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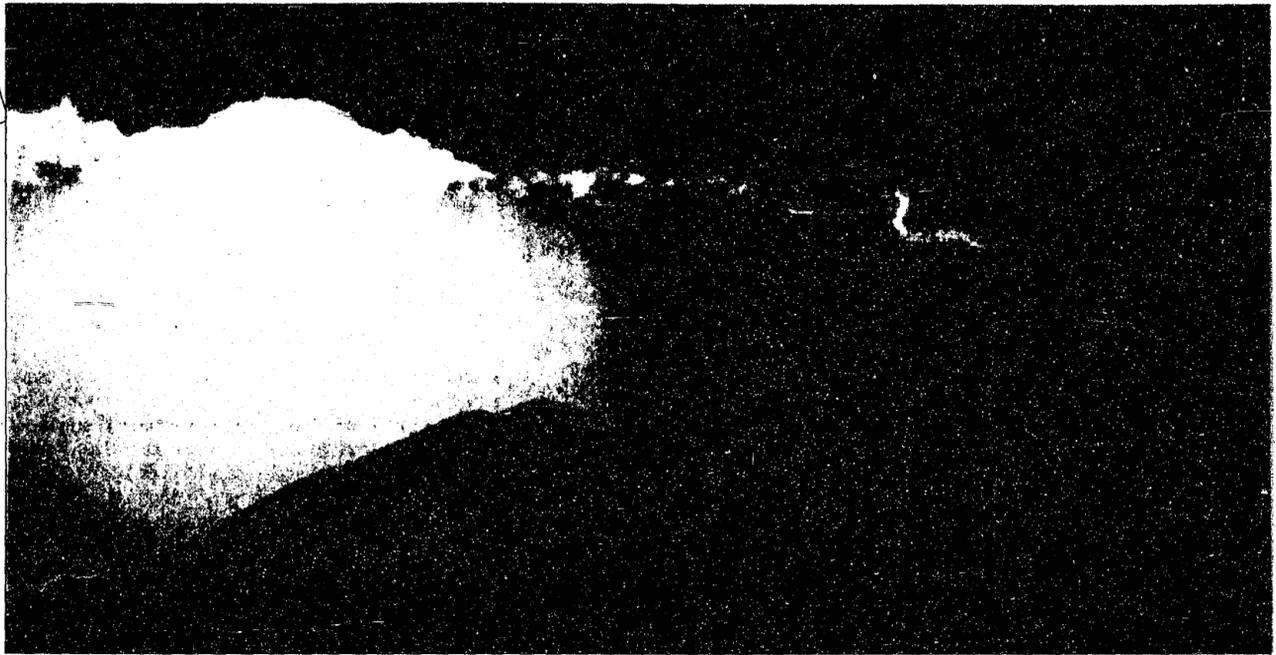
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A recent sunset casts an eerie glow over the mountains and forests of Lincoln County, just in time for the ghosts and goblins of Halloween.

COURTESY DAVID TREMBLAY

Hunting limits increased

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Bear and cougar harvest adjusted at state Game Commission meeting in Mescalero

Bear and cougar hunting opportunities in New Mexico will improve, to the delight of some and the dismay of others. The New Mexico State Game Commission adopted changes to the bear and cougar rule during their meeting Thursday at the Inn of the Mountain Gods. The adjustments, nearly a year in the works, had brought large crowds at a series of public meetings. Groups such as the New Mexico Cattle Growers Association and Animal Protection of New

Mexico weighed in on the proposed changes. The New Mexico Department of Game and Fish had scaled back harvest numbers recently after hearing from the public. The number of cougars that could be killed in a year was reduced from a proposed 996 to 742. Commission chair Jim McClintic said the debate over the bear and cougar rule changes have been most controversial. "I still urged the department over the past two to three days to

see exactly where they could tune this down," said McClintic. Jim Lane, the department's Wildlife Management Division chief, said the lowered cougar harvest level would change management strategy. "We lowered the total harvest percentage in 63 percent of the state from 25 percent of the population to 17 percent of the population. In the remaining portion of the state, where we propose to decrease populations, to do so we lowered from 30 percent of the

total population to 25 percent of the total population. It's a clear change in strategy." With more bears in New Mexico, Lane said nuisance complaints rose between 2004 and 2009. "Our goal is to stabilize populations in 72 percent of the bear habitat in the state. We will decrease populations in 28 percent of the state." The bear management zone around Ruidoso was among the territories targeted for a decline in bear populations. Lane called the proposed limits "very conservative."

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Auditor: Village at risk

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They didn't like receiving it, but Ruidoso officials weren't surprised to see a letter from the state auditor's office telling them the village was considered "at risk" and would require special monitoring. During the village council meeting Tuesday, Mayor Ray Alborn mentioned the letter from State Auditor Hector Balderas. "We were behind in reconciliation of bank statements (with village internal accounts) and with our audits," he said. "The bank reconciliation is completed and we're caught up." The village began the fiscal year in July with a goal of completing two fiscal year audits within one year to bring Ruidoso into compliance with state rules and place it back on schedule for annual audits. In 2004 and under a former administration, the village began to slip behind, because of a state audit investigation of contracts related to legal services, the public golf course and the lodge next to the convention center. Village officials contested some of the conclusions, including that it was owed more than \$1 million on two leases, and annual audits were delayed when the state report came back with dozens of findings, some referred for possible criminal action to the district attorney. Those items were shifted among different departments over the next few years and no criminal violations were ever established or pursued. The situation was compounded by massive flooding on the Rio Ruidoso in July 2008, which destroyed more than a dozen bridges and damaged many roads and other infrastructure. In his letter dated Oct. 14, Balderas wrote that the village was designated "at risk," for failing to meet its

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Camp: Village 'subsidizing' Downs

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The village of Ruidoso is subsidizing the city of Ruidoso Downs more than \$50,000 a year based on the percentage of sewage flow contributed by the city, Ruidoso Village councilors were told Tuesday. Capital Projects Director Randall Camp delivered the news during a report on a flow analysis to the Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant during Fiscal Year 2009-2010. The city is contributing about 18 percent of the flow to the plant, but is capped at bearing 15 percent of the expense of operating the plant and for building a \$36 million new plant mandated by a court settlement and by stricter state and federal rules on discharges into the Rio Ruidoso. "Some good news from the analysis is that this is a tourist town and the sewage flow translates to dollars in the local economy," Camp said. "The charts are trending back up to the 2006-2007 time frame on sewer flows. That's real good economic

news. We're pulling back up from the downturn." The cost of treating 1,000 gallons of flow decreased last year to \$2.51, down from \$2.84 in Fiscal Year 2008-2009, he said. "The bad news is that's at the old plant and you never will see it as cheap again." The sophisticated new plant requires more chemicals and the sewage goes through more processes. "You can figure \$4.80 to \$5 per 1,000 gallons, he said, adding that's if Otero Electric Cooperative does not follow the Public Service Company of New Mexico in asking for an electric rate increase. According to the charts presented by Camp and Village Engineer Bob Decker, the city's percentage of flow in 2009-2010 came to 18.8 percent, spiking as high as 28.6 percent in heavy use winter months for skiers and as low as 11.6 percent in July. The cost difference between 18.8 percent and 15 percent comes to \$57,539, he said. The village essentially is picking up the other 3.8 percent. He

defended the mechanism used to calculate flow as well calibrated and 100-year-old technology. For years, Ruidoso Downs officials questioned the accuracy of the 15 percent figure that was established by arbitration, contending it should be lower. Earlier this year, city officials were toured through the system that measures the flow and the Ruidoso Downs mayor said at that time he was satisfied with the approach. Sewage flow from two of Mescalero's commercial enterprises and one subdivision, customers of the village, is approaching 10 percent of the total flow to the plant, Camp said. The charts also reflect winters without snow and seasonally decreases in the fall and in March, he said. The years when the national forest was closed are illustrated by plunging chart valleys. The gross receipts tax is affected, as well as sewage flow, Camp said. "The city does a lot of hotel business," he pointed out. "You can spot the weekend just with the figures."

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COURTESY DAVID TREMBLAY

Frederick W. Nolen, far right, and wife Heidi, second from left, are welcomed back to Lincoln County by James and Lynda Sanchez and at far left, Nelson Morgan, former State Legislator and a member of the New Mexico Farm and Ranch Foundation Board. Nolen, a noted historian, is considered by many the premiere authority and author with regards to the Lincoln County War and Billy the Kid. He wrote a biography of John H. Tunstall; Billy and a major book on the Lincoln County War. His other books includes many Westerns, "The Russian Revolution" and a biography on Irving Berlin. He comes to Lincoln County several times a year from his home in Chalfont St. Giles outside of London. In July, he was a major speaker at the Wild West History Conference at The Inn of the Mountain Gods. He participated in the McSween Site archaeological dig in the historic settlement of Lincoln, where he met historian Lynda Sanchez and they became friends and colleagues. On this trip, Sanchez took him to Mesalero Apache Reservation, where he saw the St. Joseph's Mission and met some of the Mesalero restoration team.

siderate (and legal) and do not cut trees on private lands, within Wilderness areas or District Ranger Office locations.

You may purchase a permit at all Lincoln National Forest Offices in Alamogordo, Cloudercroft and Ruidoso; Chamber of Commerce Offices in Alamogordo, Cloudercroft, Ruidoso and Roswell; Walmart in Alamogordo and Ruidoso Downs; and Smokey Bear Historical State Park in Capitan.

Visit any Lincoln National Forest Office from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, to purchase a permit. If you are not near a location that sells the permit over-the-counter, pick up a mail-in application from one of the mail-in application locations. Maps and specific instructions are provided with the mail-in or in-person permit purchase. Visitors are urged to call ahead for the latest travel and weather conditions. All sales are final.

For more information on the Christmas Tree permit program, contact the Smokey Bear Ranger District Office at 575-257-4095.

Halloween safety

Officials with the New Mexico Poison and Drug Information Center offered the following tips for children's safety:

- Read instructions when applying costume makeup, face paint, glitter or hair spray. Select non-toxic materials when using makeup and watch for skin irritations like rash or itching.

If an irritation occurs wash the makeup off immediately with soap and water. Keep all cosmetics out of the reach of children.

- Feed children before they go out trick or treating, so that they will not be tempted to eat candy before an adult has inspected it.

- Have an adult inspect all candy or toys received in trick or treating. Only eat treats that are in original, unopened wrappers. Discard candy if wrappers are faded, have holes or tears or show signs of loose wrapping or re-wrapping.

- Check homemade treats and fruits for foreign objects that may have been inserted or injected. Look for pins, razor blades, and needles.

- Drugs can look like candy. If you are not sure it is candy throw it away.

- Remember that some treats can be poisonous to pets, especially chocolate.

- Dry ice can be used in punch bowls, but do not use in individual glasses, because it can cause frostbite.

- Call NMPDIC if you have questions or concerns about Halloween treats or what to do if makeup gets in the eyes or ingested: 1-800-222-1222.

Pet safety

Keeping pets safe on Halloween doesn't have to be tricky.

Staff with the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals offered tips to help pet parents avoid potential hazards as they celebrate Halloween this October.

"Many of our favorite Halloween traditions could pose a potential threat to our companion animals," said Mindy Bough, Vice President of the ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center. "As you start to make plans for trick-or-treating or Halloween costumes, pet parents should be aware of Halloween-related products and activities that can be potentially dangerous to pets."

Some of the ways animal lovers can keep their pets safe this Halloween include:

- No Sweets. Several popular Halloween treats are toxic to pets. Candies containing the artificial sweetener xylitol can be poisonous to dogs. Even small amounts of xylitol sweetener can cause a sudden drop in blood sugar, which leads to depression, lack of coordination and seizures. "Chocolate, in particular baker's and dark chocolate, can be potentially poisonous to animals, especially dogs," Bough advised. Symptoms of significant chocolate ingestion may include vomiting, diarrhea, hyperactivity, increased thirst and urination, heart rhythm abnormalities, and even seizures.
- Watch out for wrappers. Cats love to play with candy wrappers, but ingesting aluminum foil or cellophane can cause intestinal blockage and induce vomiting.
- Careful with costumes. If dressing a pet for Halloween, be sure the costume does not limit move-

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The permits can be purchased through Dec. 24, or by mail until Dec. 11.

Any live evergreen tree up to ten feet in height can be cut down or dug-up, in the Smokey Bear, Sacramento, or Guadalupe Ranger Districts as designated by a map accompanying the permit. Please be con-

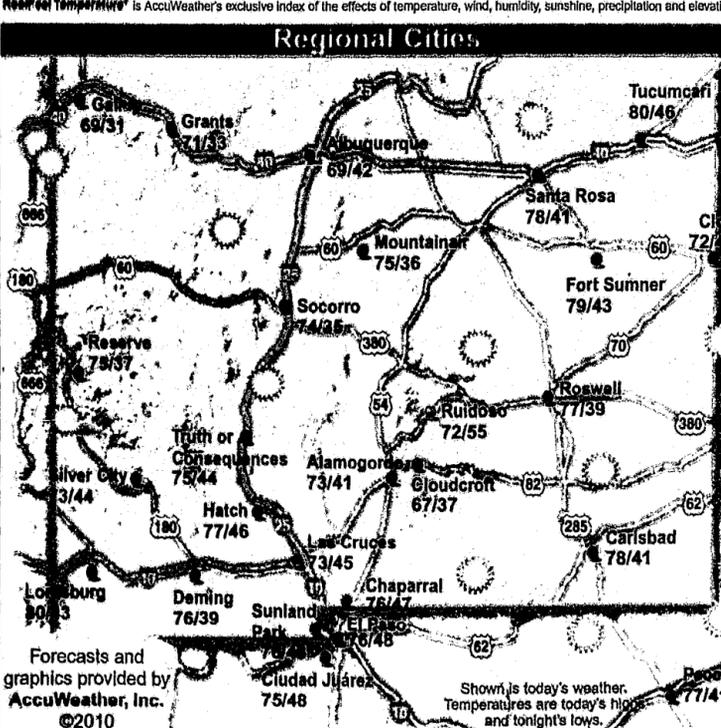
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TODAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
RealFeel 76° Humidity 35% Warmer with brilliant sunshine Wind: WSW 6-12 mph	RealFeel 77° Humidity 24% Abundant sunshine, breezy and warm Wind: WSW 8-16 mph	RealFeel 70° Humidity 24% Mostly sunny and nice Wind: W 8-16 mph	RealFeel 73° Humidity 24% Nice with plenty of sunshine Wind: NNW 6-12 mph	RealFeel 73° Humidity 31% Plenty of sunshine Wind: ESE 4-8 mph	RealFeel 71° Humidity 32% Sunny Wind: SW 7-14 mph	RealFeel 75° Humidity 32% Bright and sunny Wind: SSW 3-6 mph

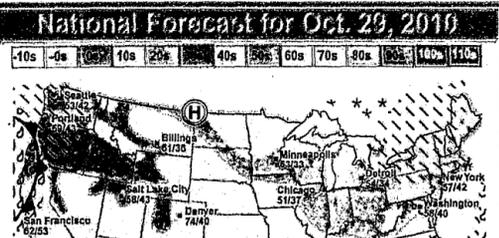


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Ruidoso
Statistics through Wednesday

Temperature:
High/Low 57°/39°
Normal high 63°
Normal low 30°
Record high 76° (1952)
Record low 17° (1997)

Precipitation:
Wednesday 0.00"
Month to date 0.76"
Normal month to date 1.63"
Year to date 14.04"
Normal year to date 19.84"



National Cities

City	Today	Sat.
Abilene	78/45/s	80/53/s
Anchorage	36/24/sf	34/23/pc
Atlanta	68/43/s	69/48/s
Austin	75/30/s	82/45/s
Baltimore	56/38/s	63/38/s
Boston	56/39/pc	54/43/pc
Chicago	51/37/s	59/42/s
Dallas	71/42/s	79/52/s
Denver	74/40/s	81/39/pc
Des Moines	62/39/s	63/39/s
Detroit	54/34/s	59/38/pc
El Paso	76/48/s	84/51/s
Las Vegas	76/57/pc	71/52/pc
Los Angeles	80/58/pc	70/54/pc
Minneapolis	53/33/s	50/34/s
New Orleans	71/50/s	75/58/s
New York City	57/42/s	55/46/s
Philadelphia	58/39/s	59/42/s
Phoenix	88/64/pc	86/59/s
Reno	58/41/pc	57/36/r
San Francisco	62/53/r	63/54/c
San Diego	76/61/pc	69/58/pc
Seattle	53/42/c	53/47/r
Tucson	90/56/s	86/53/s
Tulsa, OK	70/47/s	74/50/s
Wash., DC	58/40/s	63/45/s
Wichita	70/41/s	71/43/s
Yuma	87/63/pc	84/61/s

Regional Cities

City	Today	Sat.
Albuquerque	69/42/s	73/45/s
Artesia	79/49/s	90/52/s
Chama	64/28/s	63/27/s
Clayton	76/44/s	83/48/s
Cloudercroft	67/37/s	68/26/s
Farmington	67/35/s	68/35/s
Hobbs	78/44/s	88/47/s
Los Alamos	65/37/s	66/32/s
Portales	76/43/s	83/46/s
Raton	75/31/s	77/34/s
Red River	60/24/s	59/26/s
Ruidoso	72/55/s	76/52/s
Santa Fe	69/36/s	72/36/s
Silver City	73/44/s	78/44/s
Taos	68/28/s	68/29/s

Mexican Cities

City	Today	Sat.
Acapulco	91/76/s	90/75/pc
Cancun	84/72/r	86/70/c
Ciudad Juarez	75/76/s	82/76/s
Cludad Juarez	75/48/s	84/52/s
Leon	77/48/pc	84/51/s
Mexico, DF	70/46/c	73/48/pc
Monterrey	77/50/s	81/56/s
Morelia	80/53/pc	80/54/pc
Oaxaca	84/67/pc	81/54/pc
Pto. Penasco	86/63/s	86/60/s
Tijuana	78/57/pc	70/52/pc

Sun and Moon

Friday: Sunrise/Sunset 7:18 a.m./6:15 p.m.
Friday: Moonrise/Moonset none/1:15 p.m.

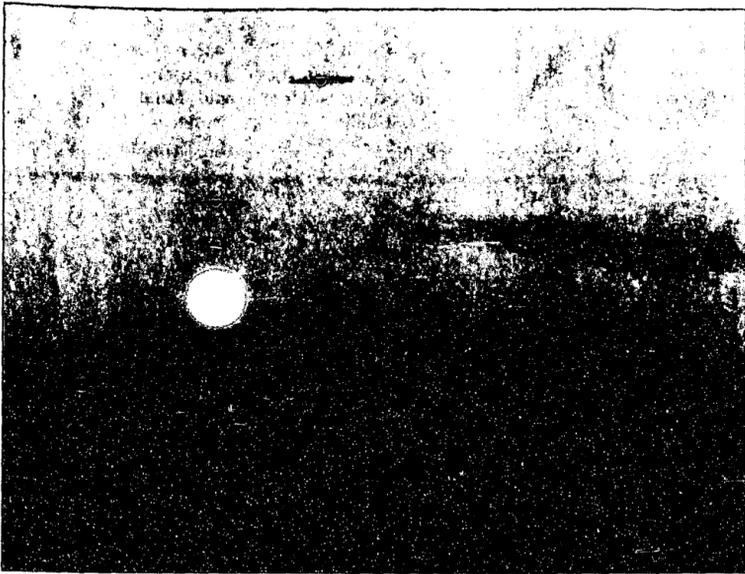
Moon Phases

Last New First Full
Oct 30 Nov 5 Nov 13 Nov 21

Extremes

Wednesday's National High/Low: (For the 48 contiguous states)
High: 95° in Del Rio, TX
Low: 0° in Bodie State Park, CA

Wednesday's World High/Low:
High: 108° in Dongola, Sudan
Low: -42° in Summit Station, Greenland



COURTESY SUSANNA JADE ANGOLANI

The photographer writes: "I caught these crows as they were flying towards the moon [this week]. Folklore has it that seeing three crows like this is very good luck!"

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ment, hearing, sight or ability to breathe, bark or drink. Also check the costume for choking hazards. A smart alternative to dressing a pet from head-to-paw is a simple, festive Halloween bandanna.

Decorations can be dangerous. Re-think putting candles in Jack-O-Lanterns. Pets easily knock them over and could start a fire, and curious kittens are particularly at risk of getting burned by candle

flames. Also take care to prevent pets from having access to wires and cords from holiday decorations. If chewed, a wire can damage your pet's mouth from shards of glass or plastic, or deliver a potentially lethal electrical shock.

Trick-or-treating is for kids, not pets. During trick-or-treating hours, keep pets in a room away from your front door.

"Be sure that your pet has identification tags should he or she accidentally get loose," recommended

Gail Buchwald, Senior Vice President of the ASPCA Onyx and Breezy Shefts Adoption Center. "Halloween brings a flurry of activity with visitors constantly arriving at the door, and pets may escape the safety of their home."

Ensure pets are wearing collars with tags and/or is microchipped.

If a dog or cat accidentally ingests any potentially harmful products and emergency advice is needed, consult a local veterinarian or the ASPCA's Ani-



COURTESY RON PRY

On a bright day in Ruidoso, Baxter and Madison soak up the sun in the back of their owners' pickup. Ron and Dawn Pry, part-time Ruidoso residents based in Houston, stood by to ensure their safety in the temporary playpen, but could see from their pets' expressions how much they enjoyed the weather and gave new meaning to the 1975 movie title "Dog Day Afternoon." Poodle-Bichon Frise mixes, Madison, at right, was found in an abandoned house and was adopted from a Houston shelter. Baxter was adopted later with his brother, Barkley, not shown in the photograph. "My wife and I went to the shelter to adopt a playmate for Madison," Pry said. "Baxter was there along with his brother and both were so attached to each other that we just couldn't separate them. We adopted both, so that's how we became a family of five, spending as much time as possible in beautiful Ruidoso."

mal Poison Control Center at 888-426-4435 for a fee or www.aspc.org/apcc.

Alpine Village

The Alpine Village Water and Sanitation District will hold its regular monthly meeting on Monday, Nov. 1, at 5:30 p.m. in the District's building at 114 Alpine Meadows Trail.

This meeting is being held to conduct regular business for the District, such as paying bills and reporting on the operations of the water system.

Additionally, the agenda may contain discussion regarding committees to address the Conservation and Drought Contingency Plan and Capacity Assessment. All residents of the District are welcome to attend.

Forestry workshop

Ruidoso Village councilors scheduled a workshop on forestry and solid waste service fees at 4:30 p.m., Monday, in Village Hall, 313 Cree Meadows Dr.

Village councilors want to review fees they recently approved, because of several complaints about the amount being too high for larger acreage tracts in town.

Pearce visits

Steve Pearce, the Republican candidate for the 2nd Congressional District, will be in Lincoln County Monday.

The public is invited to drop by for coffee and conversation with the former congressman, who is running to unseat the man who took his place when he ran unsuccessfully for the U.S. Senate two years ago. The event runs from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., at the Republican Party headquarters, 1092 Mechem Dr., Ruidoso.

Styrofoam recycling

It's all about the market place. Recycling that is. And, with no market for Styrofoam, it's not recyclable in Lincoln or Otero Counties. Other types of plastics, grades 1 - 6 except Styrofoam are recyclable if they are clean with no grease, oil or food residue. The recycling symbol on the bottom of the container

indicates the type of plastic. If there is a question about whether a particular piece of non-styrofoam plastic is recyclable, recycle it anyway, except Styrofoam, which goes in the regular trash.

You can help the recycling process by bundling clean plastic containers by placing them in a used plastic or paper bag, sealing the top and placing them in a blue or large green multiproduct outdoor recycling container. Bundling improves the chances

that the individual containers will make it through the heavy equipment sorting process.

Baled plastic is remade into new containers, car parts, carpet and carpet padding and hundreds of other items. Although plastic is evident as roadside litter, plastic only makes up about 4 percent of the waste stream.

For more information, contact Ruidoso Parks and Recreation at 257-5030 or the Solid Waste Authority office at 378-4697.

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OUR OPINION

Election Day still exists, doesn't it?

A few recommendations for Tuesday's voters

In the old days, long ago and far away, the populace voted on Election Day, often the first Tuesday in November.

But as Christmas has ballooned into a December-long "holiday season," and various sports leagues threaten to play ball year-round, the act of voting has expanded for those who can't wait. It's called early voting.

Never mind that a scandal or vital piece of information might surface just days before the election. And never mind that oversight is greater in a ballot process that requires one's physical presence.

In the preceding weeks, most state newspapers, including the largest, have weighed in with their endorsements of candidates and other ballot measures (bond issues, Constitutional amendments). The *Ruidoso News* is going old-school, waiting until today, our final edition before Election Day, to address those who will be going to the polls Tuesday.

We've waited, in part, because it was a slow recovery from the Business Retention Tax "fight" little more than a month ago – and because we like the idea of taking the time to sift through our feelings; we do not blindly pull the lever for either political party.

It is not often the case that the vital issues of the day play out on both the state and national stage. They have during this election season, and they are all rooted to economic concerns.

The economy and all of its ramifications – the national debt, budget deficits, tax policy, the jobless rate, etc. – even extend to such tangential topics as energy legislation, Social Security, healthcare reform, foreign policy and border security.

Under the Bush Administration, Congress, controlled at varying intervals by Republicans and Democrats, spent money like the proverbial drunken sailors on a weekend pass. The deficit rose. Bubbles formed. Obama and the Democrat-controlled Congress are still on a bender. The deficit has increased. Is anyone sober in the halls of power?

Not only are the Dems trying to spend our way out of the recession, but their various policies and pieces of legislation have apparently thus far dampened business expansion and job creation. Perhaps worse, citizens are increasingly pessimistic about the direction of the nation.

Americans are uncomfortable with one-party rule in Washington, and mid-term elections generally reset the balance of power. But if the mood nationally has drifted Republican, the GOP is on notice. It might reclaim one or both houses of Congress next week – likely not both – but now there is another group holding them accountable – the Tea Party, their own kind.

This is their message to politicians of both stripes:

Restore ethics and fiscal sanity, and reduce the size and power of government.

This could be the GOP's last chance to be relevant.

In New Mexico, Democrats have controlled the Governor's office and both houses of the Legislature. Yes, the budget stood up during the oil and gas boom, but with politicians afflicted with Attention Deficit Disorder, few in charge seemed prepared for the inevitable bust.

For this reason, and because we favor outsiders this year versus career politicians, we recommend that you support **Susana Martinez (R)** for governor.

We don't say Diane Denish (D) is a clone of her boss, Gov. Bill Richardson; Denish is her own woman and might make a good head of state. But it's time for new blood in Santa Fe. It's time to try something else.

The other overriding issue in New Mexico is the culture of corruption, from pay-to-play to cronyism through the ranks. We feel **Matt Chandler (R)**, endorsed by the New Mexico Fraternal Order of Police, is a feisty litigator and recommend him for attorney general over Gary King (D).

Because we're generally looking for someone to clean house, we recommend **Bill McCamley (D)** for the Public Regulation Commission, District 5, over Ben Hall (R); and **Stephanie DuBois (D)** in District 2 over career pol Patrick Lyons (R).

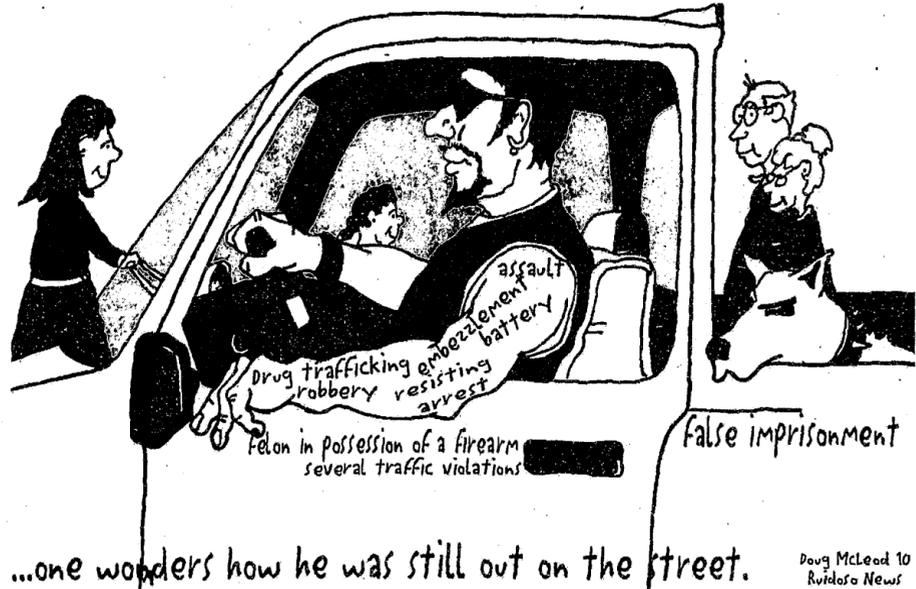
In the NM House of Representatives, District 59, we recommend **Nora Espinoza (R)** over Ellen Wedum (D). We do this with some measure of conflict: Wedum does her homework and grasps the complexity of issues. She is also an advocate for the 2nd Amendment.

