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Report: Airport mismanagement costly

Village lost more than \$400,000 in potential fuel sales

Editor's note: An investigation launched into the operation of the Sierra Blanca Regional Airport in 2009 revealed serious deficiencies in supervision, inventory control and accountability in tracking fuel sales, overstaffing and a failure to adjust hangar leases fees. While parts of the report have been discussed in Ruidoso Village Council meetings, only after filing a public information request under the Inspection of Public Records Act was the Ruidoso News able to obtain a copy of the full report. The conclusions and resulting corrective

actions by the village will be reviewed in a three-part series beginning with this article.

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Before two Ruidoso administration officials stepped in to tighten management and correct problems at the municipal airport in 2009, the village experienced an estimated net loss of \$413,752 from 2007 to 2009 in potential fuel sales, according to an official investigation and assessment of Sierra Blanca

Regional Airport.

Joe Magill, currently the Ruidoso police chief but on staff at the police department in 2009, was selected by then Police Chief Wolfgang Born to conduct the potential criminal side of the investigation, which included possible theft. Magill told a reporter for the Ruidoso News that he sent his report to the Federal Bureau of Investigations for possible action.

During a 10-year period, the village's General Fund covered a loss of \$4.1 million at the airport in part because the facility was overstaffed

and previous supervisors failed to properly track fuel sales or to update rates and manage hangar rentals, the official report on the airport assessment states.

The average loss per year was \$373,518, but with debt service added, swelled to \$636,147 per year. Fifty percent of the village's annually collected gross receipts tax was dedicated to covering the airport's debt, according to the report. The debt payment had first claim to the village's gross receipt tax revenue. The bond issue for the airport will be paid off in August

2012, freeing up the annual bond payment of \$262,000.

"Fundamentally, municipal airport operations should be funded through fuel sales and hangar rentals," the report states. Costs should be reduced and cash flow increased to eliminate the burden on the general fund with the aim of the airport becoming a self-supporting enterprise fund.

Operations have improved in the last two years with better financial accountability, inventory

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A VISIT WITH SANTA



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Sitting on Santa's lap. Ileana Rice claps her hands with glee during the Inn of the Mountain Gods' Sunday Christmas tree lighting event. For more photos from the event, see page 9A.

Ruidoso man indicted on drug charges

FBI sweep includes numerous suspects in region

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A Ruidoso resident, whose home was raided by federal agents in August, has been indicted along with 20 others in what the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Western District of Texas called a "Permian Basin hydroponic marijuana distribution operation."

David Luis Pace, 37, was named in a 30-count indictment unsealed on Tuesday. A Midland, Texas, federal grand jury had returned four indictments earlier this month following a nearly year-long investigation conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, along with assistance from the Texas Department of Public Safety, Andrew Police Department (Texas), Roswell Police Department

and Ruidoso Police Department.

Pace was called a hydroponic marijuana supplier of Cody Lyn Timmons of Andrews, Texas. Timmons, 37, is considered the ring-leader of the operation, according to court documents.

Two dozen defendants were arrested Tuesday in all four indictments, including Timmons. Pace was listed as one of those not arrested as of Nov. 29.

At 1:45 p.m. on Aug. 8 a search warrant was executed at Pace's home, located at 102 Timberline Drive. An inventory of items removed from the residence indicated guns, financial records, \$9,000 in cash, a police radio scanner, a "marijuana phone # book," THC testing kits,

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Fort Sill Apache Tribe granted reservation near Las Cruces

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An Oklahoma tribe learned last week it will be granted a reservation just off the interstate between Las Cruces and Deming.

Fort Sill Apache Tribe leaders are optimistic about the news, which they received Tuesday

afternoon, said tribal Chairman Jeff Haozous. The status isn't a prerequisite for establishing gaming at its 30-acre parcel in Akela, but it is meaningful, he said.

"This is more symbolic than anything, but we're hopeful this is a step in the direction of our eventual repatriation," he said. "It's the first time

we've had a reservation since 1877."

The tribe, based in Lawton, Okla., are descendants of bands that once roamed southern New Mexico, southwestern Arizona and northern Mexico.

The approval is from the U.S. Department of

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Chino: Mescalero tribe opposes designation

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The possibility of a Fort Sill Apache casino between Las Cruces and Deming does not sit well with the president of the Mescalero Apache Tribe. A statement read by Mark Chino, before the New Mexico

Legislature's Interim Indian Affairs Committee in August, questioned the authority of the Oklahoma tribe's to obtain reservation status in New Mexico.

Chino said while the Fort Sill Apaches are certainly Indians, they are not New

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Flu clinic today

The New Mexico Department of Health's Lincoln County Public Health Office will hold a flu vaccination clinic at the Ruidoso Senior Center, 501 Sudderth Drive from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. today. While everyone should get a flu vaccine each flu season, it's especially important that people in the following groups get vaccinated, either because they are at high risk of having serious flu-related complications or because they live with or care for people at high risk for developing flu-related complications:

- Pregnant women
- Children younger than five, but especially children younger than two years old
- People age 65 and older
- People of any age with certain chronic medical conditions like asthma, diabetes, and lung or heart disease
- People who live in nursing homes or other long-term care facilities
- People who live with or care for those at high risk for complications from flu, including health care workers and caregivers for babies younger than 6 months

American Indians and Alaskan Natives, who last flu season seemed to be at higher risk of flu complications

People who are morbidly obese.

People can find out more on the Department of Health's website at <http://www.nmhealth.org>.

SNOWY MOUNTAIN



COURTESY DAVID TREMBLAY/FOR THE RUIDOSO NEWS

Coated with new snow Saturday morning, Sierra Blanca Peak and the surrounding Sacramento Mountains create a majestic tribute to winter while leaving roads clear and lower elevations enjoying fall temperatures.

Tree lighting

Ruidoso's annual Christmas tree lighting will take place Thursday evening at Schoolhouse Park.

The lighting of the trees, at 6:17 p.m., will be preceded by a welcome from Santa Claus and other VIPs at 6:15 p.m.

Then, at 6:30 p.m., there will be visits with Santa. Choirs from the Ruidoso

schools will perform while hot chocolate and cookies are served. Sleigh rides provided by Grindstone Stables will be available.

Tickets for door prizes will be available from Santa's Helpers. Winners must be present. The event, sponsored by the Ruidoso Parks and Recreation Department, will conclude with "Silent Night" at 7:30 p.m. Door prizes will be provided

by local merchants.

Enchilada dinner

The Rocks Boxing Club is hosting an enchilada dinner fundraiser at 6:30 p.m. Friday at the Ruidoso Downs First Southern Baptist Church.

For \$7 for adults, \$3 for children under 12, attendees get enchiladas, desert and a drink.

The money raised will be used to fund the Rocks Boxing Club's annual trip to the state tournament where these young, local boxers will compete for a chance to advance to the regional Silver Gloves tournament in California. Two fighters will advance.

Alpine Village

The Alpine Village Water

and Sanitation District will meet at 4 p.m. Dec. 5 in the District's building at 114 Alpine Meadows Trail.

The meeting will cover regular business for the District, such as paying bills and reporting on the operations of the water system. The agenda may contain discussion regarding committees to address the

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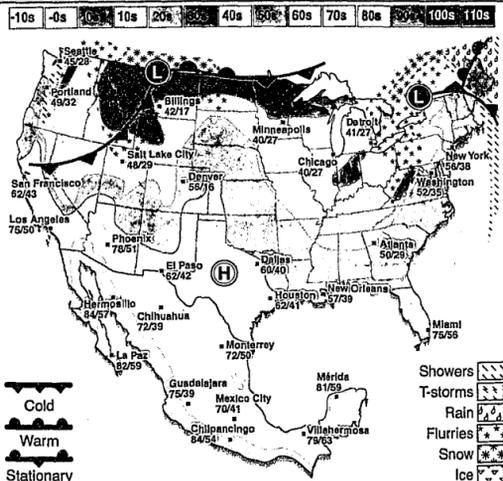
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Humidity 29%	Humidity 67%	Humidity 57%	Humidity 67%	Humidity 51%	Humidity 56%	Humidity 46%
Breezy with a full day of sunshine	Partly sunny, breezy and cooler	Mostly cloudy	Mostly cloudy, a shower possible	Mostly sunny and cold	Bright and sunny, but cold	Rain, mixed with snow early
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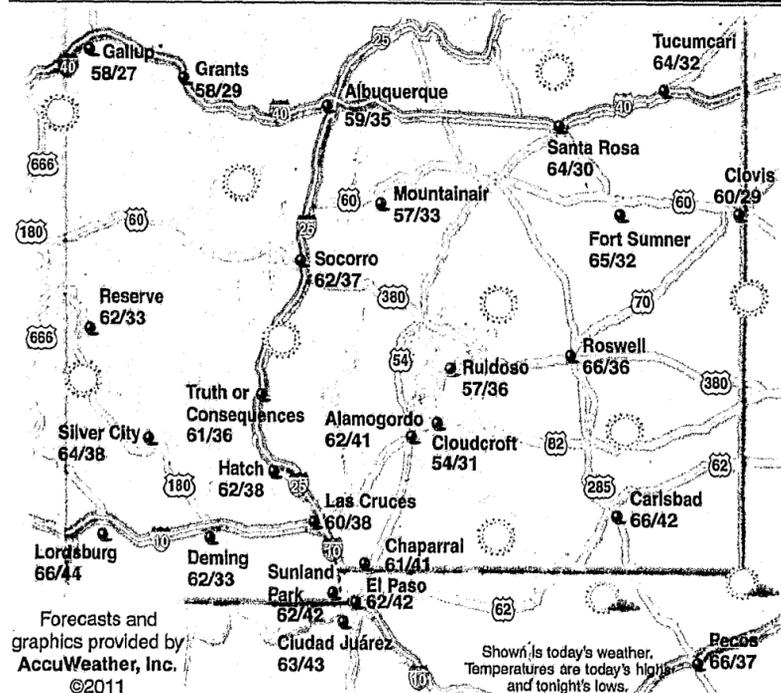
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Shown are noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are highs for the day. Forecast high/low temperatures are for selected cities.

Regional Cities



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Almanac

Ruidoso
Statistics through Monday

Temperature:
 High/low 61°/39°
 Normal high 52°
 Normal low 24°
 Record high 72° (1950)
 Record low -16° (1976)

Precipitation:
 Monday 0.00"
 Month to date 0.13"
 Normal month to date 0.49"
 Year to date 8.50"
 Normal year to date 20.23"

Pollen:
 Grass Absent
 Trees Low
 Weeds Absent
 Mold Low
 Predominant Ascospores

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

Alamogordo
Statistics through Monday

Temperature:
 High/low 62°/23°
 Normal high 60°
 Normal low 24°
 Record high 74° (1954)
 Record low 9° (1976)

Precipitation:
 Monday 0.00"
 Month to date 0.72"
 Normal month to date 0.49"
 Year to date 4.46"
 Normal year to date 9.85"

National Cities

City	Today HI/Lo/W	Thu. HI/Lo/W
Abilene	59/41/s	57/33/pc
Anchorage	33/25/sf	30/23/sf
Atlanta	50/29/s	58/36/s
Austin	60/35/s	67/52/pc
Baltimore	53/34/pc	50/31/s
Boston	59/41/r	51/39/s
Chicago	40/27/pc	43/29/pc
Dallas	60/40/s	63/42/pc
Denver	56/16/s	23/8/sn
Des Moines	46/28/s	41/17/pc
Detroit	41/27/sn	40/29/pc
El Paso	62/42/s	63/35/s
Las Vegas	71/45/s	58/41/c
Los Angeles	75/50/s	76/48/pc
Minneapolis	40/27/pc	30/14/c
New Orleans	57/39/s	62/42/s
New York City	56/38/pc	51/39/s
Philadelphia	56/40/pc	51/39/s
Phoenix	78/51/s	68/48/pc
Reno	49/25/pc	42/21/pc
San Francisco	62/43/s	64/41/s
San Diego	66/53/s	68/47/pc
Seattle	45/28/pc	41/28/pc
Tucson	75/46/s	68/45/pc
Tulsa, OK	56/33/s	55/30/s
Wash., DC	52/35/pc	52/38/s
Wichita	52/30/s	45/22/pc
Yuma	80/53/s	66/47/pc

Regional Cities

City	Today HI/Lo/W	Thu. HI/Lo/W
Albuquerque	59/35/s	43/25/pc
Artesia	66/49/s	64/40/s
Chama	50/24/s	41/15/sn
Clayton	63/26/s	28/11/pc
Cloudcroft	54/31/s	47/9/pc
Farmington	56/29/s	46/24/sn
Hobbs	63/36/s	58/27/s
Los Alamos	53/28/s	43/15/pc
Portales	61/32/s	52/19/pc
Raton	64/23/s	29/8/sf
Red River	48/20/s	37/9/sn
Ruidoso	57/36/s	42/21/pc
Santa Fe	56/27/s	38/18/pc
Silver City	64/38/s	58/29/pc
Taos	53/20/s	36/12/sn

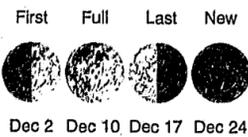
Mexican Cities

City	Today HI/Lo/W	Thu. HI/Lo/W
Acapulco	90/72/c	88/72/s
Cancún	79/57/c	81/59/pc
Chihuahua	72/39/s	77/41/pc
Ciudad Juárez	63/43/s	63/36/s
León	75/39/s	81/43/s
México, DF	70/41/s	75/43/s
Monterrey	72/50/s	79/55/s
Morelia	74/47/s	77/48/s
Oaxaca	73/45/s	64/50/s
Pto. Penasco	81/55/s	66/45/s
Tijuana	66/50/s	70/45/pc

Sun and Moon

Wednesday: Sunrise/Sunset 6:46 a.m./4:56 p.m. Wednesday: Moonrise/Moonset 11:14 a.m./10:45 p.m.

Moon Phases



Extremes

Monday's National High/Low: (For the 48 contiguous states) High: 86° in Woodland Hills, CA Low: 3° in Afton, WY
 Monday's World High/Low: High: 108° in Prats-Gil, Paraguay Low: -61° in Summit Station, Greenland

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EVENTS

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Conservation and a Drought Contingency Plan, Capacity Assessment and revising the Bylaws and Regulations.

All residents of the District are welcome to attend. Agendas are available at least 24 hours prior to meeting time.

Christmas hoedown

Members of the Carrizozo Woman's Club will be hosting their 22nd Annual Christmas Holiday Hoedown Dec. 3, at the clubhouse at 11th and D Avenue in Carrizozo.

The Hoedown will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., with 24 crafters selling everything from handmade jewelry to books and artwork.

Something new this year will be a booth selling special children's clothing from Osh-Kosh. Verla Caster will be selling her hand-painted china ware and there will be a selection of homemade baked goods from local bakers including Fran Mack and Carrie Scott.

