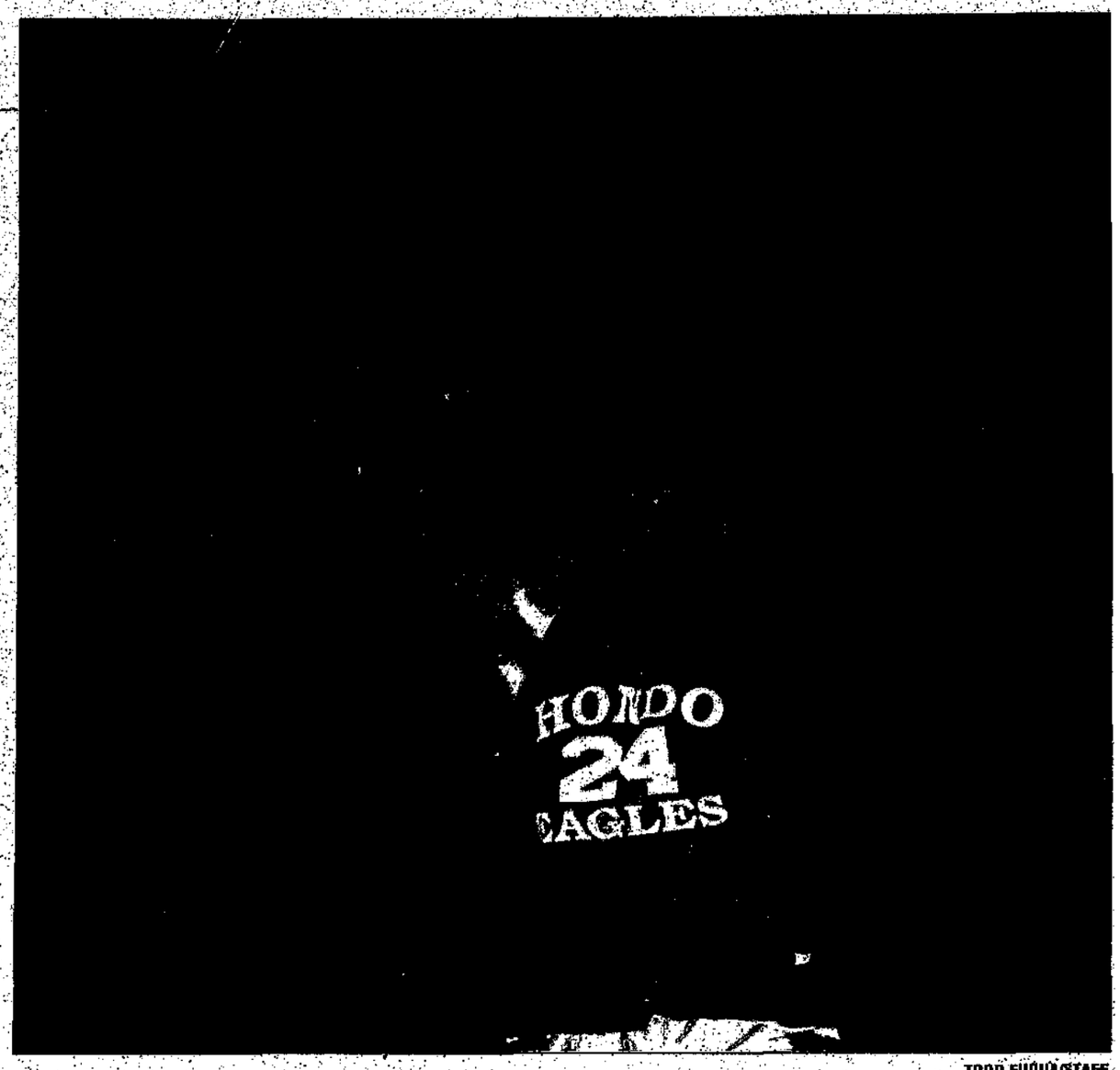
"This year, we have to execute better," Sanchez said. "We can't turn the ball over and have to do the little things.

"We gave some teams all they could handle in the first half, but just didn't play for four full quarters."

In Hondo does meet Sanchez's expectations, he expects the Eagles to be a solid contender with Carrizozo for the top spot in the district.

"It will probably be us and Carrizozo in there, but you can't take any team too lightly in this district," Sanchez said. "Until you see a team play that particular year, you just don't know what they have.

"Last year we took baby steps. Now we have to make something happen."



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Hondo's Lawrence Gonzales takes a free throw during basketball practice at Hondo High School.

Lady Eagles start season Tuesday at NMMI

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Basketball gets underway in a hurry for Hondo's girls, who have had only a week to prepare for their season opener next Tuesday at New Mexico Military Institute in Roswell.

But such is the plight of athletic coaches at small schools, and that of Hondo's Chriselda Acosta is no exception.

"We have pretty much the same team members as for volleyball," Acosta said. "We haven't had much of a chance to practice, and we'll be looking at the NMMI game as practice, as well."

The Lady Eagles lost Angelica Chavez to graduation, and Acosta is hard-pressed to find an athlete with Chavez's type of ability.

That doesn't mean she's entirely without talent.

Mercedes Lopez and Amanda Gomez are back from last year, and will likely be the center of the Lady Eagles' offense. Collette Lopez will take over at guard, with eighth-grade sister Chancey Lopez running the offense on the other side of the court.

Meagan Parmley is also back from last year, giving Acosta a solid nucleus to start with.

"I'm not sure how we'll do, but I think we'll be a pretty strong team inside," Acosta said. "They know they'll probably lose their first few games, but can't get discouraged. All of our district games will be tough."

Hondo players honored

With the conclusion of this year's six-man football season, Hondo cleaned up with numerous All-District and All-State honors.

Six Eagles were named to the All-District 2 first team, while five were honored with All-State selections.

Additionally, three Eagles will represent the south in next year's annual North-South game, with coach Brandon Devine leading the team on the field.

As if that wasn't enough, linebacker Patrick Chavez, named to all three teams, was also selected by Six Man Illustrated as an All American Honorable Mention, the only player from New Mexico to be named by the publication.

Eagle players named to the All-District team were Leo Salcido, deepback; Lawrence Gonzales, wide reciever; Randy Manning, center and defensive line; Jesus Medina, defensive line and kicker; Patrick Chavez, linebacker and Ralph Miranda, free safety.

Those earning All-State honors were Salcido, deepback; Gonzales, wide reciever; Manning, defensive line; Chavez, linebacker and Miranda, free safety.

Chavez, Salcido and Dylan Golston were named South All-Stars.

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Ruidoso netters second in State pool play

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It was Ruidoso volleyball coach Steve Brown's goal to finish at least in the top two of his team's pool in order to get a first-round bye in the state playoffs.

The Lady Warriors accomplished that feat, finishing second in pool B Wednesday at Tingley Coliseum in Albuquerque.

But Brown feels Ruidoso could have done better.

"We played poorly against Pojoaque and lost those, and then played bad in our first game against Hatch," Brown said. "But then we turned it on after that."

The Lady Warriors split with Hatch Valley and swept Wingate and Bloomfield, but then split with Laguna Acoma in their final match, dropping Ruidoso to No. 2 behind Pojoaque but still earning them a bye into the second round on Thursday.

Ruidoso faced Crownpoint, which beat Wingate in four games early Thursday morning. Brown said Crownpoint won thanks to a stingy defense.

"Their ability to cover the court and dig the balls up is very good," Brown said. "They've also got some left-handed hitters that are good, but it's their back-court defense that got them where they are."

For Ruidoso to win and move on to the next match — scheduled for 2 p.m. today at Tingley — Brown said it will have to just keep hitting the ball.

"Our offense is up to it, we just have to keep hitting hit hard," Brown said. "We have to stay aggressive at the net with our blocking and keep putting it down. They won't be able to dig up everything."

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down or less.

"We've had injuries off and on, but we don't have any excuses," Smith said. "We'll still have one kid out Friday, but we'll still have to play with whoever we have."

Scott said that the past schedule is just that — in the past. Tucumcari and Capitan will play tonight and the records won't matter. The only thing that will is who gets to move on to the semifinals.

"We're ready to go, I can tell you that," Scott said. "We've still practiced for the two weeks and approached it all the same way. This is just business as usual."

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Carrizozo's Johnny Beltran (11) gains some yards against Questa's secondary during the Grizzlies' quarterfinal win last Saturday at Laabs Field in Carrizozo.

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those."

Other factors the Grizzlies will have to contend with are the distance and weather. Burns plans to take his team north starting today, with an overnight stop and workout in Las Vegas.

Clayton, by contrast, made the 320-mile trip in one day, and it took its toll.

The wind could be stiff as well, which would cramp Carrizozo's throwing.

"I don't know if having all our running backs back will help," Burns said.

It's also always dangerous playing a team twice in the year just because of the familiarity factor.

"They know what you do and remember how we defeated them," Burns said. "That ticks them off. They were ranked No. 1 at the time when we beat them, and they'll remember that."

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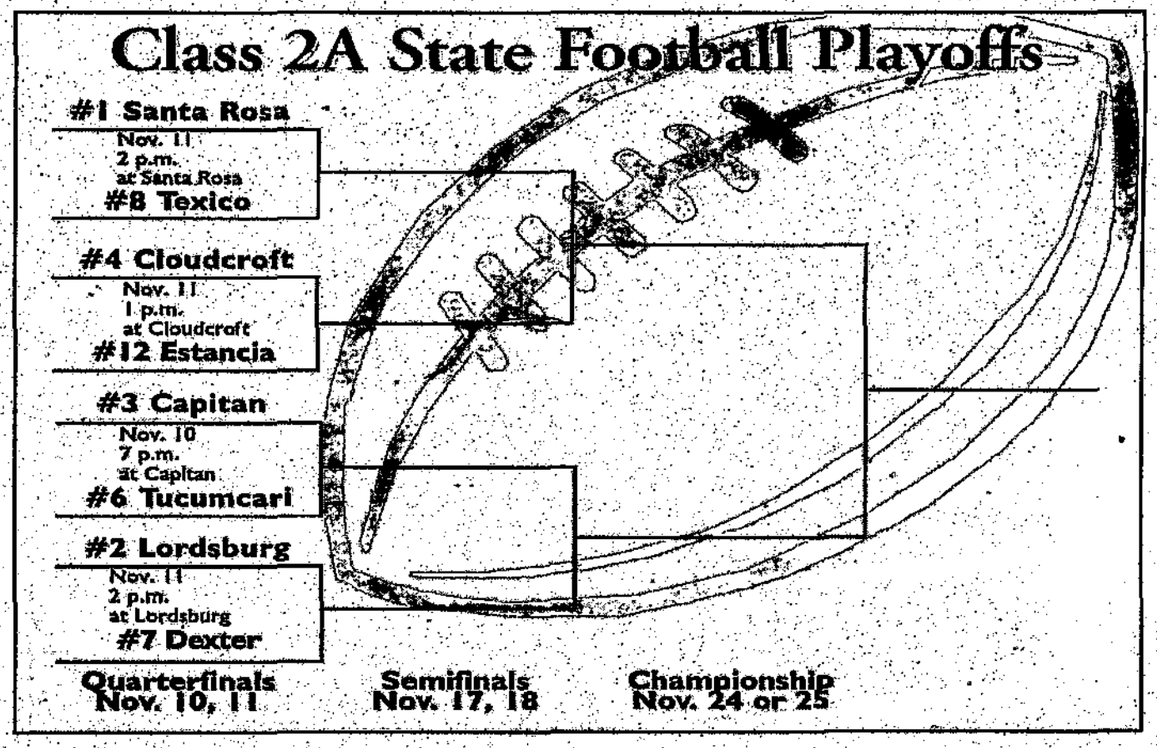

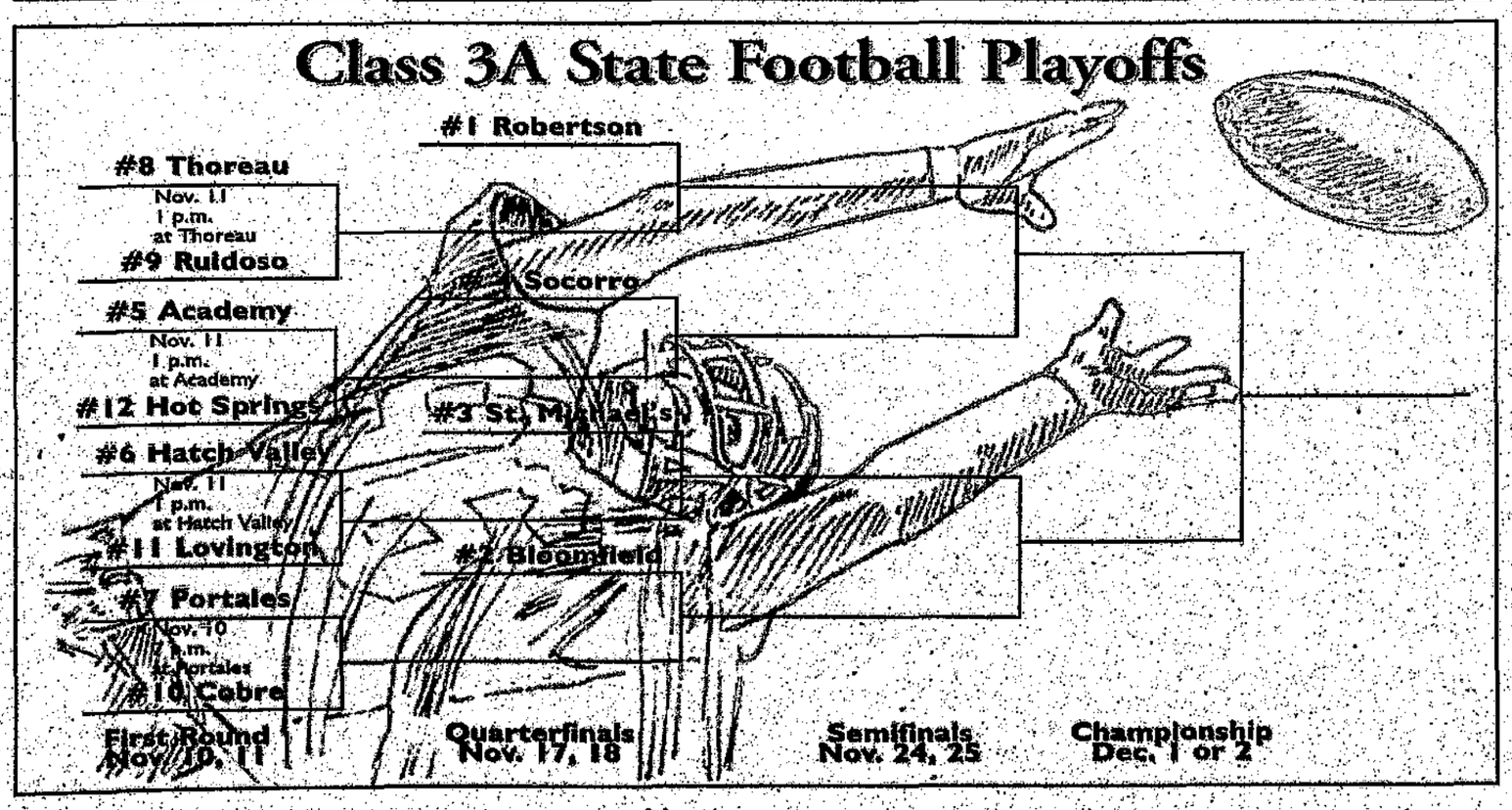

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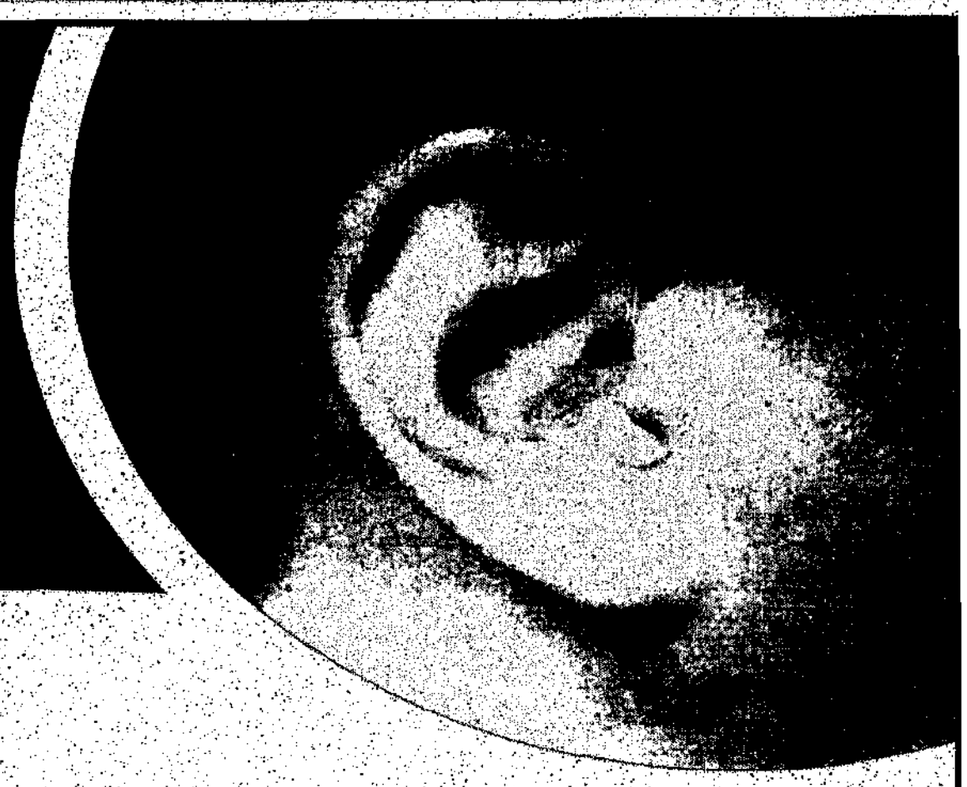

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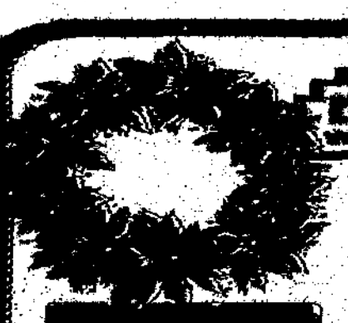

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Rocky Horse Day Care 4-year-olds visited the Carrizozo Family and Consumer Sciences class, currently studying child development. One class group made their own "Twister" game while the other group prepared a Thanksgiving turkey art project.
Top photo back row l-r: Tim Barela, Krista Padilla, Adam Zamora, Jacob Verdugo with Robert Gonzales, Austin Vega, and James Gonzales.
Bottom photo l-r: Kayla McClung, Marin Najar, Mya Zamora, Eric Koroscil, Kaitlyn Vega and D'anna Willingham

Harkey receives state school board award

JULIE CARTER
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President of the Carrizozo Board of Education, Steve Harkey, has been notified of his selection as the New Mexico School Board Association 2006 Board Member of the Year.

Harkey has been a Carrizozo school board member for 10 years. His position is up for re-election in February, and like the contributing work-horse he has been, he said he has plans to run for the job again.

Harkey said he has been nominated other years so he was very surprised when, this time, he actually was selected for the award.

"It is such an honor and especially come from a small-town, small-school board," said Harkey.

School Superintendent Sergio Castañon said he and a former superintendent nominated Harkey along with letters of recommendation from staff members. "It is a tremendous honor to have a board member selected for this state award," said Castañon. "It shows how the district itself is functioning. It takes a leader such as Mr. Harkey to put the pieces together for the success of the students and staff."

"Mr. Harkey is a hands-on school board member that has gained a tremendous amount of knowledge and background very beneficial to our school," continued Castañon. "He is always working in, around and for the school. He anchors the board with a positive outlook and that trickles down to the whole school."

Castañon said Harkey was competing against a pool of nominations from New Mexico schools from small to the very largest, making the selection even more prestigious for Carrizozo Schools.

A native of the area and a 1975 graduate of Carrizozo High School, Harkey said watching the progress and accomplishments the school has made is part of the lure to continue the job on the board.

"Eight or nine years ago we created a master plan for the school and we have accomplished most of those goals," said Harkey. "Now we are in the process of putting together another master plan and I want to see that begin. I've been proud to be part of the progress."

JULIE CARTER/STAFF

Steve Harkey, Carrizozo, has been named School Board Member of the Year by the NM School Board Association.

Harkey said some of the things accomplished during his time on the board has been facility and building improvements to all the school buildings, a staff of solid teachers that promise continuity in the education with little turnover, and a school that continues to get better and better.

Quick to share the credit, Harkey said he is only one of a complete board that makes the decisions. "This award is for all of us, and honor for the whole board," he said. "It takes the entire board making the decisions, not just a single member."

Harkey will receive his award at the Dec. 1 NMSBA annual convention in Albuquerque.

States largest agricultural organization to gather in Duke City

The 89th annual meeting of the New Mexico Farm and Livestock Bureau is set for Nov. 16-18 at the Sheraton Uptown in Albuquerque.

Agenda items will include a look at the world of water in New Mexico with D.L. Sanders, chief legal counsel for the office of the New Mexico State Engineer.

Upcoming legislation dealing with domestic wells will be discussed along with a number of water rights issues.

Also in advance of the 2007 legislative session in Santa Fe, Farm Bureau delegates will be debating the issue of abuse of eminent domain statutes.

Janet Jarrett of the Governor's Eminent Domain Task Force will give Farm Bureau an overview of the committee's work.

Another growing controversy in the agricultural industry is the proposed national animal identification program. New Mexico State Veterinarian, Dr. Dave Fly, will update members on the progress of this program at 9 :30 a.m., Friday.

A special vespers program at 5:30 p.m.,Thursday, will feature nationally acclaimed western singers Curly Musgrave and Belinda Gail. The duo is in Albuquerque for the Western Music Association's National Music Festival.

Friday evening, the annual New Mexico Farm Bureau banquet will feature statewide awards for educator of the year, distinguished service to agriculture and Farm Bureau family of the year.

Saturday morning, Nov. 18, Farm Bureau delegates will debate and adopt policy resolutions for the upcoming year.

For more information contact Erik L. Ness at 505-532-4705

Hear the call of the wild

They are here and they are everywhere. The fall months bring out the masses of hunters seeking trophy antelope, deer, and elk.

Wal-Marts across hunting country are full of camo'd men talking on cell phones loading up with ammo, hard candy and beanie weenies.

They drive into town in big, powerful and very expensive vehicles pulling heavily loaded trailers full of all the essentials for a successful hunting camp.

This would include at least 17 gigantic coolers filled with plenty of fine camp cuisine including t-bone steaks and cold beer, a selection of brand new ATV's and camp trailers that completely take the "camp" out of camping.

Recent studies indicate that hunting and other wildlife-associated recreation bring more than $1 billion to New Mexico's economy, including $127 million from outfitting and guiding businesses.

What those numbers boil down to is the majority of that income comes from imported hunters. They come from every corner of the country wearing and owning every thing Cabela's has to offer.

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Small towns in the heart of hunting country offer free chili suppers or free breakfast for hunters.

One guy reported it cost him about $200 in gas to go around to all the little towns and eat their food. He isn't a hunter, just an eater.

Signs will be posted "45 miles to the next ammo store" and if doesn't say ammo it says "beer."

While I mock the current state of the sport of hunting, it is not foreign to me and mine. I come from a long line of meat hunters who indeed hunted first for family sustenance and later as a family sport and somewhat a right of passage to manhood for my brothers.

County Views
BY JULIE CARTER

The "locals" just gear up, go kill something, bring it home, skin it out, cut it up and know they have winter meat in the freezer. While they have plenty of fun doing it, it is more a way of life than an epiphany for them.

I have a son who wore his first camouflage as a toddler. He is now 13 years old and the lure of hunting has only matched his growing size. He is a crooked-stick hunter (archery), as well as rifle, and is learning to do a little winter varmint trapping on the side.

The discovery of marketed "scents" to disguise his "people" smell while sitting in an hunting blind was an exciting find for him. Somehow, the idea of wearing elk urine scent on his clothing was completely entertaining to him at an age where he finds that anything gross is hysterically funny.

Like those that have come before him, he lives for the next hunt and the next hunting camp which is apparently as fun as the hunt itself.

"Look Mom, the new Cabela's catalog just came in the mail."

Julie can be reached for comment at jcarter@tularosa.net I have been told that the first Thanksgiving dinner with the pilgrims was not turkey but was, instead, chicken-fried elk steak.

COUNTY BRIEFS

Pancake breakfast

Carrizozo Special Olympics will host a benefit pancake breakfast 8:30-10:30 a.m., Saturday, Nov. 11. Price is $5 per person for pancakes, sausage, juice and coffee. For more information call Fran Altieri at 648-2379.

REDFT to meet Monday

The Lincoln County Rural Economic Development through Tourism will meet at 1 p.m., Monday, Nov. 13 at the Village of Capitan conference room.

For more information contact Coda Omness at 378-4142.

Corona Christmas Fair

The 4th Annual Christmas Craft Fair will be 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Dec. 2 in the Corona High School Auditorium. Potters, jewelry, stemware, pillows, clothing, rope art, and foodstuffs will be available to shoppers.

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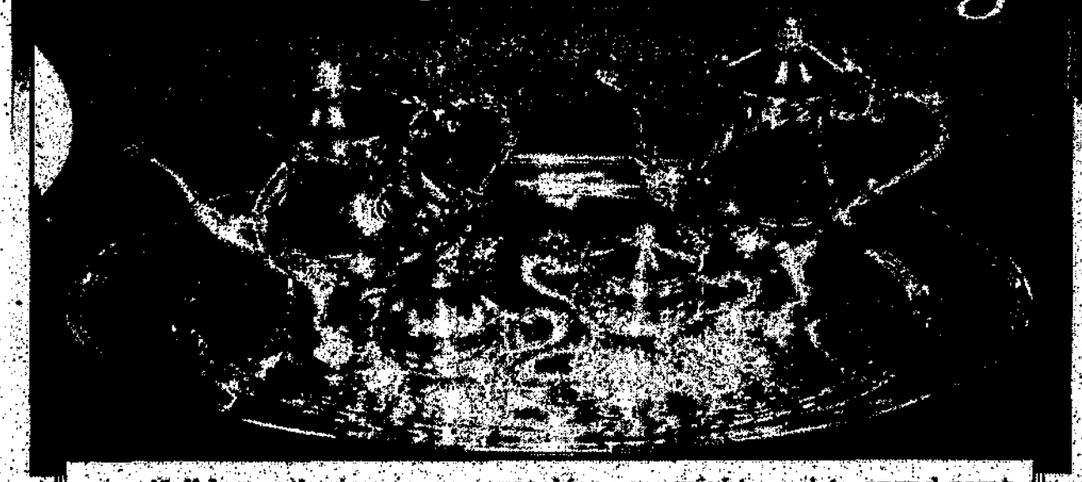

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Silver that is regularly handled and used seldom needs polish; silver that sits collects layers of tarnish from disuse. Perhaps our faith in God behaves in much the same fashion. The more we use it, the brighter it shines. If we neglect it, our faith dims and it takes more strength to renew it once more. "For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made his light shine in our hearts...." (2 Corinthians 4:6)

Worship this week. Your faith need not dim. Polish it with praise and prayer. It will shine like new.

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First Baptist Church
270 Country Club Drive, Ruidoso, NM 88345. (505) 257-2081. Tim Gilliland, Pastor. Contemporary Services, Saturday 6:00 p.m. & Sunday 11:00 a.m.; Traditional Service Sunday 8:30 a.m.; Sunday School all ages 9:45 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service 5:00 p.m.; Wednesday Activities for all ages, 6:30 p.m.

First Baptist Church
Ruidoso Downs. Randy Widener, Pastor. Sunday: Sunday school 9:30 a.m.; Worship hour 8 & 11 a.m; Eve. worship: 6:00 p.m.; Wed. Prayer meeting 6:30 p.m.

First Baptist Church
Tinnie. Bill Jones, Pastor. Sunday School 9:45 a.m.; Sunday worship 11 a.m.

Mescalero Baptist Mission
Mescalero. Sunday: Sunday school 10 a.m.; Worship 11 a.m., 7:15 p.m.; Training union 6:30 p.m. Wednesday services 6:30 p.m.

Ruidoso Baptist Church 126 Church Drive, Palmer Gateway. Wayne Joyce, Pastor. Sunday School: 9:45 a.m., Sunday worship: 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m., Wednesday Bible study: 7 p.m.

The J-J Country Church Interdenominational- Hwy. 70 W 505-257-6899 Rev. Charles W. Clary. Sunday 8:15 & 10 am Worship. Tuesday 6:30 pm Worship Sunday e-mail: helpandhope@zianet.com

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CHURCH OF CHRIST

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EPISCOPAL

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

EVANGELICAL

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Congregacion Hispana de los Testigos de Jehova 1102 Gavilan Canyon Rd., 336-4147, 378-7093. Dom.: Reunion Publica--10:00 am.; Estudio de la Atalya--10:50 am. Mart.: Escuela del Ministerio Teocratico--7:00 p.m.; Reunion de Servicio--7:50 p.m. Juev.: Estudio de Libro--7:00 p.m.

LUTHERAN

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

METHODIST

Community United Methodist Church Junction Road, behind Wells Fargo Bank, Ed Barlow, Pastor. Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.; Sunday worship: 8:30 a.m., 10:55 a.m. 257-4170

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PRESBYTERIAN

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

Ancho Community Presbyterian Church, Pastor Terry Aiello, CLP. Sunday worship: 9 a.m.; Sunday School: 10 a.m.

Corona United Presbyterian Church, Pastor Terry Aiello, CLP. Sunday worship: Church School, 10 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.

Nogal Presbyterian Church Reverend Bill Sebring. Adult Sunday School: 10 a.m.; worship 11 a.m.

REFORMED CHURCH

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

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Ruidoso Seventh Day Adventist 207 Parkway, Agua Fria, Ruidoso Downs, 378-4161. Pastor Bill Kasper 505-437-0237; 1st Elder Manuel Moya 505-937-4487. Saturday: Sabbath School 9:30 a.m.; Church service: 11 a.m. Wednesday: Prayer meeting 7 p.m.

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NON-DENOMINATIONAL

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

Calvary Chapel 127 Vision, next to Cable Co., 257-5915. Pastor John Marshall. Sunday worship 9:30 a.m.; Wednesday: Mid-week bible study 7:00 p.m.

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

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CAPITAN & LINCOLN CHURCHES

BAPTIST

Trinity Southern Baptist Church (south on Highway 48) Mt. Capitan Rd. 354-2044. Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.; Worship: 11 a.m.; CrossFire Youth Group Wednesday 6:30 p.m. Celebrate Recovery (Faith based 12 step program for all types of addictions) Tuesday & Thursday 6:00 p.m. 808-0607

Mountain Baptist Church
Independent-Fundamental KJV. Sunday School- 10 AM. Sunday Service - 11am, Sunday Evening- 6pm. Wednesday Bible Study 7PM 145 E. Grandview - Capitan - (505) 937-4019

CATHOLIC

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

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Capitan – Highway 48. Les Barwood, Minister. Sunday Bible study: 10 a.m.; Sunday worship: 11 a.m., 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible study: 6 p.m.

EPISCOPAL

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

FOURSQUARE

Capitan Foursquare Church Highway 48, Capitan, Harold W. Perry, Pastor. Sunday School: 10 a.m.; Sunday worship: 11 a.m., 7 p.m.; Wednesday Bible study: 7 p.m.

METHODIST

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

NAZARENE

Angus Church of the Nazarene Angus, 12 miles north of Ruidoso on Hwy. 48, 336-8032. Rick Hutchison Pastor. "OVERWHELMED" contemporary worship, 9:00 a.m., Sunday School for all ages, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship and Children's Church, 10:30 a.m.; Sunday Evening Worship, 6 p.m.; Wednesday: Community dinner, 6:00 p.m.; Adult classes, Youth games and study, Kid's Klub, 6:30 p.m.

NON-DENOMINATIONAL

Christ Community Fellowship Capitan, Highway 380 West, 354-2458. Ed Vinson, Pastor. Sunday school, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday worship, 10:30 a.m.

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CARRIZOZO CHURCHES

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

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

BAPTIST

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

CATHOLIC

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

CHURCH OF CHRIST

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

EPISCOPAL

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

METHODIST

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

NON-DENOMINATIONAL

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

MESCALERO

Carrizo Christian Fellowship Leonard Kaneswah III, Pastor. 56 White Mt. Dr., 3 mi. W. of Inn of the Mountain Gods Mescalero. Sundays 10:30 & 6:30. Wed. 6:30 464-4656

The Bible offers hope of life after death; buried by faith is an option

Q. My husband died a year ago and I'm suffering greatly from this loss. In making this adjustment, I believe it would give me great peace of mind if I could believe that we will be reunited again some day.

I've heard all my life that this will be so, but I have not been able to find any clear statement in the Bible to this effect. I've checked with several knowledgeable people, but the verses given seem to make this reunion a possibility – but not clearcut. Am I missing something?

- M., Ocala, Fla.

The God Squad
TOM HARTMAN AND MARC GELLMAN
TRIBUNE MEDIA SERVICES

A. The closest the Hebrew Bible comes to affirming a belief in life after death is in the Book of Daniel, written about 200 years before the Common Era. The text states: "Many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to eternal life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt." (12:2-KJV). Isaiah offers the only other echo of this hope, "He will swallow up death in victory, and the Lord God will wipe away tears from off all faces." (25:8-KJV).

The Hebrew Bible had a hope for life after death; it just didn't have the theological vocabulary to express it fully. This all changed when Judaism encountered Greek philosophy. After Alexander the Great conquered the land of Judea in 333 BCE, and his tutor, Aristotle, conquered its mind, the Greek philosophical concepts of Matter and Form were translated by the rabbis into the new Jewish terms *guf* and *neshama*, or body and soul.

This was the most important theological and philosophical breakthrough in the history of Judaism. With the new affirmation that we human beings are comprised of perishable bodies and immortal souls, rabbinic Judaism, which came after biblical Judaism and out of which emerged early Christianity, finally had the concepts to fulfill the biblical hope that God would never abandon us. From that time on, the belief in heaven and life after death for our immortal souls became a central belief in both Judaism and Christianity, and, later, Islam.

Q. I am 61 and Jewish, quite fit and healthy and do not think I will be dying for quite a while. My husband, who was 59 and Catholic, passed away two years ago. His family has a plot at St. Patrick's Cemetery in Smithtown, N.Y., 5 minutes away from where I now live. This is a small cemetery and I visit it often and find solace there.

When I buried my husband, I had a two-day wake, service, burial, etc. When I chose a headstone, the church and archdiocese permitted me to put both a cross and a star of David on it, so that I could also be buried there. They said that since my husband was Catholic, I could be buried with him, even though I am Jewish.

However, I read in a recent column of yours that it's not appropriate for a Jewish person to be buried in a Catholic cemetery. This is very troubling to me. I want to be buried beside my husband and it doesn't matter to me where it is.

Even if I remarried, and married a Jewish man, I think I would still feel the same way. I spent almost 25 years with my husband and feel that I belong with him after death. What do you think?

- E., Smithtown, N.Y.

A. Dispensations can be given from the general rule that only Catholics can be buried in Catholic cemeteries. Keeping a family united is one of the possible reasons for this rare dispensation. As we have written previously, however, there is no body that can grant dispensations to Jews, and the rule in Judaism is clear: You must be Jewish in order to be buried in a Jewish cemetery.

In your case, you did the right thing by burying your Catholic husband in a Catholic cemetery. Now, if you never remarry, you can be buried with him, and if you do remarry you would also have the option of being buried in a Jewish cemetery.

Does war in the name of religion make all religion bad?

Q. I don't see what good religion has done for the world. History is filled with wars and injustices that have been carried out in the name of religion. Religion just divides people, in my opinion.

How do you defend religion in light of all the evil it's caused?

- A.McD.

Billy Graham
• MY ANSWER
TRIBUNE MEDIA SERVICES

A. You are right up to a point: At times, religion has been misused, and wars and conflicts have been carried out in the name of religion – and still are today.

But does that mean all religion is bad, and nothing good has ever come about through the actions of religious people?

No, of course not. Think of all the hospitals and educational institutions throughout the world that have been built in the name of Christ. Think too of the major social movements that were sparked by devout believers, such as the anti-slavery crusade or the movement to end child labor.

For centuries Christians have sought to put Jesus' command into action: "Love your neighbor as yourself" (Mark 12:31).

This is why I invite you to look at Jesus Christ and see for yourself what He taught.

Yes, at times people have distorted His teachings and misused His name.

They have forgotten Jesus' warning to Peter: "Put your sword back in its place ... for all who draw the sword will die by the sword" (Matthew 26:52).

But when you look at Christ as He is found in the pages of the New Testament, you will realize that He was unlike anyone else who ever lived.

The reason is because He was God in human flesh, sent from heaven to deliver us from our sins.

Don't let anything keep you from Christ, for only He can give us hope for the future.

Pray for our leaders, no matter who they are

The elections have come and gone and not all of us are satisfied with the outcome of certain races for office.

I have never seen such personal attacks as were used in this cycle of campaigning. Instead of stating positions on the issues and goals to be accomplished, personal attacks are the standard of campaigning for most candidates.

Clary-fications
BY CHARLES CLARY
RUIDOSO PASTOR

I think one of the things that most disturbed me is the phrase used by various candidates – "your president."

Folks, whether you like George Bush or not, whether you like his leadership or not, and whether you like the direction of his administration or not, he is our president.

Candidates that use the term "your president" have apparently given up citizenship in the United States of America.

I did not care for the leadership and morals of Bill Clinton but he was my president.

And, I prayed for him all during his presidency.

Paul writes in his first letter to Timothy (2:1-3), "I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgiving be made for everyone, for kings (political leaders) and all those in authority."

Regardless of the outcome of the various political races, I challenge you to join with me in praying for those who represent you and exercise authority over you.

Pray in the practice of whatever faith you choose. If you have no faith, think positive thoughts about our leaders. There is certainly enough negative working in our American society.

Let us join together in the positive to strike some kind of balance.

In the third verse of that passage in I Timothy, Paul writes, "This is good and pleases God, our Savior."

By the way, being positive or negative is a choice. Does your choice give you help for today and hope for tomorrow? Jesus does!

A tribute to Dr. A.N. Spencer – the faith that saved a young girl's face

WELDA MCKINLEY GRIDER
For the Ruidoso News

I "bumped into" Jackie Spencer eight years ago in Wal-Mart. Literally. We were both bent over in the cleaning isle and hit bottoms.

We stood to apologize and in the many years since I'd first met her, Jackie had not changed.

She didn't remember me but I remembered her. I asked about her husband's, Dr. A.N. Spencer, health and she said it was poor. I told her tell him for me that I remember him and I thank him greatly.

I presume that I went to Dr. Spencer as a child to get check-ups and shots. However, that part I don't remember.

What I do thank Dr. Spencer for is the fact I don't have scars on my face.

When I was 14, a pressure-cooker full of pinto beans blew up in my face. I had mostly second-degree burns over my face.

Due to Marion Spencer's 4-H classes, we had a washcloth in the freezer for such emergencies as this. Thank goodness.

That was in the days when freezer space was small to begin with and taken up by meat, not ice cubes.

I clearly remember Dr. Spencer telling my mother about a new process that he had never seen done but had read about.

The idea behind this new process was that scabs caused scars. Therefore he would make a mask that would be peeled off twice a day, thereby not allowing scabs and, hopefully, not cause many scars.

I was in the Carrizozo hospital for one week. Dr. Spencer came in twice a day to tear off the old mask and put on a new one. I only cried the first time. Tears have salt and salt hurts open wounds.

Dr. Spencer was known for his gruffness. Either I was used to gruff men or he wasn't gruff with me. My memories are that he would come in and very gently tell me to be tough. He would grimace as he tore off the mask.

He would explain to me that the faster he did it the less time it would hurt. Actually that wasn't the worst of it. The worst pain was the new mask being put on.

He would tell me every day that he didn't know for sure if it would work but the other remedy would leave me scarred.

That was his explanation for why he had to hurt me every day. I would look in his eyes and know he was doing the best he could. I have very clear memories of those eyes mirroring my pain and not being happy that he was the cause of pain.

I also had to have an antibiotic shot every two hours. To this day I have to be near death to get a shot.

I also clearly remember the day he released me from the hospital. He sadly told my mother that it went better than he expected, however I would still have two scars. One by my eye which at some point would look like "laugh lines" and then one on my cheek that he said would be fairly light and when I got older and started using makeup, it could easily be covered.

The faith of a mother and the faith of a child in a mother's faith. We left the hospital and my mother said I don't believe that. I believe that God will cover up those scars and so she prayed for me. I believed those prayers. I believed in the months of having an unnaturally red face that no scars would show.

I don't have scars. I am not sure who to credit that to. My mother or Dr. Spencer but either way I am eternally grateful for both.

When my husband and I bought our ranch and did the renovations of moving into my childhood home, there was still the imprints of the beans on the ceiling. I laughed.

Not that I needed a reminder. Every time I look in the mirror I am glad there was a country doctor in my hometown that read the medical journals and was willing to try a new procedure that today is taken for granted.

In small towns we are like a quilt – hand-sewn and made up of many pieces that make the whole.

With God, all things are possible.
Luke 18:27

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Childhood obesity is a national problem

SUZANNE ZOCH
For the Ruidoso News

In a recent study by the Harvard School of Public Health, 92 percent of all Americans surveyed consider childhood obesity to be a serious national problem.

The obesity rate among young people has tripled since 1980. Some of the problem is linked to the increase in unhealthy junk food products available in the market and the sophisticated advertising techniques used to develop brand loyalty among young children.

In a study published in the *Journal of Pediatrics*, British researchers found that every additional hour of television viewing on weekends increased the likelihood of obesity at age 30 by 7 percent. Doctors are concerned about the sedentary habits of children who plug into TV, video games and computer Web sites for several hours a day.

Drinking high calorie drinks like soda, juices with added sugar, smoothies and coffee drinks has been shown to increase a child's likelihood of becoming obese. A study published in the *Journal of Pediatrics* revealed that the average child drinks at least two cans of soda each day. This is the equivalent of 20 teaspoons of sugar. Each can of soda consumed by a young person increases his/her chances of becoming obese by 60 percent.

Children, who eat unhealthy snacks and junk food daily, often develop deficiencies in certain nutrients, like iron, zinc, B vitamins and protein. These young people are significantly more likely to be over weight, aggressive and hyperactive. This information was confirmed by a study done at UCLA.

Researchers at Eastern Virginia Medical School have confirmed that there is a correlation between fewer hours slept and weight gain.

Children sleeping fewer than eight hours at night produce hormones that cause food cravings. This leads to eating late night snacks which contributes to weight gain.

The emotional cost of childhood obesity has harmful effects on young people.

A study published in the *Journal of Pediatrics*, revealed that overweight youngsters are at higher risk of cruel treatment by peers and depression, resulting in binge eating which compounds the problem of obesity.

About two million young persons in the United States ages 12-19 have pre-diabetes, a condition linked to obesity and inactivity that puts them at risk for full-blown diabetes and heart problems. The researchers from the National Institute of Health conducted this study and suggested that parents are the key to preventing obesity and pre-diabetes.

The following are parental life-style interventions that can curb childhood obesity and pre-diabetes:

•Limit TV watching, computer surfing of Web sites and video games to 1 hour on schools days and 2 hours on weekends.

•Set aside time for active outdoor play, exercise and family activities.

•Replace high calorie drinks with sugar-free juice.

•Replace sugary cereals and unhealthy snacks with nutritious foods.

•Make sure your children get a full eight hours of sleep at night.

•Reduce portion size of foods served at meals.

Intervene if your child is harassed by peers because he/she is overweight, but also start him or her on a weight management program.

Article is courtesy of the Lincoln County Community Health Council, Nancy LaPointe, coordinator. For more information call 257-1877.

ALPHA DELTA KAPPA

COURTESY

The New Mexico Eta Chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa elected new officers for 2006-08. Alpha Delta Kappa is an international honorary organization of women educators dedicated to educational excellence, altruism and worldwide understanding. October is celebrated as "Founders Day." The organization was founded in 1956. L-r: Immediate Past President and Chaplain Eva Clark, Treasurer Selena Enriquez, Membership Chairman Angie Provine, Recording Secretary Dottie Macvelgh, Corresponding Secretary Becca Ferguson, President Connie Forrest and Historians Sandra Hatch and Joyce Davis. Not shown is President Elect Carolyn Stover.

Community Foundation Week celebrates giving

■ More than $3.2 billion in grants paid out by community foundations in U.S.

The Community Foundation of Lincoln County, CFLC, will join more than 700 community foundations across the country for Community Foundation Week, Nov. 12–18, to celebrate local charitable giving.

With assets of approximately $39 billion, community foundations are one of the fastest growing sectors of philanthropy in the United States today. In 2004, donors gave U.S.-based community foundations more than $3.2 billion in gifts.