Espinoza's headline issue is a defense of traditional marriage. We're not comfortable with legislating morality; we live in an imperfect world with diverse ethical standards that may or may not align with our personal moral compass. But it's not guns or gays we're talking about in the Year of the Economy, and we need proven fiscal conservatives in the Roundhouse.

Likewise, we support **Steve Pearce (R)** for the U.S. House, 2nd District, over Harry Teague (D). We feel time away from office is good for a politician, and Pearce is not the same-ole, same-ole – as long as Otero Mesa can be protected from oil drilling.

Elsewhere, the *Ruidoso News* recommends **Hector Balderas (D)** for State Auditor; **Ray Powell (D)**, a veterinarian and friend of Moon Mountain, for Commissioner of Public Lands; **Jim Schoonover (R)** for State Treasurer; **Dianna Duran (R)** for Secretary of State; and, in keeping with a desire to give some new people a try, **Tony Seno (I)** for Magistrate Judge, Division 1, and **Sal Beltran (D)**, Division 2.

With a rap sheet as long as his arm...



Doug McLeod 10
Ruidoso News

YOUR OPINION

A first responder receives help in kind

To the editor:

FOR MOST OF my adult life I've been a first responder; one of the people called to help citizens with their emergencies.

On the morning of the recent Aspenfest parade I found myself in the unfamiliar position of needing first responders because I was hit by a car while directing traffic on Mechem Drive.

I'm writing this letter to express my thanks to everyone who helped me and my wife Patty during this trying time.

Right after I was hit I was helped by many people who were in the immediate area. They were soon replaced by EMS, fire

and police, and they were soon replaced by staff at the Lincoln County Medical Center.

A couple of days later I was in the care of Suzanne Dennehy and her staff. Everyone was very kind, concerned and thorough. My wife and I were comforted by all of the people who visited me in the emergency room, including officers from my agency and surrounding agencies, the District Attorney's office, my chief, the mayor, the village manager and friends.

Since that day I have received many phone calls, cards, and a beautiful arrangement of flowers from the Chamber of Commerce.

I even received a get-well note from a lady in Arizona whose father was an FBI agent that was killed in the line of duty many years ago. They all meant a lot to us.

My wife and I are still stopped many times a day by citizens in the community wanting to know how I'm doing.

I'm currently back to work on light duty and doing physical therapy three times a week. I look forward to returning to full duty in the near future.

Thank you to everyone who helped us and for being so kind.

David Gallegos
Ruidoso Police Officer

Negative campaigning beyond ridiculous

To the editor:

ALTHOUGH I MAY not always agree with everything Mr. Racine writes, I especially agreed with his editorial this past Friday (10/22/10) titled, "A Tumor Spreads in the Body Politic."

He calls this campaign season for state and national offices, "ugly." I totally agree, Mr. Racine. It seems that each election season gets uglier as those who campaign continue to resort to smear tactics to win a race.

Although I should be used to it by now, I'm still amazed each time I see yet a new advertisement listing an opponent's seemingly horrific life events and choices. It's past being ridiculous. And we continue to just let it happen.

Mr. Racine stated, "By (negative campaigning) the ads reduce their aim to the lowest common denominator of public perception, as if a large segment of the electorate is too uninformed or unin-

terested to know better." It is this "uninterested" segment of voters who simply believe what they see on TV, or read in the mail or from other forms of media without finding out for themselves the truth about each candidate.

Forests of trees have been (in my opinion) completely wasted on the bulk campaign mail all of us have received in the past few months, and I've not seen one piece of mail that is positive or simply sticks to the issues at hand.

But what really amazes me is that we have seen this very negativity in our local races as well. One female candidate seeking election in a Lincoln County race has been known to write (with the intent to publically print) personally disparaging remarks about local public officials. I appreciate learning about differences that our elected officials have.

I further appreciate being able

to decide for myself whom I will support. But I will never support this woman or any person who chooses to play this negativity game in an effort to become elected.

I am grateful that the United States of America gives me the right to vote and I intend to do so next Tuesday. But I encourage all of us to take into account this rampant negativity when selecting a candidate. Consider if she/he has taken the high road and stuck to the issues, or if she/he has decided to jump into the mud-slinging popularity of negative campaigning.

I encourage all of Lincoln County to exercise your right to vote, if you haven't already done so. But join me in voting for those who have decided to not play in the mud.

Again, well done, Mr. Racine.
Sue Hutchison
Captain

Pine Top Car Club show one of the best

To the editor:

AS ECSTATIC AS I was to see the great pictures covering the Fly In held on Oct. 16 in your Wednesday's paper of Oct. 20, I was equally disappointed not to see pictures of the amazing cars that were there co-hosting this great event.

The Pine Top Car Club of Ruidoso has hosted a car show for many years in the summer but this year the airport invited our club to join the Fly In.

For those who were unable to attend, there were over 120 cars on display from the 85 registered participants which included mostly classics but also a few newer vehicles plus the 35 cars displayed by the Pine Top Car Club members.

The participants raved that this was one of the best shows they had ever attended because

of the vast paved parking area; the free food; great classic music; majestic views; perfect weather and all the wonderful family activities offered during the show.

The Pine Top Car Club advertised in *Vamonos!* three weekends with a large colored half page ad so needless to say of our disappointment that the car show did not even register a "blip" on your radar of coverage.

If the *Ruidoso News* would be interested, I have attached great pictures of some of our participants that we would be willing to share with your readers. I can furnish more if you would like.

Denise Dean
President
Pine Top Car Club

Comet Caliente to Ruidoso Pine Top Car Show which was held at the Airport. I would like to say that you have the nicest show that I have been to, as I show my car at a lot of car shows thru out the summer.

Thank you to the car club that organized the show; to the people and VFW that served breakfast and lunch; to all the sponsors for the nice door prizes and the beautiful trophy plaques which I was awarded from Farmers Insurance; and for the beautiful vintage planes that were on display.

If you did not go see this show you missed something special. Hope to see you all next year!

Don Pacheco
Bosque Farms, NM

To the editor:

ON OCT. 16 I took my '65

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JIM KALVELAGE/RUIDOSO NEWS

Charlotte Salazar, whose young son was attacked by a mountain lion on a Sandia Mountain trail in 2008, urges the New Mexico State Game Commission to approve higher increased hunting of cougars and bears during the commission's meeting Thursday at the Inn of the Mountain Gods.

HUNT

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A zone with a goal of stabilizing the bear population would be closed to hunting when the harvest is within 10 percent of the limits.

Game Commissioner Kent Salazar questioned the 742 harvest limit for cougars.

"We talked about science. We talked how you worked hard to come up with that 996. Is this just a reaction to the public input or where did we come up with the science for this 742 number that you just presented us?"

Department Director Tod Stevenson said the wildlife staff looked at the overall population and decreased the numbers slightly.

"But all along we've been saying consistently we've got increased populations of cougars that we've been underestimating statewide," said Stevenson. "You need to understand how many cougars you need to be taking out of that population to keep it stable or to achieve whatever the goals are. That's where those numbers come from and those are science-based numbers."

Stevenson said the department did reduce harvest numbers in the previous several days based on what the public has said.

McClintic said he asked the department for another look to "satisfy some of the complaints of some of the people who thought the

numbers were too high."

He said he also wanted the results to be science-based.

Commissioner M.H. "Dutch" Salmon said the recent adjustments make him wonder about the population estimates used by the department.

The commission Thursday heard from more than 20 people from a crowd of more than 150.

Ruidoso Downs resident Harvey Twite told commissioners of the bear experience his daughter had in the backyard earlier this year.

"I think it's just because there's too many bears. I've lived here almost 12 years now. And over the last five or six I've definitely seen an increase in bears."

Capitan area rancher Preston Stone said his family had an incident with a mountain lion this summer.

"I really hope you listen to your director and the staff that brought this proposal to you. The bears aren't Smokey Bear. The cougars aren't little kittens."

A mother whose 5-year-old son was attacked by a cougar in 2008 while the family hiked a popular trail in the Sandia Mountains said cougar and bear populations have grown.

Annually the hunting number have not been met," said Charlotte Salazar. "We're only continuing to grow cougars."

But Wendy Keefover-Ring, with the WildEarth Guardians, called New Mexico's cougar population

estimate wrong.

"It's arbitrary, capricious and unsupportable. It's a fabrication."

She recommended holding with the status quo.

Mary Katherine Ray, with the Rio Grande Chapter of the Sierra Club, also disagreed with the cougar estimates.

"You're going to kill too many cougars," said Ray. "If you want to believe that the cougar density that is being claimed by the department is correct, you have to believe that New Mexico has just about the highest cougar density of just about any state in North America."

An official with Animal Protection of New Mexico, Phil Carter, urged the commission to use caution with the department's proposals. After making an Open Records request, Carter claimed the department based their population assumptions on a study the department did not possess.

The commission approved the bear and cougar rule changes, including a provision that sets the regulations in place for four years. The rule would, however, be reviewed annually to study the previous year's harvest data and to take public comment for possible adjustments.

While the revised harvest limits were enacted, the game commission adjusted the bear harvest limit to 10 percent in the Sandia Mountains and the Manzano Mountains to maintain a stable population.

50 percent voter turnout expected

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Lincoln County Clerk Rhonda Burrows is hoping for a 50 percent turnout of registered voters for the general election Tuesday.

If early voting and absentee voting totals are any indication, she may reach that goal, Burrows said Wednesday.

By that morning, about 1,900 people had voted early at the Ruidoso Senior Center and her office in Carrizozo and 1,000 absentee ballots were returned. Early voting continues through Saturday at those sites.

"I'm sure we're going to go over 3,000 before election day," she said.

"The early and absentee turnout in past years accounted for about 50 percent of the total turnout of registered voters. I'm hoping get 7,000 to vote, at least 50 percent of the 13,151 of the county's registered voters."

Broken down, the figure represents 3,557 Democrats, 7,324 Republicans and 2,270 who don't declare or are minor party voters.

The ballot includes candidates for the 2nd Congressional District, for governor, lieutenant governor and major state cabinet officials, state representatives, various judges, county officials and depending on the precinct, three open seats on the county commission.

Voters also are being asked to approve four bond issues benefiting senior citizens, libraries, public schools and higher education; and five state constitutional amendments.

Although a special commission meeting is called

for Friday to canvas the vote results, because of a Department of Justice consent decree, the time to receive overseas/military ballots was extended to Nov. 6, and the canvassing board may have to recess the process and reconvene on at 9:30 a.m., Nov. 8.

Burrows said 16 ballots were mailed to voters in the military and to date, five were returned. Although the final canvass might be postponed, the ballots would not be a game changer and unofficial totals in races could be determined election night.

However, she warned that with a write-in candidate for governor and so many absentee ballots, those results may be later than usual.

She also was excited about three minors serving as poll workers this year, Burrows said.

"State statutes changed this year and I think it's a neat thing," she said. "It's interesting to watch the young soak up all the information at the election training schools and their presence invigorates the older poll workers. I hope to expand the number and work with schools to give civics credits to those who participate."

Special meeting

County commissioners will convene at 9:30 a.m., Nov. 5, in the county courthouse in Carrizozo. While the primary purpose of the special meeting is to canvass the general election as required state law, a tentative agenda also was set and includes an update on Greentree Solid Waste by Operations Manager Debra Ingle; a possible agreement to jointly oppose a PNM

rate increase, previously tabled; a presentation on the County Insurance Pool by Steve Kopelman; possible reconsideration of a Wildland-Urban Interface Ordinance; and suspension of a Deputy Sheriff Bargaining Unit Agreement provision for a deputy.

Polling places are open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday, and are listed below. Bring voter registration cards to help smooth the process.

- Precinct 1, Corona Senior Citizens Center, 451 Corona Main, Corona

- 2A, Lincoln County Courthouse, 300 Central Avenue, Carrizozo

- 2B, Nogal Fire Station, Highway 37 & Henley Rd.

- 3, Lincoln County Fair Building, 101 Fairground Rd., Capitan

- 4, Angus Church of the Nazarene, 103 Bonita Park Rd., Angus

- 5, Bonito Volunteer Fire Station, 107 Fire Rd., Alto

- Precincts 6, 7, 8 and 9, Ruidoso Convention Center, 111 Sierra Blanca Dr.

- Precincts 10 and 11, Ruidoso Downs Senior Citizens Center, 26337 U.S. Highway 70, Ruidoso Downs

- 12A, St. Jude Recreation Center, 28110 Peter Hurd Loop, San Patricio

- 12B, Hondo Valley School, 111 Don Pablo Lane, Hondo

- 12C, Capitan Volunteer Fire Station, 217 East Smokey Bear Boulevard

- 13, Carrizozo Municipal School, 800 D Avenue

- 14, Capitan Village Hall, 114 S Lincoln Avenue, Capitan

- Precincts 15 and 16, Ruidoso Convention Center, 111 Sierra Blanca Dr.

RISK

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audit deadline. That designation results in special monitoring by the OSA's Special Investigation Division until the issue is resolved. The village's status will be included in his monthly report to oversight agencies such as the Senate Finance Committee and the Department of Finance and Administration, he wrote.

The designation will be withdrawn once Ruidoso completes and submits any outstanding audits or submits documentation required under a newly enacted tiered system of financial reporting, he wrote.

Balderas told Albom and the council in his letter that the village must submit quarterly written status reports until compliance is achieved with the Audit Act and the Audit Rule. The first report is due Monday and subsequent reports on Feb. 1, May 1, August 1 and Nov. 1, 2011.

"The report must contain a detailed explanation of your agency's efforts to complete and submit its

required financial reports, including an explanation of the current status of any ongoing work, a description of any obstacles encountered by your agency in completing its required reports and a proposed completion date," he wrote.

In an letter responding to the notification, Albom replied to Balderas that the village is "most willing" to provide a report regarding the status of audits that are past due and he asked that the letter serve as the first report.

Albom cited the hardship of the flood on the village's financial condition, but said progress was made in the last year.

Accounting & Consult-

ing Group, LLP currently is auditing two fiscal years and informed the village that that FY 2008-2009 will be completed by December and FY2009-2010 is set to be finished in January.

"We will be submitting two audits to your office for review and approval in a very timely manner," Albom wrote. "It is our plan to be in full compliance with the Audit Act by January 2011, and to continue to be in compliance."

The firm handling the two audits are scheduled to send representative back to the village in November and December to wrap up their field work, said Village Manager Debi Lee.



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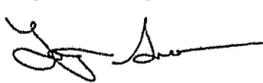
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RUIDOSO NEWS

BUSINESS

County home sales on the rise

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Home sales in Lincoln County rose during the third quarter of this year, soaring 56 percent ahead of the second quarter.

Only five counties in New Mexico reported an increase in the number of sales from the second to the third quarter. The other four were Catron, Cibola, Colfax and Taos counties, reported the Realtors Association of New Mexico.

But the 131 Lincoln County units that sold during July, August and September were almost 11 percent below sales during the same period of 2009.

Across New Mexico home sales fell 18.5 percent from quarter three of 2009 to the third quarter of this year.

The dollar volume of the 131 homes that sold in Lincoln County the previ-

ous three months was \$30.6 million, up substantially from the second quarter's \$19.8 million. But it was 17.7 percent below sales volume during the third quarter of 2009. Across New Mexico the dollar value of all homes sold was 17.2 percent down over the year.

"Americans still believe buying a home is a good financial decision," Steven Anaya, executive vice president of the Realtors Association of New Mexico said in citing the most recent National Association of Realtors Housing Opportunity Pulse Survey.

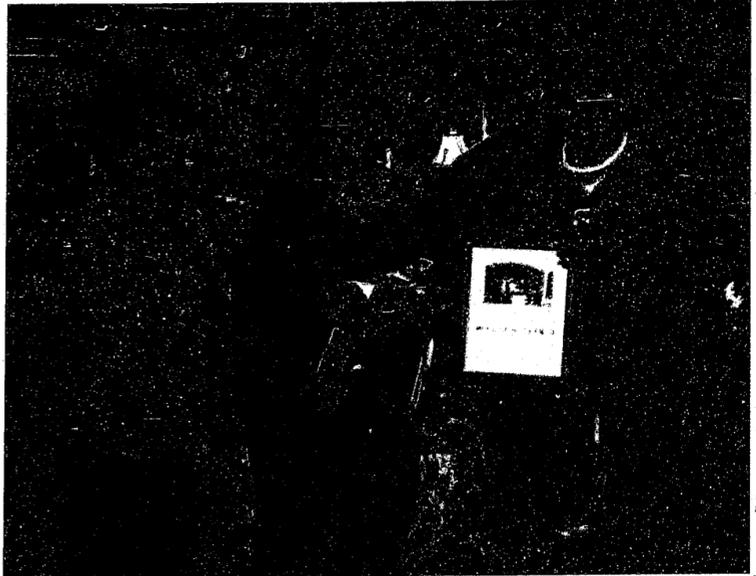
Even with the current uncertainty in the foreclosure arena and the economy in general, signs seem to indicate New Mexico is at least able to see a small light at the end of the recession tunnel, the state Realtors organization said. With an improving econom-

ic outlook, home prices are expected to level and sales numbers are expected to rise.

The most recent median price of a home in Lincoln County was \$214,000, up from \$180,750 in the second quarter of this year, and ahead of the \$200,000 median for the third quarter of 2009. The rise was fueled by double-digit unit sales in the \$200,000 to \$249,999, and the \$250,000 to \$299,999 price ranges, reported the Ruidoso/Lincoln County Association of Realtors. The average days a home was on the market has stayed static at 203 days.

The inventory of homes rose from 1,069 during the second quarter to 1,166 for the third quarter. The most recent quarter represented the largest number of homes on the market since the local real estate board began keeping records.

BLUE GEM



HAROLD OAKES/RUIDOSO NEWS

Ruidoso Valley Greeters president Bev Reynolds shares a laugh with Blue Gem owners Lynn Shenk, Dale Shenk and Bruce Morgan during the Greeters' Ribbon Cutting at the Blue Gem's new location in River Crossing. "We love it," Morgan said of the new store location.

Childcare subsidy to be cut

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A statewide survey of childcare providers, including some in Lincoln County, showed some centers are laying off teachers or cutting their hours to prepare for a drop in the state childcare reimbursement rate proposed by New Mexico's Children, Youth and Families Department.

The childcare subsidy is scheduled to be cut by eight percent on Nov. 1 because of a budget shortfall.

The survey, conducted by the Childcare Providers

Union, the American Federation of Teachers, and the OLE Working Parents Association, said 22 percent of childcare centers that have contracts with CYFD had already laid off some teachers this month in anticipation of the funding cuts.

Teacher hours were trimmed as much as 50 percent by 61 percent of centers with CYFD contracts.

The survey used input from centers in 17 counties, including Lincoln County and Otero County. The survey tapped 82 childcare

centers out of 636 statewide. Most of the surveyed centers have contracts with CYFD to provide the subsidized care.

Initially some 5,000 families in New Mexico were notified that their childcare subsidies were being eliminated. But Gov. Bill Richardson earlier this month delivered \$2 million from his discretionary fund to assist the childcare subsidy until the 2011 legislative session.

The childcare assistance program helps to cover the cost of daycare for low-income working families.

Tally resigns as tourism chief

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Ruidoso's first tourism director has submitted his resignation, which will take effect on Oct. 31.

"I have gotten a great offer but I can't announce it yet," said Steve Tally, who has been the village's tourism chief for more than three-and-a-half years.

Tally said his new employment would keep him in the Ruidoso area.

"I truly enjoyed working with Steve," said Ruidoso

Village Manager Debi Lee. "He was very creative and passionate about tourism in Ruidoso and always worked hard to make a difference. He was a pleasure to work with."

In the resignation letter, Tally said he was willing to train his replacement for a reasonable amount of time after Oct. 31 to help with a smooth transition.

"His replacement will be handled through the request for proposal process which is currently in progress," Lee said. "It

is our intent to establish an evaluation committee in the next week to evaluate proposals so that we can move as quickly as possible. We hope to have someone selected by the end of the calendar year."

The village created the tourism director's position four years ago. The office, under Tally, was up and running in March 2007. Over the past three years the office had assumed more Ruidoso promotion duties that had been previously handled by outside firms.

Mescalero receives funding

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More affordable housing will come to the Mescalero Apache Reservation.

New Mexico has awarded Mescalero \$340,702 from Tribal Infrastructure Fund for the Windy Point Development. The 27 new duplex units will serve low-income elderly residents.

"This is certainly great news for our housing authority, our tribe and all tribal members who will benefit greatly from this badly needed project," said Mescalero Apache President Mark Chino. "Housing, particularly affordable housing, has always been a priority for our tribal council. We are thankful to the state of New Mexico, the Indian Affairs Department and the Tribal Infrastructure Board for this first TIF

award to the Mescalero Apache Tribe."

The new project is seen as a way to help alleviating an acute housing shortage on the reservation.

The award was part of nearly \$2.2 million for tribal infrastructure around New Mexico.

"With these awards, 80 tribal infrastructure projects have now been funded benefiting 21 tribes, nations and pueblos in New Mexico," said Secretary of Indian Affairs Alvin Warren. "The TIF is one example of how good government policy and the wise allocation of resources can benefit all New Mexicans."

In 2005, Governor Bill Richardson and the state legislature created the Tribal Infrastructure Fund Act to provide capital outlay funding for needed infrastructure projects in Indian

Country.

Earlier this year, a \$2.5 million Indian Housing Block Grant was awarded to the Mescalero Apache Housing Authority for development of affordable housing.

In August 2009, the E. Sah'-Din'-Dii community of 30 single-family homes was dedicated on the reservation. The project, three years in the making, was funded in part by \$5.8 million in Low Income Housing Tax Credits from the New Mexico Mortgage Finance Authority and a \$1 million loan from the New Mexico Finance Authority. Other funding sources, including money from the tribe, went into the project of so-called "green" housing. At the time, tribal officials said Mescalero has had a problem with homelessness and overcrowded housing.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Oakes named

Ruidoso Downs has joined other local governments in showing an interest in the film industry. The city has signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the New Mexico Film Office establishing a film liaison for the city. Resident Harold Oakes was named Ruidoso Downs' film liaison.

City Attorney H. John Underwood said he reviewed the MOU to determine the legal implications to Ruidoso Downs.

"I can just see it, as basically a memorandum where this individual acts as our

liaison to the (state) film office. There are no legal problems or legal liabilities or expenses associated with it."

The agreement sets policies for local film liaisons to work with the film office.

City Councilor Gary Williams requested that Oakes be invited to a city council meeting to explain what is expected.

Unemployment rate

Lincoln County's unemployment rate for September was unchanged from the August level of 6 percent.

While the number of people employed in the county

fell by 466, to 10,533, the size of the labor force also dropped by 502.

The 6 percent jobless rate was higher than September 2009 when the level was 5.3 percent.

The September unemployment rate in Otero County was set at 7.1 percent by the New Mexico Department of Workforce Solutions. That was an improvement from August's 7.5 percent. In September 2009 the rate had been 6.9 percent.

The seasonally adjusted out-of-work rate for New Mexico was 8 percent last month, down from August's 8.4 percent. A year ago the statewide unemployment rate had been 7.6 percent.

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Census mail rate low

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The 2010 Census mail participation rate across Lincoln County was 36 percent, the second-lowest of New Mexico's 33 counties. Catron County had the worst mail participation rate at 23 percent. But a census official said the low rate is normal in areas with vacation homes or part-time residents.

The New Mexico rate was 65 percent, compared with 62 percent 10 years ago. The national level was 74 percent, up from 67 percent in 2000.

The final mail participation rate is the percent of households that filled out and returned the U.S. Census questionnaires that were mailed in March or were later left hanging on their door.

In Ruidoso, 31 percent of households mailed back their completed questionnaires. Ruidoso Downs had a 37 percent participation rate. Corona was at 48 percent, Carrizozo 49 percent and Capitan 54 percent.

In Otero County, the village of Cloudcroft's rate was 14 percent.

The best county mail back rate in New Mexico, 84 percent, was in Los Alamos County. Bernalillo County was next at 73 percent. Otero County had a 53 percent participation rate.

In reality, the real participation rate around Lincoln County was higher, said the U.S. Census Bureau, due to the seasonal nature of dwellings in the area.

"Doug Wayland, with the Denver Regional Census

Office, said census workers went to homes where the mailed questionnaires were not returned. They also hand delivered the census questions to homes that had post office box numbers for an address.

"They make six attempts to get a response from a household," Wayland said. "But they also are able to identify 'undeliverables,' those that are seasonal. If it's a community with a lot of seasonal homes, they'll talk to an authoritative person in that area, whether it's a building manager or a neighbor, whatever. They will identify those as 'undeliverables' or seasonal housing."

Wayland said that is a primary reason that locations like the Ruidoso area has such low response rates.

A "quality program" used by the U.S. Census Bureau will follow up said Wayland.

"They look for things that don't compute, or if there is some overlapping. The bottom line is that we are mandated to count everyone once and where they live.

"If there is an area where there is a lot of seasonal housing they may do some checks to make sure that we get that accurate count."

In 2000, Lincoln County's mail response rate was 39 percent. Within the county, Capitan had a 50 percent rate in 2000. Carrizozo was 53 percent, Corona 56 percent, Ruidoso 37 percent and Ruidoso Downs 43 percent.

A Ruidoso News exclusive

Transit hires new driver

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A replacement full-time Lincoln County Transit driver was approved for hire by Ruidoso Downs city councilors.

Emma Martinez had been a part-time driver since June 15 for the operation, overseen by the city. Full-time status will provide health insurance and other city-provided benefits.

Following the approval Monday, Downs resident Wayne Williams recommended the council rethink the full-time position.

"I would recommend that you reconsider that due to the possibility of Lincoln County not helping us funding the Lincoln County Transit, and maybe

even Ruidoso is cutting back, which leaves us with a bigger cut of the pie," Williams said. "In that case, if the Lincoln County Transit is disposed of because the burden is too heavy for Ruidoso Downs, we're stuck with another full-time employee that becomes automatically a Ruidoso Downs employee."

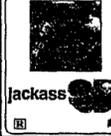
The two-year-old public transportation operation is largely funded through federal transportation grants. But a local match is required. Ruidoso Downs, Ruidoso and Lincoln County have each provided one-third of the local match in the past. Lincoln County commissioners last month, however, pulled support from the system due to low ridership beyond Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs.



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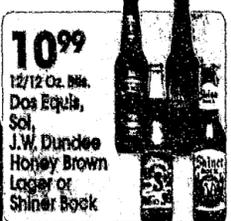
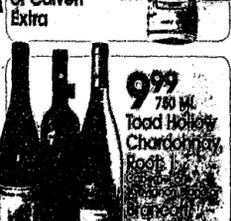
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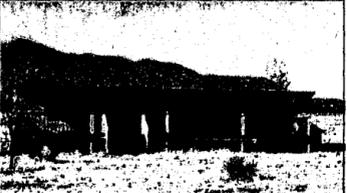
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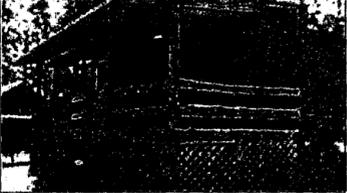
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Warriors to face No. 1

RHS to play Lovington Friday; Carrizozo, Capitan locked in battle; Chiefs in tough one

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Friday, RHS will lock horns at Horton Stadium with the No. 1 3A team in the state — Lovington.

This will be the first district clash of the season for Ruidoso.

At the same time, Capitan and Carrizozo will suit up for battle at Tigers Stadium in their yearly rivalry.

Mescalero, coming off their big win Friday in double OT against Carrizozo, will entertain a solid Mesilla Valley squad that has a four-game win streak going.

The Hondo Eagles, now in the first round of state play, will host Valley Christian Academy.

Every game will be hard-fought because of

their importance.

Ruidoso/Lovington

For the Warriors this will be the game of the year. The Lovington Wildcats come to Ruidoso Friday with a 7-1 overall record, are 1-0 in district after thrashing Portales last Friday, 61-22, and are ranked No.1 in the state in 3A. And for all intents and purposes this contest will be for the district title and playoff seeding.