Betty Matinez from Jemez will offer antique glassware and collectibles. Many items for sale will come from the Carrizozo Museum, including books about the Southwest and Lincoln County in particular.

From noon until 1:30 p.m., the women of the club will be serving a full-course enchilada dinner, including a beverage and dessert, for \$7.50. Door prizes will be awarded every half hour. No admission fee is charged and there is plenty of free parking.

Club members said the event is the perfect opportunity to do Christmas shopping from a selection of local handicrafts that will make unique and special gifts for everyone on your Christmas list.

The annual event also is a chance to see the interior of the clubhouse, an adobe building constructed in 1929, which was painstakingly restored by the members of the club.

It appears on both the New Mexico and the United States Registers of Historic Buildings.

The interior ceilings feature huge pine vigas and restored wood floors.

The "Round Room" has the only wagon wheel viga ceiling in New Mexico.

Medical meeting

Jennifer Stewart, licensed practical nurse and area manager of Encompass Home Health, will speak about medical services in the home during the Dec. 6 meeting of Huff n Puff, a chronic obstructive pulmonary disease support

NIGHT BOOMS



COURTESY

Sonic booms are a possibility at night over the next week and a half as the 49th Wing at Holloman Air Force Base will conduct F-22 Raptor night training. Most training flights are expected to be completed before 10:30 p.m., air base officials said Monday. The training may produce more noise than normal over the White Sands Missile

Range airspace and near communities in Lincoln, Otero and Dona Ana counties. During the training, the aircraft will conduct air-to-air and air-to-ground training. Residents may experience sonic booms. The F-22s stationed at Holloman are scheduled to be relocated to Florida, but there is no specific timeline for the transfer.

group serving the counties of Lincoln and Otero.

The program runs from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Alamogordo Senior Center.

A pulmonary therapist from Gerald Champion Regional Medical Center will be there, as will local home care representatives.

Family, care givers and guests are welcome. For more information on meetings and schedules, call the Pulmonary Rehabilitation Department at 575-443-2746.

Library programs

December in the Children's Library at the Ruidoso Public Library:

Preschool story time Wednesdays at 10:30 -

Dec. 7, Christmas stories. Craft: Button ornament

Dec. 14, Mountain Country Christmas Brunch. Horse and carriage rides after brunch. Reservations are required by Dec. 8.

Dec. 21, Christmas Movie: Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer (popcorn and juice

box served).

Dec. 28, Movie: Frosty the Snowman (popcorn and juice box served).

Families are invited to make mountain country themed Christmas wreaths. Wreaths will be displayed in the library and everyone wins a prize for participating. Bring in wreaths by Dec. 13, for the library's open house on Dec. 14.

Weekends at fort

The Fort Stanton Museum will be open on

weekends through March 2012.

The museum will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays, and noon to 4 p.m. on Sundays.

There is no fee to visit the museum but donations are appreciated. The museum will not be open on Christmas Day.

Since the museum opened in April 2010, more than 20,000 people have visited the Fort Stanton State Monument. The museum features a display about the history of the fort from its creation in 1855 as a military fortification to the present day.

Coats for Kids

The Ruidoso Optimist Club annual Warm Coats for Kids program is underway, collecting coats to be given to children.

The collection boxes for good, used or new coats are located at most local banks and local businesses, including Evergreen Cleaners. Evergreen Cleaners cleans these coats, at no cost, before they are distributed to the children.

The coats are distributed through Christian Services at Gateway Church, the Lincoln County Food Bank, Mescalero Apache Schools and through First Baptist Church in Capitan.

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OUR OPINION

Fort Sill Apache gaming proposal deserves a look

The stretch of Interstate-10 between Las Cruces and Deming is not what we would call picturesque. But while most zip past the restaurant and smoke shop near Akela and see a lonely building in the middle of nowhere, Jeff

Haozous sees a future homeland for his people. Haozous, formerly Jeff Houser, is chairman of the Fort Sill Apache tribe, which has been battling against both the state and federal governments for the past several years to open a casino on a 30-acre parcel just off the Akela exit of Interstate 10. It has thus far been a losing battle. Electronic bingo machines have been hauled away. Poker games have been shut down. Gov. Bill Richardson even went so far as to threaten to use State Police to block access to the casino.

Now, a restaurant and smoke shop are all that remain at the building. But Haozous has not given up on his dream of returning the Fort Sill Apache, formerly the Chiricahua and Warm Springs Apaches, to the land they once roamed before forced evictions, first to Florida, then to Oklahoma. It remains to be seen if the 685 or so tribal members, about half of whom now live in Oklahoma, share his dream of a new homeland. Or if the federal or state governments will allow that dream to become a reality.

Haozous said along with its

ongoing court battles, the tribe would also seek approval through the federal Interior Department, which recently rejected a proposal by the Jemez Pueblo in northern New Mexico to open a casino in Anthony, N.M. The sovereignty issues that plagued the Jemez proposal would not impact the Akela plan. The federal government already has recognized that southwestern New Mexico and parts of southeastern Arizona are ancestral lands of the Chiricahua Apache tribe, from which the Fort Sill tribe descended. It is awaiting a federal "reservation proclamation" for the Akela parcel.

That would not necessarily open the way to a new casino.

The Fort Sill Apache already has a casino in Oklahoma. But the proclamation would give the tribe something it hasn't had since 1874 — a reservation of its own. New administrations in Washington and Santa Fe are taking a new look at the proposal. The federal government's original determination to deny gaming would seem to ignore the tribe's history.

We haven't always agreed with the tribe in the past, when it held poker and bingo games in clear defiance of state and federal rulings. But since then, the tribe has been working through the process. We are hopeful that new administrations will take a fresh look at this proposal and see the merit in it.

OUR RIGHT TO KNOW

The First Amendment

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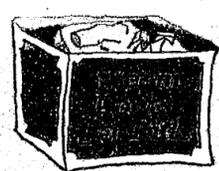
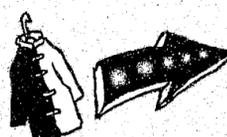
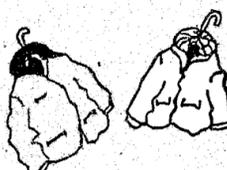
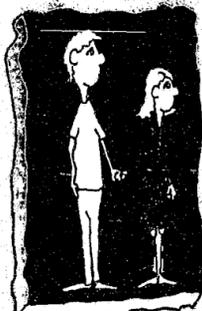
Open Meetings

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All meetings of any public body except the legislature and the courts shall be public meetings, and all persons so desiring shall be permitted to attend and listen to the deliberations and proceedings ...

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Can't decide what gift to give...



Doug McLead 2011
Ruidoso News

YOUR OPINION

A call to come together in Carrizozo

To the editor:

As vice chairperson of the Carrizozo Alumni Association, we congratulate our Carrizozo boys and girls Grizzly teams on their victorious seasons of football and volleyball. We are very proud of each of you and wish you success in your up-coming basketball season. We applaud you for closing your eyes and ears to the emotional turmoil that has been imposed upon you from all the negative and criticism from certain adults toward your school and teachers. The coaches as well are to be congratulated. You sheltered your teams in the face of the storm. Amazing, some young people have more wisdom than most of us adults.

I am wondering if parents take a little responsibility for the actions and behavior of their children. For instance, do you as parents follow thru with homework and are you concerned enough to work with your child in this field? Or, do you feel that it is the complete responsibility of the school? Also, do you take notice in a change in your child's behavior, such as drug or alcohol problems? Without discipline and accountability, destruction follows for all of us, and look out for a hard fall. IT HURTS (been there and done that).

We live in a troubled world today. How can we so intentionally inflict and with so much satisfaction be so purposely vindictive?

We all have priorities and a free will, and how we utilize this privilege is up to us.

We are all accountable for our actions, words and deeds. What type of accountability are we displaying for our young

people?

To the person or persons that are loving and kind, find a life of righteousness, peace of mind, joy, and happiness, not to mention the many other blessings attached. Kindness is so cheap. Doesn't cost us a thin dime, yet we cannot give it away. Good character is one of our richest jewels. Where do we stand? Obedience is freedom. Disobedience is bondage. Those that plot evil shall wander away and be lost.

There is an old saying that goes something like this — Do unto others the way you would have them do unto you. Do evil unto others and the same can return unto you and your children, and your children's children. OUCH — that hurts. Scary thought, huh?

Regardless of what is going on peripherally, even chaotic or painful events, nothing can rob us of the wonder of this time, except our own unwillingness or inability to appreciate it.

We of the older generation have seen many successful people that have graduated from CHS from 19— thru 2010, and others to follow suit. We even have graduates who have served the school system in many capacities, including family members. Great people and we thank you.

We also thank all of the teachers and complete staff for continuing onward with your responsibilities and concern for your students. We, the majority of the people, support you and are proud of each one of you.

It is time a healing come forth for our school and community. And we, the people, be responsible for our behavior.

Lets unite together in peace and harmony and with love in our hearts and look forward to a beautiful new holiday season and year ahead of us.

Margo Lindsay
Carrizozo

Santa's Helpers

To the editor:

Since an article in the Ruidoso News was printed on Wednesday, November 23, 2011 titled as "Santa's Helpers, Toys for Tots continue to help those in need" had some statements that were not quite right, I feel like I have no other choice but to try to correct it.

I was quoted saying that "both Santa's Helpers and Toys for Tots work hard to help children get food, clothes, school supplies, and toys." The truth is Santa's Helpers and all of its volunteers work hard to supply children in Lincoln County with food, clothing, school supplies and toys. However the "Toys for Tots" organization does help Santa's Helpers with a good portion of the toys that are needed above what the annual "Joy for Kids Toy Run" put on by Santa's Helpers and local bikers and friends earn.

We do appreciate the Toys for Tots organization very much for helping us with the rest of the toys needed to fill the wishes of about 1000 children in Lincoln County. They play a very small part in the rest of what Santa's Helpers does and they are not part of the "Joy for Kids Toy Run." The local bikers and friends work very hard to go out and collect over 150 prizes from

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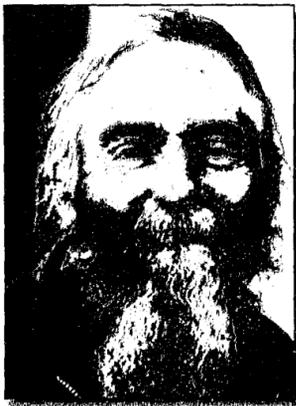
THE STREETER, BY ERIK BEARER

Q: How will the economy impact your Christmas shopping this year?



Lance Winebrenner
Ruidoso

"I'm spending a lot more time shopping online this year to save on fuel costs."



Michael Robinson
Capitan

"It won't impact me at all — I still don't buy gifts on deadlines. I get them when I find one."



Barbara Perine
Capitan

"Drastically. The price they're charging is not equitable to what you're receiving."



Robert Wright
Ruidoso

"I don't know how much shopping I can do on a fixed income. I'll definitely be watching what I buy."



Melody Farris
Ruidoso

"Extremely. My work hours have been cut, and there's really no spare jobs to be had."

THEIR OPINION

Give Congress a time out

Maybe you weren't amused by all the snarky comments about candidate Rick Perry's memory lapse. Anybody over a certain age has experienced those mental misfires. We can usually laugh them off unless we happen to be on national television as a candidate for president.

Focus instead on what the man intended to say. To cut the deficit, Perry would eliminate the Education Department, the Commerce Department, and the Energy Department. The Energy Department? Ack!

The DOE may not be a model of bureaucratic efficiency, but in fiscal 2010, the department spent \$4.1 billion in New Mexico, more than it spent in any other state. Perry might as well have said, No, Virginia, there is no Santa Claus.

Perry's simple proposal ignores some vital functions and leads to the usual, tired platitudes about cutting fat. Sherman McCorkle, in an interview with New Mexico Business Weekly, put it best: "My concern is that if you get an immediate cut, you get some immediate gratification, but also some long-term harm." The context of his remark was nuclear weapons work, but the observation has broad applications.

Rash funding cuts will eliminate jobs and contracts and waste with one grand flush.

Recently the super committee waded a white flag and retreated. The committee didn't lack for nonpartisan plans. One was from the nonpartisan Comeback America Initiative, led by David M. Walker, a former comptroller general. (www.tcii.org). Sen.



SHERRY ROBINSON
ALL SHE WROTE

Alan Simpson and Erskine Bowles, Clinton's former chief of staff, also offered a plan. And I've written previously about the plan developed by former Sen. Pete Domenici and Alice Rivlin, former director of the Congressional Budget Office.

Early this month, Domenici and Rivlin, who co-chair the Bipartisan Policy Center's Debt Reduction Task Force, spoke to the super committee. Domenici, as usual, put his finger on the problem and warned committee members in blunt language not to sandbag the process with partisan, ideological disputes.

"Both sides - those who are against any fundamental health entitlement reform and those who oppose any revenue increases - will be equally complicit in bringing this nation closer to the fiscal brink," he said.

In the darkness is a tiny light. Members of both parties have demonized each other so long that they no longer socialize, but a few freshmen of both parties left the traveled road.

Over lunch they found they had some common goals. Their breakthrough lunch became weekly breakfasts for dis-

cussion and brainstorming, and they've introduced three bills.

Most of us know that if you break bread with somebody, differences tend to shrink. Maybe what Congress needs is a time out, like what you give misbehaving children, followed by milk and cookies that Rs and Ds must consume together. We might see more of the bipartisan solutions we all want.

Washington doesn't have all the answers. The AARP Bulletin says individuals have a role in reducing the deficit and suggested five steps:

- Cut 150 calories a day from your diet. This could reduce health-care costs of diabetes (\$174 billion a year, 60 percent of it paid by the government.)

- Pay your debts. The fastest-growing item in the federal budget is the interest paid on \$14 trillion in national debt; individual borrowing pressures interest rates upward.

- Walk a mile a day or do something else to burn calories and strengthen your heart.

- Cardiovascular disease will cost more than \$1 trillion by 2030; Medicare will pay more than half.

- Plan to work an extra year or two. This helps the Social Security trust fund and adds to your retirement nest egg.

- Donate to Uncle Sam. Don't laugh. Taxpayers' gifts to the U.S. Treasury this year total \$2.4 million.

Bulletin Editor Jim Toedtman writes that "this isn't just Washington's problem. It requires common sense and forceful action. Citizens can lead the way."

The role of community newspapers

Professionally I grew up with newspapers, though not the dominant daily in the large market. ("Large" markets for me mean Oklahoma City and Albuquerque.)

I only worked for the big guy once, a brief stint with the Daily Oklahoman. My experience started with the old Albuquerque News, a weekly shopper with real editorial content. For the publishing company I started as janitor and served in production, sales and administration.

My affection goes to community newspapers, which is fortunate since community newspapers print this column. Fellow columnist Sherry Robinson and I believe that community papers have a valuable role doing things too small scale to interest the big papers.