"Donors of all kinds find that community foundations are an ideal vehicle for their philanthropy, offering people the opportunity to give back to the community," said Steve Gunderson, president and CEO of the Council on Foundations. "Their strength and ingenuity have put them in financial positions that better serve their communities."

Community foundations have far-reaching benefits for anyone interested in philanthropy. They are located all through the nation and offer their services to all donors, including those of modest means.

People can get involved by establishing a fund with their local community foundation, serving on an advisory committee or volunteering with an agency the foundation supports.

"Community foundations are at the heart of our cities and towns. We know the places of need in our area, and we can direct resources to solve those problems," said CFLC Chairman Dean Lollar. "Here at the CFLC donors can direct their giving through specific endowed funds at their request or make general contributions to the CFLC's Legacy Fund."

Community Foundation Week began in 1989 with a proclamation from former President George H.W. Bush and a congressional briefing on community foundation activities.

The observance has raised awareness of community foundations' charitable activities and services to donors seeking to maximize their philanthropic dollars.

The CFLC began in December 2004 through a Lincoln County collaborative effort spearheaded by the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce.

Representatives from Carrizozo, Corona, Capitan, Ruidoso, Ruidoso Downs and Nogal discussed the vision and possibilities of the charitable organization.

The CFLC is a 501 c (3) non-profit organization. For more information on giving to the CFLC, contact Lollar at 648-2057 or CFLC Vice-Chair Scott Shafer at 648-2377.

Are elderly parents stressing you out?

SANDI BROWNE
For the Ruidoso News

You've seen the ads on television and in magazines – a distinguished older man and his vivacious, still-curvy younger wife are playing golf on a luxurious course.

They smile at each other and we know that the Golden Years are something special.

How many ads have you seen of the elderly who are physically challenged next to their worn-out caregivers? Nor do we see the somewhat demented grandmother who lives amid trash, yelling at her daughter to leave her alone.

Not many pictures appear with an older person sitting alone in a darkened room, tear-stained face, attempting to endure life without their mate of many years.

Those images portray an aspect of aging that is often whisked under the rug in our society.

While older age brings many opportunities for psychological growth and healing, it also offers difficult challenges and decisions, both for the elderly and their adult children.

Seventy-two percent of all caregivers are women. They have been characterized as "women-in-the-middle." Most are in their middles years (40s, 50s, 60s) and also in the middle of three or four generation families. They find themselves enmeshed in conflicting values.

They juggle fulfilling responsibilities to elder parents with working outside the home and/or pursuing their own interests.

Emotional stress occurs to almost all caregivers, both men and women. Depression, anger, anxiety, frustration, guilt, sleeplessness, demoralization, feelings of helplessness, irritability, lowered morale, and emotional exhaustion can occur when caregiving duties conflict with other demands of life.

Women, in particular, often find their caregiving role causes strain on their marriages as they sacrifice time with husbands and family to take care of their aging loved ones.

Research has shown that daughters generally have higher levels of stress than sons do, however, much depends upon the individual personality.

Are they able to tolerate ambiguity, multiple demands, and feelings of powerlessness?

Being a primary caregiver to an elderly parent is challenging. It is important that you find resources not only for them, but also for you.

Learn to look people in the eye and ask for help.

Ask your family and friends to assist in parent-sitting, meal preparation, chores, errands, or simply to provide moral support for you.

Now is the time to take care of yourself. Eat healthy, get proper rest, schedule time for fun and relaxation.

You cannot give what you do not have.

If your energy and emotional cup is half-full, how can you assist full measure with your parents? Instead, fill your cup and give from the overflow.

Say what is going on. Talk to friends, counselors, and ministers about your feelings. Intense emotions are common in your circumstances. Now is not the time to play martyr, but rather the time to honestly share your feelings with people who care.

Be nice to yourself. Take time to nurture yourself with activities that give your comfort or make you feel pampered.

Burnout is a major problem for caregivers.

Answer the following questions formulated by the Midwest Geriatric Care Managers Association to see if burnout is around your corner:

•Are you crying, depressed, losing your temper more often?

•Are you using alcohol or tranquilizers to console yourself?

•Are you misplacing items?

•Are you isolated from friends?

•Do you continually say "no" because you feel you are the only one able to do the job right?

•Do you never seem to have enough time?

•Are you feeling overwhelmed and resentful?

Unlike the glamorous ads, life is a messy business where loving actions are often in conflict with desires, time, and money constraints.

If you are a caregiver, it is imperative that you learn to take care of yourself so you are able to take care of others.

Sandi Browne is a Licensed Professional Counselor who works with The Heritage Program for Senior Adults and has a private counseling practice.

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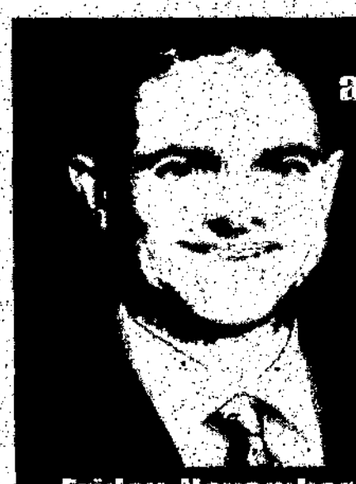

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Campground incentive honors Veterans

To thank the men and women who honorably served their country with military service during wartime or peacetime, all fees will be waived Saturday in the Lincoln National Forest, said Forest Supervisor Lou Woltering.

"The Forest is open and available for tent camping or RV camping, hiking, driving for pleasure on scenic routes or just relaxing are welcome, and we hope you enjoy your National Forests," he said.

Day use fees and overnight camping fees on the Lincoln National Forest will be waived on Veteran's Day to encourage visitation by veterans to the nation's national forests, recognize our nation's public lands as an environmental refuge and economic resource and to protect our natural resources, he said. U.S. veterans, members of the U.S. Armed Forces and their families who visit the Lincoln National Forest locations Saturday can enjoy the named developed sites at no charge, Woltering said.

Fee-free sites currently open on the Smokey Bear Ranger District are: Cedar Creek Picnic/Pavilion area, Schoolhouse Picnic Area, Monjeau Lookout Campground, Baca Dispersed Campground, Ruidoso, and Three Rivers Campground located on Highway 54 north of Tularosa.

Sites open on the Sacramento Ranger District are: Karr Canyon Picnic Area, Pines Campground, James Canyon Campground, Upper Karr Campground, Bluff Springs and the Trestle Recreation Area.

The Guadalupe Ranger District offers the fee-free day at Sitting Bull Falls Recreation Area located near Carlsbad.

Winter schedule

After the observance of Veteran's Day, some of Lincoln National Forest recreation sites will close for the winter season. Contact the Ranger District Office for the latest information.

The Recreation Enhancement Act permits federal land management agencies to charge modest fees at campgrounds, high-impact recreation areas and at day-use sites that have certain facilities. The Act is designed to increase consistency, coordination, maintenance and enhance visitor services across participating Federal agencies and provides a safe and healthy recreation setting on public lands.

For additional information on the Lincoln National Forest, between 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, call the supervisor's Office at 505-434-7200; the Smokey Bear Ranger District Office at 505-257-4095; Sacramento Ranger District Office at 505-682-2551 or the Guadalupe Ranger District Office at 505-885-4181.

Forest Service maps, brochures and Smokey Bear memorabilia items are available. The Lincoln National Forest Web site can be found at www.fs.fed.us/r3/lincoln.

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Recent births at Lincoln County Medical Center:

- October 25, 2006, a boy, Alexis Yahir Rivas, 7 lb, 12.7 oz, 19 1/2", to Judith De La Torre and Edgar Rivas
- October 25, 2006, a girl, Skyla Rae Monet Enjady, 7 lb, 13.3 oz, 19", to Dashina Cochise
- October 27, 2006, a girl, Kayliah Rose Ahidley, 6 lb, 4 oz, 19 1/2", to Kristal Wabaunsee and Kris Ahidley
- October 28, 2006, a boy, Anjel Nevaeh Baca, 7 lb, 7.8 oz, 22", to Natalie Sanchez and Matthew Baca
- October 30, 2006, a boy, Edgar Evan Magana, 5 lb, 14.9 oz, 18", to Erica Rangel and Edgar Magana
- October 31, 2006, a boy, Jessie Shane Neil Yahnahki, 6 lb, 15.8 oz, 20", to Mary Peralta and Taylor Yahnahki
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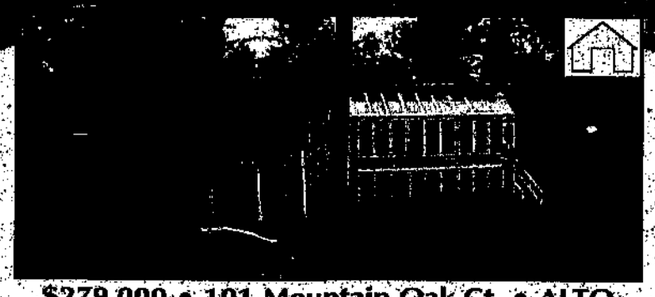

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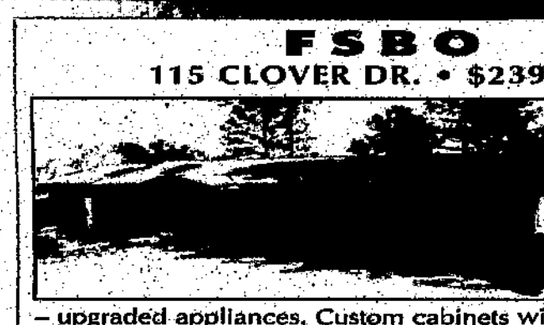

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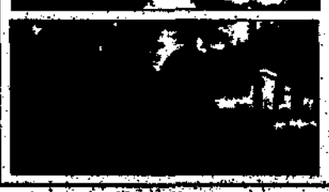

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211 MOGUL • $449,000 Great 5 bedroom home with lots to offer! Tile entry, kitchen, breakfast, sunken LR with kiva-style fireplace. Gourmet kitchen, cheery breakfast area, lots of pantry & storage. Sauna and hot tub.. MLS# 17615

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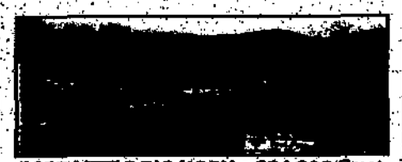
OFF JARRETT ROAD • $145,000 Five + acres, useable slopes, good for possible building sites. Owner will consider selling a part of the acres separately. MLS# 17610

HWY 48 & CANAAN TRAIL • $89,900 Over 11 acres of gently sloping wooded land. Great for possible homesite or can be broken into smaller parcels. MLS# 17616

DESERT SANDS • $33,950 Views of mountains all around. Close to Alamogordo. Go towards Oliver Lee Park, turn left on Dog Canyon, left on Desert Air, right on Valmont, which curves to Desert Sands. Sign is on the property. MLS# 17664



1112 LITTLE BIG HORN • $24,900 Great views from this lot, creek also. Water and sewer taps, natural gas avail. Mountain views, trees at end of lot. Ready for home to move in! Don't miss this chance to buy at a good price!! MLS# 18072

233 BYRON • $8,500 • MLS# 18174 Nice lot in Timberon Subdivision. Call for map and directions.

RIO ALAMOSA DRIVE • $29,500 • MLS# 17965 Lots 197, 198 & 199. 1.55 acres near Spencer Theater. Undeveloped area, great investment or building location. Call for map and directions.

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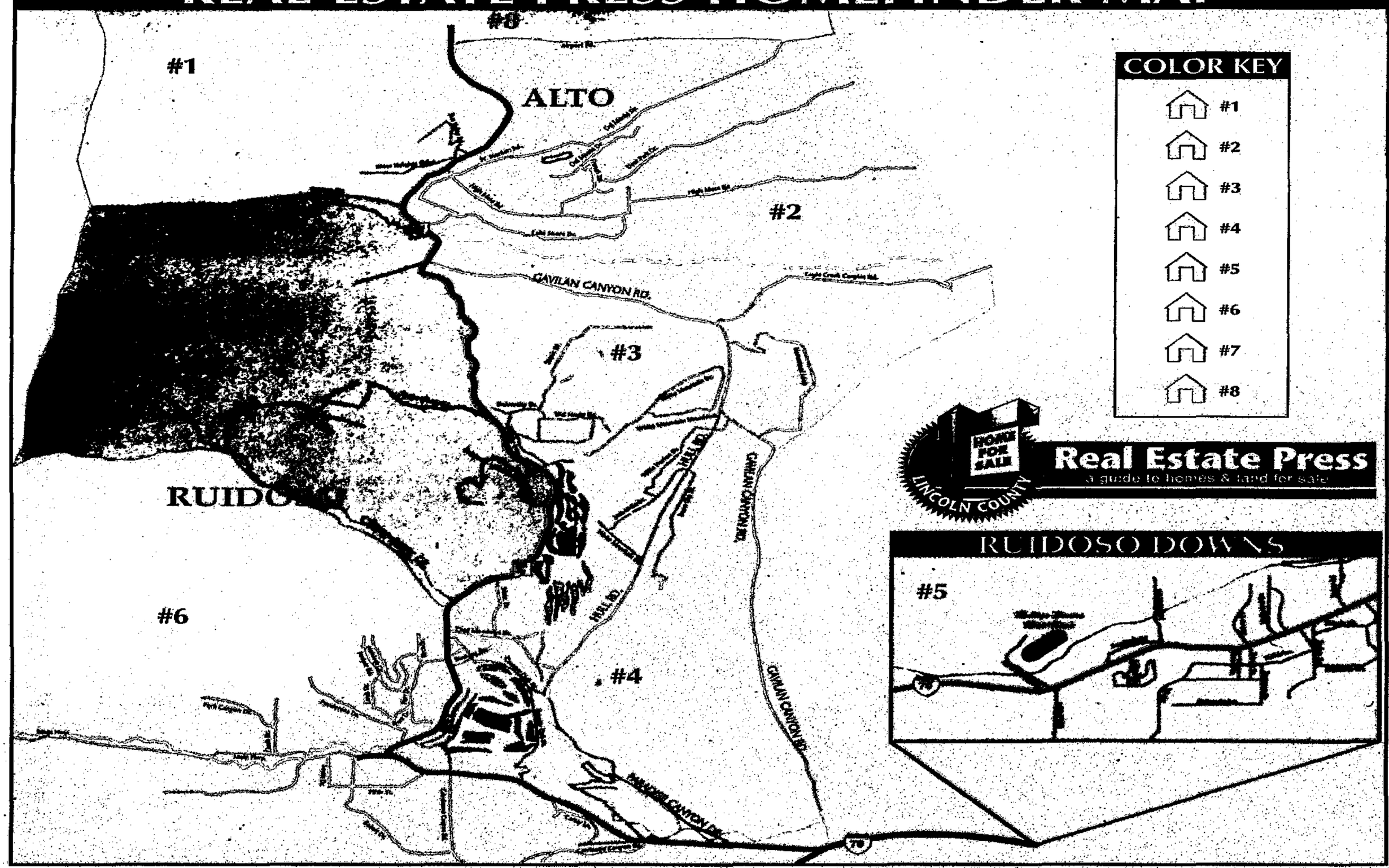

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$675,000 • 114 Slay Road, Ruidoso

3 BD / 1-3/4 BA + Office. Riverfront home beautifully remodeled and partially furnished. Located in the prestigious Sleepy Hollow w/ 75' of Rio Ruidoso frontage! Great home for entertaining or just relaxing in the hot tub on the 12'x30' deck. Large rock FP in the living area, open kitchen w/ breakfast bar, formal dining room, vaulted ceilings and hardwood floors throughout main house. Oversize master BR w/ rock FP, 305 sq.ft. guesthouse w/ full bath.

$139,900 • 213 Wingfield Road, Ruidoso

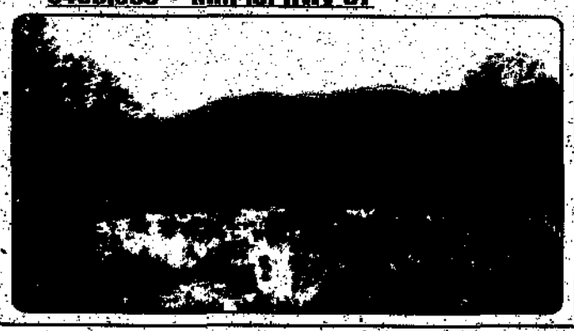
2 BD / 1-¾ BA home located in a great location close to Mid-Town. Convenient to shopping, dining and entertainment. Inside home has been completely updated and remodeled. Remodeling includes laminate wood floors, new kitchen, new paint, and new carpet. Electrical and plumbing have been updated. All city utilities.

$399,000 • 400 Snow Cap Drive, Ruidoso

4 BD / 3-½ BA beautiful home in the prestigious White Mtn Estates with tremendous Sierra Blanca views off all three decks and living room. Featuring high ceilings, an open floor plan, formal dining room, two living rooms and much more. You must see! Exterior freshly painted and new carpet inside. MLS# 17712

$435,000 • MM .5, Hwy 37

Beautiful 26.87 acres of land overlooking the Bonito River Valley. Very conveniently located near Highway 48 and Highway 37. Must see to appreciate! MLS# 17582



$299,000 • 214 Nogal Place, Ruidoso

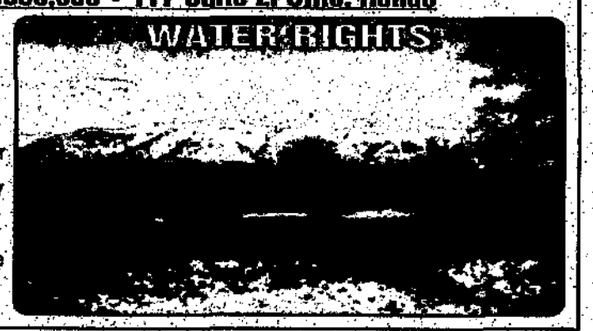
3BD/2BA fabulous custom built Prewitt Construction home with many extras including knotty pine ceiling, hardwood floors, California redwood bar, oversized windows to maximize Sierra Blanca views. Great home in terrific neighborhood! Will consider all reasonable offers. MLS# 17620

$159,900 • 225 Yellow Pine Road, Ruidoso

3 BD / 2 BA brand new SOLITAIRE HOME never been occupied. 1680 Sq. Ft. Textured walls, upgrade faucets, ceiling fans, raised ceilings, crown molding, bull nose corners and an open floor plan. Master bath set up w/ his/her sinks, sep. Shower and garden tub. Sit in the dining area or step to the deck for breathtaking views of S.S. Outlet neighborhood and permanent foundation. Move in ready! MLS# 17444

$850,000 • 117 Calle El Ojito, Hondo

24 pristine acres of pasture land in the Hondo Valley with 20-1/2 acre feet of senior water rights and 1500 ft. Of river frontage! 100 year old 2 BD / 1 BA adobe home. Fully fenced. E. On 70 to MM 284 Rt. Onto Old School Road. Rt. On Calle El Ojito. MLS# 15917



$99,900 • 702 White Mountain Drive, #2

1 BD / 1 BA Rarely on the market Palisades unit. Great rental unit or full time home. Centrally located with easy access year round. Large master bedroom with access to community club house. Vaulted ceilings, gas fireplace and furnished! Ready to move in! MLS# 17702

$279,900 • 415 Grove Drive, Ruidoso

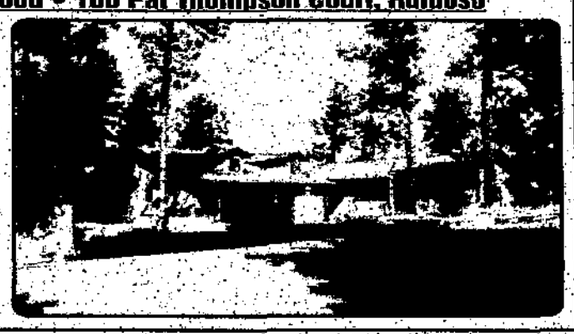
3 BD / 2 BA new and improved super maintained home on cul-de-sac. Terrific landscaping, multiple garages and RV parking. Mostly level and all city utilities. Very private setting with adjoining lot available. A must see! MLS# 17500

$189,000 • 1430 Wood Lane

Splendid views of Sierra Blanca and the racetrack, bordering on the national forest. Nice quiet area at the top of Dipaolo Hill Drive, across from racetrack entrance. Can be subdivided. Horses allowed. MLS# 16765

$475,000 • 106 Pat Thompson Court, Ruidoso

Exquisite spacious 6 BD / 3 ¾ BA newer home with magnificent views of Sierra Blanca. Located on a very desirable cut-de-sac. Very upscale finishing touches. Great decks with all the amenities. MLS# 17472

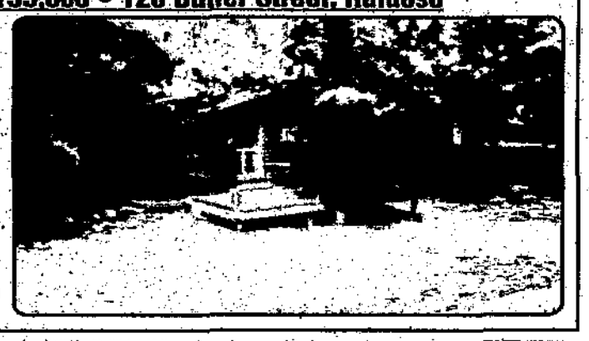


$239,900 • 606 Flume Canyon Drive

3 BD / 2 BA cabin but it has that classic Ruidoso charm you look for in a home in the mountains. Conveniently located. Knotty pine interior, wide plank pine floors, stone work at fireplace. Quality appliances. MLS #17172

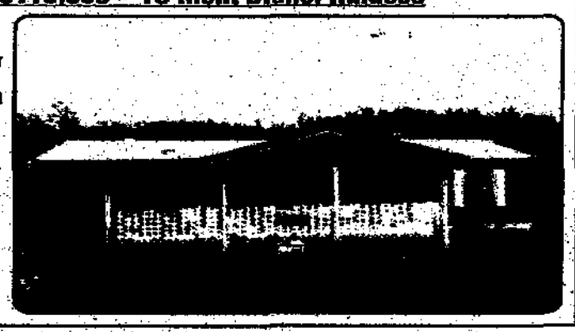
$155,000 • 120 Butler Street, Ruidoso

3 BD / 1 BA traditional Ruidoso charm! Log sided cabin, prime location, might be 30 steps to Sudderth. Walk to breakfast, shopping and all Midtown services. Old, but wonderfully situated and super comfortable. Located directly behind Misty Mt. Gourmet! Three lots! MLS# 16520



$115,000 • 10 Mont Blanc, Ruidoso

3 BD / 2 BA lovely, inviting home on a quiet lot. Split floor plan with wood burning fireplace in living room. Bright kitchen with separate dining area. Large fenced backyard, back ups to National Forest. This house is extremely clean. A must see! MLS# 17026

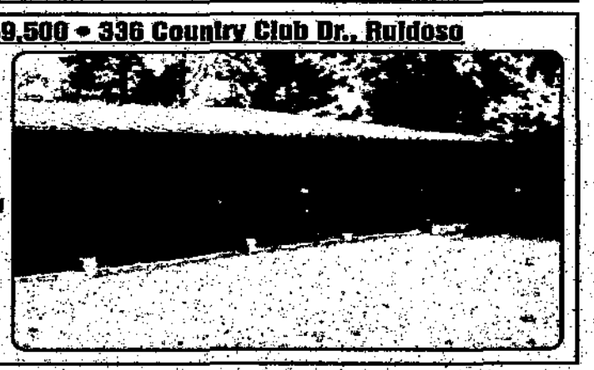


$179,900 • 113 Little Road, Capitan

3 BD / 2 BA Immaculate manufactured home with views sitting on 3.8 acres. Would make great horses property. MLS# 18000

$269,500 • 336 Country Club Dr., Ruidoso

3 BD / 2 BA beautiful home completely remodeled with many super features. Open floor plan, private backyard, completely remodeled and upgraded. This home is a must see, very enchanting! Call Teri for appointment.

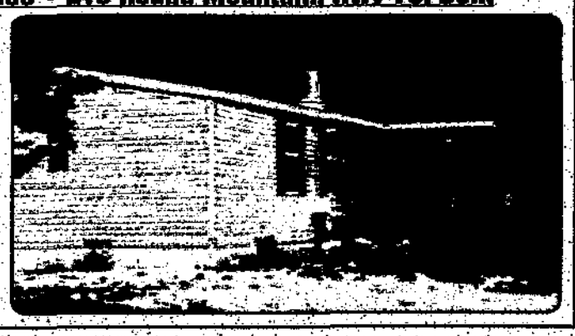


$129,900 • 337 Chisholm, Alto

3 BD / 2 BA fully furnished home. Large open kitchen with all appliances. Spacious master bedroom with 54" walk-in shower and large tub. Split floor plan provides for easy living. Covered Trex deck, R-30 insulation (ceiling, walls, floors and 6" walls). Home sits on permanent slab foundation. MLS# 17618

$119,900 • 219 Round Mountain, Hwy 70, Bent

2 BD / 2 BA home on three acres with awesome views of the mountains and the White Sands of the Tularosa Valley. Home has been remodeled and looks great! Property joins BLM Land with improved road for easy access. MLS# 18126



$100,000 7.83 Acres in Capitan with gorgeous views. Level, buildable lot with trees. Super location, close to Capitan. Make offer!! MLS# 14623.

$75,000 303 Riverview Circle, Ruidoso Downs 3 BD / 1 BA cute starter home in a nice area. Well maintained manufactured home with a terrific add-on, covered back deck and great yard. Would make a great first home! MLS# 18039

$499,000 362 River Trail, Ruidoso – 3 BD/2-½ BA home located on the river. Beautiful open floor plan. Adjoining the new River Crossing property. Very secluded yet accessible. Huge deck overlooking river. Large natural wood table and stools, 2 arrowhead collections and 1 bear rug no wall. MLS# 15885

$457,500 El Paisano Road, Capitan - 60 acres with views of Sierra Blanca, Capitan, Sacramentos, and Nogal Peak. This is the perfect property for your dream ranch horse property. Great piece of land, close to shopping and dining district. Owner will finance!

$159,000 203 Brady Canyon, Ruidoso - Cute, cozy and close! This immaculate three bedroom manufactured, two full bath, "turnkey" home is completely furnished, with king size bed in master bedroom, twin beds in guest bedroom. Vaulted ceilings, sky lights and double pane windows. Large covered and uncovered decks. MLS# 15781

$49,000 MM 267 Hwy 70 (North) in Glencoe – Nice 1.63 acres of land with southern exposure. Great views from this buildable lot. Seller to create easement to top of lot. Amended plat – Gonzales Land Division, Gonzales Tract 1. As shown on that certain plat recorded June 3, 2003 in Cabinet H, Slide 603, records of the Lincoln County, State of New Mexico. MLS# 17181

$319,000 291 Meadowhill Drive, Ruidoso Lovely fully furnished home in desirable Middle Cedar Subd. This home features a game room w/ pool table & big screen TV. Open floor plan w/ large formal dining room & living room. 2 BD up-stairs & 2 downstairs. Nice balcony off master BD. Pellet stove & wood burning stove, knotty pine interior w/ great décor, new carpet, wonderful decks & outdoor space. Sq.ft. per appraisal & w/ gameroom.

$229,000 1111 Main Road, Ruidoso 3 BD / 2 BA home completely remodeled and fully furnished located in the Upper Canyon. Great location across from the river. Large new deck. Very private setting on a large wooded corner lot. Two entrances. New aerobic septic system. A must see! MLS# 16660

$139,900 118 Lone Road, Capitan 3 BD / 2 BA well maintained home with level access. Expansive views of the Capitans and the valley. Living room has views and large rock fireplace. Location provides easy access to town. Safe neighborhood with quiet atmosphere. Hwy 380 West to Long St. to E. Lobo to Large. MLS# 16656

$109,000 West Gavilan Road, Ruidoso – Absolutely the best straight on view of Sierra Blanca anywhere. Access to National Forest. Meadows and huge ponderosas. Wildlife everywhere. Nothing like this anywhere in Lincoln County. Won't last! Well & septic. Adjoins additional 4.58. MLS# 17276.

$104,000 West Gavilan Road, Ruidoso - Absolutely the best straight on view of Sierra Blanca anywhere. Access to National Forest. Meadows and huge Ponderosas. Wildlife everywhere. Nothing like this anywhere in Lincoln County. Won't last! Adjoins additional 4.75 acres. MLS# 17274.

$399,000 110 Bear Creek Trail, Ruidoso 3 BD / 2 BA beautiful 1840 ft. Home with 127 ft. River frontage. Great covered deck. Hardwood floors, knotty pine den and two rock fireplaces. Furniture gives home Ruidoso cabin look. Most furniture and hot tub included. MLS# 17278

$595,000 193 Simms Road, Ruidoso Rare riverfront property bordering the private area of Ruidoso Cabin Owners' Association! Rustic 3 BD / with two ¾ baths, red cedar interior, vaulted ceilings, enclosed porch, indoor grill, separate guest cottage and the river at your doorstep.

$99,000 121 Meander Drive, Ruidoso Gorgeous, green huge old trees growth on this choice lot in an outstanding area. Quiet location, extra convenient to town, southern exposure for solar! Call Teri! May be sold with 125 Meander Drive. MLS# 17178

$155,000 100 Everest Drive – 2 BD / 1-½ BA cute cabin in secluded area. Living area has beautiful wood paneling, wood burning fireplace, and sliding glass door which leads to large covered deck. New cabinets in spacious kitchen. Lots of storage under home. Owner in the process of painting exterior. MLS# 17709

$139,000 204 Hwy 246, Capitan – 3 BD / 2 BA home, plus studio apt. Above garage. Close to town. Grand master suite on second level, walk out balcony to view Sierra Blanca and the Capitans. This home is priced **10k below** 2003 appraisal. Motivated seller!! MLS# 17795

$249,000 441 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso (Contract Sounds) Business only. Outstanding opportunity to acquire an exceptional business. Building is leased, all equipment included. Owner willing to train! Call Teri for details. P&L's to qualified buyers. Very profitable business!! MLS# 16091

$355,000 MM19 Hwy 48 Beautiful property zoned R-3 currently occupied as residence with 1800 sq. ft. And workshop/garage. Land is already subdivided and can be purchased separately. Refer to MLS 16090, 16091, 16094, and great commercial or residential property. Approximately 2.75 acres. MLS# 16207.

$299,000 190 Don Servier Drive, Ruidoso Beautiful 4 BD / 3 BA home with open floor plan. Great views of Sierra Blanca and golf course. Tons of storage, large two car attached garage. Covered and uncovered decks. Close to schools, Midtown and golf. MLS# 16845

$199,000 222 Country Club Drive 3 BD / 1-½ BA - This artist's home is charming, bright and unique. The inside of the house has a lot of appeal. Original hard wood floors, knotty pine and stone fireplace. Plenty of room for growth and expansion. Lots of storage. Home is located across the street from the river and walking distance to Midtown.

$39,000 North View Drive, Capitan Come and see this great 1.70 acre with lots of usable space. Lot can be accessed from North View or at the end of the cul-de-sac on Rock View. Look for signs. Good lot, nice views, great price. Bring your offer today! MLS# 17971

$119,000 301 Eisenhower Street, Carrizozo – 3 BD / 2 BA wonderful family home in quiet secluded neighborhood. Great functional kitchen with center island, dining area, and hanging pot rack. Master bedroom is a "parent retreat" with sitting room/nursery. Vaulted ceilings throughout home that give it that spacious feel. Oversized garage/workshop. Don't miss the beautiful views of the Sacramentos and Capitans. Call Rose at (505) 973-1260.

$129,000 - $140,000 Rio Vista Condominiums – 2 BD / 1 BA and 3 BD / 2 BA terrific condominiums in a very desirable location. Close to Midtown and the Golf Course. Good for full time or put in the rental pool with on site management. Beautiful patios and large decks. Great investment. MLS# 17739 Call office for other MLS Nos.

$89,000 590 5th Street, Carrizozo 3 BD / 2 BA newer, never lived in before, vaulted ceilings in living room and open kitchen. Great neighborhood. Easy access to the highway. Very quiet. Built on solid 4" slab with cinder block wall outside. 8x12 storage and carport. MLS# 17775

$132,500 103 Santa Maria 3 BD / 2 BA home located near Midtown, Grindstone Lake, and the Inn of the Mountain Gods. Newer home with new septic tank, new water line and solid concrete foundation. Wood burning fireplace, textured ceilings and skylight. Two separate lots. MLS # 15562

$179,000 308 River Trail, Ruidoso 2 BD / 1 BA nice house, great location on the Rio Ruidoso. Beautiful trees, carport, walk to Midtown, or just sit and enjoy the river. Cabin next door also available. Excellent find for someone!. MLS# 16545

$199,500 159 West Deer Trail 3 BD / 2 BA nice home on quiet cul-de-sac with over an acre of land. This newer home, on a permanent foundation, is tape and textured throughout. The home has a split floor plan with a garden tub in the master bath, and large living area. Six inch walls and storm windows make this home very efficient. Owner motivated, make an offer! MLS# 18028

$137,000 114 Sunset Sunset Road, Ruidoso Downs Great river frontage property that needs a little clean-up to shine. The property has .16 water rights. Doublewide manufactured home and site built, 2 car garage w/ nice 2 BD, 1 BA apartment on the top. Apple and peach trees. Sq. ft. And acreage per appraisal. Hwy 70 east, right on Sleeping Springs RV Park to the end, cross bridge to property. MLS# 16914

$149,000 903 Main Road, Ruidoso 4 BD / 1 & 2 3/4 BA beautiful home in Upper Canyon. Sit on the deck and listen to the Rio Ruidoso. Great master suite downstairs w/ rock FP and sitting area. Lots of windows for airy, bright living room and breakfast area. Large formal dining, perfect for entertaining. Guest cabin for out of town visitors. Garage has large loft for extra storage. 3 building lots, house sits on one.

$235,000 238 Paradise Canyon, Ruidoso Land, building and well established woodworking/ cabinetry business for sale. Terrific location with high traffic volume. All woodworking equipment and inventory included. MLS# 17456

$169,000 427 Juniper Drive, Ruidoso Downs 3 BD / 2 BA cozy corner of the downs just two blocks east of Ruidoso border. Small, quiet, attractive neighborhood. Only owner/residents on this small Cul-de-Sac. Large Living room with rock fireplace. Open kitchen design. Large carport.

$59,000 183 Park Canyon, Ruidoso Very rare building lot in the upper canyon. Gentle slope down hill. Great views. Cleared to New Mexico Forestry Defensible Standards. Main go right on Ebarb, left on Mak to dead end. Sign on the property. MLS# 15174

$249,000 214 Metz Drive, Ruidoso 3 BD / 3.5 BA large fully furnished Innsbrook Condominium. Each bedroom has own bath, 2 decks and overlooks golf course and pond. Easy, level access, terrific rental history with swimming pool, tennis courts, and golf. MLS# 16853

$244,000 198 North Drive, Ruidoso 3BD/1-34/BA beautifully maintained and updated home in the lovely enchanted hills sub. This home features two living areas, two dining areas and spacious bedrooms, 2 car garage and a large sunroom to enjoy all year. Located close to shopping and schools. Priced to sell. MLS# 18036

$245,000 111 Calow Ln. White Mountain Meadows Exquisite 4 BD, 2 ½ BA custom home in peaceful, quiet location. Built in 2001 with beautiful tile floors, tan Berber carpet, recessed lighting, central vac, French doors, cherry cabinets, radiant floor heating, 2 fireplaces and pellet stove, lush landscaping, covered courtyard, basement storage and much, much more! Best value in White Mountain Meadows!

$179,000 River's Edge, Glencoe Terrific riverfront property! 3 BD / 2 BA manufactured home on a full acre of river front with 2400SF garage/ workshop, 2 RV hook-ups, mature trees, pond, covered and uncovered decks. Property has underground pet fence.

$299,000 323 Cedar Creek Drive, Ruidoso 3 BD / 3 BA beautiful home in a great area. This large home has been impeccably maintained and features 2 dining areas, 2 living rooms, newer refrigerated air, newer carpet and a huge garage workshop area. Lots of storage and workshop space underneath the home. Addition in 2003 with beautiful knotty pine and large windows. Fully furnished, set up to sleep 15.

$179,000 290 Bryce Drive, Ruidoso Very clean home in the pines. Great private sunroom, off of large living room with brick fireplace. Open kitchen with double pantry and additional windowed laundry. All appliances and furniture included. Double pane windows, level entry and hand painted cistern. Covered entry from carport and fenced yard. MLS# 17209

$205,000 134 Bluebelle Loop 3 BD / 2 BA terrific home at the end of Bluebelle in Cedar Creek. Very desirable location. Beautifully decorated sunroom, office, hardwood floors. Eight ceiling fans. Tongue and groove wood ceiling throughout with beams. 850 s.f. Basement with walkout. MLS# 17208

$189,000 281 Fourth Street 2 BD / 2 ¾ BA – This is a remodeled chamber close to Midtown and Grindstone Lake. New gas forced air heating, and wood flooring in living areas, bedrooms and sun room. Double car garage, work shed with electricity running to it. Plenty of storage and a great wooded lot. MLS# 17703

$195,000 West Lake, Capitan 2 BD / 2 BA home fully furnished in a quiet neighborhood. Two large master suites, one w/ built-in FP and private deck with panoramic views of the Sacramentos and Sierra Blanca. Additional loft could be Bird bedroom. Cute garden setting in backyard with pond and sprinkler system. MLS# 17528

$195,000 129 West Drive, Ruidoso Downs 3 BD / 2 BA 1568 sq.ft. Solitaire home. Open floor plan w/ front and back views. Center island & pantry in kitchen, large dining area. Master BR w/ spacious walk-in closet, garden tub and shower. Ceiling fans and lights in every room. Xeriscaped yard with drip system. Double carport, two large covered decks, 12x20 workshop, RV parking with hookups. Lots of storage room in and underneath. Some furniture available for purchase.

$119,000 8 Paint Horse Trail, Tularosa 2BD/1BA home on three acres with awesome views of the mountains and the White Sands of the Tularosa Valley. Home has been remodeled and looks great! Property joins BLM Land with improved road for easy access. MLS# 18126

$199,000 620 Cantzo Canyon Road, Ruidoso 3BD/2BA home zoned C2 commercial located in a great location. Catch the traffic to/from Inn of the Mountain Gods Resort. Cantzo Creek is flowing beautifully on the back of the property. This is a hot location. Don't wait to make an offer! MLS# 18007

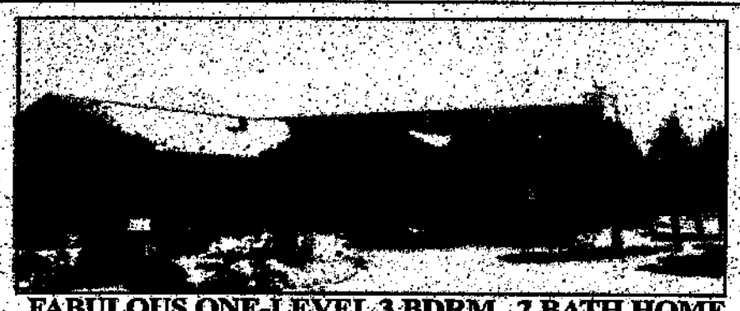
STOP DREAMING... START LIVING!

Whatever style or location you prefer, we can help your dream home become a reality!

GREEN PEACE
If you enjoy peace and quiet, come home to this 3 bdrm., 2 bath home secluded in the woods and yet only minutes from town. Open kitchen & living area with a fireplace. National Forest is your back yard. Located on a small cul-de-sac. **$159,900. #16561.**

GREAT 3 BDRM., 2 BATH CHALET w/COURTYARD & HOT TUB
Approx. 1283 sq.ft. per appraisal. Quiet, yet you can hear the Rio Ruidoso River. Partially furnished. Storage, nice wooded views! Must see! **$199,500. #18125.**

THE PERFECT CABIN IN THE WOODS!
2 bedroom, 2 bath, tongue & groove wood accents throughout. Nice rock fireplace, 900 sq. ft. covered deck. Big corner lot w/big trees, nicely xeriscaped in front. Office/workshop. Best house you will see in this price range. **$199,900. #17531.**



FABULOUS ONE-LEVEL 3 BDRM., 2 BATH HOME IN DEER PARK MEADOWS
Wheelchair accessible. Terrific view of Sierra Blanca, fenced courtyard, large liv. area w/vaulted ceilings. Wonderful FP. Large covered back deck, office & oversized 3 car garage. **$440,000. #18127.**

SIERRA BLANCA VIEWS WILL MAKE YOU WANT TO SIT ON THIS HUGE COVERED DECK & NEVER LEAVE!
4 bdrm, 2 full baths & 2-1/2 baths, living room & den, most living area on main level, den & 1/2 bath downstairs, super White Mtn. Estates on McBride Dr.! Call to see! **$449,500. #18168.**

CHARMING FRENCH COUNTRY BEAUTY!
Trees w/ views. Successful B & B for 11 years! 2 master suites: one upstairs. Commercial kitchen, spa room, spacious, warm & comfortable. Price includes full Alto membership lot. **$590,000. #16152.**

TERRIFIC HORSE PROPERTY!
Totally fenced. Great 3 bedroom, 2 bath log home that features a large courtyard w/water feature. 10 stall enclosed horse barn w/caretaker qtrs. above. 4 stall outside paddock. Must see! **$1,165,000. #16922.**

HEAVEN ON EARTH!
See agent for feature sheet! 2 mobiles, adobe built in 1874. 2000 ft. river frontage, 10.5 acres of water rights! Everything you need for a working farm/ranch. Fruit & walnut trees, lush green fields. A real cowboy's dream! **$1,247,000. #17914.**

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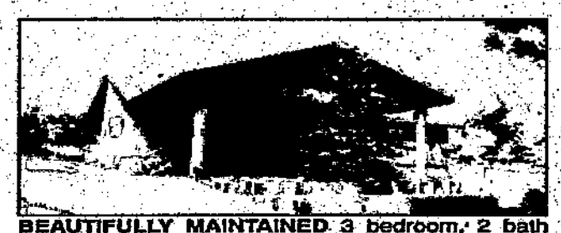
HUGE SIERRA BLANCA VIEW FROM LIVINGROOM! Newly remodeled. Great location close to town. 1580 sq.ft.per county records. Lot 2 and part of Lot 3. Check out large yard with tree house. $229,000 #16595

GOOD RENTAL POTENTIAL. Two clean manufactured homes on two lots. Has hookup for an RV and good storage building. $117,500. #17723

UPPER CANYON. Great get-a-way cabin with Ruidoso charm. Neat, clean, 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath with city utilities. Cozy rock fireplace, wooded view, nice location. Possibly the best bargain in Upper Canyon. $112,000. #15713

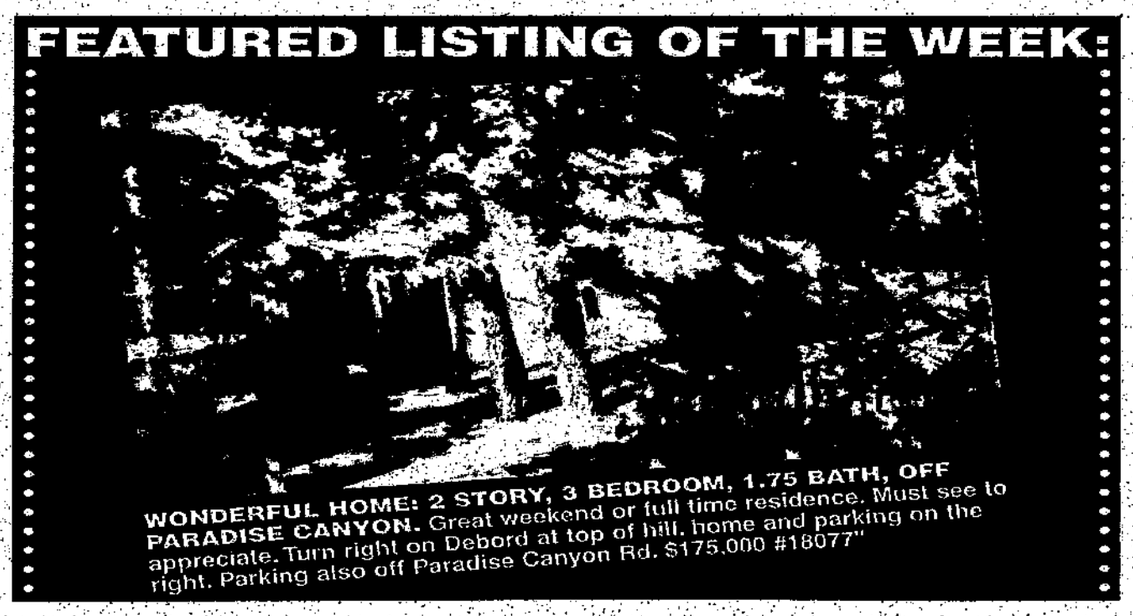


BEAUTIFULLY MAINTAINED. 3 bedroom, 2 bath home in very nice area. The perfect full time or second home. Call us on this one! $239,000 #17968

WHAT A VIEW! Nice building lot with Sierra Blanca view. Centrally located in village limits with all city utilities available/ View lots at this price are almost impossible to find. $34,500. #16773

GET INSIDE AND BRING YOUR OFFERS! Delightful family home on corner lot in White Mountain Estates. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, spacious, open floor plan with huge living room, dining room, and kitchen. Get your buyers inside this one and bring your offers! $345,000 #17598

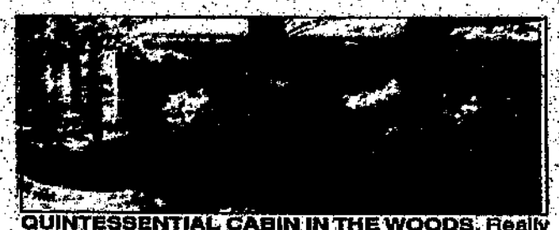
FEATURED LISTING OF THE WEEK:



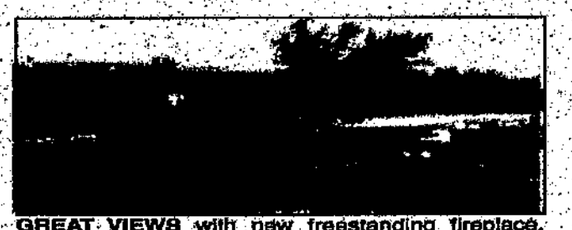
WONDERFUL HOME: 2 STORY, 3 BEDROOM, 1.75 BATH, OFF PARADISE CANYON. Great weekend or full time residence. Must see to appreciate. Turn right on Debord at top of hill, home and parking on the right. Parking also off Paradise Canyon Rd. $175,000 #18077"

LOTS OF LOVE put into this nice family home. Well maintained, 4 bedroom, 2 bath manufactured home with large yard and charming water features. Good views including Capitan Mountains, Underground utilities $155,000 #16936

LOOKING FOR THE PERFECT CABIN? Newly remodeled 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Bright and cheerful with tile floors and light wood. Wood stove keeps it cozy. Street to street lot. $136,500 #16728



QUINTESSENTIAL CABIN IN THE WOODS. Really cute, 2 bedroom, 1 bath weekend cabin priced under $100K. Don't miss this one. $97,000 #17560



GREAT VIEWS with new freestanding fireplace. Super home for part time or year round. Sq. footage per county records. Some work still being done, but feel free to look. Home has aerobic system for sewer. $70,000. #17078

OLDER SINGLEWIDE MOBILE on over one half acre. Large deck on front, unfinished 2 car garage would make great workshop. Metal roof on garage and house. $85,000. #15924

RUIDOSO CHARM with knotty pine walls, cozy rock fireplace, covered and uncovered decks, large pine trees, fully furnished. It has a great location and easy access. Even a fenced-in yard for your 2-legged or 4-legged child. $175,000. #17945

ALMOST 1.5 MILES OF FRONTAGE on Highway 380. Level to gently slope. Enjoyable views, good well, electricity available, rural, unlimited possibilities and fenced. $632,500 #10897

PRICED REDUCED - EXTRA CLEAN, well maintained older mobile on wooded lot with covered deck, 2 bedroom, 1 bath, fully furnished and ready to move into. SELLER ANXIOUS - $59,900 #16035

BEAUTIFUL VIEW LOT with very buildable slope. Sierra Blanca view. Nice neighborhood, close to town. Utilities available, septic required. $35,000 #15635

10 ACRES IN RANCHES OF SONTERRA. Mostly level, has shallow well. Great building site, close to park area, newly paved road. $98,000 #16737

TAKE A LOOK! Views of the Capitan Mountains existing road through the property. 2.9 miles from the Sandesta turnoff.$80,000 #15709

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MECHEM FRONTAGE

MLS# 15720 $395,000
Great high visibility commercial location on corner of Mechem and Hansen Dr. Old Sierra Glass. 1530 sq.ft. office and 4458 sq.ft. gi shop with heat and 12 x 50 ft. door. 1/2 bath in office.

