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## MISS RUIDOSO



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**Kendra Martin**, center, Miss Ruidoso 2010, crowns Shelby Rist Miss Ruidoso 2011 as 1st Runner Up Josie Parsons watches, at Mountain Annie's Dinner Theater Saturday evening. Rist is a Ruidoso High School graduate, now in her senior year at the University of New Mexico majoring in Political Science and Communications. She recently took her Law School entrance exams and is awaiting her scores. Rist will represent Ruidoso in the Miss New Mexico pageant next year. The event went on in spite of the show's producer, Barbara Westbrook, taking a fall Saturday morning that left her with a broken arm and shoulder. Westbrook officiated the event with her left arm in a sling.

## Downs streets under review

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**W**holesale address changes will come to Ruidoso Downs. About 1,000 street numbers are set to be renumbered. And some street names will change as well.

"My number is being changed to a different number. It's not right, mayor," said City Councilor Gary Williams.

"We're all in that boat," Mayor Tom Armstrong responded.

City Council approved the adjustments Monday evening.

According to a memorandum, the emergency 9-1-1 addressing action was necessary to: provide for expedient emergency responses by medical, law enforcement, fire, rescue and other emergency services; assist with the property delivery of mail, packages and other services; assure an accurate and systematic means to identify and locate property; assign address numbers to locations currently without an address; govern the display of property address numbers.

"Once this is implement-

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## Report: Counties bear burden of jail costs

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### Prisoner care up seven-fold in 10 years

Despite approved legislation that offered some financial relief, counties in New Mexico continue to bear a disproportionate burden to care for state prisoners in their jails, an official with the New Mexico Association of Counties said.

Steve Kopelman, the Risk Management Director for the New Mexico County Insurance Authority, the county insurance pool of the NMAC, spoke to Lincoln County commissioners during a special meeting Friday about the services and lobbying work of the non-profit association, which has the sole purpose of supporting the counties in the state.

He said the County Detention Center Reimbursement Act finally was passed after eight years of lobbying by the association and the filing of a lawsuit, because counties were stuck with paying for many inmates that should be responsibility of the state. Specifically cited in the suit were parole violators kept in jail for months and for which, the state took no responsibility. An Appeals Court ruled the state is responsible for parole violators housed in county jails.

Unfortunately the original \$5 million award shrunk to \$4 million be-

cause of budget restraints, which was distributed to counties with detention centers, Kopelman said. Last year, Lincoln County received \$52,000 under the act, based on the number of prisoners handled. The money is administered by the state Department of Finance and Administration, he said. Sixty-five percent is general distribution and 35 percent helps smaller counties and is more discretionary, he said.

"That's just a small portion of what this county spends on those prisoners," said Commissioner Dave Parks.

Kopelman agreed. "We estimate counties are subsidizing State Corrections at least \$30 million annually for prisoners convicted and waiting for transport, charged with felonies but serving less than one year in jails, parole violators" and others, he said, adding that about 3,000 more prisoners convicted of felonies sit in county jails than in state prisons.

The burden is hemorrhaging county budgets, he said. "About 35 percent of county budgets go to jail support," Kopelman said. "Ten years ago, it was 5 percent."

County Manager Tom Stewart said the county jail's annual budget is

\$3.66 million, which exceeds the road department and is about half of the total operating budget. The prisoners are in various stages of incarceration, "and we get stuck with keeping them. One has been there three years, for gosh sakes, we're not supposed to give them a home."

### Medical expenses

The reimbursement from the state does not help with medical expenses incurred by state prisoners while in jail, Stewart said.

"We've had some staggering medical expenses," Commission Chairman Tom Battin observed.

Kopelman said many state prisoners have not been to doctors in years, are alcohol-dependent or drug-addicted. "It could be years before they are tried and you're responsible for their medical care, and why should counties be in this business?" he said.

Bernalillo County's jail budget is nearly \$70 million a year and about 3,000 inmates are housed.

"We're the only county in the state with a private contractor running our detention center," Stewart said, complimenting the new warden on his no-nonsense attitude. Yet the mental health counseling bill continues to grow, cost-

ing about \$7,000 a month.

In other association issues, Kopelman said the association operates and administers the county insurance pools, but the pools are public entities, not insurance companies.

"Lincoln County was not an initial member," he said. "I believe you joined the workers compensation pool in 1996 and the multi-line in 1998. The big advantage is that it's kind of one for all, all for one. We know counties have catastrophic claims from time to time. With private insurance, that would mean rates would go up dramatically or you could be canceled."

Rate increases are capped. "You will not see increases of 30 percent to 40 percent, even with a bad loss," he said. "That doesn't mean counties can just go their merry way. There has to be loss control. Yours is a well-controlled county. We try to educate those with a lot of losses."

Lincoln County's law enforcement premium was \$71,000 in 2003 and remained at that price in 2010, he said. "So you have not seen an increase in the last eight years. I don't think you will see that in the commercial market." The county's workman's compensation premium also stayed at \$75,000 from

2004 to 2010, he said, although the county's payroll increased by 35 percent.

The New Mexico County Insurance Authority board of directors is composed of county elected official and employees, and 31 out of 33 counties in New Mexico participate in the workman's compensation pool, he said.

Parks, an insurance agent, said while lower rate offers may be received by the county from time to time, "consistency and services (of NMCIA) make up for the lower offers, because outside companies can't stay at artificially low rates."

County Treasurer Beverly Calaway is chair of the treasurer's affiliate of the NMAC and is very active as the county's representative on the NMAC board.

Kopelman urged commissioners to attend the January Better Informed Public Officials conference in Santa Fe for a good learning experience and a chance to network.

Calaway said most of the county's elected officials are chairman of their affiliates, as is County Planner and flood Plains Manager Curt Temple. "We have such a strong county that others contact us for guidance," she said. She urged newly elected commissioners to be very active with the association.



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**Lincoln County** Solid Waste employee Scott Atchley hands a broken television to volunteers Bethany Sweat, left, and Christian Sweat, as they unload the electronic waste from the truck that brought the Carrizozo collections from Friday, to the main event in the IGA parking lot on Saturday morning.



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**Fort Bliss, Texas**, Command Sergeant Major David Davenport talks to students at Ruidoso Middle School Friday morning. Military Appreciation Weekend President Millie Woods arranged for Davenport to visit Ruidoso, meet with Ruidoso Mayor Ray Alborn, who was at the school with Davenport, and visit with the Middle School Students. Davenport and the four Fort Bliss soldier's with him answered question, had lunch at the school and then played basketball with the kids on the playground.

**Veteran fees waived**

New Mexico officials will honor military veterans and current military service members on Veteran's Day Thursday, by waiving day use and camping fees at all New Mexico State Parks for veterans and active-duty military and their families.

"This is one way we can say thanks to our veterans," said State Parks Director Dave Simon. "Public parks are one of the great things about America that veterans have served to protect."

The waiver applies to all active duty and retired veterans and their immediate families (spouse and chil-

dren) at all New Mexico state parks on Veteran's Day only. Veterans should identify themselves as such to State Parks staff or campground hosts upon entrance to the parks.

For information about New Mexico State Parks, call 877-NMPARKS or visit [www.nmparks.com](http://www.nmparks.com).

**Fort Lone Tree**

Fort Lone Tree's ninth annual fundraiser will take place Nov. 14 from 4:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Food and great deals will be available at a silent and a live auction. Reservations are required. Tickets are available for a \$10 suggested donation.

Fort Lone Tree is also seeking those who would like to be an auction donor, event host or a guest.

Contact Eric McNamara at 575-354-4265 for more information, to make a donation, or to make a reservation.

All proceeds will benefit camper scholarships and special projects at the Christian camp and retreat facilities.

Fort Lone Tree is located six miles northeast of Capitan.

**Udall visits**

U.S. Senator Tom Udall will visit the Ruidoso area Friday for two events.

Udall will tour the new

Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant from 9:15 - 10:15 a.m., located at 26675 U.S. Hwy 70 in Ruidoso Downs.

Between 10:30 - 11:45 a.m., Udall will hike the Lincoln National Forest, Perk-Grindstone area, 901 Mechem Dr., Ruidoso.

**Mediation training**

The Texas Dispute Resolution System™ is conducting a 40-hour Basic Mediation Training Program in Ruidoso, New Mexico, Feb. 28- March 4, 2011.

Communication skills, problem solving, confidentiality and ethics are covered in the training. Additional issues arising in the mediation setting are also covered, such as cul-

tural, financial, and legal matters. Attendees will participate in mediation role plays as well as other hands-on activities.

Mediators can be used to resolve any type of dispute, from a divorce to criminal altercations to landlord/tenant and contractual disputes. The role of the mediator is to take the parties from disagreement to agreement. The possibilities of what issues the case involves are endless and no two cases will ever be the same.

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D. Gene Valentini, Dir-

ector of the Texas Dispute Resolution System™, is the instructor for the course. He has been a mediator since 1981, an active trainer for the past eighteen years, and is also an Adjunct Professor at the Texas Tech University School of Law.

The course is approved by the State Bar of Texas for 40 participatory continuing legal education hours, including three hours of ethics. The registration fee is \$695 early bird by Jan. 31, \$750 regular, and \$795 if paying at the door. Class size is limited, so early registration is recommended. Registration fee includes CLE credits, light refreshments, lunches and pro-

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### AccuWeather 7-day forecast for Ruidoso

TODAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
RealFeel 60° Humidity 22% Sunny Wind: SW 7-14 mph	RealFeel 54° Humidity 28% Breezy with periods of sun Wind: WSW 10-20 mph	RealFeel 54° Humidity 28% Mostly sunny Wind: NNW 6-12 mph	RealFeel 55° Humidity 28% Plenty of sun Wind: SSW 6-12 mph	RealFeel 52° Humidity 28% Sunshine and patchy clouds Wind: NNE 6-12 mph	RealFeel 45° Humidity 49% Cloudy, chance of a little rain Wind: ENE 6-12 mph	RealFeel 46° Humidity 56% Mostly sunny Wind: W 7-14 mph

RealFeel Temperature™ is AccuWeather's exclusive index of the effects of temperature, wind, humidity, sunshine, precipitation and elevation on the human body. Shown are the highs for the day.

#### Regional Cities

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#### Almanac

**Ruidoso**  
Statistics through Monday

Temperature:  
High/low ..... 68°/41°  
Normal high ..... 59°  
Normal low ..... 26°  
Record high ..... 74° (1980)  
Record low ..... 3° (1955)

Precipitation:  
Monday ..... 0.00"  
Month to date ..... 0.00"  
Normal month to date ..... 0.29"  
Year to date ..... 14.04"  
Normal year to date ..... 20.30"

Pollen:  
Grass ..... Absent  
Trees ..... Low  
Weeds ..... Low  
Mold ..... Low  
Predominant ..... Artemisia

**Alamogordo**  
Statistics through Monday

Temperature:  
High/low ..... 76°/37°  
Normal high ..... 67°  
Normal low ..... 38°  
Record high ..... 85° (1973)  
Record low ..... 23° (1959)

Precipitation:  
Monday ..... 0.00"  
Month to date ..... 0.00"  
Normal month to date ..... 0.24"  
Year to date ..... 12.38"  
Normal year to date ..... 11.68"

Weather Trivia™:  
Q: What are cardinal winds?

Winds from the 4 prime directions: north, south, east and west.

#### Sun and Moon

Wednesday: Sunrise/Sunset 6:29 a.m./5:05 p.m.  
Wednesday: Moonrise/Moonset 10:48 a.m./9:13 p.m.

#### Moon Phases

First Full Last New

Nov 13 Nov 21 Nov 28 Dec 5

#### Extremes

Monday's National High/Low: (For the 48 contiguous states)  
High: 87° in Pecos, TX  
Low: 12° in Tuolumne Meadows, CA

Monday's World High/Low:  
High: 110° in Telfer, Australia  
Low: -51° in Summit Station, Greenland

### National Forecast for Nov. 10, 2010

National Cities		Regional Cities			
City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Thu. Hi/Lo/W	City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Thu. Hi/Lo/W
Abilene	74/58/s	70/49/pc	Albuquerque	54/31/pc	49/27/pc
Anchorage	30/24/pc	37/30/sn	Artesia	74/48/s	80/44/pc
Atlanta	74/49/s	72/45/s	Chama	44/17/pc	43/9/sf
Austin	82/60/pc	83/64/pc	Clayton	52/25/s	50/22/c
Baltimore	62/41/s	61/34/s	Cloudcroft	52/29/s	50/18/pc
Boston	52/37/pc	50/40/s	Farmington	46/25/pc	46/19/sf
Chicago	68/49/s	65/45/pc	Hobbs	72/41/s	71/35/pc
Dallas	76/63/s	77/62/pc	Los Alamos	48/23/s	45/15/c
Denver	44/20/pc	30/17/sn	Portales	66/33/s	65/27/c
Des Moines	66/41/pc	61/42/c	Raton	52/18/pc	42/16/c
Detroit	63/38/s	62/44/s	Red River	42/14/pc	40/8/c
El Paso	69/43/s	68/37/s	Ruidoso	60/44/s	58/32/pc
Las Vegas	62/45/pc	61/44/s	Santa Fe	52/20/s	48/19/pc
Los Angeles	72/50/s	76/52/s	Silver City	64/34/s	59/27/s
Minneapolis	60/38/pc	53/36/pc	Taos	49/15/s	46/11/c
New Orleans	79/57/s	79/58/s			
New York City	55/42/s	53/40/s			
Philadelphia	59/41/s	56/39/s			
Phoenix	71/48/pc	71/46/s			
Reno	48/26/c	49/26/s			
San Francisco	60/46/pc	62/46/s			
San Diego	65/51/s	71/52/s			
Seattle	48/35/pc	48/41/c			
Tucson	73/44/s	70/40/s			
Tulsa, OK	68/53/s	73/53/t			
Wash., DC	62/41/s	58/39/s			
Wichita	64/44/s	65/42/r			
Yuma	76/51/pc	73/52/s			

Mexican Cities		
City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Thu. Hi/Lo/W
Acapulco	88/72/s	88/72/s
Cancún	84/64/sf	84/63/pc
Chihuahua	72/39/s	75/41/s
Ciudad Juárez	68/43/s	68/37/s
León	79/32/s	79/39/s
México, DF	73/41/s	75/45/pc
Monterrey	84/59/s	81/63/pc
Morelia	78/49/s	79/49/s
Oaxaca	84/50/s	82/52/pc
Pto. Penasco	79/57/s	77/52/s
Tijuana	68/46/pc	73/48/s



The 2nd Annual HEAL Balloon Event was held in midtown at the Times Square on Friday, October 29th. More than 20 HEAL board members, staff, volunteers and community committee members participated handing out over 700 helium balloons and candy to the trick-or-treaters.

The balloon event is the final HEAL event to celebrate October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

Pictured are HEAL staff, board members and community committee members at the 2010 Balloon Event.

COURTESY COLEEN WIDELL



COURTESY KATHLEEN McDONALD

Models showcasing the latest fashion wear strolled through the Spencer Theater's Crystal Lobby on Saturday, November 6 during the Spencer Guild's fall fashion extravaganza. Nearly 100 men and women in attendance enjoyed a lavish spread of champagne, chocolate, cheese and fabulous fashions, making the first time event a tremendous success. Proceeds from the style show will be used to support the not-for-profit Guild's many outreach projects, which include Lincoln County Head Start, Ticket Angels and the Missoula Children's Theatre performances at the Spencer. The chic women showcasing the shoes, clothes and accessories included Helen Woodfin for Chic Boutique, Ashley Abramson for J. Roberts, Leslie Sisk for The Bay Window Boutique, Kelsey Campbell for The Body Bar, B.J. Welch for Brunell's, Helen Maynard for Michelle's, Jennifer Lewicki for Rainmakers Pro Shop, Cheryl Taylor for Steppin' Out Shoes and Beth Porter for St. Bernard.

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gram materials.  
 The training will be held at Hotel Ruidoso, 110 Chase Street. The training will run from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday.  
 For more information or to register for the class, visit [www.co.lubbock.tx.us/dro/training.htm](http://www.co.lubbock.tx.us/dro/training.htm) or call toll free at 866-329-3522.

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**Sonic booms**

Officials with the 49th Wing have announced the flying schedule for the week of Nov. 8-14.  
 Sonic booms could occur Wednesday, Nov. 10, from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.; and

Friday, Nov. 12, from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

At this time no flights are scheduled for Thursday, Saturday or Sunday. Schedules can change based on a variety of rea-

sons and scheduled times do not always mean sonic booms will occur.

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### OUR OPINION

## Thanks to all who ever wore the uniform

And a hard-earned salute to Vietnam vets

Tomorrow is Veterans Day, and from the citizens of this great country to all the men and women who have ever worn the uniform of the United States armed forces, we simply say, "Thank you."

As always, the U.S. is engaged in a number of fronts around the globe that threaten the peace or have already broken out into war. And as always, the people back-home debate the merits or methods of such conflicts and confrontations, protected by the very freedoms our troops are prepared to preserve.

The good news, won over decades of brutal and gut-wrenching self-examination, is that the nation has come to truly appreciate the sacrifices made. Vietnam will hopefully be the last war in which many of us treated our returning soldiers with disrespect, to use a mild word.

No matter how we politically see Iraq or Afghanistan, or any other conflict, we will honor all those who participated and respect their courage and convictions.

So in thanking our vets this year, we hold our salute for those who served in Vietnam.

## After Lyons, Powell might let the sunshine in

Ray Powell's winning campaign to "clean up the State Land Office" paralleled Susana Martinez's winning campaign to clean up Santa Fe. Outgoing State Land Commissioner Pat Lyons groused, like the outgoing chief executive, that the candidate was campaigning against him and not the opponent.

True on both counts.

The campaign for State Land Commissioner, largely overshadowed by drama higher on the ballot, deserved more attention because it's probably New Mexico's second most powerful position. One of two constitutional officers (the other is the governor) established by statehood enabling legislation, the commissioner can sell, lease or trade land on his own authority. The office manages 13 million acres of trust land; the income generated supports schools, hospitals and other beneficiaries.

By "cleaning up," Powell means opening the processes to public scrutiny. "It's longer, messier and more frustrating, but you have a product at the end that's more satisfactory. The more sunshine from the very beginning of the process, the better off you are."

This was an early lesson in his previous stint as commissioner (1993 to 2002), when he and his staff crafted what they considered a sound community development plan for Edgewood.

"They were mortified. It took us 27 public meetings after that to regain the public trust. It was their community, and they had a vision of what they wanted." After that, he attended meetings armed only with a map and a question: "How do we optimize this?"

Sunshine was a missing commodity in two of his predecessors' more controversial land deals. In the first, Lyons scuttled open bidding to lease land to a Las Cruces developer who was one of his campaign contributors.

In recent months, Lyons pushed through the White's Peak land exchange - over the objections of hunters, the state Game Commission and nearby communities. During his previ-

ous term, Powell turned down the same deal after holding meetings in the communities and listening to citizens. "It became clear that selling or trading was not in the best interests of the community," he says.

The prospective buyers continued to visit Powell, but the answer was still no. From Lyons they got a yes.

(The Supreme Court is still deciding the outcome.)

"What has people so upset is there was no sunshine, no transparency; it was just done," Powell says.

Two of Powell's goals will be to discuss land exchanges, long-term leases or sales in well-publicized, local public meetings and institute a local land-approval process for long-term leases. Every sale, trade and lease will be on an open bid. "That worked fine for 10 years," he says.

Anyone looking at Powell's close ties to environmentalists might wonder how he will treat ranchers and the oil and gas industry.

Powell sees both groups as important partners: "Having people connected to the land, producing a product, paying a fee to use the land is a win-win because they look after the land." The presence of lessees reduces the incidence of illegal activity like dumping. He recognizes the oil and gas industry's importance, but allows, "They need to pay their fair share and take care of the health of the land. The vast majority of producers are responsible."

Everybody, he says, should care more about the long term than the political term: "If you contaminate the groundwater, you'll never be able to clean it up. The key is not contaminating it in the first place."

The industry may take comfort in Powell's view of regulations. The State Land Office isn't a regulatory agency, he says, "but how regulations are applied has a huge impact on the revenue stream and the care of the land. To me, the most important thing is to do things based on peer-reviewed science. It's got to make sense."

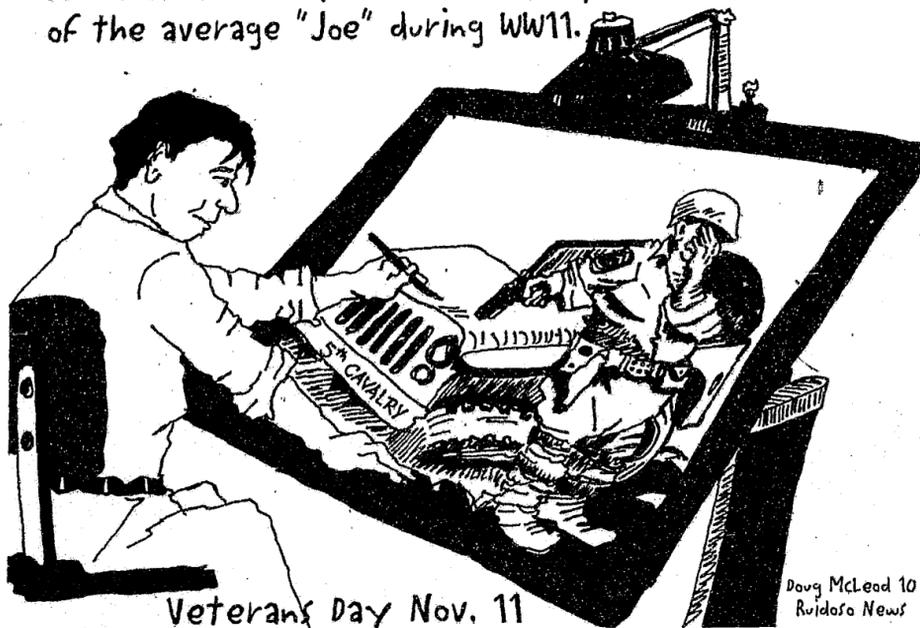
Making sense is an admirable goal.



SHERRY ROBINSON

ALL SHE WROTE

New Mexico's own, Bill Mauldin, captured the life of the average "Joe" during WW1.



Veterans Day Nov. 11

Doug McLead 10 Ruidoso News

### YOUR OPINION

## Literacy Council books another drive

To the editor:

ON HALLOWEEN, the Lincoln County Literacy Council gave away four hundred free books to families who were trick-or-treating in Midtown Ruidoso.

This year, we had books for two different age levels. Children under age 5 received an ABC Activity book and the older children selected one Junie B. Jones book.

Since 2007, the Literacy Council has given away over 1,000 books during Halloween in Midtown. We always run out of books before the trick-or-treating

ends.

Anyone wishing to contribute to the book drive may send a contribution to LCLC, 707 Mechem Dr., Ruidoso, NM 88345.

I want to thank Nancy Mitchell of Mitchell's Silver Turquoise and Gifts for allowing us to set up in her parking lot. Thanks also to Coda Omness of ENMU-Ruidoso and Sheralynn Ross and Kassie Smith for helping pass out books.

Thanks are also due to the National Book Bank that makes low cost books available to non-profits groups like the Literacy

Council.

The Literacy Council is dedicated to improving lives through better literacy. We offer free individual tutoring for adults wanting to improve basic skills or learn English.

We always welcome new learners and tutors. Call 575-630-8181 for more information. Remember that reading is a treat that lasts a lifetime.

Susie Morss

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Lincoln County Literacy

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### GUEST COMMENTARY

## 'Thank you for your service'

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We Americans tend to look forward to the various holidays on the calendar.

Sometimes we pause to ponder the meaning of these commemorative days; often we do not. Perhaps in your own experience you can recall a Thanksgiving, an Easter, or an Independence Day when something happened that brought home to you the true meaning of the holiday.

So it was with me on Nov. 11, 1987. That is when Veterans Day became special to me.

The snow, the first of the season, was falling heavily as I drove to Grove City to see the Vietnam War film, *Hamburger Hill* at the Guthrie Theater. The roads were getting slick; consequently the traffic was unusually light as most people prudently stayed home. There were only five of us scattered about the theater.

*Hamburger Hill* was a slice-of-life Vietnam War movie. It alternated between intense battle scenes, in which American infantrymen fought against an almost invisible enemy in a dense, steamy jungle, and vignettes of soldiers' non-combat life, where the enemies were boredom and homesickness.

Unlike the Vietnam War movies favored by the critics, *Hamburger Hill* was non-ideological. It portrayed rather than preached. It showed the harsh, harrowing existence of a platoon of young men shedding blood, sweat, and tears to take control of one particular hill for some unspecified military objective in a war with an unclear political objective.

