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Precipitation lags

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El Niño's expected arrival could make up for dry start to ski season

The Sacramento Mountains will need some snow between now and the end of the year to meet normal annual precipitation numbers. And it could happen. But forecasters are leaning more into the beginning of 2010.

Through October, Ruidoso has seen 17.4 inches of precipitation. Four more inches of rain, or water equivalent snow, will be needed by New Year's Eve to hit average,

according to National Weather Service data.

At Capitan, the first 10 months of 2009 delivered 9.9 inches. The normal amount of precipitation is 16.3 inches.

Cloudcroft has a larger deficit to make up. Nearly ten inches of precipitation are needed to reach the average of 29.8 inches.

The first three weeks of November brought little or no measurable precipitation, said the weather service.

The precipitation outlook for the winter is favoring southern New Mexico for above normal precipitation as an El Niño event sits along the equatorial Pacific Ocean. The El Niño is expected to be a "moder-

ate to strong episode," said the latest U.S. Drought Monitor's precipitation outlook.

"It does look promising," said National Weather Service forecaster for New Mexico, Mark Fettig. "The last I looked El Niño was at a moderate strength, and it recently jumped upward on the ocean's water temperature at the equator. It is increasing a little bit."

But Fettig said the rest of this week could be absent any rain or

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THE DEER WHISPERER



COURTESY MICHAEL ALLEN

Zachary Price, 17 months old, of Corpus Christi, Texas, sees a deer through the window of his grandparents' home in Capitan. "He has special deer 'whispering' powers," says Grandpa, Micheal Allen (with the unusual spelling). Zach is the son of Allen's daughter, Shawn Price.

Downs throws support to track

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While the New Mexico Legislature will be pressed to provide a gaming tax cut for the Ruidoso Downs Race Track and Billy the Kid Casino, local governments may be asked to also look at providing relief.

The Ruidoso News broke the story locally on its Web site Monday, Nov. 16, that the track is considering a relocation to Las Cruces.

Ruidoso Downs City Attorney and City Lobbyist H. John Underwood told city councilors Monday that the area could face an "economic disaster" if the track moved to Cruces.

Last Thursday, the track's president and general manager, Ann McGovern, and attorney Billy Blackburn, petitioned the New Mexico Racing Board to allow the move in 2011.

"They are asking for the same sort of tax structure

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Wolfgang Born: A 'straight arrow' prepares to retire

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People who know or have worked with Wolfgang Born pretty much agree, he's a straight arrow, sometimes to the point of pain.

A man of principle and integrity, his strength was forged by his grandparents, who raised him in Germany. He's not a politician and the goals for the department he set when he took over as chief in December 2004 were aimed at enhancing professionalism, boosting employee involvement and improving equipment and training. As he prepares for his last day on the job Dec. 18, the chief reflected on his life and career.

Born grew up in Oberhausen, Germany. "I didn't know my real father. When I was little, he went

to the East side of Germany. We lived on the West, and we never heard from him again," Born said. "I don't think he got back out. I'm not sure if he got killed there. I have looked for him since and found his brother, who I visited in 1996. He just passed away last year.

"Germany was where my father was raised, his family was raised and nobody ever moved. There would be a three story home with the kids living on top, the parents in the middle and grandparents on the bottom. The grandparents die, everybody kind of moves down. Moving in Germany is not a common thing, at least it didn't used to be."

No one in his home spoke English.

When his mother moved to another town, Born stayed with his grandparents. A military base



COURTESY DIANE BORN

Retiring Ruidoso Police Chief Wolfgang Born works on a barn on his property.

was nearby his mother's new job and she met and married his step-father.

"I saw them twice before my

mom moved to the United States with my step-father," he said. She

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2012 (PG-12)
1:45 6:00 8:15

TWILIGHT NEW MOON (PG-13)
12:00 2:45 6:30 9:30

OLD DOGS (PG)
12:40 2:50 6:00 7:20 9:30

THESE TIMES ARE GOOD FOR
WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY

County Closes

Lincoln County government offices will be closed in observance of Thanksgiving on Nov. 26 and Nov. 27, as will the Village of Ruidoso Downs and the towns of Corona and Carrizozo. Village offices in Capitan will close Wednesday through Friday.

LCMC holiday

An additional medical provider will staff the emergency room at the

Lincoln County Medical Center for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

A certified nurse practitioner will be added to the ER.

"We're adjusting our emergency room schedule by adding a nurse practitioner in a 'fast track' model for the holiday weekend," said Al Santos, LCMC Administrator. "We hope this option serves the community for minor health-related needs during the holiday week when many family medicine clinics will be closed."



DIANNE STALLINGS/RUIDOSO NEWS

Margarito and Hermelinda Trujillo of Capitan listen as Lincoln County Manager Tom Steward reads a proclamation recognizing veterans in general on Armistice Day, now called Veterans Day, and specifically, Trujillo for surviving 1,095 days as a prisoner of war during the Korean War. He was kept in brutal conditions and watched fellow soldiers die daily from starvation, illness, from being frozen, shot or beaten, and endured the Tiger Death March to a POW camp along the Yalu River near China.

The Local Bikers of Lincoln County and Santa
would like to thank everyone who helped make our 10th Annual
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Santos said the hours are limited to a 10- to 12-hour shift, but should capture any potential surge in primary care cases. The schedule is through Saturday, Nov. 28.

"By adding a certified nurse practitioner in the emergency room during the holiday, it will allow us to expedite care," said Santos.

He said the holiday would serve as a good pilot program to determine appropriate staffing levels during peak times and other holidays throughout the year.

LCMC is operated by Presbyterian Healthcare Services, which also runs six medical group clinics in Lincoln County.

The White Mountain Medical, Internal Medicine Associates and Lincoln County Surgical clinics in Ruidoso will be closed Thursday and Friday, Nov. 26 and 27.

In addition, the Rose Clinic in Capitan and health clinics in Carrizozo and Corona will be closed.

Alto Lakes

The Alto Lakes Special Zoning District Commission will meet at 9 a.m., Dec. 3, in the Stag Room at the Alto Lakes Golf and Country Club, 1 Mulligan Drive, Alto.

The final agenda for the meeting will be published at least 24 hours prior to the meeting and will be posted on the bulletin board of the Country Club.

Prayer walk

Members of several youth groups from Capitan and Ruidoso joined Saturday for a Prayer Walk and Thanksgiving turkey giveaway.

More than 100 teenagers and adults participated from the Overwhelmed at Angus youth group, Canaan Trail Baptist youth group, Foot of the Cross youth group, Centro Familiar Destino youth group, First Assembly youth group and the Church of Christ of

Capitan youth group.

Fifty-two turkey boxes were given away in Ruidoso, Ruidoso Downs and Capitan.

Prayer walk was conducted down Sudderth Drive with a police escort provided by the Ruidoso Police Department, beginning at the Upper Canyon traffic circle and ending at School House Park, where boxes were put together with food and turkeys collected from churches.

Hamburgers and hot-dogs were supplied and served by Tom Cunningham of Alto's home bible study group. The effort was organized under the name of "The RESISTANCE," a movement started by teens to resist living spiritually unhealthy lives and with the goal to claim Lincoln County, its schools, families and communities in the name of Jesus Christ.

For more information about "The Resistance" or to let participating groups

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AccuWeather 5-day forecast for Ruidoso

TODAY	TONIGHT	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
RealFeel 65° Humidity 29% Bright and sunny Wind: NW 4-8 mph	RealFeel 29° Humidity 53% Clear Wind: ENE 4-8 mph	RealFeel 65° Humidity 29% Sunshine Wind: WSW 6-12 mph	RealFeel 65° Humidity 39% Mostly sunny Wind: SW 6-12 mph	RealFeel 64° Humidity 38% Windy in the morning, partly sunny Wind: WSW 8-16 mph	RealFeel 46° Humidity 50% Mostly cloudy and breezy with a shower possible Wind: NNE 10-20 mph

National Forecast for Nov. 25, 2009

Statistics through 6 p.m. yesterday

Temperature:
High/low yesterday 53 /29°
Normal high 61°
Normal low 33°
Record high 78° (1981)
Record low 21° (1991)

Precipitation:
24 hr. period 0.00"
Month to date Trace"
Normal month to date 0.59"
Year to date 9.65"
Normal year to date 12.03"

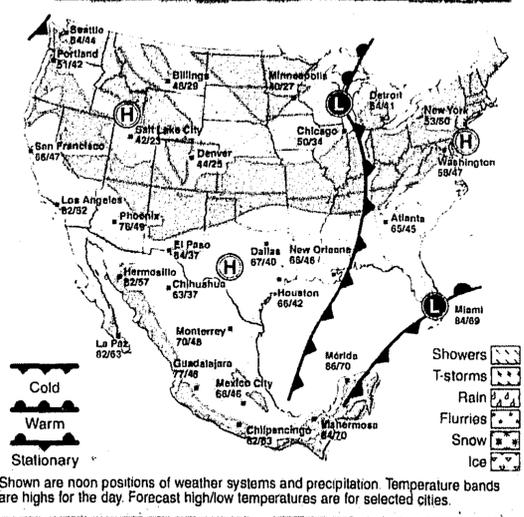
Pollen:
Grass Low
Trees Low
Weeds Low
Mold Low
Predominant Juniper Tree

Source: Eddie L. Gaines, MD of the Allergy & Asthma Clinic

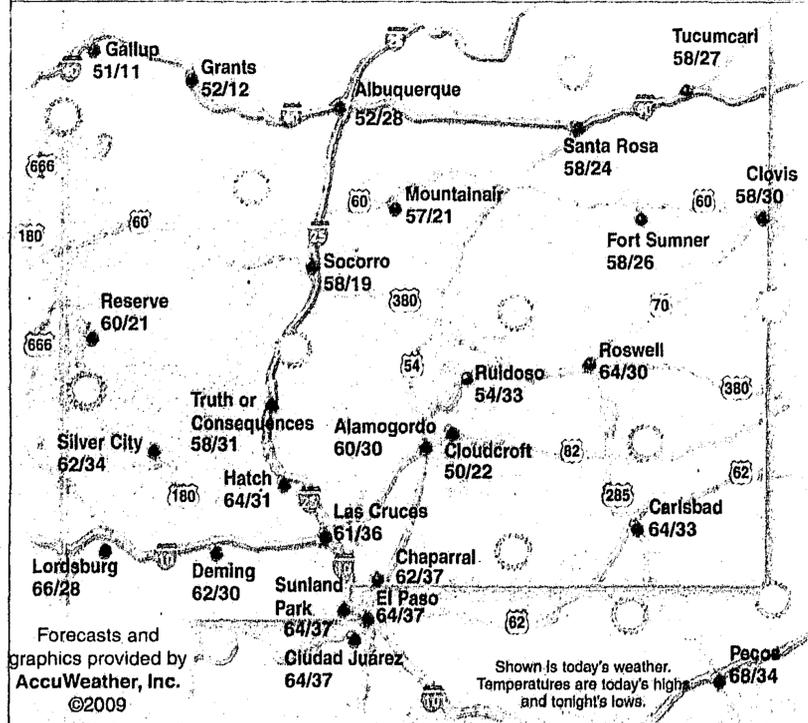
Cloudcroft
Statistics through 6 p.m. yesterday.
Temperature:
High/low yesterday 53°/29°
Normal high 47°
Normal low 21°
Record high 63° (1962)
Record low 6° (1969)

Precipitation:
24-hr. period 0.00"
Month to date 0.02"
Normal month to date 1.35"
Year to date 19.30"
Normal year to date 25.84"

Weather Trivia:
Q: Which U.S. president was also an avid weather observer?



Regional Cities



Sun and Moon
Wednesday: Sunrise/Sunset 6:43 a.m./4:57 p.m.
Wednesday: Moonrise/Moonset 12:45 p.m./12:02 a.m.

