





**A Cut Above** Salon owner Laura Mays checks out a pair of boots at the Ski Apache Disabled and Skiers Auction Saturday at the Inn of the Mountain Gods. This was the 25th year of the auction to support the program that started in 1976 when Ski Apache and William Beaumont Hospital at Fort Bliss, Texas teamed up to develop a program for disabled soldiers.

**Vehicle use maps**

The Lincoln National Forest updated Motor Vehicle Use Maps are available in online and paper formats.

They were developed in keeping with the U.S. Forest Service's multiple use mandate, and to better protect natural resources.

The two maps, one displaying the Smokey Bear and Sacramento Ranger Districts and another, the Guadalupe Ranger District, are free and available at all Lincoln National Forest Offices and various locations in southern New Mexico.

The current Motor Vehicle

Use Map has eight minor changes to the designated system of motorized roads and trails compared to the September 2009 version, making the latter no longer valid.

The Forest Service website describes the changes to both maps and how the public can remain involved with the Forest's travel management process. The Lincoln National Forest staff encourages public input for future changes to the roads and trails system.

To pick up a map, stop by the Smokey Bear Ranger District Office, 901 Mechem Dr., Ruidoso; the Sacramento Ranger District Office, 4 Lost Lodge

Rd., Cloudcroft; the Guadalupe Ranger District Office, 114 S. Halagueno, Carlsbad; or the Supervisor's Office, 3463 Las Palomas Rd., Alamogordo.

They are open from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. District Customer Service Representatives will help identify recreation areas or answer questions. Smokey Bear memorabilia items also are available for purchase.

The website can be found at [www.fs.usda.gov/lincoln](http://www.fs.usda.gov/lincoln).

**Appreciation coffee**

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COURTESY FRWLC

The Federated Republican Women of Lincoln County hosted a School Board Candidates Forum at their January meeting. Joining the FRWLC were District Attorney, Diana Martwick, at far right, and County Commissioner Kathryn Minter, far left, pictured here with FRWLC President LaVonne Adams, third from left, and 1st Vice President, Marci Butchofsky.

New Mexico, an appreciation coffee for Harry Teague and Nate Cote will be held Sunday, Feb. 13, in Alamogordo.

The event, sponsored by individuals and organizations in Doña Ana, Lincoln and Otero counties, will take place from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the atrium of the 1st National Bank, 414 10th St., Alamogordo.

Teague, a Democrat, is the former U.S. Representative from the 2nd Congressional District. Cote, a Democrat, is a former New Mexico Representative from District 53.

For more information, to participate, or to RSVP, contact Nola Jones at 575-437-4193 or email [riceno@juno.com](mailto:riceno@juno.com).

**Eppers featured**

Alice Eppers, Vice Chair of the Republican Party of New Mexico for the 2nd Congressional District, will be the featured speaker at the regular February monthly meeting of the Republican Party of Lincoln County.

According to John Billingsley, chairman of the Republican Party of Lincoln County, dinner is set for 6 p.m. and the meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m., Monday, at Cree Meadows Country Club in Ruidoso.

The Republican Party of New Mexico is composed of citizens of all walks of life, he said, pointing out that Eppers has stated that the mission of the state Republican Party is to effectively communicate conservative principles to the people of New Mexico.

Eppers will bring the membership up to date on the Republican Party of New Mexico platform and plans that are being made for state and national Republican victories in the next two years.

In addition, Billingsley will brief members on what is happening in the Republican Party of Lincoln County and Jack Shuster, first vice chair, will report on the state legislators who represent Lincoln County in the House and Senate.

To help with a head count for the \$14-per-per-

son dinner, contact Barbara Dickinson at 336-7822 by 6 p.m., Feb. 13. Memberships in the RPLC will be available at the meeting.

For information on the organization, call 258-2570, or e-mail [office@rplcnm.org](mailto:office@rplcnm.org), or stop in at Room 313 in the Lincoln Tower, 1096 Mechem Drive in Ruidoso.

**New Pearce office**

U.S. Rep. Steve Pearce has announced the opening of a Roswell office, intended to facilitate communication between Pearce and his constituents.

The office is located at 1717 W. 2nd Street, Suite 100, Roswell. The ceremony, which Pearce is scheduled to personally attend, will be held there from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 5. All members of the public are encouraged to attend.

Pearce now has offices in Hobbs, Roswell, Alamogordo, Las Cruces, Los Lunas, Socorro and Washington, D.C.

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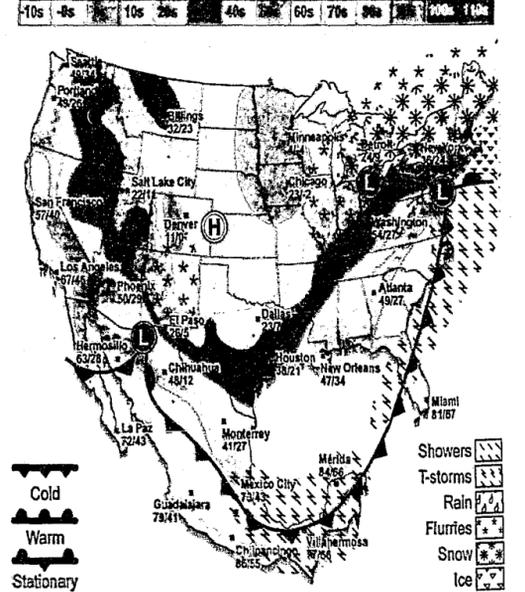
**AccuWeather 7-day forecast for Ruidoso**

TODAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
<b>RealFeel</b> 9°	<b>RealFeel</b> 33°	<b>RealFeel</b> 41°	<b>RealFeel</b> 46°	<b>RealFeel</b> 42°	<b>RealFeel</b> 43°	<b>RealFeel</b> 51°
<b>Humidity</b> 15° 3° 84%	<b>Humidity</b> 28° 18° 53%	<b>Humidity</b> 45° 28° 57%	<b>Humidity</b> 49° 35° 59%	<b>Humidity</b> 49° 29° 45%	<b>Humidity</b> 47° 33° 55%	<b>Humidity</b> 50° 20° 42%
Mostly cloudy with some snow, 1-2"	Mostly sunny and cold	Sunny and warmer	Sunshine and patchy clouds	Mostly cloudy	Partly sunny	Not as cool with snow and rain
Wind: ESE 4-8 mph	Wind: NNW 4-8 mph	Wind: WNW 7-14 mph	Wind: NNW 7-14 mph	Wind: NW 10-20 mph	Wind: SW 8-16 mph	Wind: NNE 7-14 mph

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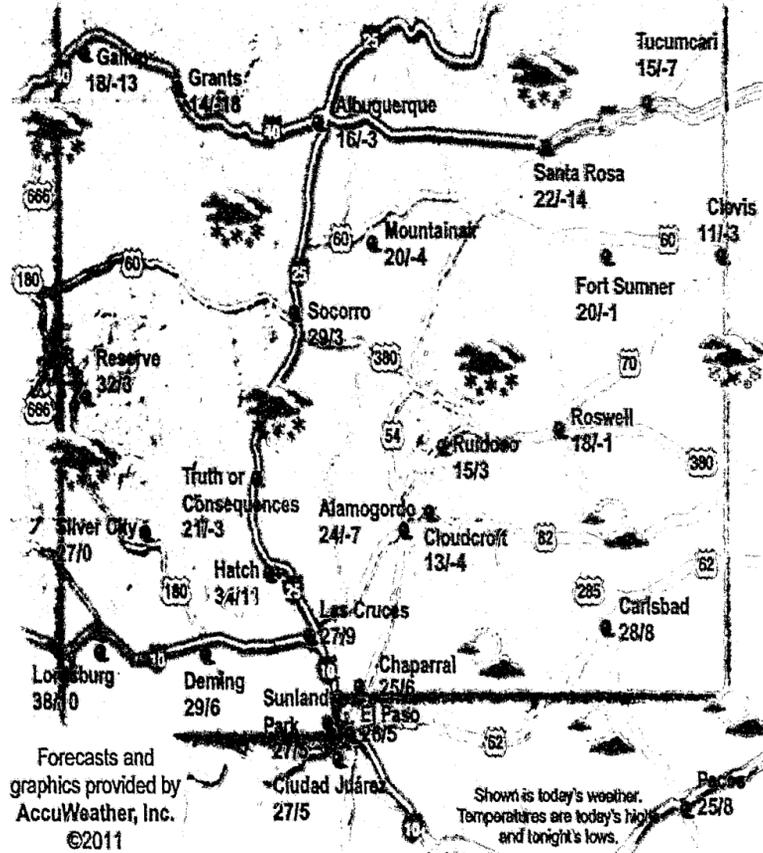
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**National Forecast for Feb. 2, 2011**



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

**Regional Cities**



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**Sun and Moon**  
Wednesday: Sunrise/Sunset 6:58 a.m./5:36 p.m.  
Wednesday: Moonrise/Moonset 6:31 a.m./5:33 p.m.

**Moon Phases**  
New First Full Last  
Feb 2 Feb 11 Feb 18 Feb 24

**Extremes**  
Monday's National High/Low: (For the 48 contiguous states)  
High: 88° in Laredo, TX  
Low: -38° in Chinook, MT  
Monday's World High/Low:  
High: 116° in Telfer, Australia  
Low: -64° in Summit Station, Greenland

**Almanac**

**Ruidoso**  
Statistics through Monday  
Temperature:  
High/low ..... 41°/16°  
Normal high ..... 51°  
Normal low ..... 21°  
Record high ..... 65° (1971)  
Record low ..... 3° (2001)  
Precipitation:  
Monday ..... 0.00"  
Month to date ..... Trace  
Normal month to date ..... 1.32"  
Year to date ..... Trace  
Normal year to date ..... 1.32"

**Alamogordo**  
Statistics through Monday  
Temperature:  
High/low ..... 58°/36°  
Normal high ..... 58°  
Normal low ..... 31°  
Record high ..... 75° (1963)  
Record low ..... 10° (1948)  
Precipitation:  
Monday ..... 0.00"  
Month to date ..... 0.00"  
Normal month to date ..... 0.77"  
Year to date ..... 0.00"  
Normal year to date ..... 0.77"

**Weather Trivia™:**  
Q: When was the coldest arctic outbreak in the U.S.?  
A: Feb. 11-14, 1899. Siberia (-71°) to the Gulf Coast (-67°) in Montana.

**National Cities**

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Thu. Hi/Lo/W
Albany	21/5/pc	29/12/pc
Anchorage	34/23/sn	29/18/sf
Atlanta	49/27/pc	43/35/c
Austin	33/12/pc	32/18/c
Baltimore	47/30/r	36/18/pc
Boston	33/21/f	26/16/pc
Chicago	23/2/sn	12/3/s
Dallas	23/7/pc	50/15/pc
Denver	11/0/s	42/18/s
Des Moines	8/9/pc	15/2/s
Detroit	24/9/sn	15/4/s
El Paso	26/5/pc	27/12/pc
Las Vegas	47/29/s	54/36/s
Los Angeles	67/46/s	70/44/s
Minneapolis	4/4/pc	19/18/c
New Orleans	47/34/c	42/36/r
New York City	36/24/f	29/19/pc
Philadelphia	44/25/r	30/16/pc
Phoenix	50/29/pc	52/35/s
Reno	41/18/s	50/25/s
San Francisco	57/40/s	59/40/s
San Diego	62/39/s	65/43/s
Seattle	49/34/pc	50/41/pc
Tucson	43/23/c	42/22/s
Tulsa, OK	13/6/pc	14/7/s
Wash., DC	54/27/r	39/26/pc
Wichita	14/4/pc	18/4/s
Yuma	54/35/s	60/37/s

**Regional Cities**

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Thu. Hi/Lo/W
Albuquerque	16/3/sn	27/14/s
Artesia	26/8/pc	26/8/pc
Chama	17/4/13/sn	30/2/s
Clayton	7/5/pc	36/17/s
Cloudcroft	13/4/sn	19/0/pc
Farmington	20/1/sn	29/11/s
Hobbs	26/0/pc	28/2/pc
Los Alamos	16/4/sn	27/5/s
Portales	18/2/sn	27/9/s
Raton	10/13/sn	36/11/s
Red River	10/23/sn	20/0/s
Ruidoso	15/3/sn	28/18/s
Santa Fe	14/7/sn	26/10/s
Silver City	27/0/sn	28/10/s
Taos	14/18/sn	25/3/s

**Mexican Cities**

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Thu. Hi/Lo/W
Acapulco	86/70/s	88/72/s
Cancun	82/66/sh	79/66/s
Chihuahua	48/12/s	34/10/pc
Ciudad Juárez	27/5/c	27/12/s
Leon	77/41/pc	77/39/s
Mexico, DF	73/43/s	70/41/s
Monterrey	41/27/s	34/27/s
Morelia	78/45/s	76/44/s
Oaxaca	81/52/c	81/46/sh
Pto. Venasco	54/34/s	49/28/s
Tijuana	63/36/s	66/28/s



DIANNE STALLINGS/RUIDOSO NEWS

**Taryn McAlister** and her parents show off a Special Recognition Award for her leadership and community development efforts given to her at a village council meeting earlier this week. Shaking Sam McAlister's hand at far left is Mayor Ray Albom. Initiated by Councilor Gloria Sayers with DWI prevention program specialist Linda Hand, the biyearly recognition will highlight outstanding young people of the area. McAlister, the first recipient, is a senior at Ruidoso High School, the daughter of Rutalee and Sam McAlister. She is a member of the school's Chapter of the National Honor Society, is on the Student Council, has been on the Principal's List for academic achievement and participates at the Knowledge Bowl competitions. She also is involved in Students Against Destructive Decisions. She served as honorary page for State Sen. Rod Adair (R-Roswell) and was a guest speaker at Ruidoso Day in Santa Fe. Active in 4-H, she is president of her club, is a member of the county council and has served as a county officer. She finds time to participate in the Light the Fire Youth Leadership Summits and spent part of her summer working as an "Age Group Leader" for Peace Village at High Mesa Healing Center. She credited her parents with being positive influences in her life and teaching her the value of hard work. She is considering pursuing a degree in elementary education.



JIM KALVELAGE/RUIDOSO NEWS

**Jean Proctor** (left) and **Brenda Frost**, members of the Ruidoso Downs Beautification Committee, prepare to fill in a second silver medallion in recognition of Keep Ruidoso Downs Beautiful. "Next year we will put the gold right there," predicted Proctor. In addition to being awarded the silver medallion from New Mexico Clean and Beautiful, the city was honored with the Keep America Beautiful President's Circle Recognition Award for 2010. Among the beautification initiatives in the city are twice a year cleanups, weed eradication, recycling and others.

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**Sonic booms**

Officials with the 49th Wing have announced the

flying schedule through Feb. 6.

Sonic booms could occur Wednesday, Feb. 2, from 3 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. to 9:45 p.m.; Thurs-

day, Feb. 3, from 1:45 p.m. to 5:45 p.m. and 7:45 p.m. to 9:45 p.m.; and Friday, Feb. 4, from 11 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.