At the end of this sober, unpretentious movie, I walked to the back of the cinema, and paused to read the credits. I

wasn't alone. Next to me was a man about my age, sitting in a wheelchair. In the flickering light bouncing off the screen, I could see that he was bearded, stocky - and legless. It didn't take a Sherlock Holmes to figure out where he had lost his legs.

"Did you think the movie's portrayal was accurate?" I ventured to ask.

"Yep, that's exactly what it was like over there."

I marveled at how courageous this man was to have sat through such a vivid portrayal of the horrors he had lived through.

After the credits ended, we headed out of the cinema together. We continued to chat as he wheeled himself down the sidewalk. I admired his lack of bitterness, his freedom from self-pity.

A flood of other thoughts churned inside me. I thought of my wife's cousin, who had written home from Nam, saying that the war could be over in two months if only the politicians would remove the shackles from our military and let them win - Paul's last message home before his remains were shipped home to a family whose grief was compounded by the sense that his passing had been for naught.

I remembered how some of my contemporaries had become so consumed with anger and self-righteous that they scorned and ostracized G.I.s returning from Vietnam rather than welcoming them home.

I felt pangs of guilt about how, through some inscrutable decree of fate, the man beside me had been plucked from his loved ones and dropped into hell, while I stayed home and got to go out on dates and watch the World Series.

As we came to his customized car, with its "Disabled Veteran" license plate, I wanted so much

*"I wanted so much to find a way to acknowledge the sacrifice he had made. What could I possibly say to this man?"*

to find a way to acknowledge the sacrifice he had made. What could I possibly say to this man?

Finally, with my heart pounding, worried that I might not say the right thing, I offered him my hand and said simply, "Thank you for your service to our country."

His face lit up. He was positively beaming as he gripped my hand firmly, looked up at me, and spoke words that I'll never forget:

"You know," he said with genuine gratitude, "that's only the third time that somebody has ever said anything like that to me."

We parted then. I haven't seen him since. But I carry the memory of his smile with me. This man touched my heart, and transformed Veterans Day from just another federal holiday when the banks and post offices are closed to an annual heartfelt remembrance of how blessed we Americans are to have such countrymen.

Whenever you are, my friend, I thank you from the bottom of my heart. And to all the rest of you veterans, and those of you on active duty, thank you, too. We are forever in your debt.

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## OVER THE HILL



HAROLD OAKES/RUIDOSO NEWS

**Dwayne Walker** looks at his car sitting a couple of hundred feet down the mountain Saturday afternoon. Walker, visiting from Cleveland, Texas, said he had been hiking all day and pulled in to the gravel parking spot at about the 6-mile marker on Ski Run Road, got out of the car, opened the trunk and got his binoculars. When he closed the trunk, Walker said the car started rolling. He tried to stop it until it reached the edge. Walker said a grey pickup drove by while he was trying to hold the car back, he yelled for help, but they ignored him and drove on.

## County again nixes PNM group

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For the second time, Lincoln County commissioners tabled action on joining a consortium of counties and cities opposing a proposed electric service rate increase in excess of 21 percent requested by the Public Service Company of New Mexico.

Commissioners Friday said they want more information and they were concerned about entering into agreement with unknown costs. At a minimum, they said they would consider approving a resolution opposing the increase, but they wanted continued discussion before any financial commitment.

The item was tabled at their Oct. 18 session and brought back on the floor at the Friday special meeting called to certify county general election results.

County Attorney Alan Morel said he used the interim to look into the agreement more in depth and learned it was drafted by the attorney for Silver City. He also spoke to Ruidoso Mayor Ray Albom, the village attorney and the attorney for the city of Ruidoso Downs.

"Collectively we had the same concerns," Morel said. "It was drafted to be open with no particular liability, unless (an entity) wanted to sign on to a particular obligation. To me, it is a little too loose."

Morel said Albom acknowledged that financial participation by those who sign on was anticipated.

"Do you want that?" Morel asked. "If you do, I think we need to add a paragraph that only if you vote to approve the financial expenditure would we participate." (Ruidoso Downs Attorney H. John Underwood) made a couple changes. He believes the group is subject to the state Open Meetings Act and the Public Record Act.

I agree.

"When you have governments putting money together and spending it on a common cause, I think we need a joint powers agreement. Possibly this could be called that, but then it needs the approval of the (State Department of Finance and Administration)."

Once the government entities join together to oppose the rate increase, PNM can obtain information about anything the members of the group say or do, Morel said.

"You don't have any attorney-client privilege when one government is talking to another," he said. "I think we need a joint defense agreement too, and I think we need to make clear Lincoln County is not participating financially unless this board specifically approves the expenditure."

Commissioner Don Williams said, "I think we need to do everything we can to represent our citizens in opposing (the rate increase), but do it right."

Commission Chairman Tom Battin said, "I've been very uncomfortable with this. It seemed very open-ended. I question it might be as effective if each entity on the list passed a resolution opposing (the rate increase). I'm concerned they may mount a very expensive and costly offensive. Are there any cost estimates?"

Morel said he thinks PNM will put millions of dollars into securing the rate increase.

At the beginning of the meeting Friday, commissioners heard from County Clerk Rhonda Burrows about the Nov. 2 general election.

Certification of the results was postponed until Monday, after the deadline for military ballots to be received. The deadline was extended by the courts to Saturday, because of late ballot delivery.

On Monday, Burrows said no more military votes arrived over the weekend and all the figures remained the same. Commissioners met briefly to certify the results.

*"I've been very uncomfortable with this. It seemed very open-ended."*

At the Friday session, Burrows complimented her roster of poll workers, saying they are the gate keepers of democracy. Their ages ranged from 17 years to 87 years. They get up early and stay late on election day, go through complicated processes to ensure the election is conducted properly and they attend to minute details.

She lauded the 101 precinct workers, three vote technicians and eight staff members who worked together to conduct the election, in addition to the demands of early voting and absentee voters.

She explained how having one write-in candidate

complicated the process and required those ballots to be separated and the precinct box to be opened in front of the commission and counted, if valid. "There is always someone who votes for Elmer Fudd," and other fictional characters, she said.

The precinct board opened the box with the keys from Burrows and from the district court, retallied the votes in Precinct 3 and resealed the box.

"That's just one of a hundred minute procedures these people must perform," she told commissioners.

Of the more than 13,000 registered voters in the county, 7,609 cast ballots in the election for a 58 percent turnout compared to 53 percent for the 2006 general election and 55 percent for September mail-in business retention gross receipts tax election, Burrows said. She received 1,058 absentee ballots by mail, 2,948 voted early in Ruidoso and Carrizozo.

"That's a lot of people voting prior," Burrow said. But 3,581 cast their ballots Nov. 2 at 19 percent polling places.

## Anthony casino may get another consideration

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**ANTHONY** — The U.S. government is taking a second look at a proposal by the Jemez Pueblo Indian Tribe to open a \$72 million resort casino, an action that is worrying some and exciting others in this community of 7,900.

The Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Department of Interior said they are reconsidering the application the tribe submitted to build the 48,000-square-foot casino on 100 acres near Interstate 10 about 20 miles north of El Paso.

The casino, if opened, would create 950 jobs, according to tribal officials.

"It will be a win-win situation," said Ray Loretto, former governor of the Jemez Pueblo and member of the Jemez enterprise management board.

In 2008, the Department of the Interior rejected the tribe's application. But a new administration in Washington, D.C., may be the difference the tribe is counting on.

Tribal officials hope that President Barack Obama's administration will allow them to build the casino, which will have slot machines, a hotel, card tables and other games.

"The new administration is taking the time to listen to us," said Jemez Gov. Joshua Madalena.

Madalena and a group of tribal officials visited Anthony on Nov. 5 to meet with city officials and residents of the community.

Plans to build the casino began in 2004, but the Bush administration killed the idea in 2008 because the casino would be located too far from the pueblo and the facility would not improve the employment issues of tribal members living on the reservation.

The Jemez Pueblo is located in the northern part of New Mexico, 293 miles from Anthony.

Tribal officials said the denial from the previous administration is irrelevant at this point. They believe the Department of Interior would not have granted reconsideration if it did not believe the denial was wrong.

Madalena said because the Jemez reservation is a poor community located in remote area, far from major thoroughfares, the pueblo is optimistic the government will grant them the permit to build the casino in Anthony through the Indian gaming regulatory act.

"Our revenue streams are almost nothing. Tourism is dead (on the reservation)," the governor said.

He said the tribe finds itself forced to look outside the reservation to create money-making ventures.

Jesus Gallegos, 54, who grew up in Anthony, said he was looking forward to the casino and the lift it could bring to the community.

"The casino will be a big help. When you look at Texas, how it is with all the businesses, and when at the north (Anthony, N.M.) you see a whole different world," he said. "Anthony needs jobs."

But Juan Acevedo, a trustee of the town, is not convinced the casino will improve the economy.

He said the jobs and benefits of the casino would primarily benefit the tribe.

"Tribe members will have priority over the people of Anthony. We would rather have businesses that are going to employ our community," he said.

Madalena said less than 30 percent of the jobs in the casino will be for tribe members.

Pueblo officials added they have agreed to create a \$40 million endowment that will eventually provide \$4 million a year in grant money for scholarships, parks and other community priorities.

If approved, the casino would employ about 950 people with full medical insurance, pueblo officials said.

Mayor Ramon Gonzalez, who was elected in April, has said he and the new council will work on a plan to attract businesses to Anthony. Gonzalez has not provided details of the plan, and could not be reached for comment.

Anthony has several restaurants, hair salons, a small community center, a small shopping center and a gas station, which is also the only convenience store in town.

Scott Scanland, a spokesman for the Sunland Park Racetrack and Casino and the Mescalero Apache Tribe, two opponents of the project, said the pueblo's proposal is in contradiction to the Indian gaming regulatory act, which is meant to provide jobs for Native Americans.

"The fact of the matter is that this is a multiple-year process. They're still at the opening stages," Scanland said.

He said that even if the proposal is approved, it could take up to 10 years before the project became a reality.

"In the mean time, (the Jemez Pueblo) is giving cruel hopes to the people of Anthony, N.M., about a project that may not happen at all," Scanland said.

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# EDUCATION

## Head Start eating smART

More than 175 pre-school-age children at Lincoln County Head Start are Eating SmART this fall, while enjoying classes in nutritional guidance, fitness, art, and music provided through the New Mexico Alliance for Children.

During September and October, the children at three Head Start units in Ruidoso, Capitan, and Hondo Valley have been learning about the nutritional value of fruits and veggies through their colors.

Head Start music teacher Marty Hall, along with Hobson's Nursery, donated pumpkins for every child to make their own original creations at Halloween.

Hall also donated 90 scarves to the three Head Start programs for the dance and movement activities.

Lincoln County Heart Start is grateful to artist Gary Henry for making 20 hand-carved and hand-painted wooden stick horses for the kids at Head Start.

On Nov. 8-9, Henry taught the children the finer points of stick-horse-riding, such as galloping, running, and trotting. The horses will be rotated around the eight Head Start classrooms in the weeks to come. Henry is also making jump ropes for the children.

Many area visiting



artists are lending their time and talents to make the program a success this year.

Some highlights of the arts enrichment programming so far include:

- Making fruit and veggie prints with artists Jennie Powell and Cynthia Smith;

- Scarf dancing, singing, and drumming with music/voice teacher Marty Hall;

- Dancing and movement exercises, Animal Trackers, and learning Spanish songs with dance instructor Andrea Reed;

- Mixed media garden

collages with artist Suzy Komara;

- Coming soon: Galloping and horsemanship with Gary Henry.

In August, NMAC conducted a training for 27 Lincoln County Head Start teachers and classroom assistants, providing the teachers with a manual and instruction in classroom methods to implement Eating SmART.

This school-year edition of Eating SmART, which will continue for 24 weeks through May 2011, is funded by a General Mills "Champions for Healthy Kids" grant.

## ART EDUCATION CONVENTION



HAROLD OAKES/RUIDOSO NEWS

Ruidoso Art Teacher Deborah Wenzel tests out the "tornado bottles" during a seminar on Art Education during the New Mexico Art Education Association convention at the Ruidoso Convention Center-Friday. Wenzel teaches art at Nob Hill Early Childhood Education Center, Sierra Vista Primary and White Mountain Elementary School and is one of the 140-plus members of the NMAE Association. Members of the NMAEA from around the state met in Ruidoso Friday and Saturday to share ideas on how to teach art to students of all ages. NMAE Association vice president Michelle Lemons said attendance at the convention was down a little this year, because of education budget cuts at schools.

## Two RHS students semi-finalist for Senate Youth Program

Two Ruidoso High School students have been selected as semi-finalists in the 49th Annual United Senate Youth Program.

Senior Gage Barnett and junior Taylor Vuichich are two of 12 semi-finalists in New Mexico. The selections were based on an application, letters of reference, written essay, high school transcript and resume including leadership and service activities.

The USSYP is a week-long educational experience and scholarship sponsored by the U.S. Senate for outstanding high school students who are interested in pursuing careers in

public service. The program provides a yearly opportunity for selected students to gain an in-depth view of the Senate and the federal government to gain a deeper understanding of the inter-relationship of the legislative, judicial and executive branches.

Two high school juniors or seniors are selected from each state to serve as delegates to Washington Week in March. During the week the student delegates meet and learn from government officials in Washington D.C. They attend briefings and meetings with senators, the president, a justice

on the U.S. Supreme Court, cabinet members, federal agency leaders and senior members of the national media.

The student delegates also receive a \$5,000 undergraduate college scholarship to continue coursework in government and history.

The selection process in high schools begins in the fall. Barnett and Vuichich took part in an interview round in Albuquerque on Monday. Two finalists and two alternates will be selected within the next month by New Mexico's Public Education Department secretary.

## GRADS program ongoing success

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Since the 2004-05 school year, 25 teen-parents have graduated from Ruidoso High School through the GRADS (Graduation Reality and Dual-role Skills) program.

The statewide GRADS system began as an in-school program for teenage parents. It has grown to include childcare centers on high school campuses, career readiness, pregnancy prevention, fatherhood and juvenile justice components.

"GRADS in the state of New Mexico has been in existence a little over 20 years," said Gretchen Chase, director of GRADS at Ruidoso High. "We've been here for 18. It is a program that has a long history not only in this community but in the state."

Statistics for the six pre-

vious school years, as well as 2010-11 to date, showed the number of Ruidoso GRADS students added up to 110.

"In total we have worked over the last several years anywhere from 12 to 20 at the peak. I'm at 17 students this year, which is a pretty good number. But lots of boys this year, which I've been really pleased to have.

Of the 17 current year GRADS, four are males.

"Typically the age of the fathers is that they are no longer in high school. But when they are still high school students I have great response."

The GRAD fathers are parenting fathers or boys with a girlfriend expecting a baby.

GRADS mothers are either pregnant or parenting females.

The number of GRAD students who have received a diploma during the past

six years totaled 25. Chase said six more teens are on track for graduation next spring.

"The greatest thing is the graduation number. Those are the seniors who have graduated, if not on time, close enough to on time to still be a victory to me," said Chase. "Part of the GRADS mission is to support the students not only while they're getting their high school diploma but for further education as well."

In addition the program attempts to encourage two-parent families and the development of healthy relationships.

"We do parenting and relationship information. We do how to deal with three-generational parenting at home. How to handle relationships. And just the tasks of being young parents. While they're teenagers, they're thrown into an adult world."

## TEEN SPOTLITE

Dana O'Toole is the next teen in the Spotlight. Dana is currently a junior at Ruidoso High School. She is the daughter of Teresa Melendy. Involvement in school activities is important to O'Toole. She is the current vice-president of SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions) and was instrumental in their last project. The SADD group co-sponsored bringing Kevin Brooks, an international speaker, to present to the students at Ruidoso High. His message, "Just Wiggle Your Toes," brings to light the importance of good choices and the how to navigate some of the risks that are present in the teen years.



Linda Tobkin, SADD sponsor, says, "Dana is a great student representative on the Lincoln County DWI Planning Council. She's energetic and wants to really help her peers make good choices."

This involvement, along with O'Toole's attendance

at the recent Light the Fire Youth Leadership Summit speak to her concern about her peers and her community.

Another arena where O'Toole has interest is medicine. She is currently a student intern with Dr. Tom Lindsey. Her future plans reflect this interest as she plans to attend college and medical school, then pursue a career as a cardiovascular surgeon. It is obvious O'Toole is a strong independent person who knows what she wants out of life. She credits her mother with helping her reach this point, and we all wish her the best in her future.

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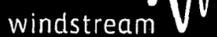
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## County planners entertain notion of a truly regional wastewater treatment plant

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Making the regional wastewater treatment plant truly regional will be a topic looked at by the Lincoln County Planning Commission.

The commission is currently reviewing the county's Comprehensive Plan that was adopted in 2007. A section of the comp plan mentions the sewage treatment plant that is owned by Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs.

"Is it possible that a regional wastewater facility is someplace down the road?" asked Planning Commission chair Fred Hansen.

"Should we recommend or think about recommending or discuss whether something like that makes sense? I live in Alto. Alto, Ranches of Sonterra, all that could flow to some point hydrologically toward Devil's Canyon."

Commissioner Paul Van Gulick agreed.

"I think there's two important pieces that we need to look at, starting with the fact that the county is a member of the Joint Use Board," said Van Gulick. "Currently there's just a regional wastewater treatment plant but it's not truly regional. And I think that if we looked at how could we use that resource to actually benefit the county rather than just being a silent partner that abstains typically during votes. Work it out to actually look at what are the county's needs and how could a regional wastewater system function to actually help the county in any number of ways."

Van Gulick said the terrain in the Alto area could support a collection system.

"I think there's already been some discussions in Alto on that subject. I would just preface this by saying that a regional system does not mean an interconnected regional system. It means functionally regional system. That is to say all of your resources are used in a reasonable fashion.

"For example, if you look at Alto, they have a couple of needs. One is that you could probably identify some areas where you could have sewage collection and treatment in a much smaller sense with what they call satellite treatment plants. You could serve an area, collect in it, and have this resource there. Then find some way to connect that with the rest of the regional system. In order to do that, you'd need to have personnel and resources, and that's where your central authority would come from."

Van Gulick saw another option.

"For septic pumping, there's no reason why some kind of regional system or entity couldn't be the ones to essentially manage the septic systems in, let's say, Alto. To do the monitoring that's needed. The same way we collect solid waste, and take it to the regional plant."

Van Gulick said the new liquid waste treatment facility would have the capacity to take what is pumped from septic tanks.

"If we are looking proactively, how can we participate in enlarging this Joint Use Board into a really regional authority that could actually serve the county."

Hansen said Lincoln County would see future growth.

"I've learned that 50 years from now we're going to have a larger population. So right now I can justify having some plan on the shelf that says if we ever can get to that point where we need it, here's what we might want to do."

Van Gulick said the wastewater treatment subject would require additional review by the commission for recommended changes to the comprehensive plan.

"If we could start a dialogue and maybe have the Joint Use Board come to one of our meetings. My view is the county ought to be taking a proactive position with the Joint Use Board to expand regionalization. I really think that ought to come out loud and clear in our master plan."

## Grant deal finally signed Downs adjusts sewer code

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A difference of opinion nearly cost the village a half-million-dollar reimbursement for restoration of the Rio Ruidoso channel after a devastating flood in July 2008.

Village councilors met in a special session Thursday to act quickly to approve a \$584,647.68 grant from the state Homeland Security Office, after officials cleared up the misunderstanding.

The Secretary of Homeland Security was convinced that the work didn't qualify, because it involved repairs on private land, Village Manager Debi Lee said.

"They sent us a certified letter that they were not going to fund us," she said. "We responded here's why they should, because in fact the channel work and an agreement with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers says we are responsible for it in perpetuity."

Lee said in August 2009, the Natural Resource Conservation and Development District of the U.S. Department of Agriculture approved \$2.4 million in channel improvements and former village manager Dan O. Higgins signed and submitted the application.

Homeland Security subsequently committed to providing a \$432,000 share for the state, but the issue never came to the council, which was being asked now to ratify the agreement and an increase to \$584,647.68.

"They accepted Mr. Morris' signature on this agreement when he was interim manager," she said.

"Homeland Security passes the money through the RC&DD, because it could not go directly to the village," Morris added. "All the work was completed and this needs to be signed so that we can legally receive the money."

In a meeting Monday, Mayor Ray Albom and HS staff were able to change the Homeland Security Secretary's mind and the village received an amendment this week, increasing the reimbursement by \$152,647 from \$432,000, Lee said.

"We are asking you to sign and return it quickly," she said. "It is my position and that of the village clerk that if something is contractual, we need the council's approval."

Councilor Gloria Sayers clarified that the potential rejection then was not because someone didn't sign or file documentation.

"No," Lee said. "They accepted Mr. Morris' signature, but this still is contractual and we want it on the record."

She planned to fax the information before the end of the working day.

Although he seemed ready to deny the application at the beginning of the session, after a brief conversation with his staff, the Homeland Security Secretary switched his opinion, Albom said. "He thought the work would mitigate problems in the future," the mayor said.

A motion by Councilor Angel Shaw to ratify the agreement signed by Morris and to receive the additional money under the grant agreement passed unanimously.

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In the wake of a recent Ruidoso-Ruidoso Downs feud over a cross-municipal sewer connection, Ruidoso Downs city councilors Monday adjusted their ordinance regulating sewer hookups.

City Attorney H. John Underwood said he recommended the minor language change to bring uniformity to both the water and sewer connection approval process for properties outside the city limits.

"The issue as to how a water connection outside the city limits could be done was addressed in paragraph A. The issue as to a violation is in (paragraph) D. And it refers to both water and sewer systems."

The violation clause prohibits a connection without the council's approval.

"So I suppose that would really say it's not a violation to hook up a sewer or a water main so long as there's prior approval. But subsection B, relating to sewers, didn't have the same clause, 'unless expressly approved by the city council,' as is the water. So in order to be consistent, and because the issue has come up recently, I thought it would be best to go ahead and amend that ordinance to allow hooking up sewers that are approved by the city council."

On Oct. 12 the council had balked at scheduling a special meeting to consider allowing a Ruidoso home with a failed septic system to tie into the city's sewage collection system. Legal counsel at the time said the

city's public works ordinance stated council approval was needed for the sewer connection from a source outside the city.

A court later ordered the connection due to health and safety issues. The New Mexico Environment Department had also pressed for the 80-foot connection.

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Wendell Lloyd Walker "Papaw", age 76, passed away Sunday, October 31, 2010 in Odessa.

He was born February 23, 1934 in Duncan,

Oklahoma to William Andrew Walker and Juanita Niblett

Walker. His father was an oilfield worker. Wendell went to several different schools before moving to Elida, New Mexico in 1950, where he worked on a ranch. He graduated high school and married his high school sweetheart, Julie Florence Qualls on May 18, 1953 in Elida, New Mexico. He continued to work on a ranch for awhile, before moving to Odessa, Texas where he worked in the oil field. He then went to work for the Odessa Police Department and was appointed Deputy Chief in 1981. He retired, after 30 years of service in 1989. After retirement, he moved to Ruidoso, New Mexico. He enjoyed the mountains, pine trees, wild life, neighbors and church family at Ruidoso Baptist Church, where he was a Deacon and active faithful member. He was a woodcarver and loved to travel with his travel trailer. He enjoyed target practice and competition shooting with SASS Gun Club and Lincoln County Regulators Shooting Club.

He was a good husband, Dad, Papaw and Great Papaw. He had all of the grandchildren wood carving with him. He also loved his daughters-in-law. He loved to carve presents for everyone, and he taught everyone how to play Moon.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his oldest granddaughter, Kerri Kay, who went to heaven July 1992.

Survivors include his wife, Julie Walker of Ruidoso; his sons, Joel Walker and wife Kay, of Odessa, Clay Walker and wife Kerri of Ruidoso; grandchildren, Jeffrey Walker and wife Taryn, Larissa Andis and husband Greg Andis, Taryn Walker, Cody Walker, Mason Walker, Mikal Newton, and Korfni Dolan; great grandchildren, Roan Walker, Teel Walker, Kylie Andis, Kiera Andis, Brooklyn Walker, and Tristen LaCouture; brothers, Robert Walker and wife Prissy and Rusty Walker and wife Tammy; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be 6-8 PM Wednesday, November 3, 2010 at Sunset Memorial Funeral Home. Memorial services are scheduled for 1:00 PM Thursday, November 4, 2010 at Crossroads Fellowship Church with Reverend Wayne Joyce officiating. Private burial will be held at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

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# Santa's Helpers begin their annual toy drive

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The big kids brought out their toys Sunday to kick off the toy drive for Santa's Helpers.