Community newspapers serve small communities, not big cities. A report in the May-June issue of the Columbia Journalism Review

(www.cjr.org/magazine) is good to read. Community papers are buying others now that prices have dropped.

"In small towns, papers have loyal audiences and less competition among advertisers," the CJR report said. "The demographics are right, which basically means the residents are old—less interested in getting news from Gawker and more interested in getting it off the front porch. That's partly why last year more than three-quarters of the newspapers that found buyers had circulations of less than ten thousand. Those types of papers are making money—even now."

Fear of information overload has been around almost the entire 500 years



HAROLD MORGAN
NEW MEXICO PROGRESS

since Gutenberg invented moveable type. Evolving technologies periodically pose huge challenges. The telegraph was incredibly disruptive, points out James Gleick in his wonderful book, *The Information* (Pantheon Books, 2011). Today's huge challenge is the Internet.

Extracting meaning from the information overload is the much bigger issue, Gleick says. Coping strategies "boil down to two: filter and search."

In communities, newspaper editors bear much of the filter-and-search burden—sorting police reports, land-use issues, school-board actions, and all the rest. No one else can comprehensively attack the task.

Starting a publication resembles starting a restaurant—an entrepreneurial fantasy that few think through and fewer still bring enough capital.

My entrepreneurial track record is mixed at best. The New Mexico Business Journal was around for about 30 years after the initial team, which included me, lost it through financial ineptness. Decades later Capitol Report New Mexico had two short runs as a print entity, both hampered by a

flawed business model and no money.

When publications end, it hurts. But things change. Earlier this year El Hispano, a Spanish-language weekly tabloid that I never found useful, closed after 40 years.

The New Mexico Free Press, a weekly tabloid, did "good news" in Santa Fe for a while in the late 2000s. The good news model is based on the wrong notion that people will pay for warm fuzzies.

An Internet publication, the New Mexico Independent, folded in mid-November. Part of a non-profit chain financed by liberal do-gooders, it appeared with hoopla in early 2008 and comforted liberals. My guess is that the money ran out. The website's closure statement said, "This is part of a shift in strategy, towards new forms of journalism..." Sure.

The Roswell-based 575.com, also an Internet publication, called an experiment by founder Jack Swickard, ended due to operational and financial constraints, Swickard said.

Value exists in smaller publications. The Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis reviewed the effect of the closing of the Cincinnati Post, at 27,000 circulation large for New Mexico but small nationally. The Fed said the Post's absence "appears to have made local elections less competitive along several dimensions."

I believe there will always be a profitable role for publications serving communities in the "other New Mexico" outside the north-central urban area of Albuquerque and Santa Fe.

LETTERS

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this community that continues to give. We use the prizes to give away at the event through our silent auction and raffle. They also collect money donations. This event could not take place and be as successful as it is if this small group of about a 20 volunteers did not put the time and effort that they do. I have been an organizer of it since its beginning in 2000. There are a handful that have been involved in it since the beginning as well. De De Bentley, Angel Gonzales, Gary and Blanca Goff and Rita Griffin are among the few that have been consis-

tently involved in the toy run since it started 12 years ago. I have complete admiration and appreciation for all of them and those who have joined us over the years in this effort. I also want to, thank this very giving and understanding community.

Most of last week's article was correct and great. I just felt the need to clarify a couple of things. Santa's Helpers is an all-volunteer and donations program. We do want to remind everyone that Santa's Helpers has a new location at the First Christian Church located at 1211 Hull Road, it opened on Nov. 28. Our hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Our phone is 575-258-2446. We invite

the community to come to the workshop to make donations or to help us put the family boxes together. We love to see them come through the door ready to work hard on such a good program. Also, those who want to apply for help can do so at the workshop and the deadline to have all applications back to Santa's Helpers is on Dec. 9.

Tammy Mattingly
Santa's Helpers

Illegal immigration

To the editor:
If one wants to know the true affects of how illegal immigration will adversely affect a nation, go ask the American Indians!

Terry McMaster
Alto

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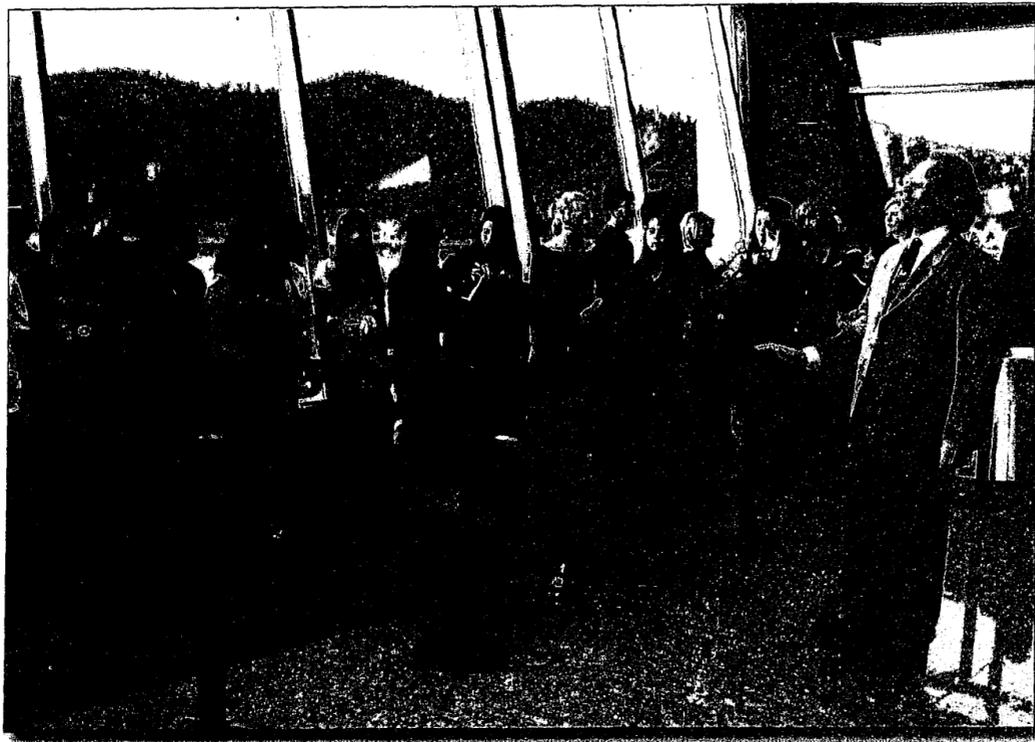


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EDUCATION

THE HIGH NOTE



Jeffrey Owens, right, leads the Ruidoso Middle School choir in song on Sunday at the Inn of the Mountain Gods' Christmas tree lighting.

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Rising fuel costs raise contract price

School district, state increase bus contract payment

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Last year's run-up in gasoline and diesel prices will be eased some for the company that provides busing services to the Ruidoso Municipal School District.

The district will pay Lincoln Transportation an additional \$13,387 this school year to offset the rising costs, raising the contract amount to \$767,298.

The state will cover the additional price of the fuel, said Dorothy Irion, the district's finance director.

Irion said the contract adjustment was, "to increase the contract to Lincoln Transportation for a fuel supplement award from the state department (Public Education Department) to offset the high cost of fuel

that Lincoln Transportation experienced during last year.

"Although fuel costs have decreased in the past few months, the price of fuel during fiscal year (20)11 was high so we applied for a fuel supplement upon notification from the state department that funds were available for application.

"We were notified towards the end of June, after the deadline for budget adjustments had already passed. The state department notified us that we would be allowed to budget for it this fiscal year and so the intent of the extra funds was to flow through us to the contractor."

The contract with Lincoln Transportation began on Aug. 15 and will continue through May 25, 2012. The company is paid monthly.

School buses in the Ruidoso Municipal School District traveled 261,000 miles during the 2011-2011 school year, according to information provided by the district.

21 buses were used to transport students.

1 special needs bus with wheelchair lifts.

1,800-plus students were transported daily during the school year.

The new contract is for \$767,298.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Ruidoso Downs, in Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico, wishes to inform all interested parties that 2012 CDBG public hearings will be held:

November 28, 2011	City Hall Council Chambers	4:30 p.m.	123 Downs Dr. Ruidoso Downs, NM
December 12, 2011	City Hall Council Chambers	4:30 p.m.	123 Downs Dr. Ruidoso Downs, NM
December 19, 2011	City Hall Council Chambers	4:30 p.m.	123 Downs Dr. Ruidoso Downs, NM

The purpose of these public hearings will be to report on past CDBG program activities and to receive public input on Community development needs and suggestions for future CDBG projects.

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program was established under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, in order to assist communities in providing essential community facilities, providing decent housing for residents, promoting economic development and maintaining a suitable living environment. The State of New Mexico estimates the 2012 appropriation of \$14,000,000 to be distributed statewide on a competitive basis.

State and national objectives of the CDBG Program require that assistance be made available for activities that address at least one of the following:

- 1) An activity identified as principally benefiting persons of low and moderate income;
- 2) Aid in the prevention and elimination of slums and blight;
- 3) Meet other community development needs of recent origin having a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health and welfare of the community where other financial resources are not available to meet such needs.

Applications are limited to a maximum of \$500,000, except for planning applications, which have a limit of \$50,000.

Eligible activities and categories will be described. All interested parties are invited to attend, to submit project ideas, to provide supporting data and testimony, and other pertinent information.

With sufficient notice, a translator will be provided for non-English speaking residents.

Those unable to attend the public hearings may send written comments to:

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Bank teaches students about finance

Volunteers visit schools across New Mexico

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As part of last month's Get Smart About Credit Month, Compass Bank employee volunteers educated high school students from across the bank's seven state footprint on the fundamentals of financial responsibility and how to successfully manage credit.

The employee volunteers taught 150 financial education classes, reaching more than 5,000 high school juniors and seniors.

"As a financial institution whose vision is to work for a better future for people, we strongly believe in

"As a financial institution whose vision is to work for a better future for people, we strongly believe in teaching young adults how to manage their finances at an early age."

Rey Ocanas
Director of Corporate Responsibility

teaching young adults how to manage their finances at an early age," said Rey Ocanas, director of Corporate Responsibility and Reputation for BBVA Compass.

The bank employee volunteers

taught students not only how to manage a credit card, but also the importance of good credit and how to read a credit report.

They also emphasized how to protect personal financial information and recognize the signs of overspending, as well as the benefits of budgeting now to avoid credit problems later.

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Ownership issues hold up Hondo Clinic funds

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The issue of land ownership must be cleared up before Lincoln County commissioners consider applying for a Community Development Block Grant to build a new health clinic in Hondo.

Dora Bastista, with the Southeast New Mexico Development District/Council of Governments, told commissioners at their meeting earlier this month she checked with state officials and the consensus was that the county must own the land to receive grant money to build. Commissioner Jackie Powell replied that commissioners are aware of the problem, but may be able to resolve it for a future application or could seek infrastructure capital project funding from the state Legislature.

The complication arises because the Hondo Valley School District owns the

land. The county donated the building to the school district, which leases it back to the county to be subleased to La Casa de Buena Salud.

In October, Seferino Montano, CEO of La Casa, asked commissioners to help fund a replacement for the old clinic located on the school district campus off U.S. 70. The maximum application would be for \$500,000, requiring a 10 percent local match that also could be in-kind, a land donation or legislative appropriation, he said.

Current clinic

The current clinic building was opened about 10 years ago after it was moved from another community in the county.

"It needs to be replaced," Montano said last month. "And I think the residents of the Hondo Valley deserve a better facility." The clinic covers about 900 square feet and Montano would like to see it expand-

ed to 1,400 square feet.

"A memorandum of understanding will not work," Batista said during the public hearing this month to select a new CDBG project for 2012. "They must deed over the land."

Background

Offering background on the grant program, Batista said the CDBG is one of the last free grants and a major type of funding in New Mexico and the United States. The program was established in 1974 by the Housing and Community Development Act. A project must meet one of three objectives. It must either benefit low- to moderate-income residents, must prevent slum or blight or must satisfy an urgent threat or need.

Using 2010 census data, Lincoln County's population includes 39.8 percent of low- to moderate-income residents, not the required 50 percent.

"So the county has to

select a certain slice of beneficiaries with more than 50 percent low to moderate income," Batista said.

Limited clientele

A clause called limited clientele covers groups that automatically qualify, such as senior citizens, the homeless, the severely disabled, the illiterate and auto immune deficiency victims, she said. Migrant farm workers also are considered 100 percent low to moderate income. "So you could pick a project under those and immediately qualify," she said.

Slum and blight provisions are mostly confined to larger cities with health risks, but blight could include dilapidated buildings if 40 percent of the buildings are considered dilapidated within a selected area, such as a four-square block cluster, she said.

The urgent need category includes water contamination and sewer system

failures, but a state agency must certify the emergency.

For most of the programs, a city or county applies once a year, in this case the date would be by Jan. 16, 2012. A few of the programs can be accessed any time during the year, such as housing, Batista said.

Funding

The New Mexico Community Development Council selects the grants to be funded. The money comes from the U.S. Housing and Urban Development Department to the state Department of Finance and Administration, and then is divvied up on a competitive basis by the council, she said. The applications are graded on need, readiness, whether the entity's comprehensive plan is up to date and on how many people benefit. Smaller entities do not compete with New Mexico's big cities, such as

Albuquerque and Las Cruces, which have a separate automatic avenue of funding.

Many of the grants are used for infrastructure, such as water and sewer, curbs and gutter.

Other categories include housing rehabilitation with a \$65,000 limit per home, historic preservation, code enforcement and public service capital outlay such as the new Capitan Senior Center, Batista said.

The program will pay \$50,000 for planning studies for documents, such as a 40-year water plan, aerial photography, codification of ordinances, development of comprehensive plans and preliminary engineering plans, Batista said.

Commissioners did not select a new CDBG project. They did close out the Lincoln County public health building construction project in Capitan, the latest county CDBG project. The deadline to close was Dec. 16.

Holiday schedule brings objection from resident

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A routine resolution, establishing an official holiday calendar for the city of Ruidoso Downs brought an objection from a city resident. Pam Williams said there will be a dozen paid days off of work next year for city employees.

"I don't know why you all bother with these resolutions and the garbage

anyway because like the officials holidays, there's like 12 holidays," Williams told the city council Monday during the public input portion of the meeting. "For the normal working-class people, they get like five if they're lucky. And then we end up having an extra half a day the day before the holiday starts. So you add that up and it ends up being like 18."

Williams said the holi-

day schedule takes advantage of residents.

"You just do as you please and it doesn't matter what. Everybody agrees to it. I just don't think it's right because everybody's got so much extra as it is. I mean, the city employees get a \$25 clothing allowance and everything else. And then you give them an extra half a day. Well, that's taking advantage of us."

