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Fort Stanton burials halted

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Military burials at the state's Fort Stanton Cemetery may be ending. On Nov. 10, the day before Veterans Day, the Museum of New Mexico's Board of Regents voted to close the cemetery to all future burials, said longtime volunteer caretaker Larry Holt of Capitan.

The cemetery, part of Fort Stanton, is under the domain of the Department of Cultural Affairs, which includes the Museum of New Mexico and State Monu-

Site was never meant to be a veterans cemetery, state says

ments. "The state fails to recognize they're in the cemetery business," said Holt.

But New Mexico's Secretary of Cultural Affairs, Stuart Ashman, whose agency acquired the 240-acre property several years ago, said New Mexico does not want to be in the veterans cemetery business.

"The monuments interim direc-

tor thought there were liability issues and some other questions, so he brought it to the attention of the board of regents, because the board of regents is the governing body of the Museum of New Mexico state monuments. They reviewed the matter and they voted to continue the moratorium, to halt the burials for several reasons," said Ashman.

"One of them is that cemetery was not really intended to be a

public cemetery. It was a Merchant Marine cemetery. And then later it was expanded to include people that had been connected to the Fort Stanton Hospital that closed in 1954. So that would limit the number of burials there. Then at some point somebody said then veterans should be buried there. But this is not a veterans' cemetery.

"When the property was given over to the Department of Cultural Affairs, it was to protect the historic integrity of the property. The

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FILLING THE BUS



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Samantha (9), Albert (12) and Nicolas (10) Torres of El Paso fill a basket with groceries and treats to donate to the MTD Radio 'Fill the Bus' food drive at Lawrence Brothers IGA Saturday. The Torres family has a cabin in Ruidoso and were visiting. Shoppers donated food, which was placed on a school bus provided by Lincoln Transportation, which transported the food to the Lincoln County Food Bank at First Baptist Church in Ruidoso Downs. MTD Radio General Manager Tim Keithley organizes the annual food drive to help get donations to the Food Bank for the holidays.

Convention Center redo is nearly complete

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A project covering more than \$1 million of renovations at the Ruidoso Convention Center is winding down, Deputy Village Manager Bill Morris told councilors last week.

When everything is ready and the furniture arrives, an open house will

be announced, he said. Councilor Jim Stoddard said the public should be invited to see the results of the work funded by lodgers tax.

The hallway and the fireplace with wood mantel and stone veneer were finished with the exception of some iron work, Morris said. Divider walls, ceilings and walls in three small

meeting rooms were completed and new wooden doors were installed.

"Outside work is continuing on the columns and handicapped ramps, as well as the portico area by the front door," he said. The wood beams and metal structure for trusses are in and the new roof was nearly ready, he added. Stucco work was hampered by sea-

sonal rains earlier, but the time was used to focus on furnishings and paintings inside.

"It's an amazing place," he said.

Morris was sitting in at the beginning of the meeting to give Village Manager Debi Lee a chance to recuperate from her trip to

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Village hopeful about bond lawsuit

■ Citizen had filed complaint over use of fees and taxes

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Ruidoso village officials returned from a meeting with representatives of the New Mexico Finance and Administration Department Tuesday confident the village is using the proceeds of a bond issue properly, they said.

Contractor Carl Kelley filed a lawsuit challenging that conclusion and asking the district court for a declaratory judgment, an injunction and restoration of money transferred from bond issue and impact fee revenue in the water enterprise fund to the general fund.

In a prepared statement issued Thursday, Village Manager Debi Lee wrote that the village was notified by the DFA that a written complaint was received on the issue Oct. 10, from a Ruidoso resident. At a council meeting last month, Kelley acknowledged he filed the complaint.

"The complaint states that the village is transferring Supplemental Gross Receipts taxes and impact fees into the General Fund to cover administration costs and support salaries," Lee wrote. DFA officials asked the village to provide information for the agency to review the facts covered by the complaint.

Lee, Village Finance Director Nancy Klingman and Financial Advisor Mark Valenzuela drove to Santa Fe Tuesday. Village Attorney Dan Bryant par-

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Shoppers check out jewelry at one of the many booths at the Ruidoso Valley Greeters Christmas Jubilee at the Ruidoso Convention Center Saturday. This was the 24th year for the Ruidoso Valley Greeters Christmas Jubilee sale.

Alto Lakes meets

The Alto Lakes Special Zoning District Commission will meet at 9 a.m., Nov. 18, in the Stag Room at the Alto Lakes Golf and Country Club, 1 Mulligan Drive, Alto.

In compliance with the Zoning & ACC Application

Handbook, applications must be submitted to both the Zoning District and the ACC for most repairs, replacements and improvements. The applicant is responsible to comply with all requirements of the Zoning Ordinance, Restrictive Covenants, and the ALG&CC Bylaws.

To avoid delay of permit reviews, ensure the appropriate number of copies are provided when paperwork is submitted, as noted on Page 6 of Zoning & ACC Application Handbook.

The final agenda for the meeting will be published at least 24 hours prior to the meeting and will be

posted on the bulletin board of the Alto Lakes Golf and Country Club.

Time to mow

Rain has caused the grass to grow - n it's time to mow.

There is an abundant amount of tall grass over

much of southeastern New Mexico. If your property is covered with grass, especially tall grass near your home, outbuildings, work sheds and propane tanks, then it's time to get that grass mowed. By mowing grass, you can reduce the wildfire threat in and around your property.

As the seasons change, grass will begin to dry out quickly and it can be susceptible to ignition from a variety of sources, including catalytic converters - parked cars and ATVs coming in contact with tall grass; improperly discarded charcoal briquettes and hot ashes; careless or inattentive smokers; and there's always the possibility that lighters and matches can fall into the wrong hands, resulting in the start of a wildfire.

The occurrence of wildland fires is increasing, especially in southeastern New Mexico, where emergency personnel from Eddy, Lea and Chaves counties have already been responding to roadside fires.

Joel Arnwine, Eddy County Emergency Manager, stated "with fire danger increasing everyone should be careful with ignition sources including dragging trailer chains, welding and cutting, as well as agricultural burning."

New Mexico State Forestry has also been monitoring conditions statewide and is preparing for an earlier than normal fire season on state and private land.

"The last time we had a mild winter, hundreds of thousands of acres burned in southern and eastern New Mexico, said New Mexico State Forester Arthur "Butch" Blazer. "We need landowners to be extremely cautious with their use of fire to avoid potentially catastrophic

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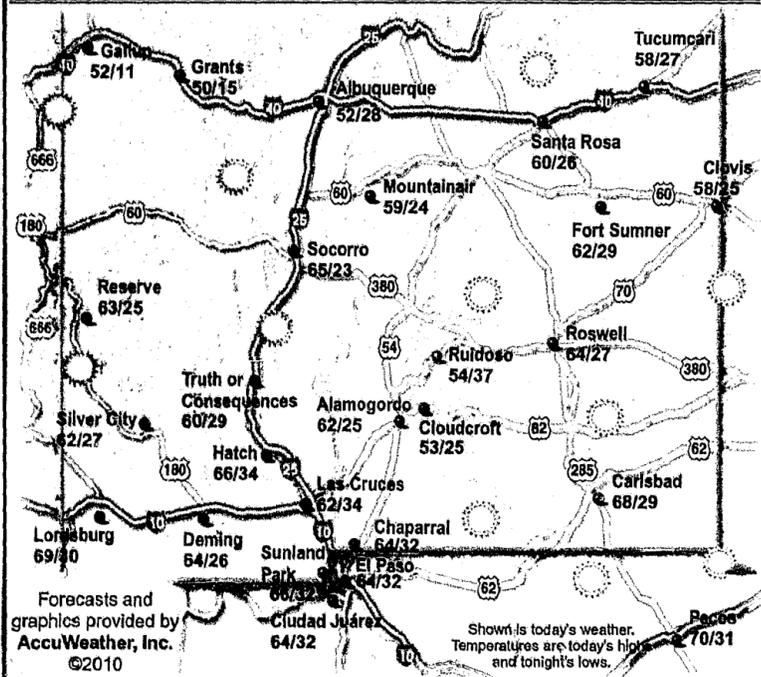
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TODAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
RealFeel 57°	RealFeel 64°	RealFeel 65°	RealFeel 63°	RealFeel 55°	RealFeel 52°	RealFeel 57°
Humidity 30%	Humidity 22%	Humidity 20%	Humidity 18%	Humidity 25%	Humidity 37%	Humidity 33%
54° 37°	59° 40°	65° 45°	66° 46°	59° 43°	56° 37°	54° 33°
Plenty of sunshine	Plenty of sunshine	Sunshine	A full day of sunshine	Mostly sunny and breezy	Plenty of sunshine	Brilliant sunshine
Wind: N 6-12 mph	Wind: W 6-12 mph	Wind: SW 7-14 mph	Wind: SW 12-25 mph	Wind: SW 15-25 mph	Wind: SW 12-25 mph	Wind: WSW 6-12 mph

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Regional Cities



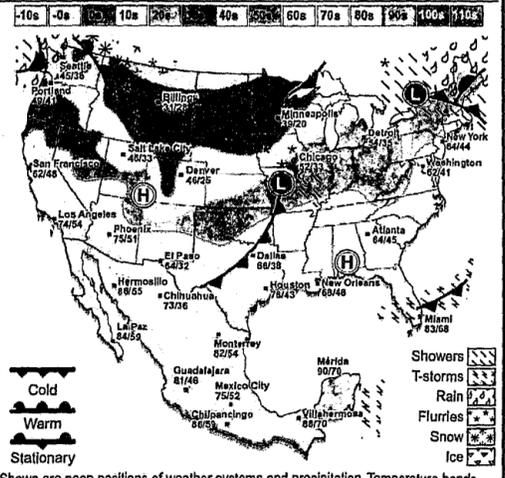
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Ruidoso
Statistics through Monday
Temperature:
High/low 46°/28°
Normal high 57°
Normal low 24°
Record high 77° (1967)
Record low 4° (1970)
Precipitation:
Monday 0.00"
Month to date Trace
Normal month to date 0.50"
Year to date 20.65"
Normal year to date 20.51"
Pollen:
Grass Absent
Trees Absent
Weeds Low
Mold Low
Predominant Ragweed
Source: Eddie L. Gaines, MD, of the Allergy & Asthma Clinic

Alamogordo
Statistics through Monday
Temperature:
High/low 61°/34°
Normal high 64°
Normal low 36°
Record high 80° (1975)
Record low 25° (1970)
Precipitation:
Monday 0.01"
Month to date 0.01"
Normal month to date 0.41"
Year to date 12.39"
Normal year to date 11.85"

Weather Trivia™:
Q: What was the worst storm to hit the Northeast in November?
A: The Great Appalachian Storm, 1961

National Forecast for Nov. 17, 2010



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

National Cities			Regional Cities		
City	Today	Thu.	City	Today	Thu.
Abilene	64/31/s	62/38/s	Albuquerque	52/28/s	59/30/s
Anchorage	21/5/s	26/9/s	Artesia	64/32/s	67/33/s
Atlanta	64/45/s	80/41/s	Chama	48/15/s	53/14/s
Austin	74/36/s	65/29/s	Clayton	52/23/s	62/34/s
Baltimore	62/40/pc	58/39/pc	Cloudcroft	53/25/s	55/12/s
Boston	64/42/r	52/35/pc	Farmington	49/19/s	57/24/s
Chicago	52/33/c	44/29/c	Hobbs	66/30/s	63/32/s
Dallas	68/38/s	59/39/s	Los Alamos	50/25/s	54/18/s
Denver	48/25/s	66/33/pc	Portales	62/27/s	62/30/s
Des Moines	42/24/sn	40/29/s	Raton	46/14/s	62/21/s
Detroit	54/35/pc	47/32/c	Red River	42/11/s	49/12/s
El Paso	64/32/s	67/34/s	Ruidoso	54/37/s	59/40/s
Las Vegas	68/45/s	69/48/s	Santa Fe	50/21/s	58/25/s
Los Angeles	74/54/s	74/54/pc	Silver City	62/27/s	65/31/s
Minneapolis	39/20/c	32/26/pc	Taos	44/11/s	56/15/s
New Orleans	68/48/s	64/46/s			
New York City	64/44/s	54/40/pc			
Philadelphia	65/42/pc	56/38/pc			
Phoenix	75/51/s	77/50/s			
Reno	60/32/s	62/33/s			
San Francisco	62/48/s	61/50/s			
San Diego	68/53/pc	68/55/pc			
Seattle	45/36/r	43/36/r			
Seattle	45/36/r	43/36/r			
Tucson	74/43/s	78/42/s			
Tulsa, OK	58/32/s	52/34/s			
Wash., DC	62/41/pc	58/40/pc			
Yuma	80/53/s	81/54/s			
Wichita	50/25/s	51/29/s			

Mexican Cities		
City	Today	Thu.
Acapulco	90/73/s	90/73/s
Cancun	86/68/pc	81/68/l
Chihuahua	73/36/s	68/39/s
Ciudad Juárez	64/32/s	68/34/s
Leon	79/48/s	73/45/pc
Mexico, DF	75/52/pc	70/46/pc
Monterrey	82/54/s	68/46/pc
Morelia	80/49/s	78/48/pc
Oaxaca	86/57/pc	75/54/pc
Pto. Penasco	81/57/s	81/53/s
Tijuana	72/50/s	72/52/s

Sun and Moon

Wednesday: Sunrise/Sunset
6:35 a.m./5:00 p.m.

