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Village examines cost-cutting

Manager Lee asks employees for ideas

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In a give-and-take session with village employees, one of three conducted Monday and Tuesday, Village Manager Debi Lee walked through the annual budget, explained cost-cutting measures and asked for new ideas.

She tried to quash rumors about layoffs, saying plans for balancing the budget in the general fund at the directive of the Village Council don't call for any jobs to be eliminated except by attrition.

However, the future of longevity pay, while budgeted this year, is on hold, pending a decision by village councilors.

A preliminary budget with about a \$1 million deficit in the general fund that required pulling money from village reserves to cover, already was approved and



Ruidoso Village Manager Debi Lee, standing at right, briefs village employees on cost-cutting measures and to dispel rumors of employee layoffs.

sent to the state Department of Finance and Administration. But a final budget will look a bit different following the council's new instruc-

tions. Lee said a budget session with the council on proposed cuts will be conducted in two weeks and the final budget is due back to the

Lee: "It's the same situation across the country. The facts are that we have to live with less."

state in July.

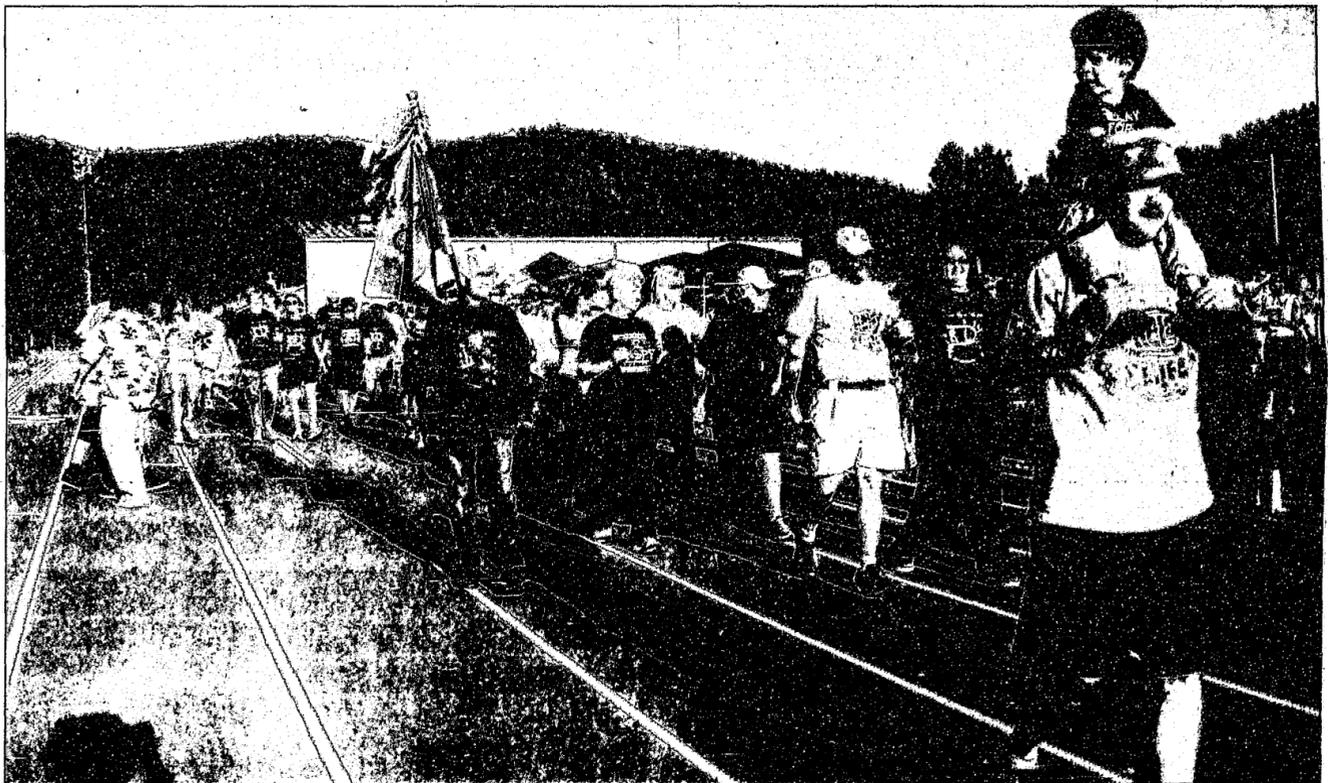
Employees and department heads must begin thinking of the village more as they would if they were employed in the private sector, Lee said. Her power point presentation was titled, "Budgeting in Challenging Economic Times," and focused on adjusting to the "new normal."

"Ask questions as we go," she said. "This is not a lecture." She added later that if someone objects to a proposal, don't complain and criticize, come up with a solution and present it to the department head or to her.

"It's the same situation across

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A WALK OF SURVIVAL



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Thirty-five community teams with hundreds of participants showed up Friday and Saturday to cheer-on cancer survivors and their caregivers at the 12th Annual Relay for Life at the Ruidoso High School Track. Wearing purple shirts, survivors led the way and completed the first lap around the track with caregivers in salmon shirts, committee members in green shirts and team captains in blue shirts, while others lined the track applauding. From there, team members took over in relays overnight with an ending estimate that more than \$40,000 was raised from the effort of about 500 volunteers and community sponsors. The organizers have until August to continue to raise money to find a cure for cancer.

Grindstone Dam workshop briefs council on progress

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After listening to an explanation from consultants of how possible anomalies at Grindstone Dam were detected and about the plans for remediation, Ruidoso village councilors seemed more at ease with the process.

During a workshop on the dam last week, Councilor Don Williams, an engineer, and Councilor Jim Stoddard, who has been the most skeptical about the corrective work, fired questions at Doug Danaher with Wilson & Co. and John Lommler, Ph.D.

with AMEC.

The consultants told councilors that work already is underway on the dam with installation of a safety railing. Samples from drilling could be finished by June 11, but no later than June 18, according to a schedule presented by Danaher. Laboratory testing is set to be completed by July 2 and by July 16, engineering analysis of data and the development of repair recommendations should be ready. A report could be in the councilors' hands by July 23, subject to adjustments after comments from staff with the New Mexico Office of the

State Engineer.

Before launching into their presentation, the two men reviewed the histories of their companies. They said Wilson & Co. was founded in 1932, employs more than 450 people in 19 office locations in nine states. The specialties in the two New Mexico offices include hydrology and hydraulics, dam and levee design and storm water infrastructure analysis. The staff includes engineers, architects, surveyors and mappers.

AMEC employs 2,000 people with 90 offices worldwide, 122 in its Albuquerque operation

that includes a laboratory. The firm's expertise in dam seepage is important for what is planned on this project, they said.

"Forty years ago someone like myself could say this will be O.K., but that doesn't cut it anymore," Lommler said. "You have to provide complete documentation and prepare an investigation report, and review it with the OSE."

He said the project is ahead of schedule. A safety railing was installed in one day in preparation for moving a drilling rig to the top of the dam where two test cores will be drilled down 100 feet to determine com-

paction and material composition in several potential "soft spots" detected with equipment that measures the velocity of sound as it traveled through cement, water and air. The slower it travels, the more loosely compacted the material, they said. A lower velocity could mean the material is weak or there are cracks that require the sound waves to travel a longer distance.

"Did you do the original dam design?" Stoddard asked.

Danaher said Wilson was not involved in the

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ENMU-Ruidoso 2nd Annual President's Golf Tournament Saturday, June 12
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Although they usually don't mix, members of an elk herd graze alongside mule deer one sunny afternoon in the Sacramento Mountains.

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 Alto Lakes Golf and Country Club.

Republican women

The next meeting of the Federated Republican Women of Lincoln County is set for 11:30 a.m., June 28, at Cree Meadows Country Club.

Instead of a speaker this month, members will have an open group discussion of current and future activities for the General Election. Lunch will be quiche, green salad, fruit and cookies for \$11.50. Please RSVP to Karen Clontz 336-1360.

Sonic booms

Sonic booms this week could occur Wednesday from 8:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. and 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.; Thursday, from 7:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. to 3 p.m.; and Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Schedules are subject to change and scheduled times do not always mean sonic booms will occur.

For additional information, visit www.holloman.af.mil.

Parade deadline

The deadline for submitting parade entries for the 31st Annual Mesquero Celebration Parade on Saturday, July 3, is quickly approaching.

Entries should be received before 4:30 p.m. on June 25. Any entries received after the deadline

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Flag Day

The public is invited to join a number of civic groups in honoring the Red, White and Blue from 5:30 p.m. until dusk, June 14, at the Ellis Country Store Inn in the historic settlement of Lincoln.

"The flag of the United States of America is an honored symbol of our nation's unity, its hopes, its achievements, its glory and its high resolve," said writer and historian Jack Shuster.

"When that American flag of yours becomes ripped, don't act like Betsy Ross and take to needle and thread. And when that flag becomes soiled, don't throw it in the wash or take it to the cleaners. When the flag is in such condition, through wear or damage, that it is no longer a fitting emblem for display, it should be destroyed in a dignified manner befitting respect for the flag," he asked. New replacement flags will be available for purchase. Hot dogs with all the trimmings will be served

for no charge along with tea and lemonade. Expect some music too. The historic Ellis Store Country Inn is on U.S. 380 at Mile Marker 88, in Lincoln. Call Dolores Stevens at 653-4379, or e-mail at hondocho@pvtn.net to help with a food head count.

Alto Lakes
The Alto Lakes Special Zoning District Commission will meet at 9 a.m., June 17, in the Stag Room

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AccuWeather 7-day forecast for Ruidoso AccuWeather.com

TODAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
RealFeel 91° Humidity 22%	RealFeel 95° Humidity 13%	RealFeel 84° Humidity 15%	RealFeel 78° Humidity 20%	RealFeel 77° Humidity 27%	RealFeel 71° Humidity 46%	RealFeel 82° Humidity 44%
86° 61° Mostly sunny Wind: ESE 7-14 mph	85° 61° Partly sunny Wind: WSW 8-16 mph	86° 57° Partly sunny and windy Wind: SSW 15-25 mph	80° 53° Mostly sunny and windy Wind: SSW 25-35 mph	78° 55° Lots of sun, breezy and nice Wind: SSW 12-25 mph	71° 51° Some sun with a thunderstorm Wind: NE 15-25 mph	73° 57° Times of clouds and sun Wind: ESE 4-8 mph

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Regional Cities

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Almanac

Ruidoso
Statistics through Monday
Temperature:
High/Low: 84°/59°
Normal high: 80°
Normal low: 42°
Record high: 92° (1980)
Record low: 25° (1981)
Precipitation:
Monday: 0.00"
Month to date: 0.23"
Normal month to date: 0.39"
Year to date: 4.94"
Normal year to date: 6.65"

Alamogordo
Statistics through Monday
Temperature:
High/Low: 95°/72°
Normal high: 92°
Normal low: 61°
Record high: 103° (1981)
Record low: 45° (1963)
Precipitation:
Monday: 0.03"
Month to date: 0.45"
Normal month to date: 0.14"
Year to date: 2.60"
Normal year to date: 2.83"

Weather Trivia:
Q: How often does lightning strike the earth: 1, 10 or 100 times each second?

National Forecast for June 9, 2010

Shown are noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are highs for the day. Forecast high/low temperatures are for selected cities.

City	Today		Thu.	
	Hi/Lo	W	Hi/Lo	W
Abilene	92/72	pc	99/76	s
Anchorage	60/46	c	62/46	c
Atlanta	90/71	pc	93/72	t
Austin	90/76	t	95/79	t
Baltimore	74/59	r	81/57	pc
Boston	70/52	pc	61/52	r
Chicago	78/60	pc	79/64	s
Dallas	88/75	t	95/79	t
Denver	90/62	pc	96/59	pc
Des Moines	83/63	pc	83/70	t
Detroit	73/60	r	82/62	pc
El Paso	101/73	s	103/74	pc
Las Vegas	101/75	s	97/72	pc
Los Angeles	77/62	pc	74/60	pc
Minneapolis	80/59	pc	77/64	t
New Orleans	92/77	pc	93/78	pc
New York City	68/58	r	74/59	pc
Philadelphia	66/57	r	80/59	pc
Phoenix	105/78	s	103/74	s
Reno	74/48	pc	69/44	pc
San Francisco	65/52	pc	70/51	pc
San Diego	68/63	pc	66/62	pc
Seattle	62/51	r	61/50	sh
Tucson	102/72	s	101/71	s
Tulsa, OK	88/72	t	91/73	pc
Wash., DC	75/67	r	82/66	pc
Wichita	86/71	t	92/71	pc
Yuma	104/73	s	100/72	s

City	Today		Thu.	
	Hi/Lo	W	Hi/Lo	W
Albuquerque	96/65	pc	94/62	s
Artesia	99/69	s	104/68	s
Chama	83/41	t	83/41	s
Clayton	94/64	pc	99/60	s
Cloudcroft	84/50	s	83/37	pc
Farmingington	96/56	pc	92/52	s
Hobbs	99/67	pc	102/65	s
Los Alamos	86/53	t	86/46	s
Portales	96/66	s	101/64	s
Raton	94/52	pc	97/50	s
Red River	79/41	t	78/37	s
Ruidoso	86/61	s	89/61	pc
Santa Fe	94/55	pc	93/50	s
Silver City	97/63	s	93/61	s
Taos	90/46	t	88/41	s

City	Today		Thu.	
	Hi/Lo	W	Hi/Lo	W
Acapulco	91/77	s	91/77	pc
Cancun	91/77	pc	90/75	sh
Chihuahua	100/70	s	99/73	pc
Ciudad Juárez	102/73	s	102/73	pc
León	93/61	t	92/60	c
México, DF	84/55	t	86/54	t
Monterrey	99/73	t	100/73	pc
Morelia	92/63	pc	93/62	t
Oaxaca	93/63	t	95/61	t
Pla. Penasco	95/72	s	95/66	s
Tijuana	72/61	pc	72/59	pc

Sun and Moon
Wednesday: Sunrise/Sunset 5:54 a.m./8:10 p.m.
Wednesday: Moonrise/Moonset 3:24 a.m./5:42 p.m.

