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**FIRE DANGER
EXTREME!**

Region tops wind gauge

Airport clocks 63 mph gust Monday; fires flare

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Entire trees were felled along with sections snapped off in parts of the Ruidoso area because of strong winds on Monday. One power line taken down by a toppled tree started a fire in Ruidoso.

Lincoln County topped the state for peak wind gusts on Monday, according to the National Weather Service. Sierra Blanca Regional Airport clocked a gust of 63 miles per hour at 1:30 p.m. Sustained winds at the airport were mostly in the 30-50 mph range, with peaks in excess of 60 mph at times.

Ruidoso recorded a peak gust of 58 mph; Carrizozo hit 56 mph.

The Weather Service had issued a high wind warning for all of the region on Monday, with the strongest winds along and just east of the central mountain chain. A less severe wind adviso-

ry was posted for Tuesday. Because of the wicked winds and dry conditions, critical fire weather conditions were also in place. A red flag warning was issued both Monday and Tuesday for nearly all of the state. A red flag warning is issued when strong winds, low relative humidity, and warm temperatures combine to create extreme fire weather conditions. It means fires that do break out would likely spread rapidly.

Ruidoso's interim fire chief said seven trees had fallen onto power lines during Monday's fierce winds. One triggered a fire.

"We had a report of smoke up behind Pizza Hut," Harlan Vincent said. "It arced into the grass and the grass was on fire. But it was knocked down really fast. The winds were horrible."

Three trucks from the Ruidoso Fire Department, three units from the forest service and a Lincoln County unit responded to

the flames on Cibola Circle.

Wildland fires east of Cloudcroft, however, were serious.

The Mayhill Fire broke out Monday afternoon a few miles west of Mayhill. The blaze had threatened the small community and closed U.S. Highway 82, diverting traffic to N.M. 244. Several structures were burned. An estimated 2,000 acres had been scorched according to an incident report Tuesday.

Farther east, the Crooked Creek Complex Fire had burned more than 18,000 acres as of Tuesday. The blaze, northwest of Hope, was triggered by lightning on May 6.

Lincoln County residents woke up to the smell of smoke Monday. The Sheriff's Office said the smoke was from the Miller Fire in the Gila National Forest, some 150 miles to the southwest.

Tamer winds for the region were expected by Thursday.



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Winds snapped this pine tree on Meander Drive, along the Rio Ruidoso in Ruidoso Monday.

FIRST PITCH



MIKE CURRAN/RUIDOSO NEWS

Ruidoso Mayor Ray Alborn throws out the honorary first pitch of the Ruidoso Osos' home opener Tuesday. See Sports for more details.

Odds favor good monsoon season

■ But getting there is the major concern

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With a current flow of less than five cubic feet per second, the Rio Ruidoso is looking less and less like a river.

Water moving along the river course on Monday flowed at 4.8 cfs, less than 22 percent of the 22 cfs mean for May.

In the May Water Supply Outlook Report from the Natural Resources Conservation Service, the river's streamflow for the May through June period is forecast to be 420 acre feet, or 13 percent of average in the Rio Ruidoso at the Hollywood measuring gauge.

An acre-foot is 325,851 gallons. The March to June forecast volume is also well below average at 1,230 acre feet, or 17 percent.

Exacerbating the situation was a lack of high-elevation precipitation during April, compared to an impressive 346 percent of average last year. In town, the month recorded 0.30 of an inch, but that was less than half the average. March registered no precipitation. February had a little precipitation. January

was essentially void of snow. The high elevation snowpack melted out more than a month ago, compared to 18.7 inches of snow water equivalent at the Sierra Blanca Snotel site at this time last year.

Since Nov. 1, 2010, Ruidoso recorded 1.98 inches of precipitation, said El Polasko, a hydrologist with the National Weather Service forecast office for New Mexico. That is 4.75 inches short of the average for the period.

Compounding drought conditions are strong winds, which Polasko said really clear out any moisture in the atmosphere. He said the best chance of turning things around will lie with the monsoon season.

"Especially since our track record here statistically shows a dry winter and spring can bring good summer rainy season precipitation. The statistics work, now the question is 'Is the atmosphere going to work for us?'"

It just might. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Climate Prediction Center reported in their May 9 weekly forecast that La

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Joann Vullo, of Santa Teresa, N.M., shows off her Derby Day hat at Ruidoso Downs Racetrack Saturday during the Kentucky Derby Party. Vullo is from Tularosa and was spending Mother's Day weekend with her mother there. They came to Ruidoso Downs Racetrack to watch the Derby.

Hondo Fiesta

The 59th annual presentation of the Hondo Fiesta will be on Saturday, May 14, in the Hondo school gymnasium starting at 6 pm.

Students in Headstart through 12th grade will be performing in a dazzling display of Spanish, Mexican and New Mexican dances.

General admission is \$7 for adults and students. Large groups are encouraged to call ahead for reservations. For reserved seating please call 575-653-4411.

A Mexican dinner of enchiladas, a dessert, and a drink, for \$5, will be served from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Students 10 and under \$3.00 a plate.

In an effort to preserve their Hispanic Heritage, approximately 100 stu-

dents from Headstart-12th grades will be participating in this year's 59th annual performance. The program, which began with Fermin and Cirenita Montes began in 1948, has blossomed into a show drawing many people to the Hondo Valley every year. Innumerable individuals, including former students, have worked together to keep the program alive and flourishing for 59 years.

Over the years, public response to the folk dances and music has been enthusiastic. This year's program will consist of several parts. The elementary will begin with their traditional favorite dances. The main part of the evening features the Junior and High School students dancing to such New Mexican and Mexican classics as the popular Café Colon, Jesusita en Chihuahua, El Jarabe Tapatio and many more.

Search & Rescue

The New Mexico Search and Rescue Council will conduct an Emergency Services Annual Preparedness Event (ESCAPE), its annual training event for search and rescue volunteers on Ruidoso this weekend.

More than 250 volunteers from New Mexico, Arizona, Colorado and Texas will meet at the Ruidoso Convention Center May 13-15 to network and train on all aspects of effective search and rescue missions.

The three-day conference includes a trade show featuring the latest search and rescue gear, communications equipment and performance clothing. The event will have 65 qualified instructors teaching over 70 search and rescue related courses.

Friday's training programs include GPS naviga-

tion, personal locator beacons, introduction to technical rescue, basic search and rescue gear and search techniques. Dedicated New Mexico search and rescue personnel will host a special open forum on Non-Wilderness SAR and Future Training.

Saturday will open with the annual business meeting followed by training sessions including map and compass exercises, high and low angle rescue, trauma medical training, amateur radio class and licensure, and canine and horse training to list a few.

Gorden E. Eden, Jr., secretary of the New Mexico Search and Rescue Council, will deliver the keynote address Saturday evening.

Highlights in Sunday's schedule include the field certification exam, paraglider demonstrations, show-and-tell, a mock field trauma scenario, technical

rescue scenario, and a complete canine field exercise.

There are more than 1,400 volunteers on 62 non-profit SAR teams in New Mexico. Last year the teams participated in 127 missions and rescued 200 people.

Postal food drive

This Saturday, letter carriers in the Ruidoso area and across the nation will deliver much more than mail when they walk and drive along their postal routes.

They also will collect the compassion of their postal customers participating in the 19th Annual National Food Drive conducted by the National Association of Letter Carriers to "Stamp Out Hunger."

As part of the largest one-day food drive in the nation, letter carriers will collect non-perishable food donations left at mail boxes and in post offices. All food donations will be distributed to local food pantries. Help letter carriers "Stamp Out Hunger" in your local community.

Highway 48 work

Pavement preservation work on a stretch of New Mexico Highway 48 began this week.

A 5.7-mile section of the roadway, from the intersec-

tion of Sudderth Drive and Mechem Drive to the intersection of Ski Run Road will receive a thin pavement overlay to seal surface cracks and rejuvenate the existing pavement.

The work will improve the road surface and extend the life of the roadway, according to a press release from the New Mexico Department of Transportation.

The project, expected to take about two weeks, would be completed before the Memorial Day holiday weekend.

A single-lane closure would be in place Monday through Friday. Motorists are asked to watch for construction personnel working in the area, observe temporary lane closures, and reduce speed while work is taking place.

The \$600,000 project is being done by Intermountain Slurry Seal, Inc.

Retirement party

On Thursday, May 12, from 4 - 5 p.m., a retirement party will be held for Beverly McFarland, director of the Ruidoso Public Library.

Please join the staff of the library, Friends of the Library, the Library Board and Village of Ruidoso employees.

Refreshments will be served.



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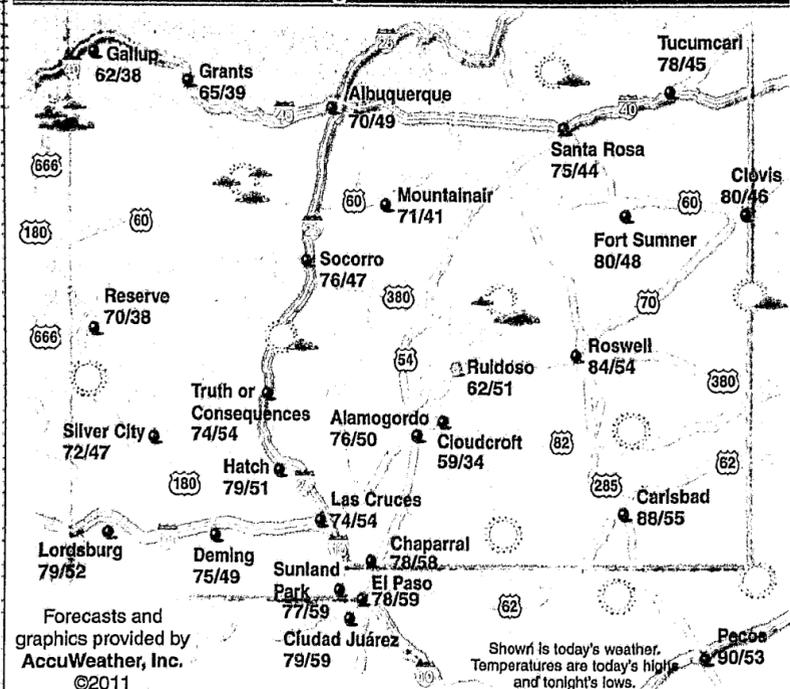
Ruidoso Senior Center director Sande Jordan and Ruidoso Noon Lions Club member Bill Allen stand beside a Magnifier the Lions Club received from an anonymous donor and donated to the Senior Center. The Magnifier allows people with eye problems, such as Macular Degeneration, to read newspapers and books or write checks. The Lions donated a similar machine to the Ruidoso Public Library several years ago.

AccuWeather® 7-day forecast for Ruidoso **AccuWeather.com**

TODAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
RealFeel 58° Humidity 27% 62° 51° Mostly sunny, windy and cooler Wind: WSW 25-35 mph	RealFeel 72° Humidity 23% 70° 50° Sunny, breezy and warmer Wind: W 12-25 mph	RealFeel 78° Humidity 19% 74° 50° Pleasant with plenty of sunshine Wind: NW 8-16 mph	RealFeel 75° Humidity 27% 71° 51° Sunny much of the time Wind: SE 8-16 mph	RealFeel 76° Humidity 33% 75° 51° A full day of sunshine Wind: SSW 10-20 mph	RealFeel 75° Humidity 21% 76° 50° Bright and sunny Wind: SW 15-25 mph	RealFeel 71° Humidity 20% 70° 52° Partly sunny with spotty showers Wind: S 10-20 mph

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Regional Cities



Almanac

Ruidoso
Statistics through Monday

Temperature:
High/low 73°/57°
Normal high 71°
Normal low 35°
Record high 84° (2009)
Record low 18° (1975)

Precipitation:
Monday 0.00"
Month to date 0.00"
Normal month to date 0.24"
Year to date 0.83"
Normal year to date 4.43"

Pollen:
Grass Absent
Trees High
Weeds Low
Mold Low
Predominant Pecan Tree

Source: Eddie L. Gaines, MD, of the Allergy & Asthma Clinic

Alamogordo

Statistics through Monday

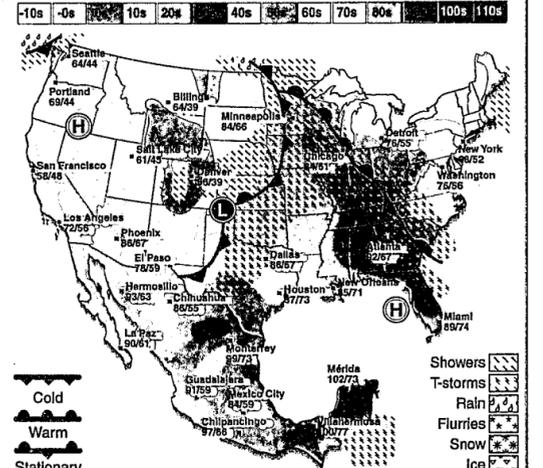
Temperature:
High/low 88°/61°
Normal high 82°
Normal low 52°
Record high 98° (1967)
Record low 36° (1965)

Precipitation:
Monday 0.00"
Month to date 0.00"
Normal month to date 0.18"
Year to date 0.46"
Normal year to date 2.25"

Weather Trivia™:

Q: What percent of lightning deaths occur in the home: 5%, 10% or 35%?

National Forecast for May 11, 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.

National Cities **Regional Cities**

City	Today HI/Lo/W	Thu. HI/Lo/W	City	Today HI/Lo/W	Thu. HI/Lo/W
Abilene	88/57/r	87/60/s	Albuquerque	70/49/pc	75/50/s
Anchorage	58/38/s	58/41/s	Artesia	85/58/s	92/58/s
Austin	82/67/s	88/65/pc	Chama	54/29/c	68/28/s
Baltimore	67/73/t	87/67/r	Clayton	70/41/pc	69/45/s
Boston	77/51/s	76/55/s	Cloudcroft	59/34/c	68/28/s
Chicago	57/47/pc	64/50/pc	Farmington	67/41/pc	71/41/s
Dallas	86/67/t	85/65/t	Hobbs	88/51/s	88/52/s
Denver	58/39/sh	66/38/pc	Los Alamos	56/36/c	67/37/s
Des Moines	85/65/t	80/58/t	Portales	82/45/s	81/48/s
Detroit	78/55/t	77/59/t	Raton	60/35/c	66/37/s
El Paso	78/59/s	83/59/s	Red River	46/25/c	59/28/s
Las Vegas	80/68/s	86/72/s	Ruidoso	62/51/s	70/50/s
Los Angeles	72/56/pc	74/58/pc	Santa Fe	68/38/c	72/42/s
Minneapolis	84/68/t	77/58/t	Silver City	72/47/s	78/51/s
New Orleans	85/71/s	86/70/pc	Taos	58/30/c	68/32/s
New York City	68/52/s	73/54/s			
Philadelphia	73/52/s	74/54/s			
Phoenix	88/67/s	82/73/s			
Reno	73/48/s	77/51/s			
San Francisco	58/48/s	60/47/s			
San Diego	68/61/pc	67/62/pc			
Seattle	64/44/r	61/43/pc			
Tucson	79/56/s	80/54/s			
Tulsa, OK	82/62/t	80/54/s			
Wash., DC	78/58/pc	75/58/s			
Wichita	80/57/t	73/49/s			
Yuma	90/66/s	91/73/s			

Mexican Cities

City	Today HI/Lo/W	Thu. HI/Lo/W
Acapulco	93/73/s	91/75/s
Cancun	90/70/s	90/70/s
Chihuahua	88/55/s	88/57/s
Ciudad Juárez	79/59/s	82/59/s
Ledón	93/59/s	93/61/s
México, DF	84/59/t	86/59/t
Monterrey	99/73/pc	95/73/pc
Morelia	93/61/pc	95/61/pc
Oaxaca	99/63/t	97/63/t
Pto. Penasco	82/61/s	88/64/s
Tijuana	70/57/pc	70/61/pc

W-weather, s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sl-snow flurries, sn-snow, l-ice.

