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Village could revamp banner rules

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For improved enforcement and the convenience of business owners, Ruidoso's code enforcement officials would like to see some changes in the village's rules governing banners.

Officials Robert Simpson and Chris Eisenberg submitted some suggested changes to the village Planning and Zoning Commission for review Tuesday.

Commissioners postponed any action, saying they preferred not to piecemeal changes and would like a review of the entire sign ordinance before sending recommendations for changes to the Village Council.

"What I brought to commissioners was to simplify the process and to make it easier to enforce," Simpson said. "Right now, the permitting process covers a 14-day period. It would be easier with a 30-day period."

The number of permits allowed each year would be expanded from four to six, essentially opening the way for a business to display a banner every other month, he said. The price of a permit would stay the same, but an option would be added for an annual permit at possibly a flat \$100 charge.

A review of the entire ordinance will involve more of the planning and zoning staff time, Simpson

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The banner in front of McCracken's Home Gallery is an example of a correctly sized and permitted promotional temporary sign.

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STOP, DROP AND ROLL



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From left, Lt. Chris Berryhill of the Ruidoso Fire Department teaches Edwin Portillo to stop, drop, and roll as firefighter Adam Gonzales looks on during a fire prevention visit at the Nob Hill Early Childhood Center on Thursday.

Seeing the signs

Older drivers could help county with fed mandate

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A federal mandate, to assure road signs are maintaining proper reflectivity, has filtered down to the local level.

The Federal Highway Administration's minimum reflectivity standards were designed to improve the night visibility of traffic and directional signs.

"County road department personnel attended a training session on the subject in Albuquerque on Oct. 11, 2011," County Manager Tom Stewart told the county board of commissioners Tuesday. "The program mandates that the county establish a maintenance program by January 2012, that the program be fully implemented for traffic signs by January 2015, and guide signs, such as street name signs, to be replaced by January 2018."

Stewart said he would establish a "simple" program to meet the requirement probably by managing the project by focusing sequentially in each of the county's six road districts.

"A program of testing at night by inspectors who are at least 60 years old, record keeping and

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Fairgrounds construction costs could top \$6 million

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Construction costs for a new 3,000-seat arena and improvements to the existing Lincoln County Fairground were estimated at \$6.7 million Tuesday by a design consultant.

But Charles Smith representing Populous told county commissioners that just as someone would approach eating an elephant, they could take the project bite by bite.

"In terms of phasing, let's take the existing and do upgrades on it, particularly the (swine) addition to the blue barn to get maximum ben-

efit and to give kids a place to work," he said. Improvements and expansion to existing structures were estimated at \$520,000. Another \$120,000 would cover two box culverts to cross the creek at different points for traffic flow.

Commissioners formally accepted the master plan that Populous

was charged with designing. Smith said the total complex involves 33 acres.

In phase 2, the roads and infrastructure would be developed, along with the new \$4.2 million arena. Horse stalls and recreation-

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Nita Taylor officially named new Lincoln County manager

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It's official. Nita Taylor is the new Lincoln County manager, replacing Tom Stewart, who is retiring in November after 13 years of

directing county business and maintaining a healthy financial condition.

Commissioners previously announced that Taylor, who works for the New Mexico Association of Counties, was their selection, but Tuesday

during an executive session closed to the public, they worked out the details of her contract.

Her first day on the job will be Nov. 7 at a salary of \$80,000. If her performance is satisfactory, after six months she will

receive an increase to \$85,000. Taylor will receive 15 days of vacation, and five personal days per year, in addition to the standard county holiday schedule.

A cell phone and a vehicle will be provided.

Stewart, who joined the county from a position at the Pentagon, will remain for a "suitable transition period."

Taylor competed against 18 other applicants and four selected for personal interviews.

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ARBOR DONATION



MARILYN BARNES/FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Lincoln County Garden Club member Rhonda Davis and her husband, Mike, recently donated an arbor to the Ruidoso Public Library garden. Garden club members, with the help of village Parks and Recreation personnel installed the arbor. Pictured are: back row, Lorel Bromley, Barbara Bauer, and Betty Lawless; front row, Imelda Horne, Bev Yohner, and Ann Lohrey. The garden club maintains the water-wise demonstration garden at the library to promote wise use of natural resources and beauty. Garden club members look forward to planting vines to attract butterflies and birds to the arbor next summer.

Legal help

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The free legal fair will answer questions about bankruptcy, foreclosure, creditor/debtor issues, landlord/tenant matters, guardianships, public benefits, immigration, family law, paternity/custody/child support, wills/trusts/probate, and powers of attorney. The consultations will be on a first-come, first serve basis. Bilingual attorneys will be available.

RELAY SUMMIT



COURTESY

The Ruidoso branch for Relay for Life was proud to attend the Annual Summit in Albuquerque on October 15. Pictured here are: David Pacheco, Debbie Pacheco, Patty Farris, Cindy Parkinson, Sid Thomas and Trina Thomas.

N.M. Community

New Mexico Community Foundation presentation available for community leaders and nonprofits at 6 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 23, at the Capitan Library. All interested parties are invited to attend.

Republican Women

Kathryn Minter, Lincoln County commissioner, will be the featured speaker at the October meeting of the Federated Republican Women of Lincoln County. Her topic is the State of the County. The meeting will be held at the Ruidoso Senior Center on at 11:30 a.m. Monday, Oct. 24. Bring a sack lunch and please use the side entrance. For information, 430-7258.

Story times

Wednesday morning preschool story times for the remainder of October will include stories about tiny woodland creatures today. The children will make a Hershey's mouse. The Oct. 26 edition will deliver Halloween stories and spooky crafts. The Wednesday preschool story times begin at 10:30 a.m.

Flu clinics

Rose Clinic in Capitan will provide 100 free flu shots from 8 a.m. to noon Friday, Oct. 28, or until the vaccine is gone. This free flu shot clinic is for adult patients only. Rose Clinic in Capitan is located at 330 Smokey Bear Boulevard.

The Centers for Disease Control are recommending that everyone 6-month and older receive the flu vaccine, however, for their safety, children age 17 and under cannot receive flu shots through this clinic and should get their shots from their regular pediatrician. The 2011-2012 flu vaccine will protect against three strains of seasonal flu, influenza A and influenza B viruses as well as the H1N1 virus.

Another flu vaccination clinic will be conducted by the New Mexico Department of Health in Ruidoso later this month. The vaccinations will be available from 2 p.m. until 7 p.m. Oct. 31 at the Ruidoso Senior Center. While everyone should get a flu vaccine each season, it is especially important certain people get vaccinated, either because they are at high risk of having serious flu-related complications or because they live with or care for people at high risk for developing complications. The Department of Health said those who should get vaccinated are

pregnant women, children younger than five and especially those younger than two years old, people with chronic medical conditions such as asthma, diabetes, lung disease or heart disease, people who live in nursing homes or other long-term care facilities, people who live with or care for those at high risk for complications from the flu, American Indians and Alaskan Natives, who last flu season seemed to be at higher risk of flu complications, and people who are morbidly obese.

Alpine Village

The Alpine Village Water and Sanitation District will meet at 4 p.m. Nov. 7 in the district's building at 114 Alpine Meadows Trail. This meeting is being held to conduct regular business for the district, such as paying bills and reporting on the operations of the water system. Additionally, the agenda may contain discussion regarding the upcoming election of a director to the board, Position 1; committees to address the Conservation and a Drought Contingency Plan; Capacity Assessment; and revising the bylaws and regulations. Any New Mexico "tax-paying elector" who owns

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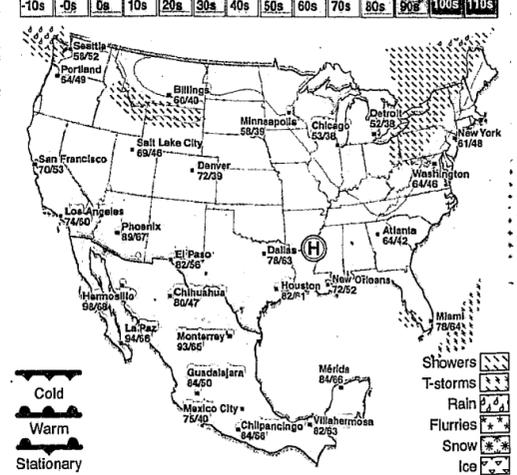
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Sunny, breezy in the afternoon	Pleasant with plenty of sunshine	Plenty of sunshine	Bright sunshine and breezy	Mostly sunny, breezy and pleasant	Partly sunny	Rain, mixed with snow early; cooler
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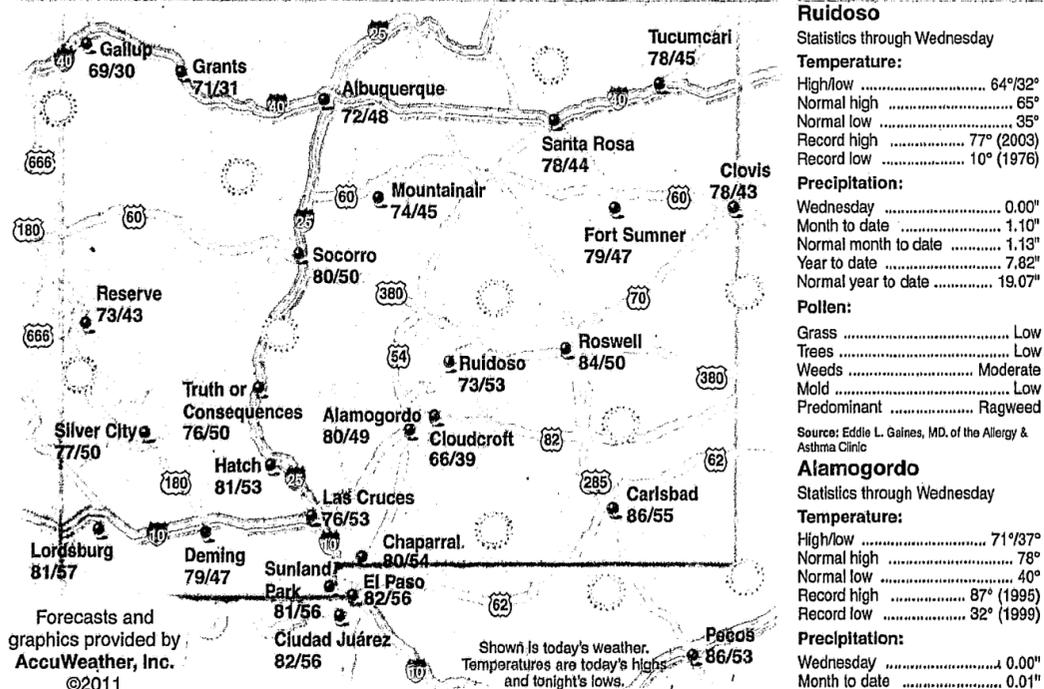
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National Forecast for Oct. 21, 2011



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

Regional Cities



National Cities

City	Today H/L	Sat. H/L
Abilene	80/58/s	80/53/pc
Anchorage	44/34/pc	42/32/pc
Atlanta	64/42/s	65/45/s
Austin	82/62/s	86/61/pc
Baltimore	62/41/s	63/41/s
Boston	65/48/pc	63/47/s
Chicago	53/38/s	58/42/s
Dallas	78/63/s	80/60/t
Denver	72/39/pc	72/42/s
Des Moines	62/42/s	64/42/s
Deloit	52/38/pc	55/47/s
El Paso	82/56/s	80/51/s
Las Vegas	82/64/s	82/66/s
Los Angeles	74/60/pc	87/63/s
Minneapolis	58/39/s	58/44/pc
New Orleans	72/52/s	76/54/s
New York City	61/48/s	63/46/s
Philadelphia	63/46/s	63/46/s
Phoenix	89/67/s	92/67/s
Reno	70/41/s	72/40/s
San Francisco	70/53/pc	75/54/s
San Diego	68/62/pc	76/62/pc
Seattle	58/52/r	57/52/c
Tucson	86/60/s	86/60/s
Tulsa, OK	72/48/s	78/49/pc
Wash., DC	64/46/s	63/45/s
Wichita	70/42/s	75/48/s
Yuma	88/68/s	91/69/s

Mexican Cities

City	Today H/L	Sat. H/L
Acapulco	88/74/s	89/75/s
Cancun	84/63/s	86/62/pc
Chihuahua	80/47/s	81/46/s
Ciudad Juárez	82/56/s	80/53/s
León	85/47/s	83/46/s
México, DF	75/40/s	75/38/s
Monterrey	93/65/s	93/66/s
Morelia	83/50/s	82/51/s
Oaxaca	89/45/s	86/46/s
Plo. Penasco	90/59/s	91/62/s
Tijuana	68/63/pc	75/63/pc

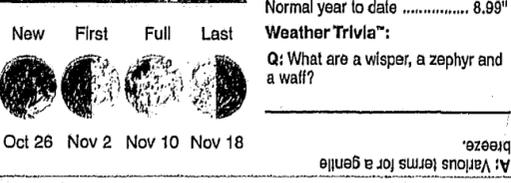
Sun and Moon

Friday: Sunrise/Sunset 7:11 a.m./6:23 p.m.
 Friday: Moonrise/Moonset 1:23 a.m./2:51 p.m.

Extreme

Wednesday's National High/Low: (For the 48 contiguous states)
 High: 102° in Gila Bend, AZ
 Low: 13° in Alamosa, CO

Moon Phases



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EVENTS

Village to review 'low-intensity' commercial zones

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property in Alpine Village is eligible to run for election to a six-year term on the board of directors. Contact Secretary Cheryl Knobel at 257-7776 or knobelc@windstream.net by Nov. 10, if interested or for more information.

Agendas are available at least 24 hours prior to meeting time.

Community Youth

Stand-up comedian Jay McKittrick will bring his uproarious stories and observational humor to the Community Youth Center Warehouse when he performs live at 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 3.

Tickets will be sold at the door: \$10 adults and \$7 seniors/teens.

All of the proceeds will benefit the Boys and Girls Club of Sierra Blanca.

The Community Youth Center Warehouse is located at 200 Church Drive.

For directions call: (575) 630-0318.

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Ruidoso planning officials will research how other communities define "low intensity" commercial in an effort to find some guidance for future decisions about new businesses in a C2 community commercial zone.

During their recent meeting, members of the Ruidoso Planning and Zoning Commission said they hoped to come up with some way to avoid future clashes between new commercial enterprises and surrounding homeowners in the district that encompasses most of Mechem Drive frontage and a significant portion of Sudderth Drive.

They were concerned because recently a Dollar General Store wanted to build a new outlet on a corner lot on Buckner Drive and Mechem, but homeowners living behind and on the side of the wooded lot objected to potential traffic and the heavy commercial activity. The store developer ultimately withdrew that application.

Commissioner John Cornelius, a builder, said more appropriate uses in such areas with nearby homes are insurance agencies and real estate offices. However, he pointed out that the zone that is described for low intensity commercial activity contains businesses such as Lawrence Brothers grocery store. That's not low intensity, he said.

"Can they be in the same district?" he asked, noting that rules allow for sub-districts to be established. "I'd like to give us wording not to have things like that, but from a developer's point of view, he needs to be able to read this and say, 'I can or can't do that.'"

Commission Chairman Larry Wimbrow wondered if low intensity could be defined by the amount of space a building consumes of a site. "The Dollar General was going to take up three-fourths of the lot," he said. "Could we approach it from that angle?"

Cornelius said a precedent already is established with Lawrence Brothers and

many other businesses along Mechem that eat up nearly all of their lots when parking is included.