Wednesday: Moonrise/Moonset
2:25 p.m./2:46 a.m.

Moon Phases

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Nov 21 Nov 28 Dec 5 Dec 13

Extremes

Monday's National High/Low:
(For the 48 contiguous states)
High: 90° in Indio, CA
Low: 7° in Angel Fire, NM

Monday's World High/Low:
High: 113° in Vredendal, South Africa
Low: -53° in Summit Station, Greenland



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Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant manager Bobby Snowden, left in both photos, reports on progress underway at the plant to U.S. Senator Tom Udall (in green jacket), Ruidoso Downs Mayor Tom Armstrong (in cap) and Ruidoso Mayor Ray Alborn. Udall was in the area Friday to tour the Wastewater Treatment Plant construction site and the Perk-Grindstone area of the Lincoln National Forest.

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destruction to life and property." For more information about defensible space, please visit firewise.org/ or www.nmforestry.com (click on the "Living With Fire" icon at the bottom of the page), or contact Loretta Benavidez, BLM Fire

Sonic booms

Officials with the 49th Wing have announced that sonic booms could occur Wednesday, Nov. 17, from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Thursday, Nov. 18, from 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.; and Friday, Nov. 19, from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. At this time no flights are scheduled for Saturday or Sunday. Schedules can change based on a variety of reasons and scheduled times do not always mean sonic booms will occur. For additional information, visit www.holloman.af.mil.



COURTESY RPLC

John Billingsley, a member of the New Mexico GOP Executive Committee and Political Advisor to the Republican Party of Lincoln County, spoke at the RPLC November meeting. He gave a condensed comprehensive analysis of the 2010 election results and also thanked the Lincoln County Tea Party for their efforts in awakening the electorate to the abuses of power and growth of big government. John stressed that although conservatives won a huge victory in the mid-term elections, a much larger battle looms in 2012.

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OPINION

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OUR OPINION

Ruidoso Downs City Council made right call

Rules are rules regarding zoning

Sometimes, public officials must act as the "bad guys" and go by the book for the broader community.

When Ruidoso Downs City Council upheld a Planning & Zoning decision to deny a zoning variance by a 3-1 vote (with Councilor Rene Olivo dissenting), it did the right thing.

The issue before them last week was a request by one Derekk Chavez to place a singlewide mobile on property with R-1 zoning. Chavez had told planners last month that the singlewide was placed on a 5.8-acre parcel owned by his father in Turkey Canyon and

was "in storage."

A city resident last week even appealed to the council on Chavez's behalf, calling the family hardworking.

Planning & Zoning Director Steve Dunigan reminded the council that a zoning variance may only be granted for hardships created by a site's topography. City Attorney H. John Underwood, advising against a variance, argued for consistent zoning and dependable ordinances.

They're both correct, and so was the council. Rules are rules and are in place for reasons bigger than one family's claim to hardship.

Richardson's patronage system may actually spark reform

In June the New Mexico Film Museum closed after a short, unproductive life. It was a cost-cutting measure, said the Governor's Office.

The museum rarely offered a program and had no operating budget. It did pay its directors, each one politically connected, rather well (\$80,000 a year for the last two). There was a flap in 2007, when the governor attempted to appoint former Secretary of State Rebecca Vigil-Giron as director, because she had no relevant experience. But none of the museum's directors had any film experience.

And so it went. When Bill Richardson took office, it wasn't just patronage as usual. Every governor has appointed some friends and cronies; Richardson reached deep into each bureaucratic warren with his appointments. The result was to politicize state government down to its toenails. In doing that, observed former Gov. Gary Johnson, we got people who were loyal to Richardson and not necessarily to the taxpayers.

For a surprisingly long time, nobody seemed to mind. The *Albuquerque Journal* published a long list of appointments and noted their political ties and/or contributions, and the revelations raised little dust.

Richardson said he liked to hire politicians because they knew how to get things done. Trouble was, they didn't. The first hint was the rapid rise and disappearance of former Taos Mayor Fred Peralta, dethroned as Tourism Secretary by demand of the tourism industry and farmed out to the State Fair, where he became one in a series of unqualified political pals, joined by a gaggle of lower-level appointees, to mismanage the venue — this despite calls for professionalism of fair management from a task force.

Their fitness for office became a recurring issue for Richardson's political appointees.

Contrast this with the experience of former Gov. Garrey Carruthers, who made one mistake in hiring the inexperienced son of a political contributor as

Economic Development and Tourism Secretary. The protest was loud and the response quick; the young appointee evaporated, replaced by businessman John Dendahl, who did a good job.

Why the difference? Carruthers didn't enjoy the magic carpet ride of popularity that floated Richardson's first six years. Ironically, it was Dendahl, later the Republican candidate for governor, who predicted that cronyism and the resulting poor morale in state government would dog Richardson. We pause here to acknowledge the competent appointees who, without fanfare, have worked hard for the state. The governor's appointments weren't all awful, but the worst of the lot stand out.

Lately the fires of controversy have enveloped the 59 appointees supposedly laid off and the quiet transition of others into civil service jobs. I find both issues harder to get excited about than the damage wrought for 8 years by incompetents in high positions. We still don't know the identities of the 59, but I have to believe that most of them accepted positions in good faith and don't deserve to be hounded while they try to find new jobs.

As for the new civil servants, every administration's end has seen a similar scramble to security. This is hardly new.

Gov.-elect Susana Martinez has named former Congresswoman Heather Wilson to lead her transition team, and they want to find "highly qualified individuals of character who want to commit themselves to Susana's vision for New Mexico," Wilson said. She promised fresh faces.

It's a good start. Members of the search committees are varied and knowledgeable.

In the beginning, Richardson also had an impressive transition team. This time around, the process and the appointees will be scrutinized. It's probably unrealistic to think politics will be absent, but hopefully, we'll get a smaller, better crop of appointees. We have Bill Richardson to thank for that.

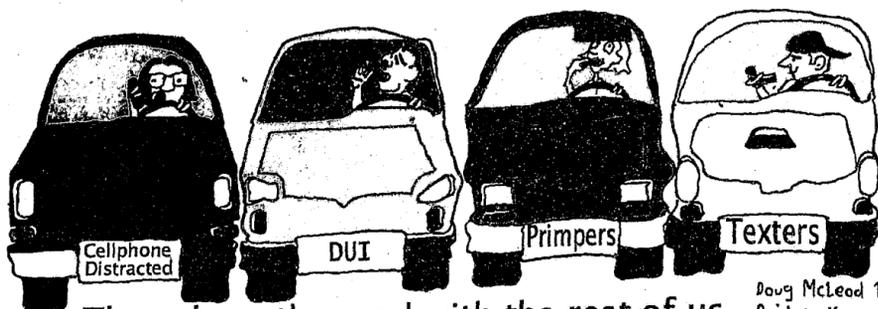


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YOUR OPINION

Where will GOP cut spending?

To the editor:

SINCE THE newly elected Republican conservatives replaced the mostly conservative Democrats, we have had the unfortunate pleasure of hearing their "new" policy direction. Tax cuts for the wealthiest 2 percent of the international investor class, spending cuts (that's where you and I come in), but first and foremost taking out President Obama.

Focusing on destroying Obama is actually smart politics (bad for the country) for keeping the uninformed conservative base sufficiently amped up for Sara's run in 2012, while simultaneously creating a dense enough political smokescreen to hide their budget-busting, middle class-destroying, immigrant-scapegoating initiatives.

Second, the Republican leadership has clearly stated that if their corporate campaign contributors on Wall Street don't continue to get their \$700 billion tax break they will continue to hold hostage the Democrats' mid-

dle class tax break.

However, what I wanted to write about is the "spending cut" wand that the new leadership keeps waving around. When asked what exactly the conservatives would cut, they mumble some incoherent blather. But never fear, I am here, to help these poor deluded sods.

Let's start with the herd of elephants in the room that no politician dare mention let alone confront: military/ war spending. Now I'm not talking about cutting VA benefits or soldiers pay or "real" defense spending; I'm talking about ending corporate war profiteering, ending two pointless and costly wars, reducing our international military footprint and, for the sake of all that is holy and just, stop buying junk that doesn't work and that the military says they don't want.

Since by my reckoning the war budget is 56 percent of discretionary spending, that is some serious savings.

Next, stop giving tax breaks to

companies who pollute our air and foul our waters, the fossil fuel industry. That return is worth tens of billions alone. Another obvious gaping hole in the country's economic hull is the Carlsbad Cavern-sized loopholes that allow wealthy miscreants to take that \$700 billion Bush tax cut to the Cayman Islands and not only avoid paying their taxes but then invest it into the Chinese economy.

In case you were wondering where we get that \$700 billion — that's right, we will borrow most of it from China and steal the rest from Social Security. Folks, if we keep letting corporate sell-outs in Washington and the traveling freak show that is our corporate media dictate the terms of debate in this country we will keep losing jobs and any hope of a decent quality of life for ourselves and our children. It's time to set aside petty differences and focus on getting a grip on our economy.

Chris Edstrom
Alto

Martinez's transition team impressive so far

As the gubernatorial transition from Bill Richardson to Susana Martinez moves forward, a few observations appear appropriate.

One suggestion has come to the IdeasForNewMexico.com email address unveiled in my last column. It's a good one and is exactly the sort of problem, well known to people on the ground, that doesn't trickle to the netherworld of the transition.

Isabelle Montoya and a colleague wanted to open an outpatient speech therapy clinic in Farmington. To accept Medicare and Medicaid patients, they had to be licensed as a "limited medical clinic." Getting the license required extensive remodeling of their 1,300-square-foot building, including \$10,000 of plumbing work. State officials told Montoya that potential providers walk away "many, many times" because of the regulations.

This is a perfect example of mindless regulation reducing productivity and stifling creativity. For the full tale see www.capitolreportnm.blogspot.com.

Gov. Elect Martinez has selected committees to find department secretaries, commonly three per committee. The transition personnel I know tend to be hugely talented, starting with former U.S. Rep. Heather Wilson as the overall transition chief. Former state Rep. Brian

Moore of Clayton, the transition policy director, spent years on the Legislative Finance Committee and brings detailed knowledge of the budget. The LFC prepares a full budget, as does the executive branch. While one might reasonably question the duplication, the LFC has been the one fighting the Richardson administration's spendthrift nature.

I hope the transition committees seek competence. Don't just cover the political base. Get someone who knows something about the subject and offers some management skill. Do not give us ex-publishing executives (Richardson's economic development secretary), former TV newsmen (Richardson's labor secretary), or radio station executives (Carruthers's economic development secretary).

Republicans scored an eight-seat gain in the New Mexico House, amazing considering only 33 seats had contested races. The leap brings Republicans to levels not seen in decades. In the House the Republicans are no longer spectators, observes minority leader Rep. Tom Taylor (R-Farmington).

Consolidating the gains becomes the next challenge. Certainly, if the Republicans follow their do-nothing precedent, established in the 1980s and continued into the 2000s, the gains will be frittered away. The

do-nothing approach followed big gains in 1978 and 1980.

The Rs need an incumbency program immediately with full-time staff to support the new and existing legislators, to help elected officials communicate with the district and provide constituent service so effectively as to scare away future opposition.

Starting by the spring of 2011, the Rs also need a staffed candidate recruitment and training program. Another ingredient for Republicans is party-building work from Martinez. Gary Johnson ignored such tasks. It showed.

Diane Denish, the Democratic candidate for governor, is sticking around the public policy conversation. In a Nov. 11 email to supporters, she said, "I want you to stay in touch with me on my Facebook page (www.facebook.com/dianedenish). Please send me your messages and comments and I'll keep you informed about issues facing New Mexico families and let you know what I've been up to."