Moon Phases
New First Full Last
Jun 12 Jun 18 Jun 26 Jul 4

Extremes
Monday's National High/Low: (For the 48 contiguous states)
High: 118° in Death Valley, CA
Low: 29° in Land O Lakes, WI
Monday's World High/Low:
High: 118° in Death Valley, USA
Low: 6° in Summit Station, Greenland



POLLY CHAVEZ/FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Among southeastern New Mexico organizations receiving grants Saturday at the annual Hubbard Foundation awards ceremony and dinner were the Spencer Theater, top, and White Mountain Search & Rescue. Accepting certificates from Joan Dale Hubbard were Charles Centilli and Tom Battin on behalf of the Spencer, and Joyce Westerbur and Tony Davis for White Mountain.



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imo at 575-464-3807.

will be placed at the end of the parade.

The 10 a.m. parade will have the theme "Apache Warriors, Past and Present."

For information contact Velma Lee Kanseah at 575-464-0648, or Jonelle Geron-

Gulf cleanup

Officials with New Mexico's Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, in cooperation with the Louisiana Governor's Office of Homeland Security

and Emergency Preparedness, advise people who want to help with the clean-up of the Gulf of Mexico to call the toll-free Volunteer Line at 866-448-5816 or go to www.volunteerlouisiana.gov, or call 800-755-5175.

Other volunteer websites are:

- www.volunteermisssissippi.org
- www.volunteerfloridadisaster.org
- www.servealabama.gov

"Unlike a Hurricane or other natural disasters, there are certain risks when you come in contact with petroleum," said Cabinet Secretary John W. Wheeler. "But we know people want to help, so we thought we should share this information after checking with our colleagues in Baton Rouge and the other gulf states."

Another source for information on volunteering is the official Unified Command website at www.deepwaterhorizonresponse.com.

Dawn dishwashing detergent's face book page also has information related to the disaster's affects on wildlife.

Reading program

The Summer Reading Program at the Ruidoso Public Library explores science with all three age groups in the Children's Library.

Brandon Hutchison, local science presenter, experiments with water. Six-to-9-year-olds become scientists on Tuesday, June 15 at 1:30. Preschoolers watch experiments involving water on Wednesday, June 16 at 1:30 p.m. The 10-12-year-olds conduct experiments on Thursday, June 17, at 1:30 p.m.

Teens hunt for treasure between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Friday, June 18. Grades 6-12 spend the afternoon following crazy, fun instructions to get to the treasure. Get a copy of a compass and the first clue to do funky steps, hops and runs throughout the library.

Adults may get in out of the heat of the day at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, June 16, to watch an IMAX-produced movie: *Grand Canyon Adventure: River at Risk 2008*. Revealing the most pressing environmental story of our time - the world's growing shortage of fresh water - the movie joins environmental advocates Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. and Wade Davis as they set out with their daughters, traveling deep into the Grand Canyon and down the river that runs through it. This thrilling ride downriver through raging rapids

and breathtaking canyons abounds with stunning photography and sweeping aerial shots capturing all the majesty of the Colorado and the Grand Canyon. Free to the public. Seating is limited.

The Village of Ruidoso Public Library located at 107 Kansas City Rd. Library hours are: Monday

through Thursday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Friday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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The photograph on page 4A of Friday's paper was taken by Christine Picavet. The News apologizes for the omission.

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OUR OPINION

A new fiscal reality hits Village Hall

Whether we're still in a recession or we're experiencing a "jobless recovery" – that's for politicians and economists to decipher and debate.

Down on the municipal level, however, the 2008 recession's lingering effects are the "new normal" in governance, says Ruidoso Village Manager Debi Lee.

It's not as easy as ordering fewer paper clips. Lee has rolled up her sleeves and tackled the village's fiscal situation as perhaps no manager has done in recent years. She's talked about identifying the true cost of basic services to citizens, freezing vacant positions, seeking more grants

and outside funding, sharing resources among departments, cutting capital purchases, establishing a capital equipment replacement fund and getting the general fund back into balance, among numerous other objectives.

Not to mention, there are past audits yet to be cleaned up.

It is alarming that, due to interest payments, the payout costs of so many purchases and projects over the years, detailed in Friday's *Ruidoso News*, have added millions to expenditures.

Lee says the village must learn to live within its means. That might be painful. It's also the truth.

Commuter rail important transportation component

On a road trip to Lubbock last year, I was surprised to find, on crossing the state line into New Mexico, that our road was better than theirs. I'd always envied Texas its roads, and now NM 380 east of Tatum did us proud.

More recently, I saw work on NM 128 from Jal to the Texas line and on NM 206 between Lovington and Portales, courtesy of the state's GRIP program as well as the federal stimulus. There isn't much traffic on those roads, and the cost to improve them is staggering, but the roads are important to the communities they serve.

This is why, if certain candidates want to get real about the state's transportation picture, they'll find the state's transportation challenges vary widely from urban to rural to remote. It's easy to GRIPe about the New Mexico Rail Runner and its \$400 million construction cost until you look at the whole picture: \$1.6 billion for projects all over the state. (The sticker price for Utah's new rail system also happens to be \$1.6 billion.)

The Tatum project cost \$6 million for a short stretch that carries a trickle of traffic; NM 128 will cost \$52.2 million.

Not one of the Rail Runner's thousands of daily passengers has complained that these roads aren't needed, but back in January, Rep. Keith Gardner, a Roswell Republican, intoned that "today should be the last run" of the Rail Runner.

Fellow Republican Rep. Anna Crook, of Clovis, agreed, saying, "Roads are much more important in the rural areas."

So Crook is willing to spend \$7.3 million on 9 miles of NM 209 to Grady, population 98, in her area.

Of course, it's the duty of Gardner and Crook to cut the bacon as long as it's somebody else's bacon. A governor has to care as much about Albuquerque and Santa Fe as she does about Tatum, Grady and Jal. And she has to make decisions not just for the present but for the future.

During the recent primary

campaign, the Republican candidates for governor all made noises about the Rail Runner and the Spaceport without knowing anything about either. Now Susana Martinez needs to get up to speed.

If she intends to rail against the Rail Runner, she will find that 54 percent of its operation costs are borne by taxpayers in four counties who voted to support it (the rest comes from fares and federal air quality funds) and that towns up and down the line hope to see a Rail Runner some day. Socorro residents said as much during meetings with Lt. Gov. and now candidate Diane Denish, who is herself a commuter rail customer. U.S. Rep. Harry Teague heard the same from people in Las Cruces.

If Martinez objects to government subsidies for commuter rail, she should also object to subsidized air travel. I'm sure Rep. Gardner wouldn't mind buying pricier airline tickets so the carriers, which now pay just half the cost of airports, can cover the real cost.

And then there are roads. Pre-GRIP, when New Mexico was trying to figure out how to pay for better roads in the rural areas, there was a poll to gauge public opinion on toll roads. The result was unequivocal: Not here!

Before the choo-choo became a political football, transportation experts in 2005 estimated the cost of another lane on I-25 between Albuquerque and Santa Fe at \$325 million – just for the highway, not the connectors.

Chris Blewett, director of the Rio Metro Transit District, recently told a business audience that the Santa Fe-Albuquerque metro population will exceed 1.7 million by 2035.

"Our region's getting to the point where it's going to be more and more challenging for people to get around," he said. "The travel times are expected to double and triple, even with significant investment in roads and public transportation. Right now the writing's on the wall."



YOUR OPINION

Triathlon makes Ruidoso a destination

To the editor:

ON SATURDAY, May 29, 160 athletes and 50 volunteers took part in the fourth annual Ruidoso Sprint Triathlon, benefiting the Ruidoso Trails fund, a local effort sponsoring an eventual network of mountain bike trails in the area.

The event was held on a gorgeous day, starting and finishing at Wingfield Park. Many of these athletes and their families were visiting Ruidoso for the first time.

We would like to give credit and thanks to all the local organizations, sponsors, volunteers and athletes who supported this event.

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teur Radio Club, Emergency Services of Lincoln County Medical Center, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Boy & Cub Scouts troop #59.

Individuals: Senator Rod Adair, Marc Stewart race logistics coordinator, Bart Young & Mary Young transition coordinators.

Last but not least, we would like to thank all the athletes. We hope that you will be our ambassadors to promote the Ruidoso Sprint Triathlon and Ruidoso as a new destination in New Mexico for outdoor sports. If we have missed anyone who helped, please accept our apology now and know that without your help, this wonderful event would not have been possible.

Frederic Moras
Race Director
Ruidoso Sprint Triathlon

Leadership Lincoln enjoys successful year

To the editor:

LEADERSHIP LINCOLN has completed another successful year and graduated its 2010 class on May 20, 2010, at a dinner in honor of the graduates at inn of the Mountain Gods.

The Leadership Lincoln Board of Directors would like to express appreciation to all who have helped make this year possible.

A Youth Leadership Program was initiated for Ruidoso Middle School 8th graders. There were many who helped make this pro-

gram possible. Special thanks go out to the Ruidoso Municipal Schools administration, Walmart, the Smokey Bear Ranger District, Greg Cory, Lisa and Tim Harkins, Linda Flack, the 8th grade teachers, and all Leadership Lincoln alumni who helped facilitate the project.

Special thanks to ENMU for providing a meeting place throughout the year, and to Josie's Framery for hosting the reception, Friday, May 14, honoring 2009-2010 graduates.

Applications for the 2010-2011 Leadership Lincoln class are available from Clara Farah. She may be reached by e-mail, clara-farah@aaahawk.com, or by phone at 575-973-7835.

The deadline for applications is June 15, 2010. We would encourage you to apply as we are looking forward to another great year!

Phillis Barnett
Chairperson
Leadership Lincoln Board of Directors / The Title Company

Heroes come to the aid of Capitan library

To the editor:

CAPITAN PUBLIC Library is an all-volunteer library and primarily self supporting, so when there is an emergency it is worrisome wondering if we will be able to pay the bill.

Yesterday one of the toilets failed to shut off and flooded part of the library in a short time. Now, everyone knows that water

and books do not mix. I called a water extractor by the name of Cody Charlson (CLC Extreme Clean Carpet Cleaning). He was at the library in approximately 30 minutes and had the water cleaned up quickly. He only charged us a small percentage of his usual rate.

Today, the plumber, Steve Jones of Capitan, came to repair

the toilet. He charged us nothing. These two men are heroes in my "book."

CPL is blessed with many dedicated volunteers that spend hours of their time assuring that the library is successful. To those, I give my thanks.

Pat Garrett
Director
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COSTS

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the country," Lee said. "The facts are that we have to live with less." That doesn't just apply to employees, she said. Residents also must adjust to an approach where essential services come first and other services may not be provided or may be provided at a lower level.

Private companies keep the bottom line in view at all times, but government is bureaucratic, Lee said. She hopes that in her time with the village she is able to change the way employees think about budgeting and spending, to be more in line with private enterprise, she said.

"The village has been accustomed to meeting the needs of the community and it has borrowed a lot of money," she said. Some obligations, such as the new regional wastewater treatment plant that carries a massive debt, were mandated and the village had no choice, but others were discretionary.

"We're maxed out," she said. "We can't borrow any more unless we go to the citizens. I don't think it's a good idea (to add more tax). It would be tough on the businesses."

