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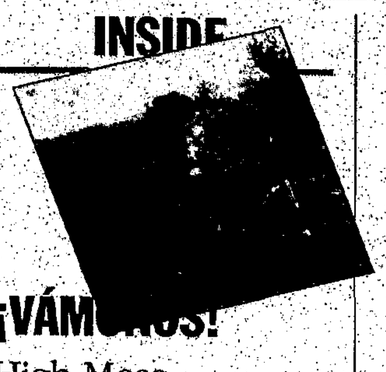

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WITH STATE PLEDGE OF $2.5 MILLION, ABOUT TWO-THIRDS OF THE AMOUNT NEEDED TO FUND EXPANSION OF THE REGIONAL WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT IS ACCOUNTED FOR

About $23.2 million down and only $11.8 million to go in the quest by officials of Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs to find money for a new regional wastewater treatment plant.

Ruidoso village councilors were advised by e-mail from Hubert Quintana, executive director of the Southeastern New Mexico Economic Development District, that after lengthy negotiations with legislators and the governor, an agreement was reached for the state to furnish $2.5 million this year toward the $35 million plant rehabilitation. Deputy Village Manager Bill Morris placed the number at $2,450,000.

During a workshop on the plant Tuesday, Ruidoso councilors also discussed the reorganization of the Joint Use Board that governs the plant and the possibility of hiring a project manager to represent the interests of the two municipalities during the design and construction phase. (See story, page 5A.)

The partners have no choice. They are under a court order from a settlement with Forest Guardians, and under the gun from the New Mexico Environment Department and federal Environmental Protection Agency to reduce the amount of phosphorous and nitrogen the plant discharges into the Ruidoso River as a requirement of its operational permit.

They were told by Village Attorney Dan Bryant, former attorney for Ruidoso Downs and involved with the plant prior to the imposition of new standards, that design could take a year and construction may not begin until August 2008.

In his e-mail, Quintana wrote that the $2.5 million allocation called for Ruidoso to bear 85 percent of the financial burden and Ruidoso Downs to cover 15 percent, tied to division of responsibility based on estimated usage by each municipality. Ruidoso Downs officials have questioned the percentages, arguing that when Ruidoso took on three enterprises of the Mescalero Apache

See **PLANT**, page 5A

BOOT-SCOOTIN'

COURTESY KATHLEEN MCDONALD

Marc and Lori Stewart of Ruidoso cut the rug at the post-performance dance party in the Spencer lobby last Thursday for *Urban Cowboy – the Musical.*

Weather advisory issued

■ Rain potential raises flooding concerns

FROM REPORTS

A chance of rain is forecast for Friday, and if it materializes as rain, not snow, on Sierra Blanca Peak, flooding at lower elevations could result.

That was the concern Thursday afternoon of Village Emergency Manager James McCarthy.

Shortly after McCarthy voiced that scenario, the *Ruidoso News* received an email at 3:19 p.m. from Lincoln County Manager Tom Stewart.

It read, in full:

"The State Emergency Operations Center called to indicate that they are concerned for tomorrow afternoon's [Friday's] weather.

"The current forecast for Lincoln County reads scattered showers, then showers and thunderstorms likely afternoon. Some storms could be severe, with large hail and damaging winds.

"Mostly cloudy, with a high near 62. South wind between 5 and 10 mph. Chance of precipitation is 70 percent. State EOC indicated that this situation could worsen."

Village sorting through ramifications of salary restructuring

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RECENT RAISES HAVE CREATED SOME INEQUITIES IN THE PAY SCALE, COUNCIL SAYS

In adjusting Ruidoso municipal employee salaries to 100 percent of the minimum for comparable communities earlier this month, some situations of salary inequities were created, village councilors acknowledge.

But they asked employees Tuesday to exercise some patience to allow the new village manager Dan Higgins, who reports for work in six days, time to review the salary structure and correct those situations.

They directed department heads to list inequities they see for Higgins' review, but took immediate corrective action to reinstate shift differential pay that affected police dispatchers and employees at the municipal airport and solid waste department.

Village Attorney Dan Bryant explained that while increasing the pay of non-emergency employees who fell under the 100 percent mark, others among the 84 general employees who already were earning at the mark or better were not moved, causing "compression."

When other pay factors are figured in and the number of salary "steps" is reduced, as recommended by a salary consultant, that compression will be eliminated, he said.

See **SALARY**, page 5A

Hearing set on nuclear proposal

DEANNA CHENEY
For the Ruidoso News

Would visitors headed to Ruidoso from Texas via Highway 380 be "put off" by the prospect of driving past a nuclear fuel reprocessing plant to get here? Would perceptions about southeastern New Mexico as a tourist destination change in the event nuclear waste is transported to and from the area, stored and recycled here?

See **NUCLEAR**, page 7A

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DANCING BEAR

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The 'Green Bridge'

Nearly seven years of effort to find money to disassemble and move The Green Bridge from Hondo Valley to a museum in Las Cruces is about to pay off, says Lincoln County Manager Tom Stewart.

"A contract is in the process of being awarded for the movement of the Green Bridge to the New Mexico Farm and Ranch Heritage Museum," he told county commissioners Tuesday. "The bridge was first built in 1902 and moved to its current location in 1944."

Craig Massey with the museum said the bridge that provided passage from one side of the Hondo River to the other for decades, will be reassembled to span the Tortugas Arroyo, which winds through the 47-acre museum site and now divides the north and south portions of the museum campus.

ESA Construction, Inc., of Albuquerque and El Paso was awarded the contract to dismantle, transport and reconstruct the bridge, he said. Work is expected to begin in mid-April at the bridge site near Picacho.

The removal of the bridge is projected to take about two weeks and the reassembling and re-erecting should be completed by the fall, Massey said.

"Since 1989, the bypassed, rusted bridge rested in the shadow of a modern, concrete bridge," he said. "At the museum, New Mexico's second-oldest highway bridge will be preserved and put to good use. It also will be a centerpiece for the interpretation of rural transportation in New Mexico.

"The bridge is a single Pratt through-truss span that was originally part of the three-span Pecos River Bridge east of Roswell.

"It was constructed in 1902 by Chaves County at a time when local governments were responsible for road and bridge development. The bridge and road leading to it were substantially damaged in flooding in 1937, leading to the opening of the modern U.S. Highway 380 in 1938."

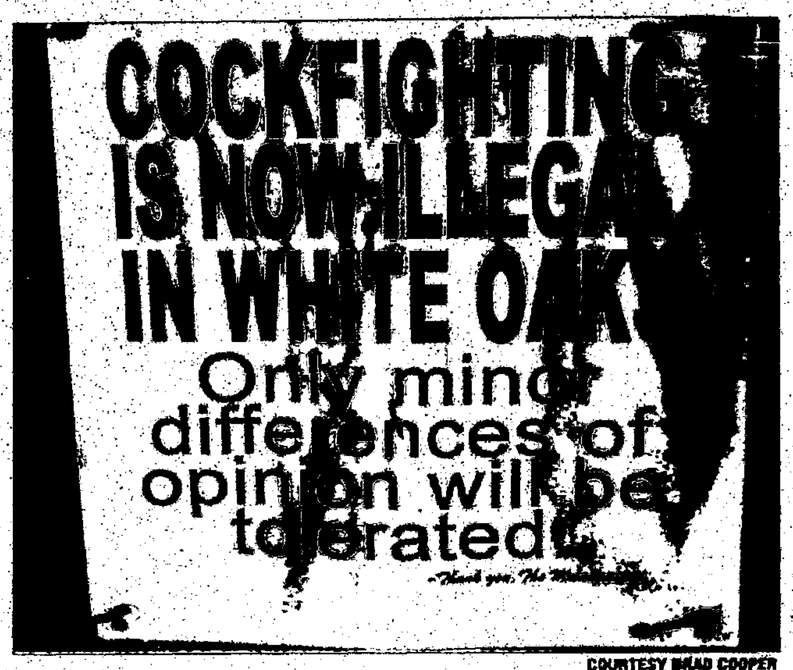
Following a common practice of the time, the State Highway Department acquired two spans of the bridge from Chaves County to relocate them to smaller secondary roads elsewhere in the state, he said. One of the spans was moved 47 miles west to a Lincoln County road outside of Picacho.

"The 1944 project also completely dismantled the remaining two spans and moved the components to Roswell, where they have become lost to history," Massey said.

After the new Rio Hondo Bridge at Picacho was cleaned, re-decked with wood and asphalt and painted graphite green, local residents began referring to it simply as the "Green Bridge," Massey said.

The bridge remained in use until 1989, when it was fenced off and declared a historic structure.

In 1997, and by then in disrepair, the bridge was listed on the New Mexico Register of Cultural Properties.



COURTESY BRAD COOPER

Sign o' the times: This poster was photographed recently near the No Scum Allowed Saloon in White Oaks.

Flag memorial

Members of the Ruidoso Evening Lions Club will display a line-up of American flags at The Lincoln Tower on Mechem Drive Saturday in honor of Steven Chavez, a Marine from Hondo Valley who died last week in a non-combative incident in Iraq.

His funeral service is 10 a.m. Saturday, at the Hondo Schools.

"We're asking others to do the same," said member Tom McElligott.

Last Saturday, Stacy Hamilton noticed while at the Alto Lakes Golf and Country Club that the flag there was flying at half-mast in honor of Chavez.

"My son did his tour in Iraq for the Air Force and was there when they caught Saddam," she said. "My son made it back to San Angelo safely. I love America and totally support our military and our president. I pray for him daily."

Chavez will be interred Saturday at St. Jude's Catholic Church in San Patricio.

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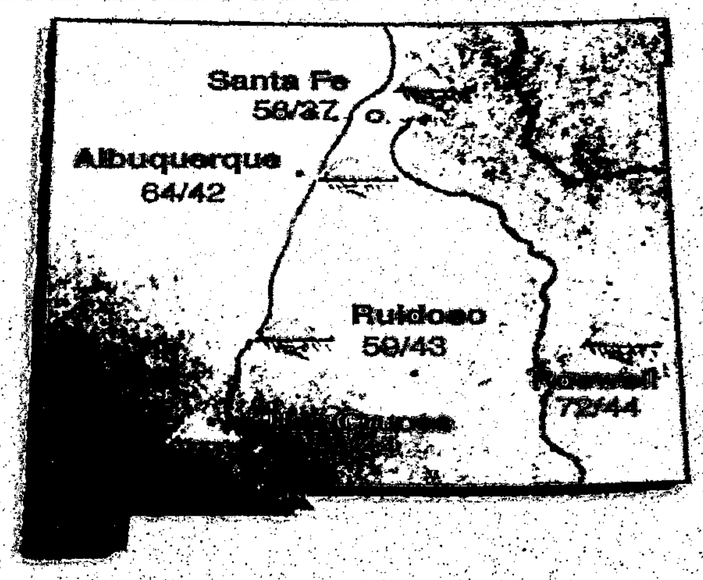

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UV Index

Fri 3/23 High
Sat 3/24 Very High
Sun 3/25 Very High

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	71	43	t-storm	Grants	59	33	t-storm	Santa Fe	56	37	t-storm
Albuquerque	64	42	t-storm	Guymon, OK	77	47	t-storm	Santa Rosa	70	45	t-storm
Carlsbad	74	46	t-storm	Hobbs	72	53	t-storm	Silver City	49	29	mixed
Chama	51	33	t-storm	Las Cruces	68	44	t-storm	Socorro	67	42	t-storm
Clovis	70	44	t-storm	Las Vegas	59	36	t-storm	St. Johns, AZ	65	36	t-storm
Deming	66	38	t-storm	Lordsburg	65	39	t-storm	Taos	61	33	t-storm
El Paso, TX	72	46	t-storm	Lubbock, TX	71	55	t-storm	Trinidad, CO	62	42	rain
Espanola	56	35	t-storm	Odessa, TX	69	57	t-storm	Truth or Consq.	62	42	t-storm
Farmington	65	37	cloudy	Raton	63	38	t-storm	Tucson, AZ	66	47	t-storm
Gallup	61	32	t-storm	Roswell	72	44	t-storm	Tucumcari	69	42	t-storm

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond	City	Hi	Lo	Cond	City	Hi	Lo	Cond
Atlanta	78	51	mst sunny	Houston	80	63	cloudy	Phoenix	75	57	t-storm
Boston	57	35	rain	Los Angeles	72	54	mst sunny	San Francisco	72	48	sunny
Chicago	55	40	cloudy	Miami	81	68	rain	Seattle	54	49	rain
Dallas	77	62	t-storm	Minneapolis	56	35	rain	St. Louis	67	56	rain
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'Good save': Response helps snuff Rancho Ruidoso fire

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The fast response and effective firefighting of members of the Bonito Volunteer Fire Department resulted in "a really good save," Wednesday.

Mike Monroe, public information officer for the department, said flames were spotted about 4:30 p.m., in a large home with an Olympic-sized swimming pool owned by Bill Burgess in the Rancho Ruidoso area.

Firefighter Robbie Hall reported to Monroe that the major difficulty was pinpointing the fire once firefighters gained entry into the house, because of its square footage.

"They could see flames (outside), but once they were in the house, it was so big they had trouble narrowing it down," Monroe said Thursday.

After firefighters found the fire, which started from electrical wiring in a utility "chase," a channel in a wall, leading to the roof, it didn't take long to extinguish, he said. Crews cleared the site at 8:30 p.m.

"They checked it all night," Monroe said. "(Hall) said the fire didn't reach the living quarters. But with a house like that, the dollar estimate on damage still will be fairly high.

"Only smoke damage occurred in the main living area, but they had to cut into the roof to get to the fire."

Seven units of Bonito firefighting equipment and about 20 volunteers responded to the blaze, he said.

The house, a sprawling structure that sits on the side of a mountain overlooking Little Creek valley and used to include a silo-like structure, is considered a landmark for the settlement of homes in the valley, a resident said.

The home was designed by Burgess and built in the late seventies with 13 bedrooms and baths, two complete kitchens on the main floor, more living quarters below ground and a swimming pool down the middle of the home, according to neighbors.

The house was updated last year.

Smoke is visible from a house fire in Rancho Ruidoso Wednesday. Roof and smoke damage were reported, but there were no injuries.

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Planning & Zoning helps pave way for new middle school

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Plans for a new middle school on Warrior Drive advanced two more steps with a recommendation from Ruidoso Planning and Zoning commissioners for approval of annexation and initial zoning by the village council.

Commissioners Tuesday delivered the approvals requested by officials with the Ruidoso Municipal School District on a 55.13 acre site across from Ruidoso High School.

Annexation would move the school into the village limits and provide village services. Initial zoning would be residential-single family, within which schools are a conditional use. After those two issues are resolved, the district must apply for a variance and a conditional use for a school in a residential zone, said Village Planner Darrell Bremner.

Traffic, water and the imposition of impact fees remained unresolved issues that officials on both sides agreed need to be discussed by a committee composed of village and school representatives.

Water pressure from High School Well is not sufficient to provide fire fighting capabilities. To increase pressure, another line may be required from the village's Gavilan storage tank, Bremner stated.

"Applicant's proposal for annexation of this lot into the village doesn't describe any benefit to the village," Bremner wrote in his summary to the commission before the vote. "The annexation would allow applicant to obtain village services. If (the council) had not decided to stop extending utilities into the county, it is unlikely that this application would have been made. Approval of the annexation creates a precedent that allows other lots contiguous to the village and without adequate water to also petition for annexation under the same conditions."

Allowing annexation will further strain the village's water supply that is inadequate to meet residents' needs without rationing at certain times of the year, Bremner pointed out.

For the school to receive water service, water rights or an arrangement for payment by the school district for water rights should be structured, he wrote. The applicant proposes that the village council waive the requirement to bring in water rights based on a previous agreement for lease of water rights signed by the two entities.

"There needs to be an expert decision if there are adequate provisions for water rights," Bremner wrote. School officials say they will supply all water for non-domestic use.

The annexation agreement filed with the petition states the district will pay water and sewer taps or connection fees as lines are connected to the systems.

"There is no mention of impact fees, which other types of development pay," Bremner wrote. "The school district is required to pay impact fees."

Traffic patterns to manage school buses and private cars delivering students at the high school and middle school also need some review and solutions, he said.

"Warrior Drive already is busy at the start and end of the school day and during commute times," he wrote. "Gavilan Canyon is a county road in this section. The school district reportedly is proposing to access the site from Gavilan across U.S. Forest Service land. No calculations of existing or new traffic volumes have been provided to allow analysis of the adequacy of the existing streets."

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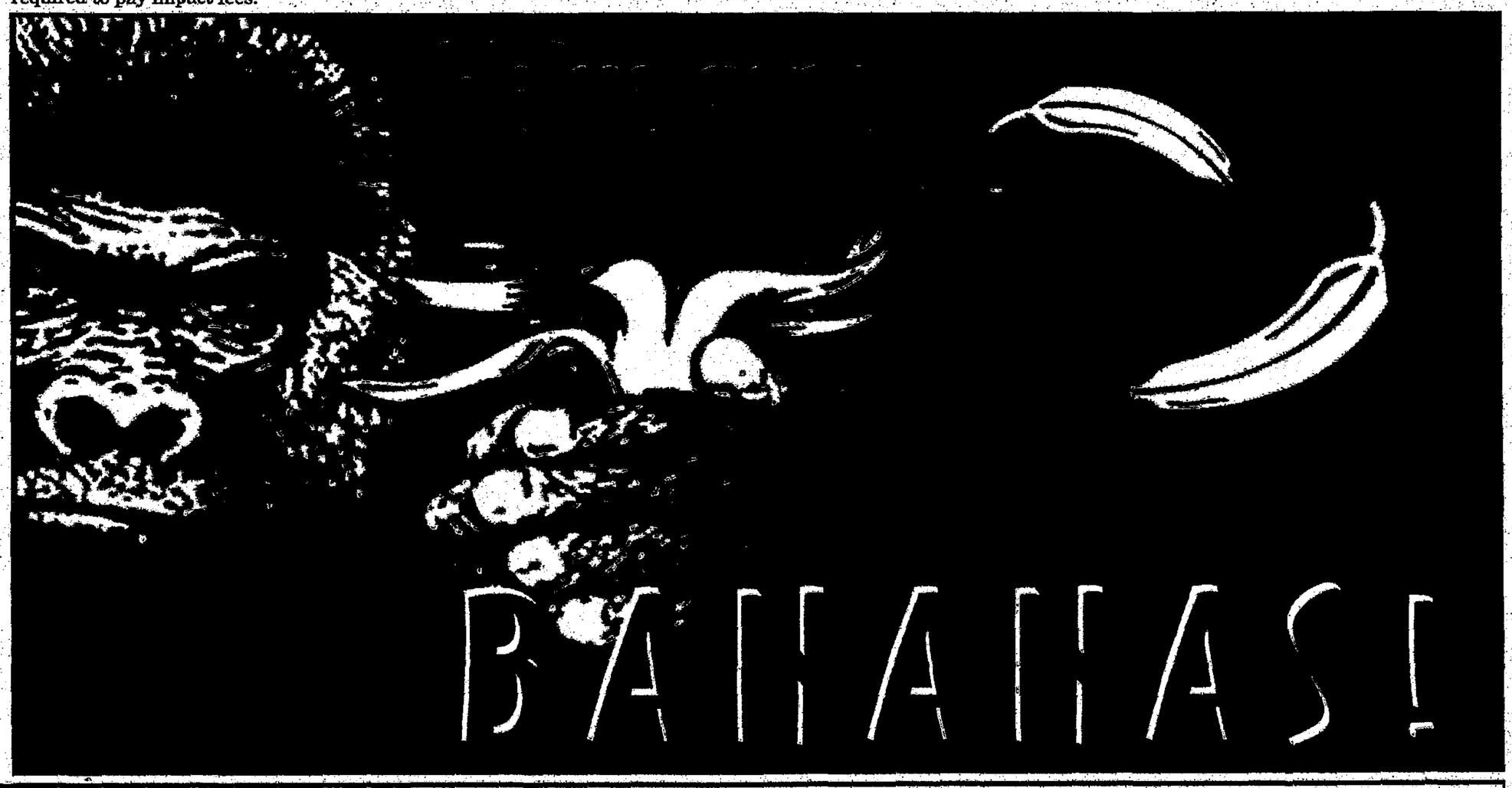

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OUR OPINION

Downs' complaint appears legitimate

Questions over billing charges must be resolved

Make no mistake, Ruidoso Downs is in a real uproar regarding its share of operating costs for the Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant.

And the thrust of the city's ire is directed at both the Village of Ruidoso and – perhaps even more so – the Mescalero Apache Tribe. Beyond those entities, the Joint Use Advisory Board that oversees the treatment plant operation is no small irritant.

Judging by the numbers, it appears the Downs has a legitimate complaint.

Though "flow volumes" to the plant from Mescalero and Ruidoso Downs are similar, according to Downs City Manager John Waters, comparison billing by the Village of Ruidoso between October 2005 and February 2007 indicates Mescalero paid a low of about $3,000 per month and a high of $7,000, while commensurate figures for the Downs were $10,000 and $30,000.

This translates to high sewer rates. According to the New Mexico Environmental Department, Ruidoso Downs' residential rates for 2005 were 24th highest in the state (out of 102 communities surveyed). Commercial sewer rates were 9th highest. (Ruidoso's rates for the same period were 42nd and 37th highest, respectively.)

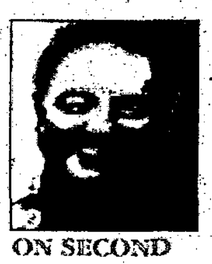
What's more, the Downs suspects that, because its billing jumped the year following the tribe's addition to the system, it is in fact subsidizing the tribe's addition. Further, that rate adjustment, says the city, was made by the Village of Ruidoso without prior approval by the JUAB.

Meanwhile, the Downs continues to gather data it hopes will lead to a more equitable system. Stay tuned.

The big picture sees Steven Chavez as a hero

I didn't know Steven Chavez, the young Hondo soldier who gave his life for his country in Iraq earlier this month.

But I did know him. I knew him as Rudy Salazar, a kid I went to high school with in California in the 1960s. A kid everybody liked – a wiry, athletic kid with whom I played basketball in pick-up games on the outdoor asphalt courts with bent rims and rusted chain nets and maybe saw in a classroom or two.



ON SECOND THOUGHT
MARTY RACINE

A kid who never returned alive from the rice paddies of Vietnam.

So it is in all wars, to go into harm's way for a cause as determined by others, whether the soldier was drafted or joined with missionary fervor. And so it is that no war is completely understood in its time. No cataclysm can fully be measured until history has its say, places it in the context of human events that shapes nations and provides destiny within the delicate, complex chess match of international gamesmanship.

Prior to history's verdict our hearts return again and again to the Rudy Salazars and the Steven Chavezes, seeking to know they lived and died with purpose; what more can one ask of a life, as Chavez writes in his letter to home [printed in Wednesday's *Ruidoso News*], than to be proud of one's choices? To be certain of one's direction? To serve community and country? To act with honor and feel a belonging?

Is there a higher calling? The only thing more, I suppose, is to be given 80 or 90 years, not 20, to allow all that maturity to ripen and become wisdom.

In the county's memorial Tuesday in commission chambers, County Manager Tom Stewart talked about the Monday morning quarterbacks who, regarding Iraq, might question our country's strategy, intelligence, funding and any number of "applicable" issues.

None of this second-guessing – and in Washington today it's all about second-guessing – takes anything away from Steven Chavez. For it is a man who signed up, accepted the code, pledged his word and donned that uniform – voluntarily and with pride and conviction. And it is a man who takes the truth and certainty of that commitment to the hereafter, to rest in peace. No political accounting erases that.

Back among the civilians, we may debate the war's merits. It is the kind of internal debate, a national dialogue if you will, that should have played out well before we bombed another country and sparked what has degenerated into a civil war.

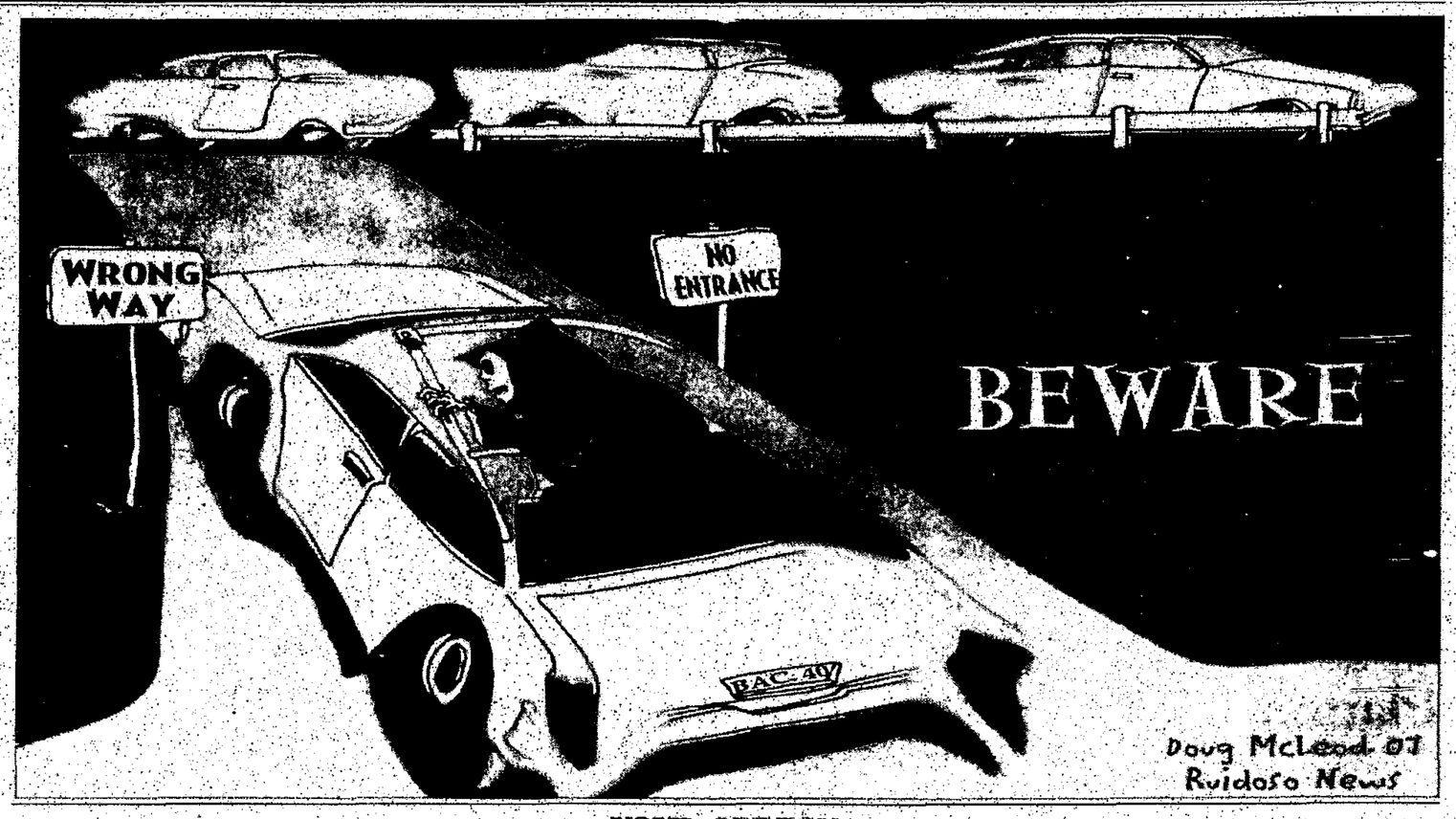
We as a nation, through our elected representatives and with the guidance of a 24/7 TV media pried loose from its obsession with Laci Peterson, might have forged a common and noble goal, might have agreed on a reason and a purpose, might have envisioned an exit strategy.

We might have done all this as skeptical yet true patriots, and then Congress might have declared war, however archaic and chivalrous the practice has become, and turned loose the military to get the "job" done.

We might not have gone into Iraq at all. We might have focused on Iran, or more vigorously on Osama Bin Laden.

Such is hindsight. Next time, if we are paying attention, if we do our homework, if we question our leaders, maybe the world won't seem so simplistic, so black-and-white, so either-or as painted by those with the authority to send young men into battle.

And if ultimately we are a wiser, thus safer, people in the larger war on terrorism, history will count Steven Chavez among our heroes.



YOUR OPINION

Why a special session when the governor leaves?

To the editor:

Dear Governor Richardson:

ON BEHALF OF THE People of the State of New Mexico, we request that you return to New Mexico, or in the alternative, that you advise the legislature of your future travel plans so that we may schedule a mutually convenient time for *your* Special Session.

Your Proclamation states that our citizens deserve and expect that public servants act in a manner that is honest and honorable-we quite agree.

However, we do not agree with your statement that issues critical to the economic health, welfare and public safety of New Mexico have arisen since the conclusion of the regular session.

If such issues had indeed arisen in the past four days, no honest and honorable Executive would have left the state. We are aware that your schedule is hectic but we also know that you do not intend to abdicate your responsibilities to New Mexico.

We feel that the Executive and Legislative branches worked very well together over the last 60 days-let's not destroy the progress we've made.

The public is furious the Senate has gone home while the House sits idle, costing the taxpayers God only knows how much.

Our citizens are also aware that there is no real need for this Special Session, and they blame you as well as us.

Please comply with our request so we can continue to work together for the good of New Mexico

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Taylor, Republican Floor Leader
Dan Foley, Republican Whip
Anna Crook, Republican Caucus
Billy Gupton, Deputy Chief of Staff for House Republican Leadership

Vote no on Spaceport tax

To the editor:

THE SPACEPORT SUPPORTERS are perpetuating a myth that if the Doña Ana County voters don't vote for the regressive gross receipts tax increase, there will be no spaceport.

Read the Regional Spaceport District Act of 2006 – it clearly states that if the tax is defeated "other financial resources will have to be identified."

The Spaceport Act of 2006 is an abomination. It is ill-conceived, poorly written and puts the unfair tax burden on three counties – Doña Ana, Sierra and Otero – while the spaceport benefits all the counties of New Mexico.

The idea originally was to implement a 1/16 percent increment in all counties. The state legislature's politicians decided that a 1/2 percent GRT should only be enacted in the three counties.

We should vote NO to this inequitable GRT that affects low and fixed income families as well as local businesses.

The spaceport will not be eliminated. Governor Richardson, who campaigns for President based partly on the establishment of a spaceport in New Mexico, has to support a new financial package to build the spaceport infrastructure if we vote against this terrible tax.

The state legislature can then approve prudent and fair financing before the Dec. 31, 2008 deadline.

Greg Lennes
Las Cruces

BRAD COOPER LINCOLN LOGS

Multitasking covers a multitude of scams

Maybe it's something in the genes. Maybe it's a guy thing. Some people multitask, others just won't leave one thing at a time alone.

In its most basic form, it's chewing gum and walking.

More complex, it's a relationship art that still-married men have perfected. I, for instance, can watch TV and listen to my wife. I can work with power tools and listen to my wife. I can read and listen to my wife.

I can check my email and listen to my wife. I can drive and listen to my wife. I can sleep and listen to my wife. And all the time I'm bright enough to know that I need to be prepared to repeat her last sentence along with the preface: "What do you mean I wasn't listening? You said...."

We have this, like, 36-inch rectangular Sony (size does matter) TV that has the capability of projecting TWO large images side-by-side. It's not a picture-within-a-picture, it's actually two LARGE images.

This drives my wife nuts. Us multitaskers, though, find it of great use for weather and CSI at the same instant. The only other way to watch two games at one time would be to add more screens (hey, now there's a concept), but then I'd have to address the snake pit of connection cables to re-understand from where they came, and why they were going to where they go – all those video, audio, HD cables and cords behind my TV that somehow allow me to tap into 500 channels.

Recently, though, there's been this harsh realization that I'm not the world's best multitasker. I cannot use a cellular phone and drive at the same time. If God had intended that to be a natural act, he'd have had a cell phone and Blackberry.

Now this could have something to do with my upbringing. As kids, young boys would prepare themselves for eventually driving by sitting just about anywhere and pretending to pop the clutch and shift through the gears (along with the appropriate noises).

Maybe today's kids go through this simulation with a cell phone wedged at their ear and easily make the conversion to driving and talking and pecking at micro number pads.

It used to be that some people kept one long fingernail to scoop drugs to their nose. Now you need one in order to not push more than three numbers at a time on a cell phone.

I admit it, I should not phone and drive. I'm dangerous. I don't care that Albuquerque and Santa Fe are now hands-free zones because I'm not answering the cell phone anyway. Leave a message, I'll call you back.

I didn't have this problem drinking a beer and driving in frontier days, but one wasn't expected to have an intelligent conversion with a beer.

There's no way I could type a text message with my thumbs while driving. I'd turn myself in.

I should only phone and drive while in the one car (out of the three we own) that is not being driven at the time yet sits there fully insured, which brings us to the height of multitasking scams.

There are two drivers in the household and three cars (one's the back-up four wheel dr.. e which actually has to be used on some days). All three are insured to be driving around when only two of them could possibly be driven at the same time.

Why?

With two drivers in the household, can't I just pay to insure the two most expensive ones, and then when I'm driving the third one (and the other one is parked at home)...I'm covered?

Why not?

The potential for fraud, you say? Not with my new invention, the satellite interlock key system which only allows two of those three cars to start at the same time, and paid for by less than six months of savings by not insuring a car that is parked.

Or maybe the car you're driving calls an automated "On Star" kind of computer number and turns on its insurance while it's running. Cool. That's possible. I don't mind if my car makes a phone call while it's driving.

HA! Solved that problem, but I'm still going to get a bill from State Farm this month for insuring one car that sits there all day and does nothing.

I'm paying for it not to work.

It's a nice job if you can get it, but it's already taken.

BRAD COOPER is a syndicated columnist from White Oaks. In his next life he's going to come back as an insurance company.

PLANT

FROM PAGE 1A

Tribe as customers, the balance may have shifted. They contend the city unfairly pays for infiltration into the sewer lines that ends up being treated unnecessarily at the plant.

Quintana suggested stressing the regional nature of the plant with officials from the village and city appearing as one JUB unit, instead of giving separate presentations. That change could boost the amount of money allocated to the plant construction in next year's 30-day legislative session.

"The regional nature of the facility, the actual location of the facility and the similarity in the names of the communities has in my three legislative sessions working on Capital Outlay caused great confusion," he wrote. He proposed a meeting between officials of the two communities, the economic development district and some legislators, "to see if we can come to an understanding for future funding requests for the (plant)."

A memorandum of understanding could be drafted between the partners, he said.

"My suggestion is that an agreement be struck that one application be submitted, perhaps with each community taking the lead in alternating years. I believe it will lead to more funding for the facility in the future," Quintana said.

Councilor James Stoddard noted that the next legislative session will be only 30 days.

"I think we seriously need to look at hiring someone to represent us well in advance of the session," he said..

"I thought for what we paid, we needed to have representation for us for longer than we got," Stoddard said of the $30,000 lobbying contract that covered four months from Dec. 1, 2006, to March 31, 2007, including the 60-day session of the state legislature.

Mayor L. Ray Nunley recalled that at least one councilor suggested hiring a full-time lobbyist to represent the village year-round and attend all related legislative meetings on the plant.

Quintana said the legislature provided an additional $325,000 for the village and $720,000 for the city toward the plant in the Capital Outlay Bill, bringing the total this session to $3,545,000. The municipalities previously received state and federal grants and each town passed bond issues to generate money toward the project. Morris said everything lumped together still leaves a $11,855,000 million shortage.

Nunley and village and city officials will visit Washington, D.C., next month in search of more dollars. Morris said an application is being readied for a U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Utilities grant. The last resort would be a 3 percent interest loan from the state.

Responding to a question from Councilor Ron Hardeman, Bryant said impact fees collected on new construction can be used for some of the cost because they relate to capacity and growth issues.

Ruidoso councilors advocate project manager for WWTP

While Ruidoso village councilors want a project manager on board to oversee design and construction of a $85 million regional wastewater treatment plant, they seem to agree the person should be employed by the board that governs the operation, not the village.

During a workshop Tuesday, several councilors said the position should be separate from a public works director, a job they are considering for the village to handle other projects.

Councilor Michele Rebstock said she would like a project manager on board during the "conceptual" phase of the plant design to represent the village and the City of Ruidoso Downs while an engineering firm is drawing up plans. The firm's fee is tied to the cost of the plant, removing incentives to keep costs down, she said.

Village Deputy Manager Bill Morris agreed that someone should be there during the design phase. Councilor Ron Hardeman reiterated that the project manager should be employed by the Joint Use Board that governs the plant. The board is composed of representatives from the village, from the city and from Lincoln County.

Councilor Greg Cory said, "I think that underscores the urgency of the (JUB) reorganization."

Councilors are pushing a JUB reorganization to reflect the village's 35 percent use and financial responsibility for the plant. Instead of this equal two for two representation of the village and the city of Ruidoso Downs.

They question if the county should have a representative, because it does not participate in the use of the plant. But some officials have warned the day may come when the county will be forced to become involved with the plant.

The workshop was called Tuesday in response to a request from Councilors Cory and James Stoddard for an update on the reorganization of the JUB.

Cory said the council was told by its JUB attorney that the reorganization would be in place by the end of last year. If that wasn't realistic, he would have appreciated notice, he said.

Morris told councilors that delays resulted with a change of attorneys and other issues.

He also updated them on a sewer rate study that he had scheduled for a first review April 3, but the date was canceled because several councilors could not attend. The sewer rates must be increased to cover the cost of repaying $12.6 million in revenue bonds authorized by village voters toward the plant project. City voters passed a $1.4 million bond issue for the same purpose to be repaid by property taxes in Ruidoso Downs.

Hardeman also asked if the time period for designing the plant could be shortened from the estimated one year ending in July 2008. Morris said engineers are telling him one year will be tight.

'Complex' process

He told Stoddard that staff is working on a request for proposals for a design-build approach to the plant, on a parallel track with a design-bid-build process. Advocates of the design-build contend completion time would be shortened and some expenses reduced, but the procedure is new to the village.

"It's very complex trying to capture all of the standards for a $85 million plant in one document," Morris said.

Stoddard said he received a response from a Chicago firm that uses both approaches in building treatment plants. A representative would be willing to come to Ruidoso to help councilors weed through the advantages and disadvantages, if the village would pick up travel expenses.

Stoddard said the firm's officials told him both design-build and design-bid-build approaches are valid, depending on circumstances.

Bryant said that only when they get to the "meat and potatoes" specifics of the approach can officials judge which is the best route. At some point, the JUB must hire consultants with background in the process to review the proposals and give an independent judgment on the viability, the attorney said.

Cory said he's a little frustrated.

"The council clearly stated the (plant) is the first priority, but the last time we talked abut it was Nov. 13," he said. "We need to be all over this thing. I'm not saying people aren't working on it, but we've not been told where we're at." He'd also like more council consensus-building meetings prior to JUB sessions, he said.

Bryant said the main hang-up centered on the strict new nitrogen standard recently imposed on the plant discharge into the Ruidoso River and negotiations with state and federal environment officials.

"Lots of experts are looking at how we can approach nitrogen in this environment," he said.

Members of the JUB and the two municipal councils will meet in a closed session at 2 p.m., April 11, at the Hubbard Museum of the American West in Ruidoso Downs. The closed session is allowed because of the litigation brought by the Forest Guardians demanding a reduction in phosphorus levels in the discharge to the river.

SALARY

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Councilor Angel Shaw said the special meeting on salaries was needed Tuesday because employees still were confused. Police officers and firefighters were given raises under previous separate action, then general employees were increased to the 100 percent of market range, and those employed by the village for at least one year received a 4 percent cost of living adjustment.

Deputy Village Manager Bill Morris said the administrative staff spent time last week meeting with employees to explain the council actions and handed out breakdowns to help them understand how they were affected.

Councilor Greg Cory said the intent of his motion last month for general employee pay increases was not to take anything away from anyone.

"It was to raise them to what they should be and to recognize service," he said.

Councilor Ron Hardeman said that also was his assumption.

Morris said no one's salary decreased.

But Police Chief Wolfgang Born said what happened with two of his dispatchers was that one just coming off probation ended up earning about 4 cents an hour less than another dispatcher with the department four years.

"The shift differential pay was taken away," he said. "The extra pay for degrees was taken away."

Bryant said Higgins will find a number of situations like that described by Born.

"Your motion didn't say to maintain a spread," he said. "I expect those kinds of things to be fixed by (Higgins)."

Councilors already issued a directive for Higgins to come back with recommendations for salary actions within 60 days after reporting for work, he pointed out.

Cory said, "We did not remove shift differential, education or certification." Hardeman said the shift differential should be corrected quickly "right here and now." Service credits also should be factored in, said Shaw.

"You're dealing with problems that grew over the years and are trying to fix it."

Dan Bryant
Village attorney

The council should review its policies on education and certification, but she couldn't find them in village personnel or management policies, Shaw said.

By the end of the meeting, the shift differential situation was corrected based on the intent of Cory's previous motion and direction from councilors.

Cory said his motion at a council meeting last month was meant to raise the base to the geographic average and apply a 4 percent COLA increase on top of that.

His second motion then authorized Higgins to deal with employees who already fell within the 100 percent range.

"But no one was to take a decrease in salary, period," he said.

Bryant responded that no one was decreased. They either received an increase or stayed the same. The shift differential was the only thing missing, he said.

George Polaco said while he's glad workers received increases, now he, as a five-year employee, is being paid 3 cents less an hour than a newer employee.

"That shouldn't happen," said Mayor L. Ray Nunley.

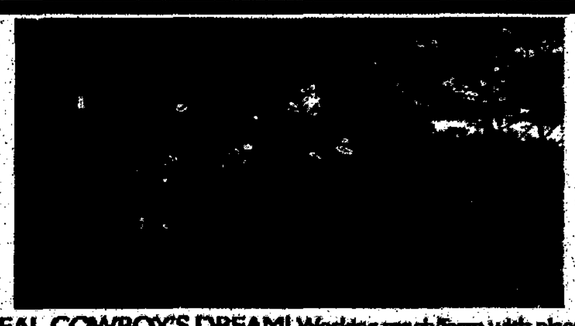
Bryant again emphasized that the council has not implemented all of the salary recommendations from the consultant.

"We identified those below minimum most in need, which created compression and in some cases by pushing them up and not moving everybody, created a few anomalies," the attorney said.

Councilor Michele Rebstock asked if the council could make up any pay deficiencies from those anomalies, but Bryant said the state doesn't allow retroactive pay.

"You're dealing with problems that grew over the years and are trying to fix it," he said.

The raises were to be applied to today's payroll.



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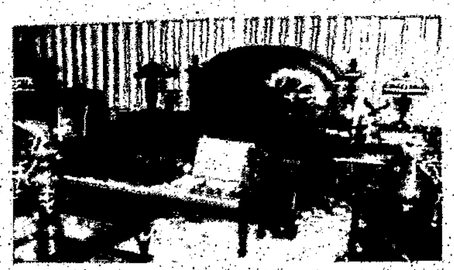

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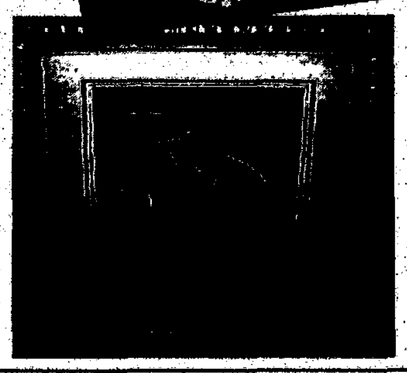

Ruidoso's retail landscape to get a bit more crowded

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Three new stores, including a furniture and appliance rental business, are slated for space on U.S. 70.

An amended commercial site development plan for an Aaron's Rental, an Auto Zone and a Dollar Tree received approval Tuesday from the Ruidoso Planning and Zoning Commission. The three stores will divvy up space in the former Safeway and Furr's grocery store building on a 2.61 acre tract.

Conditions tied to approval include creating three islands of plants in the parking lot. Commissioners granted a variance to reduce the number of parking spaces to accommodate the plantings, said Village Planner Darrell Bremner.

The approval was requested by ADA Ruidoso, LLC and applicant Ronnie Hemphill, managing partner.

At the same meeting, planning commissioners denied an amended commercial site development plan and variance on another commercial project containing a residential component.

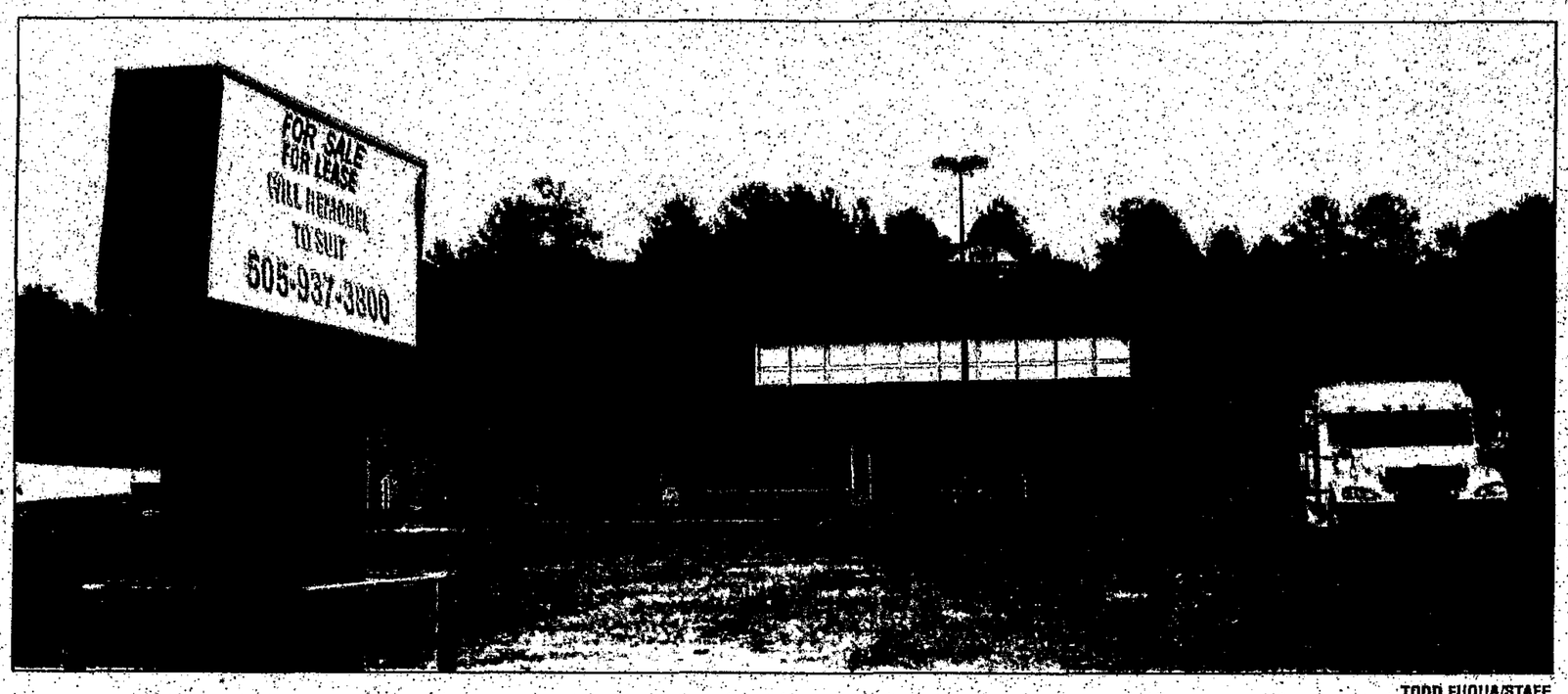
Pat Bonds of Dallas, Texas, can appeal the decision within 15 days to the village council. Bonds asked for approval of a proposal to add onto a building already existing on the 0.15 of an acre lot and to build a second structure with two stories. The first house would be converted to an antique shop after the second building is completed. Three parking spaces were proposed for the antique shop, but only one for the new house.

