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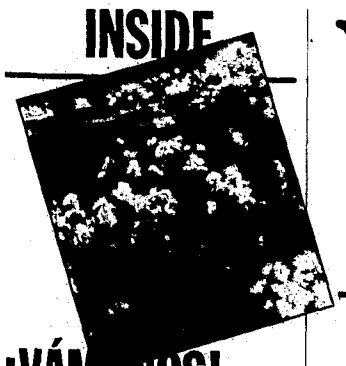

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Village selects manager

Negotiations planned for Portales city manager to replace Dan O. Higgins

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Ruidoso's mayor and administrative staff were authorized by village councilors late Wednesday to negotiate a contract with the Portales city manager for the position of village manager.

Debi Lee, who has been the Portales city manager since December 2003, served as acting city manager in Hobbs for nine months and assistant city manager for 2 1/2 years, and as city manager/city clerk in Aztec for six years.

Lee was selected from about 70 applicants for the job and five finalists brought in for personal interviews.

Nunley said she has extensive experience in New Mexico government and has developed relationships with several communities.

"She'd be a valuable resource in Ruidoso's efforts to continue to improve and prosper," he said.

Nunley was surprised and pleased with the quantity and quality of applicants for the manager's job. Councilors initially thought they might have to spend $26,000 to hire a head hunting firm to find qualified candidates. They decided instead to wait 30 days before moving ahead with a professional firm and place a few advertisements in trade and government publications, as well as newspapers .

Contacted at a conference in Albuquerque Thursday, Lee said she talked to Nunley, but hasn't spoken with staff yet about the particulars of a contract. The mayor would like her to begin her work in Ruidoso sometime in June, she said.

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Ex-Realtor executive summoned

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The former executive director of the Ruidoso Board of Realtors has been summoned to Magistrate Court on a count of embezzling more than $20,000.

Carol Lester, 69, admitted that she embezzled money between June 2004 and March 2009 while employed as executive officer for the Realtors board, according to a criminal complaint filed by Ruidoso Det. Robert Layher on May 4. She is accused of taking more than $137,000 during this period.

"I was heartbroken," Board of Realtors President Harvey Foster said. "She has done so much for the board and the community. It was devastating."

Foster had reported to Ruidoso Police on March 9 that he suspected Lester of embezzling from the board over the past five years. The amount he reported missing was $137,541.76.

Lester, according to the criminal complaint, admitted writing checks to herself and using the board's debit card for personal items and trips. She told Layher she did not remember the exact dates, times or amounts but agreed several times that the amount exceeded $20,000.

"It's a really sad situation," Foster said. "No one knows why she did it. I'm not sure she knows why she did it."

Layher issued Lester a summons to appear in court rather than arresting her.

"It is a judgment call by the officer," he said. "I took into account her age, her health, the fact that she is not a risk to the community and that I don't think she is a flight risk."

Lester is a cancer survivor.

"She gave us the impression that she won't fight it," Foster said.

Embezzlement of this type is a Class 2 Felony criminal enterprise punishable by imprisonment of between six and 12 years and a maximum fine of $10,000.

A GROWING BUSINESS

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Maria Lerma of Seasons Nursery and Gifts on Sudderth Drive in Ruidoso examines a bloom on one of the pepper plants at the business. Nurseries are seeing more people buying plants and trees to raise their own vegetables and fruits. See story, page 7A.

Lost to the culture

The mother of Joe Arviso, awaiting his fate on a 2nd-degree murder plea, laments a good boy's life gone bad

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"I lost him. I slowly lost him to the culture of alcohol, drugs and violence on the reservation," Beatrice Kinzhuma said, her head bowed and on the verge of tears.

With her son waiting for sentencing on his plea to 2nd degree murder in the death January 8, 2008, of Dustin Pesewonit on the Mescalero Apache Reservation adjoining Ruidoso, the mother of the 20-year-old Joe Arviso said she wants people to know he is not a monster.

He was a boy scout, a son who stepped in to help his mother support the family when his father no longer was around. He was respected in school and delivered the farewell speech on behalf of Mescalero students when the superintendent of the Ruidoso School District retired. He cut wood for his neighbors. He enabled his mother to raise him and his sisters without much outside assistance.

And for years, he refused to take a drink and admonished his two younger sisters to stay away from drugs and alcohol. But something changed. "He took to the life of drugs and alcohol," his mother said.

The night that stole their lives, her son was drinking. He secured several large jugs of vodka for $19.99 each, bought for the underage young man by an adult friend, and he drank and drank. Kinzhuma said the attack that led to the fatal blow that eventually took Pesewonit's life was provoked, but without both men drinking alcohol, maybe the incident never would have occurred.

"He gave it all away for $19.99," she said, shaking her head.

Kinzhuma began the interview by saying she wanted to extend the family's apologies to Pesewonit's family.

"We understand they hurt and we do too," she said. "I didn't want to do this (speak about her son), but enough is enough."

"The night of the incident (Jan. 2, 2008), we received a call that my son was going to hang himself," Kinzhuma said.

The mother, his sisters and other relatives and friends piled into a truck and drove to the Carrizo area of the reservation to look for him, some stayed on the road in the vehicle and others were on foot with flashlights.

His sister Jozie heard yelling, quite a distance away. They followed the sound.

"My son came up to me, very drunk. He smelled like a whiskey bottle and he told me of the incident and his remorse. He knew I would look and make sure he and the gentleman were OK," she said. "Jozie found (Pesewonit). She still

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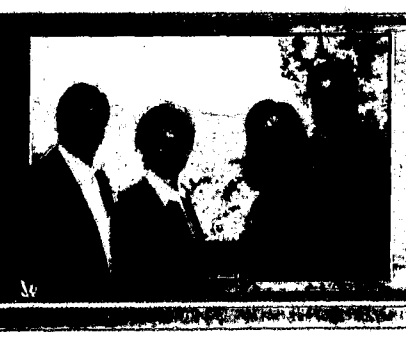

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Property law signed

Several HEAL staff and board members attended the official bill signing ceremony in Roswell with Governor Bill Richardson, who signed into law Senate Bill 4, sponsored by Sen. Rod Adair.

The new law, which goes into effect July 1, adds a new section to the Crimes Against Household Members Act, making it a crime to intentionally deprive or damage the property of a household member with the intent to intimidate, threaten or harass. This applies to property that is individually, community or jointly owned.

According to Coleen Widell, Executive Director of the Nest Domestic Violence Shelter in Ruidoso Downs, "It is very common for abusers to damage property in an attempt to coerce or threaten their victim. Almost every woman in the Nest domestic violence shelter has endured this kind of property damage. Prior to this law, abusers were not held accountable for this action. Now, thanks to Senator Adair and Governor Richardson, they will be."

Other elected officials in attendance at the bill signing included Senator Tim Jennings and Representatives Nora Espinoza, Keith Gardner, Candy Spence Ezzell and Dennis Kintigh.

COURTESY DON RATAY

Gov. Bill Richardson, seated, Sen. Rod Adair, left, and HEAL representatives attend the bill signing ceremony.

Food drive

The National Association of Letter Carriers, U.S. Postal Service, Campbell's Soup and The United Way are sponsoring a food drive Saturday.

To participate, leave non-perishable food items by your mailbox for your letter carrier to pick up, or bring them to the Post Office. The items will be taken to a local food bank.

Benefit concert

A benefit for Roy Black of the Flying J Wranglers, injured in a horseback accident, will be held Sunday, May 10, from 3 - 6 p.m. at the Flying J Ranch. Among the performers will be Wayne and Lou Ann Ellison, Bart Trotter, Rich Chorne, Tomas Vigil, Blake Martin, Jay Castleberry, Tim McCasland, Aaron LaCombe, Mickey Cochran, Dirty Jones Unplugged, Randy Jones, Frank Potter, The Graham Brothers, Terry Bullard, Lanny Maddox, Chris Miles and Tommy Martin.

An auction will be held and donations are needed.

Red Cross class

A Red Cross training class on Disaster Shelter Operation and Organization is set for 10 a.m. to noon, Saturday, at Angus Church on New Mexico Highway 48.

Call 940-0014 for more information.

Fort tour

Tours of historic Fort Stanton will begin Saturday and continue each Saturday conducted by volunteers of Fort Stanton, Inc., according to the group's president, Clinton Smith.

Interested visitors may meet at the Fort Stanton Museum at 2 p.m. to learn about the fort's history as a frontier safe haven for settlers, Buffalo soldiers and many famous military figures; as a federal tuberculosis hospital and as a temporary German internment camp during World War II.

The Fort Stanton, Inc. Web site is up and running at www.fortstanton.com for information regarding the fort 15 miles northeast of Ruidoso on New Mexico Highway 220 between NM-48 and U.S. 380.

Call Peggy Whittemore at 336-1436 for more information.

Fashion show

The Ruidoso Federated Woman's club is sponsoring a fashion show Monday presented by the Lincoln County Medical Center Auxiliary's Thrift Shop. The models will be members of the auxiliary. Visitors and guests are invited to attend the show at 11 a.m., which will be followed by a business meeting and luncheon. The club's headquarters is at 116 S. Evergreen St.

Cookie's reward

The Mid-Rio Grande Chapter of the American Red Cross awarded their first Real Heroes Award to a Ruidoso woman.

Edna "Cookie" Rodriguez was honored Tuesday, May 5, at a special breakfast ceremony at the Embassy Suites in Albuquerque for her work following the July 2008 Rio Ruidoso flood.

"I was surprised," Rodriguez said. "When the Red Cross called I thought they were wanting a donation. I was shocked when they told me I had been nominated for this award."

The day after the flood Rodriguez went to the Tee Pee Mobile Home Park along the river to check on a friend. What she found there was devastation.

The majority of the residents are non-English speaking Mexican immigrants who weren't able to communicate their needs for help. Rodriguez, who is bilingual, called friends to get the community started helping these people recover their homes and property.

Rodriguez and her friends gathered donations, building materials, carpet and padding, and volunteers to help these people rebuild their homes and replace their belongings. Rodriguez arranged to replace one home for a family of eight that was destroyed by flood waters.

EDNA "COOKIE" RODRIGUEZ

Avril Coakley, owner of Ruidoso Office Supply & Hallmark, nominated Rodriguez for the award.

"She has been so vigilant," Coakley said. "She stayed with them and helped them until March. She stopped in every day and made sure they were okay."

"I had no idea they were doing this," Rodriguez said of Coakley's nomination. "It was a great honor and I felt I was accepting the award for Ruidoso. There were a lot of people involved in helping these people. I was just the coordinator."

Sue Patton works for Coakley and was one of the friends Rodriguez called into action to help with the flood relief.

"A week after the flood the rest of went back to our jobs, Cookie stayed there," Patton said. "She showed a lot of dedication in staying with this and helping them."

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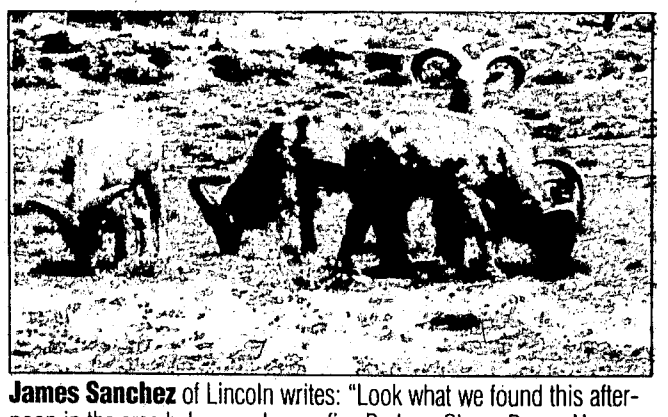
In a swift 10-hour effort last week, Ruidoso Street Department workers and contractor Jace Ensor removed a makeshift bridge structure at Fox Drive and Main Road pieced together after a July 2008 flood on the Rio Ruidoso. They replaced it with a three box culvert structure that will be used until a span-type bridge eventually is designed, approved and installed.



James Sanchez of Lincoln writes: "Look what we found this afternoon in the area below our barns: five Barbary Sheep Rams. Now we have deer, elk and turkeys in this general area along with these Billy Goat Gruffs! They are eating the green that has started to come out after the (Lincoln) fire."

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LCMC sessions

Officials with the firm of Tchoukaleff Kelly Hartke of St. Louis, the Lincoln County contractor working on the county hospital master plan, will conduct public sensing sessions next week.

The sessions will focus on the future development of the Lincoln County Medical Center in Ruidoso and are planned for:

- 9 - 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, Village of Ruidoso Chambers, 313 Cree Meadows Dr., Ruidoso
- 3 - 4:30 p.m., Tuesday, Hondo Schools Meeting Room
- 9 - 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, Capitan Village Chambers
- 1 - 2:30 p.m., Wednesday, Carrizozo Commission Chambers
- 4 - 5:30 p.m., Wednesday, Village of Corona Chambers.

Cook to speak

The Federated Republican Women of Lincoln County will meet at 11:30 a.m., May 18, at Cree Meadows Country Club. The speakers will be Zack Cook and Dennis Kintigh.

To reserve space, call 653-4379.

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Yes... it's that time again. With low winter moisture and the recent windy days our forests are very dry and prime for wildfire ignition. City Bank New Mexico would like to remind everyone that basic wildfire prevention is something we all need to pay particular attention to this Spring until our Summer rains return. Here are a few things to keep in mind:

- *Be especially careful with forest campfires... never leave them unattended and make sure they're dead out.*
- *Avoid driving your car over areas of dry grass as heat from automobiles can quickly cause ignition.*
- *Contractors and homeowners please remember that sparks from chainsaws, welding torches, and other equipment can cause wildfires as well.*
- *Smokers... please play attention to local smoking ordinances as they are enforced for our safety and never, ever, under any circumstances throw a lighted cigarette from the window of a vehicle.*

City Bank New Mexico provides regular ongoing support to our area's volunteer fire departments by donating and fundraising for equipment and supplies, allowing volunteers who are also bank employees to take paid time off for both fire calls and training opportunities and providing for the use of bank equipment and supplies for fire department mailers and brochures. We encourage others in our community to support their efforts as well in anyway they can.

Lastly, we thank all the volunteers from the Hondo, Glencoe, Bonito, Nogal, Capitan, Arabella, White Oaks, Lincoln, Fort Stanton, Corona and Carrizozo Volunteer Fire Departments. Wildfire Safety is all of our responsibility... help keep Ruidoso safe this Spring.

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Water exemption on gardens a 'green' move

Councilors understand a growing reality

When you bring home fruits and vegetables from the market, you likely rinse them off before storing them in the refrigerator.

Thus, exempting water restrictions on vegetable gardens, should restrictions in general be imposed this summer, is not a total "waste" of precious resources.

We agree with village staff and councilors who approved the exemption last week. Their action recognizes that more people are growing "victory gardens" in 2009 due to both the economic downturn and a growing appreciation for pesticide-free produce.

And we can thank Michelle Obama for her timely, symbolic horticultural gesture at the White House.

Actually, after the expenses, growing a kitchen garden is not all that economical, at least in the beginning or on a small scale. The rewards are more esoteric: a communion with the soil and the sky that connects us to our lot in life, with added benefits of physical exercise and stress relief.

Good show, councilors.

Lost in space: America shelves its pioneering spirit

You've perhaps heard the U.S. Senate referred to as "the most exclusive club in the world." It's not.

Today, we talk about what may truly be considered the most exclusive club not merely of our world but of all time. It's that group of 12 American men who have walked on the moon, New Mexican Harrison Schmitt among that number.

JEFFRY GARDNER

In fact, Schmitt was the last person to arrive on the moon and the next to last man to leave it. His partner on that excursion, Gene Cernan, has the distinction of being the last man on the moon.

Schmitt served one term in the Senate before losing his next race to Jeff Bingaman. Too bad.

Recently, I was seated near Schmitt on a flight from Kansas City to Albuquerque. Here was living history, a member of the most exclusive club in world history (though it's easy to argue the 12 disciples were a pretty elite group, as well).

But more than world or national history, Schmitt represents the very significant role New Mexico plays in mankind's space history.

The New Mexico Spaceport hangs like a skin tag off the body of our state's connection with space exploration. What with the early hype about rich men's suborbital joyrides being the facility's driving initiative, it is hard to take the Spaceport project seriously.

Fortunately, our history in relation to space exploration is marked with real triumphs and distinction, starting with Robert Goddard's decision to set up shop in Roswell in the early 1930s. Roswell provided the perfect venue for Goddard to conduct his experiments.

Goddard was America's Werner von Braun. In fact, von Braun cribbed from Goddard as much as he could. To Goddard's credit, not only was he able to envision space exploration, he was able to see, as well, the need to keep his work discrete.

In fact, his peers often resented his secretive manner and some set about to damage his reputation. When the U.S. Army Air Corps funded rocketry experiments at Cal Tech – 9 years after spurning Goddard's invitation to work with him – he was rightfully angry.

Goddard didn't begin his work in New Mexico, but the leaps he made in propulsion and aerodynamics are rooted in the desert outside of Roswell. His fingerprints could be found on rockets from Atlas to Saturn in our space program and on countless space programs worldwide.

I bring this up because on May 1, NASA announced it was starting to lay off workers as a result of our decision to retire the Space Shuttle. In a year, for the first time since Project Mercury, America will not have the capability to launch an astronaut into outer space.

It comes at a time when our national psyche must be reeling. General Motors is tumbling. Our economy is teetering while Big Government lurks like a rabid dog waiting to strike. Our president is traveling the world proclaiming, in essence, that America isn't extraordinary at all. And our once-brilliant space program will carry on sans a vehicle to carry us into orbit.

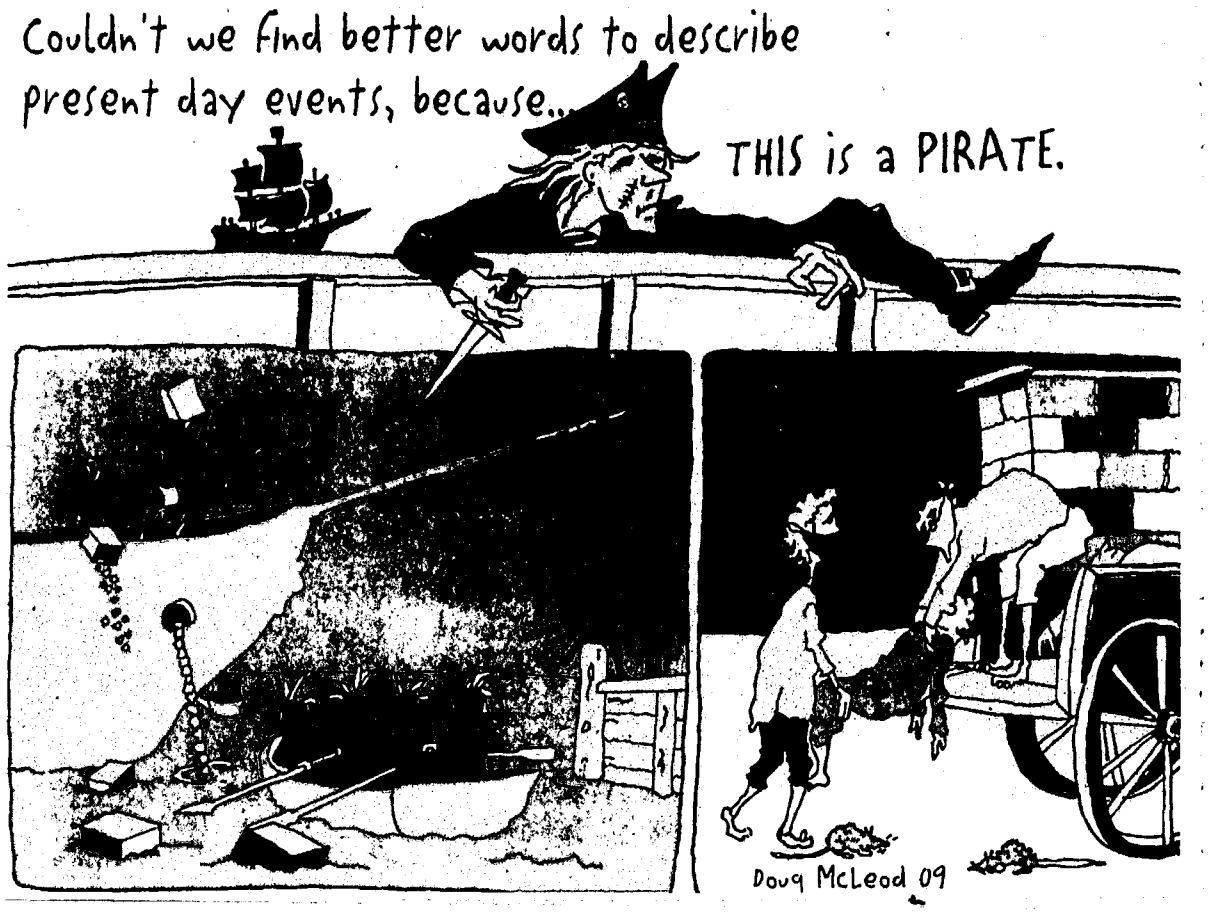
We'll hitchhike with the Russians and Japanese.

With all of this in mind, I asked Schmitt if he ever imagined that when he and Cernan climbed back into the Lunar Module for the final time on Dec. 14, 1972, that more than 30 years would pass and still there would be no return in sight?

"We knew we were the last Apollo mission, of course. And if you look at history there have always been gaps of time between great explorations," he said. "We'll go back. Man will, I mean. Maybe not (the United States), but someone."

Years ago who could imagine a world where the United States didn't push onward, didn't continue to fuel its national spirit with the desire to pioneer. Then again, who could imagine the government running General Motors?

– New Mexico News Services



YOUR OPINION

Reading the pump: Must be tourist season

To the editor:

I NOTICED THAT regular unleaded gasoline prices increased today by 23 cents per gallon. Also noted that these prices were now again the same at all stations, which is unusual. Recently we had variations, which seemed to be more competitive.

Oil prices quoted at national level have only increased $2 to $3 per barrel over an extended time. Have we locals once again become tourists?

Mac Smith
Ruidoso

Grateful for the service

To the editor:

I LIVE IN THE Rancho Ruidoso area and was one of the many who could not get home last Thursday evening while dozens of emergency vehicles and hundreds of firefighters battled the fire in our area.

I wanted to jump on the wagon and thank each firefighter who kept the fire from inflicting any fatalities or structural loss. I am the grateful recipient of their hard work, and my home was saved as were hundreds others because of their diligence.

I tried twice to enter my area and go home after a long day at work, only to be restrained by our local and state police force. Both times, each officer treated me with polite respect, and also gave me as much information as they had in the process of containing the traffic flow.

I fully agreed that I didn't want to be in the way as the emergency vehicles and firefighters did their jobs. I was glad to wait until it was safe to enter our area again, and was able to safely go home around 10 p.m.

I've tried in the past few years to live exhibiting the idea that "stuff is just stuff and people are people." While not wanting to lose my home and my belongings, I was grateful that both my husband and I were safe. No lives were lost and there were many people working to save not only our home but hundreds of others. Kudos to all of them.

Can I also use this forum to thank another individual? We have had an absolutely wonderful UPS delivery man named Louie for several years. He has been personable, very competent, and always goes above and beyond the minimum delivery service. He's delivered in the Capitan area for years and is in the process of moving to the Alto/Ruidoso delivery area.

I just wanted to publicly thank Louie for his years of excellent work. I've never had a delivery person who remembered to sincerely ask about my family members, who knew when and when not to deliver packages and also would deliver heavy items right where I asked. He is to be commended for such excellent service and I will miss his work.

I am very glad I live here in Lincoln county and wanted to extend my thanks to at least some of the folks who continue to make me grateful that this is my home.

Sue Hutchison
Capitan

Stewart correct

To the editor:

GARY LANNING'S LETTER on May 1 needs some clarification. Tom Stewart was absolutely correct that census takers can be shot. They are not federal employees, they are sub-contractors of the federal government and must abide by all local, state and federal trespass laws.

If they trespass, they can be arrested and they are on their own for fines, etc.

The census takers need to read the fine print of the contract they signed. Trespass on my land and you will be shot, Tom is correct and his statement was just a warning to those census takers who think they can come onto posted property.

So, census takers, beware, you do not have power to trespass on private property.

Kathy Norton
Capitan

Encouraging the arts

To the editor:

MY BUILDING AT 201 Country Club in the Village of Ruidoso. was approved with a CUP when it was bought in 1989 for an artist live/work permit, and the signs by Candace Garrett, were also approved at that time by the Planning and Zoning, and the building inspector of the Village of Ruidoso.

This property has been used by the Westbrooks, since that time as an artist live work site, and nothing has changed in its usage.

I last used this property, (properly approved by the village for years), in 2006 as an art studio, and owing to the ill health of my husband and his subsequent death, I have not opened my studio to the public. I recently started to think about reopening the studio and went to the city to renew my business license. I have found some things I respectfully find invasive and troubling.

Why reexamine a home/business, approved for years and signage the same, when nothing has changed? This is a simple resumption of activities that add panache and generates the image of a cultured town. I have been an active proponent for the arts since I moved here in 1989. I founded the original Arts and Film Commission for the Village in 1991, wrote a successful grant for the arts granted by the State of New Mexico; spoke before the Legislature on Art in Public places, started a downtown gallery tour, have spoken before state conventions for all travel and transportation industries about "The ABC's of Art and Tourism" partnering in San Antonio, Texas, at the request of Southwest Airlines' Camille Keith, executive head marketing since Southwest's inception and continue to do this motivational speaking; resurrected the Miss Ruidoso/Miss America pageants here in Ruidoso after a hiatus of 13 years; produced 25 pops concerts all over the state giving opportunities for young and upcoming performers; donated my time for musicals as music director for *Grease* and *Lil Abner* for Ruidoso High School; started Ruidoso branch of Santa Fe Opera Guild; and more.

I am truly concerned about the future of Ruidoso and its image as a town and community proud of its art and artists that enrich the perception of Ruidoso to the world. My question is: How friendly and helpful are we to the arts and encouraging art oriented businesses to establish themselves here? That is the bottom line. In these tough economic times, all of us need to address this question seriously and do something about it.

Barbara Westbrook
Ruidoso

Gifted craftsman

To the editor:

LAST WINTER, while visiting family in ruidoso, I met a gifted craftsman in your community.

I live in Florida, but my roots are in New Mexico. I wanted to take something from New Mexico back to my home and luckily found Dennis McMillan. He does handcrafted furniture and other Western art. I arranged to get a custom bedroom set made which was completed even earlier than our agreement, and was done to a higher quality than I had expected. His work will be an heirloom for my family.

I bought it back to Florida with me, and now I am enjoying it everyday.

You have a lovely community of artists, and I am pleased to have found Dennis.

Carol Kingsley
Clearwater, Fla.

YOUR OPINION

Harping on taxes misses the point

To the editor:

IN A LETTER TO the editor titled "Taxes benefit us all," T.D. Macken scolded those of us who participated in the Tax Day Tea Parties, suggesting that we are mostly right wing hypocrites. I would agree with that characterization if I were as ill-informed as Mr. (or Ms.) Macken.

First, he alleges that George Bush turned Bill Clinton's $128 billion surplus into a $482 billion deficit.

This allegation is disingenuous for two reasons: First, it was not Bill Clinton's surplus. The Democrats had 40 years of power in the House and could never achieve a surplus.

The surplus that Mr. Macken so generously attributes to Bill Clinton was, in fact, due to the hard work of the Republican House led by Newt Gingrich. At a time when Mr. Gingrich was calling for a balanced budget, Bill Clinton was suggesting that that goal would take at least seven years – or after he, Clinton, was out of office.

Secondly, the time is long overdue for Clinton to take responsibility for his fecklessness in dealing with the war on terror. During Clinton's reign, American interests were attacked six times by Al Qaeda, and Clinton did nothing. In fact, his failure to do anything (but cut and run) in Somalia was given by Osama bin Laden as his inspiration for launching the 9/11 attacks on the World Trade Center. Clinton left office with nothing to show having spent eight years there except an emboldened enemy who consumed nearly every waking moment of George Bush's presidency.

Mr. Macken also attributes our current economic woes to lack of regulation during the Bush years. Our current economic woes can be traced to one source: the housing market. Since the Carter years, Democrats in Congress have maintained a constant drumbeat to get more people into home ownership, even if it was obvious that some people had no business buying a home.

For those who need to be schooled on the subject, I suggest they click on the following youtube video: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cMnSp4qEXNM&NR=1.

Most of Mr. Macken's article is comprised of a gratuitous litany of taxes that we should be anxious to pay. But he misses the point. We all know that taxes are a necessity to have the kind of country that we have enjoyed for decades.

What has many Americans concerned is the level of taxes we will be forced to pay because of the Obama administration's appalling spending. Earlier this year, Congress passed the largest spending bill in our nation's history, and not one member of Congress had the time to read it. It was called the "Stimulus Bill," but, in fact, it was every liberal's dream, containing frivolous items such as funds for tattoo removal.

But a more profound concern that the contents of the Stimulus Bill should be: Is deficit spending in a time of recession the right thing to do? If so, would someone please point to a situation where it worked? And don't cite President Roosevelt's strategy: It didn't work.

And Mr. Macken wonders why we are not happy. After all, 95 percent of us will be getting a tax cut. Really? But hasn't Mr. Obama indicated that he will let the Bush tax cuts expire? That seems like a tax *increase* to me.

I do not agree with Mr. Macken's assertion that the Tea Party protesters are hypocrites. I think we are just concerned with the welfare of our country. Mr. Macken objects to our protests because President Obama has only been in office a few weeks. But that's just our point. Imagine how much damage he might do in four years if left unfettered. Sorry, Mr. Macken, we are not going to be silenced when we think we are right.

William L. Haralson
Alto

Honorable intention

To the editor:

OBVIOUSLY, the person who wrote the article about Lynn Tanner's request for a variance on his property (Ruidoso New, April 15) has never taken the time to go inside Tanner Tradition, nor knows Lynn Tanner personally.

Tanner Tradition is a quality addition to the upscale image Ruidoso is trying to project, and Lynn and his wife, Kathy, are honest, integral, hardworking merchants and citizens of Ruidoso.

The idea of turning part of his property into an area for a limited number of upscale RV owners was not a bad one, as it had the potential to attract the kind of upscale tourists Ruidoso wants.

The portrayal of Tanner Tradition as a common curio shop with backroom tenants and Lynn Tanner's idea for trying to utilize his property for something that would give the village a reputation as a low-class tourist town is a travesty.

Lynn Tanner was presenting an idea. Since he is a local merchant, common sense would dictate that his intention was to do something to enhance Ruidoso, not detract from it. At any rate, his request certainly did not warrant as much press coverage as it was given.

Teresa Shelton
Ruidoso

Editor's note: As mentioned, Lynn Tanner was presenting an "idea" (to the Planning & Zoning Commission). It is the newspaper's duty to report on his request and on any objections that might surface in that meeting.

"The person who wrote the article" was Dianne Stallings, who is not, nor should be, in a position to pass judgment on anyone's character.

Regardless, at that meeting, Tanner withdrew his proposal.

GUEST COMMENTARY

Harnessing the forces of darkness

LANCE DISKAN
Writers on the Range

Little ol' Flagstaff, Ariz., is renowned for something as simple as protecting the night sky.

A half-century ago, people in Flagstaff began to see the light.

It was back in the 1950s, a bustling time when searchlights stabbed the sky to ballyhoo the opening of a new store. But while additional businesses were welcome in Flagstaff, local astronomers noticed a problem: Their chances to see the heavens were getting dimmer.

The Flagstaff astronomers were people well connected to the stars, who understood their intrinsic meaning for humanity. They were also concerned enough to devote a lot of energy to being part of what they called the forces of darkness, rallying locals, explaining what was at stake and lobbying elected officials.

In response, on April 15, 1958, the Flagstaff City Council passed what is believed to be the first light-pollution legislation in America, and maybe even the world. Ordinance #440 prohibited "the use of certain commercial searchlights within the city limits" with a misdemeanor fine of $300 or "imprisonment in the City Jail not to exceed 90 days."

Fast-forward 50 years, and Flagstaff's residents are concluding a year-long celebration honoring a half-century of protecting dark skies and the resulting opportunity to enjoy the beauty of this natural, scientific and poetic resource. On the southern lip of the Colorado plateau, close to a ponderosa pine forest, Flagstaff now has three local observatories. Another one is under construction nearby. Lighting and sign codes that are models for other jurisdictions now protect these observatories from light pollution.

The lighting code, adopted in 1989, establishes dark zones around local institutional telescopes and sets less-stringent limits farther away. It had to be updated in 1992 and 1999, in response to population growth and attempts by a few to evade the spirit of the law. Some people were adding lights not to enhance public safety, but to advertise a product and catch the eye of consumers. Commercial sign design is now managed by a sign code adopted in 1997 and updated in 2008, that mandates light lettering on dark backgrounds instead of the typical dark lettering on right panels found elsewhere.

Over time, the city's zoning code administrator has gained the voluntary compliance of owners because they've come to appreciate the beauty and benefit of Flagstaff's dark skies. What's more, Coconino County officials eliminated billboards – including their nighttime illumination – many years ago.

The power of night has attracted other supporters, too, including Northern Arizona University and the Flagstaff Unified School District. Relationships have been formed with agencies such as the Arizona Department of Transportation and the governor's office, and starry nights are also regarded as a cultural phenomenon, celebrated by events such as the night art exhibition at the Coconino Center for the Arts.

The Museum of Northern Arizona, Flagstaff Symphony and The Arboretum at Flagstaff have also gotten into the act with events that celebrate crystal-clear nights.

It's odd, if you think about it, for a small city (population 58,000) to win renown for celebrating something as simple as the night sky.

But if you've ever seen the now-famous image of the planet Earth at night, you see immediately that the American West contains some of the best remaining areas of darkness in the continental United States. Elsewhere, the norm has become brightly lighted areas that blot out the night sky.

Dark-sky activists have begun turning up throughout the country, and they have formed networks for individual citizens as well as municipalities to learn from one another about how to preserve the night-sky visibility where they live. New Mexico, for example, has designated its night sky as one of the state's most-endangered ecosystems.

The rapidly growing acceptance of dark-sky preservation as a civic responsibility reflects two factors. One is a widespread realization in the West that economic and environmental benefits flow from "mere" stargazing at our dark night skies.

There's also a growing realization that public education is key to building the knowledge base necessary to implement positive dark-sky policies. Increasingly, towns, cities, states, parks and even the national government are recognizing their responsibility in the larger problem of the erosion of darkness, as well as their obligation to save unspoiled night sky as a public amenity.

The change from the 1950s has been amazing. From one small mountain town, a tiny group has grown into an expanding regional, national and international movement. Now there's an established and respected tradition to save the wonders of the heavens as an inheritance for future generations.

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Trial by fire for local businesswoman

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ALTO-When Marsha Nickerson opened her new outdoor restaurant in Alto, little did she know she would be jumping from the frying pan into the fire.

Literally.

Last week, the longtime resident of Lincoln County opened her restaurant called the Paso Monte Grill in a small trailer located on her property on the corner of Paso Monte and Paso Monte (yes, the intersection with two streets named the same!). On Thursday, she completed her second day of real business at 2 p.m., and then headed home to watch television. A little while later, she received a phone call saying that a fire had broken out just across the street from her property and new business.

Nickerson rushed back to the Paso Monte Grill, and watched the fire spread on the hills just across from her property. The fire would burn more than 75-acres of land, some of which is located on the upscale Rainmakers Development adjacent to the Spencer Theater.

The conflagration was hot and smokey, and Nickerson knew area firefighters were going to have to work extra fast and hard to contain the blaze before it spread across Rainmakers and threatened the Spencer.

She watched as area firefighters began to stage for action near her location, and that's when Nickerson turned from restaurant owner into philanthropist.

"Those firefighters were so hot and were working so hard that I just had to do something," Nickerson said. "I had a bunch of extra hamburger on hand, so I started cooking burgers for the firefighters and giving them water.

"They were so young, and yet they were so grateful for the free food and water, that it really made me proud to watch them and help them."

And help them, she did.

Over a two-day period, Nickerson fed more than 45 firefighters and plied them with water and soda pop, which was anonymously donated by one of her neighbors.

Local firefighters and fire teams from as far away as Zuni stopped by Paso Monte, and were treated to free food and beverages courtesy of the new business woman.

"It was the right thing to do," Nickerson said. "I've been evacuated from my home twice before by these courageous men, and I appreciate what they do. They saved the Rainmakers property from extensive damage and saved the Spencer. It's the least I could do."

Mike O'Brien, who is one of the owners of Rainmakers, had high praise for Nickerson.

"What she did was a selfless act of kindness," O'Brien said. "I know the firefighters were grateful, and kindness like that is what makes this such a great place to live."

Nickerson has wanted to own her own business for a longtime. She had been employed as a cook at the Spencer Theater, but was laid off in January. That's when she decided to open Paso Monte Grill.

TERRY FITZWATER/RUIDOSO NEWS

Marsha Nickerson greets customers John Underwood (left) and Mike O'Brien at Paso Monte Grill. Nickerson fed 45 firefighters during the Rancho fire last week.

"I've wanted my own business for a while, and I've always loved to cook," Nickerson said. "Plus, to have the freedom to be my own boss and not have any employees, well, that's kind of liberating."

Nickerson is open until 2 p.m. Monday through Friday, and serves breakfast and lunch. She cooks a mean green chile cheeseburger, and uses many fresh vegetables and other ingredients at her place. She even cooks sweet potato French fries.

Nickerson said she has a vegetarian menu, and will do take out orders for customers.

"I just want to say thank-you! Thank-you! Thank-you!" Nickerson said. "I hope all firefighters and the general public stop by to see what we're doing!"

Paso Monte Grill is located at 239 Paso Monte Road. The phone number is 937-5839.

Franchising offers a solution to career question: 'What next?'

RUIDOSO- (Grass-roots Newswire) - With baby boomers getting set to retire, and with unemployment at levels unseen in decades, many are looking to the next season in their lives.

One option with growing interest is taking more control of one,s future through small business ownership, specifically with franchising. And there's no better time to look at being your own boss than during National Small Business Week, May 17-23.

But why franchising?

David Locke, a PostalAnnex+ franchisee in Ruidoso, said franchising offered a great safety net in starting a new business.

"The nice thing about a franchise is that you get to start a business for yourself, but not by yourself," said Locke. "I knew I had the skills to try my hand at owning a business, but I didn't want to learn from scratch. Franchising offered me the great opportunity of ownership without having to do it all on my own."

According to an economic impact report published by the International Franchise Association (IFA), more than 900,000 franchised establishments in the U.S have created 11 million jobs and generated over $880 billion in economic output. And, when you add in jobs that support franchising, such as durable goods manufacturing, financing and construction, another 21 million jobs and $2.3 trillion have been created.