The Wildcats won the state championship last year for the 16th time and were runners-up the season before. It looks as though it's up to RHS to stop them. Last year, the Wildcats defeated Ruidoso, 65-0.

One of the keys of the game will be how well the Ruidoso defense is able to

stop senior quarterback, Jacob Jameson. This is his third year as the signal caller and he runs the offense like the veteran he is. The RHS defensemen must also contain the Lovington running backs.

Thus far, the only game they've lost was their season opener aerial battle at Artesia, 63-49.

The Wildcats are able to put the ball in the end zone in two or three plays and Ruidoso's offense will have to keep up with them score for score if they expect to have any chance at all.

Reportedly, Ruidoso head coach Kief Johnson and his staff have something special "cooked up" for the visiting Wildcats to slow them down.

"Our kids are excited about this game with Lovington," Johnson said. "The defensive line of Daniel Salazar, Clayton Blaylock, Mathew Carr, Warren McCracken and Jacob Rodriguez are looking forward to containing



Shown is Lovington's new indoor 40-yard practice facility.

CODY PATTERSON/FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

the Wildcats. Safety Brendan Flack is eager to face off with a top-ranked passing team.

"Offenses win games but defenses win champi-

onships. This game will be a big test for our defense but if they can hold the Wildcats down to an acceptable offensive output Ruidoso could come out on

top." Lovington has the largest student enrollment in 3A — pushing 900 kids.

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Baseball, firefighters and practicalities

On the way out East I was stunned to see backscatter radiation naked, full body scanners at El Paso Airport. I politely refused to allow myself or my 12-year-old son to go through the scan and opted for a thorough pat down after going through the old walk thru scan.

The TSA officer told me that the backscatter radiation was the same amount that you have in your microwave oven.

I said I would never go inside my microwave oven to find out. He then said it was the same radiation emitted from a TV. I said, "prove it." I told him I read that it can cause cancer.

We then held up the line for 20 minutes while we were patted down and they rummaged

through my CPAP machine to check for contraband and explosives.

The TSA officer told me he only used the back of his palm to check my son's and my testicles. Comforting.

Later I spoke to a man who told me that he endured it because we must prevent terrorism. I said I was vaguely familiar with box cutters, hiding in caves, and the World Trade Center.

In New York I was appraised by my 56-year-old friend that his ex-fiancé said she would crash the wedding.

Being a former cop I was given my post at the rear of the chapel and I was on foot patrol during the reception. I was thinking of using a rear naked

choke on her to quietly escort her out, but she called and told the groom she had checked herself into a psychiatric hospital. The question I had was when did he officially break up with his ex, and at 56 why was he getting married in the first place?

On Thursday the three of us, my son and his Uncle Thomas drove to Brooklyn. After viewing an impressive Egyptian art collection at the Brooklyn Museum, I drove down Eastern Parkway and turned onto Ralph Avenue.

This was where it all began for me 27 years ago as a rookie cop in the city's highest crime neighborhood, the infamous Bedford Stuyvesant, a predominantly poor Afro-American neighborhood. I pointed out the former sites of a restaurant where I was food poisoned. They didn't like cops in those

days. My son remarked at the beautiful Brownstone homes that lined the area that had long since fallen into decay.

We went inside my former prechort and we were given a tour by a black female officer. She showed me her face and told us that since 9-11 she has been losing the pigment on her cheeks.

It was quite noticeable. She said another friend who spent considerable time at Ground Zero has nose cancer and the entire nasal system has had to be reconstructed.

She told me that crime is up citywide, and police hirings were on standby due to budget cuts. Fighting crime is like stopping the tide. Once the economy falters the floodgates open and crime proliferates.

It brought me back to the Yankees. Just as summer gives

way to fall and winter gives way to spring it is all about death and renewal. Jeter, A-Rod, Posada, Papi, and Rivera are all in their late 30s and approaching 40.

The Yanks slumped the last few months of the season and the aging Jeter who is now an overly paid singles hitter worked hard just to bring his average up to .270.

The catcher, Posada will DEB next year and A-Rod with his bad hip will never be a clutch player. What would the former Yankees want, the lefty George Stebbins say? He probably would fire them all and bring in new blood.

I watched the final game with a firefighter friend at a German restaurant's blas garden surrounded by forty N.Y.F.D. firefighters.

DEMENT, page 2B

Aggies hope to find offensive production

TEDDY FEINBERG
Las Cruces Sun-News

LAS CRUCES — From a spectator's standpoint, the New Mexico State Aggie offense appears better than a season ago.

From a production standpoint, however, they're just barely better.

Hence, the numbers: in 2009, the team averaged 11.5 points per game, and 229.3 yards of offense.

This year things are up, but only slightly. The Aggies are averaging 12.4 points per game and 269.4

yards of offense.

"That was something I was a little concerned with coming into the season. ... and I still feel this way," NMSU head coach DeWayne Walker said.

"I knew we'd be a better team. I know we're making strides. But the tough part is when you're better and it doesn't show in your record."

Or in the statistics.

There's no denying that the Aggie offense has greater quick-strike capability than a season ago.

The team throws the

ball downfield more frequently and looks to get its running backs in the open field.

But the Aggies are still struggling to put the full gameplan together on Saturdays.

Last weekend against the University of Idaho was an example. Running back Kenny Turner ran well — 18 carries for 77 yards — and tight end Kyle Nelson made plays downfield in the passing game — two catches for 48 yards, along with a 17-yard touchdown grab.

But, outside of that, the unit was inconsistent.

Quarterback Matt Christian completed just 8-of-29 pass attempts on the afternoon for 134 yards.

He wasn't helped by his receivers, who didn't get open enough and suffered some dropped balls during the course of the contest.

And, while Turner ran well, he was stuffed on two fourth-down plays in the second half — one coming on the goal-line.

Walker said one of the

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OUTLOOK

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The Wildcats have a new (this year) indoor, 40-yard practice facility with blue turf which matches their stadium.

Additionally, they have remodeled the Urlacher training facilities into new locker rooms, coaches offices and a larger weight room.

Although the Warriors come into this contest a "little banged up," they will have to dig down and put their "game face" on.

It will be the biggest test they will face this year and it will be the last regular season home game for the hometown boys.

"The players are not going into this battle looking to do their best, they're looking to win the game and knock off the No. 1 team," Johnson concluded.

Capitan/Carrizozo

Here we have two teams that are fighting the "injury blues." The Grizzlies lost quarterback Marshall Ventura to a hamstring injury in the third quarter of last Friday's bruising tilt with

Mescalero. "When one player goes down we have to move three other athletes around," Carrizozo head coach Pat Ventura said. "To beat Capitan we will have to play smart, control the clock and stop them on punts and kickoffs."

Hopefully, we'll keep our mistakes to minimum and cause some turnovers.

"Anyone can win this game. It's 85 percent mental. The way you practice is the way you're going to play the game and by game-time I'm optimistic we will have had some good practice time in. Either way, we'll do the best we can with what we have."

Capitan and Carrizozo come into this game with identical 3-5 overall records but the Grizzlies are 1-2 in district while the Tigers are 2-1 in D3-1A.

Both teams are coming off of losses last Friday - 00Capitan lost to visiting Tornillo, 28-14, and the Grizzlies lost a heartbreaker to the Chiefs in double overtime, 40-34.

This game could come down to which squad is the maddest and out for blood.

Last year, the Tigers journeyed to Zozoland and got upset ... or maybe lost

is a better word. That could be a factor if the memories of youth weren't so fleeting.

Mescalero/Mesilla

The Apache Chiefs are on a high like they've never been. Friday, they entertain powerhouse Mesilla Valley at 7 p.m. Mescalero comes into this game with a 4-4 overall record and is 2-1 in D3-1A.

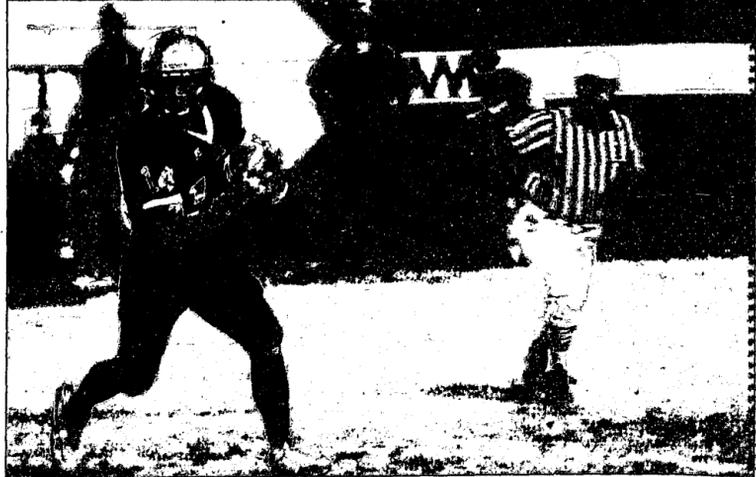
They've never had it so good - literally. And they're currently on a three game win streak.

District rival, Mesilla Valley, is 6-2, 3-0. OK, so the Sonblazers are tough - they beat Carrizozo, 48-20. But the Chiefs get better with every game they play and head coach Godfrey Cordova gives them added spark.

And the Chiefs are healthy. Anything could happen here.

"Mesilla Valley has some rangy kids and they dress out about 30 players," Cordova said. "They're a 'finesse' team. They like to spread people out and then run through the spaces."

"We've got our hands full, no doubt about it but we're going to 'peel their ears back' and go at them. Maybe it will be cold with blowing winds like last



ALEXANDER MAZON/FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Ruidoso's quarterback Jesse Scarafioti will be under pressure to keep pace with Lovington offense.

Friday. "Then the Sonblazers will have to deal with our environment."

Hondo/Valley Christian

Both, the Hondo Eagles and Valley Christian Academy are 4-4 and 3-2 in D2-6-Man. Earlier, on Oct. 8, the Eagles traveled to the lair of the Lions and lost, 56-38.

That was a surprise to some. As it turned out, Hondo lost three players to sickness and injury.

For Friday's 6:30 p.m. game at Chavez Field all

are back in the fold but one. Just in time for state play.

Wednesday, the coaches and players reviewed the film of their loss to Valley Christian.

"We're looking at our mistakes and trying to fix them," Hondo head coach Brandon Devine said at the time. "We hope to be better prepared than we were the last time we played them. The boys who were sick and injured the last time around are excited to have this opportunity. We're thrilled to be in the playoffs

and hosting this game." In District-2 there was a three-way tie, and due to the point system, the Lions came out on top of Elida and Hondo.

In state play there was a four-way tie and because of the added point system Hondo wound up on the top of the heap over Valley Christian, Elida and San Jon and gets to host the Lions.

While the Eagles and the Lions battle it out Friday, Elida will be going at it tooth-and-nail at Lake Arthur.

DEMENT

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They watched the game with a liter stein of Spaten in their hands and the mood was jovial. It was a

forgone conclusion on these firefighter's minds that the Yanks would ultimately lose. Their mood was not in the least dire.

We then spoke about the City.

I was told that many of their friends had lost their

jobs and these firefighters said they had no plans on retiring. They simply had it too good.

I watched people at the airport and in the city fiddling with their cell phones, text messaging, and playing with their

gadgets, like automatons going to work. Perhaps they are more like monkeys that are Pavlovian conditioned.

My backscatter radiation experience is testament to this. We willingly acquiesce to authority and

we forego critical thinking and allow others to think and decide what is best for us.

Just like the seasons, life is about birth, death and renewal. Baseball exemplifies life in this regard. For everyone who

believes the Yankees will always win, who thinks life will remain static, are in for a shock. Perhaps we can learn from my pragmatic firefighter friends to practice critical thinking but also to enjoy life along the way.

AGGIES

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team's hopes this week is to get the ball to its playmakers more, as in Turner, fellow running back Seth Smith, Nelson and return man/wide receiver Taveon Rogers.

Walker also said the team needs to cash in on scoring chances when they are present.

"I think we have to take some responsibility as coaches," he said. "We're going to have to clean up our execution on offense. And we need to take advantage of our opportunities. Once we can start taking advantage of our opportunities on offense and we can put together four good quarters of defense, now you have a football team."

Rogers, who has shown big-play ability in the kick-return game during the year, said he expects to be a greater part of the offensive

gameplan this weekend against San Jose State.

The Aggies host the Spartans on Saturday at 2 p.m.

"I think I can do all things," he said. "I'm gonna go out there and try to be an impact player, like I am on kickoff return."

He won't get anywhere if the Aggies don't clean up their penalty problems. The team was flagged 12 times for 99 yards last week, 11 of those violations came in the first half. One penalty, an illegal shift on the offense, negated a Christian-to-Turner touchdown pass in the second quarter.

"More consistency. No penalties," center Matt Grady said of correcting the team's offensive problems. "We can't shoot ourselves in the foot with off-sides and holding calls."

Moving the ball, getting first downs and winning the field position battle would also go a long way. And it would help a defense surrendering more than 38

points per game. Last week, NMSU's first offensive first down came during the opening possession of the second quarter, with the team already down 17-0.

"That's field position and field position is critical," Walker said. "I just know we can't get the ball on the 20, and then get a couple penalties and now the ball's on the 5. ... Now we lose all those yards when we punt and, again, ... Now the field position becomes critical. ... (and the) defense to play stellar defense to try and keep (the opposition) out of the end zone. All of it ties together."

That's the essence of Walker's vision as NMSU hits the homestretch of its schedule - for the Aggies to play as a team during the final five weeks of the season.

"I can see a glimpse of really having an idea of what a good football team at New Mexico State is going to look like when we can just fire on all cylin-

ders," the head coach said. "That's what we're continuing to try and establish."

House to Senior Bowl

New Mexico State Aggie cornerback Davon House has been invited to participate in the 2011 Senior Bowl, in Mobile, Ala.

The event is scheduled for Jan., 29, 2011 at Ladd-Peebles Stadium and will be televised on the NFL Network.

"This is a great honor to be invited to the Senior Bowl," House said. "Since I arrived at NM State this has been one of my goals. It kind of seems surreal right now because I've seen some great football players play in this game. I'm just happy for the opportunity."

House becomes the fifth player in school history to be named to the Senior Bowl. Other Aggies to have played in the game are Jim Bohl (1967), Jim Germany (1975), Walt Williams (1977) and Andre Anderson (1978).

In 2010, the 6-foot, 182-

pound House has tallied 36 tackles, an interception, a forced fumble and a team-leading six pass breakups. He ranks third in the WAC and 34th in the country in passes defended.

The Senior Bowl is widely considered football's premier pre-draft event, annually featuring the country's best senior collegiate football stars and top NFL Draft prospects on teams representing the North and South. Teams are led by NFL coaching staffs.

Quick hits

• Defensive tackle Tommy Stuart has been ruled out for the season after suffering a right knee injury against Idaho.

Stuart, who came to NMSU from Ventura College during this past off-season, has come on lately for the Aggies. On the year, he's recorded 17 tackles - two for a loss - a pass breakup and a blocked kick.

• While the Aggies rank No. 119 in nation - second

to last - in scoring offense, NMSU's opponent this weekend, San Jose State, comes in at No. 120.

NMSU is scoring 12.4 points per game while the Spartans come in at exactly 10 per contest.

Game time is scheduled for 2 p.m. on Saturday at Aggie Memorial Stadium.

• NMSU wide receiver Taveon Rogers ranks second in the WAC and 16th in the nation, averaging 27.6 yards per kickoff return on the season.

• The Aggie offensive line, ravaged by injuries this season, will start the following players this week: Davonte Wallace (left tackle), Dejuan Yates (left guard), Mike Grady (center), Maveu Heimuli (right guard) and Aundre McGaskey (right tackle).

The Aggies have lost projected starters Dwayne Barton, right tackle (back injury); Siouli Fakalata, guard (leg); and Robert Rodriguez, guard (leg) for prolonged periods of time due to injuries.

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Downs joins PNM group formed over rate hike request

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With 14 local governments in southern New Mexico asked to join in the battle over a more than 21 percent PNM rate hike, Ruidoso Downs signed onto an agreement Monday but not without changes.

City Attorney H. John Underwood recommended five amendments to a memorandum of cooperative agreement with the municipalities of Alamogordo, Bayard, Deming, Hurley, Ruidoso, Lordsburg, Santa Clara and Silver City, as well as the counties of Grant, Hidalgo, Luna, Lincoln and Otero.

Underwood said he had no problem with entering into the cooperative agreement, but his suggested changes were guided by concerns of councilors voiced earlier this month about funding the effort. Underwood recommended additional wording that he called reasonable.

"For any funding for which the city would be responsible, it has to come back to the city, for the city councilors to approve ... so even if our representative was there (a meeting of the LGAG) and voted in favor of that, if it's not been approved by the city council then that would not be considered approved as a legal

expenditure."

Underwood took issue with agreement provisions that meetings of the LGAG would not be subject to the New Mexico Open Meetings Act and records of the organization would not be considered public records.

"It seems vague to me and I would prefer that we amend that to say that meetings of this group shall be subject to the Open Meetings Act if applicable," Underwood said. "It seems like to me that if you're going to have meetings that expend public monies that it should be subject to the Open Meeting Act, if and when applicable. And the same thing as to the Public

Records Act."

The final adjustment addressed LGAG members that might negotiate local rate accommodations with PNM. The agreement prohibits such action that "will be prejudicial to the interests of the other members of the LGAG."

Who determines what is prejudicial was questioned by Underwood.

"I understand that one municipality, because they have more power (needs) than the others, they might be offered some sort of a deal. But if we're a group, we're a group."

Underwood said if any municipality or county in the LGAG were to indepen-

dently strike a rate deal with PNM, then the deal should be approved by the group or the member should resign.

Underwood said he was unaware if all 13 potential LGAG members had approved the proposed agreement. He noted reports that Ruidoso made adjustments to the cooperative agreement and that Lincoln County did not approve it over money concerns.

The council approved the agreement with the changes, 3-1, with Councilor Tommy Hood opposed.

"If any of these other municipalities approve this and the wording is exactly as stated, how does it affect

us and our approval (with amendments)?" Councilor Gary Williams asked.

Underwood said it appeared not everyone was on the same page when the agreement was drafted.

"So I would expect that what will happen is the various documents, as approved, disapproved or amended, will be sent back to this group and you will be the only signatory to this particular document. I would expect that the mayor and that group of mayors would get together again and agree on a revised document very similar to what is approved tonight. It's kind of a funny way to negotiate."

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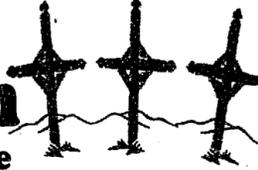
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Thanks to caring humans, Jade gets a new lease on life

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When the owner of a rental unit detected an odor coming from the apartment and the occupant hadn't been around for days, he entered to find the source.

Inside Darrel Walker and Lynn Tanner from Tanner Traditions discovered Jade, a severely underweight, apparently starving, Husky mix with no visible food or water, according to Ruidoso Animal Control and Code Enforcement Officer Chris Eisenberg.

"When I first came in she was so scared, she wanted to attack me, but I sat down and with some food called to her and she got friendly real quick," Walker said. "She's a sweetie."

Jade's condition indicated she had been neglected for more than four or five days.

Tanner said they talked to Nancy Smith at Ruidoso Animal Clinic and she advised them not to give Jade too much water or food all at one time. "We nursed her along a few hours until animal control arrived," he said.

Eisenberg transported Jade to the animal shelter operated by the Humane Society of Lincoln County and since she arrived there Oct. 8, Jade has gained 4.5 pounds and now weighs in at 18.6 pounds.

"She probably would have weighed even less when she was brought in except she had gotten hold



of water and tortillas in the refrigerator," said Shelter Manager Emily Parker. "As for her personality, she doesn't seem affected emotionally by all she's been through. She's very outgoing, full of energy and life. She's great with other dogs."

The only treatment she needed besides food and water was for fleas and that was handled the day she came into the shelter, Parker said. Jade is a young adult, about 10 months to 1 1/2 years old and has no special needs except to add weight before she is spayed. Then Jade will be put up for adoption.

Eisenberg said once contacted, the owner surrendered the animal to the shelter



"She was left in an apartment and (the owner) went out of town," Eisenberg said, referring to his case report. "He said he left water and food, but none was found. It was reported by the owner of the apartment. He smelled the odor and in the lease, he can go into the apartment at any

time when he suspects a problem."

The owner was cited for dog neglect, the officer said.

"If a pet owner is going out of town, it is up to them to have the animal taken care of by friends or a boarding kennel," he said.

Parker added that officials with the Humane

Society understand that circumstances beyond an owner's control can arise, "But abandonment and animal neglect never are acceptable," she said. "The

Humane Society is here to help."

For more information about Jade or other adoptable pets at the shelter, call 257-9841.

'Halloween Adoption Funhouse'

Kitty City and the newly formed animal welfare organization No Kill New Mexico will present a "Halloween Adoption Funhouse," featuring costumed puppies and kittens, and offering fun and games for children of all ages.

The event is set for 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday, at the White Sands Mall in Alamogordo, south of the fountain in front of the GNC.

"Adopting a new pet should be fun," said Nancy Berg, with No Kill New Mexico and Kitty City. "We have just about every blend of puppy you can imagine, from labs to pit bulls, Chi-Weenies to shepherds. They are all happy, healthy, and vaccinated, and have been rescued from at-risk situations. We want to ensure that they live long, secure and happy lives with responsible, loving guardians, who we hope to meet Saturday."

Ed Denton, director of Kitty City, created all the photo gifts. Also available for sale is the book featuring the colorfully illustrated story of Kitty City, as well as other rescue cat tales, *Treasure Cat Tales*.

All sales benefit Kitty City, a 501c3 rescue orga-



"Stallings" and "Racine" are up for adoption Saturday.

nization for house cats. Kitty City will soon be featured on Animal Planet's new series, "Must Love Cats," debuting in January 2011.

The Kitty City/ No Kill New Mexico Halloween Adoption Funhouse is open to all animal lovers, who will have the opportunity to sign up for the low-cost spay-neuter program during the event.

Adoption fees of puppies and kittens include Halloween costumes worn by each adopted pet, spay-neuter deposits if they are too young for surgeries, vaccinations, worming and medical records. All adoptions are subject to home safety-checks and veterinarian recommendations.

For more, check out the stories of puppy rescues on Facebook at 17 Puppies Tragedies to Triumphs. Or go to www.kittycitynm.com.

Hearing aid provider with Ruidoso office goes out of business; customers angry

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An Albuquerque-based hearing aid provider that had an office in Ruidoso

has gone out of business. Some of the customers of Southwest Hearing Associates said they are angry because they had paid for hearing aids and received

poor service or nonexistent devices.

The firm is owned by Shane Jaramillo of Albuquerque, according to business registration information.

"Unfortunately I have had some hard times economically," Jaramillo said Tuesday.

A posting on the Albuquerque office door said the economic downturn forced the company to shut down. The message offered an apology.

"I am right now in the middle of working with a

very large company to take over our customers and service them and to get them the batteries they need," said Jaramillo by phone. "We are negotiating. I think we will reach a confirmation in the next three or four days."

Jaramillo, who declined to name the company he said he was talking with, noted the firm had been in business for more than 30 years.

He also said he has assured his customers their concerns will be addressed.

The New Mexico Attorney General's office said they recently received a complaint about Southwest Hearing Associates. It had to do with alleged advertising misrepresentation, said

Lynn Southard, deputy director of communications in the office.

The Better Business Bureau of New Mexico and southwest Colorado also reported that two complaints had been lodged with them in October.

"It appears they are out of business," an official with the BBB told the Ruidoso News.

The agency said they were unable to make contact with the company.

"We need to find out if they filed bankruptcy. If they did, people can file a claim," said Gena Coldwell, executive assistant with the BBB of the Southwest. "People could also go after him directly."

Jack Watson, a Ruidoso

resident, said he and other customers in the Ruidoso area are angry and many have called the district attorney. The 12th Judicial District Attorney's office in Alamogordo did not return a call to confirm if complaints had been lodged.

A Southwest Hearing Associates customer in southwestern New Mexico has taken his case to the BBB's blog. Posted on trustlink, the customer said Jaramillo has not returned calls for appointments now that they have their hearing aids. "Shame on him. Any idea where he can be found would help."

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County to get additional tools for water decisions

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Statistical tools and research data may be available by the end of the year to help Lincoln County commissioners in their decisions regarding water supplies for development.

Although a complete report is not scheduled until 2014, Mike Darr of the U.S. Geological Survey, who took over as lead on the county project from Gordon Rattray, said Tuesday he understood the urgency for the county.

"I'm very encouraged to see this progress and that you're getting close to a preliminary report," Commission Chairman Tom Battin said. "Will you be available to come back and explain the data?"

Darr said he would. He's done field work in the area every two weeks to keep in touch with what's happening.

He walked commissioners through different gauges and measuring stations installed along the Ruidoso, Bonito and Hondo river system, and monitors on wells. Forty-seven private wells are measured bi-monthly to see how the aquifer responds to rain and snow, he said.

Some wells are measured hourly. An inventory of natural springs was completed and areas were pinpointed where the streams drop into the aquifer. Darr also is looking at Eagle Creek and analyzing flooding studies performed leading up to, during and after the July 2008 flood on the Rio Ruidoso.

Sandia Laboratories also gave him the report prepared on the basin and USGS is continuing to monitor some of the wells in that study, Darr said. He's preparing water level maps to help with the analysis leading to a conceptual water model and water budget. The ultimate goal is to quantify the amount of water and where it is going to help manage local resources, he told commissioners.

After the data is gathered, he will interpret the report in a form that commissioners can use by the end of the calendar year, instead of waiting until 2014, and the end of the program, Darr said.

"I'll focus on the water budget from now until the end of the year," he said. "What I give to you will be a draft to help you make management decisions prior to completion and the total report. There will be substantial internal and scientific review in 2011."

The amount of water sampling scheduled in



Darr: "What I give to you will be a draft to help you make management decisions."

2012 and 2013 will depend on the available budget, he said. The focus will switch to water quality, looking at contaminants and nutrients, as well as the age of the water in different locations, he said.

Commissioner Jackie Powell told Darr that people sometimes expect water flow to return to their property immediately, if the forest is thinned. He asked if the effect of forest thinning on water supply will be part of the report. He noted that despite a massive forest fire that reduced the number of trees around Eagle Creek, the stream still is not flowing regularly.

Darr said he knows that the density of a forest affects the water yield, because most water is consumed by vegetation.

"We can build that into the analysis," he said.

Powell asked if Darr had access to the Sacramento Mountains Hydrological Report prepared by New Mexico Bureau of Geology

and Mineral Resources of New Mexico Tech from 2006 to 2009.

The initial report that focuses on the southern Sacramento Mountains in Otero County, stated that forest thinning to reduce fire hazards or to improve forest health may demand different approaches. It also tracked the flow of water, how different sources intermingle and illustrated how the age of water is obtained.

Darr said Sandia Laboratories, which completed the Upper Hondo Water Availability and Decision Support Model, put him in touch with a local representative of the study, Tony Davis. As soon as he has formal permission, he can incorporate relevant data into the USGS report, Darr said.

Commissioners gave him permission on the spot.

"No sense not taking advantage of that offer," he said.

A Ruidoso News exclusive

THE TROOPS CAME TO TOWN, AND SOMETHING BEAUTIFUL HAPPENED

658 troops and military family members came to town Oct. 15 & 16 for MAW Heroes Weekend, and something extraordinarily beautiful happened. Commanders and supervisors reported seeing their troops more relaxed and peaceful than ever before. One's description was "jubilant". The wife of a soldier who had just returned from his 9th deployment said this was their first weekend together since the 2nd deployment. Another soldier said he has four children, and was not present for the birth of either one. Another phoned the owner of the condo he was occupying to say, "I wanted you to know that a friend came up today from Ft. Bliss to occupy the other bedroom. Just wanted you to know that you've made another soldier very happy". A wife who has five children, who left them with a sitter, told her host, "That's the first good night's rest I've had in years". Offering a bed for two days, a handshake, a warm smile, or a simple "Thank you for your service" is such a small thing, but the return is monumental.

They browsed the shops, made purchases, got manicures and pedicures, bought meals in restaurants, played miniature golf. They brought revenue into the community. They patronized those businesses who give military discounts. They attended Mt. High Fly-In, enjoyed a free breakfast, and took helicopter rides. They did Zipline and Paintball at Cook Canyon Ranch. They went horseback riding. They went to Oktoberfest. They hiked in the mountains. They ate hotdogs and S'mores around a campfire and had a sing-along with guitar music. For 48 hours Soldiers, Airmen, and Sailors, many who have just returned from Iraq and Afghanistan, some who are preparing to deploy, had some quality time with their loved ones and fellow comrades in arms. For 48 hours, they were in civvies and their minds were not occupied with survival. For 48 hours, they enjoyed the warm and hospitable embrace of Lincoln County residents who **REALLY DO CARE**.