Bremner noted that enough space exists to move the building south and create a fifth parking space on the lot at 133 Carrizo Road.

Commission members indicated Bonds proposed too much development for the lot and that plans lacked adequate access for emergency vehicles, Bremner said. Variances were needed for inadequate setbacks from lot lines and for the driveway width.

In a third application, commissioners approved a variance for an inadequate property line setback, a conditional use for a residence in a commercial zone and an amended commercial site development plan requested by Jeffrey Kalista of Ruidoso for a structure at 110 Texas Street.

Kalista wrote that he wanted to add a garage for security, because items delivered by United Parcel Service on the porch have been stolen. He also planned a residential addition to the existing structure on the land zoned for neighborhood commercial use.



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Soon to be occupied is the old Furr's building on on U.S. 70 in Ruidoso. Aaron's Rental, Auto Zone and Dollar Tree each recieved approval from the village's Planning and Zoning Commission to build franchises in the space.

Gas prices marching ever-higher

Ruidoso prices checking in at about $2.50 a gallon

On the average, New Mexican motorists are paying 39.7 cents or 18.6 percent more for every gallon of regular unleaded gasoline compared to prices at the end of January 2007.

"Fuel prices will continue to gradually increase due to high crude oil prices, seasonal demand and pressure on fuel inventories from the production of cleaner-burning, warm-weather fuel," said AAA New Mexico's spokeswoman Jeannie Chavez. "Whether these factors will push gasoline to $3 per gallon in our region is unknown."

The current New Mexico statewide average of $2.527 per gallon is 4.8 cents more than last week and 7.1 cents more than a year ago. The national average of $2.551 is 3.4 cents more than last week and 15.8 cents more than last year.

California's average of $3.138 this week halts the twenty-one consecutive week trend of all states remaining below $3.00 per gallon. South Carolina has the lowest average of $2.358 per gallon.

Casa Alegre marks 15 years in business

Casa Alegre marked Thursday as its 15th year of service to disabled individuals in Ruidoso.

The business opened in 1992 and is committed to provide the finest personal services for individuals with developmental disabilities. Casa Alegre believes that individuals with developmental disabilities should be given the opportunity to flourish and reach their fullest potential to experience their lives fully.

The business has been accredited by an outside independent agency, CARF International, since 1995.

For more information regarding the programs offered by Casa Alegre, visit its office at 229 Rio Street or call 257-4672.

Mescalero project to receive Forest Service grant

Mescalero Forest Products on the Mescalero Apache Reservation abutting Ruidoso will receive $250,000, as one of five New Mexico projects selected for grants from a $1.2 million U.S. Forest Service allocation to help develop uses for woody biomass.

The award from the 2007 Woody Biomass Utilization Grant program was announced Wednesday by U.S. Sen. Pete Domenici (R-NM).

The New Mexico projects represent five of the 26 projects nationwide that were awarded grants. The projects are expected to improve conditions in New Mexico's national forests and improve the markets for re-utilization of the small-diameter material that is removed in the course of such improvements.

"I think it is absolutely vital that we maintain efforts to improve conditions in our national forest," Domenici said. "Through my work on the Energy Policy Act of 2005, I believe that in the process of doing so, we should explore ways to recycle the byproducts of this forest cleanup, and at the same time create jobs. I am pleased to announce that so many New Mexico projects will be the catalyst for such efforts in New Mexico's forests. I hope they will help lead the way in developing sound biomass use across the country."

Other New Mexico projects funded were:

- Olguin's Sawmill, Inc., El Prado, $250,000.
- Mt. Taylor Millwork, Inc., Milan, $250,000.
- Kuykendall and Sons, Tres Piedras, $250,000.
- Barela Timber management Co., Inc., Las Vegas, $225,000.

About $6.2 million was awarded nationwide as part of the Biomass Utilization program. The awards, ranging from $125,000 to $250,000, will receive at least 20 percent of matching funds by organizations and businesses in the vicinity of each respective project.

Minority Business Assistance Act heads to Governor

SANTA FE – The Senate passed Rep. Sheryl Williams Stapleton's (D-Albuquerque) bill that will create a program to mentor and assist small, minority-owned businesses in developing the practices, technical competence, accounting principles and governmental procurement that will allow them to compete in a modern business environment. HB 955a – Minority Business Assistance Act now heads to the governor.

"Minority business development in New Mexico continues to lag behind that of the rest of the state's economy," said Stapleton. "This bill will help develop the huge potential of minority businesses."

The bill seeks to extend the benefits of small business entrepreneurship to minority owners and communities in New Mexico. Under the legislation, experienced professionals will mentor small minority businesses to develop the necessary skills to become profitable. Those with minority ownership that employ less than 20 employees are eligible to participate.

The New Mexico Department of Labor will be responsible for seeking out mentors and developing an outreach and marketing program.

Promoters to sell state as place for world-class golf

New Mexico's golf and hospitality industries have joined forces to create a nonprofit alliance to promote New Mexico as a national golf-tourism destination.

The new entity, the New Mexico Golf Tourism Alliance, is being launched through the Sun Country Section PGA. It comprises representatives from the golf industry, the state's lodgers and convention and visitors bureaus.

The group's formation fulfills a promise New Mexico's golf industry made in 2005 to Gov. Bill Richardson to create a statewide organization to market golf in New Mexico.

A 2006 industry-funded study by NMSU pegged golf's statewide economic impact at more than $500 million a year. The study identified increasing rounds played by out-of-state visitors as the fastest way to boost room nights and associated lodgers' tax collections for local governments.

Already identified by the statewide alliance as regional golf-tourism "loops" likely to be promoted in packages to out-of-state players are Ruidoso, Las Cruces, Northern New Mexico, the Four Corners and the existing Golf on the Santa Fe Trail corridor in central New Mexico.

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✓ 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.
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Mosley: 'Leaking' well is actually a beneficial recharge

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The calls began pouring in as the water at Ruidoso's North Fork Wellfield flowed out of one of the well caps.

But the village water-wastewater director says the well isn't leaking. The water rushing out comes from an artesian effect caused by high recharge of the aquifer.

"The department received many calls about one of our wells having a major leak," Ken Mosley said Wednesday. "Just to let everyone know, the well is not running. These wells, North Fork #4, as well as North Fork #3, are now showing 'artesian' characteristics. Artesian means an underground water basin that is under a pressure greater than atmospheric pressure will rise above the ground surface if given the opportunity to do so.

"Currently, the underground water basin in the North Fork area has recharged so much that it is now under pressure and seeking a point of relief, and in this case, the pressure is being released through our NF #3 and NF #4 well heads."

Mosley said most of the area recharged to a point that dry creeks and springs are no longer dry.

"This is great, but I still encourage everyone to conserve water," he said. "The water department is very well aware that we have a leaking system. Our water department crews do an excellent job of repairing the leaks that are found. Unfortunately, leaks don't always surface, making it very difficult to find them. We are anticipating the award of a new project, 'Leak Detection,' that will give the water department information about the locations and size of leaks that are currently undetected.

"Once this project gets underway, I'm afraid our crews are going to be extremely busy until all of the leaks have been detected and repaired. After completion of this project, the Village should realize a significant difference (reduction) in the production rates."

Two months into 2007, water productions is running about the same as last year at the corresponding mark, according to a chart compiled by the water director for village councilors. For several consecutive years since water use restrictions were imposed, demand has decreased over a full 12-month period, Mayor L. Ray Nunley pointed out recently.

Still, Mosley said, "Every day is a great day to conserve."

COURTESY KEN MOSLEY

Water flows out of the North Fork well, prompting calls from concerned residents.

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How might the safety of residents, roadways and rail routes in Lincoln County be affected by such a development?

Answers to these questions and others may come Wednesday when proponents of a reprocessing center in Roswell visit Ruidoso to give an overview of plant plans as they relate to the president's Global Nuclear Energy Policy (GNEP).

The meeting is scheduled for 1 p.m. inside the Ruidoso Convention Center and is to include a PowerPoint presentation and question-and-answer session with site promoters Gandy-Marley, Inc. and EnergySolutions.

L. Ray Nunley, mayor of Ruidoso, said he will attend.

I don't know what all the parameters are on this project but would like to learn more," he said. "This is an important issue."

County Manager Tom Stewart said he looks forward to the presentation.

"If it's going in east of Roswell our concern is transportation routes and safety," Stewart said.

"As long as hazardous wastes are stored in Carlsbad at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant that's one thing. But when they start coming through our community, that's another."

Should Roswell be selected by the federal government as the site for the reprocessing of nuclear fuel, touted by nuclear advocates as "next generation technology," the county and communities located along transportation routes should see funding for highway and road improvements and for safety training, Stewart said.

At the same time, city administrators will want to plan ahead for dealing with public perception.

Steve Tally, Ruidoso's newly appointed director of tourism, said he plans to participate in next week's discussion and encourages operators of hospitality venues also to attend and to help advise his office.

"On initial blush I would be concerned about the tourism aspect of the proposal," he said."

Brad Treptow, director of the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce, said that while he offers no opinion on the efficacy of reprocessing nuclear fuel, what differentiates the Roswell proposal from WIPP is location.

"With Carlsbad, the plant is far enough off the main highway that I don't think tourists know it is there let alone think about it," Treptow told the *Ruidoso News*.

On the other hand, Treptow said new jobs for construction and operation of a plant could result in more visitors to Ruidoso out of Roswell.

Alan Dobson, a spent fuel management specialist with EnergySolutions, said up to 10,000 people may be employed in the design and construction of a nuclear fuel reprocessing plant with construction to last about six years beginning around 2010. Some 5,000 people may be employed to operate the plant, to be located 40 miles east of Roswell just off U.S. 380, ranging in pay from $40,000 in today's dollars to $100,000. He said the hiring of technical staff will require the relocation of many with higher educations and disposable income.

"This could be good for the entire economy of the region," Dobson surmised.

Jimi Gadzia, a former member of the state Environmental Improvement Board, said fuel reprocessing is government subsidized and expensive. He cautions, "Waste attracts waste" and is hazardous to the environment.

"Southeastern New Mexico is already on its way to getting the reputation of being the radioactive dumpsite of the nation because of waste disposal at WIPP and at Eunice," he said. In addition, taxpayers will foot the bill associated with reprocessing.

Already $1.1 million has been awarded to Gandy-Marley, Inc. for a site study in Roswell and an additional $250 million is to be funded this year by the federal government nationwide to conduct evaluations at 10 other prospective plant sites and to study further and float the GNEP concept.

Gadzia said Ruidosoans should question how much waste the Roswell site will take in from reactors not only in the U.S. but in Mexico and other partner countries, and how much water might be needed to operate the plant.

"The old process took 1 million acre feet of water per year," Gadzia alleges. "Where will the water come from for the new plant?"

According to the U.S. Department of Energy, spent nuclear fuel has been piling up at sites around the U.S. since the 1950s when the first reactors were built, and at last count totaled about 50,000 metric tons. The DOE has said at current levels that waste can be recycled to power America "carbon-free" for decades, perhaps even centuries to come, while at the same time minimizing amounts requiring disposal.

Mike Marley, a principal with Gandy-Marley, Inc., said that although his group is not required under the guidelines of their site study to engage Ruidoso in discussion, it has opted to do so as a courtesy. The Marley family ranches and farms in Chaves County and in Lincoln County near Hondo and Capitan. They lease acreage near Arabela.

Following the 1 p.m. informational meeting, site promoters will hold a 6 p.m. hearing at the Roswell Convention and Civic Center, where a transcriptionist will record remarks for the public record.

The DOE intends to announce its recommendation for location of the nation's "first" nuclear fuel reprocessing plant in summer 2008.

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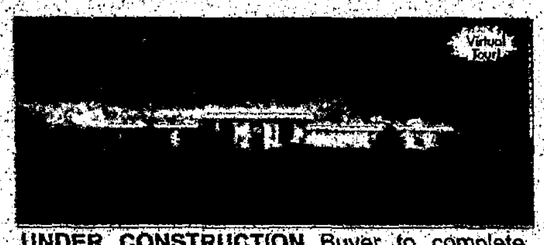

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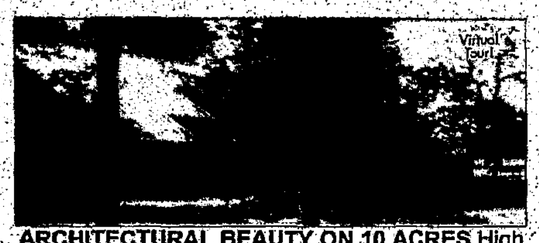

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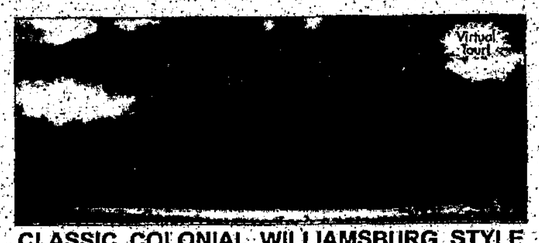

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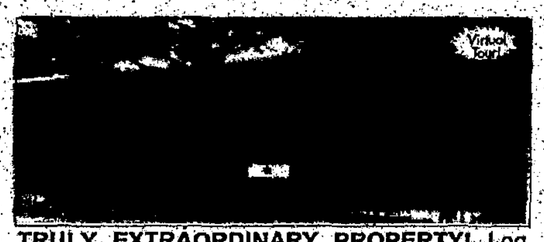

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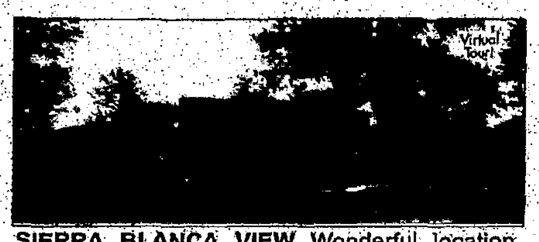

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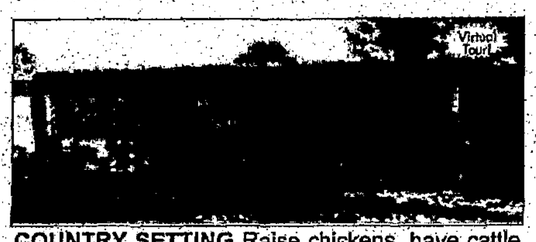

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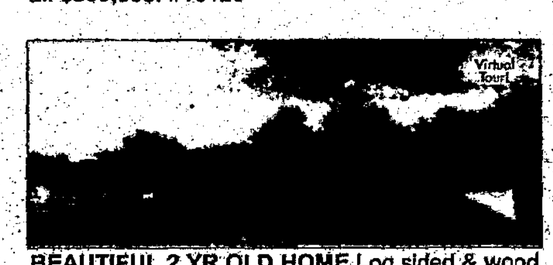

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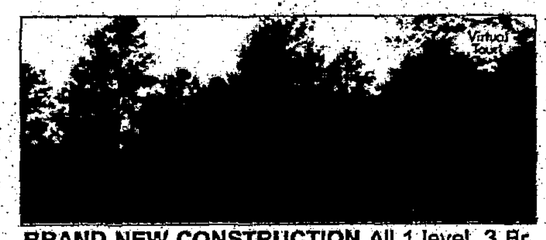

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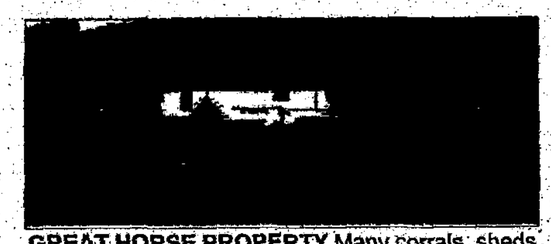

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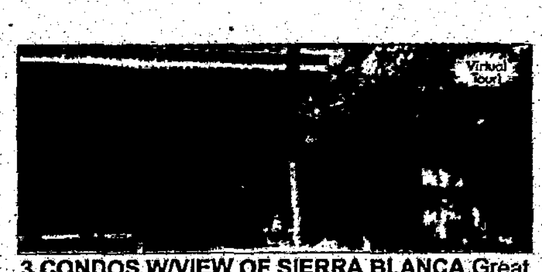

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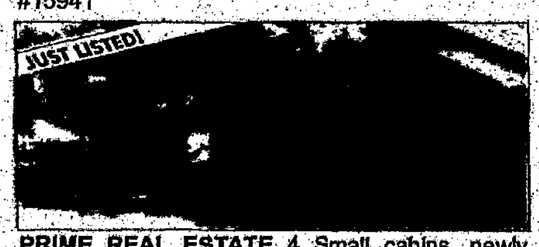

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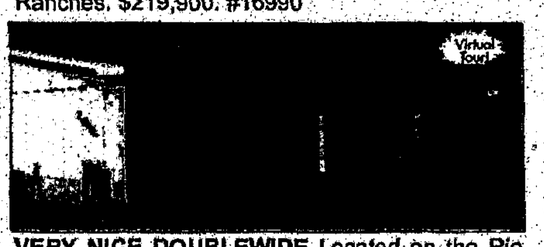

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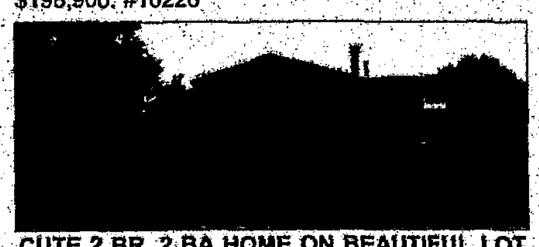

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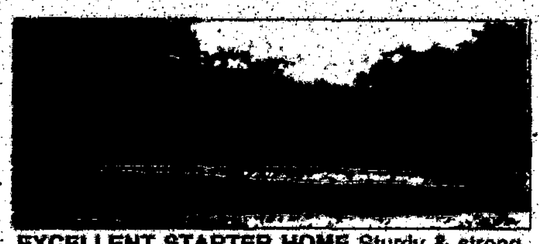

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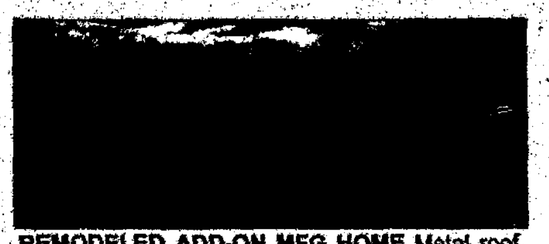

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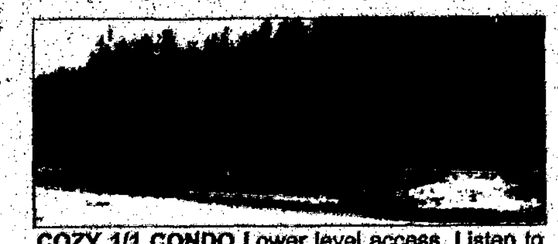

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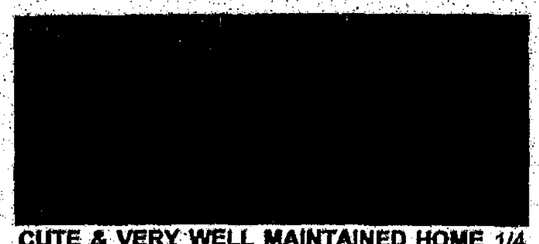

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It's rodeo time – back in the saddle and on the road again

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Lincoln County cowboys and cowgirls are on the uphill side of the spring run of rodeos but on the downhill side of the 2006-07 rodeo season.

With four fall rodeos under their belt and seven spring rodeos on the schedule before the finals, the dust won't get a chance to settle before June. New Mexico High School Rodeo Association competitors' schedule started in Farmington last weekend and is followed by T or C, Belen, Moriarty, Gallup, Alamogordo and Mescalero. The state finals will be in Carlsbad June 6-10.

Farmington is a long way away unless you are from there, but the winter or the miles haven't cooled the heels of Corona senior cowgirl Jordan Muncy. She earned another all-around cowgirl title in Farmington, her third for the 2006-07 year.

Muncy racked up her points for the title by winning the average in the breakaway roping and the barrel race. She placed both days in those events as well is placing in a go round of the goat tying and the pole bending.

Topping a field of 38-barrel racers Saturday, Muncy and her blazing fast gelding, Smoke, were a 17.171 for first place. Sunday's run of 17.009 was good for second place and the average win. Capitan's Morgan Gibbs picked up sixth place Sunday.

Twenty-eight breakaway ropers entered up at Farmington, but Saturday only eight of them had qualified times.

Muncy won a first place with a 2.96 second run and was third with a 3.02 run Sunday. Corona's Stacy Merritt placed sixth Sunday with a time of 3.88.

Quirt McDaniel, a Claunch cowboy and Corona High School junior, nailed the bareback riding average, his first for his short high school rodeo career. McDaniel scored a 68 the first day, good for second place, and Sunday he topped the field with a 75-point ride. The placings moved him into second in the year's bareback riding standings.

Lincoln County bull riders Daniel Dictson, of Hondo, and Chon Miranda, of Ruidoso, rode well for the "home team." Dictson picked up fourth place points with a 73-point ride Saturday and Miranda was fourth in Sunday's performance with a 75-point tally.

Capitan calf roper Cutter Whipple hit the pay window with a consistency that proves he's not been slacking off out of the practice pen this winter. With two fourth place runs, one in 11.26 seconds and the other in 11.76, Whipple was solid in the field of 44 ropers.

J. R. Shafer, a Corona senior and Ronnie Eldridge, Capitan, picked up ninth- and tenth-place calf roping wins Sunday.

The Corona lady loopers made a showing in the team roping Sunday with Chelsea Perez and partner Dan Virden placing third with an 8.18 second run and Stacy Merritt and Travis Gran spinning their steer in 9.99, good for fifth place.

Ruidoso Downs cowboy James Sanchez and Alamogordo partner Quinton Bailey picked up ninth place in Saturday's team roping.

Muncy was third in Saturday's goat tying with Perez picking up a fifth place Sunday.

In the pole bending, Muncy was seventh Saturday and Gibbs was eighth.

Lincoln County competitors will be a little closer to home this weekend in Truth or Consequences.

JULIE CARTER/STAFF

Stacy Merritt, of Corona, shows her roping style at the 2006 Mescalero High School Rodeo.

JULIE CARTER/STAFF

Quirt McDaniel starts a bareback ride in Capitan last September.

Disc golf tees off in Ruidoso at the new Grindstone Disc Golf Course

MIKE CURRAN/STAFF

Village Councilor Michele Rebstock cuts the ribbon for the grand opening of the Grindstone Disc Golf Course as Mike Watts of ADA Bear Satellites helps out.

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As of Tuesday, Ruidoso has an added sport that all can enjoy right here in the Village. It's called disc golf, and it's a sport that's been around, officially, since 1976. As of 2006, there were more than 2,000 permanent disc golf courses installed around the world, the vast majority of them here in the U.S.

As of March 21, however, there is now another course to be added to that list and it's right here in Ruidoso. Extreme outdoor sports fit well with the area and this one falls right into that category.

The grand opening of the Grindstone Disc Golf Course on Resort Drive took place around 3:30 p.m. Many of the Village luminaries were in attendance, including Village Counselor Michele Rebstock, Parks and Recreation Director Rafael "Rifle" Salas, and many others.

The original idea began with Bert Brunell in June, 2006, who then approached the Parks and Recreation Commission with the idea.

The Commission then approved the concept unanimously and presented it to the Village Council, who approved it in August that same year.

With a lot of technical help from David Tetreault, who has played the game for over thirty years, and input from other local players, a dream quickly became a reality.

The nine-hole course is neatly laid out within the beautiful park terrain and is conducive for all, young and old, who wish to get outdoors, breathe some fresh air and get good exercise at the same time. Just to walk the course trails would take the average person a full 30 minutes.

"Our goal in the foreseeable future is to expand the existing course to 18 holes," Parks Director Salas said. "We greatly appreciate the many people who sponsored this project financially. Without them this undertaking would never have come to exist."

Modern day disc golf began in the late 60s and is similar to golf in that it uses many of the same rules and terminology. Unlike golf, however, most courses are built in public parks and are therefore free to play – as the Grindstone Disc Golf Course is.

That in itself should be enough to attract families, health-conscious persons and people who love the outdoors.

Announcement:
A portion of the Sierra Blanca walking trail, behind the Post Office, is closed. Parks & Recreation suggests using the Mechem Drive sidewalk.

Knights of Columbus free throw contest is successful

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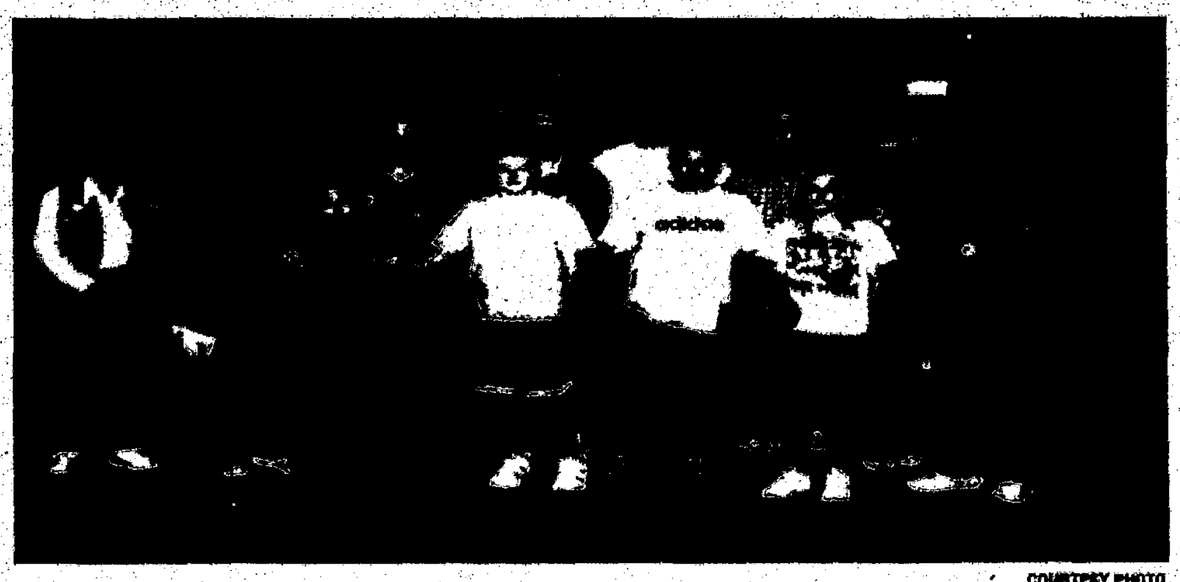
Once again, Jan. 28, the Knights of Columbus, Council No. 6597, held their annual free throw event in the Ruidoso Middle School gym.

The contest was open to all boys and girls, ages 10-14 years old. Four of them, Steven Roybol, Strait Sedillo, Daniel Salazar and Delaney Quintana, from Lincoln County, received a winning championship mark and earned the right to move on to district level.

The district contest was held in Las Cruces at the Holy Cross Parish gymnasium, Feb. 24 where two champions, Roybol and Quintana, made the championship ranks and will move on to the State level.

The State competition will be held in Albuquerque at St. Pius X High School, March 24, at noon.



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The Knights of Columbus free throw participants are, back row, l-r: Gilbert Bauman, Richard Mound, Mike Baker, Greg Kotfla, David Salazar, Larry Bednorz, Chris Furphy and Bill Dement; front row: Dave Tetreault, Coordinator; Steven Roybol, Champion; Strait Sedillo, Champion; Daniel Salazar, Champion; Delaney Quintana, Champion; Eddie Saenz, Grand Knight.

side line

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: 0 inches
Weather for Friday: Scattered showers, then showers and thunderstorms likely after noon. Some storms could be severe, with large hail and damaging winds. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 57. South wind between 5 and 15 mph. Chance of rain is 60 percent.
Midway depth: 28 inches
Season total snowfall: 154 inches
Surface conditions: Spring conditions and groomed
Skiing conditions: Spring conditions
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
Most Difficult: 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, Top Notch, Sunny Side
Lifts open: 1, 2, 3, 4, 7 Gondola (closed for service)
Trails groomed: Easy Street, SBT, The Face, Moonshine Gulch, Lower Moonshine, Lower Deep Freeze, Capitan Heavy, Ambush, Chino, Rover, Snow Park, Smokey Bear
Snowmaking past 24 hours: No
Forecast: Scattered showers and thunderstorms, Saturday. Partly cloudy, with a high near 53. South wind between 5 and 15 mph. Chance of rain is 40 percent.

Prep Results

Tuesday, March 20
Girls Softball
Ruidoso 11, Hot Springs 0
Ruidoso 16, Hot Springs 1
RHS Tennis
All matches were lost against 4A Goddard

Friday, March 16
Baseball
Hope Christian 10, Ruidoso 1
Hobbs JV 8, Capitan 1

Saturday, March 10
Baseball
Ruidoso 15, Hot Springs 5
Capitan 14, Dora 1

Preps on Tap

SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Friday, March 23
Baseball
Capitan at NMMI Invite, 3 days
Girls Softball
Ruidoso at Dexter Tourney, 3 days
Capitan at Dexter Tourney, 3 days
Track and Field
Capitan at Alpha Relays, Hagerman
Carrizozo at Alpha Relays

On Deck

Mens Golf League
2-Man partnership at Cree Meadows Country Club, beginning April 5. For more information call Cree Meadows at 257-5815.

1st Annual Montana Sprint Tri
The First Corazon de la Montana Sprint Triathlon will be held Saturday, May 5th, 8 a.m., at the Ruidoso Athletic Club. The course includes: 500 yard swim, 10 mile bike and a 3.1 mile run. Early registration: $40, adults, $25, 18 and under. Late registration: $50 adults, $35, 18 and under. Portion of proceeds go to Special Events Resource Group, a 501(c)(3) non-profit corp. For more info: Linda or Devin at 257-4900 or see ruidosoathleticclub.com.

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Lincoln National Forest land listed for sale for Rural School Initiative fund

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About 1,470 acres in the Lincoln National Forest in the counties of Otero and Lincoln are listed as potentially for sale to provide an alternate source of funding for a Rural School Initiative.

A U.S. Forest Service Web site showed 974.55 acres in Otero County and 491.58 acres in Lincoln County, out of a total of 7,373 acres possibly for sale in New Mexico.

Some of the tracts exceeded 100 acres. The remaining land lies in the Cibola National Forest.

The need to find another source of revenue was prompted by the expiration last year of a federal law that provided $385 million for schools and roads in 41 states.

The Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act that expired Dec. 31, provided money for many rural areas with scenic spots that are favorites of tourists.

School districts in West Coast states will be especially hard hit, according to an analysis. Preliminary screening identified about 2,500 to 3,000 parcels as being potentially eligible.

The actual number of parcels offered for sale will depend on final criteria and other requirements outlined in the legislation that authorizes this type of conveyances.

Parcel sizes range from less than 10 acres to larger parcels of several hundred acres. The average size is between 40 acres to 160 acres, according to information from Joe Garcia, public information officer for the Lincoln National Forest based in Alamogordo.

The most significant change from last year's Administration proposal is that receipts from the sale of National Forest System lands will be used for other purposes beyond payments to states and counties, he said.

Under a Forest Service proposal in reaction to the President's Fiscal Year 2008 Budget Proposal, the National Forest Land Adjustment for Rural Communities Act would authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to provide a reliable source of finding for a four-year extension of the SRSCSDA of 2000.

State keeps half of sale receipts

The proposal directs 50 percent of the land sale receipts to remain within the state where they were collected for the acquisition of land and access for the national forest system, conservation education, and wildlife and fish habitat restoration.

"Last year we solicited public comments on the potentially eligible list of land parcels identified through preliminary screening," Garcia said. "This notice was published on February 28, 2006. We received more than 103,000 comments, which helped us in identifying issues related to specific parcels."

Based on an analysis of comments received, the original list of potentially eligible land parcels was reduced by 27,000 acres to about 274,000 acres from the original total of 301,000 acres, he said.

Two hundred forty-two parcels were removed based on public comments, Garcia said. A web-based parcel listing with maps is available at www.fs.fed.us.

The public will also be notified of proposed conveyances through publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the county or counties in which the land is located, he said.

About 309 acres of the lands listed as potentially eligible for conveyance are within urban area boundaries. A total of 2,250 acres are within Urban Cluster boundaries.

Garcia said one of the main questions from residents is why sell any national forest land.

"The proposal provides an efficient tool for conveying National Forest System lands that are difficult to manage because of their location or characteristics, such as being isolated from other tracts of federal ownership or that are no longer needed for National Forest System purposes," he said. "Using the land sales receipts to acquire lands for federal ownership that are of much higher priority for conservation and other public purposes is a value added to the overall mission of managing National Forest System lands. The proposal provides an alternative to land exchanges that can be cumbersome and inefficient in developing proposals that meet public needs."

The proposal provides that eligible entities, such as state or local governments, Indian tribes, or non-profit land conservation organizations, would have a preferential right in acquiring federal lands identified for disposal, Garcia said.

"The preferential right allows eligible entities to purchase these lands at appraised values without having to go through a competitive sale process, unless more than one eligible entity expresses an interest in acquiring a parcel through the requisite notice process," he said.

The proposal allows land managers to have greater flexibility and efficiency in accomplishing land adjustment actions to accomplish land management goals on National Forest System lands, he said. Consolidation of federal ownership would help reduce costs related to boundary management and land management activities such as fire suppression and invasive species eradication.

Improved access

Funding for land acquisition and accomplishment of habitat conservation and restoration activities on NFS lands will provide improved access for public uses, improved habitat for wildlife and fish, improved land ownership patterns, and that ability to acquire lands that are needed for conservation purposes, he said.

Under the Forest Service's land acquisition program, land exchanges and donations, the agency acquired on average for the last 10 years about 88,000 acres per year.

"Through the exchange program we have conveyed on average 35,000 acres," he said. The legislative proposal will provide a funding source for payments to continue for an additional four years, if Congress enacts the proposal and subsequent legislation to extend the Secure Rural Schools Act, Garcia said.

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> Lincoln National Forest

"The proposal underscores the President's commitment to states and counties, which have been impacted by the ongoing reduction in receipts primarily due to lower timber harvest levels on Federal lands. As these payments are phased out, it is anticipated that payments to States under the 1908-25 percent Act will continue," he said. "The additional time and associated payments will allow those states and counties to adjust their programs, expenditures and economies to compensate for the loss of timber revenue from federal lands."

The SRS has improved the Forest Services' working relationship with local governments and local groups, Garcia said. The SRS has created local Resource Advisory Committees that have developed collaborative approaches to resource management such as preparing Community Wildfire Protection Plans under the Healthy Forest Initiative, he said.

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'Feed bill' passed by the House to pay for special session without the governor

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SANTA FE — The House of Representatives pressed on Wednesday, one day after their Senate colleagues had voted to cut short a special session and go home.

The House worked into the night Wednesday, hoping to dispatch with as many pieces of legislation as possible.

But, they did so over the objections of the Republican whip, who accused Democratic lawmakers of having "nothing better to do than carry water for the governor."

"You guys are lemmings," Republican Whip Dan Foley, R-Roswell, charged House Democrats. "If he told you to head off a cliff, you'd run with him and away you'd go."

The call of the governor

Richardson called lawmakers back to deal with three ethics bills, two crime bills, a domestic partners bill and a local roads package.

The Senate met behind closed doors for about six hours Tuesday before voting to go home.

But, the House passed a so-called "feed bill" Wednesday afternoon to pay for the special session.

Wednesday evening, House members waited for the Judiciary Committee to wrap up work so they could begin hearing other bills.

Foley questioned whether they should be there at all — given that the governor wasn't. He read off a long list of campaign events Richardson is scheduled to attend this week in California, Arizona and Nevada.

Foley said it was "odd" that Richardson would put a bill on the call for the special session dealing with rights for domestic partners shortly before he was to give the keynote speech to a gay-rights group this weekend.

He said House Republicans would send a letter to the governor saying they should not be in session until he returns to the state.

What's more important?

"My question is, and my concern is, why is it more important for him to run for president than it is for me to run my business, or for me to be a father to my children, or for me to be a husband to my wife?" Foley asked.

Minority Leader Tom Taylor, R-Farmington, said of the 2,900 pieces of legislation introduced, 539 were passed by both chambers and sent to the governor.

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He questioned why the seven issues chosen by Richardson get priority over the others.

He said that to deal with every issue in the state, it would require lawmakers to meet 365 days a year.

But, Majority Leader Ken Martinez, D-Grants, said all of the bills on the governor's call for the special session were important

Answer to the questions

"If you look at all these issues, I think you'll answer the question, why are we here," Martinez said.

Sens. Stuart Ingle, R-Portales; John Grubesic, D-Santa Fe; and Phil Griego, D-San Jose, were cheered by Republicans as they made the official announcement Wednesday that the Senate had gone home. But, Speaker Ben Lujan, D-Santa Fe, made it clear that he intended to press on.

"The message we'd like you to give to your leadership is, we will continue to work and hopefully we'll see you back soon," Lujan told the senators.

The House on Wednesday passed the "feed bill," which will appropriate $237,428 for the House, $146,000 for the Senate and $93,000 for the Legislative Council Service to fund the special session.

The bill also has $250,000 for the Legislative Finance Committee, which had been removed by a governor's veto from House Bill 2, the main budget bill.

Five dems missing

Foley tried unsuccessfully to amend the feed bill to remove funding for the Senate and reduce money for the House and Council Service.

Five Democrats were missing when the House convened Wednesday.

They were Las Cruces-area Reps. Joseph Cervantes, Mary Helen Garcia and Antonio Lujan. Senators Mary Kay Papen and Cynthia Nava, both Las Cruces Democrats, who are traveling outside of the country.

Senate Majority Whip Mary Jane Garcia, D-Las Cruces, said lawmakers didn't know the governor had planned to call a special session until Saturday, the final day of the just-concluded 60-day session, and many had made other plans.

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North American pet food recall follows death of pets

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The deaths of at least 14 pets across the country were tied to contamination of "wet" pet food in pouches or cans, resulting in a massive recall of 91 major "name" brands and store brands for cats and dogs.

Officials with Menu Foods, an Ontario, Canada-based company that produced the pet food, recalled dog food sold throughout North America under 48 brands and cat food sold under more than 40 brands including Iams, Nutro and Eukanuba. The food was distributed by major retailers such as Wal-Mart, Kroger and Safeway.

Representatives at Wal-Mart in Ruidoso Downs can provide a list of the brands and types of food affected at that store by calling the main number at 378-8050 or checking at the store.

For instance, not all cans under the store's Special Kitty brand are being recalled. Ocean whitefish is not among the potentially tainted varieties, while tuna sauce, beef and gravy, turkey giblets and gravy, mixed grill, chicken liver, chicken dinner, filet mignon and duck with rice are under the recall.

A check of three local veterinarian clinics in Lincoln County showed that no cases of pets exhibiting symptoms were reported as of Wednesday, although one office spokesman said her clinic was "swamped" with calls from worried pet owners seeking more information.

Officials with the Food and Drug Administration said Tuesday 14 deaths were confirmed and an unknown number of cats and dogs suffered kidney failure after eating the affected pet food.

The cause of contamination is under investigation, said Stephen Sundlof, director of the FDA's Center for Veterinary Medicine. Although no firm leads have been identified, suspicion is focused on a possible contamination of wheat gluten used to thicken gravy in the "cuts and gravy" cat and dog foods sold in pouches and cans.

Two other companies, Nestle Purina PetCare Co. and Hill's Pet Nutrition Inc., voluntarily recalled some products made by Menu Foods.

A complete list of the recalled products along with product codes, descriptions and production dates is posted on the Menu Foods Web site, www.menufoods.com/recall. The company designated two telephone numbers that pet owners can call for information, 866-463-6738 and 866-895-2708.

Menu Foods' chief executive and president Paul Henderson aid Friday that the recall would cost the company, which is mostly owned by the Menu Foods Income Fund, an estimated $26 million to $34 million.

The recall was prompted after the company received complaints from pet owners about their dogs and cats vomiting and suffering kidney failure.

The recall covers the company's "cuts and gravy" style food, which consists of chunks of meat in gravy, sold in cans and small foil pouches from Dec. 3 to March 6.

Company officials said Menu produces pet food for 17 of the top 20 North American retailers.

Legislative allocations to Lincoln County total $7.3 million

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New Mexico state legislators and the governor apparently allocated about $7.3 million for projects in Lincoln County this year, although some cuts still could occur.

Water and wastewater

In a list provided by the Southeastern New Mexico Economic Development District, $1 million was designated for an equestrian center outside the village of Capitan.

Also list was the allocation of $3,545,000 for improvements to the Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant owned by the village of Ruidoso and city of Ruidoso Downs.

The winners are

The Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority is set to receive $200,000 toward its new recycling center on U.S. 70, $275,000 is marked for continued renovation of a domestic violence shelter in Ruidoso Downs and purchase of a vehicle.

Thirty-thousand dollars were allocated for new seats in the 12th Judicial District courtrooms in Carrizozo and Alamogordo and $96,000 to renovate a state monument museum in the historic settlement of Lincoln.

The All-American Park in Ruidoso Downs was given $71,700 for lights.

Capitan schools

Capitan High School is slated to receive $225,000 for improvements to its baseball program and complex (of which $175,000 was restored from a previous allocation) and $55,000 for an upgrade to the middle school's family and consumer science laboratory.

Another $50,000 will go toward athletic fields in Ruidoso.

Fire and police on the list

Volunteer fire departments in Nogal and Arabela received $25,000 and $210,000 respectively, to purchase equipment and a pumper.

The Glencoe-Palo Verde Volunteer Fire Department was allocated $35,000 toward a new fire station.

The Ruidoso Police Department is listed for $225,000 of vehicle purchases.

Hondo School is mentioned for $150,000 at its health clinic and Carrizozo Park for $90,000 in landscaping and playground equipment.

Corona gets a share

Renovation of Corona Village Hall is on the list for $250,000 and another $365,000 will go to water system improvements in that town.

Reauthorizations were not included on the list from the district. Among the remainder of other projects funded were an Upper Hondo Water Basin study at $100,000 and improvements to the San Patricio Community Ditch for $20,000.

NEW MEXICO

has provided striking scenery and a pleasant climate for many major films. Some of them are: The Ballad of Gregorio Cortez , Bite the Bullet, Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid , Casey's Shadow, The Cheyenne Social Club, Chisum, City Slickers, The Cowboys, Four Faces West, Gas Food Lodging, Hang 'Em High, The Left-Handed Gun, Lonely are the Brave, Lonesome Dove, The Man from Laramie, Man Who Fell to Earth, Milagro Beanfield War, My Name Is Nobody, Outrageous Fortune, Pow-Wow Highway, Silverado, Twins, White Sands, Wyatt Earp, Young Guns, and Young Guns II.

THE LINCOLN COUNTY WAR

During the 1870's a group of civilian merchants gained control over the economy of Lincoln County, New Mexico, southwest United States, including a monopoly on filling lucrative contracts from the military at Fort Stanton. This group who monopolized trade and their allies was called The House.

But in 1877, their control was challenged by an English entrepreneur, John Tunstall. Tunstall's employees and supporters were known as The Regulators, and followers of "The House" violently resisted them.

The battle was fought both in courtrooms and also through gunfights, murders, and cattle rustlings. Even the Army became involved. Eventually members of "The House" killed Mr. Tunstall.

And, as might be expected, "The Regulators" fervently vowed to take vengeance upon the House group resonsible for killing Tunstall. Among the group of "Regulators" loyal to Mr. Tunstall was a young man who was known as Billy the Kid.

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A SEASON OF SINGING

Isn't it wonderful when spring returns to melt the sharp edges of winter with her warm rays? The soft billowing clouds are beautiful in the sapphire sky; colorful bulbs poke their blooms up through the thawed soil; the first robins build nests to cushion their eggs.

Yes, spring provides a soft touch after a long winter. We read in the Song of Solomon 2:11, "See! The winter is past...flowers appear on the earth; the season of singing has come...."

Just as the warmth of spring brings out the robins to build nests to protect their eggs, God is there to protect and care for us. How soothing to enjoy the warmth of His love after the storms of our busy days overwhelm us.

