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Donte Mercado, age 11, hits a perfectly-timed pitch at Arcadia Little League practice. Games start this month, with an opening ceremony happening on March 23. For more: arcadialittleleague.com.
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My family and I live very close to Hopi Elementary School. We've lived there for 15 years, so we have spent some time in the school drop-off and pick-up traffic jams on Lafayette. After a while, you learn to just avoid the area during those two times of the day. But not anymore. The new Hopi remodel included a quarter-mile long "traffic lane" that meanders through the property like an amusement park ride. I half expect to see little guide bars in the pavement and 3/4-sized model Ts putt-putting around the track.

This feature does seem to clear up all that traffic, which is nice. Although now I see people doing the "dump-n-go" along Lafayette, where they slow their mini-van down to about 6 m.p.h. and boot their backpacked children out of the sliding doors like little Airborne Rangers. I suppose it's either that or sit in the protracted pick-up/drop-off line. Remember kids, keep your legs bent and roll through your landing to dissipate the impact.

I would like to thank Arcadia's aerial photographer extraordinaire, Jim Todd, for the photos in our Hopi story (page 36) this month. Jim has been doing aerial photography for a long time and he clearly loves it. He's a purist, because while he could've easily thrown a drone up there to get the shot, Jim would rather hang out of a helicopter and capture it himself. Jim's work shows us Hopi from the sky through the years, starting in 1998. The online version of the Hopi story has many more photos: arcadianews.com.

There's a lot going on in this issue, so I won't keep your eyes here anymore. Thank you for reading the *Arcadia News!*

— Greg A. Bruns, Publisher





THIS MONTH'S WINNER:

Megan Gotshall, Service Learning/Outreach Coordinator
Christ Lutheran School

ARCADIA NEWS TEACHERS we love

What does a day in the life of a Service Learning & Outreach Coordinator look like?

At CLS, every grade level has a different service focus. For example, fourth grade is homelessness, fifth grade is the elderly, sixth grade is Veterans. My role is to bring in guest speakers, stories and experiences that help each grade learn about that group of people. Another part of my role is planning service projects and field trips in which the students/parents can participate.

My day can get crazy – I might be teaching a lesson, conducting an assembly, going on a field trip, or planning events. My admin team and the teachers at CLS are awesome because they let me try anything that they think the students will benefit from. They are very encouraging and supportive.

How long have you been teaching at CLS?

This is my fourth year at CLS. I taught third grade at Zion Lutheran School in San Francisco for five years. Having experience as a classroom teacher helped me understand how to integrate service projects and guest speakers into the school day and classroom curriculum. It also helped me learn how to communicate the awesome stories within our community.

Where did you grow up?

I grew up in Thailand. We were missionaries there when I was five to 13 years old. Living there for eight years really helped to open my eyes up to the world and how there are so many people in need, physically and spiritually. It helps remind me that there is so much out there to experience and unique stories and circumstances to see. I moved to Phoenix when I was 13 and went to Christ Lutheran School myself. It's a fabulous school, and I'm grateful for the way God has unfolded my life.

Describe the Leadership Program at CLS.

Assistant Principal Suzanne Black developed the Leadership Program 11 years ago. Suzanne was a school parent and wanted to see if another opportunity could be provided for students who wanted to hone their leadership skills.

For the last four years, I have been responsible for Leadership Group, and it has evolved into a group that students in sixth-eighth grade can apply to be in if they would like to grow their leadership skills. We have meetings with speakers as well as projects like the Veterans Day Breakfast that we host where we serve around 50+ Veterans and hear their stories.

What inspired you to become a teacher?

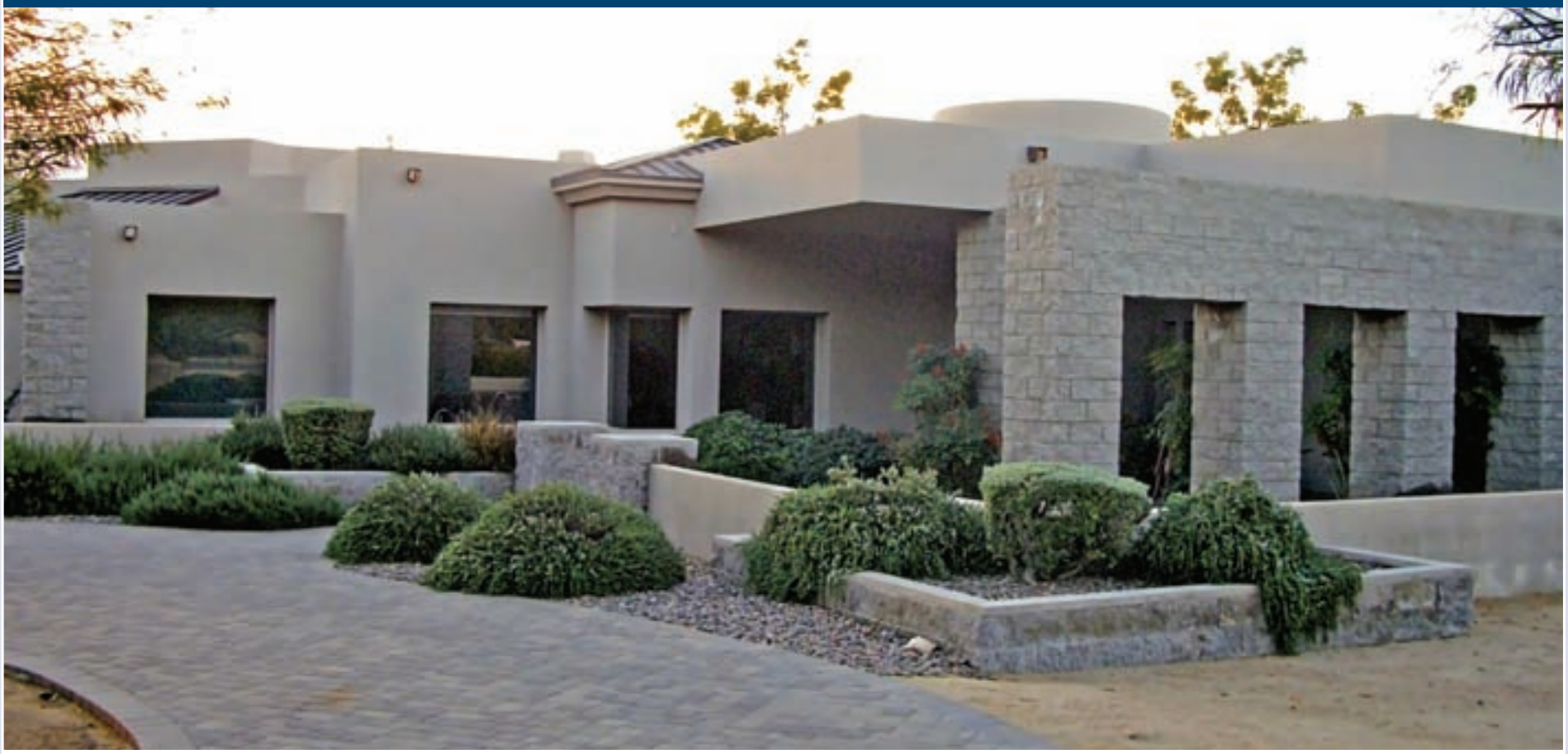
My parents are both teachers. Pastor Jeff Schrank asked me to help at the CLS summer camp when I was in high school and that experience, being trusted with a leadership role and being given the opportunity to practice leading kids at a young age, helped me figure out that I was passionate about teaching children. My parents were great "teacher role models" for me and really showed me how to be a teacher that loves her students, their families and my school community.

What is your favorite part of teaching?

I love seeing students step out of their comfort zone and connect with someone at our service experiences. When I take fifth graders to the nursing home and see them engage with seniors and make conversation, or when a student walks up to a Veteran sitting alone at our Veterans Day Breakfast and starts talking with them, it fills my heart with joy. They might've changed someone else's life by that act of bravery and love.

Winning teachers receive Arcadia News gift items, a gift certificate for the Phoenician Spa and a gift certificate to Postino.
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Homes Sold -	21 homes
Average Sale Price -	$1,446,000
Average Sold $ Per SF -	$364
Average Days On Market -	85 days

There is currently 6 months of home inventory. (based on 2018 sales results)

2018 home sales have decreased 19% this year. (based on 2018 sales results)

2018 home prices have decreased 12%. (based on 2018 sales results)

2018 $ Per Square Foot prices have increased 9%. (based on 2018 sales results)

2018 homes are taking 38% less time to sell. (based on 2018 sales results)

2019 TAVAN SCHOOL DISTRICT SALES RESULTS

(1/01/2019-1/31/2019)

Active Homes -	91 Homes
Homes Sold -	17 Homes
Average Sale Price -	$637,000
Average Sold $ Per SF -	$280
Average Days On Market -	89 days

There is currently 5 months of home inventory. (based on 2018 sales results)

2018 home sales have decreased 6% this year. (based on 2018 sales results)

2018 home prices have increased 1%. (based on 2018 sales results)

2018 $ Per Square Foot prices have increased 4%. (based on 2018 sales results)

2018 Homes are taking 2% more time to sell. (based on 2018 sales results)

2018 HOPI SCHOOL DISTRICT SALES RESULTS

Homes Sold -	310 homes
Average Sale Price -	$1,275,000
Average Sold $ Per SF -	$352
Average Days On Market -	136 days

2018 TAVAN SCHOOL DISTRICT SALES RESULTS

Homes Sold -	215 Homes
Average Sale Price -	$632,000
Average Sold $ Per SF -	$270
Average Days On Market -	87 days

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Second annual Teddy Bear Drive a success

By Anthony Wallace

Emma Jazo started her first year of high school this year, but she has different priorities than one might expect from someone her age. This February, she ran her second annual Valentine's Day Teddy Bear Drive for the patients at the Phoenix Children's Hospital.

The Teddy Bear Drive is just one of many volunteering initiatives in which Emma participated. This past summer – to scratch the itch to give back – she took a trip to Costa Rica with a program called Global Leadership Adventures.

"You get to do some fun things like ziplining and horseback riding but you also get to work in the schools with the kids," Emma said.

Working with children is one constant among her many projects. Emma loves working with kids, which naturally led her to her current venture with Phoenix Children's Hospital.

She remembers how stuffed animals made her feel when she was younger and she hoped to deliver that same feeling to less fortunate children this past Valentine's Day.

"When I was little, I always loved stuffed animals… they made me super excited," Emma said. "I hoped it would have the same impact on the kids, make them excited and a little bit happier because they're in the hospital on Valentine's Day and they don't get to experience the things that the other kids do on that day."

Last year, following her first Teddy Bear Drive, Emma delivered 85 bears to the hospital. This year, she more than doubled her collection with a total of 197 stuffed animals.

As a part of her efforts to expand the drive in its second iteration, she went door to door in her neighborhood passing out fliers and encouraging people to donate to the box situated outside of her home. In a matter of days, neighbors filled the bear collection basket to the brim.

Jenni Rogers, who works as a child life specialist at PCH, said her team is continually looking for ways to help so that "kids can be kids" while they are hospitalized, especially during the holidays.

"One way to do this is to provide them with a special stuffed animal and a valentine. Students like Emma are integral in helping us provide opportunities for normalcy and of course bring a smile to their day. We appreciate the tremendous support we receive from not only students like Emma, but also the greater community," Rogers said.

Emma and the friends and siblings she recruited to join her cause harnessed the power of social media to spread awareness of her Teddy Bear Drive.

Additionally, she partnered with local restaurants and schools to increase the number of places that people could drop off stuffed animals. My Three Girls Bakery even offered a free muffin or cookie to customers who donated.

Jenifer Steele, who works with La Grande Orange, helped out by offering 25 percent off of all stuffed animals sold in the shop as well as asking friends and family for donations, one of which was $150 that Steele used to buy stuffed animals that were donated.

Thanks to Emma, dozens of children had their Valentine's Day brightened by a teddy bear donated from a generous member of their community.

"For the kids that are in the hospital on Valentine's Day, it's a nice thing to get a stuffed animal. It makes you feel better," Emma said.

This summer she would like to go on another volunteer trip, but if that doesn't work out, she's hoping to work locally with children in some capacity.



PHOTO: EMMA JAZO

Arcadia High School freshman Emma Jazo (right) delivered nearly 200 stuffed animals to Phoenix Children's Hospital.

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Veritas Prep lends hand to Operation Gratitude

By Anthony Wallace

As it did for so many Americans, 9/11 inspired Carolyn Blashek to take action. Following the deadliest terrorist attack in American history, she began volunteering in the military lounge at LAX. One conversation she had with a soldier departing for duty disturbed her deeply.

"I know I won't make it back this time, but it really doesn't matter because no one would even care," he said.

From that point on, Blashek made it her mission to make all service people – active duty soldiers, domestic first responders, and Veterans of earlier conflicts – feel appreciated and cared for. It was in the course of fulfilling this goal that she started Operation Gratitude.

Since its inception, Operation Gratitude has assembled and shipped more than 2 million care packages filled with snacks, entertainment, and personal care items. Perhaps most importantly, the packages also include handwritten thank you notes from grateful citizens. Many recipients of the packages point to the cheerful, curious and gracious letters from children and students as their favorite part of the gift.

"Inside had many things, but one of the best things is what is in my hand," said one grateful recipient. "A thank you letter from a child. Nothing can beat that to me. Thank you for all the support you give us. This is not my first deployment, nor is it my first package from you, but each and every time I am touched and rejuvenated."

This past December, members of Veritas Prep's Great Hearts, Great Hands Club supported Operation Gratitude by writing letters and making cards to be included in care packages.

"Operation Gratitude is truly a wonderful organization. It allowed us students to understand the hardships that the troops undertake. This experience gave me the opportunity to show my appreciation for the troops," student Mahek Sawhney said. "It was a great way for me and my peers to show how grateful and thankful we are to the heroes and all they do for us."



PHOTO: KARYN MERCADO

Operation Gratitude sends over 300,000 care packages to deployed soldiers each year. Veritas Prep's Great Hearts, Great Hands Club helped out by writing letters and making cards.

There were around 20 students who participated and the group sent off 28 cards. The club had made cards for soldiers three years ago, but this was the first time it had worked specifically with Operation Gratitude.

"I enjoyed making cards for Operation Gratitude. For me, these cards have the potential to bring a smile to someone's face. By making these cards, I have gained a greater appreciation for soldiers and first responders by reflecting on the daily sacrifices that they have made so that we can be safe," said Grace Khan, president of the Great Hearts, Great Hands Club.

The club is dedicated to "bringing the Veritas ideals of truth, goodness, and beauty closer to the Phoenix community through acts of volunteer service." The members of the club participate in volunteer and charity works off campus and throughout the year.

According to the student website, by using "great hearts and great minds" through outreach, Veritas hopes to bring its ideals into the Phoenix community.

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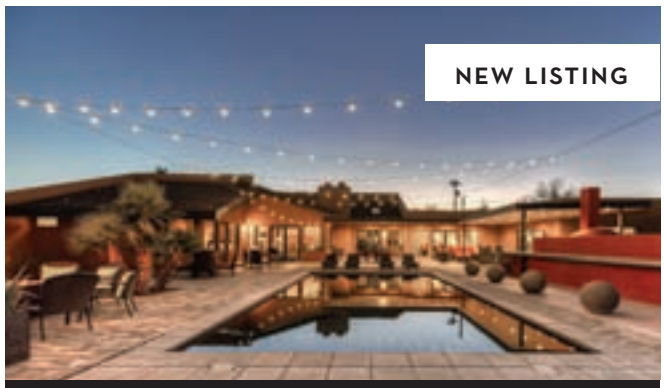
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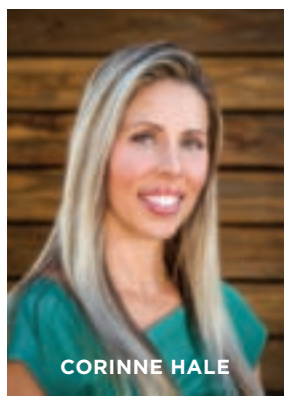
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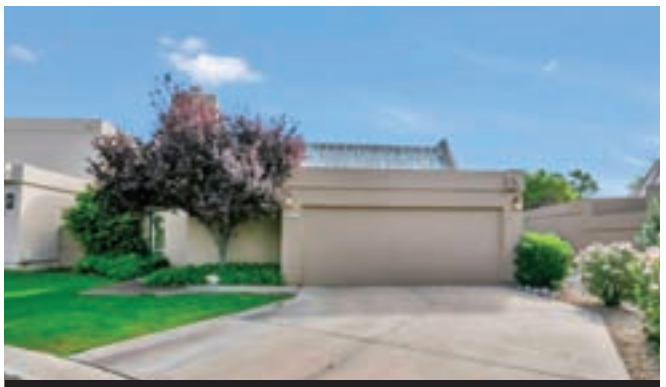
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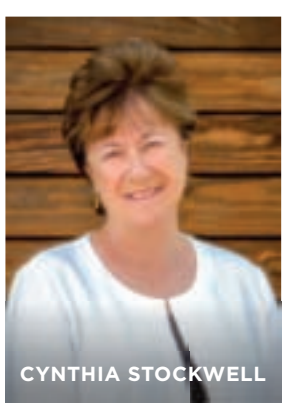
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SATURDAY 3/2

Polish Festival

10 a.m. – 9 p.m. at Our Lady of Czestochowa Parish, 2828 W. Country Gables Dr., Phoenix. Ever get a craving for Polish sausage? Well, now you can have the authentic dish at the 16th annual Polish Festival. Along with the traditional cuisine, there will be live music, dance performances, polka and fencing contests, pierogi eating contest, raffles and prizes, a kids zone and of course, polish beer. Admission is free. For more: festiwal.polskaparafiaphoenix.com.



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Mimosas and Monet

9:30 – 11:30 a.m. at the Hermosa Inn, 5532 N. Palo Cristi Road, Paradise Valley. Calling all painters, beginners and experts alike. Hermosa Inn welcomes Carrie Curran Art Studios for a morning of art and mimosas. Carrie will teach and guide guests with an acrylic on canvas painting of Monet's Desert Agave. Enjoy a mimosa and snack on pastries while creating your masterpiece. Registration is $85. For more: hermosainn.com.

