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BIRD IN A BOX

by Hugh & Marilyn Ellison

You can never tell what you may find in Timberon! On the first day of May several early-rising Timberon folk discovered a beautiful big bird by the road across from Roberts Realty. It was obviously some kind of hawk, and just as obviously sick or injured. It could not fly and could barely walk.

Danelle Ross brought a big box to hide him in, and Gary Goss herded the creature into the box. Marilyn happened by and identified it as an Osprey, a large, fish-eating hawk. By the time I got there, several people had gathered to see, and the game warden in the valley had been called. Problem was, she could not get here until afternoon. Since the bird in his box was also in bright, hot sun, I applied a ring of chicken wire and Gary again herded the Osprey up into a shady spot, and we dropped the chicken wire around him. Gary brought him a fish, which he wouldn't eat, and someone supplied a bowl of water for him. Several of us took pictures in the box and in the wire. Much later the game warden came and took him *while nobody was around!*

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THE EARLY DAYS OF TIMBERON, PART IV

For those who did not read the last couple of issues, this is the continuing story of the Timberon Property Owners Association. The papers left behind by this association present a fair reflection of what was going on in Timberon during the earlier years.

These papers were gathered and condensed, without any added commentary or speculation, so you might see things as those early property owners did.

Let us now continue down the road with the Timberon Property Owners; experiencing their hopes, dreams, concerns and decisions that shaped the mountain in ways that we can still see today.

Timberon Log dated January 7, 1978

*Vandalism and lack of interest among the younger set has caused the game room to be closed. A recommendation was made that the pinball machine and pool table be returned to their owners and the room be used for storage.

*Security Officer Bill 'Smitty' Smith reports that a few minor break-ins are occurring, but articles of value have not been taken.

*The Developer, Johnny Mobley, expects an influx of sales personnel this spring and requests additional services from the restaurant.

*The Developer reports that Representative Mershon is working on the road situation. The effort will now be concentrated on getting right-of-way for a road from Sunspot, upon the ridge and into Timberon from the North.

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FIRE ON THE MOUNTAIN

by Dave Ayers

It looks like the fire season in Timberon is starting early this year! The call for the first brush fire of the 1998 season came into the fire station at 1:30 in the morning on Saturday May 2nd.

Even though the area burned was small, approximately 1/8th of an acre, it was not completely extinguished until a little after five in the morning. There was a total of 28 members of the Timberon Volunteer Fire Department involved. Not all were actual

fire fighters, with a host of support personnel at the main station.

The fire was started by charcoal that had not been entirely extinguished. "We were very fortunate that the wind was not blowing or this might have gotten out of hand," Fire Captain Kevin Ross commented.

The Timberon Fire Department is asking everyone who comes to our mountain to please be careful with fires.



The big Oaks by the river tell us that Spring has finally arrived in Timberon.

TIMBERON IS ONE OF ONLY FIVE SCHOOLS IN THE WHOLE STATE

- to have been invited to participate in Lockheed-Martin's Signatures in Space program. They will be sending a poster for our students to sign their names on and Senator John Glenn will carry the poster into space October 29, 1998. This is a quite an honor for the fifteen students that attend the little two room school house here in the Sacramento Mountains of New Mexico.

Lockheed-Martin has invited any interested students from the Timberon School to Florida for a tour of the Kennedy Space Center, a special luncheon, an IMAX movie, and a great seat from which to view the launch of the space shuttle. Wouldn't it be nice if we could send all the students, excluding new kindergarteners, on this trip? It could

be a very disappointing week for any student left behind with a substitute teacher, when the others are having the adventure of their lives.

Because jobs in the mountain communities are scarce and many parents have to do whatever they can to make a living, there are several students that will not be able to attend for financial reasons. The Timberon School Boosters Club, a non-profit organization that works from donations, has made it their goal to raise adequate funds so that all the students may go on the trip.

If you would like to help the children take advantage of this once-in-a-lifetime experience call Debbie Goss at 505-987-2250 or 505-987-2337.

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Dale Flach
General Manager

**Joe A. Welch**

Joe A. Welch, 70, of Timberon, died Tuesday, May 12th, 1998 at his home. Mr. Welch was born March 31st, 1928 in Coyle, Oklahoma to Ed and Virgie Short Welch. He made a career of the U.S. Army, retiring in 1969 as an Army Recruiter with the rank of Sergeant First class. He moved to Timberon 17 years ago.

He is survived by his wife, Alma M. Welch of Timberon, New Mexico; his mother, Virgie Welch of Guthrie, Oklahoma; two step-sons, Danny and Dennis Kennedy, both of Big Spring, Texas; a step-daughter, Louise Kennedy of Timberon, New Mexico; three brothers, Lester Welch, Nathan Welch and Leslie Welch, all of Guthrie, Oklahoma; one sister, Evelyn Eaton of Stillwater, Oklahoma; eleven grandchildren, three great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his father, Ed Welch.

Graveside services were conducted in the Timberon Memorial Park Cemetery on Friday, May 15th, 1998 at 2:00 p.m. with Pastor Buddy Cobb officiating. Military Honors were provided by the Holloman AFB Honor Guard. We will all miss Joe.

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CORRECTIONS AND RETRACTIONS

The policy of this paper is to print corrections for any mistakes that may appear here, whether they be in articles or other forms. When a request is made for a correction to an article or story, we will normally research the subject again to determine whether the request is valid before printing it.

Announcements, events, etc..., however, are considered public service information. In these situations the validity of the new information is not questioned, we merely print the requested correction.

A LITTLE ABOUT THE LAW...

by Sheriff John Lee

It was suggested that this article cover what some of the duties and responsibilities of the Sheriff's Department are versus some of the other law enforcement agencies, such as city and state police. The Sheriff's Office is unique in several ways, first of all (of course), is the fact that the Sheriff is the only law enforcement official in the state that is elected, and therefore the only voice that the people have.

Additionally, the Sheriff's Department has the duty of "Keeper of the peace" in the County, which means that he is responsible for enforcing all criminal and traffic laws. He also serves as the Officer of the Court, which means that I have to provide security for the State Court system, serve all Court Orders, both Civil and Criminal, and extradite all prisoners wanted in Otero County from anywhere in the United States or her territories.

Traditionally, the state police handle all traffic accidents, but when closer we also take care of them. Likewise, the state police will handle criminal calls when they are closer. We also have full power to enforce game and fish laws and regulations. This last part has come in very handy in the Timberon area, as most of you well know.

As you can see, the duties and responsibilities that we in the Sheriff's Department have keep us pretty busy, but we all enjoy what we do and we try to have a little fun at it.

If you have any special areas of the law that you would like for me to talk about, please either call me or contact the paper and I will try to address them for you. I look forward to hearing from you.

By the way, if you haven't had the chance to meet the new Deputy, Don Harris, and his family, please take a little time to welcome them to Timberon. They are good people, and Don is really excited about working up there.

Here is something else that Sheriff Lee would like to say -

I have been your Sheriff for approximately 6 years now, and was Chief Deputy Sheriff for four years before that. Overall, I have over twenty years of law enforcement experience. I would very much enjoy the privilege of continuing to be your Sheriff for the next four years. I believe that I have served you well, and I take great pride in the fact that your Sheriff's Department is one of the finest and most professional law enforcement agencies in the State.

I would also like to remind you that for many years you have asked for a Deputy to be stationed in Timberon, but it was not until I was elected as your Sheriff that you got one. This shows that I do not listen with deaf ears. When Deputy Montoya left to work for Cloudcroft, I immediately took steps to replace him. I do not intend to ignore the needs of the citizens of Timberon, and I believe that my actions have proven this. When problems come up, I have held meetings in Timberon to address them, and to my knowledge, no other Sheriff has ever done this. I believe that you are just as important as anyone else in Otero County, and I will continue to listen and serve. I would appreciate your vote and support in the primary election on June 2nd, and again in November. Thank you.



"THIS POOR LITTLE FLOP EARED DEER IS A SYMBOL OF LUCK AND 'IT' HAS NO NAME."

OUR PRECIOUS SIGHTING

by Mary Jane Davis

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Thanks to the exceptional talent of our Editor, we have one clear photo of our Flop Eared Deer to share with you. It would be great to receive a clearer photo from about three feet away and in full sun. But until then, here is your proof that a Flop Eared Deer exists until you experience the joy of meeting "it" face to face, yourself!

Remember to keep your camera ready every single trip into town residents and visitors alike! You just may be the lucky one to submit the winning photo officially becoming a documented part of history.

I am desperate for your help now! I can't keep referring to our PRECIOUS SIGHTING as an "it", forever. Won't you please help me find a name for "it" by sending your suggestion to us? I know you can come up with a very intelligent, charming, and original name.

DON'T WORRY ABOUT WHETHER IT IS A GIRL'S NAME OR A BOY'S

NAME... JUST HURRY AND SEND YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS IN. There will be no limit to how many suggestions you may send in, but we are setting a time limit for the actual acceptance of your entry for judging. So! HURRY AND SEND YOURS IN NOW.

We must receive your contest entries at the newspaper office by July 30. The editor will be the final judge as to which name we will officially bestow on our PRECIOUS SIGHTING. Don't wait! Send in your recommendation TODAY! We have already received some interesting names, but yours may be the best. You won't know if you don't send it in.

Don't let the little guy down. He NEEDS a name! A good one!

I could have sworn I saw a tear in his eye the last time I saw him. He looked very sad....and so are we! After all...how would you feel without a name?

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ish and Game thinks they could be from a bear, but we believe a porcupine is to blame for these gnaw marks on the door trim of the Timberon Post Office. What do you think?



Ted McCutcheon is running for Magistrate Judge, Division 1 and is a politician' that cares enough about the interests of the people in Timberon o show up for a meeting with the community last month.

His platform for the election is-

1. Common Sense
2. Fairness
3. Integrity
4. Equal Justice
5. Family Values
6. Mediation

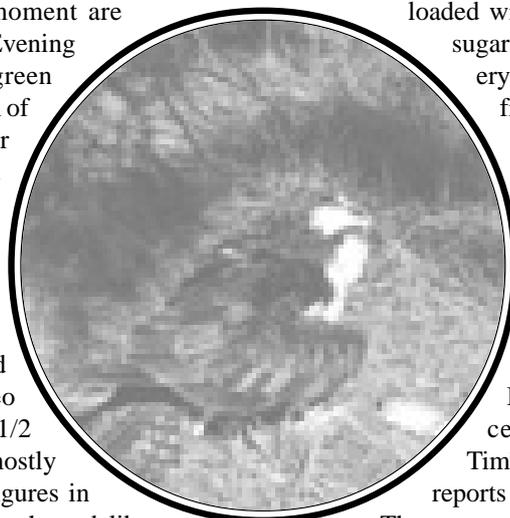
Ted has lived in Alamogordo for the past 20 years. He was in the Army o 6 years. He has been married for 20 years and has 6 children and 4 randchildren. Ted states, "I have no ties to Special Interest groups, I am oncerned about fairness in the Courts to all people of Otero County."