Wimbrow said C2 is the only appropriate zoning for a business such as Dollar General. "You wouldn't want it in Midtown (C3), C1 (neighborhood commercial) or C4 (heavy commercial)," he said. "But there are a couple of major housing areas there that still are zoned C2 and I don't know that it's fair to the village or to the people who live there to allow something like that to go in. Is there a way to cut out certain areas?"

Ruidoso Village Official Shawn Fort said sections could be rezoned, but that would have to occur at the request of the property owners because moving to residential zoning would lower the resale value of the land. "It is not likely to go well unless the owner requested it," he said.

"What's to stop someone from buying two lots and tearing down the house and putting up a store?" Wimbrow queried, because some of the lots with houses

are zoned C2. Fort said the amount of projected generated traffic could be used to define low intensity, but planners would have to be careful about negative spill-over effects on property already zoned C2.

Commissioner Arthur Hinz said he noticed a long list of activities that are permitted under C2, including automotive and boat sales. Fort said only up to two vehicles. Any sales above that number would require a conditional use permit.

Definitions

Cornelius said he'd like to see a better definition of low intensity to guide commissioners, but Commissioner Chris Row said the better approach would be to keep "low intensity" as vague as possible to give the board more flexibility. Cornelius said that approach is unfair

to developers, who need to know the ground rules and what could happen before investing their money.

Commissioner Fred Cowan said developers should test the water first by talking to neighbors. Fort said in the case of Dollar General, the developer talked to him on several occasions and knew about potential objections.

Wimbrow said without a more precise definition, the commission might deny an application for a business site development and the village council might overturn that decision on appeal, or if it ended up in court, a judge may not agree with the commission's interpretation.

He reminded members that courts overruled the council on a couple of commercial developments that village officials thought were too intense for Midtown.



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OUR OPINION

Help the fed in developing new drones

Get down to the hobby shop for some ideas. Because, it's not often the Pentagon asks for help in building a spy plane.

Ideas. Conceptions. Thinking out of the box. There's a \$100,000 top prize for the best new ways to build a small surveillance drone, and build it cheaply. There are a lot of other parameters, too. So those model planes we fly in the park definitely won't cut it.

The contest is being run by one of the Pentagon's "idea factories," the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (do an Internet search for Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency drone contest).

In Las Cruces we're ahead of the drone game in that the government is already working with New Mexico State University's Physical Science Laboratory on testing Vulture II.

It's a large unmanned aircraft with capabilities of not only pinpointing ground activities but acting as a communications conduit. It can even relay information regarding irrigation needs in growers' belts in the U.S. and around the world.

Now it's calling all scientists, engineers and even aircraft hobbyists.

Wanted is an aircraft that is small, silent and can be controlled from up to two miles

away. It must be able to remain in the air for up to two hours and be capable of monitoring people or vehicles in an urban area.

Naturally, it must be able to send back pictures. Otherwise it's not a drone.

And take note. There are already more than two dozen teams working on entries.

The U.S. already has some small drones, and so do other countries. Recall a mini drone, said to be the property of the Mexican government, crashed in a backyard in El Paso's Lower Valley last December.

When we think of drones, we think of the huge, unmanned aircraft we've been using high in the skies over Afghanistan.

Or even Vulture II, which is more of an electronics communications aircraft than a spy plane.

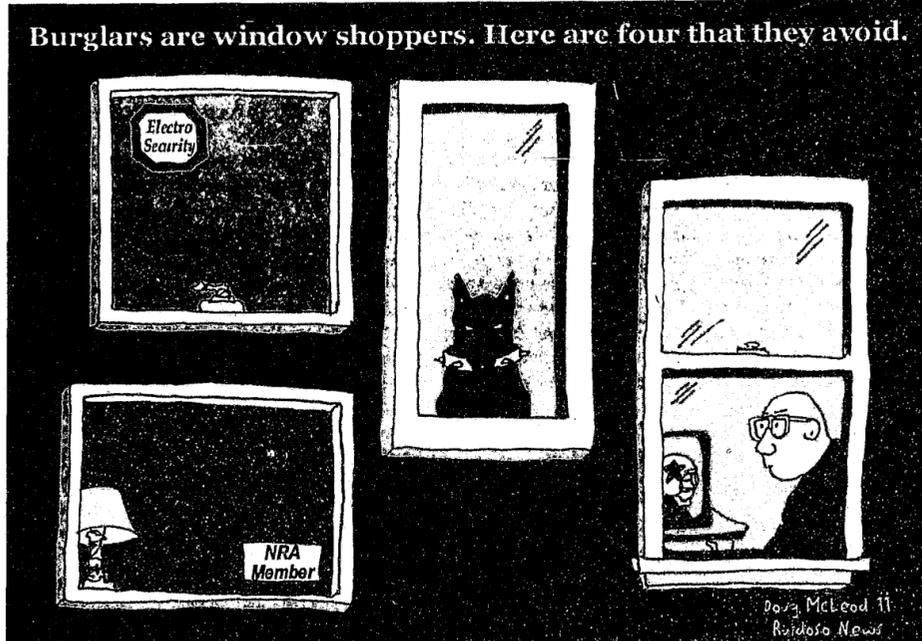
It's noted we already have some small drones. There are the 4.2-pound Ravens, said to cost \$25,000 apiece; and a 14-pound Wasp, with a short two-foot wingspan, that costs \$40,000.

The agency is looking for a drone in the \$10,000 range, and there are already several teams working on that.

We would think some smart minds in our area — the PSL or White Sands — might be in on the action.

For others, it's time to get out in the garage and start tinkering?

Burglars are window shoppers. Here are four that they avoid.



THEIR OPINION

Questions about state magazine layoffs

Since June, 77 state workers have seen their jobs evaporate. Civil service jobs, which are usually safe. Some news reports noted the governor's earlier promises to not lay off state workers, she's also said more often that state government is over-populated. As a new fiscal year approached, with stripped-down budgets, it was time to make the hard decisions.

In September Tourism Secretary Monique Jacobson laid off 11 people, including seven of 17 staff members at New Mexico Magazine, and another 16 at Expo New Mexico, one-third of jobs at the State Fair.

Jacobson said the nation's oldest state magazine had lost \$1.4 million in the last two years and had already cut expenses. The magazine is an enterprise fund — a business within state government that's supposed to pay its own way.

I've written previously that I thought Jacobson was a good choice for the post, but we should be asking some questions here.

The magazine's new editor, from Florida, is making \$92,000 a year, about twice as much as the highest-paid classified editing job at the magazine, according to the Santa Fe New Mexican.

This is in an industry that's shed jobs. For those wages, the best editors in New Mexico would have lined up. If we've just eliminated the jobs of New Mexicans and hired someone from outside the state, what makes him worth that salary? And how long do we give him to spin straw into gold?



SHERRY ROBINSON
ALL SHE WROTE

A letter to the editor pointed out that the magazine's decision makers are now non-native white people, leading the writer to ask, "How can someone just moved here — and hired at a much higher salary — have the instincts to know what to write about our dear state, rather than a diverse staff with decades of experience, who were shooed out the door like a pack of vagrants?"

I have mixed feelings about out-of-state editors. Sometimes it's good to have people with a fresh view assigning stories. On the other hand, sometimes editorial ignorance leads to reporting disasters. I recall the reporter sent to fly over a pueblo ceremonial that was closed to the public, who then added insult to injury by calling it a "pow-wow."

Like the letter writer, I'm disturbed that the magazine shed its most experienced people and then insulted them by posting a state police officer outside "just in case." In case of what? That some irate staffer might assault somebody with a pen and notepad?

Layoffs might be necessary, but they can be done with

humanity and respect. This wasn't.

John Garcia, who was Tourism Secretary during Gov. Gary Johnson's administration, offered some perspective during a recent talk before New Mexico Press Women.

"The magazine has always been on the verge of going away," he said. "When I had the magazine, we were losing \$200,000 a year. I wanted it to break even." Garcia put pressure on the publisher, and by the second year it began to break even. "It has to perform. If it doesn't, we have to go to the Legislature and get more money."

That wasn't an option this year.

Garcia added that when the magazine did make a modest profit, two magazine publishers in Albuquerque complained of unfair competition from the state and got a bill introduced in the Legislature that would have forced the sale of the magazine — to them.

Another question that needs to be asked is what we expect the magazine to do. One answer is, to promote tourism, but it wasn't long ago that the magazine was under political pressure to feature every part of the state — even the places that aren't exactly tourist magnets.

How many strings are attached to the new guy?

Garcia said New Mexico Magazine evolved into a beautiful publication, but it has competition from the Internet. And times have changed. That's all true, but we could stand to see some of the administration's vaunted transparency around these changes.

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Q: What do you think about the Occupy Wall Street movement?



Robert Bates
Lubbock, Texas

"I think it's about time. I think the bankers, government, and everybody on Wall Street — they're all too greedy."



Ken Bailey
Lexington, Ky.

"I think democracy works best when people are willing to go out and protest when they need to."



Ruben Rodriguez
Las Cruces

"I guess people are fed up with abuses in the corporate world, but I don't know how much change will come of it."



Joann New
Ruidoso

"Hopefully it's going to make Congress, the president, and Wall Street stop and think that we're tired of being pushed around."



Shannon Clem
Ruidoso

"I think the bulk of the nation trusts too much. We're at each other's mercy, and there's too much corruption above."

Emergency extrication expert to hold training in Carrizozo

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A nationally renowned trainer in advanced extrication techniques is coming to Carrizozo Saturday to update volunteers with local rural departments as well as firefighters from other areas of the state.

Extrication is a technique to rescue victims from car accidents if they are unable to escape from the vehicle.

Carrizozo Fire Chief Walter Hill said Wednesday he's been working on arranging the all-day session for 18 months. The morning will be spent inside a classroom and the afternoon will focus on using the equipment. Three new Volkswagens will arrive with the Five-Star Extrication Training

Academy staff, headed by Carl Haddon. The session aims to familiarize firefighters on how to work with the steel found in new cars, which can be a substantial challenge, Hill said.

Lucky Myers with Carrizozo Auto Salvage is providing the site for the hands-on exercise and is donating five cars for the training.

Some of the departments planning to send firefighters are Nogal, Capitan, White Oaks and Fort Bayard.

"These are all volunteers, who take time out of their day," Hill said. "For a lot of little departments, what they run into the most are car wrecks and this advance training should be helpful."

The class begins at 8 a.m. at

the Main fire station in Carrizozo. After a lunch provided by the department through local donations, the outdoor session will run until 5 p.m. at the salvage yard, mile marker 65.5, on U.S. Highway 380.

Changing industry

In the August 2010 edition of Fire Chief Magazine, Haddon wrote, "Not Your Father's Autos," an article that looked at developing effective extrication training.

He also addressed an open letter to firefighters, citing his credentials as national training director for the Five-Star Extrication Training Academy, sponsored by Volvo, Mercedes Benz, Champion Rescue Tools, Paratech and a several other

respected names in the industry.

In 2009, the sales department of one of the sponsors was overwhelmed with requests for the Five-Star Extrication Training Academy from all over North America and a list of fire departments was put on hold, he wrote. But in 2010, the sponsors put the reins of the program into the academy's hands, the hands of the firefighters who developed and teach the program.

"With their backing and support, we are embarking on a 'North American Tour,' to bring the training opportunity to many departments," he wrote.

"As we teach, we learn. We have added a number of new modules to the class schedule as a result of requests from firefighters and fire officers across the country."

He asked that departments interested in playing host to staging an academy training session contact him.

Haddon through his column in Fire Apparatus Magazine, and Aaron Heller's (co-director) column in Urban Firefighter.com, also ask for examples of extrication challenges that firefighters face in the field.

"We will print these challenges, give the readership an opportunity to comment, and give you the opinions of recognized extrication experts from across the country, that we have combined forces with," he wrote. "Our hope is that we can all use our shared experiences to be more successful in dealing with the new vehicle technology of today and tomorrow."

Village Council discusses plans for Eagle Drive Bridge sidewalk

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Aware of money limitations, but trying to install as much sidewalk as possible while completing the new Eagle Drive Bridge, Ruidoso village councilors authorized creating a walkway on the east side of the street from the bridge to Rio Street.

Work on the sidewalk should begin this week. No dollar limit was established, but councilors made it clear each dollar matters. Special Projects Director Justin King assured them Tuesday, "We will be prudent."

Councilor Denise Dean initially pressed to finish the sidewalk all the way to Sudderth Drive, but was persuaded to break the project into two phases.

King explained that the design originally called for a sidewalk on the west side of the bridge, terminating at the Blue Goose Restaurant, but after a site visit by Dean and Village Manager Debi Lee, the consensus was that the walkway should leave the bridge on the east side and cross to the west at Rio Street.

Doing the whole sidewalk at once would require four times the quantity of material King allocated, pumping the cost estimate up from \$4,800 to about \$30,000, he said. But it also would solve many issues. The east side receives more sunshine in

the winter and would be less icy for visitors, he said.

"We have major water drainage and putting it on the east side solves that as well," King said.

Dean said she also didn't like pedestrians walking across the bridge without any protection from vehicles. Councilor Jim Stoddard said that's because of rules imposed by the Federal Emergency Management Agency for reimbursement on structures damaged from the July 2008 flood on the Rio Ruidoso.

"When it's finished and it's ours, then we can do it," he said about adding some delineating structure to separate pedestrians from traffic on the bridge.

King reminded councilors that the bridge design included no plans for a sidewalk or pedestrian walkway, because that item is not reimbursable by FEMA.

Councilor Rafael Salas asked, "Do we have the money?"

Lee told him she has a funding source and it is the Street Department budget under a special fund. She assured the Ruidoso River Resort condominium developer when he gave the village land it needed along the river for the bridge project that a sidewalk would be

installed instead of the small walkway structure.

"I feel we need to put sidewalks on the east side like I said we would do," Lee told councilors.

In 2009, the council discussed sidewalks, because the Planning and Zoning Commission approved the resort with a walking bridge, Lee said.

At the time, they didn't think many people would use it, but quickly saw they were wrong and that it received substantial use, even after the flood when Utilities Director Randy Camp substituted a walkway structure from the old wastewater treatment plant,

because the walking bridge was damaged.

The new sidewalk also will tie into the River Walk Trail being developed from Two Rivers Park up the river toward Eagle Drive.

"Getting the land below the Blue Goose means at some point, it will be rocking in that area with bronzes and benches and other activities as part of the trail, said Stoddard, one of the champions of the trail project. "It will be a dandy. With added parking and one acre, it will be beautiful. I can really see it."

Lee said she did not recommend pursuing construction of a parking area now, only the sidewalk to Rio Street. "I'm a strong advocate for walk-ability, because this town is tourist driven,"

she said.

"If we have the money, let's finish it and make it look nice," Dean said. "Cross at Rio and come up to the handicapped steps. I don't know if we own all the land on the west side." King said he would research the answer.

"I like using the east side where it gets sun," Councilor Gloria Sayers said.

Lee said crews would need to pour the forms in mid-October. "We need authorization at least to do the portion in the original change order and it needs to be on the east side to Rio Street."

The manager said Street Director J. R. Baumann has tremendous needs for street maintenance and repair, and she is trying to be sensi-

tive to that.

The special fund is fueled by a 1-cent to 2-cent gasoline tax that is returned to Ruidoso for street improvements and sidewalks.

The village also expects to apply for a grant in 2014, and that could be used to finish the extension up to Sudderth Drive, also correcting the drainage problem, Lee said.