Moon Phases
Full Last New First
Dec 2 Dec 8 Dec 16 Dec 24

Extremes
Yesterday's National High/Low: High: 86° in Tamiami, FL Low: -2° in Leadville, CO
Yesterday's World High/Low: High: 113° in Viwoledzil, South Africa Low: -51° in Kazachinskoye, Russia

City	Today	Thu.	City	Today	Thu.
Abilene	64/36/s	67/42/s	Albuquerque	52/28/s	55/30/s
Anchorage	29/21/sn	30/25/c	Artesia	64/34/s	66/38/s
Atlanta	85/45/pc	59/38/s	Chama	49/15/s	53/17/s
Austin	69/35/s	71/38/s	Clayton	51/30/s	63/31/s
Baltimore	55/41/r	58/39/pc	Cloudcroft	50/22/s	51/26/s
Boston	54/45/c	54/45/c	Farmington	50/21/s	54/25/s
Chicago	50/34/c	40/31/c	Hobbs	63/31/s	64/35/s
Dallas	67/40/s	65/39/s	Los Alamos	50/23/s	54/24/s
Denver	44/25/pc	59/30/s	Petalas	59/25/s	62/30/s
Des Moines	43/27/c	43/29/c	Raton	50/15/s	61/19/s
Detroit	54/41/8h	44/35/r	Red River	45/10/s	48/12/s
El Paso	64/37/s	64/41/s	Ruidoso	54/33/s	57/37/s
Las Vegas	68/41/s	68/41/s	Santa Fe	50/22/s	54/23/s
Los Angeles	82/52/s	82/52/s	Silver City	62/34/s	62/37/s
Minneapolis	40/27/r	37/27/c	Taos	51/18/s	58/22/s
New Orleans	66/48/pc	64/43/s			
New York City	53/50/c	67/46/c			
Philadelphia	55/48/r	58/43/c			
Phoenix	78/49/s	77/50/s			
Reno	53/26/s	56/32/pc			
San Francisco	66/47/6	61/49/pc			
San Diego	77/50/s	72/52/s			
Seattle	54/44/6	49/42/r			
Tucson	72/43/s	78/47/s			
Tulsa, OK	58/34/s	58/38/s			
Wash., DC	58/47/r	58/40/pc			
Wichita	54/30/s	50/32/s			
Yuma	75/52/s	78/50/s			



COURTESY TONY DAVIS

Rep. Harry Teague stopped by the Ruidoso Gun Show Sunday, just before his "Harry in Your Hometown" meeting at Village Hall. The picture shows him hefting (all 35 lbs of it) a .222 target rifle. (At the start of the town hall meeting, he said his wife would be proud of him -- he resisted the temptation to add to his collection.)

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know how they can help others, call 575-937-1501 or 575-336-8032.

Dumpster fires

Firefighters in Ruidoso

have been responding to fires started because of the improper disposal of fire-place ashes.

Fire Chief Tom Gavin said the past two weeks have brought a number of fire calls.

"Every year at this time

we see an increase in the number of ash and dumpster fires as a direct result of people dumping hot ashes into the dumpsters," said Gavin.

He recommended using plenty of water on ashes and storing them in an ash bucket or similar container for a significant length of time to ensure they're properly cooled. He added that the disposal of hot ashes on the ground can be equally hazardous right now because rainfall totals are below normal resulting in dry conditions.

"Last week we responded to a vegetation fire caused by ash disposal that had the potential to grow," said Gavin.

Improper ash disposal can result in a citation for violating the village's fire code. The code requires ashes be cold without any embers capable of spontaneous combustion before being put into a bag or container and placed in a dumpster

Medicare help

Help with New Mexico Open Enrollment Days for Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage (Part D) is available today in Ruidoso.

The Community Advocacy Bureau within the New Mexico Aging and Long-Term Services Department will assist individuals who want to switch their plan, or to newly enroll into a Medicare prescription drug plan or Medicare health plan.

Screening for assistance with paying for prescription drug costs will also be provided.

The help will be at the Ruidoso Senior Center, 501 Sudderth Dr., from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. today.

On Dec. 16, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. the same free event will be offered in Carrizozo, at the Zia Senior Center, 406 Central Ave.

People are asked to bring their prescriptions or a list of all medications, including the full name of the drug, the strength and the dosage.

Flood maps

The public soon will have a chance to review proposed Flood Insurance Rate Maps with officials from the Federal Emergency Management Agency for Lincoln County.

Property owners and others are invited to preview the maps with county Flood

Plans Administrator Curt Temple at the County Substation in Ruidoso or to stop by at the County Manager's office in Carrizozo.

The map will look in building elevations in flood plains to qualify for insurance coverage, usually a requirement for a mortgage.

DWI meeting

The Regular Meeting of the DWI Planning Council is scheduled for Tuesday, Dec. 1 at 3:30 p.m.

The meeting will be held at the Sheriff's Substation (next to the Ruidoso Public Library) on Kansas City Road.

LCSWA board

The Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority Board will hold a special Board meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 2, at 2 p.m., to be held at the Lincoln County Solid Waste Authority Meeting Room, 222 2nd St. in Ruidoso Downs.

The purpose of the meeting is to conduct an executive session regarding limited personnel matters and threatened or pending litigation.

The public is invited to attend the meeting. For more information, contact the LCSWA office at 378-4897 or toll free at 1-877-548-8772.

Ruidoso Elks Lodge
is Hosting
a Thanksgiving/Veterans Dinner
on November 28, at 4:00 pm

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OUR OPINION

Every day thanks is found in the attitude

Yes, it's not always easy

It is easy to be thankful when pennies from heaven rain upon you, or a stroke of good luck crosses your path. It's not so easy to give thanks in the face of adversity or hardship regarding careers, relationships, health or finances. As a community we are too often reminded of the negative news stories that define our collective lives. The wastewater plant is so costly. Our gross receipts tax rate is so high. The weather is too dry, and the mountain lacks natural snow. The local economy is suffering, too, and the race track operation could be head-

ed elsewhere. It's all in the attitude: We're going to have a new, up-to-standard wastewater plant. An El Niño is forming that should mean a wetter-than-normal winter. The race track isn't gone, yet. Do we still have food on the table and a roof over our heads? Most of us do. Every year about this time we tell ourselves to be thankful every day, not simply on a mandated holiday. It's not so easy. But like the Rolling Stones sang, you can't always get what you want/ but if you try sometime/you just might find/you get what you need. Find it in your attitude.

Big Mac Attack ate up the state surplus

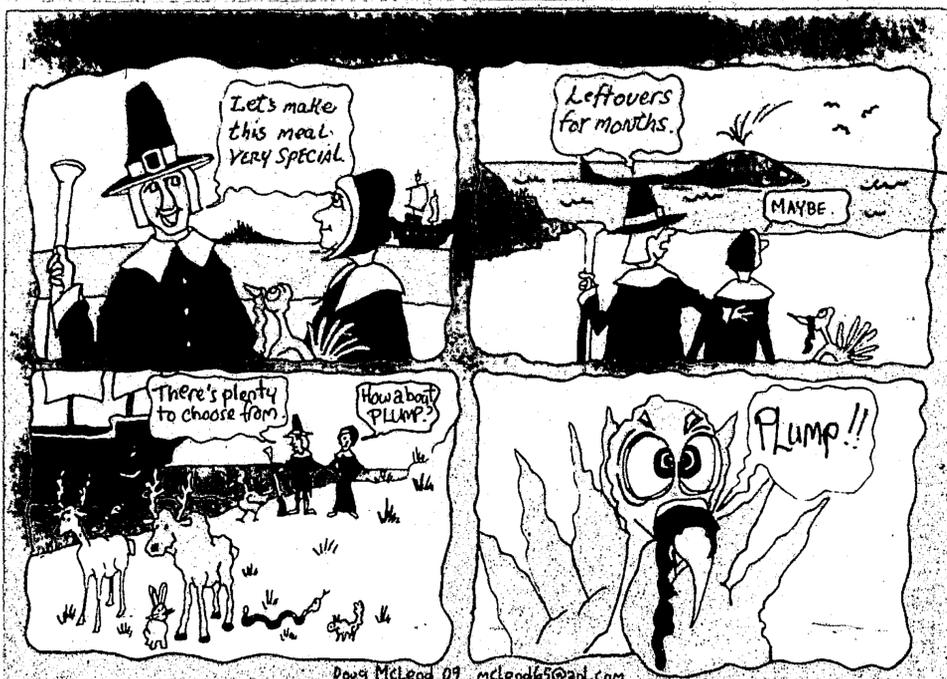
With the passing of former Gov. Bruce King, a lot of us are recollecting our favorite King moments. One of mine was his role in the Big Mac tax cut. It's a lesson that's relevant today. In 1981 state coffers were bursting with oil and gas money. Euphoric lawmakers expected a \$200 million surplus. Not only could they bankroll their pork projects, they could give money back to taxpayers. But how to give back the public's money? Liberals wanted to send money to the masses. Conservatives wanted to spread it around and shovel some cash to private industry in hopes of fueling expansion and jobs. King, always middle of the road, wanted to bless everyone, especially small businesses, but rain less on big business. He and Colin McMillan, the Republican chairman of the House Taxation and Revenue Committee, crafted a compromise bill dubbed the Big Mac. Mid-session, Kay Marr, secretary of the Department of Finance and Administration, splashed cold water on their feverish plans. New Mexico could end up \$100 million in the red if President Reagan's promised tax and budget cuts materialized, she said. King, who first suggested the tax cut, now urged a go-slow approach until they better understood the impact of federal cuts. But in the giddy atmosphere of the Roundhouse, most lawmakers didn't want to hear it. They approved more than \$1 billion in appropriations, plus the largest tax cut in state history. Lt. Gov. Roberto Mondragon refused to sign the measure. As the Big Mac gained momentum, King began to work behind the scenes for phased-in tax breaks, which could be undone should the need arise. King infuriated lawmakers with a line-item veto of the property-tax portion of the bill, and the so-called Cowboy Coalition of Republicans and conservative Dems tabled all appropriations bills.

McMillan insisted there was plenty of money to fund money bills and his tax cut. Opposing the measure was like standing up to a tsunami. In the end, King signed. The Big Mac cut personal income taxes by 25 percent in 1981 and 33 percent in 1982, and shrank gross receipts taxes. McMillan predicted the Big Mac would set the tone of fiscal policy in the state for the next 10 years. It did, but not as he expected. That year oil and gas revenues started to tail off, federal funding slumped from 32 to 15 percent of state general fund revenues, and a deep recession rolled across the country. (Does any of this sound familiar?) In 1982 state revenues took a dive. Gov. Toney Anaya took office in 1983 with two priorities - balancing the budget and breaking the Cowboy Coalition. Facing a \$180 million deficit, he raised personal income taxes 30 percent, corporate income taxes 20 percent and restored gross receipts taxes to the previous level. Max Coll, a veteran of oil and gas who succeeded McMillan as chairman of the House Taxation and Revenue Committee, said later that booms fueled by energy prices don't necessarily justify tax cuts. "What goes up has got to come back down unless you repeal the law of gravity." It was a painful lesson that haunted lawmakers during subsequent flush times; they cited it in 2001, when Gov. Gary Johnson wanted to cut taxes. In 2003, when Gov. Bill Richardson proposed a tax cut without cutting spending, lawmakers developed amnesia. It took a lot of starch for King to urge caution when everyone around him, it seemed, had lost their heads. I reminded King of his thankless stance years later. He pumped my hand and thanked me for remembering. Now we find ourselves in a similar place, for many of the same reasons. Why is it that we only hear the voices of caution after the fact?



SHERRY ROBINSON
ALL SHE WROTE

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YOUR OPINION

Teague's exemptions reveal bill's flaws

To the editor: WE READ WITH interest Sherry Robinson's Nov. 18 column, "With or without cap-and-trade, we're going to pay more." Most interesting was one sentence imbedded in the article. "Representative Harry Teague managed to add language to the bill that, among other things, allows New Mexico's four small refineries to emit carbon without buying credits from the government and helps out electric co-ops." So, Rep. Teague gets a pass for voting for the bill because he got an exemption for New Mexico "polluters"? Hey, we thought we were in dire straits and needed to cut back on all carbon dioxide (by the way, a natural part of the earth's carbon cycle and not a pollutant). What if every representative was able to exempt their industries? Guess what, more than 80 percent of the available carbon credits have already been promised (without cost) to industries as bribes to get them to support the bill. That leaves only 16 percent of the allowances to actually be auctioned off at market value. (See the pie chart from the Congressional Research Service on

PeopleforPearce.com.) No wonder industries like electric LDCs (local distribution companies), merchant coal and "trade-exposed industries" are all for it. But are they? Now we find that all of the refineries and electric co-ops Rep. Teague helped have come out against the bill (in a letter dated June 22, 2009, from the Ad Hoc Coalition of Small Business Refiners to Speaker Nancy Pelosi.) The small refinery in Artesia said it will close if cap-and-trade passes. The costs will be too great. And this same refinery said no one from Washington, D.C., ever called them to see if they wanted the bill. They were opposed then and are still opposed now. But, if 80 percent were exempt, where will the so-called environmental benefit be obtained? We have an idea. Give everyone an "exemption" by not passing cap-and-trade. We need to stop playing these games where each state is competing with the other for exemptions, special deals and pork. And we voters need to grow up and not base our support on which candidate can bring home the most bacon. All these deals just add to our crippling national debt that generations to come will be unable to pay.

