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Thinning halted over dumping

Illegal disposal alleged

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Work on more than a half dozen property thinning projects in the Ruidoso area has been suspended because of alleged illegal dumping of thinned forest materials.

The suspensions have been in the Alpine Village and Ranches of Sonterra subdivisions, said Debra Ingle, operational supervisor of Greentree Solid Waste Authority. The trash collecting authority provides pine needle and some other yard waste collection services in certain areas of Lincoln County beyond Ruidoso's boundary.

The suspensions of the thinning activities on some properties followed an investigation of illegal disposal of thinned forest items.

New Mexico State Forestry's Capitan District, Greentree Solid Waste and the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office are continuing to investigate landowner complaints about improper or illegal dumping of forest waste, often amounting to hundreds of cubic yards of materials, costing thousands of dollars.

Ingle said as the investigations continue, more subdivisions may be involved in suspensions of work.

"A number of county residents are tired of paying for illegal dumping by contractors whether it's construction or forest waste," Ingle said. "We are getting lots of phone calls from landowners wondering if we are going to pick up large amounts of slash for free. We don't."

A preliminary investigation this week revealed some forest thinning contractors were cutting trees on private property and charging the landowner for disposal

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Boxing hope

Church spearheads Operation Christmas Child

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Last year, volunteers donated items for and packed 514 shoeboxes to be sent to children in 100 countries through Operation Christmas Child. This year, local organizers are hoping to beat that number.

Since 2002, First Baptist Church at Cree Meadows has acted as the collection center for the annual effort and it will repeat that role from Nov. 14 to Nov. 21, under the guidance of long-time volunteer coordinator Stephanie Jensen. Each shoe box is stuffed with school supplies, toys, hygiene items and notes of

encouragement for children in need overseas. The group of local volunteers is focused on filling the empty shoe boxes with the help of Ruidoso families, who are participating in the world's largest Christmas project of its kind, Operation Christmas Child, an effort that has hand-delivered 86 million gifts to kids worldwide since 1993.

A project of international Christian relief and evangelism organization Samaritan's Purse, Operation Christmas Child uses whatever means necessary to reach suffering children around the world with

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THE HALLOWEEN SCENE



ERIK BEARER/RUIDOSO NEWS

Ambrosia Hardesty and Haley Robbins run headlong into another fright at the haunted trails of Capitan Monday evening, sponsored by the Capitan Women's Club.



HAROLD OAKES/RUIDOSO NEWS

Demetre Hinds, 2, presses on the glass door of Attorney Patricia Ortiz Monday afternoon during the Midtown Ruidoso Trick-or-Treat. Find more Halloween fun on 6-7B.



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At top, Montana McMinn's grandmother painted her face to complete her witch costume for the Halloween Carnival at First Savings Bank Monday. Middle, it's not a yellow brick road, but Capitan's haunted trails work fine for Anya, Matthew, and Seth Rabice, though Gideon Brown is looking for an exit. Bottom, one of the more elaborate costumes of the weekend was this box of popcorn outfit at the Inn of the Mountain Gods Club Dead celebration Friday evening.

Ruidoso News earns state Press Association awards

STAFF REPORTS
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The newsroom of the Ruidoso News earned three New Mexico Press Association awards for news coverage and photography at the organization's banquet Saturday.

Reporters Jim Kalvelage and Dianne Stallings won first place in

the category of "Series or Continuing Coverage" for their "On the track" series on the Ruidoso Downs Race Track. The project was a primer leading up to the Business Retention Tax that passed in September 2010. The judge's comments included, "Excellent use of statistics; readable; all aspects of this issue well covered." Reporter Erik Bearer won first

place in the general news photo category for a photo he shot during the Swallow Fire.

Judges complimented Bearer on "good dramatic composition."

Stallings also won second place in feature writing for her story, "A fearless grace," which featured local Sonya Loya and her participation in the Crypto-Jewish community.

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County Planning

The Lincoln County Planning Commission is expected to send their final comprehensive plan adjustment recommendations to the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners.

The planning panel will meet today at 1 p.m. at the county courthouse in Carrizozo.

For more than a year the planning commission has reviewed the now more than four-year ago adopted comp plan that is described as a guide for the future of the county.

The planning commission is expected to begin looking at the county's subdivision ordinance, with the subjects of definitions, subdivision types and exemptions on their agenda.

JUB meeting

Ruidoso Mayor and Joint Use Board Chairman Tom Armstrong called a special meeting of the Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant Joint Use Board for 10 a.m. Thursday.

The session will be conducted at the village of Ruidoso Administrative Center, 313 Cree Meadows Drive.

The only item on the regular agenda is discussion and possible action for additional testing by

Parametrix on the Rio Ruidoso.

A closed session also is listed, subject to the attorney-client privilege, pertaining to threatened or pending litigation in which the Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant Joint Use Board is or may become a participant, specifically contractor substantial completion/liquidated damages in connection with construction of the new \$36 million wastewater treatment plant and compliance with the Settlement Agreement tied to improving the water quality in the Rio Ruidoso.

Any action taken as a result of the closed session will be executed back in open session.

Dems meet

The November meeting of the Democratic Part of Lincoln County will be on Thursday, Nov. 3, at 4:45 p.m. at La Brewja Café at 113 Central Ave. in Carrizozo.

Those who wish to eat before the meeting can come between 4:15 p.m. and 4:45 p.m. and order from the menu. New or interested people are invited to attend.

The meeting will end by 6:15 p.m. so people can go to the 6:30 p.m. Carrizozo Music in the Park free cellist/pianist concert at the Trinity United Methodist Church.

IT'S A THRILLER



POLLY E. CHAVEZ/FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Spooky Ruidoso librarians Sharon Stewart, seated, and Kari Dawn Kolander greet patrons Friday at the library. They were joined by young ghouls and zombies for an event in which they danced to "Thriller," "Monster Mash" and "The Time Warp." The youth had practiced in advance for the Thriller event.

Alto Lakes

The Alto Lakes Special Zoning District Commission will meet at 9 a.m. Thursday in the Stag Room at the Alto Lakes Golf and Country Club, 1 Mulligan Drive, Alto.

The agenda will be posted

on www.ALSZD.org no later than 24 hours prior to meeting.

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.

Book presentation

C. L. Stallings and Dianne de Leon-Stallings, a reporter with the Ruidoso News, will talk about their true crime book, "Death in a Red Desert," during an appearance at 10 a.m. Nov. 4 at the Ruidoso Public Library.

"Death in a Red Desert" chronicles an odd love triangle between a woman, her lover and his transvestite partner, and the events leading up to the disappearance and murder of Elizabeth Lankhorst-Ballard in Ruidoso.

The case made history in canine DNA forensic research as dog root hair was used for the first time in tying a body to a murder scene. The murder investigation was featured on the Animal Witness series on Animal Planet, highlighting the DNA work of Dr. Joy Halverson.

The Stallings will bring photographs, several not

included in the book, and will discuss why they decided to write the book and their interviews with various key players.

Readers of "Death in a Red Desert" are allowed to sit in on exchanges between the murderers, the investigators and the attorneys and judge. They join lead Ruidoso Detective Wolfgang Born in his dogged search for the victim's body in thousands of miles of red desert in the Tularosa Basin of Otero County. They watch as evidence is gathered, mistakes occur and the perpetrators are arrested. Through Born's eyes, they listen to testimony in the trials of both of the accused killers, one in Carrizozo and the other in Alamogordo. They share his frustration, defeats and victories as Born offers observations on the match between the local lead prosecutor and New Mexico's preeminent murder defense attorney, Gary Mitchell. Canines played key roles in solving the crime, from the pit bull pet of one of the killers to desert coyotes and a cadaver dog on his last assignment before retirement. The book is available at Books Etcetera in Ruidoso, Hastings Books and Music in Alamogordo, Amazon.com and through the website deathinaredesert.com.

"Death in a Red Desert" was co-authored by

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50° 28°	54° 43°	65° 44°	52° 36°	56° 45°	59° 39°	55° 34°
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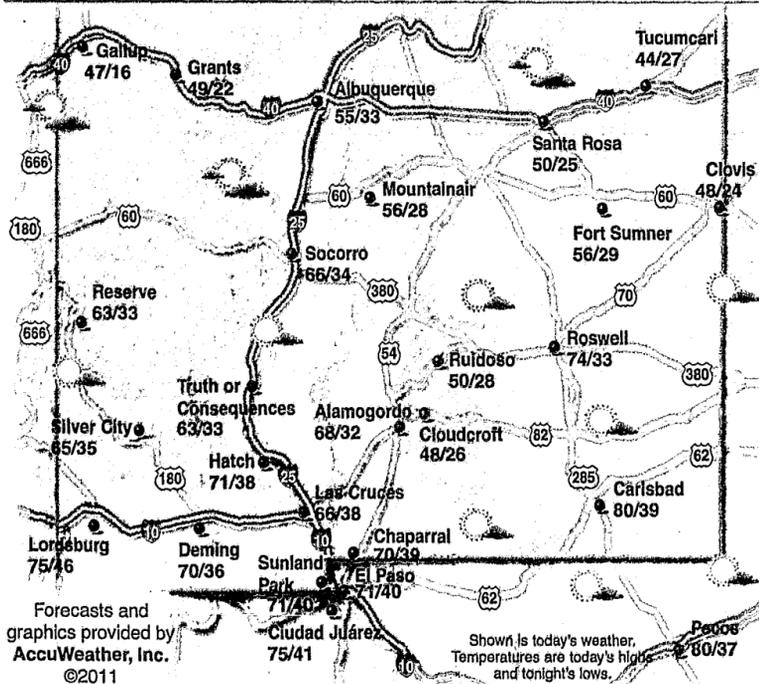
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National Forecast for Nov. 2, 2011



Regional Cities



Almanac

Ruidoso
Statistics through Monday

Temperature:
High/low 66°/39°
Normal high 61°
Normal low 31°
Record high 76° (1952)
Record low 13° (1993)

Precipitation:
Monday 0.00"
Month to date 1.65"
Normal month to date 1.64"
Year to date 8.37"
Normal year to date 19.58"

Pollen:
Grass Low
Trees Low
Weeds Moderate
Mold Low
Predominant Ragweed

Alamogordo
Statistics through Monday

Temperature:
High/low 74°/38°
Normal high 73°
Normal low 35°
Record high 85° (1950)
Record low 24° (1993)

Precipitation:
Monday 0.00"
Month to date 0.54"
Normal month to date 1.01"
Year to date 3.74"
Normal year to date 9.36"

Weather Trivia™:
Q: What is the name most often used for the prevailing westerlies?
A: The jet stream.

National Cities

City	Today	Thu.
Abilene	70/39/pc	57/35/s
Anchorage	28/14/s	29/24/sn
Atlanta	84/46/s	68/49/r
Austin	84/44/pc	68/35/s
Baltimore	58/40/s	60/44/s
Boston	54/42/s	60/43/s
Chicago	60/40/c	51/36/r
Dallas	75/44/pc	60/38/s
Denver	32/20/sn	54/31/s
Des Moines	48/30/r	47/28/pc
Detroit	61/43/pc	53/36/r
El Paso	71/40/s	59/47/s
Las Vegas	84/51/s	69/52/s
Los Angeles	86/58/s	75/57/s
Minneapolis	48/27/pc	48/29/pc
New Orleans	80/51/r	81/54/s
New York City	58/46/s	60/48/s
Philadelphia	59/43/s	62/46/s
Phoenix	80/58/s	82/54/s
Reno	53/32/s	58/30/c
San Francisco	68/49/s	59/46/r
San Diego	77/55/s	72/57/pc
Seattle	50/38/r	48/35/sh
Tucson	80/51/r	81/54/s
Tulsa, OK	69/37/o	56/31/pc
Wash., DC	60/41/s	60/47/s
Wichita	53/31/r	50/27/pc
Yuma	79/53/s	81/55/s

Regional Cities

City	Today	Thu.
Albuquerque	55/33/pc	57/40/s
Artesia	78/39/s	66/44/s
Chama	45/20/sn	54/21/s
Clayton	39/22/c	53/31/s
Cloudcroft	48/28/s	53/18/s
Farrington	48/24/c	59/35/s
Hobbs	79/33/s	58/36/s
Los Alamos	44/25/pc	54/27/s
Portales	50/29/s	58/32/s
Raton	38/15/sn	56/25/s
Red River	36/18/sn	47/18/s
Ruidoso	50/28/s	54/43/s
Santa Fe	48/24/pc	54/32/s
Silver City	65/35/s	59/41/s
Taos	43/14/pc	54/21/s

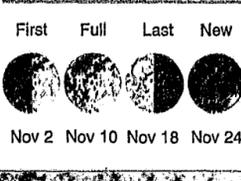
Mexican Cities

City	Today	Thu.
Acapulco	89/77/pc	89/78/sh
Cancun	86/71/sh	86/69/r
Chihuahua	74/26/s	68/51/s
Ciudad Juárez	75/41/pc	61/47/s
Leon	88/47/s	80/48/s
México, DF	77/43/pc	77/44/s
Monterrey	58/52/s	71/53/pc
Morelia	81/50/s	81/49/s
Oaxaca	84/54/t	83/60/sh
Pto. Penasco	89/54/s	87/57/pc
Tijuana	79/54/s	75/56/pc

Sun and Moon

Wednesday: Sunrise/Sunset 7:21 a.m./6:11 p.m.
Wednesday: Moonrise/Moonset 1:42 p.m./none

Moon Phases



Extremes

Monday's National High/Low: (For the 48 contiguous states)
High: 95° in Gila Bend, AZ
Low: 13° in Alamosa, CO

Monday's World High/Low:
High: 109° in Ngabu, Malawi
Low: -57° in Summit Station, Greenland

EVENTS

FROM PAGE 2A

Stallings, author of the Florida Hospital Index and former columnist/reporter for the Ruidoso News, and Dianne de Leon Stallings, who covered the murder and trials.

Does dinner

The Benevolent and Patriotic Order of Does, Ruidoso Drove No. 152, will have a dinner and auction at 5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 5, at the Elks Lodge in Ruidoso.

The brisket dinner with all the trimmings will be \$8 per plate. Numerous merchants and Does have donated items for the auction and there will be door prizes awarded throughout the auction.

The event raises money for local charities such as Santa's Helpers, Meals on Wheels, the Lincoln County Food Bank and the National Dogs for the Autistic and Deaf.

Electronics recycle

The area's fall electronic recycling event will take place on Saturday, Nov. 5, at the Sierra Mall in Ruidoso.

The no-cost way to properly dispose of electronics will run from 9 a.m. until 12 p.m. Obsolete, outdated and replaced electronics that will be accepted are computer related items, including circuit boards, desktop and laptop computers, hardware, monitors, keyboards, mice, network hardware, tape and disk drives, and modems.

Allowed office equipment can be computer workstations, PDAs, calculators, audio/visual equipment, pagers, typewriters, fax machines, telephones, wireless devices and plotters. Small electronics and household appliances can include gaming hardware, cellular phones, cameras (both SLR and digital), small household appliances, radios, CD and DVD ROMs, I-Pods, MP3 players, and other consumer electronics. For more information or to volunteer to help, call Keep Ruidoso Beautiful at 575-257-5030 or Greentree Solid Waste Authority at 575-378-4697.

Those two organizations, as well as the Ruidoso Valley Chamber of Commerce, Keep Ruidoso Downs Beautiful, the Ruidoso Solid Waste Department, Schlotsky's, and Lawrence Brothers IGA, sponsor the recycling event in conjunction with Keep American Beautiful and the New

Mexico Recycling Coalition.

Toy Run

Santa's Helpers, local bikers and other volunteers are planning their main fundraiser, the "Joy for Kids Toy Run" on Nov. 6.

Lincoln County Santa's Helpers is a non-profit organization that helps children throughout Lincoln County who qualify for assistance at Christmas time. The group helps 300 to 400 families with toys, clothing, school supplies and food.

A parade will start at noon and will leave O'Reilly Auto Parts parking lot at Sudderth Drive and Highway 70. It will go to the circle at the Upper Canyon entrance and will end at The Quarters. For more information or to make a donation, call (575) 336-4692.

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 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.

Business this Week



Surrounded by the turquoise-clad Ruidoso Valley Greeters, Rebecca and Will Ponder prepare to cut the ribbon, celebrating the completed remodeling of Sacred Grounds.

