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COURTESY HUMANE SOCIETY

Two temporary residents of the animal shelter operated by the Humane Society of Lincoln County implore visitors to stop and consider them for adoption.

'Share the care' Humane Society seeks members

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A roster of dedicated members means the difference between the Humane Society of Lincoln County struggling to exist or being able to provide hope to abandoned, relinquished or lost pets for a healthy future in the care of a loving family.

Officials with the society, who operate an animal shelter on Gavilan Canyon Road, kicked off a membership drive Jan. 26 called "Share the Care" to encourage past and current members to sign up for another year and to bring in new members and donors.

"A humane society is only as good, and can do the job only as well, as the community that supports it," said Kim Doner, HSLC executive director. "I'm very sincere when I tell people it is their humane society.

"We see more than 1,300 animals at the shelter annually. We have what I consider a phenomenal adoption rate for a

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Police, fire receive salary boost

■ Ruidoso Village Council sees higher wages as a solution to vacancy rates in departments

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In a strong show of support for employees in the Ruidoso Police Department and Fire Department, village councilors Tuesday approved increasing salaries there to 110 percent of market, with no cap.

They stressed they hope the increases that range individually from 9.54 percent to 43.10 percent in the police department will provide sufficient incentive to bring new people to the area to fill nine vacancies and keep good officers on board.

The impact until the end of the fiscal year, June 30, will be $130,216.

In the fire department, the range of increase goes from 7.96 percent to 64.11 percent for an impact of $186,507 until the end of the fiscal year.

Another motion rejected

Councilors rejected a motion by Councilor James Stoddard to spend another $88,000 toward increases that would bring employees in other departments financed through the general fund up to 100 percent of market. Voting for the motion were Stoddard and Councilor Ron Hardeman. Voting against it were Councilors Michele Rebstock, Angel Shaw, Don Williams and Greg Cory.

Shaw said she wants to confer with Ruth Ann Eledge, the consultant from The Waters Consulting Group, who performed a salary comparison study with the aim of bringing village employees to par or better with similar communities.

The councilor contended that the comparisons already factor in training and length of service in setting salary ranges for specific jobs.

Village Human Resource Director Debbie Rogge said she used an entry level figure set by Eledge for each employee position, then added in appropriate percentages for training and for length of service to come up with recommended salary increases.

"My concern in reviewing the sheets provided is that some people are not going to get enough of an increase and a few will receive too much of an increase," Rebstock said later.

The salaries of a few positions, such as village finance director, were said by Eledge during a workshop with councilors to be at 85 percent to 87 percent of market, but were listed on the recom-

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Downs judge files complaint against city

■ Accusations of perjury, impropriety fly

DEANNA CHENEY
For the Ruidoso News

RUIDOSO DOWNS – Delivering on an oft-threatened promise, Ruidoso Downs Municipal Court Judge Harrold Mansell has filed a complaint against the city in 12th Judicial District Court seeking injunctive relief from "irreconcilable matters."

In so doing, Mansell has reopened a mistrust that has existed between his office and the legislative and executive departments of the government for more than four years.

Mansell accuses city managers with interfering in personnel matters of the court, neglecting budgetary procedures and protocol, ignoring requests of the court and with providing inadequate facilities in which to conduct court business.

Wednesday, City Manager John Waters described the suit as without merit, noting that Judge Mansell has, on numerous occasions, "issued various threats and accusations" to himself, to Mayor Bob Miller, and to councilors.

Not the first time

"He has complained before about the disrespect he thinks he has been shown by staff, and about not getting ordinances or notices on time," Waters said. "He has several 'perceived wrongs, none of which we haven't tried to address."

Waters said Mansell's claim that the city has "failed to find proper accommodations" for Municipal Court is wrong.

"In 2004 he was offered more space than he has now that could be dedicated solely for court purposes," Waters explained. "It was a building we already owned and even had its own parking but what he wanted was to rent one of two other locations that he had in mind."

In turning down the city's counter-offer for new space, Mansell requested proof "where council disapproved of the two locations proposed." Then, on July 26, he appeared before the council indicating that the proposed site "might work," afterall.

"Then I followed up with them in November, declining the trailer house because I felt that the restroom would be an issue like the building itself because it did not conform with the Americans With Disabilities Act. I felt that it would cost too much to make it a proper court," Mansell told the *Ruidoso News*.

"Also, my court clerk felt that it would be unsafe as she often is the only one in court offices dealing with people from the public who aren't always happy."

Mansell said that as he wait-

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Downs sewer rates to increase

■ City manager cites increased WWTP costs

DEANNA CHENEY
For the Ruidoso News

RUIDOSO DOWNS – An increase in sewer rates that could rise as high as 15 percent over the next three to four years may be in store for residents of Ruidoso Downs. Councilors meeting in special session Feb. 2 said an increase is inevitable and should be considered in view of long range projections and changes to federal regulations.

City Attorney Dan Bryant described the increase as a "bitter pill no matter how you swallow it" but advised that incremental hikes make more sense than 'benign neglect.'"

"It's the time-value of money at work," he said. "The sooner you get it and put it to work for you the better off everyone is in the long run."

John Waters, city manager,

"It's a bitter pill no matter how you swallow it."

Dan Bryant
City attorney

reported to Council that wastewater rates must increase "to keep up with what the city currently is being billed by our neighbors." He was referring to the Village of Ruidoso, which has fiscal authority over operations at the joint-use Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant.

"The costs at the plant are accelerating and we are at the end of our six-year billing," he said. "We have some issues we may want to discuss with the

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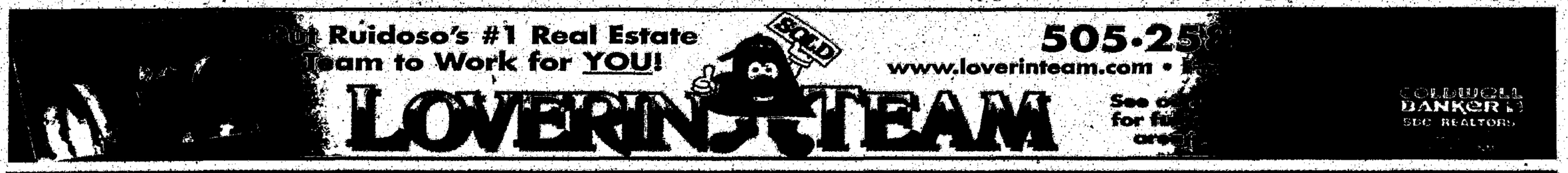

EAGLE EYE

On Feb. 3, Mary E. Prudencio, business manager for Hondo Valley Public Schools, was on her way to see the Hondo Eagles play against Mountainair in basketball when she spotted this real eagle near Claunch. "What luck," she writes, "for us to see an eagle on the way to the game."

Dog sought

Officials with the Humane Society of Lincoln County are trying to capture a Rottweiler, seen running loose in the NM 48-Ski Run Road area.

The dog was hit twice and was limping, but traps set to help capture him and ensure he receives treatment and care were stolen.

"It's extremely frustrating," said Kim Doner, society executive director. "I don't know if someone thought they were helping him or didn't like us, but they did not do a service to the dog."

About 30 people are feeding the canine hobo. Some have tried unsuccessfully to contain him for the shelter and attempts to dart him with a sedative failed, she said.

"So food is not the problem, but being hit on the highway or contracting a disease are risks," she said. "One day he will be hit and will not get up. It's important we bring him in."

In general if a person sees a dog on the loose and fears approaching the animal may drive it into a road, Doner suggested calling the dog and then walking away. Many will follow, especially if a person has food for a lure. But approaching them often results in the animals instinctively moving away, she said.

Food Bank news

"You would have thought he won the lottery," one of the volunteers at the Lincoln County Food Bank said, as she watched a man accept a box of food that should last for two weeks.

On top of that, the man was allowed to choose his own dessert.

The "acting dad" is a single guy, who is out of work and out of money, but is helping put food on the table for the grandmother of a 5-year-old boy abandoned by his mother. The grandmother lives only on Social Security.

The volunteer said the story is a familiar one in the county.

In 2006, the Food Bank served 2,256 local individuals of all ages, families and individuals. More were served in the past, until a 2005 policy change limited aid to county residents. People from neighboring counties now are redirected to other community food distribution facilities in the county of residence, but no one is turned away completely empty handed, said volunteer Ray Alborn.

Established in 1986, the Lincoln County Food Bank, which operates out of a building in the St. Eleanor's Catholic Community complex, 120 Junction Rd., is an independent, all-volunteer, nonprofit organization with the sole mission of feeding hungry people. It accepts no money from the state or federal government.

The bank is open from noon to 4 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

The group shouldn't be confused with Christian Services of Lincoln County, a faith-based organization affiliated with Gateway Church of Christ providing disaster support and emergency shelter services.

Forty-one percent of those benefiting from the Food Bank come from households that have one employed adult. Most do not receive government assistance, although most children participate in the public schools' free lunch program.

For more information about how to donate or volunteer, contact Alborn at 257-5823.

A letter of thanks to the community

Losing a loved one is always so hard and devastating, and when we lost our innocent baby grandson, we thought we would never get through it. But with the help of a lot of people, we are doing just that.

We would like to take this time and say thank you to everyone that was there for us in our time of need. Jennifer Becker at the hospital, you were awesome. Mandy Sodd, for EVERYTHING you did at the hospital, home and for the services. You are truly one of a kind. Thank you so much to the Ruidoso Police Department.

My co-workers at OFCU, Ruidoso Ford, Noisy Waters Screen Printing and Embroidery, Flamingo softball club, Ruidoso Parks and Rec, Billy and Patsy Page, Victor and Patty Montes, Mrs. Stierwalt and for everyone that called, sent cards and flowers and that brought food by. You will forever be in our hearts.

Thanks to Danny and Shauna Sisson at LaGrone for trying to ease the pain and giving our grandson a very beautiful service.

With much love and appreciation,
John and Tress Ramos and Family

BART YOUNG MONTH

DIANNE STALLINGS/STAFF

Bart Young, foreground, was recognized by Ruidoso Village councilors for his contributions to the village over the years. They declared February "Bart Young Appreciation Month." As a volunteer, Young served with the Retired Senior Volunteer Program since 1995, on the Keep Ruidoso Beautiful Committee since 1999, on the Parks and Recreation Board, the Public Library board and helped put together the village hall newsletter. He spent 10 years as coordinator for the Lincoln County Senior Olympics, works with the Senior Land & River Rovers, participates in maintenance at the Senior Center, with the development of the Kidz Konnection park and during annual community and river clean-up programs. In back, Susan Lutterman, chairman of the beautification committee, enumerates Young's contributions. Next to Bart is his wife, Mary.

CORRECTION

In an article appearing in Wednesday's paper on infrastructure improvements at the Hubbard Museum of the American West it was erroneously noted that "Carol Carter" of the Smithsonian Institution wrote museum staff on a job well done. The official's name is Harold Closter.

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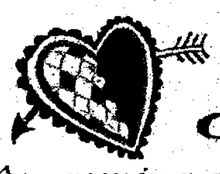

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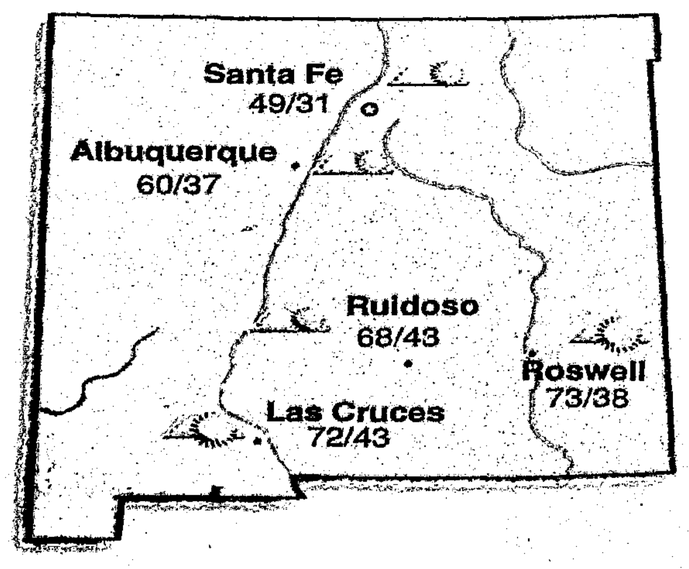

Moon Phases

Full Feb 2	Last Feb 10
New Feb 17	First Feb 24

UV Index

Fri	2/9	5	Moderate
Sat	2/10	5	Moderate
Sun	2/11	3	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 ... 11

Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Alamogordo	74	41	pt sunny	Grants	53	24	pt sunny	Santa Fe	49	31	pt sunny
Albuquerque	60	37	pt sunny	Guymon, OK	47	29	cloudy	Santa Rosa	62	40	pt sunny
Carlsbad	74	38	mst sunny	Hobbs	71	39	mst sunny	Silver City	60	32	mst sunny
Chama	42	24	pt sunny	Las Cruces	72	43	mst sunny	Socorro	65	38	pt sunny
Clovis	60	36	pt sunny	Las Vegas	54	31	pt sunny	St. Johns, AZ	61	34	pt sunny
Deming	71	38	mst sunny	Lordsburg	71	39	pt sunny	Taos	51	21	cloudy
El Paso, TX	71	42	mst sunny	Lubbock, TX	57	38	pt sunny	Trinidad, CO	50	31	cloudy
Espanola	64	37	pt sunny	Odessa, TX	68	41	mst sunny	Truth or Consq.	68	42	mst sunny
Farmington	54	28	pt sunny	Raton	52	27	cloudy	Tucson, AZ	77	49	pt sunny
Gallup	57	24	pt sunny	Roswell	73	38	mst sunny	Tucumcari	59	35	pt sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	46	27	cloudy	Houston	65	52	cloudy	Phoenix	79	55	pt sunny
Boston	29	15	pt sunny	Los Angeles	68	52	rain	San Francisco	57	48	rain
Chicago	19	10	pt sunny	Miami	78	64	rain	Seattle	52	41	rain
Dallas	53	42	cloudy	Minneapolis	13	-2	cloudy	St. Louis	30	16	pt sunny
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Village sells five Grindstone lots for $99,000

■ Council votes 5-1, with Councilor Rebstock in opposition

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After a closed executive session, Ruidoso councilors voted to sell five lots the village owns in the Grindstone area for $99,000.

Councilor Michele Rebstock voted against the motion Tuesday by Councilor Angel Shaw. "I still don't think it was a good deal for the village," she said later.

The buyer is William Elder through Main Street Realty. Two of the lots are selling for $23,000 each, one for $25,000 and two for $14,000.

Under another issue, councilors unanimously accepted the appointment by Lincoln County commissioners of Commissioner Dave Parks to the Joint Use Board for the regional wastewater treatment plant.

Councilor James Stoddard, sitting in for Mayor L. Ray Nunley, said membership of the board is supposed to be restructured, but since that hasn't occurred yet, the council should move ahead as the membership is allocated now.

"I hope when it is rewritten, there will be no county representative," Councilor Ron Hardeman said.

The plant, owned by the village and the city of Ruidoso Downs, is operated by the village.

The county representative acts as a more neutral party on the five-member board, but is not involved in the use or operation of the plant.

Ruidoso councilors want to increase the village vote on the board because the village pays 85 percent of expenses based on usage.

However, some people argue that the county will be forced in the future to use the plant in some capacity, to reduce the number of septic systems or to handle growth, and should retain a position on the board, possibly becoming a partner.

IN OTHER ACTION, COUNCILORS:

• approved a $1,500 allocation from Lodgers Tax for promotional-related activity for the Marti-Gras special event sponsored by the Ruidoso Regional Council for the Arts, set for Feb. 17.

• approved a memorandum of understanding between the village, the police department and the Lincoln County Narcotics Enforcement Unit for assignment of a 2000 Ford Excursion vehicle to the Ruidoso Police Department Special Response Tactical Team.

• approved an agreement with Linda Hand to provide professional services as DWI Grant Program Prevention specialist. She will be paid $1,041.66 for January and $2,083.33 for each month February through June.

• approved an agreement with the Ruidoso Family Medical Group to provide professional services for urine collection and testing for illegal substances for employees of the village.

• approved adoption of a resolution authorizing the village to enter into a cost share grant for $9,250 with the New Mexico Transportation Department, Aviation Division, for security gates, pavement maintenance, runway rehabilitation and a guidance sign replacement at Sierra Blanca Regional Airport.

• set a hearing for Feb. 27 on an ordinance amending the village municipal code regarding alarm systems.

"I still don't think it was a good deal for the village."

Michele Rebstock
Village councilor

Council nixes charge-card proposal for small purchases

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Ruidoso councilors pointed thumbs down for a charge-card program that could streamline purchasing of small items by Ruidoso village employees.

Village Finance Director Elaine Beltran last Tuesday said the card approach would provide better oversight and would be cost efficient compared to the existing system where 30 purchase orders generate 30 small checks.

But in a 4-2 vote, village councilors rejected the new system, with the majority worried about the number of cards proposed for distribution and preferring the tracking approach of a check for each purchase order.

Voting for the motion were Councilors Ron Hardeman and Angel Shaw. Voting against were Councilors Don Williams, James Stoddard, Michele Rebstock and Greg Cory.

Vicki Eichelberger from the village purchasing department explained the credit card would be issued through the state under an agreement with Bank of America-Visa.

The program would allow village employees to purchase items up to $5000 with a procurement card. "We have a great deal of control over it," she said, adding that she has studied the arrangement for the past 18 months.

"Certain things would not be allowed to be purchased," she said. Discipline for incorrect purchases would be a write up for one offense, possibly a suspension for two and firing on a third, she said.

"This will enable us to come into the 21st Century. Only certain people in a department would have a card, usually two or three."

With 13 departments, about 30 cards may be issued. The most in any one department would be six, she said.

A monthly recap allows close scrutiny, she added.

Cory, a banker, said scrutiny equals only as much as is actually exercised.

"I like the system we have now because they have to come to you and ask," he said. "The number of cards concerns me."

Acting Village Manager Bill Morris said approval would not mean moving ahead immediately.

"This is an agreement to start the process," he said. "The greatest issue is control." He cited a previous incident in the village where the purchase order process was abused, saying any system can be breached with intent. Each purchase still would have to be justified, he said. Travel costs would be easier to handle with a card.

But Hardeman agreed with Cory that too many cards are contemplated. "A person who wants to defraud can do it with either system," he said. "This should catch it faster."

Stoddard said he's "180 degrees opposed. I'll stay in the 19th century, thank you very much."

Hardeman said cards could be limited to just 13 department directors and each expense would have to go through them.

Beltran said state purchasing rules allow $5,000 under a "best obtainable price" without getting written bids, but the village's rules are stricter at $500.

"There is no way someone can purchase without it being seen by the purchasing or finance department," she contended.

"I'll stay in the 19th century, thank you very much."

Jim Stoddard
Village councilor

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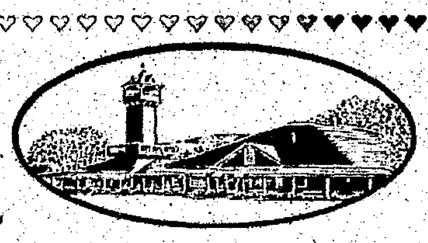

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All interested persons in Lincoln County are invited to attend.

Brig. Gen. David Goldfein, commander of the 49th Fighter Wing at Holloman AFB, has asked his vice commander, Colonel David Moore, to provide us with a talk to update us on the current and near future world military operations of our nearest United States Air Force neighbor, Holloman AFB."

The meeting agenda is:

Date:	Monday, February 12, 2007 - 6:00 PM
Location:	Swiss Chalet -1451 Mechem Drive or halfway up Hill toward Alto.
6:00 PM - 6:50 PM	No-host dinner $13.00 (catered by Casa Blanca Restaurant) ... Come early and introduce yourself to our Military Guests.
7:00 PM -	White Mountain Search and Rescue (winter safety issues)
7:10 PM -	Colonel David Moore, 49th Fighter Wing

Persons that do not wish to have dinner may come at 7:00 PM to hear the speakers.

Because the meal is to be catered, we need everyone to RSVP by Sunday Evening in one of the following two ways:
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OUR OPINION

Carpetbaggers plan coal-powered plant

Corporations also seek eminent domain

In the gray of dawn, when the hush of the desert night still lay deep over the land, the Navajo stirred in his blanket and began to chant to the morning light. It began very soft and low, a strange, broken murmur, like the music of a brook, and as it swelled that weird and mournful tone was slowly lost in one of hope and joy. The Indian's soul was coming out of night, blackness, the sleep that resembled death, into the day, the light that was life.

Then he stood in the door of his hogan, his blanket around him, and faced the east.

– *Zane Grey*, The Rainbow Trail, *1915*

When the Navajo looks east today, he might see Sithe Global Power of Texas engaged in a scheme to build the Desert Rock Power Plant, a coal-fired generator near Farmington.

Toward that end, the company is banking on two bills, HB 178 and SB 431, circulating in the state Legislature. The bills would provide $85 million in tax breaks to lure Sithe to produce energy for export to Utah and Arizona.

Can we get this straight, here? New Mexico, with an abundance of wind and solar energy potential, is considering tax breaks for a Texas company to fire up dirty energy for the benefit of other states?

Oh, now we get it. Utah and Arizona get the energy, Texas gets the profits and New Mexico gets the carbon and mercury deposits and a sky-full of greenhouse gas pollution.

And a few jobs – which is always the carrot on the stick.

Except that Navajo elders are not buying that argument. This week, 75 tribal members were among those who packed the rotunda of the Roundhouse in Santa Fe to hear scientists, activists, clergy and lay people speak against the project.

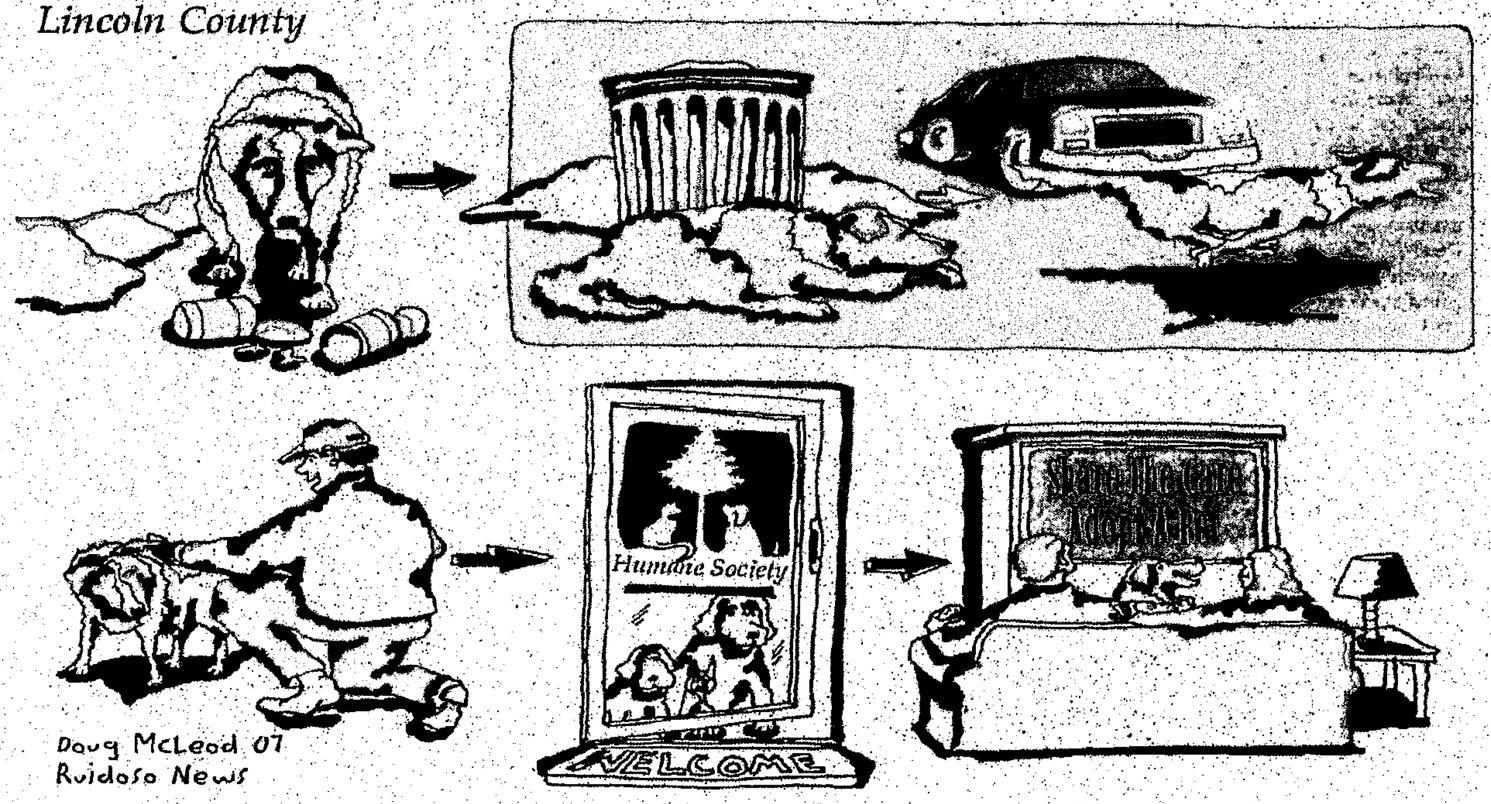
Protesters claim that emissions from the plant would actually limit economic growth in the Four Corners by pushing the area over EPA pollution allowances.

Talk about eminent domain and corporate arrogance. Alice Gilmore, one of the elders, said, "I still herd sheep on that land and now they want to put that power plant there. I never gave them approval to put it there."

This may be in Farmington, but all of New Mexico should be outraged at this attempted takeover of our land and skies.

Even a 12-year-old can see through it, like Jesse Weahkee of Shiprock, who told the Santa Fe rally: "If the plant is so great, why don't they build it in their backyard?"

Lincoln County



YOUR OPINION

New Mexico can take lead against Aspartame

To the editor:

NEW MEXICO IS AT A VERY serious crossroads for consumer protection, and I need your immediate help.

•I am sponsoring Senate Bill 498, to ban the neurotoxic artificial sweetener, Aspartame. The methyl ester in aspartame is metabolized as methanol and then formaldehyde, both of which have disastrous medical consequences, yet is still found in 6,000 U.S. products, including diet sodas, sugarless gum, low-fat yogurt and Equal. The FDA rejected Aspartame's approval from 1966 to 1981, but Searle forced it through FDA for vast financial gain.

Corporate lobbyists are perpetuating misrepresentations that it is a "safe" product, despite being the single most complained-about product in FDA's history. Within the complaints, headaches and migraines are the largest single complaint attributed to Aspartame. Formaldehyde and methanol are hardly beneficial for diabetics.

The chromosomal effects are very serious and have minimally been researched. It is an obvious medical imperative to take it off the market entirely in New Mexico, and, eventually, perhaps the FDA will do so nationally.

In September/October 2006, 21 New Mexico legislators from both parties signed a letter to President Bush and FDA Commissioner Andrew Von Eschenbach, asking them to rescind FDA approval for Aspartame. Dr. Von Eschenbach responded with corporate pleasantries.

Please call your state senators as soon as possible to ask them to support this bill, particularly by voting for it in the Public Affairs Committee:

Steve Komadina, M.D., OB-GYN from Corrales; Gay Kernan, Senator from Hobbs; Steven Neville, Senator from Aztec; Stuart Ingle, Minority Leader from Portales; and Mary Kay Papen, Senator from Las Cruces.

Other key Senators who must hear from you very soon are: William Sharer, Senator from Farmington; Lee Rawson, Senator from Las Cruces and Minority Whip; Dianna Duran, Senator from Tularosa; Clinton Harden, Senator from Clovis; Carroll Leavell, Senator from Jal; Shannon Robinson, Chair, Senate Corporations Committee; Cynthia Nava, Chair, Senate Education Committee; William Payne, Senator from Albuquerque; Diane Snyder, Senator from Albuquerque; Sue Wilson Beffort, Senator from Sandia Park.

Please take the time to voice your opinion to ban Aspartame (SB 498), and ask your friends, family, colleagues, and patients to do so. The text of SB 498 is on the NM Legislature Web site. Please Google and read three astonishing treatises on Aspartame:

- H. J. Roberts, M.D. (Internist), author of *Aspartame Disease an FDA Approved Epidemic*;
- Russell Blaylock, M.D. (Neurosurgeon) author of *Excitotoxins and What to do if you have used Aspartame*;
- Report from Ramazzini Foundation for European Oncology on Aspartame's carcinogenicity.

I am grateful for your help and valuable medical insight which are needed by this Legislature.

Senator Gerald Ortiz y Pino
(D-Bernalillo-District 2)

WALTER RUBEL THE SANTA FE TRAIL

Governor's capital outlay appetite leaves only the crumbs

SANTA FE – Three years ago, before the start of the 2004 legislative session, Gov. Bill Richardson made a compelling argument for the need to reform the state's capital outlay process.

Now, he apparently wants to control it all.

The governor has proposed a capital outlay bill that would spend approximately $140 million on education; $91 million on higher education; $117 million on water infrastructure; $53 million on public health and safety; $113 million on housing, infrastructure and economic development; $3 million on parks and public lands; $19 million on state public service facilities; $1.5 million on courts; $85 million on transportation and $89 million for new and other initiatives.

Add it up, and the governor's spending proposals would eat up $712,405,500 of a total expected pool of $715 million. That would leave $2,594,500 for the 42 members of the Senate and 70 members of the House.

Assuming that money were divided equally, each lawmaker would get a whopping $23,165.17 with which to meet the needs of their district. All of this in a year when there is expected to be $5.69 billion available for the main budget and $715 million for one-time projects.

The Legislature will, of course, reject the governor's proposal. Richardson spokesman Gilbert Gallegos said the governor's proposal is just a "blueprint to start talking about." Gallegos said the governor understands that the Legislature has the power to appropriate funds, and that his capital outlay proposal shouldn't be seen as an attempt to usurp that power.

What will likely happen is leaders from the Senate Finance and House Appropriations and Finance committees will meet behind closed doors with Richardson Chief of Staff James Jimenez and Finance Secretary Katherine Miller to work out a compromise.

When Richardson came into office, the capital outlay money was divided into thirds. Senators and representatives would use their share for projects in their districts, while the governor would address statewide issues with his one-third.

Richardson argued successfully that the system he inherited was inefficient. There was little tracking or coordination, projects were funded before they were ready and there was no way to pay for big initiatives like the spaceport.

There have been improvements in the last three years. But, lawmakers who once had some degree of certainty as to their funding now have to rely on their leaders to fend off a governor who has sought a greater slice of the pie every year, and now wants all but the crumbs.

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GUEST COMMENTARY

Legislature has opportunity to enact ethics reform

SENATOR PETE CAMPOS (D)
District 8

New Mexicans are understandably weary of hearing tales of ethical lapses by their public officials. The New Mexico Legislature has an opportunity during this year's legislative session to strengthen our ethics laws and restore the public's faith in its democracy.

The public should not believe that government is unethical and that every elected official and bureaucrat has a hand out. Far from it, the overwhelming majority of New Mexico's elected official and public employees work hard and are dedicated to the high ideals of public service.

The public is well-served by its government in New Mexico. Unfortunately, there are and always will be a few people who choose to act unethically. Their bad acts are doubly abusive.

Not only is the immediate victim of their act harmed, but the public's faith in its democracy is shaken every time an unethical public official is exposed.

The cynicism that results grows and spreads through our society and can take years to eradicate. The New Mexico Legislature can and should respond to this problem this year.

I support the following measure designed to curb corruption and restore the public's faith in its government: First, the New Mexico Legislature should create an independent ethics commission to enforce the state's ethics laws and advise public officials, lobbyists and political candidates about their provisions. The commission and its staff should be equally devoted to educating public officials and others about the principles of ethical behavior and their requirements under our ethics laws, as well as to investigating potential violations and enforcing those laws.

At the same time, the New Mexico Legislature itself should strengthen ethics rules to give its existing ethics committees the tools they need to investigate complaints about legislative misbehavior.

While ethical lapses are relatively rare, they are damaging, and a mechanism should be in place to investigate allegations and resolve them quickly.

Second, campaign contributions and gifts should be eliminated. It is an unfortunate perception that large campaign contributions and gifts to elected officials and candidates for office influence official decisions.

While I believe this perception is overstated, the perception is nevertheless widely held, and for that reason it should be addressed. The best option is to strengthen our laws requiring all campaign contributions and most gifts to be publicly reported by limiting the amounts that can be given.

A good starting point was recommended by Governor Richardson's Task Force on Ethics Reform: limit individual campaign contributions to statewide candidates to $2,100 and to candidates for district office to half that – $1,050. This limit, or something reasonably similar, would ensure that no single individual, corporation, union or political action committee would be able to disproportionately influence a candidate.

Gifts should also be limited. Lobbyists and their clients should not be allowed to give elected officials or public employees expensive gifts, whether in the form of an all-expense-paid trip to the Super Bowl or a dinner at an expensive restaurant. At the same time, the limit should be reasonable enough – say, $50 or $75 – to allow for lunches, reasonably-priced dinners or relatively small gifts. Ethical lapses and corruption slowly but steadily erode the foundation of our democracy.

Elected officials and concerned citizens, alike, must work hard to fight corruption and the appearance of impropriety so we can restore faith in our fundamental democratic institutions.

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BRAD COOPER: LINCOLN LOGS

Those naughty 'nauts

Astronauts crash and burn, legislators debate the given and everyone who really cares what Ryan O'Neil does, please hold up your fireplace poker.

It's been a hard news week to ignore, and even more proof to the political right that the American culture is going to hell in a space capsule.

First the astronaughty incident. What was Astronaut Lisa Robochick Nowak thinking when she reportedly abandoned her NASA issue Sigourney-Weaver-gray "Alien" space briefs and suited up in adult diapers to drive non-potty-stop from Houston to Orlando in order to kill another astronaut over a third, William "Billy-O" Oefelein?

Nowak was in space just last July and apparently hasn't quite returned. Yes, Houston, we do have a problem. The only thing truly heartening about the situation is that it was a love triangle that (everyone cheered in the NASA control center when it was announced) that included at least one member of the opposite sex.

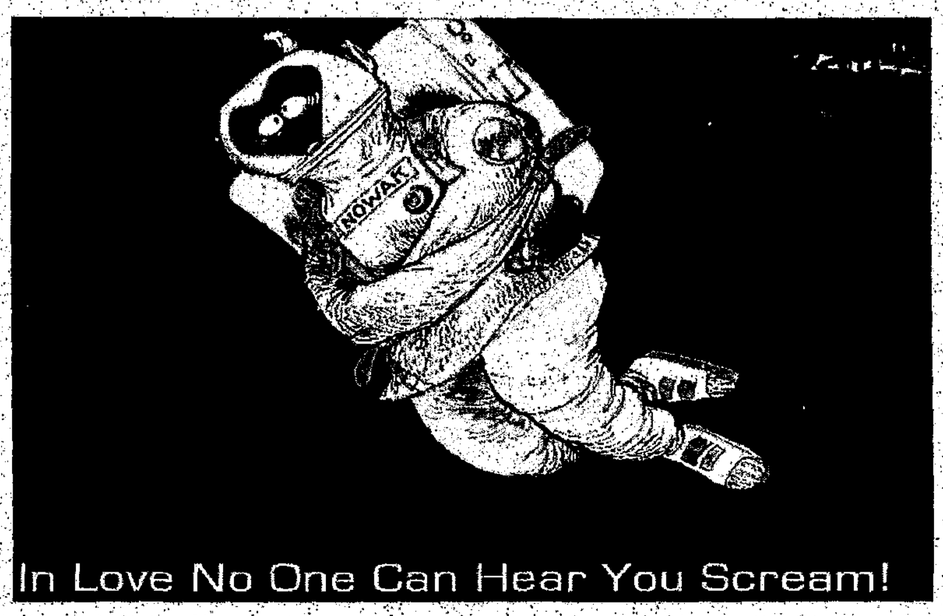
Nowak's prowess is reportedly much whispered about around the NASA locker room (bigger helmets than the NFL, thus bigger lockers). Word is that Nowak, in fact, went around the world once every 101.35 minutes for 13 *days in a row.* While this may seem like a long time to those who don't follow NASA stats on the NASA Channel, Astronaut Shannon Lucid actually holds the round-the-world female record at 223 days, 2 hours, 52 minutes and 26 seconds, an unimaginable feat that you wouldn't know about because she hasn't tried to murder anyone.

The Nowak incident was reportedly the first time that an astronaut has been charged with a felony. Well...yeah, duh...I would hope so. At least they're trained to skip right over the small stuff and jump right to the headline grabbers like attempted murder.

Nowak also crossed state lines apparently with a can of pepper spray, a trenchcoat and wig, an unused BB-gun cartridge, a new steel mallet, knife, rubber tubing, a couple Snickers, a case of Twinkies from Sam's Club and large garbage bags with her from Houston.

It's thought that the Twinkies prove premeditation in that she was setting up a defense strategy for the crime.

Frankly, I can think of nothing less



stimulating than envisioning two astronauts going at it. There's been a field of thought since the beginning of the U.S. space program that the only reason to send humans into space was to get other humans who count beans to fund the program.

Initially we sent monkeys into space, but they couldn't keep their hands off one another making for some embarrassing and not-so-commercial video which you've never seen because it just didn't have the front page tabloid qualities of Britney Spears sans her Sigourney Weavers. There are those that we don't need to send men when a hand-operated battery-powered remote control device that gets the mission accomplished sometimes quicker and more effectively, and one doesn't have to have a conversation with it afterwards. One popular model is simply known as, "My Fuzzy Little Martian Rover."

Meanwhile, American marketers are jockeying for position. Kimberly Clark's "Depend" brand has leaked details of a new campaign, "Depends...so good astronauts use them." Daisy Air Rifles are going right for a personal tie-in: "Daisy BB Guns...I never leave Houston without one."

There's no doubt that Nowak's career as an astronaut has crashed and burned. She's grounded, but my money is on the fact that she already has an offer from *Playboy* in her reportedly hot little hands.

And what are they doing on this hard news week? They're debating a non-binding resolution against the war in Iraq. We had another (obviously non-binding) resolution on the war in Iraq last November called an election. The Democrats are proving that they can waste as much time as any party.

Maybe things would go faster if they spent more than four days a week at work on the floors of both bodies, but then maybe they just haven't got the stamina for it.

The average age in the House of Representatives is 55. The average age of senators is 60.

Maybe they just haven't got the right stuff to sit through long legislative sessions anymore.

The now-more-than-ever answer? Well, that Depends.

So good, astronauts use them.

BRAD COOPER is a syndicated columnist from White Oaks. Some of this information was leaked to him.

GUEST COMMENTARY

Emu industry tanked, state survived

MIKE DODSON
Carlsbad

With the cockfighting issue still looming in the New Mexico Legislature, there are a lot of arguments that cockfighters use to plead their side. One involves the statement that cockfighting is a part of their culture.

If this works for cockfighters, I hear that there are drug users in prison that are planning to use the same defense. Unlike the cockfighters, they have a nifty slogan: "Don't Weed Out Our Culture."

I like the slogan but I really don't think the justification will work for either group. You shouldn't be allowed to hide behind a culture when involved in a fowl deed.

Another argument addresses the economic impact that cockfighting has on the state. Dang, how much chicken feed do these little guys eat? Could it be a metabolism thing? But this makes me think about the emu.

I know for a fact that these monster fowls have an appetite because a friend got sucked in on that deal and he was forever paying feed bills. But I don't remember hearing of any feed stores going belly up after the collapse of the emu market.

But wait, there is good news for all of us carnivores. If the anti-cockfighting legislation goes through and there are a large number of these game birds, then by this summer we're going to be overwhelmed with chicken parts. Excuse me, but all I can say is, "Get those grills in a circle!"

In Memory of
ROCKY ROOSTER
EX-CHAMPION

His only defeat was a real killer.

Finally, I hear that cockfighting provides suitable family entertainment. I have to wonder about this one. I have a young granddaughter and, granted, we both agree that there is nothing better than enjoying a good bloodbath in an air-conditioned room with soft drinks, some ding dongs and a bag of popcorn. Oh, I forgot, a chilidog would be nice. But some of these luxuries aren't available at these events. So call us soft, but I guess we'll just stay home and enjoy *Rambo* re-runs on TV.

There seems to be a lot of squawking around the state and it's not coming from the chickens.

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YOUR OPINION

A caring community responds

To the editor:

ON JAN. 27, THE Ski Apache Disabled Skiers Program held its annual Silent Auction, which is our primary fund raising event. Hundreds of people attended, bid on items, and helped preserve a program dedicated to helping individuals with disabilities learn to ski and snowboard.

Generous groups, individuals and businesses donated items, services, food, and their time to make this event possible.

The staff, Board of Directors and the students at SADSP would like to thank all who contributed, participated, and attended the Silent Auction and helped our program to continue.

The SADSP office is located in the ground floor of the Gondola building at Ski Apache and we invite everyone to stop by and see first-hand the difference you have helped to make in a person's life.

Marty Davenport
SADSP Program Director

Help your mail carrier in winter

To the editor:

SNOW! HOW WONDERFUL to be blessed by this moisture in the dead of winter. It is great for our economy as well as for residents' peace of mind; just think what a relief it will be to not worry about a wildfire racing through our neighborhoods this spring. The beauty of the snow falling and gracing each and every pine needle is certainly beyond words.

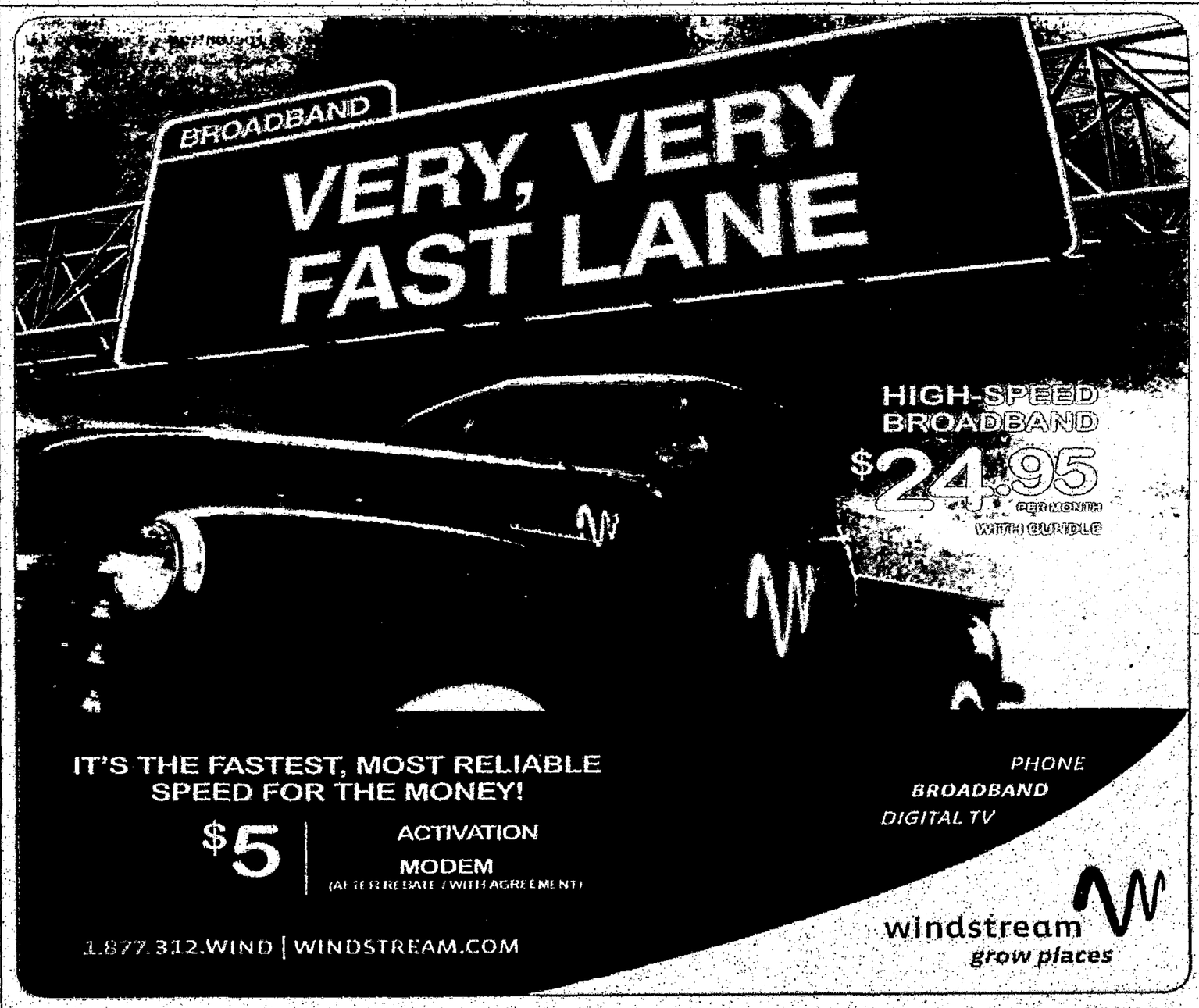
I like snow and I like my job. I am a mail carrier in Ruidoso. I feel confident in speaking for the other five mail carriers by saying that we have good intentions, daily, to provide accurate delivery of our customers' letters and packages. Yes, even if it is snowing. You have heard the slogan, "Neither rain, nor snow, nor sleet, nor half-buried mailboxes..."

We appreciate all the hard work and long hours given by the road crews, as they clear our narrow, steep roads of the beautiful snow. After they clear our roads, we have to then clear our driveways. I have a suggestion: How about, as long as you're clearing your driveway, you clear a path in and out of your mailbox area.

It will be so appreciated by your mail carrier and will avoid such dilemmas as, "How in the heck am I supposed to get out of this snowbank?" (Thank you, Harry, for pulling my vehicle out.)

Did you know that your rural mail carrier is self-employed? That he or she actually owns the vehicle used to deliver your mail? Can you imagine sliding into a mailbox and gouging the side of your vehicle? So be kind and please shovel next time it snows.

Ruth E. Barnum
Ruidoso



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Western themes to be front and center in March

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One would think the pairing of a fine arts theater and museum would be something of a no-brainer when it comes to cross promotion.

That's what the directors of the Spencer Theater and the Hubbard Museum of the American West thought, as the two institutions are combining their efforts to celebrate Cowboy Up! week in Ruidoso.

The week begins March 5-9, with a Cowboy Up! western wear contest, and includes proclamations by Ruidoso mayor L. Ray Nunley and Ruidoso Downs mayor Bob Miller.

The month culminates in the March 15-16 production of *Urban Cowboy* at the Spencer Theater, while the Hubbard Museum will kick off its feature exhibit "Wyatt Earp Goes to the Movies: Hollywood Fact and Fiction."

The Wyatt Earp exhibit will show from March 21-Aug. 12.

"This idea came from a brainstorming session we had with our marketing department," said Charles Centilli, executive director of the Spencer Theater. "We all thought it was a great idea."

Jay Smith, director of the Hubbard Museum, said it was providence that Centilli came to him with the idea when he did.

"Neither of us realized how close these events were to each other on the calendar," Smith said. "This was a great way to tie the two together. With a show based on a motion picture being presented, and our exhibit on Wyatt Earp and Hollywood, it seemed obvious."

Smith added a market the size of the Ruidoso area makes collaborations like this a must.

"This is a business, let's face it. And both have something to gain from this," Smith said. "Even if we sell only 25 extra tickets or see only 25 more visitors, this was still a success. We're learning from each other and learning to focus our efforts this way."

"The stronger we are together, the stronger we are for the community," he added.

As natural as the pairing seemed to be, this is the first time the two entities have combined forces since the two have been in existence. The Hubbard Museum opened in 1992, while the Spencer Theater began operations in 1997.

Why so long?

"Each facility had to carve out their own niche before they could work together," Smith said. "But this is only the first of several ventures we'll be putting on."

TODD FUQUA/STAFF

Charles Centilli, left, and Jay Smith are joining forces as directors of the Spencer Theater and Hubbard Museum of the West, respectively, to promote a Cowboy Up! week starting March 5.

Smith and Centilli aren't the only ones excited about this partnership. Officials from both Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs have awarded a total of $3,000 in lodgers tax funds to help support the effort.

"This is an exciting partnership. When I saw this on my agenda today I thought 'Wow! This is exactly what we need,'" said Cindy Clayton-Davis, lodgers tax committee chair for Ruidoso. "I've often hoped our big cultural leaders would get together. You two are setting an example of great hands coming together to accomplish something that is big and wonderful."

"I think it's a significant event for Ruidoso and the area," said lodgers tax committee member Frank Sayner. "It will create excitement and a sense of something going on during a time that is generally slow."

Centilli said the true measure of success will be three-fold.

"We want people to be entertained, have fun and learn something along the way," Centilli said. "Education is a big part of all of this."

Schneider lucky winner of Pontiac at BTK Casino

Jennifer Schneider's weekly drive from her Cloudcroft home to the Billy The Kid Casino in Ruidoso Downs will be more exciting on the windy mountain roads driving the new red Pontiac G5 Sport Coupe she won last Saturday night at the casino.

"I can't believe it. I won a car!" Schneider kept screaming as she ran to stage to claim her prize after her name was drawn. Along with her husband Robert, she owns and operates the Aspen Motel and Restaurant in Cloudcroft.

"I try to come up here [to the Billy the Kid Casino] at least once a week," she said. "I really like the people here. It's just so friendly; you know everybody. It's the best place in town."

The car giveaway for members of the Billy's Cash Club was produced in cooperation between Billy The Kid Casino and Sierra Blanca Motors, who supplied the sporty red coupe valued at $19,820.

COURTESY PHOTO

Representatives from Sierra Blanca Motors and Billy the Kid Casino at Ruidoso Downs were happy to present Cloudcroft resident Jennifer Schneider with a brand new Pontiac G5 Sport Coupe last Saturday. Pictured with the prized car are (l-r) Joe Gomez of Sierra Blanca Motors, Robert Schneider, Jennifer Schneider and Rick Baugh, Ruidoso Downs Race Track Billy the Kid Casino general manager.

"We've done this in the past and it works really well," said Sierra Blanca Motors' sales manager Joe Gomez. "It helps bring people here to Ruidoso, but it's nice to see a local win."

Ruidoso Day a success in Santa Fe

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By all accounts, the day-long series of events and conferences planned to sell Ruidoso to the State Legislature in Santa Fe was a success, according to Rachel Burrus of the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce.

"It went really great, and we had a wonderful turnout," Burrus said of "Ruidoso Day" in the State Capitol. "We had 20 booths in the rotunda and had some great exposure."

The goal of Ruidoso Day was to place the area and its concerns squarely in front of state legislators, as well as tout all the area businesses have to offer.