SUNDAY 3/3

Indian Fair and Market

9:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. at the Heard Museum, 2301 N. Central Ave., Phoenix. The largest art market and one of Heard Museum's longest-running events, the Indian Fair and Market is one of a kind. There will be 600 Native artists on-site showcasing their mediums, plus live entertainment, storytelling, arts and crafts, book signings and a "best of show" award ceremony. Tickets are $20. For more: heard.org.

WEDNESDAY 3/6

Guest Speaker Series

9:30 a.m. at Christ Lutheran Church, 3901 E. Indian School Road, Phoenix. Win Holden, former publisher for *Arizona Highways* Magazine, will talk about how the magazine began as a tri-fold brochure for ADOT and grew into an award-winning publication. Lunch will be provided at noon. RSVP to Jennifer Harrenstein at 602-955-4830. Admission is free. For more: clsphx.org.

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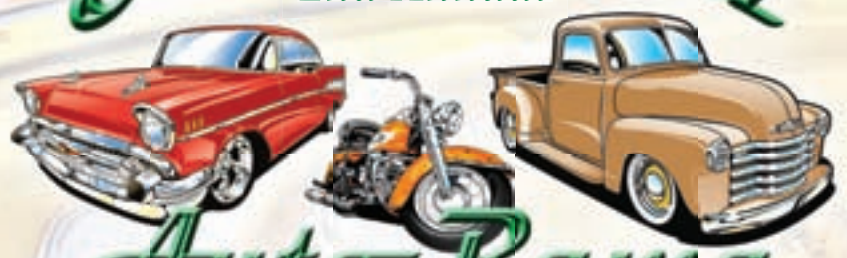


Week One: Around the Campfire (June 3-6)	Week Two: Passport to the World (June 10-13)	Week Three: DinoDig! (June 17-20)	Week Four: Big Blue Ocean (June 24-27)

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Note: Anyone from anywhere, can enter almost anything on wheels… all are welcome.
For more information: www.acmna.org/events/arcadia-auto-rama

WHAT'S HAPPENING, *ARCADIA?*

SATURDAY 3/9

St. Catty's Day Cat Show

9 a.m. – 4 p.m. at the El Zaribah Shrine, 552 N. 40th St., Phoenix. Calling all furry feline lovers, this is your event. Presented in association with the All About Animals Rescue, this event will not only be a juried cat show, but will also have a vendor village and adoption area, plus two educational specials about how to care for your cat and how to "show" your cat. Tickets are $8 for adults and $4 for kids. For more: cfasouthwest.org.

Breast Cancer Resource Expo

9 a.m. – 1 p.m. at the Phoenix Airport Marriott, 1101 N. 44th St., Phoenix. Hosted by My Hope Bag, a nonprofit devoted to supporting the breast cancer committee, this expo will have resources such as pain management, support groups, financial support, wigs and mastectomy clothing, as well panel talks for attendees to learn more about topics related to breast cancer. Admission is free. For more: MyHopeBag.org.

SUNDAY 3/10

Arizona Aloha Festival

10 a.m. – 5 p.m. at Tempe Town Lake, 80 W. Rio Salado Pkwy., Tempe. Celebrate the Hawaiian culture in your own backyard. The Aloha Festival at Tempe Town Lake will feature all things Hawaiian, Tahitian and Samoan as well as other South Pacific cultures. There will be dancing and musical performances, food, drinks, arts and crafts, a kids zone, raffles and more. This event is free. For more: azalohafest.org.



***Ostrich Festival** at Tumbleweed Park in Chandler.*

Ostrich Festival

10 a.m. – 11 p.m. at Tumbleweed Park, 2250 S. McQueen Road, Chandler. Have you ever seen how fast an ostrich can run? If not, here's your chance. The 31st annual Ostrich Festival is back with national and local entertainment, a reptile show, pig, dog and ostrich races, a science show, petting zoo, storybook time, carnival rides and food trucks. Tickets are $15 for adults and $8 for kids. For more: ostrichfestival.com.

SATURDAY 3/16

Kiss Me I'm Irish Run

7 a.m. at Westgate, 6751 N. Sunset Blvd., Glendale. You don't have to be Irish to participate in the "Kiss Me I'm Irish" Run. Dress in green and run the half marathon, 8K or 4K (bring the little ones for this race) in support of the Arizona Relay for Life. There will also be live music, finishers' medals and a post-race after party. Registration is $35-$75. For more: irishrunaz.com.

St. Patrick's Day Parade & Fair

10 a.m. in downtown Phoenix, 3rd St. and Sheridan. If you don't feel like running, head to downtown Phoenix and catch the St. Patty's Day parade with marching bands, dance performances and bagpipes. Then head to the Irish Fair, where there will be live music and entertainment, food and drinks, a vendor market, kids zone and a craft beer tasting (because we're all Irish on St. Patrick's Day). Admission is $12. For more: stpatricksdayphoenix.org.

Preserve the Past Festival

10 a.m. – 4 p.m. at the Shops on Camelback, 835 E. Camelback Road, Phoenix. The Preserve the Past Festival will take place this Saturday behind Baker Brothers Flooring. This informational festival will have restoration and repair experts on hand, as well as appraisers (see how much that tea set is worth!) and genealogy/ancestry experts. Attendees will also be able to enjoy food trucks and live music. Admission is free. For more: theshopsoncamelback.com.

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Saturday, March 23, 2019, 8:15 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Prince of Peace Church (gym). Come and help for an hour or two.
All are invited ages 3 and up to help pack meals for hungry kids.
Visit our website to volunteer, donate or for more information.

Preschool Registration is in full swing!
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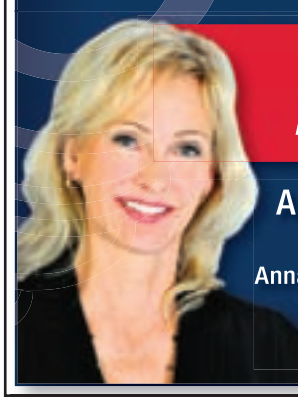
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SUNDAY 3/17

Beauty to the Rescue

9 a.m. – 2 p.m. at Mane Attraction Salon, 3156 E. Camelback Road, Phoenix. The 19th annual Beauty to the Rescue Fundraiser is back and ready to pamper you. Attendees can provide a minimum donation and get a haircut, blow dry style, makeup touch-up or deep conditioning mask to support the Phoenix Animal Care Coalition. There will also be music, vendors, raffles, a silent auction and pet adoptions. For more: maneattractionsalon.com.

TUESDAY 3/19

Creative Aging Class – Storytelling

10 a.m. – 12 p.m. at Temple Solel, 6805 E. McDonald Dr., Paradise Valley. This one is for the writers. These classes are aimed at those 60 years and older and will use exercises and games to explore new material for storytelling. Stories will be examined at every class. Presented by Jewish Family and Children's Services and taught by Kim Porter, attendees will learn and have fun in a low-stress environment. Classes are $80. For more: jfcsaz.org.



Food for Kidz Packathon *at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Phoenix.*

FRIDAY 3/22

Burger Battle

7 – 9:30 p.m. at the Scottsdale Waterfront, 7135 E. Camelback Road, Scottsdale. It's time for the best battle of them all – the battle of the burger. More than 15 local restaurants will showcase their burgers and we the people get to choose which burger is best. Sample as many as you like; there will also be fries, shakes and drinks to sample, as well as live music and lawn games. Tickets are $65 for general admission with VIP packages available. For more: scottsdalefest.org.

Buggie Nights: Bug Power

6 – 8 p.m. at the Phoenix Zoo, 455 N. Galvin Pkwy., Phoenix. Get ready to boogie with the bugs. Bug Power is all about the insects. Attendees will get unlimited access to the exhibit, plus join the dance party, caterpillar obstacle course, robots, face painting, live bug encounters as well as games and activities. Tickets are $10 per person. For more: phoenixzoo.org.

SATURDAY 3/23

Food for Kidz Packathon

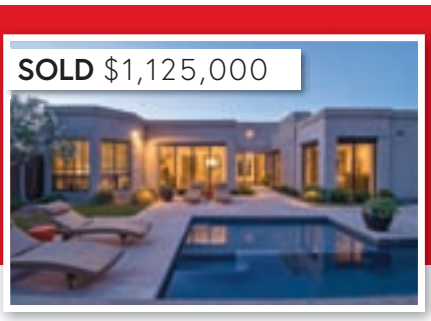
8 a.m. – 2 p.m. at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 3641 N. 56th St., Phoenix. The 5th annual Arcadia Cares: Food for Kidz Packathon is back this year and ready to lend a helping hand. The community is welcome to volunteer to help pack meals for underprivileged families. The goal is to pack at least 143,166 meals at this event, which will bring the five-year total to 500,000. Volunteers can sign up for one-hour shifts at: popphoenix.org.

Princess Day

11 a.m. at Unicorn Cupcake Boutique, 7227 E. Shea Blvd., Scottsdale. Today is the day your child can really become a princess at the Unicorn Cupcake Boutique. Kids can meet Princess Merida from the movie *Brave*, listen to stories, take photos and get a signed autograph and maybe even go home with a few sweet treats. Everyone is welcome to come dressed in their favorite princess costume. Admission is free but registration is required. For more: unicorncupcakeboutique.com.

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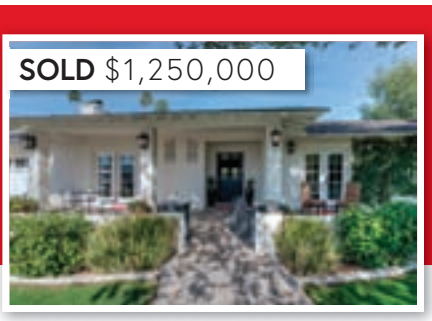
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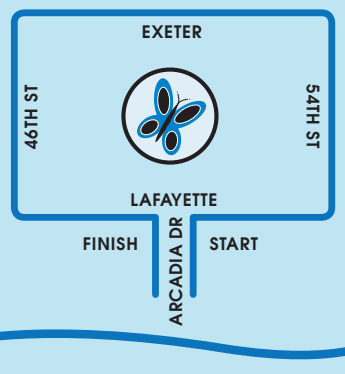


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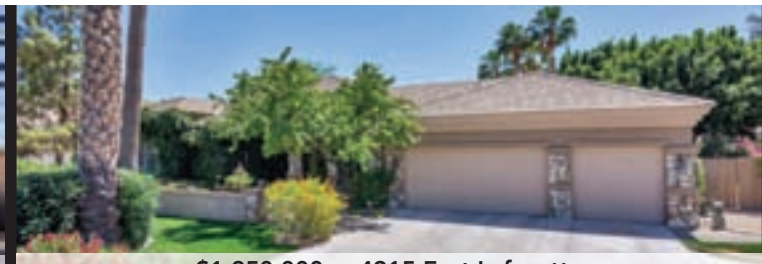
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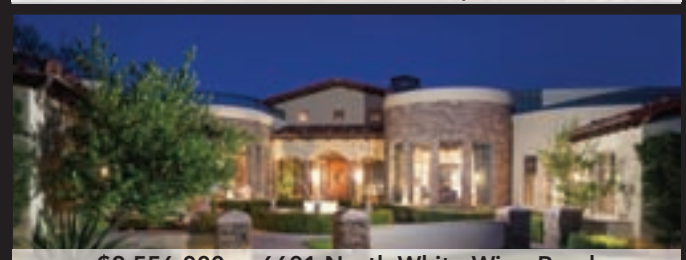
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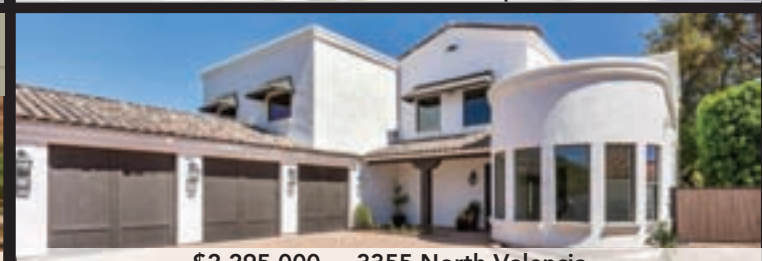
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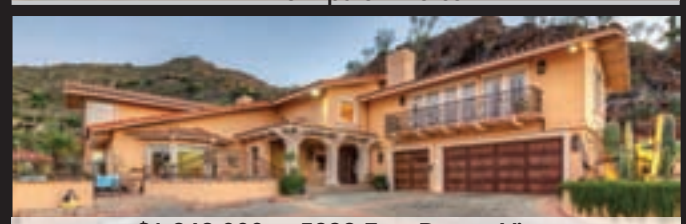
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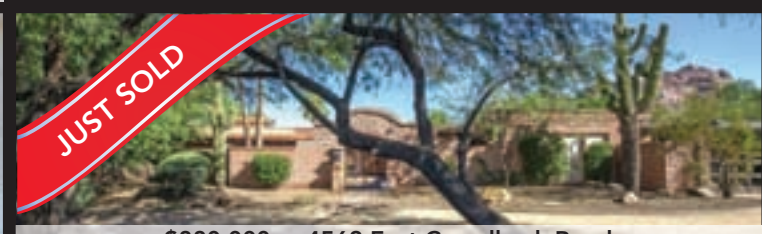
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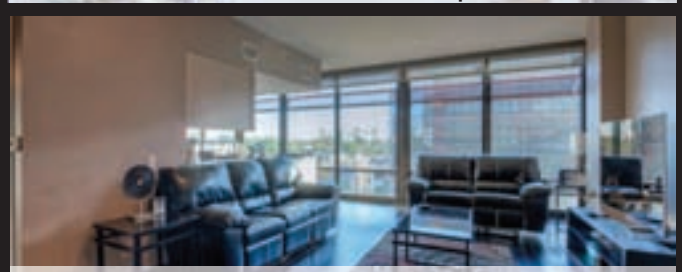
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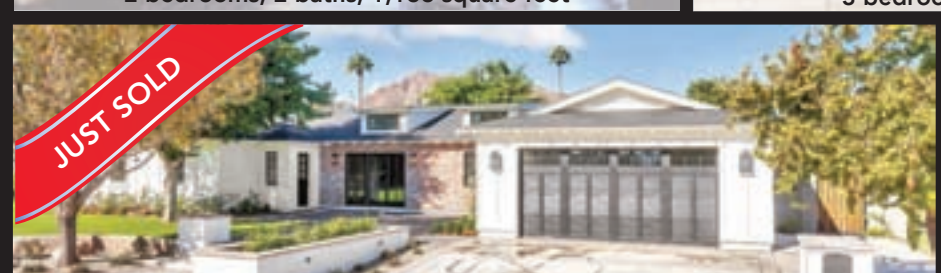
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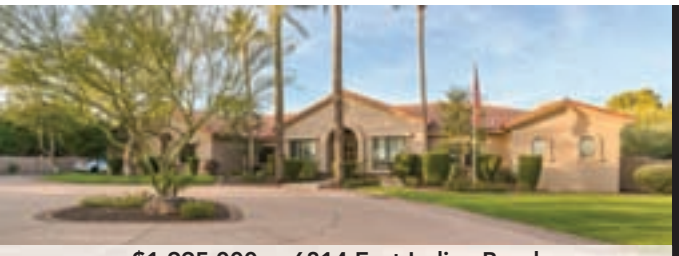
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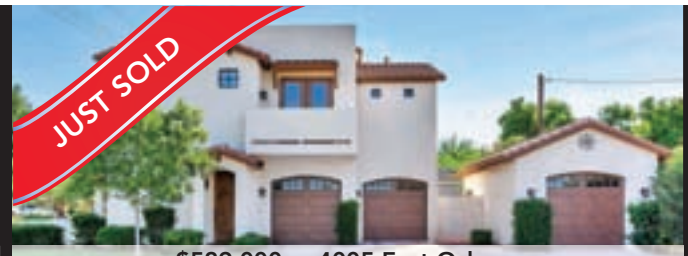
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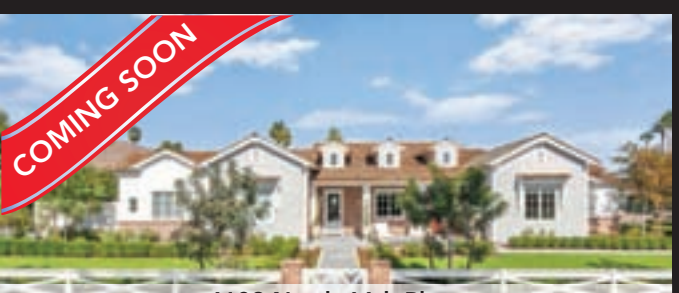
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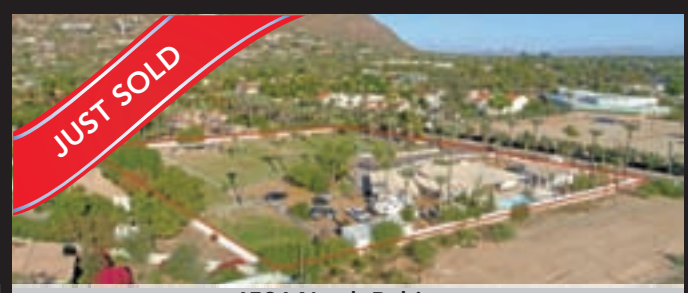
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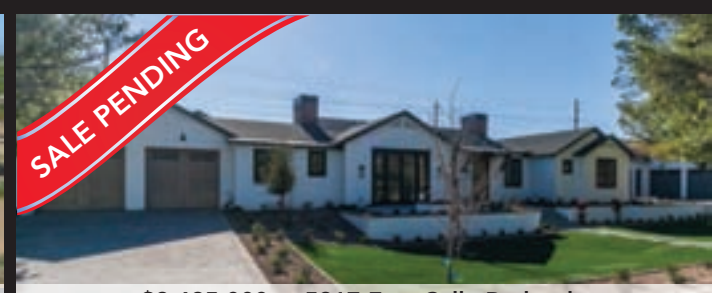
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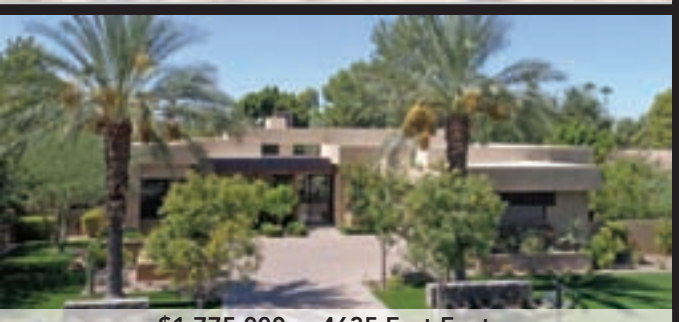
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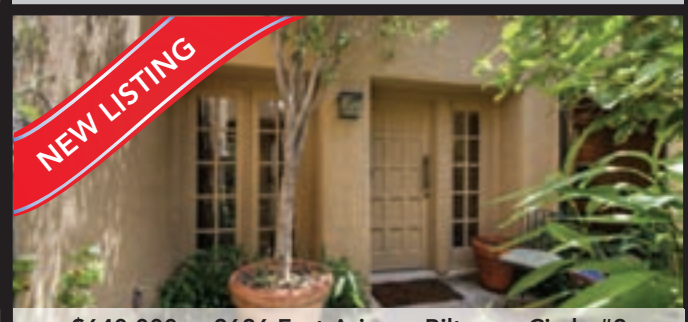
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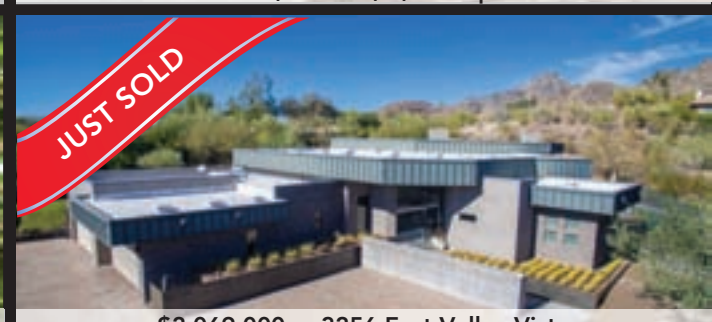
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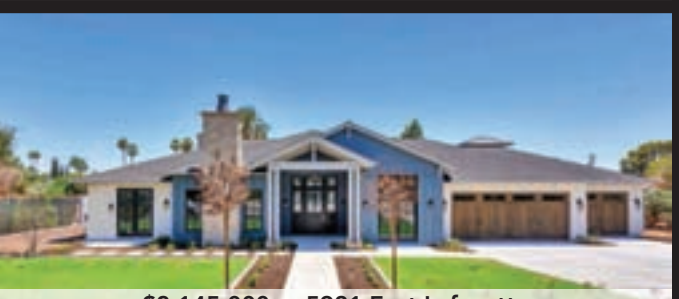
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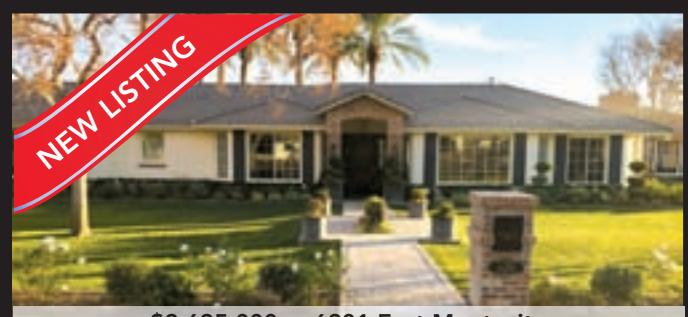
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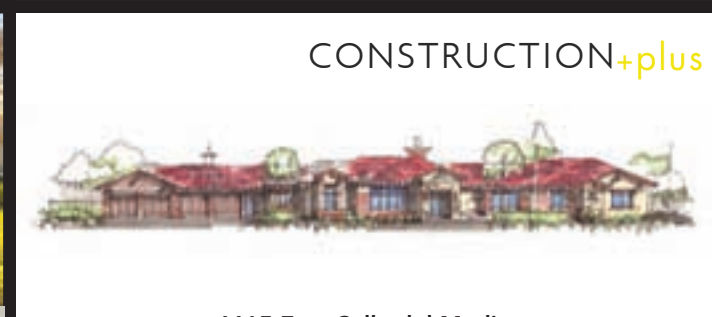