At this time no flights

are scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 5 or Sunday, Feb. 6.

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](http://www.holloman.af.mil).

**Pet protection**

Record low temperatures are forecast in many parts of the state through Wednesday. Animal Protection of New Mexico (APNM) reminds people that protecting domestic animals from freezing weather is the law.

Already, the APNM has received calls on its Animal Cruelty Hotline about animals being left out unattended in the cold and snow.

New Mexico's state cruelty law (NMSA 30-18-1) mandates that animals be provided with adequate shelter. Most local city and

county animal ordinances contain provisions for shelter requirements to protect animals.

Companion animals such as dogs and cats, should be allowed indoors as much as possible, especially during weather extremes as we're experiencing. When animals must be outside, here are a few tips to help ensure animals are protected and that animal owners comply with the law:

- A weatherproof shelter should be large enough to accommodate the animal, yet small enough to retain body heat.

- The shelter should be protected on all sides from the elements. It should have a door and contain dry, insulating bedding such as straw.

- Animal housing also should be raised off of the ground a few inches, be shingled to keep out moisture, and be positioned so the doorway is out of the wind.

All animals left outdoors, including horses and livestock, should be provided with extra food during cold weather to help maintain overall health and body weight. Livestock should have a windbreak - it could save their lives. Clean water should be available continuously, and checked frequently to ensure it is not frozen. Trough warmers and ice melting elements are available at feed stores.

APNM encourages people to work with local animal control to stockpile a few extra doghouses for those in need. Offering a weatherproof shelter and some clean straw to animals that must stay outside can help to make them comfortable, and may even save their lives.

Something as simple as bringing animals indoors can prevent serious injury or death. Providing for companion animals is not only the right and ethical thing to do, it is also the law.

If you see pets left outside this week, call local animal control or the Attorney General's Animal Cruelty Task Force hotline at 1-877-5-HUMANE.

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# OPINION

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### OUR OPINION

## Midtown's future up for discussion...

...and that's a good thing

Last week, village officials and a handful of merchants and other interested parties held an informal meeting at Village Hall concerning the future of Midtown. It was the first of a planned series of meetings. A followup was held Tuesday (see Friday's *Ruidoso News*), and a third session is scheduled for Feb. 9.

It's about time. It's about time that those who can move and shake in this town begin discussing the heart and soul of Ruidoso as it pertains to a tourist destination. Midtown has long had a list of issues specific to its

needs, and for too long those with a stake in those issues have not communicated well, even if to allow civil debate.

Midtown has some current problems that should be out in the open: hours of operation, empty storefronts, clearing of sidewalks, negative "attitudes" and one or two neglected fronts that could at least use a paint job. There are a few business that, frankly, we don't feel belong in the tourist core, but that is a zoning matter.

Midtown has such a promising future, as recognized by the comprehensive plan. To get there, we need to talk.

## Budget cuts will fall heavily on rural areas

Anybody who thinks the Legislature is only pondering how many pencil pushers to pare from state government should have been around for the first week's testimony. In many different arenas, it's clear that some critical services hang in the balance.

It's also clear that cuts will fall heavily on rural areas.

Bill Verant, director of the state Financial Institutions Division, worries like a mother hen about his brood of community banks because his division is short-handed.

"I don't want the feds examining our state banks," he told the House Appropriations and Finance Committee. "It's resulted in some arbitrary and capricious orders. We will have a lot of intrusion of federal regulators in the business of New Mexico if we don't have the (employees). We lost a real asset, in my view" when the FDIC closed Charter Bank last year.

Verant's agency regulates 36 state-chartered banks, largely small banks in small towns, and 80 percent of their assets are in commercial real estate lending, which federal regulators think is the bogeyman. There have been abuses in other areas, but not here. Verant fears that if federal bank examiners look at our community banks, there will be more Charters.

"They're treating us like we're speculators in Phoenix," he said.

The silver-haired Verant looked weary, probably because he knew his examiners would be closing First Community Bank, another institution sinking in the downturn. Not even the state's forbearance could save that one. Supreme Court Chief Justice Charles W. Daniels sounded a similar chord: Courts will close if proposed budgets become reality.

The judiciary branch made all the easy cuts, then reduced staff and closed some magistrate courts. It still wasn't enough because the economic downturn has increased court workloads as budgets thinned. Fewer employees mean longer

lines in courts.

"The reality is that providing justice is personnel intensive," he said. Furloughs aren't a solution. "Without people at work, courts have to close, which violates the constitutional obligation to keep the courts open. Furlough closures of backlogged courts don't save a dime of taxpayer money. Our work just piles up."

It's a numbers game. Daniels is unlikely to close the crowded city courts, so the rural courts are vulnerable.

Then there's higher education. Current budget proposals would cut a large swath through dual-credit and remedial programs and tuition waivers. And because tuition at two-year schools is far lower than at four-year schools, budget hawks might press them to increase tuition.

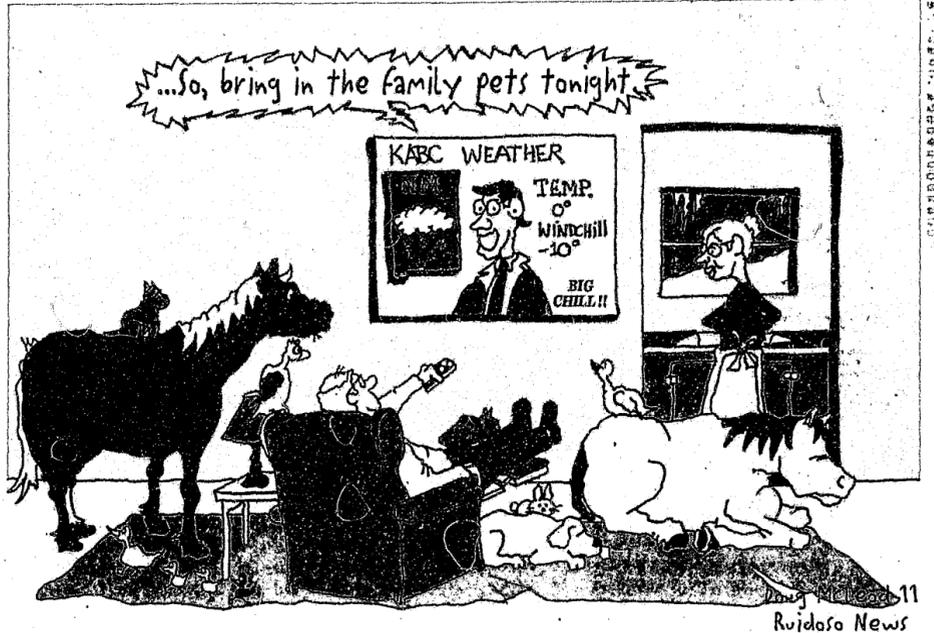
Proposed cuts furrowed eyebrows among members of the House Education Committee. Rep. Dennis Roch, R-Texico, argued that the low tuition at two-year schools is intended to draw students who might not otherwise think of furthering their education. Rep. Gay Kernan, R-Hobbs, was concerned about the impact of cuts like these on rural students.

Said Rep. Sheryl Williams Stapleton, D-Albuquerque, "You might leave money in the classroom, but you won't have students left in the classroom to teach."

The outlook is especially bleak for capital outlay. Rural areas and tribes are worried that projects previously approved will evaporate. Rep. Sandra Jeff, D-Crownpoint, says rural lawmakers are in a tough position. They understand the need for cuts, and yet their constituents expect them to keep the spigot open.

"We spent, spent, spent, and now the rural communities, especially on the reservation, don't understand that it can be taken back," she says. "They gave it to us," they say. I try to fight for them, but I'm in the middle."

This year in the Roundhouse, there will be few easy votes.



### YOUR OPINION

## Valley does have stake in sewer plant

To the editor:

AS A FORMER Lincoln County Commissioner, and neighbor of present Lincoln County Commissioner Jackie Powell, I would like to throw in my two cents about Ruidoso Village Council's rejection of the Lincoln County Commission's appointment of her to JUB.

They are under the impression that somehow Jackie has no dog in this fight. This could not be further from reality. Jackie and I both own one of those half a jillion places down the Hondo Valley that go from the Highway 70 right-of-way to the center of the Ruidoso River. Many others live and own land on the other side of the river.

While Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs have a mere few million

dollars invested in the new sewer plant, those of us "down the Valley" have everything vested in it. We've all heard the old saying that "it" flows downhill. Well it really does! Next time you flush your commode, stand there for a minute and watch what happens. You will see a swirling motion as everything circles and disappears, replaced by clear, clean water, gone forever. Right? Wrong!

It's not magic. From there it goes to the sewer plant to be processed, properly we hope, and it will eventually flow right through my place about a half mile upriver from Commissioner Powell's place. Jackie lives there with her husband, Denny, their daughter and grandchildren. Their brother-in-law, sister,

nieces, nephews, etc., live next door, and so on all up and down the Valley. We all cook, drink, bathe and irrigate our gardens and orchards with water from our shallow wells that are in the same aquifer and downstream from the sewer plant. We are all aware of the many accidents, overflows, etc., that have occurred over the years. A lot of people down here like to fish the river but very few would dare eat the fish.

This does not sound to me like a public official who has no stake in what happens with the new plant. Those of us who live down here would like, and need, someone with her backbone on this board to represent us.

Rick Simpson  
Hondo Valley

## Transparency is government's duty

PETE CAMPOS  
State Senator, District 8

The public's growing frustration with government, driven in large part by policy disagreements and evaporating revenue for important needs, is compounded each time a public official denies someone access to public information.

The good news is that while we will always have policy differences and never enough money, we can all agree that government agencies and public employees should make government transparency a priority. The public, who after all is paying the bills, deserves to know how its money is being spent.

The public has become distrustful of its government, believing that too much of the information it does receive is "spin" and not enough of it is simply data that will allow citizens to draw their own conclusions. As with most perceptions, some of it is unfounded - the vast majority of public officials take seriously their duty to be transparent - but those of us who are public servants must also admit that much of this perception is based in reality.

Each day, somewhere in New Mexico, citizens, community activists or news reporters are told they cannot have the information they are seeking for any one of a variety of reasons.

Whether the reason is legitimate or not (and we have to acknowledge that not all of them are) the public is left with the perception that its government is not being as open as it could or should be.

It is not that the state has not adopted a policy of transparency. The Open Meetings Act makes it clear that "it is declared to be the public policy of this state that all persons are entitled to the greatest possible information regarding the affairs of government and the official acts of those officers and employees who represent them". The Inspection of Public Records Act and the Sunshine Portal Transparency Act are also designed to help make sure that New Mexicans can get as much information as possible about their government.

But we know the reality is different. The New Mexico Foundation for Open Government last year received more than 125 complaints to its

hotline about possible violations of the Inspection of Public Records Act and the Open Meetings Act. Each year, the attorney general has no other choice but to chastise far too many government agencies or boards for improperly closing meetings and withholding information.

We can and must do better. More information must be made available on government agencies' web sites and in a way that is easily navigated and understood. More meetings should be webcast so people can follow the work of elected officials without having to drive to the capitol, county building or city hall. Public officials and employees must embrace the idea that providing the public with public records is an important and integral part of their jobs and not an extra duty to be fulfilled only when it is convenient.

As we begin to lower the level of public frustration with government, we will find that we will begin to accomplish more for all the people of New Mexico.

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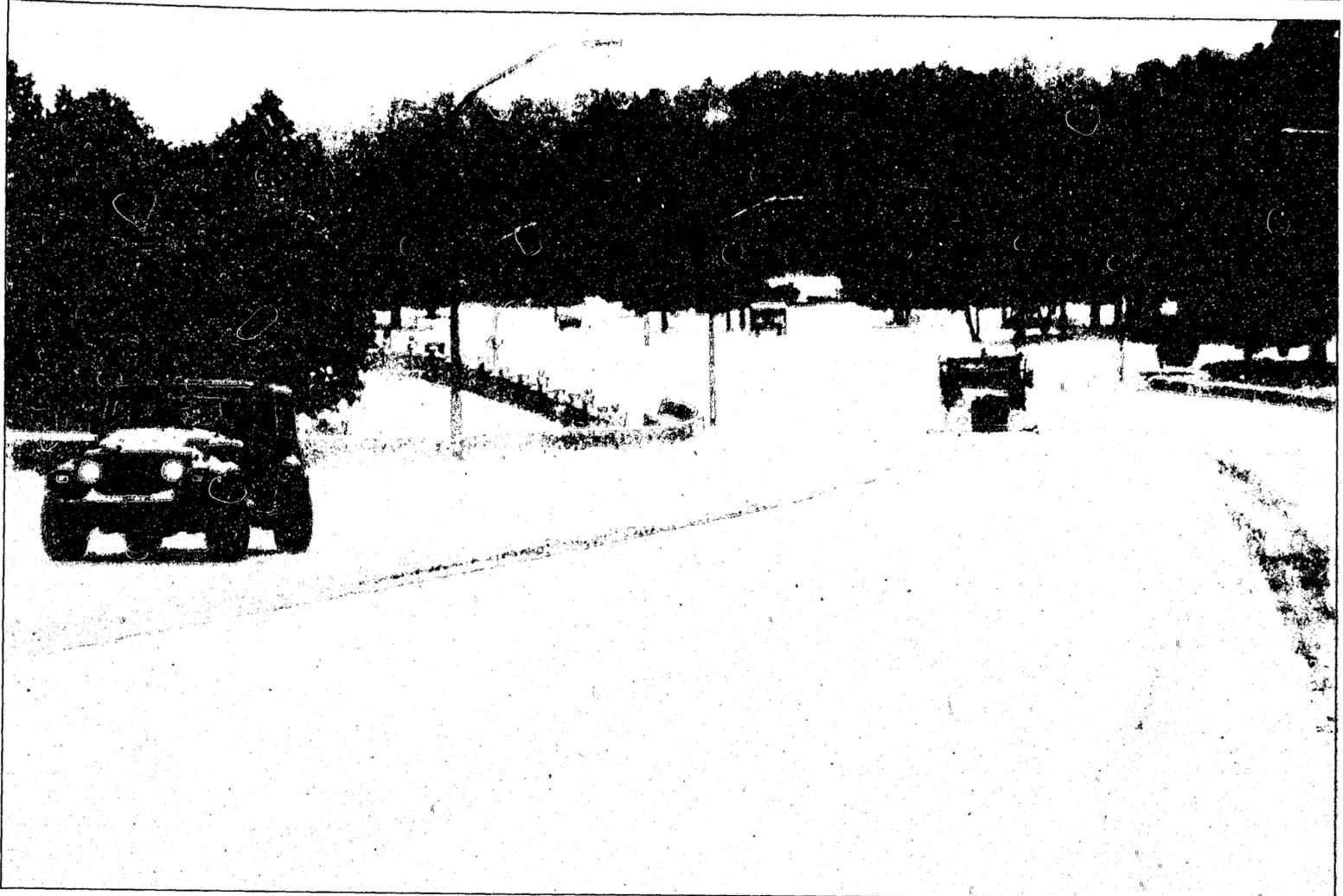
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Mechem Drive in Ruidoso near the Smoke Bear Ranger District office was only fit for Jeeps and snowplows Tuesday morning.