Although the motorcycles were not counted, over 250 people donated \$3 to get in at the door at The Quarters and Santa's Helpers raised over \$10,000, about a third of what they will need for this year.

They also got a trailer load of toys, as each person brought at least one toy to donate.

The Huns Motorcycle Club brought a truckload of toys to donate.

"That really brought tears to the eyes of the volunteers," event organizer Tammy Mattingly said.

Mattingly has been organizing the Joy for Kids Toy Run for 11 years.

"It is our only official fundraiser for Santa's Helpers Mattingly said of the Joy for Kids Toy Run and gathering at The Quarters.

This year Mattingly is working with the woman she started with in 2000, Stacey Miller. After a three-year absence, Miller is back as president of Santa's Helpers.

"It was started by Kathy Osborne," Miller said of the organization that became Santa's Helpers. "As near as I can tell, it started in 1990."

Osborne died in February 2007 but is very fondly remembered by those who worked with her helping children in the area.

"We still ask ourselves



HAROLD OAKES/RUIDOSO NEWS

**Santa Claus** joins the Huns Motorcycle Club for the Joy for Kids Toy Run party inside The Quarters in Midtown Ruidoso Sunday. The Huns MC from Alamogordo and other cities in the Southwest, including Sierra Vista, Arizona, brought a truck loaded with toys to donate to the Toy Run for Santa's Helpers. A member of the Huns MC said they were going to try to gather some more toys to donate.

"What would Kathy do," when we have a decision to make," Mattingly said.

The Joy for Kids Toy Run is just the beginning of the process of putting together Christmas for needy families in Lincoln County.

"We have always done, over the past few years, 300 to 400 families," Mattingly said. "Which is 800 to 1,000 kids throughout the whole county."

"Lincoln County only," Miller said.

Miller said they would

go as far as Corona, if someone there asks for help.

Qualifying for help requires a birth certificate for each of the children, proof that they live in Lincoln County and a check of the family income.

"We want to make sure that they live here," Miller said. "The people who donate to this want it to stay here and so do we."

Miller said they also do random in-home checks to ensure that the families asking for help are really in

need of help.

"We are a corporation and there are reporting requirements," Miller said.

Miller said applications for families in need would be available at Century 21 Real Estate, Pinnacle Real Estate and at MTD Radio, starting Nov. 15.

"And at the workshop, when it opens," Mattingly said. The Workshop is the Convention Center operation.

"The workshop at the Convention Center will open November 29th,"

Mattingly said. "We do want the community to volunteer to come down and wrap presents and put all these boxes together. We will have from then until December 21st to get all this ready to go."

Miller said the Workshop would be open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and closed on Sundays.

"We really want to emphasize that we want the community's involvement," Mattingly said. "We expect to see their smiling

faces."

"This community is always great about supporting Santa's Helpers," Miller said. "It is all done with donations and volunteers."

Donation can be made by calling Mattingly at 575-336-4629. Volunteers and people wanting to make a donation can also call the Workshop at 575-258-2446, after Nov. 29.

"We will also have an answering machine on the phone at the Workshop," Miller said.

"It has been a wonderful thing," Mattingly said of her 11-year involvement with Santa's Helpers. "We have helped a lot of children and seen some real miracles."

"We also help the elderly," Miller said. "What we do there is food, mainly, and warm clothing."

Each of the families helped by Santa's Helpers also receives food.

Miller said that going into the opening of the Workshop, monetary donations are the big need.

"The food can cost \$10,000," Mattingly said.

They said they are also including backpacks with school supplies and some clothing. Children get one item on their wish list.

Some Christmas presents may come from Santa's workshop at the North Pole, but this group of Santa's helpers plans to buy locally.

"We try to spend all the money right here in the community," she said. "The donations are from the community, for the community."

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# P&Z members review commercial zoning

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Having covered residential zoning in Ruidoso in preparation for an overall review of allowed uses, members of the village Planning and Zoning Commission turned their attention to commercial zones.

During their meeting last week, Deputy Village Manager Bill Morris explained the four commercial zones and acknowledging that C4, meant for heavy commercial businesses, has never been used. Only one place in town, the Close Street area near the village road department and a construction complex, probably would qualify for that designation, he said.

The C1 zoning district, neighborhood commercial, deals directly with the citizens for whom the services are intended, he said. It is close to residential areas and consists of low impact commercial uses without much intensity, such as a small food store, restaurants with a square footage limit, a laundry, beauty and barbershops, bakeries, ice cream stores, each not to exceed 2,000 square feet.

"The intent is not to be intensive," he said. "A hotel is allowed, but cannot exceed 50 units. Mini-warehouses are all right to provide storage for residents."

Morris said conditional uses, requiring review and approval with possible additional requirements from the commission, include a convenience store with gas, but not more than four pumps. A convenience

store without pumps is a principal permitted use.

Morris said C1 covers areas such as Upper Canyon, where most lodging doesn't exceed 50 units. "It looks to preserve commercial cabins," he said.

Commissioner Larry Wimbrow, sitting in as chairman in the absence of Beth Hood, asked if 2,000 square feet is enough space for a restaurant, but Morris said it should be something small to be compatible with the district.

Commissioner Art Hinz said he put a question mark next to the allowed use of commercial stables.

Morris said the C2 community commercial district is designed for low intensity retail service outlets that deal directly with consumers. The area must be served by an arterial street, which mean U.S. 70, Mechem Drive or Sudderth Drive. He referred to the district as, "the belly of the beast."

Commissioners could consider "sub-areas" in the future to create a Mechem north or south, he said. The permitted uses for C2 include all C1 neighborhood commercial plus banks, clubs, offices, restaurants, bars, retail sales and service, schools and service establishments.

Besides the principal permitted uses, 30 conditional uses are outlined in the village code.

"You could have a bar right next to a home?" Wimbrow asked.

Morris said commissioners need to decide how much residential use is appropriate in commercial

zones. Wimbrow said housing built for elderly residents across from village senior center would be an example of a C2 blend of commercial and residential.

### Outdated usage

Morris said new single-family housing in C2 would be a nonconforming use. If a non-conforming use lapses for six months or more, that use is invalid. Another area that needs to be cleared up is conflicting wording on automotive and boat sales and services.

"And I think we can eliminate drive-in theaters," Hinz said.

Wimbrow read off some other uses as overnight camping, games of skill, Turkish baths and shooting galleries.

"Those speak to our history," Morris said. "This district was intended to be the core commercial district and everything allowed in code is in there. We should consider limiting residential."

Morris told commissioners he would skip C3, mid-

town commercial, for discussion at another session, "because it is so different from the others." The historic tourist shopping core requires a separate meeting, he said.

The C4 designation, heavy commercial, is designed to cover contractors' offices, fuel sales and larger storage, automotive service stations, heavy equipment sales and service, warehousing, welding shops, tire sales, firewood sales and truck terminals.

Conditional uses include wrecker services.

"We have not zoned that area," he said. "I can't tell you why or if there is any history or not. We have to discuss whether to proceed. We will be zoning the (recently) annexed land in the area and C4 could be consistent with that area as a whole."

Industrial was considered at one time for an Industrial Park near the municipal airport, Sierra Blanca Regional Airport, that never was developed.

"There's a lot to mull over," Wimbrow said.

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ed, frankly everybody is having their address changed," said Williams. "People that have cluster boxes with the post office, utility companies that require addresses from the property, and/or the county, if there's any issue dealing with the county on property taxes. What is the city's responsibility in ensuring that those three are taken care of, or are we responsible or are the citizens responsible for taking care of it?"

Every resident and property owner in Ruidoso Downs will be notified by mail of the address changes, said City Clerk Carol Virden.

"They will also be notified that they will have to update their voter registration so that when the March 2012 elections come that the signature rosters match their residence address. So they will be notified of all the changes that are going to take place. And we will notify the post office, Zia Natural Gas, PNM, and all those other agencies that are involved

in this. We will take care of it."

The Planning and Zoning Department began the review of 9-1-1 addressing a year ago. Police, fire and other emergency responders met with the Planning and Zoning Commission to review addresses and provide input.

The list of address changes by street name or subdivision is 65 pages long. They range from adjustments such as 210 Griffith becoming 211 Griffith Drive, to as different as 203 Second Drive becoming 401 Harris Lane.

Councilor Rene Olivo noted there were street name changes as well.

Planning and Zoning Director Steve Dunigan said there would be another street to be named in the future.

"There is a specific street that is in the process of being worked on so that it can be dedicated to the city," Dunigan said. "Once we have a formal survey that we can present for that dedication by proclamation, the street name can be done at the same time."

Maps with all the street addresses have been posted at City Hall.

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## Warriors go for some '02 déjà vu

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Ruidoso goes into the football playoffs hoping for some '02 déjà vu.

The one point victory over Portales Friday night got the Warriors a No. 9 seed into the State 3AAA football championship playoffs. That's how they started the playoffs in 2002.

"We were 5-5 that year and we ended up 8-5 and winning a State Championship that year," Ruidoso coach Keif Johnson said.

Just like in 2002, Ruidoso has to travel to Santa Fe to play St. Michaels.

With St Michaels getting home field, it became a Saturday afternoon game, kicking off at 1:30 p.m.

"They don't have lights on their field," Johnson said.

That almost came into play in 2002, when the game went four overtime periods and finished just as it got dark.

"We thought we were going to have to move that game because it was really getting dark by the time we finished the fourth overtime," Johnson said.

That was then, this is now.

"They've got a couple of big backs and they like to just pound it at you," Johnson said of St. Michaels. "Our linebackers and defensive backs are going to have

to have a big day Saturday, taking on those lead blockers and they have a big fullback that lowers his shoulder and gets after you."

Johnson said he has the Warriors playing a very aggressive defense.

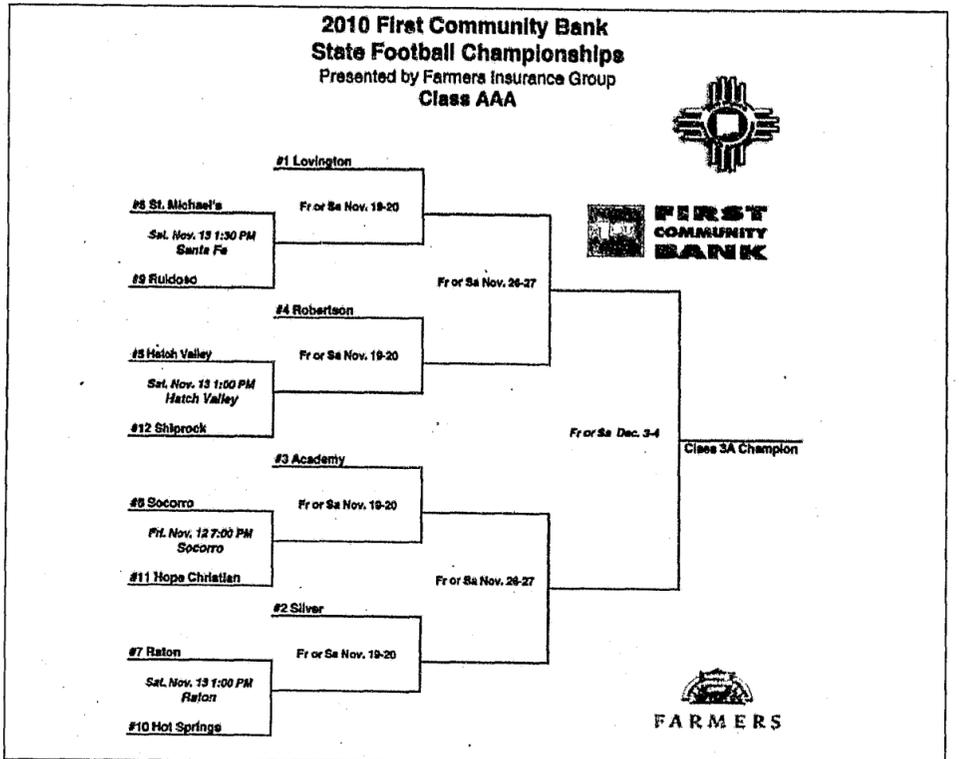
"We will definitely bring some heat," Johnson said. "We play a Miami 4-3 defense attacking defense. Our D-line is taught to get after it and go make plays."

"Our biggest thing right now for our linebackers is reading their keys and stepping up in the hole and filling it, Johnson said. "You can't set back and let that big fullback come and hit you two yards deep, you have to go meet him in the hole and stuff it in there."

Johnson credits the defense with the win Friday that got the Warriors into the No. 9 position for the playoffs.

"The kids play tough defensively," Johnson said. "We had a goal-line stand in the first quarter and that was huge. That won the game. They scored on us a couple of times but we stopped the two point conversions. That won the game. Any play can win the game. That's what you tell the kids. So you have to play hard every play."

Ruidoso jumped out to an early lead then Portales came back to make it a game.



"We were up nine points and felt pretty good, then boom, boom, boom, they are right back in it," Johnson said. "Portales' record doesn't reflect how good they really are. They played a tough schedule."

Portales (1-9) played Artesia, Roswell and Goddard, all 4AAAA

schools and all losses.

Jesse Scariffiotti led the Ruidoso defense with 23 tackles.

Forest Sanchez and Ish Cook each had interceptions in the game.

"Forest Sanchez had an interception in the end zone that stopped a drive of theirs,"

Johnson said. "Ish Cook had an early interception."

Johnson complimented the work of the defensive line.

"Our front line does a good job of taking on blocks and tying linemen up so our linebackers can

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## Lady Warriors' playoffs begin

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When Ruidoso lost three straight games to Portales last Thursday, the prospects for the playoffs seemed pretty dim to coach Mandy Padilla. But, they got into the tournament as the tenth seed.

"Tenth is actually a really good seed for us and I am happy with the pool we are in," Padilla said. "We have played Santa Fe Indian before and we are a better team than when we played them the first time. And Hatch, we've seen them play, so it's not like they are anybody new for us."

Padilla said Ruidoso beat Hatch last year and they have many of the same players again this year.

All three District 4-3AAA schools, Portales, Lovington and Ruidoso, are in the tournament.

"We just want to see our District do well and go as far as we can to prove that we are a strong District and deserve to be there," Padilla said.

Lovington's lone District win came against the Lady Warriors.

"Lovington is a good squad," Padilla said. "They beat Robertson, who is up there and got in ahead of us."

District 1 has four of their five teams in the tournament.

"They always do that," Padilla said. "They always try to get everyone in."

Hope Christian School did not make it from District 1 this year.

"I think Lovington is a

better team than Hope Christian," Padilla said.

Lovington knocked Ruidoso out last year.

The Pool Play for the tournament starts tomorrow at Santa Ana Star Center.

"The atmosphere is different," Padilla said. "Most of our girls have been there and it's nothing new to them."

Ruidoso plays at 8 a.m. Thursday and then again before lunch on Thursday.

"If we come in first, we play again at 8 a.m. Friday morning," Padilla said. "If not, we play again at 5:30. Thursday is going to be a long day for us if we don't come in first."

Padilla said she is hoping to only play twice tomorrow, but is confident the team can do alright if they have to play again.

"I'm hoping that as a coach I have conditioned them enough," Padilla said.

"We have played tournaments where we played back to back to back."

Playing in the Tournament is going to take mental toughness as well as physical conditioning.

"It's really a matter of who makes the fewest errors," Padilla said. "There isn't anybody that really stands out this year."

The finals for 3AAA are scheduled for 4 p.m. Saturday. Ruidoso hopes to still be on the court then.

The Lady Warriors have the motivation to make this their year.

"For seven of these girls, the seniors, this is it," Padilla said. "For them volleyball is over after this week."

## Broadcasters have another year of football adventures

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Saturday's broadcast of the Capitan football game from Tierra Amarilla marked the end of the eighth season of "Radical Redneck Football" as Escalante ended Capitan's season 40-12.

Broadcasters Kent McInnes, Justin King and Laura McInnes flew into the Jicarilla Apache/Dulce airport.

"This is actually a public airport, but the gate was locked," McInnes said.

The airport had an Elk Fence around it that, according to Kent, was about 11-feet tall and topped with barbed wire.

"I was worried about Laura climbing over the fence," Kent McInnes said. "Heck, she went over it in about two seconds. It was us that had the problem getting over."

Kent got grabbed by a barb as he crossed the top.

"Laura actually told me to stop, that I was hooked," Kent said. "I had to climb back up and unhook myself."

"Then the Redneck Limo, which is Micky (Huey), he's setting on the other side of the fence waiting for us to jump over the fence so he can take us to the game," Kent said. "Now we are 45 minutes away from the game and it is pre-game time, so we just do the pre-game show as we are driving down the road."

Huey drives to the games.

"We call him the John



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Capitan Football broadcasters, r-l, Kent McInnes, Micky Huey and Justin King broadcast games from pickup trucks, the stands and the occasional press box as they followed the Tigers through another season.

Madden of the team because he won't fly with us," Kent said.

Huey drives from Corona, where his family owns Huey Metal. He is known as (Batman theme music here) 'Statman.'

The broadcast began with the telling of their adventures getting out of the airport as they drove the 40 miles to Escalante school.

"When we got there, there's not a lot of bleacher seats," Kent said. "We told them we were with KWES out of Ruidoso and they let us on in. We just found a little hill and backed the truck up and called the game from the back of the pickup."

Cell reception was spotty, so McInnes had to hold one position for the entire game to keep them on the air.

"Micky walked in front of me once and it went off the air," McInnes said. "I said, 'Dude, you can't be walking in front of me. You gotta move man.'"

This is just the latest adventure of the volunteer broadcast crew that puts a different spin on football.

It started in 2002, when Danny Haynes dared his buddy, Kent to go to the radio station and ask if they could broadcast the football games. Haynes said Kent was a natural because he talked all the time any way, so he might

as well do it on the air.

KWES/KBUY radio told Kent to get the sponsors and they would broadcast the games.

Kent got the sponsors, many of which are still with the broadcasts.

The following year they switched from AM to KWES FM so the people in Capitan could hear the games without driving out of town to a hill to pick up the AM station at night.

Haynes, who owns his own plumbing business, was no longer able to make the road trips for the away games after last year, so Justin King, a Capitan alumnus and

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# FOOTBALL

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come in and make the plays," Johnson said. "Jesse Scariffoti has a nose for the ball. He flies around. He is one of the best linebackers I have coached around here."

On the offensive side of the ball, Julian Lopez caught two touchdown passes from Scariffoti, who also plays quarterback for the Warriors.

It wasn't a big margin, but it was a big win. Ruidoso is in the picture for a State Championship.

"We were hoping to get that No. 8 seed," Johnson said. "A lot of people didn't pick Hatch to move all the way up to No. 5."

"We are all trying to figure out the seeding process," he said. "Do you play a tougher schedule to make you a better team? Or, do you play a weaker schedule to get a better seed in the playoffs?"

Ruidoso beat Hatch, but Johnson said that the Hatch victory over Socorro

seemed to weigh pretty heavily in the seeding.

"When you look at it, we beat Hatch and we beat Lordsburg, who beat Hatch," Johnson said. "We lost that Hot Springs game and we shouldn't have lost that one."

"They try also to not pair up teams in their home District right away," he said. "If you look at it, everybody is playing somebody different and then the next round you could be playing someone from your District."

The winner of Saturday's game gets to go to Lovington to play the No.1 seed.

Johnson said this is the point of the season where all the teaching and philosophy he and his staff have done all year comes into play. Lessons learned now have to be applied if they are going to do what the 2002 Warriors did.

"Offense wins games, defense wins championships," Johnson said. "Right now every game is a kind of a mini-championship."

KRUI will broadcast the game on AM 1490, with the pre-game at 1 p.m.

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### OVERALL INDIVIDUAL RESULTS:

#### 1-2A BOYS

Place, TmPI Name, School, 1mile, 2mile, Finish, Pace, Bib#

1, 1 Antonio Varela, Pecos, 5:09, 10:29  
16:05.25, 5:11, 515

2, 2 Troy Madalena, Jemez Valley, 5:10, 10:37 16:33.55:20, 470  
3, 3 Augustus Cuch, Laguna Acoma, 5:17, 11:02, 17:02.75, 5:30, 460

4, 4 Cj Salvador, Laguna Acoma, 5:25, 11:14, 17:05.95, 5:31, 465

5, 5 Eric Eridon, East Mountain, 5:27, 11:14, 17:07.90:31, 482

6, 6 Joseph Luna, Estancia, 5:26, 11:18, 17:20.70, 5:35, 493

7, 7 Maclom Skeet, Rehoboth, 5:28, 11:17, 17:23.45, 5:36, 568

8, 7 Ben Bautista, Laguna Acoma, 5:40, 11:32, 17:29.55, 5:38, 459

9, 8 Jonathan Torrez, Pecos, 5:29, 11:23, 17:37.20, 5:41, 513

10, 9 Arvin Curley, Navajo Pine, 5:41, 11:36, 17:40.10, 5:42, 589

- Local competitors -  
123, Carl Barela, Carrizozo HS, 6:23, 13:55, 22:04.30, 7:07, 563  
124, Austin Howard, Carrizozo HS, 6:53, 14:30, 22:04.75, 7:07, 567

### OVERALL INDIVIDUAL RESULTS:

#### 3A BOYS

Place, TmPI Name, School, 1mile, 2mile, Finish, Pace, Bib#

1, 1 Santiago Pasquale, Santa Fe Indian School, 5:24, 10:55 16:17.25 5:15, 672

2, Eric Fenton, Hope Christian High School, 5:15, 10:45 16:25.55 5:18, 689

3, 2 Andres Gonzales, St. Michael's High School, 5:20, 10:54 16:32.15 5:20, 681

4, 3 Steven Mora, Santa Fe Indian School, 5:23, 10:55 16:34.80 5:21, 670

5, 4 Brannon Wallace, Zuni, 5:15, 10:49 16:35.30 5:21, 613

6, 5 Jesse Madelena, Santa Fe Indian

School, 5:24, 10:58 16:41.60 5:23, 669

7, 6 Herbert Beyale III, Shiprock, 5:17, 10:59 16:44.20 5:24, 602

8, 7 Robert Abeyta, Santa Fe Indian School, 5:22, 10:57 16:49.00 5:25, 667

9, 8 Daniel Santistevan, Pojoaque Valley High School, 5:15, 10:55 16:49.60 5:25, 677

10, 9 Devin Casamero, Thoreau, 5:17, 10:58 16:54.95 5:27, 616

- Local competitors -  
24, 21 Avery Carr, Ruidoso High School, 5:35, 11:41 17:52.15 5:46, 644

34, 30 Isiah Kayitah, Ruidoso High School, 5:31, 11:41 18:05.00 5:50, 70, 62 Rylan Vega, Ruidoso High School, 6:04, 12:47 19:27.95 6:16, 647

81, 71 Stephen Orocco, Ruidoso High School, 6:18, 13:10 20:10.65 6:30, 649

86, 75 Chris Estrada, Ruidoso High School, 6:27, 13:43 21:06.85 6:48 648

### OVERALL INDIVIDUAL RESULTS:

#### 1-2A GIRLS

Place TmPI Name, School, 1mile, 2mile, Finish, Pace, No.

1, 1 Caroline Kaufman, East Mountain, 5:59, 12:41, 19:39.85, 6:20, 16

2, 2 Missy Saavedra, Laguna Acoma, 6:19, 13:22, 20:27.90, 6:36, 13

3, 3 Kendall Kelly, Bosque School, 6:25, 13:21 20:42.05, 6:40, 2

4, 4 Lacey Natsaway, Laguna Acoma, 6:18, 13:19 20:48.75, 6:42, 9

5, 5 Jocelyn Riley, Laguna Acoma, 6:27, 13:35 20:53.20, 6:44, 10

6, Halley Lucero, Mesa Vista, 6:20, 13:32, 20:55.05, 6:44, 937

7, 6 Rellie Kelly, Bosque School, 6:17, 13:29 21:01.50, 6:47, 3

8, Reagan Talker, Gallup Catholic, 6:38, 13:42 21:07.70, 6:49, 97

9, 7 Rachel Ness, Estancia, 6:31, 13:57 21:11.95, 6:50, 439,

10, 8 Crystal Hernandez, Tucumcari, 6:31, 13:47 21:14.85, 6:51, 39,

- Local competitors -  
48, Jenna Scharz, Carrizozo HS, 7:07, 15:24, 23:26.50, 7:33, 60, 123, Lauren Smith, Carrizozo HS, 9:19, 20:13, 31:15.40 10:04, 68,

### OVERALL INDIVIDUAL RESULTS:

3A GIRLS  
Place TmPI Name, School, 1mile, 2mile, Finish, Pace, No.