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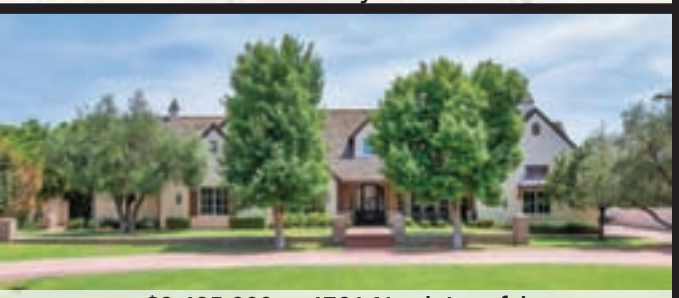


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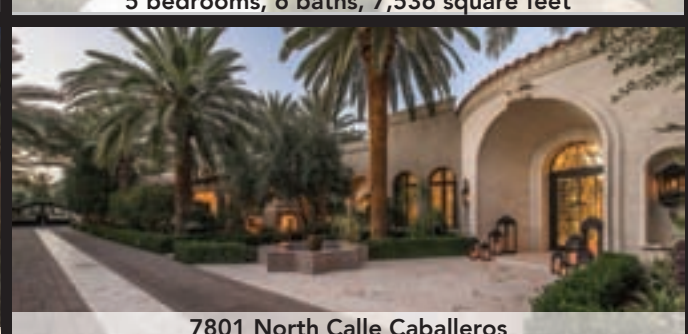
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SATURDAY 3/23

Circle the City Garden Tea

9 – 11:30 a.m. at the Franciscan Renewal Center, 5802 E. Lincoln Dr., Scottsdale. Circle the City is a local nonprofit that aims to provide healthcare for the homeless. This month, it is holding its 14th annual Garden Tea event with proceeds going toward funding services. Enjoy a brunch meal, silent auction, raffles, reflections and testimonials. Individual tickets are $75 each. For more: circlethecity.org.

SUNDAY 3/24

Sunday in the Park

1 p.m. at Margaret T. Hance Park, 67 W. Culver St., Phoenix. Grab your friends and family and bring them down to enjoy a day at the park. There will be a DJ, plus a beer truck from Ballast Point and Pacifico, wine and coffee options as well as food trucks, so you can pack a snack or grab something from Mi Salsa or Curbside Crepes. Hang out and enjoy the weather while supporting the Phoenix Center for the Arts. For more: crescentphx.com.

Arizona Bao Fest

11 a.m. – 7 p.m. at Unexpected Art Gallery, 734 W. Polk St., Phoenix. If you're craving some bao, look no further than downtown Phoenix. The Arizona Bao Fest will feature 10 local vendors showcasing their dishes, such as steamed buns, gua bao, BBQ pork buns and sweet buns. There will also be Asian fusion and noodle dishes. Come for lunch or dinner, or both. Tickets are $12. For more visit the Arizona Bao Fest Facebook page.

FRIDAY 3/29

Kids in Focus Opening Gala

5:30 – 7:30 p.m. at the Arizona Center, 455 N. 3rd St., Phoenix. A new exhibit is opening up at the Arizona Center that will showcase the Kids in Focus non-profit, which is dedicated to inspiring and fostering hope in disadvantaged youth. Sixty photographs taken by 30 at-risk kids over an eight-week period will be unveiled this evening. Beside each photo will be a biography of each student. Come out and show support for Arizona's at-risk youth. Admission is free. For more: kidsinfocus.org.

SATURDAY 3/30

Veritas Music Festival

4 – 9 p.m. at Archway Veritas and Veritas Prep, 3102 N. 56th St., Phoenix. Come out and support your local student musicians. The 3rd annual Veritas Music Festival will feature professional bands and musicians as well as student performers showcasing their rock, folk and jazz music. There will also be a logo design contest, student vendor market and food trucks. Tickets range from $5-$35. For more: veritasprep.org.



Veritas Music Festival *at Archway Veritas and Veritas Prep in Phoenix.*

SUNDAY 3/31

Plated and Staged

5 – 10 p.m. at Herberger Theater, 222 E. Monroe, Phoenix. Experience an evening of fine dining and entertainment at Herberger Theater's 4th annual Plated and Staged event. The night begins at the theater with hors d'oeuvres and live music. Dinner will follow at another location, but there's a surprise: you won't know where you're dining until you get there. There will be multiple stops, so make sure to save room for each course. This event benefits the theater's youth outreach programs. Individual tickets are $250. For more: herbergertheater.org.



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FRIDAY 3/1

Bluegrass at the Beach Festival

10 a.m. – 6:30 p.m. at Lake Havasu State Park, 699 London Bridge Road, Lake Havasu City. Nothing quite like jammin' out to your favorite old and new bluegrass tunes at the 2019 Bluegrass on the Beach festival. This event is all about the music, with bands on and off the stage, as well workshops, arts and crafts, a food and beer garden and a kids zone. Tickets are $25 for adults and $10 for teens. For more: bluegrassonthebeach.com.

SAT. 3/2 – SUN. 3/3

Tres Rios Nature Festival

10 a.m. at the Base and Meridian Wildlife Area, 7602 S. Avondale Blvd., Avondale. It's time to become one with nature, and what better way to do that than with outdoor activities such as guided bird tours, canoeing on the river, archery and fishing? The festival is a way to showcase the history and culture of the Gila River drainage, which is made up of the Gila, Salt and Agua Fria rivers. Along with outdoor activities, there will also be live music and a beer garden for the grownups. Admission is free. For more: tresriosnaturefestival.com.



Bluegrass at the Beach Festival *at Lake Havasu State Park.*

SATURDAY 3/2

Move Across Two Ranges

6 a.m. – 6 p.m. starting at the Wild Burro Trailhead, 14810 N. Secret Springs Dr., Marana. If you're really into hiking, this is your event. Starting at the Tortolita Mountains, participants can choose to hike 6, 10, 15 or go the full 21.5 miles (better wear some good shoes). Afterward there will be a Recover, Revive and Refuel party with food, beer and raffle prizes. Registration is $40. For more: move2ranges.com.

SUNDAY 3/3

Festival of Books

9:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. at 1303 E. University Blvd., UofA Campus, Tucson. Get ready to turn the pages to a new adventure at the Tucson Festival of Books. There will be 15 stages with around 400 authors ready to share their prose. There will also be poetry readings, character meetings, a live musical performance and all the books you can handle. This event is free aside from specialty lectures/shows. For more: tucsonfestivalofbooks.org.

SATURDAY 3/9

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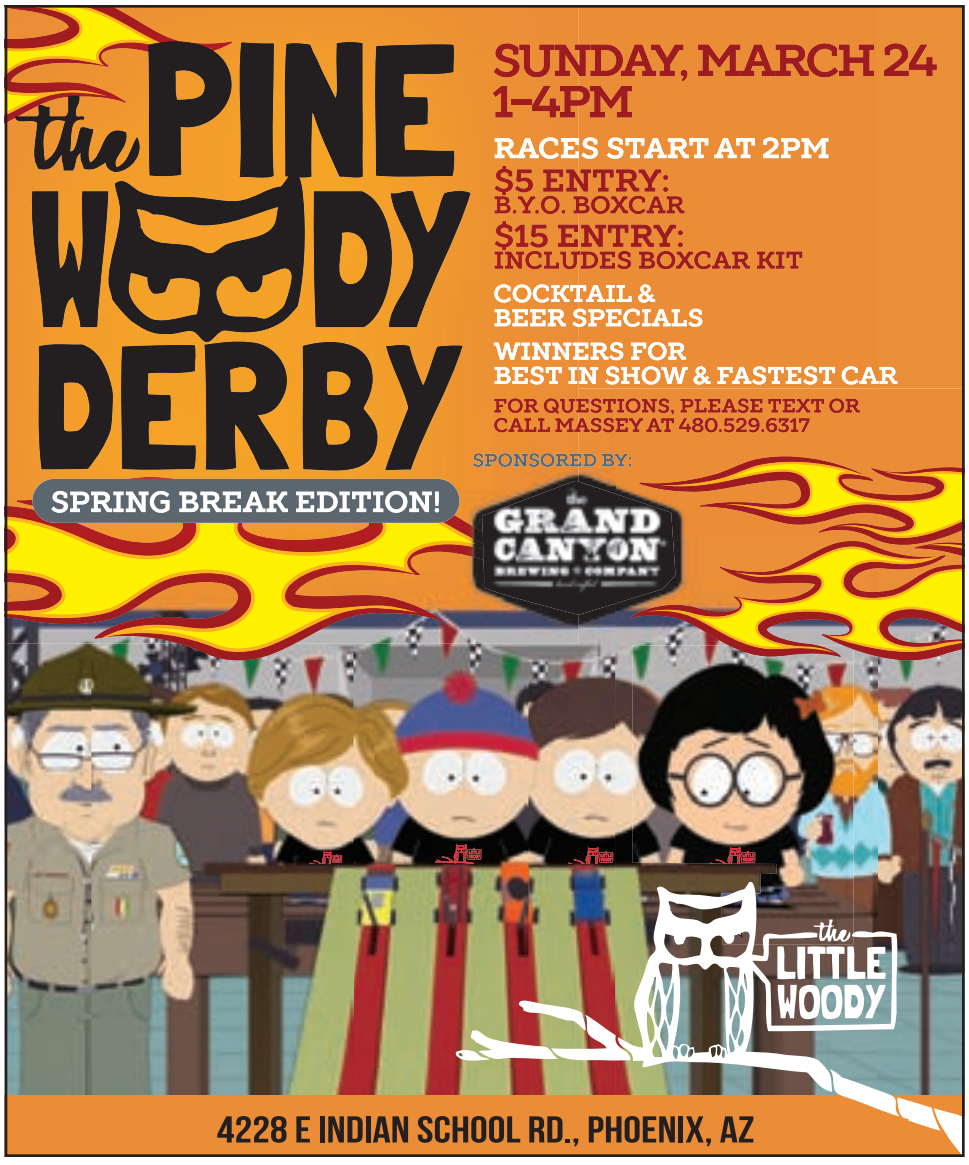
8 a.m. – 12 p.m., starts and ends at Rillito River Park, Tucson. Sure, riding a bike around a 30-mile loop sounds like a rough way to start your Saturday, but what if there are cookies involved? The Rotary Tour de Cookie allows riders to enter at any point in the loop and along the way are 12 businesses ready to share their sweet treats with you. This event is a fundraiser for the service projects that the Rotary Club of Marana works on every year. Registration is $40; kids ride free. For more: rotarytourdecookie.org.

SAT. 3/16 – SUN. 3/17

Roots N' Boots

9 a.m. at Horseshoe Park, 20464 E. Riggs Road, Queen Creek. Break out your cowboy boots and head to Queen Creek for the Roots N' Boots Rodeo and carnival. Along with rides and games, there will be mutton busting, a vendor market, pony rides, petting zoo, live entertainment, performances, rodeo show, and a dance on Saturday to cap off the day's activities. Tickets are $25 for the rodeo. For more: rootsnboots.org.





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SAT. 3/16 – SUN. 3/17

Pecan and Wine Festival

10 a.m. – 6 p.m. at the Community Field, 75 E. Holloman St., Camp Verde. Start the spring season off right with the Pecan and Wine Festival in Camp Verde. Visitors can experience an archeological fair, pie baking contest, wine tasting, a vendor village, and of course, everything pecan. There is also a River Raft and Kayak Run for people ages 12 and up who want to spend the day on the Verde River. This event is free for all ages. For more: campverdepromotions.org.

SATURDAY 3/16

Live Music Series

1 p.m. at Granite Creek Vineyards, 2515 N. Road 1, East Chino Valley. Who doesn't love a little live music now and again? Head to Granite Creek Vineyards to kick off its Live Music Series with Drew Hall and Anton Teschner and their flamenco and Latin jazz jams. Grab a glass of vino and a little something to eat and let the sound of music take you away. Prices vary. For more: granitecreekvineyards.com.



Salsa Festival *at Copper Sky Regional Park in Maricopa.*

SATURDAY 3/23

Salsa Festival

2 – 8 p.m. at Copper Sky Regional Park, 44345 W. Bowlin Road, Maricopa. You know it's going to be a good day when salsa is involved. Head to Maricopa for the Salsa Festival, where you can sample a plethora of salsas and of course, vote for your fave. There will also be live entertainment, food and drink options, a business and craft vendor market, and a kids zone with inflatables and games. Admission is free, but parking is $5. For more: Maricopa-az.gov.

Troop Box Car and Bike Show

9 a.m. – 3 p.m. at the London Bridge Plaza, 157 Paseo Del Sol, Lake Havasu City. Come out, support a good cause and check out some sweet rides in the process. This car and bike show is presented by the American Legion and will help fill boxes to send to the troops. There will be live entertainment, raffle prizes, 50/50, beer garden, wine tasting, as well as breakfast and lunch available for purchase. Admission is free. For more: golakehavasu.com.

Ballet Victoria's Carmina Burana

7 – 9 p.m. at the Yavapai College Performing Arts Center, 1100 E. Sheldon St., Prescott. Carl Orff's most popular piece is being brought to Prescott. Prepare to be dazzled by the power, corruption, humor and beauty explored in the drama of Carmina Burana. This show will also feature the Arizona Philharmonic Orchestra. Tickets start at $22. For more: ycpac.com.

SATURDAY 3/30

Spring into QC

9 a.m. – 1 p.m. at Mansel Carter Oasis Park, 19535 E. Appleby Road, Queen Creek. Spring is right around the corner, so let's celebrate. This Queen Creek event will have live local entertainment, an egg hunt, a Lego derby and pinewood car derby, discovery zone, games, activities; something fun for the whole family. Attendance is free. For more: queencreek.org.