Downs OKs amnesty program for late utility payments

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Ruidoso Downs residents and businesses past due on their monthly water, sewer and garbage bills will get a 45-day timeline to pay their outstanding balances minus hefty past due penalties. The amnesty program, forgiving past-due fees, was approved by the city council Monday.

What was described as only a partial listing of delinquent utility bills indicated more than \$36,500 was due the city. Removal of the penalty charges would drop the past due bills to \$16,450.

City Attorney H. John Underwood provided the city with a written opinion that forgiving accumulated penalties to encourage payments on past due bills could be allowed.

The city's ordinance requires a 10 percent penalty be added to unpaid balances.

"Under the law, a penalty is an imposition which is intended to afford an additional method of enforcing payment," Underwood wrote of state statutes.

"Pursuant to (state statute), as amended, the governing body sits as the Board of Finance and as

such has the authority to manage the finances of the governing body. Therefore, it is my legal opinion that the governing body of the municipality has the authority to provide for an amnesty from accrued penalties under (city code) if the reason therefore is to encourage payment of past due water bills, thereby enhancing the finances of the municipality."

City Finance Director Terri Mosley said the penalties can be severe when bills are delinquent for months.

"Many of the customers make payments monthly but the penalties are higher than what they're paying. And so each billing cycle makes it grow and so you can't pay when your bill ends up being a thousand dollars."

Mosley said liens have been filed against some delinquent properties.

"I'm hoping that some of the owners that have the liens will take advantage of this and pay off the liens and possibly be able to reconnect their service."

A draft of a proposed letter to delinquent utility customers stated the amnesty program was essentially a final warning.

"The city is taking an active role in helping those



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customers who have fallen into financial hardships," the letter said. "The city is also taking an active role in keeping utility customers current in what's owed for the services provided by turning off customers delinquent in payment for the utility bill one month after the account is past due to prevent the high penalties from accruing. Any customer who remains delinquent after the time period ends will have a lien filed for the amount due against the property and the service will be turned off."

City Councilor Gary Williams asked the proposed 30-day amnesty timeline be extended to 45 days to take the city to the end of its fiscal year.

"And it would give us the opportunity to add a little more time for the citizens. That would be sufficiently enough time for them. One month is OK but obviously 45 would be better," Williams said.

Councilor Dean Holman said he felt an amnesty program would be unfair to those who pay their bills every month.

"However, I realize in today's times, we do things that we didn't used to do," Holman said. "Even the credit cards, the IRS, will cut people slack and they will do away with the penalties if they will step up and pay a certain amount. This is the only reason I would support this concept because I do feel it penalizes the people that

pay their bills."

Holman contended that some people need to rethink their priorities.

"There are ways to determine if they are first going to Circle K and buying beer every weekend. If they smoke. If every one of their kids has a new cell phone. And I think you're going to be surprised how many of those people are not hurting so bad that they can't pay that bill. The fact is, it's way down on the list."

Holman suggested turn-

ing off the water first to force payment instead of at the end of the amnesty period.

But Mosley said at the end of the amnesty period the water would be turned off and a lien filed.

"I would personally like to give them a chance to get caught up on this thing rather than turning them off immediately."

Mayor Tom Armstrong said the bottom line is if delinquent utility customers are going to pay, they'd better do it now.

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EPA launches 60-day comment period on Clean Water Act

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Officials with the Environmental Protection Agency published a draft guidance for state and regional permitting officials, to begin narrowing the gap in Clean Water Act protections for many water bodies.

But opponents contend the move usurps state jurisdiction over water bodies and amounts to a power grab.

A 60-day public comment period was launched Wednesday on the proposal. The guidance was released as part of an Administration framework outlining a comprehensive approach to water issues and a commitment to "pro-

tecting water resources to promote healthy communities and strong economies."

Under the guidance, waters of the United States are defined as:

- All waters which are currently used, or were used in the past, or may be susceptible to use in interstate or foreign commerce, including all waters which are subject to the ebb and flow of the tide.

- All interstate waters including interstate wetlands.

- All other waters such as intrastate lakes, rivers, streams (including intermittent streams), mudflats, sandflats, wetlands, sloughs, prairie potholes, wet meadows, playa lakes, or natural ponds, the use, degradation or destruction

of which could affect interstate or foreign commerce including any such waters that are or could be used by interstate or foreign travelers for recreational or other purposes; or from which fish or shellfish are or could be taken and sold in interstate or foreign commerce; or that are used or could be used for industrial purposes by industries in interstate commerce.

- All impoundments of waters otherwise defined as waters of the United States.
- Tributaries of waters previously identified.

- The territorial sea
- Wetlands adjacent to waters, other than waters that are themselves wetlands; waste treatment systems, including treatment ponds or lagoons designed to meet the requirements of CWA, other than cooling ponds, which also meet the criteria of this definition, are not waters of the United States.

The draft "Clean Water Act Protection Guidance" may be downloaded from the EPA's website at www.epa.gov/owow/keep/wetlands/guidance/CWAwaters.

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OUR OPINION

Zoning enters county planners' realm

It's about common sense and local control

Don't look now, but the "Z" word has again inched into a discussion of the county's Comprehensive Plan.

That's zoning, for those strong enough to accept the concept.

During a Lincoln County Planning Commission meeting last week that touched on building permitting and development in general, it was made clear that more local oversight, concerning items such as trailer parks, should be possible with the backing of a zoning ordinance.

We like the deadpan logic of Planning Commissioner Nora

Midkiff, who noted, "We're the planning commission. Planning means that we plan... If you want us to plan we have to have the underpinning on proper planning, which is zoning. Lincoln County has got to decide whether it's going to be something."

We've said it before: Zoning helps everyone, from fast-buck speculators to generations-old ranching families. It is a covenant that protects property values. It is a template that ensures responsible growth. It recognizes the beauty that is Lincoln County, both viscerally and economically.

It's plain common sense.

Lincoln County struggles to retain its history

A pretty young woman in a Harley Davidson tank top is describing to me in fine, enthusiastic detail the history of White Oaks, the one-time mining town near Carrizozo. She's holding forth in the No Scum Allowed Saloon, where she works.

"I just love working in White Oaks, because the history is all around us," she said.

I wanted to hug her. As it happened, a friend and I were returning from the annual meeting of the Historical Society of New Mexico held this year in Ruidoso. Looking at its graying membership, I had wondered who will carry the torch; who will care about history?

The question took on greater urgency with the governor's line-item vetoes of \$75,000 in funding for a program of the New Mexico Humanities Council. The Legislature, after wrestling with the budget, decided to continue this modest support; the Education Governor thought otherwise.

In state-budget terms, this is pocket change, but its loss has consequences.

We're about to lose History Day in New Mexico, a competition for students. New Mexico would become the only state without a student History Day. On April 29 more than 250 students from schools across the state competed in the statewide contest; another 3,000 participated in local and regional contests. Last year, two of our students won first and second place awards in national competition.

Additional fallout: NMHC just cancelled 75 Chautauqua programs scheduled in communities around the state. This is a kind of history on the hoof—people who speak or perform mostly in places without many cultural resources. (Disclosure: I participate in this program.)

Here's the big one: We're approaching the centennial of New Mexico statehood with no funding. The governor also zeroed out funding earmarked for centennial activities through the Department of Cultural Affairs.

Can't we celebrate the centennial without state funding? What about other sources? Certainly, there are things we can do, but state or local governments usually seed these events, and organizers can then use this funding to leverage other monies. The council raises money on its own, but this year the well is dry.

On a happier note, the conference took us to Fort Stanton for a half day. This historic post, carved from the Mescalero Apache homeland in 1855, has survived a variety of uses. In recent years its defenders have worked tirelessly to preserve this grand old outpost. It became a state monument in 2007. Since then ambitious plans have moved forward, with a number of government agencies stepping forward to preserve a piece of Fort Stanton—the latest proposal for one building being a retreat for returning combat veterans.

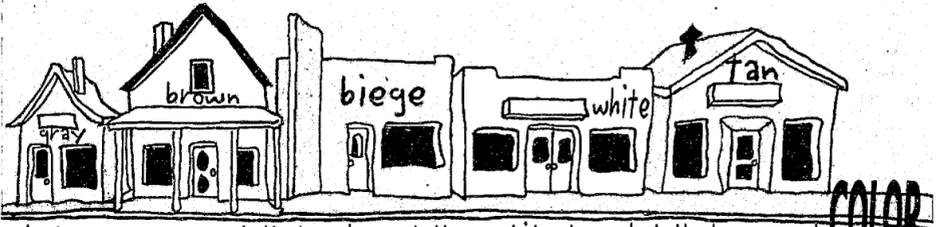
In 2008, I wrote of Fort Stanton: "Historic preservation may seem esoteric when we have so many pressing needs, but our historic places define us as communities, as New Mexicans. They need money, but first, somebody has to care. Many people in Lincoln County care."

Our meeting also took in the Hubbard Museum of the American West, an excellent facility whose future is up in the air. In March the governor killed an agreement her predecessor made to take over the museum. The Hubbards would donate collections valued at \$10 million, and the state would front some \$200,000 a year to help Ruidoso Downs.

Joe Cisneros, former director of state monuments, has argued that \$200,000 is "ridiculously low for a museum of this caliber." He pointed out that the primary function of a museum is to educate. "They also engage people with their history and culture."

Understanding our past helps us define our future. We still have lessons to learn. These piddling cuts have consequences that stunt us as New Mexicans.

In 1911, Santa Fe invented a style of architecture (Pueblo Revival) to draw tourists to the little New Mexico town... IT WORKED.



In 2011, some suggest that we've got the architecture, but that we need COLOR.

YOUR OPINION

Downs cleanup attracts large turnout

To the editor:

KEEP RUIDOSO DOWNS Beautiful held our annual Great American Cleanup on April 9.

We had a very successful day and are most grateful for the hard work given by the volunteers and the support and generosity for food and prizes from sponsors. Volunteers gave freely of their time to benefit the City of Ruidoso Downs and this was the biggest turnout we have seen for several years.

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Cut a little slack on escape route issue

To the editor:

ERNIE POWELL'S letter to FEMA urging authorities to create an escape route from wildfire in the Upper Canyon was subjected to an exhaustive rebuttal (Ruidoso News, May 5).

This highly detailed treatment may set a bad example for handling future village objectors and critics.

Ernie Powell is a fair-minded and virtuous man who for a decade has been frustrated, double-talked, and put off in his pursuit of a very reasonable objective—a lifesaving route that would permit exit of residents and guests from the canyon while simultaneously permitting the entry of fire equipment.

Ernie's letter to FEMA was ill-advised, but the issues of public safety he raised are serious and timely.

What concerns me about this dispute is the implication that we should accept without question the wisdom of "experts." Ruidoso has taken that path too often. When the village acquired the

Eagle Creek North Fork well field, the engineering firm retained by the village told us the annual yield would exceed 5,648 acre-feet per year.

Skeptics with years of local water experience like John Schuller and Conrad Keyes railed at the notion that the small Eagle Creek watershed could produce any such figure, but the experts won the argument and cost the village and its taxpayers about a million dollars. The North Fork field has averaged only 585 acre-feet per year.

The current wisdom of the experts seems to assert that excavating Main Road for a new sewer line may cause intermittent delays and road closure, but mechanisms will be in place to quickly open roads or clear alternate exit paths in case of an emergency.

Many of us would like to know more about these mechanisms and how they would clear alternate evacuation paths.

Ruidoso's public watchdogs are a blessing. They are by no

means always right, but their ideas expand our public discourse.

Their ideas deserve scrutiny and criticism, but they tend to balance the sometimes uncaring (or unconscious) municipal staff performance that gave our river its 2008 Riverbank Uglification Project (pink concrete gabions and all). This is what happens when no citizen voice is raised.

Let's think twice before condemning—and be glad that someone is courageous enough to risk scorn. But let's also think hard before attacking our present mayor, a man of integrity who is visibly present whenever fire, freeze or other disaster occurs. He has inherited problems—Special Use Permits, Grindstone Dam, the escape route, the North Fork rights, the wastewater plant—that have roots extending far back before his tenure. Both sides of this dialogue deserve respect... and a little slack.

Ben Mason
Ruidoso

MAW sponsors deserve credit

To the editor:

Regarding the Military Appreciation Week, I would like to thank Millie Woods for putting on a fantastic event. Thanks to Lynn Crawford for the great food

at the middle school, and to the staff and all the volunteers: Julie G., Judy Shaw, K of C, Masons, Shriners, VFW, Ruidoso Police Department, Justin King, to name a few.

The speech by General Fox was inspiring. We have a wonderful military and it was a fitting tribute.

William F. Dement
Alto

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Alto Lakes transforms water quality at plant

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With the backing of property owners and a man at the helm used to taking charge and making things happen, a transformation is underway within the Alto Lakes Water & Sanitation District.

"We've been doing a lot here since we took over the water system in 2008," said Earl Adamy, who heads the five-member elected board that governs the district. By "a lot," he means completing \$1.85 million in improvements.

The district serves 2,300 properties, including 1,250 homes and covers 3.5 square miles.

"The water treatment plant is the major project. Water quality here has really been bad," he said. "Everything comes out of wells, it's not like the village of Ruidoso, which also has springs. With water down in the rocks, minerals of all kinds leach out. Manganese and iron settle and give the water a red and brown color. It's good water, but bad on the laundry and doesn't look appetizing. So the first phase was to get rid of the manganese and iron."