Finally, here is a second request to share what state government has been up to recently to waste your time, your money and drive you crazy. Let me know via an email to IdeasForNewMexico@swcp.com. I'll publicize the results. With the administration's recent budget revelations, Gov.-elect Martinez and transition policy chief Brian Moore need all the help they can get.

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NEW MEXICO PROGRESS

Squaw Fire burns one acre; nearby structures saved

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Firefighters knocked down a wildland blaze Thursday northwest of Ruidoso.

The Squaw Fire was reported shortly after 3 p.m. off Musketball Road at Squaw Valley Road.

The Ruidoso Fire Department initially responded with one engine and was relieved shortly afterward by four units and 13 firefighters from the Bonito Volunteer Fire Department.

The Forest Service's Smokey Bear Ranger District also had an engine and crew at the scene. The Lincoln County Office of Emergency Services was at the location as well.

Approximately one acre

of vacant, private property burned in the flames that were believed caused by hot ashes that had been dumped at the location, according to Travis Atwell, Lincoln County's Office of Emergency Services manager.

"Even with cold temperatures in the winter, we can have wildland fires," said Bonito Volunteer Fire Department spokesperson Kathryn Minter. Noting that dried grasses are tall, Minter added, "If we don't get much moisture this winter, spring winds will bring a bad fire season. Cut your grass now."

Responders to the fire cut a line around the blaze, extinguished the flames, mopped up and cut a few snag trees down. As a precaution, one engine was



A firefighter deals with a wildland fire that broke out last Thursday just outside Ruidoso. No structures were lost in the 1-acre blaze.

sent to a nearby home for precautionary protection, but no structures were ever threatened, said Minter.

Lincoln County Manager Tom Stewart said the Squaw Fire raised con-

cerns.

"The fire behaved as if we were in a very high to extreme fire danger," said Stewart. "We will continue to monitor to see if we get some moisture to quell the

growing fire danger."

Stewart said the National Interagency Fire Center has Lincoln County's fire danger as high.

Because of the dry conditions, and gusty winds on Monday and Tuesday, the county banned outdoor burning on the two days. Stewart said the situation would be watched carefully because of the conditions.

The Bonito Volunteer Fire Department was called back to the Squaw Fire Friday morning because of smoking hot spots.

State Forester Arthur "Butch" Blazer Friday reminded residents that despite abundant moisture last winter, the potential for wildfire this fall and winter is high.

"Similar to the winters of 2006, 2007 and 2008, fire

danger is highest across the eastern plains and the southern parts of New Mexico," Blazer said. "Because almost all wildfire that occur during the fall, winter and early spring months are human cause, I'm asking that our state residents and visitors be especially cautious with their use of fire."

Last winter and spring plentiful moisture kept incidents of wildfires lower than the previous several years. But a generally light monsoon season, followed by mild weather this fall, has raised fire danger levels.

Fine fuels, such as grass and brush, are drying out rapidly and will be especially susceptible to wildfire, said the State Forestry Division.

SUIT

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participated by conference call and Chris Muirhead with the Modrall Sperling law firm, the village bond advisor, was available by telephone.

DFA officials could not be reached Thursday to find out if a letter will be sent to the village or to Kelley with the department's conclusion on the validity of the complaint.

In the prepared village statement, Lee pointed out that in May, the council directed her to balance the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 operating budget, something that had not occurred for eight years as expenses exceeded revenues and

reserves dwindled.

"As a result, every line item in every fund was evaluated and costs for services associated with that fund were identified," Lee wrote. "Salaries directly supporting the Utility Funds, such as the project manager and project engineers responsible for the \$5 million of utility fund capital projects and improvements to the municipal water system," were being paid out of the General Fund.

"The General Fund should only be responsible to (pay for) general purposes such as police, streets, parks and recreation, senior center, administration, finance (and others), and does not directly share in the revenue from the enterprise funds," Lee

wrote. "As a result, these salary operating costs directly associated with the utility enterprise funds were moved out of the General Fund into the appropriate enterprise fund."

"After discussion with our financial advisor and village attorney, revenues from the SGRT were transferred to that utility fund to support those costs. Given that the enterprise funds do not have their own finance director, payroll clerk, accounts payable clerk, personnel director, who all are paid from the general fund, a 3 percent administration fee, allowed by New Mexico Statute 5-8-4, was also utilized to support operating costs," she wrote.

The 1 percent SGRT

took effect Jan. 1, 1983, with revenue dedicated to the purpose of construction, equipping, acquiring, enlarging, improving and extending the Ruidoso municipal water supply system.

In 2001, the village issued bonds secured by the SGRT to build Grindstone Dam reservoir, a main water source for the village.

The statutorily allowed uses of the SGRT include the payment of principal and interest and expenses related to the SGRT bonds, the funding of any reserves and other accounts in connection to such bonds, refinancing the bonds and to the extent not needed for those purposes, "The improvement of the municipality's water system,"

according to the statement.

As for using impact fee revenue, the statement cited a state statute that allows a 3 percent fee for qualified professionals, but not for ordinary general fund administrative and operating costs.

However Section 52-43 provides that proceeds of a water impact fee can be used to finance or to recoup capital construction costs for water facilities identified in the impact fee capital improvement plan, or to pay for principal or interest on bonds, notes and other obligations to finance those capital improvements of facilities expansions.

Village ordinance Sec. 86-7 and 86-8 provides for interfund transfers to prevent general revenue from underwriting utility or en-

terprise fund costs. The amount transferable is based on a formula.

Lee noted that on June 28 the council received preliminary approval of the 2010-2011 operating budget submitted to DFA, and on Sept. 2 it re-ceived a letter that the balanced budget was approved.

"It is important that the citizens know that the operating budget and all public funds are managed with integrity and in compliance with state law and village ordinance," Lee wrote. "We have made this budget available online and subscribe to full transparency and public review. If at any time, a citizen has a concern or question about how the process works, please feel free to contact us at Village Hall."

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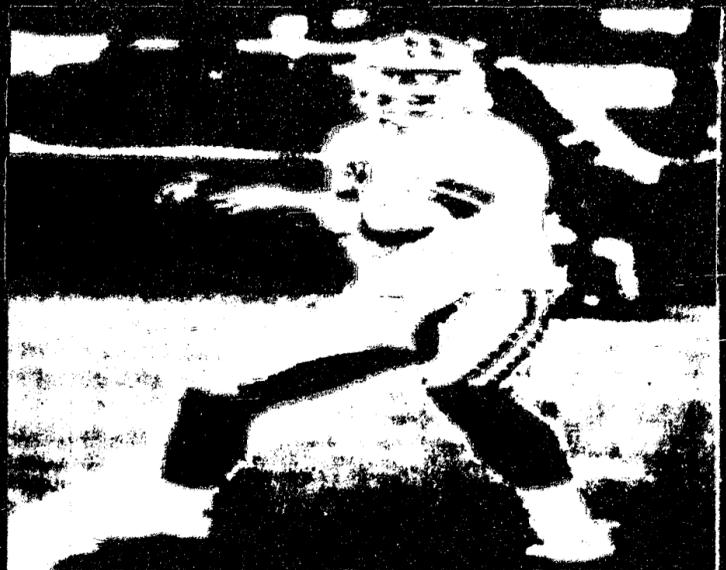


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EDUCATION

County students 'light the fire' at area summits

On Oct. 20, 25 middle school students and 10 adults from around Lincoln County participated in the fourth Light the Fire Youth Summit.

Students from high schools in Ruidoso, Capitan, Carrizozo, and Hondo attended. The mission of the summit was to engage youth, build leadership, develop existing assets, and increase community awareness among the youth of Lincoln County.

A high school summit was held on Oct. 27 with 40 students from Ruidoso, Capitan, Carrizozo, Mesalero, and Hondo.

The summits were a collaborative effort of the Lincoln County Community Health Council, Region IX Education Cooperative Tobacco Use Prevention and Control Program, the Lincoln County DWI Prevention Program, the Department of Health, and the Mescalero TUPAC and Prevention Program.

The Summit consisted of a group session, lunch, and a new challenge-based team competition using parts of the Bonita Park Challenge Course.

After the group session which centered on "Bridging Gaps," students met



with students from their respective schools to plan peer activities and projects for their communities and schools.

Breakout facilitators shared available upcoming service opportunities and encouraged students to choose projects that fit

their interests. It was emphasized that service doesn't have to be a large project, but can be something small done for anyone.

Participants in the summits will be coached during the year to develop skills needed to be positive peer supporters in their schools.

Light the Fire students have already completed some projects and have others in the planning stage. Many students worked with school counselors during Red Ribbon Week at their schools to bring awareness to alcohol and drug abuse. Students have also done peer education

presentations to younger students.

A larger project in the future is the Ruidoso Middle School Light the Fire Activity Day. The 7th and 8th grade LTF students are planning a leadership activity day for selected 6th graders.

Participants, students and adults, welcome the opportunity to share information about the Summit and its ongoing presence in our community.

Civic, church or parent groups wanting to schedule a program on the summit can call the School Based Health Center at 258-4859.

Ruidoso High Schoolers score at Four Corners Drama Festival

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Six drama students from Ruidoso High School were part of the Four Corners Drama Festival in Farmington earlier this month.

The group scored with a number of individual entries in the competition that high school drama instructor Georgene Inks called "a scouting expedition" to see what the festival was like.

Senior Carly Reynolds was awarded a \$1,000 scholarship in the competition. Senior William Wenner also claimed a \$1,000 scholarship.

Juniors Candace Christopher and Mercedes Espinoza captured first place for their acting in a duet competition.

Junior Heather Ryen won third place for costume design. Inks said Ryen might have been penalized

because entries were to have been from published plays and *The Fallen* is so new that it has not yet been published.

"This is the first time RHS drama students have ever participated in this festival and participation was suggested by RHS principal Pauline Staski who knew that this venue would be a good match," Inks said. Ruidoso made a mark and principal Staski's direction was right on."

The students also assisted as co-teachers in festival workshops.

In the past two years the high school's drama team, The Red Feather Theatre Company, attended festivals in Portales. Last year 37 drama students were at the four-day event where the play *Jerry's Café* was presented. The play was written by Ruidoso senior Lindsey Porter.

The year before the play was *Masks, Love and*



With Ruidoso High School drama instructor Georgene Inks left, students (left to right) Carly Reynolds, William Wenner, Heather Ryen, Candace Christopher and Mercedes Espinoza display their awards at the Four Corners Drama Festival.

PHOTO COURTESY LISA WENNER

Pirates, written by senior Hannah Kashmar.

The next Red Feather Theatre Company production classic will be Oscar Wilde's "The Importance of Being Earnest" at the Ruidoso School's Performing Arts Center, on Jan. 14, 15, 21 and 22.

Grade 11 assessment will double as high school exit exam next year

FROM REPORTS

Beginning in the spring of 2011, the grade 11 New Mexico Standards Based Assessment (SBA/High School Graduation Assessment) will be administered as New Mexico's high

school exit exam, announced New Mexico Secretary of Education Designate, Dr. Susanna M. Murphy.

The SBA/HSGA will replace the New Mexico High School Competency Exam (NMHSCE) that has been in use since 1986. The

SBA is currently being used by the New Mexico Public Education Department to assess Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP).

This year's 11th graders will take the SBA in reading, writing, mathematics, science, and social studies. The SBA/HSGA is the state's first high school exit exam to be aligned with New Mexico Content Standards in grades 9 through 12. Students will have three opportunities to pass the SBA/HSGA in high school, once in the spring of their junior year, and in the fall and winter of their senior year. Students leaving high school without

a diploma will be allowed to retake the SBA/HSGA for five years after leaving.

Four versions of the SBA/HSGA will be available. Students may take the test in English and Spanish versions, or Braille and Large Print. Accommodations will also be provided for students with disabilities and English Language Learners.

Students who do not pass the SBA/HSGA will be able to use a portfolio of standards based indicators as an Alternate Demonstration of Competency (ADC). To ensure the ADC meets the rigor of the SBA/HSGA, guidelines are

currently being developed by a state team led by Dr. Stanley Rabinowitz, a nationally recognized expert in assessment, and representatives from New Mexico's public schools, institutions of higher education, career and technical education, and the PED. Throughout the 2010-11 school year, there will be a rollout of further information that will include sample portfolios with scoring guides.