Sayers asked if asphalt could be used for a pathway on the west side until a real sidewalk could be installed. The village owns its own asphalt plant. King said he would consult with Baumann, but some problems exist with layering asphalt.

Councilors authorized only the first section on the east side up to Rio Street.



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With 78,000 photovoltaic panels behind him producing electricity, PNM Vice President Ron Darnell cuts the ribbon on the new solar facility just south of Alamogordo. Joining Darnell are community leaders from Otero County.

PNM dedicates solar panels

Some PNM electricity in the area is being produced from the sun.

PNM dedicated its most recent photovoltaic array Wednesday near Alamogordo.

The 78,000 solar panels, covering 50 acres, actually went online a week ago.

"Is this not an impressive sight or what?" Ron Darnell, PNM's vice presi-

dent of regulatory policy said at the dedication. "We are proud of this new, emissions-free facility."

The array can produce up to five megawatts of power on sunny days.

Over the course of a year it is expected to generate enough electricity to power about 1,600 homes.

"Solar certainly has a place in our energy portfo-

lio," Darnell said. "At the same time, it is important for customers to understand there is no 'silver bullet' for producing energy that is affordable, reliable and free of emissions. The best approach is a variety of resources that work together to balance affordability, reliability and environmental impact."

- From reports

Booked for the weekend

Motorcycle rally fills Ruidoso hotels

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Room occupancies during last month's Golden Aspen Motorcycle Rally were, on average, 88 percent, according to a morning after poll of lodging establishments.

Held in Ruidoso and Ruidoso Downs in the past, the rally this year took place at the Inn of the Mountain Gods.

"The percentages of businesses that said their occupancy was up this year was 42 percent for the motorcycle rally," said Ruidoso Tourism Director

Gina Kelley. "So it doesn't appear it had any effect," she said of the new location for the rally.

"A lot of people came this year that hadn't been for a few years because it was a new venue."

Cindi Clayton Davis, the chair of Ruidoso's Lodgers Tax Committee, operates Condotel, a property management company that manages nightly rentals.

She said it appeared rally participants did not stay exclusively at the Inn of the Mountain Gods.

"We were sold out," she said. "A lot of the people

coming in and out, for the most part they liked the Inn of the Mountain Gods venue for certain things. But then one gentleman made a very interesting comment. He said part of the fun is getting out and riding especially when we have weather like we had. And he made the suggestion we should have this vendor at the Inn. And then if you want to go look at specialty cars, that should be over at the convention center. And then if you want to go to the race-track, you can ride over there. Give them reasons to move around."

Project looks for gold

Excavations to begin at White Oaks

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A proposed mineral exploration on a part of the Lincoln National Forest north of White Oaks would focus on gold.

The Jicarilla KD Placer Exploration was described as a minimal impact, limited-scale exploration project.

In a Plan of Operations application to Lincoln County's planning director, the claim owners propose to sample the subsurface material for mineral assessment. Reclamation would be done concurrent to the exploration process.

Owner Ken Davis of Ruidoso said the exploration would not involve the use of any chemicals.

"We're not going to use any polymers or anything of that nature," Davis said. "We're going to use all natural materials."

And water use at the claim will be minimized.

"I think we can get as much as 80 percent back and reuse it," Davis said. "We're going to try and clean it up and then just recycle it."

A Plan of Operation has been given to the Lincoln National Forest, the New Mexico Mining and Minerals Division, and Lincoln County. The operation is seeking a two-year permit.

"It may go quicker than that," Davis said. "I think we'll know ahead of time how good the ore and how much is there. We should be able to determine that this coming year. If it is good, we will seek to expand. If it's not, we'll shut things."

Davis said a positive assessment would bring a mill site.

"Right now we'll be doing maybe 50 cubic yards a day. If it's good we'll go 500 cubic yards a day. That's a major deal, a big step. It takes a lot more

permitting and amount of equipment."

Initially, the exploration would involve a five person crew six days a week to run the operations during daylight hours.

At least one person would always be on site for security.

The project will use a dozer in three specific areas with one to five trenches per area.

The sizes of the trenches will be about 12 feet by forty feet and to a depth of about 15 feet. One to three trenches would be excavated at a time.

Once the material is processed, the excavated earth will be replaced in the trenches.

The area for the testing and processing is less than five acres.

The exploration is not the first for the location in the Jicarilla Mountains. In the 1960s and 1970s there had been interest in the site.

Business loans on the rise

State, federal support for small businesses

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Small businesses will have a better chance of borrowing. The U.S. Treasury has approved New Mexico participation in the state Small Business Credit Initiative Program.

The state will receive more than \$13 million in federal assistance to help leverage private lending to finance small businesses and manufacturers that are creditworthy but unable to access the capital needed to expand and create jobs.

"Small businesses are the backbone of New Mexico's economy and the engines of economic recovery," Gov. Susana Martinez said Tuesday. "It is a priority for this administration to create a more business-friendly environment that encourages growth, investment and job creation right here in New Mexico. This program

is an important step toward accomplishing that goal and putting New Mexicans back to work."

The New Mexico Economic Development Department will contract with the New Mexico Finance Authority (NMFA) to operate the program. The two agencies will initially establish the program as a bank loan participation initiative called the Collateral Support Program.

It will focus on shorter term working capital loans, particularly for projects located in rural and underserved areas of the state.

NMFA will base the Collateral Support Program on its existing Smart Money loan assistance program which allows NMFA to purchase up to 49 percent of a loan a bank or credit union makes to a New Mexico business or non-profit.

The rules limit the

amount of participation to \$5 million and no more than \$2 million can be directed to any project unless significant economic development will occur.

More specifically, the business must create at least one full-time job for each \$50,000 invested by NMFA.

Federal requirements also apply.

"These new funds will increase our ability to partner with local banks and strengthen communities," said Denise Baker, chair of the NMFA.

U.S. Senator Tom Udall (D-NM) applauded the approval of the small business credit initiative. He said it could generate \$138 million in new small business lending in New Mexico.

"This initiative opens up a new pool of funds that partners government with private sector lending to spur job creation in our state," Udall said.

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Business retention tax may have surplus

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Called complex and even confusing, state distribution calculations on Lincoln County's Business Retention Gross Receipts Tax suggest the county will see some revenues. And a projection by the county manager also points to that.

The tax, narrowly approved by voters in September 2010, provides a gaming tax credit to the Ruidoso Downs Race Track and Casino. The maximum gaming tax credit allowed for a year is \$750,000. Any excess collections from the 0.1875 percent tax are distrib-

uted to the county annually. For the first half of 2011, almost \$380,000 was collected.

"The next two months are very good," County Manager Tom Stewart said of July and August receipts. "We need to put in our budget an estimate of what an annual distribution would give us over the \$750,000. It's not going to be a lot of money but it will be something."

July's tax collection was \$86,567 and August was \$81,314. For the first eight months of 2011, the total has been \$547,573.

"If you divide that by the eight distributions, you get an average of \$68,446.73,"

Stewart said. "Times 12, we currently have a projection of \$821,360.75 for the year. By this current estimate we're not talking about receiving anything more than about \$70,000."

Lincoln County Commissioner Jackie Powell cautioned about what to expect around the end of the year.

"Keep in mind, and I don't want to be negative but I'm also a realist, we're probably not having snow," Powell said, referring to winter weather predictions. "October might be alright — November and December, probably not. I don't want to project high for those months."

Stewart said he would keep track of the numbers before offering a projection for next year.

"There will be a reconciliation next September and we'll figure out what is in excess of \$750,000. It normally takes two months, July and August, for them (New Mexico Taxation and Revenue Department) to figure everything out. And then they start doing the actual reporting in September. And again, the state is new at this as well so we just have got to monitor it."

The state's fiscal calendar runs from July to June so disbursement of the tax wouldn't occur until the second half of 2012.

Plan to put compactor in Airport Road area in works

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A plan is in motion to establish a Greentree Solid Waste Authority compactor station in the area of Airport Road and Fort Stanton Road in Alto. Illegal dumping at a nearby Dumpster location prompted the plan.

The Highway 220 Convenience Station would be sited immediately off Airport Road on Alto Pines Road.

"We have met with NMDOT (New Mexico Department of Transportation) and some of the homeowners out there," said Greentree's Operational Supervisor Debra Ingle. "Being aware that we did not receive our grant, we're working

diligently through the budget that we have to do some of the smaller items that need to be done. The NMDOT did grant us use of the state land."

The solid waste authority unsuccessfully applied for a grant for the trash compactor project that Ingle said this past summer had a cost of between \$25,000 and \$40,000, depending on size.

The actual site of the Highway 220 Solid Waste Convenience Station would be on a small piece of property owned by Lincoln County. The state land would help accommodate access.

"One of the citizen's concerns was that location could be a little hectic because it was so narrow," Ingle said. "They recom-

mended a widening of four feet on either side of that entrance. So the land will work for what we need and we believe it will clean up that illegal dumping."

The station is likely a year or more away.

Greentree is looking at possibly a couple more new convenience stations.

"Also we've been looking at a place at Alpine Village," Ingle said. "We're looking at putting a compactor at that location; working with the Village of Ruidoso and NMDOT potentially at Highway 48 and Alpine Village Road. We would actually put the compactor inside the Village of Ruidoso. That would stop some of the bears in that area."

Talks are underway with Otero County Electric Cooperative to place a compactor off New Mexico State Highway 48 in the Enchanted Forest area.

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SIGNS

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replacement schemes, are all mandated by the program.”

There is no federal reimbursement for the requirement.

“In fact, the counties are just now finding out about this,” Stewart said. “I think we need to be smart about how we do it. If you drive around at night, and you’re over 60,” he noted with a special emphasis of the required age, “you can tell signs that are do not have the necessary reflectivity. In lieu of that, you can buy a \$16,800 extra-reflectivity meter. Set the thing up against the sign and it tells you how the sign’s doing.”

Calling the law expensive,

Stewart said it was estimated 65 percent of the signs posted in counties around the county will need to be replaced.

“I don’t like to pick out any municipality, but there’s a municipality in the center of the county that if you drive around their community they have a lot of stop signs. None of them meet the standards.”

A replacement stop sign cost about \$45, and each local government is responsible for their streets, Stewart said.

But he added that he believed the reflectivity program was warranted.

“I read when this originally came out that the feds were requiring that they immediately be immediately replaced,” said Commissioner Mark Doth. “I observed, mainly on the inter-

states that we were putting up two signs, one right in front of another.

“Then, my understanding was, they backed off that requirement of immediate replacement and they went to the life expectancy of the sign.”

Stewart said he believed the Federal Highway Administration eased off because of the expense on the federal level.

The program then went to the state level and now the county and municipal levels.

“We need to think this through and have some kind of system of a 60-year old driving around looking at the signs and saying, ‘That one’s good,’” Stewart said. “But at the same time, you’ve got to put on the back of them when they were purchased and installed.

“And then this meter may very well be a good item to purchase so you don’t have to pay somebody overtime to drive around late at night or early in the morning.”

Jokingly, Doth called the senior citizen requirement age discrimination.

Commissioner Jackie Powell said the increased reflectivity signs, when the sun’s angle is right, can blind a driver during the day.

But county board member Kathryn Minter said something had to have triggered the requirement.

“They must have seen that there were a lot of people being killed,” she said. “This is why I don’t drive at night unless I absolutely have to.”

Compliance is required by Jan. 22, 2015.

VILLAGE

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said. He agreed with planning commissioners that once the ordinance is opened up to public input, the entire section should be examined for needed changes.

“Our changes strictly dealt with banners and the ease of enforcing,” he said. “It sounds like they want to go through the entire sign ordinance.”

Banners are defined as signs of temporary construction of flexible material without a frame, some hung on the walls of buildings, others supported by two poles.

COST

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al vehicle pads could come later.

He estimated \$1.1 million for site work among other expenses.

Additions

Commissioner Tom Battin asked if 3,000 seats could be built with the idea of adding 800 more later at an estimated cost of another \$600,000. Smith said they could, along with more restrooms and concessions.

“If we’re going to build a \$4 million structure, I would like (enough) restrooms,” Commissioner Kathryn Minter said in reference to Smith’s remark about keeping the number down and supplementing with portables because of infrequent full use of the arena. “I’d like to use it every weekend.”

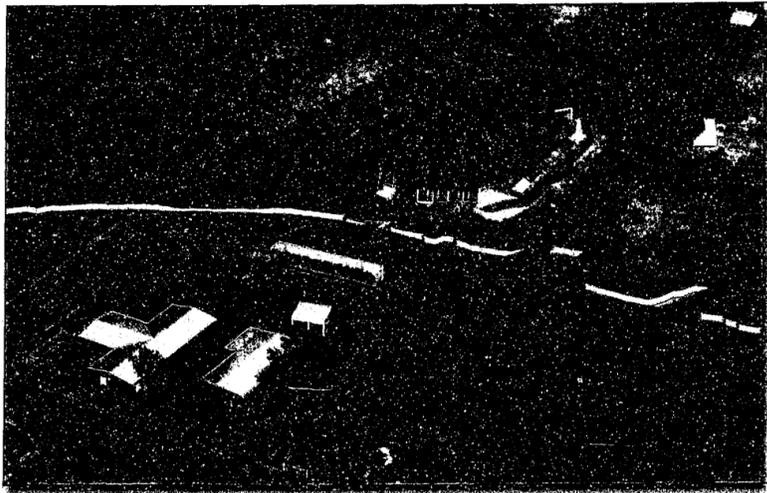
Smith said about 45 square feet is needed per fixture and the cost is about \$150 to \$200 per square foot because of all the plumbing. It adds considerable cost, he said.

The average number of people to be served should be figured, not for the maximum.

He said he would submit a copy of the estimated costs and a brief write-up with a printout of his power point presentation, he said. He prefers adding 5 percent to 8 percent for contingencies and “soft costs,” such as the survey.

Minter said it would be helpful to the commission to see the basis for each cost. Smith said if the master plan sits on a shelf for 10 years, the cost couldn’t be expected to remain the same.

A flood zone runs across the property, as drawn the arena doesn’t fall within the line, but it needs to be affirmed by an engineer.



Architect’s rendering of the Lincoln County Fairgrounds.

Plan in place

Commissioner Jackie Powell said most of the project is many years down the road and the costs won’t hold. “We’ll have to do it in 300 phases,” she said. “But at least the land will be used and with this plan we won’t

have to be moving things around all the time.”

A spokesman for the County Fair Board called the master plan aggressive and that it will help with how projects are attacked.

Carrizozo Magistrate Judge Martha Proctor said, speaking as a 4-H

exhibitor at the first county fair in 1950, at some point research should be done on a donation involving the original fairground and the understanding that the arena, exhibit building or some structure be named after Fletcher Hall.

Powell said the existing arena always has been called the Fletcher Hall Arena and that would continue, but the new one could be named something else.

Some other points covered in the master plan were that another 15 to 16 stalls would be added for the stampede; an enclosed glass foyer would be created for the exhibition hall to keep flies out in the summer and warmth in during the winter; a new entrance with very simple signage announcing the county fairground would be installed, along with a low fence not necessarily for security but to create a boundary; two crossings would be created across the creek; visitors would pass through a ticket booth to get inside the new arena area, which would have at least 30 parking spaces for the disabled, restrooms and concessions, pens and 90 covered stalls.

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Shelter news

As was reported previously in the Ruidoso News, the Lincoln County Humane Society has five young puppies in foster care who lost their mother to a predator when they were just a week old. The puppies are a border collie mix and they will be cute and smart.