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First Assembly of God
El Paso Road, Ruidoso 257-2324. Rev. Stacy & Alicia Brankel, Pastor. Sunday morning worship: 10:45 a.m.- Children's Church during a.m. service. Sunday evening worship 6 p.m.; Rock Youth Group Monday evening @ 6:30p.m., ages 12-18; Wednesday evening Royal Rangers (Christian Scouting for Boys) and Missionettes (Girls Clubs) @ 6:45 - 8:15 p.m. Bible Study @ 7:00 p.m.

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.

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

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Baha'i Faith Meeting in members' homes. 257-2987 or 258-5595

CATHOLIC

St. Eleanor Catholic Church Ruidoso, 257-2330. Reverend Al Galvan. Sacrament of Penance: Sat. 5:00 p.m. or by appointment; Sat. Mass: 6 p.m. (Bilingual); Sun. Mass: 9:30 a.m. (English), 11:00 a.m. (English); Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat. 5 to 5:30 p.m.; Sunday Mass, St. Jude Thaddeus, San Patricio: 8 a.m.

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.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Bent. Father Larry Gosselin. Saturday Mass: 6 p.m.; Sunday Mass: 8 a.m.

CHRISTIAN

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

First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Hull and Gavilan Canyon Road. Rev. James M. Smith, Pastor. Sunday School, K-12/Adult: 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m.

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CHURCH OF CHRIST

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.

EVANGELICAL

THE LIGHTHOUSE Christian Fellowship church, 1031 Mechem Dr.(in the Attic Complex(Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m., 7 PM, Wed. 7 PM 258-2539

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JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

Ruidoso - Kingdom Hall--1102 Gavilan Canyon Rd., 336-4147, 257-7714. Sunday: Public Talk--10:00 a.m.; Watchtower Study--10:50 a.m. Monday: Book Study--7:30 p.m. Thursday: Theoc. Ministry School--7:30 p.m.; Service Meeting--8:20 p.m.

Congregacion Hispana de los Testigos de Jehova 1102 Gavilan Canyon Rd., 336-4147, 378-7095. Dom.: Reunion Publica--10:00 a.m.; Estudio de la Atalya--10:50 a.m. Mart.: Escuela del Ministerio Teocratico--7:00 p.m.; Reunion de Servicio--7:50 p.m. Juev.: Estudio de Libro--7:00 p.m.

LUTHERAN

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

METHODIST

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

PENTECOSTAL

Apostolic Pentecostal Assembly, Eternal Life Ministries, Minister: Harry A. Peyton, call for your personal Home Bible study: 430-9640, (Web page) http://www.//DoctrinesOfChrist.com

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 Sebring. Adult Sunday School: 10 a.m.; worship 11 a.m.

REFORMED CHURCH

Mescalero Reformed Mescalero. Bob Schut, Pastor. Sunday: Church school 9:30 a.m.; worship 10:30 a.m. Mon.: junior high youth 6:30 p.m. Wed.: high school meeting 7 p.m. Thurs: Kids 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. Services; 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.

Grace Harvest Church 1108 Gavilan Canyon Rd. 336-4213. Sun. Sunday school 9 a.m.; Fellowship at 10-10:30 am; Service 10:30 a.m.

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Peace Chapel Interdenominational (ULC) Alto North, 336-7075. Jeamsie Price, Pastor. Morning chapel: 6:50 a.m. (Sept. – June); Sun. Service: 11 a.m.

Racetrack Chapel Horseman's Entrance, Hwy 70, 505-378-7264. Chaplain Darrell Winter. Services 10:30 am to 11:15 am. Enjoy the music & old hymns with friendly people.

Foot of the Cross Christian Ministries 2812 Sudderth (Pine Tree Shopping Center) 257-4839. Services: Sunday morning 10:30 am and Wednesday mid-week Bible Study 7 pm. Visit us on the web: www.thefootofthecross.org

NON-SECTARIAN

Spiritual Awareness Study Group Minister: George N. Brown, Ph.D. U.L.C. Sundays 1 p.m.

CAPITAN & LINCOLN CHURCHES

BAPTIST

Trinity Southern Baptist Church (south on Highway 48) Mt. Capitan Rd. 354-2034. Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.; Worship: 11 a.m.; CrossFire Youth Group Wednesday 6:30 p.m. Celebrate Recovery (Faith based 12 step program for all types of addictions) Tuesday & Thursday 6:00 p.m. 808-0607

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

CATHOLIC

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
Capitan, 354-9102. Saturday Mass: 5 p.m.; Sunday Mass: 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.

QUAKER WORSHIP GROUP - Quaker Unprogrammed meeting: The Bonito valley Worship Group meets at 9 am on First day, at the oldCommunity Church in Lincoln. For details of this and other Quaker activities contact Sandra Smith at 505-653-4951

CARRIZOZO CHURCHES

ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Carrizozo Community Church (A/G)
Barbara Bradley, pastor. Corner of C Ave. & Thirteenth.. Children's Church 10:30 am; Worship Service 10:30 am; Wednesday Night Kids Club 5:30-7:00 pm; Thursday Bible Study 6:30 pm.

BAPTIST

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

CATHOLIC

Santa Rita Catholic Church
648-2833. Father Dave Bergs, Pastor. Saturday Mass: 6:30 p.m.; Sunday Mass: 10:30 a.m.; Tuesday Adult Bible Study: 6 p.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Perry 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 Patton, pastor/648-2339. 711 'E' Ave., Carrizozo, NM. Affiliated w/the Evangelistic Assembly Church. Sunday 7:00 pm.

MESCALERO

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

God does not bind us to the impossible

Q. I am very concerned about my mother. She is 75 years old and does not drive. She takes the bus to mass faithfully every Sunday.

She must walk about five blocks to the bus stop, then ride the bus for about two miles. I admire her devotion, but I'm also concerned about what I think is poor judgment on her part.

This past weekend, despite blizzard warnings, my mother insisted on attending mass.

I feel it was unsafe for her to do this because of the severe cold and snowy conditions. She refused to take a taxi and wouldn't even consider skipping church. She was determined to go to mass, and certain that God would watch over her and keep her safe.

When is it OK to miss mass? How can I persuade my mother to use better judgment in the future?

– M., Long Island, N.Y.

The God Squad
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A. The basic principal at play here is that God does not bind us to the impossible.

The severe dangers to your mother's health and safety are definitely reasons for her to take a taxi to church or stay home.

Prudence is also a profoundly important religious value and it is prudent to stay home in terrible weather so you can be well enough to attend mass on the first decent Sunday.

We would also like to know if you could help your mother by going to church with her.

That way, two good deeds could come from the journey: she gets *to* mass and you get to be with her. If you live in another city, we suggest you make arrangements with a car service to pick up your mother and take her to church.

If she knows that the car is already paid for, she might consider it wasteful not to accept your kind offer.

Q. I currently have a deed to four plots at a Roman Catholic cemetery in a small town near Albany, N.Y. Several family members are buried there. However, I am considering becoming an Episcopalian. If I change religions, would I lose my right to be buried in a Catholic cemetery? Perhaps other readers have this same question. I would truly appreciate some guidance here as to "The Rules."

– B. via e-mail

A. Legally, there is no problem with you being interred in one of those plots. Your impulse to be buried with your family is laudable. However, there often comes a time when a new family burial plot is needed or where people choose to be buried in the plots of their in-laws' families.

If you are in a transitional phase of your life, perhaps this might be a good time to make the split and start a new sacred burial site for your family in an Episcopal cemetery, which reflects your new path up the same mountain to God.

Q. If the Eucharist is, according to Catholic belief, the actual body and blood of Christ, and not just some metaphor or symbol of our closeness with God, as you've written in previous columns, then what would chemical analysis reveal?

Is the communion wafer composed of real human cells and tissue?

Somehow, I doubt it. However, if it isn't, if scientifically, it's merely a piece of bread, then a "symbol" is exactly what it is. Which is it, gentlemen?

– P, via the Internet

A. Even though your question reveals more than a hint of cynicism, we're happy to answer what we hope is a sincere question. The Eucharist transcends scientific categories because transubstantiation is not a scientific description but an act of faith. The traditional view is that the "accidents" of the Eucharist remain the same. This means that the bread is still chemically bread, and wine is still chemically wine even after the transubstantiation.

What has changed is the underlying reality of the bread and wine, and that underlying reality has changed, according to Christian belief, into the body and the blood of Christ.

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.

Sneezin' and wheezin' in the Land of Disenchantment

The Land of Enchantment has become the Land of Disenchantment.

And the official state question is no longer "Red or Green?" but "Sneezin' or Wheezin?"

We are now paying for last year's wet summer and this year's wet winter. If any vegetation can put off pollen, it is doing a bang-up, magnificant job of it.

For the first time in six springs, I am being attacked by the flora of the Sacramentos. If this is followed by a fauna attack, I am outa' here.

The wonderful paradise of the Sacramentos has become pollen's great place for persecution.

Clary-fications
BY CHARLES CLARY
RUIDOSO PASTOR

Armed with Allegra, Claritin and other OTCs, I am hoping that this allergic response doesn't settle in my sinuses, lungs or vocal cords. The doctors' offices are filled with snorting sneezers begging for relief.

I am just glad that the March winds have not whipped up the dust and stuff from south of the border. If that happens we will all be wearing HEPA filters for masks.

Three or four hundred dollars doesn't seem like much for a device that will clean the air inside your home. We must have some place to get some relief.

Folks who have breathing problems because of the altitude are doubly threatened by this year's pollen count.

So, I suppose that we are forced to admit that even paradise has some drawbacks.

I would say, pray for rain to clean the air but that might bring on more pollen.

I would say pray for wind to blow our pollen somewhere else, but that might bring in some allergens that are worse.

So I suppose that we will just snort, sniff, sneeze and blow our noses and pray that this, too, will pass.

That reminds me of a phrase in the King James translation of the Bible ... "It came to pass ..."

Well, it came and I am ready for it to pass.

God, please give us help for today and hope for tomorrow.

Behold, God is mine helper:
the Lord is with them that uphold my soul.
I will freely sacrifice unto thee:
I will praise thy name, O Lord; for it is good.
For He hath delivered me out of all trouble:
and mine eye hath seen His desire upon mine enemies.

Psalm 54:4,6,7

Claiming to be God doesn't make it so; a lie is a lie

Q. Did you read the story about a man who claims to be God, and says he is the successor to Jesus?

He seems to be very sincere about it, and he's managed to convince his followers also.

Could he be right?

– Z.M.

A. No, he is not right – and one reason is because the Bible clearly teaches that when Jesus comes again, He will descend from the heavens with power and glory.

The Bible says, "Look, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him" (Revelation 1:7).

When Jesus first entered the world, He came as a baby, born in obscurity and weakness. His life was spent in humility, and He willingly submitted to the horrors of the cross for our salvation.

But His second coming will be much different, for then He will come to rule over the world in power and justice. When He ascended into heaven after His resurrection, the angels told His disciples, "This same Jesus ... will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven" (Acts 1:11).

Jesus warned that from time to time false messiahs would appear, leading many people astray by their claims.

He warned us not to be misled by them. He said, "Watch out that you are not deceived.

For many will come in my name, claiming, 'I am he,' and, 'The time is near.' Do not follow them" (Luke 21:8).

Only Jesus Christ is worthy of our allegiance, for only He was God in human flesh sent from heaven to save us from our sins.

And someday He will come again, and those who follow Him will be with Him forever. Will you be among them? Don't let another day go by without giving your life to Christ.

Q. What is your definition of a lie? Personally I don't think it's wrong to shade the truth a little bit when it isn't going to make any difference, as long as it doesn't do any harm, but I suppose you wouldn't agree.

- Z.J.

A. No, I can't agree with you, and the reason is because God calls us to live by a higher standard in our speech.

Jesus told His followers, "Simply let your 'Yes' be 'Yes,' and your 'No,' 'No'; anything beyond this comes from the evil one" (Matthew 5:37).

I also can't agree with you that shading the truth a little "isn't going to make any difference."

After all, if it isn't going to make a difference, why bother to do it?

A lie always makes a difference, no matter how small or big it is; if it didn't make any difference, we wouldn't tell it to begin with.

But every lie is meant to deceive someone, and deception is always wrong in God's eyes (as well as the eyes of the person we deceive).

The Bible says, "Do not deceive one another" (Leviticus 19:11).

Every untruth, however, also hurts the one who tells it.

Eventually, others will catch on to a person's tendency to lie – and when they do, they will conclude he or she isn't trustworthy.

When people decide you can't be trusted, they'll treat you with caution or even rejection, not friendship.

One sign of Christ's second coming is that "evil men and impostors will go from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived" (2 Timothy 3:13).

The real issue you face, however, is this: What place does Jesus Christ have in your life?

Face the truth of your need for Him, and build your life on the truth of what He has done for you.

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

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March 25th: Luke 19:28-44
"Week of Reversals"

CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME
Have you been away from the Church for a while? Have you ever thought about returning? If so, we would like to welcome you back to St. Eleanor's. We have a special ministry for people just like you who have been away from the Church. Please join us for a special series of meetings beginning on Wednesday, April 11th, at 6 PM at the church meeting room, located at 120 Junction Road in Ruidoso. We would like to address your questions and make you feel at home once more in the Catholic Church. For more information, call Barbara Dickinson at 336-7822.

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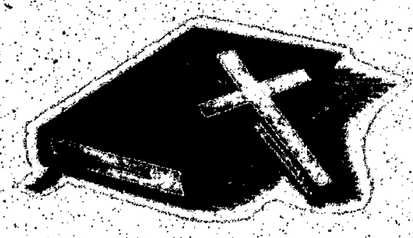

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Meet your Lincoln County extension agent – it's that time of year

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With roots buried deep in the land of Lincoln County, Pete Gnatkowski (pronounced Nat-cow-skee) is the guy that, every time you turn around, is there doing something good for agriculture and the people who depend on it.

Spring is the season that starts a long busy stretch for Gnatkowski as he answers the calls for his services with FFA, 4-H and county residents for their horticulture and pest control needs.

Gnatkowski became the county extension agent in 1999, a job that followed up on the things he loves most about the county and its people.

A native of the area and the state, he graduated from New Mexico State University with a Bachelor's in Animal Science. Later he earned his Masters in Ag Extension Education.

Gnatkowski and his wife of 32 years, Sara, ranch near Ancho on land first owned by his grandparents when they arrived in the county in 1930. Raising sheep, goats and cattle for most those years that, too, has changed.

Like many area sheep ranchers, predators made it continually harder to stay with the smaller animals. Today their main crop is cattle.

When Pete took the position with the NMSU extension in Lincoln County, he said the steady paycheck was welcome but he also found it very satisfactory to be working with the kids of the county through FFA and 4-H.

"Sometimes the bureaucracy of a job is tough, but the people and kids make it more than worthwhile," he said.

While Gnatkowski tends to the county, Sara tends to the ranch during the week, feeding and checking waters. "Then on the weekends, we spend time fixing stuff that needs fixed," said Gnatkowski.

For three decades the Gnatkowski's have been involved with the 4-H and FFA in the county, and more heavily so during the time their children, Callie and John Pete, were members of both organizations.

He said he does the same thing now but it is also just part of his job.

Gnatkowski has been directly involved with the county fair for decades including spending 6-8 years as a fair board member.

He also served 13 years on the Corona School Board and a number of years on the Carrizozo Soil and Water Conservation District Board. Gnatkowski was instrumental in getting a predator control program funded and operating.

He served for two years as president of the New Mexico Woolgrowers Association, is a member of New Mexico Cattle Growers Association, and is active with private property rights advocacy groups.

Admitting that he does miss "just ranching," Gnatkowski likes the work he does.

Beyond the youth organizations, he is in charge of helping the county residents with urban horticulture and dealing with the culprits that threaten it, be it bugs, weeds or wildlife.

With so many years experience in fitting fair animals, late July and early August will find Pete crawling around an assortment of critters with a set of clippers in his hands.

For weeks, his pickup will be laden with a set of scales and a tool box to help local FFA and 4-H leaders get every kid and their project ready for the big event.

Always a smile on his face and willingness to do whatever needs done, Pete Gnatkowski is the kind of guy everyone likes to have around.

For more information about how the extension service can serve and help, contact the office at 648-2311.

JULIE CARTER/STAFF

Pete Gnatkowski has been the county agent for the NMSU extension office since 1999.

Attention hunters: deadline for big-game application is April 7

SANTA FE – Hunters who want to participate in New Mexico's 2007-08 public-land deer, elk, antelope, ibex, javelina and bighorn sheep seasons have until midnight April 7 to apply for licenses and permits in the state drawing system.

Applicants also are reminded that harvest reports for the 2006-07 deer, elk and furbearer seasons – along with an $8 late fee if applicable – must be received by the department before they apply or their applications will be rejected.

Third season for the draw

The 2007 deer season will be the third in which hunters must enter a public drawing to be eligible to hunt on public lands statewide, or on private lands in Game Management Units 2A, 2B, 2C, 4 and 5A.

Deer hunters who do not apply or are unsuccessful in the drawing will be able to hunt only on private land – with a valid permit, license and written permission of the landowner.

Applications submitted via the Department of Game and Fish Web site, www.wildlife.state.nm.us, must be received by midnight, MDT, April 7.

Applicants who use the website are encouraged not to wait until the last minute to avoid delays due to the high volume of website users.

Hunters also can use paper applications, which may be obtained at any of more than 200 license vendors statewide and at Game Department offices in Santa Fe, Albuquerque, Raton, Las Cruces and Roswell.

All paper applications must be either hand-delivered to the Santa Fe office by 5 p.m. Friday, April 6, or postmarked by midnight MDT Saturday, April 7.

Mandatory harvest reporting

Mandatory harvest reports were due Feb. 15 from all hunters who held 2006-07 deer or elk licenses, and are due March 31 for all furbearer hunters and trappers.

Hunters and trappers who did not report by the deadlines can still participate in the 2007-08 hunt drawings if they complete their harvest survey and pay an $8 late fee before applying for a 2007-08 permit or license.

Hunters who fail to report their 2006-07 harvest results – successful or not – will have their 2007-08 applications rejected.

Initial reports indicate 81 percent of last year's deer and elk hunters reported their harvest results by the Feb. 15 deadline.

Online drawing results

Drawing results will be available in late June on the department website, or in person at any department office.

More information about big-game hunting in New Mexico can be found in the Big Game Rules and Information booklet, available at license vendors and department offices.

The department is found on the Web at www.wildlife.state.nm.us or by calling 505-476-8000.

Coming home again

I was the favorite daughter and the favorite sister. My brothers will have to agree with both statements because I was the only girl in our family of four children.

I was also the eldest of the pack of mountain children, which sounds better than hillbillies, but really, that's what we were.

This weekend we will all be under the same roof for the first time in a dozen years.

I'm not sure how that happens; how a family once so close can get so scattered and caught up in life that we forget to come home, but it has.

My mother is ecstatic about the gathering; as well she should and would be.

As all mothers will do, she will feed us well, give us sage advice and tell us stories from the old days we've probably heard multiple times.

And best of all, she will scold us like she did when we were all under the age of 12. There is something comforting about that.

The teasing and the bantering will be non-stop. The grandchildren will hear tales about their parents that will amaze and delight them. They are old enough now to have an adult concept of their parents as children.

They also begin to understand why their parents are smart enough to know what they are up to; that parents really aren't clairvoyant, just experienced.

We will once again prove that tattling to your parents is not something that stops with adulthood.

People who are now getting AARP propaganda in the mail will still find delight in reminding their mother just how bad their brother or sister was as a teen.

"Mom did you ever know that Julie was really not at her friend's house like she said she was? You knew about that party, right?"

"Mom, did Lonnie ever tell you about the time .... ?" This conversation could take half the weekend.

"Mom, you do know that Bruce wasn't really sick because of your fried chicken, right? Fried chicken doesn't give you a hangover."

"Mom, we know Jim is your favorite but only because he's the baby. He's not really any better than we are. He just got away with it more often."

Cowgirl Sass & Savvy
BY JULIE CARTER

Sibling relationships slide right into adulthood without much adjustment.

I'm still the bossy older sister with little tolerance for their nonsense and have lost none of my ability to tell them so. They have lost none of their ability to ignore me.

The three "boys" will size each other up for what life has dealt them in the way of careers, wives and children.

After that short assessment is over, they'll all hit the cookie jar looking for mom's specialty-chocolate chip cookies.

The visit probably won't be long enough, but maybe it will fuel the desire to do it again before a decade passes by.

We aren't special or unique. Nor are we any less or any more dysfunctional than most families.

What we are is family. And for that, we do know we are blessed. Even if we don't always show it.

Julie can be reached for comment at jcarter@tularosa.net

BOARD ROOM

POLLY CHAVEZ/ FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

J'Lane Zamora, left, and Cissy Griego took their places at the table ifor their first Carrizozo School Board meeting Tuesday. The pair were elected to the board for four-year terms, replacing LeeRoy Zamora and Lisa Crenshaw who did not seek re-election.

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RUIDOSO POLICE REPORTS

Incident at RMS

A call to the 400 block of Mechem Drive resulted in the filing of a battery report at Ruidoso Middle School.

According to police reports, a student at the school was pushed around, grabbed in a head lock and whipped with a belt "about 6 times" by two other students on Feb. 27.

When asked if the student had told a teacher or school resource officer Chris Condon about it, the student said Condon was busy with other matters and no teachers were around because they were looking for students "ditching" school.

The case was turned over to Condon for further investgation.

Unwelcome visitor

St. Patrick's Day was unkind to one underage reveler March 17 as Anton Moquin, 19, was issued citations for minor allowing self to be served and disorderly conduct after entering a home on the 100 block of Cedar Place.

Officers took Moquin to a responsible party's address and released him there after issuing the citations.

Tagging is a crime

Unkown individuals wrote graffiti with black marker in the women's restroom in the public restrooms located in Midtown. The bathrooms were cleaned March 18 at about 8 a.m. with no graffiti, which was found during a regular cleaning the following morning.

Breaking and entering

Abraham Maese, 36, was arrested March 17 for breaking and entering and using a phone to harass. Maese was unable to post bond and was taken to the Lincoln County Detention Center.

First break-in

A restaurant not yet open for business was the target of a burglary March 18. A drive-through window had been broken and several rolls of paper towels and light bulbs were taken. The stolen items totaled about $70, with damage to the window coming in at about $1,500. There are no suspects at this time.

Caught in the act

Ruidoso police responded to a burglary in progress on the 200 block of Gavilan Canyon Road March 18 and ended up in a foot chase before capturing and arresting Melvin Franks, Jr., 22, of Gila Bend, Ariz. Police found a bag he had been carrying and found jewelry, a portable DVD player and shoes totaling about $3,070 taken from the victim's residence. Police also found two vehicles reported stolen at a residence next door.

Police questioned Josephine Rue, 39, who lived in the house and denied knowing Franks. Further questioning of other residents and police work showed Rue did in fact know Franks and was arrested for obstructing an officer. Neither were able to post bond and Franks was transported to the LCDC.

Purse snatcher

A vehicle parked on the 200 block of Metz drive had a purse taken sometime during the night of March 17. The larceny victim stated her check book, driver's license, credit card and Social Security card were inside. She stated a digital camera worth $300 was also stolen. There are no suspects at this time.

Bad plastic

A three-night stay from March 11-14 in a local motel ended up in an arrest warrant for Mary Spears, 32, of Burleson, Texas, after it was found the credit card she used to pay for her room had been revoked. Spears is charged with fraudulent use of credit cards.

Family dispute

Police responded to a domestic dispute on the 100 block of Whirlaway Drive March 16 and arrested Michael Mohrhauser, 51, for disorderly conduct and resisting or refusing to obey an officer. He could not post bond and was taken to the LCDC.

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- work closely with the Department of Transportation, the Department of Energy, and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to ensure all appropriate safety measures are taken.

PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETINGS

WHEN: Wednesday, March 28
Thursday, March 29
TIME: 6–9:30 p.m.
Roswell Convention and Civic Center
912 N. Main St. Roswell, NM

Partners Gandy-Marley and Energy*Solutions* will be on hand to answer any questions you may have. These informal Public Involvement Meetings are being held to raise awareness of the scope and type of facilities that GNEP will require. We believe that it is necessary to give the public an opportunity to 1) be informed about the impacts of a recycling facility and 2) have a forum to both ask questions and voice concerns about the project. Community support is essential and can only be achieved by open and honest communication with the public.

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FUNERALS DEATHS

Orlando Ray Beltran

Prayer service for Orlando Ray Beltran, 46, of Carrizozo was Wednesday, March 21, at Santa Rita's Catholic Church at Carrizozo where the funeral mass was Thursday, March 22. Burial followed at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Cemetery.

Mr. Beltran passed away March 14 at his home in Carrizozo.

He was born July 18, 1960 in Carrizozo and had lived there all of his life.

He attended Santa Rita's Catholic Church in Carrizozo.

He is survived by three sisters; Quirina Jaramillo; Mable Zamora and her husband Barney; and Frances Zamora and her husband LeeRoy all of Carrizozo; two brothers, Lorenzo Beltran of Carrizozo and Ernie Beltran of Albuquerque; his lifelong companion Albina Chavez of Carrizozo; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.lagroneruidoso.com.

Steven Michael Chavez

Visitation for Steven Michael Chavez, 20, of Hondo was Thursday March 22, at LaGrone Funeral Chapel in Ruidoso. The Rosary will be at 7 p.m. Friday, March 23, at the Hondo School in Hondo where the funeral mass will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 24. Burial will follow in St. Jude's Catholic Cemetery at San Patricio. Mr. Chavez was born Nov. 21, 1986 in Kileen, Texas to Novelda and Eddie Chavez.

He had lived all of his life in the Hondo Valley and graduated from Hondo High School in 2005.

He loved the outdoors, football and music.

He joined the Marine Corp and was serving in Iraq when he passed away March 14, 2007 at Ar Ramadi, Iraq.

He is survived by his parents, Eddie and Novelda Chavez; a sister, Jackie Chavez; a brother, Jaime Chavez; his grandparents, Melvin and Priscilla Chavez, Lorena and Larry Andre and Annie Pena; a great grandmother, Inez Romero.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.lagroneruidoso.com.

Monty R. Dumas

Visitaton for Monty R. Dumas, 62, of Ruidoso will be 3-5 p.m. Saturday, March 17, at LaGrone Funeral Chapel.

The funeral will be at 1 p.m. Sunday, March 18, in Calvary Chapel with burial to follow at Ruidoso-Hondo Valley Cemetery and officiating will be John Marshall.

Mr. Dumas passed away Thursday, March 15, at his home.

He was born Jan. 18, 1945 in Lubbock, Texas to Consuelo and Edward Dumas.

He served in the Army and he moved to Ruidoso in 2004 from California.

He worked for Boeing Aircraft for 34 years retiring in 1999. He attended Calvary Chapel.

He married Lydia Negrete Sept. 29, 1973 in Wilmington, Calif.

He is survived by his wife, Lydia Dumas; a son, Luke Dumas; a grandson, Daniel Dumas; two brothers, Joe Garcia and his wife Jennie and Nikki Gutierrez.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.lagroneruidoso.com.

William J. Fischer

Visitation for William J. Fischer, 81, of Las Cruces and formerly of Ruidoso will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday, March 27, at LaGrone Funeral Chapel of Ruidoso.

The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. at the funeral chapel.

Burial will follow at Forest Lawn Cemetery in Ruidoso.

Mr. Fischer passed away Sunday, March 18, at home in Las Cruces.

He was born March 5, 1926 at Wayne Township, N.J.

He moved to Ruidoso from Florida in 1977 and lived in Ruidoso until moving to Las Cruces in 1981.

He was a self-employed contractor in commercial artwork.

He married Florence Marie Anderson May 1, 1961 at Little Falls, N.J.

He is survived by his wife Florence of Las Cruces.

He is also survived by his daughter, Susan Elizabeth Warren and her husband Roy L. Warren, Sr., of Ruidoso Downs; two grandsons, Roy Lee Warren, Jr., and his fiance Stephanie Williams of Ruidoso Downs and Jonathan Christian Warren and his fiance Dawn Salcido of Ruidoso Downs; and one great-grandson, Christopher Lee Warren-Wilson.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.lagroneruidoso.com.

Recent births at Lincoln County Medical Center

Feb. 25, 2007, a boy, Hunter Angel Benally, 6 lbs, 8.6 oz, 19", to Theresa Tortilla and Percy Benally.

March 1, 2007, a girl, Lezlyn Kay Hummer, 8 lbs, 11.6 oz, 19", to Allouette Moquin and William Hummer.

March 1, 2007, a girl, Gracyn Savannah Haas, 9 lbs, 3.1 oz, 21", to Lori and Robert Haas, Jr.

March 2, 2007, a boy, Guson Gomez, 8 lb, 6.5 oz, 21", to Aide and Eduardo Gomez.

March 2, 2007, a girl, Gabrielle Mia Vance, 6 lbs, 8.6 oz, 20", to Angelita and Michael Vance.

March 2, 2007, a boy, Xavier Manuel Zarate-Ruiz, 7 lbs, 14.7 oz, 14.7 oz, 20", to Kawauney Beck and Alejandro Ruiz.

March 4, 2007, a girl, Harmony Marie Artrip, 11 lbs, 6 oz, 21", to Cora LeAnne Artrip.

March 5, 2007, a girl, Athena Elizabeth Sanchez, 6 lbs, 11.1 oz, 19" to Amanda and Christopher Sanchez.

March 6, 2007, a girl, Jadellyn Shaneya Robinson Olivas, 7 lbs, 2.1 oz, 20", to Emily Robinson and Johnny Olivas.

March 8, 2007, Twins, a girl, Stone Raven Mandoza, 5 lbs, .05 oz, 18" and a boy, Justus Slade Mandoza, 5 lbs, 3.8 oz, 19", to Alexis and Shawn Mandoza.

March 11, 2007, a boy, Jesus Efren Gutierrez Armendariz, 6 lbs, 9.09 oz, 18", to Karen Armendariz and Jesus Gutierrez.

March 11, 2007, a girl, Grace Elizabeth Hohle, 5 lbs, 15 oz, 19", to Jode Price and Douglas Hohle.

MILITARY BRIEFS

Duemmel graduates Air Force

Air Force Airman Lyndsie E. Duemmel has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, and military customs and courtesies; performed drill and ceremony marches, and received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises and special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

She is the daughter of Robert Duemmel of Roosevelt Highway, Kendall, N.Y., and Darien Ross of Roswel St., Ruidoso, N.M.

Duemmel is a 2005 graduate of Kendall Junior-Senior High School.

WEDDINGS ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following couples were issued marriage licenses from the office of Lincoln county Clerk Tammie Maddox in Carrizozo during the months of January and February.

– Jason Michael Hixon, 25, and Destiny Rae Sartin Oakes, 21, issued Jan. 2.

– Billy Burke Stange, 46, and Geneva Lyn Maxwell, 41, issued Jan. 4 and used Jan. 5.

– Ty Landry, 40, and Stacy Martin, 34, issued Jan. 5 and used Jan. 13.

– Alejandro Chacon Rivera, 20, and Lindsey Dianne Williams, 23, issued and used Jan. 5.

– Tommy Ray McCarty, 25, and Christine Josephine Alanis, 24, issued Jan. 8 and used Jan. 14.

– Alexandre Coletta, 28, and Aimee Noel Smith, 33, issued Jan. 12 and used Jan. 16.

– Brandon Paul Slaughter, 25, and Tina Marie Williams, 25, issued Jan. 16 and used Jan. 23.

– Mario Richard Silva, 32, and Mistie Dawn Tricarico, 28, issued Feb. 1 and used Feb. 9.

– Kip E. Wells, 40, and Tina G. Hernandez, 23, issued Feb. 1 and used Feb. 3.

– Donald Ray Campbell, 63, and Rebecca Jo Smith, 62, issued Feb. 7 and used Feb. 22.

– James Harold Mayberry, 51, and Donna Lee Ruiz, 56, issued and used Feb. 8.

– Manuel Paz Candelaria, 34, and Alberta Marie Ramos, 43, issued Feb. 9.

– Donald E. Harris, 44, and Tiffany L. Childers, 25, issued Feb. 13 and used Feb. 21.

– Lance W. Eaton, 47, and Sylvia R. Molina, 46, issued Feb. 14.

– James Dalton Mowell, 41, and Jodie Lynne Mowell, 49, issued Feb. 14 and used Feb. 17.

– Michael Leroy Kassel, 31, and Michelle Dawn Chavez, 29, issued Feb.. 14 and used Feb. 17.

– Virgil Wayne Friar, 57, and Dana Renee Landrum, 40, issued and used Feb. 16.

– Steven Charles Sanchez, 51, and Linda Diane Ferguson, 44, issued Feb. 16.

– Luis Davila, 27, and Tiffany Lorraine Fecteau, 24, issued and used Feb. 20.

– Victor Manuel Ochoa, 23, and Susana Anchondo, 22, issued Feb. 20.

– David Brian Edwards, 43, and Yvette Antoinette Nakaya Beetley, 33, issued Feb. 27.

– Jimmy Wayne Harper, Sr., 45, and Rhonda Dee Rodkey, 46, issued Feb. 28.

– Manuel Robert Tejeda, 31, and Vanessa Arciero Hickman, 27, issued Feb.. 28.

Ann Hughes Clough

Passed away on her 69th birthday, March 10th, 2007. Ann was born in Boston, MA, and raised in nearby Sharon, MA. Ann worked for American Airlines in New York City, Ski Apache in Ruidoso, NM, and for the Santa Fe Institute in Santa Fe, NM.

Ann was an active volunteer and supporter of community theater. Ann is survived by her son David, His wife Laurie and her grandson Roman Morgan Clough of Port Orchard WA. In addition her friend of 46 years Morgan Clough of Ruidoso, her sister Paula Hughes Chulada and her family, her brothers George, David and Michael Hughes and their families.

Ann had many friends and acquaintances in New Mexico and around the southwest. There will be a time to remember Ann at 2:00 pm Sunday, April 1st at her home in Santa Fe. Memorial gifts can be made to the Santa Fe Playhouse on De Vargas St. or to the charity of choice.

Funeral services were held in Carlsbad Thursday at First Baptist Church with Past[illegible] Bob Bacon and Pastor Don Robertson officiating.

Jane C. Skinner was born Nov. 19, 1941, to Herman Hayes and Verna Alice Thomason Carwile in Sanco, Texas. She moved to Carlsbad as an infant and graduated from CHS in 1960. Jane married Jack L. Skinner, December 31, 1960. She was an active volunteer in the Assistance League of Carlsbad for 30 years where she was past president. Jane volunteered 15 years at the CARC Bargain Store and served on the Board of Directors. She also served on the Carlsbad Foundation Board for six years. Jane was a Charter Member of PEO, Chapter B.O. She was an active member of the First Baptist Church prior to moving to Ruidoso in 200[illegible] upon her retirement from the M[illegible] Supply Company.

Hubbard Foundation director James Stoddard wa[illegible] her death. "Over [illegible] years I [illegible] have been keenly aware of Jane's good wo[illegible] ch[illegible] Ruidoso [illegible] their retirement home. She had a deep [illegible]

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Easter is a happy time, a time to celebrate the coming of spring and the new life that's all around us in the flowers, trees, animals and birds.

It has been a custom to color, decorate and exchange eggs for hundreds of years. Along with the deep religious meaning, it's also an occasion for gifts and games, and many of these involve Easter eggs.

The egg has always been a symbol of new life, and people have believed that eggs given at this season would bring good luck.

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

Egg safety tips

At Easter time, eggs are handled a great deal more than usual, especially when decorating or hiding the eggs in an Easter egg hunt. So, before you begin to decorate your eggs, remember to follow some important safety methods when handling eggs for cooking, decorating or for the Easter egg hunt.

•Make sure you wash your hands thoroughly with hot soapy water and rinse well before handling the eggs at every step including cooking, cooling, dyeing, and hiding them.

•You should be sure and inspect the eggs before purchasing them, making sure they are not dirty or cracked. Dangerous bacteria may enter a cracked egg.

•Store eggs in their original cartons in the refrigerator even after decorating.

•When hiding eggs, consider hiding places carefully. Avoid areas where the eggs might come into contact with pets, wild animals, birds, reptiles, insects or lawn chemicals.

•Refrigerate your eggs again after they've been hidden and found.

•Discard cracked eggs or eggs that have been out of refrigeration for more than two hours.

The perfect egg

Many Easter eggs are decorated using hard-cooked eggs. For the perfect hard-cooked egg, follow these directions.

Try to buy your eggs a week or two in advance. Eggs that have been stored in the refrigerator for a week or two will usually peel easily. The fresher the egg, the harder it is to peel.

Whether hard- or soft-cooked, this method is incorrectly called boiled eggs. Although the cooking water must come to a boil, eggs should not be boiled because high temperatures make them tough and rubbery.

Place eggs in a single layer in a saucepan. Add enough water to come at least one inch above the eggs. Cover and quickly bring just to a boil. Remove pan from heat and let eggs stand 20-25 minutes. (Adjust the time up or down by about three minutes for each size larger or smaller). Immediately run cold water over the eggs until cool.

A greenish-gray ring may appear around a hard-cooked egg yolk. It's unsightly, but harmless.

The ring is caused by a chemical reaction involving sulfur (from the egg white) and iron (from the egg yolk), which naturally react to form ferrous sulfide at the surface of the yolk.

The reaction is usually caused by overcooking, but can also be caused by a high amount of iron in the cooking water.

Eliminate the ring by avoiding overcooking and by cooling the eggs quickly after cooking.

Run cold water over the just-cooked eggs or place them in ice water (not standing water) until they have completely cooled.

Then refrigerate the eggs in their shells until you're ready to use them. Hard-cooked eggs in the shell can be refrigerated up to one week.

When eggs are cool, tap the egg on a hard surface. Thoroughly crackle the shell and roll the egg between your hands to loosen the shell. Start at the large end and peel.

Egg decorating ideas

Follow a few food safety rules when you decorate hard-cooked eggs. The most important thing to decide is whether or not you want to eat the decorated eggs later.

If you won't be eating the eggs, you can use any decorating materials you want and display the eggs anywhere for as long as you like.

If you do want to eat the eggs, follow theses rules:

•Wash your hands between all the steps of cooking, cooling, dyeing and decorating.

•Be sure all the decorating materials you use are food safe.

•Keep the eggs refrigerated as much as possible. Keep putting them back into the refrigerator whenever you're not working with them.

Eggs can be decorated in a variety of ways. For a personal touch on decorating, use wax crayons, magic markers,or paints on your eggshell to create your own design; then coat it with clear nail polish to prevent smearing. To make the shell glisten, use pearl-colored nail polish. For a porcelain finish, apply several coats of diluted school glue.

There is literally no end to the creative possibilities for individual expression on an eggshell.

Eggs can be painted or colored with crayons or felt-tipped pens, turned into funny faces, topped with fantastic hats, trimmed with feathers or sequins, or simply dyed in an endless variety of hues.

However, you decide to do it, decorating eggs is fun for grown-ups as well as for kids.

You can also decorate your eggs by using natural dyes made from items you may already have in your refrigerator such as beets, spinach leaves, cranberries, blueberries, red cabbage, just to name a few of the possibilities.

Ever See a Plaid Egg?

How about a plaid egg, or a striped one? Just wrap eggs with rubber bands or strips of narrow masking tape before placing them in the dye. Be sure the egg is completely dry before removing the bands.

Hard-cooked egg Ideas

Beyond making egg salad, use chopped, sliced or wedged hard-cooked eggs to add protein to casseroles and salads. Slice hard-cooked eggs to layer in sandwiches.

For a hand-held snack, in addition to deviled eggs or zingy pickled eggs, simply sprinkle whole eggs with an herb or dollop them with a flavored mayo.

Take just a little more time and coat whole eggs in sausage and bake or fry them for Scotch eggs.

Egg Salad Ideas

Chop the eggs and add a moistening ingredient – flavored mayo, or yogurt, maybe salad dressing.

Then add shredded or chopped pieces of other foods that you like – maybe shredded carrots or chopped olives. If you want, you can also stir in chopped chives, snipped parsley or other herbs.

Then decide how you want to serve your salad. You can spread the salad on pita bread, cocktail rye bread slices, crackers, or roll it up in a tortilla. You can also spoon the salad onto lettuce, spinach or other greens or stuff it into a hollowed-out tomato or a big cooked pasta shell. Enjoy!

The Lincoln County Extension Service is a field office of NMSU. Direct questions to 648-2311 or email palmer@nmsu.edu.

'Take back the night' walk will be in Ruidoso March 31

The Sexual Assault Response Team of Otero and Lincoln Counties invite you to "Decide to End Sexual Violence."

Join in kicking off our National Sexual Assault Awareness Month activities by walking for the right to freedom of movement without fear in a "Take Back The Night/Walk A Mile In Her Shoes March" to be held at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, March 31 at the corner of First Street and South Scenic in Alamogordo or at 6 p.m. in Ruidoso at The Links.

The first "Take Back The Night" event was held in Germany in 1973 as a response to a series of sexual assaults and murders.

Today the marches are held in all parts of the world in response to sexual violence against women.

As part of the response team's "Critical Issues to Success," we are inviting men to join us and "Walk A Mile In Her Shoes".

All men can play a vital role in this process by challenging rape-supporting attitudes and behaviors and raising awareness about the damaging impact of sexual violence.

Every time a man's voice joins those of women in speaking out against rape, the world becomes safer for us all as per The Men Can Stop Rape organization.

The second event is a Women's "Break The Silence" Conference.

It will be held 10 a.m.-2 p.m. April 2 at the Elks Lodge at 2290 Hamilton Road in Alamogordo. Lunch will be provided.

We are inviting women from Otero and Lincoln Counties to come together in support of changing attitudes and beliefs about sexual violence against women and children.

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Chris Robinson, MD, is the medical director of Ruidoso/Lincoln County Emergency Medical Services.

How are Ruidoso/Lincoln County EMS services different from other EMS services?
You'd be hard pressed to find another EMS service that has the quality of people that we have. We cover 5,000 square miles of territory with a network of emergency medical technicians based in Ruidoso, Corona, Carrizozo, Capitan and Hondo. Unlike city paramedics, who can call for immediate backup and get to a hospital in about 15 minutes, we are likely to have a two-person team responding to an accident involving three or four patients, somewhere that's an hour or more from the nearest hospital, and with the nearest ambulance about 30 minutes away. For that reason, our people have to be highly self-reliant and excellent in their ability to employ lifesaving techniques at the scene and on a longer trip to the hospital.

How do you overcome the distance factor?
Our strategy is to bring the Emergency Room out to the patient. The way we do that is by equipping our ambulances with the most complete and most advanced set of medicine and technology, so that our people can have everything they need to stabilize the patient at the scene.

So technology is also important?
Technology and following best practices. Every year, we bring in international-caliber professionals to teach us about the leading edge of EMS care. We constantly look at new developments in technology, medications and procedures and apply those that work best for Lincoln County.

It's also important to point out that our ability to keep up with the state of the art is possible only because of the relationship the EMS service has with Lincoln County Medical Center, the Village of Ruidoso and Lincoln County government. Their support is what keeps the ambulances outfitted with the best technology and ensures that we are making the best use of the people, medicine and technology that's available to us.

What's an impressive fact about Ruidoso/Lincoln County EMS that most people don't know?
There are three, really. One is we logged 247,387 miles in 2006, because we do a lot of transport to Albuquerque and places in Texas and Arizona. Two is our driving record, which after 25 years is impeccable. Three is our finances. We run in the black – something that is unheard of among EMS services in the U.S.