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# Snowstorm one for the books

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It took until February, but Lincoln County finally received its first substantial snow of the season. And more was forecast to pile up on this second day of the new month.

The National Weather Service said total accumulations from the one-two punch storm this week around the Sacramento and Capitan mountains could total 12 to 16 inches when all is done late Wednesday or early Thursday, with as much as 25 inches at favored locations above 7,500 feet.

The snow, which measured 4 inches deep in Ruidoso at 7 a.m. Tuesday, doubled by mid-afternoon. It provided a day off for students in Capitan, Carrizozo, Corona, Mescalero and Ruidoso.

Classes at ENMU-Ruidoso were also cancelled for Tuesday. The second round of snow could again impact the school day today.

Wednesday classes at all area schools — Carrizozo, Mescalero, Capitan, Ruidoso, Hondo and Corona — were already cancelled on Tuesday afternoon.

While the NWS forecast office for central New Mexico said snow would taper off late today, forecasters with the office that covers Otero County predicted that snow in the area could linger into Thursday.

Roads were reported snow-packed and slippery in many areas. U.S. Highway 54 from Carrizozo to Corona was closed temporarily Tuesday morning because of a crash.

"I just got a call from one of the blademen from Alpine Village that he's just getting covered up. It just covers up just as quick as we can plow it," Lincoln County Road Superintendent Albert Hernandez said Tuesday afternoon. "We've got snow all over the county."

Hernandez said three inches of snow fell in the Hondo area as of early

Tuesday morning, something he called unusual.

"Most of the time it doesn't snow much up that way. All the roads are pretty much snow-packed."

Some likened the winter storm to Christmas of 1997, when as much as two feet of snow fell in much of Lincoln County.

"If we get 20 to 25 inches of snow out of this storm, that's a lot of snow for us," said Frank Potter, a Midtown business owner who has kept data on Ruidoso's climate for decades. "It could be actually a record."

Ruidoso Street Department Director J. R. Baumann said his crews had pulled out all the stops to plow and sand. Five dump trucks with plows, two with salt, and other vehicles with blades attached were mobilized.

Blowing snow in some locations, such as Carrizozo, affected visibility at times. Some drifting was also reported Tuesday afternoon.

Travel was expected to remain dangerous perhaps into Thursday, said Kerry Jones, an NWS warning coordination meteorologist for New Mexico. He said heavy snow was the scene for the south central mountains.

"So Corona, Capitan, Ruidoso, those areas will be hard hit tonight going into Wednesday," Jones said during a Tuesday weather briefing.

NWS meteorologist John Fausett with the El Paso Zone forecast office called the Sacramento Mountains their "focal point" for the winter storm.

While snow was a concern, forecasters were also warning about the bitter cold temperatures. Ruidoso's high temperature for Wednesday was expected to be 38 degrees below the normal of 52.

By late afternoon Tuesday, a resident of Loma Grande near Nogal reported a temperature of 10 below zero, with a foot of snow on the ground. Capitan and Alto reported 1



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Even Carrizozo, at 5,400 elevation, suffered white-out conditions Tuesday. But that didn't stop hardy voters from going to the polls.



degree at 6 p.m.

"It's not something you see every winter by a long shot," said NWS meteorologist Mark Fetting. "And of course the snow cover obviously helps as well because that keeps things from warming or moderating very much very quickly."

The cold will be historic; some records will fall.

"Every single site that we track will be below the

record low max for the day," Jones said.

Around the south central mountains, the high Wednesday was predicted to range between 5 and 15 degrees, after an early morning low of minus 10 to zero. The mercury was expected to be in the same range, zero or below zero, early Thursday morning.

In addition to recommending people stay off the

roads, Lincoln County Sheriff Rick Virden said neighbors should watch out for one another.

"Those you know of that are elderly needing some extra care, check on them," Virden said that can be done through a phone call. "And if they need somebody in person call us and let us do it."

Don Scott, with the New Mexico Department of

Homeland Security and Emergency Management said prolonged cold temperatures can be a real problem in rural areas.

Animal welfare organizations urged owners to bring pets in from the cold. And officials recommended property owners and others take steps to avoid freezing pipes that can cause plumbing and other property damage.

# EDUCATION

## ELEMENTARY ART



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An art reception at the Ruidoso Regional Council for the Arts featured 50 posters from the Protecting You - Protecting Me program at the White Mountain Elementary School. The winning posters were: First place, Elyanna Greer; second place, Payton Barnett; third place, Alyssa Comenero. The art will remain on display in the council's headquarters at 1712 Sudderth Drive through January.

## TEEN SPOTLITE

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Teen Spotlite features area teens that have made a difference in their community. Amanda Willingham is the next teen in the Spotlite. Amanda is the daughter of Tamra and Andy Willingham and is currently in her senior year at Capitan High School. Willingham is involved in a variety of activities at her school and in her community.

At Capitan High School, Willingham is a dedicated student and a member of National Honor Society. Her concern for others is seen in her participation in Team Noble, an anti-bullying group, and serving as secretary for Youth for Christ. One of Willingham's teachers comments, "Amanda has a sweet personality, is very outgoing, and loved by all of her peers. It has been a joy watching Amanda

grow and mature into a wonderful young woman. I pray the best for Amanda's future endeavors."



Amanda Willingham

Willingham is also involved in the community. She is a member of the Capitan Church of Christ Youth Group where she has participated in many community service projects. She also finds time to participate in the Ruidoso Gymnastics Association, where she has become a level ten gymnast.

Her parents are listed as Willingham's greatest influences in her life.

Future plans include attending college to obtain a degree in Health Science. She would like to compete in gymnastics at the collegiate level.

Willingham definitely has a bright future.

## SPELLING BEE CHAMPS



POLLY CHAVEZ/FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Carrizozo Municipal School 2011 Spelling Bee Champion is Gracie Hooten, far right. Gracie will compete in El Paso in March in the El Paso Times Scripps Spelling Bee. Second-place winners are Janae Willingham, center and Patrick Hooten. They went through 20 intense rounds before calling it a tie.

## Ruidoso students honored

A dozen students from Lincoln County were among the 625 students on the 2010 fall semester Dean's Honor Roll at Eastern New Mexico University.

From Ruidoso the students and their majors are: Carla Aguirre, psychology; Amber Brown, English; Lauren Cook, music; Meghan Gabaldon, elementary education; Jarret Lovelace, communications; Kimberly Rapp, undeclared; Gabrielle Smith, animal and dairy science; Michael Swanner, elementary education; and Ananda Tomas, social work.

Two students from Capitan are included on the honors' list. Morgan Gibbs is majoring in psychology. Kallie Griffin is majoring in family and consumer sciences.

Viviana Morales, from the Hondo area, an elementary education major, is on the Dean's Honor Roll.

To be eligible for the honor roll students must have at least a 3.25 grade point average.

# Bill would combine small school districts

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SANTA FE - The high plains village of Mosquero in northeastern New Mexico has a school district with 43 students.

A crowded classroom in Albuquerque has more kids.

Roy has a school district, too. It has 51 students. Wagon Mound has 71 in its district, House 79 and Des Moines 97.

Isolation, geography, a weak economy and tradition are reasons that places too small to appear on many state maps have school districts.

All told, 49 of New Mexico's 89 school districts have fewer than 1,000 students.

Sen. Stephen Fischmann, D-Mesilla Park, has introduced a bill to close each of those small districts. His proposal, SB 80, is not as radical as it may sound, Fischmann said.

"I'm not in favor of closing schools. That's not what this is about," he said during an interview last week.

Rather, Fischmann's idea is to shrink the number of districts, combine resources and better serve students. Otherwise, he said, the sacred cows of funding formulas and entrenched districts go on, but student achievement does not go up.

Fischmann, who has a master's degree in business administration from UCLA, spent his career with Levi Strauss. He calls himself an outsider when it comes to schools, but says those inside may be so accustomed to doing things the same way that opportunities are missed.

People who are in the trenches, running tiny districts, say Fischmann's idea to force consolidations has a certain appeal.

"It looks good on paper," said Robert Cobos, superintendent of the Carrizozo Municipal Schools, a district with 175 students.

Carrizozo, in Lincoln

County, is among a cluster of small school districts. Hondo has 169 students, Corona 83 and Capitan a whopping 516.

But put them all together and you still would not have a district of 1,000 students. Send every student to Ruidoso or a centralized campus and you would spend a lot of time on the bus but have no guarantee that anybody would learn more.

Cobos said the small districts in his area probably would not save much even if they were all under a single umbrella with one superintendent instead of four.

His Carrizozo district has three schools serving students in grades kindergarten through 12, but it has only one principal. Cobos is the only administrator other than the principal. He said he performs the jobs of activities director, budget analyst, transportation director and superintendent, all in one.

"We're skeletal," he said. Shirley Crawford, superintendent of the Capitan schools, runs an operation that is just as lean.

Her district, with more than twice as many students as Carrizozo, used to have three principals, one each for the elementary, middle and high school. She reduced the administrative tier this year to one principal for all three schools.

Now, just one principal races between three buildings and each school gets less attention.

"He walks seven miles a day," she said of the principal, Jerrett Perry.

Crawford said the paperwork demands on administrators had exploded in the last 15 years, given all the federal and state guidelines to answer for. Still, she is out of the office and accessible, even supervising two hours of lunch each day so her teachers have more time to do their jobs.

Fischmann said his goal

is not necessarily to cut expenses in small districts. Redirecting resources is another option.

He said this might mean a combined district could eliminate a couple of superintendent's jobs and add more teachers to put greater emphasis on kids and classrooms.

Crawford said even that system would have drawbacks. People in Capitan can meet with her just about any time they like to discuss a problem or idea. A superintendent responsible for schools in three or four towns would spend a lot of time driving and a lot less making schools better, she said.

Cobos said a merger of districts would not advance the Carrizozo schools in ways that he thinks are important.

"I'd love to have a band," he said. "We don't have enough kids."

Fischmann, who is on the Senate Education Committee, said his idea to shutter small districts is unpopular with many legislators. He admits he brought the bill because the Las Cruces district, with an enrollment of more than 24,000, is the only school system in his legislative district. That means he faces no political pressures from constituents.

Slightly annoyed with him, he said, is the chairwoman of the Senate Education Committee. That is Democrat Cynthia Nava, superintendent of the Gadsden Independent School District, an operation large enough for her to spend the 60-day legislative session in Santa Fe.

Nava hasn't scheduled a hearing for Fischmann's bill, and he said it is plain she is no fan of it.

Asked about its chances of receiving approval, Fischmann did not hesitate. "Slim," he said.

"But this doesn't have to pass to do some good by pushing the discussion. It's just such a hot potato politically."

## Over 100 make President's List

More than 100 ENMU-Ruidoso students were named to the President's List, Fall 2010 semester. To be eligible, a student must complete 12 or more credit hours with a 3.25 or higher GPA.

"These exemplary students excelled in their studies because of their determination and commitment," said ENMU-Ruidoso President Clayton Alred.

The President's List students are: Adela Alvarez, Krystal Andries, Summer Armstrong, Tonia Ashby, Brittanie Ashcraft, Rose Atchley, Thomas Austin, Erik Bearer, Dustin Bolden, Garrett Born, John Bowers, Andria Burgess, Eric Castillo, Chonito Caswell, Alexandria Chavez, Tessa Chavez, Lawrence Chee, Terry Christopher, Carol Cluff, Dorene Cly, John Collins, Jason Davis, Luana De Lucca dos

Santos, Carolina DeLucca, Stephanie Di Paolo, Hannah-Xiao Duke, Ariadne Eckerd, Tabitha Ewen, Emily Fisk, Jennifer Flores, Charie Flowers, Lisa Garcia, Marie Garcia, Clinton Garrison, Christopher Gay, Cheryl Gerthe, Dylan Girot, Christi Gonzales, Racheal Headley, Eugene Heathman, Dawn Huddleston, Nikkee Johnson, Casey Kacena, Teri Kelson-Bledsoe, Lesley Kring, Anna Kuykendall, Dolores Lamb, Melissa Largo, Michelle Lopez, Robert Lopez, Roberto Lopez, Peggy Lu Jane, Karra Lutterman, Margaret Madrid, Margaret Madrugá,

Vickie Matheny, Crystal McClellan, Diane Mecurdy, Cynthia Miguel, Teri-Ann Miles, James Miller, Leticia Monreal, Jeana Moore, Allouette Moquin, Nicole Nava, Summer O'Neal, Jessica Ortiz, Jessica

Painter, Simon Pawlak, Elena Pelcastre, Gabrielle Perez, Barbara Perine, Allyson Piedmont, William Pitt, Norma Pizarro, Victoria Ramirez, Carrie Remund, Alfred Richardson, Jeffery Riggan, Taylor Riggs, Deanna Roberts, Julie Rocha, Dominique Rue, Sandra Rue, Shanann Shuman, RaLynne Stanbrough, Raven Stewart, Katie Strecker, Joseph Strong, Amber Thompson, Beth Trochet, Everardo Trochet, Cynthia Trujillo, Dennis Trujillo, Bradley Tschirgi,

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# Village approves snow removal resolution

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After a storm walloped roads in Lincoln County late last month, Ruidoso village officials apparently decided the time is right and the seasonal population has grown enough to warrant an official snow and ice control plan.

The storm hit during the Christmas holiday, coating streets with ice, a condition hard enough for year-round residents to handle, and a real challenge for visitors from warmer climates in Texas and Mexico. In addition, the weather failed to offer relief in the form of intense sunshine that usually will melt off road snow and ice within a few hours and almost always within a day.

Village Street Director J. R. Baumann said he received more than 50 calls on his cell phone from people he didn't know complaining of road problems. The police were swamped with fender-bender type accidents and a tour bus on U.S. 54 south of Corona flipped on its side from icy conditions.