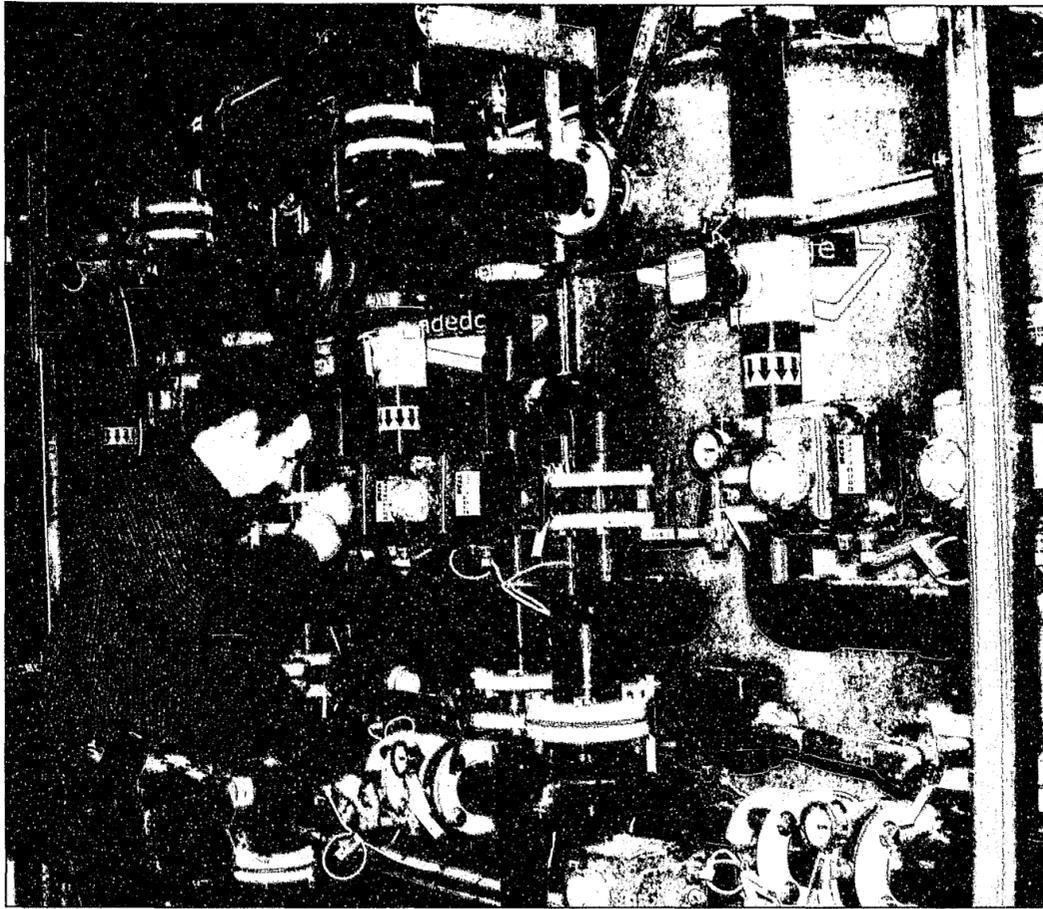
Removal was accomplished with a series of big filters, said District Manager David Edington, on board since 2008.

Being a quasi-municipal governmental subdivision of the state of New Mexico is one of the major attributes for securing grants and low-interest loans, Adamy said. Government entities like to deal with other government entities.

The water and sanitation district was formed in 2005 by district court order after an election, with the purpose of acquiring the Alto Lakes Golf and Country Club-owned water and wastewater system to accomplish critically needed improvements to the water supply and infrastructure, Adamy explained. On April 1, 2008, the district acquired all of the Alto Lakes Water Corporation assets, including the solid waste yard, and paid off its debts, using \$2.5 million of a \$4 million loan from the New Mexico Finance Authority.

Others elected and serving on the nonprofit district board besides Adamy as president are Vice President Dan Knorr, Secretary Gary Parker, Treasurer Bill Pope and Board Member Bob Decker.

To show exactly what the \$1.85 million produced, Adamy and Edington, who holds an associates degree from New Mexico State University in water and wastewater, and amassed years of practical experi-



District Manager David Edington, seen at the water treatment plant, says minerals were removed from the district's water supply with filters.

ence in public and private water operations and management, drove out to the new plant and solid waste yard on High Mesa Road from the district office on Lake Shore Drive.

Adamy said \$1.5 million was invested in the new water treatment plant, including a building, tanking and pipeline infrastructure required for two phases of an improvement master plan. Phase One was completed in April and provides the treatment to remove heavy concentrations of iron and manganese to eliminate the red and brown water coming out of faucets.

Phase Two will aim to significantly reduce water hardness and will be scheduled as issues surrounding disposal of the resulting brine stream are resolved, Adamy said.

Another \$175,000 was invested in a new solid waste convenience station. The district's construction costs are being repaid through a 42-month lease with the Greentree Solid Waste Authority, which operates the facility under contract with the district.

Other projects included \$30,900 for water supply improvements, including sequestration, well completions and improvements to electrical systems at major wells; \$24,700 invested in valve replacement to improve system control; and \$33,300 invested for replacement of a lift station to aid the control of sewage collection.

A computer screen at

the water treatment plant showcases one of the most impressive investments. The Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) system cost \$91,500, and allows Edington to sit at an unassuming desk and check valves, meters and readings of various types, significantly reducing energy consumption and the need for on-site supervision of supply and distribution equipment. He can bring up a virtual world of water tanks and pump stations without leaving the building.

Looking to the future, the district was awarded \$1.8 million by the New Mexico Water Trust Board. The money will cover replacement of about two miles of water mains along High Mesa, French Drive and Deer Park Drive with 8 inch lines. About 3,000 feet of 3 inch water lines, which restrict flows to the larger mains along High Mesa and Deer Park Drive, will be replaced, substantially improving water flow to all of Alto Lake, Adamy said.

The addition of up to 15 new fire hydrants will improve fire protection, he said.

The \$1.8 million consists of \$1,152,000 in grant money, \$288,000 is a 20-year loan at one-half of one percent interest and \$360,000 in matching cash from the district. Engineering is complete and the project is waiting final approval from the state. It should go to bid this summer and construction

should begin around Labor Day, Adamy said.

"The district brought additional well capacity online in the Eagle Creek wellfield," Adamy said. "It also implemented a water audit that allows us to reduce leaks and water waste at or below national standards. While the district depends on adequate rainfall and snowpack, it now has substantial reserve capacity to meet peak summer demand."

The district's wastewater system which serves the Club and 77 townhouses, depends on an out-dated leach field for effluent disposal. The district is revisiting wastewater reuse in light of recent changes in state regulations, to eliminate the need for expensive upgrades to the club's irrigation system, Adamy said.

The district also is

preparing to undertake a Preliminary Engineering Review to determine the most cost effective means of replacing the existing leach field and implementing a water reuse program.

Adamy, an entrepreneur who created several successful businesses and moved to Alto in 2003, jumped into the mix from the beginning, when he realized there was a the need for a major utility overhaul.

"Our engineers did a preliminary engineering report in 2008 and said the system needs a huge overhaul," he said. "Most water mains are undersized and won't support fire hydrants. We have stand pipes, but fire department won't use them."

Edington said about 39 hydrants can support limited fire protection, but 139

are needed for the district.

Engineers substantiated that the water system, including distribution, needed significant upgrades, possibly \$10 million to bring the system up to the standard being built today in new subdivisions, he said.

"The club and water corporation didn't have the cash flow or borrowing capacity, more importantly, they didn't have the access of a local government to state and federal money," Adamy said. When the district was formed, it was able to secure lower interest rates and to win loans and grants.

"The other thing we've been able to accomplish was to establish a leaner structure with lower costs and a smaller staff," Adamy said. "We don't have to pay income tax. Any net income goes into improvement of the system. It's basically a case where we instilled a business approach to government, making it leaner, using money effectively and tightening the operations. The state likes to deal with other governments and it has been good in dealing with us."

District revenue of \$1.3 million comes entirely from user fees for water and wastewater, and net income is used to fund replacement reserves, debt service and capital improvements. The district carries about \$4.1 million in a 20-year debt at 2 percent interest, he said.

Edington pulled out a plaque, proudly pointing to the wording by the New Mexico Environment Department's Drinking Water Bureau recognizing the district for Excellence of Service in 2011, one of two such awards given out this year.

"It was a team effort," he said, "It took the board, the office and field staff. All had to do their parts equally well. (The bureau officials) don't give awards very easily."

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Last year's summer reading program at the Ruidoso Public Library included a stuffed animal fashion show.

Library plans summer activities

Sign up for the Ruidoso Public Library's Summer Reading Program will begin on May 16.

Divided into different age groups, the program includes programs and reading logs programs for kids.

While the reading program activities will take place during June and July, sign up can take place anytime from May 16 until July 16.

Prizes will be awarded in each age group at the end of the summer. Completed reading and activity logs are the way to be entered for prize drawings.

Below are the age groups and schedules for the programs.

Children 6-12:

June 7th: Family Movie—Speedway (2 p.m.)

June 9th: "Build an International House/Monument/Structure" Contest (2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.)

Three prizes awarded for best house and three prizes awarded for best monument.

June 16th: "The Amazing Journey—Get a Taste of the World" (2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.)

June 23rd: Belly Dancing Demonstration (2 p.m. - 3 p.m.)

June 24th: Wild Spirit Wolf Sanctuary—an ambassador wolf will be here! (Time to be announced)

June 28th: Dutch Craft for 6-9 year olds. This is a

dot art craft. (2 p.m. - 3 p.m.)

June 29th: Multicultural Stuffed Animal Fashion Show: (10:30 a.m. - noon) Three prizes awarded. This program is for children ages 2-10.

June 30th: Dutch Craft for 10-12 year olds. (2 p.m. - 3 p.m.)

July 5th: Family Movie about horses (2 p.m.)

July 7th: Martial Arts Demonstration (2 p.m. - 3 p.m.)

July 12th: Family Movie: Horses (2 p.m.)

July 14th: Chinese calligraphy for 10-12 year olds. We will also offer simple origami during this time period.

July 19th: "Zoo to You" (10 a.m. & 2 p.m.)

July 21st: 10-12 Movie—*Beverly Hills Chihuahua II* (2 p.m.) Popcorn & Soda served.

July 22nd: 6-9 Movie—*Diary of a Wimpy Kid* (2 p.m.)

July 27th: Popsicle End of Summer Party for ages 2-5 and 6-9. Winners of large prizes announced for each age group.

July 29th: Pizza End of Summer Party for ages 10-12 and for teens: (2 p.m.) Drawings for the three large prizes for each age group.

Children 2-5:

June 1st: Animal Stories from other country. Craft: Parrot/Toucan (10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.)

June 8th: China & hat stories. Craft: Make a Chinese New Year hat (10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.)

June 9th: "Build an International House/Monument/Structure" Contest (2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.)

June 15th: Tea Party Stories with a storybook tea party held in the classroom after story time. (10:30 a.m. - noon)

June 22nd: Potpourri of Stories from Different Countries. Interactive day-watercolors, play dough, beads, puzzles & toys. (10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.)

June 24th: Wild Spirit Wolf Sanctuary—an ambassador wolf will be here! (Time to be announced)

July 6th: Birthday Parties Around the World with a birthday celebration & clown (10:30 a.m. - noon)

July 13th: Fairytales from Around the World. Craft: Make a sombrero (10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.)

July 20th: Movie: *Alice in Wonderland* w/ popcorn & soda (10:30 a.m.)

July 27th: Popsicle End of Summer Party for ages 2-5 and 6-9. Winners of large prizes announced for each age group.

Summer reading programs began in the 1890s as a way to encourage school children, particularly those in urban areas where they were not needed for farm work, to read during their summer vacation, use the library, and develop the habit of reading, according to the American Library Association.

— Submitted by the Ruidoso Public Library

RHS readying for Freshman Academy

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A "transition day" next week for Ruidoso Middle School eighth grade students will provide more than information about high school. May 17 will detail the high school's new Freshman Academy for the next academic year. The eighth graders will spend half a day at the high school, while fifth graders will spend half a day at the middle school.

Ruidoso High School Principal Pauline Staski said all freshmen will be part of the academy.

"We were very concerned that students who do not earn enough credits in their first freshman year, 25 percent of them are likely to finish high school on time," Staski said. "So of those who don't earn credits to become sophomores, only 25 percent of them actually graduate from high school rather than GED program or some other alternative accreditation program."

A number of school districts have gone to using a freshman academy, Staski said. She added that a focused team of teachers with professional development throughout the year will deal with the needs of transitioning young adolescents into high school.

"Remember that we're getting kids who are middle school students who are maybe 14 years old who have to learn to become

high school kids. The have to learn to become 10th graders. And we have one year to make that transition. And so, we'll be doing a lot of work with the teachers and the kids and really focus on doing timely interventions that are targeted to get as many of our kids ready for 10th grade as we possibly can. And that's the purpose behind a freshman academy."

The Ruidoso High School Freshman Academy has a motto of 100 percent.

"The goal is 100 percent of all first time freshmen will become a hundred percent proficient on the essential learning of the freshman year, and therefore earn 100 percent of their credits and become sophomores. Our secondary goal is that a hundred percent of first-time freshmen will become involved in some kind of extracurricular activity. And we know from the research that if kids get involved in an extracurricular activity they're more likely to stay in school."

Students will be randomly divided into two groups and assigned to a team of teachers. All freshmen classes, with the exception of Computer Applications and electives will be in the same area of the high school.

The courses will be English 1, Algebra 1, Earth Science, New Mexico History (one semester), Health (one semester), Computer Applications

(one semester), Technical Writing (one semester), and two electives.

Students who can show they are computer proficient could instead take an additional elective.

Staski said a class in technical writing is needed.

"We have found that at high school our kids simply cannot write. So these two classes, the writing and the computer classes, are really based on what the kids have struggled with, and again, we want to get our kids in the ninth grade prepared to be successful in the rest of their high school career. So the technical writing class is focused on writing in social studies, writing in science, writing extended response answers to the mathematics, writing newspaper articles. They will be expressing themselves in non-fiction genres that you will be expected to use in academic situations."

A memorandum about the new freshman academy noted there are common features in the ninth grade approach.

Those were cited as freshmen in groups traveling from one core class to another, classes in close proximity to one another, a team of core teachers who communicate and work together well, an emphasis on team building and positive reinforcement in the form of tangible rewards, and efforts by teachers to increase the involvement of parents.

'One book' author to visit

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One month ago students and teachers at the Ruidoso Middle School, along with some other members of the community, began reading the book *Touching Spirit Bear*. Next week the book's author, Ben Mikaelson, will be on hand.

Mikaelson will visit the middle school on May 16, speaking and visiting with students to develop their reading and writing skills. The school's drama class will perform a scene from *Touching Spirit Bear*, the jazz band will play music in the commons before the author's presentation, and the middle school Apache singers and drummers group will also perform.

Middle school art students will design posters and other works for the event. The public is invited.

The jazz band will perform at 8 a.m. Mikaelson will sit down with sixth grade students from 8:30 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. The Apache drummers and singers will offer their presentation from 9:45 a.m. until 10 a.m. The author will visit with seventh graders from 10 a.m. until 11:15 a.m.

During the afternoon, the drama students' performance of a scene from the book will occur from 1 p.m. to 1:25 p.m. Eighth grade students will meet with Mikaelson from 1:30 p.m. until 2:45 p.m. The Apache drummers and singers will return from 2:45 p.m. until 3 p.m.

The book reading and May 16 events are part of the school's One Book, One Community program which encourages students and community members to read the same book over the same period and then discuss issues presented in the book.

Mikaelson is the winner of the International Reading Association Award and the Western Writers' Golden Spur Award. His novels, including *Rescue Josh McGuire*, *Sparrow Hawk Red*, *Stranded*, *Countdown*, *Petey*, *Touching Spirit Bear*, *Red Midnight*, *Tree Girl* and *Ghost of Spirit Bear*, have won many awards. Three of his novels, including *Touching Spirit Bear*, have been optioned for screen productions.

EDUCATION BRIEFS

Military academies

Applications for nominations to U.S. military academies for the class of 2016 are now being accepted by U.S. Sen. Tom Udall, D-NM.

In a YouTube video for prospective nominees in New Mexico, Udall provided information about the application process. The video can be viewed at http://tomudall.senate.gov/?p=academy_nominations. "More than anything, I

cherish this opportunity to meet with some of our state's best and brightest, motivated high school students or recent graduates who want to dedicate their talents and leadership in service to our country," Udall said.

Four of the five service academies - the U.S. Military Academy (West Point), the U.S. Naval Academy, the U.S. Air Force Academy, and the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy - require a congressional,

vice presidential or service-connected nomination. The U.S. Coast Guard Academy does not require a nomination.