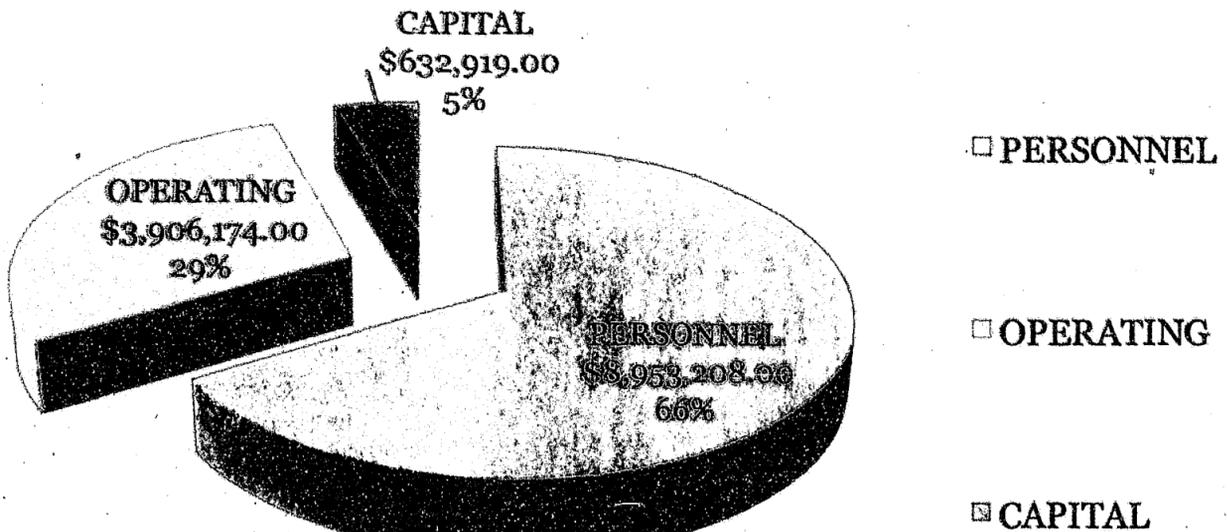
When revenues jumped because of good economic times and lots of tourists, the spending could be covered, but as revenue declined, the village was forced to dip into reserves each year when expenses stayed steady, Lee said, illustrating her points with charts. She urged employees not to think of the situation as a crisis, but as an opportunity to show flexibility and innovation.

Some of the specific cuts proposed are:

- a reduction in cell phone allowances and elimination of any compensation for numbers not using the "575" area code, because they cost more
- eliminate cable service, except possibly for the fire stations where firefighters live when on long duty hours
- reduce operating costs
- reduce or eliminate stand-by pay
- reduce or eliminate work on holiday pay, which may mean no more garbage collection on holidays
- putting longevity and service pay on hold
- move personnel to fill vacancies in basic services.

At mid-year, she can re-evaluate "where we are."

GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES



That may also coincide with the completion of two audits, which finally will give village officials some hard numbers on which they can rely, she said.

"When I arrived (in May 2009), we were 2 1/2 years behind on bank reconciliation and on audits," she said. "The auditors will be here (next week) for the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 audit and we requested to the state that he do two years at one time. So if there are no problems, we could be caught up by December. Two audits in one year. I think that's historical. I've never been behind in audits before."

When audits and reconciliation are up to date, village officials will know for sure how healthy the reserve is and directors of village enterprise operations and departments should be able to show her the money in the bank before a project is approved, Lee said.

"Once the audits are over, we will have the real numbers and we can give you monthly reports," she said. "It appears we have a healthy fund reserve, but after the audits, we'll know for sure."

As part of cutting costs in operations, staff will evaluate basic services versus expanded services. They will find out what's really important by quizzing employees and citizens. "That's not to say the others aren't important, but if they were cut, can live without them? Yes,"

she said. "Do we intend to? No, but we have to fund essentials first."

Fees and personnel will be evaluated, efficiencies and chances to combine responsibilities will be sought, and duplication of services will be eliminated, Lee pledged.

The idea of possibly losing longevity pay seemed to spark the most opposition from employees, who said they count on that annual check for Christmas. Lee said most communities don't pay longevity until an employee hits the five year mark and she was surprised after a year to receive a small check.

"Government is not like a private company and can't pay bonuses," she acknowledged. "So I realize longevity is a way to reward employees at Christmas. But it is on hold. We have to get in line with our means."

Being an advocate of performance-base pay raises, Lee said that type of incentive rewards those who work the hardest and encourages excellence.

The manager said she recommended phasing in the changes suggested over three years to end the practice of dipping into reserves, but councilors directed her to balance the general fund for 2010-2011.

"Pointing fingers doesn't do anything," she said of some of the problems she inherited when hired. "We need facts and Nancy (Klingman, finance director) and I are finding

those."

Lee said she wants to hear from and is talking to employees who "are on the street," as well as department directors, because she's learned after 26 years of managing people the rank and file often have the best grasp of flaws in an operation.

Besides cuts in operating expenses, she asked employees to think of ways to generate more money. An example is an upcoming Internet auction of surplus equipment that she hopes will generate enough money to jump start a capital projects fund.

But it will be tough, because competition for every dollar is more intense. Fire Chief Tom Gavin wrote five grant applications and none have been funded, she said, because, "Everybody is looking."

Parks and Recreation staff are doing a great job bringing in revenue from a Wilderness Camp and several sports tournaments, but the municipal pool requires a 48 percent subsidy, Lee said. The airport is another success story going in one year from being subsidized to being self-supporting and better.

"I'm doing everything I can not to RIF (employee reduction)," Lee said. "This budget does not. We will evaluate every vacancy and reduce through attrition." Employees will be shared between departments when possible, as occurred with a receptionist.

"You guys in the departments need to step up and speak out," Lee said. "In some cases, employees can't be shared or cross over."

A police officer pointed out that historically if a position is not filled when someone leaves, it never is reinstated.

Lee said police and fire fighting are basic services and should be maintained over more optional services, such as a senior center. No police officer should be on duty overnight by himself, she said. However, the police department grew significantly in the last few years compared to other departments. While demand and calls were up, "We have to do more with less," she said.

"You know your needs better than me," she said, adding that staffing or reinstatement of a position should be reevaluated every year, "because things change."

"I'm a huge proponent of strategic planning," she said, asking for input on listing priorities. "Councilors are ready to do that and then we can blend the two and that's what we fund first."

One employee asked how Lincoln County commissioners could afford a 6 percent raise for county employees. Klingman said apparently, the county budgeted conservatively for years and built a "huge" reserve. Two of the commissioners who voted for that increase lost their bid

for re-election this month to opponents espousing more conservative spending.

"Personally, I couldn't give a cost of living raise when everything is so tight," Lee said. She would offer other incentives and try to keep jobs, she said.

While village enterprise funds such as the water department are self-supporting and generate enough money to operate through fees, including paying elevated holiday and overtime rates, the general fund cannot. Lee said it would not be fair to allow the benefits for some and not all employees.

Personnel accounts for 66 percent of general fund expenses without benefits, Lee said. Over a period of time, she'd like to lower that figure with benefits to between 60 percent and 65 percent, which is more in line with the preferred balance.

"Think strategically," she urged. "Don't get mad or frustrated about it. This is my fourth community. You guys are different. The others were similar. A lot of that difference is because you are tourist driven and have many second homes. Even the culture and terrain is different. We want to hear from people with other points of view."

To adapt, the village may need to change direction, Lee said, adding, "Trying harder in the same direction may not be as successful."

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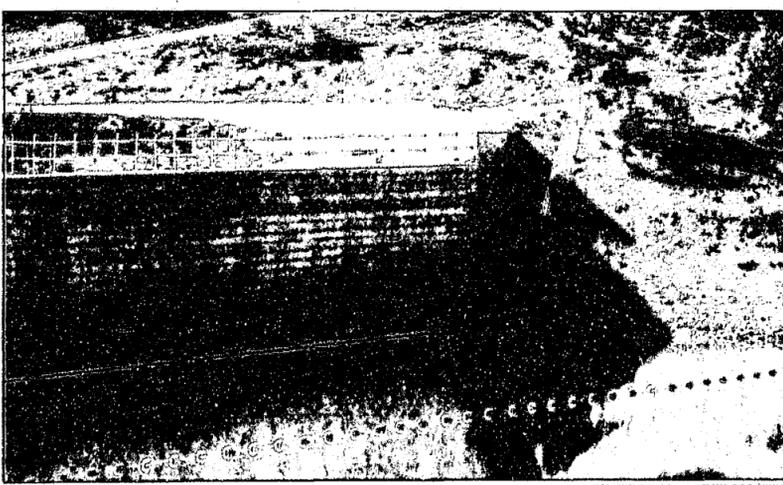
DAM

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design or construction. The firm that handled the roller compacted concrete dam, one of the first of its type in New Mexico in 1984, recently was acquired by another company. He explained that the OSE passed new regulations in March 2005 and entities were required to develop emergency action plans for high hazard dams by the end of 2008. Like many other dam owners, the village asked for an extension. The state was overloaded with reviews anyway, he said.

Grindstone is classified as high hazard, because of the potential loss of life in the residential areas lying below it and because of its height, Danaher said.

"I don't think that was explained before," Stoddard said. "It's the height, the amount of water and hous-



A safety railing was installed atop Grindstone Dam before drilling could occur.

es in front that make it a high hazard."

The dam is inspected annually by a local engineer and once every five years by the state, but the engineer was looking for settlement and movement, not seepage. He was concerned with operational issues, Danaher said.

Wilson was tasked with developing maintenance

manuals as well as the required EAPs for Grindstone and Alto Lake Reservoir. Village officials also asked the firm to review seepage and develop an alternative to allow operation of the dam at full capacity, he said. To determine the amount of leakage at various level of containment and arrive at a maximum effective water

level, divers went down to seal up joints, Danaher said.

"We weren't looking for what we found," he said. "We anticipated just sealing up joints. It depends on what we find in the drilling sample whether this is a bigger issue or not."

Bottom line, the increased state requirements led to the discovery and the

need for drilling, he said.

Work already completed includes a topographic and bathymetric survey, hydrological analysis, a dam breach analysis and flood routing, and inundation mapping, geophysical seismic testing and a stability analysis of the dam's weak areas under conditions such as floods and earthquakes to determine the next step.

Lommler said he met with many of the people involved with the dam since it was built to gather their observations.

"It bothered me that the galley (an internal walkway) received a lot of leakage after the reservoir was filled," he said.

Carlos Salas, village water/wastewater department director, pointed out cracks and places where water shoots out when the reservoir level is high. When the color is milky, it could mean silt was coming out of the dam, Lommler said.

"The next step is to do a

biopsy," he said. A diamond bit will be used in a 3 inch diameter core barrel for each of two drilling cores, one on the north and one on the south side of the dam.

"We're working under the observance of the OSE," Lommler said. State officials agreed on a safe water level for the operation of the dam while the team nails down the problem and solution.

"To core any dam, you need permission from the Dam Safety Bureau of the OSE," he said. "We went up with a plan. We did stability analysis." The team provided contingency plans and proved the operation would be safe, he said.

If testing and analysis confirm the dam is stable as is, the water level could be maintained at 16 feet. Gravelly zones and/or cracks could be grouted and sealed, and an upstream liner could be installed to reduce or eliminate seepage, Lommler said.

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EDUCATION

PRODUCE SCHOOL



Children in the ENMU-Ruidoso on-campus day care learn the nutritional advantages of fruits and vegetables from Lawrence Brothers produce manager Chuck Gurvitz.

JIM KALVELAGE/RUIDOSO NEWS

ENMU-Ruidoso June Community Ed

Mosaics class

Learn to create beautiful mosaics using a simple procedure and inexpensive materials. Broken tile, glass beads, shells and other materials will be assembled into a unique work of art. The class is scheduled for June 15-17, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The fee for the class is \$55, or \$40 for seniors.

Additional supplies costing approximately \$30 will be needed.

DigiCam class

Robert Walshe will teach a class on how to take better pictures using your digital camera.

Topics include automatic settings, flash control settings, zooming tips, battery use, basic photo-editing, picture resolution, moving pictures from the camera to the computer, and picture storage options.

Students should bring their cameras, USB cables and camera manuals for this hands-on experience. The class is on Saturday, June 19, from 1-4 p.m. The fee is \$45, or \$35 for seniors.

GIS class

ArcGIS is a map building and maintenance software package used extensively in the public and private sectors for surveying.

ENMU-Ruidoso Community Education is offering a beginning class in GIS that will cover map design, working with geodatabases, geo-coding and spatial analysis.

The class is scheduled for June 16 and 23, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., in room 111. The fee for the class is \$80, or \$70 for seniors.

New Mexico Movie

This month's New Mexico movie is *Bite the Bullet* starring Gene Hackman, Candice Bergen and James Coburn. Filmed partially in Chama, Taos and White Sands, the Western is about a 700-mile endurance horse race that takes place at the turn of the century.

The movie will be shown at ENMU-Ruidoso in room 111 beginning at 7 p.m. on June 16. There is no charge for the movie, but registration is requested by phoning 257-3012.

LC history series

Herb Marsh Jr., the Lincoln County Historical Society's president, is scheduled to give three talks this summer.

"The Coes" are the topic of the first talk on June 16, from 6-7:30 p.m., in room 103 at the college. The fee for the class is \$10, or \$5 for seniors.

The entire series is \$20, or \$10 for seniors. On July 14, Marsh will talk about the Robert Casey family. On Aug. 18, the topic will be Lincoln County Works Progress Administration writings.

A Day at the races

Join Tim Keithley as he teaches how to read a horse racing program and what the different bets mean.

This class, at the

Ruidoso Downs Race Track, will include a tour of the track, a discounted lunch, and complimentary admission to the Turf Club. The class will be held on Saturday, June 19, from 9-10:30 a.m. The fee is \$25, or \$15 for seniors.

Crystal workshop

Quartz crystals are used to heal and provoke positive change in the mind and body. On June 12, from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Diana Person will teach a class on the natural properties of crystals and how they are used in practical applications and research.