Therefore, more than one out of every seven private sector jobs in America is a direct result of franchised businesses.

Locke investigated several franchising concepts before deciding on a PostalAnnex+ franchise, a local packing and shipping business. "I knew I didn't want to go home smelling like grease and have to manage a large staff, so this franchise was perfect for my personality."

Steve Goble, vice president of marketing communications for Annex Brands, Inc., the franchisor of PostalAnnex+, said Locke found a great fit for the personality and skills of the owner.

"David really enjoys coming to work each day and cheers up everyone who visits the local store," commented Goble. "Franchisees have the benefit of a support system to complement the owner's strengths and compensate for any weaknesses. Plus, they have resources they might not be able to afford if they were an independent owner."

Andrew Hack, a Handle With Care Packaging Store franchisee for over 20 years in Troy, Mich. says the support is what he enjoys from being a franchisee. "Owners of Handle With Care Packaging Stores come from all walks of life. I have to say the support is the best thing that this franchise has given us. They're always there for you, always there to lend a hand, always willing to work with you," Hack said.

Hack added that having access to his brand's other franchisees through an intranet system has allowed sharing of ideas and experiences he finds beneficial to his business. Goble offers the following advice in regards to franchising.

Why choose franchising over starting an independent location? Franchising offers prospects several advantages:

- A franchise model is a tested model; it can save you from an expensive learning curve.
- A franchisor offers support in many areas of your business which you may not be able to master without larger support, including creating helpful operational and marketing programs.
- A franchised system creates economies of scale with other franchisees, often leading to better discounts with suppliers.
- A franchise may offer instant brand recognition in a market, bringing in customers more quickly than if you have to educate them in what you do.
- Lenders may afford franchises more favorable terms due to a better-known path of experience.
- A franchise offers a peer network where you can share ideas and opportunities, and ask questions relating to your business as well.
- Franchises may set forth a more defined level of investment required to start a business.

There also are some structured aspects of franchising that don,t always appeal to independently-minded business people:

- Franchisees agree to adhere to defined rules and standards as part of the relationship.
- Franchisees might be limited in the products and services they can offer to the public.
- Fees, such as royalties and marketing fees, must be paid to the franchisor for their support and programs.

While a franchise is an investment, it's a career as well, Goble said. He recommends that a prospect interview the franchisor similar to a job interview, and talk to current franchisees as well. "Ask what kind of support is offered, what degree of flexibility is allowed," Goble said.

"Get a list from the franchisor of people in their system similar to your background and compare notes."

Goble also said franchisees benefit from the assistance of the International Franchise Association (IFA), the industry's largest trade association.

"The IFA has been very visible in front of Congress, promoting franchising as an integral part of the American economic recovery," Goble commented.

"Imagine having an advocate before your U.S. senator or congressman, promoting your business at no additional cost to you...all because you belong to a franchise system in which your franchisor is footing the bill. There aren't many associations like that looking out for you as an independent."

Certainly franchising is an attractive option for many right now, from the retiring seeking a second career to those who seek more control over their future after a layoff. For more information on franchising and small business ownership, consult the IFA's Web site at www.franchise.org .

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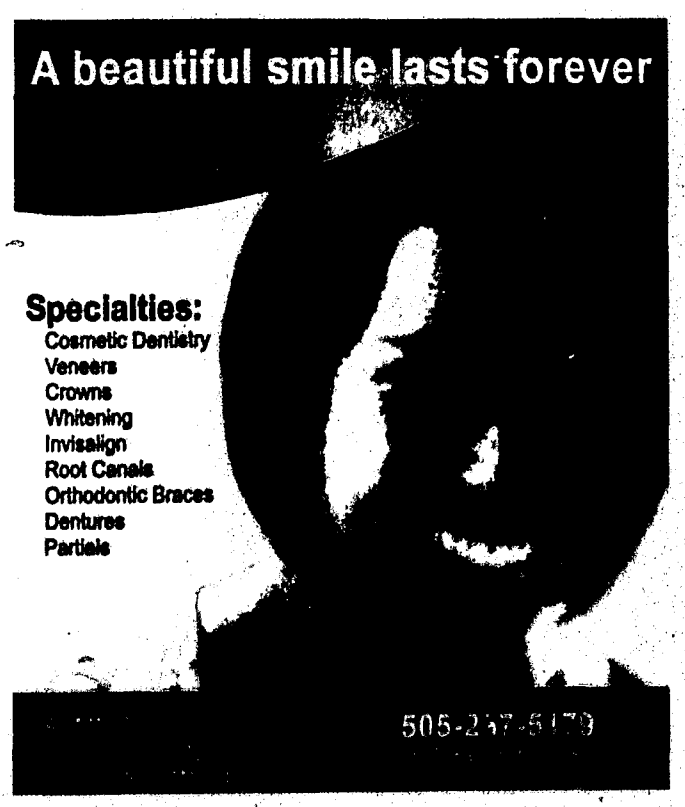

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Vegetable gardens to be exempt if limits imposed

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Vegetable gardens will be exempt from watering restrictions in Ruidoso, if conservation limits are imposed over the summer.

Village councilors last week followed the recommendation of their staff and approved exempting vegetable garden and fruit trees from Phase 4 and Phase 5 restrictions. Those are the only two phases that banned all outdoor watering with sprinkler systems and garden hoses.

Planning Director Bob Decker pointed out the importance of allowing people to grow their own food and that it overrode the need to conserve water during drought conditions.

He called the impact minimal. During previous years when severe conditions existed and no watering was permitted, some people kept their bath water and used it on their gardens.

Councilors said they'd heard from several residents who planned to grow vegetables as a money saving measure during tight economic times.

Demaris Fisher, owner of Seasons Nursery and Gifts on Sudderth Drive in Ruidoso, said she's seen an increase in customers looking for herb plants, vegetable garden seeds and plants and fruit trees.

"I think they are trying to grow their own stuff, as a hedge, although I don't really quiz them on why they are buying," she said.

Ted Conley, owner of Conley's Nursery and Landscaping, east of Ruidoso Downs on U.S. 70, said many of his customers are more concerned about ensuring their food isn't sprayed with chemicals.

"We sell an enormous amount of fruit trees, herbs and vegetable plants," he said. "I grow thousands of tomato plants for folks. I think they want to grow them to know what's been sprayed on them and to stay organic. I think that's more prevalent. It's a way to get fruit with some control. We've experienced a steady increase in all three categories in the last seven to eight years."

Downs, village dispute timeliness of utility payments

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Seeing a notation that the City of Ruidoso Downs was $152,000 behind in utility payments, Ruidoso Councilor Greg Cory last week asked why city officials refused to pay for sewer and wastewater treatment service.

"Are they paying for anything not disputed or holding back on all (of the billing)?" he asked. "I didn't know it had gotten so bad. I'd like to know if they are in arrears more than 30 days."

Ruidoso Downs Clerk Carol Virden said Thursday while there are some bills they claim should not be charged to the city by the village, invoices for several months of sewer wastewater service arrived in one mailing in April.

"On the radio April 30, someone made the statement that the City of Ruidoso Downs had been holding billings for half a year," she said. "That's incorrect. We received the billing from October through March on April 10th."

The city finance director tried to secure council approval for a check covering bills at the April 13 meeting, but the agenda already was closed, Virden said.

"We weren't six months behind," she said. "We can't pay, if we don't get (bills) in a timely fashion."

City officials disputed two bills they believe were inappropriately charged to Ruidoso Downs, she said.

"They had nothing to do with the city. One covered (H. John Underwood's) lobbying for the village as its advisor on the JUB and the other was for Molzen-Corbin doing work at the airport, and that's not ours."

At the village council meeting last week, Cory said he didn't understand while the full amount was being withheld for "relatively minor issues" that amounted "to a drop in the bucket" of overall billing.

He said he heard that city councilors had agreed to pay for everything but October and January bills.

The village owns and operates the wastewater treatment plant, but the city is a partner and has equal representation on the Joint Use Board.

"They sit as an equal partner, but we carry the load on this," Cory said.

Councilor Ron Hardeman said it doesn't sit well when the village's citizens suffer consequences, such as service cutoff, for being delinquent on payments.

Mayor L Ray Nunley gave the staff until May 1 to resolve the issue or to schedule a meeting with Downs officials. Virden said Thursday, she had not been contacted about either option. The Ruidoso Downs Council's next meeting is Monday.

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Lee: "I'm inclined to accept."

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However, Portales is celebrating its centennial in mid-June and she also is preparing the municipal budget.

"If all things (in the contract) are in line with what has been discussed, I am inclined to accept," she said. "I spent considerable time talking to the mayor, staff and councilors while I was there. I liked them a lot. I also talked to my council. They are a wonderful group. I am very loyal to them. It's difficult, but after I talk to Bill (Morris, interim village manager) and if everything is as discussed, there will be no hesitation. It's a beautiful place. We had a little sticker shock on the housing costs. My husband, Sam, is a physical education teacher and track coach in Portales."

Two other candidates for the job left vacant after the resignation of Dan O. Higgins in February were Edward Gil de Rubio from Santa Fe, who listed six years' experience as Sullivan County manager in New Hampshire and municipal manager experience in towns in Maine and Vermont, as well as a master's degree in public administration; and Aretha R. Ferrel from Washington, D.C., with background in neighborhood action and community improvement, as assistant county administrator in Los Alamos and assistant to the city manager in Sunnyvale, Calif.

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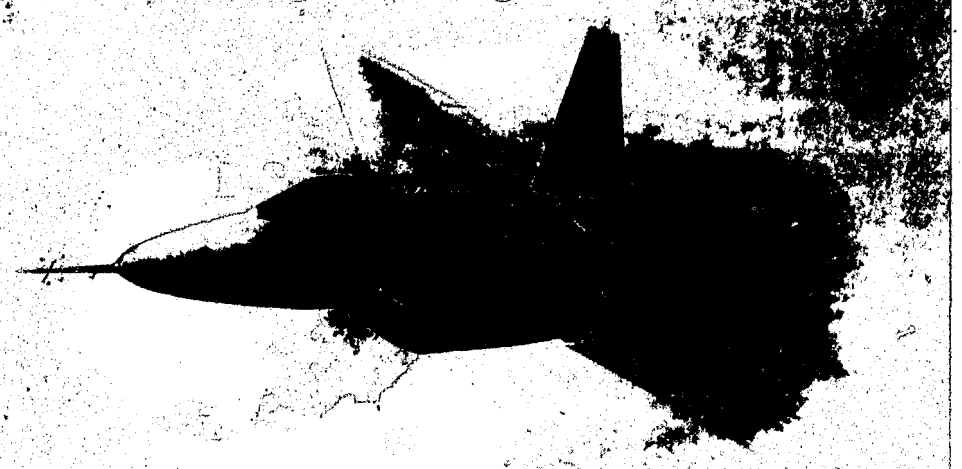

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has nightmares about it, the blood. I stood at his feet. My first response was to save his life. I put this gentleman before my son."

She agonized as time passed and police and ambulances didn't come, despite calls to the authorities for help. "We remained nearby waiting for assistance," she said.

"We don't have an adequate time response for police and ambulances on the reservation," she said. "He had a hole in his head. I called the police five times, told them to hurry, get someone here now. I knew he needed to be airlifted immediately."

Reports that Pesewonit was sexually assaulted, undressed or lashed to a fence are not true, she insisted.

His clothing was disturbed, because he was dragged a distance from where he was hit to another location, she said. He had his boots on and laced, she said.

"I was there. I saw the scene," Kinzhuma said. "It hurts. I don't want to step on anyone's toes, but this is stepping on my heart to read untrue accusations." She said she prayed harder than ever in her life with all of her faith from Jan. 2 to Jan. 8, 2008, in the hope Pesewonit would recover, but he did not.

Meanwhile, Arviso's grandmother insisted he turn himself into law enforcement officials, who were searching for him.

Despite the family's cooperation, she believes her daughter Jody's Dodge Durango, a graduation gift, was burned Jan. 8 in retaliation, adding to the family's problems. "The police didn't care to do anything about that," she said. "I walk in public and I'm treated rudely. Everyone always is the first to throw a stone and never stop to think about what it is like until they are the ones getting the stone thrown at them."

Kinzhuma: "The pattern of violence is there. My son was just a part of the evil. I fought and fought for my boy emotionally and mentally."

Her son fell prey to the culture of violence, but she never gave up on him as he struggled with alcohol and drugs, she said. "We don't have enough police or a jail or holding facility. There is no authority or severe consequences or follow through with paroles or probation," she said of the tribal court system. "The pattern of violence is there, young children and alcohol, beatings and rapes, drive-by shootings and gang-style fighting. They're a problem. My son was just a part of the evil out there. I fought and fought for my boy emotionally and mentally. He was in trouble before. He's my battle. He's not an angel. He's human, just like you and me."

Kinzhuma said she went through the courts to order her son, who she calls Buster, to obtain his GED at age 17. He complied, but he struggled as do many children in the Carrizo area, when they don't have a job or constructive activities, she said.

"It just hurts me to read about him," she said. "We're not perfect. We're human and have our faults. It's not fair to my girls or my family to have to open a newspaper and read about Joe, when we've tried not to hurt anyone's feelings."

The reservation subdivision lacks a playground, skateboard facilities, pedestrian pathways or sports fields, much less a jail or holding facility, she said.

"I've tried to voice my concerns over the years and now look where we're at," Kinzhuma said. "Some people don't have the resources, vehicles to go to a Boys and Girls Club to give our children something to do. This kind of tragedy will be repeated until something is done.

"I don't want to see another mother hurt like this. I can't lay blame on our tribal administration. The reservation is federally funded. As time progresses, that funding is inadequate, disappearing, which to me has its part in this evil environment. It seems like treaties are not being kept. I told the police before that I was losing my sons to the streets. Someone has to break the cycle. It's not a justification of my son's actions, but it is a way of life for us. I don't want to see another family, another mother deal with the pain we've all had to endure."

She would like to see a police and rescue substation established in the Peña housing area and a jail on the reservation, she said.

When Arviso was at home, "Joe could put this girl in check with his eyes," she said of daughter Jozie. "He was the peace keeper."

She's feels guilt because, "it is like he was torn away from his childhood," staying with the girls while she worked two jobs.

Now sitting in jail waiting for sentencing, her son wrote a testimony to the Ruidoso students in Jozie's class. He's asked me for forgiveness. He knows what happened was wrong.

"His words to me were, 'Mom, if I can just reach one kid and turn his life around, so he doesn't walk in my steps, it will be worth it. It was heart jerking."

The situation is scary, because she didn't have money to hire an attorney or find someone to instruct the family on possible pleas.

"We went with our hearts," she said. "I'm putting my son in the Lord's hands. But when I lie there at 3 a.m. and think of him and all this, my boy and the Pesewonit family. It's knocked me off the Earth."

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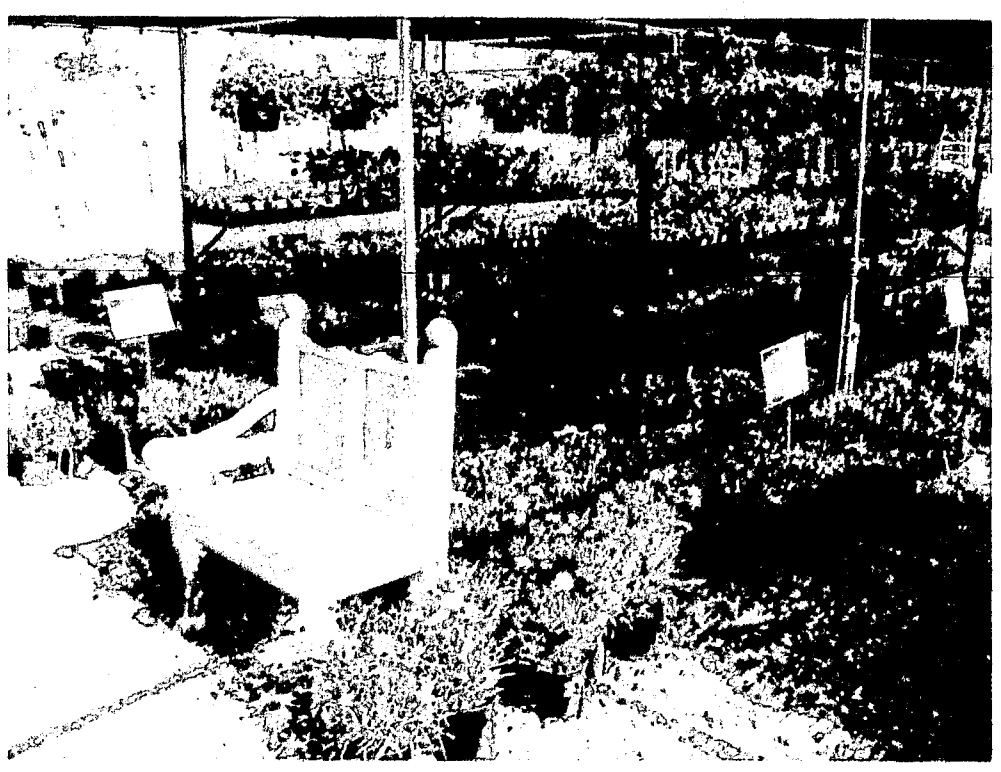

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Service brings alternatives to seniors

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A group of senior citizens in Lincoln County, whose idea of aging doesn't mean giving up their independence, are seeing some results from their effort to provide a local option.

Under the guiding hand of Sydney Calhoun, a retired elementary school teacher, they are moving toward the goal of creating a village not defined by geographic lines, but by the boundaries of human compassion and the drive to live independently at home.

The concept for Sacramento Mountain Village was inspired by Beacon Hill Village in Boston, Mass., a community where people who resisted moving to assisted living or retirement homes, came together to create an alternative that allowed them to stay in their houses and subscribe to a service by paying an annual fee.

Calhoun said the local alliance obtained non-profit status and received a second grant for $13,000 from Bienvendios Building Bridges Initiative through Help New Mexico.

An advisory board was formed and among those serving are Deborah Elrod, who developed a power point presentation; Betsy Seiler, who writes grants and help found a local food bank; and Pat Shukis Fraser, who Calhoun called "one of those million-dollar people," who can do just about anything.

A retired attorney, she has experience in marketing, is a computer expert and her husband was in publishing.

"We grew from five members last year to 23 this year," Calhoun said. "We pushed the idea not that people need help, but that people are helping each other and we got strong people wanting to be involved.

"We visit shut-ins once or twice a week. We bring tea and scones and a game. One woman we go to regularly said she knew we were busy and she should tell us not to come, but she wasn't going to do it."

Joining SMV means a member automatically is a volunteer, Calhoun said. Pat Huckins, a sculptor, signed up as a member and now teaches a drawing class free to other members and for a small fee to non-members.

Member Ginger Gibson teaches a yoga class. Calhoun does "tea and a DVD" every Thursday with a lecture about geology.

A game night was organized by new member Mim English and volunteer Marilyn Miller for 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., June 13, at the United Methodist Church. Monopoly is a favorite.

"The churches are so good to us," Calhoun said.

The nonprofit group also manned a booth at the May 2, Walk in the Woods event and is helping to promote a Senior Symposium May 29, at Eastern New Mexico University, where speakers in different rooms will tackle relevant subjects from laughter therapy to Social Security and Medicare. The event is sponsored by the Senior Care Coalition of the Methodist Church and ENMU.

Calhoun said with the organization coming of age, a part-time executive director is needed. "I'm serving as executive director and also chairman of the board and that's a conflict of interest," Calhoun said.

Members will devote some time to fund raising to pay the part-time salary and to cover insurance for next year at about $2,500. Up until now, that cost was picked up under a grant agreement.

"We can't exist without insurance," she said. One member and one volunteer have licenses that allow them to drive buses and they can take the wheel of a 12-passenger van for field trips to the Iris gardens, followed by a meal at the Laughing Sheep Restaurant in Lincoln , and another to Carlsbad next Christmas to see the river of lights.

"The organization will pay for the transportation, but the people going must pay for their own food or entrance fees," she said. "If there is room left, others could ride, but would have to pay their portion."

As for rides shopping or to doctor's office, members have given some, but Lincoln County Transit is filling that need, she said. They will help with shopping, however.

COURTESY SYDNEY CALHOUN

Ginger Gibson relaxes before beginning her yoga class for members of the Sacramento Mountain Village organization active for older adults in the area around Ruidoso.

Three volunteers also are handyman and have been "wonderful" additions to the services the organization can provide to members, she said.

As in the Beacon Hill model, members are offered social and cultural activities, exercise opportunities, household and maintenance services and assisted living at home.

Calhoun is convinced the approach is a good fit for Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs, where the population tends to be stacked with self-reliant, independent people, who don't want to be forced to leave their treasured mountain village.

Sal Lopez, a new board member, wrote letters to families of members, telling them about SMV, Calhoun said. "He told them what we are doing and if they cant reach their family member to call us ad we can check on them or will already have seen them," Calhoun said. The hope is that those other family members will feel comfortable not forcing the parents or older relatives into retirement places.

Calhoun said in her quest to establish the cooperative village, she experienced personal growth as she stretched herself to step up and stop waiting for someone else to push the concept, as she spoke to people, was interviewed and learned to write grant applications.

To apply for membership, fill out an application and mail it to Sacramento Mountain Village, P.O. Box 1533, Ruidoso, NM 88345. People from 50 to 90-plus are welcomed.

The group meets at 9 a.m., the fourth Saturday of each month for breakfast at Cree Meadows Country Club. Check the Web site at sacmtnvillage.org.

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Charity and uncompensated care figures are cited at the cost of care.

"Now more than ever, we know that families in Lincoln County are feeling the extra burden during this stressful economic time and that they have new concerns, including paying for healthcare services," said Jim Gibson, LCMC Administrator.

"As a not-for-profit healthcare system, providing care to patients who can't afford it is at the core of our service to Lincoln County."

LCMC is managed by Presbyterian Healthcare Services, New Mexico's only private, not-for-profit healthcare system.

In 2008, Presbyterian provided nearly $24 million in free medical care and an additional $51 million in uncompensated care.

"I think Presbyterian's commitment to Lincoln County and New Mexico is supported by the amounts and level of care provided for those who can't afford it or when reimbursement is typically lower than the cost of the services," said Gibson.

"I'm honored to be part of a system that has supported this foundation for more than a century."

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LCMC commits significant time and resources to critical services that meet unfilled community needs.

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Contract awarded for wastewater plant reconstruction

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Years of work, debate, disappointment and successes culminated Wednesday with the award of a contract covering the main reconstruction of the regional wastewater treatment plant that serves the village of Ruidoso, the city of Ruidoso Downs and portions of the Mescalero Apache Reservation.

But as Interim Village Manager Bill Morris looked out at the audience watching the momentous moment, he realized the event didn't draw many people other than staff, consultants, members of the Joint Use Board that governs the plant and the media.

The first action was to adopt a fourth amendment to the JUB's contract with the Molzen-Corbin engineering and consulting firm in Albuquerque to handle the study, design and construction phase services, which will include ensuring compliance with federal rules on stimulus money.

The second action approved the award of a $20.2 million contract for Phase 1B of the plant to RMCI Inc. of Albuquerque.

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Michelle Salas of Molzen-Corbin, right, confirmed background checks on contractor.

Michelle Salas of Molzen-Corbin said a background check involved calling the firm's previous clients, who reported jobs were finished on time and within budget.

The total cost, including gross receipts taxes, contingencies, basic design and additional services, came in at $25,155,000. Of that amount, Ruidoso is responsible for $21,155,000 and Ruidoso Downs, $4 million.

Ruidoso is paying its portion of the debt through a combination of $8.855 in loans, $4.3 million in grants and $8 million in general obligation bonds.

Because some of the money comes from the federal stimulus package, federal wage rates must be paid on the job, Salas told members of the JUB. "The real stickler is the Buy American provision," she said. "It comes down to, does it have to be entirely made here? No. But it must be assembled here from parts around the world. Contractor certification is needed for every part, each submittal. The Environmental Protection Agency will audit you." Fines will be levied for noncompliance, she said.

The contractor has agreed to comply, she said. If possible, they want to avoid having to seek a waiver, she said.

Ruidoso Mayor L. Ray Nunley, a JUB member, said when he was in Washington, D.C., he was assured by federal officials that items purchased in advance at a price savings for the treatment plant would be approved.

"The Buy American was not in effect when we bid (some items)," JUB member and Lincoln County Commissioner Dave Parks pointed out.

Salas said originally in the Phase 1B bid document, a requirement for American-made was included, but federal officials couldn't answer some of the basic questions posed and the provision was removed. "We couldn't leave it in there," she said.

"So conceivably there could be some adjustments in the price?" Parks asked.

Morris said the provision is one of the thornier issues to pop up this late in the process. "I'd like to have someone well versed in dealing with them," he said in support of the amendment to the Molzen-Corbin contract.

The plant's rehabilitation to reduce the discharge of nitrates and phosphorous into the Rio Ruidoso was mandated by state and federal environmental agencies, and by the court settlement of a lawsuit brought by WildEarth Guardians.

The total price tag could go as high as $40 million, depending on the improvement to the river's water quality and whether more capacity is required in the future. Ruidoso Downs residents pay a higher property tax to cover the city's general obligation bonds and residential customers of the Ruidoso utility operation are charged an additional $32 a month for the village's bond debt.

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Rescuers hone craft

FROM REPORTS

The skies and forests around Ruidoso filled with searchers last weekend, as more than 200 New Mexico search and rescue volunteers honed their skills to deal with wilderness emergencies.

The New Mexico Search and Rescue Council's Annual ESCAPE event featured a simulated plane crash, a National Guard climbing wall, helicopter evacuations, SAR horse training, night-tracking classes, individualized and course sessions for K-9 searchers, technical sessions, cave rescue at Fort Stanton cave, and other intensive training in all aspects of effective search and rescue.

Conducted at the Ruidoso Convention Center, the event featured training for ground, technical, mounted, medical, K-9, communications and management SAR personnel, as well as a trade show, a climbing wall, helicopter evacuation, night footprint-tracking classes, and other intensive aspects of search and rescue.

Internationally-renowned expert David Scott-Donelan, founder of Tactical Operation School and author of *Tactical Tracking Operations,* shared the latest man-tracking technology, used in Afghanistan and Iraq, to New Mexico volunteer teams.

The council's highest honor, the Ralph Dawdy Memorial Award, was presented to Paul and Linda McClendon of Santa Fe. Managing SAR missions for many years, the McClendons have individually contributed a tremendous amount to the SAR community statewide and locally, working as a team.

Newly elected NM SAR Council board members include Tom Bemis of Carlsbad, Joe Bigley of Chromo, Colo., John Gallegos of Las Cruces, and Gerry Runte of Santa Fe.

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The Holloman Air Force Base Color Guard, above, presented the colors Thursday morning at the Lincoln County Prayer Breakfast at the Ruidoso Convent on Center. More than 1,200 tickets were sold to this annual event. At right, Mike Flynt, keynote speaker at the Prayer Breakfast, signs copies of his book, *The Sermon to Swing the Breakfast*. All 80 copies of the book Flynt could bring on the plane sold, and others waiting books were directed to the Web site www.mikeflynt.com to purchase copies.

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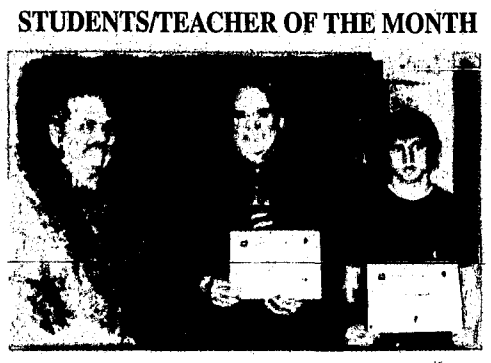
Ruidoso Noon Lions: *40 Years of Service*

The Ruidoso Noon Lions Club is a service organization that was started in 1969. The Club serves Ruidoso and other communities in Lincoln County as well as the Mescalero Apache Reservation. The Noon Lions are part of Lions Clubs International, the largest service organization in the world, which has over 1.4 million Lion members in 200+ countries and geographic areas who answer the needs that challenge the communities of the world. Lions tackle tough problems such as blindness prevention, drug abuse prevention, and diabetes awareness. The Club's two annual fundraisers are the Crafts, Guns, & Collectibles Show which occurs Memorial Day weekend and the Antiques & Collectibles Show on the weekend before Labor Day.

The Ruidoso Noon Lions primary service projects are funding eye exams and glasses for folks who cannot afford them and Operation KidSight, which screens young children's eyes for amblogenic conditions. The Club provides annual funding support to the following: Leader Dog Program, Lincoln County Food Bank, Lincoln County Meals on Wheels Program, Lincoln County Head Start, Nob Hill School Eye Power Club, Santa's Helpers, Christian Services, Run For The Beach, Lincoln County Humane Society, Lincoln County Community Theater, The Warehouse, Mescalero Children's Summer Camp, annual scholarships for Ruidoso High School seniors, recognizing outstanding high school students and teachers each month, Stranger Danger Program, Adopt-A-High Way Program, Handicapped Skiers, and Peace Poster Contest.

If you would be interested in joining the Ruidoso Noon Lions Club, please contact Mike Schattner, 257-440, or Bryson McCool, 257-0363. The only qualification for joining is a sincere desire to make Lincoln County and Mescalero a better place for everyone. The Club's website is www.ruidoso noonlions.org.

STUDENTS/TEACHER OF THE MONTH



Lion Boss Mike Schattner presents Certificates of Recognition to Dec. 2008 Teacher and Student pf the Month. (L-R), Joe Avalos and Zach Dawson.

PEACE POSTER

Lion Doug Fuqua and Gary Henry help show Sky Pancho's (Mescalero) winning poster for the Peace Poster Contest.

LC HUMANE SOCIETY

Lion Chuck Maly presents a check for $500 to (L-R) Kai Brown, Bob Sterchi & Cindy Lynch for the LC Humane Society

SANTA'S HELPERS

L-R: Lions Larry Woods, Bryson McCool, Bill Allen and Bill Wooley filling children's backpacks.

THE WAREHOUSE

Lions chuck MAly and Valari Chavez present a check to Kathy thurman of The Warehouse as Lion Doug Fuqua looks on.

OPERATION KIDSIGHT

Lion Jim Ballard operates the computer as Lion Bill Allen holds the child's head during the eye screening.

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Lion Boss Mike Schattner presents a check for the 2nd half of a 2008-09 $1000 scholarship to Claudia Nava as her Dad looks on.

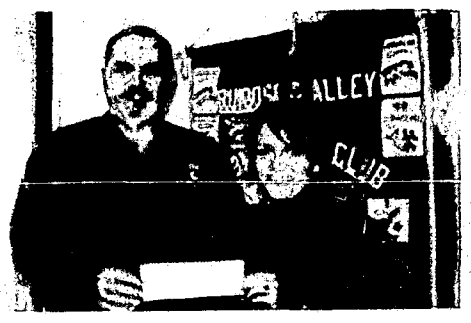
DISABLED SKIERS PROGRAM

On 18 October 2008, the club supported the Ski-Run Road Challenge by giving participants water.

LINCOLN COUNTY FOOD BANK

Lions Stacie Kimberley and Jim Burrow oresent a check for $500 to Tommy Hood of the Lincoln County Food Bank.

LC HEADSTART



Lion Boss Mike Schattner presents a check for $1000 to LC Head Start Direwctor Melina Romero to buy warm clothes and shoes for kids who cannot afford them.

RUN FOR THE BEACH

Lion Boss Mike Schattner (L) presents Lion Becky Watson (R), Director of the Run for the Beach Chapter, a check for $250.

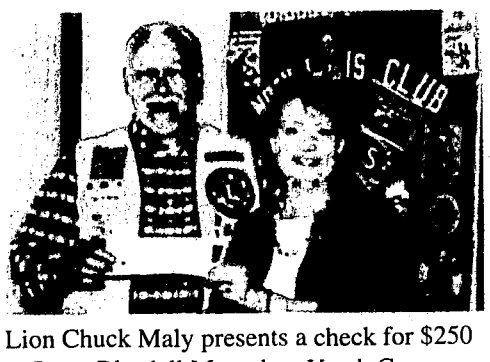
CHRISTIAN SERVICES

Lion Gary Henry presents the Club's donation for $1000 to Mr. Arthur Hoops of the Christian Services of Lincoln County.

STRANGER DANGER PROGRAM

Lion Dennis Haskell (L) & Gary Henry (R) transfer a child's fingerprints to a card that is given to the parents for their records.

MESCALERO YOUTH CAMP

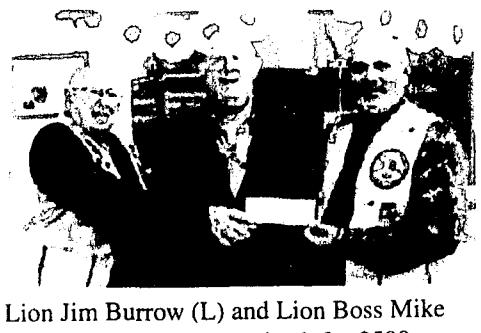


Lion Chuck Maly presents a check for $250 to Patsy Blasdell Mescalero Youth Camp.

NOB HILL EYE POWER CLUB

The club donated $100 to the Nob Hill School to support their Eye Power Club.

MEALS ON WHEELS



Lion Jim Burrow (L) and Lion Boss Mike Schattner (R) present a check for $500 to Tommy Hood, Director of the Lincoln County Meals on Wheels Program.