Ospreys are beautiful birds. They have white heads marked with brown, a fierce yellow eye, and an unkempt sort of top-knot which extends back toward the neck. Their under-parts are white, as are the legs, and the back and wings are a dark brown. They have a nictitating membrane, a transparent eyelid which slides back and forth, from front to back of each eye. The body is up to 25 inches long, and the wing span can be as much as 72 inches! They have been seen here before near the lakes on the golf course. All who admired this injured bird are eager to know his fate, which may be described elsewhere in this paper.

We are in the midst of migration, and our most beautiful birds may now be seen in Timberon. Begin with warblers, here for a very short time, but a source of beauty and delight if we are lucky enough to see one or two. We have seen four different species in our yard. They are most observable at our water pan or fountain, as are many kinds of birds in this dry period. We have had a look at Townsend's, Virginia's, Grace's, and Yellow-rumped Warblers in the past week, and have observed as many as four Yellow-rumps at one time! Another beauty is the tiny Lesser Goldfinch. They are often in the company of common Pine Siskins, but have a brilliant, pale-yellow breast and belly. They will come to a feeder if you are serving thistle seeds for dinner. Warblers, by the way, are bug eaters, and will not come to seed feeders. Attract them with water.

Other beauties of the moment are Black-headed Grosbeaks. Evening Grosbeaks (with the big green beak) are here also, and both of these birds nest here. Our best singers are here now. You can hear the song of Robins several times a day. You may not realize that the Black-headed Grosbeak's song is very much like the Robin's song, but quieter and shorter. The Solitary Vireo sings very loudly for a 5 1/2 inch bird. Its call consists mostly of pairs of short melodic figures in which the first turns upward at the end, like a question, while the second turns downward like the answer. They sing from the tops of trees, and are quite hard to see. They have a grayish back and wings, with two white wing bars. The underside is white or nearly so and the bird wears spectacles with a white frame! Maybe you can spot one before you get "warbler neck" from looking up too long. Perhaps our *most* beautiful bird is the Western Tanager, whose red, yellow and black coloring is truly spectacular.

They are very big and very quiet, but quite beautiful.



Marilyn mentioned his name yesterday as she was helping me prepare for this writing, and a moment later, there he was on the water pan for a drink! We have not seen the Hepatic Tanager yet, but he should be here... a brilliant, all-over red bird with darker wings. Also look for two blue *colored* birds which are not Bluebirds. Both Blue Grosbeaks and Indigo Buntings should be here now or very soon. Pastor Buddy Cobb believes he has seen a pair of Lazuli Buntings building a nest in his yard. I guess that makes it *three blue colored birds* to look for besides Western and Mountain Bluebirds.

You might wish to listen for owls this month. There are numerous pairs of Great Horned Owls in Timberon most years, and they can sometimes be seen in daytime. Listen especially for a small diurnal [daytime] owl called Northern Pygmy. They can be heard during the day, at times, making a long series of sounds on a single pitch. Listen in the early evening for the Common Poorwill. A member of the Night Jar family, this bird is almost never seen in daytime, although if an owl-like bird flies up out of the road into your carlights, it may be a Poorwill!

Please keep plenty of fresh water out for the birds in dry periods. They will reward you by coming in very close for a long drink. Our first Hummer is here. The Broad-tailed Hummingbird whistles as he works... or as he does *everything*, in fact. Keep feeders out

loaded with sugar-water [4 water to 1 sugar] and change the contents every few days. A clean feeder with fresh feed will bring you the best Hummer watching.

By the way, if you see any extra large hummingbird in Timberon this season, please call 987-2513 and leave a report, telling us where and when, and who saw it. Two Mexican species, the Bluethroated and the Magnificent, are frequently seen in Timberon, and a state group wants reports on what we see of these birds.

They are very big and very quiet, but quite beautiful.

Keep an eye out for the Black-chinned Hummingbird, and in July for the return of Rufous, the copper-colored BOSS Hummingbird. Meantime, should you spot a big box by the road, you might take a cautious peek inside. Could be *another* Bird in a Box!

TED "MAC"

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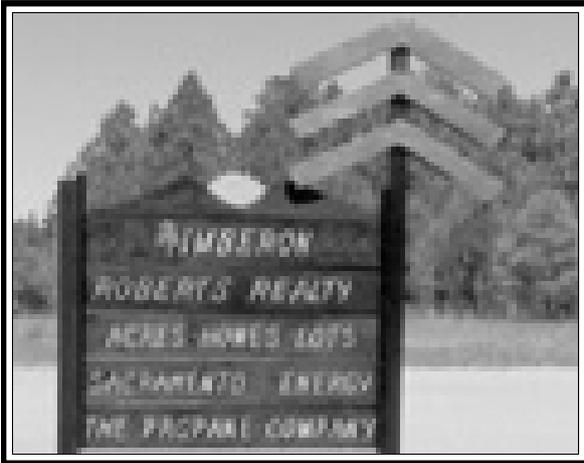


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Sacramento Energy will be displaying some of what they offer in the central lobby. This is not a new business, just an expanding one in a new location.



Timberon Mercantile will open its doors for business on Memorial Day Weekend. It will offer quite a variety of hardware supplies and camping equipment.

Timberon Mercantile will be located right next to, and in the same building as, Jo's Country Clippers by the Timberon Mall.

At the time of this article there was as yet no sign for the business and the hours had not been set.

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Maximum total cost will be \$40 plus tax for nonmembers.
Deadline for this tournament is Saturday May 23.
Call the pro shop for more details.

GOLF
A SWING THOUGHT
by Herb Wimberly

The head plays an extremely vital role in the golf swing and it is not the "thinking" aspect I am referring to. A *stationary* head position or center point of the full swing, is our thought. How many times have you heard the statement: Keep your head *down* and your *eyes on the ball!!* Many times, I am sure.

It is not so much "looking up" that causes trouble, as it is a complete lack of a consistent center point through the swing - take

note of the many blind golfers who play the game. It's got to be: keeping the head steady for them.

The best, most productive golf swing closely resembles a circle traced with the clubhead, providing the head maintains a position in line with the right side of the ball and a radius is created by an extended left arm and club shaft (the opposite for left-handers).

Beware of keeping the head down too

much - in an attempt to keep the eyes on the ball, many golfers are doomed before the swing begins by tucking the chin into the neck. Normal shoulder movement is now restricted and the head will probably move considerably, on the back swing and through the swing. Leave room under the chin and discover a much freer, productive back swing - and a head position that remains steady!!

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LINCOLN NATIONAL FOREST

by Peg Crim

Q&A QUIZ: What agency is responsible for managing the wildlife populations that visit your homes and Forest?

RECREATION

The Blake Company is back and all campgrounds are expected to open on May 1st. Sleepy Grass Campground may open later as there is still a lot of snow there. Sleepy Grass Picnic Area is open. As always, group campgrounds may be reserved by calling 1-800-80-2267. Family campgrounds are available on a first-come, first-served.

Upper Karr Recreation Area, the Trestle Recreation Area, and James Canyon Campground are open. Karr Canyon Picnic Area will open when the Karr Canyon road is driveable. As always, visitors may hike, camp, ski, picnic, or otherwise enjoy themselves anywhere on National Forest land that is not posted closed. Motorized vehicles may be driven up to 300 feet off open roads for the purpose of camping.

According to New Mexico state law, it is unlawful to park any motor vehicle or to camp within 300 yards of any man-made water hole, water well, or watering tank used by wildlife or domestic stock without prior consent of the private landowner, private land lessee, or public land management agency.

Although we will be missing Herb Hammond's expertise, we will have Saturday night interpretive programs at the Silver Amphitheater beginning on Memorial Day weekend. Please come join us for an interesting and enjoyable evening.

TRAIL

All trails are open, however, conditions vary greatly. Clear dry areas suddenly turn to mud, snow, or ice. Often, trees and other debris falls on trails. If you run across any areas that require Forest Service attention, please call or come by the office and give us a description of the problem, including the location. As always, we appreciate any assistance from the public with small trail obstructions that can be safely cleared.

Most trails on the Sacramento Ranger District are open for non-mechanized uses (such as hikers, horse-back riders, skiers, and snowmobilers) and mechanized uses (mountain bikers and motorized vehicles less than 50 inches in width). These trails are shown in green on the Lincoln National Forest Travel Map. Trails that are red on the Travel Map are open to non-motorized and non-mechanized travel only. Please be considerate of all trail users.

WATER

Do you hunt on Federal (Forest Service or Bureau of Land Management) land in New Mexico? If you do, you must have a Habitat Stamp to go with your license. Where does the money you pay go? Well, about twenty individuals will spend their summer completing wildlife habitat projects on the Lincoln National Forest. Planned projects include water developments such as umbrella trick tanks, spring developments, and drinker installations, the creation of openings in the forest, the fencing of riparian areas, fishery improvements, and various vegetation manipulation treatments.

Water developments are strategically placed to ensure year-round water availability for any wildlife species. Openings break up the forest canopy, allowing different plant species to grow there than in the surrounding forest. This variety in the environment increases the types of habitat available for various wildlife species. Riparian areas are sometimes fenced out for wetland rehabilitation and restoration which benefits all species. Various fishery improvement projects are planned to increase fish cover, maintain proper creek temperatures, increase food sources, and improve spawning habitat. Vegetation treatments include thinning pinyon-juniper woodlands and prescribed burning to encourage browse species.

WILDLIFE

If they're not already here, our summer visitors should be arriving soon. If you begin feeding the hummingbirds, please continue through the entire season as they come to rely on your generosity. Remember that the bears and raccoons will be back, also. Do not leave any food out for them. Once fed, they will return time after time looking for food. If food is not easily accessible, they will make it so, whether you want them to or not.

BUYING LAND????

If you are purchasing land, always make sure that it has legal access from a public road. If there is other private land between the land you are purchasing and a public road, there should be some type of documentation that you will have access across that land. Documentation may include an easement or documentation in the deeds. (We are NOT legal experts and this is NOT legal advice—if you have questions, please consult a professional).

If you must cross land administered by the Lincoln National Forest to get to your private property, i.e., your property is surrounded by Federal land and no public road accesses it, please give us a call at the Ranger Station.

FIRE HAZARDS AT YOUR HOME

If your house is in the forest, stop by our office and pick up a Wildland Home Fire Risk Meter. The WHFRM is a simple-to-use device that will identify the level of risk your home may be exposed to during a forest fire. It also gives recommendations that you could implement to reduce the risk. **QUANTITIES ARE LIMITED!**

FIRE

Weather permitting, the Slash Disposal Pit on Highway 244 will be open Saturday, May 9th and Sunday, May 17th, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Residents may bring any natural woody debris (logs, branches, leaves), but no trash, lumber, root wads or sawdust. This service is for private citizens clearing woody debris from their property, not commercial haulers. All debris must be free of rocks, mud, and excessive dirt.

Landowners must bring their own debris to the disposal site and will be asked to fill out a short questionnaire. There is no charge for bringing debris to the site.

When doing any burning on your private property, please contact your local Forest Service office in addition to the Sheriff's office. Phone numbers are: 682-2551, 437-2286, or 687-3411. On Sundays, use the 437-2286 number. If we know you're burning on purpose, we won't come put it out!

Fire Management personnel from the Sacramento Ranger District are offering their services to local homeowners to identify fire hazards around the home. These hazards include trees too close to the house, shrubs, ground litter and fire wood. If you would be interested in this service, please call Kathy Montgomery at 682-2551 and we will set up a time to come to your home.