The old high school exit exam, the NMHSCE, was last administered to grade 10 students in spring 2009. Any student who did not pass the NMHSCE will be retested with that test. Students who leave high school without a diploma will be able to retake the NMHSCE for five years after leaving high school. The new SBA/HSGA met approval from the U.S. Department of Education for use as the state's assessment for measuring the adequate yearly progress

(AYP) of schools and districts. It will serve a dual role as a graduation assessment and accountability assessment.

A different set of passing scores from those used for AYP will be established to determine eligibility for a diploma.

Statewide taskforces will be convened this fall and next spring to define performance levels and passing scores that represent the rigor that is fundamental for readiness for college and the workforce. The taskforces will be comprised of representatives from New Mexico's public schools, institutions of higher education, career and technical education, and the PED.

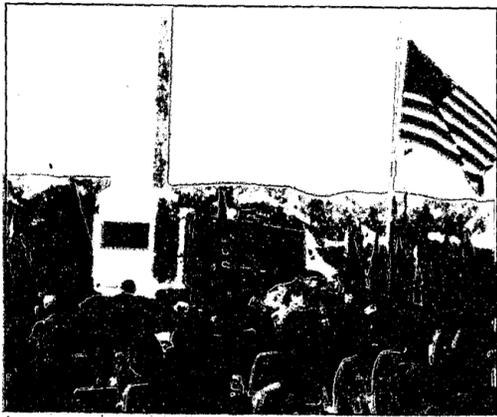
Taskforce members will consider data on the relationship between student scores on the NMHSCE and the SBA and the probability of enrollment in remedial coursework in English and Mathematics in college.

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FILE

Memorial Day was observed at Fort Stanton ceremony this year.

BURIAL

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240 acres that comprises the state monument is in the National Register of Historic Places. Using the cemetery as a public cemetery jeopardizes that designation.

Ashman said the other issue is the Fort Stanton Museum and New Mexico are not in the cemetery business.

"And finally there are huge liability issues involved in burials, and also in caretakership of an active cemetery. It's very different taking care of an historic cemetery than it is to caretaker one that has active burials in it."

The president of the board of regents, Karen Durkovich, said Holt was incorrect in stating the board has closed the cemetery to all future burials.

"The board did limit burials to only those individuals who fall within the criteria established by the document creating the cemetery," Durkovich said. "In so doing we are continuing a moratorium already in existence established by the General Services Department of the State of New Mexico. We will continue to honor burials of deceased Merchant Marines, spouses of Merchant Marines, and people associated with Fort Stanton Hospital before its closure." Holt responded that essentially stops new burials at the cemetery.

"Merchant Marine veterans are those that served in a combat area on active duty between 1941 and 1945. If you do the math on them, there's not too many of them left. It's also going to be open to hospital

ial." Questioned about the often reference of the cemetery as including the word "military," Ashman said that may be incorrect.

"The military part was the German internment camp. I think, what I've heard here, is one or two of the German prisoners passed away when they were there. So they were buried there. So we really have no control. And at that time it wasn't historically designated. Someone granted that variance in the 1940s."

The moratorium was initially put in place in February 2008, said Bill Taylor, the director of the Property Control Division in the state's General Services Division.

"There was a moratorium for these burials and things at the cemetery. We weren't funded for that, said Taylor. "It's a federal process and it wasn't under our jurisdiction. The concern was this is really a federal cemetery and we wanted the feds to kind of take that responsibility for veterans burials because the state's really not funded for that."

Taylor said the crux of the matter is the federal government should pay for military burials.

Local veterans groups over the years had come together to assist in funding interments.

Holt said when the cabinet secretaries of the General Services Department, Department of Veterans Services, Department of Cultural Affairs, Department of Tourism, and the governor's office discussed the burials in 2008, and the decision was made to put the moratorium in place, waivers were allowed to provide for some interments. Several dozen have taken place since then.

Holt said last week's decision was quite a "Veterans Day present" to those who have served their country.

"This closes the cemetery to dependents (spouses) and veterans who have their spouse buried there and a plot reserved for their burial. In addition it reverses letters of authorization from other offices of state government that grant eligibility to veterans and their dependents to be buried at Fort Stanton. Our veterans fought and died to grant to all the freedoms

we enjoy today and this is our state's thanks."

The cemetery has been under the authority of a number of state agencies since the federal government deeded the fort to the state in 1953. Hoyt said in the nearly 12 years he has been involved with Fort Stanton's cemetery the property has been under the control of the Department of Corrections, Department of Veterans Services and now the State Monuments Division.

The cemetery would have celebrated 112 years of continuous operations on Dec. 16. The burial grounds were opened by the U.S. Merchant Marine Tuberculosis Hospital after the fort was closed as an active military post. Today it is part of the Fort Stanton State Monument.

"The cemetery is on the National Register of Historic Places as a Merchant Marine Cemetery," said Durkovich. "Any other contemporary burials could compromise this status. The Museum of New Mexico Board of Regents is charged with protecting Fort Stanton as an historic cultural resource. This duty is reflected in our (Nov. 10) vote."

Ashman said he is sympathetic over the situation and would welcome a solution that addressed the community's wishes. But he added, the current cemetery property is an historic location.

"He (Holt) could make a proposal to the board of regents for something outside the perimeter of the existing historic cemetery. He can make any kind of proposal he wants. If I were advising him, he would be more likely to be successful if he presented a comprehensive plan that relieved the state of any responsibility and all the state had to do was provide a piece of land."

Ashman said the state has ample property, even adjacent to the current cemetery.

Holt said the state had the opportunity several years ago to expand the cemetery at the expense of the federal government.

"The (New Mexico)

Department of Veterans Services started to work to get national grant money from the Department of Veterans Affairs," said Holt. "They spent over \$150,000 on architectural plans. And in 2006, after going back and forth between the state and the feds, the feds granted over \$3 million to expand and upgrade the cemetery at Fort Stanton."

The offer would have doubled the size of the cemetery to 27 acres.

"This new part of the cemetery, the expansion part, would have been entered through the existing cemetery, preserving the historic integrity of that cemetery and we would not bury any other people in the older part of the cemetery. The state turned down the monies from the grant, of which \$1 million was going to be spent to do the restoration of the old (Fort Stanton) administra-

tion building for a museum and for the cemetery offices. I was told by the Department of Veterans Services that they turned down this money because the government in Santa Fe stated it was not a state responsibility to bury veterans."

Holt made a presentation on the cemetery situation to the Lincoln County Commission Tuesday. A resolution to state officials will be considered by the commission next month.

State Rep. Zach Cook (R-Ruidoso) said he has contacted governor-elect Susana Martinez administration about the situation.

"I was disappointed about the board's decision. I'm trying to find out the new governor's position."

Cook said the members of the Museum of New Mexico Board of Regents will likely be changed after the new administration takes office in January.

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Catherine Woods Waldrop
Mrs. Catherine Waldrop joined her husband and friends with her Savior, Jesus Christ, on November 11, 2010. She was surrounded by her family as she departed this world.

Catherine was born in Ardmore, Oklahoma on August 23, 1915 to Nathan Jefferson and Jewel Thomas Woods. She completed her high school education in Ardmore and began training as a nurse. It was during this time that she met her future husband, Barney Lawrence Waldrop. They were married on July 6, 1934. They lived in Oklahoma until World War II, when Barney was called to active duty. After the war, Barney and Catherine moved to Roswell, New Mexico and began to work and save to start their own furniture business. Their dreams were realized in 1952 when they opened the first Miller-Waldrop furniture store in Lovington, NM. Their business grew and expanded to other cities, most notably, Hobbs and Roswell.

After their retirement, Barney and Catherine moved to Ruidoso, a place they had always loved. They were instrumental in beginning the Golden Age club in Ruidoso in the early 1970s. Traveling was an important part of their retirement plans, and they traveled extensively as long as they were able. Catherine's favorite destination was always Hawaii.

Barney and Catherine were personable, caring people who made friends wherever they went. They were always involved in various ministries of the church. Catherine loved little children and taught Sunday school to nursery age children for many years. They were members of the First Baptist Church of Ruidoso.

Catherine is predeceased by her parents, brother, sister, and husband. She is survived by her four children and their spouses: Bill and Eileen Waldrop of Hobbs, Wanda and Mike McCormick of Las Cruces, Jeanne and Chuck Sears of Denton, Texas, and Mark and Mary Waldrop of Ruidoso. She is also survived by her sister, Joyce Benson, 19 grandchildren, 22 great grandchildren, and numerous friends.

Catherine leaves behind a legacy of love. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, and friend. She will be greatly missed. Memorials may be sent to Meals on Wheels, c/o Ruidoso Senior Center, 393 Highway 70 East, Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346.

Visitation will be Sunday, November 14, at LaGrone Funeral Chapel from 2:00 PM until 4:00 PM with the funeral service on Monday, November 15, at 2:00 PM in the First Baptist Church of Ruidoso with burial to follow at Forest Lawn Cemetery.

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Two charged following High Score burglary

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Two teens were nabbed minutes after a Nov. 11 burglary at Ruidoso video gaming retailer where an estimated \$3,000 in merchandise was taken.

Joshua Thompson, 18, was charged with commercial burglary, felony larceny, two counts of conspiracy, contributing to the delinquency of a minor and criminal damage to property. All the charges are felonies except for criminal damage to property. Todd D. Depalma, 17, was charged with commercial burglary, felony larceny, two counts of conspiracy, criminal damage to

property, and underage drinking. Ruidoso police received a call of two people seen running from High Score at 1129 Mechem Drive. The pair had gotten into a car and took off southbound on Mechem Drive. Police were able to find a car that matched the description provided by the caller on White Mountain Drive. The officer who pulled the car over noticed several guitars, video games and a video console in the back seat.

Thompson, the driver, had blood on his left hand. He told the officer that he had gotten into a confrontation at the Ruidoso Bowling Center.

Hearing on the police radio that an officer at High Score had



Joshua Thompson



Todd D. Depalma

found blood inside the business, Thompson allegedly told police that he burglarized the store. He said after a confrontation with a part-owner of High Score he was angry and spontaneously decided to target the shop.

A check with the bowling cen-

ter confirmed there had been a confrontation.

Depalma told police that "they" committed the burglary, but he remained in the car during the break in. Police said Depalma refused to name who "they" were. The officer also noted Depalma's

speech was slurred and he smelled of an alcohol beverage. Questioned by the officer, he allegedly admitted he had been drinking.

During an interview, Thompson admitted to the burglary with Depalma. Thompson had bond set at \$26,000 and was committed to the Lincoln County Detention Center by a magistrate judge. A preliminary hearing was scheduled for Nov. 23. Depalma was released to his parents on the recommendation of a juvenile probation officer.

In addition to the five guitars and an unknown number of video games taken from High Score, a glass door and frame, valued at \$999, was damaged.

RUIDOSO POLICE BRIEFS

Oct. 16

No time provided - The second of two brothers allegedly involved in a July 12 incident at The Quarters, 2535 Sudderth Drive, had a citation issued by Ruidoso police for misdemeanor battery.

Jared Bolden, 22, of Ruidoso Downs, was ordered to appear in magistrate court.

His brother, Dustin Bolden, 25, of Hobbs, was issued a similar citation on Sept. 8.

Another man said he had been hit in the back of the head.

Oct. 27

8:20 a.m. - A water bottle that apparently contained vodka created issues for three students at Ruidoso High School.

Isaac R. Stevens, 18, of Mescalero, admitted he had consumed a small amount of the vodka. He tested positive for consumption of alcohol, was turned over to a parent and was referred to the Juvenile Probation Office.

Samuel Blade Mitchell, 15, of Ruidoso received a juvenile citation after he allegedly told an officer he had brought the water bottle that was three-quarters filled with vodka to school. He tested negative for alcohol consumption.

Jacoby I. Chavez, 17, of Mescalero admitted giving the bottle to another student to drink. Chavez tested negative for alcohol consumption.

Oct. 28

8:39 a.m. - An officer saw several students leave

the Ruidoso High School parking lot in a vehicle. When they returned it was thought they might have smoked marijuana.

A search of the vehicle turned up a pipe.

Lorenzo De La Torre, 16, of Ruidoso had a possession of drug paraphernalia referral to the Juvenile Probation Office. A parent picked him up from school.

Nov. 3

No time provided - An officer was notified that on Oct. 27 a student had punched another in the back of the head at Ruidoso High School.

The two were reportedly picking on each other about 7:45 a.m. The student who allegedly punched the other was suspended from school for three days.

Nov. 4

8:41 a.m. - A student at Ruidoso High School was caught with a green leafy substance in a plastic bag.

Steven Chino, 18, of Ruidoso Downs said he had purchased the item from another student. The material tested positive for marijuana.