While they can't be adopted at their current young age, they will be available for adoption in a few weeks. One is spoken for, but the other four are available to be adopted when they are a little older. If you want to adopt one of these little guys, call the shelter at (575) 257-9841.

The shelter had their best month ever for September at the Resale Shop. Since then, they are running low on furniture and appliances. If anyone has those items to donate, call the Resale Shop at (575) 378-1040 and schedule a pick up.

The shelter is gearing

up for the AKC Canine Good Citizen Program, where volunteers will teach shelter dogs 10 lessons to become better friends to people. Gail Hovious is heading the program up, and can be reached at (575) 808-0343 to volunteer.

The shelter is still in need of volunteers, especially at the shelter where dog walkers are needed.

The shelter is working feverishly to match the \$25,000 challenge grant from our anonymous donor. To date, they have raised almost \$25,000 and need everyone's support, no matter the amount, to reach the goal.

A few months ago, the shelter was flooded with runoff water and 3 inches of mud. They were looking at a huge bill to prevent a recurrence of flooding, but have since announced that the Forest Service has stepped up and taken responsibility for the needed repairs.

—From reports

The kindness of strangers

Friends of Help End Abuse for Life (HEAL) in Longview Washington are launching a fund raising effort in support of the Nest's Children Art Therapy Program. Georgia Guse' and her kids, Samantha and Adam Thompson, are organizing a social networking event committed to raising art supplies for the children of the Nest, a Domestic Violence Shelter in Ruidoso Downs.

Guse' has been a long time friend of Coleen Widell, HEAL's Executive Director. The two have been close friends though college in Washington State, but fell out of touch for almost a decade. Then, they reconnected through facebook.

"After reading HEAL's facebook posts and the newspaper articles about the children's program, I felt like I needed to help," Guse' said. "I was a single mom too, we struggled to make ends meet. I was falling apart half of the time, I was trying to do my best for my kids. You learn to put one foot in front of the other and just keep on marching, people helped me when I needed it, so now it is my turn to help someone else."

Guse' divorced her verbally abusive

husband more than twenty years ago. Samantha was 4, and her youngest Gordon was only 9 months old. They had a very difficult road, but their life experiences have made them who they are today. She is so very proud of the wonderful caring young adults they are today. She attributes her survival to the help of friends, family and random acts of kindness from strangers.

Now Guse' is the stranger helping residents of the Nest. She and her kids are raising supplies for the Nest's Art Therapy Program through Guse's Gourmet Coffee's facebook page. Guse' is collecting items at her coffee shop and at Sloan's Flooring and Scrap Happy, all businesses located in downtown Longview.

The Children's Program needs journals, craft kits & supplies, construction paper, glitter, glue, beads, clay, paint, books, educational DVD's with a positive message, play dough, crayons, markers, paint & paint brushes, display albums & books, decorative stickers and any art supplies are needed supplies. Miriam Moreno started the children's program with a \$100 gift card

donated by Ruidoso Downs Wal-Mart manager. Raymond Simpson. Since its inception, the children's program has really changed the mood of the kids at the Nest. According to Moreno, "The majority of our resources were concentrated on women, but with this program, the children are the center of attention. "Just the act of sitting down with a child and creating something together is very therapeutic. These children have their own stories. They need an outlet and the children's program is able to provide the children comfort, education and a voice."

"I understand the burden the women of the Nest carry," Guse' says. "As a mom, you want to make sure your kids are alright first and foremost. The kindness of many people helped me when I was facing challenging times, as a single mom with two kids. I want these moms to know they can make it through and that there are people out there willing to encourage them and cheer on their successes."

The Nest and its staff are available

See NEST, page 12A

Come kiss the Blarney Stone

Octoberfest has come and gone, and you know what that means.

Time to start planning for St. Patrick's Day! And here's an idea to ponder: St. Patrick's Day in Ireland with your ENMU friends!

For the last few years, ENMU Ruidoso has sponsored spring break trips to Europe. In March 2009, a group of about 30 instructors, students, associated friends and family, toured Italy and Greece. In March 2010, a group of about 10 toured Amsterdam, Brussels, Paris, and London. Plans are in the works for a 9-day March 2012 trip to Ireland and England.

Day 1 (March 16): Fly overnight to Ireland.

Day 2 (March 17): Arrive in Shannon, travel to Killarney. Celebrate St. Patrick's Day!

Day 3 (March 18): Take an excursion to the Ring of Kerry, visit the Bog Museum in Killarney.

Day 4 (March 19): Visit Blarney Castle and Cashel Rock on the way to Dublin.

Day 5 (March 20): Take a guided tour of Dublin, Georgian squares, O'Connell Street. See the Book of Kells at Trinity College and visit St. Patrick's Cathedral.

Day 6 (March 21): Take a ferry from Dublin

to Holyhead, Visit a Welsh castle, travel through Snowdonia, North Wales.

Day 7 (March 22): Take a tour of Stratford, visit Shakespeare's birthplace, visit Anne Hathaway's cottage, take a tour of Oxford, travel to London.

Day 8 (March 23): Take a guided tour of London, see Big Ben and Houses of Parliament, Piccadilly Circus, St. Paul's Cathedral, see the Changing of the Guard at Buckingham

Palace (if scheduled). Add an optional side trip to Windsor Castle.

Day 9 (March 23): Depart for home.

The tour company is called EF (Education First) Tours

and specializes in college study tours for students and instructors.

Many students point to their time abroad as a defining college experience. And it's no wonder. Studying abroad allows students to explore the world, experience new cultures, and complete coursework overseas. For the March 2012 ENMU Ruidoso trip, two courses are available to travelers. Holly Braden, Language Arts Department Chair, will be offering a British Literature course in conjunction with the trip.

Dawnn Moore, Hospitality & Tourism Department Chair, will be offering a Culinary Arts class in conjunction with the trip.

You're probably wondering about the cost.

Your investment of about \$3000 includes round-trip airfare, accommodations in clean, safe hotels with private bathrooms, a dedicated tour director who travels with the group from beginning to end, breakfast daily, five dinners, tours led by licensed local guides, transportation between destination cities and to all tour activities, most entrance fees and tickets.

Trip insurance and payment plans are available.

As a veteran EF Tours traveler, I have already made my down payment on the trip. The ENMU Ruidoso

trips to Italy, Greece, the Netherlands, France, and England were unforgettable experiences for me.

Plus, I hear that if I kiss the Blarney Stone, I will be granted the gift of eloquence. That's reason enough right there to go, right? There will be a meeting on Monday, October 24th, at 12 noon in Room 116 at the college to discuss travel plans for the trip. Any one who wishes to travel with the group and share in the fundraising activities should be at this meeting in order to receive financial help from these activities.

For additional information please contact Dawnn Moore or Holly Braden at (575) 257-2120.



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Bosc Pears

Bosc pears are crisp when raw and hold their shape beautifully when cooked. They have the best example of a soft yet grainy texture classically associated with pears. Their brownish russet skin is as easy to recognize as their classic pear shape. Ripe bosc pears will have a hardy pear aroma, especially when sniffed at the stem. Ripe ones will have a bit of give as you hold it firmly in your hand- avoid pressing down with your fingers into the pear to check for ripeness, since that can bruise the fruit.

Savory Bourbon-Glazed Pears

Pears sauteed in butter with a bit of bourbon, and a few chiles if that's your thing, make a perfect sweet yet savory side dish for fall and winter roasts. These pears are particularly delicious with pork. Think of them as a grown-up version of the classic applesauce side dish!

If you are making pork chops. Consider browning them in the pan and then using that pan, without washing it, to make the pears in. The bourbon will "de-glaze" the delicious browned bits form the meat and make the pears even more flavorful.

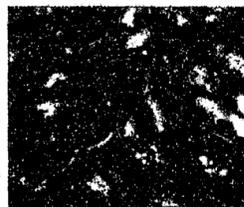
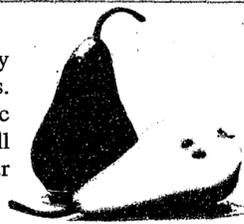
Prep Time: 10 minutes
Cook Time: 10 minutes
Total Time: 20 minutes

Ingredients:

- 4 pears
- 2 Tbsp. butter
- 2 Tbsp. bourbon
- 2 cloves garlic (optional)
- 2 small dried chiles such as arbol (optional)
- Salt to taste

Preparation:

1. Quarter, core, and peel pears. Cut each quarter into 2 or 3 wedges.
 2. Melt butter in a large frying pan over medium-high heat. Remove pan from stove and add bourbon. It will sizzle vigorously when you do this. Return pan to heat and add garlic and chiles, if using. Cook, stirring, until fragrant, about 1 minute.
 3. Add pears, sprinkle with salt, stir to combine and cook, covered, until pears are tender and shiny, about 5 minutes.
- Makes 4 to 6 servings Savory Bourbon-Glazed Pears.



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ICCA will be placing ads in newspapers, radio and running television spots this week asking people to bring in any old silver and gold coins made before 1970. Those that bring in their coins will be able to speak with collectors one on one and have their coins looked at by a specialist. With the help of these ICCA members, offers will be made to those that have coins made before 1970. Offers will be made based on silver or gold content and the rarity of the coins. All coins made before 1970 will be examined and purchased including gold coins, silver coins, silver dollars, all types of nickels and pennies. Those that decide to sell their coins will be paid on the spot.

If you are like a lot of people you might have a few old coins or even a coffee can full lying around. If you have ever wondered what they are worth now might be your chance to find out and even sell them if you choose. They could be worth a lot according to the International Coin Collectors Association also known as ICCA. Collectors will pay a fortune for some coins and currency for their collections. If it is rare enough, one coin could be worth over \$100,000 according to Eric Helms, coin collector and ICCA member. One ultra rare dime, an 1894S Barber, sold for a record \$1.9 million to a collector in July of 2007. While that is an extreme example, many rare and valuable coins are stashed away in dresser drawers or lock boxes around the country. The ICCA and its collector members have organized a traveling event in search of all types of coins and currency. Even common coins can be worth a significant amount due to the high price of silver and gold, says Helms. Washington quarters and Roosevelt dimes can be worth many times their face value. Recent silver markets have driven the price up on common coins made of silver. Helms explains that all half dollars, quarters and dimes made before 1965 contain 90% silver and are sought after any time silver prices rise. Right now it's a sellers market he said.

The rarest coins these collectors are looking for include \$20, \$10, \$5 and \$2 1/2 gold coins and any coin made before 1850. These

coins always bring big premiums according to the ICCA. Silver dollars are also very sought after nowadays.

Other types of items the ICCA will be purchasing during this event include U.S. currency, gold bullion, investment gold, silver bars, silver rounds, proof sets, etc. Even foreign coins are sought after and will be purchased.

Also at this event anyone can sell their gold jewelry, dental gold or anything made of gold on the spot. Gold is currently trading at Record Highs. Bring anything you think might be gold and the collectors will examine, test and price it for free. If you decide to sell, you will be paid on the spot - it has been an unknown fact that coin dealers have always paid more for jewelry and scrap gold than other jewelers and pawn brokers.

So whether you have one coin you think might be valuable or a large collection you recently inherited, you can talk to these collectors for free. If you're lucky you may have a rarity worth thousands. Either way there is nothing to lose and it sounds like fun!

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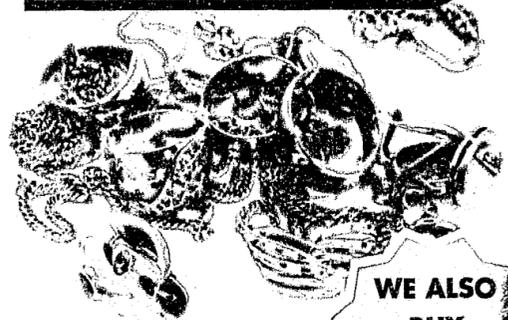


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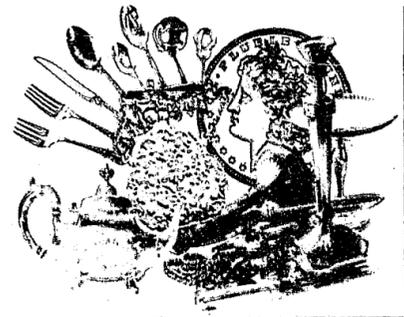
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FROM PAGE 10A

to assist and guide women and children who are victims of domestic violence. Each year, the program at the Nest continues to expand in response to the increased need for services.

Widell says, "The families that walk through our doors are escaping unspeakable violence. Our goal is to empower them to build their skills and self-esteem, become healthier and stronger in the process, and to prepare them for the next chapter. We help them navi-

gate the difficult road and achieve success. We could not do this without the generous support of our friends and the kindness of strangers."

The Youth and Family Link program, Sloan's Floor covering and Scrap Happy are all pleased to donate. They are caring people who, when asked, were willing and eager to help the children of the Nest who are so deserving of our compassion. Everyone has a network of friends. With the help of facebook, the Nest is reaching out to all of our friends and our friend's friends. Together, each person in the network chain is making a



Georgia Guse, of Guse's Gourmet Coffee in Longview, Wash., sorts through donations to the Nest's Children's Program.

difference. Guse, who manages her family coffee roasting business north of Portland, Ore., and her family are changing lives of

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Joe Fischer, a family friend of the Guse's, wanted to help with the project. In lieu of donating art supplies, Fischer instead sent a financial donation to the Nest in the name of the Children's Program.

Either supplies or monetary donations are gratefully accepted at the Nest, 26374 US Highway 70 in Ruidoso Downs, NM 88346. To learn more about HEAL& the Nest or Guse's Gourmet Coffee, find and "like" us on facebook or call the Nest at (575) 378-6378.

- From the Nest

Fibromyalgia help

Fibromyalgia is a condition in which a body "hurts all over," leaving patients tired and exhausted. It is a chronic condition in which the fascial, or connective tissues, tighten around nerves or blood vessels, causing widespread pain, tenderness and stiffness for millions of people across the country.

Fibromyalgia tends to be more common in women, and the exact cause is unknown. It can be difficult to diagnose and there is no specific test for it, but it is usually detected by performing various tests to rule out other diseases. Some symptoms of fibromyalgia include the following:

Pain in "tender points," including muscles, tendons, or joints on both sides of the body.

Sleep disturbances and fatigue due to lack of sleep.

Mental and/or emotional disturbances.

Headaches, dizziness, tingling, and abdominal pain.

The severity of these symptoms can vary depending on the weather, stress, physical activity, or even the time of day. Although it is not a progressive condition, it can lead to other conditions including depression, sleep deprivation, restless leg syndrome (RLS), irritable bowel syndrome (IBS), fatigue, rheumatoid arthritis, and arthritis.

If you think you may have fibromyalgia or your doctor diagnoses you with fibromyalgia, he or she is likely to prescribe medication, including pain medicine, anti-depressants, and anti-seizure drugs.

Although there is no known cure for fibromyalgia,

physical therapy has been shown to help ease symptoms of pain, fatigue, and stiffness. The most effective approach is patient education, stress management, consistent sleep patterns, regular exercise, and the manual therapy technique known as "Myofascial Release."

Exercises

Slow progressive exercises help fight the symptoms or help relieve the symptoms of fibromyalgia, stretching and maintaining good posture is also very important. Ask your therapist to find out what exercises will work best for you.