Lincoln County Medical Center, Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce, Spencer Theater, RuidosoWeb, Corp., Ruidoso Convention Center, The Lodge at Sierra Blanca, Lincoln County Overland Stagecoach, Ruidoso Downs Racetrack/Cowboy Symposium, TKO Advertising (Village of Ruidoso), Billy the Kid Scenic Byways, Ruidoso Regional Council for the Arts, Ponderosa Cabins/Imagine That, ENMU-Ruidoso, Ruidoso Downs Chamber of Commerce, Inn of the Mountain Gods Resort and Casino, Golden Aspen Motorcycle Rally, Best Western Pine Springs Inn, RMH C & ELHR, *Ruidoso News*, Fisher Real Estate/The Title Co. and Mountain Annie's all had booths in the rotunda as lawmakers were going to and fro doing the state's business.

New Mexico Tourism Secretary Michael Cerletti also spoke in a rotunda press conference, emphasizing the impact Ruidoso has had on the state's gross receipts tax.

Later that evening, guests were invited to a legislative reception, including Lt. Gov. Diane Denish, who said the hospitality she's received when visiting Ruidoso, relating it to the same atmosphere in her home town of Hobbs.

"The Chamber appreciated the participation of the Village of Ruidoso and Ruidoso businesses and attractions, as well as the participation of the City of Ruidoso Downs and their attractions and businesses," Burrus said. "We are also very appreciative of the presence of the local elected officials who attended. Everyone contributed to making a great impact with our presence in Santa Fe."

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Award nominations due

The Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce is seeking community-minded leaders interested in serving on the organization's board of directors. One member from four of the 10 business councils representing the community's interest will be elected during the Chamber's annual election in March. The four business councils up for election are healthcare, non-profit/government and one of two seats for the lodging and retail councils. Interested individuals should contact the Chamber by 5 p.m. Feb. 28.

The Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce is also seeking nominations for the organization's Citizen/Volunteer of the Year as well as the Hn' Zhu' Ne' Beautification awards.

Chamber Board elections will be March 12-30 with a mailed ballot to the membership. Contact the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce at 257-7395 for more information.

Breakfast planned

The Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce scheduled a membership breakfast for chamber members from 8:30-9:30 a.m. on Feb. 20 at the Best Western Pine Springs Inn in Ruidoso Downs.

Cost is $12 and reservations are required by 3 p.m. Feb. 16. Members may contact Rachel Burrus at 257-7395 prior to the deadline.

Breakfast speaker will be Eastern New Mexico University-Ruidoso Branch Community College faculty member John McCullough. He will discuss a new hospitality and tourism degree program through the branch community college for area businesses.

Treptow said he anticipates a strong turnout as this program will have significant impact on the region's economy in the long run.

If not us, WHO? If not now, WHEN?
✓ Your Chamber lobbied statewide for ENMU Ruidoso to become a Branch Community College.
✓ Your Chamber supports quality public education and endorsed the Ruidoso Municipal Schools $26 million bond election for a new middle school and upgrades of all buildings.
✓ Your Chamber supports public safety and endorsed the $8 million Ruidoso Main Fire Station bond election.
✓ Your Chamber pledged their support for a Director of Tourism to align and streamline area promotional efforts and increase effectiveness and efficiency.
✓ Your Chamber has applied for statewide Economic Development Certification on behalf of the Village of Ruidoso so that we can retain our current businesses and manage the type of businesses looking to relocate and expand to this area.
✓ Your Chamber lobbied for a full time Small Business Development Center representative solely for Lincoln County to meet the needs of the business community.
✓ Your Chamber opposes any additional Native American gaming ventures in Southern New Mexico by proxy.
✓ Your Chamber supports workforce housing in and around Ruidoso.
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Yellow-jacketed firefighters moved through the forest near Grindstone Reservoir honing techniques for felling trees in specific directions as preparation for creating a fire break.

"We don't necessarily want a tree to fall in the direction of lean or slope," said instructor Chris Berryhill with the Ruidoso Fire Department. "These men need to know how to fell trees in specific directions away from a fire and many times against the lean."

Berryhill was working with a group of firefighters from the Philmont Boy Scout Camp in northern New Mexico, who attended the Sierra Blanca Wildland Fire Academy this week in Ruidoso.

Academy coordinator Harlan Vincent, assistant Ruidoso fire chief, said about 120 people signed up for the five-day academy this year.

He's shooting for 250 next year, in part by expanding the training event to nine days to provide weekend classes for members of volunteer fire departments, the primary source of coverage in rural areas of Lincoln County.

Participants in this year's event could choose from among class lectures and demonstrations, field training and in off-hours, checking out equipment and memorabilia on sale by vendors, including Smokey Bear items.

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During a class at the Sierra Blanca Wildland Fire Academy, Edwin Martinez, a firefighter from the Philmont Boy Scout Camp, fells a tree using methods that can direct the angle of fall as part of preparing a fire break line.

Vincent said instructors for the classes were "hand-selected and the best in the business," such as Steve Mullis with the Bernalillo District of the New Mexico State Forestry.

Class topics included: introduction to the Incident Command System; developing situation awareness, basic communication responsibilities, attitude and stress barriers, decision-making process, and teamwork principles; handling the supply, delivery, and application of water; understanding the function, maintenance and use of internal combustion engine powered chain saws and their tactical wildland fire application; assisting structure and wildland firefighters in making tactical decisions when confronting wildland fire that threatens life, including interface awareness, size-up, initial strategy and incident action plan, structure triage, structure protection tactics, incident action plan assessment and firefighter safety.

Council studies mission, function of growth committees

■ Mayor: Some of them have been put on the 'back burner'

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Reports and recommended action should be flowing from committees studying different aspects of growth in Ruidoso, says one village councilor.

"I don't want this to become lip service," Councilor Greg Cory told other board members Tuesday during a workshop on the status of the committees, some of which were formed last summer.

Residents express concerns, the mayor forms committees and then nothing seems to happen, he said.

Acting Village Manager Bill Morris presented a chart showing how the various committees interrelate and what groups might be considered subcommittees of others.

Whatever recommendations from the committees are adopted by the council must be "rolled up and included in the village's Comprehensive Plan," he said.

"All are interrelated. You can't work in water without land use and economic development. We can give a time frame on water as a first step, looking at availability and (drought) contingencies."

Mayor L. Ray Nunley said Village Water Director Ken Mosley is working on recommendations. Cory said scientists with Sandia National Laboratories also began a project with stakeholders to devise a computer water model through which different development scenarios could be run for comparisons on effectiveness and impacts. In that same vein, village committees should get opposing views and find common ground, he said.

Councilor Angel Shaw said when a task force she worked with tried to formulate forest management rules for the village several years ago and hit a wall, "We came back to the council and asked which direction. We gave reports periodically and asked for extensions to get it done."

Councilor Ron Hardeman suggested setting a "reasonable" deadline of 90 days for each committee report.

Nunley said while some committees were formed in July and August, they were put on the "back burner" with so many other issues demanding attention. The Sandia study may take three years and covers the whole county, he said.

"We can't set a time frame on determining how much water we have," he said. "We've been trying to create an adequate supply for 20 years. We'll be bringing water into the area 40 years from now, we know that."

Councilor James Stoddard said he would like the new village manager, when one is selected, to meet with the growth management committee.

A Midtown overlay committee, set up to design protections for the character and history of the midtown area, most likely would function as a subcommittee of the growth committee, along with growth management and water resource management, Morris proposed.

Subcommittees of water resource management would include contingency covering rates and restriction phases, conservation covering new construction and retrofitting homes with low-flow appliances and concurrency dealing with level of service.

Under Growth Management, subcommittees would be for village form (land use), economic development and the Comprehensive Plan, including zoning codes.

Nunley said he wants to avoid large committees because they tend to bog down, and he preferred calling them study groups instead of task forces.

Shaw said Lincoln County Attorney Alan Morel volunteered to help new Village Attorney Dan Bryant work on revamping the village zoning codes. Nunley said, "I'd put Alan on anything."

Hardeman suggested advertising for people to volunteer for the various committees and Cory proposed allowing the chairman of each group to set the number of members.

"He could say he has enough and take names and call if others drop off," Hardeman agreed.

Councilor Don Williams said Morris should come up with another chart illustrating how the groups will function and to whom they report. Nunley said he'll work on that and Morris said he worked on the committees quite a bit, but staff changes have interfered.

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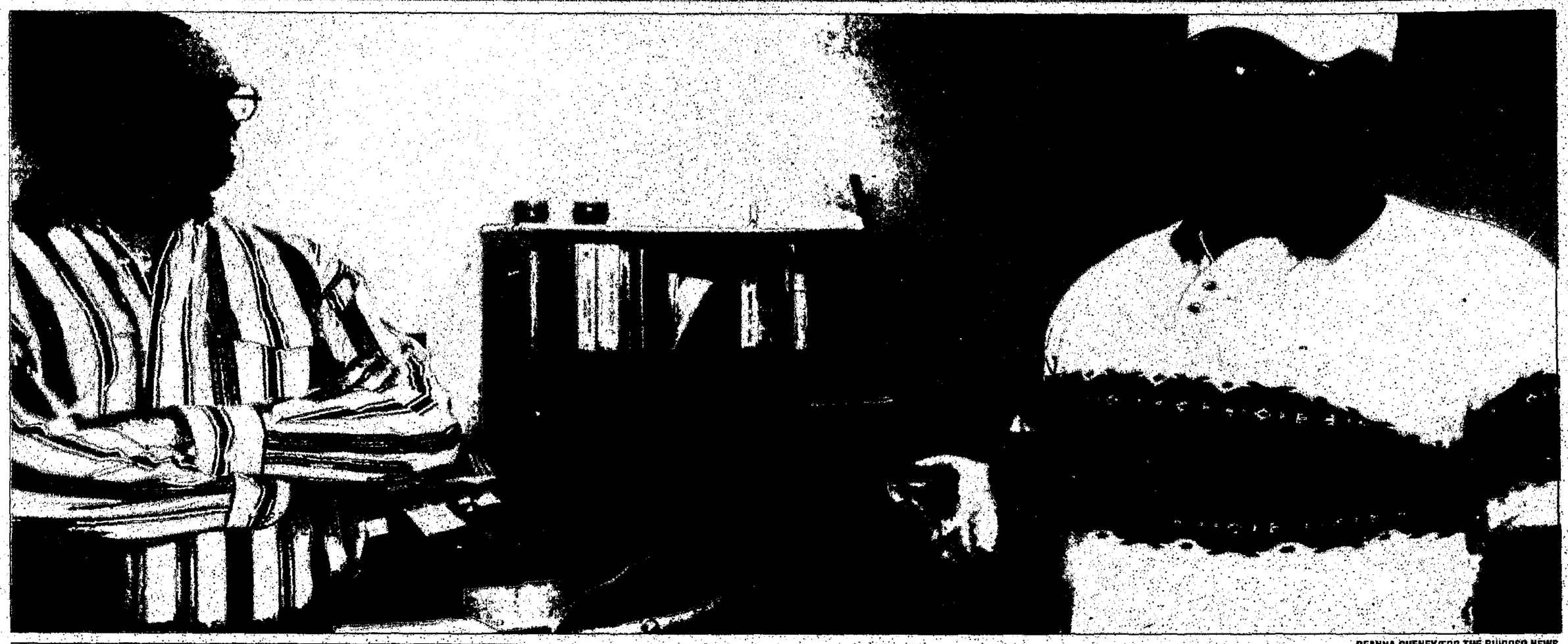

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Cramped quarters inside Ruidoso Downs City Hall and consisting of 132 square feet of space in which Municipal Court Clerk staff must conduct business, is part of a complaint filed recently by Judge Harrold Mansell, right, against the City. Mansell said the court is located in offices assigned to it 10 years ago, during which time case work has increased significantly. He said the space is neither private nor secure and leaves the city vulnerable to lawsuits. His tort notice lists interference by city managers in personnel issues and neglect of budgetary procedures and requests as further cause for complaint. Also pictured, court bailiff Dana Terlecky, left, and court secretary Virginia Armstrong.

JUDGE

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ed for a response to his argument and a second request for an alternate court site, "the city spent $40-$60,000 to buy an old gas station across the street for city hall to turn into a visitor center," and after it previously spent $100,000 to add on to city hall to construct offices for

Mansell to be issued subpoena

DEANNA CHENEY
For the Ruidoso News

RUIDOSO DOWNS – Ruidoso Downs Municipal Court Judge Harrold Mansell is to be issued an informal subpoena to appear before Ruidoso Downs City Councilors to discuss a 215 percent overage in his budget, per discussion Friday during a special meeting of the council.

Councilors conducting a mid-year review of city finances, noted that Mansell has exceeded "the line item for salaries" by $4,600, year-to-date. In addition, Mansell currently is seeking to hire a part-time clerk.

On a motion by Councilor Sue Garrett, councilors unanimously agreed to "ask Judge Mansell to come in and discuss possible action and mid-year budget adjustments" under regular business of the government, before the matter is considered for referral to the city's attorney, Dan Bryant.

Mayor Bob Miller expressed concern about direct contact with Mansell on his budget and staffing as "the city is in litigation with the judge.".

Council noted that other than the Municipal Court's budget, "all other line items look good and are holding strong."

Waters and Mayor Bob Miller.

Still, Mansell said he did not feel compelled to re-open discussion about space until he was "forced" to hire Dana Terlecky as court bailiff.

"A judge ruled last spring that Dana had been wrongfully terminated from his job on the police force and told the city to reinstate him," Mansell said. "John Waters then perjured himself to the judge in Terlecky's case by telling him that I had requested a bailiff, which I never did."

"Also, when I asked John about this, he told me he had already 'taken care of' adjusting the budget for Dana's salary and benefits without talking to me about any of it first."

Mansell said that the Terlecky hiring, in addition to exhausting already cramped space, ignited a "second round" with Waters and councilors on personnel issues.

Previously, Waters "allowed" city employees to donate their unused sick leave to Judge Mansell's secretary who subsequently became absent from her job for an extended period of time.

"First Peggy used up the vacation and sick leave she had, then the time the employees gave her, then she took time unpaid under the Family Medical Leave Act. During all that time she was gone, I had to have somebody in here doing the court's work," Mansell explained.

"That meant my part-time person was receiving full time wages to do Peggy's job when Peggy wasn't here, and while we were still paying Peggy a full-time salary and benefits."

Mansell said the double-duty of his part-time clerk, plus the void left by not having an assistant to the clerk, now acting as secretary, left his office behind on its workload. In addition, he said the clerk shuffling and the hiring of Terlecky has caused his office to exceed its budgetary allowance for salaries.

He further contends that while the city paid the part-time clerk to work full-time the city refused to pay that clerk

"John Waters perjured himself to the judge in Terlecky's case by telling him that I had requested a bailiff, which I never did."

Harrold Mansell
Municipal judge, Ruidoso Downs

benefits accorded other full-time employees, until just recently.

Responding, Waters said that while he had the authority to grant various employees' requests to give their sick leave to the municipal court secretary, "it fell to Judge Mansell to deny it being given to her."

Waters, backed by references in various minutes of the council and correspondence of the mayor, showed where, in more than once instance, Mansell was tardy, if at all responsive, in filing special requests and budget proposals within the prescribed deadline. Waters further refuted Mansell's claim that he and Dana Terlecky were not part of the "agreement reached to hire Dana back as a city employee, but as a bailiff in Municipal Court."

"We are in total compliance with [Judge Black's] order in the Terlecky case, with state law, and with proper municipal procedures as set out by ordinance or resolution," Waters told the *News*.

In addition to seeking a court order to remedy his claims, Mansell is asking for fees and costs incurred in filing the complaint, which, he says, "has been required in order to enforce the inherent powers of the municipal court."

He said the court has outgrown the 132-foot space it was assigned 10 years ago, and said that by law he should be allowed "adequate accommodations that offer privacy and security; a secretary, court clerk and bailiff" at fair wages.

The case has been remanded to a district court judge in Otero County following a request by Judge Karen Parsons to be excused.

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Proposed zoning changes ready for review

■ Public hearing to be set

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Ruidoso Village Councilors gather around the table at a workshop Tuesday.

Proposed changes in Ruidoso zoning rules are ready for a hearing to take public input and find out how residents and developers like the idea of creating two new zoning districts, establishing a formula for the amount of development allowed on each lot and adding requirements for additional planting areas in parking lots.

Acting Village Manager Bill Morris said at the council workshop Tuesday, an item will be listed asking to set the hearing date.

"We started this eight months ago," he said. The changes come from Chapter 54 in the zoning code, dealing primarily with land development, he said.

The changes would:

• create new zoning districts for professional offices and for public ownership.

• change land development standards for landscape buffers and add in a formula called Floor-Area-Ratios for different commercial zoning districts. FAR stands for the gross floor area of all structures on a lot to the total square footage of the lot area.

• clarify the intent of the section on residential and commercial terrain management by including a maximum hillside cut for residential housing to ensure scars in the hillsides cannot be seen.

• modify the section on off-street parking to add requirements for additional planting areas in parking lots.

• incorporate a stepped maximum building height and a scaled maximum FAR/minimum open space requirement in midtown.

• include a minimum basal area requirement.

"The big area deals with changes to midtown," Morris said, along Sudderth Drive in the historic shopping area of the village. "The changes will provide a lot of additional tools for the planning and zoning commission and fix a lot of issues that have popped up in the past."

By adding two more zoning districts, the need for conditional use approvals should be reduced or eliminated, said Village Planning Director Bob Decker. Currently, neighbors often object to a change from residential to commercial zoning in a transition area because there is no guarantee of what may be built.

With the zone for professional offices, they could be assured of a low-traffic intensity use, he said.

Defining "undisturbed," also is important, because if a developer is required to maintain a percentage of the undisturbed area of a lot, many argue that all lots in Ruidoso have been disturbed and all of the land can be used.

A trigger was needed and 20 years was suggested. If land hasn't been used or changed for 20 years, it will be considered undisturbed.

Under conditional uses, convenience store with gas pumps would be restricted to intersections of major arterial roads. Morris said a 1980 study identified all the roads that qualify and could be a referral document.

Councilors appeared to favor the suggested reduction in building height from a maximum of 35 feet to 25 feet in midtown and Councilor Greg Cory liked the idea of simplifying the method of measurement from the sidewalk to the top of the roof line without any complicated formulas. Councilor Ron Hardeman also wanted to require pitched roofs to maintain the character of the village.

Morris said by eliminating "looming" three-story buildings and creating bigger buffers, a "canyon effect" can be avoided.

A proposal for stepped-back building heights that would allow building portions on an upward slope to be higher the further away they were situated from the sidewalk prompted intense discussion. Morris said he will have to come back with different wording for lots on the other side of Sudderth that slope downward from the sidewalk.

Cory said, "Isn't the intent what it looks like from the street?"

Decker said without the stepped back allowance, buildings on upslopes would all end up with parking lots at the back, because the land wouldn't be usable for anything else.

Councilors James Stoddard, said, "That might not be a bad thing."

"But uphill lots will become less buildable," Morris said. "I'll ask planning and zoning commissioners to look at this again before it comes to you in 30 days."

Parking lots would require 10 foot setbacks from the lot line, up from 4 feet, 5 feet for the interior side and rear compared to 3 feet, 7 feet compared to 4 feet for the corner side and for any boundaries with residential districts, 5 feet compared to the current 3 feet.

Required landscaping must be maintained in perpetuity, Morris said. Variances require the applicant to start work within one year and finish within two years.

Councilor Angel Shaw cut to a core issue, asking, "Does this complement or conflict with our comprehensive plan?"

Morris sad the majority of changes complement, but some areas will have to be revisited.

For instance, the comprehensive plan suggested multi-family construction or mixed uses in a few areas, but neighbors don't appreciate that direction, Decker said.

Hardeman said in hindsight, "I'm not sure I'm in agreement with that (neighborhood mixed use centers). It can be contentious."

"It amounts to spot zoning," Mayor L. Ray Nunley said.

Morris said the aim was to create activity areas in certain parts of the village.

"If you don't want them, we can rewrite. But it is a planning concept to concentrate commercial and residential use."

Morris said much more needs to be changed, especially to implement goals in the comprehensive plan. "But this is necessary now to help planning and zoning as soon as possible," he said. "There have to be major changes later."

Planner stirs water on ponds

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Future rules for stormwater holding ponds could require storage underground for later beneficial use, such as irrigation.

Tim Hoyt, who serves on the Planning and Zoning Commission, said Tuesday he wants to see creative alternatives to the current approach where ponds are built to allow slow release of stormwater. On several occasions, property was flooded when ponds plugged and overflowed, he noted.

Village Planning Director Bob Decker said new codes could require reduction of run-off when a site plan is developed instead of maintaining the status quo. Underground catchment systems also are a possibility, he said.

Hoyt said he "hates" the ponds and, "I wish we didn't have them."

But any hope for a quick handling was squashed when Decker recommended dealing first with changes already under review in the zoning code, including how to handle appeals of Planning and Zoning Commission decisions.

New Village Attorney Dan Bryant suggested that the board put together some possible standards, and changes regarding the ponds first for "people to shoot at."

"I foresee 150 pretty angry people filling the gallery," he said.

Decker said bonds could be required to ensure maintenance. Commissioner Phillis Barnett said the village may need a "pond monitor."

Village Planner Darrell Bremner said anyone who builds on land with a slope of 21 percent or more has to install devices to control run-off.

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mendation sheets for increases from under 1 percent to about 6 percent. Others would receive more than 7 percent.

Rebstock said she wants to wait until Eledge finishes an organization study for the village. She considers that study an essential step in fixing the new salaries of other general fund employees, because it could involve shifting people to different responsibilities. The study is set for completion in about two months.

Rogge's "other" general fund salary proposal carries a price tag of $88,093 for six months.

Raises for employees in enterprise departments that generate their own revenues are paid from those separate water, wastewater and solid waste budgets and not considered in this package.

Rogge's summary also showed 18 people in the village earning significantly above market, as much as 19 percent.

Cory said he also would like to hear from Eledge on how to figure the general employee increases.

"Angel sat in on the meetings and she is not satisfied this is what she heard," he said.

When Hardeman said employees didn't receive raises last year, but were given 5 percent "service" increases, Cory responded, "Let me tell you, a 5 percent service increase means a raise in the private sector."

Rebstock added that some of the increases would bring those general employees above the 100 percent of market target that the council set for non-emergency service categories.

Cory said some general employees would hit the maximum salary almost immediately. Rogge responded that would happen because the person worked for the village many years and acquired training to qualify for extra salary percentages. "He should be near the max," she said, of one example she reviewed with Cory.

Earlier in the meeting, Rebstock suggested a motion to set police and fire at 110 percent of market but to cap increases at 15 percent until the organization study is finished. But when Cory offered a motion to go with the full 110 percent and no cap, she seconded his motion and voted with the full council to approve.

Ruidoso's new police officer, T.E. Tyson, second from right, from Plains, Texas, receives a warm welcome from village councilors Tuesday during a special meeting on employee salary increases. Chief Wolfgang Born said Tyson was sworn in earlier that day by Magistrate Judge William Butts.

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A row of officers from the police department, Chief Wolfgang Born, Fire Chief Virgil Reynolds and Assistant Fire Chief Harlan Vincent stood and applauded. Reynolds and Born thanked the council for their actions.

"This is a start," Born said. "It will keep people here." Action still is needed to increase the starting salary of new officers, he said.

Later, Sgt. Dwayne Goar pointed out that Born, who is lumped with general fund employees, will not receive a raise from this council action.

"Through this entire process, Chief Born never was concerned about his salary, only for his people," Goar said. "He never broached the subject with the council. He's not getting an increase (in department raises). He is a chief and a true leader. Believe me, his people in the department recognize that, see it and appreciate it."

From the time he became acting chief a few years ago, Born warned that entry level salaries are not competitive with other communities. The department is operating with eight vacancies. When uncertified officers are hired, as with the last position filled, valuable time is required for them to receive academy training. Certified officers expect and can find more lucrative pay in other cities, he warned.

In several workshops, memorandums to councilors and other venues, he pressed for action, which in part, resulted in councilors hiring Eledge for the salary comparison study.

Acting Village Manager Bill Morris told councilors Tuesday the new approach reflects a reduction in salary steps as recommended by Eledge.

"The staff went back and looked at the budget within the personnel items and we feel we can implement the entire (package) for police, fire and general employees and still maintain a 30 percent buffer," he said. Many salary dollars budgeted were unused because months passed after someone left before positions were filled, Morris said.

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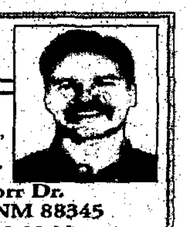

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RATES

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village but the bottom line is you're going to have raise sewer rates."

Waters explained that "as it stands," collections from water service is helping to pay for increased expenses in wastewater but said that "water needs to support the water system and sewer support the sewer system. That's the way it is supposed to be."

Across the board councilors expressed concern with the public's reaction to news of a rate hike for sewer, especially in view of tax increase to be assessed with passage of a General Obligation Bond issue Dec. 12, in which voters approved $1.4 million in bond sales to help pay for the city's share of upgrades to the plant.

Although Waters is "still running the numbers" to come up with the "lowest increase possible" he said it looks like the average residential household will see an increase of $1.91 this year and commercial users $2.25, with additional increases to follow in fiscal year 2007-08, 2008-09 and 2009-10. At the end of the third year of a four-year incremental increase, Waters said the council will have to revisit the numbers in view of final refurbishing costs and operations at the wastewater plant.

"I'm sorry to be the bearer of bad news but it is going to hit you square in the jaw like it did me," he said of the initial financial projections. "It's not a pleasant thing."

Judy Miller said she "doesn't know how our people can afford it" and asked why the city couldn't just continue to use "revenues" from water to pay for sewer.

"Because the amount we're making on water gets smaller and smaller each year we go on," Waters replied. "This year is the last year we will make money, then sewer will actually bring the water down with it. We've been making adjustments to pay for sewer but we're in the red now because of wastewater," he said.

Councilor Sue Garrett said she is opposed to minimizing annual increases just to meet what Ruidoso is billing, if that means the city can never generate enough additional money to pay for other infrastructure needs in Ruidoso Downs. She added, "Ruidoso needs to get their management under control.

"Three years ago even I could see ways we could save money and I'm just a lay person when it comes to that type of work," she said.

Following further discussion at next week's meeting of the council, city managers say they will likely hold a special budget workshop and "try to procure a rate study" for the city to ensure its long-term accountability.

Bryant offered that preparedness where water and wastewater is concerned is important in view of the "changing regulatory environment."

"In 1990 the issue was solid wastes and the costs went up," he said. "Your costs then were 10 percent what they are today. Today's regulatory environment is on water, not just the wastewater side."

Bryant noted that issues pertaining to the cost to upgrade the wastewater treatment plant have been discussed by the council "ad nauseum" but still must be discussed.

"You have to educate the public," he said, to which Waters added, "It needs to be made quite clear this is being passed on to us, and is not because cleaning the line has caused us to raise it and also not because we're giving some tremendous raises to our employees. We have one single employ in our wastewater department and we have not bought any new equipment. We've not even done the cleanup to the manholes that we've talked about," he said.

"It's all, essentially, being passed on to us by our neighbors."

IN OTHER BUSINESS, COUNCILORS:

- reviewed a rough draft Request For Proposals for attorney services to the City. Councilors will vote on the proposal in next week's meeting, scheduled for 5:30 p.m., Feb. 12, including language pertaining to how much time an outside attorney must spend in city hall. The RFP is expected to go out late next week with respondents given 30-45 days in which to reply.
- reviewed financial reports in view of upcoming mid-year budget adjustments.

AVISO PÚBLICO

La empresa Transwestern Pipeline Company, 6381 North Main Street, Roswell, New Mexico 88201, ha presentado ante la Oil Conservation Division (División de Conservación del Petróleo, OCD por sus siglas en inglés) del New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department (Departamento de Energía, Minerales y Recursos Naturales de Nuevo México) una solicitud para la renovación del plan de descarga (GW-089), anteriormente aprobado, para su estación compresora Corona Compressor Station ubicada en el ¼ NO de la Sección 36, Distrito Municipal (*Township*) 4 Sur, Zona (*Range*) 15 Este en el condado de Lincoln, Nuevo México. La ubicación fisica de estas instalaciones remotas es a la altura de la carretera 247, 15 millas en dirección norte por la carretera B007 del condado. El domiciho postal de las instalaciones es P0. Box 710, Capitan, New Mexico, 88316.

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Los interesados en obtener información, presentar comentarios o solicitar su inclusión en una lista de correo para recibir notificaciones futuras sobre estas instalaciones específicas deberán comunicarse con Brad Jones, New Mexico OCD, 1220 South St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505, teléfono (505) 476-3487. La OCD aceptará comentarios y declaraciones de interés con respecto a la renovación y creará una lista de correo para las personas que deseen recibir notificaciones futuras acerca de estas instalaciones específicas.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Transwestern Pipeline Company, 6381 North Main Street, Roswell, New Mexico 88201, has submitted a renewal application to the New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department, Oil Conservation Division for the previously approved discharge plan (GW-089) for their Corona Compressor Station located in the NW ¼ of Section 36, Township 4 South, Range 15 East in Lincoln County, New Mexico. The physical location of this remote facility is off highway 247 then north onto County Road B007 for 15 miles. The mailing address of the facility is P.O. Box 710, Capitan, New Mexico, 88316.

Materials generated or used at the facility include pipeline condensate liquid, new and used compressor lubrication oil, gear oil and oily waste water from engine or scrubber wash down. The wash down water amounts to approximately 25 gallons per week. All liquids utilized at the facility are stored in dedicated above ground storage tanks prior to offsite disposal or recycling at an OCD approved site. All storage tanks are within properly engineered and OCD approved secondary containments. No onsite discharges are intentionally allowed to contact or enter surface or groundwater. The volume of discharges is zero and therefore, the quality of the discharges is not applicable. The aquifer most likely to be affected is 552 feet in depth, and the total dissolved solids concentration of this aquifer is approximately 1500 mg/l.

Any interested person or persons may obtain information, submit comments or request to be placed on a facility-specific mailing list for future notices by contacting Brad Jones at the New Mexico OCD at 1220 South St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505, Telephone (505) 476-3487. The OCD will accept comments and statements of interest regarding the renewal and will create a facility-specific mailing list for persons who wish to receive future notices.

HUMANE

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town of this size with more than 57 percent adopted last year. Fifty-one were adopted in December, our best ever month. I think the 'Home for the Holidays' campaign (with advertisements featuring pets up for adoption) had a great deal to do with that."

An individual membership is $35, running from January to January. With that fee, a member receives a free microchip for one pet and reduced fees for additional pets.

"We've started microchipping all adoptable animals at the shelter and now can offer that service to the public, whether the animal is adopted from the shelter or not, but we concentrate on our adoptables and members," Doner said.

Dr. Warren Franklin is the society's veterinarian of record, and oversees the procedure training and registration, she said.

"We hope the program helps with our return-to-owner rate," Doner said.

The society now operates with 110 members, but Doner hopes to double that number for this year.

"Members give us a sustaining base to grow on," she said.

She's also researching grant opportunities and writing grant applications as an additional source of money. Many people mistakenly think the shelter is a Ruidoso-Ruidoso Downs government operation.

"We are not," she said. "We contract with them and with the village of Capitan for animal control. We don't set the fines or fees. If we are required to have an officer's signature, we can't release an animal without that signed paper, because it is required in their ordinances. We are just the hotel. If the public brings in a stray, sometimes we have more leeway. We are essentially an independent contractor."

The government contracts bring in about 22 percent of the society's income.

"We don't receive anything from the Humane Society of the United States," Doner clarified. "Many people think when they donate to the national organization, we benefit. We are applying for grants from that group, but each society stands alone and there is no umbrella. That's why there is such a wide difference in how they are run."

In writing grants and trying to draw in new members, Doner said her dream is to create a spay and neuter clinic at the shelter.

"We could then do the procedures in a more timely manner and ensure the animals are sent home (already recovered and no longer able to reproduce). I also would like to expand into feral cats," she said. "But the first thing is getting the money."

Many people were disappointed when the society discontinued its voucher program that reduced the cost of spaying and neutering animals in the community.

"We had to discontinue that last year, in part, because of the money spent on lawyers and a lawsuit, which is on appeal," Doner said of a lawsuit contesting administrative procedures in reference to board appointments and some bylaw changes. A court-enforced settlement was in place, but then was appealed by the people who brought the lawsuit. "That money could have been used for shelter repairs, but because we didn't have the funds, we put the repairs off," Doner said.

"I would love to get new cages and rehabilitate the ventilation system. The inside-outside doors are falling apart. I would love to buy insulated types. We did do some repairs from a bequest."

Society members want to offer as much hope as possible to people who think they must give up their pets, she said.

"We get calls from Alamogordo because their shelter has a 72-hour limit," Doner said. "A woman recently called me in tears. She was in the military and had no one to care for her cat. We're an open-door shelter. We don't deny any animal who comes to us.

"If we could pick and choose, we could be a 'no-kill' shelter, but to give a glimmer of hope, we accept all."

Kim Doner
HSLC executive director

"If we could pick and choose, we could be a 'no kill' shelter, but to give a glimmer of hope we accept all. We do ask for donations if they are from out of this area and the people easily agree, because they are out of options."

The shelter currently is home to 30 puppies ranging from Australian shepherd mixes to Great Danes, Labradors and Boxers. Doner said she tries to work with puppy rescue groups and other organizations, "because we can't place them all. But our priority is adoption."

Adoptable pets are be checked out at ruidoso.petfinder.com and through a link on www.adoptNMpet.com, where donations also can be targeted for the local shelter.

Membership applications are available at the shelter and at the society office next to the thrift shop at 613 Sudderth Drive. Doner said she welcomes questions about the shelter and society and can be reached from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday though Friday, through the society's office number, 505-257-6201.

If someone is interested in serving on the society board, contact the office and pick up an application to submit to the nominating committee. The shelter is open from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday for people to visit. The morning hours are used to clean and care for the animals.

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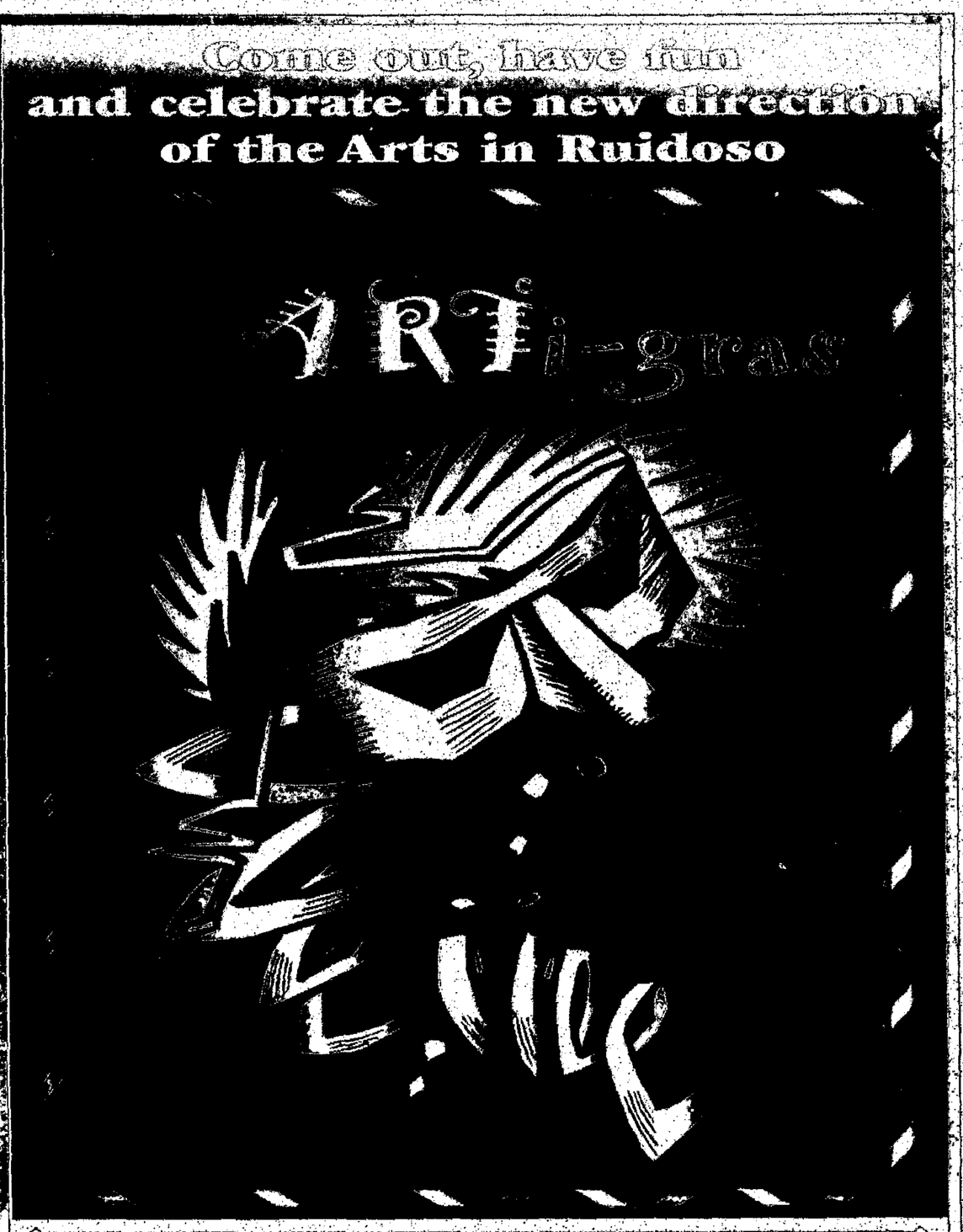

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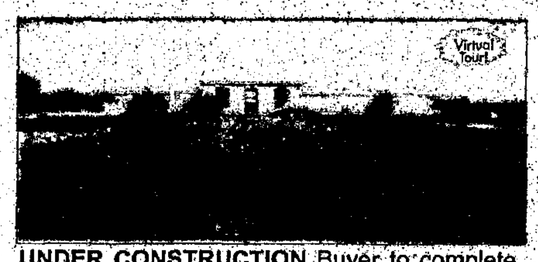

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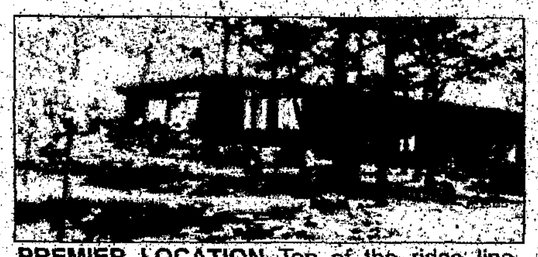

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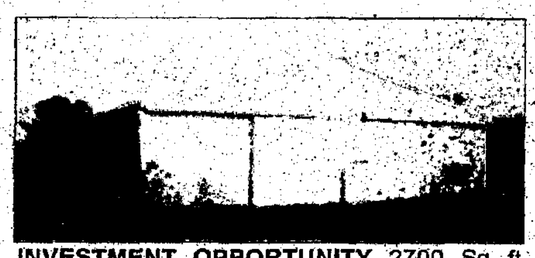

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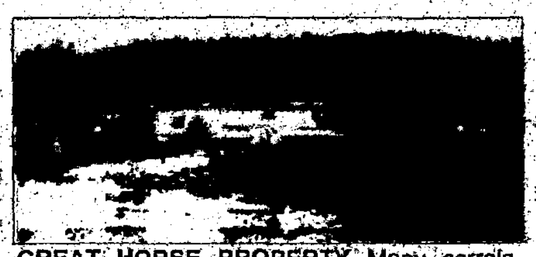

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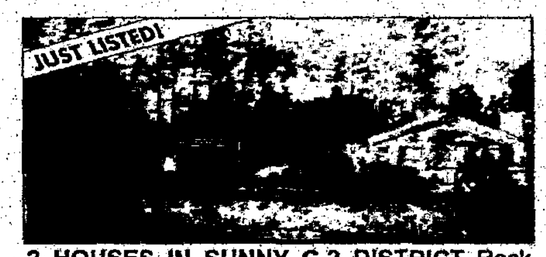

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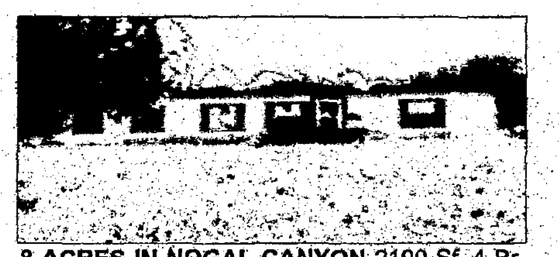

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Lady Warriors pound Lovington

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The Ruidoso ladies played Lovington even-up for three quarters, Tuesday, and then broke away in the fourth quarter to win, 80-55.

Through some fast play and good shooting, RHS found themselves ahead by the end of the first quarter, 20-16 and the tempo remained the same for the next period, with the Lady Warriors retaining the lead, 33-30, at the halfway mark.

In the third quarter, RHS increased their lead slightly, building a seven point cushion going into the last period, 52-45.

It was then that the Warriors started their run at the Wildcats, putting a real hurting on Lovington and outscoring them, 28 to 10.

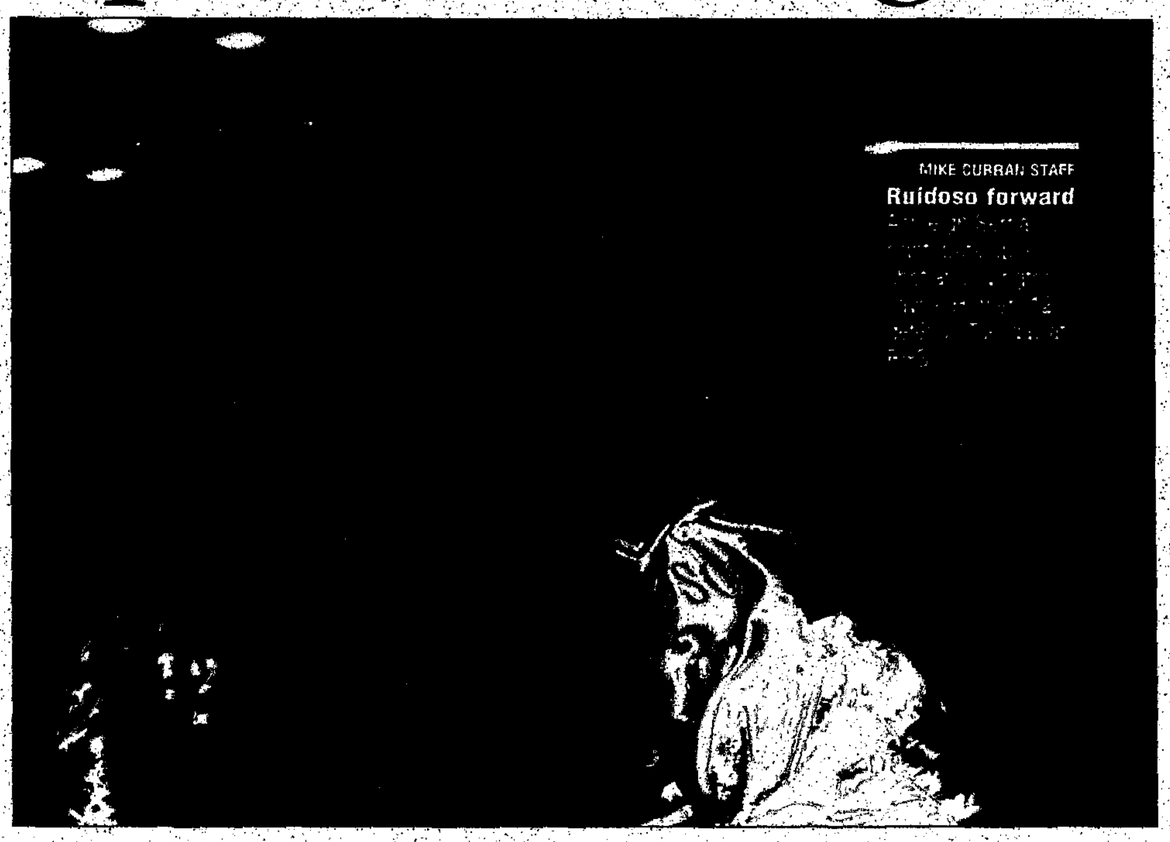
"Earlier in the season, we've been somewhat sluggish at times, but tonight the girls really picked it up and ran away with the game," Ruidoso coach Julie Montoya said. "We didn't have one of our most productive practices the day before but we all reached an understanding shortly afterward. I think this may have had some bearing on the outcome of this game."

The core of the Warrior team is comprised mainly of sophomores and therefore, young, but the future looks bright for this band of Warriors.

"This was a big game for us and we needed to win it," Montoya stated. "Sometimes, I don't think these girls realize, just how good they can be."

Three Warrior ladies climbed into double-digits. Allison Rigsby pumped in 20, followed by Haley Williams, who had 15 and Tonee Montoya chipped in 10. More importantly, however, almost all the other players scored five or more points. This has to be one of the main reasons RHS won so handily.

The Lady Warriors next see action in Dexter at 7 p.m. Saturday



MIKE CURRAN STAFF
Ruidoso forward

MIKE CURRAN/STAFF

As her teammates and parents look on, Ruidoso volleyball standout Mandy Gardner, front row, second from right, signs a letter of intent Thursday to attend Trinidad State Junior College.

Ruidoso's Gardner signs letter of intent

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Warrior volleyball stalwart Amanda Gardner will be going to Trinidad State Junior College next Fall. Mandy, as she likes to be called, signed a letter of intent, Thursday afternoon at Ruidoso High School. The ceremony was attended by school officials, as well as her parents and teammates.

As a star Warrior volleyballer, last season, Mandy achieved some well-earned honors. She was not only awarded first all-district but was also only one of two 3A players to be named to the New Mexico All-Star Team.

"Mandy was a very big part of our team, last year, and this scholarship she has received from Trinidad State couldn't happen to a nicer person," Warrior coach Steve Brown said.

Although Trinidad State is a small junior college, with an enrollment of about 700, it has a fine physical therapy department and this will be Mandy's intended field of study.

With an overall accumulative average of 3.0 at RHS she should do very well.

She should also excel in volleyball at Trinidad and has the experience to help her achieve that goal. With six years of school volleyball and three seasons of club ball with the Stealth Volley Nation, she should have no problem fitting in with the college program.

"I'm very thrilled to be going to Trinidad State," Gardner said. "They have a very good coaching program there and the team should do very well."

Trinidad will be getting one of Ruidoso's best.

Mescalero shocks Tularosa

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The Chiefs stunned Tularosa, Tuesday, beating the Wildcats for the first time ever, 69-63. This was also their first win in District 5-2A. After coming off two previous losses this was a huge victory for the Chiefs.

Early on, Mescalero led by 10 and although few knew it at the time, this portended the eventual outcome.

Branson Smith got into foul trouble early and although he scored a total of 17 points, only two were made in the last quarter before fouling out.

Justin Blake had 26 points for the game but more importantly, and rather obviously, everybody contributed to the astonishing achievement.

The Chiefs' ability to sink free throws contributed heavily in the win as they went 14 for 18 from the line.

Mescalero coach Ron Burton was thrilled for the school and the team when he said, "I'm very proud of our boys, naturally, and very elated for the school. This was a big, big win for Mescalero and hopefully, it will give the squad a needed boost in confidence to maintain the momentum they will need when Mesilla Valley comes here Saturday."

Lady Chiefs win squeaker

District play usually brings out the competitive spirit in all teams and Tuesday's contest with Tularosa at Mescalero was no different. Near the end, it was anybody's game but the Lady Chiefs pulled it out, 43-42.

Mescalero got off to a slow start and at the end of the first quarter, found themselves down, 13-8. Kelly King-Morgan took the reins in the second period, however, and scored 10 of her 14 points to help pull the Lady Chiefs to within one at the halfway mark, 23-22. Little did everyone know at the time, this would be a harbinger of things to come.

Defense, was the name of the game in the third quarter, but the Wildcats maintained the lead, going into the fourth period, 35-33

Tularosa kept the lead, until, with about 2:30 left in the game, Kelsey Duffy hit a crucial 3-pointer to tie the game, 40-40.

With about 1:30 left, Mescalero finally took the lead when Kayla Randall hit a lay-up and free throw to put the Chiefs in front, 43-40.

The Wildcats weren't through but could only manage a two pointer and the Lady Chiefs picked up a very close, hard fought victory.

Besides King-Morgan's 14 points, Randall and Duffy had nine, Melanie Bell put in six, Jessica Yellowcloud contributed three and Kyndra Hiles managed two.

Mescalero's record now stand 13-5, overall and 3-2 in district play. The Lady Chiefs next play, Saturday, 5 p.m., at Mesilla Valley.

Really, who was that masked man?

CURRAN EVENTS

BY MIKE CURRAN
SPORTS EDITOR

While I was growing up my mother would periodically try to warn me about the pitfalls of life, as every good mother is wont to do. To accomplish this, she would use metaphors, human interest stories, proverbs and other such axioms in a sometimes futile attempt to relay a certain truism to me. You know the ones I'm talking about; "If you lie down with dogs, you get up with fleas," "You reap what you sow," "Waste not, want not," and on and on they go.

One of the trite adages my mother told me often was, "You can't judge a book by its cover."

"Why, look at your father, Michael. He looks like some reclusive, eccentric down-and-outer who hasn't seen the light of day, in weeks. Few people are aware that he is a very bright architectual engineer."

"He is, mom?"

"Don't be smart, Michael. You're beginning to give me the 'vapors.' What's the moral to this story?"

"I believe you're telling me, 'You can't judge a book by its cover.' Did I win a prize, mom?"

I should have listened more attentively to her, as, later on in life, this one would come back to haunt me.

When my son was 10, I decided to pull him out of Little League and put him on a traveling AAU squad. I called the president of the league numerous times, left messages, but got no response. Finally, one evening he answered the phone and I briefly outlined my son's qualifications.

"Look, Mr. Curran, it's January. Both teams are filled, but I've heard some good things about your boy and so I tell you what I'll do. Bring him down to our indoor hitting cages and we'll see what he can do. I'll give him three chances to make one of the two teams."

I knew he was trying to get rid of me, but it was a chance, after all, and I quickly agreed.