Chino was cited for possession of less than one ounce of marijuana and referred to the Juvenile Probation Office.

8:48 a.m. - A student at Ruidoso High School consented to a search of his vehicle after a teacher believed he smelled of marijuana. Several marijuana seeds and rolling papers were found in the vehicle.

Jermaine M. Vigil, 17, of San Patricio was referred to juvenile probation offi-

cial on allegations of possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

1:40 p.m. - A Ruidoso High School was cited for alleged possession a small amount of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Cameron Ray Jordan, 17, of Ruidoso was suspended from school and referred to the Juvenile Probation Office.

Nov. 7

1:30 a.m. - Police were dispatched to the Diamond Shamrock, 1901 Sudderth Drive, for an audible alarm.

Rocks had been thrown through the rear door window at the convenience store.

8:33 a.m. - An officer went to A Secure Storage, 200 Resort Drive, for a breaking and entering.

A window at the indoor storage facility had been broken. A DVD player, Video games, a computer monitor, laptop computer and a pistol were taken. The items were valued at \$3,300. An alarm had been activated but was not triggered by the break in.

2:31 p.m. - Officers responded to a residence in the 200 block of Fir Drive on a report of a violent domestic disturbance.

A woman said there had been an argument and she was pushed, causing her to fall. The man at the location, Justin Kyle Jones, 28, of Ruidoso, said the woman attacked him.

Police determined Jones was the primary aggressor. He was arrested and taken to the Lincoln County Detention Center.

7:18 p.m. - A report of a runaway 15-year-old was provided to police. The girl was possibly heading to Roswell where she was said

to be on probation.

The juvenile was entered into the National Crime Information Center database.

Nov. 8

9:10 a.m. - Graffiti was found on the backside of River Crossing of Ruidoso, 1800 Sudderth Drive.

A managing property agent said the graffiti activity had to have been done within the past week.

9:53 p.m. - Police were notified of a man drilling into a U.S. Postal Service cluster box in the 100 block of Upper Terrace Drive.

When an officer arrived the person was gone. There was drilling damage to one of the mailboxes though it had not been opened. The local post office was notified.

Nov. 9

4:36 p.m. - Officers were dispatched to the 100 block of Lower Terrace Drive for a reported domestic violence event inside a SUV.

Shane Willis, 43, of Ruidoso said was been an argument between him and a woman, the woman threatened him, and said she had put out a contract on him. He admitted striking the woman in the face.

The woman said she was punched in the face two times.

Willis was charged with battery against a household member and taken to the Lincoln County Detention Center.

Nov. 10

2:22 p.m. - Police and medical responders were sent to a residence in the 200 block of Ridge Road for an unresponsive 65-year-old man. The New Mexico Office of Medical Investigator was also called in for the unattended death.



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The newly renovated Ruidoso Convention Center lobby was decorated for the Ruidoso Valley Greeters Christmas Jubilee taking place last weekend.

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Santa Fe, after she had a flat tire and slid through the door moments after the session began.

In other sections of the manager's report, Morris said the village received more than 200 applications for short-term rental registration.

"I signed 90 today and I'm happy with that," he said.

The applications are necessary to comply with the village new rules on short-term rentals to ensure that gross receipts taxes are paid and premises are inspected for fire safety.

"In addition, the staff has been fielding a number of calls from outside the area after the notification went out in the water bills," he said. "They were directed to the village website for the ordinance and application."

For notification purposes connected to the compliance deadline of March 10, 2011, staff also included notices in upcoming utility

bills, issued public service announcements to local media, hand-delivered applications to known rental agencies and placed the ordinance and application on the web page, he said.

Forty-five new business registered with the village clerk's office during September, according to the manager's report.

The Finance Department developed a firm schedule for monthly bank account reconciliations, a previous shortcoming criticized in several audits.

The first day of the month, a staff member begins the reconciliation and Finance Director Nancy Klingman initiates her review of the financial statements. She and Lee sign off in line with internal controls. Another staffer ensures all journal entries are entered into the system. The entire finance department meets and reviews the financials and makes any corrections. The financial statements then are printed and given to each department. Staff responds to any concerns of department heads. The process takes about two weeks. Her goal is to reduce

that time period, Klingman noted in the report.

Temporary employee Karen Bushnell took over the task of reconciling project financials under the Federal Emergency Management Agency connected to the July 2008 flood.

"This is very time consuming, as she is finding incomplete records or records out of sequence," the report states. She's working with the auditors on any FEMA questions.

The auditors performing two fiscal year audits for the village this year will be in village hall the entire month of November and most of December to complete the audits on schedule.

Village Fire Chief Tom Gavin was selected by the National Fire Protection Association from many nominations throughout the country to serve as a primary staff member to a seven-member technical committee on Wildfire Suppression Professional Qualifications.

Committee nominations are competitive and the applicants nominated are considered to be technical experts.

Republican Caucus elects leadership team

ALBUQUERQUE —The House Republican Caucus held their leadership elections Saturday. Thomas Taylor of District 1, Keith Gardner of District 66 and Anna Crook of District 64 were re-elected as Leader, Whip and Caucus Chair for their respective caucus.

"I am again honored and humbled to lead the caucus for another two years" said Taylor. "The state needs to get its fiscal house in order

and our caucus is resolute in doing just that."

The Republicans picked up eight seats on Nov. 2, signaling a shift in the dynamic of the House Chamber. The house has 37 Democrats and 33 Republicans.

"The people of New Mexico voted to change course and we will do what the voters have asked us to do, which is to put New Mexico back on the right

track," said Gardner, entering his second term as Republican Whip.

The Department of Finance and Administration announced Wednesday that the state's deficit in fiscal year 2011-2012 doubled from earlier projections to nearly \$450 million.

The legislative session begins Jan. 18; the budget is again expected to be the top priority.

George Albert Westall

George Albert Westall of Ruidoso passed from this life to be with his father in heaven on November 13th, 2010.

George was born on May 1st, 1913 in Sumner, Illinois to Glen and Gladys (Griggs) Westall. George left Illinois with his parents at age five. The family moved 19 times in one year following the oil boom to such towns as Ranger, Hogtown, Breckenridge, Brady, and Borger, Texas. At the age of nine George was run over by a model "T" in Sayer, Oklahoma, fortunately the car was high enough that it passed over him and luckily he was left with only minor injuries. In 1924, George moved to Artesia and in 1926 to Maljamar.

George attended high school in Lovington, as a senior he was given an extra assignment driving the school bus daily from Maljamar to Lovington. George was a good student and a gifted athlete. He was the boxing champion in his weight class, a champion tennis player and track runner, he ran the 100 yard dash in 9.9 seconds beating the Arizona State Champion. He graduated in 1931 from Lovington High School and received a full scholarship to Rice University for athletics and academics. However, due to the depression, he was not able to take advantage of this opportunity. He and a close friend, Cecil Lovo, started a trapping business near Maljamar. The two started with ten traps which eventually became two-hundred; selling furs for several years to survive the depression. George went to work for Maljamar Oil Company in 1933. While working for the company, he met a beautiful young lady, Willah Mae "Billie" Joy. On July 10th, 1936 they were married in Carlsbad, NM.

George was known to be a very gifted water dowser. While in Maljamar, he and three other partners started the Caprock Water Company, which is still in business today. In 1947, Caprock Water purchased two small distribution companies in Ruidoso. One of those services was purchased from Bill Hart and the other from C.C. Chase. George and Billie moved to Ruidoso in March 1947, and started the Ruidoso Water Company. In 1948 the water company purchased the Ruidoso Gas Company. In 1949, the water company was sold to the City of Ruidoso with George retaining the gas company. In 1951, the gas company was sold to Joe Hawkins. George and Billie built and operated the Ruidoso Dairy Queen from 1953 to 1976. George also partnered with James Capps in 1958 to build a drive-in movie theatre across from the Ruidoso Downs Race Track, he had several other businesses through the years.

George and Billie became members of the First Baptist Church in 1947 and remained members until their deaths (all the members of the First Baptist Church were family to George and Billie). He became a deacon for the First Baptist Church in 1949. George and Billie celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary at the Inn of the Mountain Gods on July 10th, 2006. The couple felt very blessed to live out their days in Ruidoso and always spoke fondly of the town.

The family would like to thank the many caregivers who assisted George over the past months, especially his granddaughter Natalia, Traci Williams, Maria Young, Jane Morrison and Judy Ullate. The family would like to request memorial donations be made to the First Baptist Church, or to a church or charity of your choice.



Funeral services for Mr. Westall will be held on Friday, November 19th at 10:30 AM in the First Baptist Church, 270 Country Club Drive, Ruidoso with burial to follow at Forest Lawn Cemetery. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.lagroneruidoso.com.

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COURTESY DAVID TREMBLAY

While doing his chores Monday morning, photographer David Tremblay was pleased to find three mature elk cows and two yearlings on his property. After admiring them for a few minutes, he returned to his work, but soon heard loud banging and crying. He turned to find one of the yearlings misjudged the fence and was hung up mid-torso. The little guy seesawed around for a minute or so before making it the rest of the way over to rejoin his mother, a little bit wiser and not so fond of fences.

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St. Mikes runs over Ruidoso

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Ruidoso knew what to expect, but it didn't help as St. Michaels eliminated Ruidoso from the 3AAA football playoffs, 66-21, Saturday.

"We knew going in to it they are pretty big and pretty fast," Ruidoso coach Keif Johnson said. They've got a power running game. They've got a big fullback they like to run behind and a decent sized line that opens up the holes for them."

The Horsemen started the game recovering an on-side kick and then scoring on a 5 yard run by Russell Disch three plays later.

"They do a good job of that," Johnson said of the on-side kick. "They just line-drive the ball at one of the linemen and you had better be able to move like in the Matrix."

The ball bounced off a Warrior's chest right back into a Horsemen's hands.

Warrior Brandon Flack evened the score at 7 each with a 10-yard touchdown run after St. Michaels got called for having 12 men on the field on a 4th down punt by the Warriors. The penalty let Ruidoso keep the ball and get the score.

The Horsemen scored their second touchdown on a Wildcat formation with running back George Dominguez taking the snap and running the ball in to the end zone.

Michael Lamb scored a touchdown for St. Michaels on a 5-yard run in the second quarter, following a Ruidoso punt and a combination of Horsemen runs and Ruidoso penalties allowed them to march down the field.

Ruidoso jumped off sides on a third down and then Daniel Salazar was called for leading with his helmet when making a tackle, a 10-yard penalty.

"Daniel Salazar had a big hit on the running back," Johnson said. "It was a bone crushing hit."

Down 21-7, Ruidoso mounted a drive with Gage Whipple running for 5 yards and then 29 yards and Jesse Scariffoti completing a pass to Julian Lopez that got the Warriors to the St. Michaels' 15-yard line.

Then it all went south for the Warriors. Needing just six inches for the 1st down, Scariffoti fumbled the snap for a loss then tried to fool the Horsemen with a pass.

"Then, I'll blame myself, we call a power pass instead of just powering it in there," Johnson said. "We were trying to catch them sleeping and get the big play instead of going for the first down. That's not being conservative enough. My fault. Should have just kept powering it in there."

Justin Smith was not fooled, as he intercepted the ball and ran 90-yards the other way to give the Horsemen a 28-7 lead.

Ruidoso got right back up and back into the game when Scariffoti handed the ball to Flack on a draw at mid-field and Flack raced 50 yards up the middle for the score to make it 28-14.

As time expired in the first half, St. Michaels added a 40-yard field goal to make the score 31-14.

The Horsemen took the second half kick off and showed the Warriors what they were going to have to contend with for the rest of the game. The Horsemen ran the ball eleven times with Disch, Dominguez, Michael Lamb and quarterback Michael Wiegel sharing the chore. Wiegel finished off the drive with a 7-yard run.

"Their ground game was tough," Johnson said. "They just kept pounding it in there for five or six yards at a

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LADY WARRIORS HONORED



COURTESY PHOTO

Ruidoso Lady Warrior Soccer players receiving special recognition for their efforts on the field during the 2010 season were, l-r Lorely Enriquez for best Offense, Head Coach Darien Ross, Most Valuable Player Jackie Ortega, Assistant Coach Kelly Brown, Jocelyn Hernandez for best Defense overall. The awards were presented at the Ruidoso High School cafeteria Sunday during the annual Soccer banquet. See page 2B for more honors for the Lady Warriors.

Mistakes cost Lady Warriors

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"We actually were up on them by seven points and they came back on us with kills," Coach Mandy Padilla said. "They have two of the best hitters in the state."