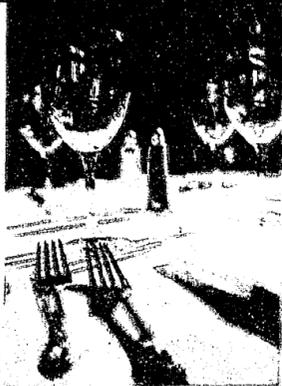
Myofascial Release is a form of stretching performed by the therapist. The therapist holds the stretch until the fascial tissue releases, which has a profound effect upon the body tissues. At The Ruidoso Physical Therapy Clinic, Inc. Lydia has been trained extensively by John Barnes, the creator of the Myofascial Release Technique. The clinic is located at 439 Mechem Drive in Ruidoso. Call (575) 257-1800 or look online at www.ruidosopt.com for more information.

The Lincoln County Fibromyalgia & Chronic Pain support group meets on the third Thursday of every month at the clinic from noon to 1 p.m.

For further information, please call Mary Barnett at 257-9810. The website for The National Fibromyalgia and Chronic Pain Association is: www.fmcp-aware.org.

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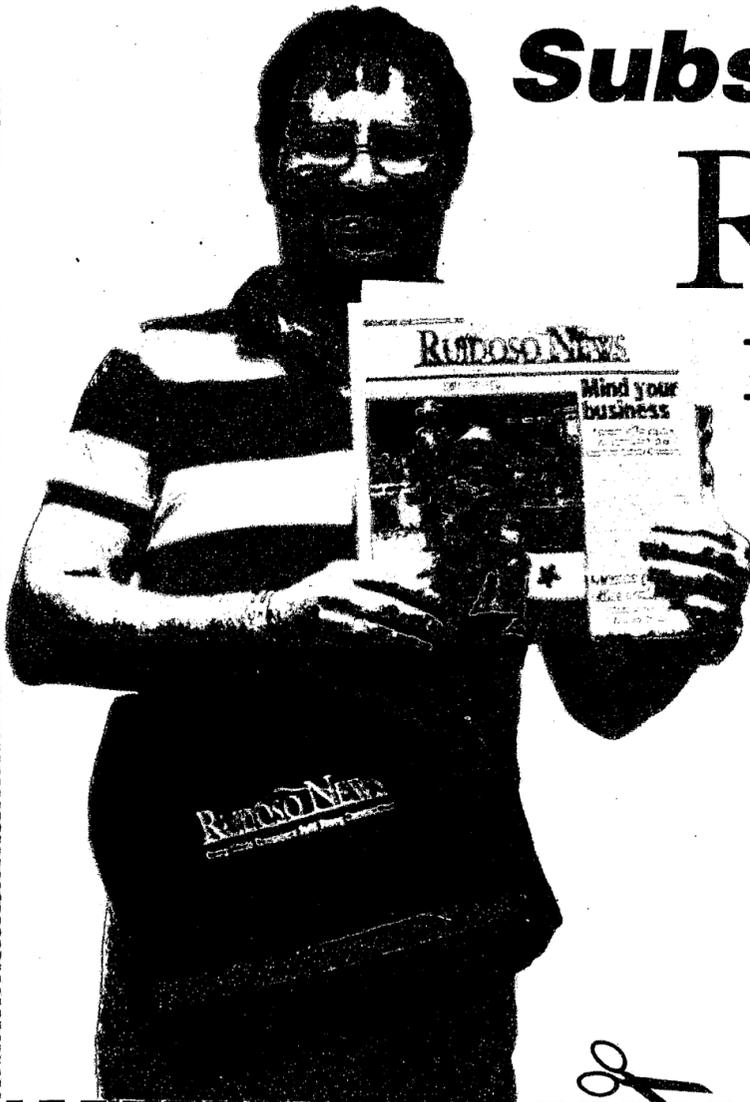
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Links residents take cover

Tree loss means no protection for houses, residents

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Longtime Ruidoso resident Wanda Shaw says since some of the large trees rimming The Links Golf Course succumbed to bark beetles and were removed, people living and walking around the course have been hit by flying balls and some cars were damaged.

She brought her complaints to the Village Council last week.

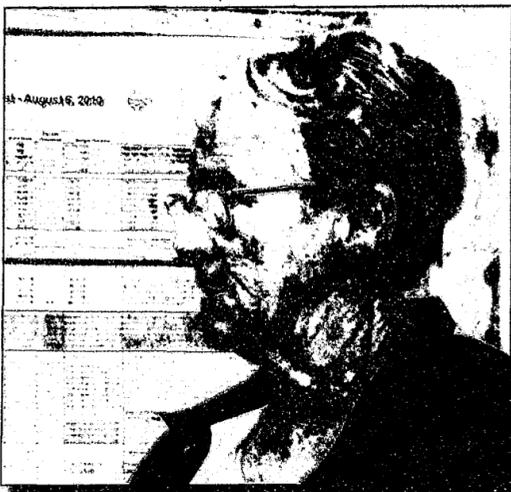
Shaw said she routinely finds golf balls in her yard and recently saw a woman knocked to her knees when she was hit by an airborne missile.

Shaw said when she spoke to the offending golfer, he told her that he shouted the warning of "four" to people down the green. "I told him people on the walking path (around the course) probably don't know what 'four' means. He walked off laughing," she said.

In August, her daughter's truck was hit by a golf ball on the hood and when she spoke to a course official, he said he needed a golf cart number to trace the offender. Three weeks ago, her car was hit and a year ago, her windshield was shattered, she said.

"Along the whole side of my house, the windows have been busted," Shaw said, adding that the fence in place is not high enough to be effective.

Under a former manager one year when damage occurred to her daughter's car, Shaw said he sent her directly to Sierra Blanca Motors for repairs, "but that's not the reaction anymore. Someone needs to take responsibility and fix



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Wanda Shaw brought her concerns before the Village Council last week, citing several incidents with golfers.

She's planted poplars, which are fast-growing and tall, but achieving enough size to deflect golf balls will take time, she said.

"I have been there long before the golf course was there," Shaw said.

Village Councilor Ron Hardeman said big Ponderosa pine trees used to act as a barrier, but they died and were cut down. The Links at Sierra Blanca Pro Eric Eggleston told councilors he recently planted spruce and pine, but again it will require time for them to grow to a sufficient height.

"We're looking at other types that grow faster such as willow and poplars," he said. As for fencing or netting, they either would have to be much higher or be staked closer to the structure being protected.

Eggleston said the trees that died were 30-feet to 40-feet high. The new trees are 5 feet to 6 feet. Even if older, taller trees were purchased and planted, their chances of

surviving depend on rainfall and other factors. The area continues to be in a drought and a dry winter is forecast.

"Even the small ones we planted are not doing well," Eggleston said.

Hardeman asked about netting and Eggleston said it is "fairly expensive" and must be close to the house. Councilor Denise Dean asked who purchased the netting she sees at some homes bordering greens at Cree Meadows Golf and Country Club. Eggleston said when he worked there, he ordered the netting, but homeowners paid for it. Hardeman suggested representatives of The Links meet with Shaw.

"Let's leave it to Eric and Mrs. Shaw to see if they can come to some compromise," he said. "I don't know if the village has the authority to put up a net. We own the land (on which The Links was created), but it's leased. I don't think the solution is to wait 10 to 12 years for the trees to grow."

Indigent care may see fed impact

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Lincoln County's Indigent Healthcare Fund remains healthy and the system seems to be working, but Lincoln County officials worry that revenue shortfalls at the state and federal levels might upset the locally successful program.

Commissioner Mark Doth said the future of programs to compensate health care providers for care given to patients who cannot pay seems to be in flux and under discussion between the state and the Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services.

One recommendation was to take all of revenues earmarked for indigent health care funds and put them into the Sole Community Provider Program designated to reimburse only hospitals for noncompensated care.

During a commission meeting last week, County Manager Tom Stewart said he opposes that suggestion, because not many counties are like Lincoln, with the luxury of a special voter approved property tax and gross receipt tax. Those counties depend only on a gross receipts tax to cover payments.

"If you only depend on a 1/8th of a cent GRT and try to make the Sole Community Provider payment and Indigent Healthcare payments and try to make the Medicaid payment, you're not going to get there in Lincoln County," Stewart said. "We have a good system that supports it across the board."

Other counties also could ask voters to approve up to a 4.25 special mill property

"So we're paying for indigents out of two funds, depending on where they go for treatment."

Kathryn Minter
Lincoln County commissioner

tax, he said. One mill equates to \$1 for each \$1,000 of taxable property value.

"The dilemma I find myself in when argue that is the 1/8th (gross receipts tax) can be used for all three payments, but the mill levy can only be used for support of the hospital, sole community and Medicaid," he said. Indigent health care reimbursement for providers independent of hospitals is not covered by the mill levy.

"I've suggested legislation to modify the 4.25 mills under the Hospital Funding Act to give counties the ability to be flexible," he said.

Because the county's Indigent Healthcare Fund is so healthy financially with new guidelines that tighten eligibility and set caps, Commissioner Kathryn Minter suggested looking next year at reducing the gross receipts tax that supports the fund.

But Commissioner Jackie Powell said it's more difficult to increase the tax later if needed.

Stewart said when voters first approved the Indigent Healthcare Fund to reimburse independent providers, some revenue was used occasionally for Medicaid and for the Sole Community Provider program benefiting the county hospital in a four dollar to one local dollar federal match.

The gross receipt tax that

supports the Indigent Healthcare Fund could not be reduced without severely cutting back the program, Stewart said, reminding commissioners that the fund also pays for medical care of inmates in the county jail.

Commissioners always have the option of reducing 3 mills authorized by voters in the last election for the hospital from the, he said. The county currently uses 2.6 mills of that cap.

Minter was confused and asked if the sole community program covers indigents.

"It's the source of the provider," that distinguishes the different funds, Stewart replied.

"So we are paying for indigents out of two funds, depending on where they go for treatment," Minter clarified.

On top of that, the state charges an amount equal to one-sixteenth of a cent of gross receipt taxes collected by the county as a separate payment to the state Medicaid Fund, Stewart added. This year that payment was \$286,000, he said.

On Annala's recommendation, commissioners approved 40 of 42 Sole Community provider claims submitted this month for a total of \$69,728.05.

Under the Indigent Healthcare Fund, 56 of 71 claims were approved for a total of \$23,340.50. For the last two years, the average monthly payment was \$26,234 and \$36,466, respectively.

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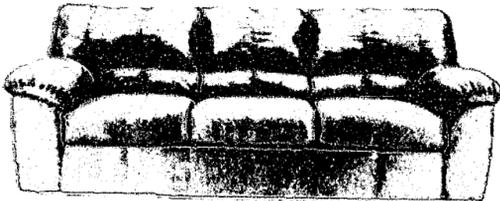
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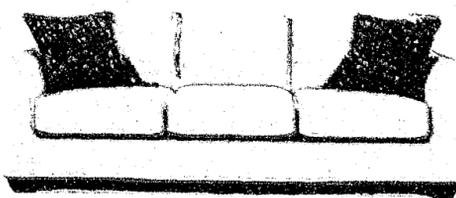
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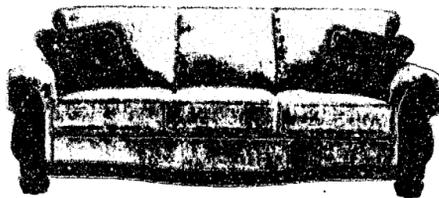
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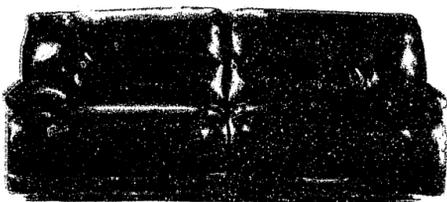
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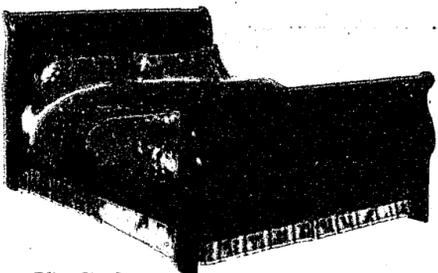
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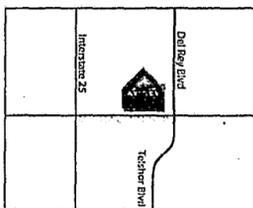
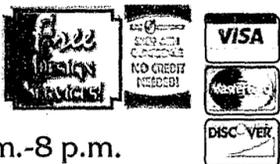
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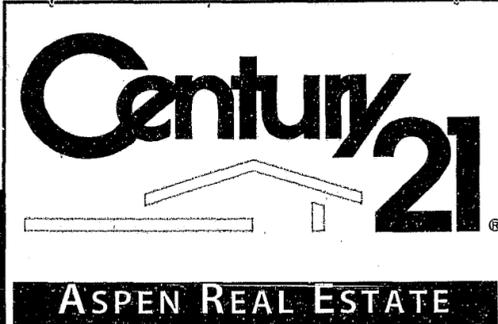
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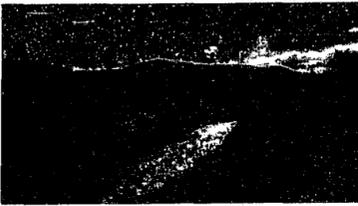


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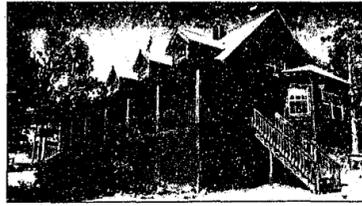
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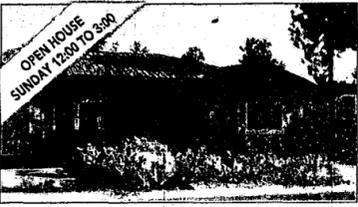
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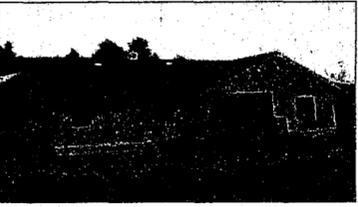
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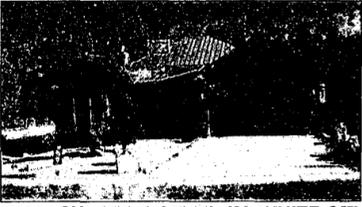
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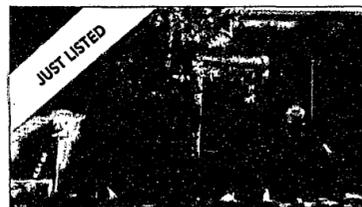
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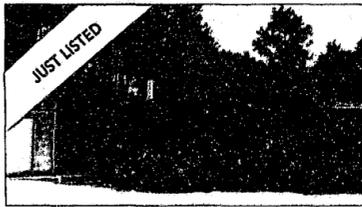
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'You can't take your eyes off the ball'

Volleyball program strives to bring a higher level of play to Ruidoso High School

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Part philosopher, part counselor, part teacher, Marie Garcia incorporates all three disciplines — and more — into her role as Ruidoso first-year head volleyball coach.

"Coaching volleyball is a dream come true," she said. "My goal is, and has been all season, to bring a higher level of play to Ruidoso High School. And we have maintained that mission throughout our season."

Garcia brings with her a wealth of experience in volleyball. Excluding the last six years she officiated the game for 17 years, including state tournaments. Additionally, her daughter, Leah Lovato, a former volleyball player, is her assistant coach as well as being the coach of the JV team.

"Her help and experience has been immeasurable," Garcia said.

Adversity can be an excellent teaching aid in almost all sports and volleyball is no exception. Nearing the finish of the season, with two games left to play, the Lady Warriors are currently 8-10, 0-3, but for them the end hasn't arrived.