FUELWOOD

Dead and down pinyon and juniper is available at the Bluewater Clearcut area. Dead and down mixed conifer is available at Dry Burnt (logging slash) and dead and down ponderosa pine, pinyon, and juniper is available at Board (logging slash). Green standing pinyon and juniper is available at the Ivan fuelwood area. Stop by the office for more information and to purchase a permit.

NM State law requires that any person cutting, removing, transporting, or selling any woody materials must have the written consent of the owner or proof of ownership with them. This is required whether the woody materials are cut from public or private land.

Fuelwood is sometimes available from the Bureau of Indian Affairs at Mescalero. Call 671-4410 for information. Several local sawmills and timber companies also sell firewood. Contact them directly for more information.

MISCELLANEOUS FOREST PRODUCTS

Permits for wildings (small trees to be transplanted to your yard) may be purchased at the Ranger Station. Prices vary depending upon tree size. Fall, after the first frost, is the best time to transplant trees.

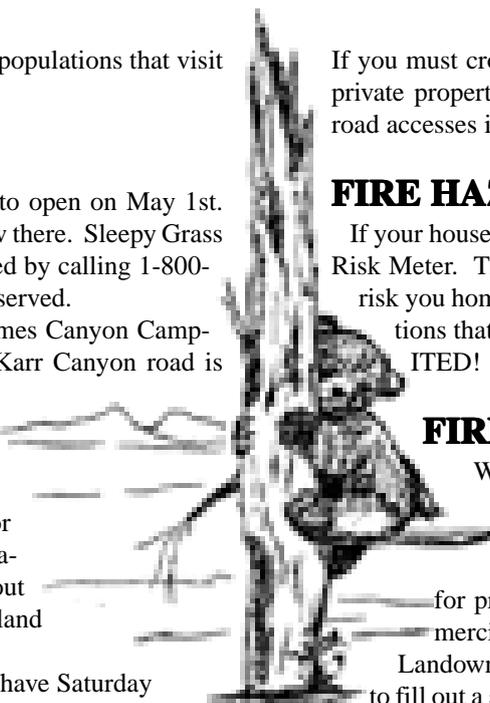
Permits for posts and poles (pinyon, pine, aspen, or juniper) may also be purchased at the Ranger Station.

OFFICE HOURS

The Sacramento Ranger District office in Cloudcroft is open Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Beginning on May 23, the office will also be open on Saturdays from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. If you would like specific information on an event, campground, fuelwood area, or other topic, please write to: District Ranger, P.O. Box 288, Cloudcroft, NM 88317, or phone (505) 682-2551.

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(National Migratory Bird Treaty Act), the Lacey Act (transport of wildlife across state lines), and ESA (Endangered Species Act).



BUGS AND BIRDS

by Hugh & Marilyn Ellison

Every morning these days, we are awakened by birds! Shortly after dawn, Yellow-rumped Warblers and Western Tanagers begin chasing and eating miller moths in a real frenzy of feeding that lasts until mid-morning. Some of the birds continue to feed on the bugs for the rest of the day, and a few Stellar's Jays also join in the chase now and then.

The Western Tanager is described as a summer resident, and is here in small numbers at this time of year. The Yellow-rumped Warbler is classed as a *resident*, but winters at lower elevations, and is also here in small numbers at this time. At

is only a little less beautiful. The male is of an overall bluish gray color, but he has brilliant yellow patches on his crown, cheeks, neck, breast, and rump. The female is similarly colored, but is less brilliant. The female Western Tanager, by the way, is a nice dull yellow all over.

We presume that the sudden abundance of the moths has caused the birds to stay longer than usual and to call in all their friends and relatives. I hope you can spot a similar phenomenon at your house, but look quickly. We already see fewer of the Warblers at this writing, and they will all be gone soon, leaving us to cope with the rest of the plague of miller moths!

ur place, we usually see only one or two of each species for only a few days most years. However, *this* year is a record setter. We estimate that we have 40 to 50 Yellow-rumps and 5 to 30 Tanagers this year. That is just at our house, and the woods are full of them! Furthermore, they have been waking us at dawn for a good 10 days.

I have already described the spectacular Western Tanager. The Yellow-rumped Warbler



[Bird in a Box Bugs and Birds don't you love alliteration?]

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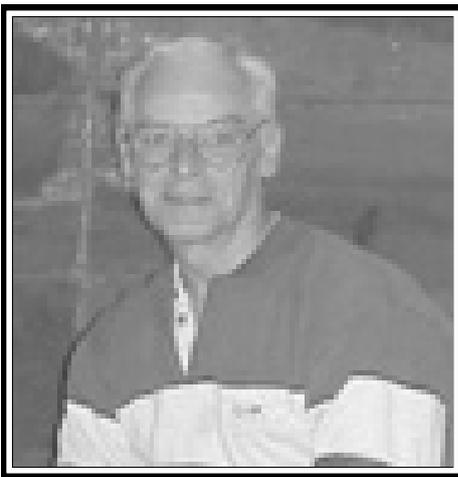
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Gary Scott, General Manager

TIMBERON GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT FOR APRIL, 1998

by Gary Scott

PARKS AND RECREATION: The men's locker room in the Pro Shop building and several adjacent rooms were redesigned and constructed for accommodations for the new golf course manager. Final inspection was made by the New Mexico construction inspector and was accepted.

As reported last month, the FAA requires TWSD to have a survey conducted on the airstrip to determine the elevations of ob-

structions on the approaches and on either side of the runway. Molzin-Corbin and Associates were the lowest bidders, the surveyors arrived in Timberon on Tuesday May 5th to conduct the two day study.

The swimming pool cover purchased last fall proved to be a good investment. It eliminated all algae growth during the winter which reduced the pool preparation and labor cost by at least two weeks. The existing pool pump was found to be undersized and a new pool motor was ordered. In the past several years, pool tiles have been falling off around the edges, new tiles have been purchased and installed.

#3 lake has been sealed, river run rock placed around the perimeter, water pumped into it and it is now to its full level. This project has been completed.

WATER DEPARTMENT: Approximately 100 gallons per minute began to flow in the south collection system at the springs. With the assistance of Jean Campbell and Kevin Ross, the crew is piping this water into the main collection box.

A 3 inch check valve has been installed and a 4 inch check valve will be installed in the near future to prevent back flow from the golf course water lines.

The 4 inch meter on occasion would run backwards, causing a false meter reading and meter usage charge.

The water department reports the installation of one new meter; replaced five meters; two seasonal reconnects and one meter being unlocked. There were thirteen water line/valve repairs made during the month of April.

ADMINISTRATION: John Secret of Tom's Secret Candy and Confectionery wholesalers in Alamogordo has agreed to furnish a 22 selection vending machine for the swimming pool, also Coca Cola of Alamogordo will provide Timberon with three pop machines. The pop machines will be located at the Pro Shop, Lodge and swimming pool. Both company's will provide their machines at no cost to Timberon, in return we have agreed to maintain and operate the machines and to purchase their product.

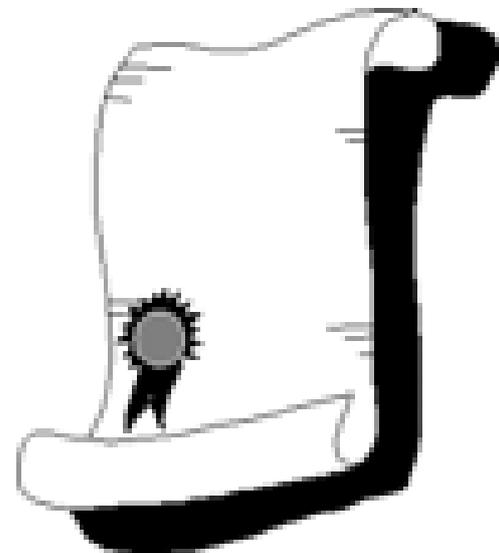
Dell Telephone reports three new installations and ten seasonal reconnects during the month. Our realtors report the sale of one lot and one home.



The MAST helicopter sitting on the airstrip tie-down area waiting for a patient to be stabilized and loaded. It sure is good to know that we have this lifesaving service for the injured and the seriously ill.

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A Timberon Wedding

Ray Wilson and Gloria Spradley were married on Thursday, May 14th by Pastor Buddy Cobb in the Timberon Chapel. Below is a pictorial representation of the wedding-



On the left - Pastor Buddy Cobb joins Ray and Gloria in the holy bonds of matrimony.



In her studio, here on the mountain, Bonnie Starr is working on a stained glass door panel that will be donated to the Timberon Chapel.



On the left - While outside some of our older kids decorate the bride and groom's car. The faces of the culprits have been hidden to protect their identity.



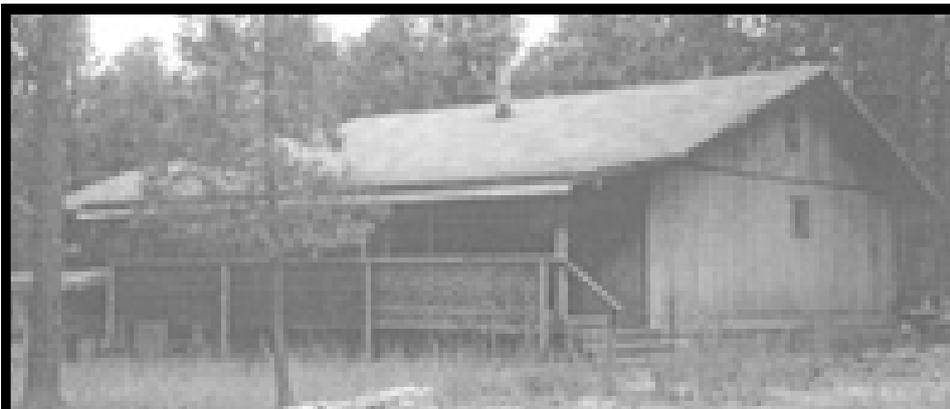
Below - Our newlyweds manage to get in the car and are ready to leave for their honeymoon.



Above - The happy couple comes out of the Chapel and sees their newly decorated car.



Above - Down the road they go in a cloud of dust. Happy trails to you, Ray & Gloria!



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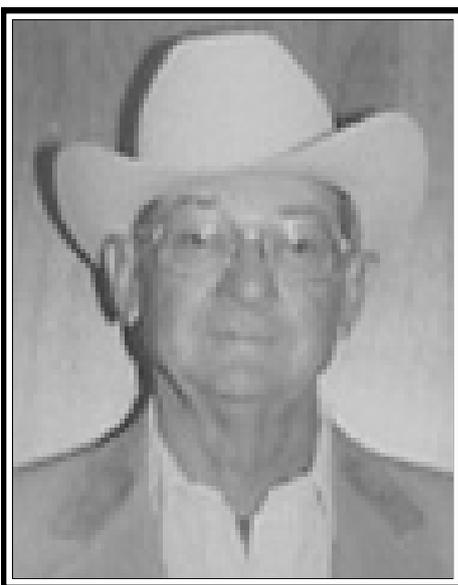
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Harry West says contributions to the imberon Mountaineer have picked up and e believes the publication will now be vi- ble, however more articles are needed for ublication from members.

