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Mescaleros reclaiming Apache language
by Dianne Stallings
Ruddoso news staff wrtiter
$\bigcup_{\text {the Mescalero Apache }}^{\text {nlike many other ethnic groups, }}$ the Mescalero Apache didn't face slow process of interaction with the Anglo culture.
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them. Their children were punished for They were told to discard their culture for something better. 100 years in reservation schools, in churches and in trade.
"In kindergarten, the teacher didn't want me to speak the language and we were punished if we spoke it.'

Rena Enjady,
Mescalero teacher
Apache was my first language said Rena Enjady, who teaches Apache to elementary school children in Mescalero. "In kindergarten, the teacher didn't want me to speak the spoke it It was hard to decide whe


Completing the cast


Workers at Legends Casting Co. in Ruidoso Downs pour molten bronze into the cast of a plaque to be mounted at the Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts.
Legend's husband and wife team of Rita and Rick Hadley worked day and night designing the plaque - a rush order as the theater's gala opening is this weekend


Aspenfest's theme this weekend: Art

Ruidosoans will hold their own "hometo
this weekend.
It's called Aspenfest and the theme is "Celebrating the Arts." A parade starts at $10 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. Saturday. The arts and crafts show will be open Saturday and Sunday. A state chile cook-off scheduled on Saturday.
All events will happen Sudderth Drive, from midtown to School House Park.

## Ruidoso will ask judge for opinion on garbage issue

- It the village loses rights to the
OterolLincoln County Landfill, city officials say, the cost of splitting from the waste authority would
BY TONI K. LAXSON
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After stewing for months about whether to leave the Lincoln County Solid Waste
Authority, the Ruidoso Village Authority, the Ruidoso Village
Council has decided to get a state judge's opinion.
"We have an issue over the landfill that if we are no longer members of the authority, then what is our price, where do we
bring our garbage and what is bring our garbage and what is
the tipping fee?" Village Manager Crary Jackson told councilors Tuesday night.
Whether or not Ruidoso Whether or not Ruidoso
will retain an interest in the will retain an interest in the Otero/Lincoln County Landfill


## SOLID WASTE

 village will ask of the 12 th District Court, Village Attorney John Underwood said. ${ }^{\text {Ruidoso will file a docu }}$ ment seeking a declaratory judgment from the court Underwood said.The document, a "friendly lawsuit, will ask the court to interpret the Solid Waste Authority s joint powers agreeguage and past business prac tices, Underwood said. decision when we make our some it will be based on guidance by the court itself guidance by the court itself, Then, "thos affected by our decision, ie
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Police chief denies man's assault claim

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} Fightouer is acoused of kicking stop to identity him.

Ruidoso Downs Police Chief David Hightower beat
and unlawfully arrested a Carlsbad man in July. the man's attorney says Attorney (rary Mitchell recently sent the Ruidoso Downs administration a notice that he may bring a
lawsuit against the village concerning a July 2 incident between his client, Steve Looney, and Chief Hightower and two other village officials. epends on how they handle this whole thing. And what the this whole thing. And what the said.
Hightower, who filed several charges against looney after the incident, said
Wednesday that he did not use



## Dowser divines spirituality in ancient practice

## by Dianne Stallings

Dowsers reportedly have been finding 1 underground water and minerals since biblical times.

But today's dowsers often are searching for much more than a water supply. disturbances in a person's electromagnetic emanations and in some cases, to locate tumors and help healing.
Terri Irvin, an apprentice dowser, intriguing mixture of homeopathy reme
dies, nature-based toys, soothing self-con taine
che.
She plans to learn more this month as she attends the fourth Southwest Conference of the American society of Dowsers Oct. 9-12 in Las Cruces. It will be her second conference with the organizaecause of the enthusiastic about going. because of the positive emphasis of the
messages she will carry home with her.
"We're not talking far out people here." she said at her shop in The Attic complex
on Mechem Drive "They are highly intelli on Mechem Drive. They are highly intell
gent, well-educated and open minded."

At first, Irvin like most people, asso ated dowsing only with locating water. The practice is based on the theory hat water passing under the earth creates electromagnetic waves detected by the dowser.

About three years ago, she
Serving as an assistant to a retired Air Force colonel in El Paso, she was exposed to spiritual dowsing and knew she had found something of value, although she

## Billy the Kid center



This is an artist's render ing of the front of the Billy the Kid Scenic Byways Interpretive Center. which is being buil next to the
Museum of the Horse. Museum of the Horse. is the builder. The center. scheduled to open in the spring, is federally funded and will be adminnstered
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Downs. See page $3 B$ fo Downs. See page
more information.

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## NEWSGUIDE

Ruidoso's Three-Day Weather OUTLOOK

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## L.C. SCRAPBOOK

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## Ruidoso News

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When talking of the
Corona school system, Mr. Parker emphasized first the hot lunch program. It was women of the community whe
belong to the extension club as The patrons, teachers and most of all the students are interested in the woodworking classes of the high school. There are 50 boys enrolled for this course, and 15 girls. Any girl who is interested and
shows an aptitude for this class may aptitude for this
chall class may enroll
enrolled in the home economics classes. The school promises they will be taught the things necessary ... to become a homemaker. Counting the coach, there are the Corona schools.

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## \$699,000 bid OK'd for high school roof



Ruidoso School Board members ruminated for about an hour Wednesday before agreeing on a bid of $\$ 699,000$ High School, a school official said.
"There's some pretty bad leaks over there in several areas," said Patty White, with the district's administrative age inside the building. So, age inside the building. So,
even though it's expensive, we need to take care of it."

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the four submitted to meet
GARBAGE: Village will go to court Continued from page 1A
the other entities in the Solid Waste Authority itself, will at least know that we have acted in good faiance" he said

The court will probably
respond to the questions within two to three months, Underwood said, adding that the time period will be much shorter than if Ruidoso had gone ahead and fhe Solid Waste Authority

The council's decision to
The councils decision to file tation by Al Junge on the Solid Waste Authority's history. Someone, he said, needed to urge the Village Council to pull out of the authority.
"Mayyor, you are looking at that person tonight," said Junge, Solid Waste Authority.

Jackson said answers about use of the landfill will be the most important in the Village Council's decision on whether or not to split from the Solid Waste thority
When the authority - a con sortium of local government entities in Lincoln County formed about six years ago, formed about six years ago, it jointly purchasing a landfill, Jackson said.
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Mr. Marcum was born Dec. 4, 1931, in Phoenix most of his life in the Flagstaff
ranger will lead the tours.
The arts and crafts show is
from 10 a.m. to 5 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The show sill offor
The show will offer cowboy coffee cooked over an open fire, All activities are free.
For more information, call Commerce at (505) 682 2733

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Ariz., area. He worked for many years for the Babbitt Mr. Marcum and his wife, Martha, moved from Flagstaff to Capitan survived by his wife, Martha; a son, Barge Thomas; Martha; a son, Barge Thomas;
a daughter, Londa Tyrrel; two grandsons and one grandgrandsons and one grandV. and Harvey L.; a sister, Maxine Schrup, all of Capitan; and a sister, Susie Cecil of Pinetop, Ariz.

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## Chino agrees with Gov. Johnson about gaming pacts


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water and land, they are non
casth being ronereratad at Indian cash heang gemerates

The tribes \%qint to apply the cash to the betterment of thibal Inembers, as required in Act," he said, accusing the legis lators of greed.

Trioal leaders want negotia tion with the state on the gaming compacts that would result in fair, elean, equitable and hon-
est gaming opportunities, he est gaming opportunities, he
said.

DOWNS: Police ehief denies that he assaulted man during routine stop

Continued from page 1 t ninecesisary force. chadid not do jaything hing I did is what I'm trained to do," hie said.
Looney 20 , contacted at his Carlsbad home, said he wer riding a bike along U.S. High when tow convemence siout him. Downs officials stopped the road and they tried to grab me and tried to jump me," a't do nothing wrong
"I stapped, got down on my knees and put my hand tower) tried to pull me up by my hands.'

Four witnesses, including Looney's mother and a sister said they were driving by and saw Hightower kick and knee Looney while the Loon
neeling on the ground.
Hightower disputes those statements and exid other witthat he did nothing wrong while arresting Looney.
As far as kicking him or kneeing him or anything like hat, they are malicious allegarons," Hightower said.

Ruidoso Downs Village Attorney Dan Bryant said allege officers did something wrong when they are arrested.

What we currently have is a criminal case against Steve Looney. He's charged with
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weapon, once Jasson Kinnicic; weapon, once Jasson Kinnialc, caught up with him

Hightower said he and Downs Fire Chief Nick Ferrera and Kinnick, both of whom were in another vehicle, initially tried to stop Looney to identify him. He had questioned Looney earlier that day about a bickup truck that may have Circle K convenience store the night before, Hightower said. Looney and three other men had been standing near the pickup, which had been parked nest to an apartiment building in the Inspiration fieighs subin
said, but a woman, Iontower said, but a woman, Looneys
sister, came out and said the car belonged to her brother.
"We ran a check on the plates of the vehicle and it did n't come back to the vehicie. It came back to a Mercury as opposed to a pickup," Hightowthe truck and left.
 one called in to say men were picking up debris that had spilled on the highway, and that they were concerned the men would be run over by traf
fic, Hightower said.
\% Where he guived, Fightavivfreconizer two of the men photwaie with Looney at th r. 4 And a third guy Steve Lonney came ridin through on a bicycle and lef with them," Hightower said. "I looked down the road and I taken the pickup that I had caken the license plate offo earier that morning parked "And since I hadn't: ideniti fied the guys from earlier that day, I decided I would go back (identify) them.
When he first tried to stop Loondy, the man had turne
onto Spring Street whe cam Shreet

He came riding past me on the bicycie. 1 thold him to stop He skidded the bicycle through n his way," Hightower said.
Looney, who said he was in town to help his mother move said the brakes on his bicycle weren't good and that he w
unable to stop on the slope. nabie to stop on the slope. He rode down the stree and turned a corner, where he his knees and put his hands behind his back,, Looney said.
Hightower, however, said Looney didn't stop even after he was on a level slope and that he at one point yelled at me." Hightower l.pussued Ldoney sexanalltuifins yand back to the highway, he said.
Hightower then asked Her rera and Kinnick to stop Looney while he tallsed to the
other two men, Hightower
said. "As they went by, they
yelled at him to stop again," he
said. yelled
When Looney didn't stop Herrera and Kinnicks stopped
their car and chased him Hightower said. When they reached him, "he swung at the corrections officer and threw his bicycle and hit the fire chief
with the bicyclen with the bicycle," Hightower was quickly caucht at off, but Street and the highway, Hightower said.
Looney was on his knees when Hightower arrived. "I told him he was under arrest for obstruciting an officer, resisting arrest and whatwhich time I grabbed his arm, twisted it and laid him down, on the ground. And held him there until we got some hand. cuffs and handcuffed him," Hightower said.
whether could not confirm whether Looney's arm had Loeney complained about the pain and was taken to Lincoln County Medical Center. for treatment.
"His arm, when I twisted his arm when he started to get up, his arm did twist easier said. "I went further up his said. ith went fuqther up his going, ihut there was no malicious intent on my part."
Looneys mother, Barbara Morales, reportedy saw the incident as she was driving
along the highway.

## "Ya, they watched it and didn't know it was me until they saw my face;" Looney

. His mother followed High-
Fis mother followed HighDepartment and requested at that time to file a report against Hightower.
"I instructed her that she could contact either the Sheriffs' Office, the state police or the district attorney's office," She called
She called the Lincoln deputy came to take her state itent. The Sheriffrs Office said it has turned the complain over to Scot Key, district attor-
ney for Lincoln and Oter ney for
counties.

No actions have been taken in the complaints against Hightower or the charges

Inst the tort n It the tort notice received by the village of Ruidoso was accosted said Looney bas acoosted, assaulted and arrested and imprisoned.
"I know what happened to my client. 1 know what eyewitnesses say, and I know that it was not good, it was not han died right. And 1 know that ma Mitchell said.

Hightower said Mitchel, is sion ex
"But, what happened out
there? Doesn't give you the right just because you had a bad day to do something
somebody," Mitchell added.

Senator opposes plan to reclassify some slot games
Remposo News wighe
A charige in the definition of certain slot machines coul upset the balance among gambling compacts, euch a New Mexico, says Sen. Pete Domenici.

That's why the New Mexico Republican is backing an amendment to the 1998 Interi or Appropriations Bill that of gambling devices by the National Indian Gaming Commigsion.

The Senate adopted the Harry Reid in Nevada Se Harry a joint commisaion of House and Senate members is attempting to hash out a com promise this week, said Char lotte Hrncir, public informa tion officer for the gaming

The amendment stops any redefine gambling device Such definitions were set by Congress in the Indian Gam basis Regulatory Act and are th basis for existing Indian gam ing compacts with state gov
"As we have experienced in New Mexico, the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act: was difficult to apply in our state but it does draw some impo tions that are now undergtac by New Mexico trikes and the state government," Domenic said.
""What's disturbing is the distinct and likely possibilit that this reopened proces slot machines into Class II rather than Class III gaming thus removing slot machine from the more strict regulatio and control of the tribal-stat compacts.
 lic comment process that could result in the removal of slo machines from the strict regu lations envisioned by Congress under the system of tribal


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haps secondary", he said. If the vill second" he said If the village lost the right to ump in the landmi and had to pay a higher "tipping' fee, then Solid Waste Authority would be onsiderable.

Since April, village leaders have discussed leaving the often criticized Solid Waste Authority, which has been beleaguered by insufficient funding, equipment an acrimonious boand.

One major complaint of vil lage residents is that the Solid Waste Authority doesn't pick up forest debris, such as pine nee dles. Forest and wood debris is considered to increase the dan ger of foreat fires, forest_oficieg
seqid.
the Lincoln County Forest Healith Coalition, cautioned that the council should be taking measures to ensure that garbage collection in Ruidoso will be con , in the near futu

She said garbage pickups were being delayed in Ruridoso because two of the trucks were of commission tor repairs.
"How many more times until there's no trucks, and we are piled high in trash?". Dingman
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Pinetop, Ariz.

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## Chino agrees with Gov. Johnson about gaming pacts

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wants my opinion, Mr Babidt wants to be ceritanh thaty the
 eration for the New Mékico lindian tribess there muit be consistency with the federal law
relating to Indian gaming, Chino said.
Jusf as in the past, nonIndians have gone after Indian
water and latid, they are non

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 cash being generated at Indiansinnof, Chino said
Whe tribes yint to apply the cash to the betteriment of the Indian Gaming Requlatory Act," he said, accusing the legis lators of greed.

Tribal leaders want negotia tion with the state on the gaming compacts that would result in fair, clean, equitable ano hon-
est gaming opportunities, he est gaming opportunities, he
said.

Senator opposes plan to reclassify some slot games

## Robooso Nive quink

A change in the definition of certain slot machines could upset the balance amon states and indian uribes wit New Mexico, says Sen. Pete Domenici.

That's why the New Mexico Republican is backing an amendment to the 1998 Interi or Appropriations Bill tha
would stop any reclassification of gambling devices by the National Indian Gaming Commission.

The Senate adopted the amendment by Nevada Sen Harry Reid in mid-September and a joint commission of attempting to hash out a com promise this week, said Char lotte Hrncir; public informa tion officer for the gaming
The ame

The amendment effort by the commission to redefine gambling devices Such definitions were set by Congress in the Indian Gam ing Regulatory Act and are th basis for existing Indian gam ing compacts with state gov
in "As we have experienced Gaming Regulatory Act was difficult to apply in our state but it does draw some impo tions that are now understoo by New Mexico tribes and th state government," Domenic said. "What's disturbing is the distinct and likely possibility that this reopened process could result in the placing of rather than Class III gaming thus removing slot machine from the more strict regulation and control of the tribal-stat compacts."
The NIGC has issued new Fichemment process that coul result in the removial of slo machines from the strict regu lations envisioned by Congres under the system of tribal

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Wh rechentized two of the men Whecdenized two of the mom What wore with Looney at the gry "And a third gry, who was through on a bicycle riding with them," Htghtower said. "I looked down the road and 1 seen the pickup that I had taken the license plate ofr of about 100 yards down the road "And since I hadr't identified the guys from earlier that day, I decided I would go back (identify) them."
When he first tried to stop
ooney, the man had turned Looney, the man
onto Spring Street.
"He came riding past me on the bicycle. I told him to stop the intersection and continued on his way?" Hightower said.

Looney, who said he was in town to help his mother move, said the brakes on his bicycle weren't good and that he wa He rode down the He rode down the street and turned a corner, where he his knees and put his hands behind his back, Looney said.

Hightowver, however, said Looney didn't's stop ever, safter he was on a level slope and that he at one point yelled at me." Hightower s.ipursiad Idoney seversilytufins max back to the highway, he said.

Hightower then asked Her
rera and Kinnick to stop Looney while he talked to the
other two men, Hightower
said. "As they went by, they
yelled at him to stop again," he yelled
aaid.
Herrera and Kinntels dit siop, their car and chase biopped Hightower aaid. When the reached him, "he swuing at the corrections officer and threw his bicycle and hit the fire chief with the bicycle," Hightower said. Looney again ran oft, but Street and the highway, fligh tower said.
Looney was on his knees when Hightower arrived.
"I told him he was under arrest for obstructing. an officer, resisting arrest and whatnot. He started to get up, at
which time I grabbed his arm, twisted it and laid him down on the ground. And held him there unitil we got some haindcuffis and handcuffed him," Hightower said.
whether could not confirm whether Looney's arm had Looney complained about the pain and was taken to Lincoln County Medical.. Center for treatment.
his arm arm, when I twisted his arm when he started to get up, his arm did twist easier said. "I expent fuather up his said. II went fuzther upt his goingithut there was no malicious intent on my part."