1, 1 Kate Norskog, St. Michael's High School, 6:03, 12:27 19:21.55, 6:14, 174

2, 2 Leanne Lee, Zuni, 6:01, 12:45, 19:47.05, 6:23, 121

3, 3 Autumnrain Chee, Shiprock, 6:12, 13:04 20:11.85, 6:31, 111

4, 4 Dayna Guerro, Socorro High School, 6:23, 13:16, 20:30.65 6:37, 155



5, Rachel Fleddermann, Sandia Prep, 6:30, 13:34, 20:50.80, 6:43, 193

6, 5 Allycia Gashyeva, Zuni, 6:36, 13:36, 20:58.05, 6:45, 118

7, 6 Karianne Jones, Wingate, 6:31, 13:41, 20:59.55, 6:46, 106

8, 7 Kaitlin Hutchinson, Robertson, 6:20, 13:29, 20:59.75, 6:46, 127

9, 8 Tanya Belone, Wingate, 6:22, 13:41, 21:00.85, 6:46, 103

10, 9 Angelica Vega, Silver High School, 6:35, 13:49, 21:02.70, 6:47, 148

- Local competitors -  
86, Vivian Allard, Ruidoso High School, 7:42, 16:55, 26:21.55, 8:30, 171

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Sierra Blanca Airport manager, replaced him for this season.

"We had some great times with Danny," Kent said. "No doubt about that."

They replaced the plumber with a pilot.

"We fly a 1951 Beechcraft Bonanza V-tail platform," McInnes said of King's plane. "He calls it Redneck Airlines. When he calls in to Sierra Blanca Airport he gives his call letters and then says "This is Redneck 1."

Kent said it has been an adventure, flying to the away games with King.

"We flew into Fort Sumner Airport to begin the year and there is not much there," he said. "So, when we left out there's no lights, there's no moon. It's

really dark. I asked Justin if we were really leaving. He said "Oh, yea." He pulled right out of there. He's a heck of a pilot, but that was a little eventful.

Kent also said it was memorable for his daughter, Haley, when she came down from UNM to fly to the Mesilla Valley game. She had never flown before.

"I gave Justin some of this Peach Herbal snuff," Kent said. "He puts it in his mouth. Now, we're flying along at about 10,000 feet and he says, "This is awful." All he has is a little bitty window. Haley is in the back looking out the window when Justin spits this out that little window and it suddenly splatters on her window. It was an experience for her."

The Radical rednecks will call the game from the press box, the stands, Micky's pickup or anyplace.

"We called a game from the top of about a 4-by-4 Concession Stand in Cloudcroft, freezing to death," Kent said.

They also called a game from the bleachers in Mescalero when Micky nearly froze because he didn't bring a coat, thinking they would be in the press box.

The Radical Rednecks have hooked up with KSVF radio in football crazy Artesia. KSVF feeds them statewide scores from Artesia.

"That all comes in to Laura at the house," McInnes said. "She calls that the Redneck Studio."

Look for the all volunteer Radical Rednecks crew to return to the air for the 2011 Capitan Football season.

"I really just do it for the kids," Kent said. Kent McInnes' real job is working for Ferguson Enterprises in Ruidoso.

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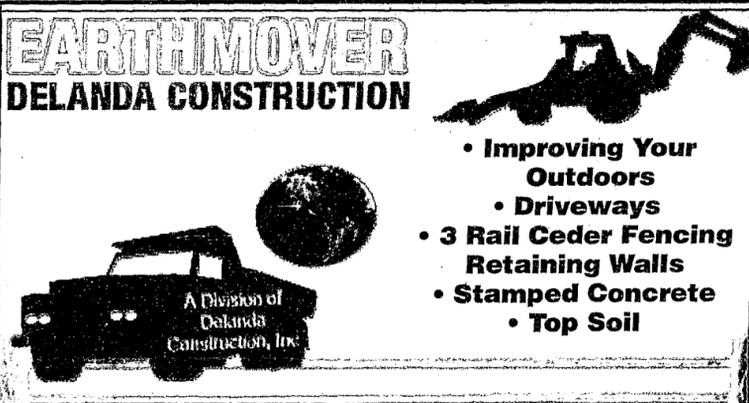
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## National FFA Convention is 'trip of a lifetime'

**MELODY GAINES**  
For the Ruidoso News

Four members and two sponsors of the Carrizozo FFA Chapter traveled to Indianapolis, Ind, for the National FFA Convention held Oct. 19-23.

The event allowed for the students to compete, serve as voting delegates, sight see, attend Convention sessions, participate in educational career success tours, meet FFA members from other states and enjoy "big city" experiences.

This year's Convention, with its theme, "FFA: Infinite Potential," had more than 55,000 in attendance.

Kylie Gaines competed in the National FFA Agri-Science Fair with her state winning project entitled, "The Skinny on Fresh Pork Sausage," which was a study seeking out the healthiest breakfast sausage on the market in our area.

Gaines placed 8th in her division at the National level.

This year's AgriScience Fair was the largest competitive event held at the

National FFA Convention with 580 entries; a record breaking number for this event.

Marshal Wilson represented New Mexico FFA as a State Officer and served as a voting delegate with his fellow officers during the business sessions of the Convention.

Wilson attended leadership workshops and meetings with other State Association FFA Officers from all across the United States.

The other students representing Carrizozo FFA at the Convention were Carrizozo High School seniors Fernando Najera and Roper Webb.

They enjoyed all aspects of the convention and attended sessions and tours to include Kroger's Bakery and Dairy Processing Plant and Dow Agri-Sciences.

At Kroger's, a major supermarket chain, they saw how their bakery and dairy products are made and packaged for consumers. Dow AgriScience allowed for the students to interact with the scientists, biologists and chemists who are developing herbi-

cides and pesticides for the optimum growth of crops such as corn, soybeans and sunflower seeds.

Students on this tour were also allowed to do hands-on activities in several of the Dow research labs.

The National FFA Convention trip is often considered by students and sponsors as a "trip of a lifetime" for many and this trip was certainly no exception.

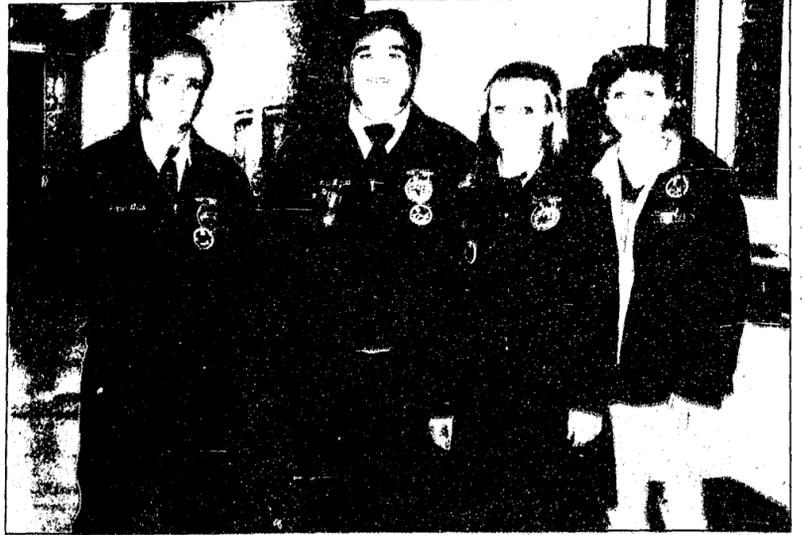
One of the highlights of the trip was attending an FFA Member's Only concert that featured country music recording artists Easton Corbin and the group Lady Antebellum.

The students also enjoyed one very eventful evening of ice skating; a rare event for New Mexico High School students.

Indianapolis proved herself to be a city that offers many venues for those who attend the Convention.

It welcomes the FFA with its thousands of blue and gold jackets, who fill its downtown area every year.

The students were accompanied by their sponsors Patti Nesbitt, principal of Carrizozo Schools and Melody Gaines.



Carrizozo FFA members attending the FFA National Convention in October were above, l-r, Roper Webb, Fernando Najera, Kylie Gaines and not pictured, Marshal Wilson. Accompanying the students along with Melody Gaines, not pictured was above far right, Patti Nesbitt, Carrizozo Schools principal. At right, Roper Webb expresses his emotional moments while ice skating, a not-so-common sport for students of the Southwest.

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## SEPTEMBER CARRIZOZO ¡BRAVO!



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¡BRAVO! winners for September at Carrizozo Schools, grades K-4, are Front Row: Cayden Chavez, Emily Hill, Hunter King, Colton King, Ashley Burch, Deven Zamora, and Julie Gonzales; Second Row: Jameal Garcia, Kelsie Guevara, Melissa Barela, Erollyn Lueras, and Daniel Najer; Third Row: Kaitlin Guevara, Sydney Zamora, Dallton King, Bella Bartz, James Hemphill, and Joel Villanueva; Top Row: Mya Zamora, D'anna Willingham, Robert Lueras, Mathias Zamora, and Izaiah Parkhurst. Not Pictured: Ryslyn Lueras.

### CARRIZOZO SCHOOLS HONOR ROLL

#### First Nine-Weeks

##### A Honor Roll

12th Grade: Joel Ferguson, Kylie Gaines, Jordan Hill, Cory Meehan, Troy Niederstadt, Brianna Ochoa, Lauren Smith, Marshal Wilson;

11th Grade: Marshall Ventura;

10th Grade: Brittany Simmons, Victoria Ventura;

9th Grade: Sarah Ferguson, Shayna Gallacher, Mason Huston, Johnathan Smith;

7th Grade: Cirsten Barela, Emily Comstock.

Lexi Zamora

6th Grade: Kristie Gallacher, Gracie Hooten, Lashae Lueras, Alex Randolph, Garrison Ventura, Janae Willingham, Mikhail Zamora-Barela'

##### B Honor Roll

12th Grade: Kristi Gensler, Chelsea LaMay, Fernando Najera, Jenna Scharzt, Wade Sultemeier, Stephanie Zamora;

11th Grade: Cole Hubbard

10th Grade: Andrea Beltran, Arturo Najera, Tavi Nash, Casey Vega, Shayna Zamora;

9th Grade: Devon Arteche, Nicholas Chavez, Jace Hill, Dalton Vega, Rylah Zamora;

8th Grade: Laura Martin, Jacie Thornton, Tiffany Vega;

7th Grade: none

6th Grade: Miccah Hamilton; Andrea Apodaca, Christian Najer, Deline Arteche, Joel Torres, Marcus Campbell, Caleb Ventura, Danny Roper, Taylor Thornton, Hannah Ventura;

5th Grade: Xavier Zamora.

As reported by Carrizozo Schools.

### CAPITAN MIDDLE SCHOOL HONOR ROLL

#### First Nine-Weeks

##### A Honor Roll

8th Grade: Olivia Bertrand, Jace Davis, Cheyenne Dowdell, Kalyn Hazen, Robbie Richardson, Angel Whitlock;

7th Grade: Ryan De-Neill, Bryanna Parker, Cherish Payton, Regan Pruet, Evan Sabo, Oliver Schultz;

6th Grade: Terren Brown, Aubrey Closson, Sophie Dirks, Adriana McWilliams, Phoenix Payton, Magdelyn Rich,

Torri Trapp;

##### A-B Honor Roll

8th Grade: Abigail Bullock, Elise Coakley, Adrina Deem, Cheyenne Eldridge, Georgia Lynn Eldridge, Daniel Hobbs, Marlee Parks, Phillip Payan, Kailyn Ratliff, Dominic Salcido, Taylor Shaver, Ohlin Skeen, Christian Sweat, Destini Taylor, Kaydn Traylor, Maria Villegas, Brittany Wyche;

7th Grade: Lauren Bason, Kylie Carpenter, Kaleia Dixon, David Ellison, Brayden Hall,

Nicole Hardin, Tyler Jobe, Sarah Kist, Tell Lowrance, Jacob Morrow, Mackey Muller, Collin Parks, Hannah Perry, Mary Jane Swanson;

6th Grade: Alizabeth Autrey, Alyssa Chavez, Cheyenne Clark, Phillip Corona, Karina DeYoung, Mitchell Edington, Enrique Hernandez, Abby Lakeman, Erin Mains, Tessa Martinez, Christian Newell, Lizbeth Quiroz, Dominique Silva, Gavin Trost, Alejandro Trujillo, Ciara Wilson, Zackary Wilson.

Reported by Capitan Schools.

### COUNTY BRIEFS

#### Capitan PTA

Capitan PTA will be hosting Kenneth Brown Photography for holiday family pictures. Photos will be taken on Fri. Nov. 12, 6-8pm and Sat. Nov.13 10am-12pm in the lobby of the Cummins Gym.

The pictures are on a prepay basis. All are welcome, individuals, families, and groups. For more information please call Gayla at 336-8435 or Kari 354-0133.

#### Woman's Club

The Carrizozo Woman's Club has voted to change their monthly meeting time from 6 p.m. to 11:30 a.m.

The members hope that a lunch meeting will be more convenient for all. The women of the club extend a warm welcome to new members and hope that women who are interested in helping the community and making new friends will come to the meeting.

Meetings are always on the second Thursday of the month. This month the

meeting will be held on Thursday, Nov. 11 at 11:30 a.m.

The speaker will be Gary Henry of the Lions Club and a luncheon will be served following the speaker.

This month the hostesses are Deborah Geary and Bonnie Soley.

#### Corona Craft Show

The 3rd Annual Craft Show sponsored by the Senior citizens of Corona will be at 9 a.m., Nov. 20 at Corona Zia Senior Center in Corona.

Some of the offerings will be a Posole Dinner for \$5/plate, knitted, crocheted and tatted items, candles, jewelry, candy, and much more.

#### Turkey dinners

The Trinity United Methodist Church in Carrizozo is hosting their annual Thanksgiving dinner Nov. 18, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Call 648-2893 for take out.

Volunteers to help are welcome.

The Assembly of God Church dinner is 12:30 p.m., on Thanksgiving Day.

Meat will be furnished; guests should bring side dishes.

#### Artists of 'Zozo

Gallery 408's second annual "Artists of Carrizozo Exhibition" will be Nov. 20 through Dec. 20.

The opening reception will be Saturday, Nov. 20, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

For more information and/or to register, call Sherry Savas at Gallery 408 at 648-2598 or email Gal-lery408@tularosa.net.

#### Holiday Hoedown

Artists or crafters interested in selling their creations or goods at the Holiday Hoedown need to call Sharon Hefker at 648-2219 to reserve a table.

The Carrizozo Woman's Club Holiday Hoedown will be Saturday, Dec. 4, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Woman's Club Building in Carrizozo.

The table rental fee is \$25.

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CARRIZOZO AND HONDO SCHOOLS VOLLEYBALL TEAMS WILL BE IN STATE TOURNAMENT POOL PLAY IN ALBUQUERQUE ON THURSDAY. CARRIZOZO IS RANKED #2 AND HONDO #4 IN CLASS B. SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL TEAMS!

RUIDOSO DOWNS POLICE BRIEFS

Oct. 14
3:18 p.m. - After making a traffic stop, an officer found the driver was wanted on a valid warrant from the Ruidoso Police Department.

Nola Flores, 28, no hometown provided, was arrested.

7:34 p.m. - An officer responded to an undisclosed location after a 9-1-1 call that reported a domestic dispute.

A man was arrested and charged with aggravated battery against a household member and child abuse.

The name of the man arrested was not included on the police blotter.

7:52 p.m. - A man reported his vehicle had been broken into.

The responding officer discovered the man was wanted on a warrant from Roswell.

The unidentified man paid a bond and returned to the hotel he was staying at.

8:02 p.m. - An officer responded to a call at an elementary school to determine if child abuse had occurred.

The New Mexico Children, Youth and Families Department met the officer at the school. Two children were placed into protective custody.

Oct. 18
12:46 p.m. - A one vehi-

cle accident without injuries was reported at the Circle K.

The vehicle had become perched on one of the big rocks in the parking lot. An accident report was taken.

12:56 p.m. - A man went to the police station to report cell phone harassment.

An officer took a report and attempted to contact the accused person to deliver a verbal warning.

Oct. 19
1:03 p.m. - A 9-1-1 call of an assault at the Inspiration Heights apartments brought both police and an ambulance to the location.

The officer asked Ruidoso police to help in locating a man or possible a couple in a pickup truck. Ruidoso police found the couple at Lookout Estates in the village.

The Ruidoso Downs officer met the couple to discuss what had happened at Inspiration Heights.

Oct. 20
1:13 p.m. - A 9-1-1 caller reported a woman walking erratically along U.S. Highway 70 on the city's far east end.

An officer arrived and requested the city's animal control officer take in a dog that was with the woman.

He also asked the Lincoln County Sheriff's

Office be asked to talk with the woman about a domestic disturbance in the Biscuit Hill area.

The unidentified woman was taken into custody on an outstanding warrant.

Oct. 21
1:19 p.m. - During a session of magistrate court it was learned that one of the defendants had an outstanding warrant.

An officer took the unidentified woman into custody.

Oct. 26
No time provided - Police were dispatched to a residence in the 500 block of Turkey Canyon Lane to serve a warrant.

Javier Hernandez, 38, was taken into custody on an Adult Probation Office hold.

Oct. 28
11:50 a.m. - An officer went to a location in the 400 block of River Lane to serve a warrant.

Kenneth P. Berry, 52, was arrested.

11:52 a.m. - A woman reported to police that she had lost her wallet the day before at Walmart.

She said the wallet had been in her basket and it was unknown if it was lost or stolen.

3:31 p.m. - Michael J. Mendoza, 36, went to the police station to turn him-

self in reference to an outstanding felony warrant. An officer booked Mendoza

Oct. 29
1:03 p.m. - An officer responded to the Greentree Solid Waste Authority complex to write an accident report. A truck had run into a garage door at the facility.

1:38 p.m. - A report of embezzlement sent an officer to Lincoln County Collision Center. The police blotter stated there was no further information.

Oct. 31
5:23 p.m. - Police, the animal control officer and fire/medical response personnel responded to an undisclosed location for a child who had been bitten by a dog.

A firefighter advised police to step up their response because the owner of the dog was hitting the animal in the face to the point of bleeding.

The owner allegedly used extreme profanity toward fire and police at the scene.

The dog was taken to the Humane Society of Lincoln County animal shelter.

The child's mother transported him to the Lincoln County Medical Center. The dog's owner was told that he might face charges.

Reward offered for robbery information

JIM KALVELAGE
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Information about an armed robbery reported Halloween night in Ruidoso could bring an informant a reward.

Crime Stoppers is offering a cash reward for clues to the robbery at the Swiss Chalet, 1451 Mechem Dr..

The hold-up man, who was described as wearing a Halloween mask and dressed all in black, made off with about \$242. The mask was reportedly the face of an old man with a gray beard. A hotel employee said the robber possibly had a handgun. He fled the location in an older model Chevrolet truck. The clerk said the man demanded the money in the cash drawer and took all the

bills. He ran out of the lobby and got into the truck.

A police report noted there were newly fallen pine needles in the area where the man had fled, but no evidence of the pine needles being disturbed by someone running or a vehicle departing.

Told that he might be required to submit to a Voice Stress Analysis test, the employee then became evasive about answering any further questions, the report stated.

Crime Stoppers provides a reward in select cases when the information leads to an arrest and court bind-over. Informants can remain anonymous. The Crime Stoppers phone numbers are 257-4545 or 258-7300.

PNM transformer shot

A shooter apparently took out a PNM electric transformer on a utility pole near the Casa Blanca Restaurant, at 501 Mechem Dr., on Oct. 23.

The transformer was initially thought to have blown, cutting electricity to the restaurant. After a PNM crew removed the transformer, it was discovered there was bullet lead inside the equipment.

A restaurant employee told Ruidoso police that the night of the outage there was a bang, like the sound of a gunshot, and then another loud bang. The lights in the restaurant went out at that time.

PNM valued the transformer at \$2,500. The case was turned over to the police department's Criminal Investigation Division.

- Jim Kalvelage

RUIDOSO BRIEFS

Oct. 31
10:14 p.m. - A officer responded to a location in the 100 block of Brady Canyon Drive where a man said he had been moving things from a residence, left some items outside, and when he returned they were gone.

After driving around the neighborhood the next day he told police he found some of his property in a driveway on Brady Canyon Drive.

The resident at the address said a temporary roommate had taken the items after supposedly finding them alongside the road.

The incident has been turned over to the Criminal Investigation Division.

Nov. 1
12:58 a.m. - A Ruidoso woman was arrested after an officer initially pulled over a vehicle in the 2800 block of Sudderth Drive for failing to have headlight turned on.

The woman said she did not have her driver's license. A check using the name and date of birth supplied by the woman confirmed she was Lynda H. Summers, 60.

The check also indicated her driver's license had been revoked and included an arrest clause.

Summers was cited for no headlamps and charged with driving with a suspended or revoked license.

Nov. 2
1:20 p.m. - Police responded to Ruidoso High School on a report of a battery.

A 17-year-old student had allegedly bumped a substitute teacher. The student said he had "lightly" made contact with the teacher.

The teen was not cited for battery, but was deemed to have violated the "no touch" policy of the high school by being defiant to the teacher.

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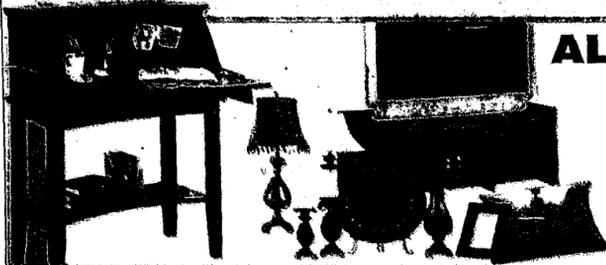


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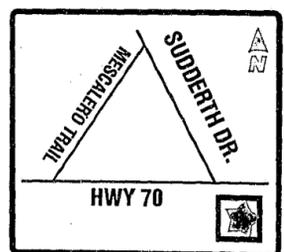
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by Mike Arglrion and Jeff Knurek

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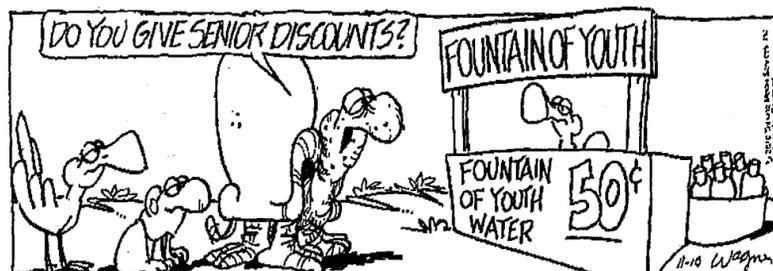
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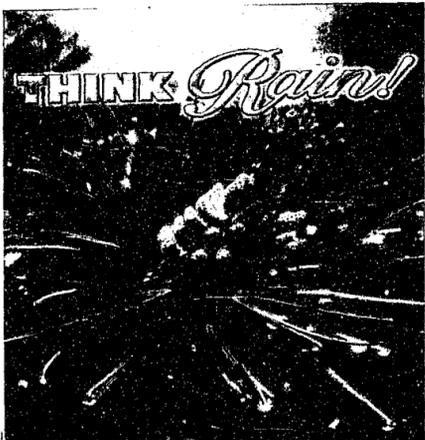
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Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico 88346 clearly marked construction of TIRE BALE FENCE. It shall be the responsibility of the bidder to see that their bid is delivered to the Auctioneer's office by the date and time set for the opening of the bids. If mailed or delivered after the date and time, the bid is void. The GreenTree Solid Waste Authority reserves the right to reject any or all bids submitted.

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## THIS WEEKEND ▶ PAGEANT

## Four hopefuls will vie to move on to Miss New Mexico 2011

Miss Ruidoso 2011 Scholarship Pageant is in the home stretch.

After a 14-year gap of these pageants here in Ruidoso, the Miss Ruidoso Scholarship Pageants were reborn in 2007.

Since that time we have three girls awarded the title have enrolled in colleges at UNM and

NMSU, with honors and being on the Dean's List. Their talent and initiative as community activists is astounding.

This year's contestants are: Wendy Gomez, a senior at RHS, who hopes to go to school in Hawaii; Cynthia Schleck, a senior at RHS and head cheerleader there; Josie Parsons,

RHS graduate and sophomore at NMSU; and Shelby Rist, a senior at UNM, also a graduate of RHS.

Rist has won 2 other titles in the Miss America system.

Their talents range from theater, dance, and singing.

The pageant is once

again at Mt. Annie's Dinner Theater, home of the Miss Ruidoso Pageants. The Pageant is Saturday, Nov. 6, 7 p.m. with the food service. The pageant begins at 8 p.m.