Sacred Grounds: Warm hearts and mugs

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Nestled in the corner of Sudderth and Mechem drives, Sacred Grounds Coffee shop wears the hats of espresso joint, wi-fi hotspot, community center, and popular lunch spot.

Purchased in October of 2010 by Rebecca and Will Ponder, the couple quickly set about improving the business and bringing in quality, fair-trade coffee.

"We do the roasting ourselves," Rebecca Ponder said, adding that they regularly rotate featured coffees, giving

patrons a buzz from around the world, along with their regular espresso, Lavazza, an Italian roast.

"It's been about a year since we opened," Will Ponder said, looking at all the changes made to the store in that year.

Since their purchase, the Ponders added in additional kitchen space and equipment, along with a new digital menu screen. The business has also expanded, opening up a part-time location in Midtown, an A-frame near Kellerman's Emporium at 2825 Sudderth Drive.

Improvements go on

behind the scenes too, Rebecca Ponder said, mentioning that the shop is working on upgrading their register systems, allowing them to speed up service for patrons.

And the caffeine is not the only thing that keeps customers wired.

The coffee shop also offers free wireless internet to patrons, who may often be seen with a cup of coffee and facebook on the patio during warmer days.

Along with the coffee, wraps, Internet, and freshly baked treats, Sacred Grounds also does its part to support the arts and the community with

open mic nights on Friday, starting at 6:30 p.m., and a free movie, screening every Saturday night, also at 6:30 p.m.

"We often follow up the movie with a special treat, testing out new menu items," Rebecca Ponder said, adding that the coffee shop also served beer and wine after acquiring a liquor license in early May.

Among the new and seasonal treats served, Rebecca Ponder said October and November would feature pumpkin bread, lattes, and chai, with more experiments to come as the winter wound its way towards Christmas.

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OUR OPINION

The giving season

Halloween has become the start of a season you can either dread or embrace.

Let's call it the "giving season," not because we want to be politically correct, just to be accurate.

Halloween is about dressing up and having fun, but it also is about giving. The Midtown merchants gave away tons of candy.

The Women's Club of Capitan gave away candy there. Other organizations gave away candy in other communities.

Thus the giving began.

Sunday the giving continues with Joy for Kids Toy Run.

Hundreds of people annually turn out to give toys and money to Santa's Helpers. Santa's Helpers in turn gives to needy families in the community.

We will want to give to the Lincoln County Food Bank to feed those who would otherwise go hungry.

The Ruidoso Optimist Club Coats for Kids collection boxes will soon appear, giving us a chance to give new and out-grown coats to others to keep them warm as the weather turns colder.

We, as a community, have a new opportunity to give this year.

It's not going to be money or material things and it really fits in with that holiday we get closer to skipping entirely every year.

This year we can person-

ally give thanks to military troops, their families and veterans and their families during the R&R in Ruidoso event Nov. 12.

Giving someone who served our country a "Thank you," with a handshake, hug or pat on the back is what this event is really about. The military and their families are being invited to come to Ruidoso for the week to enjoy the mountains and all we have to offer.

On Nov. 12 Sudderth Drive will be blocked from Center Street to Chase Street and there will be activities, music, food, etc. for everyone, including the troops, veterans and their families.

Actually, all these activities are just an excuse to get these troops and their families here so we can give them the thanks they deserve.

With acknowledgement to those who are going to be overloaded with "Holiday" music and commercials telling you someone you know and kind of like needs a new Lexus, this is a season of great opportunity.

You have the opportunity to give to Santa's Helpers, the food bank, kids who need warm coats and you will have the opportunity to give thanks for all you have and to give thanks to some of those who protect your opportunity to have it.

Thanks to everyone who gives us these opportunities.



YOUR OPINION

Remembering Marie Ann Templeton

To the editor:

It is with considerable sadness that I note the passing of local artist Marie Ann Templeton. Twenty years ago this past July, Ann and her artist friend Dorothy Knight walked in the door of a loaned office that constituted Eastern New Mexico University, "the new college" in Ruidoso. There I was, the only employee in a college not two weeks old. Classes were to start August 26.

Ann did most of the talking on their behalf — they wanted a class for professional artists in the region — they and their peers. The non-credit course began weeks later in September and continued off and on for the next several years — casual, fun, awesomely talented — taught by the artists themselves. The course reflected Ann in every way.

Dorothy eventually provided a black/white print — a Mescalero basket — that became the college's first catalog cover. Ann went on to become a College Advisory Board member and, in the late '90s, chaired the effort that eventually acquired a major art collection for display and teaching purposes for the college, all donated by major artists throughout the region. The collection continues to grace the hallways of the college today.

Despite her frequent travels and workshops across the country (she taught annually at San Juan College in Farmington, for example) and eventually moving back to Texas, Ann always had the visual arts at ENMU in Ruidoso in mind. Its continuing importance at ENMU-Ruidoso is her legacy.

Many of us in Lincoln

County, New Mexico will miss her.

Jim Miller
Dean Emeritus, ENMU-
Ruidoso
Alto

Blame game

To the editor:

Many people blame others for their and our nation's failures. Big businesses, labor unions, governments and the rest of us Americans, at large, are responsible for our economic crisis.

President Franklin D. Roosevelt said, "History has proven that businesses can't or won't adequately regulate themselves; therefore, government's job is to regulate business; not to run business." Today, I believe that companies are over-regulated in many areas and under-regulated in a few areas. Additionally, it appears that our federal government is partially running some businesses. Finally, I don't feel that taxpayers should bailout private companies, with the exception of the quasi-governmental U.S. Postal Service.

"Big businesses want their workers to do more work for less pay and benefits, while labor unions want their workers to do less work for more pay and benefits." I know from my personal experiences that it takes more union workers longer and at a greater cost than it does nonunion workers to provide the same products and services.

All governments and governmental programs are inherently inefficient, expensive and wasteful and most are fraud-ridden.

It has been said that the U.S. has become a, "I want it now", society; 2007 was the first year, in our nation's history, that most

Americans were in a financial deficit. The majority of our people have always been in debt, but 2007 was the first year that most Americans couldn't pay their bills. Today, unlike in the past, the majority of our citizens buy many things that they don't need and/or can't afford.

When I attended the U.S. Army's Sergeants Major Academy, I studied the communist Soviet Union and communist China — "To defeat your enemy, you must know your enemy." I know, for a fact, that socialism, class warfare and the redistribution of wealth won't turn our nation's faltering economy around.

Sincerely,

Franklin L. Boren
Tinnie

Training thanks

To the editor:

The Carrizozo Volunteer Fire Department's Five Star Training Academy Extrication training held (Oct. 29) was a great success. In addition to the Carrizozo firefighters, firefighters from six other fire departments participated in the training. Thank you Five Star Training Academy for bringing this training to Lincoln County. The Carrizozo Volunteer Fire Department would like to send a special thank you to Paul Quairali, the Otero County Emergency coordinator, for helping to fill all training spots vacated at the last minute by local fire departments. Without his help it would have been hard to have a full crew for this training. We would also like to thank the following individuals and businesses: Judy Fitz, the

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OUR RIGHT TO KNOW

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THE STREETER, BY ERIK BEARER

Q: What do you think about a new "dollar store" coming to Ruidoso?



Teri Sodd
Ruidoso

"This is not the image of Ruidoso that we need, we have more dollar stores per block than dollars."



Thurman Hale
Ruidoso

"I think that would be great to have another, we always need more dollar stores."



Nicol Simpson
Ruidoso

"I think it's unnecessary, we're saturated. Three or four is already plenty for the village."



Peggy Maruga
Ruidoso

"I think it's overkill. There are already so many, I don't know where they would even put it."



Pam Reeder
Ruidoso

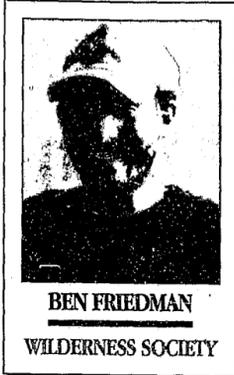
"I like dollar stores, but I don't want them taking away from the local merchants."

Otero Mesa: Our national treasure

Otero Mesa is a land of superlatives. It is the largest remaining Chihuahuan grassland left in the United States of America. Over 500,000 acres of Otero Mesa qualify for Wilderness designation, making it the largest potential wilderness area left in New Mexico.

The largest untapped freshwater aquifer in the state underlies Otero Mesa. The number of ancient archaeological sites and artifacts, dating back over 1,500 years, is in the tens of thousands. One of America's very last genetically pure pronghorn antelope herds is native to Otero Mesa, and continues to be prized by hunters around the country. Quite simply, it is one of America's last remaining wild places, often called the Serengeti of the Southwest.

And it is owned by all of us. Otero Mesa encompasses 1.2 million acres of public land, shared by all Americans. Each of us can say we have access to America's wildest grassland. While the land is locally important to those who live near the Mesa, like students from Alamogordo, Las Cruces, and El Paso who have access to a virtual 'outdoor museum' that is home to over 1,000 native wildlife species at their fingertips, it is also shared by those of us who live at a distance. Otero Mesa is a nationally

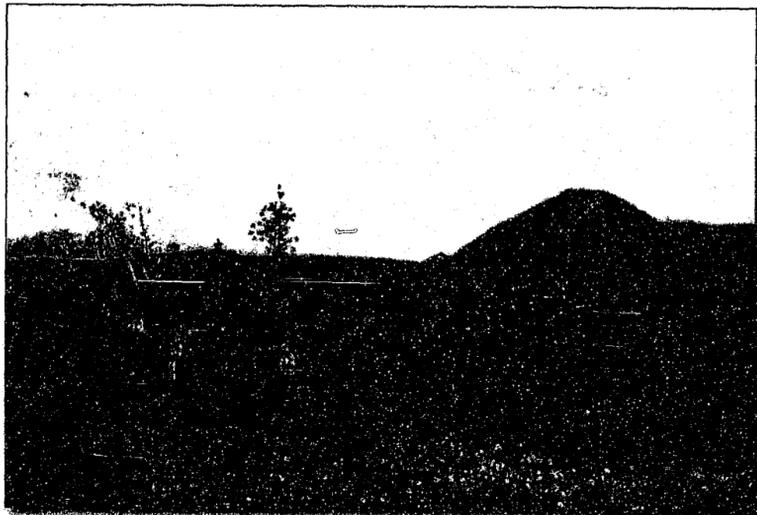


BEN FRIEDMAN
WILDERNESS SOCIETY

significant wild land, the kind of primitive place that preserves our natural and historic heritage in an increasingly rare way.

Because it is unique and so rich in natural and cultural values, Otero Mesa has something to offer all Americans, not just residents that live close to America's wildest grassland. Otero Mesa represents an escape to the tens of millions of Americans like me who live on the tightly packed Eastern Seaboard, for instance. We can fly to New Mexico and travel to Otero Mesa to breathe clean air and to see a skyline of jagged volcanic peaks during the day instead of grey buildings, and countless stars at night, a simple pleasure practically unknown to us who live in the metropolises east of the Mississippi.

While sitting at my desk in Washington, DC I know that I can flee the



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The Otero Mesa is one of the country's last remaining wild places, often called the Serengeti of the Southwest.

city and head to the largest potential wilderness area in New Mexico, where petroglyphs date back at least 1,500 years and call it my own. What makes Otero Mesa unique and nationally significant is also what makes it so important to be preserved. It represents one of the last opportunities to experience the original wild character of the American West, something millions of Americans search for each year. The Bureau of Land Management, the agency that manages Otero Mesa and most of the Federal Land west of the Mississippi, reported that 59 million people visited BLM lands in 2010.

The Department of Interior, which includes the BLM, the Park Service and other land managing agencies, reported serving 414 million visitors in 2010.

The idea of the frontier and the exploration of primitive land, rooted in America's birth and in its expansion in the 19th century in belief of that idea still resonates with Americans. Robust nationwide visitation of our protected wild lands shows our continued fascination with 'the last frontier.' Otero Mesa, one of the last places in the country to experience that feeling of exploration, deserves permanent protection in order

to ensure that millions of Americans for generations to come can continue to experience that feeling that is directly tied to our American heritage.

Unbelievably to those of us who cherish Otero Mesa and what it represents, a Colorado-based corporation called Geovic Mining Corporation has targeted the heart of Otero Mesa for hard rock mining. Geovic has staked claim to a surface area equivalent to five square miles, a space about the size of Midtown Manhattan.

This corporation wants to undertake a mining operation that would impact not only wildlife habitat, soil composition

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and the underground aquifer in Otero Mesa, but would also create a massive open pit by digging into the middle of this completely undeveloped area. Has Geovic thought about the ramifications of digging a hole the size of Midtown Manhattan in the largest potential wilderness area left in New Mexico?

This nationally significant landscape requires protection to ensure that anyone can continue to visit this wild land and call it their own.

As Nicholas Kristof of the New York Times recently wrote, "our national lands are a rare space of utter democracy: the poorest citizen gets resplendent views that even a billionaire is not allowed to buy."

Instead of destroying the wild, primitive character of Otero Mesa for the benefit of a corporation, I'd like to see it permanently protected - for all of us.

Sitting on our historical assets

In Texas for work and play, we see the scorched mesquite remaining from their wildfires. Hundreds of miles of dead trees guarantee more fires to come. But the icy fingers of the recession haven't chilled Texas as they have New Mexico.

As usual, I can't resist studying how Texas does things - in this case, tourism.

I'm here to see Fort Griffin, or what's left of it, perched above the Clear Fork of the Brazos. The grounds are spacious and even include a small herd of Texas longhorns.

"They're just big puppy dogs," says the visitor center staffer, who assures us we can just walk around them.

Every fort has a story to tell, but they're not just a history lesson. They have a lot to say about economies. Forts in their day were the military bases and posts of today, created to meet a threat and sustained

beyond their useful life because they fed the local economy. By the late 1800s, we had fended off the British, whopped Mexico, and penned up the nation's tribes on reservations. With no serious threats on the horizon, most of the forts were closed without ceremony or BRAC.

Oh, there was great protest in some cases. Yesterday's defense contractors - suppliers of hay and beef - saw their livelihood ride away. Today the military can declare it no longer needs Cannon Air Force Base, and with the right amount of political maneuvering and pressure, it can be saved and given new work. (Multiply this scenario a few

thousand times throughout the bureaucracy and you begin to understand why we can't control the deficit.)

These forts seeded some otherwise lonesome places with settlers because soldiers scouting for war parties had a lot of time to identify promising agricultural lands. When the forts closed, many soldiers stayed, and the adjacent town changed gears to serve new economic masters.

A lot of these old forts have gotten a new life as tourist attractions because many visitors still want to feel a bit of the Old West, and history buffs want to see the places they've read about. Texas understands this. New Mexico doesn't.

As ruins go, New Mexico's Fort Union on the northeastern plains is more impressive than Fort Griffin, as is Fort Craig, near Socorro. Our crown jewel, Fort Stanton, compares with their similarly well preserved Fort Duncan. But we're allowing Fort Cummings, the adobe anchor of the Apache wars, to simply melt into the desert.

The Fort Griffin Visitors Center has brochures on all the Texas forts, plus a special promotion called "Texas Forts Trail: Exploring the Heritage of West Central Texas." It's a handsome, thorough 24-page booklet that describes the region's forts and directs travelers to these places and their communities. You will find nothing like this in New Mexico, and our forts and historical sites are as worthy as theirs. On the one boring page of the New Mexico Tourism Department website that touts the True West in New Mexico,

you'll find a list, in tiny type, of museums and a couple of forts.

Bulletin: History isn't just Geronimo and Billy the Kid. Texas describes its sites with interest and enthusiasm. And accuracy. Later on, we visit Marfa, a little town in the West Texas desert that's become the unlikely magnet to artists and urban refugees. The elegant, restored hotel, El Paisano, which resembles the unrestored Valverde Hotel in Socorro, is booked solid. Marfa is also a playground for El Paso, now awash in government money from Fort Bliss, one of the surviving posts from yesteryear.

It isn't just money. Texans are proud of their heritage and support their attractions.

The same can be said for New Mexicans, but I think we could do a better job of being tourists in our own state, and we can certainly show some imagination in promoting our historical assets.