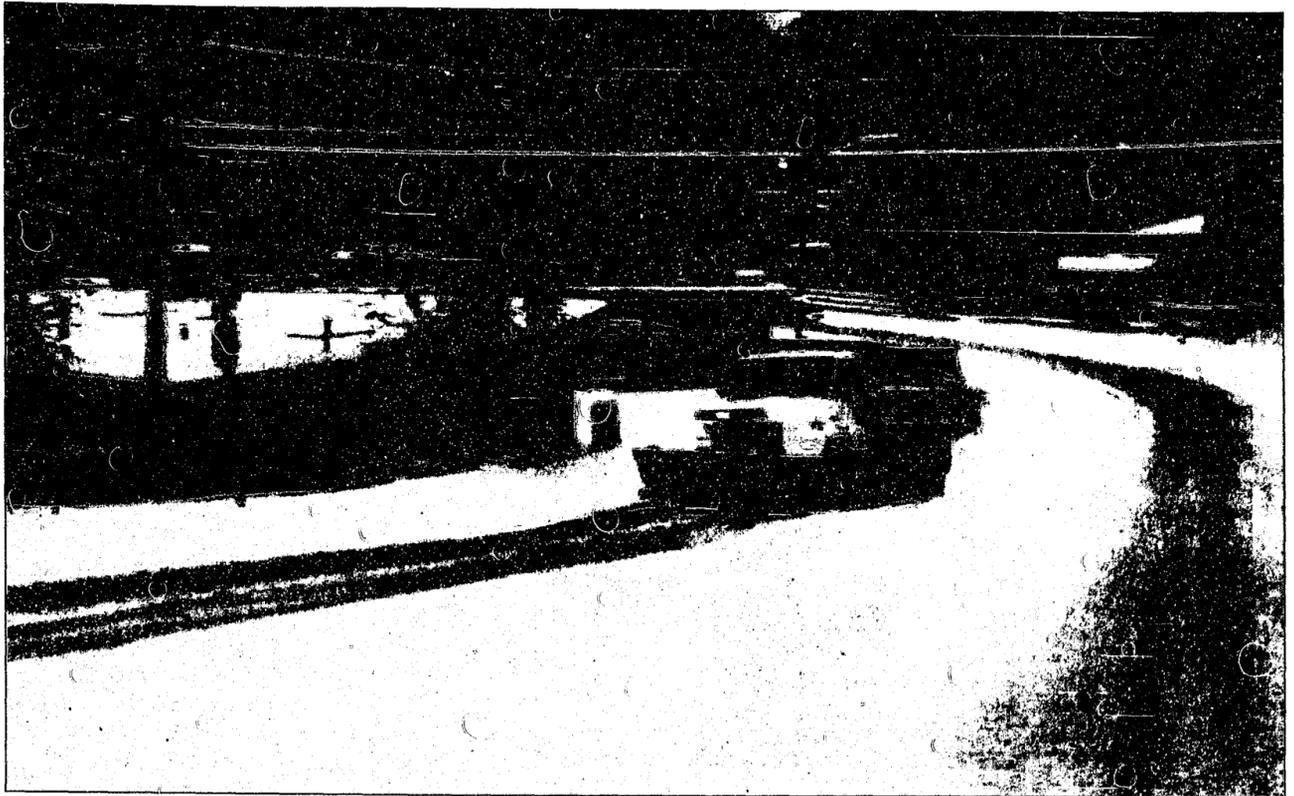
Village councilors last week approved a resolution as part of the control plan declaring state highways, Sudderth and Mechem Drives, as the first priority under an agreement with the state Department of Transportation. School bus routes would come next, arterial and collector streets and the municipal airport runway would be the third priority, and neighborhood streets and village-owned parking lots comprise the fourth list. Some streets also would be designated as salt/sand routes.

Baumann said previously, his department attacked snow removal and salt application under a one paragraph policy established in 1994, that stated the department would mobilize after dark only after about 4 inches of snow accumulated.

"This is more public-friendly and includes maps of each route," he told councilors. He was asked by Councilor Denise Dean if the maps could be posted somewhere in town for residents to view up close. The public library was suggested next door to village hall on Cree Meadow Drive and Kansas City Street.

Baumann said he will put together an easel display of the maps, and they also will be posted on the village website under the Street Department. That exposure should help reduce the number of telephone calls to the police department and will let people know equipment will not respond to the first few flakes of snow, he said.

With approval of the policy, a few changes pointed out by councilors included that Grindstone Canyon Road and Carrizo Canyon Road were moved to a first priority status for snow removal and salt dispersal. The list of media to contact with information for the public preceding and after a snow storm was expanded. A reference to trying to avoid leaving snow piled across driveway entrances was removed.



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Snow plows were out early Tuesday on Mechem Drive/Highway 48, a priority road for snow removal, according to a new village resolution.

streets, the council might want to remove it, because it certainly would generate calls for help from residents, Baumann and the other councilors agreed the reference should be removed, noting that public employees and equipment cannot work on private driveways.

Williams wondered if the village could contract with independent snowplows for that work and joked, "I only have a shovel."

But Baumann said the expense would be huge. Referring to the lack of snowfall during the 2010-2011 winter season, Councilor Jim Stoddard said, "I wish we had that problem this year."

Mayor Ray Alborn said he doesn't mind the piled snow at the end of his steep driveway, because it stops his car from continuing down a deep canyon, if it hits ice.

Councilor Rafael Salas

noticed that the driveways at the Village Fire Department and other emergency services are listed as a third priority. "That doesn't make sense," he said, but Assistant Fire Chief Harlan Vincent said the department "is almost there" in acquiring the necessary equipment to handle the clearing of its own driveway.

Councilor Angel Shaw pointed out that besides the two main highways, the streets given high priority were not chosen not by the council. They were picked, because they are school bus routes.

Dean also asked about a section dealing with delay of employees arriving at work, because of heavy snow. Village Manager Debi Lee said delays are allowed when condition warrant, but the time is deducted from accrued vacation or compensation hours.

The resolution also

allows Baumann to contract with independent companies, but he said in the past, that only occurred when he needed more dump trucks to removed high piles of snow in the middle of Sudderth Drive, and he didn't want to pull his 11 operators from their snow clearing duties on other streets. Lee said because the cost is under \$50,000, hiring the extra trucks is considered a small purchase that can be arranged with telephone quotes.

Those companies have the responsibility of providing their own liability insurance coverage.

The resolution calls for different procedures depending on the type of weather and if the conditions involve snow, or ice, sleet and freezing rain. If approved, snow events will be monitored for accumulation and once a road reaches the point where plowing would be effective, generally a

minimum of 3 inches to 5 inches, crews will be dispatched.

If the National Weather Service is forecasting a major rapid accumulation, crews will be activated earlier.

Ice, sleet or freezing rain normally trigger a more immediate response, according to the resolution. The village police department will be consulted before crews go off-duty to decide if overnight action is needed.

The Village Parks and Recreation Department is responsible for park occupied buildings and outdoor recreation facilities, as well as village hall and the public library.

Streets were prioritized and mapped, and routes established for various

crews. If the Street Director or Snow Control Duty Officer determine that road conditions are deteriorating, because of the intensity of a storm, a request will go to the village manager in consultation with the mayor to issue a storm emergency declaration.

"The declaration will ask residents to delay all nonessential travel and if travel is absolutely necessary, to require that vehicles be equipped with four-wheel drive and/or chains," according to the submitted control plan. Also covered is a emergency or dangerous condition notification system for employees, who may be traveling from other areas in the county to reach their job assignments.

## 17 roads take priority

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Under the official snow/ice control plan approved Tuesday by the Ruidoso Village Council, 17 roads are clustered as first priority for snow removal.

Besides the two main roads through the village, State Highways 48/37 (Sudderth and Mechem), the other roads are Paradise Canyon Road, Hull Road, Gavilan Canyon Road, Cree Meadows Drive, Country Club Drive, Eagle Drive, White Mountain Drive, Grindstone Canyon Road, Carrizo Creek Road, Warrior Drive, El Paso Road, Center Street, Reese Drive, Mescalero Trail and Main Road. They all are major connectors, support the Midtown historic shopping core or serve schools and government.

Roads on the salt/sand list are the traffic lights on Sudderth, Upper Canyon bridges, Mechem Drive to Ski Run Road, White Mountain Drive, Grindstone and Carrizo, Hull Road, Warrior Drive, Cree Meadows Drive, Sudderth, Evergreen Road, Paradise Canyon Road, Country Club Drive, Homestead Acres/Gavilan, Chase Street, Skylane Drive, Eagle Drive and Center Street.

Thirty roads are on the second level of priority for snow removal and 12 lined up for salt/sand. The group includes Porr Avenue, Cliff Drive, Virginia Canyon, Brady Canyon Road, Ebarb Drive, Perk Canyon Drive, Flume Canyon Drive, First Street, Grove Street, Fir Drive, Shady Land, Rio Arriba Road, Mockingbird Lane, University Drive, Starlite Road, Rim Road, Warwick Drive, Crown Drive, Camelot Drive, Excalibur Road,

Hart Avenue, Snowcap Drive, McBride Drive, Timberline Road, L.L. Davis Drive, College Drive, Wingfield Street, D Street and Fifth Street.

All other residential streets and parking lots are lumped into the third priority list,

Under the Snow and Ice Control Plan, staff wrote that depending on the intensity of a storm, up to 20 employees per shift are required to control village roadways, parking lots, safe routes for schools and other areas.

The primary responsibility and authority for implementing the plan is the village Street Department, and responders come from that department's crews. Although the department director is in charge, a Snow Control Duty Officer will be responsible for the day-to-day control operations and initial call-outs of crews.

### 'On call' contingency

As a contingency, an "on-call" contract will be established with an outside contractor, who has the necessary equipment and personnel to assist as needed during huge snow events, determined by the Snow Control Duty Officer.

Employees from other departments will be activated when needed to assist in clearing selected public sidewalks, approved safe routes to school, village maintained parking and walkways.

Normal working hours for street department crews are from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The plan outlines plowing techniques, which include pushing snow to the sunny side of impacted areas, whenever practical, which is not in heavy snow.

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# Ordinance changes target itinerant vendors

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With changes to four village ordinances and policies narrowly approved by Ruidoso councilors, officials are hoping for smoother handling of itinerant vendors and special events in the future.

The changes aim to encourage use of public property for special events, create a safe environment and ensure participants are properly licensed and pay gross receipts taxes.

The vote to approve last week was unanimous on three of the changes, but split 4-2 with Councilors Rafael Salas and Denise Dean voting against the new operations plan for village-owned and publicly used properties.

Deputy Village Manager Bill Morris told councilors a task force assigned to review whether itinerant vendors should be allowed, and if they are, on what basis, met five times and came back with recommended changes in four documents.

The task force recommendations are based on encouraging special events on public land, changing operation guidelines for the village convention center and banning itinerant vendors except during special events operating under a permit or as a sanctioned convention center event.

The first step toward those goals was to recommend deleting references to itinerant vendors being allowed as a conditional use under the C2, neighborhood commercial, and C3, Midtown commercial zoning designations, except as part of a valid special event.

The change would in no way effect current rules that allow existing businesses to conduct sidewalk sales of their normal merchandise for three-consecutive days each. Councilors agreed to add a twice-a-year limit on such sales that occur on private land.

The exception to the twice a year rule would be if an event is staged on public property, such as Wingfield Park or the convention center, Morris said.

"The justification is that the village spent a considerable amount of money improving public spaces that are designed for a large number of people, with parking and safety provisions," he said. "That allows the taxpayer to benefit from the money spent."

When large events are staged, the organizer must be registered with a business license through the village and the individual vendors will work under that umbrella, Morris said.

However, each vendor must have an individual gross receipts taxpayer identification number and be registered with the state.

Changes also were approved regarding security personnel requirements for special events with alcohol sales, leaving the final decision up to the village manager.

"A garden show may not need quite the security as a cage fight," Morris said.

To ensure consistency, an operations manual was developed not exclusively for the convention center, but or use of all village-owned property that can be used by the public for special events.

One of the first changes is to allow the village to remarket the time set aside for a sanctioned event, if the center is not going to be used.

"We have a chance to remarket even if they paid their fees, to maximize the money coming into the convention center each month," Morris said.

Councilor Jim Stoddard asked about the time frame for a group to notify the village an event was going to be canceled and Morris said 30 days after the rental agreement is signed. After that, the organizer would not receive a refund and rather than allow the



Dean: "I don't want to hurt business, but I want to take special events that draw a lot of people to safer public places."

building to sit unused, the village could resell the time and hold onto the first rent.

"What incentive is there for someone to notify us, if they're going to lose the money?" Councilor Don Williams asked.

"To retain their sanctioned event status," Morris replied. "I think it's safe to say most know what they are doing within 30 days of an annual event."

Salas questioned why special permission would be needed to re-rent. "If they don't use it, simply reject them as a sanctioned event and then, why would we have to get permission to rent to another?" he asked.

Morris said the text reads that a special event must use the entire building and it cannot be rented and then not used. The clause was inserted, because that situation occurred with one event.

Williams said the penalty should be a definite revocation of sanctioned event status, not the possibility

given to all event promoters.

"We can only follow the rules we know of," she said. "I understand that the convention center must be run as a business."

She began discussing language to accommodate exceptions and Councilor Angel Shaw interjected that the council wants to get away from conditional uses and variances, because issues get too muddy.

Ruidoso business owner Andrea Reed asked councilors to consider reducing rules, not increasing them, as a way of encouraging a free society. Unless protection of the health, safety and welfare of the public is involved, the government should back away, she contended. How does limiting outdoor sales to three consecutive days affect the health, safety and welfare of citizens, she asked.

"It's hard to earn a living. As a dancer, I may have to dance in the streets for nickels and dimes someday, but I couldn't under these rules," she said, asking for reconsideration and a delay in voting.

Mayor Ray Alborn said itinerant vendors are affecting his health. "Every time I drive downtown and see an itinerant vendor, it makes me sick to my stomach," he told Reed.

Dean said she still had a few concerns, and although she served on the task force, she was ill and missed the last meeting.

While she understands that large special events are economically good for the community and a beneficial use of public property, the safety and welfare of pedestrians is affected if they have to cross busy streets without proper safeguards.

She said recently a woman and child were killed by a truck as they tried to cross a street in Roswell.

"I don't want to hurt business, but I want to take special events that draw a lot of people to safer public

places," Dean said. "I don't think any special events should be allowed on Mechem Drive or Sudderth Drive, where a person could die. It's not worth it."

A special event should be staged where parking is ample and no one has to cross a busy street, she said.

Dean said she didn't even agree that Schoolhouse Park, which is owned by the village, should be used for special events, because of the spillover of parking down Sudderth and the heavy movement of pedestrians back and forth across that state highway to another business.

A better option is a site outside of Midtown with enough parking on-site, Dean said. She asked councilors to meet one more time and go over some of the concerns of the chamber, and to consider banning special events on Mechem and Sudderth.

After the last big event on Sudderth, she received many calls from worried visitors and locals about the danger to pedestrians. She clarified that sidewalk sales by stores in Midtown would not be effected.

Morris pointed out that the village stages Christmas in the Park at Schoolhouse Park and the Festival of Lights Parade in Midtown on Sudderth.

Two community clean-up events also are based at Schoolhouse. Salas said part of the Run for the Beach cancer awareness and fund raising event for mammograms also is staged on Sudderth.

Stoddard asked if the council was pressed for time to pass the modified rules. Shaw said the task force hoped to send letters to promoters well in advance, to ensure they all understand the rules. She said the village won't issue permits for special events on Sudderth and Mechem, if they don't meet the safety criteria of the state Department of Transportation.

Morris said he will check the wording and agreed such action by a renter would violate the basic criteria for use of the center by a sanctioned event.

A section in the operations manual banning retail sales events from Memorial Day through Aspenfest weekend and other specified times was eliminated.

The village has a stake in encouraging the use of the convention center year-around, Morris said.

Other changes included moving up the subsidy rate reduction on rents for sanctioned events by one year, and a line was added that event promoters must conduct their activity for at least five consecutive years before asking that it be designated as a sanctioned event.