The staff comprises of Steve and Virginia Mc Bride, Ed Spurr, Phyllis Strathmann, Rhonda Newsome, and the director Barbara Westbrook.

There will be special performances of music and the new wrinkle of Junior Miss Mascots who have been chosen by the senior girls.

Call 257-7982 for reservations. The cost is \$19.95 for food and the show. Come see the next Miss Ruidoso 2011 crowned by our lovely Miss Ruidoso 2010, Kendra Martin. Who knows? This year we may see a Miss Ruidoso become Miss New Mexico 2011 and go on to Miss America on ABC-TV.

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— Barbara Westbrook

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Schleck



Rist



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## Cover Story



The memory of '50s teen heartthrob Ricky Nelson, who perished in a plane crash 25 years ago, is behind a tour by his twin sons, Gunnar and Matthew.

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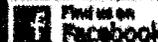
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**Miss Ruidoso Pageant**  
**Nov. 6:** (Ruidoso) 2011 winner will be crowned at 8 p.m., following a dinner at 7 p.m. Reservations required. Call Mountain Annie's Dinner Theatre at 575-257-7982:

**River Rendezvous Outdoor Fair**  
**Nov. 6:** (Ruidoso) Arts & Crafts at the Chaireuse Moose, across from Schoolhouse Park on Sudderth Drive.

**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

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**10th annual dinner and auction**  
**Nov. 14:** (Capitan) Presented at Lone Tree Camp.

**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**



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**Nov. 25:** (Alto) For more information, call 575-464-3600, or go online to [www.skiapache.com](http://www.skiapache.com).

**Winter Park Opening**  
**Nov. 25** (Alto) Winter recreation begins at the base of Ski Run Road.

**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.

**King of the Cage Fights**  
**Nov. 27:** (Mescalero)

**Christmas in the Park s**  
**Dec. 2:** (Ruidoso) The Festival of Lights kicks off with this annual event in Schoolhouse Park.

**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.

**Parade of Lights**  
**Dec. 4:** (Ruidoso) The famous annual parade, noted nationally, winds down Sudderth Drive through Midtown.

**George Thorogood**  
**Dec. 9:** (Mescalero) Rockin' slide guitarist from Delaware plays at the Inn of the Mountain Gods.

**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.

**Big Bad Voodoo Daddy**  
**Dec. 11:** (Mescalero) Performs at IMG.

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**Live music in the clubs this weekend****ON STAGE****FRIDAY**

**Casa Blanca** (501 Mechem Dr.; 257-2495): 2 Days Walk, 6 - 7:15 p.m.; Los Mustangs, 7:30 - 9 p.m.; ARB, 9 p.m.

**Casade 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 (IMC)**: Mike Sunjka, 5-10 p.m.

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**Zocca Coffee** (1129 Mechem Ruidoso; 258-1445): Mark Kashpar, acoustic guitar and vocals; 10 a.m. - noon.

*For live music entertainment on other nights, contact the clubs for information.*

**SATURDAY**

**Casa Blanca** (501 Mechem Dr.; 257-2495): Frank Zona and Urban Edge, 7 - 10:30 p.m.



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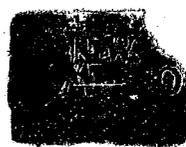
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# Gateway to an industry

## Job Fair at ENMU-Ruidoso brings film industry to area

ENMU-Ruidoso recently hosted an Education and Job Fair/ film industry day at the college to provide students and the community information about the film industry, education requirements, and types of jobs that make up the film industry.

There were different "scenes" set up around the college to provide information and hands on learning about film and the in's and outs".

The day ended with a Keynote speaker Jon Hendry. Jon Hendry has worked in the film business for 26 years, except for a 3 1 2 year detour while he was Director of Marketing for State Tourism Department. He currently represents the working professionals in the NM film industry as the Business Agent for IATSE Local 480.

A questionnaire was used to determine the interest and needs for ENMU-Ruidoso to offer

classes, certifications and/or degrees in the film industry.

Areas that are possibilities of training for college courses in film include: production, set services, camera, sound, art post production grip, electric SPFX, hair and makeup.

One of the questions asked to students was "did the symposium give you a better understanding of the film industry" 89.7 percent said "Yes."

The question was asked if the film industry was a viable industry in Lincoln County and 100 percent said "Yes."

One of the major resources ENMU-Ruidoso has to aid in performing arts and filmmaking is The Gateway System. The Gateway System at ENMU-Ruidoso creates a statewide collaboration between colleges and universities across the state. There are 30 gateway systems operational in NM. The gateway system connects high tech businesses and film industry in Lincoln county to the center and the NMCAC network.

Gateway system gives one the ability to visualize complex issues in an interactive venue.

The Gateways serve as portals to the local community to bring businesses

onto campus to access the center capabilities.

September was the kickoff month for ENMU-Ruidoso gateway coalition for economic and educational development in Lincoln County. The goal is for the university to provide a talented workforce that will be hired by local high-tech businesses that are developed with the support of the NMCAC.

ENMU-Ruidoso plans to offer online computer and network security certification programs starting in the spring 2011 semester. This is the only program if its kind in New Mexico.

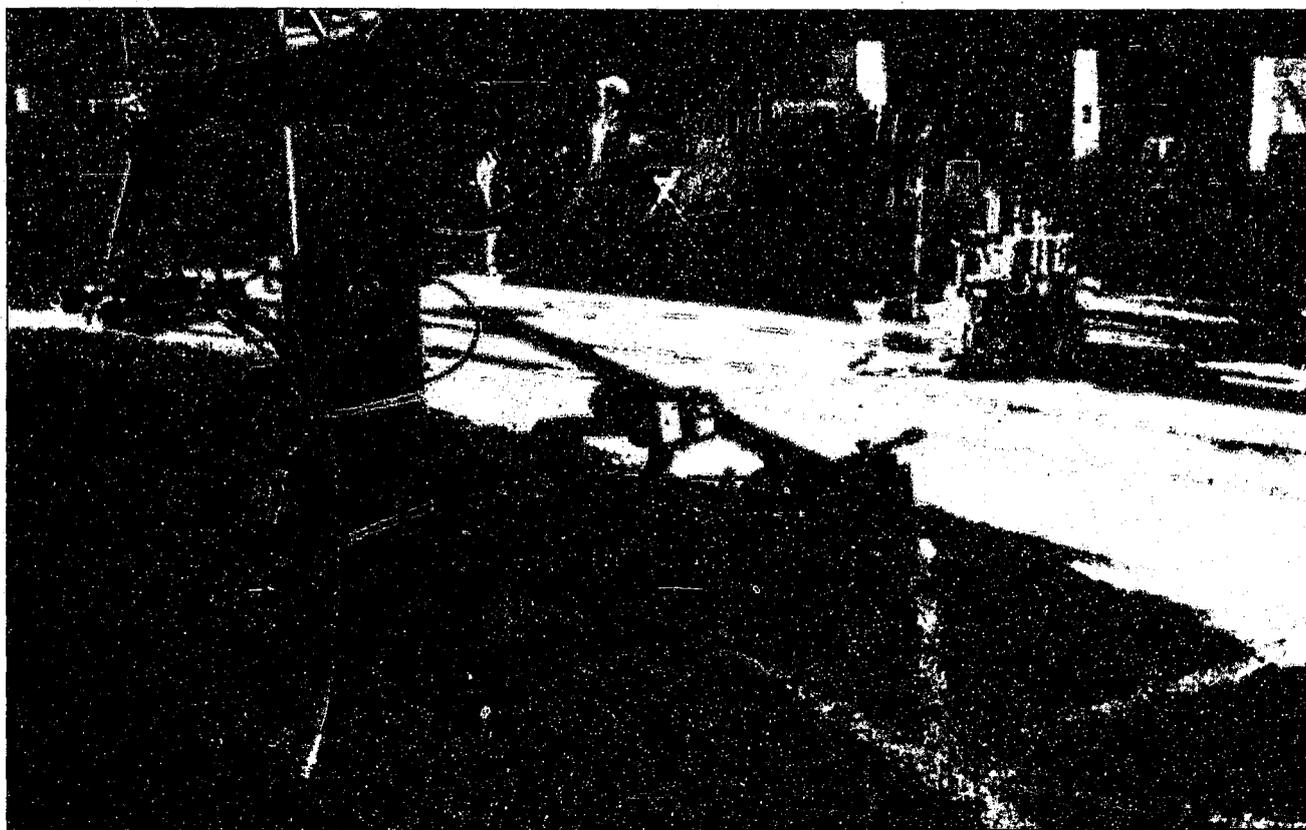
The goal for the university is to provide a talented workforce in the film industry. Tri-campus cooperation would be a collaboration with Eastern New Mexico University in Portales, Eastern New Mexico University in Roswell and Eastern New Mexico in Ruidoso.

We live in a beautiful place, have access to making film a real possibility in our village and surrounding area as well as the people in place to see it happen. For more information about filmmaking through ENMU-Ruidoso, contact Stephen Miller at [stephen.miller@enmu.edu](mailto:stephen.miller@enmu.edu) <<mailto:stephen.miller@enmu.edu>>

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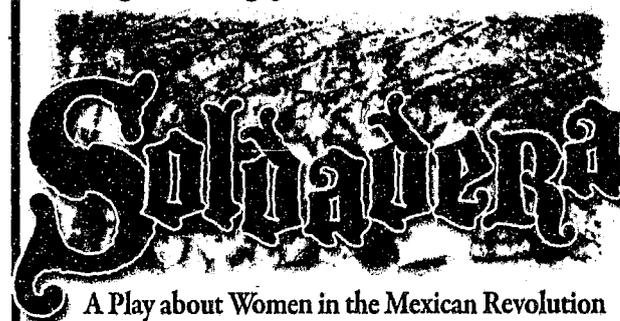


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Entries are being sought for an upcoming competitive art exhibit at Eastern New Mexico University-Roswell. "The Art of Non-Artists" will be an exhibition honoring the creative works of those people who primarily practice professions that fall outside of the definition of the visual arts, and who do not consider themselves mainly to be artists, but whose works are nevertheless worthy and interesting.

Any interested makers of art are invited to submit entries. The exhibit will be juried by a committee of art department faculty. Award winners will be selected by invited guest judge, Dallas Jeffers-Polle, instructor of Humanities, Theatre and University Studies at ENMU-Roswell.

The exhibit entry process is open to people of all professions and persuasions from all geographical areas, who are at any level of mastery of their media and art processes. Any of the usual art media will be considered for exhibition, including all drawing and painting media, all sculpting and craft media, digital and other electronic media, as

well as printmaking and experimental media.

Deadline for entry submissions is Nov. 22, 2010. Entries may be in the form of digital images, 35 mm slides, or original works of art. Modest entry fees of \$10 for up to three entry submissions will be charged, with a discounted entry fee available for students. Many of the exhibited works will be for sale.

All proceeds from entry fees and commission will go to an Art Scholarship fund at ENMU-Roswell. Entry forms and instructions may be downloaded from ENMU-Roswell's home page: [www.roswell.enmu.edu](http://www.roswell.enmu.edu) or can be emailed to those who request them by calling Jennie Bower, Art instructor at 575-624-7226. Further information can be obtained by e-mail at [Jennie.Bower@roswell.enmu.edu](mailto:Jennie.Bower@roswell.enmu.edu).

Exhibitors are selected from entries, exhibition of selected works will open on Monday, Dec. 6, with a reception and awards ceremony from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. in the Arts and Sciences Center at ENMU-Roswell. The exhibit will be open to the public Dec. 6-9 and Dec. 10.

New Mexico-based artists and artisans are invited to submit proposals for special commemorative pieces for the upcoming statehood Centennial.

A wide range of artistic media will be considered, including glassware, jewelry, basketry, pottery, and fiber arts, both wearable and decorative. The work should be inspired by the New Mexico Centennial, but will not include the Centennial logo, nor be souvenir or promotional in nature.

New Mexico Creates, a program of the Museum of New Mexico Foundation, is working in partnership with the NM Centennial Foundation to promote the "New Mexico Creates/Centennial Commemorative Art" line.

"We are pleased to be able to showcase New Mexico's artists and highlight their work both within and beyond state borders," said Jodi Delaney, Director of New Mexico Centennial.

"The Centennial is an important opportunity to share the state's many gifts, especially the rich diversity of artistic traditions that make New Mexico so

unique."

Works chosen will convey some of the state's centuries-old craftsmanship traditions as well as the ongoing international appeal the state holds for artists and artisans. Items will encompass a myriad of styles from traditional to contemporary and even cutting edge.

The "New Mexico Creates/Centennial Commemorative Art" items will be sold at MNMF Shops museum retail outlets in Santa Fe, and via the New Mexico Creates website, [www.newmexicocreates.org](http://www.newmexicocreates.org). Some artwork will be chosen for licensing and manufacture, with the approval and participation of the selected artists.

For more information and an application, visit [www.newmexicocreates.org](http://www.newmexicocreates.org), or call 877-567-7380.

New Mexico became the 47th state on Jan. 6, 1912, and communities statewide are preparing a wide range of projects, exhibits and events to commemorate its 100th birthday. For more information visit [www.nm-centennial.org](http://www.nm-centennial.org), call 505-984-2012, or e-mail [nmcentennial@gmail.com](mailto:nmcentennial@gmail.com).

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## Shuster publishes Ruidoso history in national magazine

*Western historian helped found the Lincoln County Regulators, a Cowboy Action Shooting club that holds events in the area*

Jack Shuster, local writer and historian, has had an article about the early history of Ruidoso published in *The Cowboy Chronicle*, a national publication of the Single Action Shooting Society. Shuster's article, "Noisy Water, How One Old Mill became a Mountain Metropolis," tells the story of Captain Paul Dowlin who, along with his brother Will, built the first building that would become the Village of Ruidoso.

Dowlin retired from the New Mexico Volunteers at Fort Stanton and decided to go into the lumber busi-

ness since Fort Stanton was rebuilding.

The first mill was washed away in a flood and the second mill, powered by a flume, had less power and was better at grinding grain than sawing lumber.

The village was first known as Dowlin's Mill but as folks began building cabins along the Rio Ruidoso, the Post Office changed the name and the village became known as Ruidoso., named for the noisy, burbling stream.

Jack Shuster has been a resident of Ruidoso for nearly three years and in that time founded the

Lincoln County Regulators, a Cowboy Action Shooting club for whom he does publicity.

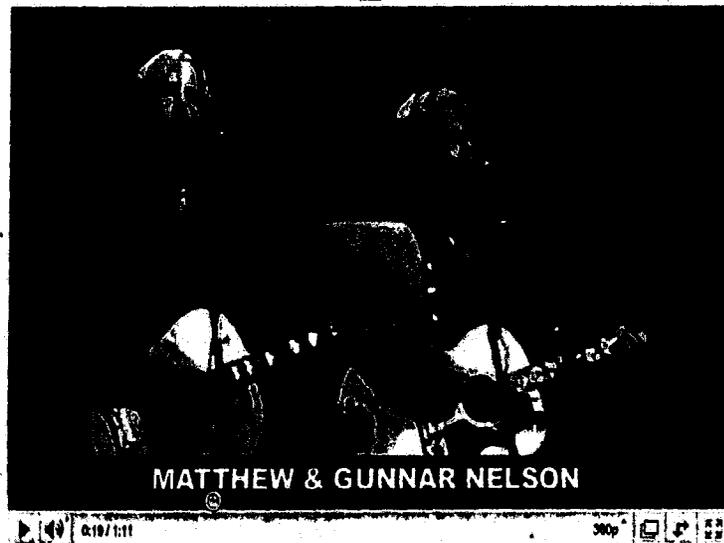
He also volunteers with a number of community organizations, including Fort Stanton and the Boy Scouts. Degreed in Social and Cultural History of the American People, Shuster belongs to the Lincoln County Historical Society, National Registry of Living Historians, Single Action Shooting Society, Lincoln County Regulators, Ruidoso Gun Club, National Rifle Association, Reenactment Guild of America, True West Preservation Society, Wild West Historical Association, and True West Historical Society, as well as other organizations.



*Shuster*

He is also applying for membership in the Western Writers of America, having written numerous book reviews and historical articles for *The Cowboy Chronicle*.

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## 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*.

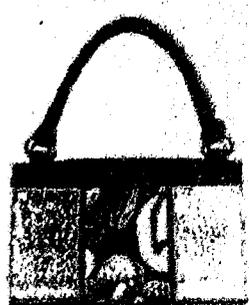
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## MUSIC ▶ COVER STORY

## Nelson: Remembering Rick

The year 2010 marks the 25th anniversary of Rick Nelson's passing in a tragic New Year's Eve plane crash.

In his honor, "Ricky Nelson Remembered" is a unique multi media entertainment event featuring the live music of Ricky Nelson's hit songs (including "Hello Mary Lou," "Travelin' Man" and "Garden Party") performed by Ricky's identical twin sons, Matthew & Gunnar, grandsons of '50s TV icons Ozzie & Harriet Nelson.

The show, which comes to the Spencer Theater Nov. 20, includes never-before-seen big screen video footage of the Nelson family with interviews from celebrities influenced by Ricky Nelson.

The show appeals to a wide audience and multiple generations and celebrates the life of America's original Teen Idol.

Matthew and Gunnar Nelson were bonafide hit-makers themselves with their rock band, Nelson, debuting with the multi-platinum *After the Rain* in the early 1990s.

They zoomed to No. 1 with "(Can't Live Without Your) Love and Affection," had three Top 10 singles, four No. 1 MTV videos, five Top 40 *Billboard* Hits and became massively popular overseas.

When "(Can't Live Without Your) Love & Affection" went to No. 1, it put the Nelson family in the *Guinness Book of*



*World Records* as the only family in entertainment history with three generations of #1 hitmakers.

Every magazine from *Rolling Stone* to *People* did cover stories, and the twins performed on national network television shows like "Late Night With David Letterman" and "Saturday Night Live." Critics tended to unfairly overlook Nelson, however, because of the brothers' pin-up good looks, but that didn't stop millions of fans from 'getting' what all the excitement was about.

With the rise of grunge rock in the mid-'90s, pop music grew dark and foreboding. Matthew and Gunnar chose not to compromise their positive, drug-free posture to suit the trend. Those who continued to follow the brothers' musical progress were rewarded with numerous gems on their seven subsequent albums on their own Stone Canyon Records label.

They have rare insights into what it takes to earn longevity in the entertainment world. They continue the inspiring story of a most remarkable show business family. Their grandparents, Ozzie and Harriet Nelson, achieved immortality with "The Adventures of Ozzie and Harriet," the longest-running sitcom in television history. Earlier, the couple had enjoyed big band success and had scored a No. 1 in 1934.

Ricky Nelson emerged from the series' popularity to establish himself as one of the most important rock artists of the '50s and '60s with over 100 million record sales and three No. 1s of his own.

The world maintains its fascination with the Nelsons. The A&E Channel's Nelson Family "Biography" episode is still the top-rated 'Biography' installment ever.

Matthew and Gunnar see all forms of media as

They've increased their television hosting work for VH1 and E! Gunnar is a standout reality TV star from VH1's "Celebrity Fit Club" successfully shedding 30 pounds to ensure his team's victory. Gunnar recently co-hosted LIFE-TIME Radio's nationally syndicated morning show for a year.

Gunnar recently collaborated with two musical legends when he recorded and sang with Yusuf (Cat Stevens) and Paul McCartney on Yusuf's *Roadsinger* album. Gunnar recorded several tracks for *Roadsinger* in Nashville including "Boots & Sand," "Welcome Home," "To Be What You Must," "This Glass World" and "Roadsinger."

While Nelson and McCartney recorded in different locations – Nashville and London – they are both featured on "Boots and Sand." Gunnar also performed side-by-side singing and playing

in his first U.S. TV appearance promoting the album on *The Chris Isaak Show* on the bio channel.

Matthew and Gunnar continue to tour and perform sold-out shows around the globe. Recently, Nelson headlined at the 3rd Annual Rocklahoma Festival, plus they've toured extensively with Peter Frampton and Styx.

Due to unending requests, Matthew and Gunnar worked some Rick Nelson classics into their set. They perform them with respect and enthusiasm.

"We figured it's up to us to help keep his music alive," Gunnar says. "Not only is it a true pleasure to play these great songs that people love, but it makes us feel profoundly closer to our best friend – our Pop." What people now get when they come to see Matthew and Gunnar performing live is a set of wall to wall hits that everyone knows. You'd be hard-pressed to hear anything that wasn't a top five or above in some part of the world.

"Our old fan base was primarily very young females," Matthew says. "We were the guys they had on the posters at home and in their lockers. Now, 10 years later, those girls are grown up. They have children. They have husbands. They have real lives – and we're still a part of it. They not only bring their husbands and children to our shows, they bring their parents and

grandparents! We have the broadest age demographic on the planet. 8 to 80 we love 'em all."

Much to their satisfaction, the brothers' career path displays parallel that of their legendary father. He found fame as a teen idol before helping found the country rock movement.

"Yeah, it is kind of weird when I sit down and think about it," Gunnar says. "We had tremendous success at a very young age like he did. And now we're coming to the musical renaissance that he had at our age. It's covering what makes you unique, your own innate voice... getting to see your talk for all to see and hear. Unlike our father though, we started out as songwriters first and foremost... something we learned from him when we were babies. I'm so thankful for that lesson. Seas change, but what never will is my unshakable belief that you can't stop the power of a hit song."

Matthew adds, "I feel more artistically, music spiritually and physically vital than I ever have in my life. Yeah, we feel completely blessed to come from where we come from... and to have accomplished so much young and on our own terms... but with what we've currently got up our sleeves for TV, for the stage, and for the airwaves, I promise you this: You ain't seen nothin' yet."

Matthew and Gunnar Nelson link to their fans via acoustic guitars with Yusuf

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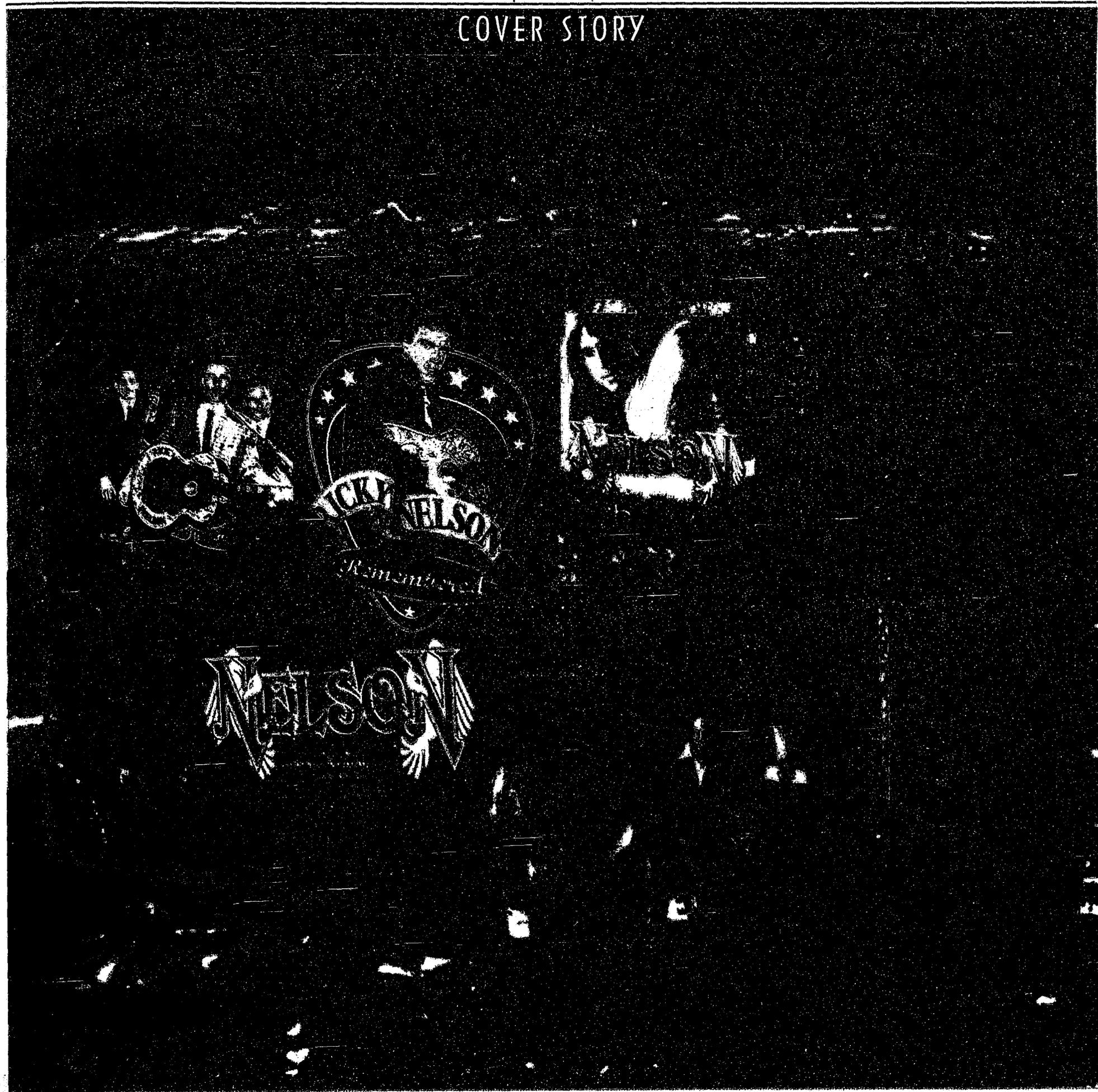
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# Vermouth, the fortified wine, vol. 1

BY NEAL JONES  
FOR ¡VÁMONOS!