One lodger reported that her guest, Lt. Col. Michael Tachias, on departing said "God Bless", and her first thought was "He already has". Without exception, she and every homeowner who hosted a troop, said they were humbled and blessed by the experience and asked to be considered for a troop or troops next year.

Relationships were formed and friendships were created that will be life altering for both the troops and those who were fortunate enough to have a family in their home.

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RELIGION

Ethics on the edge of life: making those final choices

Q. I enjoy reading your column every Saturday in the Buffalo News. I'd appreciate your opinion on the following:

- M., Buffalo, N.Y., via email

A. You have felt the deep dilemma that advances in medical science have imposed upon all people at the edge of life. Let's think together and pray together about what healing means in our time.



The God Squad
MARC GELLMAN

My wife and I are in our early 50s and coping with ill parents. We also see many other elderly people with a wide array of health problems. Modern medicine is prolonging the life of many people these days. However, this doesn't necessarily guarantee any sort of quality of life or, in some cases, death with dignity.

I'm sorry, but to me modern medicine often simply prolongs the agony. As a Christian, I realize that committing suicide is one of the worst sins one can commit. My question is this: If I make it to my 80s and refuse drugs or other treatments to keep me going, would God consider this a form of suicide?

There are two forms of healing. One form (like treatment for pneumonia) eliminates the disease or pathology and hopefully makes the patient well again.

The second form of therapy (like dialysis for people with renal failure) doesn't eliminate the underlying disease but enables the patient to live often years longer while enduring the effects of a chronic illness.

There's a third form of medical treatment that's not medical therapy. It's called palliative care and its sole purpose is to manage pain at the end of life. This is often done through

hospice care at home or in a hospice facility.

According to all the major faiths, we're obligated to accept the two forms of real therapy.

The reason we must allow ourselves to be healed is a foundational religious belief that God owns everything in the world: "The earth is the Lord's" (Psalm 24:1, I Corinthians 10:26) This world-ownership obviously includes our bodies.

Now, because God owns our bodies, we're not morally or spiritually entitled to kill what we don't own. Refusing therapy for yourself or your parents is killing what you do not own. Your question is complex, but the religious answer is bracingly simple.

This religious belief is the exact opposite of the common secular view that we own our bodies and therefore we ought to be able to kill ourselves (or ask others to kill us) when we're not satisfied with our quality of life.

This is a basic moral choice about the way we view ourselves in the world.

If you choose the secular approach that you own

your own body, obviously you have the right to end your life whenever you choose.

You also have the right to help your parents end their lives. However, the problems with this view ought to be obvious.

Sometimes the frustrations with infirmity can lead a person to briefly give up on life.

However, such suicides or assisted suicides eliminate the chance for a change of mind.

Good days can follow bleak days and the sun can shine again on our broken bodies. As Hemingway wrote in "A Farewell to Arms," "The world breaks every one and afterward many are strong at the broken places."

Also, there's no problem in measuring life, but there a huge problem in measuring the quality of life. I don't know how you do that.

I once counseled a man who loved folk dancing and wanted to die when he was told that he needed to have his leg amputated.

He couldn't imagine a life without dancing. After many discussions, he

decided to live on and dance in his memories.

Fr. Tom Hartman and I were actually once asked by a quadriplegic, after his motorcycle accident, to kill him.

Over time, however, he decided to live on and eventually formed an organization to help other paraplegics move through the depression following their accidents.

Quality of life is hard to use as justification for an act that has no chance of being reversed when your soul brightens.

Another problem with helping ill parents die is that you, their child, can't always be certain whether your true motivation is to free them from the burdens of their illness, or to free yourself from the burden of their care.

Such self-interest in ending the life of sick parents often exists alongside true compassion and it's difficult to untangle these motivations.

The religious view of how we should treat our bodies, on the other hand, is more direct and spiritually secure, in my view.

If therapy is possible, we should accept it

because it is God who should determine when our lives should end.

This view does not support quality-of-life arguments.

However, such a viewpoint doesn't commit us to futile medical tortures that have no therapeutic purpose.

When we can't be cured and when we can't have years added to our lives by clinically accepted treatments, there is no religious reason to submit to continued futile or experimental procedures.

Just as it's a blessing to preserve life, so too is it a blessing not to postpone death.

At the point when therapy is no longer possible, palliative care is the best course. It enables us to say goodbye without pain and continue our spiritual journey into a place where there is no suffering and where God wipes away every tear.

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

God will sustain you

Q. I was supposed to retire by now, but my retirement account has taken a real hit in the last couple of years and now I'm going to have to keep working. I admit I'm angry, and I don't understand why God let it happen. What do you think?

- S.G.

your cares on the Lord and he will sustain you; he will never let the righteous fall" (Psalm 55:22).



Billy Graham
MY ANSWER
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A. I'm sure many readers can identify with you, because the recent economic upheavals have brought disruption and hardship to countless families.

More than ever, we need to heed the Bible's command to pray for our leaders, because only God can give them the wisdom they need (see 1 Timothy 2:1-3).

We don't always know why God allows things like this to come into our lives. But let me assure you of two truths: He knows what you're going through, and He loves you and wants to help you deal with it.

That doesn't mean all your problems will vanish if you turn to Him; they probably won't. But it does mean God will help you adjust to your situation, and give you wisdom about the future.

This is why I urge you to turn to Christ and commit your disappointments - and your whole life - to Him. The Bible says, "Cast

Don't let anger consume you, but ask Him to help you accept what has happened - and even see His hand in it. God often brings good out of our disappointments, and He can do it for you.

In the meantime, be thankful for your job, and ask God to help you keep doing it faithfully.

The Bible says, "Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men" (Colossians 3:23).

Q: If God created everything, does that mean He also created the devil? Why did He do that? Or does the devil actually exist? Maybe the idea of an evil supernatural being is just something we dreamed up to explain all the evil in the world.

-Z.S.

A. No, the devil isn't just an idea that people dreamed up to explain why there's evil in the world. The devil is real, and ultimately he is behind all the sin and evil of this world.

What is the devil? The Bible says he is a very powerful and evil spiritual force - far more powerful than any human power or

authority. The Bible says he is our adversary or opponent, and his all-consuming goal is to block God's work and take over as the ruler of the universe (and of our lives).

The Bible says, "Be self-controlled and alert. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour" (1 Peter 5:8).

Although the Bible doesn't answer all our questions about Satan, it indicates that originally he was an archangel created by God to serve Him.

But he led a rebellion against God and tried to put himself in God's place. Since that time, he has been in constant conflict with God, and that spiritual battle will continue until the end of the present age. Then Satan will be defeated, never to bother us again.

The real question, however, is this: Whom are you serving?

Are you serving the devil (even if you don't see it that way) - or are you serving God?

Don't be on the losing side, but turn your life over to Jesus Christ and make it your goal to live for Him every day.

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

God is not a member of any political party

Election Day is just ahead, Nov. 2, and soon we will be free from all the campaign advertisements on the television.

They are not informative; they are accusative.

They do not clarify; they confuse. Everyone is reverting back to their political party leanings, because there is no basis for making rational decisions about their vote.

What can we do about the way we should vote? We had better pray.

First of all, we need to acknowledge that the decision is really beyond our figuring out.

Separating truth from fiction, fact from lies, is a challenging responsibility. We must look to God for direction in the deception.

This is not a political action; it is a spiritual deci-



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RUIDOSO PASTOR

sion. We can try to figure everything out logically and rationally, but we do not have enough facts and truth to make intelligent decisions.

So, we must turn to the One who knows all the facts and deals with the truth.

And, yet, we are instructed by the Word of God to be good citizens. So we must pay our taxes, obey the laws, and vote the dictates of our conscience. When we don't know what to do, we seek the advice of someone who knows.

God is not a part of a political party. And, yet, He is the one who allows leaders to take positions of governance. Sometimes He gives us what we think we want, so that we will learn to seek what He has to give us.

He is not the God of confusion. He is the God of order and decency.

He is the one who will meet all of our needs according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

But, when we do not seek his will, do not study his word, and choose not to walk in his way, He lets us have the results of our faulty decisions.

So, I ask you to pray. If you do not believe in God, that is your business. I don't know to whom or what you will go for wisdom and direction for your vote. Until our nation turns to God, we will struggle in governance, economy, education, terrorism, health and everything else that we have on our plate.

We are in danger of losing our future and today is the day that we must decide that we must decide what we want to happen tomorrow.

We need help for today and hope for tomorrow.

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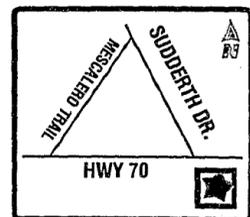
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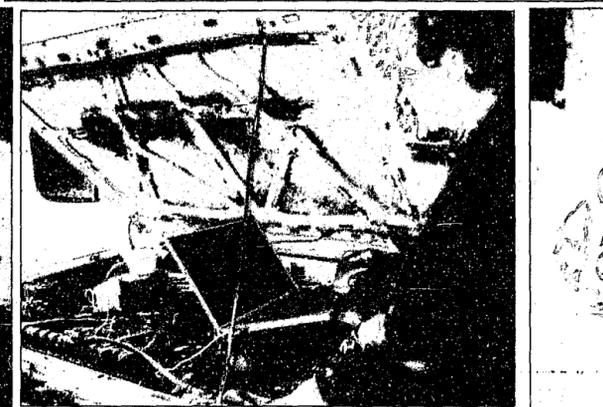
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Film action in Carrizozo – Scene 26, Take 2



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Carrizozo's 12th Street saw some movie action Wednesday when the *Billy Shakespeare* movie spent the day shooting in the old Roland Drug Store building. Deborah Voorhees, director, (top right) made use of the space to shoot a number of the movie's scenes. With a cast and crew (often interchangeable in roles) that is local to the county and to New Mexico, the low-budget project is moving along more quickly than planned. Shooting is taking place around the county and editing at ENMU-Ruidoso campus five days a week. This makes the second movie to shoot in Carrizozo this month following last year's blockbuster film with Denzel Washington, *The Book of Eli*. See the Nov. 3 issue of the *Ruidoso News* for more photos of the shoot and a look at the hope for the future of film making in Carrizozo. Stars of *Billy Shakespeare*, top center, are Catharine Pilafas and Jason Johnson. See more cast photos at the film website at www.billyshakespearethemovie.com.

The cowboy and the skinwalker

It happened on a high desert ranch in Navajo country.

The mesa lands surrounded the canyons and the cedar-covered hillsides and all were painted in layers of bold colors.

The day wore a hushed stillness broken by the occasional flapping sound of a crow on the wing.

A lone cowboy was checking cattle, riding along at a slow trot when a movement caught his eye.

Across the canyon, very deep and wide, he could see a man walking. He pulled his horse to a stop, squinting to make sure of what he was seeing.

In the distance, he could see what he knew to

be an Indian dressed in the traditional animal-hide apparel of a century ago.



Cowgirl Sass & Savvy
BY JULIE CARTER

The fact that the Indian was afoot so far from civilization raised a curiosity in the cowboy.

He navigated his way across the canyon in one of the few places that it could be crossed. There he found some old cliff

dwellings and "picture rocks," bringing him to the thought that perhaps the Indian had been praying there in an ancient place of worship.

The cowboy looked around but the man seemed to have disappeared. He rode to the spot where he saw him from

across the canyon and found not the man, but where he had been sitting, along with another curious sight.

Hanging on a large cedar, like ornaments on a Christmas tree, were little figurines made of grass and bound with string. One of them, swaying only slightly in a non-existent breeze, was quite clearly a man on a horse.

A cold shiver went down his spine. He he shook it off and began to look around for signs of the man he'd seen.

He found the Indian's tracks and followed them for a short distance. They all but disappeared in the rocks so he circled the area looking for more tracks.

All he could find were the tracks of several coyotes.

"I figured he was hiding in the huge cracks in

the rocks so as not to be bothered," the cowboy related in telling the tale "So I rode away respectfully, crossed back over the canyon and went on to finish my day's work."

The next night, the cowboy was joined in camp by a Navajo friend of his named Bobby. They sat by the fire and over coffee, the cowboy told Bobby about what he had seen the day before.

Even in the dim firelight, the cowboy could see Bobby's deep brown skin turn very pale.

He was visibly spooked when he asked the cowboy if he believed in witches and demons or devils.

The cowboy, without hesitation, replied a simple, "No."

Bobby, his voice shaking, began to tell the cowboy about skinwalkers. Although they are most

frequently seen as a coyote, wolf, owl, fox, or crow, the *yee naaldlooshii* is said to have the power to assume the form of any animal they choose, depending on what kind of abilities they need.

Some Navajo also believe that skinwalkers have the ability to steal the "skin" or body of a person.

The Navajo believe that if you lock eyes with a skinwalker they can absorb themselves into your body.

Bobby told the cowboy that his lack of belief in bad spirits made his soul too strong for the skinwalker.

"The little doll on the horse that was hanging in the tree was the tool he made to call you over to his side of the canyon," Bobby told him. "When you lost his tracks, then

found several sets of coyote tracks, it was him and his clan leaving when he couldn't enter your body.

"Only one of them will change shape and be seen," said Bobby. "That's why you only saw one man. They didn't want you to feel outnumbered. Stay away from them, and they'll move on."

The legend of skinwalkers comes with many stories and warnings, all common with their elements of evil and elusiveness that are magnified by the dark of night.

But there is one cowboy that knows what he saw in broad daylight.

Never again did he ride the desert canyon lands without feeling there were many eyes upon him.

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COUNTY BRIEFS

Horse found

One horse has been found in the Glencoe area. The horse can be claimed by its owner by calling the New Mexico Livestock Inspector at 575-649-2758.

Bake Sale

The Carrizozo Woman's Club will be holding an Election Day Bake Sale on Tuesday, Nov. 2, from 9 a.m. until noon at the Wells Fargo Bank on Central Avenue in Carrizozo.

The women of the club are famous for their baked goods and the sale will include a huge variety of items such as cakes, pies,

brownies, cookies and breads. There will also be a selection of sugar-free baked goods for people on special diets.

The proceeds from the Bake Sale will go into the scholarship fund.

Each year the Carrizozo Woman's Club gives a generous scholarship to a deserving senior at Carrizozo High School to help with college expenses.

For more information, call Tona Macken at 354-0760.

Pumpkin Carving

A Pumpkin Decorating and Carving Contest will be held in Capitan on

Saturday, Oct. 30, 2-5 p.m., at Smokey Bear Park Playground.

There are pumpkins available for children on a first come, first served basis, provided by Capitan's own Bucket Man's Garden.

Markers and decoration materials are provided by the Capitan Women's Club for pumpkin decorating.

Children 5th grade and under require Adult supervision. Those wishing to carve a pumpkin do so at their risk. No knives are allowed at the park.

Ribbons and prizes donated are donated by local merchants. Enter the contest by 5 p.m.,

Saturday, and have your pumpkin be part of the Halloween Carnival at the Park on Sunday Oct. 31, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Fall Carnival

PFK is sponsoring a Fall Carnival on Monday, Nov. 1, in the Old Gym at Carrizozo Schools from 5-7 p.m.

There will be a costume contest at 6:30 p.m. with an entry fee of \$1. Come and enjoy fun for the whole family.

Halloween Party

There will be a Kids Halloween Party at Gallery

408, Sunday, Oct. 31, 1-5 p.m. For more information Gallery 408 at 648-2598

Activities will include a Burro Coloring Contest. Draw and color a burro and decorate it the way you would if you could do a big burro – optional burro outline is available at the Gallery.

All submissions will be posted at Gallery 408 through Nov. 19.

Participants will get a Carrizozo coloring book by Rick Geary.

First Place will be printed in the *Lincoln County News*.

There will be Face Painting by J'Lane, a best costume contest, Pin the tail on the burro, guessing games, a piñata, a chance for kids to color and create decorations for their own pumpkin to take home.

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Editor's note: The Ruidoso News emailed questions to candidates in various local races. In Wednesday's paper, we featured Judge Lorena LaMay, Republican incumbent candidate for Magistrate Court, Division 2. Due to a miscommunication, LaMay's opponent, Democrat Sal Beltran, had not responded to our questionnaire. In the interest of fairness, we present Beltran in this issue.

Sal Beltran, Democrat challenger, Magistrate Court, Division 2

1. The state reported several years ago that DWI ranked number one on the Magistrate Court level. What do you see as ways to reduce the cases of DWI?

Should maximum sentences always be issued or do sanctions need to be decided on a case-by-case basis?

Driving while intoxicated has been a serious problem in the State of New Mexico for some time now. It was a problem when I was patrolling the highways of New Mexico as a Patrolman with the New Mexico State Police.

I tried to do my best in curtailing the DWI problem by getting the violators off the streets.

As Magistrate Judge I believe I can do even more. The court is regulated by the state as to how much the fine can be and how much jail can be handed down. However, the state also gives a maximum amount and a minimum amount of both fines and jail time.

I say deal out some stiffer fines and hold these violators accountable for

their actions. How else can you get their attention and reduce the DWI problem? Of course each case will be heard and judged on its own merits and within the defendant's rights and the statute of the law.

We must also look at each case and consider the screening process for treatment and rehabilitation. Some violators are in need of alternative sentences such as community service, serving their time in jail on weekends, and so on.

2. The next most prolific crime seen by Magistrate Courts in New Mexico is domestic violence. What is/will be your approach domestic cases?

It was sad to hear that Lincoln County was at one time leading the state in domestic violence. I saw many times what a horrendous crime domestic violence really is and how many victims it creates.

As judge, it would be my responsibility to do everything possible to reduce this problem. Domestic violence should never be tolerated and will be dealt with

very seriously. Again I would make sure that each violator would be held accountable for their actions and punished accordingly.

We need to speed up the process that will provide assistance to the victims and make sure that they are kept safe and are taken care of while the matter is in the court process.

Recommendations may be made by the District Attorney's Office through screening for sentencing. But it would be the judge's decision to accept those recommendations while staying within the boundaries mandated by state statute.

I would also defer some of the fines and mandate donations be made to area shelters and counseling centers that provide assistance to the victims as well as to the violators.

I will work very hard to help reduce and end the domestic violence problem.

3. Except for the state's most populous counties, Magistrate Judges do not have to be an attorney. Do you agree with that, and why or why not?

Yes I do agree that Magistrate judges do not have to be attorneys to sit on the bench. But a good Magistrate judge does have to be passionate for the law and dealing it out properly. They do have to be a good listener and hear each case based on its own merits, taking into account the evidence presented and mak-



made when it is in the best interest of serving the public fairly and properly.

The State of New Mexico also provides guidelines when a judge should recuse himself from a case.

6. Video appearances began to be used during the past decade in Lincoln County to, in part, reduce costs for transporting defendants to and from the jail in Carrizozo. With the state's tight finances, what other cost-saving measures do you think could be implemented?

With the addition of a video system, that alone has already made a big difference in cost savings to Magistrate Court. It has saved in the transportation cost of a prisoner for arraignment and in the future, sentencing.

The video system has also created a safer environment within the court building. I will be a judge that will continue to look for ways to save money and pass on those savings onto you, the public.

I will make sure that all unnecessary appliances, computers and lights be turned off when not in use. I will also watch the use of paper materials and other office supplies and make sure that they are not wasted. I will also look at ways that we can use recycled materials. I will work with the local solid waste department and use trash cans that hold materials that can be recycled.

ing a good sound decision.

Magistrate judges are not above anyone else, they have to have good people skills, good communication skills, and be compassionate yet uncompromising. He must have good common sense and listen to each case attentively. He must be willing to work hard to serve the public as best he can even if it takes working extra hours.

4. Plea deals are often reached in criminal cases. Are plea agreements a necessary evil to keep caseloads from becoming overbearing? Expound.

I agree that plea agreements are, unfortunately a necessary evil. With so many cases going through Magistrate Court it is necessary to alleviate the heavy case load.

It is also necessary to make sure that each case is

heard in a timely manner. Cases cannot be allowed to fall through the cracks simply because it was not heard on time. Each defendant will be advised of their Constitutional rights and are made sure that they understand each part of the plea agreement.

5. When should a judge recuse himself or herself from a case?

A Magistrate judge should almost never have to recuse himself. He has been voted in by the people and should be trusted that he will make a fair decision. He is a person that can be trusted to not play favorites while on the bench.

As I state, almost never. I'm sure that there will be cases that it will be absolutely necessary for the judge to recuse himself. That decision will be

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Indigent healthcare claims rise

Costs blamed on freeze in state health insurance program

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Claims against revenue collected in Lincoln County's Indigent Health Care Fund are increasing with the freeze on enrollment in the state subsidized health insurance program, the fund director said.

After hearing the monthly report on claims, County Commissioner Eileen Sedillo said last week she understood many of the people on the state subsidized program will be shifted to Medicaid when the state program is phased out under the national health care plan passed earlier this year by Congress.

She asked Fund Administrator Scott Annala if those who don't qualify then will fall on the county for help. "Will we be inundated?" she asked. "Will the state give the county more money?"

Annala told commissioners he's already seeing an increase in claims with the state insurance program freeze.

"I look at two years for it to hit," he said. "It will be up to a new administration to either really expand Medicaid (with the implementation of national health care). I don't see any more money coming our way. I'll have to be prudent with the budget. We will have little left over."

The fund is fueled by a designated one-eighth of one cent gross receipt tax that generates about \$500,000 a year.

Commission Chairman Tom Battin said he's noticed a spike in claims, which are filed by health-care providers outside of the county hospital for treatment of residents who fall within eligibility requirements. The program is aimed at the working underinsured or uninsured.

Those who are unemployed usually already qualify for Medicaid.

Annala said this month's spike was tied to a particular case, but he assured commissioners they will see an increase.

"We've always had a comfortable margin of claims to revenue," Battin observed.

County Manager Tom Stewart said commissioners have the authority to decide what services or providers should be reimbursed.

"We had an especially high one this month, so it skewed the numbers," he said. "When (the state insurance dissolves), we can change the criteria. I'm afraid the state Legislature should be looking at what happens for everyone to be insured. You can't just do away with one and not have something to substitute."

Annala said his affiliate group under the New Mexico Association of Counties wanted to make health care coverage a priority for the association.

"It is a big deal and I'm afraid the candidates for governor don't have a plan," Annala said. "They've focused on education and other issues. If you see them, bring it up."

"I wish they would spend more time coming up with solutions on health care and less beating each other up," Battin said. "It's

certainly good that we anticipate this."

Stewart said the state has little impact on indigent health care, because it is run by the counties.

"We just need to make sure the state Legislature enacts legislation that permits counties to either manage the program or phase it out by 2014," he said. "It is built into our budget, but I hope there is some sort of sunset in 2011, if Congress decides to continue forward on this track, because some adjustment will have to be made."

County Clerk Rhonda Burrows, former IHCF administrator, confirmed with Stewart that the revenue raised by the GRT can be used to pay the county's mandatory Medicaid contribution and the Sole Community Provider payment, which generates four federal dollars for every \$1 contributed locally. The money goes to the county hospital, the Lincoln County Medical Center, in Ruidoso.

"When we first started out, we regulated the amount of reserve by contributing to those two, Medicaid and Sole Community," Stewart said. "Since the early times of the program, however, claims have risen and more of the two payments falls on mill levy, rather than the IHCF

program.

The mill levy approved by voters provides for up to 3 mills of property taxes annually to help support the hospital, rural health clinics and the ambulance service. One mill equates to \$1 for every \$1,000 of taxable property value.

"It's a big deal, and I'm afraid the candidates for governor don't have a plan."

Stewart said, "The intent is not to have a lot of money in the IHCF claims line and to regulate to meet the needs of the county." The county paid \$296,000 in Medicaid payments last fiscal year, he said.

"When claims increased over time, we decreased (indigent payments) to keep the program viable," Stewart said. "As they phase this program out in favor of Medicaid, we may be able to use indigent health care money to pay for the Sole Community Provider and Medicaid."

Burrows said, "I see a big cost shift to county as your Medicaid payment goes sky high as they enroll

more people in the program. Stewart said Burrows' remarks made sense.

Commissioners approved the monthly reimbursements presented by Annala. In his report, Stewart wrote that 51 claims were filed against the IHCF and 48 were rec-

ommended for approval for a total of \$41,310.38, bringing the year to date since July 1, to \$123,956.53.

Last year, the average IHC monthly payment was \$26,234 and the county spent \$314,818 by the end of the year on claims. The average month this year so far is \$30,989 and projected to the end of the year would be \$371,869 of the \$517,088 budgeted.

Under the SCP program for the hospital, 55 claims were processed and 53 were recommended for approval for a total of \$101,393, for a total to date of \$398,635.

A Ruidoso News exclusive

Region's precipitation exceeding the average

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As was the case for much of New Mexico, precipitation from October 2009 through September 2010 was above normal around the Sacramento Mountains.

The period from October to September is known as the water year. The water year is used to tally a winter snow season in the same one-year period.

Ruidoso received 23.72 inches of rain or liquid equivalent snow during the water year that ended Sept. 30, according to the National Weather Service in Albuquerque. That was 9 percent more than the normal 21.85 inches.

For the calendar year, Ruidoso is 14 percent above normal through September.

Capitan recorded 12 percent more precipitation for

the water year: 18.04 inches fell compared to the normal of 16.14 inches.

The wettest report from the Sacramento Mountains was at Cloudfcroft, where 42.01 inches of rain and melted snow fell. That was 68 percent ahead of normal. Much of the precipitation in Cloudfcroft fell between January and September of this year.

Across New Mexico, water year 2010 precipitation was 10 percent above normal. The Weather Service's Central Highlands climate division, from Cloudfcroft and Ruidoso north to Estancia and Moriarty received 25 percent over the average water year precipitation. The Southern Desert division received 18 percent more than normal precipitation.

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HEALTH & LIFESTYLE

It's pumpkin time

The most popular use of pumpkins is for decoration as jack-o-lanterns.

When selecting a pumpkin for cooking, the best selection is a "pie pumpkin" or "sweet pumpkin." These are smaller than the large jack-o-lantern pumpkins and the flesh is sweeter and less watery. However, you can substitute the jack-o-lantern variety with fairly good results.

Look for a pumpkin with 1 to 2 inches of stem left. If the stem is cut down too low the pumpkin will decay quickly or may be decaying at the time of purchase.

Avoid pumpkins with blemishes and soft spots. It should be heavy, shape is unimportant.

A lopsided pumpkin is not necessarily a bad pumpkin.

Figure one pound of raw, untrimmed pumpkin for each cup finished

Preparation

Spread newspaper over your work surface. Start by removing the stem with a sharp knife.

If you are planning to roast the pumpkin seeds, smash the pumpkin against a hard surface to break it open.

If not, cut in half with a sharp knife. In any case, remove the stem and scoop out the seeds and scrape away all of the stringy mass. A messy job, but it will pay off.

Cooking

Boiling/Steaming Method: Cut the pumpkin into rather large chunks. Rinse in cold water. Place pieces in a large pot with about a cup of water.

The water does not need to cover the pumpkin pieces. Cover the pot and boil for 20 to 30 minutes or

until tender, or steam for 10 to 12 minutes. Check for doneness by poking with a fork.

Drain the cooked pumpkin in a colander. Reserve the liquid to use as a base for soup. Follow the steps outlined below in Preparing the Puree.

Oven Method: Cut pumpkin in half, scraping away stringy mass and seeds. Rinse under cold water.

Place pumpkin, cut side down on a large cookie sheet. Bake at 350°F for one hour or until fork tender. Then follow the procedure outlined below in Preparing the Puree.

Microwave Method: Cut pumpkin in half, place cut side down on a microwave safe plate or tray. Microwave on high for 15 minutes, check for doneness.

If necessary continue cooking at 1-2 minute intervals until fork tender. Continue as outlined below in Preparing the Puree.

Puree

When the pumpkin is cool enough to handle,

remove the peel using a small sharp knife and your fingers. Put the peeled pumpkin in a food processor and puree or use a food mill, ricer, strainer or potato masher to form a puree.

Pumpkin puree freezes well. To freeze, measure cooled puree into one cup portions, place in ridged freezer containers, leaving 1/2-inch headspace or pack into zip closure bags. Label, date and freeze at 0°F for up to one year.

Use this puree in recipes or substitute in the same amount in any recipe calling for solid pack canned pumpkin.

