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A Community Oriented Newsletter for Weed and Surrounding Communities  
"If You're Lucky Enough to Live in the Mountains, You're Lucky Enough"

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## Lincoln National Forest to Close May 1

According to a news release issued April 22 by Fire Management Officials with the Lincoln National Forest (LNF), they will close the forest for public access and use **effective at 8 a.m. on May 1.**

"Extremely dry conditions have warranted closure of the entire Lincoln National Forest, said Jacqueline Buchanan, Acting Forest Supervisor. "Closures in the past have proven to be an effective means of reducing the number of human-caused fires," she said. "While campfire and smoking restrictions have been effective in terms of minimizing the number of fires, we are at the point that we cannot afford the risk of any human-caused fires. We are not only concerned about the risk to communities and natural resources, we are concerned about the potential difficulties evacuating recreationists from remote areas should a wildfire start," she said.

The Lincoln National Forest will reopen to the public when sufficient precipitation is received to adequately reduce our extremely dry conditions and reduce the risk of wildfire to a manageable level. A significant amount of moisture will be required to reduce the extreme fire danger on the Lincoln National Forest.

You may read the complete news release in the Weed Café and Weed Post Office or visit the Lincoln National Forest website at: [www.fs.fed.us/r3/lincoln](http://www.fs.fed.us/r3/lincoln).

## Pepper Fire

- Evelyn Miller

Thanks to everyone who fought the fire in Hoosier and Hughes Canyons, the people who provided food and drinks for the fire fighters, and to those who were able to provide water for the fire trucks to fight the fires. The 640-acre fire was declared 100% contained by Tuesday, April 22.

## Anniversaries, Birthdays, Comings & Goings, Get Well Wishes, Etc.

### Happy Anniversary to:

...Terry & Marie Rodgers-5  
...Chris & Kendra Mydock-13  
...Dan & Mary Simmons-19  
...Jeff & Louise Winkle-21  
...James & Mary Lou Otts-23  
...Craig & Pat Foster-27  
...Ken & Pat Hammett-28

### Happy Birthday to:

...Joe Wilmeth-1  
...Christa Joy-8  
...Lester Burton-9  
...Pansy Northrip-12  
...Charlotte Gage-18  
...Katherine Stephenson; Joey Hicks-19  
...Barbara Schuessler-22  
...Brenna Parker-26  
...Pat Manning-27  
...Obie Manning-29  
...Evie J. Traywick; Joanne Ashley-31

## Comings & Goings

...Bonnie Nunn is back from a month's visit with her mom, daughter, other family members and friends in Ohio.

...Don & Anna Rae Brown spent 5 days in Lubbock for her uncle's memorial service and visited with Ken & Dee Hester in Wolfforth.

...Tanya Maberry visited family and friends in Texas.

...Larry & Judy Haynes are back from her doctor's check-up in Texas where all came out super good!

...James & Mary Lou Otts got back from a visit to their home in Carlsbad where they had to do some work.

...Russ & Elaine Wright were at a Matrix Energetics workshop in Phoenix last month and then visited friends in Sedona. Then they headed out in their little travel trailer with Junior for a 10-day tour of the Gila, Jemez, and one day in Santa Fe. It was a great trip. Thanks, Pat Scott, for selling us that fine little trailer.

...Tom & Patsy Ward visited Tom's son and his family, Brent, Bernadette, Paige & Scott, in Marlton, NJ April 11-14. It was a much too short visit but very heartwarming.

...Chuck & Joy Geer and John & Judy Leigh, friends and sometime neighbors, plan to vacation in their Weed cabin for 2 weeks beginning the first part of May. Friends Bill Guy and Ted Presley will join them. Chuck & Joy's granddaughter, Elizabeth, is doing well and is learning to read her braille.

### Thank you:

We're sending a GREAT BIG THANK YOU! Again, thank you for all the prayers and neighborly commitment during Mary Ann's time of crisis. Everyone was right beside us, and we are so grateful to live in such a wonderful community. Not just a community, but we consider it extended family. Having no family here, we do not feel a loss, because our neighbors act like family. The hospital stay was very testing, but all results were negative, Thank God! We do believe it was the miracle of prayer, and such a loving and kind community gathering together to fight the good fight of faith. We count our blessings daily for God leading us to this mountain of paradise. Thank You All, and please call on us if ever you need a friend, prayer, or just coffee. Mary Ann & Jerry Carpenter and Sylvia, Kagen & Joshua Pitre

### Welcome to:

...David & Trisha Donaldson and Trisha's mother, Laura. They live in the blue house just below Parker's Fish and RV park.