And until it does, they will continue to give their all until the "fat lady" has sung her final aria.

"It's not yet over," Garcia explained. "And until it is, I tell the girls to go back within and find more in themselves. The volleyball court is their stage where they perform under intense pressure."

"I tell them to be passionate, have a sense of pride and put it all out there."

"We want to finish strong and to do that the girls need to apply every experience from every match they've played so far and end the season well."

Garcia is not the only first-year addition to the Lady Warriors volleyball team. With the exception of Madigan Gonzales (junior) and Jordan Mowdy (senior), the rest of the players on the roster are all maiden varsity athletes.

"Before the season began, I knew we had a lot of work to do," Garcia said. "In the beginning they played not to lose — now they play to win. This is a young team and they needed to work hard to get better."

After the season had begun, and towards the middle of the schedule, the Lady Warriors had to deal with team injuries — common volleyball impairments such as twisted ankles and the like. This forced Garcia to make positional changes, juggle players in and out, in an effort to play better and win.

"Volleyball is a technical game. It is a quick sport. For instance, you can't eye-flick (take your eyes off the ball for a fraction of a second).

"You need to have a tenacious spirit and go out there and deal with the matters at hand under a burden of severe stress. Along the way, I've emphasized the importance of humility so they will, among other things, help our younger players progress."

"I try to teach them to use the energy from negativity and make good things hap-



LAYNE HOLLAND/FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Madigan Gonzales slams one across the net to Portales defenders Tuesday as Hannah Lindsey, No. 14, watches and Emma Lindsey, No. 9, roots from the bench. The Lady Warriors lost 3-1.

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Lessons learned: Travel ball, the realities

Do you want to spend your son's (or daughter's) teenage years bonding with them while they learn about life through baseball/softball?

Were you fortunate enough to retire early from Bernard Madoff and Associates, Goldman Sachs, or do you just want to deplete all your available savings?

If you don't mind washing uniforms at 2 a.m. for the next morning's game, dealing with dirt bags at low budget motels, and athlete's feet smells as fresh to you as Irish Spring, you could be a contender.

If you answered yes to any of these questions, travel ball, along with gray hair, heart flutters, life-long psychiatric care and perpetual anxiety is there for you.

My son and I have traveled across New Mexico and Texas since January, playing baseball, over a hundred games in total,

in three different leagues, in various tournaments, on winning and losing teams.

Travel ball means dealing with inconveniences such as long, weekly drives to practice and games, along with wear and tear and high miles on your vehicle while money for his college fund goes into the gas tank to pay for fuel.

Eating out even becomes a chore. I have memorized, IHOP breakfast menus, had servers screw up our orders at four different Village Inns (Idiots), come to despise Olive Garden, I am burnt out from Subways and

Quiznos, and I now rationalize that the choice of cuisine is contingent on the number and quality of hits my boy gets.

Being on the road often, I've come to question many things. I ask myself, why do some restaurants with their water-saving, environmentally friendly, auto-

matic toilets, flush four times before you even sit down?

What kind of secret-society, hand signal do you have to make to get automatic faucets and towel dispensers to do the job they were intended?

Why do waitresses ask me what kind of dressing I want when I ask for a Caesar Salad? Why do the same hostesses see my son wearing his baseball cap, uniform shirt, pants, and socks and just because it's the fall, invariably ask, "Is your boy playing soccer?"

Why isn't it a felony when a car parks in a no parking spot at the ball park-blocking your exit from the port-a-san?

Why do clerks at Walgreens look at my mid-section when I place Ensures on the counter next to ice for the game? Obviously, they're not for me.

The diversity of kids on the team is what I find appealing. On one team most were all consummate professionals.

On another team, I've actually heard some kids jokingly com-

plaining to the coach when he puts them in the game, saying, "Do I have to, Coach? It's Bobby's turn."

Then there are several perennial bench warmers that bring their own comfy, folding chairs with them into the dugout. One day as I walked by I could swear one kid was crocheting but upon my return he was sitting there drinking a mocha, no quilts in sight.

I told my son that with work, some players will play high school, college, or perhaps Major League baseball. I said, "Don't forget about the kid sitting in the dugout with his own chair. He'll wind up owning a Major League team."

One tough thing is that your kid is constantly auditioning. Each team is a new set of personalities.

He has to prove himself all over. During his first practice this fall, my son competed against a big, strapping Native

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New furor over Title IX and sports

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SANTA FE — In the early 1970s, the most talented golfer at Robert H. Goddard High School in Roswell had no team to play on.

Interscholastic golf was the exclusive province of Goddard's boys during that era, even though few of them could play on the level of their phenomenal classmate, Nancy Lopez.

Title IX, the law mandating gender equality in

school athletics, came just in time for Lopez.

Congress approved the measure in 1972, and Lopez won a spot on the Goddard boys' team the following year. She helped Goddard win two boys' state championships before going on to a hall-of-fame professional career on the women's tour.

Almost 40 years after that impressive breakthrough, one legislator in New Mexico says fallout from the law is teaching all the wrong values.

State Rep. Dennis Roch, R-Texico, says hard-working sports teams that raise money for their program have to share it with the lazy ones. Other legislators say his interpretation may be faulty.

Now a subcommittee of legislators will examine the complaints of Roch and others to determine if a New Mexico law that supplements Title IX should be modified.

For his part, Roch said the state law might need to be repealed, as it is cre-

ating a hardship on schools.

Nothing was controversial about the New Mexico School Athletics Equity Act when it came before the Legislature in 2009.

Its sponsor, Rep. Danice Picraux, D-Albuquerque, said the bill would shed light on school athletic programs, including equal opportunities for boys and girls.

She crafted the law to require public reporting of

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RHS

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pen and that there is a discipline in volleyball to develop your role, improve your position and increase your commitment.

"Plus, they have to put up with me. They're trying hard and I appreciate their courage."

Tuesday's game with

Portales epitomizes the determination of Garcia's team and what she tries to impart to them.

The first set ended with Ruidoso on top, 27-25, and although Portales won the remaining three sets, 25-23, 26-24 and 25-10, the visitors knew they were in a scrap.

"During that game I told the girls, 'This is a dogfight and there's only one bone to be had out there on that

court. Now, who wants it?' Portales is an excellent defensive volleyball team and to expect to beat them you have to have continuity and cohesiveness.

"I don't sugarcoat things. 'Mental' is where most of this game is. You have to have skills and face your fears."

Garcia's mentoring is not just relegated to volleyball mechanics on the court.

Recently, she and Leah

came up with the idea of the Warrior Woman — a mannequin head, which symbolizes traits that female athletes can identify with.

"It's a tangible thing which signifies, among other things, that beauty comes from within," Garcia explained.

"The girls bring in personal trinkets and attach them to the Woman Warrior's dreadlocks. It's a foundation of who we are."

Before the games, while in a huddle, one of the girls — Madigan Gonzales — yells out, "You mess with a Warrior, you get the tribe."

That announcement is usually followed by Destri Vincent who hollers, "Ready, on three — hooah!"

With two games left in the regular season (at Roswell, Saturday, 5 p.m., and at Portales, Oct. 29, 3 p.m.), the goal of the Lady Warriors still is ongoing.

"We're developing a volleyball program at RHS for the future and our work is not done," Garcia said. "Respect is a consequential part of our process. It is an absolute. It has to be earned, it's a two-way street."

"Sports is an extension of the classroom at RHS. The girls are taught to bring respect with them from class to the court and vice versa."

LESSONS

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American kid. Johnny was the homer guy in Little League but now with wood bats, faster pitching, bigger fields, and ninety foot base paths, he was reduced to a .142 batting average.

His father used to stand fifteen feet from 3rd and 2nd base and hit grounders during practice. As my kid took his turn to field, the old man put down the wood stick and picked up a metal bat.

A constant set of volleys resembling musket balls were shot out, my son trying to stop them, every fourth or fifth baseball hitting him squarely in the jaw, nose, or mouth.

The father looked over at me and I gave him the stare which invariably conveyed, "Surely, you can hit them harder?" My kid

walked off the field later, showing not a morsel of emotion.

As the season progressed, the pressure was too much for the father. At one game he almost had a fist fight with another parent in the stands. Strangely, after our initial meeting, he always came up to me and shook my hand. Johnny quit before our last two games. I'm sure his father's beatings had something to do with it.

At this level you will see superstars fade and they slowly drop out. Jesus was a speedy centerfielder who forgot how to hit.

He cursed out a coach and left midway during the game. Elijah was a good player who played because his father coached for 19 years.

After a Dallas World Series, the head coach told him to leave and not come back. I think that gang banging appealed to little

Elijah more than baseball.

On constant is the difference in coaching styles. My kid warmed the bench through much of the spring on a very competitive team. He shut his mouth and waited for his chance while I overdosed on Xanax and chili dogs. He finally got his chance with a subsequent break-out in hitting coupled with spectacular catches in the field.

He helped the team come from behind in the loser's bracket seed and win six games in seven days, in 112 degree, desert heat, to come within one win of winning the City Championship, finishing second. He batted fifth in that game and his coach now refers to him as a solid player. He gave that coach, the one that benched him most of the season, a thank you plaque because he stuck by him. He learned more on that bench, talking

baseball strategy with the coach, then in all his previous years. My son even went to the movies a couple of times with the coach's son.

In Fall Ball, we are also blessed with coaches that really care about the kids. We are now chilled to the bone during morning and late afternoon games. Still batting fifth, he is batting well over .300 with singles and long, line-drive doubles, RBIs, several stolen bases and a reliable glove in the field.

Coaches from several teams have invited him back to play next year. He has made some great friends.

Travel ball is not for the easily frustrated. If coaches sense an attitude, you're benched. In both cities, they picked my kid not because of ability but because of his attitude. He has to be coachable. Arrogant parents, those that give the initial

impression that they know more than the coach, many times are the reason their child does not make the team.

It is also about dedication. There are many kids in the big cities that did not make the team. Most of the players practice daily and take hitting lessons. My son also practices daily for at least a couple of hours.

It's all about competition. One team he played for, lets call them the Bad News Bears, smoked the Ruidoso travel team several years ago, 22-2. This fall my son has had hits against the best pitchers in Albuquerque, including the prestigious Albuquerque Baseball Academy. On his other team, he played with all-stars from Juarez, Mexico. Another teammate was Japanese and he was formerly the best teenage softball player in Japan before moving to El Paso.

Fall-ballers are the athletes that stick to one sport. They would rather be expert in one than a jack of all trades. Most of these kids want to play high school ball and love the game.

For the parents that think that all-year-round, travel ball will better prepare their teenagers for high school and particularly college ball, while it definitely will help, think about this. You may well spend more money traveling around the state or country playing travel ball then the money that you will save if your son is lucky enough to get a baseball scholarship. If your goal is to teach him/her life lessons: humility, perseverance, dedication, and sportsmanship—something long since forgotten in youth sports, this may be your ticket. As for me, it has given me memories of a lifetime and I relish every moment.

FUROR

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statistical information such as school enrollments, participation in sports, fundraising and expenditures on athletic programs.

The state Senate and House of Representatives approved the measure without any dissenting votes.

It took effect in August of this year. In the 2 1/2 months since, complaints about the law have mounted.

Roch, an associate school superintendent and

former coach of boys' and girls' athletic teams, said the law had created burdens on schools and uncertainty about how sports programs can be run.

For instance, he said, if a boys' basketball team makes the playoffs and therefore spends more on travel, has the girls' team that did not qualify for the post-season been short-changed financially?

Many legislators considered that purported problem to be a reach, not a practical concern.

A more important issue to Roch is expenditures made on individual teams.

Certain boosters raise a lot of money to help their

team with travel expenses or uniforms. Why should they have to share their money with other teams that showed no initiative? Roch asked.

He said the state law borders on being un-American, as it provides a disincentive to hard work.

But does the law really do those onerous things?

Rep. Rick Miera, chairman of a legislative committee on education, said Roch and others may be interpreting or extrapolating, then drawing conclusions that have nothing to do with the law.

Miera, D-Albuquerque, said the state law could not — and did not —

change any federal requirements for gender equity in athletics.

Rather, he said, the New Mexico statute merely set forth a system by which schools have to make public how their athletic programs operate.

But Miera conceded that the law had raised many questions, concerns and complaints.

So on Friday he appointed a subcommittee to review the law, and to determine if additional legislation is needed to help schools and the New Mexico Activities Association with the reporting requirements.

The activities associa-

tion has assumed some recordkeeping responsibilities for high schools, even though it is private entity not overseen by the Legislature.

One question that lawmakers want answered is whether the law has created additional burdens on schools in terms of paperwork.

But Miera's committee also heard from an advocate of the measure who said it already had made at least one playing field more even.

Dorene Kuffer, legal director of the Southwest Women's Law Center, said that the scrutiny created by the state law was prov-

ing to be good for everyone.

She said it prompted one high school to fix an unfair disparity between its girls' and boys' sports programs. Kuffer did not identify the school, except to say it was in southeastern New Mexico.

Miera said the subcommittee would do its work this fall to determine if another bill on athletic accountability is necessary. If so, the Legislature could tackle the issue during its 30-day session starting in January.

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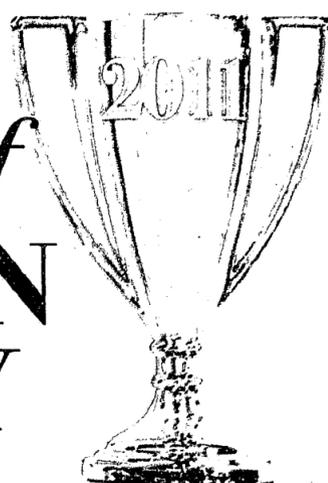
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Proving your faith

Q: Do Jews believe that Jesus did not perform the miracles the Bible claims He did?

On the other hand, if Jews do believe Jesus performed miracles and healed hundreds of people, why don't they believe He is the Son of God? How could someone perform miracles and not be divine? — G.

A: I receive many versions of your question and they all focus on the same issues:

1. Jesus either did or did not perform miracles.
2. If he did perform miracles, Jews should become Christians.
3. If Jesus did not perform the miracles, Jesus is a liar.
4. Are you calling Jesus a liar?

The problem with this line of argument is that only the Christian Testament, and not the Hebrew Bible, makes such claims.

Jews, Muslims, Hindus and others don't accept the Christian Testament as God's word. Therefore, all non-Christian religions do not accept Jesus' messianic claims.

Islam, you should know, accepts some of the Christian claims but not the essential Christian claim of Jesus' resurrection from the dead. It should be obvious that claims within one's religion are not convincing to those outside one's religion.

You cannot quote your own scripture to refute the scripture of another faith.

There's one more point that makes the dialogue between Jews and Christians somewhat asymmetrical. Christians cannot understand themselves spiritually without understanding themselves as having come from Jews and Judaism.

Jesus and all his early followers were Jews. However, conversely, Jews don't need to understand themselves in relation to Christianity because Christianity came later.

The way Fr. Tom and I worked this out in our friendship was that we agreed to disagree about Jesus, then proceeded to try to make the common

ethical teachings of Judaism and Christianity real in our broken world. When people ask me if I believe Jesus was the Son of God, I try to say in a friendly but firm way, "I don't believe he was, but after we die we will all know for sure."

I will say that if Jesus was the Messiah, you may well hear the distant echo of my voice after my death calling out from another world, "Oy Vey!"

Look, we can either be friends and co-workers in fixing the world, or we can be targets for conversion. We can't be both to each other. So I

remain, in friendship, Rabbi Marc Gellman. I hope that's good enough for you until the end of your days.

