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Truth or Consequences Healing Waters Trail



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- Rotary Park / Wetlands Trail Segment (dashed lines are spur routes)
- Veterans Park Trail Segment
- Carrie Tingley Hill Trail Segment
(dashed lines are spur routes. This portion of the trail is NOT handicap accessible)
- Historic Hot Springs Ditch
(Only visible at the corner of Pershing & Austin and at Jack E. Baker Rotary Park.)

Holistic Healing in Sierra County

By Kelly W. Cauffman

Traveling through Sierra County, visitors cannot help but notice the true healing strength that is offered via the natural resources of this amazing county. Several of these natural resources can be found along the Healing Waters Trail.

Centuries ago, Native Americans realized that there was special powers to the lands now known as Sierra County, New Mexico. Indians from different tribes and different backgrounds came to this land to utilize the special healing powers of the land, and especially the waters.

During the early 1900s, Elephant Butte Dam was built about five miles north of what has become known as the Historic Hot Springs Mineral Bathhouse District. According to the National Register of Historic Places, "the Hot Springs Bathhouse and Commercial Historic District in T-or-C consists of approximately 56 acres..." In this area there are 35 artesian wells,

125 contributing properties (constructed during the period of significance or moved to the area during that period) and 87 non-contributing properties exist – non-contributing properties that have been altered to change their look to a different period than that of the significant period. These buildings can still be restored to their original look and reconsidered as a contributing property upon completion of restoration. These non-contributing properties can be found in this area, which encompasses much of the historic downtown health resort community and was part of the development during the period of 1916 through 1950.

BUILDING A DREAM, A TRAIL

A visitor to the Healing Waters Trail can start and stop anywhere along the trail. However, there are three great places to begin one's holistic journey through the Healing Waters Trail. The Jack E. Baker Rotary Park & Wetlands,



Healing Waters Trail holds many exciting and interesting facts along its three-mile loop of a journey. Pictured is Merry Jo Fahl of the Sierra Soil and Water District, showing visitors the map of the HWT.

Veteran's Memorial Park & Hamilton Military Museum and the Historic Hot Springs Bathhouse District are the three most interactive places to start the trail experience whether by car, foot or bicycle. At Rotary Park, one can overlook the serene and beautiful Rio Grande. Nearly 2,000 miles long, meandering through three states and two countries, the Rio Grande is a great example of Mother Nature with its minerals and other healing properties. These special minerals have been used in medicinal venues for centuries.

Merry Jo Fahl, an orchestrator who was instrumental in the Healing Waters Trail development, stands next to a map of the trails. Pictured is Fahl, positioned at the Rotary Park Interpretive Panel/Map, explaining the route to two patrons of the trail.

"There is approximately a three-mile loop of trails that takes a hiker up the top of the hill to the Veterans Park overlooking the city."

She goes on to explain that there are seven interpretive panels, seven bike racks, 12 dog receptacles and seven Work Project Administration (WPA) sites from the late 1930s, scattered throughout the downtown area.

According to Fahl, it took just over two years to plan and execute the Healing Waters Trail (HWT).

"There were several organizations and governmental agencies we (the HWT committee) were able to get involved, which gave us access to more assets for further development," stated Fahl.

The very beginning of the idea for HWT occurred in the early 1990s when they started the salt cedar control program. This program was designed by the Sierra Soil & Water Conservation District to enhance the river along the Rio

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Grande corridor. In 2005, the New Mexico State Legislature designated \$5 million to remove the salt cedar along the corridor.

Eventually other organizations and agencies came forth with their own agendas and ideas to help develop the HWT. For instance, Geronimo Springs Museum had extra water rights that were currently not being utilized. These water rights were used in the development of the trails. Gary Whitehead contributed a vision to place handicap accessible fishing spots from Rotary Park. Other organizations are helping with grant monies to put more signage and benches along the trail, especially in the downtown area.

PRESERVING WETLANDS

Another aspect of the HWT is the enhancement of wetlands at Rotary Park, along the Rio Grande corridor. According to Fahl, the removal of sediment would produce a more active wetland along the southern end of the park.

"This can be accomplished by the volunteer usage of dirt removal equipment from the city. We need the city to send a letter to the Corps of Engineers to dredge the dirt," states Fahl.