MECHEM FRONTAGE

MLS# 10693 $649,000
Adobe Plaza with large lot adjacent to complex. Total of 9 units. Zoned C-2 commercial business, adobe & frame construction. All units have leases in place effective April 1st. Restaurant unit (formerly the Deck House) has evap. cooling. Includes land & bldg, city utilities. 7k SELLING BONUS!!

ALTO

MLS# 15865 $850,000
Beautifully furnished home on cul de sac with 4.70 acres, 4 bedrooms, 2 living areas, office, secluded setting, custom features throughout. 1400 sq.ft. of decking. Sub Zero fridge. Thermador Cook Top, ref. A/C, Garrard roof.

COPPER CANYON

MLS# 15596
Custom Santa Fe home on 10 acres, big views, radiant heat and A/C, [illegible] bedrooms, 2 living areas, Viking, Sub-Zero, granite, [illegible] fireplaces, beautifully landscaped w/ a paved drive [illegible] 2 horse stall, triple garage.

NEW CONSTRUCTION

MLS# 16713 $299,500
New construction in a gated community. Vaulted ceilings, hand troweled walls, See through fireplace, Solid surface countertops. 1 Level, DBL attached garage. Very nice!

ALTO

MLS# 15776
Exquisite home, completely furnished with high end furnishings throughout. 2 masters, 2 living areas, triple garage, granite counters, decorator items, 8 ft. doors, high ceilings. 3.5 acre lot, seller will upgrade to golf at closing.

MECHEM FRONTAGE

MLS# 15943 $659,000
Big 2 Story on 1.6 acres, 6 units, re-modeled in 2002 with mountain charm. Great for a B&B, Mechem frontage, over 6,000 sq.ft. Great nightly rental, carport, pet retreat, furnished, easy access.

ALTO

MLS# 16992 $559,000
LIKE NEW ONE LEVEL STUCCO HOME. Solid surface counters throughout, 2 living areas. Big views to north & soft Sierra Blanca view. Large master & master bath, jacuzzi tub, landscaped, oversized double garage. Three storage areas under 2 decks. #16992 $559,000

ALTO

MLS# 14244
Gorgeous custom built home, all 1 level, stucco, Garrard roof, Sierra Pacific windows, 1520 sq.ft. Garage w/ RV door, 2 stucco courtyards, surround sound, 8 ft. doors, landscaped, sprinkler system, A/C, 2 stone FP, forced air heat. COME FOR DETAILS!

ALTO

MLS# 16766 $624,500
[illegible] HOME with golf membership [illegible] doors, [illegible] carpet, up [illegible] door, [illegible] FP, double [illegible] tile roof, [illegible] pavers, [illegible] gazebo!

ALTO

MLS# 15602 $484,900
[illegible] Woodcreek [illegible] rooms, 2 living areas, [illegible] windows, 8 ft. pantry doors, [illegible] A/C, [illegible] walks, [illegible] Granite Top.

ALTO

MLS# 16034 $[illegible]9,000
VERY KEPT ONE LEVEL HOME with golf membership, two living areas and triple garage, 2 fireplaces, A/C, courtyard, paved drive, office, stucco with tile roof.

ALTO

MLS# [illegible] $[illegible]5,000
[illegible] GOLF MEMBERSHIP HOME on a quiet [illegible] Bath, [illegible] Living area, [illegible] tile roof, [illegible] Garage, [illegible] Sierra Blanca [illegible]

PRICE REDUCED! MOTIVATED SELLER

MLS# 17358 NOW $[illegible]19,000!
LUXURY ONE LEVEL COPPER CANYON [illegible] ONE LEVEL HOME. 4 Bedrooms, 4.5 Baths, Living area, [illegible] toward Capitan Mountains, 2 living areas, [illegible] tile roof, triple garage, [illegible] Golf Membership Dues to Alto.

SIERRA BLANCA VIEW

MLS# 16995 $[illegible]
CHARMING ONE LEVEL HOME WITH SIERRA BLANCA VIEW. Close to town with fireplace and paved drive. Large deck. 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath. Go to 6th Street then right on B Street, then left on Sperle Hill. Yellow house on the right.

ALTO

MLS# [illegible] $[illegible]

RANCHES OF SONTERRA

MLS# [illegible] $[illegible]
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SIERRA BLANCA VIEW

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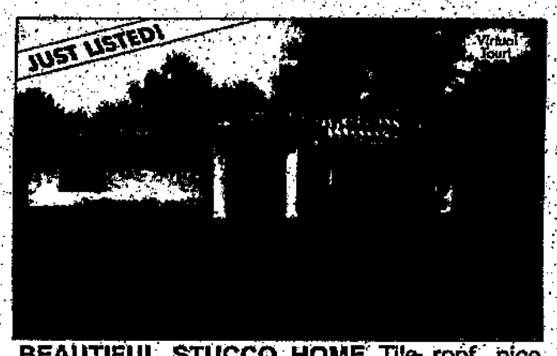
BEAUTIFUL NEW HOME Adobe style custom home. All the extras, even a theater. Full golf membership. In lovely Deer Park Woods. $799,500. #13231

FULL MEMBERSHIP ALTO HOME Tile roof, stucco, 4 Br or 3 Br + office + 2 living areas, 6 Ba. Wonderfully located on 14th Fairway, heated dr. Master w/2 Ba, formal dining, storage, hot tub. $750,000. #18009

LOCATION - LOCATION ! No glare ig windows to enjoy the ALGCC golf course & lake. Remodeled. Granite breakfast bar & counters. Tile work thru-out. Furnished, golf, aerobic septic 8/05. $720,000. #18076

CUSTOM SOUTHWESTERN HOME Single level home. 3600 Sq ft of custom features & oversized rooms. 10' Ceilings in Br & cathedral in great room. Lots of deck, 3 car garage. Full membership. $669,500. #16323

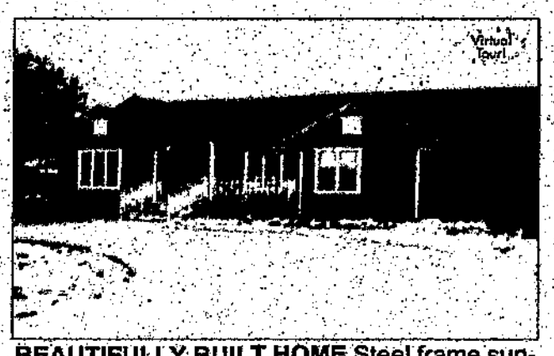
BEAUTIFUL NEW CONSTRUCTION 3 Br, 3 1/2 Ba, cherry wood cabinets, custom hand textured walls, stone FP, 2 masters, media room. Full golf membership. $525,000. #18050



BEAUTIFUL STUCCO HOME Tile roof, nice wooded view. Full golf membership. Furniture can be purchased separately. $485,000. #18159

JUST A PUTTER AWAY FROM THE GOLF COURSE Office area loft upstairs. Great decks, workshop & golf cart below. Quiet cul-de-sac location, close to clubhouse. Very well cared for home. Furn pkg $15K. $449,900. #16267

CUSTOM BUILT ALTO HOME This 1 level, full golf, Alto beauty looks across 2 fairways, 1 way & to the Capitans out to the north. Open liv,din,kit. Glorious, sunny back deck. Lots of tile. $399,000. #17978



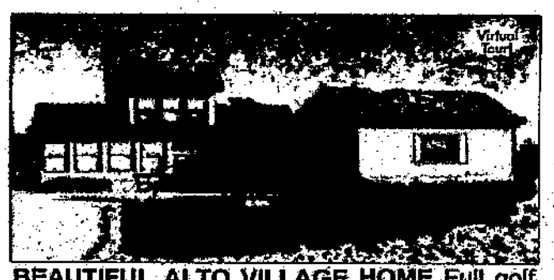
BEAUTIFULLY BUILT HOME Steel frame supports, metal soffits & fascia, Girrard roof, Sierra Blanca views, territorial style, pecan floors, granite & oak FP face, watering system, & much more. $380,000. #17022

A "REAL" CABIN IN THE WOODS 3 Car detached garage, 12" logs, wood floors, open w/loft & downstairs bonus room. 12" Thick walls, sitting on 2.25 acres, paved rd. $369,000. #17032

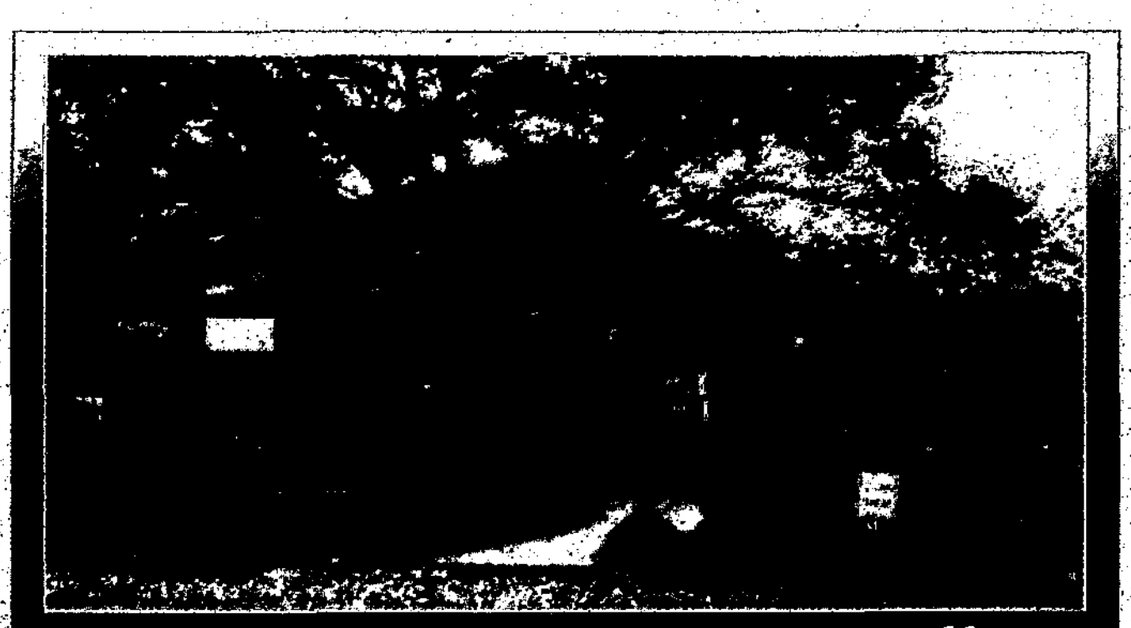
VERY NICE WELL KEPT HOME Golf membership. Decks for relaxing or entertaining family & friends. Bonus room w/wet bar & wood burning stove. Non-golf lot next door is also available. $339,000. #17726

SUPER LOCATION ON 15TH FAIRWAY Nice decks for privacy, cabin style home. 3 Br, 2 Ba, 2 living areas, 2 FP's. Close to club house w/full golf membership. $335,000. #17125

WOW! WHAT A VIEW! Full golf home, 3 Br, 2 Ba, 2 FP's, 2 living areas, 2 kitchens, decks everywhere. Hot tub 2 yrs old. Bonus room on bottom level, sleeps lots for family retreat. $289,900. #17340



BEAUTIFUL ALTO VILLAGE HOME Full golf membership. Fully furnished, 2 Br, 1 3/4 Ba, approx 1885 sq ft. Recently landscaped. View of Sierra Blanca & Capitans. $280,000. #18025



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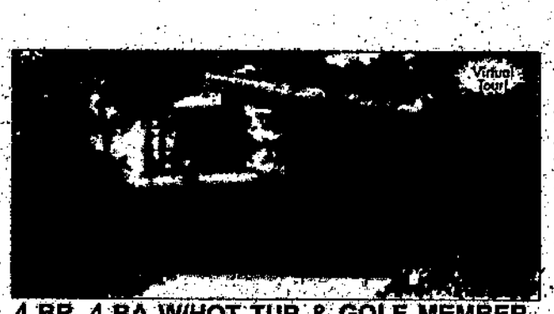

4 BR, 4 BA W/HOT TUB & GOLF MEMBERSHIP Paved dr w/carport. Metal roof & new forced air heating system. Furniture may be purchased separately. Rustic, southwest, cabin type home. $279,000. #17352

CLEAN OLDER ALTO HOME Full golf membership, quiet street, minimal traffic. 3 Br, 2 Ba, big FP, dbl car garage. Easy entry w/minimal steps, back area fairly level. $199,999. #17370

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CHRISTMAS WONDER

Affordable housing a step closer

Rezoning is key, official says

By next March, Ruidoso village officials could be reviewing plans for a new affordable housing project above Grindstone Reservoir.

Claudia Richards, deputy village manager and special projects director, said Wednesday that requesting the rezoning of 26 acres from single-family residential to residential planned unit development allows more flexibility in design, clustering of units and providing green space.

The last time village officials dealt with a developer on an affordable housing project in 2002, the numbers didn't work and rezoning wasn't requested until the design was nearly completed. Richards is optimistic this time, obstacles can be overcome and he's not waiting to rezone.

He received approval Tuesday from the Village Council to schedule a public hearing for Jan. 13.

"We have a potential developer and they're interested in this particular area, from 22 acres to 26 acres by Grindstone," he said Wednesday.

If rezoning is granted, details on the project also must be reviewed and approved by

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Catch voids vote on church curfew

By Diane Stallings

Ruidoso Village Trustees

Ryan L. Ray Nunley and Ken Hardman said the restriction

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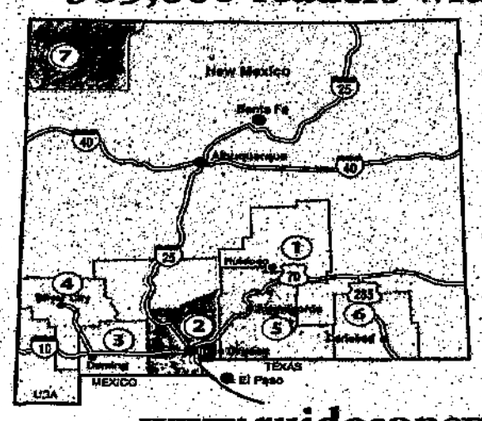

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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners has received the following road review request:

Request to vacate Sandia Court, Capitan North Subdivision, Block 4, Capitan, New Mexico petitioner is Ruidoso Land Surveying for Grady Hobbs.

Request to vacate Sola Drive, Valley East Subdivision, Ruidoso, New Mexico, petitioner is Ruidoso Land Surveying for Joann Hall. Road was already closed.

Pursuant to Section 67-6-9, N.M.S.A., the Board of Commissioners has appointed a Road Review Committee which will meet at 9:00 A.M. on Wednesday, November 15, 2006. The Road Review Committee will meet at the Lincoln County Road Department, in Capitan and then proceed to the road review sites.

The report of the Road Review Committee will be presented to the Board of Commissioners during their regular meeting on November 21, 2006.

Anyone wishing to make comments or recommendations may do so at either of the two above mentioned meetings.

RICK SIMPSON, CHAIRMAN
LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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CALL FOR BIDS

The Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority will open Sealed Bids at 2:00 pm on November14, 2006 at the Authority's Office, 222 2nd Street, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico 88346; on the following:

Construction of Chaparral Convenient Site Located in Chaparral, NM. Bid Forms and Specifications may be obtained from the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority's Office, 222 2nd Street, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico 88346. Mailed Bids should be addressed to the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority, P.O. Box 2405, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico 88346; with the envelope clearly marked: Chaparral Convenient Site Construction on the lower left hand corner of the submitted envelope. It shall be the responsibility of the bidder to see that their Bid is delivered to the Authority's Office by the date and time set for opening. If the mailed or delivery of said Bid is delayed beyond the opening date and time, Bid thus delayed will not be considered. A public opening will be held on November 14, 2006 at 2:00 pm, any bidder or their authorized representatives are invited to attend.

The Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority reserves the right to reject any/or all Bids submitted.

LINCOLN COUNTY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY
/s/
Debra Inglo
Operational Supervisor

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-06-131

WELLS FARGO BANK, National Association on Behalf of Morgan Stanley ABS Capital 1 Inc., Trust 2005-WMC4,

Plaintiff,

vs.

THE ESTATE OF J.O. ROSS, DECEASED; THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES OR LEGATEES OF J.O. ROSS, DECEASED; SRI; and JOHN DOE and JANE DOE, (true names unknown), tenants,

Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on November 29, 2006, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., the undersigned Special Master will, at the northeast entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, New Mexico, sell all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 124 Course View Drive, Ruidoso, and is situate in Lincoln County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot 1, Block 3, of CREE MEADOWS COUNTRY CLUB SUBDIVISION, Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, New Mexico, on February 3, 1947.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above-entitled and numbered cause on October 27, 2006, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above-described property. The Plaintiff's judgment, which includes interest and costs, is $258,132.53 and the same bears interest at 5.990% per annum from November 1, 2006 to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be $1,228.50. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property subject to, the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any; environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to a one month right of redemption.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

CAUSE NO. PB-06-51 DIV. III

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOE A. BALDONADO, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned Personal Representative c/o John R. Hakanson, P.C., 307 E. 11th Street, Alamogordo, NM 88310, or filed with the District Court of Lincoln County.

DATED: October 27, 2006.

/s/
Patricia Lowden
Personal Representative of The Estate of Joe A. Baldonado, Deceased

JOHN R. HAKANSON, P.C.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV06-225

FLAGSTAR BANK, FSB,

Plaintiff,

vs.

SCOTT A. LUCERO and, if married, JANE DOE LUCERO, (True Name Unknown), his spouse; JOHN DOE and JANE DOE, (true names unknown), Tenants,

Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on December 6, 2006, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., the undersigned Special Master will, at the northeast entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, Carrizozo, New Mexico, sell all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 244 Sunny Slope Unit 5, Ruidoso, and is situate in Lincoln County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

Lot J of SUNNY SLOPE TOWNHOMES, Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, being a replat of Lot 39, Block 2, into Lots 39-A through 39-O, Sunny Slope Subdivision, as shown by the replat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk and Ex-officio Recorder of Lincoln County, January 17, 1985, in Cabinet D, Slides 331 and 332.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above-entitled and numbered cause on October 27, 2006, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above-described property. The Plaintiff's judgment, which includes interest and costs, is $63,893.55 and the same bears interest at 6.375% per annum from October 20, 2006. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be $535.68. The Plaintiff has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property subject to, the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, affixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any; environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to a one (1) month right of redemption.

Nick Vega, Special Master
P.O. Box 383
Carrizozo, NM 88301
(505) 648-2463

#7437 1T (11)10

INVITATION FOR BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that the City of Ruidoso Downs, Lincoln County, New Mexico, calls for sealed bids for the following:

CORRECTIVE REPAIRS & PARTS REPLACEMENT FOR INTERNAL FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEM

Interested bidders may secure a copy of the specifications from the Purchasing Department at the City of Ruidoso Downs City Hall, 122 Downs Drive in Ruidoso Downs, or by calling (505) 378-4422.

Sealed bids must be received by the Procurement Manager, if hand delivered, to 122 Downs Drive Ruidoso Downs, or if mailed, P.O. Box 348 Ruidoso Downs, N.M. 88346. Bids will be received until Wednesday, November 29, 2006 at 2:00 p.m., and then publicly opened at the City of Ruidoso Downs City Hall. Any bids received after closing time will be returned unopened. The fact that a bid was dispatched will not be considered.

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

By Order of the Governing Body

John Waters
City Manager
City of Ruidoso Downs

#7440 1T (11)10

VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE is hereby given that the Village of Ruidoso Governing Body will hold a Public Hearing on November 28, 2006 in conjunction with their regular scheduled meeting beginning at 4:30 p.m. The hearing will be held at the Village of Ruidoso Convention Center, 111 Sierra Blanca Drive in the Village of Ruidoso. The purpose of the public hearing is to hear the appeal on the Planning Commission's approval of a conditional use and site development on the following described property:

Lots C and E, Tract A, Ruidoso Springs Subdivision.

Planning Appeal AP06-006, Jennifer Dorgan, Appellant. Members of the public may appear at the hearing, but evidence for or against the appeal must be provided prior to the Public Hearing. Anyone having questions concerning the appeal should contact the Village of Ruidoso Planning Department between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. The address is 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico, 88345, or 258-4343.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Village of Ruidoso this 10th day of November, 2006.

(SEAL)

/S/
Irma Nava, Village Clerk

#7441 1T (11)10

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S/2 Lot 8 and All of Lots 9 and 10, Block 9, White Mountain Heights Subdivision.

Planning Appeal AP06-005, Crispin Jugullon, C/O Benchmark, Agent, Appellant. Members of the public may appear at the hearing, but evidence for or against the appeal must be provided prior to the Public Hearing. Anyone having questions concerning the appeal should contact the Village of Ruidoso Planning Department between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. The address is 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico, 88345, or 258-4343.

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(SEAL)

/S/
Irma Nava, Village Clerk

#7442 1T (11)10

NMDOT NM 532

STAKEHOLDER MEETING

The New Mexico Department of Transportation will hold a Stakeholder Working Group meeting for the NM 532 Corridor Study on November 16, 2006, 6:30 pm, at the Ruidoso Senior Center in Ruidoso. A copy of the agenda may be obtained by calling Eric Johnson at (505) 898-8848.

#7443 1T (11)10

CITY OF RUIDOSO DOWNS

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ADOPT

ORDINANCE NO. 2006-08

Notice is hereby given that the Governing Body of the City of Ruidoso Downs shall conduct a Public Hearing in conjunction with the regular meeting scheduled for Monday, November 27, 2006 to commence at 5:30 pm., City Hall Hubbard Room, 122 Downs Drive, Ruidoso Downs for adopting the following Ordinances.

ORDINANCE NO. 2006-08

AMENDING CHAPTER 6 TITLED "MORALS, CONDUCT AND CRIMINAL CODE ON GENERAL OFFENSES"ARTICLE 6 TITLED "GENERAL NUISANCES" SECTIONS 1 THROUGH 9 AND ENACTING NEW SECTION 10 AND 11 OF THE CITY OF RUIDOSO DOWNS CODE OF ORDINANCES

WHEREAS, this ordinance is intended to promote the general health, safety and welfare of the people of Ruidoso Downs; and

NOW THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Governing Body of the City of Ruidoso Downs, County of Lincoln, State of New Mexico, that:

Chapter 6 Article 6 of the City of Ruidoso Downs Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to include the following provisions as the new Article 6 Sections 1 through 11 of Chapter 6.

ARTICLE 6

GENERAL NUISANCES

6-6-1 Public Nuisances
6-6-2 Nuisances Declared
6-6-3 Outdoor Automobile Storage
6-6-4 Abandoned Wrecks, Non-operating, Dismantled or Discarded Vehicles
6-6-5 Dangerous Nuisances
6-6-6 Notice of Nuisance
6-6-7 Complaint
6-6-8 Penalty
6-6-9 Removal of Nuisance
6-6-10 Injunctions
6-6-11 Effective Date

Copies of Ordinance No. 2006-08 on file in the office of the City Clerk and are available for public review Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 am. and 5:00 pm.

Carol Virden, MMC
City Clerk/Treasurer

EMPLOYMENT

200

Gen. Help Wanted 224

1st Christian Church Child Development Centers is the place to be. If you do not want to miss out come by and apply at 1211 Hull Rd. Now recruiting full/ part, and substitute caregivers. Call Jamie at 258-1490

ASSISTANT MANAGER
Ladies Clothing Store

Responsibilities include: Merchandising and Display, working closely with office and Management personal, plus strong customer service ability. Basic internet and computer skills required. Experience in retail a plus, but will consider training someone with desire and good work history. Some weekends and holidays. Hours and days negotiable. Send resume in confidence to: P.O. Box 4393, Ruidoso, NM 88355

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Dependable Housekeeper For Small Family Owned Motel. Part-Time Every Other Weekend & Tues. Great Friendly Environment Apply in Person @ 627 Sudderth Drive. 257-4140

Family Pride Foundation is interviewing for a FAMILY THERAPIST To work in the otero & lincoln county area for information call Mr. Lopez at 525-9221 ext. 22 or 636-3772

FARM-Outdoor/Indoor work. Housekeeping Chores & repairs. Will train. Prepare 2 meals a day. This is 5 days per week, 5 hours per day in return for room and meals on beautiful 42 acre farm and wildlife preserve in Beni, New Mexico. 20 minutes away from Ruidoso and Alamogordo. Call 505-937-8044.

Professional Help 284

Busy Community Mental Health Center seeking:

Case Manager - to provide case management services to mental health clients in our Ruidoso Office. Bachelor's degree and 1-2 years experience in the mental health field required.

Drop off letter of interest and resumé at:

The Counseling Center,
206 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso,

and pick up and complete employment application at same address. Position Open until filled. Excellent benefits Package.
EOE

Gen. Help Wanted 224

FARM Part-time job on beautiful 42 acre farm and wildlife preserve. Indoor & outdoor chores & repairs. Housekeeping, food preparation, etc. Will train. 4-5 hours a day. Hourly wage. Could become full time. 20 minutes from Ruidoso or Alamogordo. Call 505-937-8044.

GREAT WALL OF CHINA RESTAURANT: Hiring FT & P.T Lunch WaitPerson, Hostess, Busser, & FT & P.T Dishwasher. Apply in Person @ 2913 Sudderth

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Guardiola Construction is seeking a part-time Equipment Mechanic to maintain and service heavy construction equipment. Please call (505) 257-2279.

HHA/CNAs and non-licensed caregivers come join our team! In-home caregivers are needed in Ruidoso and the surrounding areas to provide quality in-home care to our clients. Flexible hours. Applications are available at Community Homecare, 1096 Mechem Drive, Suite G-16; 1-866-258-1986.

Professional Help 284

Gen. Help Wanted 224

KFC of Ruidoso is now accepting applications for Cashiers & Cooks. Full & Part-time positions available. Please apply in person @331 Sudderth Dr.

Sales/Agents 222

Earn up to $10,000

monthly, with benefits! Do you enjoy working with people? We offer full-time employment with unlimited earning potential, with available 401-k retirement, health insurance and paid vacation. We are one of the southwest's largest retailers, and we are looking for top sales professionals. Call Mike at 505-642-6592.

Equal opportunity employer.

Professional Help 284

Gen. Help Wanted 224

SCHLOTZSKY'S DELI
TCBY

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Gen. Help Wanted 224

Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority
is accepting applications for Temporary Part-Time Laborer/Gate Attendant in Otero County. Valid New Mexico Driver's License required. Positions will be filled as needed. You may pick up applications and job descriptions at 222 Second Street, Ruidoso Downs, NM or call (505) 378-4697, or 33 Gravel Pit Rd, La Luz, NM or call (505) 434-1538. Applications deadline will be Monday, November 13, 2006, at 2:00 p.m.

Professional Help 284

LAS CRUCES SUN-NEWS

CIRCULATION MANAGER

The Las Cruces Sun News seeks a Circulation Manager to design, implement and manage a multifaceted circulation operation that reflects the readership goals of this organization, with circulation growth as the main focus. This position oversees the service and operations of the department to ensure each area is on task and is responsible for meeting annual budgeted volumes and expenses for local and regional properties.

Prefer four years of circulation experience. Bachelor's degree a plus. The Management skills of this employee are constantly challenged in an ever-changing circulation department. Must have the ability to analyze information and data in order to translate it into successful programs to increase readership, which is critical to the the growth of our business. Nurturing the group dynamics in order to build a solid team will take successful communication and inter-personal skills. Fluent in Spanish is a plus. Must knowledgeable in Microsoft Office Suite.

We are an equal opportunity employer. We recognize and appreciate the benefits of diversity in the workplace. Those who share this belief or reflect a diverse background are encouraged to apply. In addition to a competitive salary, we offer excellent benefits including medical, dental, vision, vision, spending account, 401 K and an opportunity for outstanding growth potential. Our concern is for the health and safety of our employees, therefore, we offer a smoke-free work environment and conduct pre-employment drug testing.

Contact
Human Resources
256 W. Las Cruces Ave.
Las Cruces, NM 88005
Fax: 505-541-5497
jluna@lcsun-news.com

Professional Help 284

[redacted] pre-employment drug testing.
Contact:
HUMAN RESOURCES
256 W. Las Cruces Avenue
Las Cruces, NM 88005
Fax: 505-541-5497
jluna@lcsun-news.com

LAS CRUCES SUN-NEWS

Gen. Help Wanted 224

KOKOPELLI CLUB: Now hiring position, full-time Floor Supervisor. Apply in Person @ Kokopelli Club. Between the hours of 9-4 Mon-Fri.

Needed! Part-time Assistant Housekeeper, part-time or full-time house keepers, with reliable weekends off. Apply in person at Swiss Chalet Inn, 1451 Mechem. No phone calls, please.

Gen. Help Wanted 224

NAIL TECH or HAIR DRESSER Booth Rental at Hello Gorgeous Contact Sharon Hickson at 630-5665

Gen. Help Wanted 224

RUIDOSO READY LABOR
Daily Work Daily Pay
Construction, framers, general labor, food service, housekeepers, clerical clerk. All Skill Levels!
Apply Today!
257-7876
108 Service Rd.

Gen. Help Wanted 224

WAL★MART Always
Bored? Need extra money for the holidays? Your Ruidoso Downs Wal-Mart is hiring all positions. Apply Today!

Gen. Help Wanted 224

Humane Society of Lincoln County is seeking energetic animal loving person to join our team as a part time Animal Caretaker; 20-30 hours per week starting at $7.00 an hour. May turn into a full time position in future. The ideal candidate will be: reliable, caring, a team player, able to handle a fast-paced environment, detail-oriented, good with people as well as animals, and have a professional manner and appearance. Animal, medical or retail experience would be assets. Call Catherine Stone at 257-9841 for an interview or send your resume to PO Box 2832, Ruidoso, NM 88355. HSLC is a "Drugfree" Workplace. EEOE

Gen. Help Wanted 224

RUIDOSO DOWNS RACE TRACK
COUNT TEAM MEMBER
Immediate opening for a Count Team Member. Must have a minumum of a high school education. Computer skills in Excel and Windows required and 10-key operation by sight preferred. Must be able to obtain a New Mexico Racing License and a New Mexico Gaming License. Salary depends on experience. Applications available at the receptionist desk located on the 2nd floor of the Executive Offices at Ruidoso Downs Race Track & Casino. Resumes welcome. EEO.

Gen. Help Wanted 224

Propane delivery driver. Capitan. CDL w/Hazmat. LP3 propane license. Starting salary $12 hr. D.O.E. 354-1108 ADVANCED ENERGY

VACANCY NOTICE
Capitan Municipal Schools Employment Vacancy:
High School Principal / Athletic Director
Current New Mexico Administrative License
Administrative Experience Preferred
Excellent interpersonal skills
Application Deadline: Until Filled or no later than December 1, 2006
For detailed information and application please call 505-354-8500 or download from web page at www.capitan.k12.nm.us

Gen. Help Wanted 224

RUIDOSO MUNICIPAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
NOTICE OF VACANCY
Position: Activities Director/ Assistant Principal Ruidoso High School
Qualifications: Public Education Department Administrative License or eligibility
Prefer minimum of 3 years of related experience.
Must demonstrate a willingness to work in a cooperative working environment
Strong reading, written, verbal and interpersonal skills.
Responsibilities: Overseeing all Athletic and Activity Programs
Supervision of all coaches and sponsors.
Representative to NMAA.
Assistant Principal duties as assigned.
Contract Period: Remainder of 2006-2007 School Year.
Start Date: As soon as possible
Salary: Per Ruidoso Municipal School District Salary Schedule.
Application Process: For application and information contact: Dr. Paul A Wirth, Superintendent, Ruidoso Municipal School, 200 Horton Circle, Ruidoso, NM 88345, (505) 257-4051 or Shirley Crawford, Principal, Ruidoso High School (505) 258-4910
Application Deadline: Until Filled
Selection Process: Selected applicants will be interviewed following intial screening of application materials submitted.
Ruidoso Municipal School District is an Equal Opportunity Employer and does not discriminate on the basis of race, national origin, religion, sex, marital status or disability in compliance with federal and state laws.

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AUTO TECHNICIAN NEEDED
GM and/or Chrysler experience required. Own tools, very busy facility. Good opportunity, top pay, benefits, paid vacations. Serious inquiries only. Mail resume to 300 Hwy 70, Ruidoso, NM 88345 or call Shawn @ 505-257-4081
Sierra Blanca Motors

Gen. Help Wanted 224

NOW HIRING
Part-time Receptionist/ Bookkeeper 10+ hours/ week, mostly afternoons
Cree Meadows Country Club
301 Country Club Dr.
Apply in person.

Gen. Help Wanted 224

All positions available, full & part-time. Please apply in person at Michelena's, 2703 Sudderth Dr. 257-5753

Gen. Help Wanted 224

RUIDOSO
HEAVY EQUIPMENT MECHANIC
Salary $11.44 hourly. Excellent benefit package included (vacation, sick, retirement & insurance). Applications accepted until position is filled. Complete job description and applications at the Village of Ruidoso, 313 Cree Meadows Dr., Ruidoso, NM 88345. Phone 258-4343 or 1-877-700-4343. Fax 258-5848. Website: www.ruidoso-nm.gov
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Gen. Help Wanted 224

RUIDOSO
CONVENTION TECHNICIAN
Salary $9.41 houdy. Excellent benefit package included (vacation, sick, retirement & insurance). Applications accepted until 4:00 pm Monday, November 13, 2006. Complete job description and applications at the Village of Ruidoso, 313 Cree Meadows Dr., Ruidoso, NM 88345. Phone 258-4343 or 1-877-700-4343. Fax 258-5848. Website: www.ruidoso-nm.gov
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Gen. Help Wanted 224

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- Landscapers
- Laborers
- Yearly Maintenance Personnel

Call 336-2321

Gen. Help Wanted 224

RUIDOSO
TRUCK DRIVER
Salary $10.62 hourly. Excellent benefit package included (vacation, sick, retirement & insurance). Applications accepted until 4:00 pm Monday, November 13, 2006. Complete job description and applications at the Village of Ruidoso, 313 Cree Meadows Dr., Ruidoso, NM 88345. Phone 258-4343 or 1-877-700-4343. Fax 258-5848. Website: www.ruidoso-nm.gov
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Employment Wanted 230

HOUSEHOLD COOK Experienced man seeks fulltime job in your home. Call William at 378-1464

FINANCIALS 240

For rent 616 Sudderth Big log style store Ideal for furniture, gifts, etc. Owner/agent 505-257-2576

Investments 246

Wholesaling Ruidoso, Cloudcroft, Alamogordo & Las Cruces Area Properties! Investors & Rehabbers NEEDED! Avoid high overhead of realtors! Call Tonya @ (505) 805-0728

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RENTALS 300

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Roommate Wanted 305

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Private room & bath. $300/mo. 630-5107 or 937-7978.

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FOR RENT Nice clean 1 bdrm Trailer. $275 & up. Water Furnished. Centrally located. 257-5388

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RETAIL OFFICE SPACE. GOOD LOCATION. 505-430-0182

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Rental Service 300

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Casey D. Widenen, Lic. #37185, Property Manager

RENTALS

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APARTMENTS:
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Rental Service 300

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Townhouses/ Condominiums 342

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EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY

Unfurn. Home - General 352

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3BD/2BA Home For Rent In Capitan Comes W/ Large Fenced Yard & Carport &775. Mo 937-1083

NEAR TOWN Carrizo Cnyn Rd Clean,secure,3 bed on creek.$525 monthly. 915-494-9203

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Darling 4 bed.4 bath Alto Cabin for long term lease. $1350 mo. 937-1936

611 MAIN UPPER CANYON Large 1 bd/1ba cabin w/deck. Fully furnished w/w/d. All appliances.$550/month plus gas and electric.$500 dep. No pets. 6 month lease required. 806-592-8091 or 806-549-5798.

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Unfurn. Home - General 352

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In Ruidoso 1 Br 1 Bath, Screen Porch, Fireplace. Convenient to Town. No Smokers. No Pets. $550 Month Security Deposit, References 336-1952

Ruidoso News Classifieds 257-4001

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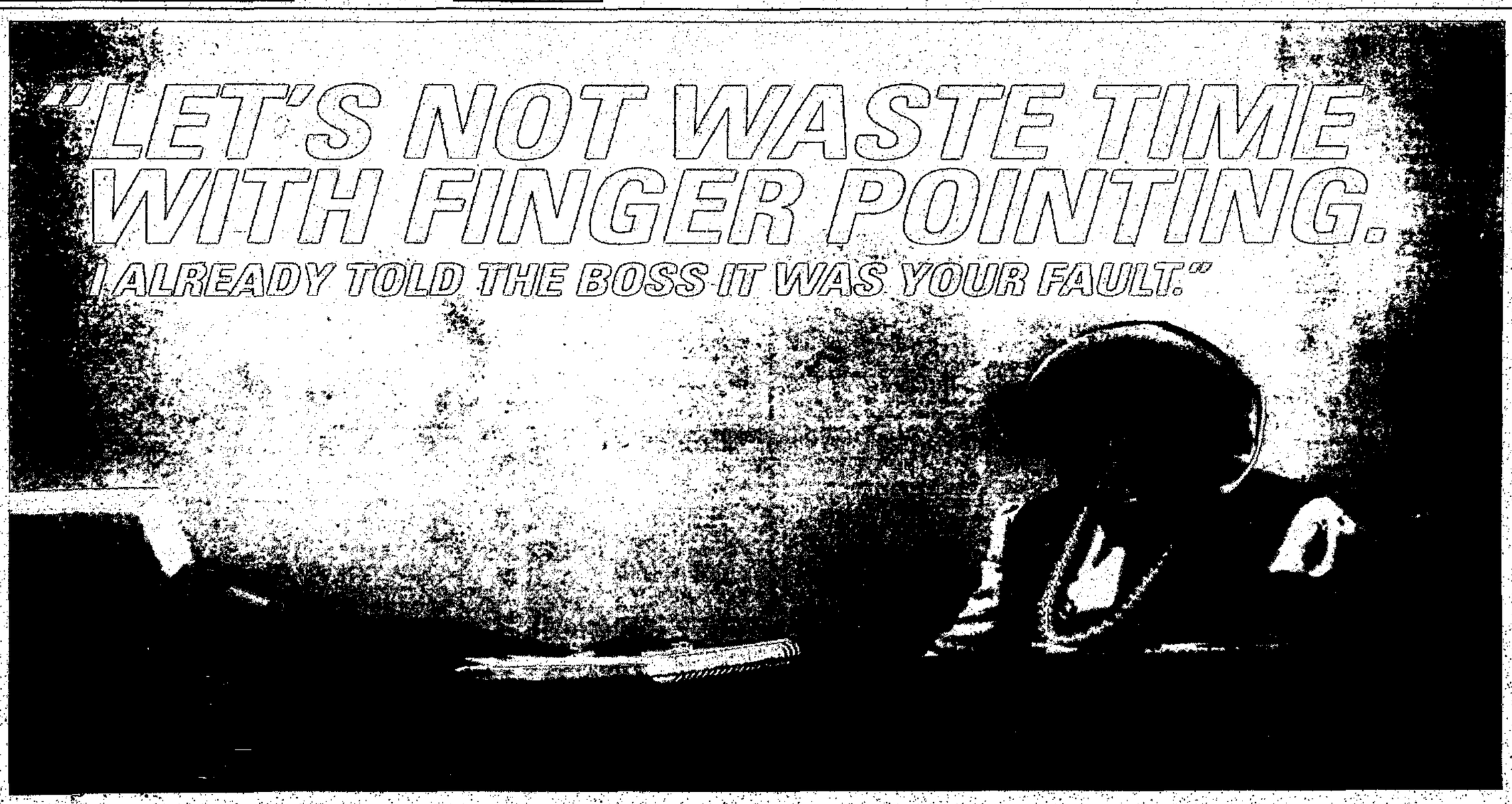
Clean 1 bdr. with refrig. stove, & carpet. Ref. required. $400/mo + 100 dep. + utilities. 378-4396 or 937-0494.