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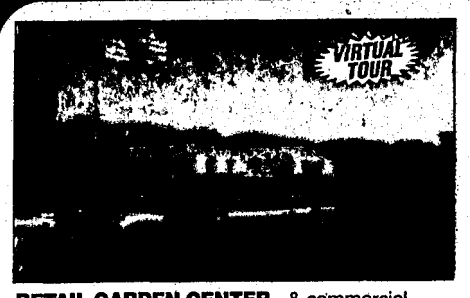

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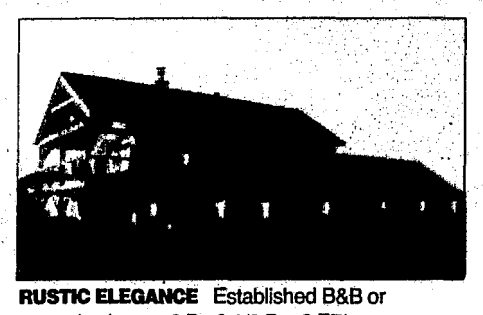
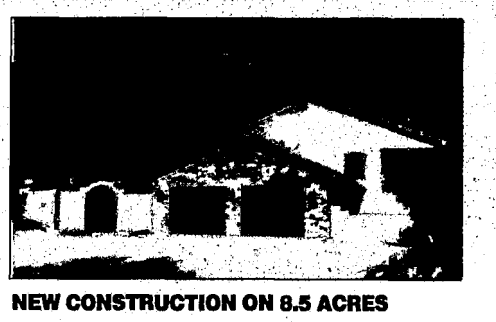


RUSTIC ELEGANCE Established B&B or executive home. 6 Br, 6 1/2 Ba, 6 FP's. Reminiscent of the Grand Lodges in the 1900's. Overlooks Sierra Blanca, Capitans & Carrizozo Mts. $979,900. #103655



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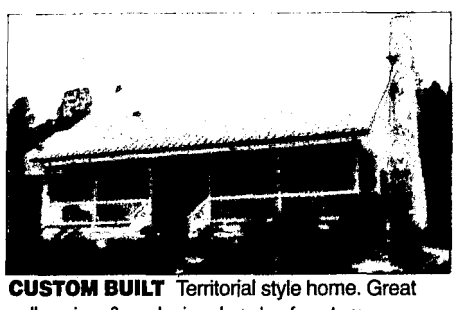
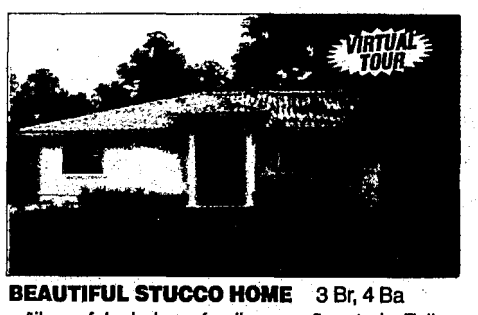


CUSTOM BUILT Territorial style home. Great valley view & seclusion. Loads of custom cherry cabinets & butler's pantry. Large 25x50 insulated shop & bonus room are a plus. $499,900. #104538

BEAUTIFUL CUSTOM HOME 2.15 acres in White Mt Estates surrounded by tall pines. Vaulted beamed ceilings, granite counter tops, tile floors. Lifts in Br & Ba. Level access, remote control doors & lifts. $475,000. #104359

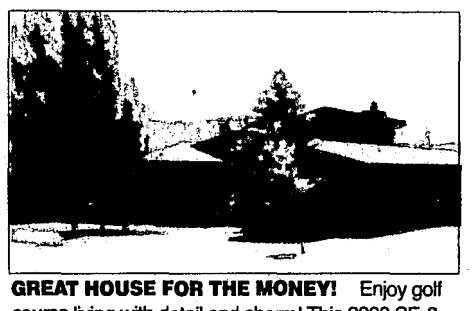


BEAUTIFUL STUCCO HOME 3 Br, 4 Ba w/tile roof. Includes a family room & a study. Full golf membership. Furniture can be purchased from seller. $460,000. #102593

RELAX & HAVE FUN W/FAMILY & FRIENDS Wonderful decks to the very nice well kept Alto full golf home. A cozy bonus room w/wet bar & wood burning stove. Non-golf lot next door also available. $339,000. #102769

ONE OF A KIND UPSCALE CABIN Beautifully decorated & furnished. In a park like setting surrounded by huge pines. Level entrance at back of cabin. A total showplace, hand textured walls, etc. $285,000. #103487

BEAUTIFUL HOME In great area, wood floors & tile, FP. Covered decks & uncovered, 3 Br, 2 Ba + separate living qts, dbl car garage & covered carport. All 1 level. Beautiful Sierra Blanca views. $275,000. #104258



GREAT HOUSE FOR THE MONEY! Enjoy golf course living with detail and charm! This 2200 SF, 3 bd, 2.5 bath home has wood accents & contemporary style. Enjoy the fairway views, landscaped & fenced yards, sunroom, & decks. $274,900. #103228

VERY NICE CONDO On the golf course in Alto. New carpet, tile, paint & appliances. Full Golf membership to this 3 Br, 2 Ba condo. One level, dbl attached garage. $270,000. #102911

BEAUTIFUL 4 YR OLD HOME Log sided & wood interior throughout. Neat floor plan. Southern views for reasonable utility costs. 1 Level, dbl garage, top notch subdivision, all city utilities. $269,900. #102590

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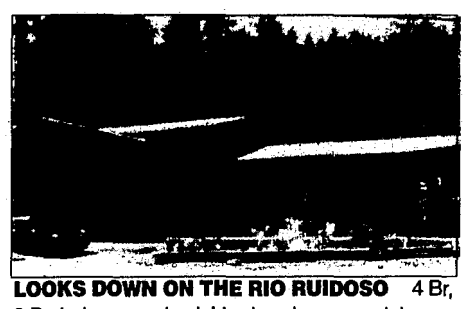
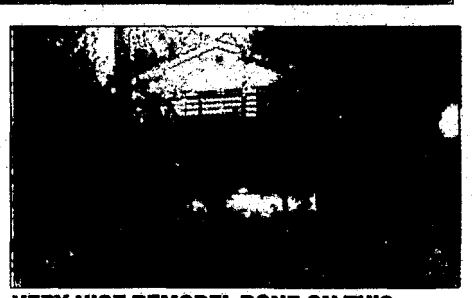


LOOKS DOWN ON THE RIO RUIDOSO 4 Br, 3 Ba lodge zoned neighborhood commercial. Awesome B&B potential. Owner/Broker. $259,500. #103368

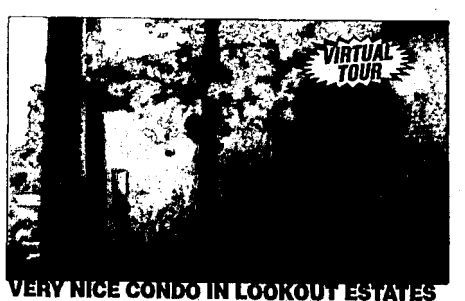
WONDERFUL BIG A-FRAME IN THE MIDDLE OF TOWN Beautifully appointed w/many upgrades/updates. Fully furnished. Super cozy & comfortable. Flagstone patio, picnic tables, decks. Must see thisone! $259,000. #104672

STUCCO WITH LEVEL ACCESS 3 Br, 2 Ba + den or game room. Huge storage, huge pantry & kitchen, big master, mster bath w/separate tub & shower, all on 1 level. The best access to this level paved home. Really nice! $255,000. #103758

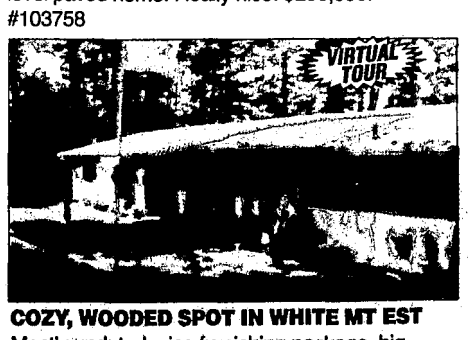


VERY NICE REMODEL DONE ON THIS PROPERTY 3 Br, 3 Ba, new wood floors, tile, new paint, new light fixtures throughout. Fantastic views of Sierra Blanca. FP, 2 decks, family room, Jacuzzi in master Ba. $249,500. #103790

VIEW OF SIERRA BLANCA Great rental property or full-time residence. 5 Br, 3 full Ba. Remodeled! New paint, carpet & furniture. $229,900. #16227

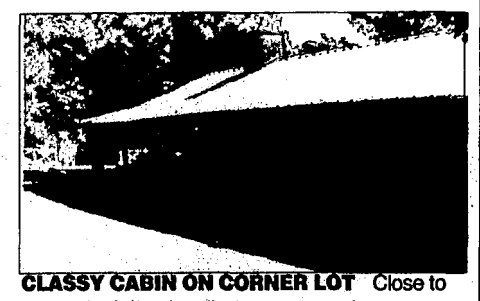


VERY NICE CONDO IN LOOKOUT ESTATES All remodeled, 3 Br, 3 1/2 Ba, fireplace, fully furnished. Excellent rental history. Beautiful views of Sierra Blanca. $220,000. #102476



COZY, WOODED SPOT IN WHITE MT EST Mostly updated, nice furnishing package, big garage, nice back deck, & all 1 level. Bonus room downstairs, awesome back yard, great location. $209,500. #101411

3 BR, 3 BA + LOFT, SLEEPS A BUNCH! Great vacation/permanent cabin in secluded Sun Valley! Mountain charm - super condition - super price, spacious deck, FP w/gas starter, tall pines, easy access. $193,500. #104701



CLASSY CABIN ON CORNER LOT Close to everything! Flooring-tile & carpet-nearly new. Large rooms, carport, big deck, old timey charm & very comfortable. Two bedroom & 2 baths. Beautiful fireplace.. $165,300. #104431 #104431

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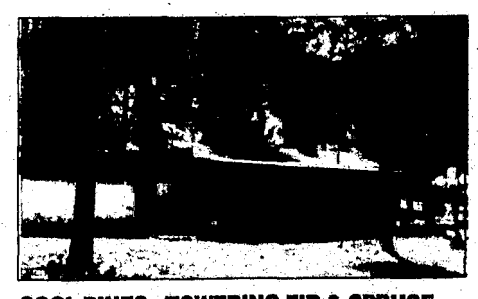
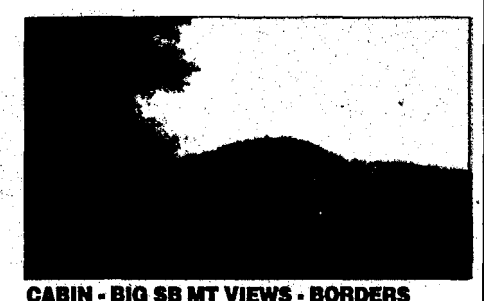
LOVELY REMODELED - GREAT ACCESS - GOOD LOCATION 1 Level in the tall (huge) pines - just right for vacation or permanent living. New carpet & paint, large rooms, big decks for barbeque's rain or shine. No nonsense price. $144,500. #105059



COOL PINES - TOWERING FIR & SPRUCE Cabin get-away in Cedar Creek - level land - level access - Upper Canyon reminiscent w/elbow room-near wonderful area. Almost limitless nat'l forest - hiking - sitting porch for summer - great fireplace for winter! $129,500. #105035



CABIN - BIG SB MT VIEWS - BORDERS FOREST Neat hide-away, priced right - endless hiking on US forest, clean cabin, fully furnished, wood stove, lots of parking & storage. Screened in porch, on all city utilities! $129,000. #105054

Five Ruidoso swimmers qualify at Las Cruces meet

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Emma Pearson awaits the starters instructions for the 100-meter breaststroke.

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Lane Carter (Yellow cap) dives to start the 100-meter freestyle.

What a difference a year makes. Eight Ruidoso swimmers spent two days, May 2-3, competing against more than 550 other swimmers from New Mexico, Colo-rado, Arizona, Texas and Mexico at the Las Cruces Aquatic Team Suntan Classic.

The eight swimmers representing the Ruidoso High Altitude Aquatics team (RHAA) – Sydney Annala, 9, Cisco Bob, III, 9, Irene Bob, 11, Lane Carter, 11, Kile Evans, 17, Emma Pearson, 9, Karly Pearson, 7, and Sarah Perez, 12 – competed in multiple events during the first meet of the long course season.

Long course refers to meets swum in 50-meter pools commonly known as Olympic-size pools.

This year the RHAA swimmers swam a total of 37 events during the two-day meet.

Five of these swimmers placed in 14 events and earned team points in the process. Also, five swimmers swam state qualifying times in a total of 12 events and are now qualified to swim at the New Mexico Long Course State Championships in July.

This was a major improvement for the team which a year ago at this same meet competed for only the second time in its short history and earned only eight scoring finishes and no state qualifiers.

Competing in six events

See SWIM, page 2B

CAPITAN LADY TIGERS ROLL ON, UNDEFEATED IN DISTRICT ACTION

MIKE CURRAN/RUIDOSO NEWS

Jamie Fields watches a high pitch go by.

MIKE CURRAN/RUIDOSO NEWS

Alisha Autrey pitched the second game against Lordsburg.

MIKE CURRAN/RUIDOSO NEWS

Kim Kotila hits a fielder's choice down to third base. The Lady Tigers took both ends of Friday's doubleheader, 28-0 and 19-9. Capitan is now 14-4 overall and undefeated in district at 6-0.

NMAA resumes all athletic programs

ALBUQUERQUE – The New Mexico Activities Association Board of Directors met Wednesday in emergency session following an announcement Tuesday from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the New Mexico Department of Health and the New Mexico Public Education Department that school closures in New Mexico are no longer necessary for health reasons.

The NMAA Board of Directors unanimously voted to approve practice as normal at the beginning of the thirty-five minute meeting.

The NMAA Board of Directors also voted upon and approved the following revised schedule for the Spring State Championship events.

Track and field

Class A-AA

May 13-14 (State Championships – UNM Track & Field Complex)

Class 3A-5A

Each district will determine the date of their district championship meet.

All district championship meets must conclude by Monday, May 11.

May 15-16 (State Championships – UNM Track & Field Complex)

Baseball

Class A/AA

May 8 (Seeding Meeting for 16 teams)

May 11 (First Round – Albuquerque)

May 12 (Quarterfinals – Albuquerque)

May 15 (Semifinals– Albuquerque)

May 16 (Finals – Isotopes Park)

Class 3A-5A

May 7-9 (Two out of three games at home sites)

May 14 (Quarterfinals – Albuquerque)

May 15 (Semifinals – Albuquerque)

May 16 (Finals – Isotopes Park)

Softball

Regular season resumes through Saturday, May 9.

Class A-AA

May 10 (Seeding/ Selection Meeting)

May 15-16 (Class A-AA Championships – Double Elimination – Las Cruces)

Class 3A-5A

May 10 (Seeding/ Selection Meeting)

May 14-16 (Class 3A-5A Championships – Double Elimination – Las Cruces)

Golf

Districts will have a choice of having a district tournament. All district tournaments must conclude by Saturday, May 9 at 6:00 PM.

Class A-AAA

May 10 (Seeding Meeting)

May 11-12 (Championships – UNM Golf Course)

Class AAAA

May 10 (Seeding Meeting)

May 12-13 (Championships – New Mexico Tech Golf Course)

Class AAAAA

May 10 (Seeding Meeting)

May 12-13 (Class AAAAA Championships – N.M. State University Golf Course)

Note: The NMAA will not sponsor practice rounds at any Golf State Championship course.

Tennis

May 14 (Individuals Tournament – Albuquerque)

May 15-16 (Team Tournament – Albuquerque)

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Preakness at Ruidoso Downs

TY WYANT
For the Ruidoso News

The New Mexico-based Mine That Bird's 50-1 upset win in the Kentucky Derby on May 2 means that it should be a standing-room-only crowd for the Preakness Stakes on Saturday, May 16, at Ruidoso Downs and Billy The Kid Casino.

Wagering on the Preakness, the second leg of thoroughbred racing's Triple Crown, will be offered at Ruidoso Downs and the Billy The Kid Casino.

Mine That Bird made a heart-stopping run through the Churchill Downs stretch to pull away and win the Kentucky Derby.

Mine That Bird, is owned by Mark Allen's Double Eagle Farm and Dr. Leonard Blach's Buena Suerte Ranch, each located in Roswell.

Two players at Ruidoso Downs teamed up to collect more than $36,000 in winnings by keying Mine That Bird in their Kentucky Derby wagers.

"It was a sensational Derby day. We had so much fun," Ruidoso Downs' marketing director Rachel Weber said.

"The Preakness should be even bigger since Mine That Bird won the Derby."

In addition to wagering on the entire Preakness day program from Pimlico Race Course in Baltimore, fans at Ruidoso Downs will have a variety of activities and specials.

There will be a handicapping contest in Billy's Sports Book, drink specials all day and a second-chance drawing at 6 p.m.

On Preakness day, Billy's Sports Bar and Grill will open at 8 a.m. for breakfast, the Billy The Kid Casino opens at 9 a.m. and the Turf Club opens at 11 a.m. and will offer a lunch special.

RUIDOSO CHEERLEADERS

COURTESY

The Ruidoso cheerleaders celebrate another successful season. Front row, l-r, Mattie Cathey, Griselle Perez, Cassie Thompson, Jacob Rodriguez, Brenda Piñon and Sarah Koehler. Back row, Domonique Sanchez, Riley Ketner, Mayra Valenzuela, LaKendra Lathan, Tara Mota, Cynthia Schleck, Claudia Marmolejo and Cait Kipp.

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Ruidoso's youth swim team

Ruidoso High Altitude Aquatics

SWIM

FROM PAGE 1B

in the 11-12 boys division, Lane Carter led the team-scoring with 30 points. Points are earned based on a swimmer's finish position.

He scored points in the 50-meter, 100-meter, 200-meter and 400-meter freestyle events as well as the 100-meter backstroke. He qualified for the state championships in all four of the freestyle events.

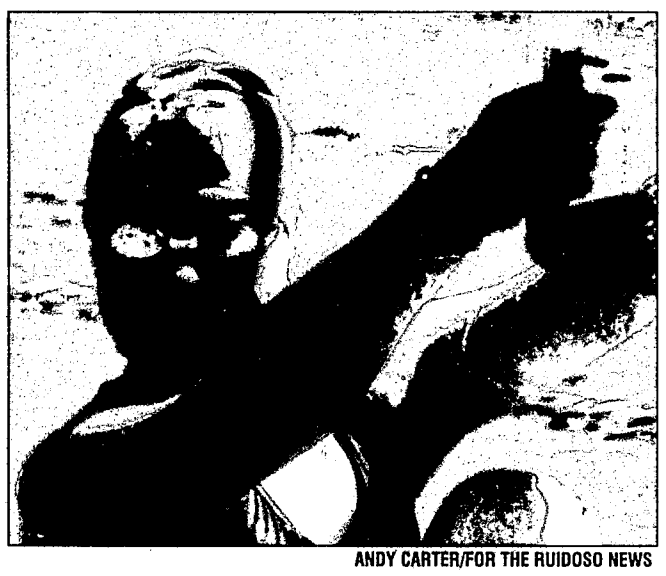
Close behind Sydney Annala scored 26 points, competing in the 9-10 girls division. She swam in six events, scoring in four of them. She qualified for the state championships in the 50-meter freestyle, 50-meter butterfly, 100-meter freestyle and the 200-meter individual medley.

Four other swimmers scored and/or state qualified for RHAA. Cisco Bob, III, competed in the 9-10 boys division in four events, earning six points and qualifying for the state championships in two events, the 100-meter breaststroke and the 100-meter freestyle. In the 7-8 girls division, Karly Pearson earned five points in two events, while her sister Emma Pearson competed in the 9-10 girls division, scoring points and earning a trip to the state championships in the 100-meter freestyle. Kile Evans also earned a trip to the state championships, swimming a qualifying time in the 15 & over 50-meter freestyle.

Coach Doug Hunsicker commented after the meet, "These kids did a great job this weekend. It's early in the season and we already have several swimmers qualified for this summer's long course state championships. We've come a long way in the last year."

RHAA currently has 25 swimmers at various levels of ability. While the summer season has already begun, new swimmers are welcome. Tryouts are each Friday at 4:30 at the Ruidoso Athletic Club. Further information is available at www.ruidososwimming.com.

In an effort to promote swimming and good health, on Saturday, May 30, RHAA and the Ruidoso Athletic Club are hosting the third annual Ruidoso Sprint Triathlon for individuals and teams. This event combines running, cycling and swimming. Information and registration are available at ruidosoathleticclub.com.



ANDY CARTER/FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Sydney Annala hangs from the starting blocks to begin the 100-meter backstroke.

ANDY CARTER/FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Cisco Bob, III, swims the breaststroke.

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RUIDOSO POLICE BRIEFS

Take one, leave one

Ruidoso Officer Jon Lund responded to a switched gun report in the 400 block of Highway 70, May 2.

The victim reported someone replaced a Bond Texas Defended with a Bryco .380 semi automatic pistol. At the victim's request Lund took the .380 to the Ruidoso Police Department.

How'd that happen?

A dog reported missing from the 100 block of Deodar on April 3, was found dead inside a home on the 100 block of Candlewood April 29. According to Ruidoso Police the Candlewood homeowner reported a breaking and entering through a bedroom window while they were out of town.

The dead dog was reportedly found in another back bedroom and Officer Tyler Tyson and Animal Control Officer April Allen identified the dog from a lost dog flyer.

Chase and crash

Two men were arrested and an arrest warrant was issued for a third man after a vehicle crashed into a tree on Flume Canyon April 28.

The victim involved in the car crash told Ruidoso Police that three men in a Jeep chased him and broke his windshield with a thrown object. He crashed into the tree after reportedly driving into a dead end and turning around to try to escape the pursuit. Based on the victim and a witness' testimony

Police obtained warrants and arrested Gervase Peso, 20, 400 block Second Street and his 16-year-old brother. An arrest warrant was also issued for Oscar Gallegos, 20, 100 block White Mountain Drive.

Peso was charged with aggravated battery with a deadly weapon, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, harassment, criminal damage to property and reckless driving.

Gallegos was charged with aggravated battery with a deadly weapon harassment, criminal damage to property and reckless driving.

The 16-year old was charged with aggravated battery, harassment, and criminal damage to property.

The brothers told police the incident started when the victim drove down Second Street at a high rate of speed while their 8-year-old cousin was playing outside and said the vehicle nearly hit Gervase Cash.

Where's the party

The tailgate was reportedly stolen from a Ford F-150 pickup in the 100 block of Meander on May 1.

Watch the language

Ruidoso Police Sergeant Joel Martin responded to Aspen Lodge for a report of a fight on May 1, and reportedly encountered an intoxicated Tiffiny Thompson, 19, 500 block of Second Street.

Martin reported Thompson was uncooperative, vulgar and loud. He arrested her on a charge of minor allowing self to be served.

Jeepers, peepers

Workers at the Community United Methodist Church on Junction Road called police about a man peeking in the window just before noon on April 28. Ruidoso Officer Larry Smith arrived to find Alley M. Hosetosavit, 30, of Palmer Loop, Mescalero asleep across the street.

Smith cited Hosetosavit for unlawful peeping or looking into a building and gave him a ride to the reservation so he could go home.

Not open, gone

Two pipe frame gates were reported stolen from the 2800 block of Sudderth on May 4.

The gates were valued at $1,000.

The owner advised police that he had last seen the gates about a week earlier.

Park Avenue B&E

A breaking and entering and criminal damage to property in the 100 block of Park Avenue was reported to Ruidoso Ruidoso Police on May 4.

Unknown person(s) reportedly removed 20-feet of wooden fence, kicked in five doors and stole two televisions and two microwaves.

RUIDOSO DOWNS POLICE BRIEFS

OMI call

Police responded to a 911 call for an unresponsive female.

Subject was deceased and OMI was called on April 21.

Juvenile lifter

On April 21, police responded to Walmart in answer to a shoplifting call. The juvenile suspect was cited into court and turned over to a parent.

To go plate

The license plate was reported stolen from a vehicle at a business on Highway 70 April 22.

Keep away

Ruidoso Downs Police were called to the 600 block of Turkey Canyon on April 24 in response to a report that Amadeo Gomez-Herra, 45, had violated a temporary restraining order.

Gomez-Herrera was taken into custody without incident.

Escaped shopper

On April 25, a 911 call from Walmart reported a shoplifter.

The suspect left on foot and officers were unable to locate him.

Loss prevention was able to identify subject due to previous encounters and a warrant for his arrest was issued.

VIP

A VIP (very important purse) was reported stolen from a vehicle in the Walmart parking lot on April 25.

The victim reportedly called 911 to report the theft.

Five finger discount

Ruidoso Downs Police arrested Eliott Sainz, 18, on a charge of shoplifting at Walmart.

Double trouble

Ruidoso Downs Police took Samuel Deane, 36, into custody on a ruidoso Magistrate Court warrant and a Ruidoso Downs Municipal Court warrant on April 22.

DWI

Police responded to a 911 call reporting a crash on Wood Lane. Officers located the vehicle and after the minor injuries were treated, police took Steven Noseff, 24, into custody for DWI and contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

Noseff was out on bond from a court hearing held that same day, on DWI charges.

Amanda Bethard, 21, was taken into custody for contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

The minor was cited into court for allowing self to be served and turned over to the parents.

COURT BRIEFS

Criminal screaming

Trisha Drury, 22, #206 200 block of Upper Terrace pleaded no contest to a charge of disorderly conduct and was sentenced to 182 days of unsupervised probation and ordered to pay $67 in court costs in Ruidoso Magistrate Court, April 15.

Drury was arrested at The Quarters, April 12, for allegedly screaming at Ruidoso Officer Lance Ledford and The Quarters staff.

No signal, pot bust

Lindsay E. Osborn, 19, 100 block W. Deer Trail Cinem, Capitan, pleaded no contest to charges of possession of less than one ounce of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia on April 20.

She was sentenced to two terms of 90 days on probation.

She was ordered to pay $234 in court costs.

Osborn was arrested after a traffic stop for a inoperable brake light and failure to signal a turn on April 19.

Watch the Web site for frequent police report updates.

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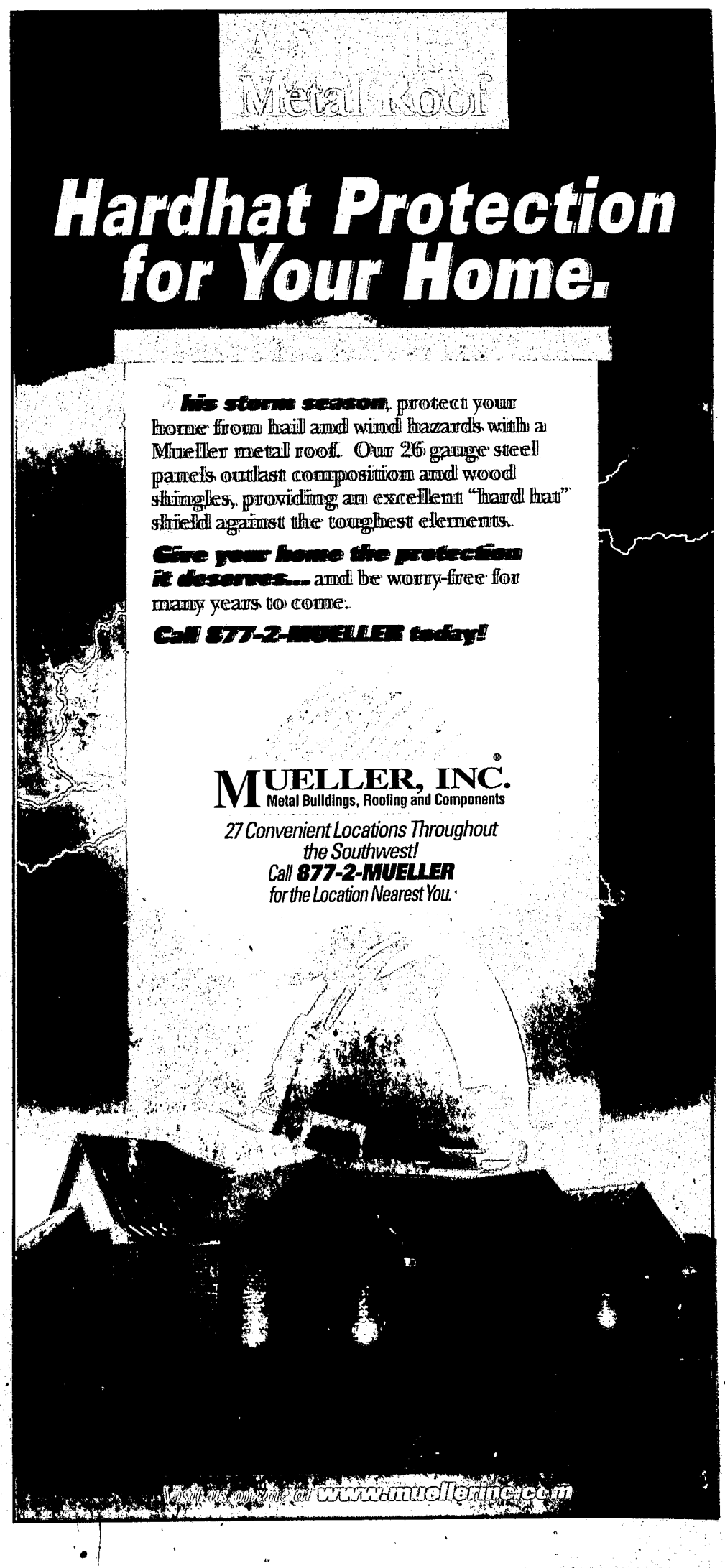

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Congregacion Hispana de los Testigos de Jehova 1102 Gavilan Canyon Rd., 336-4147, 378-7095. Dom.: Reunion Publica–10:00 am.; Estudio de la Atalya–10:35 am. Mart.: Escuela del Ministerio Teocratico–7:00 p.m.; Reunion de Servicio–7:50 p.m. Mier: Estudio Biblico de Congregacion-7:00 p.m; Escuela del Ministerio Teocratico-7:30p.m; JReunion de Servicio-8:00 p.m; Juev:Estudio de Libro–7:00 p.m.

JEWISH / HEBREW

Kehilla Bat-Tzion & Hebrew Learning Center, Inc.–2204 Sudderth Dr. Ruidoso, NM 88345 505-257-0122. Services 1st, 3rd & 5th Fridays at 7:00 pm, Kabbalat Shabbat Services followed with an oneg. Kabbalat means "to receive the Sabbath."

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. Todd Salzwedel, 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

Abundant Life United Pentecostal Church of Ruidoso 613 Sudderth Dr. Unit D. Pastor, Art Dunn, Youth Pastor, Nathaniel Dunn. Sunday morning, 10:00 AM. Free home Bible studies.

PRESBYTERIAN

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

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

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

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

REFORMED CHURCH

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

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

Ruidoso Seventh Day Adventist 207 Parkway, Agua Fria, Ruidoso Downs, 378-4161. Pastor Bill Kasper 575-437-0237; 1st Elder Manuel Moya 575-937-4487. Saturday: Sabbath School 9:30 a.m.; Church service: 11 a.m. Wednesday: Prayer meeting 7 p.m.

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

Sacramento Mountains Unitarian Universalist Church, meets 2nd & 4th Sundays; 9:30 a.m. 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@americanmissionary.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 ~

Centro Familiar Destino 304 Sudderth Dr., Ruidoso, NM 88345, (575) 257-0447. Services are bilingual and as follow: Wednesdays @ 6:00pm, Sundays @ 11:00am. Youth Group "Verdad" Thursdays @ 6:30pm.

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 1 p.m., 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.

Foot of the Cross Christian Ministries 2812 Sudderth (Pine Tree Shopping Center) Pastor, Phil Appel. Services: Sunday 10:30 AM Contemporary Praise & Worship, Children's Praise & Sunday School for ages 2-11. Wednesdays 7:00 PM Midweek Bible Study. For more info please call 937-8677 or visit our website at www.thefootofthecross.org

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.

Iglesia Bautista "Vida Eterna" Pastor Rev, Ramon Robledo. 207 East Circle; Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346, 361 E. Hwy. 70, (505) 378-8108. Email: revrobledo@lycos.com

J Bar J Church 40 Hwy 70W, 575-257-6899 Pastor Charles W. Clary, Sunday 8:15 am (Summer) & 10:00 am (year round), Tuesday 6:30 pm Worship Times. E-mail: jbarjcountrychurch@ruidoso.net

Miracle Life Ministry Center Ron Rice & Catherine Callahan, Ministers Available 24 hours for healing prayer. 354-0255 e-mail miraclelife@ruidoso-online.com

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.

NON-SECTARIAN

Spiritual Awareness Study Group Minister: George N. Brown, Ph.D. U.L.C. Sundays 1 p.m. - 257-1569

Men's Bible Study, Band Of Brothers Meets Four Times Each Week, Call 937-0071 For Times And Location

CAPITAN & LINCOLN CHURCHES

BAPTIST

Trinity Southern Baptist Church (south on Highway 48) Mt. Capitan Rd. 354-2044. Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.; Sunday Service: 11 a.m.; Celebrate Recovery (Faith based 12 step program for all types of addictions) Tuesday 6:30 p.m. Meal @ 6:00 p.m. CrossFire Youth Group meets Thursday 6:30 p.m. Meal @ 6:00 p.m. Mel Gnatkowski, pastor 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 – 1st & 3rd Sunday: Holy Eucharist – 11:00 am

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 5 pm on First day, at the Anderson-Freeman Visitor's Center 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 648-2853. Father Dave Bergs, Pastor. Saturday Mass: 6:30 p.m.; Sunday Mass: 10:30 a.m.; Tuesday Adult Bible Study: 6 p.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Perry 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 9:00 a.m.

METHODIST

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

NON-DENOMINATIONAL

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

MESCALERO

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

Faith and fortune intersect in many ways

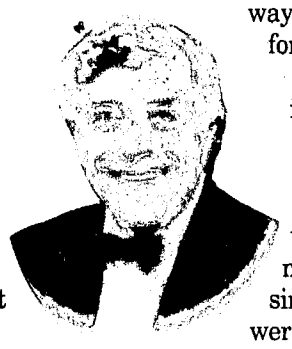
Q. During this economic meltdown, the current system of doing business is not working for many of us.

Instead of waiting for those in Washington and the corporate boardrooms to produce a solution, I was wondering what God might have to say on the subject.

What behaviors should we as individuals practice to improve our financial health? What do the great faith traditions have to say about our relationship with money and material stuff?

I know this is a big topic, but there must be a consensus across the faith traditions given the singular source.

– E., Buffalo, N.Y., via an actual letter with a stamp on it!



The God Squad
MARC GELLMAN

A. I'd love to get God's policy proposals for solving the banking crisis, reducing the deficit and stabilizing the dollar, but as you know, I'm in sales, not management.

Nonetheless, I appreciate your question and will do my best to share with you the ways I know faith and fortune intersect.

The first spiritual insight obvious to me is that business needs a renewal of trust. At the foundation of this crisis is a massive collapse of simple trust. Loans were given and taken without the honest trust that they could be repaid. Debt was bundled and rated and sold as safe by those we could not trust to rate them honestly.

Everywhere, from trusted financial advisors like Bernie Madoff to major financial institutions and hedge funds, trust collapsed, and trust is not a financial instrument.

At its roots, trust a religious virtue. The word "Amen" means, "I trust this."

So I would ask not how to inject more liquidity into the financial system. I would rather ask how to inject more trust into the financial system.

As always, I believe solutions come from the wisdom of faith made real in our daily lives. Trust must begin not with great government promises but with a personal promise that we will be trustworthy in our work.

The Bible commands us to have honest scales and honest measures, and although most of us are not selling barley by the basket at the gates to the city, we can all do better to reconstruct trust from where we stand.

We can advertise, but we must not deceive. We can sell, but we must not lie. We can lend and borrow but only if we can pay out debts.

The CEO of a gigantic corporation once thrust his hand out to me and said, "This is all I have. My hand, my word that what I say I will do, I will actually do, no matter its cost to me. My hand is all I have. I make billion-dollar deals with just my hand. Only then do I let the lawyers get involved."

Another spiritual solution to the present financial crisis is giving charity to the poor. In the Book of Daniel, Chapter 4, the prophet Daniel offers King Nebuchadnezzar the chance to annul God's decree against him by "showing mercy to the poor." In Isaiah, Chapter 58, we read the prophetic condemnation of fasting on Yom Kippur if it is not accompanied by acts of charity to those who sleep in the dust.

I know it's easy to find reasons to cut back on your normal charitable giving, but now is the time to increase your donations if you can.

Charities that help the poor, heal the sick, and teach tolerance and respect for all people were among the first victims of the recession. They need our help desperately.

In addition to helping charities do their good works, giving to them has a powerful spiritual side benefit.

By giving, we remind ourselves that everything we have is a gift. We truly own nothing. God owns everything and what we have is on loan.

One of the costs of servicing this divine loan of everything everywhere is to give back a percentage of what we've been loaned to help those who haven't been loaned enough.

Charity doesn't just help the poor; it also reduces our arrogance and selfishness and feeling of entitlement.

In the Bible, this point is brought home by the commandment to leave the corners of the field unharvested so the poor could come and share God's bounty. Charity helps us look beyond ourselves at a time when we could easily be self-absorbed..

The Muslim practice of charity (zakat) and the Jewish and Christian practice of tithing don't apply only when we're doing well and won't miss the contributions. They have more meaning when our giving is sacrificial.

Personally, I also think faith can intersect with fortune when we change the lists we keep in the front of our minds. Instead of keeping a list of what's been taken from us in these tough times, let's refer more regularly to the list of what we've been given.

I believe that even in the worst times and on the darkest days there's never a moment when our burdens exceed our blessings.

Remembering this simple spiritual truth from every ancient wisdom tradition can help us not merely endure, but thrive and grow into a new season of faith, hope and charity.

And let us say, Amen.

Send questions only to The God Squad, c/o Tribune Media Services, 2225 Kenmore Ave., Suite 114, Buffalo, NY 14207, or email them to godsquadquestion@aol.com.

Nature emulates God's plan for our renewal

Last weekend, I planted my tomato and pepper plants. My wife planted petunias, impatiens, and dahlias in hanging baskets. Our irises are beginning to bloom.

The day lilies will soon be blooming along with the daisies, gallardias, and clematis. I love the spring time in the Sacramentos (when the wind is not blowing).

Clary-fications
BY CHARLES CLARY
RUIDOSO PASTOR

The renewal of vegetation in the mountains is just gorgeous. The deciduous trees are putting on leaves.

The wild flowers are beginning to flower.

Each of the different seasons in the high desert has its own particular beauty. But the contrast of snow (when we get it) with the greening renewal is special.

I am installing in a 1,200-gallon water tank to catch the run-off moisture so that I can keep grass, flowers and garden green without using village water.

We will do our bit to be part of God's green renewal plan.

The Spring renewal is just an annual reminder that one day, God will renew everything ... new heavens, new earth, etc. Jesus speaks from heaven, "Behold, I will make all things new."

We have made a mess of many things on the earth, and now we are junking up the heavens as well.

The earth is able to bounce back. For example, trees grow back where fires have ravaged the forests. Polluted streams find new waterways to the ocean.

But, the earth will not always be able to renew itself. One day, God will take care of that.

A year and a half ago, Alice and I renewed our wedding vows (the 50th anniversary).

Daughters, sons-in-law, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren were all witnesses to the fact that God empowers in renewal.

If God works in renewing the earth and helps in renewing our vows of marriage, there is no doubt that He can renew the human spirit.

Man is polluted by sin, wrong choices, and the breaking of God's laws.

But God will clean up a sinful heart and life, if we believe in Him and ask Him to do it.

I am glad God has made me a new creature and I hope His renewal plan is working in your life as well.

He gives us help for today and hope for tomorrow.

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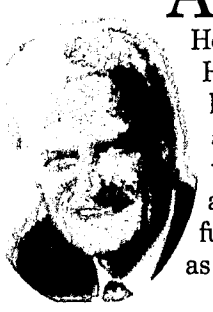
When you accept Christ, the Holy Spirit dwells within you

Q. I understand who Jesus was, and I don't have any trouble believing in God, but where does the Holy Spirit fit into things? Some of my Christian friends talk about the Holy Spirit a fair amount, but my church never did. Maybe you can help me. – A.W.



Billy Graham
MY ANSWER
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A. Who is the Holy Spirit? The Holy Spirit is God Himself, as He lives within us and also works in the world. Just as Jesus was fully God (as well as fully man), so the Holy Spirit also is fully God. (This, incidentally, is why we shouldn't refer to the Holy Spirit as "it," but as "Him" - for He is a Person, the third person of the Trinity.)

Shortly before He ended His earthly ministry, Jesus promised His followers that the Holy Spirit would come to take His place: "I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever" (John 14:16).

Why did He come? He came to help us – because we can't live the way we should by ourselves. He also came to guide us - because we need to know God's will. He also came to assure us of God's presence – because we need God's comfort.

If you have given your life to Jesus Christ, God's Holy Spirit now dwells within you. Thank God for this truth, and yield your life to His power every day, because "the Spirit helps us in our weakness" (Romans 8:26).

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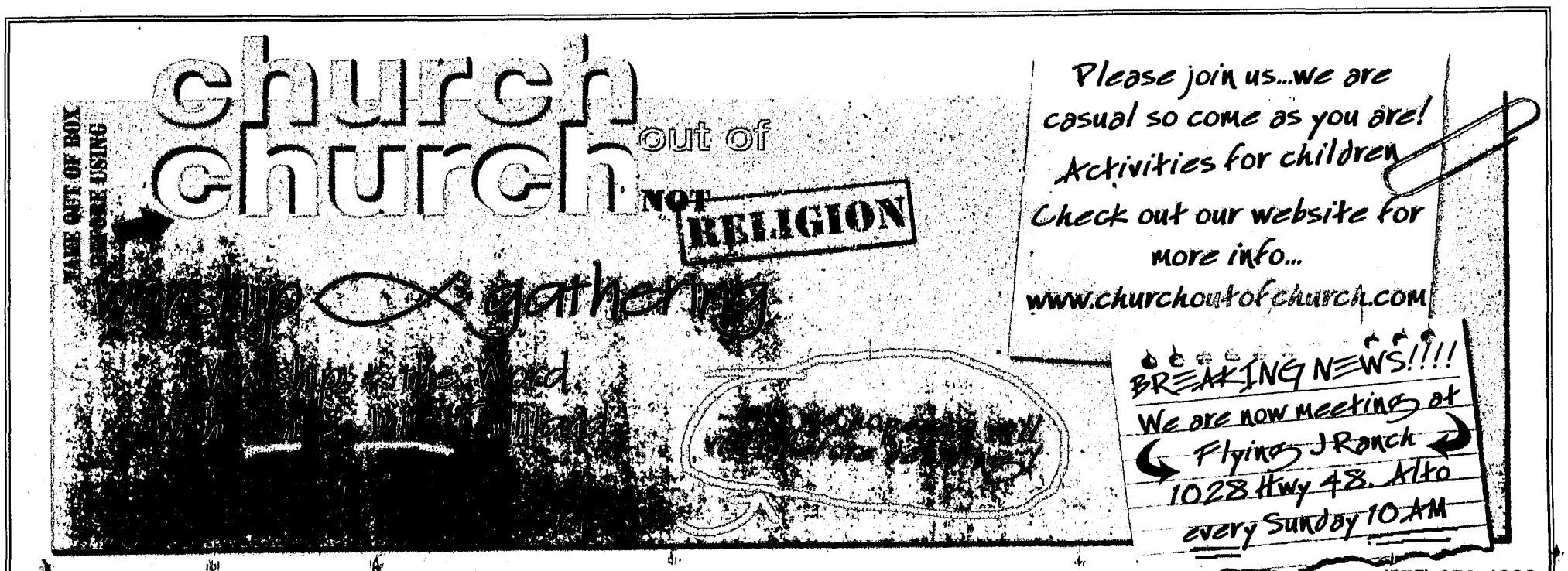

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The henhousified drinker

Cowgirl Sass & Savvy
BY JULIE CARTER

Saving everything is a guaranteed trait among rural folk. Cowboys have to and farmers because that's what they do.