There are two distinct fortified wines to talk about, before dinner and after dinner. The aperitif is before dinner. Sometimes called the digestif, the before-dinner wine usually has some peculiar qualities stem-

ming from medicinal mythology. Most of the aperitif wines have some herbal additive, with the belief that it will either stimulate the appetite and/or aid in the digestion of the meal to come. Actually, Dubonnet, a brand name and style of fortified wine-based aperitif was originally designed to

deliver the bitter quinine to the French Foreign Legion and people fighting malaria. The story goes that Mrs. Dubonnet loved the mixture so much, she had all her friends try it and the popularity spread from there.

After dinner, the fortified wines served are sherries and ports. I'll write

about those later in this column.

Historically, vermouth is the most popular aperitif wine worldwide. The vermouth that is commonly consumed today was created in the 18th century. The mixtures in vermouth were used long before the 1700's when ancient wine makers tried different ways to make wine that went to vinegar taste better. Unlike beer makers, who consumed the beers before they could go bad and discarded the dregs, wines were always more delicate in flavor. An ancient wine maker would add herbs, wood chips, roots, flowers... anything to keep the wine drinkable.

Today, according to Jeremy Parsons, few recipes for sweet vermouth use red wine. Most use a white wine and add caramel to get the darker color and sweetness. French vermouth is usually aged in oak casks to build its spicy aroma after fortification (increasing the alcohol content).

Vermouth is an aromatized wine to which plant extracts and other flavorings have been added. The principal ingredient is wormwood. The shrub *artemisia absinthium* is the wormwood plant, known in German as "wermut". Wormwood leaves are used to make absinthe. The less toxic flowers of wormwood are used to make vermouth.

There are two basic types of vermouth, sweet and dry, also called Italian and French respectively.

Part is nationalistic, and part is from who made the best type of vermouth. The dry vermouth is considered to have origins in Lyon, while Torino is considered the birthplace of sweet vermouth. Both areas make both styles of vermouth, and from my research it is debatable that either had the original fortified wine of spiced vermouth.

Vermouth production begins with a neutral, dry white wine base. That wine is aged for at least one year. A mistelle is added to the wine after the year. Mistelle is an unfermented must, or mixture of grape, plant and water. At this point the fortification is added in the form of a brandy. The natural flavors and sugars are preserved in this step and further fermentation does not take place. Then plant flavors are added, most common in vermouth are wormwood, quinine, chamomile, coriander, cinnamon, orange peel, cloves, and hyssop. This step is the most guarded step, the "secret ingredients" of vermouth makers.

All the flavors are now allowed to infuse with the wine for a time, usually not longer than a week. The wine mixture is then pasteurized, refrigerated and filtered to remove sediment and impurities. One more aging period, sometimes in casks for an extra flavor, and after the third aging, the wine is ready for sale. The final wine will contain 19-20 percent alcohol content.

If your holiday plans consider serving an aperitif, here are some good guidelines. It is usually served in a small white wine goblet or sherry glass. Vermouth is usually served at room temperature, although some other aperitif drinks can be chilled or served over cracked ice. If you want to match with a canapé, try a pate, a selection of olives, or warm Brie cheese with crackers.

The distinction of a digestif drink before dinner and an aperitif is usually the bitters. Digestifs usually are higher in alcohol content and are more herbal than the vermouth wines. Anyone who has tried Campari will know that strong herbal and bitter taste in a wine-based drink.

Sweet or dry, good vermouth is excellent to try by itself. A round with your guests will set a higher class for the dinner every time.



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Last month I learned of the skills of the Carrizozo High School Culinary Arts program when I attended a computer workshop at the school. The students provided hospitality services and lunch for technology workshop participants from throughout the state.

The food table was a wonderful sight to see early that morning: nut breads, cookies, fruits. For lunch we were served sub sandwiches with choice of meats and a variety of vegetables.

The sandwiches on homemade whole wheat rolls and a side of potato salad made for a stick-to-your-ribs noon meal.

Rosemary Shafer, Culinary Arts instructor, and her fifteen students prepared ahead for this campus technology workshop. The class began this school year by studying from a textbook, "Becoming a Restaurant and Foodservice Professional."

The restaurant and foodservice industry is the best place to build a career, whether it's a quick-service restaurant, a

family operation, or a company providing on-site foodservice at schools or hospitals.

Working with people, business math, and controlling food costs are part of the learning in the Culinary Arts program at Carrizozo Schools.

The students have been making an assortment of baked goods, including strawberry bread, cinnamon butter bundt cake, wheat deli rolls, and cookies.

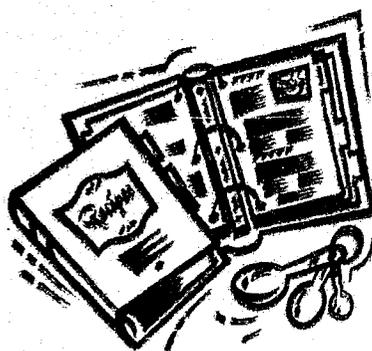
Their best seller is banana nut bread, a recipe that the class shared with me and now I share with column readers.

Four large very ripe bananas on my kitchen counter begged to be made into bread. I found all the rest of the ingredients in the cup board. The butter was salted, but Mrs. Shafer said unsalted would work as well. I made sure that the metal pan was well-greased. Mrs. Shafer suggested that I cut a rectangle-shape of parchment paper to fit the bottom, which was also greased. The bread slipped right out of the pan when it was done.



### Banana Nut Bread

- ½ cup butter
- 1 cup sugar
- 2 eggs
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 2 cups flour
- ½ teaspoon soda
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- ½ cup chopped pecans
- 2 cups mashed bananas



Cream sugar and butter. Add eggs, beating thoroughly after each. Add salt and vanilla. In a separate bowl, combine flour, soda, and baking powder. Add flour mixture and mashed bananas, alternately, to egg mixture. Do not over beat. Fold in chopped nuts. Pour into well-greased loaf pan. Bake for one hour and 10 minutes in an oven preheated to 325 degrees.

# QUICKLINE 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; 10 a.m.-8 p.m. • Hamburgers

**Front Porch Eatery Café** • 94 James Canyon, Cloudcroft • 682-7492 • Open Mon-Thu, 8 a.m.-9 p.m.; Fri-Sun, 8 a.m.-9 p.m.

**High Country Lounge & Grill** • 90 Pleasant Valley Dr., Timberon • 987-2580.

**High Rolls General Store Deli** • 845 Hwy. 82 • 682-2855.

**Jamocho Bean Coffee House Café** • 505 Burro St., Cloudcroft • 682-2332 • Mon-Fri, 7 a.m.-6 p.m., Sat 8 a.m.-6 p.m., Sun 8 a.m.-5 p.m. • Coffees, salads & sandwiches.

**Java The Hut** • 506 Francis St • Tularosa • 585-2003.

**Josey's Sweets** • 603 St. Francis Dr • Tularosa • 585-3120 • Mon-Sat, 12:30-9 p.m.; Sun, 2-8 p.m.

**Mayhill Café** • Mayhill • 687-3066

**Mayhill Mercantile** • Mayhill • 687-3425.

**Mountain Top Mercantile Deli** • 105 James Canyon, Cloudcroft • 682-2777 • Open 7 days, 7 a.m.-8 p.m. • Carry-out only.

**Mountain View Café & The Bistro (GCRMC)**, 2669 Scenic Dr., Alamogordo • 443-7456 (Mountainview) / 443-7457 (Bistro).

**Nature's Pantry** • 2909 White Sands Blvd., Alamogordo • 437-3037 • Deli/bar open Mon-Fri, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. • Organic.

**Nut House** • 32 Ivy Ln • La Luz • 437-6889.

**Olive Branch Coffee & Deli** • 123 N. White Sands • Alamogordo • 443-8151 • Open Mon-Sat, 6 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sun, 7 a.m.-4 p.m. •

**Plateau Espresso** • 2724 N. Scenic, Alamogordo • 434-4466 • Open Sun-Thu, 6 a.m.-10 p.m.; Fri-Sat, 6 a.m.-11 p.m. •

**Sweet Shop** • 300 Burro Street • Cloudcroft • 682-2127 • Open Mon-Thu, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fri-Sat, 10 a.m.-8 a.m. • Smoothies, ice cream, fudge & truffles.

**Weed Café** • Weed • 687-3611.

**Western Bar & Café** • 304 Burro St. • 682-2445 • Cloudcroft • Open 7 days 6 a.m.-9 p.m. (café), 7 days 9 a.m.-12 a.m.

### Casual Dining



**Al-O-Mar** • 7400 U.S. 54/70, Tularosa • 585-2129

**Applebee's Bar & Grill** • 1355 White Sands Blvd. • casual dining, friendly staff, full bar, carside to go • Open Sun-Thu 11 a.m.-11 p.m.; Fri-Sat until midnight. • 434-2616.

**Aspen Restaurant** • 1315 James Canyon, Cloudcroft • 682-1031 • Open Mon-Sat, 6 a.m.-9 p.m.; Sun 7 a.m.-8 p.m.

**Big Daddy's Diner** • 1705 James Canyon, Cloudcroft • 682-1224 • Open Tue-Thu, 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; Fri-Sat, 10 a.m.-9 p.m.; Sun 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

**Chili's Grill & Bar** • 202 Panorama, Alamogordo • 437-5903.

**Denny's** • 930 S. White Sands Blvd., Alamogordo • 437-6106.

**Gallo's Red Rooster Café** • 306 Burro St., Cloudcroft • 682-2448 • Sun-Thu, 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sat-Sun, 8 a.m.-7 p.m.

**La Rosa Steakhouse** • 21 St. Francis Dr., Tularosa (inside Travel Center) • 585-3339 • Open daily: 7 a.m.-9 p.m. •

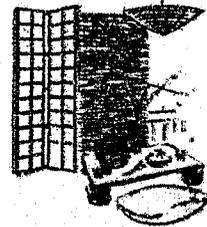
**Lazy D Restaurant** • 1202 St. Francis Dr., Tularosa • 585-2532.

**Mom's Home Cooking** • 604 First St., Alamogordo • 439-0288.

**Mustard's Last Stand** • 1920 James Canyon, Cloudcroft • 682-2333 • Fri-Sat, 5 p.m.-9 p.m.

**Palm Side** • 905 S. White Sands Blvd., Alamogordo • 437-8644.

### Chinese / Asian



**Bamboo Garden Restaurant** • 2617F N. White Sands • 437-5552

**Chinese Express** • 3199 N. White Sands Blvd., Alamogordo • 434-8880.

**Golden Palace** • 700 E. 1st St., Alamogordo • 434-2136.

**Jimmy's Quality Food** • 1115 S. White Sands Blvd., Alamogordo • 437-7423.

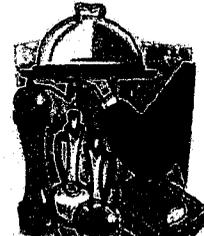
**Rocket National Buffet** • 607 White Sands Blvd., Alamogordo • Authentic Chinese and American cuisine. • 437-5905.

**Taiwan Kitchen** • 110 N. White Sands Blvd., Alamogordo • 434-4337.

**The Spicy Thai** • 915 Texas, Alamogordo • 434-0650.

**The Wok Inn** • 1010 S. White Sands Blvd., Alamogordo • 434-4388 • Buffet, carry-out/ dine in • 11 a.m.-10 p.m. daily.

### Fine Dining



**Loretta's** • 600 S. White Sands Blvd., Alamogordo • Mon - Fri, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.; Mon - Sat, 5 - 9 p.m. • 575-437-1924

**Memories Restaurant** • 1223 N. New York Ave., Alamogordo • Mon-Sat, 11 a.m.-9 p.m. • 437-0077.

**Pepper's Grill** • 3200 N. White Sands Blvd., Alamogordo • 437-9717.

**Rebecca's at The Lodge** • Cloudcroft • Breakfast, 7-10:30 a.m.; lunch 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m., dinner 5:30-10 p.m. • 800-395-6343, 575-682-2566

**Stella Vita Restaurant** • 902 New York Ave., Alamogordo • Mon-Fri, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Fri-Sat, 5 p.m.-8 p.m. • 575-434-4444.

### Mexican



**Alfredo's** • 801 Delaware, Alamogordo • 437-1745.

**Casa de Sueños New Mexican Restaurant** • 35 St. Francis Dr., Tularosa • 585-3494 • Fax 585-3496.

**Eddie's Burrito Express** • 750 E. First St., Alamogordo • 437-0266.

**El Camino Restaurant** • 1022 N. White Sands Blvd., Alamogordo • 437-8809.

**Juan's Cactus Café** • 3199 N. White Sands Blvd., Alamogordo • 434-2368.

**La Hacienda** • 800 S. White Sands Blvd., Alamogordo.

**Margo's Mexican Food** • 504 E. First Street, Alamogordo • 434-0689.

**Maria's Mexican Food** • 604 E. Tenth St., Alamogordo • 434-4549.

**El Parador** • 2300 N. White Sands Blvd., Alamogordo • 443-6102.

**Si Señor Restaurant** • 1480 N. White Sands Blvd., Alamogordo • 437-7879.

**Tia Lupe's Authentic Mexican Restaurant** • 1200 N. White Sands Blvd., Alamogordo • 437-0820 • Daily; 10 am-8 pm.

### Pizza/Italian



**Gigi's Pizza** • 600 S. White Sands Blvd., Alamogordo • 434-5811.

**Pizza Hut** • 120 S. White Sands Blvd., Alamogordo • 437-9785.

**Pizza Mill & Sub Factory** • 1315 E. Tenth St., Alamogordo • 434-1313.

**Pizza Patio** • 2203 1st St., Alamogordo • 434-9633.

## Ruidoso/Lincoln

### Bar-B-Que



**Apache Tee** • 287 Carrizo Canyon Rd. at IMG Pro Shop • 464-7695

**Can't Stop Smokin'** • 418 Mechem • Bar-B-Que to go. Beef, poultry & pork. • Sun, Mon, Wed, Thu, 10 a.m. - 8 p.m., Fri & Sat 10 a.m.-9 p.m. • 630-0000

**Circle J Barbecue** • 1825 Sudderth • Sun-Thu, 11 a.m.-8:00 p.m.; Fri-Sat, 11 a.m.-9:00 p.m. • 257-4105

**Tom's Barbeque** • 435 Smokey Bear Blvd., Capitan • Spare ribs, brisket, pork, sausage, green chile burgers. • Dine in/carry out • Tues - Sat 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. • 937-1515

### Cafés



**Alto Café** • Hwy. 48 & Gavilan Canyon Rd. • Home-style meals. • Mon - Sat; 7 a.m. - 3 p.m. • 336-1980

**Blue Goose Cafe** • 201 Eagle Dr. • Soups, salads, sandwiches • Mon - Sat, 10:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. • 257-8652

# CUISINE > DINING GUIDE

**Cafe Rendezvous** • 522 Sudderth Dr. • French casual • Mon - Sat, 11 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., 5 - 9 p.m. • 575-937-9419

**Calamity Jane's** • 500 W Smokey Bear Blvd., Capitan • Mon - Thu 7 a.m. - 3 p.m., Fri 7 a.m. - p.m., Sat 8 a.m. - 6 p.m., Sun 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. • 354-8309

**Cornerstone Bakery Café** • 359 Sudderth • 8 a.m. - 11 a.m. & 11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. daily • 257-1842

**Dreamcatcher Café** • 2629 Sudderth • Tue - Thu 11 a.m.-9 p.m., Fri - Sun 11 a.m.-11 p.m. • Live music Fri & Sat • 802-2222

**River's Edge** • 2404 Sudderth Mon-Sat, 10:30-5; Sun, 11:00-5; Custom-made sandwich wraps, freshly made desserts. • 630-5394

**Roy's Ice Cream Parlour** • 1200 Avenue E, Carrizozo • Ice cream sodas, milkshakes, malts, banana splits • Tue-Fri, 9 a.m.-6 p.m (closed 12:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m.) • 648-2921

**Sacred Grounds Coffee and Tea House** • 2825 Sudderth • Sandwiches, quiches, organic coffee, espresso bar. • Mon-Sat, 6:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Sun, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. • 257-2273

**The Village Buttery** • 2107 Sudderth • Soups, sandwiches, salads; pies and cookies; patio. • Mon-Sat, 10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. • 257-9251

**The Wild Herb Market** • 1715 Sudderth • Deli, organic and natural foods • Mon-Fri, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sat, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. • 257-0138

**Zocca Coffee & Tea** • 1129 Mechem Dr. • Sun, 7 a.m.-6 p.m.; Mon-Thu, 6 a.m.-6 p.m.; Fri-Sat, 6 a.m.-8 p.m.; 258-1445.

## Casual Dining



**All American Diner** • 390 Sudderth Dr. • Mexican and American specialties • Daily, 6 a.m.-9 p.m. • 257-8625.

**Big Game Bar & Grill** • 287 Carrizo Canyon Rd., Inn of the Mountain Gods, Mescalero • 464-7880.

**Billy's Sports Bar & Grill** • at Ruidoso Downs Race Track & Casino • 378-4431.

**Burger Trolley** • 647 Sudderth Dr. • Mon-Sat, 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.; Sun, 11 a.m. - 6 p.m. • 257-3868.

**Cattle Baron** • 657 Sudderth • Steak, seafood, lounge • Mon-Thu, 11 a.m.-10 p.m.; Fri-Sat, 11 a.m.-10:30 p.m.; Sun, 11 a.m.-9:30 p.m. • 257-9355

**Cree Meadows Restaurant & Bar** 301 Country Club • Breakfast all day. Friday night catfish buffet • Daily; 7 a.m. - 3 p.m. • 257-2733

**Denny's** • 2219 W. Hwy. 70, Ruidoso Downs • Open 24/7 • 378-1389

**Elsie's Charbroiled Burgers** • Hwy. 54 at Hwy. 380 • Carrizozo • Tue-Sat 11a.m.-8 p.m.; Sun. 11a.m.-3 p.m. • Patio seating. • 648-4200

**Farley's Food Fun & Pub** • 1200 Mechem • Burgers, pizza, pub fare, lounge, pool tables, patio. • 7 days, 11a.m.-11p.m. • 258-5676

**Four Winds Restaurant** • 111 Central Ave., Carrizozo • American variety, Mexican, freshly baked goods. • Daily, 6 a.m.-9 p.m. • 648-2964

**Gathering of Nations Buffet** • 287 Carrizo Canyon Rd. at IIMG • 464-7872

**Hall of Flame** • 2500 Sudderth • Burgers, salads • Sun & Mon 11am - 2pm; Tues-Thu 11am-8pm; Fri & Sat 11am-3pm • 257-9987

**Horsemen's Grill** • 321 Smokey Bear Blvd., Capitan • Tues - Sat 5 p.m. - 9 pm; Sun.brunch 10 am - 3 p.m. • 354-1447.

**K-BOB's** • 157 W. Hwy. 70 • Mon-Thu 11a.m.-9 p.m.; Fri-Sat 11 a.m.-10 p.m.; Sun 11 a.m.-9 p.m. • 378-0025.

**Landlocked** • 441 Mechem 257-9559 • Mon-Sat, 11a-9p

**Lincoln County Grill** • 2717 Sudderth • Daily; 7 a.m.-9 p.m. • 257-7669

**Log Cabin** • 1074 Mechem • Wed-Mon; 7 a.m.-1:45 p.m. • 258-5029.

**Lucy & Ethel's** • 1009

**Mechem** • Gourmet deli & daily soup • 8 a.m.-5 p.m. • 630-1221.

**Outpost Bar & Grill** • 415 Central, Carrizozo • Mon, Thu, Fri, Sat 11 a.m. - 8 p.m.; Sun 12n - 8 p.m. • 648-9994.

**Schlitzsky's Deli** • 2812 Sudderth • Sun - Thu 10:30 a.m. - 9 p.m.; Fri, Sat 10:30 a.m. - 10 p.m. • 257-7811

**7 Mares Seafood** • 340 Sudderth Dr. • 257-8534

**Shrimpy's Shrimp & Wing Shack** • 2501 Sudderth • Shrimp, fish & chips. • Thu-Mon, 11 a.m. - 6 p.m. • Dine in or carry out • 257-8881.

**Smokey B's Grill** • 2584 Hwy. 70, Mescalero • Sun-Thu, 8 a.m. - 9 p.m., Fri-Sat, 8 a.m.-10 p.m. • 464-7928.

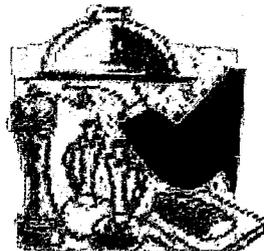
**Smokey Bear Restaurant** • 310 Smokey Bear Blvd., Capitan • Daily; 6a.m.-8p.m. • 354-2557

**The Dolan House** • 826 Calle la Placita, Lincoln • Fri - Tues; 9:30 a.m. - 3:30; Fri. 5 - 8 p.m. • Reservations Required 575-653-4670

**The Quarters** • 2535 Sudderth • Steaks, burgers, barbecue. • Mon. - Sat 11 a.m. - 2 a.m.; Sun noon - 12a.m. • 257-9535.

**Windy City** • 115 Smokey Bear Blvd., Capitan • Specialty sandwiches, burgers, BBQ, bratwurst, homemade fries, homebaked cheesecake. • Tue - Fri 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.; Sat 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. • 354-1395

## Fine Dining



**Ellis Store Country Inn** • Hwy. 380 MM 98, Lincoln • Gourmet dinners • Mon-Sat • By reservation only. • 800-653-6460

**Laughing Sheep Farm** • 1 mi west of Lincoln at MM96 • Locally grown produce & meats. • Lunch, Wed - Sun, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.; Dinner, Fri & Sat 5 - 8 p.m. • 653-4041

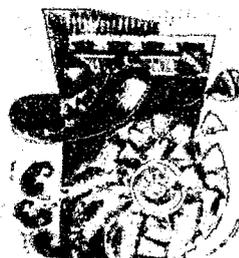
**Texas Club Bar & Grill** • 212 Metz Dr. • Steak & seafood • 258-3325.

**Tinnie Silver Dollar** • 28 mi east of Ruidoso on Hwy. 70 in Tinnie • Steakhouse and saloon; Sat 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.; Daily dinner 5 p.m. - 9 p.m.; Sun champagne brunch 10 a.m.-3 p.m. • 653-4425.

**Wendell's** • 287 Carrizo Canyon Rd. at IMG • Steaks, seafood, desserts • Daily, 5 p.m. - 11 p.m. • 464-7842

**Willmon's Prime Grille** • 2523 Sudderth Dr. • Prime steaks; seafood, wines • Reservations accepted; Mon-Sat, 5:30-9 p.m. • 257-2954

## Mexican



**Casa Blanca** • 501 Mechem • Sun-Thu 11 a.m.-9 p.m.; Fri & Sat 11 a.m.-10 p.m. • New Mexican cuisine; lounge. • 257-2495

**Chef Lupe's** • 1101 Sudderth • Capitan • 6 a.m.-10 p.m.; Fri-Sat, 6 a.m.-12 a.m • 257-4687

**Comal** • 2117 Sudderth • Daily, 11a - 8 p • 258-1397

**Chileo's** • 135 W. Hwy. 70 • Sun-Thu, 7 a.m.-8 p.m.; Fri & Sat, 7a.m-9 p.m. • 378-4033

**Disco Taco** • 141 W. Hwy. 70, Ruidoso Downs • Mexican food. • Daily, 8 a.m.-8 p.m. 378-4224

**El Camino Nuevo** • 1025 Mechem • 258-4312

**Elena's Place** • 2800 Sudderth Dr. • Tues-Sat 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. & 5 - 9 p.m., Sun 11a.m. - 2p.m. • 630-8022

**El Paisano** • 442 Smokey Bear Blvd., Capitan • Tue - Sat, 11 a.m.- 9 p.m. • 354-2206

**El Paraiso Mexican Restaurant** • 721 Mechem • Mon-Sat, 8 a.m.-8 p.m. • 257-0279

**Jorge's Café** • 2064 W. Hwy. 70, Ruidoso Downs • Daily, 7 a.m. - 10 p.m. • 378-9804.

**La Sierra** • 100 Lake Shore • Authentic Mexican and seafood specialties • Daily, 11 a.m. - 9 p.m. • 336-4673.

**Lucy's Mexicali Restaurant** • 2408 Sudderth • Mexican & American cuisine • Thurs - Sun.music; Sat. Ladies Nite • Sun-Sat, 11 a.m.- 9 p.m.; 257-8754.