Different types of crystals, and what constitutes the best crystal, will be covered.

Person has been studying crystals for more than 30 years and has an extensive collection that she will bring to class for use by the students. Students may also bring their own crystals and pendulum. The fee for the class is \$85, or \$75 for seniors.

A Personal Brand

In this increasingly competitive economy, an edge is needed to set a potential employee apart from the rest. Join Rachel Weber as she explains how to create a personal brand, an effective resume, how to network, and use social media to get noticed.

The class is on Tuesday, June 15, from 9 a.m. to noon. The fee for the class is \$15.

For additional information on any of the classes, or to register, call the ENMU-Ruidoso Community Education department at 257-3012.

Ed Tech Notes fund Capitan Schools technology renewal

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The Capitan Municipal Schools are on the road to new technology upgrades and improvements as a result of the Board of Education approval of Ed Tech Notes.

Enacted in 1997 by a general election vote, the Educational Technology Equipment Act allows school districts to create debt without submitting the question to voters and enter into a lease-purchase agreement to acquire educational technology equipment.

The debt is subject to a Constitutional limitation saying that no school district shall become indebted in an amount exceeding 6 percent of the assessed valuation of the taxable property within the school district.

"These notes will fund a complete renewal of the technology infrastructure throughout the campus," said Capitan Schools Superintendent Shirley Crawford. "The current infrastructure is more than 15 years old and does not meet current code requirements or accommodate the needed technology programs being sought after by teachers and students in the classrooms."

Crawford said that one the infrastructure is in place, hardware and software in the classroom will be updated.

A large part of the technology package will include ongoing professional development for all staff mem-

bers as they work at becoming as techno-capable as the students.

"The goal is to keep students engaged with learning - moving beyond the classroom 'sit and get information' and become go, learn, apply and share the information," said Crawford.

Initial professional development activities have generated excitement about the use of technology applications to improve reading fluency and comprehension for all grade levels. However, reading is not the only targeted area.

"With these improvements, students will be able to become part of the virtual field trip world that opens up an entire new arena for learning and engaging with information," Crawford explained. "No longer will students have to leave campus to experience worlds outside our area.

"We can bring museums, speakers, and scientific exploration to the classrooms on campus."

The legislation grants school boards the authority to sell bonds, not to exceed the bonding capacity of the school.

The bonds have a five-year maximum allowable maturity schedule.

Currently, 27 New Mexico school districts take advantage of this funding to support technology

acquisition and support in those districts. This is the first time the Capitan Schools have approved this type of funding.

The current school tax rate in the Capitan District is \$0.616 per thousand. The passage of the Ed Tech Notes will raise the rate to \$1.10 per thousand which is still one of the lowest rates in the state.

A homeowner with a house with full property value of \$150,000 will see an increase in property taxes of about \$19 per year. Prior to the Board's passage of these notes, the Board of Education sponsored community meetings and held discussions at several Board meetings.

The upgrade of the system will result in more efficient electrical use and will allow the district to focus on technology needs without having to use general operational monies to provide the needed upgrades.

The district also desires to use these upgrades to expand all distance learning capabilities so that students have the opportunity for classes not always available in small, rural districts.

Capitan Board of Education President Ed Vinson says he is very pleased with the positive input received at the community meetings from parents and staff.



SHIRLEY CRAWFORD

KOEHLER WINS SCHOLARSHIP



COURTESY

A \$1,000 scholarship was awarded June 1 by the Cree Meadows Ladies Association to Elynn Koehler who plans to continue her education at New Mexico State University in Las Cruces. At Ruidoso High School, Koehler was involved with a number of groups, from the Honor Society, the Drama Club, to writing grants for SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions). She was on the high school golf team and took awards there. In her spare time, Koehler volunteers at the Mescalero Care Center. Her mother Sherrie Koehler is a teacher in the Ruidoso Municipal School District. Her father is Robert Koehler. The scholarship was awarded during the Cree Meadows Ladies Association's Scholarship Committee's June luncheon at the Cree Meadows Country Club. Pictured (left to right) are Mary Lou Whiteley, Ruth Speegle, Gloria Miller, Sherri Koehler, Elynn Koehler, Betty Blair and Helen Woodfin.

EDUCATION BRIEFS

Food for RMSD kids

While the school year is over for nearly all students in the Ruidoso Municipal School District, no cost breakfasts and lunches are still available to those 18 years of age and younger during the summer.

The Seamless Summer Food Service Program is available to any child regardless of whether they attend the schools where the program is located.

The cafeteria of the Sierra Vista Primary

School will serve breakfast from 8:30 - 9 a.m. Lunch is available from 11:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. Lunch is also served at All American Park in Ruidoso Downs at the same time.

The meals are available Monday through Friday, from now until July 31.

Adults may purchase the meals.

The adult prices are \$1.50 for breakfast and \$2.50 for lunch.

Carry-outs are not available for students unless they are part of an orga-

nized field trip. For more information call the Ruidoso School Food Service Department at 575-258-3534.

Dean's list

A Ruidoso student was named to the Dean's List at Eastern New Mexico University-Roswell.

Jared Black made the grade.

To be named to the Dean's List, a student must earn a 3.25 or higher grade point average while carry-

ing at least 12 semester hours.

An Alto student has been recognized for her academic excellence by being named to the Dean's Honor List at South Plains College in Levelland, Texas.

Betsy C. Hobbs was one of dozens selected for the honor.

Students named to the Dean's Honor List earned at least a 3.25 grade point average with no failing grades while carrying at least 12 credit hours.



Need for two centers questioned

Downs flood repair on hold

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About 20 percent of the more than \$1 million in annual Ruidoso lodgers tax revenues is spent to fund a pair of visitor centers, in Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs.

"The question has been raised, why do we have two visitors centers?" said Ruidoso Lodgers Tax Committee Chair Cindi Clayton-Davis during a workshop session on Monday. "Do we need two visitors centers to treat our visitors well?"

One of the centers is located at the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce building in Ruidoso and is operated by the chamber. The other, in Ruidoso Downs, is the Billy the Kid Scenic Byways Visitors Center. It is run through Ruidoso's Parks and Recreation Department.

Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Sandi Aguilar said the chamber's visitor center, with three full-time employees, provides an array of services to lure tourists to the area. Visitor guides, relocation guides, lodging availability and other information is provided in person, online, over the phone, and through the mail.

"This is a cost," said Aguilar. "But it fills a need."

Jamie Stroud, who works at the Billy the Kid Scenic Byways Visitors Center, said the U.S. Highway 70 center gets a lot of walk-in traffic and provides information about Lincoln County. She called the center a place to provide information for many who otherwise might continue to drive through.

"Can we agree that both visitor centers serve a purpose?" said Bill Hirschfeld, chair of the Billy the Kid Scenic Byway Committee. "Can we agree that both buildings serve a purpose for the community and the visitor?"

The village this year

AGUILAR



STROUD



provided the chamber with \$122,000 for their center. Another \$55,000, budgeted through the Ruidoso Parks and Recreation Department, is to operate the byway center.

Hirschfeld suggested asking Ruidoso Downs to come back on board with \$5,000 in annual funding for the Billy the Kid Scenic Byways Visitors Center. He also said Lincoln County could also be approached.

Responding to a question about officials of the two centers sitting down together for "streamlining," Hirschfeld contended the Billy the Kid center is already streamlined.

"When the state was looking at funding the centers several years ago, when the state had some money,

they said their budget would be \$120,000 a year. That's for the same as what we're doing for \$55,000."

Hubbard Museum of the American West Director Jay Smith urged the committee to stay clear of talk about cutting funding for either of the facilities.

"I think you are wrong about a duplication of services," said Smith. "The byway center is a unique part of Lincoln County. I'd rather you called it a gateway center, to educate people about what's available in Lincoln County."

The museum is next to the byway's visitor center.

Former Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Joan Zagone said the two centers are different.

"We are the gateway to

the rest of tourism for Lincoln County," Zagone said of the byway center. "The Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce visitors center is the fulfillment center. We have got to start thinking we, Lincoln County. It is not just Ruidoso. We are all in the tourism business."

Clayton-Davis said the lodgers tax panel is looking at ways to increase revenues or decrease spending. She noted with dedicated appropriations from the lodgers tax, more than half of the tax revenues are spent before any tourism advertising.

Committee Vice Chair Tom Wood said the hope is to channel more funding into "pure advertising."

A future lodgers tax committee meeting is expected to deliver recommendations to the village council.

The Billy the Kid Scenic Byways Visitors Center was funded in 1996 through a \$500,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation. The land was donated to the village by the R.D. and Joan Dale Hubbard Foundation, with a stipulation that if ever not used as a visitors center the land would revert back to the foundation.

Hirschfeld said some years ago there was talk of giving the facility to the City of Ruidoso Downs for use as a visitor center and office for what had been the Ruidoso Downs Chamber of Commerce. The New Mexico Tourism Department more recently considered making the facility a state visitors information center, but the effort failed.

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Work to permanently address some Ruidoso Downs damage from the July 2008 Hurricane Dolly flood will have to wait a bit longer.

Several bridges and a section of a street were damaged by the flooding that occurred almost two years ago along the Rio Ruidoso.

Public Works Department Director Cleatus Richards said repair bids on three projects were higher than what the Federal Emergency Management Agency would cover.

"They did substantially exceed the cost allowance by FEMA," said Richards. "They had subsequently agreed to increase the allowance for Highlands Lane to meet the bid. And we're in the process of trying to award that portion of the work."

Back to bids

But repairs for the Friedenbloom Drive and Joe Welsh Drive bridges will go back out for bids after FEMA declined a request to increase their funding, said Richards.

"Or at least give FEMA more evidence that we can't build it with what they allowed. If we have to proceed on those projects, under current conditions, we will have to front the money and appeal the project. How good a chance we have on appeal I don't know. FEMA is one of the most difficult federal agencies I've ever had to try to work with."

Even with the High-

lands Lane funding approved, delivery of the money will take time.

"We are required to front funds if we award Highlands Lane as FEMA funds are not now available," said Richards.

Providing a status report on construction of the regional wastewater treatment plant used by Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs, Richards said the final cost for phase 1A of a new sewage plant was \$6,833,269, after deducting \$48,000 for liquidated damages the result of Tatsch Construction exceeding a completion deadline. The original contracted price for phase 1A was \$6,794,274.

Change orders added up to \$86,995.

"For that size of a project that's a very minimal amount of changes."

The contractor on phase 1B, RMCI, is moving forward toward completion by March 10, 2011. Heavy winds at times this spring have resulted in some minor delays.

In another Ruidoso Downs public works initiative, Richards said preliminary sewer system plans for the Agua Fria Subdivision have been completed by an engineering firm. But there is no money right now. He said grant funding is being pursued.

And vandalism at All American Park has been a problem this spring. The restrooms had been damaged on two occasions. And two outdoor lights had been broken. Richards said the damage costs are about \$1,000 for each event. He said additional police attention to the park has been requested.

County favors lodgers tax session

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Although they took no action to change the schedule of Lincoln County Lodgers Tax Committee meetings, county commissioners said they agree with the concept that groups seeking funding should submit for review at an annual session for better budget planning.

During a commission meeting last month, Acting Chairman Eileen Sedillo said even with a regular schedule of meetings, one or more could be canceled if no items were on the agenda to be handled. County Manager Tom Stewart agreed, saying he strongly favored submission on an annual basis.

Commissioner Dave Parks said he would like to see more coordination between the Ruidoso Lodgers Tax Committee and Lincoln County Lodgers Tax Committee. If an annual submission deadline helps with that, he's all for it.

"Is the intent still to create tourism by helping new events?" asked Commissioner Don Williams, who also serves as a Ruidoso village councilor.

"As long as it brings in tourists, we can continue to

support its promotion," Sedillo said.

Stewart interjected that he has not seen many new events sending in funding requests from the tax paid by people at overnight rentals, motels, cabins, inns and recreational vehicle parks, and eating in restaurants in the unincorporated areas of the county.

"As an event promoter, it's hard to put on these events," said Commissioner Jackie Powell. "Just because it's going on year after year shouldn't mean it is any less of an event. There's a reason there are no new events. It's hard. You need volunteers willing to put their time in. We work on it all year long."

When she reads in the newspaper criticism of repeat events being funded, "I think they should be thankful for the people who do them," Powell said.

In another issue, Sedillo said while the county does an excellent job of patching Bonito Lake Road, it's time the whole road is resurfaced. However, "I don't think it's up to the county," she said. "Who is responsible for the road to the lake?"

Stewart told her the city of Alamogordo owns the lake, the surrounding campgrounds and the

water rights. The road passes through city land and U.S. Forest Service land primarily, he said. The county works cooperatively with the Forest Service to maintain the road because it is within Lincoln County and some county residents live along the road, he said.

Stirling Spencer, a former county commissioner, said he served as chairman when the issues of liability and ownership came up about the road. "We own the first half mile and the rest is owned by the Forest Service or Alamogordo," he said. He urged commissioners to be forceful in calling for the road to be resurfaced and for the two entities to meet their obligations.

