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Abandoned horse rescue effort underway

Downturn in economy could be leading to more animal dumping

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The situation isn't new, just a little more common in today's faltering economy. Some owners of pleasure horses who no longer can afford to feed them or of race-horses past their prime or not producing income turn out their equines on public land.

Sometimes the owners operate

under the romantic notion the horse will reunite with a wild herd and roam free and happy. More likely, the equine savvy say, the animals will starve from limited forage or water and fall prey to coyotes or mountain lions.

Even worse, some owners opt not to spend the money to humanely euthanize their animals and shoot them in deserted arroyos, as the fate of 11 horses

was reported last year. A longtime resident of the valley recalled years ago seeing hooves sticking up like dead trees from manure and trash piles.

One day a few weeks ago, Jessie Hanson, owner of Broken Heart Stable, found a horse on adjoining Forest Service land literally on its last legs surrounded by coyotes waiting for it to drop.

"It looks to be a 30-year-old

horse and tattooed (with an identification difficult to discern), just skin and bones," she said. "Animal abuse is a fourth-degree felony and because it was on Forest Service land, it's a federal crime, too."

"It's the end of the racing season and I received a report that (two weeks ago), someone dumped some horses up near Ski Apache that they no longer

want to care for. Apparently, then they don't have to worry about state or federal jurisdiction, which would occur on state trust land or Forest Service land. They think they're doing a good thing turning the horses out with other horses, but if they starve, no one can go in and get them."

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County mulls pay for manager

Search for Stewart's replacement continues

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A list of serious contenders for the position of Lincoln County manager is scheduled to be posted by Sept. 20, but the question of annual pay remains in limbo.

"I have four applicants already and the deadline is Sept. 9," County Manager Tom Stewart told commissioners at their meeting last week. Stewart announced his retirement in July to be effective late this year, depending on the timing of naming a successor.

By Tuesday, the number of applicants had grown to six. Stewart said he hoped to conduct the selection committee meeting in the morning of Sept. 13, and schedule a special commission meeting in the afternoon.

"The tax rates are due to be issued Sept. 6-7, and they need to be approved within five working days, so I thought we could handle it in the afternoon and I could bring the preliminary list to them in afternoon and see if they are in the mood to do some interviews," he said.

Stewart advised commissioners not to set a pay range. "I've had no questions about that," he said at the August commission

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FOAMING WITH CREATIVITY



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From left, Cross Shendo and Irene Bob, eighth-grade students at Ruidoso Middle School, work on their foam-board sculptures during their advanced art class, taught by Megan Rabourn. Their completed sculptures are due Tuesday, Aug. 30, and will be displayed in the school's library.

Village now finds hotdog cart endeavor kosher

Officials reverse move to shutdown vendor

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A hotdog stand that opened in July outside Lawrence Brothers IGA will remain in business. Earlier this month, after the village of Ruidoso provided Darrell Hail with a business license,

the village wanted the hotdog sales halted. Village Manager Debi Lee had said Hail's endeavor amounted to being an itinerant vendor, which is prohibited.

"I resolved everything with the village and we'll be

here for as long as we like, I guess," Hail said Thursday. "We came to an agreement with the city manager and, with some help from Lawrence Brothers, I'm able to stay here."

Lee said the village made

a mistake in issuing a business license last month for the hotdog wagon.

"Unfortunately Bob Decker (acting village planning director) authorized it but he didn't really cite by what because he truly is an

itinerant vendor."

But Lee said Wednesday that Big D's Hotdogs will continue to serve up the frankfurters outside Lawrence Brothers.

"Quite honestly, if he is a function of IGA, they can do

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Mescalero resident lands role in 'Cowboys and Aliens'

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When artist and Mescalero Apache Language Preservation program head Oliver Enjady was tapped to act as a consultant on the film "Cowboys and Aliens," he never imagined he would end up cast in multiple roles.

"It all just kind of fell into place," he said Wednesday. "Scott Rushforth was asked to do the consulting on lan-

guage and he wanted me to go with him."

Rushforth is working with Enjady on preserving the tribal tongue and recently was awarded a \$312,000 grant to complete a dictionary under an Endangered Language Program.

As a condition for the consulting, they secured approval for several other tribal members to attend the casting call on the movie.

"We went up to Santa Fe onsite

with the director Jon Favreau and his staff to consult with the wardrobe people," Enjady said. "They had a casting call and several people were chosen, about 20 plus dancers and singers, although sadly, that part did not show up on the film. We're hoping it shows up on the DVD when the director's cut is released."

Rushforth and Enjady, a former

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Ribbon cutting

The Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce has announced a special Business after Hours (BAH) ribbon cutting and reception to recognize the new manned Emergency Operation Center at Copper Ridge. The Hubbard Foundation, a chamber member, is being recognized for their community support for donating the building structure for the center, and land was donated by Rio Bonito, LLC.

The BAH will take place at the center at 111 Copper Ridge Road (Angus) at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 24th. Refreshments will be provided by Ruidoso Downs Race Track and the Chamber Greeters will conduct a ribbon cutting ceremony. The community is cordially invited to attend.

Radio Day

The Sierra Blanca Amateur Radio club and Lincoln County Amateur Radio Emergency Service/Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (ARES/RACES) team will sponsor an Federal Communications Commission Amateur Radio Examination session at 6 p.m. Aug. 31.

The session will held be conducted at Cofext Computer Office, 204 Sudderth Drive in Ruidoso. Examinations for the

Technician, General and Amateur Extra class Ham Radio Licenses will be available at this session; the cost will be \$15.00 per exam.

Examinees must present two forms of identification to take an exam. Someone with a current Ham radio license also will need a copy of the current radio license.

For more information or to pre-register for the session, contact Rick Sohl K5RIC by e-mail at k5ric@arrl.net, or leave a voice mail message at 575-937-8480.

Meeting cancelled

Ruidoso's village councilors canceled their regular meeting Tuesday (Aug. 30).

The next regularly scheduled meeting is 3 p.m., Sept. 13, at the Ruidoso Administrative Building, 313 Cree Meadows Drive, Ruidoso.

LCMC meeting

The next meeting of the LCMC Board of Trustees is scheduled for 6 p.m. Monday, Aug. 29, at in the hospital board room.

Alto Village

The Alpine Village Water and Sanitation District will meet at 4 p.m., Sept. 5, in the District's building at 114 Alpine Meadows Trail.



Ruidoso Altrusa member Paula Tipton, right, presents Trish Watson, Humane Society of Lincoln County assistant shelter manager, with some always needed items for the shelter. Altrusa members are planning to make similar donations about once each month.

Regular business for the District, such as paying bills and reporting on the operations of the water system, will be conducted.

In addition, the agenda may contain discussion regarding budget issues, lot clearing, and committees to address the Conservation and a Drought Contingency Plan, Capacity Assessment, and revision of the Bylaws and Regulations.

All residents of the District are welcome to attend. Agendas are available at least 24 hours before the meeting. All regular monthly meetings are conducted the first

Monday of the month.

Huff n Puff

Gerald Sinclair, a Ruidoso practitioner of botanical medicine, will be the guest speaker at the Sept. 6 meeting of a chronic obstructive pulmonary disease support group.

The Huff n Puff meeting will run from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., at the Alamogordo Senior Center. Sinclair, who holds a doctorate degree, will speak on safe botanical support. A pulmonary therapist from Gerald Champion Regional Medical Center will attend, as will local home care representatives. Family, caregivers and

guests are welcomed. For more information on meetings and schedules, call the Pulmonary Rehab Department at 575-443-2745 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, or Jan Lundstrom at 575-443-2499.

Mariachi concert

Mariachi music will come to Ruidoso, courtesy of Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church.

Mariachi San Pablo, an inter-generational music ministry based at Yselta Lutheran Mission Human Care in El Paso, will provide the two-hour concert beginning at 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 10.

The free performance will be at the Ruidoso Senior Center. The group is believed to be the only Lutheran mariachi band in the world. Their repertoire is made up of a variety of music including traditional hymns and contemporary Christian songs in both English and Spanish.

"If you want to be able to greet your Spanish-speaking neighbors in the language of their hearts, we invite you to join us in welcoming Mariachi San Pablo to Ruidoso," Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church officials said in an announcement. "Let's show our neighbors to the south that we are all God's children and join us and them in an afternoon of uniqueness. With the free admission to the concert,

people are encouraged to donate to Yselta Lutheran Mission Human Care. The items needed at the mission currently are: blankets, jackets, non-perishable food, backpacks, and toys. Cash donations for the mission will be accepted also."

Mariachi San Pablo will also lead the Sunday, Sept. 11, 10:30 a.m. worship service at Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran. The church is located at 1120 Hull Road.

Yard Sale

A Capitan "Village Wide Yard Sale" is planned for 8 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 10, an event sponsored by the Capitan Public Library.

Participants must live in the village limits or no more than two miles past.

A \$5 fee covers the cost of advertisement, a sign for the sale, and participant's address on a map.

Registration forms are available from the Library, the Not 2 Shabby Shop and other businesses in the village. Deadline for registration is 5 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 8. For more information, contact the Capitan Public Library at (575) 354-3035. The Capitan Public Library is a volunteer-run non-profit organization that provides a free and welcoming place to learn or relax. Donations are tax-deductible and help keep this community resource free and available. To donate, please go to the library website, www.capitanlibrary.org.

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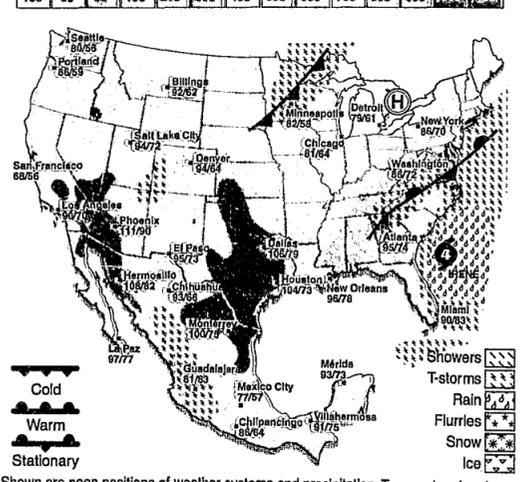
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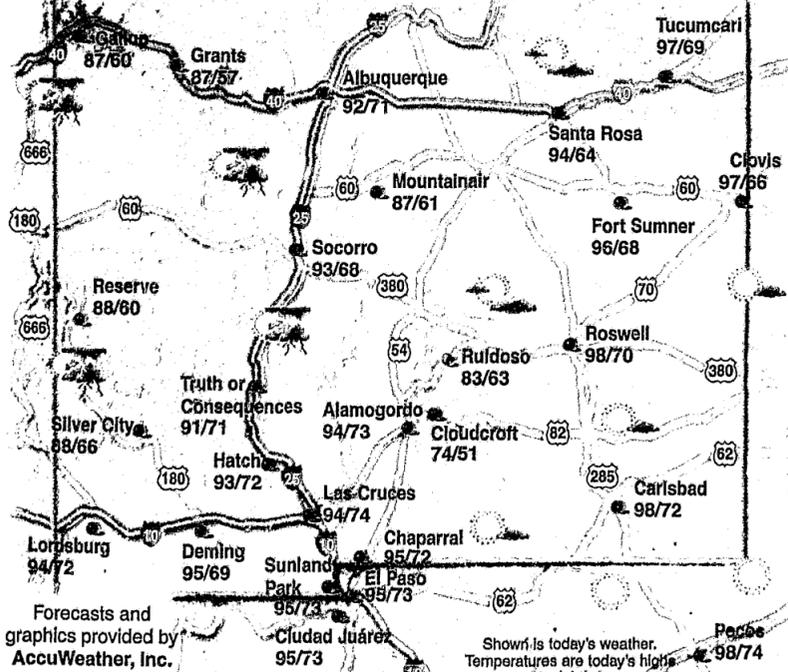
AccuWeather 7-day forecast for Ruidoso

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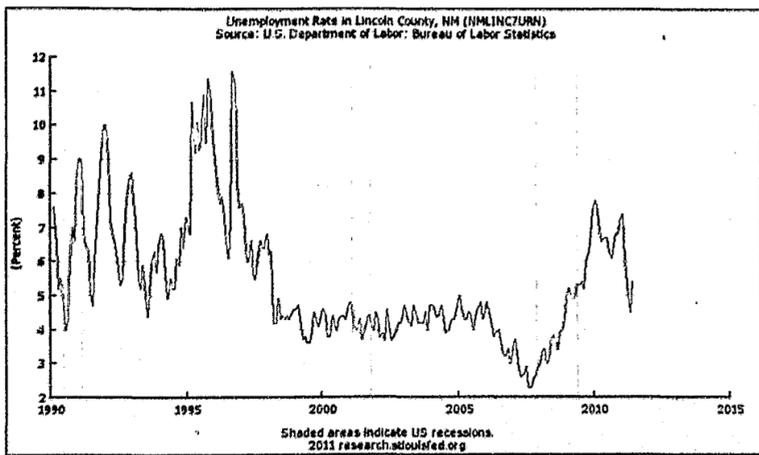


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Ruidoso Statistics through Wednesday Temperature: High/low 84°/63° Normal high 78° Normal low 50° Record high 87° (1948) Record low 32° (1968) Precipitation: Wednesday 0.00" Month to date 2.75" Normal month to date 3.83" Year to date 5.88" Normal year to date 14.47" Pollen: Grass Moderate Trees Absent Weeds Moderate Mold Low Predominant Saltbush Sources: Eddie L. Gaines, MD, of the Allergy & Asthma Clinic Alamogordo Statistics through Wednesday Temperature: High/low 101°/71° Normal high 91° Normal low 66° Record high 101° (2011) Record low 56° (1967) Precipitation: Wednesday Trace Month to date 0.33" Normal month to date 1.78" Year to date 2.17" Normal year to date 7.02" Weather Trivia: Q: What was the hottest summer ever recorded in the US? A: 1936; 16 states set all-time record highs.

Sun and Moon, Moon Phases, and Extremes sections. Includes sunrise/sunset times, moon phases for August 28-30, and national/world high/low temperatures.