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The beauty of Monument Valley has made it the perfect backdrop for more than ten movies, starting back in 1939 with John Wayne's Stagecoach. PHOTO: ARIZONA HIGHWAYS TELEVISION

Monument Valley: the place where God put the West

By Robin Sewell

One of the questions I am most often asked is, "What is your favorite place in Arizona?" I wouldn't go so far as saying it's like asking you to name your favorite child, but I always struggle with an answer because there are so many areas of Arizona that I love and for different reasons.



There is a place that will forever hold a special piece of my heart because not only is it breathtaking and magical, but because the memory of seeing it for the first time will forever be etched in my mind.

All I knew about the iconic landmark called Monument Valley was that it was the stuff movies were made of and that its famous vistas graced magazine covers and postcards. I felt a little like Chevy Chase in the movie *National Lampoon's Vacation* as my producer and I jumped into the car and headed up Interstate 17 to Navajo Country.

Both of us could have a map, compass and GPS/navigation on our phones and still manage to get lost. On that February day, it was typical Arizona weather here in the Valley, but we quickly had to change from short-sleeves to sweaters when we stopped in Flagstaff for lunch and found the town covered in snow.

After some homemade soup in a little downtown café, we stopped in a few shops inquiring about the best way to get to Kayenta, the town that's home to Monument Valley. In all honesty, the drive out of Flagstaff is less than picturesque and I kept wondering, "Who lives all the way out here?"

Three hours later, the flat, barren landscape started to rise and when the brown landscape turns into a deep, rich red, you realize why the Native Americans call this place sacred. The Navajos affectionately refer to it as "Keyah Hozhoni," which means "land of beauty all around us." I don't know what was more overwhelming, the vision of purple and red that greets you when you arrive, the towering buttes that touch the sky or simply the size of the valleys that seem to go on forever.

As a journalist, I hate being cliché, but this quiet spot in the farthest eastern corner of northern Arizona is magnificent, awe-inspiring and yes, takes your breath away. It's remarkable that something so perfectly imperfect could only be a natural coincidence. These famous freestanding rock formations seem to defy gravity. They range from 400 – 1,000 feet high, are made of sandstone and are 160 million years old.

It's easy to see why Monument Valley is one of the most photographed places in the world and why it didn't take long for Hollywood to fall in love with this place.

Back in 1938 hot shot director John Ford wanted to make a western film. A trader and his wife living on the reservation drove from Monument Valley to Hollywood to convince the director that they had the perfect backdrop for him.

One month later, makeshift tents went up near the trading post, the Navajos and their horses were hired as Hollywood extras and needless to say, a star was born.

Over the years, Monument Valley has been the site of more westerns than any other place in the United States.

In fact, actor John Wayne once referred to Monument Valley as "The place where God put the West." These stunning vistas and larger than life landscapes have also been the backdrop for films including *Back to the Future*, *Thelma and Louise* and *Forrest Gump*.

We are lucky that Arizona has an abundance of glorious and spectacular places, and I'm sure you may have a few that stand out more than others, but they are all in their own way the stuff movie magic is made of.

— Robin Sewell is the host and executive producer of the Emmy Award winning Arizona Highways Television.





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Opt to adopt at these four local shelters

By Megan Forrester

Arizona is developing a 'paw-sitive' outlook on animal shelters. According to the ASPCA, more than 1.5 million shelter animals are euthanized each year. To combat this, many shelters in the Valley are focusing on creating the next generation of animal advocates and keeping with the idea that people should focus on compassion.

Here are four shelters that encompass those ideals and where you can find your next 'fur-ever' friend.



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The Rescue Rinse event will be held at ReThinc Advertising to raise money for Desert Tails Shelter.

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Home 'Fur' Good offers not only adoption opportunities for prospective dog and cat owners, but also provides medical care such as dental clinics every Wednesday and vaccine clinics every Sunday with an appointment. This 501(c)3 is continually on the lookout for ways to increase the amount of help it brings to animals and their owners. The center sells yearly calendars and the *Home 'Fur' Good Cookbook* for your hungry howler. It offers adoptions Thursday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For more: homefurgood.org.

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Arizona Humane Society has become one of the most recognizable shelters in the state, specifically earning the titles of the state's largest animal welfare and protection agency, as well as the designated responder for animals in distress during natural disasters. At each of its locations and at the Campus for Compassion, there are both cats and dogs available for adoption as well as volunteer opportunities.

This shelter has been around since the 1970s and it continues to develop new events inviting the public to be part of their mission. On March 31, there will be a Compassion with Fashion event at the Marriott Camelback Inn, which will include a luncheon, meet and greet with adoptable pets and an animal fashion show.

For more: azhumane.org.

DESERT TAILS

6423 E. Thomas Road, Scottsdale AZ 85251

This shelter is on its way to becoming a home for animals. The 7,000 square-foot building offers a variety of dogs up for adoption as well as grooming, dog training and volunteer opportunities.

It is open Tuesday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Desert Tails is in the process of obtaining 501(c)3 non-profit status while in the midst of remodeling its space. On the 30th of this month, ReThinc Advertising will be holding its annual Rescue Rinse event benefitting Desert Tails. Folks can bring their pups for a bath and enjoy breakfast treats, a silent auction and photo booth for a donation. ReThinc is located at 44th St. and Indian School.

For more: deserttailsshelter.org.

ARIZONA ANIMAL WELFARE LEAGUE & SPCA

25 N. 40th St., Phoenix AZ 85034

Founded in 1971, Arizona Animal Welfare League & SPCA has become Arizona's oldest and largest no-kill shelter, with a continuing mission to create a world where there are no homeless dogs and cats. They retain a goal of reducing shelter population by offering affordable veterinary care and dog training to the public. They have adoption opportunities every Tuesday through Sunday from 11:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. There is an upcoming "Vet"iquette class being held on March 5 and 11, which allows a behaviorist to help dogs feel prepared for the next visit to the vet and dissolve their sense of stress when going for a check-up. They are also offering a Spring Camp from March 2-9, which allows kids on spring break to bond with animals and learn about becoming an animal advocate.

For more: aawl.org.



Dangers of relying on autopilot

By Michelle Donati-Grayman

Many consumers may not realize that some Advanced Driver Assistance Systems (ADAS) have been available for nearly 30 years. This technology, however, has only become commonplace more recently as these systems now come standard on many new cars.

With at least one of these features, like automatic emergency braking and lane keeping assistance, now available on 93 percent of new vehicles, it is becoming increasingly important for consumers to have a solid understanding of their functionality. But clever marketing names coupled with a lack of consensus by industry regulatory groups has made it difficult for consumers to determine which features a vehicle has and how they actually work.

Confusion among consumers, especially when it comes to the naming of these systems, is a larger issue than some may realize. AAA found 40 percent of Americans expect partially automated driving systems, with names like Autopilot, ProPILOT or Pilot Assist, to have the ability to drive the car by themselves.

In reality, the intent of ADAS features is to assist in the driving task to help reduce the likelihood, or mitigate the severity of a crash with another vehicle – not to drive the car itself. Vague or unclear naming of these systems will only continue to widen the gap between what consumers believe the technology can do and its actual capabilities.

AAA conducted research to gain a better understanding of the growing prevalence of ADAS technology in new vehicles as well as to examine the terminology currently used by regulatory organizations and manufacturers. AAA analyzed 34 vehicle brands sold in the United States to identify the number of unique names manufacturers use to market ADAS. For example, automatic emergency braking, which was standard on 31 percent of 2018 vehicles, has 40 names just for this one feature. Other popular systems, like adaptive cruise control, lane keeping assistance and blind spot warning have nearly 20 individual names.

These results highlight the need for more common naming and definitions for ADAS features. AAA is working with a coalition of auto and safety organizations to create universal, consistent terminology to provide clarity to consumers about what type of technology a vehicle has as well as when and how to safely use it. Standardized naming will also help create a consistent experience for consumers when driving a car other than their own.

As a driver today, it is important to take a proactive approach and become familiar with these new technologies and how they work, especially before getting behind the wheel of a new or rental vehicle with ADAS technologies. Being better informed will help drivers get the most out of their vehicles while staying safe on the road.



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Old Adobe Mission added to National Register of Historic Places

By Mallory Gleich

Standing on the corner of Brown Avenue and First Street in Old Town is the Old Adobe Mission, known to some as Our Lady of Perpetual Help Mission Church. This 85-year-old building is the first Catholic Parish established in Scottsdale as well as the oldest standing church building in the area.

Designed by Robert T. Evans and constructed in 1933, the mission has come a long way from its dirt floors and adobe bricks, with its handmade pews and stained-glass windows. In September 2018, it reached another milestone when it was placed on the National Register of Historic Places.

In February 2018, volunteers from the mission sat down and started the arduous process of applying to the National Register. Thirty pages and seven months later, their hard work paid off and the mission earned the coveted distinction.

"It was a long road involving incredible amount of research and verification. We are over the top proud of this accomplishment," said Gloria Argueso, who works with the Executive Board of the mission.





After a 30-page application and seven months of work, Scottsdale's Old Adobe Mission was added to the National Register of Historic Places late last year. Built in 1933, the mission is Scottsdale's first Catholic Parish and oldest standing church building in the area.

On January 18, a dedication ceremony took place where a plaque was unveiled, and family and friends celebrated the latest accomplishment. The pews were abuzz with conversation as everyone took their seats. Founding families were in attendance as well as members of the city council and Scottsdale Mayor Jim Lane.

Rad Masinelli, president of the board, kicked off the presentation and introduced the evening's speakers. First up was Pastor Greg Schlarb, who spoke about what the accolade means to the mission. Next, Mayor Lane spoke about the tremendous history of the mission and about how without the past, you can't build a future.



Don Ryden highlighted the significance of preserving the Mission.

"I feel special just being here, as should all of you. The mission has brought people together and we need to congratulate the community for this accomplishment," Lane said.

The next speaker was Steve Venker, who works with the Scottsdale Historic Preservation Program. Venker talked about the history of the mission and how it was built for the community, by the community. With the help of the 150 people who built the church in 1933, Venker said the mission "represents pride."

"When the mission called me, they asked me to speak about my passion. They never ask me that," joked Don Ryden of Ryden Architects, who spoke about the state's views on the mission's preservation.

"When I think of the mission, I think of the concept of *Logos*, which can be translated as *word* or *ratio*. It is also the principle of divine proportion. If you take that, plus harmony and beauty, you'll find the *spirit of place*, and that's what the Mission is a part of; that's what hooks it all together within our community," Ryden said.

The plaque was revealed and applause filled the tiny church. Tears were shed and hands were shaken with an overall mood of happiness. That little white building on the corner of First Avenue has stood the test of time and will continue to stand as one of Scottsdale's historic wonders.

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The downsizing dilemma

By Tom Helms

To some, "downsizing" is a vile, nasty word. People tell themselves, "I just can't throw it away, I might need it. It belonged to my mother. I have to keep all the records. It's valuable and the kids might want it." To others, downsizing is a way to shed the shackles of stuff: empty, simplify, dump out and welcome in the new. Take the best and scrap the rest.

We are constantly re-creating ourselves. Change, good or bad, is a stark reality and the only thing that gets us through is our attitude – and possibly a little help from your certified personal property appraiser.

First, find the place that you will call home. Don't even start downsizing until you know that you are going to move and know where. It simplifies everything. You will start moving all items that you want and leave the rest that won't fit and/or that you no longer want.

Start cleaning closets, cabinets, storage areas and the garage. Decide which treasures will follow you to your new home. It is like an overseas trip: you pack your suitcase, carry it around the block, come home and take about half the stuff out because you realize you just don't need everything you packed. The same applies to your upcoming move.

Contact your children and other relatives and ask, "Do you want this or that?" If they do, give the item to them today. If you can live without the desk or hutch or set of dishes, get it out now. If someone says to you, "We might want this," let them know that "might" is not in your vocabulary.

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There is a local auction house that we work with to help reduce the anxiety. After you move and have taken everything you need and a few things you don't, the auction house will come in and empty everything and leave your house "broom clean." Your treasures are then auctioned off and the proceeds will be sent to you.

— Email me at damshill@yahoo.com or write Ask the Appraisers, c/o Jeffrey Pearson; 5525 North 12th St., Phoenix, AZ 85014.





Barrett-Jackson Collector Car Auction gives back

By Miriam Cruson

The 48th Annual Barrett Jackson Collector Car Auction was held at WestWorld of Scottsdale in January. Although there was no shortage of amazing machines, something quite spectacular came out of this auction.

A recently restored 1925 Ford Model T with an original 4-cylinder engine was a true rarity to see, but the generosity that poured out from auction participants was especially memorable.

Carolyn and Craig Jackson paid $1.1 million for a freshly minted 2020 Ford Mustang Shelby VIN 001, which went toward the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF). The 2019 Ford GT Heritage Edition VIN 001 that went for $2.5 million to Hendrick Motorsports benefitted United Way in Southeastern Michigan.

In addition to all the cars that were sold to auto enthusiasts, $9.6 million was also raised for charities in three days, through donations made on the block and beyond the hammer prices and sales.

As of January 20, Barrett-Jackson has reportedly donated over $114 million to charity. This can only be achieved by generous car donations that are put up for auction, the kind hearts at Barrett-Jackson and of course those people willing to make that winning bid.

Below is a list of grateful beneficiaries, the amount they will receive and the vehicle auctioned to benefit them.

- **The Arians Family Foundation** – $100,000
  — 2019 Bennington SW Series Boat.
- **Barrow Neurological Foundation** – $100,000
  — 2015 Ford Petty's Garage Stage 2 Mustang GT.
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- **Shriners Hospitals for Children** – $300,000
  — 2018 Ford Fusion NASCAR Race Car.
- **Childhelp** – $165,000
  — 1967 Chevrolet Camaro Custom Coupe.
- **Gary Sinise Foundation** – $1,310,000
  — 1981 Jeep CJ7 Custom SUV.
- **Jeff Gordon Children's Foundation** – $600,000
  — Jeff Gordon's 2016 Corvette C7.R.
- **Henry Ford and Petersen Automotive Museums** – $500,000
  — 2015 Ford Shelby Mustang GT350R.
- **JDRF** – $1,100,000
  — 2020 Ford Mustang Shelby GT500 VIN 001.
- **Operation Homefront** – $525,000
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- **American Heart Association and The Bob Woodruff Foundation** – $2,100,000
  — 2020 Toyota Supra First Production VIN 20201.
- **Fighter Country Foundation** – $200,000
  — 2018 Ford Mustang Cobra Jet.
- **United Way SE Michigan** – $2,500,000
  — 2019 Ford GT Heritage Edition VIN 001.



PHOTO: KATIE COSMAS

Team Taylor ready to run

By Mallory Gleich

On Sunday April 7, Arcadians will wake up, toss on their running shoes and head to 48th Street along the Canal to participate in the 7th annual Team Taylor Arcadia Fun Run.

Nine years ago, Mark and Katie Cosmas lost their daughter Taylor to Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS). Looking for a way to honor her, they came up with Team Taylor in 2013 as a way to raise awareness and support for SIDS research – and the support has grown immensely.

In 2018, it raised $165,000. This year, the goal has grown to $200,000 for SIDS research, education and prevention. The organizers are hoping to have 1,200 runners participate.

"Only in our wildest dreams did we think this would become such a staple in people's event calendars. But most importantly, it's become a place for other families like us that have lost a baby to SIDS to come and remember their child taken much too soon," Katie said.

In November, Mark and Katie plan on throwing a 10th birthday bash in honor of Taylor. They are also working with the Active 20-30 Club to create additional runs in up to 25 markets across the country.

"Mark runs a lot and we always dreamed of taking Taylor to his races. Ironically, she only ever did a 5k with us right before she passed. I remember it like it was yesterday… she loved the wind and being outside with us. It's only fitting that we do a run in her memory," Katie said.

HOW TO REGISTER:

WHO: Everyone! Come run, walk, scooter or bike. Bring your four-legged friends, too.

WHAT: The 7th annual Team Taylor Fun Run.

WHERE: Starts and ends at 48th St. and the Canal. There will be an after party at OHSO.

WHEN: April 7, 8 a.m. start time.

HOW: Register at TeamTaylorAZ.com. Registration is $45 until April 5 and weekend of race is $50.

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Custom dog houses fetch attention of judges at Design for Dogs event

By Rachael Bouley

Life just wouldn't be the same without dogs. Many Arcadia families have beloved furry friends that make their lives complete, and it's only fair that these special companions are given a comfortable and cozy home.

That's a big part of the 5th Annual Design for Dogs event, which was hosted by Facings of America on February 22. This custom dog house design and build competition is a fundraiser that benefits Arizona Animal Welfare League (AAWL), the oldest and largest no-kill shelter in the state. In 2018, state-of-the-art designer dog houses raised $20,000 for AAWL. Organizers are confident this figure will continue to grow each year.

> "Design for Dogs is all about raising both money and awareness for rescued animals."

This showcase challenges participants to think outside the box to produce unique dog houses that will fetch a handsome price.

Since the dog-centric event debuted in 2015, it has attracted local architects, interior designers, builders and industry partners.

With their minds set on giving back to the community, Facings of America leaders were eager to pursue a partnership with AAWL because of their inspiring motive, philosophy and work ethic. While every year has been memorable, 2019 marks the most successful event yet with more sponsorships than ever before. Nearly $100,000 has been raised for AAWL thus far.

"We are so excited to be able to give back to an organization as great as AAWL," Rheagan Mulvey of Facings of America said. "Design for Dogs is all about raising both money and awareness for rescued animals."

AAWL rescues thousands of animals every year, and also supports other shelters in the state that struggle with minimal resources to save the animals they have.

"Of course, every single dollar counts towards helping continued rescues, but awareness matters too." Mulvey added. "We want people to know AAWL, and we want more and more people having eyes on the precious and adoptable dogs and cats. We want to find fur-ever homes for these sweet animals."

This year, 13 design and build teams accepted the challenge to construct their dog house to be auctioned in support of the cause. Each house is different, but some of the most innovative and memorable features include disco balls, solar-powered lights, custom taps for water bowls and shag carpet. A few of the homes being auctioned this year include CAT F.A.R.M by Creo Architects, which features a "feline agility and recreational maze, and "FIDO" by Yamwood.