In a related matter, an article by William Baldwin in the Nov. 30 issue of *Forbes* puts New Mexico at the top of the Moocher Ratio list with 97.5 percent. The ratio is calculated by taking the number of state and local government employees times 1.25 (the extra 25 percent representing an estimate of future pension burdens), plus the number of people on Medicaid (the numerator) and dividing it by the private-sector employment (the denominator). Of course, this leaves out the federal government workers, which may be put in the denominator or maybe the numerator. We know New Mexico is unique in that we have major federal facilities (military bases, national labs, national forests, parks and BLM land), but this top rating is telling. No wonder our Legislature is having trouble making the necessary cuts in state departments and programs. But, we have to say "no" so our state can be on a solid, long-term financial footing. Kathryn and Harvey Minter, Alto

Thanksgiving, and the unity of the whole

JULIAN WELLS
Ruidoso

I can't believe it, but Thanksgiving time is here again. I can taste that turkey, dressing, and cranberry sauce already. It's time we stop and be thankful for things that mean far more than pumpkin pie and baked turkey. Thanksgiving is being thankful for all the people who serve us: our emergency ambulance crews, our fire department, our street department, who are up so early on those cold snowy mornings, and so many others including our hospital staff. And by all means, our police department, which is out there day and night protecting us ... to them indeed a very special thank you. Let's go back to the story of the old turkey gobbler, who by circumstances not of his making did not make it to the Thanksgiving dinner table. A group of young turkeys began to question why he was still around as they all were eagerly waiting to fulfill their destiny to be the best turkey dinner possible. The old gobbler sighed and said: "My fate was decided by a bunch of distorted and mislead-



ing Congressional turkeys. They fed me so much political garbage and false promises that my body became so tough no one wanted me. They are also the same narrow minded Congressional turkeys who are bashing the spirituality which our nation was founded upon." Our founding fathers confirmed that our nation be a nation under God. Even so, the politicians, news media and even our courts have made an effort to destroy that which is sacred to the majority of Americans. Indeed, Thanksgiving does include remembering with gratitude the many blessings God has given our nation. Let's take a few moments and reflect on this: We are the wealthiest nation in the world in spite of a weakened economy. How did we become such a strong and prosperous nation? There are many factors to consider, but worth mentioning is our currency, which states, "In God we trust." A coincidence? Probably not if we broaden those words to mean a nation of laws, freedom, moral standards, spirituality, continuous effort to improve ourselves, as well as demanding ethical business practices and personal honesty. Even the Pilgrims knew that

after surviving the perils of the journey to America they truly had something to be thankful for, as we do today. Our forefathers might have said they deserved their daily bread. With swollen pride they might have chosen to profess that by their wits they achieved success. Instead, they humbly knelt in prayer and thanked God for the gifts that He provided so abundantly. Thanksgiving refreshes our souls as we spend time with God, concentrating on His goodness and grace. Anxiety is replaced with peace, and despondency with joy. To establish a habit of thanksgiving, recall God's loving kindness in the morning, and recount His faithfulness at night. The greatest tool that brings insight into Thanksgiving is love. Some people do great things, others have rich possessions. But when we view Thanksgiving from a spiritual point of view, separation or comparison disappears into the unity of the whole. Thanksgiving is being thankful we live in America and have our freedom. It is being thankful that every sunrise is a gift from God, filled with the golden glow of His love for us. Happy Thanksgiving! Editor's note: Julian Wells of Ruidoso traditionally writes columns for major holidays.

EDUCATION

Profiles in English Bessie Ellis

DOCIA LIGUORI
For the Ruidoso News

Editor's note: Students in the freshman English class at ENMU-Ruidoso have written profiles on seniors in the community.

The students had to generate their own questions and contact a person from a list of names.

The list came from the Mescalero Care Center, the Senior Center in Ruidoso, and from the Sacramento Mountain group. This is the first in a series of profiles to appear in the Ruidoso News.

It may be an old, run down, rusty, white building in Ruidoso Downs, but for the senior citizens in Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs, it feels just like

home. As soon as you open the rustic door you hear the laughter and joy that can make you forget the looks of the establishment.

When you walk in you are welcomed and treated as if you are family.

There are so many different, unique, bright, and energetic people there; among them is one individual, Mrs. Bessie Ellis, known to her friends as Mrs. Bessie.

She is a very high spirited, fun loving, kind woman who has many stories that can keep you intrigued for hours about her life growing up in Moultrie, Ga., with her nine brothers, two sisters and a young boy that she came to know as her new brother.

This young boy was

accepted into their family after he appeared at their door with only a dirty old blanket and no shoes on his feet.

Her parents had found out that his mother and father had passed; they knew that he was sent to them for a reason and treated him as if he was their own child.

She could tell you stories from when she was growing up on her parents cane farm to her experiences traveling back and forth from Georgia to Texas.

Along their travels they spent time in Louisiana. Her family finally settled in La Mesa, Texas, and she was finally able to stay in one school for her senior year.

One night back in 1945, at a house dance she met

Mr. Ellis.

Mr. Ellis asked her several times to marry him, but she was not ready, and did not know if he was the one that she wanted to spend the rest of her life with.

She finally she said, "Yes."

The engagement was for two long years, then they were finally married.

She raised two children, one boy and one girl, with her loving husband.

Mrs. Ellis became a mathematics teacher in La Mesa, Texas, where she taught her students with such passion, honor and respect that her students thought so highly of her that they nominated her to be in the teachers' hall of fame.

Mrs. Bessie Ellis retired from La Mesa high school

in 1977, but still had a love and passion for teaching, so she now continues to tutors math to kids of all ages from grade school to college.

From 1992 to 1999, her family traveled back and forth from La Mesa to Ruidoso, just to ski Mount Sierra Blanca with her son.

In 1999, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis, after fallen in love with Ruidoso, decided to join our small town community.

After living in Ruidoso for a few years, Mrs. Ellis had to have a knee replacement, and the pain was so bad that the doctor told her to exercise.

Now for many people that seems to be an easy request, and for Mrs. Ellis this was, she loved to dance; after dancing she

found a new way to express her passion for teaching.

Now, at least three to five times a week, you can join her for line dancing classes at the senior citizens center.

Mrs. Ellis many have a full schedule between work at the center, teaching classes and tutoring children, but she will always make time to share a great story from her past.

If there is a time in your life to visit the senior citizens centers of Ruidoso Downs or Ruidoso, either to join a class or just to hear a great tale, the people there would love to meet you as they loved meeting me.

And remember "don't judge a book by its cover."

Stop by, say hi, and meet the senior citizens of our community.

Native American students lag in graduation rates

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The graduation rate for Native American students in the Ruidoso Municipal School District lagged behind rates for other ethnic groups.

In an annual report, the school district reported a 63.3 percent four-year cohort graduation rate for American Indians. The Caucasian rate in 2008 was 73 percent. Hispanics had the highest graduation rate, 83.1 percent.

It was the first graduation report that used the new four-year cohort method where students who were freshmen in 2004 were tracked, even if they left Ruidoso High School, to see if they graduated by September 2008. Previously the state had used a senior completion method that looked at 12th grade graduation.

Statewide the Native American graduation rate for 2004-08 was 49.8 percent. The figures are spelled out in the 2008-09 Tribal Education Status Report released by the school district at Ruidoso.

The state's Indian Education Act requires school districts on or near tribal lands to assemble the annual report. Of the district's 2,267 students last year, 18.2 percent were American Indians.

School attendance by Native Americans was close to the overall level; according to the report. District-wide the 94.7 percent attendance rate by American Indian students equaled the rate of all students.

At the Nob Hill Early Childhood Center, the rate was slightly less than the school as a whole.

It was also slightly lower at Sierra Vista Primary and White Mountain Elementary. It was ahead of the curve at White Mountain Intermediate and Ruidoso Middle School. The high school Native American attendance rate was slightly under the full student population.

The district has an Indian Education Committee, which includes Mescalero Apache representation, to promote quality education for Native American students.

Nob Hill Early Childhood Center September Kindergarten Buzzy Bees are back row: Karyme Gutierrez, Ashleigh Bond, Jameson Morgan, Edgar Rivas, Tomas Marmolejo, Ximena Ruiz, Iridian Lucero; Middle row: Braden Gonzales, Jude Johnson, Ericka Romero, Braxton Hall, Kayla Thompson, Bailey Emerson-Behi; Front row: Elena Sanchez, Gillian Carreon, Kieki Murillo, Conor Farrell, Isabella Medina, Aubryn Shendo.

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September Head Start Buzzy Bees are back row: Carlos Tafuya, Maria Enriquez, Lesly Cardenas, Omar Espinoza, Sonia Bravo; Front row: Felipe Huerta Jr., Bryan Calzada, Jeziah Portillo.

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EDUCATION BRIEFS

ENMU closed

PORTALES - Eastern New Mexico University in Portales will be closed for the Thanksgiving Break from Wednesday, Nov. 25, through Sunday, Nov. 29. The university's Golden Library will be open from noon to midnight on

Sunday, Nov. 29.

The campus will re-open and classes will resume on Monday, Nov. 30.

For campus information, call 575-561-1011.

RHS yearbook

Ruidoso High School is getting ready to publish the

2009-10 Tomahawk Yearbook.

Businesses are being solicited to advertise in the yearbook. High school officials said the advertising helps to keep the books affordable for students.

The advertising deadline is Dec. 1.

The high school is also

asking the community to purchase the \$65 yearbooks for underprivileged students.

Those who do can name a student to receive a yearbook or have the school's administration select a name.

- Jim Kalvelage

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DRY

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snow though there is a chance for snow late in the weekend.

"Southern New Mexico has a history of seeing El Niño snows in the latter part of the winter," said Fetting.

"And every winter is different. October and November has been a pretty up and down pattern."

The Drought Monitor

"Southern New Mexico has a history of seeing El Niño snows in the latter part of the winter."

paints the eastern halves of Lincoln and Otero counties with "abnormally dry" conditions. That is much better than the severe drought label that started 2009.

East drier

The situation in eastern Lincoln County however turned back to drier from

August through October.

A weather service report showed Picacho had a "significant precipitation deficit" during the three months, receiving less than half the normal amount of rain.

The western halves of the two counties are without any drought conditions.

Vehicle exhaust blamed for 5 small blazes

A bad exhaust system on a vehicle was blamed for igniting five small fires Monday south of Capitan.

Lincoln County Office of Emergency Services Director Travis Atwell said the flames were discovered shortly after 3 p.m.

"The vehicle was throwing carbon particles out the exhaust starting the fires," said Atwell.

The five fires were along a stretch of N.M. 48, be-

tween mile markers 13 and 16.

The largest of the fires was about 200 square feet.

Atwell said the flames were quickly knocked down because a Forest Service truck was in the area, heading from Capitan to Ruidoso. The Capitan Fire Department was also called

out.

Several passersby also pulled over to the shoulder of the highway to help stamp out flames before they reached brushy areas.

Atwell said people must be extra careful right now because grasses are really dried out.

- Jim Kalvelage

DOWN

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as what the Native Americans were granted in the gaming compacts signed by the state," Underwood said. "Legislation in one form or the other as been attempted for the last four years on behalf of Ruidoso Downs Racing and each year it has failed for one reason or another. And of course this coming year, with the state facing what is expected to be in the neighborhood of a \$600 million deficit, it's going to be an even more difficult time."

For several years track officials have said they were losing money because of competition from two nearby tribal casinos. Without a graduated gaming tax, to provide parity with the revenue sharing paid to the state by the Mescalero Apache Tribe, Ruidoso Downs Racing said a more populated location for the horse racing might become necessary.

"I firmly believe that this issue, that will be in front of the state legislature, is probably the most important issue that all of us face for a long, long time" Underwood told the city council. "You can only control your own future with things that you have control over. We don't have control over the legislature. I would suggest to you, get Ruidoso and the county involved, meet and discuss what tax incentives they may be able to provide Ruidoso Downs Racing. Whether or not industrial revenue bonds might be issued in order for Ruidoso Downs Racing to place the casino on Highway 70 as opposed off of the track."

Underwood, a former state representative, said the legislature looks more favorably at communities that try to help themselves instead of looking solely to state lawmakers.

In addition to his lobbying the tax break to lawmakers this winter on behalf of the city, Underwood said the Ruidoso Downs Jockey Club and Ruidoso Downs Racing would have lobbyists at the state capital. And the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce may also hire a lobbyist.

During a task force meeting Monday night a "plan of action" was discussed, said Sandi Aguilar, the chamber's executive director. She said the Village of Ruidoso has allo-

cated \$10,000 in lodgers tax funding to the chamber, which might be used to pay a lobbyist.

"The message is that Ruidoso backs the track," said Aguilar. "It's about the tax parity issue. It should be a tiered tax rate to make be a horse racing in New Mexico competitive for small communities."