Tables for National Cities and Mexican Cities weather forecasts. Columns include City, Today HI/LO/W, and Sat. HI/LO/W.



Jobless rate shows labor force decline

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Lincoln County's jobless rate for July was 5 percent, tied with Lea and Harding counties for the fifth lowest unemployment rate out of New Mexico's 33 counties.

"You're definitely moving in the right direction," said Mark Boyd, a labor economist with the state's Department of Workforce Solutions, which released the monthly labor force estimates on Thursday.

Boyd noted the number of jobless claimants in Lincoln County last month was 571, compared with 769 in July 2010. But the size of the labor force in the county declined as well, by 162 people.

"It is an interesting development which is coming from what is happening statewide," Boyd said. "We're seeing reduced unemployed but we're also seeing people dropping out of the labor force. People giving up looking for work or have decided to go back for education to get a new skill

and change occupations, found a way to get on disability. There are so many different reasons."

As a result, said Boyd, the good-sounding 5 percent rate fails to tell the whole story.

"And it means as people start to come back into the workforce the unemployment rate could come up again."

To open the year, Lincoln County had an out-of-work rate of 7.3 percent.

It fell dramatically to 6 percent for both February and March, declined further in April to 5.3 percent and moved to an almost two-year low of 4.5 percent for May.

But the rate jumped to 5.5 percent in June before posting July's 5 percent rate.

The pattern has been similar, though at higher levels, in Otero County, where the most recent jobless rate was 6.3 percent.

The labor pool in Otero County has stayed more stable than Lincoln County's almost 1.5 percent decline between July 2010 and July 2011.

Across the state, the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 6.7 percent last month, down from 6.8 percent in June and 8.5 percent a year ago.

July marked the fifth straight monthly decrease in unemployment since the state's jobless level peaked at 8.7 percent earlier this year.

A report on the jobs data noted the recent declines in New Mexico's out-of-work rate resulted from workers leaving the labor force and not an increase in employment.

Contractor wants more money for work on treatment plant

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The general contractor on Phase 1B of the regional wastewater treatment plant is contesting liquidated damages of more than \$144,000.

In a memorandum to city councilors, Ruidoso Downs Public Works Director Cleatus Richards said RMCI Inc. is balking at paying \$55,200 for being 46 days late in achieving substantial completion of the new sewage plant.

The Albuquerque-based contractor is also at odds with utility costs of \$88,805.89, and requested the charges be reduced to \$41,175.73.

Ruidoso Utilities Director Randall Camp said officials with both municipalities are united in the belief that the charges are warranted.

"They've actually done an excellent job," Camp said of RMCI. "But their contract specifically called

for liquidated damages if they missed their target date. They have some contention in there about waiting for an inspector to come out and this and that. Sorry, I'm with Cleatus, that doesn't really apply. It's just business. It's in their contract."

The date scheduled for substantial completion was May 26.

Camp noted the general contractor on Phase 1A had issues with the delayed arrival of a piece of equipment and that pushed back RMCI's start date.

"They (RMCI) came to the trough quite willingly to take money out of village's pocket and the Downs' pocket because they were delayed on the front end," Camp said. "Now we're delayed on the back end after we paid them on the front end. I think we are entitled the same reciprocity. They're expecting special dispensations when there weren't really special dis-

pensations given on the front end."

Camp noted the completion date had already been extended because of the later start of Phase 1B.

On the utility costs, Camp said the contract stated RMCI was responsible for electric bills until the time of substantial completion. After May 26, it fell to the two municipalities.

"They racked up a pretty good power bill because we couldn't really legally operate the plant because if there were any issues, we would be liable," Camp said.

Both Camp and Richards said litigation may be needed to resolve the issue. The contract spells out how the litigation process would work.

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OUR OPINION

Local officials must be able to ban fireworks

On Wednesday, we expressed concern that Gov. Susana Martinez was planning to overload the agenda for the upcoming special session, distracting from the primary task at hand — redistricting.

While our concern remains, there is one bill on the agenda we are pleased to see finally get some legislative attention. Martinez said she will seek legislation allowing state or local governments to ban fireworks in times of extreme drought, such as this past Fourth of July holiday.

We have long seen this as an issue where local officials should have the ability to decide what is in the best interest of their community, given existing conditions at the time. Forcing cities and counties to allow even restricted fireworks during times of high fire danger simply doesn't make sense.

We suspect that Gov. Martinez was frustrated last summer at her inability to respond to the many calls to her office seeking a fireworks ban. State law gives local governments the authority to restrict the types of fireworks for sale and the times and places where they can be used. But it does not allow for an outright ban, even in times when common sense dictates it is the prudent thing to do.

The bill would not ban fireworks, but would give local officials the authority

to do so during times of high fire danger, like this past summer.

Some heeded the warnings this year, but too many put both themselves and their neighbors at risk.

Fire officials responded to 16 brush fires and one dumpster fire during the 16-day period on and before the holiday. Police confiscated 103 pounds of illegal fireworks. Given the dry conditions, we were lucky the fire damage wasn't greater.

Town officials in Silver City weren't willing to rely on luck. Coming at the tail end of a brutal fire season that started in March when 13 homes in the Quail Ridge neighborhood were destroyed, the Silver City Town Council took the first step toward passage of a local ordinance that would defy state law and give the town authority to ban fireworks. Even without that law, vendors there respected the wishes of the community and pulled up stakes early.

Ruidoso also saw devastating fires during the fire season and while none were attributed to fireworks, area municipalities should be able to ban sales when conditions call for it.

We don't go as far as those who want to see an outright ban on all fireworks. But we do believe local officials need to have the ability to protect their communities in times of extreme fire danger — whether that bill is passed in the special session or in January.



Curing the Topix toxin with responsibility

I recently received an email criticizing the fact that the online edition of the Ruidoso News was moving away from Topix, a forum in which anonymous comments can be made regarding any person or any topic, regardless of truth or fairness. The email went on to say that, somehow, by dropping Topix, we are depriving, "We the People," from voicing their opinions.

It is true that we are in the process of establishing a system, most likely through facebook, so that people will have to register to comment online. We want to move away from allowing the cowardly snipes from those who are out to abuse the system with personal, irrelevant and sometimes truly hateful vendettas. We want to promote a more civil, productive discourse

For me, personally, this push to a new system in accountability has been too long in coming.

In this recent email that I mentioned earlier, a reader and user of Topix was vehemently opposed to the move, saying that the voice of "We the People" was somehow being shut out because there would be no more access to Topix from the Ruidoso News web site. This protest was made even after nearly a month had passed since I had asked the reader to present whatever concerns and issues the reader might have in the form of a letter to the editor. Of course, that letter would have to be signed with an actual name, which seems to be the sticking point. Those people who want to spew venom and personal attacks don't want to be held accountable. They crouch like cowards behind a wall of anonymity, irrelevant, wasted breath, churning up unnecessary controversy, simply to provide a reason for their paltry, pathetic existence, which makes up most of the populace of Topix.

The Internet allows people to foment conspiracy theories, rumors, innuendo, while hiding behind anonymity that Topix affords them. They claim that, somehow, if they have to own what they say, it somehow infringes on their First Amendment rights.

The Founding Fathers, of course, never envisioned the spineless attacks and gutter-mentality that takes place on most Topix sites.

John Hancock, one of the original Tea Partiers, made a point of signing his name so large on the Declaration of Independence that no one would have any doubt of his intentions. Anyone who looked at that document knew exactly where he stood. There was no "JH76." And he signed it under the threat of hanging. No one is going to hang anyone for expressing an

opinion regarding a newspaper article, and if you don't have the conviction behind an opinion that you might express that might anger your neighbors, then you should probably just keep it to yourself.

If it is such a controversial issue that you aren't willing to publicly make a stand, maybe you should check your own faith in what you say you believe in.

This person who sent me this email complained about a lack of access to Topix so she could raise issues about Lincoln Medical Center. She showed her true colors, however, when she said that the person she was targeting, with irrelevant fervor, "wasn't even born in this country."

You see, people like this email writer need Topix to make such hyperbolic statement so she can avoid accountability.

With Topix, she can make such an outrageous and stupid comment without anyone knowing who she is and other similar-minded oafs, also under the cloak of anonymity, will respond

and make her feel important. That's really the gist of Topix. Personally, I don't believe Topix should have ever been connected with any self-respecting newspaper. It was a trend that caught on and was not fully thought out until it snowballed into something that went beyond the bounds of what is respectable journalism.

Anonymity flies in the face of every tenet of journalism, save for the most dire circumstances when life or national security might be at risk.

Simply, if you know the source of information, you determine whatever agenda might be at play and journalists, or their readers, know from where to get a counter, balanced view. From a passing glance of the trash and trivial that litters most of the Topix threads, there are no reliable sources on either side because you don't really know who is saying what.

And it seems that each entry is made to feed the tiny ego of the poster in one-ups-man-ship against a perceived "other" that isn't so well defined either.

Usually these threads degenerate into personal rants against a person or persons and trickles out to bickering that has nothing to do with the original story.

This is why we push for accountability for what is said regarding what we publish. So we know who really stands up for what they believe and who might just be trying to score petty political cheap shots with friends and cronies, which is simply a waste of our ink and the time of our readership.



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THE STREETER, BY ERIK BEARER

Q: What things would you like to see in the new Lincoln County fairgrounds?



Louis Marino
Kerrville, Texas

"You'd probably want to have events for the younger generation, and food booths are always great sellers."



Ryan Lott
Ruidoso

"Motocross would be awesome, but anything that brought more tourism money to the area would be great."



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"You need events for both teenagers and adults. Live music and food vendors are both good draws."



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"When you go, most of the time you have kids with you and need to keep them entertained. A petting zoo might be nice."

Back trouble: Two former GCRMC docs buried in lawsuits

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Albuquerque Journal

Dr. Christian R. Schlicht used to inform prospective patients that he had invented a surgical procedure for chronic back pain that would turn "the clock back by decades."

The key: a cement-like substance he would inject between discs in the spine to act as a cushion and stop pain.

What he didn't mention was that the procedure was experimental, unproven and untested, and neither safe nor effective, according to dozens of personal injury lawsuits filed against Schlicht and others in state district court in Alamogordo.

One of the 47 lawsuits pending against Schlicht contends that the surgery with what is commonly known as plexiglass wasn't an approved treatment in humans and didn't work when used in experiments on pigs.

After the injections, patients were left in more pain, with more debility and, some, with paralysis or loss of bowel or bladder functions, the lawsuits allege.

Schlicht, who is 46, is alleged to have botched other back surgeries, because he wasn't qualified or properly certified to perform them.

He is an anesthesiologist but was negligently allowed to perform spine and neurosurgery at Gerald Champion Regional Medical Center in Alamogordo, where he worked from 2006 to 2008, the lawsuits allege.

Tax forms show he was one of the hospital's highest paid physicians at the time, earning up to \$450,000 a year.

In June, Schlicht wouldn't discuss his credentials or the novel spine treatment at a deposition in which 43 of the lawsuits have been consolidated for discovery.

The native of Germany invoked his Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination some 422 times and has now left the country.

Meanwhile, the non-profit Gerald Champion hospital last week filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection citing the "onslaught" of litigation.

Schlicht response

Schlicht, the hospital and their co-defendants, which include Quorum Health Resources LLC, a national hospital management company, have denied any wrongdoing. Schlicht's court filing also denied the plexiglass procedures were "experimental."

Robert Gorence of Albuquerque, who said he is Schlicht's personal attorney, took aim at the plaintiffs lawyers last week.

"Dr. Schlicht worked in a novel field with patients who had dire back problems. It is unfortunate that some Texas attorneys took steps that bankrupted the only hospital in Otero County," Gorence said.

Gorence said Schlicht is not under criminal investigation, but given some of the allegations in the lawsuit, he advised his client to invoke his constitutional rights.

"Dr. Schlicht was very unhappy that he could not tell his side of the story, but he reluctantly accepted my legal advice," said Gorence, who added that Schlicht is currently working abroad. He didn't say where, or in what capacity.

Greig Coates, an Austin lawyer and physician who

filed lawsuits for 43 defendants, responded that his firm has practiced in New Mexico for 30 years and has had an office in Las Cruces for the past decade.

"The sad truth is that the reason Gerald Champion had to declare bankruptcy last Tuesday is because they and Quorum decided to hire this anesthesiologist, purchase a bogus surgical 'board-certification' for him, and then allowed him to regularly perform spine surgery that he was not qualified to do. This horribly injured dozens of New Mexicans."

Insurance fraud

The plexiglass surgery was described as an alternative to traditional disc fusion surgery. One patient consent form called it the "least invasive way to permanently improve the patient's quality of life without having to go through major surgery."

The cement-like plexiglass would be heated, combined with an antibiotic and barium, injected into the space between compressed or compromised discs and later harden.

But the slurry ended up leaking, fracturing, disintegrating and migrating elsewhere, damaging nerve structures and bone, the lawsuits allege.

Once injected, the plexiglass is virtually impossible to completely remove from disc space.

"Many of (Schlicht's) patients have been advised by other spine surgeons that surgery to remove their (cement) is too dangerous," according to court documents.

The allegations of negligence don't end with Schlicht, who was medically trained as an osteopath and licensed by the New Mexico Board of Osteopathic Examiners in 1992.

The lawsuits accuse Gerald Champion and Quorum of allowing him to practice without proper credentials and covering up the unorthodox treatment by assigning it legitimate billing codes so health insurance companies would pay the patient's medical bill.

Schlicht and the hospital are also alleged to have eventually assigned an actual orthopedic surgeon to some of Schlicht's operations, at least it appeared so on paper, so insurance companies wouldn't challenge the billing.

That's what happened in 2007, when Molina Healthcare refused to pay one woman's \$39,000 back surgery bill. After Molina apparently looked into Schlicht's qualifications as a surgeon and balked, Gerald Champion said it was suspending Schlicht, one lawsuit states.