### Good-Bye to:

...Obie & Patricia Manning who, rumor has it, are moving to Texas to be closer to family.

### Get Well Wishes and Prayers and Get Rid of the Bug to:

...Mary Ann Carpenter  
...Evelyn Miller  
...H.B. Newell  
...Jeff & Louise Winkel  
...Terry & Marie Rodgers  
...Patsy Ward

## Dates to Remember

May 2 & 3 - Smokey Bear Days, Capitan, NM. Visit [www.smokeybeardays.org](http://www.smokeybeardays.org) or call 505-354-2748 for more info about this weekend of family fun!

May 6 - VFD meeting, 7 p.m. The radio guys plan to attend this meeting. They have a short presentation and will answer questions. This is a good chance to ask about why things work the way they do and to learn about your radio! Volunteer Firemen and EMS individuals are requested to bring their handheld radios and all batteries for those radios to the meeting.

May 5 - Cinco de Mayo

May 6 - Bookmobile, 1:15 - 2:30 p.m., Weed PO

May 8 - SSMWG meeting, 6 p.m., Mayhill Community Center

May 10 - Rabies Clinic, Weed Fire Station, 10 til 1

May 11 - Mother's Day

May 12 - Community Meeting @ 6 p.m. We hope to have this meeting in the New School Building. We'll keep you posted. Items to be discussed include the Blue Grass Festival. We need your help. Please join us.

May 17 - Meet the Candidates potluck dinner at the Weed Community Center, 5:30 p.m.

May 23 - The Flying J Ranch Chuckwagon Supper & Western Show kicks off another exciting summer! Hwy 48, Alto, NM. Call 888-458-3595 for info.

May 23 - Opening Day - Ruidoso Downs Racetrack

May 24 & 25 - Cloudcroft Mayfair Juried Art Show, Zenith Park. Free admission.

May 26 - Memorial Day (Federal holiday; PO closed)

May 30 - Memorial Day (true). Celebrate both days!

## Animal Clinic

- John Rauch

Are your pets in need of shots - Rabies, Parvo, Distemper, other. Then May 10 is the day for you. Our local veterinarian will be at the Weed Fire Station from 10 a.m. till 1 p.m. Shots will be at a reduced price. No office call charge. Take advantage of this clinic and bring your best friend up to date.

## Meet the Republican Candidates Potluck Dinner

Following is a list of the candidates and the office for which they are running who have agreed to attend. The Weed Community Association will provide brisket and drinks. You are asked to bring a side dish to share. The contact person for this event is Sandra Hunt. Please call 575-687-2800 for further info. Registered Democrats welcome!

Earl Greer - US Senate

Greg Sowards - US Senate

Aubrey Dunn - US Senate (will send someone in his place)

David Ceballes - District Attorney

Diana Martwick - District Attorney

Stanford Locke - State Rep. Dist 53

Gloria Vaughn - State Rep. Dist 51

Nora Espinoza - State Rep Dist 59

Vernon Asbill - State Senate Dist 34

Ronny Rardin - County Comm. Dist 3

Martin Moore - County Comm Dist 3

## As You Prepare to Vote

"Congressmen who willfully take actions during wartime that damage morale and undermine the military are saboteurs and should be arrested, exiled, or hanged." -  
--- Abraham Lincoln

## Sacramento News

- Joy Goin

If I EVER had any doubts that I lived among "top drawer" folks, it would have been put to rest permanently this past week as I saw ALL of us fighting the fire. From the local guys who were first on the scene, to the EMTs who have spent looonng hours on duty, to the staff up at the Assembly, right on down to "Joe and Jane Citizen." Everyone has pitched in to help in whatever way they could. Even tho I knew I lived among top quality folks, I have still been amazed at the outpouring of help and prayers from our community of Sac-Weed and the extended community. Thankfully the fire is out and now we get back to "watchful waiting."

You remember when Ray and I were planning our life together and it included building a Hobbit House? Well, sanity returned and we decided we were a litttllle past the stage when we wanted to build from scratch. Regretfully, I gave up my dream of living in a quaint little house. Probably because of the woe begone look on my face, Ray offered to remodel what we refer to as our "town house" - the other place is our "cabin in Hay Canyon" - so we are in the throes of remodeling! Have several projects going at once because we want it all done NOW! We keep reminding ourselves of how great it will look after we get through, then we ask "do you have any idea where we put-----?" It WILL be great when we get it finished, and our decision not to build from scratch definitely was the right decision. And Ray is planning to "Hobbit" the "town house" in every way that he can. And we will finish enclosing his RV in Hay Canyon in Hobbit style in the future.