In addition to applying for a nomination, candidates must complete all application requirements for the academies to which they are applying.

Applications for a nomination by Udall can be submitted online at <http://tomudall.senate.gov/academy>. The deadline is Oct. 1, 2011

Book buy-back

As the school year comes to a close, a book buyback called Cash for Books is underway at Eastern New Mexico University-Ruidoso.

Course books can be sold at the school's bookstore Wednesday and Thursday, May 11-12, from 8:30 a.m. until 6:30 p.m.

Next Monday and Tuesday, May 16-17, the hours will be 8:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m.

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Hubbard reference sparks debate on open house

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Permission for the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce to stage an open house at the county's new Emergency Operations Center at the entrance to Copper Ridge subdivision recently was approved in a split vote.

The proposal was presented by Commissioner Tom Battin, because no chamber representative attended the commission's April meeting.

After Commissioner Kathryn Minter objected, Battin asked for a roll-call vote, which ended up with Commissioner Jackie Powell, after a lengthy pause, voting against the motion with Minter. Commissioner Mark Doth and Chairman Eileen Sedillo voted with Battin. No date was set.

In offering the motion to approve, Battin said the open house would be handled in the same fashion as business open houses to introduce people to the center and staff, and explain their functions.

"Obviously this is not a business, but it would be an opportunity to show people what is there and it serves whole county," Battin said. "I talked to (County Manager Tom Stewart) about it and I believe our personnel there are excited about, but they need county permission. This does not involve any expense by the county."

Sedillo called for a second to the motion and when no one responded, offered the second herself.

"As I read through the

correspondence you sent us, this looked like more of a thank-you to Mr. [R. D.] Hubbard and Mr. [Paul] Wood," Minter said.

"That would be part of it," Battin replied.

"I have a problem with that," Minter shot back. "Even though he donated the property, I'm sure it helped sell his lots just like (Ranches of Sonterra) sold theirs. And at end of year, he gets his tax rebate."

"He probably divided the cost into the other 35 lots, so they paid for it. The cost is not the land, it is the building and the half million dollars of equipment in it and that comes out of taxpayer dollars when we pay our insurance premiums."

Minter proposed instead that a countywide open house be scheduled at all volunteer departments at the same time, allowing citizens to stop by and see their local stations, volunteers and trucks. The county could provide some food, or not.

"Even though I'm grateful to Mr. Hubbard, there are a lot of other citizens we should be thanking, not just him," Minter said.

Battin said the open house would be a "matter of common courtesy" in showing some gratitude for a great facility.

"Send a thank you (letter)," Minter interjected.

"I didn't interrupt you," Battin scolded. "They did donate the building in addition to the land. The county paid to put it up. And a few years prior, he donated the land and the building for

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Battin: "That would be part of it."

another fire station. It's easy to say he did it to enhance his own property and that's true."

But more recently, commissioners have asked every developer to donate property for fire stations to expand protection in the county, he noted.

"The reason to locate the central command center there was because it is central and could serve all of the fire station areas," Battin said. "I just think if anyone donates, regardless of their wealth, (an estimated \$350,000) to the county, I think they should be recognized. I understand the feelings about taxes, but I don't think they're related. It is appropriate to recognize gifts of that magnitude. I'm not sure the county ever received another of that significance."

Sedillo said when she seconded the motion, "I didn't realize it basically was for Mr. Hubbard," but she stood by the second, saying she is proud of the EOC. However, she also liked Minter's idea of opening all of the volunteer departments to residents for a day to show what this commission and prior commissions have done in an attempt to

take care of their residents with fire protection.

"When I first became a commissioner, I went to an open house in Tinnie and that was donated land and it was a nice open house put on by the residents, not by us or the chamber," she said.

Battin said the final plans were on hold awaiting approval from the commission. Each department could be asked to send a crew and some equipment to meet the public, or the EOC could be the first in a series of open houses at different stations.

"Whatever your feelings, we received a gift that can benefit county from now on and we should recognize it," Battin said. "I don't think a letter is adequate for that kind of recognition."

Minter remained adamant. "Every company does good will things, donations," she said. "I do appreciate (the EOC) and it is a

central location. I don't think bringing the people away from their departments is a smart idea. It would be better for those in Glencoe to see Glencoe."

One of the criticisms she has heard from constituents is that if someone cannot pay their taxes and asks for residents to help by paying a business retention gross receipt tax, maybe they shouldn't be giving donations. "That's how people approaching me expressed it, giving with one hand and taking with the other," she said.

In response to a message that Doth may have a conflict of interest about Hubbard and should recuse himself, Laura Doth, contacted at Grindstone Graphics Marketing, said neither the couple nor their firm does any business with Hubbard. "I sit on the board of the Hubbard Museum Foundation, but that is a nonpaid, volunteer position," she said. New Mexico's standard for conflict of interest relates to direct financial benefit.

E-mail exchanges between Battin and Stewart showed that the county manager halted the open house process, pending direction from the commission.

"I am uncomfortable and feel I can't go further in this

process," he wrote. "If the event is strictly a Chamber event, that is one thing. If it is a county eventthen that is another. I think I need to seek guidance from the Board of County Commissioners before going further." He placed the issue on the April agenda.

The original message to Battin came from Sandi Aguilar before she resigned as executive director of the chamber. She told Battin the Chamber Board agreed to promote a Ribbon Cutting and Grand Opening for the Emergency Training and Meeting Facility donated to the County at Copper Ridge.

"The board agreed as the major investors have businesses that are Chamber members (Ruidoso Downs Racetrack and FNF Construction) and this fits into our mission of prospering development," she wrote. "The event is proposed for May 24 in the late afternoon."

Members of the Greeters group also would participate, she wrote. "As I mentioned, the Chamber is able to promote this event as a Chamber Ribbon Cutting, inviting our members and area dignitaries, and will leave the specific arrangements for food and presentations up to you and your volunteers."

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Downs council may revisit water/sewer rate adjustment

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After a tie city council vote two weeks ago was deemed to have killed a plan to adjust to water and sewer rates in Ruidoso Downs, the council is

expected to get another crack at the measure. Apparently the tie vote could have been broken by the mayor. At the April 25 meeting, the council was told the adjustments failed because approval was needed from at least three

of the four councilors.

City Clerk Carol Virden Monday apologized for a "procedural error" concerning the tie vote.

"At times when we make errors, errors work in the best interest of all. The proper course of action

should have allowed Mayor Armstrong to vote (on the ordinance changes.) Again, I apologize. I'm not perfect."

Virden said she felt the public and city councilors did not have an opportunity to get "in depth" into the changes during the April 25 discussion.

Councilors Monday unanimously rescinded their earlier vote.

The council will hold a budget workshop next week to review the proposed budget for the fiscal year that begins July 1 and to digest information on the water and sewer rates.

Two weeks ago some council members balked at a number of the proposed increased charges, such as for new water system connections and security deposits.

Also raised during last month's debate was the July 1 gross receipts tax hike for sewage collection and treatment costs. The city council in March agreed to boost the GRT by 0.5 cents on the dollar, to a total rate of 7.625 percent.

That followed a Ruidoso Downs property tax increase in the mid-\$2,000s to help finance a new

wastewater treatment plant used by the city, the Village of Ruidoso, and portions of the Mescalero Apache Reservation.

In a May 9 memorandum to the mayor and city councilors, Public Works Director Cleatus Richards argued for the increases.

Pointing to the cost to make a typical residential connection to the water system, Richards said the "total cost amounts to a proposed fee of \$1,250." Larger sized meters take more time and materials resulting in high tap costs.

"The fee schedule is proposed to reimburse the city for labor, equipment and materials required to complete water taps and not to produce a profit," he wrote.

"Our equipment inventory is primarily old and will require replacement in the near future. Water is an enterprise fund and must be self supporting and not a drain on the general fund."

Resident Pam Williams called Richards' "self supporting" statement untrue.

"A community may choose to recover total services costs through user

charges, but it is not required to," Williams told the room. "Enterprise funds frequently are used to account for services whose costs are partially funded by fees and charges."

She called for a billing analysis before deciding water and sewer rates. The analysis would determine user trends and help in establishing a number of "step rates" based on flows. An impact analysis after a revised rate structure was implemented was also advocated to identify where "rate shock" might occur.

"There's going to be quite a discussion I believe on the workshop concerning the water rates," said Councilor Gary Williams. "That's going to be pretty in depth."

City Clerk Carol Virden recommended scheduling two days of workshops for the water/wastewater rates and the budget. She said if the second day is unnecessary, there would be no council session.

The first workshop, on May 18, will start at 3:30 p.m. A second day, if needed, would begin the same time on May 19.



Celandine Poppy

What's a better sight for winter-sore eyes than a bright burst of yellow in your spring garden? Celandine poppy (*Stylophorum diphyllum*) is a striking woodland flower with cheerful lemon-colored blooms from April to June. The deeply cut blue-green foliage will stay beautiful right through fall if you keep the soil moist. Since celandine poppy likes shade, it's a perfect pick for that hard-to-fill shady spot in your garden.

Common name: Celandine poppy

Botanical name: *Stylophorum diphyllum*

Plant type: Perennial

Zones: 4 to 9

Height: 1 to 1.5 feet

Family: Papaveraceae

Growing conditions

• **Sun:** Part shade to full shade

• **Soil:** Moist, humusy

• **Moisture:** Medium to wet

Care

• **Mulch:** Mulch to preserve moisture in the soil and prevent weeds.

• **Pruning:** None needed.

• **Fertilizer:** None needed.

Propagation

• **By seed or by division**

Pests and diseases

• Slugs and snails may be a

problem.

Garden notes

• Celandine poppy needs regular watering; plants will go dormant if the soil is too dry.

• *S. diphyllum* naturalizes well in shaded areas of wildflower or woodland gardens. It may get weedy or self-seed excessively under certain conditions.

• Celandine poppy looks great in a shady border among shrubs.

• The plant has rough, hairy, oblong-shaped green fruit that's considered ornamental.

• *S. diphyllum* is a good companion plant for other spring bloomers, such as Virginia bluebells, bloodroot, Jacob's

ladder, bleeding heart, and trout lily.

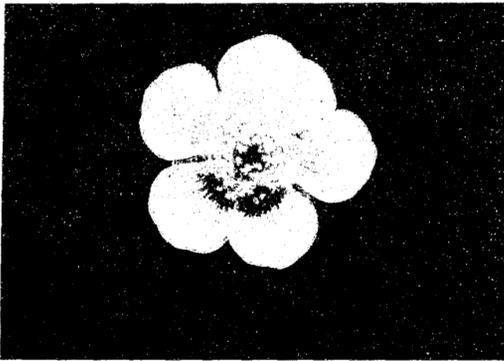
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• Papaveraceae is also known as the poppy family.

• Like other members of Papaveraceae, celandine poppy contains a yellowish-orange sap, which Native Americans used as dye for clothes, baskets, and war paint.

• The family contains the opium poppy (*P. somniferum*), which is cultivated for its seeds (the poppy seeds used in cooking) and for its use in making opium and opiates.

• Celandine poppy is the only member of the genus native to the United States.



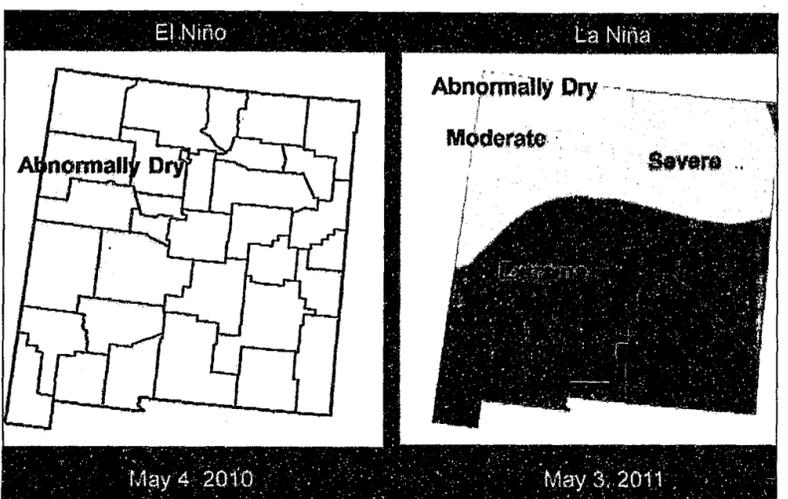
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Niña conditions were still in place, but not as severe as the previous six months. A La Niña usually means reduced moisture for southern New Mexico, while an El Niño typically delivers more precipitation.

A more neutral climate pattern in the tropical Pacific Ocean was expected to develop in the coming weeks and continue into summer, according to the forecast report. And the longer-range forecast suggests average precipitation could be on tap.

"The odds are in our

favor," Polasko said. "But the problem is we've got to get to the monsoon season before we can realize some of this. We've got another six weeks before we see any bit of relief from summer rains."

Whether the pendulum continues its reverse and an El Niño takes over later this year is a question without an answer.

"Most of the models that universities, the weather service, and different corporations run to try to figure out what El Niño-La Niña is going to do next indicate

we're going to head out of La Niña and back into more neutral territory for the summer. Some models indicate we might be into the very weakest side of El Niño come next fall. But the problem is there are some studies saying that when we've had a very strong La Niña, which we're just coming out of, then we tend to slip back into that minor La Niña phenomenon for the following year. So those odds (of developing an El Niño) don't point either direction at this point. Right now things aren't looking too good but the odds are in our favor for the monsoons. After that, it's pretty much a wash."

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Thank you and thank God for all of you..

Bill and Karita Dean

County denies funds for Lincoln County Food Bank

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Along with the requests for funding from a half-dozen other organizations, the Lincoln County Food Bank's submission for \$10,000 of support from the county's Fiscal Year 2011-2012 budget was turned down last week.

"We're going to have a board meeting in a week to 10 days and we have to make some decision" as a result of the funding cut, said Ray Alborn, president of the food bank and mayor of Ruidoso. "I'll advocate changing the name of the food bank and removing Lincoln County. We'll just have to move forward. It's regrettable, but we have people who count on us for food and we have to adjust and find a way.

"If they have such a great food bank in Carrizozo, and the Lincoln County commission chooses not to fund us, we have to decide whether to contin-

ue to serve people from Carrizozo and Capitan. The more food banks the better, because food is getting out to the people."

At the commission budget meeting May 3, Food Bank Vice President Christopher Carusona said the organization began in 1986, and sources of food donations include food drives by schools, businesses and civic groups, as well as cash from corporations and individuals. The third source is the county, requested to kick in some money only for the last few years, he said.

"We came because the number of clients we're serving is staggering, more than double since 2007," Carusona said. "We served 7,500 people last year. When I got involved 15 years ago, we'd do 15 to 25 a month. Last Friday, we did 43 families and the day (Commissioner Mark Doth) was there, we did 35.

"We are being caught up in this economic situation.

"Oh my god. What have we done with three casinos in this area and half our people don't have enough to eat?"

The good thing about the food bank is all donations go strictly to clients, except we pay the monthly phone bill and for board insurance, no other expenses."

The program was housed free in First Presbyterian Church, St. Eleanor's Catholic Church and now in the Ruidoso Downs Baptist Church, he said. Donations are spent to buy food.

Shopping is done locally. The operation is run by 62 volunteers and run by nine board members.