Q: I'd like to wear the Star of David and the Cross together as necklaces. Would this be acceptable, or would both Jews and Christians find it offensive? — B.

A: I'm not a fan of jewelry in general, but I am a big fan of religious jewelry. Wearing a necklace with a religious symbol on it is a clear sign of public pride in your faith and that's a good thing in my view.

However, combining symbols from two different faiths is both confusing and inauthentic to both traditions.

The teachings of Judaism and Christianity are different in important respects, so what would you intend to say by wearing both symbols?

Would you be saying that Jesus both IS and IS NOT the Messiah? How can that be? If you'd be trying to say that all faiths have a common ethical core and teach us to have hope that death is not the end of us, that's fine.

The use of contradictory symbols only muddies the waters, though, and blunts the message that you have a clear religious identity and that this identity fills

you with pride.

Flip a coin. Make a choice and leave one of your necklaces in the jewelry box.

Q: My grandmother was always in my life. We all assumed she was foreign-born, as she had a thick accent and some "old-timey" ways.

However, she'd never tell us anything about her past, and would get angry when asked about it.

Many years later, I found her marriage license to her first husband. From that I was able to go online to see a ship's manifest, where she was listed as a Russian Jew.

Her children were not raised in any religion. My grandmother was an extraordinary woman. She was a tough old bird in the best sense, and we've all been proud to have part of her in us.

I'm sad to know nothing about her Jewish childhood and would like to be able to know about the rest of her life, if possible, to share with my children and grandchildren. Any thoughts? — S.

A: The death of a beloved grandmother brings great sadness. May God comfort you.

Sadder still is the death of our personal histories. There may be ways to fill in the gaps of your grandmother's life by speaking with any living members of her generation.

I hope you don't mind me using your question to make an appeal to all readers to do everything possible to discover and record their family histories.

If elderly relatives resist, perhaps they'd agree to be interviewed by someone outside the family.

We need to know our roots for spiritual, historical and even medical reasons. Such stories must not be allowed to pass with the generations into dust.



MARC GELLMAN
THE GOD SQUAD

They began as holy days

The holiday season is almost upon us.

Thanksgiving is five weeks away and Christmas and New Years Day are five and six weeks away from Thanksgiving. Between now and those three holidays, we have the World Series, the beginning of the basketball season (for everyone except the pros), the college bowl games, the high school football playoffs, and a myriad

of holiday activities. I think we sometimes forget the origin of the holidays. The practice of recognizing special days really began as a religious practice. In fact, the word "holiday" comes

from the words "holy day"...

days set apart to recognize God's gracious blessings. These days are usually days of indulgence. We usually overdo food, family, festivities, and football. For all our years as a family, we

had those special days...Easter, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. Of course, we celebrated birthdays, anniversaries, baptisms, graduations, and other significant times.

With a family as large as ours, it seemed as if every week something brought a reason for celebration. In fact, life seemed to be just one big celebration. Not that

there is anything wrong with that, but when we retired and moved to Ruidoso, many changes were brought about.

The first thing that passed was our family Christmas

get together. We had those traditions...Alice' birthday breakfast on Christmas Eve, then our family lunch, the special Christmas story by Alice, the exchange of gifts (I was Santa, of course), and the Christmas

Eve Lord's Supper at the church. All that changed when we moved to Ruidoso.

On that last Christmas Eve, I explained to our children and grand children that it was time for them to begin their own Christmas tradition. We would not be back to celebrate with them. In fact, the only tradition, that we maintain as a family, is the Thanksgiving family Reunion.

It is truly a "holy day". We rejoice in the babies born during the year, graduations, weddings, baptisms, and other special times for the recognition of God's grace extended to us.

We have a special time for celebrating the good and asking prayer for the difficult.

I believe that every family should have a time when they can get together for that special "holy day" of togetherness.

I have come to understand that it is the giving of ourselves to one another in that special time that makes the "day, holy". God gives us help for today and hope for tomorrow in those special holidays.



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Carrying on firefighting tradition

PATRICK MASSEY
For the Ruidoso News

Everyone in the United States has heard of Amelia Earhart. Her record-setting firsts and her tragic disappearance still catch the attention and admiration of people today.

But how about Jennifer Bartley, a young female helicopter pilot who uses her flying skills to combat forest fires around the country?

Bartley's mother, Lisa, is a firefighter with Bonito Volunteer Fire Department and her father, Carl, is the Bonito department chief, as well as president of City Bank in Ruidoso.

Many Arkansas locals have seen Bartley's aircraft in action around Sevier County, but most know nothing about the 24-year-old woman behind the controls.

Bartley has been stationed at the Sevier County Airport since July, the traditional start of fire season in this part of the world.

A pilot for the national aerial firefighting company, Aerotech, she doesn't quite fit the image of a typical helicopter pilot.

"Most of the guys who do this flew in the military, so I turn a few heads when people find out I fly helicopters," Bartley laughed.

Tall with long, dark hair and a carefree personality, Bartley could be easily confused for a college student.

But this 24-year-old New Mexico native already has marked a half-decade of flying helicopters in firefighting missions.

A native of Ruidoso, Bartley is not the first woman in her family to break tradition and enter the firefighting profession.

"Both of my parents were firefighters but my

mom was a lot more into it," she said. "She really helped me develop a passion for this."

Bartley started battling blazes when she still was in high school.

She gained an interest in aerial firefighting during her time with the local fire department, and decided to enter helicopter flight school after talking to a veteran who flew helicopters in Vietnam.

"Originally I thought I wanted to be a fixed-wing pilot, but he told me this is where it's at so I did it," she said. "I haven't had any regrets yet."

When she enrolled into the flight school in Salt Lake City at the age of 18, she was the only woman in the class and one of the youngest.

Several other female candidates enrolled later on but at the time woman helicopter pilots still were uncommon.

"It's a man's world, but I was used to the kind of brotherhood you have in groups like these so it wasn't a problem," she explained. "I knew I had to prove myself just as much, if not more, than the others, but this is what I wanted to do so I didn't have any trouble working hard to get it."

The one-and-a-half year flight program cost approximately \$100,000 and was extremely intensive.

Bartley didn't work and focused on the program, where she received most of the flight ratings available.

After graduating with her helicopter license, she started working for Aerotech as an aerial firefighter.

The job has taken her all over the country including Alaska, and she has piloted almost a dozen different helicopters in the process.

She logged some flight time in the Gulf during the BP oil spill last year.

Now stationed in Sevier County, where a record drought has created extreme fire conditions, Bartley is hardly outside of her helicopter.

She's logged more than 200 hours of flight time since July, and dropped around 180,000 gallons of water on local blazes.

"It's been a busy summer," Bartley said, with more than a little understatement.

She's earned an immense reputation with local firefighters, who often see her working for hours without rest, constantly collecting water, dropping it, refueling her helicopter and then starting all over again.

Bartley's parents, while they support her in her career choice, it's not without a little parental concern.

"They worry a lot but I know they're really proud of what I'm doing," she said. Her travels don't take her home to Ruidoso often, but she's grown to love the lifestyle.

"It's a lot of travel so you kind of have to enjoy the gypsy lifestyle, because you never know where you're going or when you'll be going there, but once you get into it, there's no turning back."

Spurning the comforts of a motel room, Bartley has lived in a tent on the airport tarmac since coming to Sevier County.

It keeps her close to her aircraft and able to hang out with the other pilots who frequent the airport.

She rides a bicycle around the airport when she's not in the air, and she's been trying to learn to play the guitar, without a lot of luck she admits.



Jennifer Bartley stands on the airstrip in De Queen, Ariz. Daughter of Bonito firefighters Carl and Lisa Bartley, she has taken the family vocation higher after obtaining her pilot's license.

"Fortunately my flying skills are a lot better than my playing skills," she laughed.

Bartley's not sure when the company will relocate her. It could be tomorrow, or it could be two weeks.

Regardless of when she moves on to her next job, she's found her niche in life and she hasn't had any regrets.

"Everyone thinks I'm crazy, but I love what I'm doing," Bartley said. "I'm where I want to be and I can't complain."

To help encourage other young women to enter the profession, Bartley is a member and advocate of the Whirly-Girls organization, which provides guidance and scholarships to women wanting to become

helicopter pilots. She shared a little advice at the end of the interview for any local girls who want to follow her footsteps.

"It's a lot of hard work but if you want something bad enough, keeping pushing and don't give up," Bartley said. "If this job was easy, everyone would be doing it."

Once, a tenderfoot

The old cowboy shrugged on his jacket, pulling it up tight around his neck, tucking in his neck scarf while he fished to match buttons to buttonholes to close out the sharp cold of the fall morning.

Pulling worn gloves over his gnarled leathery hands, he tugged his hat down tight against the wind that had blown in before daylight. He headed out to begin another day.

Small dust devils swirled through the distant corrals where the saddle horses stood, tails

to the wind, munching on the last of the hay tossed to them the night before.

Not so many years ago, his stride became a long shuffle and he felt every cold day of his life in his knees and hips.

Nowhere in his countenance remained even the slightest trace of the tenderfoot he had once been.

Tenderfoot: a boy who has not yet had the wonder rubbed off him.

For a moment, he recalled that greenhorn lad he'd been, orphaned when he was a teen and taken in to be raised by grandparents he barely

knew. Sullen, angry and determined, he told himself he would never be part of their life on that "god-forsaken ranch" so remote from the city existence he'd lived.

One day at a time and with great patience his grandfather put the pieces of his heart back together. It started with a horse to call his own and a Border Collie puppy that licked his face

every chance he got and followed in his footsteps all day long. It followed with the long days of cattle work in the spring and witnessing the rebirth of everything living — new baby calves, the brown of winter turning to green followed by the bloom of summer.

Lazy summers were a myth that dissipated into rolling waves of grasses standing in hay fields waiting for harvest.

Every fall arrived with the colors of turning leaves, boiling dust as cattle trucks left loaded with another year's calf crop and the first snows blanketing everything with a seasonal quiet.

Year after year, layer upon layer, the love the land, love of the life seeped into his soul until he knew no other except in faint glimmer of yesterday.

Referencing old cowboys, Wallace Stegner wrote in *Wolf Willow: A History, a Story, and a Memory of the Last Plains Frontier*. "They do not tell their stories in Technicolor; they would not want to seem to adorn a tale or brag themselves up. The callouses of a life of hard-

ship blunt their sensibilities to their own experience." Calloused memories. Within each of us is that tenderfoot who began with the wonder of life intact.

Whether we chose to peel back the layers and stay in touch with the Technicolor, or forge ahead to new rainbows, our roots remain in innocence.

At the close of the day, the old cowboy will dust off his hat and britches much like he dusts off his memories. Both are old, worn and with a lot of character. It's not a bad place to be when near the end of the road.

Julie can be reached for comment at jcarternm@gmail.com



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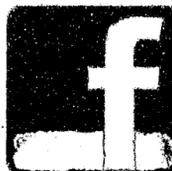
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RUIDOSO MAGISTRATE COURT BRIEFS

Aug. 31

Billie McCoy pleaded no contest to DWI (first offense).

Judge Warren Walton sentenced McCoy to 24 hours of community service, 364 days probation and \$741 in fines and fees.

Hans Falkner pleaded no contest to possession of drug paraphernalia.

Walton sentenced Falkner to 182 unsupervised probation and \$148 in fines and fees.

Sept. 1

Jose Angel Padilla pleaded no contest to battery on a household mem-

ber. Walton sentenced Padilla to 364 days supervised probation and \$573 in fines and fees.

Walton found **Jerry Hipley** guilty of use of telephone to intimidate, threaten, harass, annoy or offend and sentenced Hipley to 364 days unsupervised probation and \$173 in fines and fees.

Sammi Reynolds pleaded guilty to battery.

Walton sentenced Reynolds to 182 days unsupervised probation and \$73 in fees.

Jennifer Harris pleaded no contest to possession of drug paraphernalia.

Walton sentenced **Harris** to 364 days in jail, time served and credit for \$148 in fines and fees at \$58 per day served.

Sept. 7

Joshua Palomino pleaded no contest to DWI (first offense).

The state dismissed charges of no registration, no license, no insurance, failure to give notice of accident, and leaving the scene of an accident.

Judge Lorena LaMay sentenced Palomino to 24 hours community service, 364 days supervised probation, DWI School, ignition interlock device installation

and \$441 in fines and fees. **Nathaniel Chee** pleaded no contest to DWI (first offense)

The state dismissed charges of open container and equipment violation.

LaMay sentenced Chee to 364 days supervised probation, DWI School, 24 hours community service, ignition interlock device installation and \$441 in fines and fees.

Curt Elliot pleaded no contest to DWI (first offense) and open container.

LaMay sentenced Elliot to 364 days supervised probation, DWI School, 24 hours community service, ignition interlock device installation and \$527 in fines

and fees. **Elizabeth Jones** pleaded no contest to DWI (first offense)

The state dismissed aggravated DWI and roadways lanned for traffic.

LaMay sentenced Jones to 364 days supervised probation, DWI School, ignition interlock device installation, 24 hours of community service and \$241 in fees.

Sept. 8

Catalina Lopez-Escarcega pleaded guilty to child abandonment.

LaMay sentenced Lopez-Escarcega to 71 days in jail, 293 days unsupervised pro-

bation and \$73 in fees.

Sept. 14

The state dismissed charges against **Ray T. Barela**.

LaMay found **Francis Tsosie** guilty of DWI (third offense)

The state dismissed aggravated DWI and resisting, evading or obstructing an officer.

LaMay sentenced Tsosie to 30 days in jail, beginning in April 2012, five years supervised probation, 96 hours community service, three years with an ignition interlock device and \$991 in

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finest and fees.

David Zubrod pleaded no contest to DWI (first offense) and careless driving. The state dismissed a charge of no insurance.

LaMay sentenced Zubrod to 364 days supervised probation, DWI School, 24 hours of community service, installation of an ignition interlock device and \$902 in fines and fees.

Anita Millerden pleaded no contest to driving without a license. The state amended the charge of driving while license suspended.

LaMay sentenced Millerden to 90 days unsu-

pervised probation and \$131 in fines and fees.

Erby Mexicano pleaded no contest to DWI (first offense, open container and driving without a license.

LaMay sentenced Mexicano to 75 days in jail, time served, 24 hours community service, installation of an ignition interlock device, DWI School and \$656 in fines and fees.

Sept. 15

Gilbert Vigil pleaded no contest to assault and public affray.

LaMay sentenced Vigil to 364 days supervised probation and \$726 in fines and fees.

Savanna Holder pleaded no contest to

minor in possession of alcoholic beverage.

LaMay sentenced Holder to 364 days unsupervised probation, 30 hours of community service and \$273 in fines and fees.

Marcella Ibarra pleaded no contest to disorderly conduct.

The state dismissed a charge of battery against a household member.

LaMay sentenced Ibarra to two days in jail, 180 days of unsupervised probation, no contact with the victim and \$73 in fees.

Chet Wilkinson pleaded no contest to disorderly conduct and minor in possession of alcoholic beverage.

LaMay sentenced Wilks-inson to 364 days supervised probation, or-

dered to find a job and remain employed and \$726 in fines and fees.

LaMay dismissed one case against **Shawn Forte** and Forte pleaded no contest to resisting, evading or obstructing an officer.

LaMay sentenced Forte to 364 days in jail and \$73 in fees.

LaMay also found Forte guilty of a probation violation.