## Pinon News

- Margaret Merritt

Hello, folks. And a breezy goodbye very fast. March brought us sunshine and breezes, some quite brisk with a re-arrangement of the drying 2007 tumbleweed crop plus a new neighbor (for us) in the form of a tall spindly multiplicity of a weed (or miniature shrub!) Which arrived from some where like Bermuda grass seed, except it thrived. Now dry, stickery fueling all over everywhere. Hope it is like the plague of Egypt - they will be a one-time thing and not interfere with our local grass growth when our hoped for rains arrive.

Sleepy little town that we are, things do happen around here. One spark from a welding job (one, mind you!) got attention from the local Fire Department before it got into the neighboring pasture's good, dry grass stand. Cleared a passel of weeds and wind-blown-in debris from passing vehicles which sometimes have leaking cargos and windows. Sometimes the wind deposits things whose origin is in doubt. Someone (likely west of Piñon) is missing a sizeable sheet of good corrugated roofing. Caught in cedar bush trees, it will be removed for esthetic reasons. Hopefully, the original owner will notice and rectify the resulting leaky roof before too much damage. Some of our west neighbors are owners often absent for a period of time. Absentee ownership is of questionable rewards as Scripture teaches us. Leaving home for far-away lands.

The high winds of several last days have rearranged some small items permanently as well as putting sheets of loose (we didn't know) sheets of roofing in odd places like awkward metal decorations on cedar trees and fences, posts without walls or roofs. Not much to reclaim if recognized by owner, but a hassle to dispose of safely.

Trees are leafing out in promise of summer fruit. Last week, peach, cherry, and apricot were blooming. Possibly the pictures taken will be proof it

happened so beautifully. Each time the following days blew all the flower petals away. Could be those stubborn little clumps left on limbs will be bright and edible later. Leaves are coming. Pears, apples, and currants are abloom today. Garden itch has arrived, but common sense says wait a bit to dig and bury seeds. Of course, the hummingbirds are pretty wise, and they are beginning to arrive at the feeders.

Piñoners have been traveling townward lately. Gas prices are making us think cautiously about another trip, so lists are checked better. Piñon Cash & Carry is back on service line now having gotten their supply plans lined out again.

Medical problems and family emergencies can be seriously disruptive. Sam is doing well with his new kidney. He has started a Kidney Foundation organizational plan which will help folks who are not as capable of helping themselves as the Hendersons were. There is a website being set up (with a bug or two of course) which we will publicize when possible. Appreciative of those skills I am. Proficient in computers and websites I may sometime become. Please don't hold your breath, folks, for me.

We miss Ruth (Laura's mother) and her presence in the store. Asleep in her rocker sometimes, but always smiley and fun.

Lavada Dean Lewis was laid to rest in Piñon Cemetery by loving family, relatives of various degrees, and friends of half a century plus. We will miss Lavada, but her love, humor, and way of living won't be forgotten even after she readies that land above the Bright Blue. A previous memory of her to me is of a young kid horseback who tied her mount to a post across from the Meeting House wondering if jeans were okay to come in for worship. Unusual then, but she came, was welcomed, worshiped, and knew the love and care of God for about 3 score and 10 years. See you there, friend.

Merritt Ranch has been visited by family and friends recently. Hilton & Avanelle Merritt of Houston came for a few days. Enjoyed Avanelle's cooking while Hilton got a few "Mama" chores done. Yard orchard in much better shape even if not quite finished due to numerous little jobs needing his hand. Jane was here keeping me legal with paperwork for year's end while she awaited arrival in Lubbock of grandsons #8 and #9. One lively little girl in that team of little grandsons! Jacob Dean Murray and Jonathan David Murray are here. Not quite 10 lbs together, they are neonatal care so five little Murrays are keeping all hands and the cook moving even if not always awake!

My sister in Roswell was hospitalized this week, so highway to Roswell has been well traveled.

Local fires are keeping our fire departments on notice. Small one in Piñon was controlled soon. Scott Able one keeping hot spots popping up as evidenced by smoke pillars when wind comes up.

Beverly Bell has had small visitors. Amanda Joy Hibbard and Sarah Jean Hibbard are giving lessons for future of Grandma Ben.

Till next time, adios friends.

