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Ruidoso School Fiesta students performed recently in Tularosa. Pictured are (left to right) Gaby Lopez, Marisa Montoya (Ruidoso High School Fiesta queen), Omar Garcia (RHS king), Zaria Calzada, Jonathan Lewis, J.D. Ray (Ruidoso Middle School prince), Mercedes Calzada, Michael Moreno, and Alexa Herrera (RMS princesses). COURTESY PHOTO

Our liquid gold

Officials urge water conservation, education

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Ruidoso officials must face the reality of water supply limitations, pass the necessary rules to enforce conservation and set up contingency plans for emergencies, says a former village manager.

The summer ahead could be a bumpy and dry ride, warned Frank Potter, now owner of Imports Etc. in Midtown Ruidoso.

"Since I grew up here I can say it," he said during a water workshop Thursday. "Ruidoso never wants to admit when we have a forest fire or a drought. We live in denial, because we want to be that perfect place on the hill. But I find from the people who come through my store, they've been through fire and droughts and floods, and they understand. Just get it out in front of them. Get the information out."

And not just when the village is in trouble, it should be ongoing education, said Village Planning Director Bob Decker, beginning with school children. But the effort needs to ramp up now to avoid declaring a moratorium or imposing some other onerous requirement, he said.

"Do we have any appropriate

method to encourage conservation? There's nothing in the ordinance now," Decker said. "If we make it financially in their best interests, hotels will retrofit their appliances to be low-flow."

Councilor Angel Shaw and Mayor Ray Alborn urged immediate mobilization in conjunction with the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce to place tent cards in hotels, motels and restaurants warning of the drought and urging conservation, such as using linens multiple days and not asking for water with meals.

"At the same time, let's not forget about expanding our water storage capacity," said Councilor Rafael Salas, referring to an earlier presentation about storage and the Alto reservoir by Capital Projects Director Randall Camp. "At one point, we had effluent credit and no place to put it."

In New Mexico to use available water from wells, reservoirs or rivers, a municipality must own water rights to cover that use. The village receives rights credit when water from Eagle Creek is distributed by its water system and captured in its wastewater system to be discharged into the Rio Ruidoso.

Potter several years ago prepared a contingency plan that

included development of a water budget for each section of the complicated village water system.

"In water budgets, development is not allowed to exceed rights or availability," he said. "We only have a certain amount of water and rights. We're part of the Pecos Settlement with Texas (that must deliver a set amount of water to Texas from the Pecos River system annually). We need ordinances in place. If we run out of water in a (deep) freeze, there is no ordinance on the books to cover the situation and to tell people they won't have any water. We live in denial."

Jack Atkins, a member of the village water team that finds and acquires water rights, warned that the village only has 555 acre feet of basic rights left on the Rio Ruidoso until the end of a five-year accounting period that winds down Oct. 31. One acre foot equates to about 325,800 gallons of water.

The river is the source of diversion to Grindstone Reservoir, which feeds about 30 percent of the village's water system. The reservoir, because of drought and a problem with leakage and "soft spots" in the wall, has dropped to

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County hopes to save White Oaks sign targeted by state

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The transportation bureaucrat in Santa Fe who threatened to remove the turn-off sign to the historic community of White Oaks from U.S. 54 has too much time on his hands, quipped on Lincoln County commissioner, while another urged doing battle in court.

But County Manager Tom Stewart said Tuesday sometimes compliance and compromise works better. With a few changes, the sign probably can remain at the turnoff, he said.

Commissioners found out last month that because of a citizen's complaint, Michael Otero with the New Mexico Department of Transportation decided the sign contained advertising. In one corner, it references artists studios. The regulation on highway signs states they must be directional only.

Stewart also learned that besides a \$600 permit from the state Public Lands Office, another \$100 permit is required from the DOT for the county sign to be in the public right of way.

"I sent in \$100 for the permit and the sign is being redone so that it will be strictly directional," he told commissioners at their meeting Tuesday.

Commission Chairman

Eileen Sedillo said the county Lodgers Tax Committee was working on a new design and Stewart should coordinate with that board.

"That's why I need to talk to Brad Cooper," Stewart replied. "If there is no advertising on their design, we will use it to send to the DOT for approval. If not, I will move ahead (on seeking a contractor to change the existing sign)."

That's when Commissioner Mark Doth said he was under the impression that the DOT official, who wrote the county about the sign, "has way too much time on his hands. How petty to complain about a mention of artists studios. I read the (regulations) and I don't see a problem. It's directional, as much as the Inn of the Mountain Gods sign that has color and flashing lights and advertising, and the DOT allows it."

"I wonder how we apply the law in New Mexico, nothing against the Mescalero (Apache Tribe that operates the Inn)."

"I can't answer that," Stewart said.

The DOT official is taking care of a complaint from a citizen, Sedillo said.

"A simple answer would have been, 'It's OK,'" Doth said. He

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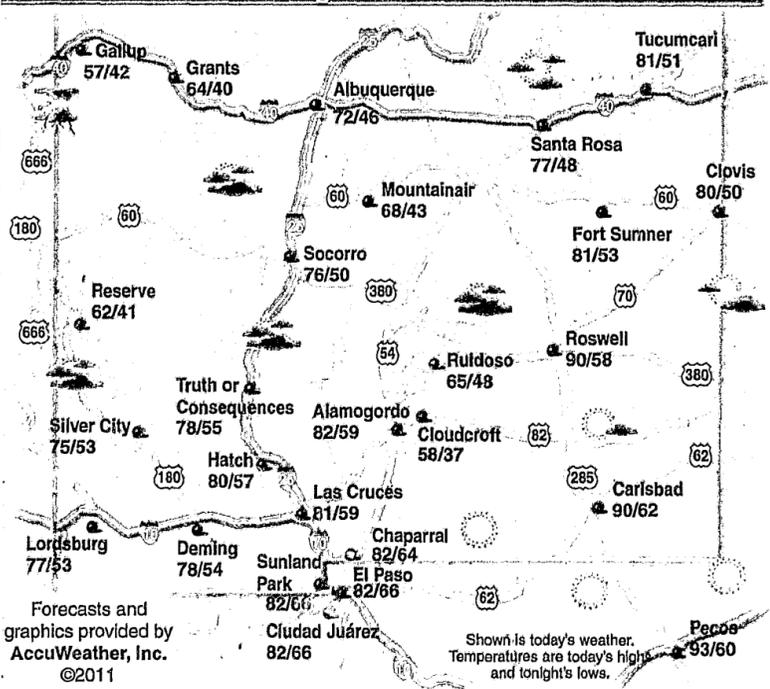
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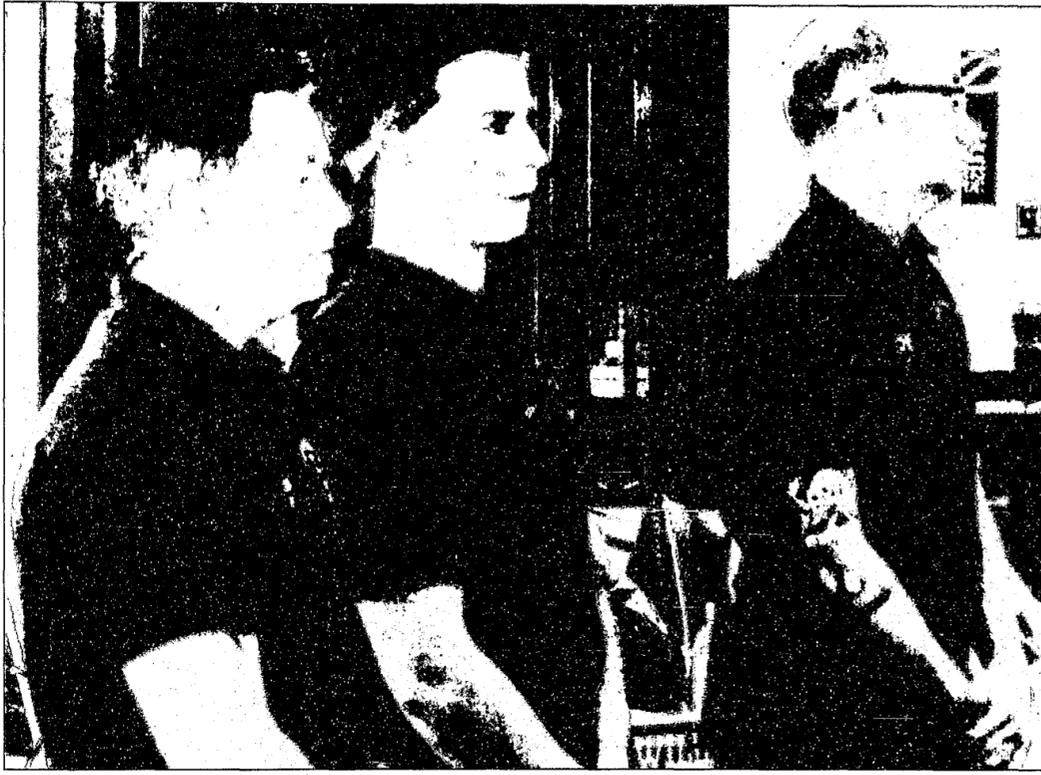
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Ruidoso firefighters, from left, Cade Hall, Adam Gonzales and Cody Thetford, were honored by Mayor Ray Alborn and village councilors last Tuesday for their commitment to the community and life-saving actions. In recognizing the three men, Village Manager Debi Lee said that, on March 8, Capt. Cody Thetford and Firefighter Cade Hall responded to a home where they found an elderly man lying on the floor with no pulse and not breathing. They performed several life-saving techniques and used an automated external defibrillator twice. Five days later, the man walked out of the hospital under his own power. On April 29, firefighter Adam Gonzales responded to a local business and found an unconscious woman surrounded by bystanders. He performed life-saving techniques that led to the patient being defibrillated once. She also successfully left the hospital to go back home.

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Scouts honor

Be prepared for the greatest year of Scouting ever, according to Jack Shuster, chair of the Sierra Blanca District, Boys Scouts of America.

District staff and volunteers are organizing a school recruiting effort this month, culminating in a Ruidoso-wide New Member Rally at 7 p.m., May 26 in Fellowship Hall at the Community United Methodist Church, 220 Junction Road in Ruidoso.

More than 2,000 flyers are being distributed in Ruidoso schools. Each Cub Pack and Boy Scout Troop in Ruidoso will participate. The Boy Scout programs representing the "Family of Scouting" through Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Venturers, provides a structured program for leadership, for boys in first grades through the age of 18, and for young men and women in high school, Shuster said.

The program methods include values, adult role models, outdoor activities, community service, peer leadership and awards. Program support is provided by Sierra Blanca District volunteers and professional staff. The Conquistador Council, and the Boy Scouts of America provides outdoor program facilities such as Wehinahpay Mountain Camp and Philmont Scout Ranch.

Cub Scouting is a family and neighborhood-centered program with activities that develop character values and practical skills. Parents work with their son on requirements to earn awards. The program

is intended to provide parents with structured "quality time" doing what young boys are interested in and providing time for parents to teach their son family values, history, and important practical skills. With community and neighborhood activities, the Cub Scout learns good citizenship habits. The program is for boys in grades 1 through 5.

Boy Scouting is the outdoor adventure program for boys from age 10 1/2 through 18. The program teaches lifetime values, skills, and responsible leadership. Boy Scouts work on awards from Tenderfoot to Eagle Scout and through the merit badge program learn about careers and hobbies.

Boy Scouts plan and lead weekly meetings, camps, hikes and community service projects.

Venturing is an outdoor adventure program for high school age young men and young women. The program provides leadership training and application and uses outdoor activities and service to develop personal values and habits of good citizenship. Venturers can earn special awards in a variety of categories for learning skills, teaching others, and for providing service.

The Sierra Blanca District encompasses all of Lincoln County. District Commissioner Craig Maldonado pointed out, "Bringing new members into Scouting in the spring provides new members the opportunity to get right into the outdoor adventure and introduces parents to the program and leadership needs for the fall."

If there isn't a Cub Pack, Scout Troop or Venturing Crew in any prospective member's neighborhood, make a major difference in a community, in a church, in a civic or fraternal organization, by helping to organize a Scouting program, he said.

For more information on Scouting's New Member Rally in Fellowship Hall at the Community United Methodist Church on May 26, contact Shuster at 257-0871.

BLM deadline

Staff with the Bureau of Land Management announced Friday the agency is extending from May 14 to June 7 the deadline for submitting proposals for public-private partnerships to establish wild horse "ecosanctuaries" on private or other non-BLM managed land.

The deadline for a second set of proposals, relat-

ing to ecosanctuaries that would be on a mix of private and BLM-managed land, has been extended from May 24 to June 21.

The ecosanctuaries, to be publicly accessible with a potential for ecotourism, would help the BLM feed and care for excess wild horses that have been removed from Western public rangelands.

The notice of the first solicitation for proposals can be found at www.grants.gov under opportunity number L11AS00033.

The notice for the second solicitation can be found at the same Website under the opportunity number L11AS00043.