Pumpkin Pancakes

These pancakes can be prepared with Butternut Squash, Hubbard Squash or other variety of winter squash.

Use canned pumpkin puree, freshly prepared puree, or frozen puree which has been thawed. Cold leftover pancakes are an appetizing snack.

- 1 cup all purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder

- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon pumpkin pie spice
- 1 egg, slightly beaten
- 2 cups pumpkin puree
- 1/2 cup molasses or maple syrup
- 3-4 tablespoons buttermilk or milk
- 2 tablespoons unsalted butter or margarine, melted
- 1/2 cup chopped pecans or hazelnuts, optional
- Powdered sugar for dusting

1. In a large bowl, sift together flour, baking powder, salt, and pumpkin pie spice. Set aside.

2. In another bowl, beat egg slightly. Add pumpkin or squash puree, molasses or syrup, milk or buttermilk and melted butter or margarine. Mix until smooth.

3. Blend in the dry ingredients all at once. Mix until batter is smooth. Allow batter to rest for 30 minutes or more.

4. Stir nuts into batter, and add additional tablespoon of buttermilk or milk if batter is too thick.

5. To make pancakes,

spoon a heaping tablespoon of batter onto a lightly greased preheated griddle or heavy skillet. With the back of the spoon, flatten batter to about 1/2-inch thickness.

Cook slowly until bubbles appear on top and bottom is golden brown. Lift edge to check. Turn and cook until other side is golden brown.

6. Place on a platter and set platter in a warm oven. Continue making pancakes until all batter is used.

Makes about 24, 3-inch pancakes. Serves 4 to 6 people. Garnish with powdered sugar or serve with corn syrup, maple syrup or your favorite pancake syrup.

Adapted from Cook It Quick, UNL Extension. The Lincoln County Extension Service is a field office of NMSU and is an equal opportunity, affirmative action employer and educator, NMSU and USDA cooperating. If you have any questions call 648-2311 or email palmer@nmsu.edu.

Recognizing the physical symptoms of depression

JAMES MARTIN
For the Ruidoso News

Most of us are well aware of the emotional symptoms associated with depression.

However, many may not know that there are many physical symptoms that

indicate the possibility that the core issue needing treatment may be depression.

Many with depression suffer from chronic pain or other physical conditions. The problem is that many depressed people never get help, because they aren't

aware that their physical symptoms might be caused by depression.

Here are the 9 physical symptoms of depression:

1. Headaches - Headaches are fairly common in people with depression. If you already get migraines, depression will probably

make your headaches worse than usual.

2. Back Pain. If you already have back problems, depression will usually make it worse.

3. Muscle aches and joint pain. Depression will make any kind of chronic pain worse.

4. Chest pain. It is very important to always get chest pain checked by an expert immediately. It can be a sign of serious heart problems. However, often times depression can contribute to the discomfort associated with chest pains.

5. Digestive Problems. Depression contributes to queasy or nauseous feelings. It can also cause diarrhea or contribute to symptoms associated with chronic constipation.

6. Exhaustion and fatigue. One of the major signs of depression is chronic fatigue and that

"worn out" feeling.

Getting up in the morning will be especially arduous and difficult for the depressed.

7. Sleeping problems. Many with depression can't sleep well anymore. They awaken too early or can't fall asleep when they go to bed. Others who are depressed sleep excessively.

8. Change in appetite or weight. Some lose their appetite and lose weight. Then there are those who may crave certain foods, like carbohydrates, and will gain excessive amounts of weight.

9. Dizziness or lightheadedness.

It is always very important to remember that the body is an enormous system of checks and balances.

This interplay between the body and the mind is important to grasp as we examine the physical and the psychological aspects of

depression. Together, the body and the mind determine how you "feel."

Let's not forget that depression is an illness. It can have causes related to physical illness.

In addition, some medications can contribute to a feeling of depression.

If you haven't done so, ask your physician about the feelings associated with your physical maladies or "new feelings" that may be related to the taking of certain medicines.

James D. Martin is the program manager of the Heritage Program for Senior Adults at the Lincoln County Medical Center. Heritage is a program designed to improve the quality of life for the older adult. Confidential screenings are available by appointment. If interested please call 575-257-6283.

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As this campaign cycle draws to a close I would like to express my appreciation to you for allowing us to interrupt your lives for the past 10 months. It has been an honor and privilege to have met so many good people. I am disappointed that my opponent has chosen to bash me over things that were resolved long ago instead of learning the important issues that will face the new PRC commissioners. For example- he says he will "force" the utility companies to invest in wind and solar energy to protect the middle class (Opponents source: Last Mail Out). Sorry Bill, but the N.M. Legislature mandated this investment two years ago. If this mandate goes into effect it will make all electric bills go through the roof. I will go to the legislature and attempt to have the mandate repealed or at least postponed until the economy has recovered. Rate payers cannot afford this mandate. The upcoming PNM proposed rate increases- My opponent says he will "send them packing" (Opponents source: Last Mail Out) you do that Bill and who replaces them and at what cost to the middle class. In my opinion the rate increase proposal is far finding and explanation yet to come. The economy must be a major component in all discussions. When my opponent was asked by a board member of the Columbus Electric Co-op "why are you running for the PRC" his reply was "I need a job". (Source: Mr. Massey) On November 2, I would appreciate your vote!

Thank you,
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One might call it reflexology or acupressure, but Judi Christopher calls it a miracle.

With a background in racing and horses, Christopher, over the past decades, has found a way to combine knowledge of natural healing with helping both horses and people.

"I was looking for a natural substance to keep horses from going lame, without the overuse of drugs," she said.

As a former jockey and trainer, she explained, "I've seen many kinds of misuses, people doping their horses just to keep them on their feet. There had to be a better way."

Christopher, in 1972 at the age of 17, began working with a veterinarian, Dr. Northway of the King Ranch in Texas. She learned the techniques of reflexology or what is referred to as Equine Massage.

Still thinking there was more, she wanted to formulate a liniment that would 'prevent' or even strengthen the horse's muscles before they became lame and make them more muscled than before. A power house of a horse.

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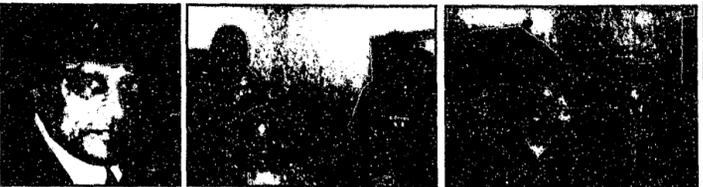
Christopher has a small office in Ruidoso, seeing only one person at a time. She works on the pressure points of the neck, back, arms, legs feet and hands, helping arthritis, sore muscles, and joint pain and much more.

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We continue to make improvements to the shelter. Within the past two weeks, we have had the front kennel area painted. Additional improvements are scheduled.

The one year celebration of the Ruidoso Dog Park was held last Saturday, Oct. 23. The event proved to be an unqualified success, with an estimated 100 dogs taking part.

We need to find a home for Stacy. She is a Shar Pei-mix weighing about 50 pounds. She has been in our shelter for about two months, an experience that is very stressful for dogs. She's a sweetheart who deserves a loving home.

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POLICE & COURTS

Wayward hikers OK

RUIDOSO MAGISTRATE COURT BRIEFS

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Two hikers, who got lost when darkness set in Tuesday night, were both fine about a hour-and-a-half after making a cell phone call for help.

The Lincoln County Sheriff's Office and the Bonito Volunteer Fire Department were dis-

patched to the Monjeau Lookout area for the young pair who had been hiking on the Skyline Trail.

A deputy activated the spotlight and emergency lights on her department vehicle which guided the hikers back to a parking area where their vehicle was, said Lincoln County Undersheriff Robert Sheperd.

'Zozo cop jumps to Downs

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A Carrizozo police officer has jumped ship and joined the Ruidoso Downs Police Department.

Darrell Chavez' employment was approved Monday by the Ruidoso Downs City Council.

Police Chief Alfred Ortiz said Chavez would fill an open position in the department.

"He's a four-year experienced officer," said Ortiz. "He has passed all of the background reviews for this position."

City Councilor Tommy Hood questioned if Chavez would be moving to Ruidoso Downs. Ortiz said he would continue to live in Carrizozo and commute to his new job.

Chavez had been with the Carrizozo Police Department since May 2009.

Oct. 13

Steven Mulkey pled no contest to a charge of driver must be licensed under a plea and disposition agreement reached by defense attorney Roderick Frechette and Assistant District Attorney John Bernitz.

Under the agreement, the State dismissed charges of driving while license revoked and speeding and LaMay sentenced Mulkey to a 90 day suspended jail term, a \$300 fine, with \$250 suspended, and 90 days of unsupervised probation.

LaMay also ordered Mulkey to pay \$81 in court costs.

Wilber J. Gonzales pled no contest to charges of driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs (1st offense), under a plea and disposition agreement reached by defense attorney Charles Hawthorne and Assistant District Attorney John Bernitz.

Under the agreement, the State dismissed charges of careless driving, leaving the scene of an accident and no proof of insurance.

As per the agreement, Judge Lorena LaMay sentenced Gonzales to a 90 day suspended jail term, a \$500 fine, with \$300 suspended, 24 hours of community service, 364 days supervised probation and ordered him to install an ignition interlock device on his vehicle for one year.

LaMay also ordered Gonzales to pay \$221 in court costs.

Oct. 14

Randall Fiveash appeared in Magistrate Court

and pled no contest to charges of driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs (2nd offense) and careless driving under a plea and disposition agreement reached by defense attorney Charles Hawthorne and Assistant District Attorney John Bernitz.

Under the agreement, the State dismissed charges of aggravated driving while intoxicated (3rd offense) and reckless driving.

On the DWI charge, Judge Lorena LaMay sentenced Fiveash to 364 days in jail, with 360 days suspended. She gave Fiveash credit for one day served and ordered him to serve three more days within the next 45 days. She also placed him on 360 days supervised probation and fined him \$1,000, with \$500 suspended.

LaMay also ordered Fiveash to complete 48 hours of community service, complete an alcohol/drug screening program, install an ignition interlock device for two years and pay \$221 in mandatory court costs.

For careless driving, LaMay sentenced Fiveash to a suspended 90 day jail term, 90 days of supervised probation concurrent with the DWI probation, and a \$300 fine, with \$250 suspended.

Rebertha Trujillo appeared in Magistrate Court and pled no contest to charges of aggravated driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs (1st offense), no seat belt and speeding.

Judge Lorena LaMay sentenced Trujillo to 90 days in jail, with 88 days suspended and credit for

time served, 362 days of supervised probation and a \$500 fine, with \$300 suspended.

LaMay also ordered Trujillo to complete 24 hours of community service, complete DWI School and drug/alcohol screening and to install an ignition interlock device for one year.

LaMay ordered Trujillo to pay a total of \$543 in fines and fees. She did not fine Trujillo for the seat belt or speeding violation.

The arrest for DWI violated Trujillo's probation on two previous convictions.

Trujillo pled no contest to criminal damage to property Aug. 5, 17 days before her DWI arrest. She was given 182 days supervised probation for that offense.

Trujillo had pled no contest to battery on a household member March 16th and received 364 days probation for that offense.

LaMay continued Trujillo on probation until Feb. 25, 2011.

Humberto Olivas appeared in Magistrate Court and pled no contest to charges of driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs (1st offense, careless driving and open container under a plea and disposition agreement reached by defense attorney Gary Mitchell and Deputy District Attorney Reed Thompson.

Under the agreement, the State dismissed a charge of contributing to the delinquency of a minor and amended the charge of reckless driving to careless driving.

Judge Lorena LaMay deferred the 90-day jail sentences on the careless driving, open container and DWI charges for 90 days.

She sentenced Olivas to 364 days supervised probation, ordered him to complete 24 hours of community service, install an ignition interlock device for one year, complete DWI School, and ordered him to complete his education.

LaMay ordered Humberto to pay a total of \$343 in fines and fees.

Oct. 19

Gina Jacobo appeared in Magistrate Court, waived the right to legal representation and pled no contest to a charge of attempted issuance of a worthless check.

Under a plea and disposition agreement Jacobo reached with Assistant District Attorney Reed Thompson, the State amended the original charge to "attempted" and dismissed a second charge.

Judge Lorena LaMay sentenced Jacobo to 364 days in jail, with 363 suspended and credit for one day served, a \$1,000 fine, with \$900 suspended, and 363 days supervised probation.

LaMay noted that Jacobo had made full restitution.

Oct. 21

Brysen Platta appeared in Magistrate Court and pled no contest to a charge of criminal damage to property under a plea and disposition agreement reached by defense attorney Mandy Denson and Assistant District Attorney Reed Thompson.

Under the agreement, the State dismissed a charge of disorderly conduct and Judge Lorena LaMay sentenced Platta to a 182 day suspended jail term, a \$500 fine, with

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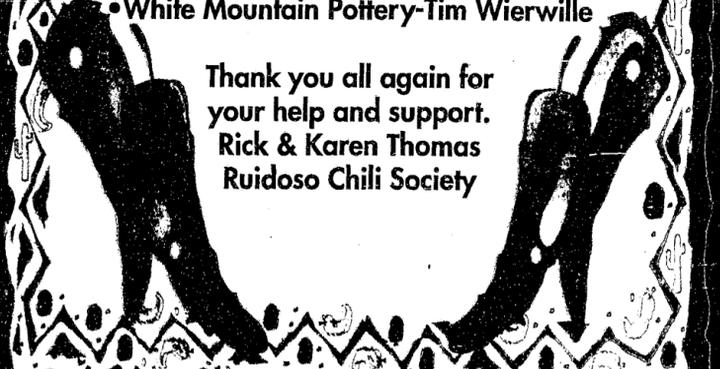
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RUIDOSO POLICE BRIEFS

Oct. 21
8:00 a.m. - Officer Tyrel Tyson responded to Camelot Apartments for a report of a threat. The manager showed Tyson a threatening letter left in the drop box.

9:55 a.m. - Tyson responded to the 200 block of Gavilan Canyon Road for a report of a man stumbling into traffic.

Tyson reported finding a man lying on the ground just off the roadway on Sutton Drive. Tyson reported that the man was initially unresponsive and smelled of alcoholic beverage.

When Tyson woke him, the man identified himself as "Julio Chavez" and said he was 18 years old.

Emergency Medical Services arrived and determined that the man needed further medical attention. They transported him to Lincoln County Medical Center.

Tyson reports that the man continued to identify himself as "Julio Chavez."

Ruidoso Police Dispatch contacted Bureau of Indian Affairs Police, who identified the man as Zachary Cleveland. There was an outstanding arrest warrant for Cleveland.

Tyson reports that Cleveland became violent and tried to leave the hospital ER. When Tyson told Cleveland to lie down, he tried to strike Tyson with a closed fist. Tyson placed him in handcuffs.

After he was treated, Tyson transported Cleveland to the Ruidoso Police Department and booked him on the warrant and charged Cleveland with minor allowing himself to be served and resisting, evading or obstructing a police officer.

11:36 a.m. - A man came to the Police Department to report four Jeep tires and wheels stolen in the 100 block of 4th Street. The man reportedly told Officer Chris Bryant that he observed a small blue and tan car stopped in the roadway on 4th Street Sunday, Oct. 17 and the next day noticed the Jeep wheels and tires missing. Bryant contacted the owner of the Jeep, who said he would file a report when he returned to town.

Oct. 23
7:05 a.m. - Officer Jon Lund responded to the 300 block of Walnut Street for a report of criminal damage to property. Someone had thrown a rock through the windshield of a car.

8:05 a.m. - Officer Tyrel Tyson responded to a report of criminal damage to property in the 200 block of Swallow Drive and found two more vehicles nearby that had also been damaged.

9:04 a.m. - Officer Jon Lund responded to the 300 block of Spring Road for a report of criminal damage to property. Someone had damaged an RV with a rock.

10:19 a.m. - Officer Tyrel Tyson responded to a report of a vehicle damaged by rocks in the 100 block of Spruce Drive and located another damaged vehicle nearby this one.

12:18 p.m. - Officer Jon Lund responded to 100 block of Ranier for a report of criminal damage to property. Someone struck a car with a rock, damaging the car.

Oct. 24
12:34 a.m. - Officer Lance Ledford responded to a report of a public affray at The Quarters Nightclub in Midtown Ruidoso. Ledford reports the club's security personnel had removed Jeremy Salazar, 28, of Tularosa, from the club and he was attempting to re-enter when Ledford arrived.

Ledford reports he ordered Salazar to remain in front of the bar. Salazar then reportedly pushed Ledford and Ledford told him to sit on the curb while Ledford went inside to talk to the security personnel.

Ledford reports that Salazar came into the club, shouting obscenities and acting disorderly while he was talking to the security personnel.

Ledford escorted Salazar outside and arrested him for resisting, evading or obstructing an officer and placed him in his patrol car.

Officer Larry Smith also issued a non-traffic citation to Jeremy Johnson, 37, of Alamogordo, for battery. During the incident, Johnson allegedly struck one of the security personnel in the back of the head.

Salazar's wife posted bond for him and he was released.

1:49 a.m. - Officers responded to Win, Place and Show Bar in Midtown for a report of a fight in progress.

Officer Larry Smith arrived and made contact with a man, later identified as Justin Hinkle, 32, of La Luz.

Smith reports Hinkle was bleeding from his left eye. Witnesses reportedly told Smith that Hinkle started the fight.

When Smith asked Hinkle for identification, he responded, "No, I am a United States citizen." Smith reportedly gave Hinkle many opportunities to provide his license, but he continued to refuse.

Smith reports that Hinkle's brother gave him the license.

Smith placed Hinkle under arrest for resisting, evading or obstructing an officer. Hinkle reportedly pulled away from Smith. Smith handcuffed him.

At the Ruidoso Police Department, Hinkle refused medical attention.

Hinkle posted bond and was released.

1:58 p.m. - Officer Steve Corbin responded to the Horton Education Complex (Old Middle School) on Reese Drive for a report of graffiti. Corbin reports someone wrote on the building near the gym entrance with silver paint.

2:01 p.m. - Corporal Aaron Frost responded to a report of a man down in the road at Wingfield and Ridge. Frost reports finding a Native American male carrying a suitcase and a bottle of vodka on the road. Frost reports the man was very unsteady on his feet and fell to the ground, but

then got back up. Frost identified the man as Hewitt Francisco, 21, of Ruidoso. Frost reports Francisco began shouting, yelling and pulling away from him, so Frost handcuffed him and had EMS dispatched to assess Francisco's condition.

EMS cleared Francisco and his aunt, who lives nearby, came to the scene and offered to allow Francisco to come to her home to sleep it off. At the aunt's house, Francisco reportedly became aggressive and combative toward the aunt and the officers. Frost reports the officers took Francisco to the ground and arrested him on charges of resisting, evading or obstructing an officer and disorderly conduct. At the Police Department Francisco's blood alcohol was checked and reportedly showed .27.

Oct. 25

5:13 p.m. - Officer Steve Corbin responded to a report of suspicious activity in the 100 block of Convair. The victim reportedly told Corbin he heard noises in his detached garage and went to investigate. The victim said when he opened the garage door someone sprayed him in the face with pepper spray and pushed past him, escaping. The victim reported that he washed his eyes out with water. Corbin reported that he was unable to locate any pepper spray on the victim or on any of the towels the victim used to wash out his eyes. Corbin reported the victim's right eye was red and watery. A lawnmower the victim reportedly bought at a yard sale was allegedly stolen.

RUIDOSO MAGISTRATE COURT

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\$400 suspended and 182 days of supervised probation.

LaMay also ordered Platta to make \$810 in restitution to Hotel Ruidoso and to not enter their property.

Platta's probation in this case is to run concurrent with his Aug. 16 no contest plea to a charge of minor in possession of alcohol. LaMay sentenced him to

364 days supervised probation for that charge. She also ordered Platta to pay \$173 and issued a bench warrant for him Oct. 21 for failure to report to Adult Probation and Parole in September and failure to provide proof of completing 30 hours of community service, which was part of his sentence in the MIP case.

LaMay ordered Platta to pay an additional \$73 in court costs for the criminal damage to property conviction.

Berson Jim appeared in court and pled not guilty to charges of aggravated battery and interference with communications.

Judge Lorena LaMay found Jim guilty of both charges and on the aggravated battery charge, sentenced him to 364 days in jail, with 304 days suspended and credit for 60 days served, 304 days of supervised probation and a \$1,000 fine, with \$700 suspended.

LaMay sentenced Jim to a suspended 364 days jail sentence for interfering with communication, 364 days of supervised probation, consecutive to the probation for the aggravated battery, and a \$1,000 fine, with \$900 suspended.

LaMay also ordered Jim to pay \$226 in court costs and a \$100 bench warrant fee and ordered Jim to not have any contact with the victim.

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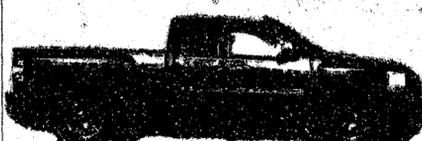
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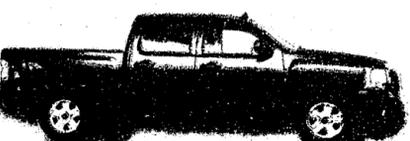
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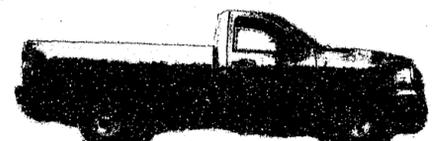
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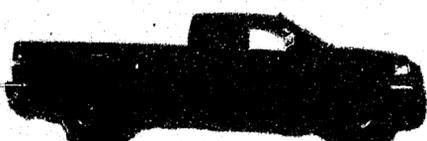
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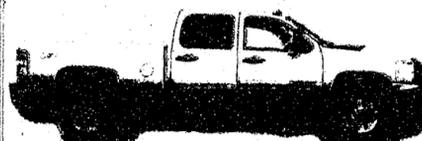
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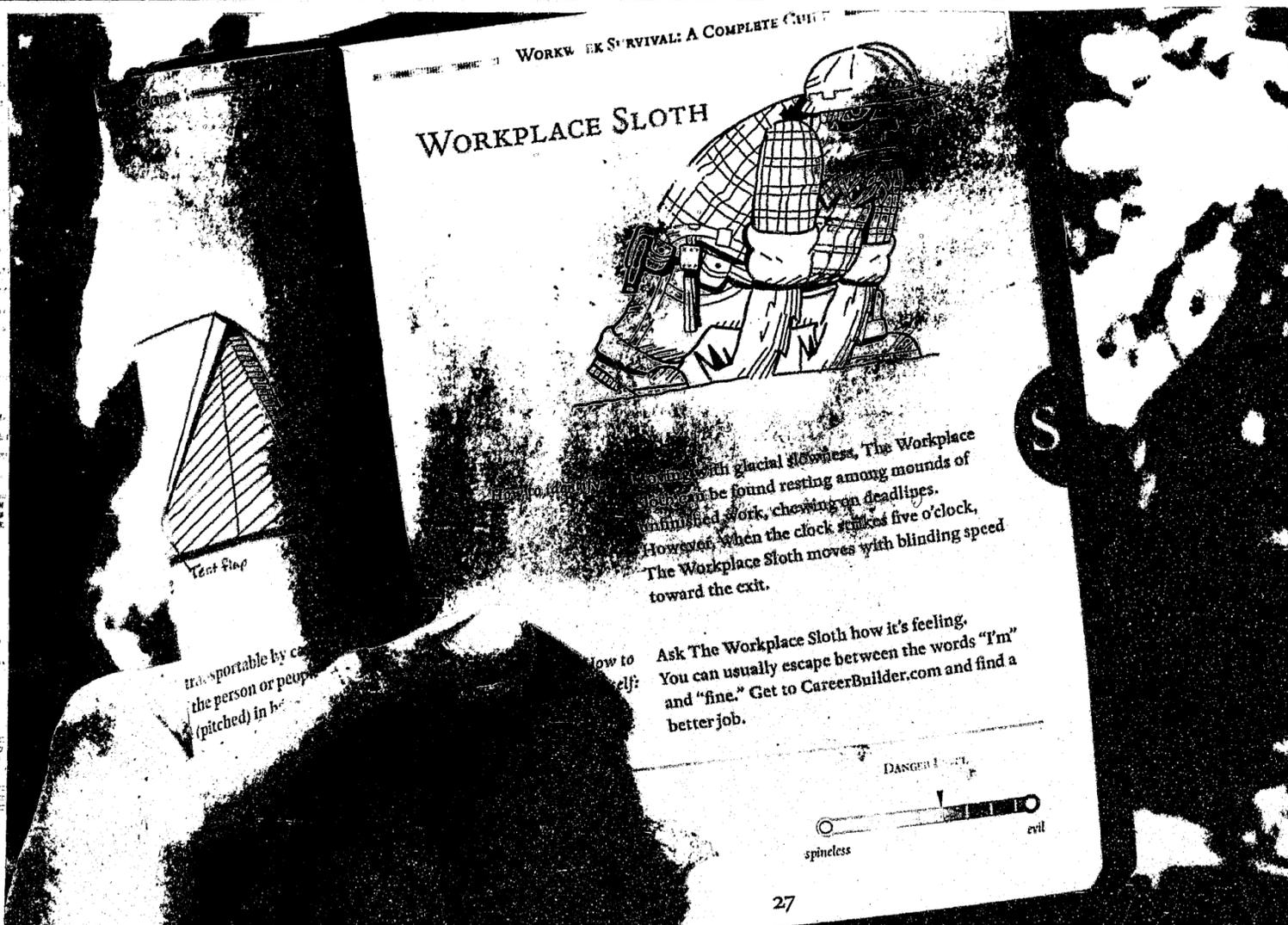
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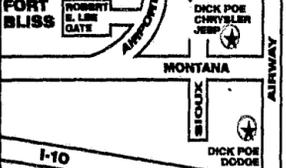


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AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF CAPITAL PROJECTS GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO MAKE CAPITAL EXPENDITURES FOR SENIOR CITIZEN FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS AND ACQUISITIONS, FOR LIBRARY ACQUISITIONS, FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND ACQUISITIONS AT INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND STATE SPECIAL SCHOOLS; PROVIDING FOR A TAX LEVY FOR PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL OF INTEREST ON CERTAIN COSTS RELATED TO THE BONDS; REQUIRING APPROVAL OF THE REGISTERED VOTERS AT THE 2010 GENERAL ELECTION OF THE STATE; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO: Section 1. SHORT TITLE.—This act may be cited as the "2010 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act".

Section 2. PURPOSE.—For the purpose of providing funds for capital expenditures as authorized in the 2010 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act, general obligation indebtedness of the state is authorized for the purposes and in the amounts set forth in Section 10 of that act.

Section 3. BOND TERMS.—A. The state board of finance, except as limited by the 2010 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act, shall determine the terms, covenants and conditions of bonds issued pursuant to that act, including but not limited to:

- (1) date or dates of issue, denominations and maturities;
- (2) principal amounts;
- (3) rate or rates of interest; and
- (4) provisions for redemption, including premiums, registration and refundability, whether the bonds are issued in one or more series and other covenants relating to the bonds and the issuance thereof.

B. The bonds shall be in such form as the state board of finance determines with an appropriate series designation and shall bear interest payable as set forth in the resolution of the state board of finance.

C. Payment of the principal of the bonds shall begin not more than two years after the date of their issuance, and the bonds shall mature not later than ten years after the date of their issuance. Both principal and interest shall be payable in lawful money of the United States at the office of the paying agent within or without the state as the state board of finance may direct.

D. The bonds shall be executed with the manual or facsimile signature of the governor or the state treasurer, and the seal or a facsimile of the seal of the state shall be placed on each bond, except for any series of bonds issued in book entry or similar form without the delivery of physical securities.

E. The bonds shall be issued in accordance with the provisions of the 2010 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act, the Supplemental Public Securities Act and the Uniform Facsimile Signature Act and may be issued in accordance with the Public Securities Short-Term Interest Rate Act.

F. The full faith and credit of the state is pledged for the prompt payment when due of the principal of and interest on all bonds issued and sold pursuant to the 2010 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act.

Section 4. EXPENDITURES.—The proceeds from the sale of the bonds shall be expended solely for providing money to be distributed for the purposes and in amounts not to exceed the amounts set forth in Section 10 of the 2010 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act and to pay expenses incurred under Section 9 of that act. Any proceeds from the sale of the bonds that are not required for the purposes set forth in Sections 6 and 10 of that act shall be used for the purpose of paying the principal of and interest on the bonds.