With impressive craftsmanship and effort on full display, teams were up for awards including People's Choice, Best in Show, second and third place.

"We hope that all of the dog houses make their way into homes of people whose animals will snuggle right into them," Mulvey added.

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The Scottsdale Wine Trail

By Miriam Cruson

Old Town Scottsdale has a unique offer for wine enthusiasts. Four Arizona wineries with tasting rooms in Old Town are working together to host a pedestrian adventure they call the Scottsdale Wine Trail.

Wine may not come immediately to mind when thinking of our desert landscape and mountain backdrop. However, Arizona wine has been gaining popularity in recent years.

The history of vineyards in the southwest reaches back to the 16th century when Spanish Jesuit priests brought the art of winemaking with them. The commercial side of Arizona winemaking really has taken hold within the last decade. As recent as 2006 there were only 12 licensed wineries in Arizona. That number has now grown to 90.

In 2016, the Scottsdale Wine Trail was launched to help bring to light the flourishing wine industry here in Arizona. There are four participating Arizona wineries with tasting rooms located in the arts and entertainment district in Old Town Scottsdale. They include Aridus Wine Company, Carlson Creek Vineyard, LDV Winery and Salvatore Vineyards – Scottsdale.

In the spirit of wine, often associated with relaxing and catching up with friends, these wineries each offer their own unique tastes and atmosphere.

To begin this tasting adventure just stop in at any one of these four tasting rooms, all of which are within walking distance to each other, to purchase your Scottsdale Wine Trail Passport for $5. At each stop along your way you will receive a passport stamp. With that stamp, you will receive $2 off a 5-wine tasting at each location, which equals about one glass of wine. Once you collect all four stamps you can enter to win a Scottsdale Wine Trail prize, given out quarterly. You can complete your passport in one day or stretch out this unique experience over the weekend.

The four wineries highlighted here all have their vineyards in southeastern Arizona. Due to its elevation, hot days, cool nights and rich minerals in the soil, southeastern Arizona provides an optimal environment for these thriving vineyards.

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Salvatore Vineyards and Passion Cellars have a strong love and thirst for Arizona wine. Their goal is to pass that on and share it with each and every visitor that comes into any one of their three tasting room locations. The wines showcased in the tasting room are the Salvatore brand, which was named after winemaker Jason Domanico's grandfather. Their vineyard is located in Wilcox, where they also have a tasting room, along with one in Jerome.

CARLSON CREEK VINEYARD

4142 N. Marshall Way
CarlsonCreek.com

This family-owned vineyard and winery provides visitors the opportunity to sample its award-winning wines grown in picturesque Wilcox. It offers three tasting rooms throughout the state, in Wilcox, Cottonwood, and of course, Scottsdale.

ARIDUS WINE COMPANY

7173 E. Main St.
Ariduswineco.com

Whether it's the launch of its much-anticipated 2016 merlot or just a relaxing afternoon with friends, there is no shortage of atmosphere and award-winning wines here. Turkey Creek runs through its 40-acre vineyard in Wilcox, which also offers another tasting room near the base of the Chiricahua National Monument.



LDV WINERY

7134 E. Stetson Dr.
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LDV Winery's philosophy is expressed in their logo, which is three intertwined circles. The first circle represents the original farmers. The second represents the next generation of grape-growers, while the third is representative of grapes turning into wine. LDV wants to ensure that "earth's fruits come full circle" within the process of winemaking, from the farm to the bottle. Its 40-acre vineyard is located in the Chiricahua Mountain Foothills in Cochise County.

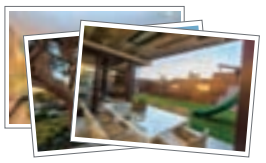


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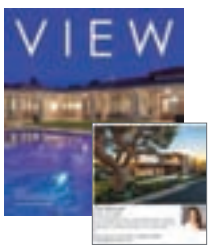
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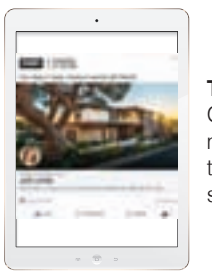
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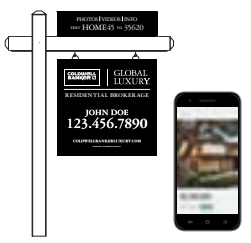


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Arcadia garden clubs give students farm-to-table experience

By Kaylee McClaine

Ingleside Middle School's Garden Club got started in October 2014 thanks to a co-written grant by local garden expert Barbara Halden and Ingleside teacher Susan Leonard. The student-directed after school club teaches members how to grow and harvest plants organically.

Right now, the club is growing broccoli, cauliflower, carrots, lettuce and other produce, including herbs. Leonard, a continuing teacher sponsor for the club, explains that students do more than simply plant produce in the gardens.

"Students also made a healthier version of ranch dressing utilizing fresh dill and broccoli they had grown. Students also get to take home fresh vegetables on a weekly basis. They also made butter and added fresh herbs to take home and share with their families," Leonard said.

Garden Club students are truly excited to be a part of this community. Eighth grader Dakota Clark joined, "Because it sounded fun." Cristian Zamora, also an eighth grader, said the best part of the club is, "Seeing the process of growing the food we eat."

Ingleside is making a big difference not only in how these students view produce, but how they handle growing their very own food.

The Hopi Elementary Garden Club, although on break from actively meeting at the moment due to the school moving to a new facility, seeks to involve all students.



PHOTO: REILEY RODARTE

Chris Nelson is just one of many chefs who have participated in the Chef in the Garden Program at Echo Canyon. Nelson taught students how to properly catch and cook an octopus.

PTA President Kyle Christensen said, "Every year, the chair of the Garden Club helps guide volunteers from all of the classrooms by going into the classroom each month with a garden-inspired lesson and taking the kids out to the plot to grow something that belongs to their own class."

Because of the move to its new building this year, Hopi is looking for a new person to serve as garden chair and relaunch the garden program at Hopi's new location.

Echo Canyon School's Garden Program is different than what you'd find at other schools. Rather than having a garden club, Echo Canyon uses its eight gardens to reinforce curriculum with hands-on learning and experience.

These gardens include an array of plants such as succulents, fruits and flowers, as well as habitats for tortoises, butterflies and hummingbirds. The school's Master Gardner, Lou Rodarte, alongside her co-gardener, Ann, said, "The whole school actively plays a role in the gardening activities either through direct planting or through the Chef in the Garden activities using the harvested produce."

The Chef in the Garden program, where local chefs utilize the produce harvested in the gardens to create a simple dish, is unique to Echo Canyon.

"A week ago, sixth graders were eating sautéed octopus over a salad with fennel and an orange juice and olive oil dressing. FnB Restaurant Chef Charleen Badman, who is on campus weekly, brought Chris Nelson, of Nelson's Meat & Fish, to talk about catching octopuses sustainably," Rodarte said.

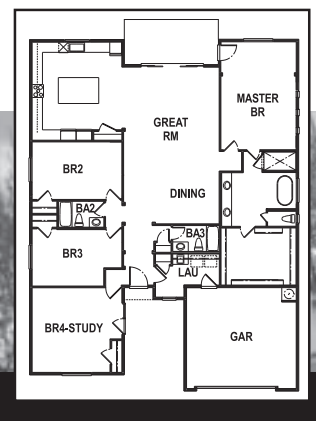
"The students were introduced to seafood sustainability and they practiced writing through a new Journaling program introduced this year in partnership with ASU's Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College and the School of Sustainability."

The program's events take place weekly for students and parents.

For more information on the schools' gardening programs, visit their PTO websites or their susd.org pages.

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Sam Lowe

By Ray Artigue

Some people are just born with a career destiny. Such is the story of Sam Lowe.

With no formal education or training, he seemingly stumbled into a career in journalism. And more than 3,500 published stories and columns later, he became one of the most decorated newspaper men in the southwest.

> "It was a magical thing being able to make people laugh."

"I always wanted to be an architect but couldn't pass physics, so I started thinking about something else that I could do. Writing came easy for me so I followed that trail," Lowe says.

It was so easy in fact, that he convinced his first editor to hire him right out of college without journalistic training. Eventually he became managing editor of the *Jamestown Sun* in North Dakota.

From there he found his way to the desert and went to work for the *Scottsdale Progress*.

"I thought I had died and gone to heaven, as I was both warm and rich, earning $150 a week."

He then wrote for the *Lake Havasu Herald*, but admits it was no promotion. "The only good thing about that stint was when I die, I won't have to go to Purgatory because I've already been there," he says with a chuckle.

Lowe got his first big opportunity when he began writing for the *Phoenix Gazette*, the Valley's long-time afternoon newspaper. There, he wrote a daily column until the paper folded in 1997. He had the ability of telling tales that made his readers laugh. And laugh they did, as he was lauded as "Humor Columnist of the Year" in 1988 by the National Society of Newspaper Columnists.

"In those days you could do almost anything to create your story. Ridiculous things like calf roping, wing-walking…once I even dressed as a clown and performed in the Ringling Bros. Circus and then wrote about those experiences."

It worked and worked well as Lowe was easily one of the more popular writers at the *Gazette*, and thereafter, *The Arizona Republic*. He wrote from the heart and touched others in the very same place.

"We had fun and could get away with things that wouldn't be possible today. I once wrote about the weather in a Shakespearian vein," he remembers. "To rain or not to rain, that is the question." Then there was "Miss Fanny Goodnews," a fictional character that allowed Lowe to cover most anything. His whimsical reporting continued until retirement in 1999.

Since then, Lowe has become a prolific author, writing 14 books in his spare time. Most are about Arizona and New Mexico and were motivated by his natural interest in people and places. One of his more popular books, *Arizona Curiosities*, has been republished in three editions. Another of his personal favorites is *Speaking Ill of the Dead*, an account of infamous and notorious Arizona characters, "or just another way of saying Arizona bad guys."

Lowe met his wife, Lyn, in a chance encounter while performing in the same choral group. And they have been singing one another's praises for 31 years. "It was instant love for the both of us."

Asked about life's most memorable moments, he doesn't hesitate.

"I will never, ever forget the time I got to perform in the circus. I was never the same after that and it was a magical thing being able to make people laugh."

And that's something Sam Lowe has been doing for a very long time.















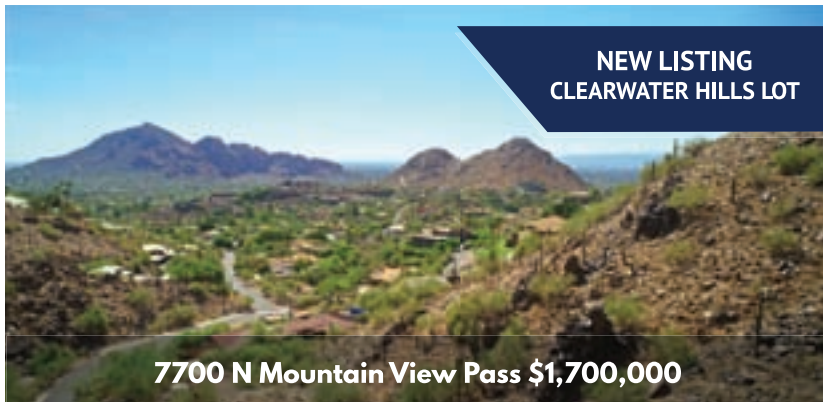




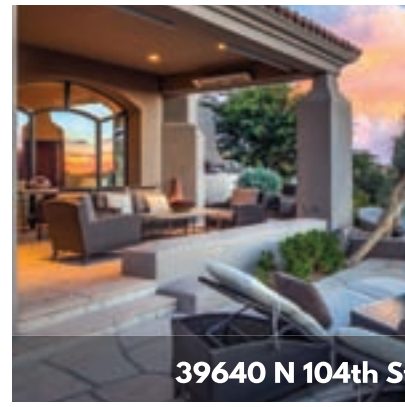








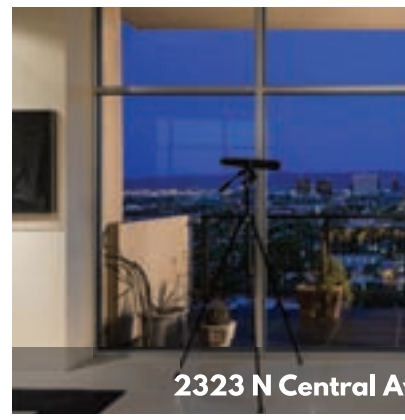






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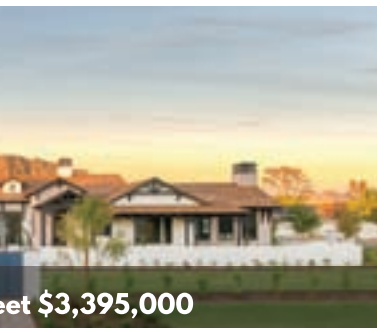
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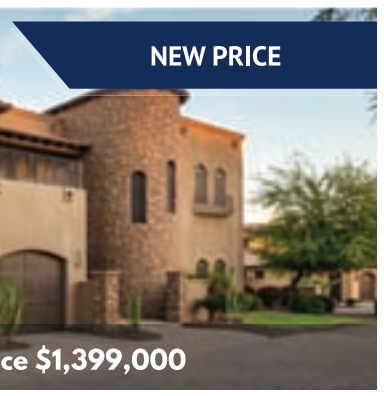
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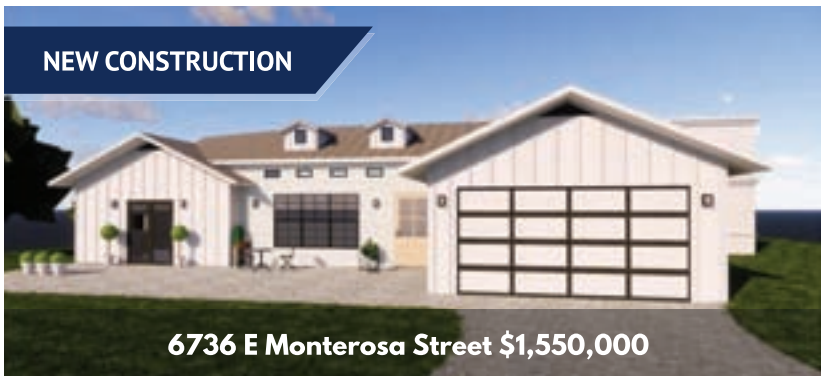










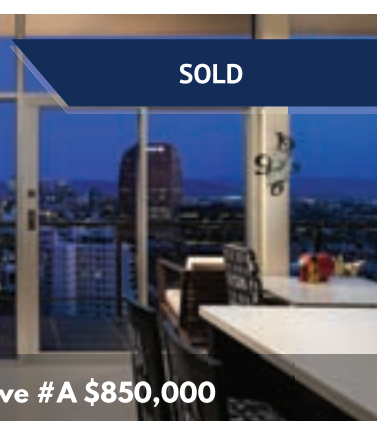


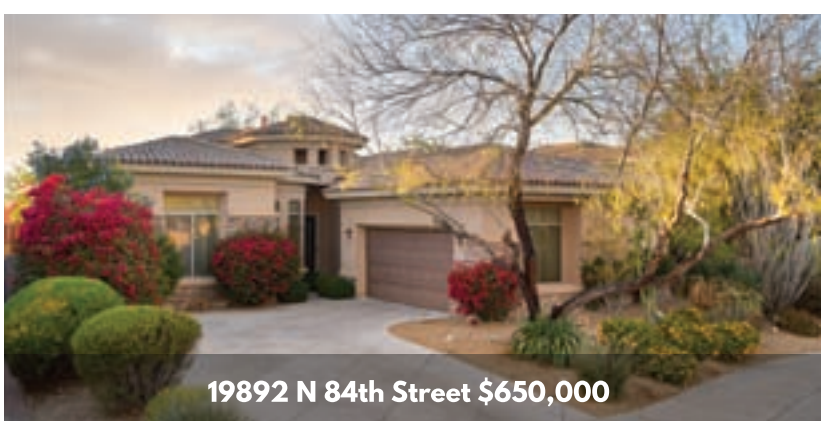














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From the ground up: Hopi celebrates extensive rebuild

By Mallory Gleich

On February 6, friends, families and neighbors gathered in the courtyard of Hopi Elementary School to celebrate the grand opening of the school's new campus.

There were laughs, applause and even a few tears as Principal Tamara Jagodzinski spoke about memories of the previous campus and her excitement of things to come.

"I am thrilled with the new building and am proud of what we created. I appreciate the support from the teachers, staff, and parents that were involved in this project," said Jagodzinski. "I am excited to see what the future holds for the new school."

Scottsdale Unified School District Governing Board President Patty Beckman and Superintendent Dr. John Kriekard said a few words as the crowd huddled to stay warm on that chilly February afternoon.

Beckman highlighted how differing opinions about the new campus didn't derail the project and how everyone came together to "build a beautiful home" for the staff and kids at Hopi.

"In a way, a school becomes a house for the teachers, staff and kids who are here every week. Hopi wanted to build something that everyone would be proud of, something that would last for generations," Beckman said. "Even with different opinions, neighbors old and young came together to build a safe learning environment, a safe home for our kids."

Dr. Kriekard talked about the beautiful views that Hopi Elementary has and about how there is a great appreciation for Hopi as a feeder school. Dr. Kriekard said Hopi possesses three qualities that make a school great: treating the students with respect, treating the staff as professional colleagues and treating parents as partners.



(from left) Kyle Christensen, Ginna Cummings, Dr. John Kriekard, Principal Tamara Jagodzinski, John Strippelman and Whitney Keeler.

The fourth and fifth grade choir stood tall and proud as they sang a song dedicated to Hopi. There was also a traditional ribbon-cutting, signifying the start to a brand-new year at a brand-new campus.

"The dedication was a true celebration for the community. Not only is the building and construction complete…it also gave Hopi an opportunity to rebuild as a community. While the buildings changed, Hopi remained the same," said attendee and Hopi PTA President Kyle Christensen. "It was the culmination of a lot of healing and accomplishment to see so many community members there that day; faces of Hopi past and present there to celebrate. It was a happy day for Hopi."