The schedule of non-vacation days off for Ruidoso Downs' employees next year will be 13, when adding on one floating "personal holiday" that can be taken at the discretion of the employee.

Officials city holidays are New Year's Day, the birthday of Martin Luther King Jr., Presidents' Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veterans

Day, Thanksgiving Day and the following day, and Christmas Day as well as the adjoining day.

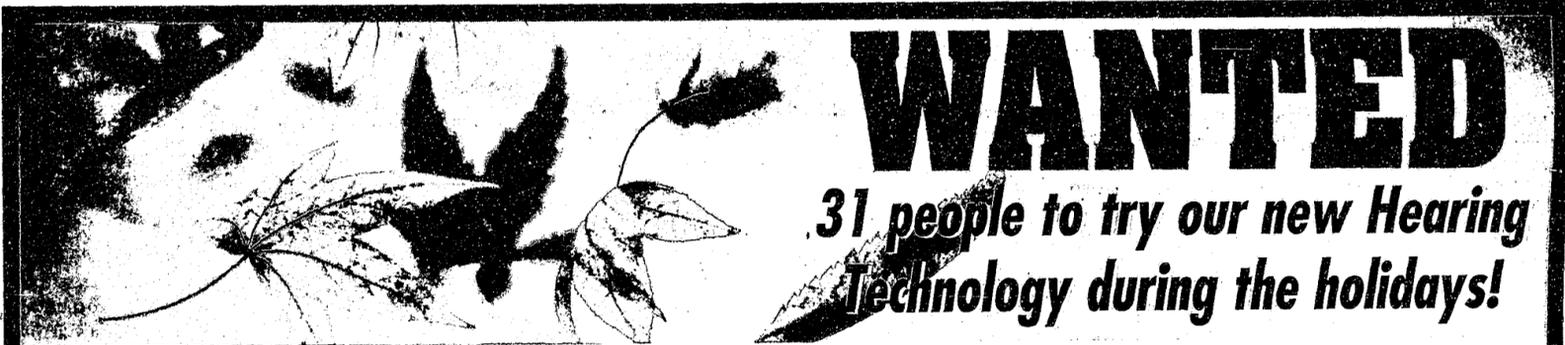
The schedule almost is no different than two other local governments.

The total number of Ruidoso Downs holidays during 2012 is the same number as Lincoln County where employees also receive 13 days off. While there is no personal holiday for the county, Good Friday

is observed as a holiday.

For the village of Ruidoso, there are 12 employee holidays. The paid days off are essentially the same as Ruidoso Downs with the exception of the floating personal day.

Village Clerk Irma Devine said a couple of years ago the village adjusted its holiday schedule, adding several days and dropping personal



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REPORT

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tracking, employee supervision and managerial control. Three positions were deleted at the airport after the report indicated Sierra Blanca Regional was significantly overstaffed.

"SBRA has the largest staff in the state for a similarly-sized airport," the report reveals. "Approximately 50 percent overstaffed, the only airport with a larger staff would be Albuquerque Sunport."

The Ruidoso News obtained a copy of the final report and some of the corrective actions taken by the village through a state inspection of Public Records Act request. The newspaper also secured a copy of an earlier draft report from another source.

To date, no direct disciplinary action or criminal prosecution has occurred, according to a former employee close to the investigation. A contract with a consultant, who was supposed to be overseeing the airport and pursuing grants, was not renewed.

In August of this year, the village hired Sean Parker as the new airport manager, but in November he was moved to the deputy village manager's post and David Pearce took his place. But in April 2009, Special Projects Director Justin King, later also interim airport manager, and utilities director then with the title of public works director, Randall Camp,

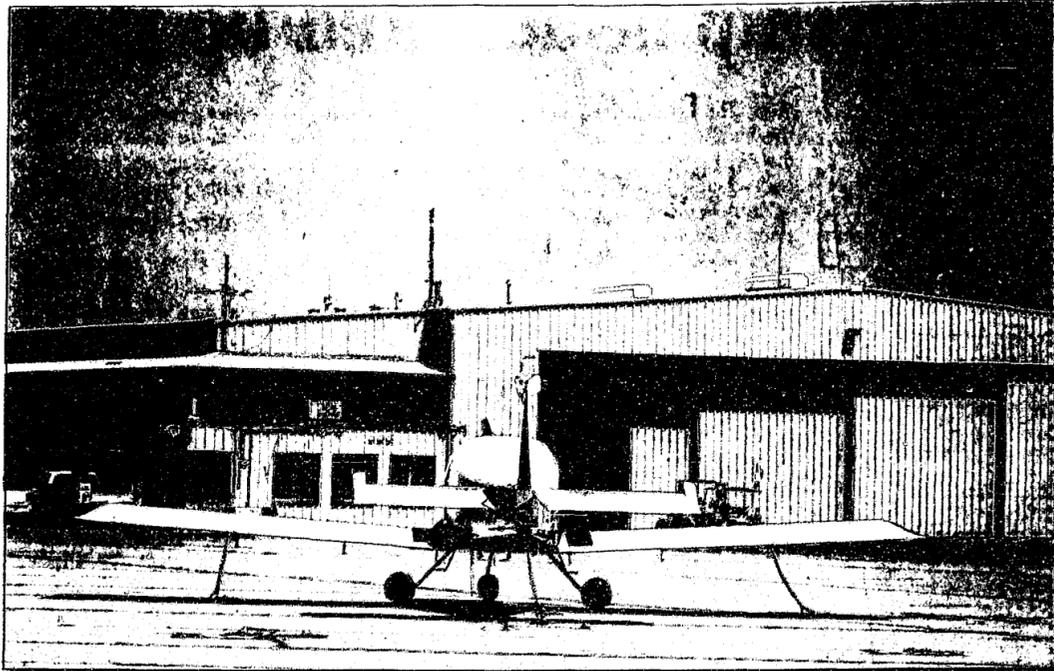
were assigned by former interim village manager Barbara Fleming the role of investigating the operation at Sierra Blanca Regional Airport and with recommending steps to correct deficiencies.

About a month later, they submitted a report that rocked the former mayor and a brand new village manager, Debi Lee, who was selected as manager in June 2009, but wasn't on the job full time until July. One of her first letters was directed to the consultant on contract to oversee the airport's operation, asking for more details to justify May and June invoices sent to the village for payment. Mayor Ray Alborn didn't come on board until after his election in March 2010.

Fuel sales

In their report, Camp and King noted that they were assigned to review the airport in April 2009 and that employees there were under limited supervision after the departure (in October 2006 after about 17 months) of Tom Wylam, former airport director. Tim Morris, who previously served as airport manager from 1995 until his retirement, was selected as a contractual service to oversee the airport from January 2005 to November 2005, and again from October 2006 to 2009.

His contract was canceled and airport operations were transferred to the Public Works Department on April 21, 2009, for "the purposes of management and evaluation



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A recent report regarding the Sierra Blanca Airport revealed various forms of mismanagement that cost the village of Ruidoso hundreds of thousands of dollars.

of opportunities to develop a fiscally sound and sustainable airport operation," according to the assessment report.

Under the direction of public works, the airport showed almost immediate improvement. The first step was to stop the fiscal bleeding.

In 2007, the airport began offering contract fuel sales, a program through the fuel supplier AVFUEL.

"Although the decision seemed to be a good one by catering to some of the local customer base and some of the transient base, it was never completely followed through," the draft report

stated. "(The airport) realized a significant loss in revenue due to this decision. The change took place in 2007, and was removed June 1, 2009."

The calculated net loss in fuel sales during that period was \$413,752.

The program allowed jet fuel customers to purchase fuel directly from AVFUEL with the company establishing the price of fuel. AVFUEL then reimbursed the village a percentage of the sale as credits on fuel invoices.

The practice reduced the village gross receipts taxes and the price was about 20 percent less than what the village would have charged

for the fuel.

The village also was not compensated for the labor of fueling the planes.

The village discontinued the contract and the assessment report estimated the airport saw \$206,876 in lost profit.

The investigation also unearthed evidence of possible theft of automotive fuel by an employee who eventually resigned, according to the assessment report.

To eliminate such opportunities, the investigators recommended a fuel card/credit card system be used for the operation of a fuel dispensing station and that sales be

open to the public.

Funding of \$200,000 was to be sought from the Federal Aviation Administration, according to the report.

Installation of a self-serve fuel island for 100LL type fuel would allow customers to fuel their own aircraft and save staff man-hours.

A fuel inventory was conducted and accounting controls implemented to ensure tighter tracking of purchases and sales.

The next installment deals with the mismanagement of hangars and with staff problems at the airport in 2009, along with corrective actions by the village.

LOCAL

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bags with either a green leafy residue or a white powdery substance, and other items were seized.

A neighbor who observed some of the Aug. 8 activity by

FBI and other law enforcement personnel in the Pace neighborhood said officers got out of a heavily armored vehicle.

"They were all in camouflage uniforms like you see in the movies or on TV, armored vests and helmets and shields and stuff," the neighbor said. "They didn't

make any noise at all."

The law enforcement contingent was estimated at about 18 members.

All but one of the 20 people named in the larger indictment were from western Texas. One of the other three indictments included a person from Sacramento, Calif.

"Today's arrests demonstrate the FBI's commitment to the citizens of Midland, Ector and Andrews counties, that we will vigorously investigate allegations of drug trafficking in this area," FBI Special Agent in Charge Mark Morgan said. "Through the professionalism, dedication and cooperative efforts of local, state and

other federal agencies, we worked together to bring this investigation to a successful conclusion."

While the investigation into Timmons started in January, Pace was identified in May as a possible supplier of hydroponic marijuana believed to be grown in California.

It was June 26 that Timmons supposedly made a call from his wiretapped cellular phone to Pace. Timmons and Pace were making arrangements for Timmons to meet with Pace, according to court documents seeking the search warrant. Timmons allegedly told Pace that he would send

another man to purchase 10 pounds of marijuana for \$33,250. Additional money was to be deposited in Pace's account at a Ruidoso bank. On July 8, investigators said Timmons again called Pace stating that he needed additional marijuana. Pace told Timmons that his house had been recently been burglarized but only his marijuana was taken. Pace told Timmons that his "buddy," who lived in the same area, had the key to a house where he was keeping his marijuana supplies. Two days later, with surveillance in place, Pace and another man identified in the indictment as Joshua James Montoya, 26, of Andrews, Texas, met in a parking lot of a Ruidoso fast-food restaurant and appeared to make an exchange. An estimated 10 to 15 pounds of hydroponic marijuana was believed delivered to Montoya.

On July 21, Pace was stopped by a New Mexico State Police officer on Interstate 40 east of Albuquerque. A subsequent K-9 unit search around

Pace's vehicle indicated numerous positive alerts by the drug-sniffing dog. Two duffel bags, containing 39 pounds of a green leafy substance believed to be marijuana were found. Pace was arrested on state charges of marijuana possession and later bonded out. The felony charge was dropped on Sept. 15, according to the Bernalillo County Metropolitan Court's case management website.

In the federal case, Pace is charged with two counts of possession of marijuana with the intent to distribute the drug. He also is charged with a financial transaction at a Ruidoso bank involving funds from an unlawful activity.

The indictment seeks a money judgment equal to \$400,000, which prosecutors contend represents the amount of money involved in the alleged drug transactions between Timmons, Pace, Montoya and two others. Pace's Timberline Drive property and his pickup truck also are being sought for forfeiture.

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Lighting the Christmas tree at the Inn of the Mountain Gods



Above, Roxanne and Jimmy Wagner came from Corrales to enjoy the festivities at the Inn of the Mountain Gods.

Left, Ryan Ward, visiting with his parents from Las Cruces, takes a long look at Santa on Sunday.

photos by
Erik Bearer

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Deedee, left, and Juliann Lamb, Miss Teen Albuquerque, stand in front of one of the Inn's many Christmas decorations.



Above, Deandre Glossop and Zoya Valdez explore the potential of dipping cookies in hot chocolate.

Below, Miley Cojo and her granddaughter, Myra LaPaz, enjoy the sounds of the Ruidoso High School choir from their perch and the stairs.



Children frolic down the stairs, led by Malorie Shields, bottom, left, and Kirsten Smith, bottom, right. Tristan Cantero, center, and his sister Ashley, left, bring up the rear.



Dog donations sent to food supplier

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Donations for the care of 44 dogs confiscated by the Capitan Police Department are now being directed to a dog food supplier.

Donations for food can be made at the Lincoln County Mercantile in Capitan.

The Mercantile will put the money on an account to pay for the special food these dogs require.

Officers seized the Belgian Malinois' from a

breeder outside Capitan Nov. 18 based on a search and seizure warrant.

"We are keeping them on the same dog food to avoid further complications with their medical treatment," Capitan Police Chief Randy Spear said.

The dogs eat Exclusive Performance and the puppies eat Exclusive Puppy food. Lincoln County Mercantile carries these foods.

Ruidoso Malinois kennel owner Irene Howcroft denied any abuse of the

animals, but said she fired an employee responsible for caring for them after the animals were confiscated.

There have been no charges filed in the case.

The dogs were diagnosed with Giardia and Coccidiosis, diseases a local veterinarian said is common in kennels and very treatable.

The Lincoln County Mercantile can be reached at 354-4260.

For more information, call the Capitan Police Department at 354-2154.

CHICKADEE



A chickadee warily watches photographer David Tremblay. Rain and light snow showers didn't keep a parade of small birds from visiting a feeder in Rancho Ruidoso last week. Cloud cover created an even light for shooting the visitors with a Canon using a 560 MM lens arrangement at a distance of between 9 and 14 feet.

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TRIBE

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Mexicans.

"The members of Fort Sill have not demonstrated even the slightest inclination towards settling on their trust land at Akela Flats," Chino told the committee. "Not one tribal member has made Akela their home. The ancestors of the Fort Sill Apaches made the conscious decision to stay in Oklahoma when given the opportunity to move to Mescalero in 1913. Their descendants have reaffirmed this decision by continuing to live in Oklahoma."

Chino said cousins of the Fort Sill Apache in Mescalero respect the stand but object to the efforts to be recognized as a New Mexico tribe because of their decision. Chino told the commit-

tee that while the Fort Sill Apache Tribe remains in Oklahoma, they seem "bound and determined" to open a casino at Akela. He added that Akela appeared to be all about gaming.

'Delicate balance'

"Fort Sill has employed numerous tactics to achieve this goal," Chino said. "First, to get the land into trust in the first place, Fort Sill promised not to open a casino on the site, only to secretly set up slot machines before getting federal approval. Fort Sill invoked the ire of the state of New Mexico and forced the then governor of New Mexico to call out the State Police."

In March 2008, then Gov. Bill Richardson called for a blockade of the Fort Sill Apache high-stakes bingo parlor at Akela Flats. The Oklahoma tribe called the

action illegal.

Chino said the Mescalero Apache Tribe is opposed to a tribal casino at Akela for several reasons.