Section 5. SALE.—The bonds authorized under the 2010 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act shall be sold by the state board of finance at such time and in such manner and amounts as the board may elect. The bonds may be sold at private sale or at public sale, in either case at not less than par plus accrued interest to the date of delivery. If sold at

public sale, the state board of finance shall publish a notice of the time and place of sale in a newspaper of general circulation in the state and may also publish the notice in a recognized financial journal outside the state. The required publications shall be made once each week for two consecutive weeks prior to the date fixed for the sale, the last publication thereof to be at least five days prior to the date of the sale. The notice shall specify the amount, denomination, maturity and description of the bonds to be offered for sale and the place, date and hour at which the sealed bids shall be received. At the time and place specified in the notice, the state board of finance shall open the bids in public and shall award the bonds to the bidder or bidders offering the best price for the bonds. The state board of finance may reject any or all bids and readvertise and may waive any irregularity in a bid. All bids, except that of the state, shall be accompanied by a deposit of two percent of the principal amount of the bonds in a form acceptable to the state board of finance. The deposit of an unsuccessful bidder shall be returned upon rejection of the bid.

The state board of finance may also sell the bonds or any part of the bonds to the state treasurer or state investment officer. The state treasurer or state investment officer is authorized to purchase any of the bonds for investment. The bonds are legal investments for any person or board charged with the investment of any public funds and may be accepted as security for any deposit of public money.

Section 6. EXPENSES.—The expenses incurred by the state board of finance in or relating to the preparation and sale of the bonds shall be paid out of the sale of the bonds, and all rebate, penalty, interest and other obligations of the state relating to the bonds and bond proceeds under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, shall be paid from earnings on bond proceeds or other money of the state, legally available for such payments.

Section 7. TAX LEVY.—To provide for the payment of the principal of and interest on the bonds issued pursuant to the provisions of the 2010 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act, there shall be imposed and levied during each year in which any of the bonds are outstanding an ad valorem tax on all property in the state subject to property taxation for state purposes sufficient to pay the interest as it becomes due on the bonds, together with an amount sufficient to provide a sinking fund to pay the principal of the bonds as it becomes due and, if permitted by law, ad valorem taxes may be collected to pay administrative costs incident to the collection of such taxes. The taxes shall be imposed, levied, assessed and collected at the times and in the manner that other property taxes for state purposes are imposed, levied, assessed and collected.

Section 8. TRUSTEES.—The state treasurer shall keep separate accounts of all money collected pursuant to the taxes imposed and levied pursuant to the provisions of the 2010 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act and shall use this money only for the purposes of paying the principal of and interest on the bonds as they become due and any expenses relating thereto.

Section 9. IRREPEALABLE CONTRACT.—An owner of bonds issued pursuant to the provisions of the 2010 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act may, either at law or in equity, by suit, action or mandamus, enforce and compel the performance of the duties required by that act of any officer or entity mentioned in that act. The provisions of that act constitute an irrevocable contract with the owners of any of the bonds issued pursuant to that act for the faithful performance of which the full faith and credit of the state is pledged. Without reference to any other act of the legislature, the 2010 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act is full authority for the issuance and sale of the bonds authorized in that act, and such bonds shall have all the qualities of investment securities under the Uniform Commercial Code, shall not be invalid for any irregularity or defect in

the proceedings for the issuance and sale of the bonds and shall be incontestable in the hands of bona fide purchasers or holders thereof for value. All bonds issued under the provisions of this act, and the interest thereon, are exempt from taxation by the state and any subdivision or public body thereof.

Section 10. PROJECTS.—The proceeds from the sale of bonds issued under the provisions of the 2010 Capital Projects General Obligation Bond Act shall be distributed as follows for the purposes and in the amounts specified:

- (1) three hundred seventy thousand dollars (\$370,000) to plan, design, renovate and equip the Bear Canyon senior center in Albuquerque in Bernalillo county;
- (2) five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) to plan, design, construct, equip and furnish the Highland senior center in Albuquerque in Bernalillo county;
- (3) five hundred thirty-four thousand dollars (\$534,000) to plan, design, construct, equip and furnish the North Valley senior center in Albuquerque in Bernalillo county;
- (4) one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) to make improvements for building code compliance, including purchase and installation of equipment, to the Rio Bravo meal site in Bernalillo county;
- (5) fourteen thousand dollars (\$14,000) to make improvements for building code compliance, including purchase and installation of equipment, to the Lincoln county center in Lincoln county;
- (6) one million dollars (\$1,000,000) to plan, design, renovate and equip the Tijeras senior center in Bernalillo county;
- (7) fourteen thousand five hundred dollars (\$14,500) to purchase and install meals equipment at Catron countywide senior centers in Catron county;
- (8) twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to purchase and equip vehicles for the Quemado senior center in Catron county;
- (9) one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) to plan, design, construct, equip and furnish the Hageman senior center in Chaves county;
- (10) one hundred two thousand six hundred dollars (\$102,600) to purchase and equip vehicles for the Roswell-Hageman senior centers in Chaves county;
- (11) thirty-five thousand one hundred dollars (\$35,100) to make improvements for building code compliance, including purchase and installation of equipment, to the Grants senior center in Cibola county;
- (12) one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Grants senior center in Cibola county;
- (13) seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500) to plan, design, renovate and equip the Eagle Nest senior center in Colfax county;
- (14) twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to make improvements for building code compliance, including purchase and installation of equipment, to the Grants senior center in Cibola county;
- (15) one hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000) to plan, design, renovate and equip the Rio Rancho senior center in Sandoval county;
- (16) ninety thousand dollars (\$90,000) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Mora and Wagon Mound senior centers in Mora county;
- (17) one hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000) to plan, design, renovate and equip the Mesalero Apache senior center in Otero county;
- (18) seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500) to purchase and install equipment at the Tucuman senior center in Grant county;
- (19) one hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Tucuman senior center in Grant county;
- (20) ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to make improvements for building code compliance, including purchase and installation of equipment, to the Chama senior center in Rio Arriba county;
- (21) ten thousand two hundred dollars (\$10,200) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Chama senior center in Rio Arriba county;
- (22) one thousand one hundred dollars (\$1,100) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Eunice senior center in Lea county;
- (23) one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Hobbs senior center in Lea county;
- (24) ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Espanola senior center in Rio Arriba county;
- (25) twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Espanola senior center in Rio Arriba county;
- (26) twenty-eight thousand dollars (\$28,000) to purchase and equip vehicles for the Jicarilla Apache Nation senior center in Rio Arriba county;
- (27) five hundred dollars (\$500) to purchase and equip vehicles for the Jicarilla Apache Nation senior center in Rio Arriba county;
- (28) one hundred twenty-eight thousand dollars (\$128,000) to plan, design, construct, equip and furnish the Ohkay Owingeh senior center in Rio Arriba county;
- (29) one hundred thirty-four thousand dollars (\$134,000) to purchase and equip vehicles for the Rio Arriba countywide senior centers in Rio Arriba county;
- (30) sixty-six thousand dollars (\$66,000) to purchase and equip vehicles for the Los Alamos senior center in Los Alamos county;
- (31) six thousand five hundred dollars (\$6,500) to make improvements for building code compliance, including purchase and installation of equipment, to the Baca chapter senior center on the Navajo Nation in McKinley county;
- (32) eighteen thousand five hundred dollars (\$18,500) to purchase and install equipment at the Gallup citywide senior centers in McKinley county;
- (33) thirty-six thousand dollars (\$36,000) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Nahodishgish chapter senior center on the Navajo Nation in McKinley county;
- (34) forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) to make improvements for building code compliance, including purchase and installation of equipment, to the Shiprock chapter senior center on the Navajo Nation in San Juan county;
- (35) one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) to make improvements for building code compliance, including purchase and installation of equipment, to the Lake Valley chapter senior center on the Navajo Nation in San Juan county;
- (36) sixty-three thousand dollars (\$63,000) to make improvements for building code compliance, including purchase and installation of equipment, to the Huerfano chapter senior center on the Navajo Nation in San Juan county;
- (37) one thousand six hundred dollars (\$1,600) to make improvements for building code compliance, including purchase and installation of equipment, to the Sierra joint office of aging in Sierra county;
- (38) ten thousand three hundred dollars (\$10,300) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Truth or Consequences senior center in Sierra county;
- (39) two hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$220,000) to plan, design, construct, equip and furnish the Alamo chapter senior center on the Navajo Nation in Socorro county;
- (40) thirty-seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$37,500) to make improvements for building code compliance, including purchase and installation of equipment, to the Socorro senior center in Socorro county;
- (41) twenty-six thousand dollars (\$26,000) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Socorro senior center in Socorro county;
- (42) ten thousand five hundred dollars (\$10,500) to plan, design, renovate and equip the Corrales senior center in Sandoval county;
- (43) three hundred dollars (\$300) to plan, design, construct, equip and furnish the Mesalero Apache senior center in Otero county;
- (44) seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500) to purchase and install equipment at the Tucuman senior center in Grant county;
- (45) twenty-two thousand dollars (\$22,000) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Tucuman senior center in Grant county;
- (46) twenty-two thousand five hundred

dollars (\$22,500) to plan, design, renovate and equip the Tucuman senior center in Quay county;- (47) five thousand three hundred dollars (\$5,300) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Tucuman and House senior centers in Quay county;
- (48) fifty-four thousand six hundred dollars (\$54,600) to make improvements for building code compliance, including purchase and installation of equipment, to the Santa Clara senior center in Grant county;
- (49) fifty-one thousand dollars (\$51,000) to plan, design, renovate and equip La Loma senior center in Grant county;
- (50) one thousand one hundred dollars (\$1,100) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Eunice senior center in Lea county;
- (51) one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Espanola senior center in Rio Arriba county;
- (52) twenty-eight thousand dollars (\$28,000) to purchase and equip vehicles for the Jicarilla Apache Nation senior center in Rio Arriba county;
- (53) twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to make improvements for building code compliance, including purchase and installation of equipment, to the Hondo Valley senior center in Lincoln county;
- (54) one hundred twenty-eight thousand dollars (\$128,000) to plan, design, construct, equip and furnish the Ohkay Owingeh senior center in Rio Arriba county;
- (55) one hundred thirty-four thousand dollars (\$134,000) to purchase and equip vehicles for the Rio Arriba countywide senior centers in Rio Arriba county;
- (56) sixty-six thousand dollars (\$66,000) to purchase and equip vehicles for the Los Alamos senior center in Los Alamos county;
- (57) six thousand five hundred dollars (\$6,500) to make improvements for building code compliance, including purchase and installation of equipment, to the Baca chapter senior center on the Navajo Nation in McKinley county;
- (58) eighteen thousand five hundred dollars (\$18,500) to purchase and install equipment at the Gallup citywide senior centers in McKinley county;
- (59) one thousand six hundred dollars (\$1,600) to make improvements for building code compliance, including purchase and installation of equipment, to the Sierra joint office of aging in Sierra county;
- (60) ten thousand three hundred dollars (\$10,300) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Truth or Consequences senior center in Sierra county;
- (61) two hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$220,000) to plan, design, construct, equip and furnish the Alamo chapter senior center on the Navajo Nation in Socorro county;
- (62) thirty-seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$37,500) to make improvements for building code compliance, including purchase and installation of equipment, to the Socorro senior center in Socorro county;
- (63) twenty-six thousand dollars (\$26,000) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Socorro senior center in Socorro county;
- (64) ten thousand five hundred dollars (\$10,500) to plan, design, renovate and equip the Corrales senior center in Sandoval county;
- (65) three hundred dollars (\$300) to plan, design, construct, equip and furnish the Mesalero Apache senior center in Otero county;
- (66) seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500) to purchase and install equipment at the Tucuman senior center in Grant county;
- (67) twenty-two thousand dollars (\$22,000) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Tucuman senior center in Grant county;
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dollars (\$22,500) to plan, design, renovate and equip the Tucuman senior center in Quay county;- (69) forty-two thousand dollars (\$42,000) to purchase and equip vehicles for the Sandoval countywide senior centers in Sandoval county;
- (70) five thousand three hundred dollars (\$5,300) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Tucuman and House senior centers in Quay county;
- (71) seven thousand three hundred dollars (\$7,300) to purchase and install equipment at the Pueblo of Zia senior center in Sandoval county;
- (72) two hundred seventy thousand dollars (\$270,000) to make improvements for building code compliance, including purchase and installation of equipment, to the Pueblo of Zia senior center in Sandoval county;
- (73) three thousand dollars (\$3,000) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Pueblo of Zia senior center in Sandoval county;
- (74) sixty-five thousand dollars (\$65,000) to make improvements for building code compliance, including purchase and installation of equipment, to the Pueblo of Zia senior center in Sandoval county;
- (75) five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Pueblo of Zia senior center in Sandoval county;
- (76) five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Pueblo of Zia senior center in Sandoval county;
- (77) forty-two thousand dollars (\$42,000) to purchase and equip vehicles for the Pueblo of Zia senior center in Sandoval county;
- (78) four thousand two hundred dollars (\$4,200) to make improvements for building code compliance, including purchase and installation of equipment, to the Pueblo of San Ildefonso senior center in Santa Fe county;
- (79) two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) to purchase and equip vehicles for the Pueblo of San Ildefonso senior center in Santa Fe county;
- (80) seventy-three thousand dollars (\$73,000) to plan, design, renovate and equip the Mary Esther Gonzalez senior center in Santa Fe in Santa Fe county;
- (81) one hundred twenty-six thousand dollars (\$126,000) to purchase and equip vehicles for the Sierra joint office of aging in Sierra county;
- (82) ten thousand three hundred dollars (\$10,300) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Truth or Consequences senior center in Sierra county;
- (83) two hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$220,000) to plan, design, construct, equip and furnish the Alamo chapter senior center on the Navajo Nation in Socorro county;
- (84) thirty-seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$37,500) to make improvements for building code compliance, including purchase and installation of equipment, to the Socorro senior center in Socorro county;
- (85) twenty-six thousand dollars (\$26,000) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Socorro senior center in Socorro county;
- (86) ten thousand five hundred dollars (\$10,500) to plan, design, renovate and equip the Corrales senior center in Sandoval county;
- (87) three hundred dollars (\$300) to plan, design, construct, equip and furnish the Mesalero Apache senior center in Otero county;
- (88) seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500) to purchase and install equipment at the Tucuman senior center in Grant county;
- (89) twenty-two thousand dollars (\$22,000) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Tucuman senior center in Grant county;
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dollars (\$22,500) to plan, design, renovate and equip the Tucuman senior center in Quay county;- (91) forty-two thousand dollars (\$42,000) to purchase and equip vehicles for the Sandoval countywide senior centers in Sandoval county;
- (92) five thousand three hundred dollars (\$5,300) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Tucuman and House senior centers in Quay county;
- (93) seven thousand three hundred dollars (\$7,300) to purchase and install equipment at the Pueblo of Zia senior center in Sandoval county;
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- (100) four thousand two hundred dollars (\$4,200) to make improvements for building code compliance, including purchase and installation of equipment, to the Pueblo of San Ildefonso senior center in Santa Fe county;
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- (103) one hundred twenty-six thousand dollars (\$126,000) to purchase and equip vehicles for the Sierra joint office of aging in Sierra county;
- (104) ten thousand three hundred dollars (\$10,300) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Truth or Consequences senior center in Sierra county;
- (105) two hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$220,000) to plan, design, construct, equip and furnish the Alamo chapter senior center on the Navajo Nation in Socorro county;
- (106) thirty-seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$37,500) to make improvements for building code compliance, including purchase and installation of equipment, to the Socorro senior center in Socorro county;
- (107) twenty-six thousand dollars (\$26,000) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Socorro senior center in Socorro county;
- (108) ten thousand five hundred dollars (\$10,500) to plan, design, renovate and equip the Corrales senior center in Sandoval county;
- (109) three hundred dollars (\$300) to plan, design, construct, equip and furnish the Mesalero Apache senior center in Otero county;
- (110) seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500) to purchase and install equipment at the Tucuman senior center in Grant county;
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- (114) five thousand three hundred dollars (\$5,300) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Tucuman and House senior centers in Quay county;
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- (174) ten thousand five hundred dollars (\$10,500) to plan, design, renovate and equip the Corrales senior center in Sandoval county;
- (175) three hundred dollars (\$300) to plan, design, construct, equip and furnish the Mesalero Apache senior center in Otero county;
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- (197) three hundred dollars (\$300) to plan, design, construct, equip and furnish the Mesalero Apache senior center in Otero county;
- (198) seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500) to purchase and install equipment at the Tucuman senior center in Grant county;
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- (203) seven thousand three hundred dollars (\$7,300) to purchase and install equipment at the Pueblo of Zia senior center in Sandoval county;
- (204) two hundred seventy thousand dollars (\$270,000) to make improvements for building code compliance, including purchase and installation of equipment, to the Pueblo of Zia senior center in Sandoval county;
- (205) three thousand dollars (\$3,000) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Pueblo of Zia senior center in Sandoval county;
- (206) sixty-five thousand dollars (\$65,000) to make improvements for building code compliance, including purchase and installation of equipment, to the Pueblo of Zia senior center in Sandoval county;
- (207) five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Pueblo of Zia senior center in Sandoval county;
- (208) five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Pueblo of Zia senior center in Sandoval county;
- (209) forty-two thousand dollars (\$42,000) to purchase and equip vehicles for the Pueblo of Zia senior center in Sandoval county;
- (210) four thousand two hundred dollars (\$4,200) to make improvements for building code compliance, including purchase and installation of equipment, to the Pueblo of San Ildefonso senior center in Santa Fe county;
- (211) two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) to purchase and equip vehicles for the Pueblo of San Ildefonso senior center in Santa Fe county;
- (212) seventy-three thousand dollars (\$73,000) to plan, design, renovate and equip the Mary Esther Gonzalez senior center in Santa Fe in Santa Fe county;
- (213) one hundred twenty-six thousand dollars (\$126,000) to purchase and equip vehicles for the Sierra joint office of aging in Sierra county;
- (214) ten thousand three hundred dollars (\$10,300) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Truth or Consequences senior center in Sierra county;
- (215) two hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$220,000) to plan, design, construct, equip and furnish the Alamo chapter senior center on the Navajo Nation in Socorro county;
- (216) thirty-seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$37,500) to make improvements for building code compliance, including purchase and installation of equipment, to the Socorro senior center in Socorro county;
- (217) twenty-six thousand dollars (\$26,000) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Socorro senior center in Socorro county;
- (218) ten thousand five hundred dollars (\$10,500) to plan, design, renovate and equip the Corrales senior center in Sandoval county;
- (219) three hundred dollars (\$300) to plan, design, construct, equip and furnish the Mesalero Apache senior center in Otero county;
- (220) seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500) to purchase and install equipment at the Tucuman senior center in Grant county;
- (221) twenty-two thousand dollars (\$22,000) to purchase and install meals equipment at the Tucuman senior center in Grant county;
- (222) twenty-two thousand five hundred

dollars (\$22,500) to plan, design, renovate and equip the Tucuman senior center in Quay county;- (223) forty-two thousand dollars (\$42,000) to purchase and equip vehicles for the Sandoval countywide senior centers in Sandoval county;
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THIS WEEKEND

Mike Kelly

*Singer/songwriter
performs in his
native Ruidoso
tonight*



Musician Mike Kelly comes back to his hometown of Ruidoso to perform Friday at the Club House Lounge, 1137 Mechem Dr., at 8 p.m.

Kelly's musical career began here as a young man, although his travels have taken him throughout much of the U.S.

His current CD titled *Wake The Dead* includes reference to his time spent in Ruidoso with songs such

as, "When It Rains In Ruidoso" and "Drinking Downtown."

Wake The Dead offers listeners the satisfaction of country music, seasoned with the energy of a more contemporary sound.

"I like all kinds of music," Kelly commented in a recent interview for ¡Vamos! – The Radio Show. "Country, rock, pop – I like them all."

Just last year, Kelly sur-

vived a serious health crisis, which, upon his recovery, inspired him to pursue his musical career with a deeper determination.

"Before that, I had always done everything only halfway and never finished everything," he said. "I started chasing after something different."

For more information, go online to officialmikekelly.com.

J. Hanson, Editor

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Cover Story



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Halloween Pet Costume Contest

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Spook House and The Fallen

Oct. 29 – 30: (Ruidoso) Spook House opens at 6 p.m., curtain rise at 7 p.m. Tickets \$5 at Ruidoso Chamber of Commerce, 720 Sudderth Dr. *The Fallen* is written, scored and directed by RHS students. For information, call Georgene Inks at 575-258-4910 ext. 239 or email inksg@ruidososchools.org.

Day of the Dead Celebration

Oct. 29: (Carrizozo) Carrizozo Clay, 413 12th St., 5 – 7 p.m. Artist reception and refreshments with potter Nancy Phillips. For information, call 575-973-3616.

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Oct. 30: (Ruidoso) 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.; First Christian Church, 1211 Hull Rd. For more information, call 575-258-4250.

Nob Hill Fall Family Fun Fest

Oct. 30: (Ruidoso) Ruidoso Convention Center. For information, call 575-257-9041.

Halloween Party

Oct. 30: (White Oaks) 7 p.m., No Scum Allowed. Noisy River performs at 8 p.m. Cash prizes for best costume and more. For information, call 575-648-5583.

Halloween Dance and Costume Party

Oct. 30: (Mescalero) Club Dead at Inn of the Mountain Gods, 8 p.m. For information, call 464-7777

Writer's Meeting Group

Oct. 30: (Tularosa) Coffee and More, 308 Granada. For more information, call 575-585-4575.

Halloween at the Park

Oct. 31: (Capitan) Smo-

key Bear Historical Park, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. All ages: Games, prizes, candy and Haunted Forest. Bring a flashlight and camera. For information, call 575-354-2748.

Halloween Costume Party

Oct. 31: (Carrizozo) Gallery 408, 408 12th St., noon – 5 p.m. Tricks, treats and Painted Burro coloring books for kids. Come in costume. For information, call 575-648-2598, or go online to gallery408.com.

Halloween Night Scary Movie

Oct. 31: (Carrizozo) Carrizozo Heritage Hall, 103 12th St., 7 p.m. Free admission. For information, call 575-648-2191.

Fall Fashion Event

Nov. 6: (Alto) The Guild of Spencer Theater presents A Fall Fashion Event with champagne, chocolate, cheese and fashions at 3 p.m. For information, call 575-336-4800.

Miss Ruidoso Pageant

Nov. 6: (Ruidoso) 2011 winner will be crowned at 8 p.m., following a dinner at 7 p.m. Reservations required. Call Mountain Annie's Dinner Theatre at 575-257-7982.

11th Annual Toy Run Fundraiser

Nov. 7: (Ruidoso) Fundraiser for Santa's Helpers. Parade at noon followed by music, auction and more at The Quarters. \$3. For information, call 575-336-4629.

Annual Christmas Jubilee

Nov. 12 - 14: (Ruidoso) Convention Center; Fri.,

Noon – 6 p.m., Sat., 10 – 6 p.m., Sun., 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. Admission \$1, children under 12 free. For more information, call Bev Reynolds at 336-8206.

Western Frontier Mountain Gun Show

Nov. 20 - 21: (Ruidoso) Ruidoso Evening Lions Club event at Ruidoso Convention Center. Sat., 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.; Sun., 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. For information, call 575-258-5445.

Ski Apache Opening Day

Nov. 25: (Alto) For more information, call 575-464-3600, or go online to www.skiapache.com.

Annual Lighting of the Village

Nov. 26: (Ruidoso) Festival of Light event. For more information, call 575-257-7395.

Mescalero Arts & Crafts Show

Nov. 27 - 28: (Mescalero) Inn of the Mountain Gods; 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Local arts and crafts. For information, call 1-877-277-4577.

LCCT performances

Dec. 2 - 4, 9 - 11: (Ruidoso) *Christmas Shorts - An Evening of One Act Plays* at Cree Meadows Country Club. For information, call 575-336-1530.

Cowboy Christmas Ball

Dec. 11: (Ruidoso) Dinner 6 p.m. followed by dancing to the music of Jody Nix & The Texas Cowboys, 8 – 11 p.m. Sponsored by The Lincoln County Sheriff's Posse. For more information, call 575-257-7982.

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Casa de Sueños (35 St. Francis Dr., Tularosa; 585-3494): Angelor Ghost, 6:30 p.m.

Club 49 (Inn of the Mountain Gods Resort and Casino): Triple Jack, 8 p.m.

Cree Meadows Country Club (301 Country Club Dr.; 257-CREE): Terry Bullard Band, 7 p.m.

Elena's Place (2800 Sudderth Dr., 630-8022): Brad & Ruth Barnum, 7:30 p.m.(downstairs)

Kokopelli Country Club (201 High Mesa Rd., Alto; 336-1818): Michael Beyer/jazz, country, rock, 7 – 10 p.m.

Landlocked Grill (441 Mechem Dr.; 257-9559): Tomás Vigil, 6 p.m.

Mountain Annie's (2710 Sudderth Dr.; 257-7982): Staerkel Master Musicians; 8 p.m.

Wendell's Lounge (Inn of the Mountain Gods Resort and Casino): Doug Fuqua and pianist Michael Francis perform on alternate weekends, 5 – 11 p.m.

Wendell's Restaurant (IMG) Mike Sunjka, 5-10 p.m.

Win, Place & Show (2516 Sudderth Dr.; 257-9982): The Mixx, 8:30 p.m.

SATURDAY

Casa Blanca (501 Mechem Dr.; 257-2495): Frank Zona and Urban Edge, 7 – 10:30 p.m.

Club 49 (Inn of the Mountain Gods Resort and Casino): Triple Jack, 8 p.m.

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Texas Club (212 Metz Dr.; 258-3325): Skooter Jones, 7 p.m.

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Frank Zona plays Casa Blanca

Frank Zona plays a special Halloween weekend gig at Casa Blanca Saturday night beginning at 7.

Zona is a veteran saxophonist and composer currently based in El Paso, Texas, fronting his own smooth/Contemporary Jazz group, Frank Zona & Urban Edge.

Frank plays tenor, alto and soprano Saxophones and Wind Synthesizer. Frank plays Selmer saxophones exclusively.

Frank's style has been described as soulful, melodic and easily recognizable.

His group plays the top venues and festivals in West Texas and New Mexico winning critical acclaim from Jazz El Paso Connection reviewer K. Vaughn, who wrote: "Frank's group and his music are the stuff of Las

Vegas-type entertainment. Very tight, very cool."

El Paso's KTEP radio Jazz programming host Dennis Woo is a big fan.

In 2009 the band released its first CD: *Frank Zona and Urban Edge Live!* The CD is currently getting frequent airplay on KTEP's Jazz show and is being distributed on the Internet at CDBaby.com.

Frank studied Saxophone and Clarinet under New York Jazz legend Joe Manzone, University of Illinois Woodwind Professor, Dr. Ralph Athey and the Dick Grove School of Music. He has been a frequent contributor to school Jazz programs in the El Paso area, providing guidance and instruction to young Jazz program students.

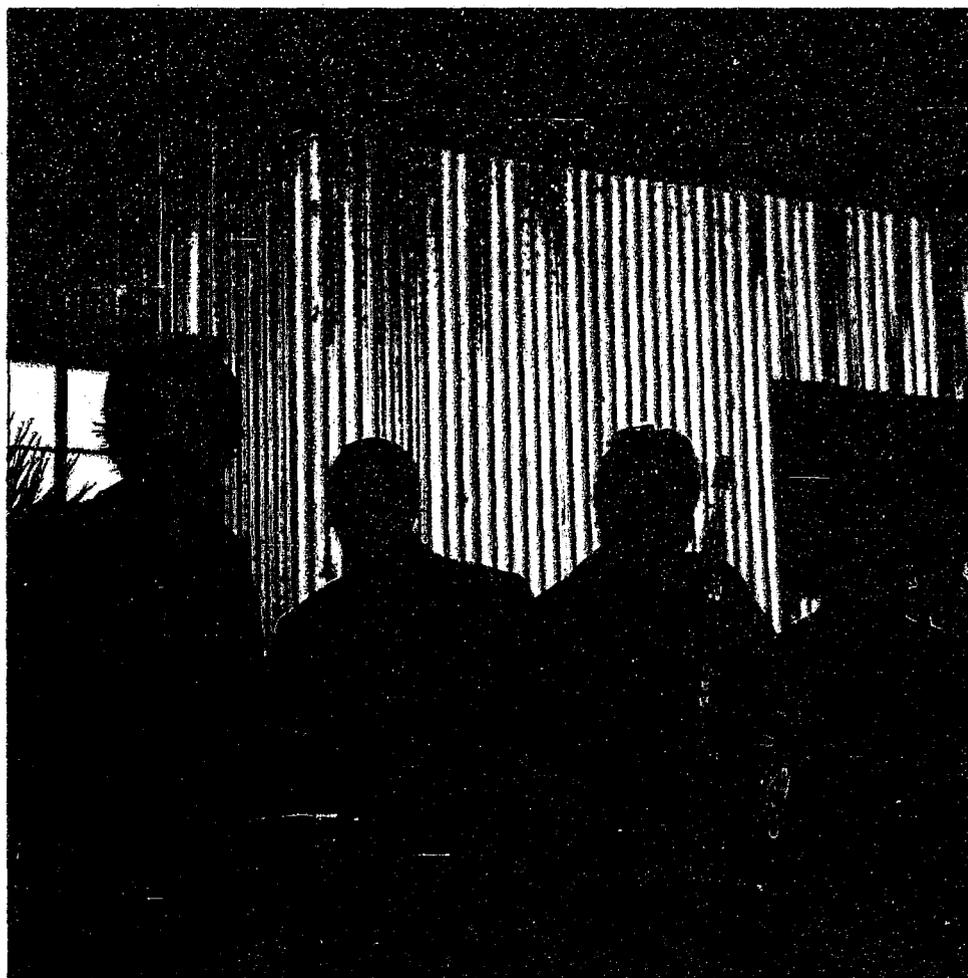
Before forming his own group, Frank performed

with a number of jazz and R&B groups in New York, Illinois, Texas, New Mexico and Las Vegas.