Attendees were also welcome to purchase old bricks from the previous campus that were saved by the Restoration Committee of the Hopi PTA. The committee also archived and documented photos of the building and created photo books for purchase. There was also a chance to purchase a brick and have it engraved and installed at the new campus.

"I was honored to be in attendance to feel the past and present converge in harmony. With beautiful Camelback as our backdrop, we were reminded that even though the campus has changed, the grounds of our school remain almost sacred for many Arcadia families," said attendee Heidi Richardson.

"The Hopi roots that grew past students and the Hopi roots that are growing current students are the same. These roots are the teachers and administrators who cultivate our children daily, creating exactly what the 4th/5th grade choir sang in unison that night: "We are the Hawks, the mighty, mighty Hopi Hawks."

After the ceremony, attendees were welcome to take a tour of the new campus and check out all that's new about Hopi.

Construction of the new campus started in November 2017 and was completed in January of this year. Core Construction was at the head of the project. With completion, there is now a full-size gym with six adjustable basketball hoops, a new kitchen and cafeteria, a multi-level amphitheater, three new playground areas, a soccer and baseball field, new drop-off and pick-up lanes to reduce traffic on Lafayette and three new parking lots with added parking spaces.

The original Hopi signage from the front of the previous campus now adorns the library. Brick pavers from the old building are now used as planters around the school as well as adorning the planter for the American flag that is situated near the front office building.

Hopi has also increased security with ornamental fencing, a front office 'lockdown' button and security cameras. There is also new technology in all classrooms such as SMART boards, new FM voice amplification systems and a classroom intercom enabling two-way communication with the office, so if there is a classroom emergency, teachers can press a button to contact the office instead of having to use the phone.

Jagodzinski says most of the students' favorite part of the new campus is the gym, as well as a few other reinvented spaces. "Most classes said that they love their new classrooms, the pods and the new playground…and that the classrooms were inside. One child said how much she loved 'How modern the new school is.' And they all love the water bottle refill stations," Jagodzinski said.

With all the updates at the campus, Jagodzinski expects Hopi will continue as an exciting place to be for staff, parents and students, with events like Java with Mrs. J, Hopi Variety Show, Hawktion and Hullabaloo. "Even though the buildings are new, everything that makes Hopi special will remain the same."

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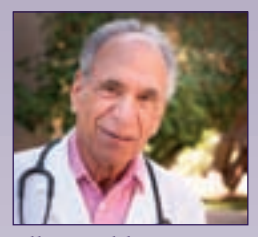
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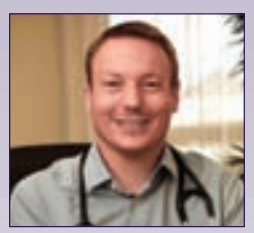


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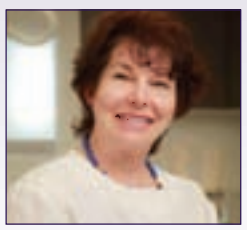

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Some signature Hopi memories preserved

There are bound to be some memories lost to the wrecking ball and bulldozers when a school is razed and rebuilt. At Hopi, the tiles that adorned the campus represent hundreds of memories from families and students reaching back decades. The bulk of the tiles were saved, and are now on display throughout the interior of the buildings. Some of the tiles that were installed into grout and adhered to the auditorium building are being saved for future projects.







Repurposing bricks and signage
The base of the flagpole is crafted from the bricks from the old campus. Hopi's original outdoor signage is now inside the brand-new library.

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WHO'S HUNGRY

The Breakfast Club will open its newest location at Biltmore Fashion Park in the near future. The breakfast shop currently has locations in Old Town and downtown Phoenix serving breakfast favorites such as biscuits and gravy, benedicts and frittatas, plus sandwiches and salads for lunch. Breakfast Club is open until 3 p.m. on the weekends, so you'll have plenty of time to get up and get moving. For more: breakfastclub.us.

VIEWS AND BREWS

A new restaurant concept has replaced Relish Burger Bistro at the Phoenician Golf Resort. The Phoenician Tavern, opening this month, will have pub-style favorites such as burgers and fish and chips, plus sharables and a signature cocktail menu. Open for lunch, dinner and happy hour, this spot will be ready when the game starts or after a round of golf with your buds. "The tavern is the ultimate get-away-from-it-all spot," said The Phoenician's Director of Food and Beverage, Lisa Mercer. For more: thephoeniciantavern.com.

OH, HONEY

California-based Honeymee Ice Cream has opened at Biltmore Fashion Park on Camelback Road, but it's not your typical ice cream – it's topped with raw honey and honeycomb pieces. So not only are you eating a treat, but there's also health benefits. Flavors include traditional, caramel and chocolate. Honeymee also offers tea, coffee and milkshakes plus cheese cream honey tea, which is exactly what it sounds like. Belgian waffles are also available to snack on. Be happy AND healthy. For more: honeymee.com.

PEI WEI RE-GRAND OPENING

The Pei Wei located at 44th St. and E. Indian School Road unveiled its all-new interior remodel in mid-February. The remodel includes new wall graphics, digital menu boards, rustic furniture and modern lighting, and 100 percent reclaimed wood. Guests will also see new uniforms, a new beverage menu and a take-out station for guests who order online or through the mobile app. "The Arcadia community has been extremely supportive of our restaurant, which is one of the reasons we chose to remodel this location," said CEO J. Hedrick.

GIVE ME THE DOUGH

Scoopwell's Dough Bar opened up in early January at the Uptown Plaza on Camelback and Central Ave. After living in New York City for 10 years, the husband and wife team made it back to the Valley of the Sun to provide customers with cookie dough – that's right, gourmet unbaked cookie dough. It's safe to eat because of the heating process. There are multiple flavors and mix-ins, so you can customize the dough to your liking and if you feel like baking it into cookies, you can do that, too. For more: scoopwells.com.

9 TO 5

Arcadia resident Katherine Pappas is the director of newly-launched online career site called Pipeline AZ. The site "focuses on connecting our community of job seekers with local pathways to education or directly to employment that specifically matches personal skills and interests." Clients of Pipeline AZ are connected with other job seekers as well as career counselors, educational institutions and government entities that have similar skillsets. For more or to register: pipelineaz.com.

SMALL BUSINESS WORKSHOP

Throughout March, the city of Scottsdale's Economic Department is hosting a free 10-week Small Business Training Series. Held at ASU SkySong Innovations, the series is available to all existing or aspiring small businesses and entrepreneurs. Each session features guest speakers from local business as well as workshops and resources from Scottsdale Economic Development. The series is held on Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. For more: choosescottsdale.com/grow/small-business-startups.

GET FIT

F45 Gym opened its doors in early February on the corner of 32nd St. just south of Indian School. This is the third center in Arizona. F45 Training combines elements of high-intensity interval training, circuit training and functional training with 31 different "fitness training styles." The workouts and training exercises are coming to Arcadia all the way from Australia, where F45 was founded in 2012. For more: f45training.com.

NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING

Arcadia's 32nd annual Neighborhood Meeting event will be held March 2 at 8:45 a.m. at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 3641 N. 56th St. This meeting is a way for Arcadians to get together and address concerns in the neighborhood with elected officials and city representatives. On deck for this year's meeting is the Camelback Mountain Preserve Park, final design for the 56th Street Improvement Project, re-development of Camel Square, and Arcadia preservation concerns. The 2019 Arcadia Mayoral debate will follow at 11 a.m. For more: acmna.org.

KIDS IN FOCUS EXHIBIT

March 29 marks the grand opening of the latest Kids in Focus exhibit at the Arizona Center, 455 N. 3rd St. in Phoenix. Kids in Focus is a local nonprofit that uses photography to inspire and instill hope in youth who have dealt with backgrounds of poverty, homelessness and abuse. Thirty kids were mentored by 15 local photographers; this exhibit will showcase their work with digital point-and-shoot cameras. Biographies from each photographer will be placed next to their artwork. On opening night, the exhibit is free and open to the public. For more: kidsinfocus.org.

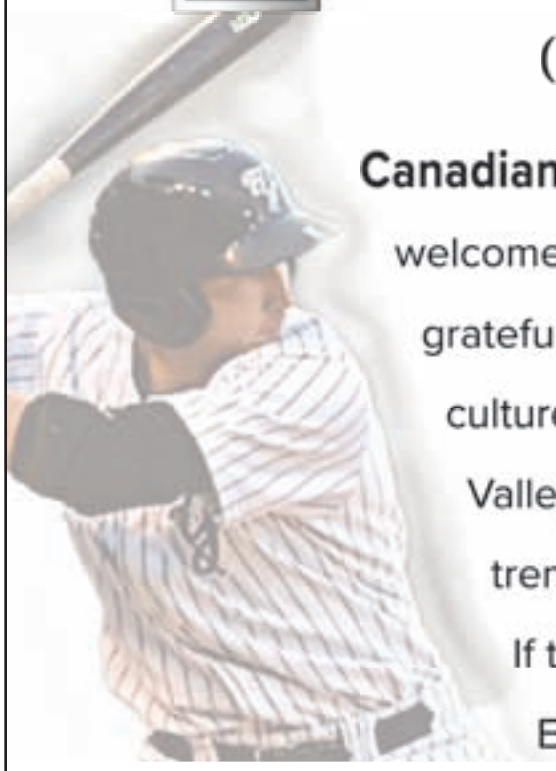
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CLS Robotics Team earns award at First Lego League

By Megan Forrester

The idea of putting together a robot with many working facets and components may sound stressful to some, but for the kids on the robotics team at Christ Lutheran School, it's an exciting endeavor to explore.

This team is a part of the First Lego League, or FLL, whose mission is to build a fully-functioning robot out of Legos. After about a month of constructing, their final product was a robot with a cube shape, including a port in front for different attachments enabling it to do various tasks.

Not only must the team build a robot, but they also must complete a research project regarding a particular theme. This year, the theme was to identify a problem with long-term space exploration and to develop a unique solution with either a prototype or a presentation.

The Christ Lutheran team explored the dilemma of radiation in space and resolved that problem by using a dosimeter and creating a wrist monitor for astronauts to wear to detect radiation.

"Robotics allows young students to develop a passion for several areas of study like problem solving, using areas of STEM, researching, building an authentic product and presenting final results to people, which will help these kids for years to come," said Coach Lotus Kaplan. "When they go out into the workforce, they're going to be a force to be reckoned with."



PHOTO: LOTUS KAPLAN

(from left) Spencer Wright, Amanda Kelly and Carter Wright show off the result of their research project, which involved devising a solution to a problem facing long-term space exploration.

Preparation began in October. The team had to finish both the model robot and the research project in order to qualify for competition, which began in the second half of November. Then, if those qualifying teams win an award, they proceed to the FLL Arizona State Tournament at ASU.

Christ Lutheran made it to the state tournament and competed against 96 other teams. Which was an immense accomplishment in and of itself, since there is only one fourth grader and two middle school students on the team.

"I really had no expectations so I really just enjoyed watching them perform and take ownership in all the areas in which they worked in," said Kaplan. "I was just taking it all in. They amaze me."

Although the team didn't place for its robot, it really shined with its approach to the competition. At the end of the competition, Spencer and Carter Wright and Amanda Kelly earned the Gracious Professionalism Award – also known as the Core Value Award – which reflects the team's ability to work well with others and showcase a positive attitude.

The team not only handed out good luck pieces to other teams, made banners and cheered everybody else on, but they also practiced these core values throughout the building process.

"I do believe that because our kids are coming from a small Christian school that Gracious Professionalism is the exact award they should have gotten because kindness and working with one another is something we practice at CLS every day," Kaplan said.

According to Spencer and Carter, the atmosphere at the state competition and the ability to talk to students their own age with the same passion of robotics was by far their favorite part.

"It was exciting and everybody was happy. Everybody talked to each other and it was really fun in general," said Carter, a fourth grader.

Spencer said that robotics can be really stressful, but if you are interested in STEM and want to continue to develop those skills in an encouraging and friendly environment, then robotics might be exactly what you need. "If you like Legos, programming and learning about research stuff, and if you combine it all together, that's what you do in robotics," said Spencer, who is in the seventh grade. "It's just a really great thing all around."



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Art One, Sal Cosenza raise funds for Autism Academy

By Anthony Wallace

This past November, Art One Gallery in Old Town Scottsdale celebrated its 25th anniversary. For the entirety of its existence, the gallery has shown and sold the work of students and local artists to support its community.

Its recent collaboration with New York-based painter Sal Cosenza and the Autism Academy is a perfect illustration of the payoff of its commitment to Arizona's burgeoning artists.

Cosenza first came into contact with Art One 13 years ago, when he was a local high school student. Since these humble beginnings, he has gone on to sell dozens of paintings across the country and become an architectural designer of large-scale buildings in New York City.

As he focuses on architecture and becomes more aware of the problems our world faces, Cosenza has begun to see his art as a way to bring positivity into the world.

"The news is just bad and getting worse," Cosenza said. "Whatever your creative outlet is, whatever we hold dear as a way to express ourselves, I think now is the time to get it out there and do some good with it in some way, on any scale."

The gallery has consistently supported his art, so when he felt the urge to do something more philanthropic with his painting, he knew Art One was the place to go. About two years ago, Cosenza reached out to Art One and soon a plan was devised for Cosenza to create a painting that would be donated to the Autism Academy, along with all the proceeds it generates.

The Autism Academy provides individually tailored K-12 grade academic programs and allows students to attend the school until they are 21.

According to Amy Floyd, the art teacher at the school's Tempe campus, art is so critical for students with autism because for many it can be their best way of communicating. "A lot of our kids have a hard time communicating with words," Floyd said. "I have a lot of students who are nonverbal or have trouble looking you in the face."

"When you give them their instructions for their artwork and put it in front of them, it's amazing to see their hyper-focus and how they get lost in their artwork and communicate what they want to say to us," Floyd said. "We've learned a lot about who they are just by looking at their art. Some of them have some really amazing hidden talents that you would never suspect from them until you put the stuff in front of them."

The school is home to some artistically talented students. In 2014, Autism Academy partnered with Art One and the students' artwork has proven to be popular with customers. All of the proceeds from students' work go right back to the school to support the art program.



*Sal Cosenza's 6 foot wide painting entitled "*Out of the Darkness, Into the Light."

The gallery is selling prints of Cosenza's painting for $30 each and the funds raised from them are going towards the purchase of four new 3D printers for the Academy.

The painting depicts three adventuring children sailing a ship with the Autism Academy's logo and encountering an island and foreign ship that will determine their uncertain fate.

The original painting was displayed at the gallery in January and has recently moved to its permanent home at the Autism Academy where Cosenza hopes it inspires students like they inspire him.

"I think what Amy is doing with them is opening up their minds. I thought, what are these young kids doing when they create art? They're setting sail," Cosenza said. "This is a painting about life in general. It's the idea of mystery, danger, the daunting task of setting sail and doing something."

For more: artonegalleryinc.com.



Arcadians invited to Flo Crit's Teaming Up for Girls Luncheon

By Elaina Verhoff

On March 21, the Florence Crittenton program will host its 17th Annual Teaming Up for Girls Luncheon at The Phoenician. This year's event is co-chaired by Latasha Causey and Arcadia's own Jenny Holsman Tetreault.

Tetreault, who serves as legal counsel at US Foods, first learned about Florence Crittenton (a.k.a. Flo Crit) and its mission to support healing at-risk and disadvantaged girls when touring the organization through a Valley Leadership program.

"The mission of Florence Crittenton is to give every girl whose life we touch safety, hope and opportunity," says Tetreault, who in addition to co-chairing this year's luncheon also serves on the Florence Crittenton board of directors. "This mission is supported by a vision to be the national leader in changing the future for girls... with a mission and vision like this, how could I not be compelled to serve?"

As one of the biggest fundraisers in town, the annual Teaming Up for Girls Luncheon brings more than 800 business leaders and community members together to support the organization's mission. Cheryl Burke, professional dancer from the hit TV show "Dancing with the Stars," will serve as this year's keynote speaker.

> *"This mission is supported by a vision to be the national leader in changing the future for girls..."*

Longstanding community champion and co-chair of Florence Crittenton, Tahnia McKeever, will also be recognized at the luncheon as the recipient of the Visionary Award, and an as-yet unnamed Hope Award recipient will also be honored.

Proceeds from the luncheon will benefit programs and services for individuals struggling to overcome challenges caused by poverty, abuse, neglect, crime, homelessness, victimization and violence. Florence Crittenton also runs Arizona's first and only public single-gender college preparatory school, the Girls Leadership Academy of Arizona (GLAAZ), a charter high school that is provided free of charge to its students.

Tetreault wants to encourage Arcadians to get involved with Florence Crittenton.

"First, we would love to have men and women from the Arcadia area join us at the Teaming Up for Girls Luncheon," she said. "Beyond that, Florence Crittenton is looking for mentors, inspirational speakers, tutors, administrative aides and volunteers at Flo's on 7th (resale shop). We would also welcome individuals to visit the campus for a special tour to find out about the agency, our mission and how to best become engaged."

Learn more about Florence Crittenton at flocrit.org.

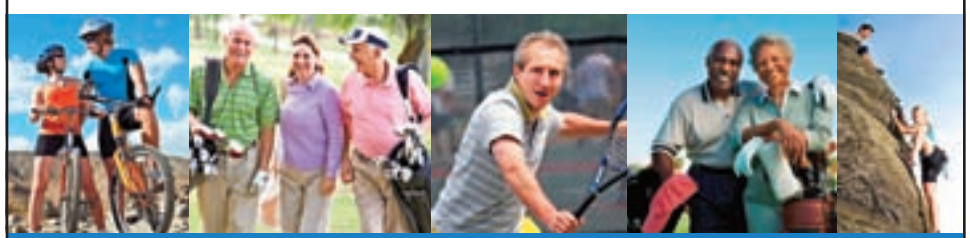


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Arcadian Jenny Holsman Tetreault serves on the board of directors at Florence Crittenton and will co-chair this year's luncheon.



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Farmers Markets: Your source for everything fresh and local

By Jennifer Marshall

These days, folks are always on the lookout for products free of dangerous pesticides, hormones, antibiotics and other toxins. Luckily, the Arcadia/Phoenix area is blessed with a bounty of outstanding farmers markets stocked with items that are good for you and good for the earth too.