"First and foremost, allowing non-New Mexico Indians to open casinos in New Mexico would disturb the delicate balance of that the New Mexico Indian tribes have been able to strike with the state of New Mexico. Allowing outside tribes to game here would be very disruptive to the hard-negotiated agreements that the New Mexico tribes have reached with the state."

Chino also said the potential for additional gaming competition would be harmful.

"Mescalero's primary market is the Las Cruces/El Paso area. Allowing recognition as a first step towards gaming would hurt Mescalero and the huge investment that Mescalero has made in its gaming operations."

In affirming the objections to the Fort Sill situation, Chino said his tribe disputes some of the facts that Fort Sill has been using to achieve their goals. He pointed to a House Memorial that claimed Fort Sill represented the descendants of Cochise and Geronimo. Chino said their descendants live in Mescalero. And Chino said while Fort Sill suggests most Chiricahua Apache stayed in Oklahoma in reality most of the band returned to Mescalero.

LAND

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Interior's Bureau of Indian Affairs.

The Fort Sill Apache Tribe has said its sights are set on returning to New Mexico, a plan that includes opening a gaming casino on the 30 acres.

The land, acquired by the tribe in 1998, already is held in trust for the tribe by the federal government. The tribe now runs a smoke shop and cafe in a building that it initially tried to open as a casino in early 2008.

In the late 1800s, tribal bands were relocated as prisoners of war to Florida and later to a military base in Oklahoma.

The tribe settled a legal dispute in 2007 with the federal government and other Oklahoma tribes that called for federal officials to "timely process" an application for a reservation. The Fort Sill Apaches had argued that the settlement opened the door for them to establish a casino on its southern New Mexico parcel.

Asked about Gov. Susana Martinez's stance toward the Fort Sill Apache casino proposal, spokesman Scott Darnell on Thursday referenced a July 6 letter from the state of New Mexico to the National Indian Gaming

Commission.

"The NIGC still must rule on the gaming issue," he said in an email.

Signed by Martinez's general counsel and the state gaming control board attorney, the 30-page document argues that the tribe fails to meet all National Indian Gaming Act requirements that would allow for it to conduct gambling. Plus, it contends the Fort Sill Apaches' interest in southern New Mexico is "about gaming and gaming alone," considering the tribe has opportunities for economic development and housing elsewhere.

Choices

The state, in its July letter, indicated that the tribe's 239 historical members who were released from imprisonment "had various choices." About two-thirds chose to move to the Mescalero Reservation in New Mexico, "where they were absorbed into the existing tribe, and, presumably are currently enjoying the fruits of the economic endeavors of the Mescalero Nation, which includes gaming." Others were absorbed into the Comanche Nation.

And, "a small number decided to stay in Oklahoma under the rubric of the Fort Sill

Apache Tribe of Oklahoma," the state's attorneys wrote. "Those tribal members, to their credit, made a choice and are currently involved in gaming at Ft. Lawton ..., as well as other economic activities at Akela Flats."

The federal Indian gaming law was "not designed to be the economic cure-all for all tribes," according to the letter.

Still, the attorneys suggested the Fort Sill Tribe might pursue the right to game under a two-part test that's outlined in federal gaming legislation.

The Jemez Pueblo of northern New Mexico attempted to establish a casino in Anthony under that route but was rejected this year by federal officials. Haozous said earlier this month he's considering it as an option.

The Fort Sill Apache tribe consists of about 685 members. About 25 percent live in the Lawton area; 25 percent live in other areas of that state; and the remainder live outside Oklahoma, according to Haozous.

Haozous said the tribe was notified of the reservation approval via an email from its attorney. He said, however, it still must be finalized with a notice in the Federal Register.

"We're very thankful and hopeful," he said. "Hopefully, it's the first step in a long journey home, really."

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Downs in hurry-up mode

Current projects must be completed before new funding is requested

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A hurry-up approach is underway in Ruidoso Downs to apply for infrastructure funding derived from the federal Community Development Block Grant program (CDBG).

Some of the fast-paced completion of two projects, is wrapping up, said Cleatus Richards, the city's public works director.

"We have a fairly tight schedule," Richard said. "We weren't sure until about a week ago that we were going to be able to complete the first round in time to file again. It now appears that we can do that."

A CDBG-funded project must be finished before another grant can be requested.

What city staff is recommending for a new CDBG application is continuation of two street projects, one funded with 2009 CDBG money.

"River Lane improvements require about another \$120,000, including engineering and the like,"

Richards said. "We also want to include Nevada Lane. We've had two (state) co-op grants that have only been about \$80,000. We need about another \$120,000 in construction to finish that project. With all of the engineering, GRT (gross receipts tax), contingencies and other factors, we're looking at probably around \$305,000 to \$310,000 to complete those two projects."

River Lane would require additional curb, gutter and paving to finish out the street and drainage improvements that are included in that project.

A drain line to a ditch immediately east of Parker Road would be included. Nevada Lane needs a larger amount of curb, gutter and paving as well as a drainage structure.

"A curb inlet was constructed as part of the first phase," Richards said of Nevada Lane. "But a riprap channel was not included because we did not have enough money."

The estimated costs are under a CDBG limit of \$500,000.

"We'll take input from the public to see if there's preference for other projects."

Cleatus Richards
Public Works Director

A public hearing on Monday for the CDBG project selection process only heard from a couple of city officials.

Additional hearings, to include resident input, will be held on Dec. 12 and Dec. 19.

"We'll take input from the public to see if there's preference for other projects," Richards said. "And then it will go to the city council for their final determination and approval on what project to apply for."

City Clerk Carol Virden said while a minimum of one public hearing is required, holding three sessions gains additional points in the CDBG award process.

"And they like to see

projects that are ready to go," Virden said of the evaluators. "That's how they actually look at the application. They don't want you to wait to do the RFP (request for proposals) for an engineer or architect. They want that all on board where all you have to do is put out a bid for construction."

Richards said continuation of the two projects has been already fully designed and if a grant is awarded, work could start next summer.

A funding decision could be come by March or April of 2012, Virden said.

Finishing River and Nevada lanes was called "reasonable" by Steve Dunigan, the city's planning director.

"Yeah, I like to finish what I start before we bite off more," Richards said. "I think we'll have a good shot at the \$300,000 or so to finish up these two projects. And again, I think we can complete those probably within a year and be in line to file for another CDBG round next fall/winter, the same as we're doing now."

Gun safety course on county agenda

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A resolution of support for a youth gun safety and handling program will be prepared for approval at the Lincoln County Commission's December meeting.

The decision came last week after a presentation by three young members of the First Presbyterian Youth Marksmanship group and one of the adult leaders, Harold Scheiner. Commissioner Mark Doth asked for the time on the agenda for the group.

Mathew Rigsby, 13, told commissioners he attends Ruidoso Middle School and the group wants to initiate a National Rifle Association shooting club to be called the Lincoln County Young Guns.

"We started two years ago with a safety class and 1 1/2 years ago submitted a grant to the NRA and have \$5,000 of equipment," he said. The adult advisors are Scheiner and Wayne Ellison. Pastor Tony Chamb-

less is the moderator. Scheiner said the group is looking for more members and instructors.

Commissioner Tom Battin asked about the primary motivation to start the program. Scheiner said a couple of boys asked him to teach them how to shoot.

"I thought it was better to get some assistance and the NRA stepped up and helped out," he said. "This is a program I felt definitely was needed considering the number of firearms there are in our community." Young people should be taught how to properly handle firearms, he said.

Commission Chairman Eileen Sedillo asked if this would help the young members obtain permits to go hunting. Scheiner said that's a state requirement.

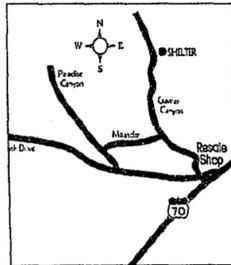
"What we're doing is getting them familiar with all types of firearms," he said, which will also prepare them for the Hunter Safety program required before they can hunt. The NRA offers several levels of certification.

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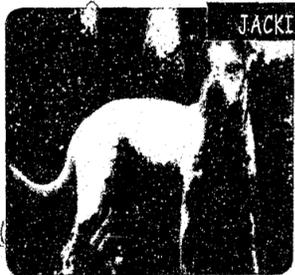


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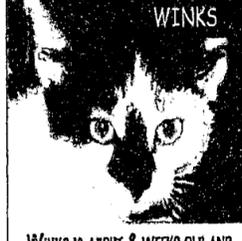
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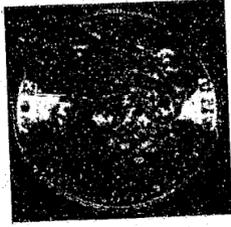


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Bull Elk Hunt

A Mescalero Bull Elk Management Hunt will be raffled to benefit the St. Joseph Apache Mission Restoration Project. Two tickets sell for \$5. The drawing is set for Dec. 4, after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. The hunt values at \$3,000, will be conducted Jan. 7-11, 2012. A required guide will be provided. The winner must pay the \$15 habitat fee, provide vehicle fuel and a tip for the guide. Tickets are available by calling Mary Serna at 575-464-4539, or Fire Power in Ruidoso, at The Archery Hut in Las Cruces and at Cortez Gas in Alamogordo. The project mailing address is P.O. Box 187 Mescalero, NM 88340.

Turning fitness into a lifestyle

How athletes, active hobbyists and the general public can improve their competitive output and overall health

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Editor's note: A five-part series of articles, beginning with today's overall view of how physical activity impacts an individual's overall health, productivity and well-being, will be covered in the *Ruidoso News* sports section. Forthcoming topics will include proper nutrition for sporting competitions and general improvement, proper sleep habits, the benefits of aquatics on all muscles and how personal training could get you into shape for, not only athletic events, but active hobbies, such as golfing, walking your dog, gardening or carpentry.

From Thanksgiving through New Year's Day, the diet of the average

American is easily corrupted for even the most disciplined. Let's face it, turning away a slice of gravy-smothered turkey or capon, a mound of seasoned, mashed potatoes or a heap of herbed, breaded stuffing only can be accomplished by the most regulated fitness-minded advocates of self-control. And then the coup de grace — refusing a piece of freshly made Waldorf Astoria pumpkin cheesecake, replete with two tablespoons of Southern Comfort.

It seems almost un-American to deprive yourself of these pleasures. So you succumbed — now what?

You fell briefly from the wagon of hope onto the ground of excess but redemption is at hand if you are resolved to do so. What to do?



Body pump classes are held at the Ruidoso Athletic Club Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 7:30 a.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5:45 a.m. and 5:45 p.m. and Saturdays at 8:45 a.m.

Maybe a reflection on how the benefits of physical activity can offset your recent fall from grace before it becomes habitual. Adjustments in a person's lifestyle can be made at any time and replaced with corrective physical measures, which could lead to a more healthy future.

Instead of watching

Sylvester Stallone in *Rocky* for the 10th time, why not tear yourself away from that award-winner and try walking, swimming, jogging or some other form of exercise? And if it's not important, make it important.

"If you rest, you rust," Ruidoso Athletic Club (RAC) personal fitness

trainer Avril Coakley admonishes.

Consider this: Regular physical activity increases quality of life as well as reduces the risk of developing or dying from some of the leading causes of illness and death in the United States.

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The 'greedy' one percenters — the rest of the story

The Occupy Wall Street crowd claim society's economic rules favor the top 1 percent at the expense of the other 99.

Former Congressman Richard Gephardt once said that the rich, far from having achieved wealth through hard work, had simply won "life's lottery."



MIKE CURRAN
CURRAN EVENTS

Say what you want about John D. Rockefeller, his sacrifice and persistence as a boy in the mid-1850s trying to secure a job eventually paid off.

When he exhausted his list of potential employers he simply started over from the top, sometimes visiting several firms two or three times.

The more he was

rejected the more he became determined.

It would be hard to imagine if Bill Gates or Steve Jobs had given up when first faced with a brush-off.

In the sports world, currently, Super Bowl-winning quarterback Aaron Rodgers epitomizes what sacrifice and commitment can do for individuals who are willing to "go that extra mile."

While in high school, Rodgers decided to forego the party circuit, and instead focused on his academic studies, while at the same time diligently studying football films.

At 5-foot, 10-inches and 165 pounds, he had to work harder than most to even make it in junior college football, even though he could have played in the Ivy League.

While at JC he was noticed by Cal (University of California, Berkeley) and eventually started at quarterback for them.

On NFL Draft Day he sat by as 23 teams passed him by on the first round, until he was finally drafted by the Green Bay Packers; Brett Favre's Packers.

Favre was extremely popular in Green Bay, but when he eventually left, Rodgers took over under center and the rest — as they say — is now history.

The millions he now makes surely puts him in the 1 percent

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LADY WARRIORS FALL TO ROSWELL IN OPENING GAME



Lady Warrior Lyndsey Saenz, No. 21, goes for two while Madigan Gonzales, No. 15, gets ready for a rebound in Monday's 81-42 loss to visiting Roswell.



Madigan Gonzales, foreground, backs into the play while Lorely Enriquez, No. 22, and Felicia Polaco look for the ball in Monday's game against Roswell.

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 - Reduces the risk of developing colon cancer.
 - Reduces feelings of depression and anxiety.
 - Helps increase energy levels as well as increase the quality of sleep.
- Non-movement of the body leads to low energy, weight gain, chronic diseases, sleep disorders and muscle imbalances. If you

let muscles and joints stop moving, over time the overall body loses the ability to move with any sort of balance or efficiency regardless of age.

Life is motion. When we stop moving, we stop living, which is why staying active is the number one desire of people as they age.

When you talk to healthy people older than 80, they will almost unanimously say their secret is "keeping active." Motion is vital for health and aging well.

"Exercise is not scary," Coakley said. "When people let their muscular system fall apart, their balance and posture then suffers. This is true of men and women, young and old.

"Our bodies and our muscles work best when they are worked. The body has a need to move.

"If you are typing at a computer for an hour, when you stand up your first instinct is to stretch. When people undergo surgery, they are now required to get up and move around as soon as possible.

"Studies show people

heal much better when you get them moving. Exercise in general is simply moving your body.

"In addition to the obvious muscular and cardiovascular benefits of moving, motion and physical activity pump vital fluids within the body.