Looney's mother, Barbara Morales, reportedly saw the incident as she was driving
along the highway.
didn't know they watched it and they saw my face," Looney

His mother followed Hightower and Looney to the Police Department and requested at against Hightowner.
"I instructed her that she could contact either the Sheriffre' Office, the state police or
the district attorney's office," Hightower said She called
County Sheriff's Office and a deputy came to talse her statement. The Sheriff's Office said it has turned the complaint over to Scot Key, district attor-
ney for Lincoln and Otero ney for Lincoln and Otero

No actions have been taken yet in the complaints against
Hightower or the charges against Tooney.
In the tort notice received by the village of Ruidoso Downs, Mitchell said Looney was accosted, assaulted and
battered and wrongfully batrested and imprisoned.
"I know what happened to my client. I know what eyewitneases say, and I know that it was not good, it was not han-
dled right. And I know that my dled right. And I know that my client suffered

Hightower said Mitohell, is
exth
 there? Doesn't give you the right just because you had a bad day to do something
somebody," Mitchell added.

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## OUR OPINION

## Spencer's promise

Personal journeys through the arts are just that very, very personal. "I krow what I like" says it all. That is why those of us fortunate enough to live in Ruidoso can feel particularly blessed this week, with an expan-
sion of our live-performance horizons to include the best, sion of our live-performance horizons to include the best,
whether it's classical, jazz, Broadway music, plays, ballet, stand-up comedians ... bartershop harmony.
Ruidoso for years has provided a venue for the best in a specialized kind of music (witness next week's Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium) and now there is something isn't to your taste, try next week, or the next; by next sum mer, every weekend will offer something new and different.

Needless to say, that sparkling white jewel on a mesa below Sierra Blanca, the Spencer Theater, will become another magnet for people in search of entertainment qual dard for the performing arts, and immediately will put an even higher shine on Ruidoso's sterling reputation as a vacation destination.
lonight's grand opening concert will be one all those attending will remember, and cherish, and tell their grandchildren about far into the next century.

The weekend ahead will be memorable, After all, it's the three-day grand opening of a striking new performance center offering the best to inaugural season-ticket holders and other patrons, and to the performers (few of even the biggest stars will have seen better amenities anywhere)

Decisions made early will have a long-term impact. priced tickets. And an outreach program designed to offer the area's schoolchildren another learning opportunity is a key element in the operation.

It is notable indeed that the first performance in the theater after the grand opening will include mores thany the ODC/San Francisco Dance Company, "The Velveteen Rabbit," Oct. 17-18

As venues go, the Spencer's seating capacity, a bit more than 500 , makes it an intimate one; it's clearly not designed or pack-em-in rock concerts for the thousands. (Not unless likely to see another Woodstock in Lincoln County.)

Jackie Spencer has promised to underwrite the operation of her jewel of a theater during that critical first year. She has recognized that a seed on fertile ground must be the people of the region can thank her

Yet we must not forget, as hinted above, that theatrical taste, as with any of the arts, is a very personal thing. The Spencer Theater is a statement in steel and concrete, absolutely reflecting the vision of a lady named Jackie Spencer.

Thanks for sharing, Jackie.

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## THE SILVER LINING

## The Van Winkles gather again

Years ago, my longtime
friend Pete Van Winkle invited me to the annual gathering of


## by Dan Storm


U
United State the Van Winkle clan, so that now I am sort of an adopted Ván
Winkle; and 1 feel very much at home at the
clan reunions clan reunions. to the Circle B RV Park in late September from
all over the
This year I met Robert Lynn Vain Winkle and his wife, Dorothy, fro
Washington.
Purcella and hisa came Tony Purce. Tony is a nis wife, KatherCounty, borm on his grandfather's ranch out near the Pine Lodge Road.

When the local country school closed down for lack of pupils, he went to school in The
The Van Winkles trace their ancestry back to the year
1631 when Jacob Van Winkle came from Holland to New Amsterdam, later called New York. Jacob had three so
Simon, Michael and Jacob.

## Killing cow eik doesn't

 provide any real benefit To the editor:(Something is happening) in this area that has not happened before. The muzzleloader to kill an antlerles animal!

As a hunter and a believer in the hunting process as a con-
servation tool, I am appalled servation tool, I am appalled
and angered by the forces which and angered by the forces which Hunting is in itself not an evil thing (in fact it is quite buit hunting and boing used herie for a purpose
for which they ere not intended. for which they are not intended. There are forces at work in
this area that would like the elk population to be reduced, apparently because it cuts into their certainly not the hunting population who want to reduce the elk numbers.
Elk are large animale and they cortainly impact the land on which they live, but I don't think that they can destroy enough fences, eat enough nuisance in the area arbund rant a general slaughter of the animals jusit to appease a few Ithins the

I think that it is important general to know what is going certeainly reduce the elll herds There will be fewer calves borm,

The magic violin'
During the afternoon of violin music sweet strains of gathering of Van Wiakleng. The violin turned out to be one that once was played in the orchestra of the
er.

It originally was owned, by has been handed down through five generations in the family John, Archie, Oren (or Red), and the present owner, Ann Van Thisle Bradley.
right spots in the yene of the the mountain land.

About 250 people came from places , mostly. in Nouw Mexcico Texis', Aricend and Oklahomation this year Sept. 27 and 28 . this year Sept. 27 and 28. are held at various times year throughout the United States, notably in Dallas and Lampassas, Texas.

## Covered wagon caravan

In 1886 twö Van Wirikle ourneyed by covered wagon from Lampassas to Weed, N.M. near Cloudcroft. These brothers were the great-grandfathers
Pete and John, respectively.

## YOUR OPINION

(cows, bulls and calves). It has o get the elk herd population up to the point where it is today We have paid conservation fees taxes, and frustration so that we could increase the numbers of elk in this region, and now they the herds and move back in time.

Imagine the ridiculous cirumstances of this situation: We pay for habitat improvement to and then when we get more aninals we feel the need to reduc ne number so we. allow th
er animals to be killed.
I don't belieye there are too hem .in tone (too many) or even like Colorado. We have not seen the game department increase the not see the number of ell ecoming unreasonable.
I spolke to a conservation fficeer and he told me that most of the officers in the Department of Game anid Fish do not agree with the antlerless hum in this in regional meetings and they are tired of fighting against the constant complaining of a small but vocal group of land

There are evidently not inough hunters at these neet thes hunting process. If there are to
an trome private or protected

Pete's people stayei in Weed, while John's family moved, first to haswell and to Capitan Mountains, where they were long prominent in rainch.
ing. Th
The journey from Lampassas, as Pete says, was made by it was of the brothers and their families.
Pete was boin in Weed on Van Winkle He Garl and Anna Weed High Sch graduated from Weed High School and says the
original homestead still is in the family.

## family

Americay Pete is owner of.AllAmerican Puidoso, and and keeps in


## October arrives

This is being sent to you in from from the light blue sky, the sunny weather you would not think we are one day away from October, the montin of Indian Summer. By the time this reach-
es you, we will be over into Oct. es $y$.
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thank the Lord for the arrival of blue and gold October, and ail our other many blessings.
to be made available to more of the general public in the tradimechanism of hunting.

Letting hunters into these areas will not destroy them look at the public lands as evidence - and the animal populations will be controlled in the areas where control is needed and not on there pubuite well, where we are "doing qu"

It is my hope that mos hunters will see the need to hunters will see the need to prosinote the the contintied increase in ... numbers by not killing the cows.

I know that some of the people who hunt will kill a cow ell out of real need, and thiey are certainly entitled to make
I want to ee the 14
I want to see the elk popuan increase in the numbers of licenses each year and l want to benefit the environment for wildlife, and in order to acoom. plish these things I helieved must decline tave till



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Mennje Davis


GIEncioe
Center for the 8th Annual incoln County Cowboy Sym In their own musical epre, the hikes of Hank Eldon Shamblin and Junior Brown cast shadows as big as any perforsner, anywhere: A special section in today's Allsup and Shambling abe's an honored guest along with songwriter Cindy Walker), but there's little more than pic ures of Thiompson and Brown

Here's something more:
Thompson's record sales have topped 60 million around
the world. His was the first the world. His was the first play Las Vegas. The Hank Thompson Show was the first color broadcast of a variety hon television.

Billboard Magazine voted Hank's band, the Brazos Val ley Boys, as the No. 1 country rupning Han of guitar legend Merle Travis were among the creators, be
And Thompson and his band still perform over 120 bad for a 71 -year-old.
Thompson in August released a single with Junior that teams Thompson with the likes of Lyle Lovett, Tanye Tucker and Kitty Well

Brown, say Lincoln Coun behind the Sympoisium from the begimning), is a risingstar
in the field. He's already had three "Gramimy" nominations and in 1996 his "My Wife Thinks You're Dead" won the Music Video of the Year Music

Brown is backed by his wife. Tanya Rae, not only on rhythm guitar; sh

So far this year he's had Wo No. 1 videos on the Nashville Network (it's on
local cable, Channel 14). He's also released what USA Todey calls his first "big-league album, titled "Semi-Crazy. That follows a rising vide titled "Venom Wearia' Donim. (Someday somebody will get a PhD degree for a disser-
tation on just how musicians tation on just how musicians song titles.)
Hoth of thiese performers Wif Both of othe the per permers that tribute performance at Glencoe on Thursday, Oct. 9 at 8.p.m. As noted, Thompson he
an impact on rock ' ${ }^{\prime}$ 'roll. an impact on rock 'n' roll. And musical relationships go on and on, becalise mu
a constantly evoliving artz Constantly evolying arti guenaig Band is ond of the ghateduled performances at th Spencer early next year I Gting bith memoriedy Charlie: niluencera
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MESCALERO:

Gaines, holped meleath to read the language" Eried said. She returned to Poadhe lan guagein inth graderonh hor down, out Mescalero chilaren now are ar through the tifloal echiool syt tem.
Today, Mescalero schools
ncourate thes tise of Apacthe encourage the cise of Apache and have thiured four teatchers and appointed Lgnette Kamseah ram And thimks to a 1 is pir ion grant, school officials wil egin to integrate its use into the totial cuiticulum and to olve parents.
Gorbld Gray, Mescalero school siuperintendent, said the grant is to be Apent over a pericomes froto the Bilingual viducation Offict of the U.S. Deparit ment of Education, commonly called Title VII. include:

- Hiring counselors to work with "at risk" children on the erge of failing a class, a grad formance level on a test
- Starting Apache language classes for teachers, possibly adult education Apache classe for parents and other triba members and a college credit coursuing etucation degristant - Bringing in cultural suitants to talk about the Apache language and culture. - Using $\$ 5,000$ this year to develop an Apache language test, with consultants testing students.
encouraging them to parents and encouraging them to involved in the program. things tie into this grant," Gray

Some non-Apache teachers already are learning Apache to use in their regular classes. One sat in on Enjady's second-grade classes, realizing he needed to Anort at the elementary level different lessons to use in her classroom.

Cuture, language -Bonina Dell Oxtaga has Apheen been teachin Apache longer than an the Ruidoro sighool die trict, then oterting in system.

Younger children are easier to reach, especial ly befone fourth grade,
ghe saidi: By the tirey reach high school it's difficult to capture their interest. Often they have heard the language from their grandparents, although few fegi confiin class.

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Her parents and grandparente always spoke the time she was in her teens, she had aband "I wanted to respond, but when I tried snd said. At first when I tried and said things me. But when they knew I was sericus (about learning), they helped me.
ily felt I was part of the family after that. I feal like that today. I feel good that I can and I can understand the elderly." ${ }^{\text {and }}$ She
She tolls her students they are learning with her and that overyone wil make mistakes.
"I tell them it is not painful to make a mistake, that is how you learn," Enjady said.

She has discovered one of the fastest ways to dispel their shyness is to bring her grand-
mother into the classroom. It mother into the clasgroom. It all are calling her grandmoth-
er. Enjady teaches children the same way she taught herself:

She starts, with the names of animals, weather terins, questioning words, then social greetings and responses. speaking Apache on the play-


Teacher Bonvia Deit ortega shows Mescalero high school students the fine polnts of sticching during one of her classes that focus on the Apache language and culture.
ground, she feels rewarded. It's not just the children who are eager to learn, she saia. Parents have attended classes with their children or come to he school to ask Enjady about tion. Some are looking for help to learn to read and writ Apache, although they may speak the language well, she She
She welcomes the questions nd tries when possible to get 'I think the child proud to see their there," she seeid. "A lot of the children have very young parents, so many don't talk the lan guage, but they are willing to Teaching duties are divided up with Enjady handling preschool through second grade Della Simmons taking third through fifth, Zandra Smith heaiding clasises sixth through eighth and Ortega at the hig

When Otera was
When Ortega was Erowing
, Apache still was the first up, Apache still was the first
language in many Mescalero homes.

She heard two different dialects in herr own home,'Chir Bua and Mescalero
But in school, only English was permitted
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Ruidoso from about the third to eight grade, we were forbidden along, with our ne Hisive tongue dren,', she said "iff were sent to the principal's

## Timing critical

"People are losing their language so fast now, I feel we're at a critical stage,' Ortega said. She spent the last two summers at a linguistics school in Arizona where she honed her
skills and was rewarded, along skills and was rewarded, along mate, with high praise from their professorir on their final project.
Murther ahearo appearis to be further ahead than most tribes in its effort to recapture its language, based on what she saw the Navajo led everyone else, she said.
"Some tribes only had one or two speakers left," she said. "They. were trying to record and interview the ones left
But in Mescalero, a generation of grandparents who
speak the language still is in speak the language still is in in children young eenough to absorb two languages.
Hearing the language at home gives constant reinforce-
tage'
only for a few hours a week in school requiring gimes each session reireshing their memonew information, she said.
Ortega looks ward to the ambitious goal of integrating Apache into the full curriculum, just as she has used cultural lessons in her language classes to illustrate science, geog-
raphy and other disciraphy and other disciApache practices, such as the use of the yucca plant for fiber, for food, medicine. medicine,
have developed," do, I
have developed," she
said of her class lessons The approach shows
the same determination she exhibited when she taught herself to read and write Apache.

## The language

Apache is part of a group lumped together as Southern Athapascan linguistic stock according to Ruth Underhill in

Chiricahua and Mescaler Apache are and Mescalero Navajo, while the Jicarilla and Lipan Apache are linked with the Kiowa as Eastern Athapas-
${ }^{\text {can }}$ with its three tones which can give different meaning to the same syllable, is spread widely hroughout western Canada in Oregon and Californis and great detached fragment in thi Southwest," Underhill wrote

Three dialects exist on the Mescalero reservation - Mes calero, Chiricahua and Lipan. Ortega teaches a general Apache and that can be diffivariations can drastically alter the meaning of a phrase or word she said.
her Whers ine is criticized for her choices, she invites her critics to class to help teach the variations. But most tribal
see what their children and grandchildren are doing. "Some call me, because they have forgotten a certain mal," she said.

Some features of the Apache language include:

- Depending on how a verb is pronounced, it can cover the tense, time, action, the listener and some times, the number of people.
three or phe plural indicates three or more people while the - An "" with a through it stands for a sliding 'T" sound, a glottal sound that is a difficult, but characteristic, part of the language.
- Tone shifting also can change the meaning of a phrase or word.
mother and grandfather are mother and grandfather are cifferent on the maternal and paternal sides of the family because they are conisidered to be the same as a person's other or sister.
Although no one contacted knew who was the first person to putt the spoken language into work was related to churches

Evelyn Gaines worked on a hymnal and in 1982 three women and consultant Scott Rushforth produced the first dictionary for the tribe.

Evelyn Pellman Brenember was a tribal council member at the time and Mescalero to put together their own dictionary instead of letting others do it for them. She received money for the project from the tribe and enlisted the help of Ellbys Naiche Hugar curator of the Mescalero Cul tural Center.
Work now is in progress on a medical dictionary by anothEnjady has one goal for the Apache language program. 'I will be happy when all of the children are able to speak


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DOWSER: 'I think sometimes, it's just in the word, the touch,

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 does not try to pinpoint the source of the power.But Jeanne But, Jeanne Marie Gehringer, who cofounded the Dofin Ana Dowsers and is one
of the organizers of the annual Southwestern of conference thinks the answer lies in the subconscious mind. The conscious mind represents only a trickle of information available she says.
being, she says son's subconscious is tied into an unimaginable network of knowledge known as the universal consciousness.
To connect the two and allow the conscious mind to dom, a conduit must be furnished and that conduit is known as dowsing.
"Four kinds of instruments are used in dowsing," Irvin

The traditional divining rod is a tree branch in a "Y" shape, more and more to the use of brass " $L$ " rods, often in pairs, but sometimes, using just one. Others prefer a pendulum, which can be as simple as a as attractive as a pear-shaped crystal on a brass chain.
The fourth is a bobber, sometimes shaped like an acorn, and usually suspended from a flexible rod made even more responsive by a coil. ter," Irwin material doesn't matter," Irwin said. "The L-rods Irvin believes in the theory at people are surrounded by their own electromagnetic energy, or aura; and that the energy has been photographed uising a method called Kirilian photography.

When a person is ill, upset or otherwise out of synch, the field reflects the imbalance. A

 shop on Mechem Drive, and is a spiritual dowser who will be attending a Southwestern conference of dowsers in Las Cruces starting Oct.9.
dowser can measure the field to determine if it is evenly distributed or is lopsided. A spiritual she contends.

The success of dowsing depends heavily on whether the dowser has permission to whether the dowser is asking the "instrument," or the subconscious mind, the right quesion.
"Before you begin, you must determine which movement
will indicate yes and which will will indicate yes and which will
mean no," Irvin said. Next dowsers must ask if they have permissionts to underenergy is sufficient and if they are interfering with something they don't know enough about
become involved.
The question is posed as, "Can I, may I, should I dowse," If the the persons name. point, the procedure stops. any point, the procedure stops.
Questions must be specif Irvin said.

Two dowsers ran into trouble when they asked about a measurement in feet, without specifying they were referring to a 12 -inch measurement and not the length of their own feet, she said.
In balancing a person, Irvin calls on the East Indian belief in the bodys seven chakras or help her restore psychic equilibrium.

Irvin is undaunted by skeptics. The importance of what she, as a fledging dowser, and
ther extensively trained dowsers do is tied to the use of positive energy and the intent said.
Smithsonian magazine has written about dowsing. And researchers, at the Ozark among other things, are trying to document results of spiritual and physical dowsing, which ncludes some claims of healing practitioners.