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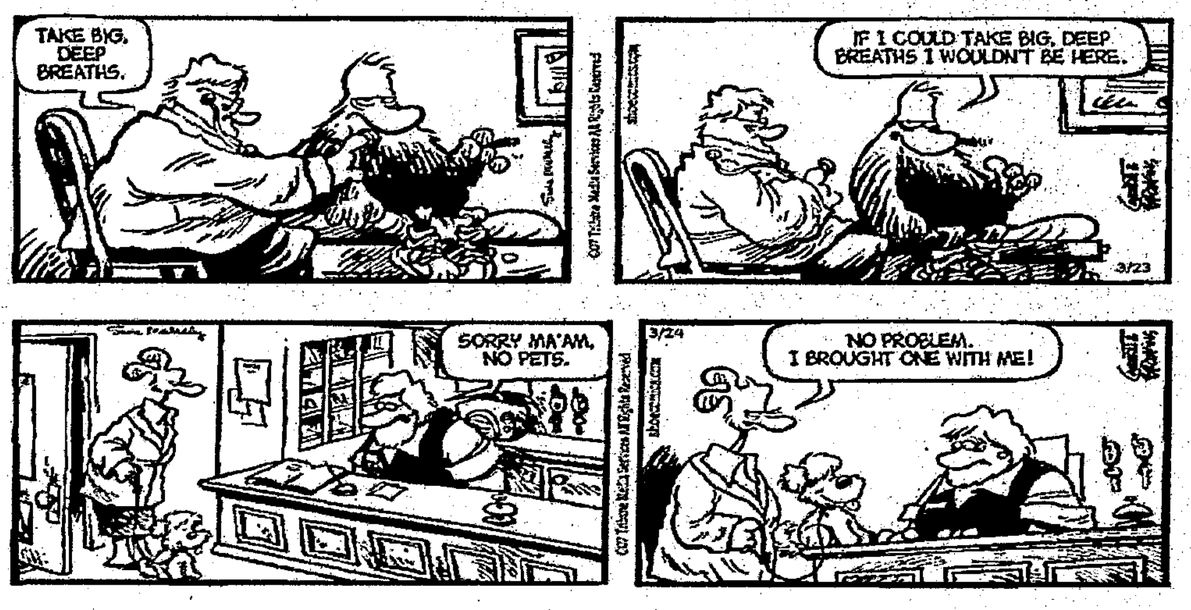

Los Angeles Times Sunday Crossword Puzzle

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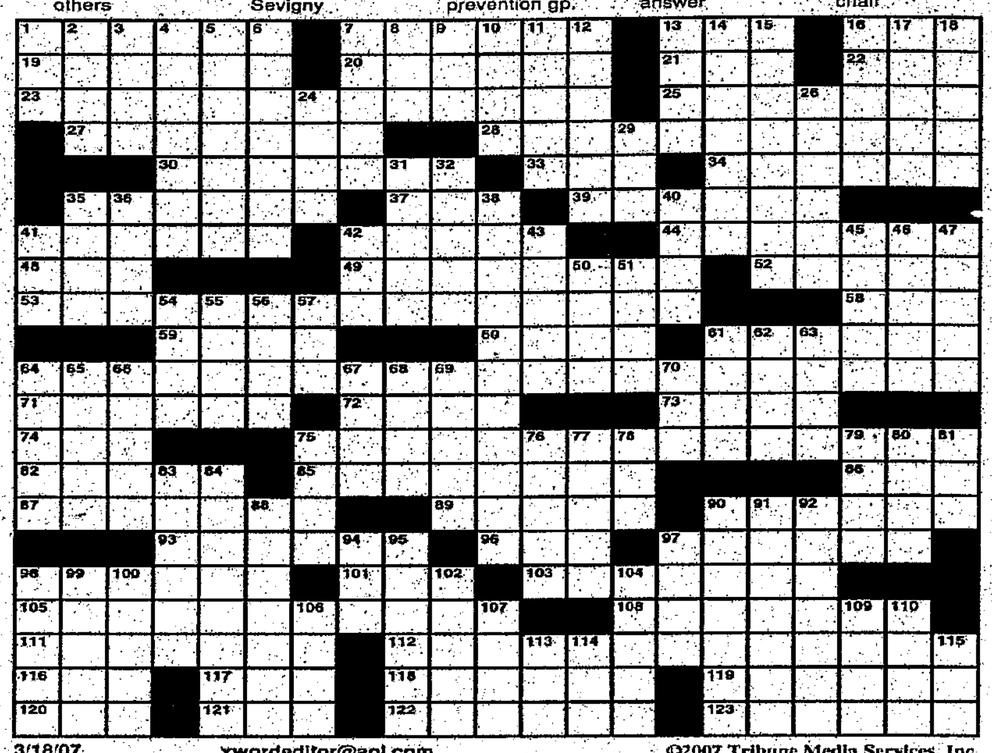
"THE SHOE MUST GO ON" By CATHY CARULLI

ACROSS
1 Pachyderm perch
7 Filled tortilla
13 See 14-Down
16 Little bit
19 Beethoven's Third
20 __ dictum: passing remark
21 Claims to seats, briefly
22 Type of wind
23 "I'll get you the work shoe for your birthday"?
25 Blocked
27 Iditarod figure
28 Sport using a thick-soled shoe?
30 Covert operations need
33 Dark brew
34 1986 N.L. batting champ Tim
35 Penguin's enemy
37 In the know
39 __ reactor
41 Not as windy
42 Bow in silents
44 Hunter's meat
48 Motorists' org.
49 Crown
52 White Russian spec
53 Shoe thrown by a jilted lass?
58 Diarist Anaïs
59 Aphrodite's romancer
60 Clan clash
61 Nook
64 Shoe banned in Britain?
71 1992 Wimbledon champ
72 Hunt quarry
73 Lost drivers may hang them
74 Touch gently
75 Shoe for a flooded eatery?
82 Pigmented eye parts
85 Try to make an impression, in a way
86 Before now
87 Sitting
89 Subject-to-subject link
90 Draining tool
93 Prepared for the dishwasher
96 Brief rule?
97 Expert groups
98 Called "Bon voyage" to
101 Molasses distillate
103 Decides it best
105 Shoe people are always asking about?
108 Ready for studs
111 Excluded from the party
112 Shoe for Kidd's kid?
116 Off-road transp.
117 Former times, once
118 The Rose of __: Irish beauty pageant
119 Coop up
120 "Cats" monogram
121 NFL gains
122 Indiscriminate talkers
123 "For shame!"

DOWN
1 Israel's lang.
2 NHL great and others
3 Patsy's eye covering?
4 Compendiums
5 Campus milieu
6 Old maintenance vehicle
7 Create with effort
8 Blood system
9 Kirk, to Bones
10 Suffix with arthr-
11 Physicist Nikola
12 Darkish circle
13 Recipe directive
14 Choice 13-Across may have to make
15 Clears up
16 Duped
17 Coeur d'__
18 NYC skyline elements
24 Dirty work?
26 Extract
29 Comprehend
31 Actress Sevigny
32 Really want, with "for"
35 Saturday night regular
36 Composer Khachaturian
38 Slip spotter
40 Bakery appliance
41 Draft source
42 Onetime "ER" actress __ Pounder
43 Buffy's first love
45 Film sequel words
46 Pizza topping
47 West Coast NFLer
50 Shivering fit
51 Well-groomed
54 Settles, as a debt
55 Tolkien fantasy race
56 Cadbury Schweppes brand
57 Hijack-prevention gp.
61 Came down
62 Eponymous theater mogul
63 Sala site
64 Drink like a dog
65 Desert plant
66 Receiving department gadget
67 __ List: Forbes best-companies feature
68 Down Under st.
69 "Symphony in Black" et al.
70 U.K. tabloid, with "The"
75 Three-min. periods
76 Impulses
77 Makeup item
78 Take after
79 Oompa-Loompas' creator
80 Deal obstacles
81 Triple Crown-winning jockey Turcotte
83 Unlike this answer
84 Capital asset?
88 Civil War rifle
90 Something to count on
91 Like a dangerous prisoner
92 Draining valve
94 West end
95 "... ... sat ..."
97 Frat letters
98 Get set for a pitch
99 Eller and Em
100 Bob's partner?
102 Having a wavy pattern
104 Sporting weapons
106 Action figures?
107 Prefix with apple
109 Somme state
110 Pad
113 Dist. from the ground
114 It's in the bag
115 Utterance while jumping on a chair



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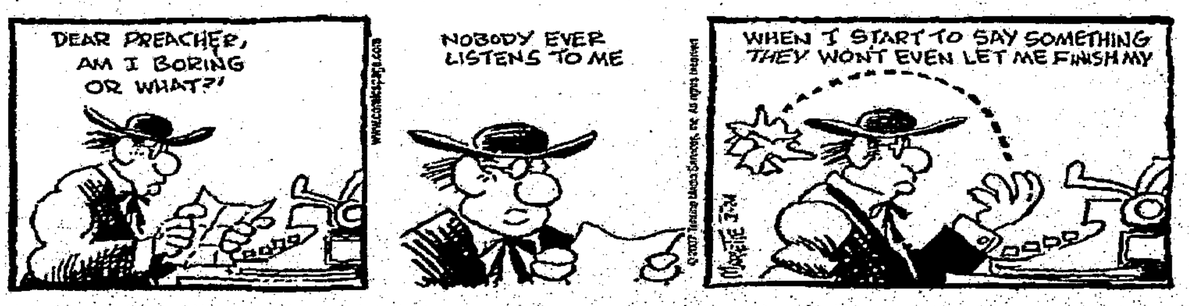

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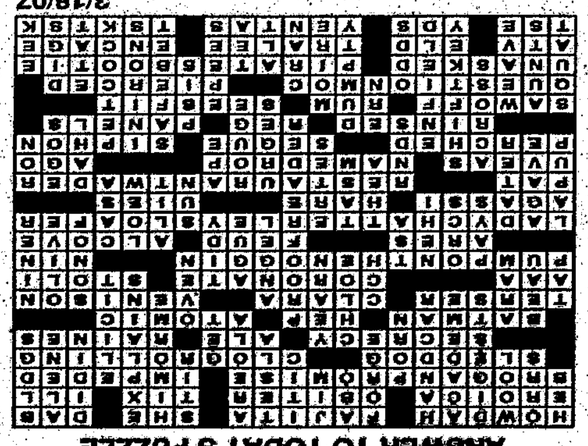

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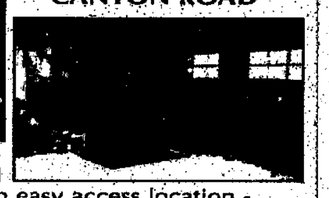

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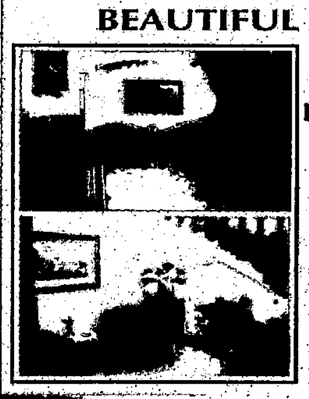

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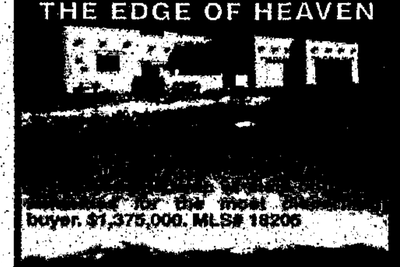

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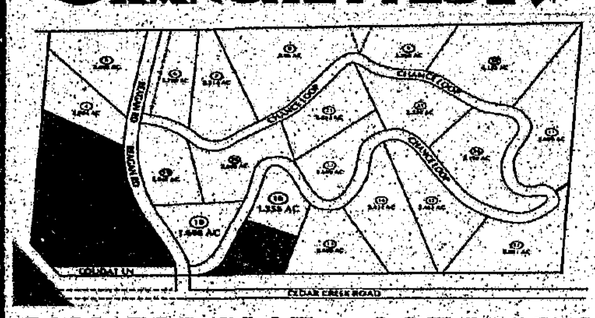

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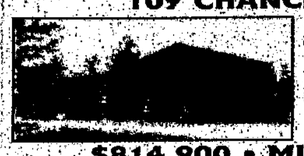

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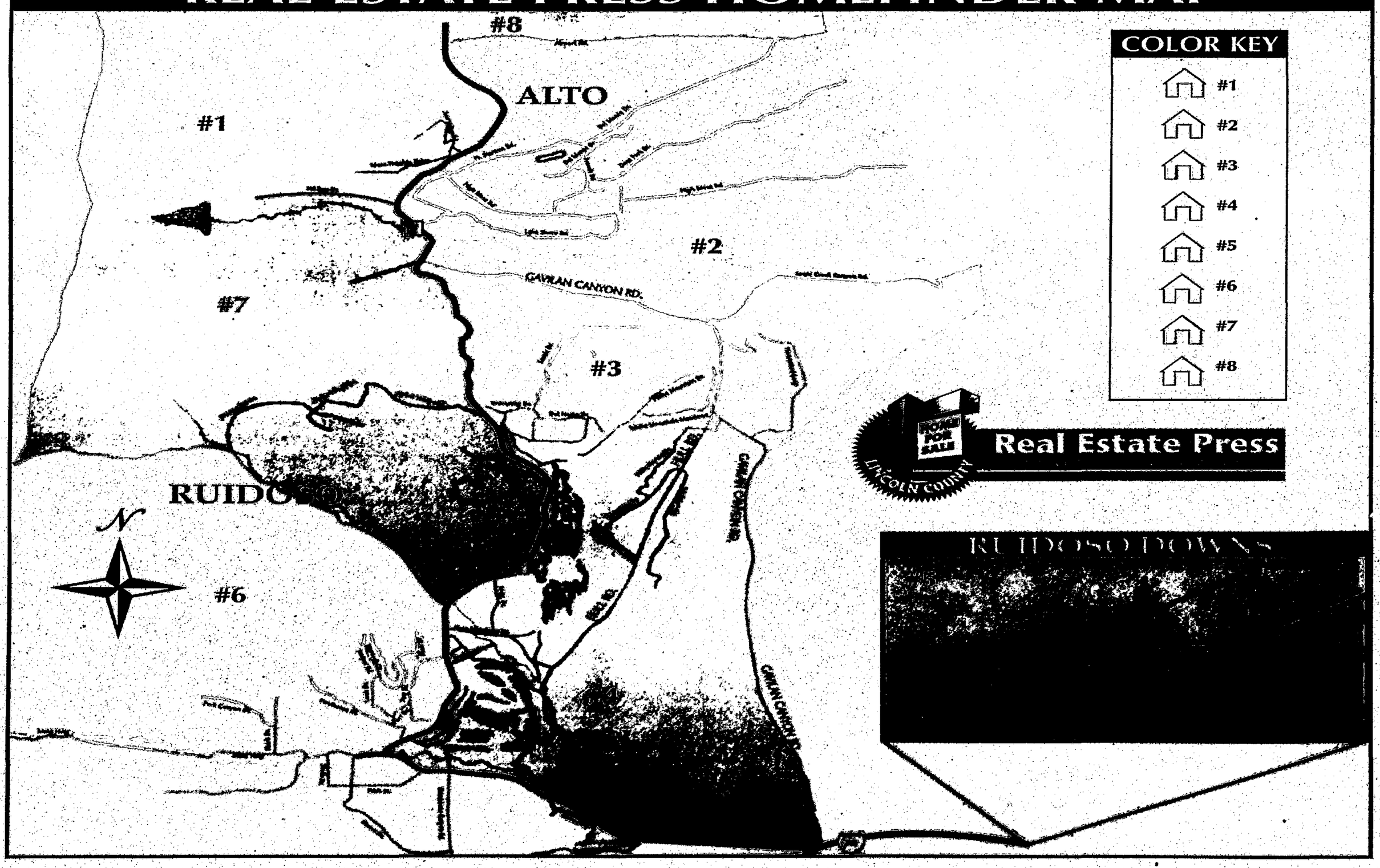

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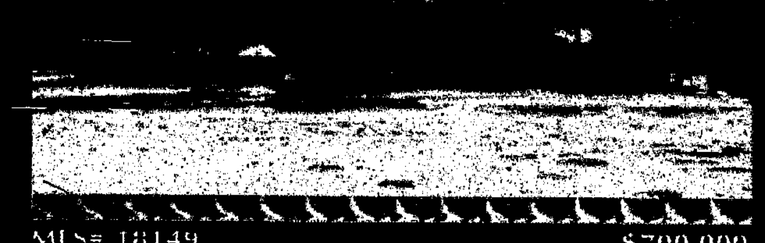


MLS# 18149 $700,000
FANTASTIC ALTO IN EAGLE CREEK, main house, 2 guest houses, apt, [illegible] 2 workshops, shop. Beautiful acreage, paved drive. [illegible] appraisal, good condition but dated. Horses

MECHEM FRONTAGE

MLS# 10693 $850,000
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. 3K SELLING BONUS!!

HISTORIC LINCOLN DISTRICT

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.

ALTO

MLS# 17597
FANTASTIC CUSTOM TERRITORIAL NEW MEXICAN HOME. Six [illegible] 1,400 sq.ft. guest house, landscaped, drip irrigation [illegible] & fireplace, stainless grill, granite counters, gour- [illegible] heat, ref A/C. Call LO for packet. 2 golf

ALTO

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. $233,000 upgrade to golf membership, buyer pays transfers.

ALTO

MLS# 15776
Exquisite home, completely furnished with high end furnishings throughout. 2 masters, 2 living areas, triple garage, granite counters, decorator items, 8 ft. doors, high ceilings. 3/4 acre lot, seller will upgrade to golf at closing.

MECHEM FRONTAGE

MLS# 15943 $639,000
[illegible] is remodeled in 2002 with mountain [illegible] Mechem frontage, over 6,000 sq.ft. Great [illegible] retreat, furnished, easy access.

RANCHES OF SONTERRA

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-door heat, A/C.

MLS# 18385 $134,500
VERY CLEAN, REMODELED CONDO. New carpet, blinds, ceiling fans, and kitchen tile. Fireplace. 3 bedr. 2 1/2 bath. Includes all furniture, TV's and appliances. Only $84.48 per sq.ft.

ALTO

MLS# 17222
[illegible] HOMES IN ALTO! Blue Max [illegible] & A/C. Open floor [illegible]

SIERRA BLANCA VIEW

MLS# 17941
TUSCAN VILLA W/ SIERRA BLANCA VIEW FROM EVERY ROOM. Exclusive gated community, Buena Vista Estates. Immaculate 4 bedroom, 2 living areas, office. Cabinets by Kristus. El Paso hand troweled walls, stucco, 2 fireplaces, wood floors, granite tops.

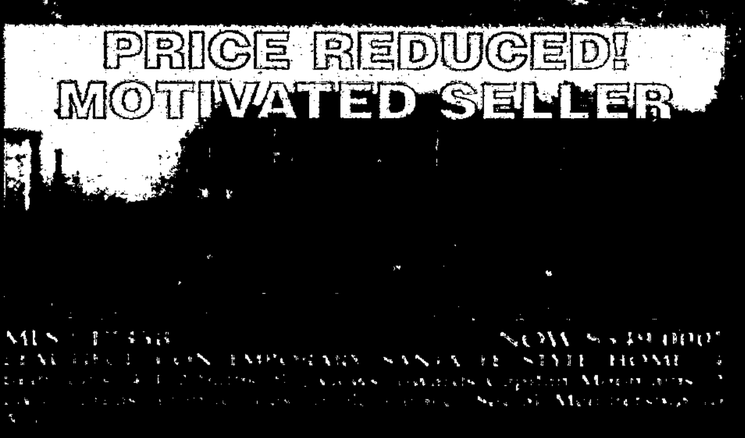
ALTO

MLS#16034 $739,000
WELL KEPT ONE LEVEL HOME with golf membership. Two living areas and triple garage. 3 fireplaces, A/C, courtyard, paved drive, office, stucco with tile roof.

ALTO

MLS# [illegible]
[illegible] HOME FOR SALE! [illegible]

PRICE REDUCED! MOTIVATED SELLER



MLS# 17356 NOW $549,000!
[illegible] ON EMPORARY SANTA FE STYLE HOME. [illegible] Capitan Mountains [illegible] Sierra Blanca [illegible]

SIERRA BLANCA VIEW

MLS# 16996 $[illegible]
CHARMING ONE LEVEL HOME WITH SIERRA BLANCA VIEW. Close to town with fireplace and paved drive. Large deck. [illegible] Street, turn right on K Street, turn [illegible] on the right.

ALTO

COMMERCIAL MID-TOWN ACREAGE

HWY 48 FRONTAGE

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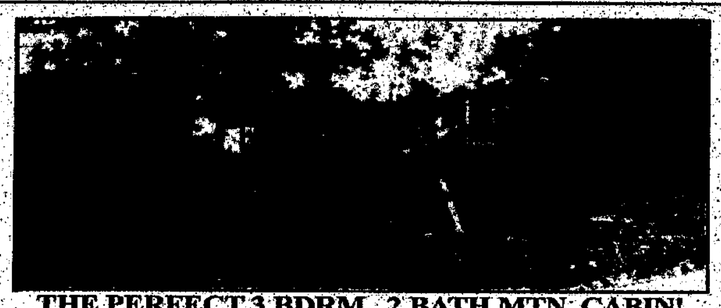
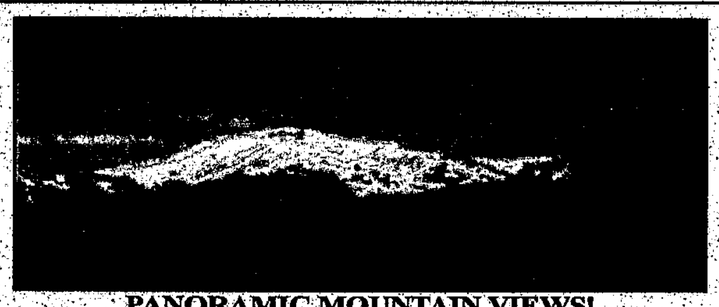
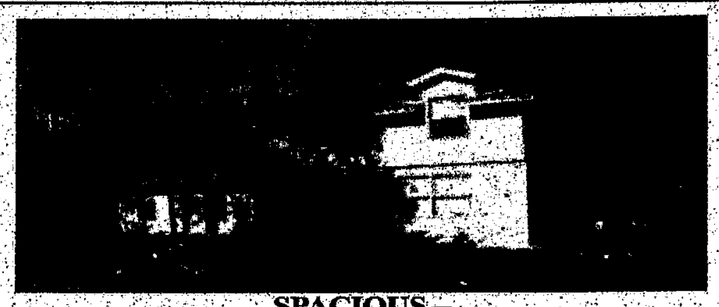


THE PERFECT 3 BDRM., 2 BATH MTN. CABIN!
Fully furnished/on tree covered lot. Free standing fireplace with lots of wood in the interior. All the modern conveniences. Must see! **$179,000.** #17033.



PANORAMIC MOUNTAIN VIEWS!
Spacious 4 bdrm. custom condo. Open living w/FP, fun game room w/FP & pool table. Furnished to the tee! Good rental history. Just bring your bags & you're ready! **$232,000.** #18923.



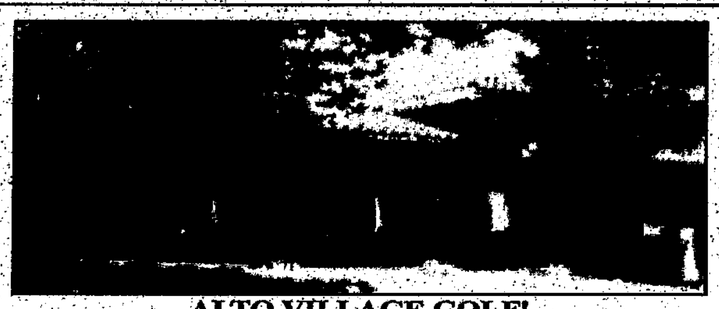
SPACIOUS –
4 bdrm., 2-3/4 bath + 1/2 bath home with 2 living rooms, dining & breakfast nook & large redwood deck makes for ease of living. Level lot, easy access & convenient to shopping. **$259,900.** #16964.

GOOD RENTAL HISTORY
Recently remodeled 3 bedroom, 2 bath home, quiet neighborhood, pool table, hot tub, game room & soft Sierra Blanca views. Approx. 2300 sq. ft. This one is ready to move into. **$278,500.** #18112.

SURPRISE!
A lovely remodeled 4 bedroom, 2 bath home, furnished w/ approx. 2232 sq. ft. 2 living rooms, 2 FPs + bonus room. Full membership! Attention to detail throughout! **$309,000.** #18271.

UPPER CANYON HOME WITH TRUE MTN. CHARM!!
This classy 4 bdrm, 3-1/2 bath home is so livable! The master is on the main level for your convenience. Open concept living & dining. Large kitchen w/walk-in pantry. Fabulous decks to enjoy the amazing Ruidoso climate. A real beautiy. **$394,500.** #18886.

SECLUDED PROPERTY OVERLOOKING RIVER & ADJACENT TO *RIVER CROSSING*
Light, open floor plan, large deck to enjoy view, within walking distance to town. 2 bdrm. + loft. Great getaway or rental investment. **$435,000.** #18456.



ALTO VILLAGE GOLF!
Southwest stucco on great corner, level access w/extra parking. 3 bdrm., 1-3/4 + 1/2 bath, 2 FP's. Master suite has great views w/pass thru FP, study/office off master w/deck w/great views! Double attached gar. w/golf cart garage. **$569,000.** #16678.

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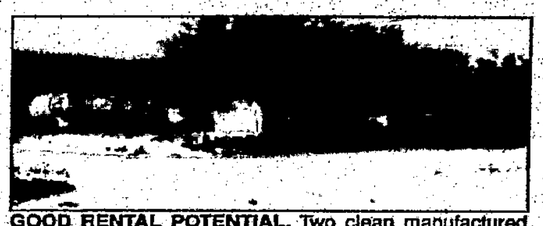
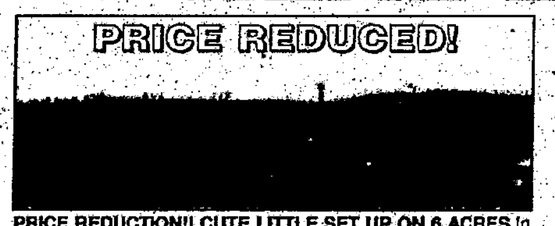
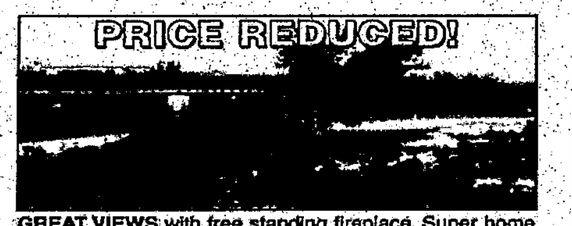


GOOD RENTAL POTENTIAL. Two clean manufactured homes on two lots. Has hookup for an RV and good storage building. $117,500 #17723



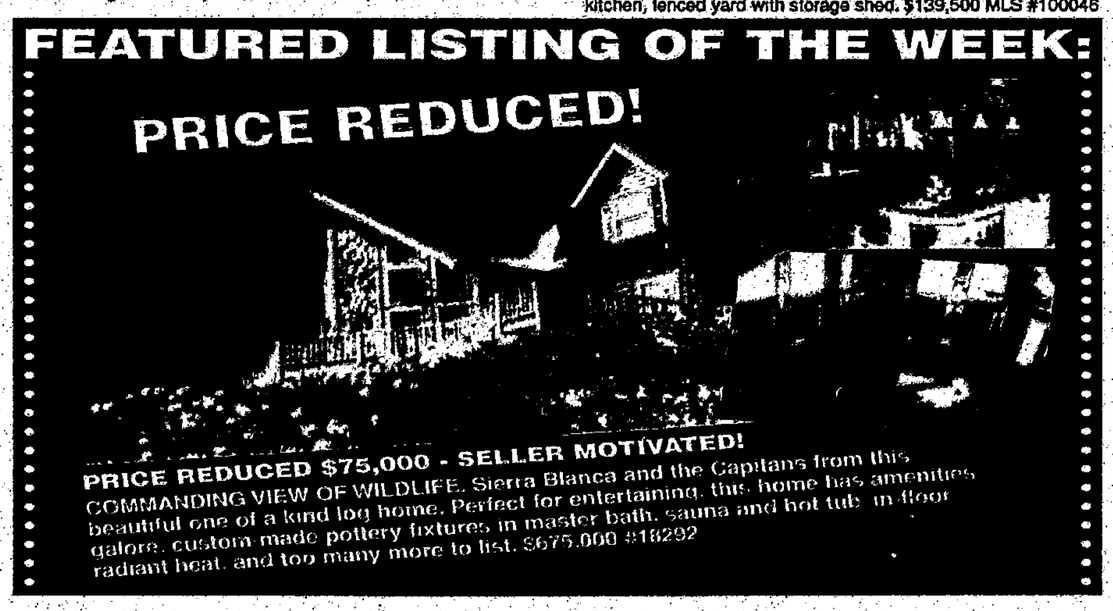
PRICE REDUCTION!! CUTE LITTLE SET UP ON 6 ACRES in Capitan. New A/C window unit, new water heater, stackable W/D stays. Septic has been inspected an brought up to code. Several outbuildings, 4 horse pens, 2 with sheds. $76,500 #18361

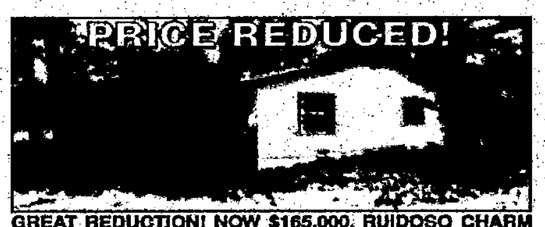
PRIDE OF OWNERSHIP shows in this comfortable family home. 1987 Oak Creek 28x56. 2 living areas, fireplace built in hutchin dining room, split floor plan, master has large walk in closet. New roof in 2006, newer refrigerator and dishwasher. New floor in kitchen, fenced yard with storage shed. $139,500 MLS #100046



GREAT VIEWS with 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. $65,900 #17078

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



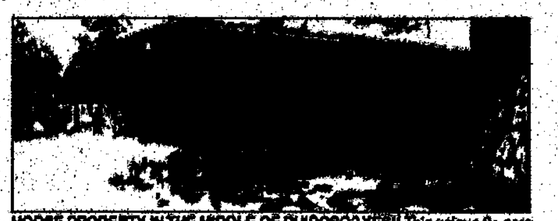


GREAT REDUCTION! NOW $165,000. RUIDOSO CHARM with knotty pine walls, cozy rock fireplace, covered and uncovered decks, large pine trees, fully furnished. It has a great location and easy access. Even a fenced yard for your 2-legged or 4-legged child. $165,000. #17945

BEAUTIFULLY MAINTAINED 4 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. $155,000 #18936

HWY 70 FRONTAGE, great location for you 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

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



HORSE PROPERTY IN THE MIDDLE OF RUIDOSO? YES!! This unique 9+ acre property features a gentlemen's ranch style home and awe-inspiring views of S.B. Superior quality construction w/ native rock and massive beams. Outbuildings include barn w/ office, 3/4 bath, 4 interior and 3 exterior stalls. Includes separate staff quarters. Entire property is fenced and cross fenced. This well loved and cared for home should not be missed. Call for more details. #18022

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

PRICE REDUCED!!! SIT ON YOUR DECK and listen to the Rio Ruidoso River. Move in condition and great potential for rental property. Bonus structure has super possibilities: guest house, studio, game room. Let your imagination roam. $184,000 #18779

MAGNIFICENT VIEWS OF BOTH SIERRA BLANCA & CAPITANS. Very level lot with City water and southern exposure. Build your dream home here. $28,500 #100042

NEW SUBDIVISION IN LINCOLN HISTORIC DISTRICT. Almost 2 acres with drive, good well and electric already in. Beautiful Bonita River Valley views. Buildings must comply with Historical District guidelines. Has shared well with Lot 2. $99,000 #12438

LOT HAS TWO OLDER MOBILES, but no value given to improvements. Good mobile lot with septic and water installed. $35,000 #16711

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 #16786

FLAT ACRES IN SONTERRA! Has shallow well. Great building sites, close to park area. Newly paved road. Lots 375 and 376 $36,000 #16797

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. $65,900. #17078

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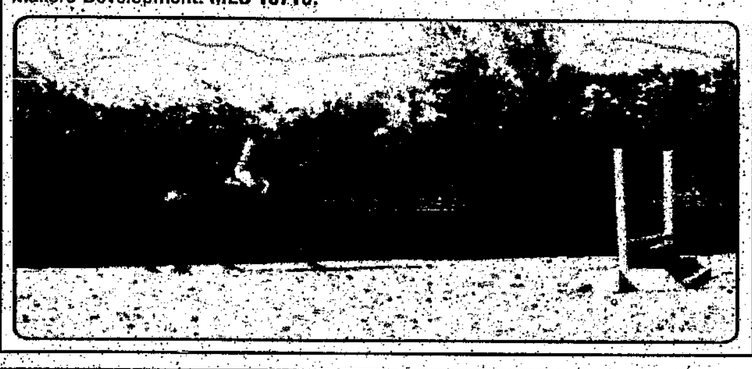
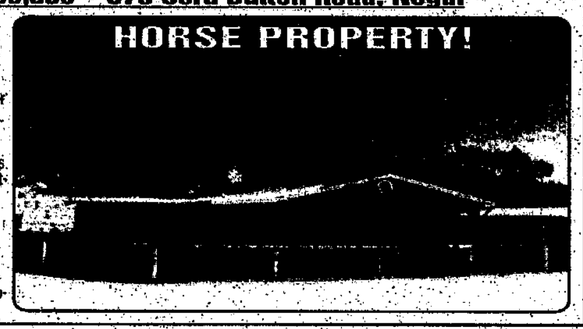
$1,650,000 • 464 Hwy 220

Full care equestrian facility, 19 stall barn, 100 x 200 lighted indoor arena. Outdoor arena has view of Sierra Blanca and mountains. Show horse quality equipment and special features will accommodate many uses. Near Spencer Theater and Rain Makers Development. MLS 18710.

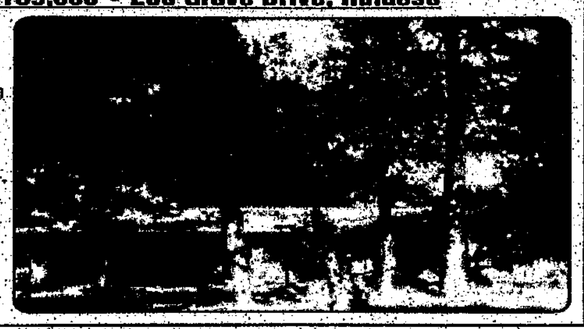


$359,000 • 375 Cora Dutton Road, Nogal



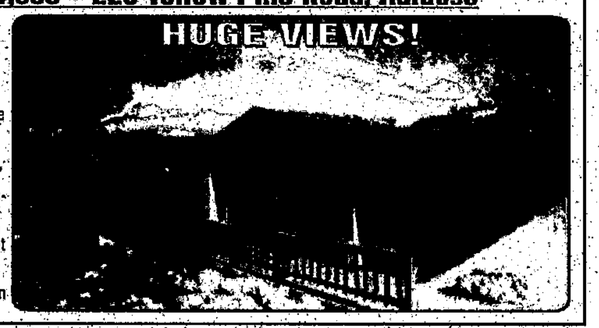
3 BD / 2 BA home plus 7+ acres. Great property for horse lovers, ride into over a million acres of Nat'l Forest! Huge barn, tack room, corrals, riding ring and pasture + 2 large workshops. Every detail of this home has been remodeled or newly built. Open, knotty pine kitchen has Saltillo tile, and tons of counter and cabinet space. Large master w/ separate entrance to the courtyard, his & hers walk-in closets, and a large Jacuzzi. Dramatic views of S.B. and Capitans. Seller will also offer acreage as two separate parcels. MLS# 18688

$159,000 • 208 Grove Drive, Ruidoso



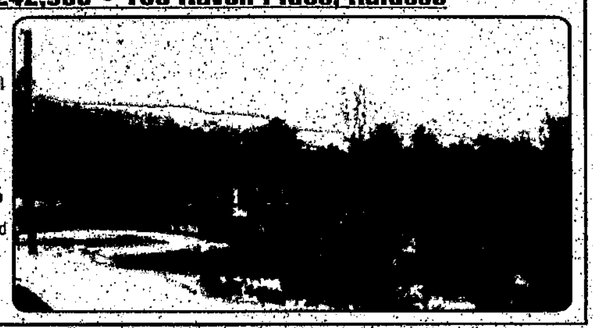
Very clean home in the pines. Great private sunroom, off of large living room with brick fireplace. Open kitchen with double pantry and additional windowed laundry. All appliances and furniture included. Double pane windows, level entry and hand painted cistern. Covered entry from carport and fenced yard. MLS# 1720

$154,900 • 225 Yellow Pine Road, Ruidoso



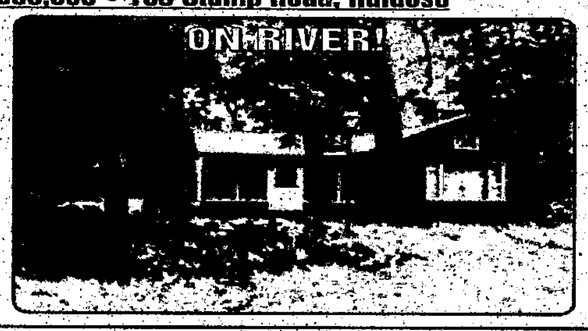
3 BD / 2 BA brand new SOLITAIRE HOME never been occupied. 1680 Sq. Ft. Textured walls, upgrade faucets, ceiling fans, raised ceilings, crown molding, bull nose corners and an open floor plan. Master bath set up with his/her sinks, sep. Shower and a nice garden tub. Sit in the dining area or step to the deck to see some breath taking views of S.B. Quiet neighborhood and permanent foundation. This home is new and move in ready! MLS# 17444

$242,900 • 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# 1867

$585,000 • 103 Stump Road, Ruidoso



Rare riverfront property bordering the private area of Ruidoso Cabin Owners' Association! Rustic 3BD/ with two ¾ baths, red cedar interior, vaulted ceilings, enclosed porch, indoor grill, separate guest cottage and the river at your doorstep. MLS# 18421

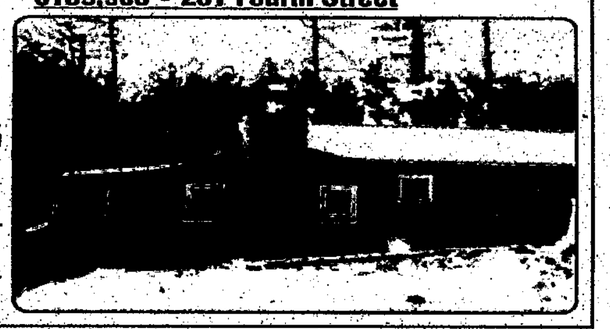
$212,900 • 106 Pine Knot Trail, Ruidoso

3 BD / 2 BA like new 2002 cabin nestled in the tall pines. Impeccably maintained. Spacious home with large game room that could be converted into a 4th bedroom. Already in established rental pool with a rental history and website. Designer touches throughout and furnishings are negotiable. Plus a large basement that could be finished out. Awesome price! MLS 18791

$249,500 • 104 Westbury Drive, 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. Near the National Forest and close to Grindstone Mesa Trail.

$159,900 • 201 Fourth Street



2 BD / 2 ½ 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 sunroom. Double car garage, work shed with electricity running to it. Plenty of storage and a great wooded lot. MLS# 17703

$89,000 • 1331 Mechem Dr., #8, Ruidoso

2 BD / 1 BA bright and cherry furnished cabin in the tall pines. New paint, floors, appliances and heater. This home has vaulted ceilings, large living area and charm galore! All linens, dishes, etc., stay. Bring your toothbrush and move in. Cute, cute, cute! MLS# 18747

$465,000 • 803 Main Road, Ruidoso

4 BD / 1 & 2 ½ BA beautiful home located in Upper Canyon. Sit on the deck and listen to the Rio Ruidoso. Great master suite downstairs w/ rock FP and sitting area. Lots of windows for airy, bright living room and breakfast area. Large formal dining, perfect for entertaining. Charming guest cabin for out of town visitors. Garage has large loft for extra storage. Three building lots, house sits on one.

$188,000 • 116 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# 18360

$154,000 • 303 Brady 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

$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

$244,900 • 108 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

$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

$189,500 • 108 Jack Little Cr., B14, Ruidoso

3 BD / 3-½ BA updated beautiful, fully furnished condominium w/ views of S.B. Great home for entertaining with 3rd bedroom converted into a game room. This home is extremely clean and tastefully decorated. Three covered decks to enjoy the views. Fees include onsite management, water, sewer/trash, cable and exterior maintenance.

$160,000 7.53 Acres in Capitan with gorgeous views. Level, buildable lot with trees. Super location, close to Capitan. Make offer!! MLS# 14623

$44,900 000 287 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 508, records of the Lincoln County, State of New Mexico. MLS# 17101

$30,000 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

$230,000 225 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

$80,000 0044 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# 19096

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$110,000 6 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

$29,000 Lot 36 King Richard Dr. Expansive wooded and valley views. Near National Forest. Cleared and certified for fire safety. All city utilities. MLS# 16118

$129,000-$140,000 Big 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.

$107,000 108 N. Billy 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 plan. Sellers are motivated!! MLS 18362

$21,000 121 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# 18418

$150,000 108 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# 17786

$140,000 304 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 Whiteley. Can't last! MLS# 18726

$130,000 140 NM Country Road, Alto 9.28 wooded acres across from Rainmakers Dev. Rainmakers com. Water. Access from (0003) Paso Monte and Hill Country. . .street is street. Beautiful, big, big views and very buildable. Horses okay. Very private, easy access. MLS# 19065

$129,000 209 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

$123,000 116 Lance 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# 16956

$90,000 702 White Mountain Drive, #2 1 BD / 1 BA Rarely on the market Palisades unit. Great rental unit or full time home. Centrally located with easy access year round. Large master bedroom with access to community club House. Vaulted ceilings, gas fireplace and furnished! Ready to move in! MLS# 17702

$195,000 West Lake, 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

$90,000 Nogal Canyon Trail 1 - 10+ acres with great views from this ready to build location. Heavily wooded w/lots of Ponderosa Pines. 337ft of National Forest frontage. Only 17 miles to Ruidoso. Many different building locations. Additional 9.89 acres available. See MLS 18062 and 18063. MLS# 18061

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$100,000 Nogal Canyon Trail 1 and 2: 20+ acres with beautiful views on these two tracts of land. Plenty of great building sites. Roads are cut and multiple building lots are ready. Heavily wooded. 674ft of National Forest frontage. Only 17 miles from Ruidoso. Great property. MLS# 18063

$195,000 113 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 quiet location, would make a super horse property. 8'x12' workshed with electric. MLS# 18066

$124,000 213 Wheatfield Road 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

$245,000 000 18, Hwy 48 3 BD / 2 BA home on beautiful property Zoned R-3 currently occupied as residence with 1800 sq.ft. And workshop/garage, land is already subdivided and can be purchased separately. Refer to MLS Nos. 16090, 16091 and 16094. Great commercial or residential property MLS 16217

$229,000 1111 Main Road, Ruidoso 3 BD / 2 BA home completely remodeled and fully furnished located in the Upper Canyon. Great location across from the river. Large new deck. Very private setting on a large wooded corner lot. Two entrances. New aerobic septic system. A must see! MLS# 19069

$195,000 128 Butler Road, 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. Zoned C3: No setbacks and no parking required. Located directly behind Misty M. Gourmet!

$190,000 118 White Pine 4 BD / 1-¾ BA wonderful home on quiet wooded lot that backs up to the National Forest. 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# 18360

$435,000 000 8, 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

$21,000 118 Meeker Dr., Ruidoso .18 Acres great views from this southern exposure lot. Buildable downhill slope, recently cleared to forestry standards. Make an offer! MLS# 18815

$24,000 102 S. Continental, Ruidoso Quiet seclusion on large lot at the end of the cul-de-sac. Great location for a manufactured home or site built. Recently cleared to forestry standards. MLS# 18610

$700,000 121 La Cruda Winds, Alto 3 BD / 2-½ BA home. Exceptional attention to detail in this custom built home on over 10 acres of land. Architecturally designed to take advantage of superb Sierra Blanca views. In floor radiant heat, stacked F/P, gated courtyards, covered patios, slate floors and cathedral ceilings, huge barn and great fencing. 2976 sq. Ft. Sq. Ft. Per Seller.

$140,000 102 Alto Alps, #23, Alto 3 BD / 1 BA / 1-¾ BA / 2 BA Great condo in Alto Alps. Very spacious living/kitchen/dining area and large open deck that opens to the tall pines giving you 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!

$230,000 323 Cedar Creek Drive, Ruidoso 3 BD/3 BA beautiful home in a great area. This large home has been impeccably maintained and features 2 dining areas, 2 living rooms, newer refrigerated air, newer carpet and a huge garage workshop area. Lots of storage and workshop space underneath the home. Addition in 2003 with beautiful knotty pine and large windows. Fully furnished, set up to sleep 15.

$200,000 110 Midserver, Ruidoso 3 BD / (2) ¾ BA beautiful new stucco home, with walking distance to Midtown. Tile and hardwood floors throughout main level. Built-in fireplace, kitchen, dining and master bedroom all on first floor. Vaulted ceilings, art niches and design colors give this home a great feel. Big decks and plenty of room for expansion in the basement. MLS# 18882

$175,000 River's Edge, Ruidoso Terrific riverfront property! 3 BD/2 BA manufactured home on a full acre of river front with 2400 SF garage/workshop, 2 RV hook-ups, mature trees, pond, covered and uncovered decks. Property has underground pet fence.

$675,000 115 Star Road, Ruidoso 5 BD / 2-¾ BA Beauty and serenity describe this furnished home, in 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 living area, open kitchen w/ breakfast bar, formal dining room, vaulted ceilings and hardwood floors throughout main house. Oversize master bedroom w/ its own rock FP. The 305 sq.ft. guesthouse has a full bath. MLS 18795

$175,000 120 West Drive, Ruidoso Downs 3 BD / 2 BA Solitaire home with 1568 Sq. Ft. Open floor plan with front and back views. Kitchen has center island and pantry with large dining area. Master bedroom has spacious walk-in closet, garden tub and shower. All of the rooms have ceiling fans and lights. The yard is completely netscaped with drip system. Double carport, two large covered decks, 12x20 workshop, RV parking with hookups. There is a lot of storage room in and underneath this conviently located home. Some furniture available for purchase.

$205,000 123 Cherry Drive, Ruidoso 3 BA / 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. MLS# 18306

$310,000 Sundance Dr., Ruidoso Dramatic Sierra Blanca Views from one of the largest tracts in gated section of Sundance Sub. Overlooks Sierra Blanca, The Links and the valley. This is the newest, most prestigious area in Lincoln County, with million dollar homes being built in. MLS# 18778

$230,000 205 Colfax 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

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$229,000 107 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

$405,000 111 Cedar Ln, White Mountain Meadows Exquisite 4 BD/2 1/2 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!