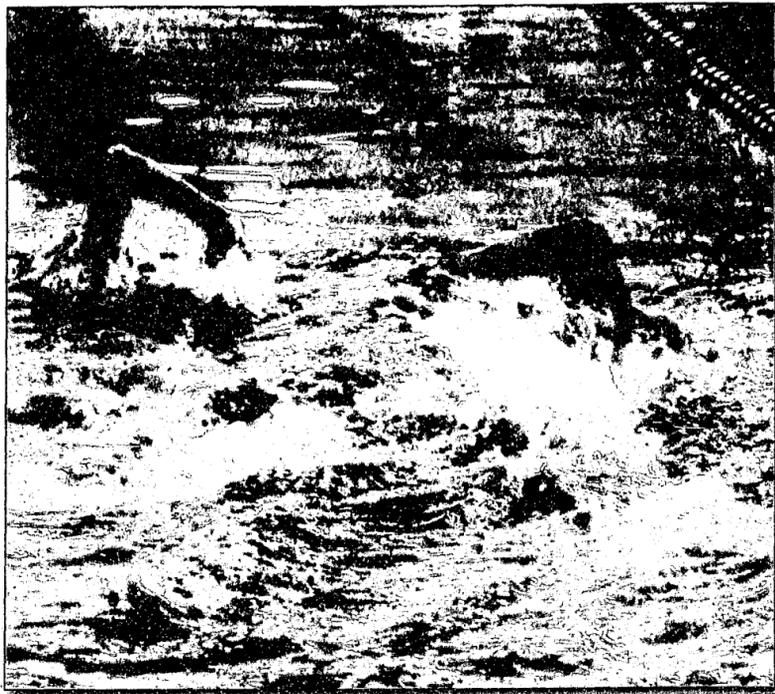
"Cells and tissues with little direct circulation receive nutrition and have their waste products removed by the physical compression and stretching that occurs with motion and exercise.

"This is why incorporating regular exercise is so vital to an individual's health and well-being."

For those who choose to modify their lifestyle and incorporate physical activity into a consistent regimen of living, other facets of improved health should also be considered in conjunction.

Proper nutrition can greatly aid sports recoveries in such events as baseball, basketball, running, swimming, etc., before and after such performances.

Qualified, personal training experts can get you in suitable shape for such competitions as ski-



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Lap swimming and water aerobics classes are held at the RAC.

ing, racquetball and cycling.

Improper sleep habits and sleep disorders can affect an athlete's conduct on the field of play as well as influencing a person's emotional and/or mental capabilities in his or her

covered individually in upcoming articles in the Ruidoso News sports section.

Editor's note: RAC personal fitness trainer, Avril Coakley, contributed greatly to this article.

STORY

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category.

Ted Williams eventually made it to Major League Baseball on his hitting talents. But once there, with the Boston Red Sox, he did not stop trying to advance his hitting abilities.

Reportedly, he would sometimes practice hitting until his hands bled.

When his teammates

saw him approach they sometimes tried to avoid him — and those from opposing teams, too. Williams had a one-track mind — the art of hitting. That's all he wanted to discuss with them.

Maybe that's why he was the last MLB player to bat over .400 (.406 in 1941). He reached base an amazing 48 percent of the time. Surely, Williams qualified for 1 percent status.

Then, on a more mun-

dane level, there is the story of a former RHS baseball player. After graduating high school in the northeast, he drifted aimlessly, experimenting with marijuana and alcohol, while working nights as a dishwasher in a restaurant.

A family friend took him to a Navy recruiter and he scored so high the Navy offered him a position at the Naval Nuclear Power School in Charleston, S.C., after

completion of boot camp.

The first school — "A" School — was hard, but the naval nuclear student, besides putting in eight hours a day, Monday through Friday, in class, spent 25-30 hours a week studying, much of it on Friday and Saturday evenings while some of his mates were out on the town. He finished "A" School in the top three of his class, and was actually No. 1 for the last two weeks.

At the end of that school his father called and asked him what he attributed his success to.

"Baseball, dad," the young man replied. "When I was 8, 9 and 10 years old you had me in the cellar of our house, pitching for one hour, and hitting for the other hour — four times a week. Other kids were playing Nintendo and watching TV. I got better every year and it taught me the value of discipline, commitment and sacrifice.

"There are other students here smarter than I, but none put in the hours of study I do. I rarely go off base. If I can complete the Nuclear School, there will be time enough down the road to enjoy the fruits of my labor. Thanks, dad."

It's too soon to tell if this young man will attain 1 percent status, but he is working hard to that end by denying himself what some others enjoy, now. That's a common trait of the 1 percenters.



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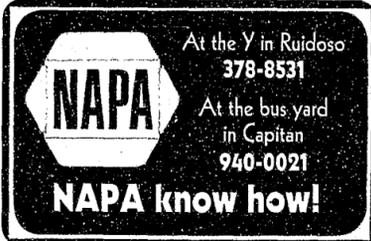
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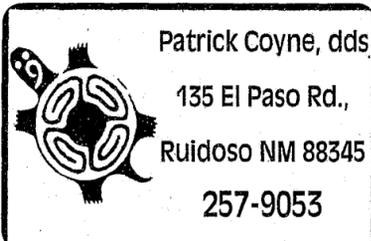
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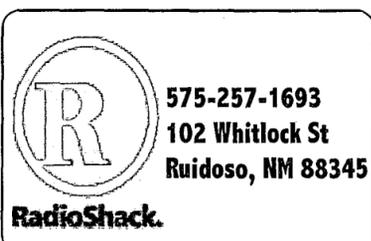
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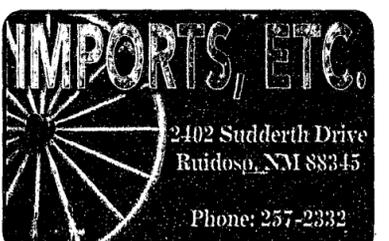
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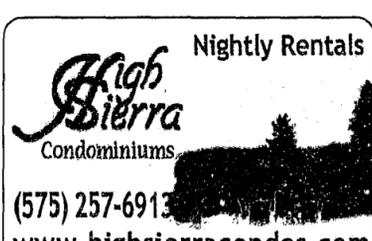
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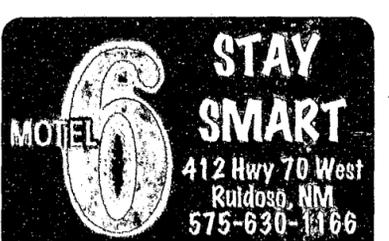
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Christmas at the library: Santa, snacks, and shopping

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December will see a flurry of events in Capitan for the young and old as the Capitan Public Library winds up to deliver three weekends of festivities and shopping.

The events kick off on Dec. 3 with the library's bazaar, followed by the Not 2 Shabby shop's trunk shows on the next two Saturdays, featuring an assortment of local artists and their works.

The Cowboy Santa Parade also will see its 15th year of western winter wonders as horses and marchers parade from the west end of Capitan, down Smokey Bear Boulevard, to the library on Dec. 10.

Library events

On Dec. 3, more than 40 local artists, give or take a few last-minute entries, will display one-of-a-kind gift items, ranging from needlework to pottery, said Pat Garrett, director of the library.

The bazaar has been a library tradition since its founding, and one of the major fundraisers of the year, Garrett said.

Along with the bazaar will be a bake sale, featuring See's candies, which Garrett said would be a real treat.

The Capitan Public Library is an entirely volunteer organization, run on proceeds from its fundraisers, sales at the Not 2 Shabby shop, private donations, and support from the village, county and state.

The bazaar will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the library.

The following weekend Cowboy Santa will parade down Smokey Bear Boulevard in a cart driven by Sally Canning of the Laughing Sheep Farm, along with a procession of horse-drawn carts and carriages, riders and anyone wishing to march alongside. No motorized vehicles will be allowed in the parade, which begins at 12:30 p.m.

Garrett said that there are typically about 12 entries for the parade, but more would always be welcome. She said the event was started during the library's first year, and had been continued ever since.

And the best part comes when Santa reaches the library. Garrett said that Santa would be taking care of his usual business of bringing joy to children by giving them a gift bag containing a book, a small gift, and



ERIK BEARER/RUIDOSO NEWS

From left, library volunteers Edith Malcolm, Pat Sullivan, Debbie Myers, Library Director Pat Garrett, Ann Curtis, and Wanda Polhemus display some of the one-of-a-kind gift items that will be available at the library's Dec. 3 bazaar.

some sweets.

"It's a thank you to the community for their support," Garrett said. "It's something we do to bring Santa and gifts to children."

Apple cider and cookies will be served in the library all day, so families are welcome to warm up with a book while visiting with Santa after the parade, Garrett said.

The library, with a bit of help from Walmart in the form of a \$100 gift card, is funding the event, which includes a photo with Santa, Garrett said. The photos will be available for pickup by families on Dec. 13 at no charge.

Applications to be in the parade are available at the Capitan Public Library and at the Post Office. Anyone interested in entering the parade is encouraged to pick up and return an application by noon on Dec. 9.

Not 2 Shabby's showing

The Not 2 Shabby shops trunk shows on Dec. 10 and 17 will feature an assortment of unique gifts from various artists and craftspeople in Capitan, who were coaxed out of the woodworking studios for two days to sell their art.

"There are a lot of artists in the community that are

part-time artists," said Raylene Greer, manager of the shop, who explained that since the Capitan Chamber of Commerce disbanded earlier this year, those artists did not have a place to display their work.

She said that she was hoping to draw more attention to the area with two weekends of their trunk show, which would see its premier as Capitan's Cowboy Santa rolled into the library.

Previously, the chamber would hold a craft show on the first weekend of December.

The shop, operated by the Capitan Public Library, is run by a group of volunteers who log, on average, about 180 volunteer hours each week, Greer said.

"It's treated like a business, even though they're volunteers," Greer said, adding that proceeds from the shop are part of the funding for the library.

The Not 2 Shabby shop accepts donations of clothing, furniture, knick-knacks, and other household items, with the exception of electronics, Greer said.

For more information on these events, contact the Capitan Public Library at (575) 354-3035 and the Not 2 Shabby shop at (575) 354-0149.

Lincoln County law: Carrizozo and the county seat

Last week's column told of the mob scene in Lincoln County as it appeared in the June 23, 1911, issue of Carrizozo Outlook.

This week's column includes another headline story that appeared along side that big story of the week. The headline, "District Attorney's Opinion" was followed by a subtitle, "Makes it Plain to County Officers that Records Should be at Carrizozo."

The article began with a June 19, 1911, letter addressed to two Lincoln County officials, Dr. T. W. Watson, Treasurer and Ex-officio Collector and Mr. J. G. Riggle, Probate Clerk and Ex-officio Recorder:

"Gentlemen - In reply to your communication of the 15th inst. regarding the question of the removal of the county officers and the records pertaining to same from Lincoln to Carrizozo, and your request to me for my opinion as District Attorney, I have to say, that I have carefully examined the law covering

this subject: Sec. 633

Compiled Laws, 1897 provides as follows: 'So soon as convenient buildings can be had at such new county seats, the courts shall be held therein and as soon as the new court house and jail shall have been completed

the commissioners shall cause all the county records, county officers and property pertaining thereto, and all county prisoners to be removed to the new county seat.'" (Llewellyn went on to quote the full text of the law pertaining to the issue.)

He ends his letter with the following: "After an election held under the statute and upon the canvas of the return, the Board of County Commissioners of Lincoln County declared Carrizozo to be the county seat of such county. This they not only had the power and authority to do but it was a duty which the statute required them to perform.

"This declaration has never been disturbed or

revoked. On the contrary the courts of New Mexico have, without exception, sustained the action of the Board thus declaring Carrizozo to be the County Seat.

"There can be, in my opinion, no question but that the officers of Lincoln County, on refusal or failure to remove their respective offices from Lincoln to Carrizozo are liable to be removed from office on complaint of any taxpayer. As the board has secured suitable offices for the proper use of the county there remains no valid excuse for not removing at once to Carrizozo."



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John Goodwin, back, right, a Capitan student attending McPherson College, participated in the Global Enterprise Challenge.

LINCOLN COUNTY BRIEFS

Open house at police station

The Carrizozo Police Department will welcome visitors for an open house, celebrating the completed renovations on the station from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Dec. 15.

Art will be on display from Ron Lenci, a Carrizozo artist that creates museum-quality shadow boxes.

Priced to go

There will be more than 350 items for sale at discount prices, Dec. 2 through 4 at the Malkerson Modern Art Gallery in Carrizozo, located 415 12th Street.

The furniture and things all come from Artist in Residence studios and houses that the gallery has had over the past five years, as well as from the closings of Carrizozo Clay and the Malkerson Modern Gallery.

The sale runs from noon to 5 p.m. on Dec. 2, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Dec. 3, and finishes from noon to 4 p.m. on Dec. 4.

Bring cash or check as no credit cards can be accepted.

Holiday hoedown

From 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Dec. 3 at the Carrizozo Woman's Club, featuring a variety of arts and crafts

Lunch also will be available, with the choice of red or green enchiladas, salad, and chocolate or lemon cake for \$7.50 per person. Cookies and wassail will be available mid afternoon.

Health initiative

For those interested in getting involved in combatting the hunger and obesity epidemic in New Mexico, a new program, The Lincoln and Otero County Healthy Life Initiative, is being led by the U.S. Forest Service and the New Mexico Alliance for Children.

Visit their website at www.nmhealthykids.org for more information on the program, or watch their video at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=deNwKH-jiBw&feature=youtu.be> to learn about the program mission and how to get involved.

Young entrepreneur
Capitan student recognized in contest

Capitan student John Goodwin clearly demonstrated his entrepreneurship as he worked in this year's Global Enterprise Challenge, which asked students to come up with a sustainable venture to help in Panama.

While his team didn't win, they presented a great idea to work with the Kuna tribe in Panama.

The Kuna are a people with a dwindling language (called Dulegaya) and culture. In general people of the younger generation are trying to encourage greater tourism to the area, while the older generation tends to be concerned about losing their unique culture as a result. The team proposed a way of bridging that gap: using modern video technology to document, preserve and promote the culture of the Kuna.

They want to teach the

Kuna how to create engaging video and websites to attract interest in their community. The hope is to ultimately have the program pay for itself through cultural tourism, online advertising and online selling of Kuna products.

Goodwin's team was one of five participating in the three-day challenge.

The winning team proposed "Esperanza: Cultivating with Compassion."

The concept is to establish a grade school in Panama with a circular model, where the community will sponsor promising students to higher education, after which the students will return to teach the next generation.

The challenge was the centerpiece of McPherson College's celebration of Global Entrepreneurship Week

- From reports



Harold Ray Rushing
1950-2011

Harold was born Oct. 23, 1950 in Snyder, TX. He was a long time resident of Ruidoso, NM. Harold was married to Juelan Stevenson Rushing and was a loving husband, father and grandfather. Survivors include wife, Juelan Stevenson Rushing, son, Cody Rushing and wife Beth (son Ethan) of Albuquerque, NM, Grady Rushing and wife Wendi (children, Lexi and Kyle) of Grandbury, TX, Corey Rushing and wife Andrea (children, Savannah, Ashleigh, Shyrelle and Harley) of Ruidoso, NM.

We all know he is forever watching over his family as he did in life now as an angel in heaven.