If you are married, related or a neighbor to one, you have frequently heard them say, "Well, I have to be a saver, we grew up poor. We had clean clothes, even if they were patched, and enough to eat, even though it was mostly beans." Add the "walk five miles to school every day, uphill both ways" and you have it all.

Get the violin.

Not long ago, a cowboy and his wife set out to add a drinker (water tank) for the roping cattle.

The very fact he was going to do this for his wife was a mark of love. She had been putting out the cattle every day, sometimes twice a day, and bringing them in, sometimes twice a day, through four sets of gates that had to be set coming and going.

This feeding rotation was an effort to save that high priced hay and let them pick their own groceries to stay strong enough to be roped. They also had to come in at night. There was no drinker in that trap either.

The head cowboy actually bought a new drinking tub. In preparation for installation, the couple went through the supply of short pieces of water hose, float housings, floats, valve connections, all things saved from the past decades of repairing countless drinkers. The supply was somewhat depleted, but saved just the same.

There was good supply of hose assemblies for replacements because of the frozen winters, where it was easier to change out a frozen hose than try to thaw it. The cowboy would bring the frozen hoses in and put them in the bathtub to thaw overnight to keep the rotation supply steady.

That didn't always make the frozen wife happy since the only thing that would thaw her out after a long, cold day was a hot bath.

Gathering up an armload of the hoses in lengths of one to 10 feet long, they headed out to get the new drinker connected to water.

First job was to make up a float from several old ones. And, it seems all the hoses had one end or the other that was nonfunctional and needed new connections. This required hose clamps which he cannibalized off various other components.

He finally got the valve replaced, built a hose, built a float, got a housing that almost fit over the float and soon there was water in the drinker.

This major project took the better part of the afternoon. The wife was there mostly in an advisory capacity, but did manage to hand him the pipe wrench that takes two hands to pick up, the vise grip pliers, the pipe dope and, of course, generally contribute to the fellowship.

They had been married more than 30 years, worked together daily for most of that time, and as a rule, she did not keep secrets from him.

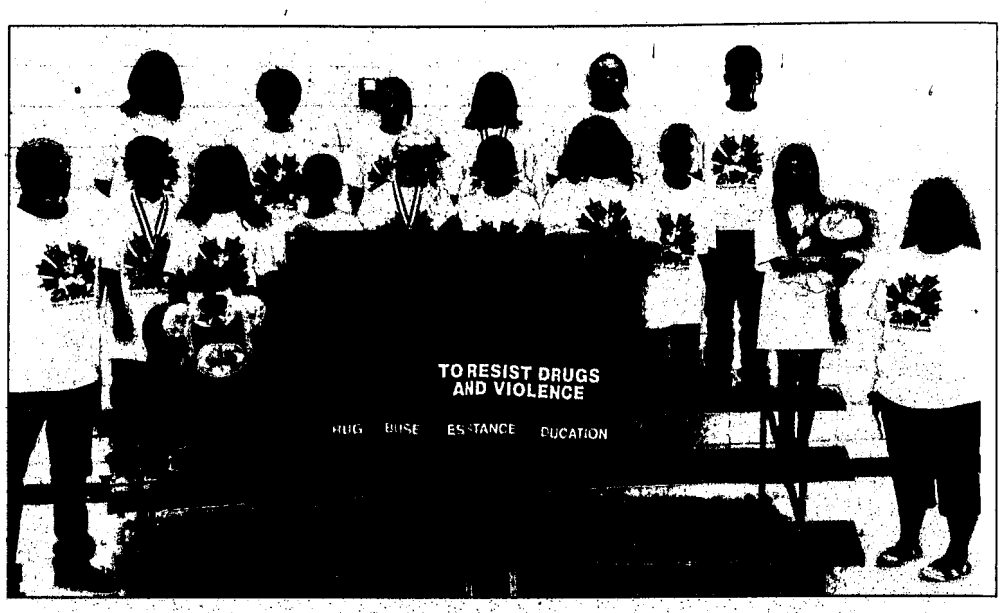
However, she distinctly remembered being in Walmart and seeing a brand new 50-foot hose for $5.39 and new float that would add about $2 to the bill.

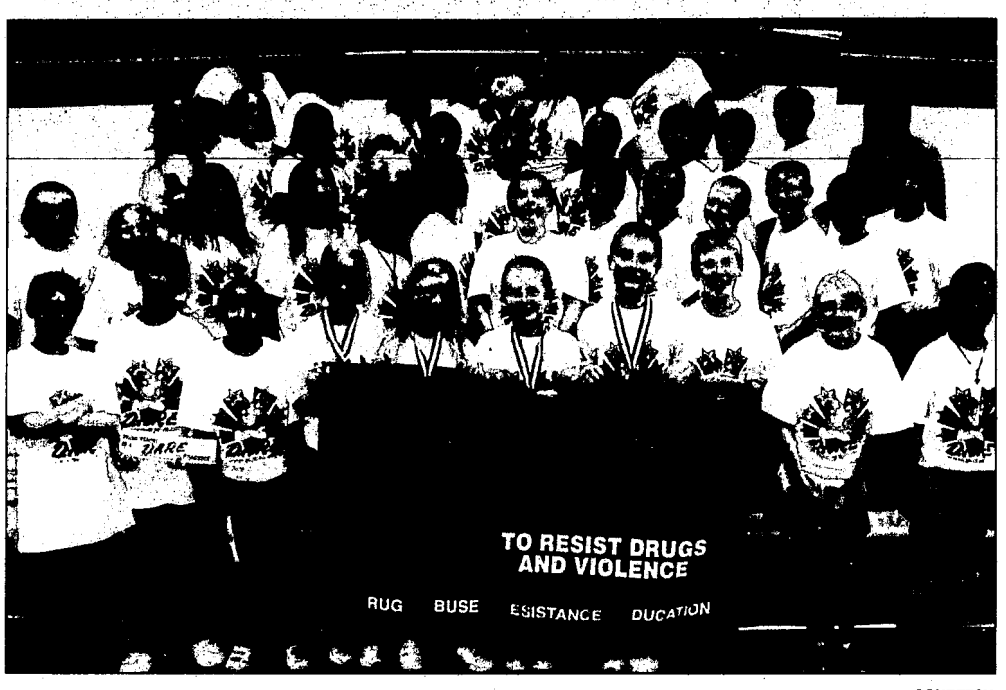
She thought about telling him that, but after serious consideration, decided that all afternoon for two cowboys for a $7.39 savings, was about the usual rate of pay.

Henhouse ways have saved fortunes for the cowboy world. That's why there are so many rich cowboys and why baling wire, twine and tape (electrical and duct) are such commodities.

Julie can be reached for comment at jcarter@ruidosonews.com.

DARE GRADUATES





COURTESY

Two more sets of DARE classes completed the program taught by Stephen Barnett of the Capitan Police Department. Fifth graders from Carrizozo, top, and Capitan, bottom, graduated from the DARE (drug abuse resistance education) progam last week. Barnett has taught DARE classes for 10 years in New Mexico and this is the second year for him to teach the program in the two schools.

COUNTY BRIEFS

Walton scholarship

J.T. Eldridge, a 2009 graduate of Capitan High School, is among 2,695 students across the U.S. selected to receive the Sam Walton Community Scholarship.

Funded by the Walmart Foundation, this is a one-time $3,000 scholarship that will assist with tuition, fees, books or on-campus room and board during the 2009-10 academic year.

Eldridge's parents are Jay and Crystal Eldridge of Capitan.

Eldridge will attend New Mexico State University in the fall and plans to study Sports Medicine.

In 2008 the Walmart Foundation contributed more than $67 million to support local schools and universities, student scholarships and educational organizations.

In total, Walmart and the Walmart Foundation gave more than $378 million in cash and in-kind gifts last year across the U.S.

Citizen of the Year

The Capitan Chamber of Commerce will recognize Pat Garrett as the 2009 Citizen of the Year on Monday, May 18, at a reception at Oso Art in Capitan.

The event will be from 6 – 8 p.m., with an awards presentation at 7 p.m.

Light food and refreshments will be served.

There will be a silent auction of book and library-themed art items, which have been donated in Garrett's honor by local artists. All proceeds go directly to the library.

If you would like to donate a monetary gift to the library in Garrett's name, there will be a money "tree" box available.

Come show your appreciation for Garrett and all she has done for the Capitan Public Library.

Johnson named to ADK Hall of Fame

JULIE CARTER
jcarter@ruidosonews.com

Ruby Johnson of the Ruidoso Eta Chapter was named to the Southern District Hall of Fame at Alpha Delta Kappa Southern District Conference held recently in Carlsbad.

She will be recognized at the next state convention.

The New Mexico Eta Chapter held its last meeting of this biennium at Emily's Southern Accent Restaurant in Capitan.

Carolyn Stover, president, presided over the meeting.

Angela Romero, a teacher in the Capitan School District, was initiated as a member of the chapter.

The chapter voted they would award three $500 scholarships to seniors graduating from Lincoln County high schools.

Applications for the scholarships will be available at the counselor's office at each individual high school.

Thirty-six members of New Mexico Eta Chapter celebrated their Golden Anniversary in March.

Charter members of the newly formed chapter were: Jane Borman, Jewell White, Jesse Hawkins, Fronie Ramey, Marcella "Dutch" Cunningham, Leota Pfingsten, Elsie Kimbrell, Ofelia Salas, Sally Reese, Inez Pacheco and Alma Sullivan.

First initiates of Eta Chapter in 1960 were: Emma Jean Hall, Irene Watkins, and Nellie Ruth Jones. New Mexico Eta chapter was formed on a countywide basis since faculty membership at any one school in the county was not large enough to sustain a chapter.

COURTESY

Ruby Johnson was recently named to the Southern District Hall of Fame of Alpha Delta Kappa.

CORRIENTE COWBELLES AG DAY

Calvin Wold, aka Baby Cal, enjoys holding one of the pigmy goats provided by Dr. Becky Washburn during Ag Day for Capitan Elementary School. The Corriente Cowbelles did an outstanding job in providing a variety of educational demonstrations for approximately 250 students. The barn at Upper Hondo Soil & Water Conserva-tion District provided the perfect location for the event. Cal is the son of Dusty and Ruth Wold.

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Weed of the Week

Since the flood waters after Hurricane Dolly in July 2008, Lincoln County has experienced a huge influx of noxious/invasive plant species.

Among the group are two that have taken a strong hold on the county.

Hoary cress (Cardaria draba), also known as whitetop, has a root system which consists of vertical and lateral roots from which new rosettes and flowering shoots emerge.

The roots normally average a depth of 29-32 inches; however, it has been recorded to penetrate depths of up to 30-60 feet The extremely persistent roots will eventually eliminate desirable vegetation and become a monoculture.

A single plant can spread over an area 12 feet in diameter in a single year. Hoary cress contains glucosinolate which is toxic to livestock.

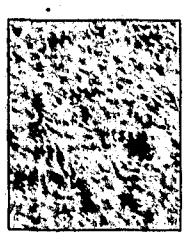
The heaviest populations are along the Rio Ruidoso particularly where flood waters swirled and eroded the stream bank.

The second noxious invasive plant is poison hemlock or "wild carrot". A member of the carrot family, poison hemlock grows 3- to 8-feet tall.

Then the plant emerges it has the distinct appearance of a carrot. The stems are stout, hollow, ridged, and red or purple-spotted.

Crushed foliage and roots have a disagreeable, parsnip-like odor.

Flowers are small, white, and borne in umbrella-shaped clusters about 3 inches across (appearing in early summer).



Hemlock

Hoary Cress

It reproduces from seeds that are ridged and flattened, with 2 seeds borne together..

It has a thick, white taproot that may easily be mistaken for wild parsnips. All plant parts are *extremely* poisonous to livestock and humans (it was used to poison Socrates).

Poison hemlock typically inhabits roadsides, pastures, field edges or natural areas, it prefers moist conditions along streams and low-lying areas.

If you see large populations of either of these plants, call the Lincoln County Cooperative Weed Management Area at 575-354-2220.

Weed of the Week is sponsored by Lincoln County Cooperative Weed Management Area.

HAROLD OAKES/RUIDOSO NEWS

Godfrey Gomez, of Bullseye Weed Control, sprays weeds along the Links at Sierra Blanca Golf Course fence Saturday, May 2. The Upper Hondo Water Conservation District contracted Bullseye Weed Control to spray noxious weeds in the area.

CAPITAN PROM ROYALTY

Capitan High School 2009 Prom King and Queen were crowned April 25, at Cree Meadows Country Club. Amara Willingham, daughter of Andy and Tamara Willingham, and J.T. Eldridge, son of Jay and Chrystal Eldridge, wore the honorary crowns. The theme of the prom was Red Carpet Romance. Members of the court were Samantha Sparks, daughter of Mozie Sparks; Ashley DuBose, daughter of Janice Silva-Burris; Mitchell Harper, son of Ron and Shirley Harper; and Rett Autrey, son of Emmitt and Angela Autrey.

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NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTEES

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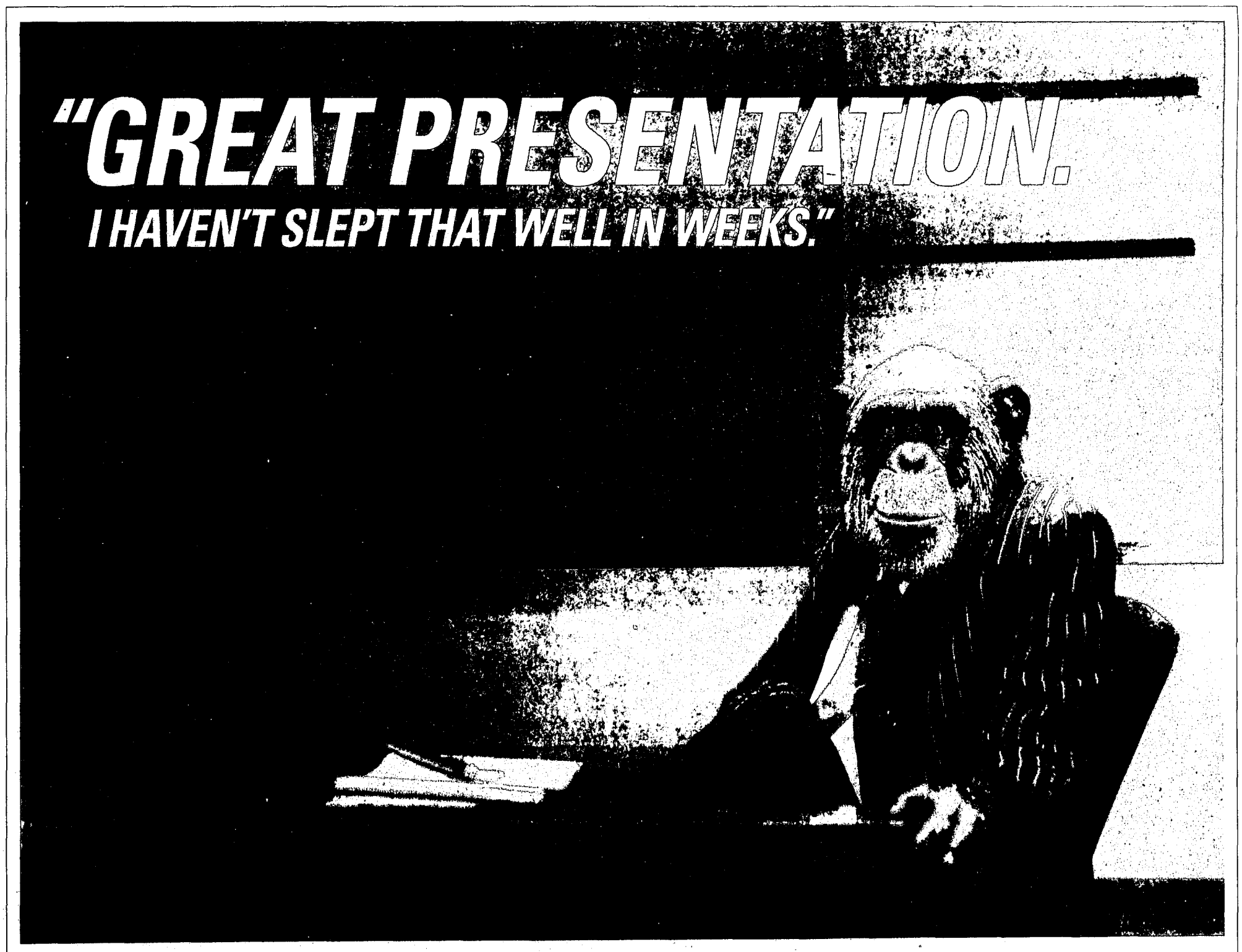
Capitan High School National Honor Society induction ceremony was held April 27. Inductees for this year are, back row, l-r: McKensey Nall, Kasey Kessler,Scheryiah Romero, Logan Eshom. Front row: Dani Jones, Jessica Price and Chase Morel. NHS members are selected based on knowledge, scholarship, leadership, service and character. Students who are invited to apply must complete an essay and teacher interview process. Capitan NHS is sponsored by JoBeth Vinson. All inductees are currently sophomores except for Price, who is junior.



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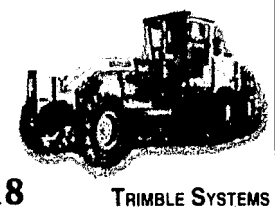

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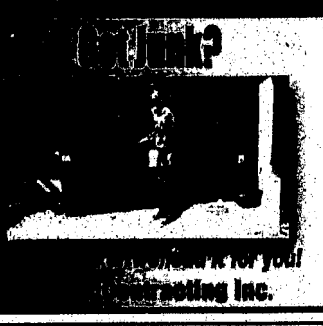

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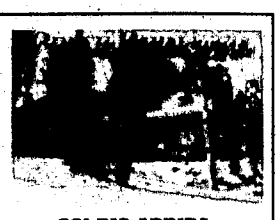

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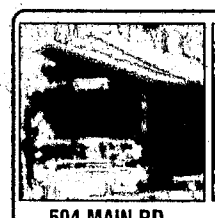

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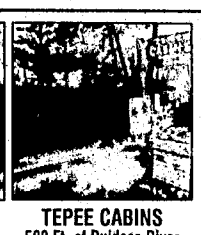

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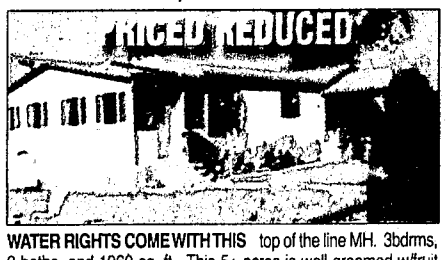

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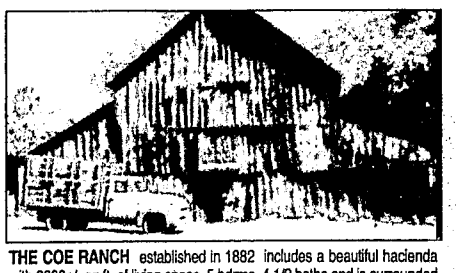

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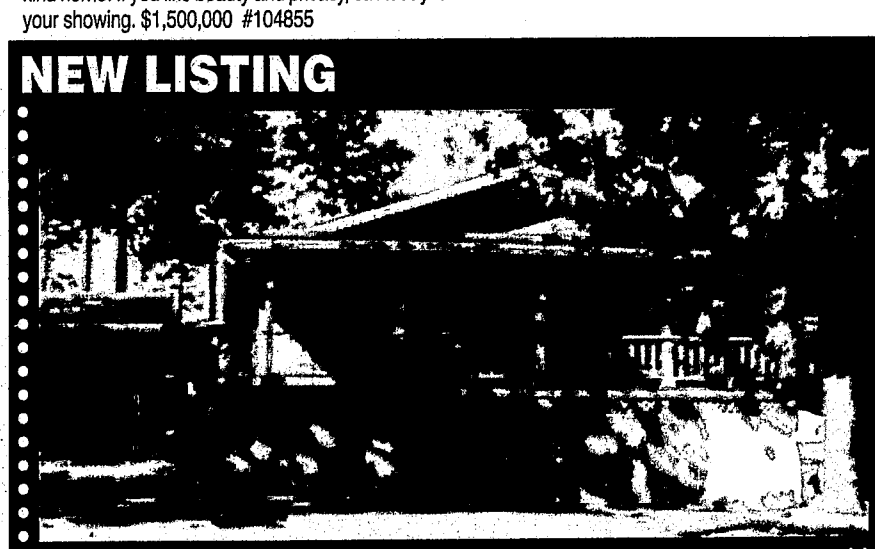

THIS IS A MUST SEE!! Comfortable 1 level home. Large living room with beautiful corner fireplace. Master bedroom opens to large rock patio with hot tub & very nice landscaped yard. Great neighborhood and close to everything. Paved drive with 2 car carport. New roof and natural gas furnace in 2008. Even has a tankless water heater. Not many like this, check it out. $245,000 #104856

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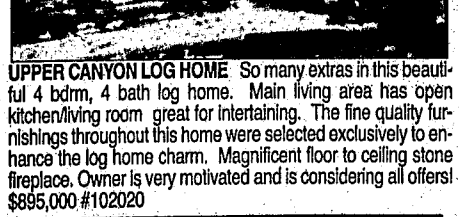
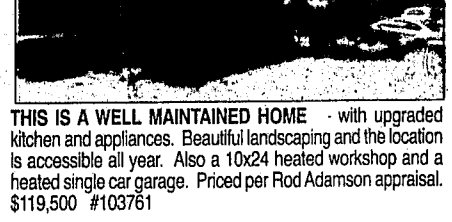


UPPER CANYON LOG HOME So many extras in this beautiful 4 bdrm, 4 bath log home. Main living area has open kitchen/living room great for intertaining. The fine quality furnishings throughout this home were selected exclusively to enhance the log home charm. Magnificent floor to ceiling stone fireplace. Owner is very motivated and is considering all offers! $895,000 #102020



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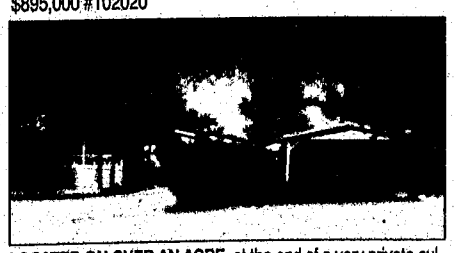

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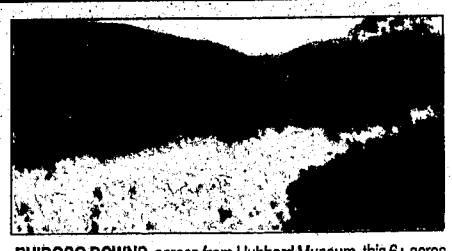

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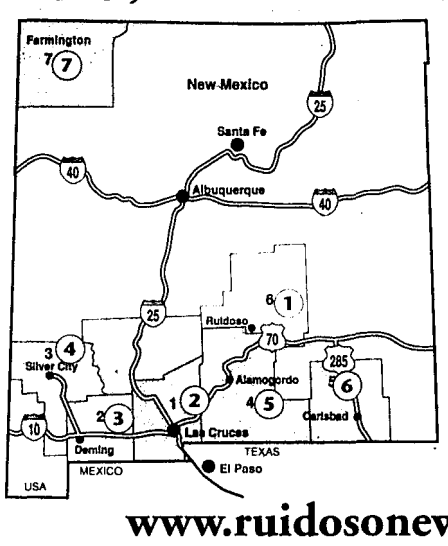

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TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO

CITY BANK NEW MEXICO,

Plaintiff,
vs.

VARNADORE CLEANERS, INC., JIMMY D. VARNADORE and JACQUELYN R. VARNADORE, STATE OF NEW MEXICO, TAXATION AND REVENUE DEPARTMENT and VILLAGE OF RUIDOSO, a municipal corporation of the State of New Mexico,

Defendants

No CV-09-35

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

Notice is hereby given that Sarah Prothro, Special Master, will on May 21, 2009, at 10:00 a.m. at the Ruidoso Village Hall, 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345, sell and convey to the highest bidder for cash all right, title and interest of Defendants Varnadore Cleaners, Inc., Jimmy D. Varnadore, Jacquelyn R. Varnadore in and to the following Real Property and Personal Property located in Lincoln County, New Mexico and described as follows:

Lot 16A, Block H-1, Tract H, PALMER GATEWAY SUBDIVISION, Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the Replat of Lots 16, 17 and 18, and the West 5.3 feet of Lot 19, Block H-1, Tract H, filed in the office of the County Clerk and Ex-officio recorder of Lincoln County, New Mexico, July 11, 1995, in Cabinet F, Slide No. 246.

With a common street address of: 204 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345."

Including all Personal Property described as follows: All Accounts and Other Rights to Payment: All right to payment, whether or not earned by performance, including, but not limited to, payment for property or services sold, leased, rented, licensed, or assigned, (this includes any rights and interests (including all liens) which Debtor may have by law or agreement against any account debtor or obligor of Debtor. Inventory: All inventory held or ultimate sale or lease, or which has been or will be supplied under contracts of service, or which are raw materials, work in process, or materials used or consumed in Debtor's business. Equipment: All equipment, including but not limited to, machinery, vehicles, furniture, fixtures, manufacturing equipment, farm machinery and equipment, shop equipment, office and record keeping equipment, parts and tools. The property includes any equipment described in a list or schedule Debtor gives to Lender, but such a list is not necessary to create a valid security interest in all of Debtor's equipment, instruments and

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Chattel Paper All instruments, including negotiable instruments and promissory notes and any other writings or records that evidence the right to payment of a monetary obligation, and tangible and electronic chattel paper General Intangibles All general intangibles including, but not limited to, tax refunds, patents and applications for patents, copyrights, trademarks, trade secrets, goodwill, trade names, customer lists, permits and franchises, payment intangibles, computer programs and all supporting information provided in connection with a transaction relating to computer programs, and the right to use Debtor's name Specific Property Description All equipment, furniture, fixtures and account receivables now owned by debtor and hereafter acquired together with all books and records of debtor, whether in paper or electronic form, relating to the equipment, furniture, fixtures and accounts receivable and proceeds This includes all accessions and appurtenances to, renewals or replace of, or substitutions for any equipment, furniture and fixtures and accounts receivables

(hereinafter the "Property")

The sale will be made pursuant to the Default and Consent Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure upon Verified Complaint for Debt and Money Due, Real Property Foreclosure, Personal Property Foreclosure and Replevin entered on April 14, 2009 which resulted from a suit to foreclose a Note, Mortgages and Security Agreement held by Plaintiff and wherein Plaintiff was adjudged to have the first and prior lien against the Property, subject only to the lien of the Village of Ruidoso on the Real Property, and was awarded judgment on Counts One, Two and Three against Defendants Jimmy D. Varnadore and Jacquelyn R. Varnadore on the Note as of March 20, 2009, for the unpaid principal balance of $174,875.74, accrued interest through March 20, 2009 of $4,530.98, late charges of $800.00, interest at the rate of 10.25% per annum until paid, at the daily rate of interest is $49.79100 per day and for reasonable attorneys' fees and costs of this suit, plus Special Master's fees, the cost of publication, costs of sale and for such other expenses, if any, such as taxes and insurance as may be incurred by Plaintiff, plus interest thereon as provided in the Mortgages and Note. The expenses of sale and fee of the Special Master shall be deducted from the sale proceeds before any satisfaction of judgment. Any party bidding its judgment, or any part thereof, may submit its bid to the Special Master, either orally or in writing, prior to the sale. All other bids must be for cash or funds in a form acceptable to the Plaintiff and must be paid by 5:00 p.m. on the day of the sale. Plaintiff may bid at the sale and may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

James A. Askew of Rodey, Dickason, Sloan, Akin & Robb, P.A., 201 Third Street, N.W., Post Office Box 1888, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103, (505) 768-7351 is the attorney for the Plaintiff. Inquiries regarding this sale may be made to James A. Askew.

/s/
Sarah Prothro,
Special Master
1044 Mechem Drive,
Ruidoso, NM 88345
Tel: (575) 258-9404

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE:

I hereby certify that I mailed a true and correct copy of the foregoing pleading, by U.S. Mail, first class postage prepaid, on this ___ day of April 2009, to the following:

Cordelia Friedman
Special Assistant
Attorney General
New Mexico Taxation & Revenue Department
Post Office Box 630
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-0630

Daniel A. Bryant
Attorney for The Village of Ruidoso
159 Mescalero Trail,

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Suite 8
Ruidoso, New Mexico 88345

RODEY, DICKASON, SLOAN, AKIN & ROBB, P.A.

James A. Askew

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING LP,

Plaintiff,

vs

DARYL BOARDMAN, if living, if deceased, THE ESTATE OF DARYL BOARDMAN, DECEASED, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES OR LEGATEES OF DARYL BOARDMAN, DECEASED, JOHN DOE and JANE DOE, (true names unknown), tenants,

Defendants

No. CV-08-388

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 20, 2009, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., the undersigned Special Master will, at the northeast entrance of the Lincoln County Court house, Carrizozo, New Mexico, sell all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 101 Second Street, Ruidoso, and is situate in Lincoln County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN AND STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

LOTS 1, 2, 3 AND 4, BLOCK H, OF RUIDOSO PINE LODGE CO. SUBDIVISION, RUIDOSO, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN BY THE PLAT THEREOF FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO RECORDER OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, ON MARCH 24, 1925.

SUBJECT TO THE PRIOR MORTGAGE of America's Whole sale Lender in the original amount of $62,000.00, recorded on November 10, 1999, in Book 205 at Page 590.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above-entitled and number ed cause on April 7, 2009, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above-described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is $23,104.23 and the same bears interest at 5.125% per annum from April 1, 2009, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be $162.20. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property subject to, the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, fixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to a one month right of redemption.

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Nick Vega,
Special Master
PO Box 383
Carrizozo, NM 88301
(505) 648-2463

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

BANK OF NEW YORK, as Trustee for the Certificateholders CWALT, Inc., Alternative Loan Trust 2005-79CB, Mortgage Pass-through Certificates, Series 2005-79CB,

Plaintiff,

vs.

DAVID F. SMITH; JOHN DOE A, JANE DOE A, JOHN DOE B and JANE DOE B, (true names unknown), tenants,

Defendants.

No. CV-08-375

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 20, 2009, at the hour of 10:10 a.m., the undersigned Special Master will, at the northeast entrance of the Lincoln County Court house, Carrizozo, New Mexico, sell all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 218 Griffith, Ruidoso Downs, and is situate in Lincoln County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

LOTS 14A, 15A AND 16A, BLOCK 5, AGUA FRIA SUBDIVISION, RUIDOSO DOWNS, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN BY THE REPLAT OF LOTS 14, 15 AND 16, BLOCK 5 AND A PART OF THE COUNTRY CLUB TRACT, AGUA FRIA SUBDIVISION, THEREOF FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO RECORDER OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, JULY 28, 2004, IN CABINET I, SLIDE NO. 102.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above-entitled and number ed cause on April 9, 2009, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is $254,226.17 and the same bears interest at 6.5% per annum from March 14, 2009, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be $3,078.57. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property subject to, the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, fixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to a one month right of redemption.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN

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TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

GREEN TREE SERVICING LLC, a foreign Limited Liability Company,

Plaintiff,

vs.

HAROLD W. PERRY, SR., GLENDA J. PERRY, FIDELITY NATIONAL TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY and STATE OF NEW MEXICO - TAXATION & REVENUE DEPARTMENT,

Defendants.

NO. CV2009-28

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE the above-entitled Court, having duly appointed a Special Master in this matter with the power to sell, has ordered me to sell the Real Estate situated in Lincoln County, New Mexico commonly known as 132 Smokey Bear Road, Capitan, New Mexico, and more fully described as

LOTS 1 AND 2, BLOCK 6, MT. CAPTAIN SUBDIVISION, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN ON THE PLAT THEREOF FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO RECORDER OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, FEBRUARY 5, 1965, IN TUBE NO 210 ("Real Estate").

And a 1997 Cavco-make, 28' X 70' Manufactured Home, serial number CAVAZLP954135X&U upon such Real Estate.

A Stipulated and Default Judgment, Decree of Foreclosure and Appointment of Special Master was entered in the above, captioned and numbered cause against the Defendants Perry on April 13, 2009.

The sale is to begin at 10:30 a.m. on May 20, 2009, at the East side entrance of the Lincoln County Court house, 300 Central, Carrizozo, New Mexico, at which time I will sell to the highest bidder for cash in the lawful currency of the United States of America, the above-described Real Estate and all improvements thereon and the above-described Manufactured Home to pay the expenses of such Stipulated and Default Judgment, Decree of Foreclosure and Appointment of Special Master referred to above, and to satisfy the Judgment in favor of Plaintiff in the total amount of $92,229.46, including interest to the date of the Foreclosure Sale. At such sale, the Plaintiff may become the purchaser of the property being sold, or part thereof, and may apply all or part of the Judgment to the bid, should it be the highest bidder.

Any purchaser at such sale must pay, in cash or an unconditional, irrevocable letter of credit issued upon a financial institution and in a form acceptable to me.

NICK VEGA
Special Master
PO Box 383
Carrizozo, NM 88301
Phone: 575-648-2463

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CITY OF RUIDOSO DOWNS

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ADOPT

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 2009-05

Notice is hereby given that the Governing Body of the City of Ruidoso Downs shall conduct a Public Hearing at the regular meetings scheduled for Tuesday May 26, 2009 to commence at 6:30 pm., City Hall Hubbard Room, 122 Downs Drive, Ruidoso Downs for adopting the following Ordinance.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 4 TITLED "DEPARTMENTS" ARTICLE 4 SEWER DEPARTMENT SECTIONS DEFINITIONS AND SECTION 7 PROHIBITED DISCHARGE OF THE CITY OF RUIDOSO CODE OF ORDINANCES.

ARTICLE 4 SEWER DEPARTMENT

4-4-1 Definitions
4-4-7 Prohibited Discharge

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Copies of Proposed Ordinance No. 2009-05 on file in the office of the City Clerk and are available for public review Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 am. and 5:00 pm.

Carol Virden, MMC
City Clerk/Treasurer

#8604 4T (5)8,15,22,29

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

FLAGSTAR BANK, FSB,

Plaintiff,

vs.

PAT R. HERRERA, if living, if deceased, THE ESTATE OF PAT R. HERRERA, Deceased, THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND LEGATEES OF PAT R. HERRERA, Deceased, TRACI R. HERRERA, STATE NATIONAL BANK, TAXATION and REVENUE DEPARTMENT of the STATE of NEW MEXICO, JOHN DOE and JANE DOE, (true names unknown), Tenants,

Defendants.

No. CV-08-296

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on June 3, 2009, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., the undersigned Special Master will, at the northeast entrance of the Lincoln County Court house, Carrizozo, New Mexico, sell all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located at 504 Turkey Canyon which may also be known as 506 Turkey Canyon, (if there is any discrepancy between the Property address and the legal description, the legal description shall control) Ruidoso Downs, and is situate in Lincoln County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows:

A PART OF TRACT NO 9, MOUNTAIN HOME SUBDIVISION, RUIDOSO DOWNS, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN BY THE PLAT THEREOF FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO RECORDER OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, ON SEPTEMBER 3, 1946 MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO-WIT:

BEGINNING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF TRACT 9 MOUNTAIN HOME SUBDIVISION FOR THE POINT OF BEGINNING, THENCE SOUTH 100.0 FEET, MORE OR LESS; THENCE WEST 140 FEET, MORE OR LESS; THENCE NORTH 100.0 FEET, MORE OR LESS; THENCE EAST 140 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING

and all improvements, including, but not limited to, the manufactured home attached thereto and more particularly described as a 2002 Silv DW, VIN SCH01026261AB.

THE FOREGOING SALE will be made to satisfy a judgment rendered by the above Court in the above entitled and numbered cause on April 16, 2009, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's Judgment, which includes interest and costs, is $92,796.92 and the same bears interest at 7.0000% per annum from April 1, 2009, to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be $1,138.99. The Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment to the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorneys disclaim all

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responsibility for, and the purchaser at the sale takes the property subject to, the valuation of the property by the County Assessor as real or personal property, fixture of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation of title to a mobile or manufactured home on the property, if any, environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the purchaser at such sale shall take title to the above described real property subject to a one month right of redemption.

Nick Vega,
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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Competitive sealed proposals to provide Legal Services will be received by The City of Ruidoso Downs, P.O. Box 348, Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346 for RFP # 09-01.

The City of Ruidoso Downs is requesting competitive sealed proposals to provide Legal Services.

Proposals will be received at City of Ruidoso Downs City Hall located at 122 Downs Drive, Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346 until 4:30 p.m., Tuesday, June 2, 2009. Submitted proposals shall not be publicly opened. Any proposals received after closing time will be rejected and returned unopened. The fact that a proposal was dispatched will not be considered.

Copies of the Request can be obtained in person at the office of the Purchasing Officer at 122 Downs Drive or will be mailed upon written or telephone request to Terri Mosley, Purchasing Officer, at 575-378-4422.

The City of Ruidoso Downs reserves the right to reject any and/or all proposals and waive all informalities as deemed in the best interest of the City.

Terri Mosley
City of Ruidoso Downs
Purchasing Officer

#8609 4T (5)8,15,22,29

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO

MOREQUITY, INC., a corporation,

Plaintiff,

vs.

CORRINE CHAVEZ, JOHN DOE CHAVEZ, her husband, CORINA P. GRIJALVA CHAVEZ, JOHN DOE CHAVEZ, her husband, ELIZABETH WEBER a/k/a ELIZABETH ANN WEBER, a married woman dealing in her sole and separate estate, and ANY ALL TENANTS RESIDING IN OR UPON THE REAL PROPERTY CONCERNED WITH HEREIN and ANY AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN AND TO THE SUBJECT REAL PROPERTY ADVERSE TO THE PLAINTIFF,

Defendants.