But court records show

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that Schlicht worked there for at least another year, a time period in which many of the patients who are suing him received the plexiglass injections.

An Alamogordo orthopedic surgeon, Dr. Frank Bryant, who at one time partnered with Schlicht, is also a defendant in the case. Bryant has said he, too, was under the assumption that Schlicht was a qualified neurosurgeon, the lawsuit states.

Schlicht left Alamogordo in late 2008 and moved his practice to Colorado. A February 2010 advertisement in one northern Colorado newspaper touted him as a "totally unique physician."

In June 2010, as many of the lawsuits started to be filed, someone identified as Christian Schlicht, D.O., ran a classified on an Internet healthcare jobs site seeking an "international position" where he could combine his training in "Interventional Spine Pain Management, and Spinal Surgery."

Attorney Neil R. Blake of Albuquerque is representing Schlicht in the civil lawsuits. He had no comment for this story, and said his client wouldn't comment either.

Schlicht did tell lawyers at his June 27 deposition in Albuquerque that he was about to be employed by the "United States Department of Defense."

Court records show Schlicht contended he was a former F-15 fighter pilot, who served in the New Mexico National Guard until 2003. The Congressional Record shows a person by his same name was nominated as a lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Air Force last March.

Schlicht wouldn't say during his deposition whether his future employer knew about the lawsuits. Nor would he say whether he will provide medical care at a German base related to his work at the DOD.

Patient claims

Those who have sued include a middle school coach, a mechanic, a restaurant owner, a former police officer, and an Alamogordo civic leader. Their ages span from about 40 to 80.

Now they contend they've suffered perma-

nent injury and are in constant pain since the surgeries. They rely on narcotic medication or other pain-relieving remedies, their lawsuits state.

Schlicht, on a now-defunct Internet website, contended he performed the spine procedure on over 300 patients, with excellent outcomes, the lawsuits allege.

He allegedly told some patients he himself had undergone the plexiglass procedure with excellent results.

Other patients recalled Schlicht saying he would have had the procedure except "he was the only one in the world who could perform it," the lawsuits say.

Several patients were told he began doing the surgery at the Albuquerque Veterans Administration hospital, where he worked prior to Gerald Champion.

One patient consent form filed with his deposition stated he invented the cement injection procedure for degenerative discs in 2004. His resume shows he was employed at the time at the VA hospital.

A copy of Schlicht's application for medical staff membership and privileges at Gerald Champion shows he received a medical degree from the Des Moines University Osteopathic Medical Center in 1991, did his residency at the University of New Mexico School of Medicine from 1992 to 1995 and, after an out-of-state pain medicine fellowship, he worked at the VA in Albuquerque from 1997 to 2006.

An April 2006 letter sent to Gerald Champion by a private physician recruitment firm stated that Schlicht was the chief of minimally invasive spine surgery at the VA in Albuquerque.

"He has decided to leave the VA because he knows that he can triple his income in civilian practice," states the letter.

The 2006 letter to Gerald Champion mentioned that Schlicht had developed and patented a new alternative treatment for disc fusion.

VA officials in Albuquerque refused to answer any questions about Schlicht's tenure at the hospital or even confirm he worked there and instead required a reporter to file a Freedom of Information Request. So far, no answers have been furnished.

Mother lode

More than a year after he joined Gerald Champion, Schlicht and

his sometimes surgery partner, Bryant, were planning to team up to market the plexiglass injection procedure, according to emails filed with Schlicht's deposition.

"Chris and I hit the mother lode in surgery this AM.," Bryant wrote in a Dec. 3, 2007, email. "We found the right combination of tools and steps to accomplish what we are absolutely certain no one else has done before."

"I have been a little cautious to date, but after this AM's surgeries, there is no longer doubt. I am ready to grab what I think may be the brass ring," Bryant wrote.

The primary substance in the injections, polymethylmethacrylate, or PMMA, is approved by the Federal Drug Administration for use in treating painful compression fractures, but not as a filler for heightening the space between the discs of the spine, the lawsuits say.

The substance breaks down when subjected to loads and repetitive stress, which are inevitable with upright posture, the lawsuits state.

The lawsuits allege that Schlicht approached one PMMA device manufacturer to gauge its level of interest in patenting, developing and marketing the surgery, but was rejected and "informed to immediately stop his misuse of the material."

A federal lawsuit filed by Albuquerque attorney Lisa Curtis alleges that the two doctors were having devices machined locally to use for injecting the plexiglass mix-

ture into patients.

It also alleges that Gerald Champion knew the two were using "homemade machined pieces in surgery on the Hospital's patients."

Medical training

One key issue in the litigation is Schlicht's medical training.

Schlicht "is not and never has been a neurosurgeon, a spine surgeon, a back surgeon, an orthopedic surgeon or any kind of surgeon at all," the lawsuits state, although he said he was trained in Germany.

Schlicht, in a prior lawsuit, said he observed about 30 neurological surgeries when he would return to Germany on vacation. He would watch the operations on television or from an observation area open to anyone.

Gerald Champion, in court records, denied that Schlicht had no surgical training.

The hospital in 2007 paid \$1,200 for Schlicht's renewal dues from the Royal College of Physicians & Surgeons USA. A certification letter was signed by the group's executive director, who was convicted in the mid-1980s of mail fraud for selling board certifications in tropical medicine, Coates, the plaintiffs' lawyer, said during Schlicht's deposition.

In March, the Illinois-based American Osteopathic Association sued to stop Schlicht from making representations that he was certified through the American Osteopathic Board of Neurological Surgery, which doesn't exist.

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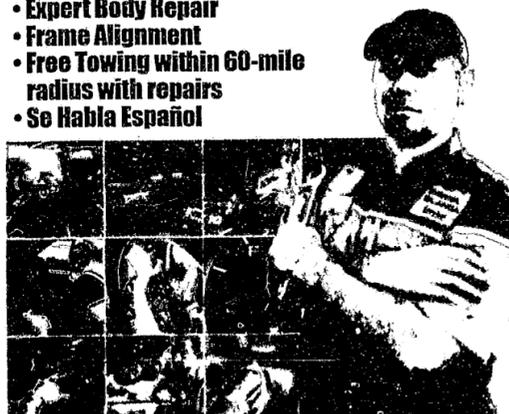
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El Capitan 'seeks capital Jones heads branch

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El Capitan Precious Metals will look to raise capital. The mineral exploration company with a claim in the Capitan Mountains reported earlier this month that they will provide results of core testing to an investment banker. One of the results would show the more than 140-million ton deposit contains about 1.2 ounces of gold per ton.

El Capitan said it recently confirmed its ore values by having a refining company process core samples. The laboratory used 200 pounds of ten-to-one

concentrate and produced 41.5 ounces of silver and 0.19 of an ounce of gold. The 0.19 of an ounce of gold matches the approximately 1.2 ounces per ton of ore, the company said.

El Capitan said it believed the cost of mining the precious metals will be within the industry average common to open pit mines.

In a press release, the exploration company said there has been adequate sampling to create a "high degree of confidence of the grade, tonnage, shape, densities, physical characteristics and mineral content."

The company plans to next work to detail miner-

als other than gold and silver.

"The values already documented represent such significant value that management believes further delay would not be in our stakeholders' interests," the report stated.

The Capitan Mountains claim is about 2,000 acres in size.

The late-stage exploration to early-stage mine development firm believes the site represents one of the largest undeveloped, surface mineable precious metals deposits in the continental United States.

El Capitan would need state and Lincoln National Forest permits to continue.

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Opened in July, Ruidoso Credit Union has a branch manager. Billy Jones, known to many in the Ruidoso area, was hired two weeks ago. He said he is excited to be part of a smaller operation after having worked at one of the national banking giants.

"Big banks have gotten almost out of control in terms of overtaxing people, in terms of lines out the door to get service," Jones said. "You get an 800 number, you don't get to talk to anyone when you've got a problem. It seems like there's always problems. And a credit union is much more of a small-town feel bank where you know the people you're banking with. If you have a problem you talk to a person."

Jones added being a member of Ruidoso Credit Union has advantages.

"Unlike a bank, we don't report to shareholders so there's not the push to make a 10 percent profit every year. We're really here just for the people in



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Billy Jones has been hired as the branch manager of the new Ruidoso Credit Union office at 26144 U.S. Highway 70.

Hospital promotes two

FROM REPORTS

Two Lincoln County Medical Center employees have been promoted to lead the departments they work in.

Sara Proctor, RN, was selected to be the manager of the hospital's Intensive Care Unit.

Amanda Marquez, a radiology technologist, was chosen to head the Radiology Department.

Proctor joined the hospital as an ICU nurse in May 2004.

Over the past year she was the interim manager of the unit.

"Since Sara's arrival, she has been willing to do whatever is necessary to support the department as well as LCMC," said Patsy Parker, the director of Patient Care Services. "Sara's leadership is exhibited whether she is working a clinical shift or fulfilling her management responsibilities."

Marquez moved to the Ruidoso area when she joined the hospital 21 years ago



Lincoln County Medical Center registered nurse Sara Proctor has been promoted to the manager of the hospital's Intensive Care Unit.



Radiology technologist Amanda Marquez is promoted to the manager of the Radiology Department at the Lincoln County Medical Center in Ruidoso.

this month as a radiology technologist. She graduated from Eastern New Mexico University with a degree in applied sciences last year. She is a veteran of Desert Storm.

"Amanda has always been personally and professionally motivated to excel at whatever she does and is dedicated to LCMC," Parker said. "She provides the department with direction and focus while constantly exhibiting a smile on her face."

Amanda has been the interim manager of the Radiology Department since April.

Gas prices take slight dip

FROM REPORTS

With the Labor Day holiday weekend approaching, gasoline prices in the Ruidoso area have come down slightly.

Most stations have regular gas posted at between \$3.58 and \$3.65 per gallon. The price had topped \$4 at some local stations in late April.

Statewide, the AAA's fuel gauge on Thursday put

the statewide average price for regular gasoline at \$3.49, up one-cent from a week earlier. A month ago the New Mexico average was \$3.57 per gallon. One year ago it was \$2.79.

In the state's three largest cities, Albuquerque's average pump price is \$3.39, though some stations are selling gas at \$3.25. The average in Santa Fe is \$3.47 and \$3.48 in Las Cruces.

The reduced petrol prices arrived as the cost of

crude oil has diminished, especially over the past two months, according to the U.S. Energy Information Administration.

The agency reported Wednesday that crude prices declined almost \$2.50 per barrel in a week and have tumbled more than 25 percent since reaching a 2011 high of almost \$114 in April. The near end of the summer driving season, and reduced demand, typically triggers lower gas prices.

Job resume class scheduled

A two-hour workshop in Ruidoso will provide job seekers with tips for preparing a clear, effective resume.

Created by the New Mexico Workforce Connection in Ruidoso, the free class will be held Tuesday, Aug. 30, from noon to 2 p.m. in the Workforce

Connection's Ruidoso Computer Lab at 203 White Mountain Drive.

The first hour of the workshop will be a presentation. During the second half, participants can get feedback on their resumes and can plan on leaving the session with an updated resume to assist them in

their job search.

Held the last Tuesday of each month, the class is part of the fall 2011 ENMU-Ruidoso/New Mexico Workforce Connection free Job Seeker Workshop Series.

To register, contact Rachel at 575-258-1730. - From reports

Carrizozo must be the place

A motion picture partially shot in the Carrizozo area is scheduled to be released in December.

"This Must be the Place" stopped in Lincoln County for one-day last October.

The movie features actor Sean Penn. It is the story of Cheyenne, a wealthy former rock star played Penn who becomes bored and jaded in his retirement in Dublin and travels to New

York in the hope of being reconciled with his estranged father during his final hours. He arrives too late and after 30 years, it is only with his father's death, he learns the true extent of his father's humiliation in Auschwitz at the hands of former SS Officer Aloise Lange.

Lange is hiding in the U.S. and so begins the life-altering journey across

America to track down and confront Lange.

As his quest unfolds, Cheyenne is reawakened by the people he encounters and his journey is transformed into one of reconciliation and self discovery. As his date with destiny arrives and he tracks down Lange, Cheyenne must finally decide if it is redemption he seeks or revenge.

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Alternatives

To head off more dumping of horses, Hanson received permission to post flyers around the track offering owners another option for unwanted horses that, after an evaluation, she thinks could be rehabilitated and trained for a second life. A bill of sale must be rendered with the horse. Meanwhile, she applied for a license as an equine retirement center, which under the state still is classified as a rescue. This won't be her first effort at a horse rescue. Before moving to Lincoln County, Hanson was affiliated in Washington state with People Helping Horses, a rescue and rehabilitation organization.

"This goes on all over the United States," Hanson said. "Horse traders in California have a semi-tractor trailer load once a week (of unwanted horses) or owners turn them loose in the road. I was in Curry County last weekend and was told by several people horses were being turned loose on the roadways there, too."

Lincoln County's history is tightly bound to agriculture and livestock, and part of that industry is to be a responsible horse owner, she said.

"Even though the problem is nationwide, I feel that the residents of Lincoln County should bear some responsibility," Hanson said. "After all, we are entertained by the race-track, we tend our ranches with horses, tourists pay to trail ride in our beautiful mountains, and many of us live here so we can enjoy our horses 24/7."

The cost

Robert "Bobby" D. Pierce, deputy director of the New Mexico Livestock Board in Albuquerque, said Wednesday that the problem is getting worse because of the prolonged drought that drove up the cost of feed.

"That's always been an issue with these animals who need care," he said. "It's a large expense to euthanize them, so turning them out where the owners think they will be safe is a problem and a growing one. We don't have any numbers on it, but I do believe they are doing it more on reservation and forest land."

Pierce said he's heard from other rescue groups that their donations are down.

"It's a costly venture," he said of Hanson's effort. "Her heart is in the right place but she's taking on a huge job."



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Jessie Hanson, left, of Broken Heart Stable examined R Special Angel as a possible candidate for rehabilitation and retraining. Trainer Jackie Riddle contacted Hanson about the horse that has chips in his right knee and must retire from racing.