UNFURNISHED Rental Very Clean 3bd/2ba Laundry&Storage Room. Cabin Style In Ruidoso 3rd & B Street 1 Year Lease Ref Req. No Pets $800. Mo. + $800. Dep. 505-420-2855 or 505-420-2855 Between 8-6pm



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Auction 602

HOLIDAY ESTATE & CONSIGNMENT AUCTION
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH 9:30 AM
(Preview 8 AM Until Auction Starts on Auction Day)

Highlights: 1988 Ford F150 Pickup, Ford 16 Passenger Bus, New Thomasville Queen Bdrm Suite, Beautiful Formal Buried Wood Dining Room Table/6 Chairs/2 Leaves/Protection Pads & China Hutch, Crystal Glassware, Fine China, Antique Full Brass Bed with New Dreambuilt Mattress, Ethan Allen Queen Anne Chair, Wool Area Rugs, Parlor Chair, Antique Baby Crib, Antique Child's Highchair & Rocker, Expandable Top Serving Buffet, Oversized Henredon King Bdrm Suite, French Provincial Bdrm Set, Large Vintage Wood Lighted Doll House & Doll House Kits, Nolan Ryan Autographed Framed Prints, Entertainment Center, TV's, DVD Players, NEW Round Butterfly Style Dinette, SW Pine Loveseat & Chair, Lane Cedar Chest, Several Nice Sofas, Coffee & End Tables, Several Additional Bdrm Sets, 1950's Credenza, Lots of Porcelain Dolls, Unique SW Floor Lamp, Lladro Figurines, 12 Erte Collector Plates, Hummel Plates, Glass Front Show Cases, Saga Fox Fur Coat, NEW Frigidaire Refrigerator, 9' X 9' Canopy, Computer Desks, HP Computer, Patio Set, Barbeque Grill, Yard & Hand Tools, Power Tools, Lawnmowers, Ladders, Wheelbarrow, Great Selection NEW Boxed Collector Toys

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Deck Sale-300 Hidalgo. Sat., Nov. 11th, 8-? Double bed-captain's style.

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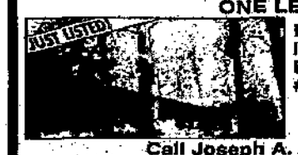
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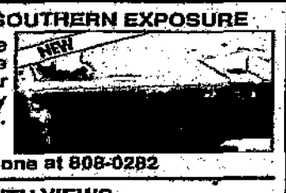
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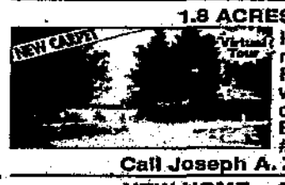
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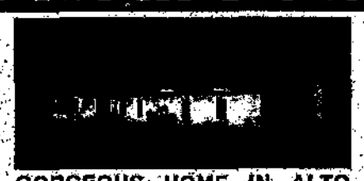

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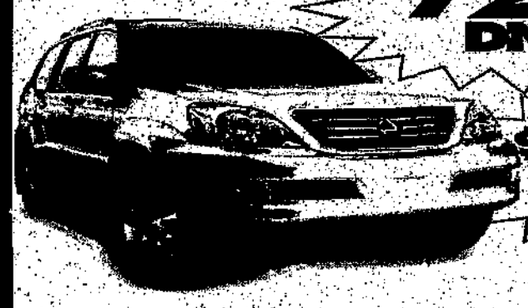

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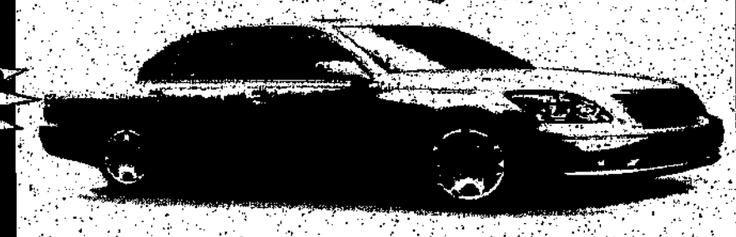

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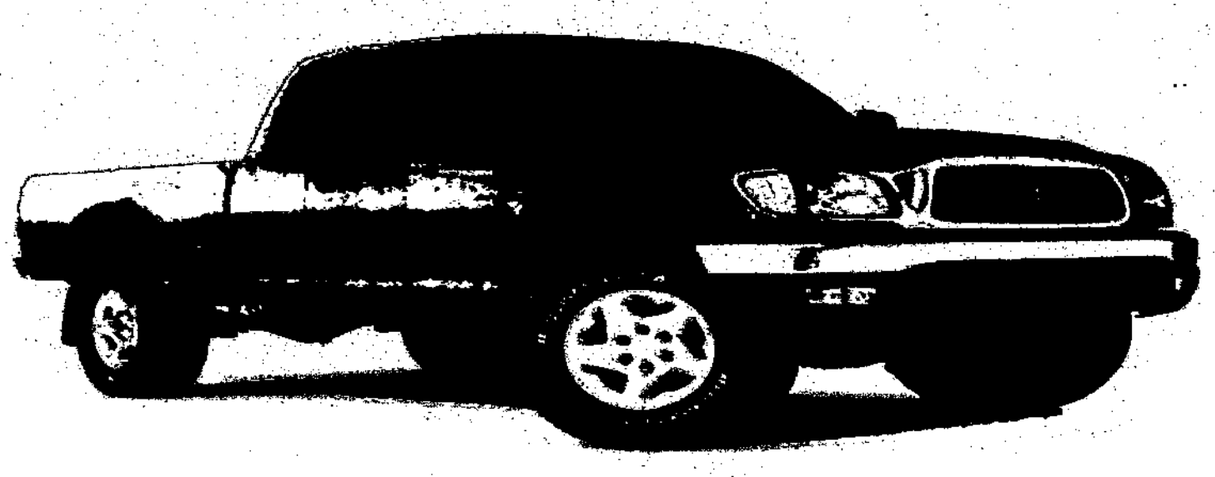

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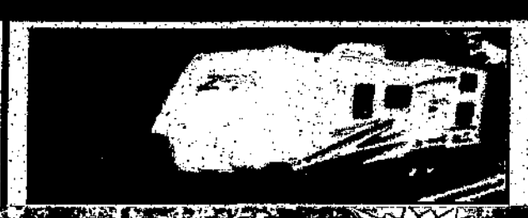
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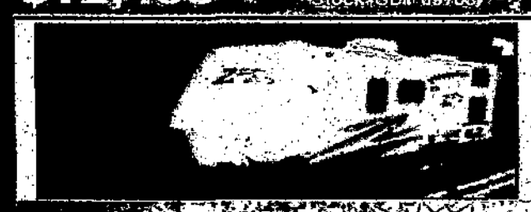
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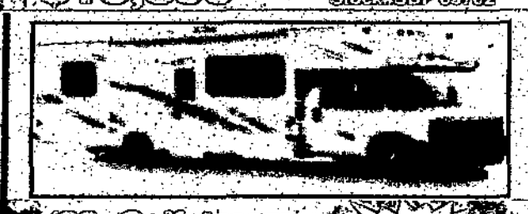
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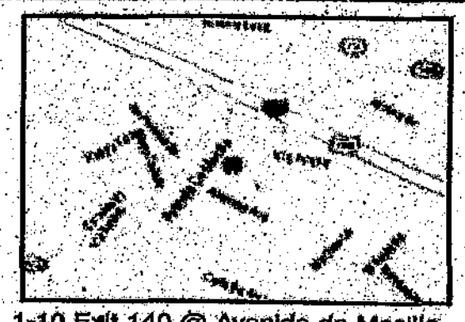

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MSRP	$20,290
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Autoplex Discount	$1,656

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MSRP	$20,330
Hyundai Rebate	$1,000
Autoplex Discount	$1,331

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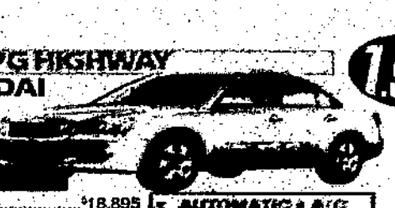

1.9%† APR

SAVE $1,896

MSRP	$18,895
Hyundai Rebate	$500
Autoplex Discount	$1,396

$16,999* OR $199** PER MO. Lease
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DEALER DISCOUNT	$2,271

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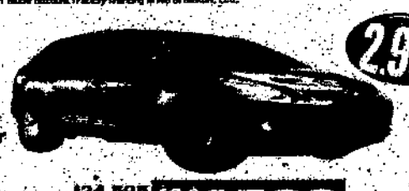
2007 mazda CX-7 FWD

Stk. #MC30787



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PRICE	

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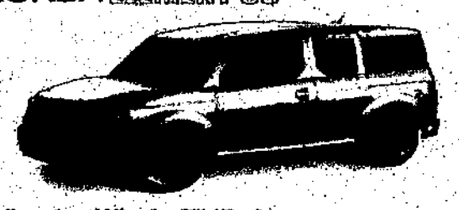

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• XM Radio • Power Equipped • Tinted Windows

MSRP	$23,290
AUTOPLEX DISC.	$2,291
PRICE	

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PRICE	

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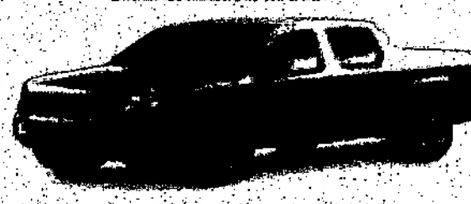

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• Power Windows & Locks • Tilt/Cruise

MSRP	$29,300
RTX DISC. PKG.	$1,000
AUTOPLEX DISC.	$4,351
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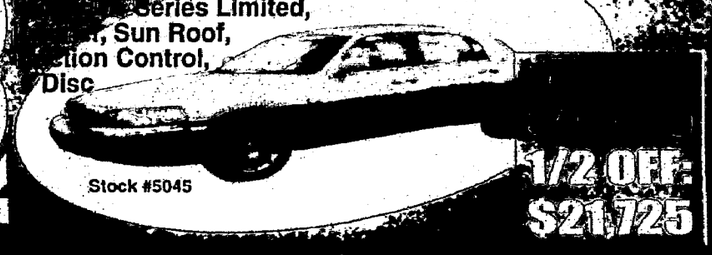

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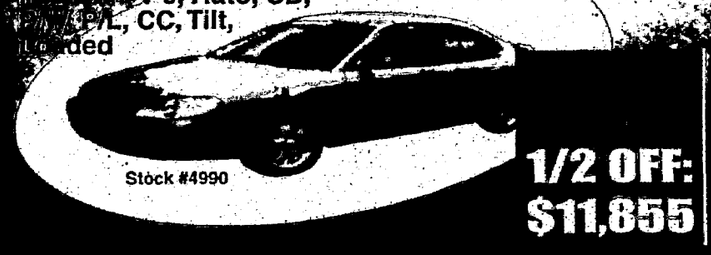

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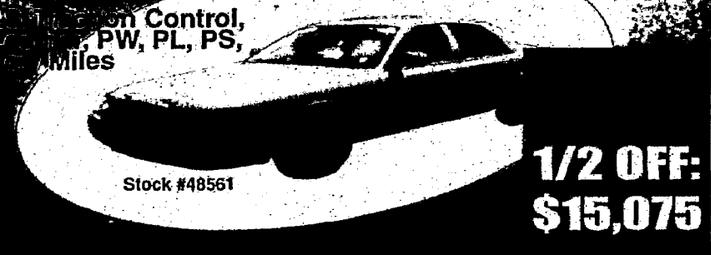

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NEXT 2 WEEKENDS

Seussical

If you see only one theatrical production this year, make it *Seussical!*

Just a reminder that area audiences have two more weekends to see NMSU-A Theatre on the Hill's production of *Seussical.*

The show begins at 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 10-11 and 17-18. The Sunday matinees on Nov. 12 and 19 start at 2 p.m.

The performances are at the Rohovec Fine Arts Center on the NMSU-A campus, 2400 North Scenic Drive in Alamogordo.

The Rohovec Fine Arts Center is handicapped accessible.

All tickets are $6, and they can be purchased in advance at The Blue Stone Jewelry (next to Applebee's) and TLC Portraits in the White Sands Mall. Tickets will also be available at the theatre box office one hour before each performance.

The cast includes actors from both Lincoln and Otero counties in this family musical. One would think it an impossible task to condense the major characters and stories of Dr. Seuss into a cohesive evening, but the composers have managed to incorporate bits and pieces of at least 14 Seuss classics, including *Horton Hears a Who, Horton Hatches the Egg, Gertrude McFuzz, The Butter Battle Book, If I Ran the Circus, McElligott's Pool, I Had Trouble in Getting to Solla Sollew* and, of course, *The Cat in the Hat!*

The main story involves Horton the Elephant's efforts to save his friend Jojo and the other inhabitants on Who, even though everyone else in the Jungle of Nool thinks Horton is the "Biggest Blame Fool" for believing in people who live on a small speck of dust.

But Horton is a determined, loyal and faithful friend who fights for what he knows to be true. In the end, *Seussical* is really about believing in yourself, keeping promises and the rewards of being an independent "thinker."

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RICHARD T. BRYANT

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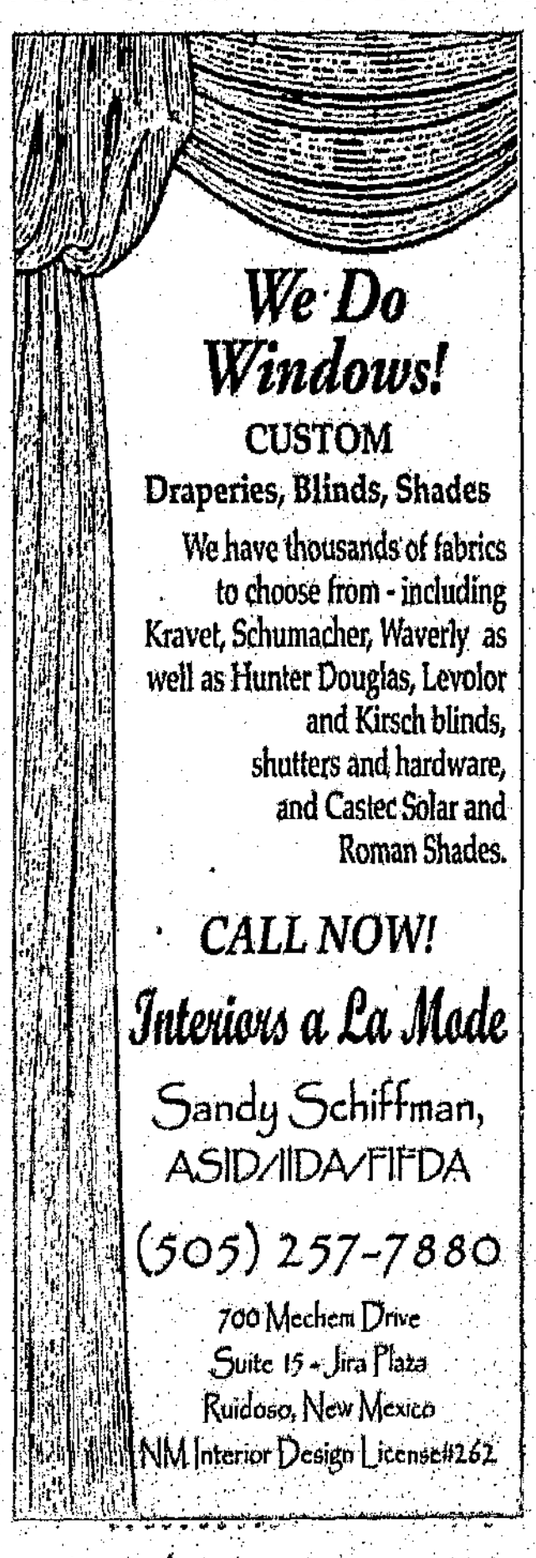
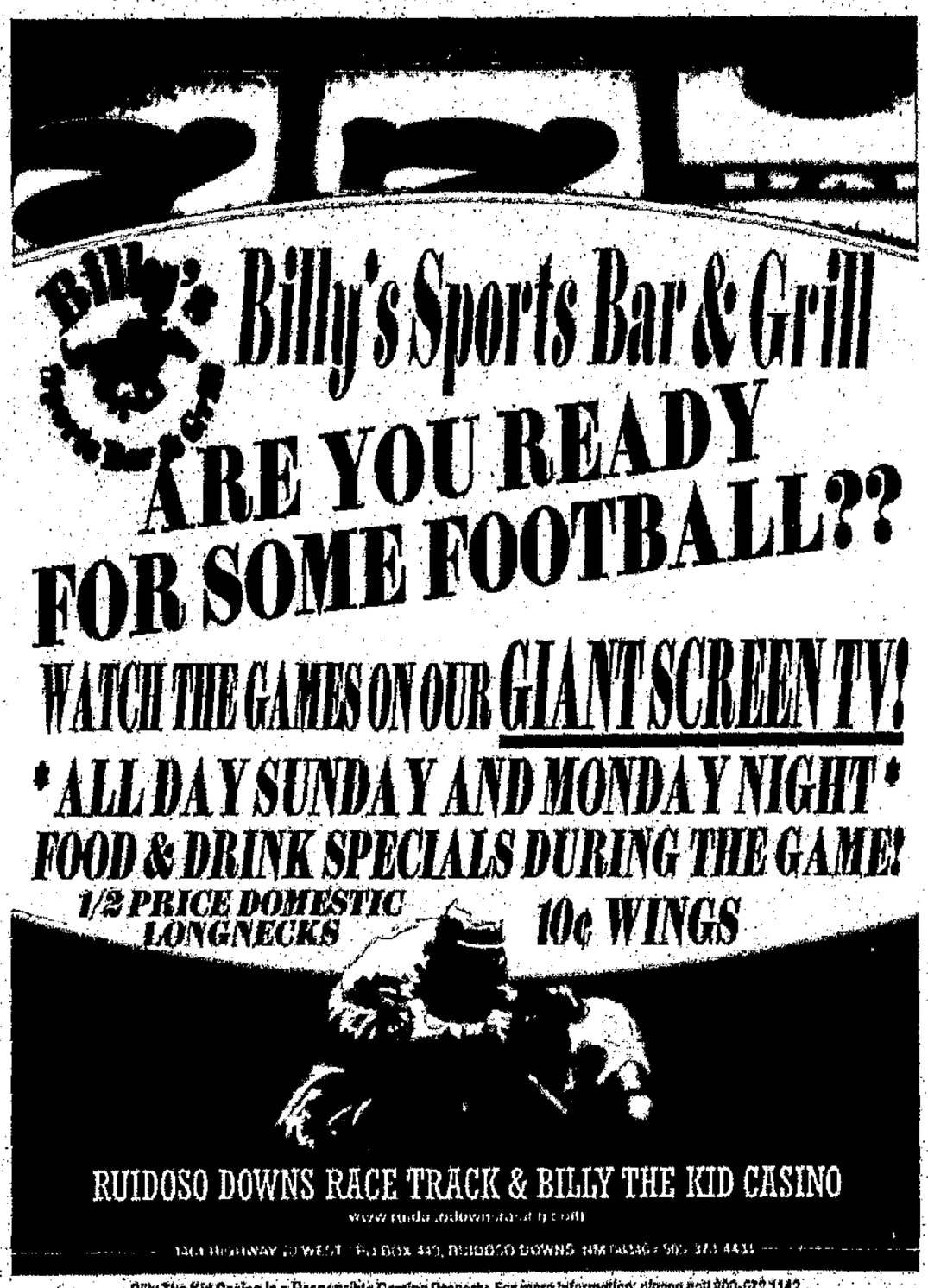




EVENT CALENDARS

Performances

Seussical

Nov. 10-12, 17-19: (Alamogordo) With a Seussian gumbo of musical styles, this theatrical extravaganza presents many favorite Dr. Seuss characters weaving a story that appeals to all ages. Featuring actors from Ruidoso and Alamogordo. Presented by NMSU-A Theatre on the Hill at the Rohovec Fine Arts Center on the NMSU-A campus, 2400 North Scenic Dr. Fridays/Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. $6. Info: 439-3670.

Intellectual Illusions

Nov. 10-11: (Ruidoso) Alamogordo's Bob Pattillo enchants and delights with a fun and upbeat show. Two weekend performances at the Strathmann Family Dinner Theater house at Mountain Annie's in Ruidoso, 2710 Sudderth Dr. Dinner at 7 p.m., show at 8 p.m. $29.95. Info: 257-7982.

Dervish

Nov. 14: (Alamogordo) Dervish, a seven-piece Irish band, plays high-energy jigs and reels with charming lyrics of life and love. 7:30 p.m. at the Flickinger Center for Performing Arts, 1110 New York Ave. Tickets: $24/$18/$10. Info: 437-2202.

Nov. 17: (Socorro) Dervish also performs at the Macey Center on the NM Tech campus, 7:30. Tickets: $14/$12/$10. Info: 835-5688.

Kerry Christensen

Nov. 16-18: (Ruidoso) Following an eight-year tenure as featured entertainer at Walt Disney's Epcot Ceenter, international folk singer, musician and master yodeler, Kerry Christensen, will perform at the Strathmann Family Dinner Theater house at Mountain Annie's in Ruidoso, 2710 Sudderth Dr. Dinner at 7 p.m., show at 8 p.m. $29.95. Info: 257-7982.

Etta May & the Country-Fried Chicks

Nov. 20: (Ruidoso) The Ruidoso Concert Association presents an evening of hilarious and clever storytelling that will take you on a journey through the New South, the Old South and the Deep South. Ruidoso Schools Performing Arts Center on Warrior Dr. 7:30 p.m. Info: 258-5702 or 336-4015.

Man of La Mancha

Nov. 20: (Alto) Winner of five Tony Awards, including Best Musical, *Man of La Mancha* is a comic tragedy that never fails to enchant and inspire. Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts. 8 p.m. $49/$46. Info: 336-4800 or www.spencertheater.com.

The Fireballs

Nov. 23-25: (Ruidoso) Enjoy The Fireballs, New Mexico's classic rock and roll sensations, doing covers of many top *Billboard* hits including "Sugar Shack,"at the Strathmann Family Dinner Theater house at Mountain Annie's in Ruidoso, 2710 Sudderth Dr. Thanksgiving buffet 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. with show at 3 p.m. Nov. 24-25, dinner at 7 p.m., show at 8 p.m. $29.95. Info: 257-7982

"Glace: Le Cirque on Ice"

Nov. 29-30: (Alto) See the Spencer stage transformed for a shimmering spectacle on ice. Features the gliding of skaters with the soaring of aerialists and gymnasts, featuring 25 award-winning artists. Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts. 8 p.m. $49/$46. Info: 336-4800 or www.spencertheater.com.

A Christmas Carol

Dec. 1-3 (Socorro) Socorro's thespians and musicians present this classic Dickens musical and heartfelt seasonal favorite. Presented by the NM Tech Performing Arts Series at the Macey Center on the NM Tech campus. 7:30 Fri.-Sat./Sun.2:30. Tickets: $12/$10/$8. Info: 835-568.

Flying J Wranglers Christmas Special

Dec. 8: (Alamogordo) Traditional Western and Christmas music by the internationally-known entertainers. Willie Estrada Memorial Civic Center, 1st and Florida. $18/children under 5, free. Info: 437-7002.

Flying J Cowboy Christmas Special

Dec. 12: (Alto) Christmas at the Spencer just isn't complete without the rich melodious vocals of the Flying J Wranglers. Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts, Hwy 220, 8pm. $28/$25. Info: 336-4800 or www.spencertheater.com.

El Paso Brass

Dec. 15-16: (Ruidoso) Be filled with the spirit of the season as these master musicians perform at the Strathmann Family Dinner Theater house at Mountain Annie's in Ruidoso, 2710 Sudderth Dr. Dinner at 7 p.m., show at 8 p.m. $29.95. Info: 257-7982

Paragon Ragtime Orchestra

Dec. 16: (Alto) Rick Benjamin's Paragon Ragtime Orchestra performs their high-energy, foot-tapping music at the Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts, Hwy 220, 8 p.m. $46/$43. Info: 336-4800 or www.spencertheater.com.

The Nutcracker

Dec. 20-21: (Alto) Ruidoso Dance Ensemble presents more than 50 area dancers in this holiday classic at the Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts, Hwy 220, 8pm. $25. Proceeds benefit the non-profit Ruidoso Dance Ensemble. Info: 336-4800 or www.spencertheater.com.

Special Events

20th Annual Christmas Jubilee

Nov. 10-12: (Ruidoso) A shopping extravaganza presented by the Ruidoso Valley Greeters featuring 80 local merchants. Shop 'til you drop and bring the kids for a visit with Santa and storytelling. Ruidoso Convention Center. Fri. Noon-6 p.m./Sat. 10 a.m.-6 p.m./Sun. 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Admission: $1, children free. Info: 257-3122 or 257-7776.

Frank Mangan book signing

Nov. 11: (Ruidoso) Books, Etc. is pleased to present local author Frank Mangan (author of *Ruidoso Country)* in a book-signing event to celebrate the release of *Mangan's War.* 1 p.m., Saturday Nov. 11. Info: 257-1594.

Coming Home for Christmas Arts Festival

Nov. 16-19: (Tularosa) The public is invited to participate in the creation of a magical display of quality handmade arts and crafts. Held in a private home, trees are decorated throughout and each room has its own theme and flavor, accompanied by Christmas music and culinary delights. Info: 434-1857.

"Heart to Heart"

Nov. 17: (Alamogordo) Copeland's Frame Shop and Gallery presents a very special evening for Big Brothers/Big Sisters. Art students donate their time and talent to create miniature heart paintings available for a donation of $25 each. All donations go to Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Otero County. Enjoy refreshments, meet the artists and support this great charity, 6-8:30 p.m. at Copeland's, corner of 9th and Texas. Also featuring jewelry by guest artist Heike Himmeroeder and donations from gallery artists Chris Turri, Michael Copeland and Kelly Quarles. Info: 442-9594.

Hondo Valley Arts & Crafts Fair

Nov. 18-19: (Hondo) Hondo School multi-purpose room. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Info: 653-4583.

Woman's Club Arts Fair

Nov. 18: (Ruidoso) Fund-raising event for community commitments. Ruidoso Federated Woman's Club, 116 S. Evergreen. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Info: 378-5354, 257-5645 or 336-8113.

Burro Serenade and Auction

Nov. 18: (Carrizozo) Gallery 408 and The Studios on Twelfth Street present "Burro Serenade," with 22 artists and teams who have created unique burros in the style of public art projects that include the Trail of Painted Ponies. Wine reception and dinner buffet, 6 p.m. at Gallery 408 on historic 12th St. Info: 648-2598.

Treasures of Sierra Blanca Art Show

Nov. 24-25: (Ruidoso) The Ruidoso Regional Council for the Arts sponsors this second annual art show, featuring Lincoln and Otero County artists. Info: RRCA, 257-7272.

Christmas in the Park Tree Lighting

Nov. 30: (Ruidoso) Celebrate the start of the season as the largest Christmas tree in the Southwest is lit. 6 p.m. at Schoolhouse Park. Info: 888-71-LIGHT or www.ruidosofol.org.

Walk Through Bethlehem

Dec. 1-3, 7-10: (Alto) Take an interactive stroll through a re-created Bethlehem, as it would have appeared at the time of Christ's birth. Visitors are welcome to talk with a cast of more than 60 actors as they walk through. Angus Church of the Nazarene, 6-8 p.m. Info: 336-8032.

The Village Faire

Dec. 2: (Ruidoso) An old-time Village open-market setting, complete with storytellers, actors, artisans, shopkeepers in period dress and strolling carolers, food, music, carriage rides and more. River Crossing at Ruidoso, 1800 Sudderth Dr., 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Free. Info: 888-71-LIGHT or www.ruidosofol.org.

Festival of Lights Events at the Spencer

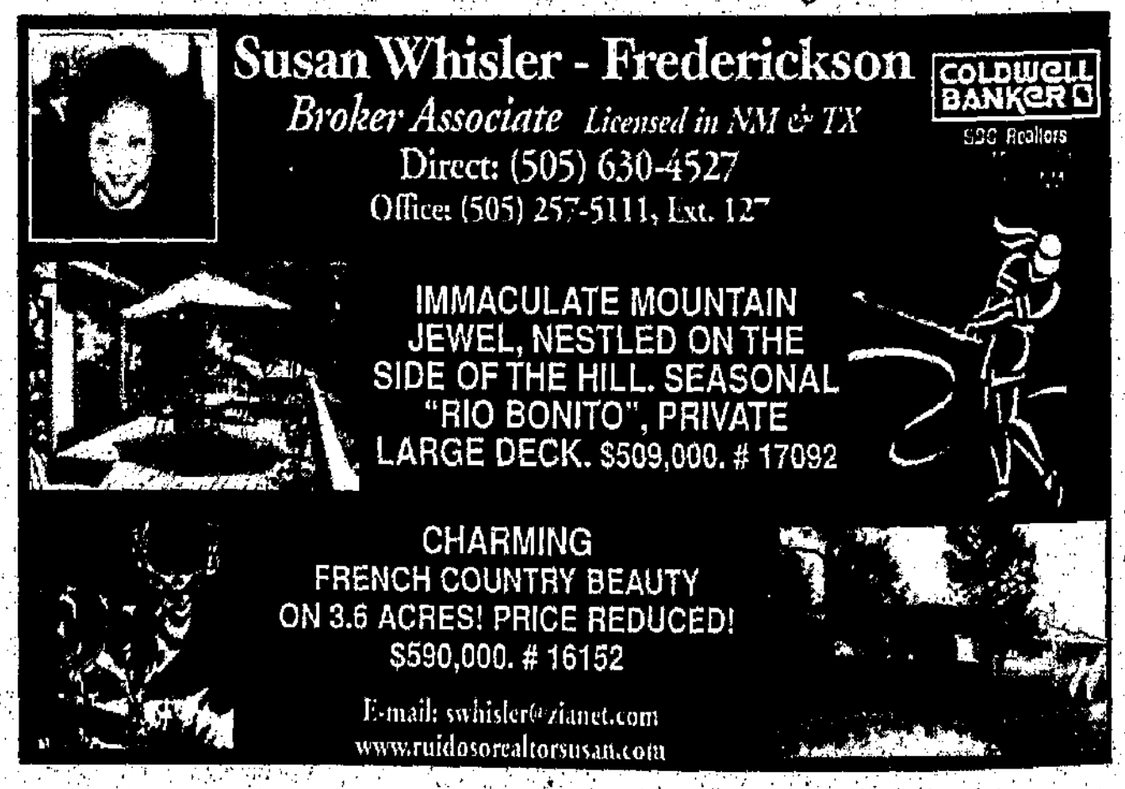
Dec. 3: (Alto) ENMU choir concert, snacks with Santa and a Community Sing-Along.Info: 888-71-LIGHT or www.ruidosofol-.org.

17th Annual Holiday Hoedown Arts & Crafts Show

Dec. 3: (Carrizozo) More than 20 arts and crafts vendors, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. with Navajo Taco lunch noon-1:30 p.m. Carrizozo Women's Club, corner of 11th and D Ave. Info: Sharon, 648-2219.

Parade of Lights

Dec. 9: (Ruidoso) The Electric Light Parade through midtown starts at 6 p.m., corner of Mechem and Sudderth to State National Bank. Info: 888-71-LIGHT or www.ruidosofol-.org.



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Annual Cowboy Santa Parade

Dec. 16: (Capitan) Capitan Public Library hosts the annual Santa Parade. 12:30 p.m. Info: 354-3035.

Second Annual Cowboy Ball

Dec. 16: (Alto) Sponsored by the Lincoln County Sheriff's Posse and Backforty Bunkhouse Productions, the Second Annual Cowboy Ball swings into the Alto Lakes Golf & Country Club with Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys. Doors open at 6 p.m. The gourmet dinner at 7 p.m. is followed by dancing from 8-11p.m. Tickets are $60 per person and may be obtained by calling 257-5410 or 808-4111.

Presentations

Quilting lecture

Nov. 10: (Alamogordo) Enchanted Quilter's Guild of Alamogordo presents national quilting instructor Sharyn Craig with lecture and trunk show, 7 p.m. Christian Church, 1300 Hawaii. Info: 443-0507 or cactuspatches@yahoo.com.

Workshops

Quilting workshop

Nov. 10: (Alamogordo) Presented by Enchanted Quilter's Guild of Alamogordo. Students will trade fabric in this workshop, then learn a very slick, efficient, organized method of cutting and piecing triangles to create a variety of different blocks. There are eight different blocks to select from, or you can design your own. Even quilters who have been previously intimidated by triangles find this workshop fun and freeing. $60. Instructor: Sharyn Craig. Community Christian Church on Thunder Road. Info: 443-0507/email: cactuspatches@yahoo.com.

Quilting workshop

Nov. 11-12: (Alamogordo) Presented by Enchanted Quilter's Guild of Alamogordo, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. This workshop is geared towards the traditional quilter who is looking for a bit more excitement in the placement of their blocks—staying traditional while creating a more unique quilt top. Lots of visual stimulation and problem-solving including solutions to blocks not all the same size, orphan blocks and more. Instructor: Sharyn Craig. Community Christian Church on Thunder Road. Info: 443-0507/email: cactuspatches@yahoo.com.

Basket making

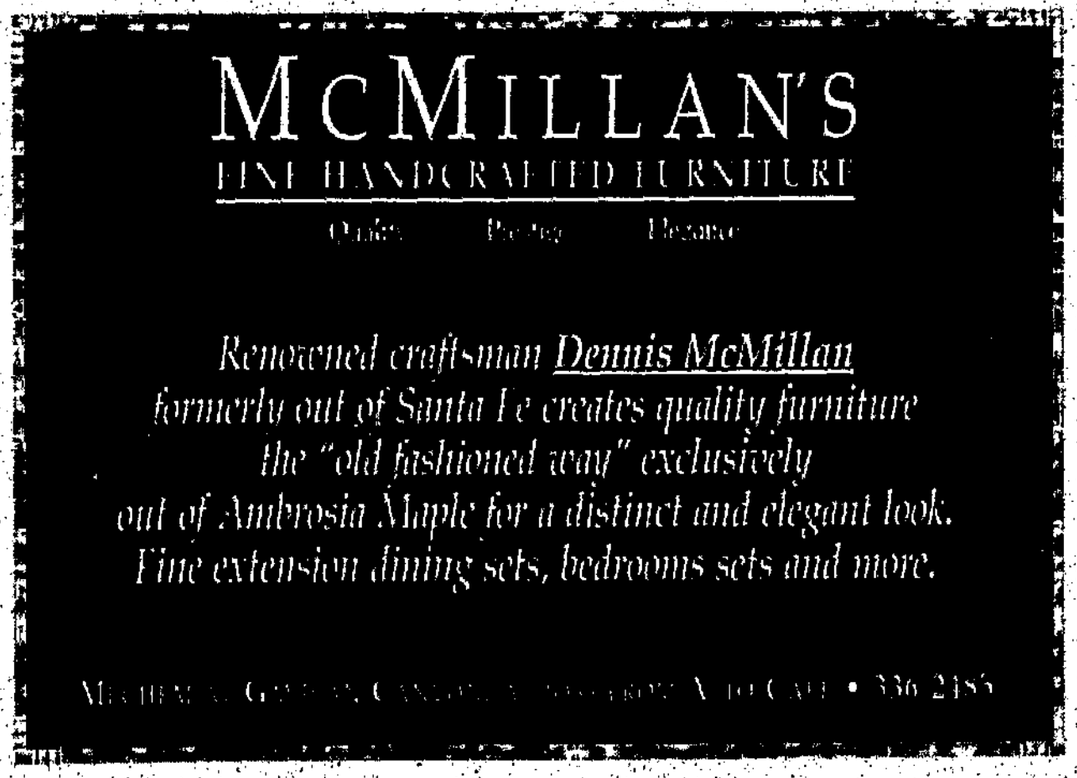
Nov. 12: (Carrizozo) Make a basket from start to finish with artist Louise Groethe, using natural materials. No experience necessary. Gallery 408 and The Studios on Twelfth Street. Cost: $35. Info: 648-2598 or email gallery408@tularosa.net.

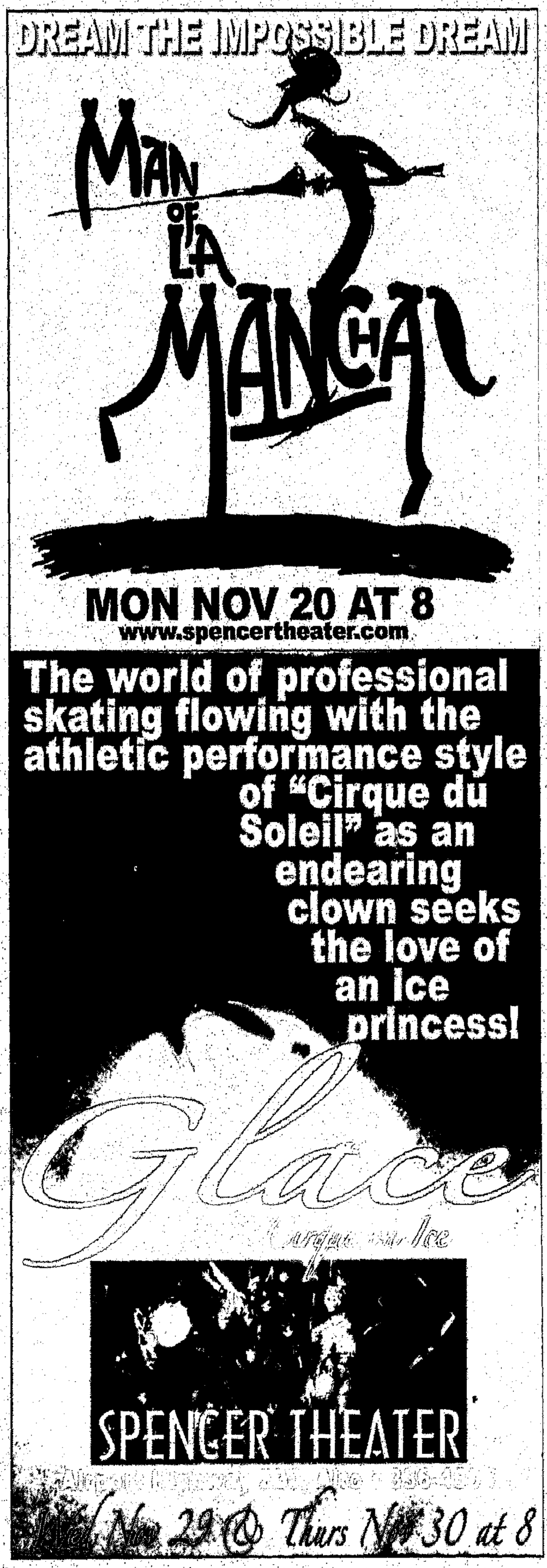
Life drawing workshop

Nov. 14: (Carrizozo) Draw and study the human figure in a classroom environment. Live model; no experience necessary. Gallery 408 and The Studios on Twelfth Street. Cost: $15. Info: 648-2598 or email gallery408@tularosa.net.

Quilting workshop

Nov. 19: (Loma Grande) Create your own small wall hanging without a pattern at the studio of instructor Karen Smith in Loma Grande off Hwy. 37 and explore your creative urges in color and design using fabric. Registration required. Sponsored by Capitan Public Library. Info: Pearl, 354-7021.





CINEMA

Special Screenings

Alamogordo

THE TOMBAUGH IMAX DOME THEATER, at the New Mexico Museum of Space History, is the smallest large-format theater in the country. The projection dome and state-of-the-art surround sound system completely absorbs the audience in the action, whether it's an underwater dive following the wake of a beaver, the swirling ferocity of a tornado or the explosive beauty of a supernova. Features are shown daily from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., with a 6 p.m. planetarium show and movie on Friday and Saturday nights. Located at the top of Highway 2001 in Alamogordo, approximately 2 miles east of the intersection of White Sands Boulevard and Indian Wells Road. Call for IMAX show times and prices. Info: 877-333-6589 or 505-437-2840 or www.nmspacemuseum.org.

• *Magnificent Desolation: Walking on the Moon* takes audiences to the surface of the moon to walk alongside the extraordinary Apollo astronauts.

• *Deep Sea* takes moviegoers on a swim with some of the planet's most unique, dangerous and colorful creatures. Directed by world-renowned underwater cinematographer, Howard Hall, produced by Toni Myers and Michele Hall and narrated by Johnny Depp and Kate Winslet, with an original score by Danny Elfman.

• *Roving Mars* poses the question: Is there life on Mars? This IMAX film details the journey of "Spirit" and "Opportunity", two rovers exploring the red planet. The documentary uses images shot by the "MERs" (Mars Exploration Rovers), vehicles that fly to Mars and send back images to Earth.

Las Cruces

Fountain Theatre, 2469 Calle de Guadalupe, 1/2 block south of the plaza in Mesilla, is the historic theater, operated by the Mesilla Valley Film Society. Feature films at 7:30 p.m. daily, plus 2:30 p.m. Sunday. Admission: $6 ($5 seniors and students; $4 society members); $4 on Wednesday, $5 for Sunday matinee. Information, film schedule: 505-524-8287 or www.fountaintheatre.org

Nov. 10, 9:45 p.m. only • *Almost Midnight Series: Donnie Darko* (Director: Rickard Kelly, 2001) Admission is free to all.

Nov. 10-16 • *The Science of Sleep* (Director: Michel Gondry, France, 2006, 1 hour, 45 minutes). The difference between *Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind* and *The Science of Sleep* is the difference between a good pop song and a great punk record, a fluid Escher-like mindbender and a kaleidoscopic Jackson Pollack drip. Messy like spaghetti, the cavernously oneiric *Science of Sleep* risks everything. The film trips the light fantastic through the imagination of Stéphane (Gael Garcia Bernal), an artist from Mexico who comes to France to visit his depressed mother and falls in love with her next-door neighbor, Stéphanie (Charlotte Gainsbourg). A film about the roads and dreamways less traveled, the *Science of Sleep* gives a sweet twist to that eternal distraction of looking for love in all the wrong places and the crazed rapture of finally finding it. By day Stéphane is a frustrated artist working for a company that specializes in nudie calendars, but he's the master of his own domain in dreams. Not only does his life bleed into his dreams but also the other way around, and the logic of the two-way spill is both sweet and threatening. Without apology, Stéphane sleeps to dream, dreams to love, and loves to create. For director Gondry, the science of cinema is not unlike the science of sleep, where everything and anything is possible. To submit to *Science of Sleep* becomes something strangely akin to acknowledging that our dreams make more sense than our waking life.

NEW MEXICO CONNECTION MATINEE at the Fountain Theatre presents films that have a New Mexico connection or touch on life in the West. One screening a month will be chosen from other genres such as foreign, animation, or contemporary classic. Screenings are at 1:30 p.m. Saturdays. Admission: $3; free for Fountain members. Info: 505-522-4100

Nov. 11 • *King of Hearts* (1966, 100 minutes, in French with subtitles). During the latter part of World War I, Private Charles Plumpick is chosen to go into the French town of Marville and disconnect a bomb that the German army has planted. However, Charles is chased by some Germans and finds himself holed up at the local insane asylum, where the inmates are convinced that he is the "King of Hearts." Feeling obligated to help the inmates, Charles attempts to lead them out of town, but they are afraid to leave and frolic about the streets in gay costumes. Will Charles be able to deactivate the bomb in time and save his newfound friends?

Now Showing in Ruidoso & Alamogordo

Showtimes • Ruidoso : Sierra Cinema, 257-9444 Alamogordo : Cinema 5, 437-9301
Or log on to www.allentheatresinc.com.

Christian Bale, left, plays a ninteenth-century British illusionist in "The Prestige."

The Prestige

Critic's Quip: "Take the movie's first words to heart: watch closely. You'll be well rewarded."

— David Ansen
NEWSWEEK

Rupert Angier and Alfred Bordon were once two young magician apprentices together, but have now become bitter rivals as their careers began to shape their adult lives and a terrible accident claimed the life of Rupert's wife. In the subsequent years Rupert has become wildly jealous of Alfred's superior talents, so in a last ditch attempt to steal some artistic ground he sends his assistant, Olivia, to infiltrate his rival's lair and steal the secret to a spectacular trick called "The Transported Man."

Now showing in Alamogordo, starring Christian Bale, Hugh Jackman, Scarlett Johansson, David Bowie, Michael Caine. Directed by Christopher Nolan. Rated PG-13.

Borat

Critic's Quip: "A comic put-on of awe-inspiring crudity and death-defying satire and by a long shot the funniest film of the year. It is *Jackass* with a brain and Mark Twain with full frontal male nudity"

— Ty Burr
BOSTON GLOBE

Jagshemash! Sacha Baron Cohen, the star and creator of HBO's "Da Ali G Show," brings his Kazakh journalist character Borat Sagdiyev to the big screen for the first time. Leaving his native Kazakhstan, Borat travels to America to make a documentary. As he zigzags across the nation, Borat meets real people in real situations with hysterical consequences. His backwards behavior generates strong reactions around him, exposing prejudices and hypocrisies in American culture. In some cases, Borat's interview subjects embrace his outrageous views on race and sex by agreeing with him, while others attempt to offer a patriotic lesson in Western values. Wa-wa-wee-wa!

Now showing in Alamogordo, starring Sacha Baron Cohen, Pamela Anderson. Directed by Larry Charles. Rated R.

CINEMA

The Santa Clause 3: The Escape Clause

Critic's Quip: "Fans of the first two films in the series can expect more of the same in this serviceable yet unduly bland G-rated comedy that's all too reminiscent of those by-the-numbers Sixties-era Disney films that usually starred either Fred MacMurray or Dean Jones."

– Timothy Knight
REEL.COM

Holiday magic mixes with comical chaos at the North Pole in *The Santa Clause 3*. Tim Allen reprises his role of Scott Calvin – A.K.A. Santa – as he juggles a full house of family and the mischievous Jack Frost, who is trying to take over the "big guy's" holiday.