I'm more interested in the spiritual side and have been all my life," Irvin said. "It was just nine to do. That's why It in into mine to do. That's why Im into That's why I'm a neural linguis tic practitioner and that's why I try to balance people, because it kes then feel better.
"I think everyone is in need

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The latest additions to the Spencer staff are Bob McNamara of Ruidoso, Rob Goss from Idaho and Johnnie King MeNama

McNamara has been named patron services mamager. He spent five years with
Cattle Baron Restaurants working at siv of the eigh locations in New Mexico and Texais. Most recently he was the manager at the Farley'
Food Fun \& Pub in Ruidoso. He is an honor Rraduate New Mexico Military Institute and studied hospitality and tourism at New Mexico State University. At NMSU, he worked with the Pride Band King is a native of this King is a native of Mhis co State University in Alamogordo. She is the Spencer's new Procurement Officer, assisting business directo Charles Centill with purchas ing and accounting.
och director and stagencer er, served two tours as a medic in Vletnam. A native of Baltimore, Goss has been working professionally in live theate for more than 25 years, includ ing stints with Arena Stage, Banta Fe Opera, pearean Festival.
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## Cavemen to come calling for Warriors


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Thought the Cavemen are struagivig through a disap this season Carishod had no trouble with Luvington, hand ing them a $36-20$ defeat. Tovriors 2814 on Sept. 5 .
Regardless, Carter tis opti-
mistic. Last week in the War mistic. Last week in the War-
Hiors' $2 \%-14$ victory over Portioles, offensive coordinato John Roberts offeense turned in a solid attack, racking up an impressive 440 yards in total offense. The offense is starting to gime for theín to learn the veer system. Now it's paying off," Carter, said.
Indeed, the Warrior offense - at least against Portales coulced, 222 yave been more bushing and 218 passing. In other words an offensive coach's dream.
In the Portales game, Carey Saenz, Brett Meyer, Adrian Herrera and Josh Varnadore turned in strong performances for the Warriors Var-
nadore caught seven Saenz asses for 144 yards and one

But what about Carter's
Former Green Bay Packer offensive guard Fuzzy lowing quip about the thank lesisiog of the offensive line ${ }^{\text {m }}$ I Hifter were alive, he'd be hid ing someplace as an offensive

Carter had high praise for

his "anonymous" offensive line whole line pleased with the Whole line-Reny Readhead, Keith Bassett and Casey Turn ar. They all played good games. Theyre executing real-
ly well. Were not blowing many assignments," he said. Defensively, Carter com Meyer, Miller and Clint Eid son, who stepped in at tackle for injured Adam Cano.

The Warriors have had some penalty problems of late. In the Portales game; two 15Yard penalties helped the backed up against their own goal. But Carter believes his team's hot-headed days are
${ }^{\text {over. }}{ }_{\text {iIn }}$ the Portales game a lot of that was frustration, but we've got it straightened out," he sion
the New Mexico Activities
See warriors, page 2B

## RHS spikers put the

 brakes on losing skidSparked by Bailey Bishop's. riors. It took Ruidoso five big. hit in the opening game, games to dispose of the Bulla seven-match losing streak doge. The Warriors were mired Tuesday, sweeping the Artesia Bulldogs in three
games.
Games scores were 15-12, 15-13, are 4.7 overall. Ruidoso. overcame a shaky start midway through the first game when Bishop put away a Fran Warrior co "She hit a lot ore that night. She really put St. Pius Tonight, they face hel put Sius, and Saturday they lot," Webb said of Bishopps play "They (the players) would get kind of down but they were it, which in the past we haven't.". Webb said. past we Mandi Lewail turned in a solid performance. "We played really well," fired up The girle were, real fired up, and we had a gr
Artesia and Ruido mot in
dating to Sept. 13
"The girls were there they started the nosedive at the
Roswell
Tburnaand we had a to ride the momentum all the way to
Albuquerque. The a lot"

Warriors leave at yball coach back-to-back match-

## Listening plus running equals success for Warriors

by Laura Cirmer
Two weeks ago, Huidoso crosi country coach Ronny Miaskew challenged his Warrioris to listen to what he said and then exectute it on race ${ }^{\text {day. }}$
formances on the Warriors' recent perThe Ranidoso boys twite inave finThe seconid Bince theni, with the fints taking a giver of their own in Robyell The Warinars only niemesis of litite has been Hobbi, a Crasi AAAA zchiool Chio Invitational on Sept 20, and then
again at the Clovis Invitational last $>$ CLOVIS RESULTS, 2B Saturday, "Theyve been doing real well," Maskew said. "They"ve been doing whith they were asked to do, and its Not showing in their times. Not only that, the Warriors have to get ahead of the pack
Good starts are critical if the War fort hope to finish wisil at thein neid neet, Saturday in the Luifbock Invitahofole The Labbock race wil diraw Sorat 300 ruminers in each division Takkow baid, Fe expects 70 teamb in drith this meet its

## that they, get up in front and run

 because itt hard to pass 300 other runners," Maskew Baid. "You've just got to get out and fight your way to That'on its starts all week in practice The Warriors will leave today for the Lubbock meet. Race time Saturday is 8 a.m. Course length for the giris is two miles, the boys cover three nilles. In New Mexico high school
crioss count the gifle and boys both run three miles.

Ruidosos girls will be in full force for the Lubbock race. Frica Romero returns after missing last week's Clovis race because of attending a church ference.
Daberit Comanche and Collin May pace the Warrior boys. Senior Kyle Sparks has run well lately, finishing "It was the best race he's ever run in his life," Maskew said.
"They kids have been working real hard the last couple of weeks. I really don't have any complaints,"
seid the Warrior coach. "T'm pleased seid the Warrior coach. "Tm pleased
with them - not satisfied - pleased," he added.

Ever since Ruidoso cross county coach Ronny Maskew told it's the highway the Warriors have responded with strong back-to-back Rerformances. Their recent accomplishments include

- RHS boys second at both the Ros
tionals.
- RHS girls second at Roswell finishing in front of Class and Goddard Carlsbad, Clovis and Goddard.

Scoreboard


## Volleyball Sept. 30

15-12, 15-13, 15-7.
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Rark Service in 1977 National eqative education trainee while attending , the University of topas at E1 Paso, where he earmed a bachelor's in biological ciences. In 1983, he received hi to Yosernite National Park in the same capacity. He since has served at Joshua Tree National Park, Sunset Crater National Monument and Big Bend National Fark in Texas. Most tad National Recreation Area.

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## County 4-H'ers win 40 ribbons at '97 New Mexico State Fair

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exhibits won first-, second- or third-place ribbons.
4-H members placing in the competition were:

- Audrey Thomas, Hondo - first place for "This is 4-H" painted T-shirt.
Dayid Sidwell, Carrizozo -specont place
- Ryan Gaines Camizozo econd place for Braiding I braiding board, cecond place for welding.
- Justus Wilson, Carrizozo - first place for photography, still life; third place for photog aphy, trick photo and secon place for wildlife poster
- Opal Greer, Carrizozo second place for "Fun with for cat physiology poster plac - Kayla Roberts, Capit third place for New Mexico Fla vor recipe box.

Mary Beth Shivers, Carrizozo - first place for dog care poster.

Jesse Ortiz, Carrizozo second place for Adventures rith Food peanut butter cook
scotch fingers. first plasey Hall, Capitan first place for Forestry; History of a Tree.

- Rhiannon Alirez, Corona belts; second place for Braiding III, belts; second place for Unique-
ly New Mexico corn tortillas. ly New Mexico corn tortillas. third place for Wood Science shelf; second place for saw blade holder.
- Patrick Hightower, Carrizogo -first place for leathercratt headstall.
third Clace McTliegue, Hondo third place for shooting sports poster.
third place for "This is 4-H" banner; third place for workbook.

Mary Beth Bond, Carri-zozo-third place for mix and match clothing shirt and blouse; second place for Braid ing Eli. Avi
first place for embroidery first place for embroidery

- Annie Greene, Carrizozo - first place for braiding exhib it board.
- Justin Armenta, Capitan - second place for wood science book shelf; second place for saw blade holder.
first place for Creative Itan

sun catcher; first place for Foods of the Futurre dried food poster; first place Uniquely ew Mexico pinata.

Dustin Sultemeier, Capian - second place for rocketry model rocket; third place for dvanced braiding Pig Bat.

Mollie Hightower, Carrizozo - first place for citizenship recycling poster, second place for Food, Frends and Fun pplesauce-oatmeal muffins.

Trenna Stephens, Capitan pickles.

- Dal Frost, Corona - fir lace for leathercraft belt.

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Members from the Southern New Mexico District will converge on Cafe Mescalero Oct. 11 to honor the founding of their Alpha Delta Kappa wa founded in 1947 by Agnes Shipman Robertson, Marie Neal, Marion. Southhall and Hattie Poppino. They saw a need to recognize and support the pro wornen educators.

More than 125,000 women around the world belong to Alpha Delta Kappa, seeing opportunities for recognition of commitment to educational excelence, for personal and channeling their energies for the good of schools, communities and teaching

Eta chapter has 35 members spread over Lincoln County from. Corona, Carrizozo,
Hondo, Ruidoso, and Capitan as well as Tularosa Capitan as well as Tularosa

Their activities, a primary county food bank, overnight packages to women's shelters, and collecting soup labels for schools to use in acquiring classrooms. * Chapter members annually support area graduates. This year, three $\$ 500$ schiolarships
were awarded to women seekwere awarded to women
ing educational degrees. educational degrees.
Eight Eta members attended the 500 th anniversary International Convention in Kansas City, Mo.
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Jackie Spencer, center, with architect Antoine Predock, left, and theater trustee Brian Seale, right, at the theater's "topping, out" ceremony last year.

## The jewel on the 嘴esa

## Jackie Spencer's performing arts theater exceeds her expectations

## by Dianne Stallings

Ruidoso News Staff Writer

Jackie Spencer likes to drive Sierra Blanca Airport Road at night to look at her $\$ 20$ million performing arts theater set to open today.
"If you drive out there after dark and they have the lights on, the lobby is the most beautiful glowing thing, like a jewel," she said Sunday. "It's just gorgeous."

The Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts isn't the first gift Spencer and her husband, Dr. A.N. Spencer, have given Lincoln County.
Their generosity started decades ago and has included a golf course, school building, recreation center, 10 -acre park and a pool in Carrizozo, and an annual July 4th fireworks display. They have been strong supporters of the New Mexico Symphony Orchestra and in the 1980s brought the group to Ruidoso for annual summer festivals But the spectacular theater certainly is the grandest gift and promises to bring the international world of theater into the benefactors' small mountain community.

Twenty years ago when Spencer was in Boston the idea for the theater took root during an outdoor concert in a park.
"I saw the people enjoying the beautiful music by the river and I thought here they're doing this in an ugly old city and we have this beautiful countryside where we live and it would be wonderful to have it here," Spencer said.

Although she prefers to stay in the background and let others do the talking, Spencer was enthusiastic Sunday as she described her search for the right architect, the process of designing the building and her choice of exterior stone.

After an unsuccessful first attempt to come up with a design by an architect inexperienced in theater construction, Spencer, the widow of the heir to the Wall Street Journal/Dow Jones publishing fortune, began talking to people in theater about architects with background in theater construction.

While a trustee of a theater in Palm Springs, Calif., Spencer found the right connection.

A friend of a friend gave her the name of Antoine Predock, because he also lived in New Mexico and had earned a top-notch reputation with his designs for commercial buildings and large theaters.
"I just called him out of the clear blue sky and asked him if he would do it and he
said he would," Spencer said. "He didn't know me from Adam and I didn't know anything about what he did. Isn't that funny. But I thought, if he was one of the top architects, he must be pretty good.

## A little jewel

"I asked him to build me just a little jewel of a theater," Spencer said. "I never dreamed it would be as artsy as it is. This is all very creative. This man is really a genius. He did things I couldn't even imag. ine. It turned out more beautiful than I thought it would be."

One of Spencer's requirements was for Predock to hide the traditional theater fly tower, where rigging for scenery and other functions are housed.
"That's why there's such a funny shape on the building," she said.

Predock asked Spencer what type of architecture she preferred.
"I said Egyptian and Roman were my favorite. I like the massiveness of it," Spencer said.

Following that lead, Predock created a 300 -glass-pane "jewel" of a lobby erupting from a mountain of mica-flecked white stone against the backdrop of the Sierra Blanca Peak.
"I fell in love with the Greek islands years ago," Spencer said. "They have flagstone streets and these little white-washed houses.'

They reminded her of the settlement at Hondo, only coming out of the sea instead of a valley.
"I adored that white look and that's why I wanted this white building," she said.

To create the look, 450 tons of limestone quarried in Spain and shaped in ltaly were imported.

## Performance selection

In selecting productions and performers for the theater, the board of directors, composed of the Spencers and several of their friends, preview proposals on video.
"Rand Harmon (executive director of the theater) is very understanding," Spencer said. "He knows I'm very particular about what we have in the theater. I don't want cheap, common things with a lot of vulgarity. l've seen some shows in the theater in California that I almost walked out of. I don't want to get that type of thing. I want things that are very artistic and lols of fun. I

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## Cloudcroft celebrates <br> Oktoberfest this Saturday and Sunday

The Cloudcroft will celebrate Oktoberfest with an arts and crafts show and aspencade tours Saturday and Sunday.
Smokey Bear will lead visitors to one of the most colorful spots on the mountain. Once there, visitors will enjoy cowboy coffee brewed over an open fire, lemonade, cookies and freshly picked apples while a ranger presents a nature talk.
The foliage tours leave three times a day from the Forest Service Maintenance building, located one block east of the chamber of commerce. Tours are slated for 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 3 p.m., Saturday and Sunday

The arts and craft show begins at 10 a.m. each day until $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.

## Local artist's work featured in show

Larry Davidson of Little Creek Pottery in Rancho Ruidoso Valley Estates has been chosen as a par-
ticipating artist in a national exhibition. The show, "Put a Lid On It," will run through Nov. 1 at Frog. Hollow at the Equinox in Manchester, Vt. The show is a multimedia group show of craft with tops including jars, boxes, containers and teapots.

The Davidson piece selected is an oval teapot with a Shino glaze. Though time consuming, making altered forms is gratifying to Davidson, as it produces a work that is not only functional but elegant. The Shino glaze was originally developed in the 1600 s for the Japanese tea ceremony. It has the texture and color of an orange peel. Davidson has used natural materials from the Capitan Gap to develop this glaze for use in his pottery.

Davidson's current work can be viewed at White Mountain Pottery and the Ruidoso Roastery.

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The Spencer Theater Board of Directors from left, front row, Katherine Finley, Jackie Corbin, Jackie Spencer A. N. Spencer, Jane McGuire, Carol Bayless and Jim Bayless; back row, Lloyd Davis Jr., Carol Singletary, Brian Seale and Tom Battin.

## Jewel: Theater is Spencer's latest gift to Lincoln County community

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want high quality theater."
The theater is incorporated as a non-profit enterprise, Spencer said. The board members serve as managers.
"My best friends serve on the board," Spencer said. "They're taking a big responsible. If I make a mistake, they're liable too. They're wonderful friends."

While board members deferred to her preferences for color selection in the theater, she will put aside her performance preferences to ensure that the theater appeals to a variety of tastes "as long as its decent quality," Spencer said.

However, she hopes in future to be able to schedule an annual barbershop quartet competition at the theater since that special brand of harmonizing is one of her favorites.

## Operation and support

Twenty years after she first sat in the park listening to the Boston Pops orchestra perform, Spencer has brought the experience home.

The west side of the theater will be flanked by terraced gardens accommodating as many as 600 spectators for outdoor concerts.on a 62 -foot-wide stage.

She's brought the water too. On the east side of the building, a stepped waterfall will cascade into a pond.

Inside, the mammoth 49,475-square-foot building will transform into a more personal experience, seating 514 people, none farther than 57 feet from the stage.

To date, 475 charter members, paying between $\$ 250$ to $\$ 3,000$ a year, have signed up throughout the

state and beyond.
And Barbara Sparkman, theater marketing director, is optimistic that in spite of holding down the price of tickets, the Spencer will match the sales record of other similar non-profit performing arts theaters in the country.

According to information from the National Endowment for the Arts, most performing arts theaters anticipate that about 45 percent of the operating budget will be covered by ticket sales, Sparkman said.
"We'll also go out after corporate sponsors, private supporters and we already have applied for state grants," she said. "But I want to keep a segment of the tickets for each performance affordable (\$8 to $\$ 12$ ). I don't want any mother thinking she can't take her child to the theater."

Spencer also will be there to help fill in financial gaps in the first year's $\$ 2.3$ million budget.

True to her commitment to community, especially for its young people, Spencer and her board also want to emphasize programs that will take theater into the classrooms and bring children out to performances, including an apprenticeship arrangement for high school students.


Albuquerque architect Antoine Predock outside his latest creation, The Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts.

## Antoine Predock drew his inspiration from Sierra Blanca

by Julle Baxter
Vamonos Staff Writer

Antoine Predock speaks a language of angles, shape and form - and his latest creation speaks volumes about architecture as art.

Predock is the architectural mind behind The Spencer Theater - a majesty on the mesa.

One of the best in his ficld, Predock said he used the site in the shadow of Sierra
Blanca as a blank slate - a slate from which the Spencer emerged.
"The building, physically, has a lot to do with the very specific context of that site," Predock said. "My first impression of this wonderful, kind of alpine meadow; it was so amazing."

Sierra Blanca itself served as inspiration, as well as the input from Spencer Theater benefactor Jackie Spencer.
"The site is totally frontally engaged with that mountain, not to mention the Capitan Ridge and the very sculptural terminus basically to the east of the site," Predock said. Really, the magic mountain is Sierra Blanca, so there was a very compelling magnet the building is drawn toward visually.
"(Jackie Spencer) stated very simply she wanted, and wants, and will have a worldclass facility; one that doesn't become simply a regional play house, but really has a potential for connecting with culture global-
ly. With that kind of vision and passion, you know she's an enthusiastic woman. She doesn't mess around when she's on the track of an idea or a project. So I thought that was pretty infectious."

The creative process started for Predock with that first visit to the site, and then continued with clay. He worked the clay model into the wedge shape of Spanish offwhite stone which now stands on Sierra Blanca Airport Road. But the theater is more than a wedge. There's slope and line and angle all blended to create a unique building.
"The early stage of making a building, of making art, is a little mysterious," he said. But the mystery led to the shape and the facets that Predock now beams with pride over.