SHERRY ROBINSON
ALL SHE WROTE

LETTERS

FROM PAGE 4A

Carrizozo Women's Club, and the Carrizozo Chamber of Commerce for serving coffee and donuts; Carrizozo Works and Ada Hendryx for donations toward lunch; Theresa Cleary and Yovanne Lucero for helping to make sure things ran smoothly; and Luck Myers from Carrizozo Auto Salvage for donating cars and space for the training. In addition, we would also like to

thank the Carrizozo, Corona, White Oaks, Capitan, Nogal, Silver City, and Mesalero firefighters for taking time out of their Saturday to attend the training. Last but not least, thank you Erik Bearer, Polly Chavez (Ruidoso News) and Lincoln County News for reporting on this important event.

Thank You,
Walter Hill, Chief
Carrizozo Volunteer Fire
Department

Defending schools

To the editor:

I write this letter in support of the Carrizozo School System.

I thank each of you who have contacted me since my statement presented to the school board on Oct. 18.

I appreciate your words of support as well as your concern against the harassment, critical derogatory, slanderous, personal vendettas, disgusting and tragic condemnation that have been spoken as well as publicized that have come forth against the people that have been personally attacked as well as the complete school system.

These actions have been brought forward in a very distasteful and hateful manner and it is not acceptable behavior. This critical type of action has inflicted so much pain personally, including the complete staff, school system and our community in general. Our people are depressed, oppressed as well as offended. Heads are bowed and morale is at an all-time low. Our community is embarrassed and it has caused a severe division in our community.

How do you send your children to school each day? Do they leave home with

words of comfort, love and compassion for others, respect and enthusiasm? Or are they too slandered by the words, works and actions that come forth for you, the parents? Are they downhearted, discouraged, disrespectful to you and others in authority? I wonder if they feel like the guilty party hearing and seeing distasteful remarks being made about their teachers and school? How do you expect them to receive what is being taught to them, and how do you expect the teachers to be effective, when all your children hear

is negative and disrespect? Remember, children (even adults) are what we hear and see. I understand enrollment is down at school. I further understand it is not just in the Carrizozo schools, it is nationwide.

Possibly parents are not concerned enough to send their children to school. If we want to receive a harvest from our young people, we adults have to plant the seed in a positive pasture and not destructive soil.

Margo Lindsay
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Above, K-1 ¡Bravo! students. Front row, from left: Abriel Marron, Ty Roper, Megan Hooten, Danaah Riley, Riley Gallacher, Saryha Zamora, and Isabel Lucero. **Middle row:** Laveda Hiebert, Kristopher Trone, Jessica Ceja, Ashley Burch, Julie Gonzales, Deven Zamora, and Collton King. **Top row:** Joel Villanueva, Hunter King, and Destiny Romero. **Not Pictured:** Emily Hill and Izajah Parkhurst. **Below, 2-4 ¡Bravo! students. Front row, from left:** Melissa Barela, Kelsie Guevara, Anthony Marron, James Hemphill, Daniel Najar, Erollyn Lueras, Robert Lueras, and Jameal Garcia. **Middle row:** Joanna Vega, Kaitlin Guevara, Suntana Zamora, Sydney Zamora, Tazia Swift, Dalton King, Michael Trone, Mathias Zamora, Bella Bartz, and Nathan Montes. **Top row:** Sebastian Montano, Austin Vega, Nickolas Archuleta, James Gonzales, Hannah Carlsen, and Ryslyn Lueras. **Not pictured:** D'Anna Willingham, Mya Zamora, Ethan Ortiz, and Jacob Parkhurst.



Survey shows education, poverty linked

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The power of education is affirmed in new U.S. Census figures for poverty.

The U.S. Census Bureau's American Community Survey estimated 14.8 percent of county residents were below the poverty level.

In 2000, the rate had been 14.9 percent.

But better educated residents are more likely to avoid being poor.

The Census Bureau

estimates indicate that 17.6 percent of those in Lincoln County with less than a high school diploma live below the poverty level.

That number drops to 9.4 percent for high school graduates or those who pass the GED test.

Those with some college or an associate's degree account for 9.2 percent poverty.

The rate plummets to 2.0 percent for Lincoln County residents that have obtained a bachelor's degree or better.

While grim, especially for those who do not graduate high school, New Mexico's numbers are even worse.

The Census Bureau estimates 31.2 percent of New Mexicans with less than a high school diploma are in poverty.

The rate is nearly sliced in half, to 15.3 percent, for those with a diploma.

Some college trims the level to 11.5 percent, and a bachelor's degree or higher cuts it further to a low of 5.1 percent.

Nationally, 25.6 percent of those without a high school degree are in poverty, while just 3.9 percent of those with a bachelor's or better are poor.

The country's high school graduate rate is 74.7 percent, according to reports from a national campaign to cut poverty.

New Mexico had a 66.8 percent graduation rate. Ruidoso High School's level is 81.6 percent, according to the district's September 2011 State of the District Report.

Teachers face pension cuts

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Public school teachers may have to dig a bit deeper to fund their pensions. And some may have to delay retirement.

Ruidoso Education Association President Brian Brown said he has reviewed the proposed modifications.

"I ... have come to the same conclusion that NEA (National Education Association) NM has reached, that none of them are acceptable and will hurt currently vested members," Brown said. "NEA NM is currently fighting against these proposed changes and urging the ERB (New Mexico Education Retirement Board) to return to the drawing board and come back with more realistic proposals that will not cheat ERB members out of the retirement options they were promised when they became teachers."

The ERB and staff have begun meetings around the state to hear reaction to six possible plan design changes advanced by the board last month. The goal is to improve the solvency of the retirement fund.

On June 30, the close of the 2010-2011 fiscal year, the retirement fund was 63.8 percent funded. The board last month established a goal of 80 percent funding by 2030 and 95 percent by 2040.

Currently educators contribute 7.9 percent of their salary to the retirement fund.

Five of the six proposals from the ERB would raise that to 9.9 percent.

Employers would also contribute more to the fund. Some modifications to minimum retirement ages and cost-of-living adjustments are also on the table.

Currently the pension plan provides a 2 percent annual COLA beginning at age 65. The proposals would delay the start of COLAs or reduce or eliminate them. All the proposals would establish a minimum age for retirement benefits.

In a NEA NM statement that Brown said encapsulates the Ruidoso Education Association's position, all six scenarios are called unacceptable.

"No changes that reduce the cost of living adjustment or other benefits of current retirees are acceptable," the statement declared. "No changes that adversely alter the retirement eligibility rules for currently vested active employees are acceptable."

The union called for the adoption of realistic funding goals.

The situation was somewhat similar a year ago when changes were proposed to the plan.

An ERB recommendation will be delivered to the Investment and Pension Oversight Committee and the 2012 New Mexico Legislature in late November.

The ERB Board and the agency's director will listen to reaction from educators and others during a series of listening tour stops around New Mexico.

One will be held in Roswell on Nov. 8, beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the Pueblo Auditorium, 300 N. Kentucky Ave.

ENMU hosts author

Carol Keys will be on the ENMU-Ruidoso campus from noon to 1 p.m. Wednesday to discuss her book, "Behind Her Smile: A Mother's Walk Through Her Daughter's Anorexia."

The book is a personal account of her daughter's near death experience with the eating disorder. Faced with conflicting ideas and

misinformation, Keys began to write about her frustration. As she notes, much of the research on anorexia focuses on the sufferer, and little is known about how family members should assist and cope. Copies will be available for purchase at this free and informal event.

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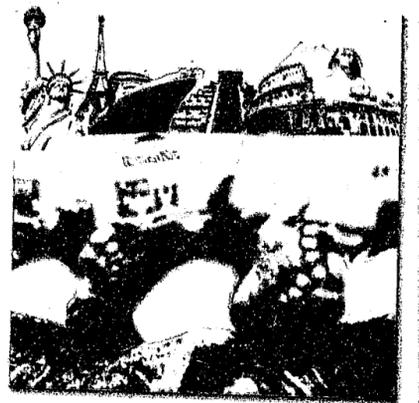
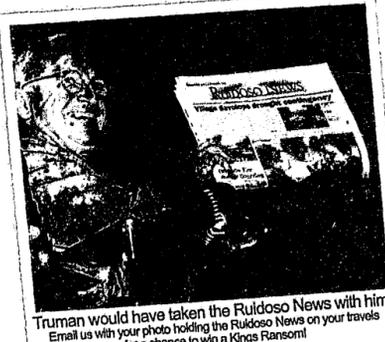
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Lincoln County estimated poverty rate unchanged

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Lincoln County's estimated poverty rate in 2010 was essentially the same as it had been 10 years earlier.

New estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau indicate 14.8 percent of the county's population was below the poverty level compared with 14.9 percent in 2000.

"I wouldn't agree with that," said Ruidoso Mayor Ray Alborn,

who is also the president of the Lincoln County Food Bank. "I don't think our numbers would show that."

His wife, Sue Alborn, is the secretary for the food bank. She noted since they became involved with the food bank in the 2000s, several other providers of supplies to those in need have begun operations in Lincoln County.

"There has been a definite increase since we've been involved with the food bank," Sue

Alborn said. "With all the agencies giving out food, in spite of that, our numbers keep going up."

The Lincoln County Food Bank has expanded its hours to accommodate more people seeking food. The pantry provides between 250 and 275 boxes of provisions each month.

"The majority (seeking help from the food bank) have come in one, two, three, four or five times," Sue Alborn said. "We did

have some 40 to 48 times, which means every month for four years. Those are retired living on Social Security only or they have a disability."

Statewide, the Census reported the poverty rate is 18.7 percent, up from 18.1 percent in 2000.

Women in Lincoln County were more likely than men to be below the poverty threshold, the new data indicated. New Mexico's wage gap showed that women

earned 78.6 cents for every dollar earned by a man doing the same job, reported the Half in Ten Campaign, a national effort to cut poverty in half in 10 years.

Better than one in three Lincoln County children, those under 18 years old, were living in poverty.

New Mexico's rate was 26.9 percent. But seniors 65 and older had a low poverty rate of 6.2 percent in the county, compared with 12.4 percent statewide.



DIANNE STALLINGS/RUIDOSO NEWS

Pastor Alan Stoddard of First Baptist Church at Cree Meadows and his daughter, Brianna, pack shoeboxes with donated items as part of Operation Christmas Child that benefits children in 100 countries.

BOXES

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these gifts of hope, including sea containers, trucks, trains, airplanes, boats, camels and dog sleds. Tracking technology also allows donors to "follow" their box to the destination country where it will be hand-delivered to a child in need.

This year-round project of Samaritan's Purse is coming to its peak, as local businesses, churches and schools prepare to collect gift-filled shoe boxes during

National Collection Week, Nov. 14-21.

To register shoe box gifts and find out the destination country, use the Follow Your Box donation form found at www.samaritanpurse.org/occ.

To find out more about the local effort or to coordinate a drop off of shoeboxes by an individual or organization, Jensen can be reached by calling 575-257-2081.

First Baptist Church is located at 270 Country Club Drive, Ruidoso.

The church is open from 8 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, and from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., on Saturday and Sunday.

TREES

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as part of the contract. The agreements said the contractors would chip the wood back onto the property or dispose of the slash. Ingle said placing the slash onto county or village of Ruidoso road rights of way, depending on the location, can be improper disposal. Greentree or the village's solid waste department then must pick up the materials at public expense. When a contractor walks away from the job, pocketing all of the fees, Ingle said landowners may become liable in the event of illegal dumping.

Those who have their property thinned of excess trees under the New Mexico State Forestry's cost share program have some due diligence with contractors, Ingle said.

"State Forestry-funded thinning contracts for landowners pay for and require proper disposal. In some cases this is not happening," she said.

Ingle said there is a simple way for landown-

ers to avoid having their slash illegally dumped. "Continue thinning your land, but do not prepay the contractor for disposal until material is disposed of and the contractor can produce a receipt from legitimate disposal sites."

There are four approved disposal locations in Lincoln County. Ingle said those are Bio-Grind, Inc., Greentree Solid Waste Authority, Sierra Contracting and White Mountain Composting. Each site will issue a receipt for materials disposed that can be presented to the landowner for final payment.

For Greentree Solid Waste customers, the authority will pick up and dispose of 12 cubic years of slash and pine needles for homeowners who pay a quarterly trash bill and are located within the

authority's yard waste service area. If the slash goes beyond the initial 12 cubic yards, the property owner must make disposal arrangements by contacting the solid waste authority at 575-378-4697. Ingle said if material shows up along a county or village road, and is identified as not being from the adjacent property owner, the originating landowner and contractor, if used, face citations and possible fines.

For more information about slash removal outside of Ruidoso, call Greentree at 575-378-4697, ext. 23, or view the authority's website www.greentreeswa.org.

Within the village of Ruidoso, property owners must follow the organic waste removal requirements that are on the village's website, www.ruidoso-nm.gov, under the Solid Waste Department. In addition to the village's slash pick up, Ruidoso residents can also take their slash to Sierra Contracting and dispose of it for free with proof of identification and a Ruidoso utility water bill receipt.

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Funeral held for unclaimed veterans

MILOAN SIMONICH
Texas-New Mexico Newspapers

SANTA FE — Ten solitary men who served their country, including a soldier from World War I, were buried Tuesday in a mass funeral.

"It's a privilege to claim these forgotten warriors as our own," said Gov. Susana Martinez, who gave the eulogy.

In some cases, the remains of these veterans went unclaimed for decades.

One of the 10 was a retired Army colonel whose military status approached that of legend.

His name was John Garnett Coughlin, and he received the Distinguished Service Cross for uncommon bravery in the Korean War. The Distinguished Service Cross is the second-highest award for valor in combat, behind only the Medal of Honor.

Coughlin, who also served in World II, died in

1987. He was 79 years old, and his unclaimed body was cremated.

For years, his ashes sat in an urn at the Berardinelli Funeral Home in Santa Fe. Separate urns at Berardinelli held the remains of the other nine servicemen.

Another was Army Pvt. John L. Craft, who was born in 1901 and as a teenager served in World War I. Craft died in 1983.

But the most belated burial was for Donald Claire Smith, a sailor during World War II. He died in 1975, when Gov. Martinez was a sophomore in high school.

The 10 veterans' lives may have been painful and lonely at the end, but on this balmy autumn afternoon they received a stirring sendoff.

About 150 people attended their funeral. One was retired Maj. Gen. Frank J. Schober Jr., who lives in Santa Fe.

Schober said he was

stunned that a soldier of Coughlin's accomplishments had somehow died without anyone seeming to notice.

"How does that happen?" Schober asked.

Even a hero such as Coughlin, it seems, can slip through the cracks for a generation. His burial came almost a quarter-century after his death.

Martinez said all 10 were brave men whose contributions were finally and fittingly recognized in a public service.

"Today, they receive the honor they deserve," she said.

The funeral was part of the Forgotten Heroes Burial Program. It provides for a full military burial of the cremated remains of veterans whose bodies were not claimed by relatives.

It is a combined effort of the Missing in America Project, the Albuquerque office of the U.S. Department of Veterans'

Affairs, the New Mexico Department of Veterans' Services and the Santa Fe National Cemetery.

The ashes of all 10 were buried on the east side of the cemetery, said Cliff Shields, the director.

This was the second such mass burial service for him. Sixteen veterans who died in Bernalillo County and whose bodies went unclaimed were buried last year at Santa Fe National Cemetery.

There is a saying about those in military service and others who die for their country: "All gave some. Some gave all."

The 10 honored Tuesday were in another category — almost forgotten. But, at long last, the country they served made sure they were remembered.

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His blog is at nmcapitol-report.com.

The 10 veterans who were buried Tuesday

John Garnett Coughlin. Born in 1908 in Bisbee, Ariz. Died in 1987. Recipient of the Distinguished Service Cross for valor in the Korean War. He also served in World War II.

Jackson Evert Shirley. Born in 1918 in Williams, Ariz. Died in 1983. Recipient of the Silver Star, third-highest medal for valor in combat. Served in World War II and the Korean War.

Edward Grimm Lucius. Born in 1916 in Chicago. Died in 1979. Served in World War II.

Donald Claire Smith. Born in 1901 in Roswell. Died in 1975. Served in World War II.

Milton Vincin Burroughs, born in 1920 in Jeffersonville, Ind. Died in 1983. Served in World War II.