Hatch caught up and beat Ruidoso to the 27 point maximum for a 27-25 win.

"In the second game we just folded," Padilla said. "We made some service errors and once we got the momentum going little errors took the momentum away."

Hatch won the second contest 25-21.

Padilla said hanging

with Hatch they way they did demonstrated to the girls they belonged at the tournament.

"It is anybody's ball game at the tournament.

Next up was a game against Santa Fe Indian School.

"The girls played well in that game," Padilla said.

The Lady Warriors won those two games in identical 25-19 scores.

Then came the third match of the day, necessitated by the loss to Hatch. Ruidoso had to play Shiprock.

"Besides two sophomores, no one really showed up to play," Padilla said. "As a coach I really hate to say that. We had a

really good year. The girls could have beaten them."

Shiprock won in four games 25-22, 25-21, 24-26, 25-22.

"I don't even know how many errors we made," Padilla said. "We made 14 service errors. That's 14 easy points we gave them."

"That's not the team I hoped would show up that night to play Shiprock," she said.

Padilla said playing Shiprock was no different than playing Santa Fe Indian.

Padilla said before the tournament that the team that made the fewest mistakes would win.

"They made fewer mistakes than we did," Padilla

said. "Errors on ourselves, like tipping the ball out of bounds or hitting the ball out of bounds, passing the ball into the net, I stopped marking in the second game and we were already at double digits in errors."

Padilla's disappointment comes from the girls not reaching their potential.

"It was a hard loss for us when we know they had to potential to go further," she said. "Especially when we see Portales make it to the last game and we have beaten them before and almost beat them the first time."

"But, at the State level, it's who comes to play," she said.

Sibling swimmers compete

Ruidoso High Altitude Aquatics swimmers Cisco Bob III and Irene Bob represented the team at a swim meet in El Paso on October 8, 2010.

Irene competed in six events and had four personal bests. Irene swam personal bests in the 100 Individual Medley with a time of 1:14.63 and placed 4th, in the 50 Free with a time of 29.84, in the 50 Back with a time of 35.38 and placing 5th, and in the 50 Breast with a time of 42.08 and placed 4th.

Cisco competed in eight events and had three personal best. Cisco did really well in the 100 Butterfly with a time of 1:17.12 and placed second. Cisco placed first in the 200 Free, 50 Free, and 100 Free, and second in the 50 Back.

Irene and Cisco also attended the Spooktacular



meet on Oct. 30, in Albuquerque.

They both swam the 100 Butterfly and the 100 Individual Medley. Irene swam a personal best in the 100 Butterfly with a time of 1:14.15 and placed first. Cisco placed first in both the 100 Butterfly and the 50 Freestyle.

Irene also swam the 50

Free and placed 5th. She also swam the 200 Breaststroke for the first time and made a state qualifying time of 3:08.05.

Cisco swam the 500 Freestyle for the first time and swam a time of 6:16.15. Cisco has made a state qualifying time in all events he has swam this short course season.

Chickie Blu, Dun Avatar top hopefuls in Saturday's Zia Park main event

HOBBS - Chickie Blu, fresh from a third-place finish in the Senorita Futurity, and the comebacking Dun Avatar take on a full field of promising 2-year-olds over 350 yards in the featured \$30,200 fifth race on Saturday afternoon at Zia Park.

First post time for the 11-race card is 12:15 p.m. Sunday's program features the leading 870-yard runners in the Southwest racing in the King Rick Rack Stakes.

Mike Abraham and James McClintic's Chickie Blu earned her stakes credentials with her third-place finish against New Mexico-bred fillies in the Senorita Futurity at The Downs at Albuquerque.

The Jamie Zamora-

trained filly earned 3-1 favoritism in the Senorita after dominating her trial by more than one length.

Chris Zamora rides Chickie Blu with the inside post position.

Anwar Elias' Dun Avatar makes his comeback from an extended lay-off in the feature. He won his maiden at first asking and then was fourth in the New Mexican Spring Futurity on April 11 before being sidelined.

David Pinon gets the riding assignment on Dun Avatar with the second post position.

While Chickie Blu and Dun Avatar are proven stakes horses, Quatro Menudos and Talley's First Shake could be headed that direction after impressive

victories in their most recent starts.

Bill McCarty and Paul Wood's Quatro Menudos returns to action after a 5-month layoff. The gelding impressed in his sole start with a 1-length score at Ruidoso Downs. He easily handled that field with a superb :15.161 time for the 300 yards.

Talley's First Shake won his maiden in his second start with promising style. After disappointing in his career debut at Ruidoso Downs and finishing ninth, he surprised at Zia Park. The Ben Torres-trained gelding was overlooked at nearly 30-1 odds on October 25 and came up with a big effort to win by nearly two lengths over 400 yards.

ALL DISTRICT PLAYERS



COURTESY PHOTO

Six Ruidoso Lady Warriors Soccer players were recognized for earning All District honors at Sunday's Soccer Banquet. Honored were, l-r, coach Darien Ross, Jackie Ortega All District 1st Team Midfielder, Lorely Enriquez All District 2nd Team Forward, Staci Mitchell All District 1st Team Defense, Daniella Puente All District Honorable Mention Goal Keeper, Jocelyn Hernandez All District 2nd Team Defense, Desiree Chavez All District 2nd Team Midfielder and assistant coach Kelly Brown.

RUN

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time."

Once again, Ruidoso responded immediately. Forest Sanchez took the kickoff, ran the starburst play and, hiding the ball on his hip, nonchalantly sauntered around the end of the line before dashing off down the field for the 70 yard touchdown return.

"He ran the starburst the way it is supposed to be run," Johnson said. "He hid the ball on his hip and they didn't even know he had the ball. It was awesome."

"We've run that since the early '80s when Cooper Henderson was here," Johnson said. "That was run just as well as any of the other teams have ran it."

"That got us back in the game," Johnson said.

Scarifiotti's point after made the score 38-21.

Ruidoso then tried an on-side kick, which backfired when the ball bounced into the hands of Salomon Martinez, who ran it down to the 28-yard line.

"The ball just bounced to the right guy and he took it around the edge and gets another real good field position," Johnson said. "That's kind of the way the game went," Johnson said. "The ball didn't bounce our way."

Lamb finished off the drive with a 1-yard touchdown run.

St. Michaels then pulled another on-side kick, which they recovered.

Once again, Lamb scored on a 1-yard touchdown to make the score 52-21.

That was the score at the end of the 3rd quarter.

St. Michaels then gave up the ball without scoring for the only time in the game when Santo Coppola attempted a 50-yard field goal that missed.

They scored anyway on

Ruidoso's first play from scrimmage as Disch took the ball away from Whipple and ran it into the end zone to give the Horsemen a 59-21 lead. That was Whipple's only fumble of the year.

With the clock running for the remainder of the 4th period, St. Michaels added another touchdown with a Josh Carrasco touchdown.

Johnson said it is always sad for the seniors when the season ends without winning a title, but said there was a lot for the players to be proud of in the game and the season.

"Tanner Chavez came back from having surgery three weeks ago and showed a lot of heart to come back in three weeks after surgery," Johnson said. "He is one of our big defensive tackles."

St. Michaels travels to Lovington to take on the No.1 seeded Wildcats next weekend.

"They are going to be feeling it like we are feeling it," Johnson said. "There was a lot of big hitting going after the ball carrier."

Johnson said the St. Michaels running attack could have some success against the Wildcat defense.

"You want to root for your own District team to do well," Johnson said.

Ruidoso Warriors

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- Tuesday, November 30 Cobre at Ruidoso at 7 p.m.
- Friday, December 3 Hatch at Ruidoso at 7 p.m.
- Saturday, December 4 Ruidoso at Tularosa at 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, December 7 Artesia High School at Ruidoso at 7 p.m.
- Thursday, December 9 Ruidoso at Sun Devil V Tourney at 2:33 p.m.
- Friday, December 17 Ruidoso at Artesia High School at 7 p.m.
- Saturday, December 18 Ruidoso at Hatch at 7:30 p.m.
- Thursday, December 30 Ruidoso at Cobre at 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, January 4 Ruidoso at Socorro at 7 p.m.
- Friday, January 7 Dexter V vs Ruidoso at Ruidoso at 7 p.m.
- Saturday, January 8 Goddard High School at Ruidoso at 3 p.m.
- Tuesday, January 11 Ruidoso at Hot Springs at 7 p.m.
- Thursday, January 13 Ruidoso at Goddard High School at 7 p.m.
- Saturday, January 15 Hot Springs at Ruidoso at 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, January 18 Ruidoso at Dexter at 2:53 p.m.
- Friday, January 21 Ruidoso at West Las Vegas at 6 p.m.
- Saturday, January 22 Ruidoso at Roswell at 7 p.m.
- Friday, January 28 Ruidoso at Lovington at 7 p.m.
- Saturday, January 29 NMMI V at Ruidoso at 6:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, February 1 Roswell at Ruidoso at 7 p.m.
- Friday, February 4 Portales at Ruidoso at 7 p.m.
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- Friday, January 14 Ruidoso at Tularosa High School at 7 p.m.
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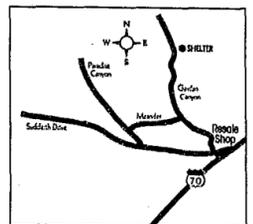
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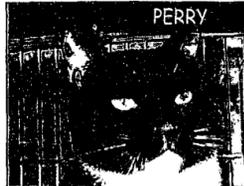
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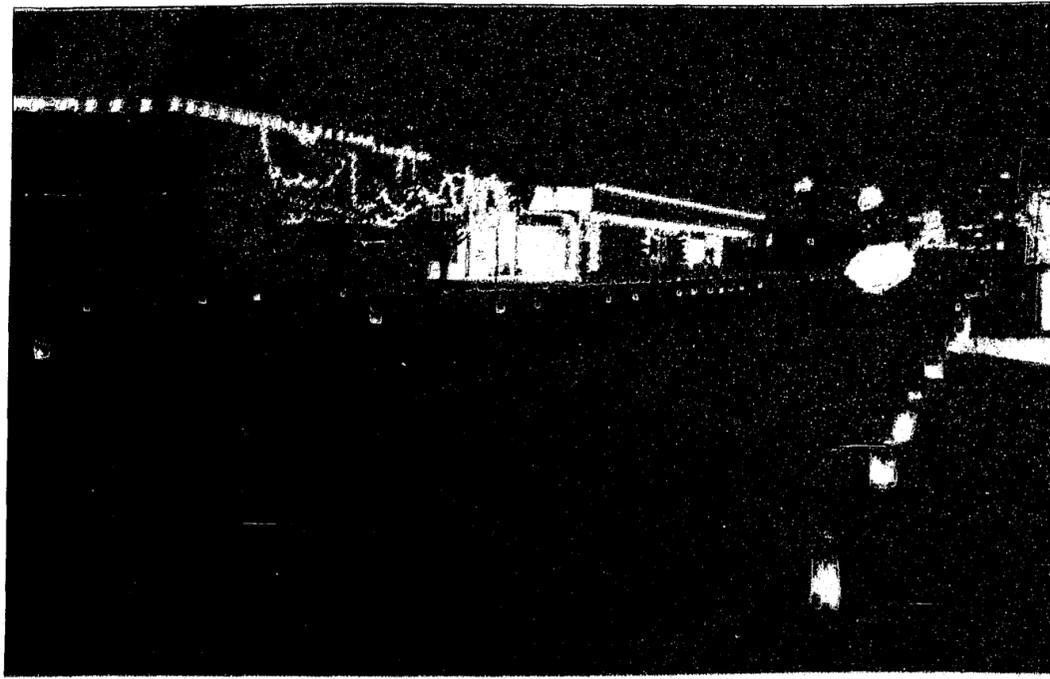
For more than 18 years, Carrizozo volunteers have been carrying on the tradition of setting out luminarias around town on Christmas Eve.

The project takes several long days of work starting with folding the bags, filling with sand and a candle and storing the 5,000-plus luminarias until Dec. 24.

This year the project starts at 9 a.m., Dec. 11, at the main fire station on Airport Road. Previous years have seen as many as 50 volunteers of all ages gather to enjoy doughnuts and coffee, some good old-fashioned visiting and a morning of getting the luminarias built.

Several flatbed trailers, donated by volunteers, will be filled with the finished product. About noon, the group stops to enjoy burgers, soft drinks, and the reward of a job well done, one more year.

The next event to celebrate the holidays is Wednesday, Dec. 15, at 6 p.m. when the youth groups from AWANA and Tic Tac go caroling.