Aguilar said the chamber board might vote next week on a lobbyist. She added Ruidoso Downs and Lincoln County could also be asked to assist.

Underwood said he testified before the Racing Commission last Thursday that the city will "stand stalwart" in opposing a move of the track and casino from Ruidoso Downs.

"It's who we are. It's what we're about. It's the cornerstone of not only our economy it's the cornerstone of our heritage."

Underwood recalled working at the track as a teen in 1964, sprinting across the infield with film of races for stewards to review. He said since that time the track has grown in popularity.

"It is estimated by the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce and the Ruidoso Valley Economic Development Corporation that the hit to this area would be somewhere between \$30 million and \$40 million dollars a year," said Underwood. And the hit to the state for passing the tax equity act would be approximately \$750,000 a year. And so we feel we need to make the legislators aware of the fact that if they're unable to give some tax parity for Ruidoso Downs it would be economically devastating to the area."

"When the paper reads 'Hubbard ups the ante,' the chips in that game are your lives, my lives, the lives of our grandchildren, the economic future that we all look forward to being here. It's a high-stakes poker game. We 10,000 people are the chips in a high stakes game."

Councilor Dean Holman paraphrased what he said he earlier heard from Un-

derwood, beginning with legislative funding to Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs for a new wastewater treatment plant.

"When we do visit with the legislators let them know that we appreciate that," said Holman. "But tell them that we might not need that anymore, because the reason it was built was for the large volume of tourists during the summer because of the racetrack. Had it not been for the influx of maybe 50,000 people on the weekend, we could have built

the plant probably a third as big as it is and saved maybe a third of the money."

Underwood admitted making the statement, and added Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs need more than the flushing of the toilets of the community's 10,000 residents.

"And the way to ensure that is to ensure that we keep the racetrack," he said. "Let's keep Ruidoso Downs Racing in Ruidoso Downs. It doesn't belong somewhere else in this state."

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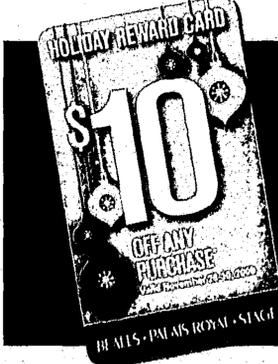
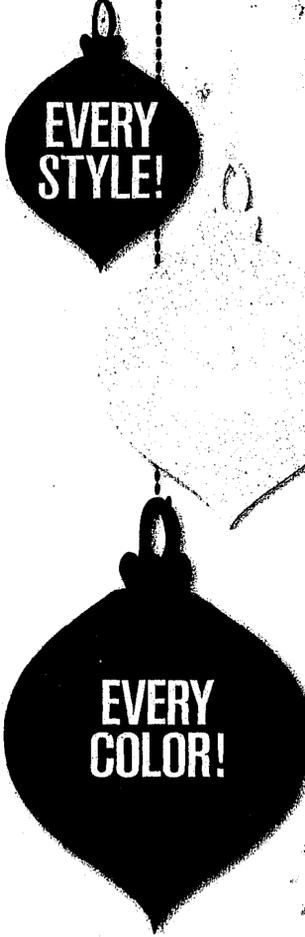
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BORN

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took Born's older brother by 2 1/2 years with her, but her younger son stayed with his grandparents. He was about 5 years old.

"There were no phones or cars," he said of the lack of contact with his mother. "Once a week where we lived, the sirens went off for war. We still had a bunker on every block. There was no hot water or heat in the place we lived. There was a coal stove."

His grandfather, Bernhard Argalski, of Polish ancestry, worked in a coal

mine and sometimes made extra money boxing.

"We were very poor. When we did have Christmas trees, they were decorated with real candles," he said. "Only one time I remember I got a train. All the other (Christmases), you got a plate with fruit and nuts and that was your Christmas gift. That's how poor we were."

Born was closest to his grandmother, Anna. "She was typical old German. Very good cook and housewife. She was my mom. She was loving, but a different kind of loving. She went through both World Wars and she never talked about Hitler. They didn't

really know much about Hitler, but I remember her telling me that all they had to eat at times was a potato peel or a sparrow. To the day she died, if you had any leftovers on your plate, she ate it - everybody's. She would not leave food behind. That's how hard it was."

Born recalled that Sundays in Germany were for the family to share. Everything was shut down. "Nobody is allowed to work. You can't even wash your car. You get dressed up and go to church. You visit relatives, have dinner or coffee and cake. That's what you did on Sundays and it's a very

relaxing atmosphere. You would hear the church bells all the time. It was very quiet, very neat. Everything was picked up, even the woods. The countryside was so clean, very respectful. But that was a long time ago and I know it has changed."

The first radio the family owned broadcast only one station. The first black and white television set showed one channel and only in the evening.

The year Born received the train, he was 12, and shortly after in 1968, his mother sent for him and he had to leave the treasured gift behind. He gave it to a cousin.

"I never expected to live in the United States. I didn't speak English. Where we lived (in Germany), there were no Americans. Going from Germany to El Paso was a culture shock. I was homesick and cried everyday. My step-father and mother stuck me in an American school."

Although English was spoken in his new home, Born still only spoke German and nobody at the school knew his language.

"They would take me to the back of the class with a chalkboard and that's how I learned my ABCs in English. I went to all the regular classes and within a year, I spoke English." He received his citizenship in 1971, and was proud to be an American, but he always wanted to go back to Germany.

His step-father was retired military and worked for civil service. His junior year in high school, the family went back to Vilseck, Germany, and Born attended Nuremberg High School. To reach the school, he

took a bus from his home to the train station, traveled to Nuremberg and then from that station, took a bus to the school.

"I did that everyday until I got into the dormitory, because I was into sports," he said. More than "into" sports, in his senior year, Born was named athlete of the year for his accomplishments in football, wrestling and track.

Occasionally, he would come home on weekends and he kept in touch with his grandparents with visits to them and their longer visits to his home for a month at a time.

He planned to attend Henderson State University in Arkansas. When he arrived in New York in 1976, he stood in the busy airport, looked around and thought, "These people are spoiled."

Being in a new place with no family or friends, Born was homesick. The coach took him in and fed him, but no scholarship materialized. He moved to Long Beach, Calif, where his older brother, who came back to the United States in 1963, was in the Marines. Born tried to attend Long Beach State, but didn't care for California.

He drove to El Paso, where he still had friends, and attended the University of Texas community college there, while working for the Noncommissioned Officers Club at Fort Bliss and at Fabens Ranch, where he developed an interest in horses.

Even in Germany, Born wanted to pursue a career in law enforcement and was quoted about a future career in an interview with the Nuremberg newspaper. But infatuation delayed career plans when a friend's sister came to visit with two of her girlfriends from Boston in tow. Born ended up following them back on a bus for a visit. He liked the look of the countryside, which reminded him of Germany's green hills, but there was a long waiting list for the police department.

He broke up with the girl he followed, but met his future wife, Diane, in September 1979.

"By then, my brother was out of the Marines and an officer in the El Paso Police Department.

He called and said they were looking for people. We loaded a U-Haul and drove there. I didn't have a job."

He became an assistant manager of a pizza place until the first round of testing for the department was scheduled. He passed everything and, although the pizza company offered him bonuses to try to keep him, he told them law enforcement was his career.

He and Diane married in 1982, the same year he started the police academy.

He stayed in El Paso until December 1989 and during those years rode with the motorcycle patrol, served as detective, was in the juvenile division, mountain rescue and was a field training officer.

In the summer of 1989, the family went camping in Alpine, Ariz., and liked the mountain country. "I said to her if she liked it so much, why not move there to raise the kids (two sons)." But Alpine had no openings and a second opportunity didn't work out in Montana.

"Then we saw an ad in paper for a police officer in Ruidoso and I applied. I was not New Mexico certified." The village received 36 applications, most certified. Born was in the third group of five, but was called in for an interview when no one was hired from the first two groups. He was hired by then chief Bill Newman.

Within eight months, he made corporal and was moved to the detective division in 1992, then Criminal Investigation Division commander, and moved up the ranks from lieutenant to captain. In December 2004, he replaced the former chief.

"I was interim for 1 1/2 years, but I consider that time as chief," he said.

"Bill Newman told me I would make chief one day. I didn't understand then, but the guys here now I can tell which ones will move up the ladder. I guess you have to get the maturity to know what they were talking about."

Major complaints in the department before he became chief were lack of equipment, the pay scale and being shorthanded. He moved toward solving those big issues, but also

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Betty and J.C. Day upon their wedding in 1949...



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The couple were wed Nov. 24, 1949, in Snyder, Texas. They have 4 children, 9 grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren.

They moved to Ruidoso in 1960. J.C. is retired from Lincoln County Medical Center and Betty retired from the Ruidoso schools in 1996.



Wolfgang Born as a boy in Germany

paid attention to small things, which he is convinced make a big difference.

"I believe that at work and at home," he said. He made sure to involve the people at work in decisions on how to make things better, especially the sergeants. He activated a largely unused special response team, using \$10,000 to equip and train them.

"Accreditation was important. It was talked about before I took over, but we've been working on it since I took over, aside from a period we had to stop because we were so short handed. We're so close. It may not happen before I leave, but it will be soon. You have to prove in a file that everything you do conforms to the adopted policy. It has to be approved by the state. Once a department is accredited, there is less chance of a defense attorney challenging our policy. It's just a big plus and (in law enforcement), they do make big deal out of it. We are a professional department, in my opinion, and being accredited shows the state and gives the officers a little more pride."

He tries to replace or add three cars a year, one for each shift, but leaves it up to the shift sergeants to decide who drives the new vehicles, "as long as its fair."

When an officer or employee may be disciplined, Born sits down at the round table in his office with the sergeant and lieutenant to bring out all the facts. The sergeant does not act alone. It's stressful for a sergeant to have to discipline one of his own, Born said

Each month, a Comprehensive Police Stats session is conducted with sergeants and detectives giving the statistics for their shifts.

"We try to figure out if we have a high crime area or a particular type of crime occurring and come up with an action plan," the chief said. "That's how we formed the burglary task force."

Attending the sessions to share information are

representatives from the Lincoln County Sheriff's Department, the District Attorney, State Police, adult and juvenile probation, livestock inspector, narcotics division, code enforcement, Ruidoso Downs Police, race track security and animal impounding.

"It's amazing what we get out of that," he said. "It's very good. I'm very pleased with that. I always want to keep up with what's going on out there. I read about this and heard about it. I took all three sergeants to Portales when they were just starting up to see how they

were doing it. It's awesome to me."

Everyone in the department saw their paychecks increase in 2006, including dispatch, which now also has state of art equipment through Enhanced 9-1-1. The pay boost helped attract more officer applicants. The department has a fingerprint machine and just bought five night visions units at \$4,200 each, which can detect body heat up to 300 meters to help primarily in burglary calls.

"It can spot someone hiding behind trees or under cars," Born said, "Eventually, I hope units will be part of every patrol car."

The police department also became a hub of different law enforcement efforts by renting space to the state police and narcotics division, among other agencies.

"The village of Ruidoso is best place to work and this department, in my opinion, is professional. I want to believe that every person takes pride. We do extensive background

investigations before we interview. We don't just hire anybody. I think that's one of improvements that happened here. A person has to be a fit. The people make a department. It's their department and I like to give them credit. I try to keep a family atmosphere, but maintain a professional level."

A wall of photographs showing special moments in the lives of the employees was one of the important "little" things added and one that visitors notice, he said.

Perhaps most important has been the emphasis on training.

"We have a training coordinator, Dave Gallegos, and that's been a money saver for the village. Officers from different parts of state and from Texas come here, because we have lots of guys who are trainers. Departments also call us for help, like Tularosa, where they asked us to reconstruct a fatality for them, and the State Police, an accident scene because we had the

training. We have officers trained in voice stress analysis recertified last month, we use for investigations and for background interviews.

"I'm really proud of those things. We brought our radio antennae here to improve communication. We have two school resource officers, one canine unit, the special response team, our own victims advocate, two motor officers, an evidence tech, an accreditation and a training coordinator. It's money well spent. People come to us for assistance. We have some of things larger department might have."

Besides finishing accreditation, a job assigned to Sgt. Ray Merritt Jr., Born said he hopes the new chief will install computers in the patrol cars and scramblers for the radios "so scannerland can't hear." He'd also like one more school resource officer for the lower grades, first through fifth, to join the two officers at the middle and high school. "To me, it's a

circle and the program has worked. Juvenile crime is down by 54 percent, and I give the program that credit."

After his retirement, Born said he plans to spend more time with Diane, to travel, to be a dotting grandfather and to continue training his 7-year-old Quarter Horse, Jake.