At the risk of giving away the secret location of the North Pole, Scott invites his in-laws to share in the holiday festivities, and upcoming birth of baby Claus with expectant wife, Carol, – A.K.A. Mrs. Claus.

Now showing in Alamogordo and Ruidoso, starring Tim Allen, Elizabeth Mitchell, Judge Reinhold, Wendy Crewson, Eric Lloyd, Spencer Breslin, Liliana Mumy, Alan Arkin, Martin Short. Directed by Michael Lembeck. Rated G.

Flushed Away

Critic's Quip: "... filled to overflowing with mischievous gags for kids and adults alike, tickling the periphery of the story and crammed into every frame with playful abandon."

— Sean Axmaker
SEATTLE POST-INTELLIGENCER

In this comedy set on and beneath the streets of London, Roddy St. James is a pampered pet mouse who thinks he's got it made. But when a sewer rat named Sid – the definition of "low life" – comes spewing out of the sink and decides it's his turn to enjoy the lap of luxury, Roddy schemes to rid himself of the pest by luring him into the loo for a dip in the "whirlpool."

Roddy's plan backfires when he inadvertently winds up being the one flushed away into the bustling world down below.

Now showing in Alamogordo and Ruidoso, starring Kate Winslet, Hugh Jackman, Ian McKellen, Andy Serkis, Bill Nighy, Simon Callow. Directed by David Bowers. Rated PG.

The Marine

Critic's Quip: "If you're the kind of fan who digs movies like *Road House* and waxes nostalgic for the heyday of Seagal and Van Damme, you owe it to yourselves to at least rent this one someday."

— Luke Y. Thompson
EI ONLINE

WWE wrestling SuperStar John Cena makes his motion picture debut in the rugged action thriller *The Marine*. Cena is John Triton, a heroic Marine who returns home after being discharged – against his will – from the war in Iraq. Stateside, he finds himself back in action, when his wife is kidnapped by a murderous gang led by the merciless Rome. With everything on the line, the Marine will stop at nothing to carry out his toughest and most important mission.

Now showing in Alamogordo, starring John Cena, Kelly Carlson, Robert Patrick, Drew Powell, Anthony Ray Parker, Abigail Blanca. Directed by John Bonito. Rated PG-13.

Saw III

Critic's Quip: "A bigger problem lies with Leigh Whannell's script, which utilizes so many flashbacks and explanatory inserts that the tension, a defining feature of the first *Saw*, is lost."

— Robert Koehler
VARIETY

Jigsaw has disappeared.

Borat asks the audience if they'd like some delicious soft-serve ice cream. No? Are you sure? He doesn't bite, honest!

With his new apprentice Amanda (Shawnee Smith), the puppet-master behind the cruel, intricate games that have terrified a community and baffled police has once again eluded capture and vanished. While city detectives scramble to locate him, Doctor Lynn Denlon (Bahar Soomekh) is unaware that she is about to become the latest pawn on his vicious chessboard.

Now showing in Alamogordo and Ruidoso, starring Tobin Bell, Angus MacFadyen, Dina Meyer, Shawnee Smith, Alan Van Sprang, Bahar Soomekh. Directed by Darren Lynn Bousman. Rated R.

Flags of our Fathers

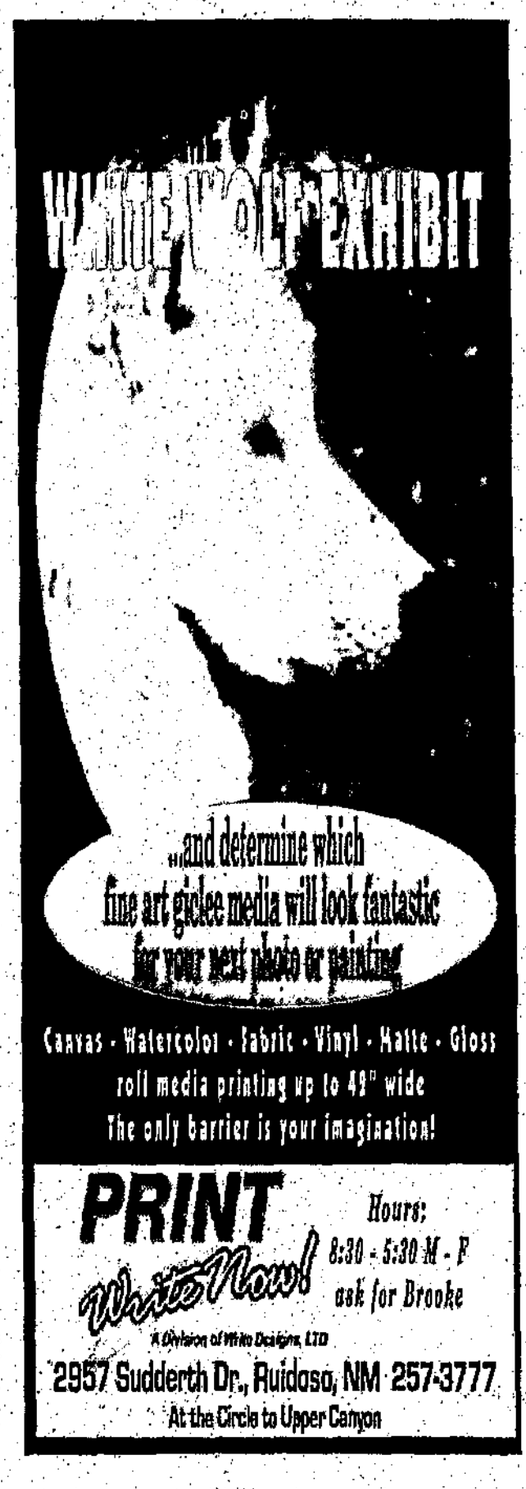
Critic's Quip: "Clearly Eastwood wants the story of what happened to these men to resonate as much for our own era as for theirs. It's a movie about the toll that heroism extracts in a wartime culture ready-made for heroes."

— Peter Rainer
CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR

It is the most memorable photograph of World War II, among the greatest pictures ever taken. The winner of the Pulitzer Prize for photography and one of the most-reproduced images in the history of photography, the picture has inspired postage stamps, posters, the covers of countless magazines and newspapers, and even the Marine Corps War Memorial in Arlington, Virginia.

"Raising the Flag on Iwo Jima," a picture taken by Associated Press photographer Joe Rosenthal on Feb. 23, 1945, depicts five Marines and one Navy Corpsman raising the U.S. flag on Mount Suribachi. The image served as a counterpoint for one of the most vicious battles of the war: the fight to take Iwo Jima, a desolate island of black sand barely eight square miles that would prove a tipping point in the Pacific campaign. Lasting more than a month, the fight was a bloody, drawn-out conflict that might have turned the American public against the war entirely, had it not been for the photo, which was taken and published five days into the battle.

Now showing in Ruidoso, starring Ryan Phillippe, Jamie Bell, Adam Beach, Robert Patrick, Jesse Bradford, Barry Pepper, Paul Walker, Christopher Curry, Joseph Cross, Kelley Daugherty. Directed by Clint Eastwood. Rated R.



LITERA

BOOK sense
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National Bestseller List

Based on sales from hundreds of independent bookstores across America for the week ending Nov. 5, 2006.

HARDCOVER FICTION

1. For One More Day
Mitch Albom, Hyperion, $21.95, 1401303277

2. Thirteen Moons
Charles Frazier, Random House, $26.95, 0375509321

3. Dear John - Debut
Nicholas Sparks, Warner, $24.99, 0446528056

4. The Lay of the Land
Richard Ford, Knopf, $26.95, 0679454683

5. The Road
Cormac McCarthy, Knopf, $24, 0307265439

HARDCOVER NONFICTION

1. The Audacity of Hope
Barack Obama, Crown, $25, 0307237699

2. You: On a Diet - Debut
Michael F. Roizen, Mehmet C. Oz, Free Press, $25, 0743292545

3. The Innocent Man
John Grisham, Doubleday, $28.95, 0385517238

4. State of Denial
Bob Woodward, S&S, $30, 0743272234

5. The Life and Times of the Thunderbolt Kid
Bill Bryson, Broadway, $25, 076791936X

PAPERBACK FICTION

1. The Memory Keeper's Daughter
Kim Edwards, Penguin, $14, 0143037145

2. Snow Flower and the Secret Fan
Lisa See, Random House, $13.95, 0812968069

3. The Inheritance of Loss
Kiran Desal, Grove, $14, 0802142818

4. The Lighthouse
P.D. James, Vintage, $13.95, 0307275736

5. Snow
Orhan Pamuk, Vintage, $14.95, 0375706860

PAPERBACK NONFICTION

1. Running With Scissors
Augusten Burroughs, Picador, $14, 0312425414

2. The Glass Castle
Jeannette Walls, Scribner, $14, 074324754X

3. 1491
Charles C. Mann, Vintage, $14.95, 1400032059

4. The Devil in the White City
Erik Larson, Vintage, $14.95, 037572560

5. Dreams From My Father
Barack Obama, Three Rivers, $14.95, 1400082773

A unique look at WWII

REVIEW BY LYN KIDDER
FOR ¡VAMONOS!

According to author Frank Mangan, "I was just plain lucky through the whole war." Many people might not think it was "lucky" to be part of the Normandy invasion, the Battle of the Bulge, the liberation of the Dachau concentration camp and the opening of Berchtesgaden, Hitler's stronghold in the Austrian Alps.

As much as luck, the El Paso native had intelligence, adaptability and a sense of humor to get him through what he describes as the biggest and bloodiest in the world's history.

With less than two weeks of basic training, Mangan was sent to the Army Air Corps Photo School in Denver. After several months' training to shoot photos from bombers, 1,499 of his fellow graduates were shipped out, leaving Mangan alone in the huge and relatively luxurious new barracks. But after a short spell of this unexpected vacation, he "got patriotic and turned myself in." The Army promptly shipped him of sub-zero Colorado to – Mangan's luck again – Orlando, Fla.

After training Mangan as a photographer, the Army of course put him to work cleaning machine guns and latrines. After a stint in the relative paradise of Florida (not counting the bedbugs that they were obliged to kill with blowtorches), Mangan and his squadron boarded a ship for England, to the dismay of the chronically-seasick Mangan.

The next three years took Mangan to England (where he actually began to do some photographic work), the D-Day invasion of Normandy and the liberation of Paris. His descriptions of the average GI's miserable daily life – mud, rain, snow and K rations – are enlivened by his irrepressible sense of humor. The historical background is succinctly drawn, but this is one man's story, the war as Frank Mangan saw it – traumatic, hectic and memorable.

In the front of the book is a short article printed in the El Paso Times describing how Mangan's mother kept her son's wartime letters bound in a folder. The newspaper noted that this would be "a good idea for other mothers to adopt. Some day, they or their sons would very much like to read those letters again."

Mangan did reread those letter in 1985. To preserve them, his wife Judy transcribed them, and Mangan noticed that some of the incidents mentioned in the highly-censored letters needed to be explained a bit more. "In some spots my memory was blurred by time, but I ransacked my brain to pull it all together."

If you go

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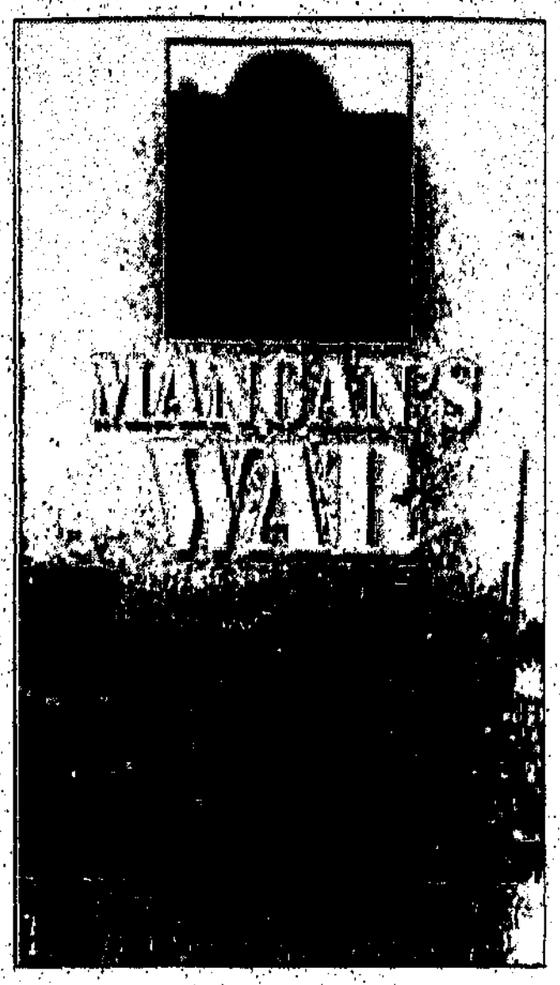

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Getting the job done, Corey's way

REVIEW BY IAN SCHWARTZ
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Former NYPD detective John Corey is back in Nelson DeMille's 14th novel, Wild Fire. If DeMille has become a bit of an alarmist, it's still worthwhile fun to follow Corey, the world's most irreverent terrorist hunter, as he runs down bad guys and dispenses definitive justice in an ambiguous world.

A member of the Federal Anti-Terrorist Task Force and a formidable thorn in the side of wrongdoers and superiors alike, Corey has been the main man in four DeMille thrillers. He has been shot at, beaten and threatened with firing more times than he can count, but he measures success only in results. He also is loyal to his friends, so when a fellow agent turns up dead on a fishy surveillance mission, Corey and his partner Kate Mayfield head to upstate New York to investigate the curiously named Custer Hill Gun Club.

Mayfield is an FBI agent who is technically Corey's boss as well as his wife—which Corey would surely flag as redundant. The two soon butt heads with Bain Madox, the ultra-rich owner and founder of the gun club. Madox is a rich Vietnam veteran who is righter than Rumsfeld. He also is either insane, brilliant or both, but that's for the individual reader to judge.

Madox's diabolic plan is worthy of a Bond villain. Luckily, Corey has no problem playing the role of 007 as he and his wife try to stay alive while thwarting Madox's not entirely unimaginable nuclear solution to the chaos in the Middle East.

Corey, first introduced in Plum Island, keeps a stiff upper lip and cracks jokes in the face of danger. He is also grandstanding, irritating, puerile and at his best just plain obnoxious. So how is he popular enough for DeMille to have brought him back for a fourth turn? Because anyone who has ever had a boss, an enemy or a wife—yes, Detective Corey, redundant again—has wanted to be Corey for at least a moment. And, oh yeah, he also gets the job done.

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BY IVANA B. DININGWELL
FOR ¡VAMONOS!

Brenda Dixon always wanted to open a coffee shop. "I grew up on a ranch outside Mountainair, so we grew up drinking coffee with the cowboys," she said. But it was her husband's trip to Alaska that inspired the first Buffalo Gal establishment–the little Ruidoso drive-thru in what will probably be known forever as the "old Wal-Mart parking lot." (It's on Highway 70, near the Y, close to K-Bob's – oh, just go over there, you'll see it.)

"My husband told me about the little drive-thru coffee places all over Alaska," she said. "There wouldn't be another building for a hundred miles, but there would be a little coffee place in the middle of the forest, with a long line of cars."

In the three years that have passed since Buffalo Gal's modest beginning, the empire has expanded. In 2004, her daughter Becca opened a Capitan branch on Smokey Bear Boulevard. And just last September, Brenda took over the old Carrizozo Joe's.

Going from multitudinous coffee offerings to serving food was "a huge jump," according to Brenda.

"We tried to keep things simple, adding new things as we got confident," she said.

The restaurant offers a selection of sandwiches, including their chicken salad on croissant, and pizza (particularly popular is the Supreme, with sausage, pepperoni, mushrooms, green peppers and black olives). Many customers opt for the daily special, always served with bread, salad and dessert. Specials include sweet & sour chicken, green chile stew served with corn bread, tomato Florentine soup and a hot roast beef sandwich.

"That last one has been really popular since the weather got colder," Brenda said. "Last time we had that, we sold out in 20 minutes."

Dessert can be as simple as one of their chocolate chip cookies or as fancy as their bread pudding with hot butter and rum sauce. (They are now holding the title of Ivana's Favorite Bread Pudding–any challengers?) All the goodies available at the Ruidoso drive-thru are baked in Carrizozo. These include scones, cookies and such muffins as cranberry oatmeal, carrot and blueberry sour cream.

"We worked on the blueberry muffin to make it moist," Brenda said. "There's nothing worse than a mouthful of dry muffin."

The restaurant enjoys a brisk trade from the nearby county offices, including the good citizens who are in town for jury duty. Being just a block from the intersection of highways 54 and 380 makes it an almost essential stop on any road trip.

And "buffalo gal"?

"I just wanted to acknowledge the women of the West who worked just as hard as the men," Brenda said. "They were tough and their lives were hard. The name 'Buffalo Gal' is my tribute to those women."

PHOTOS – BETH HOOD

Not just coffee – baked goodies like these muffins and the scones above right are created in Carrizozo and available at the Ruidoso drive-through. At top, the mouth-watering chicken salad on croissant is just one of the sandwich offerings.

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$$$	High-priced (most entrees over $15)
Y	Alcoholic beverages served
☎	Reservations required or suggested
V	Vegetarian friendly
NS	Non-smoking restaurant
DS	Has a designated smoking section

Ruidoso / Lincoln County

Bar-B-Que

Apache Summit • 287 Carrizo Canyon Rd. at Inn of the Mountain Gods Resort next to pro shop • 464-7695. **$$ DS** Y

Can't Stop Smokin' • 418 Mechem Dr. • 630-0000 • Bar-B-Que to go. Beef, Poultry & Pork. **$ NS**

Circle J Barbecue • 1825 Sudderth • 257-4105 • Sun-Thurs 11a.m.-8:30p.m. Fri-Sat, 11a.m.-9:30p.m. **$ DS**

Cafés

Alto Café • Hwy. 48 & Gavilan Canyon Rd. • 336-1980 • 6:30-3 daily. **$$**

Books & Beans Espresso Deli • 2501 Sudderth • 630-2326 • Full espresso bar, deli, soups, salads. **$$ NS V**

Buffalo Gal Coffee & Gifts • 500 W Smokey Bear Blvd., Capitan, 354-8309 • DriveThru at 203 E. Hwy. 70 at Beall's, Ruidoso, 378-1890 • Midtown Ruidoso at Four Seasons Mall, Eagle & Sudderth Dr., 630-1221 • 113 Central Ave., Carrizozo • 648-5637 •Coffee, pastries, smoothies, hot & cold drinks. Lunch served at Capitan location, sandwiches, pizza, salads; breakfast & pastries. Phone-in orders OK. **$ V NS**

Cornerstone Bakery Café • 359 Sudderth • 257-1842 • 8-11 & 11:30-2 daily • Deli, desserts, fresh breads, coffee. **$$ NS V**

Daylight Donuts • 441 Sudderth • 257-7155 • 5-noon Mon-Sat • Fresh donuts, coffee, pastries. Dine in or carry out. **$**

Flatlanders Café • 1009 Mechem • 258-2220 • 7-4, M-F • Gourmet sandwiches. **$ NS V**

Hummingbird Tearoom • 2306 Sudderth in The Plaza • 257-5100 • 11-3 Mon-Sat. • Soup & sandwiches. **$ NS V**

Rainbow Lake Lodge Café • 806 Carrizo Canyon Rd. • 630-0173 • 7-3 Th-Su • Homestyle meals. Fresh baked goods. Customized catering. **$ V NS**

River's Edge • 2404 Sudderth • 630-5394 • 10-5 Th-T, 11:30-5 Sun. • Custom-made sandwich wraps, freshly made desserts. **$ NS V**

Roy's Ice Crea.m. Parlour • 1200 Avenue E. • 648-2921 • M-F 9-6, Sa 12-6 • Old-fashioned ice cream sodas, milkshakes, malts, banana splits, & other fountain treats. **$**

Ruidoso Roastery • 113 Rio St. • 257-3676 • M-F 7-4, Sa 8-4. **$ NS**

Sacred Grounds Coffee and Tea House • 2825 Sudderth • 257-2273 • 11-2 M- Sat. • Sandwiches, quiches organic coffee, espresso bar. **$ V NS**

The Village Buttery • 2107 Sudderth • 257-9251 • Soups, sandwiches, salads; great pies and cookies; patio. **$ NS V**

Casual Dining

Big Ga.m.e Bar & Grill • 287 Carrizo Canyon Rd. inside Casino Apache at Inn of the Mountain Gods, Mescalero • 464-7880. **$$ DS** Y

Billy's Sports Bar & Grill • at Ruidoso Downs Race Track • 378-4431.

Cattle Baron • 657 Sudderth • 257-9355 • Summer Hrs: Mon-Thurs 11a.m.-10p.m., Fri-Sat 11a.m.-10:30p.m., Sun 11a.m.-9:30p.m. • Steak, seafood, salad bar, lounge. **$$ DS** Y

Coyote Cantina • 2408 Sudderth Dr. • 257-7522 • Variety of menu items, green chile cheeseburgers. **$$** Y

Four Winds Restaurant • 111 Central Ave. . Carrizozo • 648-2964 • Mon-Sat, 6a.m.-9p.m. Sunday 7a.m. to 9p.m. • American variety, Mexican, freshly baked goods, lounge. **$$ DS** Y

Cree Meadows Restaurant • 301 Country Club • 257-2733 • Mon-Sat, breakfast 7a.m.-11a.m., lunch 11a.m.-3p.m. Thurs-Sat, dinner 5p.m.-9p.m. Closed Sunday • Steak, seafood, lounge, banquet room. **$$ DS** Y

Denny's • 2219 W. Hwy. 70 • Ruidoso Downs • 378-1389 • Open 24/7. **$$ NS**

Elsie's Charbroiled Burgers • Hwy. 54 at Hwy. 380 (old Tastee Freeze) • Carrizozo • 648-4200 • Burgers, enchiladas, chicken & steak fingers, salads, soft serve ice crea.m. Patio seating. • **$ V DS**

Farley's Food Fun & Pub • 1200 Mechem • 258-5676 • Mon-Fri, 11:30a.m.-1a.m. Sat, 11a.m.-1a.m. Sun, 11a.m.-12a.m. • Burgers, pizza, pub fare, lounge, pool tables, patio. **$$ DS** Y

Gathering of Nations Buffet • 287 Carrizo Canyon Rd., at IMG • 464-7872• American, Italian, Asian and Mexican cuisine.

Hitchin' Post • 320 E. Smokey Bear Blvd., Capitan • 354-0878 • Mon - Thur, 11a.m. - 7:30p.m., Fri-Sat, 11a.m. - 9p.m. **$$** Y

Horsemen's Grill • 321 Smokey Bear Blvd. • Capitan • 354-1447.

K-Bob's Steakhouse • 157 W. Hwy. 70 • 378-4747. **$$ DS V** Y

Lincoln County Grill • 2717 Sudderth • 257-7669• Open 7 Days, 7a.m.-9p.m. **$$ DS** Y

Local Flavor Restaurant • 2087 Hwy. 70, Ruidoso Downs • 378-1747.

Log Cabin • 1074 Mechem • 258-5029.

Outpost Bar & Grill • Voted as "Best Green Chile Burger" in Lincoln County • Family Dining • Open 7 days a week • 415 Central • 648-9994. **$$ DS** Y

Picnics Deli • Deli, dine-in restaurant, take-out and delivery • 127 Rio Street • 257-2200 • Mon-Thurs, 10:30a.m.-4p.m. Fri-Sat, 10:30a.m.-5p.m.

Weber's Grill • 441 Mechem • 257-9559 • Wed-Mon, 11a.m.-9p.m. Fri-Sat, 11a.m.-10p.m. **$$ DS V** Y

Schlotzsky's Deli • 2812 Sudderth • 257-7811 • Open 10:30 a.m. Sunday through Saturday. **$$ NS V**

Smokey B's Grill • 2584 Hwy. 70 inside the Casino Apache Travel Center, Mescalero • Open 24/7 • 464-7928. **$$ DS** Y

Smokey Bear Restaurant • 310 Smokey Bear Blvd. • Capitan • 354-2557 • Open 7 Days, 6a.m.-8p.m. **$$ DS** Y

The Quarters • 2535 Sudderth • 257-9535. **$$ DS** Y

Fast Food

Burger Trolley • 647 Sudderth • 257-3868 • 11-7 daily • Voted best green chile cheeseburger in Lincoln County. Take-out only. **$** ☎

Hall of Fla.m.e Burgers • 2500 Sudderth, in Four Seasons Mall • 257-9987 • 10-5 M-F, 10-8 Sa-Sun. • Burgers, steak tacos, salads. **$ NS V**

KFC of Ruidoso • 331 Sudderth • 257-2119 • Open 7 Days • Dining room & drive-thru Sun-Thurs, 10:30a.m.-9p.m. Fri-Sat, drive-thru 10:30a.m.-10p.m. **$ NS**

McDonald's • 144 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso • 257-7547. **$ NS**

Mr. Burger • 1203 Mechem • 258-3616 • 7-8 daily, 7-5 Sun. **$ NS**

Sonic Drive-In • 102 Horton Circle • 257-4787 • 7 Days a week, 7a.m.-11p.m. **$**

Subway • 148 Sudderth • 257-7827 • 8-10 daily Breakfast served til 11a.m. **$**

Taco Bell • 654 Sudderth • 257-4246 • 10-1 M-W, 10-2 Th-Su. **$**

Fine Dining

Ellis Store Country Inn • Hwy 380 MM 98, Lincoln • 800-653-6460 • Gourmet Dinners • M-Sat • Reservations only. **$$$ NS** Y ☎

Greenhouse Café • 103 S. Lincoln Ave. • Capitan • 354-0373 • Dinner, 5p.m.-9p.m. Sunday brunch 10a.m.-2p.m. **$$/$$$ NS V** Y ☎

Le Bistro • 2800 Sudderth Dr. • Steak and seafood with French flair. Lounge downstairs. • 257-0132. **$$$ DS V** Y ☎

Sundance Steak & Seafood • 2523 Sudderth • 257-2954 • Open Mon-Thurs, 5-9p.m. Fri-Sat, 5-9:30p.m. **$$$ NS** Y ☎

Texas Club Bar & Grill • 212 Metz Dr. • Ruidoso • 258-3325. **$$$ DS** Y ☎

Tinnie Silver Dollar • 28 miles east of Ruidoso on Hwy. 70 in Tinnie • Steakhouse and saloon, lunch & dinner daily, champagne brunch Sundays 10a.m. - 3p.m. • 653-4425. **$$$ DS** Y ☎

Wendell's • 287 Carrizo Canyon Rd., at IMG • 464-7842 • Featuring steaks, seafood and hand-crafted desserts • Open daily, 6:30 a.m. - 11 p.m. **$$$ DS V** Y ☎

Mexican Food

Casa Blanca • 501 Mechem • 257-2495 • 11-10 daily • New Mexican cuisine, lounge. **$$ DS** Y ☎

Chef Lupe's • 1101 Sudderth • 257-4687 • 6-midnight Su-Th, 6-3a.m. Fr-Sa • Traditional Mexican food, A.m.erican & seafood specialties, menudo. **$$** Y **DS V**

Chileo's • 135 W. Hwy. 70 • 378-4033 • 7-9 daily. **$** Y

Disco Taco • 141 W. Hwy. 70, Ruidoso Downs • 378-4224 • 8-9 daily. • A "disco" is a steel disco used for Mexican "barbecue." Authentic Mexican food. **$**

El Camino Nuevo • 1025 Mechem • 258-4312 • 11-9 daily. **$** Y

El Paisano • 442 Smokey Bear Blvd., Capitan • 354-2206. **$$**

El Paraiso Mexican Restaurant • 721 Mechem • 257-0279 • Open 7 Days, 11a.m.-9p.m. **$$**

El Localito • 2415 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso • 257-8448.

Eva Maria Mexican Restaurant • 2087 Hwy. 70, Ruidoso Downs • 378-9184.

Jorge's Café • 2064 W. Hwy. 70, Ruidoso Downs • 378-9804.

Lucy's Mexicali Restaurant • 2931 Sudderth Dr. • 257-8754 • 11a.m.-9:30p.m. Mon-Fri, 8a.m.-9:30p.m. Sat, 8a.m.-8p.m. Sun. **$$** Y **DS**

Paradise Café • 310 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso • 257-0280.

Pena's Place • 2963 Sudderth • 257-4135 • Thurs-Tues 7a.m.-2p.m. **$$ NS**

Paul's Coffee Cup • 1108 E Ave., Carrizozo • 648-2832.

Old Road Restaurant • 692 Old Road, Mescalero • 464-4674 • Open 9a.m.-9p.m. Tues - Sun.

Olé Tacos • 319 Sudderth • 257-5040 • Readers recommend the burritos & tacos. **$$**

Rio Taco • 2117 Sudderth • 257-6222 • Mon - Sat 11a.m.-7p.m. • Real Mexican Flavor.

Terraza Campanario • 1611 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso. 257-4227. **$$**

Pizza / Italian Food

Café Rio • 2547 Sudderth Dr. • 257-7746 • 11:20 a.m. to 7:50 Daily. **$$ DS V** Y

Domino's Pizza • 1717 Sudderth • 257-8888 • Mon-Thur, 11a.m.-10p.m. Fri-Sat, 11a.m.-12a.m. Sun, 11a.m.-10p.m. **$$**

Michelena's • 2703 Sudderth • 257-5753 • Sun-Thurs 11a.m.-9p.m., Fri-Sat 11a.m.-10p.m. **$$ DS V** Y

Pasta Café Italian Restaurant • 2331 Sudderth • 257-6666 • Sun-Thurs, 11a.m.-9:30p.m. Fri-Sat 11a.m.-10:30p.m., lounge open until 1:30 a.m. **$$ DS V** Y

Pizza Hut • 725 Sudderth Dr. • 257-5161 • 1201 Mechem Dr., Ruidoso • 258-3033. **$$ DS V** Y

Santino's Italian Restaurant • 2823 Sudderth • 257-7540. **$$ DS V** Y

Chinese / Asian

Great Wall of China • 2913 Sudderth • 257-2522. **$$ DS** Y

Panda Garden • Chinese Buffet and menu. Eat in or carry out. Open daily 11a.m.-9p.m. • 624 Sudderth Dr • 257-2632.

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Alamogordo / Otero County

Bar-B-Que

Phat Phil's • 213 12th St. • Alamogordo • 430-8090.

Texas Pit Barbeque • 211 Ja.m.es Canyon • Cloudcroft • 682-1101.

Spring Mountain ChuckWagon BBQ • 1187 Hwy 82 • High Rolls • 682-4550 • Open Fri-Sun. Lunch and dinner.

Cafés

Airport Grille • 3500 Airport Rd. • Alamogordo • 439-1093 • Open Mon-Fri, 7:30a.m.-3p.m • Specialty sandwiches, and daily specials. Designated smoking outside. **$$ DS**

Amigos Bakery • 1107 10th St. • Alamogordo • 437-0592.

Brown Bag Deli • 900 Washington •Alamogordo • 437-9751 • Open Mon-Sat, 9a.m.-9p.m, Sun 10a.m.-9p.m • Deli, daily special. **$ V NS**

Café 675 • 675 Tenth St. at Lowes • Alamogordo • 437-5150.

Cloudcroft Deli • 505 Burro St • Cloudcroft 682-5588 • Open 7 days, 10a.m.-5:30p.m • Soups, sandwiches, pastries. Carry-out Only. **NS**

Dave's Café • 300 Burro St • Cloudcroft • 682-2127 • Open Mon-Thur 10a.m.-5p.m, Fri-Sat 10a.m.-8p.m • Ha.m.burgers/Coney Islands. **NS**

Front Porch Eatery Café • 94 Ja.m.es Canyon • Cloudcroft • 682-7492 • Open Mon-Thur, 8a.m.-9p.m, Fri-Sun, 8a.m.-9p.m. **NS**

High Country Lounge & Grill • 90 Pleasant Valley Dr • Timberon • 987-2580.

High Rolls General Store Deli • 845 Hwy 82 • 682-2855.

Jamocha Bean Coffee House Café • 505 Burro St • Cloudcroft • 682-2332 • Open Mon-Fri, 7a.m.-6p.m, Sat 8a.m.-6p.m, Sun 8a.m.-5p.m. Coffees, salads, & sandwiches. **NS**

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Josey's Sweets • 603 St Francis Dr • Tularosa • 585-3120 • Open Mon-Sat, 12:30-9p.m; Sun, 2-8p.m. **NS**

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Mayhill Mercantile • Mayhill • 687-3425.

Mountain Top Mercantile Deli • 105 Ja.m.es Canyon • Cloudcroft • 682-2777 Open 7 days 7a.m.-8p.m. Soups, deli, BBQ, pasta & pies. Carry-out only. **NS**

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Nut House • 32 Ivy Ln • La Luz • 437-6889.

Olive Branch Coffee & Deli • 123 N White Sands • Alamogordo • 443-8151 • Open Mon-Sat 6a.m.-6p.m, Sun 7a.m.-4p.m • Specialty coffees & teas, breakfast fare, sandwiches. **$ NS**

Plateau Espresso • 2724 N Scenic • Alamogordo • 434-4466 • Open Sun-Thur 6a.m.-10p.m, Fri-Sat 6a.m.-11p.m • Specialty coffees, sandwiches/soups. Wireless Internet. **$ NS**

Plaza Pub • 1004 N White Sands • Alamogordo • 437-1092 • Open Mon-Sat, 11a.m.-9p.m • Historic building. Green chile stew, sandwiches; salads. Bar featuring local micro brews. **$** All smoking.

Mountain View Café & The Bistro (GCRMC) • Alamogordo • 2669 Scenic Dr. • 443-7456 (Mountain View) / 443-7457 (Bistro).

Sweet Shop • 300 Burro Street • Cloudcroft • 682-2127 • Open Mon-Thur,10a.m.-5p.m, Fri-Sat, 10a.m.-8a.m. Smoothies, ice crea.m., fudge & truffles. **NS**

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Chinese / Asian

Chinese Express • 3199 N White Sands • Alamogordo • 434-8880.

Golden Palace • 700 E 1st St. • Alamogordo • 434-2136.

New China Buffet • 607 White Sands • Alamogordo • 434-9100.

Nui's Restaurant • 915 Texas • Alamogordo • 434-0650.

Taiwan Kitchen • 110 N White Sands • Alamogordo • 434-4337.

Yee's Oriental Express • 1115 S White Sands • Alamogordo • 437-7423.

Casual Dining

Al O Mar • 7400 US 54/70 • Tularosa • 585-2129.

Aspen Restaurant • 1315 Ja.m.es Canyon • Cloudcroft • 682-1031 • Open Mon-Sat, 6a.m.-9p.m; Sun 7a.m.-8p.m. **NS**

Big Daddy's Diner • 1705 Ja.m.es Canyon • Cloudcroft • 682-1224 • Open Tue-Thur, 10a.m.-8p.m; Fri-Sat, 10a.m.-9p.m; Sun 10a.m.-3p.m. **NS**

Chef Lupe's • 7401 US 54/70 • Ala.m.orosa • 585-9638.

Chili's Grill & Bar • 202 Panora.m.a • Alamogordo • 437-5903.

Compass Rose • 2203 1st St. • Alamogordo • 434-9633.

Denny's • 930 S White Sands • Alamogordo • 437-6106.

Gallo's Red Rooster Café • 306 Burro Street • Cloudcroft • 682-2448 • Open Sun-Thur, 8a.m.-6p.m; Sat-Sun, 8a.m.-7p.m. **NS**

Lazy D R Restaurant • 1202 St Francis Dr • Tularosa • 585-2532.

Legends • 817 Scenic Dr • Alamogordo • 437-3200.

Maria's Hired Hand • 905 Central • Tularosa • 585-5574.

MOBI 360 Bistro & Gallery • 1905 10th St. • Alamogordo • 443-9200.

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Your server for the evening ...

HISTORY

The tribulations of Jane Hardin

Part 2

Past Tense

by Drew Gomber
Historian

John Wesley Hardin and his wife Jane had been eluding the authorities in Texas by living in Florida from 1874-77. Unfortunately, in 1877, Jane's brother, Brown Bowen, came to visit. Brown was a loud-mouth and a bully, and like most of that type, finally ran into the wrong guy.

William Chipley was a railroad man who, when Brown threatened him with a gun, took the weapon away from him and beat him over the head with it. Bowen then informed Chipley that he would be back with J.H. Swain, who was *really* John Wesley Hardin.

Amazingly, neither Chipley, nor anyone else, took Brown's threats seriously, which, in the end, made no difference. Brown's idiotic indiscretions were delivered, courtesy of the U.S. Mail, to Texas, in the form of a letter he sent to his parents that informed them that, "my sister joins me in sending love."

Duncan and the Texas Rangers

Jack Duncan was a private detective in the employ of the Texas Rangers. He had gone undercover to work at the Bowen farm. Whenever possible, Duncan examined any incoming mail, and when he found Brown's letter, he knew he had found the Hardins. Wherever Jane was, John Wesley would not be far off.

The Texas Rangers journeyed to Florida where, with the assistance of local lawmen, they arrested Hardin and spirited the desperado back to Texas. This was in August of 1877.

While in Florida, they were informed of Brown Bowen's presence and sent some men back to arrest him, too. Brown was wanted for killing Thomas Haldeman, who had been shot while he was asleep.

And that was where Jane Hardin's nightmare began. After her brother was brought back to Texas, he began to claim that it was not he, but rather John Wesley Hardin, who had killed Haldeman.

Hardin, as might be expected, denied the charge. Apparently, Brown felt that Hardin had killed so many men that having one more chalked up to his discredit would make no difference. But it did make a difference.

Hardin had always prided himself on face-to-face confrontations, and shooting someone in his sleep would be light years out of character for him. He steadfastly refused to admit to the killing, despite the entreaties of Jane's entire family.

"Every tub must stand on its own bottom"

Shortly after her husband's arrest, Jane was interviewed in an article that stated, "she proposes to get back to Texas as soon as possible – not that she has much hope of again seeing her husband, for she says he will likely never reach his destination alive..." The one thing that John Wesley always feared was mob violence – being lynched – and it appears that this was also Jane's concern. The article went on to state that, "Mrs. Hardin... is quite good-looking, and apparently 21 or 22 years of age. She seems to be very well-educated and speaks fluently, expressing her feelings with much force."

But they were wrong about the mob violence and Hardin appeared happy to reach Texas alive. The Rangers, for their part, said that Hardin was "pleasant company." They even gave him some carefully unloaded pistols with which he entertained them, doing all sorts of acrobatics.

After he was incarcerated in the Austin jail, Hardin was bombarded by requests from the Bowen family to get Brown off the hook. This he refused to do.

Jane and the children went to live with John Wesley's recently widowed mother. Both women were struggling to survive, but it appears that they did not get along, as Jane eventually moved out. No help would be forthcoming from her own family, as she was to find out all too soon.

On May 15, 1878, Neill Bowen, Jane and Brown's father, in the company of Jane's sister Mattie, went to the jail where Hardin was awaiting trial, begging him to take responsibility for the Haldeman murder. Talking about the visit in a letter to Jane, Hardin wrote that her father was "troubled all but to death" in his attempts to get Hardin to take responsibility. Hardin told his wife that he could not, because such a statement would not be "honorable" and that "a true statement will do your brother no good, and a false one I cannot make." He added that the Bowens should "let every tub stand on its own bottom."

Historian Lewis Nordyke said that as far as Hardin was concerned, Brown had "violated every part of the code of fair play and gentlemanly behavior. In his (Hardin's) opinion, Brown had not only betrayed him, but had committed the unforgivable sin of shooting a man who had no opportunity to defend himself." On May 19, 1878, Brown Bowen went to the gallows.

Family ties

Hardin was sentenced to 25 years in Rusk prison for the murder of Charlie Webb. Ironically, it was a clear-cut case of self-defense, but Webb had been a lawman. Jane was left alone to fend for herself and the children. Because of her loyalty to her husband, she was disowned by her own family.

Hardin had been jailed for 13 years when he was brought to DeWitt County to be tried for the killing of a man named James Morgan many years previous. The charges were eventually dropped, but it gave Wes, Jane, and the children a chance for a small reunion. It was to be their final meeting.

According to one account, "Jane wore a new blue dress and dangling earrings because she knew Wes liked them, but her new clothes did not hide the tiredness of her body; she looked as if her very bones were weary. Her brown hair had turned an iron-gray, the flash had faded from her eyes, and her cheeks were hollow, although now flushed a rosy pink. She was frail and slightly stooped although she was only 36 years old."

Jane had worked hard, never stooping to prostitution, but doing whatever she could to keep her little family alive. Historian Richard Marohn said it best: "Jane had endured a grim life of tragedy, managing to exist by hard work and sacrifice, accepting her life as it came, expecting nothing more than survival at best." She sewed, she picked cotton, she cleaned other people's houses, she did whatever she had to, but never anything that she considered immoral.

In February of 1892, Wes was concerned when he received news that Jane was ill. He worried the whole year until he received the news he dreaded. On November 6, 1892, Jane Bowen Hardin had died. She was 36. Her last words were: "Good Lord guard and protect my dear children for they have no mother or father to care for them now." The cause of death has always been hazy, but it seems apparent that her family – the same family who had refused to help her for all those years – hit the nail on the head when they said that she simply "worked herself to death."

Hardin was devastated. His plans for the future had all revolved around Jane and the children. Sixteen months after her death, Hardin was pardoned, but he would never be the same. He married a young girl who resembled his beloved Jane, but of course it did not work out.

In the end, less than three years after Jane's death, Hardin was killed while standing with his back to a doorway. It was something he never did, but after Jane died, one has to wonder if he did it deliberately. The jury will probably *always* be out concerning Hardin's true character, but whatever the case, he appears to have been very lucky in that he married a woman who was true to him – literally, unto death.

SOURCES: *The Last Gunfighter*, by Richard Marohn; *Dark Angel of Texas*, by Leon Metz, *The Life of John Wesley Hardin as Written by Himself*, and *The Fastest Gun in Texas*, by Lewis Nordyke.

HISTORY

Beast of burden, best of friends

BY JULIE CARTER
FOR ¡VAMONOS!

The little girl was lost. In the southwestern New Mexico winter it was very dark and very cold. In her fearful misery, her only companions were a herd of wild burros that had wandered by and stayed near.

When searchers found the child, they found the burros with her as well as two lobos that had circled the area throughout the night.

Her story became a tale still told today, many decades later. She said the burros stayed with her and one of them would not let her go to sleep. He kept her awake so she did not freeze and protected her from the wolves.

The burro, often called donkey east of the Mississippi and burro to the west, has a cross on its back and shoulders formed from a pattern of dark hair. The age-old story is that the cross comes from the shadow of Christ's crucifixion, placing the donkey at the foot of the cross. It was once believed that hair cut from this cross and hung from a childs neck in a bag would prevent fits and convulsions.

Burro is a word derived from the Spanish word "borrico," meaning donkey, referring to a small donkey, often used as a pack animal. The Spanish brought burros to North America beginning in the late 15th century. These burros were used as pack animals,r iding and pulling carts.

First seen in the Spanish missions in 1592, the Catholic priests converting the Hopis to Catholicism used the burros to travel to and through the barren, nearly waterless hills.

Prized for their hardiness in arid country, they later became the beast of burden of choice by early prospectors in the Southwest.

The herds of wild burros that later roamed the western rangelands descended from the burros that escaped, were set free or abandoned. Until 1971 when the Wild Free-roaming Horse and Burro Act protected them, the burros were hunted and trapped for the removal of their large numbers from open range and ranches. One of the more notable and controversial projects for New Mexico was the 40 years of burro eradication from Bandelier National Park.

Old photos from the Lincoln County area often show burros in use or grazing free in and around the communities. Local historian, Johnson Stearns, said the as late as the 1930s burros were in active use around Carrizozo.

"We kept them west of town and rode them after school," he said. "One time I remember there was about 16 of us that played hooky from school and rode burros out to Spencers Canyon which is about 2 miles north of town."

"The girls would ride astraddle in their dresses and it was somewhat scandalous," he chuckled. "I seem to remember were rewarded with a prolonged siege in study hall for that event, so we just did it once."

Long past the use of the burro by prospectors in the area, the burro remained for serious use by the sheepherders.

Claude Hobbs, another Lincoln County long-timer, said the burros were great companions because after they were used to pack the sheep camps from place to place, they could be turned loose and would stay right around camp until it was time to move again. "The burros would eat anything you fed them," he said. "A piece of bread or a biscuit, it didn't matter."

"People used them to pull wagons and carts too," he recalled. "There was a family that lived up in some caves behind Coyote that used to haul wood to town to sell and they used burros to pull the wagons."

At 86, Hobbs recalls the days of trying to catch the wild burros. "They'd bring $5 a head if you caught them but were really hard to catch. Youd run a horse to death trying to catch up with them. They were smart and quick and just duck around rocks, trees, gullies, whatever and theyd just get away from you."