$305,000 108 Wind Mesa, 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. The house is extremely clean. A must see! MLS# 17826

$190,000 1430 Wind Lane Splendid views of Sierra Blanca and the racetrack, bordering on the national forest. Nice quiet area at the top of Dipsolo Hill Drive, across from racetrack entrance. Can be subdivided. Horses allowed. MLS# 18786

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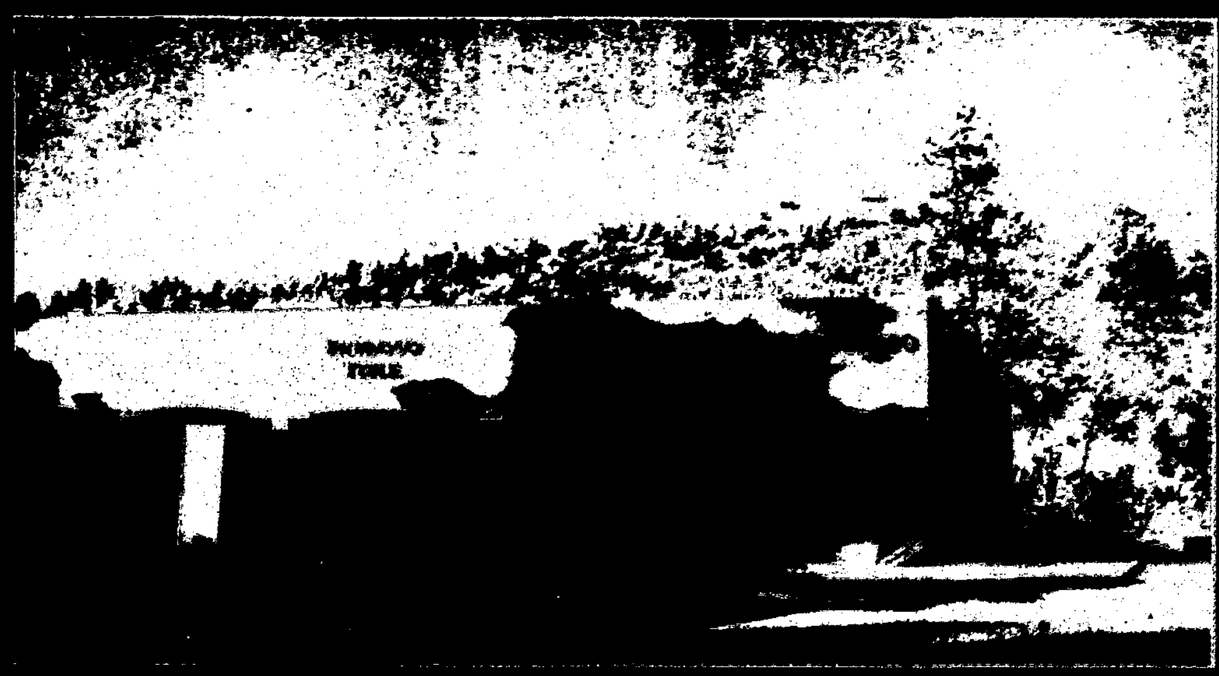

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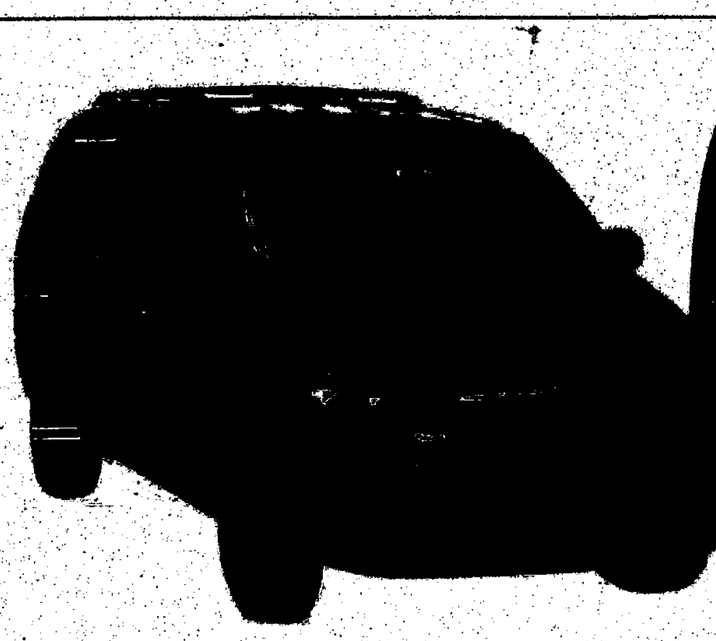

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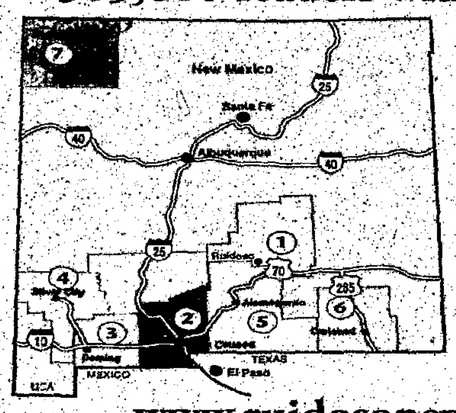

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The closing date to receive applications is April 10, 2007 at 1:00p.m. Agencies that provide human health & welfare benefits, are a registered non-profit organization with a 501(c)3, have filed an IRS Form 990, may be eligible to receive designated funding. All agencies in Otero, Lea, Lincoln, Chaves and Eddy counties are encouraged to apply. Previously accepted agencies will be mailed their applications. New agencies may obtain applications from the United Way of Otero County, P.O. Box 14, Alamogordo, NM 88311. For further information, contact Cindy Clarke at (505) 437-8400.

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TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARILYN KAY BARON Deceased

Cause No. PB-07-03

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 to the undersigned Personal Representative, c/o Freda Howard McSwane, 1096 Mechem Dr, Suite 302, Ruidoso, 302, New Mexico 88345 or filed with the District Court.

Dated: December 28, 2006

/s/
Larry L Baron
Personal Representative
c/o Freda Howard McSwane, P.C., 1096 Mechem Dr., Suite 302, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Qualifications-based competitive sealed proposals for Professional Services will be received by the Contracting Agency, the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce, 720 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, NM 88345 for RFP No. 2007-01.

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The Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce reserves the right to reject any and/or all proposals.

/s/
Brad Treptow
Executive Director
Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF RAYMOND L. SCHRUP, Deceased

PROBATE NO. PB-07-15

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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Dated:

/s/
David W. Schrup
Personal Representative of the Estate of Raymond L. Schrup, Deceased, P.O. Box 903, Capitan, New Mexico 88316

Attorney for Personal Representative, Charles E. Hawthorne, 900 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, NM 88345 (505) 257-1323, (505) 257-1327

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TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MARY A. CUPP, Deceased

PROBATE NO. PB-07-16

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Dated: March, 2007

/s/
Charles E. Hawthorne
Personal Representative of the Estate of Mary A. Cupp, Deceased, 900 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, NM 88345

Attorney for Personal Representative, Charles E. Hawthorne, 900 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, NM 88345, (505) 257-1323, (505) 257-1327

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LEGAL NOTICE

INVITATION TO BID 06-07-009

"Demolish and Reconstruct a Concrete Slab" in Ranches of Sonterra

DUE: Tuesday, April 10, 2007

NOTICE is hereby given that competitive sealed bids will be received by the County of Lincoln, to Demolish and Reconstruct a Concrete Slab and Replace Two (2) Existing Culverts in the Ranches of Sonterra, Unit 1, Sandesia Drive. Complete specifications are contained in the Bid Package that is available at the office of the County Purchasing Agent, 300 Central Ave., Carrizozo, NM 88301 or by calling Orlando Samora at (505) 648-2385 ext 105.

All bids submitted must be clearly marked on the outside of the sealed envelope with the Bid Title, Bid Number, Date and Time of Opening. If the bid is sent by mail, the sealed envelope shall have the notation "Sealed Bid" along with the Bid Number. Bid should be sent or hand-delivered to County of Lincoln, PO Box 711 (300 Central Ave), Carrizozo, NM 88301 by 2:00 PM Local Time, Tuesday, April 10, 2007. Bids received after that date and time will be returned unopened. Faxed bids cannot be accepted.

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners will review the bids and make their final determination during a regular Commission Meeting on April 17, 2007 at the Lincoln County Courthouse.

Lincoln County reserves the right to accept or reject all or any part of any bid, waive minor technicalities and award the bid to best serve the interests of Lincoln County.

Orlando Samora
Purchasing Agent

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Alto Lakes Special Zoning District Commission will hold a public hearing on April 19, 2007, beginning at 8:30 a.m. in the Alto Lakes Golf & Country Club clubhouse to hear public testimony and vote on the application of Alto Lakes Golf & Country Club for the granting of a Conditional Use applicable to the property located at #1 Country Club Dr., commonly known as Alto Lakes Country Club.

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INVITATION FOR BID

Notice is hereby given that the Village of Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico calls for sealed bids on Bid IFB#06-009 for one 20,000 gallon UL 2085 Fireguard Split 16/4 Fuel Tank and one 20,000 gallon UL 2085 Fireguard Fuel Tank for the Sierra Blanca Airport to include purchase, delivery and full installation.

The Village of Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico calls for sealed bids on one 20,000 gallon UL 2085 Fireguard Split 16/4 Fuel Tank and one 20,000 gallon UL 2085 Fireguard Fuel Tank for the Sierra Blanca Airport to include purchase, delivery and full installation. Installation will include placement of the fuel tanks on the concrete slab, anchor as required, and connection to the existing fuel pumping system. Ancillary equipment includes floating suction and an emergency vapor vent for each tank.

Bids will be received at Village of Ruidoso Purchasing Warehouse located at 207 Center Street, Ruidoso, NM 88345 until April 3, 2007 at 3:00 pm local time. Submitted bids will be opened at the Annex Building at 419 Wingfield. Any bids received after closing time will be rejected and returned unopened. The fact that a bid was dispatched will not be considered.

The CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be examined at the following locations:

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Copies of the bid may be obtained in person at the office of the Purchasing Agent located at 207 Center St., Ruidoso, NM 88345 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 bids and waive all informalities as deemed in the best interest of the Village.

Fermin Herrera
Village of Ruidoso
Purchasing Agent

#7618 1T (3)23

CITY OF RUIDOSO DOWNS LODGERS' TAX COMMITTEE MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Lodgers' Tax Committee of the City of Ruidoso Downs will meet at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, March 28, 2007 in the City Hall Hubbard Room at 122 Downs Drive, Ruidoso Downs.

Agenda will be posted in Twenty-Four (24) hours prior to meeting date. Meetings of the City of Ruidoso Downs are open to the public.

If you are an individual with a disability 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 City Clerk at City of Ruidoso Downs City Hall at least one week prior to the meeting or as soon as possible.

/s/Carol Virden
Clerk/Treasurer

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88221-1629
aprilh@currentargus.com

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. 253.

Gen. Help Wanted 224

ASSISTANT MANAGER fulltime Tues-Sun. Grocery, restaurant, cook and experience required. Job duties will vary. Lincoln, NM call 505-653-4041

Assistant Manager needed @ WORLD FINANCE-Will Train 257-5840 Apply at 394 Sudderth

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BEST WESTERN RUIDOSO INN needs Front Desk Person. Apply in person at 97 Camelot.

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El Camino Nuevo Restaurant now hiring am/pm servers. Apply in person from 2 to 4 1025 Mechem. No phone calls, please.

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Excellent career opportunity for an energetic person with good math skills, mechanical skills, sales experience, attentive to detail and accuracy. Immediate opening to train for lab manager position in our office. Send your resume to:

Dr. Gutowski &
Dr. Sonnenmoser
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Experienced Mechanic needed for a busy Automotive Shop. Pay based on experience. Come in and apply at Ray's Automotive @ 233 East Hwy 70, Ruidoso Downs.

Full & part-time positions available working with Developmentally Disabled individuals. Shift work required. Phone 257-4672 for information.

Full-Time Cashier. Apply in Person @ 418 Sudderth Dr.

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HELP WANTED at both Subways. Day and night shifts. Apply in person.

Help Wanted-Lube Tech /Auto Mechanic good pay, good hrs. Apply in person at Chuy's speed shop @1109 Mechem Dr. or call 937-3315 or 937-6114

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Ruidoso Downs
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- Landscapers
- Laborers
- Yearly Maintenance Personnel

Call 336-2321

Gen. Help Wanted 224

Civigenics, Inc. Camp Sierra Blanca
A 48 bed Juvenile Residential Facility located in Ft. Stanton, NM is seeking to fill the following Positions:
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32-36 hr/wk, must have high school diploma or GED.
All Applicants must be able to pass a criminal background check required by Children, Youth and Families Department. Please forward resumes to cheryl.ortiz@civigenics.com or fax to (505-354-8006)

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LAS CRUCES SUN-NEWS

CIRCULATION MANAGER

The Las Cruces Sun News seeks a Circulation Manager to design, implement and manage a multifaceted circulation operation that reflects the readership goals of this organization, with circulation growth as the main focus. This position oversees the service and operations of the department to ensure each area is on task and is responsible for meeting annual budgeted volumes and expenses for local and regional properties.

Prefer four years of circulation experience. Bachelor's degree a plus. The Management skills of this employee are constantly challenged in an ever-changing circulation department. Must have the ability to analyze information and data in order to translate it into successful programs to increase readership, which is critical to the the growth of our business. Nurturing the group dynamics in order to build a solid team will take successful communication and inter-personal skills. Fluent in Spanish is a plus. Must knowledgeable in Microsoft Office Suite.

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256 W. Las Cruces Ave.
Las Cruces, NM 88005
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Excellent pay and benefits DOE. Contact Anita Harrison DON or apply within. 464-4802

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CIRCULATION COORDINATOR
We are seeking a Circulation Coordinator who will be responsible for achieving aggressive growth in paid circulation while crafting, implementing and evaluating promotional programs year 'round. Duties for which this individual is responsible include but are not limited to: overseeing independent contractor drivers and able to fill in this role by handling and delivering newspapers; all aspects of customer service for subscribers, dealers and other affiliates within the community and developing and growing the Newspapers In Education (NIE) Program. This individual must be able to quickly and thoroughly master specialty software packages for circulation management and classified advertising as cross training is required to cover the classified advertising desk.
High school graduate or the equivalent is required. Previous experience in a print media circulation department is highly desirable. Must possess excellent customer service, interpersonal, communication, bookkeeping, typing and spelling skills. Experience in sales or customer service is a plus. Must be 18 years of age or older, able to work early morning hours, evenings and weekends as required. Computer expertise and familiarity with Microsoft Office Suite, e-mail and networking is strongly preferred. Capable of lifting newspaper bundles, must have reliable transportation, a valid drivers license, proof of current liability insurance and a safe driving record.
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Log Cabin Restaurant- HIRING Full/Time Server, Hostess, Busser-Part/ Dishwasher. Apply in Person-No Phone Calls.1074 Mechem Dr.

Now Hiring for a FT Case Manager in Ruidoso. Please send resume and Cover letter to kumber ger@teambuilders-counseling.org.

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RN - Ruidoso, NM
The New Mexico Cancer Center is currently hiring an RN for our small Medical Oncology clinic in Ruidoso, NM. Our ideal candidate will have excellent IV skills, chemotherapy administration experience and 3-5 years experience with Medical Oncology nursing. OCN certification a plus. Current NM RN required on date of hire. We offer very competitive salary and benefits. We do drug screening and background checks. There has never been a better time to join the NMOHC Team!
Send resume, references and salary requirements to: Email: hr@nmohc.com FAX 505-796-3069. Drug free environment/ EOE

SECRETARY POSITION
The Carrizozo branch of the 12th Judicial District Attorney's office currently has an opening for the position of Secretary. The successful applicant will assist in overall management of case files in a high volume office. This position requires knowledge of general office skills, effective word processing skills, grammar and reading comprehension, proper telephone etiquette, ability to communicate effectively, and follow directions and policies. Applicant must have a High school diploma or GED and at least two years work experience and/or education in related field.
Please submit your resume and letter of interest to the 12th Judicial District Attorney's Office, P.O. Box 893, Carrizozo, New Mexico, 88301 no later than April 16, 2007. We are an equal opportunity employer.

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Complete Handyman! Maint., repair, carpentry, tile, painting. References available. Local Call Tim Sergeant at Cell-Phone # 505-808-0414.

EMPLOYMENT

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Business Opportunity 244

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RENTALS
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Furnished Houses 350

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REAL ESTATE
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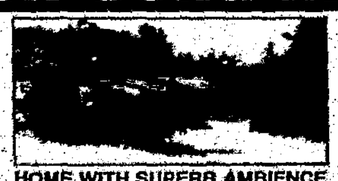

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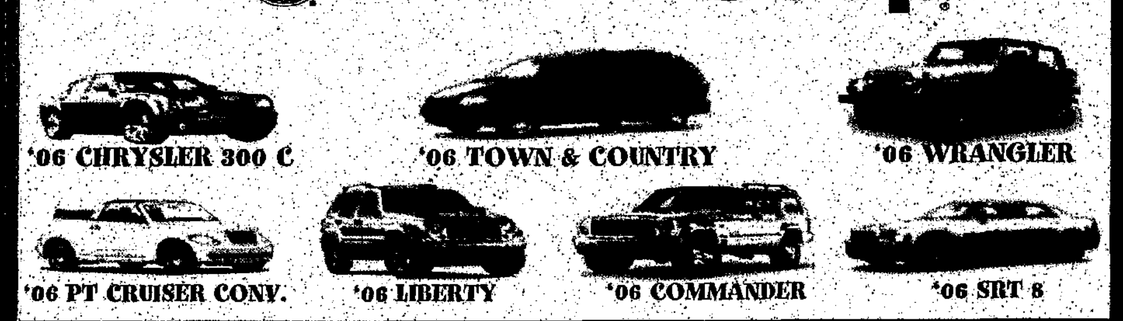

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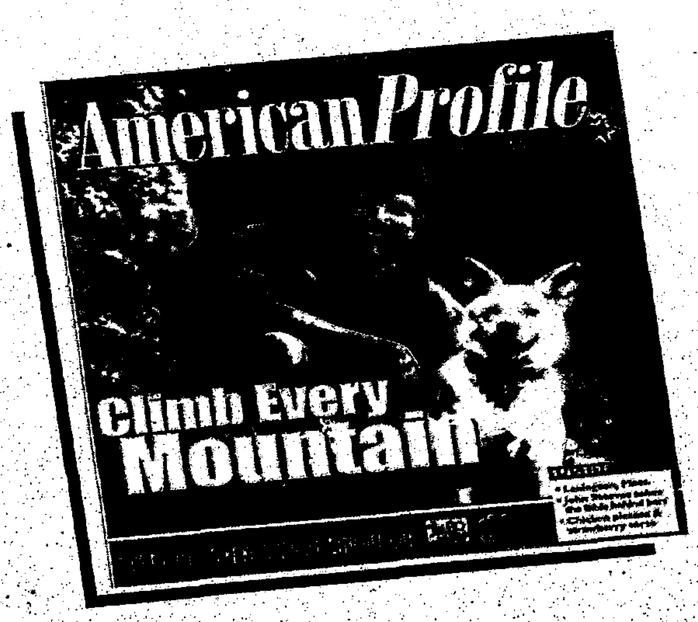

Third chances

For 32-year-old Sean Swarmer, summiting Mt. Everest in 2002 was not the tallest mountain he has climbed. Swarmer is a two-time cancer survivor and through his climbing exploits, he shares his message of hope and inspiration. Plus, the prison minister and chicken piccata.

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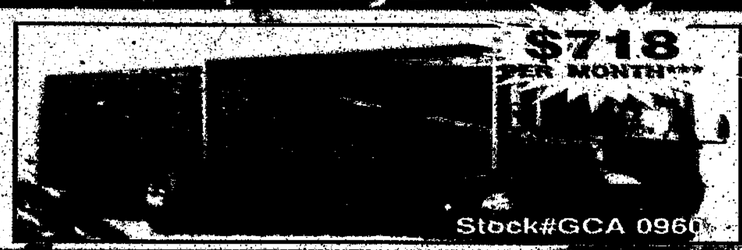
Sunland RV March Madness

A World of Difference

'07 Winnebago Access 24V
was $67,195
NOW $49,995

'06 Winnebago Vista 30B Class A
was $98,330
NOW $76,995

'06 Winnebago Adventurer 33V
was $153,546
NOW $115,995



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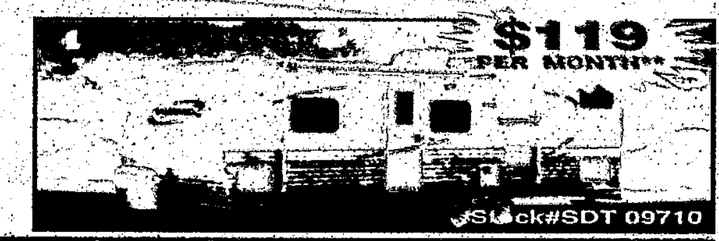
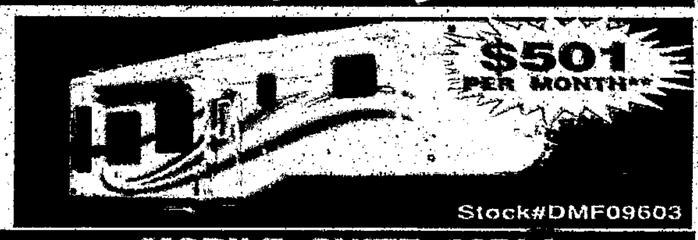


'07 Summerland 1890
was $17,540
NOW $13,995

'Hobbi HB 180
was $26,424
NOW $19,999



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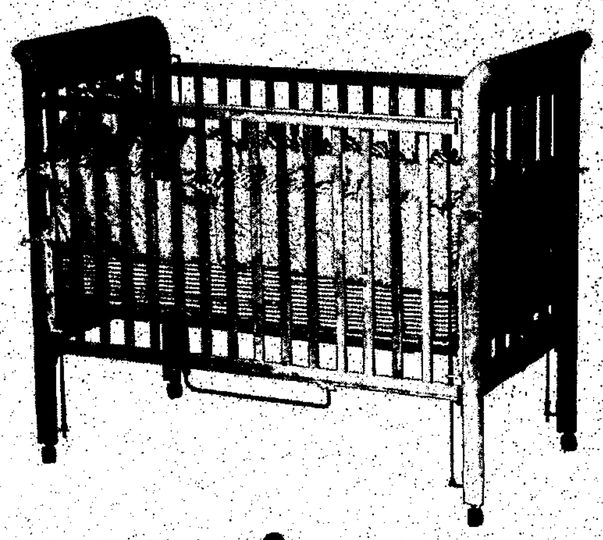

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Ford Escape XLS '05 $13,500. Auto, CD, a/c pwr1-888-257-3832 dlr

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Honda Accord '01, Auto, cd, leather. 915-858-9795 Desert Auto

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Nissan Altima '05 $15,995. Auto, all pwr 1-888-826-5680 DLR

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Oldsmobile Intrigue '00 Auto, PWR, A/C 915-858-9795 Desert Auto

Plymouth Voyager SE '00 $5,900. Auto, CD, pwr1-888-257-3832 dlr

2002 Pontiac Bonneville $199/Month 505-524-4227 Tower Auto Sales

2006 Pontiac G6 $199/Month 505-524-4227 Tower Auto Sales

2006 Pontiac G6 $219/Month 505-524-4227 Tower Auto Sales

2005 Pontiac Grand Prix $225/Month 505-521-1900 Saturn Las Cruces

Pontiac Gr. Prix '96 $3,500. Auto, A/C, CD 1-888-257-3832 dlr

Pontiac Sunfire '04 $8,988. #B70125B 1-888-826-5680 DLR

2005 Pontiac Vibe $13,998 505-523-5566 Las Cruces Toyota

2006 Saturn Ion $211/Month 505-521-1900 Saturn Las Cruces

2004 Saturn Ion $160/Month 505-521-1900 Saturn Las Cruces

2004 Saturn Ion Coupe $232/Month 505-521-1900 Saturn Las Cruces

2002 Saturn L-200 $1,099 Down 505-527-5359 Creditman.com

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Suzuki Forenza '05 $9,900. CD, Auto, PWR 1-888-257-3832 dlr

2001 Toyota Avalon XL $9,998 505-523-5566 Las Cruces Toyota

Toyota Camry '05 $15,988. Auto, CD, a/c 1-888-826-5680 DLR

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Immediately, the Earnhardt's set out to bolster their investment in the El Paso community, by pouring millions more into remodeling the showroom areas, and hiring local El Paso builder, Banes Construction Company, to demolish and then build...one of the most advanced service and parts facilities in the southwest United States. Today, BMW of El Paso is a fine example of how 'investing in facilities' can help improve your customers' purchase experience.

However, the 'ownership experience' isn't just about..."how nice the place looks," more importantly, it's about... "how great the service is after the sale." Admittedly, in the past we did not live up to our expectations, let alone those of some of our customers. For this, we humbly apologize. However, we are back on track to give each and every BMW customer the best ownership experience they have ever had and we will continue to change and improve until we're perfect.

I'm pleased to announce that we've assembled a Team of Managers from El Paso...folks who understand our cultural diversity, our market and most importantly...our customers. We did, however, start implementing some wonderful customer-service practices we picked up in Scottsdale and Phoenix. And lastly, I've been given the privilege and the honor to return as a Partner and General Manager to the dealership I loved and worked in for many years, with many of the people I enjoyed working with, and in the city which I am proud to call "my hometown"...El Paso, Texas.

Now we're not going to try and 'talk you' into believing we've become fabulous overnight. After all, "Rome wasn't built in a day." Instead, we've embraced the notion that "we have two ears and one mouth"...so now we listen to our customers 'twice as much' as we talk...and talk you have! But, we need to hear more...especially the great ideas and suggestions!

Our intentions are to let 'actions' speak volumes about our plans to work 'smart' everyday, organizing and improving communications among ourselves, and again most importantly...with the customer.

We believe: effective communication and training are the most important steps to helping us achieve our goal of becoming the greatest BMW Center in the United States. Right here in beautiful, sunny El Paso!

I'm thrilled to be back, and look forward to seeing you soon. As we say on the border...vaya con Dios!

Sincerely,

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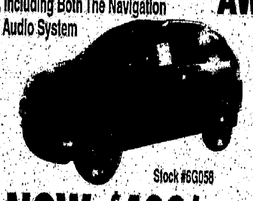
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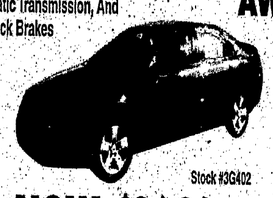
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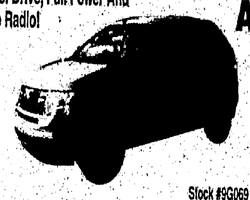
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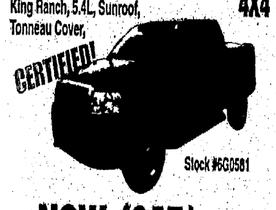
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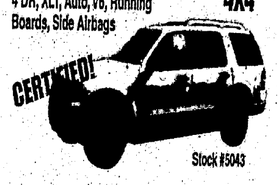
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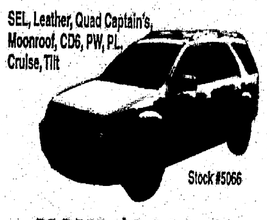
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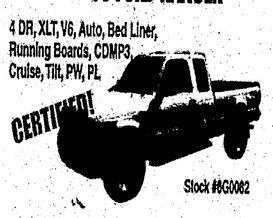
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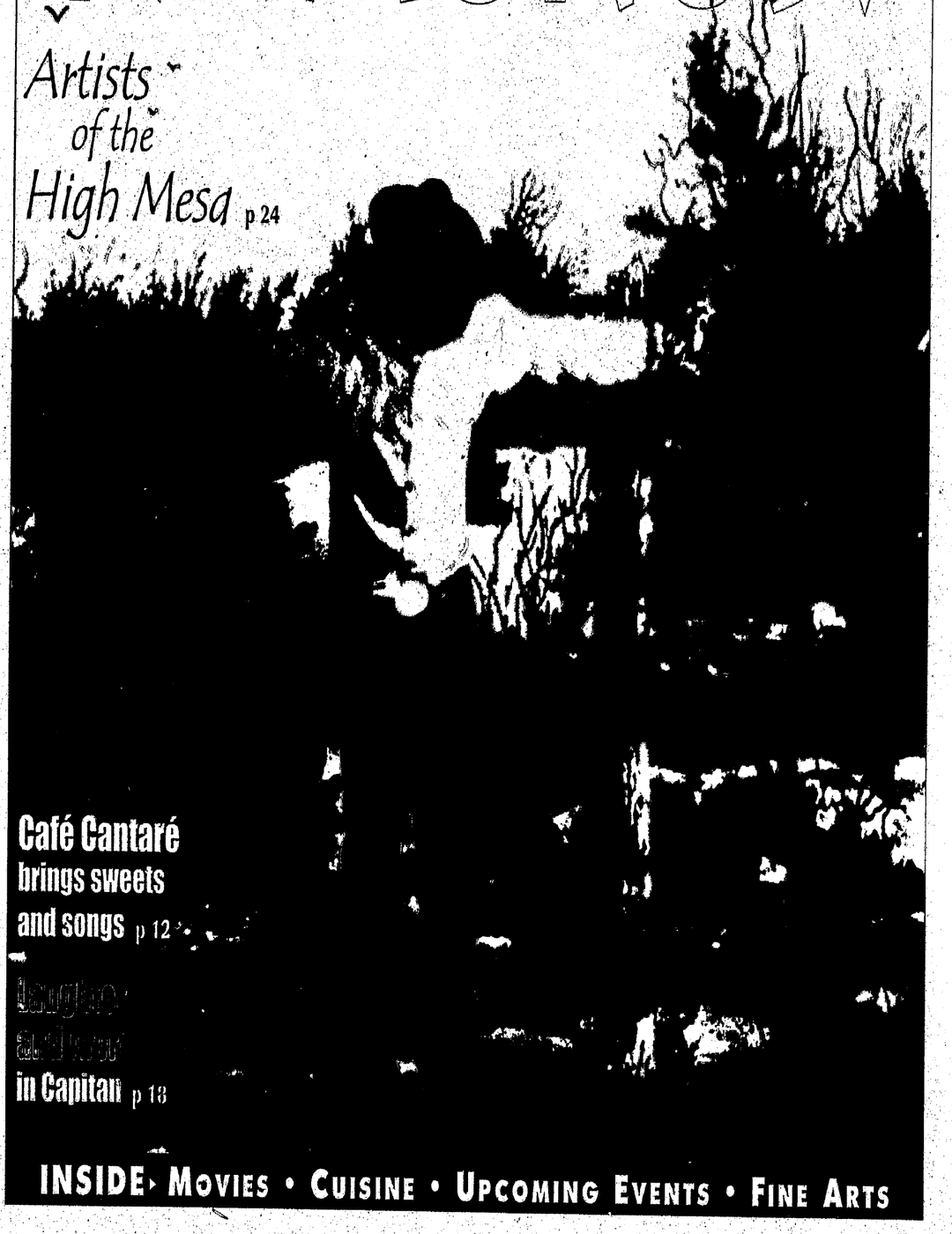

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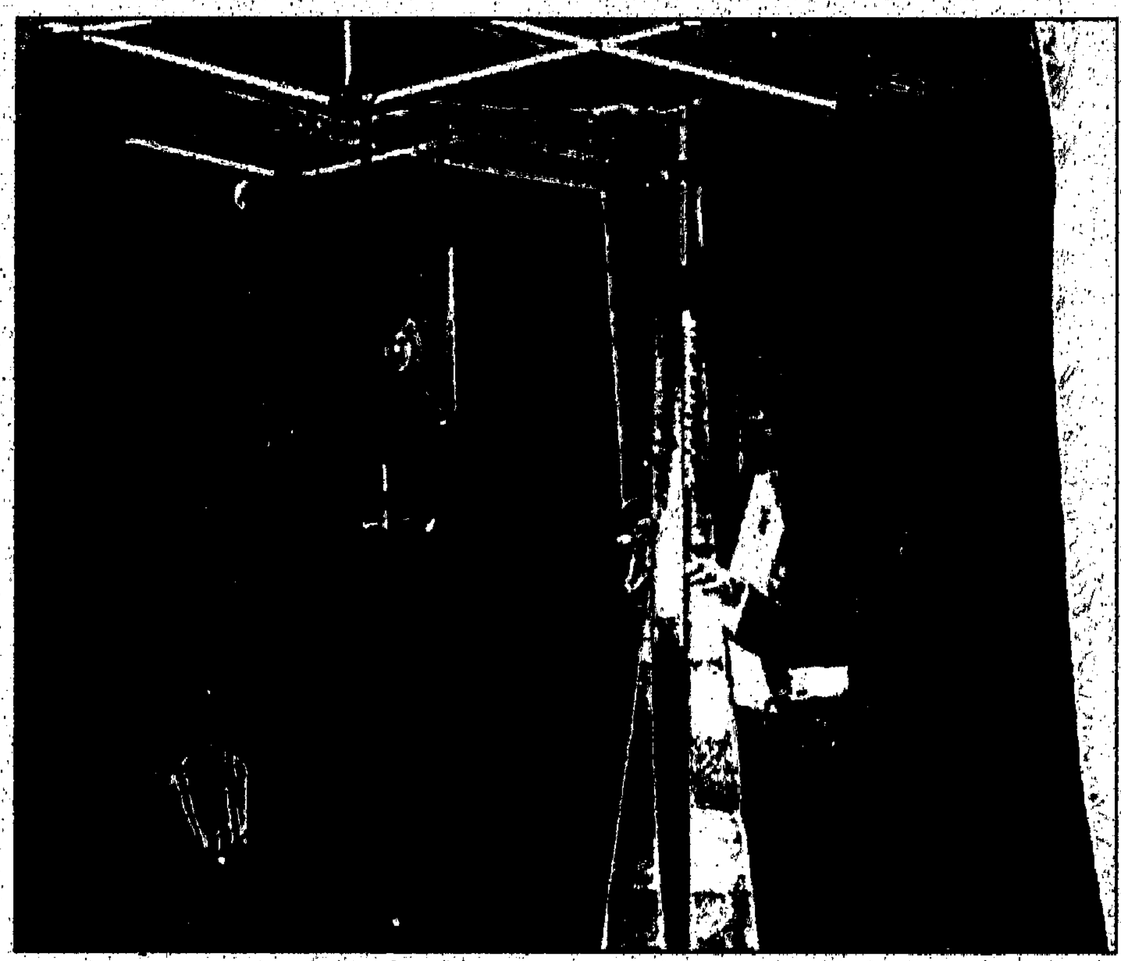
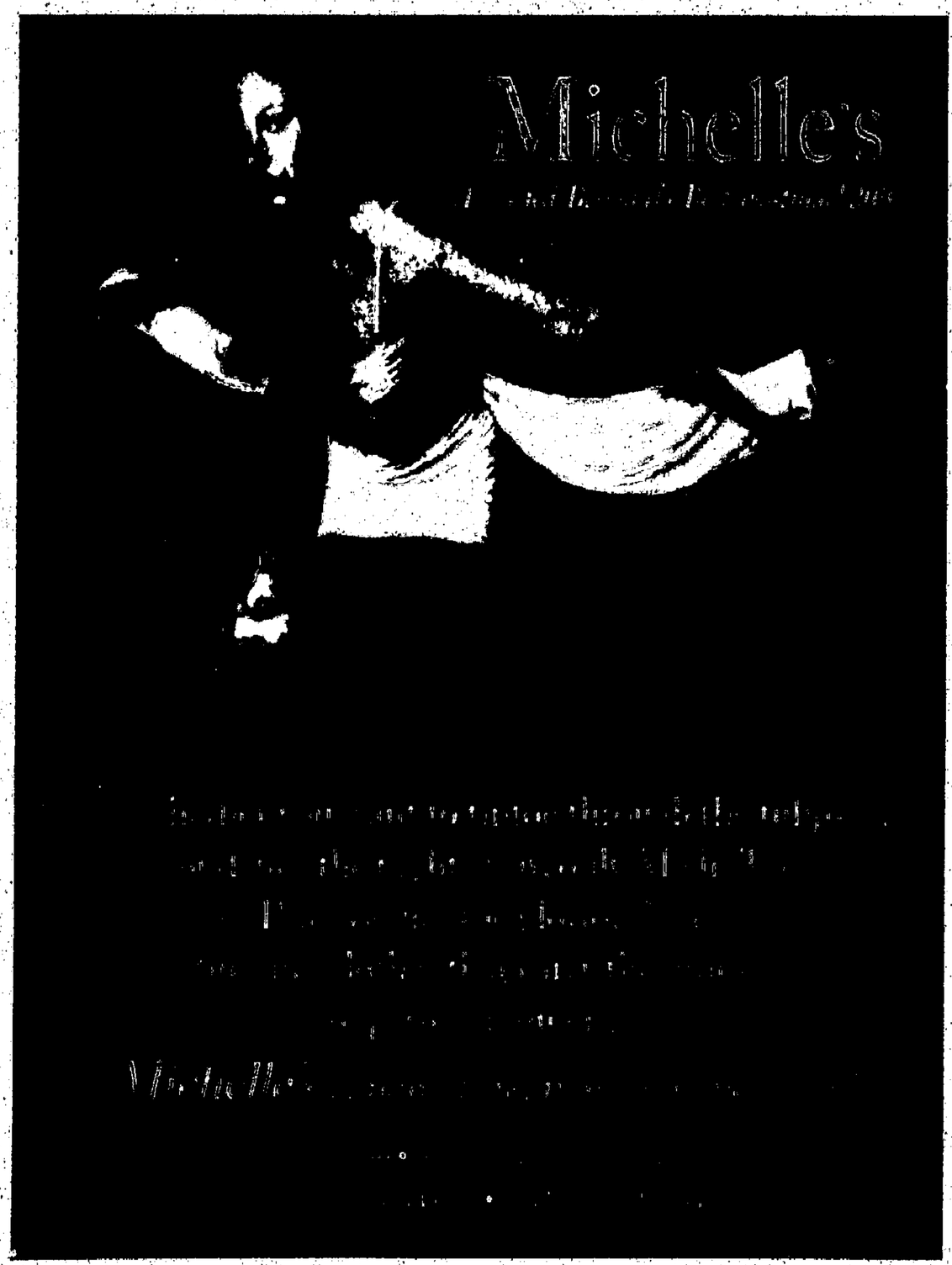


The voices of Don Charles and Deb Gessner blend with the folk harp and guitar "to create a tonal fabric as rich and varied as the Southwestern landscape." Saturday night's concert is at Coffee & More in historic downtown Tularosa. Dinner will be served at 6 p.m. for $6.50 and the performance begins at 7 p.m. with tickets at $10. Reservations are definitely required, as this is expected to be a sold-out event. For information, call 585-4575.



Café Cantaré

"No good deed goes unpunished," sings Jordan Kelley as the witch, Elphaba, from the hit Broadway musical, **Wicked**. *Members of Ruidoso High School's Choral Department present Café Cantaré this weekend in two performances. Details can be found on page 12.*

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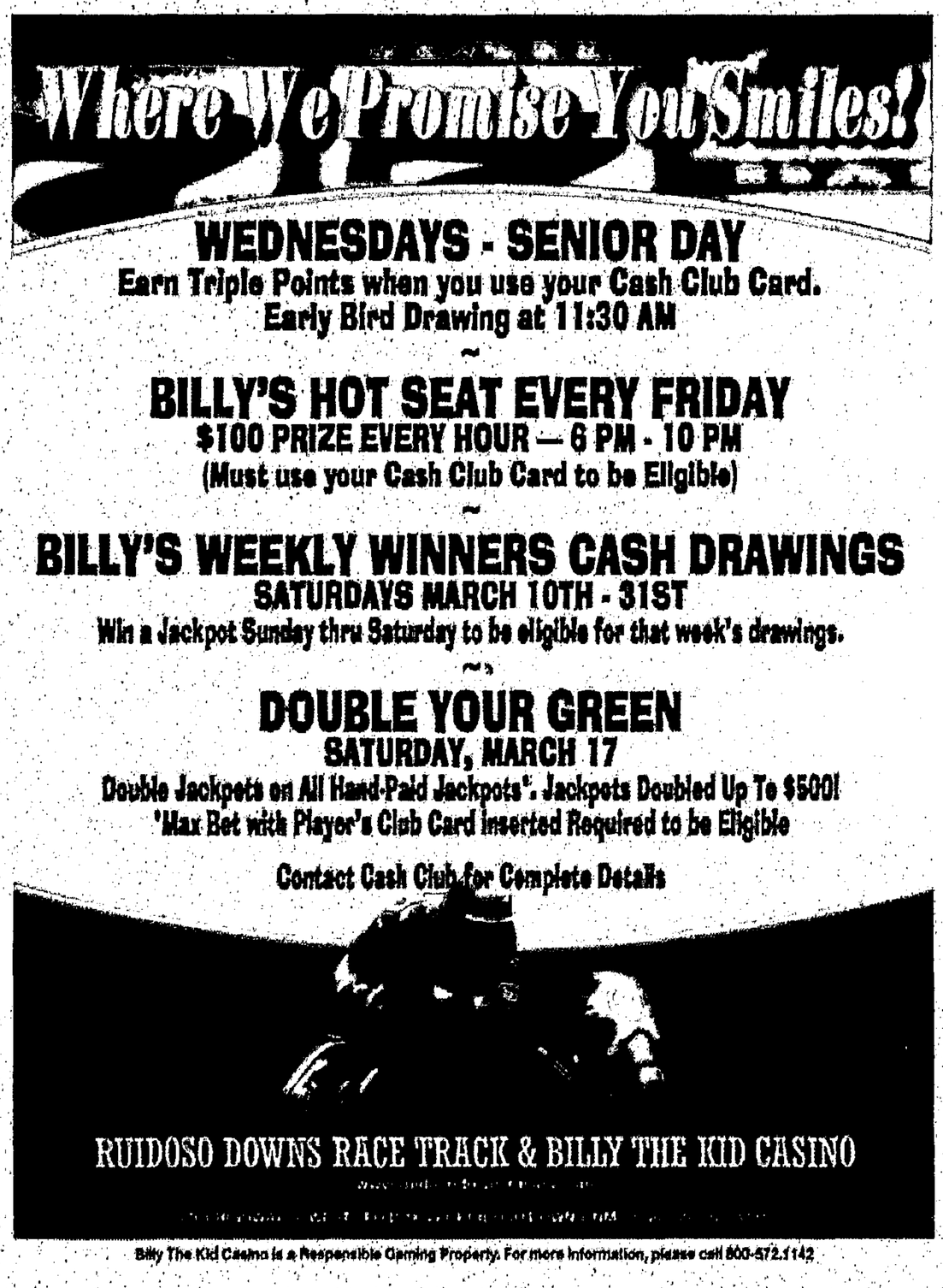

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Performances

.38 Special

March 23: (Mescalero) Hear the legendary classic Southern rockers at the Inn of the Mountain Gods. .38 Special maintains the power and intensity for a great live show. $10-$50. For tickets or more information call 1-877-277-5677 or visit www.innofthemountaingods.com.

D-Squared

March 24: (Tularosa) The voices of Don Charles and Deb Gessner blend with the folk harp and guitar to create a tonal fabric as rich and varied as the Southwestern landscape. In concert at Coffee & More in historic downtown Tularosa. 6 p.m. dinner for $6.50 and 7 p.m. performace for $10. Reservations are required. Info: 585-4575. Visit their Web site, www.dsquaredmusic.com, for more about this exciting musical duo.

Café Cantaré

March 24-25: (Ruidoso) The Ruidoso High School Choral Department, under the direction of Dorota Potter and Waynta Wirth, presents their annual salute to show tunes in a café/club atmosphere as the Ruidoso High School cafeteria becomes transformed for two performances. The students act as your waiters and waitresses while taking turns performing solos, duets and ensemble numbers complete with costuming and choreography. Songs range from Broadway old and new to movie soundtrack selections – from *Guys and Dolls* to *Wicked* to *Shrek*. A variety of exquisite cheesecakes will be served along with coffee and fruit spritzers. 7 p.m. Saturday, March 24, and 3 p.m. Sunday, March 25.

New Christy Minstrels

April 6-7: (Ruidoso) Celebrating 45 years of exceptional music, the New Christy Minstrels will perform at the Strathmann Family Dinner Theater house at Mountain Annie's in Ruidoso, 2710 Sudderth Dr. Dinner is served at 7 p.m. and the show begins at 8 p.m. CDs will be for sale and the performers will stay after the show to autograph CDs and talk with fans. Dinner and Show each evening is $32.50 per adult, children ages 7-12, $12.00 and children 6 and under are free. A double-entree meal of roast beef and baked basil & rosemary seasoned chicken, potato, vegetables, croissants and coffee or tea is included in the ticket price. Info and reservations: 257-7982.

Gilbert & Sullivan Revue with Savoy Express

April 10: (Ruidoso) The Ruidoso Concert Association presents the last of four concerts of their 2006-07 season as Savoy Express takes Gilbert & Sullivan to new heights with a revue capturing the pair's wit, whimsy and essence. Ruidoso HS Performing Arts Center, Warrior Drive, 7:30 p.m. For tickets or information, call: Clinton Smith at 258-5702, Betsy Burnett at 336-1952, Charlotte or Bob Rowe at 336-4015 or Candle Power in Midtown Ruidoso.

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The Producers

April 11: (Alto) *The Producers* is the biggest Tony Award winner in Broadway history, and NETworks Productions brings us this one-night-only showing with over 30 singers, dancers and musicians. $92/$95. Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts. 8 p.m. Info: 336-4800 or www.spencertheater.com.

"Oh, Mr. Sousa!"

April 21: (Alto) "Oh Mr. Sousa!" is a musical biography of "the March King" John Phillips Sousa, featuring a 22-member concert band, 24 pieces of Sousa's music – marches, operettas and songs – performed together with vignettes from his colorful life. Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts. 8 p.m. $36/$39. Info: 336-4800.

The Murderous Mansion of Mr. Uno

April 27-28: (Ruidoso) Resembling the board game Clue, *The Murderous Mansion of Mr. Uno* is being presented by Ruidoso High School's Advanced Drama classes. In this audience participation "who-dun-it," the audience guesses the murder(ers). 7 p.m. at the Ruidoso Schools Performing Arts Center. All tickets are $5.

Special Events

Dog Canyon Trail Hike

March 24: (Oliver Lee State Park) This will be a rigorous one-mile hike but it will be guided at a leisurely pace. Hikers should plan on at least two hours to make the hike from the Visitor Center to the First Bench and back. The park's naturalists will lead the hike and be available to answer visitor's question about the history and natural wonders along the trail. Wear sturdy shoes; bring all-weather clothing, sun protection, bring plenty of water and snacks. Meet at Visitor Center. 10 a.m.-noon. $5 entrance fee. Info: 437-8284.

Bataan Memorial Death March

March 25: (White Sands) The 2007 marathon-length (26.2 miles) march is 6:30 a.m. Sunday, March 25, at White Sands Missile Range to honor U.S. and Filipino troops captured by the Japanese in World War II. The 26.2-mile memorial march/run/-walk route starts on the White Sands main post, crosses hilly desert terrain, circles a small mountain, and returns to the main post through sandy desert trails and washes. Elevation ranges from about 4,100 to 5,300 feet. Marchers should report to site at 4:30 a.m.; opening ceremony is 6 a.m. Entry fee is $50; team entry fee is $200. Info: 678-1256 or bataanmarch.com.