Predock said the role of the theater helped him further his vision. Not only will it house world famous acts, it will also house the patrons and the supporters who seek more from performances than entertainment.
"A lot of it is seeing and beingreen," he said. "The entrance, the ceremony, the vibrancy - it's way different than going to a movie. And it's not that it's formal black tie. Sometimes there's just something about live performance - artists interpreting other artists work in a face-to-face situation. There's magic in that."

The experience of theater is reflected in. the lobby area. Predock said thoughts of
theater lead him to visions of Andrew Lloyd Webber's "Phantom of the Opera" - specifically the chandelier in the opening scene. To convey the sense of awe he has for that scene, Predock transformed the lobby into a room of crystal and light.
"The chandelier is a symbol," he said. "But this is a modern building. We're not going to hang chandeliers all over the place. How about the lobby becoming a chandelier? A faceted, crystalline realm where you almost feel as though you were entering a realm of light and crystal; like occupying a chandelier."

He credits his crack team - senior associates Geoff Beebe and Douglas Friend, and his studio staff of 16 - for making the Spencer the glimmering jewel of architecture that it is. And he gives plenty of credit to Jackie Spencer, her husband A.N.
Spencer and the theater staff
"It's been a great adventure working on it," he said. "Jackie Spencer is a dyiamo, a force of nature and a challenging client. And Dr. Spencer, A.N. Spencer, is very quiet, but has very penetrating insights about the reality of doing this proposition. So that part has really been a great adventure.".

And if you ask Predock where the Spencer ranks in his long list of architectural accomplishments, he'll answer, "Way up there."

## BLUEPRINTS

Antoine Predock is a graduate of the University of New Mexico-Albuquerque and Columbia University in New York. He has been the prinicipal of Antoine Predock Architecture since 1967. In that 30-year span his works have included the New Mexico Hispanic Cultural Center in Albuquerque; the Museum of Science and Industry in Tampa, Fla.; the Arizona Science Center in Phoenix; the Palm Bay Hotel, Convention Center, Casino in Agadir, Morocco; the Thousand Oaks
Performing Arts Center and City Hall in Thousand Oaks, Calif.; the American Heritage Center and Arts Museum at the University of Wyoming in Laramie; Hotel Santa Fe at Euro Disney in Paris, France, and the Institute of American Indian Arts Museum in Santa Fe just to name few.
Predock also has written many books on architecture, received numerous awards and developed a loyal following across the country and the world.


# Who really cares about Opera? 

The final episode. In our last chapter, Elspeth and Cap have uncovered a government conspiracy of galactic proportions. At the entrance of an old mine, they hear someone.

## Final chapter by Judith Timmons

TThe cry startled them both. Cap ran to the edge of the mine and yelled, "Who is it? Who is there?"
There was silence for a moment. Then,
"Cap? Detective Maxon? Is that you? I'd come say hello, but I'm a bit tied up at the moment."
Cap couldn't believe his ears. "Denis? Denis Haynes? You're supposed to be dead?!" He said gleefully.
"Hey! Is that anyway to speak to a corpse? ' I'm as alive as ever."
"He's alive!" Cap grabbed Elspeth and did one turn around a manzanita bush. "Denis is alive! Now we gotta get him oul of there." He turned back to the mine. "Denis, any ideas?"
"Yes. See the clump of bushes to the right of the mine?"
"Yes. Actually I see quite a few."
"Well, if you look around them a bit, you'll find some pretty dank steps that will bring you down here."
"Okay, I found them," said Cap. He turned to Elspeth. "You want to wait here?"
"Not on your life!"
He pulled the Maglite off of his belt and swilched it on. The smell of damp earth filled their senses as they climbed down into the rocky earth. At the bottom of the stairs was a tunnel that wound around until it reached a small alcove, open to a large cavern above. Sitting chained to the side of the alcove sat Denis. His clothes had clearly seen better days and he smelled of urine.
"Sorry about this guys. Haven't had a chance to take a shower."
"Well at least you've kept your sense of humor: Nice place you have here," said Cap sarcastically. Denis had been chained to the rock wall but the chain was long enough for him to reach a table on which sat a meager supply of water and what appeared to be food in metal cans.
"You won't mind if I dont sit down?" said Cap.
Denis laughed. "Thanks! I needed that. How are you going to get me out of here?" Cap winked at him and pulled a lock pick from his belt.
"Aha! I see you came prepared."
"Don't leave home without itt" He
snapped good naturedly. "By the way," he said, turning to Elspeth, "this is Denis Haynes, the UFO researcher I told you about." He nodded towards him, "meet Denis of the late undead."

They laughed. The relief of seeing Denis alive put everyone in a good mood.

Then Cap became serious. "Why would they leave you alive, Denis? And why put you in this mine?"
"I've been trying to figure that one out myself. The only thing I can figure is that they thought they could use me for something."
"They can always use guinea pigs," agreed Elspeth somberly.
"Have you seen any of them?"
"Only the guy who brings the food."
"And who is that?"
"He never speaks to me. In fact, I have the impression that he may be mute. But I will tell you one thing: He rides a Harley. Cant miss that sound! And I can hear it echo in the cave from a mile away, I bet."

Cap gave Elspeth a knowing look. "I know what you're thinking but he's not with them. He's probably kept Denis alive and brought us here so we could save him," she said.

Cap 'harumphed' and resolved to get to the bottom of it later.
"Okay, Denis, I know you haven't sat up here the past few days doing nothing. If I know you, you've been thinking your. brains out! Whal have you come up with?" asked Cap. Suddenly they heard a loud creaking, scraping sound like the grinding together of large stones. "Come quick!" Denis, finally free from the chains, led them back out to the first tumnel and then down another further into the mine. They were staring out into an enormous cavern. He motioned them back behind some rocks where they could safely view the activity.

A rock door, the size of a mountain, was rolling open. From where they sat they could see into a gigantic room that looked for all the world like a modern assembly plant. But what was it assembling? Cap started to ask Denis if he knew, but the researcher had his finger to his lips. Cap heard the machine before he saw it. The machine lumbered out of the dark shadows of the cavern. 'Holy goodnight! What in the world ..."

Elspeth nudged him. "Shhhh."
They all watched as the machine moved through the doorway and then the rock wall closed as though nothing had ever been there.
"I thought that is what they were doing," whispered Denis.
"Would you like to enlighten the rest of us?" asked Cap.
"Ladies and gentlemen, you just saw the mysterious electrostatic fusing machine. Fondly known in UFO circles as the rock eater."
"What in the hell is it?"
"Its a piece of equipment developed by Farten Mureatic Corporation. It doesn't cut through rock; it literally implodes rock molecules into nothingness. You end up with walls as smooth as a baby's bottom. It's rumored to eat through six miles of perfect tunnel in a day!"
"You're kidding me."
"Serious as a heart attack," quipped Denis.
"Don't say that," said Cap, "I'm about to have one!"

Elspeth was looking at Denis, studying him. "Denis, I've actually heard of this but I thought it was science fiction. How far do you think this complex goes?

The researcher smirked: "You'd be surprised if I told you. Do you realize that Lincoln County sits on top of the largest underground cavern system in North America?"
"What about Carlsbad?" she asked.
"Our tunnel actually connects up to the Carlsbad site. And some part of our government, though I don't think anyone is for certain anymore which part or if it even IS the electedgovernment has made it bigger yet. I would bet a king's uncle that this particular complex goes all the way to Four Corners, New Mexico." "Where the rest of Area 51 was supposed to have been moved?"
"You got it!"
'"... and from Four Corners to their new headquarters."
"And just where might that be?" asked Cap.
"Ever wönder why it took so long to build the New Denver Airport?"
"What are you talking about?! What the hell has the Denver Airport got to do with all of this! The story was getting too far out to be believable and yet ..."
"I heard there were a lot of cost overruns and they had problems with baggage handling," said Elspeth.
"A total smoke screen."
"For something else then?"
"Yup! And for some reason they're not even very secretive about it. Either that or they really do think were too dumb to
notice."
Elspeth poked Cap. "See I told you so! Their arrogance has made them stupid! They honestly don't think we know what they're up to!"
"Do we?" asked Cap.
"Look, we probably shouldn't hang around here, but if you really want to know more about the Denver Airport, click on the News Desk button at the roswell.net site on the internet and you can read a chilling tale that I promise will knock your socks off, complete with pictures ... it's pretty grim though. You might find you'd rather not know. Most people l've turned onto it get pretty bummed out."
"Lets get out of here. I've seen all I want to see for the next hundred years."
As they made their way out of the mine, Cap said, "You know what really galls me is how they managed to hide that stupid city/base we saw that night."
"But Cap, we didn't SEE the base. We only saw the lights glowing up over the hill as though there were a city there. Remember?"
"Yes, but ..."
"We saw light; we didn"t see a city".
Denis reiterated.
"Okay, so what was the light coming from?"
"It could have been from anything. We saw the space ship. It could have come out of an underground hangar. They could have slid the top of the earth open and voila! Out flies your space ship."
"But what about Pablo's story of the prisoners building the city?"
"Oh, I think it is there all right. It is in those mountains and well camouflaged, but it just wasnt where we thought it was."
"Okay, since youre so good at this, what about the horses?"
"We found them, so they had to move them to keep you from proving anything. Thats all."

Too simple. Or too complicated. Cap wasn't sure which. But right now he wanted to find a quiet little restaurant and a roast beef sandwich. He was suddenly very tired and very, very hungry. It had been a full day and it was only noon. And his earlobe was throbbing. He rubbed it again. They had reached the top of the stairs when Cap heard the distinctive sound of a sidewinder missile sizzling through the sky in their direction. "Take cover!" he yelled, grabbing Elspeth and pulling her back behind the bushes and part way down the staircase.

The large boom that rocked the ground was followed by another and another until

Cap saw pieces of Caldo's truck go flying into the air. The rockets were small caliber; still, these guys were playing for keeps. Now how in the hell were they going to get down the mountain?
"Come on, we need to get out of here!" Denis said grabbing the Detective's arm. Under cover of brush they moved as quickly as they could, following the road down the mountain. Suddenly they heard the unmistakable sound of the Harley. Following him up the difficult trail was Caldo's old Woody. "What in the world?" said Cap. "Höw did he get that thing up here?"
"Quick get in!" yelled Caldo.
"How did you ..."
"Don't worry about that now, Bossman, just get your arses in here and let's get the hell out of here!"

They did as they were told. Cap looked around for the Harley but it was gone again.
"Oh, no." gasped Elspeth. "He's gone to draw their fire! They could still hear the explosions continuing at the top."

After they were safely on the way down the hill. Cap asked, "How did you get here?"
"Abe came and got me. Told me you were going to be in trouble."
"Abe?"
"Ya, you know, the guy on the Harley."
"But I thought Harley man didn't talk."
"Funny thing, that. He said everyone thought he couldn't but in fact, he just didn't want to. Found he could learn a lot more about people that way. Then when you guys got in a bind there wasn't time to play the game anymore. He's pretty fond of Elspeth there." Elspeth and Cap looked at each other in amazement.
When they reached Elspeth's place they parked the Woody in the barn and rested in Elpeth's sunny kitchen while she prepared roast beef sandwiches and Cap made the lemonade.
"How safe are we here do you think, Boss?" asked Caldo. But Cap didn't answer; he was lost in thought.
"Probably not very but what are we going to do?" answered Elspeth.

It was Denis who had the answer: "We aren't going to be safe anywhere until we get the story out. We've got to talk to the newspapers. They are the only ones who can save us now. If they print the story and everyone starts talking about it, then they won't be able to touch us."
"Of course, that is what my idea was when I had the horse and trunk with my grandfather's body placed at the Spencer Theater ... to get the story into the papers. Oh no! That reminds me!"
"What?"
"What day is this, boys?"
"Its Friday, October 3!"
"Oh, I knew it!" They were all looking at her perplexed.
"This is opening night at the Spencer Theater. We have to go."
They all groaned.
"You've got to be kidding," said Cap. "You have nearly been killed; found a live dead man; totally destroyed my life and you want to mosey off to a gala theater opening?"
"Aren't you being a bit melodramatic, dear," she said, kissing him on the fore-
head
"Besides the place has been sold out for months," chimed in Caldo.
"Don't worty about it; I have tickets for more than enoughi seats. I originally had big plans for this night, it's just that things got so complicated." She shook her head. "Sorry. I won't take 'no' for an answer. First of all, it makes sense that we stay logether until we finalize what we are going to do; secondly, being out in public will be the best protection yet; thirdly, Laura Clymer will be there. She's the editor of Vamonos. Shes a good friend of mine. Maybe she'll have an idea about how to write this story. And besides we could all use a little fun in our lives."

With that she pointed Denis towards one shower and Cap towards the other: "What about clothes? I'll need to go home and change."
"Uh uh. I have a friend who owes me a rather large favor. He can deliver enough tuxes for the lot of you. What are your sizes? I'll call him immediately. And Denis, don't you need to call your family and let them know where you are; that you're okay?"
Denis thought for a moment. "I think I want to wait another day until we have a better handle on things. I could be putting them in danger by even calling them."
"Good point," said Cap. "But I do have a few more questions for the lady."

They all turned and looked at her. "Who was killed on Monjeau?"
"My Dad," she said sadly. "I never realIy knew him. He left when I was a child. We never really knew what happened to him other than the story of him being abducted by aliens. Somehow it didn't seem so ridiculous anymore."
"Why do you think he was killed?"
"Oh, I know why. Remember, I told you that I had to find a way to keep them from coming after me after I escaped? Well, after the Pentagon briefing I just walked out of my hotel room and into oblivion, actually I spent the next two years in Europe slaying a step ahead of them and trying to figure out who them really was. When I finally decided to come back and fight, I did it by horse-napping one of their own and putting it along with my grandfather's skeleton in the old trunk at the Spencer Theater. Okay, my Harley friend actually did the deed, but they knew who was responsible. The idea was to go public, to get the information out there. I think they killed my dad and left him as a warning that I would be next if I didn't mind my manners. The problem is I don't care anymore. I want my freedom. It's what being an American is all about and NO amount of money can buy it. Ever!" Her voice faltered slightly. Then it became impassioned. "You know, they've given some of our National Parks to the United Nations? We no longer own them!!" The men looked stunned.
"You're kidding me," said Caldo.
"No way," said Cap.
"Way!" she said. "And that is only the tip of the iceberg! German soldiers are right now being deployed to major military bases all around the U.S." Cap thought about the ones stationed in Alamogordo. She was starting to truly scare him. "Why do you think that is?"
"I dont know," he said. "I just thought they were training."
"Why would the German military train HERE and we pay for much of it with our tax dollars? Think about it" she coaxed.
"I confess I dont know ... 'cause we're nice guys?" Cap said sarcastically. He didn't like where this was going.

She continued, "Because if you declare martial law and take over this country do you think you could trust OUR boys to kill their own brothers? Lock up their own grandmothers?"

A chill went up Cap's spine as he realized what she was inferring.
"Of course not!" She was almost in tears. "I've seen what they are doing, gentlemen. If I have to go to my grave to turn this thing around; if my life is required of me then 1 will freely give it!"
"I know what she is saying," said Denis. "I know and I concur. She recites the same" passion that brings me to this table. There is too much evidence that something has gone horribly wrong in this country."

Caldo looked at Cap. "You know, Boss, this one is a little too much for me. We were just doing our job; minding our own business and suddenly were up to our necks in a conspiracy way beyond ourselves. Who do we tell? Who can we trust? Wow. Nobody asked us if we wanted to be heroes after all."

Caldo's whining irritated Cap. "Do you think anybody asked Thomas Jefferson?" he snapped.

They arrived at the theaterearly and Elspeth sought out Laura Clymer immediately. They rushed to tell her the story, filling in as much detail as was possible in the little time they had.
"You know this is a little tough to handle, guys. I'm not sure anyone would buy it if we wrote it as fact. After all, what actual proof do you have? Even if we went up to the top of that mountain do you think they'd just come out and roll the rock back for us?"
"Open Sezme" laughed Cap understanding the reporter's predicament.
"But much of it is already documented," argued Denis. "What they found at
Roswell, the crash site in Arabella, the
R\&D, the Denver Airport; the German military; the rock eating machine; our vanishing National Parks ... All this stuff is in black and white!"
"And there is a whole lot more we haven't mentioned. But I do agree with Laura, it is a difficult pill to swallow for someone who hasn't had their life turned upside down by it. And there is always the fact that a lot of people just dont want to know," agreed Elspeth. "After all, Cap, would you have believed it if you tadnt seen it?"
"I would have thought you were all crazy. I'm still not so sure he was grinning at her."

They all stood in silence for a moment pondering the situation, then Elspeth continued: "You know, if we don't put the information out there in some form then we are doing the same thing they are doing."
"What is that?"
"Presuming that the people aren't smart enough to figure out what THEY are up to!"
"She's right. Besides this is Lincoln County, after all, the most educated, conservative, self-thinking, freedom loving, opinionated community in New Mexico .. maybe, the planet!"
"Listen guys, I've got an idea." said Laura, "something that might solve it all and get you out of the middle of it at least on the surface: How about if we write it as a serialized fiction story; put a different author's name on a chapter each week and see if we can't first seep the facts into the Lincoln County consciousness; then we leak out the fact that the story is true." Laura saw the look of disappointment on their faces. "We can change the names to protect the innocent," she offered.
"Wait a minute," said Denis," "what she is suggesting just might work! We'd be out of it!'And yet we'd still be able to get the word out. If it looks like we didn't go to the press, they may just leave us alone because we'll be insignificant. They must have bigger fish to fry than us. After all, they did not kill me. Though god knows why! And, as Elspeth has said, their artogance is their Achilles heel!"
"Just think if they had all of Lincoln County to deal with - not just you four."

It was a delicious thought.
"I know an island we could use as a safe haven for awhile if any of you are interested," said Elspeth fondling Cap with her eyes. He looked very handsome in his tux.
"Look, at least we could start it as a fiction story. It would be a forum for interest." Laura was convincing.
"I think she's right," said Denis. "But what would we call it?"
"Oh, I don't know - how about 'Who Really Cares About Opera.'" It was Caldo's turn.