"I just built him a 30-by-42-foot barn and he thinks he's living in a condo. I have lots of projects at home and I plan to (install) a few (wood) floors. I like to work with my hands."

No surprise, his "work with his hands" includes creating a bedroom set and kitchen cabinets fitted without nails. His uncle in Germany was a master craftsman.

"I always liked to work with wood. I bought a guy's tools in El Paso when he went overseas. He showed me how to do one thing and that's all it took."

But Born said when he hangs up his badge Dec. 31, it will be for good.

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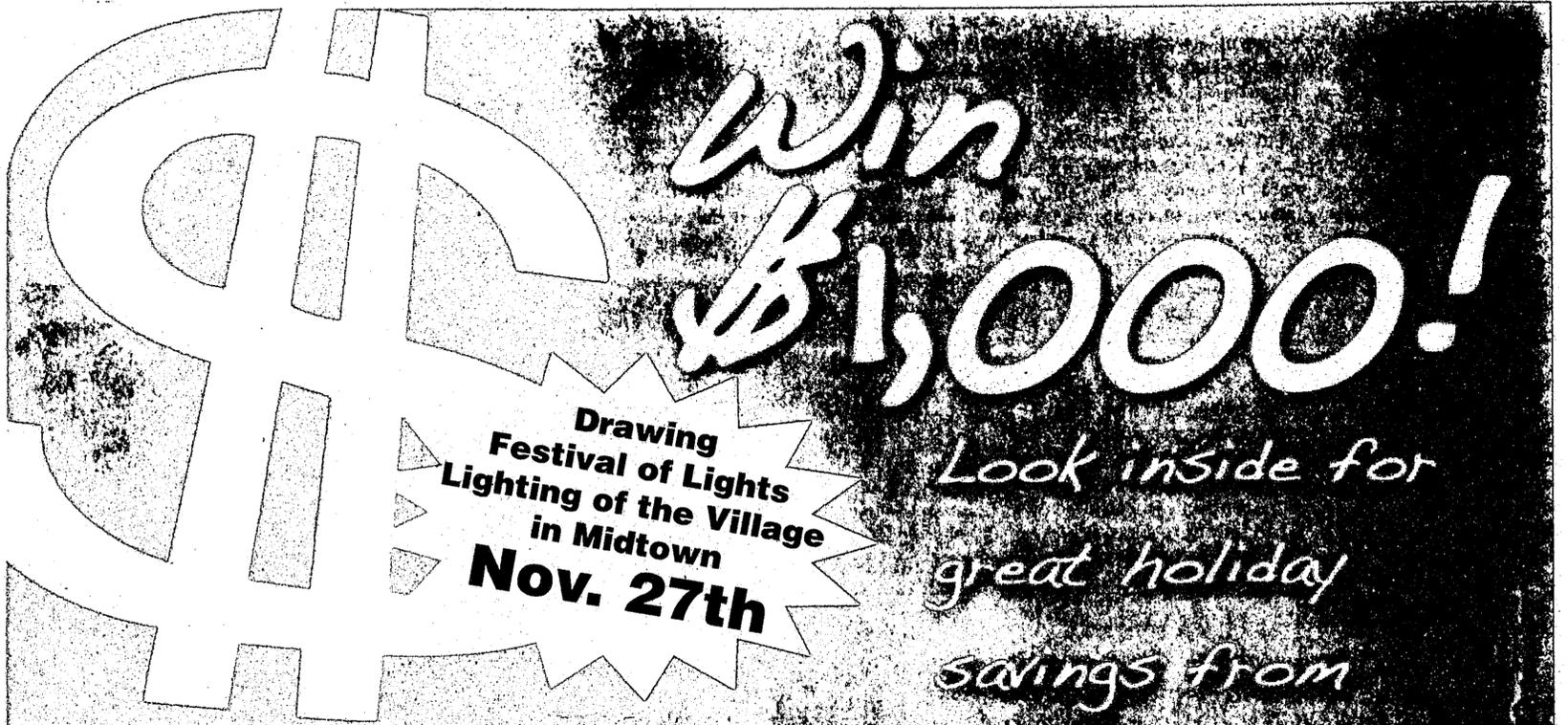
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Get ready for the brawl

IMG will again host King of the Cage fights

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Get ready for Round 4 Saturday as King of the Cage (KOTC) returns for the fourth time this year to the Inn of the Mountain Gods for the popular, crowd-pleasing cage fights billed as "Horsepower."

The Aug. 1 fights, billed as "Gate Keeper," saw an animated, packed house hoot and holler wildly to the rap strains of "Let Your Body Take the Blow," billowing plumes of fake smoke, strobe lights and boisterous approval or condemnation of the particular gladiators in the ring.

In the last event, KOTC staged a slick, professional "happening" from the beginning to the end of the 3 1/2-hour, 14-bout card.

Saturday's action is also scheduled for 14 mixed martial arts (MMA) bouts and three Ruidoso area

High Altitude Combat fighters will enter the 21-foot diameter, 6-foot-high octagon to take part in the rumble at IMG.

Local professional star, Levi Price, will not be fighting due to an injury.

The featured fight of the evening will be for the Bantamweight (145-pounds) KOTC title between Richard Montaña and Donald Sanchez.

Javier Rubio

This will mark Javier "Sweet Face" Rubio's debut as a professional fighter.

The 22-year-old Rubio, a full-time student at ENMU, has an overall record of 11-2 as an amateur.

He has shed five pounds and will fight Alamogordo's Brad Nordquist in the 180-pound class (middleweight).

He looks solid and ready to go.

In his last outing (Aug. 1), the affable Rubio



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Fighters from Ruidoso will be on hand at the IMG event Saturday. From l-r, Javier Rubio, Brian Chavez, James Flores and Julian Flores.

entered the ring with his ever-present smile and then stormed out to a 41-second tap-out victory over Luke Frahm of Roswell.

Rubio is a talented fight-

er but Nordquist is a veteran cager, so this should be an interesting battle.

Brian Chavez

Ruidoso High School

graduate, Brian "The Raging Bull" Chavez, has dropped 10 pounds and will fight in the 175-pound division (welterweight) this time around.

He appears compact and looks to be in the best condition of his career.

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Hondo, Mescalero boys and girls battle

Mescalero girls win going away, boys win close

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The Apache Chiefs boys and girls basketball teams put on a gallant display of athleticism and scored two big wins over the visiting Hondo Eagles Monday evening, 59-56 and 65-27, respectively.

The Lady Chiefs started slowly, and in fact were behind at the end of the first quarter, 6-4, but their running ability soon took over and they spurted out to a 26-12 lead over the Lady Eagles by

halftime.

The Mescalero girls increased their advantage to 39-22 going into the last period of play and won going away by 38.

With Monday's victory the Lady Chiefs are off to a commanding 5-0

start for the 2009 season.

This may not seem that incredible if you didn't know that squad had no senior players.

"These girls have worked very hard going

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Angel Duffy tries for a bucket between two Hondo defenders.



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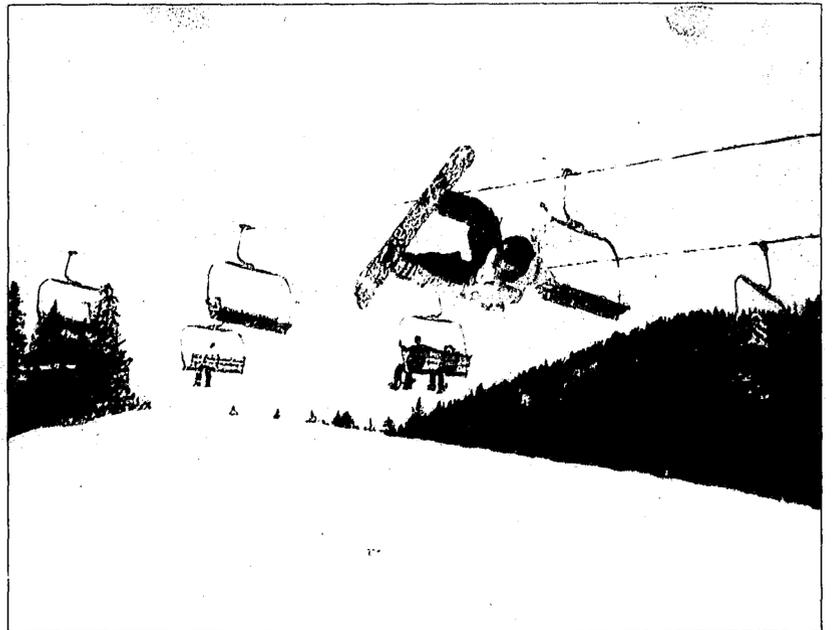
Glen Yellowcloud drives for two in the Chiefs' 59-56 win

SKI APACHE EYES THANKSGIVING OPENING



FILE PHOTO

Lexi Doth negotiates a course at Ski Apache last year. The well-known ski resort intends to open for business Thanksgiving Day from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Lessons for beginners are being offered.



FILE PHOTO

Max Silva shows his talent for Ski Apache enthusiasts last season. Chairs 3 and 5 will be open Thanksgiving. The resort has been making snow since Nov. 1.

CAGERS

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The 1-3-1, 21-year-old fighter, fought a game battle in the August event but lost to Las Cruces resident, Jaime Carreras, in the second round.

James Flores

Area citizen, James Flores, will make his initial appearance as an amateur

fighter in the Saturday bouts. The 31-year-old, always fit Flores will fight in the flyweight class at 135 pounds.

He wrestled at Ruidoso schools, starting in the eighth grade, and works full-time for Cowan Construction here in the village.

His older brother, Julian (32), was a champion wrestler at RHS and fought on the August card at IMG. He lost a very tough 3-

round unanimous decision to Las Cruces brawler Poncho Montaño in the 155-pound division.

Out of respect to the Ruidoso School District, by whom he is employed, he will not be on the fight-card this time around.

All four High Altitude Kombat fighters train at Mike Widener's Southwest Martial Arts and Personal Fitness facilities.

They've been preparing for the upcoming fights for

the last four months, six days a week, five hours a day.

"This is a very intense and unique group of guys," Rubio said. "All of us have trained three times harder than we ever have before."

"That includes a healthy dietary routine, which at times could be considered fanatical. We intend to function in these Saturday fights at an optimum performance level."

A diligent cardio regi-

men is also part of the discipline.

Part of their six-days-a-week preparation sessions include weight training, wrestling, ju jitsu, Hapkido Karate and sparring.

They also box at the First Baptist Church of Ruidoso Downs under the guidance of David Ordorica and George Romero.

The trio of cagers are generously sponsored by local businesses - Noisy Water Artwear, The

Quarters, Lucy's Mexicali Restaurant, Christian Construction, Loverin Real Estate Team, Circle J Barbecue, Ray's Automotive and Copper Mountain Auto Body.

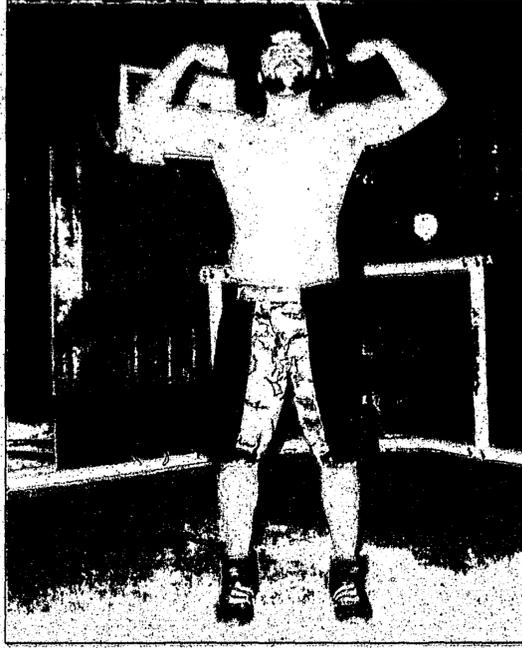
You are cordially invited to a public "meet-and-greet" weigh-in in the lobby of the Inn of the Mountain Gods, Friday, at 7 p.m.

Doors for the Saturday fights will open at 6 p.m. and the first bout is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m.



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Javier Rubio will make his professional debut Saturday.



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Brian Chavez, an RHS grad, will be on Saturday's card.



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James Flores will make his amateur debut at IMG.

HOOPS

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into this season," Mescalero head coach Steve Baker said.

"Because of their efforts they can now run all day if they have to."

"In practice, we do full-court drills at game speed."

"We're happy to be where we are but we're inexperienced at this level of play and as a result we obviously have things we need to work on. But I believe we'll get there."

For the Lady Eagles, this was their opening game of the year.

"We turned the ball over far too often," Hondo head coach Brad Holland said. "We have some potential but we have a long way to go."