Grab your shopping list and visit these markets soon.

THE CAMELBACK FARMERS MARKET

3930 E. Camelback Road
Vincentsoncamelback.com/market

The Camelback Farmers Market takes place at Vincent's Restaurant. This Europe-inspired market is open on Saturdays from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. in October to May. All the delicious fun takes place in the parking lot. While shopping, satisfy your appetite with these favorites: omelets, crepes, panini sandwiches, smoked salmon quesadillas, wood-fired pizza and seafood paella.

OLD TOWN SCOTTSDALE FARMERS MARKET

3806 N. Brown Ave.
Arizonafarmersmarkets.com

Located in Old Town Scottsdale across from The Mission restaurant, the market is open Saturdays during October through May from 7 – 11 a.m. This farmers market is known for being a purveyor of the freshest seasonal items such as apples, cider, tamales and flowers. Come enjoy a beautiful, relaxing morning wandering around this farmers market.

CENTRAL FARMERS MARKET

7901 N. Central Ave.
Centralfarmersmarket.com

Open on Wednesday evenings from 5 p.m. until dark, this market is a fundraiser for its sponsor, CrossRoads United Methodist Church. It is packed full of goodies with more than 25 vendors representing categories such as food, plants, kitchen, health and wellness. For arts and crafts lovers, it features five unique artists every week who showcase their handmade creations.

UPTOWN FARMERS MARKET

5757 N. Central Ave.
Uptownmarketaz.com

North Phoenix Baptist Church hosts this market. It is open Wednesdays and Saturdays throughout the year and it moves inside during the summer months. From October through April it's open 8 a.m. – 1 p.m. on Saturdays and 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. on Wednesdays. From May through September it's open 8 a.m. – noon on Saturdays and Wednesdays. Uptown Farmers Market offers cooking demonstrations from local chefs to teach people how to cook and eat healthy. After purchasing all your fresh veggies, stop by the "Veggie Valet" and they'll cut and prepare them for you.

THE BROKERY'S FARMERS MARKET

4546 N. 40th St.
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If you don't love your job, it's time to break up

CAREER *ADVICE*

By Angela Copeland



I hope everyone enjoyed Valentine's Day last month. Each year, I write a column about why it's important to love your job. This year, let's look at it another way. If you don't love your job, it's time to break it off. It's time to end that toxic eight hours per day relationship. You wouldn't put up with it in a romantic partner. Why are you putting up with it at work?

I know, it's hard to do. Your job has been so reliable. It's stable. You don't want to be left in the cold with no work. But are you really happy? Does your job put you first? Or is your job like a partner who's draining your mind and your wallet?



You spend too much time with your job not to love it. In fact, you may spend more time with your job than with your spouse.

If you're having cold feet about your job, this is the time to make a change. And by "this is the time," I mean right this minute. The job market is the best that it's been in an entire generation. Economists say that it hasn't been this great since the late 1960s. New jobs are showing up every day on the internet.

You've probably heard the old saying: "People don't quit companies, they quit bosses." It's true. If you don't love your company or your boss, do yourself a favor. Look and see what's new in your job field. You may be surprised.

Make a list of all the things you want in a job. What would make you really love your work? Do you want to work for a great boss? On a great team? Do you want to work on a product that you can get behind? Are you looking for a company with integrity?

Write down your goal list and start looking for it. What you're hoping for is out there. Don't stay committed to a company that's not committed to you. Look for something better, something more fulfilling. Make your happiness at work a priority.

Breaking up with your job isn't as hard as it sounds. The first rule is don't tell anyone until you've secured a new job. Once you've found a new job, wait until you've accepted it in writing to tell your company. Start with your boss. Thank them for the opportunity and let them know you've found something new. Give at least two weeks' notice, but not more than four. Things can get stressful if you give too much notice. After you've shared your news verbally, confirm it in an email to your boss. And come up with a plan about how and when you'll share the great news with the larger team.

Before long, the breakup will be complete. And you'll be off to a bigger and better opportunity that you love.

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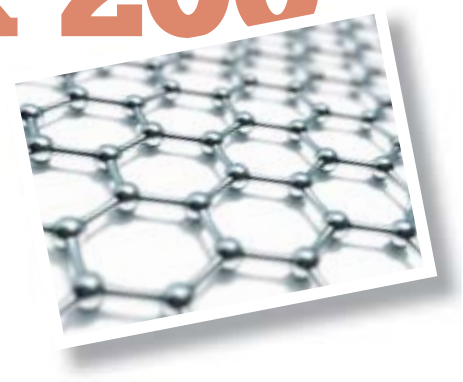
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The longest rubber band chain measures over two miles long at 10,855.60 ft and was created by Pavitra Patro of India on May 31, 2016. This is about the same as eight laps around Arcadia High School's track.

HOW STRONG?

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The scientific community once declared rubber useless because it was gummy in the summer, stiff in the winter, and it rapidly deteriorated.



An average rubber tree (*ficus elastica*) yields 19 pounds of rubber latex annually.

Rubber bands release heat energy when stretched, but absorb heat energy when retracted.



Rubber strips, similar to rubber bands, were first made by the Mayans, Aztecs and other Mesoamericans thousands of years ago.



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RED RUBBER BANDS EVERYWHERE

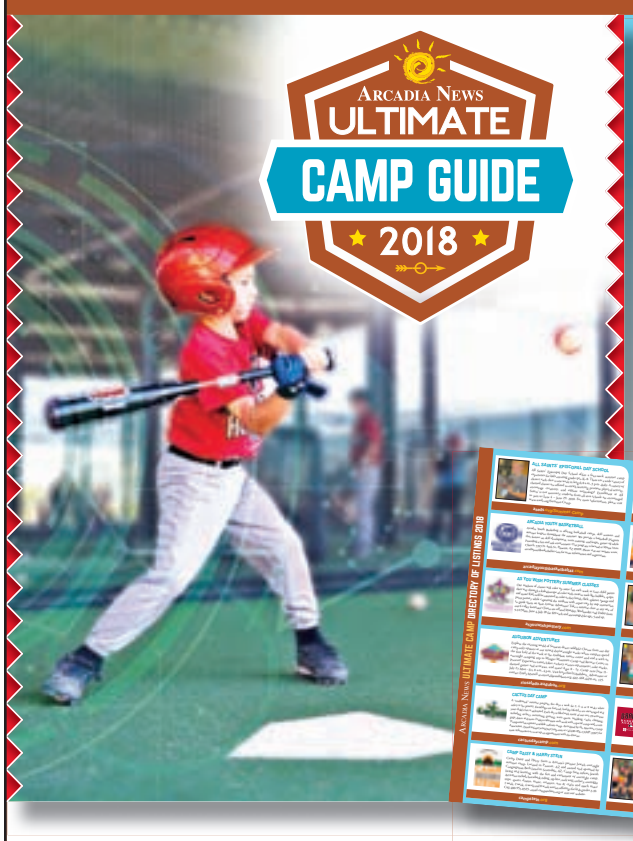
In Britain, the use of rubber bands by Britain's Royal Mail postal service has caused significant media attention in the country. This is due to the large quantity of elastic bands found discarded on the ground every day. Because of this they changed the bands from brown to red, to make them more visible, and therefore more likely to be picked up by postal workers.

RUBBER BAND SEARCH

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Get your yogurt: now with more plywood

By Cody Kennedy

If you've driven past Zoyo Neighborhood Yogurt on 56th Street and Indian School Road in the past couple of months, you might have noticed the front of the store looks a little different.

In mid-January on a rainy evening, a car that was pulling into a spot in front of the store continued on and crashed into the shop, collapsing the window and the door – and this called for a quick fix. The manager on duty put a piece of plywood up as an impromptu wall. Fortunately, there were only a few people in the shop at the time and no one was hurt.



PHOTO: ROBERT SCHILLER

After an SUV crashed into the store, Zoyo Yogurt reached out to Veritas Prep's Ben Van Holland to created a mural that would jazz up the plywood while repairs were taking place.

Not so luckily, repairs were estimated out at four to six weeks, so the plywood would have to stay.

"I was talking with a friend that suggested getting a hold of Ben Van Holland about doing something cool with the plywood being used as a temporary wall. I was going to just hang a banner that stated we were open," said Robert Schiller, CEO of Zoyo.

Mr. Van Holland is an art teacher at Veritas Prep. He jumped at the chance to help out his friend and help improve the front of the store.

"The temporary plywood wall and plain door were not very inviting and it was unclear if Zoyo was even open. I saw it as an opportunity to try something new, as I had never done a spray paint mural before," Ben said.

Ben, along with Robert and friends Fallon and Chris Liles of Gather Projects, used spray paint with the colors from the Zoyo brand to make a new scene for the temporary wall. He painted a cup of yogurt and a notice that reads "now with more plywood."

"I wanted to make a fun background and tried to embrace the situation with a 'plywood flavored' cup of Zoyo," Ben said.

Ben started working on the mural at 5 p.m. and finished at 1 a.m. Chris and Fallon kept him company with food, coffee and music.

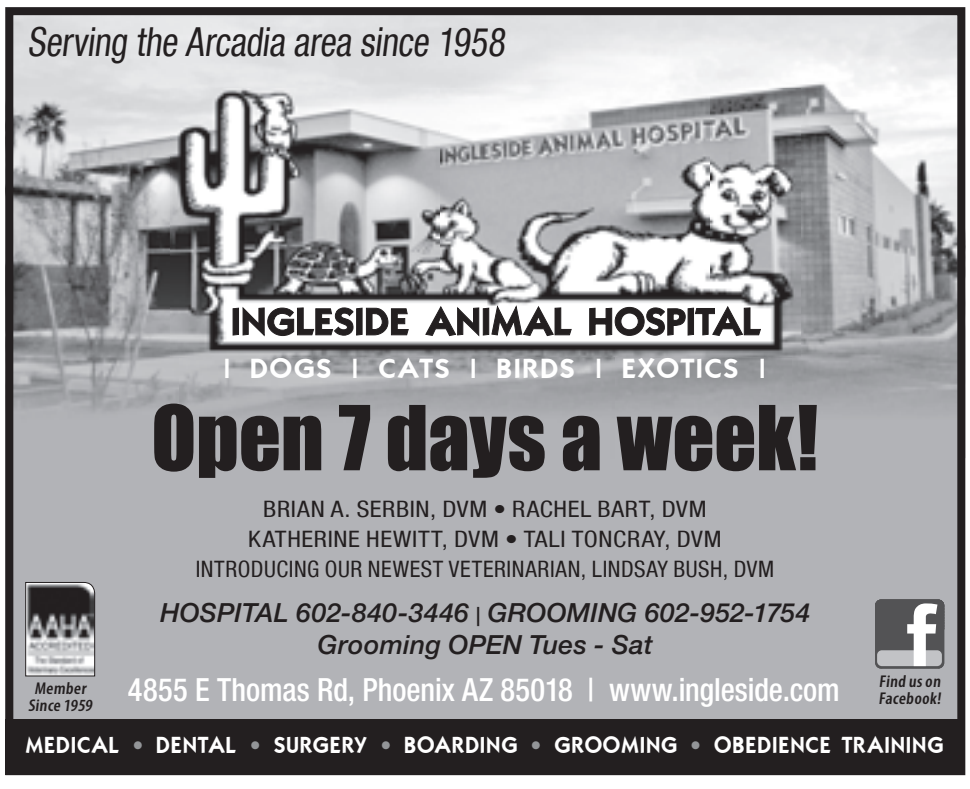
"They hung out with me until it was done and helped me with the painting. They are dear friends and really made the last push to finish a lot of fun," Ben said.

Once the new storefront was up, photos of the mural were put in the store as instore media with a story about it. The media loops and plays continuously. The physical sign will be put on wheels and utilized as a store sign in the future.

"We took pictures and will keep them in the store forever because people really loved the mural. Hundreds of kids signed the inside of the plywood, which was really cool," Robert said.

Mr. Van Holland is in his fourth year of teaching at Veritas and the Zoyo mural is his first (and hopefully not last) piece of public work.





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By Cody Kennedy

Named after the famous Valley auto tycoon, the Lou Grubb Clubhouse at Papago Golf Course has more than just its moniker to brag about. There are the gorgeous views of the Papago Buttes. It's one of the area's most popular golf courses. And now, bragging rights can be extended to Lou's Bar and Grill, opened in September 2018.

Located in the middle of the clubhouse, Lou's Bar and Grill has an open floor plan, with exposed ceilings and garage and sliding doors leading to the patio seating and beyond to the golf course. I arrived on a sunny Friday afternoon, with golfing in full swing (pun intended) and patrons sitting down to grub (pun also intended) at the low and high-top tables. There is also full-service bar seating.

Open for breakfast, lunch and dinner, Lou's has more than your typical clubhouse burgers and sandwiches. For the early risers, dishes consist of classics such as the breakfast sandwich and steel cut oatmeal. There are also specialties such as the cinnamon brioche swirl French toast or the corned beef and potato pancakes eggs benedict.

For lunch, I started off with the truffle deviled eggs and the poutine dish, which consists of thick-cut Kennebec fries smothered in gravy, maple bacon, pickled onion and cheese curds. The deviled eggs were a whipped and creamy delight. The Poutine was a dense pile of deliciousness that is best shared.

The Miso BBQ Pulled Pork sandwich was piled high, including apple slaw and topped with a fried egg.

The tang of the BBQ paired nicely with the slaw and the fried egg was a well thought-out addition. If you're like me and you enjoy spicy dishes, try adding some jalapeños to the sandwich. Some dishes are served either on metal trays – think grown-up cafeteria tray, or in ceramic bowls with mini "pails" for the fries.

Clubhouse classics such as the Rueben, French dip and flat-top burger are also available, as well as 12" pizza options such as the "short rib" with mushrooms, onions, oregano and alfredo sauce or the "date night" topped with salami, caramelized onions, goat cheese, spinach and dates. There are also salads and big dishes offered for lunch and dinner.

For the supper-time guests, Lou's offers seafood dishes such as the cornmeal dusted ruby red trout with almond brown butter, wild grains and roasted seasonal vegetables for the side or the mahi-mahi tacos with cotija cheese, shaved cabbage, salsa, a flour and corn blend tortilla and white beans.

Lou's also offers a happy hour from Monday to Friday, 3 – 6 p.m. Guests can enjoy snacks including boneless wings, pork belly bao buns or herb and parmesan potato chips and dip. Drink specials include the frozen Evie-Rita, named after Lou's wife, or the 1945 Long Island. There is a wide range of beers and spirits available, with eight draught options and "custom" and "vintage" cocktails to wet your whistle.

For those on the go, Lou's has a walk-up window where guests and golfers can order quick bites such as the breakfast sandwich, hot dogs or a chicken Caesar salad. On Thursday nights, Lou's offers live music from 4:30 – 7:30.





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AHS Softball sets sights on big season

By Rachael Bouley

Determination and dedication are driving the Titans toward state softball glory. The members of the Arcadia High School varsity softball team have their minds set on repeating last season, where they finished ranked No. 1 and made it all the way to the final four.

Head Coach Jason Foster and his players are hoping to pick up where they left off, carrying that momentum forward as they start fresh with a new team after bidding farewell to eight graduating seniors, six of them four-year starters. The departure of these teammates was bittersweet, as it's opened the doors for some younger players to step up to the plate and tackle a new challenge.

Overall, the reigning region champs are feeling confident about the season ahead.

Foster said that despite moving down divisions this year, the schedule may be even tougher. "We will still continue to play at a high level and compete for a region championship and eventually the state playoffs," Foster said.

The Titans will rely on veteran players including senior pitchers Ellie Richardson and Jade Ng to fill the shoes of last year's seniors and lead the younger players on the journey toward a state championship. Foster said that while there may be younger players at new positions, practice and development will play a crucial role and allow the team to come together nicely.

"Senior catcher Jordyn Pender and junior infielder Keeley Yeager are eager to build upon their tremendous performances from last season," Foster said. "Both had outstanding years at the plate and will be needed to allow the Titans to be successful."

Other keys to winning are solid and consistent defense, which was one of the team's main strengths last season.

"There are going to be some holes to fill, but our young players are up for the task," Foster added. "Our hard work and practice should take us far this season."

As the team's star catcher, Jordyn is ready to tackle the new season, new division and the new team lineup. She's proud of how much they accomplished last season, beating their rival team and winning the region and she's ready for a repeat. "I hope to win our region again and just have fun while doing it," Jordyn said. "The environment is always fun, as we bond well and have good chemistry."



In 2018 the Titans ranked No. 1 and made it to the final four. This year Jordyn Pender and Ellie Richardson plan on taking their team back to the top.

The team will benefit from having several natural leaders. Ellie will help guide the younger players as she strives to deliver more standout pitching performances. She says her goals this season are to remain positive and work her hardest each and every day. "I'm looking forward to being a leader and building stronger relationships with all of the girls," Ellie said.

While she holds the memories of last season close to her heart, she's looking toward the future now, and she said she's committed to strengthening a supportive team dynamic with the new players.

"Our major strengths this season will be our team spirit, our undying determination and our phenomenal coaching staff. Every player has unique talents on and off the field, making each girl an integral part of the team."

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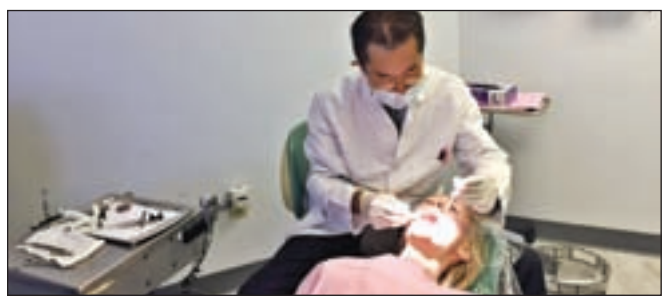
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By Rachael Bouley



Briana McKnight

A local student athlete who is leaving a lasting impression on her school community has also earned a special award for her efforts on the volleyball court and her character off the court.

Briana McKnight, a junior at Xavier, was recently named a 2019 Touching Hearts Through Athletics award recipient. She's one of 13 recipients across Arizona to receive the honor this year, which recognizes student athletes of outstanding character, sportsmanship and community service.