A few days later, Michael and I arrived at the agreed upon location. We were both

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Ski Report

Ski Apache
For ticket prices and latest snow totals, call 257-9001
Ski report culled from www.skiapachesnowreport.com
New snow past week: 20 inches
Weather for Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 57. West wind between 5 and 10 mph.
Midway depth: 74 inches
Season total snowfall: 129 inches
Surface conditions: Hard packed and groomed
Skiing conditions: Good
Trails open:
Least Difficult: Bunny, Easy Street, The Ramp, Lower Deep Freeze, Snow Park, Moonshine Gulch, Lower Moonshine, Upper Spruce, SBT
More Difficult: Ambush, Chino, Meadows, East Meadows, East of East, Geronimo, Bone Yard, Chair 7 Lift Line, Capitan Lite, Capitan Heavy, Apache Bowl, Upper Deep Freeze, Game Trail, Elk Ridge, Bull Run, Bambi
Most Difficult: Trench, Wild Onion, Rover, Screaming Eagle, Dead End, The Terrible, Incredible, Upper Peebles, Lower Peebles, Chute, Mescalero, Caliente, Roy's Run, Upper Snow Park, Lincoln Lift Line, Gondola Lift Line, Ring Tail, Buckhorn, Oscar's, Bear, Cliff, Elk Lift Line, Top Notch, Sunny Side
Lifts open: 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 Gondola (weather permitting)
Trails groomed: Bunny, Easy Street, SBT, The Face, Moonshine Gulch, Lower Moonshine, Lower Deep Freeze, Capitan Heavy, Capitan Lite, Meadows, East Meadows, Geronimo, Dead End, Apache Bowl Ridge, Game Trail, Elk Ridge, Cliff, Elk Lift Line
Snowmaking past 24 hours: No
Forecast: Partly cloudy, Saturday, with a high near 57

Prep Results

Tuesday, Feb. 6
Boys Basketball
Portales 60, Ruidoso 45
Carrizozo 75, Hondo 69
Corona 54, Vaughn 47
Mescalero 69, Tularosa 63
Girls Basketball
Carrizozo 61, Hondo 34
Mescalero 43, Tularosa 42
Ruidoso 80, Lovington 55

Preps on Tap

SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Friday, Feb. 9
Boys Basketball
Dexter at Ruidoso 7 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 10
Boys Basketball
Jal at Capitan 6 p.m.
Mesilla Valley at Mescalero 5 p.m.
Girls Basketball
Mescalero at Mesilla Valley 3:30 p.m.
Ruidoso at Dexter 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 13
Boys Basketball
Capitan at Loving 7 p.m.
Vaughn at Corona 7 p.m.
Mescalero at Carrizozo 7 p.m.
Ruidoso at Lovington 7 p.m.
Girls Basketball
Capitan at Loving 5:30 p.m.
Mescalero at Lordsburg 7 p.m.

On Deck

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—Joseph A. Zagone here at Ruidoso and Alto

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Ruidoso ski team learns to take the bad with the good

LAURA DOTH
For the Ruidoso News

Athletic competition is full of lessons for both the participants and the fans. Ski racing is no different. The Ruidoso ski team had a mixed bag of results during recent competitions, some frustrating, others exhilarating.

Lexie Doth headed to the first of three Junior Olympic Qualifiers Jan. 27-28. Hosted by Crested Butte Ski Club, the Super G course was set over International, an extremely challenging hill with lots of surprises for the racers.

Due to limited snow, Crested Butte actually used the same hill that world cup racers ski during the U.S. Nationals. As a Junior Olympic Qualifier, the race featured only J3 racers. This means that all of the 200 racers were 13 or 14 years old.

During the Junior Olympic Qualifiers, competitors compete in six different races. The best two times from these six events will be used to determine which racers will progress to the Junior Olympics.

ZACH DOTH/FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Lexie Doth drops into her tuck for the final leg of the Super G during competition at a Junior Olympic Qualifier at the Crested Butte Ski Club.

The races at Crested Butte were strictly Super G events, so the racers were traveling a long distance at maximum speed. On Jan. 27, course setters set only 28 gates with 37 direction changes. Under partly cloudy skies, the snow was listed as packed powder.

Doth posted a time of 1:22.44 for a 60th place finish. On day two, she improved her placement by one, skiing into 59th place, but improving her time by almost a full second.

Lesson learned? The course was conquerable.

"This is really an intimidating course," said coach Mark Doth. "I was really pleased that Lexie skied the course technically very well. She really read the hill and laid down a good line.

"She also realized that a Super G can be fun, and not so scary. She's competing against kids who will be representing the U.S. in international competitions, so she did just fine for the day."

On Feb. 3-4, Peter Zagone headed north to conquer the mountains in Steamboat Springs. Competing in both a Slalom and a Giant Slalom, Zagone was ready for the race.

On snow listed as "soft," Zagone put together two solid runs on Feb. 3. Covering the Giant Slalom course in a time of 49.81 in the morning run, he posted a 54.42 in the afternoon. His combined time of 1:44.23 put him in 21st place out of 76 racers.

The Slalom race was scheduled for Feb. 4. Encouraged by his excellent placement in the Giant Slalom, Zagone prepared to really let his skis run on Sunday.

He put together two outstanding runs for the day, posting a morning run of 40.76 and an afternoon time of 39.94. His combined time of 1:20.70 catapulted him into 15th place, an outstanding finish for any competitive racer.

Lesson learned? You can compete at the top level.

"Peter really stepped up to the plate and put together some great runs," said coach Doth. "When you're competing at the FIS level, it is important to get those top 15 finishes and really bring your points down."

The Ruidoso Ski Team will be heading to Durango and Beaver Creek, Colo. as well as Taos Ski Valley this weekend for a variety of competitions.

Big district shootout in Carrizozo

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Two good teams faced each other down on the Carrizozo hardwood Tuesday, and when the smoke cleared, the Grizzlies survived the duel, 75-69.

Hondo came out to play in the fourth quarter but fortunately for Carrizozo, time ran out before the Eagles could overcome the Grizzlies.

Hondo put themselves in a hole early in the game, with turnovers and missed free throws and found themselves down at the end of the first quarter, 17-11.

The half closed with Carrizozo on top, 42-31, and the tempo of the game remained the same until the beginning of the fourth period. With the Grizzlies still ahead, 67-50, the Eagles put on a great run in the last quarter, outscoring Carrizozo, 19 to 8.

With 3:30 left, Hondo came to within four of tying the Grizzlies but missed free throws cost them dearly.

"Free throws killed us," maintained Hondo coach Henry Lopez. "We were only 14 out of 26 from the line and this hurt us badly. If we had started our run at Carrizozo earlier in the third period it might have been a different game. Still in all, the squad really gave a great effort in the fourth and for that they should be commended."

Four of the Eagles made double-digits with freshman, Jesus Medina scoring 19, Rico Lopez, also a freshman, put in 17, followed by Lawrence Gonzales with 12 and Leo Salcido managed 10.

Hondo took on Vaughn at home Thursday and will face off against Corona at home 6:30 p.m. Monday.

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nervous because we knew most of the players in the organization were some of the best baseball athletes from around the city.

After the usual social amenities were addressed, Michael was shown into one of the fastball cages and proceeded to hit. His nervousness soon dissipated as he began to focus on the mechanics of hitting. My apprehension, however, remained, and I spent most of my time pacing back and forth, while sneaking glances at his progress.

I made sure I was far enough back so as not to embarrass my son. The president of the league, who had been watching him intently, was soon joined by another man. I'll never forget that guy's appearrance. He looked like he had been rejected from some Salvation Army shelter. Upon his head, and pulled down to his ears, was an old navy-colored sock hat, and, peeking out from underneath it, was about two months of uncut, scraggly, salt and pepper hair. He had a full beard of the same coloring, and it didn't appear as though it had received any attention in quite some time, either.

To help complete his "worn look," he wore a stained black sweatshirt that had seen better days, along with a pair of rumpled, dark-colored pants.

After a while, the curious stranger yelled in to my son, "Good job, Michael, now let's go see what you can do in the curve-ball cage."

"Who is this guy?" I wondered aloud.

As my boy left the cage, the man put his arm around Michael's shoulders and walked him down toward the next hitting station. They were engaged in conversation about the art of hitting when I caught up with them.

"Is this your son, sir?" the disheveled man asked.

"Yes, sir, it is," I replied.

"Who taught him to wait so long on the ball?"

"Frank Porco did."

"Yeah, I've heard of Frank. He did a good job on Mike - the boy can hit."

Trying to inject an air of humility into the conversation, I added, "He can hit, but he can't run. He's slower than molasses."

"Don't worry about that – if he continues to hit like that, we'll find a place for him."

"This guy must be one of the coaches," I said to myself. "If he is, I hope his wife, or someone, cleans him up when the season begins."

Later on I went outside to get some air and I noticed the "man in black" in a doorway, by himself, intently puffing on a cigarette. He appeared as the sort of individual who didn't want anyone to intrude, or invade his space, and so I went about my business.

When I went back inside the building, I immediately looked around for my son, and I finally spotted him standing up against a wall. Alongside him stood the unknown individual and the two seemed to be engrossed in conversation.

"Who is this guy?" I wondered, as I strode over to hear what they were saying. As I stood beside the peculiar character, I happened to glance down at his hand. Worn upon one of his fingers was a rather large gold ring, and in the center of it there appeared to be an equally hefty diamond.

I couldn't take it any more – I had to find out who this guy was, and so I walked over to the president of the league, Brian Smith.

"Hey Brian, who is that guy standing over there, against the wall?"

"Which guy? There's six or eight of them standing there."

"The one talking to my son. You know, the one that looks as though he just walked down the gangplank of the recently materialized, Mary Celeste."

"What's the Mary Celeste?"

"It was a 19th-century schooner that... oh, nevermind. Who the heck is that guy?"

"You're kidding, right? How long have you lived in this town? You mean to tell me you don't recognize former Pirate manager Jim Leyland? See that big gold ring he's wearing? He received that for winning the World Series as skipper of the Marlins. You're just messin' with me, right?"

"What's he doing here?"

"Like you, he has a 10-year-old son on one of the teams, in addition to which he's a major sponsor of this organization. You were just messin' around with me, right?"

"Yea, Brian, I was just foolin' with ya."

A year later my son was asked to join another traveling team, and, a season after that, one weekend we found ourselves in Akron, Ohio, to participate in a large tournament there. His 12-year-old team had done very well earlier in the year, so the coach had moved the squad up to play 13s for the rest of the season.

We were fortunate to make it to the championship game where we were pitted against a large and talented Cleveland squad. My son was pitching, and, as always, I was tense to say the least.

I was standing somewhere out along the first-base side, slightly beyond the bag. That way, no one could hear me when I blurted out something obnoxious.

It was a tight game, going into the fourth inning, and once in a while I would grab the fence I was leaning on, just to relieve the anxiety I was suffering. I happened to casually glance to my right and there, previously unnoticed, stood another man. He was more leaning than standing and, at first, I thought he was somewhat intoxicated. It was evident he hadn't shaven in some time, his eyelids were half-closed and the front of his shirt was almost completely pulled out of his pants. I thought he was one of those unruly Cleveland fathers.

Just at that point, he spoke to me, "Is your son on this North Stars team?"

"Yes," was my intentional short reply.

"Which kid?"

"The pitcher," was my response, as I tried to subtly move away from my interrogator.

Just then, a pop-fly to the second baseman ended the inning, and one of the other fathers yelled from behind me, "Hey Mikey, lets go to the car trunks for some refreshment."

When I reached my friend and was safely out of earshot of the ill-kempt conversationalist, I could conceal my annoyance no longer.

"The nerve of some of these Cleveland people."

"What are you talking about, Curran? What Cleveland people?"

"That guy standing over there, close to where I was."

"He's not from Cleveland, he's from Pittsburgh. Don't you know who that is?"

"I know it's not Jim Leyland."

"No, it's not. That's Brad Henderson, the father of our shortstop Blake, and ... also, he happens to be the head trainer for the Pirates, ya dummy. He's been on a five-day roadtrip with the Buccos, and he just drove six hours to get here."

Without any hesitation whatsoever, and in a familiar tone, I loudly called over to my new-found friend, "Hey Brad, we're going to the parking lot for something drinkable. Care to join us?"

As we walked along, I remember having a silent conversation with my mother.

"You know, mom, you should have taught me 'harder.' Especially that one about, 'You can't judge a book by its cover.'"

Embezzlement bill passed by State Senate

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Santa Fe Bureau Chief

SANTA FE – The Senate, on a 30-5 vote Wednesday, passed a bill introduced by Sen. Steven Neville, R-Aztec, that will toughen the law for embezzlement.

The bill would make it a felony if more than $250 is taken during a 12-month period. Current law requires at least $250 to be taken in a single incident for the crime to be more than a misdemeanor.

"You can do that with your employer every day of the week, as long as you stay under $250," Neville said.

He said there were a number of notorious cases, such as that of an unscrupulous treasurer who wiped out the fund of the local Little League.

Senate Majority Leader Michael Sanchez, D-Belen, opposed the bill, saying it would result in embezzlement cases being dismissed. Sanchez is one of three criminal defense attorneys who voted against the bill – along with Sens. Cisco McSorley and John Grubesic. Others casting no votes were Linda Lopez and Linda Lovejoy.

Sen. William Payne, R-Albuquerque, is also an attorney, and he supported the bill.

"We're talking about an employee stealing $50 a day over period of time. Now, each is a separate misdemeanor," Payne said.

Neville said drug users have taken advantage of current weak laws to steal from their employers.

"In the state of New Mexico, we are seeing illegal drug users taking advantage of the system and advantage of their employers who have placed them in position of trust," Neville said.

The bill now moves to the House for consideration.

The bill is SB162, and can be found on the Internet at legis.state.nm.us

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Man arrested by Downs police commits suicide in cell

DEANNA CHENEY
For the Ruidoso News

A Mescalero man arrested Wednesday afternoon on charges of driving while under the influence is the subject of suicide investigation closed just 24 hours later.

Robert Cisco, 39, was found dead in his cell roughly four hours after his arrest. State Police have since ruled the death a suicide, noting clear indication that Cisco hung himself with a pair of socks.

Ruidoso Downs Police Chief Alfred Ortiz said it is a matter of procedure for officers and/or communications dispatch personnel to check on subjects held in detention about every one-half hour.

"In this case, one of our dispatchers found the subject unconscious and notified me," he said. "It's an unfortunate thing – something we certainly don't relish have happen – but it does happen."

Ortiz said that this is the third time he has seen a subject take his life during his 30 years in law enforcement.

He described Cisco as cooperative during and following the arrest and demonstrating no sign of violence toward himself or others.

Cisco was arrested around 3:30 p.m. when spotted driving erratically on Highway 70. He submitted to a field sobriety test and later failed a breathalizer test at Ruidoso police headquarters, before being booked in Ruidoso Downs.

State to celebrate Valentine's Day with DWI Super Blitz

ALBUQUERQUE – Valentine's day will mean more than dinner and a smooch from your loved one this year, as the New Mexico Department of Transportation will announce its Valentine's Day Super Blitz.

The blitz – with the theme of "Kiss It Goodbye," will focus on all the things that can be lost following a conviction for DWI in New Mexico.

"There are a lot of valuable things that one can lose with a DWI conviction," said Rachel O'Connor, the state's DWI czar. "They include money, time, one's job, automobile and driver's license. When you think about the many consequences, DWI is simply not worth the risk."

The super blitz runs from Feb. 9-25 in the five counties where DWI has historically been the deadliest: Bernalillo, Dona Ana, McKinley, Rio Arriba and San Juan. It features a period of increased law enforcement coupled with a public awareness campaign.

"Drunk driving is no accident, nor is it a victimless crime," O'Connor said. "Driving any vehicle – including a motorcycle – while impaired is simply wrong and not worth the risk. If you go out drinking, designate a driver before your party."

Your home and car are protected...what about your identity?

■ New Mexico ranks No. 10 in identity theft victims, while Las Cruces makes the top 25 list for largest metropolitan areas for victims.

LAS CRUCES – The Federal Trade Commission recently released its annual report of consumer fraud and identity theft complaints, ranking New Mexico No. 10 in the country for identity theft victims, with 82.9 complaints per 100,000 population and 1,621 total complaints. Arizona ranked No. 1 for identity theft victims with 147.8 complaints per 100,000, or 9,133 total complaints.

Las Cruces ranked No. 24 on the list of largest metropolitan areas for identity theft consumer complaints, with 160.1 complaints per 100,000 and 298 complaints overall. The No. 1 metro market for identity theft consumer complaints is Napa, Calif., with 304.5 complaints per 100,000 or 403 total complaints

For the complete report, go to www.ftc.gov/opa/2007/02/topcomplaints.htm.

While most people are familiar with the concept of buying insurance to help restore damaged homes and cars, they may be less familiar with a new form of insurance that helps people restore a stolen identity.

Allstate Insurance Co. offers identity theft expenses coverage in Nevada, giving Allstate customers access to specialized identity restoration services as well as options to seek reimbursement for expenses incurred in the identity restoration process.

As with many crimes, the recovery process for the victim of an identity theft crime can be lengthy.

"The average identity theft victim spends 30 hours, spread over days and weeks, trying to correct problems caused by ID theft," said Allstate Product Specialist Lorre McGee. "That's time taken away from their families, from their work, from their already disrupted lives. Allstate is giving our customers the option of handing this difficult task to professionals who can do the work for them, saving time and making a difficult situation more bearable."

Allstate's identity theft expenses coverage is available for Allstate homeowners and renters insurance policyholders for about $30 a year. The coverage provides access to identity restoration assistance from an independent firm that specializes in addressing and correcting the effects of identity theft. If customers do their own leg work, Allstate's policy provides up to $25,000 in reimbursement coverage for expenses incurred to restore their identity, including attorney fees, loan reapplication fees, credit report fees and lost wages.

"Many victims of identity theft don't know where or how to start the recovery process," McGee said.

What identity restoration professionals do:

- Help victims understand their rights.
- File paperwork, including police reports.
- Issue fraud alerts to organizations including credit reporting agencies, the Social Security Administration, Federal Trade Commission, U.S. Post Office, credit card companies and banks.
- Work with credit agencies to correct and restore credit.
- Review credit histories for irregularities.
- Trace Social Security numbers, notify and work with motor vehicle departments, collection agencies, creditors and law enforcement personnel.

Tips to reduce vulnerability

Allstate's identity theft expenses coverage helps victims of ID theft recover their lives, but it is still up to every individual to protect themselves from this crime. The following tips can help make individuals less vulnerable to identity theft.

- Don't carry unneeded credit cards.
- Cancel all unused, lost or stolen credit card accounts immediately.
- Keep personal documents such as Social Security cards, birth certificates and similar documents in a secure lock box or safety deposit box instead of carrying the documents, or copies, in a wallet.
- Obtain credit history reports to review the information for any unauthorized activity. Keep careful track of all receipts. Store personal data and receipts in a safe place or destroy them before putting them in the trash.
- Do not give out personal identity information such as a Social Security number to any person or company unless you are familiar with them and you have initiated the conversation.

RUIDOSO POLICE BRIEFS

Window breakers

Sometime during the night between Feb. 1 and 2, a window of a business on the 1100 block of Sudderth Drive was broken. Total cost of the window is estimated at $300, and there are no suspects at this time.

Attempted break-in

A car parked on West Highway 70 had its electronic door lock shorted out by someone attempting to break in during the night of Jan. 24. Cost to repair the lock was $400, with no suspects at this time.

Mistaken identity

Two men from Roswell made a bad choice Feb. 4 when they started a fight with two men in front of Allsups in Ruidoso Downs. Charles Stephens, 27, and Anthony Sosa, 24, were cited into Magistrate Court for assault and battery. Upon being stopped by Ruidoso police, Stephens admitted he thought the man he attacked was someone else and he had the wrong person. He admitted he was in the wrong and "will take the fall."

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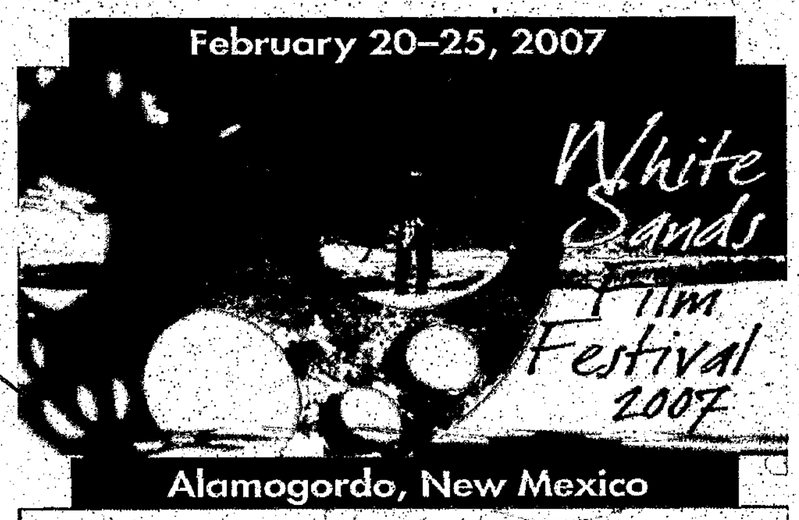

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First Assembly of God
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BAPTIST

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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.

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St. Theresa Catholic Church Corona. Sunday Mass: 6 p.m.

St. Joseph's Apache Mission Mescalero. Father Paul Botenhagen, OFM. Sunday Mass, 10:30 a.m.

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CHRISTIAN

Christian Community Church 127 Rio Corner W/Eagle. Mid-town. 9-11 Sunday Services/Praise & Worship. For more information call: 378-7076

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Gateway Church of Christ 415 Sudderth, Ruidoso, 257-4381. Jimmy Sportsman, Minister. Sunday Morning worship: 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Bible Class: 11:00 a.m.; Mid-Week Service: Wed. 6:30 p.m.

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST LDS

Church of Jesus Christ LDS Ruidoso Branch, 1091 Mechem Dr. President W. Leslie Nielsen, (505) 258-1253 or (505) 258-1254. Sunday schedule: Sacrament starts at 10 a.m.; Sunday School; Priesthood and Relief Society.

Church of Jesus Christ LDS Mescalero Branch, 671-4630. Wayne King, President. 505-434-0622. Sunday: Sacrament meeting 10 a.m.; Sunday School and Primary 11:20 a.m.; Priesthood Relief Soc. & Young Women, 12:10 a.m.

EPISCOPAL

Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount 121 Mescalero Trail, Ruidoso. Fr John Huffman, Team Leader. Sunday Eucharist Rite I: 8:00 a.m.; Rite II - 10:30 a.m., nursery available for the 10:30 service; Sunday School: 10:30; Youth Group 1:30-3:30. Wednesday: Daughters of King at noon; Eucharist 5:30 p.m.

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

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LUTHERAN

Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church
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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

PENTECOSTAL

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The Apostolics of Lincoln County, UPC Center 1011 Mechem Dr., Unit 11. Pastor, Art Dunn. Sunday morning, 10:00 AM, Adult, childrens & youth classes. Free home Bible studies.

PRESBYTERIAN

First Presbyterian Church 101 Sutton Drive (Nob Hill), Ruidoso, 257-2220. Guest Ministers weekly. 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 Schring. 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. Thurs.: Kid's Club (grades 1-5) 3:30.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

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.

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

Unitarian Universalist Church, meets 2nd & 4th Sundays; 9:30 a.m. Service; 11:00a.m. Potluck Brunch. Call 336-2170 or 354-0602 for location.

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 - Kid-in-Revival 11:00 am; Domingo Servicio General 11:00 am. *All Services are Bilingual* - Translators Available -

Christ Church in the Downs Ruidoso Downs, 378-8464. Al and Marty Lane, Pastors. Sunday: 8:00 Sun a.m., 10:45 am. Children's ministries concurrent with late Sunday Services. Sat. outreach at 1pm. at church. Thursday: 7 p.m.

Cornerstone Church Cornerstone Square, 613 Sudderth Drive, 257-9265. John & Joy Wyatt, Pastors. Sunday School, 9:45, Church, 10:30 a.m.; 6:30 p.m. with Children's Church Sun. Eve. Handicap Services 11 a.m. Wed. Leadership Class 6 p.m. & Prayer 7 pm. Wed. Bible Study Adult 7 p.m. Thurs. and Youth, Thurs. 7 p.m.

Cowboy Church Noon Sundays at the Glencoe Rural Events Center. Everyone welcome. Preacher Buster Reed of Amarillo. Call 378-4840 for more info.

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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

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CATHOLIC

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
Capitan, 354-9102. Saturday Mass: 5 p.m.; Sunday Mass: 8:30 a.m.; Monday Adult Bible Study: 6 p.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Capitan – Highway 48. Les Earwood, 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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ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Carrizozo Community Church (A/G)
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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 Berge, Pastor. Saturday Mass: 6:30 p.m.; Sunday Mass: 10:30 a.m., Tuesday Adult Bible Study: 6 p.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Perry Zumwalt, 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 & E 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

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.

MESCALERO

Carrizo Christian Fellowship Leonard Kanesewah 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

Don't worry about paying for unsolicited trinkets

Q: I'm a Catholic, and over the years I've received a tremendous number of religious medals, pictures, cards, coins, etc., through the mail.

I really don't know what to do with these items. I feel guilty not sending money for them or simply throwing them away.

I do use some of these things, for which I do send money. Any thoughts?

– A., New Haven, Conn.

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A. If you receive a sample bottle of shampoo with your Sunday newspaper, you're not obligated to pay for the shampoo. Likewise, if you receive unsolicited religious items in the mail, you are not obligated to send money.

The reason you're being deluged with these trinkets and cards is that obviously the charities you do support have shared their mailing lists with other groups.

There's nothing wrong with these groups sending you things and trying to alert you to the good work they do.

However, just like you must use careful consideration when you make purchasing decisions, so too we advise all our friends to make equally careful decisions about which charities they support.

A charity worthy of God Squad endorsement ought to have administrative costs well below 33 percent of what the group takes in, and costs of under 20 percent are even more desirable.

You can check out reviews of charities on the Web at charitynavigator.org, give.org, charitywatch.org and guidestar.org.

Never donate money to a charity unless they promise to share their list of contributors.

Our view is also that any items with the name of God on them ought to be disposed of with dignity.

Q: My first marriage ended in divorce in 1987. My wife no longer wanted to remain in a committed relationship and was also seeing someone else just prior to the end of our marriage. I was raised Catholic and did obtain an annulment.

I have been remarried for seven years now. I dated my current wife for three years prior to getting married.

There was a 12-year span between getting divorced and getting remarried. My current wife is also Catholic, although we were remarried in a Methodist church because she would not obtain the annulment.

What is the view of our marriage in the eyes of the Church and in the eyes of God?

My first marriage was severely lacking in commitment. My current marriage is one of shared commitment and faith in Jesus Christ.

This bond is strong, until death do us part.

I'm not altogether clear on what I have understood the Bible to say about remarriage, and I'd like some clarification. Can you help?

– F., Rochester, N.Y.

A. For the Catholic Church, the view is clear. Both you and your wife must be free to marry, and although you are free, your wife is not yet free.

Send questions only to The God Squad, Telecare, 1200 Glenn Curtiss Blvd., Uniondale, NY 11553; post them on the God Squad Web site: www.askthegodsquad.com; or email them to: godsquad@telecaretv.org.

Wars and conflict will continue until the day that Jesus comes

Q: Do you honestly think there's any hope for a better world?

It seems like there are wars and conflicts everywhere you look, and no matter what we do the world just gets worse and worse.

– Mrs. R.I.

Billy Graham
MY ANSWER
TRIBUNE MEDIA SERVICES

A: There always have been wars and conflicts in the world, ever since Cain – one of the sons of Adam and Eve in the Bible – killed his brother, Abel (see Genesis 4:1-16). And the Bible indicates they will continue right up until the day Jesus Christ comes again to bring about "a new heaven and a new earth, the home of righteousness" (2 Peter 3:13).

Why is this? What is the problem?

The basic problem isn't economic, political or social in nature.

Those things may contribute to wars and conflicts and make them worse – but they aren't the real cause. The real cause of our conflicts is within ourselves – within our own hearts and minds.

If our hearts weren't filled with greed and anger and lust and selfishness, our conflicts would vanish and our wars would cease.

But they are filled with these evils – and the inevitable result is conflict.

Jesus said, "For out of the heart come evil thoughts, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false testimony, slander" (Matthew 15:19).

This is why we need Christ, for only He can forgive us of our sins and change us from within.

And He will, as we open our hearts and lives to Him and let Him replace these evil things with His love and joy.

If you have never done so, open your heart to Christ today. Then ask God to help you bring peace to those around you and to our world, by pointing them to Jesus Christ.

Send your queries to "My Answer," c/o Billy Graham, Billy Graham Evangelistic Association, 1 Billy Graham Parkway, Charlotte, N.C., 28201; call 1-(877) 2-GRAHAM, or visit the Web site for the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association: www.billygraham.org.

Giving God the glory at the Super Bowl

Super Bowl – I suppose I shouldn't have used that trademarked and copyrighted term, without permission. Well, what the heck!

Super Bowl weekend has come and gone. The Colts won the game, but both the Colts and the Bears came out winners.

With head coaches who are class acts and a cast of players doing their best under difficult conditions, we were entertained.

Grossman and Manning led their teams – Grossman, much maligned and criticized, and Manning, put down for not winning the big one.

And guess who lost the game. The NFL. Oh, I am sure they made lots of money. But the new NFL commissioner lost big time when he said churches could not have "Super Bowl" parties, so called.

Clary-fications
BY CHARLES CLARY
RUIDOSO PASTOR

He said churches couldn't charge admission. (I have never heard of any church charging admission for a Super Bowl party.) Churches could not project on a screen larger than fifty inches. Sports bars were O.K., but not churches.

In the face of the obvious slap against people of faith (I am assuming they included mosques and temples, not just churches), Lovie Smith, Tony Dungy, and Bob Irsay confessed their faith in God and Jesus Christ.

They gave God the glory for getting them through difficult times before and during the season and the game.

Thank God for three men in the public eye who could stand for what they believe and not cave in to political correctness.

I heard people say the rain was really not God's tears of sorrow at the NFL's mishandling of the situation, but tears of joy over faithful, Christian gentlemen.

Other teams in the NFL were "could'a, would'a, should'as" but da Bears and the Colts were the ones to make it.

I believe with all my heart that they made it with coaches who didn't curse and berate their players, but encouraged them and helped them learn and never give up.

Their players received help for the day and hope for tomorrow.

My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience.

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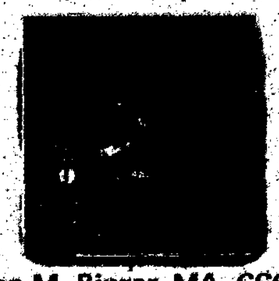

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1 Corinthians 13 4-8

4 Love suffers long and is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself ; is not puffed up;

5. Does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, thinks no evil;

6 Does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth;

7 Bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

8 Love never fails.

House of Representatives unanimously passes bill against funeral demonstrators

■ Named for Army Spec. Alexander Jordan who was killed in Baghdad

WALTER RUBEL
Santa Fe Bureau Chief

SANTA FE — Funerals in New Mexico would become a safe haven from demonstrators under a bill passed unanimously Thursday by the House of Representatives.

House Bill 186 has been named for Army Spec. Alexander Jordan of Rio Rancho, who was killed last year during an ambush in Baghdad.

Members of a Kansas church who travel the country protesting at military funerals came to Rio Rancho to demonstrate during his service in September.

Applies to all funerals

The bill applies to not only military services, but all funerals.

It prohibits loud singing or chanting, threatening gestures, abusive epithets and displays within 500 feet of a service.

It also outlaws any attempt to block access to the funeral service, and any demonstration at the home of a surviving member.

The first offense is a petty misdemeanor, the second offense a full misdemeanor and the third a fourth-degree felony.

Beautiful that it's unanimous

"It's beautiful that it's unanimous," said Bill Rager, a member of the Patriot Riders – a group of veterans who use their motorcycles to shield mourners from protesters. "We need to show respect, and protesting at a funeral is just not the place to do it. We don't want to do away with anyone's rights. We just want to make sure we show respect."

The federal "Respect for Fallen Heroes Act" urges state legislatures to enact laws restricting demonstrations at military funerals.

Twenty-nine states passed same

Twenty-nine other states have passed similar legislation. The law has been challenged in three states, but was upheld each time, according to information by the state Veterans' Services Department.

The law is clearly designed to deal with the Rev. Fred Phelps and members of his Westboro Baptist Church in Topeka, Kan. Phelps and his followers celebrate the deaths of U.S. soldiers, believing it is a punishment from God for the nation's acceptance of homosexuality.

"These families have suffered enough, and to add insult to their injury is simply unacceptable," said Rep. Al Park, D-Albuquerque. "It's unbearable. And frankly, it's un-American."

Religious intolerance

Rep. Joseph Cervantes, D-Las Cruces, said the protests were the result of "religious intolerance," while the soldiers died to protect a society that embraces tolerance.

The bill now moves to the Senate, where a duplicate piece of legislation has been introduced by Sen. William Sharer, R-Farmington.

The bill is HB186, and can be found on the Internet at legis.state.nm.us

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Al Park
Representative, D-Albuquerque

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Melvin (Pete) Tagtmeyer

Melvin (Pete) Tagtmeyer passed away February 3 at his daughter's home in Albuquerque. Pete was born in Alma, Missouri on 27 February 1920. Pete served honorably as a Gunnery Sergeant in the U.S. Marines from 1941 to 1945 in the Pacific Theater. During a brief interlude from the war, he returned to the U.S. to marry his sweetheart, Virginia Best. The Tagtmeyers moved to Hobbs, New Mexico in 1951, then to Ruidoso in the Seventies. Pete had a long career in construction and supervising construction sites. He worked for Bill Jordan Contractors for 35 years, where he became a superintendent. The Tagtmeyers were active in their community and attended the Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, where Pete donated his time to build the stone altar for the new church. He served as Trustee of the Ruidoso B.P.O. Elks Lodge, Governor of the Alamogordo Moose Lodge, and lifetime member of the Hobbs American Legion.

Pete is preceded in death by his wife, Virginia. He is survived by his daughter Connie Maple of Hilo Hawaii, grandson, Air Force Captain Keegan Maple stationed at Ramstein AB, Germany, granddaughter, Tiana Maple of Hilo, Hawaii, and a sister, Viola Schmalz of Florida. Services to be held at Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, 1120 Hull Road, Ruidoso, New Mexico, on Monday 12 February at 11 a.m., preceded by 10 a.m. viewing. Interment will be at the Veteran's Cemetery in Hilo, Hawaii next to his wife Virginia.

Bobbie Herron

Bobbie Frances Rhoten Herron, 75, took a flight to heaven surrounded by angels, Wednesday, January 31, 2007. She was preceded in death by Debbie LaTrell Daniel. Bobbie was born on January 28, 1932 to R.J. Rhoten and Ethel Bedford, in Paradise, Texas.

Services will be held on Saturday, February 3, 2007 at 1:00 p.m. at Resthaven's Abbey Chapel with Rev. Jerry Huggins officiating. Interment will follow in Resthaven Memorial Park. Visitation with Bobbie and the family will be on Friday, February 2, 2007 from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. at Resthaven Funeral Home.

Bobbie grew up in the Amherst-Littlefield area and was Valedictorian of her Amherst High School class. Bobbie came to Lubbock with many of her friends and attended Draughan's Business College looking for adventure.

Bobbie married James Arthur Thompson and became a proud mother of two children, Kathy and Debbie.

Mom met her soul mate of 51 years, Logan Edward Herron. She was blessed with two more children, Robyn Herron Wright and Logan Evan Herron.

Her love for her family and her generous heart has made a lasting impression that will be always remembered. She mastered being a mother, wife, and friend and set an example for all others to follow. Her life by all means was full; she traveled the states and abroad with her husband after retirement. She loved reading, Garden Center activities, bowling, bridge games, and was an avid Lady Raiders fan.

She is survived by her husband, Logan Herron, three children, Kathy Thompson, Robyn Wright, Evan Herron, a brother, William E. Rhoten, eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the American Kidney Fund, 6110 Executive Blvd., Ste, 1010, Rockville, MD 20852, VistaCare Hospice, 1717 Norfolk Ave., 4th Floor, Lubbock, TX 79416, or to a favorite charity.

Sue Carol Hoover

On January 31, 2007, our mother and grandmother, Sue Hoover, age 59, passed away due to complications from breast cancer.

Sue lived in Austin, Texas for many years, until relocating to Ruidoso in 2004 to be closer to her family. Sue had three children and five grandchildren. She worked for Longs Drugstore for most of that two year period and then worked for Burkes Outlet for a couple of months before moving back to Austin.

Sue is survived by her father, Kenneth Simpson, a brother, Kenneth "Bud" Simpson, a sister, Mickie Lawson, a daughter, Sheri D. Garner, one granddaughter, Siera Garner, a son, Samuel "Brian" Hoover, a daughter and fiancé, Stephanie R. Hoover and Diego Hernandez, four grandsons, Charlie Fuentes, Dominic, Tony, and Miguel Hernandez. She is further survived by nieces, nephews, and other relatives and friends. she was proceeded in death by her mother. memorial services, for local family and friends, will be scheduled at a later date.

FUNERALS DEATHS

Frank W. Sultemeier

Frank W. Sultemeier, 90, passed away Wednesday, Feb. 7, 2007 in Roswell.

He was born into a New Mexico pioneer ranching family May 20, 1916, at Varney, near Corona.

His father was Frank Sultemeier, Sr., and his mother was Dulcie Marietta Sultemeier.

He grew up raising sheep with his mother, father, and two brothers, Clint and Ernest, southeast of Corona along the Gallo Canyon.

Dulcie, Frankie, Clintie and Ernie moved into Corona during the school year, so the boys could attend Corona Public Schools.

Frank graduated from Corona High School in 1935. During the mid 1930s, there was a terrible drought in New Mexico. Frank Sultemeier, Sr., and Dulcie Sultemeier decided to take 10,000 head of sheep, their horses, and boys to Arizona to wait out the drought.

The Sultemeiers loaded the sheep and horses on a train at Lucy, near Encino, and unloaded them in Seligman, Ariz.

They stayed in Arizona for two years.

When they returned to New Mexico, Frank married his childhood sweetheart Jean Franks, on Sept. 18, 1937. Jean's father's ranch was next to the Sultemeiers.

They knew each other all of their lives. Frank and Jean raised three children on their ranch; Melvin, Marietta and Connie Lynn.

They all loved the ranching life. Jean died Sept. 18, 1977. It was their 40th wedding anniversary.

Frank spent 16 years as a dedicated member of the Corona School Board. Besides his love for ranching, and his family, he loved to hunt and fish.

Frank also could fix almost anything or make almost anything. Frank and Jean built their home on the ranch.

He also worked with leather, making many family members and friends belts. He also made a saddle.

He made bridles for the horses or whatever might be needed.

Frank never called in a veterinarian to doctor the sheep, horses or cattle. He did it himself and with great success.

Frank married Catherine Conner April 27, 1978. He continued ranching and living a very active life.

He liked to read, enjoyed Western art and music. Even though he was 90 years old, he continued branding calves, marking lambs, shipping and feeding. He could do much more than most people 90 years old.

Frank is survived by Catherine Sultemeier, of Corona; son Melvin Sultemeier and wife Marion Kay of Corona; daughter Marietta of Ignacio, Colo.; and daughter Connie Lynn Sultemeier of Albuquerque.

Frank's grandchildren are Brent Sultemeier and wife Tammie of Bayfield, Colo; Sabra Davidson and husband Jack Allen of Corona; John Powell and wife Donna of Ignacio; Andrew Powell of Ignacio; Ross Powell and wife Mary of Durango, Colo.; Brandon Ledbetter and Colt Ledbetter of Albuquerque.

Great-grandchildren include Tysa and Ryan Davidson of Corona; Jesse and Kaitlin Powell of Delores, Colo; Jennie Jo Powell of Denton, Texas; and Cole Powell of Bella Vista, Ariz.

Frank is also survived by brother and sister-in-law Ernest and Allene Sultemeier of Albuquerque; sister-in-law Juanita Sultemeier of Roswell; and nieces and nephews.

Frank was preceded in death by his wife Jean Sultemeier; parents Frank and Dulcie Sultemeier; brother, Clint Sultemeier; son-in-law, John Powell; and niece Lois Ann Mullins.

Frank was a member of the Corona Presbyterian Church, the New Mexico Cattle Growers, New Mexico Wool Growers, New Mexico Farm Bureau and the National Rifle Association.

There will be a viewing at 2 -5 p.m. Friday, Feb. 9, 2007 at Harris-Hanlon Mortuary Chapel in Moriarty.

A graveside funeral service will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 10. at Corona Cemetery in Corona. Pastor Terry Aiello will be officiating. Pallbearers are Brent Sultemeier, Jack Allen Davidson, Colt Ledbetter, Ross Powell, John Powell, David Bonner and Mark Sultemeier.

Honorary pallbearers will be all Frank's friends, neighbors and loved ones. Arrangements are entrusted to Harris-Hanlon Mortuary.

BIRTHS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Recent births at Lincoln County Medical Center

Dec. 4, 2006, a boy, Richard Daniel DeSantis, 8 lb, 3 oz, 21", to Sonya Bason and Matthew DeSantis

Jan. 17, 2007, a boy, Luis Angel Macias, 7 lb, 15.5 oz, 20", to Maria and Jose Macias

Jan. 19, 2007, a girl, Mackenzie Rose Kanesewah, 6 lb, 12.3 oz, 18 1/2", to Aleli and Leonard Kanesewah III

Jan. 20, 2007, twin girls, Jaya Brooke Trujillo, 4 lb, 4.8 oz, 16 1/2", and Mea Jess Trujillo, 4 lb, 1.0 oz, 16", to Jessica and Jason Trujillo

Jan. 23, 2007, a girl, Teeah Marie Gilliam, 6 lb, 6.9 oz, 19 1/2", to Trina and Douglas Gilliam

Jan. 25, 2007, a boy, Tyler Justin Page, 6 lb, 3.7 oz, 19", to Jeannette Lindsey and Justin Page

Jan. 26, 2007, a girl, Madison Faith Darby, 6 lb, 13.9 oz, 21", to Amber Darby

Jan. 30, 2007, a girl, Jewel Mae Joy, 7 lb, 3 oz, 20 1/2", to Angie and Jared Joy.

Jan. 30, 2007, a girl, Daniela Lucero, 8 lb, 3.6 oz, 21 3/4" to Janeth and Filiberto Lucero.

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New Mexico moves toward universal health coverage

■ Health Coverage for New Mexicans Committee identifies models that will provide coverage for New Mexicans

SANTA FE – The Health Coverage for New Mexicans Committee, chaired by Lt. Governor Diane Denish and appointed by Governor Bill Richardson and the Legislative leadership last July, has identified three health care models that will move New Mexico toward universal health coverage.

"These models and the financial analysis of them will guide the recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature to get every New Mexican the health care coverage they deserve," said Lieutenant Governor Denish.

"Our aim is systemic reform toward universal health coverage," Denish continued.

In December, an agreement was reached on behalf of the Committee, between the state and Mathematica Policy Research, Inc. (Mathematica), to conduct an extensive quantitative and comparative analysis of three health coverage models to bring universal health coverage to New Mexico, which will be presented over the summer for consideration for next year's 2008 Legislative session.

Over the past four years, the state has increased access to affordable health care solutions for New Mexico's small employers through the Insure New Mexico! initiatives. "This next step is moving from an incremental to a comprehensive approach.

"The Committee is taking reasonable and measured steps to ensure transparency in the process and a responsible analysis," said Denish.

The analysis will consider the costs to employers, the state, individuals and families and health care companies compared to taking no action with the current system. "Before we proceed on recommending and ultimately adopting a model, we need to understand the ultimate benefits of bringing health care reform to New Mexicans."

"Cost alone, however, will not be the determining factor for any final model proposed and adopted by the Committee," said Denish.

Three approaches

The three models chosen take different approaches to providing a comprehensive or universal approach to provide health insurance or coverage for New Mexicans.

The models are:

•The Health Security Act, which is a single, statewide health care plan, in which all residents who have lived in New Mexico for a year or more would have benefits mirroring those of state employees.

The plan's spokesperson calls it a "homegrown, homespun, New Mexico plan," operating as a citizens' co-op involving the use of public and private funds.

This is a single plan administered by a commission appointed by the Governor.

•The New Mexico Health Choices Plan, which would give New Mexicans a range of private and government options to obtain affordable health insurance.

This market-based model is based on government-subsidized vouchers provided to individuals.

•The New Mexico Health Coverage Plan, which is also a market-based universal-coverage plan that would preserve roles for both the current public and private health care system in the state, and includes a requirement that everyone have insurance including a clear role for employers.

It would include an expansion of Medicaid and incentives for employers to provide health insurance for workers.

Five point plan

The 23-member Committee and four advisors appointed by the Governor and the Legislative leadership represents selected these models from several presented to them.

"The Governor has put an aggressive plan in place to cover all New Mexicans, and agrees with the principles set forth ... that universal health coverage is a realistic opportunity."

Pamela Hyde
Human Services Department

The Committee is one point in Governor Bill Richardson's Five Point Plan to close the uninsured gap.

"The Governor has put an aggressive plan in place cover all New Mexicans, and agrees with the principles set forth by the Committee that universal health coverage is a realistic opportunity for all people living in New Mexico to purchase or be provided with public or private health care coverage," said Secretary Pamela Hyde, Human Services Department and member of the Committee.

Next steps of the Health Coverage for New Mexicans Committee are:

April 2007 – Preliminary report from Mathematica on cost analysis of three health care models;

June 2007 – Final report and presentation from Mathematica and Committee's recommendations on next steps;

July – November 2007 – Mathematica report and Committee recommendations considered and discussed by Interim Legislative committees, Executive and stakeholders; and;

January – February 2008 – Committee legislation introduced in the 2008 New Mexico State Legislature.

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Cardiovascular disease is the number one cause of death in this country – for women as well as men.

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It's easy to take the heart for granted, especially if you're a woman used to hearing about heart problems in men. But cardiovascular disease is the leading killer of both women and men in this country.

Nearly one million people in the United States die of it every year, and according to the American Heart Association, more than half of them are women.

The good news: Heart disease is largely preventable, and the American Heart Association is suggesting ways to reduce your risk by eating better and getting more active.

One of the easiest and most delicious ways to protect your heart is to trade in some of what you're eating for more of the heart-protective power foods.

Hints for the Home
BY MARSHA PALMER
LINCOLN COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT - HOME ECONOMICS

Power Foods

Berries

Blackberries, blueberries, cranberries, raspberries and strawberries are great sources of cholesterol-fighting soluble fiber.

They also contain the antioxidant vitamin C, which can prevent fatty buildup in arteries.

Olive oil

Olive oil provides beneficial monounsaturated fat and antioxidants such as vitamin E.

And it can help lower cholesterol levels when you use it to replace equal amounts of saturated fat.

Olives, like nuts, are high in calories, so use them in moderation.

Add unheated extra-virgin olive oil to salad dressings, or drizzle it on roasted or grilled vegetables, chicken and fish.

Nuts

Almonds, hazelnuts, and walnuts provide your brain and body with fuel without cholesterol-raising saturated fats.

Almonds contain arginine, a protein that keeps arteries elastic, and phytochemicals that help lower bad cholesterol levels. Toast them to maximize their flavor.

Salmon

Full of omega-3 essential fatty acids, salmon and other cold-water fatty fish are an excellent source of lean protein.

Think small portions (4-ounce servings) twice a week. If you're concerned about reports of toxins in fish, buy wild salmon and trim off the skin and excess fat.

The facts on flax seed

Working flax seed and flax seed oil into your diet is a simple way to give your heart a boost.

Like salmon, walnuts, canola oil and soybeans, flax seed is high in alpha-linolenic acid, which your body converts into beneficial omega-3 fatty acids.

Those omega-3s help fight heart disease by stabilizing heartbeats and slowing the growth of artery-blocking plaque; research has shown that they may also lower triglycerides, a form of fat linked to heart disease.

In addition, flax seed is high in soluble fiber, a powerful cholesterol fighter.

Like most nutrients, flax seed is best consumed as food (ground flax seed meal or oil), rather than in supplements.

Here are some easy ways to add it to your plate.

• When making muffins or other baked goods, replace 1/2 cup butter or shortening with 1 1/2 cups flax seed oil.

• Sprinkle your oatmeal or smoothie with a couple tablespoons of flax seed meal.

• Look for flax seed in breads, cereals, and breakfast bars.

• In homemade salad dressings, use flax seed oil in place of 1/8 to 1/4 of the oil.

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Love, the second time around, can be wonderful

SUE MILLER
For the Ruidoso News

Your very first marriage makes you the person you are today. It can never be duplicated and the memories that were created will always be with you.

Yet, today is now, and when the opportunity for a new romance is there, why not go for it?

There are so many reasons why seniors enjoy love during the best time in their lives.

These include:

•You realize and recognize that each day, hour and second is precious and you must take advantage of the time you have together.

•You had your careers, raised your children, enjoyed your grandchildren and now like being retired. You have found the "new love in your life" and spending all your time together can be your only priority.

•Outside issues should be few and far between. The children have their lives to live with their children and their goals. You have no parents to take away your time. You can be with old and new friends, or can prefer to be alone.

•Blending two families as one can be exciting, frustrating, challenging, but, also, very fun. If an occasional "brush fire" ignites, it should not be allowed to spread, but, rather, should be immediately discussed, resolved and forgotten.

•Your relationship can be very selfish because you care deeply about what is best for each other. How the both of you are going to live the rest of your lives is the most important thing.

•Enjoy the personal treasures that each bring to the union. Accept the different paintings, sculptures, furniture, wall colors, etc.

The only disagreement you should ever have is "Who is responsible for Global Warming?"

•Demonstrate your affection and love to each other by holding hands, hugging, and, yes, even kissing in public. Surprise each other with "no occasion" gifts such as flowers, cards and books.

This is a very small list of ideas that senior citizens can practice when they fall in love. It is truly the best time in your life.

Time, indeed, is precious and you should treat each day as if it were your last. Nothing is more enjoyable than seeing each other smile, holding hands and walking that magical path together. It is the beginning of a new adventure. Enjoy.

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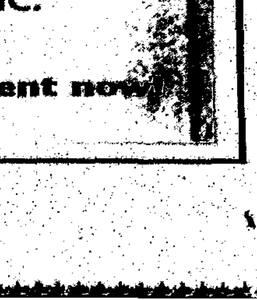

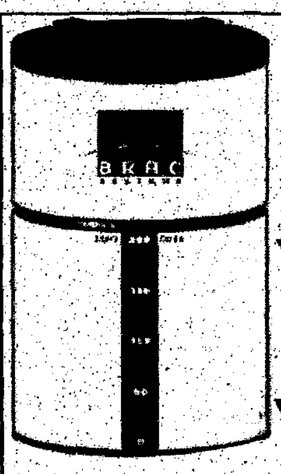

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Amended cockfight ban passes Senate

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Santa Fe Bureau Chief

SANTA FE – The New Mexico Senate passed a bill Wednesday banning cockfighting, but only after amending it to make the penalty provision the weakest in the nation.

The original bill, as introduced by Senate Majority Leader Mary Jane Garcia, D-Doña Ana, would have made it a fourth-degree felony on the first offense. It was first amended in the Senate Judiciary Committee to make the first offense a misdemeanor. It was further amended on the floor to make the first offense a petty misdemeanor, the second offense a full misdemeanor and the third offense a fourth-degree felony.