Sandi Aguilar, executive director of the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce, said her organization supported the proposed changes and asked that a guide to the rules be

## Convention center costs not 'surprising'

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The remodeling and renovation of the Ruidoso Convention Center will run \$212,948.39 more than budgeted, but the additional costs were not unexpected, says the deputy village manager.

Last week, village councilors approved the added money to come from a special tax paid on overnight rentals in Ruidoso. They were following a recommendation from the Lodgers Tax Committee.

Bill Morris told councilors that the village secured a \$1.4 million loan from the New Mexico Finance Authority for the project, "with the anticipation of future Lodgers Tax contributions to complete the project," he said.

The contract for the construction work was bid at \$1,295,065 by Jack Wayte Construction. Change orders were submitted for \$146,416.59 and the gross receipts tax came to \$127,234.21, bringing the total to \$1,568,715.80.

Additional costs in the amount of \$91,122.59 paid or anticipated are not related to construction, bringing the difference between the loan and expenses for the project to \$212,948.39.

Morris detailed them as \$16,293 for landscaping; a water softener that came in at \$3,030.64; a rug scrubber at \$16,293.75; furnishing for \$16,214.45; painting, picture and fire mantle art for \$21,730; and architectural fees of \$17,560.

Councilor Jim Stoddard doubled-checked that the RLTC backed the extra payment.

Councilor Denise Dean asked, "Didn't we know we would need office furniture?"

Morris said the expense was anticipated as coming from lodgers tax revenue, but was not part of the construction budget.

"We knew there would be expenses," Morris said.

"So you were not surprised at the last minute?" Dean asked.

Morris said several items were added along the way as walls were removed and opportunities to tackle a project came up. Three north-facing doors were rusted, and vinyl wallpaper was cut and couldn't be replaced because it no longer is manufactured.

"There were code issues, because the center was built so long ago," Councilor Angel Shaw noted.

At the mention of code, Village Manager Debi Lee reflected on recent newspa-

per interviews with the State Fire Marshal and Morris on possible fire code problems with the placement of a fire suppression sprinkler system and some decorative trim in a entry potentially being an issue.

Lee said despite the publicity that a problem might exist with code compliance or the inspection process, "(The center) is safe and in compliance with fire codes."

Assistant Ruidoso Fire Chief Harlan Vincent talked to the state, and the fire marshal or representatives came down twice to examine the situation, she said.

In other comments, Mayor Ray Alborn:

- congratulated members of Red Feather Theater group, who presented a play at Ruidoso High School by Oscar Wilde titled *The Importance of Being Earnest*. "They all used British dialects and never missed a beat," he said. "They did a remarkable job, especially to a guy like me (who isn't normally a period play fan)."
- introduced Gina Kelley, the village's new director of tourism.
- thanked Brad Treptow for his service on the Ruidoso Lodgers Tax Committee. He resigned due to schedule demands.

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**RUIDOSO NEWS**

# After delay, work to begin on permanent bridges

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More than two years ago, flood waters on the Rio Ruidoso torn out bridges on Eagle Drive and on streets throughout the historic Upper Canyon tourist area.

Village street crews, aided by help from other departments, raced to reconstruct some of the most vital connections to rescue stranded homeowners and open areas to emergency vehicles.

The next step involved installation of temporary block culverts to act as bridges until permanent span-type structures, better suited to withstand floods, were built.

"It's been a two-year process and they haven't met any of the dates they committed to us," Capital

Projects Director Randall Camp told village councilors Tuesday about the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

"I was told in November, the Finding of No Significant Impact would be signed any day," he said. "I received it today and it was dated Nov. 11, but no one could find it. We lost two months with us, the engineers and Homeland Security calling."

If the village had moved ahead before receiving the FONSI, any money spent to replace bridges or sewer lines previously in the riverbed would have been at Ruidoso's own risk, Camp said.

The FONSI is required for completion of the Environmental Assessment, which is required before purchasing the

bridges and issuing a request for proposals to engineer a design for the sewer line relocation project.

The next approval must come from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, he said, and that agency's officials are promising a two-week turn-around.

"It's pretty straight forward," Camp said. "We're putting bridges back where they were and we have the FONSI from FEMA."

Construction is anticipated to begin no later than Memorial Day, with Eagle Drive topping the schedule. First and Second Bridges on Main Street in Upper Canyon will be tackled around tourist flows as long as weather allows. Other bridges on the high priority list are McDaniel Drive, Coyote Lane, Sleep Hollow

Road, River Trail, Robin Road, Close Road and North Loop Road #2.

Camp also briefed councilors on the status of a study titled Restoration Strategy and Payment for Ecosystem Services in the Rio Ruidoso Watershed.

Councilors approved a resolution for a \$120,000 grant with a \$30,000 match from the village. The proposal was submitted by the South Central Mountain Resource Conservation and Development Council and is deemed critical to protect the Rio Ruidoso watershed and the village's water supply from catastrophic damage as a result of fire or flooding.

If the village doesn't proceed with the grant immediately, it could lose the funding. The match will come from the village water

enterprise fund. Village Manager Debi Lee said she will place the item on the agenda of the River Restoration and Improvement Committee, charged with selecting projects that benefit the river to be paid for with portions of \$1 million ordered by the court to be designated by the village of Ruidoso.

## Slow to approve

The committee has been slow to approve projects, but Lee said she thought the members were waiting to identify other project and to hire the firm Stream Dynamics.

"It's a water security issue," Camp said. "It focuses on the upper reaches of the Rio Ruidoso" involving U.S. Forest Service land. If a fire or flood occurred, the result-

ing silting would kill the fish and ruin the area for the village's water supply, he said.

The approach of going after water supply security is progressive and also should be pursued in the Eagle Creek Watershed, he said.

"We need leverage to get other agencies to do what we need and to go after more money," he said. The document can be used to pursue grants focused on protecting the village's water supply from catastrophic damage.

With a thick forest canopy, rainfall now evaporates before it can hit the ground, Camp said. "Aggressive forest thinning would restore the watershed and safeguard the village's critical water supply," he said.

# Foam fire suppression system being built for RFD

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A compressed air foam fire suppression system will be installed on a fire engine being built in California for the Ruidoso Fire Department.

And Village Councilor Jim Stoddard was pleased when the vote was unanimous last week. He had advocated the need for such a system for more than a year during discussions with the village's former fire chief.

Before the vote, Stoddard told other board mem-

bers, "I encourage the council to approve this. It being left off was one of two reasons I opposed (the purchase of the engine previously). It's so instrumental in fighting fires in a safe manner and it significantly reduces the type of harm that occurs with (fighting fires with) water."

Harlan Vincent, assistant fire chief, said when he advertised for bids, he received two requests for the paperwork, but only one response was submitted by the deadline Jan. 14. The response was from Fire Trucks Plus Inc. of



Stoddard: "It's so instrumental in fighting fires in a safe manner."

California for a total bid of \$55,500. The price includes installation.

Councilor Denise Dean said she saw nothing in the bid about a warranty.

Vincent said while Fire Trucks Plus is building the engine, work already awarded, Hale Manufacturing will handle the installation. Hale is just

down the street from Fire Trucks Plus, and will act as the subcontractor.

Dean said she'd like a five year warranty in writing from Hale.

Vincent said Fire Plus will fly the fire department's mechanic to California for training on how to service the system. It must pass inspection annually by the New Mexico Department of Public Safety for

the warranty to stay in effect.

Councilor Gloria Sayers asked if the foam compression system was left off before as a result of an oversight or a difference of opinion.

Vincent said it was a difference of opinion.

Sayers asked about the average life of a fire truck and Vincent said about 10 years, but the loan on the fire truck purchase is for 15 years.

"We try to take really good care," Vincent said. "It's only driven on certain calls, not every alarm."

# Hubbard museum attendance drops for the year

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While attendance at the Hubbard Museum of the American West increased year-over-year in November and December of 2010, the boost failed to overcome a large drop for the entire year.

"Perhaps the biggest disappointment during 2010 was a 16 percent decrease in attendance from 2009," wrote the museum's interim director Jim Kofakis in

a Jan. 24 report to the city council.

"Obviously the depressed national economy had an impact here as it did throughout Lincoln County, but this is troubling to say the least."

Kofakis said he has implemented a changes in regard to exhibits in a hope of boosting attendance.

"I have tasked the staff to change their 'mind set' regarding the contents of exhibits to start with the question, 'What type of

exhibits would our potential visitors be willing to pay to see?' We know when our busiest season is, and the demographic make-up of these visitors, so we need exhibits that go directly to their interests."

December had a hefty increase in attendance, up 70 percent from 2009's 1,057. But 450 of December's admissions were complimentary to accommodate clearance sale shoppers.

During late November

and much of December the museum's gift shop had an inventory clearance sale. Kofakis said the five week sale far exceeded expectations with \$16,780 in sales.

The museum was given to the city in August 2005 by racetrack owner R. D. Hubbard and his wife Joan Dale. During 2005 the museum had 21,172 visitors pass through its doors. In 2006 the figure went to 27,414 and peaked in 2007 at 30,932, according to statistics from the museum.

But the numbers dropped in 2008 at 26,844. In 2009 it was at 26,338. Last year was 22,271.

The summer months bring the largest number of museum visitors.

The city is hoping the state will accept the museum property and provide some funding through the New Mexico Department of Cultural Affairs. A proposed operating agreement between the department

and the city would allow the city to continue to operate the facility. Kofakis said the accord would be a positive.

"While this agreement will not become functional without monetary appropriations in the upcoming legislative session, it is the foundation to secure the museum's future without a substantial draw against the (City of Ruidoso Downs) general fund."

# Downs approves budget adjustments

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Adjustments to the Ruidoso Downs 2010-2011 budget were approved Monday by city councilors.

"Most of the departments have just moved money around so nobody changed their bottom line," Finance Director Terri Mosley told councilors. "We did have some revenue adjustments. We received some money that we hadn't originally budgeted for so we included those."

## Overtime questioned

The adjustments received minimal scrutiny by councilors. But Councilor Dean Holman questioned the city-run public transportation operation.

"The reason for the large amount of overtime (for Lincoln County Transit), did that have to do with relocating the facilities perhaps?" Holman asked.

Mayor Tom Armstrong said he did not believe the

overtime was the result of Lincoln County Transit's moved from the west side of Ruidoso to the east part of Ruidoso Downs.

"I think the overtime was created from having to call in certain people over there a lot of times. The transit was doing their business as usual. As they were moving there were only two people. The city's public works helped in a big way in making that move. The overtime is because of the personnel having to work over the time. They have their schedule and they have to be able to run that time."

## Transit driver turnover

Armstrong also noted there is a lot of driver turnover at Lincoln County Transit.

The annual overtime budget of \$7,500 was increased to \$10,000. The total non-overtime budget for part-time Lincoln County Transit part-time positions is \$45,000.

Holman said having part-time drivers with overtime may be preferable to full-time employees that would also receive perks like health insurance and retirement funding.

"I have always been in favor of part-time when possible," Holman said. "I'd rather see the overtime

than the full-time employees with all those benefits."

Mosley said the Hubbard Museum of the American West budget had adjustments on both the revenue and expenditure sides to "show a truer picture of the actual dollars being receipted and expenditures."



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## side line

### Ski Report

**Ski Apache**  
The snow resort is open daily 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. You may call 464-1234 for the latest ski report and information. The ski report is culled from www.ski-apachesnowreport.com  
**Tickets:** Season passes are normally available by phone at 464-3600.  
**New snow past 48 hrs.:** 16 inches  
**Season total:** 43 inches  
**Mid-mountain snow:** 40 inches  
**Snow surface:** Powder  
**Weather for Wednesday:** Snow showers. Very cold. Wind chills approaching -20F. High 8F. Winds E at 10 to 20 mph. Chance of snow 50%. About one inch of snow expected. Wednesday evening bitterly cold. Snow showers early with a chance of lingering snow showers later. Low -4F. Winds ENE at 5 to 10 mph. Chance of snow 50%. By evening, 12 to 16 inches of snow is expected. Above the altitude of 7,500 feet as much as 25 inches could fall.  
**Weather for Thursday:** Snow showers at times. Highs in the upper teens and lows in the low teens.  
**Groomed runs:** Bunny, Easy Street, Ramp, Lower Deep Freeze, Lower Moonshine, Smokey Bear, Snow Park, Chino and Moonshine Gulch  
**Lifts open:** No. 2 (open to Midway), No. 3, No. 4 and No. 5. Gondola open, weather permitting

### Results

#### Girls Basketball

**Tuesday, Feb. 3**  
All games were canceled  
**Saturday, Jan. 29**  
Carrizozo 43, Hondo 28  
**Friday, Feb. 28**  
Lovington 75, Ruidoso 63  
Reserve 47, Corona 30  
**Thursday, Jan. 27**  
Dexter JV 36, Capitan JV 25  
Capitan 47, Dexter 36

#### Boys Basketball

**Tuesday, Feb. 3**  
All games were canceled  
**Saturday, Jan. 29**  
Ruidoso 61, NMMI 50  
Hondo 54, Carrizozo 44  
**Friday, Jan. 28**  
Lovington 62, Ruidoso 42  
Reserve 69, Corona 33  
**Thursday, Jan. 27**  
Mescalero 74, Carrizozo 55

### Sports On Tap

#### Basketball

**Girls**  
**Thursday, Feb. 3**  
Vaughn at Hondo, 5 p.m.  
**Friday, Feb. 4**  
Gateway at Capitan, 4 p.m.  
Portales at Ruidoso, 5:30 p.m.  
Hagerman at Mescalero, 5 p.m.  
**Monday, Feb. 7**  
Lake Arthur at Corona, 5 p.m.  
**Tuesday, Feb. 8**  
Hondo at Carrizozo, 4 p.m.  
Mescalero at Capitan, 4 p.m.  
**Boys**  
**Thursday, Feb. 3**  
Vaughn at Hondo, 6:30 p.m.  
**Friday, Feb. 4**  
Portales at Ruidoso, 5:30 p.m.  
Gateway at Capitan, 4 p.m.  
Hagerman at Mescalero, 7 p.m.  
**Monday, Feb. 7**  
Lake Arthur at Corona, 5 p.m.  
**Tuesday, Feb. 8**  
Hondo at Carrizozo, 4 p.m.  
Mescalero at Capitan, 4 p.m.  
Valley Christ. at Corona, 5 p.m.

### On Deck

#### Little League Baseball

Registration for Ruidoso Little League Baseball will take place Tuesday, Feb. 8, at the Community Youth Center Warehouse, from 5 to 7 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 10, at the Capitan Schools cafeteria, from 5 to 7 p.m. and Saturday, Feb. 12, at the Community Youth Center Warehouse, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. For information contact Brian Mosher at 937-8749.

#### Indoor Pickle Ball

The First Baptist Church, across from Cree Meadows Country club, is making the gym available to anyone who wants to play pickle ball during February on Thursday evenings, Feb. 10, 17 and 24 from 6 to 9 p.m. Players must wear tennis shoes and sign a release of liability form. No equipment is necessary. Paddles, balls and instruction will be available.