As for the prospects of domesticated horses surviving in the wild after becoming accustomed to regular supplies of feed and water, Pierce said some wouldn't be able to adjust. Many already are sick or lame when released and the solution is not just to turn them out.

President Mark Chino of the Mescalero Apache Tribe could not be reached for comment about the impact on tribal land, however, George Douds with the Smokey Bear Ranger District of the Lincoln National Forest said the Service isn't seeing a big problem with horses released on federal land.

"It's something we are aware of and could increase as the economy turns down," he said. "But in the three years I've been here, we haven't noticed a big increase."

Water would be a problem for any abandoned horses because the dirt tanks set up for wildlife won't hold water long and they would be competing with more savvy native wildlife for the resource, Douds said.

Sales

But most owners will take their animals to sale, where they can yield a price per pound, he said. That option opens a whole new and separate debate about the process of slaughtering horses that often are in good condition.

Of those who release their animals, Douds said, "It might be a pleasure horse and they no longer want to feed it, so they let it loose and hope to get it back at some point. If it becomes a problem, the livestock board has jurisdiction over estrays and once they gathered the horse, it should be tattooed and there should be some information on the current or previous owner."

If the horse was found on Forest Service land, the owner would be notified, but no action most likely would be taken, Douds said. "We'd ask him to keep the horse off our land, unless it becomes a habitual problem."

The next offense would result in a letter being sent to the owner and if he still

was unresponsive, the owner would be ticketed for livestock trespass and end up in front of a federal judge, Douds said. He added that some livestock is authorized to graze on forestland.

Isolated incidents

Don Hatfield, a Livestock Board public information officer and livestock inspector for the county, said only a few horse owners are offenders and he doesn't want to condemn an industry like racing for those few. He also noted that just because a horse goes to the sale barn doesn't mean it is headed to slaughter.

"Of the ones I've done, none went to slaughter," he said. "They were bought for horses for someone's grandchildren."

He emphasized that inspectors are not the equivalent of dogcatchers. "We're state law enforcement," he said, "who check on brands and ownership and the health of animals and their living conditions."

Sam Wilson, Livestock Board area supervisor and public information officer, said the situation is nothing new for Lincoln County or New Mexico, it's nationwide.

"They put a ban on funding for horse slaughter and there is no place to go with an old horse anymore," he said. "In the past, they were euthanized and sent to Europe, where horse meat is a source of protein and still is eaten."

"When we come across an estray, we follow state statutes on how we deal with it. If we can't identify the owner, it is processed like a cow. We can't give the horse away. It goes to sale, not necessarily auction. It can be sold as long as there are bidders. If the owner lost the horse accidentally, they can at least recoup the proceeds from the sale."

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Hanson said she's trying

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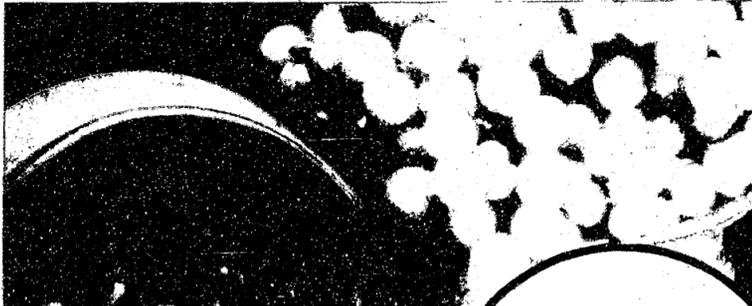
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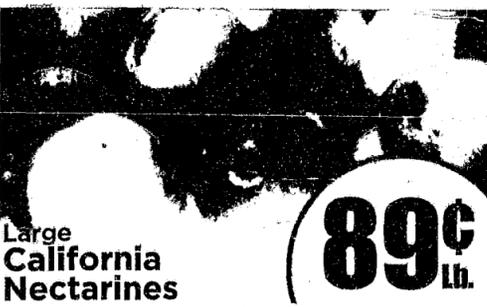
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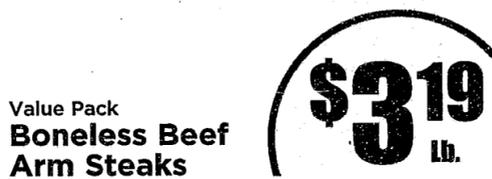
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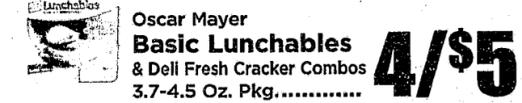
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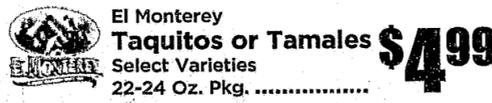
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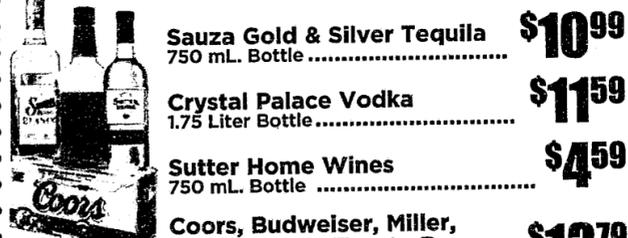
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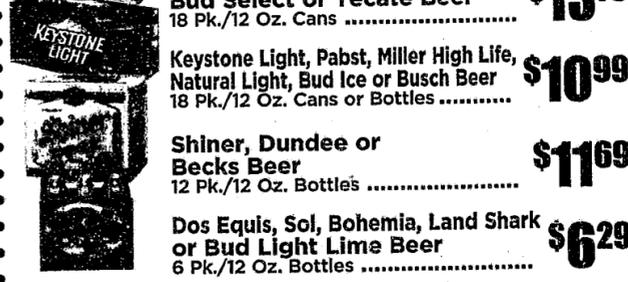
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HEALTH & LIFESTYLE

Karina Leven: Born to motivate

At some point, we all need a motivator. Whether it's getting through school, staying in shape, making good nutritional choices, sticking with an exercise program, or handling stress, we can all use an encouraging word and someone telling us that we can succeed. Karina Leven is such a person—a positive, compassionate encourager, who has devoted her life to improving the lives of others.

A native of El Paso, even now divides her time between Ruidoso and Roswell. She and her husband, Bryan, both work in Roswell during the week but spend weekends at

their Ruidoso home. Bryan works at the Desert Sun Auto Group, while Karina teaches at University High School, an alternative school for at-risk students: pregnant teens and students with behavioral, drug, and truancy issues.

Leven recognizes her current high school position as a life-changing challenge.

"Working with at-risk students requires supreme patience and compassion.

These students need someone strong enough to withstand their put-downs while sensitive enough to encourage them every day not to give up," Leven said.

When working with these students, Leven uses her own life as an

example. "It was not easy growing up, but I learned to set goals and not to give up. I tell my students: 'I did it and you can do it too.'"

Though still a very young woman, Leven has completed a bachelor's degree in Health Science and a master's in Health Promotion and Health Education. Her life-long goal is to teach full time at the college level, and, by all indications, she is on the right path. She has worked as a health education specialist, an instructor teaching health promotion courses at UTEP, an instructor for Adult Basic Education teaching ESL and GED at ENMU Ruidoso, and as Professional Development coordinator for the ENMU Roswell GEAR UP Program.

And why did she choose the health education field? Well, of course: "Nowadays there are so many health issues. I want to help people to have better lives and to make better choices."

If you're getting the picture that Leven is one of those rare individuals entirely devoted to improving people's lives, you're coming to the same conclusion I did. So who better to teach ENMU Ruidoso's first online Health Education course?

This fall, Leven will be teaching HPE142, an eight-week course called Fundamentals of Physical Well Being. The course is designed to help students learn about health-enhancing behaviors and to



COURTESY

Bryan and Karina Leven both work in Roswell, but always come home to Ruidoso.

improve their lives in the areas of nutrition, exercise, sleep, weight management, cardiovascular health, and stress management.

At the beginning of the course, students will design a "Health Behavior Change Contract" which will document their intentions and strategies for improving their health. For example, Leven explains, students might agree to eat dinner earlier and not eat anything after 10 p.m.

"My job will be to guide their learning and to encourage them to stick with their contracts. By

being flexible, open-minded, and a good listener, I believe I can motivate them to fulfill their goals of health improvement."

Leven stresses that health needs to be everyone's Number One Goal. "Without health, what chance do you have of achieving your other goals?"

For more information about this and other courses at ENMU Ruidoso this fall, contact the college at (575) 257-2120, or drop by 709 Mechem. The fall semester started on Aug. 24 but registration continues through Aug. 30.

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CHUCK'S PICK OF THE WEEK

The town of Olathe used to grow sugar beets and barley, but by the late 1970's those crops weren't in much demand anymore. The town fell on hard times, then a farmer named Dave Galinet who developed several varieties of sweet corn and moved his business to Olathe. Soon after that farmers started growing sweet corn too and before long the town was prosperous again. Olathe decided to celebrate the fact that it was thriving, what better way than to have a sweet corn festival. The first festival was on a rainy day in August 1992. And guess what? More than 800 people showed up. Nowadays about 20,000 come to the festival. In 1999 participants ate 70,000 ears of corn donated by the farmers.

Honey-Chipotle Grilled Corn

Ingredients (Serves 8):

- 2 Canned Chipotle chilies in Adobo Sauce.
- 1/2 cup butter, melted
- 1/3 cup, Clover Honey
- 1 garlic clove minced
- 1/2 T spoon Salt
- 8 Ears of Sweet Corn in Husk

Directions:

Heat grill to med-hot, combine chilies, butter, honey, garlic, and salt in blender and whip until smooth. Place corn on grill and cook turning occasionally for about 15min, husks will blacken. Remove the husks and brush corn generously with butter mixture and return to grill. Grill until lightly browned about 5min, serve warm with remaining butter. I would like to thank one of my customers for this wonderful receipt.



RELAY FOR LIFE

Smoking & Cancer

August 2011 Cancer Ed Bulletin

Almost 90% of current adult smokers became addicted before age 18

About 1 million children have asthma in the US, all of which are easily affected by smoking

3,000 deaths from lung cancer are caused by SECONDHAND smoke

College graduate are less likely to be smokers

Prevention Tip: DONT SMOKE!

Relay For Life brings together millions of people to raise money to help prevent cancer, save lives, and diminish suffering from the disease

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Join the Ruidoso News FaceBook page and look for the Pizza Hut Post and Save BIG this weekend!



Humane Society still seeking dog-walkers



ERIK BEARER/RUIDOSO NEWS
Tristan enjoys some time outside with Nicholas Giusti, who previously adopted a dog from the shelter. Tristan has been at the shelter since May, and is a sponsored adoption with half of his adoption fee already paid. **The Lincoln County Humane Society** is in need of dog-walkers and cat-cuddlers, said Trish Watson, an employee of the charity organization. Anyone wishing to donate time to the animals may visit the Humane Society and complete an application to volunteer. Afterwards, volunteers may take the dogs out on trails near the Humane Society or visit with the cats and kittens in an enclosed area just outside the shelter, Watson said.



Shelter news

August is proving to be a very good month for adoptions at the Humane Society Shelter. With one week to go in the month, we have been able to adopt out 32 cats and 23 dogs. We have also returned 31 animals to their owners. Lincoln County is, indeed, a pet-friendly environment. One of the Humane Society members, who chooses not to be mentioned by name, took it upon himself to affect some improvements at our shelter. In the office area, he removed a wall and some old restroom fixtures that were no longer being used, giving the staff more useful office space. Outside, between the shelter building and the spay and neuter center, he erected a new fence



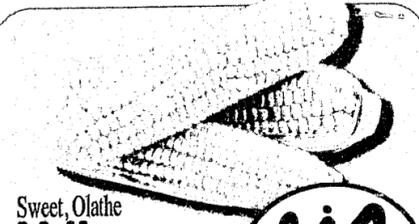
London is a spunky Lab mix. She is about 3 years old, has a great, expressive face and interesting eyes with blue flecks in them. London walks very well on a leash and is very friendly. Anyone interested in adopting this little gal should call the shelter at (575) 802-1522.

and spread gravel for a new meet and greet area. He also installed a new bench for visitors' comfort. We still need cat toys and scratching posts to replace those lost during last month's flood. The shelter is still running a special on cats and kittens, with an adoption fee of \$10.



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REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS AND PROPOSALS FOR GOVERNMENT AUDITING SERVICES

The Mescalero Apache Housing Authority (MAHA) is requesting Proposals for Government Auditing Services under OMB A-133 for Fiscal year ending March 31, 2011. CPA firms must submit the following information to be considered:

- Government Single Audit experience
- Governmental and Fund Accounting auditing experience and expertise
- GASB 34 experience
- Quality peer-review letter
- Resumes of staff who will be in charge of, and working on the audit
- Estimated audit costs for fiscal year 2010, 2011, and 2012 as well as staff rate schedule
- CPA State license number for partners and staff
- Past successful performance and experience providing services to Indian Housing Authorities

The auditors will be required to issue the final audit report no later than December 16, 2011. Compliance reporting utilizing GASB34 standards will be required.

For further information and to receive the complete RFP, contact Althea Palmer, CFO at (575) 464-9236.

Proposals will be sent to Mescalero Apache Housing Authority, Attention: Althea Palmer, P.O. Box 227, Mescalero, NM 88340. Proposals must be clearly marked "Auditing Proposal, DO NOT OPEN." Proposals will be accepted until close of business on September 9, 2011.

This bid solicitation will be opened to all qualified bidder. Fifteen points preference will be given to qualified Indian-owned businesses. The MAHA reserves the right to reject any and all bids or to accept the bid deemed in the best interest of MAHA.

SEARCH

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meeting. "As we interview each candidate, we can see the range of pay. We can ask what's your bottom line."

Commission Chairman Eileen Sedillo said she wanted a comparison from other counties just to have an idea of what county managers are being paid in New Mexico.

"You won't get one as cheap as me at \$40,000 when I was hired 13 years ago," Stewart said. He currently earns \$110,000 annually.