Garcia didn't object to the first change, but did to the second. She said 33 states have penalties that make cockfighting a fourth-degree felony on the first offense. The rest are all full misdemeanors. New Mexico and Louisiana are the only two states that allow cockfighting.

A second amendment removed the provision that made it illegal just to attend a cockfight. Sen Rod Adair, R-Roswell, said he would "get myself beat senseless" if he tried to stop the cockfight, as was required in the original bill.

"That's crazy to give the people of New Mexico this directive," Adair said.

Garcia said 41 states make it illegal to attend a cockfight. She said it would be impossible for police to separate attendees from participants.

The bill was passed on a 31-11 vote after nearly five hours of debate Wednesday, and now moves to the House, where it was passed on a 50-15 voter in 2005.

Garcia, who has been trying for 18 years to get a ban passed, said after the final vote that she could accept the amendments.

"I'm fine with the amendments, absolutely," she said. "We're not trying to put anybody in jail. We're just trying to stop cockfighting."

The amendment to lower the penalties was introduced by Sen. Phil Griego, D-San Jose, who chairs the Conservation Committee and has been the most vocal opponent of the bill. Sen. Carroll Leavell, R-Jal, supported the change.

"In all this debate it seems we always paint the cockfighters as a breed of bad people. They're not a breed of bad people. It's part of the heritage they grew up with," Leavell said. "These are your friends and neighbors who you are criminalizing with this."

A petty misdemeanor is punishable by up to six months in county jail; a misdemeanor by up to 364 days and a fourth-degree felony up to 18 months in state prison.

Opponents of the bill acknowledged early on that they did not have the votes to defeat it, but tried to lessen what they saw as its negative impact.

Griego introduced other amendments that would have allowed for nonlethal fights without gaffs, given counties the option to vote to legalize cockfighting and add an appropriation for law enforcement.

Leavell attempted to have the bill referred to the Finance Committee, saying cockfighting has a $20 million impact on the state. An extra committee referral would have delayed passage of the bill, and was defeated.

Leavell, Griego and other senators from rural areas of the state argued that cockfighting was a part of the tradition and culture of their districts. But Minority Whip Lee Rawson, R-Las Cruces, said some traditions should be done away with.

"Radical Muslims have a tradition of cutting off heads," Rawson said. "Just because it's a tradition of some group doesn't mean it's the right thing to do."

The bill is SB10, and can be found on the Internet at legis.state.nm.us

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Medical marijuana bill again passes Senate, on to the House

WALTER RUBEL
Santa Fe Bureau Chief

SANTA FE – For the third year in a row, the Senate has passed a bill that would allow for the restricted medicinal use of marijuana.

The bill passed on a 34-7 vote Wednesday, and now moves to the House, where it has been defeated in each of the past two sessions.

To qualify for usage, a physician would have to certify that the patient is afflicted with one of a list of specific debilitating diseases and that the use of medicial marijuana could be beneficial. A physicians advisory board would then have to approve the certification. The Department of Health would be responsible to create rules for the provisions and distribution.

Sen. Carroll Leavell, R-Jal, said just because the state passes a law, it doesn't make marijuana use legal. Federal law outlawing marijuana would still take precedent, and people using medical marijuana would still be liable to federal prosecution, he said.

Sen. William Payne, R-Albuquerqe, noted that the Supreme Court has ruled that medicial marijuana laws passed by the state are invalid.

That may be true, said Minority Leader Stuart Ingle, R-Portales, but he said the state was sending a message to the feds.

"I think what we're trying to say, when you're dying of cancer there may not be anything else that will let you eat a bite of food," he said.

Sen Tim Jennings, D-Roswell, whose wife is battling breast cancer, said that the use of medical marijuana allows some patients to keep their weight up and increase their chances of survival.

Leavell countered that drug abuse is a huge problem in New Mexico that would be made worse by the bill.

"This bill, if we pass it here, sends a very terrible message to the young people of New Mexico that the use of marijuana is somehow legal," Leavell said

Sen. Sue Wilson Beffort, R-Sandia Park, said she was concerned that the bill would lead to the kind of abuses that have happened with medicial marijuana provisions in California. But the bill's sponsor, Sen. Gerald Ortiz y Pino, D-Albuquerque, said New Mexico's law would be much different.

"We think we have provisions in the measure that would make it impossible for the abuses, or perceived abuses, that have taken place in California to happen here," Ortiz y Pino said.

Gov. Bill Richardson had said before Wednesday's debate that he supports the bill.

"I continue to support a medical marijuana bill that includes proper safeguards to prevent abuse," Richardson said. "I will work with legislators to get it passed this session to provide this option for New Mexicans suffering from debilitating diseases."

The bill is SB238, and can be found on the Internet at legis.state.nm.us

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NWF to encourage biofuel production

Officials with the National Wildlife Federation have announced a plan to help farmers switch to growing a new generation of biofuel crops.

The proposal would enroll up to 5 million acres of land to promote the sustainable production of next generation biomass energy.

"Biofuels represent a big part of our energy future, and this proposal represents a groundbreaking new direction," says Julie Sibbing, National Wildlife Federation senior program manager for Agriculture Policy. "Native grasses, trees and other plants have the potential to double energy yields per acre, with just a fraction of the energy needed to produce corn-based ethanol. As these new technologies come on line, they will be key to our future clean energy production. The use of these fuels will also help stem global warming by decreasing greenhouse gas emissions and storing carbon."

The Biofuels Innovation Program would provide financial and technical assistance to landowners to produce native perennial energy crops and crop mixes in a manner that protects the nation's soil, air, water and wildlife, she said. The growing of these dedicated energy crops would help support the development or expansion of facilities that use the material for biofuels, electricity, heat or bio-based products. The program could be enacted under the energy title of the Farm Bill of 2007.

"Farmers, hunters and anglers will reap the benefits of this program," says Spencer Tomb, an associate professor at Kansas State University and a National Wildlife Federation board member. "Our native grasses which are so important to wildlife have been disappearing, but this program provides an important incentive to plant mixes of natives that can do double duty for energy and wildlife."

Mobile radios target of Lujan bill

A bill introduced into the New Mexico House of Representatives by Antonio Lujan (D-Dona Ana), would ban the use of "a mobile communication device" in the state.

Amateur Radio operators in New Mexico, also known as "hams," are opposed to HB241, because it would prohibit their ability to use their federally-licensed radio equipment from their vehicles, says Charlie Christmann, who lives in Placitas, has been a licensed Amateur Radio operator since 1978 and is chairman of the Board of Directors for the Sandoval County Amateur Radio Emergency.

While the primary intent of the bill appears to prohibit the use of mobile telephones, its provisions are all encompassing, targeting two-way radio equipment, he said. Unlike other municipal laws in the state, there is no provision to allow the use of mobile phones with a hands-free device.

However, the bill explicitly excludes public safety and commercial vehicle operators.

The exemption for public safety is obvious, but allowing the use of communications devices in commercial vehicles, but not allowing licensed hams to use their equipment is not obvious, Christmann said.

Amateur Radio has a long history of service to this State, including providing communications for Sandoval County fires in 2006, Sandoval and Lincoln County forest fires in 2003 and 2004, the La Queva Fire in March 2003, the Virgin Fire in 2003 and the Cerro Grande fires in Los Alamos in 2000.

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Taurus (April 20-May 20) - Today is a 6 - A [illegible] is good to have, if you get [illegible] agenda. Defend your position, but also [illegible] and learn from the competition.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) - Today is a 7 - Keep your communication channels open. [illegible] you could [illegible] walked right into an ambush.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) - Today is a 7 - [illegible] so much for the ones you love, you'd give them anything. That's not always [illegible] for them, however. Exercise restraint.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) - Today is a 6 - [illegible] tell you now why what [illegible] is wrong. This is not a lot [illegible] educational. Don't take [illegible].

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Today is a 7 - [illegible] involved in a new skill [illegible] solved. It may [illegible] and it may cause [illegible]. Proceed with [illegible].

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) - Today is an 8 - Your life is usually an open book, but that's not a good idea now. Do the work and collect the rewards, but don't make a big deal about it.

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Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Today is a 7 - The trouble with your schedule for work is that it's interfering again, with your schedule for play. Postpone an outing until after the job's done.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - Today is a 6 - Your life is becoming more complicated, but you're a practical person. Remember to keep control of the purse strings and you should get past the temptations unscathed.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) - Today is a 7 - Let the person who has all the money know how much you need. Have a nice presentation and you'll be pleasantly surprised.

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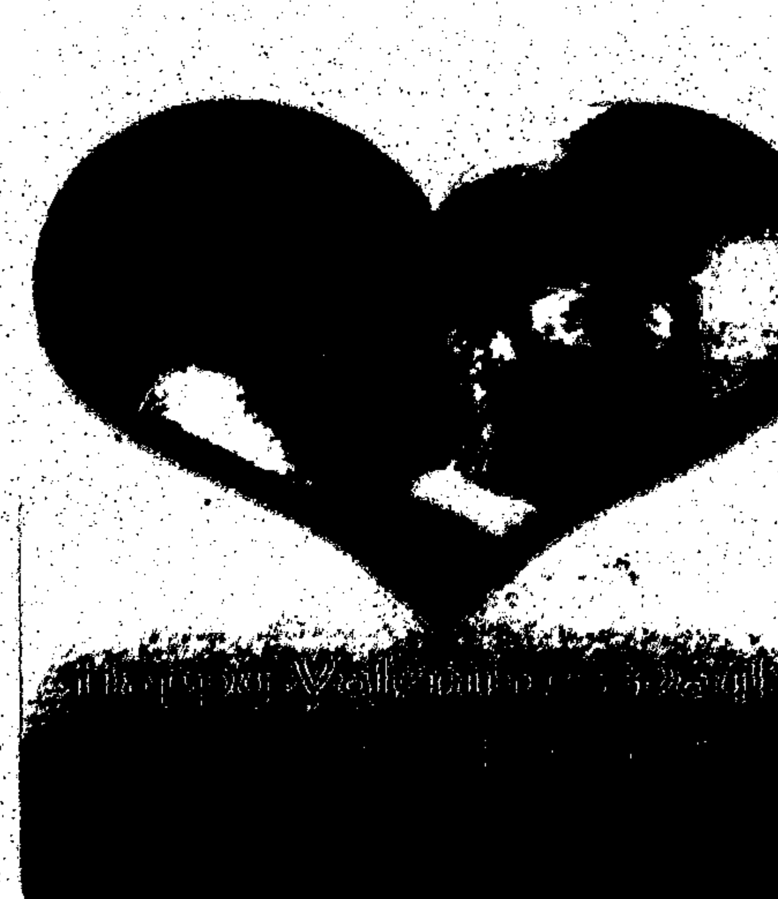

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Legislative Notebook

WALTER RUBEL
Santa Fe Bureau Chief

SANTA FE – A bill that would abolish the death penalty in New Mexico has cleared its final committee hurdle, and is ready to be heard on the House floor.

House Bill 190 would replace the death penalty with a "true life sentence" without the possibility of parole. It was endorsed on a 9-3 vote in the House Judiciary Committee. A similar bill in 2005 passed 38-31 in the House, but died in the Senate.

"I think it is inconsistent that people will see life in a stem cell, but will not recognize it sitting in a jail cell," said Rep. Elias Barela, Belen, mixing two controversial issues into one debate.

Fight continues

A bill that would ban cockfighting in New Mexico has been referred to the House Agriculture and Water and Judiciary committees.

The bill passed 31-11 Wednesday in the Senate. It had passed on a 50-15 vote two years ago in the House. Sponsor Mary Jane Garcia, D-Doña Ana, said Wednesday that she expected those referrals, and believes she has the votes needed to get the bill through each committee.

Early diagnosis

Cabinet secretaries for both the Education and Children Youth and Families departments spoke out Thursday in support of a House Bill 281, which would appropriate $500,000 to train child-care workers to identify early childhood behavioral disorders in children age 5 and younger.

Secretary of Education Veronica Garcia, who taught special education for 15 years, said children will need fewer services later on if problems are diagnosed and treated at an early age.

"We know what needs to be done, but unless we get that information to everybody in the state who works with children it's not going to stick," said Children Youth and Families Secretary Dorian Dotson.

Addressing a problem

The House of Representatives unanimously passed a bill Wednesday by Rep. Nathan Cote, D-Las Cruces, that would create a substitute address for domestic violence victims.

The bill directs the Secretary of State to set up a substitute mailing address for victims of domestic violence who have reason to believe that their safety is at risk. The service would cost $75 a year.

"I'm very pleased to have the overwhelming support of the House for this bill," Cote said. "Any step we can take to prevent victims of domestic violence from being further violated is extremely important."

Autism coverage

The Senate Public Affairs Committee unanimously endorsed a bill Thursday sponsored by Sen. Cynthia Nava, D-Las Cruces, that would require health insurers to cover the diagnosis and treatment of Autism Spectrum Disorder.

Several parents of autistic children told lawmakers that early intervention will help their kids live a more normal life, but that many insurance carriers do not cover those services. Sen. Steve Komadina, R-Corrales, questioned what impact the mandate would have on insurance premiums. Sponsors said they did not know.

Quote of the day: "My worst fear is for some developer to come in with all the money in the world and plop a Wal-Mart right in front of my home." – Sen. Mary Jane Garcia, D-Doña Ana, speaking in favor of bill to restrict eminent domain.

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Forest Service agrees to consider harm to sensitive species from cattle grazing

■ Forest Guardians challenge Forest Service plan to graze Hermosa Allotment in Gila National Forest

SANTA FE – Conservation groups applauded a decision by the Gila National Forest to withdraw a controversial plan that would have re-opened an area that had been recovering for more than a decade from previous cattle grazing.

The plan to graze the Hermosa Allotment could have harmed more than 100 miles of streams, jeopardized the integrity of native vegetation and further impaired habitat for the critically endangered Mexican gray wolf and other rare species.

"We're delighted that the Forest Service acknowledged the shortcomings of this plan by withdrawing the decision," said Melissa Hailey, attorney with Forest Guardians.

"We challenged the plan because it didn't adequately assess the risks to wildlife, watersheds, and the Mexican wolf recovery effort," Hailey continued.

Wolf recovery area

The Hermosa Allotment is part of the Blue Range Wolf Recovery Area and provides habitat for numerous other federally listed wildlife species, including the bald eagle, Mexican spotted owl and Chiricahua leopard frog.

It also provides habitat for at least four rare and sensitive plants that are known to be harmed by livestock grazing operations.

Though the allotment has been in non-use for the last 13 years, conditions there are poor to fair, and experiencing a downward trend.

Grass bank

The proposed decision would have opened the allotment as a grass bank for use when other allotments were subjected to prescribed and naturally ignited fires.

"There is no reason to open this allotment for a grass bank," said Greta Anderson, range restoration coordinator at the Center for Biological Diversity.

"The land is in poor shape and in need of rest-recovery. The Forest Service has absolutely no obligation to provide forage on public lands when feeding livestock conflicts with ecological needs.

"We thank the agency for remembering that on the Hermosa Allotment."

60,000 acres not suited

The allotment contains over 60,000 acres of public land, two-thirds of which would have been closed to grazing under the proposed plan because the land is not suited to support cattle.

The remaining lands, however, were to be used year-round without adequate protection for riparian areas, range conditions, or the needs of other species.

The government's environmental documents admit that under the plan, no improvement in resource conditions was expected during the next 10 years.

Poor condition

"It is clearly inappropriate for the agency to use an allotment in such poor condition as a back-up plan," said Kevin Bixby, executive director of the Southwest Environmental Center in Las Cruces.

"There is no reason to open this allotment for a grass bank. The land is in poor shape and in need of rest-recovery. The Forest Service has absolutely no obligation to provide forage on public lands when feeding livestock conflicts with ecological needs."

Greta Anderson
Range Restoration Coordinator
Center for Biological Diversity

"We support those parts of the plan that afforded protection to wildlife habitats, but we feared that the agency was risking too much in terms of soil and watershed health, without demonstrating a clear need to do so."

The groups' appeal can be found at www.fguardians.org/gr/index.asp.

Forest Guardians is a nonprofit conservation group dedicated to the preservation of the wildlands and wildlife of the American southwest – www.fguardians.org. The Center for Biological Diversity is a nonprofit conservation organization with more than 32,000 members dedicated to the protection of imperiled species and habitat. The Southwest Environ-mental Center has a mission to educate, advocate, and restore native wildlife and their habitats in the southwestern borderlands.

Bill sponsored for firefighters' survivor benefits

A bill sponsored by State Rep. Sheryl Williams Stapleton (D-Albuquerque) creates the Firefighters' Survivors Supplemental Benefits Act, establishes a Firefighters' Survivors Fund and creates a Firefighters' Survivors Supplemental Death Benefits Review Committee.

House Bill 377 passed the House Health and Government Affair Committee with a unanimous vote. The bill is supported by the State Fire Marshal and New Mexico's Professional Firefighter Association.

"Firefighters around the state risk their lives to protect New Mexico's residents. When one of them loses their life in the line of duty, their immediate families suffer emotionally as well as economically," Stapleton said. "This bill will provide a supplemental death benefit to those families."

Emily Kane, president of the New Mexico Professional Firefighters Association, said, "New Mexico law enforcement has had one-time death benefits for survivors since 1995. Thirty-three states currently have similar legislation for their firefighters."

The bill proposes that the State Fire Marshal administer the Firefighters' Survivors Fund. The fund will be a non-reverting fund.

The legislation also proposes that the Firefighters' Survivors Supplemental Death Benefits Review Committee consist of the Attorney General, the president of the New Mexico Fire Chief's Association and the state president of the New Mexico Professional Firefighters Association or their designees.

Committee members would determine whether a firefighter has been killed in the line of duty. In addition to any other death benefit, the beneficiaries would be paid $50,000 from the fund as a supplemental death benefit.

The benefit would be paid entirely to the surviving spouse. If no spouse exists, the benefit will be paid in pro rata shares to all surviving children. If there are no children or spouse, the benefit will be paid to the surviving parents of the firefighter.

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Bill approved for a Snowy River Cave Conservation Area

U.S. Senator Pete Domenici today gained committee approval for his bill to add federal protection to the rare Snowy River passage at Fort Stanton Cave in southern New Mexico – a passage believed to be the longest continuous calcite formation in the world.

The New Mexico Republican's Fort Stanton-Snowy River National Cave Conservation Area Act (S.260) was approved by the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee and is now ready for consideration by the full Senate.

The bill is cosponsored by U.S. Sen. Jeff Bingaman (D-NM).

"The Snowy River is so exceptional and unique that we need to ensure that federal protection is in place to ensure its preservation for scientific research and educational purposes," Domenici said. "Cave experts remain excited by this discovery and are already working on the best and safest way to access the Snowy River passage for the scientific community to conduct research in the cave."

Truly unique

"Snowy River is truly unique, and through this conservation plan it will be protected. I'm glad we were able to move this bill quickly though the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee, and I hope we gain full Senate approval in the coming weeks," said Bingaman, chairman of the Senate Energy Committee.

The Domenici bill creates a Fort Stanton-Snowy River National Cave Conservation Area to protect, secure and conserve the natural and unique features of the Snowy River Passage and the Fort Stanton Cave in Lincoln County.

BLM will map cave

The bill authorizes the Bureau of Land Management staff to develop a map and legal description of Fort Stanton Cave, and to develop a comprehensive, long-term management plan for the cave area.

The Snowy River is a continuous calcite formation that extends more than two miles in the Fort Stanton Cave. Exploration of this cave dates back to at least the 1850s, but the Snowy River passage was only discovered in 2001, and kept secret until Domenici announced its discovery in 2005.

BLM staff recently reported to Domenici progress on developing a new route into the Snowy River passage, a project undertaken after the original passage was deemed unsafe.

The original passage was permanently closed and research suspended.

However, new research proposals are being received from New Mexico Tech, the National Cave and Karst Research Institute and other cave experts.

According to the senators, the continued scientific research and discoveries in the cave may yield valuable information on the hydrology, geology and microbiology in the region.

For instance, investigations of the Snowy River formation may provide information on past water chemistry, weather trends, and flood and drought cycles.

COUNTY BRIEFS

Bake sale in 'Zozo

The Carrizozo Woman's Club is hosting a Valentine's Bake Sale, 9 a.m. – noon, Tuesday, Feb. 13 at Wells Fargo Bank in Carrizozo.

The almost-famous fare of the club bakers will again be offered to customers until everything is sold out.

Smokey Bear raffle

A Valentine's Basket Raffle is being hosted by the Smokey Bear Hometown Association with proceeds to benefit the community playground project.Tickets are $2 each, available at the park, and the drawing is to be held the morning of Feb. 14 at the Smokey Bear Historical Park. Basket items have been donated by Smokey's Country Market, Elite Outfitters, Not 2 Shabby Shop and Janis Shaver.

In the basket will be a solid chocolate heart, conversation hearts, suckers, stemware and sparkling grape juice, coffee mugs, fabric roses, a heart pillow, scented candles and more.

Fair Board meets

The Lincoln County Fair Board will meet for their first 2007 meeting at 7 p.m., Feb. 21 at the Lincoln County Fair Grounds in Capitan. A livestock committee meeting will preface the fair board meeting at 6 p.m.

All county fair livestock superintendents are requested to attend.

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Storms never last, do they baby

If the title lyric is tickling your memory banks, it is because it isn't original. It belongs to Waylon Jennings and Jessie Coulter. But the memories are mine.

There are many ways to take nostalgic trips through the recesses of your mind. Some work faster and better than others, but it's a journey we all need to take from time to time.

County Views
BY JULIE CARTER

Flipping through old photo-albums is a sure-fire way to bring back flashes of the past when people were younger, thinner, and married to somebody else.

There is something better for the journey than being faced with pictorial proof of how different things are now. That vehicle is music.

Music is a venue of travel into yesteryear that seems to evoke more emotion and less reality than old photos.

An old familiar melody has a way of quickly reaching inside our hearts and souls and touching feelings that, long ago, were pushed behind us as we dove headlong into life.

Lyrics might tell a story that was your story and in doing so, they speak for you.

A song might bring recall of parents dancing to the melody as it played on the radio or at an old country dance that gathered people from the hills and vales to socialize in hard times.

I can promise you, I'll never, ever hear Hank Locklin sing "Send Me the Pillow That You Dream On" without remembering my grandmother's caterwauling of those lyrics as she went about her daily chores.

Musical memories are never better than when they are shared remembrances. They don't have to be specific but memories of an era can bring people to common ground. People that didn't share directly in your life 30-40 years ago, very likely heard the same music you did.

Circumstances may vary but the emotions that erupt do not.

Nothing will turn back the hands of time like an evening with some heart-tugging, boot-scootin', make-me-think-I-can-sing music to put you over the top.

When the fiddle bow strikes, the guitar strings hum and melodic voices fall into a lyrical tour of fine old country music, today ceases to exist.

For a space of time, the room becomes a world of its own in a place a long time ago.

Whether you are swaying to Lefty Frizzell's "Waltz of the Angels" or hearing the alluring Bob Wills' "Faded Love," something begins to happen to your heart.

Traveling down the melody lane, you arrive at a place in the recesses of your mind that everyone should visit. Whether it is the lyrics, the melody or both, something begins to chip away at the shellacked veneer that day-to-day living paints over us for survival.

The musical map carries you forward through decades of "classic country" that becomes a slide show of loving, laughing, crying, and dying.

Waylon's words are immortal in many lives and certainly in mine. *Storms never last do they baby. Bad times all pass with the wind. Your hand in mine stills the thunder. And you make the sun want to shine.*

I'm very glad I got the chance for him to remind me of that.

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Capitan Public Library matches grant funds

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The Capitan Public Library now has a visual thermometer to share the progress of their fund drives toward major renovation and expansion of their building.

With $200,000 as the mark for breaking ground, volunteers are in perpetual motion with ongoing fundraisers to move the mercury toward the ultimate goal of $350,000.

According to Pat Garrett, library director, it will take $300,000 to complete the project and another $50,000 to equip the facility in its expanded state.

A Valentine raffle ended Wednesday with Steve Guskell winning a dinner for two at the Capitan Greenhouse Café, a value of $75 donated by the Café.

Library volunteers are now offering tickets for sale for a grocery raffle.

Three $150 gift certificates donated by Smokey's Country Market are up for grabs with the purchase of a $1 ticket or six for $5. The drawing will be held April 2.

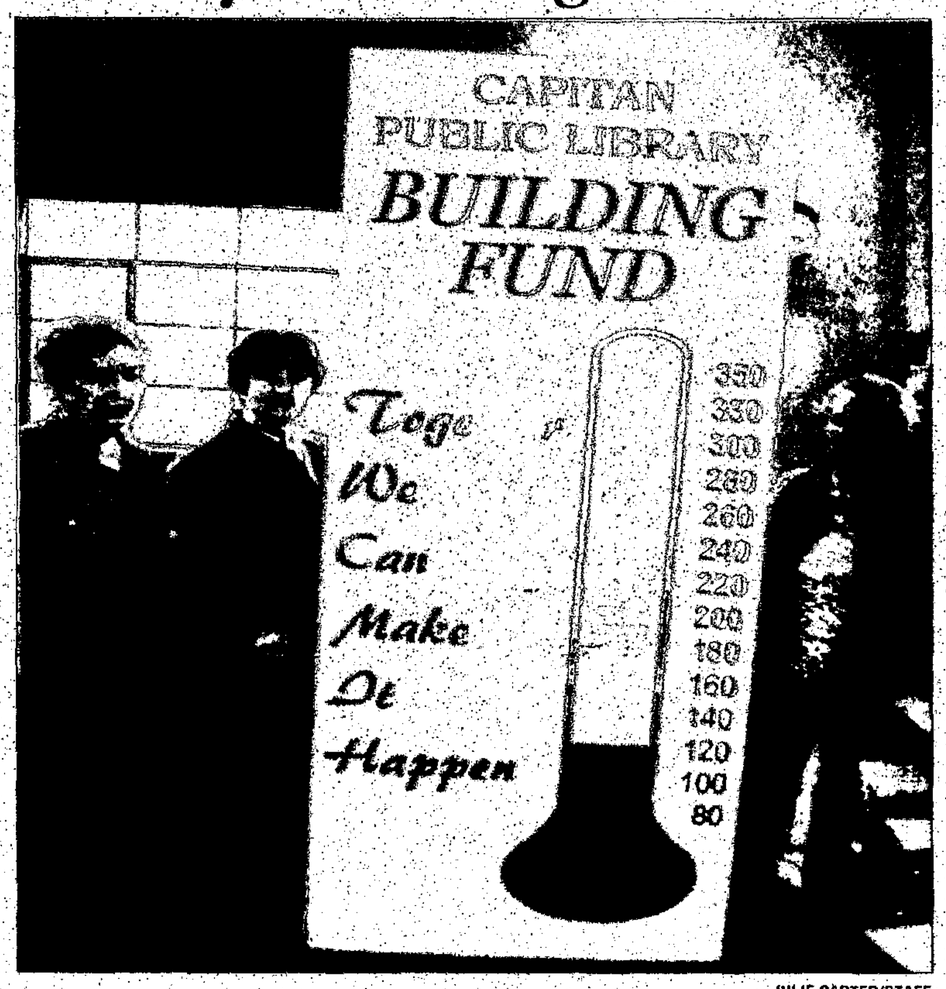
In January, CPL received a $25,000 grant but raising matching funds for the Daniels Grant Fund. Library spokesman Garrett said it took only a month to raise the matching sum thanks to some dedicated volunteers and generous donors.

The grant program, with the matching grant, added a total of $75,000 to the coffers.

CPL founders invite the public to explore their Web site at www.capitanlibrary.org and learn about all the possibilities the library has to offer. The all-volunteer staff is available to assist in any way possible Tuesday-Saturday at 101 E. Second St. in Capitan.

Capitan Public Library is registered as a 501(c)(3) organization under the United States Internal Revenue Code, so donations are tax-deductible to the extent permitted by law. For those wishing to participate by making a donation, make checks payable to Capitan Public Library and mail to P.O. Box 1169, Capitan, NM 88316.

For more information contact the library at 354-3035.



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Measuring the progress of the fund collection for the expansion of the Capitan Public Library is an ongoing project. Eight-year volunteer Barbara Stewart, left, joins director Pat Garrett, eight years and Mary Bowker, a ten year volunteer years to show off the new "Together We Can Make It Happen" thermometer.

Carrizozo FFA judging contest scheduled for March 3

JENNIFER SHAFER
For the Ruidoso News

For the Carrizozo FFA chapter, the annual FFA judging contest is just about the largest event of the year.

This year the contest will be held March 3 and will be a huge endeavor for not only for FFA Advisor, Christopher Scott, but also for the FFA officers and members, as well as supportive members of the community.

Although preparation for the contest will still be ongoing right up to March 3, it starts much earlier than most people realize.

The beginning steps of preparation begin one to two months in advance.

From mailing notifications to all the FFA chapters in the state to making sure the Carrizozo chapter has purchased enough food for more than 1,000 people, the responsibilities are endless.

Since Carrizozo FFA members will not judge in the contest they host, all the energy of the chapter is focused on putting on a successful judging contest.

Last year approximately 1,000 students from 43 different schools participated in 13 contests at the Carrizozo Judging Invitational.

For a school that is used to accommodating approximately 200 hundred students on a day-to-day basis, hosting hundreds of visitors can be a challenge.

Still, the school always does a great job of preparing so the event runs smoothly.

Despite the small size of the Carrizozo school, the judging invitational has continued to have contests and competitions of the highest caliber. After doing this for more than 30 years, hosting this contest has become a tradition. As the rules and technological advances have increased, the contest has maintained its high quality.

Each year the Carrizozo FFA must run and organize each contest in accordance with state rules, but the biggest change in recent years has been the use of Scan-tron cards. These cards are used for electronic tabulation of each contest and each individual.

These cards must be purchased from a national supplier and students fill in answer bubbles that are graded by a Scan-tron machine. The use of this new technology has greatly reduced the stress of tabulating and it has allowed results to be obtained much quicker than manual grading.

By complying with these new rules and embracing new developments, the chapter has been able to make the Carrizozo contest worthwhile for all the schools that participate.

With the continued support of the community, the Carrizozo contest this year will be ever as successful as it has been in the past.

Jennifer Shafer is the Carrizozo FFA chapter reporter

JULIE CARTER/STAFF

FFA students prepare to grade and judge wool in a previous Carrizozo FFA contest

Corona-NMSU Research Ranch offers Half-Day of College event this July

JULIE CARTER
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Half-Day of College was an idea hatched by a group of ranchers that serve on the Corona Range and Livestock Center advisory committee.

This summer's rendition will continue with topics suggested by the committee as well as new session of "Stump the Professor."

Experts in ranch record keeping, effective health programs and current events affecting ranching will discuss these subjects with attendees for the day.

Students of the Half Day of College will have the opportunity to select the sessions they wish to attend.

The three courses offered at the July 20 event are:

•Quick Books for Ranchers: a course intended to give hands on application of the computer program.

Bring your laptop if you wish.

•Effective Health Programs: A refresher course on vaccination protocols and use of medicinals including the how's and why's. Bring a copy of your vaccination schedule.

•Stump the Professor: After short presentations of current topics there will be an open question and answer session with NMSU professors. Ask any question you want.

All classes will be presented three times concurrently.

There will be time to talk to each of the instructors and other participants before, during and after the class.

Corona Research Center scientists will be available discuss any topic.

Registration is at 9:30 a.m. with classes starting at 10 a.m.. Lunch will be served to anyone attending.

The half day event is free of charge. For more information contact the research ranch manager, Shad Cox, at 849-1015 or email shadcox@nmsu.edu.

Information on the ranch including the newest edition of the newsletter is located on the Web at their site, http://corona.nmsu.edu.

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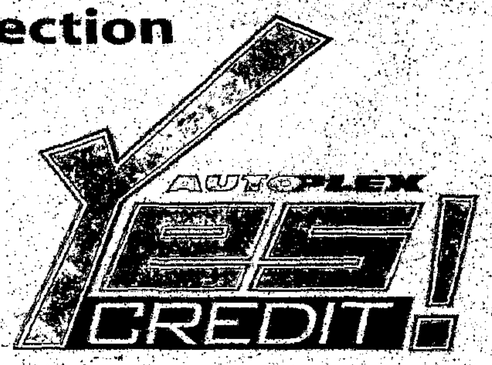

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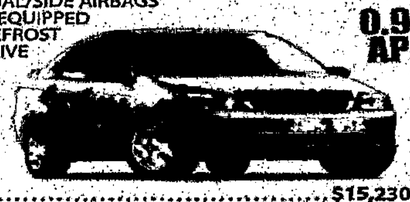
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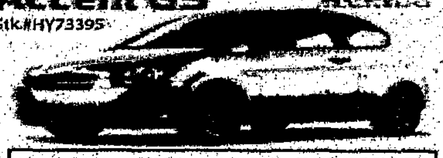
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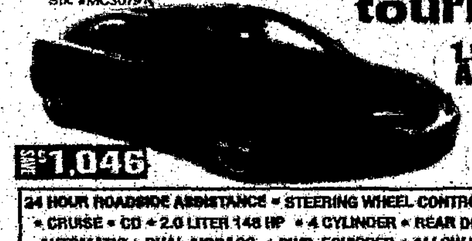
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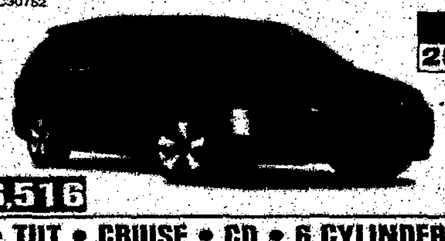
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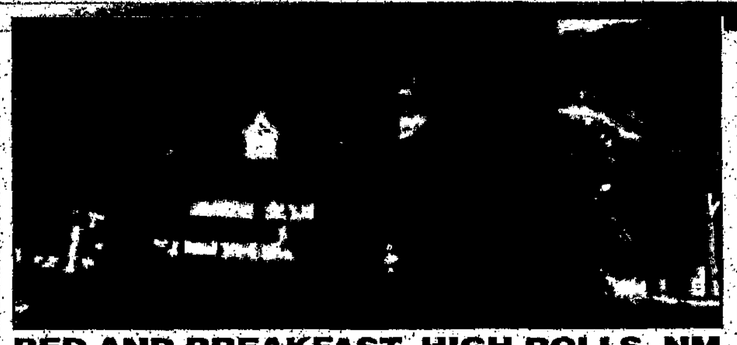

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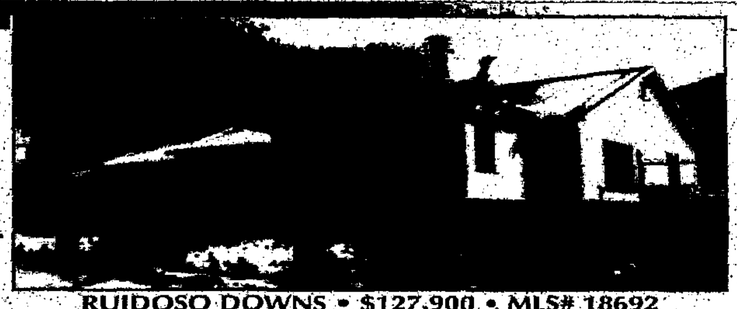

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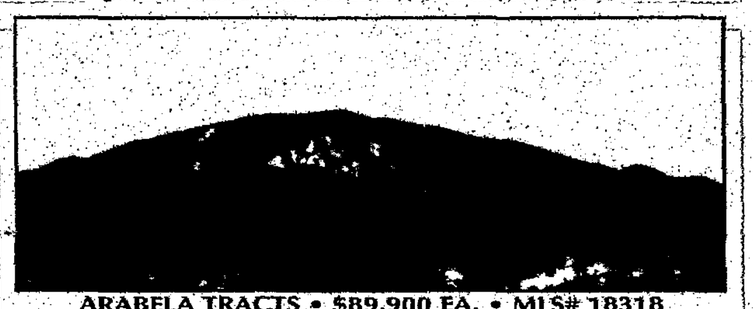

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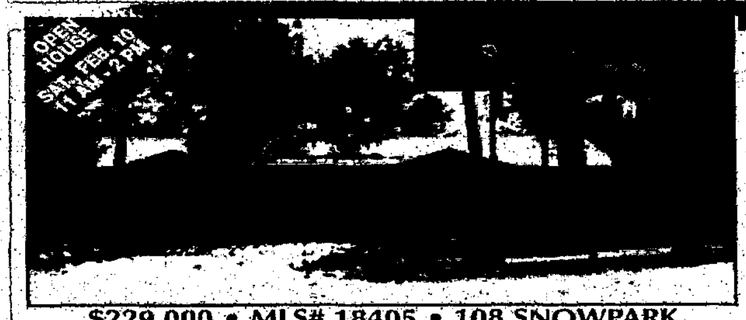

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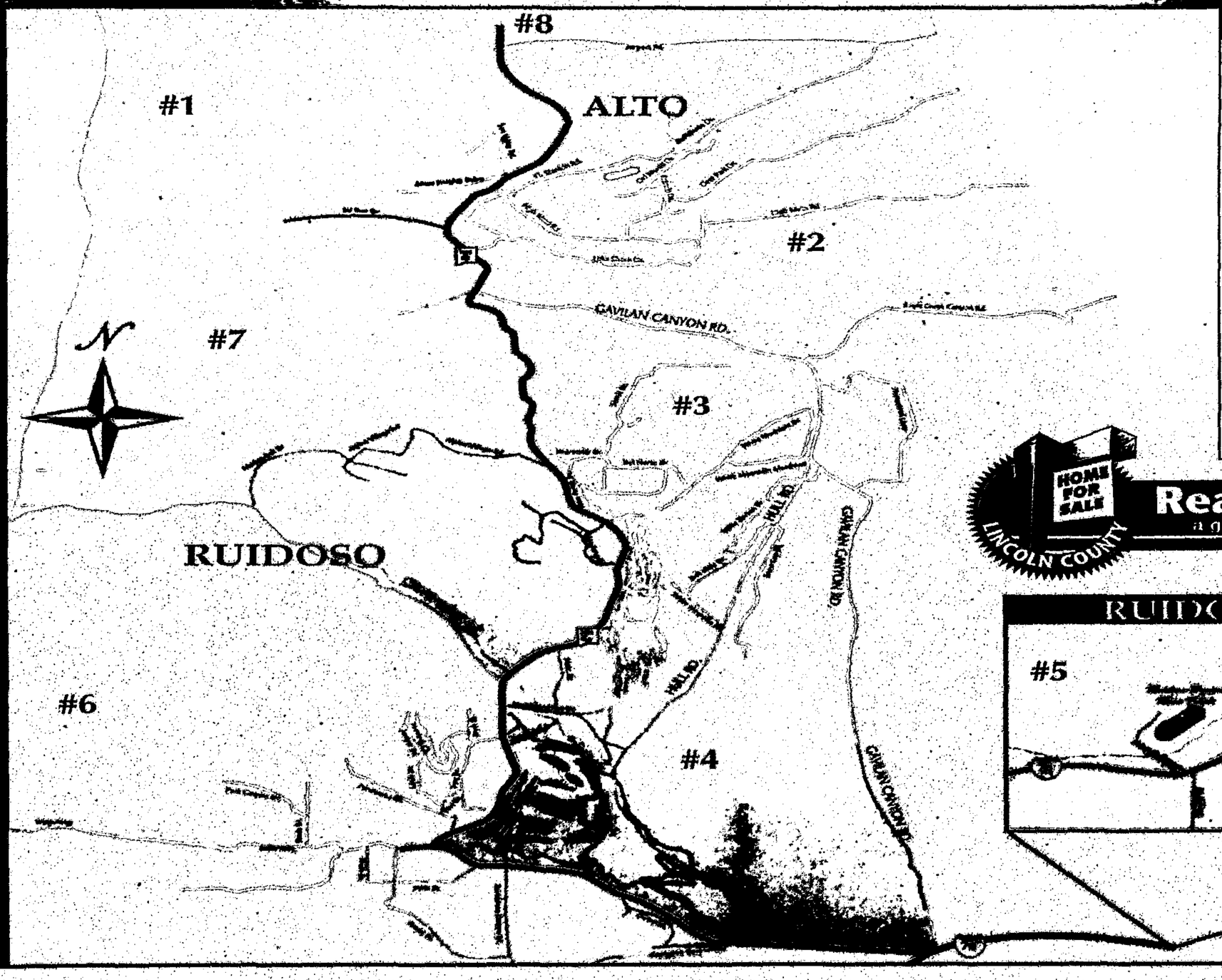

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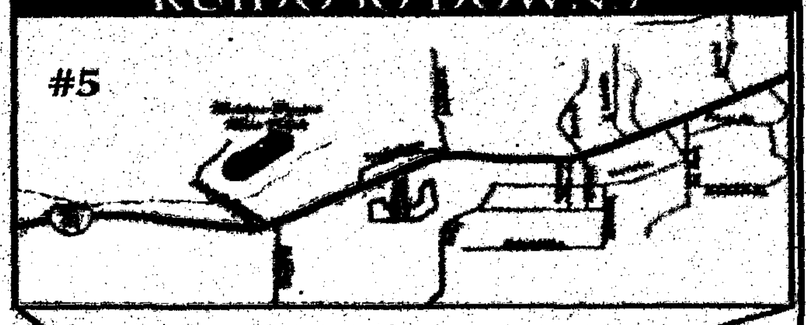

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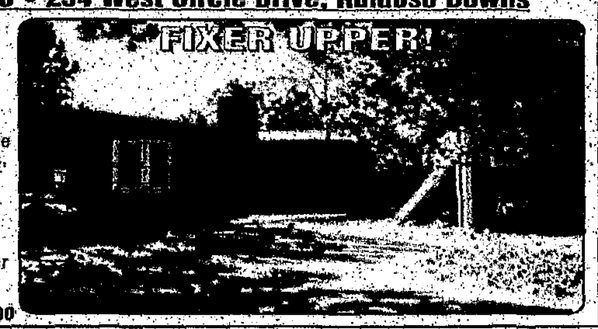
$229,900 • 1111 Main Road, Ruidoso

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**

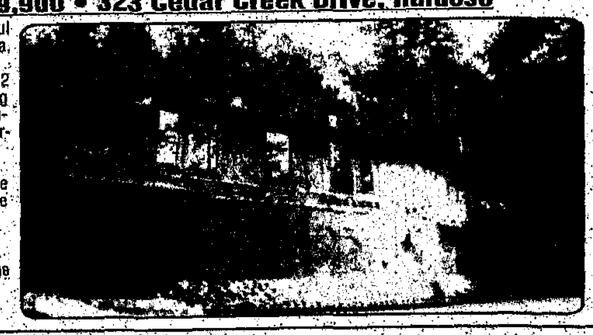
$99,000 • 254 West Circle Drive, Ruidoso Downs

3 BD / 1-¾ BA home. Here is the deal you are looking for! Great fixer upper in good neighborhood. Home is across from park on a nice size lot. 2 kitchens, 2 living areas – perfect for in-law quarters. Large family room w/access to nice deck. This is a fixer upper with lots of room for sweat equity. **MLS# 18590**



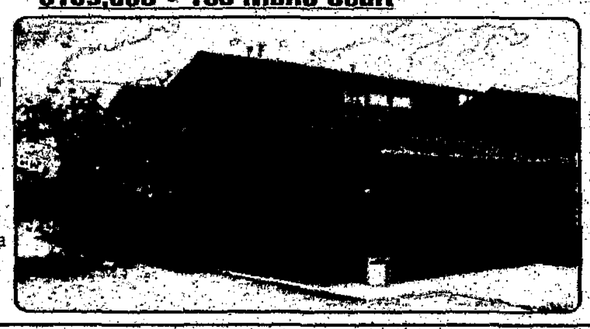
$289,900 • 323 Cedar Creek Drive, Ruidoso

3 BD / 3 BA beautiful home in a great area. 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.



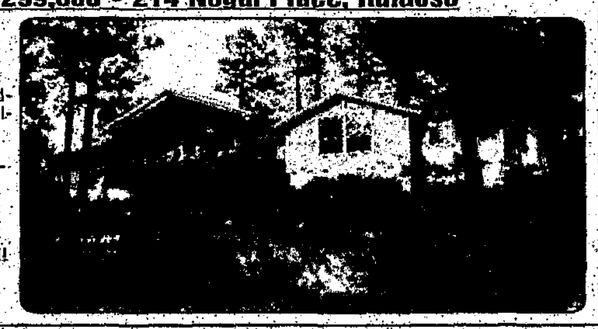
$169,000 • 108 Niblic Court

Magnificent townhome perfectly located between the 16rh green and 17th tee at Cree Meadows. 2 BD / 2+ BA, 2 car attached garage, renovated in 2004, new deck and views of golf course and Sierra Blanca from front. **MLS#1650**



$299,000 • 214 Nogal Place, Ruidoso

3 BD / 2 BA 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**



$465,000 • 111 Coker Ln. White Mountain Meadows

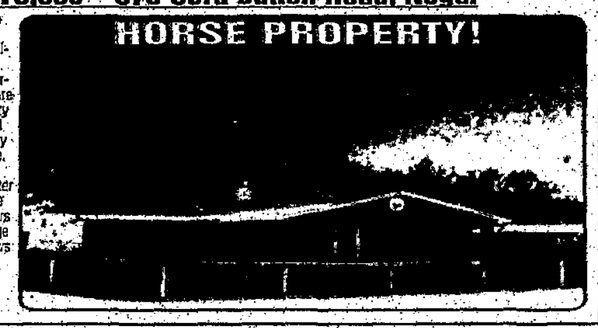
Exquisite 4 BD 2 ½ BA custom home in peaceful, quiet location. Built in 2001 with beautiful tile floors, cut Berber carpet, recessed lighting, central vac, French doors, cherry cabinets, radiant floor heating, 2 fireplaces and pellet stove, lush landscaping, covered courtyard, basement storage, and much,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

$155,000 • 120 Butler Street, Ruidoso

3 BD / 1 BA traditional Ruidoso cabin! Three lots. Two commercial log sided cabin, prime location, just a few steps to Sudderth. Large area in heart of Ruidoso. Close to all of Midtown! Zoned C3: No setbacks and no parking required. Located directly behind Misty M. Gourmet!

$375,000 • 375 Cora Dutton Road, Nogal

3 BD / 2 BA home plus 7+ acres. Great for horse lovers, ride into over a million acres of Nat'l Forest. Huge barn, tack room, corrals, riding ring and pasture + 2 large workshops. Every detail has been remodeled or newly built. Open knotty pine kitchen w/ Saltillo tile, and tons of counter and cabinet space. Large master features separate entrance to the courtyard, his & hers walk-in closets, and a large Jacuzzi tub. Dramatic views of S B. and the Capitans. Seller will also offer acreage as two separate parcels. **MLS# 18688**



$435,000 • MM .5, HWY 37

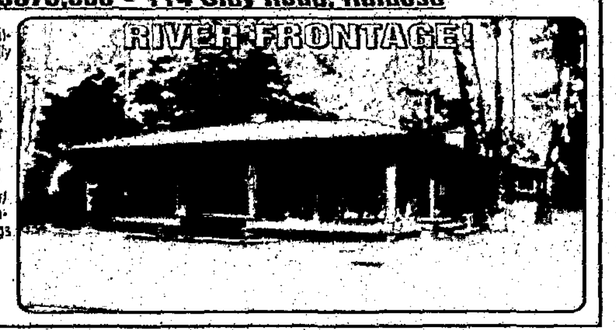
Beautiful 26.87 acres of land overlooking the Bonito River Valley. Very conveniently located near Highway 48 and Highway 37. Must see to appreciate! **MLS# 17582**

$159,900 • 201 Fourth Street

2 BD / 2 ¼ BA – This is a remodeled charmer 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**

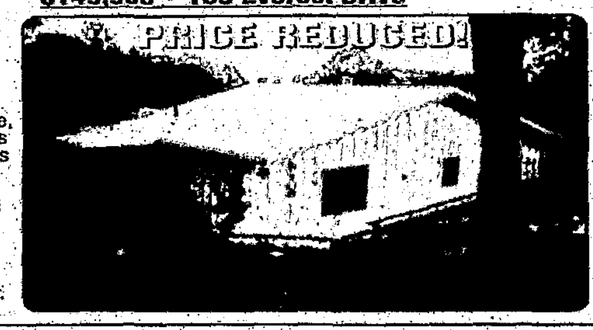
$675,000 • 114 Slay Road, Ruidoso

3 BD / 1-¾ 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. Oversize master BR w/ rock FP. The 305 sq ft. guesthouse has a full bath



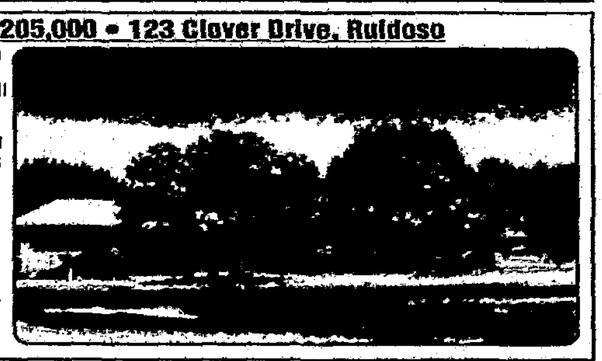
$149,900 • 109 Everest Drive

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# 17705**



$205,000 • 123 Clover Drive, Ruidoso

3 BD / 2 BA large home in great neighborhood! All one level home on beautiful corner lot. Oversized garage with work area. Master has walk-in closet and private bath. Spacious home with huge rock fireplace and vaulted ceilings. Renters currently living in home. **MLS# 18306**



$269,000 • 133 Monjeau Drive, Ruidoso

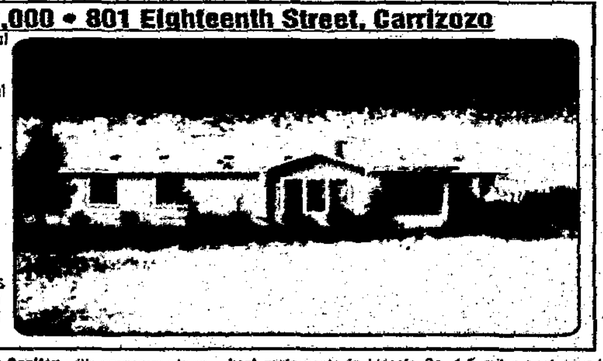
Very roomy home suitable for a big family or vacationers with large deck facing Sierra Blanca. Remodeled to provide extra large living room. Ample windows provide great view from entire west side of house. Spacious basement converted to workshop.

$249,500 • 104 Westbury, Ruidoso

3 BD / 2 BA newer home in perfect condition. Unique brick exterior offers strength, durability and energy savings! Chalet design features trimmed in white cedar. Clear views of mountain tops. Close to Grindstone Mesa Trail at National Forest.

$113,000 • 801 Eighteenth 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 BR is a "parent retreat" with sitting room/nursery. Vaulted ceilings throughout home for a spacious feel. Oversized garage/workshop. Don't miss the beautiful views of the Sacramentos and Capitans.