"They get money from the use of the road," he said. "At one time, we had to say to them, either pay us or you take care of it."

Parks agreed that the city benefits significantly from the lake and camping. He estimated more than 30,000 visitors a year paying fees to Alamogordo. The lake also is a city water supply reservoir.

"I think the county does more than its fair share," Sedillo said.

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Glencoe woman observes 100th birthday

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Virginia Ann Regan will celebrate her 100th birthday today with family and a small circle of friends at the Mescalero Care Center.

She was born June 9, 1910, to parents J.P. and Delia Grimmett in Dawson, Okla., and was greeted by a big brother, Herbert. The old courthouse burned and no official records are available, according to her children.

Her son, James, and his wife, Mayme Regan, live in Glencoe, as does one daughter, Barbara Briggs. Daughter, Kathleen Cline lives in McKinney, Texas.

Virginia was born in Oklahoma in 1910, in what was Indian Territory just a few years earlier. Her father worked as a road builder, which necessitated the family moving around frequently. He helped build U.S. 80, a transcontinental highway stretching from coast to coast, which is how they arrived in El Paso. Her mother cooked for the road crew.

Unlike Route 66, U.S. 80 still exists today, though severely truncated and replaced by four Interstate highways in the American Southwest. Its starting point remains in Georgia, but it now officially ends in Dallas.

Virginia was assigned the task of watching after her siblings. She worked hard all her life, and tended a lush garden in El Paso. She and her husband of 60 plus years loved to travel in their recreational vehicle,



Virginia Ann Regan, who turns 100 today, was in her 90s when photographed riding an ATV, above. At left, Regan celebrated a recent birthday with a piece of cake.

COURTESY THE REGAN FAMILY

her daughter Kathleen Cline said.

She also enjoyed being part of the lives of her seven grandchildren, and 11 great-grandchildren, and they reciprocate that love, Cline said.

"As you can see from the one photo, she has never been afraid of much," Cline said, commenting on a shot snapped when Virginia was astride a motorcycle

and already was in her 90s.

Some of the important events in her life were enumerated by her children as:

- 1916, the family moved to Owensboro, Kentucky, crossing the Mississippi River on a barge. Virginia began school there.
- 1917, the family moved back to Hainsville, Texas in Wood County.
- 1926-1930, Virginia attended Texas high schools Mexia, Oakwood, Olney, Breckenridge, from which she has a senior ring, and finally, Waxahachie.
- 1929-30, she attended and graduated from Durham's business school in Abilene, Texas.
- 1936, her family moved to El Paso
- 1937, she married John James Regan June 1, in Las Cruces.
- 1938, James Edward Regan is born March 26, in Loves Clinic in Ysleta, Texas.

• 1940, a daughter is added to the family. Kathleen Ann Regan arrives Jan. 21, also born at Loves Clinic.

1940, Virginia and Jim buy a house of their own at 7723 Franklin Road, El Paso.

• 1944, Barbara June Regan is born May 19, again at Loves Clinic.

• 1997, Virginia and her husband celebrate their 60th anniversary in Glencoe.

• 2003, Virginia sells her home in El Paso and moves to Glencoe to be nearer to her children.

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Native American, Hispanic film festival plays in June

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The second annual Native American & Hispanic Film, a series of free presentations, will be conducted at the Jicarilla Apache Nation, Taos Pueblo, Silver City, Mescalero Apache Reservation and Valencia County between June 8 and June 17.

Lisa Strout, director of the New Mexico Film Office, and Trish Lopez, New Mexico Filmmakers Program Director, said the Film Office is teaming up with the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees, Local 480, for the series designed to inform Native American and Hispanic residents about potential careers in the state's film industry.

Career advice

Professional film crew technicians will share their experiences about how they began in the industry, the lifestyle of working on set, and a representative from the state Film Office will be available to answer questions about training opportunities and other resources offered by New Mexico.

"The film tour is a unique opportunity to meet fellow New Mexicans who have created meaningful careers for themselves, improving their lives and the lives of their families," Strout said.

"This initiative continues to inspire and inform New Mexico's youth, connecting them with the opportunities that exist, right here at home."

The Jicarilla/Dulce pro-

gram occurred Tuesday, but the other free presentations are:

• Taos Pueblos, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., June 10, Main Room of the Red Willow Education Center, 885 Star Road, Taos. From Kit Carson Road, go north on Paseo del Pueblo Norte to the Allsup's Convenience store, drive towards Taos Pueblo. Red Will Ed Center is located next to Tony Reyna's Indian Shop, off the main highway (Veteran's Highway) on the right hand side. Contact is Shawn Duran, 575-758-5990 or sduran@taos-pueblo.com

• Silver City from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., June 15, at the Main Conference Room, Grant County Conference Center, 3031 Highway 180 East. Located on the corner of the 180 and the 32 Bypass. Contact Facility Manager at 505-574-2488.

• Valencia County, 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., June 17, University of New Mexico Valencia Campus, Student Community Center, CSCC-H 108, 280 La Entrada Road, (off Highway 47). Contact at the Main Campus is 505-925-8500; alexa08@unm.edu.

• Mescalero Apache Reservation, with a June date and location to be announced.

All New Mexicans are welcome to attend any of the events and registration is not necessary. For more information about the state's film industry and recent announcements from the New Mexico Film Office, check the website at www.nmfilm.com, or call 505-476-5600.

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Officials warn of monsoon season hazards

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Emergency management officials and the National Weather Service in New Mexico are urging residents and visitors to become familiar with the hazards that can be associated with summer and the monsoon season.

This is Monsoon Awareness Week in New Mexico.

The region is impacted by the North American Monsoon every summer. The monsoon season is designated as the period lasting from June 15 through Sept. 30.

With the onset of the monsoon, the region is typically affected by a variety of weather hazards that can often put people at risk for serious injury or death. The hazards include, but are not limited to, an increased risk for "dry" thunderstorms (capable of producing gusty winds and lightning, but with little rainfall, which can exacerbate the risk of wildfires), lightning, flash floods, downburst winds, dust storms and heat stress.

Hot temperatures by Ruidoso standards were recorded over the weekend, when a new record high was set on Saturday.

The village's Sierra Blanca Regional Airport registered a 93-degree reading at 4:15 p.m., surpassing the previous June 5 high of 92 degrees set in 1996.

The average high temperature for the date is 79 degrees.

The keys to avoiding serious injury or death during the summer monsoon include knowing the safety rules to survive hazardous weather, knowing how to stay informed of forecasts and warnings for severe weather storm conditions, preparing ahead of time by developing both personal and community severe weather action plans, and conducting drills to practice severe weather survival skills.

In New Mexico, statistics show that weather events associated with the monsoon season are responsible for property damage, injuries and fatalities every year. In 2008, flash floods alone resulted in five deaths, including one in Ruidoso.

The village was hit by devastating Rio Ruidoso flooding on July 27, 2008, when the remnants of Hurricane Dolly crossed the area, delivering as much as nine inches of rainfall. Hundreds of tourists, campers and residents were evacuated, nearly 900 people had to be rescued and about 500 structures were damaged in the flood.

The National Weather Service said the best way to avoid flash floods and other dangerous weather events during the monsoon season is by staying alert of the weather conditions.

In understanding watches, warnings and advisories, the weather service said severe thunderstorm, flash flood or tornado watches mean that widespread severe weather or flash flooding is possible. A watch means that severe weather or flash flooding has not yet occurred, but weather conditions are becoming highly volatile.

Warnings (severe thunderstorm, flash flood, tornado, dust storm, excessive heat) means that life-threatening weather is



Although the monsoon season is several weeks away, this spring has produced its share of stormy weather. The sky over Lincoln County was full of lightning Sunday evening, but rain didn't follow until overnight. More than 16 million lightning storms occur in the world every year. The study or science of lightning, an extremely "hot" atmospheric discharge of electricity accompanied by thunder, is called fulminology.

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about to happen, or has been reported. Take action immediately.

Area flood advisories mean heavy rains will cause minor flooding of washes, streams and other typical flood-prone areas. Flooding in this situation is usually not serious.

If the flooding does become life-threatening, then the flood advisory is upgraded to a flood warning.

Anytime there are thunderstorms, lightning is a serious issue. That is supported by the fact that lightning is the number one weather killer in New Mexico, with 84 deaths since 1959.

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Jan's Skin Spa creates younger, healthier skin

By Kelly Palmer SPECIAL WRITER

The town hasn't looked the same since Jan's Skin Spa opened up in downtown South Lion Avenue. Cares on how looking younger and healthy. Pleasant.

Microcurrent beauty is being in a class that is not only safe, but the high-tech procedure can't be found anywhere else nearby.

"They're like a mini-Accu for your face that does what you can do under the skin," said owner Janice Eason, who is a licensed esthetician and "skin" spa resident.

Beautiful through facial toning, which is known as microcurrent. Facial is a procedure that involves the delivery of microcurrent into the face through specially designed conducting wires that are applied to specific acupuncture points.

The experience is described as a relaxing and soothing massage, with no pain or stinging, and the age-defying results are immediate. Clients are treated with a facial, a massage, and a facial. From facial treatments to microcurrent, Eason has a variety of services to offer.

Although microcurrent is popular in Europe, particularly in Hollywood where movie stars like to get it, it's also becoming popular in Ruidoso.

For two years in a row, industry leaders have reported this as one of the hottest cosmetic procedures in the world. In fact, the Academy of Cosmetic Medicine has named it as one of the top 100 new beauty products in the world. Now more people are probably looking to get regular facials. Jan's Skin Spa, located at 104 Park Ave., offers a variety of services including: Skin Care, Laser Treatments, Waxing, Eyebrow Threading, Eyelash Extensions, and more.

Microcurrent is a non-invasive procedure that uses low-level electrical currents to stimulate the muscles of the face, neck, and body. This helps to tone and lift the skin, resulting in a more youthful appearance. It also helps to improve circulation, which can lead to a healthier complexion.

If you're looking for a non-invasive way to improve your skin, microcurrent is a great option. It's safe, effective, and can be done in a short amount of time. So why not give it a try? You'll be glad you did.

Factors that contribute to aging include a decrease in collagen, loss of skin elasticity, and sun damage. Microcurrent helps to stimulate the production of collagen and elastin, which can help to reduce the appearance of wrinkles and fine lines.

Benefits from the facial toning include:

- Tightens and lifts the skin, creating a more youthful appearance
- Improves blood circulation and lymphatic drainage
- Reduces the appearance of wrinkles and fine lines
- Helps to tone and lift the skin, creating a more youthful appearance
- Improves skin texture and tone
- Helps to reduce puffiness and swelling
- Helps to improve the overall appearance of the skin

Jan's Skin Spa also offers a variety of other services, including: Skin Care, Laser Treatments, Waxing, Eyebrow Threading, Eyelash Extensions, and more. So why not give it a try? You'll be glad you did.

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Race Track
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Ruidoso Downs Race Track has resumed its normal Thursday through Sunday operation with a 1 p.m. start time. As always, there is free parking at the racetrack. For race results go to www.equinbase.com.

On Deck

Monday Run/Walk/Jog
Ruidoso Wilderness Pacers are continuing to run/walk/jog every Monday evening at 5:45 p.m. The locations change from week to week so be sure and check your schedules or call 257-5030. It's not a race but whoever gets closest to their predicted time for either the 1-mile or the 3-mile distances gets a T-shirt with the Ruidoso Wilderness Pacers on the front.

Hershey's Track Meet
The Ruidoso Parks & Recreation Department is hosting another Hershey Track Meet to be held at the RHS track facility at 3 p.m. on June 12 to qualify more kids who weren't able to attend the May 15 track meet. Girls and boys ages 9-14 can participate in nine different running and field events if they missed the first one. Ribbons will be awarded to all participants and first and second place finishers in each event by age group will qualify for the state meet to be held in Roswell, June 26. Those attending the meet will have the opportunity to be chosen to participate in an all-expense paid trip to Hershey, PA, Aug. 7. Competitive events include 50-, 100-, 200- and 400-meter dash, 4x100-meter relay, 800-meter run, 1600-meter run, standing long jump and softball throw. Call 257-5030 for more information or download forms from the Parks and Recreation Website, www.ruidoso-nm.gov.

Wilderness Camp
Wilderness Camp Registration started June 7. You can still register your child for Village of Ruidoso's Wilderness Camp. Kids 5-years-old to 12-years-old are eligible on a first come first serve basis. Up to 36 spots are open per week for 7 weeks of outdoor adventure and fun. \$95 per week and discounts for early registration and second child in the family. Register on-line or pick up application at our offices and Chamber of Commerce. Camp starts on June 28 and runs Monday through Friday, 7:30 am to 5:30 pm, for 7 weeks. Call 575-257-5030 for more info.

Petting Zoo
A Petting Zoo is coming to Two-Rivers Park in Ruidoso on Saturday, June 12. Many contributors are bringing their farm animals for the kids to see and pet, plus some unusual animals and animal acts. A Longhorn steer will be available to sit on and miniature horses are just some of the attractions of the day. Ruidoso's Humane Society will be on hand for you to see and possibly adopt a pet. Come on out and enjoy the action. More info at 257-5030

Camp Mescalero
IMG will present a two-day junior golf camp on June 15-16. It will be open to all junior golfers ages 7-17 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. both days. The IMG Championship Golf Course will teach area youths the correct fundamentals, rules and etiquette of golf. The cost is \$40 per golfer. Lunch will be provided both days. Call the golf shop at 464-7941 to register.