## Water Matters

### Minutes for the South Sacramento Water Group Meeting March 13, 2008, Part Two

By Secretary Ellen Wedum

The SSWG met in Weed on March 13 for a three-hour round-table discussion with guests invited by Chair Lou Wilkerson. Part One of this discussion was published in

the April Mountain Monthly (page 38) and the April issue of the Hitchin' Post. The next meeting of the SSWG will be held May 8, 6 p.m, at the Mayhill Community Center. Hubert Quintana, Executive Director of the SNMEDD/Council of Governments, is the invited speaker. He will provide information on water distribution systems for water coops and associations.

Following is Part Two.

Russ Wright asked about the water master situation. Andy Morley (from the State Engineers Office in Roswell) said that there is not yet a water master for the Peñasco Basin. They did initiate a search six months ago, but then the funds got redirected. They hope to reopen the search soon. They do have a pickup for the person who is hired! Elaine Wright asked if there had been a legal challenge filed, Morley answered in the affirmative. The Peñasco Basin includes Cloudcroft, Mayhill, Weed and Sacramento, but not Timberon or Piñon. County Commissioner Doug Moore said the goal is to have a water master for every basin. There may be a funding mechanism that allows you to be taxed if a stream runs through your property. John Conner asked where the money for the salary will come from. Morley replied that at present the salary is paid from the General Fund. This is how the Hondo water master is paid. But eventually people on the river system will be assessed. Wedum asked what if they have paper water rights, but no wet water? Morley suggested that the assessment may be based on actual water put to beneficial use. If there is no measurement by a water master, inequities in distribution cannot be corrected, and we need to try this. Wilkerson asked if water associations get any 'first rights?' Answer is no, seniority is just whatever is in the water right.

Getting back to water associations, Hubert Quintana (see above) has been helping communities to develop their ICIP (Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan). Being properly organized under state law will open doors for potential funding from various state entities in order to assist groups with their water infrastructure planning, maintenance, repair and replacement. Only SWCD and MDWCA, like Timberon and Twin Forks, are eligible for state funds. About 80% of water organizations are actually coops, not associations.

The first step is to register with the PRC as a Mutual Domestic Water Users Association (MDWUA). Quintana can assist with the paperwork and can be reached by phoning 575-624-6131 or by emailing [hqsmedd@plateautel.net](mailto:hqsmedd@plateautel.net). There is an application fee of \$25, and at least 10% of the members must agree to the reorganization. Quintana is concerned that there are still a lot of folks that are only paying \$10 a month for all the water they want to use. Water associations need to plan ahead. The SNMEDD also offers assistance with capital outlay requests.

One person asked how can water association members be convinced that an increase in fees is needed? Quintana admitted that this is the most difficult part of the process. But any financial aid grants are going to require that the water users pay reasonable water use fees and make some effort to cover the cost repairs with matching funds generated by the water system. It is impossible for the State to be able to provide 100% assistance to all of the ailing water systems in the State of New Mexico.

There are 600 registered water associations in the state but only 56 in the 5-county area (Lea, Eddy, Chaves, Lincoln and Otero). Marsha Slane pointed out that there are a lot of water groups in our area that are not organized and not registered. Quintana did send out letters to known associations offering his help, but many groups did not bother to reply.

County commissioner Doug Moore said that Quintana can demystify the whole process. He has an understanding of how systems work and what infrastructure is needed. He has software that can actually calculate the monthly fees that are needed for system maintenance. State Representative Nora Espinoza added that the legislators trust Quintana and the calculations he does.

After a short break there was a general discussion. Arden Schug from Timberon reported on two devices that Mario Gonzales of the NM Rural Water Association has available. One is a fairly expensive ultrasonic clamp-on flowmeter (\$5,200) that helps find leaks, and the other is a pressure transducer data logger. The flowmeter was used in Cloudcroft to help find their leaks (see the article in the March issue of the Mountain Monthly). Asbill mentioned Senate Bill 227, the Pecos River Settlement, as the only significant water bill that passed during this session. A total of 1278 bills were introduced, 107 passed both houses and Governor Richardson signed 95 of them. Taxes were not increased even though the total budget was \$6 billion. Capital outlay funds for this year were only 40% of last year, and Asbill feels this is due to the tax incentives provided to big companies that will mostly provide jobs in Albuquerque and Santa Fe. He wants more to be spent in our area. He mentioned that the state gas tax of 17 cents per gallon has not increased since 1985, and the purchasing power of the dollar has dwindled. He is concerned that the Railrunner program is taking up so much of these limited funds. Quintana pointed out that the cost of concrete and steel are not going to go down, as both China and India are greatly expanding their roads and transportation infrastructure which increases the demand for these materials. Evelyn Schultz pointed out that the Twin Forks MDWCA has received three state grants, totaling \$640,000, because they are registered with ICIP. Albuquerque and the much-publicized red light cameras were also discussed.