It is agreed that an under-cover man may e employed periodically, if requested by the ecurity Officer and Registered Agent.



Roy Sellers

Timberon Log dated March 4, 1978

A letter is sent to the State Highway Com- ission stating that the Property Owners ould relieve them of liabilities for any in- uries during the time that they would be epairing and improving the road over to 506. The Fire Department buys a resuscitator



Bill 'Smitty' Smith

ith revenue sharing funds allotted by the ounty.

Harry West expresses his delight at the rogress being done on the Pro Shop in the ast couple of months.

The Security Officer reports flagrant vio- ations by game poachers in Timberon. One

violator has been arrested, but several more were accessories to the fact.

*An Environmental and Wildlife Protection Committee was established in Timberon. Committee members were Ed Jennings, Bill Smith, Bobby Williamson, George Cliff and Lew Lund.

Timberon Log dated October 28, 1978

*Steve Hollabaugh is hired as maintenance man after Lee Jennings resigns.

*A lawsuit is filed against the Army to al- low a road from 506 to be cut due North into Timberon.

*Dell City Telephone Cooperative receives a low interest federal loan to bring service into Timberon.

*Property Owners get free use of the slopes at Ski Cloudcroft.

*In T-8 fifty-one percent of the Property Owners vote to reduce the square footage from 1,000 to 850 for home size.

Timberon Log dated March 17, 1979

*The Developer deeds the Lodge to the Property Owners.

*Harry West reports that the Spring edition of the Timberon Mountaineer is about ready for publication, but mailing funds are run- ning low.

*The Developer states that the Land Office would soon receive their new computer and that the old one would be donated to the Property Owners. However, in the end it is donated to the El Paso Public School Sys- tem instead.

*There are two minor break-ins of cabins and the vandalism of the school bus reported by Security.

Timberon Log dated June 23, 1979

*A barrier of cross-ties are place between the propane tanks and parking lot after the propane truck's brakes fail, it rolls down the slope and knocks the tanks off their mountings. There was no explosion.

*The fishing limit is set at 6 per day per fam- ily, as suggested by Roy Sellers, and all fish caught must be kept.

*The Property Owners Association agrees to furnish the prize of golf woods at the Fire- cracker Open tournament on the 4th of July.

*The Summer edition of the Timberon Mountaineer is about ready for publication, but is currently about \$158 in debt. The Developer agreed to pay the postage and the Property Owners Association will pay the \$158 needed to complete the printing.

Timberon Log dated September 15, 1979

*The Property Owners Association buys a TRS-80 computer from Radio Shack after attending an impressive demonstration of the machine.

*It is reported that Lou Fetters will be com- ing soon to present a plan from Tri-State Associated Grocers for delivery of supplies to the General Store and Lodge Restaurant.

*O'Neal James presents a proposal for trash removal service in Timberon.

*Hunting in Timberon is again limited only to members of the Property Owners Asso- ciation.

*A barbecue pit is built behind the Lodge.

Timberon Log dated October 27, 1979

*The Lodge restaurant has been remodeled and is operating in the black.

*There is new pavement placed around the Lodge.

*Trash is no longer being dumped at the Lodge and there is a trash pick-up service available if you wish to subscribe.

*The need for building a fire station and getting a school in Timberon is discussed.

*Appreciation is expressed for the County getting the roads into Timberon in such good shape.

Timberon Log dated January 26, 1980

*Most Association Members are sending donations to the fire department along with their dues and the Property Owners Asso- ciation donates \$1,000 to the Fire Depart- ment Building Fund.

*The Developer proposes to donate three additional acres of land to the Timberon Chapel, one acre for expansion / parking and two acres for a cemetery.

*Pastor Frank Wheeler proposes that the Property Owners Association accept the cemetery acres and administer the operation of it. The Association agrees to do this de- pendent upon findings concerning State and Federal regulations.

Timberon Log dated May 31, 1980

*Harry West requests aid in publishing the next edition of the Timberon Mountaineer.

The Developer agrees to pay for half of the cost while the Property Owners Association agrees to pay the remaining half. Harry states that he is going to ask for subscrip- tions for future editions.

*Dell City Telephone is committed to hav- ing telephone service installed by January 1, 1981.

*Security reports that a gang of robbers are operating in the area, but have not as yet shown up in Timberon.

Timberon Log dated October 25, 1980

*Roy Sellers, the President of the Property Owners Association, submits the following letter: After leaving the meeting Saturday, I saw several Bow Hunters driving trucks around the Golf Course area. Sunday morn- ing, I saw the same thing again. I asked if we had a designated area for hunting and was told yes, but the hunters didn't seem to pay any attention to regulations.

With the National Forest and all the other open hunting areas, do we have to get some- one seriously injured or killed to stop hunt- ing in Timberon?

I believe that 90% of all members would rather watch the game we have than to hunt them, and I know 99% of the people who live here are afraid to get outside of their homes during hunting season. I would ap- preciate it if this matter would be consid- ered by the Association soon.

*A Crime Stoppers program is started in conjunction with Otero County.

*A school building is brought in, with class to begin next year.

To be continued next month...



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MAY 6, 1998 MEETING

MAY 9, 1998 MEETING

TIMBERON WATER & SANITATION DISTRICT



Jean Campbell, Chairman



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Marilyn Ellison, Treasurer



Ray Wilson, Director



Lester Johnson, Director



Gary Scott, General Manager



Debbie Goss, Secretary

(Work Session) Board members present were Lester Johnson, Ray Wilson, Jean Campbell and Marilyn Ellison.

Jack Deaton asked about siding the pro shop as soon as possible. Scott has received some preliminary quotes and estimates \$40,000 for all necessary repairs including a storage room off the kitchen.

Jack Deaton also requested an airstrip update. The surveyors are in Timberon today. Lester Johnson asked how much the survey would cost. The quote was not to exceed \$1,800.

Lighting will be in place at the community center park before 4th of July.

Jean Campbell proposed to seal Lake #1. It could possibly be used for a fishing lake while the Lodge lakes were being resealed.

Jean Campbell asked about a resolution to stop open fires in Timberon. But T.W.S.D. does not have the authority to enforce such a resolution. Lester Johnson asked about employees being removed from the Timberon Volunteer Fire Department. The reason was because they had not attended adequate training to be carried by the insurance.

Jean Campbell proposed a storage shed be built for twenty one golf carts and six spaces could be rented out.

Marilyn Ellison asked that street signs be repaired. Perhaps the County would help with the cost.

Jean Campbell asked to clarify whether the Board had agreed to cover the pro shop deck and add a storage room off the kitchen. It was agreed. Ray also added that foam board insulation should be used when siding the pro shop to save on heating costs.

The total cost of capital improvements comes to approximately \$88,000.

Jack Deaton asked Scott to explain employee privileges. There was some discussion whether golf carts should be free on weekends to employees or a restriction should only be placed during tournaments. The matter will be on Saturday's agenda.

Mickey Hardesty requested that T.W.S.D. print a notice for the parade on the June water billing, mow the bar ditches, and clear downed trees near the basketball court. Electricity will cost \$2.50 per booth per day. Ray Wilson will provide trash containers. The parade banner will be hung on the basketball court fence.

The floor was turned over to Mr. Richard Hesse. He has received no response to his request for 27% of the water rights at Carissa Springs. He is taking no response as a negative answer and assumes no water service will be provided to him. Mr. Hesse stated that he now owns all property previously held by First National Bank of Alamogordo. T.W.S.D. has agreed to supply him with one hundred meters. Mr. Hesse said he had not been informed of this and it was not acceptable anyway.

Jack Deaton motioned to adjourn and Ray Wilson seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

(Regular Meeting) Board members present were Jean Campbell, Ray Wilson, Marilyn Ellison, Jack Deaton, and Lester Johnson.

The minutes of the meetings held on March 14, 1998, April 8, 1998 and April 14, 1998 were read. There were some corrections before the minutes were approved.

The Treasurer's report for March and April were read. Marilyn Ellison motioned to table approval of the treasurer's reports until the CPA could check the reporting of standby receipts. Debbie Goss explained that the auditor has requested the accounts receivable be reconciled with the accounting software on a monthly basis. In doing this, the books will reflect standby fees as sales when they are billed in February and only billing adjustments will show up in other months. Ray Wilson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Old Business:

Scott reported that Molzin and Corbin were presently conducting an elevation survey of the airstrip. This survey will go to the FAA for approval of public airstrip designation.

Mr. Richard Hesse has declared that he has purchased all remaining land owned by First National Bank of Alamogordo and demanded 27% of the water rights from Carissa Springs. Jack read a letter dated January 9, 1998 stating that T.W.S.D. was willing to allow 100 water meters to Mr. Hesse.

New Business:

Capital projects to be included in the preliminary budget are siding and repairs for the pro shop building-\$40,000, sealing lake #1-\$32,000, reconfiguring lake #7-\$7,200, and construction of a golf cart shed-\$8,200.

Employee privileges are not to include golf carts on weekends and holidays that involves a tournament. Swimming privileges will not change from last season.

Directors Remarks:

Lester Johnson felt signs should be posted on the golf course asking golfers not to re-adjust sprinkler heads while T.W.S.D. is watering because it will ruin them and they are very costly to replace.

Jack Deaton moved to have an employee pay to use a golf cart during tournaments. Lester Johnson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Jack Deaton expressed his opinion that property owners should be allowed to have a small campfire on their property and that T.W.S.D. should follow Forest Service lead when restricting campfires in Timberon. Jean Campbell turned the floor over to fire chief, Dave Ayers. Mr. Ayers stated that he didn't think T.W.S.D. could enforce any fire restriction resolutions because Timberon falls under Otero County jurisdiction. Jean Campbell suggested posting "No Campfire" signs and Dave agreed that the fire department could do that. Property owners must notify the sheriff's department before any controlled burns and immediate access to water is required by the State Fire Marshall.

Jean mentioned a letter received by the Attorney General regarding a complaint from Mr. Norkunas regarding Open Meetings Act violations. He indicated that the AG had cleared T.W.S.D. but that another complaint from Mr. Norkunas was forthcoming.

Four people are currently being certified for lifeguards.

The Springs collection project is finally completed.

The cemetery committee is still working on dissolution. It will need some maintenance in the near future. Jack Deaton will look for volunteers.

Manager's Report:

The swimming pool has been painted and loose tiles have been replaced. Scott is pleased with the performance of the new winter pool cover. It kept the pool algae free all winter making spring startup easier. A new pool pump should be in this week. Vending machines will be placed in the community center, pro shop and pool area.

Agenda Request:

Leslie Coutant requested that T.W.S.D. install a telephone information line for weekends and holidays to inform nonresidents of events in Timberon. She also requested trash containers to be emptied by T.W.S.D. employees. The board felt that one for aluminum cans only would be okay.

Ray Wilson moved to adjourn and Lester Johnson seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

Both meetings of the Water District Board printed above were taken verbatim from the unofficial minutes of the District secretary.

THIS PAPER'S POLITICAL POLICY

The Mountain Times is not a politically oriented newspaper. It will, however, publish any information that affects the residents and property owners of the mountain. Letters are welcome, if you have any questions or comments, we will try to find you some answers or responses. Two pages in every issue are set aside for the sole use of political news, if there is enough.