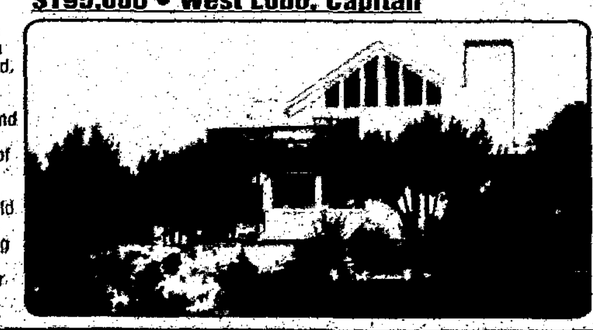


$249,900 • 105 Raven Place, Ruidoso

4 BD / 2-½ BA beautiful, newly constructed home with attention to detail. Large kitchen, opens to living area. All rooms have vaulted ceilings. Upstairs bedroom could be second living area. Spacious master bath w/Jacuzzi tub. Lots of room to expand below. Seller to finish out carpentry work. Home is prewired to be a smart home with surround sound and alarm system. New aerobic septic. **MLS# 18675**

$195,000 • West Lobo, Capitan

2 BD / 2 BA home fully furnished in a quiet neighborhood. Two large master suites, one with a built-in fireplace and private deck with panoramic views of the Sacramentos and Sierra Blanca. Additional loft could be 3rd bedroom. Cute garden setting in backyard with pond and sprinkler system. **MLS# 17528**



$189,000 7.53 Acres in Capitan with gorgeous views. Level, buildable lot with trees. Super location, close to Capitan. Make offer!! **MLS# 14623**

$44,900 MM 287 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 608, records of the Lincoln County, State of New Mexico. **MLS# 17101**

$29,900 North View Drive, Capitan Come and see this great 1.79 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**

$225,000 235 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# 17450**

$89,500 E844 County Road, Arabela 30 acres. Great opportunity to own that private getaway. Wildlife everywhere. Terrific dead-on view of the Capitans. Wonderful building sites. On county road. 17 miles to one of the best restaurants in Lincoln Co. 1.5 miles past paved road #368. **MLS# 19095**

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$485,000 903 Main Road, Ruidoso 4 BD / 1 & 2 1/2 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 offer an airy, bright living room and breakfast area. Large formal dining room, charming guest cabin and garage has large loft for extra storage. 3 building lots, house sits on one.

$110,000 5 Paint Horse Trail, Tularosa 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**

$20,000 Lot 26 Kiwa Richard Dr. Expansive wooded and valley views. Near National Forest. Cleared and certified for fire safety. All city utilities. **MLS# 16116**

$129,000-$140,000 Elk Pine 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.

$190,000 113 Little Road, Capitan 3 BD / 2 BA immaculate home with gorgeous views. Spacious split floor plan, vaulted ceilings, storm windows, heavily insulated and wood burning fireplace. Great quite location, would make a super horse property. 6'x12' workshed with electric. **MLS# 18006**

$162,000 108 N. Riley the Kid, Alto 5 BD / 2 BA home in Rancho Ruidoso Village. Fenced yard with fruit trees and R.V. Parking. Lots of living space, vaulted ceilings, ceiling fans and open floor pan. Sellers are motivated!! **MLS 18362**

$29,900 121 King Richard, Ruidoso Great views from this 1/3 acre lot. Capitans, Ruidoso and Sierra Blanca. Very buildable lot with tall pines. Nice homes being built in the area. Lot has been cleared and certified for fire safety. All city utilities. Stakes in place. **MLS# 18410**

$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# 18766**

$205,000 123 Clover Drive, Ruidoso 3 BD / 2 BA large home in great neighborhood! All one level home on beautiful corner lot. Oversized garage with work area. Master has walk-in closet and private bath. Spacious home with huge rock fireplace and vaulted ceilings. Renters currently living in home. **MLS# 18306**

$189,500 159 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. Split floor plan w/ a garden tub in the master bath, and large living area. 6" walls and storm windows make this home very efficient. Owner motivated, make an offer! **MLS# 18026**

$169,000 119 White Pine Road, Ruidoso 4 BD / 1-¾ BA wonderful home on quiet wooded lot that backs up to the National Forest. This home has great views all around it, Sierra Blanca and the Capitans. Vaulted ceilings, playroom, loft and great living area. Two sheds allow for plenty of storage. A must see! **MLS# 18359**

$149,000 504 Main Road, Ruidoso Charming 2 BD / 1 BA home located in the upper canyon. Very neat and clean. Perfect getaway for the weekends in terrific area. Wonderful rental potential, corner of Main and Whitaway. Can't last! **MLS# 18726**

$175,000 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 hookups, mature trees, pond, covered and uncovered decks. Property has underground pet fence.

$105,000 100 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**

$189,000 140 Hill Country Road, Alto 9.28 wooded acres across from Rainmakers Dev. Rainmakers com. Water. Access from (D003) Paso Monte and Hill Country. . .street to street. Beautiful, big, big views and very buildable. Horses okay. Very private, easy access. **MLS# 18503**

$154,900 226 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, built nose corners and open floor plan. Master bath w/ his/her sinks, sep. Shower and garden tub. Sit in the dining area or step to the deck for breathtaking views of SB. Quiet neighborhood, permanent foundation. Move in ready! **MLS# 17444**

$165,000 128 West Drive, Ruidoso Downs 3 BD / 2 BA Solitaire home w/ 1568 Sq.Ft. Open floor plan w/ front and back views. Kitchen has center island, pantry & large dining area. Master BR has spacious walk-in closet, garden tub and shower. All rooms have ceiling fans & lights. Completely xeriscaped yard w/ drip system. Double carport, 2 large covered decks, 12x20 workshop, RV parking w/ hookups. Lots of storage room in and under this conveniently located home. Some furniture available for purchase.

$199,000 222 Country Club Dr., Ruidoso 3 BD/ 1 ¾ BA charming, bright and unique home. This inside of the house has a lot of appeal. Original hardwood 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. Walking distance to Midtown.

$129,000 294 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 at 2003 appraisal. Motivated seller!! **MLS# 17795**

$350,000 117 Calle El Ojito, Mescal 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**

$345,000 MM10 Hwy 48 Beautiful property zoned R-3 currently occupied as residence with 1800 sq.ft. workshop/garage. Land is already subdivided and can be purchased separately. Refer to MLS 16090, 16091, 16094. Great commercial or residential property. Approx-imately 2.75 acres. **MLS 16207**

$184,900 107 Wales Court, Ruidoso 4 BD / 2 BA beautifully decorated home, convenient location, quiet, private cul-d-sac. Features oak hardwood flooring, ceramic tile, ceiling fans, laundry room, walk-in closets and newer appliances and furnace. Priced to sell!! **MLS# 18485**

$229,900 197 Wolf Creek Road, Nogal 3 BD / 2 BA beautiful home in the gorgeous setting of Wolf Creek Estates. This home features a huge two car garage/workshop. An open floor plan and high ceilings add to the feeling of spaciousness. Great windows capture the wonderful wooded views. The kitchen has lovely hickory cabinets with a cozy island. **MLS# 18343**

$124,899 116 Large Road, Capitan 3 BD / 2 BA well maintained home on three acres. 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 Largo. **MLS# 16856**

$244,900 196 Heath Drive, Ruidoso 3 BD / 1-¾ 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**

$595,000 193 Sierra 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. **MLS# 18421**

$89,900 702 White Mountain Drive, #2 1 BD / 1 BA Barely 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**

$139,900 213 Windfield 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, including laminate wood floors, new kitchen, new paint, and new carpet. Electrical and plumbing have been updated. All city utilities. **MLS# 16923**

$459,000 106 Pat Thompson Court, Ruidoso Exquisite spacious 6 BD / 3 ¼ BA newer home with magnificent views of Sierra Blanca. Located on a very desirable cul-de-sac. Very upscale finishing touches. Great decks with all the amenities. **MLS# 17472**

$159,000 208 Grove 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# 17289**

$220,000 305 College Drive, Ruidoso 3 BD / 2 BA home with terrific views from covered front deck. Beautiful wood lot. Secluded feeling. Storage shed. Spectacular great room with wood covered walls. Level entry. Asphalt driveway. Very desirable location. **MLS# 18252**

$148,500 182 Alto Alps, #22, Alto 3 BD / 1 BA / 1-¼ BA / 1-½ BA. Great condo in Alto Alps. Very spacious living/ kitchen/ dining area and large open deck that opens to the tall pines for that Ruidoso feel. Kitchen and master bath have Mohawk wood floors. Entry and guest baths have tile floors for easy maintenance. Tiled counters and decorator's touch throughout. Easy level entry. Grill and most outside furniture stays. This is a must see!

$154,000 293 Rusty Canyon, Ruidoso Cute, cozy and close! Charming 3 BD / 2 BA manufactured home nestled in the pines. Lovely décor, fully furnished with covered and uncovered decks. Just minutes from Midtown. Terrific opportunity. **MLS# 16781**

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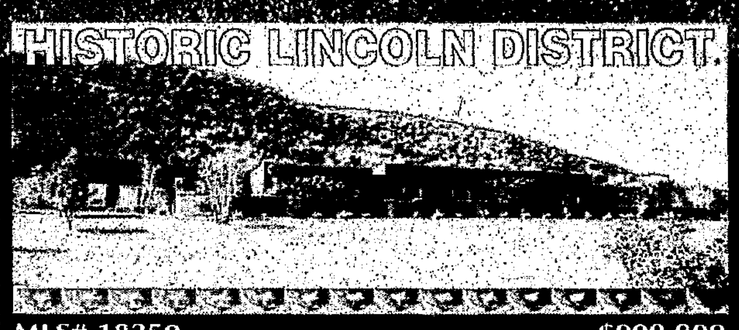
MLS# 18149 $700,000
FANTASTIC BUY IN EAGLE CREEK, main house, 2 guest houses, apt, dbl garage, rec. room, 2 wet bars, shop. Beautiful acreage, paved drive. $700,000 + current appraisal, good condition but dated. Horses allowed.

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. 5K SELLING BONUS!!



MLS# 18250 $999,999
Lincoln Historic District, BELOW APPRAISAL, 2 living areas, courtyards front and rear, extensive landscaping, sprinkler system, study, indoor heated pool, heated triple garage, new 1200 sq.ft. 2 bedroom 2 bath guest house! + Alto golf membership.

MLS# 17597
FANTASTIC, CUSTOM, TERRITORIAL NEW MEXICAN HOME. Six car garage, 1,000 sq.ft. guest house, landscaped, drip irrigation, outdoor living w/fireplace, stainless grill, granite counters, gourmet kitchen, in-floor heat, ref A/C. Call L/O for packet, 2 golf

MLS# 15167 $189,000
CHEAPEST HOME IN ALTO! Just remodeled. Secluded in tall pines. Four decks. Big rock fireplace, radiant hot water heater. 2 levels. Oversized lot. Sq.ft. per county. $235,000 upgrade to golf membership, buyer pays transfers.

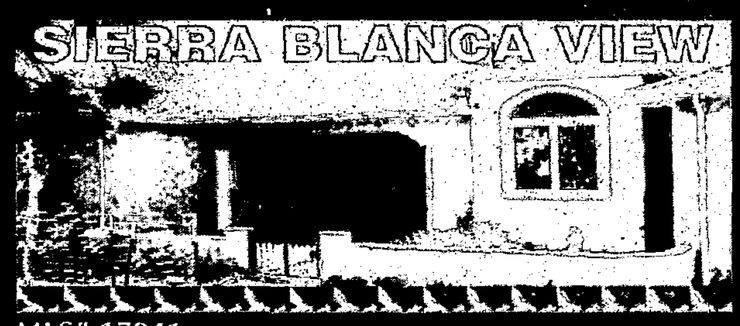
MLS# 15776
Exquisite home, completely furnished with high-end furnishings throughout. 2 masters, 2 living areas, triple garage, granite counters, decorator items, 8 ft. doors, high ceilings, 3/4 acre lot, seller will upgrade to golf at closing.

MLS# 15943 $659,000
Bear Mountain Lodge, 6 units, re-modeled in 2002 with mountain charm. Great location, Mechem frontage, over 6,000 sq.ft. Great nightly rental, corporate retreat, furnished, easy access.

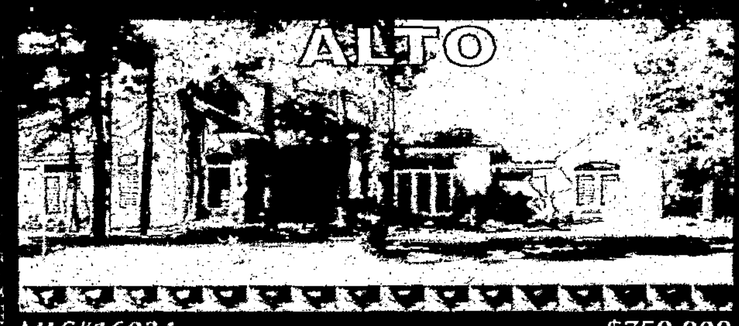
MLS# 18404 $1,275,000
FANTASTIC SIERRA BLANCA VIEW from this custom New Mexico home. 12 ft ceilings throughout, 8 ft doors, Pella windows, 3 fireplaces, two 5,000 gal. water storage tanks, 3 car garage, courtyard front & back, patios, Viking & Kit Aid appl, in-floor heat, A/C.

MLS# 17292 $439,000
BIG VIEWS ON CUL-DE-SAC, BUILT NEW IN 2005. High ceilings, 2 living areas, solid granite, dry stack rock fireplace, large deck, jacuzzi tub, carport, fully furnished, social membership. $5,000 bonus to selling office.

MLS# 17222
ONE OF THE FINEST MTN. FLAVOR HOMES IN ALTO. Blue Max const., heated drive, in-floor heat + forced air & A/C. Open floor plan, 2 lvg areas, Travertine floors, stainless steel appl., granite countertops, furn. addendum, upgrades throughout!

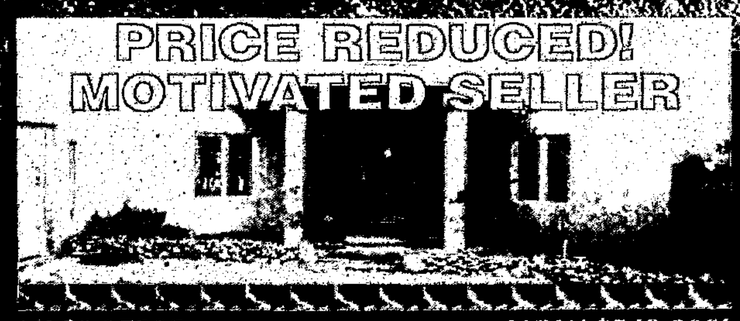


MLS# 17941
TUSCAN VILLA W/SIERRA BLANCA VIEW FROM EVERY ROOM. Exclusive gated community, Buena Vista Estates. Immaculate 4 bdrms, 2 living areas, office. Cabinets by Kristie's - El Paso, hand-troweled walls, stucco, 2 fireplaces, wood floors, granite tops.



MLS#16034 $759,000
WELL 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.

MLS #18048
GREAT SIERRA BLANCA & CAPITAN VIEWS FROM THIS SECLUDED 2 ACRE SETTING. Adjoining 2 acre lot available separately. wood accents, new stainless appliances. 2 large master suites, 2 living areas plus office. Golf membership, almost 1,000 sq.ft. of deck.



MLS# 17358 NOW $549,000!
BEAUTIFUL CONTEMPORARY SANTA FE STYLE HOME. 4 Bedrooms, 4 1/2 baths. Big views towards Capitan Mountains. 2 Living areas, granite tops, triple garage. Social Membership to Alto.

MLS# 16995 $175,000
CHARMING ONE LEVEL HOME WITH SIERRA BLANCA VIEW. Close to town with fireplace and paved drive. Large deck. 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath. Go to 5th Street, turn right on K Street, then right on Apache Hills. Yellow house on the right.

MLS# 18205
EDGE OF HEAVEN IS THE SETTING FOR THIS AUTHENTIC S.W. MASTERPIECE ON NEARLY 2 ACRE VIEW LOT. 15 adobe walls, massive vigas & niches, 3 outdoor courtyards, spa, waterfall, old-world detailing w/state-of-the-art features. High Mesa, left + Scripser.

MLS# 16482 $799,000
BIG VIEWS FROM THIS BEAUTIFUL CUSTOM HOME. Blue Max construction, 2 levels w/ loft. Three fireplaces, two living areas, landscaped courtyard, detached workshop, greenhouse, 2 decks.

MLS#17332 $695,000
PRIME COMMERCIAL PROPERTY just north of Alto. Entrance on Highway 48. Un-zoned, 7 1/2 acres, 100% useable.

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VERY NICE HOME IN GOOD AREA
New hardwood floors, plantation shutters & vaulted ceiling. Beautiful view from back deck. Great buy! **$180,000.** #18566.

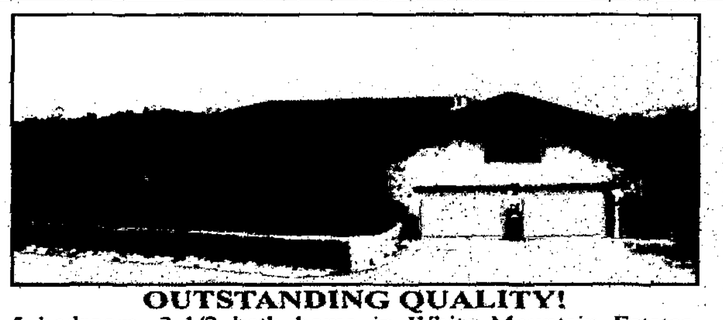
CENTRALLY LOCATED CHARMING MTN. CHALET!
This 3 bdrm., 2 bath chalet is situated on a generous .71 acre lot. Fabulous Sierra Blanca view! Open concept & vaulted wood ceilings. Dreaming of an office/studio & a workshop too? It's all here!!! **$345,000.** #18685.

GREAT MTN. HOME w/FULL GOLF MEMBERSHIP ON 14TH FAIRWAY ~
Soaring wood ceilings, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, approx. 2032 sq. ft., rock FP's, granite kit. counters, decks on 3 sides. Great views front & back. Very classy home! **$443,000.** #18315.

BEAUTIFUL SIERRA BLANCA VIEWS
Fabulous White Mountain Estates, 4 bedrooms, 3-1/2 baths, hot tub. Great mountain vacation home or could be permanent home. Fully furnished too! **$499,000.** #17196.

ENJOY THE RIVER'S SONG IN THIS CHARMING, LIKE-NEW CHALET
Historic Upper Canyon. Aspen interior, vaulted ceilings, log vigas, real rock FP, custom kitchen. Lovely furnishings. Sunrm. w/deluxe hot tub. Refrig. air. Garage. **$689,333.** #16425.

GORGEOUS MTN. HOME ON PRIVATE DEER PARK WOODS CUL-DE-SAC
Large 1 acre lot with spectacular Sierra Blanca & valley views. Contemporary open floor plan, vaulted ceilings, great kitchen & bar. Metal roof 04'. Must see! **$689,500.** #18239.



OUTSTANDING QUALITY!
5 bedroom, 3-1/2 bath home in White Mountain Estates. Spacious rooms, vaulted ceilings. Open floor plan. Fantastic views of Sierra Blanca & valley. Max styrofoam block walls, R-52 value & many, many extras. **$774,888.** #18368.

TERRIFIC HORSE PROPERTY!
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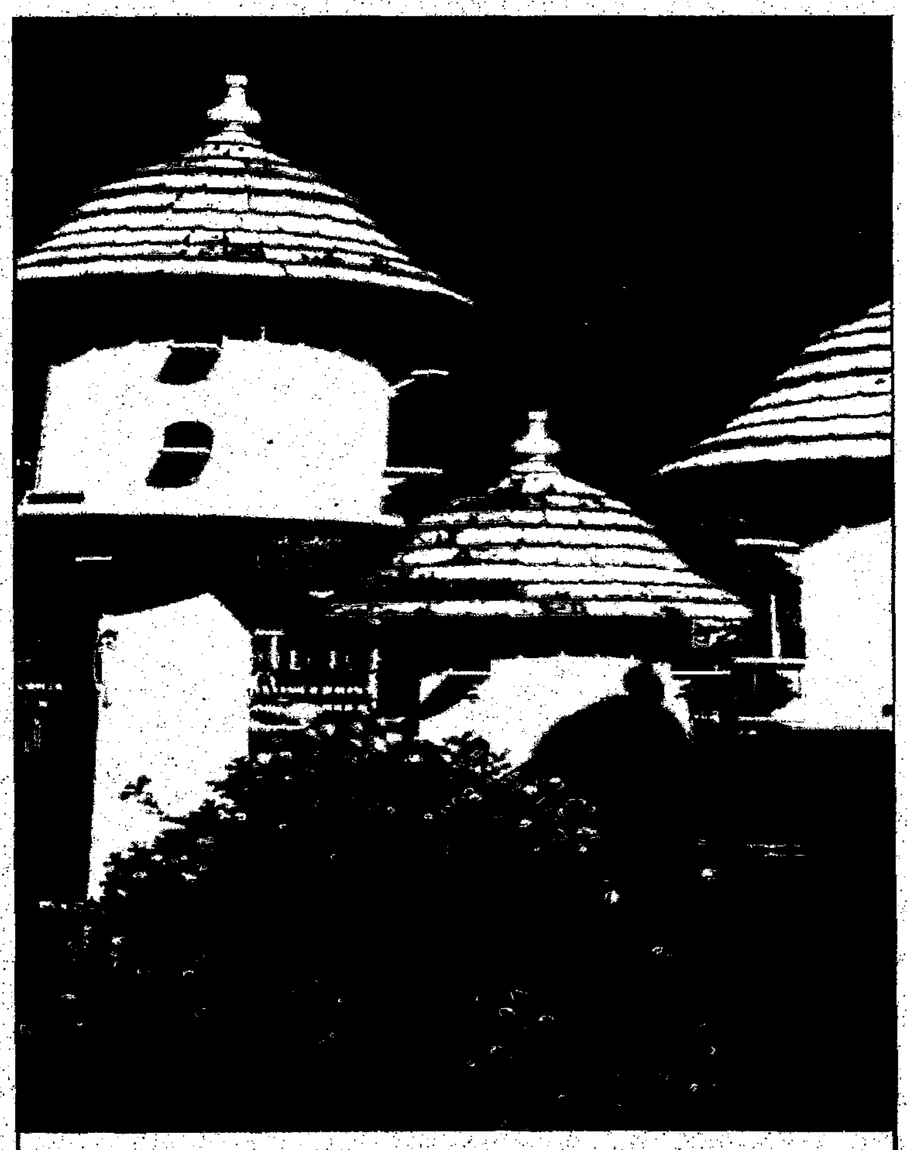

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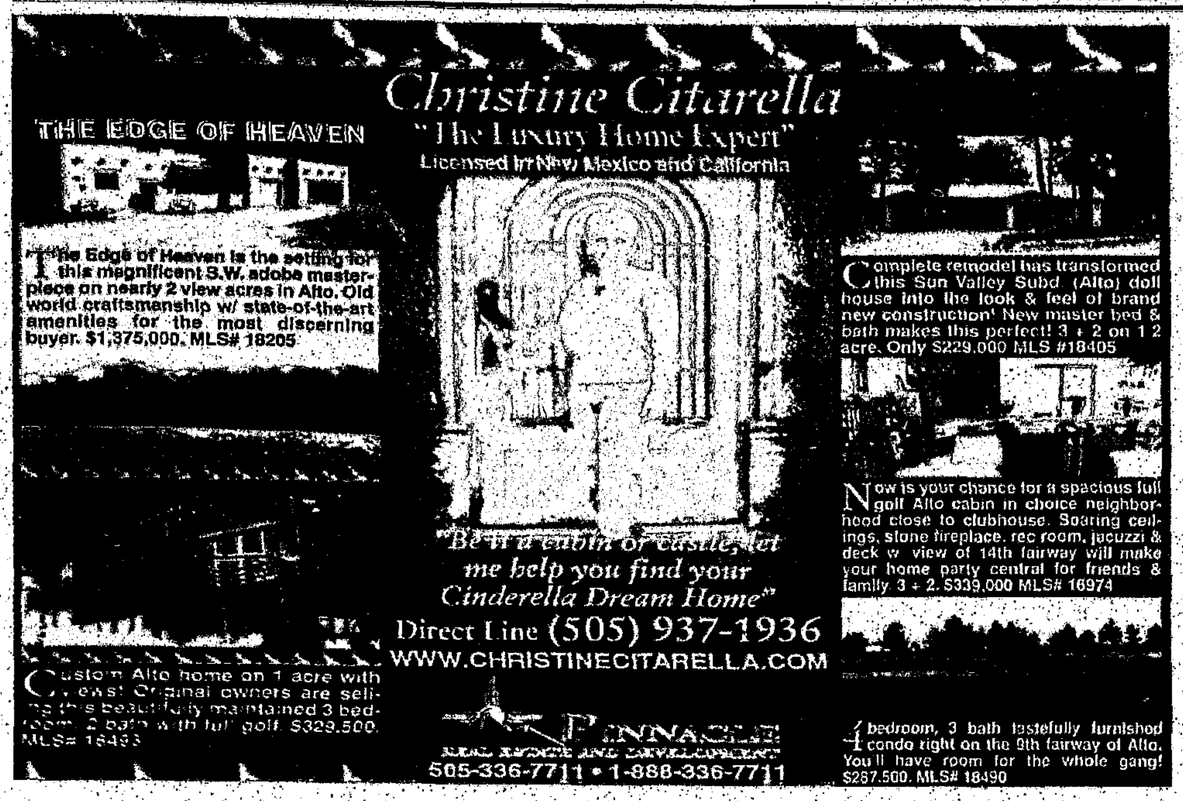

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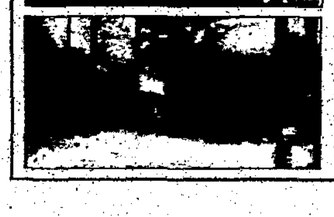

ALL OFFERS CONSIDERED!

This fantastic fixer in Ruidoso has 3 bedrooms & 2 baths. Needs some work but could be a great home. Here's your chance to start fresh for the kitchen of your dreams! Nice lot w/tall pines, double garage, 2 fireplaces, fully fenced, in cul-de-sac. Great location, down the street from the Texas Club. $199,900. Call Gayla @ 808-0536 MLS# 18529

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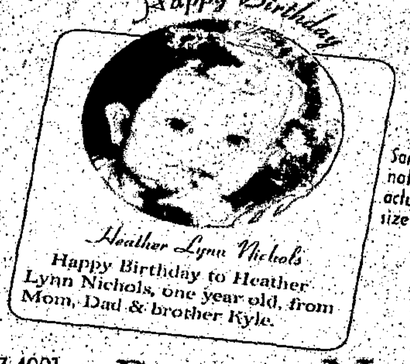

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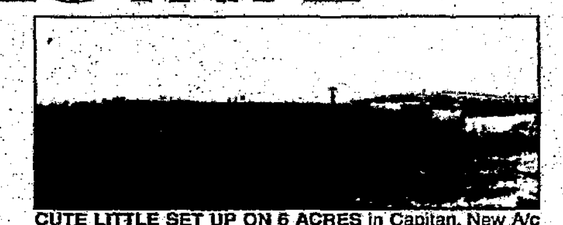
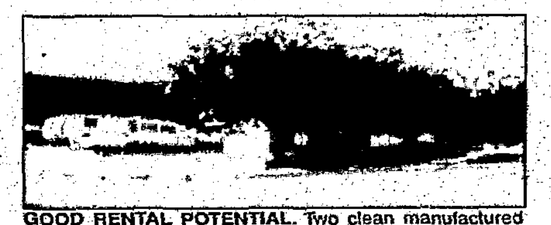
EXTRA NEAT AND CLEAN, this older mobile home is on wooded lot with 12'x20' covered deck. Home is completely furnished and ready to move into. Close to town yet private. New Storage building. #16035 $59,900



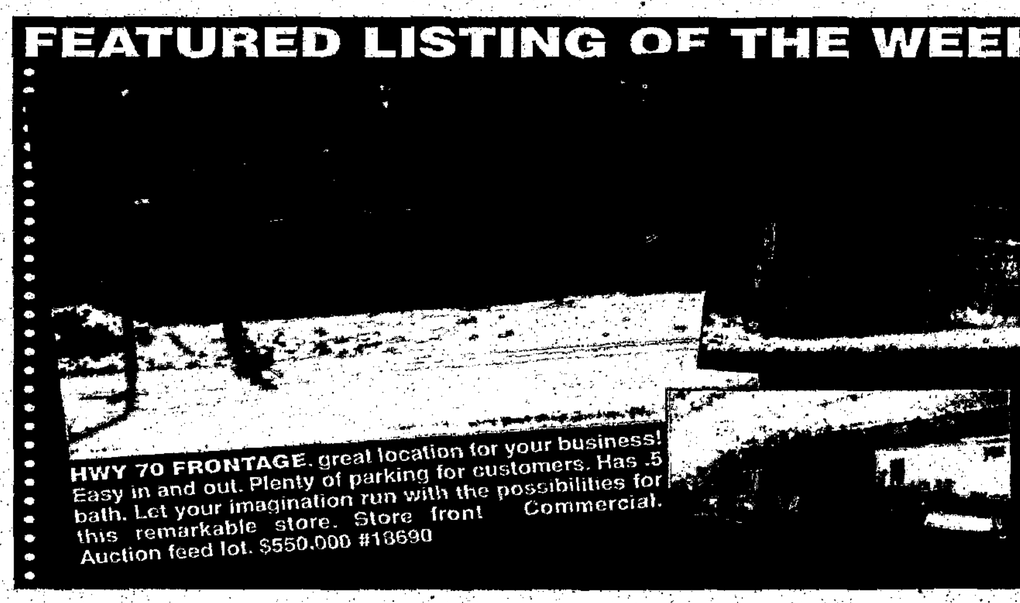
CUTE LITTLE SET UP ON 6 ACRES in Capitan. New A/c window unit, new water heater, stackable W/D stays. Septic has been inspected and brought up to code. Several outbuildings, 4 horse pens, 2 with sheds. $80,000 #18361



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

A DIAMOND IN THE ROUGH! This 3 bedroom, 2 bath home lies beneath beautiful tall pines on an incredible lot. Here's a Ruidoso home located in a beautiful neighborhood convenient to golf, shopping groceries, movies, etc. Call us on this one. $189,000

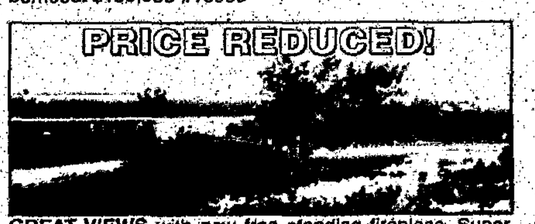
FEATURED LISTING OF THE WEEK:



HWY 70 FRONTAGE. great location for your business! Easy in and out. Plenty of parking for customers. Has .5 bath. Let your imagination run with the possibilities for this remarkable store. Store front Commercial. Auction feed lot. $550,000 #18690

BEAUTIFULLY MAINTAINED 3 bedroom, 2 bath home with fuel efficient wood stove in very nice area. The perfect full time or second home in very nice area. Move-in condition. Great views including the Capitans. Beautiful landscaping with wildlife in your back yard. Lovely neighborhood. $165,000 #16936

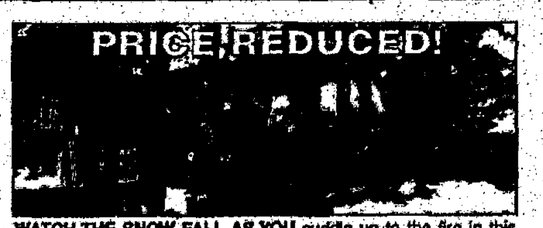
HANDYMAN SPECIAL on a seasonal creek. Great rental possibilities on two lots. Bright sunroom with lots of windows. Will make a great weekend get-away close to town. $95,000 #18401



GREAT VIEWS with new free standing 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. $85,900. #17078

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

COMMANDING VIEW OF WINTER, WILDLIFE, Sierra Blanca and the Capitans from this beautiful log home. Perfect for entertaining, this home has amenities galore: custom-made pottery fixtures in master bath, sauna and hot tub, in-floor radiant heat, and too many more to list. $750,000 #18292



WATCH THE SNOW FALL AS YOU cuddle up to the fire in this delightful family home. Corner lot in White Mountain Estates. w/easy care landscaping. 3 bedroom, 2.5 baths, spacious, open floor plan with huge living room, dining room, and kitchen. Get your buyers inside this one. PRICE REDUCED TO $335,000 #17596

YOUR CABIN IN THE PINES! New insulation, updated plumbing and wiring, hardwood floors and wood burning fireplace. All the hard work has been done, just add your own special touches. Easy walking distance to town. Fantastic value at $105,500! #18370

THE GUY WITH THE BUY

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. #18449

ALMOST 1.5 MILES OF FRONTAGE on Highway 380. Level to gentle slope. Enjoyable views, good well, electricity available, rural, unlimited possibilities and fenced. $832,500 #10697

TAKE A LOOK! Views of the Capitan Mountains, existing road through the property. 2.9 miles from the Sandesta turnoff. $80,000 #15709

PRICE REDUCTION !! BEAUTIFUL VIEW LOT-BUILDER'S DREAM. Sierra Blanca view. Nice neighborhood, close to town. Utilities available, septic required. $32,500 #15635

FANTASTIC BUILDING SITE. You can see Sierra Blanca, Nogal Peak and the Capitans from this 1 acre lot. Social membership with Alto Country Club. Come and see for yourself. $50,000 #16916

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BEAUTIFUL CUSTOM SANTA FE STYLE HOME 3 Br, 3 full Ba, 2 (1/2) Ba, all the extras, plus a theater. Full golf membership. Nice views of the Capitan Mts. $795,000. #13232

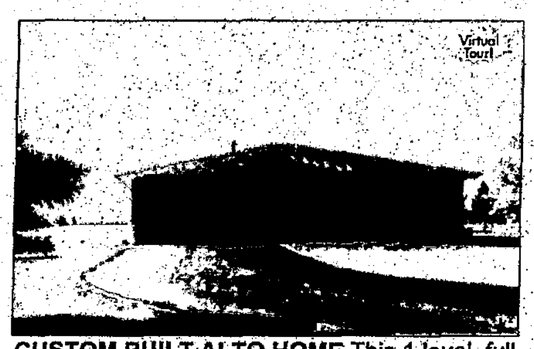
LOCATION - LOCATION ! No glare lg windows to enjoy the ALGCC golf course & lake. Remodeled. Granite breakfast bar & counters. Tile work thru-out. Furnished, golf, aerobic septic 8/05. $720,000. #18076

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.$499,000. #18050

BEAUTIFUL STUCCO HOME Tile roof, nice wooded view. Full golf membership. Furniture can be purchased separately. $485,000. #18159

REALLY NICE ALTO HOME 3 Br, 2 Ba, single garage + golf cart storage. New floor covering thru out, new appliances, paint in & out. Views of golf course, on #14 Fairway, golf mem. Owner/agent. $410,000. #18285



CUSTOM BUILT ALTO HOME This 1 level, full golf, Alto beauty on #9 Tee Box, looks across 2 fairways, 1 way & to theCapitans to the north. Open liv, din, kit. Glorious, sunny back deck. $392,500. #17978

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

ALTO SPANISH CONTEMPORARY Nestled amongst the pines in Ruidoso. Large family room that flows onto a second entertainers patio. $365,000. #16394

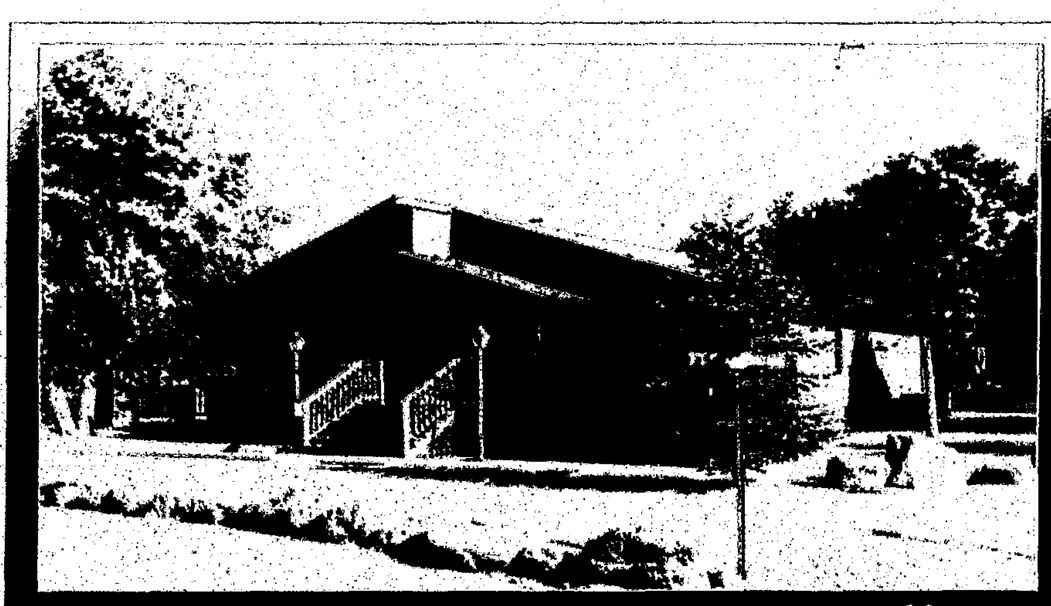
ON #15 FAIRWAY Across from big cedar tree, Alto full golf, tile roof, covered deck, stucco. Just an outstanding location & home. Dbl garage & paved driveway. $364,000. #18258

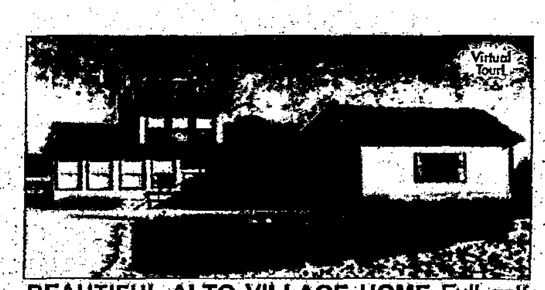
VERY NICE WELL KEPT HOME Golf membership. Decks for relaxing or entertaining family & friends. Bonus room w/wet bar & wood burning stove. Non-golf lot next door is also available. $339,000. #17726

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. #18301

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

LIKE NEW ALTO LAKES STUCCO HOME Many custom upgrades; granite counter tops, huge rock FP, hardwood floors, valley & Capitan Mt views. Flat lot w/easy access from paved rd. Non-golf membership. $282,500. #18316





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. $260,000. #18025

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. $269,000. #17352

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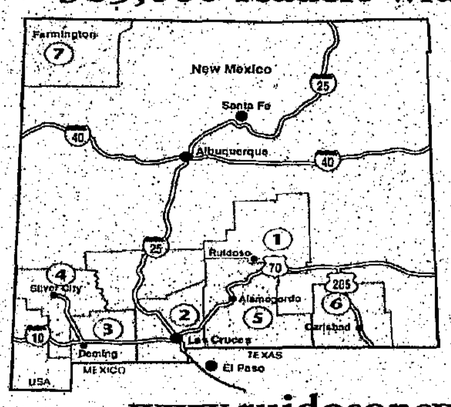

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Acceptance into the program was based on a demonstration of leadership & citizenship, and a desire to learn about diverse cultures. Students chosen as ambassadors venture into the world in the name of peace, friendship and understanding.

Claire is one of 14 Freshmen from Capitan School elected to go to Europe for a month – Spain, Italy, France – to share culture and traditions with students abroad and to learn about their culture and traditions. She will be staying with other students' families.

Claire will depart in June. Donations to help her in this once-in-a-lifetime trip will be greatly appreciated. (505) 354-2760.

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Plaintiff,
v.NO. CV-06-72

ANITA K. DEWBRE, IF LIVING, IF DECEASED, HER UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES, THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ANITA K. DEWBRE, and PROPERTY OWNERS' COMMITTEE OF RANCHO RUIDOSO VALLEY ESTATES, INC.,

Defendant(s).

SECOND AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will, on March 6, 2007, at 11:00 a.m., at the main entrance of the Ruidoso Municipal Building, 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all the right, title and interest of the above-named defendants in and to the following described real estate located in said County and State:

Lot 14, Block 1, of RANCHO RUIDOSO VALLEY ESTATES, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk and Ex-officio Recorder of Lincoln County, New Mexico, on November 30, 1982, in Cabinet D, Slide Nos. 99 to 103

The address of the real property is 102 Coman che Court, Alto, New Mexico. Said sale will be made pursuant to the Decree of Foreclosure entered on September 8, 2006, in the above entitled and numbered cause, which was a suit to foreclose a note and mortgage held by the above plaintiff and wherein plaintiff was adjudged to have a lien against the above-described real estate in the sum of $96,507.37, plus interest from July 16, 2006, to the date of sale at the rate of 7.375% per annum, or $17.25 per day, the costs of sale, including the Special Master's fee of $320.63, publication costs, and plaintiff's costs expended for taxes, insurance or keeping the property in good repair. 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.

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 of such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to a one (1) month right of redemption.

At the date and time stated above, the Special Master may postpone the sale to such later date and time as the Special Master may specify.

Dated January 26, 2007.

Jeffrey D. Lake
Special Master
820 Calle Amor SE
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87123
(505) 681-1414

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NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice is hereby given an election will be held on Tuesday, February 20, 2007 to elect three (3) members to the Board of Directors of Sun Valley Water and Sanitation District.

Janetta Britton has declared her candidacy for re-election. Marc Stewart has declared his candidacy for a two-year term, to complete a six-year vacated term of office. A four-year term is open at this time.

Any tax-paying elector living in the district is eligible as a write-in candidate for any of the positions.

Eligible to vote are all tax-paying electors of the district. "Tax-paying elector of a district" means a person registered to vote in any precinct in the state who: (1) is a resident of the district; (2) is a nonresident of the district who pays, or will be liable for paying, rates, tolls or charges set by the board; or (3) is a nonresident of the district who either has paid or incurred a general tax liability on real property within the district in the twelve months immediately preceding the election or who is purchasing real property within the district under a real estate contract where a property tax has been paid or incurred on the real property in the twelve months immediately preceding the election.

The polling place is the Alto-Bonito fire station in Sun Valley. The polls will open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 20, 2007. Results of the election will be reported to the Board of Directors at a special meeting immediately following the closing of the polls on Tuesday, February 20, 2007. The meeting of the Board of Directors will be held at the Alto-Bonito fire station.

/s/
Karen Payton, Secretary
Sun Valley Water & Sanitation District

#7554 2T (2)2,9

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GEORGE E. WATROUS, Deceased. PROBATE NO. PB 07-04

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 at 122 Mechem, Suite 2, Ruidoso, NM 88345, or filed with the District Court of Lincoln County.

WILLIAM L. WATROUS
Personal Representative of the Estate of George E. Watrou

Attorneys for the Personal Representative:
RICHARD A. HAWTHORNE, P.A.
Richard A. Hawthorne

1221 Mechem Drive, Suite 2, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345, (505) 258-3483

#7556 4T (2)9,16,23 (3)2

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV06-207

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.,

Plaintiff,

vs.

BEVERLY M. WALKER aka BEVERLY WOODARD WALKER aka BEVERLY MAE ALEXANDER; JOHN E. WALKER; JOHN DOE and JANE DOE, (true names unknown),
Tenants,

Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on March 7, 2007, 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 216 Rio Arriba Road, Ruidoso, and is situate in Lincoln County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

LOT 9, BLOCK 12 OF TOWN AND COUNTRY NORTH UNIT II, RUIDOSO LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO AS SHOWN BY THE

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AMENDED PLAT OF TOWN AND COUNTRY NORTH UNITS I AND II, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO RECORDER OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, ON FEBRUARY 23, 1967, IN TUBE NO. 201.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above-entitled and numbered cause on January 26, 2007, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above-described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is $137,558.39 and the same bears interest at 9.100% per annum from December 16, 2006 to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be $2,812.22. 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.

Nick Vega, Special Master
PO Box 383, Carrizozo, NM 88301, (505) 648-2463

#7559 1T (2)9

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Qualification-based competitive sealed proposals for Professional Engineering Services for Ruidoso Inflow & Infiltration Study, 2007 will be received by the Village of Ruidoso, 313 Cree Meadows Dr., Ruidoso, NM 88345 for RFP No. 06-007

The Village of Ruidoso is requesting proposals for professional services for Professional Engineering Services for Ruidoso Inflow & Infiltration Study, 2007.

Proposals will be received at the Village of Ruidoso Purchasing Department, c/o Fermin Herrera, 207 Center St., Ruidoso, NM 88345 until March 15, 2007 at 4:30 pm (MT). Submitted proposals shall not be publicly opened. Any proposals received after closing time will be rejected and returned unopened. The fact that a proposal was dispatched will not be considered.

Copies of the Request can be obtained in person at the office of the Purchasing Agent at 207 Center St. or will be mailed upon written or telephone request to Fermin Herrera, Purchasing Agent, at 505-257-2721.

The Village of Ruidoso reserves the right to reject any and/or all proposals and waive all informalities as deemed in the best interest of the Village.

Fermin Herrera
Village of Ruidoso
Purchasing Agent

#7560 1T (2)9

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Qualification-based competitive sealed proposals for Professional Consulting Services for Ruidoso Water Leak Detection Study, 2007 will be received by the Village of Ruidoso, 313 Cree Meadows Dr., Ruidoso, NM 88345 for RFP No. 06-008

The Village of Ruidoso is requesting proposals for professional services for Professional Consulting Services for Ruidoso Water Leak Detection Study, 2007.

Proposals will be received at the Village of Ruidoso Purchasing Department, c/o Fermin Herrera, 207 Center St., Ruidoso, NM 88345 until March 15, 2007 at 4:30 pm (MT). Submitted proposals shall not be publicly opened. Any proposals received after closing time will be rejected and returned unopened. The fact that a proposal was dispatched will not be considered.

Copies of the Request can be obtained in person at the office of the Purchasing Agent at 207 Center St. or will be mailed upon written or telephone request to Fermin Herrera, Purchasing Agent, at 505-257-2721.

The Village of Ruidoso reserves the right to reject any and/or all proposals and waive all informalities as deemed in the best interest of the Village.

Fermin Herrera
Village of Ruidoso
Purchasing Agent

#7561 4T (2)7,9,14,16

CALL FOR BIDS

The Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority will open Sealed Bids at 2:00 p.m. on February 20, 2007 at the Authority's Office, 222 2nd Street, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico 88346, on the following:

Construction of 10'x14' Gatehouse

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 Waster Authority, P.O. Box 2405 RUidoso Downs, New Mexico 88346; with the envelope clearly marked, "Construction 10'x14' Gatehouse" on the lower left hand corner of the submitted envelope. It shall be the responsibility of the bidder to see that the 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 February 20, 2007 at 2:00 p.m., 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

Debra Ingle, Operations Supervisor

#7564 4T (2)7,9,14,16

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT STATE OF NEW MEXICO LINCOLN COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN THOMAS MCGRATH

Deceased

Cause No. PB-07-08

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 (2) 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 Frode Howard McSwane, 1096 Mechem Dr., Suite 302, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345 at the address listed below, or filed with the District Court.

Dated: October 10, 2006

/s/
SHANNAN DEETZ
Personal Representative
c/o Frode Howard McSwane, FREDA HOWARD MCSWANE, P.C., 1096 Mechem Drive, Suite 302, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345

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VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ADOPT

ORDINANCE 2007-02

Notice is hereby given that the Governing Body, Village of Ruidoso shall conduct a public hearing in conjunction with a regular meeting scheduled on February 27, 2007 at 4:30 p.m. at the Ruidoso Administrative Offices, 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico, for the purpose of adopting the following ordinance:

ORDINANCE 2007-02: "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO MUNICIPAL CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 6, ALARM SYSTEMS, SECTIONS 6-1, 6-2, 6-3, 6-4, 6-5, 6-6, 6-7, 6-8, 6-10, 6-11, 6-12 AND 6-13; AND APPENDIX A FEE SCHEDULE."

Copies of Ordinance 2007-02 are on file in the office of the Village Clerk and are available for public review Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Village of Ruidoso this 9th day of February, 2007.

(SEAL)

_____/S/_____
Irma Nava, Village Clerk

#7566 1T (2)9

RESOLUTION 2007-01

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR DETERMINATION OF REASONABLE NOTICE OF MEETINGS OF THE CITY OF RUIDOSO DOWNS PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

The City of Ruidoso Downs Planning and Zoning Commission is informed that:

WHEREAS, the City of Ruidoso Downs Planning & Zoning Commission met in regular session at 5:30 PM on Tuesday, February 6, 2007, as required by law; and

WHEREAS, Section 10-15-1 (D) of the Open Meetings Act requires the City of Ruidoso Downs Planning and Zoning Commission to determine annually what constitutes reasonable notice of its public meetings.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be it resolved by the City of Ruidoso Downs Planning and Zoning Commission that:

(1)Open Meetings

Pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1(A) and (B), all meetings of a quorum of The Planning & Zoning Commission of the City of Ruidoso

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Downs, New Mexico, held for the purpose of formulating public policy, discussing public business, or for the purpose of taking any action within the authority delegated to the Planning & Zoning Commission, as further described in Sections III and IV of this Policy, shall be open to the public, except as otherwise provide provided by law. Any member of the public may attend an open meeting and listen to the deliberations and proceedings of the Planning & Zoning Commission.

(II) Closed Meetings

Pursuant to NMSA 1978, Sections 10-15-1 (H) and (I), the Planning & Zoning Commission upon its own motion may close a meeting to the public if the subject matter of such discussion or action is included in Subsection H of the Open Meetings Act, NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1, or if the need to close the meeting is required by other laws which specifically preserve the confidentiality of certain information that is to be considered at the closed meeting. If any meeting is closed pursuant to the exclusions contained in Subsection H of NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1, such closure:

(1) if made in an open meeting, shall be approved by a majority vote of the quorum of the Planning and Zoning Commission and the specific statutory or other authority for such closure, and the subject to be discussed, shall be stated with reasonable specificity in the motion calling for the vote on a closed meeting, and such vote shall be taken in an open meeting and the vote of each member of the Planning and Zoning Commission shall be recorded in the minutes;

(2) if called for when the Planning and Zoning Board is not in an open meeting, such closed meeting shall not be held until public notice, appropriate under the circumstances, stating the specific provision of law authorizing the closed meeting and stating with reasonable specificity the subject to be discussed, is given to members of the general public. Only those subjects announced or voted upon prior to closure by the City Council shall be discussed in a closed meeting.