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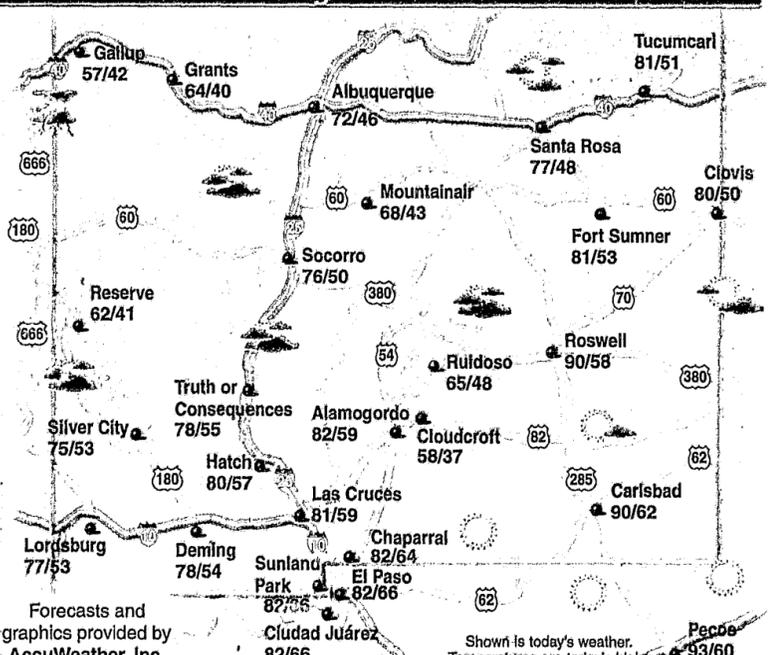
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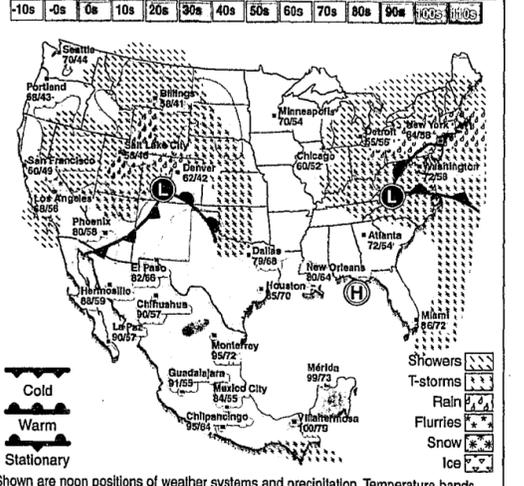
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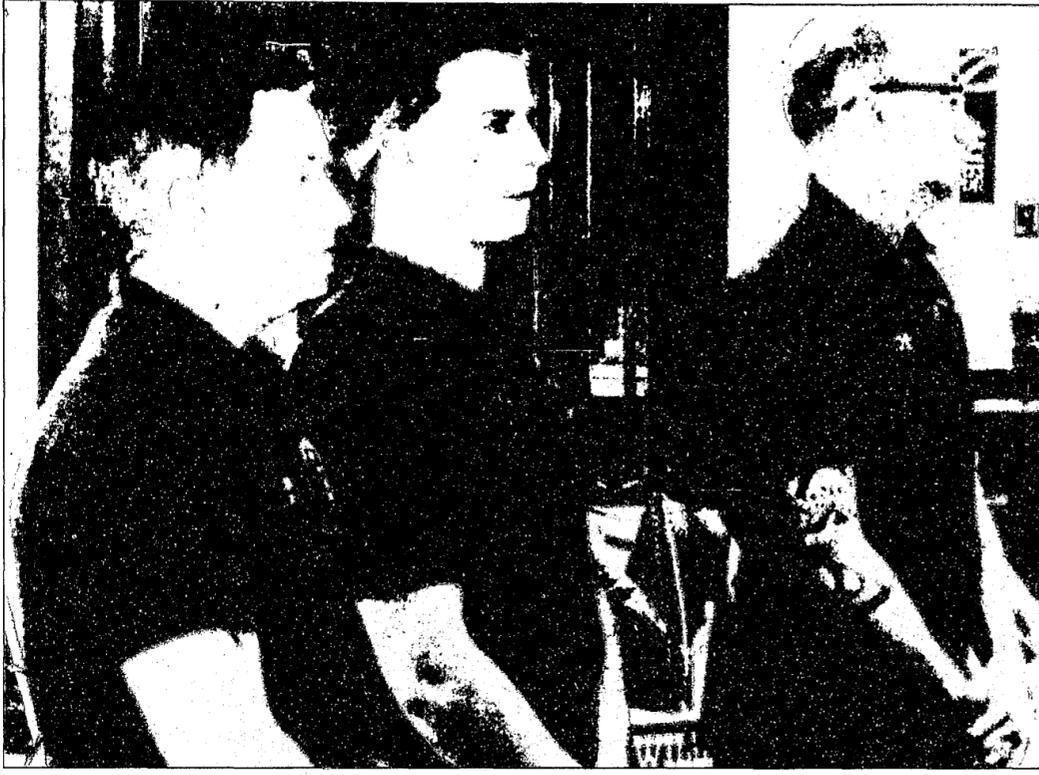
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National Forecast for May 18, 2011



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National Cities		Regional Cities		Mexican Cities	
City	Today HI/Lo/W	Thu. HI/Lo/W	City	Today HI/Lo/W	Thu. HI/Lo/W
Abilene	88/67/t	86/65/t	Albuquerque	72/48/pc	67/48/s
Anchorage	62/45/pc	59/45/sh	Artesia	90/64/s	85/59/s
Allanta	72/54/pc	80/61/s	Chama	52/32/pc	54/33/r
Austin	84/72/pc	85/74/pc	Clayton	77/44/pc	73/43/pc
Baltimore	73/58/t	75/56/t	Cloudcroft	58/37/c	56/24/s
Boston	56/52/r	63/55/sh	Farmington	66/40/t	64/43/sh
Chicago	80/52/sh	67/52/sh	Hobbs	86/57/s	86/52/s
Dallas	79/68/pc	83/73/pc	Los Alamos	55/34/c	56/34/pc
Denver	82/42/sh	57/41/r	Portales	83/52/pc	79/47/s
Des Moines	68/53/s	74/60/c	Plato	70/37/c	66/38/pc
Detroit	85/56/sh	72/55/sh	Red River	60/28/c	49/24/sh
El Paso	82/68/pc	80/59/s	Ruidoso	65/48/pc	61/46/s
Las Vegas	69/60/pc	77/65/s	Santa Fe	68/39/pc	64/39/pc
Los Angeles	68/56/c	68/57/s	Silver City	75/53/pc	70/48/s
Minneapolis	70/54/pc	72/56/pc	Taos	63/31/c	58/28/sh
New Orleans	80/64/s	85/70/pc			
New York City	64/58/r	71/58/sh			
Philadelphia	69/58/t	74/56/t			
Phoenix	80/59/pc	80/65/s			
Reno	55/40/sh	67/46/s			
San Francisco	60/49/pc	62/51/s			
San Diego	66/57/c	64/60/pc			
Seattle	70/44/pc	71/46/pc			
Tucson	82/58/s	76/55/s			
Tulsa, OK	74/65/t	78/70/t			
Wash., DC	72/58/t	74/60/t			
Wichita	70/62/t	78/61/t			
Yuma	82/59/pc	80/64/s			
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FIREFIIGHTERS RECOGNIZED

Ruidoso firefighters, from left, Cade Hall, Adam Gonzales and Cody Thetford, were honored by Mayor Ray Alborn and village councilors last Tuesday for their commitment to the community and life-saving actions. In recognizing the three men, Village Manager Debi Lee said that, on March 8, Capt. Cody Thetford and Firefighter Cade Hall responded to a home where they found an elderly man lying on the floor with no pulse and not breathing. They performed several life-saving techniques and used an automated external defibrillator twice. Five days later, the man walked out of the hospital under his own power. On April 29, firefighter Adam Gonzales responded to a local business and found an unconscious woman surrounded by bystanders. He performed life-saving techniques that led to the patient being defibrillated once. She also successfully left the hospital to go back home.

DIANNE STALLINGS/RUIDOSO NEWS

Scouts honor

Be prepared for the greatest year of Scouting ever, according to Jack Shuster, chair of the Sierra Blanca District, Boys Scouts of America.

District staff and volunteers are organizing a school recruiting effort this month, culminating in a Ruidoso-wide New Member Rally at 7 p.m., May 26 in Fellowship Hall at the Community United Methodist Church, 220 Junction Road in Ruidoso.

More than 2,000 flyers are being distributed in Ruidoso schools. Each Cub Pack and Boy Scout Troop in Ruidoso will participate. The Boy Scout programs representing the "Family of Scouting" through Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Venturers, provides a structured program for leadership, for boys in first grades through the age of 18, and for young men and women in high school, Shuster said.

The program methods include values, adult role models, outdoor activities, community service, peer leadership and awards. Program support is provided by Sierra Blanca District volunteers and professional staff. The Conquistador Council, and the Boy Scouts of America provides outdoor program facilities such as Wehinahpay Mountain Camp and Philmont Scout Ranch.

Cub Scouting is a family and neighborhood-centered program with activities that develop character values and practical skills. Parents work with their son on requirements to earn awards. The program

is intended to provide parents with structured "quality time" doing what young boys are interested in and providing time for parents to teach their son family values, history, and important practical skills. With community and neighborhood activities, the Cub Scout learns good citizenship habits. The program is for boys in grades 1 through 5.

Boy Scouting is the outdoor adventure program for boys from age 10 1/2 through 18. The program teaches lifetime values, skills, and responsible leadership. Boy Scouts work on awards from Tenderfoot to Eagle Scout and through the merit badge program learn about careers and hobbies.

Boy Scouts plan and lead weekly meetings, campouts, hikes and community service projects.

Venturing is an outdoor adventure program for high school age young men and young women. The program provides leadership training and application and uses outdoor activities and service to develop personal values and habits of good citizenship. Venturers can earn special awards in a variety of categories for learning skills, teaching others, and for providing service.

The Sierra Blanca District encompasses all of Lincoln County. District Commissioner Craig Maldonado pointed out, "Bringing new members into Scouting in the spring provides new members the opportunity to get right into the outdoor adventure and introduces parents to the program and leadership needs for the fall."

If there isn't a Cub Pack, Scout Troop or Venturing Crew in any prospective member's neighborhood, make a major difference in a community, in a church, in a civic or fraternal organization, by helping to organize a Scouting program, he said.

For more information on Scouting's New Member Rally in Fellowship Hall at the Community United Methodist Church on May 26, contact Shuster at 257-0871.

BLM deadline

Staff with the Bureau of Land Management announced Friday the agency is extending from May 14 to June 7 the deadline for submitting proposals for public-private partnerships to establish wild horse "ecosanctuaries" on private or other non-BLM managed land.

The deadline for a second set of proposals, relat-

ing to ecosanctuaries that would be on a mix of private and BLM-managed land, has been extended from May 24 to June 21.

The ecosanctuaries, to be publicly accessible with a potential for ecotourism, would help the BLM feed and care for excess wild horses that have been removed from Western public rangelands.

The notice of the first solicitation for proposals can be found at www.grants.gov under opportunity number L11AS00033.

The notice for the second solicitation can be found at the same Website under the opportunity number L11AS00043.

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OUR OPINION

A rare partisan divide in county politics

Budget cuts spark predictable responses

Although the Lincoln County Commission is formed out of a partisan political process, the issues that come before it are rarely judged through the prism of Democrat and Republican initiatives.

The recent proposed budget cuts for the next fiscal year are an exception, and, predictably, public reaction has fallen on either side of the philosophical divide concerning the role of government in spending taxpayer money.

We might all agree that the paring of publicly supported programs should not be a surprise. The commission was

already moderately conservative before new members Mark Doth and Kathryn Minter joined in January. Minter, especially, has been consistent in her opposition to taxpayer support of private entities and non-profits.

In theory, we agree. But for specific programs, if it can be shown that spending on the front end mitigates costs and problems on the back end — the old penny-wise/pound-foolish equation — we could be convinced otherwise.

Meanwhile, the Hubbard Foundation has stepped up to help, reminding us that volunteerism is the best solution.

Will letter grades be an upgrade over Annual Yearly Progress?

Making AYP. This bit of education jargon has hung like a sword over schools and educators since the Bush administration introduced No Child Left Behind in 2001. In an attempt at accountability, the yardstick called Annual Yearly Progress was supposed to push schools and students toward improvement. But in design and implementation, it guaranteed that most schools would eventually not make AYP.

So it's hard to get excited about the new initiative, letter grades for schools. The governor considers it one of her education reform planks, and it won support from

Democratic education leaders in the Legislature. Sen. Cynthia Nava, chair of the Senate Education Committee, supported the idea because it recognized growth and not just a watermark of proficiency.

To understand why grading a school A to F might work, first consider why AYP doesn't work.

Think about your work. Let's say there are 37 standards you must reach to be considered competent, and you reach 34 or 35, which makes you incompetent. But wait! You're good at what you do, you say. Sorry, those are the rules, and the bar gets higher every year.

Making AYP means that more students reach proficiency goals in reading and math and that students in eight groups, including English-language learners and special ed, must also reach those goals. High schools are also judged on graduation rates and elementary schools on attendance.

Out of 37 measures, a school can meet standards in 36 and still fail. Each year the requirements for making AYP are more difficult.

Under the law passed this year, grades for schools would be based on test scores (New Mexico standards-based assessments for high schools), improvement in reading and math, and improvement by the lowest 25 percent of students in reading and math. High schools would also be judged on graduation rates, Advanced Placement

and International Baccalaureate courses, dual enrollment courses, and SAT and ACT scores.

So it's entirely possible that a school not making AYP could earn a respectable letter grade.

To the jaded and weary veterans of previous reforms, letter grades just look like another way of telling a school it's failing, but proponents see it as a more equitable way to measure a school and its students.

During the legislative session, Rep. Dennis Roch, an East Side Republican who carried one of the letter-grade bills, argued: "We're trying to get the communi-

ties to understand what they need to do. It's not necessarily true that a school that's not making AYP will make an F."

Rep. Ray Begaye, a Shiprock Democrat and former teacher, said, "Coming from a poor community where failure has always been an option, I kind of support the intent of the legislation, but I'm troubled by it as well." Reservation schools have more obstacles to success than most.

Said Roch, "The underlying goal is to make the measure of school success achievable by students and understandable to students and community." The school could then identify the students who aren't proficient and work with them. The measures would "capture the growth of our students."

New Mexico's initiative was inspired by the Florida A+ Plan, which began in 1999. In 10 years, schools receiving a D or F declined from 677 to 217; schools receiving an A increased from 515 to 2,317. Florida has shown many enviable improvements, but that state also hired 2,000 reading coaches, reduced class sizes, and stopped passing third graders who couldn't read.