No. CV 09 36

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 5th day of June 2009 at the hour of 10:00 a.m., at the Ruidoso Municipal Court, 421 Wingfield Street, Ruidoso, New Mexico, the undersigned as the Court appointed Special Master, will offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder or bidders, for cash, the following described real estate situate in Lincoln County, State of New Mexico, to-wit:

Lot 13, Block 5, Airport West, Ruidoso, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the Plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk and Ex-Officio Recorder of Lincoln County, New Mexico, September 1, 1970, in Tube 383.

the property address of the above described real property being 107 Skyline, Ruidoso, New Mexico; 88345, such sale to be held pursuant to and in accordance with the Final Judgment

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and Decree filed in the above entitled cause to foreclose a Mortgage on the 22nd day of April 2009, wherein the Plaintiff, MOREQUITY, INC., was granted judgment over and against the real property and improvements described therein in the total amount of $59,193.13 which Judgment is a first mortgage lien encumbrance, and which amount includes all of Plaintiff's reasonable attorney fees, tax and costs to date, and expenses of the Special Master, costs of publication and sale of the real estate, but does not include keeping the real estate and all improvements thereon insured, paying taxes and assessments upon said real estate, if necessary, and all additional amounts paid for making all other payments, charges, costs and expenses that may be incident to the conservation, preservation and maintenance of the real estate, if necessary, and making all other payments, charges, costs and expenses that may be incident to the conservation, preservation and maintenance of the real estate involved in this action, including all improvements thereon, together with interest thereon, which amounts may be added to said Judgments at the time of the foreclosure sale or reinstatement.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the real property and improvements concerned with herein will be sold subject to any and all patent reservations, easements, all recorded and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes and that may be due.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that should the Plaintiff, MOREQUITY, INC., bid and/or become the purchaser of said real estate and improvements at the foreclosure sale, it may use any part of its Judgment granted herein as credit against the purchase price should it be the highest bidder, and the purchaser at the foreclosure sale, shall be entitled to immediate possession of the real property and improvements more particularly described in the Final Judgment and Decree.

NOTICE IS FINALLY GIVEN that the Special Master may continue the Special Master Sale from time to time if necessary without republishing the Notice of Sale so long as the Special Master appears at the designated time scheduled for said Special Master's Sale and announces the postponement thereof to another specific date.

SARAH PROTHRO
Special Master
P.O. Box 2129
Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346

#8610 1T (5)8

Members of the public are invited to provide comment on hearings for the issuance of or transfer of liquor licenses as outlined below. All hearings will be conducted at the NM Alcohol and Gaming Division Offices on the date specified in the Toney Anaya Building, 2550 Cerrillos Road, 2nd Floor, Santa Fe, New Mexico. The Hearing Officer for this Application is Theresa Varela who can be contacted at the address above or at Theresa.Varela@state.nm.us.

Application #A-597549 for the Issuance of a Restaurant Liquor License on May 18, 2009 at 9:00 a.m.: Disco Taco Inc., located at 141 Highway 70, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico.

#8611 1T (5)8

CITY OF RUIDOSO DOWNS

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ADOPT

ORDINANCE No. 2009-04

Notice is hereby given that the Governing Body of the City of Ruidoso Downs shall conduct a Public Hearing during the regular meeting scheduled on Tuesday May 26,2009, 2009 to commence at 6:30 pm., City Hall Hubbard Room, 122 Downs Drive, Ruidoso Downs for adopting the following

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Ordinance.

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF RUIDOSO DOWNS ("BORROWER") TO ENTER INTO A LOAN/GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW MEXICO ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT ("NMED") FOR THE PURPOSE OF OBTAINING WASTEWATER CONSTRUCTION LOAN AND GRANT FUNDS IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $3,000,000.00; DESIGNATING THE USE OF THE FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACQUIRING, CONSTRUCTING, MODIFYING AND OTHER WISE IMPROVING THE WASTEWATER FACILITIES OF THE BORROWER'S JOINT REGIONAL WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEM; DECLARING THE NECESSITY FOR THE LOAN/GRANT; PROVIDING THAT THE LOAN WILL BE PAYABLE AND COLLECTIBLE SOLELY FROM THE 1/8TH % MUNICIPAL INFRASTRUCTURE GROSS RECEIPTS TAX ("MIGRT"); PRESCRIBING OTHER DETAILS CONCERNING THE LOAN/GRANT AND THE SECURITY THEREFOR; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Copies of Ordinance No. 2009-04 are on file in the office of the City Clerk and are available for public review Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 am. and 5:00 pm.

/s/
Carol Virden, MMC
City Clerk/Treasurer

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NON-DESCRIMINATION STATEMENT

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#8613 3T (5)8,15,22

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

DENA ODELL,

Plaintiff,

vs.

Class 1: PATSY DOBBS; WAYLAND DOBBS; AND BRANT MILLER;

Class 2: BRAD L. DROTTS; SAM ROSS SLOAN, III; and

Class 3: ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS OF INTEREST IN THE PREMISES ADVERSE TO PLAINTIFFS;

Defendants.

No. D 1226 CV 2009 00133

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION TO QUIET TITLE

TO: ALL UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS OF INTEREST IN THE PREMISES ADVERSE TO PLAINTIFF

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED, pursuant to Rules 1-004(J) and (K)(2) NMRA 2009, that a Complaint to Quiet Title has been filed in the Twelfth Judicial District Court, Lincoln County, New Mexico, by Dena Odell ("Odell"). Plaintiff Dena Odell is the owner in fee simple and in possession of an undivided interest in the following described Premises situated in Lincoln County, New Mexico:

NE/4 SW/4 and a strip

Legal Notices 152

4 rods wide on the South side of the SE/4 NW/4 of Section 32, Township 6 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M., Lincoln County, New Mexico.

The purpose of this suit is to quiet title on the real property described above.

You are hereby directed to serve a pleading or motion in response to the Complaint to Quiet Title within thirty (30) days after publication of this Notice, and file the same, all as provided by law. You are notified that, unless you so serve and file a responsive pleading or motion, the Plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

Attorneys for Plaintiff: SUTIN, THAYER & BROWNE, P.C.

Address:
C. Shannon Bacon
Sutin, Thayer & Browne
Two Park Square, Suite 1000
6565 Americas Parkway, N.E.
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87110
(505) 883-2500
Fax: (505) 888-6565

PLEASE DO NOT CONTACT THE COURT OR THE CLERK'S OFFICE FOR INFORMATION.

/s/
Gloria LaMay

Dated: April 29, 2009

By Order of the Twelfth Judicial District Court for the County of Lincoln, New Mexico

jobs 200-232

Employment 204

Lincoln County Detention Center is accepting applications for

PT Food Service Asst.
$8.25 per hr.

Detention Officers
$9.50 per hr.

FT RN
$24.00 per hr.

100% Medical Benefit for Full Time employees.

Apply at the Lincoln County Detention Center or mail resumes to: P.O. Box 339 511 Hangar Lane Carrizozo, NM 88301
EOE

Need to sell some thing? Phone Ruidoso News Classifieds at 257-4001

Gen. Help Wanted 224

CAMERA OPERATORS NEEDED
For Ruidoso Downs
Thurs-Sun Approx 22hr./wk
Starts $8.50 w/potential for performance.
Trident Network Services
800-424-7296

Customer Service Representative
for extremely busy insurance agency. Prior experience in financial services or real estate/mortgage business would be helpful. Superior communications skills are absolutely required. Apply in person at Farmers Insurance Agency 500 Mechem Dr, Suite B

Ramada Inn needs Front Desk Clerk. Apply at 2191 Hwy 70

Gen. Help Wanted 224

MICHELENA'S

IS NOW HIRING SERVERS, BUSSERS, COOKS, AND DISHWASHERS. APPLY WITHIN. NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE.

Gen. Help Wanted 224

Now Hiring

Cooks & Cashiers
Lincoln County Grill

2712 Sudderth

Ruidoso News on line at www.ruidosonews.com

Experienced COOK Needed! Apply in person at LOG CABIN Restaurant, 1074 Mechem

General

SWISS CHALET
Under New Management.
NOW HIRING
1451 Mecham Dr.

Great Wall of China Restaurant is now hiring servers, host & bussers. Please apply in person at 2913 Sudderth Dr.

Need experienced server and cook. Apply in person @ Smokey Bear Restaurant, Capitan.

Gen. Help Wanted 224

Now hiring at End of the Vine Retail sales must be able to lift 40lb. send resume or apply with in 2801 Sudderth

Now interviewing experienced sous Chefs 2+ years fine dining exp., competitive salary resume and ref. req.. to: wpg po box 2864 Ruidoso Nm 88355

Reliable towing looking for a night driver. at least 2 yrs ex. Clean driving record. NO CDL required. 973-0510 call anytime.

Child Care 228

Christian Child Care
Fun-loving home, activities & meals provided, also have 12 yrs. exp. $85 per week.
call Monique @ **378-5678**

Employment Wanted 230

Laborer wants any kind of work. Lot cleaning etc. Reasonable. Call Steve, 257-2774 7pm-8pm

Public/Special Notices 114

Karen's Korner
Located at Midtown Emporium at Sudderth & Eagle
575-491-3666

- Selection of Large to X-large T-shirts & blouses.
- Extensive selection of lampwork, sterling silver earrings, bracelets & necklaces.
- Unique collection of Lampwork landscape pendants
- One of a kind Geisha dolls pendants.

financials
239-250

rentals
300-383

PUBLISHER'S NOTICE
All real estate advertised here-in is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act, which makes it illegal to advertise any preference, limitation, or discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, or national origin, or intention to make any such preference, limitation, or discrimination." We will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. All persons are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised are available on an equal opportunity basis.

EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY

Rooms for Rent 304

Upper Canyon! Private. Micro/frig. No cooking facilities. No Smoking. $475/mo. $250/dep. Util includ. 575-430-7877

Room &Bath util pd,cable$400/mo., + $300/dep. 378-8163 Pet OK. non-smokers Private

Roommate Wanted 305

COTTAGE CENTRAL
616 Sudderth
Studio Cabin
$595 month or low weekly rate.
All utilities pd.
575-257-2576

Mobile Home Rental 308

Small 1 BR/1 BA, fenced yard, nice area. 172A N. Oak .$375/mo.+ dep. 937-0381

OWN YOUR OWN LUXARY HOME Airstream Trailer in Adult Only Recreation Village. Trailer & space lease $400/mo. 258-4568

Mobile Home Rental 308

Rent to Own. 4 different 1 bd. mobiles. Lot rent plus lease. $1,200 to $4,400. Some requirements. 257-0872

For Rent 3BR/ 1 BA wd hookup nice area, covered decks, extra storage, non-smoking, cats OK. $650/mo, $650 dep. 808-1428

3 bd, 2 ba; 2 bd, 2 ba; 2 bd, 1 ba mobile homes. Water, gar. & sew pd. On river near Wal-mart. 915-526-8326. After 4. 378-7099

Doublewide, 3 bd, 2 ba. Loc. in Glencoe. $600/mo. 575-644-7957 or 653-4520.

6th MONTH FREE. 1 bd trailers for rent from $300. Centrally located. Ref. req. 257-0872

Furn. Apts. - General 314

AFFORDABLE RENTALS
Convenient locations.
Efficiencies - 1 or 2 bedrooms, furnished or unfurnished units.
Weekly, monthly or long-term. Bills paid. No Pets.
575-937-8905
575-257-4058

Remodeled eff.near down town incl cable hottub,Internet 425.mo. 575-630.0545

Efficiency apt. great mid-town location. Furnished, bills paid, no pets call 575-937-0487

Newly Remodeled 1& 2 Bd Apartments bills paid, Free cable no pets furnished, 575-937-0487

Furn. Apts. - General 314

Lg. efficiency apts. fold down beds, walk in closets, separate lg kitchen, w/pantry, furn., utilities included, $475.-500. , plus dep. Behind suds & duds, Ruidoso Downs, 973-0165.378-4498 No pets

2 room,2ba apt upper Canyon $550.00 including util. 550. dep 937-7956

Unfurn. Apts. - General 328

NOW LEASING
LADERA APARTMENTS
378-5262
NO INCOME RESTRICTIONS
1 BED-$424
2 BED, 2 BATH-$512
3 BED, 2 BATH-$577
6 MO Lease•Sec Dep •App Fee
Office Open Mon-Wed-Fri

1 bd, 1.ba. Apt, spectacular view, extra clean, new carpet, fp, No Pets. Quiet setting on Mechem. $500/mo. 575-491-8087

To place a classified ad phone 257-4001

1 bd aprt.$400 incl util in Nogal great view yard, independent 354-0315

El Capitan Apartments.
Large 1 & 2 Bedroom apartments, long or short term lease. $450 $550/month. Convenient Village location. School System Walking distance. 354-0967

309 Carters Lane
1Bd/1 Ba water & gas paid. $600 mo-$500 deposit. Close to Mid town. 937-2494 NO PETS!!

Unfurn. Apts. - General 328

Brand new 2 bdr apartment for rent, 1 1/2 bth no pets, $700/mth. 937-5303.

Wonderful Bachelor Apt. Newly remodeled. $750/mo All util pd. $750/dep. Call Sandy at All American Realty 937-4656

UNFURNISHED & 1-2 BEDROOM APARTMENTS; BILLS PAID. NO PETS. 258-3111.

Townhouses/ Condominiums 342

Lux Town house 1 level easy access 2/1.5 fully furn. Mountain view w/ hot tub a/c 432-967-2187

2-2 Furnished Condo for the season. $1000/mo bills pd. Available after 5/10. A+ Realty. 258-4574

220 Paridise cayon 2/1 fully furn. $395mo +300. deposit 505-350-4412 or 575-257-4272

$125,500 3 bedroom, 3 full bath. Owner Agent. AMOR REAL ESTATE, DAN BOLIN, 937-0600

CONDO FOR LEASE 3/3,FPL, Creek view Ski run, Alto. $900 MO+util Lety505 937-2803.

Promise Land Condo furn or unfurn 2/1.5,w/d, util. incl.973-0833

Newer 3 bd, 2.5 ba in Cree Meadows. 1 car garage, furn, w/d. Walking dis. to town. 6 mo. lease. 602-300-1010 leave message

Furnished Houses 350

3bed 2ba $800/mo $300 Dep. & bills, only water paid. NO PETS. Location # 307 Carrizo Canyon Dr. Ruidoso call 336 1798 OR 378 4824.

Beautiful Santa Fe Style LG. Master BD, Whirl Pool, 2 Kiva FPL, 2 guest Rm. BAth $1900. MO 937-6601

Charming 3 bd, 2 ba, Alto CC house, w/great views. $1,200 + ult. 813-675-7528

Unfurn. Home - General 352

Very nice 2,085 sq ft home; 3 bdr, 2 bath, lg family den fenced in on 6.81 acres with barn and corrals, 1 mi out of Carrizozo. $850.00 a month plus utilities. $500.00 deposit. No smoking, No pets. Horses ok. 505-350-4412 or 575-257-4272.

Ruidoso News 257-4001

3 Bd. 2 ba. home. Available May 1st. MUST SEE!
www.altorentalhomes.com
(575) 808-2860

FOR RENT VERY NICE NEWLY REMODELED 3/2 LARGE COVERED DECK ON NICE LARGE LOT $795.00 A MO. $500.00 DEPOSIT. WE PAY WATER,SEWER & GARBAGE. NO SMOKING NO PETS 102 EDWARD OFF GAVILAN CYN RD. 575-257-4272 OR 505-350-4412

Spacious stucco 1700 sq. ft 3/2, FP, views, garage 975/mth 378-4159.

Unfurn. Home - General 352

220 Paridise cayon 2/1 fully furn. $395mo +300. deposit 505-350-4412 or 575-257-4272

House for rent. $1100 per month. Call Joe Zagone Century 21 Aspen 808-0282 or 257-9057

House for rent in Alto Cafe area. 2 bd, 2 ba, beautiful setting. No smoking. $675/mo. $500/dep. 575-430-7877

Carrizozo. Charming 2 bd home w/seperate living, dining, sun room, kitchen, & lovely yd. New Appliances. $490/mo + util. 505-438-9809 or 505-983-0483

SPACIOUS TOWN HOUSE, 3/2 AND 2/2, MOVE IN SPECIAL , TULAROSA, $ 795+, 915-440-1194

Wilderness Rental w/corrals. Sleeps 2 to 20 people. Nightly or weekly. 575-937-1745

Alto Modular 3 BR, 2 BA, Remodeled 1/2 Acre, wood stove, Deck, new appliances + WD $925+ Utilities $700 Deposit Credit & Reference Check. 937-3194 10a-8p.

For Rent. 2 bd, 1 ba, unfurn. Cabin. Fenced back yd, $700/mo + util. + 1 mo. dep. 2BD furn cabin $850.mo dep500.00 808-0157

3/1 new carpet, w/d fenced yard no pets $725. wtrpd mo.+ dep 937-8977/937-1409

Unfurn. Home - General 352

Charming 1 bedroo. 600 sq ft house, patio, carport. $400/mo. 378-4159

Need to sell something? Phone Ruidoso News Classifieds at 257-4001

Secluded very lg. 3/2 Manufactured home separate DR, huge master bd. enormous great room w/ fpl, $800.mo $800.dep. 378-8867

101 Bewley off Carrizozo Canyon Rd. 3/2, nice area, clean, mex. tile, laund. rm, fp, cen. heat. 973-1743

Need to sell something? Phone 257-4001 Ruidoso News Classifieds

4BD, 3.5 Bath 2car garage, hugeSB view on 10 acres $2,600/mo Call Mark 937-1341

Need to sell something? Phone Ruidoso News Classifieds at 257-4001

Small 1 bdrm trailers for rent. You pay util. Start at $300 up. Ref req. Centrally located. 257-0872

Public/Special Notices 114

MESCALERO Apache SCHOOL

Mescalero Apache School is seeking bids for transportation of its students for school year 2009-10. The school seeks a complete bid that covers cost to transport approximately 500 students to and from school in the morning and afternoon. The bid should include bus driver costs, mileage, fuel, repair, and other costs associated with transporting students for approximately 180 days. The school currently contracts for 8 regular education buses and one special education bus with a lift.

Bids should be submitted for total cost per year and per day.

Submit bids and questions to:
Dr. J. Charles Harrison, Supt.
Mescalero Apache School
Box 230
Mescalero, NM 88340

Bids are due before 2 p.m. on May 15

Public/Special Notices 114

MESCALERO Apache SCHOOL

Mescalero Apache School is seeking bids for delivery of propane for school year 2009-10. The school seeks a complete bid that covers cost to transport propane to the school on as-needed basis and regarddless of weather or road conditions. The bid should be all inclusive for charges up to 10,000 gallons per delivery per month from November through April. Bids should be submitted for total cost per month. Bids should also include a clause for extra transportation of propant in emergency or needed purposes.

Delivery requirements include that the driver will meet a MAS employee before dispensing fuel and will submit an invoice for amount of gallons, cost per gallon, and total cost before leaving the premises.

Submit bids and questions to:
Dr. J. Charles Harrison, Supt.
Mescalero Apache School
Box 230
Mescalero, NM 88340

Bids are due before 2 p.m. on May 22

Gen. Help Wanted 224

MESCALERO Apache SCHOOL

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Mescalero Apache School is looking for qualified applicants for the following positions:

- K-5 Teachers
- Teacher Assistant (A.A. Required)
- Special Education Teacher
- Math Tutors (A.A. Required)
- Reading Tutors (A.A. Required)
- Physical Therapist
- Apache Language Teacher

POSITIONS ARE OPEN UNTIL FILLED

*****All Certified positions and Coaching positions require a valid license from the NM Public Education Department.*
*****All positions require background checks and clearance from any criminal charges prior to employment.*
*****Selection for employment will be based on the Mescalero Apache Tribal Ordinance 06-02*

For additional information and application:
Mescalero Apache School
Personnel Office
P.O. Box 230; 249 White Mountain Drive
Mescalero, NM 88340
Phone: (575) 464-4431 Fax: (575) 464-4822

Gen. Help Wanted 224

BILLY THE KID CASINO & RUIDOSO DOWNS RACE TRACK IS CURRENTLY ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR SEASONAL FULL-TIME, SEASONAL PART-TIME, AND YEAR ROUND FULL-TIME POSITIONS

FOOD & BEVERAGE
- CONCESSIONS (16yrs & up) • WAITER(S) - WAITRESS(ES)
- BARTENDER(S) • BUS PERSON(S)

TRACK OPERATIONS
PARI-MUTUEL TELLERS (18yrs & up)

DEADLINE: Applications are being accepted immediately. These positions will be filled at the end of May.

INFORMATION: For information regarding job qualifications, please call (505) 378-4431.

HOW TO APPLY: Applications are available at the Receptionist Desk located on the 2nd floor of the Executive Offices.

PAY: Competitive Wages - Salary/Hourly Pay varies depends upon position applying for and experience relation to that position.

RUIDOSO DOWNS RACE TRACK & CASINO IS A DRUG - FREE WORK ENVIRONMENT AS WELL AS AN EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Gen. Help Wanted 224

HONDO VALLEY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
FACULTY VACANCY NOTICE
2009-2010 SCHOOL YEAR

Elementary Teacher Grade 3

Minimum Requirements:
NM Elementary Teaching License Bilingual preferred but not necessary

Send letter of interest with request for application to

Cindy Gomez
Administrative Assistant
Hondo Valley Public Schools
P.O. Box 55
Hondo, NM 88336
505-653-4411

The Hondo Valley Public Schools is an equal employment opportunity employer and does not discriminate on the basis of sexual orientation, race, color, age, gender or nationality

Gen. Help Wanted 224

Cashiers

$7.55 hourly. Temporary positions from the end of May - August. Must be 16 years of age or older. Applications accepted until position is filled. Complete job description and applications at

The Village of Ruidoso
313 Cree Meadows Dr. Ruidoso, NM 88345
Phone 258-4343 or 1-877-700-4343
Fax 258-5848
Website www.ruidoso-nm.gov
"Drugfree Workplace" EEOE.

Gen. Help Wanted 224

VACANCY NOTICE

Capitan Municipal Schools Employment Vacancy:

Custodian

High School Diploma or GED
Must Pass Background Check
Must Pass Physical Exam

Application Deadline: Until Filled

For detailed information and application please call 575-354-8500 or download from web page at
www.capitan.k12.nm.us

Gen. Help Wanted 224

ENMU-Ruidoso

Eastern New Mexico University - Ruidoso is recruiting well-qualified applicants for the following full-time positions:

- **Distance Education Program Coordinator & Instructor**
Includes Generous Benefit Package.

To review a full description, qualifications and application procedures go to www.ruidoso.enmu.edu
inquire at 257-2120 or toll free (800) 934-ENMU
An AA/EEO Employer

Gen. Help Wanted 224

Head Lifeguard

Salary $900 hourly. Temporary position from end of May - August. Must be 16 years of age or older. Applications accepted until position is filled. Complete job description and application at

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Fax 258-5848
Website www.ruidoso-nm.gov
"Drugfree Workplace" EEOE.

Gen. Help Wanted 224

Lifeguards

Salary $8.50 hourly. Temporary positions from the end of May-August. Must be 16 years of age or older. Applications accepted until Position is filled. Complete job description and applicants at

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Fax 258-5848
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Gen. Help Wanted 224

Water/Wastewater Maintenance Worker

Salary $10.62 hourly. Competitive benefit package included (vacation, sick retirement & insurance). Applications accepted until position is filled. Complete job description and applications at

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Rental Service 300

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www.PrudentialLynchRealty.com
RENTALS

HOUSES:
556 GAVILAN CYN UNF. 3BDR,2BA $1400/mo + utilities or $1200/mo w/ year lease
103 WEST : UNF 2BDR 2BA Fire place & deck No pets $750/mo w/ 1 yr lease + utilities
111 FIR : UNF 2BDR 2 BA w large utility room $750/mo + utilities
103 ENCANTO ROAD UNF 3 BDR/2BA & 2CG Washer & dryer hook-ups
6 month lease $1200 per month + utilities On the market Subject to showing w/ a lawful 30-day notice Month to Month ONLY
114 TONTO DRIVE FUR 2BDR 2 BA + garage w/ peaceful views & hot tub $1500/mo (w/ long term lease) + utilities
245 EAGLE CREEK CYN RD Partually FUR 4BDR 3.5BA + 3CG Situated on almost 8 acres with fabulous views 4 fireplaces including outside patio Tile throughout $2000/mo + utilities On the market Subject to showing w/ a lawful 30-day notice Month to Month ONLY
124 BOOTHILL UNF 2BDR 2BA Covered deck 24 X 24 detached garage Court yard Property fenced Woodstove Radiant in floor heat $1200/mo + utilities
176 JUNIPER UNF 2BDR 1.5BA L-shaped living area Separate utility room $700/mo + utilities
197 WOLF CREEK RD UNF 3BDR,2BA on 2.2 acres Bright and sunny open floor plan Horses allowed Over sized 2CG &covered deck Pets allowed w/ deposit $1400.00/mo + utilities Owner Agent On the market Subject to showing w/ a lawful 30-day notice Month to Month ONLY
184 MIRA MONTE: UNF 3BDR 2 3/4BA 1 level 2CG $1500/mo + utilities

MANUFACTURED:
1218 LITTLE BIG HORN RD -FUR 3BDR 2BA modular home $875/mo + utilities
561 ENCHANTED FOREST: -UNF 3BDR 2BA dblwide $825/mo + utilities
481 PARADISE CANYON -FUR 3BDR 2 BA manufactured home $1400/mo includes utilities

CABINS
103 MUSKET COURT - FUR 2BDR 1.5 BA cabin in the Cedar Creek area $1000/mo + utilities
323 HEATH - FUR 3 BDR 2.5 BA cabin Lg flat & wooded lot w/ a nice uncovered deck $975/mo + utilities Available 5.24.09 On the market Subject to showing w/a lawful 30-day notice Month to Month ONLY
105 EVANS - UNF 2 BDR/1 full & 1 BA on the river Washer/Dryer & gas log fireplace $1200/mo + utilities Owner/Agent

CONDOS:
THE SPRINGS #31 - FUR 2BDR 2 BA stand alone Condo $1650/mo (w/ 6 mo or more lease) includes utilities
THE SPRINGS #15 - UNF 3 BDR 3BA $1100/mo + utilities
BIG PINE LODGE #16 - UNF 2 BDR 1BA Condo $700/mo plus $150 utilities

COMMERCIAL:
2900 SUDDERTH 2 separate office spaces in high traffic location $500/mo + utilities each

257-4011 • 800-530-4597
View these rentals at: www.ruidosorelo.com/longtermrentals

Employment 204

Southeast NM Community Action Corporation

Fiscal Director

An administrative and professional position. Responsibilities include supervision of department staff, planning and oversight of financial systems and policy, budgeting, oversight of the annual audit; contract management, cash flow and computerized fund accounting including financial statements.

SNMCAC is a multi-funded governmental entity, which manages various planning and assistance grants, which are state or federally funded.

$45,000 – $55,000 per year
(Depending on experience and qualifications)
Full time position (4 day work week!!)

Attractive Benefit Package

REVIEW DEADLINE ~ MAY 11, 2009
Position Will Remain Open Until Filled
Contact April Hernandez at ahernandez@snmcac.org for job description and application.
SNMCAC is an EEOE

Gen. Help Wanted 224

CASHIER

Global Cash Access, Inc. has immed. openings at the Ruidoso Downs Casino check cashing booth in Ruidoso Downs, NM. Resp. include processing CC cash advance, check cashing, & Western Union transactions. 6 mos cash handling exp. & HS diploma or GED req'd. Must be avail nights & wknds. Xlnt bnfts. Drug test & bkgd check req'd. Apply at www.gcainc.com and email resume to mdavis@gcamail.com

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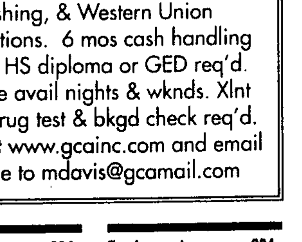

Bring Caring to Life

Casa Arena Blanca Nursing Center, 117-bed long-term care facility, is currently searching for caring and dedicated individuals to join its clinical team.

RNs • LPNs • CNAs
Mon-Fri, no weekends!

Medical Records Clerk
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We offer competitive salaries and benefits packages. Please contact:
Michelle Lane
Recruiting Coordinator
Email: michelle.lane@fundltc.com
Fax: 410-773-5605,
Toll-free: 877-447-9000 ext 3
EOE/DFW

www.fundltc.com

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$329,000

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2BR / 2 1/2 BA
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Ann Hearn-Butler, Qualifying Broker
146 Geneva • 575-258-3589

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1& 2 BR Furnished & Unfurnished Condos. Utilities Included.
257-2511

Homes - General 412

2 bd, 1 ba Cabin w/basement. Everything included (appliances, linens, furn., etc.) $149,900. 103 Spotted Owl Rd., Ruidoso.
Cabin 575-257-6996
H - 325-646-8400,
C - 325-647-9830

Townhouses/ Condominiums 408

Condo for Rent

2 bed, 1 bath, unfurnished, 900 sq. feet, updated, fans, elec. Air, patio, $1000 per month, all paid: water, sewer, garbage, elec., gas, Direct T.V., internest service, local phone service, swimming pool, hot tub, yard service, $400 deposit, no pets, 575-644-7434 available June 1st.

Garage/Yard/Estate Sales 628

★★★★ **SALE** ★★★★

At BACKDOOR. 2808 Sudderth Dr.

Up to 70% off store merchandise and 70% of store prices reduced. There will be FURNITURE (antique and new), LIGHTING (antique and new), ITALIAN BEDDING (new, in stock or custom ordered.)
And there will be REFRESHMENTS all day, and newer REFRESHMENTS FROM 4-6.

BACKDOOR-2808 SUDDERTH DR.
SATURDAY ONLY- MAY 9

Garage/Yard/Estate Sales 628

ESTATE SALE
Bonito Falls Café
May 8th, 9th & 11th • 775 Bonito Lake Road

Household furnishings, hide-a-bed & love seat, 2 antique desks, dressers & mirrors, tools, saws, drills, air compressors, doors, windows, lock sets, cases of wine glasses, wood stove, power washers, apartment size refrigerator, electric water heater (never used), electric range, airless paint sprayer, coffee table/glass top, settee table marble top, hydraulic lift chair. All Kinds of Stuff!!

Garage/Yard/Estate Sales 628

LIONEL LIPPMAN
Memorial Estate Sale
Rare and Unusual Art and Antiques

Fri., May 15, 2009 2pm-7pm
Sat., May 16, 2009 2pm-7pm

107 S. Lincoln (Hwy 48) Capitan, NM

Dealers Encouraged
Display Cases included,
(Cash, checks, NO credit cards, please)

www.ruidosonews.com

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CONTROLLER

The Farmington Daily-Times, a division of MediaNews Group, is seeking a qualified Controller to manage the financial and accounting operations that serve the daily newspaper and various other non-daily products. This individual will conduct local and month-end close, record adjusting journal entries, verify remote journal entries and prepare variance reports; coordinate the annual budget process, as well as weekly, monthly and quarterly forecasts; prepare and analyze monthly financial statements and month-end statistical reports; maintain all aspects of the general ledger, including preparation/review of all reconciliations and verify journal entries are accurate; direct the day-to-day business office functions for the local site.

The successful candidate will have a Bachelor's degree from a four-year college in accounting/finance with a strong knowledge of GAAP, a proven record of strong leadership skills, strong work ethic, advanced computer skills, excellent written and verbal communication skills and a minimum five years accounting management experience. Masters degree and/or CPA certification a plus. Newspaper experience is preferred but not required.

In addition to a competitive salary, the Farmington Daily Times offers excellent benefits including medical, dental, vision, and life insurance. Our concern is for the health and safety of our employees; therefore we offer a smoke-free environment and conduct pre-employment drug testing.

If interested, please send confidential resume and salary requirements to:

El Paso Times
Attn: Human Resources Director, TNP
300 N. Campbell
El Paso, TX 79901
hr@elpasotimes.com

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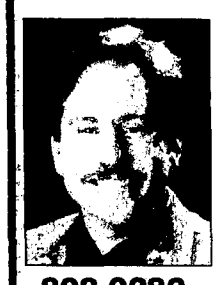

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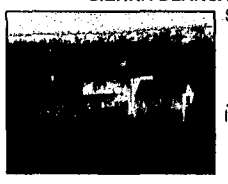

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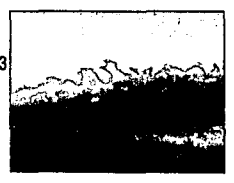

Custom home by premier bldr. Quiet secluded retreat. In floor heat, A.C. 4275 square ft gorgeous home with soaring ceilings, shop/garages. 1700 SF covered brick patios, water storage, great well. $784,950. MLS# 104511
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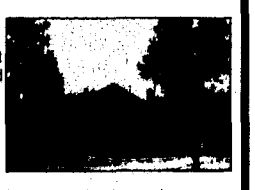

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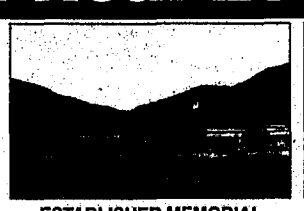

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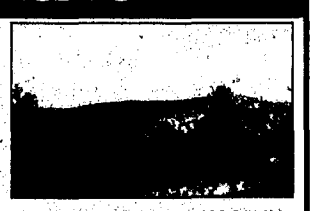

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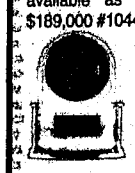

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Owner Financing, flat lot with all utilities $21,000 MLS 104097. AMOR REALTY, DAN BOLIN, 937-0600.

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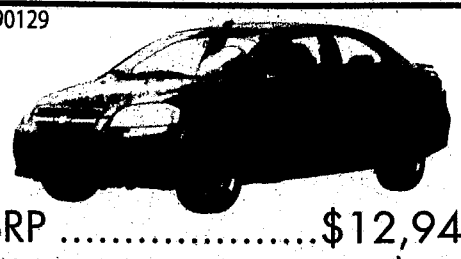

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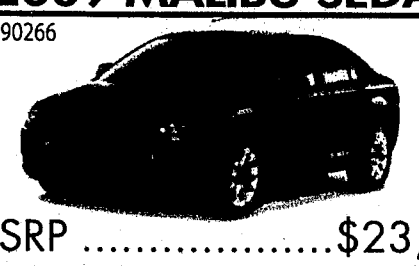

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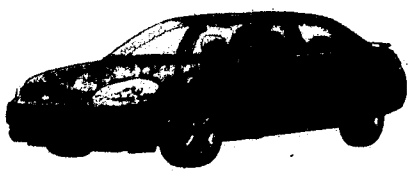

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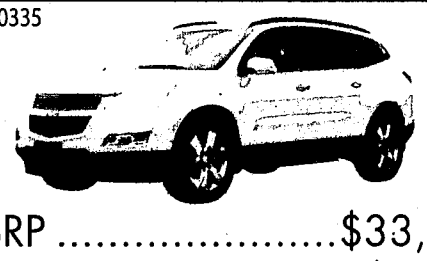

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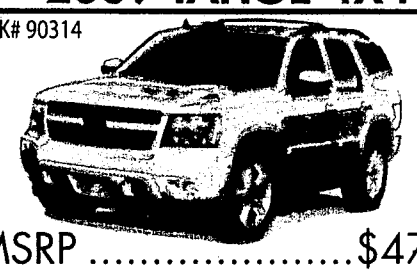

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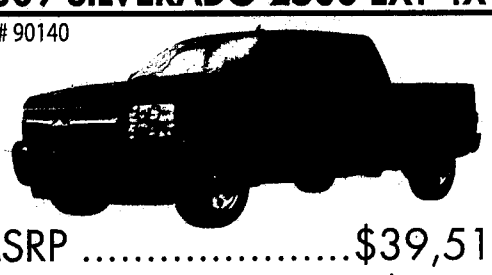

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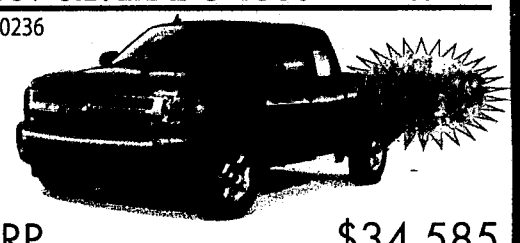

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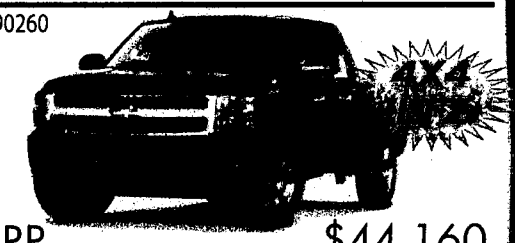

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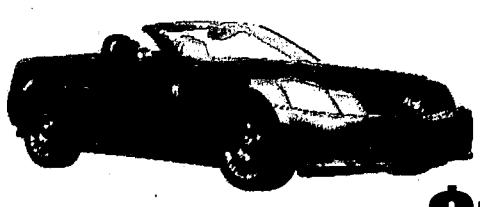

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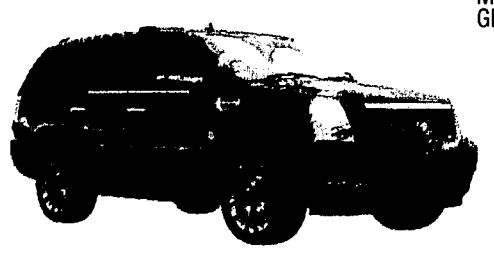

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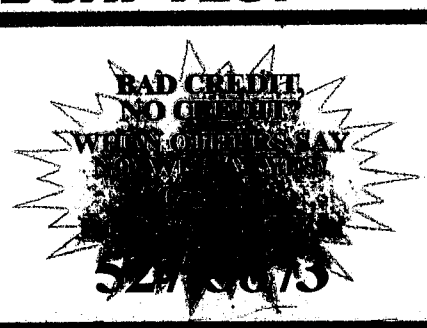

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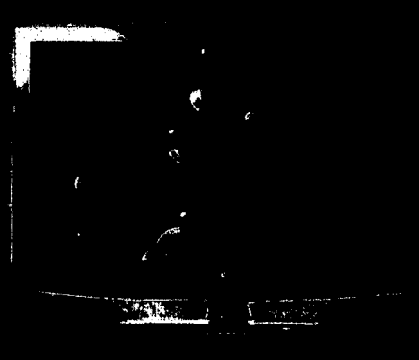

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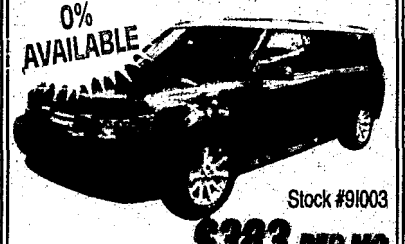
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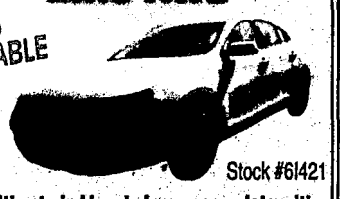
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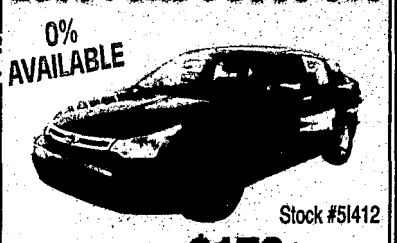
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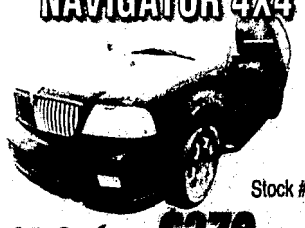
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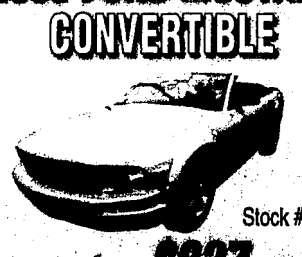
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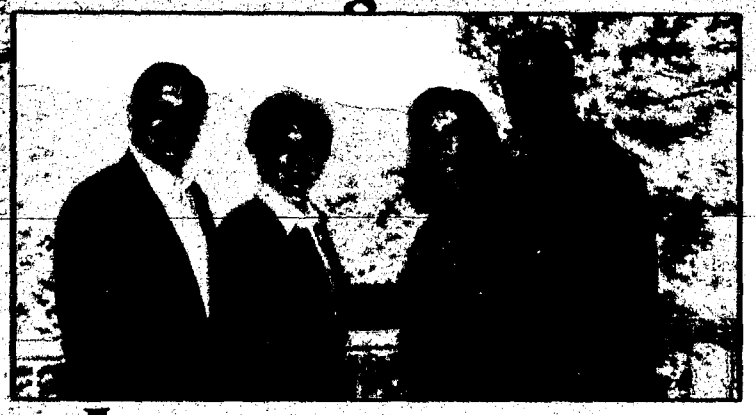

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SUPER ALTO HOME ON LEVEL LOT W/ VIEW!
You'll enjoy a fabulous Sierra Blanca view from this special home w/ great room floor plan. Master bedroom has access to deck and a really nice master bath with double vanities. Great room has vaulted ceilings. Wonderful kitchen accents this bright, cheery, open-concept plan. Very nice home w/ great cabinetry. $336,500. #102323

FABULOUS VIEW HOME ON McBRIDE DRIVE!
A wonderful Sierra Blanca view awaits the new owner of the 3 br., 2 ½ bath home with level access. Centrally located home in beautiful area. Having the master bedroom on the main level is a real plus. More great features...2 fireplaces & lots of storage downstairs. Comfort, luxury, and a super location...it's all here! $325,000. #103036

PRESTIGIOUS DEER PARK WOODS HOME ON CORNER LOT.
Snuggled in the tall pines of Alto is this classy 4 bedroom, 2 ½ bath home with 2 dinning areas and 2 living areas. This home also has a delightful interior, split bedrooms, vaulted ceilings and level access. Enjoy all the amenities that Alto Lakes Golf and Country Club has to offer including a full golf membership. Beautiful area...beautiful home! $499,500. #104579

AMAZING DEER PARK STUCCO ON 1.91 ACRE LOT!
This prestigious home on Mink Lane has that open-concept, one-level, 3 br., plan you love! Large master suite is enhanced by adjacent study. Expansive window package brings fabulous views inside to enhance a luxurious living environment. Wonderful kitchen, large living area w/vaulted ceiling, and fabulous deck with impressive view. Beautifully landscaped. Full golf and partially furnished! $649,500. #104754

WHEN ONLY THE BEST WILL DO!
This impeccably tasteful Kokopelli Villa home is perfectly placed in an exclusive gated community. This spectacularly furnished 3/3 home has a beautiful view of distant mountains, the course, and an enchanting water feature. Full club membership. What a delightful place to live! Looking for your heart's desire? Here it is! $699,500. #101441

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CHARMING 3 BR., 2 BA. ALTO STUCCO!