She continued to explain that the Bureau of Reclamation graciously volunteers their services to produce a temporary berm each fall at the southern end of the park.

"We just need that berm moved south about 500 feet to allow water to flow into what would be a freshly dredge wetland area," she continues. "This would revitalize a very important wetland."

Fahl also pointed out that the trails have brought a larger percentage of the \$6 million bird watching revenue to Sierra County.

"People do not always realize that bird watchers and other visitors to the HWT spend money on food, souvenirs, motels and other amenities during their visits," Fahl said.

HISTORIC HOT SPRINGS BATHHOUSES & SPAS

As the HWTs meanders to the downtown area, visitors will come across 10 historic designated hot springs bathhouses. All 10 of the spas highlighted on the trail are registered and licensed by the State of New Mexico and the United States Department of Interior, Historic Preservation Park Services Division, (USDI). The temperatures for these historic bathhouses range from 98 to 115 degrees Fahrenheit with traces of more than 38 different minerals.

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The Jack E. Baker Rotary Park will soon be home of several handicap-accessible fishing areas. These areas will be built out over the river and easily accessible to most disabled individuals.

One such bathhouse is the Charles Motel & Hot Springs Spa. Records indicate that this well-preserved early auto court motel was built in 1938 to 1940. Owner Kathy Clark is very excited about a recent conference that took place in the hot springs area.

"Balneology is the study of thermal mineral water for health purposes," she explains.

It was a group of balneologists that came to Truth or Consequences because many believe that Sierra County has some of the healthiest, most healing hot springs in the country.

"People do not understand the incredible gift given by Mother Earth, especially here in Sierra County," states Clark.

As owner of the Charles for nearly 30 years, Clark has witnessed many things she would characterize as nothing less than miraculous. For instance, she mentions seeing people work an ancient 21-day Native American plan for use of hot springs.

"I have seen people work the 21-day plan with diabetic sores where the sores disappear," Clark explains.

She further talks about people that had to use walkers no longer needing that extra support to walk, and other healing remedies she witnessed over a lifetime of being a self proclaimed 'groupie' of hot springs from around the world.

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“One of the reasons the balneology conference was held here is because New Mexico is the only state that has legislative protection for their hot springs,” Clark says.

She also explains how many of the balneologist would like to use the legislative template to convince their states the best strategy is to separate hot springs mineral waters as a different usage than, say public swimming pools.

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was built in 1928 and is located at the base of the limestone ridge from which the first springs in the thermal basin flowed. Texas Home Court auto court (Firewater Lodge) built in the mid-1920s, this is the oldest remaining building located on Broadway. The Pelican Spa was built by local practitioner Dr. Mills in 1939. Blackstone Hot Springs has three buildings, the eastern building built in the 1920s, and two other buildings built in the 1940s.

Hay-Yo-Kay Hot Springs was built in 1945

and was built below grade so the tubs could be filled with natural discharge from the thermal springs. Indian Springs was constructed in 1935 with tubs in all the original rooming units and a separate bathhouse that was open to the public. Riverbend Hot Springs was formerly a minnow and bait shop from the 1940s to 1980s. In 1990, it became a hot springs hostel. Marshall Hot Springs (La Paloma Hot Springs) was built in 1935 as a motor court. Artesian Mineral Spa is hot springs number 10 and the main artesian well was established in 1930.

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Foot reflexology is offered at the Charles Motel by 40-year practitioner Shelby Schue. With more than 7,000 nerve endings in the foot, the entire body can relax and help balance the entire body through reflexology. One point of view says that each of the 7,200 nerve endings in the feet connects to a different area of the body. By direct pressure on specific areas of the foot, stimulation is sent to the corresponding body area.

Yoga and other forms of dance and reflection are offered at Studio de la Luz on Broadway, Selena Kareena's Ancient Art Studio in Monticello, and Zumba classes offered and Mannon's Gym in Elephant Butte.

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Tour of the Trinity Site is set for Saturday, April 6, 8 a.m.-2 p.m., 75 miles northwest of Alamogordo. On July 16, 1945, Manhattan Project scientists detonated the world's first atomic bomb in the Jornada del Muerto desert. The Trinity Site, as it was named, is closed to the public except for two open houses each year. Drive there and walk around unescorted, or join a caravan from Alamogordo (approximately 145 miles round trip). No reservations are required, but the gates close at 2 p.m., so get an early start! Cameras are allowed at the site during the tour. Cost: free. Contact White Sands Missile Range, (575) 678-1134. <http://www.wsmr.army.mil/PAO/Trinity/Pages/default.aspx>.