"Some (clients) come in every month, they're on fixed incomes, the elderly,

disabled, they've lost their jobs or can't work anymore," he said. "The price of food has gone up the first three months this year by 9 percent."

Coming to ask for a box of food each month "has to be a humbling experience," Carusona said. All that is required is proof of residency, he said.

Doth said when he visited the food bank, he could see "You guys work really hard to do what you do. I asked for some statistics on number of repeat customers versus new for today's meeting."

Carusona said he started looking into those statistics, but didn't have not enough time. "It's a big job. You have to go month by month and break it out," he said.

"What is the level of monetary support from the village (of Ruidoso) or the city (of Ruidoso Downs)?" Doth asked.

"None," Carusona replied.

At that point Commissioner Jackie Powell interrupted, saying, "More and more and more there seems to be a disconnect of where our food comes from. I appreciate your hard work, but I cannot give out food any longer without recognizing the farmers and ranchers of America.

I go to Walmart and everything is from China, South America and Mexico.

"I think we need to reach out more and more to our 47 churches in this area. I think we're getting away from what we were when I was a kid. You say 7,500 (use the food bank) out of county with 20,000 residents. Oh my god. What have we done with three casinos in this area and half of our people don't have enough food to eat? It's more of a handout and forgetting how hard it is to create that hand out."

Carusona said the Food Bank will become a beneficiary of the produce locally grown in Smokey's Garden,

a project of the Smokey Bear Ranger District of the Lincoln National Forest.

Sue Alborn, food bank secretary, told Doth, "We only give out one box a month to a person. They could only receive 12 a year. How many are repeat is immaterial. They may come once, but they sure can't come more than 12 times in a year." Not aware at the time that commissioners would decide later the same day whether to fund, Alborn said she was trying to come up with an exact figure for Doth on repeat clients.

Ray Alborn said more than 50 people came in last Wednesday and another 30 were coming in Friday.

"We're not in the judgment business," he said. "We ask for a picture ID that shows they live in Lincoln County, we make sure it's been a month since they were in and we tell them thank you. I regret some of these people are passing judgment."

Downs joins village, county in DWI funding application

Ruidoso would act as the fiscal agent

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Ruidoso Downs will join with Ruidoso and Lincoln County in filing a joint application for funding to fight intoxicated driving.

The city signed a memorandum of agreement to apply for funding of a comprehensive Community DWI Program through the New Mexico Department of Transportation.

Ruidoso would be the fiscal agent in applying for the grant funding.

"The City of Ruidoso Downs, the County of Lincoln and the Village of Ruidoso agree to combine our funds and resources in achieving a common goal of removing DWI from the streets and highways of Lincoln County and thus reducing our highway traffic accidents that are alcohol related," the agreement stated.

The grant was expected to deliver about \$17,000 to

stop impaired driving, said William Hanson, the director of the Lincoln County DWI Program.

"This agreement involves the \$75 fee that is assessed on DWI convictions," Police Chief Doug Babcock said. "It's a different grant than the overtime saturation patrol grant."

The separate overtime program to pay officers for DWI enforcement beyond their regular shift would likely be before the Ruidoso Downs City Council next

month, Hanson said.

"And there's going to be a little discussion on that too, but we'll get to that," Hanson said.

A special audit, revealed in late March, found "inconsistencies" in calculating overtime in the police department. The overtime involved the funding from the New Mexico Local DWI Grant program.

A confidential memo from a police officer to the

city's personnel department last year claimed the officer had been instructed by supervisors to falsify time sheets in order to report DWI grant overtime. The memo noted the officer refused to falsify the record.

The audit report noted instances of time discrepancies between police department call sheets and time sheets, situations were an officer called in

sick on the call sheet but was reported as having worked on the time sheet, and incorrectly calculated overtime.

The amount of possible overtime fraud was estimated by the auditor at about \$1,600, largely during a part of 2010.

City officials said in late March corrective actions would be put in place to address the issues raised in the special audit.

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Wednesday, May 11
State semifinal: Capitan versus McCurdy at UNM field in Albuquerque at 11 a.m.

Pro Baseball

Wednesday, May 11
Roswell Invaders at Ruidoso Osos, 4:05 p.m.
Friday, May 13
Ruidoso Osos at Roswell Invaders at 7:07 p.m. at Eastern New Mexico Fairgrounds
Saturday, May 14
Ruidoso Osos at Roswell Invaders at 7:05 p.m. at Eastern New Mexico Fairgrounds

On Deck

Hershey's Track Meet

Hershey's Track Meet, 2011, is for all kids between the ages of 9 and 14. Due to increased interest, the event has been rescheduled to Saturday, June 4, at 2 p.m. at the Ruidoso Warrior track on Warrior Drive to run, jump and throw for ribbons, health and a chance to qualify for the State and National Meet. And it's all free. Watch for flyers and posters at school. This is the same date Kids Fishing Day will take place in the morning, which is sponsored by the Village of Ruidoso and the U.S. Forest Service. For more info call you may go online at www.ruidoso-nm.gov or call 257-5030.

Senior Olympics

The Lincoln County Senior Olympics will hold golf qualifiers at Cree Meadows, 1 p.m. on May 14 (\$25 fee). All persons 50 years of age (as of 12/31/11) or older may participate. An entry fee of \$5 is required, which entitles the entrant to enter all events offered. Country participation is required to enter the state meet. For more info or directions call Sandee Jourden at 257-4565, 937-4416 or Bart Young at 257-3193.

SADSP Tennis Fundraiser

The first annual "Raise a Racket" Senior Doubles Tennis tournament will be held June 27-July 1 to benefit the Ski Apache Disabled Skiers Program (SADSP). The tournament will be for players over 50-years-of-age and will be played at Alto Lakes Golf and Country Club, Kokopelli Golf, Tennis and Social Club and the Ruidoso Parks and Recreation courts. Competition matches will feature women's doubles, men's doubles and mixed doubles. Entry fee is \$40 per event and all proceeds go to SADSP, which is one of the oldest adaptive ski schools in the country. It depends on fees, grants, donations and fundraisers to operate. The program is in need of a "bi-ski," which enables a non-ambulatory person to sit and experience skiing with the aid of a volunteer. The Raise a Racket tournament hopes to raise \$4,000 to purchase a new and updated bi-ski for next season.

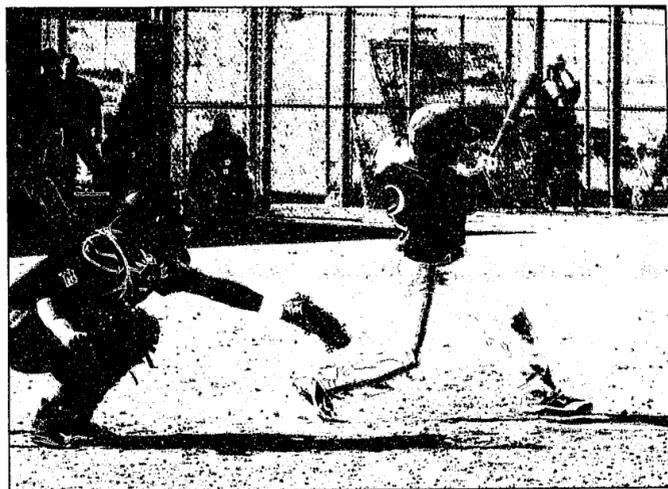
Capitan Tigers Benefit Golf

There will be a Capitan Tiger Golf Team benefit tournament, Sunday, May 15, at the Links at Sierra Blanca at 1 p.m. It will be a four-person scramble with a shotgun start. There will be a \$65 fee, which will cover green fees, cart and range. Prizes will be awarded for first place, long drive and closest to the pin. Fees should be paid at the golf course. To provide player's names (by Saturday, May 14), and for other info, contact Royce Brown at 354-8589 (work); 336-9955 (home) or 937-4686 (cell)

RUIDOSO OSOS WIN HOME OPENER



Mayor Ray Alborn (center) and dignitaries are shown after the Mayor threw out the ceremonial pitch to mark Tuesday's initial game for the Ruidoso Osos.



Chris Davis slams a big home run for the Osos in the bottom of the fifth inning.



Kip Masuda almost gets a piece of one.



Mike DeVito takes one for the team.



Erik Campos throws the first pitch of the game.



Drew Peterson scored the first run of the game.

The Ruidoso Osos opened their initial game against the Roswell Invaders with a spectacular 18-13 win

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The Ruidoso Osos, of the fledgling Pecos Baseball League with an 18-13 win over the visiting Roswell Invaders Tuesday at the White Mountain Sports Complex.

Osos hurler, right-hand-

er Erik Campos took the mound with Kip Masuda behind the dish as his batterymate.

Campos looked strong in the first inning of play striking out the first Roswell batter and getting the next two hitters to fly out to center and ground out to short. He threw a

total of nine pitches in his first inning on the rubber.

Campos faced only four batters in the top of the second but gave up a home run that knotted the score at 1-1.

He was backed up in the second by a strong effort from shortstop Chris Davis when Davis had to go deep in the hole to get the ball and throw the runner out. Davis looks to be a gamer, both in the field and as a hitter. More should be heard from him in the future.

In the third inning, Campos ran into trouble as

he faced eight hitters, giving up three walks and two hits. Only two Roswell runs crossed the plate.

The Osos came roaring back in the bottom of the third with six runs and reclaimed the lead, 7-3.

Campos was relieved in the top of the fourth by left-hander Leo Madrid but the Invaders scored seven runs and led 10-3 going into the fifth.

The bottom of the fifth proved to be the biggest inning of the game for the Osos as they put eight runs across the plate.

With a 15-11 lead after

six innings of play the Ruidoso Osos never looked back and won going away with a 5-run victory.

The same two teams will meet again at the White Mountain Sports Complex at 4:05 p.m. Wednesday. Come on out and enjoy the sound of wood bats coming in contact with an 85-plus mph baseball.

Field Manager Kevin Griffin looked 100 percent focused throughout the game. Griffin looks to have some athletes on his team who can fill the bill once he figures out exactly what he has on his 36-man roster.

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Results

Prep Baseball

Friday, May 6
State playoffs
Raton 11, Ruidoso 8
Saturday, May 7
Raton 7, Ruidoso 4

Sports On Tap

Prep Baseball

Wednesday, May 11
State semifinal: Capitan versus McCurdy at UNM field in Albuquerque at 11 a.m.

Pro Baseball

Wednesday, May 11
Roswell Invaders at Ruidoso Osos, 4:05 p.m.
Friday, May 13
Ruidoso Osos at Roswell Invaders at 7:07 p.m. at Eastern New Mexico Fairgrounds
Saturday, May 14
Ruidoso Osos at Roswell Invaders at 7:05 p.m. at Eastern New Mexico Fairgrounds

On Deck

Hershey's Track Meet

Hershey's Track Meet, 2011, is for all kids between the ages of 9 and 14. Due to increased interest, the event has been rescheduled to Saturday, June 4, at 2 p.m. at the Ruidoso Warrior track on Warrior Drive to run, jump and throw for ribbons, health and a chance to qualify for the State and National Meet. And it's all free. Watch for flyers and posters at school. This is the same date Kids Fishing Day will take place in the morning, which is sponsored by the Village of Ruidoso and the U.S. Forest Service. For more info call you may go online at www.ruidoso-nm.gov or call 257-5030.

Senior Olympics

The Lincoln County Senior Olympics will hold golf qualifiers at Cree Meadows, 1 p.m. on May 14 (\$25 fee). All persons 50 years of age (as of 12/31/11) or older may participate. An entry fee of \$5 is required, which entitles the entrant to enter all events offered. Country participation is required to enter the state meet. For more info or directions call Sandee Jourden at 257-4565, 937-4416 or Bart Young at 257-3193.

SADSP Tennis Fundraiser

The first annual "Raise a Racket" Senior Doubles Tennis tournament will be held June 27-July 1 to benefit the Ski Apache Disabled Skiers Program (SADSP). The tournament will be for players over 50-years-of-age and will be played at Alto Lakes Golf and Country Club, KoKopelli Golf, Tennis and Social Club and the Ruidoso Parks and Recreation courts. Competition matches will feature women's doubles, men's doubles and mixed doubles. Entry fee is \$40 per event and all proceeds go to SADSP, which is one of the oldest adaptive ski schools in the country. It depends on fees, grants, donations and fundraisers to operate. The program is in need of a "bi-ski," which enables a non-ambulatory person to sit and experience skiing with the aid of a volunteer. The Raise a Racket tournament hopes to raise \$4,000 to purchase a new and updated bi-ski for next season.

Capitan Tigers Benefit Golf

There will be a Capitan Tiger Golf Team benefit tournament, Sunday, May 15, at the Links at Sierra Blanca at 1 p.m. It will be a four-person scramble with a shotgun start. There will be a \$65 fee, which will cover green fees, cart and range. Prizes will be awarded for first place, long drive and closest to the pin. Fees should be paid at the golf course. To provide player's names (by Saturday, May 14), and for other info, contact Royce Brown at 354-8589 (work); 336-9955 (home) or 937-4686 (cell)

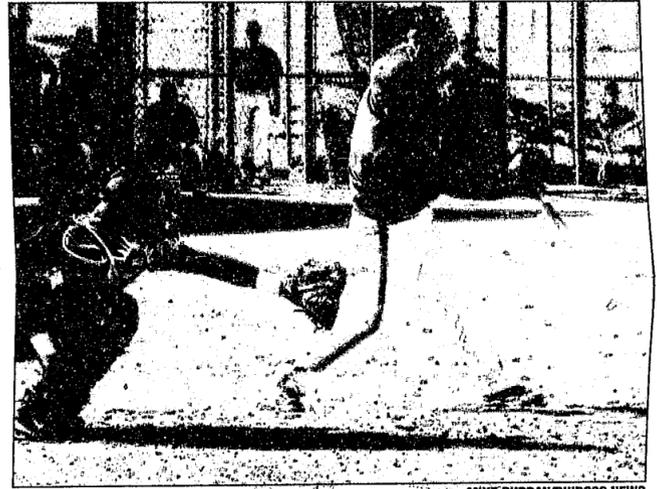
RUIDOSO OSOS WIN HOME OPENER



Mayor Ray Alborn (center) and dignitaries are shown after the Mayor threw out the ceremonial pitch to mark Tuesday's initial game for the Ruidoso Osos.



Chris Davis slams a big home run for the Osos in the bottom of the fifth inning.



Kip Masuda almost gets a piece of one.



Mike DeVito takes one for the team.



Erik Campos throws the first pitch of the game.



Drew Peterson scored the first run of the game.

The Ruidoso Osos opened their initial game against the Roswell Invaders with a spectacular 18-13 win

MIKE CURRAN
mcurran@ruidosonews.com

The Ruidoso Osos, of the fledgling Pecos Baseball League with an 18-13 win over the visiting Roswell Invaders Tuesday at the White Mountain Sports Complex.

Osos hurler, right-hand

er Erik Campos took the mound with Kip Masuda behind the dish as his batterymate.

Campos looked strong in the first inning of play striking out the first Roswell batter and getting the next two hitters to fly out to center and ground out to short. He threw a

total of nine pitches in his first inning on the rubber.

Campos faced only four batters in the top of the second but gave up a home run that knotted the score at 1-1.

He was backed up in the second by a strong effort from shortstop Chris Davis when Davis had to go deep in the hole to get the ball and throw the runner out. Davis looks to be a gamer, both in the field and as a hitter. More should be heard from him in the future.