This one level beauty has a super open concept plan with vaulted ceilings. Easy access and paved drive are features you'll appreciate. Great covered deck for entertaining or just "kicking back." Double garage, 2 fireplaces and a metal roof make this Alto home very desirable. Beautiful wooded view! $345,000. #104241

CLASSY ALTO HOME LOCATED ON THE 11TH FAIRWAY!

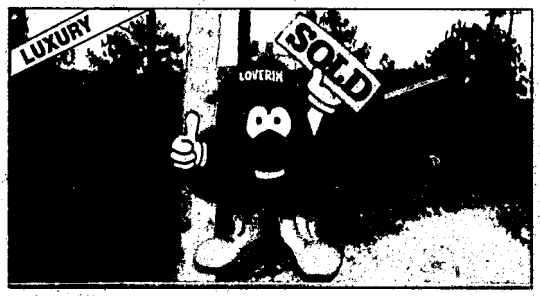
This one owner 3 bedroom, 4 1/2 bath home has over 3000 sq. ft., a 2 car garage, vaulted ceilings and the master bedroom is on the main level. Entertain or relax in the large living room and game room area. Located on Pinehurst. This home includes a full golf membership. There is a studio/family room over the garage that is a real bonus. Don't miss this one! $398,500. #103984

CLASSY ALTO HOME IN A GREAT LOCATION!

This impressive 3 br., 3 1/2 ba. home is close to the ALGCC & has a convenient, level access. An impressively, large living area is accented by vaulted ceilings & a beautiful moss rock fireplace. This prestigious home is very spacious & has a wonderful back deck w/ amazing valley views. Split bedroom plan is ideal for peace & privacy. $399,500. #102717

ALTO STUCCO ON FAIRWAY W/ BEAUTIFUL ARCHITECTURAL LINES!

You'll enjoy the uniquely, clean design lines of this full-golf 3 br. home with a wonderful open concept plan. 2 real pluses... a gorgeous fairway view and it's really close proximity to the clubhouse. Master has fireplace and "his and her baths." A prestigious Alto home. $429,500. #103484



YOUR DESTINATION FOR STYLE AND LUXURY IN ALTO!

This 3 br., 3 ½ ba. Deer Park home is unrivaled in its setting and construction. This contemporary mountain beauty is for the discriminating buyer who wants to surround themselves with the very best. The kitchen & dining area are a virtual dream! Amazing decks & fabulous furniture package too. $595,000. #101403

CLASSY, CUSTOM DEER PARK STUCCO!

This 3 br., 2 ½ ba. beauty is on the corner of a lovely little cul-de-sac off Deer Park. The covered porch w/ kiva fireplace sets the perfect stage for enjoying amazing New Mexico evenings. Custom features throughout. Wonderful courtyard. Full golf membership. The perfect place to live out your dreams in Alto's mountain paradise! $439,500. #104719

FULL GOLF, ONE-LEVEL ALTO STUCCO!

This nicely appointed 3 br., 2 ba. home is conveniently located within walking distance of the clubhouse. Desirable interior features include solid surface countertops, wet bar w/ refrigerator, and enclosed porch. You'll love the double garage w/ additional golf cart garage. Nicely arranged kitchen...a great home! $385,000. #104341

FULL GOLF ALTO HOME UNDER 220K!

What an opportunity!...this charming passive solar, 2br., 2 ba. home is situated on a beautifully treed corner lot in this lovely Alto neighborhood. Take in the beauty of our wonderful mountain environment from a great deck, or enjoy swimming, dining, tennis, and Alto golf at the ALGCC Club. Covered parking, bonus room & a gas fireplace. $219,500. #104379

LUXURIOUSLY, LIVABLE STUCCO ON FAWN COURT

This stellar 4 br., 3 1/2 ba. is a well orchestrated living space with an office/ study and play area too. This open concept beauty has sun-splashed interiors & vaulted wood ceilings. Charming outdoor Bar-B-Q patio w/ kiva for your enjoyment on cool mtn. evenings. An exceptional home in every way. Full golf too! $598,500. #103287

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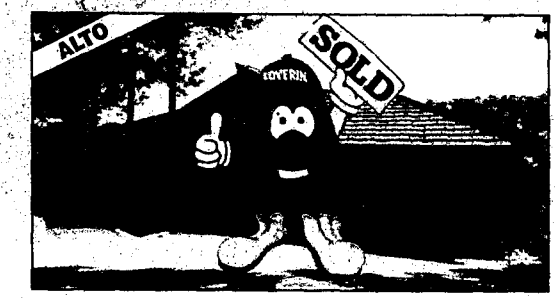
As long-time members of Alto Lakes Golf & Country Club** we can certainly attest to the many enjoyable times that our family has enjoyed at this fine facility. Richard has served on the numerous Alto committees for many years, and we have enjoyed watching the club grow. It's reasonable dues structure 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



FABULOUS 4 BEDROOM, 3 BATH HOME IN BEAUTIFUL DEER PARK WOODS.
This beautifully furnished home has everything you could possibly want! Wonderful open kitchen, dining, and living areas with vaulted wood beam ceilings. Enjoy the views of the Capitan Mountains through the amazing expansive window package. Double garage. For your convenience the master is one the main level. Full golf membership insures your enjoyment of this beautiful area. $459,500. #104522

GREAT ONE LEVEL STUCCO HOME ON APPROX. 1 ACRE.
This 3 bedroom, 2 bath home built in 2005 has a fenced backyard, nice views and an amazing, custom rock fireplace constructed by the Griffin Brothers. High vaulted ceilings and wood floors accent the pleasing open concept living area. A double garage, metal roof, refrigerated air, desirable location, and an Alto membership insure your enjoyment of the Alto area. $330,000. #104479

THE ALTO HOME OF YOUR DREAMS IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION!
This Santa Fe style home will win your heart with its many upgrades and its location on a 1 acre lot! 12 foot ceilings, 2 courtyards, and wonderful one-level plan create a beautiful living environment. Enjoy wonderful views from a home that exudes Santa Fe chic!...A wonderful place to live your life. $515,000. #104663

HIGHLY DESIRABLE ALTO TOWNHOME!
This nicely furnished 2 br., 2 ba. Alto town home is located close to the clubhouse and has level access for carefree Alto living. Enjoy the benefits of a full golf membership & nice views from the wonderful back deck! Won't last long. $230,000 #104208

CHARMING ALTO HOME ON A GREAT CORNER LOT!
This 3 br., 3 ba. golf membership home has a split bedroom floor plan for yours and your guest's privacy. You'll be happy that this home has a living room and a fabulous sunroom...great for multiple family activities. So livable and in a stellar location. $299,500. #103503

COMPLETELY REMODELED ALTO MOUNTAIN VILLAGE 3 BR. CONDO!
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This spacious 4 br. home takes perfect advantage of a highly desirable view lot with its expansive windows and multiple decks. Master on main level. TV room on every level and large dorm/bedroom on bottom level. Perfect set up for owners and guests! Exceptional! $695,000. #103151

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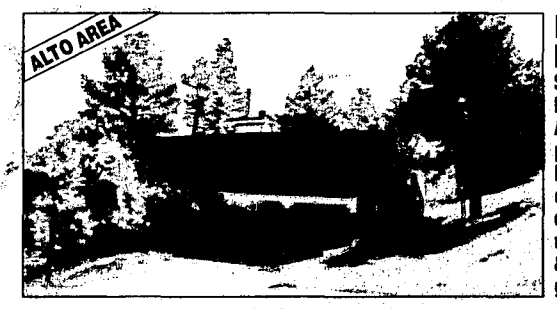


LOTS OF ROOM FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS!

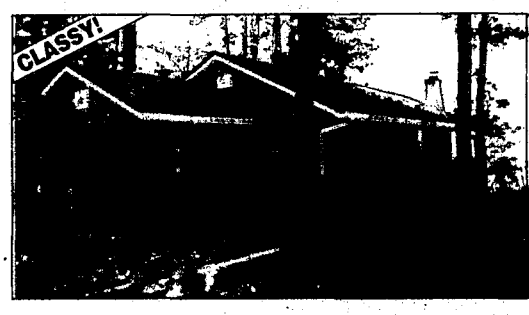
Six bedrooms and six and 1/2 baths amidst the tall pines of Alto Mountain Village is the perfect vacation getaway or home. Lots of room to spread out here! Spacious game room downstairs. Large covered & uncovered decks. 2 car carport & outside elevator for wood or groceries. $330,000. #103603

CLASSY 4 BR., 3 BA. ALTO BEAUTY WITH LEVEL ACCESS!

Snuggled in the tall pines of Alto is this great home with an appealing open-concept living, dining, and kitchen area. You'll love the cozy atmosphere provided by 3 fireplaces, and the fact that it is beautifully decorated. Wonderful den downstairs completes the package. $325,000. #103848

GREAT 3 BR., 2 BA. HOME WITH AN AMAZING SIERRA BLANCA VIEW!

This home has a nice open concept floor plan with vaulted ceilings and a fabulous rock fireplace. Enjoy the DYNAMIC view of Sierra Blanca from the back deck. Great location! Close to town and backs up to green space which is beautifully treed. Everything you could want. All of this under 250K! $249,000. #104608



THIS GREAT 2 BR., 2 BA. STUCCO HAS ALL THE RIGHT TOUCHES!

Beautiful saltillo tile and lovely interior wood accents enhance this well-planned home which is conveniently close to downtown. Metal roof and stucco provide a carefree exterior. The beautiful covered porch is also highlighted with the same wonderful saltillo tile. This home exudes New Mexico mountain charm. All this for under $190K! $185,000 #104381

IMMACULATE MOUNTAIN STUCCO ON 1.74 ACRES!

An amazing lot is the perfect setting for this charming open-concept 3 bedroom, 3 ½ bath ranch style home accented by beautiful wood floors and vaulted ceilings. Great oversized garage. Horses are allowed here! Relax on the wonderful, expansive decks and enjoy viewing the abundant wildlife of this area. A mountain paradise! $398,500. #104661

SUPER, ONE-LEVEL, 3 BEDROOM BEAUTY!

This charming home is enhanced by a deck with marvelous views and a great hot tub...enjoy the view and RELAX! Great interior with split bedroom plan, and wet bar. Maintenance free metal roof. Furnished too! You'll like this one! $239,500. #104760

SECLUDED MOUNTAIN ESTATE ON 5.3 ACRES!

This impressive, 4 br., 3 1/2 ba., one owner home will wow you! Breathtaking Sierra Blanca and valley views, and adjacent to National Forest! Cozy 2 br. guest house with wonderful porch. Barn w/ 2 stalls & corral. Everything your heart desires is right here...surrounded by the pristine mountain wilderness! Saddle up and experience your dream come true! $1,350,000. #103715

PRESTIGIOUS HOME ON LARGE ONE-OF-A-KIND, 1.12 ACRE LOT ON PRIVATE CUL-DE-SAC!

This 4 br., mountain top home in White Mtn. has views of Sierra Blanca, The Links Golf Course, & valley views too! This spacious home has 2 living areas, 2 master suites, large kitchen, and sunroom. The private gated entrance & drive are indicative of a home w/ integrity. Hot tub & sauna are great too! $739,600. #103865

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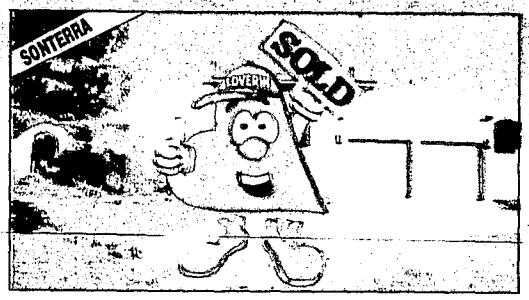
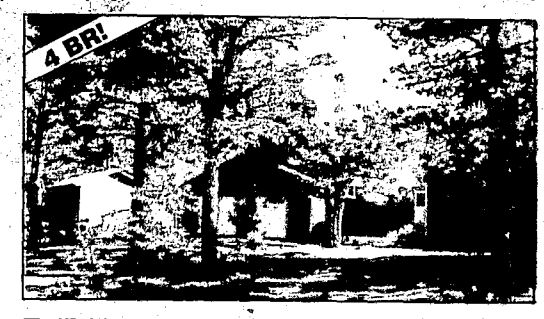
ONE OWNER CUSTOM-DESIGNED MOUNTAIN HOME!

Big, Big, Big Sierra Blanca views are yours from this prestigious 4 br. home with wood accents throughout. Recent updates include new countertops & flooring in kitchen. Situated on a lavish .74 acre lot. Highly desirable open kitchen - living concept. Excellent buy per sq. ft. Also has super family/game room. $349,500. #102785



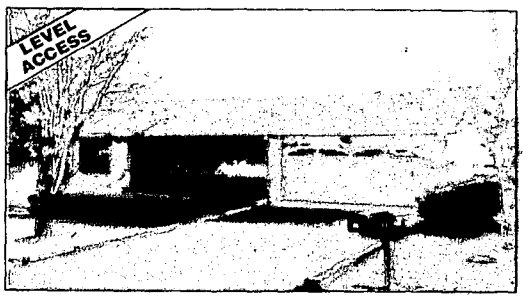
CUSTOM SANTA FE STYLE STUCCO ON 8.65 ACRES!

Gated 4 br. property with amazing Capitan views in a private setting you'll love. This one-level beauty features 3 fireplaces, plantation shutters & observation deck. Walk to the Rio Bonita & waterfalls or relax on the fabulous back patio with outdoor fireplace. This enchanting home with beautiful upscale features throughout and sun-splashed interior awaits a discriminating buyer who longs for our pristine mountain environment. $585,000. #102301



THIS ONE-LEVEL HOME HAS 4 BR. AND 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! $297,000. #18269



GREAT VIEWS AND CENTRALLY LOCATED!

Perfectly placed on the 9th fairway at Cree Meadows. This 3 br., 2 ba. home has great views and nice landscaping. You'll really appreciate the oversized double garage plus golf cart storage. The large covered deck in back is a wonderful place to take in the lovely views and fresh mountain air. Cree Meadows Membership available. $269,500. #104837

FULLY REMODELED 3 BR. SPRINGS CONDO!

You'll find beautiful tile floors, sun-splashed interiors, and a wonderful park-like setting right here at The Springs! This end unit has a fabulous open concept living, dining, & kitchen area. The back patio is serene & perfect for your morning coffee amidst the tall pines. A must see. $179,900. #103606

4 BEDROOM CAPITAN HOME ON FLAT LOT!

What a great place to have horses & a little elbow room! Rural zoning and partially fenced. The Sierra Blanca view from this great home is wonderful! Horse stalls with tack room complete this package for the horse enthusiast. Don't miss this opportunity to enjoy New Mexico's blue skies and open spaces. $189,500. #104788

LOOKING FOR LUXURY IN THE COUNTRY?

Here it is!!! The "Enchantment Ranch" is approximately 5 scenic acres w/ recently remodeled main house that is truly a dream come true. This amazing custom home has 3 fireplaces, unique antique accents throughout, hot tub room, & a wine cellar. Fabulous courtyard is beautifully designed series of pools, waterfalls, & flagstone walk ways. $825,000. #104505. Also available w/ additional 12 acres, 2 br. guest house, & caretakers house. $998,500. #104501

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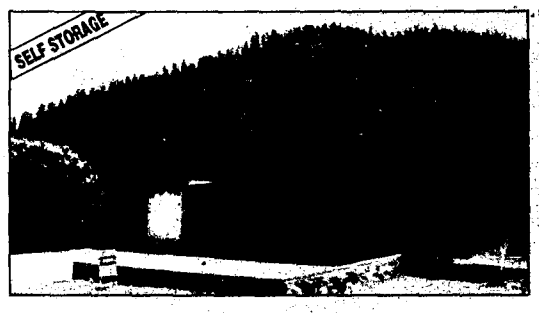
PRESTIGIOUS STUCCO HOME IN BEAUTIFUL WHITE MTN ESTATES!

This amazing 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath mountain home has everything you could possibly want! Wonderful kitchen, spacious great room, 2 car garage, and master on main level. Nicely landscaped. Enjoy the pristine mountain air and the views from one of the two decks surrounded by the tall, cool pines. $449,500. #102862

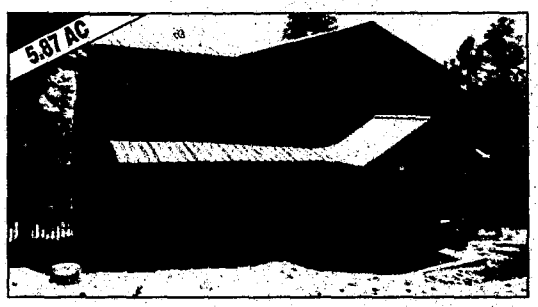


THIS MULTI-USE OFFICE/ SHOP & SELF-STORAGE IS CONVENIENTLY LOCATED ON A CORNER LOT!

What an appealing set up! An approx. 1055 sq. ft. heated shop/warehouse with 14' ceilings, a 12 x 12 overhead door, & a 7 x 7 overhead door at the loading dock. Highly desirable 450 sq. ft., 2 story heated office, and 25 storage units complete this well designed and executed multi-use property. $275,000. #103262

LOVELY WHT. MTN. STUCCO W/ VALLEY VIEWS!

Vaulted ceilings in the living area create a sun-splashed interior that's divine! The master bedroom is on the main floor of this charming 3 br., 2 1/2 ba. Upscale cabinets, open concept, solid surface countertops, and wet bar w/ wine cooler enhance this luxurious living environment. $330,000. #100027



BIG CAPITAN MTN. VIEWS FROM THIS CHARMING LOG HOME!

Lots of mountain flavor in this beautiful 3 br. home with expansive deck and inviting hot tub. The 5.87 acres has a private road and is perfect for horses. Kiva & cultured river rock fireplaces are just a few of the interior custom features you'll love. Bonus hobby room too! $359,500. #104901

GREAT 3 BEDROOM CREE MEADOWS TOWNHOME!

This end unit has level access, a one car garage and 2 1/2 baths. You will enjoy the great room floor plan and fireplace. Relax in the hot tub on the back patio. This unit is also nicely furnished. Great location...walking distance to Cree Meadows Country Club, downtown and the river. All of this under 200K! $199,500. #103809

UPPER CANYON 3 BEDROOM W/ GREAT FEATURES!

It's all here!...Hobby room, green house, multiple decks/ furnished and unfurnished, and an oversized master bedroom! The level access is really handy. The lot has beautiful tall pines and did I say the PRICE IS RIGHT! Priced under $160K! $158,500. #104767

CLASSY ONE-LEVEL STUCCO WITH BIG SB VIEW!

This 4 br., 3 ba. mountain top home is perfectly placed and beautifully designed. An elegant interior, expansive open-concept living area, and large master suite will win your heart! Two fireplaces, large garage, and great storage are real pleases. Paved drive and landscaping too. Wonderful kitchen! Amazing deck w/ panoramic SB View! Wow!!! $499,500. #104679.

AMAZING TERRITORIAL HOME WITH 400 FEET OF RIVER FRONTAGE!

A fabulous location provides the perfect setting for this 3 bedroom, 3 bath home on 6.3 acres in Ranches of Sonterra. This beauty features wood accents throughout, top of the line appliances, Bose surround sound system, radiant heat, a front and back courtyard, and amazing fireplaces. Also, this property has a great 1120 SQ. [illegible] dio/workshop with a 1/2 bath. [illegible]

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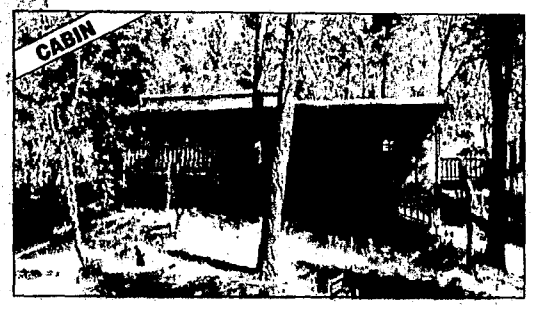


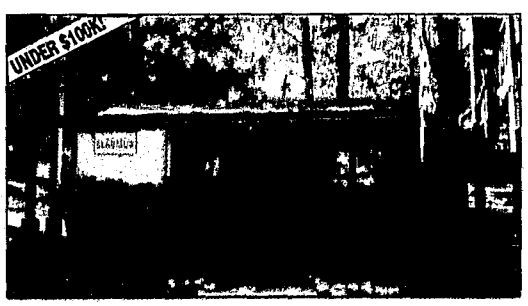
BEAUTIFULLY SECLUDED CABIN IN THE WOODS!
This 3 br. rustic cabin is perfectly placed close to hiking trails and the national forest. Situated on 2 lots! Storage building and domestic well. Get close to nature in this secluded cabin with great potential! Retreat to a slower pace and enjoy the mountains. $175,500. #102767

LOTS OF POTENTIAL AND UNDER 150K!
This Capitan property is on 3 lots and has a great location across the street from Smokey Bear Museum. Downstairs has two large rooms and a bathroom. Upstairs is a nice loft area. Great parking and level access. Residential or commercial...your choice!!! $149,000. #104317

SUPER END-UNIT TOWNHOUSE ON CREE GOLF COURSE
This is a perfect, central location for vacationers or permanent residents. This 2 br. unit has a wonderful back deck overlooking Cree Meadows golf course & the #5 green. Nicely furnished, wet bar, and easy access. More windows on this end unit provide a bright & cheerful interior. $179,500 #103137

ONE-LEVEL 2 BR., 2 BA... A REAL CHARMER!
This great home is in a secluded area, but is not out of town! Perfectly placed! It shares a well and is on sewer, has super porches and delightful interior! Must see at $89,500. #101801

CLOSE TO SHOPPING AND THE RIO RUIDOSO RIVER!
This clean and cute 2 bedroom 14 X 56 mobile home is perfect for a mountain getaway or a permanent residence. You'll enjoy Ruidoso's many charms while relaxing on the timber-tech like deck. This home is a real opportunity at a great price. Don't miss this one. It won't last long. $69,800. #104572



CABIN IN THE WOODS UNDER $100,000!
Great stand alone cabin at Carrizo Lodge Condos with view of creek! What a great place to kick back and relax in this quaint 2 br. cabin. Nice front porch. Minutes to downtown Ruidoso or Inn of the Mountain Gods. This one won't last long. Maybe just what you are looking for! $95,000. #102013

1977 TWO BEDROOM TOWN & COUNTRY!
You'll be delighted with the level access and the fact that this home sits on 2 lots! This 2 bedroom, 1 3/4 bath home has a domestic well and nice views. An evaporative unit will keep you cool & collected, and seller financing is available!!! $59,500. #103782

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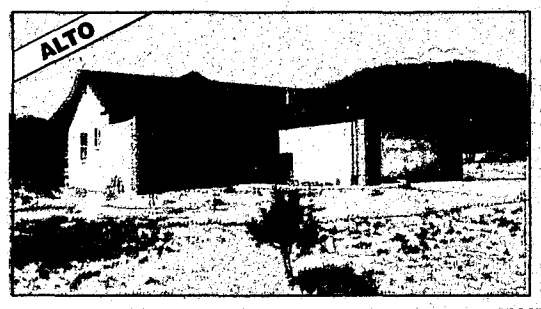
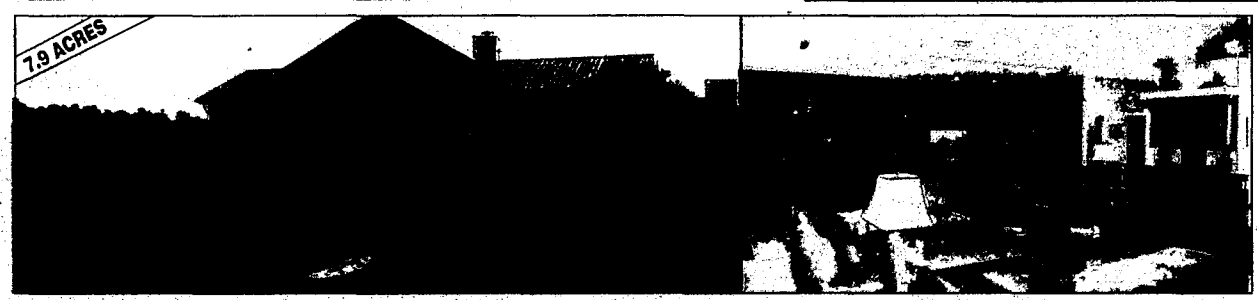
FABULOUS ONE-LEVEL WHITE MTN. MEADOWS HOME!

This impressive 3 br. home is situated on 2 lots replatted into one, creating a generous green space for this special home w/ 2 living areas, 3 fireplaces & a 4 car garage. Granite countertops in the kitchen. 2 baths plus 2 more 1/2 baths. Your spacious dream home for convenience, beauty & luxury! $399,900. #102714



CUSTOM BUILT 3 BR. ALTO STUCCO WITH ROCK ACCENTED EXTERIOR!

A large .5 acre corner lot in Alto is the perfect setting for this custom home with vaulted and wood accented ceilings. The open concept, floor plan is very pleasing and you'll love the kitchen w/ granite countertops. The covered back porch is complete w/wood ceiling & fans. Relax and enjoy! $299,500. #103371

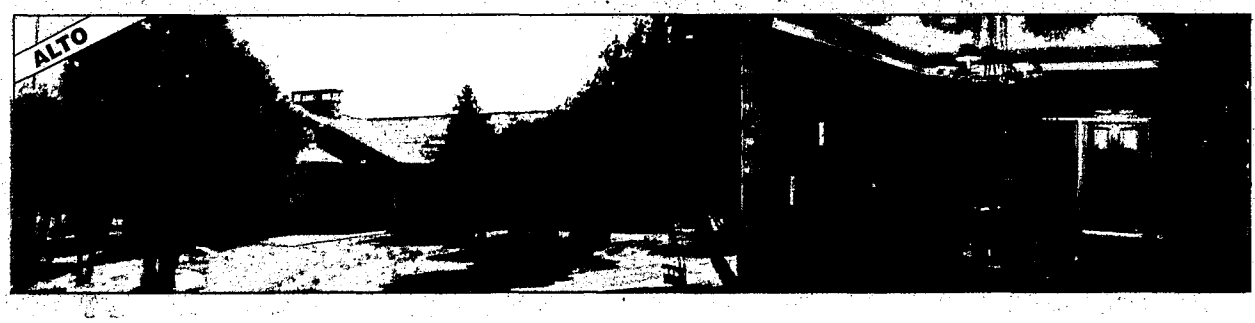


FABULOUS CUSTOM HOME WITH NICE VIEWS!

This fully furnished 4 bedroom, 3 1/2 bath home sits on an amazing 7.94 acres in Ranches of Sonterra. Some of the custom features throughout this home include a gourmet kitchen with granite countertops, great room with vaulted ceiling, 3 car garage, and a rain catch system. Enjoy the valley views from a great deck. Also features guest quarters with their own kitchen, living area, and utility room. $575,000. #103954

UPSCALED, CUSTOM ESTATE LIVING ON APPROX. 1.82 ACRES!

This amazing 4 bedroom home has everything you could possible want! Dynamic windows and vaulted ceilings accent this beautiful open kitchen-living area. Expansive low maintenance deck, concrete drive, 4 car garage, and a lifetime roof. Fabulous interior will win your heart. Many desirable extras including an rv pad and an additional domestic well. A real beauty! $799,500. #104484



PRESTIGIOUS ALTO HOME ON EXPANSIVE 1.5 ACRE LOT!

This beautifully designed 5 br., 5 1/2 ba. Alto home has a grand feeling! An impressive and spacious floor plan features exceptional quality throughout. The lofty ceilings, gourmet kitchen & bar, lovely wood accents, and 3 car garage will please even the most discriminating buyer. Professionally decorated. Alto full golf & Kokopelli membership. Pkg. includes jockey club seats too! Luxurious Alto living at it's best! $1,695,000. #103940

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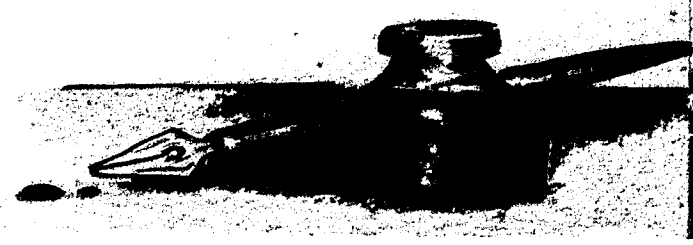

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COMING SOON

Everybody goes 'Footloose'

BY KATHLEEN MCDONALD
FOR ¡VÁMONOS!

Based on the 1980s screen sensation starring Kevin Bacon, the stage musical *Footloose* has taken the world by storm with its youthful spirit, dazzling dance and electrifying music.

Now in its 10th anniversary national tour, the dance-happy tale storms the Spencer Theater at 8 p.m., Saturday, May 16. Excellent seats are available to the high-energy musical for $69 and $66. Call the Spencer Theater at 575-336-4800 or visit www.spencertheater.com for tickets today.

Featuring a dynamic young cast of professional singers, dancers and orchestra musicians, *Footloose* tells the story of a restless city boy, Ren, who moves with his mother from Chicago to a small farming town. A reasonable young fella, Ren is prepared for the inevitable adjustment period at his new high school. What he isn't prepared for are the rigorous local laws, including the pig-headed ban on dancing.

The ban is the brainchild of a preacher determined to exercise the control over the town youth that he cannot command in his own home. When the reverend's rebellious daughter sets her cap for Ren, her roughneck boyfriend tries to sabotage Ren's reputation, with many of the locals eager to believe the worst about the new kid.

To the rockin' rhythm of its Oscar-nominated Top-40 score (the soundtrack album reached No.1 on the *Billboard* charts and has sold over 15 million copies with hits that include "Holding Out For A Hero," "Almost Paradise," "Let's Hear It For The Boy" and of course, the blockbuster theme tune), *Footloose* celebrates the wisdom of listening to young people, and guiding them with a warm heart and an open mind.

This coast-to-coast tour of *Footloose* by the Off-Broadway Booking group has received rave reviews by critics in various news media like *Variety*, which declared "A celebration of youthful independence ... Genuine artistry and innovation ... terrific tunes," and the Green Bay *Press-Gazette*, saying, "A crackling show ... better than the movie!" Additional kudos come from the *L.A. Weekly*, which notes "One of the most extraordinary musicals ever to come out of Hollywood *Footloose* blends fantastical situations with important issues and balances them perfectly."

Call the Box Office at 575-336-4800 or visit www.spencertheater.com

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Tularosa Travel Center
J&J Mini Market
Lowes
J&J #15
Mountain Top Merch
The Lodge

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Calendar Highlights

Red Feather Theatre Company Presents

May 8-10: (Ruidoso) The Red Feather Theatre Company presents three plays: *Cathleen Ni Hoolihan*, by William Butler Yeats, *Spinning Straw Into Gold*, based on the tale of Rumplestiltskin and written by RHS Drama Instructor Georgene Inks, and *Too Many Doctors*, based on Moliere's *The Imaginary Invalid*. Red Feather productions are student-driven, with creative efforts both onstage and behind the amazing sets created in collaboration with the Woodshop and Art classes at RHS. Showtimes are 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, and 5 p.m. on Sunday. For more, see page 11.

Rodney Carrington

May 14: (Mescalero) Rodney Carrington in concert at the Inn of the Mountain Gods Resort & Casino at 8 p.m. Funnyman Carrington has enjoyed great success as a recording artist, stand-up comedian, actor and writer. After starring in his self-titled sitcom "Rodney" for two seasons, he made his return to the stand-up comedy circuit in 2008. His most recent film, *Beer for My Horses*, in which he co-wrote and co-starred with country music singer Toby Keith, received great reviews and is currently airing on Country Music Television (CMT). Carrington achieved success as a major label recording artist, as his albums have consistently topped the comedy charts and are a favorite among radio stations nationwide. Performance begins at 8: p.m. Doors open at 7 p.m. Must be 21 or older to attend. For more information, call the box office at 888-324-0348.

Aspencash Motorcycle Rally

May 14: (Ruidoso) AspenCash Motorcycle Rally at the Ruidoso Convention Center. $10,00 Poker Run, Trade Show at the Ruidoso Convention Center with 33,000 square feet of vendors (admission is $8 per person cash at the door), $10,00 in prizes.

Military Appreciation Weekend 2009

May 14-17: (Ruidoso) F-22 Raptor Flyover, demonstrations and displays by all branches of the military to include Holloman Air Force Base, White Sands Missile Range, Kirtland Air Force Base, Fort Bliss, New Mexico Space History Museum, Naval & Marine Readiness Command, and celebrity guest speakers. Military convoy with more than 100 troops arrives on Friday. MAW Golf Tournament at the Inn of the Mountain Gods Championship Golf Course on Thursday. Held in appreciation of the contributions and sacrifice of the military.

Footloose

May 16: (Alto) *Footloose* at the Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts at 8 p.m. Tickets are $69 and $66. Kick off those Sunday shoes and get ready to dance with this nationally touring production. Based on the 1980s screen sensation, the stage musical *Footloose* has taken the world by storm with its youthful spirit, dazzling dance and electrifying music.

Now in its 10th anniversary national tour, *Footloose* tells the story of a city boy who moves to rural America where dancing is banned. He turns the town upside down as he goes footloose and has the whole town on their feet. Featuring a dynamic young cast of professional singers, dancers and orchestra musicians, this fast-paced show is not only packed full of amazing dancing but serves up some classic '80s hits including "Holding Out For A Hero," "Almost Paradise," "Let's Hear It For The Boy" and, of course, the blockbuster theme tune, "Footloose." Phone the Spencer Box Office at 336-4800 for tickets.

Hondo Fiesta

May 16: (Hondo) The 57th annual presentation of the Hondo Fiesta at the Hondo Valley Public Schools gymnasium begins at 6 p.m. Students in Head Start through 12th grade perform a dazzling display of Spanish, Mexican and New Mexican dances. A fine Mexican dinner will be served from 4-6, for $5 for adults and $3 for 10 and under. General fiesta admission is $7 for adults and $5 for students. For more information, phone 653-4411.

Ruidoso Downs Race Track Opens

May 22: (Ruidoso Downs) Opening Day of the Racing Season at Ruidoso Downs Race Track & Billy the Kid Casino. The Ruidoso Downs Race Track hosts exciting annual live racing from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day. Spectacular summer races take place Thursdays through Sundays with a 1 p.m. post, with the exception of some holidays, special meets and horse sales.

You are invited to join them in celebrating a momentous summer with the 50th Anniversary of the $2 million All American Futurity. Don't miss out on any of the fun.

Flying J Ranch Opens

May 22: (Ruidoso Downs) Located just north of Ruidoso on Highway 48 (Mechem Drive), this Chuckwagon Supper & Western Stage Show is open Monday through Saturday nights through Labor Day, Sept. 1. Gates open at 6 p.m., dinner bell rings (yes, they really do ring the dinner bell) at 7:30 p.m. The Wranglers will be in the ranch house serving up a genuine chuckwagon dinner including your choice of beef or chicken in a special Flying J sauce, beans, baked potato, chunky applesauce, biscuit, butter, jelly, spice cake, coffee, tea, lemonade. There are extra helpings, especially of their signature homemade biscuits, until all the food is gone. Soon, more coffee is being served and then the Flying J Wranglers take the stage for an hour of great music and good, clean family-styled laughs. Settle back. Get ready to laugh, cry and cheer. There's nothing quite like the Flying J Wranglers. It's an experience you'll come back for again and again.Come early for the Bonito City Shootout before dinner, 'cause it's a hoot. Admission is $22 for 13 and over, $12 for youngsters 4 through 12, including tax and gratuity. For more information, phone 1-888-458-3595 or 575-336-4330.