Jeff Winkel asked what had happened with the letter the SSWG authorized Steve Cooks to write to the BLM commenting on their environmental assessment of proposed oil and gas drilling in the Otero Mesa. Steve sent the letter to John Beese, the person in charge of gathering comments, pointing out that the EA is lacking in two respects—one, the absence of a “no action” alternative, and two, proposed actions are not in compliance with New Mexico Oil Conservation District rules banning the use of waste pits in environmentally sensitive areas. He reported that he had received no response. State Senator Vernon Asbill and Doug Moore suggested that the letter needs to be sent to the new BLM Las Cruces district supervisor, instead of to Beese, who is only collecting comments, not replying to them. They also pointed out that in New Mexico is “going slow,” then Texas must do the same. Moore said that El Paso and Juarez are aggressively mining (non-sustainable removal) water from an underground river, and that water is coming from New Mexico, some from the Huerco basin. So far this does not seem to be having any negative effect on wells in the area.

The meeting was adjourned at 9pm.

**New Sign at the Front Gate** - The Winkels  
Dear Friends on the Mountain - We have added a new sign at the end of the driveway. The sign says Gary Mack which, as most everyone knows, means the place is For Sale. It was not an easy thing to do. We have many friends in this valley and we have put a little sweat into the Lock Washer. However, I have told Louise many times that if she could not live here because of her heart condition, we would move. She has persevered and hurt long enough. She gave it the old college try and then some. However, the time has come to pack the mule and move on down the road. We are looking for a place to live at a much lower altitude. We have not found anything definite, but we are still looking. We have some ideas but nothing final. About the only definite is that Carlsbad is not an option. Louise and I will continue to be a part of the community until the time comes to say adios. God Bless all of you. Jeff & Louise at the Lock Washer, Sacramento.

### **Farmers' Almanac Gardening Tips for May 2008**

- 1-2 Favorable time for planting late root crops. Also good for vine crops that can be planted now. Set strawberry plants.
- 3-4 Poor planting. Fine for cultivating or spraying.
- 5-6 Favorable for planting beans, corn, cotton, tomatoes, peppers and other above ground crops.
- 7-9 Any seed planted now will tend to rot.
- 10-11 Most favorable for corn, cotton, okra, beans, peppers, eggplant and other above ground crops. Plant seedbeds and flower gardens.
- 12-16 A barren period. Good for killing plant pests, cultivating or taking a short vacation.
- 17-18 Excellent time for planting corn, beans, peppers and other above ground crops. Good time for sowing hay, fodder crops and grains. Plant flowers.
- 19-21 Plant carrots, beets, onions, turnips and other root crops at this time. Cabbage, lettuce and other leafy vegetables will do well. Plant seed beds.
- 22-23 Do no planting.
- 24-25 Plant late beets, potatoes, onions, carrots and other root crops.
- 26-27 Kill plant pests on these barren days.
- 28-29 Favorable time for planting late root crops. Also good for vine crops that can be planted now. Set strawberry plants.
- 30-31 Poor planting, fine for cultivating or spraying.

### **Area Churches**

**Cowboy Church** - Mike Burris, Pastor. Slack (Breakfast) - 10:15 a.m. Services - 11 a.m. We ain't fancy! Just come on in, kick off your boots, grab some coffee, biscuits & gravy and share the word of God with the rest of us cowboys, cowgirls and little buckaroos. We are located in Hay Canyon. God Bless and Happy Trails!

**Mayhill Baptist Church** - Norman Green, Pastor. Sunday School, 10 a.m.; worship services 11 a.m. Children and youth Bible drill and adult and youth Discipleship training, 5 p.m. Evening worship service, 6 p.m. Children and youth Bible study and adult Bible study and prayer meeting, Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Men's breakfast and devotional, Thursday, 7 a.m.

**Mayhill Church of Christ** - Eddy Coleman, Minister. Sunday Bible class, 9:30 a.m.; worship service, 10:30 a.m. Evening worship, 6 p.m., and Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m.