Miss Fiesta 2013

April 27 is the tentative date for the 2013 Miss Fiesta Pageant to be held at 7 p.m. in the Ralph Edwards Auditorium at the Truth or Consequences Civic Center, 400 W. Fourth St., Truth or Consequences. The Miss Fiesta Contest is sponsored annually by the Sierra County Junior Woman's Club. Young women between the ages of 16 and 21, who have lived in Sierra County for at least six months, are eligible. Contact: Sierra County Junior Woman's Club's Leslie Turner at (575) 497-9059. <http://www.torcfiesta.com>

Second Saturday Art Hop Slated

The second Saturday Art Hop is slated for Saturday, April 13, 6-9 p.m. Downtown Truth or Consequences galleries, studios, shops and restaurants are open late on the second Saturday of every month. Check the MainStreet

Truth or Consequences website for information on opening exhibits and special events. Cost: free. Contact MainStreet Truth or Consequences, promotions@torcmainstreet.org, <http://www.torcmainstreet.org/events/art-hop>.



NMBFN State Qualifier Tournament

New Mexico Bass Federation fishing tournament is slated for April 27 and 28 beginning at 6 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., at Marina del Sur at the main area of Elephant Butte Lake State Park. Cost: Day use fee \$5. Contact: New Mexico Bass Federation, Royce Scheetz, (720) 300-7854, TD@NMBFN.com.

A Recreational Paradise

Sierra County truly is a "recreational paradise" where thousands enjoy unparalleled boating, fishing and camping facilities at two state parks. Here, the lakes are among the largest bodies of water in the Southwest. Boat launching ramps, picnic shelters, and camping sites with water, rest rooms and electric hookups are available at both Elephant Butte Lake and Caballo Lake state parks.

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and alternative medicines is Dr. Joann Love. Educated with conventional medicine teachings. Love spent many years working as an E.R. doctor, occupational doctor and finally a trauma doctor. Love considers the type of medicine she practices now as allopathic. The expression, allopathic medicine, is commonly used by homeopaths and proponents of other forms of alternative medicine to refer to mainstream medical use of pharmacologically active agents or physical interventions.

"I believe that the body, given time, will heal its entire system," states Love. She further explains that when she first started studying medicine, "it was to learn all the ways to heal the body."

Around 2008, Love purchased the formerly known Dave's Cloverleaf Health Foods. According to Love, the deal with the purchase of the property was that it be used for some type of healing. The newest chapter in Love's life will be starting a practice that specializes in thyroid care. She believes that proper foods, proper sunlight therapy, conventional medicines and healing waters will all work together to produce healthier thyroids.

According to their definition, the thyroid gland controls how quickly the body uses energy, makes proteins and controls how sensitive the body is to other hormones. It participates in these processes by producing thyroid hormones. These hormones regulate the rate of metabolism, and affect the growth and rate of function of many other systems in the body.

"I really want to teach people that there is a whole approach to healthier living. Food, sun and water are the key to longer and healthier lives," states Love.

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The county's 8,700 population is distributed over 2, 771,200 acres of land on some 420 farms

and ranches. There are 8,880 acres of irrigated farm land, and 146 ranches raising livestock within Sierra County.

Completion of Elephant Butte Dam in 1916 and Caballo Dam in 1938 made possible farming on the present scale. Irrigation in this area dates back to the Spanish in the 17th century and production from this rich alluvial bottom land hastened settlement by Americans after 1850. These early irrigation systems were limited to community ditches which diverted the normal flow of the river without benefit of permanent diversion structures. Elephant Butte

reservoir has a capacity of 346,000 acre feet of water. In addition to the reservoirs the system now consists of five diversion dams, 610 miles of diversion and distribution canals and laterals, 502 miles of land drains and waster ditches and six canal and drain structures across the Rio Grande. The project extends from Sierra County downstream through Dona Ana County and into El Paso County, Texas.

The million and a half acres of grazing land is divided up among some of the very largest ranches to the more modest spreads.

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Just as research has improved the quality of chili by developing new varieties, so have changes in processing, packaging, and storing chili resulting in a product that has a wide variety of uses and appeals to an expanding market.