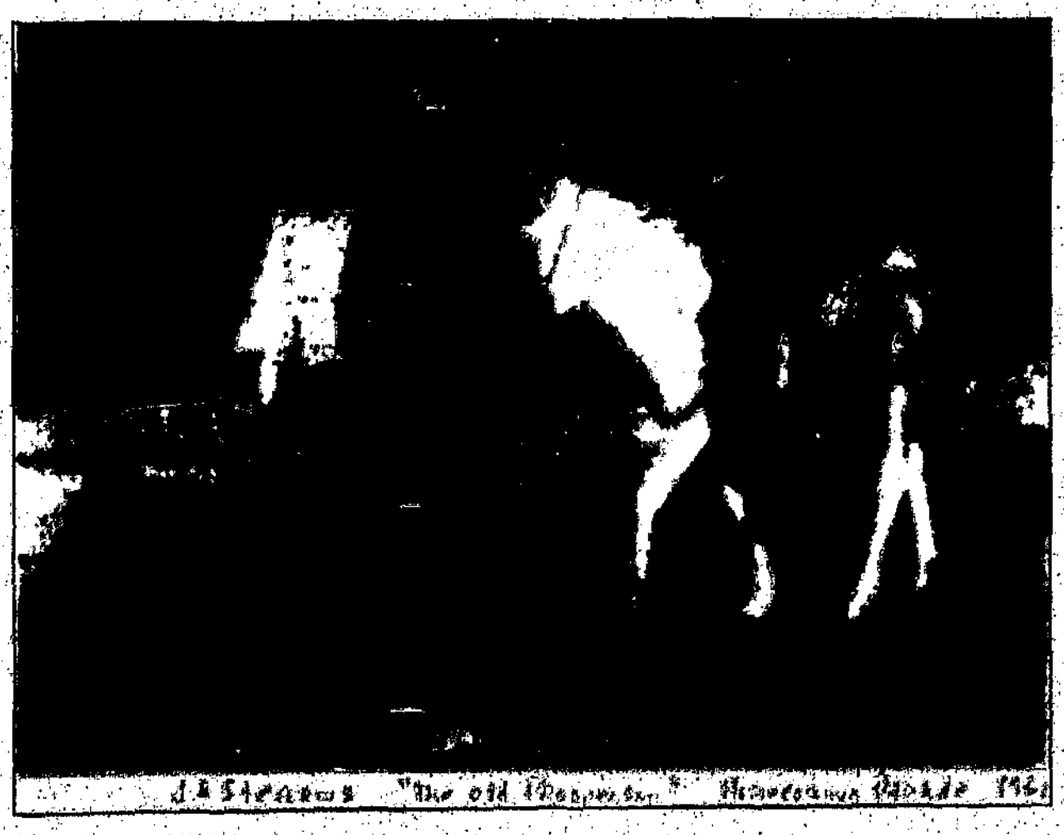
Stearns remembers helping Jim Ayers load about 40 head of burros into railroad cars after Ayers had trapped them near the Oscuro Mountains.

"I dont know how he got them to town to the stock yards, but they refused to load into the rail car. He finally had to rope a couple and pull them into the car, after which the remainder finally loaded up."

The impact and importance of the burro in the southwest remains embedded in the culture through names of streets, mountain peaks and other references to the industries they served.

When congress declared the wild burro to be protected, they did so by declaring them to be a living symbol of the historic and pioneering spirit of the West.

Grazing burros across Carrizozo's main street (facing south) are shown on an old postcard provided by Johnson Stearns.



Ruidoso Christmas in the pines

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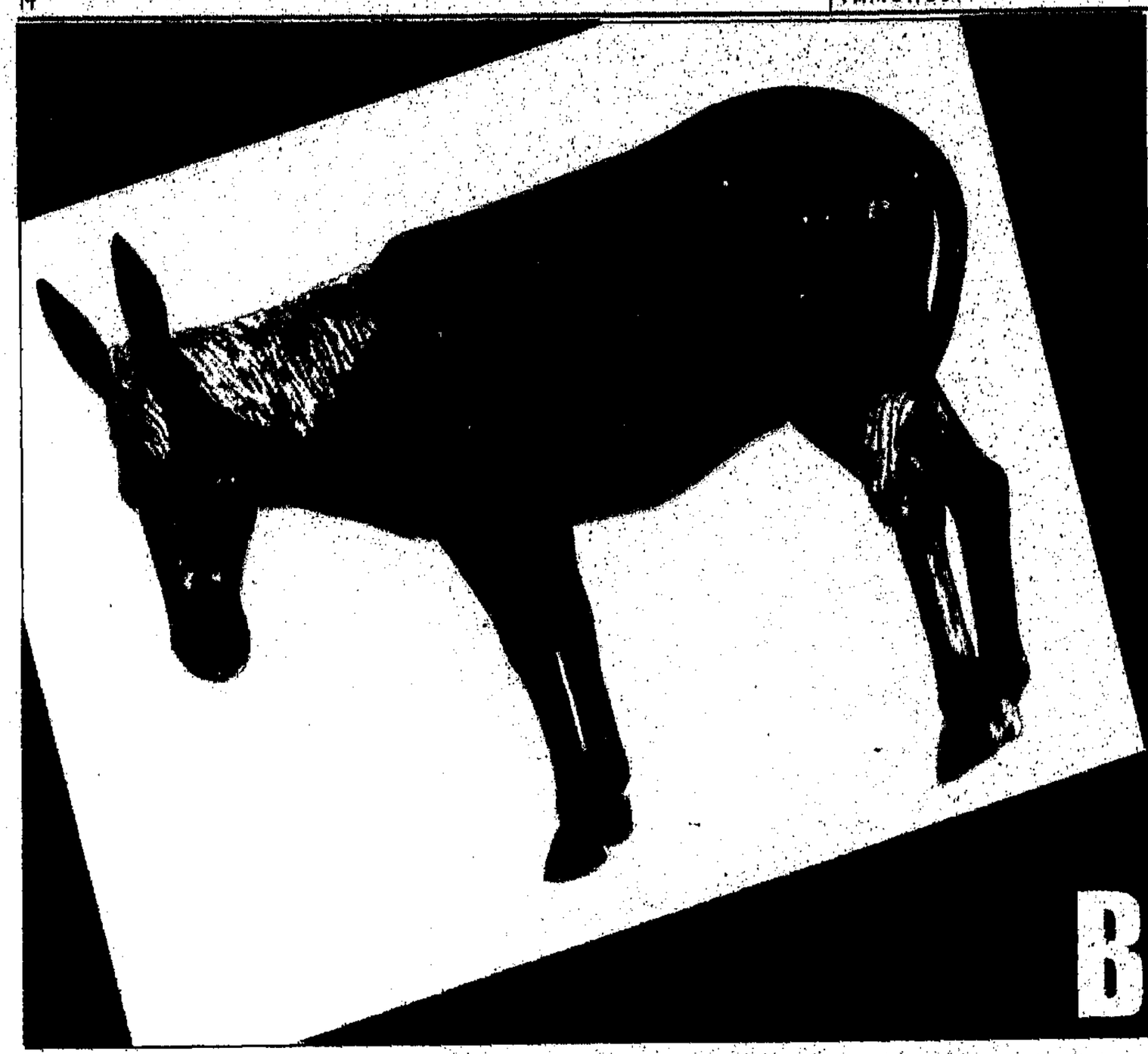

"Astrid"

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Burro into A

"Gold in My Ear" ***Artists:*** *Sheila Lynch and Fran Alteri*

When the beasts of burden leave this world, if not loved on earth, they are rewarded in the heavens. They become the watchers of the stars and planets and the secret keepers of dreams. ***"Gold in my Ear"*** *is one such burro. She is embellished with 24 karat gold and copper leaf with brass paint over black acrylic covered with four coats of auto acrylic. She took over one hundred hours to complete. The twelve Zodiac signs are illustrated along with a comet, falling stars and one moon.*

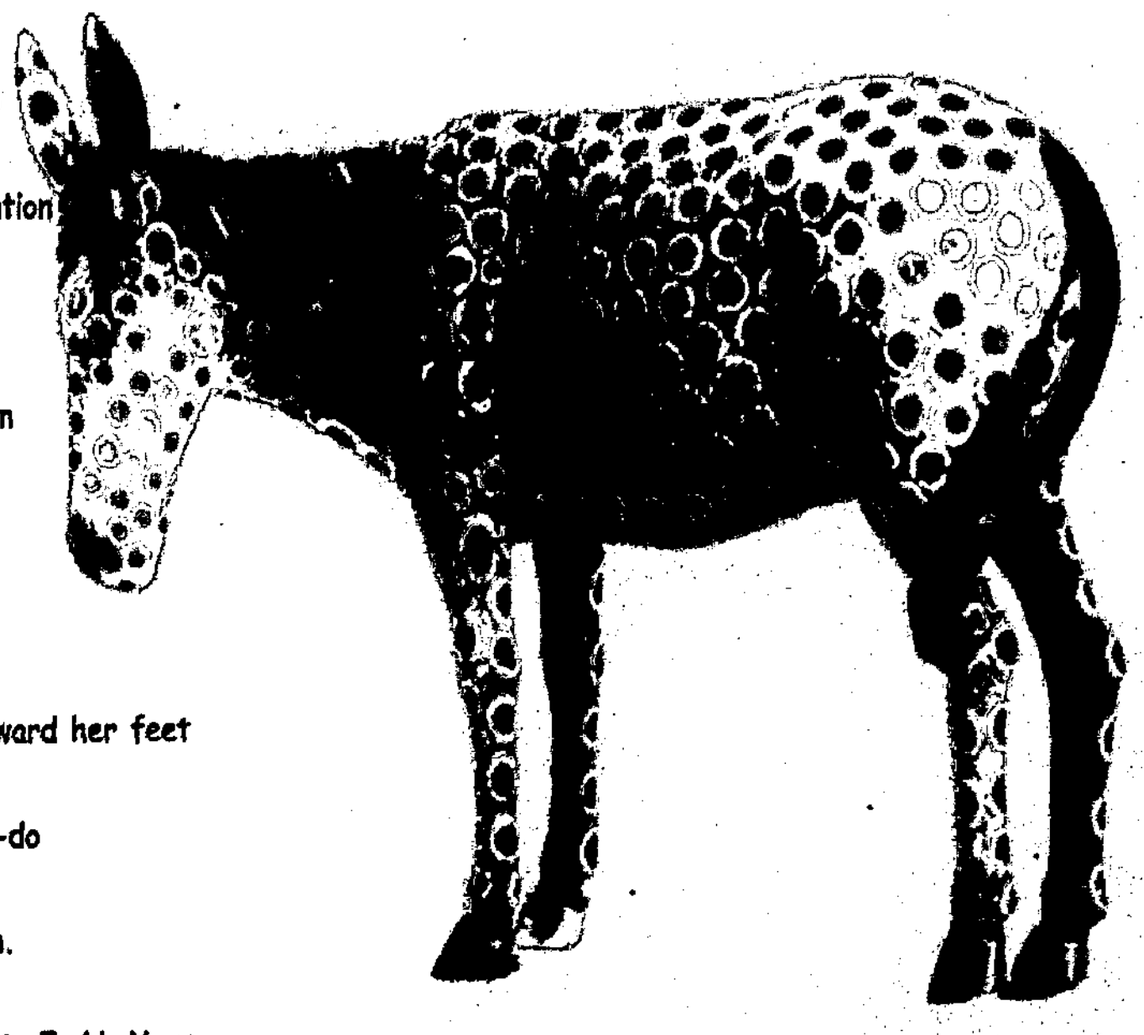
These burros and their stories rea
We would like to introduce you to

The Beautification Of Millie Redondo
(Owed to a Snail)

Millie Redondo, while crossing the Hondo
Encountered a species of snail
Whose main occupation involved pigmentation
They carried in miniature pails
The teeniest, tiniest pails

Upon her immersion, without any coercion
The painters began with conviction
Each sole was a brush of colorful slush
Applied with minimal friction
Rubbery, circular friction

Millie's passage complete, she gazed toward her feet
As the water returned her reflection
Inspecting each hue of the mollusks' re-do
Her heart leapt with joy and affection-
For her Land of Enchantment complexion.



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Artist: Ann Halle

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ion ditches into the ground and today the Acequias are still a vital part

...can you dig it?

PHOTOS BY RICHARD T. BRYANT

lly highlight each artist's intent and creative imagination.
a few members of the "Serenade" and tell you their stories.

Joan & Warren Malkerson

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o is hosting the "Burro
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Buffet will be served and
by Paul's Café of Carrizozo.
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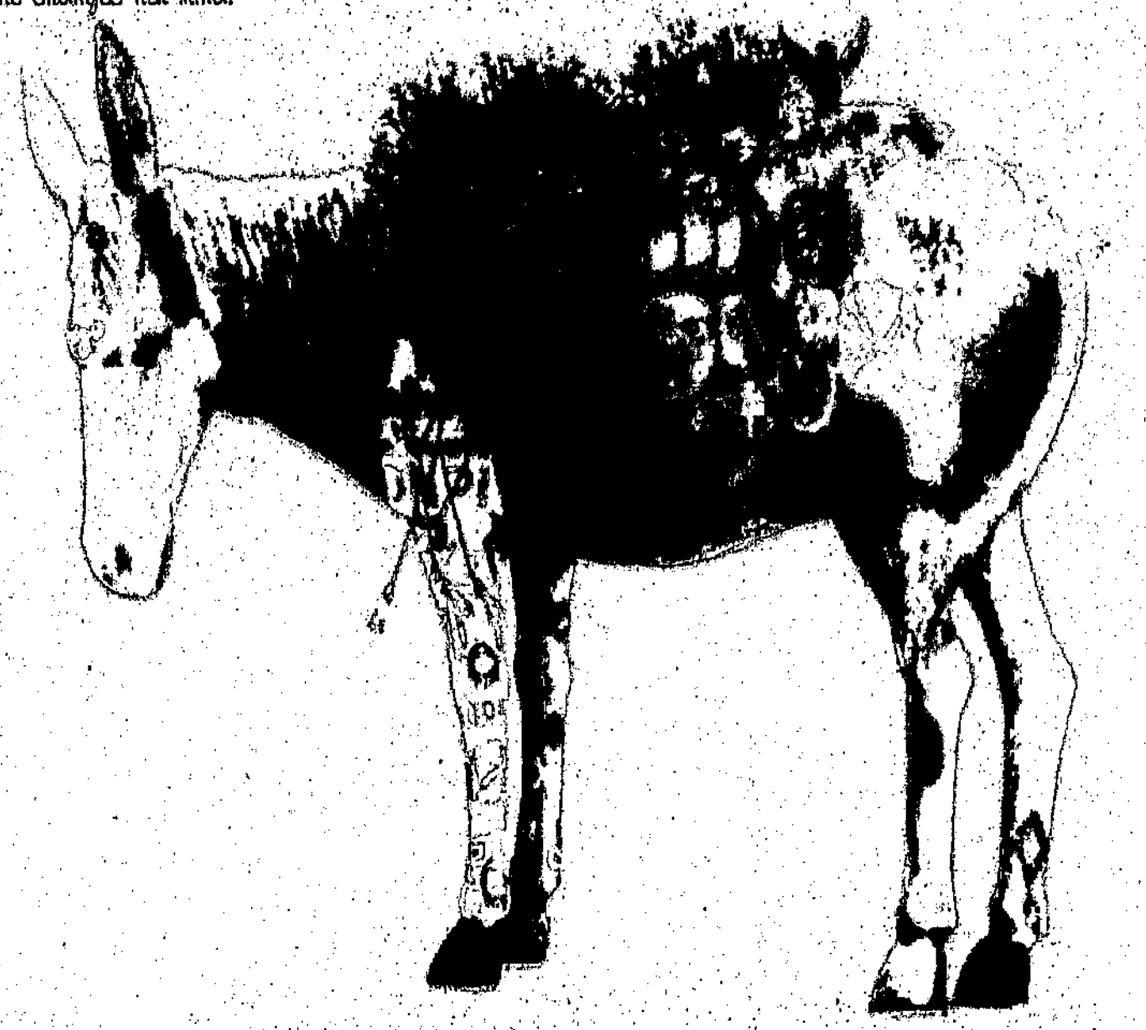
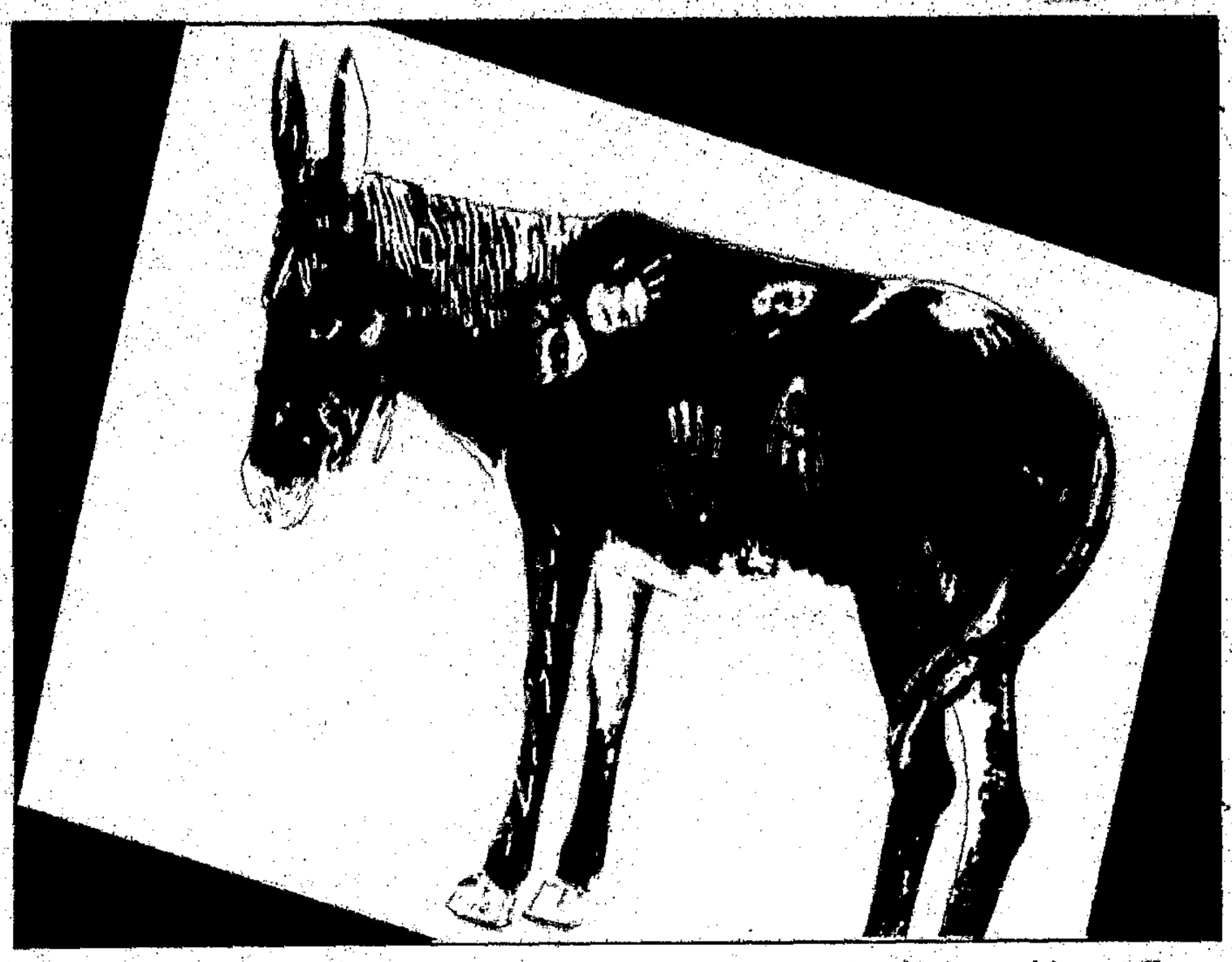
ls are designated to benefit
Paws for Pets and pet shelter
e in the Carrizozo community.

Whimsey *Artists:* Joan Malkerson and Louise Groethe

Whimsey has the qualities of a capricious, unpredictable and fanciful female. Indeed, she embodies the mixture of real and imaginary features...birds covered with beads, blankets made with antique buttons and baskets woven with electrician's wire. Each of this smiling, light-hearted lady's legs is different, each sock or stocking representing something about her. one speaks of computer binary language with 1s and 0s (she loves new technology); another leg has the symbol of wisdom, one is covered with flowers and florets for her love of beautiful things; and, finally, one leg simply looks good with her graphic design. Whimsey will sing a Capriccioso - a short, free, spontaneous style of Italian music. She will join in whatever serenade the group decides to sing...until she changes her mind.





Shamana ***Artists:*** *Zoë de Negri and Lynne Jeffrey*

Shamana *is a representative of animal spirits and power animals. As a magical burro, she acts as a medi ator between worlds. The 16 handprints (8 on each side – 8 being the number of Manifestation) are symbolic of the power-animal energy of bear, buffalo, hoofed animals, birds and turtle being received by humans. Other symbols on the healing hands call forth the energies of planets,elements, Earth and Heart energy.* ***Shamana*** *wears a purple halter, emphasizing her earthliness, yet the feathers denote lightness and her connection to higher wisdom. Turquoise is for protection and healing. Howlite on her forehead/third eye is for observation, awareness and communication.*

ON STAGE

COURTESY SPENCER THEATER

Winner of five Tony Awards including Best Musical, "Man of La Mancha" comes alive on the Spencer stage in this breathtaking new touring production by Phoenix Entertainment. Starring 30 singers, dancers and musicians, Man of La Mancha is a comic tragedy based on Miguel de Cervantes' classic novel, a series of adventures set in southern Spain that never fails to enchant, inspire and enamor.

Filled with heartbreaking hilarity, Quixote insists there are castles and Knights and virtuous ladies, but others only see taverns and windmills and trollops. Where others see pain and despair, Quixote sees hope and a better life. Featuring a phenomenal score that includes "Dulcinea," "I'm Only Thinking of Him," "The Quest (The Impossible Dream)" and "Aldonza," this is the story of spiritual love for our difficult time – and all the glorious times to come.

Show time is 8 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 20. Tickets are $49/$46.

Call the Spencer Theater at 336-4800 or visit www.spencertheater.com.

on the Spence

The Holidays are a time when families enjoy attending performances of the *"Nutcracker Ballet,"* based on Alexandre Dumas' interpretation of E.T.A. Hoffman's tale "The Nutcracker and the Mouse King," along with Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky's outstanding ballet composition. Ruidoso Dance Ensemble, a non-profit organization, will present this ballet at the Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts at 7 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday, Dec. 20-21.

The ballet tells the story of a little girl, Clara. At a Christmas party, Clara is given a nutcracker which comes to life to lead an army of toy soldiers in battle against invading mice. Victorious, the Nutcracker then turns into a Prince who leads her into the Kingdom of Sweets.

Ruidoso Dance Ensemble, an outstanding local dance company with professional standards, performs this holiday classic for the second year in a row on the Spencer stage. Under the artistic direction of Deborah Rogers, a former professional dancer with several Houston companies, this is a "Nutcracker" with assertive choreography and elegant action.

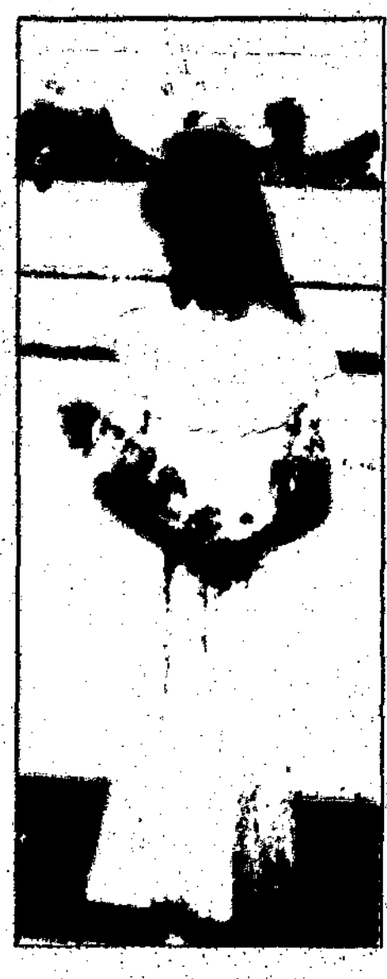
It is virtual eye-candy, not only with the *pas de deux*, mighty leaps and gorgeous Tchaikovsky score, but also because of the lavish costuming and stunning special effects of the props by the Spencer's Technical Director, Bob Phaup.

More than 50 area dancers, ages six to 60, will take roles. The production will again be joined by professional dancer Norbert Nirewicz, a former principal in his native country's Polish National Opera.

Tickets are $25 and can be purchased at the Spencer box office. Call 336-4800 for information.

SANDY KASHMAR/STAFF

Clara (Catie Cory) gazes at the life-size Nutcracker (Simon Pawlak) while Drosselmeyer (Brian Sarinova) looks amazed.



***The Dew Drop Fairy** (Katherine Martin, center) attended by the flowers. In pink, l-r, Emily North, Summer Sarinova, GiGi Wiggins, Lauren Flores, Kelley Stewart and Cami Atwood. In violet (l-r), Sarah Richardson and Kendra Martin.*

ON STAGE

Southern Fried Chicks

The Southern Fried Chicks Comedy Tour featuring Etta May, Karen Mills and Leanne Morgan makes a hilarious appearance on Monday, Nov. 20 at the Ruidoso Schools Performing Arts Center on Warrior Drive in Ruidoso, courtesy of the Ruidoso Concert Association. The evening of fun and laughter begins at 7:30 pm.

Their tour has caught the attention of cable station CMT, and they are currently negotiating for a one-hour Southern Fried Chicks special to be aired nationally in early 2007.

Three comics, all from the South, yet totally different – one is suburban, one is urban and one is just plain white trash. It is where the Old South, the New South and the Deep South come together for an evening of non-stop laughter. Hear the hilarious take each woman has on life, love, and the pursuit of happiness.

Leanne Morgan (suburban) is a University of Tennessee graduate and exudes Southern charm. With her June Cleaver looks and plantation accent, she has quickly gained popularity in the comedy world. She was a finalist at the Las Vegas Comedy Festival and was featured on ABC's "The View" in their hilarious housewives segment. Most recently, Leanne was a finalist on Nickelodeon's "Funniest Moms in America". Morgan now lives in Knoxville, TN with her three beautiful children and her anal-retentive, conservative, Republican husband who sells mobile homes for a living. Leanne exemplifies the Old South.

Karen Mills (urban) first started entertaining crowds in the sports arena. She played college basketball at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga where she earned All-American honors and was inducted into the Hall of Fame. Karen is a veteran comedian and has worked with Jon Stewart, host of "The Daily Show" on Comedy Central and was contributing writer for the "Rosie O'Donnell Show." Mills grew up in the small town of Cleveland, TN, but after graduating from college, she moved to Atlanta, GA where she went from catfish to sushi. Thanks to good books, good therapy, and, of course, Oprah, this one time country bumpkin has evolved into an enlightened, forward-thinking woman of the world. Her attitude reflects the New South.

Etta May (white trash) has been described as "Minnie Pearl with a migraine." May was born in Bald Knob, AR, and her family didn't realize she was girl until she was wearing a training bra. Etta May is married to a truck driver, and they have four unruly kids. Etta's comedy career began when she was calling BINGO one night and the ball sucker got stuck. Forced to entertain a room of angry Catholics, Etta May realized she could make people laugh. Since then she has won the prestigious American Comedy Awards Stand-up Comic of the Year. She has appeared on "Oprah," "Arsenio Hall," "Comic Strip Live," and MTV. Etta May stole the show with her hilarious performance on "The Comedy Store's 15th Anniversary Special," broadcast in prime time on NBC.

Etta May is an audience favorite on syndicated radio shows, "The Bob and Tom Show" and "The Rick and Bubba Show." Etta May will take you on a redneck ride through the Deep South.

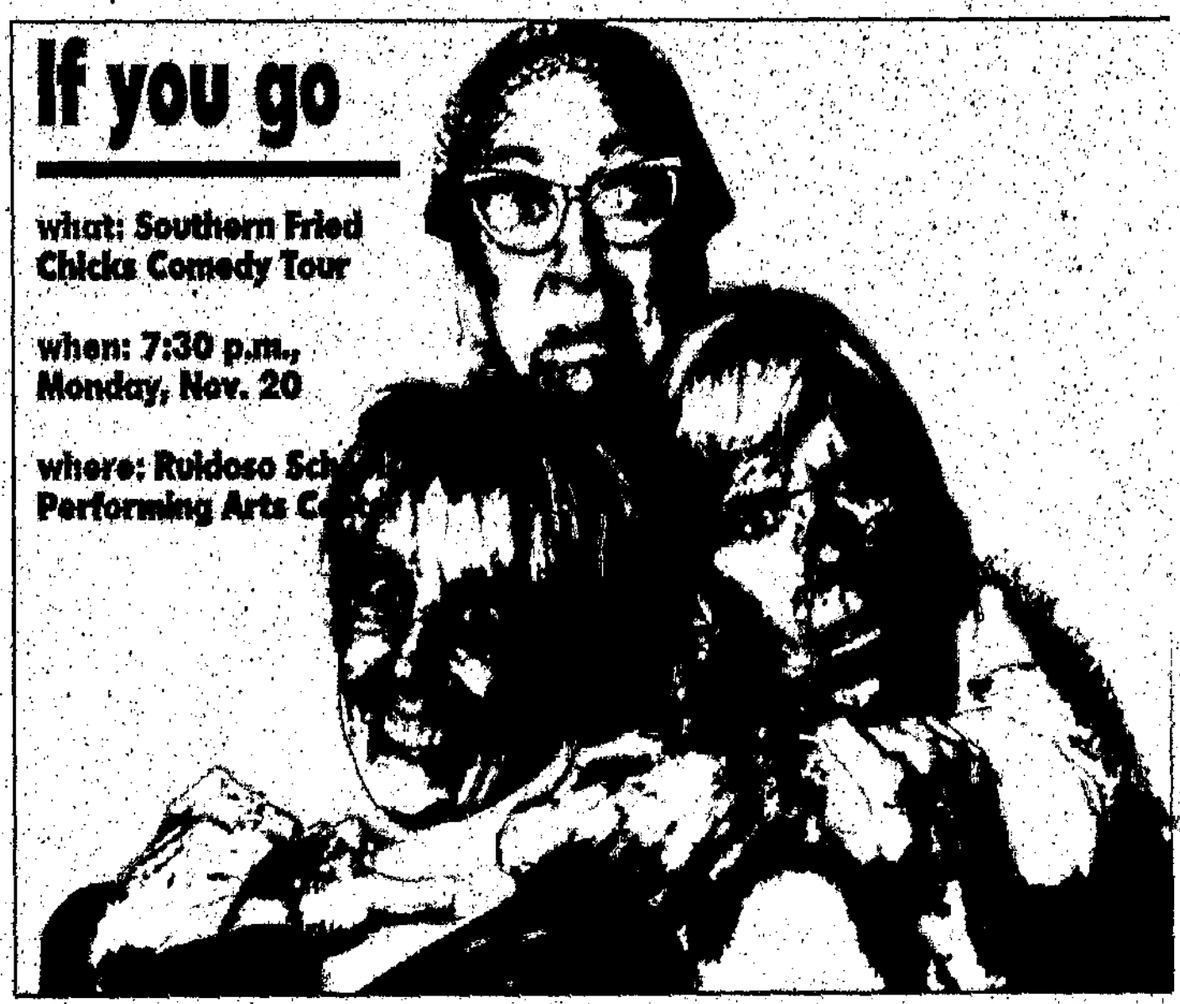
For tickets or more information about the show, contact Clinton at 258-5702, Charlotte or Bob at 336-4015 or Betsy at 336-1952. Tickets also available at Candle Power.

If you go

what: Southern Fried Chicks Comedy Tour

when: 7:30 p.m., Monday, Nov. 20

where: Ruidoso Sch[illegible] Performing Arts C[illegible]



Intellectual Illusions

BY LAURA DOTH
FOR ¡VAMONOS!

Bob Pattillo is no ordinary entertainer. He graduated from Texas Women's University School of Physical Therapy in 1984, and then attended a one-year manual therapy and orthopedic residency program. Pattillo's work experience includes Ochsner Teaching Hospital in Louisiana, Gulf Coast Physical Therapy in Mississippi, and New Mexico Physical Therapy in Albuquerque, NM. In 1989 he moved to Alamogordo and opened Alamogordo Physical Therapy. His company also has physical therapy clinics in Carlsbad and Artesia. Bob Pattillo's professional experience includes inpatient, outpatient, nursing home, pediatrics and home health care.

So what's a smart guy like Bob Pattillo doing at the Strathmann Family Dinner Theater in Ruidoso? Magic. "I worked my way through college performing at a variety of different functions," says Pattillo. "For me, entertaining crowds has always been a great way to really have some fun and make new friends."

As a part time professional entertainer, Bob Pattillo has performed at a number of different venues for corporations and at both public and private events. His specialty is a type of magic called "Close-Up" and "Mentalism". Mentalism is an ancient performing art in which the practitioner uses mental acuity, stage magic and/or suggestion to present the demonstration or illusion of mind reading, psychokinesis, precognition, clairvoyance or mind control. One of the earliest recorded performances of a mentalism act was by diplomat and pioneering sleight-of-hand magician Girolamo Scotto in 1572.

Pattillo's one-man show focuses on the untapped powers of the mind. Throughout his performance, guests are invited to participate. Some of the things they see are real...others are not. What is real and what is illusion? That's up to the audience to decide.

As an entertainer, Bob Pattillo amazes the audience with mystifying illusions. His unique demonstrations illustrate the power of the human mind, leaving guest shaking their heads in wonder. A superb performer and motivator, his customized creations are centered around audience participation where he makes the audiences the stars of the show.

Bob Pattillo's *Intellectual Illusions* will be presented at the Strathmann Family Dinner Theater house at Mountain Annie's this Friday and Saturday, Nov. 10-11. Dinner is at 7 p.m. and the show begins at 8 p.m. For information and reservations call 257-7982.

If you go

what: *Intellectual Illusions* with Bob Pattillo

when: Nov. 10-11

where: Mountain Annie's Dinner Theater House

PERFORMANCES

Dervish

BY SANDY KASHMAR
¡VAMONOS! EDITOR

My love of music includes all genres (yes, dear, even hip-hop) but there are certain types of music that stir me more than others - gypsy music, swing of any sort, blues, bluegrass and the music of Ireland. (I rarely miss the broadcasts of "Thistle and Shamrock" on Sundays from NPR.)

The Celtic moods, the stories and rhythms, the power, the introspection and the passion of the people come through in songs that range from sweet to frenetic, from simple to rhythmically complex, sometimes all within the same song.

Like chocolate, I find it difficult to pay attention to anything else once I've started indulging.

Now this is exciting: next week brings two opportunities to indulge in one of Ireland's most renowned traditional bands, Dervish. (How lucky we are to have a band of this caliber performing in our neighborhood. They arrive in New Mexico fresh from touring California and performing at the Austin Celtic Festival, and then it's on to Holland in December, Ireland in February and elsewhere in the US through 2007.)

In 2006, Dervish has marked 15 exciting years on the road together and the year started with the publication in the USA of the *Dervish Songbook* by music publishing giants Hal Leonard Corporation followed by extensive touring.

In a career filled with busy years, 2005 was one of the busiest yet, starting off with a trip to China in the company of Irish Taoiseach (Prime Minister – pronounced TEE-shock) Bertie Ahern. With some Irish shows slotted in to field test new material being co-written with the likes of Sharon Vaughn (co-writer on Jimmy Buffett's current multi-platinum album), Mark Simos and Grammy winner Brendan Graham, the dust barely settled before the band headed off on the first of three US tours in 2005.

The year had an early high point with news coming through during the Chinese trip that the readers of Ireland's premier music magazine *Hot Press* had voted the band Best Traditional/Folk Group, in a poll graced with acts of the caliber of Planxty, Altan and Lunasa.

The decision, taken by Sligo Borough Council in early 2004, to award Dervish the freedom of the Borough of Sligo cements their place as something akin to a force of nature in Irish traditional music. Their achievements have marked them out as a breed above, raising them into the exalted company of poet W.B. Yeats who was the first person to be awarded the freedom of Sligo.

With the release of their highly acclaimed album "Spirit" in June 2003, and "A Healing Heart" in 2005, Dervish once again demonstrated that when it comes to contemporary Irish folk music they truly have no equal. Their unique ability to create music of immense passion and verve coupled with their stunning virtuosity make Dervish a formidable force in world music. From the Great Wall of China to packed stadiums in the Holy Land, Japan and more recently the greatest music festival in the world, Rock in Rio, Dervish have come a long way in fifteen years.

Dervish will be performing at the Flickinger Theater in Alamogordo at 7:30 p.m., Tues. Nov.14. Tickets are $24/$18/$10. Call for information: 437-2202.

Dervish will also perform at 7:30 p.m. at the Macey Center on the New Mexico Tech campus in Socorro, Fri. Nov. 17. Tickets for this performance are $14/$12/$10. Call for information: 835-5688.

TRAVEL

Veteran's Day odyssey

Tropical morning sun, not yet molten with midday heat, warmed breezes that swirled around red granite markers spaced in the lush green lawn. Only the muffled sounds of the ocean less than a mile away and an occasional bird call broke the silence.

A middle-aged couple silently read the inscriptions on one marker. A guide spoke in muted tones to a group of five or six clustered around another.

All of them returned to the parking lot at the same time: the American couple and the Japanese group. Nodding courteously to one another, they boarded their vehicles and drove away from the World War II memorials on an island in the western Pacific.

Tomorrow, Nov. 11, is Veterans' Day, formerly called Armistice Day to commemorate the end of World War I, the war that was to have ended all wars.

Follow Me!

by Yvonne Lanelli

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Today, Nov. 10, is also the birthday of the US Marine Corps.

To honor veterans of all services, follow me to three little-known World War II memorials on islands in the Pacific Ocean, from the tropics to Alaska.

Saipan

We remember this, the second largest island of the Marianas in the western Pacific Ocean, for the Battle of Saipan, June 15-July 9, 1944. Today, Saipan thrives as a tropical tourist getaway, its wide, paved highways lined with resort hotels and fast food outlets. But tucked away on white sand beaches and green jungle hilltops, one finds many battle memorials. Some are inscribed in English, some in Japanese, some in both languages.

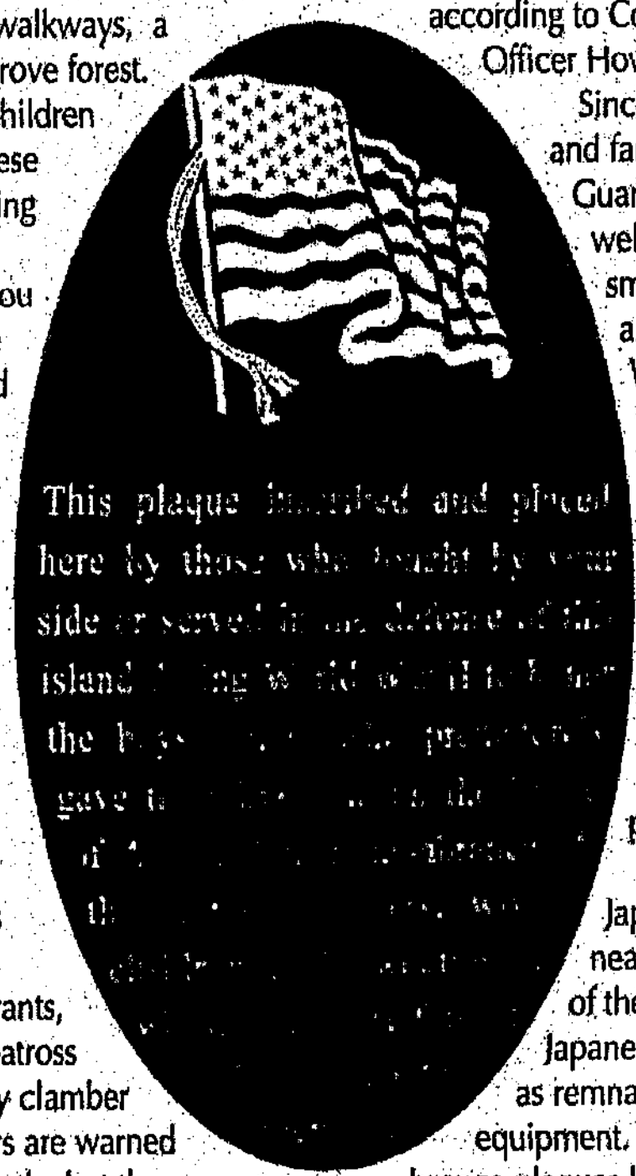
At the American Memorial Park near downtown Garapan, you'll appreciate what the WWII generation endured. Administered by the U.S. Park Service in partnership with the government of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, American Memorial Park honors the American and Marianas people who gave their lives during the Marianas Campaign of World War II, including the Battle of Saipan.

Strolling through the WWII museum's lifelike displays, hearing eyewitness accounts of Americans who fought the Battle of Saipan, then reading the over 5,000 names inscribed on a memorial wall at the Court of Honor and Flag Circle, you cannot help but be moved.

As New Mexicans, you might find the Navajo Code Talkers' exhibit the most intriguing. I listened to taped recollections by those Navajo Marines who successfully thwarted Japanese attempts to infiltrate American intelligence.

American Memorial Park is also a "living memorial." Joggers, tennis and softball players, beach-goers, windsurfers, snorkelers, bicyclers and others enjoy its 133 acres of white sand beaches, sports fields, picnic sites, boat marinas, playgrounds, walkways, a wetland and mangrove forest.

Watching the children – American, Japanese and locals – laughing and playing in the Park may inspire you to remember those WWII veterans and their families, and thank them for their sacrifices.



This plaque [illegible] here by those who fought by your side or served in the defense of this island [illegible] the [illegible] gave [illegible]

Attu, Kiska & Adak

Summer birdwatchers flock to these westernmost islands of Alaska's Aleutian chain, training binoculars on bald eagles, ptarmigan, cormorants, oystercatchers, albatross and others. As they clamber up hillsides, birders are warned not to stray from paths lest they encounter unexploded ordnance, for these wildflower-covered hillsides were once WWII battlegrounds. Bronze plaques, rusted planes, machine guns and sagging wooden shacks remind visitors of those days.

Once upon a time. . .

The Japanese captured Attu and Kiska, as well as Dutch Harbor, Alaska, 600 miles east, in the summer of 1942. It was the only time US soil was occupied by the enemy in WWII.

Setting up anti-aircraft defenses and aided by stormy weather, the Japanese repelled the Americans' first attempts to re-take the islands.

But in October, 1942, the Americans constructed an airfield on Adak, utilizing it as a base for the subsequent Battle of Attu in May, 1943.

After re-taking Attu, the Americans next looked to Kiska. Augmented by 5,000 Canadians, 30,000 American naval and army task forces invaded Kiska in August, 1943, expecting heavy opposition.

There was none. The Japanese had evacuated Kiska weeks before.

Memories and memorials

On tundra-covered Attu, 37 miles long and 15 miles wide, your birdwatching companions may be met by US Coast Guardsmen from the LORAN station. LORAN is a navigational signal that must be relayed around the world, according to Commanding Officer Howard.

Since visitors are few and far between, Guardsmen happily welcome you to their small headquarters and exhibit of WWII photos. They will also point out Holtz Beach, Chichagof Harbor, Scarlet Beach, Engineer Hill and other battle sites, many accessible from hiking or ATV paths.

Look for a Japanese 75-mm gun near Holtz Beach, site of the unfinished Japanese airstrip, as well as remnants of construction equipment. You'll also see bronze plaques honoring those who fought the Battle of Attu.

On Kiska, you'll land on a deteriorating wooden pier and walk over an equally deteriorating wooden boardwalk, both used by the evacuating Japanese. Paths lead to WWII relics: Japanese bunkers and anti-aircraft artillery, a Shinto shrine, ruins of a tori gate, even stoves.

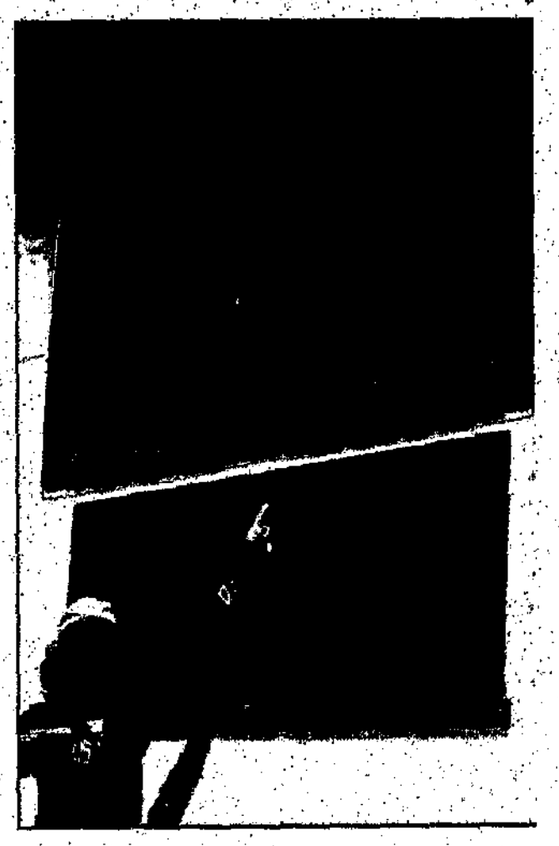
You can enter the remains of an American Quonset hut and slosh through bogs to view a War Memorial plaque.