Piñon Baptist Church - J. B. Craft, Pastor.  
Bible Study, 10:30 a.m.; Worship service, 11:30 a.m.;  
12:30 potluck.

Piñon Church of Christ - Bible Study, 10:30  
a.m., Worship Service, 11:30 a.m.; potluck 12:30 p.m.;  
Wednesday Bible study, 7 p.m.

Sacramento Mountain United Methodist  
Church - Joy Garrett Goin, Lay Minister. Sunday  
worship service at 10 a.m., Sunday School at 11 a.m.

Weed Baptist Church - Wade Maberry, Pastor.  
Sunday School 10 a.m., Worship Service at 11 a.m. Bible  
Study/Prayer, Wednesdays at 2 p.m. Fellowship  
breakfast every first Sunday, 9 a.m. Potluck luncheon  
every third Sunday of the month.

Weed House of Prayer - Don Brown, Pastor.  
Services are held every Sunday in the Fellowship Hall.  
Prayer/singing at 10 a.m.; sermon at 11 a.m. Prayer  
service is held each Wednesday at 10 a.m. Everyone is  
welcome to attend. Potluck luncheon the second  
Sunday of each month.

(If there are changes to the existing info,  
please let me know. Ed.)

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### Local Businesses

Mountain Dove Realty - Betty Olsen, Owner/Broker.  
Land, mountain properties, cabins, homes, ranches. PO  
Box 594, Weed, NM 88354. 1-800-494-3683 or 575-  
687-3769. - paid advertisement

Weed Gallery and Gifts - Usually open Saturdays 10  
a.m. - 3 p.m. and by appointment (please call 687-3486  
or 687-2168). Greeting cards, paintings, jewelry, wood  
products, and more, all made by artisans from this  
area. Drop by and see some of the artists at work and  
learn about classes. Save gas on your next gift  
purchases by visiting the Gallery. Home Schoolers class  
held at the gallery on Wednesday afternoons at 3 p.m.  
Card Club meetings held once a month. Adult  
watercolor painting, drawing, paper quilling and jewelry  
making classes available.

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Weed Café - Closed Sunday & Monday; Tuesday thru  
Thursday, 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.; Friday & Saturday, 8 a.m. -  
7 p.m. 575-687-3611

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Weed Store - Closed Monday; Tues thru Sat, 7:30 a.m.  
to 5:30 p.m., Sunday, 12 N to 5 p.m. Small grocery  
items (no produce), microwaveable items, ice cream,  
milk, snacks, tobacco, ICE, gasoline. 575-687-3040

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### Lodging Facilities

Cabin for Rent -contact Cyndy Nesbit at 575-687-  
3486 or at [cnesbit@pvt.net](mailto:cnesbit@pvt.net). Sacramento, NM.

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Camp of the Tall Pines - P. O. Box 548, Weed, NM  
88354; 575-687-4101; [pjcm57@sbcglobal.net](mailto:pjcm57@sbcglobal.net) or  
[www.campallpine.net](http://www.campallpine.net). Cabins, tents, RV parking.

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RavenWind B&B - [mail@ravenwindranch.com](mailto:mail@ravenwindranch.com) or call  
575-687-3073. Check details, prices, and photos at  
[www.ravenwindranch.com](http://www.ravenwindranch.com). 1234 Hwy 24, Weed, NM

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Sacramento Methodist Assembly Conference and  
Retreat Center - motel-type rooms, individual cabins, 15  
full-service RV sites, rustic camping. 1-800-667-3414.  
[sma@pvtnetworks.net](mailto:sma@pvtnetworks.net).

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### RV Parks

- Dove Acres, Weed Rd., 575-687-3769; 2 full hook-  
ups on 6 level, private acres. \$12/day, \$70/wk,  
\$200/mo., \$20/mo dry dock. - paid advertisement

- Parker's RV Park, Sacramento, 15 spaces, full hook-  
ups. 575-687-3720

- Deer Spring RV Park, Hwy 130, full hook-ups. 575-  
687-3464

- Rio Peñasco RV Park, Jct of Hwys 82 & 130, full hook-  
ups, 575-3715

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Remember the three R's . . .

- Respect for self;
- Respect for others;
- Responsibility for all your actions.

The Hitchin' Post has something for everyone. Even  
mistakes! Please be kind and overlook them .....  
Formatting and re-formatting to include everyone's  
articles takes its toll. In the future, a strict deadline  
of the 25<sup>th</sup> of each month (or earlier) for the following  
month will be adhered to. Submissions after that date  
will be included in the next issue, if applicable..