Cap laughed. "That's a horrible title for a mystery story! Not exactly Sherlock Holmes or Miss Marple stuff, you know. Is that a book you'd want to read?"
' "Maybe that's the point: It's just awkward enough that somebody might believe there is more to it!"
"Sounds like you guys have your work cut out for you," said Laura. "Let me make some phone calls."

As the Lincoln County audience enjoyed the season opening of the magnificent Spencer Theater, the sound of a Harley could be heard in the distance; an enormous black object stole noiselessly into the night sly; a Lincoln County Detective scratched his earlobe; and ... somebody, somewhere rolled a page into a typewriter and wrote: "Chapter One ..."

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EDITOR'S NOTE: This was our first attempt - and hopefully not our last - at a writing circle. Thanks to all the writers who participated. We hope our readers enjoyed the story. Look for Cap Maxson and Caldo to return, and solve another Lincoln County mystery!


## Bentley's Brew Pub \& Paw

If you're pining for a pint of Old English Ale look no further than Bentley's. The Ruidoso brew pub serves up European and domestic micro brews and fine wines, along with some fabulous food. House specialities include fish and chips and steaks hand cut on the premises.

## Apache Tee Cafe

Looking for a meal with some atmosphere take the short drive to Apache Tee. Serving up steaks, seafood and daily specials created by chef Brendon Gochenhour and drinks from the full-service bar, the Apache Tee has the best view and the friendliest staff around.

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Fine dining in a casual atmosphere is what you'll find at Cafe Mescalero. Serving traditional Mexican food with a Southwestern flare, the Cafe has "edible art" by chef Anthony Carpenter for breakfast, lunch and dinner and fajita specials all weekend.

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Take a tasteful trip to Northern Italy at Che Bella with its selection of pastas, gourmet pizza, veal, poultry, steaks and fish. And once you've finished your meal, stay a while in the cigar and martini bar for a cosmopolitan way to cap off your evening

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## Dan Li Ka Dining Room

Elegant dining with fantastic views of Lake Mescalero provides the atmosphere at Dan Li Ka . The dining room also offers a Sunday brunch buffet and always has fine cuisine choices for lunch and dinner. And while at Dan Li Ka don't miss the decadent dessert and pastry menu.

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Phone: 258-5676
Address: 1200 Mechem
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For 30 years, The InnCredible has been treating diners to specials like Crabby Monday and Wednesday lobster, not to mention fresh fish, steaks, chicken, pasta, barbecue and more. In this business you're either great or you're histury - InnCredible is both.

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## Southern Accent

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Nadja Saierno-Sonnenberg performs tonight at the gala opening of Spencer Theater.


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Jazz great Dave Brubeck and his band will entertain Spencer Theater audiences twice.

# Stars to sparkle at Spencer 

Musical fireworks provided by violinist Nadja SalernoSonnenberg and jazz legend Dave Brubeck will mark tonight's grand opening of the $\$ 20$ million Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts.

What used to be home of the county's annual Fourth of July fireworks is now the home of Spencer Theater. Alto's A.N. and Jackie Spencer, who funded the Fourth festivities, provided the support for the theater, which Spencer calls her little "jewel."

Grand opening events begin at 7 p.m. with the ribbon-cutting ceremony. At 8 p.m., world-renown violinist Nadja SalernoSonnenberg takes the stage, followed by Dave Brubeck and the New Mexico Symphony Orchestra.

It's all just the start of a threeday gala opening weekend which concludes Sunday. Tickets for the weekend sold out in six weeks.

The Spencer Theater's inaugural winter season opens Oct. 17 with
"The Velveteen Rabbit" performed by OCD/San Francisco Dance Company with some help from local children. In all, 13 worldclass touring performing arts will visit Spencer in the next seven months.

The theater's summer season will be broader and more intensive, and run from mid-May through Labor Day.

Nadip Salemo-Sonmerberg
Regarded as one of the world's foremost violinists, SalernoSonnenberg has entertained classical musical audiences for more than 15 years. Known for her passionate interpretations, she has played with the orchestras of New York, Boston, . Philadelphia, Chicago, Cleveland, Los Angeles, Cincinnati, San Francisco, Pittsburgh and Montreal, as well as the London Symphony, Philharmonia Orchestra and London Philharmonic.

Salerno-Sonnenberg has been featured on CBS' " 60 Minutes" and "Sunday Morning," along with PBS' "Live From Lincoln Center, Backstage Lincoln Center."

Her unforgettable style and artistry has garnered SalernoSonnenberg a loyal fan base. Salerno-Sonnenberg was born in Rome, and emigrated to the United States at the age of 8 to study at The Curtis Institute of Music, and later studied with Dorothy DeLay at The Juiliiard School.

## Dave Brubeck

In 1996, jazz pianist and composer Dave Brubeck received a Lifetime Achievement Award on the Grammy Awards. This is the latest in a long list of honors bestowed upon the 76 -year-old pianist, who began his career 60 years ago in the small town of Ione, Calif.

Youngest of three musical brothers, Brubeck was born in

Concord, Calif., on Dec. 6, 1920. His father was a cattle rancher and his mother a pianist and music teacher.

When he was 12 , the family moved from Concord to the foothills of the Sierras, where Brubeck's father managed a 45,000 acre cattle ranch. Young Dave wanted to follow in his father's footsteps and be a rancher. At the same time, the lure of music, and especially jazz, drew him to the piano and local dance bands where was playing professionally by his early teens.

In 1942, he entered the Army where he served under Patton in the European Theater. Upon his discharge in 1946, Dave studied composition with Darius Milhaud, the famous French composer, who was teaching at Mills College, Oakland, California. Brubeck and other Milhaud students began to compose and perform in an Octet, which recorded and received criti-
cal attention as an innovation force in jazz.

When the Dave Brubeck Quartet with Paul Desmond on alto saxophone was formed in 1951, the distinctive harmonic approach employed by Brubeck and Desmond, and their daring improvised contrapuntal choruses caused a stir in the jazz world, launching what later became known as "West Coast" or "cool" jazz.

The Dave Brubeck Quartet played in jazz clubs and toured with "package shows" featuring such artists as Duke Ellington, Charlie Parker, Dizzy Gillespie, Stan Gètz, and Gerry Mulligan.

Always expanding jazz horizons, Brubeck and his Quartet performed and recorded with Leonard Bernstein and the New York Philharmonic, as well as with legendary jazz figures Louis Armstrong, Jimmy Rushing and Carmen McRae.

## Theater reaches out

## More than performances slated for the Spencer Theater stage

by Jule Baxter
Varmonos Staff Writer
The Spencer Theater has quickly become a magnet for community attention, but it also hopes to be a magnet for community activity and interest as well.

Part of the Spencer's community outreach efforts will be to draw in the people of Ruidoso and Lincoln County, long before and after curtain call.

Margaret McDonald Lahey, community and education outreach coordinator for the Spencer, said those efforts extend to both children and adults. For children, the Spencer is opening its stage and its doors for student performances, class trips and presentations. For adults, the focus will be much the same.

Preliminary plans for Spencer's first season include pre- and postperformance lectures, curtain talks (which will feature a performer coming out to address the audience before the curtain rises), demonstrations, open rehearsals and a lot of other things, which Lahey said
are still in the works.
Other outreach efforts will be master classes and study guides.
The master classes will allow students from specific disciplines to come and study with masters at the theater. For example, a famous ballerina would take students through the paces, or a famous violinist would critique students' playing.

The study guides will include facts about performers, their art, and their field.

Lahey said she and the Spencer staff are excited about the prospects of the community outreach program.
"(A program like this) is important for the arts to survive," McDonald Lahey said. "People have to be exposed to them, enjoy them. It enhances audience appreciation. If they know what goes into it, how (performers) do it, the history of the company, it makes it that much more enriching and rewarding."

The outreach efforts don't end there, though. The Spencer is also opening its doors for community
events like parties, weddings and gatherings.
"There's not really a central place where people who live here can come together to have events, parties, celebrations," said Barb Sparkman, Spencer assistant director of marketing. "Some towns have town squares. There's not really anything like that here. One of the things about the theater is we want it to be very accessible to everyone in the community, whether they want to buy a ticket or not."

The public spaces at the Spencer were designed to house community gatherings, Sparkman said, along with majestic views and ample space for community and private events.
"We're hoping people will start to view the building as space that is available for their functions," she said. "We want it to be real flexible in terms of its use. It's such a lovely, peaceful setting, $I_{\text {just }}$ think people will enjoy all the spaces for all types of gatherings."


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Spencer Theater executive director Rand Harmon.

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## Did

## you know?

Fast facts about Spencer Theater

## THE BUILDING:

- Exterior mica-flecked stone was quarried in Spain and imported out of Italy. Total used: 450 tons.
- More than 1,036 tons of steel used in the construction. - At its highest point, the theater is eight stories high the tallest in Lincoln County. - Glass-domed lobby has 300 facets of glass hand cut at the site. It took seven months to computer model the structure. - Outdoor stage will seat from 700-800 patrons. Size of stage 964 square feet.


## THE THEATER:

- Construction started on the $\$ 20$ million facility Jan. 19 1996.
- Architect: Albuquerque's

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# Single tickets on sale 

Single tickets to all Spencer Theater Winter Season events went on sale Wednesay. The 1997-98 Winter Season features 13 world-class events at Lincoln County's new state-of-the-art, \$20 million performing arts center. Located on Airport Highway 220 in Alto, the sparkling white monolithic building is only 20 minutes north of Ruidoso. Single ticket prices range from \$8 to $\$ 32$.

Series tickets to the Spencer Theater Winter Season are still avail-
able, allowing patrons to save money

Auditorium purchasing tickets to four or more shows as a package. The Holiday Series is $\$ 100$ for tickets to "A Christmas Carol", Anonymous 4, "A Cowboy Christmas," and The Romeros. Or, families may take advantage of a full season of fun with the Family Series,
available for $\$ 75$ per adult and $\$ 28$ per child age 13 and under - the series features "The Velveteen Rabbit," "A Christmas Carol,"


## Quilters guild featured at Eagle Ranch

The Enchanted Quilters Guild of Alamogordo once again brings their delightful array of hand quilted items to the art galiery at Eagle Ranch during October. A teaching guild, formed in 1989, the quilters represent beginners, intermediate and advanced artisans.

The show is always a highlight at the gallery with dynamic designs, colors and superb workmanship. Quilting no longer is found only on those covers you snuggle under to stay warm. Wall hangings, ornaments, clothing, table top and, of
course, bedding are all part of the quilters handiwork.

One of the projects of the guild is making "care quilts" for the N.M. state police program. Members also assisted the girl scouts in making their quilt for the Vietnam Moving Wall.

A reception to meet the quilters will be held at $7: 30$ tonight. Refreshments will be served. Eagle Ranch Art Gallery is located at 7288 Hwy. 54/70 (the Tularosa Highway). Gallery hours are 9 a.m. to $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. seven days a week.

## INPROFILE

an interview by dianne stallings


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## rob goss

## spencer stage manager

Rob. Goss, 48, is tèchnical director/ stage manager of the Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts. Originally from Baltimore, Md., before before moving to Ruidoso, he was technical director for the Ellen Eccles Theater in Logan, Utah. He is married to Shari Goss and has three sons.

## a: What is your education background and experience:

A: I've been a theater technician since 1970, that's 27 years. That means I've been a carpenter and an electrician among other things. I wasn't born a technical director, I kind of learned it. I have a degree in theater from UCLA.

## Q: Has you work been concentrated in any one part of the country?

A: It's been pretiy spread out. more challenging than l've been in Baltimore, Washington D.C., New York City, Los Angeles, Cleveland, the Virgin Islands and San Francisco.

## Q: From the viewpoint of a stage manager and the job you must do, what is the best feature of this theater!

A: The rigging system (for working with scenery) and the lighting system. They're state of the art.

## Q: How did you come to the Spencer Theater?

A: They listed an ad in a trade publication called "Art Search" for a technical director.

## Q: Are any of the pro-

 ductions Tined up for first season going to bethe others:
A: I tend to be near sighted, because I have to deal with a lot of details and right now I'm working on the "Velveteen Rabbit" production, but looking at the schedule, for my part, they all seem about the same (in difficulty).

Q: From your years in theater, is there a performer or production

## you personally would

 like to see at the Spencer Theater?A: As genre, I'm very fond of ballet. In terms of music, I like jazz. One act out there that's very unique is the Fred Garbo Inflatable Theater Company. I'd like to see that here.

## Traveling bear exhibit opens in Albuquerque

A major exhibit on the grizzly and black bear in North America opens Saturday at the New Mexico Muscum of Natural History and Science in Old Town Albuquerque.
"Bears: Imagination and Reality" is the nation's first major traveling exhibit exploring one of America's most potent symbols of the wilderness, the grizzly bear.

The exhibit examines both the myth and reality surrounding bears. It presents animal behavior, medicine, natural history, art, myth, folklore, literature, his-
tory and wildife management. The exhibit brings together objects and specimens, interactive displays, film video and contemporary research findings.

Participatory components complement the displays. Visitors can examine and touch hides, skulls, teeth and paws, or play a computer game on managing bear habitat.

The exhibit will be on display through Jan. 4, 1998. The Museum of Natural History and Science is located at 1801 Mountain Road NW in Albuquerque. For more information, call 505-841-2800.

## Museum hosts Fall American Art Show

The Museum of the Horse is at the show will not be accepted. offering increased prize money for the 1997 Fall American Art Show and.sale, which will run from Nov. 22 through Jan. 4, 1998.

Limited to entries from artists who live at least a portion of the year in New Mexico, the Fall American is also offering a special award to the best Lincoln County artist, courtesy of Ruidoso State Bank.

Entries to the juried show will be judged by Howard J. Taylor, immediate past president of the board of directors of the Texas Association of Museums and currently director of the San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts. Taylor has 26 years' experience in museum administration and is respected throughout the country as a leading art expert.

Open to all artists 18 or older, the Fall American Art Show and Sale will accept entries in any original medium. Crafts, photographs, computer or video art, or reproductions of work previously exhibited

Size is limited to 60 inches in any direction, including frames, and sculptures must fit on a 24 -inch by 36-inch pedestal.

Preliminary selection for the show will be based on 2 - by 2 -inch 35 mm slides. One to three slides of a given work may be sent for consideration (along with a selfaddressed stamped envelope) for a $\$ 15$ non-refundable entry fee. Entries should be sent to Fall American Art Show Entries, Museum of the Horse, P.O. Box 40, Ruidoso Downs, 88346. All slides are due by Oct. 17 and all entries must be received by Nov. 16.

The prize for first place will be $\$ 1,000$, with second place earning $\$ 500$, third $\$ 300$ and the Sponsors Award for Best Lincoln County Artist $\$ 200$. The exhibit is funded in part by New Mexico Arts, a division of the Office of Cultural Affairs.

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Kevin Kline explores his masculinity in "In and Out" now showing at Sierra Cinema.

## Bears, bombs and bombshells light

 up the screen at Sierra CinemaLet's check out what's showing on the silver screens of Sierra Cinema. Debuting today is "The Edge" and "The Peacemaker." For. more information call 257-9444.

## The Edge

Rated $R$
Show times: 1:30 p.m.*, 4 p.m., 6:45 p.m., 9:30 p.m.*

Plot: Anthony Hopkins, Alec Baldwin and Elle McPherson star in this thriller, which pits man againsi nature. Hopkins suspects Baldwin is having an affair with his wife (McPherson), when their plane crashes in a remote piece of. wintertime wilderness the men are quickly at each other's throats. But the fight between the two of them is nothing compared to the battle they must wage against a fierce bear that seems to be stalking them with an unanimal-like intelligence.

## The Peacemaker

## Rated $\mathbf{R}$

Show times: 1:15 p.m.*, 3:45 p.m. ${ }^{*}$, 6:30 p.m. and 9:15 p.m.*

Plot: In a remote section of Russia, two trains are on a collision course. One carries passengers, the other nuclear weapons en route to be deactivate in accordance with the START nuclear disarmament treaty. Moments after the crash, a 75 kiloton blast shatters the rural landscape, putting the world's governments on high alerts and setting off an international manhunt.

Dr. Julia Kelly (Nicole Kidman), a nuclear scientist and
acting head of the White House Nuclear Smuggling Group, is first to realize this catastrophe was no accident and most likely is the work of terrorists. But it's Lt . Col. Thomas Devoe (George Clooney), an intelligence officer with the U.S. Army Special Forces, who counters that it was actually part of a conspiracy to coverup piracy of the train's nuclear cargo by profiteers. They are both right.

## In and Out

## Rated PG-13

Show times: 2 p.m.*, 4:15 p.m., 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.*

Plot: Howard Brackett's high school English students are astonished. Is it really true that their favorite teacher might be gay? But hey, he can't be gay; he's about to get married. Then again, he also teaches the drama class and boy, does he love those Barbara Streisand records ... In all happened to Howard (Kevin Kline) faster than you could say "Don't Ask, Don't Tell." One of his former students (Maft Dillon) became a Hollywood superstar, and clumsily called Howard's sexuality into question - on the Academy Awards telecast, no less. Howard's tranquil life in Greenleaf, Ind. has been turned upside down. Greenleaf has now become the scene of a media feeding frenzy, with Howard as the bait.

* Show times for Friday and Saturday only.


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method of play in order to accomplish his purpose.

Take this case where South is in six diamonds and West leads the K-Q of hearts. Declarer ruffs and the question is what to do next.

The most obvious line of play is to draw trumps and stake the outcome on a spade finesse - essentially a $50-50$ proposition. If East has the king, the slam is made; if West has the king, the slam, goes down.

However, there is a different method of play that offers declarer far better than a 50 percent chance for the contract.

At trick three, South leads a diamond to the ten and ruffs another heart, then plays a diamond to the queen and trumps dummy's last heart.

By this time, since South has led trumps twice and ruffs hearts
three times, he has no more trumps in his hand. He next plays a club to the ace and cashes the ace of diamonds, drawing West's last trump while discarding his four of spades. Declarer's spade loser thus magically disappears, and he easily scores the rest of the tricks.

When dummy first comes down it is certainly not obvious to declarer that his spade loser can eventually be discarded on one of dummy's trumps. That is why dummy reversals are so often overlooked.