As Lapland longspurs dart across your path and a peregrine falcon wheels overhead, you'll stare across fields of wildflowers – nootka lupine, buttercups, beach peas.

And you'll silently thank the men and women who, over 60 years ago, sacrificed so you'd have the freedom to visit here – or anywhere in the world.

YVONNE LANELLI

Next time: It's holiday travel time, and you'll never believe what happened to these travelers.



Where in the United States is the most western point and the most eastern point – in the same place? Attu is the farthest west of all the islands in the graceful arc of Aleutians that sweeps from Alaska's Kenai Peninsula to the Bering Sea. Ergo, it is the farthest west point of the US. But, if you look at a map or globe and find the tiny longitudinal numbers which start at Greenwich England and run eastward, you'll see that the first number of any U.S. area is – Attu!

COMMUNITY LISTINGS: LINCOLN COUNTY

To add or correct a listing, email vamonos@ruidosonews.com or fax (505) 257-7053

Help & Healing

Al-Anon: Meets at 10:30 a.m. every Saturday and 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday at 613 Sudderth, Suite H, Ruidoso; 257-9397.

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

Mountain High Recovery Group of Narcotics Anonymous: Meets Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays 7 p.m. at Ruidoso Downs First Baptist Church, 361 Hwy. 70 East.

Recovering Couples Anonymous: 6:45 p.m. Thursdays at the Episcopal Church Parish Hall meeting room, 121 Mescalero Trail; 505-808-2959.

Sex Addicts Anonymous: 5:30 p.m. Thursdays at the Episcopal Church Parish Hall meeting room, 121 Mescalero Trail; 505-653-4937.

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

Hands-On Healing Day and "Get Touched": 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. every second Saturday at High Mesa Healing Center, 101 Mader Ln., Alto. Experience various energy workers and their modalities. Info: 336-7777.

Meditation Group: Wallflowers Bed and Breakfast, 573 Highway 380 West, Capitan host a weekly 9 a.m. Tuesday Meditation group. Free. Info: 354-0967.

Messages from God through Rebecca S. Brown: High Mesa Healing Center, 101 Mader Ln., Alto. Fridays at 7 p.m. (no event Oct. 20). Donations appreciated but not required. Info: 937-7822 or email weareonebeloved@yahoo.com.

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

Stretch & Tone Class: For men and women of all ages, 9-10 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Senior Center, 501 Sudderth; RSVP Terry Franklin, 257-4565.

Clubs & Associations

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

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

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

Lincoln County Adult Singles: Meets every first and third Thursdays at various locations. Other meeting or event times will vary during the month. Darrell, 354-2635 or Sharon, 585-8535 or www.highcountryeng.com/LCASG.

Lincoln County Garden Club: 9:45 a.m. every third Tuesday at various locations; Joyce, 258-4663.

Mountaintop Woodturners: 2 p.m. every third Sunday at different members' workshops; Gary Henry, 336-2696, or Rollen Powell, 258-3896.

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

Photographic Society of Lincoln County: 7 p.m. every second Thursday in the conference room at the Region IX office at 1400 Suddrth Dr.; 258-4003.

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

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

Sierra Blanca Swingers: 7:30 p.m. every first and third Thursdays at Nob Hill Elementary for basic and mainstream square dancing; 336-4808.

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

Wednesday Weed Warriors: Help wage ware against the spread of noxious weeds. 8:30 a.m. Wednesdays at intersection of Hull Road and Warrior Drive. Carolyn Felder, 258-1347, carfelder@valornet.com, through August.

Education

After-School at the Library: Every Tuesday afternoon, 3:15-5 p.m.Making decorations, face painting, crafts, pumpkin decorating and a movie highight October events. Ruidoso Public Library, 107 Kansas City Rd. Info: 258-3704 or 258-4619.

Adult Awareness/Brown Bag Luncheon: Wednesdays, noon-1 p.m. Variety of topics. Bring your lunch and enjoy the presentation. Ruidoso Public Library, 107 Kansas City Rd. Info: 258-3704 or 258-4619.

First Friday Adult Lecture Series.: Monthly, Capitan Public Library, free. Info: 354-3035.

La Junta F.C.E.: 10:45 a.m. every third Wednesday at San Patricio Senior Citizens building; 653-4718.

Service Organizations

Alto P.E.O. Group: 11 a.m. on June 23, July 28, Aug. 25 and Sept. 22; 336-4490 or 258-3896.

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

Boy Scouts of America, Troop 59: 6 p.m. every second and fourth Monday, Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount; 378-4880.

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

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

Capitan Smokey Bear Lions Club: 5 p.m. every Thursday at Capitan Village Hall. Kitty or Bob Callender, 258-1345.

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

Daughters of the American Revolution: Sierra Blanca chapter meets every third Saturday, Sept.-May, time and place TBA; 378-4799.

Friends of Capitan Library: Call for volunteers for Not Too Shabby Thrift Shop. Info: Raynene, 354-3046 or library, 354-3035.

Kiwanis: Tuesdays at noon at K-Bobs; Todd, 257-4033.

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

Rotary International, Ruidoso-Hondo Valley Club: 11:45 a.m. every Tuesday at Cree Meadows Country Club. During the school year, meetings every first Tuesday are at the Teepee Lounge at Ruidoso High School. Barbara, 258-5445, Phillis, 257-5555 or Greg, 257-1255.

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

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

Ruidoso Federated Woman's Club: 1:30 p.m. every second Wednesday Sept. - May in the Woman's Club Building, 116 Evergreen Road, behind Ruidoso Office Supply; Game day: 11:45 a.m. Monday, potluck lunch followed by bridge and other games. 257-7936.

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

Ruidoso Valley Noon Lions Club: Meets at 11:30 a.m. every Tuesday for lunch and a short meeting at Cree Meadows Country Club; 257-0363.

Zia Girl Scout Council: 6 p.m. every third Thursday at the Cherokee Mobile Village Clubhouse on U.S. 70. Leaders encouraged to attend. Anyone interested in Girl Scouts may attend; 437-2921.

White Mountain Search & Rescue: 7 p.m. every third Monday in the conference room at Ruidoso Police Station on Mechem Drive; 378-5237 or 257-2339.

Veterans

American Legion Robert J. Hagee Post 79: 6 p.m. every third Wednesday, American Legion Building, U.S. 70 and Spring Road, Ruidoso Downs; 257-5796

VFW Post 7072 and Auxiliary, Jerome Don Klein Post and its women's auxiliary: 6 p.m. in the winter and at 7 p.m. in the summer, every second Monday at American Legion Hall, Hwy. 70 and Spring Road, Ruidoso Downs; 257-5796.

Political

Democratic Party of Lincoln County: 6:30 p.m. every first Thursday at K-Bob's, Highway 70 West; Joyce, 336-4501.

Federated Republican Women of Lincoln County: Noon every fourth Tuesday. Board meeting at 11 a.m. All women are welcome; Dianne, 653-4217 or dianned@cirecway.com

Republican Party of Lincoln County: 6 p.m. every first Thursday at Weber's Grill; 336-4490.

Other Ongoing Activities

Community Connections Network Lunch: Every second Thursday at Alto Country Club Restaurant to network and discuss upcoming local projects and events. Monthly guest speakers. Barbara, 336-7777.

Lincoln County Rural Economic Development Through Tourism (REDTT): Council meets at 1 p.m. every second Monday. Meetings are open to the public; Charlotte Rowe, bcro@zianet.com.

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

Spinning Bee: 9 a.m. to noon, third Saturdays at La Placita in Lincoln; 354-7040.

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

Weight Watchers: 9:30 a.m. Friday and 5:30 p.m. Thursday at Community United Methodist Church, 220 Junction Rd.; Maggie, 802-0214.

COMMUNITY LISTINGS: OTERO COUNTY

Veterans / Military Groups

Air Force Sergeants Association Chapter 1257: Open meeting/luncheon at 11:30 a.m. every second Wednesday at Base Community Center. Visits to area veterans in local care centers every third Saturday, starting at the Betty Dare Center on North Florida Avenue at 9:30 a.m. Gil Isley, 434-5552.

American Legion Riders Association, Chapter 8: Meets every first Wednesday at American Legion Post 108, 23117 U.S. 70E, Tularosa; Ed Summerall, 430-4322.

VFW Post 7686 and Ladies Auxiliary: Meetings are at 7 p.m. every third Tues. at 700 U.S. 70 West in Bingo Hall; 437-0770.

Service Organizations

Alamogordo Breakfast Lions Club: Meets at 7 a.m. every Sat. at Maximino's, 2300 White Sands Blvd. The public is welcome. Jeanette or Chuck, 434-6296.

Alamogordo Noon Kiwanis: Meets at Margo's Mexican Restaurant every Wed., except the fifth. 434-6417.

Alamogordo Public Library Foundation: Raises money and awareness for Alamogordo Public Library, with the long term goal of a new public library building in Alamogordo. Flori, 437-6616 or Allen 434-2349.

Beta Sigma Phi International Sorority: Focusing on cultural, social and service activities. Alberta, 437-4258.

Big Brothers Big Sisters: Accepting applications for children ages 6 - 17 and volunteers 18 years or older. 434-3388.

Daughters of the American Revolution: Meets monthly on second Mon. at time and place TBA. 437-7200.

Downtown Lions Club: Meets on second and fourth Mon.s at Margo's Mexican Restaurant, 504 E. First St. Terry Reed at 434-3968 or Martha 437-7515.

Kiwanis Club of Alamogordo: Meets on first and third Thurs.s at 8 a.m. at Maximino's Restaurant, 2300 N. White Sands Blvd. 434-0923.

Order of the Eastern Star: Tularosa Basin Chapter No. 72 meets at 7:30 p.m. every third Mon. at 409 Higuera St.,Tularosa. 434-1456.

Education

ESL: English as a second language class, 9 a.m. each Mon., 1328 Scenic Dr. $15 for workbook. Class sponsored by Mountain Valley Baptist Association. 437-9987.

H.E.L.P. Head Start: Accepting applications for pre-school children with or without disabilities. Free meals. Alamogordo Center: Maria Gallegos. 434-6313; La Luz Center: Martina Travis, 437-4485; Tularosa Center: Annette Chavez, 585-4818.

Integrated Instructional Services Department: Monthly Parent/Staff Advisory Committee meeting, 4 - 6 p.m. every second Tues. at the IIS Building. Dr. Doug Householder, 439-3200.

Lacy Simms: Governing council meets at 5:30 p.m. every second and fourth Mon. at First National Bank Building Atrium. Regular meetings are at 7:15 p.m. 437-4011.

Toddler Story Time: Stories and crafts for 2-year-olds. Mon., 10:30-11 a.m. 439-4140, ext. 18.

Help & Healing

American Cancer Society Quality of Life Center and Gift Closet: 3 - 5 p.m. every Tues. at Gerald Champion Regional Medical Center Conference Center. "Look Good .. Feel Better" sessions are available with reservations. Vivian Smith, 434-5874 or Lillie Lewis, 439-8409.

Alamogordo City Disability Council: Meets at 1 p.m. every third Wed. at the Disability Resource Center, No. 772 in the Granada Shopping Center. 439-4889.

Free Blood Pressure Screening: 9 a.m. - noon Mon., Wed., and Fri. at the Red Cross office, 700 E. First St., No. 765. 437-4421.

Calvary Baptist Clothes Closet: Open 2 - 4 p.m. Tues. and Thurs., 1200 Indian Wells Rd. All clothing is offered free of charge. Donations of clean, wearable clothing accepted. 437-0110.

Child Health Care: No or low cost for children under 19. Apply at the Otero County Public Health Office. 437-9340, 437-9899, or 437-9093.

Father Hay Thrift Store: Donations accepted, 1640 N. White Sands Blvd. Proceeds benefit Father Hay Catholic School. 434-5450.

St. John's Community Kitchen: Free meals 5-6 p.m. Tues. and Thurs. 437-3891.

HIBAC: Counselors are available in the Nutrition Office at the Alamo Senior Center, 9 a.m. - noon, Mon. & Wed. to assist with supplemental insurance for Medicare.

Habitat for Humanity Home Improvement Outlet: Open 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. every Wed. & Sat. New and used discounted home improvement materials. Donations welcome. 437-0160. Now accepting applications from low-income families for new houses. Pick up applications at 1109 10th St., Mon-Fri, 8-12 & 1-4. Deadline is Nov. 20.

Humane Society of Otero County: Meets at 6:30 p.m. every first Thurs. at Margo's Mexican Restaurant. 437-0157.

Low Income Housing: Applications are accepted 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. Mon.-Fri. at the Alamogordo Housing Authority, located at 104 Amigo Ave. Laura, 437-5621 ext. 11.

New Life Group of Narcotics Annonymous: Meets Sun. 6 p.m., Tues./Thurs. 8 p.m., Fri. 5:30 p.m. First Christian Church, 2300 23rd St.

Salvation Army Social Services: Open 10 a.m. - noon and 1-4 p.m. Tues., Wed., Thurs.; 10 a.m. - noon Fri. 443-0845

Salvation Army Thrift Store: Open 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Mon.-Fri., and from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Sat. 443-0845

Search and Rescue: Meets every second and fourth Thurs.s at the National Guard Armory, 1600 S. Florida Ave. Leroy Lewis, 430-2987 or Dan Josetosky, 437-4813.

ZTrans: Public transportation for $1. Serves Holloman Air Force Base, Alamogordo, La Luz, Alamorosa, Tularosa and Mescalero. 439-4971.

Zia Thrift Store: Open 9 a.m. - 5 p.m at 816 E. Ninth St., across from the N.M. Department of Labor Mon. - Sat. Proceeds support the programs at Zia Therapy Center for children and adults with developmental disabilities. Donations appreciated. Fri.s are Military Discount Day. 437-0144.

Zia Transportation Services: Offered for work, work-related activities, education, training, and child-care. Contact an Income Support Division caseworker, New Mexico Works caseworker, or Zia Therapy Center at 437-4222.

Political

Mountain Democrats: Noon every third Wed. at Big Daddy's Restaurant on U.S. 82, Cloudcroft. Dr. Harvey Hilbert, 687-3219, HarveyHilbert@yahoo.com.

Clubs & Associations

Alamo Squares: Dance lessons at 7 p.m. and dance at 8p.m. Sat., Sept.23 at the I.O.O.F. Hall 1400 East First Street. Info: 437-3043, 434-2618 or 437-5474.

Alamogordo Astronomy Club: Meets every third Fri. Mike Mosier, 437-8260.

Alamogordo Genealogical Society: 2 p.m. every third Sat. in the Sacramento room, Alamogordo Public Library. Betty Bass, Bruce and Jinnie Matson will discuss publishing family histories. Chewy, 439-1205.

Alamogordo Mustang Club: Meets at 6:30 p.m. the second Thurs. of the month at Vision Ford. Daurian Orchard, 491-7952.

Boy Scouts: Programs open to boys first grade-age 20, girls tenth grade-age 20. Info: Suzy, 437-7640.

Chaparral Kennel Club: 7 p.m. every first Wed. at First National Bank annex. Promotes purebred dogs; conformation and obedience; dog shows and matches; and the rescue of purebred dogs. Joanne, 439-5510.

The Christian Self-Employed Business Club: Breakfast meetings at 8 a.m. on Fri.s. Any self-employed person and a guest are welcome to attend. Paul Collins, 437-8257.

Crochet Guild of America: The Alamogordo Touch of Class Chapter welcomes all levels of crocheters. 437-3832.

Desert Basin Toastmasters: Meets 6 - 7 p.m. every Tues. at the CAPPED Offices at 907 New York Ave. 437-1899.

Desert Castaways Duplicate Bridge Club: Meets 12:30 p.m. every Mon., Tues. & Fri. at the Alamogordo Senior Center, 2201 Puerto Rico. 437-2822.

Enchanted Quilters Guild: Meets 7 - 9 p.m. every first and third Thurs.s at Chris-tian Church Fellowship Hall, 1300 Hawaii Ave. All are welcome. 682-2312.

Experimental Aircraft Association: Meets at 7 p.m. every second Tues. in the pilot's lounge at Alamogordo-White Sands Regional Airport. Open to all persons interested in aviation and/or experimental aircraft including non-pilots.

Girl Scouts: Open to girls ages 5-17. Nancy, 437-2921.

Golden Gears Car Club: Meets at 7 p.m. every first Thurs. at the VFW annex building. Cruise-Ins are on the last Sat. of each month at Sonic on the north end of town on White Sands Blvd. 434-0200.

Historic Vehicle Association of Alamogordo: Anyone with an interest in old cars is welcome to join. Ownerships of a vintage auto not necessary. John Douglas, 437-5318 or Gale Ortiz, 434-5242.

The New Horizon Band: Rehearsals 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. every Thurs. at the Alamogordo Senior Center. 434-4281.

New Mexico Solar Energy Assn: Bimonthly Jan-Nov. 3rd Wed., 6:30 p.m. at Otero PATH, S. Florida at 1st St. Guest speaker, alternate energy/building ideas. Public welcome. Chuck:: 434-6296.

Noel Southard Chapter of the National Wildlife Turkey Federation: Meets at 7 p.m. every first Mon. at the Aristocrat Assisted Living Center on Robert Bailey Drive. 434-8356 or 434-1467.

Singles of Otero County: Weekly activities to provide a social network for singles in the area. 18 & over welcome. 437-4035.

Tularosa Basin Rockhounds: Meets every second Tues. at First Christian Church, 2300 23rd St. Field trips every fourth Satur-day, annual campouts and picnic. 437-3377.

White Sands Dart Association: Double team tournaments 7:30 p.m. every Wed. at Fraternal Order of Eagle's Club, 471 24th St. Join to play or learn. Chris and Cathy Smith, 443-1746.

Other Ongoing Activities

Bingo: 7 p.m. every Mon. at the Elks Lodge, 2290 Hamilton Road. Doors open at 6 p.m. $1,000 Jackpot. Free coffee. 437-1897

Bingo: 7 p.m. Wed.-Fri. and Sun., 2 p.m. Sat. at the VFW, 700 U.S. 70 West. Age 10 and over welcome with an adult. 437-0770.

Coffee Club: 7:30 - 9 a.m. every third Wed. at Edward Jones Investments, 1106 E. 10th St. Topics include current events, identity theft and Social Security. Breakfast rolls and juices provided. 443-1900.

Meditation Group: Every Sat., 10 a.m. - noon at 1010 16th St., Alamogordo. Music-guided meditation. 443-1075.

Seniors Ping Pong: 8 - 11 a.m. Mon., Wed. and Fri. at Alamogordo Senior Center, 2201 Puerto Rico Ave. Monty, 437-1601.

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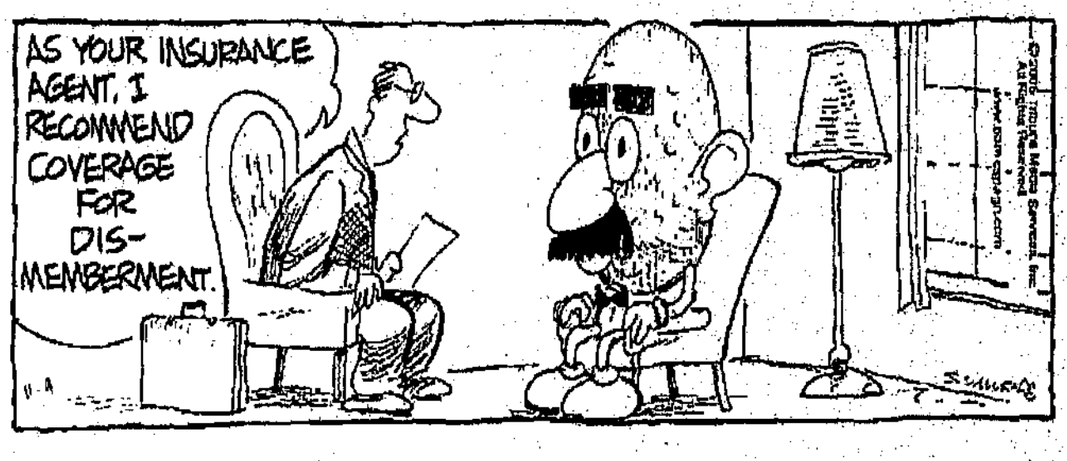

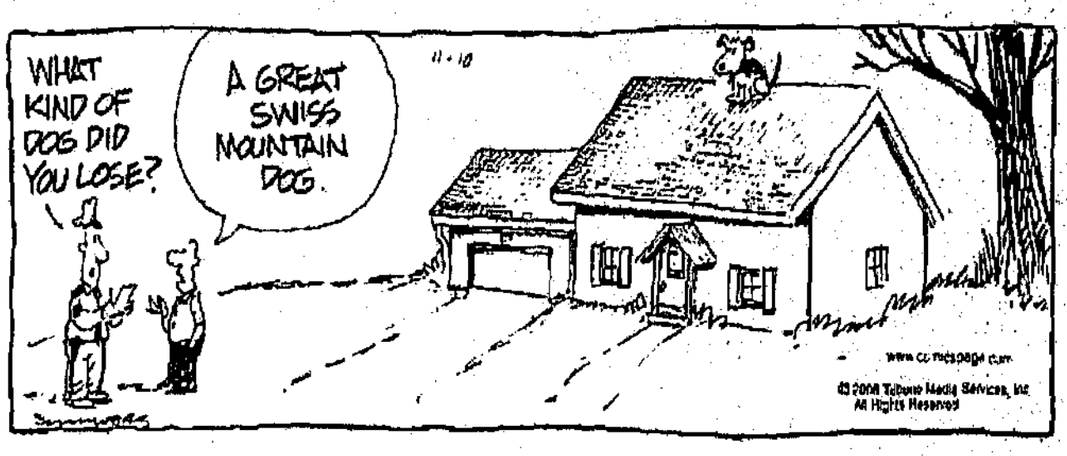

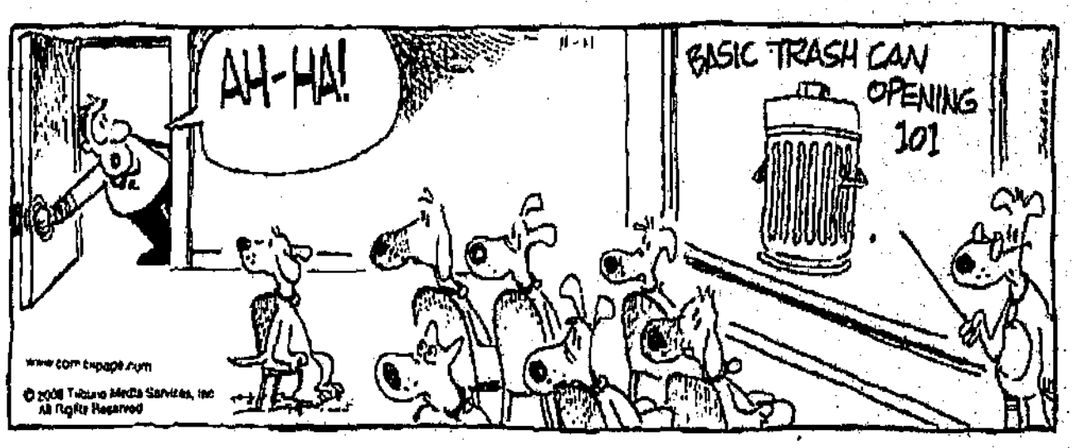

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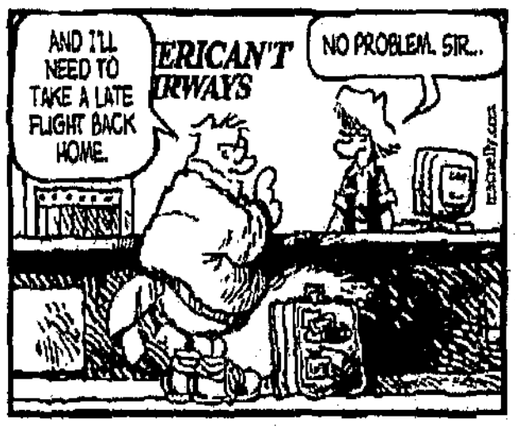

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COMICS & PUZZLES

Los Angeles Times Sunday Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

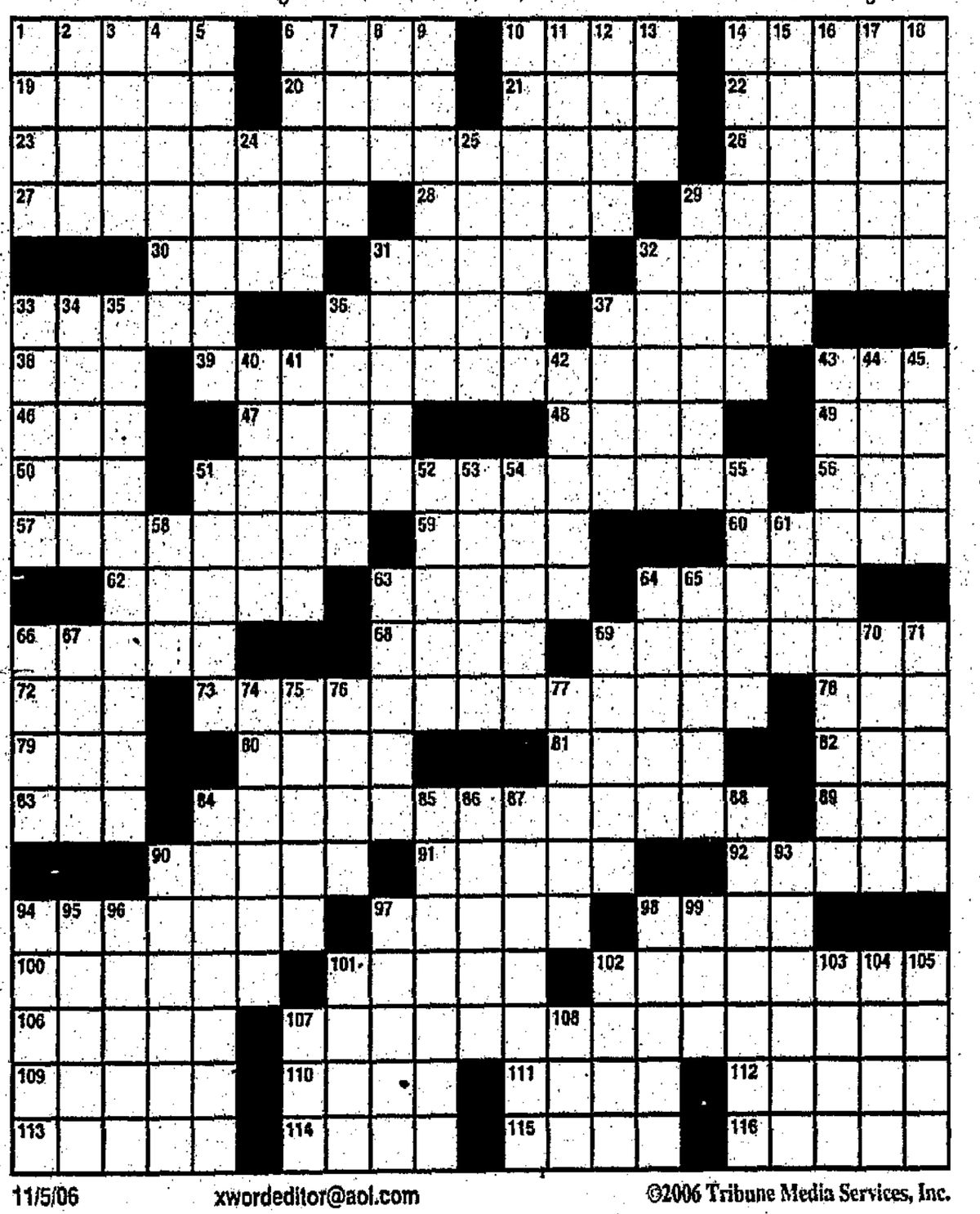
"WINDY CITY CINEMA" By PATRICK JORDAN

ACROSS

1 1983 Mr. T comedy
6 Modeling material
10 Catalogued work
14 Dings in the Dodge
19 Mitchell heroine
20 Gambling mecca
21 Smoked salmon
22 Put forth, as effort
23 Drew Barrymore film set in Chicago
26 Fates count
27 Windows over doors
28 Milo of moviedom
29 Lace-trimmed neckwear
30 Oklahoma tribe
31 Sorrow
32 Alpine abodes
33 __-Bismol
36 Sub sensor
37 Flag waver's message, maybe
38 Itinerary abbr.
39 Mel Gibson film set in Chicago
43 Spicy
46 __ Lanka
47 Comparative words
48 Pen pal's protest?
49 Scull
50 Pig thief of rhyme
51 Tom Cruise film set in Chicago
56 "So that's it!"
57 One way to order
59 Like auctioned items
60 Enter
62 __-slipper
63 Sea
64 Obscured
66 Perot opposed it during his '92 campaign
68 Drawn-out
69 Intellectually appealing
72 "This __ House": 1954 #1 song
73 Billy Crystal film set in Chicago
78 Immodesty
79 Patriotic chant
80 Casino sign gas
81 Presently
82 Spot for a shot
83 Neither partner
84 Cary Grant film set in Chicago
89 "Do __ favor"
90 Likewise
91 Buenos __
92 Clampett portrayer
94 Smartens (up)
97 Irish nationalist Robert
98 Jewelry designer Peretti
100 It can come before a million
101 Forty-niner's stake
102 Schwarzenegger trait
106 Sonata movement
107 Tom Hanks film set in Chicago
109 Absolute
110 Little bit
111 "Uh-uh," in Ulm
112 Nemo's creator
113 Walk leisurely
114 Frank
115 Pea jacket wearers
116 Regions

DOWN

1 It's forbidden
2 '70s variety show co-host
3 Vena __; heart vessel
4 Kid's rebuttal
5 City on Route 66
6 Word on either side of "de la"
7 Wine sediment
8 Writer Beattie
9 "Walking on Thin Ice" songwriter
10 Like some breezes
11 Baffler
12 Eye layer
13 Heavy-hearted
14 Divert
15 Sigh, say
16 Daredevil's asset
17 Grab the tab
18 Editorial changes of heart
24 Frightening sound
25 Literally, it means "submission" (to God)
29 Stew pieces
31 Soft, as fabric
32 Hoisting apparatus
33 Olive Garden selection
34 Flamboyant Flynn
35 Richard Gere film set in Chicago
36 Weapon for Buffy
37 Metrodome player
40 Hirsute
41 Short helpers?
42 Clamorous
43 Arthur Agee/William Gates film set in Chicago
44 Honolulu's island
45 Certain race
51 "M*A*S*H" character with great hearing
52 Powerful industrialist
53 Making a patsy of
54 Does a ditty
55 Sorted, in a way
58 Fiddler of rhyme
61 The Missouri R. forms its eastern border
63 Russian pancakes
64 Judean king
65 Bowl, perhaps
66 Paper or plastic, e.g.
67 To boot
69 __ Major
70 Settle (on)
71 Dramatic salesman
74 Brings together
75 Hornets' hangouts
76 Canceled, at NASA
77 Wedge-shaped mark
84 Cookout flavoring
85 Muslim calendar month
86 Put on a cap
87 Buchanan's 1856 opponent
88 School where the Talmud is studied
90 Scottish coastal city
93 Angler, at times
94 Play lightly
95 Shooter's output
96 Tirades
97 Delight to the max
98 Gamers
99 PC feature
101 Henhouse
102 Golda of Israel
103 Beget
104 Pulitzer poet Van Duyn
105 Change for a five
107 River in Spain
108 Little legume



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JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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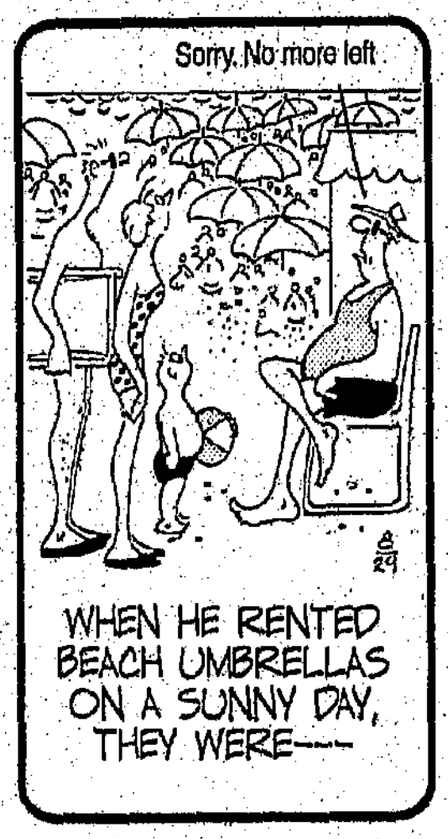
THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by Henri Arnold and Mike Argirion



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Answer: _____ _____ " _____ "

Jumbles: PURGE GAUDY WAYLAY SALUTE
Answer: When he rented beach umbrellas on a sunny day, they were — ALL USED "UP"

ANSWER TO TODAY'S PUZZLE

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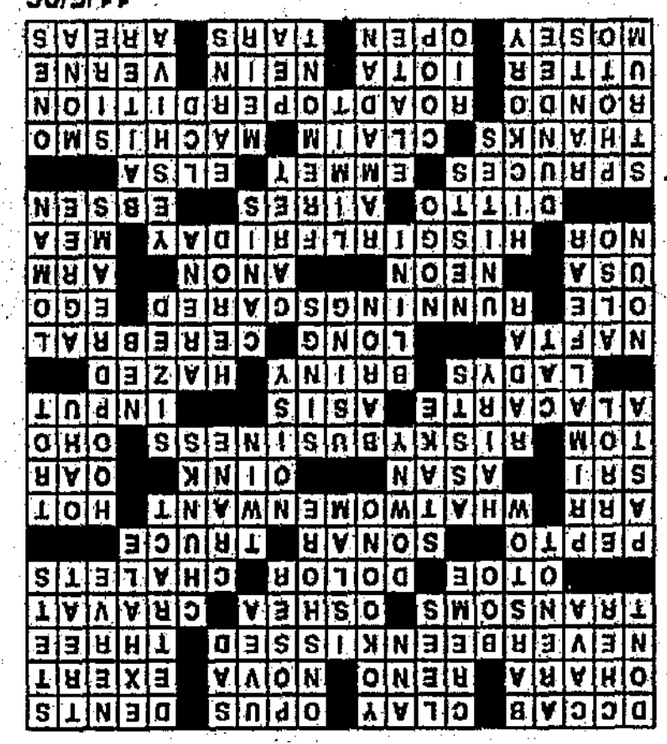

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Pro golf:

a game of non-stop boredom

Dave's World

by Dave Barry
Tribune Media Services

It's a gloriously sunny day in Miami, and I'm standing in a semicircle of maybe 500 people on a carpet of lush, sweet-smelling, green-glinting grass, the kind that makes you want to get naked and roll around on your back like a dog.

But the people around me are not doing that. They're silent and solemn, like a church congregation, except that a lot of them are smoking cigars. They're staring intently at some tiny figures way off in the distance. I'm staring, too, but I can't quite make out what the figures are doing.

Suddenly the crowd murmurs, and 500 heads jerk skyward in unison. I still can't see anything. The crowd holds its breath, waiting, waiting, and then suddenly...PLOP...a little white ball falls from the sky, lands in the middle of the semicircle and starts rolling. Immediately the crowd members are shouting at it angrily.

"Bite!" they shout, spewing saliva and cigar flecks. "BITE!!" This is how they tell the ball they want it to stop rolling.

The ball, apparently fearing for its life, stops. The crowd members applaud and cheer wildly. They're acting as though the arrival of this ball is the highlight of their lives.

Which maybe it is. These are, after all, golf fans. And this ball was personally hit by – prepare to experience a heart seizure – JACK NICKLAUS.

This exciting moment in sports occurred at the Doral-Ryder Open golf tournament, an event on the professional golf tour, wherein the top golfers from all over the world gather together to see who can take the longest amount of time to actually hit the ball.

I don't know about you, but when I play golf – which I have done a total of three times in my life – I don't waste a lot of time. I just grab a club, stride briskly to the ball, take a hearty swing, then check to see if the ball has moved from its original location. If it hasn't, I take another hearty swing, repeating this process as necessary until the ball is gone, which is my cue to get out another ball, because I know from harsh experience that I will never in a million years find the first one.

I keep this up until there are no balls left, which is my cue to locate the part of the golfing facility where they sell beer. In other words, I play an exciting, non-stop-action brand of golf that would be ideal for spectators, except that most of them would be killed within minutes.

Your professional golfer, on the other hand, does not even *think* about hitting a ball until he has conducted a complete geological and meteorological survey of the situation – circling the ball warily, as though it were a terrorist device, checking it out from every possible angle, squatting and squinting, checking the wind, taking soil samples, analyzing satellite photographs, testing the area for traces of O.J. Simpson's DNA, etc. Your professional golfer takes longer to line up a six-foot putt than the Toyota corporation takes to turn raw iron ore into a Corolla.

I know that it may sound boring to watch grown men squat for minutes on end, but when you see a pro tournament in person – when you're actually watching these world-class golfers line up their shots – it is, in fact, UNBELIEVABLY boring. At least it was for me. I would rank it, as a spectator sport, with transmission repair.

"HIT THE BALL, ALREADY!" is what I wanted to shout at Jack Nicklaus, but I did not, because the crowd would have turned on me, and my lifeless body would have been found later buried in a sand trap, covered with cigar burns, because these fans worship the golfers, and they seem to be truly fascinated by the squatting and squinting process.

The more time that passed with virtually nothing happening, the more excited the golf fans became, until finally, when Jack got ready to take the extreme step of actually hitting the ball, everybody was nearly crazy with anticipation, although nobody was making a peep, because putting is an extremely difficult and highly technical activity that – unlike, for example, brain surgery – must be performed in absolute silence.

And so, amid an atmosphere of tension comparable to that of a Space Shuttle launch, Jack finally bent over the ball, drew back his putter and gently tapped the ball.

"GET IN THE HOLE!" the crowd screamed at the ball. "GET IN THE HOLE!"

The ball, of course, did not go in the hole. Your world-class golfers miss a surprising number of short putts. Too much squatting, if you ask me.

"NO!" shouted the crowd, when the ball stopped, maybe an inch from the hole. Some men seemed to be near tears; some were cursing openly. These people were FURIOUS at the ball. They did not blame Jack. Jack worked HARD to line up this putt, and here this idiot ball LET HIM DOWN.

But Jack was magnanimous. He tapped the ball in, and the fans applauded wildly, as well they should have, because it is not every day that you see a person cause a little ball to roll six feet.

When Jack had acknowledged the applause, the next famous world-class golfer in his group, John Daly, began considering the many, many complex factors involved in his putt, which he will probably be ready to attempt no later than June. Let me know if he makes it. I'll be in the grass just beyond the refreshment area, rolling around like a dog.

This classic Dave Barry column was originally published April 16, 1995.

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Pan de Muerto

Polly's Potpourri

by Polly E. Chavez

Día de los Muertos, Nov. 1 and 2, is an ancient folk tradition from Mexico that is celebrated in New Mexico. It is like the U.S. Memorial Day. Time is spent decorating graves and celebrating the lives of the deceased. Skeletons are created to mock death because there is no escaping it.

These skeletons depict the dead in their favorite activities. Music, art works and culinary delights are enjoyed when remembering the dearly departed.

The altar in honor of Hondo artist Luiz Jimenez at Ruidoso Public Library will be up through November. An *ofreda* (altar) for Jimenez was also in place recently at the Roswell Museum. I gave a *Día de los Muertps* presentation for Carrizozo 7th graders and again for the congregation at Santa Rita Catholic Church. Both groups were treated to *Pan de Muerto*, which I baked from a basic sweet dough recipe I developed.

This recipe can be used for the shaping of any bread design for a variety of holidays, not just *Día de los Muertos*. In a large bowl mix 2 cups flour, 3/4 cup sugar, 1 1/2 teaspoon salt, and 2 packages yeast. Add a stick of margarine (room temperature). Gradually add 1 1/2 cup very hot water. Beat two minutes with electric mixer. Scrape sides of bowl.

Add 2 eggs and 1 cup of flour and beat again to make a thick batter, Scrape sides of bowl. Add 2 more cups of flour and stir with a wooden spoon to make soft dough. Knead 8-10 minutes on lightly floured surface, using additional flour sparingly.

Place the dough in a greased bowl, cover with a cloth or paper towel. Let it sit in a warm area for about 1/2 hour. Punch dough down and divide into two portions. Each portion will be shaped into a skull and two bones.

Place on greased cookie sheets (do not let the pieces touch, allowing for each piece to rise to a larger size). Bake for 20-25 minutes (more if not browned enough) in a preheated 350° oven.

After the bread has cooled, top with white frosting and decorate with assorted colored candies.

THIS WEEKEND

It's here – the 20th annual Christmas Jubilee

It's never too early to start Christmas shopping, and Christmas shopping is never so enjoyable and convenient as it will be this weekend at Christmas Jubilee 2006, the annual shopping extravaganza presented by the Ruidoso Valley Greeters. Now in its 20th year, the Christmas Jubilee is the much- anticipated annual jump-start to the season – Lincoln County merchants pick out their finest holiday gift items and congregate at the Ruidoso Convention Center to create Ruidoso's own holiday marketplace.

This year's event is Fri.-Sun., Nov. 10-12. Shoppers can browse the booths of more than 80 merchants selling everything from fine art and toys to clothing and jewelry. Part of the appeal of the Jubilee, which draws more than 4,000 shoppers each day, has to do with placing so many different merchants under one roof.

Also, many of the vendors are representing home-based businesses that don't have a store front, so that brings hard-to-find merchandise to shoppers. And it only costs $1 to get in. Parking at the convention center is plentiful and free.

The Jubilee is also a child-friendly environment. There will be storytelling, and Santa Claus will be accepting visitors from until 4 p.m. Sat. and Sun.

You're sure to work up an appetite, so the Greeters will have set up a complete food court featuring the many wonderful culinary creations of local restaurants such as the unique sandwiches of Flatlanders Cafe, traditional Mexican food from Lucy's Mexicali Restaurant, and a variety of wonderful pies from The Pie Pantry.

The Jubilee is the first of the Festival of Lights events, which continue in November with the annual lighting of the Village, the Treasures of Sierra Blanca Art Show and the Nov. 30 Christmas in the Park, with the lighting of Christmas trees, holiday music and caroling, sleigh rides and, of course, visits with Santa.

Don't miss the annual Christmas Jubilee shopping extravaganza at the Ruidoso Convention Center

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Lincoln County

Art and Artifact • 107 S. Lincoln • Capitan • 354-2316.

Earthly Greens & Ran La Roca Glass • Lincoln, NM • Open 10-6, M-F • 800-386-7258 • Fine art fused glass "paintings."

Benson Fine Art • Off Hwy. 70 • San Patricio • 653-4081.

Fruit of the Trees Gallery • Hwy 380 in Lincoln • 653-4699.

Gallery 408 • 408 12th Street • Carrizozo • 505-648-2598 • Oils, photography, ceramics, collage, jewelry, pottery, baskets, etc. Special artist showings and musical events in their sculpture garden.

Georgia Stacy, Artist • Studio located on Nogal Canyon Road, in Nogal, NM • 505-354-4206 • Wood sculpture, doors, and home interior furnishings.

Grizzly's Bears • 2804 Sudderth • 257-3542 • Bears carved from tree trunks by chainsaw and other power tools.

Hondo Iris Farm and Gallery • Hwy 70, MM 284 in Old Hondo • Tuesday - Sunday: 10-5 • 653-4723.

Hondo Iris Farm Annex • Hwy 70, MM 286 • Tuesday - Sunday: 8-5. Free Jewelry Factory tours. 653-4062.

Hurd-La Rinconada Gallery • Off Hwy. 70 • San Patricio • 800-658-6912 • 653-4331.

James Mack Studio • 400 12th St. • Carrizozo • 648-5203.

J. Kiker Gallery • Hwy 70 MM 284 in Old Hondo • 653-4510 • Oil landscapes of New Mexico and the Hondo Valley.

Moondance Gallery • Central White Oaks • 648-2319 • Hand-crafted furniture, jewelry, traditional tinwork, Southwest artifacts.

White Oaks Pottery • 4 mi. NE of White Oak Township • Ivy Heymann • 648-2985 • Open 10 am - 5 pm, Closed on Thursday.