According to a chart put together by Stewart, the highest paid county manager is in Sandoval County at \$120,000 and the lowest in Colfax County at \$70,948.

As for hiring an independent firm to perform background checks, Stewart said he's glad Commissioner Mark Doth raised the issue.

"The turn-around on a report is three days, maybe a little longer to verify educational credentials," he said. "They go back seven years."

Because all five commissioners were interested in serving on the search committee, a member of the

"Life is not all about money. Some of the best people do not put that first."

Jackie Powell
Lincoln County Commissioner

audience drew two names, and Sedillo and Commissioner Tom Battin were selected, with Commissioner Kathryn Minter as an alternate, if Battin is not available.

Commissioner Jackie Powell suggested that the arrangement of having the county manager's office near the entrance to the commission portion of the

county courthouse in Carrizozo should be changed, or an outside desk for an administrative assistant could be enclosed to create a barrier.

"I thought about that too," Sedillo said.

Stewart said he likes being able to sit at his computer and see everyone who walks into the lobby, but he acknowledged Tuesday that, "I don't know of any other county where you can walk through the door and the first person you see is the top guy."

The last time he had a true administrative assistant was in 1999, he said, although he acknowledged

that the new manager will have a heavy load and commissioners could look at creating a deputy manager or administrative assistant position. Stewart told Sedillo he has some office partitions not being used that could create a separation from the public.

"I lived through the 1980s when there was the oil crunch," Powell said. "We lost a lot of CEOs (chief executive officers). I'm not totally sold we can't have two (manager and deputy manager) within the budget we have already because this is the best place in the world to live."

"Life is not all about money. Some of the best

people do not put that first."

A lower bottom line does not necessarily mean lower quality people, she said. "A lot of people are having a hard time making their house mortgages, I don't judge by what they have made in the past. I think we can stay within \$110,000 and have two people of very high quality," she said.

Stewart said he's encouraged by the quality of applications he's receiving, but was dismayed that no local candidates had applied. Commissioners have enough time to decide whether to hire a second person, he said.

CART

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that," Lee said. "And he's gotten their written authorization that he can be affiliated with them."

The affiliation was "in name only," Hail said.

Lee said the village Tuesday asked its legal counsel for an opinion about the entire matter.

"Because it's just so con-

tentious a lot of people are weighing in on it."

Lee said another meeting will be sought with Hail.

"He doesn't want to give up his business registration," she said. "He actually wants to put them in a variety of places and he just simply can't."

Hail said he did have a vision.

"I'm glad to stay in business. In fact, I hope to expand the business over the next year."

How the expansion would occur was unclear right now, Hail said.

"But we're working on it. That's down the road a little bit."

Lee cautioned about thinking about the tourist shopping district of Midtown because itinerant vendors are specifically prohibited.

But another section of the village ordinances disallows itinerant merchants anywhere, while other parts of the code spell out the proce-

dures and limitations for outdoor sales. Yet another section allows itinerant vendors can be part of a special event held on village property.

"We've added all these different languages to these various codes," Lee said. "We've tried to work with the Midtown merchants because they were the ones that really disliked in that center-piece where those itinerant vendors were setting up."

Locations for a second hot

dog wagon in the Ruidoso area, and where it could be allowed, were being investigated, Hail said.

Lee said it may be time to sit down again and look at the issue. In the meantime, the village manager said a clear outline of what is permitted and what is not is needed.

"I want to come up with a kind of single page, or double-sided page, that shows the major points because I think people are confused,"

Lee said. "And some of them I think are not confused, they just don't want to adhere to the ordinance."

Big D's Hotdogs' possible expansion would use a second cart and require a couple of employees. Hail said he was hoping to help the local economy by hiring people.

"Business is picking up everyday so I'm not at all unhappy with this. The college is open and I'm starting to get some of those kids. We're real happy."

MOVIE

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tribal council member and vice president of the Mescalero tribe, consulted on language and wardrobe, and, "Oddly enough, they listened to what we said. They had some (latitude), but they went with much of it."

No one ever really suggested he try out for a part, Enjady said. But Raoul Trujillo, the actor playing the Apache leader Black Knife, wanted Enjady by his side, because he was speaking Apache

and they could practice up until the camera rolled.

That portion of the movie was filmed in Santa Fe and Abiquiu. The other part was shot at Universal Studios in Los Angeles, where Enjady worked around lead actors Daniel Craig, Harrison Ford and Olivia Wilde.

Enjady arrived ready to consult and ended up appearing as a medicine man when the person cast for the role failed to show.

"I give Daniel Craig's character, Jake Lonergan, his memory back," Enjady said. "It's a cool scene."

But it wasn't a speaking role.

Enjady said he wasn't allowed to speak because of the union membership requirement, even when they did a voice over of the character.

"But I ended up on screen more than a few times," he said. "It was pretty good."

The experience sparked his interest in bringing more films not just to New Mexico, but to the Otero County-Mescalero-Lincoln County area, Enjady said.

"The important thing about all this is I started to notice things, the way the community of Mescalero turned out for casting. The interest is there," he said. "A

lot of people came. It may take Ruidoso, Mescalero, Alamogordo, and the counties of Otero and Lincoln resources combined. There needs to be a collaborative effort to bring some films here.

"The tribe, the counties and the towns, we can work together as a partnership on top of what (incentives) New Mexico gives them. We can offer something extra."

The whole experience with "Cowboys and Aliens" was "a weird operation," the 59-year-old Enjady said. "It's not just 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. When they said it is a night shoot, we danced all night, over and over and over again. It was

cut, cut, reset camera, cut. I don't know how I did it, but I did it."

On the Internet, Enjady's name appears as an Apache dancer on the cast credits.

"Overall, I considered it was fun," he said. "Something different, a different opportunity for an artist who usually paints to have a chance to experience other media."

"I put my name forward for 'Silver Bullet,' the one supposed to film in Silver City with Johnny Depp that they dropped, but I heard it might still be a go," he said. "I'm staying in touch with casting."



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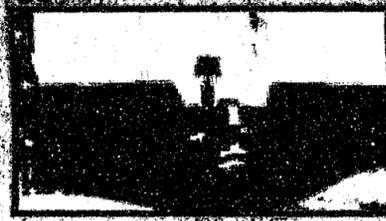
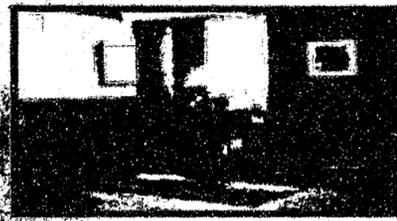
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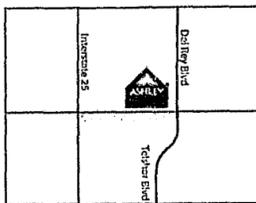


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RUIDOSO POLICE BRIEFS

Ruidoso Police blotter Aug. 20

Aug. 12

10:29 p.m. - Officer Tillman Freeman responded to a report of a fight in the 700 block of Mechem Drive.
 Freeman reports two women were sitting in a car talking, started arguing and then began fighting.
 Freeman issued non-traffic citation for battery to Nancy Nores, 18, and Chelsey Goodfellow, 18, both of San Patricio.

Aug 16

11:36 a.m. - Officers Josh Snodgrass and David Gallegos responded to the 200 block of Upper Terrace for a report of a violent domestic in progress.
 Gallegos determined Manuel Rodriguez, 23, to be the aggressor and arrested Rodriguez for battery on a household member.
 Gallegos had Rodriguez booked and transported to LCDC.

Aug. 18

3:27 p.m. - Officer James Urban responded to White Mountain Sports Complex for a report of stolen equipment.
 The University of New Mexico Athletic Director met Urban and reported someone had stolen several pieces of athletic training equipment, supplies and about 45 footballs in athletic bags from an unsecured trailer and a tent at the UNM football team training facility.

8:19 a.m. - Officer Josh Snodgrass responded to the 300 block of Sudderth for a report of suspicious activity.
 Snodgrass reported an employee found tools and a drop cloth under one of the vehicles. Someone had apparently tried to steal the steering gear from a vehicle. Two bolts had been removed and a crowbar was still lodged in the gear underneath the vehicle when Snodgrass arrived.
 Snodgrass gathered the tools, drop cloth and jack for evidence.
 2:08 p.m. - Officer Curtis Rodgers responded to the 1000 block of Mechem Drive for a report of a stolen water tank.
 The victim reported someone had removed the 4x4x5-foot, plastic water tank.
 7:13 p.m. - Sgt. Joel Martin and officers Lance Ledford and Curtis Rodgers responded to the 300 block of D Street for a report of an unwanted subject.

request to be tased. Martin reports when he was placed on the ground after being tased Kent was more compliant with commands.
 Rodgers spoke to the residents of the home Kent was trying to enter and was reportedly told Kent was trying to get in to see a woman who did not want to see him.

Martin reportedly told Kent to leave and not return.
 At 8:01 p.m. the officers were dispatched back to the residence by a report Kent was again trying to crawl through the window.
 Martin arrested Kent for criminal trespass.

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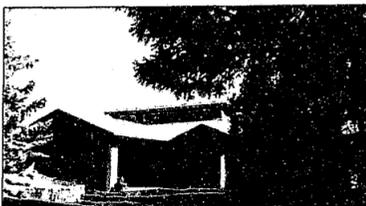
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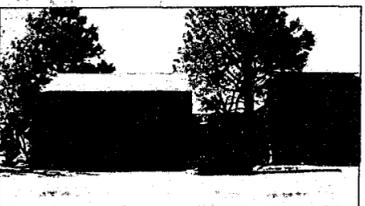
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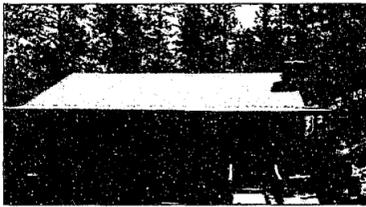
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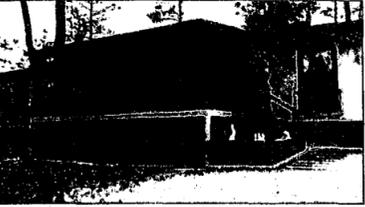
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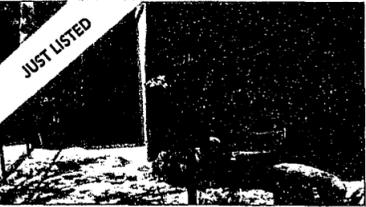
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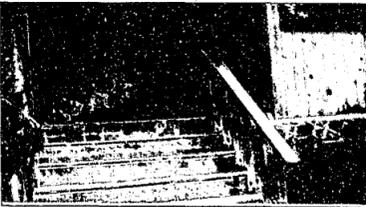
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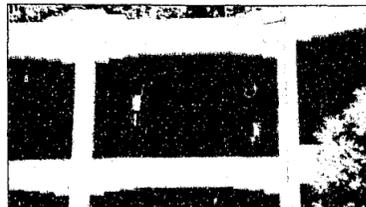
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2011 Pigskin area preview

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High school football begins this week for all five local teams — Ruidoso, Capitan, Mescalero, Carrizozo and Hondo.

As in every season, the faces change, and this year is no different. Many of the schools have concentrated on weight training in the off-season and expect positive benefits to pay dividends on the field of battle.

One of the biggest changes to occur is Carrizozo, which has gone from 11-man football to 8-man. This should prove to be advantageous to them down the road when they get the hang of it.

Ruidoso

D4-3A RHS will have seven seniors returning to the varsity team. If the other 28 players on the roster are looking for leadership it will have to be there.

Head coach Kief Johnson started a concentrated weight-room program last year with coach Rel in charge.

"This has to be one of the hardest working-off-season efforts we've had since I've been here," Johnson said. "Coach Rel has done a great job getting our kids strong for the 2011 season. We've significantly increased our strength and speed."

Six-foot four-inch, 270-pound senior Warren

McCracken will anchor the offensive line.

"We will run a lot of plays behind him," Johnson said.

As for running backs, senior Kalama Davis has great speed and is shifty. Last week, he scored a 40-yard TD run at Roswell High School.

In the receiving department, Johnson has a core of ball hawks — seniors Julian Lopez and Beto Frenandez, junior leapturist Devon Carr and freshman Parker Johnson all have speed and good hands.

For the offensive line, junior center Kaylen Chavez will be over the ball, juniors Robert Frizzell, Bruce Klinekole and sophomore Daniel Marshall will serve guard duties and senior Cameron McKinley will be one of the tackles.

Johnson said he was impressed with his defense at the Roswell scrimmage. Plan on seeing juniors Dylan Demarest, Keoni Davis, senior Armand Baca and sophomore Manny Ruiz at the linebacker positions.

Johnson also is optimistic with his big defensive tackles in the middle — senior Tanner Chavez at 264 pounds and sophomore Mathew Carr coming in at 207 pounds should give the defense a stable front duo.

Backing up the defensive front line will be

juniors Ismail LaPaz and Ryan Williams at the safety positions and seniors Kalama Davis and Tyler Coleman at the corners.

"Friday's game with Cobre will be a battle," Johnson said. "They're large up front and their running backs are big and run hard."

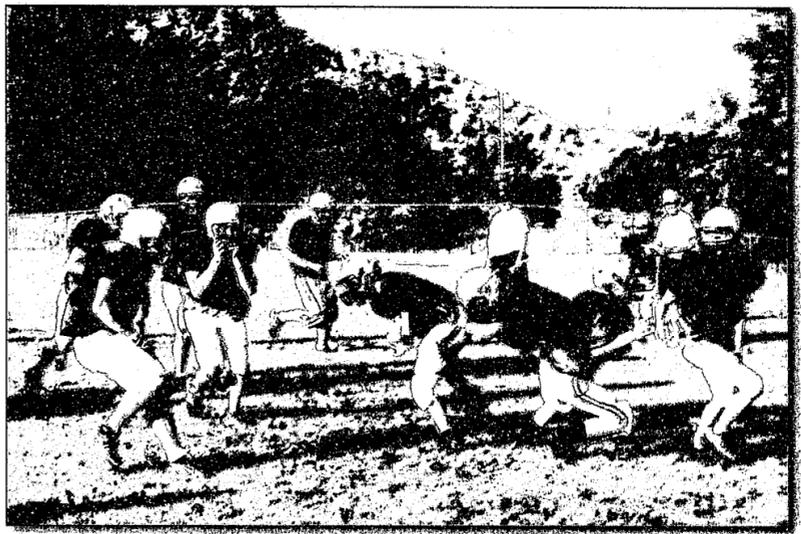
"We will have to execute well on both sides of the ball and keep mistakes and injuries to a minimum. Our defense must consistently crowd to the football if we expect to win"

If Johnson's expectations come to fruition the Warriors should be able to improve on last year's 4-7 record. Friday's game at Horton Stadium at 7 p.m. should give some indication whether or not this could happen.