Services will be held Thursday Dec. 1, 2011, 2:00 pm at Lagrone Funeral Chapel 341 Sudderth Dr. Ruidoso, NM.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.lagroneruidoso.com

Robert W. Grose
1933-2011

Robert W. Grose, 78, passed away on November 20, 2011 in Albuquerque, NM following a brief illness. He is survived by his loving wife Barbara; his two daughters: Phyllis & Glenn Coleman of MD, Linda & James Powell of Alabama; 3 stepchildren: Roger Anderson, Karen L. Anderson & Ron & Jenny (children Halen & Beau) Anderson all of Ruidoso; 8 grandchildren; 1 great-grandchild & numerous nieces & nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents of West Virginia and by 10 brothers and sisters.

Funeral services will be held Sunday, December 4th in El Paso, TX at Martin Funeral Home, 3839 Montana Ave at 1:00 pm.

Contributions can be made to the Robert W. Grose Memorial Fund at First national bank in Ruidoso.



Thomas E. Schintgen
1941-2011

Thomas E. Schintgen, age 70, died peacefully at his home after a seven month battle with lung cancer.

He was born September 29, 1941 in Sheboygan, Wisconsin to Joseph and Kathryn Schintgen. He attended school in Sheboygan Falls, Wisconsin. On May 15, 1965 Thomas was united in marriage to Kathleen P. Crum in Chicago, Illinois.

Tom served his country with the U.S. Navy. He worked most of his career around medicine and emergency medical services. He started in Chicago, Illinois at the American Medical Association and then moved to Carpentersville, Illinois where he worked at Elgin Community Hospital. In 1975, Thomas and Kathleen moved to New Mexico. He worked at UNMC Burn Unit, Albuquerque Ambulance and Edgewood Sheriff's Department until they moved to Capitan, NM. He worked at Lincoln County Sheriff's Department until he retired in 2005.

In addition to his wife Kathleen, Thomas is survived by a son and daughter-in-law, Michael and Katherine and a grand-daughter Kaitlin of New Braunfels, TX. He is also survived by three sisters and three brother-in-laws Judith Kelm of Sheboygan Falls, Wisconsin, Mary Kay (Paul) Lee of Capitan, NM, Sandra (Tom) Kuether of Sheboygan, Wisconsin, Stephen Crum (Sharon) of Baltimore, Maryland, as well as many nieces and nephews.

Tom requested no services. Condolences may be sent to Kathleen Schintgen, PO Box 975, Capitan, NM. E-mail: tkshintgen@yahoo.com. Tom will be sadly missed by family and many friends.

We would like to extend our sincere gratitude to Tom's doctor and friend, Walter Ray Seidel, Jr. and to Ruidoso Home Care and Hospice for all their care and compassion.

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RUIDOSO POLICE BRIEFS

Nov. 20

8:51 a.m. - Cpl. Steve Corbin responded to a business in the 1200 block of Mechem Drive for an attempted breaking and entering report.

The business owner reported someone had removed an air conditioning unit from the rear of his building and attempted to enter the business. White Mountain Alarm notified the victim at 4:45 a.m.

The air conditioner was reported to be valued at \$400.

Nov. 21

10:22 a.m. - Officer Roger Hatcher responded to

200 Close Street for a report of criminal damage to property.

A village employee reported someone broke the rear window of her village-owned vehicle. Hatcher reported the damage was consistent with being struck by a rock or similar object.

1:30 p.m. - School Resource Officer Sal Beltran responded to the Ruidoso Municipal Schools Central Office for a report of criminal damage to property.

Beltran reported someone had broken the window of a vehicle parked behind the building with a rock and spray painted words on a wall of the building.

Nov. 22

8:23 a.m. - Hatcher responded to the 400 block of Main Road for a report of auto burglary.

The victim reported locking the vehicle the previous evening, then finding it unlocked and his stereo, amplifier, speakers and iPod missing.

The victim said there was also a metal toolbox with \$1,000 in tools missing from under his porch.

Hatcher reported finding no sign of forced entry on the vehicle.

11:41 a.m. - Officer Josh Snodgrass responded to the 100 block of Texas Street for a report of a burglary. The victim said he came

outside the previous day and noticed his iPod was missing from his vehicle. He attempted to locate it prior to calling police.

Snodgrass reports there was no sign of forced entry.

12:05 p.m. - Hatcher responded to the 100 block of White Pine for a larceny report.

The victim reported an antique pump, valued at \$250, had been stolen from her yard between Nov. 18 and Nov. 22.

1:15 p.m. - Snodgrass responded to the 100 block of Upper Deck for a possible auto burglary.

The victim reported his wallet was missing from the center console of his vehicle. He told Snodgrass he forgot

to lock it the previous evening.

Someone attempted to use one of the credit cards from the wallet at a local gas station, but the victim had cancelled the cards.

Nov. 23

12:13 a.m. - Cpl. Larry Smith responded to the 300 block of Mockingbird Lane for a report of a burglary.

Smith reported finding a window open and the front door unlocked. Every room had been gone through and cabinets opened.

A radio was reported stolen from the residence.

1:05 p.m. - Officer Jon Lund responded to the 300 block of Mechem Drive for

threats.

The victim reported Douglas Murphy, 42, entered the store, yelled at her and threatened to kill her.

Lund and Sgt. Mike Weaver went to Murphy's apartment, near the store, and questioned him. He said the woman was yelling at him.

Weaver reportedly asked Murphy if there was any marijuana in the apartment. Murphy reportedly said yes and told the officers where it was.

Lund cited Murphy into Magistrate Court on charges of assault and possession of marijuana.

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CARRIZOZO MAGISTRATE COURT BRIEFS

Nov. 4

• Trina Jimenez, 22, of Ruidoso, pleaded no contest to fraud of more than \$250.

Judge Martha Proctor sentenced Jimenez to 364 days probation and \$73 in fees.

• Amanda Knight, 32, of Ruidoso, waived the right to an attorney and pleaded no contest to attempted issuing a worthless check of \$25 or more.

Per a plea and disposition agreement reached with Deputy District Attorney Reed Thompson, the state amended the charge of issuing a worthless check of \$25 or more.

Proctor sentenced Knight to 364 days unsu-

pervised probation and \$73 in fees.

Nov. 7

• Patricio Delgado, 37, of Las Cruces, waived the right to an attorney and pleaded no contest to unlawful hunting or fishing, first offense.

Proctor sentenced Delgado to 182 days probation and \$173 in fines and fees.

Nov. 8

• Jason Torres, 28, of Roswell, waived the right to an attorney and pleaded no contest to driving while license suspended or revoked, accidents involving damage to vehicle, failure to

notify owner upon striking fixture or property, failure to give immediate notice of accident, careless driving, expired license and no insurance.

Proctor sentenced Torres to 10 days in jail, time served, 354 days probation, \$872 in fines and fees and a \$100 bench warrant fee.

Nov. 10

• Jeremy Martindale, 24, of Carrizozo, waived the right to an attorney and pleaded no contest to assault on a peace officer, possession of drug paraphernalia and concealing identity.

Proctor sentenced Martindale to seven days in jail,

357 days of probation and \$329 in fines and fees.

Nov. 17

• Donald W. Kuehn, 48, of Capitan, waived the right to an attorney and pleaded no contest to littering and unlawful hunting or fishing, first offense.

Proctor sentenced Kuehn to 182 days unsupervised probation and \$401 in fines and fees.

• Janis Kercheval, 41, of Placitas, N.M., pleaded guilty to aggravated DWI (first offense) and open container.

Proctor sentenced Kercheval to five years probation and \$1,327 in fines and fees.

Nov. 18

• Michael J. Tercero, 43, of Ruidoso, waived the right to an attorney and pleaded no contest to no driver's license.

Under a plea and disposition agreement reached with Assistant District Attorney Elizabeth Williams, the state amended the charge from driving while license suspended or revoked.

Proctor sentenced Tercero to 90 days probation and \$131 in fines and fees.

• Esger Ramirez, 28, of Anthony, N.M., waived the right to an attorney and pleaded no contest to charges of no driver's license.

Under a plea and disposition agreement reached with Williams, the state amended a charge of driving on a suspended or revoked license and dismissed display of registration plates and temporary permits and plates prohibited.

Proctor sentenced Ramirez to 90 days unsupervised probation and \$131 in fines and fees.

• Gustavo Caldasvarona, 65, of Carrizozo, waived the right to an attorney and pleaded no contest to driving on a suspended or revoked license.

Proctor sentenced Caldasvarona to pay \$71 in fees.

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Have Yourself a Very Vintage Christmas

By Lindsey Romain
CTW Features

Nostalgia is in vogue and nothing embodies nostalgia like the holiday season. But what exactly constitutes a vintage Christmas? And, with all of this familiar influence, how well does anyone really know the eras from whence they came?

A quick flip through Susan Waggoner's book "Have Yourself a Very Vintage Christmas: Crafts, Decorating Tips and Recipes, 1920s-1960s" (Stewart, Tabori & Chang, 2011) is a reminder that the idea of vintage can get lost in its respective decade. Perhaps the two most distinguishable decades in American Christmas style were the 1920s and the 1950s.

The 20s were about family, warmth and tradition, the 50s about adapting to the suburban lifestyle and utilizing new technology.

"To me, the big dividing line between those two decades was World War II," Waggoner says. "It became way more flashy after the war."

Indeed, 1920s décor placed a heavy influence on the idea of gathering together near an open fire, as demonstrated by Christmas cards from the time.

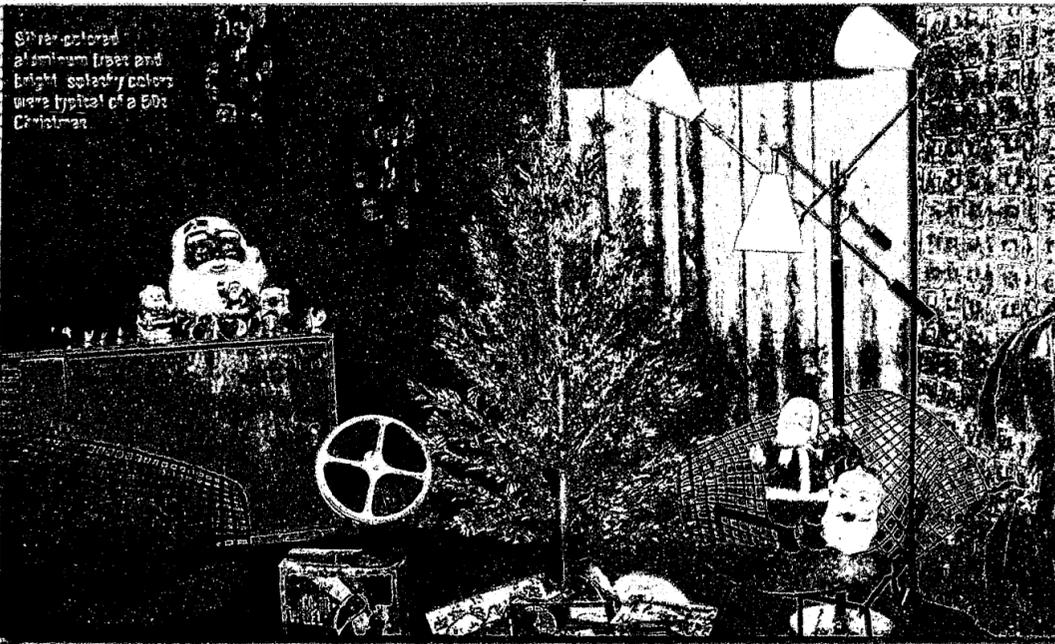
"It's amazing to me how many cards had the fireplace as the focus and the tree to the side," Waggoner says. "Every home had a fireplace and a mantel, and that was really more important than the tree. The fire was the source of warmth, the social center."

Trees still had a presence, but without electricity, they relied more on sheer volume than glittering spectacle.

"And I don't think people actually used candles as a source of light," says Waggoner, noting the flammability would have turned most people away from that as

Retro style is back in full force, but how well do you know your holiday decorations by decades?

Holiday pixies, made of felt, were typical of 50s Christmas décor. This set was made in Japan, while other varieties originated in Germany.



Silver-colored aluminum trees and bright, colorful lights were typical of a 50s Christmas.

Instead, garland and cardboard ornaments filled the branches, and homemade villages took the place of presents under the tree.

For any curious decorator looking to create a 20s holiday theme, Waggoner suggests starting with the colonial elements like framed silhouettes and postcards.

As for the use of color, the 20s focused primarily on red, says Waggoner. Green was more of an accent than anything, while other colors were kept subdued.

By contrast, the 50s were all about bright, statement-making color explosions.

"For the first time, the public was offered ornaments in pink and aqua," says Travis Smith, author of "Kitschmasland!: Christmas Décor from the 1950s to the 1970s" (Schiffer Publishing, 2008).

Silver-colored aluminum Christmas trees were also sprucing up the room, and light was becoming a prominent household staple.

"In the 20s, anyone with electricity would have had to plug their tree into the ceiling light fixture, but in the 50s everyone had electricity and it became more about outdoing your neighbor," Waggoner says.

Blown-glass ornaments gained popularity in the 50s, as well as ornaments that looked "atomic."

"You also saw the emergence of plastic, which was a relatively new material," Smith says. Suddenly, plastic light-up Santas and reindeer dotted lawns and living rooms, and imitation candles lined windowsills.

The bold palette of 50s design makes it a more popular look today, and online venues like eBay have become prime markets for those recreating vintage holiday looks. Waggoner, however, likes the challenge of the more traditional 20s theme, which can be recreated without tracking down pricey items in antique stores or online.

"Use some Stickles Glitter Glue and trace the lines of old postcards," she suggests for a 20s Christmas craft. "Get the kids involved; homemade cellophane wreaths are an easy project to work on with them."

Regardless of the era, a vintage Christmas is all about the spirit at the center of the holiday.

"Vintage is popular again because it evokes a nostalgia for simpler, more innocent times - when the world ran at a slower pace, and when holiday celebrations revolved around family and not having the latest gadget," Smith says.

"For me, Christmas is just a time to look back and think, 'Gosh, my life was so much easier,'" Waggoner says. "But there's also something about old art that's lush, wonderful and detailed."

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Hard rock mining threatens a national treasure



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The peaceful slopes of Otero Mesa are gravely threatened by recent mining claims credit: courtesy of oteromesa.org.

The peaceful slopes of Wind Mountain on Otero Mesa are gravely threatened by recent mining claims staked by Colorado-based Geovic Mining Corporation.

Many of these are within an existing Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC) and proposed wilderness. Not only would this pristine area be turned into a cratered landscape of pits and tailings — leaching chemicals from the mining and refinement processes could also irreversibly contaminate the large freshwater aquifer under Otero Mesa.