Following completion of any closed meeting, the minutes of the open meeting that was closed, or the minutes of the next open meeting, if the closed meeting was separately scheduled, shall state whether the matters discussed in the closed meeting were limited only to those specified in the motion or notice for closure.

Except as provided in Section 10-15-1 (H) of the Open Meetings Act, any action taken as a result of discussions in the closed meeting shall be made by vote of the Planning and Zoning Commission in an open public meeting.

A. Regularly Scheduled Open Meeting

Unless the business before the Planning & Zoning Commission dictates otherwise, the Planning & Zoning Commission conducts open meetings to take formal action the first Tuesday of each month at 5:30 PM. However, when that Tuesday is a city holiday, that meeting will be held on the next business day.

The Planning & Zoning Commission and staff are hereby authorized and directed to publish this resolution and a schedule of regular meetings one time as legal advertisement in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Ruidoso Downs. Except in the case of an emergency as defined in NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1 (F), the Planning & Zoning Commission will conspicuously post an agenda of the meeting at least24 hours prior to the meeting. In accordance with this resolution, the agenda shall be issued and circulated to the press, radio and other public information media who have provided a written request for such notice and posted on bulletin boards of the City of Ruidoso Downs Hall

The agenda shall indicate the date, time and place of the meeting, a title of all actions items to be considered at that meeting, and a list of any other specified items of business to be transacted. Except for emergency matters as defined by NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1 (F), the Planning & Zoning Commission shall take action only on items appearing on the agenda.

A. Hearings Before the Planning & Zoning Commission At any hearing at which a quorum of the Planning & Zoning Commission, the Planning & Zoning Commission will provide notice of the hearing as an open meeting to take formal action and shall issue an agenda as prescribed in Section III (A) or (C) of this policy. Within a reasonable time, but in no case less than 24 hours, prior the hearing, the Planning & Zoning Commission also shall provide actual notice to all parties in that case or their counsel and to any other person who has requested such notice of the date, time, location and purpose of the hearing.

If during the course of a public hearing at which a quorum of the Planning & Zoning Commission presides, the Planning & Zoning Commission determines that the hearing should be recessed and reconvened to a date subsequent to that stated in the meeting notice, the Planning & Zoning Commission will specify the date, time and place for the continuation of the meeting prior to recessing and will conspicuously post notice of the date, time and place for the reconvened meeting near the door of the place where the original meeting was held in the bulletin boards in City Hall.

B. Other Open Meetings in between Regularly Scheduled Open Meetings.

If the public interest requires other formal action by the Planning & Zoning Commission between regularly scheduled open meetings, the Planning & Zoning Commission may conduct an open meeting to take formal action at such times. Except in the case of an emergency as defined in NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1 (F), the Planning & Zoning Commission will provide notice of each such meeting by conspicuously posting an agenda and a notice of the date, time and location of such special open meeting in the bulletin board in City Hall and by delivering a copy of the notice to the press in the Public Information Office at least 24 hours prior to the special open meeting.

(III)Work Sessions

A quorum of the Planning & Zoning Commission also meets periodically in "Work Sessions". A "Work Session" is any meeting of a quorum of the Planning & Zoning Commission, which does not involve any formal action by the Planning & Zoning Commission. Such sessions include, but are not limited to:

(1) discussion related to the formulation of public policy prior to the formal discussion or adoption of any resolution or ordinance pending before the Planning & Zoning Commission,

(2) discussions of internal administrative actions concerning the operations of the Planning & Zoning Commission, and

(3) information discussions between staff and the Planning & Zoning Commission in preparation for formal discussions or action.

Work Sessions of a quorum of the Planning & Zoning Commission are open meetings and are open to the public unless the subject of the work session is included in Subsection H of NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1 and the Planning & Zoning Commission decides to close the work session to the public in accordance with NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1 (I) and Section II of this policy. Any person wishing to attend a work session of the Planning & Zoning Commission which has not been closed pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1 (H) and 10-15-1 (I) and this Open Meetings Policy shall be allowed to attend and listen to the discussions.

(IV)All other meetings

All other meetings which may be called for informational purposes at which no action is taken shall be held only after written notice is issued to the news media no later than 12:00 noon of the day of such meeting, or four (4) hours before such meeting, whichever is greater.

(V) Notice Compliance

Substantial compliance with any one of the appropriate foregoing methods of giving notice shall constitute compliance with this resolution and Section 10-15-1 to 10-15-4 NMSA 1978. Nothing herein shall prevent the use of additional means or methods of giving notice of regular or special meetings. Nothing herein shall require new notice of any public meeting for which notice has been given and which is recessed or adjourned. However, in recessing the meeting, the presiding officer shall announce the meeting, the time and place the meeting shall reconvene.

(VI)Accommodations

In addition to the information specified above, all notices shall include the following language:

If you are an individual who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing or meeting, please contact the Clerk at City of Ruidoso Downs City Hall at least one week prior to the meeting or as soon as possible.

(VII) Validity

If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this resolution shall be for any reason held to be invalid or unenforceable, the validity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph or clause or provision shall not effect any of the remaining provisions of this resolution or its application to other situations.

(VIII) Repealer

All by-laws, order and resolutions or parts thereof, inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent only of such inconsistency. This repeal shall not be construed to revive any prior by-law, order or resolution or part thereof, heretofore repealed.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED ON THIS 6th DAY OF February 2007.

/s/ Paul van Gulick, Chairman

S7Bonnie Richardson
Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

S7 Daniel A. Bryant, City Attorney

PLANNING AND ZONING MEETING DATES

CALENDAR YEAR 2007

JANUARY
Tuesday-January 2, 2007

FEBRUARY
Tuesday-February 6, 2007

MARCH
Tuesday-March 6, 2007

APRIL
Tuesday-April 3, 2007

MAY
Tuesday-May 1, 2007

JUNE
Tuesday-June 5, 2007

JULY
Tuesday-July 3, 2007

AUGUST
Tuesday-August 7, 2007

SEPTEMBER
Tuesday-September 4, 2007

OCTOBER
Tuesday-October 2, 2007

NOVEMBER
Tuesday-November 6, 2007

DECEMBER
Tuesday-December 4, 2007

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LEGAL NOTICE

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners is hereby accepting nominations for appointment to the Lincoln County Senior Citizens Olympic Committee for one member to fill a vacancy on the Committee. The prospective members must be domiciled and registered to vote within the County of Lincoln.

Nominations shall be made in writing to the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners for appointment to the Lincoln County Senior Citizens Olympic Committee.

Nominations will be accepted by the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners at the Lincoln County Courthouse, P.O. Box 711, Carrizozo, New Mexico 88301, until 8:00 A.M., February 20, 2007.

MARTHA GUEVARA
ASSISTANT COUNTY MANAGER

EMPLOYMENT

Employment 204

A Cool Travel Job!! Now hiring 18-24 Guys/Gals to work and travel entire USA. Paid training, Transportation and lodging furnished. Call today, Start today. 1-877-646-5050.

DRIVER- ASAP 36-43 CPM/$1.20PM + SIGN ON BONUS $0 LEASE NEW TRUCKS CDSL-A +3MOS OTR 800-635-8669.

Sales/Agents 222

Advertising Sales Reps Yellow Page Co. is seeking sales reps. Great comm. structure $60-$100K/yr. potential + benefits. Travel required. Call 888-249-6920 ext. 217 or fax to 801-988-1171

Gen. Help Wanted 224

Assistant Manager needed @ WORLD FINANCE-Will Train 257-5840
Apply at 394 Sudderth

Best Western Pine Springs Inns Night auditer needed. Bilingual a plus. Apply in person @ 1420 W. Hwy 70, No phone calls Pleasell

Full time rental shop help. St. Bernard. 420 Mechem, Ruidoso.

Medical/Health Care 220

LMSW, LISW or LPC - Licensed, Master's Level Program Therapist position on an **As Need Basis (PRN)** at Geropsych outpatient treatment program in **RUIDOSO, New Mexico.** Exp. in gero and/or psych. Must love working with elderly. Patient population is high functioning. Excellent pay. Program Hours are M-F 8-5 Fax resume to 281-397-6482 or visit **www.diamondheritagehealth.com**

Gen. Help Wanted 224

BEST WESTERN RUIDOSO INN needs Breakfast Bar host on Saturdays & Sundays. Apply in person at 97 Camelot.

BEST WESTERN RUIDOSO INN Needs Front Desk Person For Sun/Mon. 3-11 Apply in Person @ 97 Camelot

Breakfast Bar host needed on Saturdays & Sundays from 5:30 am to 11:30. Apply at the Holiday Inn Express, 400 W. Hwy 70.

DRIVERS WANTED: We are now taking applic. for school bus drivers. All training(bonus $100) & Licensing is available, Classes starting right away. Great opportunity for anyone. All Holiday's, Spring break & Summer off. Retirement plan available. Call 378-5410. Leave message & number. We'll call you back!

El Camino Nuevo Restaurant now hiring servers. Apply in person from 2 to 4. 1025 Mechem. No phone calls, please.

Full time position in maintenance. Good pay and benefits available for the right person. Experience required. Submit application at Crown Point Condos. 220 Crown Dr., Ruidoso.

GROWING LAW OFFICE NEEDS YOUR TALENT! Three civil practice attorneys in Ruidoso are looking for assistants with strong written and spoken communication aptitudes, organizational skills and healthy work ethics. Accounting and bookkeeping experience a plus! Send reply letter, resume and references to 106 Rio Street, Ruidoso, NM 88345.

Guardian Construction is seeking a part-time Equipment Mechanic to maintain and service heavy construction equipment. Please call (505) 257-2279.

HOUSEKEEPER Wanted, Apply in person at A/Frame Cabins. 1012 Mechem Dr.

Live where you work. Wanted couples to manage indoor self storage business. Must do some maintenance, 263-5116

Log Cabin Restaurant-Cooks. Apply in Person-No Phone Calls. 1074 Mechem Dr.

Manager Needed for Electrical Supply in Ruidoso Downs. Please call 378-7169 or 937-2737.

Part Time grill cook, Apply in person. 418 Sudderth Dr.

PASTA CAFE
Accepting applications for experienced Line Cooks, Sautee Cooks & Prep Cooks. Experience a plus. Top dollar paid. Apply in person, 11 am -4 pm daily. EOE.

The Ruidoso Downs Municipal Court is seeking a part-time/fill-in Clerk. Must be able to work fridays all day and up to 8 hours during the week. Will fill in when Court Clerk is on vacation or training. Person must have typing skills, be computer literate, DWI free with a short citation history and a US citizen. Background check mandatory. Contact the court in person at 122 Downs Drive, Ruidoso Downs. Call 378-5316 or email mcord@zianet.com for applications or information. Wages $10.00 an hour. Taking applications until position is filled.

Gen. Help Wanted 224

Need to sell something? Phone 257-4001 Ruidoso News Classifieds

Coble Constructors
Looking for experienced concrete finishers. Must have own tools and transportation. Work in Lincoln and Otero County
TOP PAY
FOR TOP HANDS!
505-437-6011

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

WANTED WELDER for fine art bronze finishing studio. Experience preferred. Please apply in person at McGary Studios, 2002 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso

RUIDOSO

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER
Salary $9,69 hourly. Excellent benefit package included (vacation, sick, retirement & insurance). Applications accepted until 4:00 p.m. Friday, February 19, 2007. 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 *"Drug free Workplace" EEOE*

RUIDOSO

CERTIFIED PATROL OFFICER
Salary $15.72 - $18.18 hourly depending on certifications and shift. Excellent benefit package included (vacation, sick, retirement & insurance). Applications accepted until positions are 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 *"Drug free Workplace" EEOE*

RUIDOSO VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

VISITOR'S CENTER FULL/PART TIME POSITION
Information Specialist
Candidates must possess; good knowledge of the area, events; willingness to learn; ability to multi-task in fast paced environment; current MS Office computer, email and internet skills; strong communication & organizational skills. Bilingual is a plus. Weekend and Holidays required. Serious applicants only. No phone calls please. Pick up application at: Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce 720 Sudderth Drive *EOE*

Employment 204

The Counseling Center
206 Sudderth Drive,
Ruidoso, New Mexico

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.

Secretary-Receptionist — Must be able to multi-task and be comfortable in a fast-paced environment. Minimum requirements include: one year of college/technical school or two years of related office experience, excellent communications skills, ability to deal with the public, and computer proficiency (word processing, spreadsheets, data bases etc.) Bilingual/Spanish a plus.

Drop off letter of interest and resume at The Counseling Center, 206 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, and pick up and complete an employment application at same address. Position open until filled. Excellent benefits package.

EOE

Gen. Help Wanted 224

WORK YOUR OWN SCHEDULE... PER DIEM HEALTH CARE WORKERS

New Horizons Developmental Center, Inc. in Carrizozo, NM is a long-term, 19 bed, health care facility for developmentally disabled adults.

Direct Care Technicians work in a home setting with 5 to 1 ratio providing daily care and assisting residents with prescribed programs. Programs include personal health care, diet, affective development, social development, home and community skills supervision.

Certified Medication Aide through in-house training and certification administers medications to residents on a prescribed daily schedule.

As a per diem employee, after in-house training, you will become a member of a bank of per diem employees, allowing you the flexibility to create your own schedule. *After one year of employment and designated vested hours, all per diem employees become part of our profit sharing plan.* All applicants must be 21 years of age or older and mst be able to pass drug/alcohol screening, health exam and background check. New Horizons Developmental Center, Inc. is an equal opportunity employer.

Applications may be obtained at: New Horizons Developmental Center, Inc. 810 "E" Ave, Carrizozo, NM 88301 or call 505-648-2379

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We're known for our coffee, but our people make us famous. We are recruiting baristas to wear the green aprons! Join us a our hiring event:

Friday, February 16, 2007 at the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM, 720 Sudderth Dr.

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Administrative Office of the Courts Judicial Specialist

The Lincoln County Magistrate Court in Ruidoso, New Mexico is accepting applications for the full-time permanent position of **Judicial Specialist.** Hiring range: $12.470 - $14.670 per hour. Under general supervision, performs clerical, secretarial and paralegal duties involved in case processing. Conducts the clerical business of the court in compliance with New Mexico State statutes, rules, regulations and court procedures. Receipts money paid to the court. Receives and process cases and documents. Assists the general public, law enforcement officials and attorneys. May be exposed to unpleasant, hostile or violent situations that arise when dealing with individuals involved in court cases.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Requires a high school diploma or GED.
- Requires experience using WordPerfect 6.0 or 6.1 for Windows.
- Requires one year of experience working in a court case management; in a legal setting or other relevant experience. Experience working in a court clerk's office is preferred.
- Requires money handling experience.
- Ability to speak Spanish is desired.

TO APPLY: A New Mexico Judicial Branch Application for Employment and proof of education must be received by 4:00 p.m. on Monday, February 16, 2007 at:

Ruidoso Magistrate Court
Attn: Lorena Lamay, Chief Clerk
301 Hwy 70 W. #2
Ruidoso, NM 88345

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Ski Apache

The Inn of The Mountain Gods Resort and Casino and Ski Apache are accepting applications for the following positions:

HOUSEKEEPING:
Full-Time & Part-Time Positions in Public Space & Room Attendants

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Administrative Experience Required
Excellent interpersonal skills
Application Deadline: Until Filled or no later than March 8, 2007
For detailed information and application please call 505-354-8500 or download from web page at www.capitan.k12.nm.us

Employment Wanted 230

2006 Tax Preparation. 1040 A-1040-New Mexico State Returns. Call 505-378-1142 or 505-937-2323

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Unfurn. Apts. - General 328

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Townhouses/ Condominiums 342

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2 bdrm 1 ½ bath. Centrally located with spectacular views. CLOSE TO SCHOOLS $700-850 per month. First/Last/Sec.Dep. Nightly/weekly also available. Please call 258-3283

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NEW SUBDIVISION IN LINCOLN HISTORIC DISTRICT. Almost 2 acres with drive, good well and electric already in. Beautiful Bonita River Valley views. Building must comply with Historic District guidelines. Has shared well with Lot 3. $39,000. #13483 BILL PIPPIN REAL ESTATE 257-4228

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ONE HALF JOCKEY CLUB MEMBERSHIP (2 SEATS) included with this almost level wooded lot. Easy access. The owner will pay one half of the transfer fee. $54,000. #15735 BILL PIPPIN REAL ESTATE 257-4228

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Homes - General 412

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King bed,twin beds w/beautyrest mattress and white iron head boards, antique dressing table,DR set,tv armoire, antique sewing machine, Wicker sunroom furniture, florals. Nice. Call 336-1902 or 336-7621.

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CONDOS:
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Mobile Home Rental 308

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3/2 with all major appliances, built in entertainment center; extra large garage w/work bench, deck, large fenced yard. $1250 first & last, $500 security. 258-3517

307 Marble. 3 bed, 2 ba., 2 car garage, fenced yard. Long term only. Pet Considered. $975/mo, $00 Deposit. Owner/agent Scott 808-1297

Clean, Sml 2 bd. with refrig & stove & carpet. Just right for 2 people. Sml dog neg. Ref required. $425/mo + utilities, $100/dep. 378-4396 or 937-0494.

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Priced below Market! 2.2 acres, 2600+ sq. ft. residential or commercial, central heat & air, new septic system, good well! MLS#15027 • $185,000

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For this charming 2/2 cabin in the woods! Home has some furniture, built in FP, city water & a good well, and lots of tall pine trees! You really should see this one! MLS#18240 • $102,000

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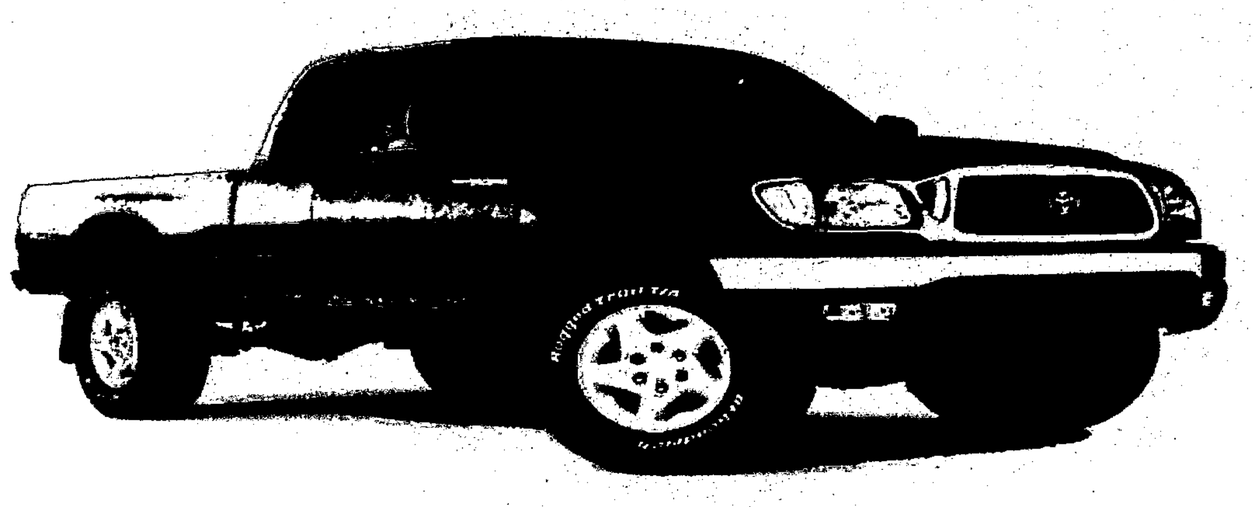

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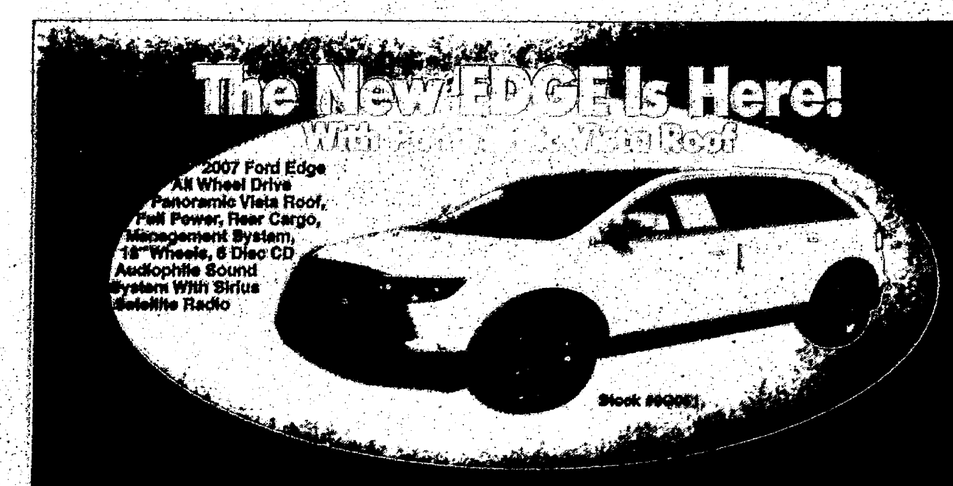

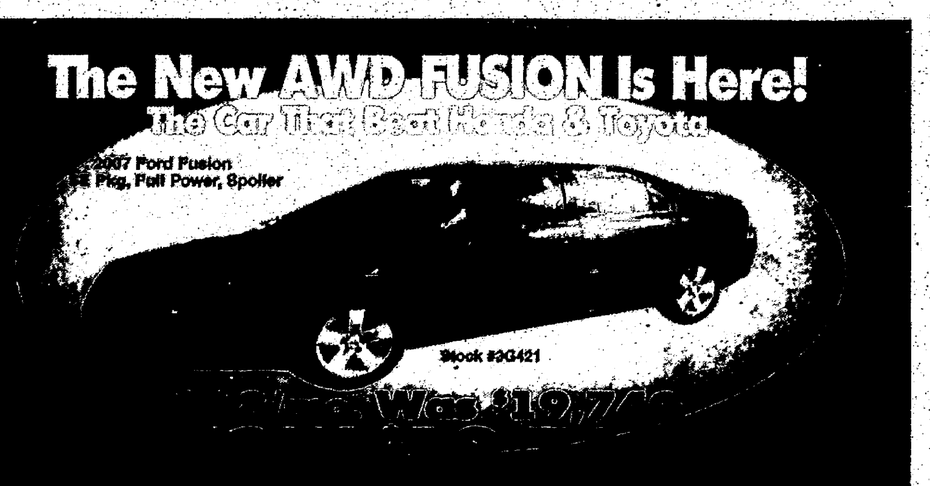

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COURTESY

Singers from the Buena Vista Bobcat Choir work on their singing and choreography in preparation for Chorus Fest. Hosted by NMSU-A Music Department, choirs from area schools and NMSU-A present individual performances on Feb. 17, followed by the combined voices in a finale with an instrumental ensemble. $5/family, $3/ adults, $2/students and seniors. Proceeds will benefit the Lewis Jordan Scholarship Fund. 7 p.m. at the NMSU-A Tays Special Events Center. Info: Don Thorp, 437-3726.

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Roger Landes

Feb. 9: (Alamogordo) Alamogordo Area House Concert Series presents Roger Landes, premier bouzouki player, and singer-songwriter Chipper Thompson at the Unitarian Fellowship, 1010 16th St. Optional potluck 6 p.m., music 7-9 p.m. Suggested donation $10 per person at the door. Fully handicapped accessible. Info: SKY or John Yates, 437-0325.

Preservation Hall Jazz Band

Feb. 15: (Ruidoso) The Ruidoso Concert Association presents the best of New Orleans music. 7:30 p.m. Ruidoso Schools Performing Arts Center on the High School campus. Info: 257-9508 or 258-5702.

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Little Joe y La Familia

Feb. 16: (Alamogordo) With one of the most popular Tex-Mex bands in the music industry, Little Joe has been entertaining for more than 40 years and has been described as the "King of the Brown Sound." 7:30 p.m. Flickinger Center for the Performing Arts, 1110 New York Ave. $18 for reserved seating. Info: 437-2202.

Chorus Fest

Feb. 17: (Alamogordo) Hosted by NMSU-A Music Dept. Choirs from area schools and NMSU-A present individual performances, followed by the combined voices in a finale with an instrumental ensemble. $5/family, $3/ adults, $2/students and seniors. Proceeds to benefit the Lewis Jordan Scholarship Fund. 7 p.m. NMSU-A Tays Special Events Center. Info: Don Thorp, 437-3726.

Wonderful Town

Feb. 27: (Alto) A glorious musical, winner of the 2004 Tony Award for Best Choreography, *Wonderful Town* features 30 singers, dancers and musicians, period-rich costuming and wonderful sets. $46/$49. Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts. 8 p.m. Info: 336-4800 or go on line to www.spencertheater.com.

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March 15-16: (Alto) *Urban Cowboy* hits the Spencer stage in the form of a Broadway musical, much like a revue of popular country and Broadway tunes with a boy-meets-girl story. Nominated for a Tony Award for Best Original Score. $36/$39, Thursday, March 15; $43/$46, Friday, March 16. Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts. 8 p.m. Info: 336-4800 or go on line to www.spencertheater.com.

Special Events

Cowboy Cabaret and Chocolate Buffet

Feb. 14: (Alamogordo) A delicious Valentine's Day tradition, featuring the music of "Junior" Daugherty with Thelma Pearl and Daybreak Express. 7:30 p.m. Flickinger Center for the Performing Arts, 1110 New York Ave. $14/person or $25/couple. Info: 437-2202.

Mountaintop Mardi Gras Cajun Heaven

Feb. 16-18, 20: (Cloudcroft) Large variety of activities each day for both children and adults. Parade, costume contest, food, story times and much, much more. Info: 682-2733 or visit www.cloudcroft.net.

mARTi-Gras

Feb. 17: (Ruidoso) Don't miss the great gumbo, live music and silent auction with mask-making, gumbo and costume contests. Sponsored by the Ruidoso Regional Council for the Arts at the Ruidoso Convention Center. 6-11 p.m. Admission: $10 adults, $5 children age 12 and under. Info: 257-7272 or rrcarts@valornet.com.

White Sands Film Festival

Feb. 20-24: (Alamogordo) An international film festival screening the top competitive films in five categories: documentary/educational, drama, comedy, animation and children's films. World premieres of a film by Nat Christian, *Channels*, and IMAX feature *Ride Around the World*. Additional events include seminars by film professionals, the "Taste of Otero County," an awards breakfast and a special film screening at the Family Recreation Center pool. Visit www.whitesandsfilmfestival.com for schedule and updates, event tickets and all other information.

Workshops

Advanced Drawing

Jan. 30: (Carrizozo) Advanced drawing techniques using a variety of materials and mediums. Joan Malkerson, instructor. 1-4 p.m. at The Studios on Twelfth Street. $25. Info: 648-2598 or email: gallery408@tularosa.net.

Painting on rocks, sandstone and river rock

Feb. 15: (Carrizozo) The necessary materials will be available. You are welcome to bring your own brushes, acrylic paints, and special flagstone or smooth river rock. Jeannie Adams, instructor. 1-4 p.m. at The Studios on Twelfth Street. $30. Info: 648-2598 or email: gallery408@tularosa.net.

Jewelry making

Feb. 22: (Carrizozo) Four-week class includes March 1, 8 and 15. Learn jewelry-making techniques with a variety of metals and stones. Instructor: Zoe de Negri. 1-4 p.m at The Studios on Twelfth Street. $35 each session. Info: 648-2598 or email: gallery408@tularosa.net.

"Drawing on the Creative Side"

Feb. 26-March 2: (Ruidoso) Weekly classes with Ardis Hood, held in the artist's studio and suitable for every skill level. To reserve a place, or for more information, call Hood at 257-8864.

Portrait Drawing

March 21: (Ruidoso) Weekly classes with Ardis Hood, held in the artist's studio and suitable for every skill level. To reserve a place, or for more information, call Hood at 257-8864.

Figure Drawing

March 22: (Ruidoso) Weekly classes with Ardis Hood, held in the artist's studio and suitable for every skill level. To reserve a place, or for more information, call Hood at 257-8864.

Watercolor workshop

June 2-9: (Umbria, Italy) Retreat to a beautiful 12th Century Italian villa with Sketchbook Tours, www.sketchbooktours.com. All levels of experience welcome. Info: 442-9594.

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April 14 - April 29
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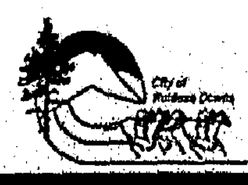
June 8 - August 14, 2007
"Frederic Remington Makes Tracks: Adventures & Artistic Impressions"



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'I'm fine...'

Polly's Potpourri

by Polly E. Chavez

"How are you?" This is a question often asked by patients to fellow patients as they wait to be seen at Carrizozo Health Center. Even the staff asks the question. No matter what ails us, we politely respond, "Fine." I was there last week for a blood test not because I had the flu.

There was a pile of papers free for the taking, titled 'Cold and Flu Season is Coming.' It was a list of things to have on hand to make you feel better. The list included specific or store brand cough syrups, vitamins tablets, pain reducers. The list ended with: "Chicken soup...tortilla soup is even better!"

This Hispanic cook has never eaten or made tortilla soup. I will have to do some research on this "tortilla soup" to find out what the ingredients are. When I come down with a cold I eat a bowl of New Mexican style red or green chile. Of course if you are not used to eating hot chile this "treatment" will actually give you the sniffles. Cooking the chile batch with some chicken parts will go along with the fact or fable that chicken soup is good for colds.

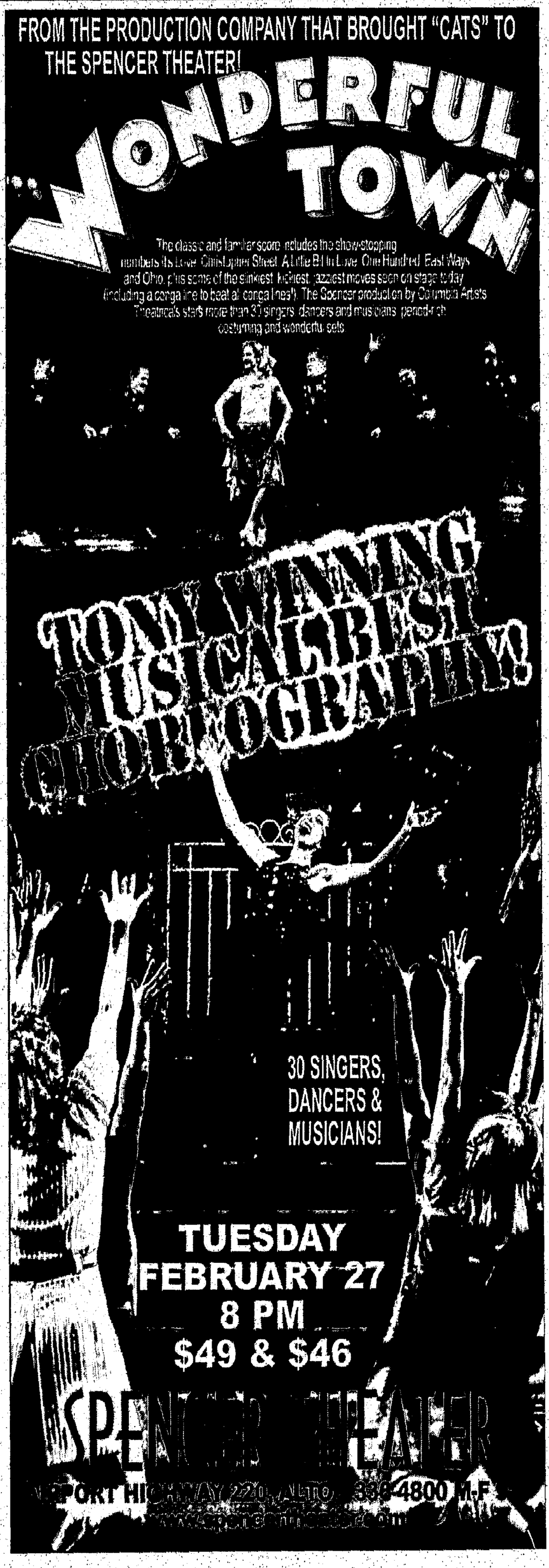
My daughter who knows I consider myself a know-it-all tipster sent me the following health suggestions, source unknown. Keep in mind that the following is only in jest:

* If you are choking on an ice cube, don't panic. Simply pour a cup of boiling water down your throat and presto, the blockage will be almost instantly removed.

* Clumsy? Avoid cutting yourself while slicing vegetables by getting someone else to hold them while you chop away.

* Have a bad toothache? Smash your thumb with a hammer and you will forget all about the toothache.

* If you have a bad cough, take a large dose of laxatives. Then you will be afraid to cough.



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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

Feb. 9-15 • *Taafé Fanga (Skirt Power)* (Director: Adama Drabo • France/Germany/Mali • 1997 • 1 hour, 42 minutes). This is a rare chance to see this west African classic set among the 18th-century Dogon people in Mali. Adama Drabo's beautifully shot film is a gender-bending farce in which the local women turn the tables on their men folk. After a spat with her husband about gathering firewood, the exasperated Yayémé heads off into the brush, despite legends about spirits that lurk around after dark. There, she encounters and overwhelms what she takes to be a bush spirit, making off with its imposing mask. This leads to an inspired prank. Yayémé dons the powerful mask and proclaims a new social order: From now on, men and women will trade places. What follows is hilarious, as the terrorized men haul water, tend to children, cook, clean and exhaustedly feign sleep at day's end to stave off their wives' sexual advances. Drabo's achievement is remarkable – both brilliant comedy and astute social satire.

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

Feb. 10 • *15 Amore* (1998, 92 minutes). Based on director Maurice Murphy's experiences on a farm in rural Australia during World War II, *15 Amore* is a passionate, wonderful tale of when the world was in chaos – an acutely moving observation from the point of view of a young boy. During the war, Italian prisoners of war in Australia were routinely assigned to farm and cattle station families in need of help. This film, mostly a series of vignettes, involves two Italian soldiers, who, for over three years, played father to three children whose real father had left them to fight in the Australian army – and what happens when two mother-and-daughter German Jewish war refugees also find refuge at the same property. It is a gentle and interesting mixture of Australian, Italian, German and Jewish culture in a land, which, for all intents and purposes, recognizes no cultural barriers, with a gentle love story rolled in for good measure. Beautifully shot, and with a gentle mix of adventure, tragedy, and love, *15 Amore* is a small gem of a movie.

Now Showing in Ruidoso & Alamogordo

Showtimes • Ruidoso : Sierra Cinema, 257-9444 Alamogordo : Cinema 5, 437-9301
Or log on to www.allentheatresinc.com.

In "The Messengers," Dylan McDermott plays a drifter who arrives at a remote farm and . . . waaadit a minute. Haven't we seen this movie somewhere before?

The Messengers

Critic's Quip: "The plethora of horror movie cliches – even those still residually effective – weigh so heavily in The Messengers that whatever moments of terror that might have been had are left positively weightless."

– Tim Cogshell
BOXOFFICE MAGAZINE

This dark supernatural thriller from brothers Oxide Pang Chun and Danny Pang stars Dylan McDermott, Penelope Ann Miller and Kristin Stewart as a family trying to take over and run a remote sunflower farm. But the ominous signs that something is very, very wrong with their new home increase and crystallize following the arrival of a drifter.

Now showing in Alamogordo, starring Dylan McDermott, Penelope Ann Miller, John Corbett, Kristen Stewart, Dustin Milligan. Directed by Oxide Pang. Rated PG-13.

Because I Said So

Critic's Quip: "Everything about *Because I Said So* screams out generic chick flick – and we do mean scream, literally – from the forgettable title to the excruciatingly corny ending."

– Christy Lemire
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Filmmaker Michael Lehmann makes a return to the director's chair with the genial comedy *Because I Said So*. Diane Keaton and Mandy Moore star as a mother and daughter, with the former desperate to find the right man for the latter to ensure she doesn't make the same mistakes her mother did.

Now showing in Alamogordo and Ruidoso, starring Diane Keaton, Mandy Moore, Piper Perabo, Tom Everett Scott, Neil Hopkins, Lauren Graham, Stephen Collins, Tony Hale. Directed by Michael Lehmann. Rated PG-13.

Dreamgirls

Critic's Quip: "Who knew Diana Ross was a saint forced by a pupper master to be a star? For the first time in his career, Eddie Murphy acts! and Jennifer Hudson steals the movie."

– Victoria Alexander
FILMSINREVIEW.COM

In 1960s Detroit, a good night onstage can get you noticed but it won't get your song played on the radio. Here, a new kind of music is on the cusp of being born – a sound with roots buried deep in the soul of Detroit itself, where songs are about more than what's on the surface,

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and everyone is bound together by a shared dream.

Now showing in Alamogordo and Ruidoso, starring Jamie Foxx, Beyonce Knowles, Jennifer Hudson, Danny Glover, Keith Robinson, Eddie Murphy, Hinton Battle, Anika Noni Rose, John Lithgow. Directed by Bill Condon. Rated PG-13.

Smokin' Aces

Critic's Quip: "Director Joe Carnahan sets himself up as the ringmaster of a circus filled with violent freaks. His enthusiasm is impressive, it's just a shame it's not in service of a better film."

– Ethan Alter
PREMIERE MAGAZINE

An incendiary array of stars – including Ben Affleck, Andy Garcia, Ray Liotta, Jeremy Piven, Ryan Reynolds, Peter Berg, Martin Henderson, Taraji Henson and, in their motion-picture debuts, Alicia Keys and Common – star in *Smokin' Aces*, the new dark action comedy from Joe Carnahan, the acclaimed director of *Narc*.

In these interlocking tales of high stakes and low lifes, Mob boss Primo Sparazza has taken out a hefty contract on Buddy "Aces" Israel – a sleazy magician who has agreed to turn state's evidence against the Vegas mob. The FBI, sensing a chance to use this small-time con to bring down big-target Sparazza, places Aces into protective custody – under the supervision of two agents dispatched to Aces' Lake Tahoe hideout.

Now showing in Alamogordo, starring Ben Affleck, Jeremy Piven, Andy Garcia, Ray Liotta, Alicia Keys, Common, Peter Berg, Brian Bloom, Nestor Carbonell, Ryan Reynolds, Taraji P. Henson, Christopher Pine, Zach Gumer, Kevin Durand, Joel Edgerton, Mike Falkow, Martin Henderson, David Proval, Joseph Ruskin, Maury Sterling, Patrick St. Esprit, Sharon Bruneau. Directed by Joe Carnahan. Rated R.

***Which Eddie Murphy** performance would you rather see this weekend? In the critically-acclaimed "Showgirls," left, or "Norbit?" The choice is yours.*

Norbit

Opens Feb. 9

Norbit has never had it easy. As a baby, he was abandoned on the steps of a Chinese restaurant/orphanage and raised by Mr. Wong. Things get worse when he's forced into marriage by the mean, junk food-chugging queen, Rasputia. Just when Norbit's hanging by his last thread, his childhood sweetheart, Kate, moves back to town.

Now showing in Alamogordo and Ruidoso, starring Eddie Murphy, Thandie Newton, Cuba Gooding, Charles Murphy, Eddie Griffin, Terry Crews, Clifton Powell. Directed by Brian Robbins. Rated PG-13.

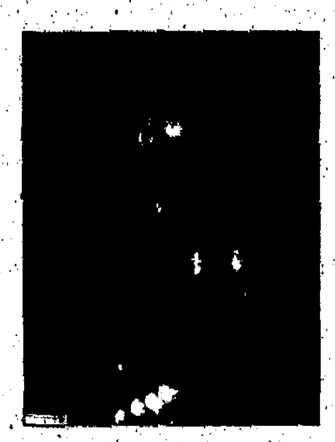
***Diane Keaton,** center plays an overbearing mom to her daughter, who apparently has hideous taste in wedding cakes.*

Prepare your senses!

Your eyes, your ears and even your taste buds will get a workout at the third annual White Sands Film Festival in February.

Make plans to catch any or all of the exciting films from all over the world. There will be seminars, events, and, yes, great food, too.

There are multiple ticket packages available. Call today and make your plans for February, 505-437-2202.



Poncho Sanchez!
The Grammy winner and Latin jazz legend will kick off the Film Festival with a concert Wed., Feb. 21, in Alamogordo.

For Tickets Call (505) 437-2202

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BLACK HISTORY

The African-American experience from Jamestown to Harlem

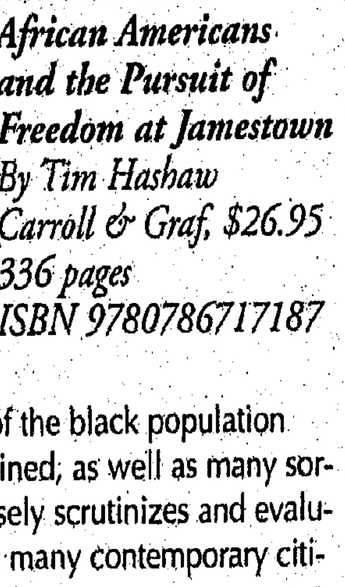
Reviews by Ron Wynn
Bookpage.com

The subject of black history is so vast and varied that some areas will inevitably be overlooked while others are saturated, depending on contemporary tastes, changes in societal attitudes and shifts in focus and interest among audiences toward particular periods or topics (the Black Arts Movement of the '60s, Pan-Africanism and Black Power vs. Civil Rights, etc.). Two subjects that haven't attracted much attention are the earliest black settlers in America and the lesser-known figures who escaped the clutches of slavery. That oversight is remedied in two of the African-American history titles considered here.

Pre-dating the Pilgrims

Tim Hashaw's *The Birth of Black America: The First African Americans and the Pursuit of Freedom at Jamestown* follows the inaugural voyage of almost 30 African men, women and children to these shores (specifically Jamestown, Virginia) in 1619. Very little has been written about the trip until now, and Hashaw's credentials and expertise as an award-winning reporter are particularly useful as he examines two distinct, related elements in this story. One involves the business/commerce angle, as he shows how England's attack on a Spanish slave ship and the pirating of its cargo of Africans violated a treaty, causing King James to dissolve the Virginia Company of London and end that firm's North American monopoly.

But the second, more compelling story of *The Birth of Black America* traces the journey of Africans, showing how they established communities and the foundation for black culture and society that followed. The book also documents how the nation eventually wrestled with the issue of slavery, and looks at some of the ugly racist practices and legislation aimed at these African Americans. Everything from questions of lexicon to determining the exact size of the black population (through the clumsy census practices of the day) is examined; as well as many sordid events that followed. *The Birth of Black America* closely scrutinizes and evaluates a time and series of happenings about which far too many contemporary citizens know absolutely nothing.



The Birth of Black America: The First African Americans and the Pursuit of Freedom at Jamestown
By Tim Hashaw
Carroll & Graf, $26.95
336 pages
ISBN 9780786717187

North to freedom

While the record is spotty regarding the arrival of the first African Americans, there's even less in print about the remarkable exploits of Thornton Blackburn and his wife, Lucie. Canadian author, historian and archaeologist Karolyn Smardz Frost's *I've Got a Home in Glory Road* is equal parts scientific study, cultural account and personal odyssey.

I've Got a Home in Glory Road
By Karolyn Smardz Frost
Farrar, Straus, $30
576 pages
ISBN 9780374164812

The Blackburns escaped from Kentucky to Michigan, then were recaptured and sentenced to be returned to slavery. But the bloody 1833 Blackburn Riots saw Detroit's black community spring into action, rescuing the couple and ushering them safely to Canada, an action that forever altered the political climate between America and Canada, turning the latter nation into a safe harbor for fugitive slaves. Frost's book not only details these events, but follows the Blackburns as they settle in Toronto and eventually create that city's first taxi service. They also become important figures in the abolitionist movement and participants in the Underground Railroad.

Frost credits the work of other archaeologists who uncovered many of the details contained in this amazing story, finally brought to light in her outstanding book.

In their own voices

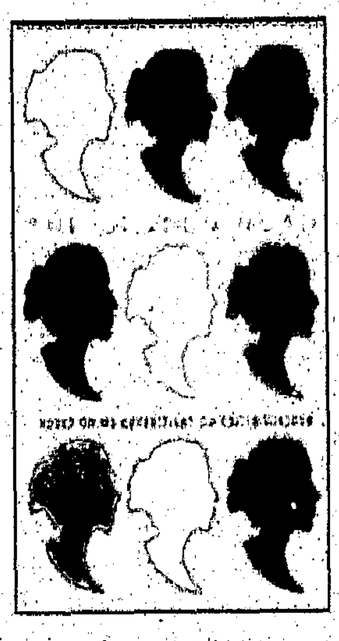
Harlem Speaks: A Living History of the Harlem Renaissance, a collection edited by Texas Southern University history professor Dr. Gary D. Wintz, demystifies several heralded individuals through precise, detailed essays from 21 experts on the era's finest writers, artists, poets, intellectuals and performers. The list of contributors includes literary biographers Arnold Rampersad, Tyrone Tillery and M. Genevieve West; jazz experts Dan Morgenstern and Chip Deffaa; and political analysts and historians like Williams H. Harris and Martha Jane Nadell.

Harlem Speaks: A Living History of the Harlem Renaissance
By Dr. Gary D. Wintz
Sourcebooks, $29.95
272 pages
ISBN 9781402204364

An accompanying CD augments the written material, presenting more than 60 minutes of music, poetry, interviews and speeches. Whether it's the sparkling piano work of Eubie Blake featured in a previously unpublished performance, or extensive interviews by David Levering Lewis, the two-time Pulitzer Prize-winning author of acclaimed biographies on Dr. W.E.B. Du Bois, Harlem Speaks combines fresh insights with informed analysis and vivid, striking performances to broaden readers' awareness and knowledge of the Harlem Renaissance.

Young, gifted and black

Author and journalist Caille Millner has been dealing with unique situations most of her life, from being a black woman growing up in a mostly Latino neighborhood to moving into and through the worlds of Silicon Valley and the Ivy League. *The Golden Road: Notes on My Gentrification* takes readers inside these diverse universes, spotlighting Millner's ongoing personal and political evolution as she encounters white supremacists, techno geeks and embittered post-apartheid South Africans. Along the way, she discovers the difference between being truly educated and simply possessing knowledge, comes to grips with rifts and conflicts within the black community, and concludes that the sum of her unique parts really make a most attractive, if complicated, whole. Written in a witty, alternately self-deprecating, satirical and revealing manner, Millner's memoir offers a fascinating portrait of a gifted and articulate writer.



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Y	Alcoholic beverages served
☎	Reservations required or suggested
V	Vegetarian friendly
NS	Non-smoking restaurant
DS	Has a designated smoking section

Ruidoso / Lincoln County

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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

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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

Western Grill • 157 W. Hwy. 70 • 378-4747. **$$ DS V** Y

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Burger Trolley • 647 Sudderth • 257-3868 • 11-7 daily • Voted best green chile cheeseburger in Lincoln County. Take-out only. **$** ☎

Hall of Flame Burgers • 2500 Sudderth, in Four Seasons Mall • 257-9987 • 10-5 M-F, 10-8 Sat-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 • 8a.m.-10p.m. 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, 5-9p.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 • 8-8 daily. • A "disco" is a steel disco used for Mexican "barbecue." Authentic Mexican food. **$ V NS**

El Camino Nuevo • 1025 Mechem • 258-4312 • 11-9 daily. **$** Y

El Localito • 2415 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso • 257-8448.

El Paisano • 442 Smokey Bear Blvd., Capitan • 354-2206. **$$ V NS**

El Paraiso Mexican Restaurant • 721 Mechem • 257-0279 • Open 7 Days, 11 a.m.-9p.m. **$$**

El Rincon De Las Salsas • 2117 Sudderth Dr., Gazebo Center, Ruidoso • 630-8050 • Mexican and seafood specialties • Open 7 days, 8 a.m.-8:30 p.m. **$ NS V**

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 & Entertainment Club • 2931 Sudderth Dr. • 257-8754 • Karaoke Wed., Tejano Thurs., Norteño Sat. • 11a.m.-9:30p.m. Mon-Sat, 11a.m.-4p.m. Sun. **$$** Y **DS**

Paradise Café • 310 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso • 257-0280.

Peña'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.-midnight Sun11a.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-Thur 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

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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. 9a.m.-9p.m, Sun 10a.m.-9p.m • Deli, daily special. **$ V NS**

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Alamogordo / Otero County

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Cafés

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**

Java The Hut • 506 St. Francis • Tularosa • 585-2003.

Josey's Sweets • 603 St Francis Dr • Tularosa • 585-3120 • Open Mon-Sat, 12:30-9p.m; Sun, 2-8p.m. **NS**

Mayhill Café • Mayhill • 687-3066

Mayhill Mercantile • Mayhill • 687-3425

Mountain Top Mercantile Deli • 105 James Canyon • Cloudcroft • 682-2777 Open 7 days 7a.m.-8p.m. Soups, deli, BBQ pasta & pies. Carry-out only. **NS**

Nature's Pantry • 915 New York • Alamogordo • 434-1670 • Open Mon-Thur 9a.m.-5:30p.m, Fri-Sat 9a.m.-5p.m • Organic foods. **$ V NS**

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**

Tularosa Dry Goods Coffee & More • 308 Granado • Tularosa • 585-4575. **NS**

Weed Café • Weed • 687-3611.

Western Bar & Café • 304 Burro Street • 682-2445 • Cloudcroft • Open 7days 6a.m.-9p.m (café), 7 days 9a.m.-12a.m. (Bar). Smoking in bar only.

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 James Canyon • Cloudcroft • 682-1031 • Open Mon-Sat, 6a.m.-9p.m; Sun 7a.m.-8p.m. **NS**

Big Daddy's Diner • 1705 James 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 • Alamorosa • 585-9638.

Chili's Grill & Bar • 202 Panorama • 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.

Mom's Home Cooking • 604 1st St. • Alamogordo • 439-0288.

Mustard's Last Stand • 1920 James Canyon • Cloudcroft • 682-2333 • Open Fri –Sat, 5p.m-9p.m. Dining and dancing.

Old Montreal Café • 750 E. 1st St. • Alamogordo • 437-3123.

Palm Side • 905 S. White Sands • Alamogordo • 437-8644.

Fast Food

Arby's Restaurant • 421 S White Sands • Alamogordo • 437-3534.

Blake's Lota Burger • 1320 N. White Sands • Alamogordo • 434-0466.

Burger King • 117 S. White Sands • Alamogordo • 437-9297.

Hi-D-Ho Drive In • 414 S. White Sands • Alamogordo • 437-6400.

Long John Silver's • 19 S. White Sands • Alamogordo • 434-0330.

McDonald's • 222 S. White Sands, Alamogordo, 437-2414 • Wal-Mart, 437-4339.

Sonic Drive In • Alamogordo • 504 S. White Sands, 437-6505 • 101 Glacier Dr, 434-5263.

Subway Sandwiches & Salads • 100 Central, Tularosa • 585-8410.

Subway Sandwiches & Salads • Alamogordo • 630 S. White Sands, 437-7461 • 1101 E Tenth St, 437-0200.