As is our way, we will only report political events when they become a reality. Sometimes this means waiting until there is sufficient evidence or documentation. This means that the readers may not get those "hot breaking stories," however, it virtually eliminates the chance of getting "all fired up" over what turns out later to be nothing.

We hesitate to report rhetoric and will never report hearsay or speculation. There will be those occasional editorials, commentaries and political ads, but they will be relevant and conform with our political policy. The Editor will always have full control over what will be accepted in the way of ads or commentary.

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6. **PREPARE FOR THE LONG HAUL** — Follow the plan. Don't be tempted to over react to short-term market fluctuations. Chasing "hot" tips could damage your long-term plan.

7. **SCHEDULE REGULAR PORTFOLIO CHECKUPS** — Your financial portfolio may need gradual adjustment as your lifestyle changes. You should review your holdings with your financial advisor at least once a year. If you have a major life change (e.g., baby, marriage, job change or early retirement), make an immediate appointment.

COMPUTERS AND THE YEAR 2000

Like a lot of things today, this newspaper is totally computerized. Computers are very useful tools as many, including myself, will tell you. There would absolutely be no economically feasible way to do this newspaper in its current form without a computer.

Computers made it possible for me to be in the newspaper business and for that I am grateful. But, can you trust a computer? The answer to that question is, unfortunately, no. Trust is not a word used when it comes to computers, as anyone who has worked with them for an extended period will tell you. In fact, most of us have expended vast amounts of time and energy finding ways to get around having to trust our computers. Don't let me wrong, I really like my computer and we get along very well most of the time. However, I also do complete back-up cop-

ies of all my important data, because I know from experience that my friend, the computer, can turn nasty in a second and bite me in ... ah ... destroy all my work.

Now we are told that the very heart of many computer systems, the BIOS, may have a problem with the year 2000. A lot of older programs will also have the same problem because, like some BIOS, they read the years date as a two digit number, 1998 is read as 98 for example. This will cause them to misinterpret the year 2000 as 1900 because they are both 00 to the program. Every single computer, with the possible exception of Pentium systems bought after 1995 and any Apple computer (they have always interpreted the date as a four digit number, instead of two) will be affected in some way by this flaw. As a result, every-

one needs to check their systems and the programs they run on them.

My computer and all the programs I run on it test out fine for the year 2000, so I don't need to worry, or do I? No man, or computer as it turns out, is an island. The whole world is computerized, our banks and government, for example, rely heavily on computers and probably can't function without them. Computer chips effect a lot more than you might think. They are in VCRs, cars, power grids, telephone systems, medical devices, oil rigs, bank vaults, satellites, nuclear plants, etc...

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TIMBERON BAPTIST CHAPEL NEWS

The month of May brings tremendous blessings to everyone. The Springtime in the Rockies is about ended. May heralds the coming Summer in Timberon. This is always an exciting time for our community. School is almost over and the time of graduation is in May. This means that a new generation of youth will enter the secular world. They will either continue on in college education or enter the job market.

The success or failure of these young people depends entirely upon their relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ. Our home life may be either good or bad but this is only a step in the path of life. Salvation is the implanting of eternal life by God Almighty into the individual believer. This is an instantaneous action that never ceases. This is the blessing of completely trusting Jesus Christ as your personal Savior. We receive eternal life (John 10:28-30). This is the action of our wonderful Lord and we can never lose it. This action becomes the director and disciplines our lives. My prayer is that everyone may hear the truth of God's Word and enjoy this provision given us by the Lord Jesus Christ.

May 25 is Memorial Day. This is a special day for everyone who lives in America. This is the day we honor those in military service who paid the supreme sacrifice in the service of our country. They gave their lives that we may enjoy the benefits of freedom. We exist today because these men and women elected to serve their country and thereby serve God Almighty. They are the elite of our nation. The Lord Jesus Christ raises up Priests Nations during the history of the world. These nations provide the divine structure under the hand of the Lord Jesus Christ to serve the world by being an



example to all other nations. The nation Israel is the nation used by God as an example to all the world. These people are still the example to us today. We must learn from their history just how to manage our nation under the hand of the Lord.

We have a large movement in America today that is doing everything to discredit and disband our military forces. This group deserves a personal escort to the border of our great nation and exiled to Cuba or some other totalitarian communist country. It is very unfortunate that some "religious groups" clasp hands with these liberals. They teach that the entire world is under Satanic control and that we are not responsible to the laws of our nation. Avoid these people with all alacrity! These people are the symptom of Satanic invasion. Stand with the Word of God and the Lord will bless you.

We are saddened by the loss of Joe Welch. Joe was sick for many years but especially this last year. Joe's military career spanned three wars and he proudly served our nation. Joe trusted the Lord as his personal Savior seven years ago. I personally watched his life change under the instrumentality of the Holy Spirit. His attitude toward being with Jesus was a constant testimony to everyone. Our condolences reach out to Alma, Louise, Lesia and the family. The services will be in Timberon.

Come worship with us.
Buddy Cobb Pastor Timberon Baptist Chapel.

OUR WORK AMONG THE TARAHUMARA INDIANS

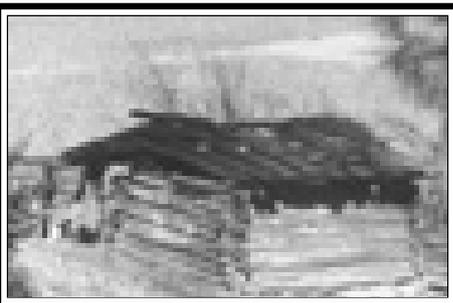
In this article I would like to focus on the Tarahumara Indians in Southwestern Chihuahua, Mexico and our ongoing work among them.

There is about 60,000 Tarahumarans living in some of the most rugged and yet beautiful country of this continent. Many of the Indians still live in caves. The caves resemble that of the pueblo cave dwellings here in New Mexico, except much smaller, usually one family per cave. One of the cave houses I've been in actually has running water. A small 20 foot waterfall drops from the ceiling into the center of the house. Some of the cave houses are actually very comfortable, in a primitive sort of way.



The section of the world in which the Tarahumaras live is called the, "Sierra Tarahumara". To walk through the Sierra Tarahumara is to go back in time over 100 years. It is a very large land mass consisting partly of mountains very similar to our own here in Timberon and a maze of very deep canyons which are deeper than the Grand Canyon of Arizona. These canyons are called Arranca Del Cobre or Copper Canyon. In the bottom of these canyons it is sub-tropical with rivers and streams everywhere. Many different kinds of fruit trees exist: mango, orange, lime, papaya, and banana as well as very large pipe organ cactus. It has spectacular views at every turn in the road or trail. Over the years the Tarahumara people have made thousands of miles of trails intertwining their villages.

The people, for the most part, are subsistence farmers and gatherers with a little hunting on the side although hunting has become difficult because of the lack of game. The women wear very colorful dresses, and many of the men still wear their traditional breechcloths. The Tarahumara are famous for their endurance running. Some races go for 100 miles or



more. They run through the night with a torch made out of an old can filled with pine pitch to light their way. What a beautiful sight to see all the little fires dancing along through the night as they run their race through this rugged terrain.

We started our work among the Tarahumara about 11 years ago. The first year I spent exploring extensively throughout the mountains and canyons. Eventually we bought land and moved into the Sierras. We built several homes, a clinic, the Tarahumara headquarters

and our training center. We began to recruit and train people who had a desire to work in pioneer missions. Graduates from the school have spread out across the world and are working to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Several doctors volunteered their time to help open up the Tarahumara work. One of the doctors is still there today treating people and sharing the love of Christ. Many workers have come and gone being that this is a difficult work. Living conditions are primitive and at times you have to deal with government hostility. We deeply appreciated each and every worker who helped out in this ministry. Each one did their part in sharing the love of Christ and helping to elevate pain.



Presently, Mark and Roxane Davis are the field missionaries working with the Tarahumara and are doing an excellent job. They live in a very remote section of the Sierras. There are many sacrifices that Mark and Roxane have made to be in this work but if you should ask them about it they would tell you that it was all worth while to see the Tarahumaras come to Christ and watch their lives change into happy caring people. Mark and Roxane are overseeing the development of four churches. That is a big job for anyone.



The pulse of this ministry, which is headquartered here in Timberon, is to give the primitive tribal peoples around our world an opportunity to come to Christ and to follow His wise teachings from the Bible.

If you have any questions about the ministry or would like to know more information you can contact me at 987-2323. Here in Timberon our morning services are in the Lodge at 10:00 am every Sunday. All are welcome.

Pastor Jim Moss
Hope Christian Fellowship
A ministry of
Calvary Commission
Tribal Missions

Photos by Jim Moss

TIMBERON SCHOOL BOOSTER'S CLUB

by Shantel Keune

At our last meeting on April 21st details of the May 2nd and 3rd Albuquerque trip were discussed and finalized. Those going will meet in Three Rivers at 11 am. The Boosters will supply drinks and everyone should bring a sack lunch. Upon arrival in Albuquerque, we will go to the park and the Boosters will supply pizza and drinks. We must be in the museum at 5:00 pm. We will eat at breakfast and be out of the museum by 8:00 am. The Boosters paid for the children to go to the Dynamax theater while at the museum. We will go to the zoo Sunday morning. The Boosters will pay admission fee for the students. We will return to Timberon after the zoo with the Boosters supplying lunch along the way. The Boosters bought matching T-shirts for the students to wear during the trip. Mrs. Green bought the supplies to make space books and pillows for each student as well. Parents are helping put those together.

Mrs. Green will order graduation stars and hats for the end of school play. The play will be May 20th. Rick will ask Mr. Starkey what steps need to be taken to go before the board with a proposal for an addition to be built on the school for storage.

Mrs. Green read a letter from NASA that informed Timberon School that it had been one of four schools in New Mexico chosen to sign a poster that would go up with John Glenn in October 1998. An invitation to attend the launch and attend a luncheon was also included with those attending paying their own way. Mrs. Green will ask for more information. Rick discussed the First Kids group to support another bond election for a new high school. He said the Boosters should endorse it since our students would be attending the school.

Those present at the meeting were Jean Green, Deana Sofolo, Rick Merrick, Yvonne Ross, Brenda Pittman, Gary and Debbie Ross, and Shantel Keune.



All the Past Masters that attended the dinner - too numerous to name.



T.P. Hanson, a fifty year Mason.

MASONIC PAST MASTER DINNER

by Jack Yeager

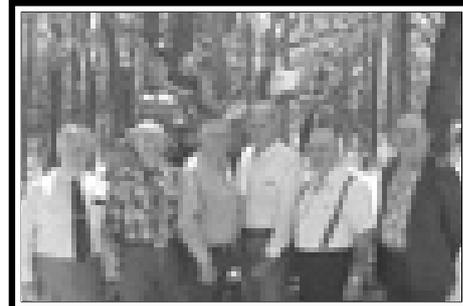
Saturday, May 5, 1998 MOUNTAIN TOP DAYLIGHT LODGE #81, AF&AM, held their annual Past Master's and Masonic Widow's Dinner at the home of Marcy and Jack Yeager. Masons from Alamogordo, El Paso, Hagerman, Ruidoso, Tularosa and Timberon were present. Thirty-eight people from these places attended.