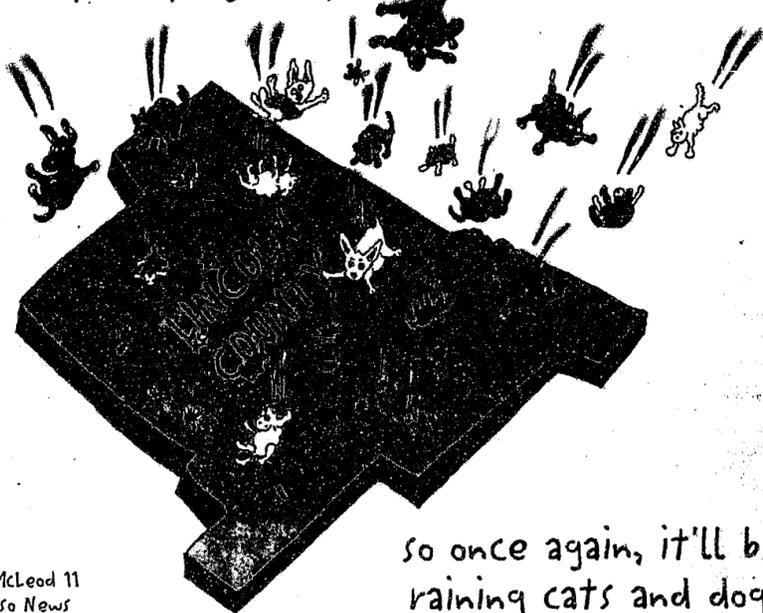
And there's the rub: money. Just think what we could do with 2,000 reading coaches! But there was no appropriation, and we all know by now what's happening to education budgets.

AYP, unfortunately, would still be with us, but at least it would be muted.



SHERRY ROBINSON
ALL SHE WROTE

County pulls plug on spay & neuter contribution...



Doug McLeod 11
Ruidoso News

So once again, it'll be raining cats and dogs.

YOUR OPINION

In support of the county commission

To the editor:

WHILE I THINK some of our county commissioners tend to forget that over half of the tax-paying population of Lincoln County is in Alto, Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs, I wholeheartedly agree with their not funding non-government organizations.

The tax monies that are collected should be for the operation of the county. Although the progressive thinking is otherwise, the government should not be giving our tax dollars to non-government organizations, no matter how "feel good" they may be. Our state and the feds do enough of that without our blessing.

Some letter-writers have argued that if these organizations have to solicit funding, it will take away from the focus of the volunteers in these organizations. The answer to that is to recruit more volunteers to solicit the funds. The bottom line is, if the individual wants to support these organizations with their

hard-earned dollars that is their choice. In our household, we support those we choose with our dollars and goods throughout the year.

John Hawker
Ruidoso

To the editor:

I THINK SOME people are being a little tough on Lincoln County Commissioner Kathryn Minter.

She is not one of the commissioners that handed a rich man \$750,000 in "Business Retention Tax" money a year for five years. While Commissioner Tom Battin was working his rear off to hand R.D. Hubbard big bucks, Minter was working tooth and toenail to prevent it.

I will gladly give \$20 to the Lincoln County Food Bank. If 499 more people are willing to do the same, we can end the \$10,000 funding argument in a heartbeat.

Jack Hemby
Ruidoso Downs

Atlas Shrugs again

To the editor:

I WOULD LIKE to thank the Lincoln County Tea Party for working with Allen Theater to show the movie *Atlas Shrugged*. It is a political suspense movie that draws stark parallels to the direction our country is quickly drifting.

I urge everyone to see it.

I went to the 9:20 p.m., Friday, showing and a total of five people were in the theater. I guess since it was not in 3D it did not appeal to people.

It was great to see a movie of this caliber, a movie that actually inspires thought, in Ruidoso. I usually go to Albuquerque or Back East to see Academy Award winners, non-mainstream, documentaries, etc.

The showing of this type of movie is a step in the right direction.

Bill Dement
Alto

Here's the deal — take it or leave it

So here's the deal. Does it bother you when government workers get in trouble and are placed on administrative leave with pay? You read about it all the time. You see them being led away in handcuffs on Albuquerque TV.

One of the most recent examples was the Santa Fe school bus driver creep messing with 13-year-old girls on his bus. Even though he admitted it, they immediately placed this guy on administrative leave with pay. To their credit, Santa Fe Public Schools fired him soon thereafter. His free pay time was mercifully limited. Often these public employees sit at home for weeks or months at taxpayer expense.

Okay, since I am liable to run into Gary Mitchell at the post office, I get it. You are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

So here's the deal. From now on, when a public employee runs afoul of the law, he is placed on administrative leave with pay, the check going into an escrow account he forfeits if found guilty.

Other than the parade of medicine ads during dinner hour network news, graphically describing symptoms and side effects — most of which I suffer — what bothers me most about TV news is the teasing game played by Albuquerque newscasts.

"There was a big announcement

in Santa Fe today. We'll tell you about it at 10."

So here's the deal. Guys, if you've got the story you had better tell us now because there is a

good chance we'll be mighty-night by ten and will read the story in the morning paper.

So why do we need you?

Tell me this. If a bird doesn't need a pilot, or a fish a swimming instructor, why does a lawyer need a spokesman? Have you ever met a lawyer at a loss for words? A luncheon of

lawyers gaggles like a flock of geese in a barnyard. So they have to hire people to talk for them?

I read that Bernalillo DA Kari Brandenburg was bringing on KOB-TV's Kayla Anderson as a spokesperson. Have you ever heard Ms. Brandenburg handle a TV interview? Dynamite. Paying someone to speak for Brandenburg would have been like hiring me to pinch hit for Babe Ruth.

So here's the deal. In an unscientific survey conducted by this humble correspondent, it was discovered that 97.7 percent of cushy-job government spokesmen were taken from Albuquerque and Santa Fe media ranks. Henceforth, all spokesmen will be apportioned by state legislative districts.

Congressman Steve Pearce is after another critter, this time the Dunes Sagebrush Lizard. I have empathy for the congress-

man's strategy, having made a column career poking fun at the Lesser Prairie Chicken. It made people smile and it is safe, defenders of the Lesser Prairie Chicken or Dunes Sagebrush Lizard as sparse as the desert they roam.

And, on a more serious note, for years this column ridiculed cockfighting until the state came to its senses and banned the "sport."

I personally have never met a Dunes Sagebrush Lizard I liked and, encountering one, would probably jump atop a picnic table and go, "eueu!" But Pearce would quickly point out he considers his mission a little more important than breezy columns.

The congressman is dead serious in his claim that Endangered Species status for the lizard will threaten a significant number of New Mexico oil jobs. Folks like the New Mexico Wilderness Alliance are dead serious in their assertion protecting the lizard is crucial to the habitat and that Pearce cannot back up his jobs claim.

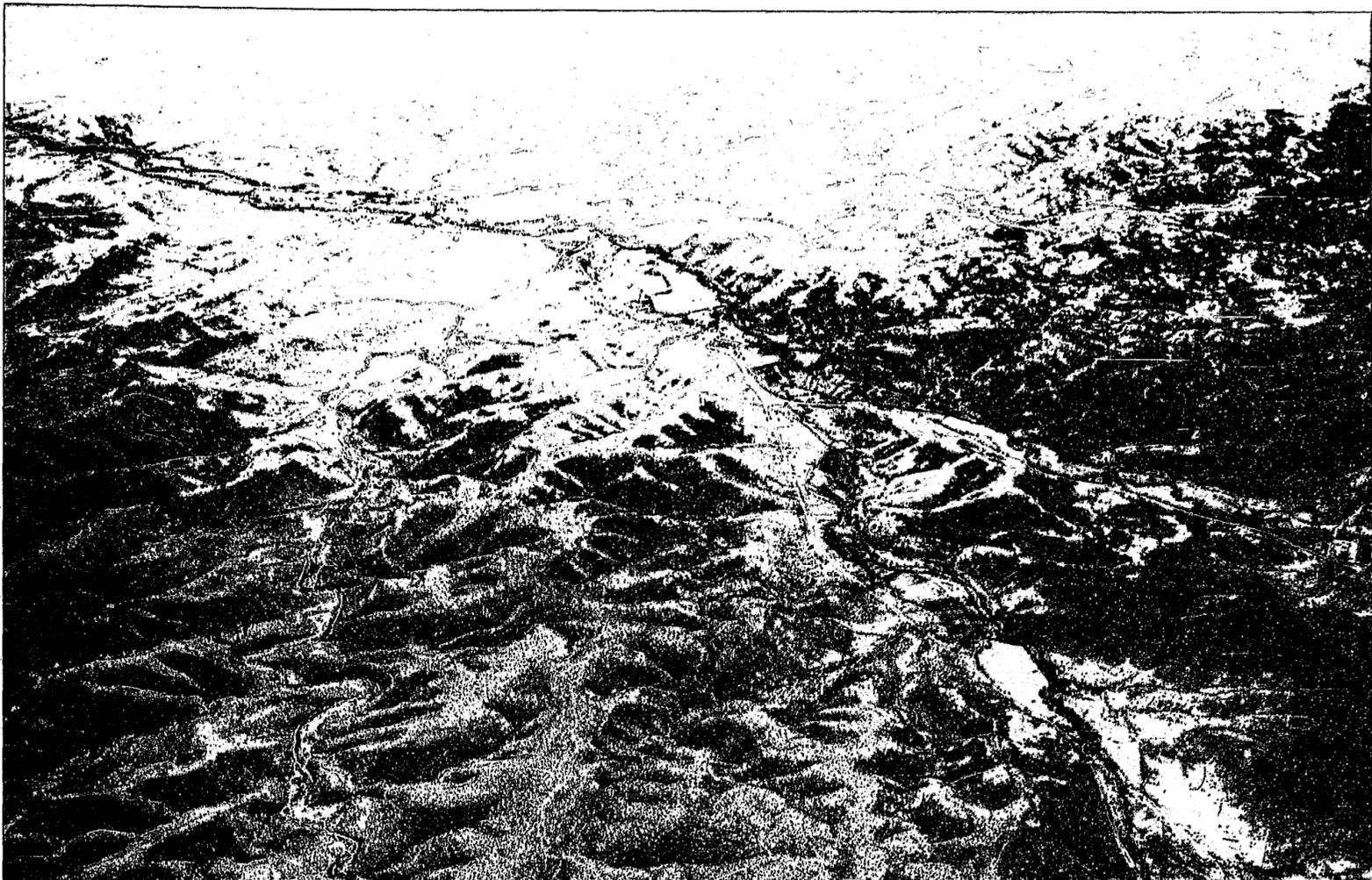
Somehow all this will get sorted out and, hopefully, both the Dunes Sagebrush Lizard and the oil industry will survive.

So here's the deal. Why not more common animals? Why can't we have an Endangered Species category for the Well-Heeled, Boot Scootin', Fat-Wallet, Campaign Cash Cow? Have a nice day.

(Ned Cantwell welcomes response at ncantwell@bajabb.com.)



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COURTESY DAVID TREMBLAY

MAW supporters got a bird's-eye view of the Highway 70/Highway 380 split in the wrinkled landscape of eastern Lincoln County, looking east, with the community of Hondo at the confluence.

Four 'bosses' get military ride of their lives

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Four Lincoln County staunch military supporters took wing Saturday as guests on the first Holloman Air Force Base Bosslift.

The invitations for Military Appreciation Week-end founder Millie Woods, Flying J Ranch owner James Hobbs, photographer Dave Tremblay and Georgia Underwood with the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce came from the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve, a group that participated in MAW 2011 in Ruidoso. Bosslift is an effort to bring more awareness to the military involvement of the National Guard and the Reserves.

The foursome boarded a KC-135, a 707 airframe

retrofitted as a refueling plane. They joined 43 others, mostly civilian contractors. The plane flew to Holloman Air Force Base from Luke AFB in Phoenix that morning, specifically for the Bosslift, so named because many of the passengers were civilian contractor employers. Phoenix and Seattle are the other two cities to have been honored with a Bosslift, Woods said.

"We boarded the plane in a rather unusual fashion. A very large piece of equipment with a scissors lift raised us on a platform that would easily have accommodated half the group at a time, but some of the more nimble in the group chose to climb the stairs from the tarmac," Woods said. "As we took our seats and got buckled in, someone asked about

the in-flight movie, while another asked for peanuts, and another asked the airman, when he would be taking our drink orders. No one got peanuts or drinks, of course, and there was no in-flight movie.

"The plane normally carries a small crew, and there is only one restroom, unisex, that came with some very specific and graphic instructions for use."

Seating was designed for 25 along each side of the plane, she said, adding that the door to the cockpit was left open. Once airborne, participants were invited to visit the crew, a pilot, copilot and navigator/computer operator.

Instead of the F-22 Raptors the plane was scheduled to refuel, they were accompanied by three T-38s.

"Had this been an actual

refueling, the T-38s would have maneuvered into place under the belly of the KC-135," Woods said. "The boom operator lies on his stomach and operates two joy sticks for the coupling and refueling process. The boom operator's space is at the very back of the plane, accessed by a set of four steps on each side of the aircraft.

"We each took turns descending the steps, getting into the prone position to watch the T-38s as they flew along side and crossed back and forth under our plane. The boom operator looks out three windows: one large window in the center and a smaller window on each side. There is space for three individuals, one on each side of the boom operator, all lying in a prone position.

"All 47 of us descended

the stairs on one side, enjoyed a view that is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity, and exited the stairs on the opposite side. When not in the boom operator's space, we were taking turns looking out the windows on each side, watching the T-38s and identifying landmarks."

They were airborne about 90 minutes, and no one became ill until they were ready to land. Woods proudly proclaimed that none of Ruidoso's group succumbed.

"The only hiccup during the entire adventure was when the pilot came in for a landing a bit fast, touched down at 3,000 feet, back wheels only, on a 10,500-foot runway, and before putting the nose down, decided to do a go-around," Woods said. "Uneventful, but unless you are a pilot

doing 'touch and go's', not something one expects to experience."