The Hondo girls will next play Dec. 1, at 5 p.m., at Capitan while the Lady Chiefs will entertain Dexter on Dec. 3.

Immediately following the girls' game the boys took their turn on the hardwood.

And this contest was a

barnburner from beginning to end.

Early on, the Eagles set the pace with two first-quarter 3-point buckets and led 13-9 going into the second quarter of play.

Mescalero's passing in the inside lanes left a lot to be desired, but they clawed their way to a 27-26 deficit at halftime.

The contest remained a nip-and-tuck affair for most of the last half of action.

At the 7:10 mark of the third quarter, the Chiefs pulled ahead for the first time, 30-29.

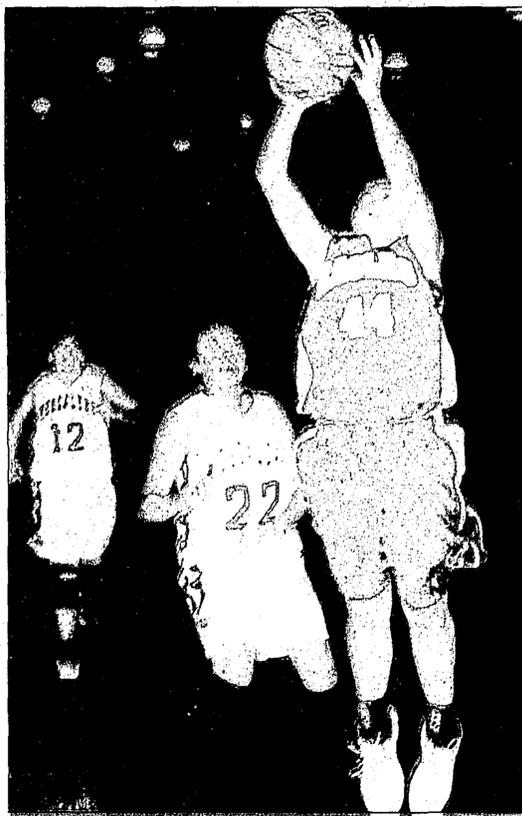
But with 26 seconds left in that period, the Eagles regained the lead, 41-40.

At one point, in the last quarter, Hondo led by as much as seven points but with 1:05 left in the game Mescalero grabbed a 57-56 advantage.

The Eagles went to the foul line for two shots and missed both.

With 34 seconds remaining, Glen Yellowcloud sank a 2-point score to put the Chiefs up by three.

With seconds remaining Hondo took three shots and



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Alicia Nieto scores for Hondo.

missed all of them to give the Chiefs a 3-point win.

Mescalero will next travel to Tularosa, Dec. 10,

for a 7:30 p.m. game while Hondo will travel to Capitan, Dec. 1, for a 5

p.m. tilt.



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Hondo's Christian Guillen pumps in two.

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Tips for a low-fat Thanksgiving

If the thought of all that Thanksgiving feasting leaves you worried about eating too much fat, or simply overeating, here are some tips to help you enjoy Thanksgiving without expanding your waistline.

Remember, many of the traditional foods served during Thanksgiving are nutritious, it's what we do to them that loads them with extra calories and fat.

- Turkey has little fat, is full of protein and is an important source of B vitamins. Your best bet is turkey breast, but be sure to remove the skin first. A three-ounce serving of skinless turkey breast has about 120 calories and 1 gram of fat. If you choose to eat dark meat instead, a three-ounce skinless serving delivers around 160 calories and six grams of fat (two grams of which are saturated).

- Sweet potatoes are a rich source of beta-carotene, vitamin C, vitamin E, potassium and fiber. Leave out the butter and excess sugar. Use orange juice and a sprinkling of brown sugar for flavor instead.

Limit your portion size to no

more than half a cup.

- Regular potatoes are also an excellent source of vitamins and minerals. Lose the butter and heavy cream, and use either reduced sodium, fat-free chicken broth or fat-free milk and sour cream instead. Flavor with garlic, fresh herbs and ground black pepper. Again, keep your portion size small.

- Cranberries are a great source of vitamin C, and contain compounds that are believed to block certain bacteria that cause infections. Add oranges to make orange cranberry sauce and you add even more vitamin C.

- Pumpkin is a terrific source of beta-carotene and fiber. Enjoy a lighter crust Pumpkin pie by using phyllo dough.

Use egg whites, or egg substitute, and fat-free evaporated milk in the crust-less pie.

- Vegetables should be steamed or roasted rather than slathered in butter or cheesy sauces.

Skip the fried onion rings on top of the green beans (you could use toasted almonds or walnuts instead), and use vinaigrette

dressings or herbs for flavor.

That leaves us with gravy and stuffing, which are notorious sources of fat and calories.

Make a lower fat gravy by straining the fat from the drippings (a fat separator makes the job easier), and using cornstarch or a sprinkling of flour as thickening agents rather than a butter and flour roux.

Add extra flavor to your gravy by using herbs and wine. You can make a low fat stuffing by omitting butter, using fat-free broth.

Below are some low fat versions of traditional Thanksgiving dishes.

Low Fat Pumpkin Pie

Most of the fat in pumpkin pie is in the crust. Here's a great no-crust, no-bake pumpkin pie without all the fat. This makes a great low fat option for Thanksgiving.

- 1/4 cup water
 - 2 1-ounce envelopes unflavored gelatin
 - 2 cups fat-free evaporated milk, divided
 - 3/4 cup packed brown sugar
 - 1 15-ounce can pure pumpkin
 - 1 tsp cinnamon
 - 1/2 tsp ground ginger
 - 1/4 tsp nutmeg
 - 1/4 tsp cloves
 - 1 tsp vanilla extract
- Spray a 9-inch pie plate with nonstick cooking spray.

In a large bowl, sprinkle gelatin in water. Leave to stand for 5 minutes.

Pour 1 cup of fat-free evaporated milk into a small saucepan and heat until almost boiling. Remove from heat and whisk into gelatin.

Don't worry if the gelatin has hardened, the hot milk will liquefy it. Stir in remaining cup of evaporated milk, sugar, canned pumpkin, cinnamon, ginger, nutmeg, cloves and vanilla extract. Stir until well blended.

Pour pumpkin mixture into pie plate. Refrigerate for at least 2 hours.

Zesty Cranberry Orange Sauce

Add a little zing to your holiday table and serve this spiced cranberry orange sauce. This can be made a few days ahead.

- 1 pound fresh cranberries, rinsed and picked through
 - 3/4 cup sugar
 - juice and zest of 1 large orange
 - 1 cinnamon stick
 - 4 cloves
 - 1/2 tsp ground ginger
 - 1/4 cup light red wine (pinot noir is a good choice)
- Combine ingredients in a large saucepan. Bring to a boil; reduce heat and simmer for about 10 minutes, stirring occasionally, until cranberries pop and sauce thickens. Remove

from heat and let cool. Remove cinnamon, cloves and zest. Pour sauce into a bowl and chill.

Garlic Mashed Potatoes
Garlic mashed potatoes can be creamy and flavorful without all that butter and cream.

Try this version for your holiday table, or as a side dish for any occasion.

- 2 pounds Yukon Gold potatoes, peeled and cut into pieces
 - 6 garlic cloves, peeled
 - 1/3 cup fat-free milk, warmed
 - 1/3 cup fat-free sour cream
 - 1/2 tsp black pepper
 - Chives, freshly chopped
- Boil potatoes and garlic cloves in a large saucepan for 20 minutes until potatoes are tender. Drain and return to pan.

Add heated milk plus sour cream to potatoes and garlic, and mash with a potato masher until smooth.

Use a little more milk if you prefer thinner mashed potatoes. Add black pepper to taste. Garnish with some chopped chives.

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MARSHA PALMER

TIPS FOR THE HOME

Veterans Day with Rosalie

The Golden Corral honored our veterans and present military personnel with a free supper on Veterans Day.

The Onate High School Navy ROTC were the volunteers. There were six ROTC in uniform and presented "I Am Old Glory."

What a wonderful rendition of the history of our flag. The uniform members held the flag with so much love and respect.

At certain points the flag was presented to the one behind him with the salutes. A very moving performance.

It was cold and a little breezy but we all stood at attention with the love in our hearts for Old Glory.

These Navy ROTC youngsters have served as waiters, bussing the tables, helping those who were having problems getting around all the people for about four years.

I met the chaperone, Susan Grubbs.

She was a lot of fun and was enjoying the evening with her cadets. She also is a photographer.



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Kudos to all these youngsters who are our future of our country.

Rick Strausser, of Washington, visited his parents, Bill and Bev Strausser, recently.

Bill is still working on the Dolan House. He is working on the back rooms.

We had planned on being in Lincoln last weekend, but we couldn't.

I had planned on attending the Creative Memories Retreat at Fort Lone Tree. Hopefully I can in February.

Also, Jon Amastae, El Paso UTEP, was the guest speaker at the Lincoln county Historical Society.

He spoke on the Appalachian English and New Mexico Spanish. We really hated to miss his presentation.

OCTOBER ¡BRAVO!



Carrizozo ¡BRAVO! for October honored the above students. Grades K-2, top photo, front row: Tazia Swift, Keegan Gattis, Erollyn Lueras, Bella Bartz, Robert Lueras, Daniel Najjar, Kelsie Guevara, Melissa Barela, Jameal Garcia, and Mathias Zamora; Second row: Kaitlin Guevara, Max Sanchez, Dallton King, Ethan Ortiz, Sydney Zamora, Sunitana Zamora, Ali Hernandez, Joanna Vega, Jacob Parkhurst, and Gabby Sloan; Top row: Nickolas Archuleta, Marcus Vallejos, Mya Zamora, D'anna Willingham, Ryslyn Lueras, Nathan Montes, Austin Vega, and Christopher Chavez. Grade 3-5, front: Patrick Hooten, Precious Hernandez, Clayton Swift, Orion Wyatt, Tristen Barela, Dominic Barela, and Jared Guevara; Second row: Kirselle Montes, Cody Carter, Victor Najera, Angel Miller-Barela, Megan Nava, Detrick Miller, Top: Hannah Ventura, Adrianna Samora, Deline Arteche, Gracie Hooten, Lashae Lueras, Janae Willingham, and Kristie Gallacher.

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RUIDOSO POLICE BRIEFS

Oct. 22
 5:16 p.m. - A shoplifting case reported this date may turn into embezzlement as a manager for Burkes Outlet, 209 U.S. 70, continues to look into two employees.

They had been initially accused of shoplifting. But more evidence, including surveillance video recordings, suggested items worth more than \$2,500 may have been taken.

The case has been turned over to the police department's Criminal Investigation Division for further investigation and possible criminal charges.

Oct. 23
 5:28 p.m. - A woman reported to police she had

been punched in the chest by a man she had formerly dated. He was also accused of taking her keys and a cell phone. Police have been trying to contact the suspect.

Nov. 4
 9:20 a.m. - A report of harassment was filed by a woman who told an officer that she had gotten a text message on her cell phone that alluded to an affair between the sender and her husband. But the sender told police the woman making the allegation had contacted her first to harass her.

Nov. 6
 6:42 a.m. - Police were dispatched to a Close Drive location where a victim

said two welding units had been taken from a shed. The equipment was valued at \$2,000. The case was turned over to the Criminal Investigation Division of the Ruidoso Police Department.

Nov. 11
 9:42 a.m. - Police took a report of criminal damage to property in the 200 block of Upper Terrace Drive. The reporting person said tires on three vehicles were damaged to the tune of \$200.

Nov. 12
 12:11 p.m. - A report of shoplifting at Lawrence Brothers I.G.A. resulted in the arrest of Lilly Hunter, 63, of Mescalero. She was also arrested for criminal

trespass. The woman allegedly tried to conceal a bottle from the store's liquor department.

9:27 p.m. - Items were reported missing from a car that had been parked on Hill Top Drive.

The reporting party told police the vehicle had been unlocked.

Nov. 13
 8:43 a.m. - Police were contacted about items removed from a car that had been parked on Rio Street. The reported burglary was believed to have occurred on Nov. 3. The value of the missing items was \$135.

Nov. 14
 No time - A woman reported to police that

someone had been using the telephone to harass. She said she had gotten 31 phone calls, including text messages since Oct. 1. Some of the senders' phone numbers were restricted, and did not display, while others did. Police have set up an interview with an alleged suspect.

3:17 p.m. - Police responded to a home in the 300 block of Paradise Canyon Road for a report of criminal damage to property.

The resident returned home after being gone since early October to find a kitchen window broken out.

A rock was on a porch in front of the window.

Another window was discovered cracked.

Nov. 15
 10:34 p.m. - A woman who resides at a White Mountain Meadows Drive home told police she had received a threat.