"Take Back the Night"

March 31: (Ruidoso) A mile-long march for the right to freedom of movement without fear, "Take Back the Night/Walk a Mile in Her Shoes" is sponsored by the Sexual Assault Response Team of Otero and Lincoln counties and the Lincoln County Community Council on Violence Against Women. 6-7:30 p.m. Ruidoso Convention Center. Info: Mark OvRick, 257-4946.

Altrusa Annual Fashion Show and Tea

March 31: (Alto) Altrusa Club of Ruidoso presents their third annual Fashion Show and Tea at 2 p.m. at Alto Lakes Country Club. Featuring fashions from five of Ruidoso's most popular clothing stores: Rebekah's, Brunell's, V. Renee's, Michelle's and Corral West, Altrusa Club members will model some of the exciting spring styles available in these shops. The event also features a silent auction, door prizes and more. Tickets are $20 and must be purchased in advance. For information and tickets call Terri Trotter at 258-4615.

Wildflower Hike

March 31: (Oliver Lee State Park) Visit the bajada of Dog Canyon on this Ranger guided hike. This is an undeveloped area of the park with abundant yucca, ocotillo, and a variety of cactus. The hike will be leisurely, but across uneven ground, so wear sturdy shoes with good traction. In the spring this is one of the most beautiful areas in the park. Cameras are welcome. Wear sun protection; bring plenty of water and snacks. Meet at Visitor Center. 10 a.m.-noon. $5 entrance fee. Info: 437-8284.

"Break the Silence" Conference

April 2: (Alamogordo) Otero and Lincoln Counties women's conference. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Elks Lodge on Hamilton Road. Lunch provided. RSVP for lunch count. Info: Tina Godby-Ware, 443-0344.

Line Dance Jamboree

April 3: (Alamogordo) Aloha Alamogordo Line Dance Jamboree is presented by the Alamogordo Senior Center and the Dog Canyon Dancers at the Alamogordo Civic Center, 800 E. First St. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Info: 437-7507.

Easter Egg Hunt

April 7: (Ruidoso Downs) All-American Park, 9 a.m. The Ruidoso Downs Auxiliary will hold a community Easter egg hunt for kids ages 1-10. Everyone is invited.

Easter Egg Hunt

April 7: (Ruidoso) Cedar Creek Park, 10:30 a.m. sharp. This fun annual event is always held the Saturday before Easter. Kids (ages 1-10) "hunt" for more than 5,000 eggs, visit with the Easter Bunny and Smokey Bear. Fire engine rides, refreshments and lots of prizes. For more info, call 257-5030.

Trinity Site Tour

April 7: (Tularosa/Alamogordo) Only possible twice a year, this tour is a must-see; free admission, no reservations necessary. Caravan departs from Tularosa High School on the west side of the athletic field at 8 a.m.; line-up will begin at 7:15 a.m. You may join the caravan in your own vehicle, or ride in a Motorcoach in comfort. Breakfast courtesy of the Alamogordo Lions: 6:30-8 a.m. at Tularosa HS. Motorcoach Tour: Motorcoach is equipped with restrooms, A/C and reclining seats; a museum docent/ historian will be on board to answer questions and provide info. Motorcoach cost is $35 per person, and reservations are required; 7:30 a.m. boarding. Info: Alamogordo Chamber of Commerce, 437-6120 or pmd@alamogordo.com.

High Mesa Artist Studio Tour

April 7-8: (Nogal) See the works of 15 artists at seven locations along Hwy. 37, mile markers 1 through 10; 10 a.m.-5p.m. Sat., 12-5 p.m. Sun. Info: Richard, 354-4263.

Rattlesnake Talk

April 7: (Oliver Lee State Park) The weather is heating up and rattlesnake season is upon us. Come learn about these fascinating predators and how to avoid confrontations with them. Explore their behavior and biology, which makes them one of nature's best rodent exterminators. Learn how to con-

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serve these animals while protecting yourself, your family and home. Meet at Visitor Center. 10-11:30 a.m. $5 entrance fee. Info: 437-8284.

Community Easter Sunrise Service in the Park

April 8: (Ruidoso) Be on hand early Easter Sunday morning at Two Rivers Park behind the Visitors' Center at 6:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome for this annual inspirational service led by Community United Methodist Church. Info: 257-4170.

The Night Sky: A Cultural Clock

April 7: (Oliver Lee State Park) Enjoy the beauty of Dog Canyon at sundown. Learn about celestial cycles and how early cultures used the night sky to time their daily lives. View the stars and constellations in the dark skies over Oliver Lee Memorial State Park. Bring red-lens flashlights and binoculars if you wish.

Meet at Visitor Center. 8-9:30 p.m. $5 entrance fee. Info: 437-8284.

Billy the Kid Trail Ride

April 21-28: (Lincoln County) This year's ride will reverse its usual route, leaving Fort Sumner Saturday, April 21, and arriving in Lincoln Saturday, April 28. Special activities are being coordinated in Fort Sumner and Lincoln. With historically accurate re-enactments, storytelling, safe horsemanship and professional contacts, The Billy the Kid Trail Ride, through its host ranches, offers a true Western experience while preserving lands and landmarks. For more information, contact Rex Buchman at brbuchman@fhrd.net, 620-794-5332 or visit www.billythekidtrailride.com.

Cactus Bloom Plant Walk

April 21: (Oliver Lee State Park) Identification of cacti and other native plants will be discussed on this Ranger guided walk. Although this is the right time to see many cacti in bloom, their abundance is dependant on winter and spring rainfall. The program will last about an hour and a half and will be conducted at a leisurely pace. Meet at Visitor Center. 10-11:30 a.m. $5 entrance fee. Info: 437-8284.

"Walk in the Woods" Health & Safety Fair

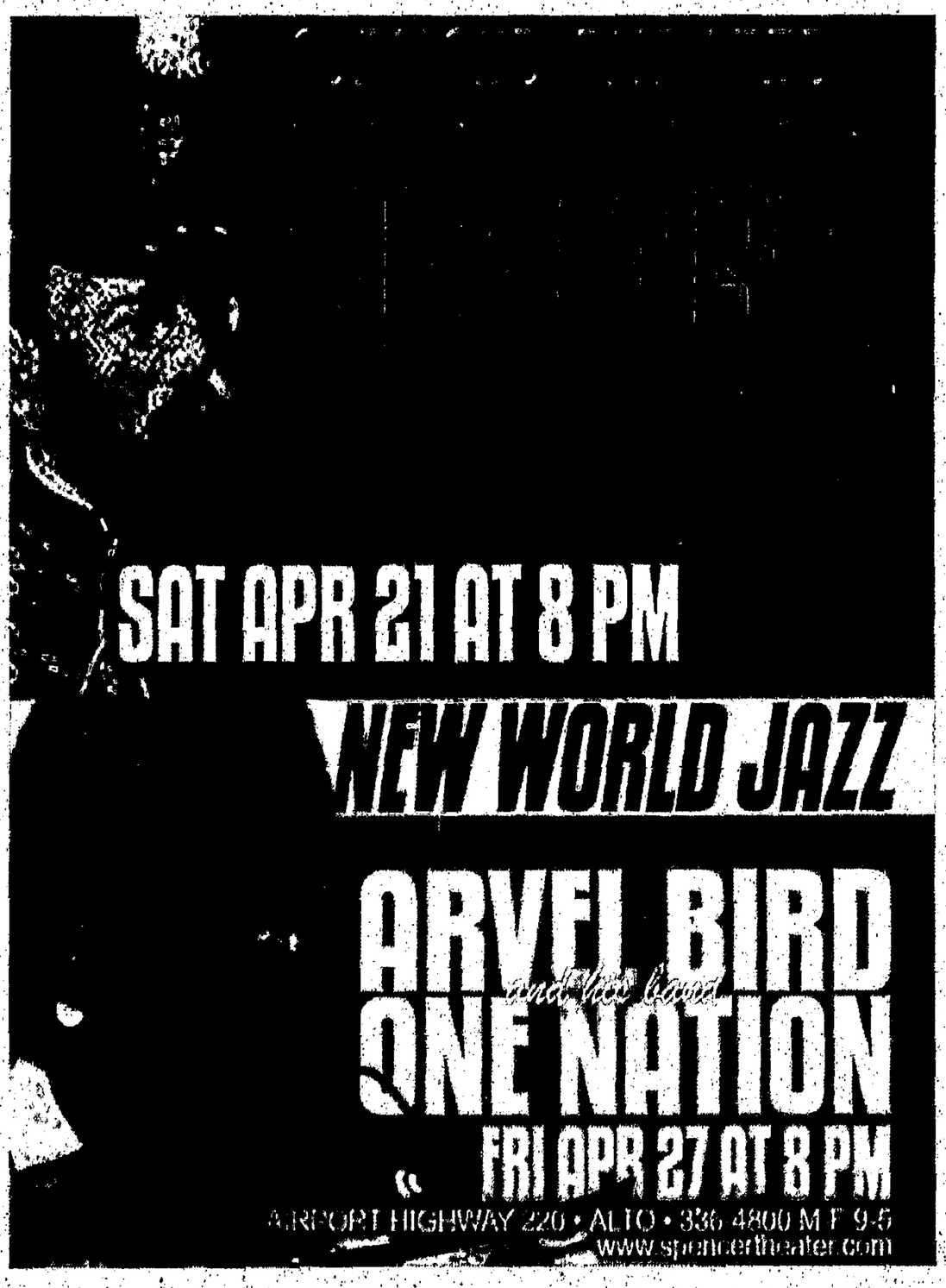
April 28: (Ruidoso) First Annual interactive physical fitness walk and health/safety fair, encouraging families of all ages to exercise together. 8 a.m.-noon, with booths along the Links walking trail. Info: 258-3252.

Artists of White Oaks

April 28-29: (Carrizozo and White Oaks) 12th Anniversary Studio Tour of art galleries. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Food and Saturday night dance at No Scum Allowed Saloon. Info: 648-2732 or 648-2985 or visit www.whiteoaksnewmexico.com.

Tyler Jones (left) and Chris Miles, with their band Sordid Mind, took first-place honors in last Friday night's Ruidoso High School Talent Show.

Park Superintendent Steve Patterson, of Bottomless Lake State Park, holds Scarlett the Red-tailed Hawk for photographer Robert Black, of Roswell, to get a close-up view of predatory birds during an outdoor education program at Oliver Lee State Park last Sunday. Check the Special Events listings for upcoming events at the park.



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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.

• *Ride Around the World* is an engaging large-format film that captures the spirit of past and present-day cowboys and their horses. This film is a breathtaking journey across vast landscapes of Argentina, Chile, Mexico, Morocco, Spain, British Columbia, and Texas tracing the evolution of the cowboy over 1,500 years.

• *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

March 23-29 • *Deliver Us From Evil* (Director: Amy Berg • U.S.A. • 2006 • 1 hour, 40 minutes). Sexual abuse of children and teenagers by Roman Catholic priests emerged as a major national scandal in 2002, primarily due to the trial of defrocked priest John Geoghan in Cambridge, Mass. Since then, new accusations about past and recent abuses have surfaced on a regular and appalling basis.

Filmmaker Amy Berg, as a reporter for CBS and later CNN, spent four years investigating pedophile priests. In the course of her work, she became acquainted with Cardinal Roger Mahony of the Los Angeles Archdiocese, who is alleged to have allowed more than 550 clerics under his jurisdiction to sexually abuse minors.

While a bishop in Stockton, Calif., Mahony directly supervised Father Oliver O'Grady from 1980 to 1985. Berg's documentary, *Deliver Us from Evil*, examines O'Grady's 20-year career as a priest in northern California, during which time he molested hundreds of boys and girls of all ages. *Deliver Us from Evil* maps out the manner in which the Church hierarchy abetted O'Grady's relentless cycle of abuse. The documentary contains salient interviews with psychologists, former priests and lawyers representing victims in civil suits, including victim Bob Jyono, who in one scene speaks quietly to the camera: "There is no god. All these rules are made up by man."

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

March 24 • *The Hi-Lo Country* (1998, 114 minutes, Rated R). Woody Harrelson and Billy Crudup star in this 20th century Western about two World War II veterans living in the last, open New Mexico countryside. Based on the classic American novel by New Mexican Max Evans, the story follows the struggle to continue living the Old West lifestyle in the early Cold War days.

The film follows the story of the two lifelong friends who fall for the same woman. Returning from the war is Pete Lonigan, a cattleman who just wants a simple life on the farm, and Big Boy Matson (Harrelson), a hard drinking ladies' man always looking for a fight. Enter Mona (Patricia Arquette), who is married to the local businessman and who turns Pete's and Big Boy's heads, testing their and testing to the ultimate test.

The film unfolds down freedom in [illegible] British director Stephen Frears (The Queen) [illegible] a "Western" director.

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Mark Wahlberg forgets he's playing a government sniper and not Spiderman in the new film Shooter.

Shooter

Critic's Quip: "This old-fashioned revenge actioner suffers from a preposterous plot and lack of logic and credibility, a peculiar combo of an inner-directed hero that would make John Wayne proud and a cynical tone of conspiracy thrillers like *Three Days of the Condor*."

– Emanuel Levy
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This action-packed thriller stars Mark Wahlberg as Bob Lee Swagger, a former Army sniper who leaves the military after a mission goes bad. After he is reluctantly pressed back into service, Swagger is double-crossed again. With two bullets in him and the subject of a nationwide manhunt, Swagger begins his revenge, which will take down the most powerful people in the country. Antoine Fuqua (*Training Day*) directs.

Now showing in Alamogordo, starring Mark Wahlberg, Michael Pena, Rhona Mitra, Danny Glover, Lane Garrison, Mackenzie Gray, Adrian Hughes, Elias Koteas, Kate Mara, Brian Markinson. Directed by Antoine Fuqua. Rated R.

TMNT

Critic's Quip: "Ultimately, the movie seems driven more by the need to keep a toy line and franchise alive than any creative inspiration."

– Kirk Honeycutt
HOLLYWOOD REPORTER

After the defeat of their old arch nemesis, The Shredder, the Turtles have grown apart as a family. Struggling to keep them together, their rat sensei, Master Splinter (Mako), becomes worried when strange things begin to brew in New York City. Tech-industrialist Max Winters (Patrick Stewart) is raising up an army of ancient monsters, and only one super-ninja fighting team can stop them – those heroes in a half shell –

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Leonardo (James Arnold Taylor), Michelangelo (Mikey Kelley), Donatello (Mitchell Whitfield) and Raphael (Nolan North). With the help of old allies April O'Neil (Sarah Michelle Gellar) and Casey Jones (Chris Evans), the Turtles are in for the fight of their lives as they once again must face the mysterious Foot Clan, who have put their own ninja skills behind Winters' endeavors.

Now showing in Alamogordo and Ruidoso, starring Mako, Sarah Michelle Gellar, Billy West, Patrick Stewart, Chris Evans, Grey DeLisle, Kevin Smith, Ziyi Zhang. Directed by Kevin Munroe. Rated PG.

The Hills Have Eyes 2

Opens March 23

What started with the Carter family, clearly didn't end with the Carter family. As part of a routine mission, a unit of National Guard soldiers stop at a New Mexican outpost only to find the isolated research camp mysteriously deserted. After spotting a distress signal in a distant mountain range, the team decides to commence a search and rescue mission into the hills. Little do they know that these are the very hills that the ill-fated Carter family once visited, and that a tribe of cannibalistic mutants lies in wait. And this time, there is an even larger force of evil at work that is intent on the soldiers' very destruction.

Now showing in Alamogordo, starring Michael McMillian, Jacob Vargas, Flex Alexander, Daniella Alonso, Lee Thompson Young, Ben Crowley, Eric Edelstein, Flex Alexander. Directed by Martin Wiesz. Rated R.

300

Critic's Quip: "*300* is rated R for 'RAAAAAR!' and is about as inspirational as *Field of Dreams* multiplied by *Mr. Smith Goes to Washington*, plus infinity."

– Phil Villarreal
ARIZONA DAILY STAR

Based on the epic graphic novel by Frank Miller, *300* is a ferocious retelling of the ancient Battle of Thermopylae in which King Leonidas and 300 Spartans fought to the death against Xerxes and his massive Persian army. Facing insurmountable odds, their valor and sacrifice inspire all of Greece to unite against their Persian enemy, drawing a line in the sand for democracy. The film brings Miller's acclaimed work to life by combining live action with virtual backgrounds that capture his distinct vision of this ancient historic tale.

Now showing in Alamogordo and Ruidoso, starring Gerard Butler, Vincent Regan, Lena Headey, David Wenham, Michael Fassbender, Rodrigo Santoro, Andrew Tiernan, Dominic West, Andrew Pleavin. Directed by Zack Snyder. Rated R.

Wild Hogs

Critic's Quip: "As stupid and bad as the movie gets, there'll still be people out there who find it hilarious."

– Edward Douglas
COMINGSOON.NET

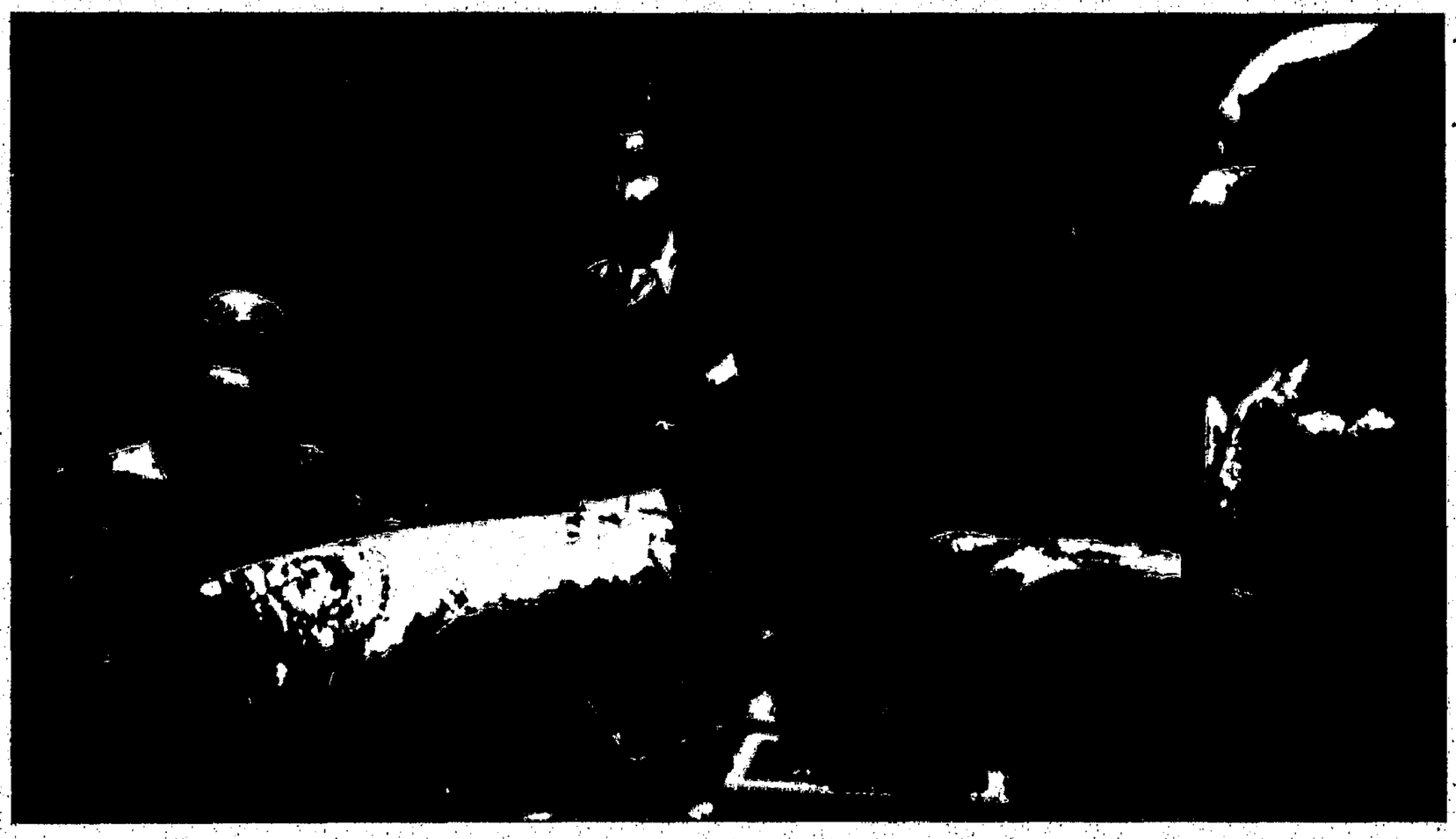
What if you could take one trip that would change your ordinary life from mild into a wild, freewheeling adventure?

In the rollicking comedy *Wild Hogs*, four of Hollywood's biggest stars – Tim Allen, John Travolta, Martin Lawrence and William H. Macy – star as a group of weekend-warrior friends who decide to rev up their ho-hum suburban lives with one last-hurrah, cross-country motorcycle trip.

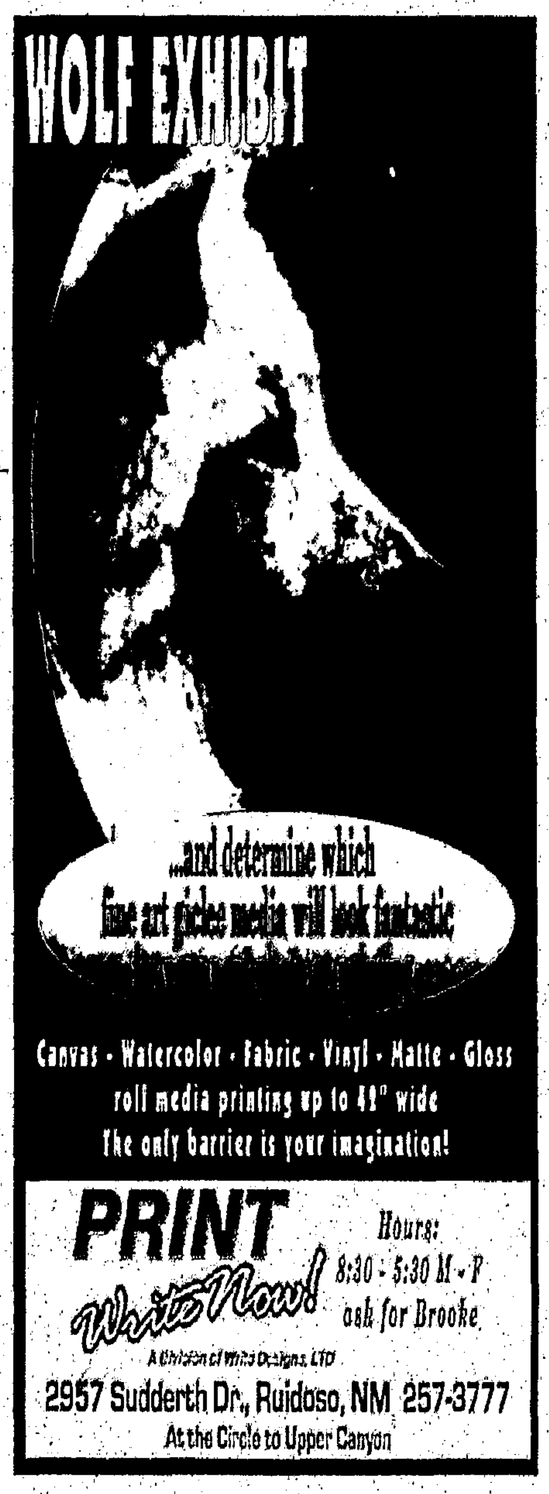
Taking a long-dreamed-of breather from their jobs and responsibilities, they can't wait to feel the freedom of the open highway. But when these guys hit the road, they have no idea it's going to hit back...hard.

Now showing in Alamogordo and Ruidoso, starring Tim Allen, Martin Lawrence, John Travolta, William H. Macy, Ray Liotta, Marisa Tomei. Directed by Walter Becker. Rated PG-13.

The Hills Have Eyes II *supposedly takes place in New Mexico, and that could be a New Mexican landscape. But we don't have any neighbors that look like this, do you?*



The Turtles *are resurrected in glorious 3D action in* TNMT. *Thrill as the newly-animated heroes read ancient texts and scrolls!*



News of the weird

Recent graphic novels explore strange new worlds

REVIEW BY BECKY OHLSEN
BOOKPAGE.COM

It's a mad, mad world, all right—even surreal, at least judging by the latest batch of comics and graphic novels. You've got trash-heap puppets with flies in their eyes, absinthe-addled painters leaping in and out of masterpieces, genetically modified talking pig-dogs . . . it's all there, and it's all weird.

In search of the surreal

The Salon by Nick Bertozzi uses a visual medium to comment on visual arts, and it does so in a bizarre fashion. The young painter Georges Braque seeks the patronage of the famous Leo and Gertrude Stein; quickly invited to join their "salon," he learns that the Steins are terrified. A mysterious blue demon-lady has been prowling the streets of Paris at night, murdering artists and gallery owners. Then comes the weird part: To hunt down this killer, the salon's members (including Picasso, Apollinaire and others) drink blue absinthe, which allows them to enter any painting they choose. They've deduced that the killer is Paul Gauguin's mistress, and she's hiding out in his paintings. The book is vivid and dynamic, all strong lines, intense blues and greens and punchy dialogue. His take on Picasso as a volatile, childlike savant is priceless. Best of all are the Frenchified sound effects: instead of *bang!* or *kapow!* you have *clonque!* and *kique!*

The Salon
By Nick Bertozzi
Griffin, $19.95
192 pages
ISBN
9780312354855

Interpreting the distant past through art

In the far-future world of *Glacial Period*, by Nicolas de Crecy, the European continent has iced over and everyone's moved "south." A band of intrepid explorers has set out to find architectural and anthropological clues about the frozen continent's vanished culture. Guided by genetically enhanced talking dogs that look an awful lot like pigs, the explorers stumble onto the ruins of the Louvre. Using famous paintings as evidence, they try to piece together a narrative describing the people of Europe. The works of art themselves eventually speak up, correcting and augmenting human interpretation of their significance. Author/artist de Crecy worked in collaboration with the Louvre to create this beautifully painted book – an appendix lists each of the works re-created within the comic's panels. Doubling as an analysis of the way images store and transmit knowledge, it's about as "high art" as you can get in a graphic novel.

Glacial Period
By Nicolas de Crecy
NBM/ComicsLit,
$14.95
80 pages
ISBN
9781561634835

Nursery rhymes and the Golem

As surreal as *The Salon* may be, the latest book by Tony Millionaire is much stranger. The title character of *Billy Hazelnuts* is a Frankensteinian boy assembled by rats out of garbage, houseflies and mint. He and the young lady of the house, brainy Becky, set out to rescue the moon (which has disappeared over the horizon). They're pursued by one of Becky's suitors, a mad scientist in a galleon captained by mutinous robotic bird skeletons and seeing-eye skunks. Yep. Billy's an odd but well-spoken little beast; unsuccessfully interviewing falling stars about the moon's location, he protests, "These blasted celestials can't even get a story out before they explode in a flash of fire!" It all takes place in Millionaire's creepy sock-monkey universe, with its dizzying lines and button eyes and jam-packed black-and-white panels. His ever-shifting landscapes seem free of gravity, and outer space is always visible just beyond rooftops.

Billy Hazelnuts
By Tony Millionaire
Fantagraphics,
$19.95
109 pages
ISBN
9781560977018

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National Bestseller List

Based on sales from hundreds of independent bookstores across America for the week ending March 18, 2007.

HARDCOVER FICTION

1. Nineteen Minutes
Jodi Picoult, Atria, $26.95, 9780743496728
2. Whitethorn Woods
Maeve Binchy, Knopf, $25.95, 9780307265784
3. What Is the What
Dave Eggers, McSweeney's, $26, 9781932416640
4. Water for Elephants
Sara Gruen, Algonquin, $23.95, 9781565124998
5. Ten Days in the Hills
Jane Smiley, Knopf, $26, 9781400040612

HARDCOVER NONFICTION

1. The Secret
Rhonda Byrne (Ed.), Beyond Words, $23.95, 9781582701707
2. A Long Way Gone
Ishmael Beah, Sarah Crichton/FSG, $22, 9780374105235
3. I Feel Bad About My Neck
Nora Ephron, Knopf, $19.95, 9780307264558
4. Women & Money
Suze Orman, Spiegel & Grau, $24.95, 9780385519311
5. In an Instant
Lee Woodruff, Bob Woodruff, Random House, $25.95, 9781400066674

PAPERBACK FICTION

1. The Memory Keeper's Daughter
Kim Edwards, Penguin, $14, 9780143037149
2. The Inheritance of Loss
Kiran Desai, Grove, $14, 9780802142818
3. Snow Flower and the Secret Fan
Lisa See, Random House, $13.95, 9780812968064
4. The Namesake
Jhumpa Lahiri, Mariner, $14, 9780618485222
5. Blue Shoes and Happiness - Debut
Alexander McCall Smith, Anchor, $12.95, 9781400075713

PAPERBACK NON-FICTION

1. Eat, Pray, Love
Elizabeth Gilbert, Penguin, $15, 9780143038412
2. The Year of Magical Thinking
Joan Didion, Vintage, $13.95, 9781400078431
3. Three Cups of Tea
Greg Mortenson, David Oliver Relin, Penguin, $15, 9780143038252
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Barack Obama, Three Rivers, $14.95, 9781400082773
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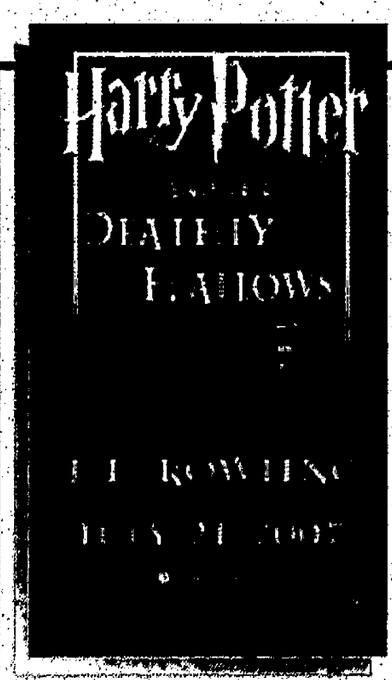
Timothy Egan, Mariner, $14.95, 9780618773473



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Dining Guide

Key Code:

- **$** Low-priced (most entrees under $8)
- **$$** Mid-priced (most entrees $8-$15)
- **$$$** High-priced (most entrees over $15)
- **Y** Alcoholic beverages served
- **R** Reservations required or suggested
- **V** Vegetarian friendly
- **NS** Non-smoking restaurant
- **DS** Has a designated smoking section

Alamogordo / Otero County

Bar-B-Que

Phat Phil's • 213 12th St. • Alamogordo • 430-8090.

Texas Pit Barbeque • 211 James Canyon • Cloudcroft • 682-1101.

Spring Mountain ChuckWagon BBQ • 1187 Hwy 82 • High Rolls • 682-4550 • Open Fri-Sun. Lunch and dinner.

Cafés

Airport Grille • 3500 Airport Rd. • Alamogordo • 439-1093 • Open Mon-Fri, 7:30a.m.-3p.m • Specialty sandwiches, and daily specials. Designated smoking outside. **$$ DS**

Amigos Bakery • 1107 10th St. • Alamogordo • 437-0592. 9a.m.-9p.m, Sun 10a.m.-9p.m • Deli, daily special. **$ V NS**

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 • Hamburgers/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.

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512 St. Francis, next to the Cantina in Tularosa, NM • 585-2102

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 cream, fudge & truffles. **NS**

Tularosa Dry Goods Coffee & More • 308 Granado • Tularosa • 585-4575. **NS**

Tulie Oasis • 512 St. Francis • Tularosa • 585-2102. **$$ DS**

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.

The Wok Inn • 1010 S. White Sands, Alamogordo • 434-4388 • Buffet, carry-out or dine in • 11 a.m.-10 p.m. daily. Y

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.

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. **$$ Y 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.

Pizza Patio • 3199 N. White Sands • Alamogordo • 434-5885.

Ruidoso / Lincoln County

Bar-B-Que

Apache Summit • 287 Carrizo Canyon Rd. at Inn of the Mountain Gods next to pro shop • 464-7695. **$$ DS Y**

Can't Stop Smokin' • 418 Mechem Dr. • 630-0000 • Bar-B-Que to go. Beef, Poultry & Pork. **$ NS**

Circle J Barbecue • 1825 Sudderth • 257-4105 • Sun-Thurs 11a.m.-8:30p.m. Fri-Sat, 11a.m.-9:30p.m. **$ DS**

Cafés

Alto Café • Hwy. 48 & Gavilan Canyon Rd. • 336-1980 • 6:30-3 daily. **$$**

Books & Beans Espresso Deli • 2501 Sudderth • 630-2326 • Full espresso bar, deli, soups, salads. **$$ NS V**

Buffalo Gal Coffee & Gifts • 500 W Smokey Bear Blvd., Capitan, 354-8309 • DriveThru at 203 E. Hwy. 70 at Beall's, Ruidoso, 378-1890 • 113 Central Ave., Carrizozo • 648-5637 • Coffee, pastries, smoothies, hot & cold drinks. Lunch served at Capitan location, sandwiches, pizza, salads; breakfast & pastries. Phone-in orders OK. **$ V NS**

Cornerstone Bakery Café • 359 Sudderth • 257-1842 • 8-11 & 11:30-2 daily • Gourmet sandwiches, desserts, fresh breads, coffee. **$$ NS V**

Daylight Donuts • 441 Sudderth • 257-7155 • 5-noon Mon-Sat • Fresh donuts, coffee, pastries. Dine in or carry out. **$**

Dream Catcher Café • 2629 Sudderth, in the Courtyard in Midtown by Kawliga's • 808-2222 • 7:30 a.m.-7 p.m. Sun-Thurs, 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m. Fri-Sat • Breakfast, lunch, dinner, smoothies, coffee • Live music Fri-Sat. **$ DS**

Flatlanders Café • 1009 Mechem • 258-2220 • 7-4, M-F • Gourmet sandwiches. **$ NS V**

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Dining Guide

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Hummingbird Tearoom • 2306 Sudderth in The Plaza • 257-5100 • 11-3 Mon-Sat. • Soup & sandwiches. **$ NS V**

Sunflower Café • 806 Carrizo Canyon Rd. • 630-0173 • 7-3 Th-Su • Homestyle meals. Fresh baked goods. Customized catering. **$ V NS**

River's Edge • 2404 Sudderth • 630-5394 • 10:30-5 Mon-Sat, 11:30-5 Sun, Closed Wed. • Custom-made sandwich wraps, freshly made desserts. **$ NS V**

Roy's Ice Cream Parlour • 1200 Avenue E. • 648-2921 • M-F 9-6, Sa 12-6 • Old-fashioned ice cream sodas, milkshakes, malts, banana splits, & other fountain treats. **$**

Ruidoso Roastery • 113 Rio St. • 257-3676 • M-F 7-4, Sa 8-4. **$ NS**

Sacred Grounds Coffee and Tea House • 2825 Sudderth • 257-2273 • 11-2 M- Sat. • Sandwiches, quiches organic coffee, espresso bar. **$ V NS**

The Village Buttery • 2107 Sudderth • 257-9251 • Soups, sandwiches, salads; great pies and cookies; patio. • Mon.-Sat. 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.**$ NS V**

Casual Dining

Big Game Bar & Grill • 287 Carrizo Canyon Rd. inside Casino Apache at Inn of the Mountain Gods, Mescalero • 464-7880. **$$ DS** Y

Billy's Sports Bar & Grill • at Ruidoso Downs Race Track & Casino • 378-4431.

Cattle Baron • 657 Sudderth • 257-9355 • Summer Hrs: Mon-Thurs 11a.m.-10p.m., Fri-Sat 11a.m.-10:30p.m., Sun 11a.m.-9:30p.m. • Steak, seafood, salad bar, lounge. **$$ DS** Y

Four Winds Restaurant • 111 Central Ave., Carrizozo • 648-2964 • Mon-Sun, 6a.m.-9p.m. • American variety, Mexican, freshly baked goods, lounge. **$$ DS** Y

Cree Meadows Restaurant • 301 Country Club • 257-2733 • Mon-Sat, breakfast 7a.m.-11a.m., lunch 11a.m.-3p.m. Thurs-Sat, dinner 5p.m.-9p.m. Closed Sunday • Steak, seafood, lounge, banquet room. **$$ DS** Y

Denny's • 2219 W. Hwy. 70 • Ruidoso Downs • 378-1389 • Open 24/7. **$$ NS**

Elsie's Charbroiled Burgers • Hwy. 54 at Hwy. 380 (old Tastee Freeze) • Carrizozo • 648-4200 • Burgers, enchiladas, chicken & steak fingers, salads, soft serve ice cream. Patio seating. • **$ V DS**

Farley's Food Fun & Pub • 1200 Mechem • 258-5676 • Mon-Fri, 11:30a.m.-1a.m. Sat, 11a.m.-1a.m. Sun, 11a.m.-12a.m. • Burgers, pizza, pub fare, lounge, pool tables, patio. **$$ DS** Y

Gathering of Nations Buffet • 287 Carrizo Canyon Rd., at IMG • 464-7872• American, Italian, Asian and Mexican cuisine.

Hitchin' Post • 320 E. Smokey Bear Blvd., Capitan • 354-0878 • Mon - Thur, 11a.m. - 7:30p.m., Fri-Sat, 11a.m. - 9p.m. **$$** Y

Horsemen's Grill • 321 Smokey Bear Blvd. • Capitan • 354-1447.

Western Grill • 157 W. Hwy. 70 • 378-4747. **$$ DS V** Y

Lincoln County Grill • 2717 Sudderth • 257-7669• Open 7 Days, 7a.m.-9p.m. **$$ DS** Y

Local Flavor Restaurant • 2087 Hwy. 70, Ruidoso Downs • 378-1747.

Log Cabin • 1074 Mechem • 258-5029.

Lucy & Ethel's • Midtown Ruidoso at Four Seasons Mall, 2500 Sudderth Dr. • 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. • 630-1221.**$**

Outpost Bar & Grill • Voted as "Best Green Chile Burger" in Lincoln County • Family Dining • Open 7 days a week • 415 Central • 648-9994. **$$ DS** Y

Picnics Deli • Deli, dine-in restaurant, take-out and delivery • 127 Rio Street • 257-2200 • Mon-Thurs, 10:30a.m.-4p.m. Fri-Sat, 10:30a.m.-5p.m.

Weber's Grill • 441 Mechem • 257-9559 • Wed-Mon, 11a.m.-9p.m. Fri-Sat, 11a.m.-10p.m. **$$ DS V** Y

Schlotzsky's Deli • 2812 Sudderth • 257-7811 • Open 10:30 a.m. daily. **$$ NS V**

The Seasons • Casual and fine dining • 307 Hwy. 70 at the Quality Inn (formerly Enchantment Inn)• 378-4051, ext. 314 • Open 6 a.m.-10 p.m. daily. **$$**

Smokey B's Grill • 2584 Hwy. 70 inside the Casino Apache Travel Center, Mescalero • Open 24/7 • 464-7928. **$$ DS** Y

Smokey Bear Restaurant • 310 Smokey Bear Blvd. • Capitan • 354-2557 • Open 7 Days, 6a.m.-8p.m. **$$ DS** Y

The Quarters • 2535 Sudderth • 257-9535. **$$ DS** Y

Western Grill • 157 W. Hwy. 70 • 378-4747. **$$ DS V** Y

Fast Food

Burger Trolley • 647 Sudderth • 257-3868 • 11-7 daily • Voted best green chile cheeseburger in Lincoln County. Take-out only. **$** ☎

Hall of 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, American & 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**

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CUISINE

Bob Cobb's salad

BY JEAN KRESSY
CONTRIBUTOR, RELISH MAGAZINE

If raiding the refrigerator were an Olympic sport, Bob Cobb would have won a gold medal. Cobb was the owner of the Brown Derby, a Los Angeles restaurant as well known for the Hollywood movie crowd it attracted as for the food it served.

According to historians who keep track of such things, sometime in the 1920s, Cobb went into the kitchen to fix himself a snack. Instead of reaching for the first thing he saw and wolfing it down by the light of the refrigerator, he made a quick inventory of what was available and put together a salad that turned out to be more than the sum of its parts.

There was nothing unusual about the ingredients: chicken, avocado, lettuce, tomato, cheese, some hard-cooked eggs and a few strips of bacon. But when Cobb tossed them together with dressing, it turned out to be a very tasty combination. What happened next was what made the salad famous.

It was listed on the restaurant's menu as Cobb Salad, but instead of tossing everything together as Cobb had done, the restaurant's cooks arranged the ingredients in a sort of mosaic that resembled a flag. When it was ordered, the dazzling arrangement was presented on a large, deep platter. Then vinaigrette dressing was drizzled over the top, and the salad was tossed at the table.

Obviously there is plenty of wiggle room for what to put in Cobb Salad, but it would be a mistake to think of it as a dumping ground for leftovers. Following Cobb's recipe and without the benefit of a refrigerator of ready-to-eat leftovers, we made the salad.

The only glitch was that we didn't have a platter big enough to handle the arranging and tossing. Instead, we put together a beautiful mosaic and showed it off at the table. When the applause died down, we took the salad back to the kitchen, slid it into a big bowl and tossed it. It's a culinary gold medal.

Cobb Salad

Dressing:

- 1/3 cup extra-virgin olive oil
- 2 tablespoons red wine vinegar
- 2 teaspoons lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon Dijon mustard
- 1/2 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
- 1/4 teaspoon sugar
- 1 small garlic clove, pressed
- 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
- Coarsely ground black pepper

Salad:

- 10 cups coarsely chopped lettuce (romaine and Boston)
- 2 medium tomatoes, cored and chopped
- 1 1/2 cups chopped, cooked boneless, skinless chicken breast (about 9 ounces)
- 6 bacon strips, cooked and crumbled
- 3 hard-cooked eggs, chopped
- 1/2 cup (2 oz.) crumbled Roquefort or blue cheese
- 1 avocado, pitted, peeled and chopped

1. To prepare the dressing, combine all ingredients in a jar, cover tightly and shake vigorously.

2. To prepare the salad, arrange lettuces on a large serving platter, big enough to toss the salad. Arrange tomatoes in a strip down the center and arrange chicken, bacon, eggs, and cheese in strips on either side of tomatoes. Scatter avocado around edge.

3. Before serving, slide the salad into a large bowl; pour dressing over top and toss gently to combine. Serves 6.

Per serving: 360 calories, 27g fat, 23g prot., 8g carbs., 4g fiber, 540mg sodium.

Look for *Relish* magazine, celebrating America's love of food, each month in the *Ruidoso News*. For more *Relish* recipes, to sign up for our biweekly newsletter, or to leave us a note on our message boards, visit www.relishmag.com.

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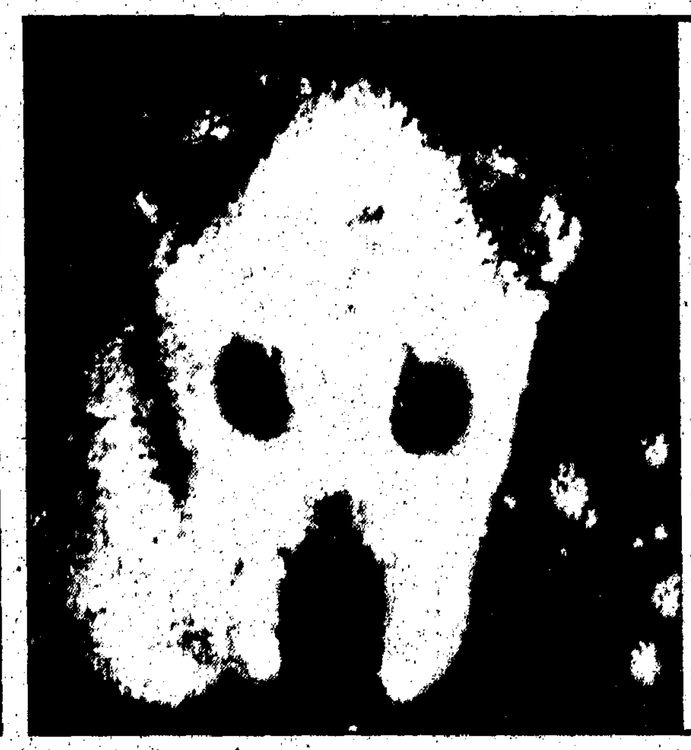

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Memorable tunes and cheesecake, too...

Exquisite cheesecakes and designer pies, coffees and chilled fruit spritzers complement the musical fare as the Ruidoso High School Choral Department, under the direction of Dorota Potter and Waynta Wirth, presents their annual salute to show tunes in a café/club atmosphere.

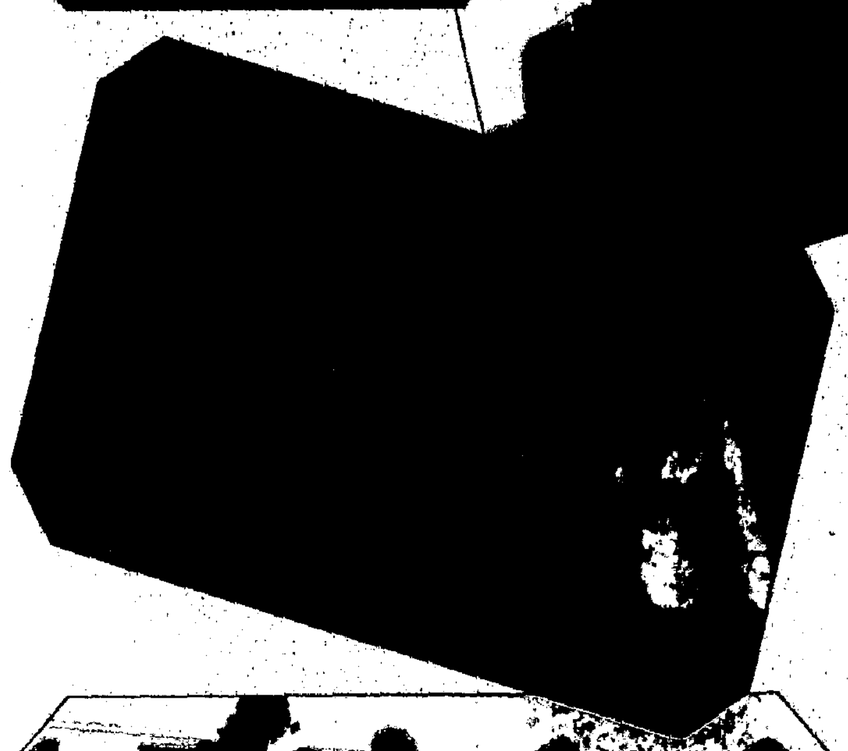
Imagine the Ruidoso High School cafeteria transformed into an elegant uptown nightclub, where, for two performances, talented students serve as your waitresses and waiters, while taking turns performing for your non-stop entertainment pleasure.