Gerald Edwin Huber, born in 1921 in Los Alamos. Died in 2009. Served in World War II.

Richard Landrum Thomas. Born in 1917 in Washington, D.C. Died in 2010. Served in World War II.

John L. Craft. Born in 1901 in Bonne Terre, Mo. Died in 1983. Served in World War I.

Charles Thomas Stewart. Born in 1936 in New Boston, Ohio. Died in 1990. Served in Korea.

Henry D. Nichols. Born in 1918 in Pleasantville, N.Y. Died in 1981. Served in World War II.

Perk-Grindstone Mesa timber sale open for bids

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A timber sale that is part of a larger Perk-Grindstone project approved in 2008 by the U.S. Forest Service is open for bids.

The Grindstone Mesa timber sale three miles west of Ruidoso was designed with the aim of

reducing the fuel for wild fires and restoring the health of the watershed. Jay Lininger, ecologist with the Center for Biological Diversity, said his group did not oppose the project.

According to a summary at the time of approval, "The objective of Perk-Grindstone is to restore fire-adapted forest systems to have a more complex mosaic of stand densities across the landscape.

A shift would occur toward larger-sized trees and less under growth to achieve a more balanced size-class distribution, reduce the amount of ladder fuels and create more canopy gaps through more widely spaced groups of trees to allow growth of grasses, forbs and shrubs in the small openings.

The approach is designed to reduce the

potential for crown fire spread and allow dominant trees to grow into large trees with less risk of tree mortality from bark beetles."

The sale proposes to harvest 1,750 CCF (100 cubic feet of solid wood) of Ponderosa pine, about 1,546 CCF for saw timber and the rest for pulpwood.

The gated road to the sale area is just east of Grindstone Reservoir and is locked. Call 575-257-4095 for the combination to examine the site.

A performance bond is required at 10 percent of the total bid value of the sale. The bids will be opened at 10 a.m. Nov. 29, at the Smokey Bear District Office on Cedar Creek Road and Mechem Drive.

The work must be completed by Sept. 30, 2013.

PRC imposes penalty on PNM for savings program

MILOAN SIMONICH
Texas-New Mexico Newspapers

SANTA FE — State utility regulators on Tuesday imposed a \$40,000 penalty on Public Service Co. of New Mexico.

One part of the regulatory commission's staff wanted to penalize the company by more than \$300,000. Another segment of the staff recommended no punishment at all.

Jason Marks, a public regulation commissioner, pressed for the \$40,000 penalty, saying it was appropriate for this circumstance.

Marks said that, because the company's wrongdoing was of a tech-

nical nature, he did not favor an excessive penalty. The other three commissioners ended up agreeing with him.

At issue was the electric company's program to save power by curtailing the air-conditioner usage of willing customers.

Public Service Co., on hot days with high demand for air-conditioning, automatically reduces power for short periods. This enables the company to save energy during times when consumption is highest.

But, Marks said, the company altered its budget for program by more than 25 percent without telling the Public Regulation Commission. That was a

violation of the rules governing the arrangement.

Had the company notified state regulators, its plan to alter the budget most certainly would have been approved, Marks said. Because the company violated the process, a penalty was justified, he said.

"I think it's important that utilities respect the commission, and that's why I wanted some penalty," Marks said.

Public Service Co. has about 500,000 customers and is the largest electricity provider in New Mexico.

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Guilty plea in Last Chance fire

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An El Paso man faces up to six months in prison and a \$5,000 fine, after he pled guilty to a misdemeanor charge of leaving a fire unattended.

The Last Chance Fire in late April and early May went on to burn 53,342 acres and damaged four structures on the Lincoln National Forest.

The initial cost to suppress the fire was put at \$2.9 million.

Through a plea agree-

ment, Rodrigo Ulloa-Esquivel, 29, pled guilty to one count of a three-count indictment in U.S. District Court in Las Cruces last Friday.

In the agreement, Ulloa-Esquivel admitted that on April 24 he lit toilet paper on fire near a campsite at the Last Chance Canyon on the Lincoln National Forest's Guadalupe Ranger District. Fire restrictions were in place at the time.

Because of strong winds, sparks from the burning toilet paper spread beyond

Ulloa-Esquivel's ability to control the flames. He and his friends tried to put out the fire but were unsuccessful and left the area without calling the U.S. Forest Service or other responders to report the fire.

The Last Chance Fire spread for several days. It was declared controlled on May 9.

Ulloa-Esquivel is free on conditions of release pending his sentencing hearing, which has not yet been scheduled.

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The red sun on New Mexico's state flag is an ancient symbol of a Native American people called the Zia. The Zia believed that the giver of all good gave them gifts in groups of four, hence the four rays on the four sides of the sun.

Developer selected for Bog Springs project

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Stream Dynamics from Silver City was selected Tuesday to design and supervise installation of stream channel improvements along Warrior Drive near Ruidoso High School, the first court-mandated project aimed at improving the quality of water in the Rio Ruidoso.

The project is a partnership with the high school and will involve participation by students.

Acting Village Planning Director Bob Decker said a presentation was pitched to

the school board and members support the project.

The Joint Use Board that governs the regional wastewater treatment plant also was briefed, because the project qualified for credit toward the consent decree that requires the village to spend up to \$850,000 on environmental improvements to the Rio Ruidoso.

The Rio Ruidoso Restoration Committee was designated by the consent decree as the group that selects the qualifying projects.

The village and the city of Ruidoso Downs were

forced to build a new \$36 million high tech plant if they wanted to continue to discharge effluent into the Rio Ruidoso.

State and federal environmental agencies attached more stringent standards for phosphorous and nitrogen in the discharge.

Some property owners and a non-profit environmental group sued the village over the quality of water in the river, which was experiencing heavy algae growth, stole oxygen from aquatic life and clogged diversion pipes for those with rights to divert

from the river.

Improvements were to be aimed at reducing the flow of contaminants from the treatment plant and from non-specific sources such as the thousands of septic tanks in the two municipalities, and manure and fertilizer runoff from pastures.

A request for proposals for this first project was issued Aug. 16, and responses were due by Sept. 9.

Twenty-one inquiries were received, but by the due date, only two proposals were submitted from Wilson & Co., and from

Stream Dynamics.

An evaluation committee met Oct. 12, and Stream Dynamics received the highest total score, 443 out of a possible 500.

"Staff will negotiate a price for the design work and bring that back to you with their construction cost estimate, Decker told councilors. "Using students should limit the expense on the village's side."

The project was identified as something that would help with drainage and improve the river by stopping erosion in the area, slowing down runoff

in the Bog Springs area.

Decker said the high school principal was looking for a project for students and the school carries insurance to cover their participation.

Village Attorney Dan Bryant said permission slips also should be signed by parents.

Liability insurance "is outside our scope," he said. "We just fund it. The contractor indemnifies us or the school."

Councilor Jim Stoddard asked Bryant and Decker to double check the liability question.

Home plan change avoids variance

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With a little historical context and a bit of compromise, a couple trying to establish a seasonal home in Ruidoso walked away from a planning and zoning commission meeting without having to obtain approval of a setback variance.

Jerry Gowler from Lubbock, Texas, and his wife applied for a reduction in setback standards for the front of their lot in Ponderosa Heights from 20 feet to 13.7 feet, and on each side from 4.7 feet to 5 feet. No change was requested for the 10-foot requirement in back.

Gowler said at the meeting last week that he purchased two lots to accommodate his singlewide mobile home and to allow space for parking and a two-vehicle carport or garage.

Jack Johnson is handling the trenching and site preparation and installation of the pad for the structure. Gilbert Gonzales is the surveyor, he said.

Gowler said he received copies of the covenants that go with the land from the Realtor who sold him the lots over Labor Day and they stated no setbacks were required on the ends of the land.

"But I found out that is not correct for village regulations," he said. He already purchased the mobile home. "I'm at your mercy. It's the first time I've done this," Gowler said. "We measured it all out with a tape and Jack and Gilbert did what they thought I should do."

Planning and Zoning Commissioner John Cornelius suggested that if

"I'm at your mercy. It's the first time I've done this."

Jerry Gowler
Home owner

Gowler would tell Johnson to dig the hill out behind the proposed site a little more and set the mobile home in deeper, he wouldn't need such a substantial front setback.

If Gowler would reduce the size of the garage from 30 feet by 30 feet to 24 feet or 20 feet, two cars still could fit and one side setback variance wouldn't be needed, Cornelius said.

Donda Richardson, representing an adjoining property owner who is trying to sell a small vacant lot, said her client objected to any action that would obstruct her access to the land.

After 10 minutes of discussion and suggestions from commissioners about how Gowler could reduce or avoid having to ask for any variances, the applicant mentioned that he had a copy of variance granted to a previous owner in 1988. He only recently found out about it, he said.

Building Official Shawn Fort said if the 5.7 foot variance was filed and recorded, it still was in effect, giving Gowler enough leeway to fit in his front setback.

Cornelius said if Gowler would construct a 20 foot by 30 foot carport or garage and center the mobile home, then no variances would be needed.

"All we can do is make suggestions," he said. "You don't have to follow them and we don't have to grant a variance."

Commission Chairman

Larry Wimbrow said a 20 foot by 30 foot garage would leave enough room for a workshop that Gowler said he also would like to create. But the only way it would work is to attach the garage to the house with a sufficient firewall between.

"If you don't drive big trucks, then you will be O.K.," Cornelius said. "You

have to decide if it works."

Commissioners took a short break while Gowler called his surveyor and excavator to confer.

When he returned, he agreed to changing the size of the garage and orientation of the mobile home further back in the lot to fit within the setbacks, using the recorded 1988 variance.

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41% say newspapers are the medium used most to check out ads, more than all electronic media combined. (TV, radio, Internet)

77% of newspaper readers took an action as a result of a print newspaper ad in the past 30 days. 59% clipped a coupon, 52% bought something advertised and 45% visited a store.

60% of newspaper readers followed up a newspaper ad online in some way. 44% went to a website after seeing a print newspaper ad and 28% conducted an online search after seeing a newspaper ad.

82% of readers used a preprinted insert in the past 30 days. On average, adults keep inserts 4.4 days. 59% used to compare prices, 55% used to compare one circular to another, 52% saved until visiting the store and 43% used to make an unplanned purchase.

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County disputes obligation to retiring workers

New standards may cause new expenses for county

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Proposed changes to pension accounting and person financial reporting prompted a letter from Lincoln County to the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB).

"Regarding the impacts of retirement programs on the future financials of Lincoln County, I sent a letter to the Governmental Accounting Standards Board," Tom Stewart, the county's manager said.

GASB, the independent organization that establishes financial accounting and reporting standards for state and local governments, said the primary objective of changes to the pension regulations was to improve the system.

But in his letter, Stewart said the changes would mean an additional and unfair burden to the county.

"Unlike local governments who truly have a future fiscal obligation to their retirees, the county of Lincoln belongs to the New Mexico PERA (Public Employees Retirement Association), a state legislative program prescribed

"To saddle the county's future financials with a partial state obligation that does not exist is unfair and does not present a true picture of the future fiscal capability of the entity."

Tom Stewart
Lincoln County Manger

in statute," the comments stated. "As such, the retirement program is funded by employer and employee contributions much like Social Security. The county of Lincoln has no further obligation to its retirees once they depart the work force.

"To saddle the county's future financials with a partial state obligation that does not exist is unfair and does not present a true picture of the future fiscal capability of the entity.

"The county proposes that where there is an obligation upon the entity that it be so reflected on the

financials. Where there is no such impact, a simple statement of no such obligation be applied."

GASB has just wrapped up several forums and public hearings seeking comments.

The organization said the modifications to two drafts, Accounting and Financial Reports for Pensions, and Financial Reporting for Pension Plans, would not only improve retirement information and impacts.

There would also be disclosure requirements for employers with liabilities to a pension plan.

ALPINE TREATS



DAVID TREMBLAY/FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

With a mouthful of greens, an elk cow fattens up for the coming months of snow in the mountains around Ruidoso.

Capitan clinic set to open

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The new Capitan Clinic, owned by Lincoln County, will be officially dedicated with a grand opening scheduled for 4 p.m. Nov. 17. But a move from the currently used Rose Clinic facility in Capitan was anticipated within a week, said Lincoln County Manager Tom Stewart.

For a good part of the last decade there had been effort to establish a public clinic in Capitan.

"We're so close," Stewart said Tuesday. "The hospital is chomping at the bit to move in."

The Lincoln County Medical Center operates the Rose Clinic as well as two other county clinics.

The much-anticipated \$950,000 facility received a \$500,000 Community Development Block Grant 18 months ago.

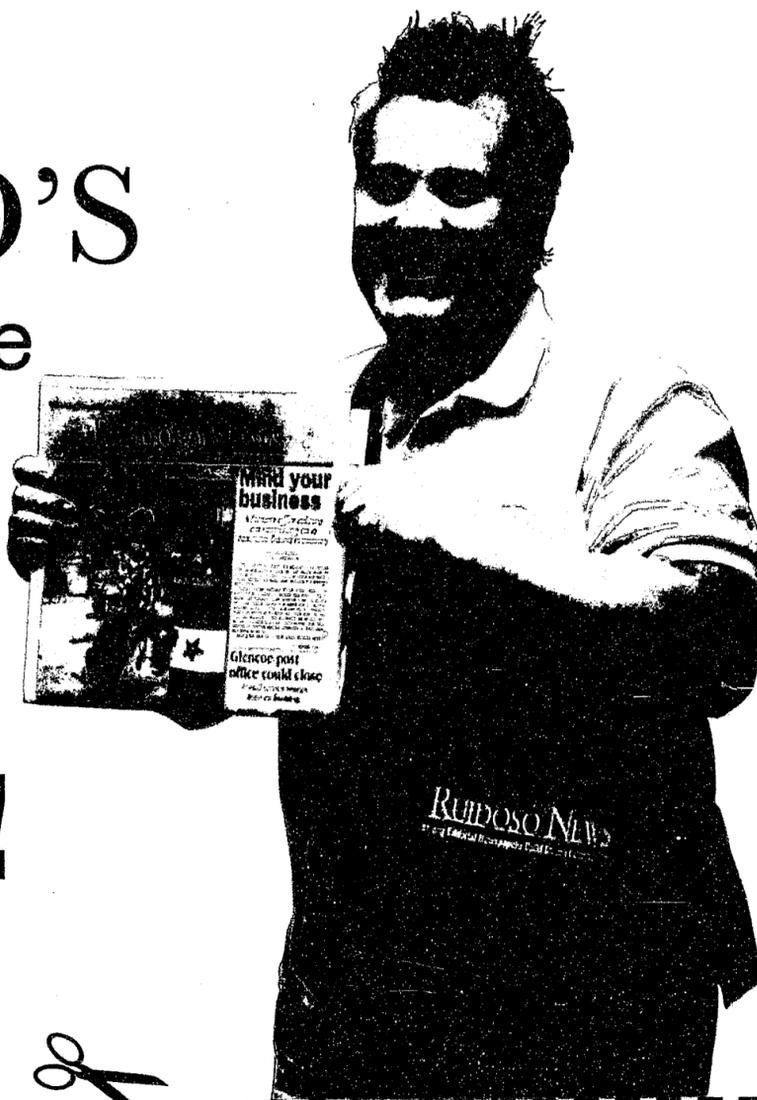
Testing and balancing the air conditioning system, installing a Braille exit sign, and lowering two sinks by one-inch to meet

American with Disability Act requirements will be undertaken. Stewart said a final walk-through will be soon scheduled.

"You might see a tower go up behind two clinics, the Carrizozo Clinic and the Capitan Clinic," Stewart said. "We're going to set up a system of telemetry that communicates to the clinics."

Information technology equipment was installed at the Capitan facility in October, following a punch list meeting.

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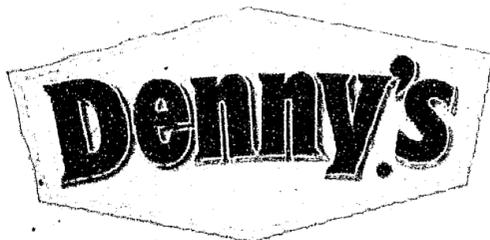
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High school football report

Tigers pounce, Eagles soar; Warriors and Chiefs fall

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Nearing the end of the regular 2011 football season last weekend, the four local football teams still playing, gave good efforts. Two won and two lost.