Chili reaches the market in a variety of ways. Green fresh chili in southern New Mexico is ready to market by mid or late July and remains on the market shelves and roadside stands until frost comes in November. The season for fresh red chili is naturally shorter since the chili remains in the field longer than when picked green.

Chili is also canned in whole pods, usually packed in 4 oz., 10 oz., and No.1 2½ cans. They are usually labeled hot or mild. Four and ten ounce cans of chopped chili are also common as are red and green chili sauces.

Chili has shown a very healthy growth as a New Mexico crop vegetable. Though it is a perennial in its native tropical habitat, chili grows and an annual in temperate zones and only under irrigation. That is one reason why the fertile Rio Grande Valley below Truth or Consequences has become the "Chili Capital" of New Mexico.

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ARREY

Arrey, a prominent farming community in Sierra County, was settled about 1890 when homesteading was introduced to the area.

The Elephant Butte Land and Cattle Company paid the people to build homes and clear the land. When the homesteads were "proved" the people deeded their land to the company. Thus, the first development of the area.

As others learned that the land could be homesteaded, the valley began filling up. Many of the families of today are descendants of those early Spanish settlers.

The settlers by November 1892, had cleared enough land to farm, then worked together to build an irrigation system which consisted of a large ditch. The ditch brought water from the Rio Grande above Animas Creek. Corn and wheat were the crops that were raised in those days.

The area was called El Bonito until the post office was established in 1901 by Urbano Arrey. The community then became known as Arrey.

A mill was built by Edward Hopkins in 1904 three miles south of Arrey. Residents of the valley brought their wheat to the mill to be ground into flour.

Steady growth was noted as settlers continued to come to the valley in the later 1910s and the 1920s. The first school was built in 1904 consisting of one room. In 1912 a larger two room school was built, and in 1936, a five room school was completed in the present location of the Arrey School. The school is the last rural school in Sierra County.

In 1916 the Elephant Butte Dam was completed and irrigation district was formed. Percha Dam was built by the United States Reclamation Service in 1917. Caballo Dam was built from 1936 to 1938. In 1928 the community saw the construction of U. S. Highway 85.

More farmers moved into the area in the 1930s.

Today the Arrey area is one of the largest chili producing areas in southern Rio Grande Valley. Farming with the latest in mechanized equipment, farmers provide chili to a fast growing world-wide market.

CABALLO

The original community of Caballo is covered by water. The settlement began when John Gordon and his family came to the area in the spring of 1908 bringing livestock and homesteading.

The post office was established in 1916. In 1938 when the lake behind the Caballo Dam began to fill it covered the homes of earlier settlers. These families moved their homes to the foothills on the west side of the Rio Grande and went on to raise livestock. The community also had a school, later consolidated to TorC. Today the area is filling up with people buying small parcels of land for retirement. The area on Animas Creek is lined with small farms with a number of the early settlers still actively engaged in farming and raising livestock.

Caballo State Park attracts thousands of visitors each year to enjoy boating, water skiing, fishing and camping.

The name Caballo was derived from the Sierra De Los Caballos Mountains, the Spanish word for Caballo, meaning horse. The mountains

were named for the herds of wild horses found in the mountains, said to be descendants of the horses brought here in the 1540s by Coronado.

DERRY

Located in the wouthernmost area of Sierra County, is the community of Derry. Its sister community is Garfield located in Dona Ana County and was known as "Loma Parda" meaning Gray Mountain in Spanish.

Both communities were settled at the same time. The first settlers came with their cattle, horses, sheep and goats. The free range and the Homestead Act of 1862 brought the settlers to the area.

Later they started farming after getting together and constructing a rock and timber diversion dam to channel river water into a main ditch. The dam was located about three miles north of the present day Derry. Each landowner assisted in the maintenance according to the acreage he irrigated.

The arrangement served the early farmers until the United States Reclamation service built Elephant Butte Dam.

Wheat, corn, beans and pumpkins were the main crops grown at the time. It was 1926 before the first cotton was planted.

Indians were a problem to the early settler. However, as long as they were kept supplied with horses and sheep, the Indians remained friendly.

The first school was built in 1898; the first Catholic Church in 1904; and a post office was established in 1904 and the community took the name Derry. The name was selected because of a fellow soldier who had served with the U. S. Army with one of the land owners of Loma Parda.