## Weightlifting shows results

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**H**ead football coach Kief Johnson has been saying all along the after-school weightlifting program is yielding results and Friday he backed up those claims with proof – a powerlifting performance, which featured 17 participating students, including one female, Triesta Chavez.

All 17 performers were headliners Friday as they showed their parents, and the community at large, just what they're capable of, how far they've come and what a commitment to disciplined conditioning can come to mean.

The event started at 6 p.m. and ended about 8 p.m.

"We had a good crowd on hand and the onlookers got a good opportunity to see just how hard these young people have been working in the weight room," Johnson said.

"It was inspiring watch-



LAYNE HOLLAND/FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

**Sergio Nava** squats 355 pounds while weightlifting coach Rel (blue shirt) serves as a safety net for the student.

ing all the kids exhibit the will to get their chosen weights up and do their personal best – whether it was bigger students getting

heavier weights up or younger kids putting up heavy weights to them."

Each student competed in three lifts – the bench

press, squat and dead lift. The totals of the three spoke to their own progress.

Four of the athletes

topped the 1,000-pound aggregate – Tanner Chavez

(1,435 pounds), Sam

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## Ruidoso Warriors lose one, win one

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**T**he Ruidoso Warriors traveled to Lovington Friday and left with a 62-42 loss but recovered Saturday at home as they downed the visiting New Mexico Military Institute (NMMI) Colts, 61-50, to even their overall record at 10-10.

This was the first D4-3A contest for both teams and with their win the Wildcats go to 1-0 in district while the Warriors suffered their first district loss.

Portales, the other district rival in D4 is currently 11-7 overall and has yet to play a district game.

That omission will be rectified Friday when the Rams show up for a 7 p.m. tilt.

"At Lovington the boys started hard but shortly thereafter were unable to make some of the more easy baskets and 3-pointers," Ruidoso head coach Dennis Davis said.

"The Wildcats capital-

ized on our mistakes. They're fast and athletic and converted our miscues into fast-break opportunities.

"The Lovington game wasn't terrible for the Warriors but it wasn't really who we are."

Saturday's home-court win over NMMI, with only 24 hours of rest, was a horse of another color.

The first quarter ended with NMMI up 14-13, but the next 24 minutes of play was all Ruidoso.

At the half-way mark the Warriors hit the locker rooms with a 31-26 lead and increased their advantage to 15, 45-30, going into the last period of play.

At that point, Davis started inserting most of his players on the bench for some needed experience and court play.

In fact, 14 players on the Ruidoso roster saw playing time in the NMMI win and nine of the Warriors contributed points to the winning cause.



MIKE CURRAN/RUIDOSO NEWS

**Daniel Salazar** goes up for two in Saturday's 61-50 win over the visiting Institute Colts.

The Ruidoso defense was extremely stingy in the third quarter, only allowing the Colts to score four points.

"I know we beat the Colts but we're going to have to do better in the games we have coming up," Davis said.

"We put a lot into the game the night before, but in fairness to NMMI, they

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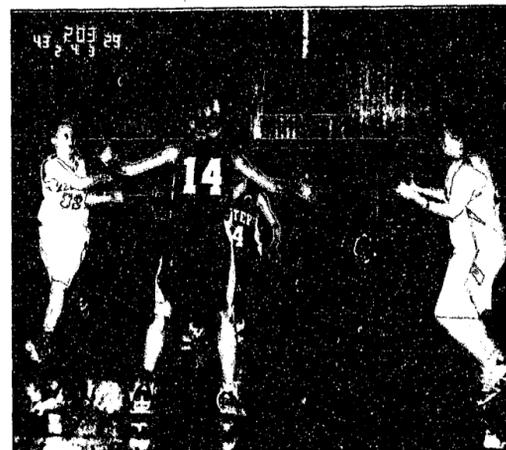
## Capitan Lady Tigers expunge Demons

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The Capitan Lady Tigers excised the visiting Dexter Demons Thursday, 47-36, in front a hometown crowd.

Capitan roared out to an 18-6 lead in the first quarter, due to two 3-pointers Jamie Fields cashed in and the three layups each Dustee Rae Eldridge and Kaitlin Keaton made.

Keaton continued her hot hand in the second quarter, dumping in eight



JULIE CARTER/RUIDOSO NEWS

**Scherylah Romero**, left, passes to Capitan's Kaitlin Keaton.



JULIE CARTER/RUIDOSO NEWS

**Kaitlin Keaton** has the better grab. Keaton was high scorer, (20) in Capitans 47-36 win over Dexter Thursday.

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# LIFT

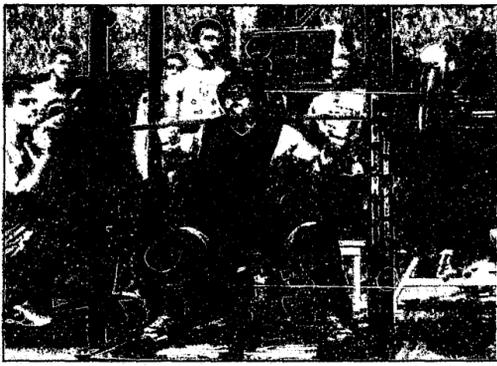
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Williams (1,315), Mathew Carr (1,285) and Warren McCracken (1,175). Triesta Chavez totaled out at 605 pounds.

"The weightlifting instructor, coach Rel, has really gotten these kids enthused about the after-school conditioning program," Johnson said.

"The parents and spectators at Friday's event were responsive to the presentation. Those interested in the upcoming RHS football schedule asked the question, 'If they're this strong now, how much stronger could they be when the season begins?'"

"Our players are seeing huge results and can't wait for the season to get start-



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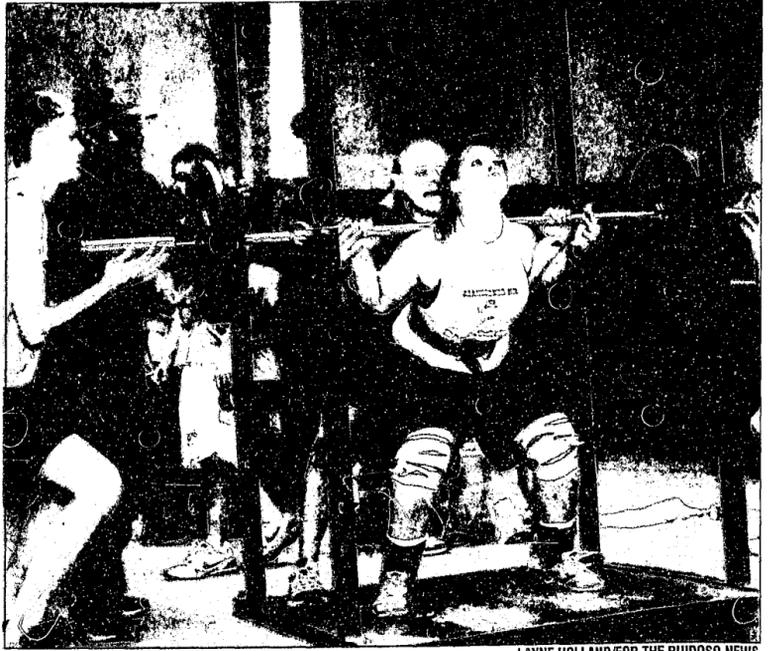
**Tanner Chavez** squats 555 pounds and lifted the highest total at the exhibition with a score of 1,435 pounds.

ed. They want to dominate the field."

Five participants lifted totals in the 900-pound range: Parker Johnson (985), Dylan Volquardson (955), George Morgan (945), Bruce Klinekole (935) and Sergio Nava (915).

"During my tenure at RHS this is the largest number of weightlifters we've had in the program. It's gratifying to see their commitment."

The 2011 football season should see bigger, stronger players on the field of play.



LAYNE HOLLAND/FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

**Triesta Chavez** is shown squatting 245 pounds and collected a 605-pound total for the night.

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played Friday evening, also."

The Colts are a young,

inexperienced squad and their hardwood play showed that.

Their passes were off the mark most of the night, allowing the RHS ball-hawks to stop many of the NMMI offensive plays

and turn them into Ruidoso scores.

Ismail Cook was the leading Warrior scorer with 18 and Terrence Shields pumped in 14. Each player shot two 3-pointers.

Shields was deadly from the line scoring six-of-six while Cook sank both of his free throws.

The Warriors will have played Roswell at home Tuesday before preparing for their big district battle

with Portales Friday.

"We're going to have to work hard on cutting down on mistakes if we expect to do well against the Rams," Davis said.

"We'll focus on making good decisions. The War-

riors are capable but we have some growing to do to get to the level I want them at.

"Portales is ranked in the top five in 3A and we'll need to give it our best effort."

# TIGERS

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more points, and helped her team-mates outscore the Demons, 12-6, enabling the Lady Tigers to take a 30-to-12 lead into the locker rooms at the half.

In the third and fourth periods of play, the visitors outscored the Capitan girls, 6-5 and 15-12 respectively, but it was not nearly enough to overcome the Lady Tigers dominance in the first two quarters of

play.

Thursday's victory saw 13 players see floor time and marked the Lady Tigers second consecutive win (both over Dexter) and improved their overall record to 6-9.

Keaton's stellar play on the floor netted her 20 points for the night and Eldridge also cracked the double-digit mark with 10.

Tuesday's game at Mescalero was canceled due to the weather but the Lady Tigers are scheduled to entertain Gateway Christian Friday at home Friday.



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**Scheryiah Romero** looks for a way around two Dexter defenders.



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**Dustee Eldridge** tries a jumper in traffic.

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# POLICE & COURTS

## RUIDOSO DOWNS POLICE BRIEFS

Jan. 23

12:10 a.m. - Officer Martin Valenzuela and Lincoln County Deputy Sheriff Robert Taylor responded to the 100 block of East Drive for a report of criminal damage to property.

Valenzuela reports the victim said this was the third time someone had broken a window in her home.

Valenzuela and Taylor were unable to find what broke the window or locate anyone in the area.

10:52 p.m. - Corporal Joseph Bailey responded to the 200 block of Friedenbloom for a report of a domestic incident.

The victim reportedly said he and his girlfriend

were watching the football game and drinking and she became upset at the result of the game, so he reportedly left to give her time to calm down.

The victim reportedly went to the manager's residence. The girlfriend reportedly came to the manager's residence, knocked on the door and when the victim opened the door, struck him in the face.

Bailey reports there was a small laceration and a bump above the victim's right eye.

According to the victim, the girlfriend then demanded his clothes, so he undressed and gave her his clothes and she left.

Bailey reports that he was unable to find the woman, so he called Dep-

uty District Attorney Reed Thompson. Thompson authorized requesting a warrant for the arrest of the girlfriend, Jennifer Stefani, 37. Magistrate Judge Lorena LaMay signed the warrant.

Jan. 24

9:32 a.m. - Officer Carolee Jones reported seeing Jennifer Stefani driving on Friedenbloom.

When Stefani parked her car, Jones reportedly approached her and told her she was under arrest for driving without a license. Stefani reportedly denied driving and said she was on private property.

Jones reports that Stephani's license was revoked.

## RUIDOSO MAGISTRATE COURT CASES

Disorderly plea

Andres Sanchez appeared in court Jan. 13, waived the right to legal representation and pleaded no contest to a charge of disorderly conduct under a plea and disposition agreement reached with Deputy District Attorney Reed Thompson.

Under the agreement, the State dismissed a charge of assault against a household member and Judge Lorena LaMay sentenced Sanchez to a 182 day suspended jail term, 182 days of supervised probation and suspended \$300 of a \$500 fine.

LaMay also ordered Sanchez to find a job and remain employed and to pay \$73 in court costs.

Two cases

William Woods appeared in court for two cases Jan. 18 and pleaded no contest to charges of aggravated driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs (1st offense), speeding and driver must be licensed under a plea and disposition agreement reached by Public Defender Mandy Denson and Assistant District Attorney John Bernitz.

Under the agreement, the State dismissed charges of aggravated DWI 2nd offense and failure to maintain lane.

Judge Lorena LaMay sentenced Woods to a suspended 90 day jail term, 364 days of supervised probation and 24 hours of community service, with \$200 of a \$500 fine suspended on the DWI charge.

Under the agreement, LaMay sentenced Woods to 90 days of supervised probation for the driving without a license to run concurrent with the probation for the DWI.

LaMay also ordered Woods to pay \$100 of a \$300 fine for driving without a license.

Unlicensed

Freddie Apache appeared in court Jan. 18 and

pleaded no contest to a charge of driver must be licensed under a plea and disposition agreement reached by Public Defender Mandy Denson and Assistant District Attorney John Bernitz.

Under the agreement, the State dismissed a charge of driving while license revoked and Judge Lorena LaMay sentenced Apache to 90 days on supervised probation and ordered him to pay a \$200 fine.

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

Suspended license

Beatrice Torres appeared in court Jan. 18 and pleaded no contest to a charge of driving while license suspended.

Judge Lorena LaMay sentenced Torres to 25 days in jail, already served, 339 days of supervised probation and a \$300 fine.

LaMay also ordered Torres to pay \$200 in bench warrant fees and \$75 in court costs.

License deal

Robert Eriacho appeared in court Jan. 18 and pleaded no contest to a charge of driver must be licensed under a plea and disposition agreement reached by Public Defender Mandy Denson and Assistant District Attorney John Bernitz.

Under the agreement, the State dismissed a charge of driving while license suspended or revoked and Judge Lorena LaMay sentenced Eriacho to 90 days of unsupervised probation and a \$100 fine.

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

Under the agreement, the State dismissed a charge of driving on a revoked license and Judge Lorena LaMay sentenced Martinez to 90 days of unsupervised probation and a \$50 fine.

License deal

Luis Davila appeared in court Jan. 18 and pleaded no contest to a charge of driver must be licensed under a plea and disposition agreement reached by Public Defender Mandy Denson and Assistant Dis-

trict Attorney John Bernitz.

Under the agreement, the State dismissed a charge of driving while license suspended or revoked and Judge Lorena LaMay sentenced Davila to 90 days of unsupervised probation and a \$100 fine.

LaMay also ordered Davila to pay \$81 court costs.

Probation violation

Rex Debord appeared in court Jan. 18 and admitted to a probation violation.

Judge Lorena LaMay ordered all provisions of the original judgment and sentence remain in effect and credited Debord with 63 days served in Lincoln County Detention Center.

Debord is serving probation for a July 7, 2009 conviction for DWI.

Plea deal

Michael Garcia, also known as, Billy Banghart, pleaded no contest to a charge of license must be carried under a plea and disposition agreement reached by Public Defender Mandy Denson and Assistant District Attorney John Bernitz.

Under the agreement, the State dismissed charges of driving while license suspended or revoked and concealing identity.

Judge Lorena LaMay sentenced Garcia to 90 days time served at LCDC, a \$300 fine and ordered him to pay a \$100 bench warrant fee and \$81 in court costs.