Lanny Perkins pleaded guilty to battery. The state dismissed aggravated battery.

LaMay sentenced Perkins to 182 days supervised probation, ordered Perkins to pay \$151.85 restitution and have no contact with the victim and \$73 in fees.

Greg Shamas pleaded no contest to resisting, obstructing or evading an officer.

The state dismissed a charge of battery against a household member.

LaMay sentenced Shamas to 364 days supervised probation and \$573 in fines and fees.

Sept. 28

Kenny Montle pleaded no contest to driving while license suspended, no insurance, concealing identity and driving without a license.

LaMay sentenced Montle to 13 days in jail, time served, 351 days supervised probation and \$756 in fines and fees.

Avery Belin pleaded

guilty to driving while license suspended, no insurance and no registration.

LaMay sentenced Belin to 14 days in jail, time served, 350 days of supervised probation and \$403 in fines and fees.

Renee Burden pleaded guilty to driving while license revoked.

LaMay sentenced Burden to seven days in jail, time served, 357 days supervised probation and \$381 in fines and fees.

LaMay also found Burden guilty of a probation violation.

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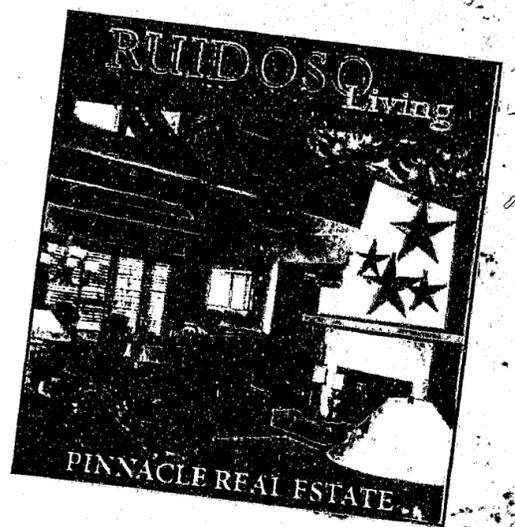
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We have plenty of negative in our lives and there is so much good to share.

I think you and Rena are doing a great job and wanted to let you know.

Thank you.

Julie Gilliland
Ruidoso

Rena,

I just wanted to say thank you so much for all the publicity you gave the Song Contest!

Thank you sooo much!

I enjoyed visiting with you and hope to again. You are doing a great job!

Don't know if I really am a Reverend, more of a normal person (which I guess reverends are too). I am really glad for all you have and are doing and just wanted you to know.

Peace to you,

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT CV-10-314 JPMORGAN CHASE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, successor in interest to Washington Mutual Bank, F.A. Plaintiff, vs. KEVIN SHANE KENT PARKER and JAMES EARL DOE PARKER, (True Name Unknown) his spouse; TAXATION AND REVENUE DEPARTMENT of the STATE OF NEW MEXICO, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on October 26, 2011, at the hour of 9:30 a.m., the undersigned Special Master will, at the northeast entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, Ruidoso, New Mexico, sell all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate to the highest bidder for cash. The property to be sold is located in Lincoln County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows: LOT 13A, BLOCK 5, OF HIDEAWAY HILLS SUBDIVISION, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN ON THE RE-PLAT OF LOTS 2A AND 18, BLOCK 2, BLOCK 5, AND PART OF LOT 19, BLOCK 5, HIDEAWAY HILLS SUBDIVISION, FILED IN THE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, ON MARCH 26, 2003, IN CABINET H, SLIDE 212, and all improvements, including but not limited to the manufactured home attached thereto and more particularly described as of 2001 Fleetwood DV VIN A1121AB243, 2011 FOREGOING STATE WILL BE SOLD TO SATISFY A JUDGMENT rendered by the above entitled and numbered cause, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$86,644.66 and the successful bidder's bid must be in the amount of 6.375% per annum from September 19, 2011 to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$659.13. The Plaintiff's assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale shall be postponed and rescheduled as shown by the attached and recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorney disclaim all responsibility for any environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned Special Master will, on November 2, 2011 at 9:30 AM, at the Lincoln County Courthouse, Ruidoso, New Mexico, sell all the right, title and interest of the above-named Defendants in and to the hereinafter described real estate located in Lincoln County, New Mexico, and is particularly described as follows: Lot 3, Block 11 of FOREST HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION, LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, AS SHOWN ON THE RE-PLAT OF LOTS 2A AND 18, BLOCK 2, BLOCK 5, AND PART OF LOT 19, BLOCK 5, HIDEAWAY HILLS SUBDIVISION, FILED IN THE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE OF LINCOLN COUNTY, NEW MEXICO, ON MARCH 26, 2003, IN CABINET H, SLIDE 212, and all improvements, including but not limited to the manufactured home attached thereto and more particularly described as of 2001 Fleetwood DV VIN A1121AB243, 2011 FOREGOING STATE WILL BE SOLD TO SATISFY A JUDGMENT rendered by the above entitled and numbered cause, being an action to foreclose a mortgage on the above described property. The Plaintiff's judgment, which includes interest and costs, is \$86,644.66 and the successful bidder's bid must be in the amount of 6.375% per annum from September 19, 2011 to the date of sale. The amount of such interest to the date of sale will be \$659.13. The Plaintiff's assignees has the right to bid at such sale and submit its bid verbally in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale shall be postponed and rescheduled as shown by the attached and recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due. Plaintiff and its attorney disclaim all responsibility for any environmental contamination on the property, if any, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

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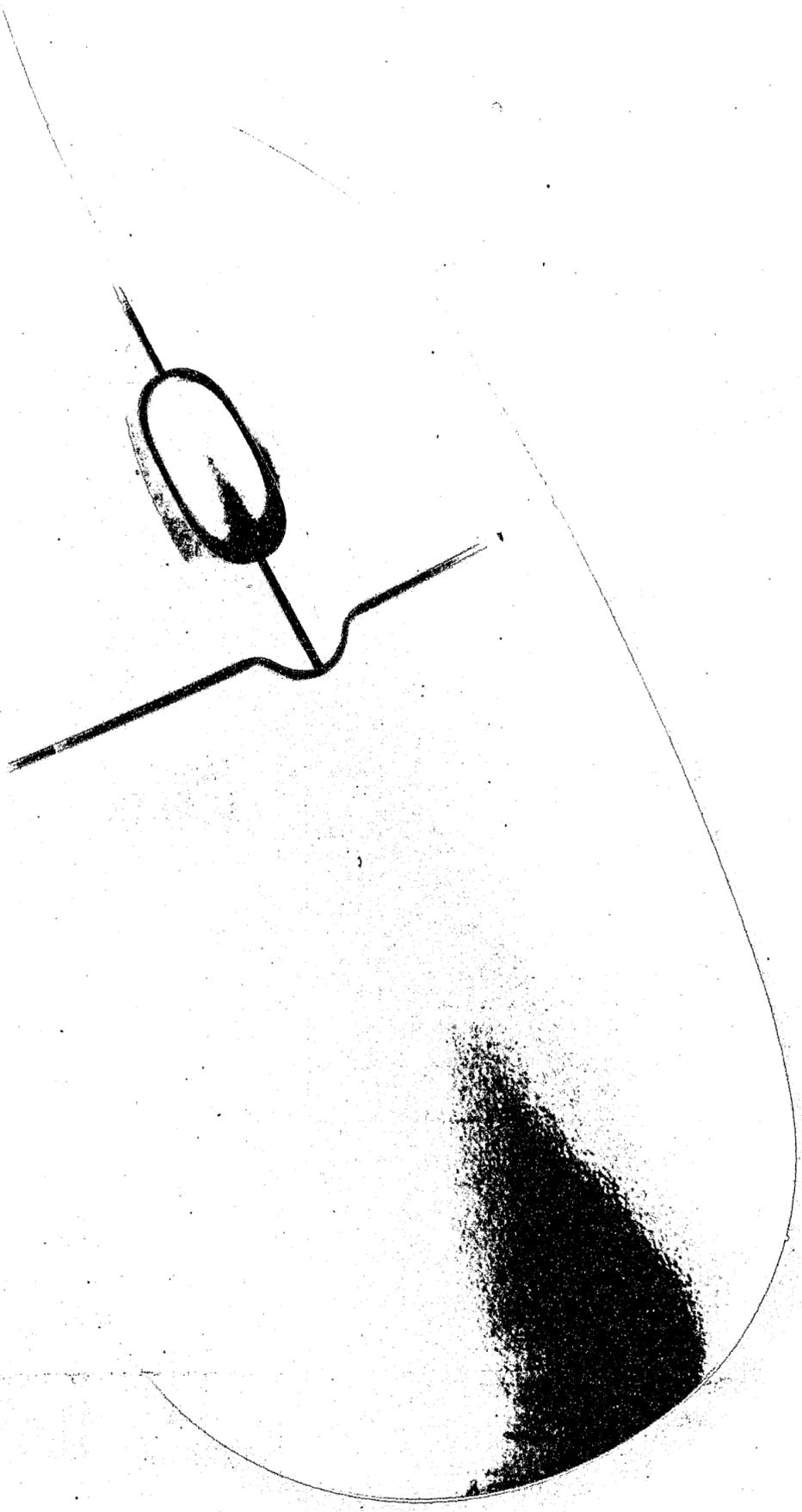
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SLT, ALLOYS, 6 BRASS, SELECT SHIFT AUTO, FULL POWER WAS \$27,325 NOW \$24,377
- 8K0661 2007 FORD F-250 CREW CAB DIESEL 4X4
LARIAT, FM OFF ROAD, GRILL GUARD, HEATED LEATHER, CERTIFIED 1.9% WAS \$34,295 NOW \$28,757
- 8K0711 2008 FORD F-350 CREW CAB DIESEL 4X4
KING RANCH, MOONROOF, NAVIGATION, GRILL GUARD, TOW COMMAND WAS \$41,470 NOW \$35,747
- 5682 2008 FORD RANGER
XL PKG., BEADLER, ABS, AC TOW PKG., CERTIFIED 1.9% WAS \$14,745 NOW \$13,737
- 7K0931 2009 FORD RANGER SUPERCAB 4X4
TILT, CRUISE, TOW PKG., TIRE PRESSURE MONITOR, AC, CERTIFIED 1.9% WAS \$23,970 NOW \$19,727
- 8K0752 2008 FORD F-250 SUPERCAB DIESEL
XLT, RUNNING BOARDS, 5TH WHEEL HITCH, BEADLER WAS \$27,400 NOW \$23,747

SUVS

- 5662 2010 FORD EXPLORER 4X4
EDGE PKG., 180 WHEELS, CD, AC, HEATED LEATHER, LOADED, CERTIFIED 1.9% WAS \$30,920 NOW \$27,855
- 5672 2008 LINCOLN MKX AWD
HEATED SEATED SEATS, NAVIGATION, VISTA ROOF, MOBI MOTO CERTIFIED 1.9% WAS \$32,655 NOW \$29,767
- 9L0171 2008 FORD EDGE AWD
LIMITED, NAVIGATION, VISTA ROOF, HEATED LEATHER, CD, PWR LIFTGATE CERTIFIED 1.9% WAS \$26,450 NOW \$20,777
- 8K0691 2009 FORD EDGE AWD
LIMITED PKG., NAVIGATION, VISTA ROOF, POWER LIFTGATE, MOBI MOTO CERTIFIED 1.9% WAS \$31,295 NOW \$28,889
- 5694 2010 FORD ESCAPE 4X4
XLT, ALLOYS, FULL POWER, GREAT ECONOMY! WAS \$23,120 NOW \$20,668

CARS

- 5659 2010 FORD EDGE AWD
SEL PKG., AERODYNAMIC, SAFETY CANOPY, 180 WHEELS CERTIFIED 1.9% WAS \$29,545 NOW \$25,877
- 5685 2010 FORD EDGE AWD
LIMITED, SYNC, LEATHER, LOADED! WAS \$31,570 NOW \$29,549
- 5670 2010 JEEP LIBERTY 4X4
LIMITED PKG., HEATED LEATHER, MEMORY SEATING, STABILITY CONTROL WAS \$25,425 NOW \$21,737
- 5667 2009 JEEP WRANGLER 4X4
X PKG., SOUND BAR, AUTO, ALLOYS, TILT, CRUISE, AC WAS \$24,780 NOW \$21,848
- 8K1021 2008 JEEP WRANGLER 4X4 UNLIMITED
4 DR., HARTOP, STABILITY CONTROL, GRILL GUARD, AUTO, ONLY 18K MILES! WAS \$27,985 NOW \$24,727
- 5684 2011 MERCURY GRAND MARQUIS
LS, LEATHER, TRACTION CONTROL, LOADED CERTIFIED 1.9% WAS \$22,895 NOW \$20,555
- 5K4471 2011 FORD MUSTANG
LEATHER, ALLOYS, CUSTOM EXHAUST, COLD INTAKE, LOADED CERTIFIED 1.9% WAS \$27,720 NOW \$24,747
- 5678 2011 FORD MUSTANG CONVERTIBLE
LEATHER, SPOILER, SHAKER 500W SOUND, MACEI CERTIFIED 1.9% WAS \$29,020 NOW \$26,559
- 5L4071 2008 FORD MUSTANG
SPOILER, ALLOYS, TINT, TRACTION CONTROL WAS \$17,985 NOW \$16,932
- 5695 2011 MERCURY GRAND MARQUIS
LS, LEATHER, CD, FULL POWER WAS \$22,795 NOW \$19,972
- 3L4131 2011 FORD TAURUS
SEL, SHIFTER PADDLES, SYNC, DUAL ZONE CLIMATE CONTROL, LOADED CERTIFIED 1.9% WAS \$28,170 NOW \$23,977
- 5677 2010 FORD FOCUS
SE PKG., ALLOYS, SPOILER, SAFETY CANOPY, ECONOMY CERTIFIED 1.9% WAS \$18,245 NOW \$16,545
- 5680 2010 FORD FOCUS
SEL PKG., MOONROOF, LEATHER, LOADED! CERTIFIED 1.9% WAS \$20,445 NOW \$18,632
- 5681 2010 FORD FOCUS
SEL PKG., LEATHER, MOONROOF, SYNC, SAFETY CANOPY, MACEI WAS \$18,650 NOW \$17,844
- 9K0673 2008 CHEVROLET IMPALA
LS, TRACTION CONTROL, ABS, FULL POWER! WAS \$14,895 NOW \$11,652
- 7K0935 2006 PONTIAC VIBE AWD
MOONROOF, FULL POWER, LOW MILES, ECONOMY 4X4 WAS \$18,995 NOW \$12,925
- 56371 2004 LINCOLN TOWN CAR
ULTIMATE, HEATED LEATHER, LOADED, LINCOLN LUXURY! WAS \$14,695 NOW \$11,757
- 5675 2010 CHRYSLER 300
TOURING PKG., LEATHER, ALLOYS, LOADED! WAS \$22,950 NOW \$19,999
- 3K4581 2010 CHEVROLET IMPALA
LTZ, MOONROOF, ONSTAR, HEATED LEATHER, LIKE NEW! WAS \$24,295 NOW \$19,977
- 9L0021 2008 FORD FOCUS
LIMITED, ALLOYS, FULL POWER, GREAT ECONOMY! CERTIFIED 1.9% WAS \$18,770 NOW \$18,922
- 8K0972 2006 CHRYSLER CROSSFIRE CONVERTIBLE
LIMITED, HEATED LEATHER, NAVIGATION, LOADED, ONLY 28K MILES! WAS \$20,250 NOW \$16,777

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