Capitan

In the scheme of things, last year's 6-4 overall mark wasn't so bad. So the next question is: Can this D3-1A team build on that? If they do, they will have to count on multiple underclassmen. There are only two seniors on the 2011 squad.

Sophomore Ruben Mendoza will be at the quarterback spot; sophomore Thomas Fields will handle center and linebacker duties; junior Jacob Wilcox will be a slot-back, linebacker and backup signal caller; junior Tory Padilla will man one of the corners and wide receiver



THE RHS WARRIORS, shown here in their annual Blue/Gold scrimmage Aug. 11, will open their season Friday against Cobre at Horton Stadium at 7 p.m.

positions and junior Dreamer Whipple will be an offensive/defensive lineman.

Such seniors as Garrett Schultz at tight end and free safety and Tyler Neill at fullback and defensive lineman will be counted on heavily to lead the way.

This year the Tigers have a new head coach — Collin Justiss, fresh from Guymon, Okla.

This will be his fifth year coaching football. A young coach with a young team — it could work out in the long run.

"We've been working hard this summer and in football camp," Justiss said. "We're in it for a fight to the top. It won't be easy,

but none of the kids have indicated they're not ready for it."

Capitan has their work cut out for them when they travel to Hagerman Friday for a 7 p.m. battle.

Mescalero

This could be a good year for the Apache Chiefs. Last year they were 4-5 and that was the best Mescalero had done in a long time, if ever.

Before last year, the Chiefs were perennial pushovers in D3-1A and/or whatever district they played in — but no more.

Whoever takes this team lightly and underestimates them on the gridiron does so at their own peril. For

some, at the end of the game, "it will all be over but the crying."

"Bold words," you might say. Yeah, well, consider this: On a roster of 27 players, seven seniors will be back for action, in addition to five juniors, five sophomores and 10 freshmen. Many of them are battle-hardened.

Chief among them (no pun intended) is senior veteran quarterback Godfrey Cordova III, who, at 6-foot 3-inches, 190 pounds — and most likely still growing — will lead their attack.

Another part of the Mescalero arsenal is head

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side line

Sports On Tap

Race Track
Ruidoso Downs Race Track will have regular post times Friday through Monday at 1 p.m. Parking is always free.

Football
Friday, Aug. 26
Cobre at Ruidoso, 7 p.m.
Capitan at Hagerman, 7 p.m.
Foothill at Carrizozo, 6 p.m.
Cloudercroft at Mescalero, 7 p.m.

Volleyball
Saturday, Aug. 27
Santa Fe Indian at Ruidoso, 3 p.m.

On Deck

Bowling
Bowling leagues are now forming for the fall/winter 2011-12 season, starting Tuesday, Sept. 6. Sign up at Ruidoso Bowling Center. League secretaries will then contact you to fill vacancies on their leagues: Tuesday afternoon senior mixed, Tuesday night mixed, Wednesday night mixed, Thursday night mens. If there is enough interest, a Monday night women's and/or youth mixed. Come Bowl with us. Call RBC at 258-3557.

RHS volleyball team opens season

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Ruidoso's volleyball season started Tuesday with a match against Roswell. Roswell started their season about 20 minutes earlier than Ruidoso.

Ruidoso was down 12-2 before they scored their first point off of a serve and behind 16-7 before Lyndsey Saenz served an ace and Madigan Gonzales scored on a block and a kill, getting the Lady Warriors going.

"They had some bad habits they had developed that we are trying to get them to break," new Ruidoso head volleyball coach Marie Garcia said.

"I told them to go out there and introduce yourselves and they did good."

Ruidoso made a game of it in the second go-around, eventually losing to the

Lady Coyotes 25-20.

"We didn't play the ball very well," Roswell coach Bobby Bates said. "We got a lot of points on the serve. I think we had an edge there."

Roswell brought in a senior heavy squad, seven, to play the less experienced, three seniors, Ruidoso squad.

"They got kids moving well, they're digging well, they're moving all the time and it is hard to train kids to do that," Bates said of the Lady Warriors.

In the middle of the third game Gonzales showed what a force she can be.

With Ruidoso up 10-9 she went high to block the ball for a point, then put away two Amanda Bryant sets for kills.

A Vivian Mowdy ace gave Ruidoso a 13-10 lead and they went on to win

25-18.

"Madigan (Gonzales) has done everything we have asked her to do," Garcia said. "She has started to release that desire to only hit. There are still options for her to get better."

"She's a good kid to build around," Bates said of Gonzales. "They've got a good setter to get her the ball."

Gonzales, just a junior, will be a force to be reckoned with for teams that play the Lady Warriors.

Roswell's experience and cool heads prevailed in the final game as they cruised to a 25-16 victory to win the match 3-1.

"Our motto is 'No regrets,'" Garcia said. "We don't want it to be could've, would've, should've."

First game, bigger school for an opponent, new coach, all things the

Lady Warriors could point to as excuses for not winning. No excuses, no regrets.

"We really don't have much to be ashamed of,"

Garcia said. "Tomorrow we start to work on what it takes to get better."

The Lady Warriors host Santa Fe Indian School Saturday at 3 p.m.

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Ruidoso Downs Race Track

Royal Dream Ranch's Urbanite shoots for her third-straight win and her first stakes win when she starts in the \$50,000 Merial Ruidoso Distaff Challenge on Sunday afternoon after winning the first of two trials with the fastest-qualifying time.

First post time for the nine-race card is 1 p.m. with the 400-yard Merial Ruidoso Distaff Challenge running as the eighth race.

Urbanite has been steadily winning and moving up in class for trainer Alez Sanchez. She scored her second-straight win when she sped to a one-half length win in the first of two Merial Ruidoso

Distaff Challenge trials with a :19.848 time for the 400 yards.

In her previous start, Urbanite won a \$13,600 maiden allowance at Gillespie Fairgrounds in her previous start.

While a maiden until two starts ago, she had raced to four second-place finishes and qualified for the Sunland Winter Derby (G3).

Alonzo Rivera rides Urbanite with the second post position.

The second trial results went to the photo finish as the top-three horses were separated by a pair of noses.

Lana Merrick and Kent Jackson's Famous Mariah got the nose win in :19.905 over Full Moon Dasher and Illegal Fireworks.

The Heath Reed-

trained Famous Mariah has been on the board in eight of 12 starts and has seconds in the John Deere Will Rogers Downs Juvenile and the Miss Olene Handicap at Remington Park.

Bielau Oaks' Full Moon Dasher won three straight races for trainer John Stinebaugh before her narrow setback in her Merial Ruidoso Distaff

Challenge trial. Her winning streak was capped by a win in the Four Corners Senora Stakes against New Mexico-breds at SunRay Park.

Illegal Fireworks won the Junos Request Stakes at 12-1 odds two starts ago at Remington Park. She has six wins from 17 starts with three second-place finishes and two third-place runs.

PIGSKIN

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coach Godfrey Cordova Jr. Talk to him long enough and you will be reminded of the lines in the 1979 Talking Heads' song, "Life During Wartime" — "This ain't no party, this ain't no disco, this ain't no foolin' around."

With him, football at Mescalero is serious business. If you want to trade human-interest stories with him, forget it. It's like he's on a mission and he can see the objective in plain sight.

There's not time for trite conversation and funny little witticisms. Look in his eyes sometime and you'll get the same feeling. The fans are the ones who should have fun this season.

When asked how he thinks his team will do this year he replies, "I think we'll win some games."

When pressed for a further explanation, he cautiously answers, "Our line is young but our backfield is solid. We're faster and

bigger this year and if we can stay healthy we should do OK."

About the young line-men thing: sophomore tackle Ariel Gallerito is 250 pounds; sophomore center Kyle Yahnaki also is 250 pounds; freshman guard Dalton Hamilton is 205 pounds; sophomore tackle Robert Geronimo is another 250-pounder; tight end Calbert John is the lightest guy on the line at 190 pounds. Look in the back-field and you'll see senior fullback Sam Herrera who tips the scales at 220. Freshman tailback Raven Poncho will be running at 165 pounds and will split time with junior Tahari Kaydahzinne, at 155 pounds.

Cordova and crew have something in mind — and most assuredly — it's not to be anyone's patsy anymore. And when Cloudercroft comes to Mescalero Friday at 7 p.m. they should have their game faces on.

"The boys will have to control themselves against Cloudercroft," Cordova said. "We were too high strung in a recent scrimmage. We have a good bunch of

seniors and the younger players must play together with the older ones. They're learning to lean on each other."

Cordova is another coach who believes in the benefits of consistent workouts in the weight room.

"Our boys have been busting their butts in the weight room since the end of last year," he said. "At one time the 'house' was filled with 55 kids (including middle school students).

"The older students are leading the way and the younger ones are learning to follow. This has been the best year I've seen since I've been here. Here — in physical education or weight class — you have to earn an A — both boys and girls.

Cordova feels the weight training will benefit other Mescalero sports, also.

"This season's basketball team should be solid," he said. "We believe in these kids. They're a good bunch and they're hungry for some wins. They care about each other."

It has been said, "Revenge is a dish best served cold." If that's the case, there might be some chilly offerings to some unsuspecting adversaries this season.

Carrizozo

This could be an interesting year for the Grizzlies. This season they have moved from 11-man football to 8-man. Some pseudo-psychic or ego-dri-

ven "sports analyst" would surely tell you which way it will go, but in reality, for Carrizozo, this is uncharted territory. They could go undefeated or pay a price their first year out. Or wind up somewhere in between.

On one hand, they have moved down from 1A and should benefit from the 8-man competition. On the other side of the coin, 8-man is a different breed of cat and takes some getting used to.

Veteran head coach Pat Ventura has weathered challenges before and this season will just be one more "situation" for him. Ventura is calm and has a calculating approach to the whole scenario.

"In 8-man football you really have to be on your toes," he said. "You have five players on the line of scrimmage. You must pay attention who is eligible (to receive).

"Generally, there is more running than passing and so the defense really has to go to the ball quickly. This style of football is more like 11-man than 6-man (where you're missing only two tackles and a running back or two receivers and a running back). You can't sit back — you have to be able to open field tackle."

So, how are the Grizzlies coming along with their new 8-man football?

"The guys are getting a grasp on things," Ventura said. "They're getting much better at open field tackling. Our defense is learning to really attack the ball."

Last Saturday, Carrizozo participated in a four-way scrimmage at Menaul with Menaul, Melrose (the defending champions) and Floyd.

"After the first eight plays on defense we figured it out," Ventura said. "From then on we shut them down and only one pass was completed between the three teams we scrimmaged."

How does Ventura feel about the upcoming 2011

season?

"We will be classified as an independent this year because it is our initial season in 8-man football," he answered. "As a result, we won't be eligible for post-season play. We'll get after all of them just as though we are eligible and see what happens. Undefeated wouldn't be so bad. Look at it like it's the start of a campfire — the wood will be dry and tender and take off or it'll be wet and won't burn worth a darn."

Friday's 6 p.m. home game with Foothill may yield some clue as to how brightly Carrizozo's fire will burn.

Hondo

In 6-man football, the Hondo Eagles always are a force to be reckoned with and this year will be no different. Last season, the boys were 5-5, but that was then, this is now.

On a roster of 11 players, three seniors have returned and this could bode well for the Eagles. Their brand of football is always fun to watch — lots of action across the field with the usual high-scoring contests.

Their mantra every year is the same — win district, win the state championship. In some places, things never change.

Head Eagle coach Brandon Devine can fool people: On one hand he presents a down-home, charming, friendly, "How are you doing?" demeanor to most he comes across — a person you would really like to sit around the table with.

If you're a football adversary of his — a word of warning — don't fall for that presentation. On the field of play, with him, it's all business, it's not personal, and he and his tough bunch of boys are out to whip you, whatever it takes.

That successful ruse has worked for him nine years now and there's no reason to believe he's going to change it up any time soon. Still, in all, he is pleas-

ant to talk to — but therein could be the fatal trap.

Looking for a different take on things this season he is asked, "Do you have new objectives for the 2011 season?"

"Yes," he replies. "We set our goals for this year — first win district, then take the 6-man title."

It's a new year for the Eagles, and so, that must mean it's different than all the other years.

"This is the first summer we've lifted weights," he adds. "That's going to help us. As always, we have a tough schedule but I think we can go as far as we want to."

"We play Roy (who lost in the state semi-finals), Clovis Christian (state champions) and Lake Arthur (state runners-up)."

Two of the Eagles the team will depend on this year are seniors, wingback Walter Medina and Christian Guillen the up back (quarterback). Both players have been with Devine since they were in eighth grade.

They should all know one another well by now — and what is expected from the two athletes.

The Eagles opening game was at home Thursday evening with the New Mexico School for the Deaf.

"This is the first time we have played them in a couple of years," Devine said. So far, we're 2-2 with them (as of this report).

The 6 p.m. Sept. 2 home game with San Jon should be intriguing. This year Grady High School joined forces with San Jon and the two will be presented as one.

Epilogue

The pigskin stage has been set for the five area schools. And with it will unfold surprises, drama, victory and disappointing defeats.

Maybe Devine is right; it's different, it's 2011 and the script will play out, as it should — similar, maybe, but yet, distinct.