Luminarias, the real kind with sand and candles, are a traditional sight in downtown Carrizozo during the holidays.

On Dec. 18, Santa arrives in town waving from the back of a fire truck. The Carrizozo Volunteer Fire Department invites all the children to meet him in Spencer Park where he gives them traditional bags of fruit, hard candy and nuts and stuffed

toy. This takes place after Santa visits elderly shut-ins and leaves them a gift.

The annual Community Cantata at Trinity Methodist Church is slated for 3 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 19. Musicians and songsters from the area join to pre-

sent a lyrical celebration of the Christmas season.

The annual Christmas Lighting Contest sponsored by the Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce will again be offered to residences and business in town. The top three homes will be awarded gift certificates as will

one business selected by the judges. The judges will be people from out of town, volunteers staying at a local motel on the night of the judging, Wednesday, Dec. 22. Awards will be presented at the January chamber meeting.

Christmas Eve day

luminaria volunteers will meet again at the fire station at 9 a.m. and begin the process of lining the main thoroughfares of Carrizozo with luminarias. The group will be fed lunch at noon and at 1 p.m., the lighting of the candles in the bags will begin.

Christmas Eve services are to be held at the Episcopal Church and Santa Rita Catholic churches.

Christmas Day dinner starts at 12:30 p.m. at the Assembly of God Church for all those that would like to celebrate. Meat will be provided and guests are asked to bring a dish as they enjoy the blessings of this holiday.

Carrizozo invites one and all to come join in any or all of the "small town" fun and become an active part in the Christmas holiday.

For more information about these events, call the Chamber at 575-648-2732 or Judy Fitz at 575-648-2514.

To see last year's luminaria effort in two phases, visit www.youtube.com and put DesertDirk Carrizozo Luminarias in a search.

Capitan Public Library

December calendar

Saturday, December 4

The annual Holiday Bazaar will begin at 8:00 a.m. Come early for the best selection. This year will find many of the old favorites in addition to some exciting new creations. Volunteers have been busy for months getting ready for this event.

You will certainly be pleased to find special gifts for friends and family.

Also available will be See's Candy and delicious baked goods.

Saturday, December 11

Santa will be in town! Come and participate in the annual Cowboy Santa Parade.

Entry forms will be available at the Library and the Capitan Chamber. This parade is non motorized so get out your wagons and horses, your goats and dogs, your kids and plan to participate in this special event.

The parade will begin at the west end of Capitan at 12:30 p.m. and proceed east on Smokey Bear Blvd. arriving at the Library at approximately 1:00 p.m. Santa will visit with the little children and hand out gift bags.

Cindy Foglesong and students will provide musical entertainment. Refreshments will be provided for all.

Wednesday, December 15

A representative from New Mexico Aging and Long Term Services will be available to assist seniors with making smart decisions on selecting a Medicare part D prescription coverage plan.

Call for an appointment or come to the library. This service will begin at 11:30 a.m.

Library closures

The Library will be closed on the following dates:

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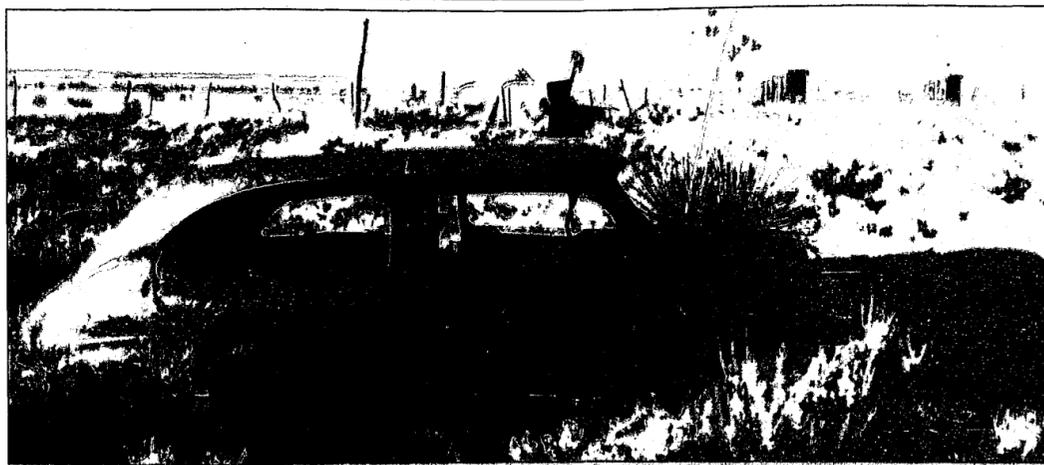
December 23

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COURTESY LANE CARTER/CAPITAN FFA CHAPTER REPORTER

Capitan FFA first-year member Wade Stearns, left, earned a new FFA jacket from Chapter President J'nae Wood for being the high selling chapter member in the meat sales earlier this fall. Wood challenge Stearns to a "race" for the top seller position. Wood agreed to buy his FFA jacket if he won and he did, "by a landslide." He was presented the jacket at a Capitan FFA Thanksgiving dinner meeting Nov. 16. FFA State officer Marshal Wilson, Carrizozo FFA, visited the school that day, speaking to students about "making choices."



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Music To Their Ears

Whether it's an audiophile who spends his evenings enjoying LPs or the commuter who sneaks in a podcast on his way to work, without the right headphones, it's all just noise

By Greg Scoble | **CTW Features**

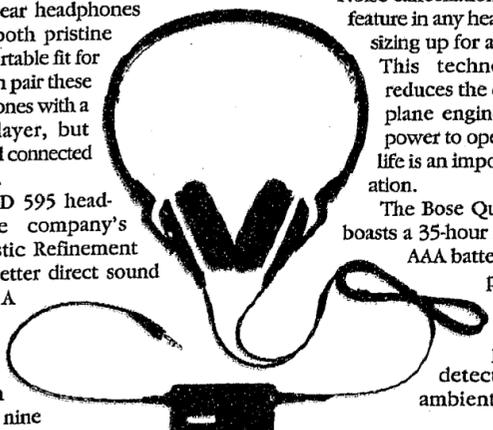
At first glance, you wouldn't think there's much to talk about with headphones. One end into your music player, the other into the ear, right? Well, not quite. If you have frequent travelers, teens or music maniacs on your holiday shopping list, you can amp up their audio experience with some higher-tech headphones than what they'll get packaged with their iPod.

You can break down the headphone universe into three basic groups. Ear buds are the most common form of headphone, the ones you'll get free with your digital music player. They're lightweight, low-cost and fairly unobtrusive, but they aren't always up to the job of providing the best sound quality. A variant of the ear bud, the in-ear headphone, often delivers superior sound quality because they're inserted deeper into the ear canal. These headphones are often coated with a soft fabric or removable rubber sleeve that you can swap out as it ages.

An over-the-ear headphone (sometimes referred to as an "on-ear" or "ear cup" headphone) completely encloses your ears. This presents an obvious benefit: It crowds out surrounding noise. These headphones also are higher-end, delivering richer sounds and a deeper bass than ear buds. They also tend to feature noise-cancellation technology, which uses a combination of physical material and digital technology to dampen any ambient noise around you while preserving the sound of your music. The downside: They're not as portable as your other options, and they're pricier.

If high fidelity is their desire, they'll need a pair of over-the-ear headphones that can deliver both pristine sound and a comfortable fit for hours. Listeners can pair these audiophile headphones with a common MP3 player, but they're better served connected to an A/V receiver.

Sennheiser's HD 595 headphones use the company's Ergonomic Acoustic Refinement (EAR) design to better direct sound toward your ear. A leatherette headband and velour ear pads give the HD 595 a soft touch during use and its nine



foot cable lets you enjoy a thunderous movie night from the couch without waking the kids. Price: \$329, sennheiserusa.com for dealers

Not every music lover appreciates Dr. Dre, but they're sure to like his Studio Beats headphones from Monster Cable. They deliver noise cancellation through the company's "powered isolation" technology via a pair of AAA batteries. Plus they offer a digital amplifier and a scratch resistant finish. Price: \$349, beatsbydre.com for dealers

For the Commuter

Trekking back and forth on a train or bus requires a set of headphones that are highly portable and can drown out those around you without exploding your eardrum. Headphones with Bluetooth technology can establish a wireless connection with a music player (provided it supports Bluetooth) so listeners won't get tangled up with wire as they travel.

Jaybird's Freedom (JB200) is a water-resistant Bluetooth headphone that features a sturdy headband for keeping ear buds in place while you hustle to get out of the rain. There's also a built-in microphone, so it can double as a wireless earpiece for your cell phone when not streaming your tunes. It features noise cancellation and has a 4-hour battery life. Price: \$129, jaybirdgear.com for dealers

If you're on a tighter budget, in-ear headphones are a good alternative - they're lightweight and tend to stay put as you walk. The Klipsch Image S4 doesn't have Bluetooth but does provide noise cancellation and flexible oval ear tips (which are washable and available in three sizes). Price: \$99, klipsch.com for dealers

Play Like a Pro

Noise cancellation is a must-have feature in any headphone you're sizing up for a frequent flyer. This technology greatly reduces the drone of an airplane engine but requires power to operate, so battery life is an important consideration.

The Bose QuietComfort 15 boasts a 35-hour life on a single AAA battery, with microphones inside and outside of the headphones to detect and reduce ambient noise. It

employs new ear cushion material that the company says also contributes to blunting noise. It ships with a two-prong airline adapter, so you won't be stuck with the crummy headphones that many airlines make you buy. Price: \$299, bose.com for dealers

A lower cost alternative is the Audio-Technica QuietPoint (ATH-ANC1). The headphone promises to block out up to 85 percent of outside noise via an external noise-cancelling module on the connecting cord. Putting noise-cancelling circuitry on a separate component makes the headphones themselves lighter on the head and easier to fold up. An airline adapter also is included. Price: \$129, audio-technica.com for dealers

For Tuned-Up Teens

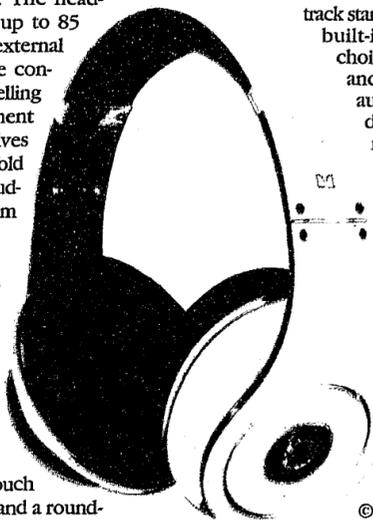
The last thing you want to do is give a teenager another opportunity to tune you out, but if you must, you've got more to consider than just functionality. Teens desperately need to look good.

Sony's EX ear buds deliver a touch of style, with five color choices and a round-

ed exterior that looks more like a pearl earring than a headphone. The EX line offers adjustable cords and three ear pads for customizing your fit. Price: \$19, sonystyle.com for dealers

If you want a higher-end option, Jaybird's Sportsband headphones provide a secure over-the-ear fit perfect for track stars. Plus, they offer built-in Bluetooth, a choice of nine colors and higher fidelity audio thanks to its digital enhancement technology dubbed apt-X.

A built-in mic turns the Sportsband into a hands-free device, not that you'll give them the car keys anytime soon. Price: \$99, jaybirdgear.com for dealers © CTW Features



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HDTV Without the Headaches

Not much can top a TV at Christmastime. But finding the right one is tough. Here's how to cut through the techno-babble and find the right set, with the right features, for any budget

By Greg Scoble
CTW Features

Whether you're finally jumping onto the HDTV bandwagon or simply seeking the perfect HDTV to give to that special someone, you'll find today's televisions have more to offer than room-swallowing screen sizes. But all that techno-jargon can be daunting. Here's a quick primer on what features to pay attention to, along with a list of room-worthy sets for any budget.

Size

It matters - at least when it comes to TV shopping. Screen size determines price and the viewing experience at home. To determine how big the TV should be, a good rule of thumb is to take the distance between the couch and where the TV will be and cut it in half. If you'll be 80 inches away from the TV, for example, opt for a 40-inch screen.

Refresh Rate

One frequently touted specification on an HDTV is its refresh rate, or how many times a still image is displayed on the screen. The faster the refresh rate, the less blur you're likely to notice during fast motion. You'll see it measured in hertz (Hz) with 60Hz a common rate for lower-end sets, 120Hz at the mid-range and 240Hz or higher at the upper end. Keep in mind, though, that it's very difficult to discern the difference between 120Hz and 240Hz.