One of the last cowboys

A local quarter horse trainer remains fiercely loyal to his roots

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A slow, halting methodical gate, right or left hand sometimes tucked into one of his front pockets, this oldtime cowboy isn't in any hurry. He's thinking.

Just as he does in bed at night. And it's always about the same thing — horses. It's a love and addiction that stretches back more than six decades.

Years of early hardship, an abiding love affair with horses, allegiance to family and overcoming periodic obstacles molded this cowboy to the ways of survival in the Southwest.

It's the Carl Draper way, more than anything else, and for him it fits.

Born in Carrizozo in 1939, to poverty-stricken

parents, the family had difficult circumstances as homesteaders in Clainch, N.M. Eventually, the Dust Bowl damage of the Dirty Thirties caused the family to give up farming in that area and move on — one of many moves the Draper's would make in the next decade.

"The agricultural damage to that area at the time caused most farmers to give up," Draper said. "From the age of five to 14 I can remember moving 10 times. My folks stayed in poverty and they died the same way."

During that period of time Draper was formulating a plan for his way out of it.

The beginning was his familiarity with his dad's workhorses at the age of five.

"I can still remember

what some of those horses looked like," the cowboy recalls.

At 11, he started mowing lawns and doing odd jobs — anything to make a buck.

At 14 he began calf roping in Roswell.

"I did OK but I didn't have much money and so I had to ride horses that didn't cost too much," he recounted. "And I couldn't keep them at my parents place. So come feeding and cleaning time I was forced to get to them the best way I could. It wasn't the most ideal of conditions.

"To get better horses I had to trade up and to do that successfully I had to quickly learn to judge horseflesh. I had been looking at horse confirmations since I was little and I think that helped me greatly later on."

Another piece of the puzzle for Draper was to graduate from high school. He realized that dream and was the only one of four sib-

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Fredda Draper's CD Frontier Justice set a world-record at Sunland Park April 12. The 3-year-old Carl Draper-trained gelding ran the 330-yard course in :15.999.

Big week at track starts with Thursday trials

TY WYANT
Ruidoso Downs Track Publicist

Ruidoso Futurity and Ruidoso Derby week starts on Thursday afternoon with Copper Top Futurity runner-up Dodson standing out in the three trials to the Mountain Top Thoroughbred Futurity on Thursday afternoon.

The Grade 1 Ruidoso Derby, with a record-smashing purse of \$568,965, runs on Saturday afternoon and the Grade 1, \$500,000 Ruidoso Futurity is on Sunday afternoon.

First post time is 1 p.m. with free parking and free grandstand admission daily.

Before those first Grade 1 stakes of season this weekend, juvenile thor-

oughbreds race five furlongs in the Mountain Top Thoroughbred Futurity trials on Thursday afternoon.

In the eighth race, Tyler Holstein and Renee Carter's Dodson makes his first appearance since barely losing the Copper Top Futurity at Sunland Park on April 17.

The Todd Fincher-trained prospect made a 2-wide move entering the stretch and took the lead, only to lose a heading-bobbing decision as the 17-10 favorite.

Juan Ochoa has the mount with the second post position.

The other trials are the third race and the fifth race on the 9-race card.

The third race brings out Copper Top Futurity trial winner Red Rock Springs.

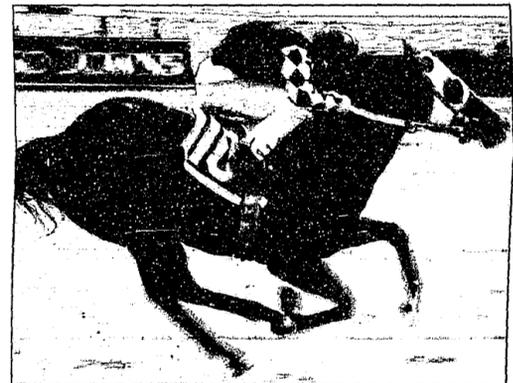
He won his trial by three lengths with a widening run through the Sunland Park stretch.

The fifth race pits Copper Top Futurity finalist Ruby Tequila against Texas Silver, coming off a sharp 2-length allowance win.

In Saturday's Ruidoso Derby, Sunland Park's hot-trainer John Stinebaugh sends out his world-record setting West Texas Derby winner Double Down Special, the fastest qualifier.

After setting the 400-yard world record of :18.613 while winning the West Texas Derby, he raced to a :19.246 time while winning his Ruidoso Derby trial by one-and-three-quarter lengths.

Sunday's Ruidoso Futurity is headed by the Paul Jones-trained pair of



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Royally Sandra was the second-fastest qualifier in the Ruidoso Futurity trials.

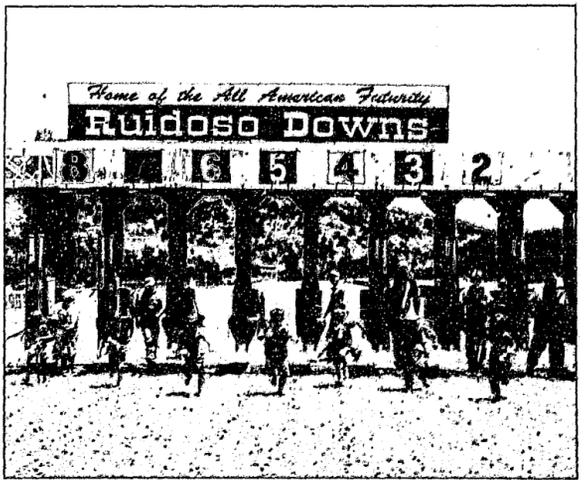
fastest-qualifier American Runaway and second-fastest qualifier Royally Sandra.

American Runaway won his trial in a sensational :17.138 for 350 yards to set the all-time record

qualifying time to the Ruidoso Futurity.

Royally Sandra made her career debut in the Ruidoso Futurity trials and won her trial by three lengths with the second-fastest time of :17.455.

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MIKE CURRAN/RUIDOSO NEWS

Family Day was celebrated Saturday at Ruidoso Downs Race Track with the ever-popular stick races and tours of the paddock, winner's circle and jockey's quarters.



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Pick Me Up gives trainer Hone 100th career stakes victory

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Ruidoso Downs Race Publicist

Odds-on favorite Pick Me Up took the lead at the start and never relinquished it to present trainer Bart Hone with his 100th stakes victory while taking the Aspen Cup for sophomore fillies at Ruidoso Downs on Saturday afternoon.

"I didn't know until a client called me this morning and said I was going for my 100th stakes win," said

Hone, who is attending a family reunion in Salt Lake City.

Jockey Mark Anthony Villa placed Pick Me Up on the lead and she was able to control the pace for the first four furlongs of the 6-furlong dash.

Badgett's Royal made a run at Pick Me Up on the turn and the winner was able to repel that bid to prevail by three lengths.

The Yankee Gentleman daughter was timed in 1:10.39 for her second win

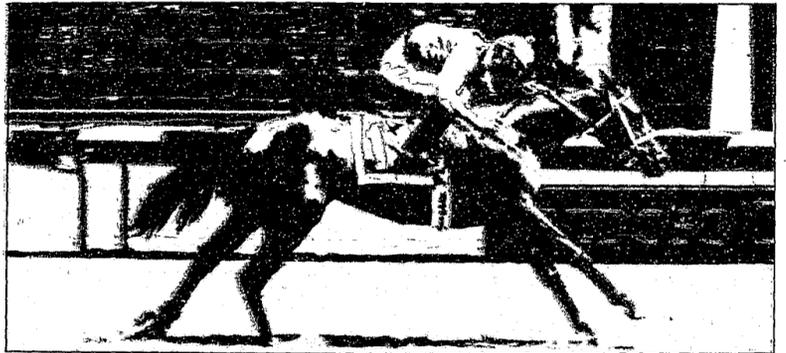
from three starts.

A homebred owned by R. Legacy Racing Inc, Pick Me Up was well placed in the Aspen Cup after a maiden win and a second-place finish at Sunland Park.

"She had been working really well. When she was second, she beat another filly I have that we really like," Hone said.

"I'm happy form the owners. It's a good win for the filly."

If I had A Bull finished third.



COURTESY RUIDOSO DOWNS RACE TRACK

Pick Me Up's Saturday victory in the Aspen Cup gives Bart Hone his 100th stakes win.

Mountain West Conference opts not to expand at this time

LAS CRUCES SUN-NEWS
Sun-News and wire reports

The presidents of the Mountain West Conference decided Monday not to expand the nine-team league at this time.

The decision is part of a constant conversation that could have implications across the landscape of college athletics for years to come.

In a Monday evening conference call, Western

Athletic Conference commissioner Karl Benson said the WAC will continue to monitor that landscape while featured football member Boise State remains part of the conference for the time being.

"This is an unbelievable, volatile period," Benson said. "The poker playing that is going on I think, is unprecedented."

Boise State officials and fans had hoped to join the Mountain West and leave

the WAC, a league the Broncos have dominated for a decade in football.

"I think it's great for the conference (that the Broncos are staying). They're a premier team," New Mexico State football coach DeWayne Walker said. "They bring credibility."

"The whole conference is still chasing them. Hopefully, somebody will catch them at some point. Right now, they're the bully

that's setting the standard high."

Moving to the Mountain West could have generated more revenue for the Boise State athletic department, increased athletic competition in football, basketball and other sports and given the Broncos a clearer path to college football's biggest stage, the Bowl Championship Series.

Mountain West commissioner Craig Thompson said the decision to hold off

on expansion is tied to the shake-ups and shifting landscape in some of the nation's bigger conferences.

Officials from the Big Ten, Pac-10 and Big 12 are considering adding schools or reorganizing.

He said the decision is not final, and that the board may reconsider once the dust settles in the other conferences.

"Due to the uncertainty in the intercollegiate landscape, the board did not

make a decision to expand at the present time," Thompson said at the end of the board's annual meeting in Jackson, Wyo.

"The Mountain West will continue to monitor developments ... and prepare for potential scenarios."

Benson said the WAC had been anticipating Boise State leaving the league amid several reports in the last two weeks.

COWBOY

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lings to do so. Along the way he played baseball and basketball and learned what it felt like to win at something.

"Being poor made me want to be the very best at roping and whatever other sport I involved myself in," Draper said.

During his time in Roswell he met his wife-to-be Fredda. She had been attending college in Las Cruces.

He was 22, and she, two years his junior. "We got married six weeks after we met," Draper said. "That was 48 1/2 years ago."

Six months after the wedding the two bought a 3-acre piece of land in Roswell and on it they built a house, barn and roping arena.

"I've owned property ever since," Draper stated.

The Zoza-born cowboy kept roping with success around New Mexico until he moved to Colorado in 1964.

"I roped the most there because I was finally financially able to buy better horses and have the time to practice more," he said. "I was obsessed with it - I liked the thrill of winning in roping and bull riding."

After 25 years of roping he and his family moved to El Paso in 1978 to train racehorses full time at Sunland Park. And then on to Ruidoso Downs Race Track to fame and respect.

What does he attribute his accomplishments to?

"First of all, I have the most fantastic wife and partner in the world," he answered without hesitation.

"I've never met a woman that could walk the walk

like my wife.

"I learned my trade and paid my dues in roping, trading and horseracing. My motto is - never lie, never cheat a customer and don't be afraid to tell the truth.

"And those are the reasons I believe my horseracing partners have been with me for years. They made my successes possible.

"For me to be at the top of my game I have to be 100 percent devoted to my horses. That means being in the barn seven days a week, year round.

"At times I lie awake in bed and wonder what I can do for one horse with a bad ankle, another one with breathing problems and so on and so forth. It's my addiction but this fixation is a good habit. That's what makes it all work for me."

At 71, and financially comfortable, you might

wonder what keeps driving Draper.

"My wife, children, grandchildren and great-granddaughter are the reasons I keep going," he explained.

"Besides, there's nothing else I want to do more than train horses. I want a few good horses I can take care of and watch over."

How does he relax?
"By winning races," the cowboy replied.

He's had some big horses win big races but this is Draper's story and for his monumental wins you may look in the record books for that information. His achievements speak for themselves.

"I've always wanted to take care of my family first and foremost," Draper concluded. "And then, when I come to the end of the trail it'll be OK. I did it my way."



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A Ruidoso News exclusive

Carl Draper relaxes by winning races.

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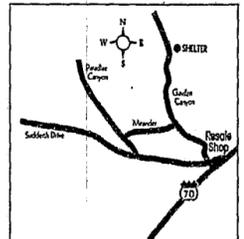
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EVIE

Evie is an adorable female tortie colored kitten. She is about 3 months old, very friendly and playful. Evie came to the shelter after being found in the tailpipe of a pickup! She loves racing around the cat room with the other kittens and when she is sleepy, Evie loves to cuddle!