The award has its roots in Denver, Colorado, back in 2002 when founder Gary Isaac started serving as a guest coach for a girls' basketball team. He acquired the name he's known by – "Coach Grandpa" – after making it up on the fly when he was asked his name by a parent during a practice. And, like his passion for recognizing student athletes who give their all on and off the court, the name stuck.

Since those early days, Isaac says Touching Hearts Through Athletics has awarded more than 400 athletes at 200 schools across the United States.

Briana fits the mold perfectly.

She has helped lead her team to back-to-back AIA state championships. She has also served as a team captain, driving her teammates to remain focused during their run to a second state title.

She's the first Xavier student to receive this award, and her coach, Lamar-Renee Bryant, says it's easy to see why she was chosen. "Briana is an outgoing young lady who works extremely hard," Bryant said. "She's a leader on the court, athletically gifted and very thoughtful and kind to her teammates."

In addition to chasing state championships, Briana has also worked hard to give back to her community. She put in volunteer hours at Xavier's summer volleyball camps and she's also enthusiastic about volunteering with the Ronald McDonald House along with a few of her teammates.

Briana has committed to play college volleyball at the University of California Santa Barbara after graduating from Xavier in the class of 2020.

Regardless of the results on the court, Briana will always carry the memory of this award, a surprise for the dedicated student athlete.

"I feel so honored and blessed to be recognized with the Touching Hearts Through Athletics Award," Briana said. "I try to make a difference in the lives of those around me by bringing out their confidence. Confidence has helped me get to where I am today."



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Friday night lights: The Veritas Falcons beat the Paradise Honors (Surprise, AZ) 3-1.

Veritas soccer scores 5th title

By Mallory Gleich

The boys middle school soccer team at Veritas Prep has shown that hard work and dedication pay off as they add another state championship title to their list of accomplishments. This is the 5th title for Coach Kevin Kinerk and his team of fifth graders.

Kinerk moved to the Arcadia area six years ago and was asked to coach the soccer team when his son Beck was in 6th grade. He had previous soccer coaching experience with St. Francis Sports League. He attributes his five wins to the demographics of Arcadia and a local interest in club soccer.

"The location of Veritas lends itself to many families that embrace and support club soccer players. We have benefited from that influx…I love coaching my kids, and seeing them play with their school friends. I also like keeping it light and fun and being 'one of the fellas'," Kinerk said.

The soccer season started in late October and concluded in early February. This year's team had 20 players.

"I think for many of them it is fun to play with your school friends and come together as a team… it's great to see them work toward a successful final goal," Kinerk said.

Along with traditional practices, the team also plays *futsal*, which is a Brazilian indoor soccer game that focuses on keeping the ball on the ground and learning quick passing between players. One of their pre-game rituals is to take turns counting down the team with a "go Falcons" cheer, which Kinerk said gets the team amped up and ready to play.

Kinerk said that this year's playoff competition had increased, so the kids felt great to be in first place.

"They love playing together, making quick passes and great finishes. We have many great players that make it beautiful to watch at times," Kinerk said.

The final championship has been held at Chandler Prep in Chandler for the past three years. The team celebrates at the Barro's Pizza located across the street.

"We have taken over [Barro's] now for three years – each one a victory. There are many selfies taken with the trophy," Kinerk said.

After coaching at Veritas for the past seven years, Kinerk plans on handing over the reins after next year and possibly going on to coach at the high school level.

Congratulations on your win, Falcons!



Shannon Shields wins Arizona Gatorade Player of the Year

By Jennifer Marshall

In January 2019, The Gatorade Company selected volleyball player Shannon Shields, a senior at Xavier, as its Arizona Gatorade Player of the Year for the 2018-2019 school year.

Gatorade chose the best female high school volleyball player in each state and the District of Columbia. For nearly 35 years, this award has been highlighting and celebrating excellence in the trilogy of athletics, academics and character.

"The Gatorade Award is for the overall best player in the state," said Shannon, "who earns good grades, who leads the team and who does some form of community service."

According to a press release issued by Gatorade in January: "Shields has maintained a weighted 3.87 GPA in the classroom." A further endorsement to her academic achievements, the term 'weighted' used here indicates consideration was given to honors and AP classes she completed.

"Shannon is one of the best," said Coach Lamar-Renee Bryant. "She's a setter, she's left-handed and she's an attacking center. Shannon has demonstrated academic and athletic excellence leading the way to two state championships. She's a real talent."



PHOTO: MARK JONES

Since freshman year, Shannon has led her team to victory while maintaining a 3.87 GPA and helping with multiple volunteering projects.

Xavier has three separate volleyball teams, frosh, JV and varsity, and Shannon has played on Varsity since her freshman year. During her junior and senior years, she served as team captain, and for the last two consecutive years, she's led her team to victory by helping them to win two Conference 6A State Championships.

With Shannon driving the Xavier team, it closed out its fall 2018 season with a winning record of 33-9 and Gatorade reports: "Shields amassed 974 assists and 401 digs to go with 143 kills, 49 service aces and 39 blocks this past season. She concluded her prep volleyball career with 3,704 assists, 1,172 digs and 519 kills."

Outside of the classroom and volleyball court, Shannon uses her time and energy to support and lead others. While at Xavier, she's served on the student council. She has given help to the less fortunate at Kitchen on the Street, a faith-based community program whose mission is to eliminate local hunger by offering food assistance programs to children in Phoenix. She and her mother are also involved with the National Charity League.

"Xavier is really proud of Shannon," said Sister Lynn Winsor, BVM, CMAA vice-principal for activities and athletic director. "She's really an outstanding student athlete. We're really excited about her winning, and we have also nominated her for the Arizona Interscholastic Association Student Athlete Award."

This fall, Shannon will attend the University of Louisville where she's earned a volleyball scholarship.

"We're really going to miss her," said Bryant, "but we know Louisville is going to have a great spot for her, and she's going to have a great college career. She's definitely prepared for greatness at Louisville."

"I'd like to go pro after college to lengthen my career," Shannon said. "We'll see how that goes. I'd love to be on the Olympic Team, I've got to keep working and keep getting better."

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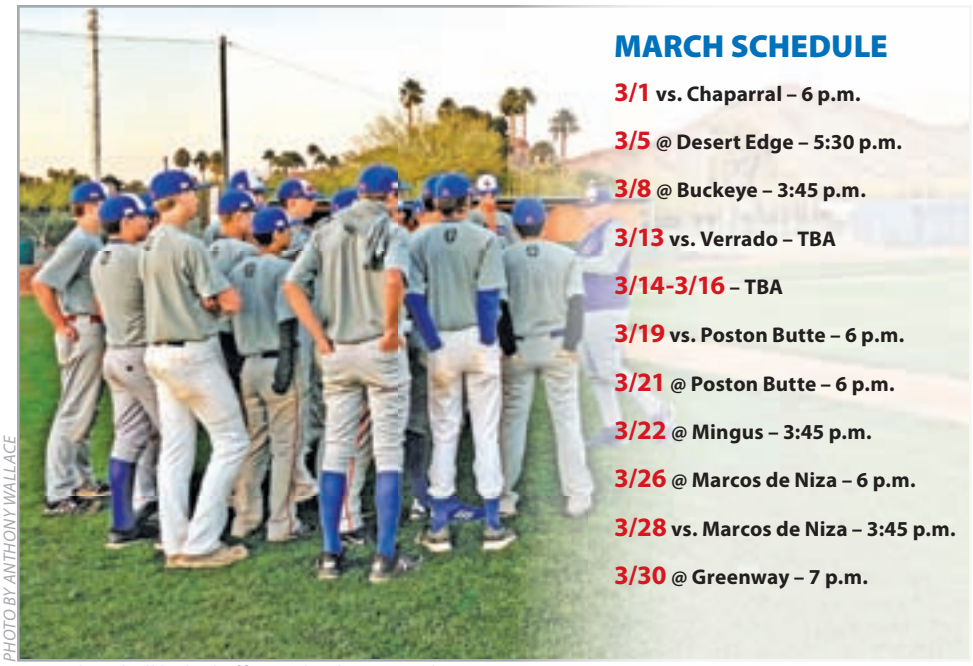


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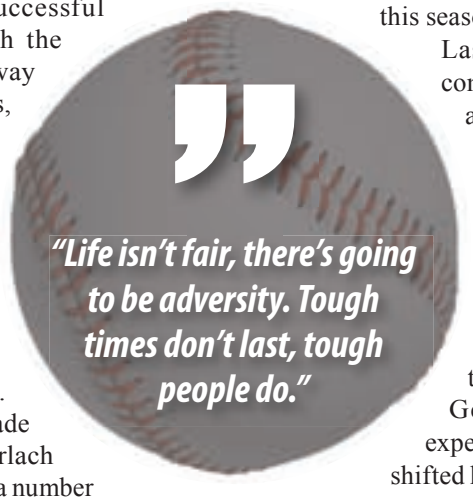
Titans baseball ready to exorcise demon of 2018 season

By Anthony Wallace

This year, Coach Troy Gerlach is instituting a new ritual he picked up from his time with the gold medal-winning USA 15U baseball team this past summer. After each practice, every team member takes off his shoes and scrubs them down. It's a literal and metaphorical cleansing. "We're scrubbing away what we did today," Gerlach said.

This is an important theme for this year's Arcadia High School baseball team as it attempts to put a disappointing 2018 season in the past.

After a highly successful 2017 season in which the Titans went all the way to the state semi-finals, expectations for last year's team were high. Unfortunately, those went unfulfilled.



The 2017 team, which went 22-10 overall, was led by 12 seniors who left a void upon graduating. Additional injuries made things worse and Gerlach found himself starting a number of inexperienced underclassmen, including three freshmen. The team finished 7-19 in 2018.

Despite that record, Gerlach is proud of how his team handled the setbacks. "Our record didn't show it, but we did a really good job last year. We improved. They got better," Gerlach said. "Like I told them, 'Life isn't fair, there's going to be adversity. Tough times don't last, tough people do.'"

Unlike last year, this year's team returns a host of starters. The entire pitching staff returns as well as a number of position players. One of those returning pitchers, senior Jake Evans, says that this year already feels different than last. "As a team, we needed to improve our communication, culture and comradery," Jake said. "There were a lot of freshmen last year and there was a separation. We know each other better now. It's family this year."

Senior shortstop James Kent sees last season as a motivator. "We're playing with a chip on our shoulder, playing with an edge, not letting what happened last year happen again," James said.

Poor fielding and a bad habit of leaving runners on base hurt the Titans last season. Gerlach sees these issues as directly related to the team's inexperience and he expects both to be improved upon radically this season.

Last season, the team committed 77 errors, an average of three per game.

The young players will undoubtedly benefit from another year of growth and practice, but in addition to these more tangible improvements, Gerlach feels their experience last season has shifted his team's mindset in a valuable way.

"They're not afraid to fail now," Gerlach said. "You can't be afraid to fail in baseball because you fail so often. That's one thing I've seen, if I'm getting on them about something, they listen and then they move on. They're not afraid."

Jake and James both expressed their gratitude for the lessons Gerlach has imparted on them. "He teaches us more than baseball," James said. "He's an inspiration. He's taught us to be comfortable in uncomfortable situations."

These sound like players who have gained some wisdom and are poised to lead their team in a successful 2019. The Titans feel like they've paid their dues and now they are ready to win.

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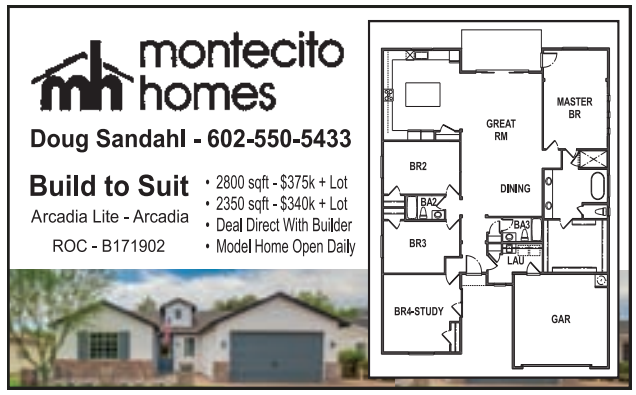
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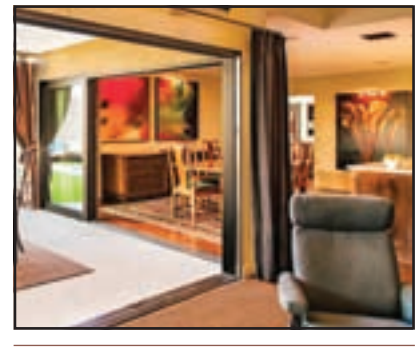
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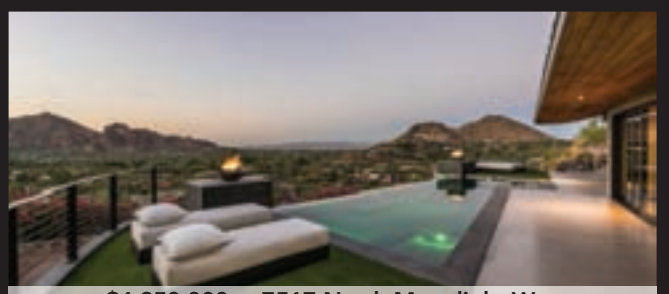


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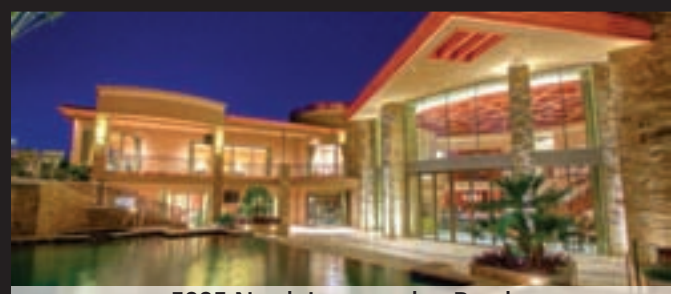
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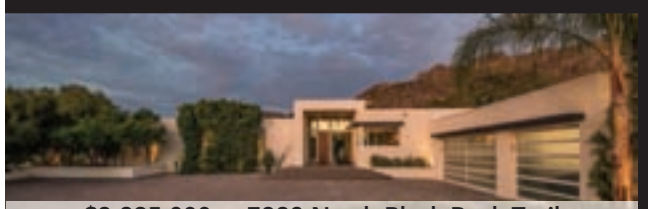
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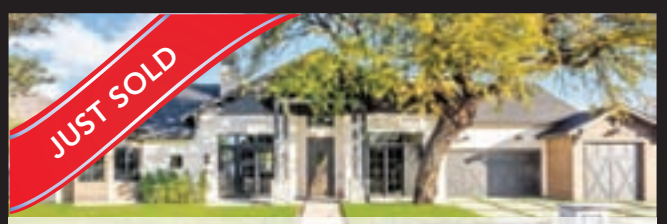
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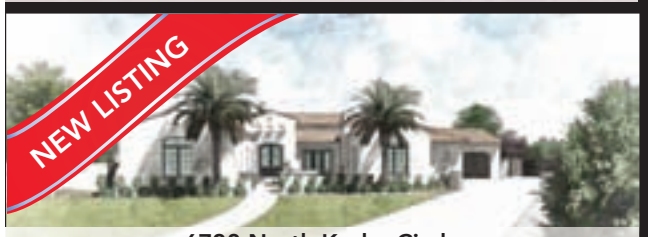
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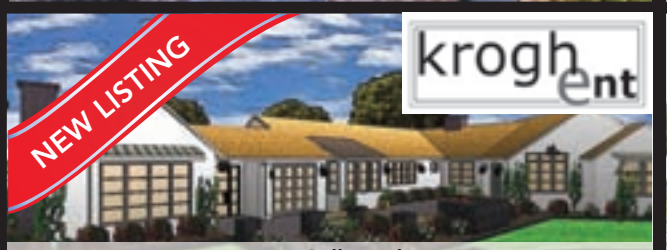
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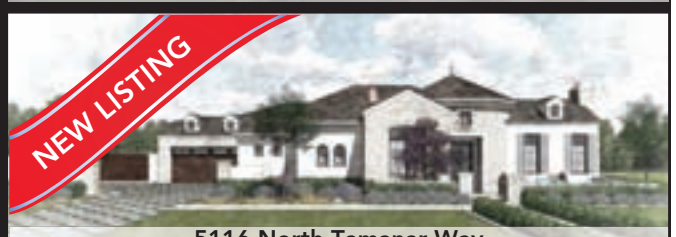
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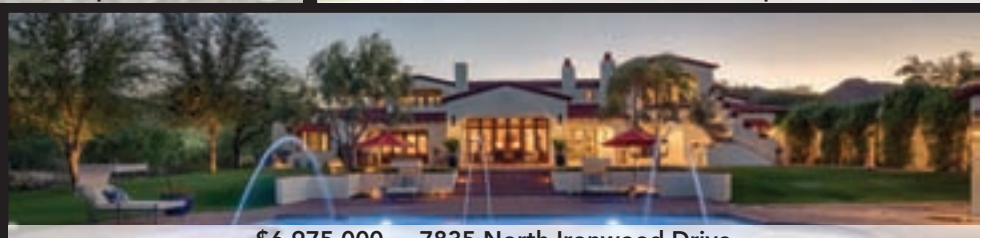


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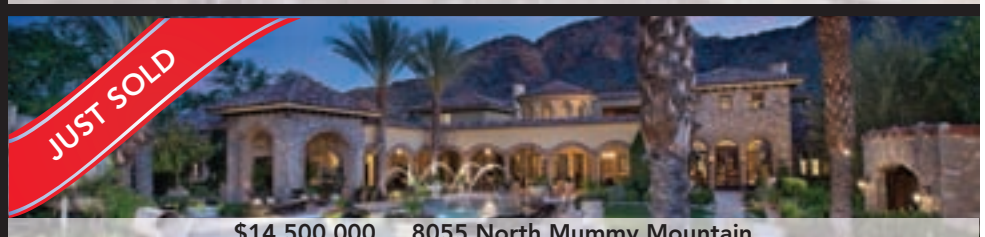
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