In choosing one method of play over the other, it is important for declarer to compare the merits of taking the spade finesse as opposed to trumping three hearts. The latter approach succeeds whenever the give missing trumps are divided 32, which happens in two deals out of three, while the spade finesse wins only half the time.
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## 'Hardin is fastest thing I ever saw in my life with a gun'

(This is the second in a threc-part series about John Wesley Hardin.)

When he gol word that his wife was now living with John Wesley Hardin, Marlin M'Rose was fit to be tied. He and his friends began sending threatening letters to Hardin, which the gunman/lawyer did his best to ignore

M'Rose's friends who were most aggressively anti-Hardin were a couple of hardcases named Tom Finnessey and Vic Queen. They repeatedly sent threatening messages to Hardin. On April
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thing I ever saw in my life with a gun. There is nobody that is a match for him as far as that is concerned. Before 1 could get my gun, he had pulled his and had it in Finnessey's belly." (italics mine)

Hollywood take note: This is one of the few references made to a true "fast draw" in the Old West.

No one knew it at the time, but this was John Wesley Hardin's last hurrah as a gunman. He would never again pull a

## eapon in anger.

Of course, none of this stopped Martin M'Rose from pining for his lost Beulah. And it was that yearning that Scarborough and Milton used to lure Martin M’Rose, who had a reward on his head, back to the El Paso side of the Rio Grande.

## A sucker for love

George Scarborough began travelling to suarez regularly to meet with the recently released M’Rose. Gradually, Scarborough convinced the rustier that Beulah had repented and wanted a reconciliation. Scarborough also convinced M'Rose that he (Scarborough) was his friend. M'Rose believed him and il was that belief that would cost him is life.

On the night of June 29, 1895, Martin M'Rose, encouraged by George Scarborough, crossed the bridge from Juarez to El Paso with Scarborough.

Shortly after the pair had jumped from the bridge and began walking through the tall reeds that were approximately where the U.S. Immigration Service is now, Chief of Police Jeff Milton and Deputy Frank McMahon leapt from the dark shouting "hands up!"

Scarborough had been walking ahead of M'Rose and when Martin realized that he had walked into a trap, he began to pull his weapon, but Scarborough was way ahead of him. Even as Martin brought his pistol up, Scarborough had already whirled and had his own weapon pointed at M'Rose's chest.

Everyone fired at once, except Martin M'Rose, who never got the chance to get off a shot. The coroner's report stated that there were "seven penetrating wounds in the chest and abdomen ... two of these large bullets ... passed directly through the heart and were the cause of dcath."

Few were pleased with the way Martin M'Rose met his end. In those days, people felt that even an outlaw should be given a chance to defend himself. Scarborough, Milton and McMahon all came under heavy criticism for the manner in which they had taken M'Rose. And, as if that weren't enough, rumors began to circulate that M'Rose had a substantial amount of money on him when he left Juarez that wasn't on him when he was delivered to the coroner's office.

It was also rumored that another local lawman had been present: "Uncle John" Selman.


Jeff Milton (left) and George Scarborough

If both of these rumors were true, it could possibly explain some of the subsequent goings-on in old El Paso.

## An outlaw's outlaw

Most of the gunmen of the Old West, believe it or not, had at least one or two good points. This could not be said of John Selman.

Back in the 1870s, Selman had been the deputy of lawman-outiaw John Larn, and he had harely escaped the same fate that overtook Larn. The ne'er-do-well sheriff had been shot in his own jail by his own constituents - not something that happens often, although there are those who argue that it should.

During the Lincoln County War, Selman had led a group of brigands through the Hondo Valley, raping and killing. It is estimated that Selman may have killed as many as 20 men, most of whom he shot from ambush. An exception to this was when Selman shot Texas Ranger Bass Outlaw (his real name) in 1894 in an El Paso bordello.

Outlaw, heavily under the influence of liquor, had gone on a demented rampage in which he killed one other lawman before seriously wounding Selman, who managed to get off one shot, effectively ending Outlaw's rampage, as well as his life. From that day on, Selman had to walk with a cane, but was held in a certain esteem by El Pasoans, most of whom were unaware of his early career.

At any rate, if Selman was present that night, he was not indicted with the other three lawmen for the killing. Another rumor also began to circulate that John Wesley Hardin was also present. If all of these rumors were true, and Selman did not get his share of the money on M'Rose, it puts a whole different spin on Selman's later troubles with Hardin.

## Hardin turns to drink

Hardin began to spend less and less time in his law office and more and more time in the company of Beulah, attempting to drink all the liquor in El Paso.

Despite his deadly reputation, Hardin was viewed by most who knew him as a friendly man who just drank too much. Local children were particularly fond of Hardin, who was invariably kind and generous with them.

Hardin's relationship with Beulah began to go south, and on Aug. 6, 1895, he was arrested for threatening her. At the same time, the drunken gunman made sone initeresting charges concerning Gcorge Scarborough: He mentioned that he had paid Scarborough to kill M'Rose. This, of course. was not something that Scarborough was inclined to letgo on. And when John Wesley sobered up, he knew he had put his foot in his mouth. At the urging of Scarborough and Mitton, Hardin took out the following ad in he EI Paso Times:

## TO THE PUBLIC:

I have been informed that on the night of the 6 th, while under the influence of liquor, I made a talk against George Scarborough, stating that I had hired Scarborough to kill M'Rose. I do not recollect making any such statement and if I did the statement was absolutely false, and it was superinduced by drink and frenzy.

## JOHN W. HARDIN

When Milton heard of Hardin's remarks, he was furious. Confronting Hardin, Milton demanded a retraction on the spot, and while Milton had brought a back-up (just in case) in the form of his friend Will Burges, he was still surprised to hear Hardin say: "All right. when I said I hired you to kill Martin M'Rose, I was a goddamn liar."

A relieved Milton later confided to Burges: "What do you know about that? He's so much faster with a gun than I am, that if he had gone for his gun, I wouldn't have had a chance."

Backing down from Milton - or anyone else - was uncharacteristic in the extreme for Hardin, unless he knew Milton was right. What is also interesting is that despite all of these charges and retractions, Hardin, Milton and Scarborough seem to have remained friends.

Which, in the end, mattered little.
John Wesley Hardin had less than two weeks to live.

## PARTING SHOT



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Eldon Shamblin, ityythm guitarist, arranger ... musician.

Stars will shine brightly at this be as bright as the October skies. year's Cowboy Symposium - Performers scheduled to sing and under the western sky, and on the stage.

- A night before all the musicians, poets, cooks, riders and the rest of the Symposium participants descend on the Glencoe Rural Events Cehter for the eighth artifual gathering, a gathering of a different kind will take the stage.

A special tribute concert to Bob Wills' legendary guitarist Eldon Shamblin and storied songwriter Cindy Walker will begin at 8 p.m., Oct. 9 to kick off the Symposium.

Larry Scott, the popular KVOOTulsa disc jockey and master of ceremonies of the event, says "Cindy Walker is a national treasurer. She downplays her accomplishments because she's such a modest soul, but there's no denying her genius. Her songs come from the heart and they touch a place in the hearts of all of us."

The 50,000 -watt Tulsa AM station will broadcast the tribute live from the Glencoe Rural Events Center for four hours on Oct. 9.

The concert lineup promises to
play in honor of Shamblin and Walker are Hank Thompson, Junior Brown, Johnny Gimble, Frankic McWhorter, Tommy Allsup, Herb Remington, Johnny Bush, the McKinney Sisters, Billy Walker, Chirtis-Potter and Ray Benson of Asleep at the Wheel.

All will perform songs written by Walker.
"It's going to be the greatest collection of western musicians you'll find anywhere," said Ray Reed, cofounder of the event and one of Western Swing music's most beloved performers.
"These are the legends of western music coming together to honor two old friends who are absolute geniuses.
"Eldon Shamblin's sound helped Bob Wills turn the corner and make it to the top. And when Bob Wills met 17 -year-old Cindy Walker and heard her songs, he hired her to write the music for eight motion pictures - and Cindy hasn't stopped writing since."

The tribute in Glencoe will
come on the heels of another honor - on Sept. 24 Walker was inducted into the Country Music Hall of Fame in Nashville.

Highlights of the show honoring the two veterans of western music will be Thompson and Brown.

Thompson is known as one of western music's most enduring legends and Brown is billed as one of the hottest contemporary artists.
"I wouldn't pass up the chance to come to Ruidoso to pay my respects to two of the greatest people in the music business," said Thompson, whose honky tonk western music has entertained millions of fans since the 1950s.
"Eldon Shamblin's guitar work helped define Western Swing music and Cindy Walker is one of the alltime great songwriters," Thompson said in a recent interview.

Proceeds from the concert will benefit the Bob Wills Scholarship Fund at South Plains College in Levelland, Texas. Only 1,000 tickets are available for the concert at \$25 each.

For ticket information call 1-800-263-5929.

| Stars in the western sky |
| ---: | :---: | :---: |
| Long-time star |
| Hank |
| Thompson |
| and rising star |
| Junior Brown <br> will join in <br> headlining the <br> tribute |
| Junior Brown |

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## Plan your visit, for an event or a day

Music, poetry, cooking, cowboy skills ... something to entertain and educate all weekend.

| Thursday, Oct. 9 | Bullwhip demonstration (arena) |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | 1-2 p.m. |
| 9 am . | Team penning (arena) |
| Chuckwagon Cooking Seminar | 2-3 p.m. |
| (chuckwagon camp). | Sidesaddle demonstration (arena) |
| 8 p.m. - 12 Midnight | 3-4:30 p.m. |
| Special concert tribute to Cindy | Craig Cameron the Gentle Horse |
| Walker and Eldon Shamblin | Trainer $4: 30-5: 30$ |
| Friday, Oct. 10 | Team penning (arena) 7:30-9 p.m. |
| Gatés open at 8 a.m. | Craig Chambers/Time Warp Top Hands |
| 8 a.m | 9 p.m. 1 a.m. |
| Trail ride departs behind | Dance with the Playboys and |
| Lincoln Courthouse 9-10:30 a.m. | Johnny Gimble |
| Open session (tent) | Saturday, Oct. 11 |
| 10:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. |  |
| Cowboy music (tent) | Gates open at 8 a.m. |
| Ranch life lectures (arena) |  |
| $9 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m} .66 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. | 8 a.m. |
| Cowboy music and poetry (main building) | Trail ride departs from Glencoe Rural Events Center |
| 10-11:30 a.m. | (Half-hour rides available |
| Craig Cameron the Gentle Horse | Saturday) |
| Trainer (arena) | 9-10:30 a.m. Open session |
| 11 am . | (tent) |
| Chuckwagon Cooking Demo (chuckwapon camp) | 10:30 a.m. 5 p.m. |
| 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. | lectures (arena) |



Ray Reed, who started it all; with the help of a few friends.

9 a.m.-6 p.m.
Cowboy music and poetry (main building)

9-10 a.m.
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Trainer (arena)
10 a.m. - Noon
Saddle-making demonstration
(arena)
Noon -1 p.m.
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2-3 p.m.
Cutting horse demonstration
(arena)
2-3 p.m.

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10:30-11:30 a:m.
Saddle-making demonstration
11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Bullwhip demonstration

12:30-1:30 p.m.
Team penning (arena)
1:30-2:30 p.m.
Cutting horse demonstrations
(arena)
2:30-3:30 p.m.
Craig Cameron the Gentle Horse Trainer (arena).


## What does a cook do for a hobby? He cooks - chuckwagon-style

## by Dianne Stallings

## RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

Cooking is nothing new to Ronnie Ingle. He's owned a barbecue restaurant in Abilene, Texas, for 11 years.

But cooking over an open fire and with dutch oven out of an authentic chuckwagon is an entirely different experience and one that keeps bringing Ingle back year after year to the Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium, the richest chuckwagon competition in the United States.

He'll be there again Saturday, Oct. 11, under the Diamond I brand and with his wife, Claudia, and his 28 -year-old son, Layne, sharing cooking chores on a hillside meadow at the Rural Events Center in Glencoe.
"In addition to $\$ 5,600$ in prize money, L. P. Bloodworth is donating a belt buckle to the champion," said Sid Goodloe, one of the competition organizers this year. Last year that award went to Les and Linda Darsey of McLean, Texas. who cooked out of a Winona Wagon Co. chuckwagon made in Minnesota. They purchased the wagon 16 years ago in Chikasha, Okla.

More than 30 teams will compete and each will share their bounty with 40 ticket holders, who have paid \$10 to feast on a real chuckwagon dinner.

The judging begins at noon and ticket holders can dig in as soon as the food to be judged has been picked up.

Those interested in learning how to master chuckwagon cooking on their own can sign up for a seminar given at 9 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 9, by Phelps Anderson, who has participated in the cook-off for several years. The fee is $\$ 35$. Demonstrations for the public will begin at 11 am . Friday, Oct: 10 , in five segments, one every 30 minutes, focusing on different dishes.

The rules for competing cooks are strict, Goodloe said The authenticity of the chuckwagons "to the last little screw" is judged Friday, he said. Three cooks per wagon work only with food that can be carried or killed on the trail. Fruit for the cobbler must be dried. The beef is supplied by the symposium to ensure an equal starting point for all wagons. No additives are permitted. Cooks must bring their own wood.

It may sound strange that someone like Ingle, who cooks for a living, also cooks for a hobby. But it's just not the same with a chuckwagon, he said.
"I got interested in the chuckwagon several years ago just about the time the competitions were starting to grow," Ingle said. "It was a different kind of cooking than we do. I don't


One of almost three dozen entries in the richest chuckwagon cook-off.
go to brisket, barbecue or chili cookoffs, but we do this for fun.
"My wife always said if I wanted a chuckwagon, she'd go, but she wouldn't be involved; but she fell in when my son started cooking. She's really the head ramrod. We made it a family affair. The only way we get to go is because my daughter and her husband run our restaurant while we're gone."

The family competes in a few cook-offs each year. Their wagon is sponsored by D.F. Kimsey and Duttin \& Hakanson Ldd.
"The symposium is our very favorite," Ingle said. "We really enjoy it. We've gotten to know some great people and made good friends."

Ingle learned how to cook with a dutch oven watching his grandmother , but she cooked inside. Fighting a wind adds another element when cooking outside.
"But I wanted to learn how, because there aren't many left who know how," Ingle said. "It was a challenge. Also a big part is putting together the chuck wagon, finding all equipment and authentic gear.
"There's an amount of showmanship and showoff that you like to do. And we reminisce about what it really was like."

Ingle's wagon, an original John Deere, was built around the turn of the century and was purchased in Jasper, Ala., six years ago, where it
had been sitting in a barn for 45 years. A stencil of John Deere still is visible on the back axie and on the wagon tongue.

The Ingles have won at other competitions, but still are looking for their first prize from the symposium.
"I don't know if you ever really learn how to cook (like a real chuckwagon cook), but we get better each year," Ingle said.

He uses the chuckwagon in his catering businesses when he's not competing. Ever since the television mini-series "Lonesome Dove," people want everything authentic, Ingle said. The difference is he arrives pulling the wagon on a trailer instead of with a team of horses.
"They had a rough deal back then," he said of life on the trail for the one or two decades of Western ranch life that became the model for the next century:
"Those guys were moving on the trail. You have to really get down and do the cooking to appreciate what all they had to go through," Ingle said. "It certainly wasn't like Roy Rogers and the Lone Ranger in the movies, but at least, they kept the idea alive.".

Ingle's favorite dishes to prepare are the cobbler and sour dough bread. He also handles the beans while his son tackles the potatoes and all three' work on the meat.


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# Trail rides offer tours of area's history 

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ay Toni K. Laxson RUIDOSO NEWS STAFF WRITER

If you don't have a horse, rent one.

The trail rides offered at the Cowboy Symposium on Oct. 10 and 11 are traditionally one of the event's biggest attractions, said longtime coordinator Ray Reed.
"They have been one of my main promotions" for the symposium, Reed said.

Day rides will be offered Friday and Saturday. An overnight trail
ride, coordinated separately from the others, will be Oct. 7-9.

Besides beautiful scenery, the trails offer riders a chance to slip back into the past as they mosey along the same paths taken by historical figures, said day ride coordinator Scott Wells.
"The unique thing about the trail rides offered at the Cowboy Symposium is the riders actually are on the exact same trails used by Billy the Kid, Kit Carson, Geronimo, Pat Garrett and other western legends," said Wells, pub-


Dianne Stallinga/Ruidoso News
Day rides follow some the trails ridden by Billy the Kid and the other young guns of the Lincoin County War.
lic relations director at the altitude, coordinators say. Museum of the Horse.
"And there are probably no other cowboy gatherings in the country that feature such beautiful, historic scenery."

The cost of the two day rides is $\$ 25$ a person. The price includes lunch and a one-day admission to the symposium ${ }_{2}$

Coordinators recommend that only experienced riders participate because of the terrain covered in the rides. Also, horses used in the rides should be acclimated to the

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The Friday day tide starts in the. historic town of Lincoln and ends with a cook-out at the Glencoe Rural Events Center. The Saturday day ride will visit the John Tunstall murder site, Wells said.
"Of course, that was the killing that started the Lincoln County War," Wells said. "And we will have a hearty picnic lunch served there for the riders."
A two-night trail ride will travel through the Mescalero
Reservation, said coordinator Buck

Reams. The ride starts at about 8 a.m. Tuesday at the Ruidoso Downs Race Track, heads up through Turkey Creek to a base camp at Encino Wells on the reservation.

Indian guide Cecil Chino will direct rides during the day on the half-million acre reservation, Reams said. Meals will be served off of an authentic chuck wagon by chef Bill Cauble.

On Tuesday night, Mescalero Apache ceremonial dancers will perform. On Wednesday night,


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| Lincoln to Glencoe |
| - Day ride, Oct. 11, from |
| Glencoe to Tunstall site. |
| Costs: Day rides, $\$ 25$. |
| Overnight, $\$ 350$ |,

western entertainment will feature $\$ 350$ per person, and includes the musical comedy duo, the Jose food, entertainment, feed for horsBrothers, and Ray Reed, who will es and assistance. Riders will need perform traditional cowboy songs. to provide their own sleeping bags, Reams, Rich O'Brien, Snuffy bedrolls or tents as well as their Elmore and Mark Abbott also will play western music.

People wishing to just attend the Wednesday night steak dinner and entertainment may do so at a cost of $\$ 35$ per person, Reams said.