License required

Felix Martinez appeared in court Jan. 19, waived the right to legal representation and pleaded no contest to a charge of driver must be licensed under a plea and disposition agreement.

Under the agreement, the State dismissed a charge of driving on a revoked license and Judge Lorena LaMay sentenced Martinez to 90 days of unsupervised probation and a \$50 fine.

## RUIDOSO POLICE BRIEFS

Jan. 18

9:52 a.m. Officer Josh Snodgrass responded to the 400 block of Fifth Street for a report of vandalism.

Snodgrass reports the victim said they left home at about midnight to take a friend home and noticed sugar in the driveway when they returned.

The victim reportedly found the sugar bag in the yard and said someone had put sugar in her gas tank between 9 a.m. and midnight Jan. 17.

Jan. 27

8:57 a.m. - Officer Tyrel Tyson responded to the Aallsup's at 2820 Sudderth Drive in reference to a counterfeit bill.

Tyson reports the clerk said a female her early forties, about 5-foot, 7-inches tall with "Kool Aid Purple" hair gave her the \$20 bill for \$4.65 in goods. Tyson was unable to locate the woman.

8:58 a.m. - Officer Josh Snodgrass responded to the Behr Barn at 721 Mechem Drive for a report of graffiti.

Snodgrass reported that someone used black spray

paint to paint "West Side Crips" on the wall of the building.

12:17 p.m. - Snodgrass responded to Family Dollar at 721 Mechem Drive for a report of graffiti.

Snodgrass photographed the black spray-painted "Off the pigs" and "Sorry about your wall" painted on the wall of the building.

12:29 p.m. - Snodgrass took a report of fraudulent use of a credit card from a victim who came to the Police Department.

Snodgrass reported the victim said their credit card had been used to make online purchases. They said they had used the credit card at two stores in Las Cruces the day before the purchases, but had not used it for several months before that.

Jan. 28

12:26 a.m. - Officer Steve Corbin reported finding fresh graffiti on the side of the Boots & Jeans building at 132 Sudderth Drive.

Corbin took pictures of the "Sorry about your wall, Cowboy up..." and "I'd rather be an Indian than a Cowboy" painted on the wall in black paint.

9:30 a.m. - Snodgrass took a report of fraudulent use of a credit card from a victim who came to the Police Department.

10:22 a.m. - Officer James Urban responded to the 200 block of Nogal Place for a report of criminal damage to property.

Urban reports the 17-year old victim said he had stopped at Allsup's and noticed the damage to his windshield after he left the store.

Jan. 29

1:48 a.m. - Urban reported being approached by a female in Midtown Ruidoso saying she wanted to report a battery that took place in The Quarters Nightclub.

Urban reported the female said her brother, Berwyn Whitebird, 32, of Mescalero, had punched her in the face and she said she didn't know why he did it. The woman reportedly had redness and swelling around her left eye.

After interviewing witnesses and security personnel, Urban filed a criminal complaint against Whitehead for aggravated battery on a household member.

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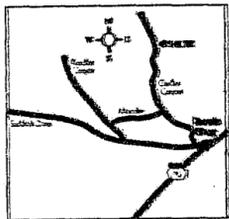
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## BRAVO WINNERS



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The Carrizozo Fall Semester Bravo winners, grades K-4, were recognized on Jan. 11, and treated to a movie and popcorn party on Jan. 14. Winners are, Front row, l-r: Emily Hill, Julie Gonzales, and Ashley Burch Middle row: Kelsie Guevara, Melissa Barela, Mathias Zamora, Dallton King, Daniel Najjar, Jameal Garcia, and James Hemphill. Top row: Kaitlin Guevara, D'anna Willingham, Sydney Zamora, Bella Bartz, and Erollyn Lueras. Not Pictured: Izaiah Parkhurst.

## GOODBYE MR. ROPER



COURTESY PHOTO

David Roper, Ancho rancher, horseshoer, and Carrizozo Schools bus driver ran his route for the last time Jan. 28. Roper retired from the Ancho Route he drove for 20 years, taking it over from his parents, Sam and Lois Roper. The elder Ropers drove the route for 25 years. Prior to that, Clyde Stoneman, a brother-in-law, had the route until his death in 1964. His son Sam Stoneman took the route for a year during the 1964-65 school year. Roper said currently the route serves 10 students and has been available to up to as many as 20. Roper said the economics of running the route has changed to the point it was time bring it to an end. "It's not from the crunch the schools are dealing with now so much, but the changes in legislation over the years regulating how we are paid." Roper said he was ready to be done with it, admitting that seeing students he'd watched get on the bus as kindergarteners that are now adults, one a teacher at his retirement ceremony at the school, made him realize he was maybe getting older. Roper and his family own the Knight Ranch at Ancho.

## Zamora wins award

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Jane Zamora, owner and direction of the Rocking Horse Day-care in Carrizozo was notified Jan. 28 of the award.

"I received an invitation to apply email," said Zamora. Child care teachers from all 50 states and the District of Columbia are invited to apply. Fifty teachers are selected for their commitment and dedication to the children they serve. Of the top 10 recipients, one is selected to receive the Helene Marks Award as National Child Care Teacher of the Year.

The Foundation is dedicated to improving early care and education. It focuses on the quality of programs that care for and educate children from birth through 5 years of age.

Quality early care and education depends on the

expertise of teachers and providers. The Foundation honors and rewards early education teachers dedicated to excellence, support nonprofit and nonsectarian child care centers, provide art and cultural programs to child care centers serving low income areas, and advocate for early care and education every day.

As part of the application process, each applicant is asked to design an enhancement project for the children in their classroom illustrating the educational, social, and emotional benefits from the project.

### Award and cash

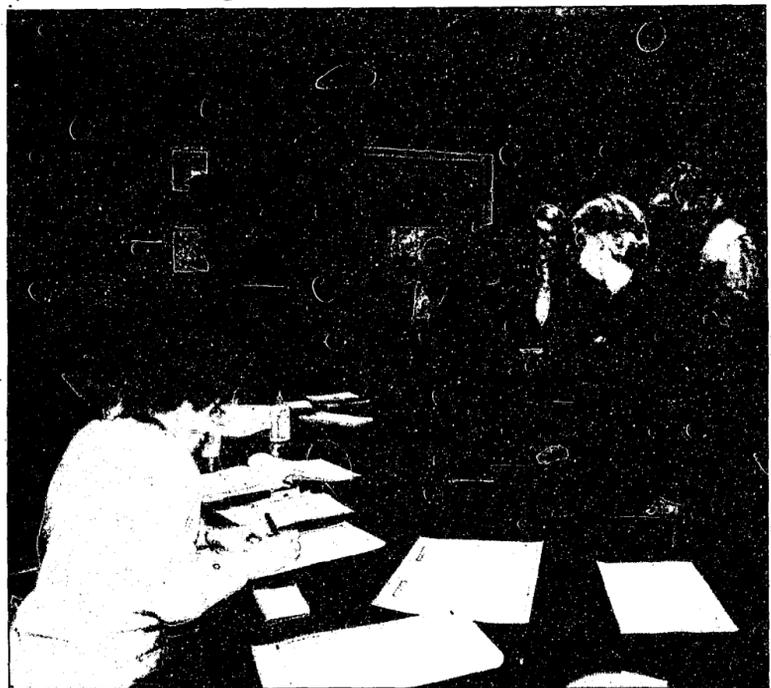
A committee of early childhood educators and specialists review the applications. Award recipients receive \$1,000 - \$500 for the teacher's personal use and \$500 to implement the project.

Zamora said she's using the award money to put more science into the Pre-K classroom. "We will be able to teach with more scientific tools," she said.

An award ceremony takes place in April in Pennsylvania. Hotel and transportation are provided for the recipients for the two-day event that celebrates the best and the most dedicated childcare teachers. "The awards ceremony is on April 14 at the Please Touch Museum in Philadelphia," Zamora said.

According to the Foundation, the benefits of children attending high-quality early care and education programs are documented in The High Scope Perry Preschool Study through Age 40 summary which concludes that for every dollar invested in early care and education, \$17 is returned.

## Voting in Carrizozo



JULIE CARTER/RUIDOSO NEWS

Carrizozo voters lined up Tuesday to cast their ballots in the Board of Education Election. A winter storm that produced snow throughout Lincoln County made getting to the polls to cast a vote difficult.

## COUNTY BRIEFS

### Reading program

Are you bored? Are you tired of the cold weather? Come to Capitan Public Library and participate in the Reward Reading Program. Select from recommended books or select your own. Three divisions: Adult, Grades 7 - 12, and Grades 1 - 6. Weekly prizes and grand prizes a \$25 gift certificate in each division. Hurry! The program ends March 5.

Saturday, Feb. 5, is the \$5-a-bag book

sale from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Complimentary coffee and cookies.

### Winning poets

Congratulations to Carrizozo students Zhane Vega and Laura Martin. Their poems have been selected to be published in an anthology of poems by Creative Press Communication. Both students will be competing at the next level for a savings bond and a free book.

## Open house to recognize Carrizozo care-giver

Lincoln County Medical Center, LCMC, will recognize Mary Hernandez for her contributions to the health center during a retirement open house on Thursday, February 3, 2011 from at 4 p.m.

Hernandez will be retiring as of February 4, 2011.

The open house will take place at the Carrizozo Health Center and will offer light refreshments.

Hernandez has been with the Carrizozo Health

Center since 1974 and she recently celebrated her 20-year anniversary with Presbyterian Healthcare Services. Presbyterian lease and operates the health center, along with another rural clinic, a hospital and county EMS from the County of Lincoln.

"Mary has consistently been there for the patients of the Carrizozo Health Center," said LCMC Administrator Al Santos. "Her contributions, commitment and dedication to caring for others are immeasurable for the patients, Town of

Carrizozo and for Lincoln County residents."

Hernandez began working at Lincoln County Municipal Hospital in Carrizozo as a nurse's aide in the mid-1960s and began full time after graduating high school in 1967.

She would help out various departments, when time allowed, including the hospital's business office. Hernandez moved to the business office full time in 1972.

The hospital closed in 1974 at which time Hernandez began working in

the business office at Med-We-Care, what is commonly known today as the Carrizozo Health Center. The health center has experienced several changes in management throughout the years including Med-We-Care, St. Joseph Hospital, County of Lincoln and most recently, Presbyterian Healthcare Services.

"Mary exemplifies service and loyalty," said Santos. "She will be missed by everyone and we wish her the absolute best as she enjoys her retirement."

Lincoln County Medical Center is a county-owned facility leased by Presbyterian Healthcare Services, New Mexico's only private, not-for-profit healthcare system serving to improve the health of individuals, families and communities. Presbyterian Healthcare Services was founded in 1908 and has been serving Lincoln County residents since 1972.

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ROUNDHOUSE ROUNDUP

# Bill would allow side-by-sides on highways

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Certain off-highway vehicles would be allowed to operate on streets and highways in New Mexico under legislation introduced by Rep. Zach Cook (R-Ruidoso). The measure would apply to so-called side-by-side vehicles, such as the Polaris Razor.

"A few months ago some constituents in Ruidoso

who ride these Polaris Razors, and I didn't know what a Polaris Razor was when I was talking to these guys but they explained it to me, came to me," Cook said. "They're not really ATVs because they're not like the saddle mount four-wheelers or three-wheelers with the handlebars. They have four wheels, bucket seats front and back, and steering wheels just like a regular car. My constituents have modified

these vehicles to have all of the same safety equipment that an automobile would have."

But current law forbids registering off-road vehicles for use on streets. The legislation would license the side-by-sides, allowing their on-road use. The registrant would have to sign an affidavit affirming that the vehicle meets all of the equipment requirements for highway use and that the vehicle will be used pri-

marily off of highways.

"So we've got a situation where a vehicle meets all safety requirements but because of the way the law is they can't use it on streets when they're just as viable to get around town."

Cook said the side-by-sides are safer than three-wheelers and motorcycles.

But he noted some have questioned allowing the use of the side-by-sides on interstate highways or in major metropolitan areas

such as downtown Albuquerque. Modification of the bill is being looked at to address those concerns.

An operator of a side-by-side on streets would have to be a licensed driver. The vehicle would have to be insured.

"I thought this was just a local issue, there happens to be some guys in Ruidoso who are into this Polaris Razor culture," Cook said. "But then I get up here and drop this bill and (Rep.)

Yvette Herrell (R-Alamogordo), who represents Otero County, said "I've got these constituents who want me to pass a bill to allow them to drive these off-road vehicles on city streets." And on the Senate side, Senator (George) Muñoz (D-Gallup) has a similar thing. This is a statewide issue."

The bill has been routed to the House Consumer and Public Affairs Committee.

# Nunez bill would overturn licenses for illegal immigrants

**"We have to do everything we can to stop illegal immigration, and giving them driver's licenses is just an invitation for them to come in."**

State Rep. Andy Nunez

**MILAN SIMONICH**  
Santa Fe Bureau

SANTA FE — State Rep. Andy Nunez, who just quit the Democratic Party, still thinks he can drum up enough support to overturn the law that allows illegal immigrants to obtain New Mexico driver's licenses.

"I believe I can get my bill through," Nunez said Monday. "We have to do everything we can to stop illegal immigration, and giving them driver's licenses is just an invitation for them to come in."

between which foreign nationals have proof of immigration status and which do not, a spokesman for the Division of Motor Vehicles said Monday.

The division simply says New Mexico has issued driver's licenses to 82,700 foreign nationals. How many were in New Mexico illegally is unknown.

Foreign nationals account for about 4.5 percent of the nearly 1.7 million people who have New Mexico licenses.

If Rehm's bill wins approval, it would give foreign nationals until the end of the year to surrender their licenses and seek a driving permit instead. Those who do not comply would see their licenses expire on Dec. 31.

He said those with permits could still purchase auto insurance.

Republican Gov. Susana Martinez, a career prosecutor before being elected the state's chief executive in November, has called on the Legislature to repeal the law granting licenses to illegal immigrants.

Nunez's bill is aligned with her position. Rehm's is not.

Illegal immigrants know they can get driver's licenses in New Mexico, then use them to move about the country, Martinez said.

Eleven states once had laws allowing undocumented immigrants to receive driver's licenses. All but three have repealed those laws.

Utah issues permits for driving. Washington state, like New Mexico, issues full-fledged driver's licenses.

His measure, HB 78, would require an applicant for a driver's license to have a Social Security number, a tightened system that Nunez said would make the state less of a magnet for illegal immigrants.

Nunez said he would only need to pick up the votes of two Democrats in the House, provided all 33 Republicans join him in his fight to stop licensing undocumented immigrants. He said he was equally optimistic his bill could clear the Senate, also controlled by Democrats.

With Nunez's defection to "Declined to State" a party affiliation, the House has 36 Democrats, 33 Republicans and him, a maverick.

Nunez said he edited his bill on Monday to tighten language that could have denied driver's licenses to legal immigrants.

Also on Monday, Republican Rep. Bill Rehm introduced a licensing bill less ambitious than Nunez's.