Taco Bell • 201 Panorama • Alamogordo • 437-3873.

Tulie Freez • 419 St Francis • Tularosa • 585-4409.

Waffle & Pancake Shoppe • 950 S White Sands • Alamogordo • 437-0433.

Wendy's Old Fashioned Hamburgers • 301 S White Sands • Alamogordo • 437-0865.

Fine Dining

Memories Restaurant • 1223 N. New York • Alamogordo • 437-0077.

Pepper's Grill • 3200 N. White Sands • Alamogordo • 437-9717.

Rebecca's at The Lodge • 1 Corona Place • Cloudcroft • 682-3131 • Smoking in Bar Area. **DS**

Mexican

Alfredo's • 801 Delaware • Alamogordo • 437-1745.

Casa de Suenos New Mexican Restaurant • 35 St. Francis Dr. • Tularosa • 585-3494 • Fax 585-3496. **$$ I V NS**

El Camino Restaurant • 1022 N. White Sands • Alamogordo • 437-8809.

Juan's Cactus Café • 3199 N. White Sands • Alamogordo • 434-2368.

La Hacienda • 800 S White Sands • Alamogordo.

Margo's Mexican Food • 504 E 1st • Alamogordo • 434-0689.

Maria's Mexican Food • 604 E 10th • Alamogordo • 434-4549.

Maximino's • 2300 N. White Sands • Alamogordo • 443-6102.

Ramona's • 2913 N. White Sands • Alamogordo • 437-7616.

Si Señor Restaurant • 1480 N. White Sands • Alamogordo • 437-7879.

Pizza/Italian

Gigi's Pizza • 600 S. White Sands • Alamogordo • 434-5811.

Pizza Hut • 120 S. White Sands • Alamogordo • 437-9785.

Pizza Mill & Sub Factory • 1315 E. 10th St. • Alamogordo • 434-1313.

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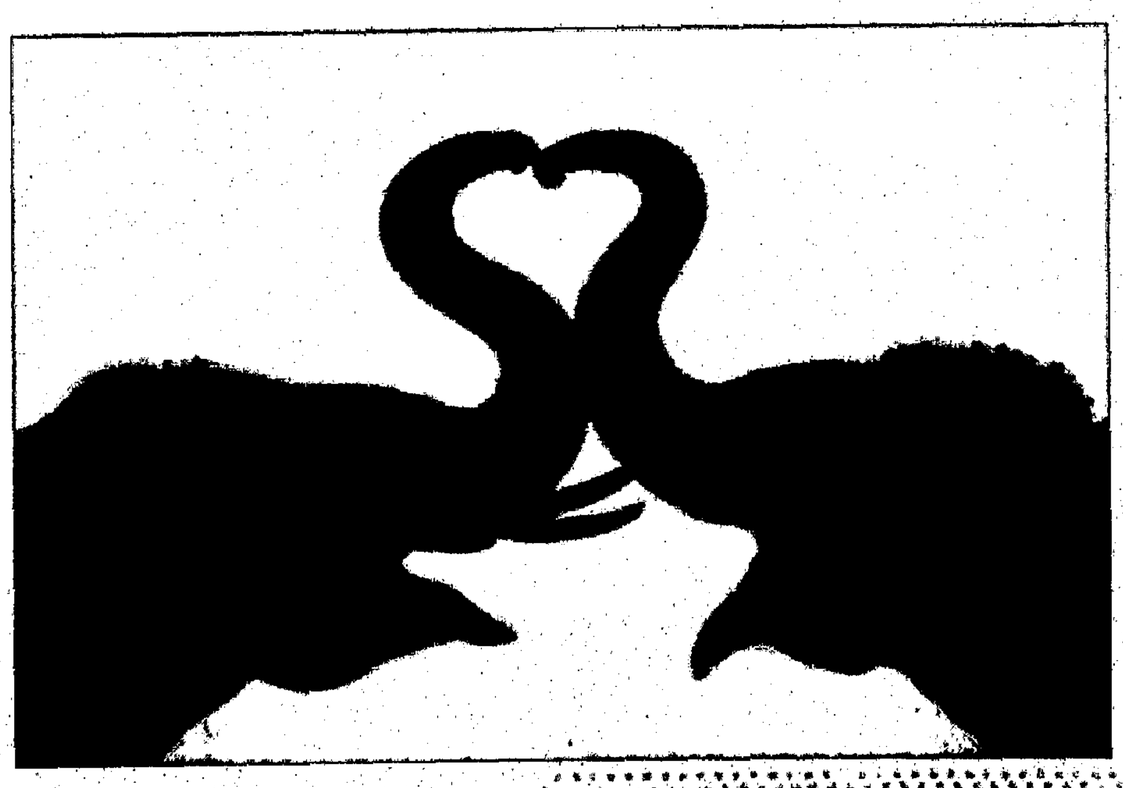

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CUISINE

'Month of Love' at Ojo Caliente

Dining out

with Ivana B. Diningwell

Gentlemen (and ladies, too, let's be fair about this) – still no Valentine's Day plans? The clock is ticking. Just in case you've forgotten.

Here's an idea, and it's good all through February so that gives you a little time plus you can pretend that you've been planning it all along.

Ojo Caliente Mineral Springs Resort and Spa is offering a "Month of Love" special on weekdays all through February. Listen to this – a night's lodging, two custom massages, a soak in a private pool, plus champagne and strawberries – all for $269. Check their excellent Web site, www.ojocalientespa.com, for details.

Ojo Caliente Mineral Springs Resort and Spa is out in the wilds about an hour from Santa Fe. (Ivana warned you that she'd be wandering farther afield this year, and there's nothing like the thrill of discovery to spark a little romance.) The low-key resort is peaceful and welcoming.

You can soak in hot mineral pools of varying sizes and temperatures, and overnight guests are treated to a wrap – a spa treatment in which your steamed body is wrapped in a cotton sheet and a wool blanket. Believe Ivana when she says that you'll be so relaxed, you'll sleep like a catatonic cat.

But Ivana is getting ahead of herself. Before you get wrapped, you must be fed, and you can count on the Artesian Restaurant, in the 1916 hotel, for breakfast, lunch and dinner.

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For breakfast, Ivana recommends the decadent French toast, made with pecan raisin bread, mascarpone, fresh strawberries, dried figs and maple syrup. The dinner menu features seafood, local beef and lamb, plus vegetarian options. There are lots of healthy options, if you're so inclined.

Chef Fabian Valdez is proud of the tenderloin wrapped in apple-smoked bacon, topped with black truffles. The halibut, a fish not often seen on New Mexico menus, is bathed in a lemony beurre blanc. And the vegetarian Portobello mushroom is stuffed with a blend of chevre cheese and vegetables and served on wild rice.

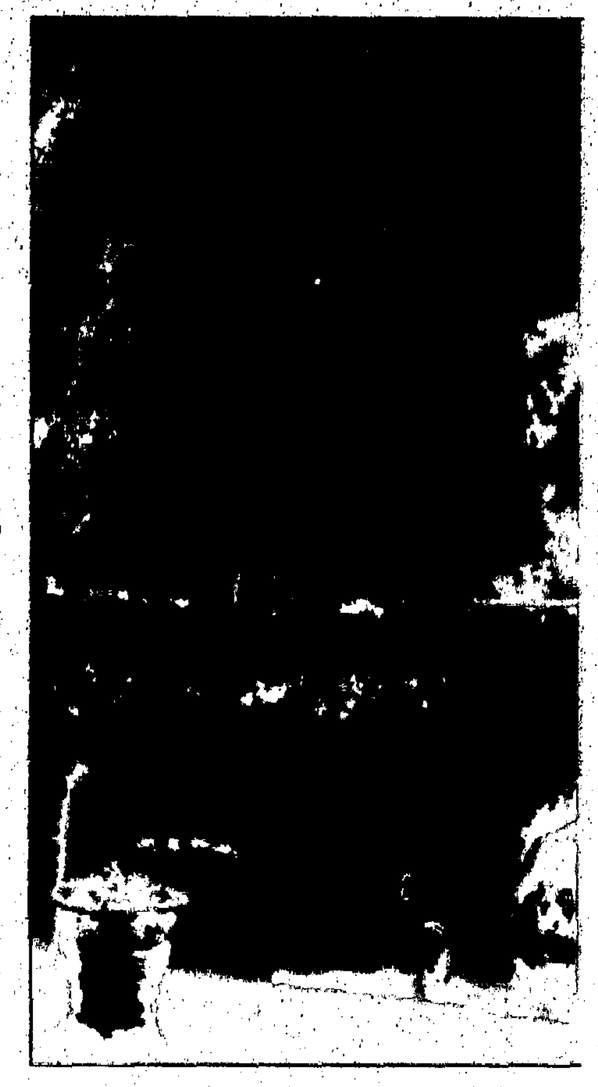
While not soaking, eating or staring into space, you might take a walk up on the mesa, where there are pueblo ruins and petroglyphs. Yoga classes are given in a large yurt. Guests often gather around a fire lit every evening in the central courtyard.

There isn't much in the way of television or computer access, so bring your diversions with you, although Ivana is certain that you'll find some way to occupy yourselves.

In addition to the historic hotel, lodging is available in the newly-renovated 1930s cottages, or in the newly-constructed Pueblo and Cliffside Suites, luxurious digs with their own kiva fireplaces and private soaking pools – and isn't your loved one worth it?

Even if you opt for the less expensive hotel, private pools with fireplaces can be rented by the hour.

And in closing, Ivana leaves you with the words of that clever curmudgeon H.L. Mencken: **"Love is the triumph of imagination over intelligence."**



The Artesian Restaurant
Ojo Caliente Mineral Springs
Resort & Spa
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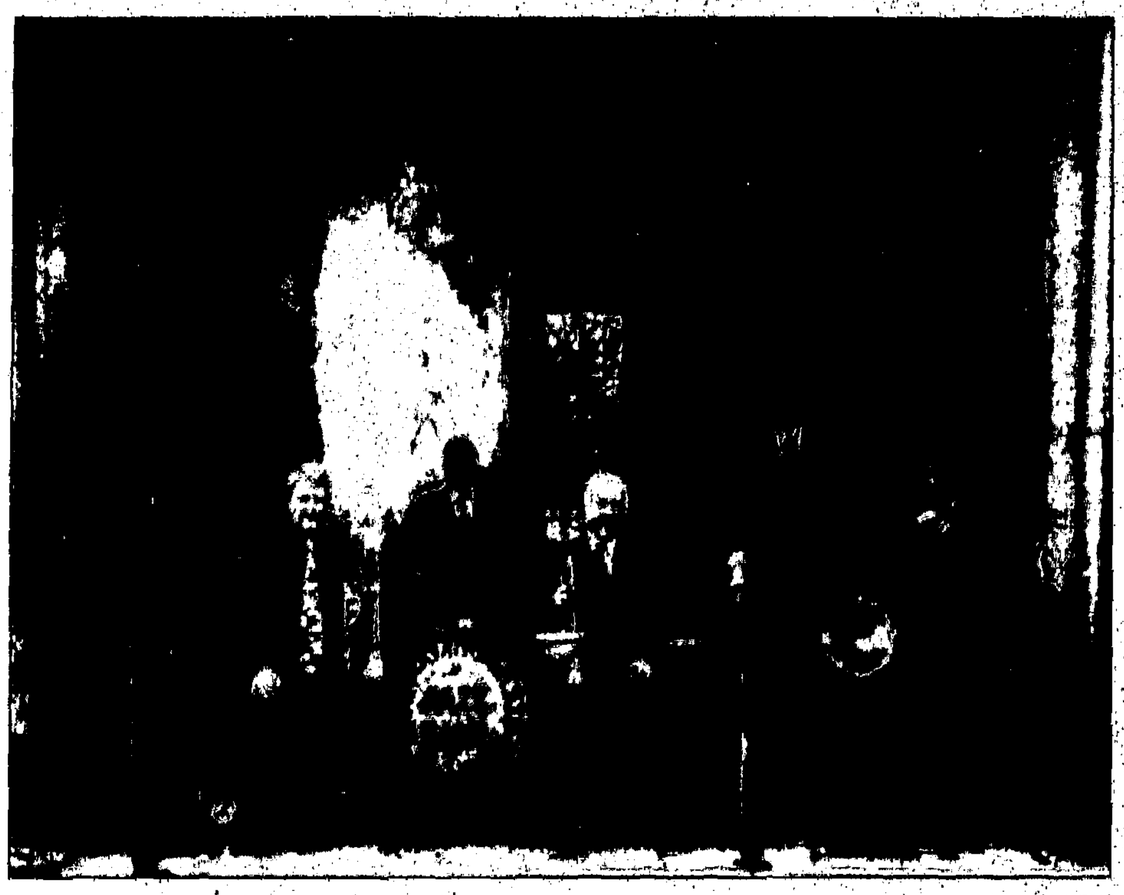
LET'S GO!

Timeless jazz masters



COURTESY

New Orleans' legendary Preservation Hall Jazz Band performs Thursday at the Ruidoso Schools Performing Arts Center. A presentation of the Ruidoso Concert Association, the 7:30 p.m. performance promises a memorable evening of great jazz music played by these world-renowned jazz masters.

An exciting performance by the legendary Preservation Hall Jazz Band will begin at 7:30 p.m. next Thursday, Feb. 15, at the Ruidoso Schools Performing Arts Center.

The PHJB derives its name from Preservation Hall, the venerable music venue located in the heart of New Orleans' French Quarter.

Historic Preservation Hall is an idea more than a structure, though the structure is imposing. Built as a residence in the heart of New Orleans' French Quarter around 1750, it later served as a tavern during the War of 1812. It later became a home for creative artists and writers and eventually an art gallery.

In 1952, when the Hall was still an art gallery, the owner, Larry Bornstein, a New Orleans Jazz buff, invited the musicians, who helped create this sound early in the century, to "rehearse" for his friends. The friends heeded the call of the basket to pay the musicians. Soon the music took over and the art gallery moved next door.

Out of these sessions grew the concept of Preservation Hall. The intimate venue, whose weathered exterior has been untouched over its history, is a living embodiment of its original vision.

In 1961, Sandra and Allan Jaffe, a Pennsylvania couple with affection for jazz, took over the building and founded the band, which has travelled worldwide with the mission of nurturing and perpetuating the art form that is New Orleans Jazz.

The PHJB began touring in 1963 and for many years there were several bands successfully touring under the name Preservation Hall. Many of the band's charter members performed with the pioneers who invented jazz in the early 20th century including Buddy Bolden, Jelly Roll Morton, Louis Armstrong and Bunk Johnson.

Band leaders over the band's history include the brothers Willie and Percy Humphrey, husband and wife Billie and De De Pierce and famed pianist Sweet Emma Barrett. These founding artists and dozens of others passed on the lessons of their music to a younger generation who now follow in their footsteps, like current band leader and trumpeter John Brunious.

Today, Preservation Hall is a "must-see" for any visitor to New Orleans.

Among the jazz lovers who flock to the place are young musicians from all over the world who come to learn how to play New Orleans Jazz – music that will live through these disciples when the great originators now playing are gone.

Today, you don't need to travel to New Orleans to hear this unforgettable music. The Preservation Hall Jazz Band spends about four months each year on tour. Whether performing at Carnegie Hall or Lincoln Center, for British Royalty or the King of Thailand, this music embodies a joyful, timeless spirit. Under the auspices of current director, Ben Jaffe, the son of founders Allan and Sandra, PHJB continues with a deep reverence and consciousness of its greatest attributes in the modern day.

The Ruidoso Concert Association, now in its 18th season, is proud to present this Thursday's performance at the Ruidoso Schools Performing Arts Center. The concert represents the PHJB's only appearance in the area for the season, and eager audience members have been purchasing tickets to the concert, coming from neighboring states as well as from all over New Mexico.

The ticket price for the show is $30, and tickets may be purchased by calling Clinton Smith, 258-5702, Betsy Burnett, 336-1952 or Charlotte or Bob Rowe, 336-4015.

Tickets are also available at Candle Power. Don't miss this rare opportunity!

LET'S GO!

Getting competitive

The White Sands Film Festival is a project of the Otero County Film Office, a non-profit organization, which has been developed to represent the wide-ranging talents of filmmakers. The festival intends to develop an audience through which filmmakers, distributors and affiliated organizations can promote their creative and commercial skills. The organizers believe that the locations in Otero County, teamed with a significant pool of talent, can make a difference to both visitors and film professional participants.

The organizers also work toward making a significant difference to local and state economies by promoting the film industry to people wishing to base their production in beautiful New Mexico.

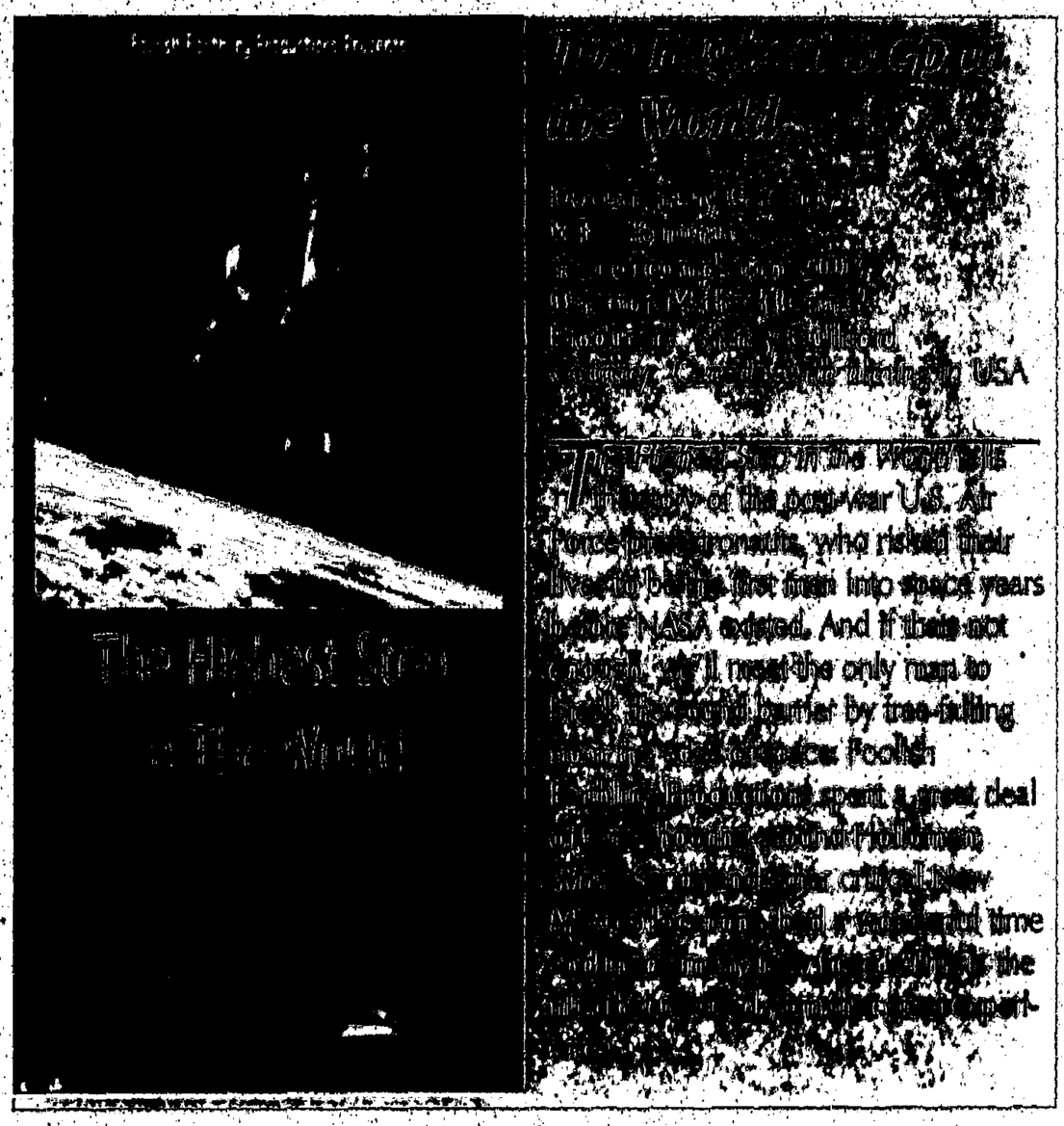
Now in its third year, the White Sands Film Festival presents films with a positive message, honoring filmmakers that encourage and entertain. The festival screens and premieres works by filmmakers from around the world, as well as works from experienced and well- known artists.

The focus is on original and personal films with the idea of capturing a diverse audience, complemented by a full program of discussions and seminars and involving visiting filmmakers, critics and academics.

Fifteen films have been selected for this year's competition, and will be presented Feb. 22-24: 2:30-6 p.m. on Thursday, 3:30-6 p.m. on Friday and 3:30-5:30 p.m. on Saturday.

Friday and Saturday's films will be shown concurrently at the NMSU-A Rohovec Theater on Scenic Drive and at the Flickinger Center for the Performing Arts at 1110 New York Ave. in Alamogordo. Thursday's films will be screened exclusively at the Flickinger, featuring refreshments with the filmmakers.

¡Vámonos! will continue to provide brief profiles of these fine films in upcoming issues.



Paperboat

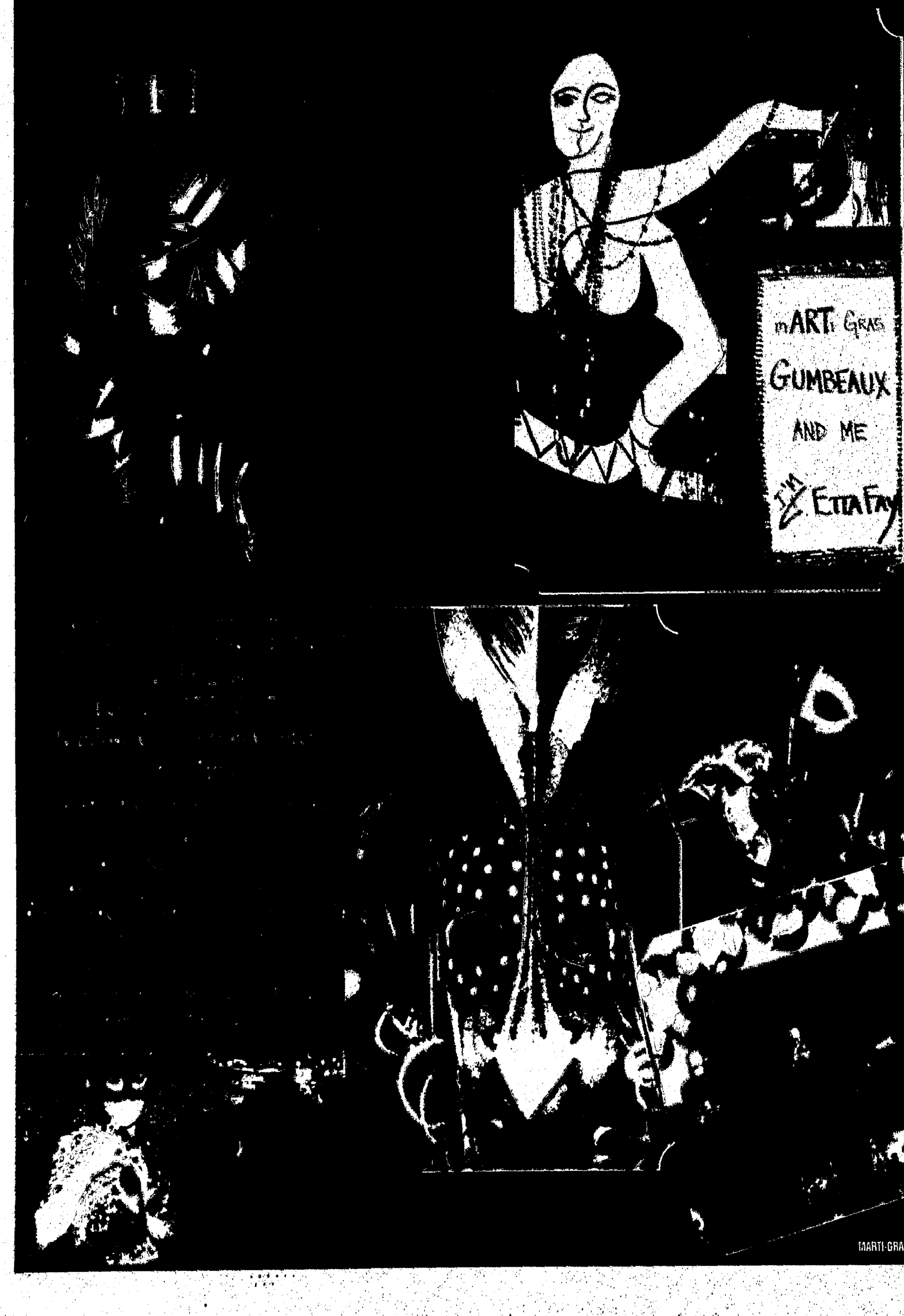
Drama/Comedy Category

R.T. 18 minutes
Year of completion: 2006
Director: Daphne Lambrinou
Producer: Erica Callas
Country: USA (filming Greece)

Melanie, a Greek journalist living in New York, returns to her home village to attend her grandmother's funeral. After years, she meets her childhood friend, Jason. The two of them have kept their childhood alive by sending each other "paperboat letters." The smells, the sounds, the "taste" of the past, overtake Melanie's heart and mind. Every corner of her family house, every face in the streets of the village, every pebble on her favorite beach bring back a storm of memories.

Melanie faces the dilemma of staying or leaving the village to go back to New York.

Gumbo, masks & all that Jaz



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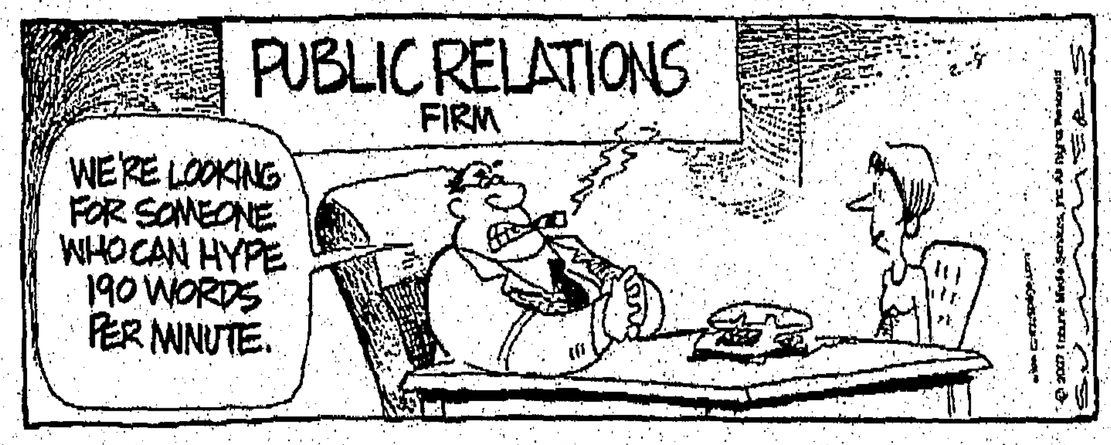

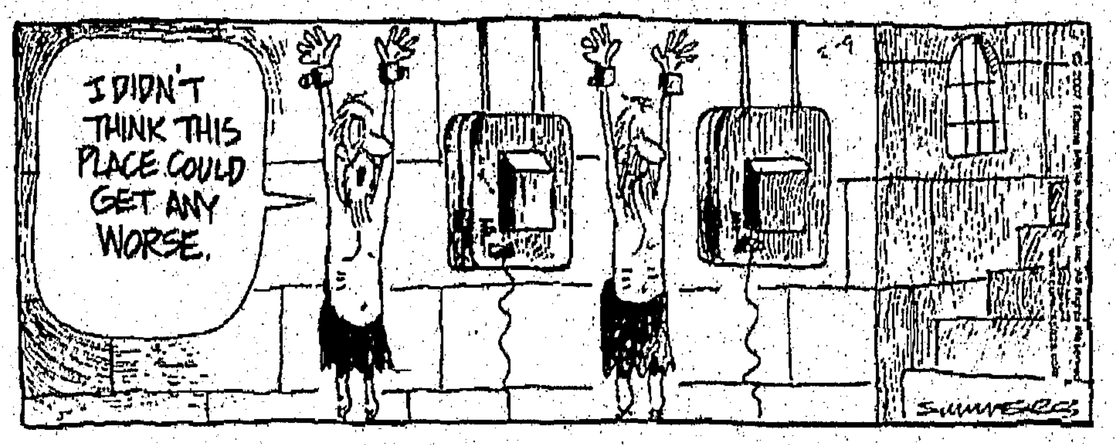

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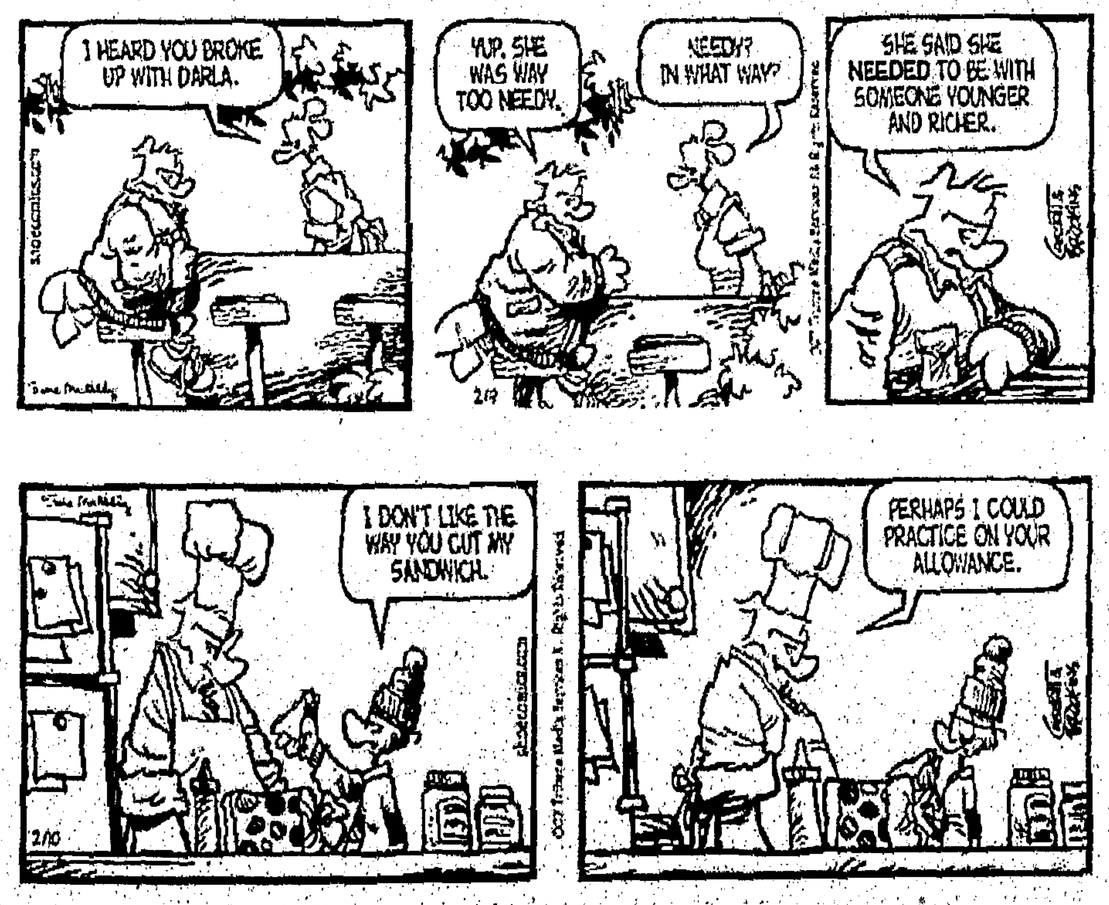

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COMICS & PUZZLES

Los Angeles Times Sunday Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

"BUG INFESTATION" By PATRICK JORDAN

ACROSS

1 Cossack, usually
5 Hiccup cause
10 Saw fit
15 It can be struck or held
19 Townshend of The Who
20 Tom of "Saving Grace"
21 Get even with
22 Grain
23 Declare decisively
24 FAQ part
25 Sharp-crested ridge
26 Authority figure
27 No longer under consideration
30 Makers of tortes and tarts
32 Borden bull
33 Tapering top
34 13-day siege site
36 Six-pack muscles
39 Holiday ball holders
41 Colony with tunnels
45 Food critic Sheraton
49 Complain loudly
53 You, to Friends
54 Related
55 "Airplane!" automatic pilot
56 Tail __
57 Isley Brothers classic
58 Breather
59 Feature of Blue Point, Long Island
63 Nine
64 Bishop's throne
66 Former tadpole
67 Sang lightly
68 They're no longer together
69 Results of not-so-smooth landings
70 Conn of "Benson"
71 More musty
74 Software prototype
75 Skip over nonessentials, say
79 Rhino relatives
80 Source of some nostalgia
82 Hardware item
83 Defeatist's declaration
84 "Turn up the heat!"
85 Personal: Prefix
86 Peak near Catania
87 Anecdotal knowledge
88 Garbo, usually
92 Provoke
93 Gulf of Finland country
95 Barrie pirate
96 Like a footsie player
98 Provides (for oneself)
100 Closes hard
103 Name on a bottle of "pleasures intense"
108 Tipped
111 Still fill
115 Jai __
116 Shaggy's pal, to Shaggy
118 Knee-to-ankle bone
119 "Lord knows __!"
120 Israeli P.M. during the Yom Kippur War
121 Exclusively
122 Tennyson work
123 Fall with force
124 Torsorial symbol
125 "Egads!"
126 String quartet member
127 Dispatched

DOWN

1 One in a dark suit
2 Video game stage
3 Elite group
4 Mesa __ National Park
5 Read hastily
6 Sentry's place
7 Egyptian life symbols
8 Very costly
9 Delivery assistant
10 Deep depressions
11 Dog summoner
12 Impresario's presentation
13 Convened
14 Organ donor's beneficiary
15 Best selection
16 Move like sludge
17 Leading
18 Good listeners
28 CPA's suggestion
29 "Vissi d'arte," e.g.
31 No. in a check box
35 Settle on the tarmac
37 Pouting types
38 Man-goat beings
40 "Ben-Hur" chariot pullers
42 What caring people give
43 Meet with the old gang
44 Apportioned, with "out"
45 Singer Anthony
46 It sells a lot of build-it-yourself furniture
47 Atomizer output
48 At immediate risk
50 "__ shame"
51 Boozehound
52 Swing voter: Abbr.
57 Derogatory
60 It can put you out
61 Drubbings
62 Unskilled in
63 Frequent victim of Bluto
65 Put forth
69 Retro 21st-century Fords
70 Hal and Larry
71 Steps over a fence
72 Pico de gallo holders
73 Disassembled
75 Pop
76 Fascinated by
77 1936 Oscar winner for his Pasteur portrayal
78 Catchall abbr.
80 Monk's address
81 Short, for short
84 Rifle sight
88 "The Practice" attorney __ Dole
89 Wets one's whistle
90 Clutter-free
91 Kind of engineer
94 Once known as
97 Nevertheless
99 Zoom down
101 Powerless move?
102 Prophetess
104 Cuts
105 Novelist's decision
106 2001 headline maker
107 Gulf of Aqaba nation
108 Moisture
109 Dairy case item
110 Bite the dust
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113 Organ in tadpoles but not frogs
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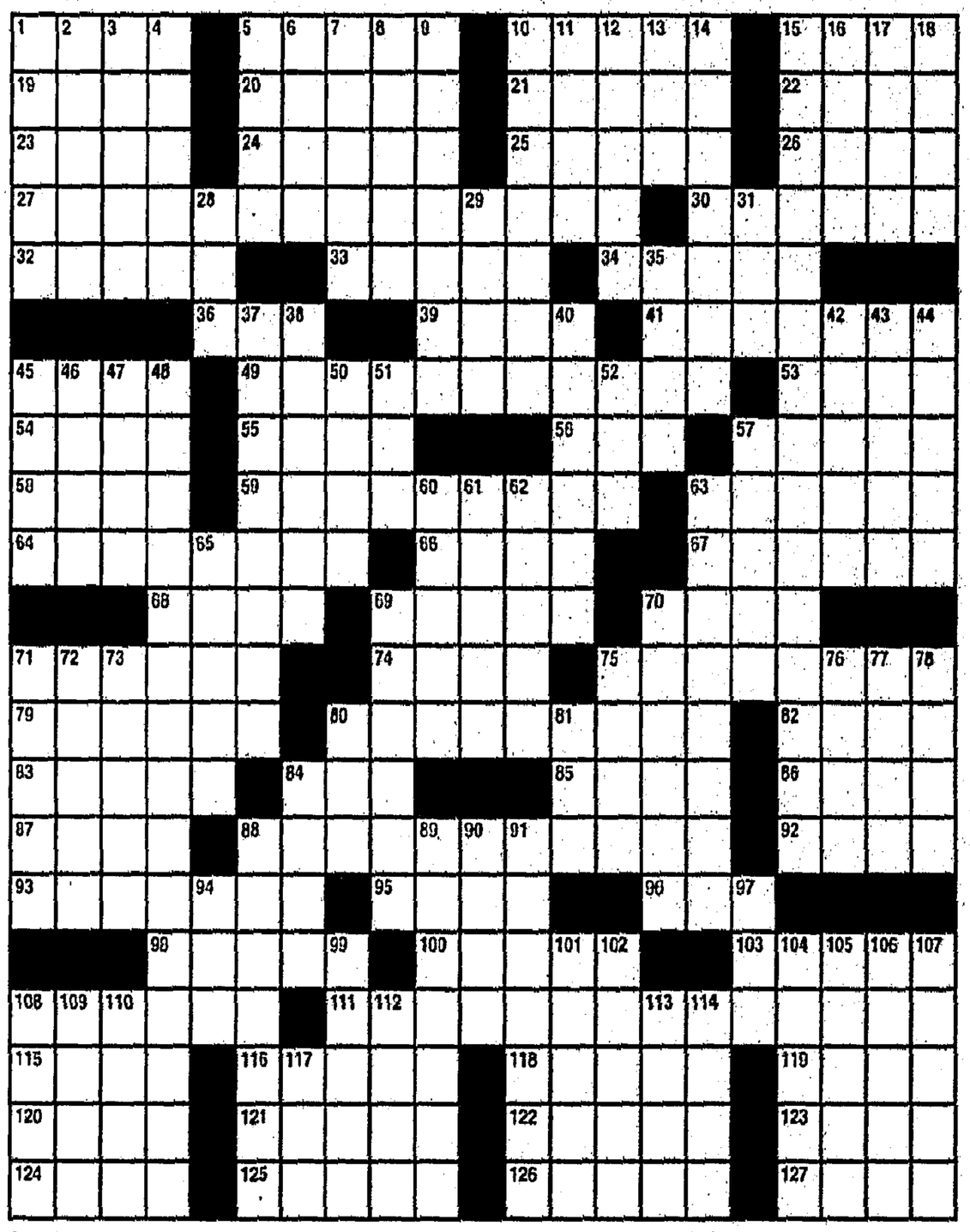

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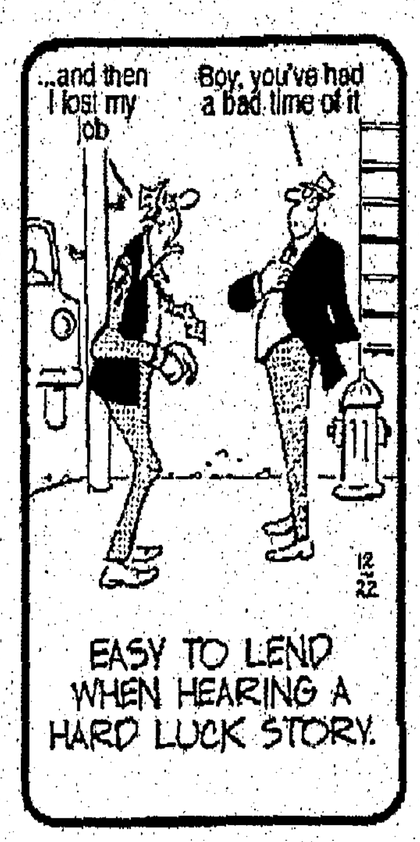

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ART SCENE

The Spencer's got art

BY DEANNA CHENEY
FOR ¡VAMONOS!

Art crawlers and architectural sightseers looking for Lincoln County's *pièce de résistance* need look no further than the Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts. A glass-eccentric, gleaming white monument appearing to grow out of the earth itself, the theater has been likened to a man-made crystal, a sci-fi star cruiser, an ancient pyramid and everything in between. It is a faceted chandelier suspended 7,000 feet high on a windswept mesa and the crowning achievement of world-renowned architect Antoine Predock. It also is home to the largest permanent collection of Dale Chihuly glass art in the southwest.

Tours of the facilities and the Chihuly installation are open to the public 10 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday mornings, except on holidays and on performance dates. To attend, travel north from Ruidoso on U.S. 48 to Alto then east on Highway 220.

All tours take about an hour and a half, and are guided by a member of the Spencer staff. Upon entry, visitors generally are struck by the complimentary elements found in the Spencer's art and architecture. A crystal lobby consisting of over 300 shimmering glass panes serves as a canopy for three Chihuly architectural commissions: "The Persians," a massive burst of blooming "fireworks" located along a 40-foot wall; the "Glowing Sunset Tower," a 14-foot tree composed of squiggling bows and echoing the movement of fire; and the "Indian Paint Brushes," a 177-piece sculpture inspired by the wildflowers of New Mexico.

It is here that Box Office Manager Donna Clarke said art aficionados seem to animate the most, stepping close enough to the glass monuments to appreciate the interlacing plates of color, craftsmanship and form. Photographs may be taken and often are with the Chihuly pieces serving as a backdrop. Open views of Sierra Blanca Mountain, too, are picturesque.

It is not uncommon, Clarke said, for locals to bring visiting relatives and friends to the Spencer for its many visual wonders, but engineers and design groups also visit.

"We had someone here just last week that is planning to bring in a group of architects from Switzerland next September," she said. "The group will be visiting several places in New Mexico but in southern New Mexico they are coming specifically to see the Spencer Theater."

Built at a cost of $22 million and opened October 1997 by the late Jackie Spencer, the theater has won numerous prestigious awards, including a citation by the United States Institute for Theatre Technology, Inc., as one of the seven outstanding theaters in the world.

With its vertical lines rising from zero to 95 feet, the Spencer connects the land with the sky, the past with the future, and the natural world with the artificial environment. It is, as Predock himself says, "A sculpted limestone mass that has been excavated into exact relationships between light, views, performance and procession," faced in 450 tons of Spanish mica-flecked limestone and flanked on its eastern wall with a cascading waterfall.

Equally impressive as the Spencer's aesthetics is its mechanics. The theater is actually two buildings separated by a 6-inch air buffer with the theater in one building and all equipment that might vibrate or make noise in another.

Clarke said different aspects of the Spencer appeal to different folks. "Visitors often are surprised to find the playhouse itself is intimate." The farthest distance from the stage to seating is 67 feet, she said.

Backstage, tourists are permitted to walk through prop and preparatory areas and dressing rooms that can accommodate 52 artists, including four-star dressing rooms. On the same floor is found the Spencer's Signature Wall, a winding corridor where the many musicians, dancers, singers and actors who have performed at the Spencer have left a personalized impression as if to say, "I was here."

Upstairs in the Founder's Club, a private lounge and gathering space of contributors, more Chihuly glass art is found. The Ruby Sea Garden and Chandelier features countless rippling tentacles in forms as large as six feet in length. Just around the bend is the last of the Spencer's Chihuly art, a series of cobalt "baskets" inspired by the design of Native American artisans cradled inside a larger, more translucent pannier.

In all, about 1,500 people tour the Spencer Theater each year to view its art and architecture. Another 20-22,000 come to take in the music, dance, drama and comedy that accompanies shows on the average of every 11 days, year around. Many more enjoy the Spencer Theater during special occasions such as weddings, art exhibits and private dinners. For a complete schedule of upcoming events and ticket information, and to learn more about tour and rental availability, call 336-4800, (toll free) 888-818-7872, or log onto: www.spencertheater.com

DEANNA CHENEY

Spencer staffer Louise Ball points to one section of the Spencer's Signature Wall, located between the artist dressing rooms and in-stage preparatory areas which is signed by the many musicians, dancers, singers and actors who have performed at the Spencer Theater.

"The Persians," a massive burst of blooming "fireworks" by Dale Chihuly that lines a 40-foot wall inside the Spencer Theater. Courtesy photo.

ART EVENTS

Sweet art

With Valentine's Day coming up, why not take your sweetie for an early celebration? Oso Art has planned a wonderful evening this Saturday, Feb. 10, with art, champagne, chocolate and the smooth sounds of classical guitarist Tomas Vigil.

You will be enchanted by the beautiful art and music while enjoying this event from 6-9 p.m. Both Oso locations will be open: Oso Art at 100 Lincoln Ave. and the Oso Art Reserve at 105 Smokey Bear Blvd.

And to complement the evening, the Greenhouse Café will be offering an hors d'oeuvres and beverage buffet for only $10 per person from 5-8 p.m. in celebration of the Oso event.

Naive art

Gallery 408 in Carrizozo presents original drawings and prints by Ari Kalminson, grant recipient for 2006. Grant monies are used to support art classes in The Studios on Twelfth Street for Carrizozo youth.

Kalminson belongs to the school of Naive Art, with original drawings and prints that present a refreshing and simple vision without formal art school training. Kalminson is self-taught, and many of his pieces command a great deal of dignity and attention.

Kalminson's works, which are mostly done with India ink and colored pencil, represent people at their work or play from a variety of different cultures.

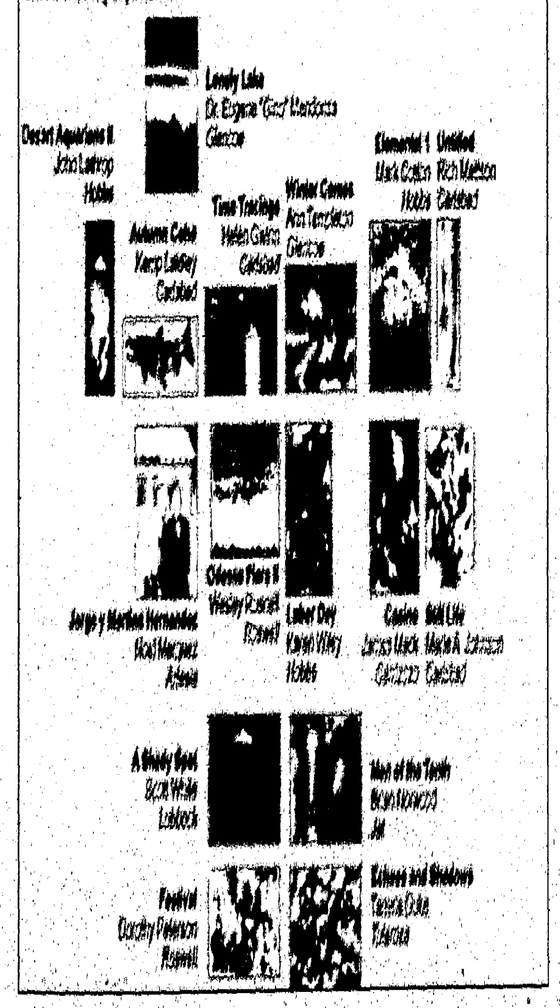
Patrons may attend the art opening on Saturday, Feb. 10, 5-7 p.m., with a wine reception and a chance to see and purchase the works of this featured artists.

Gallery 408 is located on 12th Street in Carrizozo. For further information, call 648-2598.

Pecos - Llano Regional Invitational
Guest curator: Terry Bumpass
On view December 18, 2006 - February 26, 2007
Featuring works by artists from southeastern New Mexico and west Texas

In celebration of our 75th anniversary, the Carlsbad Museum and Art Center presents our first-ever exhibition of work by artists living and working in our vast region, from the Texas caprock in the east to the New Mexico mountains in the west.

Guest curator Terry Bumpass -- former curator of the Governor's Gallery, Santa Fe -- selected 22 works -- paintings and ceramics -- by 16 artists. A work by each artist is illustrated below. Bumpass said, "The exhibition has come together beautifully. I'm pleased and proud -- it's more than fulfilled my expectations."



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HISTORY

Billy the Kid in brief: part 5

Past Tense

by Drew Comber
Historian

Billy the Kid had a pretty good "going concern" with his rustling business. He and his gang would rustle stock up here in New Mexico and then drive the animals down to Tascosa, Texas, where they would sell them. Then, they would steal some Texas stock and drive them back up here!

The problem was that Billy, with his ebullient personality and charm, was extremely high profile, which is not a good thing if you want to be a criminal...

Whisky Jim

Jim Greathouse owned a "road house" near what is now Corona, N.M. It was actually a clearing place for stolen stock, a spot where one could procure whisky and occasionally other forms of entertainment. "Whisky Jim," as he was known, had been doing business with Billy and his gang for some time when the Kid, in the company of Billie Wilson, another gang member, showed up there on foot in late November, 1880.

A day or so before, Billy and his gang had been surprised by a "posse" near White Oaks. After a shootout that left two horses dead, the entire gang escaped. The Kid and Wilson were on foot, as it had been their horses that were killed, and the rest of the gang on horseback. Probably by pre-arrangement, they all rendezvoused at Greathouse's place later. What they did not know was that the same "posse" would follow them there.

I keep putting the word "posse" in quotes because they weren't a real posse. They had no official authority – just good intentions to put the outlaws out of business. Unfortunately, and as Billy himself would later point out, good intentions aside, without official authority they were no more than a mob. And no outlaw in his right mind would surrender to a mob if he could help it. It was an excellent way to find yourself dangling from a tree limb...

The Kid and his gang were all inside the Greathouse place when the "posse" arrived and surrounded it under cover of darkness. The next morning, some of the other people staying there roused themselves at dawn and went down to the spring for water. They were immediately taken into custody by the mob, and once it was determined that they were not members of the Kid's gang, they were simply held. Finally, Jim Greathouse himself went out and was taken into custody.

Finally, Jim Carlyle, the mob's leader, sent a prisoner in with a note to the Kid, demanding his surrender. A few moments later, he could hear the Kid and his men laughing.

We must never forget that the one thing that seems to have been prevalent wherever white men went on the frontier was whisky. It was cold outside, and the "posse" had been drinking steadily to "keep warm." Consequently, most of them, including Carlyle, were more or less drunk, which goes a long way toward explaining their actions that day.

Carlyle, apparently feeling quite secure that he had the upper hand because he had Jim Greathouse in custody, finally walked into the house himself to try and bargain with the outlaws. *Now*, the outlaws had a hostage too!