After landing, the "bosses" were treated to lunch prepared by Can't Stop Smoking. Following the meal, several awards were presented. Woods was given a Seven Seals Award that reads, "Millie Woods for meritorious leadership and initiative in support of the men and women who serve America in the National Guard and Reserve."

Underwood received a certificate, as well.

"My ESGR contact is hoping to have a ESGR Committee some day soon here in Ruidoso," Woods said.

"We will be working on making that happen in the weeks to come, and, who knows; you may have an opportunity to make such a flight some day, as well."



Serbian Bellflower

If you want a plant as lovely as its name, then Serbian bellflower (*Campanula poscharskyana*) is a must-have addition to your garden. This no-fuss ground cover sprawls easily in a low, mounding habit. Lavender-blue starburst blooms appear in spring, with some repeat blooming until frost if spent flowers are removed. The dense foliage is semi-evergreen to evergreen (depending on the severity of winter in your climate) and will weave its way between

spring bulbs, rocks, and other perennials.
Common name: Serbian bellflower
Botanical name: *Campanula poscharskyana*
Plant type: Perennial
Zones: 3 to 8
Height: 4 to 12 inches
Family: Campanulaceae
Growing conditions
 • Sun: Full sun to part shade
 • Soil: Well-drained
 • Moisture: Average to medium
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**
- No major insect or disease

problems, although snails and slugs may do some damage.
Garden notes
 • *C. poscharskyana* prefers part shade in climates with hot summers. It performs best in areas where evening temperatures are below 70°F.
 • *C. poscharskyana* looks great sprawled along banks or over walls, as well as in rock gardens.
 • Be aware that Serbian bellflower is a vigorous grower, and it spreads by underground runners. This is an advantage if you want it to cover a large area, but if you want it to stay in one spot, either contain it with barriers or trim runners as they develop.
All in the family
 • The Campanulaceae family (known as the bellflower family) has approximately 2,000 species in 70 genera.
 • The family is found almost worldwide; notable exceptions include the Sahara and Antarctica.



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ENMU-Ruidoso commencement convocations were held May 12 at the Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts. The General Education Development (GED) commencement began at 5:30 p.m. and the presentation of diplomas and certificates of completion for ENMU-graduates at 7:30 p.m.

This year 38 students earned GED diplomas. Every student is required to complete a series of classes through the Adult Basic Literacy Program to prepare for the exam. ENMU-Ruidoso Community Education administers the test. GED graduate and current ENMU-Ruidoso

student Barbara Perine was the featured speaker for the convocation (see a separate story about Perine's turnaround through the help of God on the religion page of the May 13 edition of the *Ruidoso News*.)

Following the GED commencement, 90 summer and fall 2010 and spring 2011 graduates received diplomas.

Graduates Sara Chapman and Samantha Yetley were selected as the student speakers. Dr. Jim Miller, Jr., the first campus director from 1991 to 2005, was chosen to deliver the commencement address.

Current ENMU-Ruidoso President Clayton Alred conferred emeritus status on Dr. Michael Elrod and

Dr. Ray Fleishmann. Elrod succeeded Miller as president. Miller hired Fleishmann, who announced his retirement earlier this year, as ENMU-Ruidoso's first full-time instructor.

Vickie K. Matheny is the first student to complete the college's new Computer and Network Security Certification.

"We're proud of Vickie and all of our graduates," said Chad Smith, vice president of student learning. "Graduation is an opportunity to recognize and honor the achievements of all of our students and the hard work for our faculty and staff. We look forward to seeing the fruits of their labor as they go on to serve our community and beyond."

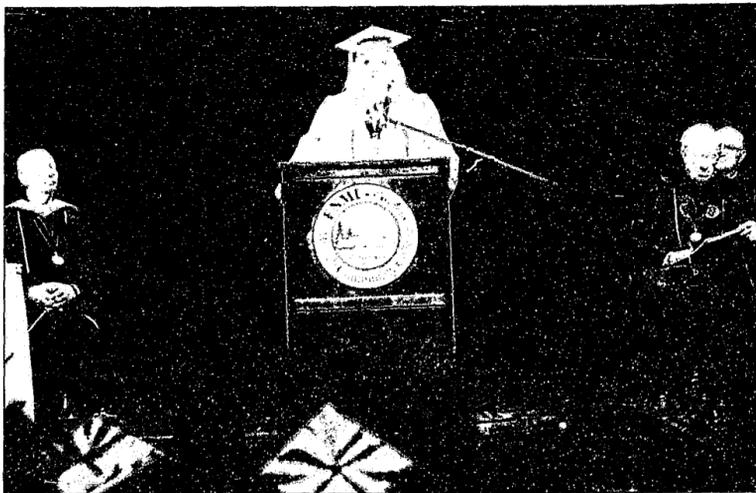


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Samatha Yetley received her Associate of Arts degree in University Studies last Thursday during graduation for students at ENMU-Ruidoso. Yetley was the recipient of the All New Mexico State Academic Team Scholarship. She is an honor student and secretary of Phi Theta Kappa, the largest and most respected honor society serving two-year colleges. Yetley plans to attend the New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology to pursue a bachelor degree in chemistry and biology with an emphasis in pre med.

College presidents support two-year building moratorium

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The heads of public college and university organizations in New Mexico have endorsed a two-year moratorium on the construction of any additional branch buildings and campuses. But the timeline will have no impact on long-term plans for the envisioned Cedars Campus of ENMU-Ruidoso, said the school's leader.

The presidents of the New Mexico Council of University Presidents, the New Mexico Independent Community Colleges, and the New Mexico Association of Community Colleges were joined by Governor Susana Martinez on May 12, where the moratorium was signed.

"I'm pleased that the state Department of Higher Education has worked so closely with the New Mexico Council of University Presidents, the New Mexico Association of Community Colleges, and the New Mexico Independent Community Colleges to reach this agreement,"

Martinez said. "By implementing this moratorium we can save significant taxpayer dollars over the next two years as we study our funding formula and determine the most effective way to continue to offer our college students a world-class education."

The state has 25 college campuses made up of seven four-year schools and 18 community or branch colleges.

ENMU-Ruidoso is a member of the New Mexico Association of Community Colleges.

ENMU-Ruidoso President Clayton Alred said while the moratorium includes the Ruidoso campus, it will have no consequences for the local school.

"We don't actually have anything scheduled in terms of a new campus within the next two years," Alred said. "So it's really not going to impact us."

The school does have a vision of a new campus near the Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts.

"Right now, anything that would happen with the Spencer property,

would be long-term," Alred said. "The finances surrounding the State of New Mexico are such that really nothing is going to happen in the near future. It's basically on hold."

The governor said a look at the number of college campuses in the state should occur.

"Every student in New Mexico who is interested in earning an advanced degree should be able to fund affordable opportunities to do so," Martinez said. "However, the rapid expansion of branch campuses throughout New Mexico in recent years should prompt us to analyze whether significant duplication of degree programs is occurring in parts of New Mexico and the costs to taxpayers that this might be causing. This moratorium will help us to strike the right balance between providing accessibility to higher education programs and ensuring that taxpayers are not on the hook for unnecessary expansion."

The governor's office said the state's current funding formula rewards building expansions, and estimated the cost of new buildings and facilities can run as high as \$4 million a year.

TEEN SPOTLITE

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Teen Spotlight features area teens that have made a difference in their community. Chase Morel is the next teen in the Spotlight. Chase is the son of Alan and Jeanette Morel and is a 2011 graduate of Capitan High School. Morel is involved in a variety of activities at his school and in his community.

At Capitan High School, Morel is a dedicated student and has been named as Student of the Month. A member of National Honor Society, he was part of the NHS group that took cookies and cards to the Veteran's Hospital in Albuquerque for Valentine's Day. Morel was also granted the opportunity to travel to Washington DC for a leadership conference. One of Morel's teachers comments, "Chase is a great young man and a real credit to our school and community."

Morel also finds time for other activities. He is an avid golfer and plays on the CHS Golf Team. Furthering this interest, he works at The Rainmakers Golf Course. Morel also works at The Log Cabin Restaurant.

His parents and teachers are listed as Morel's greatest positive influences in his life. He feels his parents have



always pushed him to be his best, and his teachers have helped him mature and prepare for the real world. Future plans include attending West Texas A&M University to obtain a degree in political science. It is obvious Morel has a bright future ahead of him.

EDUCATION BRIEFS

Rejected plan

A proposal to offer \$10,000 incentives to instructional assistants who decide to retire early from Ruidoso schools was rejected by the Ruidoso Municipal School District Board.

"Our incentive to instructional assistants is in trouble," Superintendent Bea Etta Harris told the education board. "There are several issues with this. You can't offer an incentive

to one work group and it needs to be talked about well in advance and this is too close to the end of the year."

The board was unanimous in turning down the retirement incentive at their April 12 meeting.

Graduation plans

Graduation ceremonies will take place Saturday at W.D. Horton Stadium for 2011 Ruidoso High School.

A reception breakfast for the class will begin at 9 a.m. in the high school cafeteria. The ceremony will start at 10 a.m. Students will be transported from the high school to the stadium by bus at 9:40 a.m.

School board president Devin Marshall is scheduled to make a short presentation following the announcement of scholarships at the ceremony.

On Friday, seniors will have a mandatory graduation practice at the stadium beginning at 10 a.m.

Other high schools in the area will also have graduation ceremonies this weekend. Mescalero Apache High School will hold graduation on Thursday.

Scholarship offered

The Corriente CowBells will be offering \$1,000 in scholarships for the 2011-2012 academic year.

High school seniors, college upperclassmen and graduate students majority in agriculture, education with an agriculture background, or a field of study that could benefit the beef cattle industry are eligible.

Candidates must be Lincoln County residents and must be graduating high school seniors, college students or graduate students in agriculture or a related field.

They must currently have a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 or better.

Applicants must write a paragraph defining needs, goals and qualifications for the scholarship.

The application paragraph and grade point verification must be post-marked by June 8, 2011, to Willa Stone, P.O. Box 484, Capitan, N.M., 88316.

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WATER

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21 feet below the spillway. The village normally keeps the reservoir at 16 feet or above.

Diversion is limited to periods when the flow on the river, which receives its water primarily from the mountain snowpack, is 6 cubic feet per second or more. Currently, the flow is 2.2 cfs, Potter said.

Atkins, who serves on the consulting team with water attorney and former judge Alvin Jones and engineer Roger Peery, said they struck an agreement a year ago with the Office of the State Engineer that the agency would maintain monthly meter reports on water use from the river and do the computations for the five year consumption period.

He became worried when he didn't see reports and checked. "They did not," he said. He caught up on the reports and found the available rights left "may not be quite enough to make it through, especially if the drought continues."

"You'll have to be careful how you divert," he said, suggesting production be amplified at the village's Eagle Creek wells and that officials move ahead with using special pumps to mix Alto Reservoir water with less turbid water containing lower amounts of sediments, as sources to supplement the water supply.

Alto Reservoir could yield about 300 acre feet of water, but the village may need another 150 acre feet of credit off Eagle Creek, Atkins said.

"I suggest you let us closely monitor and every week, we will make the needed corrections," Atkins



said. "We'll make it through."

The village could have claimed an additional 120 acre feet of water rights through a lease, but the action was protested, he said.

"We need to increase production from Eagle Creek and I think we will make it through fine to Oct. 31, the end of the five years," Atkins said. "Then the village starts a new accounting period and will be able to divert its full rights."

"Let's hope the monsoon is good," said Councilor Angel Shaw.

"Yes, you had two, really two-and-a-half, droughts that really hurt your Eagle Creek credit," Atkins said.

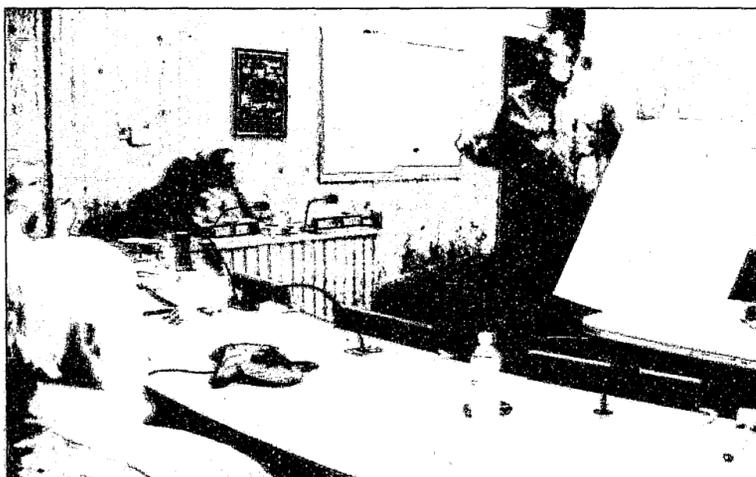
Alborn directed Decker to bring the council a draft contingency plan by the May 31 meeting and asked

about some interim steps. Decker said councilors could adopt some conservation rules or programs by resolution during a special meeting.

"If we run a good conservation program, we might make it," Potter said, about the long possibly dry summer ahead, which traditionally is when the village's population can triple or more with the return of seasonal home owners and tourists.

Denise Dean said rules should not target specific industries such as car washes but should apply across the board. A car wash may use 36,000 gallons of water a year, but hotels use 1.5 million gallons, she said.

Alborn said he received many irate calls about car washes operating in the drought, but one has its



Top photo, left to right, former village manager Frank Potter, engineer Jack Atkins and water attorney Alvin Jones. Above, Capital Projects Manager Randall Camp addresses workshop. (Dianne Stallings)

own well, and private property rights are involved. The time may come when the village has to ask even private well owners to curtail use, he said.

Mayhill Fire crews brace for strong winds

The Mayhill Fire that scorched nearly 32,000 acres since it ignited on May 9, was turned over to a Type 3 IMT (Incident Management Team) on Tuesday evening.

Fire officials said while fire personnel were being scaled back as part of the transition from a New Mexico Type 2 IMT, ample resources were being maintained and would be strategically assigned to the fire area in anticipation of winds and extreme fire conditions predicted for part of this week.