Frank has performed in opening acts for International stars such as The Grass Roots, The Fabulous Thunderbirds and James Brown. Recently, Frank has joined forces with Ruidoso's own recording artist Rich Chorne to perform at special concerts and events.

One of Frank's more notable recording sessions was contributing to Dorothy Ellis' release: *Bad Prospects*. This CD was voted best Indie produced Blues CD in 2008.

In 2008 Frank shared the stage with Jazz icons Dave Koz, Candy Dulfer, Najee, Richard Elliot, and Brian Simpson. Winning the "2008 KOZ IDOL" competition.



ART MATTERS

The tres artistas go painting

'plein aire' painting entices these friends to explore Lincoln County

BY LYN KIDDER
FOR ¡VÁMONOS!

If you see three women off in a field, by a railroad track or on a corner, busily working at their easels, it might be Anita Keegan, Barbara Bush and Suzy Goza – a.k.a. the Tres Artistas.

The work of the Tres Artistas is on display at the Lincoln County Courthouse in Carrizozo until Nov. 15. It was while painting on the streets of Carrizozo that they were invited to display their work.

"*Plein aire* is the process in which the painting is done outside, on site," Goza explained. "Ideally, 80 percent of the painting is completed on the scene. The Impressionist artists worked this way in the late 1800s. New Mexico is the perfect place to practice *plein aire* – big vistas, clean air and dramatic skies provide interesting subject matter

and plenty of challenges." Challenges include weather – like summer thunderstorms – and interested bystanders, although the latter are always welcome.

"We were painting some industrial buildings in Roswell and went inside the courthouse to take a break," Goza said. "When the guard found out that we were painters, he took us on a tour of the beautiful courthouse."

"We're all good friends, so we have a lot to talk about, but we find that all the talking stops once we are set up and the brushes are out," Bush said.

"Sometimes two hours go by before one of us 'comes up for air' – so to speak."

They start early to take advantage of the light and try to discover new locations.

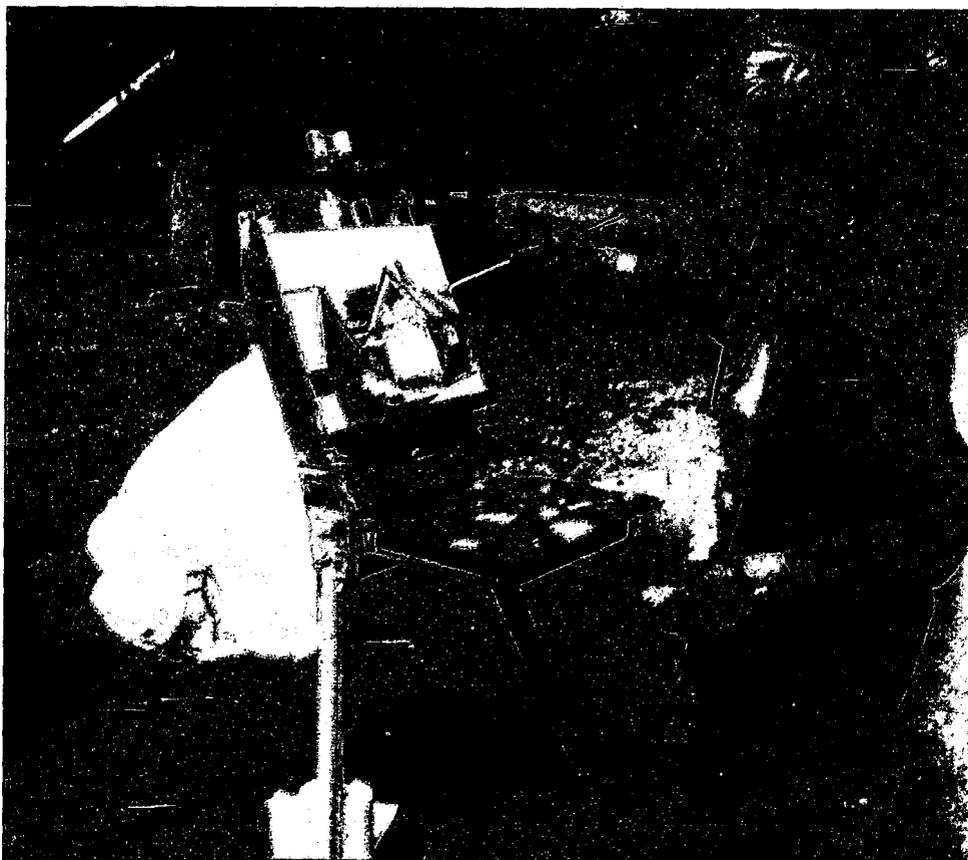
"We paint all over Lincoln County, including Hondo Valley, Nogal and Lincoln. We've also gone

to Tularosa. We've been up Ski Run Road, where the wild horses hang out and we go to Monjeau during the spring and summer," Keegan said.

But the bottom line is that, for the Tres Artistas, *plein aire* painting is just plain fun, according to Goza.

"Good days aren't about the successes or failures, but rather about the spirit of painting and the fun of learning from each other. I'm always amazed that no matter how lousy the conditions are, we manage to ignore them, at least long enough to get an impression down."

Art Matters
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Nancy Phillips**Artist reception and Day of the Dead celebration**

Carrizozo Clay presents a Day of the Dead celebration and artist reception for potter Nancy Phillips on Friday, Oct. 29, from 5 - 7 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

"My work consists primarily of hand-built forms in clay," Phillips states. "I choose firing and glazing techniques which allow strong statements of color." "My work is influenced by the traditions of folk art with a visual emphasis on exaggeration, spontaneity, activeness, and whimsy," she continues. "Pottery is a path of creative expression and my journey of self-discovery.

"The clocks, garden stakes and mosaics have always been in my inventory. They become some-

thing different after a period of time. Now, my work is influenced by the holiday of El Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead). I like what Jose Guadalupe Posada did with his skeleton illustrations in the late-1800s. His influence still lives on in my work," the artist concludes.

Those who attend the reception in costume are eligible to win one of Nancy Phillips' ceramic creations. For more information, call 973-3616.

J. Hanson, Editor

Call for Artists

Carrizozo artists are invited to bring up to five pieces of artwork for display in Gallery 408's holiday show from Nov. 20 - Jan. 3. Call 648-2598 by Nov. 1 to participate.



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When strange bones are discovered in a muddy Kansas river bank, paleontologists set out to investigate a mystery "buried in time."

Through ultra-realistic 3-D computer animation, the team takes viewers along as they work to solve an 82 million year-old mystery during the Cretaceous era, when the

sea was dominated by giant marine reptiles, some as large as present-day whales.

The film follows a curious and adventurous female Dolichorhynchops (a seal-like reptile) – familiarly known as "Dolly" – and her offspring, as she travels through the most dangerous oceans in history during the Age of Dinosaurs. It's a time of long-necked

plesiosaurs, giant turtles, enormous fish, fierce sharks and, the most dangerous sea monsters of all, the mosasaur.

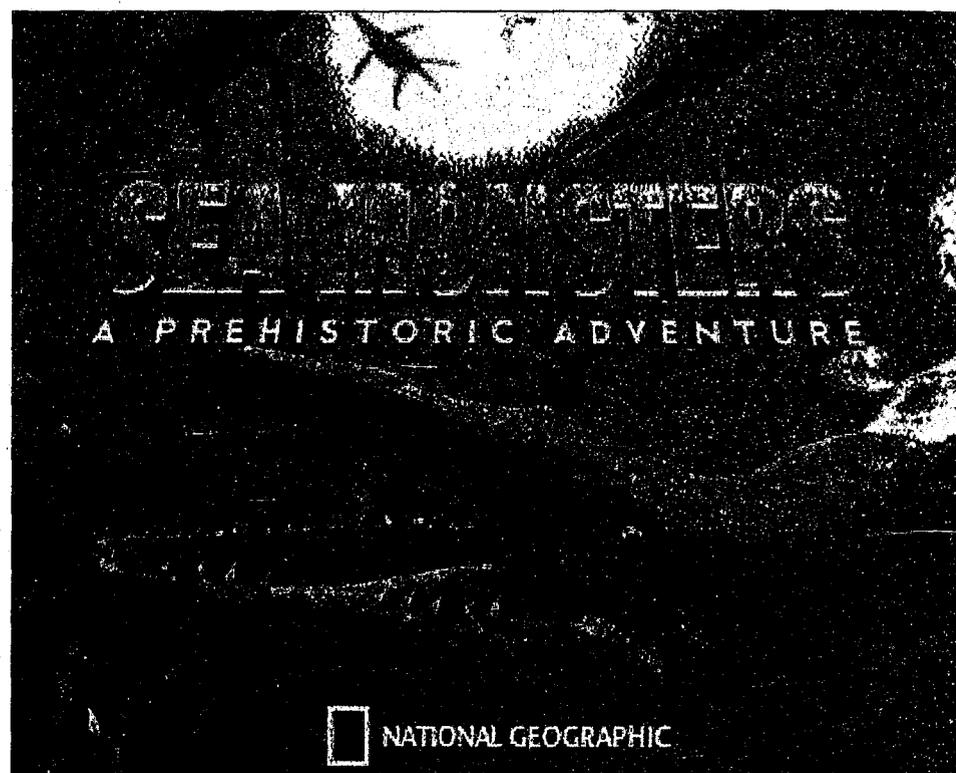
Live-action re-creations of actual paleontological digs are intercut throughout, revealing the scientific basis for each animated episode. In the end, the bones in Kansas turn out to be those of the Dolichorhynchops.

Sea Monsters is currently showing at the IMAX Clyde W. Tombaugh Dome Theater at the New Mexico Space Museum.

Scheduled show times are Monday – Sunday, at 11 a.m., 1 p.m., 3 p.m., and 5 p.m. (subject to change).

Approximate running time is 40 minutes.

For more information, prices and to confirm show times, call 575-437-2840 or 1-877-333-6589, or go online to www.nmspace-museum.org.



Viewers follow the story of a female Dolichorhynchops in the National Geographic movie titled Sea Monsters now showing at the IMAX theatre in Alamogordo.



FILM NEWS

Blood Brothers shooting in Albuquerque

The World Wrestling Entertainment Studios production of *Blood Brothers* began shooting in Albuquerque in October and is expected to hire about 140 New Mexicans for the cast and crew.

WWE Studios executive vice president Michael Pavone will direct *Blood Brothers* from his original screenplay.

In the film, the Cleary brothers, Sam (John Cena), Leo (Ethan Embry) and Douglas (Boyd Holbrook) take dysfunctional families to a new level. Sam and Leo grew up hating each

other and neither likes their juvenile delinquent kid brother, Douglas, to whom they've only recently been introduced. The sons share the same father, a womanizing drunk, but all have different mothers.

Their father died a rich man and when they're brought together by their sister Nina (Amy Smart) to learn which of them will inherit the old man's fortune, they are handed an unpleasant surprise.

A requirement of the will is that the three estranged siblings go into business together. Their

first job is to bring in a parole violator, who has left Leo, a bail bondsman, with a \$250,000 debt. Their search will take them into the mountains of Mexico where they encounter a drug lord and uncover a kidnapping plot, masterminded by an embittered entrepreneur (Michael Rispoli) that will endanger them all.

Writer-director Pavone has produced *Bending the Rules*, *The Chaperone*, *Knuckle-head*, *Inside Out* and the recently released *Legendary*, starring Danny Glover.

Tiger Eyes shoots in New Mexico

Tiger Eyes, an adaptation of the young adult novel by best-selling author Judy Blume, is being shot in New Mexico. Gov. Bill Richardson has announced.

The production is shooting in Santa Fe, Albuquerque and Los Alamos is expected to hire more than 100 New Mexico cast and crew.

"Judy Blume's novels are known throughout the world for their character-driven, relatable stories that take on real-life issues, and I am sure this will be a tremendous success,"

Richardson said. *Tiger Eyes* is set in and around Los Alamos, and I am pleased that the production will stay true to its New Mexico roots."

Tiger Eyes tells the story of a teenage girl, Davey Wexler, struggling to deal with the murder of her father. Seeking a fresh start, Davey's mother moves her and her little brother to Los Alamos to live with relatives.

While climbing in the canyon, Davey meets the mysterious Wolf, who helps her find a way to get on with her life.

Judy says, "I'm thrilled this dream is finally coming true. Larry has wanted to direct the film version of *Tiger Eyes*, since he was at film school. Sometimes it pays to wait. I look forward to seeing my characters come to life on the big screen. All but three of 31 actors in our movie live and work in New Mexico."

The film stars Willa Holland in the forthcoming *Straw Dogs*, and Tatanka Means of *The Burrowers*. It is directed by Lawrence Blume. The screenplay was written by Judy Blume and Lawrence Blume.

State film office moves

The State of New Mexico Film Office is moving to the campus of Santa Fe University of Art and Design, Director Lisa Strout says.

The move is expected to be completed by the end of the week.

"We're excited to join the campus community at the Santa Fe University of Art and Design. I believe this will be a great fit with the school's focus on arts and creativity," said Strout. The university has offered the film office the opportunity to lease vacant office space for five years at \$1 per year. Volunteers from the film industry are helping with the move.

"Our new location puts us in a terrific environment with access to a state-of-the-art theater and sound-stage facilities," added Strout. "Insofar as a main focus of the Film Office is to support up-and-coming local filmmakers, I am confident this will benefit not only the university and

its students but also open opportunities for other New Mexico filmmakers. All while saving taxpayers money that would otherwise be spent on lease payments."

Santa Fe University of Art and Design, formerly the College of Santa Fe, offers a Moving Image Arts program chaired by Harry Mathias, an Academy Award-nominated cinematographer.

The program integrates film and digital production with critical studies and writing. The university also offers access to Garson Studios, a well-known sound stage studio used regularly for the production of major motion pictures by the film industry, and is home of The Screen, a 170-seat cinema which offers great works of world cinema to students and the general public on a daily basis.

"We are very pleased to welcome the New Mexico Film Office to the

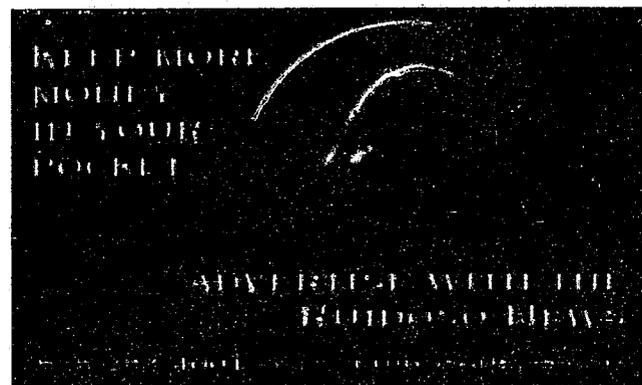
campus. The potential synergies will benefit not only our faculty, students and alumni, but also the community of Santa Fe," said John S. Gordon, president of Santa Fe University of Art and Design.

"The university is proud of the fine films that have been produced in our facilities and we want that tradition to carry on into the future. We're also proud of the role that The Screen plays in the education of our students and the life of our community. Both Garson Studios and The Screen enhance the university's growing impact on our local economy."

Garson Studios is a 32,000-square-foot sound-stage facility that film legend Greer Garson funded in 1989. Most recent films produced at the Studios include major motion pictures such as Steven Soderbergh's *Knockout*, the Coen brothers' *True Grit*, and DreamWorks' *Cowboys & Aliens*.

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COVER STORY

Cycling to health and prosperity

Can Ruidoso get with the program?

BY MICHAEL CURRAN
FOR ¡VÁMONOS!

A young baseball player once complained to his hitting instructor that the pitching machine wasn't delivering the balls where he liked them to be.

The instructor said to the student, "Young sir, if you want to become more productive you're going to have to learn to take what is offered to you, make do and capitalize on it."

This statement could just as well be applied to other sports, as well as our personal lives and local economic growth potentials.

Ruidoso, with its friendly climate, topography, altitude and scenic wonder, offers possibilities not yet tapped or considered. One such potentiality is the sport of sanctioned, competitive cycling.

The terrain, altitude and weather are made-to-order for the sport. The local amenities and hospitality are already in place and only await the influx of cycling enthusiasts.

Not known to most are the impressive demographics that accompany competitors in the bicycling race world. There are nearly 65 million people who take part in this activity,

making the sport larger than either golf, skiing, tennis or snowboarding combined.

Twenty-four million adults are considered cycling enthusiasts and have an average income of \$57,100 and an average household income of \$74,000. They annually spend \$5.3 billion on bikes.

Active outdoor recreation combined contributes \$3.8 billion yearly to New Mexico's economy and supports 47,000 jobs across the state.

Find a need and fulfill it: And when you consider the advantages Ruidoso has to offer the sport of cycling, it seems like the two could be a perfect fit.

El Paso has three large sanctioned USCA (U.S. Cycling Association) races a year – the Puzzler, the Coyote Classic and the 12 Hours of Old El Paso – which bring in thousands of visitors annually, including families and competitors. They stay for two or three days adding needed dollars to that community.

Other official bike races within the state of New Mexico are in Farmington, which has the oldest mountain bike race in the state; Taos,

and Socorro.

Two years ago, Cody Thurston, owner of Ruidoso Outdoor Adventures, and others put together a master plan and gathered \$30,000 for the design of racing trails in the area with Grindstone and Bonito lakes and the Cedar Creek areas considered as proposed sites.

Last April, representatives of the IMBA (International Mountain Biking Association) came to Ruidoso and put on a trail building clinic, which included techniques in proper mapping and signage (indicators giving directions to competitors and spectators). Now, grants and monies are needed to build the trails. Recently, a grant was applied for on behalf of the Grindstone Lake area.

"Cycling needs an 'epic' trail system here in Ruidoso," Thurston explained. "If Ruidoso had such trails, word would spread quickly throughout the biking community. And if the trails are impressive, where cyclists go 'wow,' others would soon follow."

And Ruidoso's economy would benefit.

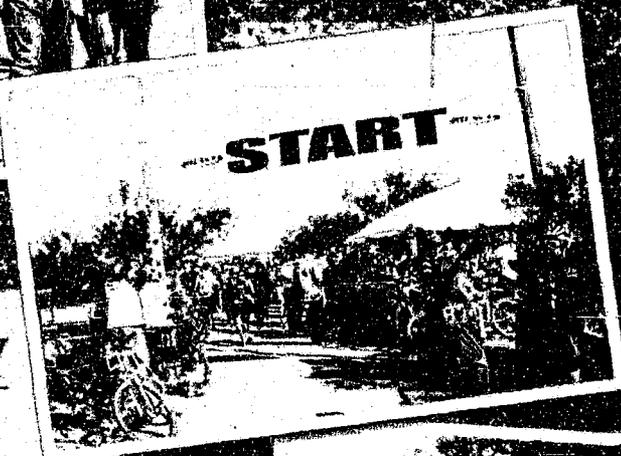
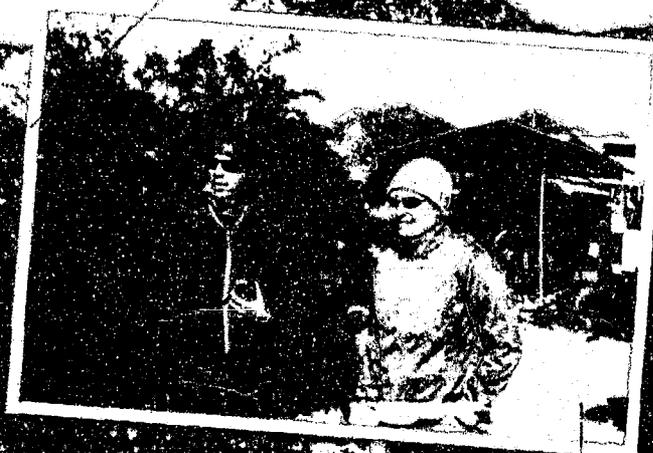
For more information on cycling in the area, call Ruidoso Outdoor

Adventures at 257-4905.



Cyclists compete in last Saturday's race, 12 Hours of Old El Paso.

COVER STORY



PHOTOS BY
Charles Holt



Time for a Nouveau party

BY NEAL JONES
FOR ¡VÁMONOS!

The season of traditions and holiday parties is upon us.

For my house, it always began with Halloween and runs through the Super Bowl weekend. There is a celebration to plan for almost every week, and a

wine to plan to serve with each celebration.

Plan ahead for the Nouveau Beaujolais release next. It is the weekend before Thanksgiving. It gives you the chance to have a nice wine party with friends while giving the Thanksgiving time to family. The 3rd Thursday of November

is the Nouveau party tradition, and usually is carried through the weekend.

The Nouveau Beaujolais is the best early release wine. I love this wine because of the release tradition, and it is always an affordable wine, usually less than \$25.00 for the best. There are a number of reasons for this

and a few myths to correct.

First, the Gamay grape is critical for this bright and fruity wine.

This red wine grape grown extensively in the Beaujolais district of southern Burgundy, France is the prize of the early wines. A zesty and generous wine with a beautiful fruit. The Gamay grape can be used exclusively and you may find a slight blend with Pinot Noir in these Nouveau wines.

There are several varieties of Gamay grapes, some of which give a red juice. The wines you will find will be made with Gamay Noir. A red-skinned grape with white meat and juice, the Gamay Noir is the only grape used in the French district of Beaujolais to make the Nouveau wines.

There are other Nouveau wines made in France. A Côte d'Or is made north of Beaujolais and is blended with Pinot Noir grapes. Sometimes these wines will be labeled as "Bourgogne Passe-Tout-Grains"

Gamay grapes are also made in early wines from other parts of France and also from Switzerland. I've had a Swiss Nouveau wine and you'll find they are quite good.

In California, Gamay has presented a problem as to the actual grape that has come to America. Nearly 5,000 acres of Gamay have been planted in northern California. You'll find these vineyards calling the grape "Napa Gamay". They produce wines that

are not anything like the French Beaujolais wines, although there are some recent productions that approximate that bright fruity Gamay taste.

There has been for many years, California wineries marketing a "Gamay Beaujolais" wine. These vines may have actually been believed to be Gamay, cut and imported vines from France. But, the specialists in grape growing, the ampelographers have determined that the Napa grape is actually a clone of the Pinot Noir grape. In fact, the California grape was identified as Valdiguié; an obscure variety still cultivated in southwestern France.

The key reason that Nouveau Beaujolais is different is in the Carbonic Maceration. This method of fermentation has a different step in the process that uses the whole berry. If you use, "whole berry fermentation" in speaking about Nouveau, you are saying the same thing.

The French term for this process is macération carbonique. Instead of the usual procedure of crushing red grapes so that the fermenting juice stays in contact with the skins, the ripe grape bunches are left in sealed tanks without being crushed, for a period of about 7 days.

Fermentation takes place very slowly in the sealed tank. A layer of carbon dioxide is all that covers the liquid inside. Then after a week, a very gentle pressing of the grapes takes

place. That pressed mix will then ferment an additional time to adjust to the desired dryness of the wine.

Since very little tannin and extract is available through carbonic maceration, the method is usually performed only on wines destined for consumption within the first two years. Plus, the light red grapes, like the Gamay grape, are critical to this process. This process allows these lighter red grapes to become the fine lighter red wines, with delicate complexity, dry wine with well-defined fruit tastes.

As you plan ahead for the season, make a date with the Nouveau Beaujolais. If you don't make an individual "coming out" party this year, this is a red wine that goes well with deep-fried turkey (my favorite) and New England cranberries.



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Día de los Muertos Cookies



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Día de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) is really two days in November set aside for honoring the spirits of family and friends who have died. Throughout the Americas people begin preparing for this Mexican holiday in October. The days of Nov. 1 and 2 are not a morbid time and is not related to Halloween.

The celebration originated with the indigenous people – the Aztec, Maya, Toltec and Inca. With the arrival of the Spanish, the celebrations were altered to coincide with the celebrations of All Saints Day and All Souls Day. Día de los Muertos is all about love and memory. It is a day of food, feasting, music, dance and song. It is a time for special foods, flowers, poems and crafts created specially for this holiday.

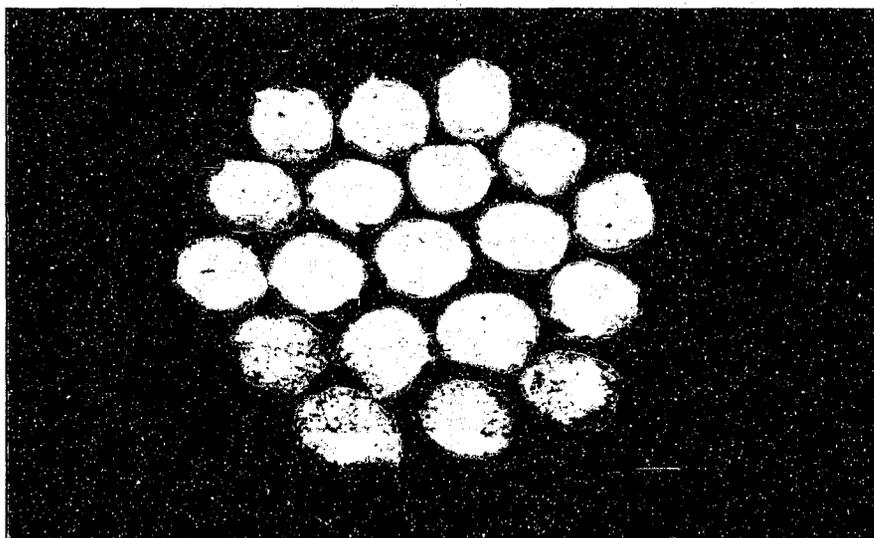
Graves are cleaned and decorated. Altars or shrines are built to honor loved ones and then covered with offerings of food and decorations. Skeletons depict the dead in an every-

day context and most are comical in nature. The deceased are honored with offerings which may consist of photographs, bread, foods, flowers, toys and other symbolic offerings.

Carmen Najar Hill gave me this recipe for rolled sugar cookies, which are great for shaped skull cookies or bones, and just in time for Day of the Dead celebrations.

This recipe now goes to the top of my other sugar cookie recipes I have collected. I saw these on Facebook, where I traced them to Carmen. Her grandsons are each shown holding a big, fat cookie. The grandsons, who are also my nephews, did confirm that their granny's cookies are the best.

I made the dough and rolled them one-fourth inch thick. Carmen makes hers thicker for a softer cookie. I discovered that thin, crispy cookies (even those that are store bought) can become soft if you place them in a sealed container with a slice of bread.



Día de los Muertos Cookies

3 cups flour
 ½ teaspoon baking soda
 ½ teaspoon baking powder
 1 cup margarine, softened
 2 eggs
 1 cup sugar



Combine first four ingredients. In a separate bowl mix eggs and sugar; add to flour mixture. Knead until soft, roll to desired thickness and cut out skulls/bones.

Bake in a preheated 350 degree oven until golden brown on the bottom. Cool and frost with icing: ¼ cup each of vegetable shortening and butter (or margarine); 1 teaspoon almond flavoring; 4 cups sifted powdered sugar; dash of salt; and maybe 4 tablespoons milk.