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ANABEL

Anabel is a very attractive black lab mix. She is solid black except for a vertical white stripe on her chest. Anabel is very friendly with people and dogs alike. You may have seen her at the Dog Park during the week playing with all the other dogs. Anabel is fairly young, no more than a year old and weighs about 70 pounds.

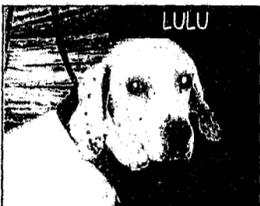
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LOGAN

Logan is an extremely cute solid black hound mix. He is full of energy and very outgoing. Logan is about 4 months old and should mature to be about 80 pounds or more.

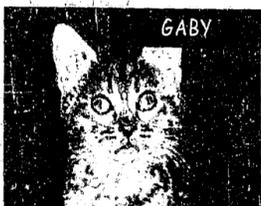
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LULU

Lulu is a very sweet Pointer mix. She is 2 years old and weighs just under 40 pounds. Lulu is good with other dogs and walks well on the leash.

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GABY

Gaby is a very sweet kitten, born 3/16/10. She has short hair and brown tabby markings. She is a little cutie pie!

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LEO

Leo is a handsome young kitten, born 3/16/2010. He is quite a bit larger than his sister, Gaby. Leo has beautiful brown tabby markings and is very friendly.

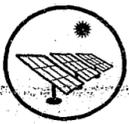
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CALEB

Caleb is the last kitten from a litter of 6 born at the shelter on 2/28/10. He has pretty orange tabby and white markings.

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Corona Schools received a donation of Will James books as part of book gifting program through the Will James Society. L-r, back row: Librarian Linda Greer, Francisco Torres, Haleigh Erramouspe, Lacie Montell, Allison Martin and Aubrey Brandenburger. Front row: Luke Lueras, Tarren Washburn, Nicola Johnson, Koelle Brandenberger, Leigh Anne Montell.

Will James rides into the Corona Schools Library

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The donation of books to the Corona Schools has been made through the Will James Society Book Gifting Program.

It is the mission of the Will James Society to provide these wholesome books in the Western genre, that were written and illustrated by Will James, to schools and public libraries throughout the United States and Canada.

Recently, the Society purchased "soft cover" versions of the Will James' books to send to soldiers in Iraq and Afghanistan, who can tuck the soft cover books into their backpacks.

They are also sending books to the hospitals, convoy depots and individual military units.

Since October 2007, the Society has shipped 689 books to 40 locations throughout the United States, Canada, Iraq and Afghanistan.

The Society is able to purchase the books at generous discount through the Will James Art Company in Billings, Mont.

The Will James Gifting Program is the Society's way of bringing all the wonderful stories written and illustrated by Will James to communities where children (and adults) can read stories. The concept is to encourage the realism of the stories that do not contain the usual Hollywood type "shoot 'em ups."

It is their way of preserving the wholesome, true-life, cowboy experiences of Will James.

The Society welcomes

donations from individuals to help them purchase more books and encourage new membership to the Will James Society.

The Society is a non-profit, charitable organization, so donations are tax deductible.

Donors will be provided with an acknowledgement of their contribution for tax purposes. For more information, visit the Society's website at www.will-james.org.

For inquiries on how to arrange for a donation of books provided to a school or public library of your choice, contact Barbara Warwick, director of the Will James Book Gifting Program, 514 W. Laredo Loop, Payson, AZ, phone 928-468-2427 or email bwarwick95842@yahoo.com.

SUMMER READING IN CAPITAN



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The Capitan Public Library's first day of the Summer Reading Program was a huge success. Top photo is performer Andy Mason, of Portales. Mason performs at libraries all over the New Mexico and Texas. Bottom photo, kids attending the program had a watermelon seed spitting contest. The summer reading program runs each Monday from 10:30 a.m. until noon, through the months of June and July. Children under 6-years of age must be accompanied by an adult. For more information, call 575-354-3035.

COUNTY BRIEFS

Fun Run

The 30th Annual Smokey Bear Fun Run in Capitan, will be at 7:30 a.m., July 3.

The registration fee is \$20 for early signup until June 30.

Late registration is \$40 on July 1-3.

The run starts at the intersection of East Creek road and Pine Lodge Road in Capitan.

Plaques will be given to the top three overall finishers, male and female, 2-mile and 10k.

In addition, the top three finishers in each of the race divisions and age groups will receive medals.

Race Divisions: Male and Female, 10k and 2-mile fun run; Age groups: 10 and under, 11-20, 21-30, 31-40, 41-50, 51 and up.

Smokey Bear will present the awards to the runners.

Each registered runner will also receive a T-shirt and many other soon-to-be collectible Smokey Bear items.

Late registrations will not receive a T-shirt.

For more information, visit the website at: <http://sbhacapitan.org/FunRun.aspx> or contact David Cunningham at 575-354-2748 or via e-mail at david.cunningham@state.nm.us.

Food for kids

A USDA summer food program is responsible for free lunches for kids.

Meals are served to children Monday-Friday at Fred Chavez Park, 11:45-12:45 a.m., Spencer Park Noon -1 p.m., and at the Assembly of God Church 12:15-1 p.m.

Pastor Barbara Bradley said on the first day of serving, they fed lunch 36 kids.

Leftover meals will be available to adults for a small fee.

Volunteers are welcome. Contact Barbara Bradley at the Assembly of God Church or call 648-3025.

Half Day College

The Corona Range and Livestock Research Center is hosting their Half Day of College on Thursday, June 10 at the NMSU Ranch in Corona.

Registration is at 9 a.m., introduction at 9:30 a.m. and classes begin at 10 a.m.

The three concurrent sessions cover solar and wind energy for the landowner, By-product feed stuffs, and animal health (Trichomoniasis).

Classes are free and lunch will be served. Contact Shad Cox at 849-1015 for information or directions to the ranch.

Sunday hot dogs

The Carrizozo Woman's Club will sell grilled hot dogs, chips and soda as well as homemade baked goods at the June 13, Music in the Parks event in Carrizozo. That event is 5-7 p.m.

The fundraiser is one of several planned to make the money needed for a new roof on the historic

clubhouse building.

Built by the WPA in 1939, the building is listed on the the State and National Historic Register.

Come enjoy the music and have a hot dog for a good cause.

Music in the Parks

Music in the Parks is hosting Top Brass, a sextet of brass players from Ruidoso and Alto, on Sunday, June 13, from 5-7 p.m., in McDonald Park.

This will be an old-fashioned family picnic and concert in the park.

Bring your lawn chair, an appetite and join in for an evening of fun.

Top Brass is directed by Brenda Berryhill and include James Horne and Bernie Hulme on trumpets, Sharon Stewart on French horn, Jim Miller on baritone, and Evan Stubbs and Berryhill playing trombone.

Carrizozo Music in the Parks is a project of Carrizozo Works, Inc. For more information, contact Elaine Brannen 648-2757

Corona Story Hour

The, Corona Public Library hosts a Pre-School Story Hour every third Thursday of the month at 4 p.m., at the Corona Public

Library.

Themed stories, activities, crafts, snacks are all part of the hour. For more information, call Betty Ann Bell at 849-3277.

Tea for four

The Village of Corona Public Library is hosting an author program at 3 p.m., Friday, June 18, at the Corona Public Library.

Four friends shared their writings which eventually became a book entitled *Sharing Moments over Tea: The Journeys of Four Women*.

It includes stories and poems about life, people. Cookies and tea will be served.

The authors will be available to sign copies of the book. Come and bring a guest.

For more information, call 849-3277.

Smokey parade

The Capitan Independence Day Parade will be held on Saturday, July 3, this year and will begin promptly at 10 a.m.

The Capitan Chamber of Commerce is now accepting entries for the parade. Deadline for entries is 4 p.m., June 25.

Late entries will be placed at the end of the

parade and will not be judged.

Don't miss your opportunity to place your business or organization in the spotlight.

Applications may be made on line at www.villageofcapitan.com or you may pick up an application at the Chamber Office at 104 A Lincoln Ave. Entries can be faxed to 575-354-0072.

This year's theme is "We the People."

For more information, call the Capitan Chamber at 575-354-2273.

Cowboy Days

Carrizozo Cowboy Days this year (the off year for the big event) will present another Carrizozo Cowboy Days Ranch Rodeo, June 12, at the Hemphill Arena, 1/4 mile south of Carrizozo on Highway 54.

Concessions are by the Najars, and beverages are by the junior class Carrizozo High School.

There are five teams competing with five cowboys or cowgirls per team.

Rodeo starts at 1 p.m. Bleachers available or bring your own chairs and shade. Come early and visit with the cowboys.

Announcer is Scott Shafer and arena director is Matt Ferguson.

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WEED OF THE WEEK

Welcome to a new season of Lincoln County Cooperative's Weed of the Week.

To begin, we (the Lincoln county cooperative Weed Management Area) offer a quote taken from one of LCCWMA's weed identification brochures.

"Weeds are undesirable, not only for their appearance and aggressive nature, but also because they are unhealthy for our native wildlife and limited watersheds.

Non-native weeds choke and erode creeks, streams, and rivers; prevent abundance of birds and wildlife; are toxic to livestock, and have a negative impact on the state's economy."

To summarize, weeds are *bad*.

Nearly everyone in Lincoln County, unfortunately, is familiar with thistles. Probably most are able to recognize either the Musk or the Bull Thistle.

These two thistles are closest to each other in size and plague nearly every lawn and field in our county.

This week we'll focus in on **Bull Thistle**.

It's not uncommon for the bull thistle to drop an incredible 20,000 seeds per flower head, and as you can see from the photo, each plant has plenty of flower heads.

Bull thistles usually come in packs. The quickly form huge stands and are great at taking over areas. Footholds are gained easily with their seed production.

Bull thistles hail from Eurasia and have been taking over native riparian areas of North America since the 19th Century, possibly before then.

A biennial, this weed reproduces from seed only and has a two-year life cycle.

A Bull thistle's first year will be in the form of a spiny rosette with a fairly deep



BULL THISTLE

28-inch taproot; in its second year, it will produce its many-branched stem, flower heads, and seeds.

At maturity bull thistles are between 1- and 7-foot tall. Bull thistle leaves are lance-shaped with sharp spines at their tips and are covered with prickly hair on top and cottony hair underneath.

Flower heads are 1-2 inches long and 1-2 inches wide. The flower head is bell shaped and covered in sharp spiny bracts.

Usually pink or purple, the bull thistle flowers turn white and cottony in appearance once they have dropped their seeds and have begun to die.

Eradication: In order to battle this noxious weed seed set *must* be prevented.

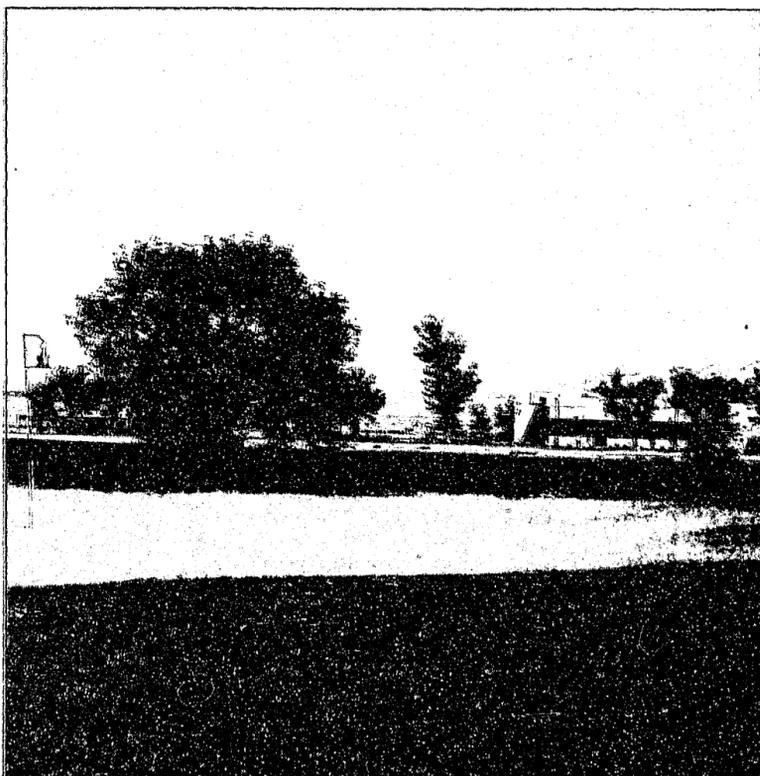
Hoe plants up at their roots when they are in their rosette form, or mow once they have bolted, being sure to bag all flower heads.

USDA approved herbicides are very effective on the bull thistle. One-hundred-twenty grain natural vinegar is also effective if used correctly.

LCCWMA offers herbicides to Lincoln County residents at Cost plus 10 percent. Call the office in Capitan at 575-354-2220.

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Valle del Sol Golf Course in Carrizozo is offering FREE FRIDAY golf, 7 a.m. until dark, June 11, to benefit Special Olympics of Lincoln County. Restaurant specials are offered all day as well as great deals on pro-shop merchandise. Players must call ahead and make a tee-time with a maximum of two tee-times per person, and four people per group. Players must have proper attire and be 16-years of age to drive a cart. All players are asked to make a \$5 donation to Special Olympics. Call 575-648-2770 to get a tee-time and enjoy free golf on Valle del Sol.