Mescalero Apache Arts & Crafts Show

May 22-25: (Mescalero) Mescalero Apache Arts & Crafts Show at the Inn of the Mountain Gods Resort & Casino. Open all four days, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Meet Mescalero's finest artists Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday of Memorial Day weekend. See jewelry, sculptures, paintings, prints, beadwork, photography, baskets and more at the Inn of the Mountain Gods Resort & Casino.

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Sunset Run Restaurant • 54 McDonald Rd. (west end of 10th St.), Alamogordo • Ribs, brisket, pork, sausage, smoked chicken and fish • Tue-Sat, 11 a.m.-8 p.m.; Sun, 11 a.m.-6 p.m.• sunsetrunrestaurant.com or 434-9000.

Texas Pit Barbeque • 211 James Canyon, Cloudcroft • 682-1101.

Cafés

Airport Grille • 3500 Airport Rd., Alamogordo • 439-1093 • Open Mon-Fri, 7:30 a.m.-3 p.m • Specialty sandwiches, and daily specials.

Amigos Bakery • 1107 10th St., Alamogordo • 437-0592.• 9 a.m.-9 p.m; Sun, 10 a.m.-9 p.m. • Deli, daily special.

Brown Bag Deli • 900 Washington, Alamogordo • 437-9751 • Open Mon-Sat, 9 a.m.-9 p.m.; Sun, 10 a.m.-9 p.m • Deli, daily special.

Café 675 • 675 Tenth St. at Lowes, Alamogordo • 437-5150.

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Java The Hut • 506 St. Francis • Tularosa • 585-2003.

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Mountain View Café & The Bistro (GCRMC), 2669 Scenic Dr., Alamogordo • 443-7456 (Mountainview) / 443-7457 (Bistro).

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Denny's • 930 S. White Sands Blvd., Alamogordo • 437-6106.

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CUISINE

!Delicioso!

Polly's Potpourri

by Polly E. Chavez

"Two or three corn tortillas?"

"Egg? Over easy or sunny side up?"

This is what is heard in my kitchen just before I commence to prepare:

Plain Red Chile Enchiladas

I place each tortilla, one at a time, in very hot oil. The tortilla is next put into a pot holding prepared red chile sauce, where the tortilla softens a bit. After pulling it out of the chile and placing it on a plate, grated cheese and minced onion are added. I repeat the process with the second corn tortilla.

I fry an egg and crown the enchilada with it. I garnish the enchilada with chopped tomato and shredded lettuce.

¡Delicioso! A meal fit for *el rey* (the king.)

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Of the many dishes featuring corn tortillas, stacked red chile enchiladas are the oldest of New Mexican dishes most often made.

Some cooks roll the fried tortillas after loading them with cheese and onion. Then red chile sauce is spooned over all and heated in an oven until the tortillas are softened and the cheese melts.

Other cooks make red chile enchiladas in a casserole baking dish. Ground beef is sometimes used in the preparation of the red chile sauce. Cheese and onion are sprinkled on top and the dish is placed in the oven to soften the tortillas and melt the cheese.

The dish is spooned onto a plate and served with sides of rice and refried beans.

Dining Guide

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Sands Blvd., Alamogordo • 437-0865.

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Memories Restaurant • 1223 N. New York Ave., Alamogordo • Mon-Sat, 11 a.m.-9 p.m. • 437-0077.

Pepper's Grill • 3200 N. White Sands Blvd., Alamogordo • 437-9717.

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Alfredo's • 801 Delaware, Alamogordo • 437-1745.

Casa de Sueños New Mexican Restaurant • 35 St. Francis Dr., Tularosa • 585-3494 • Fax 585-3496.

Eddie's Burrito Express• 750 E. First St., Alamo-gordo • 437-0266.

El Camino Restaurant • 1022 N. White Sands Blvd., Alamogordo • 437-8809.

Juan's Cactus Café • 3199 N. White Sands Blvd., Alamogordo • 434-2368.

La Hacienda • 800 S. White Sands Blvd., Alamogordo.

Margo's Mexican Food • 504 E. First St., Alamogordo • 434-0689.

Maria's Mexican Food • 604 E. Tenth St., Alamogordo • 434-4549.

Maximino's • 2300 N. White Sands Blvd., Alamogordo • 443-6102.

Si Señor Restaurant • 1480 N. White Sands Blvd., Alamogordo • 437-7879.

Pizza/Italian

Gigi's Pizza • 600 S. White Sands Blvd., Alamogordo • 434-5811.

Pizza Hut • 120 S. White Sands Blvd., Alamogordo • 437-9785.

Pizza Mill & Sub Factory •

Ruidoso / Lincoln County

1315 E. Tenth St., Alamogordo • 434-1313.

Pizza Patio • 2203 1st St., Alamogordo • 434-9633.

Bar-B-Que

Apache Summit • 287 Carrizo Canyon Rd. at Inn of the Mountain Gods next to pro shop • 464-7695.

Can't Stop Smokin' • 418 Mechem Dr. • 630-0000 • Bar-B-Que to go. Beef, poultry & pork.

Circle J Barbecue • 1825 Sudderth • 257-4105 • Sun-Thu, 11 a.m.-8:30 p.m.; Fri-Sat, 11 a.m.-9:30 p.m.

Tom's Barbecue • 435 Smokey Bear Blvd., Capitan • 937-1515 • Spare ribs, brisket, pork, sausage, green chile burger and all the trimmin's • Dine in or carry out • Catering available.

Cafés

Alto Café • Hwy. 48 & Gavilan Canyon Rd. • 336-1980 •7 a.m.-8 p.m., Mon-Fri, closed weekends. Daily and nightly specials, home-style meals and ice cream in a relaxed atmosphere.

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Calamity Jane's • 500 W Smokey Bear Blvd., Capitan • 354-8309

Cornerstone Bakery Café • 359 Sudderth • 257-1842 • 8-11 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m. daily • Gourmet sandwiches, desserts, fresh breads, coffee.

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Dreamcatcher Café • 2629 Sudderth, in the Courtyard in Midtown by Kawliga's • 802-2222 • Sun-Thu, 7:30 a.m.-7 p.m.; Fri-Sat, 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m. • Breakfast, lunch, dinner, smoothies, coffee • live music

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Roy's Ice Cream Parlour • 1200 Avenue E, Carrizozo • 648-2921 • Mon-Fri, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sat, 12-6 • Old-fashioned ice cream sodas, milkshakes, malts, banana splits & other fountain treats.

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Sunflower Café • 806 Carrizo

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CUISINE

Hot dog!

Dining out

with Ivana B. Diningwell

Rees McWright, a local boy whose family has lived in Ruidoso Downs since around the last ice age, has followed the example of a character in a sci-fi story he once wrote.

He's opened a hot dog stand.

But it's more than a hot dog stand. McWright (he reinstated the "Mc" that the family removed to differentiate themselves from a horse-stealing set of relatives) has taught English in Thailand, and traveled in China, and somewhere along the way, he learned to cook. He's found ways to put an international spin on that most classic of meat forms.

He uses whole grain buns that are strong enough to carry the load of the dog - a Boar's Head all-beef frank - and all its fixings. And Ivana does mean "fixings." McWright makes all the relishes and slaws and such, like the onion relish (a wonderful oily and sweet combination) and the giardiniera-olives, celery and peppers in a vinaigrette. He piles it on those dogs until their tails wag.

You don't have to go for any of the exotic options; he'll serve you a plain dog, if that's what you really want. But isn't Life all about new experiences? And after all, it's only a hot dog, it's not bungee jumping.

McWright reports that the most popular dogs so far are the Chicago Dog (on poppy seed bun with pickle relish, tomato, onions, peppers and mustard), the Z Dog (avocado, hummus, artichoke hearts, tomato, onions, garlic, black olive tapenade and mustard) and the Chili Dog (bean chili, tomato, onions, garlic and spicy mustard). There's even an option for vegetarians: the Garden Dog has cole slaw, horseradish, avocado, tomatoes, hummus and black olive tapenade rolled up in a grape leaf. This faux dog can then be gussied up like any of the others.

The Slaw Dog features slaw made with green and purple cabbage, dried fruit, carrots and turmeric to make it yellow.

Ivana was fond of the Luau Dog. She put on her grass skirt and enjoyed her dog with sliced banana, pineapple relish, horseradish and giardiniera while doing the hula.

Bottled sodas include such old-fashioned varieties as root beer and orange Crush. And if you fear to offend after so much onion and garlic, help yourself to a bit of Canel's chewing gum from the jar on the counter.

Seating is a bit limited, although you can hang out inside the A frame if you don't mind other customers ordering over your head. There's also a picnic table for fresh air fiends.

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Cree Meadows Restaurant • 301 Country Club • 257-2733 • Sun-Sat, breakfast 7 a.m.-11 a.m.; lunch 11 a.m.-3 p.m. • Steak, seafood, lounge, banquet room.

Denny's • 2219 W. Hwy. 70, Ruidoso Downs • 378-1389 • Open 24/7.

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.

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Sonic Drive-In • 102 Horton Circle • 257-4787 • 7 Days a week, 7a.m.-11 p.m.

Subway • 148 Sudderth • 257-7827 • 8 a.m.-10 p.m. daily • Breakfast served until 11 a.m.

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Fine Dining

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HISTORY

The escape of Harry Tracy, part 4

Past Tense

by Drew Gomber
Historian

In the summer of 1902, young Harry Tracy, who had apparently come West for the express purpose of becoming an outlaw, achieved this status beyond his wildest dreams.

After a dramatic prison escape, the desperado had run across Oregon and into Washington, charming many he met along the way.

However, most of the posses who caught up with him wished they hadn't. While he was not an indiscriminate killer, Tracy did not hesitate to kill anyone attempting to capture him. He had left a number of dead lawmen in his wake.

With a hostage named Anderson, who Tracy used as a sort of human packhorse, the desperado had successfully eluded numerous posses across two states. In the end, the manhunt would become perhaps the largest in the history of the United States.

At one point, Tracy had telephoned a sheriff from a country store: "Well, I just wanted to let you know I'm still around!" he announced cheerily. When the lawman began sputtering, Tracy added, "Oh, don't get mad. After all, at least you are talking with the man you are after. Goodbye."

The end looms

Despite his bravado, Tracy was getting more and more desperate. The very same telephone lines he used to taunt the law were being utilized to coordinate the manhunt that he had to have known would eventually run him to ground. He was being spotted with increasing frequency and one posse got so close that Tracy ended up with a partial load of buckshot in his back. But still, he and Anderson pressed on. And despite his desperate situation, all of those he met were invariably impressed by Harry Tracy's courtly manners.

Finally, he released his "human packhorse" – Anderson – from bondage, and the fellow walked away unharmed with a tale to tell his grandchildren. Eventually, Tracy sought shelter at a ranch owned by the Eddy brothers. Tracy was now alone and becoming increasingly desperate, which of course, made him even more dangerous.

The Eddys were not fools. They realized almost immediately that if they did this man's bidding, he would not hurt them. Consequently, they became remarkably agreeable. The two ranchers, as well as their youthful neighbor, George Goldfinch, who Tracy had forced to lead him to the Eddys', were all impressed with the fact that, "... he (Tracy) was always good natured, and did not seem to worry."

After several days in their company, Tracy finally made what would turn out to be his fatal mistake. He released young Goldfinch. When he did this, he informed Goldfinch that if he were to alert the authorities, it would be the death-knell for the Eddys. In a way, it was Tracy's good manners that were his undoing. After reflecting on the outlaw's threats for a time, young Goldfinch decided correctly that Tracy was bluffing and headed for the sheriff's office.

The end

On Aug. 5, 1902, an impromptu posse consisting of Constable C.A. Straub, J.J. Morrison, Dr. E.C. Lantner, attorney Maurice Smith and a man named Frank Lillengren, all armed to the teeth, headed for the Eddy ranch. For reasons lost to history, these men decided that Tracy would no longer be at the Eddy place, but that they would be able to find out in which direction he had fled from his unwilling hosts.

When they arrived, this suspicion was confirmed - or so they thought - when they saw one of the Eddy brothers plowing a field. They reasoned that if Tracy was still about, there was no way this fellow would be tending his fields. They were wrong.

The possemen saw no reason to conceal themselves and walked right up to Eddy. "Haven't you a visitor?" they inquired. "I had Tracy here for a while, but he's gone now" replied Eddy.

"When did he leave?"

"This morning" replied the rancher, but something in the way he said it put the posse on their guard. At just that moment, Eddy's brother stepped out of the blacksmith shop. Harry Tracy stood next to him. Luckily for all concerned, or so they believed, the posse was just out of Tracy's line of vision. They scampered for cover behind a small hill, instructing Eddy to go down and keep the desperado occupied. We can only guess how Eddy felt about this, but he did it nonetheless.

When the two Eddy brothers were again alone with Tracy, he made a casual-sounding remark that made their blood run cold. "Do you know who those men are up there?" he asked. He had known the posse was there all along. Smiling slightly at the Eddy brothers' surprise, Tracy nodded in farewell and snatched up his rifle and hat. He then bolted for a large boulder about 150 yards away.

The men on the hill fired at the fleeing desperado and, never breaking stride, he returned their fire with such accuracy that they were forced to keep their heads down. Reaching the cover of the boulder unscathed, Tracy kept up a lively long-range duel with the posse. But the sun was in his eyes and presumably, in order to command a better field of fire, the outlaw broke again for another boulder in a barley field. At the edge of the field, the seemingly indestructible fugitive went down, his leg shattered by a rifle ball.

Tracy then began to crawl through the field of barley, no longer toward a boulder, but now toward some horses tethered in a shed. After crawling an almost unbelievable 75 yards, under fire and with a broken leg, Tracy fired one time at his pursuers. The shot came close enough to throw dust in their eyes.

At this point, the posse began to saturate the area where they thought Tracy to be with rifle fire. Another bullet struck him in the thigh, severing an artery, and still he crawled on.

Harry Tracy was dying, but he probably thought he was only fainting.

Nevertheless, the popular desperado had sworn that he would never be taken alive, and it was a vow that he had not forgotten. He was so weak that he had to use both thumbs to cock the pistol that he held to his own temple.

When the possemen heard a muffled report from the barley field, they poured volley after volley in the direction of the shot.

It was almost 24 hours before anyone could screw up the courage to approach him, but it made no difference.

Harry Tracy had escaped at last.

SOURCES:
Encyclopedia of Western Gunfighters, by Bill O'Neal, and the files of *True West Magazine*, courtesy Bob Boze Bell.

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 575-653-4056 or email Drew at drew@pvtnetworks.net.

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LET'S GO!

Roy Black benefit

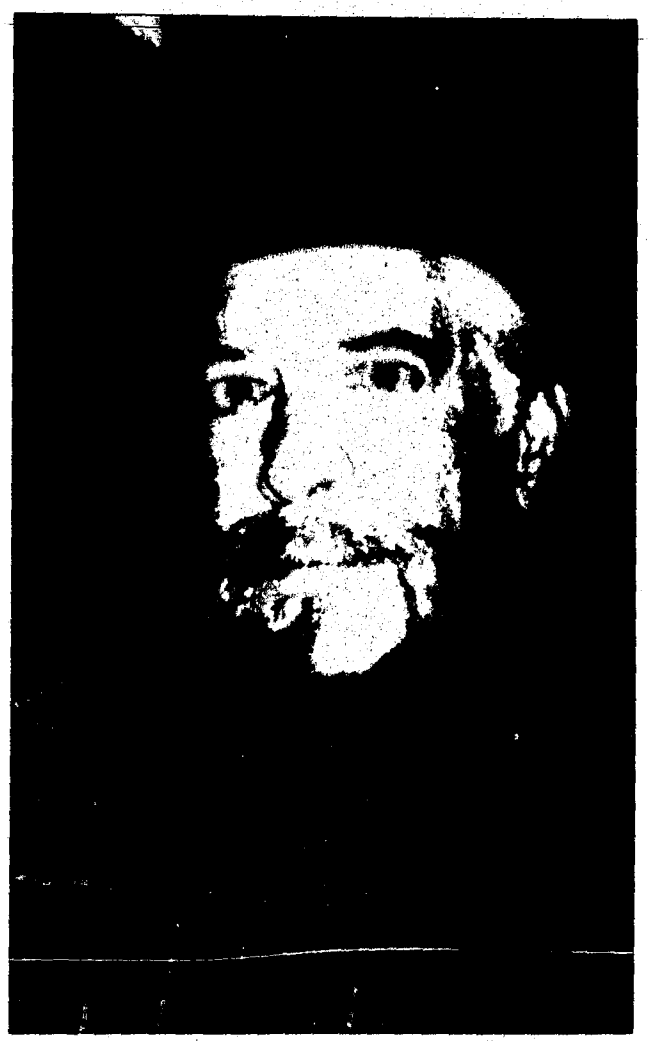
A benefit for Roy Black of the Flying J Wranglers will be held Sunday, May 10, 3-6 p.m., at the Flying J Ranch.

Roy was seriously injured in a horseback accident.

Many local musicians will be playing, including Tommy Martin, Bart Trotter, Randy Jones, Frank Potter, James and Cindy Hobbs, Tyler Jones with Dirty Jones Unplugged, Rich Chorné, Aaron LaCombe, Tomás Vigil, Hillbilly Potentates, Wayne and Lou Ann Ellison, Lanny Maddox, Blake Martin, Chris Miles, Terry Bullard and many other friends.

On this Mother's Day, bring Mom out for a special treat. There will be a live auction and donations are still being sought.

For more information, phone Randy Jones, 937-1906; Bart Trotter, 973-2566; or the Flying J Ranch at 336-4330.



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ARTIST SKETCH

Jan Kennedy

Jan Kennedy was able to take early retirement in 2003 and relocated from Arizona to Ruidoso. One day while visiting relatives back in Arizona, she saw a gourd artist demonstrating her craft and knew instantly she had to find out more about this natural and versatile canvas.

A self-taught artist, Kennedy has taken workshops from some of the finest and most sought after gourd artists available in California, Arizona and New Mexico, allowing her to bring a wealth of new techniques and skills to her gourd art.

Gourds offer the opportunity for her to carve, wood burn, weave, apply inlay, as well as use various processes with paints, stains and inks (often on the same piece) in the creation of her original and stunning gourd art.

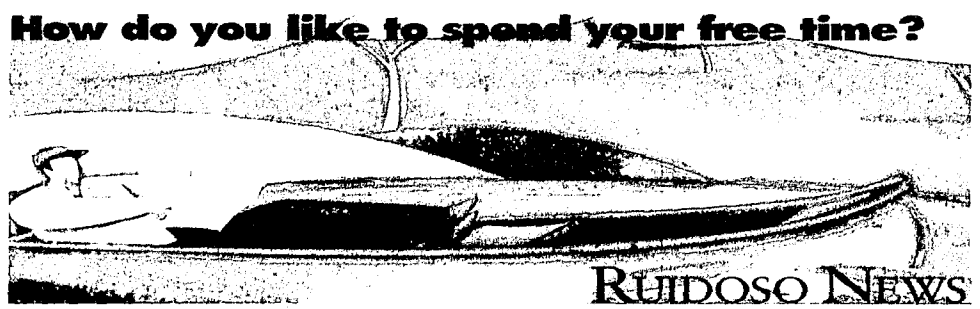
She has transformed gourds into vessels, masks, bowls, spirit dolls, free-form mixed media pieces, seasonal ornamental pieces, wearable gourd jewelry and the like.

Kennedy says she usually starts a piece with an idea that has come to her, however most generally the piece does not end up exactly as planned. During the creative process, the gourd talks to her and she listens. The only boundaries are within one's own imagination. The results are unique to each gourd.

Kennedy is a member of the New Mexico Gourd Society and the Texas Gourd Society. She has participated in shows through those organizations and also some local shows and art studio tours.

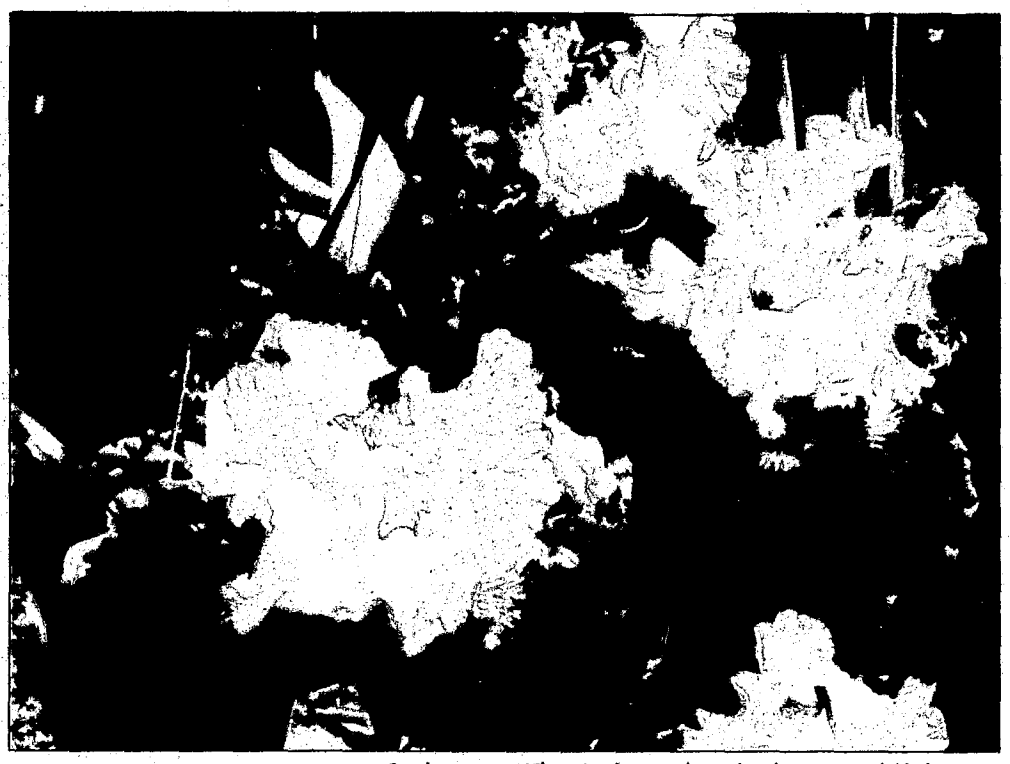
Her works are currently on display at Compass Bank on Sudderth Drive as part of the RRCA's Art in Public Places program. More of Kennedy's gourd art can also be seen at www.newmexicogourdsociety.org.

Call 575-258-2606 or stop by her studio, "Simply Gourdacious" (by appointment only) to see more of her work in progress.



LET'S GO!

It's Mother's Day - and the iris are blooming



A record number of visitors are expected this year at the Hondo Iris Farm during May, the height of the iris-blooming season.

According to Alice Seely, the resident horticulturist, the iris bloom this year should be particularly spectacular. "After seven years, we have a large, hearty variety of iris, they come in hundreds of colors and variations of colors.

"Moreover, the iris rhizomes have an exceptional growth because of the heavy rains last fall. We have introduced lots of new iris with exciting new variations in color." (Seely is especially excited that she is getting closer to finding an iris she has been searching for the past five years – a dusky salmon-colored iris she saw as a child growing up in Santa Fe.)

Seely says, "That is the iris I dream about." She has quite a few that are almost there. "I am hoping that an iris named Cheyenne Sky will be the one, but I have to wait for it to bloom."

The garden is one of the most beautiful gardens in New Mexico. The garden blooms all summer. During April, May and part of June, it is filled with hundreds of blooming iris: prize-winning Bearded, Dutch, Spuria, dwarfs, bicolor and variegated. (Visitors, who are so inclined, may order their favorite iris for August delivery or pick up.)

During the other summer months, lilies, poppies, wildflowers and other varieties of native plants are in full bloom.

Visitors are invited to sit and relax on the "hummingbird porch," watch hummingbirds and the hundred or so goldfish in the pond, listen to the quiet gurgle of the fountain, and enjoy a panoramic view of the Hondo Valley.

Ladies are invited to borrow one of their "Victorian Parasols" for their stroll through the gardens.

During the height of the iris bloom, visitors come from hundreds of miles to visit the farm, many making annual pilgrimages to see their favorite flowers and shop at the gallery. Many have commented that their Iris Farm visit was the highlight of their trip to Southern New Mexico.

The Iris Farm Gallery is located in a 2,100-square-foot building, part of which is an old shepherd's house, made of adobe, and dating back to the late 1800s. The older part of the building, with its hand-hewn ceiling beams, interesting architecture and tile work, is itself worth the visit.

The gallery features Alice Seely's artistry. Seely is a New Mexico artist of Anglo, Hispanic and Native American descent. She grew up in Santa Fe and knew many of the famous local artists in the '40s and '50s.

Both her father and stepfather, a Navajo Indian, were recognized artists and Alice is a painter, sculptor and jewelry and textile designer. The gallery features her work along with the work of dozens of other craftspeople from around the world.

The gallery's main entrance features Seely's jewelry: hundreds of necklaces, pins, pendants, earrings and decorated boxes. She sells her jewelry to more than 365 museum gift shops, galleries, national parks, airport stores and boutiques in the United States and Canada.

Her pewter jewelry is handmade at the Iris Farm Annex on Highway 70, at mile marker 286 (open Tuesday-Friday, 8-5, for free factory tours.)

The gallery has a large collection of nativity scenes from around the world, even a shipment of nativity scenes from Africa, expected to arrive any day. Alice's special challenge is to find unique nativity scenes that haven't been seen by collectors, and offer them at affordable prices.

One surprising feature of the gallery is the exciting selection of women's clothing and purses Seely purchases at the many trade shows she attends selling her jewelry and textiles around the country.

This year, the gallery is featuring a display of Alice's hand-embroidered wall hangings, pillows and purses. (She has them hand-embroidered in Kashmere, India.) Thirty-five of Seely's wall hangings were purchased by the famous Encore Hotel in Las Vegas where they are framed and displayed in the public areas.

Mothers are particularly welcome this Mother's Day weekend. Admission is free, and the farm is open from 10-5, Tuesday through Sunday. The farm is located just off of Highway 70 at mile marker 284 (between Ruidoso and Roswell).

The location is clearly marked by a blue sign alongside the highway.

You may phone 575-653-4062 for more information, or visit their Web site, www.hondoirisfarm.com for a look at the farm.

See you there.

LET'S GO!

Red Feather presents

The ever-ambitious Red Feather Theatre Company closes out their season this weekend, presenting a final opportunity to see three outstanding plays.

Red Feather productions are student-driven, with creative efforts both onstage and behind the amazing sets created in collaboration with the Woodshop and Art classes at RHS. Showtimes are 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, and 5 p.m. on Sunday with tickets available at the door.

This weekend, the young thespians present a fantasy, a fairytale and a farce, all within the same evening, complete with stunning sets and some fine acting.

Cathleen Ni Hoolihan

The opening show is *Cathleen Ni Hoolihan*, which was written by poet William Butler Yeats. The setting is Ireland for this short but beautifully poetic play, wherein a mysterious old woman comes to a house on the evening before a young man is to be married, while threats of war rage outside.

She is Cathleen Ni Hoolihan, a symbol of Irish patriotism, who walks through the land gathering the support of men and boys to aid her in battle.

Her message of "They shall be remembered forever" is particularly poignant today as we remember our young men and women who are fighting for their country.

Spinning Straw Into Gold

The second play is *Spinning Straw Into Gold*, by Georgene Inks, the Ruidoso High group's drama instructor.

This weekend's repertory production of three plays by the Red Feather Theatre Company is a must-see, and is the final chance for the year to support Ruidoso's young theatre group. Above, in Cathleen Ni Hoolihan, l-r, Hannah Kashmar, Zach Dotson and Gage Whipple. Below left, in Spinning Straw into Gold, l-r, are Dennis Quintana, Gage Whipple, Lauren Flores and Josie Parsons.

This is a hysterical adventure based on the tale of Rumplestiltzkin and features some very fine acting along with plenty of comedy. The cast features a king, a queen, a prince, the lovely miller's daughter, and of course, old Rump himself. There's even a talking bird and lots of Shakespeare.

Too Many Doctors

The third play in the group is a farce, *Too Many Doctors*, based on a work by Moliere. The setting is France in the 16th century, and the costumes are sumptuous while the comedy is timeless. The story is of a hypochondriac miser who wishes to marry off his young daughter to a doctor so he will have a personal physician. He is joined by a diverse cast of characters who wind their way through deception, comedy and, of course, love.

These productions are wonderful for the whole family and promise an evening out you will not forget. They take place at the Ruidoso Schools Performing Arts Center at 125 Warrior Dr., on the high school campus.

For more on the company, visit their Web site at www.ruidososchools.-org/redfeather.

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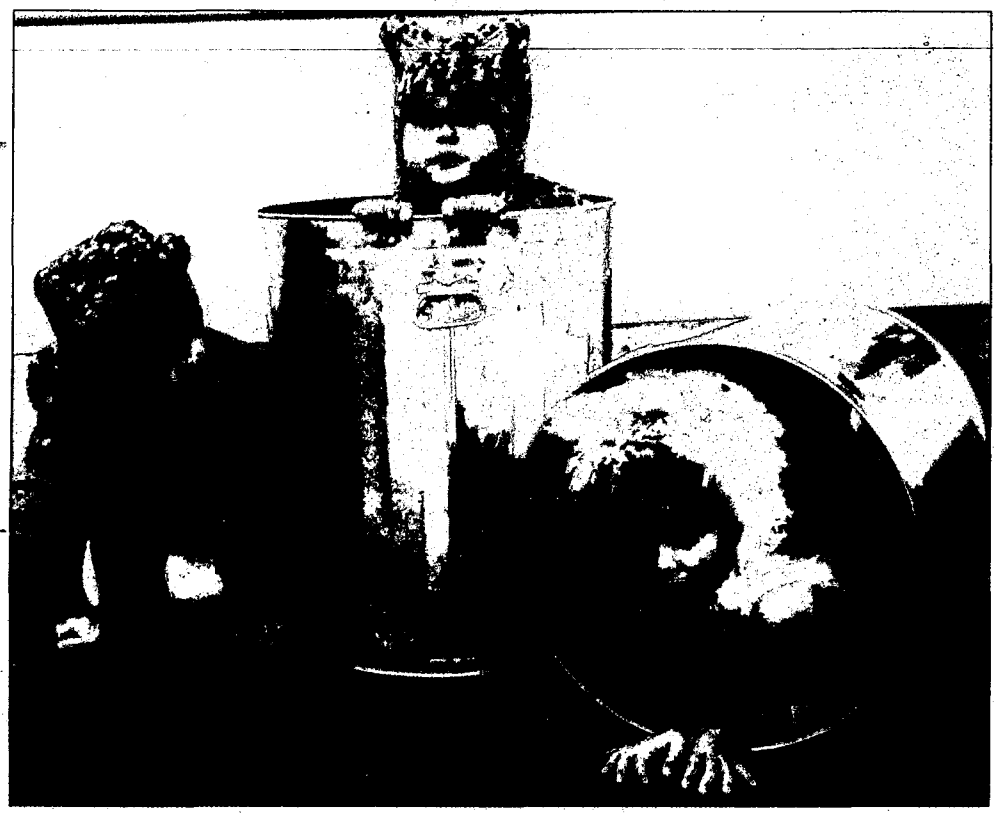
'Reel Dancin'



Ruidoso Dance Ensemble will be presenting its 3rd annual dance recital called "Reel Dancin' " at the Ruidoso Schools Performing Arts Center on Friday, May 15, at 7 p.m.

More than 60 local dancers will be tapping, jazzing and twirling in tutus to music from the movies. This high-energy show promises to entertain everyone of all ages. The tickets are only $5 and can be purchased at the Ruidoso Dance Ensemble, 1713 Sudderth Dr., or at the door the day of the show. Their last two shows completely sold out, so don't wait to get your tickets. For more information, call 257-3753.

Above are, l-r, Sierra Trapp, Alicia Stewart and Emily Musgrave.

At the Hubbard

The Hubbard Museum is pleased to announce that a special music program titled, "Jammin' to the Oldies: An Afternoon of Rock & Roll Music" will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 16, in the Johnny & Marty Cope Learning Center.

There is no charge for the concert aside from regular general admission fees to the Museum. Members of the Museum will receive free entry to the program and to the museum as well. Seating is limited to the first 125 patrons.

It all started back in the '50s – the strange new mix of soul, rhythm & blues, jazz, black and white gospel, and country & western music took hold of the younger generation.

In 1951, Cleveland, Ohio, disc jockey Alan Freed is credited with first using the phrase "rock and roll" to describe this music. The massive popularity of the new genre provided a unique social impact, influencing lifestyles, fashions, attitudes and language.

Norman Petty was an American musician, songwriter and pioneer record producer of the Southwest who helped shape this modern popular music in his small recording studio in Clovis, New Mexico. Buddy Holly and Roy Orbison helped create the "Clovis Sound," and other artists like the Fireballs ("Sugar Shack") and Waylon Jennings recorded there. Local musicians gather for a nostalgic look back at this fabulous era in music, discussing their experiences and presenting selections originally recorded during this golden age of music.

"We are very excited about this program," commented Jay Smith, director of the Hubbard Museum. "The music will be fantastic – the surprise guests and local musicians have an excellent program put together that includes some of the great early rock and roll tracks produced at the world famous Norm Petty studio in Clovis. This will be a terrific program for families – but be sure to get here early as there are limited seats available and not a lot of standing room."

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

Admission to the Museum is $6 for adults, and reduced admission is available for senior citizens, military personnel and youth. Visit their Web site at www.hubbardmuseum.org or call 378-4142 for information about other events, exhibits and activities at the Museum.

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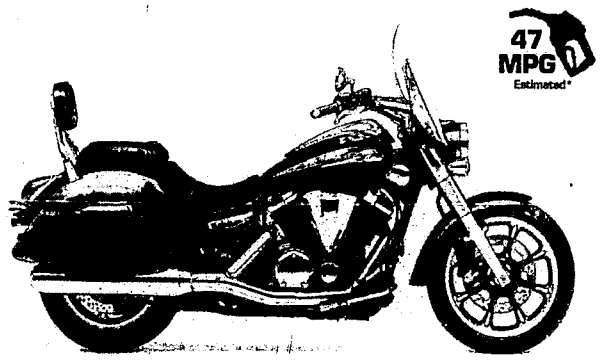

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lp & Healing

A.L. (Help End Abuse for Life): Domestic violence shelnd hotline: 1-866-378-6378.

non: Meets at 10:30 a.m. every Saturday and 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at 1216 Mechem Dr., Unit 5, second floor, oso; Info: 258-8885.

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holics Anonymous: 7:30 a.m., noon, 5:15 p.m. daily; 8 Fri, Sat, Sun, at 1216 Mechem Dr., Unit 5, second , Ruidoso; Info: 258-8885.

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ntain High Recovery Group of Narcotics Anonymous: ts Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays 7 p.m. at Ruidoso ns First Baptist Church, 361 Highway 70 East.

Dependents Anonymous: 6:30 p.m. Mondays at Holy int Episcopal Church in Ruidoso. Info: 808-2959.

Addicts Anonymous: 5:30 p.m. Thursdays at the scopal Church Parish Hall meeting room, 121 calero Trail. Info: 653-4937.

ac Disease/Gluten Intolerance Support Group: Meets ond and fourth Sundays of each month, 2-3:30 p.m., in conference room of ERA-Simmons Real Estate, 918 n St., Alamogordo. Info: Kathie at 437-0603, Robin at -9419, or email paintedladies64@yahoo.com.

ourse in Miracles Study Group: Each Tuesday; 5:30 . High Mesa Healing Center, 336-7777.

eavement or Grief Support: For the commuunity. Call doso Home Care & Hospice Foundation. Info: 258-8.

ditation Practice: First Wednesday of each month; 6:30 . High Mesa Healing Center, 336-7777.

n Circle: Each Sunday; 9:30 a.m. at High Mesa Healing ter, 336-7777.

enting Classes: Counseling Center Prevention Program ilitates all parents seeking to enhance parenting skills, olve issues and prevent substance use. Families with dren ages 5-17 years of age that complete all requirents of the class qualify for a $150 stipend. Qualifications info: Brenda Motley-Lopez or Salli Mason at 257-0520.

ents of addicted children: New Name Ministry offers p for parents of addicted children. For appointment, one 802-0263 in Ruidoso and leave a message. Payment ree-will offering appreciated.

epared Childbirth Classes: Meets at 7 p.m. Tuesdays the Lincoln County Medical Center's conference om. Six classes per session with qualified, certified tructors; Info: 257-7381 (ask for OB dept.).

ence of Mind Study Group: Each second and fourth turday; 10:30 a.m.-noon; High Mesa Healing Center, 6-7777.

amanic Journeys: Third Wednesday of each month; 7 m. at high Mesa Healing Center, 336-7777.

Stretch & Tone Class: For men and women of all ages, 9-1 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Senior Center, 501 Sudderth; RSVP Terry Franklin, 257-4565.

Temple Builders Weight Loss Support Group: Thursdays at 6-6:30 p.m. at Angus Church; no dues or food purchase, just friendly support and accountability; weigh-in followed by short devotional. Info: 336-8032.

Wisdom Circle: Each second and fourth Wednesday; 6:30 p.m. High Mesa Healing Center, 336-7777.

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.

Carrizozo Women's Club: Second Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. at the clubhouse at 11th and D Avenue; Info: Tona Macken, 354-0769.

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; No charge and all are welcome; Info: 257-4625.

Lincoln County Bird Club: Monthly field trips are scheduled at various times. For more information, call 257-5352 or 258-3862.

Lincoln County Garden Club: Meets every third Tuesday of the month at 9:45 a.m.; New members and visitors welcome; Info: Joyce, 258-4663, or Elena, 258-3724.

Lincoln County Right to Life Chapter: 6:30 p.m. every second Tuesday at 309 L.L. Davis Dr. All are welcome; Info: 258-5108.

Mountaintop Turners: Woodturning club, 10 a.m. every third Saturday at the woodshop of Steve and Madeleine Sabo. Info: 354-0201.

Otero County Association of Educational Retirees: Meets at 11:30 a.m. every third Tuesday. All Lincoln and Otero County educational retirees welcome. For info: Linda, 336-1225, or Lucy, 437-8874.

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 Area Singles: Want to meet new friends for social activities – dining out, parties, potlucks, outings, etc.? New group is forming. Info: Judy, 430-7870, or Martha, 430-9808.