Exploratory drilling has already begun. Geovic will take up to 10 core samples 50 to 200 feet deep in search of rare earth minerals. A 2010 study by the United States Geological Survey, followed up by a New Mexico Tech University report, indicate that Wind Mountain, Black Mountain and other areas in the Cornudas Range of Otero Mesa contain deposits of eudialyte, a substrate mineral which can be refined to yield rare earth elements (REE). The deposit is estimated at 10-30 percent of the rock that covers the mountains, promising enough to Geovic to prompt the company to dramatically increase its interest in the area.

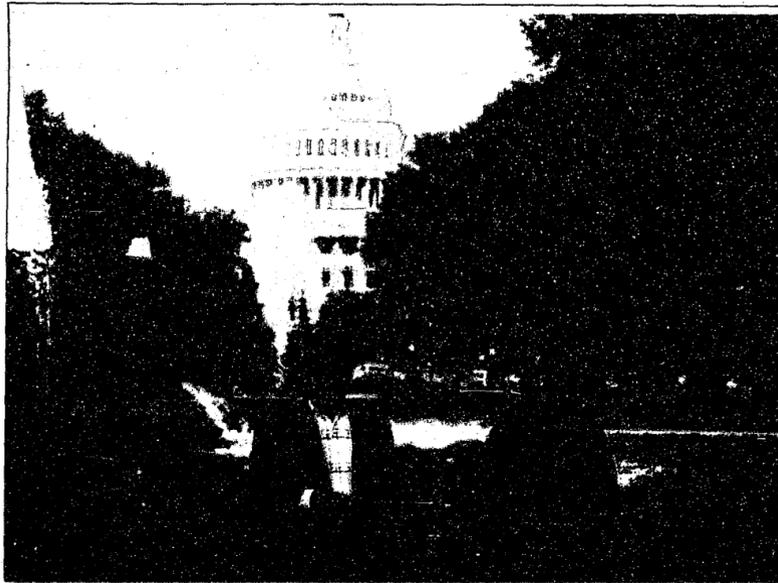
The impact of this hardrock mining on the fragile grassland ecosystem of Otero Mesa would be devastating. As the largest intact Chihuahuan Desert grassland, the rich network of biodiversity that thrives here would have their habitats fragmented by roads and development necessary to make the mine operational. Potential mountain-top removal, soil compaction, erosion, loss of soil biota would be amplified

throughout the ecosystem; there will be increased stress on wildlife through noise and other disruptions; reduced plant growth, penetration by spills to the groundwater and the introduction of noxious weeds are some of the cumulative effects that mining will have directly on site and on the larger surrounding areas.

Along with the devastation to the beauty of the land and the important role the Cornudas Mountains play in the Otero Mesa ecosystem, part of New Mexico's cultural heritage would be destroyed as well. Wind Mountain is one of the "sky islands" on Otero Mesa considered sacred to both the Mescalero Apache and Yselta del Sur Tribes, and there is evidence of Native American use in the area dating back more than 1,000 years.

Hot commodity

Geovic is presently avoiding the more extensive NEPA environmental impact analysis by staging the exploratory operations outside of the ACEC, but optimistically posted in a stockholder newsletter that "the Cornudas Mountain claims have the potential to host a large advanced metals resource capable of becoming a long-life small scale limited impact mining operation..." Rare earth elements are the hottest commodity in minerals right now, due to their role in electronics, medical imaging, high tech and even green industries. They are considered as vital to national security for their use in military weaponry and defense technologies. But rare earth elements are not rare: they can be found in plentiful deposits in China, the U.S., Malaysia,



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Mescalero Apache Traditional Elders Ted Rodriguez and Larry Shay lobby the Obama administration in June for national monument designation for Otero Mesa.



COURTESY LYNN CHAMBERLAIN

Cougars are under threat statewide but have a safe haven on Otero Mesa.

India, Brazil, Canada, Australia and Eastern Europe. It is the difficult and expensive extraction process that has limited mining in the U.S. up to now. An abandoned mine in the Mohave Desert will recommence REE mining

soon, its start-up pricetag, half a billion dollars.

China, the major source of rare earth elements, has undergone an environmental catastrophe through its REE mining operations. A PBS special in 2009 documented the wasteland

spreading near the Baiyunebo mine in Inner Mongolia. Formerly rich agricultural fields have been poisoned by extensive ground and water contamination through the mining process use of toxic chemicals, acids, sulfates and ammonia. Air pollution from emissions of fluorine and sulfur have caused major health problems for workers, and the nearby water has been determined unfit to drink.

Location, cost

There is no doubt that other sources of REE's will soon be feeding the worldwide demand, and that China's tight hold on the supply will be loosened. The question is where the mining operations to exploit this resource will be located, and at what cost? REE mining is a "water-intensive, toxic process" (Popular Science Magazine, 3-10-11). Wind Mountain, and all of Otero

Mesa, sits atop the largest fresh water aquifer in New Mexico, a state whose arid climate is only getting worse. If the "small-scale" mining operation Geovic envisions becomes reality, the Salt Basin Aquifer is the most likely source of water needed, a resource far more precious than metals that can be found elsewhere.

The mining operation on Wind Mountain would result in its total devastation, reduced to a network of open pits, stockpiles of waste and tailings, surface facilities including leach tanks, reaction vessels, solvent extraction plants, and a furnace. Roads for travel and distribution of product would lace the nearby grasslands causing irreparable damage to the fragile ecosystem. Although Geovic claims to have a remediation plan in place, typically the large open pits are not backfilled because of the huge cost.

There are substitutes being developed for REEs. Toyota is working on REE-free motors for its hybrids and electric cars, and other industries, including the U.S. military, are seeking these solutions. A bill being considered now in Congress would allocate low-cost loans for mining rare earth metals, and speed up the permitting process.

For Otero Mesa and Wind Mountain, this would be a disaster.

Courtesy of oteromesa.org. The Coalition for Otero Mesa invites you to join thousands of local residents from the tri-county area to designate national monument status for Otero Mesa. For more information on Otero Mesa or if you would like to become active in protecting it, visit www.oteromesa.org.



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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D1226CV201100298

WELLS FARGO BANK NA, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO WELLS FARGO HOME MORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff,

v. WILLIAM LOUNSBURY AKA BILL LOUNSBURY AKA WILLIAM EDMUND LOUNSBURY AKA JUDY EMBERTON ANN

Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SUIT. STATE OF NEW MEXICO TO THE ABOVE NAMED Defendant(s) Judge Ann Emberton aka Judge Ann Emberton aka Judge Ann Emberton

GREETINGS: 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 213 Main Road, Ruidoso, NM 88345, Lincoln County, New Mexico, said property being more particularly described as:

TRACT 1: Lot D-49, being a part of Lot D-49 (Block B, Tract 1) SINGING SUBDIVISION, Ruidoso, New Mexico, in the SE 1/4 of Section 20, Township 11 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M., Lincoln County, New Mexico, as shown by the Corrected Plat thereof filed in the office of the County Clerk and Ex-officio Recorder of Lincoln County, August 24, 2011, and being the same land conveyed December 3, 1966, from John W. Knorr and wife, Ruth Bradley Knorr, to M.T. Lewellen and wife, Ruth N. Lewellen, and recorded in Book 57, page 559, of the Records of Lincoln County, New Mexico.

TRACT 2: A tract of land being of the Northwest corner of NE 1/4 NW 1/4, Section 29, Township 11 South, Range 13 East, N.M.P.M., Lincoln County, New Mexico, North 85 degrees 38 minutes East, along the North line of said NE 1/4 NW 1/4, 141.5 feet thence South 9 degrees 14 minutes East, to the South line of said NE 1/4 NW 1/4, thence West 1/4 mile along the South line thereof, thence North 85 degrees 38 minutes West, along the West line of said NE 1/4 NW 1/4, to the point of beginning, and being the same land conveyed September 1962, from John W. Knorr and wife, Ruth B. Knorr, and M.T. Lewellen and wife, Ruth N. Lewellen, and recorded in Book 49, page 448, of the Records of Lincoln County, New Mexico.

TRACT 3: Lots 36 and 36A, Block E, SINGING PINES SUBDIVISION, Ruidoso, 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, September 5, 1957.

Unless you serve a pleading or motion in response to the complaint in said cause on or before 30 days after the last publication date, judgment by default will be entered against you.

Respectfully Submitted, CASTLE STAWIARSKI, LLC

By: Elizabeth Mason Keya Koul Steven Lucero 20 First Plaza NW, Suite 602, Albuquerque, NM 87102. Tel: (505) 848-9500 Fax: (505) 848-9516 Attorney for Plaintiff

WITNESS the Honorable KAREN L. PARSONS, DISTRICT JUDGE of the Twelfth Judicial District Court, Lincoln County, New Mexico, this 23rd day of November, 2011.

Jan Perry CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

By: Gloria Lamoy Deputy

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF LINCOLN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

No. D-1226-CV-2011-00237

BANK OF AMERICA N.A., as successor by merger to CITICOMM BANKS SERVING, LP, aka CITICOMM WIDE HOME LOANS SERVING, LP, Plaintiff,

vs. JOHN GRAY, if living, THE ESTATE OF JOHN GRAY, HEIRS, DEVISEES AND CREDITORS, JOHN GRAY, Deceased, and JANE DOE GRAY (true name unknown), his spouse, the general and separate and joint and several DEPARTMENT OF STATE OF NEW MEXICO, Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT. TO: Defendant(s) John Gray, if living, if deceased, the Estate of John Gray, Defendant(s) John Gray, Heirs, Devisees and Creditors, John Gray, Deceased, and Jane Doe Gray, 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 213 Main Road, Ruidoso, New Mexico, more particularly described as:

LOT 16, BLOCK 2 OF COULDSYRUS ESTATES, 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, ON JUNE 9, 1960.

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

Name, address, and phone number of Plaintiff's attorney: Susan C. Little & Associates, P.A., 4501 Indian School, Suite 101, Post Office Box 3509, Albuquerque, NM 87190-3509, 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 16th day of November, 2011.

JAN PERRY CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT

By: Gloria LaMay (SEAL) Deputy

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Conterra Ultra Broadband is proposing to construct a 35' lateral height monopole located at 211 Sudderth Dr, Ruidoso NM, 88345. Public comments regarding potential effects from this site on historic properties may be submitted within 30 days from the date of this publication to: RE: Seagrass Bankmark Environmental Consultants Co Rick Garnett 616 E. Central Expwy, Ste 808 Dollos, TX 75206, by calling 214-363-5996 or e-mailing Rick@bankmarkenv.com. Please refer to Lincoln County.

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LEGAL NOTICE The Eastern New Mexico University Board of Regents will meet on Thursday, December 8 at 9:00 a.m. in the ENMU-Roswell campus. Regent's will act upon business so presented on that day in the session. Agendas for the meetings are available at the President's Office located in the ENMU-Roswell campus Administration Building. The public is invited to attend the regular meeting. Eastern New Mexico University is an EEO/AA Institution.

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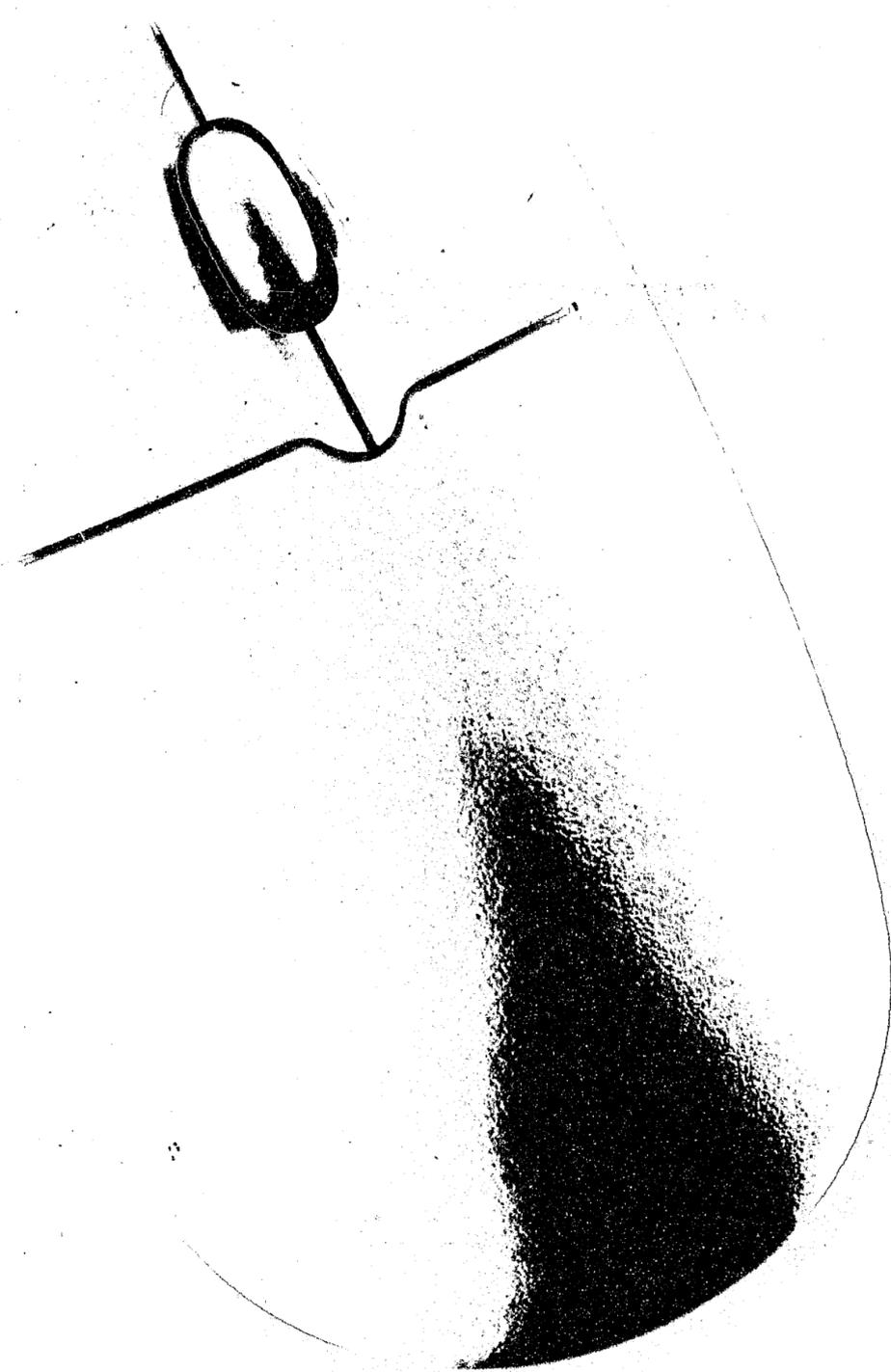
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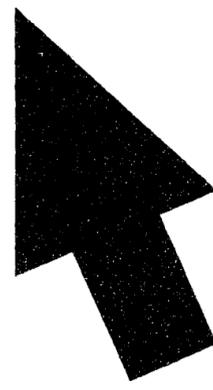
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