Undoubtedly feeling a bit foolish for supplying such a valuable commodity as a hostage to the outlaws, Carlyle complained vigorously, demanding that the outlaws release him, something they were not about to do. Finally, apparently in the hope that it would get him to shut up, the Kid and his men gave Carlyle a bottle of whisky to amuse himself with, and this, of course, had exactly the opposite effect. Instead of shutting up, he couldn't seem to stop talking.

It was not an overly tense situation, but whisky does interesting things to the human brain. Someone outside accidentally discharged a weapon and Carlyle – by this time drunk as a skunk – was instantly and mortally certain that his men had just executed Greathouse and that he would be the next to die at the hands of the outlaws. Leaping to his feet and darting across the room, Carlyle dove through a closed window, taking the sash with him.

Both Billy and fellow gang member Dave Rudabaugh got off a couple of shots at the fleeing Carlyle, but whether they hit him or not is a moot point. When poor Carlyle hit the ground outside, he leaped to his feet and the posse/mob, who were just as, if not more, drunk than Carlyle, opened fire on him, assuming him to be one of the outlaws attempting to escape. Carlyle fell to the ground a dead man.

Seeing what they had wrought, the posse simply left in disarray. Later in the day, so did the outlaws. Jim Carlyle's grave is one of the few things that remain on the site today.

Fort Sumner

Pat Garrett was elected to the post of Lincoln County Sheriff and was scheduled to take office in 1881. However, the big ranchers – most especially John Chisum – insisted that he begin his pursuit of the Kid in late 1880, which he did. The real problem was that Chisum and the other ranchers blamed all their missing stock on the Kid and his gang, when there were certainly other rustlers in the area. For Billy to have stolen all the stock that it was claimed he had stolen, he would have had to be in three or four places at the same time.

Pat Garrett was never the man-hunter that he is frequently portrayed as being. His *modus operandi* was to set up an ambush in an area that his prey was known to frequent, and that was exactly what he did in his pursuit of the Kid and his gang.

On the night of December 19, 1880, Garrett and his posse positioned themselves in and around the old hospital building at Fort Sumner. The weather had been particularly severe lately, and Garrett knew it was a good bet that the outlaws would head for Fort Sumner, where Charlie Bowdre's wife lived and they felt safe.

They were wrong. Garrett's lookout had come in to inform the posse that some men were approaching, and Pat knew that the only men out in that kind of weather at that hour (it was about 11 p.m.) had to be his quarry. The posse crouched in the darkness, waiting as the riders slowly emerged from the fog. There was over a foot of snow on the ground as the two lead riders rode almost right up to the posse.

Pat had assumed that the Kid, as the leader, would be riding in front and had instructed his men accordingly. None of them except Pat had ever seen the Kid. The lead horse was actually sticking his head under the shelter of the hospital's portal when Garrett shouted the word "Halt!" And with that one word, all hell broke loose.

Guns boomed all around as the panicked horses plunged wildly about. The outlaws returned fire, but had no targets, as they fled into the night. Then, one horse and rider slowly re-emerged from the fog. The rider was slumped in the saddle as Garrett and one of his deputies cautiously approached. "Don't shoot anymore, Garrett. I'm killed," said the rider. It was not Billy, as Garrett had anticipated, but his friend and constant companion, 18-year-old Tom O'Folliard. Tom had been hit in the chest, just under the heart. He was dying.

Next: Another gunfight

SOURCES: *High Noon in Lincoln* and *Billy the Kid, a Short and Violent Life*, both by Robert Utley; *A Documentary History of the Lincoln County War* and *The West of Billy the Kid*, both by Frederick Nolan.

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

Mountain High Recovery Group of Narcotics Anonymous: Meets Tuesdays, Thursdays; Saturdays 7 p.m. at Ruidoso Downs First Baptist Church, 361 Highway 70 East.

Recovering Couples Anonymous: 6:45 p.m. Thursdays at the Episcopal Church Parish Hall meeting room, 121 Mescalero Trail; Info: 808-2959.

Sex Addicts Anonymous: 5:30 p.m. Thursdays at the Episcopal Church Parish Hall meeting room, 121 Mescalero Trail; Info: 653-4937.

Meditation Group: Wallflowers Bed and Breakfast, 573 Highway 380 West, Capitan, hosts 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. 11:30 a.m. Thursdays and 7 p.m. Fridays. Suggested donation: $33 (not required). Private sessions, $77. Sliding scale. Info: 937-7822 or email wearonebeloved-@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; Info: 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, junction of Highways 48 and 37; Info: 336-9161.

Art Connection: Last Wednesday of each month. Innsbruck Club House. Info: Pat, 258-3602.

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

Insighters Book Club: 6:30 p.m. first Wednesday of each month at Insight Books, 1860 Sudderth. Membership is diverse and reading selections are chosen by group members. No charge and all are welcome. Info: 257-4625.

Lincoln County Adult Singles: Meets every first and third Thursdays at various locations. Other meeting or event times will vary during the month. Info: Darrell, 354-2635 or Sharon, 585-8535, or www.high-countryeng. com/LCASC.

Lincoln County Garden Club: 9:45 a.m. every third Tuesday at various locations; Joyce, 258-4663.

Mountaintop Turners: Woodturning club, 10 a.m. every third Saturday at the woodshop of Steve and Madeleine Sabo, 354-0201.

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 Sudderth Dr.; 258-4003.

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

Sierra Blanca Swingers: 7:30 p.m. every first and third Thursdays at Nob Hill Early Childhood Center for basic and mainstream square dancing; Info: 336-4808.

Education

After-School at the Library: Every Tuesday afternoon, 3:15-5 p.m. 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; Info: 653-4718.

Service Organizations

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; Info: Beth, 258-4244.

Boy Scouts of America, Troop 59: 6 p.m. every second and fourth Monday, Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount; Info: 378-4880.

B.P.O. Elks No. 2086: 7 p.m., first and third Thursdays, Elks Lodge Building, U.S. 70; Info: 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. Info: Kitty or Bob Callender, 258-1345.

Children's TeamKids Discipleship Program: 6-7:45 p.m. Wednesdays (Sept.-May), First Baptist Church, 270 Country Club Dr., Ruidoso. For children age 4 to 6th grade; Info: 257-2081or www.fbcruidoso.com.

Sierra Blanca Daughters of the American Revolution: Chapter meets every third Saturday morning, Sept.-May, time and place TBA; Info: 258-3045.

Friends of Capitan Library: Call for volunteers for Not 2 Shabby Thrift Shop. Info: Raynene, 354-3046 or library, 354-3035.

Kiwanis: Tuesdays at noon at Western Grill; Rutalee, 258-1431

OES Ruidoso Chapter 65: Meeting every second Thursday at 7:30 p.m. 144 Nob Hill Dr. Info: 257-5313.

Optimist Club (Friends of Youth): Noon every Wednesday at Western Grill. 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. Info: 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 Highway 70; Info: 378-8099 or 378-8316.

Ruidoso Evening Lions: Tuesdays at 7 p.m. at the Evening Lions Club House, 106 S. Overlook (behind Chef Lupe's). New members always welcome. Info: Mike Zaragosa, 937-0768 or Harold Oakes, 937-7618.

Ruidoso Federated Woman's Club: 1:30 p.m. every second Wednesday Sept. - May in the Woman's Club Building, 116 Evergreen Rd., behind Ruidoso Office Supply; Game day: 11:45 a.m. Monday, potluck lunch followed by bridge and other games; Info: 257-7936.

Ruidoso Shrine Club: 6:30 p.m every fourth Wednesday at Cree Meadows Restaurant; Info: 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; Info: 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; Info: 437-2921.

White Mountain Search & Rescue: 7p.m. every third Monday in the conference room at Ruidoso Police Station on Mechem Drive; Info: 378-5237 or 257-2339.

Veterans

American Legion Robert J. Hagee Post 79: 6 p.m. every third Wednesday, American Legion Hall, Highway 70 and Spring Rd., Ruidoso Downs; Info: 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, Highway 70 and Spring Rd., Ruidoso Downs; Info: 257-5796.

Political

Democratic Party of Lincoln County: 6:30 p.m. every first Thursday at Western Grill, Highway 70 West; Info: Joyce, 336-4501.

Federated Republican Women of Lincoln County: Facilitates increased and more informed participation in the political process. Noon every fourth Tuesday. All women welcome. For location and other info: Genevieve, 336-2694, or email gduncan@valornet.com.

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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 Tuesday at 700 U.S. 70 West in Bingo Hall; 437-0770.

Service Organizations

Alamogordo Breakfast Lions Club: Meets at 7 a.m. every Saturday 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 Wednesday, except the fifth. 434-6417.

Alamogordo Public Library Foundation: Raises money and awareness for Alamogordo Public Library. Flori, 437-6616 or Allen 434-2349.

Altrusa International: 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 5:30 p.m. at Margo's. Linda, 437-0703.

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 Monday at time and place TBA. 437-7200.

Downtown Lions Club: Meets on second and fourth Mondays 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 Thursdays 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 Monday at 409 Higuera St., Tularosa. 434-1456.

Education

ESL: English as a second language class, 9 a.m. each Monday, 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 Tuesday at the IIS Building. Dr. Doug Householder, 439-3200.

Lacy Simms: Governing council meets at 5:30 p.m. every second and fourth Monday at First National Bank Building Atrium. Regular meetings are at 7:15 p.m; 437-4011.

Help & Healing

American Cancer Society Quality of Life Center and Gift Closet: 3 - 5 p.m. every Tuesday 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 Wednesday at the Disability Resource Center, No. 772 in the Granada Shopping Center; 439-4889.

Free Blood Pressure Screening: 9 a.m. - noon Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at the Red Cross office, 700 E. First St., No. 765. 437-4421.

Calvary Baptist Clothes Closet: Open 2 - 4 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, 1200 Indian Wells Rd.; Clothing is free; Donations 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. Tuesday and Thursday 437-3891.

HIBAC: Counselors are available in the Nutrition Office at the Alamo Senior Center, 9 a.m.-noon, Monday & Wednesday to assist with supplemental insurance for Medicare.

Habitat for Humanity Store: Open 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. every Wednesday & Saturday New and used discounted home improvement materials. Donations welcome; 1109 10th St., Alamogordo; 437-0160.

Humane Society of Otero County: Meets at 6:30 p.m. every first Thursday at Margo's Mexican Restaurant. 437-0157.

Low Income Housing: Applications are accepted 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday-Friday at the Alamogordo Housing Authority, located at 104 Amigo Ave. Laura, 437-5621 ext. 11.

New Life Group of Narcotics Anonymous: Meets Sun. 6 p.m., Tuesday/Thursday 8 p.m., Friday 5:30 p.m. First Christian Church, 2300 23rd St.

Salvation Army Social Services: Open 10 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday; 10 a.m.-noon Friday; 443-0845.

Salvation Army Thrift Store: Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Monday-Friday, and from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday. 443-0845.

Search and Rescue: Meets every second and fourth Thursday 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 Monday - Saturday; Proceeds support the programs at Zia Therapy Center for children and adults with developmental disabilities; Donations appreciated; Fridays 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 Wednesday at Big Daddy's Restaurant on U.S. 82, Cloudcroft. Dr. Harvey Hilbert, 687-3219, HarveyHilbert@yahoo.com.

Clubs & Associations

Alamo Squares: Square dancing on 2nd and 4th Saturdays. 8 p.m. Info: 437-3043, 434-2618 or 437-5474.

Alamogordo Astronomy Club: Meets every third Friday. Mike Mosier, 437-8260.

Alamogordo Genealogical Society: 2 p.m. every third Saturday 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 Thursday 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 Wednesday 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 Fridays. 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 Tuesday at the CAPPED Offices at 907 New York Ave. 437-1899.

Desert Castaways Duplicate Bridge Club: Meets 12:30 p.m. every Monday, Tuesday & Friday at the Alamogordo Senior Center, 2201 Puerto Rico. 437-2822.

Enchanted Quilters Guild: Meets 7 - 9 p.m. every first and third Thursdays at Christian Church Fellowship Hall, 1300 Hawaii Ave. All are welcome. 682-2312.

Experimental Aircraft Association: Meets at 7 p.m. every second Tuesday 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 Thursday at the VFW annex building. Cruise-Ins are on the last Saturday 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. John Douglas, 437-5318 or Gale Ortiz, 434-5242.

The New Horizon Band: Rehearsals 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. every Thursday at the Alamogordo Senior Center. 434-4281.

New Mexico Solar Energy Assn: Bimonthly Jan.-Nov. 3rd Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. at Otero PATH, S. Florida at 1st St. Public welcome. Chuck: 434-6296.

Noel Southard Chapter of the National Wildlife Turkey Federation: Meets at 7 p.m. every first Monday 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 Tuesday at First Christian Church, 2300 23rd St. Field trips every fourth Saturday, annual campouts and picnic. 437-3377.

White Sands Dart Association: Double team tournaments 7:30 p.m. every Wednesday 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 Monday at the Elks Lodge, 2290 Hamilton Road. Doors open at 6 p.m. $1,000 Jackpot. Free coffee. 437-1897.

Bingo: 7 p.m. Wednesday-Friday and Sun., 2 p.m. Saturday 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 Wednesday at Edward Jones Investments, 1106 E. 10th St. Topics include current events, identity theft and Social Security. Breakfast rolls and juices provided. 443-1900.

Joyful Noyse Recorder Consort: Every other Sunday in Alamogordo; various locations; Seeking soprano, alto, tenor & bass recorder players; Info: 937-2006.

Meditation Group: Every Saturday, 10 a.m. - noon at 1010 16th St., Alamogordo. Music-guided meditation. 443-1075.

Galleries & Studios

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David H. Townsend Library Gallery • New Mexico State University-Alamogordo campus, 2400 Scenic Dr. • 439-3650 • Sunday - Friday • Monthly exhibit.

Eagle Ranch Art Gallery • 7288 U.S. Highway 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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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.

Cloudcroft Pottery, 502A Burro Ave. • 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. • 682-3321 • Functional stoneware and raku. Don and Donna Ellis, proprietors.

Copper Butterfly • 206 Burro Ave. • 682-2765 • Fine arts, quality crafts. Gloria and Gary Wood, proprietors.

Hummingbird Nest • 306 Burro Ave. • 682-2728 • Ceramics, paintings. Kathy Powell, proprietor.

Off the Beaten Path • 100 Glorietta Ave. • 682-7284 • Eclectic gifts and original artwork, wacky wire art, jewelry, yard art, artistic lamps, and more. Berle Van Zanat and Donna Rand, proprietors. Open daily.

Thy, Smiling Dog Art Gallery • 311 James Canyon Hwy. • 682-2122 • Original oils, prints, jewelry, photography, metal work, and home décor.

Tularosa

Adobe Daubers Arts & Crafts Gallery • 275-B Central Ave. • 585-2084.

Coffee & More at Tularosa Dry Goods, 308 Granado Street, Tularosa. • 8 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Mon., Wed., Thurs.-Sat.; 10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Sunday • 585-4575 • Rotating art exhibit.

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High Mesa Artists Studio Tour

The High Mesa Artists Studio Tour, which will be held April 7-8, is seeking artists for participation in the upcoming tour. Eligible artists are those residing in the area, which begins at the intersection of Hwy. 48/37 and continues north to Nogal. Interested artists should contact Patty at 354-1432. Deadline is Feb. 10.

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The Art Gallery, a cooperative of professional, independent artists throughout the Ruidoso region, is calling for artists to display works in the gallery. Artists should call 257-7272 to discuss membership and commission rate charged per sold items. The Art Gallery represents nearly 100 artists and offers the widest variety of fine art to be found within Southern New Mexico.

mARTi-Gras Mask Competition

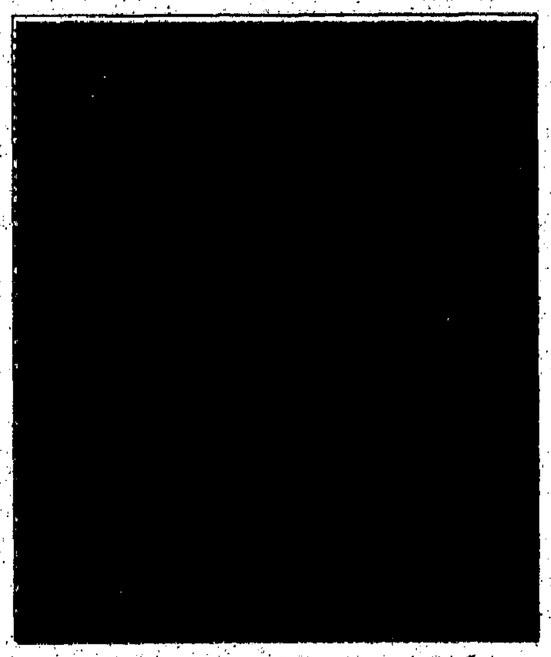
mARTi-Gras Mask Competition & Fine Art Show/Sale, organized through the Ruidoso Regional Council for the Arts, is currently seeking interested amateur individuals or groups and professional artists to take part in the mARTi-Gras Art Mask Competition, Feb. 17. Competitors are challenged to make a work of art with the theme of a mask. Three categories are available: wearable art, display art and wall art; any medium, no size restrictions, and each piece must be for sale during the event's silent auction. The proceeds for each art mask will go the to the submitting artist(s) less a 15 percent commission for operations at RRCA. Call now for more information: 257-7272, or email rrcarts@valornet.com.

Artists for RRCA Web site

Artists needed for new Web site. Ruidoso Regional Council for the Arts has purchased a new Web site, www.ruidosoarts.org, to promote the talents and variety of works produced by regional artists..A minimal fee is required; benefits and perks come with membership. Call the RRCA at 257-7272 or email, rrcarts@valornet.com.

Trail of Painted Ponies

Artists from across America are invited to participate in this prestigious competition with this year's title: "America the Beautiful." Categories: The American West, The Spirit of America and Americana. Submission deadline has been extended to Feb. 14. Visit www.trailofpaintedponies.com for information and application.



Entries for the mARTi-Gras Mask Competition come in many forms, such as this piece by artist Betsy Shaw.

Auditions

NMSU-A Theatre on the Hill will hold auditions for *Charlie & the Chocolate Factory* at 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 17-18, at the Rohovec Fine Arts Center. Roles are available for adults and children (ages 9 and above). For more information, call Diana at 439-3670.

SouthWest Writers

Now accepting entries for the SouthWest Writers Annual Contest – 2007, which encourages and honors excellence in writing. One of the most comprehensive writing contests worldwide, with 20 separate genres/categories (including a Spanish language category), 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners in each category receive cash prizes. First-place winners compete for the $1,000 Storyteller Award. A small entry fee is required, and entries must be postmarked by May 1. Visit www.southwestwriters.org for details.

Concert Band Musicians

ENMU-Ruidoso's new Concert Band is recruiting additional brass, woodwind and percussion musicians throughout Lincoln and Otero counties to join the ENMU-Community Band. Participation is open to all residents. Meeting 6-8 p.m. each Wednesday at the Ruidoso High School fine arts building, the community band is already planning several public performances later this spring.

For more information about the band program, call ENMU-Ruidoso at 257-2120 or toll free at 1-800-934-3668.

High School Musical

Review by Sandy Kashmar
¡Vamonos! editor

Any production's opening night posesses a unique energy, and last Friday night's *High School Musical* was no exception. Blessed with well-crafted musical numbers and a fast-paced script, Disney's made-for-cable-TV movie translates beautifully to the stage. The Ruido-so High School Drama Department, under the direction of Cathi McIntosh (who also choreographed the dances), and the musical direction of Sherry Taylor, put on a high-energy show that had the audience clapping and laughing the entire evening.

Outstanding ensemble work characterized this particular production, as the cast is divided into several recognizable cliques – the Jocks, the Brainiacs, the Nerds, the Skaters, the Cheerleaders, the Thespians – who work not only as individual teams, but eventually come together for a common cause.

While all of the leading players excelled in their roles, the chemistry between Connor Reveley and Ericka Olvera, as Troy and Gabriella, was mesmerizing and non-stop. Olvera's voice was clear and resonant, and she portrayed Gabriella's changes and growth with self-assured confidence. Reveley was a charmer as Troy, the Jock king, but together the pair commanded the stage during their scenes.

As I have heard many people comment, Krysta Snowden was apparently born to play the role of Sharpay, the Drama Queen. ("Queen," as in ruler – as well as in the combined-with-the-word-"drama" sense...) Snowden was wonderful as a dancer, great as a singer and truly convincing as the obsessive ruler of the Thespians who is eventually overthrown. Schuyler Talsma was the perfect foil as her twin brother, Ryan, who finally displays his own backbone. It was fun watching his character develop and move out of her shadow.

Among the more difficult challenges for any youth performance team is the portrayal of the story's adult characters. One of the evening's most outstanding performances came from Samantha Knox as the eccentric Ms. Darbus, the drama teacher. Knox played it to the hilt, and the audience easily forgot that she was a teenager playing an adult. She was vibrant, funny and totally believable.

JJ Wood, as the school's announcer Jack Scott, was another standout. Every time he would enter his sound booth at stage right, usually in the dark (and always in character), you could sense excitement in the sudience, as all of his scenes were played with energy, great timing and a twinkle in his eye. (We also would look forward to seeing what hat he'd have on this time...) When he appeared onstage as a part of the ensemble, it was often difficult not to let your focus shift to him, as he simply shines on stage. However, the total ensemble work was so well-done that the audience could not be drawn exclusively to one player or another for very long. The staging was dynamic, and McIntosh's choreography is to be applauded.

The other supporting roles were all played with as much professionalism as the leads, and particular favorites of this audience member were Jordan Kelley as Taylor, Chelo Amador as Martha ("hip hop hooray"), Jacob Rigsby as Zeke and Nate Huffman (for his turn as the worm in the drama exercise). However, not one player on the stage seemed out of place, and with nearly seamless set changes (which were numerous) and almost flawless lighting and sound executed by Ed Spurr's fabulous teen technical crew, the entire production was delightful.

The only flaw I noted was partially due to limitations of the script, as the Brainiacs and the Jocks resolved to rectify their mistakes, and the pace of the show became jumpy. There was some lack of clarity as to what, exactly, was happening (though anyone familiar with the movie was well-aware of what was going on.) A few of the supporting characters tended to rush their lines at times, which could easily have been attributed to opening-night excitement. But those moments were short-lived, and the show rocked on to its happy and uplifting conclusion.

One weekend remains, giving you three chances to see *High School Musical*. Even if you've seen it once, I would encourage you to see it again, to help show our community's support for these young thespians and tech crew.

Friday and Saturday night shows are at 7 p.m. and Sunday's matinee is at 2 p.m. Tickets are $10 for adults and $8 for students. So "Bop to the Top" with Ruidoso High School's production of Disney's *High School Musical* this weekend at the Ruidoso Schools Performing Arts Center on Warrior Drive.

You'll leave the theater singing and smiling.

SANDY KASHMAR/STAFF

Ruidoso High School actors sing, dance and act their hearts out in their production of High School Musical *for one more weekend.*

The Brainiacs tell Gabriella we're "Counting On You."

Sharpay and Ryan (Krysta Snowden and Schuyler Talsma).

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This light-filled, full-golf home is enhanced by Sierra Blanca views. Two fireplaces and two open-concept living areas create a warm & luxurious living environment. Fabulous decks. An exceptional home. **$598,000.** #18257

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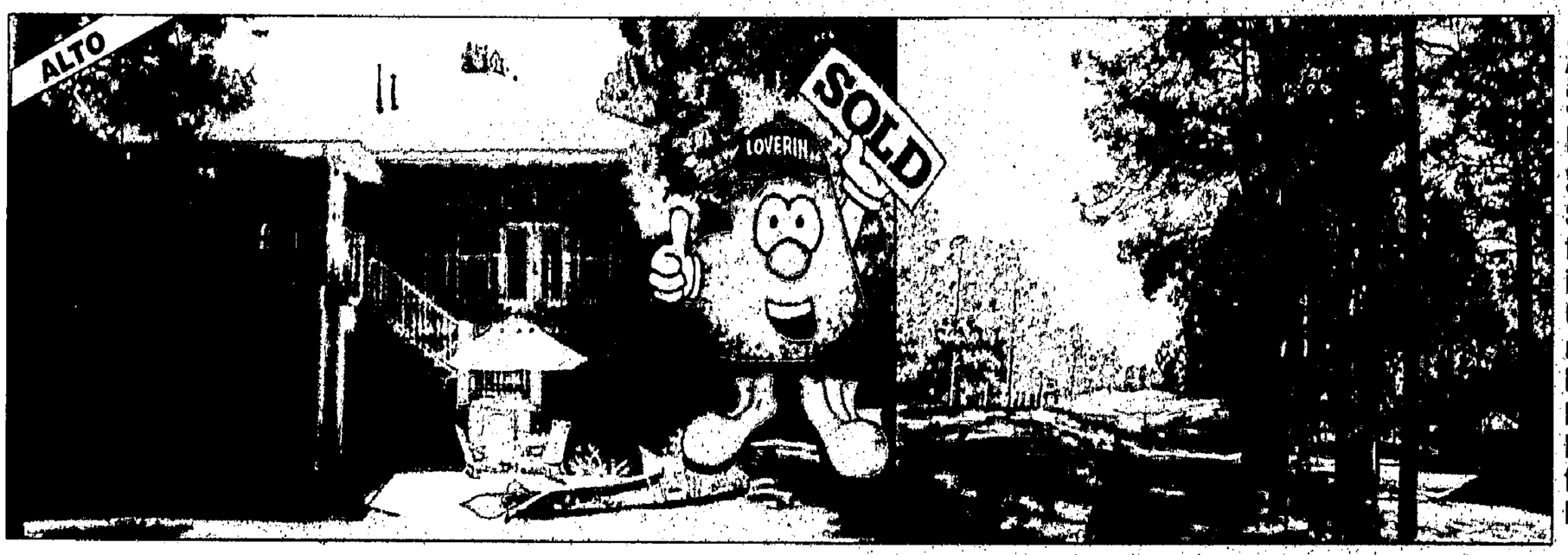

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Spacious 4 br., 4 ½ ba. full-golf membership home is appealing in every way. Quiet cul-de-sac setting. 2 master suites & 2 living areas. Marvelous kitchen and patio area. Fabulous fairway views from this very prestigious home! **$749,500.** #17496

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— Richard and Janis

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! **$384,500**. #17302

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

TASTEFULLY FURNISHED ALTO GOLF MEMBER-SHIP HOME

This classy 4 br. home with interior wood accents is perfect for entertaining. Fabulous open concept. Cozy and elegant on a corner lot. Great kitchen w/ exquisite handmade tile. Master on main level. Very desirable! **$559,000**. #18352

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

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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

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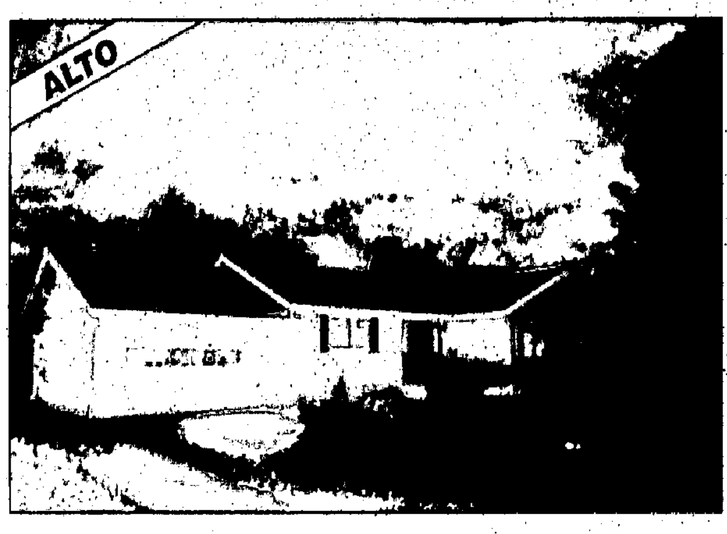
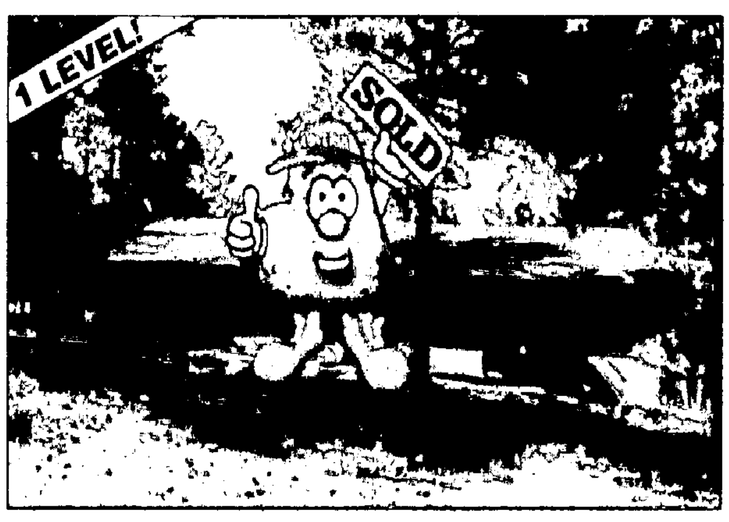
FULL-GOLF ALTO 3 BR. HOME WITH CHARMING CHALET FLAVOR

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



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



ONE LEVEL ALTO STUCCO HOME ON 1.01 ACRE!

This "full-golf" membership 3 br. stucco home has one-level convenience and a large lot with a very secluded feel. Oversized garage, covered deck, and paved drive complete this desirable package. Furnished too! **$325,000**. #18282

AMAZING SIERRA BLANCA VIEWS FROM THIS NEW ALTO HOME!

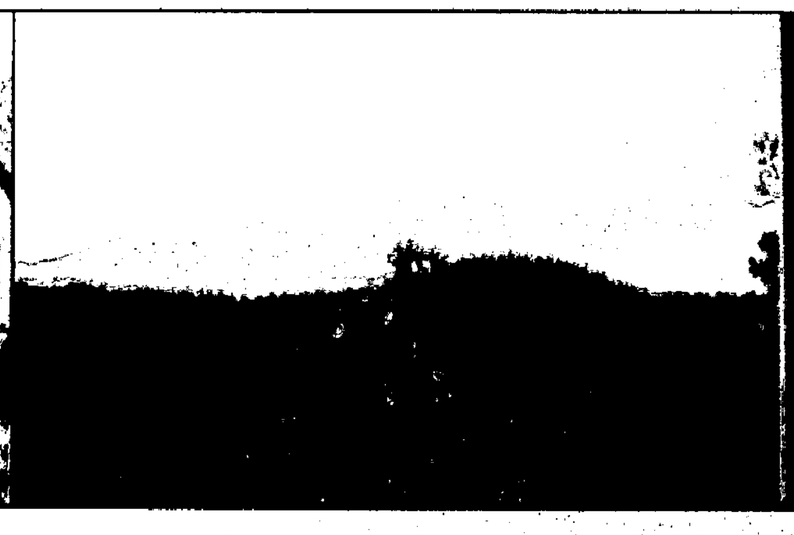
Lots to love here! Wood floors, media room, and front courtyard. Great room and Master open to a marvelous Trex-type deck with astonishing Sierra Blanca view. Great style and quality by Blue Spruce Construction. **$399,500**. #16668

ALTO 3 BR., 2 BA. FULL-GOLF HOME UNDER $260K!

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

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. **$249,500**. #17439



NEW ALTO STUCCO WITH VIEWS, VIEWS VIEWS!

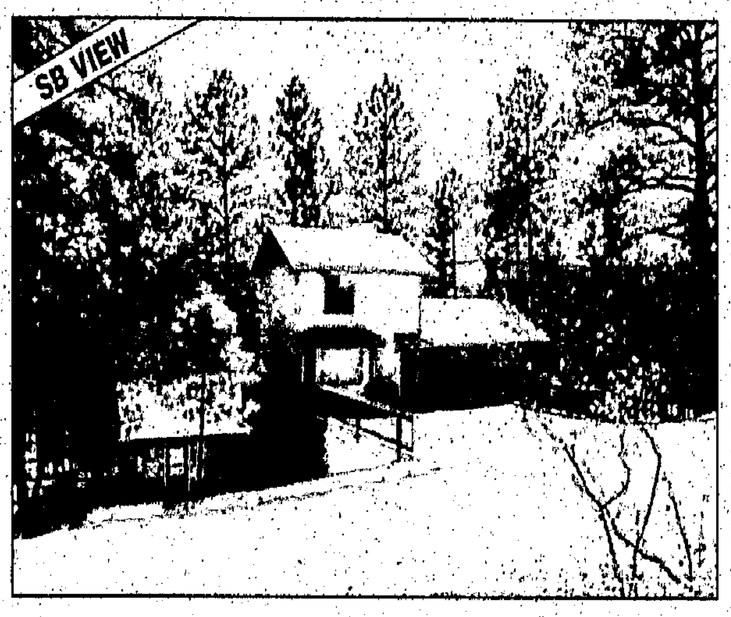
Both Sierra Blanca and valley views are there for you to enjoy as you experience luxurious living in this spacious new Alto home. An amazing setting for this 3 br., 2 ½ ba.! Over 600 sq.ft. heated storage too! Large lot. An exceptional home w/ 2 living areas & game area too. **$465,000**. #18321

CLASSY UPPER CANYON 4 BR. HOME!

A true Ruidoso charmer. Vaulted ceilings. Knotty pine. Fabulous deck w/roll-out awning. Skylights too. Papa, Momma and Baby Bear would all give this one a unanimous "Just Right!" **$239,500**. #15983

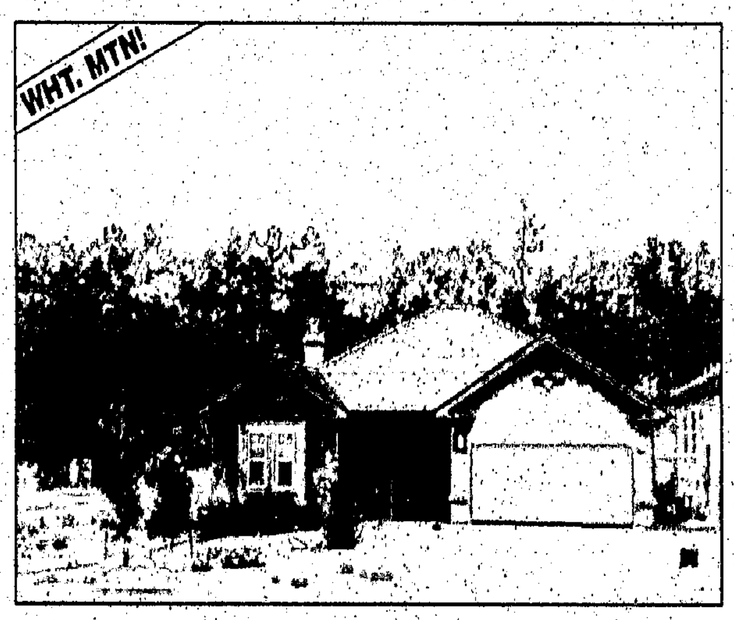
ELEGANT STUCCO WITH SUN-SPLASHED INTERIORS!

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



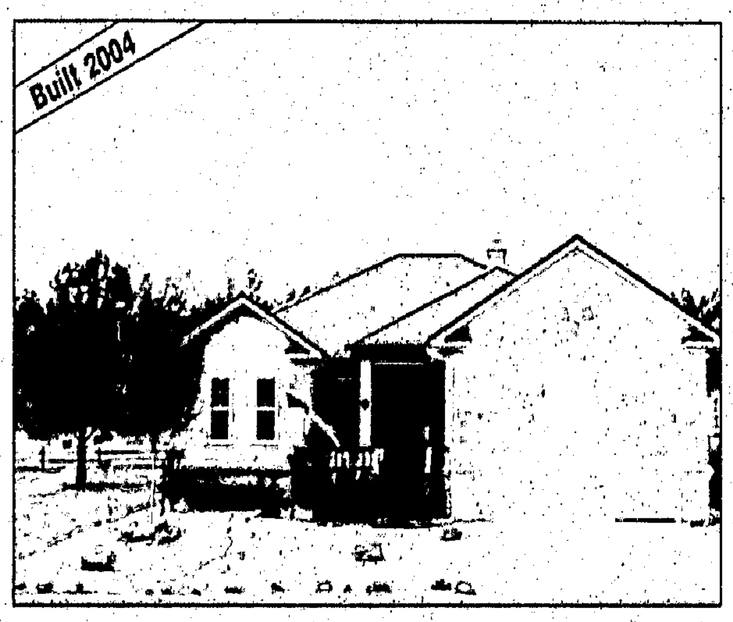
CHARMING STUCCO HOME WITH SIERRA BLANCA VIEW!

This super 3 br., 2 ½ ba. mountain home has lots of style and character. Great lot. Double garage and gas fireplace. Sit on the deck and enjoy a fabulous Sierra Blanca view! **$299,500**. #16494



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

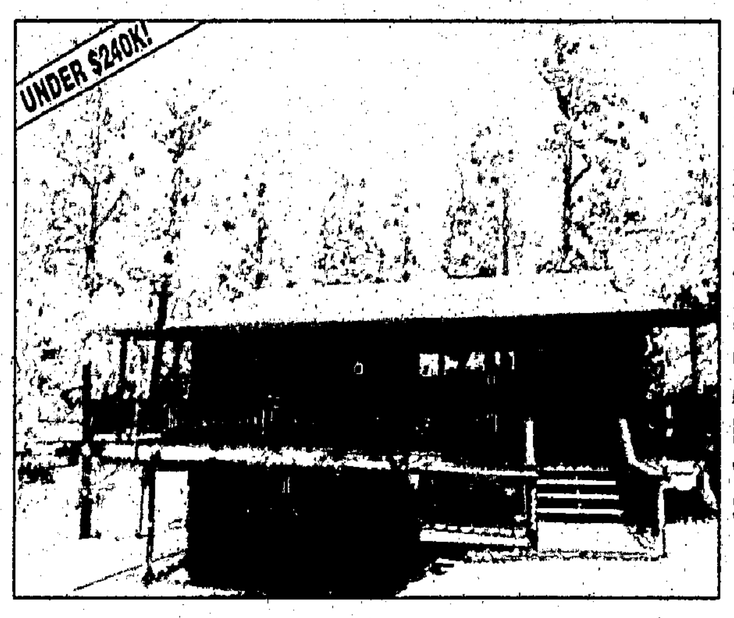
Overlooking the meadow is this great 3 br., 2 ba. with custom features and a wonderful deck for summer evening grilling and enjoying the mountain air. 2 car garage, fenced back yard, and lovely kitchen. Great location too! **$259,500**. #16380

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

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



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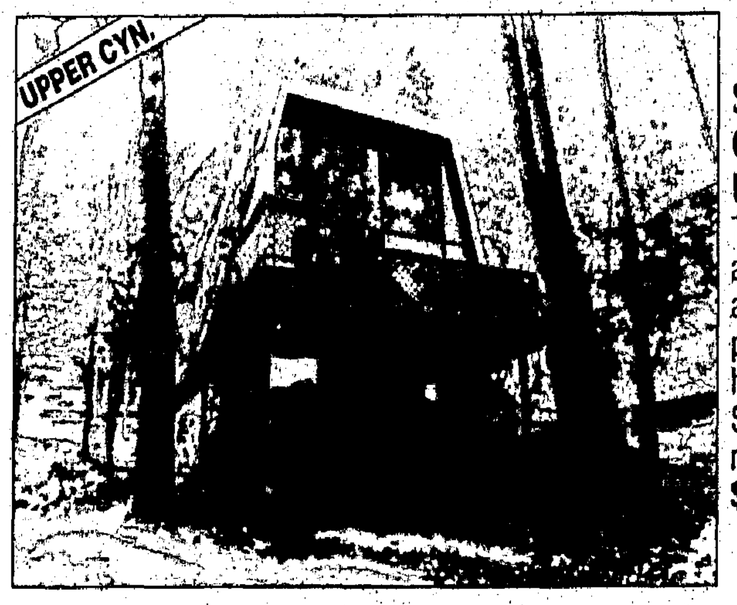
This 2 br., 2 ba. home has a lovely location and is beautifully remodeled. You'll love the open - concept, one - level plan that is enhanced by this fresh re-do. Great porch for enjoying our beautiful mountain climate. Very desirable! Easy Access. **$190,000**. #17956



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CONTEMPORARY MTN. HOME ON APPROX. 3/4 ACRE

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This manufactured home has 2 super add-ons, a large den with a built-in fireplace plus a bonus room! Relax in the hot tub on the back patio. Ample storage & workshop area. **$119,500** #18086

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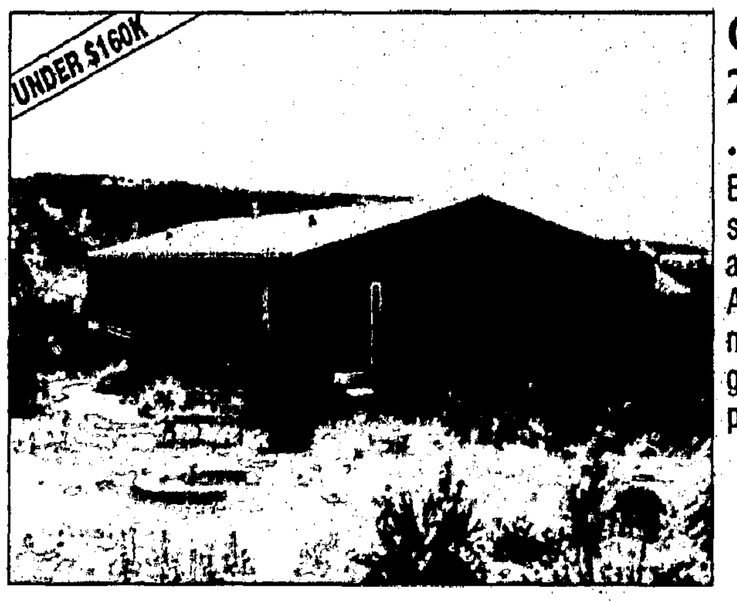
Enjoy the sounds of Perk Canyon Creek while relaxing or cooking out on the deck. Easy access. Great for permanent residence or vacation getaway. Surrounded by beautiful tall pines! **$169,500**. #18060



GREAT 3 BR., 2 BA. HOME ON .377 ACRES!

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ENJOY A BEAUTIFUL MOUNTAIN HOME ON 1-LEVEL!

This well-priced 3 br. home sits on .37 acres and has an enchanting deck for enjoying the pristine mountain scenery. 2 fireplaces create a cozy ambiance, and it's furnished too! A perfect choice at a super price! **$215,000.** #18317

CHARMING ONE-LEVEL ON CREE MEADOWS!

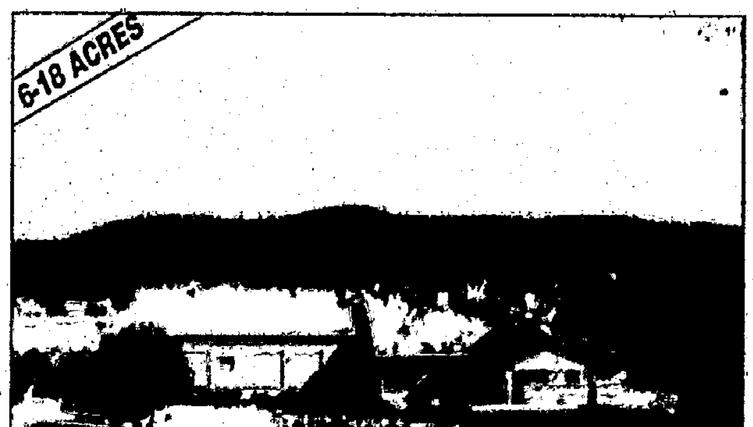
This 3 br., 2 ba. home is centrally located in a super neighborhood. Fenced back yard, great front porch, and golf course views! Custom crown molding adds a really nice touch to interior. **$315,000.** #16825

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

SUNSET CANYON LODGE OOZES RUIDOSO CHARM!

Excellent midtown location. Close to shopping, and art galleries. Cabin-style rooms and suite w/ hot tub area & barbeque. Across from River Crossing on Sudderth. Opportunity knocks! **$420,000.** #18006



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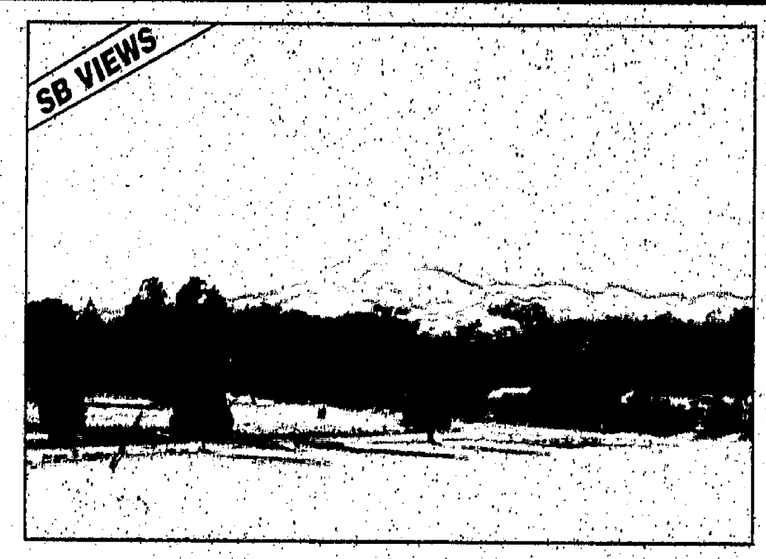
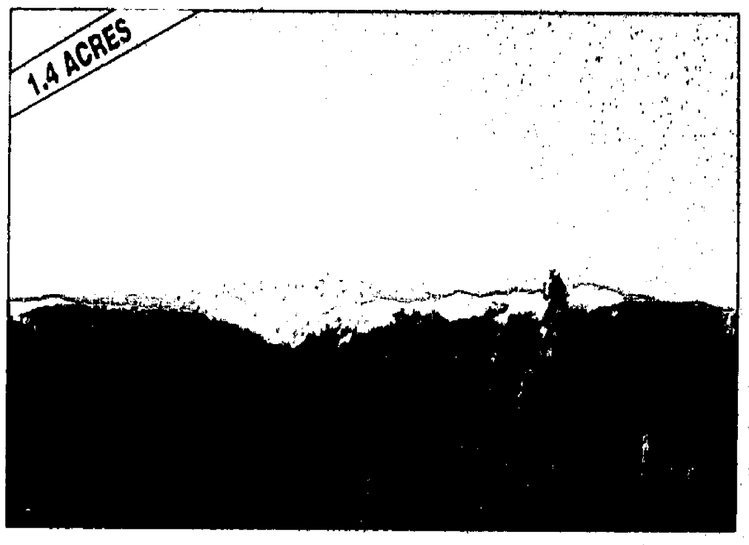
NICE BUILDABLE REGULAR GOLF MEMBERSHIP LOT

Alto Village. Approx. 1/3 acre. Wooded & valley views. Buyer to verify utilities. **$36,500.** #18274



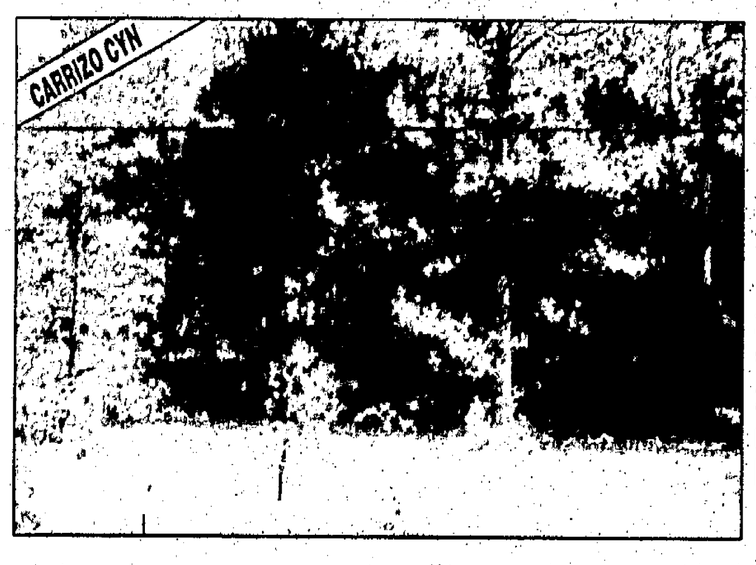
VERY NICE BUILDING LOT W/ SIERRA BLANCA & VALLEY VIEWS

Buyer to verify utilities. Adjacent lot also available. **$69,500.** #18346



GREAT LOT W/ HUGE PANORAMIC SIERRA BLANCA VIEWS

Approx. 1.4 acres. City water & sewer available. Private & treed! **$194,500.** #17568



COMMERCIAL (C1) LOT LOCATED ON CARRIZO CANYON RD

Property falls within ET zone. Buyer needs to verify all utilities and zoning with ETZ commission. Great priced lot. **$49,500.** #16135

BEAUTIFUL WOODED LOT

On corner of Westbury and Westminster. Big valley view possibilities, Buildable. Buyer to verify all utilities. **$39,500.** #15424

SIERRA BLANCA VIEW LOT

with full golf membership! Lake view also. Buyer to verify all utilities! **$89,500.** #18354

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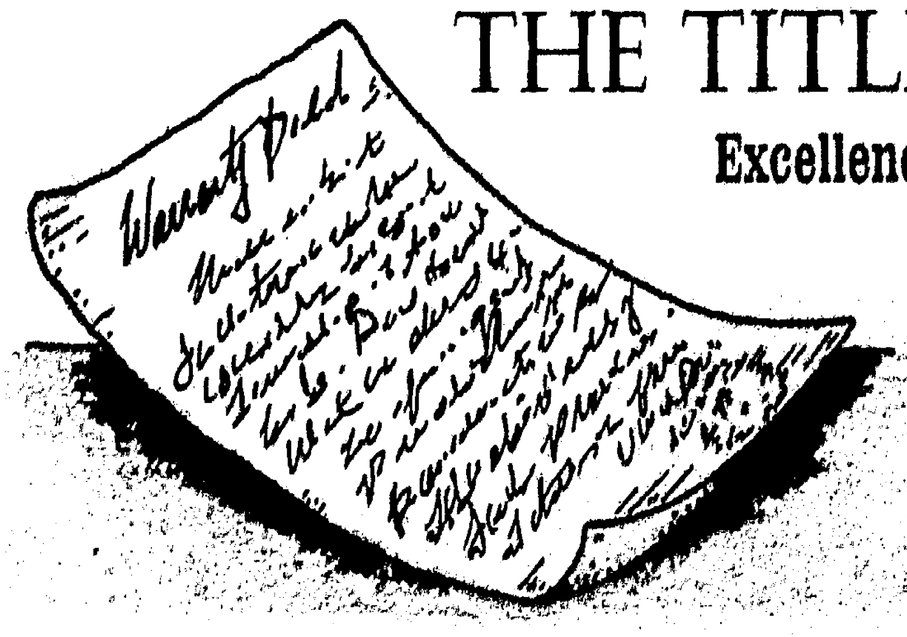

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