**Peña's Place** • 2963 Sudderth • Thu-Mon, 7:30 a.m. - 2 p.m., Sun 7:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. • 257-4135

**Old Road Restaurant** • 692 Old Road, Mescalero • Tue-Sun, 9 a.m.- 9 p.m. • 464-4674

**Olé Tacos** • 319 Sudderth • Sun - Th 11 a.m. - 11:30 p.m., Fri & Sat 11 a.m.-1:30 a.m. • 257-5040

**Willie's Place** • 6540 Hwy. 380, Carrizozo • Daily, 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. • 575-648-4200

## Pizza / Italian



**Café Rio** • 2547 Sudderth Dr. • Mon - Sat, 11:20 a.m. - 7:50 p.m.; Sun 12n - 7:50 p.m. • 257-7746

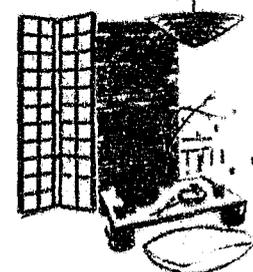
**Domino's Pizza** • 1717 Sudderth • Sun - Thu 11 a.m. - 11 p.m.; Fri & Sat 11 - 12 midnight • 257-8888

**Michelena's** • 2703 Sudderth • Tue-Sun 11 a.m.-9 p.m. • 257-5753

**Pizza Hut** • 725 Sudderth Dr. • 1201 Mechem Dr., Ruidoso • 258-3033

**Santino's Italian Restaurant** • 2823 Sudderth • Lounge 4:30-9 p.m., restaurant 5-9 p.m. • 257-7540.

## Chinese/Asian



**The Great Wall of China** • 2913 Sudderth Dr. • Sushi Bar • Tue-Sun 11:30 a.m. - 9 p.m. • 257-2522.

**Yee's** • 633 Sudderth • eat in or take out • Daily, 11 a.m. - 9 p.m. • 257-5888.

## Dinner Theatre



**Flying J Ranch** • Chuckwagon Supper and Western Show • Hwy 48, Alto • Gates open 5:30 p.m.; dinner 7 p.m. \$24 13+; \$14 ages 4-12, incl. tax & gratuity. 888-458-3595, 575-336-4330

**Mountain Annie's** • 2710 Sudderth, Midtown • Live show & music. No cover • Dinner & Bar • Fri & Sat. 7 p.m., open 2 p.m. • 257-7982.

**Bon Appetit!**

# A cattle drive unlike any other, part 2

The marshal of Abilene was James Butler "Wild Bill" Hickok. Despite many erroneous portrayals, Wild Bill was always on the side of law and order, eventually taming some of the wildest towns on the frontier — like Abilene, and Hays City. He was a thoroughly dangerous man, too, and internationally famous to boot. Hickok may not have killed as many men as Hardin, but it made him no less dangerous.

Wild Bill had heard of the fight on the Little Arkansas, and was waiting when Hardin and his men got to town. In a decidedly interesting development, Hickok allowed Hardin, and Hardin alone, to keep his guns (it was illegal to carry firearms inside the city limits). According to John Wesley, Wild Bill did this after Hardin had pulled the "Road Agent's Spin" on him. This maneuver is accomplished by extending your pistol or pistols to your adversary butts first, then when your opponent goes to reach for them, spin them around bringing them into firing position at full cock.

Now, many Hickok scholars doubt the veracity of this, for the simple reason that Wild Bill was too old a hand to fall for such a trick. However, I myself must agree with Hardin — biographer Leon Metz, who thinks that Hardin definitely managed to pull the off. I also agree with Leon when he says that Hardin was not trying to



kill Hickok — but rather, to impress him. Don't forget that Hickok was a living legend, and John Wesley, regardless of how many dead men were littered down his back trail, was still a teenager and looked up to the legendary-in-his-own-time Hickok.

What Hardin wanted was not so much to get the drop on Hickok, but rather to impress him so much that Hickok would exclaim "Wow! That was great!" or words to that effect. In short, Hardin expected to be patted on the head by his hero.

Which, according to Hardin and most of the available evidence, is exactly what happened. The end result was Hardin and Hickok carousing through Abilene together, with John Wesley basking in reflected glory. Time would show, however, that Wild Bill made what would turn out to be a grievous error in judgment when he let Hardin keep his guns.

## Of friends and revenge

Billy Cohron was a friend of Hardin's, another Texas cowboy who had pushed a herd to Kansas

and was now enjoying night life unlike any he had known in the Lone Star State. However, Cohron's good times came to a shuddering halt when he was shot dead, for no particular reason that anyone knew of other than alcohol, by a Mexican desperado named Juan Bideno.

When John Wesley received the bad news about his friend, he determined to get himself appointed as a deputy and then go and avenge Cohron, not necessarily in that order. Wild Bill had no particular problem with this. After all, Hardin had already kept his guns anyway, and it would certainly look better, if nothing else, if he was wearing a badge.

In the company of some fellow drovers, the new "lawman," John Wesley Hardin, tracked Bideno to a town identified by Hardin as "Bluff Creek," some miles down the trail, and close to the Indian Nations (Oklahoma) which was, at the time, a known haven for outlaws. Bideno was having lunch in a local restaurant. Leaving his companions to watch the side and back doors, Hardin, being Hardin, walked in the front doors and planted himself in front of Bideno's table.

Bideno looked up from his meal and inquired as to the stranger's business. When Hardin informed him that he was under arrest, Bideno inadvisedly went for his guns. John Wesley's bullet slammed into Bideno's head, killing

him on the spot.

## Back to Abilene

Hardin may, or may not, have killed another man in a brawl that took place right in front of Hickok, but there is scant evidence to support this. However, the infamous "snoring" incident really does have something to it.

Charles Couger, a friend and fellow cattleman, had the room next to Wes and cousin Gip Clements'. One night, when Wes and Gip returned to the room they shared, Couger's snoring next door was, apparently, rattling the windows with its force.

At first, the two drunken cowboys pounded on the walls and shouted. When that had no effect on the heavily-sedated-with-tonsil-paint Couger, Wes and Gip got *really* stupid. Pulling one of his pistols, Hardin, carefully (well, as careful as *any* drunk gets) fired a shot through the wall, well over where he assumed Couger was lying in his bed. Even *this* had no effect on the apparently nearly-comatose Couger. Hardin fired again.

This time, the snoring stopped abruptly. VERY abruptly, and there was no other sound from Couger's room. The two now-rapidly-sobering young men looked at each other, their eyes widening as they realized what they had just drunkenly done (Couger had gone to sleep sitting upright in a chair. Hardin's second bullet had taken off

the top of his head).

Instinctively, Hardin raced to the window, just in time to see Wild Bill and his deputies hurrying to the hotel. Hardin later claimed that he thought Hickok would kill him on the spot, so he jumped out of the window, sans pants, and eventually spent the night rather ignominiously hiding in a haystack before making his way back to Texas.

During Hardin's stay in Abilene, he claimed that noted Texas gunman Ben Thompson had tried to talk him into killing Hickok. Hardin refused, telling Thompson to do his own killing. The feud between Hickok and Thompson (along with Thompson's partner, Phil Coe), would later have its own terminal ending, which is, of course, another story.

However one looks at it, it had been quite the trip. There could be violence on these trail drives, but apparently, to include the deadly Hardin in the mix was a mistake that was paid for by nine men, almost all of whom, right or wrong, died at his hands.

Hardin would live on, spending some time in Huntsville's Rusk Penitentiary for one of his numerous indiscretions. He eventually became an attorney and was shot from behind by an El Paso Constable named John Selman, which is also — you guessed it — another story.

The drive had, like all the trail drives at that time,

been long, dusty, difficult and dangerous. But this one, unlike many others, would be forever remembered by history for its inclusion of the West's deadliest gunfighter as one of its cowboys.

And that was what made all the difference and made it — very dramatically — a trail drive to remember.

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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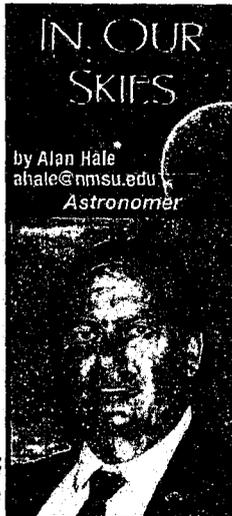
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# The distant furnace

As the Earth travels on its annual orbit around the sun we continuously see new constellations rising in the east during the evening hours, while those we have been seeing during the evening start to sink into the west; indeed, each time of the year has its own characteristic scene in this annual "constellation dance." Here in the crisp, cool nights of early November what we might normally think of as the summertime constellations, for example, Sagittarius, Cygnus, and Aquila, are starting to get low in our west, while the constellations we normally associate with winter, i.e., Orion, Taurus, and Gemini, are starting to rise in our east.

The ancient Greeks, from whom we derive most of our prominent constellations, did not see these in all parts of the sky, and thus those constellations that are in the more empty regions of the nighttime sky are relatively recent inventions. One of these is Fornax, the Furnace, located somewhat to the southwest of Orion, and proposed by the French astronomer Nicolas Louis de Lacaille in the mid-18th Century. While the idea of a celestial furnace has its attractions considering the cold wintery nights we are



heading towards, Lacaille's primary intent was that this constellation would represent a solid-fuel chemical furnace for usage in chemical experiments.

The primary reason that Fornax is in a relatively empty region of the nighttime sky is that, when we

look in its direction we are looking away from the plane of our galaxy, and out into extragalactic space. In fact, our galaxy's "south pole," i.e., directly away from the galactic plane, lies in the adjoining constellation of Sculptor (incidentally, another creation of Lacaille). But while there may be few stars in this region of the sky, the fact that there is little in the way of dust or gas to block the view means that there are plenty of external galaxies to be found here.

There is in fact a rather large and populous "cluster" of galaxies in Fornax, located some 65 to 70 million light-years away from us, with as many as a few dozen detectable with moderate-sized to large backyard telescopes, and hundreds more being visible with very large telescopes. The largest galaxy in the Fornax cluster is a giant one known as NGC 1316, which appears to be a prime example of the phenomenon called

"galactic cannibalism," i.e., a galaxy that grows over time by collecting and merging with nearby smaller galaxies. It gives off a lot of radio waves — indeed, it is sometimes known under its "radio galaxy" designation of "Fornax A" — and this is most likely caused by gas from the "devoured" galaxies being pulled into the very large black hole that resides at its center.

One of the many remarkable discoveries in extragalactic astronomy over the past two to three decades has been the finding that clusters of galaxies are not distributed randomly throughout the universe, but rather are collected into enormous structures dubbed "filaments" and "walls," with immense empty regions of space called "voids" between them. One of these "walls" is located in Fornax and another one in Sculptor; both of these "walls" are located some 400 million light-years away from us, and are aligned roughly parallel to each other. Meanwhile, beyond the Fornax Wall is a large empty region of space hundreds of millions of light-years across called the "Fornax Void."

These two "walls" have been in the news lately. Observations by NASA's Chandra X-ray Observatory and the European Space Agency's XMM-Newton spacecraft of x-rays being given off by a very distant galaxy located beyond these walls has revealed

the existence of a hot but very thin gas scattered throughout the galaxy clusters in these "walls." This appears to confirm the existence of what has been called the Warm-Hot Intergalactic Medium, or WHIM, which had been proposed to explain some of the "missing" matter of the universe that we know must be there but which hadn't been detected before. The gas of this WHIM in the Fornax and Sculptor Walls is very sparse, only containing about six hydrogen atoms per cubic meter of space (about a hundred thousand times less dense than typical for interstellar gas).

Even beyond the Fornax Wall and the Fornax Void, we continue to find galaxies and more galaxies. In late 2003 and early 2004 the Hubble Space Telescope exposed (for a total exposure time of 11 1/2 days) one tiny region of space in Fornax, creating what has been dubbed the Hubble Ultra Deep Field, of HUDF. After last year's final servicing mission to Hubble that installed a new infrared camera, an additional set of exposures (totaling an exposure time of four days) of the HUDF were taken to extend its view into that part of the spectrum. Approximately 10,000 galaxies, out to the end of the observable universe, are visible within the HUDF.

Last month a team of astronomers led by Matt Lehnert of the Paris

Observatory announced the results of their studies of one of these very tiny and dim HUDF galaxies, designated UDFy-38135539, with the European Southern Observatory's Very Large Telescope in Chile. Lehnert's team determined that the light we are seeing from this galaxy left on its way to us over 13 billion years ago, in fact, only about 600 million years after the Big Bang itself. This makes it, by far, the most distant galaxy, indeed the most distant object of any kind, ever measured. (Because of the expansion of the universe it is now probably close to 30 bil-

lion light-years away.)

Many additional galaxies in the HUDF remain to be studied in detail, and some of these may well turn out to be even more distant than UDFy-38135539. The celestial furnace of Fornax thus will continue to shed more light about this universe within which we live.

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## Clubs/Associations

**Alto Women's Association:** 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Alto Club House for lunch and cards. Business meeting every first Tuesday.

**Angus Wood Carvers:** 5-8 p.m. every Monday, Nazarene Church Camp, Junction Hwys. 48 and 37; 336-9161.

**Art Connection:** Last Wednesday of each month. Innsbruck Club House. Info: Pat, 258-3602.

**Carrizozo Women's Club:** Second Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. at the clubhouse at 11th and D Avenue; Info: Tona Macken, 354-0769.

**Christian Motorcyclists Assoc:** Third Thursday monthly at 6:30 p.m.; 1204 Mechem, Suite 8.; online at [www.CMAUSA.org](http://www.CMAUSA.org); 575-336-1530 for local info. All are invited to attend.

**Duplicate Bridge Club:** 1 p.m. every Thursday, Saturday and Tuesday, plus a 299ers game 1 p.m. Mondays; Ruidoso Senior Center; Info: 257-7411 or 257-6188.

**Fort Stanton Museum:** Thurs. - Mon., 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Sun. 12 - 4 p.m. For group tours call 575-336-1436, or 575-336-4015.

**Insighters Book Club:** 6:30 p.m. first Wednesday of each month at Insight Books, 1860 Sudderth; No charge and all are welcome; Info: 257-4625.

**Lincoln County Bird Club:** Monthly field trips are scheduled at various times. Info: 257-5352 or 258-3862.

**Lincoln County Garden Club:** Meets every third Tuesday of the month at 9:45 a.m.; New members and visitors welcome; Info: Jordan, 378-5250.

**Lincoln County Right to Life Chapter:** 6:30 p.m. every second Tuesday at 309 L.L. Davis Dr. All are welcome; Info: 258-5108.

**Mountaintop Turners:** Woodturning club, 10 a.m. every third Saturday at the woodshop of Steve and Madeleine Sabo. Info: 354-0201.

**Party Bridge Group:** 1 p.m. Wednesday and Friday at the Ruidoso Senior Center; 336-4808.

**Photographic Society of Lincoln County:** 7 p.m. every second Thursday in the conference room at the Region IX office at 1400 Sudderth Dr.; 258-4003.

**Pine Top Rod and Custom Car Club:** Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. at various locations; Doug Babcock, 257-7365.

**Ruidoso Area Singles:** Meet new friends for social activities - dining out, parties, potlucks, outings, etc.? New group is forming. Info: Judy, 430-7870, or Martha, 430-9808.

**Ruidoso Book Review/Discussion Group:** First Wednesday monthly at 10 a.m.; Ruidoso Public Library, 107 Kansas City Rd. Public is welcome.

**Ruidoso Federated Woman's Club:** Meets every Monday; program varies. Potluck and bridge/card games. Second Monday (Sept.-May) includes program, business meeting, potluck, bridge/card games at 116 S. Evergreen.

**Ruidoso Masonic Lodge No. 73:** Meets first Monday of each month, 7:30 p.m., except national holidays, then moves to second Monday. Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Info: 258-3598.

**Ruidoso Mommies Group:** Want to meet other moms in the area through playdates or Mom's night out? Call Natasha, 640-7076, or Alice, 258-3331, or Ruidoso Moms on Facebook

**Ruidoso Ridge Runners 4-Wheel Drive Club:** Meets 1st Wed. monthly at K-BOB's. Dinner 6 p.m. and meeting at 7. Info: 336-2714 or 378-4853.

## Education

**ESL classes:** English as a Second Language classes sponsored by ENMU-Ruidoso Adult Basic Education; Mon-Thu, 9:30-11:30 a.m. at Nob Hill Portable G on El Paso Rd.; Mon, Tue, Thu, 6-8 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church; Spanish language GED Mon, 6-8 p.m. at Nob Hill Portable G on El Paso Rd.

**First Friday Adult Lecture Series:** Monthly, Capitan Public Library, free. Info: 354-3035.

**GED classes:** Sponsored by ENMU-Ruidoso Adult Basic Education; Mon-Fri, 9-11 and Mon-Tues, 5:30-7:30, at NM Workforce Connection in Compass Bank Bldg., 707 Mechem..

**La Junta F.C.E.:** 10:45 a.m. every 3rd Wednesday at San Patricio Senior Citizens building. Info: 653-4718.

## Help & Healing

**A Course in Miracles/Attitudinal Healing study group:** Each Tuesday; 5:30 p.m. High Mesa Healing Center, 336-7777.

**A Course in Miracles study group:** Wednesdays, 6:45 - 8 p.m. Free. Drop-ins welcome. The Wisdom Study Group. At The Yoga Studio, 2810 Sudderth Dr., #207, (upstairs to right of and above Schlotzkys) Call Marianne 575-257-0527.

**AI-Anon:** Meets at 10:30 a.m. every Saturday and 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday, 1216 Mechem Dr., Unit 1, ground floor, Ruidoso; info: 258-8885.

**AI-Anon:** Meets at noon every Friday at Methodist church in Carrizozo. Come to back door; bring your lunch.

**Alcoholics Anonymous: Ruidoso Arid Group.** Daily 7:30 a.m., noon, 5:15 p.m.; Thurs. 6:30 p.m.; Fri, Sat, Sun, 8 p.m. 1216 Mechem Dr., Unit 1, (ground fl) Ruidoso. Info: 258-8885.

**Bereavement or Grief Support:** For the community. Call Ruidoso Home Care & Hospice Foundation. Info: 258-0028.

**Co-Dependents Anonymous:** 6:30 p.m. Mondays at Holy Mount Episcopal Church, Ruidoso. Info: 808-2959.

**Gamblers Anonymous:** Meets at 7:15 p.m., Thursdays at the Mescalero Reformed Church, 336 Wardlaw Dr. For more information, contact Mike at 575-682-6200.

**H.E.A.L. (Help End Abuse for Life):** Domestic violence shelter and hotline: 1-866-378-6378.

**Meditation Practice:** First Wednesday of each month; 6:30 p.m. High Mesa Healing Center, 336-7777.

**Mountain High Recovery Group of Narcotics Anonymous:** Meets Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays 7 p.m. at Ruidoso Downs First Baptist Church, 361 Highway 70 East.

**Open Circle:** Each Sunday; 9:30 a.m. High Mesa Healing Center, 336-7777.

**Parenting Classes:** Counseling Center Prevention Program facilitates all parents seeking to enhance parenting skills, resolve issues and prevent substance use. Families with children ages 5-17 years of age that complete all requirements of the class qualify for a \$150 stipend. Qualifications and info: Brenda Motley-Lopez or Salli Mason at 257-0520.

**Parents of Addicted Children:** New Name Ministry offers help for parents of addicted children. For appointment, phone 802-0263 in Ruidoso and leave a message. Payment of free-will offering appreciated.

**Prepared Childbirth Classes:** Meets 7 p.m. Tuesdays at the Lincoln County Medical Center's conference room. Six classes per session with qualified, certified instructors; Info: 257-7381 (ask for OB dept.).

**Science of Mind Study Group:** Each second and fourth Saturday; 10:30 a.m.-noon; High Mesa Healing Center, 336-7777.

**Sex Addicts Anonymous:** 5:30 p.m. Thursdays at the Episcopal Church Parish Hall meeting room, 121 Mescalero Trail. Info: 575-201-4203.

**Stretch & Tone Class:** For men and women of all ages, 9-10 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Senior Center, 501 Sudderth, Emese, 258-0003, or Terry Franklin, 257-4565.

**Temple Builders Weight Loss Support Group:** Thursdays at 6-6:30 p.m. at Angus Church; no dues or

food purchase, just friendly support and accountability; weigh-in followed by short devotional. Info: 336-8032.

**Working Disabled Health Insurance:** State of N.M. Working Disabled Individuals Medicaid Program; call Jeanie White at 575-622-4169

## Political

**Democratic Party of Lincoln County:** Monthly meetings 6 p.m. first Thursday of each month except Jan., July and Sept. Info: 973-7505, or Maria, 937-8394.

**Democratic Women Sacramento Mountain Area:** third Saturday at K-BOB's at 12:00 noon. For more information call 808-1133 or 257-6078

**Federated Republican Women of Lincoln County:** Regular meetings. For information, call 653-4379.

**Republican Party of Lincoln County:** Meetings at Cree Meadows Country Club; info, 336-7038.

## Service Organizations

**Altrusa Club:** 5 p.m. every third Tuesday, First Christian Church, 1211 Hull Rd. Info: Deb 336-1486 or [www.altrusaruidoso.com](http://www.altrusaruidoso.com).

**Boy Scouts of America, Troop 52:** 6:20 p.m. every other Wednesday; Angus Church of the Nazarene. Info: 808-1172.

**Boy Scouts of America, Troop 59:** 6 p.m. every Monday, Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount. Info: Mark, 378-5623.

**B.P.O. Elks No. 2086:** 7 p.m., first and third Thursdays, Elks Lodge Building, U.S. 70; Info: 257-2607.

**B.P.O. Does:** Noon, second and fourth Thursdays, Elks Lodge Building, U.S. Highway 70.

**Children's TeamKids Discipleship Program:** 6-7:45 p.m. Wednesdays (Sept.-May), First Baptist Church, 270 Country Club Dr., Ruidoso. For children age 4 to 6th grade; Info: 257-2081, [www.fbcuidoso.com](http://www.fbcuidoso.com).

**Friends of Capitan Library:** Call for volunteers for Not 2 Shabby Thrift Shop. Info: Raylene, 354-3046 or library, 354-3035.

**Humane Society of Lincoln County:** Gavilan Canyon Rd. shelter open Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri 11 a.m.-4 p.m. and Sat 11-2; ReSale Shop at the "Y" open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Mon-Sat; Info: 378-1040.

**Kiwanis:** Tuesdays at noon at K-BOB's; Rutalee, 258-1431.

**Laughing Eyes Kennels:** Nonprofit breeder and trainer of Service Dogs in Nogal seeks volunteers to assist with dog handling & puppy socialization, bookkeeping, fundraising and kennel

upkeep/management. Call 575-354-4342, or [www.lekennels.org](http://www.lekennels.org).

**Lincoln County Community Health Council:** 8 a.m. first Tuesday of each month at Community United Methodist Church, 220 Junction Rd. New members welcome. Info: 973-1829.

**Lincoln County Medical Center Auxiliary:** 9:30 a.m. second Tuesday of each month in the hospital conference room. New volunteers welcome. Info: 630-4250.

**Lincoln County Sheriff's Posse:** Meets first Sunday each month at 2 p.m. at the Posse building, Hwy. 54, in Carrizozo. Groups needing their volunteer security services, notify by mail one month (but not less than two weeks) prior to the monthly meeting. Send to P.O. Box 1284, Capitan, NM 88316. Info: 575-354-8007.

**OES Ruidoso Chapter 65:** Meeting every second Thursday at 7:30 p.m. 144 Nob Hill Dr. Info: 257-5313.

**Optimist Club (Friends of Youth):** Noon every Wednesday at K-BOB's. Info: 257-5938 or 258-9218.

**PEO (Philanthropic Educational Organization) Chapter AR:** Meeting every second and fourth Tuesdays. Info: Jennie Powell, 258-3896.