The Capitan Tigers "won out" with victories in their last two games when they scuttled visiting Magdalena, 41-26.

The Hondo Eagles dovebombed the Vaughn invaders, 28-14, to take a first-round win in the 6-man quarterfinals.

The Ruidoso Warriors took one on the chin in a tough loss at Lovington, 48-44, in a last-man-with-the-ball-scores battle.

The Mescalero Chiefs were quickly captured at Mesilla Valley, 54-0.

Capitan

The Tigers were told by their first-year head coach Collin Justiss, more than two weeks ago, they would have to win-out in their last two games (both district battles) if they expected to have any chance to make the state playoffs.

Evidently, his warning fell on open ears because that's exactly what they did

by 50-pointing Mescalero two Friday's ago, 56-6, and dehorning the visiting Magdalena Steers, 41-26, last Friday. With that last win, Capitan went to 5-4 overall and 2-1 in district action.

"I told the boys 'it's win or stay home for us' and they heard my prompting," Justiss said. "Defensively, we played well. Offensively, we made some mistakes — like turning the ball over and incurring needless penalties. The aggressive penalties I can handle, even borderline calls I can cope with. But uncalled-for infractions are wasted efforts. You should win the game a certain way."

By the end of the first quarter, the visitors led 6-0. At the half it was 7-6 Capitan. Two of Magdalena's touchdowns came in the closing minutes of the game against younger Capitan players.

"Magdalena played it out to the end of the battle," Justiss said. "Their football program is coming along fine, and my hat is off to them. Thomas Fields played one heck of a game for us, defensively."

Next up for the Tigers will be a Saturday trip to 4-

5, 2-1, Jal, for a 2 p.m. skirmish. The losers will pack it in for the 2011 season.

The Panthers lost at Fort Summer Friday, 24-8, and could be licking their wounds — or not. On Sept. 23, Jal took the measure of the Chiefs, 45-8, in Mescalero.

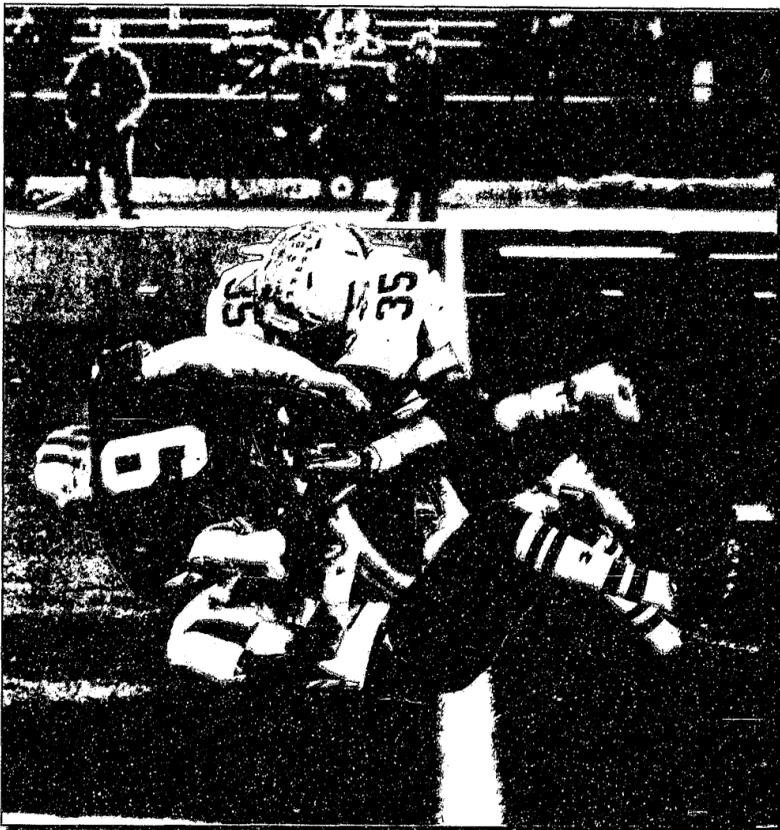
"We'll have to corral Jal's backfield," Justiss explained. "They have some big athletes who are play-makers. If we play a smart game — with few penalties — and hit hard we should do OK. The Tigers are runners-up in D3-1A and I'm glad we have another week of football. I feel our program is headed in the right direction."

Hondo

The Eagles gave a gutsy, winning performance Friday as they took down visiting Vaughn, 28-14. Some may think Hondo should have won by a bigger margin — but make no mistake — this year's Vaughn 6-man version has some players. In their game before Hondo, they posted a 100-70 slugfest win over San Jon.

Hondo wasted no time and Christian Guillen rambled 40 yards at the 7:52 mark of the first quarter to put the hometown boys up, 6-0.

With 4:16 still left on the clock in the first period of play the Eagles scored



LAYNE HOLLAND/FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Mathew Carr, No. 35, and Clayton Blaylock bring down a Lovington runner in Ruidoso's 48-44 loss.

again. A successful PAT put Hondo up 14-0.

With three seconds left in the same period, Vaughn added six of their own to cut their disadvantage, 14-6.

On the ensuing kickoff, with a mere two seconds left in the quarter, return spe-

cialist and spread-back, Roberto Nores, galloped 50 yards to the house. A two-point PAT put the Eagles up, 22-6.

Vaughn answered with eight points of their own with only 1:33 left on the clock in the half to shave the

lead, 22-14.

"In the locker rooms during halftime we got on the chalkboard and made sure of our blocking assignments," Hondo head coach

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SPECIAL OLYMPICS — RUIDOSO BOWLING TEAM



COURTESY

The regional bowling tournament was held in Roswell on Oct. 1. They competed against teams from Roswell, Clovis, Artesia, Carlsbad, and The Permian Basin. They will go on to compete at the state level at the Special Olympics New Mexico State Classic, which is held in Las Cruces on Nov. 19. The team members have been holding various fundraisers that allow them to compete in these tournaments. The support of the people of Ruidoso and Lincoln County has been outstanding and the Ruidoso Bowling Team wants to thank everyone for their love and support. Back row: Simon Gomez (1st), Matthew Townsend (3rd), Keith Gomez (2nd), Tyler Shipp (1st); front row: Ernest Trujillo (1st), Isaiah Romero (1st), Lura Voss (1st), Tasha Carpenter (1st). Not pictured: Brandon Widener (1st).

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Brandon Devine said. "I told them to play hard and hit the field like it was 0-0 at the beginning of the third quarter. I wasn't concerned about Vaughn's play - I was concerned about ours because that was something we could control."

At the 6:32 mark of the third quarter, Nores, raced 35 yards, for what proved to be, the final score of the game. A missed PAT put Hondo up, 28-14.

A defensive struggle played out for the final 10-minute period of the contest and the Eagles came away with a 14-point victory.

"I knew this would be a fairly close game," Devine said. "This was the first time Vaughn made the playoffs in the nine years I've coached at Hondo. I'm proud of them."

"I felt we could hold them in the last quarter defensively and that's what the boys did. Sophomore James Chavez had four sacks in the contest and played a great second half."

Friday, the 5-3 Eagles will travel to 7-0 Clovis Christian for a 7 p.m. tilt.

"The motto this week in practice will be 'Go big or go home,'" Devine said. "When we played them on Sept. 23 we proved to ourselves we could play on their level in the first quarter. But from there on out, things fell apart for us. This time, all the chips are on the line. I truly feel the cream of 6-man football has risen to the top with Hondo, Clovis, Lake Arthur and Dora fight-

ing it out for the top spot."

Ruidoso

The Warriors traveled to Lovington Friday to take on the Wildcats in an important D4-3A fight. Ruidoso was 5-3, 0-0, while Lovington was 5-3, 1-0. A win over the Wildcats would have been big, but it was not to be as the Warriors narrowly went down to defeat, 48-44.

"It was a heartbreaker," Ruidoso head coach Kief Johnson said. "The boys played their tails off and at the end, knew they had given a tough effort. Last year, the Wildcats beat us 55-14 at Horton Stadium and this season we came close to taking them down. Our athletes showed what hard work in the off-season can come to mean to an overall effort during the season. Everybody - coaches and players from both sides (Lovington and Ruidoso) all felt it was a great game. Naturally, it would have been better if the Warriors had walked away with the win."

Lovington broke out on top at the end of the first 12 minutes of play, 12-7. By halftime, the Warriors had taken a 25-19 lead.

"I told them in the locker rooms they had to be willing to give it their all if they expected to have a chance for victory - and they responded in the last two quarters," Johnson said.

At the end of the third period of play it was Ruidoso, 37-33.

Late in the fourth quarter, the Wildcats intercepted a Warrior pass and ran it back to the Ruidoso 2-yard line where they punched it

in for the go-ahead score.

The Warriors answered with a drive down to the Lovington 15-yard line. With 1:37 left in the game, Ruidoso fumbled on a 4th and two and left with a 4-point loss.

Quarterback Sam Williams had his best game ever with 396 total yards. He made 47 pass attempts and connected 33 times. Running back Julian Lopez had a great outing with seven catches for 181 yards, including one long-gainer for 89 yards.

"Lopez made a great diving catch near the end of the first half near the 3-yard line, which allowed us to kick a field goal and go up by six at the half," Johnson said.

Devon Carr had his coming-out game with four rushes for 36 yards, two catches for 37 yards along with two touchdowns.

"He ran over people," Johnson said.

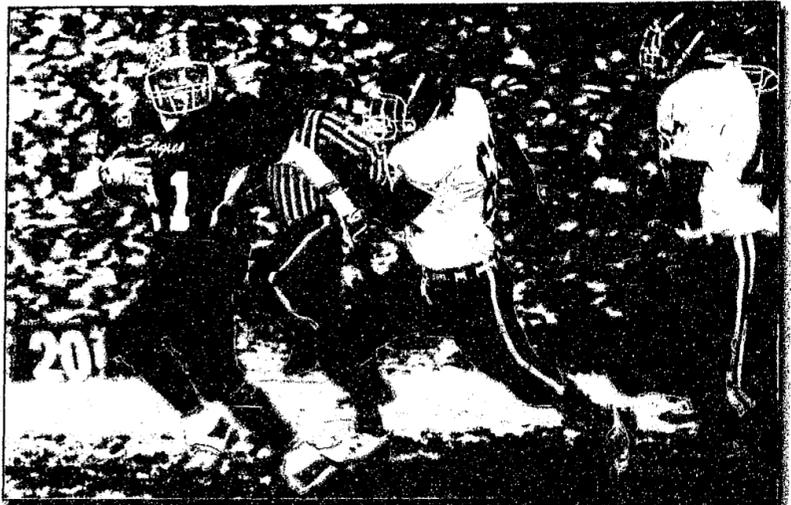
Kalama Davis contributed to his team by putting 20 points on the board with three TDs and a 2-point conversion. In the rushing department he ran 16 times for 81 yards.

Beto Fernandez was three-for-three in PATs and was one-for-one in field goal attempts.

Freshman wide receiver Parker Johnson had another good game as he hauled in eight catches for 116 yards.

Ismail LaPaz had two rushes for 53 yards.

"Defensively, Dylan Demarest had a great interception in the first half and got us the ball back where we could then go on and score," Johnson said.



Roberto Nores races to a TD in the opening minutes of Hondo's 28-14 win over Vaughn Friday.

"It was an offensive game. Neither defense could stop the other's offense, but still, the Ruidoso defenders did not play not to lose - they played to win."

Friday, the Warriors will face off against the 4-4, 0-1, Portales Rams at Horton Stadium at 7 p.m. As of this report, Ruidoso is seeded No. 10 in state 3A football while Portales is No. 6. On Oct. 21, the Rams lost at home to Lovington, 37-7, for their second loss in a row. Last weekend Portales had a bye.

Last year, the Warriors shaded the Rams by one point, 27-26, in Portales.

"After our hard-fought battle with Lovington we now need to focus on the Rams," Johnson explained. "We must re-intensify our level of play, in this, our last regular season scheduled game, against a district rival."

Mescalero

The 3-7, 0-3 Chiefs

closed out their 2011 football season with a 54-0 loss at Mesilla Valley Saturday. It was the second game in a row they suffered the 50-point mercy rule, which came into effect at the beginning of the third quarter at 7-3, 3-0, Mesilla Valley Christian School. Next year, the Sonblazers will move up to 2A.

"Athlete to athlete, we couldn't match up to them, no matter what," Mescalero head coach Godfrey Cordova said. "We don't have speed and when you don't have that, you get burned. They simply outran us."

"They're a finesse team and run plays until they find what works. They spread us out and ran play-action passes, which worked for them. "This is the best team they've had since they joined 1A (while being 2A in basketball, baseball and volleyball). They could very well fight for the state

title."

Still, in all, Mescalero did have some bright spots to show for this season. "Our year could have been better," Cordova said. "We lost some games we should have won. But this year, we didn't lose any players to eligibility. We grew up this season. We're taking baby steps. We played three seniors on offense and four on defense."

"The younger players now realize this is a fast game and it will come down to how hard they want to work in the off-season, which we will start after Christmas."

"They will have to work on their athletic abilities in the weight room and in track and field. And that's what it will come down to - just how hard they want to apply themselves for their future."

"We have a good core of players for next year's team."

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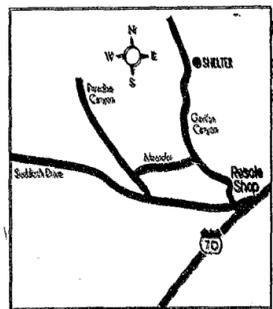
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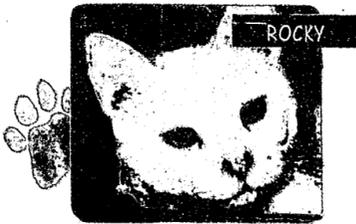
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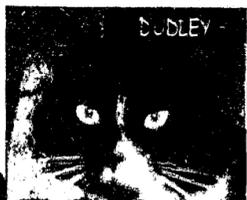
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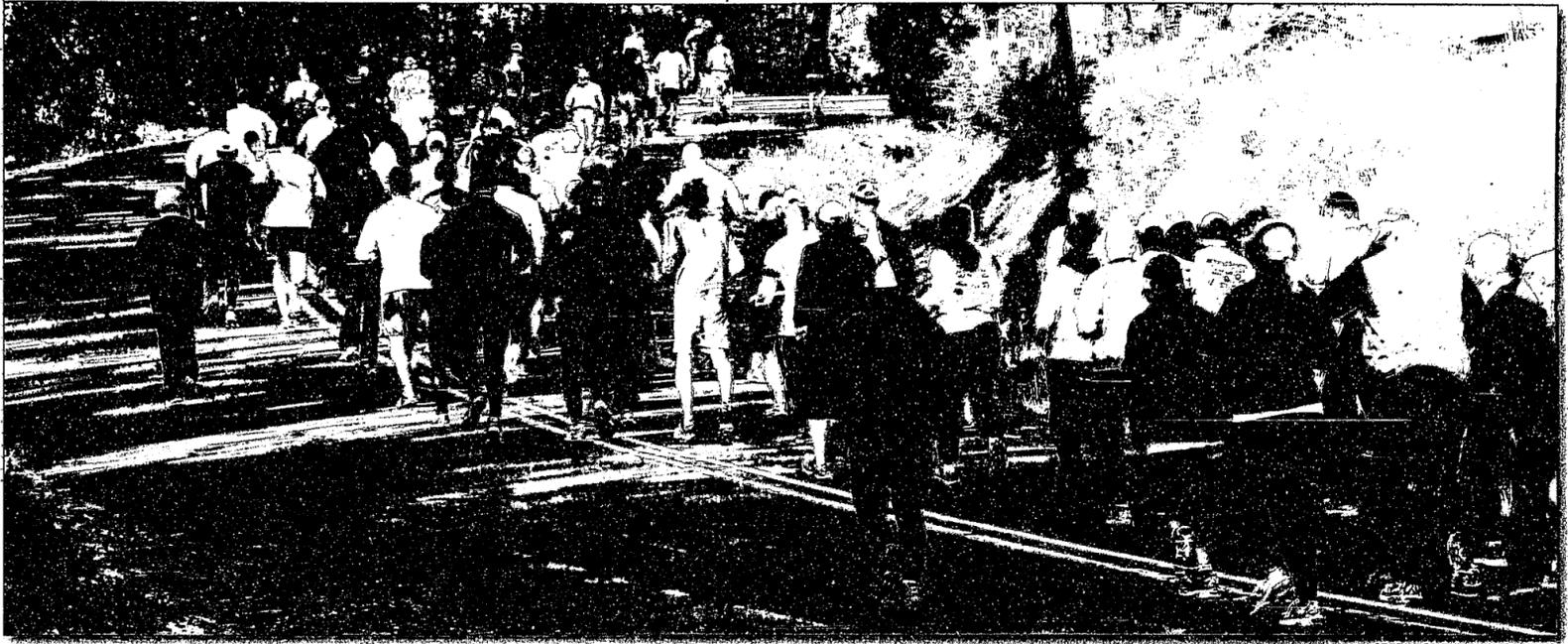
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The 2011 Ruidoso Ski Run Road Challenge, a 12-mile run up Ski Run Road, gets underway Saturday at 8 a.m.