Crews had completed mop-up work around much of the perimeter of the fire early this week. Fire personnel continued to search out and extinguish hot spots, maintaining dozer lines, and put erosion control mechanisms in place.

A red flag warning, in place on Tuesday, was expected to be renewed on

Wednesday. Extreme fire conditions were anticipated, with 30-40 mile per hour sustained winds and gusts of 55-60 mph. The National Weather Service called the fire conditions "extremely critical." The forecast said that fires that develop would likely spread rapidly because of the conditions.

Pockets of unburned areas within the interior of the Mayhill Fire were expected to burn with low to moderate intensity especially with the high winds.

The fire, which ignited about two miles west of Mayhill, has burned on the Lincoln National Forest, New Mexico State Forestry property, as well as Bureau of Indian Affairs, Bureau of Land Management, and private lands in Otero and Chaves counties.

The cause of the Mayhill Fire remains under investigation.

Another fire, north of Silver City, continued to burn in the Gila National Forest. The Miller Fire has charred more than 70,000 acres since detected on April 28. Fire restrictions were put in place on the Gila National Forest last week.

On the Lincoln National Forest, a closure order was enacted on May 12 because of the extreme fire danger.

Parts of the Gila and Lincoln forests have a slight chance for isolated showers late Wednesday and into Thursday. But officials said the possible precipitation would be too little to change the fire restrictions in place.

In addition to the closure of the Lincoln National Forest, open burning restrictions are also in effect on state and private lands throughout New Mexico.

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- Ruidoso Village Council -

New beer & wine licenses approved for village businesses

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Uncork the wine, raise the glasses, the Ruidoso Village Council approved three new liquor licenses last week.

Rick Riddle, a local entrepreneur with several business interests, is changing the location of his wine and cheese tasting operation.

Riddle told councilors that his company Noisy Water Artwear Inc. applied for a new off-site Wine Growers Liquor License to be used at The Cellar Uncorked, 2332 Sudderth Drive in Midtown.

The license is for an existing business that previously did not own such a license, but was located on the basement level of a building containing Lucy's Mexicali Restaurant.

The new business site is directly across Sudderth Drive from the Shenanigan's Irish Pub.

"As a grape grower, I'm allowed three tasting rooms, two off-site and one on-site," Riddle said.

A grease, fat and oil trap has been installed at the new location, Riddle added.

Councilors also approved a new Small Brewers Liquor license only to be used at Noisy Water



Rick Riddle: "As a grape grower, I'm allowed three tasting rooms, two off-site and one on-site."

Brewing, 1214 Mechem Drive, the Casa Décor furniture center. The license is for an existing business that previously did not own such a license.

Reed's address is listed in Alto, and the co-owner named is Ellen Bramblett.

"We at Casa Décor are adding an addition to our business profile to include

small craft brewing," Reed wrote the council.

"I have built a ... system to manufacture beer on a small scale for our customers. We may add to our existing customers base by doing this; however, we will not be jeopardizing our core business to serve people who primarily want craft beers."

"The system will only make about eight kegs per month. We will not be serving food. My primary goal is to supplement our off-season business with an endeavor that might generate more customers than we presently experience from October through April."

The location formerly was a restaurant and lounge.

The third approval was for a beer and wine liquor license at Ruidoso Sacred Grounds Coffee and Tea House in the Boulder Center at the intersection of Mechem with Sudderth Drive.

An expanded food menu and extended hours are planned, said Rebecca J. Ponder, who said she bought the business in October.

She's in the process of installing a grease trap.



Rebecca J. Ponder, who purchased Sacred Grounds Coffee and Tea House in October, received a beer and wine license for her expanded menu.

In other action, councilors:

- approved a special dispensers permit for the Lincoln County Art Loop preview party at The Sanctuary, 207 Eagle Drive on July 7, contingent on special-event regulations being met.

- approved a memorandum of understanding between the village as fiscal agent for the Local DWI Grant Program and the city of Ruidoso Downs as the administrative authority for the Ruidoso Downs Police Department to provide more money for DWI enforcement activities and reimbursement of costs for Fiscal Year 2011-2012.
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dum of understanding between the village as fiscal agent and administrative authority for the Ruidoso Police Department for DWI enforcement activities and reimbursement of costs for Fiscal Year 2011-2012.

- approved a memorandum of understanding between the village of Ruidoso as fiscal agent for the Lincoln County Planning Commission concerning the local DWI grant funds for a part-time county clerk for Fiscal Year 2011-2012.
- approved of a memorandum of understanding between the village and the village of Capitan as administrative authority for the Capitan Police Department for DWI enforcement

activities and reimbursement of costs for Fiscal Year 2011-2012.

- approved a memorandum of agreement between the village the city of Ruidoso Downs and the county of Lincoln to combine funds and resources to create a community DWI Program for FY2011-2012.

- approved a request for a public hearing May 31 for an ordinance authorizing the issuance of village water system improvement revenue bonds not to exceed \$1 million to defray the cost of improving the water supply distribution system, not limited to acquisition of water rights and paying all expenses incidental to issuance of bonds.



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White Fire area residents warned

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Risks exist to lives and property for those who live between the White Fire urn area and a stream or river in the immediate vicinity.

Reporting on recent meetings of members of the Burned Area Emergency Response team, Lincoln County Manager Tom Stewart told county commissioners Tuesday people living in those areas should begin preparing now for the potentially terrible situation of thunderstorm runoff out of the canyons in the coming months.

The U.S. Forest Service appointed John Barksdale to head preventative measures being taken on the Lincoln National Forest some area of the more than 10,000 acres burned by the White Fire in early April, leaving the vegetation-stripped ground vulnerable to erosion and runoff.

Stewart said that, in the first weeks of June, the Forest Service staff will seed the burn area by aircraft, will drop mulch by helicopter over the area to encourage growth and will begin adjustments to forest property culverts and installing trash traps.

Rick DeIaco of the Natural Resource Conservation Service is charged with assisting the three sponsoring entities with

the protection of private property. The entities are the county, the city of Ruidoso Downs and the Upper Hondo Soil and Water Conservation District.

DeIaco identified six Damage Survey Report areas for a request to the federal government for monetary assistance in the construction of preventative measures, Stewart said.

The sponsoring entities will work cooperatively with land owners to protect their property.

A Joint Information Center is going to be established soon for public information dissemination about the hazard, with flyers and other media urging the need for readiness, he said. The State Office of Homeland Security is coordinating Jersey barrier (modular concrete barrier) assistance, technological assistance from the State Engineer, public information expertise and sand bag stocks and positioning.

"The public needs to be aware of the potential for catastrophic flooding coming out of the canyon of the burn areas," Stewart said. If they live in the area of lower Gavilan Canyon, near the White residence at 401 Gavilan, or are close to Meander box culverts, the school maintenance yards, the ball park, Gavilan Canyon bridge, or along the

river bed to the Johnson Canyon exits to include the race track and barns and the related housing area, they are at risk, he said.

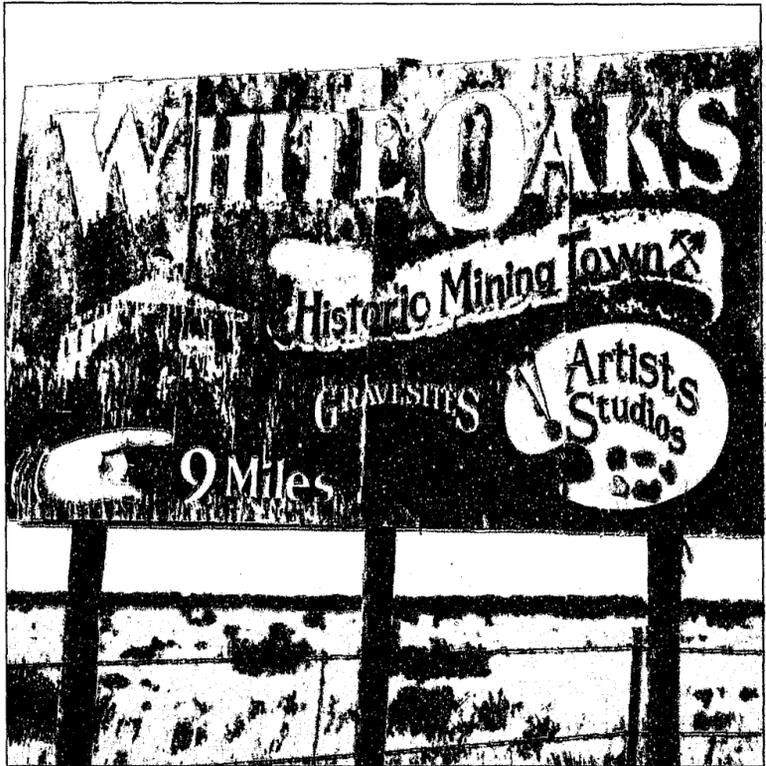
The county's Code Red Reverse 9-1-1 system, an automated phone dialing disaster warning, already was configured to put out warnings of flood and evacuation, if necessary, ahead of the surge, the manager said.

Commissioner Mark Doth, who lives in Ruidoso, asked why the village wasn't one of the sponsoring entities. The fire occurred outside of the village in the national forest, in the city of Ruidoso Downs and on unincorporated land in the county.

Commissioner Kathryn Minter said the village volunteered equipment and may help in the effort.

Stewart said the village will be contributing to the required matches for state or federal dollars. They will be stepping to the plate when they start working on Meander and the house on Gavilan Canyon across from the school maintenance yard, he said. "(Village Manager) Debi Lee was at the last meeting, so I'm hoping for their cooperation," he said.

"I just find it interesting," Doth said. "I would think they would want to step up and be part of (the recovery and stabilization effort)."



Lincoln County Commissioners contend the sign to White Oaks is locational and historic in nature and should not be targeted by the state under the Highway Beautification Act of 1965

SIGN

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contended the rules are applied unequally across the state. "If you've got enough money and pay off the right people. I'm not saying that happened here, but I read about case after case."

"Maybe (the Inn) sign is on private land," Commissioner Kathryn Minter suggested.

Doth was adamant the sign lies within a public right-of-way.

Commissioner Jackie Powell asked how one mention of studios isn't allowed

when on five highway exits on the way to Santa Fe note the presence of fast food restaurant, motels and gasoline stations. "What's the difference?" she asked.

Sedillo suggested not responding to the DOT letter, but Stewart said the agency would remove the sign.

"Then we can sue them over destruction of our property," Sedillo said. "We can take it to the Supreme Court," because the county had a permit.

Stewart reminded her that the county permit came from Public Lands, not the DOT, and both were required.

"This is one of those

things that says to you, 'Fight it.'" Sedillo said. "They're working for us, we aren't working for them. I'm so tired of complaints to the government, even though we're the government."

"Especially if the casinos can do anything they want," Doth added.

Stewart said he wrote Otero April 20 to appeal the decision and inform him of the proposed changes to the 8 foot by 8 foot sign at mile marker 127. He noted that commissioners considered the sign "primarily directional" and that it fell under the provision for signs noting historic attractions.

Stewart's year-to-year continues

After 13 contracts county manager to stay for 'one more'

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In case anyone doubted, Lincoln County commissioners made it clear Tuesday they're hoping Tom Stewart stays on board as county manager for several years to come.

They approved a 14th year under the same conditions as his current contract, but tried unsuccessfully to secure a commitment for more years.

But Stewart, who's retired from the Pentagon, said he's 62 and takes it year by year. He pledged to give commissioners five months notice if he decides to leave the post.

His salary remained at \$110,000, a raise given last year and his first since 2008. He declined an increase in 2009, during uncertain economic times.

He will forfeit nine days of unused vacation, al-



Lincoln County Manager Tom Stewart will stay on for a 14th year.

though Commissioner Kathryn Minter told him she wanted to see him use more vacation days in the new contract year.

Commissioner Mark Doth said, "Speaking for myself, I'm very satisfied with your performance. I know the contract is year-to-year, but are you happy with what you are doing?"

"I love my job," Stewart said. "Although it has its moments. For 13 years, it's been one year at a time. When I decide to do something else, I will give the board plenty of time to find a new manager and for the

transition."

Commission Chairman Eileen Sedillo said his contract specifies two months notice, but Stewart said he had in mind five months.

"So we can look forward to a couple of years?" Doth asked.

"I just turned 62, so it's year-to-year," Stewart repeated.

"I promised to start letting him beat me in golf," County Attorney Alan Morel said.

"I think we are exceptionally fortunate compared to other counties," Sedillo said.

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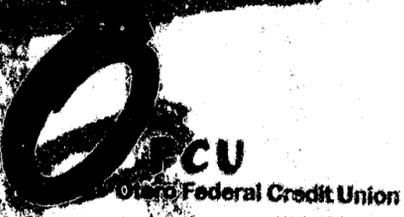
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Friday, May 13
 Capitan 11, Jemez 4
 Capitan 10, Laguna Acoma 6
 Capitan 15, East Mountain 5
State 1A Semi-finals
 Loving 16, Capitan 5

Pro Baseball

Friday, May 13
 Roswell 6, Ruidoso 5
Saturday, May 14
 Roswell 3, Ruidoso 2

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Pro Baseball

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 Pupfish at 10 a.m. at Griggs
 Sports Complex (Alamogordo)
Thursday, May 19
 White Sands Pupfish at
 Ruidoso Osos 4:05 p.m.
Friday, May 20
 Ruidoso Osos at White Sands
 Pupfish at 7:05 p.m.
Saturday, May 21
 White Sands Pupfish at
 Ruidoso Osos at 4:05 p.m.

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 recreational athletics, including frisbee accuracy and softball and soccer distance events on May 20, at 10 a.m. at the White Mountain Sports Complex. 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.



TOM QUINN/FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Kymbra Espinoza gets the bat on the ball against Estancia.



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Sidni Hughes fought through the learning process of pitching this year and rose to a stellar level of play. She is seen here in Thursday's state playoff action against Estancia.

Lady Tigers third in state

Capitan softball girls end season with 12-0 district record and go 4-2 in state

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The 1A-2A Capitan softball team ended the year ranked third in the state and had gone undefeated in district action.