In the style of New York bistros where up-and-coming singers have to work, too, you will be delighted as the young performers present Broadway musical selections and memorable movie tunes, ranging from *Guys and Dolls* to *Wicked*, from *Mary Poppins* to *Shrek*, complete with costumes and staging.

Tickets cost only $10, which includes your dessert and drinks, and may either be purchased at the Ruidoso High School main office or at the door.

If you choose to come on Saturday, doors open at 6:30 with the music beginning at 7 p.m. Or, you may enjoy a Sunday afternoon outing, with the performances beginning at 3 p.m.

Either way, you are sure to be entertained while supporting our community's fine young singers in this annual event.



In rehearsal: Emily Vickers and Chelo Amador show how simple it is (above left); Peter Zagone borrows a prop (above right); Hannah Kashmar and Jordan Kelley as Elphaba and Galinda from Wicked *(center); and a group of ladies works on choreography for a* Mary Poppins *medley, accompanied by the tireless Waynta Wirth at the piano (bottom).*

Posing proves easy for these members of the Ruidoso High School Choral Department, in costume for dress rehearsals for Café Cantaré to be presented this weekend. Featured in the photo above, back row, l-r, are: Jaquelynn Montes, Ruby Castillo, Rayjean Sundayman, Brianna Harrington and Alexis Gorman; middle row: Monica Sanchez, Amber Gardner, Alina Tellez and Jordan Kelley; front row: Paula McCasland, Diana Martinez and Hannah Kashmar. Singers in the photo below are, l-r: Katy Wilbourn, Brittney Marshal, Brianna Harrington, Ashley Graff and Peter Nazario (kneeling in front).

They are the very model

Take six highly-seasoned – and critically acclaimed – Savoyards, add a dash of drama, a splash of sophistication, a soupçon of sarcasm, a heaping helping of humor, an earful of education, then throw them all into a musical blender, and waddaya get? Savoy Express, coming to Ruidoso courtesy of the Ruidoso Concert Association.

These energetic performers, who also just happen to be members of internationally acclaimed G&S repertory company, Lamplighters Music Theatre, as well as Stanford Savoyards and Lyric Theatre of San Jose, are taking Gilbert and Sullivan to new heights with instantly accessible, revue-style potpourris that capture the wit, whimsy and essence of that "Dynamic Duo" of the Victorian era, Sir William S. Gilbert and Sir Arthur Sullivan.

Gilbert and Sullivan works have enjoyed broad and enduring international success, particularly in the English-speaking world. *H.M.S. Pinafore, The Pirates of Penzance* and *The Mikado*, in particular, introduced innovations in content and form that directly influenced the musical theatre of the 20th century. Their works have become known as the Savoy Operas, after the Savoy Theatre in London, which was built in 1881 by their producer, Richard D'Oyly Carte, to present their operas.

Savoy Express presents a delightful program, complete with sparkling choreography and presented with piano accompaniment, costumes and props. The concert begins at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 10, at the Ruidoso Schools Performing Arts Center on Warrior Drive. For tickets or information, call: Clinton Smith at 258-5702, Betsy Burnett at 336-1952, Charlotte or Bob Rowe at 336-4015 or Candle Power in Midtown Ruidoso. Gilbert & Sullivan has always been a treat for all ages. And, as the Mikado himself says: "Nothing could possibly be more satisfactory!"

'Springtime for Hitler...'

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THE HOTTEST BROADWAY SHOW ON THE ROAD STOPS AT THE SPENCER THEATER FOR ONE SHOW ONLY!

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GOOD TO KNOW

CHOICES

Through the Eyes of Students

March 26-30, 2007

Ruidoso High School invites all area schools to attend this national exhibit. To schedule a tour, contact Galen Farrington at *gfarringg@ruidoso.k12.nm.us* or call 505.258.4910.

Developed by the Center for Holocaust Education Foundation, and sponsored by the New Mexico Foundation for Human Rights Projects, the *Choices: Through the Eyes of Students* exhibit uses the Holocaust as a springboard for discussing how youth may act to prevent acts of persecution and injustice. The exhibit is appropriate for students fifth grade and up; student-guided tours will be given 8:00am-3:00pm daily. Bilingual services will be available upon request.

While the exhibit is especially poignant for classes studying Holocaust history, it also promotes discussion of the choices students make to either contribute to or prevent acts of injustice in their own lives, such as bullying and discrimination. The exhibit also discusses practices, such as stereotyping and scapegoating, which foster mass movements of violence. Prior to visiting the exhibit, teachers may preview the exhibit and download discussion information from The Center for Holocaust Education Foundation at *http://www.c-hef.org/l_exhibition.htm*.

Brought to Ruidoso by the Hubbard Foundation

Ruidoso High School Talent Show winners Sordid Mind rocked the gym last Friday night!

The eye code

What state of health is your body in? Are you interested in improving your nutrition and health? Are you taking the correct supplements and vitamins? Do you understand how your body functions?

Iridology is the study of the iris of the eye to determine strengths and weaknesses in the body. By looking into the iris, it is possible to determine where those inherent strengths and weaknesses lie. Some weaknesses may include toxic settlements, inflamation, mucous, hyperactivity, poor circulation, digestion and more.

The week of April 2-6, the Herb Stop will offer consultations with iridologist Louis Steen. He is dedicated to educating his clients about natural health alternatives so they can make informed decisions. Sessions last 45 minutes to one hour, and are $40 per session. Appointments will be accepted 9 a.m.-5 p.m. each day and may be made by calling 257-0333.

Mr. Language Person: some words of wisdomality

Dave's World

by Dave Barry
Tribune Media Services

Welcome to "Ask Mister Language Person," written by the foremost leading world authority on the proper grammatorical usagality of English, both orally and in the form of words. In this award-winning column, which appears nocturnally, we answer the grammar and vocabulary questions that are on the minds of many Americans just before they pass out.

Today, as is our wont, we begin with our first question:

Q: You have a wont?

A: Yes, but we comb our hair such that you cannot see it.

Q: With regards to the old spiritual song, "Gwine Jump Down, Turn Around, Pick a Bale of Cotton," why is the singer gwine jump down and turn around first?

A: He is hoping that he gwine pull a hamstring, and somebody else gwine have to pick the bale of cotton.

Q: I work in Customer Service, and my co-workers and I are having a big debate about whether we should say that your call is "very" important to us, or "extremely" important to us. We argue about this all day long! My question is, how do we stop these stupid phones from ringing?

A: Someone will answer your question "momentarily."

Q: I am a speechwriter for a leading presidential candidate, and I need to know which is correct: "integrity *out* the wazoo," or "integrity *up* the wazoo."

A: We checked with both the *Oxford English Dictionary* and the Rev. Billy Graham, and they agree that the correct word is "wazooty."

Q: I have trouble remembering the difference between the words "whose" and "who's." Should I put this in the form of a question?

A: In grammatical terminology, "who's" is an interlocutory contraption that is used to form the culinary indicative tense.

EXAMPLE: "You will never guess who's brassiere they found in the gumbo." "Whose" is the past paramilitary form of "whomsoever" and is properly used in veterinary interrogations.

EXAMPLE: "Whose gwine spay all them weasels?"

Q: I am a writer for *The Sopranos*, and I've been arguing with one of my colleagues over the correct wording of some dialogue. I think it should be: "Bleep you, you bleeping bleeper!" Whereas he insists it should be: "Bleep yourself, you bleeperbleeper!" So I had him whacked.

A: Now he bleeps with the fishes.

Q: Are you going to flagrantly pad this column with actual examples of language usage sent in by alert readers, as is your wont?

A: Of course:

• David Davidson sent an article from the *Tybee News* containing this statement about the mayor of Tybee Island, Ga.: "He also said an older woman suffered a broken hip when a dog pounced on her and read a long letter from someone supporting the dog ban."

• Tim O'Marra sent in an article from the *Skagit Valley* (Wash.) *Herald* containing this sentence: "Suspecting the action was suspicious, the officer ordered both of them to raise their hands."

• Chaz Liebowitz sent in an article from *The Miami Herald* that begins: "Davie police are searching for a man with a .25-caliber semi-automatic handgun to rob a convenience store Wednesday."

• Several readers sent in an article from the *Richmond Times-Dispatch* concerning a dump-truck driver who "dropped more than 59,000 pounds of processed human excrement on Interstate 295" and was charged with "failure to contain his load."

• Sue Colson sent in a "Police Blotter" item from the *Port Aransas* (Texas) *South Jetty* consisting entirely of this fascinating statement: "No goat was found in the trunk of a vehicle when an officer responded to a complaint on East Avenue G at about 1:20 p.m."

TODAY'S WRITING TIP: In writing a resume, make sure that it is "up to date" and reflects current economic conditions:

WRONG: "I am currently working for a 'dot-com' company."

RIGHT: "I am currently living in an appliance carton."

GOT A GRAMMAR QUESTION? Your question is very important to Mr. Language Person.

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This classic DAVE BARRY column was originally published Aug. 27, 2000.

'Go fly a kite...'

Polly's Potpourri

by Polly E. Chavez

The name "kite" is taken from the name of a hawk-like bird noted for its graceful soaring and balancing flight. Kite-flying is generally a children's activity, although some adults make a hobby of it.

The month of March reminds me of wind; wind reminds me of a kite; a kite reminds me of my favorite historical figure: Benjamin Franklin (1706-1790). Franklin is known for flying a kite to draw lightning from the sky for experiments on electricity. Lightning rods invented by Franklin soon appeared on buildings all over the world.

According to *Encyclopedia Americana*, Franklin was born in Boston, eighth of ten children, into a pious Puritan household proud of its frugal self-reliance. He published a newspaper, the *Pennsylvania Gazette*, and began writing *Poor Richard's Almanac*. He developed a style less elegant than the literary fashion in Europe. He used this style in *Poor Richard's Almanc* to spread homespun morality.

Franklin's autobiography relates events in his life from birth through the late 1750s. In this writing he summarized his view that by hard work, thrift and honesty a poor man might release himself from the prison of poverty.

Franklin was already a great diplomat and statesman when he began his autobiography. He told of his small beginnings as a printer. In plain language he told about himself and what he knew.

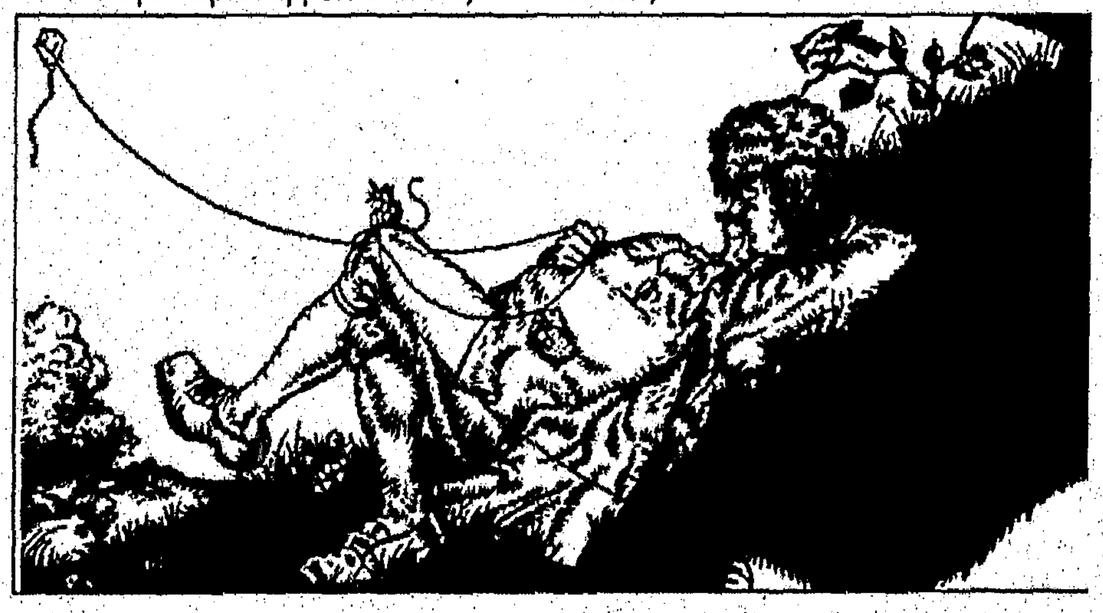
I spent Sunday afternoon reading his many wise sayings, among them:

• "A Bible and a newspaper in every house, a good school in every district – all studied and appreciated as they merit – are the principle support of virtue, morality and civil liberty."

• "None preaches better than the ant, and she says nothing."

• "If you would not be forgotten as soon as you are dead, either write things worth reading or do things worth writing."

(Has someone ever told you to go fly a kite?)



COMMUNITY LISTINGS: OTERO COUNTY

Veterans / Military Groups

Air Force Sergeants Association Chapter 1257: Open meeting/luncheon at 11:30 a.m. every second Wednesday at Base Community Center. Visits to area veterans in local care centers every third Saturday, starting at the Betty Dare Center on North Florida Ave. at 9:30 a.m. Gil Isley, 434-5552.

American Legion Riders Association, Chapter 8: Meets every first Wednesday at American Legion Post 108, 23117 U.S. 70E, Tularosa; Ed Summerall, 430-4322.

VFW Post 7686 and Ladies Auxiliary: Meetings are at 7 p.m. every third 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- 456.

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

Al-Anon: New Day Al-Anon group meets noon Thursdays at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 1212 Washington Ave., Alamogordo.

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

Democratic Party of Otero County 6:30 first Tuesday of every month at 700 1st Street, Suite 773, Alamogordo. Info: 437-8590.

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: Bi-monthly, Jan.-Nov. 3rd Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. at Otero PATH, S. Florida at 1st St. Guest speaker, alt. energy/efficiency ideas. 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. Ages 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.

ASTRONOMY

Stars hot and cold

In Our Skies

by Alan Hale
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Astronomer

Anyone who has spent much time outdoors during the daytime, especially in the desert during the summer, doesn't need to be told that the sun is hot. An appreciation for just how hot it really is can perhaps be taken from the fact that it is located approximately 93 million miles away from us, yet still is able to produce the amounts of heat we feel. However hot our warmest days might seem to us, these pale when compared to the conditions that Mercury, and the occasional comets and asteroids that approach even closer to the sun than that planet, experience.

For obvious reasons, it is not possible to make a direct temperature measurement of the sun's "surface." We can nevertheless do so, indirectly, from here on Earth by examining its spectrum. A spectrum for a star like the sun contains numerous features, or "lines," each of which are due to the various chemical elements. By seeing which lines are present in the sun's spectrum and how strong they are, as well as from what we know about the elements in question from studying them in the laboratory, it is possible to work out, with a fair degree of accuracy, just how hot the sun's surface environment is. From doing so, we've been able to determine that the sun's surface temperature is very close to 9,850 degrees F.

Not all like the sun

The various stars we see in the nighttime sky are not necessarily all like the sun, but instead span a wide range of qualities and characteristics. Some are brighter than the sun, and some are dimmer; some are larger than the sun, and some are smaller; and similarly, some stars are hotter than the sun, and some are cooler. An example of the temperature ranges we encounter among the stars is presented to us by the prominent constellation Orion, now well-placed high in the south during these mid-March evenings.

Betelgeuse, the very bright star in the northeast corner of Orion, is an example of what we call a "red giant," and is relatively cool as stars go with a surface temperature of 3,800 degrees F. The other very bright star in Orion, Rigel over in the southwest corner, is a much hotter object, with a surface temperature of over 21,000 degrees F.

Going to extremes

To see the extremes to which stars' temperatures can go, consider a rather bright star that is presently visible quite low over the southern horizon. This star is most commonly known as Gamma Velorum, a designation that arises from its location within the constellation Vela, the sail of the mythological ship Argo. It is sometimes known under the name "Suhail," from an Arabic word meaning "brilliant" although, somewhat confusingly, some other stars in Vela also go by this name.On some modern navigational charts it goes by the name "Regor," being "Roger" spelled backwards – a reference to astronaut Roger Chaffee, who perished in the Apollo 1 launchpad fire in 1967.

A pair of binoculars will reveal that Gamma Velorum is actually a double star. The brighter of these two stars is itself a double star, the two components of which are separated from each other by about the Earth's distance from the sun, and they orbit around each other every 78 days. The distance to the Gamma Velorum system is uncertain but recent measurments indicate that it is somewhere around 840 light-years.

The two stars in the close pair of the Gamma Velorum system are among the hottest stars known. One of them has a surface temperature of approximately 60,000 degrees F. But even this pales compared to the surface temperature of its companion which, while uncertain, is approximately 105,000 degrees F.

Wolf-Rayet stars

This hotter star is an example of what is known as a "Wolf-Rayet" star, so named from the French astronomers Charles Wolf and Georges Rayet who discovered their characteristics from Paris Observatory in 1867. The spectrum of a Wolf-Rayet star has some unique features that identify it as an extremely hot object.

Wolf-Rayet stars are extremely massive stars that are ejecting material at a fairly high rate; the Wolf-Rayet star in the Gamma Velorum system is estimated to be ejecting an amount of material equal to the mass of our sun every 100,000 years. (For a point of comparison, our sun is also ejecting material via the solar wind, but at a rate almost a billion times slower.) This star probably started out being about 40 times as massive as our sun, but as a result of this material ejection it now contains only about 10 times the mass of our sun.

A planet in an Earthlike orbit around a Wolf-Rayet star would experience a drastically different environment from what we encounter on Earth. In addition to the much higher temperatures, the star itself is about 100,000 times brighter than our sun. Most of this is also in the ultraviolet, so our hypothetical planet would be literally cooked by all the high-energy radiation coming from its parent star.

Such an environment sounds very unpleasant, but it wouldn't last long. A very massive star such as this has a very short "lifetime" – a few million years, at most – before exploding as a supernova. The Wolf-Rayet star in the Gamma Velorum system will probably go supernova within the relatively near future (i.e., within the next few hundred thousand years). Its companion, another very massive star about 30 times as massive as our sun, will probably follow a similar path and will go supernova itself within a few million years.

The material and energy from these supernova explosions will go towards the formation of new stars from the dust and gas in the vicinity. Someday hence, perhaps a few hundred million years from now, these new stars – perhaps sunlike stars with Earthlike planets – will be appearing near the place where we now see Gamma Velorum.

Something to think about, perhaps, on the next hot day.

Alan Hale is a professional astronomer who resides in Cloudcroft. He is presently raising funds for the Earthrise Project, an educational and humanitarian program described at www.earthrisemsdiffice.org.

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ART SCENE

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WHAT: Egg Exhibition and Sale

WHERE: Magdalena, NM, 26 scenic miles west of Socorro, at Scarabeo Studio & Gallery, Mile marker 111, Hwy 60 West. (1 mile west of the Village of Magdalena.)

WHEN: March 31-April1, and April 5-8, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Friends and artists are invited to decorate or make an egg. They can then eggsibit them, and either sell, keep or trade them. Anything goes: beading, painting, collage, whatever you can think of! For ideas and the history of egg decorating, along with Easter facts, visit www.theeggplace.com.

INFO: Yvonne, 854-2151 or email yvonne@magener.net.

Laughter and more...

Art in Public Places

Colleen Welch of Picacho is the featured artist for the months of March and April at the Capitan Public Library. She began her artistic career as a child, painting on the back of old wallpaper that her parents were tearing down. Visit the Capitan Library and view Welch's pieces in acrylic and pencil.

Also at the library

At 7 p.m. on April 6, you are invited to join local artist and certified Laughter Yoga instructor Michele Caskey for a laughter exercise class. (No kidding!) In addition to practical exercises to coax our laughter to show itself more freely and frequently, you will learn about the physical benefits of increased laughter, which include reduced stress, better circulation, a stronger immune system, improved digestion and a general feeling of vitality. Besides, it's fun!

This First Friday lecture is free of charge, and you are invited to stay afterwards for refreshments and a chance to visit.

Spring brings new life to RRCA

BY DOANNE DOAN
FOR ¡VAMONOS!

As with all things in nature, Spring brings with it changes to the RRCA. Alisa Kenyon, local graphic artist and advertising specialist, has stepped off the Board of Directors to assume the role of Interim Executive Director.

Kenyon brings with her a world of knowledge about the arts community, and is excited about implementing some of the new ideas the Board has generated to promote our area as an arts destination. She not only plans to solidify summer Gallery Walks, workshops, and Art Talks, but also will work to incorporate all the arts in RRCA programming.

Be watching for our May 12 Tomato Plant / Art Sale just in time for Mother's Day.

Dari Stierwalt, former executive director, resigned her position on March 15. She successfully produced the Treasures of Sierra Blanca Art Show and Sale last November and mARTi-gras in February, as well as increasing exposure and publicity for The Art Gallery. RRCA appreciates her hard work and dedication during her short tenure with the organization, and wishes her well in future endeavors.

Kenyon invites you to come in to The Art Gallery / RRCA Office at 1712 Sudderth, next door to State National Bank, and see what great things are happening. We also encourage all supporters of the arts to become members of our organization. Call 257-7272 for information, or come by and pick up membership details.

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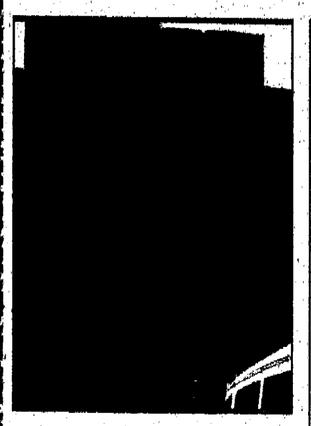

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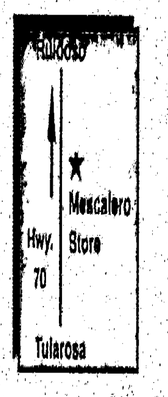

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Past Tense

by Drew Gomber
Historian

It is one of the most famous, or infamous, events to occur in the American West. It has been covered repeatedly by a myriad of books, movies, television shows, lectures - you name it. It only lasted for about 30 seconds, but it made an indelible mark on popular history. It was, of course, the so-called "Gunfight at the OK Corral."

Now, there are so many misconceptions about this particular event that it is difficult even to keep track. For starters, it didn't happen in the confines of the OK Corral itself. It took place about 90 feet away in a vacant lot, which, at 15 feet wide, was more like an alley. Until the 1930s, when Stuart Lake's highly questionable biography of *Wyatt Earp, Frontier Marshal*, was published, it was always referred to by the participants, and those who lived in Tombstone, Ariz., at the time as the "street fight," which is certainly more descriptive. The public perception of the gunfight is that of two determined groups of men, facing each other from about 50 feet away, their hands twitching near their holstered guns. As is often the case with history, it simply wasn't so.

The causes of the gunfight are far too complex to go into in the confines of this column, but suffice to say that it was a feud that had been brewing for some time between the Earp brothers and Doc Holliday, versus the "Cowboys" (synonymous in Tombstone at the time with "outlaws"). Among the Cowboys were the McLaury brothers, the Clantons, Curly Bill Brocius, John Ringo and a number of other lesser-known ne'er-do-wells.

Ike Clanton

Primarily, it was Ike Clanton's big mouth that provoked the whole thing. Ike spent the 24 hours previous to the shootout drunkenly threatening the Earps and Holliday and at about 2:30 on the afternoon of October 26, 1881, Ike's loudly broadcasted "wishes" came to fruition.

The Earps and Holliday had finally had enough, and when Virgil Earp, Tombstone's Chief of Police, was informed that Ike, his brother Billy and a number of other Cowboys were down near the OK Corral, and armed (contrary to the movies, it was illegal to carry a gun in most old Western towns), he decided to take action. Deputizing his brothers Wyatt and Morgan, as well as Doc Holliday, Virgil led them down Fremont Street and into one of the most famous confrontations of the Old West.

When the gunsmoke cleared, Billy Clanton, as well as Frank and Tom McLaury lay dead. Virgil and Morgan Earp were seriously wounded, and Doc Holliday sustained a flesh wound. Wyatt was the only one not touched by a bullet.

Vendetta

But the violence was far from over. In December of 1881, almost exactly two months after the gunfight, Virgil Earp was shot by concealed gunmen and crippled for life as he attempted to walk across a darkened street. In March of 1882, Morgan Earp was shot from behind, the bullet coming from outside the building where he was playing billiards. He died within the hour, and that pretty much sent Wyatt Earp off the "deep end." Gathering some trusted friends about him, he embarked on his legendary "Vendetta Ride," seeking any and all whom he held responsible for the wounding of Virgil and the death of Morgan.

Among these trusted friends were younger brother Warren Earp, Doc Holliday, Dan Tipton, "Turkey Creek" Jack Johnson, Sherman McMasters, and "Texas Jack" Vermillion. This vendetta is controversial to this day, but there is one undeniable fact: When it was over, organized crime in Southeastern Arizona was as dead as Billy Clanton.

There is a great deal that is still unknown about the men who rode in Wyatt's posse. While Wyatt carried a commission as a Deputy U.S. Marshal, he picked the men to ride with him not for being law-abiding, but rather for their skill with firearms, and of course, their loyalty to him. As time passes, bits and pieces about the true character of these men surface, making the search for the truth and what *really* happened that much more interesting.

Brother John

Actor Peter Sherayko played "Texas Jack" Vermillion in the movie *Tombstone*, and to get "into character" he began researching Vermillion prior to the filming. On an odyssey to find the truth about this shadowy character, Sherayko traversed the country, following the dim trail left by Texas Jack himself. First of all, Peter found that his subject wasn't from Texas. He was called Texas Jack because of an affection he had for horses from Texas. Vermillion was actually a Virginian by birth.

As it turned out, Texas Jack apparently had enough of violence on the frontier, and eventually returned to his native Virginia. Slowly but surely, Peter Sherayko tracked Texas Jack to that eastern state, in much the same way that Wyatt, the real Texas Jack and the others tracked down the killers of Morgan Earp. Of course, *this* time, there was no gunplay involved!

Eventually, Peter found members of the Vermillion family. As is often the case, the family members were ignorant of Texas Jack's activities on the Western frontier. We must never forget, when we study Western History, that in those days, *no one* wanted an outlaw in the family and men who had been involved in anything considered to be remotely illegal or immoral went to great lengths to conceal their actions. Today, of course, people just *love* the idea of being related to an Old West outlaw. Funny old world, isn't it?

When Peter Sherayko found the Vermillion family, he began questioning them about the activities of Texas Jack, but was confronted only by confused and dumbfounded stares. Finally, something rang a bell with one of Texas Jack's descendants, who asked Peter, "Are you talking about "Brother John"?

Well, it's never too late to find God, and that seems to have been the case with Texas Jack. After returning to his native Virginia, the feared gunfighter Texas Jack Vermillion became "Brother John" Vermillion – a "man of the cloth," as they used to describe the clergy. He spent the remainder of his life being a genuinely pious man.

Tonight, Peter Sherayko will be present for the opening of the Hubbard Museum of the American West's exhibit, "Wyatt Earp Goes to the Movies," which will display not only many of the guns from the film, but also some significant firearms from the time and place. For more information or tickets, call the Museum at 378-4142.

SOURCES: *Wyatt Earp, Frontier Marshal* by Stuart Lake; *And Die in the West* by Paula Marks and *The Files of the Tombstone Epitaph*.

Drew Gomber is available for history tours of Old Lincoln town and Lincoln County, as well as speaking engagements. For more information about booking a tour or presentation, or to order Drew's books or CDs, call 505-653-4056 or email Gomber at drew@pvtnetworks.net.

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Art Galleries & Studios

The following art galleries and studios are open to the public on a regular basis. This does not include numerous studios that are open only for special events.

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Art and Artifact • 107 S. Lincoln • Capitan • 354-2316.

Earthly Greens & Ran La Roca Glass • Lincoln, NM • Open 10-6, M-F • 800-386-7258 • Fine art fused glass "paintings."

Benson Fine Art • Off Highway 70 • San Patricio • 653-4081.

Fruit of the Trees Gallery • Highway 380 in Lincoln • 653-4699.

Gallery 408 • 408 12th Street • Carrizozo • 505-648-2598 • Oils, photography, ceramics, collage, jewelry, pottery, baskets, etc. Special artist showings and musical events in their sculpture garden.

Georgia Stacy, Artist • Studio located on Nogal Canyon Road, in Nogal • 354-4206 • Wood sculpture, doors, and home interior furnishings.

Grizzly's Bears • 2804 Sudderth • 257-3542 • Bears carved from tree trunks by chainsaw and other power tools.

Hondo Iris Farm and Gallery • Highway 70, MM 284 in Old Hondo • Tuesday - Sunday: 10-5 • 653-4723.

Hondo Iris Farm Annex • Highway 70, MM 286 • Tuesday - Sunday: 8-5. Free Jewelry Factory tours. 653-4062.

Hurd-La Rinconada Gallery • Off Highway 70 • San Patricio • 800-658-6912 • 653-4331.

James Mack Studio • 400 12th St. • Carrizozo • 648-5203.

J. Kiker Gallery • Highway 70 MM 284 in Old Hondo • 653-4510 • Oil landscapes of New Mexico and the Hondo Valley. • Wed.-Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sun. 12-5 p.m.

Moondance Gallery • Central White Oaks • 648-2319 • Hand-crafted furniture, jewelry, traditional tinwork, Southwest artifacts.

Oso Art • 100 Lincoln Avenue • Capitan.

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The Art Gallery • 1712 Sudderth • 257-7272 • Featuring original works by regional independent artists. Home of the Ruidoso Regional Arts Council office.

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The Camel House • 1690 Highway 70 East • Ruidoso Downs • 378-7065 • Prints, framing.

Classic Bronze Foundry • 610 E. Highway. 70 • Ruidoso Downs • 378-1417 • Open M-F, 7:30-4 • Sculptures by Lincoln Fox, Sandy Scott, Angela Mia de la Vega. Paintings by members of Western Artists of America.

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Mescalero

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N'de Fine Arts Gallery • U.S. Highway 70 (milemarker 244.2) • 464-2114 • Featuring: Apache fine arts including paintings in oil and acrylics.

Stronghold Gallery • 464-7777 • Gift shop and art gallery inside the Inn of the Mountain Gods, featuring paintings, sculpture and other work by Mescalero artists.

Alamogordo Area

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"HAPPY WORLD PLAYGROUND"

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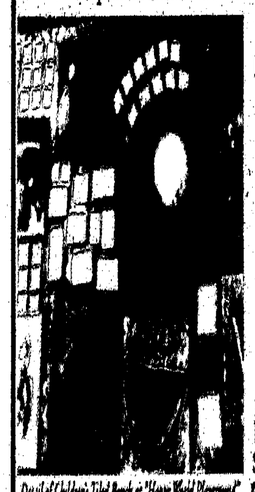

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Alcoholics Anonymous Women's open meeting: 6:30 p.m. every Monday at 613 Sudderth; Info: 378-8391.

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.

Gentle Yoga: High Mesa Healing Center, 101 Mader Lane, Alto; 9-10:30 a.m. Mondays and Wednesdays with Kalika Thomsen.

Healing Touch Practice: High Mesa Healing Center, 101 Mader Lane, Alto; 6:30 p.m. third Wednesdays and 1 p.m. second Thursdays.

Kirtan: High Mesa Healing Center, 101 Mader Lane, Alto; 6 p.m. second Sundays; Led by Sawyer Ward.

Meditation Group: Wallflowers Bed and Breakfast, 573 Highway 380 West, Capitan, hosts a weekly 9 a.m. Tuesday Meditation group. Free. Info: 354-0967.

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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.

T'ai Chi: High Mesa Healing Center, 101 Mader Lane, Alto; 5:30 p.m. Wednesdays and 8:30 a.m. Saturdays; Instructor Jim Blackburn.

Wisdon Circle: High Mesa Healing Center, 101 Mader Lane, Alto; 6:30 p.m. second and fourth Wednesdays; Facilitation rotates.

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 Bird Club: Monthly field trips to various locations. Open to the public. For more information, call 257-5352, or 258-3862.

Lincoln County Garden Club: 9:45 a.m. every third Tuesday at various locations; Joyce, 258-4663.

Mountain Money Managers Investment Club: Meets the second Monday of each month at Cree Meadows Country Club. Info: Jim Miller, 336-7710.

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 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.

Ruidoso Book Review/Discussion Group: Meets 10 a.m. first Wednesdays; Ruidoso Public Library, 107 Kansas City Road; Public is welcome.

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.

Youth Chess Club: 3:30-5 p.m., Thursdays; Ruidoso Public Library; Info: 258-3704 or 336-2246.

Education

Fun at the Library for Ages 6-12: Every Saturday afternoon, 1-3 p.m. Ruidoso Public Library, 107 Kansas City Rd. Info: 258-3704.

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: 257-2081, www.fbcruidoso.com.

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.

Sierra Blanca Daughters of the American Revolution: Info: 258-3045.

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 gdun-can@valornet.com.

Republican Party of Lincoln County: Dinner at 6 p.m., program at 7 p.m., every second Monday. For location and other info: John, 808-4321.

LET'S GO!

The Hubbard goes Hollywood

The echoes of the guns had barely finished reverberating up and down Tombstone's streets in 1881 when controversy began over the so-called "Gunfight at the OK Corral," and that controversy continues to this day. Despite the thousands of books, articles, movies and television shows, the legendary street fight is still a hotly-contested topic among historians.

Tonight, March 23, marks the date of the opening reception of the Hubbard Museum of the American West's exhibit "Wyatt Earp goes to the Movies: Hollywood Myth & Reality," which runs through Aug. 12. The dauntless Mr. Earp and his brothers have not appeared at the Hubbard Museum since the 2003 Exhibit, "Gunfighter," to which "Wyatt Earp Goes to the Movies" has been compared.

The Exhibit itself will consist of some of the firearms belonging to Peter Sherayko, who played "Texas Jack" in the film *Tombstone*. Not only the pistol that actor Michael Biehn (as Johnny Ringo) twirled in the memorable "cup" scene with Val Kilmer (Doc Holliday), but also the same long-barreled "single action army" inscribed to Wyatt Earp from the "grateful citizens of Dodge City" will be there. Additionally, the museum has collected numerous other artifacts and graphics from *Tombstone* for the exhibit.

There will be lectures and shows through the course of the Exhibit's summer run. Also, at this evening's opening reception for the exhibit, Peter Sherayko will be present to sign copies of his book, *Tombstone: The Guns and Gear*.

For more information on how to become a member and to receive an invitation to the opening, call the museum at 378-4142.

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Peter Sherayko with a friend in one of his numerous film roles.

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Out the Window

The Altrusa Club of Ruidoso will hold their third annual Fashion Show and Tea, March 31 at 2 p.m. The fundraiser, held at Alto Lakes Country Club, will feature fashions from five of Ruidoso's most popular clothing stores: Rebekah's; Brunell's, V. Renee's, Michelle's and Corral West. Altrusa Club members will model some of the exciting spring styles available in these shops.

Classical guitarist Tomas Vigil will play, and tea sandwiches and other light fare will be served. The event also features a silent auction and door prizes. Local merchants and artists have been very generous in providing items for the auction and prizes.

All proceeds from this event will be used to support Altrusa's many community service projects, including scholarships, literacy and domestic abuse projects. "This fundraiser is so important to our community service efforts," said Mary Kay Sarrett, co-chairperson of the show. "It's a great opportunity to see the latest spring fashions and get together with your friends and neighbors for a good cause." Tickets are $20 each and must be purchased in advance.

For information and tickets call Terri Trotter at 258-4615.

Last year's stylish models, from l to r: Helen Woodfin, Bobbie Milburn, Karen McMurtry, Deb Sturtevant, Mary Allen, Terri Trotter and Mary Kay Sarrett.

Art Galleries & Studios

(Continued from page 20)

Creative Designs • 917 New York Ave., Alamogordo • Monday - Friday, 10 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. • 434-4420 • Ongoing selection of carefully chosen works in all media by local artists.

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.

W. Kohler Lamp and Shade Company Gallery • 173 US Hwy 82, Alamogordo • 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., Monday - Saturday • 437-8441 • Distinctive mesquite lamps and copper lampshades made on location. Studio tours available.

Cloudcroft

Bear Track • 502 Burro Ave. • 682-3046 • Native American arts and 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.

Del Sol • 200 St. Francis Dr. • 585-4581.

Horse Feathers • 316 Granado • 585-4407 • Pottery, jewelry, Native American arts & crafts, gifts.

Calls for Artists & Others

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.

Pony Express Posters

Poster artwork sought depicting the spirit and time frame of the Pony Express mail carriers, sponsored by the Lincoln County Sheriff's Posse. Deadline for submissions is March 30. Info: Richard Rumpf at 354-4263 or Cynthia at 354-0686 or email cynthial@-starband.net.

Fine Art & Rose Show

Animas Creek Nursery is hosting the 2nd Annual Fine Art & Rose Show April 21-22. More than 2,000 customers are anticipated to be in attendance from New Mexico, Arizona, Colorado and Texas. Space is available for 100 artists to feature and sell their work at this free art event which also features local restaurants and musicians and more than 5,000 rose bushes in bloom. For more information call Mike or Suzi Slater, 740-2181, or write to Animas Creek Nursery, HC 31, Box 32, Caballo, NM 87931.

New Mexico Women Artists

Entries are sought for a juried and invitational exhibition of New Mexico Women Artists, sponsored by The New Mexico Committee of the National Museum of Women in the Arts. Open to all media, both two and three dimensions, including jewelry, pottery and fiber arts. All works must be original, executed within the last two years and not previously exhibited in N.M. Artists may submit up to three works of art. Deadline is May 12. For more information and details, visit www.newmexicowomeninthearts.com.

Rio Grande Art Association

Juried show calling all artists in the Southwest for oil/acrylic and mixed media works. $3,500 in cash and prizes. Deadline for digital images is June 1. Show will run July 27-Aug. 26 at the Arts Alliance Building. For prospectus, send SASE to: Rio Grande Art Association – Freda Thorsen, P.O. box 53307, Albuquerque, NM, 87153. Info: 293-3811 or email fthorsen@comcast.net.

Celebration of Life

Life Gate El Paso is sponsoring its 4th annual "Celebration of Life" on Easter weekend, April 6- 7. It is a venue where artists may use their gifts and talents as worship to the Lord. We have displays of every kind of art from paintings and drawings to computer graphics and photography, pottery and sculpture, to singing and dancing and carious musical presentations and we iclude poetry and story reading, etc. If it is an art form we want it. Art need not be religious in nature, but family-friendly. No fees to enter, and attendance is free of charge. Info: visit www.LifeGateElPaso.us, or call 915-593-1122.

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 has already given several public performances, and is seeking interested musicians to join the ensemble. For more information about the band program, call ENMU-Ruidoso at 257-2120 or toll free at 1-800-934-3668.

Gold Rush Vendors

Vendors are being sought for the first "Gold Rush Days" planned over Memorial Day Weekend in White Oaks, N.M., once reportedly the second largest city in New Mexico until the gold panned out. The event, among other activities, will offer visitors a gold-panning kit and a bucket of tailings from one of the local and legendary gold mines. Also planned is a chuck wagon cook-off and a kid's stick-horse type rodeo.

Vendors interested in participating in the event are urged to contact Steve or Wanda Clouatre at 648-5618, or email goldrush@-whiteoaksnewmexico.com.
Vendor forms are also available at

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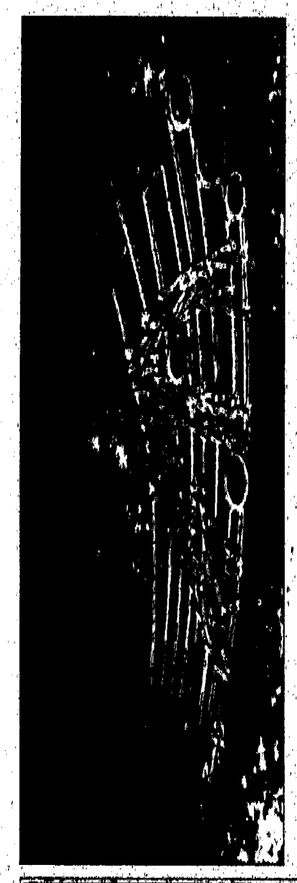
Shamana Jewelry

Zoe de Negri hand crafts fine jewelry with precious metals and stones. She recently opened Shamana Jewelry on historic Twelfth Street in Carrizozo, and is also a featured artist in the High Mesa Artists Studio Tour coming up April 7-8.

The artist's jewelry is constantly changing, even after 30 years, with the appearance of newly mined stones and beads in new shapes and sizes, along with the increasing customer interest in the spiritual properties of stones.

Newly discovered or learned metal techniques all conspire to inspire de Negri's work. Open weekends, by chance and by appointment. Come and visit Shamana Jewelry for a unique experience.



Dennis Martin

Another featured artist in the High Mesa Studio Tour is Dennis Martin, whose varied works include studies of elk in striking colors, as well as the adobe house below and the work on the cover of this week's ¡Vamonos!

The High Mesa tour runs 9 a.m.-5 p.m. April 7-8 and showcases the talents of 15 artists at seven locations along Highway 37.

For information about the tour, call Richard at 354-4263.

High Mesa Artists

STUDIO TOUR

Saturday, April 7
9 am to 5 pm
Sunday, April 8
9 am to 5 pm

15 Artists
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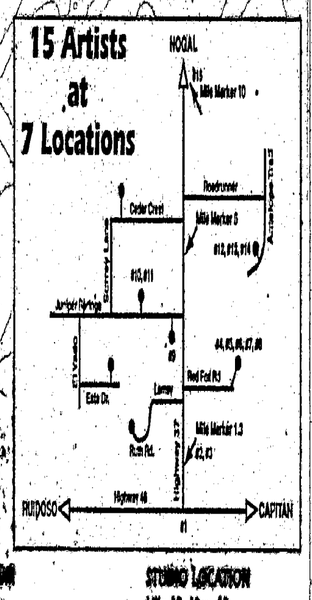
7 Locations



		STUDIO LOCATION
1. [illegible]	Jewelry	Mile 10, Hwy 48
2. Dennis Martin	Oil Painting	Mile 1.3, Hwy 37
3. Diane Hamilton	Pen&Ink Art	Mile 1.3, Hwy 37
4. Dalley Ford	Blacksmith	109 Red Fox Lane
5. Noelle Ferguson	Weaving, Pottery, Watercolors	109 Red Fox Lane
6. Joan Roadcloser	Quilts	109 Red Fox Lane
7. Alice & Steve Royer	Jewelry	109 Red Fox Lane
8. Richard Rumpf	Metal Sculpture, Blacksmithing	109 Red Fox Lane
9. Jim Wall	Oil Painting, Acrylic on Wood	103 Juniper Springs
10. Madeline Sabo	Wood Turning/Painting	130 Juniper Springs
11. Steve Sabo	Wood Turning	130 Juniper Springs
12. Patty Gallegos	Pastel Painting/Pottery	164 Antelope Trail
13. David Gallegos	Pottery	164 Antelope Trail
14. Mike Gleb	Creations in Copper & Brass	164 Antelope Trail
15. Leroy Anderson	Copper Repousse & Sculpture	1125 Hwy 37

For Information, contact Richard at (505) 354-4263 Paid for by LINCOLN COUNTY LODGERS TAX

Openings & Workshops

Jewelry Making with Zoe de Negri

Thursdays: (Carrizozo) Instructor Zoe de Negri has more than 30 years experience making jewelry. Learn jewelry making techniques, including soldering, with a variety of metals and stones. 11 a.m.-4 p.m. $35 each class. The Studios on Twelfth Street, Carrizozo. For more information call 648-2598 or email gallery408@tularosa.net.

Basket Weaving

April 15: (Carrizozo) Enjoy making a basket from start to finish with Louise Groethe using natural materials and a few common household tools. Learn various weaving techniques. Beginners welcome. 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. $35 includes all materials. The Studios on Twelfth Street, Carrizozo. For more information call 648-2598 or email gallery408@tularosa.net.

"Richard Bryant, Close to Home"

April 21: (Carrizozo) "Close to Home" features new photographs by Richard Bryant, world-class photographer whose images frequently appear in *National Geographic*. Wine reception for the artist, 5-7 p.m. at Gallery 408 on Twelfth Street, Carrizozo. For more information call 648-2598 or email gallery408@tularosa.net.

Grand Opening - "Shamana Jewelry"

April 21: (Carrizozo) Fine handcrafted jewelry by Zoe de Negri. 415 Twelfth Street, Carrizozo. (See story above.)