Ruidoso Book Review/Discussion Group: Meets first Wednesday each month at 10 a.m.; Ruidoso Public Library, 107 Kansas City Rd. Public is welcome.

Ruidoso Federated Woman's Club: Meets every Monday; program varies. Potluck and bridge/card games. Second Monday (Sept.-May) includes program, business meeting, potluck, bridge/card games at 116 S. Evergreen.

Ruidoso Masonic Lodge No. 73: Meets first Monday of each month, 7:30 p.m., except national holidays, then moves to second Monday. Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Info: 258-3598.

Ruidoso Mommies Group: Want to meet other moms? Come join the Ruidoso Mommies group at 5:45 p.m., Tuesdays, at Community United Methodist Church, 220 Junction Rd. (no religious affiliation); Come alone or bring the kiddos. Info: Natasha at 640-7076, or Alice at 258-3331.

Ruidoso Ridge Runners 4-Wheel Drive Club: Meets first Wed of each month at K-BOB's. Dinner at 6 p.m. and meeting at 7. Info: 336-2714 or 378-4853.

Education

ESL classes: English as a Second Language classes sponsored by ENMU-Ruidoso Adult Basic Education; Mon-Thu, 9:30-11:30 a.m. at Nob Hill Portable G on El Paso Rd.; Mon, Tue, Thu, 6-8 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church; Spanish language GED Mon, 6-8 p.m. at Nob Hill Portable G on El Paso Rd.

First Friday Adult Lecture Series: Monthly, Capitan Public Library, free. Info: 354-3035.

GED classes: Sponsored by ENMU-Ruidoso Adult Basic Education; Mon-Fri, 9-11 and Mon-Tues, 5:30-7:30, at NM Workforce Connection in Compass Bank Bldg., 707 Mechem..

La Junta F.C.E.: 10:45 a.m. every third Wednesday at San Patricio Senior Citizens building. Info: 653-4718.

Veterans

American Legion Robert J. Hagee Post 79: 11 a.m. every third Saturday, 101 Spring St. at Hwy. 70, Ruidoso Downs; Info: 257-6757.

VFW Post 1207: Meets at the Ruidoso Evening Lions Club, behind Chef Lupe's Restaurant on Sudderth Drive in Ruidoso. Info: email theboss@-RuidosoToday.com.

VFW Post 12071: Ladies Auxiliary meets at Ruidoso Evening Lions Club, behind Chef Lupe's Restaurant on Sudderth Drive in Ruidoso. Info: Kelly Fouse at 575-430-8531.

Service Organizations

Altrusa Club: 5:30 p.m. every first Tuesday for program; Noon every third Tuesday for lunch; Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount, 121 Mescalero Trail; Organization ifo: Jill, 336-1339.

Boy Scouts of America, Troop 52: 6:20 p.m. every other Wednesday; Angus Church of the Nazarene. Info: 808-1172.

Boy Scouts of America, Troop 59: 6 p.m. every Monday, Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount. Info: Mark, 378-5623.

B.P.O. Elks No. 2086: 7 p.m., first and third Thursdays, Elks Lodge Building, U.S. 70; Info: 257-2607.

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Capitan Smokey Bear Lions Club: 5:30 p.m. every Thursday at Smokey Bear Restaurant. Info: Lion Bob Callender, 575-258-1345 or 575-937-7911.

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.

Fort Stanton Musem: Call for volunteers; if you would like to become involved in volunteering at Fort Stanton Musem, join the 6 p.m. potluck on Monday, Sept. 15, at Innsbruck Village Club House; food provided. Info: Susie Berend, 937-9380.

Friends of Capitan Library: Call for volunteers for Not 2 Shabby Thrift Shop. Info: Raynene, 354-3046 or library, 354-3035.

Humane Society of Lincoln County: Shelter on Gavilan Canyon Road open Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri 11 a.m.-4 p.m. and Sat 11-2; ReSale Shop at the 'Y' open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Mon-Sat; Info: 378-1040.

Kiwanis: Tuesdays at noon at K-BOB's; Rutalee, 258-1431

Laughing Eyes Kennels: 501(c)(3) nonprofit breeder and trainer of Service Dogs in Nogal seeks volunteers to assist with dog handling & puppy socialization, bookkeeping, fundraising and kennel upkeep/management. Info: www.lekennels.org or 575-354-4342.

Lincoln County Community Health Council: 8 a.m. first Tuesday of each month at Community United Methodist Church, 220 Junction Rd. New members welcome. Info: 973-1829.

Lincoln County Medical Center Auxiliary: 9:30 a.m. second Tuesday of each month in the hospital conference room. New volunteers welcome. Info: 630-4250.

Lincoln County Sheriff's Posse: Meets first Sunday each month at 2 p.m. at the Posse building, Hwy. 54, in Carrizozo. Groups needing their volunteer security services, notify by mail one month (but not less than two weeks) prior to the monthly meeting. Send to P.O. Box 1784, Capitan, NM 88316. Info: 888-663-7029.

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 K-BOB's. New members always welcome; 257-5938 or 258-9218.

PEO (Philanthropic Educational Organization) Chapter AR: Meeting every second and fourth Tuesdays. Phone Jennie Powell at 258-3896 for information.

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 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: Third Thursday of each month. Info: 258-3045.

Zia Girl Scout Council: 6 p.m. every third Thursday at the Cherokee Mobile Village Clubhouse on U.S. 70. Info: 437-2921.

White Mountain Search & Rescue: 7 p.m. every third Monday at First Christian Church near the intersection of Hull and Gavilan Canyon Roads. Info: email whitemountainsar@gmail.com, visit www.whitemountainsar.org or phone 866-596-8382..

Political

Democratic Party of Lincoln County: Monthly metings first Thursday of each month except Jan., July and Sept.; 6 p.m. meeting; Info: 973-7505, or Maria, 937-8394.

Federated Republican Women of Lincoln County: May meeting will be May 18, at 11:30 a.m., at Cree Meadows Country Club. Speakers will be Zack Cook and Dennis Kintigh. RSVP to 653-4379.

Republican Party of Lincoln County: Meetings at Cree Meadows Country Club; info, 336-7038.

LET'S GO!

At the Flick

The John Jorgenson Quintet performs Saturday, May 9, at the Flickinger Center for Performing Arts. The show starts at 7:30 p.m.

"John Jorgenson is so closely associated with the music of Django Reinhardt that he was tapped to play the role of the Gypsy jazz master in the film Head in the Clouds. Jorgenson goes all-out in his cameo role as the leader of the Hot Club of France, sporting a pencil mustache, greased-back black hair, and even faux burned left-hand fingers."

– Barry Cleveland, *Guitar Player Magazine*

"I know anyone who comes to this show will be so pleased they will be asking when he is coming back," says Ken Weir, executive director of the Flickinger.

This is a premier series event. Admission is $25, $18 and $10. Advance tickets are available from the Flickinger Center Monday – Friday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

They may also be purchased in person or by telephone (with a Visa or MasterCard). Tickets will also be available at the door the night of the performance.

The box office opens at 6:30 p.m. the night of the show/dance.

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Chamber festiva

This summer, the Chamber Music Festival in Ruidoso moves to the Spencer Theater in Alto.

"We survey everyone who attends a Festival concert," Dan Hood, Chamber Music Festival board president, said. "Many of them suggested that we move to the Spencer Theater, and this year everything seemed to work together to make that happen."

The star attraction of this year's Festival will be the Gold Medalist from the 2009 Van Cliburn International Piano Competition. "We'd love to announce his or her name," Hood said, "but the medals won't be awarded until June. It's unusual to arrange a concert to be given by what amounts to a "mystery performer.' But we're pleased to bring such an excellent and prestigious musician to Ruidoso. The concert will be one of the performer's first concerts in his or her four-year reign as Gold Medalist."

The concert is Aug. 8 at 8 p.m. The Fabulous Festival Fling, the organization's fundraising event, will be in the theater's Crystal Lobby from 6 to 7:30 p.m., immediately before the Van Cliburn concert. Refreshments w be provided by area restaurants including the Hummingbird Tea Room

"We encourage our local patrons to order tic ets early," Hood said. "Already it looks like we may be sold out."

Other Festival events include a free concert ta at the Ruidoso Public Library Aug. 7 at noon. The Chamber Music for Children concert, with p formers Willy Sucre & Friends, is Aug. 8, at 11 a.m., at the Spencer.

57th Annual Fiesta de Hondo 2009

Hondo Valley Public Schools

SATURDAY, MAY 16, 2009

Performance will begin at 6:00 p.m. with the Elementary Program.

Enjoy an incredible evening of outstanding performances from grades HeadStart – 12th. There will be over 100 dancers in colorful costumes that will be performing Spanish, Mexican and New Mexican Dances.

Enchilada Dinner is served from 4-6:00 pm and after the performance in the school cafeteria. Cost $5.00 per plate for adults $3.00 per plate for children up to age 12.

OPEN ADMISSION

Admission: Adults $7.00

Students $5.00

To reserve tickets please call 575-653-4411.

Art Galleries & Studios

Lincoln County

Art and Artifact • 107 S. Lincoln • Capitan • 354-2316.

Audrey Paton's Antiques & Interiors at Gallery 401 • 401 Twelfth St. • Carrizozo • 648-2762.

Earthly Greens & Ran La Loca Glass • Lincoln, NM • Open 10-6 daily • 800-386-1258 • Fine art fused glass paintings.

Fruit of the Trees Gallery • Highway 380 in Lincoln • 653-4699.

Gaer Barlow Gallery • 560 Highway 48, Capitan • Featuring Cheryl Barlow's impressionistic portraitures, many of the Old West * Bronze and clay figurative sculptures • www.-GaerBarlowGallery.com.

Gallery 408 • 408 12th Street • Carrizozo • 575-648-2598 • Fine art; annual Burro Serenade; Backroom Gift Gallery; 2nd Floor Studios; Artist Residency and Classes; visit www.gallery408.com.

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 chain-saw 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 at mile marker 281 • San Patricio • Home of five artists spanning three generations. Featuring works by N.C. Wyeth, Andrew Wyeth, Henriette Wyeth Hurd, Peter Hurd and Michael Hurd. • 800-658-6912, or 653-4331.

James Mack Studio • 1002 B Ave. • Carrizozo • 648-5203.

J. Kiker Gallery • Highway 70 MM 284 in Old Hondo • Featuring John Kiker's oil landscapes of New Mexico, the Hondo Valley and beyond. • Open by appointment only. Phone 653-4510, or contact jkikergallery@yahoo.com.

Moondance Gallery • Central White Oaks • 648-2319 • Hand-crafted furniture, jewelry, traditional tinwork, Southwest artifacts.

Oso Art • 100 Lincoln Ave., Capitan • 354-2327 • Art at its best from more than 100 Lincoln County artists • Eclectic blend of wall art, sculpture, jewelry, wood furniture and more • Tuesday-Saturday 10-6; Sunday 10-5.

Unique Creations • 354-1041 • Custom furniture, etched and stained glass • By appointment only.

White Oaks Pottery • 4 mi. NE of White Oak Township • Ivy Heymann • 648-2985 • Open 10 a.m. - 5.p.m. Closed on Thursday.

ZW's Gallery • Highway 37 W, MM 4.7 (the road to Nogal) • 354-4263.

Ruidoso Area

The Adobe • 2905 Sudderth • 257-5795 • www.theadobefineart.com • Fine art, jewelry, decoratives.

Alice Royer Jewelry Studio • Highway 37 W (4.75 marker at Loma Grande subdivision • 937-4263 • one-of-a-kind contemporary silver and rare stone jewelry, individually handcrafted and designed • workshops available • by appointment only.

Ann Buell's Fine Art • 2825 Sudderth • 257-9102 • www.annbuellfineart.com • Original fine art paintings and sculpture. Artists include Martha Kellar, Charles N. Pruitt, Ann Templeton and many more.

The Art Gallery • 1712 Sudderth • 257-7272 • Featuring original works by regional independent artists. Home of the Ruidoso Regional Council for the Arts office.

Backdoor – the knight-mark collection • 2808 Sudderth Dr. • Hand-picked furnishings, Italian textiles, artwork and more luxuries for the home • 257-2270

California Colors Art Gallery • 201 Country Club Dr. • 257-1964.

The Camel House • 1690 Highway 70 East • Ruidoso Downs • 378-7065 • Prints, framing..

DJ's Jewelry • 618 Carrizo Canyon • 630-1514 • Hand-crafted silver and semi-precious stones, Southwest style.

Earth & Stone • 2117 Sudderth • 257-2768 • Pottery by Alan Miner. Thrown vessels, tableware, vessel sinks, platters, sculpted pieces. Watch the artist at work.

Galleria West • 2538 Sudderth • 257-4560 • Fine art, gifts, artisan jewelry, knives, fetishes.

GD Garrett Fine Art • 2306 Sudderth • 257-7695 • Studio and gallery of wildlife painter Gary Garrett.

J. Mauritsen Studio • 624 Carrizo Canyon Rd. • 257-6348 • Wood carver transforms tree trunks into fine art, furniture.

Josie's Framery • 2917 Sudderth • 257-4156 • High quality, affordable & custom framing and local art.

Kindred Spirit • 2306 Sudderth • 257-3846.

Leroy Anderson Studio • 1125 Highway 37 (downtown Nogal) • 354-4242 • Handcrafted silver jewelry, beadwork, rattles and copper sculpture.

Many Moons Jewelry • 2501 Sudderth • 630-9201 • Hand-crafted silver.

McGary's Studio / Expressions in Bronze Gallery • 2002 Sudderth • 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., Monday - Saturday • 257-1000 • Gallery and finishing studio for world-renowned bronze artist famous for Native-American figures.

Mountain Arts Gallery • 2530 Sudderth • 257-9748 • Southwest art, prints & originals, pottery, custom framing. Resident artist: Teri Sodd.

Picture This Gallery • 2621 Sudderth • 630-0003 • Prints and framing.

Piñon Pottery • 3 miles east of Wal-Mart on Highway 70 • Ruidoso Downs • 378-4270 • (800) 378-4275 • Studio & gallery of Vicki Conley, also shows work by other locals. Thrown pottery and sculpted ceramic for architectural accents.

Rainwaters • 2313 Sudderth • 257-8727 • Gifts, jewelry, candles & collectibles.

Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts • Highway 220, 12 miles north of Ruidoso off U.S. 48 • 336-4800 • Dale Chihuly glass art installation • Tours 10 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday include behind-the-scenes look at theater.

Square Moon Gallery • 2825 Sudderth Dr., Ste. E, Boulder Plaza • Beautiful hand-blown and fused art glass, original chalk pastels, and more. • 257-8549.

Studio-W • 1311 Mechem • 258-1117 • www.Studio-W.com • 10 a.m. - 6 p.m., Wed. - Sat.; 12 - 6 p.m., Sun; Closed Mon. & Tues. • Representing more than 100 artists showing more than 500 pieces.

Tanner Tradition • 624 Sudderth Dr. • 257-8675 • Since 1872, the Tanner family has traded in quality Native American art and jewelry • one-of-a-kind pieces, contemporary and vintage.

White Dove Gallery • 2825 Sudderth, Ste. A • 257-6609 or 866-257-6609 • Specializing in Native-American jewelry, art, pottery and kachinas. Open daily since 1988.

White Mountain Pottery • 2328 Sudderth • 257-3644 • Tableware, lamps & accessories. Representing the works of Tim Wierwille and other local potters.

The Zuni • 2621 Sudderth • (800) 275-4908 • 257-2440.

Alamogordo Area

About Frames • 1602 10th St. • 434-4494 • Fine art prints and custom framing. Dave Beach and Susie Hopkins, proprietors. Open Tuesday-Friday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday by appointment.

Accents in Glass • 434-4182 • Jo Austin's original art glass designs using fused glass, stained glass, mosaics, 3-D, leaded panels, and jewelry. Jo Austin, proprietor. Web: www.accentsinglassbyjo.-com.

Pat Beatty Gallery and Framing, 908 New York Ave., Alamogordo • 439-0188 • Monday - Saturday, 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. • Fine art, work by local artists, gifts, hand-painted cards. Pat Beatty, proprietor.

Copeland's Frame Shop and Gallery, DBA Sketchbook Tours • 622 9th St. (corner of 9th and Texas Ave.) • 575-551-4632 (shop) • 575-442-9594 (victoria) • 575-430-7921 (Michael) • www.michaelcopeland.com • www.sketchbooktours.com.

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 a variety of local and regional artists. Marianne and George Schweers, proprietors.

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 lamp-shades made on location. Studio tours available.

Mescalero

Jordan T. Gallery • 464-2338 • Carrizo Canyon Rd. at the Mescalero Inn • Featuring Mescalero Apache fine art (paintings, sculpture and crafts) and other work by Mescalero artists.

N'de Fine Arts Gallery • U.S. Highway 70 • 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.

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Art Galleries & Studios

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Cloudcroft

Bear Track • 502 Burro Ave. • 682-3046 • Native American arts & 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 Gallery • 502A Burro Ave. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. • 682-3659 • Original paintings, pottery and glass. Unusual handmade gifts. David and Donna Gordon, 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, metalwork and home décor.

Tularosa

Adobe Daubers Arts & Crafts Gallery • 275-B Central Ave. • 585-2084.

Coffee & More at Tularosa Dry Goods • 308 Granado St. • 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.

Studio 54@70 • Art Studio & Gallery • 1201 St. Francis Dr., Tularosa • 575-585-5470 • www.studio54at70.com • Hours: Tu-Th: 10-5; Fri & Sat: 10-7; Sun 10-4; closed Mondays.

LITERA & ART

'Library Bear'

A reception for the viewing of Anita Keegan's painting "Library Bear" will be held Tuesday, May 12, 3 to 4 p.m. at the Ruidoso Public Library.

"Library Bear" is a beautiful painting Keegan created especially for the library, then gifted to both the library and the Friends of the Library. Josie Powell, board president of the Ruidoso Regional Council for the Arts and owner of Josie's Framery, donated the framing of the painting.

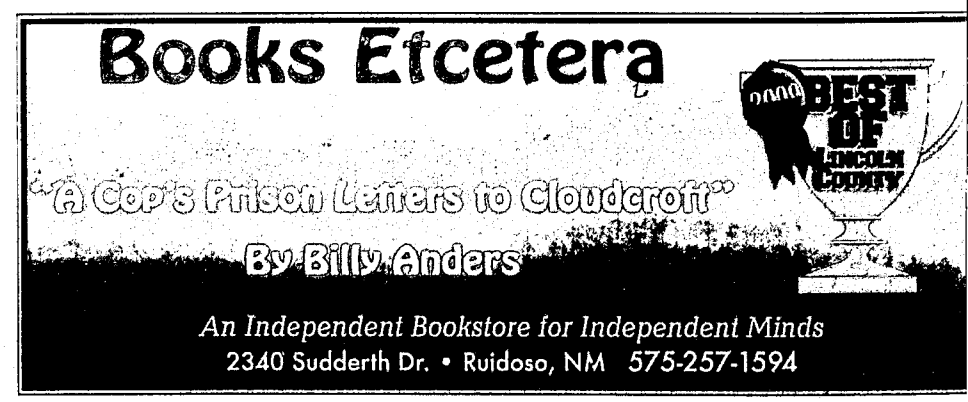
The Friends of the Library is having the reception with punch and cookies to introduce the public to the painting. Keegan, Powell, the Friends of the Library Board and all of the Ruidoso Public Library staff will be present at the reception. Also, the Friends will have prints of "Library Bear" available for purchase, with all monies going to their non-profit library fund.

Keegan moved to Ruidoso from Southern California approximately five years ago. She has a deep respect for the natural world and incorporates that love into her paintings. Keegan learned to paint scenes of the surrounding landscapes and its wildlife with classes from Lorene Caywood of Capitan as well as in various workshops throughout the U. She professes to be an a reader and therefore reta her special love for libraries from childhood.

Her first library-them painting was donated to the Capitan Public Libra

Ruidoso Public Libra is located at 107 Kansas City Rd.

Pictured bove, Becky Baker, President of the Friends of the Library; Anita Keegan, artist; Josi Powell, Josie's Framery; a Beverly McFarland, Director of the Ruidoso Public Library.



ASTRONOMY

It's been a long road

In Our Skies

by Alan Hale
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Astronomer

This past Saturday morning, ay 2, found s author ris- early in his tel room in uth or nsequences, M. Shortly ereafter, a ve in the rly morning rkness led to e local high hool, and m there he ng with any others de buses out to an open tch of desert an hour's ve south of town.

Not too long after rival, a countdown gan to ensue, and pre- sely on time at 8 a.m., a all rocket one mile way lifted off and quickly cended into the morning nlight. This particular cket was built by the m UP Aerospace, and rried within its payload a ries of atmospheric easurement experiments signed and built by gional university and gh school students.

Although the rocket dn't quite reach its pected maximum height approximately 75 miles, was nevertheless a suc- ssful flight – and thus a omising early beginning operations at Spaceport merica and its inaugural ducation Launch.

For those of us who ve been involved with e Spaceport from its ear- st days, it has indeed en a very long road. Although in some respects it had its origins well before then, in a real sense it began in the early 1990s when a group of forward-looking individuals, mindful of New Mexico's space heritage and its many logistical and climate advantages, began to propose and advocate for the development of a commercial spaceport in this region. The entire concept was designed in part to take advantage of what was foreseen as an eventual growing market in the development of commercial spaceflight.

At first glance, an inland spaceport like that envisioned for New Mexico has one distinct disadvantage when compared to coastal locations like Florida and California: for obvious reasons it cannot handle expendable rockets, i.e., stages and boosters that are dropped to the ground once they are used up.

However, even back at that time the development of fully reusable launch rockets was already underway, and an early prototype of such a vehicle, the single-stage Delta Clipper-Experimental (DC-X), underwent a remarkable series of demonstration and test flights at White Sands Missile Range during the mid-1990s.

During the journey down that long road, the spaceport has faced its fair share of obstacles, including the omnipresent funding and regulatory hurdles. It has also had its share of both successes and setbacks; for example, the firm Lockheed Martin which had won the contract for the X-33 experimental rocket had committed to launch its follow-on commercial vehicle VentureStar out of the New Mexico spaceport, however the X-33 program was cancelled in 2001.

A major success came with the landing of the contract from the X-Prize Foundation for an annual series of "X-Prize Cup" events here, and an early series of such events were held at venues in southern New Mexico from 2005 through 2007. While future events are in a bit of a holding pattern for the time being, the feasibility of holding such future events at a New Mexico spaceport location has indeed been demonstrated.

An even bigger client has now been brought into the fold, with the British firm Virgin Galactic just recently signing a 20-year lease to base its operations at the New Mexico spaceport (which has recently been re-christened "Spaceport America"). Virgin Galactic will be offering ticketed passenger rides on suborbital space flights, and in fact is expected to begin operations within about two years.

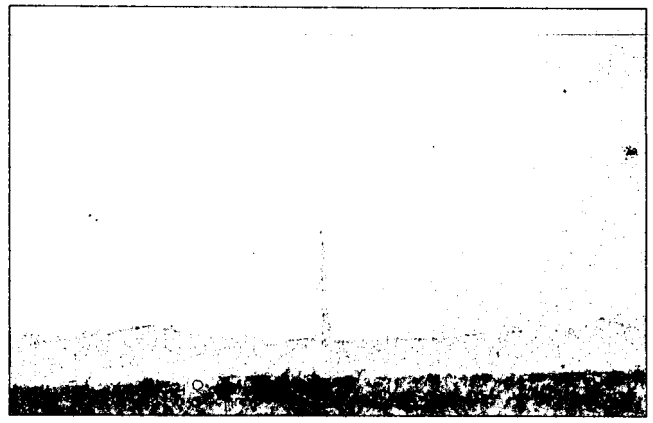
In the meantime, other clients have been and are being brought on board, including UP Aerospace which supplied the launch rocket for Saturday's Educational Launch, and a "Sister Spaceport" relationship has recently been established with a similar facility in Sweden.

As of right now, Spaceport America is not much more than a handful of temporary buildings that have been erected in an empty patch of New Mexico desert, but as time progresses and as firms like Virgin Galactic and others begin building their facilities here, it can be expected to become a thriving complex within the not-too-distant future.

With more and more commercial, scientific, educational, and other launches taking place during the forthcoming years, we can look forward to a day when our spaceport becomes a nexus for humanity's next major steps into space – just like those individuals who first began planning its development all those years ago envisioned it as being.

And to this author, who was among those individuals, watching Saturday morning's launch was most gratifying, especially when considered in the light of how far we've come – and how much farther we have the capacity to go.

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 http://www.earthriseinstitute.org



***Launch of** the UP Aerospace SpaceLoft XL rocket during the SL-3 Education Launch from Spaceport America on Saturday morning, May 2, 2009. Photograph by the author.*

COMMUNITY LISTINGS: OTERO COUNTY

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.

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 third Saturday at time and place TBA. 437-7200.

Downtown Lions Club: Meets on second and fourth Mondays at Mariscos Costa Azul, 415 S. White Sands Blvd. Public welcome. Terry Reed at 434-3968 or Martha 437-7515.

Flickinger Guild: Supporting the Flickinger Center for the Performing Arts, Guild members sell tickets in the box office, work the door for performances, usher, hand out programs and work concessions. Contact membership chairman Flori McElderry at 437-6616.

Kiwanis Club of Alamogordo: Meets on first and third Thursdays at 8 a.m. at Maximino's Restaurant, 2300 N. White Sands Blvd; 434-0923.

Order of the Eastern Star: Tularosa Basin Chapter No. 72 meets at 7:30 p.m. every third Monday at 409 Higuera St.,Tularosa. 434-1456.

Special Olympics NM - Otero: Sports training and competitions for children and adults with intellectual disabilities; track and field practice at 9 a.m. at NMSBVI in Alamogordo. Info: Anthony Bradway, 575-430-8902 or Sally Bradway at 479-2958.

Veterans / Military Groups

Air Force Sergeants Association Chapter 1257: Open meeting/luncheon at 11:30 a.m. every second Friday at Base Enlisted Club. Visits to area veterans in local care centers every third Saturday, starting at the Betty Dare Center on North Florida Ave. promptly at 10 a.m. Gil Isley, 434-5552.

American Legion Post 108: Meets second Tuesday of month at 7 p.m., 23117 U.S. 70E, Tularosa; All eligible veterans, retired and active duty, encouraged to attend. Ed Summerall, 430-4322, Ed_wishbone@hotmail.com

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 108: Meets second Tuesday of month at 6:15 p.m., 23117 U.S. 70E, Tularosa; All spouses, daughters, sisters, mothers or granddaughters of active and former military personnel are encouraged to attend. Info: Elaine Chestnut, 446-8331, mechestnut@msn.com, or Ed Summerall, 430-4322.

Disabled American Veterans, Cap. 14:: Meetings are first Monday of month at 821 Alaska, 6 p.m. Info: 434-8976.

New Mexico American Legion Riders Association, Chapter 8: Meets second Tuesday of month at 8 p.m., 23117 U.S. 70E, Tularosa; All eligible veterans, retired and active duty, encouraged to attend. Ed Summerall, 430-4322, or Darrell Winfree, 430-7735.

Sons of the American Legion Squadron 108: Meets third Monday of month at 7 p.m., 23117 U.S. 70E, Tularosa; All sons, grandsons of active and former military personnel are encouraged to attend. Information: Brian Koutrous, 717-202-9810 or Milton Chestnut, 446-9045.

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.

Help & Healing

Al-Anon: New Day Al-Anon group meets noon Thursdays at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 1212 Washington Ave., Alamogordo.

Alamogordo City Disability Council: Meets at 2 p.m. every third Wednesday at the Sgt. Willie Estrada Memorial Civic Center. Disability Resource Center, 439-1112, or Ann French at 439-4227 or 439-4889.

American Cancer Society Cancer Resource Center: 2 - 5 p.m. every Mon-Tue at 2689 N. Scenic, north of hospital; hats, wigs, scarves, bras and prostheses available; free "Look Good – Feel Better" make-up sessions are available with reservations; Vivian Smith, 434-5874 or 439-7681, or Lillie Lewis, 439-8409.

Blood Pressure Screening: 9 a.m.-noon Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at the Red Cross office. Free; 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.

Celiac Disease/Gluten Intolerance Support Group: Meets second and fourth Sundays, 2-3:30 p.m., in the conference room of ERA-Simmons Real Estate, 918 10th St., Alamogordo. Info: Kathie at 437-0603, Robin at 442-9419, or email paintedladies64@yahoo.com.

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.

Divorced & Widowed Adjustment Group:: Meets at 6:30 p.m. every first and third Thursdays at Alamogordo Church, 2826 Indian Wells Rd. Non-sectarian self-help group dedicated to assisting men and women of all ages through the loss of a partner through divorce, separation or death. Info: Ben, 682-3621.

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.

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/Friday 8 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.

St. John's Community Kitchen: Free meals 5-6 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday 437-3891.

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 Meets first Tuesday of each month at a local restaurant at 5:30 p.m., with 6 p.m. meeting start. Call 437-8590 for location.

Mountain Democrats: Meet second Wednesday of each month at Big Daddy's Restaurant on U.S. 82, Cloudcroft, at noon. Info: Ellen Wedum, 682-2464 or email dotellen@gmail.com.

Republican Party of Otero County: Fourth Thursday meeting each month. Info: Sassy Tinling, 443-1195.

Tularosa Democrats: Meet at Coffee & More, 308 Granado, 5 p.m. sharp second Thursday of each month. Info: Charles Murrell at 585-8153.

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: 6:30 p.m. every first Wednesday at various Alamogordo locations. Promotes purebred dogs in conformation, obedience, agility, tracking, rally and therapy visits. Sponsors dog shows, matches and the rescue of purebred dogs. Michele, 434-5220.

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 Alamogordo Physical Therapy Center, 10th and Washington, and every 2nd and 4th Tuesday at Comm. Center on Holloman AFB. Guests welcome.. Visit desertbasin.freetoasthost.com or phone 921-4767.

Desert Castaways Duplicate Bridge Club: Meets 12:30 p.m. every Monday, Tuesday & Friday at the Alamogordo Senior Center, 2201 Puerto Rico. 437-2822.

Desert Mountain 4-Wheel Drive Club: Meets third Tue of each month at Wok Inn. Dinner at 6 p.m., meeting at 7. Info 491-4257 or 430-3608.

Enchanted Quilters Guild: Meets 7 - 9 p.m. every first and third Thursdays at Christian Church Fellowship Hall, 1300 Hawaii Ave. All are welcome. Info: 434-5162 after 4 p.m..

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 Thursday, 6 p.m. at Alamogordo Public Library, Oregon a 10th Street. 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.

Otero County Association of Educational Retirees: Meets at 11:30 a.m. every third Tuesday at Margo's Restaurant in Alamogordo. All Lincoln and Otero County educational retirees welcome. For info: Barbara, 585-5564 or Dave 437-6948.

Singles of Otero County: Weekly activities to provide 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 tournament (open tournaments) 7 p.m. every Wednesday at Fraternal Order of Eagles Club, 471 24th St. Join to play or learn Contact Delilah at 442-8750.

Other Ongoing Activities

Bingo: 7 p.m. Sat., 12:30 and 3 p.m. Sun., 1 and 7 p.m. Mon. at the Eagles Lodge, 471 24th St. Ages 8 and up welcome with adult. $750 jackpot. 437-1302.

Bingo: 7 p.m. Wednesday-Friday and Sun., 2 p.m. Saturday at the VFW, 700 U.S. 70 West. Ages 16 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. 443-1901

Joyful Noyse Recorder Consort: Every other Sunday Alamogordo; various locations. Seeking soprano, alto, tenor & bass recorder players; Info: 937-2006.

Meditation Group: Every Saturday, 10 a.m. - noon 1010 16th St., Alamogordo. Music-guided meditation 443-1075.

ADVENTURE

Whitewater rafting - for Mother's Day

Follow Me!

by Yvonne Lanelli

Adventure Writer & Photographer

Underwater, I held onto my paddle, kept my eyes open and swam hard for the sunlit surface. I thought my lungs would burst. When I finally popped up, I could only let out my breath and gasp for a tiny bit of air before a huge wave crashed over me, slamming me under.

Where are you taking your outdoor adventuring Mom on Sunday? How about whitewater rafting?

FOLLOW ME TO AFRICA'S ZAMBEZI RIVER!

Zambezi's whitewater rapids range from Class Three (medium) to Class Five (very difficult) on the worldwide scale. A typical Zambezi raft adventure surmounts 23rapids, including several Fives, in one day. A typical day trip anywhere else in the world rafts less than half that number – mostly Twos, Threes, seldom a Four and no Fives.

"It was always my dream to raft the Zambezi," said Betty, whose family has been in the river -unning business for over 40 years.

Thus Betty, her husband Lynn, our raft buddy Terry, our raft guide Tembo and I clambered into a 16-foot inflatable raft to surmount Zambezi's churning white-water on a day-long trip.

After warming up on three Class Three rapids (most raft trips warm up on Twos), we approached the first Class Five, a stomach-churner named Morning Glory.

"Only we call it 'Morning Gory,'" quipped Tembo as we eased into the entry. From my rear seat, I couldn't see anything except the back of the paddler in front of me and the oars on my side. Tembo hollered "Forward, faster!" but his words were immediately drowned in thundering water.

OVERBOARD!

When waves splashed over our heads, we struggled to keep upright and drive our paddles into the churning olive-green water. Then the front of the raft jerked up and the paddler ahead of me was thrown out.

I grabbed for the rope on the side, but it was too late. Sliding overboard, I clung tightly to my paddle and tried to gulp as much air as possible before being sucked into the river's cold maw.

Underwater, I kept my eyes open and clutched the paddle, never giving in to panic even though my lungs ached. I knew my life vest would raise me eventually. When I popped up and gasped for a bit of air, a second then third wave slammed me under.

Finally I popped up in shallow water and stayed up. Searching for my buddies, I located one behind and one in front. I shoved my paddle at the one behind. He grabbed it and held on. I then grabbed the life vest collar of the one in front. Three are easier to spot and pick up than one. Sure enough, in seconds, a raft appeared and hauled us in. We then helped spot and haul in all the rest. Two were hanging onto safety kayaks who delivered them to our raft. Tembo paddled to the rescue boat and we rejoined him. We were all safe.

"I thought I would drown when I came up for air only to have a wave nearly drown me," said Betty, echoing my experience.

"Me, too," chorused Lynn and Terry.

"And I lost my glasses!" added Lynn.

"Heads up!" ordered Tembo. "Rapid ahead."

We quit rehashing to concentrate on the next six more rapids, all Fours and Fives.

"The ones after lunch are easy," announced Tembo during our brief lunch break on a sandbar.

"Easy" meant 13 more rapids, mostly Threes and a couple of Fours, no Fives. Our muscles ached by the time we hauled out several hours later.

***Great-grandmother** Betty, right, is all smiles after rafting the world-famous Zambezi River in Africa-and also setting a record. L-R: Her raft buddy Terry, husband Lynn and their guide Tembo join the congratulations. Photo by Yvonne Lanelli.*

BETTY MAKES HISTORY

At raft headquarters, while watching the video of our adventure and autographing our certificates, one of the paddlers asked who the oldest person was to ever raft the Zambezi. Tembo, the chief guide, replied he'd taken a 65-year-old.

"Well, today you took a 73-year-old," responded Betty.

Tembo stared open-mouthed at Betty, a red-haired beauty who doesn't look a day over 59.

"It's true," verified a proud Lynn. "She's also the great-grandmother of nine."

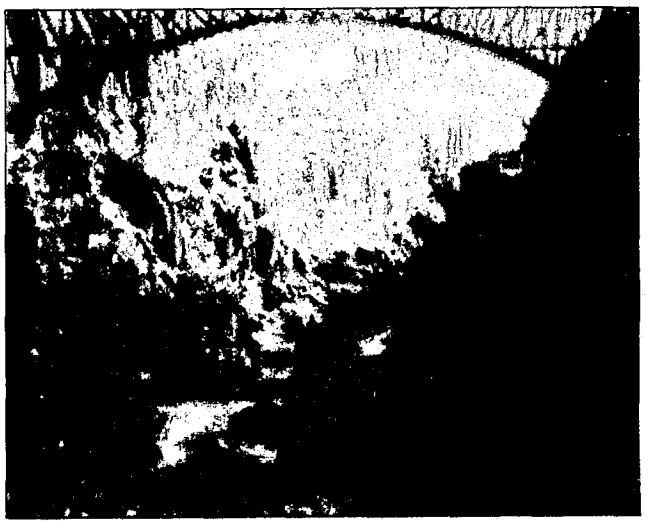
Tembo gave Betty a big hug. "You set a record for me! You're my oldest client!"

And that's how my Cousin Betty Ann – mother of eight, grandmother and great-grandmother of many more – made history on Africa's Zambezi River.

Happy Mother's Day to all outdoor-adventuring moms!

Next time: More African adventure-with big cats in Mara!

Join award-winning Yvonne Lanelli www.-zianet.com/lanelli and Betty on a real-life Zambezi adventure and African safari August 2009. overseastravel.betty@gmail.com for details.



LET'S GO!

At Boot Hill

Boot Hill RV Resort continues its exciting lineup of music with Larry Howard tonight, May 8, starting at 7.

"Larry Howard has made numerous musical statements in his life. Now he is celebrating his 41st anniversary in the recording business. He has created some of the most personal and passionate records ever. His recordings touch on a gamut of styles that Howard has worked with throughout his career.

"Everyone knows records this good don't happen by accident. They come from years of hard work, playing anywhere, focus, playing everywhere and surviving the long and lonely roads of the rock and roll life."

– Devlin Donaldson
"Compassion International"

"Music used to be a God to me. Now it is a gift. So every night when I go on stage it is not like a job," Howard says on his Web site, www.omegaarts.org. "It is like unwrapping new gifts every time I start a new song. Without sounding weird, I feel like it is a reward God is giving me."

All proceeds will go to Howard's non-profit ministry.

Vintage

Next up will be the band Vintage, performing Saturday, May 16, at Boot Hill. Vintage is an acoustic old-time traditional band that plays a unique blend of new and traditional music. Their motto is: "We like anything old or anything new that sounds old!" Based in Roswell, the band is becoming well known in the region.

They were a featured band for the Historical Museum of Southeast New Mexico, The Roswell Library Centennial Celebration, The Living West Frontier Festival, The Annual Weed Bluegrass Festival and the 1st Annual Artesia Balloon and Bluegrass Festival where they shared the stage with the nationally known band Cadillac Sky.

Admission to the concerts is $10 per adult, $5 for children 6-12, children 5 and under are free. Boot Hill is an alcohol-free family-friendly environment where you can enjoy great music in their pavilion.

The venue is located between Tularosa and Alamogordo – just look for the big yellow boots.

Call 439-6224 for more information.