It marked the fifth straight year Capitan has won district. Not bad when you consider the softball team has only been in existence for six years and were on a mandatory probation the first year.

When the season began

they were ranked No. 7.

Only four girls on this season's team played varsity last season - but in different positions since the year before.

Seven of this year's players had no varsity experience. The 16-player roster included three seniors, four juniors, one sophomore, seven freshmen and one eighth-grader.

"At the beginning of the season I expected we'd do well," Capitan head softball coach Rodney Griego said.

"We had some young girls, a new pitcher and a tough schedule in the regular, non-district games.

"We lost some close games but it was in those tough games that we had glimpses of the team's capability.

"Our pitcher, Sidni Hughes, fought through the learning process, along with our other new players and by the 25th game of the regular season I felt we were ready to give a good account of ourselves in the state playoffs."

When Capitan's initial game was scheduled in state action, Thursday morning, May 12, against Tucumcari, the Lady Tigers were seeded No. 4 behind Laguna Acoma

(No. 3), Loving (No. 2) and Jal (No. 1).

Hughes, and her ambush of Lady Tigers, made quick work of the Tucumcari squad with a 16-0 white-washing.

Hughes gave up only one hit while recording seven strikeouts. Offensively, Capitan banged out 10 hits.

At 4 p.m., of the same day, the Lady Tigers faced off against Estancia.

"In the Tucumcari game our shortstop jammed her knee sliding into second base and was out for the rest of the weekend's games," Griego said. "For the Estancia game I moved our freshman centerfielder to shortstop, the left-fielder to center and Emily Swanner

to right field.

"I felt the game with them, earlier in the season, had gotten away from us because of errors and that we could win the state face off with them if we limited our miscues."

It didn't start off well for the Lady Tigers when they committed four errors, gave up four walks and a hit batsman along with a hit and allowed Estancia six runs in the first inning.

The Capitan girls settled down and only allowed two more Estancia runs in the next six innings, while the Lady Tigers scored two in the fifth and four in the sixth.

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A case of the yips

I watched as the sixth throw sailed over the pitcher's head. The coach walked off in apparent disgust. I asked the catcher what was wrong.

He explained his coach told him he has the "yips." Previously a star catcher, the advent of his junior Little League season resulted in a loss of fine motor skills.

The catcher lamented that he can no longer simply

throw the ball back to the pitcher.

It happens in all sports and in many occupations. Performance anxiety, "the yips" has happened to golfers, which for some unknown reason, can no longer put.

In basketball Chuck Hayes could no longer perform free throw shots. Even some surgeons have been to

known to get it, cops who can no

longer shoot at the range, and what comes to mind is baseball.

Steve Blass compiled a 103-62 lifetime pitching record over a ten year Major League career. In 1971 he led the Pittsburgh Pirates to a World Series Championship pitching two complete games.

In 1972 he won 19 games. However, in 1973 he simply fell apart compiling a 9.81 ERA as he walked scores of hitters. They even named a disease after him, "Steve Blass Disease."

In the early 80s Steve Sax

was a decent, not great, second baseman for the Los Angeles Dodgers. He developed the "yips" where it got so bad that fans, fellow teammates and even Sax were in agreement in praying "please don't hit it to me."

He could not make simple throws from second to first base.

Chuck Knoblauch was a Texas A&M standout and All-American.

In 1991 he was voted American League Rookie of the

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Trainer Bobby Crenshaw dies from cancer

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Trainer and former professional football player Bobby Dan Crenshaw of Carrizozo died on Wednesday after a prolonged battle with pancreatic cancer. He was 67.

Crenshaw was very active in horseman's associations as a board member of Horseman's Benevolent

and Protective Association and a longtime member of the horseman's committee at Ruidoso Downs. He was honored with the 2009 Jim Curry Memorial Lifetime Achievement Award by the New Mexico Horseman's Association.

Crenshaw was born in Fort Sumner, New Mexico and then raised in White Oaks, New Mexico. His high school athletic career

gained national prominence when he was honored as a national all American football player and set state records competing in hurdle events on the track. He was also active in rodeos.

He then continued his football career at New Mexico State University and played weak-side linebacker for the Philadelphia Eagles from 1967 through

1969.

After his football career, he taught physical education and science in Arkansas while also coaching the football, track and basketball teams.

He then returned to New Mexico and was the administrator at Fort Stanton Hospital and the mayor of Carrizozo.

In the early 1980s, Crenshaw then followed

his father into the business of training racehorses on the New Mexico circuit.

He is survived by his wife Darla and four children - Kenneth Crenshaw, Lisa Crenshaw, Chuck Goodman and Cash Spanhanks. He is survived by five grandchildren.

Services were held on Sunday, May 15 at 1 p.m. in White Oaks, New Mexico.

TIGERS

FROM PAGE 1B

Too little, too late and Capitan lost 8-6. Although the Lady Tigers punched out nine hits they committed a total of 11 errors.

Now in the loser's bracket, the Lady Tigers' backs were against the wall Friday morning at 8 a.m. against Jemez Valley.

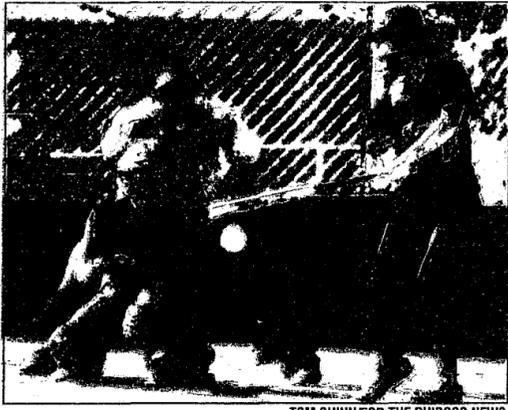
The Lady Tigers responded nicely, posted nine hits and downed Jemez Valley, 11-4.

At noon, the Capitan girls hit the field against Laguna Acoma, who proved to be good hitters - but the Lady Tigers were better and scattered 11 hits, with three errors, to grab a 10-6 victory.

At 4 p.m., the Lady Tigers played East Mountain (who had beaten Estancia, earlier) and 10-ran them, along with 13 hits, 15-5.

With barely a chance to take refreshment, the Capitan girls girded for battle in the semi-final at 6 p.m. with Loving.

The Lady Tigers came up with two runs in the top of the first, while the Lady Falcons mustered only one run at their turn at bat and



The Lady Tigers landed in the top three in state for the third year in a row.

Capitan led the defending state champions, 2-1.

The Lady Tigers banged out three hits in the second inning, scored a run and took a 3-1 advantage at the end of two. That's when things got ugly for Capitan. A strikeout on Loving was followed by a base hit and two infield errors, which left the score knotted at 3-3. Two outfield errors put the score at 6-3, Loving. Three hits and another error gave the Lady Falcons a 9-3 advantage at the end of three innings.

Loving put seven more runs across the plate in the fourth and the Lady Tigers could only come up with two

in the fifth, to give Loving a 10-run win in five innings. It was a good run for the Lady Tigers, especially playing through the loser's bracket.

"The girls really battled back in the loser's bracket," Griego said. "It made them believe they belonged with the elite teams of the state. They stepped up in a huge way."

Capitan has finished in the top three now for the past three years - third this year, second in 2010 and third in 2009.

"I see us getting more confident, better and stronger in 2012 and battling for the title game," Griego concluded.

SPENCER THEATER GOLF TOURNAMENT



James Paxton and Ronnie Hemphill were among the 50-plus golfers who participated in the 5th Annual Spencer Theater Golf Tournament fund raiser at the Inn of the Mountain Gods on Sunday, May 15. The winning team of the shotgun scramble included Tony Armstrong, Alan Archer, Carroll Dubose and Chris Stettheimer. Second place was taken by Norman Ackerman, Kane Keenan, Elliot Taylor and Tony Nanz and the third place winners were Ken Clayton, Skip Nix, Steve Stroud and Bruce Timson. Many thanks to all the participants who helped make the event spectacular, especially all the prize donors, hole sponsors and the Inn of the Mountain Gods, which provided the gorgeous greens, golf carts and lunch for the players.

YIPS

FROM PAGE 1B

Year and helped lead the Minnesota Twins to a World Series Championship. In the 90s he batted .312, .333, and .341 three years in a row,

in 1997 he won the Gold Glove at second base, and he stole 40 bases in three consecutive years.

In 1999, after being traded to the Yankees, Knoblauch's meltdown began. For some inexplicable reason, he could no longer make routine throws from second base to

first base. His throws garnered national attention in 2000 when he sailed a routine throw over the first baseman's head into the seventh row of Yankee Stadium seating hitting former MSNBC host, Keith Olbermann's, ninety-three year old mother in the head breaking her

glasses. This resulted in Knoblauch making Olbermann's "Worst Person of the Week" list.

New York Yankees' Manager, Joe Torre tried Knoblauch as Designated Hitter before banishing him to the outfield. Knoblauch later retired after 12 seasons never able

to get over his case of the "yips."

We see kids from time to time, that for some unknown reason, cannot throw, catch a ball, or hit even though they have done it numerous times before. It is assumed that all they need is practice. More fly balls, more

throwing exercises or in the case of hitting, more batting practice such as pitching machines, soft toss or live pitching.

When we rule out that it is not simply a matter of practice one must consider the possibility that it is purely psychological-a case of the "yips."

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<p>CINDY</p> <p>Cindy is a beautiful Miniature Pinscher with a great temperament. She is around a couple years old, weighs about 12 pounds, spayed and current on her vaccinations. Cindy walks very well on a leash, plays with other dogs and is very friendly with people. She is sure to make a great addition to your family!</p> <p>SPONSORED BY MIKE & PJ SCHUSTER</p>	<p>TAMRA</p> <p>Tamra was brought into the shelter with her young kittens after their owners moved away and left them behind. She is doing wonderful and has turned out to be a terrific cat. Tamra is very affectionate and easy going. She has been spayed and gotten up-to-date on her vaccinations. She is a very slight cat, weighing only 6-7 pounds, but great things come in small packages!</p> <p>SPONSORED BY [Sponsor Name]</p>	<p>SILAS</p> <p>Silas is a very well behaved Malamute mix. He walks very well on a leash, sits and shakes. Silas is also kennel trained. He is about 7 months old and weighs 50 pounds. He may, however, be a bit of an escape artist.</p> <p>SPONSORED BY JOANIE HOLT</p>	<p>MEADOW</p> <p>Meadow is a pretty red/black shepherd mix. She weighs about 33 pounds and is about 8 months old. Meadow walks well on a leash, loves other dogs and is an all around sweetheart.</p> <p>SPONSORED BY [Sponsor Name]</p>
<p>KATE</p> <p>Kate is a sweet, reserved border collie/heeler mix about 8-10 months old. She will likely bond very well with her new owners, but since she has been at the shelter she has had her guard up with the staff and volunteers. Kate weighs about 45 pounds and is still perfecting her leash skills.</p> <p>SPONSORED BY RUIDOSO NEWS</p>	<p>BURTON</p> <p>Burton is a lab mix dog, weighing about 37 pounds. He was found running loose in the Nogal area and was picked up by a county Sheriff Deputy. Burton was dirty, exhausted and in pretty bad shape when he got to the shelter. He is now cleaned up and much happier. Burton has blue merle and white markings with both ears being black and a big black spot on his back.</p> <p>SPONSORED BY ruidoso.net® It's where to go!</p>	<p>CALLAHAN</p> <p>Callahan is a handsome shepherd/husky mix. He loves going on walks and being around people. Callahan weighs about 65 pounds</p> <p>SPONSORED BY MARY BETH FOWLER</p>	<p>GEORGIA</p> <p>Georgia is a very friendly cat who was abandoned at the shelter. She was found loose outside our office and came right up to us when we went to catch her. She is very friendly and affectionate.</p> <p>SPONSORED BY WILLIAM HARALSON & ASSOCIATES WWW.WLHA-INC.COM 575-808-1522</p>
<p>ASHTON</p> <p>Ashton is a sweet, shy kitten about 4-5 months old. He has grey tabby and white markings and short hair.</p> <p>SPONSORED BY LINDA LUCKE INTERIORS, LLC 575-258-5881</p>	<p>MARTIN</p> <p>Martin is a handsome adult male cat, about 2-3 years old. He is solid black, quite mellow and friendly.</p> <p>SPONSORED BY PAT BREEDING</p>	<p>JEANIE</p> <p>Jeanie is a pretty cat who was captured on the animal shelter property. She is a bit shy, but very sweet. Jeanie is only about 1 year old, has long brown tabby hair, and white paws.</p> <p>SPONSORED BY EARL & JEAN GREMLION</p>	<p>JULES</p> <p>Jules is a beautiful grey and white tuxedo cat. She is about a year old, short haired and has a spunky personality.</p> <p>SPONSORED BY DEL LARSON</p>

12 HOURS IN THE WILD WEST

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Return now, to the trails of the Old West in New Mexico around the rolling hills of Fort Stanton.

Piñon/Juniper woodlands, cottenwoods along the banks of the Rio Bonito River, Blue Grama grass integrated with assorted wildflowers such as Indian Paintbrush.

The very landscape a trail driver might have seen more than 100 years ago.

Last Saturday, the trails around Fort Stanton saw another kind of adventurer upon them — well-fit

cyclists mounted on state-of-the-art mountain bikes in what was fittingly called 12 Hours in the Wild West.

The idea for the endurance race was the brainchild of local Ruidoso entrepreneur Cody Thurston who has labored diligently over the past few years to see the Ruidoso Trails Coalition, which will enhance and lengthen existing hiking and mountain bike trails and add needed new ones to a planned network of pathways in the Ruidoso area.

This in turn, if it comes to fruition, could attract hikers, birdwatchers and cyclist to this community

for years to come.

"This race was not just about a bike competition," Thurston explained. "It was an attempt to show economic development and diversity for the area."

"All proceeds, after expenses, will be given to the trails project. It was an endeavor to help the Ruidoso Trails Coalition move forward and realize its long-planned completion."