Each year we have this dinner in honor of those who have served as Masters of the Lodge as well as the ladies who have lost their husbands who were Masons.

In 1990, Norman Welborn was Master of the Lodge while it was still under dispensation. Harry West was the first Master after the Lodge received its Charter in 1991. Jack Yeager was the next Master in 1992 followed by Lloyd Lewis in 1993. Bill Begley was elected to the Master's Station in 1994 and Jim Penney was elected Master for Master in 1995. Amos Hampton served as Master in 1996 and Del Sanders was Master for 1997. Richard Dysart is our present Master. Of these past masters of the our Lodge, Norm Welborn and Lloyd Lewis have passed away.

T.P. Hanson, who has his fiftieth Masonic birthday this year, was presented a Certificate and a Fifty-Year pin by our present Master Richard Dysart.

Following the Dinner and presentation, the Masons retired to the Masonic Hall for their regular monthly meeting which is held the first Saturday each month at 2:00 PM.



Past Masters of the Timberon Mountain Top Daylight Lodge, from left to right: Harry West, Jack Yeager, Bill Begley, Jim Penney, Del Sanders and Dick Dysart.

LIONS CLUB

by Tom Banks

The visit by District 40-S Governor, Lion Veta London and her husband, Ernest, was a big success despite the fact that our little Lions Den was packed to the gills. Next time we have visiting dignitaries we will have more room for entertaining. Our new Lions Den is not completed yet but most of our equipment has been moved into it and we hope to have it finished within a few weeks. We don't have much else to report until we get settled in and utilities hooked up.

The bingo games are still going pretty good but we could sure use a few more players.

We are still holding a nice prize from Mountain Millwork as soon as we get a large enough crowd to make it worthwhile. Bingo is held every Saturday night at 7:00 P.M. if we have at least a dozen players. Come and join the fun. You might win the big \$100.00 jackpot. Someone is going to win it very soon. It may as well be you.

Lions Club Flea Market is still a year-round event. The official sale is on Labor Day weekend but we are always on hand if you want to donate any castoffs or if you need anything for the house, garden, sports or... You name it. We may have it. Call Helene Cook or Tom Banks if you have questions. We're in the book. We will keep you posted with any new developments.

A summer camp for diabetic children is being established by District 40-S (Combined Southern New Mexico Lions Clubs). It is located at Carlsbad and will provide a free week of summer fun for diabetic children. If you have a qualifying child in your family, please contact me for details. Transportation can be arranged if you need it. Call me any time at 987-2491.

KINGDOM BUILDERS KORNER

by Joe Nugent

This month, the Kingdom Builders Adventure Club has been concentrating on the character quality of responsibility. Our club definition for responsibility is "being faithful to do what God and others are expecting of me."

The process of building character is not always easy. The boys are learning that in order to participate in fun activities like trips to town, sleep-overs, camp-outs, etc., certain responsibilities must be fulfilled. Regular attendance, consistent book work, community service and club projects are some of the prerequisites for recreational activities.

We would like to thank our friends and neighbors for your support of our ongoing fundraising projects, namely the aluminum can recycling and the sale of Alamo Bonus Coupons books. We are also grateful for suggestions of community service projects. We hope to serve where we are needed. If you have any suggestions or would like more information, please call Joe Nugent at 505-987-2559.

INTERPLANETARY JAMMIN

A KIDS-EYE VIEW OF THE SOLAR SYSTEM

On Wednesday, May 20th, at 6:30 p.m. everyone is invited to the presentation of Timberon Elementary School's *Interplanetary Jammin', A Kids-Eye View of the Solar System*. This end-of-year program will be performed in the Timberon Community Center.

Please join us and find out how much our students have learned about the stars, the planets, the moon, and the sun. This is the culmination of a year long, across the curriculum study of astronomy that began last August with Jean Green's joining Project ASTRO. Project ASTRO, sponsored by the Astronomical Society of the Pacific, is an innovative project linking educators, students, and astronomers for a year long study of astronomy.

Timberon was very fortunate to be teamed with Dr. Louis Strous, a solar astronomer, formerly with the National Solar Observatory at Sunspot. Dr. Strous visited the school many times and taught the students a number of rewarding science activities. Unfortunately for us, Dr. Strous changed jobs and is now a senior physicist with Lockheed-Martin at their observatory at Bear Lake, California. To honor Dr. Strous, Timberon students chose to dedicate our program to him and Project ASTRO.

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TIMBERON PROPERTY OWNERS OF EL PASO

y Marian Parsons

Jean Campbell, chairman of the TWSD, came down from Timberon to address the May 3rd meeting of the Timberon Property Owners of El Paso. He presented facts and figures about the improvements made in the water district.

As chairman, one of his initial goals was improving employee salaries and morale. His philosophy about cross-training employees and giving them hands-on experience has proven beneficial. He also instituted drug testing.

Campbell pointed out that the Timberon water users are getting more service for their money now. The board has included 3,000 gallons of water as part of the minimum monthly charge. Also, stand-by fees have been reduced from \$42 per lot, per year, to \$36. The bentonite sealed lakes now give Timberon 135 days of emergency water and the treatment ponds contain 90 days supply. In attempting to solve problems in the distribution of the water, Campbell said he started at the springs. Maintenance crews are continuing to locate leaks in the system and replace pipes. It has been a particularly difficult chore, since much of the original pipe was septic tank PVC and installed without the proper bedding in sand or rock-free material.

He has reviewed the cooperative arrangement with New Mexico State University for golf pro during the 8 month season. An apartment for the golf pro has been created

in previously unused space in the lower level of the pro shop.

In a question and answer session, there was a discussion about the merits of preserving and enhancing the existing airstrip for emergencies such as fire fighting and evacuation. Campbell assured TPOEP that a helipad will be included in any future plans. As has been reported previously, he confirmed that TWSD has assumed ownership of the Timberon cemetery. This was necessary in order to supply water for the maintenance for the cemetery.

In other business, the TPOEP membership adopted a proposal presented by Art and Jo Ann Shera. They suggested sending letters of protest to New Mexico and Texas congressmen concerning a possible increase in the area used by the German Air Force for low-level training flights. This expansion would affect people and wildlife in areas surrounding Timberon.

Robin Hood Days: Everett Putney reported that the Dell City Telephone Company had given its support and cooperation in publicizing our annual August event. A finely crafted quilt was purchased in Branson, MO, for a raffle during Robin Hood Days.

June 7th at 2:00 p.m. is the next meeting of the Timberon Property Owners of El Paso. It will be at the Vista Hills Country Club and begin with a buffet dinner at 1:00 p.m.

SMITH MEMORIAL LIBRARY

by Grace Myers

We have received three quite informative videos recently, along with ten good movies.

One concerns young children, and a CD-ROM comes along with it. These will help parents and caregivers understand the specific things they can do to help foster healthy brain development in children during the critical first three years.

Another contains interviews with New Mexico veterans of World War Two. Some interviews include Tony Hillerman who is a noted mystery writer, a Navajo "code talker", survivor of the Bataan Death March, a B-7 gunner, fighter pilots, a paratrooper, a submariner, and others. Very interesting. Then we have "UFO Secret - The Roswell Crash." This is a unique treatment of that episode in New Mexico history.

A couple of very different books have come in. "Facercise" describes facial exercises you can do anytime, anywhere, to tone up those muscles that are drooping, or keep them from it.

"Legends" is mostly a picture book by Life magazine. It portrays unforgettable faces of the century - Garbo to Ghandi. You'll love this one.

The new children's books have arrived and are being processed. We'll keep them separate for a while so they'll be obvious. Our thanks again to all involved in this effort for the children.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

by Dave Ayers

It takes money to function with any endeavor. The fire department is no different. As a fund raising event -

**A PANCAKE BREAKFAST
WILL BE SERVED FROM 8:00 A.M. TO
11:00 P.M., SATURDAY, MAY 23RD, 1998.**

All profits from the \$3.00 donation will go to the fire department.

The breakfast will be prepared, served and eaten at the main station.



TIMBERON LITTLE THEATER DINNER-SHOW

The Timberon Little Theater will present a 3 act comedy, "AARON SLICK FROM PUNKIN CRICK", Saturday, June 6th, at 6 P.M. Written by Lieut. Beale Cormack, this classic comedy is set in 1918, and takes place in Oklahoma and Chicago. It has been seen by more people than all the Broadway shows combined in the last 5 years.

An outstanding cast has been gathered, and will be under the direction of Betty Watson. Many hours have been devoted to the costumes of the period of time the play takes place in. It promises to be a fun-filled evening of good family entertainment and a wonderful meal, catered by Pat and Rick Merrick. Dinner serving will start promptly at 6 P.M.

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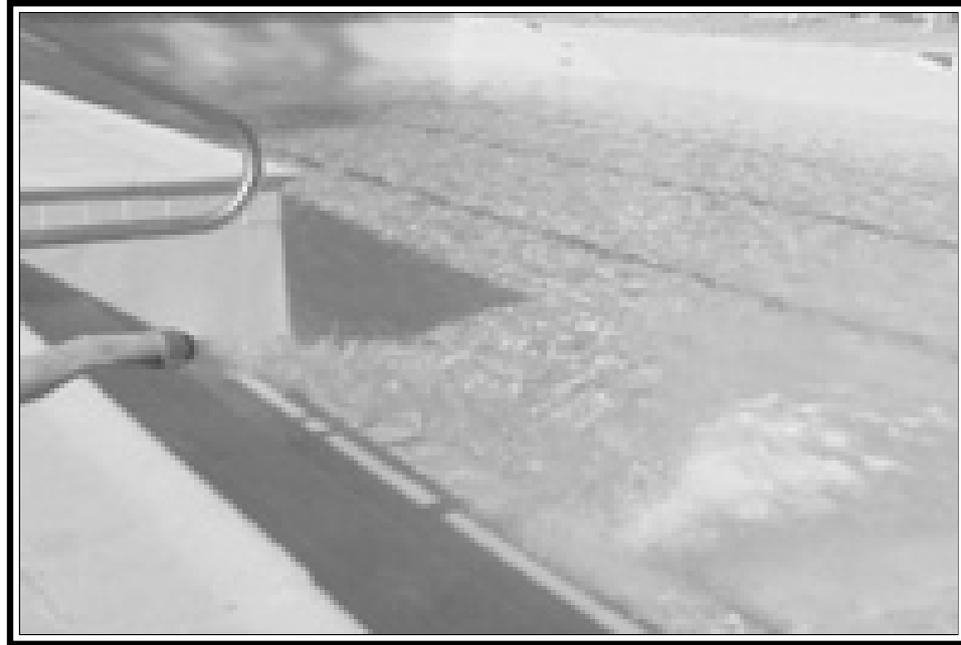
by Denise Corder

If your new to the mountain and want to egin wonderful new friendships, or if your ooking for the perfect ladies club organiza- tion to join look no further than the Timberon adies Extension Club. We meet every third hursday at the Timberon lodge at 10: 15. e have a short business meeting, followed y either a special guest speaker, or a new nd interesting craft, and then lunch. The club welcomed Leslie Coutant, Grace eyer, Yvonne Ross, Marilyn Nugent, Cathy ove, and Jean Bergstrom as guests for the pril meeting. We had a few items of busi- ness to discuss namely the progress on the th of July parade, Chaired by Mickey ardesty and crew; Betty Watson and Bobby agusa. Backing them up will be the rest of

us if we can keep up. This is our biggest and most enjoyable effort every year not only for you locals to enjoy, but to encourage off- mountain visitors to consider our lovely community as a place to spend their time. If your not supporting this in one way or an- other, be sure to do so today.