Rehm said it is politically impossible to stop undocumented immigrants from obtaining New Mexico driver's licenses, given the Legislature's composition.

A retired sheriff's deputy, Rehm said he hates that the state licenses immigrants who are in the country illegally. But, he said, he does not have enough allies in the Legislature to overturn that law.

"How do you put the cat back in the bag? Taking away their licenses won't pass this Legislature," said Rehm, of Albuquerque.

As an alternative, Rehm has devised a bill that would revoke the driver's licenses of foreign nationals. Those in the country illegally still could seek a New Mexico "driving permit" that would have to be renewed each year. His proposal is HB 261.

Unlike a driver's license, the permit would not serve as government-issued identification. For instance, the permit would not enable somebody to board an airplane, Rehm said.

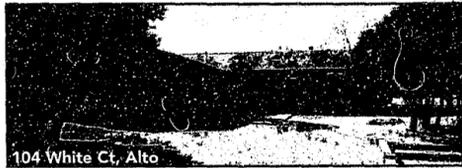
New Mexico legislators in 2003 approved a law allowing foreign nationals to obtain driver's licenses without proof of their immigration status. The rationale was that undocumented immigrants with licenses would buy auto insurance, making New Mexico's roads safer for everybody.

Rehm in his bill stated that he only wants to revoke the licenses and issue permits to immigrants who are in the country illegally.

But the state, in issuing driver's licenses, does not distinguish

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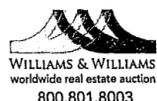
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Court.
The attorney for the Plaintiff, William K. Griffin, Attorney at Law, P.O. Box 643, Ruidoso, NM 88355, telephone 505-264-2697, fax number 888-574-2697, is hereby notified that the Plaintiff has filed a Motion for Judgment on the Pleadings in the above captioned case. The hearing on this Motion is set for the 21st day of December, 2010.
Clerk of the District Court
Jolene Bliss, Deputy

Legal Notices 152
WITNESS my hand and seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, on this 21st day of December, 2010.
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Jolene Bliss, Deputy

Legal Notices 152
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No. CV-10-430
DIVISION III
SUMMUS AND NOTICE

ALTO LAKES WATER & SANITATION DISTRICT
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDER ADOPTING AN ORDINANCE
Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of the Alto Lakes Water and Sanitation District, Lincoln County, New Mexico will meet and hold a public hearing to consider and ratify the following ordinance at a regular meeting held on February 24, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. in the conference room of the Alto Lakes Water and Sanitation District, 2144 Lake Shore Drive, Alto, NM. All interested persons are invited to attend and participate in the Public Hearing in accordance with the provisions of the ordinance.

ORDINANCE
An Ordinance of the Alto Lakes Water and Sanitation District amending the Ordinance of the Alto Lakes Water and Sanitation District Ordinance governing the water and sewer providing for confirmation of water and sewer service fees; all other water and wastewater service and connection fees and disconnection fees; Transfer fees (Disconnection and Reconnection Fees for Temporary Meter Turn-in, or turn on at request; Wastewater Disconnection service and Connection fees; Fire Protection fees; Late Payment charges; Miscellaneous fees and charges; Space Rental fees; RV or Trailer charges; Reducing the amount of the Utility Expansion fee in the amount equal to the reduction in the water meter fees on New Meter Connections.

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- 5362 **08 FORD TAURUS X** ✓ CERTIFIED ..... WAS \$25,195 NOW \$21,727  
3RD SEAT, MOONROOF, LIMITED, HEATED LEATHER ..... \$259/MO.
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AUTO, CD, A/C, FULL POWER, SPORTY! ..... \$263/MO.
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PW, PL, CRUISE, TILT, 6 CD, SATELLITE, 41 MPG IN TOWN! ..... \$259/MO.
- 9K0121 **07 FORD EDGE SEL AWD** ✓ CERTIFIED ..... WAS \$26,595 NOW \$22,547  
3.5V6, AUTO, LEATHER, SUNROOF, AUDIO PHILE, SAT ..... \$269/MO.
- 5639 **08 LINCOLN MKZ** ✓ CERTIFIED ..... WAS \$29,945 NOW \$25,733  
AWD, LINCOLN LUXURY ..... \$309/MO.
- 5J4271 **08 FORD EXPEDITION 4X4** ✓ CERTIFIED ..... WAS \$33,195 NOW \$26,721  
EDDIE BAUER, HEATED/ COOLED SEATS, MOONROOF, 3RD ROW SEAT ..... \$319/MO.
- 5637 **10 LINCOLN TOWN CAR** ✓ CERTIFIED ..... WAS \$36,845 NOW \$30,855  
LINCOLN LUXURY WITH 7,250 MILES! ..... \$369/MO.
- 5598 **09 FORD E-350 VAN** ✓ CERTIFIED ..... WAS \$25,170 NOW \$19,995  
XLT, 12 PASSENGER, REAR A/C, REVERSE SENSING ..... \$239/MO.
- 5653 **08 FORD F150 CREW CAB 4X4** ✓ CERTIFIED ..... WAS \$30,070 NOW \$26,175  
XLT, ALLOYS, POWER WINDOWS, LOCKS, TILT, CRUISE, CD, A/C ..... \$319/MO.

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- 5548 **07 VW BEETLE** ..... WAS \$16,550 NOW \$12,995  
HEATED LEATHER, MOONROOF, LOW MILES! ..... \$155/MO.

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- 6J0861 **04 CADILLAC ESCALADE 4x4** ..... WAS \$25,485 NOW \$23,280  
HEATED LEATHER, NAVIGATION, MOONROOF, ONSTAR, LOW MILES ..... \$299/MO.
- 5613 **10 FORD FOCUS SE** ✓ CERTIFIED ..... WAS \$16,095 NOW \$13,977  
AUTO, A/C, CD, CRUISE, SAVE! ..... \$169/MO.
- 5J4302 **08 FORD F-150 4X4** ✓ CERTIFIED ..... WAS \$21,495 NOW \$19,222  
STX, BEDLINER, TOPPER, A/C, TILT, CRUISE ..... \$229/MO.
- 5644 **08 MERCURY MILAN AWD** ✓ CERTIFIED ..... WAS \$23,320 NOW \$20,727  
PREMIER, MOONROOF, FULL POWER ..... \$249/MO.
- 5634 **10 FORD MUSTANG HARD TOP** ✓ CERTIFIED ..... WAS \$23,070 NOW \$19,997  
4.0 V6, AUTO, LEATHER, SHAKER 500 ..... \$239/MO.

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- 5619 **09 FORD ESCAPE 4X4** ✓ CERTIFIED ..... WAS \$23,125 NOW \$19,997  
XLT, 3.0 V6, PW, PL, CRUISE, TILT, CD, SATELLITE ..... \$239/MO.
- 5622 **09 FORD ESCAPE 4X4** ✓ CERTIFIED ..... WAS \$23,320 NOW \$19,997  
XLT, SAFETY CANOPY, ROLL STABILITY CONTROL ..... \$239/MO.
- 5630 **08 MERCURY MARINER AWD** ✓ CERTIFIED ..... WAS \$24,645 NOW \$21,455  
NAVIGATION, MOONROOF, 6 CD ..... \$259/MO.
- 56031 **07 JEEP WRANGLER 4X4** ..... WAS \$25,210 NOW \$23,320  
SAHARA, HARDTOP, AUTO, A/C, ONLY 17K MILES ..... \$279/MO.
- 5K4101 **07 FORD EDGE AWD** ..... WAS \$25,675 NOW \$23,727  
SEL, DVD, NAVIGATION, HEATED SEATS, LOADED! ..... \$279/MO.
- 5629 **07 FORD EDGE AWD** ✓ CERTIFIED ..... WAS \$25,815 NOW \$21,747  
SEL PLUS, HEATED LEATHER, VISTA ROOF, TOW PACKAGE ..... \$259/MO.
- 5642 **08 CHRYSLER 300 C** ..... WAS \$25,985 NOW \$22,727  
HEMI, HEATED LEATHER, MOONROOF, REMOTE START ..... \$269/MO.
- 5647 **08 DODGE CHARGER AWD** ..... WAS \$26,980 NOW \$23,888  
RT, DVD, MOONROOF, LOADED! ..... \$289/MO.
- 5650 **10 FORD EXPLORER 4X4** ✓ CERTIFIED ..... WAS \$29,970 NOW \$24,675  
XLT, AUTO, A/C, CD, ONLY 39K MILES! ..... \$299/MO.
- 5631 **10 LINCOLN TOWN CAR** ✓ CERTIFIED ..... WAS \$34,820 NOW \$29,747  
LIMITED, LOADED, SAVE \$13,700 OFF MSRP! ..... \$359/MO.
- 5K4251 **07 FORD FOCUS ZX5** ..... WAS \$9,995 NOW \$7,979  
SE, 4 CYL, AUTO, PW, PL, CRUISE, TILT, CD ..... \$95/MO.
- 5594 **09 LINCOLN MKX AWD** ✓ CERTIFIED ..... WAS \$32,745 NOW \$33,533  
HEATED/COOLED LEATHER, REMOTE START, NAV, LOADED! ..... \$399/MO.
- 9K0113 **07 FORD FUSION** ✓ CERTIFIED ..... WAS \$14,545 NOW \$12,797  
SE, LEATHER, SPOILER, 6 CD ..... \$159/MO.
- 56321 **07 CHRYSLER 300C** ..... WAS \$23,985 NOW \$21,477  
HEMI, HEATED FRONT/REAR SEATS, MOONROOF, LOW MILES, LOADED ..... \$259/MO.
- 56362 **04 DODGE DAKOTA CLUB CAB 4X4** ..... WAS \$14,675 NOW \$12,475  
SPORT, GRILL GUARD, STEP BARS, AUTO, A/C, ALLOYS, LOW MILES! ..... \$159/MO.
- 56462 **03 PONTIAC GRAND AM** ..... WAS \$10,285 NOW \$8,725  
GT, V6 RAM AIR, MONSOON SOUND, SPOILER, ENHANCED TRACTION, LOW MILES! ..... \$129/MO.
- 5654 **10 MERCURY GRAND MARQUIS** ..... WAS \$21,180 NOW \$19,075  
LS ULTIMATE, LEATHER, TRACTION CONTROL, SAVE 10,000 OFF MSRP! ..... \$229/MO.

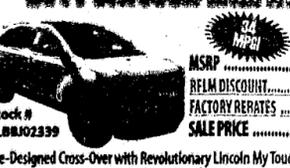
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- 3K4122 **02 JAGUAR X-TYPE AWD** ..... WAS \$11,575 NOW \$9,675  
LOW MILES, SAFETY CANOPY, FULL POWER, AWD, JAG FOR UNDER 10K, NICE KITTY! ..... \$139/MO.
- 6K4091 **07 TOYOTA COROLLA** ..... WAS \$12,475 NOW \$10,475  
CE, AUTO, TILT, CRUISE, POWER WINDOWS, LOCKS, 38MPG! ..... \$129/MO.
- 5623 **08 MAZDA 3** ..... WAS \$15,880 NOW \$12,955  
AUTO, FULL POWER, ALLOYS, GREAT ECONOMY! ..... \$159/MO.
- 5615 **07 MAZDA MIATA CONVERTIBLE** ..... WAS \$19,975 NOW \$15,747  
AUTO, SHIFTER PADDLES, 6 CD, SIDE AIRBAGS! ..... \$189/MO.
- 5640 **2008 VOLVO S40** ..... WAS \$19,450 NOW \$16,855  
ALLOYS, SAFETY CANOPY, TRACTION CONTROL ..... \$199/MO.
- 5616 **08 MAZDA MIATA CONVERTIBLE** ..... WAS \$22,000 NOW \$19,977  
6 SPEED, SIDE AIRBAGS, FOGLIGHTS, LIKE NEW, ONLY 3,100 MILES! ..... \$239/MO.

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<p><b>2011 FORD FOCUS SE</b></p>  <p>34 MPG 0% Available Stock #5K416</p> <p><b>\$184 per mo.</b></p> <p>Power Windows, Power Door Locks, Tilt Steering Wheel, Speed Control, SYNC Voice Activated System and Much More!</p>	<p><b>2010 FORD F-150 4X4</b></p>  <p>SAVE \$7,000 0% Available Stock #8J096</p> <p>MSRP ..... \$42,075 REFL. DISCOUNT ..... -\$2,500 OFF FACTORY REBATES ..... -\$4,500 OFF SALE PRICE ..... \$35,705</p> <p>FX4 Off Road Pkg With 20" Wheels, Power Adjustable Pedals, Reverse Sensing System, Sync Voice And So Much More!</p>	<p><b>2011 FORD ESCAPE 4 WHEEL DRIVE</b></p>  <p>SAVE \$3,750! 0% Available Stock #9K016</p> <p>MSRP ..... \$27,215 REFL. DISCOUNT ..... -\$750 OFF FACTORY REBATES ..... -\$3,000 OFF SALE PRICE ..... \$23,465</p> <p>XLT Package with Full Factory Power Equipment, Including SYNC® Voice Activated Systems</p>	<p><b>2010 FORD FUSION HYBRID</b></p>  <p>41 MPG 0% Available Stock #3J450</p> <p>MSRP ..... \$28,725 REFL. DISCOUNT ..... -\$1,000 OFF FACTORY REBATES ..... -\$2,000 OFF SALE PRICE ..... \$25,725</p> <p>Factory Power Equipped Including Ambient Lighting, Controlled Climate Control, SYNC Voice Activated System, and Satellite Radio</p>
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### LINCOLN LUXURY

<p><b>2011 LINCOLN MKZ AWD</b></p>  <p>34 MPG 0% Available Stock # ZL8BJ02339</p> <p>MSRP ..... \$54,355 REFL. DISCOUNT ..... -\$3,500 OFF FACTORY REBATES ..... -\$1,500 OFF SALE PRICE ..... \$49,355</p> <p>Re-Designed Cross-Over with Revolutionary Lincoln My Touch Technology! Inside Classic Lincoln Luxury!</p>	<p><b>2011 LINCOLN MKT AWD</b></p>  <p>SAVE \$6,000! 0% Available Stock # ZL8BJ51323</p> <p>MSRP ..... \$59,340 REFL. DISCOUNT ..... -\$3,500 OFF FACTORY REBATES ..... -\$1,500 OFF SALE PRICE ..... \$54,340</p> <p>Lincoln Luxury At Its Finest In A Full Size Cross Over Comes With Revolutionary EcoBoost Power, Dual DVD Entertainment, Active Park Assist, and Dual Power Panoramic Roof!</p>
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<p><b>2011 FORD FIESTA</b></p>  <p>30 MPG 0% Available Stock #5K419</p> <p><b>\$206 per mo.</b></p> <p>Sport Appearance Package Including 6 Speed Automatic, Moon Roof, Heated Seats, Ambient Lighting, Sync Voice Activated System and Satellite Radio</p>	<p><b>2011 FORD EXPLORER</b></p>  <p>\$1000 REBATE 28% AVAILABLE Stock #9K038</p> <p>Come And See The All New 2011 Explorer 4wd!</p>
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