Riders will come back to the race track on Thursday afternoon, Reams said.

The overnight trail ride costs own horses, Reams said.

To sign up for the overnight trail ride, contact Reams at (817) $558-6656$ or write to him at P.O. Box 64171, Fort Worth, Texas, 76164.

For more on the daily ride information, call (800) 263-5929. To rent horses, call (505) 378 8217.

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# It's non-stop entertainment at the Symposium $\begin{gathered}\text { Cowboy }\end{gathered}$ 

## If good music and good cowboy poetry is your

 bag, Glencoe will be the right place to listen.Cowboy culture will be everywhere when the Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium rides into the Glencoe Rural Events - Center Oct. 10-12.

The annual event is known for serving up pure cowboy fun and entertainment with musicians and poets from across the country and the state. Local musicians will also take a turn in tuning ip the crowds at the Symposium.

Cowboy music, much of it swing, can be heard from 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. in a tent outside the main building, with more musicians and poets singing and reciting inside the building from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily.

Local talent to be found at the Symposium includes the Flying J Wranglers. The Wranglers are a favorite in Ruidoso. James and Cindy Hobbs, Bart Trotter and Lynn Campbell know how to show a crowd a good time and offer up plenty of good fiddling, yodeling and smooth Western songs.

Other musical talent slated to take a turn on one of the stages includes Tommy Allsup, Johnny Bush and Floyd Domino, just to name a few.

Allsup started his musical career at a young age. In 1958, on a trip to Clovis, Allsup met the late Buddy Holly. That same year he started playing lead guitar with Holly and the Crickets and Ritchie Valens.

It was Allsup who flipped a coin with Ritchie Valens for a seat on the ill fated plane that ended both Holly and Valens' careers. Since then he has recorded with artists such as Willie Nelson, Tex Williams, Bob Wills and Ralph Emory.

Bush is a recording artist and dance hall hero from Houston. He is best known as the composer of "Whiskey River (Take My Mind)," Willie Nelson's concert theme song.' Bush has a long list of other credits including four gold records.

Domino is a Grammy winner whose boogie-woogie and swing piano has been heard on dozens of number one radio hits. His recording resume includes sessions with George Strait, Waylon Jennings, Asleep at the Wheel and Merle Haggard. He has also released five children's albums.

Poets on tap for the weekend include Tuffy Cooper and Carl Eppers.

Cooper, from Hobbs, is a native New Mexican and a lifetime member of the Professional Rodeo Cowboy Association. Rodeoing since the age of 10 , Cooper has hosted his own weekly rodeo radio show for 15 years. Although he continues to rope steers, he has developed a strong following for his original western stories and poems about the way of life he loves.

Eppers, of Los Lunas, describes himself as "not just another cowboy poet." Born and raised on a ranch 50 miles north of Roswell, he grew up tending sheep, cows, calves an yearlings and with the joy of loving and being loved. That upbringing is reflected in his poetry.

Dancers slated to perform include the Mescalero Tribal Dancers and their perfomance of "The Dance of the Mountain Gods." The Roswell Folklorico also will be on hand.

Dancing can also be found from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., Friday and Saturday. The public is invited to dance the night away to the sounds of The Playboys and Johnny Gimble.

There's plenty of othen cowboy action to be found during the three-day event, including lectures, team penning, demonstrations and chuckwagon cooking.


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Johnny. Giimble and the Texas Playboys will play for dancing Friday and Saturday nights until I a.m.

## Schedule of performances on the main stage at Glencoe

2:45 - Tater Paschall

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9:00-Ray Reed
:15-Jim Sheiton

- Carl Eppers

9:45 - Guy Logsdon
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10:30 - Curt Brummett
10:45-Craig Chambers
11:00 - Sonny Hancock
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11:30 - Larry McWhorter
11:45-Les Gilliam
12:00 - Flying J Wranglers
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4:15-Chuck Cusimano
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5:00 - Clay Liadiey
5:15-Gil Prather
5:30-Texas Sand
5.30-8.30 - Craig Chambers
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9:00 - The Playboys \& Johnnie Gimble
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4:15 - The Graham Brothers
4:30-Steve Schick
4:45 - Apache Adams
5:(X) - Clay Lindicy
5:15-Gil Prather
5:30 - Texas Sand
7:30 - Craig Chambers \& the Time Warped Top Hands
9:01) - The Playtoys \& Johnnic Gimble
Main Stage • Sunday
9:00 - The Graham Brothers
9:15 - Biscuits O'Brien
9:45 - The Graham Brothers
10:001 - Suriet Paul, Susie
\& Paul Luchsinger
1:15 - Spanish Dancers
11:45 - Mescalero Dancers
2:15 - Ranch Kids
12:45-Dinner on the grounds
1:30-Living Proof
2:30 - Ramsey Sisters
3:00 - Sam Davis
3:15-McKinney Sisters
3:30-Living Proof

## Tent performances at Glencoe

Friday
9:00-10:30-Open Sessions
10:30-Flying J. Wranglers
11:15 - Graham Brothers
12:00 - Texas Sand
12:30 - Norma \& Friends
1:00-Craig Chambers
1:30 - Fiddlers Two
2:00 - Time Warped Cowhands - Tommy Morrell, Snuffy Elmorę, Rich O'Brien, Buck Reams, Curly Hollingsworth, Tommy D. Thatcher, Mark Abbott
3:00 - Fiddle Time - Johnny Gimble, Bobby Boatright, Curley Lewis, Frankie McWhorter. Snuffy Elmore, Austin Smith, Coleman Smith, Bart Trotter, Norma Springer, Tommy Allsup, Jim Benjamin, Lloyd Jordan.
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Sunday
9:00-10:30-Open Sessions 10:30-All-Day Showcase of Local Talent

Brief biographies of most of the performers in the 1997 Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium are presented on pages 12-15

## TOMMY ALLSUP NASHVILLE, TENN.

Tommy Allsup, like so many of the other western musicians, comes from Oklahoma and started his musical carcer at a very young age. In 1958, on a trip to Clovis, N.M., he met the late Buddy Holly. In April of that year,
 he started playing Tommy Allsup lead guitar with
Holly and the
Crickets. He stayed playing with Buddy until the fatal plane crash that took Buddy's life, along with the Big Bopper and Ritchie Valens. It was Allsup who flipped a coin with Valens for a seat on the illfated plane.

After Holly's death, Allsup moved to California to join Liberty Records as a producer, where he recorded and produced such artists as Willie Neison, Tex Williams, Tommy Duncan, Bob Wills, Ralph Emory and others. He moved to Nashville in 1968 with the Metro Median Records, where he started Asleep at the Wheel, and also produced "The Last Time" album with Bob Wills. Wills directed the sessions from his wheelchair.

## LEON AUTREY

MOUNTAINAIR, N.M.
Leon Autrey was born into a ranching family in 1941. Except for a four-year stint in the armed forces, he's been ranching ever since. Leon has been married to Darla for 32 years. Leon, Darla, their two
 sons and six grandchildren own and operate the UL Ranch in Chuperdera, N.M., where they raise registered Beefmaster cattle.

Leon writes poetry and songs about what he has seen, heard and lived over the years. He sings original compositions as well as the old classics. He has participated in a number of cowboy gatherings throughout New Mexico, Colorado, Texas, Arizona and Nevada.

## JIM BENJAMIN <br> AMARILLO, TEXAS

Jim Benjamin played the guitar from 1940 until 1943. While in the Navy in 1943, he started playing the drums and he's been playing them ever since. He's played in bands from El Paso to Amarillo


Jim Benjamin
and has played with Bob Wills, Floyd Tillman and Merl Lindsay Benjamin was inducted into the Western Swing Hall of Fame in Sacramento, Calif., in 1988. He was also inducted into the Pioneer of Western Swing Hall of Fame in Seattle, Wash., in 1993.

KIM BLAKEY
EL PASO, TEXAS
Born and raised on a farm and ranch near Causey, N.M., Kim Blakey spent his youth cowboying in New Mexico and West Texas. He eventually formed the Timberline Band and has spent the past few years touring the
 United States and overseas. He is a prolific songwriter.

## BOBBY BOATRIGHT <br> MANSFIELD, TEXAS

Bobby Boatright began playing his fiddle professionally at the age of 11 with an allkid band in Denison, Texas. For 10 years he played fiddle in the last band of the famous Original Texas Playboys. He currently teaches
 math Weatherford Junior College and still manages to play for several bands, including his own, the Bar H Cowboys. Bobby has appeared with the Lightcrust Doughboys, Asleep at the Wheel, Floyd Tillman, George Strait, Willie Nelson, Red Steagall, Mel Tillis, Marty Robbins, Tex Ritter, Janie Fricke, Smiley Burnett, Sheb Wooley and more.

## CURT BRUMMETT MALJIMAR, N.M.

Curt Brummett was born in Clovis, N.M., and grew up on an eastern New Mexico farm and ranch. Brummett started writing short stories when he was a senior in high school. The first story he sold in 1986 was the
 same story his senior English teacher gave him an " $F$ " on.

Since high school he has worked on ranches in Wyoming, Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico and Colorado. He has worked on ranches, feed yards, sale barns and even in the oil field. His stories have been published in the

Livestock Weekly, Team Ropers Times, Horse and Rider, Country Magazine and in a monthly edition of the De Baca County News. All of his stories are true, but the names have been changed.

## CRAIG CHAMBERS <br> ACTON, CALIF.

A fine entertainer with a strong, melodic voice, Craig Chambers may just reinvent the "singing cowboy." He was the singing cowboy narrator in the original Broadway production of "The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas." Recently he has released a new album of cowboy songs. Chambers is also a fine horseman, and now works for the Hollywood film industry as a wrangler and an extra.

## TUFFY COOPER HOBBS, N.M.

Tuffy Cooper is a native New Mexican and a lifetime member of the PRCA. He has been a cowboy and rodeo roper all of his life. He entered and won his first rodeo at the age of $10 . \mathrm{He}$ was the
 Champion Calf Roper at the com-
petition held in Lawton, Okla. In 1994, Tuffy was awarded the Tom Blasingame Cowboy of the Year Award at the National Cowboy Symposium in Lubbock, Texas. In 1995 he received the Lifetime Achievement Cowboy Award from the Carlsbad Museum. Recently he was inducted into the Lea County Cowboy Hall. of Fame, and the NIO Beta Hall of Champion Ropers. Tuffy Cooper continues to rope calves and steers, but has developed quite a following for his original western poems and stories about the cowboys and horses he loves.

## CHUCK CUSIMANO <br> TRINIDAD, COLORADO

Chuck Cusimano, born in Trinidad, Colo., grew up on various area ranches where his dad was a full-time working cowboy. At the age of 13 , Chuck and his brother Jay got into the horse breaking busi-
 ness, and they'll
C. Cusimano still take on a colt here and there, if the price is right.

Chuck's dad played music with a well-known southern Colorado county band in the $40 \mathrm{~s}, 50 \mathrm{~s}$ and early 60s, and it soon became evident that Chuck had the same talents. He still plays the guitar but has branched out into cowboy poetry. His poetry is from the heart, is usually humorous and always entertaining.

Chuck is a day working cowboy in the southern Colorado and northern New Mexico area, but finds time to perform his cowboy poetry three nights a week or more. His performances take him as far away as Lubbock, Texas and Cheyenne, Wyom.

## ALVIN G. DAVIS <br> LUBBOCK, TEXAS

Alvin Davis is the president of the Western Music Association and was the founding chairman of the National Cowboy Symposium and Celebration in Lubbock, Texas. His works hark Alvin Davis back at times to the naturalistic tone of the traditional cowboy poets, but often he focuses his wit on modern problems, viewing them from the cowboy's whimsical perspective.

Davis has spent his life closely associated with ranching and agriculture.

If you understand the cowboy of today, and the ranching fraternity, you'll find something to relate to in his poems.

## FLOYD DOMINO <br> AUSTIN, TEXAS

 albums and a million miles. During the years 1972-78, the band won a Grammy for its Western Swing arrangement of Count Basie's "One O'Clock Jump," and was nominated several more times.

In 1979, Floyd moved from Austin to New York to play piano in the Broadway production of Best Little Whorehouse in Texas. In 1983, he moved to Nashville to record and tour with the Crickets and Waylon Jennings.

In 1987, Domino moved, back to Austin, Texas. Since then, he has recorded on several albums with George Strait and with other artists including Don Walser, Herb Ellis and Clifford "Honkytonk" Scott.

## RANDY ELMORE CLEBURNE, TEXAS

Fiddle player Randy Elmore (better known as Snuffy Smith) has been playing for 30 years. He has performed with such notable performers as Mel Tillis,
McEntire, Red Steagall, Ray Price and Hank Thompson. He
 was the Texas State Fiddling Champ for six years, and the World Champion Fiddler for two years.

## CARL EPPERS <br> LOS LUNAS, NEW MEXICO

"Not Just Another Cowboy Poet" is how Carl Eppers describes himself, and he means it. He never tries to copy another cowboy poet.

Carl was born
and raised on a ranch 50 miles northwest of


Roswell, N.M. On the family ranch they raised sheep, cows, calves, and yearlings. Being a family operation, they had to do all the work from digging postholes and shoe-: ing horses to windmillin' and erosion work. He grew up with the joy of loving and being loved. When you hear his poems, you should hear all of these teachings expressed. Carl has performed in poetry gatherings throughout New Mexico, Texas and Colorado.

## FLYING J WRANGLERS RUIDOSO, N.M.

The Flying J Wranglers are one of the most beloved attractions in the Ruidoso area. James Hobbs, the Flying J's owner, manager and entertainer, presents a

first-rate
evening from mid-May through Labor Day, the Hobbs serve up a chuckwagon supper much like the cowboy might have eaten on the trail many years ago. The supper is followed by a fast-paced, foot stompin' western stage show in a big show barn.

## FIDDLERS TWO <br> CHICO, TEXAS

Austin and Coleman are 16 and 14 year old brothers who have been nominated for Academy - of Western Artists "Western Swing Duo/Group" award for 1997.

## They have

 played with the Fort Worth Symphony, and they are the twin fiddle champions of the "World Series of Fiddling."

## DENNIS FLYNN <br> AZLE, TEXAS

With his parents in the quarter horse business, Dennis drew up with horses and cattle. He graduated from horseshoeing school in 1974 and made a living rodeoing and shoeing horses while going to college to earn an animal science
 degree.

Dennis regularly performs original and traditional cowboy poetry at cowboy gatherings, ranch rodeos, colleges, fairs, festivals and celebrations throughout the Southwest.

With his partners today he is running a cow/calf operation in Wise, Montague, Parker and Jack counties in Texas, the Seven $X$ Ranch. This is all funded by a pretty good day job running an insurance agency in Azle.

## JOHNNY GIMBLE <br> ROUND ROCK, TEXAS

Johnny Gimble is considered the best swing fiddler around today. At the age of 23 , he joined. Bob Wills and The Tex a s Playboys, stayed three years and has gone on to play with many famous
 artists includ-

Johnny Cimble ing Ray
Price, Marty
Robbins and Lefty Frizzell.
Johnny Gimble has made more appearances on "Austin City Limits" than any other individual. Johnny appeared in the movies
"Nashville," with Willie Nelson in "Honeysuckle Rose," and "Songwriter." He also portrayed Bob Wills in Clint Eastwoods "Honky Tonk Man."

Johnny was voted "Instrumentalist of the Year" by the Country Music Association in 1978 and has received that award four times since. He was named "Fiddler of the Year" by The Academy of Country Music eight times and has been nominated for a Grammy three times - he finally scored the elusive Grammy in 1994. . He also received the National Fellowship Heritage Award from the National Endowment for the Arts. After more than 50 years Gimble is still "fiddlin' around." In addition to studio work he's active on the road doing festivals, concerts, dances as a solo artist or with his own group, "Texas Swing," nàmed for his favorite music.

THE GRAHAM BROTHERS
RUIDOSO, N.M.
The Graham brothers have lived in Lincoln County all their lives and are the sons of the late Joe Graham, who was an old-time fiddler and a
fiddle maker.


The Graham

## Brothers

Band has played its unique style of country music all over New Mexico and Texas.

The band derives its sound from strong vocal power that is often used in four-part harmony, and from the persuasive guitar picking of Arnold Adams.

The group performed the opening for a Lynn Anderson concert and for Spindletop International at the Houston Astrodome.

The Graham Brothers Band consists of the three brothers, Slick, Hoyt and Dale. Arnold Adams (their "adopted brother") joined the three Graham brothers a couple of years ago.

## SUNNY HANCOCK

Sunny Hancock got interested in poetry as a kid when he read some verse written by Robert W. service.

Born on ataw ranch in northern Arizona, he has punched cows in most of the western states. He would up his buckaroo career as a cow boss in Oregon.

When the cowboy poetry movement started in Elko, Nev. in 1985 he was invilted as a featured poet. He has recited for the Library of Congress and the Smithsonian. He also has entertained the International Society of Poets twice.
soon left for Dallas and worked there with Bill and Jim Boyd and the Cowboy Ramblers over radio station WRR,

Three years later, in 1950, Eldon Shamblin auditioned Bob and he became a Texas Playboy with Bob Wills. Later, he spent three years with Pee Wee King followed by a $11 / 2$ year stint with Billy Gray before he played with his own band in Wichita, Kan.

Times and music changed, and Koefer went to Alaska where he spent the next 20 years working construction, living with the Eskimos, and occasionally falling back on music, working with Paul Harper.

In the middle ' 80 s , he moved back to Idaho, then to Oregon where he currently resides. Since then he has been once again working with the Texas Playboys.

## walt la RUE <br> BURBANK, CALIF.

Walt LaRue is a cowboy artist who rode bulls and bareback broncs in the 1940s and 1950s.
belong Conged to the Cowboy's Turtle Association and the
Cowboy's Association, and is a Gold Card mem-
 ber of the Walter Larue Professional Rodeo Cowboy's Association. While rodeoing, Walt had the opportunity to work in the movies, became a stunt man, and worked at both for a long time. Walt still does some acting and stunts, although they are a little tamer now. During. his career, when time would allow, Walt worked as a freelance artist, illustrating books and magazines and painting fine art pictures of the Old West. The Lincoln County Cowboy Symposium logo was designed by Walt.