In the third inning, Campos ran into trouble as

he faced eight hitters, giving up three walks and two hits. Only two Roswell runs crossed the plate.

The Osos came roaring back in the bottom of the third with six runs and reclaimed the lead, 7-3.

Campos was relieved in the top of the fourth by left-hander Leo Madrid but the Invaders scored seven runs and led 10-3 going into the fifth.

The bottom of the fifth proved to be the biggest inning of the game for the Osos as they put eight runs across the plate.

With a 15-11 lead after

six innings of play the Ruidoso Osos never looked back and won going away with a 5-run victory.

The same two teams will meet again at the White Mountain Sports Complex at 4:05 p.m. Wednesday. Come on out and enjoy the sound of wood bats coming in contact with an 85-plus mph baseball.

Field Manager Kevin Griffin looked 100 percent focused throughout the game. Griffin looks to have some athletes on his team who can fill the bill once he figures out exactly what he has on his 36-man roster.

The photos on this page by Mike Curran/Ruidoso News and are available at the Ruidoso News Media Center at www.ruidosonews.com.

COURTESY TY WYANT



Trainer Jackie Riddle sees one of her juveniles off to the gate.



Thirteen training races saw 65 two-year-old quarter horses go out of the gates Monday. There were 13 training races Tuesday and 12 more were scheduled for Wednesday. All the races were given 9:30 a.m. starts. A total of 195 horses were scheduled to race.

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The EMT team at Ruidoso Downs Race Track was on hand for the juvenile training races Monday. From, l-r, Cindy Jacoby, Barney Watson, Troylene Wood, Joann Wolfe and Darlene Hart.



Paul Jones returned from Los Alamitos just in time to help his assistant trainer, Lisa Saumell, with 19 scheduled racers on Monday, 16 on Tuesday and 14 on Wednesday.



R.D. Hubbard, left, and Shaun Hubbard keep a close eye on Monday's 13 training races at Ruidoso Downs.

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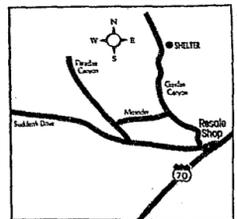
MARCELLA

Marcella is a beautiful cat who was left at the shelter in a cardboard box with her three kittens. She is a short haired cat with unique toledo markings. Marcella is a fairly petite cat, but with a ton of personality. She is affectionate and quite friendly with other cats. Marcella is now spayed, current on her vaccinations and ready to be adopted.

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JONAH

Jonah is a good looking Boxer mix, about 8 months old. He is very friendly, weighs about 38 pounds now, and does well with other dogs. Jonah loves going to the dog park and is great with everyone he meets there.

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KRISTY

Kristy is a spunky medium sized lab mix, about 6 months old. She has a sleek black coat with a little white on her chest. Kristy weighs about 30 pounds now.

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MARCY

Marcy is a very sweet Border Collie mix, about 1 year old. She weighs about 40 pounds, walks well on a leash and is very trainable. Marcy is sure to be a great family pet.

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PATCHES

Patches is a cute pit bull mix, about 1 year old. She is a compact little dog, weighing about 50 pounds. She is very sweet and affectionate. Patches was found with her litter of 4 puppies abandoned here in Ruidoso. She is ready to find a loving forever home.

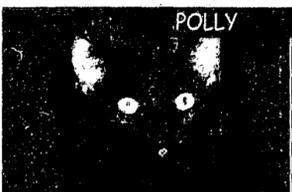
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GYPSEY

Gypsy is a very sweet Catahoula mix, about 7 months old. She has a beautiful brindle coat with white on her chest and paws. Gypsy is friendly, walks very well on a leash and did come from a home with other dogs.

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POLLY

Polly is a pretty, solid black cat with short hair. She is pretty laid back and quite friendly. Polly is about 8 months old.

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MARGE

Marge is a big, beautiful cat with lots of personality. She expects to be treated like royalty and will let you know it! Marge has unique torbie markings, is 3 years old, spayed and current on her vaccinations.

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SYDNEY

Sydney is a beautiful tortoiseshell with white on her neck and paws. She is quite mellow and around 2 years old. Sydney loves to be brushed and pet.

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CONRAD

Conrad is a laid back guy who would love a calm, mellow permanent home. He is a pretty grey tabby and white neutered male.

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WINNIE

Winnie is a cute torbie kitten, about 4 months old. She is very sweet and loving. Winnie has beautiful markings and will make a great pet..

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COMMUNITY LISTINGS

Lincoln County

Clubs/Associations

Alto Women's Association: 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Alto Club House for lunch and cards. Business meeting every first Tuesday.

Angus Wood Carvers: 5-8 p.m. every Monday, Nazarene Church Camp, Junction Hwys. 48 and 37; 336-9161.

Art Connection: Last Wednesday of each month. Innsbruck Club House. Info: Pat, 258-3602.

Carrizozo Women's Club: Second Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. at the clubhouse at 11th and D Avenue; Info: Tona Macken, 354-0769.

Duplicate Bridge Club: 1 p.m. every Thursday, Saturday and Tuesday, plus a 299ers game 1 p.m. Mondays; Ruidoso Senior Center; Info: 257-7411 or 257-6188.

Fort Stanton Museum: Thurs. - Mon., 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Sun. 12 - 4 p.m. For group tours call 575-336-1436, or 575-336-4015.

Insighters Book Club: 6:30 p.m. first Wednesday of each month at Insight Books, 1860 Sudderth; No charge and all are welcome; Info: 257-4625.

Lincoln County Bird Club: Monthly field trips are scheduled at various times. Info: 257-5352 or 258-3862.

Lincoln County Garden Club: Meets every third Tuesday of the month at 9:45 a.m.; New members and visitors welcome; Info: Jordan, 378-5250.

Lincoln County Right to Life Chapter: 6:30 p.m. every second Tuesday at 309 L.L. Davis Dr. All are welcome; Info: 258-5108.

Mountaintop Turners: Woodturning club, 10 a.m. every third Saturday at the woodshop of Steve and Madeleine Sabo. Info: 354-0201.

Party Bridge Group: 1 p.m. Wednesday and Friday at the Ruidoso Senior Center; 336-4808.

Photographic Society of Lincoln County: 7 p.m. every second Thursday in the conference room at the Region IX office at 1400 Sudderth Dr.; 258-4003.

Pine Top Rod and Custom Car Club: Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. at various locations; Doug Babcock, 257-7365.

Ruidoso Area Singles: Meet new friends for social activities - dining out, parties, potlucks, outings, dancing, games. Info: Linda, 575-258-

5863, or Martha, 575-430-9808.

Ruidoso Federated Woman's Club: Meets every Monday; program varies. Potluck and bridge/card games. Second Monday (Sept.-May) includes program, business meeting, potluck, bridge/card games. 116 S. Evergreen.

Ruidoso Masonic Lodge No. 73: Meets first Monday of each month, 7:30 p.m., except national holidays, then moves to second Monday. Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Info: 973-0953.

Ruidoso Mommies Group: Want to meet other moms in the area through playdates or Mom's night out? Call Natasha, 640-7076, or Alice, 258-3331, or Ruidoso Moms on Facebook

Ruidoso Ridge Runners 4-Wheel Drive Club: Meets 1st Wed. monthly at K-BOB's. Dinner 6 p.m. and meeting at 7. Info: 336-2714 or 378-4853.

Education

ESL classes: English as a Second Language classes sponsored by ENMU-Ruidoso Adult Basic Education; Mon-Thu, 9:30-11:30 a.m. at Nob Hill Portable G on El Paso Rd.; Mon, Tue, Thu, 6-8 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church; Spanish language GED Mon, 6-8 p.m. and meeting at 7. Info: 336-2714 or 378-4853.

First Friday Adult Lecture Series: Monthly, Capitan Public Library, free. Info: 354-3035.

GED classes: Sponsored by ENMU-Ruidoso Adult Basic Education; Mon-Fri, 9-11 and Mon-Tues, 5:30-7:30, at NM Workforce Connection in Compass Bank Bldg., 707 Mechem.

La Junta F.C.E.: 10:45 a.m. every 3rd Wednesday at San Patricio Senior Citizens building. Info: 653-4718.

Help & Healing

A Course in Miracles: Attitudinal Healing study group: Each Tuesday; 5:30 p.m. High Mesa Healing Center, 336-7777.

A Course in Miracles study group: Wednesdays, 6:45 - 8 p.m. Free. Drop-ins welcome. The Wisdom Study Group. At The Yoga Studio, 2810 Sudderth Dr., #207, (upstairs to right of and above Schlotzky's) Call Marianne 575-257-0527.

Al-Anon: Meets at 10:30 a.m. every Saturday and 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday, 1216 Mechem Dr., Unit 1, ground floor, Ruidoso; info: 258-8885.

Al-Anon: Meets at noon every Friday at Methodist church in Carrizozo. Come to back door; bring your lunch.

Alcoholics Anonymous: Ruidoso Arid Group. Daily 7:30 a.m., noon, 5:15 p.m.; Thurs., 6:30 p.m.; Fri, Sat, Sun, 8 p.m. 1216 Mechem Dr., Unit 1, (ground fl) Ruidoso. Info: 258-8885.

Bereavement or Grief Support: For the community. Call Ruidoso Home Care & Hospice Foundation. Info: 258-0028.

Co-Dependents Anonymous: 6:30 p.m. Mondays at Holy Mount Episcopal Church, Ruidoso. Info: 808-2959.

COPE: Center of Protective Environment -1204 Mechem Drive, Suite 12. Ruidoso, NM. 575-258-4946. M-Thur. 8:00-5:00, Fri. 8-12n.

Gamblers Anonymous: Meets at 7:15 p.m., Thursdays at the Mesalero Reformed Church, 336 Wardlaw Dr. For more information, contact Mike at 575-682-6200.

H.E.A.L. (Help End Abuse for Life): Domestic violence shelter and hotline: 1-866-378-6378.

Holiday Grief Support: Tuesdays, 10 a.m. - noon, Ruidoso Public Library conference room. Sponsored by Ruidoso Home Care & Hospice Foundation, 575-258-0028.

Meditation Practice: First Wednesday of each month; 6:30 p.m. High Mesa Healing Center, 336-7777.

Mountain High Recovery Group of Narcotics Anonymous: Meets Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays 7 p.m. at Ruidoso Downs First Baptist Church, 361 Highway 70 East.

Open Circle: Each Sunday; 9:30 a.m. High Mesa Healing Center, 336-7777.

Parenting Classes: Counseling Center Prevention Program facilitates all parents seeking to enhance parenting skills, resolve issues and prevent substance use. Families with children ages 5-17 years of age that complete all requirements of the class qualify for a \$150 stipend. Qualifications and info: Brenda Motley-Lopez or Salli Mason at 257-0520.

Parents of Addicted Children: New Name Ministry offers help for parents of addicted children. For appointment, phone 802-0263 in Ruidoso and leave a message. Payment of free-will offering appreciated.

Prepared Childbirth Classes: Meets 7 p.m. Tuesdays at the Lincoln County Medical Center's conference room. Six classes per ses-

sion with qualified, certified instructors; Info: 257-7381 (ask for OB dept.).

Sanctuary on the River: Life enrichment classes, seminars. 207 Eagle Dr. 630-1111. sanctuaryontheriver.com.

Science of Mind Study Group: Each second and fourth Saturday; 10:30 a.m.-noon; High Mesa Healing Center, 336-7777.

Sex Addicts Anonymous: 5:30 p.m. Thursdays at the Episcopal Church Parish Hall meeting room, 121 Mesalero Trall. Info: 575-201-4203.

Stretch & Tone Class: For men and women of all ages, 9-10 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Senior Center, 501 Sudderth; Emese, 258-0003, or Terry Franklin, 257-4565.

Working Disabled Health Insurance: State of N.M. Working Disabled Individuals Medicaid Program; call Jeanie White at 575-622-4169

Political

Democratic Party of Lincoln County: Monthly meetings 6 p.m. first Thursday of each at K-Bobs. Info: Dick Maston 336-2170.

Democratic Women Sacramento Mountain Area: Third Saturday at Pizza Hut, 1201 Mechem, 11:30 a.m. For information call 808-1133 or 257-6078.

Federated Republican Women of Lincoln County: Meets 4th Monday monthly, 11:30 a.m., Ruidoso Senior Center. Bring sack lunch. For information, call 430-7258.

Republican Party of Lincoln County: Meetings at Cree Meadows Country Club; info, 336-7038.

Service Organizations

Altrosa Club: 5 p.m. every third Tuesday, First Christian Church, 1211 Hull Rd. Info: Deb 336-1486 or www.altrosaruidoso.com.

Boy Scouts of America, Troop 52: 6:20 p.m. every other Wednesday; Angus Church of the Nazarene. Info: 808-1172.

Boy Scouts of America, Troop 59: 6 p.m. every Monday, Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount. Info: Mark, 378-5623.

B.P.O. Elks No. 2086: 7 p.m., first and third Thursdays, Elks Lodge Building, U.S. 70; Info: 257-2607.

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Children's TeamKids Discipleship Program: 6-7:45 p.m. Wednesdays (Sept.-May), First Baptist Church, 270 Country Club Dr., Ruidoso. For children age 4 to 6th grade; Info: 257-2081, www.fbcuidoso.com.

Friends of Capitan Library: Call for volunteers for Not 2 Shabby Thrift Shop. Info: Raylene, 354-3046 or library, 354-3035.

Humane Society of Lincoln County: Gavilan Canyon Rd. shelter open Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri 11 a.m.-4 p.m. and Sat 11-2; ReSale Shop at the 'Y' open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Mon-Sat; Info: 378-1040.

Kiwanis: Tuesdays at noon at K-BOB's; Rutalee, 258-1431.

Laughing Eyes Kennels: Nonprofit breeder and trainer of service dogs seeks volunteers to assist with dog handling, socialization, bookkeeping, fundraising, kennel upkeep. Call 575-354-4342, or www.lekennels.org.

Lincoln County Community Health Council: 8 a.m. first Tuesday of each month at Community United Methodist Church, 220 Junction Rd. New members welcome. Info: 973-1829.

Lincoln County Medical Center Auxiliary: 9:30 a.m. second Tuesday of each month in the hospital conference room. New volunteers welcome. Info: 630-4250.

Lincoln County Sheriff's Posse: Meets first Sunday monthly, 2 p.m. at Posse building, Hwy. 54, Carrizozo. Groups needing volunteer security services, notify by mail one month prior to the monthly meeting. Send to P.O. Box 1284, Capitan, NM 88316. Info: 575-354-8007.

OES Ruidoso Chapter 65: Meeting every second Thursday at 7:30 p.m. 144 Nob Hill Dr. Info: 257-5313.

Optimist Club (Friends of Youth): Noon every Wednesday at K-BOB's. Info: 257-5938 or 258-9218.

PEO (Philanthropic Educational Organization) Chapter AR: Meeting every second and fourth Tuesdays. Info: Jennie Powell, 258-3896.

Rotary International, Ruidoso-Hondo Valley Club: 11:45 a.m. every Tuesday at Cree Meadows Country Club. Info: Gary 258-0059, Georgia 937-0564.

Ruidoso Downs Auxiliary: 7 p.m. every first Monday at the Ruidoso Downs Senior Center off East Highway 70; Info: 378-8099 or 378-

8316.