After our business meeting, member Mary Jane Davis, who is always the epitome of interesting and fun, gave a presentation on "Memory and Stress." This was really fun and their was a lot of interaction and really good stories from everyone present. It seems everyone could relate!!!

The club will meet again on Thursday, May21 at 10:15 a.m. Why not join us, we'd love to have you.



The swimming pool has been cleaned, repaired, and is now being filled up for the Summer Season. It won't be long now!

IMPORTANT DATES & EVENTS

MAY 1998

- 19th (Tuesday) *Calvary Commision meets in the Timberon Lodge.
- 20th (Wednesday) *Bible Study / Service at 6:00 PM in the Chapel.
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*End-of-Year School Program, "Interplanetary Jammin," at 6:30PM in the Timberon Lodge.
- 21st (Thursday) *The Timberon Extension Club will meet at 10:15 AM in the Timberon Lodge.
*Signatures in Space poster signing at the Timberon School.
- 23rd (Saturday) *The Timberon Community Action Group will meet at 2:00 PM in the Timberon Lodge.
*Lions Bingo in the Timberon Lodge.
*NiteLite Golf Tournament at the Timberon Golf Course.
*Timberon Fire Department Pancake Breakfast from 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM in the main Fire Station.
*Church Service with Pastor Jim Moss at 10:00 AM in the Timberon Lodge.
*Sunday School at 9:45 AM / Service at 11:00 AM with Pastor Buddy Cobb at the Chapel.
*Orange Blossom Tournament at 10:00 AM on the Timberon Golf Course.
- 24th (Sunday) Memorial Day Celebrated
*Bible Study / Service at 6:00 PM in the Chapel.
*Lions Bingo in the Timberon Lodge.
*Church Service with Pastor Jim Moss at 10:00 AM in the Timberon Lodge.
Sunday School at 9:45 AM / Service at 11:00 AM with Pastor Buddy Cobb at the Chapel.
- 25th (Monday)
- 27th (Wednesday)
- 30th (Saturday)
- 31st (Sunday)
- 11th (Thursday) *The Timberon Fire Department will have its monthly meeting at 6:30 PM in the Firehouse.
- 13th (Saturday) *Timberon / The Lodge Golf Classic at 9 AM on the Timberon Golf Course.
*The Timberon Water & Sanitation District will have the monthly meeting at 10:00 AM in the Timberon Lodge.
*Lions Bingo in the Timberon Lodge.
*Timberon / The Lodge Golf Classic at 1 PM on the Lodge Golf Course.
*Church Service with Pastor Jim Moss at 10:00 AM in the Timberon Lodge.
Sunday School at 9:45 AM / Service at 11:00 AM with Pastor Buddy Cobb at the Chapel.
*The Zeta Beta Sorority is meeting at 10:15 AM in the Timberon Lodge.
*Bible Study / Service at 6:00 PM in the Chapel.
- 14th (Sunday) *The Timberon Extension Club will meet at 10:15 AM in the Timberon Lodge
- 15th (Monday)
- 17th (Wednesday)
- 18th (Thursday)
- 20th (Saturday) *The Timberon Community Action Group will meet at 2:00 PM in the Timberon Lodge.
*Lions Bingo in the Timberon Lodge.
- 21st (Sunday) *Church Service with Pastor Jim Moss at 10:00 AM in the Timberon Lodge.
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Sunday School at 9:45 AM / Service at 11:00 AM with Pastor Buddy Cobb at the Chapel.
- 24th (Wednesday)
- 27th (Saturday)
- 28th (Sunday)

JUNE 1998

- 1st (Monday) *Little Theater practice in the Timberon Lodge.
- 2nd (Tuesday) *Little Theater practice in the Timberon Lodge.
- 3rd (Wednesday) *Bible Study / Service at 6:00 PM in the Chapel.
*Little Theater practice in the Timberon Lodge.
- 4th (Thursday) *Little Theater practice in the Timberon Lodge.
- 5th (Friday) *Little Theater practice in the Timberon Lodge.
- 6th (Saturday) *Little Theater Dinner Show, "Aaron Slick from Punkin Crick," at 6 PM in the Timberon Lodge.
*Masonic Lodge meets at 2:00 PM
*Church Service with Pastor Jim Moss at 10:00 AM in the Timberon Lodge.
*Sunday School at 9:45 AM / Service at 11:00 AM with Pastor Buddy Cobb at the Chapel.
*Timberon Property Owners of El Paso will meet at 1:00 PM in Vista Hills Country Club, El Paso.
- 7th (Sunday) *The Timberon Water & Sanitation District will have a public work session at 10:00 AM in the small meeting room of the Timberon Lodge.
*Bible Study / Service at 6:00 PM in the Chapel.
- 10th (Wednesday)

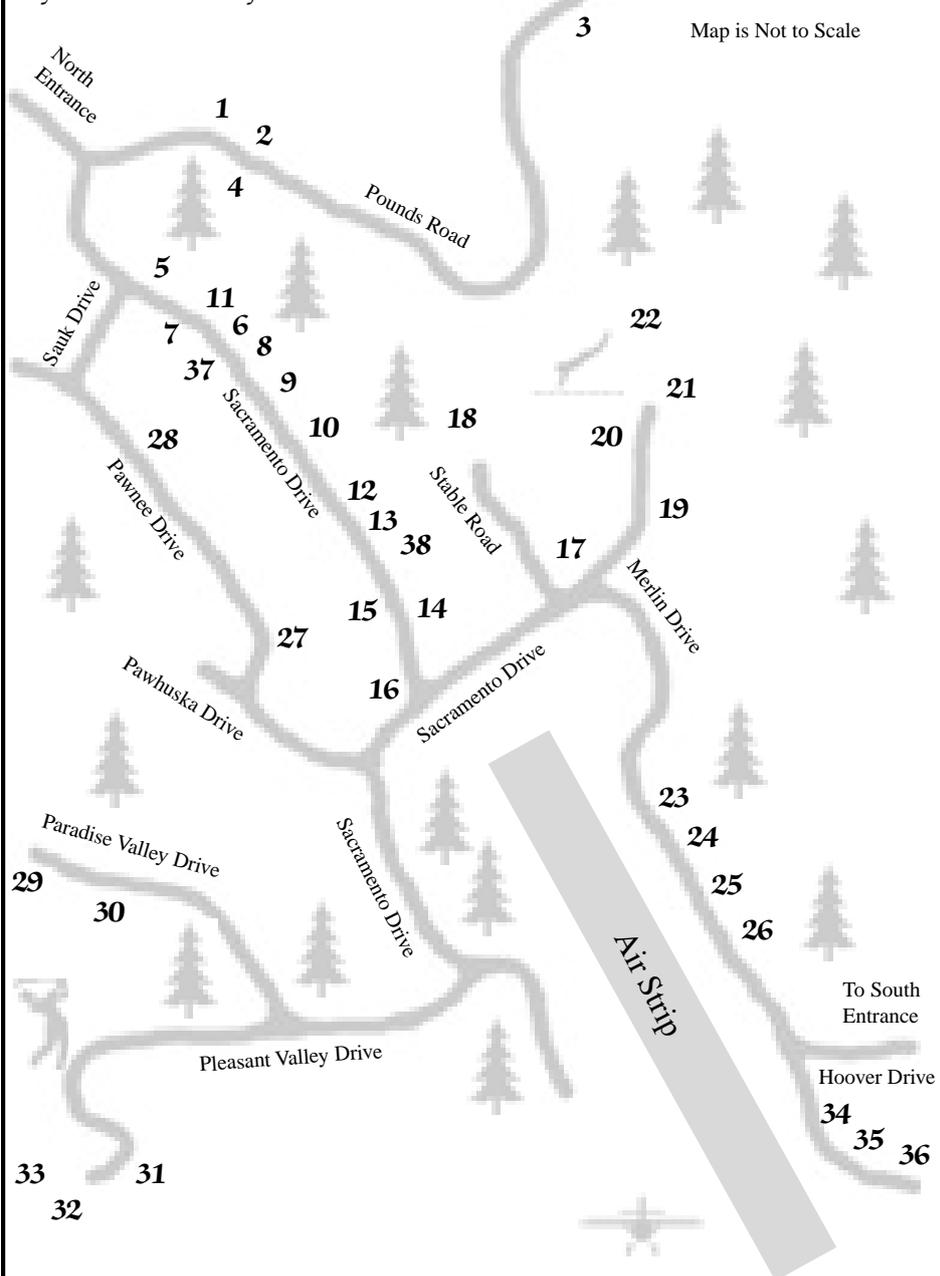
REGULARLY SCHEDULED EVENTS -

Exercise Class is held every Monday and Wednesday at 9:00 AM in the Timberon Lodge.
Smith Memorial Library is open:

Mondays & Wednesdays	11:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Fridays	3:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Saturdays	11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

The Senior Citizen's Van leaves the Timberon Lodge parking lot promptly a 8:30 AM every Tuesday morning for Alamogordo. The van leaves Alamogordo at approximately 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM for the return trip to Timberon.

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| 1. Timberon Backhoe
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| 2. Sacramento River Lodge
-Motel Type Lodging | 20. Timberon Lodge Pool |
| 3. Timberon RV Park | 21. Timberon Water District offices,
Community Center and Library |
| 4. Riverside Condos
-Duplex Lodging on the River | 22. Timberon Fishing Lakes |
| 5. Masonic Lodge | 23. Mountain Millworks
-Cabinetry & Woodworking |
| 6. Roberts Realty
-Land & Home Sales | 24. Lions Club Building |
| 7. Timberon Post Office | 25. Timberon Self Storage -Rentals |
| 8. Westons Business Solutions
-Computer Sales &
Bookkeeping Services | 26. Sacramento Energy Storage Site |
| 9. Reece-bilt Construction | 27. Community Dumpster |
| 10. Blue Water Real Estate
-Land & Home Sales | 28. Sierra Propane -Propane Sales
& Service, Plumbing |
| 11. Sacramento Energy -Propane,
Appliance, Heating Sales &
Service | 29. Chateau de la Shay
-Redmans Club |
| 12. Timberon Mall -Gas & Grocery | 30. Golf Course Rentals -Individual
Cabins & Duplex Lodging |
| 13. Jo's Country Clippers -Barber | 31. Casa Sacramento -Lodging,
Kitchenettes Available |
| 14. Mountain Wildflowers
& Mountain Times
-Gift Shop & Newspaper | 32. Timberon Golf Course -Nine
Hole Golf Course, Driving
Range & Pro Shop |
| 15. Northside Cafe, Laundry Mat &
Cabin Rental | 33. High Country Bar & Grill
-Food, Drinks & Atmosphere |
| 16. Timberon Realty
-Land & Home Sales | 34. Timberon Chapel |
| 17. Timberon Fire Department | 35. Timberon Memorial Park
Cemetery |
| 18. Moss Ranch -Horseback Riding
-Currently Closed | 36. Timberon School |
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| | 38. Timberon Mercantile
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Equipment |