LED

Next to refresh rates, the biggest buzzword you'll encounter is "LED." But here's a secret: There's no such thing as an LED TV. It's really an LCD TV that uses LED lights - light-emitting diodes - for its backlighting. That said, LED-LCD sets (as they're often called) do confer some benefits. They're more energy-efficient than straight-up LCDs, and they can produce a crisper picture with deeper blacks than conventionally backlit LCD displays. LED backlighting is a higher-end feature, so you'll pay more for it than you would for a traditional LCD display, all else being equal.

Widgets

One cool feature of many new HDTVs is Internet connectivity - either through a wired Ethernet connection or through Wi-Fi. TV makers have loaded their sets with numerous widgets - shortcuts that will take you instantly to select web services like Pandora Internet radio or Netflix for movie streaming. If you want to stream movies to your TV through a Wi-Fi connection, you're better off with an 802.11n router, which features the latest wireless technology.

3DTV

You can expect plenty of holiday hype around HDTVs capable of displaying 3D movies like "Avatar." Unless you're really willing to splurge, there's no urgent need to hop on this bandwagon. Why? Because there's not a ton of 3D content to enjoy just yet, and to view 3D movies you'd need to buy a 3D-capable Blu-ray disc player and (if you use one) an updated A/V receiver. And don't forget the glasses. While most 3DTVs bundle two pairs of active liquid crystal shutter glasses, outfitting larger families for a 3D movie night could be pricey, as the glasses run about \$150 a pair.

Santa-Worthy Sets

Budget Beaters

You can find plenty of well-equipped sets - with LED backlighting, web connections and high refresh rates - for under \$1,000... but at the 20- to 30-inch range. You can find both LCD and plasma TVs as large as 42-inches, too, but without those extras.

If you need something larger, Panasonic's Viera TC-P42U2 is a 42-inch plasma with a built-in SD card slot for viewing photos and videos. It offers three HDMI connections and Panasonic's "deep color" technology for sharper color reproduction.

Price: \$800, panasonic.com for dealers
Vizio's 22-inch M220NV is an LCD set with LED backlighting. You'll find built-in wireless (802.11n) so you can enjoy its onboard Internet applications without stringing cable every which way.
Price: \$359, vizio.com for dealers

Mid-Range Marvels

Between \$1,000 and \$2,000 you'll find screen sizes ranging from 40- to 50-inches in both LCD and plasma, plus a nice assortment of TVs offering LED backlighting and speedy refresh rates. You'll also find a few models with 3D capability.

The Sony Bravia 46EX700 is a 46-inch LED-LCD with out-of-the-box Internet connectivity via Ethernet (Wi-Fi is available with optional adapter). It has an ambient-light sensor, which can adjust the display based on room lighting to optimize image quality. There's also an energy-saving presence sensor, which will turn off the picture when you're not in the room and can turn off the TV completely if there's no motion in a room for 30 minutes.

Price: \$1,249, sonystyle.com for dealers

Vizio's XVT472SV is a 47-inch LED backlit LCD with "smart dimming" - which gives the display darker blacks by selectively dimming portions of the backlighting. There are four HDMI connections in the back of the set for connecting com-

The Samsung UN9000 packs 55 inches of TV into an remarkably thin .31-inch package

ponent, plus one on the side. You also can enjoy virtual surround sound thanks to its SRS TruSurround HD technology.

Price: \$1,699, vizio.com for dealers

High Flyers

At \$2,000 and above, you'll be dealing with the cream of the TV crop. Most 3D HDTVs will be found above this price point, in addition to the most feature-rich sets above 50 inches.

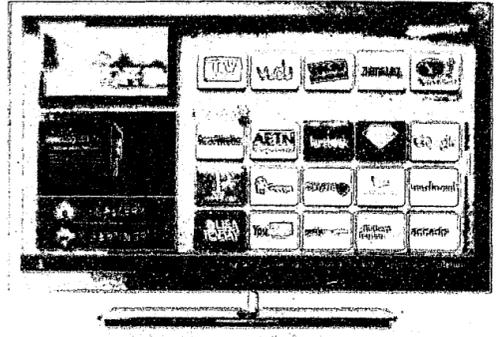
LG's Infinia 47LE8500 is an LED-LCD with local dimming for enhanced blacks and one of the best viewing angles at 178 degrees, meaning you could sit nearly parallel to the screen and still see the picture. It incorporates LG's NetCast web widgets and is Wi-Fi-ready (adapter sold separately).

Price: \$2,900, lg.com for dealers

If you know someone who's been super good this year (or if it's you who's been super good) you can shell out for Samsung's UN55C9000 - a 55-inch LCD with LED backlighting, 3D playback and Internet capability, all in a package that's an astounding 0.31 inches thick. It also has jazzy touch-sensitive remote control.

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By Phil Baker | *CTW Features*

It goes without saying that 2010 is the year of the iPad.

Despite the recessionary conditions in which it was unveiled, Apple's new tablet device has been the most successful product launch in the company's history - even bigger than the iPhone launch just a few years ago. Tech-industry analyst iSuppli expects nearly 13 million iPads to ship to consumers by the end of the year, an amazing 82 percent increase from predictions it made as recently as April.

In spite of skepticism about what the device can do, iPad buyers are finding all sorts of uses, from e-mail and watching first-run movies to reading newspapers, magazines and books.

Just like the iPhone, dozens of companies, including Apple itself, are rolling out accessories to jump on the iPad phenomenon. There are cases to protect the device from scratches and screen breakage, devices to prop it up for watching movies and typing, and some gadgets that do both. Here's a survey of some of the most interesting accessories available for the iPad this holiday season:

Apple Official

iPad Case

Many of those who stood in line and bought their iPad the day it went on sale also got the Apple iPad Case to protect their precious purchase. It's a skin-tight reinforced microfiber sleeve with a folding cover that adds little bulk but plenty of functionality. The cover protects the screen and when folded around creates a stand that props up the iPad at different angles for either watching movies and browsing photos or for using the onscreen

keyboard. While not as attractive as some of the other options, it's cleverly designed to almost become a part of the iPad. In fact it's designed to remain on it all of the time (partly because it's near impossible to remove).

Price: \$39, apple.com and Apple Retail Stores

Accessories

Apple also offers a number of accessories that add more utility to the iPad. While it makes a great device for viewing photos, the fact that it lacks both an actual camera and a USB port make it difficult to import images directly to the iPad. Apple's iPad Camera Connection Kit is the solution. It consists of two small adapters that each plug into the charging connector at the bottom. One has a USB port, and the other a slot for an SD card that lets you move your images quickly onto the iPad.

Price: \$29, apple.com and Apple Retail Stores

If you do serious writing you'll want Apple's iPad Keyboard Dock. The on-screen keyboard is good for a paragraph or two, but it's difficult to do cut and past and precisely move the cursor around. The aluminum keyboard has a built-in dock that holds the iPad erect and charges it at the same time. You can also use it to connect the iPad to a TV.

Price: \$69, apple.com and Apple Retail Stores

Other iPad Cases

The Waterfield Suede Jacket is a lightweight sleeve with a small pocket for headphones and small accessories. It's the least intrusive way to carry your iPad, but protecting it against drops is not part of the jacket's design. Waterfield, which manufactures all of its products in the USA, also has cases

for Kindles, iPods and iPhones.

Price: \$25, sfbags.com

Griffin Technology's Elan Passport Folio is a durable folio that opens like a book to access the iPad. It's made of leather-look textured vinyl with a suede lining and contains pockets for business cards and papers.

Price: \$49.99, griffintechnology.com to purchase and find retailers

Brenthaven's 5-in-1 iPad Case provides a hard shell for protection, a horizontal viewing stand for watching movies, a typing stand, and a handle to secure the iPad while reading.

Price: \$59.95, brenthaven.com

Incase offers a Convertible Book Jacket that works much like Apple's case, though it carries a little more bulk. It's made of a heavy black, leather-like vinyl with a microsuede lining, and, like the Apple case, functions as a stand with adjustable viewing positions when its cover is flipped around the back.

Price: \$59.95, incase.com

The iSkin Vu Case is a shell that combines soft rubber material with hard transparent plastic to envelope the edges and back of the iPad. It comes in variety of colors and has a door at the bottom that opens for charging.

Price: \$64.99, iskin.com to purchase and find retailers

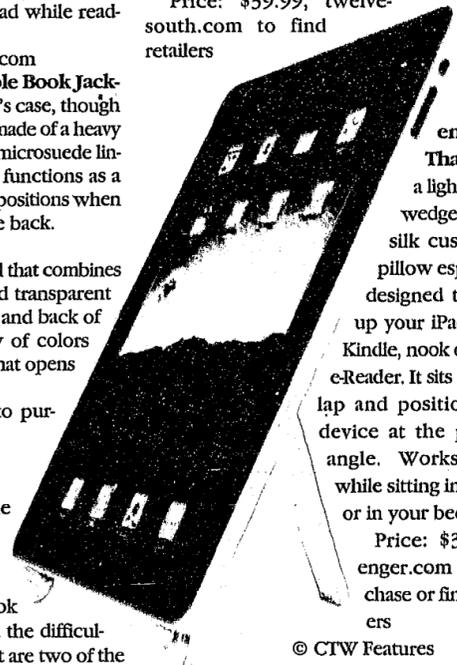
iPad Stands

If you're going to use the iPad for reading you'll likely want a way to prop it up, since it's quite a bit heavier than eReaders such as the nook and Kindle. (Said weight and the difficulty of reading in bright sunlight are two of the few criticisms of the iPad, and one reason why

the sales of eBook readers like the Kindle continue to be robust.)

The Twelve South Compass offers an ultra-portable solution to prop up an iPad on a desk or, for the jet-setter, on an airplane tray. It's a compact folding stand made out of aluminum that angles the iPad for viewing or typing. It's beautifully constructed of aluminum, much like the iPad itself, and comes with its own carrying case. The best part? It folds down to the size of a 6-inch ruler.

Price: \$39.99, twelve-south.com to find retailers



Levenger's Thai Pad is a lightweight wedge-shaped silk cushioned pillow especially designed to prop up your iPad ... or Kindle, nook or other eReader. It sits on your lap and positions the device at the perfect angle. Works great while sitting in a chair or in your bed.

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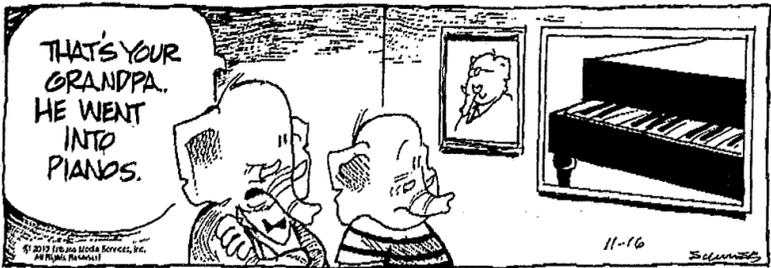
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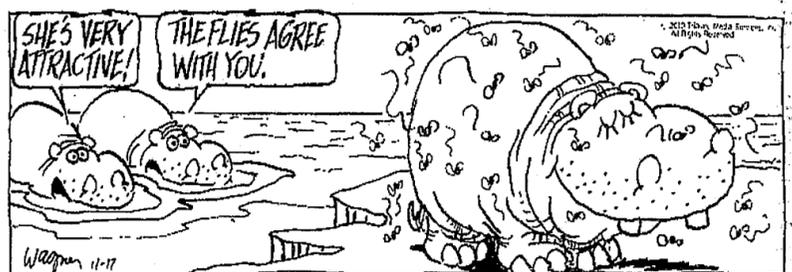
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FOUR RACK TOTAL
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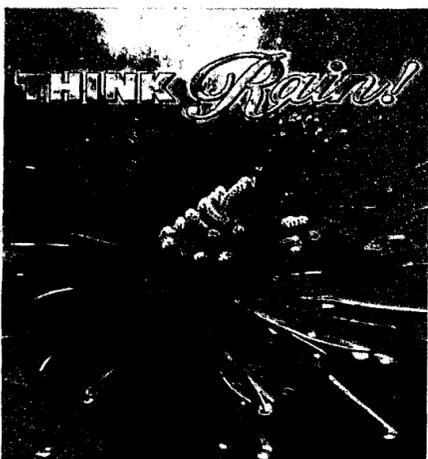
THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by Mike Argirion and Jeff Knurek

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Level: 1 2 3 4

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SOLUTION TO TODAY'S PUZZLE

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Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit www.sudoku.org.uk

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