Derry enjoyed a small mining boom in the 1920s when manganese and fluorspar was mined in the Caballo Mountains. The boom was short lived.

LAS PALOMAS

The community of Las Palomas was founded about 1863 or before. It is located about five miles south of Truth or Consequences.

The community sprang up with the establishment of one store. After the Indians left the area,

a number of miles opened in the Caballo Mountains bringing people to the community which for a time boomed. Following the boom, people left for other parts of the county. A one room school served as the educational institution for youngsters of the community. As the enrollment increased, a second room was added.

When the construction of Caballo Dam began the water rose and the people from Las Palomas had to flee their homes. The water was destroying their homes. Most of the residents moved to Hot Springs, while others moved across from Highway 85, which is known as Palomas Creek. While there are a few families residing in the original townsite of Las Palomas, most residents have farms on the Creek.



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57 Taylor Rd: Stunning Contemporary Southwest style home. True custom home, with three bedrooms 3.5 baths. Open flowing great room, kitchen and dining areas, offer panoramic views of Elephant Butte Lake, and Dam. Contemporary fireplace, hardwood floors, granite counters & island, with Maple cabinetry. Spacious master suite, opens to patio, with tremendous views. \$650,000. MLS #20122421.



305 E Second St: Beautiful well maintained manufactured home on large 60X140 fenced lot. Zero maintenance landscaping, attached carport. RV parking with electric, sewer and water hook up. Open living area, large office or third bedroom. Double sinks and walk in shower in the master bath. Built in book shelves. Close to downtown hot mineral baths and shopping. \$69,000.

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1-25 And Hubble Rd: West side of I 25 Across from Wal mart, and Proposed Spaceport America Visitors Center. High Visibility, easy access. 6 acre commercial site. Between the Water tank and I 25. Beautiful Mountain Views! Overlooks proposed back 9 of the T or C Golf Course. Call Gretchen for all the details. MLS #20131077.



877 Underwood: On paved road, with underground electric and phone. Walk this lot to the top. Beautiful Lake views! 1.84 acre, estate size lot. In exclusive part of Lakeshore Highlands. Motivated seller. Check this one out. \$29,000. MLS #20131076.



Concord St Chloride: Lots 21-22-23 Between Concord & Hancock in Chloride. Platted subdivision, road is unimproved. Buyer to determine the cost of extension of utilities. Nearly off the grid in Historic Chloride NM. \$5,000. MLS #20131072.



015 Divide Well Rd: 232 acres of range land. Just a few miles from Spaceport America on Divide Well Rd. West of Upham Road. Property touches Country Rd A014 and A015. Lots of possibilities here. \$500,000. MLS #20130878.



1004 N Hwy 51: Main building is over 6400 sq. ft. Additional detached 10 x 80 mini storage units. Easy access for Semi's. Bay doors, 3 phase power. Loads of Possibilities. Possible lease with option. Fully fenced. On the way to Spaceport America. \$650,000. MLS #20130875.



16 Monterrey Pt: 1.50 acre lot offers outstanding lake and mountain views. Shared well, underground electric, and paved roads. CC&R's to protect your investment. Build when you are ready. \$135,000. MLS #20130852.



10 Meritage: Truly a custom built home. Outstanding Elephant Butte Lake Views. This home has a 709 sq. ft. studio, that would be ideal for artist or office with private entrance. Secluded, on the way to Spaceport America. Built by Rutherford Homes, award winning builder. Truly one of a kind home. Massive great room with 180 degree views of the lake. The kitchen offers sub zero refrigerator, and full size wine cooler. Beautiful tile floors, enclosed front court yard. \$729,000. MLS #20130843.



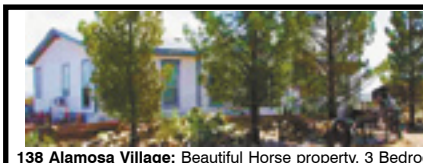
261 Vineyard Rd: 12,800 sq. ft. building minutes from Spaceport America. Building Sections 40X60, 40X80, 40X120, all attached with 16 foot bay doors through out. Walk in Cooler, offices and kitchen area. \$650,000. MLS #20130770.