**Rotary International, Ruidoso-Hondo Valley Club:** 11:45 a.m. every Tuesday at Cree Meadows Country Club. Info: Barbara, 258-5445, Phillis, 257-5555, or Greg, 257-1255.

**Ruidoso Downs Auxiliary:** 7 p.m. every first Monday at the Ruidoso Downs Senior Center off East Highway 70; Info: 378-8099 or 378-8316.

**Ruidoso Evening Lions:** Tuesdays at 7 p.m. at the Evening Lions Club House, 106 S. Overlook (behind Chef Lupe's). New members always welcome. Info: Mike Zaragosa, 937-0768 or Harold Oakes, 937-7618.

**Ruidoso Shrine Club:** 6:30 p.m. every fourth Wednesday at Cree Meadows Restaurant; Info: 258-5860.

**Ruidoso Valley Noon Lions Club:** Meets at noon every Wednesday for lunch and meeting at Cree Meadows Country Club; Info: 258-1345.

**Sierra Blanca Daughters of the American Revolution:** Third Thursday of each month. Info: 258-3045.

**Zia Girl Scout Council:** 6 p.m. every third Thursday at the Cherokee Mobile Village Clubhouse on U.S. 70. Info: 437-2921.

**White Mountain Search & Rescue:** 7 p.m. every third Monday at First Christian Church near the intersection of Hull and Gavilan Canyon Roads. Info: email [whitemountainsar@gmail.com](mailto:whitemountainsar@gmail.com), visit [www.whitemountainsar.org](http://www.whitemountainsar.org) or phone 866-596-8392.

## Veterans

**American Legion Jerome D. Klein Post 79:** 11 a.m. every third Saturday, 101 Spring St. at Hwy. 70, Ruidoso Downs; Info: 257-6757.

**American Legion James A Hipp, Post 57:** First Tuesday each month at 7 p.m. Sr.Citizens Center, Capitan. 575-336-2194

**VFW Post 12071** meets the third Monday of each month at La Junta Lodge in Alto at 7 p.m. All eligible veterans are invited to attend.

**VFW Post 12071 Ladies Auxiliary** meets third Monday of each month at La Junta Lodge in Alto at 7 p.m. All eligible spouses, mothers, daughters and widows of veterans of foreign wars are invited to attend and join.

## Otero County

## Clubs & Associations

**Alamo Squares:** Square dancing on 2nd and 4th Saturdays. 8 p.m. Info: 437-3043, 434-2618 or 437-5474.

**Alamogordo Astronomy Club:** Meets every third Friday. Mike Mosier, 437-8260.

**Alamogordo Mustang Club:** Meets at 6:30 p.m. the second Thursday of the month at the Vision Ford. Daurian Orchard, 491-7952.

**Barbershop Harmony Society:** The "Sounds of Enchantment" barber-shop chorus meets at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 1212 Washington Ave., Alamogordo, every Tue., 7-9 p.m. Gentlemen of all ages welcome. Info: 437-8832.

**Boy Scouts:** Programs open to boys first grade-age 20, girls tenth grade-age 20. Info: Suzy, 437-7640.

**Chaparral Kennel Club:** 6:30 p.m. every first Wednesday at various locations. Promotes purebred dogs and sponsors therapy visits, dog shows, matches and the rescue of purebred dogs. Michele, 434-5220.

**The Christian Self-Employed Business Club:** Breakfast meetings at 8 a.m. on Fridays. Any self-employed person and a guest are welcome to attend. Paul Collins, 437-8257.

**Crochet Guild of America:** The Alamogordo Touch of Class Chapter welcomes all levels. 437-3832.

**Desert Basin Toastmasters:** Meets 6-7 p.m. every Tuesday at the Alamogordo Physical Therapy Center, 10th and Washington; and every 2nd and 4th Tuesday at Comm. Center at Holloman AFB. Guests welcome. Visit [desertbasin.freetoasthost.com](http://desertbasin.freetoasthost.com) or phone 921-4767.

**Desert Castaways Duplicate Bridge Club:** Meets 12:30 p.m. every Mon-

day, Tuesday & Friday at the Alamogordo Senior Center, 2201 Puerto Rico, 437-2822.

**Desert Mountain 4-Wheel Drive Club:** Meets third Tue. of each month at Wok Inn, Dinner at 6 p.m., meeting at 7. Info: 491-4257 or 430-3608.

**Enchanted Quilters Guild:** Meets 7 - 9 p.m. every first and third Thursdays at Christian Church Fellowship Hall, 1300 Hawaii Ave. All are welcome. Info: 434-5162 after 4 p.m..

**Experimental Aircraft Association:** Meets at 7 p.m. every second Tuesday in the pilots lounge at Alamogordo-White Sands Regional Airport. Open to all, including non-pilots.

**Girl Scouts:** Open to girls ages 5-17. Nancy, 437-2921.

**Golden Gears Car Club:** Meets at 7 p.m. every first Thursday at the VFW annex building. Cruise-ins are on the last Saturday of each month at Sonic on the north end of town on White Sands Blvd. 434-0200.

**Historic Vehicle Association of Alamogordo:** Anyone with an interest in old cars is welcome to join. John Douglas, 437-5318 or Gale Ortiz, 434-5242.

**The New Horizon Band:** Rehearsals 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. Thursdays at the Alamogordo Senior Center. 434-4281.

**Noel Southard Chapter of the National Wildlife Turkey Federation:** Meets at 7 p.m. first Monday at the Aristocrat Assisted Living Center on Robert Bailey Drive. 434-8356 or 434-1467.

**Otero County Association of Educational Retirees:** Meets 11:30 a.m. every third Tuesday at Margo's Restaurant, Alamogordo, Lincoln and Otero County educational retirees welcome. For info: Barbara, 585-5564 or Dave, 437-6948.

**Singles of Otero County:** Weekly activities to provide a social network for singles in the area. 18 & over welcome. 437-4035.

**Solar Energy Association:** Meets 6 p.m., every third Thursday (except summer) at Alamogordo Public Library. Public welcome. 682-6027.

**Tularosa Basin Rockhounds:** Meets every second Tuesday at First Christian Church, 2300 23rd St. Field trips every fourth Saturday, annual campouts and picnic. 437-3377.

**White Sands Dart Association:** Double team open tournaments 7 p.m. every Wednesday at Fraternal Order of Eagles Club, 471 24th St. Join to play or learn. Contact Delilah at 442-8750.

## Education

**ESL:** English as a second language class, 9 a.m. each Monday, 1328 Scenic Dr. \$15 for workbook. Class sponsored by Mountain Valley Baptist

Association; 437-9987.

**H.E.L.P. Head Start:** Accepting applications for pre-school children with or without disabilities. Free meals. Alamogordo Center: Maria Gallegos, 434-6313; La Luz Center: Martina Travis, 437-4485; Tularosa Center: Annette Chavez, 585-4818.

**Integrated Instructional Services Department:** Monthly Parent/Staff Advisory Committee meeting, 4 - 6 p.m. every second Tuesday at the IIS Building. Dr. Doug Householder, 439-3200.

**Lacy Simms:** Governing council meets at 5:30 p.m. every second and fourth Monday at First National Bank Building Atrium. Regular meetings are at 7:15 p.m.; 437-4011.

## Help & Healing

**Al-Anon:** New Day Al-Anon group meets noon Thursdays at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 1212 Washington Ave., Alamogordo.

**Alamogordo City Disability Council:** Meets at 2 p.m. every third Wednesday at the Sgt. Willie Estrada Memorial Civic Center. Disability Resource Center, 439-1112, or Ann French at 439-4227 or 439-4889.

**American Cancer Society Cancer Resource Center:** Mon. & Tues., 1 - 4 p.m.; Wed. & Thurs., 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. Hats, wigs, scarves, bras, prostheses; "Look Good - Feel Better" make-up sessions by appt.; 1212 E. 9th St., Ste. E; trained, certified "Reach to Recovery" volunteers. Free services. 575-437-6176, 430-1530, 437-0690.

**Blood Pressure Screening:** 9 a.m.-noon Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at the Red Cross office. Free; 700 E. First St., No. 765. 437-4421.

**Calvary Baptist Clothes Closet:** Open 2 - 4 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, 1200 Indian Wells Rd.; Clothing is free; Donations accepted. 437-0110.

**Celiac Disease/Gluten Intolerance Support Group:** Meets second and fourth Sundays, 2-3:30 p.m., in the conference room of ERA-Simmons Real Estate, 918 10th St., Alamogordo. Info: Kathie at 437-0603, Robin at 442-9419, or email painted-ladies64@yahoo.com.

**Child Health Care:** No or low cost for children under 19. Apply at the Otero County Public Health Office. 437-9340, 437-9899, or 437-9093.

**Divorced & Widowed Adjustment Group:** Meets at 6:30 p.m. every first and third Thursdays at Alamogordo Church, 2826 Indian Wells Rd. Non-sectarian self-help group dedicated to assisting men and women of all ages through the loss of a partner through divorce, separation or death. Info: Ben, 682-3621.

**HIBAC:** Counselors are available in the Nutrition Office at the Alamo

Senior Center, 9 a.m.-noon, Monday & Wednesday to assist with supplemental insurance for Medicare.

**Low Income Housing:** Applications are accepted 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday-Friday at the Alamogordo Housing Authority, located at 104 Amigo Ave. Laura, 437-5621 ext. 11.

**New Life Group of Narcotics Anonymous:** Meets Sun. 6 p.m., Tuesday/Thursday/Friday 8 p.m. First Christian Church, 2300 23rd St.

**Salvation Army Social Services:** Open 10 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday; 10 a.m.-noon Friday; 443-0845.

**Salvation Army Thrift Store:** Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Monday-Friday, and 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday. 443-0845.

**Search and Rescue:** Meets every second and fourth Thursday at the National Guard Armory, 1600 S. Florida Ave. Leroy Lewis, 430-2987 or Dan Josetosky, 437-4813.

**St. John's Community Kitchen:** Free meals 5-6 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday 437-3891.

**ZTrans:** Public transportation for \$1. Serves Holloman Air Force Base, Alamogordo, La Luz, Alamorosa, Tularosa and Mesalero. 439-4971.

**Zia Thrift Store:** Open 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. at 816 E. Ninth St., Monday - Saturday; Proceeds support the programs at Zia Therapy Center for children and adults with developmental disabilities; Donations appreciated; Fridays are Military Discount Day; 437-0144.

**Zia Transportation Services:** Offered for work, work-related activities, education, training and child-care. Contact an Income Support Division caseworker, New Mexico Works caseworker or Zia Therapy Center at 437-4222.

## Ongoing Activities

**Bingo:** 7 p.m. Wed., 12:30 and 3 p.m. Sun., 1 and 7 p.m. Mon. at the Eagles Lodge, 471 24th St. Ages 8 and up welcome with adult. 575-437-1302.

**Bingo:** 7 p.m. Wed.-Fri. and Sun., 2 p.m. Sat at the VFW, 700 U.S. 70 West. Ages 16 and over welcome with an adult. 437-0770.

**Coffee Club:** 7:30 - 9 a.m., third Wednesday; Edward Jones Investments, 1106 E. 10th St. Current events, identity theft & Soc. Sec. Breakfast provided. 443-1900.

**Joyful Noyse Recorder Consort:** Every other Sunday at various locations. Seeking soprano, alto, tenor & bass recorder players. 937-2006.

**Meditation Group:** Every Saturday, 10 a.m. - noon at 1010 16th St., Alamogordo. Music-guided meditation. 443-1075.

**Seniors Ping Pong:** 8 - 11 a.m.

Monday, Wednesday and Friday at Alamogordo Senior Center, 2201 Puerto Rico Ave. Monty, 437-1601.

**Yoga for Seniors:** 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday at First Presbyterian Church, 14th Street and Oregon Avenue. 437-0559

## Political

**Democratic Party of Otero County:** Meets first Tuesday at a local restaurant at 5:30 p.m., with 6 p.m. meeting start. Call 437-8590 for location.

**Mountain Democrats:** Meet second Wednesday at Big Daddy's Restaurant on U.S. 82, Cloudcroft, at noon. Info: Ellen Wedum, 682-2464 or email dotellen@gmail.com.

**Republican Party of Otero County:** Fourth Thursday meeting each month. Info: Sassy Tinning, 443-1195.

**Tularosa Democrats:** Meet at Coffee & More, 308 Granada, 5 p.m. sharp second Thursday of each month. Info: Charles Murrell at 585-8153.

## Service Organizations

**Alamogordo Breakfast Lions Club:** Meets at 7 a.m. every Saturday at Maximino's, 2300 White Sands Blvd. The public is welcome. Jeanette or Chuck, 434-6296.

**Alamogordo Noon Kiwanis:** Meets at Margo's Mexican Restaurant every Wednesday, except the fifth. 434-6417.

**Alamogordo Public Library Foundation:** Raises money and awareness for Alamogordo Public Library. Flori, 437-6616 or Allen, 434-2349.

**Altrusa International:** 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 5:30 p.m. at 19th Hole golf course restaurant. Jan Wafful, 491-0713 or Marty Poitra, 921-1144.

**Beta Sigma Phi International Sorority:** Focusing on cultural, social and service activities. Lynn 585-5516.

**Big Brothers Big Sisters:** Accepting applications for children ages 6 - 17 and volunteers 18 years or older. 434-3388.

**Daughters of the American Revolution:** Meets monthly on third Saturday at time and place TBA. 437-7200.

**Downtown Lions Club:** Meets on second and fourth Mondays at Mariscos Costa Azul, 415 S. White Sands Blvd. Public welcome. Terry Reed at 434-3968 or Martha 437-7515.

**Flickinger Guild:** Supporting the Flickinger Center for the Performing Arts, Guild members sell tickets in the box office, work the door for performances, usher, hand out programs and work concessions. Contact chairman Flori McEldery at 437-6616.

**Kiwanis Club of Alamogordo:** Meets on first and third Thursdays at 8 a.m. at Maximino's Restaurant, 2300 N.

White Sands Blvd; 434-0923.

**Order of the Eastern Star:** Tularosa Basin Chapter No. 72 meets at 7:30 p.m. every third Monday at 409 Higuera St., Tularosa. 434-1456.

**Special Olympics NM - Otero:** Sports training and competitions for children and adults with intellectual disabilities; track and field practice at 9 a.m. at NMSBVI in Alamogordo. Info: Anthony Bradway, 575-430-8902 or Sally Bradway at 479-2958.

## Veterans / Military

**Air Force Sergeants Association Chapter 1257:** Open meeting/lunch on at 11:30 a.m. second Friday at Base Enlisted Club. Visits to area veterans in local care centers every third Saturday, starting at the Betty Dare Center on North Florida Ave. promptly at 10 a.m. Gil Isley, 434-5552.

**American Legion Post 108:** Meets second Tuesday at 7 p.m., 23117 U.S. 70E, Tularosa; All eligible veterans, retired and active duty, encouraged to attend. Ed Summerall, 430-4322, Ed\_wishbone@hotmail.com.

**American Legion Auxiliary Unit 108:** Meets 2nd Tuesday of month at 6:15 p.m., 23117 U.S. 70E, Tularosa; Open to spouses, daughters, sisters, mothers or granddaughters of active/former military personnel. Info: Elaine Chestnut, 446-8331, mechestnut@msn.com, Ed Summerall, 430-4322.

**Disabled American Veterans, Chap. 14:** Meet first Monday of month at 821 Alaska, 6 p.m. Info: 434-8976.

**New Mexico American Legion Riders Association, Chap 8:** Meets second Tuesday at 8 p.m., 23117 U.S. 70E, Tularosa; All eligible veterans, retired and active duty, encouraged to attend. Ed Summerall, 430-4322, or Darrell Winfree, 430-7735.

**Sons of the American Legion Squadron 108:** Meets 3rd Monday of month at 7 p.m., 23117 U.S. 70E, Tularosa; Open to sons, grandsons of active/former military personnel. Info: Brian Koutrous, 717-202-9810, or Milton Chestnut, 446-9045.

**United States Submarine Veterans:** Feb. 6, 12 p.m., at White Sands Missile Range. All former submariners welcome. www.ussvi.org/BaseShow. Call Shane Foraker 575 437-0665.

**VFW Post 7686 and Ladies Auxiliary:** Meetings are at 7 p.m. every third Tuesday at 700 U.S. 70 West in Bingo Hall; 437-0770.

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## OUTDOOR ADVENTURE

# A Marine's tears: Remembering Peleliu

Tears filled the Marine's eyes. He made no attempt to wipe them away. Instead, he stared across the white sandy beach lapped by low waves as the young guide's voice described a bloody battle that took place here over 60 years ago.

Spoken words conjured images of deafening guns, whistling bullets, acrid smoke, painful screams, shouted orders and reddening sand. The Marine stared straight ahead. This had not been his battle, for he was just a little boy during this war.

But his First Marine Division had fought in this battle 66 years ago, and a Marine is always faithful—Semper Parati.

## Follow me to Peleliu

This month, we honor not only Veteran's Day, Nov. 11, but also Nov. 10, the US Marine Corps birthday and November 27th, the 66th anniversary of the end of the Battle of Peleliu.

Soldiers and civilians who lived through the war are far outnumbered by Baby Boomers, their children and grandchildren for whom "WWII" is only a collection of letters.

However, half a world away, on the tiny island of Peleliu in the Republic of Palau in the South Pacific, residents revere the memory of sacrifices made by those who fought the two-month-long Battle of Peleliu in 1944.

Two Baby Boomers, a 22-year-old and the Marine



today visit World War II battle sites and monuments in Peleliu, part of the Palauan archipelago, a trans-equatorial tropical paradise about seven degrees north of the equator above Australia and New Guinea.

Tangie Hesus, a stocky, smiling young man carrying a thick notebook, is Peleliu's Representative of Tourism. He drives our van over crushed coral roads into jungle, stopping in front of a square concrete structure.

"This was a Japanese pillbox. These twelve holes contained Japanese machine guns pointed to the Philippine Sea."

For the next couple of hours, we explore bombed-out buildings and some of the 200-plus pillboxes, bunkers and caves left from the 1914-1944 Japanese occupation.

"When World War II



began, the Japanese frightened the locals with war propaganda. They said, 'Americans have horns and eat people.' My grandma was scared."

Everywhere, thick jungle green envelops rusted tanks, trucks, plane wrecks and machine guns where warriors abandoned them decades ago.

Islanders have converted one former Japanese building to a WWII museum honoring both Japanese and American fighters. Nearby is a four-columned Memorial to Peace made of atomic-bombed stone, the plaque says.

Not only is Peleliu a virtual outdoor museum of WWII history, Tangie is a walking history book filled with details you never heard in school. You lean in closer.

## A two-month battle

"It started September 12, 1944 with an aerial bombardment by the Americans. On September 15, the invasion began. Since 1995, we celebrate September 15 as a holiday. The Americans thought the battle would take three days. Instead, it took two months for the Americans to get the Japanese out. Over 10,000 Japanese were killed, but 200 of them hid in caves long after the war was officially over. They survived by coming out at night and stealing food. In 1947 the last of them came out, asking for suicide or surrender."

A high rocky ridge runs like a dragon's back down the center of the six-mile long island. "This limestone hill is the northern

part of Bloody Nose Ridge. There's a cave 65 yards long inside. Its medical facilities were hidden dur-

ing the American bombardment.

"Col. Lewis 'Chesty' Puller commanded the

## Visiting battle sites half a world away

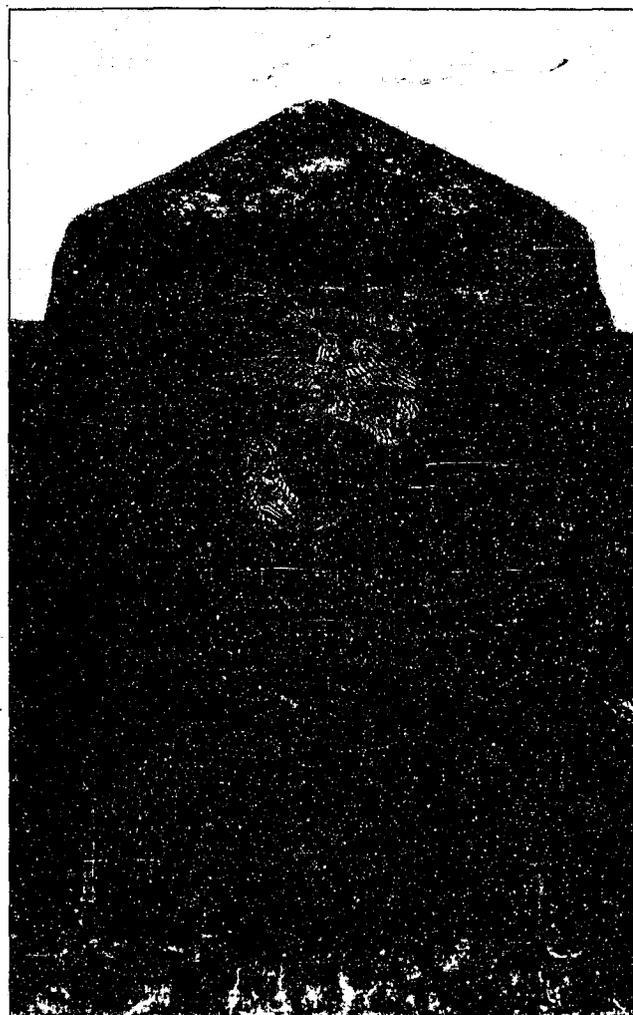
Continental Airlines lands daily in Koror, Palau's capital city. Either charter a boat to Peleliu or take the twice-weekly ferry with locals.

In addition to exploring WWII historic sites, visitors can dive, snorkel, fish, kayak or rent a bicycle. Storyboard Beach Resort's bungalows are the island's only lodging. Reach them at 680-345-1058, 680-345-1019, pdivers@palaunet.com, www.myMicronesia.com/Palau or P. O. Box 8071, Koror, Palau 96940. Or consult your favorite travel agent.

English and Palauan are official languages; the American dollar is the official currency.

Imagine how the families of soldiers, sailors and Marines must have pored over maps and globes, trying to locate where their boys were fighting during World War II. Now, sixty years later, we simply call the travel agent and book a plane reservation. Thanks, World War II vets, for the freedom to live our lives and to travel wherever we wish.

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fighting on Bloody Nose Ridge. The privates were put in front with bazookas and flamethrowers.

"They fought at night, hand to hand, no ammunition, food or water. They used limestone rocks to kill

*Facing page: Gentle waves lap white sand in the still morning. Sixty-six years ago, thousands of men fought and died here. Left: This plaque honoring the memory of Marine Captain George Hunt honors the Marines who fought and won the two-month-long Battle of Peleliu that ended sixty-six years ago this month. Below: Tangie Hesus of the Peleliu Department of Tourism explains the battles fought in Peleliu 60 years ago. "We never forget the Americans," he vows.*

the Japanese at night. One of the officers, Captain Pope, won the Medal of Honor. He came back in 1994 for the 50th anniversary of the Battle of Peleliu. This hill is now called Pope Hill."

### On the beach

Hiking along a narrow trail through lush vegetation, we dodge exposed roots and jutting branches, stopping in front of a dark hole facing a crescent beach. This hole was a Japanese bunker during the battle at White Beach.

Opening his thick notebook, Tangie shows pictures of a devastated jungle. "This is what White Beach looked like after the Americans used flamethrowers." Then he points out a plaque commemorating the fighting at White Beach. "I put this plaque here in 1999."

As Tangie narrates the events of the fighting at White Beach, waves lap

the sunny shore and wind rattles palm fronds. Words of battle seem incongruous in such a setting.

### The final stop

At a park-like grassy area, granite markers flank well-tended banks of flowers. "For five years, the bodies of the American Marines were buried here. But it's a tradition that a Marine always goes home, so eventually all the bodies were taken back to the US for burial, many to Arlington National Cemetery or Punchbowl National Cemetery."

He continues in a voice barely heard above the

wind in the ironwood trees. "We never forget the Marines because they gave us freedom. We take care of this still. We plant flowers so that all who come to Peleliu will know of the Marines."

His simple words bring a tear to the eyes of each visitor—we Baby Boomers whose fathers fought this war, the 22-year-old who knows only what he read in school, and the Marine, whose division had fought this battle decades-long gone.

*Semper Fidelis—Always Faithful.*

*Next: Festival of the Cranes in the Bosque.*



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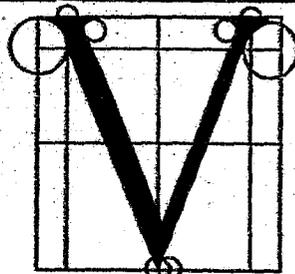
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