As Thurston refined the idea for the 12-hour race he received a phone call from Lindsay Mapes of Zia Rides who promotes other mountain bike endurance races.

She expressed interest

in promoting the event and quickly the idea became a reality.

Saturday saw 115 entrants compete in seven categories over the 10.3 mile racecourse around Fort Stanton in the first-ever 12 Hours in the Wild West.

Athletes from as far away as Denver, Flagstaff, Tucson, Lubbock and El Paso took part in the event.

"I was very happy with our initial response," Thurston said. "Males, females, kids and families enjoyed the 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. competitions."

The Riding With the Kid team finished third place,

for the four-man team category, with Craig Maldonado, Dale Moebus, Sebastien Welterlin and Chase Martinson. Ruidoso residents, Aaron LaCombe, Tony Goetz, Joe Coakley and rode with Roswell teammate, Tim Oracion on a team named The Schooners and acquitted themselves well.

Thurston competed on the team of the Ruidoso Outdoor Regulators with Paul Regalado, Mike Nelson and Kevin Flusche.

Sam Gallegos recorded the fastest lap time with a 42:39 - twice.

The racecourse encompassed 1,100 feet of climb-

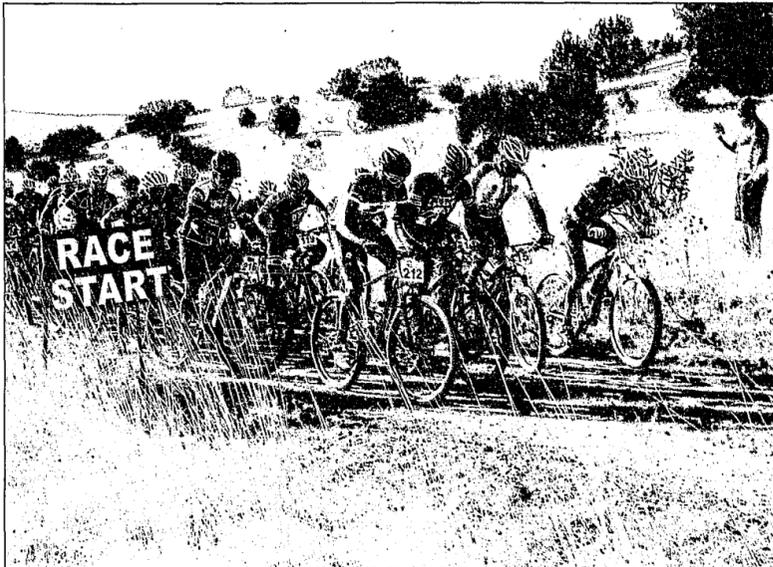
ing.

Plans for the second annual 12 Hours in the Wild West are already envisioned for May 12, 2012 and more than 200 entrants are expected.

Next year's race will be expanded to 18 hours and lengthened beyond the 10.3 miles of this year's event.

Zia Rides and Mapes will again promote the attraction. She has already turned Gallup into a mountain biking destination with three races there.

This should give added incentive to finish the planned 90 miles of hiking and biking trails for Ruidoso's master trail plan.



JOHN AND SUE SODEN/FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

The first-ever 12 Hours in the Wild West started promptly at 8 a.m. Saturday at Fort Stanton.



JOHN AND SUE SODEN/FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Saturday's race saw 115 participants. Organizers expect well over 200 entrants next year.



COURTESY TY WYANT

Joe "Young Man" Coakley, owner of the Ruidoso Athletic Club, cycled for the Schooners.



COURTESY FEDERIC MORAS

A cyclist, part of a four-man team, traverses a turn in the trail.



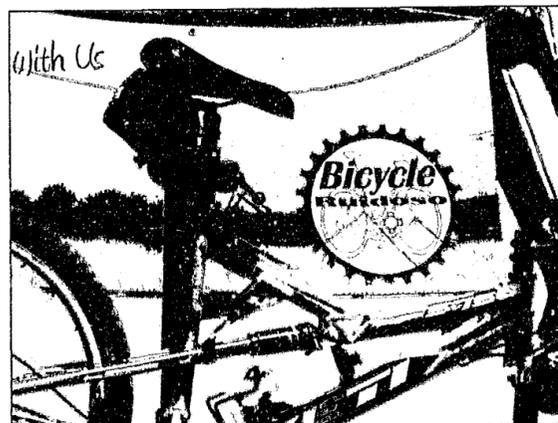
COURTESY TY WYANT

Cody Thurston, of Ruidoso Outdoor Adventures, cycled for the Ruidoso Outdoor Regulators.



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Ruidoso resident, Tony Goetz rode Saturday's race for the Schooners team.



COURTESY TY WYANT

Sponsors such as Bicycle Ruidoso are needed for next year's event.



MIKE CURRAN/RUIDOSO NEWS

Aaron LaCombe, owner of Landlocked, Rickshaw and Casa Blanca restaurants, rode for the Schooners team. "This was a first-time turnout and it did amazing things for Landlocked restaurant. Every rider I talked to thought it was a fantastic race."

LINCOLN COUNTY

Carrizozo schools go to four-day week

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The Carrizozo School Board voted unanimously to adopt a four-day school week beginning with the 2012 school year at their Tuesday night regular meeting.

"It's a sign of the times," Superintendent Robert Cobos said. "The main reason is finances. Our transportation bills, we'll save about 20 percent."

Cobos said the district realizes there will not be a 20 percent drop in all expenses, but cuts were necessary and a shorter school week will help.

"A lot of it is the times that we're in. We lost quite a bit of money and I've tried to keep it from affecting staff as far as cuts. We've zeroed out as many accounts as we can to a point where even if I go on a trip, or my board goes on a trip, we have to pay for our own trip. And it's mandatory trips."

Cobos said with neighboring school districts on a four-day week, Carrizozo would also be better able to

coordinate staff that is shared with the other districts as well as athletics.

More than two dozen public school districts in New Mexico have a four-day education week, including the Capitan Municipal School District, the Corona Public Schools, and the Hondo Valley School District, all in Lincoln County. And the number is expected to grow later this year.

Just last week the Cloudford Municipal School District Board approved a four-day week beginning with the coming school year.

A draft of a four-day week at Carrizozo would begin the 2011-2012 school year for seventh and eighth graders and high school students on Aug. 10.

Kindergarten through sixth grade classes would start on Aug. 17.

Students would have a three day, Friday through Sunday, weekend every week.

A committee, made up of some parents, staff and school board members, hammered out the propos-

al. The plan was presented to the community and discussed last week during a public forum.

Cobos said there were pros and cons of the schedule.

Listed as "pros" for a four-day school week were a coordination of education with surrounding school districts that are on a four-day week, the number of education hours for students would be the same as a five-day schedule, increased student and staff enthusiasm with a decrease in absenteeism, the ability to provide an afternoon snack for students, athletic games on Fridays would not interrupt classes, teacher time on-task would be longer for labs and clarification of work, students arrive home about the same time as parents diminishing the need for after school childcare or supervision, and monetary savings for the district.

Besides student transportation expenses, the savings would also include electricity costs, custodial supplies, food expenses, communications costs, sub-



POLLY E. CHAVEZ/FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Carrizozo Municipal School District superintendent Robert Cobos listens to a member of the audience during a public input meeting Thursday in the old school gym on the proposed four-day school week.

stitute teacher expenses and water/sewer bills.

The "cons" were the potential need for childcare for younger children and supervision for teens on Fridays, a longer school day for students, and one day less of sports practice.

The school day will increase by 45 minutes.

While decreased state

financing for public schools and an end to federal stimulus funding has impacted Carrizozo and other districts, Cobos said part of the financial squeeze is the size of Carrizozo's student population.

"Our enrollment continues to drop. Four years ago when I came here we were at about 213 kids. We're at

about 156 students now. We're graduating 20 seniors and we're bringing in seven kindergartners, so what does that tell you right off the bat? We're going to be 13 kids short from the 156. We're thinking it's one of the best things that we can go to," Cobos said of the four-day week.

YOUNG RODEO RIDERS



DANA TERLECKY/FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Ryleen Grace Abel, age 6, maneuvers her horse through the poles in Saturday's Lincoln County Jr. Rodeo Club's event at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds in Capitan.

Minnesota delicacy

Native hand picked wild rice is a north country tradition, even back in the early 1600s when wild rice was first discovered by French explorers, it was considered a delicacy. The Chippewa and Sioux Indians collected and stored wild rice which was part of their diet.

It is naturally abundant in cold rivers and lakes of Minnesota and Canada. Wild rice, highly nutritious, is not rice at all, but a grain. It is often referred to as the caviar of grains. Although wild rice may be expensive, it expands to three to four times its original size when cooked. It usually requires more time to cook than regular rice and often it is beneficial to soak before cooking.

Wild rice is used in a variety of foods such as appetizers, soup, salads, stews, casseroles and dressings. Cooked wild rice can simply be tossed with butter and seasonings. Wild rice requires a basic preparation of boiling, reducing heat, covering and simmering for approximately 45 minutes or until desired texture is obtained. Excess liquid is drained and the rice used according to the recipe of choice.

Joan Malkerson, who lives part of the time in Minnesota, shared a wild rice recipe with me. The recipe was a favorite of her mother-in-law, Betty, who raised one daughter and four sons in Minnesota. Betty died in 1972 and her recipe continues as favorite for Joan and her husband, Warren. I made the dish and it was a hit at my family gathering recently.

In Betty's Wild Rice Casserole, which is baked, the boiling step is skipped. Two cups of rice is soaked overnight in cold water. I made the casserole with KC's Best Wild Rice, which was given to me by Joan. The wild rice, from Bemidji, MN, makes a hearty casserole meal made with this healthy aquatic grain.

Wild Rice Casserole
2 cups wild rice, soaked overnight and drained
One-fourth cup each of butter, scallions, mushrooms
1 cup green pepper
1 package slivered almonds
1 can water chestnuts, sliced
6 cups chicken broth
In butter sauté chopped scallions, mushrooms and green pepper. Add almonds, chestnuts and continue to sauté. Add drained rice. Heat chicken broth to boiling and add to rice mixture. Bake in a 9" by 13" (3-quart) glass pan, covered with tin foil, for 2 hours or rice has puffed. Stir only once.



Polly's Potpourri
By Polly E. Chavez

Sad news and happy times

So sad to hear of the deaths of James McDaniel and Nora Henn. As of now no word on services. James was always so nice and friendly. We didn't know him as well as we should have. Our prayers are with his family. Nora Henn was the Lincoln



LINCOLN TRAILS
ROSALIE DUNLAP

history historian. She spent many hours researching and interviewing many of the descendants of the Lincoln history. We spent many hours on her porch, with Walter, enjoying a cup of coffee and discussing Lincoln. Gene and Carolyn Chistman celebrated their 50th anniversary

Saturday evening with a backyard hamburger/bbq for family and a few friends. We were so sorry we were unable to attend. Since the Creative Memories Retreat in April I have not been in the best of health. What being weak, dizzy, and finally with the 5th fainting and vomiting spell the doctors were finally able to know for sure it was my heart. The heart doctor had talked about the possibility of a pacemaker several months ago. This time my pulse was so low and my heart stopped.

Everything that was suppose to be high was low and low was high. After seven days in the hospital I received as pacemaker and home on the eighth day (Thursday) It has happened three times

in the beauty shop and she would call 91 immediately. Las Cruces has a great EMT crews and the hospital staff were great even if they were taking tests and blood every two hours. Ralph will be getting a scooter in a couple of weeks. Our van will accommodate a lift. We are facing a lot of changes in our lives. We may not get to Lincoln too often now.

Our granddaughter Patricia and son of Phoenix visited us over the weekend. Tristan kept Granny entertained while his mother cleaned Granny's house.

A lot of the the frozen palm trees, yucca's seem to be recovering. Our large front tree in the front yard had to be trimmed but it has lots of sprouts and will be beautiful once again.

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Absconder apprehended

RUIDOSO POLICE BRIEFS

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When Michael Garcia dropped his girlfriend off at work Friday, police were waiting.

After Garcia's girlfriend had gotten out of the vehicle and approached the back door of the Great Wall of China Restaurant, officer's blocked him in, rushed the car, threw "flash-bang" devices and took him into custody.

Garcia, 33, was wanted for absconding from probation in Roswell.

An Adult Probation officer had developed information that Garcia was living with a girlfriend at her mother's house in San Patricio and would be dropping her off at work at the restaurant at 5 p.m.

Friday.

Five Ruidoso Police officers, including Chief Joe Magill, two Deputy U.S. Marshall's and a Lincoln County Drug Enforcement Unit Sergeant conducted the operation to bring in the fugitive that, according to the probation officer, was known to carry a handgun and had reportedly made statements that he was not going back to jail.

Ruidoso Police Sergeant Joel Martin reports Garcia was unarmed and taken into custody without incident.

A search of the vehicle turned up heroin and drug paraphernalia, which Garcia claimed as his.

During an interview at the Ruidoso Police Department after the arrest, Garcia allegedly told

Martin that he had developed an addiction to heroin during his last prison term and had been unable to kick the habit. He allegedly said that was why he had stopped reporting to the probation office. He knew he would fail the drug test. Martin reported Garcia had "track marks" on both arms.

Martin charged Garcia with possession of heroin, possession of drug paraphernalia, a District Court probation violation warrant and a Magistrate Court warrant for driving on a revoked license.

Magistrate Judge Lorena LaMay set Garcia's bond at \$50,000 cash and the Adult Probation office put a probation violation hold on him. Garcia remains in jail.

May 7

9:31 p.m. - Officer Tillman Freeman responded to Sierra Mall for a report of criminal damage to property.

Freeman reported that a witness heard glass breaking and saw six men running from Sierra Mall. He reported finding a broken window.

10:11 p.m. - Officer Lance Ledford responded to The Lodge at Sierra Blanca for a report of a domestic incident.

Ledford reports Dispatch advised him two children had given the desk clerk a note requesting help.

Ledford reports the eight and nine year old told him they had fled from the room because "Mommy is hitting Daddy."

Ledford arrested Cindi Young, 43, of El Paso, on a charge of battery on a household member.