60 Armendaris: Beautiful Lake and Mountain views from this 3 Bed/2Bath Champagne Hills home. Custom tile flooring, double sided fireplace, for living room and master bedroom. Master bath offers double sinks, jetted tub, and separate shower. Enjoy the fabulous sunrises and sunsets. \$290,000. MLS #20130744.



504 Skyline: Nice large 4 bedroom 3 bath home in quiet neighborhood with large shop, 2 car garage, and RV parking ...room for all your toys. Home has beautiful view of the lake. Open floor plan perfect for entertaining and enjoying family time. \$249,000. MLS #20125354.



138 Alamosa Village: Beautiful Horse property. 3 Bedroom 2 bath Oak Creek Manufactured home on 20 acres. Home offers open living area large master suite with walk in closet, master bath offers double sinks garden tub and walk in shower. Horse barn, 2 car carport, work shop and office or bunk house. Beautiful mountain views. Plenty of room to ride. Enjoy the quiet seclusion. \$160,000. MLS #20125449.



1105 N Riverside Dr: 3 bedroom 2.5 Bath. On the Rio Grande River. 0.394 acre lot, fully fenced. Beautiful addition, with beam ceiling, and barnwood accents. New carpet. Wrap around covered decks, shaded by cotton woods. Fabulous views of the river and Caballo Mountains. Prime location. \$179,000. MLS #20125341.



65 Barky Springs Rd: Astounding custom home. Vaulted ceilings, cedar beams, milled in Berlin New Hampshire, and transported to NM. Spacious Great room, with fireplace, beamed ceiling, views of the Caballo Mt range, and the valleys below. Large dining room, with built in buffet, allows for gracious entertaining. The sunroom, offers panoramic views and inviting fireplace. Custom kitchen with Wolfe Range, subzero frig, dual sinks, and wet bar, Rocky Mountain Hardware. Much More! \$650,000. MLS #20125203.



517 Elm: Well Maintained 2 Bed/2 Bath manufactured home on large 70X99 corner lot. Enclosed front patio, covered back patio, 2 storage sheds and 2 carports. Fully fenced lot plenty of room for RV and boat parking. Home sells furnished. \$57,000. MLS #20125012.



10792 Hwy 152 Hillsboro: Beautiful 4 bedroom 2 bath home, mature trees. Enjoy the formal living room, large formal dining room, cabinet filled kitchen with breakfast room, and bar. Stainless steel appliances. Large master suite. 10 x 40 screened porch. 8 car garage. \$315,000. MLS #20124563.



1110 Arabian Circle: 3 BD/2Ba home on 1.37 acres in Prestigious Lakeshore Highlands. Open floor plan. Quiet Cul-de sac. Shared well. Horses permitted. Beautiful mountain views. \$135,000. Call Gretchen. MLS #20122044.



300 Underwood: Beautiful custom home in Lakeshore Highlands. Fabulous lake and mountain views. Wall of windows frame panoramic views of Elephant Butte lake. Breakfast bar, formal dining area, pantry, extra wall oven, upgraded appliances in the kitchen. Covered patio, outdoor fireplace & fountain. 1275 sqft garage for all of your lake toys. \$525,000. MLS #20123300.



113 Mustang: 3BR/2BA. Estate sale. Beautiful Lake and Mountain views from this 1.55 acre lot in Lakeshore Highlands. Attached two car garage, with full bath. Detached RV garage 24X30. Room for all of your lake toys. \$197,000. Call Gretchen. MLS #20120958.



700 Erie Ave: Corner Lot! 0.50 acre. Open floor plan is ideal for entertaining. 3 BR/2.5 baths. Oversized laundry with exceptional storage. Garage space for 9 vehicles. Plus 1/2 bath. 12 foot door on the RV portion. \$249,000. Call Gretchen for details. MLS #20121094.



1309 N Riverside: Beautiful property on the Rio Grande River. Main Home has 2 BR 2 baths. Open living area, beautiful laminate flooring, large addition. Huge 30X60 garage offers parking for large boat or several cars, plus a 2 bedroom 1 bath guest home. Two fishing dock, screened porch, covered carport and workshop area. This is a must see property. \$165,000. Call Rachel. MLS #20122736.



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204 Black Range: 3 Bedroom 2 Bath Manufactured home assessed as permanent. Large fully fenced lot, with 24X24 detached garage. Room for all of your Lake Toys. Priced to sell. \$82,000. MLS #20124556.