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Championship Flight

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2nd Gross — Denise Bowers	249
3rd Gross — Christine Citarella	262
1st Net — Kathy Choice	208
2nd Net — Bev Reynolds	212
3rd Net — Nan Ellis	213

First Flight

1st Gross — Lauren Zelt	256
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2nd Gross — Jo Miller	268
3rd Gross — Linda McKinley	272
1st Net — Marilyn Ragland	199
2nd Net — Diane Peeples	205
3rd Net — Brenda Hawthorne	207

Second Flight

1st Gross — Sharon Heaton	276
2nd Gross — Barbara Gossage	284
3rd Gross — Marjorie Hirsch	292
1st Net — Linda Palla	205
2nd Net — Ardeen Bass	211
3rd Net — Sue Morris	216

Third Flight

1st Gross — Doris Jones	299
2nd Gross — Pat Brown	308
3rd Gross — Gladys Labelle	309
1st Net — Jane Strickland	204
2nd Net — Sylvia Ware	217
3rd Net — Suzanne Fightmaster	219



Susan Bryck, left, won the ALGA title and Ella McGaughey is the Senior Club Champion.

Thoroughbred sales up at Ruidoso Sale

TY WYANT
For the Ruidoso News

The thoroughbred offering on Saturday night of the two night New Mexico-bred Quarter Horse and Thoroughbred Sale was up 38 percent over similar 2010 figures.

The average per horse sold was \$8,076, up from \$5,862 a year ago.

The Friday night offering of quarter horse yearlings was up 33.7 percent.

Last year the quarter horse and thoroughbred

offerings were not separate by sessions.

The figures represent corresponding breed comparisons.

The Thoroughbred offering on Saturday night included yearlings and breeding stock. The quarter horse offering was entirely yearlings.

Topping the thoroughbreds and the overall sale was Dome's Victory, a yearling from the Double LL Farms consignment.

The Dome filly was purchased by William Hatchett

for \$75,000.

Dome's Victory is out of the winning Victory Gallop mare Victory Girl, the dam of stakes winner and \$102,000 earner Excessive Victory.

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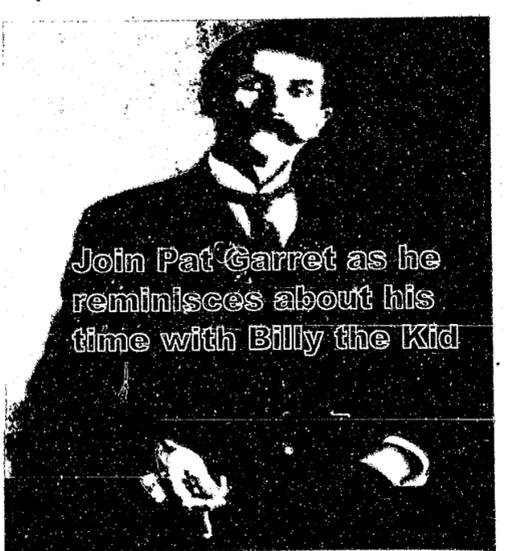
- 8am-12noon - Farmers Market
- 8am-11am - Breakfast Burrito on a Blanket (burritos & beverages available for purchase, bring your own blanket)
- 11am - Dress your Kid like Billy the Kid Contest
- 8am-12noon - Entertainment (music)

Pecos River Village Conference Center 12noon-4pm

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- Enjoy an old fashion soda provided by Wild West Sodas (available for purchase)
- So you think you know Billy the Kid trivia contest
- Join Pat Garret as he reminisces about his time with Billy the Kid
- Horseshoe pitching contest

Lake Carlsbad Beach Recreation Area 4pm-6pm

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When clergy are not enough

Q: My 19-year-old niece appears to be struggling with deep anxiety. She's decided not to return to college and only appears comfortable in her parent's home. Although she works and has friends she needs to feel that her parents are always close by.

This was a minor problem in her younger years, which has worsened with age.

I feel she needs to consult with her medical doctor and/or a mental health counselor, but my brother seems convinced that the counsel of their minister is sufficient.

Clearly it isn't, evidenced by her quitting college at a school less than an hour away.

When do you feel counsel by clergy is sufficient and when should a person move on to other professionals?

I worry that my brother is doing a grave injustice to his daughter, as is the minister. — B

A: All the clergy I know and love face this difficult question often in their counseling.

Many people feel there's a stigma attached to consulting a psychologist or psychiatrist that doesn't exist when seeking advice from clergy.

Pastoral counseling enables troubled people to at least receive some help rather than suffering alone.

Some also feel that many mental health professionals harbor a negative view of religion, and therefore won't respect the religious commitments of their patients.

My view is that for spiritual questions, clergy are just the right people to consult. However, when the problem is more than a spiritual crisis.

And when medication or long-term therapy is required, the troubled person and his or her family should seek out trained medical help.

Most sensitive clergy are aware of their limitations in this regard and will, on their own, suggest a referral to a therapist sensitive toward religious patients.

Your niece does seem to have a problem a clergy person is unlikely to be

able to address.

As the aunt and not the parent, I encourage you to speak to your brother and strongly suggest at least a preliminary visit to a trained professional therapist, perhaps using a therapist's ability to prescribe medications as your main argument.

If he won't hear you, sadly, there's nothing more you can do.

When I was struggling with health issues and with my despair over Fr. Tom Hartman's illness, a friend made and paid for an appointment for me with an excellent psychiatrist.

I didn't want to insult my friend or waste his

money, so I went to see the doctor and he helped me greatly to begin my crawl out of the pit. Perhaps such an intervention might be received in the same way by your niece and

her parents.

I pray for her and them and thank God that she is blessed with an aunt who cares for her so deeply.

Q: I want to cry, but the tears won't come. Our family recently left our Lutheran church after eight years because our 11-year-old son couldn't handle the noise or the crowd.

Our children have autism. One son became very violent during services, creating a public spectacle.

My husband, my other son and I took quite a beating from him every Sunday for about a year. We went home sore, exhausted and frustrated.

Medication didn't help; neither did discipline nor bribes.

The only thing that helped was moving to a smaller, quieter, less crowded (United Church of Christ) church.

Our son's doctor said we were wise to leave the larger, over-stimulating environment.

While we do like the pastor of this new church and the members seem nice, I'm reluctant to join because this is not the first time we've had to switch churches.

I don't want to attend another church where things go well for a few years, and then turn sour and we have to leave

again.

I'd be relieved to find a church with a quiet atmosphere where we don't have to explain and apologize, where people understand how difficult it is to raise children with special needs, where they'd refrain from giving us unsolicited parental advice and accept us for who we are.

Does such a place exist? Would it be best to simply not bother joining another church?

We still believe in God. We just don't want any more church hassles.

How should we handle this? — K

A: You are wonderful parents, but you are not only parents. You are also individuals with your own spiritual needs, and your other son also has these needs.

I would advise you to get a sitter for your more troubled son so you can attend church in peace with your other son.

Then contact the pastor and ask him or her if it would be possible to arrange a regular but brief private prayer session with your special needs son sometime during the week.

This would give both of you an opportunity to pray together while still preserving your time for spiritual regeneration on the Sabbath without distractions or guilt.

Faith and ethics for all ages

Wow! The J Bar J has been blessed with the summer crowds and I have no complaints.

But there is one thing that has been bothering me. We are drawing the home folks and summer people and the tourists, but we are not reaching the youth and young couples who live here in Ruidoso.

So I have begun to think about reaching the young, home-town crowd.

Here are some of my thoughts. It is not the school's responsibility to teach ethical and moral values to our children.

It is the parent's responsibility. Some of our parents have not grown up in a church or some other organization that teaches those values.

How can we help to communicate to the younger generations that there are moral and ethical guidelines for living?

"You shall not kill." "You shall not lie." "You

shall not steal." And others of the Ten Commandments are principles that guided the Founding Fathers of our nation.

Whether a family is in some religious organization or not really has no bearing on the validity of the principles. These guidelines are important for children to learn and live by.

So, the J Bar J Country Church is in the process of designing a church service for the purpose of helping our youth and young families to learn and put into practice the moral and ethical

principles upon which our country was founded.

These are principles that have given our nation the philosophy for success in life.

They will meet at 10 a.m. on Sunday mornings in the Youth Loft of the J Bar J.

With upbeat, contemporary music and a lesson that relates to our

contemporary lifestyle, we will do our best to reach out to young folks of all ages.

Our Youth Pastor, Chris Weaver, will lead the service. It will be called "Lifestyle Living for Boomers and Bloomers".

Yes, it will be a worship service for spiritual growth and development.

We will continue our regular 10 a.m. worship in the sanctuary. We will call it "Lifestyle Living for the Grown ups and Groaners".

I'm joking about the names of the services, but you get the idea of the age groups.

One service will feature "get up and go" gospel music. The other service will have the upbeat style of music that the youth of today enjoy.

I don't like the terminology of "contemporary and traditional", so we will have to come up with something different.

I kind of liked Boomers and Bloomers, and Grown ups and Groaners, but I'm sure we will find different descriptions.

The date for beginning these services has not yet been set, but we will do our best to give everyone help for today and hope for tomorrow.



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Let not the floodwater overflow me, nor let the deep swallow me up; and let not the pit shut its mouth on me.
Psalms 69:15

Royce Lane Briley
1959 - 2011



Royce Lane Briley, passed on August 15, 2011, in Medford Oregon at age 51. He was a gifted horseman, healer and storyteller with an amazing ability to connect with and relate to kids, horses and dogs. He was most at home in the natural pines and traveling, doing what he loved, working with horses, hunting and fishing. He made a difference in the lives of others though is natural healing methods, using sensory touch therapy and organic healing remedies. He was a self taught musician, songwriter and poet, who played multiple instruments including the guitar and harmonica. He is very loved and will be dearly missed. Service: A private memorial was held in the California National Forest next to a river on August 20, 2011
Birth date and Location: September 18, 1959, Fresno California
Place he called home: Ruidoso, NM
Parents: Father Dave Briley (stepmother Raleen Briley) of Visalia, California and Mother, Wanda Guye (Preceded in death)
Significant Other: Donna Potter, Ruidoso, NM
Education: Ruidoso High, Leffey Bull Riding School, Tyler Texas Junior College
Survivors:
Sons: Wyatt Briley (age 21), of Reno NV, Graham Briley (age 17) of McCall, ID
Daughter: Shawna Fast (age 25) Idleld Park, Oregon
Sisters: Sharla Briley-Allison (brother in law Buddy Allison) Visalia, CA, Katie Briley-McCutcheon (step sister)
Brother: Wade Briley (preceded in death)
Cousin: Bill Morrison and Susan Lutterman of Ruidoso, NM, The Hodges, Steve, Dick, Larry, Eddle, Kathy, Christy and Cindy of Bryan Texas and surrounding areas.
Aunts and Uncles: Claudine Davis of Loga Vista, Texas, Sue and Charlie Hodges of Bryan Texas

George Len LaMay
1952-2011

George Len LaMay, 59, was born on August 8, 1952, and passed away on August 21, 2011. George was born in Pasadena, TX, then moved with his family to New Mexico. He left New Mexico and moved to Los Angeles to attend school at Pepperdine University, where he earned a Master's Degree in Business Management. George moved back to the Capitan area in 2005 and has resided there since. George was a devoted father, loving son and brother, and a great friend to many.
George is survived by his daughters, Sophia LaMay of Houston, TX and Phoebe LaMay of Houston, TX; his father, Jack LaMay, of Capitan, NM; his brother, Johnathan LaMay of Capitan, NM; as well as many more family members and friends.
Graveside services will be held at the Capitan Cemetery on Saturday, August 27, 2011 at 1 pm.
Condolences may be sent to the family at www.lagroneruidoso.com.

Edgar Torres Sr.
1940-2011



Rosary for Edgar Torres Sr., 71, of Mescalero will be Friday, August 26, at 9:00 AM in St. Joseph's Mission with the funeral mass to follow at 10:00 AM. Burial will be at Mescalero Cemetery.
Mr. Torres passed away Tuesday, August 23, 2011 in Alamogordo. He was born February 13, 1940 at Mescalero and had lived there all of his life. He was a Heavy Equipment Operator for BIA and had also worked as a Mescalero Apache Red Hat and at the Mescalero Sawmill.
He is survived by two daughters, Avaline Torres and Dorothy Beck; a son, Edward Hightower; grandsons, Edgar Torres III, Jonathan Cajé and Tralin Enjady; step children, Leola Cajé, Sharon Duffy, Marcella Cajé; and 9 step grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his father, Chester Sundayman; mother, Dorothy Torres; brother, Ronald Torres; wife, Adeline C. Torres; grandson, Tielson Ray Cajé.
The family would like to say Thank You to, Mescalero Care Center, Mescalero Elderly Center, Casa Blanca Arena Nursing Center, St. Jude's Hospital in Albuquerque; Gerald Champion Regional Medical Center and the ICU Life Transition Team at the hospital.
Condolences may be sent to the family at www.lagroneruidoso.com.

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LINCOLN COUNTY

Conquest plan approved, group wants forum

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Capitan's Board of Trustees has approved Conquest Investment's preliminary plat for the Capitan Trading Post subdivision, though members of Grassroots Capitan said they still want a public forum to discuss the subdivision in detail.

"Anytime you want to talk about this, make an appointment with my office and come in," said Capitan Mayor Sam Hammons, though he and the board of trustees did not move to schedule a forum at the time.

During a Tuesday, Aug. 23, public hearing to change the number of acres annexed into Capitan for the subdivision, Grassroots' spokesman Paul Durham said that the group does not necessarily oppose the development, but that it wants more transparency and research during the process.

"This is a long-term, face-changing involvement of the village, and this is something we need to be careful with," Durham said.

According to a prepared statement from Grassroots, some of the group's main concerns about the development are the negative

precedence the ordinances allowing two-acre annexations to receive water from the village would set, particularly since Conquest is bringing no new water rights into the village.

The subdivisions would be entirely dependent on Capitan's unused annual municipal water rights of about 330 acre-feet, which is about 107 million gallons of water.