Ledford reported Young's husband said she had been drinking all day and, during an argument, began hitting scratching and clawing him.

Young reportedly apologized for scaring the children and causing a problem.

May 10

10:43 a.m. - Officer Tyrel Tyson responded to Apache Trading Post for a report of a larceny.

Tyson reported the owner said there was a \$1,000, 14-karat gold but-ton missing.

2:01 p.m. - A citizen came to the Ruidoso Police

Department to report a stolen handgun for a friend that is out of town fighting fires.

Officer Larry Smith reports the woman reported the .357 magnum revolver was missing from it's box and the owner asked her to report it for him.

A Village worker reported graffiti in the bathroom at White Mountain Sports Complex.

May 11

1:36 p.m. - Officer Eric Ament responded to the 300 block of Walnut for a report of a burglary.

The victim reportedly said she had taken her son to school that morning and returned at about 1 p.m. to find her home ransacked and burglarized.

A laptop computer, videos and DVDs were reportedly stolen.

Tommy "Tom" Freeman & 1936 - 2011

A very informal Celebration of Life Memorial service for Tommy "Tom" Freeman, 75 of Capitan, N.M., will be at 10:00 A.M. on Friday, May 20, 2011 at Christ Community Fellowship Church in Capitan with Rev. Alan Stoddard officiating.

Tom was born on February 25, 1936 in Paola, Kansas to Leslie and Nettie (Hobbs) Freeman and passed away on May 14, 2011 at his home in Capitan. Tom grew up in El Reno, Oklahoma. He was a Veteran of the US Army, obtaining rank of Sergeant First Class, where he served for a little over 8 years. After leaving the service, Tom was employed by the Civil Service at Ft. Hood, TX, and Ft. Bliss, TX. After retirement he owned a variety of businesses including Sunland Custom Feeds in El Paso and Ruidoso. In 1997 he and Suzanne married in Lincoln County where they owned the Alto Fruit Market and for the last 7 years were proprietors of Tom's BBQ Restaurant in Capitan.

Tom is survived by his wife, Suzanne Freeman of Capitan, his son, Mike Freeman and wife Starr of Round Rock, TX, his daughters, Nanette Nabours of New Braunfels, TX, formerly of Alamosa, CO, and Robin Nowotny and husband Carl of New Braunfels, TX, former wife, Mary Jane (Davis) Porter of New Braunfels, 5 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild. Donations may be made, in Tom's name, to the Ruidoso Home Care and Hospice, P.O. Box 2019, Ruidoso, N.M. 88345 or The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, Leukemia Research, P.O. Box 4486, Houston, Texas 77210-4486

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Guilty plea five years later

A Mescalero man pleaded guilty Tuesday in federal court to assault charges arising from a nearly five year ago beating of a woman on the reservation.

Gene Collins Ahidley, 28, faces up to 10 years in prison on each of two charges - assault resulting in serious bodily injury and assault with a deadly weapon.

Ahidley was arrested last year for an August 2006 attack on his then girlfriend.

U.S. Attorney Kenneth Gonzales said Ahidley pleaded guilty to assaulting the woman with his fists, feet and a tree branch.

On August 24, 2006,

Ahidley had been released from a halfway house in Las Cruces after being granted a two-day pass to visit his family at Mescalero.

A verbal argument between Ahidley and his then 19-year-old girlfriend began after the couple and their young son left a party, according to a criminal complaint.

The charging document stated that Ahidley drove his girlfriend and two-year-old son to a re-mote location behind the Pena Housing Area where he was accused of assaulting the woman by repeatedly punching her in the face, kneeling her in the body

and face, and kicking her legs and back. Ahidley then found an approximately 30-inch long and three-inch thick tree branch and used it to strike the victim on the legs, face and back of her head. The complaint stated the woman suffered injuries to her head, neck, torso and legs and continued to require medical treatment for years.

According to an FBI special agent, Ahidley admitted in January 2008 interview that he had beaten the woman and struck her with a tree branch.

Ahidley remains in federal custody awaiting a sentencing hearing.

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Services are scheduled for Friday, May 20, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. at Lone Tree Bible Ranch for James Kirby McDaniel, age 69, of Capitan, NM, who passed away May 15, 2011 with family and friends after a long battle with cancer. Pastor Steve Dirks of Lone Tree Bible Ranch and Roland Burnett of Cain Trail Baptist Church will officiate with interment on the McDaniel Ranch.

James was born on November 7, 1941 in El Paso, Texas to Joseph Alexander and Margaret Elizabeth Harrison McDaniel. They have preceded him in death.

James married Gwenda on September 22, 1962 in Roswell. She survives him at the family home.

He is also survived by a son: Ron E. McDaniel and his wife Diane; daughters: Shawna Hidalgo and her husband Michael, Marie L. Gossett and her husband Brent; brother: Roy Edward McDaniel and his wife Gloria J.; sister: Vera Emily Lavin and her husband Joe; grandchildren: Andre Coca, Ara McDaniel, Ella Gossett, Isabella Hidalgo and Anya Hidalgo, and neices, nephews and cousin.

James was raised in Roswell. He graduated in 1961 from high school and then received his Bachelors in Range Management from New Mexico State in 1966. He worked for the BLM from 1966 to 1968, then moved to the ranch on May 1, 1968 which he ran until his death. His greatest love was family, ranching and God. James touched many lives. He was active for many years in the Baptist church. He was on the Capitan School Board for 8 years, and also the Lincoln Co. Farm Bureau.

Pallbearers will be Scott Chapman, Floyd Hobbs, Adam McDaniel, Bill McKnight, Ryan McKnight, Caleb Saunders, Wayne Smith, and David Worrell. Honorary pallbearers are Jimmy Clark, Andre Coca, Jeff Conboy, Charlie Gatto, Dennis McDaniel, Howard McKinney, Terry Shelcrosley, Preston Stone, Arlin Talbot, Jeff Warnock, Tim Worrell and Lonnie Valencia.

The family would like to thank Dr. Danny El-Sayah and the staff at Kymera Cancer Center.

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Crash injures Portales woman

RUIDOSO MAGISTRATE BRIEFS

April 27

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A Portales woman was injured Monday in a single vehicle rollover on Gavilan Canyon Road.

The driver, Toni L. Wiggs-Fraze, 67, was southbound on Gavilan

Canyon Road near Warrior Drive at what a New Mexico State Police report said was a high rate of speed. She overcorrected on a curve in the roadway causing the vehicle to overturn. Her vehicle sustained heavy rollover damage and Wiggs-Fraze had to be

extricated. She was taken to the Lincoln County Medical Center for treatment. Wiggs-Fraze was cited for careless driving. The incident happened about 12:30 p.m. and halted traffic on Gavilan Canyon Road for a brief period.

Another collision was reported around 7:30 a.m., also on Monday. The two-vehicle crash occurred at the intersection of U.S. Highway 70 and U.S. Highway 380 near Hondo. Police said there were no life-threatening injuries reported in the crash.

tract Attorney John Bernitz, the State dismissed a charge of driving while license revoked.

Judge Lorena LaMay sentenced Gutierrez to 90 days unsupervised probation and a \$100 fine.

Dan Wormington pleaded no contest to charges of no insurance, no registration and open container.

Under a plea and disposition agreement reached by Denson and Bernitz, the State dismissed a charge of DWI (2nd offense).

LaMay sentenced Wormington to 90 days unsupervised probation and ordered him to pay \$528 in fines and court costs.

Nakota Little Bear Poncho pleaded no contest to a charge of driver must be licensed.

Under a plea and disposition agreement reached by Denson and Bernitz, the State dismissed a charge of DWI (1st offense).

LaMay sentenced Poncho to 90 days unsupervised probation and a \$150 fine.

Lee Gist pleaded no contest to a charge of driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs (3rd offense).

Under a plea and disposition agreement reached by Denson and Bernitz, the State dismissed "aggravated" from the charge.

LaMay sentenced Gist to 30 days in jail, to begin within 45 days, five years supervised probation, 96 hours of community service, \$991 in fines and court costs and ordered Gist to install an ignition interlock device on his vehicle for three years.

Matthew Miranda pleaded no contest to a charge of driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs (1st offense).

Under a plea and disposition agreement reached by Denson and Bernitz, the state dismissed "aggravated" from the charge and dismissed a charge of roadways laned for traffic.

LaMay sentenced Miranda to 364 days supervised probation and deferred jail time and a fine. LaMay ordered Miranda to pay \$241 in court costs.

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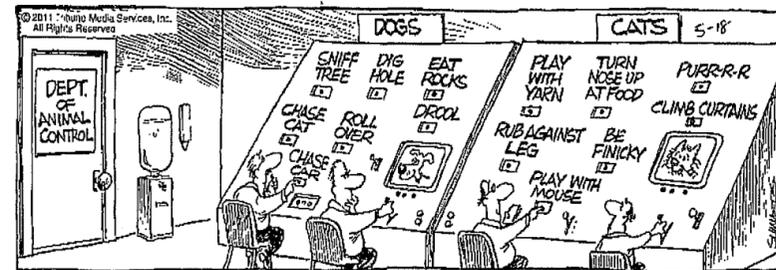
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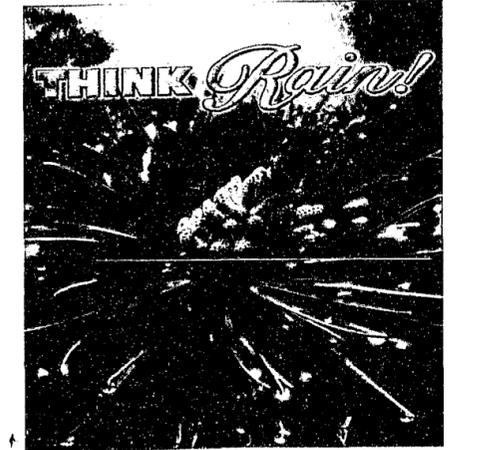
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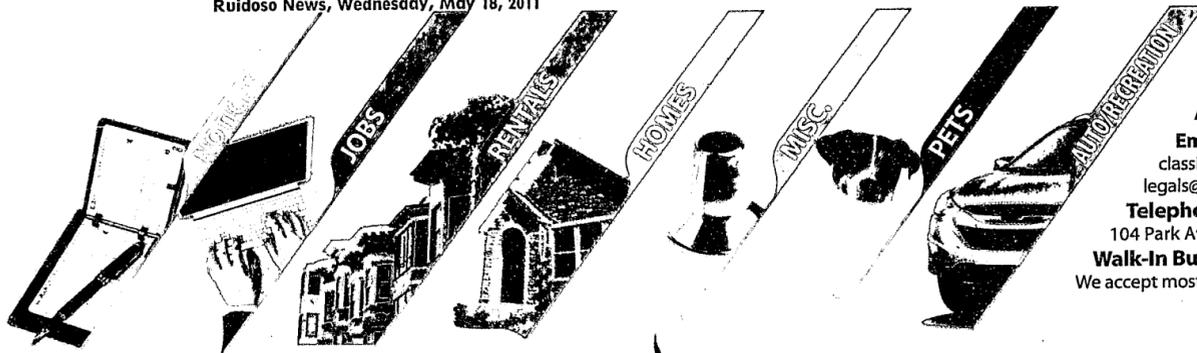
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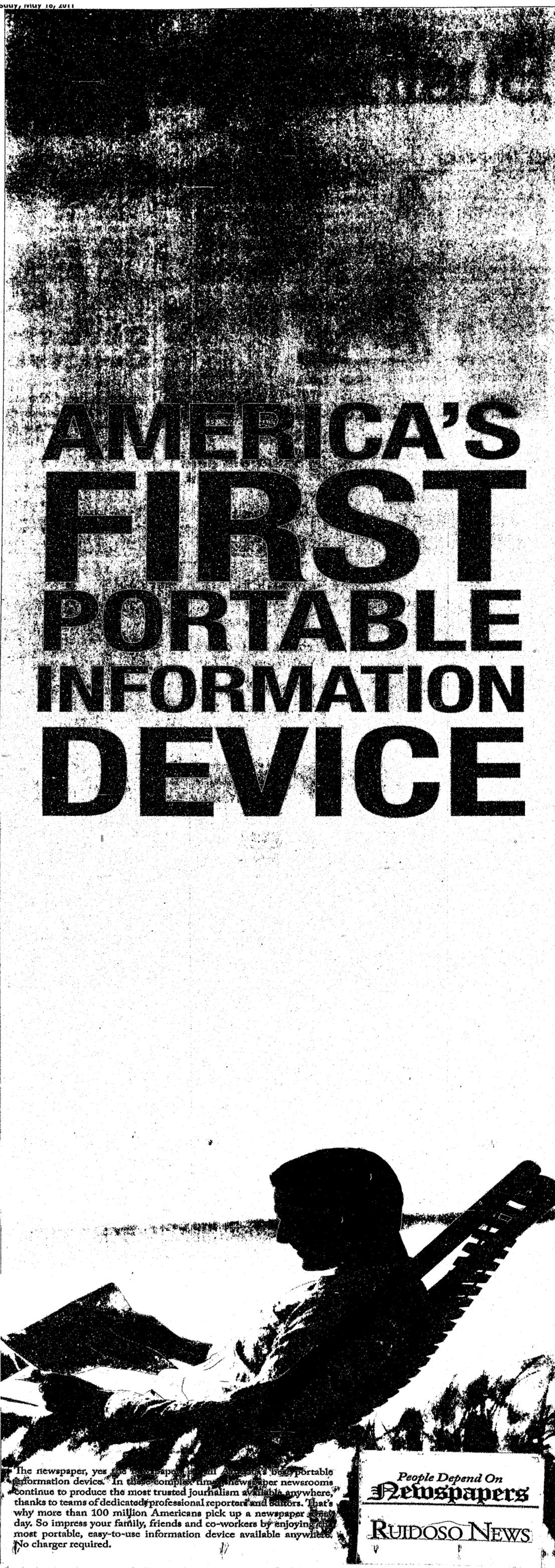
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