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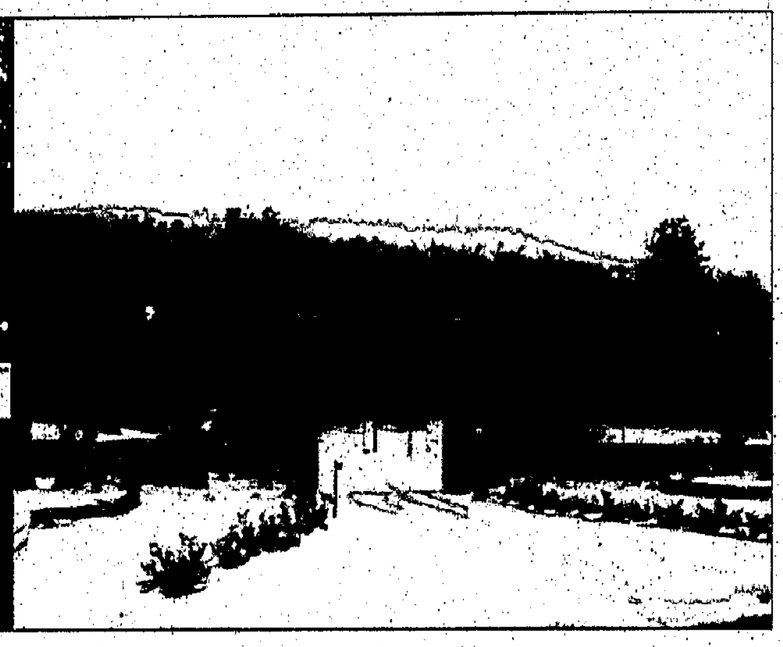
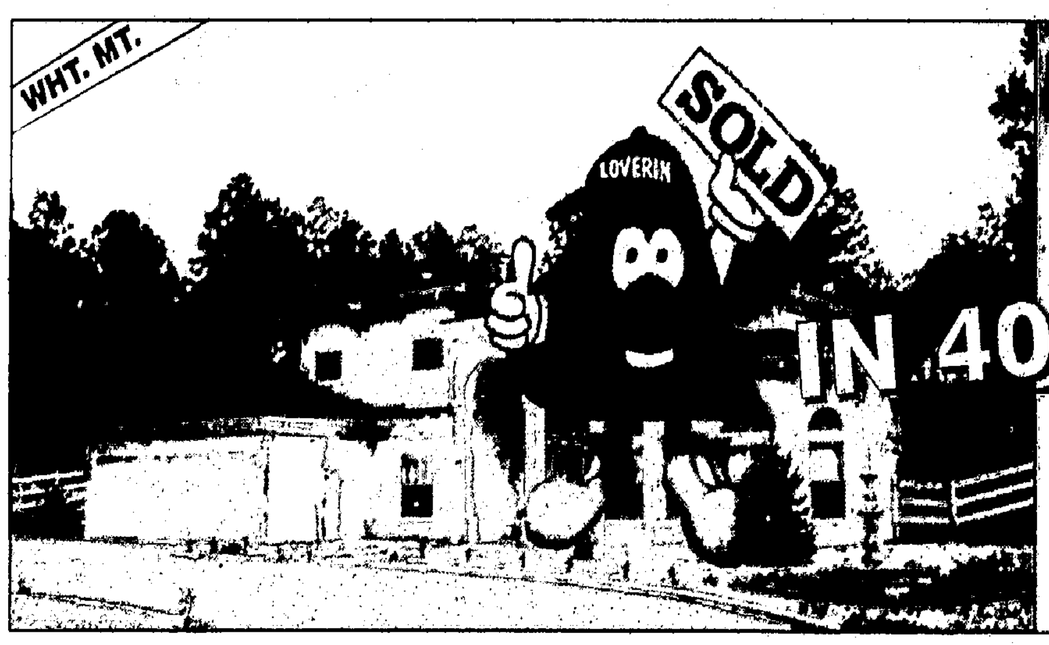


ONE-OF-A-KIND ENCHANTING ADOBE ON EAGLE CREEK

The private gated entry merely hints at the beauty of the property inside a fully fenced 6.8 ac. Double-wall adobe, brick floors, handmade doors, 4 Kivas, Boveda ceiling & charming studio. Call L/A for details. **$995,000.** #18645.

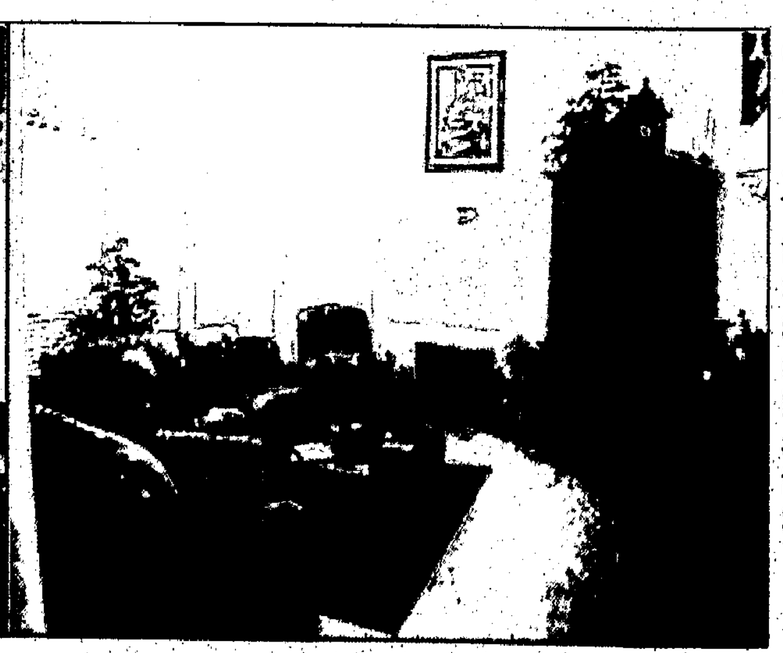
ALTO ARCHITECTURALLY DESIGNED MOUNTAIN MODERN IN GORGEOUS SETTING!

A 1 acre lot with big views is perfect for this 4 br., 4 ba. full-golf home with 2 masters and 2 living areas. Double garage plus one for the golf cart! Fabulous low-maintenance deck, new wood flooring, and 2 cozy fireplaces for warmth and ambiance. **$798,500.** #17437



BEAUTIFUL, CONTEMPORARY STUCCO IN WHT. MTN. AREA!

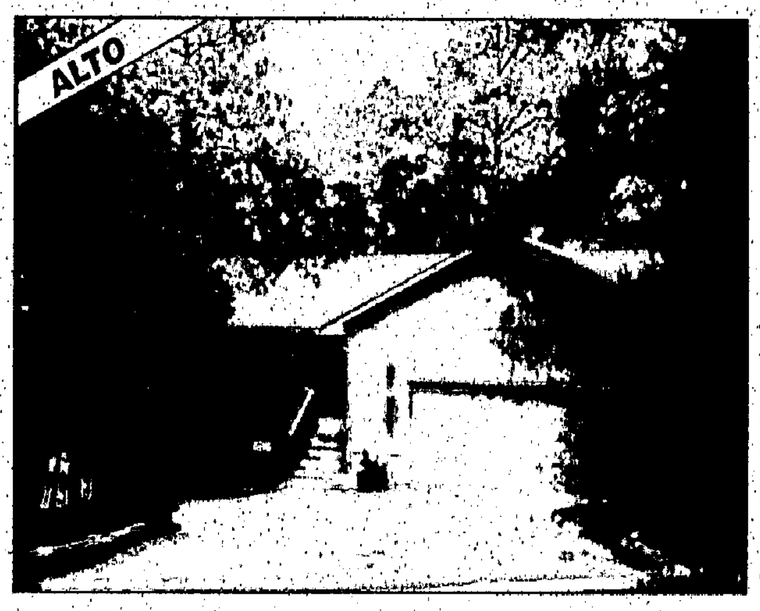
A very attractive exterior and a corner lot make a wonderful 1st impression! 5 br. and 3 ½ baths provide spacious and luxurious living. Two master suites, 3 car garage, wonderfully landscaped. Desirable in every way. **$520,000.** #18571



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

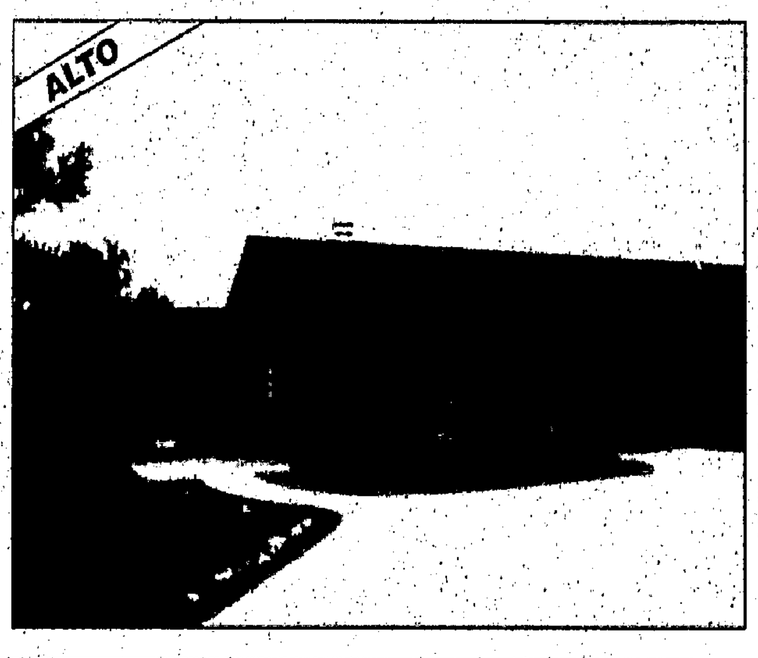
"As longtime members of Alto Lakes Golf and Country Club we can certainly attest to the many enjoyable times that our family has enjoyed at this fine facility. Richard has served on the numerous Alto committees for many years, and we have enjoyed watching the club grow. It's reasonable dues structure and the beautiful amenities make Alto a place you'll want to be.
We look forward to helping you in your Alto search."
— Richard and Janis



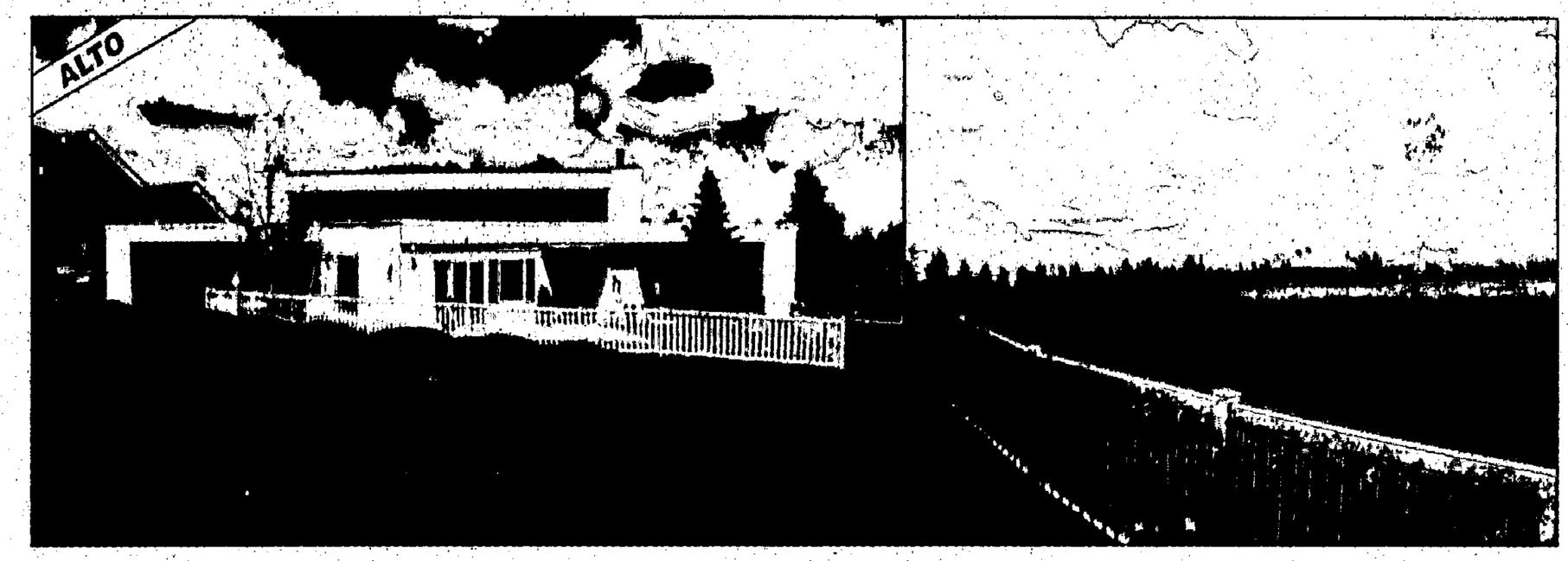
TASTEFULLY FURNISHED ALTO GOLF MEMBERSHIP HOME
This classy 4 br. home with interior wood accents is perfect for entertaining. Fabulous open concept. Cozy and elegant on a corner lot. Great kitchen w/ exquisite handmade tile. Master on main level. Very desirable! **$559,000. #18352**

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**

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. **$435,000. #16666**



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**



CONTEMPORARY ALTO STUCCO ON FAIRWAY!
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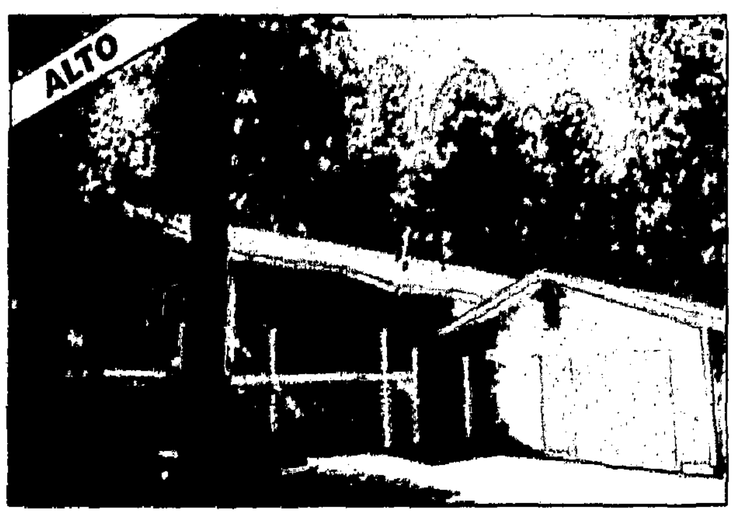
CHARMING ONE-LEVEL ALTO HOME. UNDER $310 K!

Perfectly placed on a ½ acre lot in Deer Park Woods! This 3/2 is light-filled and is accented by a beautiful river rock fireplace. Full golf too. Desirable and well-priced! **$308,500. #16068**

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**



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! **$249,500. #16516**

FULL-GOLF ALTO 3 BR. HOME WITH CHARMING CHALET FLAVOR

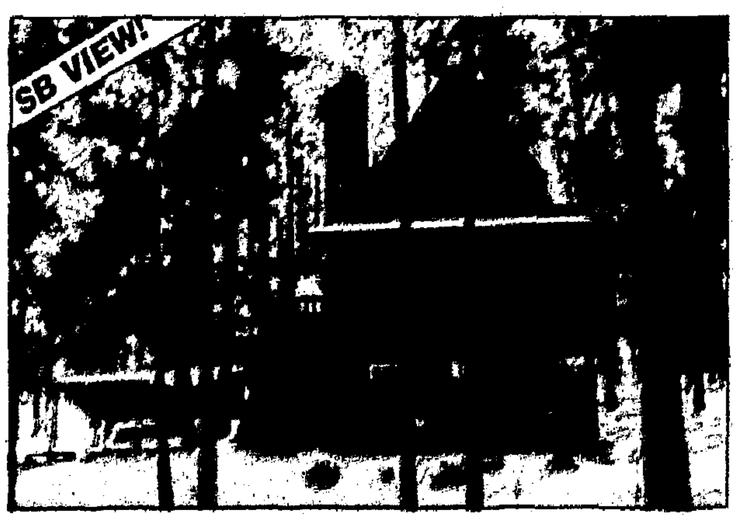
Beautiful area in Alto and Sierra Blanca view too! New septic system, metal roof, natural gas furnace & deck! Luggage & grocery lift for your convenience. Great price! Great Alto offering under $270K. **$269,500. #17316**

4 BR., 4 BA. ONE-LEVEL ALTO TOWNHOUSE

What an excellent unit! You'll love the one-level floor plan, lovely Capitan views, and close proximity to the Alto golf course. Full golf too. Very desirable! New stucco gives it a fresh look w/ low maintenance. **$349,500. #16009**

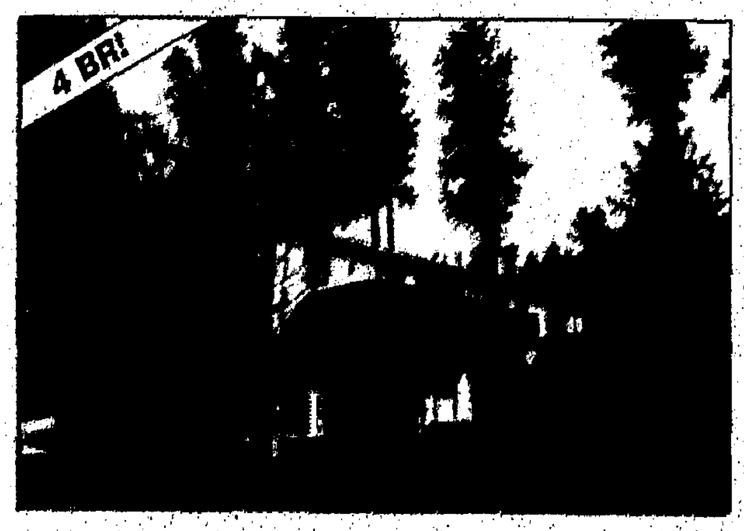
THIS ONE-LEVEL HOME HAS 4 BR. & 4 BA!

You'll love the level access, the large lot, double garage, and an additional 1 car detached garage. This extra garage could be a perfect shop or studio! Nice open floor plan. Wonderful setting in the tall pines! **$399,500. #18269**



CENTRALLY LOCATED CHARMING MOUNTAIN CHALET!

This 3 br., 2 ba. chalet is situated on a generous .71 acre lot. Fabulous Sierra Blanca view! Open concept and vaulted wood ceilings. Dreaming of an office/ studio and a workshop too? It's all here! **$345,000. #18685**



4 BR. BEAUTY IN DESIRABLE WHITE MTN. MEADOWS!

This landscaped .44 acre lot is the perfect setting for this super 4 br., 2 ½ ba. Wonderful decks for enjoying the mountain air. Fabulous oversized garage w/ workshop. Paved drive. New heat and air cond. in '06. **$349,500. #18786**

AMAZING SIERRA BLANCA VIEWS!

This open-concept 4 br, 3 ½ bath White Mtn. Home, will wow you! Two master suites. Spacious new master downstairs w/large closet. Wonderful deck w/panoramic view. New stucco exterior. Exceptional home on McBride! **$419,500.** #14001.

ELEGANT STUCCO WITH SUN-SPLASHED INTERIORS!

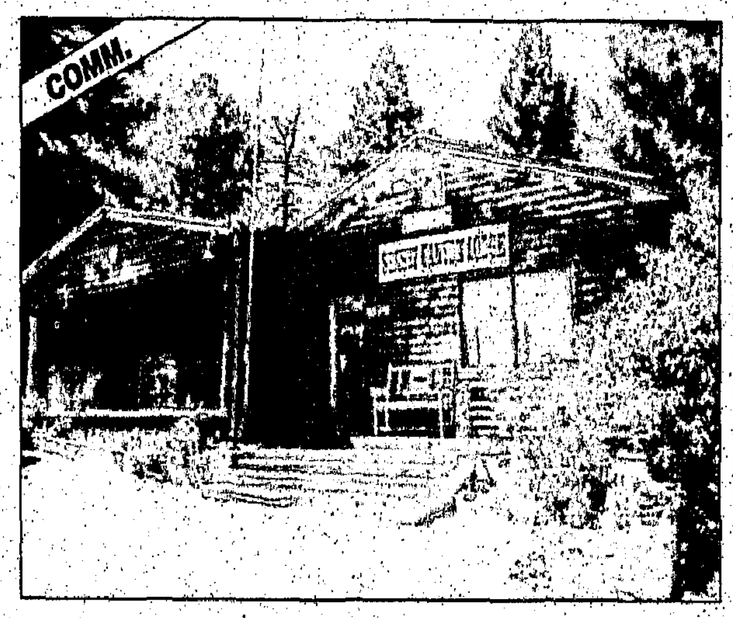
This amazing 4 br., 3 ½ ba. has quality features throughout. Radiant heat, granite countertops, and Sub-Zero fridge to name a few. Appealing in every way. Fabulous gourmet kitchen... elegant, warm, & charming. **$595,000.** #15733

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

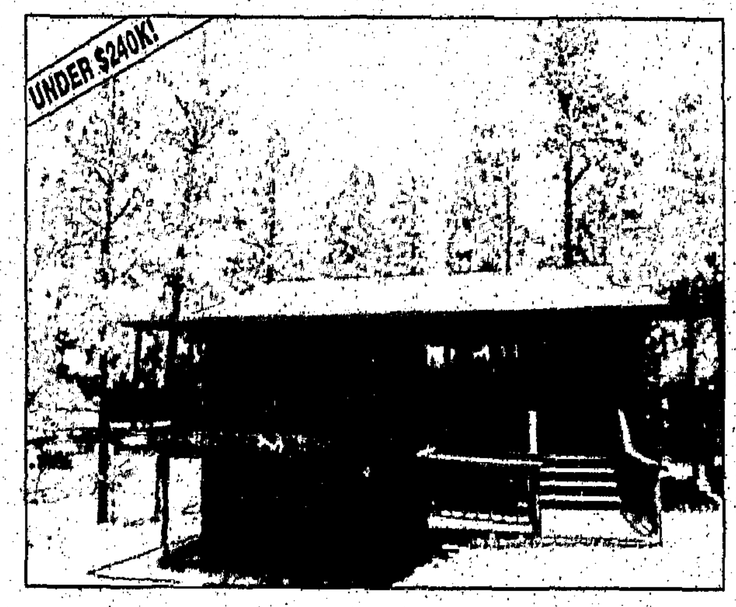
BRIGHT AND CHEERY 3 BR. ON SNOWCAP!

This convenient one-level home has a 345 sq.ft. heated shop/ studio w/ ½ bath. Utility has nice office area. Double garage includes storage you'll love. Open concept living, dining and kitchen create a wonderful living space. Great decks & paved driveway. So nice! **$325,000.** #18625



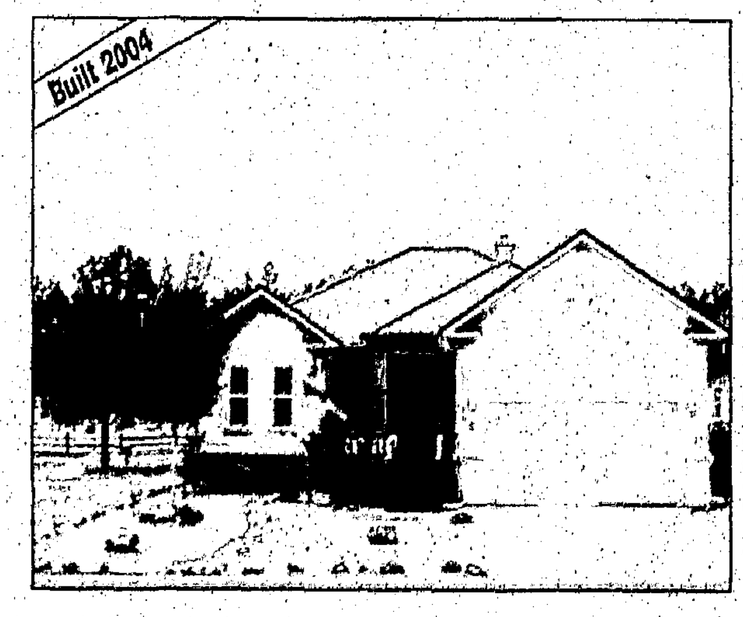
SUNSET CANYON LODGE OOZES RUIDOSO CHARM!

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! **$389,500.** #18773



TALL PINES SURROUND THIS CHARMING HOME

This 2 br home captures the essence of mountain living. Warm, wood interior. Fully furnished and centrally located. One level and a 2-car garage w/ workshop. Very livable! **$239,500.** #17057



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

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! **$275,000** #16806

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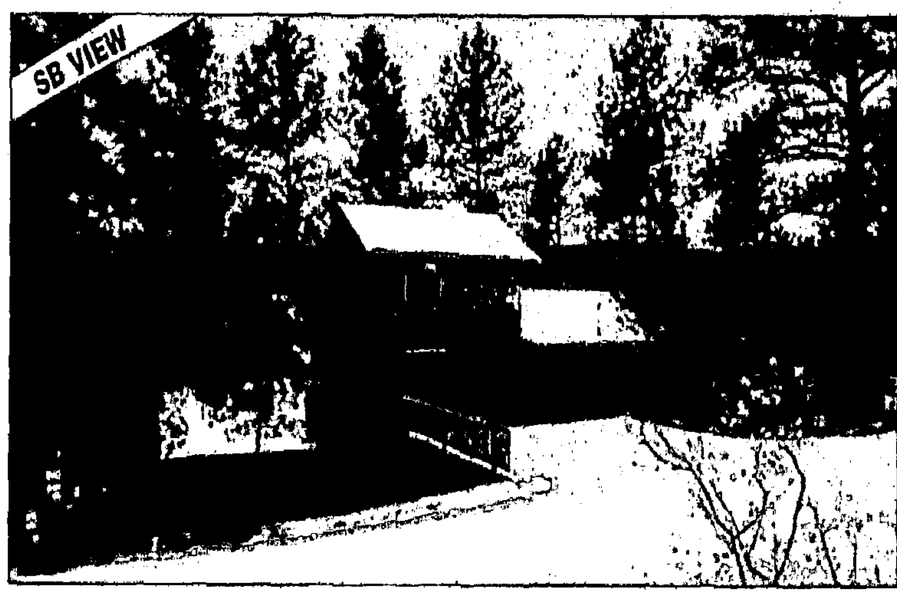
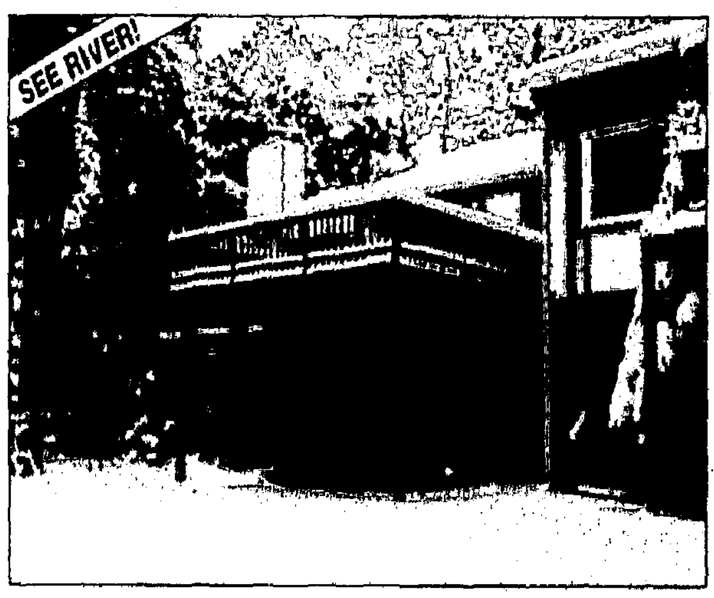
The beauty and seclusion of the Ruidoso area enhance the fun of hiking, fishing, camping, horseback riding and the ever popular golfing! You can also enjoy the excitement of Quarter Horse and Thoroughbred Racing at Ruidoso Downs Race Track or a quiet evening of fabulous entertainment at The Spencer Theater. Ruidoso's array of art galleries, boutiques and fine restaurants also enhance Alto Village's appeal... making it one of the most enchanting parts of the Land of Enchantment.

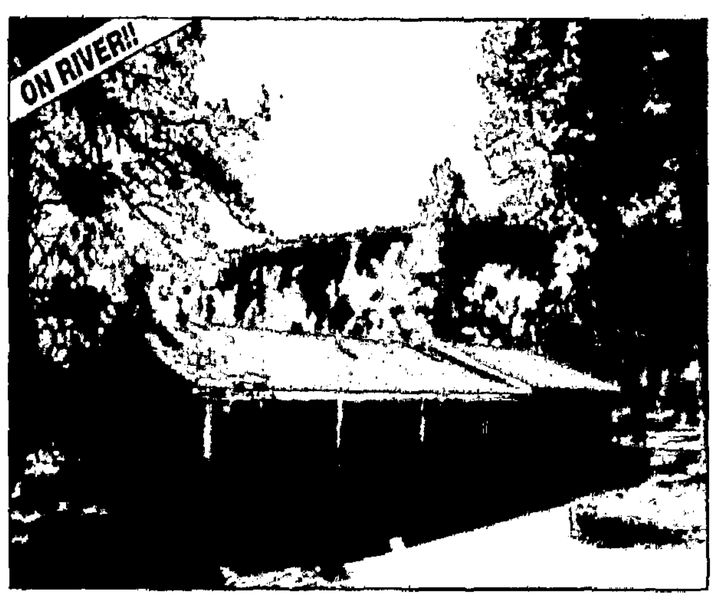


CHARMING STUCCO HOME WITH SIERRA BLANCA VIEW!
This super 3 br., 2 ½ ba. mountain home has lots of style and character. Great lot. Double garage and gas fireplace. Sit on the deck and enjoy a fabulous Sierra Blanca view! **$299,500. #16494**



GREAT 2 BD., 2 BA. NAVAJO CONDO!
These units are so great... super decks to sit and watch the Rio Ruidoso tumble on by. Walking distance to Mid-town, shopping and dining. A perfect location! Recently remodeled with many upgrades! **$249,500. #18588**

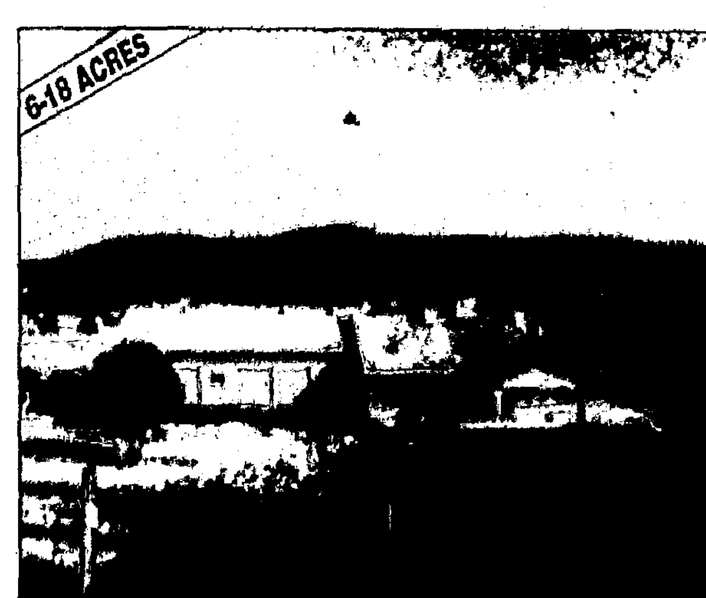
CLASSY UPPER CANYON 4 BR. HOME!
A true Ruidoso charmer. Vaulted ceilings. Knotty pine. Fabulous deck w/roll-out awning. Skylights too. The forested beauty of the appealing Upper Canyon is yours to enjoy. **$239,500. #15983**



HEART-STOPPER ON THE RIVER!
A fabulous setting with amazing river frontage is the perfect place for this recently remodeled showplace. Wonderful deck. Lovely interior with large kitchen accented by stainless steel appliances. A rare offering. **$475,000. #18199**

CONTEMPORARY MTN. HOME ON APPROX. 3/4 ACRE
This classy 3 br. has 2 ½ baths plus a study! The knotty pine interior is classic Ruidoso. Charming upscale kitchen, exterior landscaping and a studio add even more appeal. Great decks & nice views! **$369,500. #18376**

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. **$299,500. #17324**



A HORSEMAN'S DREAM ON 6.33 ACRES!
Approx. 10,800 sq.ft.! 4900 sq.ft. living area. Remaining sq.ft. (also under roof) is horse facility complete w/ foaling pens & vet room. What a value! Adjacent acreage available. **$550,000. #16064**

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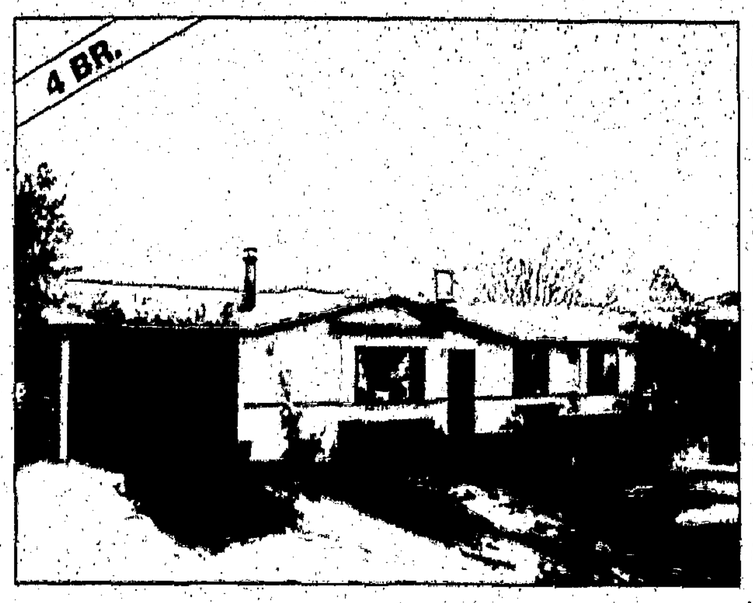


GREAT ONE-LEVEL W/ LAND-SCAPING UNDER $190,000!

This 4 Br., 3 Ba. home has 2 master bedrooms and a wonderful sun-room. Nice decks. Fenced back yard. Living room w/ fireplace. Desirable one-level at a super price! **$188,500.** #18696

VIEWS! VIEWS! VIEWS!

If you're looking for that mountain cabin, you're in luck! 2 br., 2 ba., 2 kitchens, 2 living areas, and a carport for your convenience. Expansive mountain valley views! New metal roof. **$179,500.** #18224

SUPER 3 BR. CHALET IN UPPER CANYON

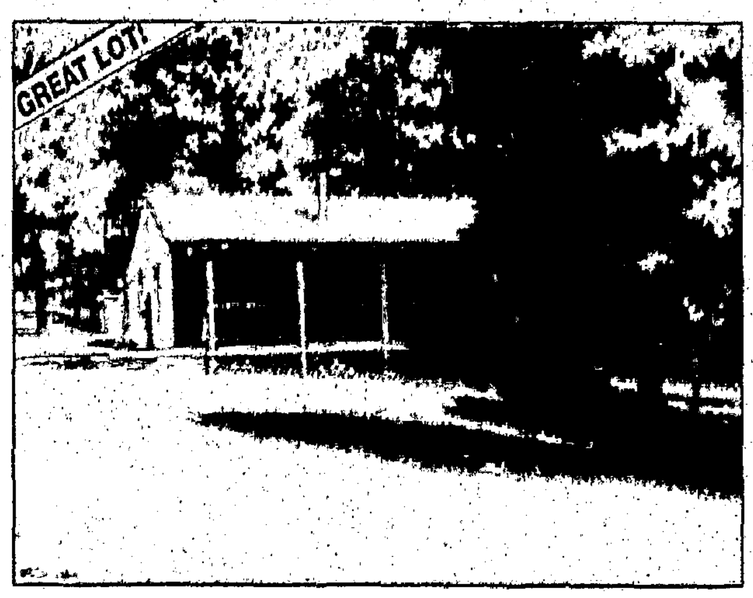
This chalet is nicely accented by a courtyard and a hot tub. From its peaceful setting, you can hear the Rio Ruidoso. Storage & partially furnished too! Wooded view. **$179,500.** #18125

UPPER CANYON 3BD., 2 BA. CHALET!

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! **$155,000.** #18060

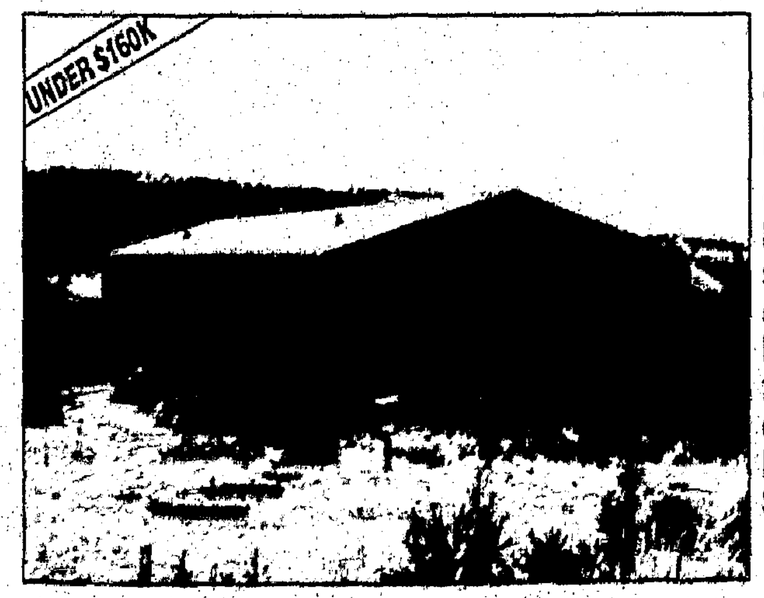
ENJOY COZY, YEAR-ROUND MOUNTAIN HOME!

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



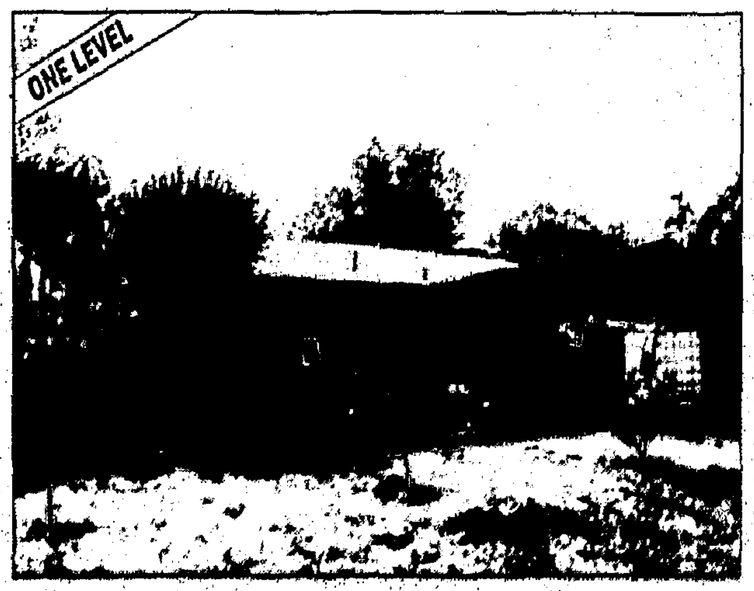
REMODELED TO PERFECTION!

This 2 br., 2 ba. home has a lovely location and is beautifully remodeled. You'll love the open - concept, one - level plan that is enhanced by this fresh re-do. Great porch for enjoying our beautiful mountain climate. Very desirable! Easy Access. **$190,000.** #17956



GREAT 3 BR., 2 BA. HOME ON .377 ACRES!

Enjoy country living at a super price. Custom deck and wonderful back yard. A nice home for a permanent family or vacation getaway. Must see at this price!... **$159,000.** MLS#16429



GREAT 3 BR. AT A SUPER PRICE!

This attractive 1-level home has many desirable features: level access for convenience, great deck for enjoying the outdoors, partially fenced & city utilities too! Storage and shop building are a real bonus! All this for a mere **$150,000!** #17569

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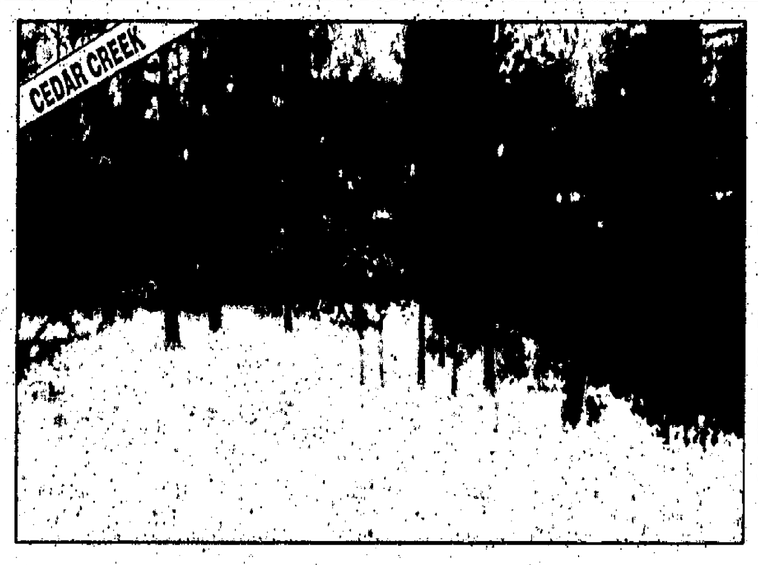
SIERRA BLANCA VIEW LOT
with full golf membership! Lake view also. Buyer to verify all utilities.
$89,500. #18354



GREAT LEVEL LOT CENTRALLY LOCATED
With Cedar Creek frontage. City utilities available. Impact fees applicable and to be paid by buyer. A builder's dream!
$69,500. #15606

GREAT BUILDING LOT
with tremendous Sierra Blanca views. Electric & community water available. Corner lot, usable slopes. Must see to appreciate!
$49,500. #18040

FABULOUS CREE MEADOWS GOLF COURSE LOT!
One of the very few course lots left. Backs up to the #2 tee box. Beautiful level lot! Don't miss this great opportunity!
$58,500. #16557

IDEAL FOR DEVELOPMENT - RACQUET COURT CONDO SITES –
Believe it or not... fabulous White Mountain location with all city utilities in the heart of town! Great access and views! A real opportunity. Call us for a pkg.
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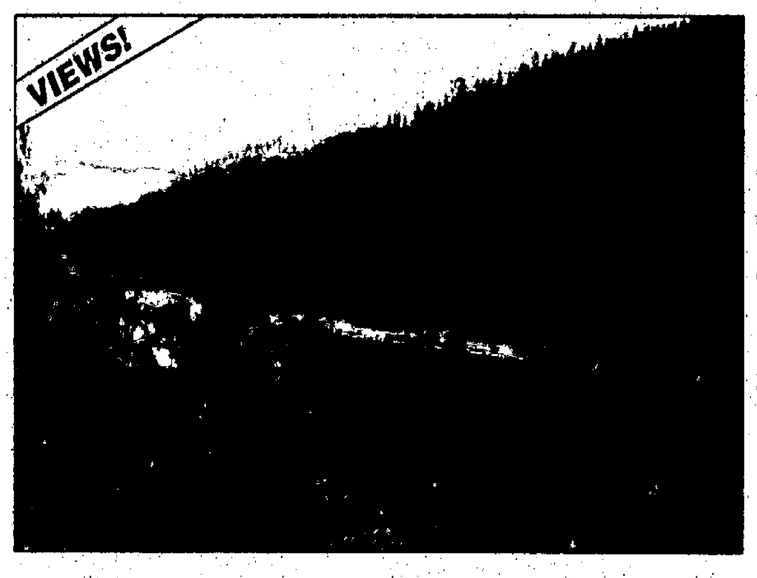

FULL GOLF LOT
with views of Alto Lake & Sierra Blanca. Gentle slopes. Buildable.
$59,500. #14592

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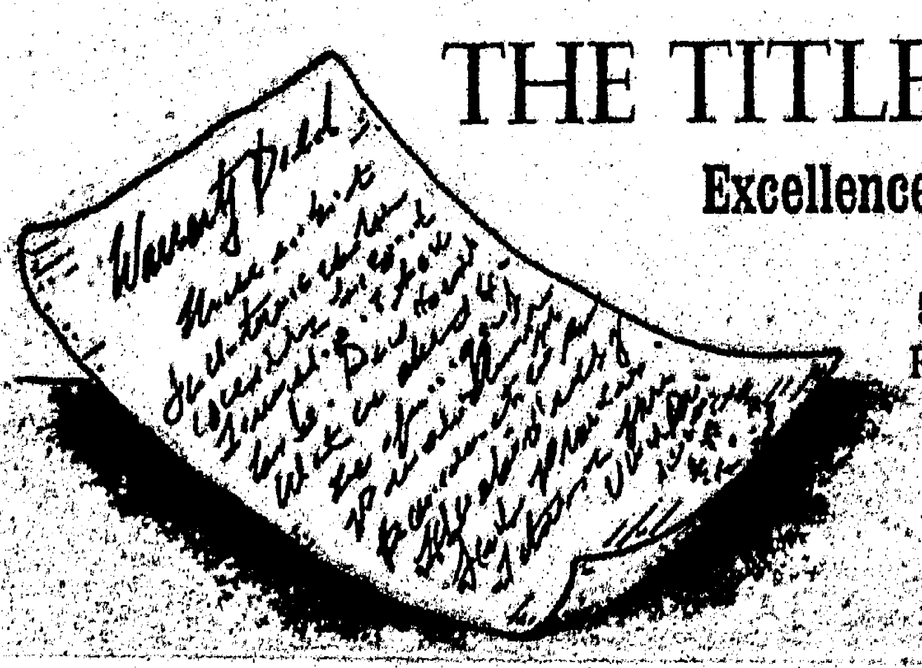
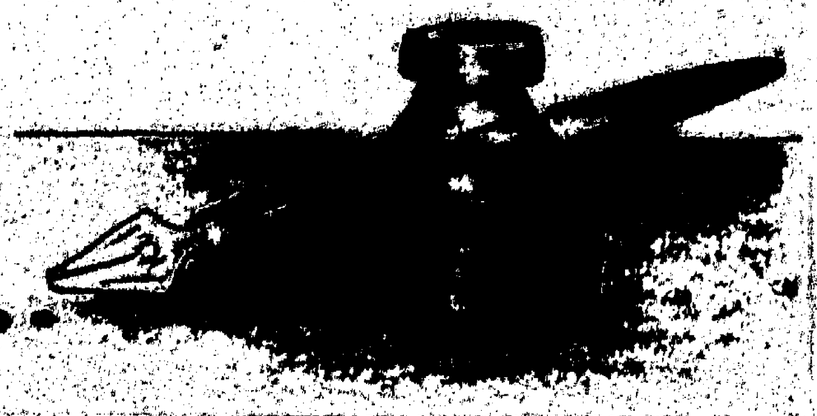
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