CULINARY DINING GUIDE

Alamogordo

Bar-B-Que



Spring Mountain Chuck Wagon BBQ • 1187 Hwy. 82, High Rolls • Open Fri-Sun; Lunch and dinner • 682-4550

Sunset Run Restaurant • 54 McDonald Rd. • Ribs, brisket, pork, sausage, chicken, fish • Tue-Sat, 11 a.m.-8 p.m.; Sun, 11 a.m.-6 p.m. • 434-9000.

Texas Pit Barbeque • 211 James Canyon, Cloudcroft • 682-1101.

Cafés



Airport Grille • 3500 Airport Rd., Alamogordo • 439-1093 • Open Mon-Fri, 7:30 a.m.-3 p.m. • Specialty sandwiches.

Amigos Bakery • 1107 10th St., Alamogordo • 437-0592. • 9 a.m.-9 p.m.; Sun, 10 a.m.-9 p.m. • Deli, daily special.

Brown Bag Deli • 900 Washington, Alamogordo • 437-9751 • Mon-Sat, 9 a.m.-9 p.m.; Sun, 10 a.m.-9 p.m. • Deli, daily special.

Café 675 • 675 Tenth St. at Lowes, Alamogordo • 437-5150.

Cloudcroft Deli • 505 Burro St., Cloudcroft • 682-5588 • Daily, 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. • Carry-out only.

Coffee & More • 308 Granado • Deli • Tularosa • 585-4575.

Dave's Café • 300 Burro St., Cloudcroft • 682-2127 • Open Mon-Thu, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fri-Sat; 10a.m.-8 p.m. • Hamburgers

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Mountain Top Mercantile Deli • 105 James Canyon, Cloudcroft • 682-2777 • Open 7 days, 7 a.m.-8 p.m. • Carry-out only.

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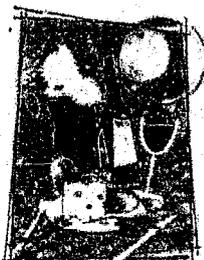
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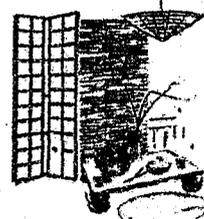
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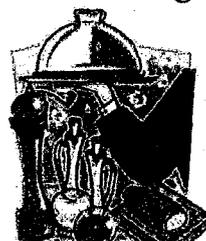
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Gathering of Nations Buffet • 287 Carrizo Canyon Rd. at IIMG • 464-7872

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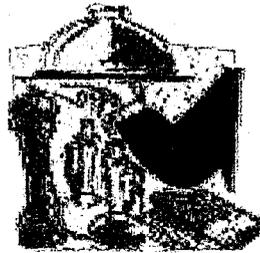
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El Paraiso Mexican Restaurant • 721 Mechem • Mon-Sat, 8 a.m.-8 p.m. • 257-0279

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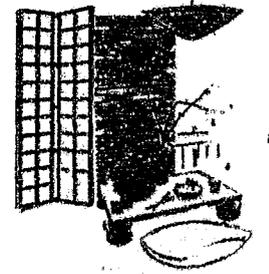
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Bon Appetit!

A cattle drive unlike any other, part 1

Cattle drives in the Old West were always dangerous to the cowboys pushing the cattle up the trail. Any number of things could kill you – the weather, snakes, bears, mountain lions, poisonous insects, even your own horse, to say nothing of Native Americans who were a tad peeved about the miserable way they had been treated by the government, and they felt, the White Man in general, over the years.

Then and now, being a cowboy was a romantic vision, but the romance pretty much evaporates when you get to reality.

Yes sir, cattle drives were extremely dangerous, and there was one in 1871, that at least for the purposes of this column, set the benchmark for just how dangerous they could be. If you took all of the dangers previously mentioned and then added Texas' deadliest gunfighter, John Wesley Hardin, into the mix it was a recipe for mayhem that is, at least in the mind of this writer, absolutely unparalleled.

Trail bosses

Every drive requires a trail boss, and whether or not he was a competent fellow who was also, hopefully, easy to get along with, made all the difference to the rest of the drovers. Mannen Clements, who was a cousin of Hardin's, once pushed a herd north and two of his employees chose to disagree with him on a number of points concerning



the drive. Mannen listened carefully to their complaints, shot both of them very dead and went back to work. Well, that was one way to accomplish things. Cattle drives, not unlike the military, required that the boss' word go unquestioned, especially in times of danger. Ask any veteran and they will tell you that a soldier who questions an order given by his commander under fire, is liable to get himself shot – and legally, too.

In 1871, the Clements and some of their relatives organized a herd that they intended to push north from Texas to Abilene, Kan., which, at that time, was the destination for one simple reason – the railroad was located there.

One of these relatives was an impetuous young man, enigmatic in personality and explosive in temper, named John Wesley Hardin. By the end of his life, at the age of 42 years and three months in August of 1895, Hardin may have killed as many as 50 men. Many historians place his 40th victim on his 21st birthday. He actually admitted to 27 homicides in his self-serving

autobiography (come to think of it, what autobiography isn't self serving when you get right down to it?) Personally, I believe that the total is somewhere around Hardin's count of 27, which is positively astronomical. Especially when you consider the fact that most of the other gunfighters of the time had vastly inflated reputations (usually inflated by the gunfighters themselves, hopefully to scare off potential assassins). For example, Doc Holliday, prior to the OK Corral, appears to have killed absolutely no one. Billy the Kid had four victims and Wild Bill Hickok had seven or eight. But 27?? Don't get me wrong. Even one dead man down your back trail was a lot. But, like I say, 27?

Hardin, who was only 18 at the time of the drive in 1871, was already a seasoned killer. At the beginning of the drive he killed someone he later described as "an Indian" who, John Wesley claimed, was in the act of attacking him. There were no witnesses, so it is difficult to say. He also claimed to have prevented his fellow drovers from taking souvenirs off the dead man, which, if true, is sort of admirable in a macabre sort of way. But then, throughout his autobiography, Hardin seems to have exhibited a grudging respect for many of the men he killed.

Little Arkansas

But it was on the banks of the Little Arkansas River,

as the drovers approached Abilene, that the most memorable event of the drive, or at least one of them, took place.

A fledgling town was being organized on the river and the drovers were invited to stay and sample a bit of the burgeoning nightlife there, something that the entertainment-starved cowboys were eager, in the extreme, to do. The cowboys themselves were usually young, and the prospect of women and liquor – the Old West's two major forms of entertainment – were almost impossible to resist.

The problem arrived with another herd of cattle, this one being driven by a group of vaqueros from south of the Rio Grande, which began closing on the Clements-Hardin herd and the cattle began to intermingle. This sort of Old West traffic jam gives one a good idea of just how many cattle were being driven north from Texas in those days.

The Mexicans, of course, were in the right, at least as they saw it. They were simply doing their job, and the herd that Hardin was pushing was in the way. The Texans, as one might expect, didn't see it quite that way.

Hardin and one of his cousins, Jim Clements, went out to parlay with the Mexican trail boss and things didn't exactly go well. When it became obvious to both sides that negotiations were out of the question, both the Texans and the Mexicans re-

tired to their own camps to arm themselves.

None of these men could be accused of cowardice. Six vaqueros, all armed to the teeth, began galloping toward Hardin. John Wesley and Clements mounted and began charging the Mexicans. When they finally closed on each other, the men became lost in a confusing, swirling, deadly melee, filled with dust, gunsmoke, pounding hooves and screams. When the gunsmoke cleared six dead men lay on the ground. Clements had killed one and John Wesley had killed the other five. Not only had he killed five men, he had killed them from the back of a horse, which is a neat trick in itself.

This fight would result in one of the few nicknames that Hardin ever acquired. He was called "Little Arkansas." On this drive, John Wesley Hardin had personally killed six men and they hadn't even reached Abilene yet. Hardin was truly the gunfighter's gunfighter.

Hollywood aside, most gunfights in the Old West did not involve two men standing, facing each other in the middle of a deserted street. Men killed their enemies whenever they came upon them and however they could. Hardin was the exception to this rule. If a man were to come looking for John Wesley Hardin, he was likely to have the young Texan tapping him on the shoulder, inviting him to turn around and face him and let the chips

fall where they may.

Next: John Wesley Hardin meets Wild Bill Hickok

Sources: *The Last Gunfighter* by Richard Marohn; *John Wesley Hardin: Dark Angel of Texas* by Leon Metz and *The Life of John Wesley Hardin*, as written by himself.

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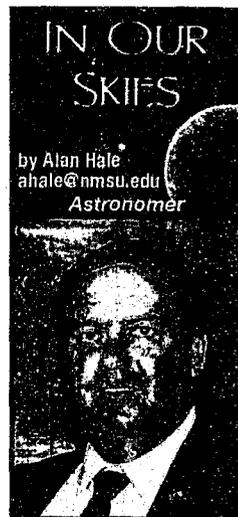
Ever since humans began to visualize establishing a permanent presence in space, the concept of having one or more space stations orbiting around Earth has been a central part of that picture. Several decades ago a common picture of such a space station was something like the giant pinwheel-shaped structure depicted in the 1968 motion picture 2001: A Space Odyssey.

The reality, at least so far, has been somewhat different, with the first orbiting space stations being temporary structures that remained in orbit for only a few years and that hosted visiting astronauts for relatively brief periods of time.

The former Soviet Union launched a series of seven single-module Salyut space stations between 1971 and 1982, and meanwhile the U.S. launched its Skylab space station in 1973 that hosted three separate crews over the next year.

The longest stay-aboard any of these early stations was one of 237 days (slightly less than eight months) by one of the crews that visited the final Salyut station in 1984.

The first "permanent" space station was the Soviet Union's Mir station



launched in early 1986. After some moderate-duration visits by a handful of early crews, Mir began to be permanently occupied with the visit of a crew in September 1989, and remained occupied for the next ten years. During that time it was visited by

cosmonauts from various nations, including – beginning in the mid-1990s – a series of crews from U.S. Space Shuttles. What remains the record for longest continuous time in space is held by Russian cosmonaut Valeriy Polyakov, who served as the station doctor aboard Mir for 14 months in 1994 and 1995.

The U.S. has had its own plans for a permanently occupied space station, and the plans for such were formally announced by former U.S. President Ronald Reagan in 1984. During the next several years the proposed station went through a series of re-designs, and following the fall of the Soviet Union in 1991 and the burgeoning collaboration between the American and Russian space programs the decision was made to make this an international effort, involving not only these two main players but other partners as well including Japan and the European Space Agency.

Construction of the International Space Station (ISS) formally began in late 1998 with the launch, and in-orbit joining together, of the first modules. Several other supply missions followed over the next two years, and in mid-2000 came the launch of the Zvezda service module and crew quarters.

Finally, on October 31, 2000 came the launch of a Soyuz spacecraft from the Baikonur launch facility in Kazakhstan containing the first ISS crew: American astronaut Bill Shepherd and Russian cosmonauts Yuri Gidzenko and Sergei Krikalev.

Two days later this crew entered the ISS and began a 4 1/2-month-long stay aboard it.

Since that time the ISS has been permanently occupied, and this coming Tuesday will mark ten years since the first crew boarded it. (Curiously, just this past week Mir's record for longest continuous occupancy was broken.) 25 crews, typically staying on board for about six months at a time, have maintained occupancy aboard the ISS during these past ten years, and in addition the ISS has hosted the crews of numerous Space Shuttle missions.

Beginning with American businessman Dennis Tito in 2001, the ISS has also hosted several privately-funded space travelers for approximately week-long stays. In all, during its ten years of occupancy the ISS has had

almost 200 visitors from up to fifteen different nations.

Construction of the ISS is still not entirely complete, but the final Space Shuttle missions are expected to complete the construction next year. Original plans had called for the ISS to remain operational until 2015, however under the new space direction proposed by the Obama Administration earlier this year and recently authorized by the U.S. Congress, the operational lifetime of the ISS would be extended until at least 2020.

In addition to being a permanently-manned space outpost, the ISS has served as an orbiting laboratory for a variety of scientific investigations including in biology, medicine, astronomy, and physics.

With construction now nearing completion we can expect that these activities will continue during coming years, and in keeping with the proposed new space direction and its emphasis on commercial activities it is likely that we will see various privately-funded research activities taking place as well.

Ultimately, we should see the ISS as an early step in our expansion into space, and we can apply the lessons learned into future-generation space stations and facilities – perhaps, eventually, even into something like that pinwheel structure depicted in 2001.

Meanwhile, marking

the ten-year anniversary of continuous ISS occupancy are its current residents, American astronauts Douglas Wheelock, Shannon Walker, and Scott Kelly, and Russian cosmonauts Fyodor Yurchikhin, Aleksandr Kaleri, and Oleg Skripochka, who have been there for the past month.

During the early evenings and late mornings we can often see the ISS – flyover times are available from on-line sources, although unfortunately we in southern New Mexico don't have any visible ones in the immediately foreseeable future – and when it flies over we can wish

these travelers, and those who will follow them, well as they lead the way to our future.

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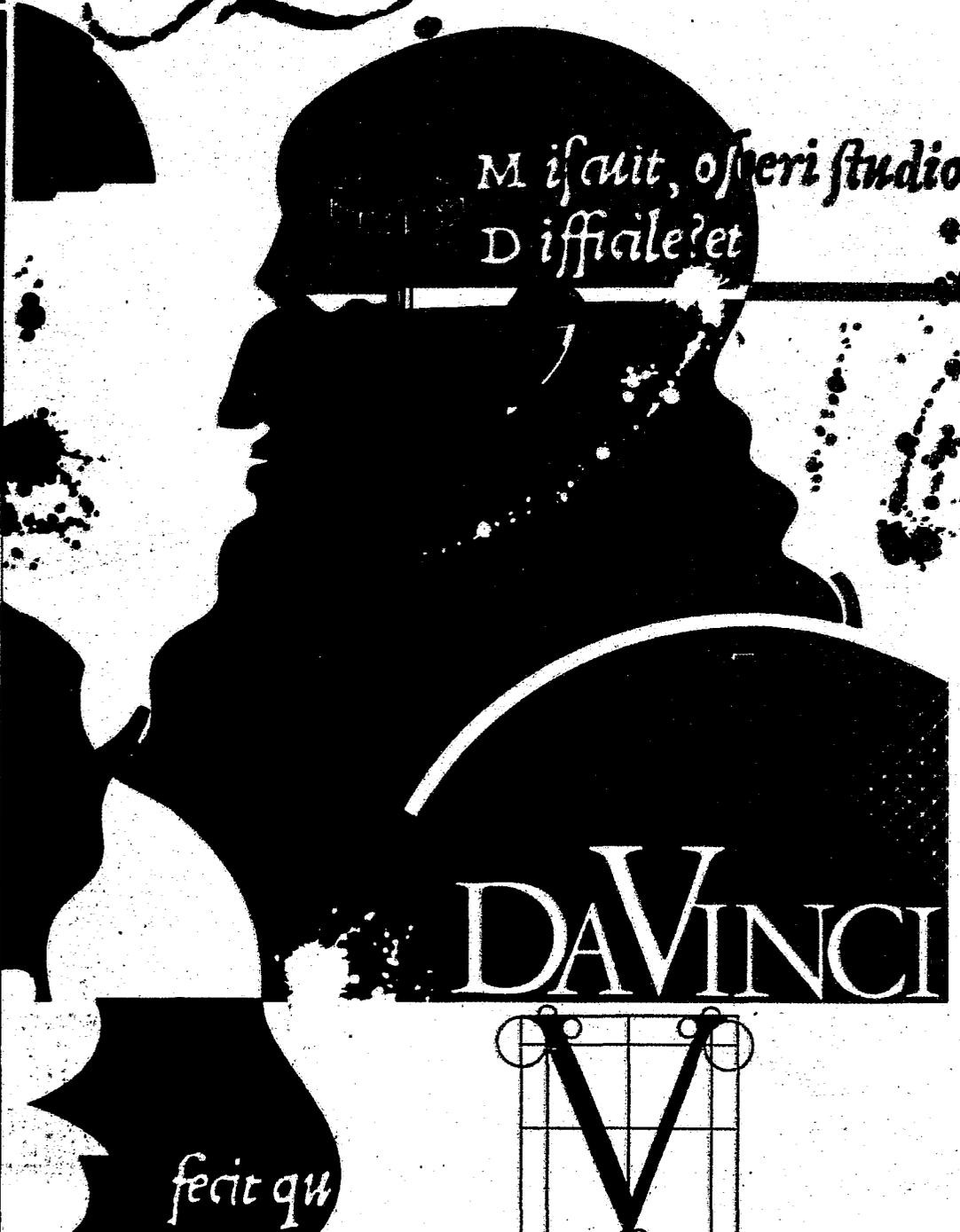
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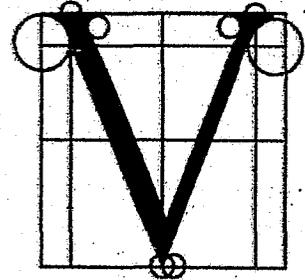
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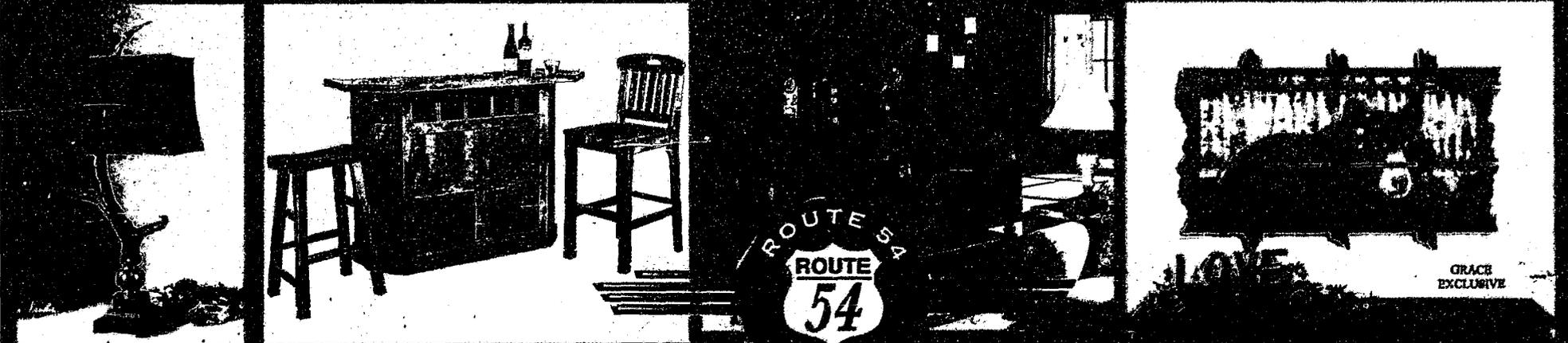
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THEATRE > SPENCER

On Stage for Murder

Murder mystery and luncheon on the Spencer Stage

BY KATHLEEN McDONALD
FOR ¡VÁMONOS!

Be a party to a Halloween murder. Serving up a delightful way to play on a wickedly weird day, the Spencer Theater invites you to its very first Murder Mystery Luncheon starring the Cloudcroft Mystery Theatre troupe, with special guest actors from Ruidoso and Cloudcroft high schools.

The day's drama unfolds like this: While enjoying a scrumptious sit-down meal on the Spencer stage patrons will be entertained by *On Stage For Murder*.

The four-act tale, which unfolds between courses, features an acting troupe enacting actors rehearsing a murder mystery. They really want to perform, but their micro-managing obsessive-compulsive control-freak director Diedre

has major problems with her actors and the course of the show.

Tempers flare, and explode. And then – oh horror upon horror – one of these actors decides to write their own deadly ending. It's a four course "who-done-it."

Patrons are welcome to join in the entertainment, helping to fuel drama and intrigue into this wacky "holiday."

The Spencer Theater's Murder Mystery Lunch will be a gathering of hungry Sherlocks caught within a drama. Join in the fun and show off your sleuthing abilities.

The event takes place on Sunday, Oct. 31.

The murder menu will be served by Madame Simone Keith at 1:30 p.m., and features such delectable delights as Killer Cheese Stakes, Wrath of Caesars Salad, Murderous

Meatball Sandwich and Death By Chocolate Cake.

Tickets are available for \$39 per person by calling the Spencer Theatre box office at 575-336-4800, or go online to www.spencer-theater.com.

Upcoming Events

- **Ricky Nelson Remembered**
Saturday, Nov. 20, 7 p.m.
(\$69 & \$66).
- **Lorrie Morgan Acoustic**
Saturday, Nov. 27, 7 p.m.
(\$69 & \$66).
- **Plaid Tidings**
Friday, Dec. 3, 7 p.m.,
and Saturday, Dec. 4, at
1 p.m. (\$59 & \$56).
- **The Nutcracker** starring
the Ruidoso Dance
Ensemble, Saturday, Dec.
18, 2p.m., and 7 p.m.,
(\$28).
- **Flying J Wranglers Christmas**
Tuesday, Dec. 21, 7 p.m.
(\$29 & \$26).



The Cloudcroft Mystery Theatre troupe, along with special guest actors from the Ruidoso and Cloudcroft high schools will perform at the Spencer.

Casting call for fashion shoot

Sunbrella, an innovative fabric company, is doing a fashion photo shoot in Alamogordo in mid-November and is looking for new talent as models.

The production is in need of children, men and women for four internet videos, which will be shot in White Sands.

Anyone interested needs to contact Elizabeth Gabel Casting at egcasting.com, or email a photo of yourself, size of clothing and contact information to elizabeth@egcasting.com.



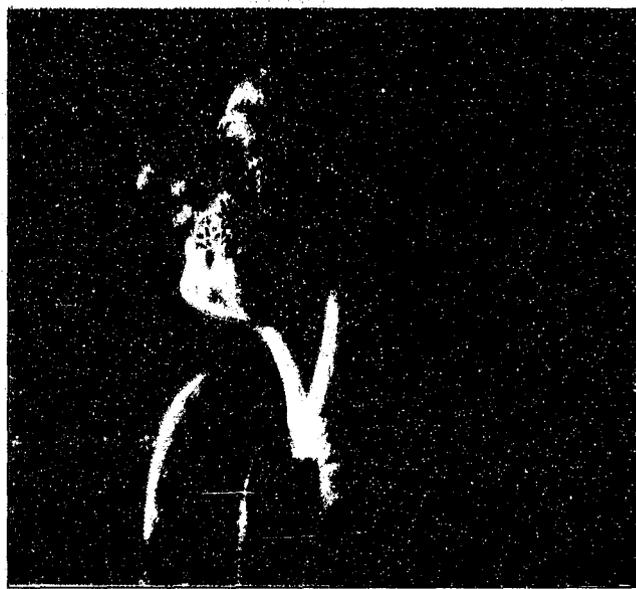
THEATRE ► RED FEATHER

The Fallen**Ruidoso High School
performs its first
production of the year
plus, a Spook House**BY JESSIE HANSON
¡VAMOS! EDITOR

The Red Feather Theatre Company, Ruidoso High School's after-school drama club, presents their first performance of the year when the curtain rises on *The Fallen* Oct. 29 and 30, at 7 p.m., and Oct. 30, at 2 p.m. The

production takes place on the stage of The Ruidoso Performing Arts Center, 125 Warrior Dr.

The play, which recounts imagined interactions between angels and demons, was written by junior class student Mercedes Espinoza. Musical composition is credited to sophomore Jake McCaw.



Playwright of The Fallen, Mercedes Espinoza (above), as Pantalone, a commedia dell' arte character.

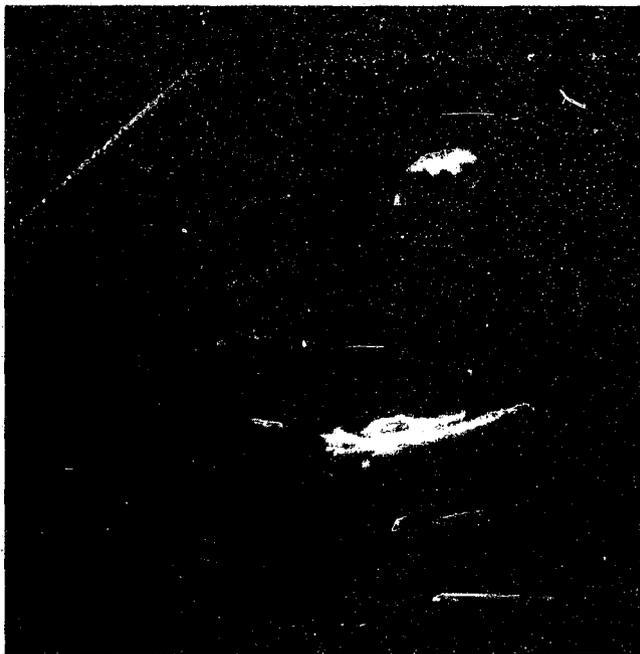
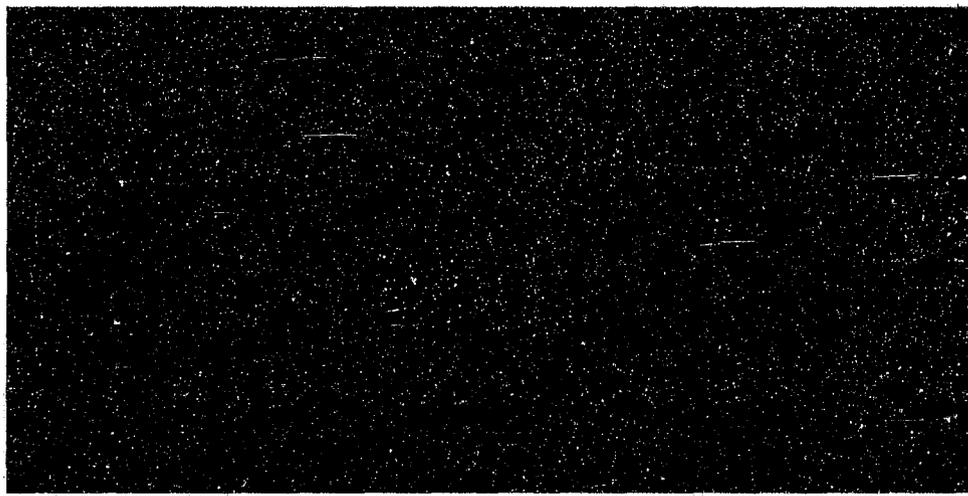
The Spook House will be open prior to curtain rise at 6 p.m. on Oct. 29, and at 1 p.m. on Oct. 30.

The production finale promises to be impressive. Based upon the ancient Commedia dell' Arte, comedic stock characters come to life, improvised by RHS advanced drama students.

Tickets are \$5 and include admission to the spook house and produc-

tion. Tickets can be purchased at The Ruidoso Chamber of Commerce Visitor's Center, Michelena's Italian Restaurant, from the RHS cast and crew, or by calling 575-258-4910, ext. 239.

The Red Feather Theatre Company's next production is Oscar Wilde's *The Importance of Being Earnest*, Jan. 14 - 22, at 7 p.m. also at the RSPAC.



RHS sophomore Jake McCaw (above) is the musical composer for The Fallen.

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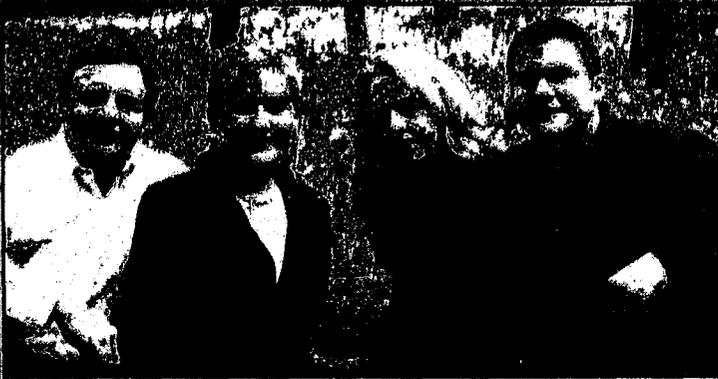
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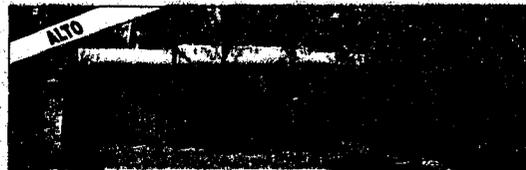
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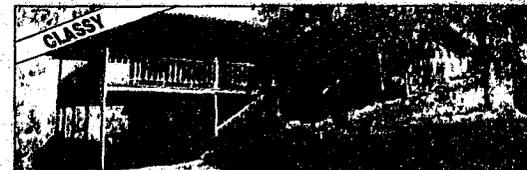
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