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<i>Main Office</i>	964-2352	Timberon Mountaineer	987-2267
<i>Nights & Holidays</i>	964-2500	Timberon Pool	987-2207
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<i>Equal Access</i>	964-2222	Timberon School	987-2360
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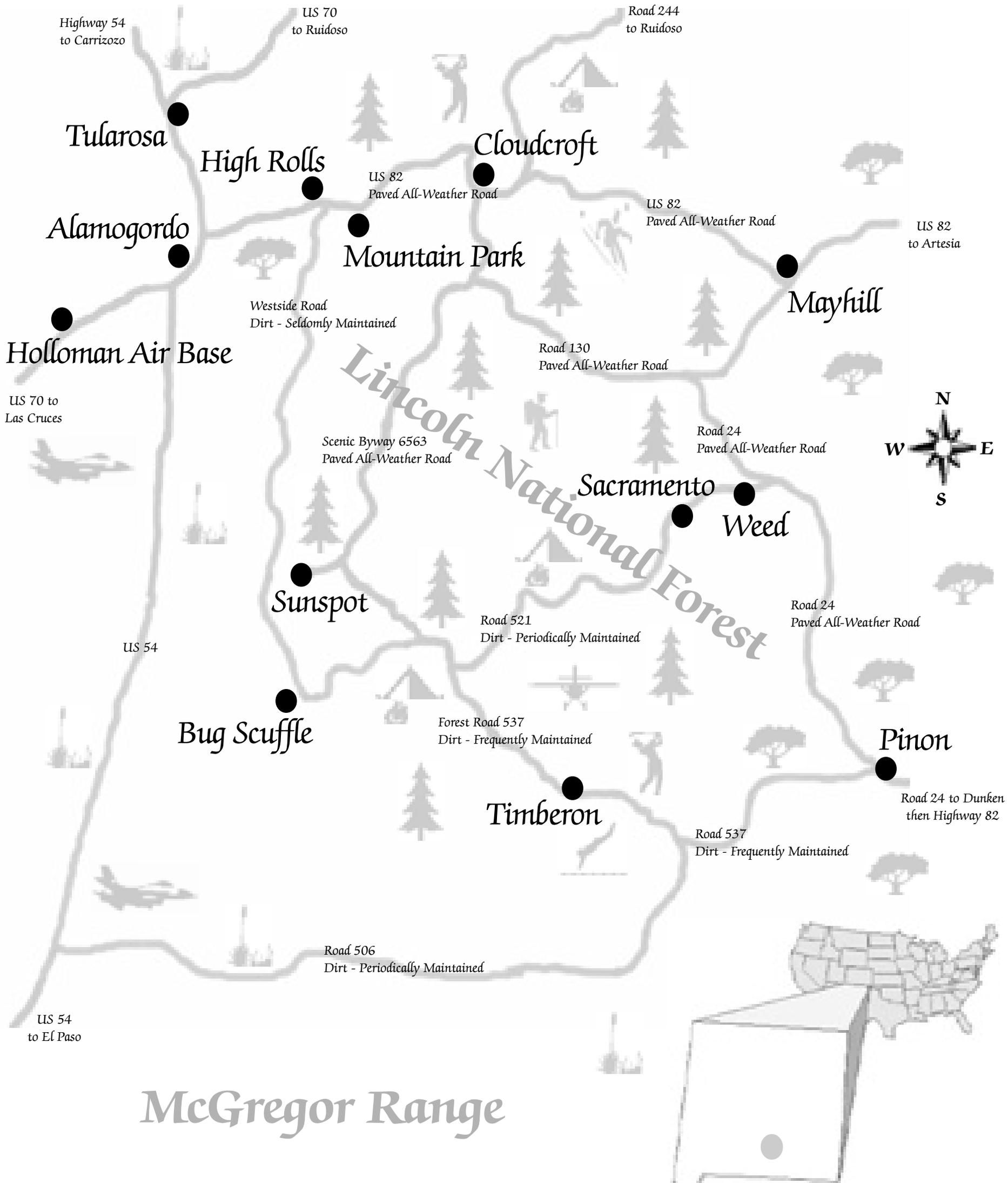
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PARADE

Timberon's 1998 Independence Day Parade is shaping up, and shows signs of being one of the best. It will take place on Saturday, July 4, beginning promptly at 10:30 A.M. in front of the motel, and ending on the airstrip apron.

The theme for this year's celebration is "Stars and Stripes Forever." We're hoping to provide a full day of exceptional entertainment for the entire family in the relaxed atmosphere of a small mountain community.

If you would like to enter a float, but need help in locating a suitable trailer or vehicle, let us know. We will try to help.

There will be three categories for judging again this year.

Category #1...A trailer towed by a motorized vehicle

Category #2...Single unit motorized vehicles
(pick-ups, cars, motorcycles, etc.)

Category #3...Non-motorized unit
(bicycles, skate boards, horses, walkers, etc.)

There will be a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winner in each category, plus the traveling trophy presented to the best over-all entry. This trophy will be engraved with the winner's name before placing it in the trophy case at the Timberon Lodge. Best Over All winner will also receive a grand prize ribbon to take home.

Following the parade there will be entertainment, food, games, contests, golf, fishing, swimming, hiking and shopping. The day's activities will conclude with a dance to live music at the Lodge beginning at 8:00 P.M.

Although the activities are being coordinated by the Home Extension Club, it will take cooperation from every business, civic club, and service organization, plus many individuals, to make the day the success we're hoping it will be for Timberon.

We are urging you to please consider having an entry in the 1998 Independence Day Parade. We know it is a lot of work, but very rewarding to see such fine results. However, if you feel you don't have enough time or personnel, perhaps you would consider a donation to help defray the cost. If so, just check the box on the entry form and a committee member will call on you. All donations received by May 5th will be acknowledged in the parade program. Because of the short time frame this year, you will not be contacted by phone unless you request it on your entry form.

We look forward to receiving your completed entry form and working with you to make this year's celebration a truly "Stars and Stripes" event.

The 1998 Timberon Parade Committee
Mickey Hardesty, Chairman
Robbie Ragusa
Betty Watson

Timberon 4th of July Parade Saturday, July 4, 1998, 10:30 a.m. Parade Theme: Stars and Stripes Forever

Entry Form

Yes, I/(we) would like to participate in Timberon's 4th of July celebration in the following way(s).

Provide a parade entry.

Type of entry:

trailer towed by motorized vehicle

single motorized vehicle (list number of units, if known)

() pickup(s)

() car(s)

() motorcycle(s)

() golf cart(s)

() ATV(s)

() other _____

non-motorized unit

() bicycle(s)

() skate board(s)

() roller blade(s)

() horse(s)

() person(s) on foot

() other _____

Donate an item for a door prize. Phone _____ (Describe the gift, if received by May 15, name of donor will be listed in the parade program. A committee member will call to make arrangements for pick-up, etc.)

Set up a booth (No fee, but subject to approval by 4th of July Committee.) Food Arts & Crafts

Donation Phone _____ (Donations of money to help defray expenses for the parade are accepted and appreciated. A committee member will call if you wish to help in this way. If donation is received by May 15, the name of your business or organization will be listed as a sponsor in our color brochure and an ad placed in the parade program.)

Other (describe) _____

Information for entry:

Name of business or organization _____

Address _____

Contact person _____ Phone (and best time to call) _____

Driver (if applicable) _____ Phone _____

Special (step in front of judges stand for a skill presentation. Must be very brief.) Yes No

Questions? Call: Mickey Hardesty, Parade Committee Chairman:
1(505) 987-2424
987-2500 or 987-2542 (Committee members)

Send completed form to: 4th of July Parade Committee
P.O. Box 202
Timberon, NM 88350

4th of July

Enjoy
a weekend
you will treasure forever

Bring your family to beautiful

Timberon

You will appreciate
the peace and serenity of this
friendly little village
nestled deep in the
Sacramento Mountains of
Southern New Mexico

**FIREWORKS
NOT
PERMITTED
IN THE FOREST OR TOWN**

Come
for a month, a week,
the weekend, or just for the day.

The Independence Day

Parade

will begin promptly at 10:30 A.M.

Saturday, July 4

There is no fee for entries but
must register by June 15.

Parade Theme

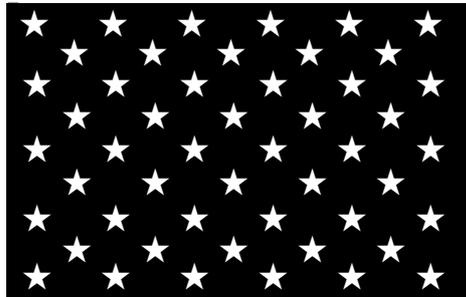
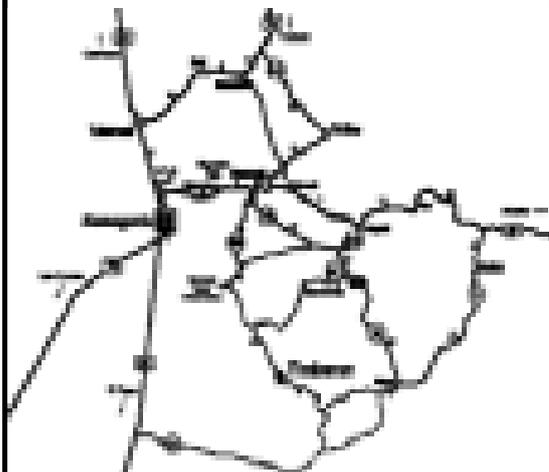
“Stars & Stripes Forever”

*Bring lawn chairs
for comfortable viewing.
Bring cameras too.*

A Multi-Star Event



For additional information call:
(1-505) 987-2424,
987-2258 or 987-2530
Allow at least 1 hour driving time
from Cloudcroft
Allow at least 1-1/2 hours driving time
from Alamogordo



RELAXING No worries, no office—the perfect get-away spot.

SWIMMING Heated pool. Lifeguard on duty. \$1 per person.

PLAYING Kiddies playground. Basketball, volleyball, tennis.

FISHING Two lakes stocked with trout. No license required.

BROWSING Visit the gift shop. Ask about our talented artists.

GOLF Tournaments and open play daily. Pro shop. Golf carts. Challenging 9 hole course Bar & Grill.

CAMPING RV Park with full hook-ups, dump station, laundrymat. Primitive camping in forest.

PICNICS Covered pavilion with large grill & electricity. Tables scattered around lake and Lodge areas.

WILDLIFE Deer and other wildlife abound in this peaceful sanctuary. Be sure to bring your camera.

LODGING Motel, cabins, condominiums. Rented by day, weekend, week, or month. Reasonable rates.

HIKING Like to exercise? Take a walk on the wild side. Enjoy nature...up close and personal.

FOOD Bar and grill above pro shop, cafe on the main street. General store for groceries and supplies.

LIBRARY 2nd largest library in Otero County. offers a variety of books and videos. Visitors welcome.