Ruidoso Evening Lions: Tuesdays at 7 p.m. at the Evening Lions Club House, 106 S. Overlook (behind Chef Lupe's). New members always welcome. Info: Mike Zaragosa, 937-0768 or Harold Oakes, 937-7618.

Ruidoso Needle Crafters Club: Every Sunday at Books, Etc., 2340 Sudderth Dr., 2-4 p.m. 575-257-1594.

Ruidoso Shrine Club: 6:00 p.m. every fourth Wednesday at Cattle Baron Sudderth. 336-2541.

Ruidoso Valley Noon Lions Club: Meets at 11:30 a.m. every Tuesday for lunch and meeting at Cree Meadows Country Club; Info: 258-1345.

Sacramento Mountain Village: Senior service & activity group, open to 55 years and older; meets 4th Sat. of month, 9:30 a.m., Cree Meadows CC. 258-2120 or sacmtnvillage.org.

Sierra Blanca Daughters of the American Revolution: Third Thursday of each month. Info: 258-3045.

Zia Girl Scout Council: 6 p.m. every third Thursday at the Cherokee Mobile Village Clubhouse on U.S. 70. Info: 437-2921.

Veterans

American Legion Jerome D. Klein Post 79: 11 a.m. every third Saturday, SE corner Spring St. & Hwy. 70, Ruidoso Downs. Info: 973-1719.

American Legion James A Hipp, Post 57: First Tuesday each month at 7 p.m. St. Citizens Center, Capitan. 575-336-2194

VFW Post 12071 meets the third Monday of each month at Evening Lions Hut at 106 Overlook (behind Chef Lupe's) at 7 p.m. All eligible veterans of foreign wars are invited to attend and join. For more information call: 575-808-1227.

VFW Post 12071 Ladies Auxiliary meets third Monday of each month at 1200 Sudderth (across the street from In-Ka-Hoots) at 7 p.m. All eligible spouses, mothers, daughters, and widows of veterans of foreign wars are invited to attend and join. For more information, please call: 575-258-1345.

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Transit ridership up, funding up in the air

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Fueled in part by the increase in gasoline prices, Lincoln County Transit saw a dramatic increase in ridership this year, Patricia DeSoto told county commissioners last week during a Fiscal Year 2011-2012 budget session.

But by the end of the meeting, none of the commissioners offered a motion to approve her request for \$28,874.08.

The director of the transit service said the county portion would be part of the local matching money for a federal grant.

The Transit is a 5311 federally funded Public Transportation Service that employs four people full time. It operates on \$146,465.34 of federal dollars with the city of Ruidoso Downs, the original sponsor, kicking in \$28,308 as a match, the village of Ruidoso and the county, each contributing \$25,000, DeSoto said.

To boost earned revenues to cover higher gasoline expense, the fee per trip in Ruidoso/Ruidoso Downs was increased April 1, from \$1 to \$2, and county rides to \$4 for reservations in advance. Same day service for Ruidoso/Ruidoso Downs is \$5. Revenues generated this year were \$19,459.22.

The federal program matches 80 percent of the administration cost and 50

percent of the operational expenses, she said.

"As funding flatlined the last few years, we knew we had to become more efficient in routes," DeSoto said. She outlined on a map for commissioners the one main route and three smaller routes in Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs that sweep in the Inn of the Mountain Gods and Walmart, the Mescalero Travel Center, Paradise Canyon and Gavilan Canyon.

"I'd love to still serve the county," she said, proposing that requests for rides originating from outside the population core could be set up 24 hours in advance, which would allow her to schedule clusters of riders going in the same direction. "If we could coordinate 24 hour notice, we could serve Capitan, Carrizozo, Hondo Valley and Alto. As ridership increased, we'd add potential spots," DeSoto said.

"Who benefits? The entire county," she said.

Her riders include students, shoppers, people on doctor's appointment and those visiting senior centers, DeSoto said.

"I helped one young man in Glencoe get his (General Equivalency Diploma) and he's now working and a contributing member of society," she said.

DeSoto also explained to Commissioner Kathryn Minter that when more local revenue is generated from increased fees, it cuts

the operational expense figure and therefore, the federal match.

That's not the case if the money comes from the local match, she said. If local support is lost for the transit, the federal money will go to another community, it will not be a savings of federal dollars, she emphasized.

She noted that commissioners represent the entire county, not just the more remote or unincorporated communities and she urged them to continue their support for the transit system.

"I was not on the commission the last time you spoke," Commissioner Mark Doth said, "I'd like to know from (County Manager Tom Stewart), what is the status of funding from the county this year."

"The contract we put together for the transit required that the county would match the lowest contribution from either of the municipalities based on actual receipts that they paid their funds," Stewart said. "Thus far, we've failed to receive the receipts, so \$25,000 still is in the county coffers. We need demonstration of the match and I still don't have that."

Contacted last Wednesday, Mayor Ray Alborn said his wife, Sue, heard Stewart dilemma because she was at the budget session to represent the Lincoln County Food Bank. She came home and asked about the village's pay-

ment.

"I'm looking at a copy of a Jan. 27, 2011 check right now payable to the city (of Ruidoso Downs) signed by myself and Miss Lee (Village Manager Debi Lee) with an attachment letter from (the city's finance director) requesting it for funding the transit," Alborn said. "Ruidoso Downs is the fiscal agent and they should have sent the information to Mr. Stewart. I talked to him yesterday afternoon and will fax it to him this morning and clear that up."

"We have tentatively placed (a check for the same amount) for next year, but it has not been approved (by the council) yet."

Alborn said he thinks the transit is very important, because of the senior citizens and others in the village who need transportation. "I'm in full support," he said.

The mayor recalled a recent lunch meeting when he was approached by a waiter who said he hoped Alborn would support the transit system. He told me, "I have a car, but doesn't run and I don't have the money to fix it, but I can come to work on the transit. Without it, I have no way to come to work." I know I see people riding in there who are elderly. We need to do all we can to help people within reason, and not pass judgment on their situations."

Commissioner Jackie Powell said the commission must make a business decision on whether to fund and she recalled recommending last year that the transit not be funded for 2011-2012. "There's no free money and this could be why the United State is \$3 trillion in debt. The income is \$20,000. There are 47 churches that need to start kicking in and people should start helping people, when the government is broke."

DeSoto emphasized again that, "We don't have a choice where that federal funding goes. If we're not using it, somebody else will be."

Minter said she appreciated DeSoto's route concept and that she could see visitors using the transit too.

Former commissioner Maury St. John, who serves on the transit board, said when the transit proposal first was conceived, it was with the idea that transportation is needed for those who could no longer drive themselves.

"If they have doctor's appointments, the family had to take off from their jobs and it penalized everybody," said St. John, an oncology nurse who works with many elderly patients. She's seen seniors regain their sense of independence because they could ride the transit to shop or to appointments, she said.

"I know it is not reaching as much into the outly-

ing areas as you would want, but we have to get it established," she said. "All of those living within the municipalities are county residents and pay county taxes. I hope you continue to support it. I believe it is real important."

Minter said no public transit system supports itself. They all rely on subsidies.

"If the federal funds go away, we would be stuck," Commission Chairman Eileen Sedillo said.

"The program would probably have to be dropped," DeSoto said. But just 2 percent of the national gas tax goes to public transit and I don't see that as something to be taken away with the emphasis on creating a greener planet. It offers transport at a reasonable affordable cost, which is important with gasoline at \$4 a gallon."

At that point, an older woman stood up in the audience and came to the podium. She said her car broke down and she's "stuck in a town (Carrizozo) where there is nothing. I have to go to Ruidoso or Alamogordo to get the stuff I need."

Sedillo told her she can pay for Safe Ride service or go on a Senior Citizen van.

"I'm an independent person," the woman said. "I don't like to go with groups. I like the freedom to go where I like to go."

Sedillo replied, "We all like our freedoms."

Tri-cultural influences

This past weekend was the 2011 New Mexico History Conference, hosted by Historical Society of New Mexico, Lincoln County Historical Society and Lincoln and Fort Stanton State Monuments.

Different events were held at Ruidoso, Ruidoso Downs, Lincoln, Ft. Stanton and White Oaks.

There is no doubt that the thoughts of the historians in attendance turned to the state's cuisine, created over centuries from the blend of Native Indian and Spanish cultures with Anglo influences added later.

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make for a tri-culture savory mixture. Today we can enjoy chicken enchiladas, Spam and egg burritos, venison tamales, cinnamon/sugar fried bread and green chile cheese burgers.

The origin

Carne adovada is known as a New Mexican dish, but in some parts of Mexico it is known as 'carne enchilada,' which means chile covered meat. In Spanish, adovada means to marinate in chile, vinegar and

oregano. Before refrigeration this is how meat was cured and pickled to serve at a later time. The name is used to describe a meat, usually pork, which has been marinated for hours. Some cook slow cook their carne adovada in a crock pot.

The May issue of New Mexico Magazine features a carne adovada recipe,

"New Mexico Lamb Adovada," by chef Rocky Durham, a native Santa Fean. The contributor to "Southwest Flavor," was introduced as child to New Mexican cooking.

In his version of carne adovada, Durham incorporates lamb, red chile powder, cumin, ground coriander, oregano, red wine, vegetable broth, honey and rosemary. This is too seasoned for my taste buds.

This week I share my quick and easy carne adovada recipe. I recently purchased tortillas made with a unique blend of white corn flour and wheat flour. Their size made a good soft taco holder for my carne adovada.

Carne Adovada

12 red chile pods
Garlic salt
Pork

Remove stems and most seeds from chile pods and cover with hot water in a food processor. When pods are soft, blend until almost smooth. Pieces of pulp and seeds are a distinctive part of carne adovada. Add 2 tablespoons flour and continue blending. Cook until thickened, seasoning with garlic salt.

Brown large pieces of pork meat in oil. Put meat in a casserole pan and pour only enough of the chile/flour mixture over the meat to smother it, saving the rest.

Bake uncovered for half an hour in a 350 degree oven.



Polly's Potpourri
By Polly E. Chavez

HISTORY REVISITED



POLLY E. CHAVEZ FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Member of the Historical Society of New Mexico visited the Torreón in Lincoln during the Historical Society's annual meeting, held in Lincoln County last weekend. The torreón, a circular stone fort, was erected by the area's earliest Hispanic settlers, as a defensive structure for protection against raiding Apaches. To the rear of the structure is a door from which the educators viewed the interior. The members of the Historical Society visited the San Juan Church, Dr. Woods house and other historic structure in Lincoln, which was once known as "las placitas del Rio Bonito."

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RUIDOSO MAGISTRATE COURT BRIEFS

April 19

Humberto Lerma pleaded no contest to a charge of open container.

Under a plea and disposition agreement Lerma reached with Assistant District Attorney Libby Williams, the State dismissed a charge of driving while license revoked.

Judge Lorena LaMay ordered Lerma to pay a \$25 fine and \$61 in court costs.

Cameron Williams 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, the State amended the charge from driving while license suspended or revoked.

LaMay sentenced Cameron Williams to 90 days of unsupervised probation and a \$100 fine.

Dennis Cannon pleaded not guilty to charges of driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs (3rd offense) and driving while license revoked.

LaMay found Cannon guilty of the charges.

Assistant District Attorney John Bernitz amended the charge from DWI 4th offense and dismissed a charge of careless driving and a probation violation charge.

LaMay sentenced Cannon to 90 days in jail, time served, to serve five years on supervised probation, install in ignition interlock device on his vehicle for three years, complete 96 hours of community service and to pay \$750 in fines for the DWI and 11 days in jail, time served, and a \$500 fine for the driving while license revoked.

Kenneth Payne pleaded no contest to two charges of driver must be licensed and one charge of expired registration.

Under a plea and disposition agreement reached by Denson and Bernitz, the State amended two charges of driving while license revoked and dismissed a charge of no insurance.

LaMay sentenced Payne to 270 days unsupervised probation and \$100 in

fin.

April 20

Jason Pillar pleaded no contest to a charge of driving while license revoked.

LaMay sentenced Pillar to seven days in jail, with credit for two days served, 357 days of supervised probation a \$300 fine and ordered Pillar to complete a 60 to 90-day treatment program within six months.

Xochitl Flores pleaded no contest to charges of driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs (1st offense) and speeding (55/45).

LaMay sentenced Flores to 364 days supervised probation, a \$300 fine, DWI School, and 24 hours of community service on the DWI and a \$15 fine and \$61 in court costs for the speeding charge.

Christopher Clark pleaded no contest to a charge of no seatbelt.

Under a plea and disposition agreement Clark reached with Libby Williams, the State dismissed a charge of driving while license suspended.

LaMay sentenced Clark to a \$25 fine and \$61 in court costs.

Kawauney Beck pleaded no contest to a charge of driver must be licensed.

Under a plea and disposition agreement Beck reached with Libby Williams, the State amended the charge from driving while license suspended.

LaMay sentenced Beck to five days in jail, time served, 85 days of unsupervised probation and a \$50 fine.

Rosemary Harrington pleaded no contest to two charges of driver must be licensed.

Under a plea and disposition agreement Harrington reached with Libby Williams, the State amended the charges from driving while license suspended and dismissed charges of equipment violation.

LaMay sentenced Harrington to five days in jail, time served, 175 days of unsupervised probation and a \$100 fine.

James Verdugo plead-

ed no contest to charges of driver must be licensed and no insurance.

Under a plea and disposition agreement Verdugo reached with Libby Williams, the State amended the charge from driving while license suspended.

LaMay sentenced Verdugo to 180 days of unsupervised probation and a \$100 fine.

Rachel Tortilla pleaded no contest to a charge of driver must be licensed.

Under an agreement Tortilla reached with Libby Williams, the State amended the charge from driving while license suspended.

LaMay sentenced Tortilla to 90 days unsupervised probation and a \$50 fine.

April 25

Shelly Marler pleaded no contest to charges of battery on a household member and minor in possession of alcohol.

LaMay sentenced Marler to 10 days in jail, time served, \$600 in fines and 40 hours of community service.

Miles Smith pleaded no contest to charges of attempt to contribute to the delinquency of a minor, shoplifting and open container.

Under a plea and disposition agreement reached by Denson and Assistant District Attorney Joanna Zimmerman, the State amended the charge of contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

LaMay sentenced Smith to 15 days in jail, time served, 531 days of supervised probation and \$325 in

Fire chief arrested for DWI

ASHLEY MEEKS
Las Cruces Sun-News

A Doña Ana County fire chief charged with aggravated drunken driving allegedly had a nearly empty bottle of whiskey in the government truck he was driving last week.

Garfield Volunteer Fire Department chief Henry E. Duran, 52, pleaded not guilty to the drunken driving charge, as well as charges of failing to maintain his lane and having an open container in the vehicle, in Ruidoso Magistrate Court on May 2.

A pre-trial hearing is scheduled for May 18.

Garfield, a tiny town about 10 miles north of Hatch, has an unpaid volunteer force of about 20, who use a small fleet of county vehicles to serve the area north of Hatch to the Sierra County line and west of Hatch to the Luna County line.

The white Ford Super Duty truck, with a New Mexico government license plate, was spotted speeding on Sudderth Drive, a main street in Ruidoso that merges with U.S. 70, at 1:55 a.m. April 27, according to Ruidoso Police Corporal Lawrence Chavez's criminal complaint.

After turning onto the highway, Duran nearly struck the curb, then crossed the center line and white side line of U.S. 70 before nearly colliding with a concrete barrier at the intersection of Mescalero Trail and U.S. 70.