ZW's Gallery • Hwy 38 W, MM 4.75 (the road to Nogal) • 354-4263.

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The Adobe • 2905 Sudderth • 257-5795 • www.theadobefineart.com • Fne art, jewelry, decoratives.

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California Colors Art Gallery • 201 Country Club Dr. • 257-1964.

The Camel House • 1690 Hwy 70 East • Ruidoso Downs • 378-7065 • Prints, framing.

Classic Bronze Foundry • 610 E. Hwy. 70 • Ruidoso Downs • 378-1417 • Open M-F, 7:30-4 • Sculptures by Lincoln Fox, Sandy Scott, Angela Mia de la Vega. Paintings by members of Western Artists of America.

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Earth & Stone • 2117 Sudderth • 257-2768 • Pottery by Alan Miner. Thrown vessels, tableware, vessel sinks, platters, sculpted pieces. Watch the artist at work.

El Presidio Gallery • 1206 Mechem Dr. • 258-2225 • Fine art gallery representing original work by top painters, sculptors and mixed-media artists of the Southwest.

Galleria West • 2538 Sudderth • 257-4560 • Fine art, gifts, artisan jewelry, knives, fetishes.

GD Garrett Fine Art • 2306 Sudderth • 257-7695 • Studio and gallery of wildlife painter Gary Garrett.

Imagine That! Artful Living • Fine art gallery, books, gifts. The only authorized JD Challenger representative in southern NM and West Texas. Local artists' work, too. • Tuesday - Saturday, 10 - 5 • (505) 630-0444.

J. Mauritsen Studio • 624 Carrizo Canyon Rd. • 257-6348 • Wood carver transforms tree trunks into fine art, furniture.

Josie's Framery • 2917 Sudderth • 257-4156 • High quality, affordable & custom framing and local art.

Kindred Spirit • 2306 Sudderth • 257-3846

Linda's Custom Framing • 2701 Sudderth • 257-2585 • Quality framing at affordable prices

Many Moons Jewelry • 2501 Sudderth • 630-9201 • Hand-crafted silver.

McGary's Studio / Expressions in Bronze Gallery • 2002 Sudderth • 10 am - 5 pm, Monday - Saturday • 257-1000 • Gallery and finishing studio for world-renown bronze artist famous for Native American figures.

Mountain Arts Gallery • 2530 Sudderth • 257-9748 • Southwest art, prints & originals, pottery, custom framing. Resident artist: Teri Sodd.

Picture This Gallery • 2621 Sudderth • 630-0003 • Prints and framing.

Piñon Pottery • 3 miles east of Wal-Mart on Hwy 70 • Ruidoso Downs • 378-4270 • (800) 378-4275 • Studio & gallery of Vicki Conley, also shows work by other locals. Thrown pottery and sculpted ceramic for architectural accents.

RRCA Art Center & Gallery • 1712 Sudderth • 257-7272 • Home of the Ruidoso Regional Arts Council, displaying original works by artists based in Lincoln County and Mescalero. • M-F, 9-3 or by appointment

Rainwaters • 2313 Sudderth • 257-8727 • Gifts, jewelry, candles & collectibles.

Studio-W • 1311 Mechem • 258-1117 • www.Studio-W.com • 10 am - 6 pm, Wed - Sat; 12 - 6 pm, Sun; Closed Mon & Tue• Representing more than 100 artists showing more than 500 pieces.

White Dove Gallery• 2825 Sudderth, Ste. A • 257-6609 or 866-257-6609 • Specializing in Native American jewelry, art, pottery and kachinas. Open daily since 1988.

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The Zuni • 2621 Sudderth • (800) 275-4908 • 257-2440.

Mescalero

Jordan T. Gallery • 464-2338 • Carrizo Canyon Rd. at the Mescalero Inn • Featuring Mescalero Apache fine art (paintings, sculpture and crafts) and other work by Mescalero artists.

N'de Fine Arts Gallery • U.S. Hwy 70 (milemarker 244.2) • 464-2114 • Featuring: Apache fine arts including paintings in oil and acrylics.

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David H. Townsend Library Gallery • New Mexico State University-Alamogordo campus, 2400 Scenic Dr. • 439-3650 • Sun. - Fri. • Monthly exhibit.

Eagle Ranch Art Gallery • 7288 U.S. Hwy 54/70, between Alamogordo and Tularosa • 434-0035 • 8 a.m. - 6 p.m. daily • Monthly exhibits by variety of local and regional artists. Marianne and George Schweers, proprietors.

The Nut House • 32 Ivy Lane, La Luz. • Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. - 5:30 p.m., Saturday - Sunday, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Lunch served 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. • 437-6889 • Original paintings, prints, pottery, jewelry, bronze sculpture by local artists.

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Tularosa

Adobe Daubers Arts & Crafts Gallery • 275-B Central Ave. • 585-2084.

Coffee & More at Tularosa Dry Goods, 308 Granado Street, Tularosa. • 8am - 5:30pm Mon., Wed., Thurs.-Sat.; 10 am - 4:30 pm Sunday • 585-4575 • Rotating art exhibit.

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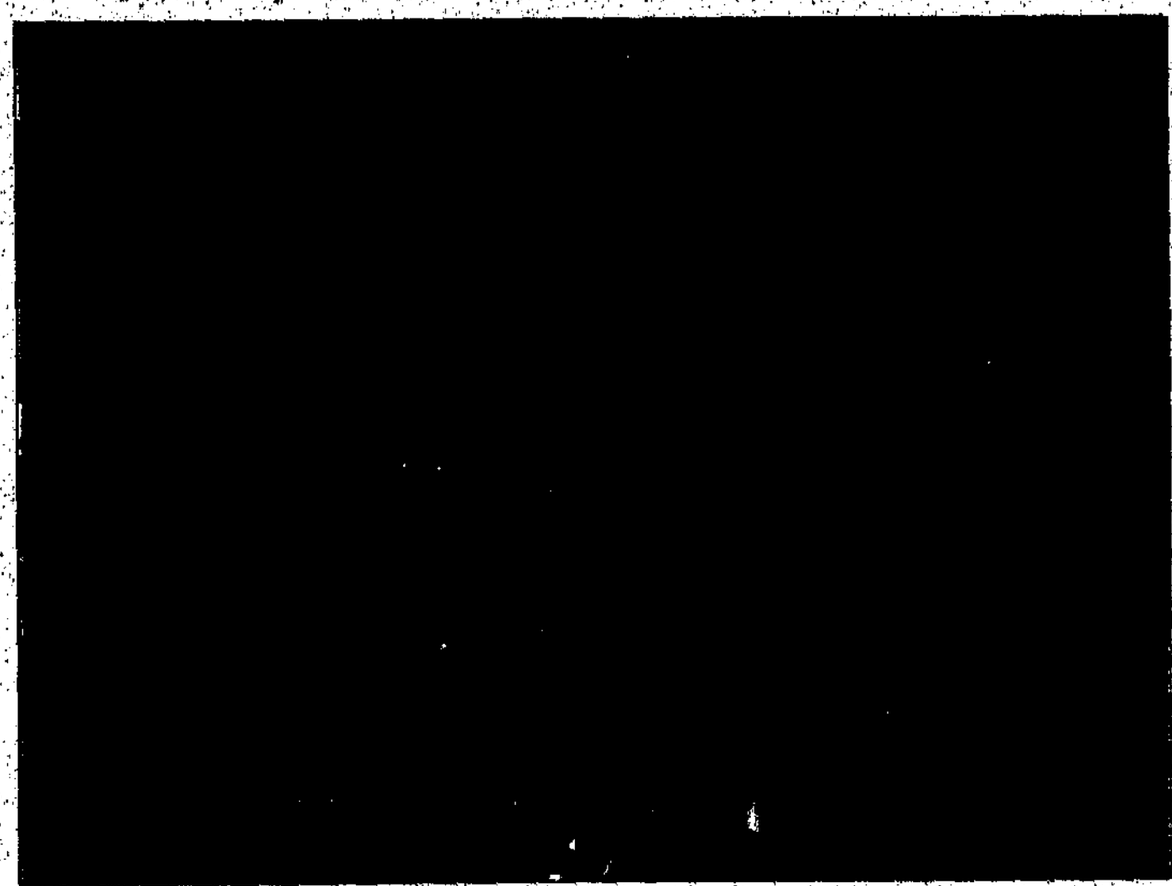
Cloudcroft

Bear Track • 502 Burro Ave. • 682-3046 • Native American art &crafts, gifts.

Cloudcroft Art Society • Community Center/Library (Red Brick Schoolhouse), corner of Swallow Place and Burro Ave. • 687-3176 • Members' artwork, programs, meetings, workshops.



Spirituality Through Art" exhibit at the Eagle Ranch Art Gallery, at 7288 U.S. Hwy 54/70 between Alamogordo and Tularosa.

Cloudcroft Pottery, 502A Burro Ave. • 10am - 5pm • 682-3321 • Functional stoneware and raku. Don and Donna Ellis, proprietors.

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ARTIST SKETCH

Darlene Camus

Darlene Camus, currently residing in Alto, was born in Virginia and spent most of her working life in a busy jurisdiction in Maryland bordering the District of Columbia. After obtaining college and law degrees, Camus practiced law in the federal and state courts of Maryland with her now husband, Ned, specializing in corporate, negligence, medical malpractice, and death-eligible criminal cases.

She taught law enforcement courses at the college level, courtroom tactics at the Prince George's County Police Academy, and life skills classes to female inmates. In 1985, she accepted a judicial appointment to Maryland's highest state trial bench, where she served until 1999, when she retired and moved to New Mexico to pursue her long-time love of painting and writing.

"We were looking for a much slower pace, less traffic, better weather, less crime and a more peaceful existence," Camus said. "We looked at Colorado, Arizona, Santa Fe, Albuquerque, and were headed for Silver City next, when we decided to check out an ad in the *New Mexico Magazine* for Ranches of Sonterra. It was pouring rain the day we looked at the property, the mountains were socked in with fog, and we couldn't see much, but it felt like home. There was an enormous elk standing in the middle of the tract when the realtor showed it to us, so we bought the place.

"The next day was a beautiful New Mexico day. We went out to take a second look at our property. There was the most incredible breath-taking view of Sierra Blanca. We knew we were home. (That view is now solidly framed in our living room windows)."

Camus takes art classes at ENMU and instruction from local artists to improve her work. She has written, illustrated, and published a book for children of the southwest titled *You Can't Be a Cowboy – Your Hat's Too Big*, copies of which are available at Josie's Framery, Ruidoso Library, at authorhouse.com, and at darcam80@valornet.com for signed copies. Sequels are in production.

Camus continues to paint and write in her home studio in Sonterra. She prefers to work in bright, primary colors.

Her paintings of colorful, whimsical roosters done on pine planks, and some of her other works may be seen at the Treasures of the Sierra Blanca art exhibition at the Convention Center on Thanksgiving weekend.

"New Mexico is the perfect place for an artist, with the beautiful cloudscapes, mountains, the desert, the beautiful animals and birds, the incredible weather, the old adobe buildings and the quiet peace. I look forward every spring to the return of the hummingbirds and swallows, which seem to be everywhere in town." The artist recently completed a large work in oil titled "Swallows Nest in the Old Red Barn," which may also be seen at the Thanksgiving weekend art show.

Visit Darlene at the Treasures of the Sierra Blanca Art Show Nov. 24-25.

COURTESY DARLENE CAMUS

"Our entire family is still back east. We love to visit and get our kid/hug fix, but then we are off again for home. We are definitely New Mexicans now. We love this place."
Darlene enjoys recounting her "tenderfoot easterner stories" which go something like this:
"...Then there was the what-is-that-smell incident... At the end of the first summer we lived here, we noticed that everywhere we went, there was this burning tobacco sort of smell (they grow that in Maryland) that we were unable to identify. Some kind of native ceremony? The world's biggest marijuana smoke-in? (They have those in Maryland, too. They are called 'rock concerts.') Finally, one day we tracked it to one of those round roasters in front of Wal-Mart full of roasting green chiles, bought some, and became instantly addicted."

Calls for Artists

Artists for Art in the Pines

The 3rd annual Art in the Pines artists' studio tour will be held June 16-17, 2007. All resident artists in Ruidoso/Ruidoso Downs are invited to participate. For application, send SASE to Art in the Pines, P.O. Box 1001, Ruidoso, NM 88355, or drop by Josie's Framery. Deadline for entry is November 30, 2006.

Poetry submissions

New Mexico Poetry Magazine is [illegible]

In twelfth year, this regional, self-guided studio tour has become a Lincoln County tradition. Up to forty artists will be accepted for next summer's grand event. Details regarding participation plus an application form may be downloaded at www.[illegible].org or they can be obtained from Joy Brown at 378-8275. Submission must be postmarked on or before December 15th, 2006.

Artists and Entertainers

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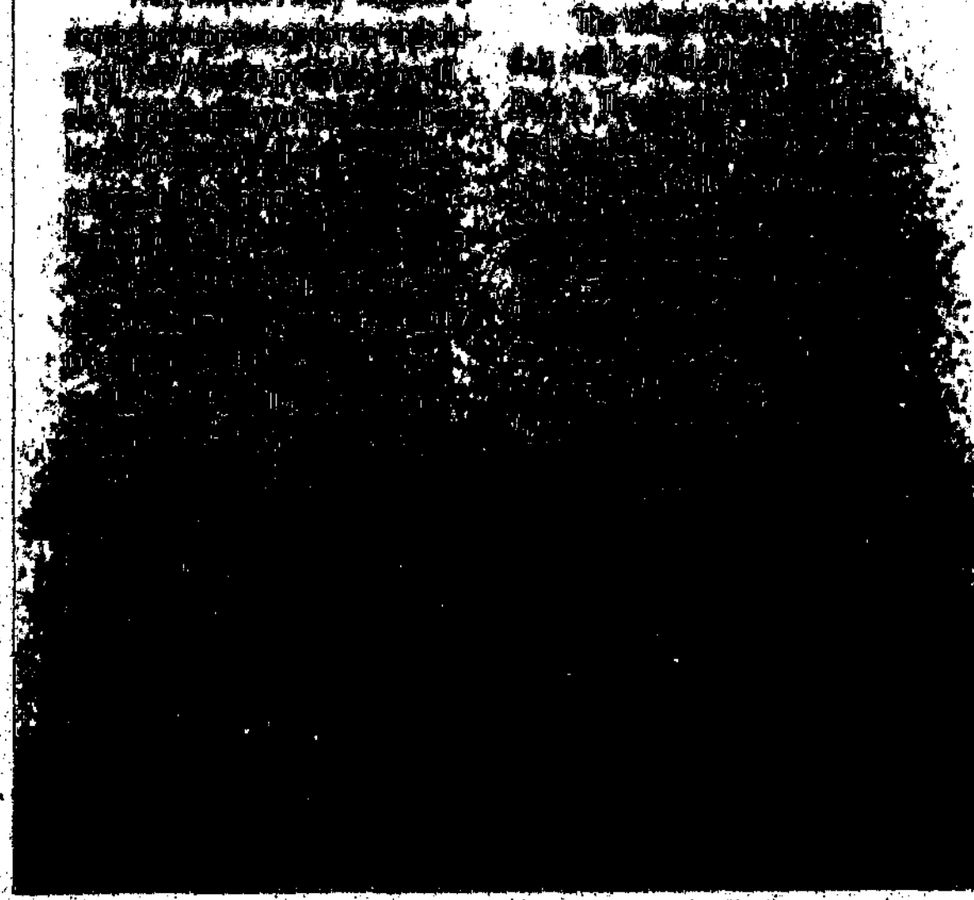

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CHARMING 3 BR. SIERRA BLANCA VIEW HOME!

This home is perfectly placed on a large, level lot with nice views! Full golf membership. Built-in fireplace. Double garage & great doggie run. Super Alto offering under $300k! Won't last long! **$285,000. #17426**

LIGHT-FILLED, OPEN CONCEPT 3 BR. ALTO HOME!

This one level on the 8th hole has a spectacular Sierra Blanca view and a pleasing and fanciful, contemporary interior. Fully furnished and fun with a full-golf membership! **$425,000. #16975**

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Spacious 4 br., 4 1/2 ba. full-golf membership home is appealing in every way. Quiet cul-de-sac setting. 2 master suites & 2 living areas. Marvelous kitchen and patio area. Fabulous fairway views from this very prestigious home! **$749,500. #17496**

FULL-GOLF ALTO 3 BR. HOME WITH CHARMING CHALET FLAVOR

Beautiful area in Alto and Sierra Blanca view too! New septic system, metal roof, natural gas furnace & deck! Luggage & grocery lift for your convenience. Great price! Great Alto offering under $270K. **$269,500. #17316**

ALTO 3 BR., 2 BA. FULL-GOLF HOME UNDER $280K!

This attractive open-concept home is light-filled and cheerful! Vaulted ceilings, large deck for entertaining. Beautiful wooded lot! Won't last long! **$259,500. #16516**

***"As long-time members of Alto Lakes Golf and Country Club** we can certainly attest to the many enjoyable times that our family has enjoyed at this fine facility. Richard has served on the numerous Alto committees for many years, and we have enjoyed watching the club grow. It's reasonable dues structure and the beautiful amenities make Alto a place you'll want to be.*

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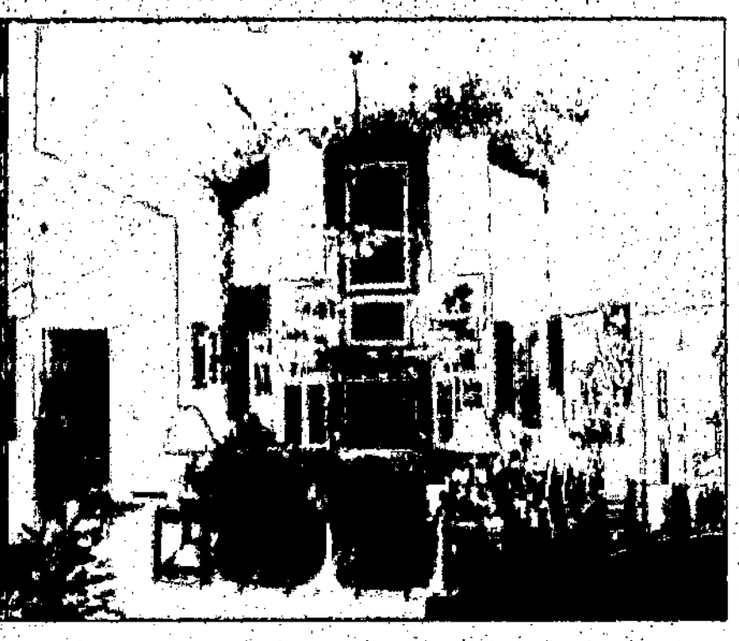
— Richard and Janis

AMAZING ALTO FULL-GOLF MTN. HOME!

5 brs. and a living area & a den make for luxurious Alto living. Superb Sierra Blanca & Capitan views. Exquisite furnishings included. Excellent floor plan. Wonderful deck. Comfortable & elegant! **$865,000.** #17313

ALTO MOUNTAIN CONTEMPORARY IN GORGEOUS SETTING!

A 1 acre lot with big views is perfect for this 4 br., 4 ba. full-golf home with 2 masters and 2 living areas. Double garage plus one for the golf cart! Fabulous low-maintenance deck. 2 cozy fireplaces for warmth and ambiance. **$798,500.** #17437



AMAZING 4 BR. ALTO STUCCO IN PARK-LIKE SETTING!

Light-filled, open concept w/ vaulted wood ceilings. Large garage, storage & exercise room. Hobby room has California closets. Lovely master suite, wonderful deck, and great furniture. 2 adjacent lots available! **$499,500.** #16673

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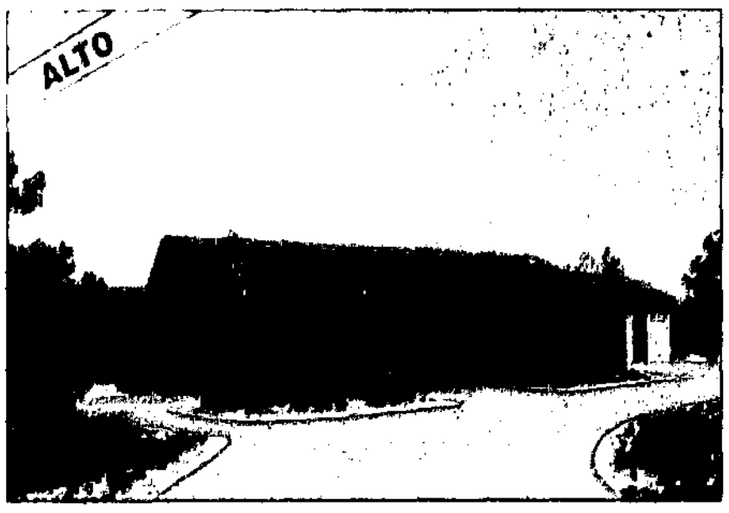
ATTRACTIVE, SPACIOUS AND WELL-PLANNED FAMILY HOME

Wonderful window package. View of Sierra Blanca. 1.96 Acres, full golf lot. Fabulous study and game room w/ adjacent hot tub room downstairs. 4 br. and 4 ½ ba. to accommodate everyone! A delightful home in every way. Great price per sq.ft.! **$695,000.** #14855



ATTRACTIVE 4 BR. ONE-LEVEL ALTO HOME

Great views of Sierra Blanca enhance this Alto beauty w/ open concept and lovely tile floors. You'll love the courtyard too... sit back & enjoy luxury mtn. living in Alto! **$399,500.** #17302

PREMIER ALTO FULL-GOLF, FAIRWAY LOT

Enjoy the spectacular views from this Alto lot on the #12 signature hole. Buildable, beautiful and perfectly located! Also available is an undivided ½ interest in adjacent lot 20. **$139,500.** MLS#15948

CHARMING ONE-LEVEL ALTO HOME. UNDER $310 K!

Perfectly placed on a ½ acre lot in Deer Park Woods! This 3/2 is light-filled and is accented by a beautiful river rock fireplace. Full golf too. Desirable and well-priced! **$308,500.** #16068

CONTEMPORARY ALTO STUCCO ON FAIRWAY!

This full-golf architectural beauty has a super open-concept plan with wonderful fairway views. Master has its own fireplace and "his and her baths"! Wet bar w/ ice maker. Close to clubhouse too! **$449,500.** #16767

GREAT 4 BR. ALTO HOME W/ 2 MEMBERSHIPS!

This beautifully remodeled home is bright and cheery and sits on 2 lots. Two living areas, 2 fireplaces and a bonus room make this home very desirable! Situated on 2 lushly wooded Alto lots; one is a social; the other is a full golf membership. Great home **$325,000.** #15435

4 BR., 4 BA. ONE-LEVEL ALTO TOWNHOUSE

What an excellent unit! You'll love the one-level floor plan, lovely Capitan views, and close proximity to the Alto golf course. Full golf too. Very desirable! **$369,500.** #16009

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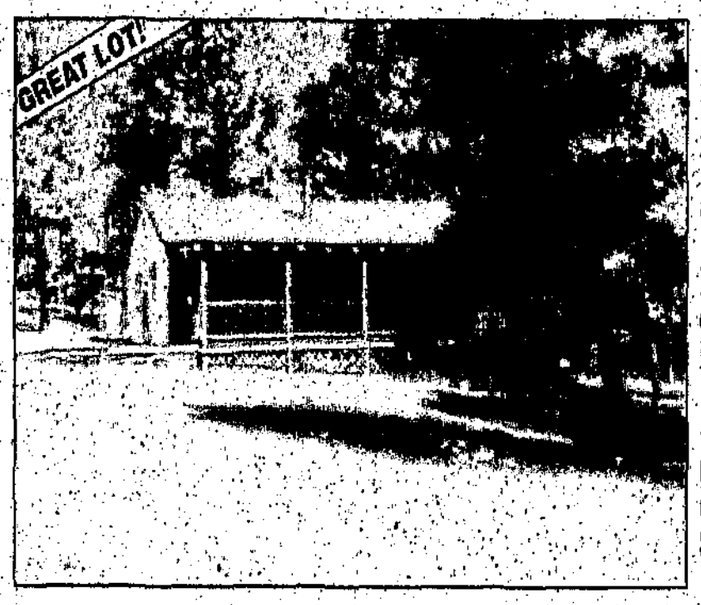
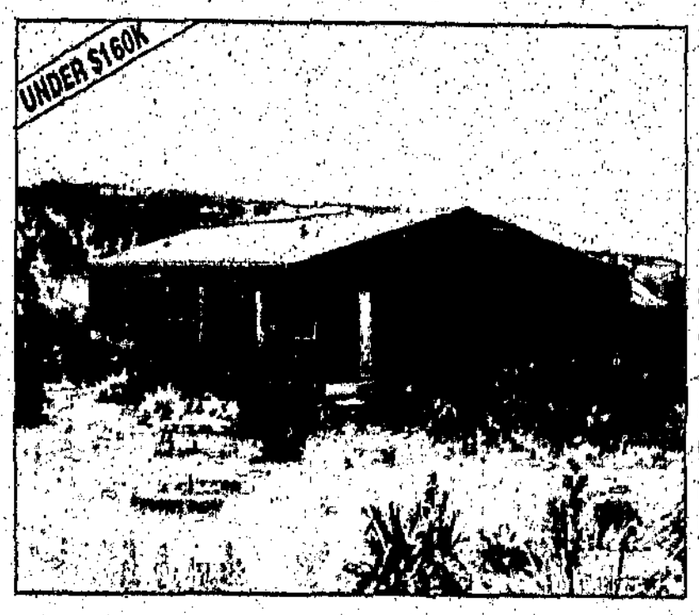
ELEGANT STUCCO WITH SUN-SPLASHED INTERIORS!

This amazing 4 br., 3 ½ ba. has quality features throughout. Radiant heat, granite countertops, and Sub-Zero fridge to name a few. Appealing in every way. Fabulous gourmet kitchen... elegant, warm, & charming. **$595,000.** #15733



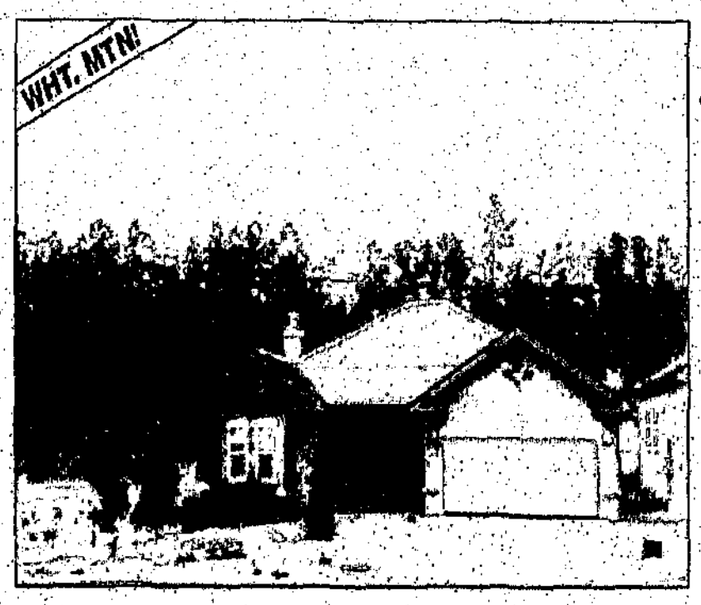
REMODELED TO PERFECTION!

This 2 br. / 2 ba. home has a lovely location and is beautifully remodeled. You'll love the open - concept, one - level plan that is enhanced by this fresh re-do. Great porch for enjoying our beautiful mountain climate. Very desirable! Easy Access. **$190,000.** #17956



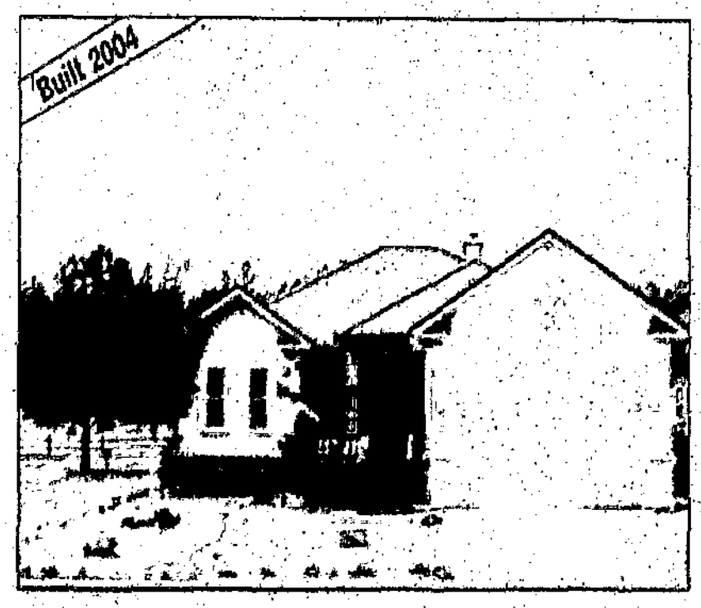
GREAT 3 BR., 2 BA. HOME ON .377 ACRES!

Enjoy country living at a super price. Custom deck and wonderful back yard. A nice home for a permanent family or vacation getaway. Must see at this price!... **$159,000.** MLS#16429



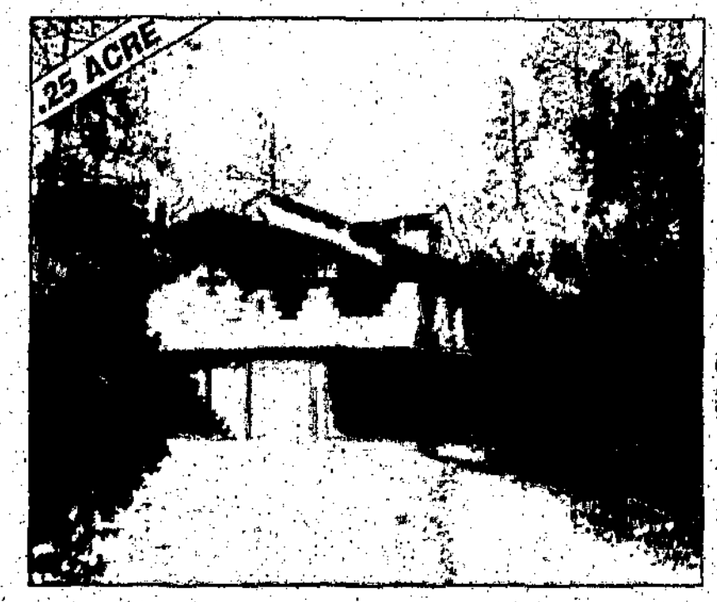
BEAUTIFUL 2004 STUCCO WITH ATTRACTIVE LANDSCAPING

A marvelous one-level 3 br., 2 ba. home with custom interior and cozy fireplace. Wonderful setting in the Meadows. Solid surface countertops. Stainless steel appliances. Very desirable!! **$289,000.** #17104



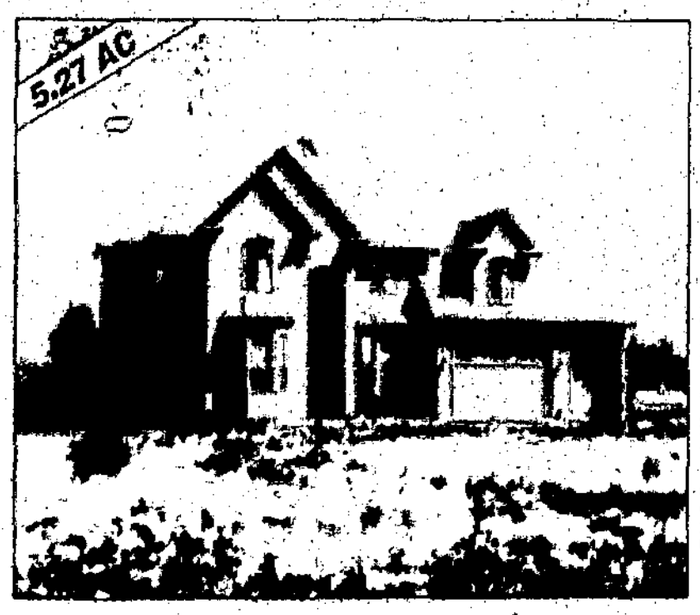
ATTRACTIVE WHITE MTN. MEADOWS STUCCO

Overlooking the meadow is this great 3 br., 2 ba. with custom features and a wonderful deck for summer evening grilling and enjoying the mountain air. 2 car garage, fenced back yard, and lovely kitchen. Great location too! **$264,900.** #16380



GREAT STUCCO HOME CENTRALLY LOCATED IN RUIDOSO

Enjoy the valley views & Kiva fireplace from a delightful deck. This 3 br., 2 ba. home is situated on .25 of an acre. Great master suite w/ fireplace. Nice setting. **$329,500.** #17324



CUSTOM-BUILT HOME WITH 5+ ACRES!

The views are spectacular from this 4 br., 5 ba. Sonterra home. 2 dining areas and 2 living areas make for truly comfortable living. 3 fireplaces, hot tub and upscaled kitchen. Fully furnished and dreamy! **$799,000.** #17045

TALL PINES SURROUND THIS CHARMING CABIN

This 2 br home captures the essence of mountain living. Warm, wood interior. Fully furnished and centrally located. One level and a 2-car garage w/ workshop. Very livable! **$239,500.** #17057

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BRIGHT, OPEN AND CHEERY CAPITAN HOME!

This 3 br. home has lofty ceilings, a great room & large kitchen. Fully insulated workshop. 2 car garage. Lots of great features and 4.35 acres! **$324,900**. #15929

GREAT 3 BR. AT A SUPER PRICE!

This attractive 1-level home has many desirable features: level access for convenience, great deck for enjoying the outdoors, partially fenced & city utilities too! Storage and shop building are a real bonus! All this for a mere **$150,000!** #17569

ATTRACTIVE 2 BR. IN THE TALL PINES!

A winning floor plan in a beautiful setting! Great open concept. Wonderful deck for enjoyable dining or just relaxing. Nice rock fireplace... for a cozy interior. Low maintenance siding & metal roof. A winner! **$159,500**. #17350

ENJOY A BEAUTIFUL WOODLAND SETTING!

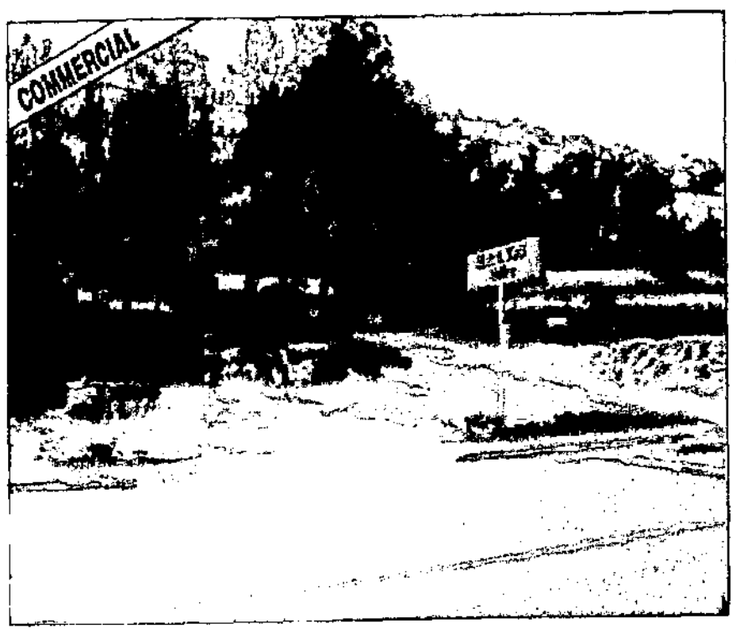
Just bring your suitcase and toothbrush... this cute 3 br. is even furnished! One-level is so nice and a fireplace for a really cozy feel. Carport too! **$175,000**. #17442

ALTO 3 BR. CHALET ON BEAUTIFULLY WOODED LOT

This one-owner full golf Alto home has a wonderful deck surrounded by tall pines. The living area is accented by a rock fireplace and expansive windows. Circular drive for easy access. **$295,000**. #17439

SPACIOUS 6 BR., 6 ½ BA. CONDO IN BEAUTIFUL SETTING!

This unit has a fabulous Sierra Blanca view. It has been updated, and is fully furnished. Great for friends and family or 2 families! Super game room too! **$269,500**. #16645



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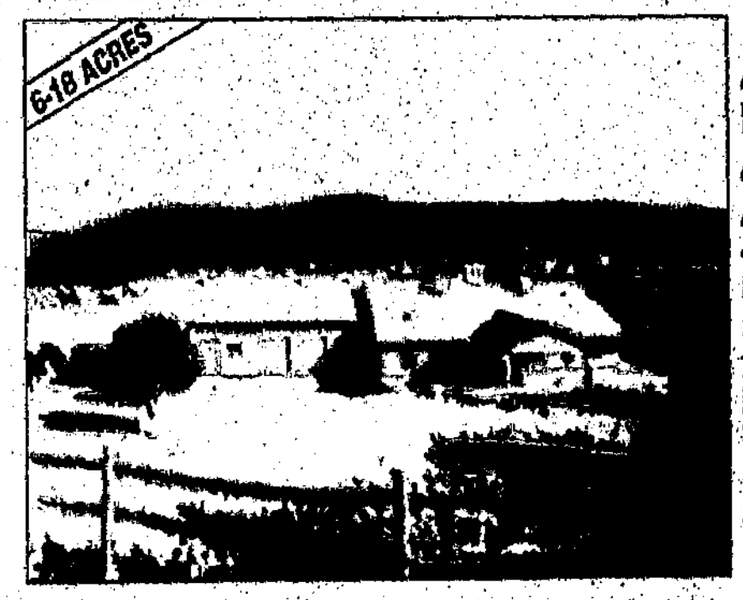
ELEGANT 3 BR. STUCCO SITUATED ON 5 AC. W/ VIEWS!
Luscious interior w/ beautiful tile floors, expansive windows, and lofty ceilings. 3 ½ baths. Fabulous views of the Capitans and Sonterra Valley. Upscale features throughout. Gourmet kitchen will WOW you! This home is appealing in every way! **$649,500. #15265**



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ENJOY THE SIERRA BLANCA VIEW!
You'll be delighted with this 3 bedroom, 2 ba. featuring vaulted ceilings and spacious decks. Nice neighborhood. Easy access. Double garage and hot tub too! Super views! **$289,500 #16806**

COZY 2 BEDROOM ON .842 ACRES!
You'll love the green space here... and horses are allowed! Potential & room for conversion for additional bedrooms. Nice Capitan views! Secluded and elbow room! Won't last long. **$159,500. #17374**

COZY 3 BR, 2 BA HAS A FENCED BACK YARD!
This one-level home is conveniently arranged and well-kept. It has a new metal roof and a really attractive rock fireplace. Single car garage too! Clean and cute ... won't last long. **$155,000. #16712**

CLOSE TO SHOPPING AND THE RIO RUIDOSO!
This clean and cute 2 bd. 14x56 mobile home is a real opportunity at this price. You'll love the "Timber - Tech" like decking... so easy to care for. **$74,000. #M16949**

CHARMING ONE-LEVEL ON CREE MEADOWS!
This 3 br., 2 ba. home is centrally located in a super neighborhood. Fenced back yard, great front porch, and golf course views! Custom crown molding adds a really nice touch to interior. **$315,000. #16825**

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AMAZING ALTO GOLF LOT

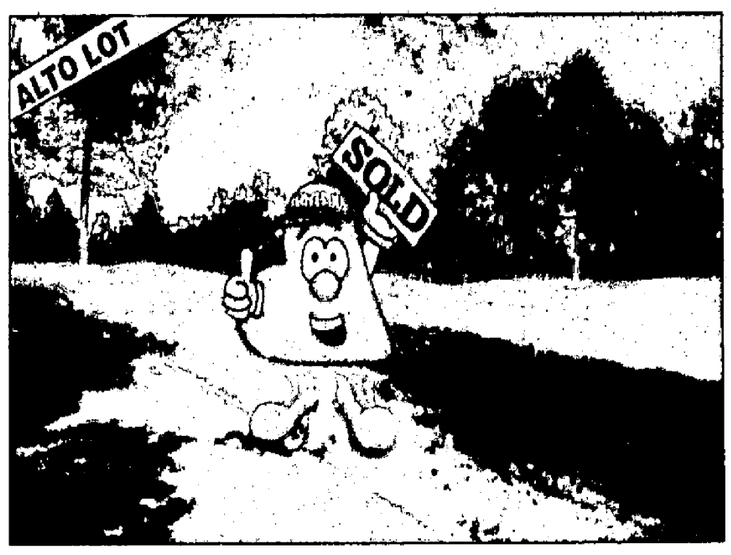
Located between the 17th green and the 18th tee box. This wonderful lot which is approx. .90 of an acre is a builder's dream. The views are fabulous. A must see! **$250,000**. #15213

LOVELY 4 BR. WHITE MTN HOME

Spacious and spectacular! Luxuriate in the spacious environment of this custom home. Beautiful 2-sided copper fireplace, wet bar, and attractive landscaping. This great floor plan with its sun-splashed interior will win your heart! **$387,500**. #16376

ENCHANTING, CUSTOM MOUNTAIN CONTEMPORARY!

A day spent in this fabulous 4 br. w/ charming courtyard and amazing Sierra Blanca view will feed the soul and calm the spirit. Impeccably designed and decorated. Fully furnished. Beautiful gourmet kitchen. Expansive window pkg. Integrates the astonishing landscape with a delightful interior. **$939,000**. #17457



GREAT FULL GOLF MEMBERSHIP LOT ON #11

Very buildable!! Wooded mountain views. Located on the golf course!! Very nice!!! Construction plans w/ contract. **$198,500**. #12089

GRACIOUS WHITE MTN. MEADOWS HOME ON QUIET CUL-DE-SAC!

This 5 bd., 3 ½ ba. home is located on a beautiful .382 acre lot. Lovely home in a great location. Wonderful kitchen-dining area. Fabulous porch! **$325,000**. #16396

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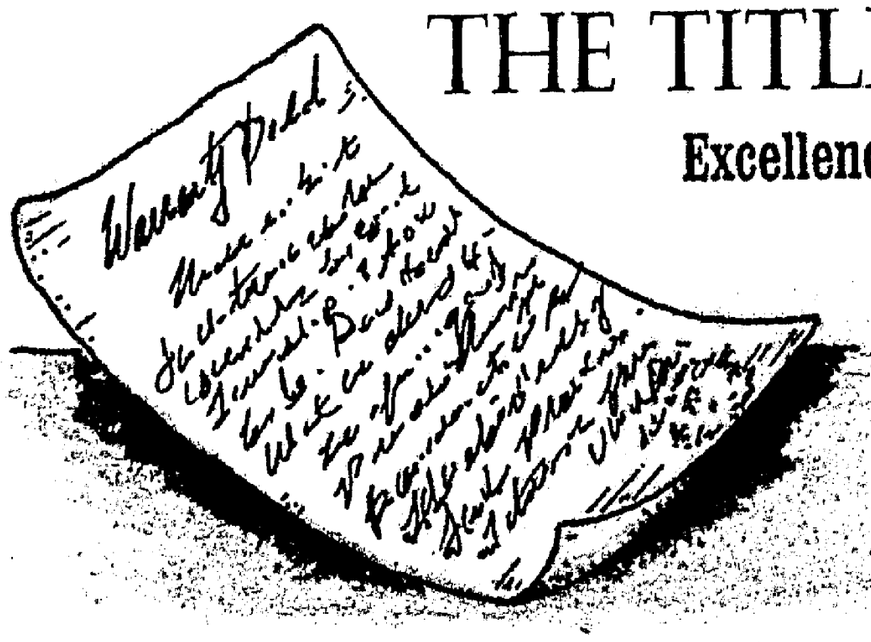
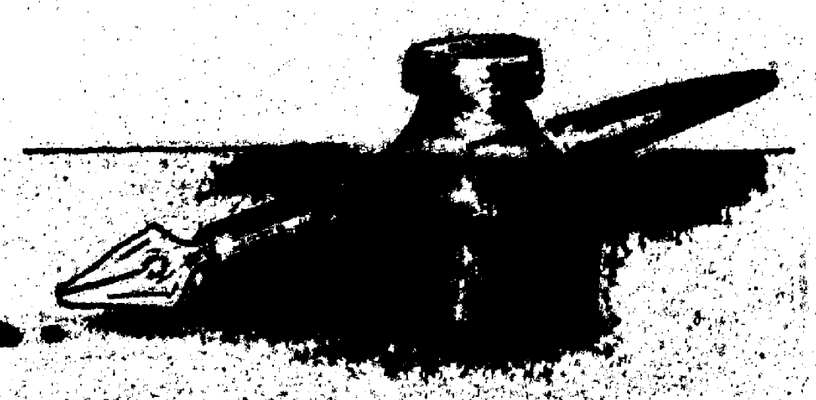
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