## CURLY LEWIS

TULSA, OKLA.
Curly Lewis is one of the alltime great western swing fiddlers as well as an excellent vocalist. The fifth of nine children, Curly was born near Stigler, Okla., into a farming family. Everyone in his family


Bobby Koefer was born and raised near Clay Center, Kan. He spent most of his teenage years 'on the Oregon Coast. At the age of 18 , he left home and headed
 Sacramento, Calif., with his Bobby Koefer steel guitar. He
nearly 11 years. When Bob Wills needed a fiddle player for his band, he invited Curly to join him in California. Curly's vocal work and fiddling have made him a wellknown and popular musician throughout the Southwest and many foreign countries. He was inducted into the Western Swing Society Hall of Fame in 1990. Lewis currently freelances in the Tulsa area and often plays with former Texas Playboys.

## OWEN LIENHARD RENO, NEV.

Owen Lienhard started his professional music career in California in 1943 with Ray Reed and his Western Swing Band. He toured with Ray and the Cross B Boys in 1947. When Reed returned to New Mexico several Owen Lienhard years later, Lienhard's career took him to New York City. While there with the Johnny Hamlin Quintet, he won the Arthur Godfrey Show in 1952 In May of 1963 he joined the Mickey Finn Show: Owen continued his musical career with Mickey Finn until August of 1986 when he moved to Reno, Nev., to make his home.

## CLAY LINDLEY <br> MARFA, TEXAS

Clay Lindley was born in Del Rio, Texas, in 1959, but moved to Silver City, N.M., in 1970, where he attended high school. He later attended Sul Ross University in Alpine, Texas, and received a Range Management degree. After graduation, he spent time working on several different ranches in many states. He finally settled down in Marfa, Texas, where he works as a Range Conservationist for the Department of Agriculture. He's also done some bit parts in a few movies such as "The Good Old Boys" and he's been known to play a mean mouth harp.

## GUY LOGSDON <br> TULSA, OKLA.

Guy Logsdon is a native Oklahoman who for 30 years has been entertaining audiences with songs, poems and stories about the American West, its culture and its heroes. He is an internationally recognized authority on western and cowboy music. poetry, and musicians.

Logsdon is a writer, publisher, and entertainer. He has performed for a wide variety of audiences throughout the nation includitig featured appearances at the Smithsonian Institution's Annual Festival of American Folklife and the National Museum of American

Art in Washington, D.C.; the annual Cowboy Poetry Gathering and the Cowboy Music Gathering in Elko, Nev.; the National Cowboy Hall of Fame in Oklahoma .City, the Lincoln County Cowboy
 Symposium, the "Tribute to the Singing Cowboys," Gene Autry Western Heritage Museum in Los Angeles, Calif., and the stage show "Revels on the Range" in Hanover N.H. He has written, produced and narrated 16 TV shows, and has acted as a consultant on many more.

## SUSIE LUCHSINGER ATOKA, OKLA.

Susie was raised on an Oklahoma ranch filled with love and music. Parents Clark and Jacqueline McEntire had three daughters and a son; Susie, the youngest; Reba, the super country star; son
 Pake; and Alice.
S. Luchsinger

Following graduation from Oklahoma State, Susie toured as a country peformer with sister Reba, appearing on a number of television shows, and with artists such as Ronnie Milsap and Merle Haggard.

Susie married Paul Luchsinger, a professional steer wrestler and became a mother a few years later Susic began singing Christian Country in 1984.

In recent years she has appeared on a variety of Christian television shows

## SUNNY MARTIN ELY, NEV.

A veteran of ranching life, Sunny Martin calls herself a "confirmed horse-aholic." She's always been happiest when allowed to be in charge of moving the horses from camp to camp during roundups. Early in life she
 discovered a bent for writing poetry

- a talent she inherited from her great-grandfather. Sunny still has a poem he penned in the early 1800s.

Sunny is also known as the founder of the American Bashkir Curly Registry. She has worked to promote the breed since its beginnings in 1971 and is proud to say there are now more than 2,000 of these unique horses registered. She and her curly coated horses
have been invited to the Pasadena Dallas on Halloween, 1938. He Rose Bowl Parade for the past 13 years.

## FRANKIE MCWHORTER HIGGINS, TEXAS

Frankie McWhorter was born in Memphis Hall County, Texas and started playing the fiddle at the JA Ranch Chuckwagon in November 1949.
 He started his fiddle playing career for Jay Roberts in Kermit, Texas.

In 1960, he became a member of the famous Bob Wills and the Texas Playboys band. He has lived in Higgins, Texas since 1963, and is now the ranch foreman for Gray Ranch Company. He has his own western swing band, "The Over The Hill Gang.'

McWhorter wrote the song "Between the Rivers" as a tribute to the great Bob Wills. He was inducted into the Nebraska Country Music Hall of Fame in 1984 and Western Swing Society Hall of Fame in Sacramento, Calif., in 1988.

LARRY MCWHORTER

## WEATHERFORD, TEXAS

Larry McWhorter was raised in the Texas Panhandle near Higgins and Canadian. He worked for outfits and feedlots in three states and spent a short stint working the mule tours in the Grand Canyon.
Larry has per-
formed his poetry
 across the nation and occasionally plays saxophone and clarinet with various groups, including the Texas Playboys and Red Steagall.

## MESCALERO APACHE <br> TRIBAL DANCERS <br> MESCALERO, N.M.

Led by Nathaniel Chee, the Mescalero Apache Tribal Dancers are a group of dancers authorized by the tribe to perform the "Dance of the Mountain Gods" and explain its his-
 tory.

## Nathanial

is the son of Hugh Chee, who was captured as a boy with Geronimo. Chee is considered a good ambassador of the Indian way of life.

TOMMY MORRELL
LITTLE ELM, TEXAS
Tommy Morrell was born in


Dallas on Halloween, 1938. He grew up in Oak Cliff and his family wasn't an especially musical one, though his mother played some piano. An early '50's visit to the Bob Wills Ranch House in Dallas (now the Longhorn Ballroom) sealed
 Tommy's fate. Although Wills had left the ballioom by that time, the house band, led by Dewey Groom and featuring the young Johnny Gimble, Curly Hollingsworth and others, knocked Tommy out. He was hooked on western swing.

He has played professionally for nearly 40 years and in 1988 he was inducted into the Texas Steel Guitar Hall of Fanie. Tommy has toured with many of the great musicians of our time and has recently revived western swing by organizing "The Time Warped Cowhands."

## McKINNEY SISTERS <br> BIRMINGHAM, ALA

The McKimney Sisters, Dean and Evelyn, have worked hard perfefcting their close-harmony sound. They were traveling with an evangelist " and from Bob Wills in 1946: "Come at 'once, am sure salary and job will make you happy..."

While working with Wills' Texas Playboys, the sisters performed with Eldon Shamblin, Millard Kelso, Luke and Billy Jack Wills and many others. Dean eventually married the Playboys' fivestring mandolin player, Tiny Moore.
"Evelyn and I are grateful to Bob Wills for those years," Dean said. "Every vocalist and musician should be so lucky as to have a Bob Wills in their life."

## BISCUITS O'BRYAN <br> SONORA, TEXAS

Biscuits O'Bryan is a storyteller, cowboy poet and humorist who has performed at cowboy poetry gatherings, conventions, Chamber of Commerce banquets, schools, fairs, dog fights, mud wrestling, tooth pullings and presidential inaugurations... (well, maybe).

O'Bryan is the creation of the Reverend Monte Jones, Rector of St. John's Episcopal Church in Sonora, Texas, and Vicar of St. James' Church in Fort McKavett. Monte is a 5 th generation Texan and 3rd generation San Angeloan. He holds a B.A. and M.A. in drama, and a Master of Divinity.

Biscuits has been a featured performer each year at the National Cowboy Symposium in Lubbock, Texas, the Covered Wagon Dinner Theater in Sonora, Texas, and for several years at the Texas Folklife Festival in San Antonio.

## HOWARD PARKER <br> GORDON, NEB

Howard Parker grew up on the family ranch south of Gordon, and began his riding career at the age of two when his dad set him astride a spotted mare his grandpa won in a raffle. As a fourth-generation cowboy, he did the ranch Howard Parker chores', trained the horses and helped with the cattle drives. After graduating from high school, Parker cowboyed the next 20 years work--ing for various cow outfits, playing in countity bands and rodeoing.
: When the three-time Nebraska Wtate Rờieo champ hung up his鹃ronc spurs a decade ago, he picked up his guitar and started blending his sounds and images of the Old West with the new. For the past several years, Howard Parker has traveled throughout the west reciting his poetry and singing his songs. He has a relaxed style and lighthearted approach.

## GARY PRESCOTT <br> OVALO, TEXAS

A cowboy singer/songwriter who can work cattle all day and sing around a campfire
night, Gary was raised on a ranch near Bryan, Texas. He worked at the familyowned livestock auction to support his rodeo habit.


Gary has per-
formed at the
National Cowboy Hall of Fame, the National Cowboy Symposium and other notable events.

He was nominated by the Academy of Western Artists in 1996 for male vocalist and songwriter of the year. He and wife Jean also received nominations for duo, entertainers and rising stars of 1996. Their duo album, "Me and My Pard" was nominated for album of the year.

JEAN PRESCOTT
OVALA; TEXAS

## A Texas-born

 writer, Jean wears her heritage as comfortably as an old pair of boots. She performs for cowboy and western music fans across the nation and in Europe.
## Jean has Jean Prescott

become one of the sought after female performers of cowboy and western music today.

The Academy of Western Artists presented Jean with the Wifl Rogers Memorial Female Vocalist of the Year Award in 1996, and she is a finalist for the 1997 Female Vocalist of the Year.

## TATER PASCHAL

Cowboy poet Tater Paschal was born on the banks of the Brazos River. He and his family worked and m aged ranches in both Texas and New Mexico.

Tater's poetry
 includes everything from babies to broncos. Some poems are humorous, and some are humbling tales from the heart about life and its events.

Tater works for various outfits while also cooking on his chuckwagon al gatherings, ranch rodeos, cow workings and competitions:

## CURTIS POTTER

Curtis joined Hank Thompson as a bass player in 1959 as bass player and front man In the next 13 years he performed all over

## RANCH DANCE <br> FIDDLE BAND

Cowboy and ranch dances in theTexas Panhandie and Llano Estacado provide the sound
for the Ranch Dance Fiddle


B a n d . Ranch Dance Musician

## Lanny Fiel

founded the group in 1995 as a result of learning the tradition from cowboy fiddler and ranch foreman Frankie McWhorter, Fiel in turn is teaching the music to young string players.

## LEON RAUSCH <br> FORT WORTH, TEXAS

Leon Rausch is probably one of the last western swing singers left of the old western swing era. Leon comes from a musical family, and learned the bass and guitar from his father and mandolin from his mother. The Rausch family sang for
 church and various gatherings throughout the Missouri area when he was growing up.

In his mid-20s, Leon was singing on television in Oklahoma when Johnnie Lee Wills, Bob Wills' brother, spotted him and invited him to join his band. He later joined Bob Wills and the Texas Playboys as their lead vocalist. Having worked with the legends of our time in country music,

## BUCK REAMS

FORT WORTH, TEXAS
Buck Reams started his singing
career like so many others - in the church choir. He also competed in open rodeo in the rough stock events. In 1977 he organized his first band and continued to play Buck Reams throughout the
Fort Worth area. In 1983 he moved to Shreveport, La., and became a regular on The Louisiana Hayride.

In between the hayride and playing six nights a week in Bossier City, he was foreman for the Diamond $\mathbf{S}$ Rodeo Company. Upon returning to Ft. Worth, Buck hooked up with Red Steagall, and they played a number of venues together.

## HERB REMINGTON

## HOUSTON, TEXAS

Herb Remington is one of the outstanding steel guitar stylists in the music fields.
 the Texas Playboys, Herb H. Remington wrote and recorded the now famous isntrumental hit, "Boot. Heel Drag."

After leaving Bob Wills, Herb worked with Penny and T. Texas Tyler before settling in Houston.

For many years, Herb and his wife Mel traveled the cquntry with their Hawaiian troup,m "The Beachcombers."

Remington is in great demand today as a studio recording artist, sideman and band leader. With Playboys II he has reassembled soem of the outstanding players with Bob Wills.

## KENT ROLLNS <br> HOLLIS, OKLA.

Kent Rollins has been around cattle and horses all of his life. He runs a family owned cow-calf operation near the Red River, A bull rider for 15 years, Rollins also spent four seasons as a guide and outfitter in New Mexico's Gila Kent Rollins Wilderness.

Kent has been writing cowboy poetry and telling stories for audiences for about five years and is in the process of getting a book published. The Rollins family now has a chuckwagon that it caters from, and the Rollins are in the process of opening up a guest ranch on the Red River.

ROSWEL̇L FOLḰLORICO
ROSWELL, N.M.
The Roswell Folklorico began with three couples who, because of their love for Mexican music and dance, decided to organize a group of dancers to perform the many beautiful folklorico dances of Mexico and New Mexico. Currently the group
 has 37 dancers, as young as six years old

Directed by Frank Herrerra, the Roswell Folklorico performs many familiar dances such as "El Jarabe Tapatio," most commonly known as the "Mexican Hat Dance." The group also performs such traditionals as "La Danza De Los Viejitos"

The Dance of the Little Old Men). man - also a poe
This is the sixth consecutive year that the Roswell Folklorico has performed for the Symposium

## LARRY SCOTT <br> SHREVEPORT, LA.

Larry Scott was born in Modesto, Calif., a genuine product of the prune picker era. His family migrated west from Oklahoma and Missouri looking for work. His first recollection of radio was listening to the cattle and hog markets and thus began a long romance with radio, television, country, Larry Soott western and gospel music,
emceeing, cowboys and anything concerning entertainment.

Larry's first announcing job was at KBTN in Neosho, Mo., in April of 1955. Since then the roads have led across the nation to his present home at KWKH in Shreveport. Larry has emceed major country music shows from Carnegie Hall in New York City to the Grand Ol' Opry House in Nashville to the Cow Palace in San Francisco.

Larry is a member of the Texas Western Swing Hall of Fame and has been honored as a major market Disc Jockey of the Year by the Country Music Hall of Fame; Disc Jockey of the Year four times by the Academy of Country Music; and Country Music Disc Jockey by Billboard Magazine. Larry was inducted into the Country Music Dise Jockey Hall of Fame in 1994.

## MAGGIE MAE SHARP

In October of 1996, Maggie Mae was presented with the will Rogers Award for outstanding achievement in the advancement of contemporary cowboy skills as Female Cowboy Poet of 1996 from the academy of Western Artists. She also has been nominated for the 1997 award.

Born on the
Mississippi in Illinois, she grew up working with registered cattle.

She has produced four albums; recently, her newest book, "The Huntress,: was nominated for a Wrangler Award from the National Cowboy Hall of Fame.

She performs at numerous pub lic appearances and guest lectures in university-level women's studies programs in her spare time.

## JIM SHELTON <br> GLENWOOD, N.M.

Jim Shelton is a cowboy, a trap per, a philosopher, and a mountain
man - also a poet of sorts. He has been described as "a fiddler, a fighter, a wild horse rider, and a woodchoppin' son-of-a-buck." He has worked cattle in four states, New Mexico, Arizona, Chihuahua and Sonora. stolen," he says.

## ED STABLER <br> CRAIG, COLO

He and his wife, Mary, now have two ranches near Craig. The gift of a guitar at age 10 prompted a lifelong interest in a wide variety of music. performer since 1990, Ed sings the West. professionally, is not only one of the great drummers and musicians of the westen swing world, but he is also a genuine cowboy and roper raised

His poetry concerns the philosophy of life, but written in cowboy language. Jim writes everything from the heart. "That's the only place I can write 'em from. Everything else I got is either bro-ken-up, wrecked, wore-out, or

Ed Stabler grew up on a small ranch near Colorado Springs, Colo.

A full-time Ed Stabler oldtime cowboy songs as well as many written by contemporary writers including himself. He sings about all aspects of the west and the western lifestyle. His subject matter goes beyond the cowboy to encompass many other people who did their part to settle and develop

## TOMMY DEE THATCHER <br> GRAND SALINE, TEXAS

"Tommy D," as he is known

guitar and is a cowboy poet. He's proud that he and wife Valerie were recently married on a western swing cruise ship with the Texas Playboys.

Valerie Moss-Greene, the fiddler, 'has been arouid western swing and country music all her life. She recently appeared with the Texas Playboys in Ruilhoso.

Vince Moss, on the ${ }^{\text {find }}$ doghouse" bass, has been a count ${ }^{2}$, and western dance instructor 18 years and has traveled exte sively promoting his dance vides. He is a partner in a music an video production with sister Val. ie.

Wendell Sollis, ho taught himself to play the $\mathrm{b}_{\mathrm{w}}$ jo, is curriculum director for the Snyder schools.

## BILLY WALKER

HENDERSONVI ${ }^{\text {BE }}$, TENN.
Known as "The II Texan," Walker is a musician pith 32 top ten hits, over 100 c. rt records, and such No. 1 hits 's "When a
Man Loves a Woman" and
"Charlie's Shoes."

Billboard Magazine lists Billy as one of the top 20 "most played" artists over 20 years.

He's appeared on Hee Haw, the Gra , Ole Opry, the Jimmy Dean Shov rime Time Country and many other TV shows.

He's entertained it lions from the Hollywood Bowl New York over a long career. He siso has performed around the forld, from Austria and England to the Far East.
Billy's life story i, near publication, in a biograp by C. S. Townsend, and in is he ill talk about his narrow esc $e$ from the plane crash that clai d the lives of his friends, inct ling Patsy Cline, Hawkshaw Ha kins and his manager, Randy Hug,

DAN WILLIS
WACO, TEXAS
Dan, cowboy po 3 and storyteller, has a backgro 13 rooted in horses and rodeo cor jetition. He was national finalist bull riding and the RCA "rookie ${ }^{3}$ f the year" in 1965. He spent nir years as a rodeo clown and bull rider.

Best known for his songwriting . and cowboy poetry, Dan is an effective afterdinner speaker.
He's performed throughout Texas, at the National Finals Rodeo in Las Veds, and in
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## Cree Meadows

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