POLICE & COURTS

Monday's search-and-rescue has a happy ending

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A retired 71-year-old pastor, who was the focus of a Monday afternoon search and rescue in the mountains northwest of Ruidoso, walked out fine on his own.

Vernon Brinkley of Alto said he wanted to take his two grandsons and their other grandfather to the location of a 1972 plane wreck on the mountain.

The trek started at the Crest Trail, near the Monjeau Lookout fire tower.

Brinkley said he went down another trail in pursuit of the route to crash wreckage and ended up on a different ridge.

"I got turned around in the woods," said Brinkley. "The grand kids will still

with their other grandfather. But I got into some heavy woods. I had three concerns. I was lost. I worried about dehydration. I worried about fatigue."

And his cell phone eventually went dead.

Presley Duke, the nine- and 10-year olds' other grandfather, said about 45 minutes into the trek Brinkley felt they were near the plane crash site and he alone went downhill to search. He said he had been on-and-off in cell phone contact with Brinkley until about 1:20 p.m. when he only got voice mail.

"We bowed our heads and prayed, asking God to give Vernon strength and wisdom to find his way," said Duke. He recalled earlier a forest service employee at the lookout tower who

provided a map.

"She cautioned us to keep landmarks in sight so we would not get lost," said Duke. "Vernon remarked that the last thing we need today is a search party. And it turned out that the last thing we needed today was a search party."

The search and rescue was activated around 3:30 p.m., said Captain Keith Duncan with New Mexico State Police.

"He was in the Monjeau Peak area. We knew that," said Duncan. "He had gone hiking about 11 a.m. and had not returned."

Brinkley said once he came upon a creek he knew he would be fine. And he knew he was traveling north.

"I had been a pilot in Viet Nam," said Brinkley. "My survival training

kicked back in and I stayed focused. It was steep and hard to maneuver because there was some pretty rough terrain."

Some very light and intermittent rain fell in parts of the area later in the afternoon.

Walking into the Bonito Lake area about 6 p.m., Brinkley found someone with a cellular phone so he could let his family know he was OK.

Lincoln County Office of Emergency Services Director Travis Atwell said some responders then went to Bonito Lake.

"They checked him out. He was fine, so there was no medical need."

A national forest engine from the Smokey Bear Ranger District, the Bonito Volunteer Fire Department, the Lincoln County



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New Mexico State Police Officer Chad Casson (left to right), White Mountain Search and Rescue's Tony Davis, and the U.S. Forest Service's Virgil Reynolds, were among the responders to a Monday search for wayward hiker in the northern Sacramento Mountains.

Office of Emergency Services, New Mexico State Police and White Mountain Search and Rescue responded to the area of the Skyline Campground, near Monjeau.

"I'm very, very impressed with the rescue bunch," Brinkley said of their response. "I hated, though, to interrupt their day."

The elevation at Skyline is about 9,000 feet, according to the Lincoln National Forest. Bonito Lake has a listed elevation of 7,380 feet. Brinkley said he was told the unintended hike he took was about 8.5 miles as the crow flies.

The Sierra Blanca Disaster Relief Team provided snacks and drinks to the responders.

RUIDOSO POLICE BRIEFS

May 30

11:34 p.m. - Police were sent to a residence in the 500 block of Wingfield Street for a breaking and entering and criminal damage to property.

A front door had been kicked open and a window broken. Damage was estimated at \$150. It did not appear anything else was damaged.

June 2

3:07 p.m. - An officer responded to Magic Mushroom, 1407 Sudderth Dr. for a burglary.

The manager said upon entering the store at 2:50

p.m. it was discovered items were missing. A back door had been forced open and wires to a security alarm had been cut.

More than \$1,000 in merchandise was taken and two display cabinets were damaged.

8:14 p.m. - A Ruidoso Downs man was charged with battery after a report of a fight in progress at Café Rendezvous, 524 Sudderth Dr.

Thomas Lewicki, 20, claimed he was defending himself. The other man was taken to the Lincoln County Medical Center for

treatment.

June 5

10:26 a.m. - A handgun was reported stolen from a vehicle that was in the parking lot of Hotel Ruidoso, 110 Chase St. A woman said she went to her car and found the passenger side window broken out. A security camera that covered the parking lot showed a man at the vehicle at 2:13 a.m. The recovered had a value of \$200.

4:41 p.m. - An officer responded to a report of harassment from a resident in the 300 block of

Carter's Lane.

A woman said she had been getting calls and text messages on her cellular phone. She was advised to make it clear she wanted no further contact. The officer also suggested changing the phone number.

9:36 p.m. - Police were called to a case of criminal damage to property and burglary from a vehicle. The vehicle, parked at Chef Lupe's, 1101 Sudderth Dr., had a passenger window broken out. Taken was a purse that contained a driver's license, social security card and a cell phone.

RUIDOSO DOWNS POLICE BRIEFS

May 29

1:30 a.m. - Police arrested Colton Parker, 18, no hometown provided, for criminal trespassing at Denny's Restaurant.

2:45 a.m. - Police arrested Gabriel Nava, 18, no hometown provided, for criminal trespassing at Denny's Restaurant. Nava

was also charged with resisting or obstructing police.

May 30

11:20 p.m. - An officer arrested David Chaves-Mendez, 32, no hometown provided, on a charge of dri-

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Allegra Trujillo
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A memorial service for Allegra Trujillo is set for June 12, 2010 at 11:00 am with the Reverend Bill Jones officiating. Allegra was born in Estancia, NM on Monday May 10, 1928 to Ben and Minnie Mullen; they both preceded her in death. Her dear sister Evelyn Mullen also preceded her in death. Allegra was married to Robert Trujillo for many years; he also preceded her in death. Allegra was a happy go lucky person who had many great friends. Allegra never let any obstacles stop her; she traveled all over the United States as a transport driver for the Shriner's Hospital. Allegra was also a lifetime member of Eastern Star. She drove the Arabela mall route up until the day she got sick. She had a good heart and smile that could light up the darkest days. After the service you are invited to a potluck at the Tinnie Fellowship Hall.

RDPD

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ving while under the influence.

No time provided -- A traffic stop resulted in an arrest for outstanding warrants. Taken into custody was Kimber Wright, 23, no hometown provided.

May 31
7:10 p.m. -- An unidentified juvenile was arrested after he allegedly tried to shoplift a Pioneer amplifier from Walmart. The juvenile was issued a citation, referred to the juvenile probation office, and released to his parents.

8 p.m. -- An officer wrote an accident report involving a hit and run that hap-

pened at the Ruidoso Downs Race Track and Billy the Kid Casino. The person who took off is known and the investigation is ongoing.

No time provided -- A traffic stop resulted in an arrest for outstanding warrants. Taken into custody was Tina L. Dennison, no hometown provided.

No time provided -- An

officer was requested to meet with an official with the New Mexico Children, Youth and Families Department on a possible case of child abuse. Jessica M. Harms, 20, no hometown provided, admitted biting a child. She was charged with child abuse.

June 2

No time provided -- A man told police that his

vehicle had been carjacked at knifepoint at Muddy Grubby.

A search for the 2006 Ford Explorer was initiated. The vehicle was found the next day at a residence in Mescalero. Steven E. Luque, 35, no hometown provided, was arrested in the case.

June 4

No time provided -- An

accident report of a two vehicle private property crash in the 300 block of Parker Road was written by an officer.

June 5

No time provided -- An officer responded to the Ladera Apartments for a hit and run crash.

A report was taken for a private property crash. No other information given.

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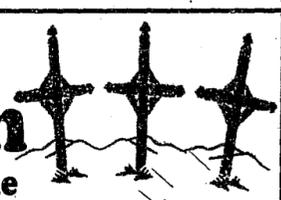
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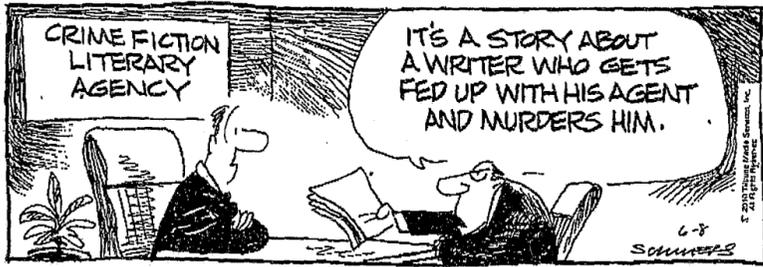
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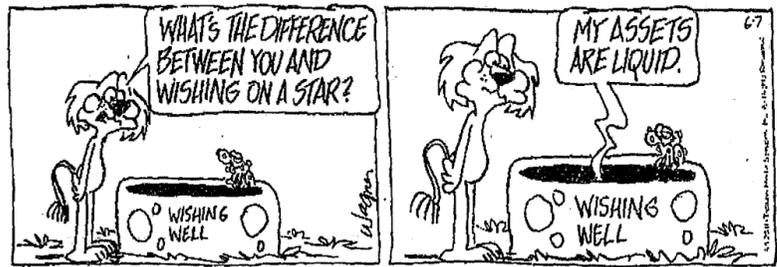
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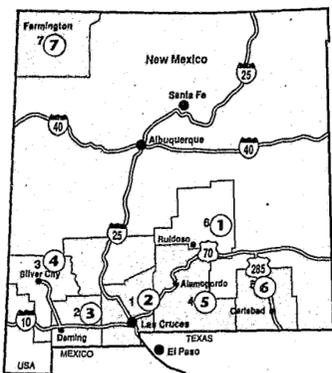
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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF AMBER HERRERA

For Change of Name of the Minor Child BREANA C. MENCHACA

No. CV-10-151

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME AND NOTICE OF HEARING

COMES NOW the Petitioner and hereby gives notice that she has filed a Petition for Change of Name in the County of Lincoln, New Mexico, on the 28th day of April, 2010, requesting that the Petitioner's name be changed from Breana C. Menchaca to Breana C. Herrera

Furthermore, Petitioner hereby gives notice of a hearing on the Petition for Change of Name which will be held before the Honorable Karen L. Parsons at 10:30 a.m. on the 8th day of June, 2010 at the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carlsbad, New Mexico, where the Petitioner will appear to sign the final Order changing the name from Breana C. Menchaca to Breana C. Herrera

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

BA HOME LOANS SERVING RUIDOSO COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING LP

vs.

REFUGIO E. DIAZ JR. and JANE DOE DIAZ (True Name Unknown) HUSBANDS

vs.

THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN DOE and JANE DOE (True Names Unknown), Tenants

Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT

TO: Defendant(s) Refugio E. Diaz, Jr. and Jane Doe Diaz (True Name Unknown), possible spouse of Refugio E. Diaz, Jr.

You are hereby notified that one of the above named Plaintiff has filed a civil action against you in the above entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on property located at 100 Doc Holiday, in the City of Alto, New Mexico, more particularly described as follows:

Lot 4, Block 22, of RANCHO RUIDOSO VILLAGE, a subdivision in Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, New Mexico, on November 30, 1982, in Book 30, Page 105, and also to 103, both inclusive.

and all improvements, including but not limited to, manufactured homes attached thereto and more particularly described as a 2004 Saltwater K2798B.

That unless you respond to the Complaint within 30 days of completion of publication of this notice, judgment by default will be entered against you.

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Name, address, and phone number of Plaintiff's attorney: Susan C. Little & Associates, P.A., 4501 Indian School NE, Suite 100, Post Office Box 3509, Albuquerque, NM 87109-3509, 505-254-7767.

WITNESS the Honorable KAREN L. PARSONS, District Judge of the Twelfth Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico, in the County of Lincoln, this 17th day of May, 2010.

JAN PERRY, CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

By: Elizabeth Y. Sast Deputy

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

COMES NOW the Petitioner and hereby gives notice that she has filed a Petition for Change of Name in the County of Lincoln, New Mexico, on the 17th day of May, 2010, requesting that the Petitioner's name be changed from Ruth Hurtgen to Chama Ruth Hurtgen

Furthermore, Petitioner hereby gives notice of a hearing on the Petitioner's Petition for Change of Name, which shall be held before the Honorable Karen L. Parsons at 10:30 a.m. on the 25th day of May, 2010, at the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carlsbad, New Mexico, where the Petitioner will appear to sign the final Order changing the name from Ruth Hurtgen to Chama Ruth Hurtgen

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

FIRST NATIONAL BANK IN RUIDOSO, INC. a National Banking Corporation,

Plaintiff,

vs.

BARBARA S. CODY, BARBARA S. CODY ENTERPRISES, L.L.C., and SAM LANE

Defendants.

CV-2009-387 Division: III

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

TO: BARBARA S. CODY, BARBARA S. CODY ENTERPRISES, L.L.C., and SAM LANE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Foreclosure against you as Defendant in the above entitled matter of this action in the County of Lincoln, New Mexico, on the 28th day of May, 2010, at the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carlsbad, New Mexico, where the Petitioner will appear to sign the final Order changing the name from Barbara S. Cody to Barbara S. Cody Enterprises, L.L.C. and Sam Lane

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