She said a former boyfriend had threatened to break all her windows.

Nov. 16
 11:30 a.m. - Police were called to Napa Auto Parts, 113 U.S. 70, over a vehicle that had been left in the parking lot on Nov. 14. A check showed the vehicle had been reported stolen from an Albuquerque auto dealer.

The vehicle was impounded for Albuquerque police to retrieve.

RUIDOSO DOWNS POLICE BRIEFS

Nov. 15
 4:06 a.m. - An officer at the gas pumps at Walmart noticed damage had been done. He asked that a Walmart manager meet him to make a report, but no one came to the pumps.

4:07 a.m. - A woman was arrested on a warrant issued by the Chaves County District Court. Jennifer Harris, 31, was also taken into custody for a previous shoplifting incident at Walmart.

4:09 a.m. - A Ruidoso Police Department officer was called in to write an accident report after a Ruidoso Downs officer rolled her police car into a New Mexico State Police vehicle. No one was injured.

6:48 p.m. - An officer

went to Walmart in reference to verbal harassment stemming from a child support case. The officer took a report and told those involved the matter is a civil issue.

6:51 p.m. - Medical

responders were sent to the 200 block of S. Central Drive for a person having seizures. The patient was taken to the Lincoln County Medical Center.

10 p.m. - An officer went to a Turkey Canyon Lane

location on a call of an earlier breaking and entering.

A report was taken.

Nov. 16

2:15 p.m. - Police responded to an undisclosed residence after a 9-1-1 hang-up and a report of a

domestic incident. Officers were told there was a temporary restraining order between a man and a woman at the location, but neither was arrested because the man had been requested by his father to

assist with medical issues.

2:19 p.m. - A resident on Utah Lane called police to report six or seven "vicious" Pit bull dogs on the loose.

The city's animal control officer was brought into the case.

Prayer service for Francine "Chico" Sago

60, of Mescalero will be Tuesday, Nov. 24, at 6:00 PM at St. Joseph's Mission at Mescalero where the funeral mass will be on Wednesday, Nov. 18, at 10:00 AM with burial to follow at the Mescalero Cemetery.

Ms. Sago passed away Friday, November 20, 2009, in Albuquerque. She was born August 23, 1949 at Mescalero and had lived there all of her life. She was a nursing assistant and attended St. Joseph's Mission at Mescalero.

Survivors include her children, Raymond Sago, Tyrone Sago, Fidelis Orosco, Shelton Ortega Jr., Shalene Jaramillo, Hansen Ortega, Tony Ortega, Paschal Ortega, Julien Ortega, and Emmanuel Botella; a brother, Todd Chico; 3 sisters, LaVonne Sanchez, Betti Chico, and Jocelyn Chico; and 8 grandchildren.

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

Melany Elizabeth Newman

Melany Elizabeth Newman, beloved daughter, sister, mother and friend, went to be with our Lord, October 13, 2009. Melany was born in Dallas, Texas September 8, 1969. Melany is survived by her mother, Mary Steel of Ruidoso, sister Angela Newman, of Ruidoso, and sister Penny Keller of Albuquerque, NM.

Melany is also survived by her children, Christopher James Harwood, age 23, of Gillette, WY, Nikki Singleton, age 22, of Las Cruces, NM, James Wesley Singleton, age 22, of San Diego, CA, Brittany Duran, age 18, of Ft. Worth, TX and Roman Duran, age 16, of Ft. Worth, TX. Melany is also survived by her fiancée David Keaton of Ruidoso, NM and numerous nieces and nephews.

Melany lived in Dallas, TX, and later moved to Iran, with her mother and sister, and they were presented to and dined with the Shaw of Iran. They moved back to the United States and Melany and her sister spent their school years in Ruidoso, NM.

Melany moved to Dallas, TX and acquired her brokers license for oil and gas, covering the southwest United States.

Melany eventually moved to Monterey, CA, where she lived for many years, attended college and received her degrees in Computer Science and Business Administration, from Monterey Bay Community College, and she acquired her own business there, "TECHYANGELS." Melany, Brittany and Roman traveled world wide during the years they lived in Monterey.

Melany was a beautiful, vivacious and happy person, who loved and lived life to the fullest. She was everyone's "Shining Star." Melany will be sorely missed in our lives.

We all would like to thank everyone for their kindness and concern during this difficult time.

If you wish to make a donation in her memory, please give to the local food bank or Humane Society Animal Shelter.

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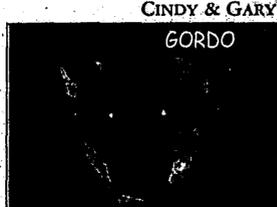
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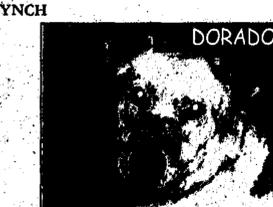
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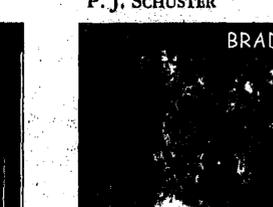
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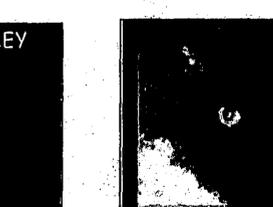
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#8872 1T (11)25 BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE RESOLUTION NO. 2010-01 OPEN MEETINGS ACT

WHEREAS, the Beautification Committee met in regular session at 4:00 PM on Wednesday, November 2, 2010 at the City Hall Hub Room, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico as required by law; and

WHEREAS, Section 1015-1(B) of the Open Meetings Act (N.M.S.A. Section 10-15-1 to 10-15-4) states that, except as may be otherwise provided in the Constitution or the provisions of the Open Meetings Act, a meeting of any board, council, commission, or administrative advisory body or other policymaking body of any state or local public agency held for the purpose of formulating public policy, discussing public business, or for the purpose of taking any action within the scope of the delegated authority of such body, are declared to be public meetings open to the public at all times; and

WHEREAS, any meeting of any board, council, commission, or administrative advisory body of any state or local public agency held for the purpose of taking any action within the scope of the delegated authority of such body, are declared to be public meetings open to the public at all times; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Beautification Committee that:

1. All meetings shall be held at City Hall Hub Room, Ruidoso Downs, NM at 4:00 pm.
2. Unless otherwise specified, regular meetings shall be held on the third Wednesday of each month. The agenda will be available at least twenty-four hours prior to the meeting from the City Hall, whose office is located at 122 Dowley Drive, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico. The agenda will be given ten (10) days in advance of the meeting date. The notice shall indicate how a copy of the agenda may be obtained.

3. The Chairperson or a majority of the members upon three (3) days notice may call special meetings. The notice shall include information on how members may obtain a copy of the agenda. The agenda shall be available to the public at least twenty-four hours before any special meeting.

4. Emergency meetings will be called only under unforeseen circumstances, which require immediate action to protect the health, safety and property of citizens or to protect the public body from substantial damage. The Beautification Committee will call emergency meetings whenever possible. The Chairperson or a majority of the members upon twenty-four (24) hours notice may call emergency meetings, unless there is a threat of personal injury or property damage which requires less notice. The notice for all emergency meetings shall include an agenda for the meeting or information on how the public may obtain a copy of the agenda.

5. For the purposes of regular meetings and emergency meetings described in paragraph 3 and 4, this resolution, notice requirements are provided in the agenda, time, place and agenda is provided by telephone to news-

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papers of general circulation in the state are posted in the office of the City Clerk. Telephone notice also shall be given to those broadcast stations licensed by the Federal Communications Commission and newspapers of general circulation that have made a written request for notice of public meetings.

7. In addition to the information specified above, all notices shall include the following language:

If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing, please contact the City Clerk's office at 122 Dowley Drive, Ruidoso Downs, NM (575) 378-4222 if a summary or other accessible format is needed.

8. The Beautification Committee may close a meeting to the public if the subject matter of the discussion or action is accepted from the meeting under Section 10-15-1(H) of the Open Meetings Act.

(a) If any meeting is closed during an open meeting, such closure shall be approved by a majority vote of a quorum of the Beautification Committee during the open meeting. The authorizing the closure, the subject to be discussed, and the specific information to be discussed shall be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

(b) If the decision to hold a closed meeting is made by the Beautification Committee, the notice shall be given to the members of the committee and the general public.

(c) Following a closed meeting, the minutes of the meeting shall be given to the members of the committee and the general public.

(d) Except as provided in Section 10-15-1(H) of the Open Meetings Act, any action taken as a result of discussions in a closed meeting shall be made by the Beautification Committee in an open public meeting.

9. The Committee Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to publish in a newspaper of general circulation in the state and posted in the following locations: Bulletin Board, Copies of written notices of public meetings shall be given to those broadcast stations licensed by the Federal Communications Commission and newspapers of general circulation, which have made a written request for notice of public meetings.

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#8874 3T (11)25, (12)2,9 ALTO LAKES WATER & SANITATION DISTRICT NOTICING PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ADOPTING AN ORDINANCE

The City of Ruidoso reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive any informality or technicality in any proposal. Decisions of the State Labor Commissioner setting wage rates will be a part of the Contract.

The New Mexico Procurement Code (N.M.S.A. §§13-128 through §13-139, as amended) imposes civil and criminal penalties for its violation. In addition, the New Mexico criminal statutes impose penalties for illegal bribes, gratuities and kickbacks.

Intake / Medical Records Specialist - Must be able to multi-task and be comfortable in a fast-paced environment. Minimum requirements include: one year of college/technical school or two years of related office experience, excellent communications skills, ability to deal with the public, and computer proficiency (word processing, spreadsheets, data bases etc.) Bilingual/Spanish a plus.

Drop off letter of interest and resume at The Counseling Center, 206 Sudderth Drive, Ruidoso, and pick up and complete employment application at same address. Position open until filled. Excellent benefits package. EOE

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Equibest Equestrian Center. Part-time help (2 days/week) cleaning stalls, feed & groom show horses. Some landscaping work. Call Sharon 330-7690

Evening caregiver for disabled businessman in beautiful home in Ruidoso. The perfect candidate will enjoy cooking & keeping the home neat. Housing available. 575-336-7474 between 8-3:30-5.

Great Wall of China Restaurant is accepting applications for positions. Please apply in person at 2913 Sudderth

Part time position available for an RN Nurse working with Developmentally Disabled Individuals. Please call 257-4672 for information

Liberty Finance Part time positions available. Must have strong customer service skills & attention to detail. Reliable transportation, driver's license, & auto insurance. Apply in person at 238 Sudderth.

Teen Male Dancers needed for Talent Show/Fund Raiser at Ruidoso Convention Center on Nov. 27, 09. 937-3715

General Help Wanted 230 GREEN TREE SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY is accepting applications for an Accounts Receivable II position formerly listed as Billing Clerk II, Valid New Mexico Driver's License required. Positions will be filled as needed. You may pick up applications and job descriptions at 222 Second Street, Ruidoso Downs, NM or call (575) 378-4697. Application deadline will be Friday, December 4, 2009, at 2:00 p.m.

General Help Wanted 230 General Help Wanted 230 General Help Wanted 230

LOOKING FOR EXPERIENCED TAX PREPARERS Jackson Hewitt Tax Service has 3 positions available for experienced preparers for the upcoming tax season. Bilingual (Spanish) preferred. The Jackson Hewitt Advantage: Earn Extra Income Flexible Work Hours Confident & Competent Tax Preparation Skills Work with the #1 Ranked Proprietary Tax Software Career Opportunities Available Continued Tax Education Advanced Training

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Person Needed To Sell New & Used Vehicles At RUIDOSO FORD Lincoln Mercury

We provide health insurance, vacation, a guaranteed salary + commission, with an earning potential of \$40,000 or MORE. We will provide training, sales experience not necessary. This is a 6 days a week job. Must have Driver's License.

Contact Jack 378-4400 Only between 10AM-2PM

Health Care 232 Busy Community Mental Health Center seeking dependable, self-motivated individual to fill the following position in our Ruidoso office:

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3 Units, 2 bd, 2 ba, unfurn. Condos. \$600-\$675/mo. Call THE WOODLANDS at 258-1161

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1 bd house for rent Satellite & Viceroy. Located down from the Little First Nat'l Bank. \$530/mo. 257-3993

1 bd Apt. Small furn. for pets. \$295/mo. all bills pd. except Heat. 575-808-2461 no answer leave mess.