22 Monticello RV Park: Well Maintained 1997 Sportman RV. Two Pull outs. Large refrigerator. Beautiful Covered 10X30 Trex deck. Large storage shed. Plenty of room to park the boat. Space rent \$120.00 a month. Beautiful views of the mountains. \$24,000. MLS #20123748.

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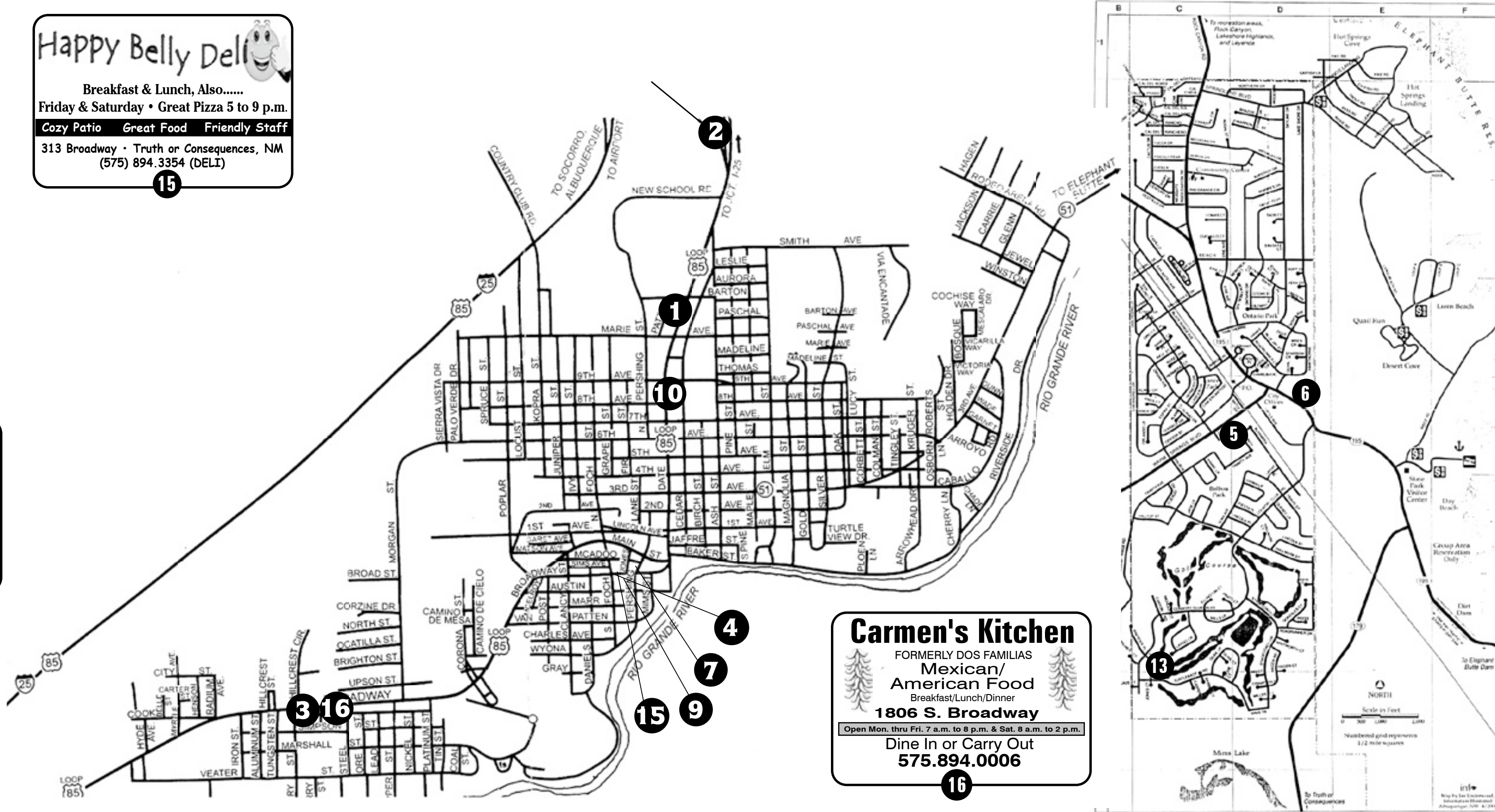


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