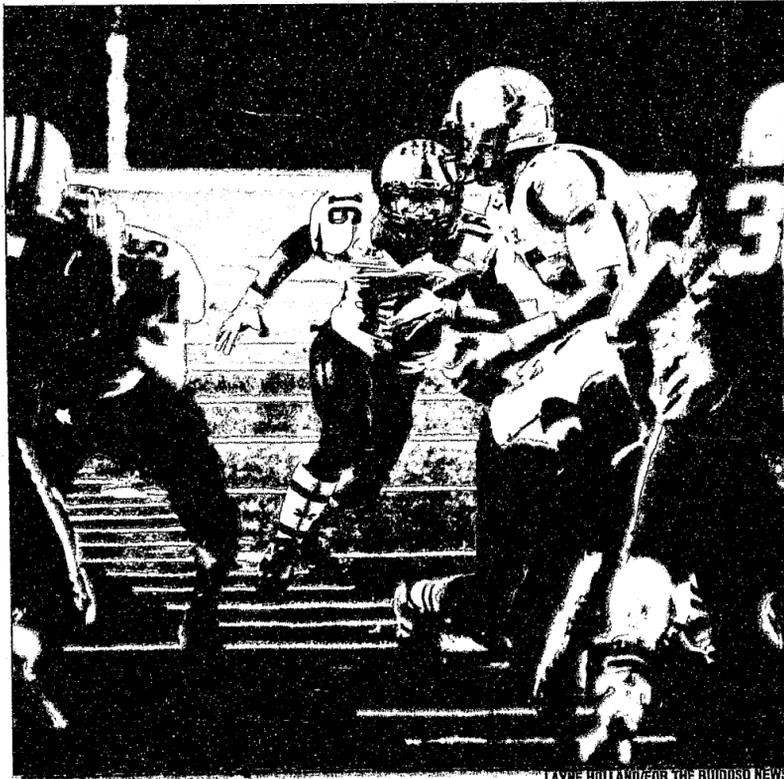
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Ruidoso's quarterback Sam Williams passes downfield as Daniel Marshall blocks in Friday's 48-44 loss at Lovington.



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Capitan's Thomas Fields brings down a Magdalena runner as Garret Schultz backs him up.



LAYNE HOLLAND/FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Quarterback Williams hands off to expectant Warrior Kalama Davis.



JOHN T. SODEN/FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Young race fans enjoy Saturday's Ruidoso Ski Run Road Challenge. From left are 9-year-olds Carolina Orranti and Marcella Perchel, 7-year-old Carlos Orranti and 12-year-old Elisa Perchel.



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Capitan's Ruben Mendoza carefully follows his blockers in Friday's 41-26 win over Magdalena.



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Eric Olsen, currently from Holloman Air Force Base, stood waiting to run bare chested because, according to Olsen, "I'm from Utah and this temperature does not feel cold to me." The temperature at the start of the Saturday's Ruidoso Ski Run Road Challenge at 8 a.m. was 41 degrees.

LINCOLN COUNTY

Petition time running out for post office

Glencoe office still faces closure, despite renewed five-year lease, reps say

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For Glencoe residents, the chance to petition for their post office to remain open is running out.

Glencoe is more than halfway through its 60-day analysis period, which began on Oct. 1, said Ron Abalos, marketing manager for the Arizona and New Mexico

district.

"The last day for the public comment period is Dec. 1," said Peter Hass, spokesman for the Arizona and New Mexico district.

After the public comment period, the final district and headquarters review process will begin, a process that may take up to 72 days.

The Glencoe post office,

established in 1901, is still looking at a possible closure, despite a recently renewed lease that will run until 2016, costing the U.S. Postal Service about \$27,000 to buy out, Hass said.

The lease between the Postal Service and Bonnell Enterprises, Inc., which the service signed in September, was a surprise to Abalos, who spoke

to Glencoe residents on Oct. 6 about the Postal Service's need to reduce their expenses.

"It is unacceptable that the Postal Service failed to take responsible measures to save money. Signing a five-year lease a month before a proposed closing is incomprehensible," said Congressman Steven Pearce. "However, they're targeting rural

post offices for closings, when the people in rural areas generally have less access to the Internet, and are more reliant on their local post office."

Tularosa, the Postal Service's official option for Glencoe residents, was only considered on paper due to the fact that it is the distribution center for Glencoe, said Abalos during the Oct. 6 meeting,

adding that it was "a very poor option."

"We've talked about some alternatives that are closer than Tularosa," Abalos later said on Oct. 17, though he could not speak on which alternatives were being considered.

"Another example is that the people of San

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HALLOWEEN DELIGHTS



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Bryce Stone of Capitan takes his turn at the beanbag toss after his brother, Eleck, as Mary Ann Morrissey lays down the laws for the event, hosted annually by Capitan's Women's Club.

Library to host veterans

Veterans Day is observed on Nov. 11, regardless of what day of the week on which it falls.

This remembrance not only preserves the historical significance of the date, but helps focus attention on the important purpose of Veterans Day: A celebration to honor America's veterans for their patriotism, love of country, and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good.

Starting at 7 p.m. on Friday, four of Capitan's local veterans will present an inspirational program commemorating this historical day of remembrance, followed by refreshments.

Bag a book

The Capitan Public Library will have its monthly \$5 a bag book sale from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 5.

Complimentary coffee and cookies will accompany as many books as you can stuff a bag with.

Volunteer power

The Capitan Public Library also would like to extend its thanks to the following merchants and individuals who helped make the annual October Silent "Oction" a huge success:

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Roasted raccoon

"They'll get your chickens," "They make good pets," and "They clean their food before they eat."

This was the raccoon conversation that took

place when I stopped to eat at Carrizozo Senior Citizen Center.

One diner has a son in Arkansas who hunts coons. Another has a friend in Lincoln County who trains hound dogs for hunting.

One woman recalled that when she was a child, in

West Texas, she joined her elders as coons were chased in mesquite oil fields.

I wanted to know if coons were eaten and what did they taste like. My fellow Senior Citizen Center diners had never tasted coon. I became interested in coon hunting when I heard "Dale Evans" tell a story about coon hunting during her honeymoon days with Roy Rodgers.

Evans was portrayed by Ruidoso's Kay Kuhlmann



POLLY E. CHAVEZ
Historical Potpourri

at the village of Ruidoso Council Chambers. The Chautauqua event was sponsored by Ruidoso Public Library and Friends.

Playwright/actress Kay, in her portrayal, entertained her audience with stories about Dale's early life on her way to fame. Reminiscences of movie era and early television gave us an insight into the life of Dale and Roy.

Coon hunting was a hobby enjoyed by Roy and friends. Early in his career during the Depression era, Roy and his musical group were given air time on a Roswell radio station so they could promote their appearance in town.

I found a coon recipe in a cookbook, "Meats - Favorite Recipes of American Home Economics Teachers."

The section in Wild Game included recipes for sautéed doves, roast duck, elk steak, wild goose, lard-ed grouse, partridge, baked pheasant, grilled quail, braised rabbit, squirrel chowder, squabs in red wine, pan-broiled venison, and wild turkey.



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Kay Kuhlmann and Roy Rodgers talk about their honeymoon days, out hunting coons.

Roast Raccoon

Take one coon, dressed, and skinned the day before, and chilled overnight in the meat compartment of the refrigerator. (The chilling helps in removing the fat completely.)

Parboil coon by simmering gently for 15 minutes in water to cover, to which has been added 1 teaspoon baking soda.

Pour away this cooking water. Have ready your favorite stuffing, and skewers or large needle and twine with which to

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Nov. 5: varsity volleyball district championship at home, starting at 2 p.m.

Congratulations to...

Austin Howard placed 10th in the District Cross Country meet in Roswell on Friday, finishing the last leg of the race with only one shoe.

Carrizozo Little League Football team for defeating the Cloudcroft Bears on Saturday.

Lady Grizzly volleyball team for defeating Quemado and Reserve in three games over the weekend, sending them to the district championship games.

Suntana Zamora for finishing first for the Ruidoso Gymnastics Club meet in Las Cruces.

Events

Carrizozo Music in the Parks and the Piatigorsky Foundation of NYC are sponsoring a free concert on Nov. 3 at the Carrizozo School Old Gym at 1:15 and 6:30 pm at the Trinity United Methodist Church in Carrizozo.

Evan Drachman, cellist and grandson of Gregor Piatigorsky, accompanied by a pianist, will be playing. Both events are open to the public.

Call Elaine at (575) 648-2757 for more information or check the Music in the Parks website at www.carrizozomusic.org.

Swap meet starting at 10 a.m. Nov. 5 and 19 at Spencer Park in Carrizozo.

Call (480) 299-6441 for more information or to reserve a booth.

Union Pacific's Steam Locomotive No. 844 will be steaming through New Mexico Nov. 4 through 9 in honor of the state's Centennial.

The scheduled stop in Carrizozo will be at 4th Street and Court Street on Nov. 5, from 12:45 to 1:15 p.m.

Mountain Annie's - 7 p.m. Nov. 12, Will host a night of musical history and heritage. The Sons of the Pioneers will be performing along with an opening musical tribute by the Flying 'J' Wranglers.

Tickets are \$35 (military personnel receive a 20% discount) and can be purchased at Mountain Annie's, 2710 Sudderth or by calling (575) 257-7982 or online at www.mountainannies.com.

Leadership Lincoln begins its annual fund raising event with a raffle of four prize packages. Tickets are \$10, must be purchased by Nov. 29, and you must designate which package you wish to enter for. The drawing will be held Dec. 1.

Prize Packages:

Golf Package of two rounds of golf at each of three golf courses in Lincoln County: The Links, Cree Meadows, & Alto Golf Course, plus a two-night stay at The Lodge at Sierra Blanca.

Fusion Spa in River Crossing in Ruidoso, a \$550 value.

Amazon's Kindle Fire. Prize includes a \$50 Amazon gift card so the winner can download books or music of their choice.

\$500 Cash.

For tickets, contact any Leadership Lincoln Board member in your area or call or contact Brenda Berryhill, (575) 258-2265 BBerryhill@citybanknewmexico.com, or Linda Hand (575) 336-2449 leehand@hotmail.com.

Carrizozo meetings

Carrizozo Lodgers Tax: 1 p.m. Nov. 17, Town Hall.

Carrizozo Works: 5:30 p.m. Nov. 17, Otero Electric.

Chamber of Commerce: noon Nov. 8, Roy's.

Planning and zoning: 6 p.m. Nov. 22, Town Hall.

School Board: 6 p.m. Nov. 15, school grounds.

Town Council: 6 p.m. Nov. 14, Town Hall.

POST

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Patricio will be forced to drive .53 miles to Tularosa, because the post offices in nearby towns do not have enough boxes," Pearce said.

Closer post offices not targeted for closure would be Hondo, 11 miles away, or Ruidoso Downs, 12 miles away, though Abalos said no post offices in the area can guarantee that residents would keep their P.O. Box numbers.

Ticking clock

"If the office was determined to be closed, there would be a one-time payment to the owner (of the leased property)," Hass said.

Hass said it would cost the Postal Service \$26,776 to buy out the five-year lease, a cost that had "already been factored in" to potential savings if the

"These decisions show a complete and utter lack of foresight at the US Postal Service, and I find it appalling that they are trying to balance their books on the backs of rural America."

Steven Pearce
US Congress

office were to close.

The 10-year savings the service would realize would be about \$244,000, which included the cost to buy out the lease, Hass said.

"Overall, there's obviously a cost savings for the post office," Hass said, adding that the service would "have to stay in the facility until a decision was made."

Hass said the Postal

Service had been aware of the lease when the study of potential closures was conducted and the list of candidates for closure was published.

"These decisions show a complete and utter lack of foresight at the US Postal Service, and I find it appalling that they are trying to balance their books on the backs of rural America. I will continue to listen to the people of the Second District of New Mexico, and make sure their concerns on this matter are addressed," Pearce said, adding that combining facilities would require new construction in some instances, which would consume the savings of initial closings of many offices.

Residents wishing to send letters on behalf of their post office may mail them to the Postal Service at P.O. Box 21628, Phoenix, Ariz. 85036.

HALLOWEEN DELIGHTS



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Charles Clapper and Donna Charmichael serve up some frights for Halloween, volunteering for the Women's Club's haunted house.

LIBRARY

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Polhemus, Vessels of Adventure, Mary Jo Smith, Not 2 Shabby Shop, Fred Reed, Connie & Michael Rickenbacker, Pat Garrett, White Mountain Pottery, Debbie Myers, Ramirez

Bears, Kellerman's Emporium, Seasons Nursery, No Bones About It, Alice Warder Seely, George & Anne Hinch, Lincoln County Mercantile, Marsh Miller, Bill Duttweiler, Carlton & Joyce Davies, Rich & Linda Lauckhardt, Paul Durham, Jake Wolfhart, Sheila Puls, Rustic Expression, Earth-

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Haunted Trails

Candy-loving ghouls and 'goyles flock to Smokey Bear Park in Capitan Halloween evening to enjoy the thrills put on annually by Capitan's Women's Club.

From left, Sam Shaw, along with Eban, Salina, CJ, Joe, Scott, and Jarod Sabo return safely from the haunted trails.

photos by Erik Bearer

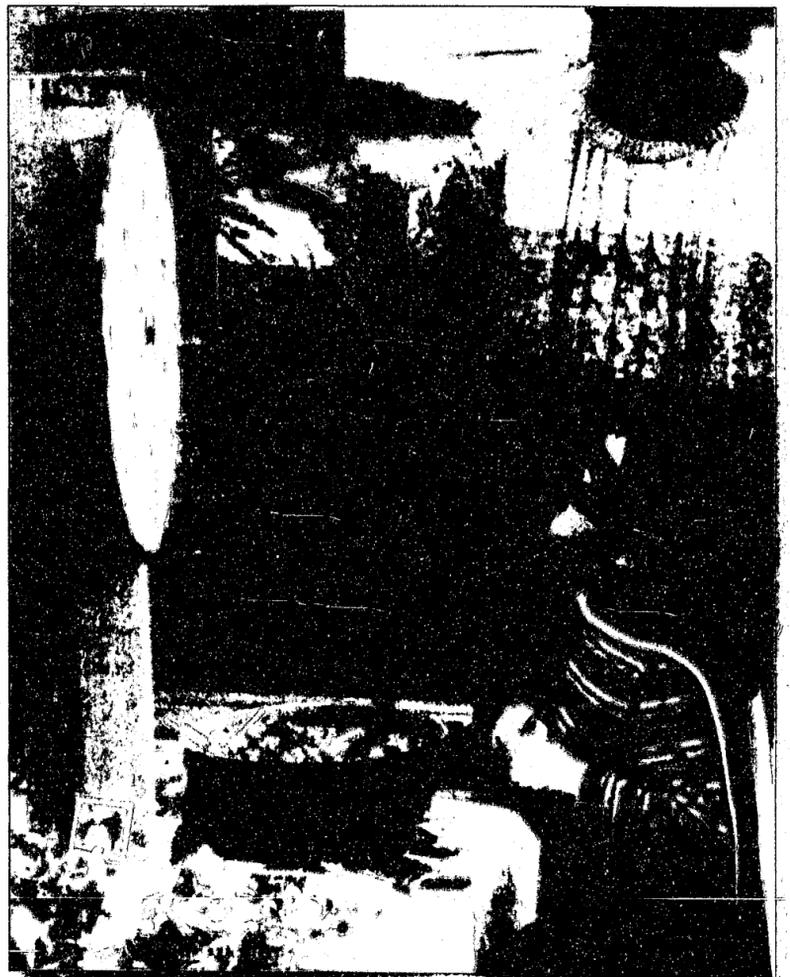


Above, Kaylee Jones decided she would be a little brave for Halloween, hunting for treats at the Women's Club Halloween event.