An "overwhelming odor of alcohol" was reported when Chavez stopped Duran in front of the Holiday Inn Express, according to the criminal complaint.

Inside the vehicle, Chavez reported finding a nearly empty bottle of Lord Calvert Canadian Whiskey in the passenger seat.

Duran reportedly admitted to drinking and said he was coming from "the bar," and his blood-alcohol level was subsequently revealed to be .19 and .18, more than twice the legal limit of .08. Duran's vehicle was re-turned to him the following day and he was released on a \$1,400 cash bond.

Doña Ana County spokesman Jess Williams confirmed Duran's arrest, but declined to comment further because it involved "a personnel issue."

Duran's arrest came during a regional emergency management conference in Ruidoso, but registration records were not immediately available.

fin.

Robert Griewahn pleaded no contest to a charge of interference with communications.

Under a plea and disposition agreement reached by Denson and Zimmerman, the State dismissed a charge of battery on a household member.

LaMay sentenced Griewahn to 53 days in jail, time served, 311 days of supervised probation, screening, and a \$300 fine.

Jose Perez Molina pleaded no contest to charges of driver must be licensed, roadways laned for traffic, stop sign violation and speeding.

Under a plea and disposition agreement reached by Denson and Zimmerman, the State dismissed a charge of concealing identity.

LaMay sentenced Molina to 74 days in jail, time served, 108 days of unsu-

pervised probation and \$120 in fines. LaMay also ordered Molina to pay \$317 in court costs.

Magistrate Court briefs are compiled from judgment and sentencing documents provided by the courts.

†Gary Johnston†
1951-2011

Gary Johnston son of Bernie and Maxine Johnston. Passed away April 27, 2011. Gary was born in Roseburg Oregon July 19, 1951. He will be buried at Mt. Zion Cemetery in Mora, NM near Portales. Gary lived in the Ruidoso area and attended Grace Harvest Church. His memorial service will be held Saturday, May 14, 2011 at 2:00p.m. At Grace Harvest Church 806 Gavilan Canyon Rd.



†Robert A. Moeller†
1931-2011

Funeral services for Robert A. Moeller, 79, of Nogal will be Wednesday, May 11, at 1:00 PM in the LaGrone Funeral Chapel of Ruidoso with burial at the Evergreen Cemetery in Carrizozo. Mr. Moeller passed away Saturday, May 7, in Albuquerque. He was born September 26, 1931 at Oak Park, Illinois.

He served in the Army during the Korean War, received his MBA from the University of Michigan, founded the Akron Chess Club in Akron, Ohio and worked for the Cornwell Quality Tool Co. and the R.R. Donley Printing Co. He moved to Lincoln County in 1998 from Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio. In Lincoln County he was on the Lincoln County Advisory Committee and PLURRAC. He married Susie on August 13, 1988 at Akron, Ohio.

He is survived by his wife, Susie; two daughters, Michelle Ratcliff and Cheryl Whitecotton and her husband Tim; his beloved rescued pets and his Special Friends.

Pallbearers will be John Obermiller, Jerry Ligon, Jerry Grace, Dave Scott, Ray Dean and Peter Wolfe; Honorary Pallbearers, Bob Vanderzee, Ed Schreiner, Joe Yun, Denny Freeman, Jim Rokesek and Jerry Beardsley. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.lagroneRuidoso.com

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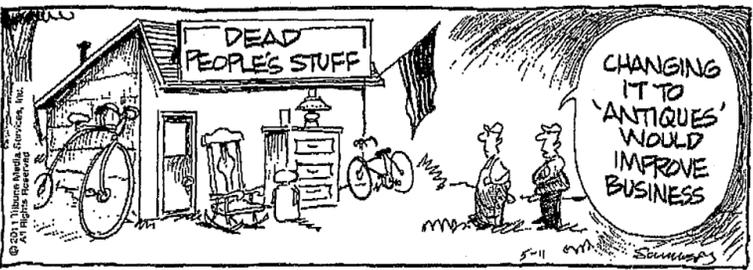
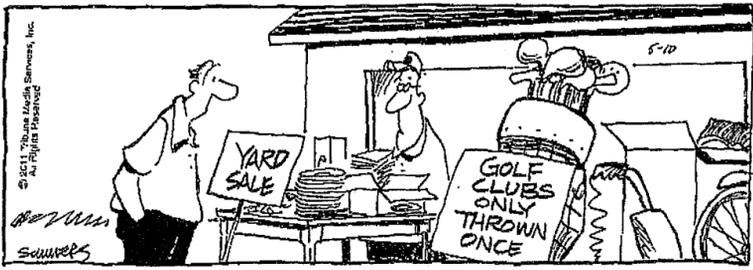
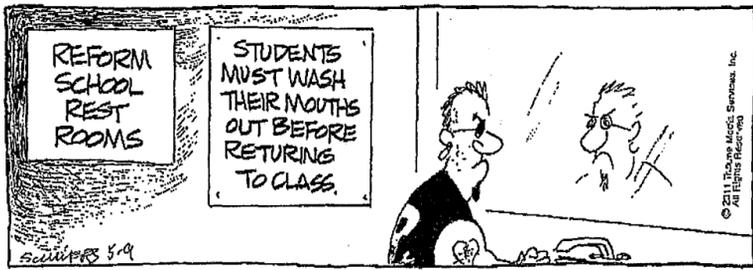
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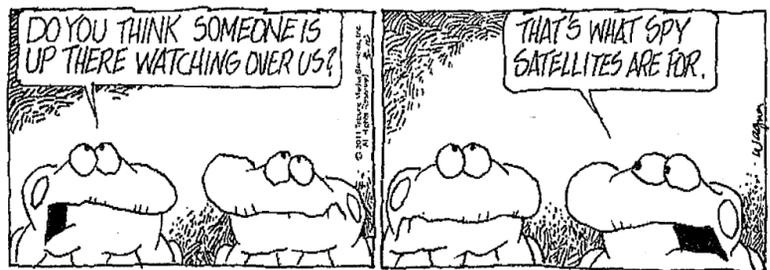
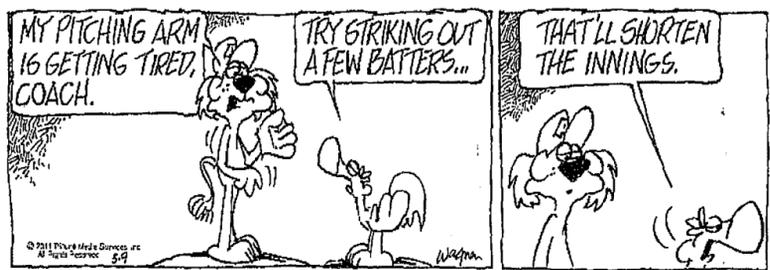
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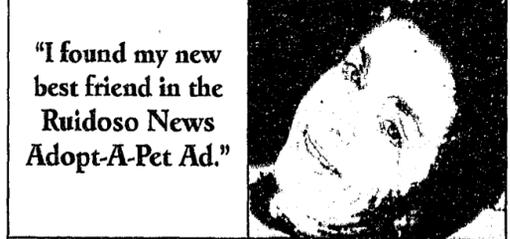
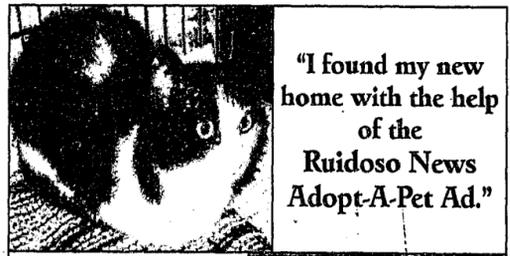


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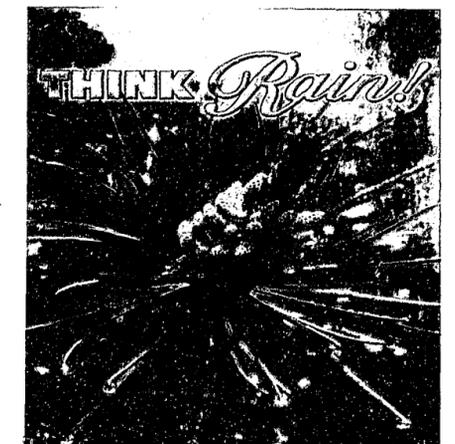
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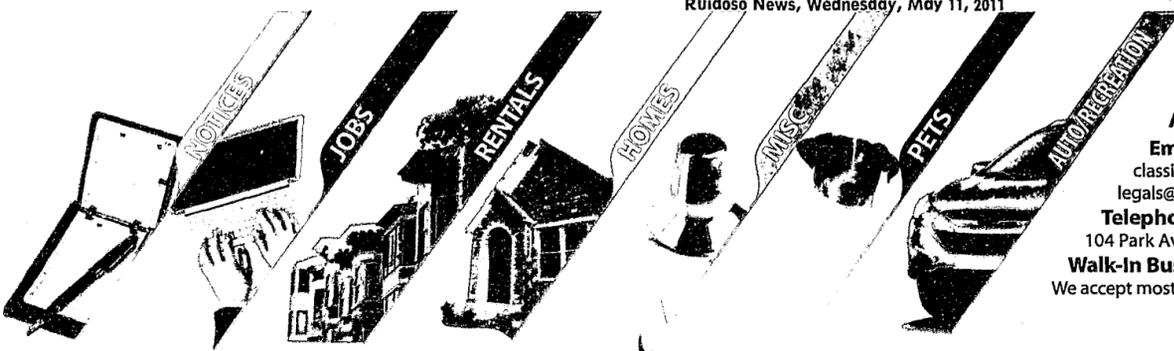


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This is a public meeting and all school patrons are invited to attend.
Done at Ruidoso, New Mexico this 11th day of May, 2011.
/s/ Bea Etta Harris Superintendent

Legal Notices 152

Jan Perry CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT
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Legal Notices 152

#9299 3T (5/6,11,13)
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CAPITAN MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
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Legal Notices 152

#9300 3T (4/27) (5/4), (5/11)
STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
FINANCIAL FREE-DOM ACQUISITION LLC, Plaintiff, v. THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES OR LEGATEES OF EMMA GURROLA, DECEASED; HECTOR B. GURROLA, DECEASED; AND THE SEVENTH OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, WHOSE NAMES ARE UNKNOWN; AND THE UNKNOWN SURVIVING SPOUSE OF EMMA GURROLA, IF ANY; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF HECTOR B. GURROLA, IF ANY; Defendants.
No. 11-226-CV-201100088
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STATE OF NEW MEXICO to the undersigned and named defendant the Unknown Heirs, Devisees, or Legatees of Emma G. Gurrola, Deceased, and the Unknown Surviving Spouse of Emma G. Gurrola, if any.

Legal Notices 152

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WITNESS the Honorable KAREN D. PARSONS, DISTRICT COURT JUDGE, of the Twelfth Judicial District of New Mexico County of Lincoln County.

Legal Notices 152

Twelfth Judicial District Court County of Lincoln New Mexico
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ROBERT PAUL DUDICH, Deceased.
Cause No. PB-2011-13 Division III
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
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DATED: April 15, 2011.
/s/ Ms. Jolinda Perryman 349 Country Club Dr. Ruidoso, NM 88345
Respectfully Submitted:
ADAM D. RAKFIN, Esq. P.O. Box 1919 Ruidoso, NM 88345 (575) 257-0129 / (575) 257-0129 ATTORNEY FOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Legal Notices 152

#9319 2T (5/11), 18
STATE OF NEW MEXICO PROBATE COURT LINCOLN COUNTY
In the matter of the Estate of JOSE JOSE VALDEZ, Deceased
No. 2498
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against this estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned or to the undersigned personal representative at the address listed below, or filed with the Probate Court of Lincoln County, New Mexico, located at Carrizozo, New Mexico.
DATED: 5-4-2011
Blanca Estrella Valdez
Personal Representative
c/o 159 Mesquero Trail, Suite 5 Ruidoso, NM 88345
Tel: 575-257-8450

Legal Notices 152

9320 2T (5/11), 13
Hondo Valley Public Board of Education
Notice of Regular Business Board Meeting
The Hondo Valley Public Schools Board of Education will hold a regularly scheduled board meeting on May 16, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room at Hondo Valley Public Schools. The meeting will include a public hearing for the purpose of obtaining comments from the public regarding the proposed operating budget for the district for the 2011-2012 school year. Approval of the budget will be an agenda item. A copy of the agenda will be available on or after May 10, 2011 at the Superintendent's office.
DATED: May 9, 2011

Legal Notices 152

#9323 2T (5/11), 13
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN STATE OF NEW MEXICO
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MITCHELL COCHRAN DECEASED
Cause No. PB-2011-10 Division III
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
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DATED: March 4, 2011.
/s/ Shelley Cochran 384 Fort Stanton Alto, NM 88312
Respectfully Submitted:
/s/ Adam D. Rakfin, Esq. Adam D. Rakfin, P.C. P.O. Box 1912 Ruidoso, NM 88355 (575) 257-0129 / (575) 257-0113 Fax Alto, NM 88301 Representative

General Help Wanted 230

#9324 2T (5/11), 18
TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT COUNTY OF LINCOLN NEW MEXICO
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ROBERT PAUL DUDICH, Deceased.
Cause No. PB-2011-13 Division III
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
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DATED: April 15, 2011.
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General Help Wanted 230

Help Wanted: Part-time, seasonal position available for reliable, outgoing person to work in the Ruidoso Visitor Center. Days of work will be Sat., Sun. & Mon. starting Mid May and lasting through Labor Day. Apply in person at 720 Sudderth Drive.
Positions avail working with developmentally disabled individuals please call 257-4672 or apply at 229 St.
Kennel Help
Kennel Maintenance and Management. Full/Part time. Most exp. req. Call (505) 400-9234

General Help Wanted 230

Greentree Solid Waste Authority is accepting applications for a Temporary/Full-time CDL Driver. Class "A" endorsement required. Positions will be filled as needed. You may pick up additional posting questions. Deadline is no later than May 16, 2011. Applications deadline will be Monday, May 16, 2011, at 2:00 p.m.
www.pnm.com/careers and read a full job description, register, upload a resume and answer all posting questions. Computer experience. Bachelor's degree in a related field with 5-7 yrs of related exp, or equivalent combination of educ and/or exp related to the discipline. Must possess a current, legally valid DL and meet the company's driving record requirements.
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General Help Wanted 230

Craft Supervisor (2 Positions) Job ID: #2053 - Ruidoso, NM Location: Alamogordo and Ruidoso, NM
Supervises large functional units/departments that performs the functions of construction, operation, maintenance, or warranty work in the production, transmission, and distribution systems. Preferences: Electric utility knowledge. Able to work on call and travel as needed. Possess knowledge, IBEW contract knowledge, Budget - capital and O & M, Electric construction, Computer experience, Bachelor's degree in a related field with 5-7 yrs of related exp, or equivalent combination of educ and/or exp related to the discipline. Must possess a current, legally valid DL and meet the company's driving record requirements.
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General Help Wanted 230

Airport Manager, Salary \$61,250 annually (\$2,355.77 Bi-Weekly)
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Temporary Parks Maintenance Worker
Salary \$9.00 hourly
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Salary \$8.00 hourly
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Management/Supervisory 241

Emerald Correctional Management is accepting applications for the following positions at the Lincoln County Detention Center: RN or LVN
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