2 Bd, Gas/water pd. Appliances, central location, W/D hook-up, no pets, FP. \$600. /mo. Ref., Dep & Lease req. 505-263-2362

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Unfurn. Home - General 352

3 bd, 2 ba. \$890/mo. Southside Garden tub, sm. fen. yd., no smokers, garage, pet on approv. 257-7911

4br 2ba water paid 575-937-3514 or 432-614-6247 Diego

Beautiful home in Alto. 2500 sq ft. Easy access. 3 bd 3 ba, 2 Kiva fp. \$1,600. 937-6601

For rent 101 N. Candlerwood. NICE 2 bd, 1 bath, fully furn. Good location up Brady canyon \$695/mo. Dep.\$400. + util. No pets. No smoking. 505-350-4412 or 575-257-4272

for Rent very clean 3/2 on Cree Meadows golf course. easy access year round f/p, w/d hook up, dishwasher and New Carpet \$800. Call 928-222-2015

LARGE, newly remodeled, 3 bd, 2 ba, laundry hook-up, no deck, 14250, no smoking. Pets. Near Big O fires. \$660/mo. 257-0011

Sml clean, 2 Downs area. 1300/mo. Ref req. 1300/mo. 575-937-4985 or 937-7566

UNIQUE 1 BDRM HOUSE, secluded cul de sac, midtown, W/D, stainless steel kitchen, see thru gas pet, deck, Big lot. Easy. \$750. 258-5877

2 bd, 1 ba, fen. vd. Pets Ok. Credit check. \$650/mo. Jo Steel Agency. 336-4700

2 bd, 1 ba Almost New unfurn. house. 8x16 storage, gas fireplace, new car pet, deck, Big lot. Easy. \$750. 258-5877

2 bd, 2.5 ba, fp. Good Location. Year round access. backyard. \$700/mo. 937-6601

2bd \$350 mo + 300 dep & bills no pets location #58 Turkey Canyon Rd. Ruidoso Downs. call 378-1287 or 378-4824

2 bd house for rent at 104 South Hickory. 575-378-4315

3-2 1/2 log home long term lease 1700 Sq ft. with Over-sized 2 car gar. 10 year old, newly remodeled. For more info call Age 505 2982783 or 505 6041267 or Mary ann 575 336-7978

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109 Skylone 2 bd, 2 ba \$67k Seller Financing, maybe Seller/Broker. 575-937-8801

FOR SALE BY OWNER 3 Bedroom 2 Bath home. Secured view. \$169,000 575 258-1359 or 575-937-2581

4 bd, 3 ba. Outstanding Sierra Blanca views. Garage/storage. Possible 1st flr. Dan Bolin. AMOR Realty, 937-0600

Custom 3 bd, 2 ba near midtown & River. In-law quarters. Lg lot. \$214,500. MLS #16180. Dan Bolin. AMOR Realty, 937-0600

Newly remodeled 1 bd, 1 ba near midtown. \$85,000. MLS #105854. AMOR Realty, Dan Bolin. 937-0600

HIGH MOUNTAIN LODGE on 80 acres. At elevation 7650, and located 2.5 miles south of White Oaks, NM, this property is as good as it gets. 4 bd, 6 bath main Lodge, 1 bd, 1 bath cabin, pond, springs, water rights. Would make awesome guest ranch, eco camp, church retreat, family compound, etc. For Lease: \$2250/mo., long term only. Owner/agent Scott Roser, 808-1297

CARRIZOZO-3 BD 2BA LIKE NEW, Never lived in since huge remodel, wonderful bright 12'x24' separate studio, shop or bedroom, 2 car carport, nice trees w/private fenced yard, beautiful low maintenance landscape on timer, new appliances, new A/C and heat system, W/D, new metal roof on all structures, quiet nice area! Pride of ownership! Out-standing Value! Seller Motivated! Reduced \$145,000. Call 336-1555 or 937-4553.

Residential Lots 436 Sun Valley Lot for sale! 1/2 ac. Mostly level. \$1. \$47,500. No Realtors Please! 575-937-6431

Land/Acreage 442 1.3 acres near Nat'l Forest, close to town, RV's allowed. \$35,000. MLS #105322. Dan Bolin, AMOR Realty, 937-0600

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3bd 3514 sq. ft. w/4 bd, 3 1/4 ba. Master Bd Suite w/sitting area. 2 Wl closets a Marble. LR, DR, FR. Studyroom. Full Guest Suite. Lg gourmet kitchen w/ ss appliances, granite CH wood cabinets, 3 car garage on 14 wooded acres. 3 yrs old. \$685,000 336-9963

Homes - General 412 Homes - General 412

Land/Acreage 442
 5 acres in Encinitas Forest with water, level with excellent exposure. \$39,500. MLS #104163. Dan Bolin, AMOR Realty, 937-0600

Owner Financing! Closing cost down. Flat lot with all utilities. \$30,000. MLS #104596. AMOR Realty, Dan Bolin, 937-0600

Price Reduced! Two lots all utilities installed. Level access. Dirt work complete. Ready to build. Central location. \$31,000. Dan Bolin, AMOR Realty, 937-0600

Riverfront 2 lg lots, midtown, 138' river frontage, no flooding. Good terms. 937-3865

Mobile Homes/Mg. Housing 500
 4 bd, 3 ba, 3 car gar. Lots of house for the money. \$157,000. MLS #104221. AMOR Realty, Dan Bolin, 937-0600

Carport, Office/Workshop, level access, fenced yard, refrigerated air, 1500 sq ft. \$85,000. MLS #102352. Owner/Agent Dan Bolin, 937-0600

For Sale! 2 bd, 2 ba 14x80 Lancer Mobile in Twin Spruce Park \$20,000. 806-359-1698 or 806-672-3582

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RUIDOSO/CAPITAN AREA
 NEW LOWER PRICE!!!
 AWESOME VIEWS FROM YOUR WRAP AROUND DECK
 3 Bedroom/2 Full Baths on 1+ Acres. Master Suite w/ 5 Foot Marble Shower and Six Foot Soaking Tub. Large Walk in Closet With Lots of Shelves & Shoe Racks.
 NEW, SYNTHETIC STUCCO LOW ENERGY EFFICIENT WINDOWS. ELECTRICAL, PLUMBING, INSULATION, METAL ROOF. LIGHT FIXTURES, STAINLESS STEEL APPLIANCES, PLUMBING FIXTURES, CABINETS, INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR DOORS. GAS FURNED AIR HEATER, CEILING FANS, FLOORING, CARPET TILE, WINDOW COVERINGS, ECONOMICAL TANKLESS ON DEMAND WATER HEATER, WHOLE HOUSE WATER FILTER.
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 FSDO 2 bd, 1 1/2 ba AM in great area. Carpet w/ wood on new patio. Stone top water heater. \$82,500. MLS #104163. Dan Bolin, 937-0600

LEASE/PURCHASE! \$135,000. 3 bd, 2 ba, 2 car garage, work shop. \$650/mo. AMOR Realty, Dan Bolin, 937-0600

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\$CASH\$ REWARD FOR PRE 1940 LURES, REELS, RODS & TACKLE BOXES

PAYING RETAIL PRICES: RICK @ 575-354-0365

goods & services 600-668 & 2550-4137

Fuel/Wood 620
 A 1 Fire wood splitter. We will come to your house & split your wood. Call for details and pricing. \$75,630. 9027

Misc. Items 625
 9 ft Pre-lite artificial Christmas tree w/stand & 10 bags. \$75. 637-4636

Artic Claw, American made stub mud & snow tires, 225/60R16. Very near new. \$57.50 for pair. In Alto. 405-535-6001

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GREAT XMAS GIFT
 Dynamo Football table. 29" x 27" in. Chesnut finish, solid legs, wooden handles. Chrome plated steel rods. Perfect condition! \$400. 258-5405

Used Scuff, Various sizes. New, arched window, 30x87, metal & wood. 575-973-0594

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Cats/Other Pets/Supplies 724
FREE CAT! 3 yr. spayed, shots. Female longgrey hair Persian. Lovible, sweet, housebroken. Timid. \$75-257-7743 or 257-3884

Appliances 626
 Frost Free white, 10 sq. ft. GE, refrigerator. Excell. Cond. \$200. 937-1533

Older Whirlpool Dryer, needs belt, \$50. 2 sets of Bunk beds complete, \$125 ea. 257-0872 for appl.

Garage/Yard/Estate Sales 828
 Estate Sale! 152 Alto Apts Rd Unit 122 Fri, Nov 27th 8 am - 5 pm

ESTATE SALE!
 Antiques, Collectables, Bake Sale & more. 350 Country Club Dr. Fri, Nov 27th, 10-4pm. Sat, Nov 28th, 10-4 pm. Sun., Nov 29th, 10-2 pm. \$3.00 PER PERSON. 1957 Spartron Travel Trailer. Excellent Condition. (575) 808-1994

Musical Merchandise 644
 Hand made Italian Hardwood piano for sale \$12,500. 257-4071

Building Materials 650
 1000's of Rail Road ties grade 1 9ft \$650 each, grade 2 9ft \$450 each. Georgia at 505-257-3368 & 505-836-4107

pets 700-725

HAY RANCH! Roswell, NM. Alfalfa, all qualities. 5m & 1g Square Bales. 575-973-2200

Dogs/Services/Supplies 722
 Mostiff Puppies for sale \$500. Get your Christmas puppies now. 336-1857

91 Mitsubishi Mirage (parts) \$350. O.B.O. 83 Dodge Mirado, runs \$500. O.B.O. 74 28" Dodge RV runs \$700. O.B.O. 354-5033

92005 Chevy Malibu Classic \$5,995. Levi Auto Sales (575)527-8697

97 Cadillac STS, Loaded, 113K, Blue book value \$5,465 buy for \$3,200. O.B.O. 808-2124 or 257-8777

FOR SALE! 2007 CADILLAC DTS. Excel. Cond. 40,000 mi. new tires. \$22,000. O.B.O. Below Book Value. 575-354-2554 or 937-1014

Honda Civic 1991
 35+ miles per gallon. \$1800. 575-973-0551

recreation 799-816
Water Homes 810
 1974 Terry Travel Trailer, 8x30, needs work. \$1,990. 808-8568

auto 900-921
Sport Utility 912
 89 Bronco, Rover, 302 engine, 4 speed, look great, 4 wd. 937-6601

Vans/Buses 913
 1992 Full size Dodge Ram, 250 van. Seats 7, runs great. \$2,500. 258-2255

Auto For Sale 917
 2000 Chevy Malibu \$4,750. Levi Auto Sales (575)527-8697

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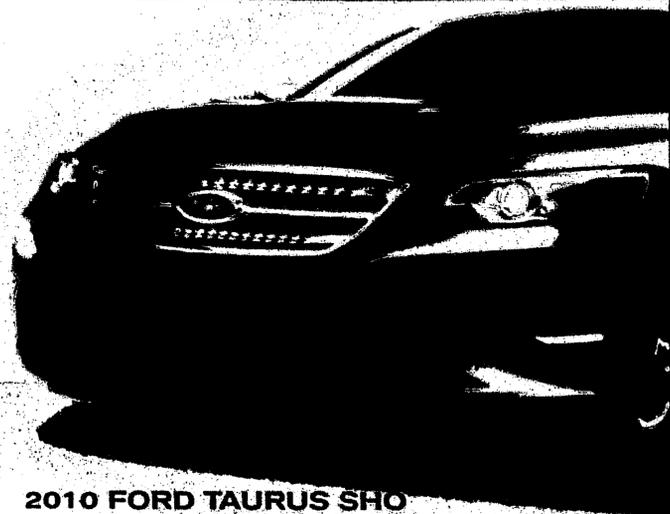
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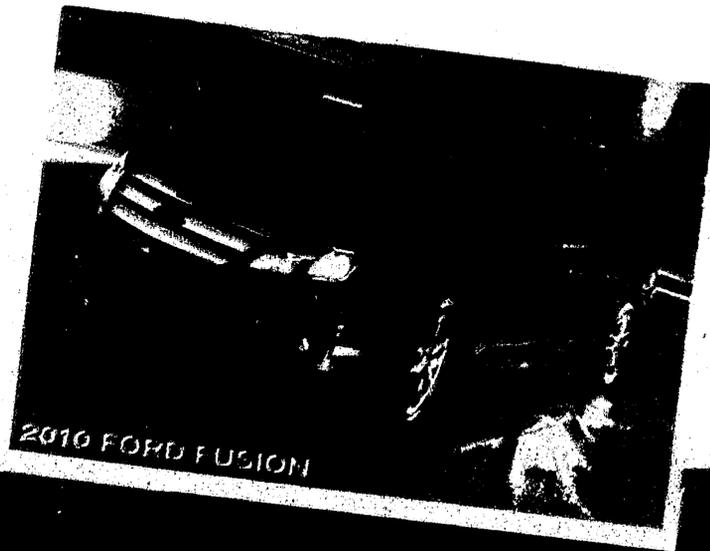


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