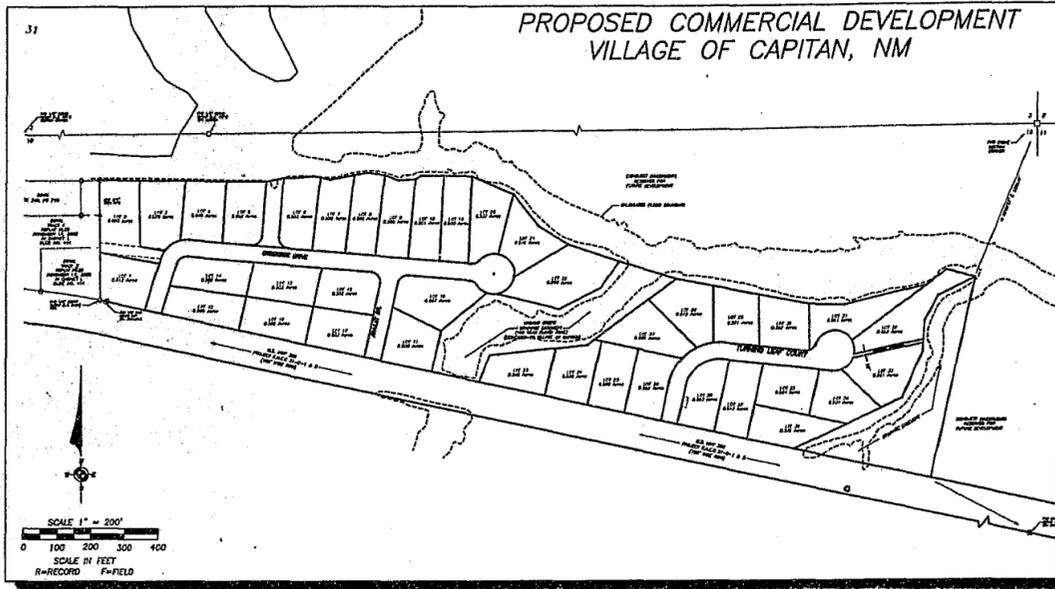
An acre-foot of water is measured as the amount of water needed to cover one acre of land in a foot of water.

Yet others disagree, and say that Capitan needs to grow before the population evaporates.

"I applaud the efforts to bring in some business and, on down the road, some housing," said Shirley Crawford, superintendent of Capitan schools. "I am disheartened to see people leave our community to find work. We have to be prepared to help Capitan grow so the schools will survive."

Crawford said that while the school had hired three new teachers, they still couldn't find housing, and their spouses couldn't find work in the village.

"The only thing we get money from is selling water," said James Taylor, a resident of Capitan and a



A revised floodplain survey led to the original area to be annexed into Capitan getting reduced from 7.95 acres to 7.653 acres, ensuring that all structures to be built on the property do not lie within the floodplain, said Eric Collins of DT Collins and Associates.

volunteer on the Water Advisory Board. "We have to have places for our children to work."

Another resident, Julie Cano, questioned Conquest's financial solvency, wondering if the village would be left high and dry should the development fail.

"If a developer isn't solvent, he can't put up a bond, he can't hire workers," said Eric Collins of DT Collins & Associates, the engineering firm hired to

plan the new subdivisions in Capitan. "This isn't costing the village anything but time."

Collins said there were two ways the subdivisions would get built — either by bond money that Conquest would seek out, or through private funding from its investors, Lionel Burns and Phil Berryman.

Additionally, Grassroots members said they are concerned about the chosen building location, which sits on a floodplain where

two creeks, the Magado and Salado, merge together.

A recent floodplain study conducted by Benchmark Engineering and Surveying, Inc., on Jan. 19, determined the base flood elevations for all areas within the proposed subdivision.

After the survey took place, it was recognized that part of the acreage to be annexed lay within the floodplain, said Hammons. This meant a change in the

acreage to be annexed, which meant a new ordinance that was approved at Tuesday's meeting.

"All the lots in the proposed commercial development are platted outside the calculated flood boundaries," Collins said.

The new maps, which are more accurate than previous FEMA maps for the area, will be sent in to FEMA for review to later be added to the flood maps for Lincoln County, Collins said.

Eighth rabies case in state confirmed in Chavez county

The New Mexico Department of Health is warning pet and livestock owners in Chavez County and throughout the state to make sure their dogs, cats, horses, and other valuable livestock are vaccinated against rabies after a skunk in Roswell, New Mexico tested positive for the disease.

Several skunks from southeastern New Mexico have been diagnosed with rabies.

This year, there have been eight rabid animals reported, in New Mexico including the rabid skunk in Chavez County, a rabid horse and four rabid skunks in Eddy County, one rabid skunk from

Lincoln County, and a rabid dog in Roosevelt County. No cases of rabies have been reported in Lincoln County this year.

Animal control is currently investigating possible exposures in the neighborhood where the skunk was found.

Currently, no people or animals are known to have

been exposed to the skunk.

"In New Mexico, bats, skunks and foxes are reservoirs for rabies and can transmit rabies to people, pets, livestock or other wild animals. We are urging everyone to vaccinate your pets and livestock against rabies; vaccination is one of the most effective public health tools we have to pre-

vent humans from being exposed to rabies," said Department of Health Cabinet Secretary, Dr. Catherine Torres.

It is essential for pet owners to vaccinate their pets and to seek veterinary care if any of their pets become ill, Torres said.

The Department of Health advised that people

stay away from wild or unfamiliar animals, and do not attempt to feed, approach, or touch wild animals, alive or dead.

For more information about rabies, visit the Department of Health's website at <http://nmhealth.org/ERD/Health-Data/rabies.shtml>.

— From reports

The 'country' in country kitchens

The further the world gets into this new millennium, the more foreign country living becomes to the majority of the world.

This was brought home to me most recently when a group of women I know fulfilled the duty of answering a death in the family with a well-accepted process that occurs in ranch country.

When there is a death in a ranch family, the neighbor women rally at the home of the bereaved. They come bearing a casserole, water and toilet paper — all essentials for the crowds of people about to descend.

They also come prepared to do cleaning duty.

It's not that ranch homes are always in need of these merry maids, but because they exist amidst blowing dirt from pastures and corrals, are subject to a parade of muddy boots and a wide variety critters, there is almost never a time that at least the top layer of dust doesn't need knocked off and a mop run over the kitchen floor.

However, the number of ranch wives available for the task has dwindled over the years and the cleaning crew is sometimes foreign to the everyday state of a country kitchen.

Asking of the only ranch woman present, "What is that doing here?" "Oh that. It is a pair of

wire pliers."

"Should they stay on the desk?"

"Probably. She'll need to find them where she left them."

"Oh, that is a vaccine gun and yes it should stay in the kitchen window."

"Don't use too much water; all we've got is what we brought." "Don't throw that away. You change pipeline valves with that. And, yes the valve core-getter goes back into the

ash tray."

If you browse the magazines such as "Country Woman," please know that "country" has several different meanings.

I not only have never had a ranch kitchen that comes even close to resembling those glossy page photographs, I don't know anyone out here in the "country" who does.

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And the ambiance and decor? Several stacks of mail waiting to be sorted, livestock papers from four states and auction notices for the next six months fill one corner. Those must be guarded and save for "just in case."

Usually there is an envelope or a newspaper with phone numbers written on them that come with specific, "don't throw these away" instructions.

Vaccine guns in various stages of cleaning and repair take up a small side table. The ever-important

Rolodex serves as the centerpiece on the table right next to the toothpicks. Both are critical to the head cowboy's moods. Having to look for them is not acceptable.

An assortment of boots and shoes guard the doorway. His, hers and a small-fry size make it an Olympic event to get in the door and not trip. The broom stands against the wall ready to shove out the chunks from the corrals that inevitably escape a heel or a pant leg bottom. And pet tracks, justified with, "Honest Mom, they just came in by themselves."

Country is synonymous with warm, welcome hospitality.

In the middle of nowhere, it means don't mind your boots, I was going to clean later anyway.

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On July 27, a random drawing was held for \$50 gift certificates to Barnes & Nobles, provided by Friends of the Corona Library.

The winners were Savannah Lueras, high school; Ty Arnold, elementary school; and Kassidy Lightfoot, pre-school.

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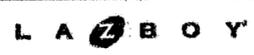
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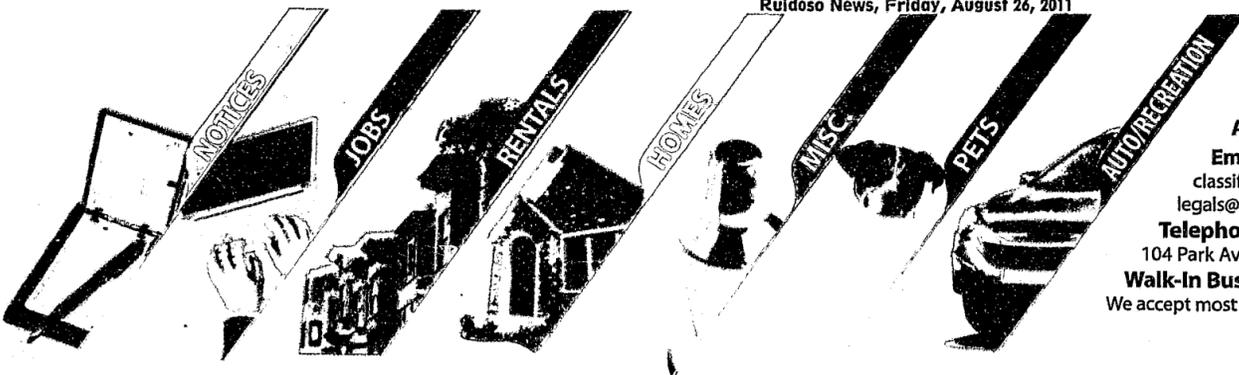
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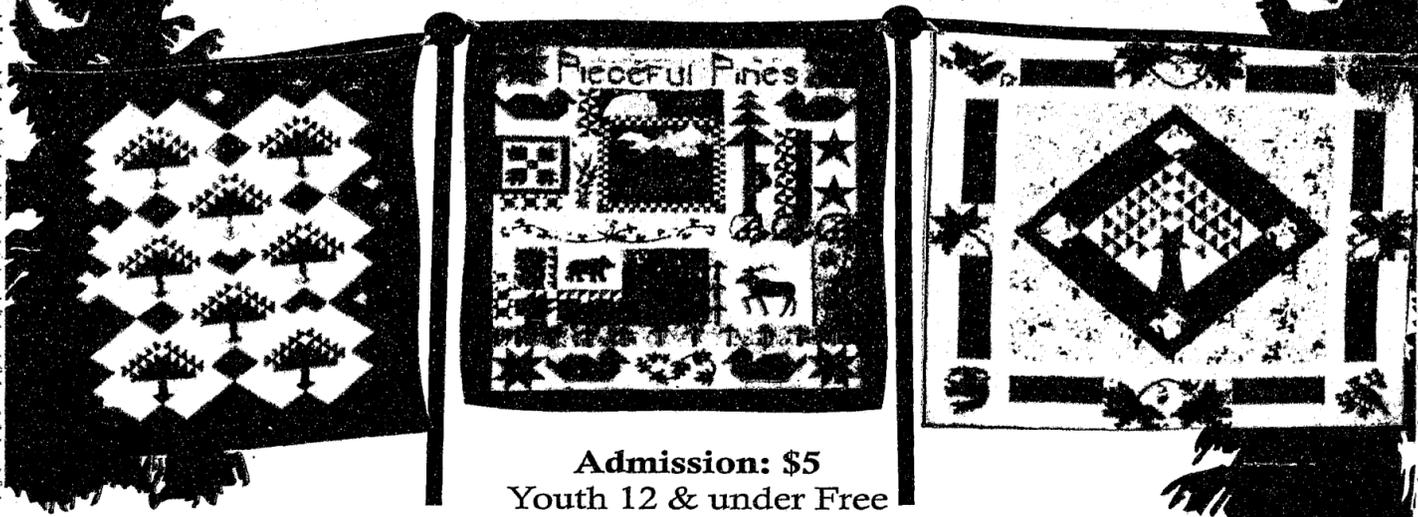
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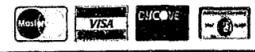
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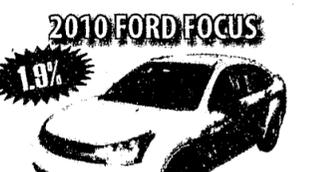
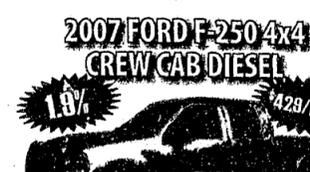
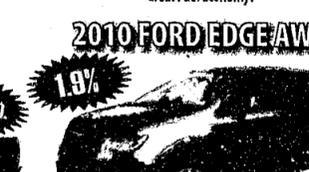
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<p>2010 FORD FOCUS</p>  <p>Stock #5677</p> <p>1.9%</p> <p>\$218/month</p> <p>Auto, Satellite Radio, Alloys, 6 Airbags, Tilt, Cruise, Power Windows, Locks</p>	<p>2008 LINCOLN MKX AWD</p>  <p>Stock #5672</p> <p>3%</p> <p>\$32,995</p> <p>Limited, Navigation, Vista Roof, Power Liftgate, THX Audio, Climate Controlled Seats, Much More!</p>	<p>2007 FORD F-250 4x4 CREW CAB DIESEL</p>  <p>Stock #8K0661</p> <p>1.9%</p> <p>\$428/MO.</p> <p>was \$34,295 NOW \$31,877</p> <p>Lariat Pkg., FX4 Off Road, Grill Guard, Chrome Step Bars</p>	<p>2010 FORD EDGE AWD</p>  <p>Stock #5659</p> <p>1.9%</p> <p>was \$28,545 NOW \$26,947</p> <p>SEL, AdvanceTrac W/RSC, 6 CD, Satellite Radio, Spoiler, Alloys, 6 Airbags</p>

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