Below, with a nose for trouble, Matthew Sheffield looks for the earliest escape opportunity from his mother, Kalyn.

Not at all certain about the ghouls, Cheyenne Wilson is accompanied by her mother, Kristi, through the haunted trails.



Thomas Mitchell spins the wheel and answers a Halloween riddle, earning himself a tasty treat.

Martina McBride concert

photos by Dianne Stallings



Left, country star Martina McBride performs at the Inn of the Mountain Gods Oct. 30.

Country star Martina McBride dazzled crowds at the Inn of the Mountain Gods on Sunday.

Right, Shauna and Danny Sisson of Ruidoso before the Martina McBride concert.



Around the village

photos by Harold Oakes



Right, this black cat seemed to know what to do for Halloween, crossing Sudderth Drive between Mountain Annie's and Cornfort Inn after many of the Midtown Trick-or-Treat children had made their way to the other end of town.



Left, Easton Martin, 15-months, was corralled on the stairs and porch to keep him out of the heavy foot traffic during the Midtown Ruidoso Trick-or-Treat Monday.



Right, Levanii Leinwebber, 10 months, was not happy about being a flower for her first Halloween. She kept trying to pull the hood off.



Nick Rodela and Jackie Gallagher were serving up sandwiches, scares and satisfaction at Subway on Halloween.



Jana Townsend, general manager of TR's Market, was ready to lure Halloween shoppers into her web.

photos by Erik Bearer

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POLICE & COURTS

SLOW DOWN AND BUCKLE UP



Ruidoso Police Department Sgt. Mike Weaver, left, aims the LASER speed device at an on-coming vehicle on Sudderth Drive in front of Village Buttery Friday. Above, Weaver checks for speeding violations while Lt. Ray Merritt, Jr. looks for seat belt violations. The officers wrote more than 70 citations in three enforcement operations in three days last week. There were two speeding and seat belt enforcement operations conducted in Midtown Ruidoso and one speed enforcement operation conducted in the School Zone on White Mountain Drive.

DRUG TURN IN



HAROLD OAKES/RUIDOSO NEWS

Ruidoso Police Special Agent Richard Swenor shows off the 26 and one-half pounds of prescription drugs turned in to the police department during the "Turn in your drugs" event. The event was held Saturday, but Swenor said people were still turning in unwanted prescription drugs Monday. The drugs will be turned over to the Drug Enforcement Agency for disposal. "I was real pleased with the turn out for the turn in," Swenor said.

RUIDOSO POLICE BLOTTER

Oct. 19

5:23 p.m. - Officer Curtis Rodgers responded to a report of a burglary in the 200 block of Country Club.

The victim reported a DVD player and television stolen. Rodgers reported the front door was damaged.

The victim said she saw the burglars leaving the residence and described the vehicle as a small gray compact car. Rodgers reports she later changed the description to a van. When asked why she gave a false description of the vehicle, the victim reportedly said "I don't know."

Oct. 23

2:14 p.m. - Officer Tillman Freeman responded to the 100 block of Cree Meadows for a report of

criminal damage to property.

A maintenance man reported that someone had broken the back sliding glass door and the front door in what appeared to be an attempted breaking and entering.

The damage was estimated at \$500.

7:45 p.m. - Officer Tillman Freeman responded to the 100 block of Meander Drive for a burglary report.

The victim reported returning from a trip to find a towel missing from her patio and finding that her Bose surround sound system was missing from inside the home.

The victim reported she saw the towel at a neighboring house. Freeman reports he spoke with the neighbor, who denied taking anything.

Freeman reported receiving verbal consent to search the house. He reported finding part of the missing sound system covered by a blanket in a closet beside the stairs.

Freeman arrested Brandon Woods, 18, for burglary, larceny of more than \$500, receiving stolen property and tampering with evidence. Woods' bond was set at \$25,000 cash.

Oct. 24

1:20 p.m. - Officer Roger Hatcher responded to Walgreens for a report of a disorderly female.

Hatcher reports Alva Blake, 39, of Mescalero told him she was on probation. Hatcher reported she smelled of alcohol.

Hatcher contacted Adult Probation Officer Kenneth Vega. Vega obtained an arrest warrant for Blake.

Hatcher reports when he informed Blake she was under arrest, she began to use vulgar and abusive language within earshot of the Walgreens patrons.

Hatcher also charged Blake with disorderly conduct.

Hatcher reported Blake's blood alcohol tested at .220 and he found five cans of beer in her hand-

bag. Judge LaMay ordered Blake held on a no bond warrant.

Oct. 25

3:42 p.m. - Officer Tillman Freeman responded to the 200 block of Carters Lane for a battery report.

The victim alleged that his ex-girlfriend had beaten him. The victim said he slapped the top of the car and then punched the left rear window of his ex-girlfriend's current boyfriend's car, cutting his right index finger. He then reportedly accidentally wiped the blood on his ex-girlfriend and she punched him in the face. The second time she hit him in the face he reportedly fell to the ground striking his head on the road and blacking out.

Judge Lorena LaMay issued an arrest warrant for Stephanie Loretto, 21, for aggravated battery against a household member.

Freeman cited the victim, Michael Olivas, 23, for criminal damage to property.

- Ruidoso Police blotter entries are taken from Incident Reports prepared by the officers. For more go to www.ruidosonews.com



William "Bill" Wilson Gallacher, Jr.
1929-2011

William "Bill" Wilson Gallacher, Jr., was born October 18, 1929, to W.W. and Edna Gallacher in Carrizozo, NM. He went to rest in peace on October 30, 2011, with family by his side in Las Cruces, NM, where he was hospitalized. After graduating from Carrizozo High School, he went to New Mexico State University, where he got his B.S. in Agriculture. Soon after, in 1951, he served in the U.S. Marine Corps during the Korean War. His wife, Joy Gallacher of 51 years, survives Bill. He is also survived by his daughter Debra Grymko and husband Chuck, his son Gray Gallacher and wife Kellie, and daughter Lynn Howard and husband Bill. He enjoyed and spent time with his six grandchildren. His sister Jane Shafer and husband Bobby, and younger sister Anne Ferguson and husband Wally and their families consisting of nephews and nieces and their families also survive him.

A memorial service will be held at Trinity United Methodist Church in Carrizozo, NM, on Friday, November 4, 2011, at 11:00 A.M. with graveside services immediately following in White Oaks. A dinner will follow services at Trinity United Methodist Church and graveside services.

Bill Gallacher was a Mason, an outdoorsman, and was a lifelong member of Trinity United Methodist Church, and worked hard in the local Soil Conservation Service. Bill was fond of sports especially football and poker. Beloved by family and friends, he worked on his ranch and cared for all until the end of his days.

Bill P. Carrigan
1927-2011

Bill P. Carrigan, age 84 died Thursday, October 27, 2011 in a Temple, TX hospital. He was born October 15, 1927 in Roswell, NM to Joseph P. and Pearl (Harris) Carrigan.

Bill married Joanna Williams in 1948. He was a graduate from Roswell High School in 1947, he proudly served in the US Navy, he was a member of Ruidoso Chamber of Commerce, Cree Meadows Country Club Board and President, New Mexico State Realtor Board Treasurer, and a Dale Carnegie graduate. He was retired from working as a real estate appraiser and banker. Bill was Presbyterian. He moved to Belton four years ago from Ruidoso, NM where he lived for 30 years.

He is survived by his wife Joanna of Belton, 3 sons Mike Carrigan of Windsor, Colorado, Chris Carrigan of Helena, Montana and Pat Carrigan of Chandler, Arizona, one daughter Lynn Veale of Belton, TX, 9 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

A Memorial Service will be held at a later date.

Family requests any memorials be made to Assurance Home 1000 E. 18th Roswell, NM 88201 or a charity of your choice.

Hewett-Arney Funeral Home of Temple is entrusted with the arrangements.

Eve Williams

Dear All,

As one way to commemorate the life of our mother, grandmother Eve Williams, a memorial service will be held at 11 am on Saturday, November 12 at the Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount, 121 Mescalero Trail, Ruidoso, NM. Immediately following the service will be a reception in the Church Hall.

COMMUNITY LISTINGS

Lincoln County

Clubs/Associations

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Pine Top Car Club: Cruise on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. to various restaurants; Denise Dean, 257-4966.

Ruidoso Area Singles: Meet new friends for social activities - dining out, parties, potlucks, outings, dancing, games. Info: Linda, 575-258-5863, or Martha, 575-430-9808.

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

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

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

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

Education

ESL/Spanish GED: Classes sponsored by ENMU-Ruidoso Adult Basic Education English as a Second Language: Mon. & Wed. 3:30pm-5:00pm or Mon. - Wed. 6pm-8pm Spanish GED: Tues. - Thurs. 10:00am-1:00pm and Tues.-Wed. 4:00pm-8:00pm Sign up at the White Mountain Annex Building (203 White Mountain Drive) or call 258-1730

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

GED classes: Classes sponsored by ENMU-Ruidoso Adult Basic Education Block Classes Mon. - Thurs. 9:00am-Noon or Independent Study Mon. -Thurs. 1:00pm-5:00pm and Fri. 8:00am-5:00pm Sign up at the White Mountain Annex Building (203 White Mountain Drive) or call 258-1730

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

Help & Healing

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

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

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

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

Alcoholics Anonymous: Ruidoso Arid Group. Daily 7:30 a.m., noon, 5:15 p.m.; Mon., 6:30 p.m., women's open meeting; Thurs., 6:30 p.m.; Fri., 7 p.m.; Beginners and young people's big book

study; Sat, Sun, 7 p.m. 1216 Mechem Dr., Unit 1, (ground fl) Ruidoso. Info: 258-8885.

Alcoholics Anonymous: Ruidoso Sunny Spirit Group. Mon. & Thurs. at noon, Fri. at 5:30 p.m., Women's group meets Wed. at noon. Parish hall of the Episcopal Church of the Holy Mount at 121 Mescalero Trail.

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

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

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

H.E.A.L. and the Nest Domestic Violence Shelter: 515-378-6378; 24 hr Hotline: 866-378-6378.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Prepared Childbirth Classes: Meets 7 p.m. Tuesdays at the Lincoln County Medical Center's conference room. Six classes per session with qualified, certified instructors; Info: 257-7381 (ask for OB dept.).

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

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

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

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

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

Political

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

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

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

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

Service Organizations

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

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

B.P.O. Elks No. 2088: 7 p.m., first and third Thursdays, Elks Lodge Building, U.S. 70; Info: 257-2607.

B.P.O. Does: Noon, second and fourth Thursdays, Elks Lodge Building, U.S. Highway 70.

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

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

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

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

Laughing Eyes Kennels: Nonprofit breeder and trainer of service dogs seeks volunteers to assist with dog han-

dling, socialization, bookkeeping, fundraising, kennel upkeep. Call 575-354-4342, or www.lekennels.org.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Ruidoso Downs Auxiliary: 7 p.m. every first Monday at the Ruidoso Downs Senior Center off East Highway 70; Info: 378-8099 or 378-8316.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

White Mountain Search & Rescue Team is open for membership to volunteers interested in various disciplines. We meet at 7 p.m. every third Monday at First Christian Church, 1211 Hull, Ruidoso. Info: email@whitemountainsearch.org, Tony Davis, 575-336-4501 or visit www.nmsarc.org for NM search and rescue activities.

Veterans

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

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

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

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

Clubs/Associations

Otero County

Alamo Squares: Square dancing on 2nd and 4th Saturdays. 8 p.m. Info: 437-3043, 434-2618 or 437-5474.

Alamogordo Astronomy Club: Meets every third Friday. Mike Mosier, 437-8260.

Alamogordo Mustang Club: Meets at 6:30 p.m. the second Thursday of the month at Vision Ford. Daurian Orchard, 491-7952.

Barbershop Harmony Society: The "Sounds of Enchantment" barbershop chorus meets at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 1212 Washington Ave., Alamogordo, every Tue., 7-9 p.m. Gentlemen of all ages welcome. Info: 437-8832.

Boy Scouts: Programs open to boys first grade-age 20, girls tenth grade-age 20. Info: Suzy, 437-7640.

Chaparral Kennel Club: 6:30 p.m. every first Wednesday at various locations. Promotes purebred dogs and sponsors therapy visits, dog shows, matches and the rescue of purebred dogs. Michele,

434-5220.

The Christian Self-Employed Business Club: Breakfast meetings at 8 a.m. on Fridays. Any self-employed person and a guest are welcome to attend. Paul Collins, 437-8257.

Crochet Guild of America: The Alamogordo Touch of Class Chapter welcomes all levels. 437-3832.

Desert Basin Toastmasters: Meets 6-7 p.m. every Tuesday at Alamogordo Physical Therapy Center, 10th & Washington; every 2nd and 4th Tuesday at Holloman AFB Comm.Ctr. Guests welcome. Www.desertbasin.free-toasthost.com or call 921-4767.

Desert Castaways Duplicate Bridge Club: Meets 12:30 p.m. every Monday, Tuesday & Friday at the Alamogordo Senior Center, 2201 Puerto Rico. 437-2822.

Desert Mountain 4-Wheel Drive Club: Meets third Tue. of each month at Wok Inn. Dinner at 6 p.m., meeting at 7. Info: 491-4257 or 430-3608.

Enchanted Quilters Guild: Meets 7 - 9 p.m. every first and third Thursdays at Christian Church Fellowship Hall, 1300 Hawaii Ave. All are welcome. Info: 434-5162 after 4 p.m..

Experimental Aircraft Association: Meets at 7 p.m. every second Tuesday in the pilots lounge at Alamogordo-White Sands Regional Airport. Open to all, including non-pilots.

Girl Scouts: Open to girls ages 5-17. Nancy, 437-2921.

Golden Gears Car Club: Meets at 7 p.m. every first Thursday at the VFW annex building. Cruise-ins are on the last Saturday of each month at Sonic on the north end of town on White Sands Blvd. 434-0200.

The New Horizon Band: Rehearsals 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. Thursdays at the Alamogordo Senior Center. 434-4281.

Noel Southard Chapter of the National Wildlife Turkey Federation: Meets at 7 p.m. first Monday at the Aristocrat Assisted Living Center on Robert Balley Drive. 434-8356 or 434-1467.

Otero County Association of Educational Retirees: Meets 11:30 a.m. every third Tuesday at Margo's Restaurant, Alamogordo. Lincoln and Otero county educational retirees welcome. For info: Barbara, 585-5564 or Dave, 437-6948.

Singles of Otero County: Weekly activities to provide a social network for singles in the area. 18 & over welcome. 437-4035.

Solar Energy Association: Meets 6 p.m., every third Thursday (except summer) at Alamogordo Public Library. Public welcome. 682-6027.

Tularosa Basin Rockhounds: Meets every second Tuesday at First Christian Church, 2300 23rd St. Field trips every fourth Saturday, annual campouts and picnic. 437-3377.

White Sands Dart Association: Double team open tournaments 7 p.m. every Wednesday at Fraternal Order of Eagles Club, 471 24th St. Join to play or learn. Contact Deillah at 442-8750.

Education

ESL: English as a second language class. 9 a.m. each Monday, 1328 Scenic Dr. \$15 for workbook. Class sponsored by Mountain Valley Baptist Association; 437-9987.

H.E.L.P. Head Start: Accepting applications for pre-school children with or without disabilities. Free meals. Alamogordo Center: Maria Gallegos, 434-6313; La Luz Center: Martina Travis, 437-4485; Tularosa Center: Annette Chavez, 585-4818.

Integrated Instructional Services Department: Monthly Parent/Staff Advisory Committee meeting, 4 - 6 p.m. every second Tuesday at the IIS Building. Dr. Doug Householder, 439-3200.

Lacy Simms: Governing council meets at 5:30 p.m. every second and fourth Monday at First National Bank Building Atrium. Regular meetings are at 7:15 p.m.; 437-4011.

Help & Healing

Al-Anon: New Day Al-Anon group meets noon Thursdays at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 1212 Washington Ave., Alamogordo.

Alamogordo City Disability Council: Meets at 2 p.m. every third Wednesday at the Sgt. Willie Estrada Memorial Civic Center. Disability Resource Center, 439-1112, or Ann French at 439-4227 or 439-4889.

American Cancer Society Cancer Resource Center: Mon. & Tues., 1 - 4 p.m.; Wed. & Thurs., 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. Hats, wigs, scarves, bras, prostheses. "Look Good - Feel Better" make-up sessions by appt; 1212 E. 9th St., Ste. E; trained, certified "Reach to Recovery" volunteers. Free services. 575-437-6176, 430-1530, 437-0690.

Blood Pressure Screening: 9 a.m.-noon Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at the Red Cross office. Free; 700 E. First St., No. 765. 437-4421.

Calvary Baptist Clothes Closet: Open 2 - 4 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, 1200 Indian Wells Rd.; Clothing is free; Donations accepted. 437-0110.

Celiac Disease/Gluten Intolerance Support Group: Meets second and fourth Sundays, 2-3:30 p.m., in the conference room of ERA-Simmons Real Estate, 918 10th St., Alamogordo. Info: Kathie at 437-0603, Robin at 442-9419, or email paintedladies64@yahoo.com.

Child Health Care: No or low cost for children under 19. Apply at the Otero County Public Health Office. 437-9340, 437-9899, or 437-9093

COPE: Center of Protective Environment - 909 S. Florida Alamogordo, NM 88310

COPE: is a non profit organization founded in 1980 to address the problems of family and relationship violence by offering a range of services including: Crisis Intervention, Shelter, Advocacy, Support, Outreach, Education, Counseling. 24 Hour Crisis Line - 575-437-2673 Toll Free 1-866-350-COPE 2673.

Divorced & Widowed Adjustment Group: Meets at 6:30 p.m. every first and third Thursdays at Alamogordo Church, 2826 Indian Wells Rd. Non-sectarian self-help group dedicated to assisting men and women of all ages through the loss of a partner through divorce, separation or death. Info: Ben, 682-3621.

HIBAC: Counselors are available in the Nutrition Office at the Alamo Senior Center, 9 a.m.-noon, Monday & Wednesday to assist with supplemental insurance for Medicare.

Low Income Housing: Applications are accepted 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday-Friday at the Alamogordo Housing Authority, located at 104 Amigo Ave. Laura, 437-5621 ext. 11.

New Life Group of Narcotics Anonymous: Meets Sun. 6 p.m., Tuesday/Thursday/Friday 8 p.m. First Christian Church, 2300 23rd St.

Salvation Army Social Services: Open 10 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday; 10 a.m.-noon Friday; 443-0845.

Salvation Army Thrift Store: Open 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Monday-Friday, and 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday. 443-0845.

Search and Rescue: Meets every second and fourth Thursday at the National Guard Armory, 1600 S. Florida Ave. Leroy Lewis, 430-2987 or Dan Josetosky, 437-4613.

St. John's Community Kitchen: Free meals 5-6 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday 437-3891.

ZTrans: Public transportation for \$1. Serves Holloman Air Force Base, Alamogordo, La Luz, Alamogosa, Tularosa and Mescalero. 439-4971.

Zia Thrift Store: Open 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. at 816 E. Ninth St., Monday - Saturday; Proceeds support the programs at Zia Therapy Center for children and adults with developmental disabilities; Donations appreciated; Fridays are Military Discount Day; 437-0144.

Zia Transportation Services: For work, work-related activities, education, training and child-care. Contact Income Support Division caseworker, New Mexico Works caseworker or Zia Therapy Center at 437-4222.

Ongoing Activities

Bingo: 7 p.m. Wed., 12:30 and 3 p.m. Sun., 1 and 7 p.m. Mon. at the Eagles Lodge, 471 24th St. Ages 8 and up welcome with adult. 575-437-1302.

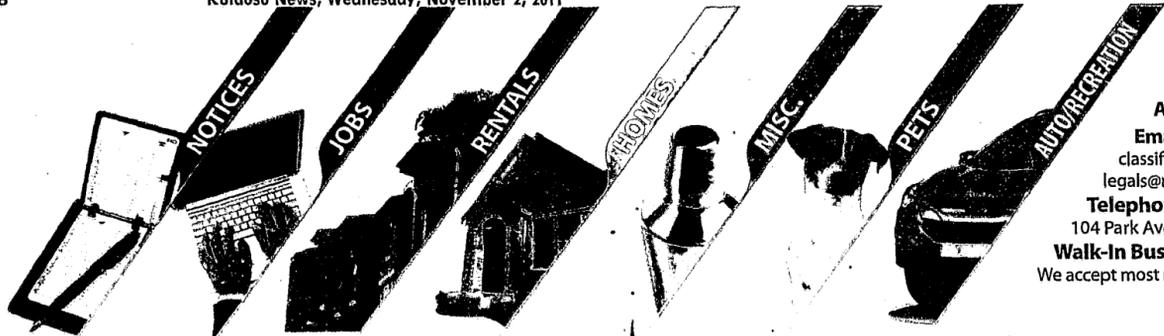
Bingo: 7 p.m. Wed.-Fri. and Sun., 2 p.m. Sat. at the VFW, 700 U.S. 70 West. Ages 16

Advertise: 575.257.4001

Email your ad to: classifieds@ruidosonews.com

Telephone Hours: M-F, 8 a.m.-5:00 p.m. 104 Park Avenue, Ruidoso, NM 88355

Walk-In Business Hours: 8 a.m.-4:45 p.m. We accept most major credit cards.



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advertise call 575.257.4001

Legal Notices 152

#2989 AT (7)20,27 (6),10

STATE OF NEW MEXICO, COUNTY OF LINCOLN, TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Walls Fargo Bank, N.A., as Trustee, for Carrington Mortgage Loan Trust Series 2006-NCS Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates

Plaintiff(s), vs. Defendant(s).

(1) Ron Collier a/k/a Ronald G. Collier

(2) Toni Jean Collier

(3) Unknowns: All Unknown Occupants and/or Tenants of The Subject Real Estate

(4) Unknowns: All Unknown Spouses of Any Party Hereto And All Other Persons Living Or Dead Whose Names Are Unknown, Who Claim Any Interest In The Subject Real Estate

Defendant(s), # CV 11-33

Notice of Special Master's Sale of Real Estate

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT PURSUANT TO COURT ORDER IN THE ABOVE CAPTIONED MATTER, THE SPECIAL MASTER INDICATED BELOW WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER IN LAWFUL MONEY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA THE REAL ESTATE DESCRIBED BELOW.

THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF SAID SALE IS:

Date: Aug. 18, 2011

Place: The front steps of the Lincoln County Courthouse 300 Central Avenue

Time: 9:15 A.M. Carrizozo, NM

Real Estate: Common

Description: 219 Excelsior Road Ruidoso, NM 88345

Legal Description: Lot 19, Block 1 of CAMELOT GREEN ESTATES, UNIT 1, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the plat thereof filed in the Office of the County Clerk and Ex-Officio Recorder of Lincoln County, New Mexico, June 3, 1981, in Cabinet D, Slide No. 15.

Parcel Identification: #0013151

Mobile or Manufactured Home: None Known

Common Description: None Known

Legal Description: None Known

The date of the Court Order is April 6, 2011, pursuant to which an Order of Sale was issued on April 6, 2011. The referenced Court Order entered judgment for Plaintiff for \$277,947.11 plus interest, costs of this action, including all costs of the sale and costs to preserve the Real Estate, including ad valorem property taxes. Additional interest of \$32.87 per day shall accrue to the date of said sale.

Special Master: KLEINWITZ & ASSOCIATES, P.C., Attorneys for Plaintiff: Faisal Sukhvanji, Special Master 2122 Parkwest Drive, NW Albuquerque, NM 87120-3660 505-228-8484

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By PHILIP M. Kleinsmith, 6025 Erin Park Dr., #203 Country Ridge Springs, CO 80918 1-800-842-8417

STATE OF COLORADO, COUNTY OF EL PASO

Acknowledged, subscribed and sworn to before me on the day of _____, 2011, by PHILIP M. Kleinsmith of Colorado Springs, Colorado. My commission expires: _____

NOTARY PUBLIC

THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO LOCATE A DEBT COLLECTOR. INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM THIS SOURCE WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

#9503 AT (10)19,26 (1)12,9

STATE OF NEW MEXICO, COUNTY OF LINCOLN, TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. CV-09-439

BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING LP, fka Countrywide Home Loans Servicing LP, Plaintiff,

vs.

REFUGIO E. DIAZ JR., JANE DOE (true name unknown), TAXATION AND REVENUE DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO, JOHN DOE, and JANE DOE (true names, unknown), tenants, Defendants.

FIRST AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ON November 2, 2011, at 10:00 a.m., the undersigned Special Master by Merger to BAC Home Loans Servicing LP, fka Countrywide Home Loans Servicing LP, Plaintiff, vs. REFUGIO E. DIAZ JR., JANE DOE (true name unknown), TAXATION AND REVENUE DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO, JOHN DOE, and JANE DOE (true names, unknown), tenants, Defendants.

TO: Defendant(s) Louis Padilla, if living, if deceased, the estate of Louis Padilla, deceased, and the unknown heirs, devisees and legatees of Louis Padilla, deceased.

You are hereby notified that the above named Plaintiff has filed a civil action against you in the above entitled Court and cause, the general object thereof being to foreclose a mortgage on property located at 105 E. Fourth Street, in the City of Carrizozo, New Mexico, more partic-

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Plaintiff and/or its assignees has the right to bid such sole and submit its bid, verbally or in writing. The Plaintiff may apply all or any part of its judgment in the purchase price in lieu of cash. The sale may be postponed and rescheduled at the discretion of the Special Master.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that real property and improvements contained herein with hereon and all other liens and unrecorded liens not foreclosed herein, and all recorded and unrecorded special assessments and taxes that may be due, Plaintiff and its attorneys claim full responsibility for, and the purchaser of the property by County Assessor as real or personal property, fixtures of any mobile or manufactured home to the land, deactivation notice on any manufactured home on the property, any environmental contamination on the property, and zoning violations concerning the property, if any.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO, COUNTY OF LINCOLN, TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D1226-CV-2011-00261

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs.

LOUIS PADILLA, if living, if deceased, the estate of LOUIS PADILLA, deceased, and if married, JANE DOE (true name unknown), his spouse, SANDI C. PADILLA, and if married, JOHN DOE (true name unknown), her spouse, and the UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES AND LEGATEES OF LOUIS PADILLA, deceased, Defendants.

TO: Defendant(s) Louis Padilla, if living, if deceased, the estate of Louis Padilla, deceased, and the unknown heirs, devisees and legatees of Louis Padilla, deceased.

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ularly described as:

Lots 9 and 10, Block 49, of THE TOWN OF CAPITAN, Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk of Lincoln County, New Mexico, March 9, 1900. AND

A tract of land adjoining the West side of Block 49, in Addition to the Village of Capitán, New Mexico, described as follows:

Beginning at the Northwest corner of said Block 49; Thence North 89 degrees 18 minutes West along the North boundary of said Block 49 extended West a distance of 14.00 feet; Thence South 89 degrees 18 minutes East a distance of 14.00 feet; Thence North 89 degrees 18 minutes East a distance of 14.00 feet; Thence North 89 degrees 18 minutes East a distance of 150.00 feet to the said place of beginning.

That unless you respond to the Complaint within 30 days of completion of publication of this Notice of Sale, a default judgment will be entered against you.

Name, address, and phone number of Plaintiff: Susan C. Little & Associates, P.A., 4501 Industrial Blvd., Suite 101, Post Office Box 3509, Albuquerque, NM 87170-3509, 505-254-7767.

WITNESS the Honorable KAREN L. PARSONS, District Judge of the Twelfth Judicial District Court of the State of New Mexico, and the Seal of the District Court of Lincoln County, this 13 day of October, 2011.

JAN PERRY

CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

By (SEAL) Deputy

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Approval of Agenda

9:15AM - Discussion and possible action on Resolution 2012-04, Proclamation of Election to fill Board Position #

Board Comments Adjournment.

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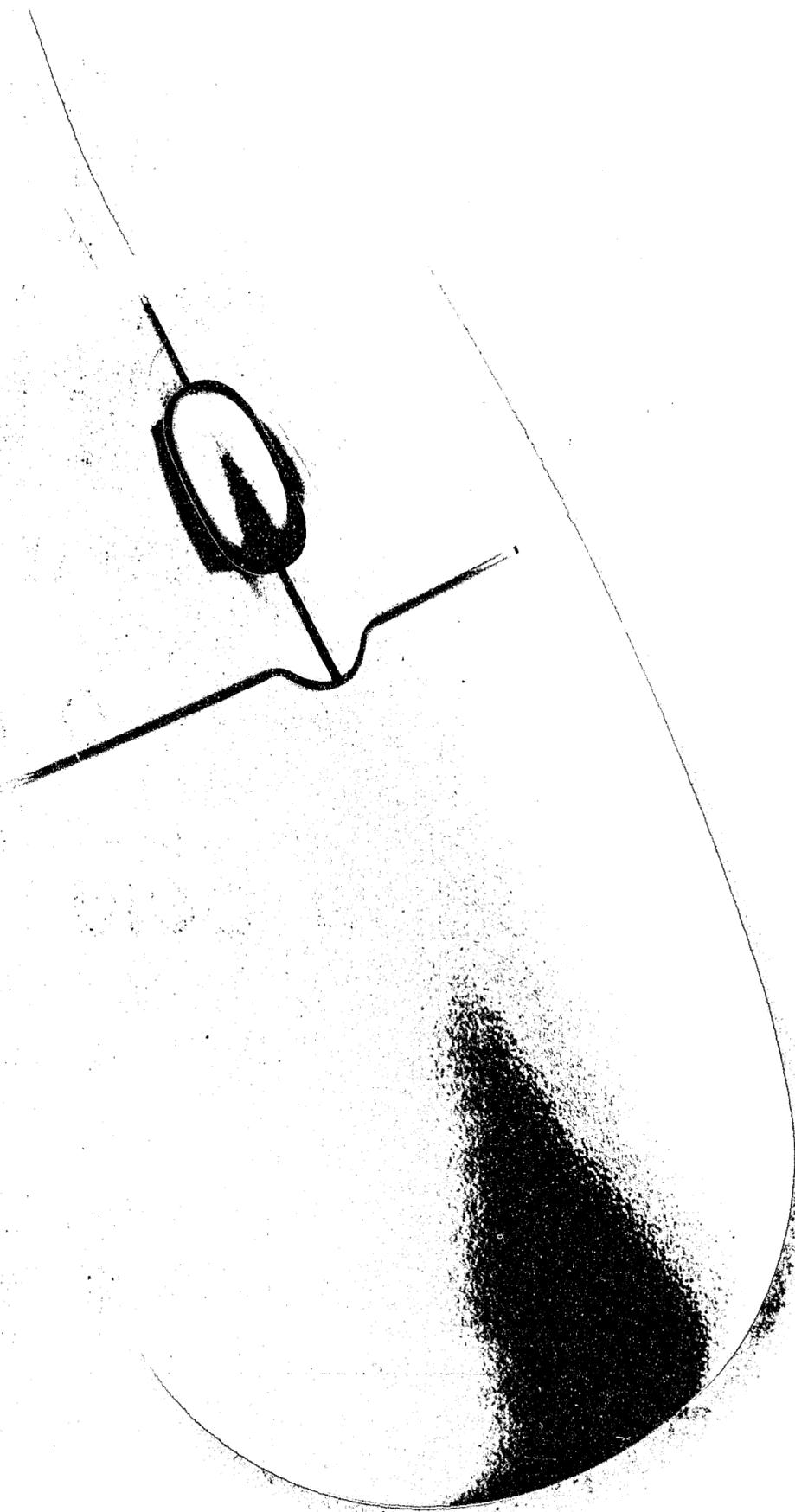
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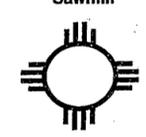
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